The GRETA BUNYIP

"YOUR GRETA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER"

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Earlier this term Greta Valley P.S. was informed that they have been successful in obtaining Building Facilities Funding to upgrade/relocate their toilet block.

This has been very welcome news as originally their application was unsuccessful. Works should commence this year or early next year with a finish date of 2024.

The school was also successful in obtaining a shade sale grant facilitating an outdoor learning area/lunch area. It's almost complete.

On Wednesday the 25th May, the school participated in the Personal Best Sports day with the other King Valley Cluster schools.

A great day was had by all with lots of personal best times being beaten as well as Good Sports Awards achieved by a number of students. The teachers are justifiably proud of the children at Greta Valley PS for their encouragement and great sportsmanship.

Parents Club ran the BBQ and catered for the day, providing slices, biscuits, tea, coffee, milo, juice boxes, sausage rolls and of course the sausage in bread. A very successful day overall, raising over \$600.

Staff are also about to commence assessments and report writing, so a busy period ahead.



Introducing your 2022 Committee

Thank you to our members who attended a terrific presentation by David Briggs on the 15th of May at the Greta-Hansonville Hall. Thank you to all our outgoing Committee for volunteering their time over the past 12 months.

We welcome the incoming Committee for 2022: President: Stewart Day (Moyhu) Vice-President: Rob Edgar (Moyhu) Secretary: Bre Kent (Greta South) Treasurer: Anthony Griffiths (Greta West) Equipment Officer: Trevor Dinning (Hansonville) General Committee: Arthur Parker (Oxley), Kris Porker (Greta South), Vanessa Thompson (Greta West), Rho Fry (Moyhu), Brad Hennessy (Docker). We still have vacancies for our General Committee positions and would love a couple of additional volunteers. If you are interested in finding out more, please call Stewart Day on 0427 782 482.

Upcoming workshops

Our neighbouring group, the Carboor Bobinawarrah Landcare Group is hosting a mini workshop series on soils and pasture during June.

How healthy is your pasture?

Wednesday 15th June 2022 from 11am-2pm @ Docker Guest speaker Darren McCormick from NorMac Rural Services will take us through assessing pasture health and composition and will cover all the typical aspects of pasture management. Darren has worked in pastures and livestock systems for 25 years with a background in dairy pastures and production through the North East valleys. All welcome. FREE event. RSVP essential, as lunch provided. Please register online at https://events.humanitix.com/how-healthy-is-your-pas ture . Workshop address provided upon registration.



Making sense of your soil test!

Sunday 19th June 2022 from 10am-2pm @ Bobinawarrah Hall

David Hardwick from Soil Land Food will help us to learn the essentials when it comes to reading soil tests. In this half day workshop we pull apart soil tests and learn how to make sense of them.

All welcome. FREE event. RSVP essential, as lunch provided. Please register online at

https://events.humanitix.com/making-sense-of-your-s oil-test.

Introduction to dung beetles

Monday 20th June 2022 from 7-8pm @ Bobinawarrah Hall

Gayle South, local dung beetle enthusiast will explain why these fascinating beetles found in cattle dung are so important to agriculture, how they can improve your soils at no cost to you and how to look after them on your property. Local identification resources will be provided to attendees. All welcome. FREE event. Light supper provided.

Please register online at

<u>https://events.humanitix.com/introduction-to-dung-be</u> <u>etles</u>.



Fox and Wild Dog Bounty

Collections have resumed in Victoria. You can check the website at

https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/biosecurity/pest-animals /victorian-fox-and-wild-dog-bounty

for the collection schedule and details for your region. Benalla (Wednesdays, once month), Ovens (Tuesday, once month), Wodonga (Tuesday, once month).

Winter planting program

Thank you to all of our members who picked up their plant and paddock tree guard orders over the past two weeks. The group has been able to support planting of 7070 plants across 56 sites in our group area, in addition to 21 members planting new paddock trees on their properties. Terrific effort everyone!

Warby Ward Councillor, Irene Grant Community Meeting

Councillor Irene Grant will be at the Greta Hansonville Hall at 2 pm On Wed July 6.

It is an opportunity to have a chat about issues of concern or share ideas about needs or things that could be done in and around the Greta district.

Irene asks people to email her with specific questions so she can have responses prepared before the meeting.

The mayor, Dean Rees has indicated a willingness to attend subject to availability.

Covid has stopped a lot of the interaction our Councillors would have otherwise have had with the community of an informal conversation so take advantage of the opportunity.

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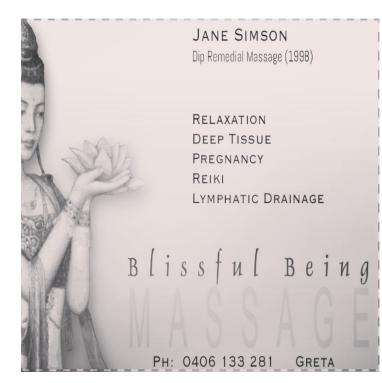
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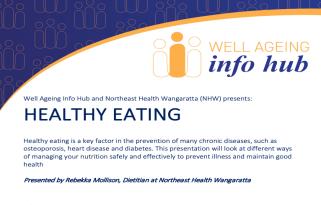
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- Key Messages
- Prevent, Detect, Escape.
- · Keep looking when your cooking
- Check electrical items regularly
- · Don't overload electrical power boards
- Service Heating (Gas, Electric and Fire flues and chimneys)
- Do not re-enter burning building
- · If you must smoke do it outside

OUR COMMUNITY - OUR CFA







 Where: The Uniting Church Hall (10 Rowan Street, Wangaratta)

 When: 2pm Tuesday 21st June 2022

 Who should attend: Older people, their family members and/or carers

 Cost: FREE – afternoon tea included

RSVP: by Friday 17th June 2022 Contact: Nadia on 1800 319 333 or infohub@nhw.org.au Online registration: https://eating-healthy.eventbrite.com.au

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Volunteer Delivery People

Thank you to the Bunyip volunteer delivery people who met on a cold night recently to "re-jig" the routes everyone takes when delivering the Bunyips to your mailboxes.

Our aim was to reduce the distances some are traveling.

A very warm welcome and big thank you to Jane Simson who has offered to help deliver. Her assistance has made all the difference.

Jane is also one of our sponsors so please support her business along with the other local sponsors. Francis O'Brien, Allan Porker, Bill and Val McMonigal, Frank Ryan, Trish Wadley, Cris Perra and Anthony Griffiths continue to volunteer their time to this task. Thank you everyone.

Local Directory

A suggestion was made at our meeting to offer local businesses the opportunity to advertise their business in a one off "local directory" style page.

You could email a copy of your business card to the Bunyip and it will be placed in the newsletter on a combined page that can be retained by residents for future reference.

Perhaps residents, possibly younger people, who would like to earn some money doing odd jobs would like to advertise too. If that is the case and you don't have a business card , provide me with relevant details. I'll place the notice in our local directory. Each advertisement would cost \$25.

Notices must be emailed by the end of July in time for the August Bunyip.