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Seniors art & history trip to Sale

April 17 saw a group of happy Seniors board the Community Bus, driven by Peter Boland, for a trip to Sale with a choice of visiting the Art Gallery or the Museum of Timeless Memories. The Gippsland Art Gallery in Sale has long devoted a significant part of its space to local textile artist Annemieke Mein, but now, in the year of her 80th birthday, it is staging a major exhibition of her life's work depicting Australian flora, fauna and landscapes. It has borrowed works from private collections to add to what it already had and is using all five of the Gallery spaces. There are also a number of displays, slides and videos that demonstrate Annemieke's amazing range of skills and close, meticulous observation of the natural world. The exhibition is running until May 26, and is quite

extraordinary. The Museum was a trip down memory lane, covering a huge area with everything from cars and farming equipment, to a 50's schoolroom, which many of us remembered, kitchens our mothers and grandmothers had, medical equipment, toys and more. Too much to mention. Go there! Rose, who has collected the items, had tea, coffee and biscuits ready for us, plus a jukebox playing the old hits. A section of books for sale raises money for Dolly's Dream. Of course we had lunch at the pub before heading home!

Kath G

Pet Tips: Responsible pet ownership

Jessie is a black cat nearly 14 years old who came down to Bruthen with me from Sydney. After having kittens for her previous owners she was surrendered at 12 months of age to the council pound, where I spotted her! Jessie was spayed, microchipped, vaccinated, flea and worm treated and registered with the Council before I took her home.



Jessie loves the country life, watching birds from the enclosed verandah. Or just curls up on the sofa and sleeps. Always wakes for dinner and treats. After all she is an old lady! Below is Summa, last kitten born in a colony that had grown to 18 cats, descended from one female that owners had abandoned. Ginger females are rare, yet Summa's mum and her two sisters are also ginger. Ginger cats have freckles just like humans and are very affectionate. Summa is very fortunate and happy to be living in Bruthen, loves sunbathing in the garden and then comes in the house where she stays overnight. Summa has no desire to be back on the street.

Kath G



Winter Is Coming

But it is not all bad news because BRUTHEN'S MEDIEVAL WINTER FIRE FESTIVAL IS COMING too.

And what a fantastic way to celebrate the Winter Solstice. Great food (even more variety than last year), Medieval skills to see and learn, bonfire in the paddock, medieval inspired music with the Rufous Whistlers, an amazing fire act, flaming weapon combat, loads of gorgeous costumes, costume competition, duck shooting trebuchet, lantern parade and medieval games for young and old. So much fun.

JUNE 22ND at 3PM Until 9PM at Bruthen Hall.

Bruthen has an excellent reputation for putting on great events and the Medieval Winter Fire Festival is one of the most popular East Gippsland Winter Festival events. We are looking for volunteers to help us make this another fabulous Bruthen event. Can you help out with setting up, pulling down or on the night? If so please ring or message Joy on 0490819507 or email us on bruthenaande@gmail.com

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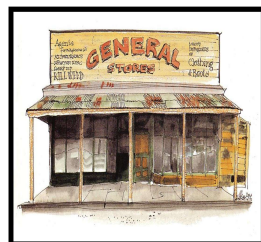
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East Gippsland Winter Festival Turning Four in 2024!

The not to be missed East Gippsland Winter Festival fires up for the fourth consecutive year and ignites the winter solstice from 21 June to 21 July 2024. Celebrating "How We Winter" in East Gippsland, visitors and locals will experience the best of the region during a month-long festival of art, performance, music and gastronomy.

Renowned as one of the largest winter festival programs in Australia, this year's festival coincides with the Victorian school holidays and features dozens of free events and activities, offering an affordable family-friendly winter getaway.

With a richly diverse schedule, there's something for everyone seeking a magical winter escape. Prepare to be enchanted by over 100 events scattered across the region, showcasing the natural splendour of East Gippsland from live music in unexpected places, lakeside wellness experiences, winter feasts in spectacular locations, and more.

"Our region's culture has a chance to shine thanks to the East Gippsland Winter Festival.

The festival is a fantastic showcase of our region's people, places, food - a celebration of the best of our shire," East Gippsland Shire Council Mayor, Cr Tom Crook said.

"So, mark your diary and join us for our month-long journey through art, performance, music and community connection."

Highlights of this year's Festival Program include:

- 21 June: World Bathing Day Sunrise Bathe & Picnic Breakfast - watch the sunrise from the Hilltop Escarpment of Metung Hot Springs as you bathe and picnic perched above Lake King.
- 22 June: Medieval Winter Fire Festival, Bruthen – be transported back in time at the Medieval Winter Fire Festival, featuring thrilling sword fights, bonfires, lively music, medieval costumes, and fireside feasting. Fun for all ages!
- 24 - 26 June: High Country Lunch at Moscow Villa Hut – an 'off-grid' lunch series hosted by well-regarded local chef, Stuart Derham, located in an iconic high country hut at Nunniong amongst the peaks of East Gippsland's alpine range.
- 29 June: Guy Grossi x Sodafish Collaboration Lunch, Lakes Entrance - "Inverno" a winter feast inspired by local produce and Italian tradition. Hosted by Guy Grossi and Nick Mahlook at Sodafish, floating amongst the Lakes Entrance fishing fleet.
- 6 July: Lakes Lights: Enchanted Shores, Lakes Entrance Foreshore – a mesmerising spectacular of artist-made lantern sculptures, roaming performers, and lighting projections will create a whimsical world on the Lakes Entrance Foreshore, with food trucks and live music.
- 13 July: Water & Lights, Paynesville - rug up for a magical night by the water with a lakeside lantern

parade passing lighting installations off the jetties of Paynesville, then settle in for a family-friendly outdoor cinema night and food truck fare!

- 20 July: Deep In The Weeds at Sailors Grave Brewing, Orbost – Sailor's Grave Brewing's infamous 'Deep in the Weeds' festival returns at a new venue in 2024, the Marlo Hotel! Expect punk rock, weird and wonderful beers and a great time.

To learn more about the festival program visit East Gippsland Winter Festival online. Originally created as a response to the devastating 2019/20 Black Summer Bushfires, Festival Founder Adam Bloem says the Winter Festival has now taken on "a life of its own".

"It was initially established to celebrate the wonderful spirit and resilience of the people of East Gippsland, and to provide an economic boost by attracting visitors back to the region after a couple of really tough years," Adam said.

The 2024 East Gippsland Winter Festival will run from 21 June - 21 July. For more information, including ongoing program updates, visit www.egwinterfest.com.au



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Fun and cheese with Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

SBA's Kitchen recently hosted a Basic Farmhouse Cheese Making Workshop here in Bruthen that proved to be a resounding success. Eight cheese enthusiasts from the local community had the unique opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to craft their own Queso Bianco Cheese.

Under the expert guidance of experienced cheesemaker Julie, the participants delved into the intricacies of cheese making, learning about the essential ingredients, techniques, and equipment involved in this ancient culinary art. The workshop culminated in a delightful communal experience, as the participants gathered to savour the fruits of their labour.

They shared a delectable spread of their freshly made Queso Bianco Cheese, along with an assortment of accompaniments, creating a convivial atmosphere of camaraderie and culinary satisfaction. The workshop not only imparted valuable skills to the participants but also fostered a sense of community among local cheese lovers.

Thank you to everyone who participated, we really enjoy being able to assist in bringing wonderful learning experiences like this to our district!

SBA's have an upcoming Gluten free sourdough workshop in Bruthen on May 8, please contact the team at BDNH for more details.

Prepping for Bruthen's Biggest Morning Tea

Planning for Bruthen's Biggest Morning Tea is well underway. It promises to be an entertaining morning of great value for money. The \$10 entry fee includes a free coffee or hot chocolate from Bruthen's own Anywhere Espresso, endless tea, a free Big Bear's donut [also available for sale] and a delicious catered morning tea. There will be raffles, a lucky door and seat prize and fun games.

Please R.S.V.P. to Bruthen Neighbourhood House on 0497 544 490 or email to coordinator@bdnh.org.au

Below : Pamela, Wendy and Ros from the NH Committee have potted up some lovely succulents for sale at the BMT Cake Stall.



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Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

May 22nd
 Bruthen Mechanics Hall
 10:00am

Bruthen's Biggest Morning Tea 2024
 Help raise funds for Australia's Cancer Council!
 \$10 PER PERSON

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Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

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High Country Chaplain Speaks to Anglican Group

Late last month Marian Bissett, the High Country Chaplain for Frontier Services of the Uniting Church, addressed a friendship group at St Matthew's Anglican Church, Bruthen. She spoke of her support work for people in isolated areas centred on Swifts Creek and beyond. She assists people with all sorts of issues including filling out of government forms, food, transport to medical appointments and putting people in touch with a variety of support services. She indicated that people are still suffering from the effects of the 2019-2020 bushfires and who still need support. Her work is funded by donations and the Uniting Church. She was thanked by Helen Pollard who gave her a small gift. Helen also organised the event assisted by Marion Bloomfield. It is expected that similar events will be organised in the near future.

On April 26, Bruthen Op Shop volunteers enjoyed and afternoon catch-up at the Bruthen Inn.

The volunteer team appreciates the opportunity to meet up in an informal social setting where people got to know one another and share reflections and ideas for ensuring the Bruthen Op Shop experiences is enjoyable and rewarding for shoppers, volunteer staff and the community in general.

New Volunteers are always welcome and can call in to the Op Shop to register an interest and discuss options.

Pictured below: Volunteers from the Op Shop enjoying a drink at the Bruthen Inn.



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Help save Australia's Frogs

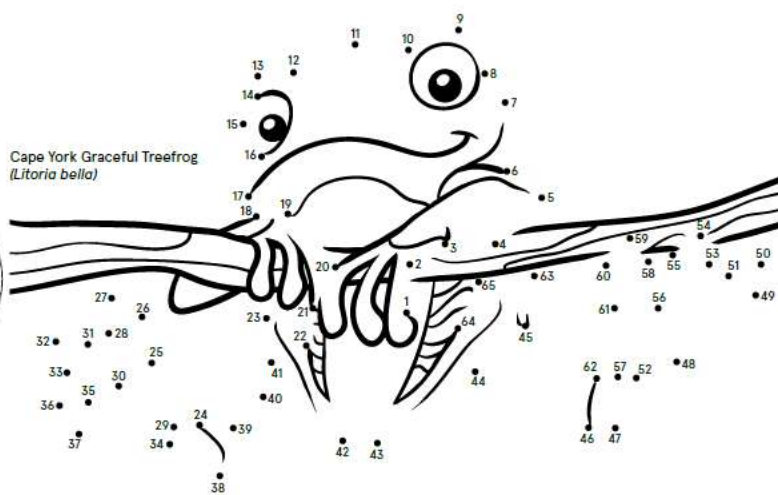
Croaks, whistles, bleats and barks – did you know that every frog species makes a different sound? FrogID is Australia's first national frog count created to save some of our most threatened species.

By recording a frog call with the FrogID app you can discover which frogs live around you and helpus count Australia's frogs. Here is how you can help:

- Download the FrogID app and create an account at FrogID.net.au
- Explore your local neighbourhood and listen out

for the calls of your local frogs

- Record any calls and match them to similar calls on the FrogID app
 - Wait for your call to be verified by the Australian Museum team of scientists
- Download the FrogID app now to become a Citizen Scientist and help us save some of our most threatened species.

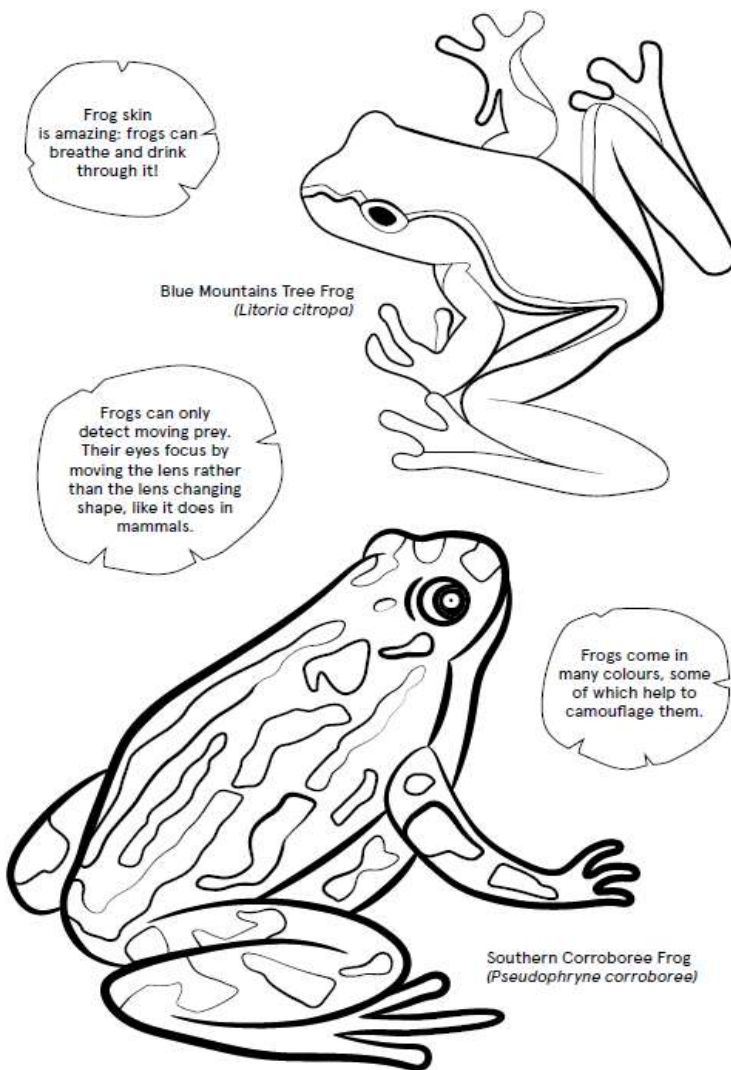


Make an origami frog
 Learn how to fold your own origami jumping frog. All you'll need is a few squares of paper and watch the Australian Museum easy step-by-step guide video. <https://youtu.be/gKpwhb0s7L0>

FROG QUIZ

- How many different native frog species does Australia have?
 a) 52 b) 79 c) 112 d) over 245 e) 385
- Which of these species is most threatened?
 a) Corroboree Frog b) Cane Toad
 c) Green Tree Frog d) Striped Rocket Frog
- Circle the correct answer. Australian frogs are threatened by:
 a. Habitat loss
 b. Climate change
 c. Pollution
 d. Parasites and disease
 e. Introduced species
 f. All of the above
- True or False? Some species of frogs can change their skin colour:
 a) True b) False
- Circle all correct frog facts:
 a. Many species begin life in water as eggs and then tadpoles
 b. If you kiss a frog he will turn into a prince
 c. Most frog species need moisture or water in order to breed
 d. You will get warts if you touch a frog
 e. They are found all over the world except in Antarctica
 f. Many frog species can change colour to camouflage themselves
- How can you help? Circle the correct answer:
 a. Help count our frogs using the FrogID app
 b. Build a frog friendly habitat in your back garden or school
 c. Avoid using pesticides in your garden
 d. All of the above

See the bottom of Page 14 for the answers.



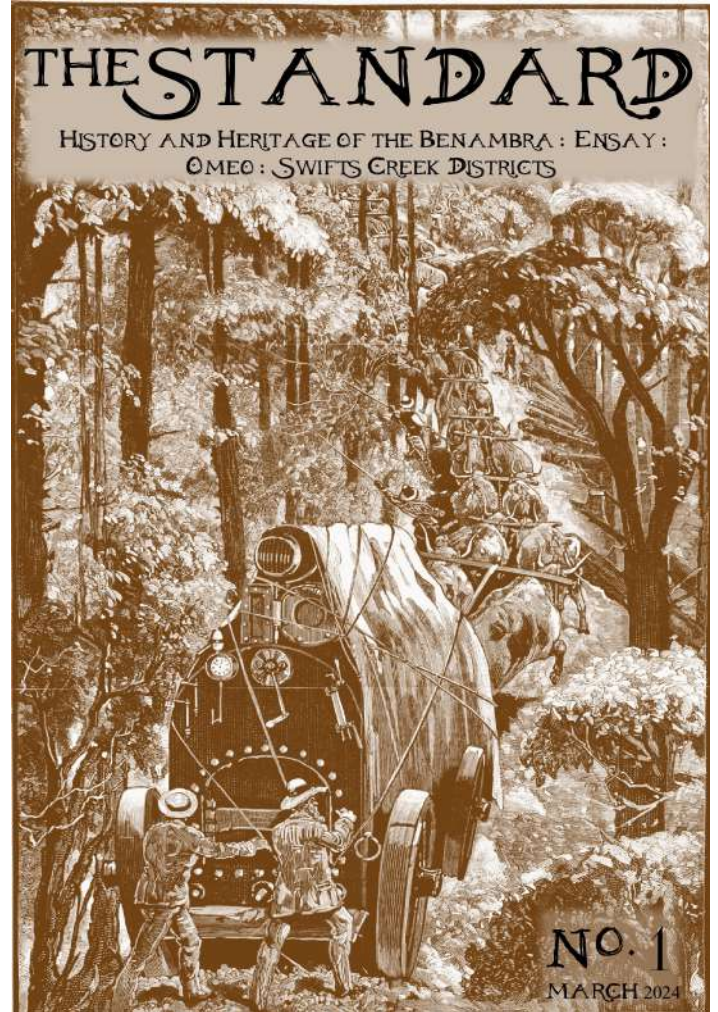
Did you know?
 Frogs are amphibians. The word amphibian comes from the Greek word 'amphibios', which means "to live a double life". This refers to most amphibians having two parts to their life cycle - the first in water during the egg and larva stage and the second on land during the adult stage.

New Local History Journal Is Launched

Exciting news for anyone with an interest in local history: the Omeo Historical Society Inc has recently published the first edition of its historical newsletter *The Standard*. It covers the old Shire of Omeo and is named for the newspaper that served the area for over fifty years – *The Omeo Standard and Mining Gazette*.

The Standard has been conceived as a sister publication to *The Black Sheep*, the joint newsletter of the East Gippsland Family History Group Inc and the East Gippsland Historical Society Inc. *The Standard* will be published quarterly, presenting a range of articles about the “history and heritage of the Benambra, Ensay, Omeo and Swifts Creek Districts”. The first edition is fascinating!

Members of the Omeo Historical Society will receive copies of *The Standard* as part of their \$20 per year membership. If you would like to join the Society and have a copy delivered to your mailbox, you can ring 0417 565 503 to arrange this.



Bassian Thrush

Bird of the Month – May 2024

Birdlife East Gippsland members recently attended an Autumn camp at Toora. Over the four days, several members were lucky enough to catch a glimpse of the very secretive Bassian Thrush.

About the size of a common blackbird, the plumage of the Bassian Thrush is mottled brown to olive-brown with heavily scalloped black crescent-shaped bars on the back, rump and head. The paler cinnamon-coloured underparts have brown-black scalloping. They have a distinctive white ring around the eye.

Found predominantly around the south-east of Australia, but also in the Atherton Tablelands, far-south Queensland, Tasmania and Kangaroo Island, their preferred habitat is damp, dense forest and shrubland areas and heavily vegetated gullies which have a thick overhead canopy and leaf-litter below.

Often a solitary bird, but sometimes in pairs or small groups, the Bassian Thrush feeds on the ground, scratching under the leaf-litter to expose moist soil in search of small invertebrates. Bassian Thrush stand still, listening carefully for insect movement in the leaf litter, then rush forward to pounce on them and can often be detected by listening for those rustling sounds as dry surface leaves and twigs are thrown aside.

When disturbed, they may run briefly, before becoming motionless and relying on their mottled brown plumage to blend them into the forest

background. While usually a quiet bird, you may hear their song, like a muted version of the song of the common blackbird, especially at dawn or in dull weather.

Breeding in July to December they build a large, deep, cup-shaped nest made of bark strips, leaves and rootlets, camouflaged outside with green mosses and lichens. Nests can be made in a major tree fork, in a depression on top of a stump or a ledge in a cave. This nest can be very low or up to 15 or so metres above the ground. Two or three eggs form the clutch and both parents care for the young.



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

Bruthen to Bairnsdale Morning	Monday & Friday AM	Tues, Wed, Thurs AM
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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



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- 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

1st & 3rd Wed Thu	Tambo Upper *	9.00 am – 9.45 am
	Bruthen (Main Street)	10.15 am – 12.15 am
	Swan Reach Kinder	1.30 pm – 2.00 pm
	Nicholson	2:15 pm—3:15 pm
	Bruthen (near kinder) *	11 am – 11.15 am
	Mossiface	11:30am to 12 noon

Sites marked are not visited during school holidays*

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

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Suzie

Waterholes Wildlife Shelter Clifton Creek Koala specialist, 0447 470 905.

Geoff Nicol

Treehouse Wildlife Refuge Metung, 0419 345 820 Birds, wombats, kangaroos, etc

Bruthen Key Events Calander

A long  K @ what's coming up

Month 2024	Event / Theme	Group
May (22 nd)	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea	N'hood House
June (22 nd)	Markets (Medieval theme)	Market Team – N'hood House
June (22 nd)	The Medieval Winter Festival	Bruthen Arts & Events Council
July (11 th -14 th)	School Holiday Program	N'hood House
Aug (8 th)	You're an Instrument (Kids Show)	Bruthen Arts & Events Council
Sept (21 st)	Bruthen Market (Spring Fair)	Market Team – N'hood House
Sept (7 th)	Casting Off Theatre Show	Bruthen Arts & Events Council
Oct (1 st -4 th)	School Holiday Program	N'hood House
Nov (23 rd)	Bruthen Markets (pre-Christmas)	Market Team – N'hood House
Dec (8 th)	Bruthen Christmas Carols	N'hood House & St Matts Parish
2025	Event / Theme	Group
Jan (18 th)	Eat, Drink, Explore Bruthen	Bruthen Arts & Events Council
Feb (15 th)	Bruthen Markets (Music)	Market Team – N'hood House

As events approach – more info will appear in the Rambler.

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ALL WELCOME!! Please come.

Contact is the Rev'd Brian Norris on 0418 633446
Volunteers are always welcome at the Bruthen Anglican Op Shop. If you are interested, please ring Trish Brogan on 0425 228 041 or Helen Crosby on 0418 580 007.

Fire Restrictions end in East Gippsland

The Fire Danger Period (FDP) is officially ended in East Gippsland

While restrictions are lifting in the area, CFA still expects the grassfire risk to remain across the state, so you need to remain alert and prepared.

Residents are reminded that Total Fire Ban days may still occur so any fires that are lit must be able to be extinguished immediately.

The end of the Fire Danger Period (FDP) will be an opportunity for some landowners to burn-off again, however it's important that residents check that local conditions are safe before undertaking these activities.

You must register your burn-offs, check weather conditions and follow local council laws, as well as EPA laws and applicable regulations.

Registering your burn-off ensures that if smoke or fire is reported, the incident is cross-checked with our register, which prevents firefighters from unnecessarily responding.

When conducting burn-offs, remain alert and always have resources on hand to extinguish the fire.

Landowners can register their burn-off online at www.firepermits.vic.gov.au or call 1800 668 511.

If possible, landowners should also notify their neighbours and others nearby who may be sensitive to smoke so they can take necessary precautions.

Tips for looking after your health when there is smoke can be found on EPA's website.

Keep your burn off safe and legal:

Check fire restrictions in your area and always register your burn at www.firepermits.vic.gov.au.

Check and monitor weather conditions – particularly wind.

To avoid unnecessary calls to emergency services, notify your neighbours beforehand.

Leave a three-metre fire break, free from flammable materials around the burn.

Have sufficient equipment and water to stop the fire spreading.

Never leave a burn-off unattended – stay for its entire duration.

If your burn-off gets out of control, call '000' immediately.

Tips for looking after your health when there is smoke can be found on EPA's website.

For further information head to: www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/how-to-prepare-your-property/burning-off

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- ⇒ 1/2 page - Cost \$50.00
- ⇒ Full page - Cost \$100.00

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- ⇒ One full page, full colour feature / advert placed on the inside cover of the Tambo Rambler
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Jon has a long family history in our area. His grandfather George Waites was a timber cutter who worked in the bush cutting sleepers by hand during the period when the railway was being built.

Jon was brought up in Lakes Entrance, moved to Bairnsdale, Lucknow and finally has found his permanent place in Bruthen where he, wife Bec and daughter Xanthea have lived for the past 8 years.

Jon has so many interests, it's hard to know where to start.

He trained in electronics and set up his own computer business, and as a cabinetmaker. However, due to a work-related back injury which required surgery and a long rehabilitation, he left those disciplines and now works part-time time as a pizza delivery man. In his spare time he likes to concentrate his many other interests, particularly art in many forms.

He worked as a tattooist for some years and has a wonderful personal torso tattoo dedicated to George Waites which he designed himself.

He has worked as a clothes designer, drafting his own patterns and making the garments.

With a keen interest in automobile restoration and vintage cars, Jon is currently helping a local restore an old Kingswood and also a Trans-Am USA Knight Rider. He has also adapted his own Land Cruiser to run on chip oil!

If you attended the Bruthen's Wine and Food Day in January this year, you may have been lucky enough to view several of his metal sculptures which were displayed in front of the Mechanics Hall. He works with reclaimed metal and wood. His beautiful metal sculpture entitled 'Woman' was based on a shop mannequin but in the future Jon will be working from a plaster cast from human form.

Jon is a member of the Bruthen Arts & Events Committee and the local CFA.

It will be very interesting to see where Jon's many talents take him for the next few years.

We wish him all the best and will watch closely!

Frog Quiz Answers

1. d) over 245 2. a) Corroboree Frog 3. f) All of the above 4. a) True 5. a) Many species begin life in water as eggs and then tadpoles, c) Most frog species need moisture or water in order to breed, e) They are found all over the world except in Antarctica, f) Many frog species can change colour to camouflage themselves 6. d) All of the above
If you want to learn more facts about Australia's frogs visit: www.frogid.net.au/learn



Bruthen Inn restarts Open Mic

Caught up recently with Stretch at the Bruthen Inn to talk about this year's first resurrection of the Open Mic on the last Sunday of the month. She also wanted to fill me in on Olivia Lay's upcoming CD launch on Sunday, May 19. And all about the return of Todd Cook and the Songs from the East, an exciting part of East Gippsland Winter festival in June. Tony and Amanda Norris from Sarsfield have resurrected the open mic afternoon on the last Sunday of the month at the ever-supportive Bruthen Inn. Local Bruthen performer Mike Malmo played an entertaining set and you can find all his music on Facebook. We were then treated to a wonderful performance by Emily Nock known as EMJ with the voice of an angel, only 15 years old from Stratford. Her dad Chris, mum Amanda and her friend travelled up to lend support. Dazzling Daryl on harmonica very modestly playing off to the side of the stage, delighted all. Mark Svetlik celebrated his

61st birthday with a celebratory gig. Glenn Lamperd supplied the beats for most acts. Tony's band finished the afternoon with some fine music. It would be great to see more bands and artists coming along in future. Helen the chef from Paynesville offers daily menu special changes, sometimes twice a day. We enjoyed a most delicious seafood chowder and a Chook Pen pizza designed by long-time barmaid Neisha. A delicious take-away roast lamb dinner was enjoyed the next night.

- Pam

