

# TAMBO RAMBLER

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## Christmas Fair comes early



Local CFA members were on hand to promote their activities and encourage volunteers to join up for either active or auxiliary roles.

Christmas came early to Bruthen as the market brought makers and artists from around the region to sell their goods.

Quick Pics Photography were there taking festive family photos, along with Bruthen's very own life sized Elf on the Shelf, handing out lolly bags to the young and young at heart. Facepainting with Pixie Violet was a hit with the littlies. Lunch was a delectable selection of squid and chips from the Travelling Squid, ice creams from Melting Moments, gluten free yummy donuts from OMG Donuts and mini pancakes from the Poffertjes van.

Was a wonderful day. Merry Christmas!



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.



# Bruthen Senior Citizens celebrate

We all gathered at the Bruthen Bowls for lunch on the first Wednesday and enjoyed soup and Tuna bake from the freezer. A BBQ at Playgrounds was enjoyed by a group in perfect weather on the following Wednesday - warm enough for a swim! The third Wednesday was going to be at the RSL Lakes Entrance but due to a small fire in their kitchen we took ourselves off to the Kalimna Hotel. The new owners and lots of renovations resulted in a great lunch. We celebrated Jess's 94th birthday, quite a milestone.

The following week saw a trip to Moscow Villa, Bentley Plains and lots of fog. This was followed by a drive to explore Cassilis.

We also made a trip to the Bairnsdale races on Cup Day.

Our final lunch of the year will be on December 6 at the Nicholson Hotel. Hope everyone can make it. 2024 will see some exciting changes with a swim/exercise programme to start and other excursions planned.

Merry Christmas to all and hope you enjoy time with friends and family.

See more pics on Page 19

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# Bruthen Hall all jazzed up

We may not have got as many people as we expected for the hall open day and Jazz afternoon but we did get a good crowd of jazz fans who loved the music, the food and the venue. The hall looked fresh and inviting with a new coat of paint and swish kitchen. The Arts and Events team added their magic touch and it looked great.

Fat'azz were very entertaining keeping the audience engaged all afternoon with a lot of people getting up to dance at the end of the evening. Of course no-one wanted it to end when the time came for them to pack up. The band loved Bruthen too and plan to be back sometime.

The food by Rinaldo was especially popular with many positive comments received. The Italian inspired feast was served with great theatrics, which you had to be there to appreciate.

The kids craft corner looked exciting but we needed more kids.

Overall it was not the community gathering that we had planned for but none the less it was a very successful day.

Grants from Regional Arts Victoria and East Gippsland Community Foundation funded this community event.

**Joy Manley**





# Craig Terrill – Metal Artist

Craig Terrill is a fourth generation Tambo Upper resident, his grandfather having gone to Tambo Upper Primary in the early days of the school.

Craig started life as a welder, changed trades and 30 years later returned to welding as an art form, creating large scale outdoor sculptures.

Craig's imagination is colourful and well expressed in a variety of forms: you may have seen his wonderful dragon which he showcased at this year's Bruthen Medieval Festival. His works range from a large-scale spinning wind feature made from recycled fishing cable with rotation lights, to beautiful butterflies and dragonflies using colourful glass beads, all of which light up at night. The dragonfly and a butterfly enhance the entrance to

his property.

Craig is currently working on a large-scale scorpion using sheet metal and rod. Craig doesn't sell his works, they just decorate his extensive garden.

Hopefully you will be able to enjoy his work in the central gardens at the Eat Drink & Explore Festival which, is being held in the Bruthen Village next year on January 27.

The day plans to be one not to be missed, with several local upmarket food and drink outlets supplying yummy lunches and food treats as well as other art displays and music entertainment, so you will be able to enjoy a feast, not only of the food and wine variety but entertainment-wise also.

See Page 18 for more info.

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# New Buildings and Courts for

The implementation of new change and court facilities at the Bruthen Recreation Reserve is a step closer with the signing of contracts for both the build of new changeroom and public amenities facilities and the redevelopment of Tennis and Netball Court surfaces.

Funding was received from Emergency Recovery Victoria (ERV) for redevelopment of court surfaces, building of additional toilets (on the western side), and construction of new change facilities on the eastern side of the ground. Due to budget constraints (basically inflation in the building game) – the western side toilets will be considered at a later stage, when and if more funding becomes available.

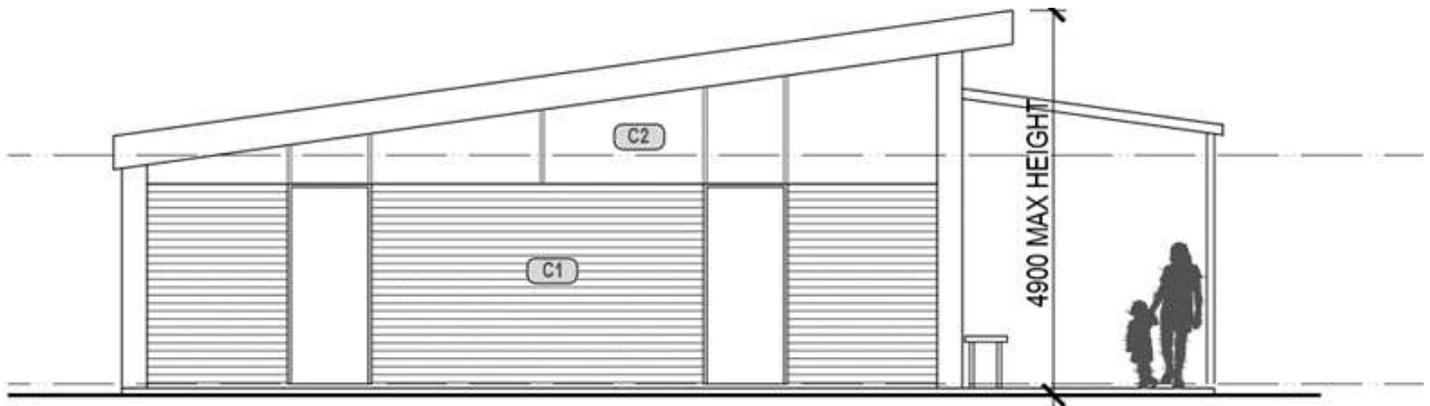
Chairperson of the Bruthen Recreation Reserve Committee of Management (BRRCoM) James Nicholas said that the newly elected Committee have been working hard to ensure that the project not only is delivered on budget, but also on time. The project represents key facilities that will serve the community well into the future. The change and administration facilities (that adhere to individual sporting association standards), will see the following built:

- Home and away Netball changerooms and ablutions;
- Home Cricket Club change and ablutions



(doubles as visiting team facilities in the football season)

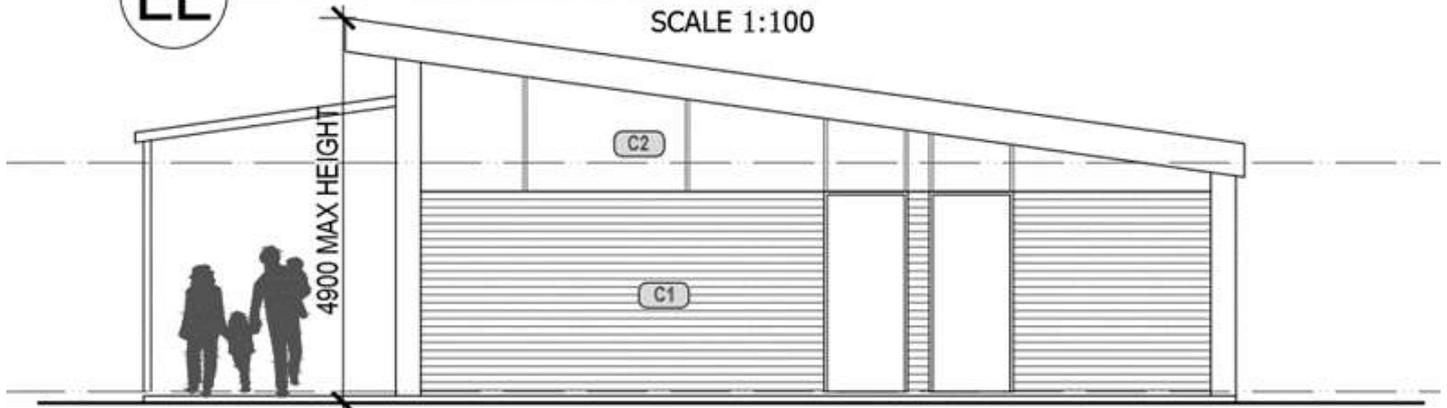
- Umpire change facilities and compartmented unisex ablutions.
- A dedicated tenant Club (s) administration room.
- A First Aid room.
- Two unisex toilets and a unisex ‘accessible’ disabled / parents change room toilet.



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## EAST ELEVATION

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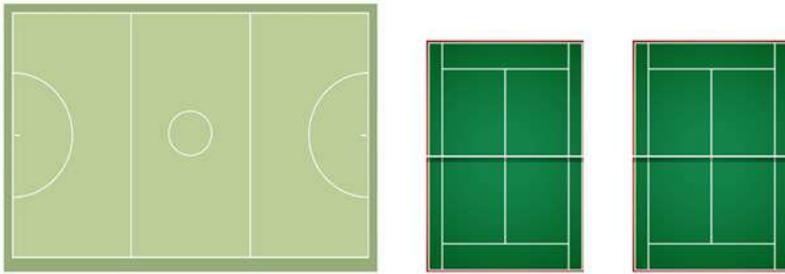


# the Bruthen Recreation Reserve

Netball Court

Tennis Courts

(indicative design for representation only)



The successful contractor for the new change facilities is local firm *BuiltQA* from Marlo, headed up by Lachlan Heather and Luke Priestley, who are “excited to be the prime contractor involved in the delivery of this key piece of community infrastructure”. Importantly the new facilities will also double up to provide important resources for emergency services (as the Recreation Reserve is used as a staging ground); in times of large-scale emergency response.

Cranes Civil and Surfacing are the preferred contractor for the redevelopment of the old Tennis Courts. Cranes have the expertise to rejuvenate the old court surfaces to modern standards. Recent work completed by Cranes include delivery of Netball, Hockey and Soccer surfaces at the newly developed ‘World Sports Centre’ in Bairnsdale.

The existing courts which have seen better days have been affected by ground movement and wear and tear on the surface. Cranes have been contracted to reinforce current ground works, resurface and extend the courts so that they are match day compliant for both Tennis and Netball Victoria. The new configuration of the court surface will see the three existing tennis courts reduced to two courts, with a hard surface extension which allows placement of a netball court. The middle tennis court will have removeable net poles so that during Netball season, tennis nets can be removed so that the surface can double as a warm up area. The newly resurfaced (with lighting) Netball Court on the western side of the oval will remain for night training and extra matches. This is important due to the growth in netball within Bruthen & District. The retention of two Tennis Courts is also important as these are used regularly by members of the community and visitors to the town.

The Committee of Management wish to advise that while there will be some disruption to activities at the oval from mid-January, this will be minimised as much as possible. Main construction of the building will commence early 2024, with the project to be completed no later than November 2024. The BRRCoM wish to thank Courtney Campbell, Development Solutions Victoria (DSV) for planning and permit advice and Tom Hardy Design for his

technical and contractual work completed to date. Once again both local contractors, with a keen interest in the development of local facilities.

Pictured Below: Lachlan Heather from BuiltQA and Brenda Streeter (Secretary of the Bruthen Recreation Reserve Committee), shake hands on the signing of the contract for works.



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## Camp Coolamatong Day Trip for Bruthen Youth Group

On Saturday, November 25, the youth group of Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House set off for Banksia Peninsula for an energetic day at Camp Coolamatong Farm.

YPP (Young People's Project) had previously planned the kind of activities they would most like to do, and the day included selected options of combat archery, a low-ropes obstacle course, rock-climbing, and abseiling.

A bus trip with our friendly driver Ray from Gillicks transported the group to the farm where they were welcomed by Andrew, their camp leader for the day, who led everyone to their first undertaking.

Donned in protective masks and armed with bows and less-than-fearsome rubber-ended arrows, everyone put their aiming skills to the test, competing in groups and individually in a variety of objective-based games.

A short trek led the group to the low-ropes obstacle course. Participants were tasked with navigating a confusing array of cables, tyres, and pivoting beams without setting foot on the ground. It was great to see everyone working together, problem-solving and getting into the swing of things to complete the ropes course as a group.

After a lovely lunch provided by Leah from Coolamatong, and some free-time activities, the final activity was rock-climbing and abseiling.

Harnesses were equipped, carabineers locked, and one-by-one the rock-wall was tackled. Though the height of the wall and the placement of the rocks could prove testing, it was fantastic to see everyone push past any fears and rise to the challenge of the task, with much encouragement from their onlookers. After all participants successfully conquered the task, they took to it a second time, trying to best their times. Many even increased the difficulty by climbing the tower blindfolded!

At the end of a busy day, Andrew congratulated and farewelled YPP and the group then rushed to the bus through the downpour of rain that had fortunately held off right until the end.

Well done to everyone for a great day. We are very grateful to East Gippsland Community Foundation for their support, which made this event possible.

The Young Peoples Project commenced as a BDNH



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initiative in 2020 after the bushfires, with the bright and welcoming mural on the western wall of the Opp Shop representing the inaugural YPP activity. BDNH staff coordinate funding and project facilitation with volunteers playing a valued role in planning and delivery of activities.

The Camp Coolamatong weekend activity has been an exciting outdoor adventure experience thanks to the efforts of BDNH staff Nikki and Joe with volunteer input by Kelsey with the planning process. Jane has been a long-term volunteer supporting YPP's weekly Wednesday evening gatherings at BDNH.

As 2023 draws to a close, December activities include a Skate Park BBQ and a beading workshop at BDNH. 2024 will see YPP grow and develop with a range of youth focused programs and activities to strengthen community networks and a resilient future.

Look out for 2024 BDNH promotional information via Tambo Rambler, posters around town and BDNH social media.



JC & RK

# A Merry Christmas from The Rambler Team



Above: Left to Right, Back Row: Pamela Boyd, Merewyn Davis, Maria Power. Front Row: Jenny Carter, Odarka Gibbs, Kath

Gallagher, Heather Rose. Top Right : Ros Kempton, absent on party day, but a long time Rambler regular.

Picture to Right: Our editor, Lee Flinn, who incidentally was NOT excluded from the afternoon festivities in the gardens! Lee had to leave after our morning meeting to get to his main job in Bairnsdale (which is on top of his work managing the family farm). Our team is very grateful to Lee for all the skill, effort and good humour he always brings to his work with us.

And a huge thank you to all those involved in the many and varied community organisations and special interest groups across the district for all that you do to serve, connect, inform and entertain us. And to those individuals as well who have contacted us about matters of interest we might follow up, or offered their own contributions and photos. You are what makes this a community newsletter, for Bruthen, Wiseleigh, Sarsfield, Mossiface, Tambo Upper and between and beyond. Please keep it coming.

Wishing all our readers a very happy Christmas, from the team at the Tambo Rambler. And have a great New Year!

**The Rambler Team**

**Peace & Joy**

Happy holidays from the Team at Gippsland Lakes Complete Health

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**Community Hub 36 Main Street, Bruthen.**  
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**Next meeting 10:30am  
December 12**

**Chester visits Tambo Upper Primary**

Federal Member for Gippsland Darren Chester recently visited the students and teachers at Tambo Upper Primary School, where he discussed the different levels of government and how we can work together to fix a range of issues within our community.

Mr. Chester said it was a pleasure visiting the students and answering their questions about Federal Parliament and life in politics.

**Mr. Chester is pictured with Tambo Upper Primary School captains Matilda Lane (left) and Florence Cowan (right).**



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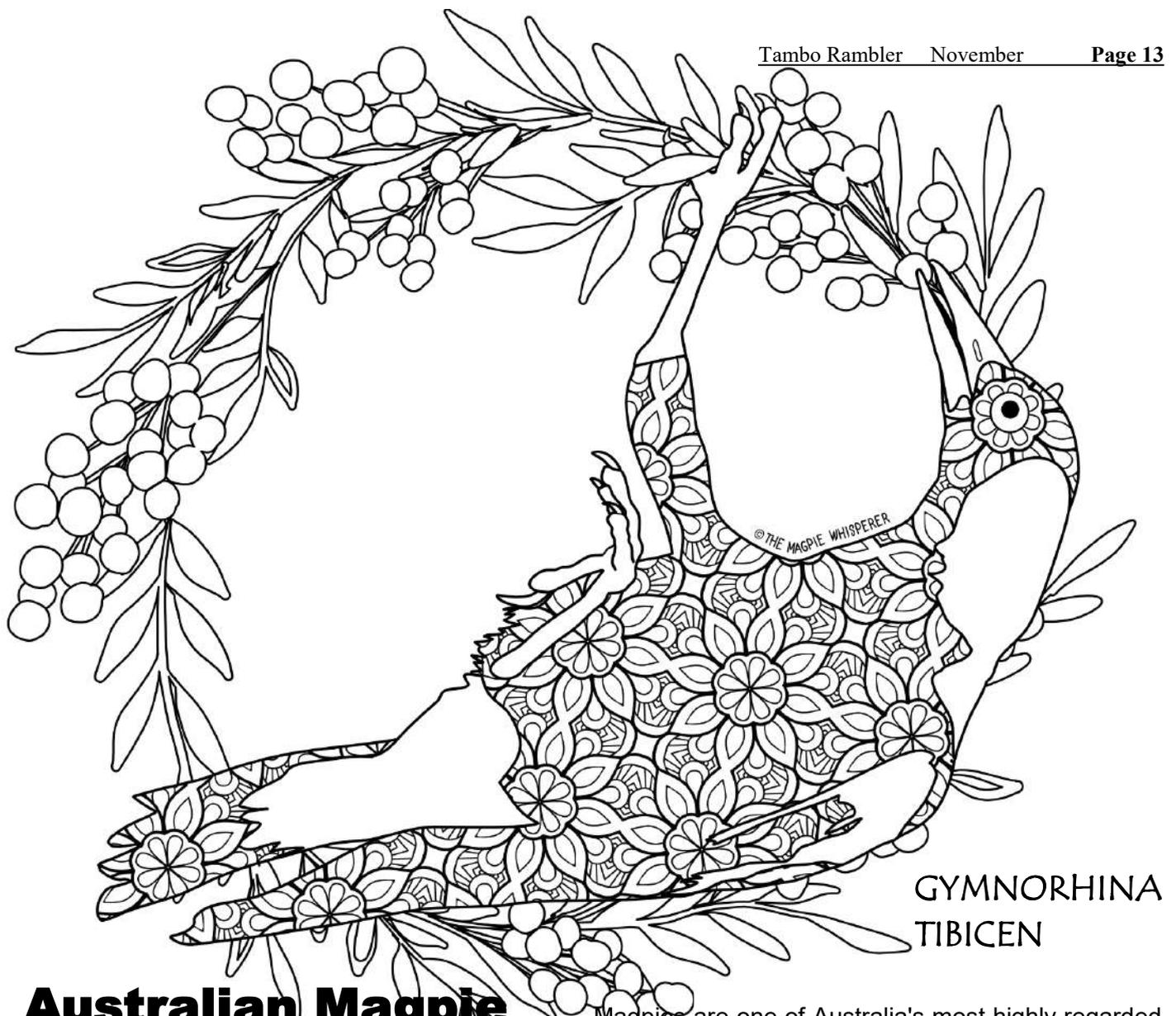
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## Target Words

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How many words of four or more letters can you find? Every word must use the centre letter, and each letter is used only once.





GYMNORHINA  
TIBICEN

## Australian Magpie

This month's bird is the iconic Australian Magpie. They're probably best known for their beautiful, warbling song. But there's a lot to admire about these birds, which are curious, intelligent and charismatic.

A heavy set, black and white bird. In our part of Australia, the nape, upper tail and shoulder of the males is entirely white. Adult female birds have a light grey mottling on their backs as do juveniles up until two years old. Adult birds have a chestnut brown eye.

Australian Magpies are common and found throughout most of Australia wherever there is a combination of trees and adjacent open areas, including parks and playing fields. They're absent only from dense forests and arid deserts. Groups of up to 24 birds live year-round in territories that are actively defended by all group members. Groups depend on their territory for feeding, roosting and nesting requirements. Territories are spaced every 200-300 metres. Group members can remain on the territory for 10-15 years.

Being omnivores, their diet contains insects, worms, small lizards, mice, nuts and seeds and even other bird's eggs and nestlings. You may see them walking along the ground searching for insects, then cocking their heads to the side before striking. This is because they can hear small animals moving under the ground.

Magpies are one of Australia's most highly regarded songbirds. They make a loud, musical flute-like song, often performed as a duet or by groups. They have a wide variety of calls, many of which are complex, with their pitch varying up to four octaves. When alone, they can make a quiet, musical warbling noise. Louder calls are made to announce or defend their territory, raise the alarm for predators, or are begging calls made by juveniles. They can mimic over 35 bird species, as well as other animal calls, such as the barking of dogs. Magpies have been noted to mimic human speech or even the cry of a baby!

Peak breeding season is August to November. Females lay three to five eggs which hatch in around 20 days. Chicks are fed for up to four weeks on the nest and remain in the group for up to two years, after which they join large groups of roaming 'adolescent' and non-breeding magpies until they can gain a place in a territory as an adult breeding bird.

Magpies are generally quite tame, but during the breeding season they can become aggressive towards predators/intruders who venture too close to nesting sites. They're not actively trying to hurt people or pets; they're just protecting their young in the nest, for about six weeks of the year.

If you want to feed them, try turning over some rocks or digging up some dirt for them to forage over.



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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

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	<b>Nicholson</b>	2:15 pm – 3:15 pm
	<b>Bruthen (near kinder) *</b>	11 am – 11.15 am
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Treehouse Wildlife Refuge Metung, 0419 345 820

Birds, wombats, kangaroos, etc

## Tai Chi

For all those people wanting to stretch themselves this Summer, Tai Chi is a series of gentle movements to encourage flexibility and mindfulness. Yes, the space can be cooled, and classes are on Mondays from 10.30 to 11.30am in the Bruthen Mechanics Hall.

## Yarn Bomb the Arts & Info Centre

Do you want to be part of a yarn bombing display at the Art and Information Centre?

Planned for the end of January to coincide with *Eat Drink Explore Bruthen*, the aim is to bomb the handrails, verandah posts and anything else that we can wind knitting or crochet around or hang pom poms off. The more the better.

Use up your scraps of wool, visit an op shop or collect a ball or two from the Information Centre for this project. Making pom poms will be a great school holiday activity for kids.

### How to make a Pom Pom.

To make a Pom Pom cut out two circles of cardboard using a lid or cup to trace around. Make a smaller hole in the middle of each piece.

Thread wool in and out of the hole until there is enough to make a nice full Pom Pom. With a pair of sharp scissors slide the blade between the sheets of cardboard and cut the outside making sure you get all the threads. To finish tie off firmly between both pieces of cardboard leaving the ends long for hanging your creation.

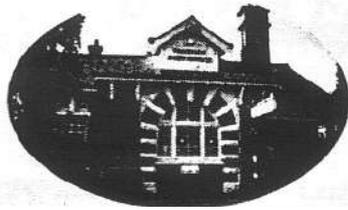
### Christmas Gifts

The Art and Information Centre has a lot of hand-made art and craft created by local people. Apart from a range of paintings there are lots of smaller items such as jewellery, soaps, cards, wood craft, barbed wire outdoor art and more which will be great for Christmas gifts.

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## Life saving training at Bruthen Neighbourhood House

On November 17, a group of fortunate locals participated in a very rewarding hour-long workshop to learn or refresh their basic life-saving skills with CPR and AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Training.

Jamie from Paynesville Ambulance was very knowledgeable and engaging. We were all given heart-shaped aids with squeaker that we had to compress quite forcefully to emit a sound. Unfortunately, this is the pressure needed and sometimes results in broken ribs. But as Jamie pointed out, "Would you rather suffer that or be dead?"

Another point he made was that these days responders are not expected to do mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if they are not comfortable doing so. Of course, family and friends invariably carry out with this procedure but studies have shown CPR success is more reliant on effective chest compressions. These are very important while waiting for an AED and/or ambulance.

There are AEDs located at the Rec Reserve Oval, Bowls Club, Fire Brigade, Neighbourhood House, Police Station and Bruthen General Store.

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Pamela Boyd



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# TAMBO RAMBLER



## Tambo Rambler Advertising Costs

### BLACK AND WHITE Advert Options

- ⇒ 9 x 5 cm - Cost \$10.00
- ⇒ 9 x 8 cm - Cost \$15.00
- ⇒ 1/4 page - Cost \$25.00
- ⇒ 1/2 page - Cost \$50.00
- ⇒ Full page - Cost \$100.00

**25% discount for BDCA Members,**  
(only applies to black and white adverts)

### COLOUR Advert Option 1: Full Page

- ⇒ One full page, full colour feature / advert placed on the inside cover of the Tambo Rambler
- ⇒ Plus acknowledgement as the major sponsor for that month's edition of the Tambo Rambler
- ⇒ **Cost - \$165 per edition**

### COLOUR Advert Option 2: Half Page

- ⇒ One half page, full colour feature / advert placed on the inside cover of the Tambo Rambler
- ⇒ Plus acknowledgement as the sponsor for that month's edition of the Tambo Rambler
- ⇒ **Cost - \$100 per edition**

### COLOUR Advert Option 3: Quarter Page Full Colour Promotional Package

- ⇒ One quarter page, full colour feature / advert placed on the inside cover of the Tambo Rambler
- ⇒ Plus acknowledgement as the co-sponsor for that month's edition of the Tambo Rambler
- ⇒ **Cost - \$65 per edition**

### Closing date for December issue is November 25.

Please send your articles by e-mail only to:  
**tamborambl@gmail.com**

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

Tambo Rambler is distributed across East Gippsland via email and on the web page at  
**<https://bruthendistrict.org.au/tambo-rambler/>**

We also distribute to Government representatives, Bairnsdale Library, Victorian State Library, and local Historical Societies

Hard copies are available in Bruthen at the P.O, General Store, Oppe Shoppe, Bakery, Blue Bee, Hotel and Neighbourhood House for a gold coin donation.

The Tambo Rambler Committee and BDCA do not take responsibility for opinions expressed by contributors to the Tambo Rambler. The Editors reserve the right to reject articles and advertisements and to edit submissions if necessary

**All submissions must carry the author's full name, address and phone number. They may be published anonymously if preferred.**

We have been talking about it and now it is finally going to happen! Bruthen's own Food, Drink and Art Festival.

January 27, 2024 11 am to 5 pm in the Main Street of Bruthen.

Expect delicious food from some of Gippsland's most respected restaurants and loads of wine, beer and spirits from our regional distillers, brewers and wine makers.

Acoustic music from some of our best local musicians in the Rotunda adding to the atmosphere.

Food or food growing related talks and demonstrations.

Sip and Paint sessions in the hall and a kids zone including a craft corner.

Some impressive sculptures by artists from our region.

Festival Launch Dinner at Tambo Valley Honey – Friday evening – ticketed

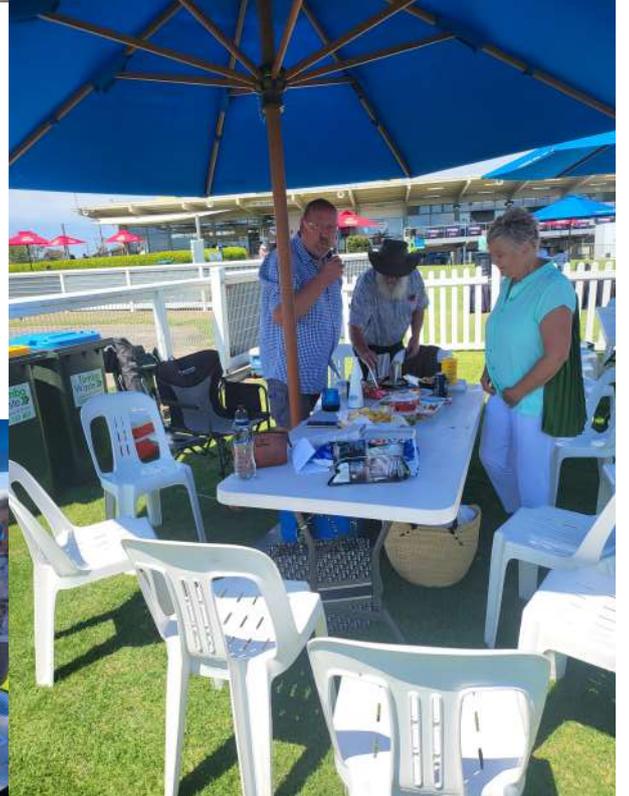
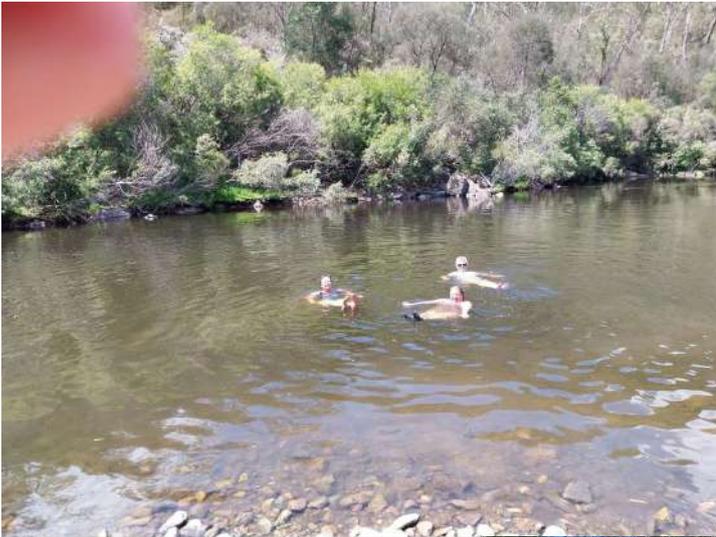
In other words, there will be something for everyone.

### Tickets

- \$20 for pre booked tickets – available on Trybooking soon.
- \$25 at the gate.
- Children 16 years and under free.
- \$55 (plus entry) Sip and Paint with artist Tracey Johnson.
- Volunteer for two hours or more and get free entry.

Arts and Events Council is a small group so we will need lots of help to set up, pack up and on the day. If you can help us please let us know.





**Can you burn off without a permit? The short answer is NO.....  
but here is some useful information**

**What are fire permits?** Fire permits are issued to businesses and individuals who need to use fire to conduct work or an activity. They provide an exemption to laws during a period when fire restrictions are in place or a day of Total Fire Ban (TFB) with specific conditions applied.

**During the Fire Danger Period**

A permit valid for use during the declared Fire Danger Period but not on Total Fire Ban days. Commonly referred to as 'Schedule 13' or 'Schedule 14' permits.

**On days of Total Fire Ban**

A permit valid for days of Total Fire Ban only. Commonly referred to as 'Section 40' permits.

Can I obtain a permit to do a controlled burn? **YES** – you can visit the following website

<https://firepermits.vic.gov.au/> which takes you to .....



If granted a permit – you **MUST** (as a general rule):

- have a copy of the written permit with you (or a copy on your phone)
- not leave** the burn unattended.
- have a means of **extinguishing** the fire.
- check weather conditions to determine if it is **safe** to burn.
- conduct the burn within the **time** stated on the permit.
- abide** by any conditions stated on the permit.
- fully extinguish** the fire at the conclusion.

So what happens if I do not have a permit or leave the fire unattended? A responding Brigade will turn up, most likely extinguish the fire and call Victoria Police (we have no choice in this). Police will determine based on facts, whether a charge or fine is warranted. In short – do not put your local Brigade in this position, do not burn without a permit and do not leave a fire unattended. Brigades have no choice but to report unauthorised burns to the Police.. So – we recommend **CHECK – APPLY – NOTIFY**