

THE GRANITE NEWS



The Granite News - serving the communities of Caveat, Highlands, Hughes Creek, Ruffy, Tarcombe, Terip Terip & Whiteheads Creek.

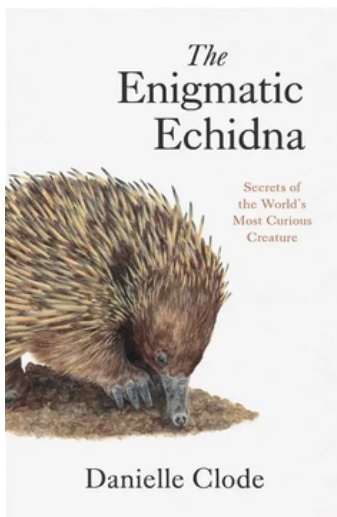


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Welcome, Wumindjika & G'day

Well surprise, surprise I mentioned last week that about 20 TGN readers' Granite News emails had bounced back previously when rejected by their filter systems and then listed the culprits that had caused this to happen. And what happened subsequently - nothing, nada, zip, zero - none of the previously filtered emails bounced back this time. Go figure! Technology is beyond logical comprehension in this case.

For those readers who have been sending in photos of wonderful echidnas over the last few months (and everyone else too) there's a new book out that you might find of interest - The Enigmatic Echidna.



I have read several books by the author - Danielle Clode, an Associate Professor of Creative Writing at Flinders University, and have been informed and enjoyed all of them as her writing style is very easy to read and digest.

This latest volume is now on order at my local bookshop (due to arrive next week) and its publicity blurb intrigues and entices -

"There are few animals more unusual than the echidna - a spiky, egg-laying mammal that eats ants. But some of the most striking things about echidnas are things most of us

don't know. That they use their snout like a snorkel when they swim, that they can sense electromagnetic fields, that they have intriguingly complex brains, startling physical strength and 'backwards' back feet. That they go into torpor when conditions are poor and can survive fires by sheltering underground. And that during the mating season, male echidnas will line up behind a female, making cooing noises and forming an orderly echidna train, waiting for their chance to impress her with some very strange reproductive equipment!" I love the visual concept of echidna & snorkel!

If you know of someone who needs to be kept in the loop but isn't a TGN reader please tell them to sign up at pdphroberts@gmail.com
The editor@tgn.org.au email is still dysfunctional.

Kia kara,
Pauline



Feedback?

pdphroberts@gmail.com or to
subscribe on-line go to
www.hccclandcare.net.au

The Granite News is an open but moderated community forum. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles and we also encourage you to air your views on things that interest or concern you within our community. We certainly welcome feedback from you, positive or otherwise on anything that is published in The Granite News

"Resilience is not a funding model."

Livia Bonazzi
CEO - Murrindindi Shire Council



STOP PRESS

FREE disposal of fire affected detritus
at the local Resource Recovery
Centres ie: Tips

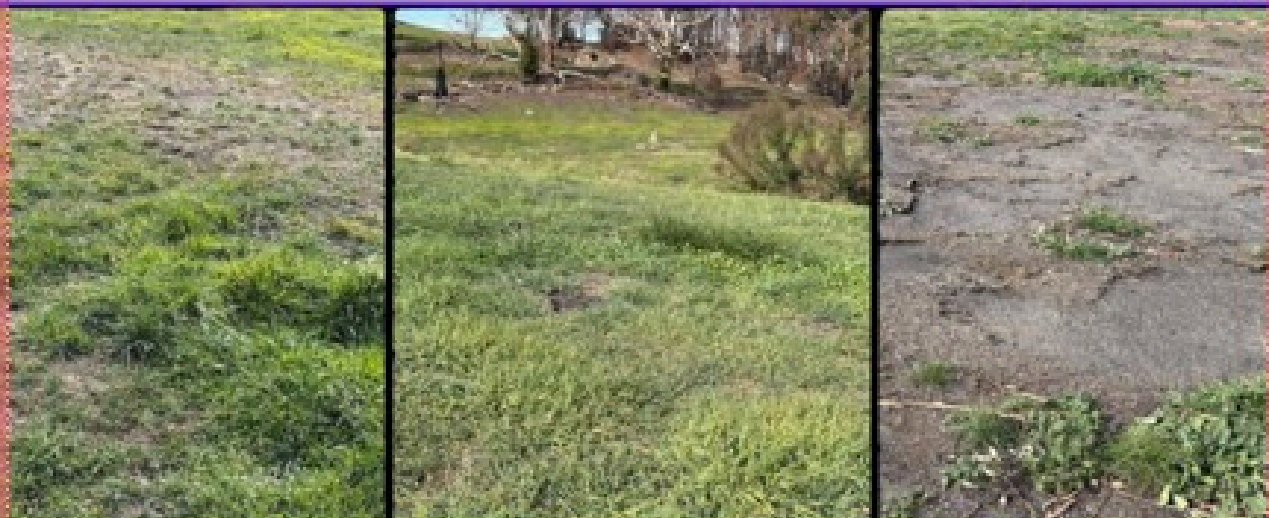
**has been extended until
June 30th!!**

Now for an increase in realistic funding
for Shires severely impacted by the
January fires as such funding would be
most welcome.



		What's On - May & June 2026	
	Details? See p.10	Monday 25th May @ 1pm	RUFFY VEGE GROWERS @ Sue & Craig's, 230 McLeans Rd, Ruffy Seed planting day. New members welcome. Enquires contact Cheryl on 0409 019763
	Details? See p.8	Monday 25th May @ 7.30	RUFFY CFA AGM @ Ruffy Fire Shed
		Tuesday 26th May @ 10.30	RUFFY'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA @ Tablelands Recovery Hub All welcome - gold coin donation for the Cancer Council
		Thurs. 28th May @ 5.30	SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS @ Michael K's 890 Caveat-Dropmore Rd All people in the district are welcome, pink note (\$5) donation towards BBQ, BYO & chat.
Details? See p.7	Sat. 30th May 10-4		FARMERS TOGETHER HEALTH & WELLBEING DAY @ Terip Rec Reserve Come along & participate in a variety of activities. Lunch with the Unbeatable Farmer too.
Details? See p.8	Sunday 31st May		BIG THANK YOU DAY @ Tablelands Fire Recovery Hub
	Monday 1st June @ 1pm		CRAFTERNOON RETURNS - YAY! @ the MASH tent, Ruffy Hall
	Monday 1st June @ 6.30		HIGHLANDS-CAVEAT CFA AGM @ Highlands Hall/Hub Everyone is welcome to attend.
	Thurs. 4th June @ 6pm		POT LUCK DINNER @ Terip Rec Reserve Please bring: a dish or dessert to share. BYO beverages. A great chance for the community to catch up, share a meal & keep the Terip spirit strong. Everyone is welcome.
	Friday 5th June @ 6.30pm		DRINKS on the DECK @ Highlands Hall/Hub YAY! It's back! Bring along finger food to share and enjoy the company of friends.
Details? see p.3	Wdd. 17th June 12 - 4pm		HCCC presents - RESET YOUR SOILS & PASTURES @ Terip Tennis Club Understand where you are up to and the next steps. Lunch provided RSVP required.
	Tuesdays only		PRIMARY CARE CONNECT @ Tablelands Fire Recovery Hub
	Sundays @ 11am		CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY GATHERING @ 44 Yorston Rd, Highlands This is a non-denominational meeting, Everyone is welcome to this calm, compassionate and open environment. Tea, coffee & lunch provided. Enquires? John - 0425 840999
	Every Second Wednesday 10-30-12.30		MURRINDINDI MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE @ Highlands Community Hall The Mobile Library visits the TGN area, based at the Highlands Hall every fortnight. Why not pop in? Forthcoming dates 27 th May and 10 th & 24th June.

HCCC presents



RE-SET YOUR SOILS & PASTURES

Understand where you're up to and next steps

- ✓ **Soil Assessment -**
What happens to soils after bushfire
- ✓ **Pasture Assessment -**
Assessing pastures and planning next recovery steps
- ✓ **Bring along -**
Soil test results and pasture photos if you have them

Speakers include:

David Hawkey, agronomist, Agrisci
Dr Cassandra Scheffe, soil scientist, Agrisci
Damian Adcock, agronomist, Barenbrug Seeds
Graham Martin, agronomist, Yenda Producers

LUNCH PROVIDED

Wednesday 17th June, 2026
12pm - 4pm

Terip Terip Tennis Club
8 Springs Road
Terip Terip



RSVP Rhiannon Sandford
0429 964 609
rhiannons@gbcma.vic.gov.au



This event is supported by the Goulburn Broken CMA through funding from the Natural Heritage Trust Climate Smart Agriculture Program

Letter to the Editor

Dear Highlanders (and other interested bods across the Tablelands),
Many of you who have been in Highlands prior to 1982 will have a copy of Helen McCall's terrific historical document, 'Highlands 1882-1982'. It was completed as part of the 100 year celebrations of Highlands, which is represented in the Stone Circle on the corner of Old Saleyard Lane and Ghin Ghin Road.

After the tragedy of our January bushfires I have met so many people who now call Highlands home and many have expressed an interest in knowing more about the history of this area.

Maybe it's time to find some funding to reprint Helen's fascinating document so that more people can read about the amazing pioneers who first settled this land, riding their ponies to school, finding innovative ways to generate electricity, growing all their food, it was a tough existence. There may be additional stories about the pioneers that you know about that could be added to this document.

Maybe it's also time to write the sequel, 1982 to now, before our memories fade completely!
If you are interested in contributing in some way to this project, contact me and we'll see what unfolds.

Warm regards,
Miranda Yorston
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miranda.yorston@gmail.com



Another Letter to the Editor

Murrindindi Shire Council has released a new video that visually captures the scale of devastation from the January 2026 bushfires and the ongoing recovery challenges in the region.

https://youtu.be/9V9wiKl0haU?si=dS_DBmEujPxncDin

The footage and data highlight:

- The extent of damage across homes, farms and infrastructure
- Significant agricultural and economic losses
- The impact on small towns and the visitor economy

Murrindindi was the hardest-hit municipality in the State, accounting for close to half of structural losses.

Despite this, the Shire has received only around 8 per cent of the recovery funding directed to councils, including the same Council Support Fund allocation as areas with substantially less damage.

The video provides a compelling case for reform, highlighting how current funding approaches do not reflect the scale or complexity of impacts in rural communities.

Regards,
Jo Hammond

BUSHFIRE RECOVERY COMMUNICATIONS
Murrindindi Shire Council

Further comments from Murrindindi's Mayor - Cr Damian Gallagher highlight the magnitude of the problem.

- "Frontline in the disaster, back of the queue in recovery - that has been the experience for Murrindindi," Cr Gallagher said.
- Cr Gallagher also said many residents were still navigating insurance, trauma, uncertainty and the complex path to rebuilding, in a community that has now faced major disasters in 2009, 2022, 2023, 2024 and again in 2026.
- A key issue is the use of uniform funding allocations across councils, which Murrindindi argues does not adequately reflect the scale, geography and complexity of impacts between regions.
- Cr Gallagher said this approach has had real consequences for recovery progress in rural communities.
- "Equal funding did not result in equal outcomes. Where impacts are widespread and communities are dispersed, recovery takes longer and needs more sustained support," said Cr Gallagher.
- Council is advocating for funding models that are based on verified impact, recognise regional differences, and support recovery over the longer term, not just the immediate response phase.



**** HIGHLANDS ****

The Hub @ the Highlands Hall is open
Wednesday 10am to 2pm & Saturday 9am to noon
1603 Ghin Ghin Road, HIGHLANDS VIC 3660
Email: thehighlandshub2026@gmail.com



The Hub has a NEW phone number - 0491 941005 - new messages will come from this number

Please note NEW opening times for the Hub
NEW TIMES Wednesday 10-2 and Saturday 9-12 NEW TIMES

WHAT'S ON AT THE HUB: THIS WEEK & BEYOND!

Hey Highlands community! We've got a massive week ahead with visiting services, social catch-ups, important insurance clinics, and an exciting community celebration. Here is everything you need to know:

PLEASE NOTE: OUR NEW HOURS

Our hours have changed to help us serve you better:

- Wednesday: 10am – 2pm
- Saturday: 9am – 12pm

CRITICAL NOTE: The Hub will be **CLOSED** this Saturday, May 30th for the UFO (UnFinished Objects) weekend! We can't wait to see what amazing projects you've been working on!
And planning ahead the Hub will also be **CLOSED** on Saturday ???

IMPORTANT: INSURANCE COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS

Do you want to talk directly to your insurer? The Insurance Council of Australia and insurers are travelling to regional Victoria to host one-on-one consultations for customers affected by the severe January bushfires. Bookings are highly recommended:

<https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule/6a43c42b>

- Tuesday, 26 May (9am – 3pm): Euroa Recovery Hub – 34 Railway Street, Euroa
- Wednesday, 27 May (10am – 4pm): Alexandra Shire Hall – 55 Grant Street, Alexandra

THE WEEKLY LINEUP

WEDNESDAY 27th MAY (Big Day at the Hub!)

- **GV Family Care | 10am – 1pm** If you're looking for a bit of guidance, the GV Family Care team will be on-site to offer a calm space to set goals and get connected with:
 - Case management & disaster legal help
 - Insurance advocacy & financial counselling
 - Health, wellbeing, and government grant registration
- **Primary Care Connect (Emergency Recovery Team) | 10am – 2pm** The PCC team is here to help navigate the aftermath of the fires. They are brilliant at connecting the dots & can assist with:
 - Applying for grants
 - Financial & Legal: Navigating insurance questions and financial hardship options.
- **Murrindindi Mobile Library | 10:30am – 12:30pm** The bookmobile is back in full swing! It's the perfect chance to restock your bedside table or grab some new reads for the kids. Come down and make use of this fantastic local service while they're parked at the Hub.

THURSDAY 28th MAY

- **Secret Men's Business | 5:30 PM @ Michael Kopanica's Place** A local favourite! This gathering is open to everyone in the community. A great chance to vent, laugh, and catch up.

***** Printed copies of TGN are now available from the box beside the notice board outside the hub *****

Contact: Andrea Bauer 0417 369 225



**** HIGHLANDS ****



SATURDAY 30th MAY: FOOTY & CELEBRATION!

We have some incredibly exciting news to share, Highlands! This coming Saturday, May 30th, our amazing friends at the Yea Tigers are hosting us for a very special presentation. Thanks to their incredible fundraising efforts for our bushfire recovery, they will be officially presenting us with a donation cheque!

- **Time: Around 3:30pm (during the Senior football half-time break)**
- **Where: Yea Recreation Reserve**

We don't have the final tally just yet - once it's locked in, we will absolutely share the grand total with everyone. But numbers aside, the generosity of this club is already legendary. Let's pack the sidelines! We want to invite all our local residents to head on down to the footy this Saturday, wear your support on your sleeve, and help us give a massive thank you to the Yea Tigers. Let's cheer them on loud and proud!

SAVE THE DATE!

- **Friday 5th June: Shire Community Dinner Bogan Bingo.** More details to come...

LAUNDRY : The Rotary Trailer is moving on to Ruffy, so currently there is one washing machine and dryer in the LAUNDRY ROOM within the rear toilet block. There is a view to adding a second machine and dryer depending on usage so please mark the record sheet each time you use it. The demand may increase due to the closure of the Yea Laundromat after a recent fire. **The key lock is attached to the door and the code is available from The Hub or Andrea 0417 269 225**



The Biggest Morning Tea

\$180 was raised for the Cancer Council of Australia through the generous donations of approximately 30 residents who indulged in the absolutely yummy morning tea treats provided by Brewers Table in Seymour. Tables were full and stories were shared over a cuppa.

Rural Aid representatives, Marg and Roger were present and became known to many establishing a point of contact for the future.

Rural Aid is Australia's leading charity supporting farmers, their families and rural communities. Across the country, we provide practical, timely and meaningful assistance through a team of passionate, committed professionals who understand the unique pressures of rural life. They provide counselling and wellbeing, financial, fodder and water assistance.

They also provide a magnificent colouring book that would be great for for painting and relaxation over the weekend

Contact 1300 327 624 for your own copy as well as future advice and assistance.



For Sale

Stihl Chainsaw MS291 18"
Bar
Excellent condition with new
spare chain.
\$700

Contact Lockie 0434 894 341

EXPRESSIONS of INTEREST

If any readers are interested in attending Pilates classes at the
Highlands Hall
(conducted by a qualified instructor)

RSVP ASAP to Mel 0498 643 608
indicating preferred day(s) and time(s)

The Terip Terip Recreation Reserve is proud to present the.....

Farmers* Together: Health & Wellbeing Day

*Big & small farmers, weekenders & bush blockers, lovers of gardens & environment

For You

Australian Skin Cancer Foundation – full-body clinical skin cancer checks. Bookings & Medicare card essential!

Alexandra Medical Centre - Flu Vaccinations – between 1 and 1:30pm. Bring your Medicare card

Alexandra District Health – The Murrindindi Mobile Health Van

Take some time to care for yourself with this great day out at The Rec

Saturday 30th May
10am to 4pm

Lunch with The
Unbreakable Farmer at
12:30pm

Activities

Euroa Arboretum – Building & Painting Nesting Boxes

Lions 201v5 District – Donations of plant cuttings, winter coats & beanies

Garden Centre Yea – Donation of tree seedlings and our memorial tree

Veggie Garden Table – Bring your surplus veggies/jams/eggs to share with the community.

Join us for **morning or afternoon tea**, come along to listen to one of our favourites – **The Unbreakable Farmer, Warren Davies** over a scrumptious Lunch



This event is supported by a Look Over the Farm Gate grant provided by Agriculture Victoria under the Victorian Government's 2025 Drought Support Package. #LookOverTheFarmGate



NATIONAL CENTRE FOR
FARMER
HEALTH

If you would like to book a skin cancer check, please use this booking link - <https://tinyurl.com/56tfn7x5>

TERIP CFA ELECTIONS

Terip Terip CFA will be holding its brigade elections over dinner on **Thursday, 18th June at 6:30pm.**

All Terip Terip CFA members are requested to attend.

Dinner will be provided.



Shannon Roach

Captain - Terip Terip Fire Brigade

DGO - Alexandra group

M: 0400 842009

E: shnon1@hotmail.com

HIGHLANDS UFO WEEKEND

Now celebrating its 20th year on 30th & 31st May there will be a hive of activity happening at the Highlands Hall on these days.

Those readers who were recently the recipients of beautiful handmade quilts may like to call in and either meet the lady who organised her quilting friends to create and donate or maybe one of the makers. 9-5 on Sat. 10-4 on Sun.





**** RUFFY & TERIP ****



TABLELANDS FIRE RECOVERY HUB - KEY DATES

MAY

Tuesday 26th May

The Biggest Morning Tea starts @ 10.30am all welcome gold coin donation

Friday 29th May

Recovery Committee Update & Community Dinner – 6pm start

Sunday 31st May

Big Thank You Day 12pm – 3pm (Bookings required)

All Welcome!

JUNE

Friday 12th June

Women's Night Event 6:00pm (Bookings required) All welcome!

Sunday 21st June

Kids & Family Day 12pm – 3pm Fun Activities (Bookings required) All welcome!

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1582692>



TABLELANDS FIRE RECOVERY HUB – WEEKLY SCHEDULE	
Kitchen & Hub Operations	
Monday:	Kitchen CLOSED
Tuesday:	HUB & KITCHEN OPEN
Wednesday:	Kitchen CLOSED
Thursday:	Kitchen CLOSED
Friday:	HUB & KITCHEN OPEN
Saturday:	Kitchen CLOSED
Sunday:	HUB & KITCHEN OPEN
Meals Available	
● Frozen meals available every day.	
● Fridge meals in outside glass-door fridge	
● Freezer stocked regularly with ready-to-heat meals	
Tuesday: All Services Attend	
● Primary Care Connect	
● Family Care	
● GV Health Psychologist	
● Other Visiting Services (Can vary week to week)	



Ruffy Country Fire Brigade CFA

Notice of AGM to be held on
Monday 25th May 2026 at 7:30pm
at the Ruffy Fire Shed
Nolans Road, Ruffy



Elections for all positions on the brigade management team will be held on the night.

Any enquiries to be forwarded to the

Secretary - Ann 0421 364 263

It's time to hit pause and say thank you for the support and action shown during and after the bushfires.

Come and relax at our thank you lunch

SUNDAY 31 May 26

RSVP at Tablelands Fire Recovery Hub, Nolans Road, Ruffy from 12.00noon

By 26th May through trybooking link
OR email - tablelandsrecovery@outlook.com

The Ruffy thank you lunch is supported by the Victorian Government

Meetings, Meetings and more Meetings

Emergency Management Victoria District Commissioner, Tim Wiebusch and Deputy Commissioner of Relief and Recovery, Mariela Diaz and Shire representatives attended the Highlands Hall last Thursday afternoon and spoke one on one with residents and also engaged in an open forum.

Discussions covered topics such as roadside management, rates, planning permits, funding, clean-up, temporary housing, current living conditions, increasing emergency resilience by improving infrastructure and community education and engagement.



Key Messages

- Call the Shire to discuss your planning intentions before submitting for a permit. This can facilitate fast tracking, and provide advice that may also save you lots of time and money.
- **Register for a dedicated case manager** who will provide assistance with recovery including clean-up, financial assistance, personalised problem solving and keep you up to date with information and assistance as it becomes available. This can be done face to face at the Highlands Hall on Wednesdays between 10-2pm, visiting the Yea Recovery Hub at the Yea Library from 10-3pm or by calling 1800 560 760.

Community Recovery Meeting

Following on from the Community Conversation Meeting the first gathering to discuss the formation of a community Recovery Group was held on Saturday May 23rd. The meeting was facilitated by Steve Pascoe, a Red Cross Disaster Mentor with personal experience of the Black Saturday Fire in Strathewen. 17 enthusiastic people attended and proposed the formation of a recovery subcommittee as part of The Highlands Relief Hub Incorporated. This is an exciting development that provides the platform for establishing what the community needs in recovery and developing a plan of implementation to provide what is needed. This relies on community feedback and engagement and opportunities for this will be available in the near future. Watch this space....



AND we used the new TV that has been installed at the Highlands Hall and it worked beautifully.



*** YAY - Crafternoon is BACK! ***

We, the TCC had quite a few enquires about our Crafternoon (which I am thrilled about) so we are starting up again, for the time being in the MASH tent at the Ruffy Hall.

The Date for your Diary is the first Monday of every Month 1pm onwards @ the MASH Tent - Ruffy Hall.

CRAFTERNOON RETURNS

The Tablelands Community Centre craftgroup "Crafternoon" is meeting again in our temporary venue.

Join us for an afternoon of creativity, conversation and relaxed company.

Bring along your knitting, crocheting, sewing, painting, paper crafts, any craft project you're working on - or simply come along for a cuppa and a chat.

Date: Monday 1st June 1pm onwards

Venue: MASH Tent at Ruffy Hall

3 Nolans Road, Ruffy

Contact: Gabriele 0402 335 840

We look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming new ones.
There is always room at Crafternoon!

Gabriele Papeneux
TCC Treasurer



Next Ruffy Veggie Group Gathering

**Monday 25th May @ 1pm
at Sue and Craig's 230 Mcleans Lane
Ruffy**

Seed Planting Day

Please bring any seeds & pots especially the square shaped ones (if they survived) as Graig prefers these. Compost for planting supplied.

Craig is happy to keep our plantings in his newly reconstructed green house over winter. So have a think about what you want to plant for late winter or spring and what we can grow for the community garden. Bring seeds and any equipment you find useful and something to share for afternoon tea.

As always new members welcome.

Enquires contact Cheryl on 0409 019763.



**As National Volunteers' Week
comes to a close a few stats
about just ONE group of
volunteers**

Volunteer fire brigades have been fighting fires in Victoria since the 1850s. But it wasn't until 1945 that bushfire and country fire brigades came together as one body: the CFA.

Today, the authority claims to be one of the largest volunteer-based organisations in the world, with more than 52,000 members in more than 1200 brigades.

This year on January 9th alone, crews attended almost 200 grass and scrub fires under catastrophic conditions. Between January 7th and 27th, more than 23,000 volunteers in 780 brigades responded to more than 3300 incidents across the state – many of them responding multiple times, despite work, family and other commitments.

Support came from far and wide.

The 1400 interstate and international firefighters who arrived to help included 56 firefighters from the Northern Territory, some of whom, after assisting at the Longwood fire which burned more than 132,000 hectares, donated animal feed and vouchers to help families in need.

Volunteers, no matter in what capacity, are amazing and absolutely ROCK!!

Thank you to all who continue to volunteer their time to help others - we couldn't live without you.



Safe Cat, Safe Wildlife

Presented by Landcare.



Learn about the importance of keeping cats safely contained indoors to keep native wildlife safe, with guest speakers from Landcare!

In this session they will discuss the importance of responsible cat ownership, the building of catios, local native wildlife, and more.

Euroa Library
Friday 29th May
11:00am



Bookings preferred!
Call 1300 374 765 or
Email euroa@gvlibraries.com.au

Online bookings via the QR code
or www.gvlibraries.com.au/events

62 Binney Street, Euroa
Tel: 1300 374 765
www.gvlibraries.com.au



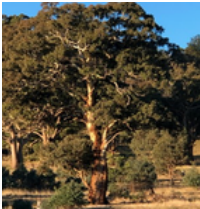
**1 JUNE 2026
SMOKE ALARM ACTION DAY**

ARE YOU SAFE?



**YOU LOCK YOUR
DOORS EVERY NIGHT...
BUT IS YOUR SMOKE
ALARM WORKING?**

It's time to **test it!**

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The Granite News is widely distributed on the lands of the Taungurung clans - First People of the Rivers and Mountains.

We thank the Taungurung ancestors and elders who, for millennia, have cared for this country on which we now live, work & play. May the current generations of Taungurung, HCCC residents & landowners continue this important custodianship into the future.