

The GRETA BUNYIP

"YOUR GRETA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER"

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CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

Dec Wed 18th Greta Valley School Concert 7.00pm
Molyullah Memorial Hall

Jan Sun 26th Australia Day celebration, Greta -
Hansonville Hall 10.00am

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE FROM THE GRETA BUNYIP TEAM

Thank you to Gigi for proofreading and to our team of delivery people, Francis, Frank, Trish, Bill and Val, Anthony, Darren and Allan.

GRETA VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



This term the whole school enjoyed a week long camp to Sovereign Hill. The camp was jam packed with activities which excited and delighted everyone, leaving us exhausted but happy by weeks end. The children are now practicing for our end of year school concert which is on Wednesday 18th December at the Molyullah Memorial Hall at 7.00pm. Greta Valley Primary School are expecting 8 new students next year. They are coming to transition days in preparation for starting school in 2020. The new Prep students have been enjoying their time and are settling into the school routine.

Maisy and Euca are panning for gold while Shelby and Jim look stylish in clothes from earlier times.



GRETA HANSONVILLE HALL

The Greta Heritage Group/Greta Hansonville Hall Webpage is now 'live'. This was made possible with the assistance of a Grant from the ANZAC CENTENARY COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM.

The website ensures the memory of the Greta Hansonville ANZAC's is preserved for future generations and details the story of The Gathering Place project.

There is also a large amount of information on the history of the district, including past and future events. More information continues to be added, so check back regularly

www.grethheritagegroup.com.au

The Greta Hansonville Hall remains available for hiring - **we now have a split system - heating/cooling system in the Supper Room and ceiling fans in the Hall.**

For hiring or questions please contact Noeleen Lloyd 0427276372

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email contactus@kingvalleyartshow.com.au

or phone Michael Ashby Secretary 0439 396 027

Greta Valley Landcare Group **2019 IN REVIEW**

14,570m FENCING COMPLETED	4.9kg WATTLE SEED FOR DIRECT SEEDING	300 NEW Paddock TREES ESTABLISHED
12,000 TUBES PLANTED OVER WINTER	46 LARGE OLD TREES PROTECTED	76 NEST BOXES FOUND AND MONITORED
22 MEMBERS SUPPLIED WITH COLOUR A1 PROPERTY PLANS	FRUIT FLY CONTROL PROGRAM	3 YRS BIRD MONITORING @ 10 SITES
10 NEW MEMBERS - TOTAL OF 145 FAMILIES INVOLVED IN LANDCARE		
WORKSHOPS AND FIELD DAYS National Schools Tree Day, Planting on Croppers Creek, Managing Farm Water Supplies, Legless Lizards, Pollinator Pods, Weeds and Livestock, Dung Beetles Part I and II, Nest box monitoring sessions, 2040 movie screening & Indigenous history		
\$132,000	funding received to run events and support onground works in 2020.	

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NEWS FROM THE PAST

Wangaratta Chronicle (Vic. : 1914 - 1918),
Wednesday 20 December 1916, page 3. Courtesy
Joan Ellis for the Greta Heritage Group.

DISTRICT NEWS, GRETA,.

The Japanese Fete and Christmas Tree held in the Greta Hall on 14th and 15th December, in aid of the Greta Red Cross and State Schools' Patriotic fund, was a fine success. It was opened by Cr. Geo. Smith, J.P., who called attention to the work done by the ladies, and the cause it was to help. There was a large attendance on both days, and good business was done. The hall was most artistically decorated in Japanese style, the whole being done with paper flowers, bells and festoons - each stall in its own color of flower. The stall holders were all attired in Japanese costumes, and no pains were spared in perfecting them. The dresses were of the customary varied and beautifully coloured materials used by the Japanese ladies. The effect was really good. In addition there were troops of Gipsy school boys.

A special feature was the beautiful Christmas Tree, provided by Mr. Adams and decorated by Mrs S. Clarke and assistants. Mr. A. Dickson, in full Daddy Christmas costume made an excellent Santa Claus, and caused much amusement among the children. The Refreshment room was done in Japanese lanterns, and sweet peas, and catering was done by the ladies in their usual dainty and pleasing style.

The committee wish to thank all who donated articles raffled, especially Mr T. Williams for bag of wheat; also the stall holders, Messrs W. and D. Carmichael, who kindly acted as doorkeepers; Mr. Cruickshank for timber for stalls; and all who helped in any way to make the fete the grand success it promises to be. A final meeting will be held this afternoon at 7.30 pm in the Greta S.S.

The Japanese songs contributed on Friday night by the school children and an overture by Miss Elsie Smith were heartily appreciated.

If you wish to read the entire article, go to...
<http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article92006729>



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Primary Key Messages

- On hot, dry, windy days, fires can start and spread quickly. If the Fire Danger Rating is Severe, Extreme or Code Red, leaving early before a fire has started is the safest option.
- If you wait and decide to leave after a fire has started, you risk driving your family through thick smoke, fallen trees and power lines, and face the danger of collisions, being trapped by fire, serious injury or death.
- Understand your risk and plan ahead. Know what to do on hot, dry, windy days and plan for all situations. Talk to your family and friends about how you'll know when to leave, where you'll go and how you will get there.
- Fire Danger Ratings tell you how dangerous a fire would be if one started. As the ratings increase, so does the risk of an uncontrollable and fast moving fire. A severe fire danger rating or higher should be your trigger to leave. To find out more about fire danger ratings visit cfa.vic.gov.au/firedanger
- Never wait for an official warning before you leave, as you may not get one. Fires can start quickly and threaten homes and lives within minutes. Make sure you have a plan.
- If you can see smoke or fire driving is extremely dangerous. Thick smoke makes it hard to see, making traffic jams and collisions more likely. Keep roads clear for emergency services.

PREVENTING HAYSTACK FIRES

Signs of heating hay

Regularly monitor all haystacks for signs that the hay is heating by using a temperature probe or a crowbar, although this will not detect heat deeper in the stack.

Temperature Guide – what to do when your hay is overheating

Use a thermometer in a probe or insert a crowbar into the middle of the stack for 2 hours

- **Less than 50°C** Can handle bar without discomfort
Check temperature daily.
- **50°C - 60°C** Can only handle crowbar for short time
Check temperature twice daily. Remove machinery from shed.
- **60°C - 70°C** Can touch bar only briefly
Check temperature every 2 – 4 hours. Move hay to improve air flow.
- **Over 70 °C** Bar is too hot to hold
Potential for fire. Call 000 immediately. Avoid walking on top of haystack

Other signs of heating include:

- steam rising from haystacks
- condensation or corrosion underhayshed roofing
- mould growth in or on bales
- unusual odours (burning, musty, pipe tobacco or caramel)
- slumping in sections of haystack.

GRETA VALLEY LANDCARE



Thank you to the Moyhu Lions Club, Moyhu Memorial Hall Committee, King River and District Fishing Club and the Moyhu CWA for supporting us with wonderful catering for our workshops and events this year. Merry Christmas and good wishes to our members and the local community from the Greta Valley Landcare Committee.

Your Emergency Kit

Overnight bag with change of clothes, toiletries and sanitary supplies

Important items

- › passport
- › photos
- › will
- › jewellery
- › insurance papers

Medicines and First Aid Kit

Mobile phone and charger

Battery-powered radio, torch and spare batteries

Adequate amount of water

Woollen blankets

Contact information

- › doctor
- › council
- › power company

SHARE YOUR BUSHFIRE PLAN

Once you have prepared your plan, it is a good idea to share the details of your plan with family, friends and neighbours. Doing so will save them a lot of distress when there is a bushfire, as they will know that you are prepared and where to find you.

PETS

Remember to prepare for your pets as well. Make sure your pet is wearing an identification tag and add the following items to your Emergency Kit:

- › suitable transport carriers or leash
- › any medications
- › dietary supplements
- › food and drinking water
- › a familiar item (toy, bed, treats) to help reduce stress.





NED AND THE LAW

Saturday 22 February 2020
Greta Hansonville Hall

448 Reserve Road Greta, Victoria 3675

– 10:00am to 3:00pm

– 6:00pm to 10:00pm

From 10:00am

- **Morning Tea** and Welcome
- Four guest speakers:
 - 1) **Noeleen Lloyd** – The police presence in the greater Greta District [1850 – 1903]
 - 2) **Dean Mayes** – No. 1477: a Victorian trooper
- **Lunch:** Country style
 - 3) **Chief Inspector [Ret.] Ralph Stavely** – Policing in 19th century Victoria
 - 4) **Alice Richardson** – A brush with the law: Visual representations of Sir Redmond Barry and the trial of Ned Kelly

From 6:00pm

- **Dinner:** Spit Roast, vegetables and salad
- Complimentary wine on each table [additional alcohol can be purchased on the night]
- Display and discussion by **Billson's Brewery**
- Additional entertainment included

Our four speakers are unique [three of whom have not been heard in Greta before]. Each person will bring a new and exciting look at some of the themes and people in the story of Ned Kelly, all revolving around the theme of policing and the law. We will have our silent auction, raffles, and the added extras we are known for. We also have some exciting sponsors on board including Billson's Brewery. Tickets – limited to 72 – are \$100 per person. Please direct all enquiries to Noeleen Lloyd at noeleenlloyd@gmail.com. All proceeds will go to the continued maintenance and re-development of the Greta Hansonville Hall.

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2020 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Enjoy the Flag Raising Ceremony, Australia Day presentations and morning tea.

DATE: Sunday, 26th of January

TIME: 10 am

LOCATION: Greta Hansonville Hall

For more information contact,

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