

# The Boolarra Link

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Join'd by Brendan  
on the slide



As he discovered Mickey is not a very good skateboarder

We have many photos from Mickey's visit to Boolarra on a wonderful spring day thru the paper can you spot him?



Tree climbing

## Folk Festival wins again!



L-R: Ray Stewart, Tracy Anderson,  
Rick Teychenne and Darren Cornell with  
the People's Choice Award.

The Boolarra Folk Festival won Most Popular Community Event 2013 at the Latrobe City Business Tourism Association Inc. People's Choice Awards for the third time in 4 years. The award was accepted on behalf of all those who contribute to making the festival such an enjoyable event.

If you would like to be involved in the Festival, please consider attending the AGM on Wednesday, 9 October 2013 at the Multi-Purpose Building at 7:30pm or maybe you could volunteer for a task on the day.

Kate Reiske



Fun in the park

## Mickey was in town



Enjoing hot chips  
from the Top shop



Mikey liked the swing



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at

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seeking expressions of interest  
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## **Considering getting involved with the Boolarra Link?**

We are seeking new members to produce our valued Boolarra Link. How much time do you have to spend? It is up to you - a few hours four times a year when we put it all together would help. The committee meets about 6 or 7 times a year for a few hours in the evening. On four occasions we read the Link just before it goes to print to make last minute corrections. As well, some general business will be discussed and this takes us about 1 ½ hours. Occasionally we have a general meeting and the AGM once a year. In between these meetings, we communicate via email.

What jobs are to be done?

- The editor - collects the articles and photos from the community, passes these on to the proof readers and photo editor, collects them back and designs the pages of the Link.
- Sub editor - assists the editor with some of the tasks (the fun page was produced by the sub-editor).
- The photo editor - has to touch up all photos and graphics, convert them to a printer friendly color scheme.
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- General committee members - assist with advice and ideas. The articles "Know your Locals" were written by general committee members.
- Secretary - collects mail/email and passes relevant information on, writes the Agenda and Minutes of meetings and distributes to committee members, sends out submission reminder notices.
- Assistant Secretary - collects submissions from the Post Office and types up hand written articles (usually 3 to 5 short articles).
- Occasionally we need to assist a community group with putting an article together or shorten an article that was too long.

At the moment we are 5 committee members and one community assistant to fill these 14 jobs above.

If you can help with a few hours for each edition this would ease the workload on all of us.

Come along to the AGM.

If you would like to offer a bit of help without committee membership, this is fine too, let us know what you can do.

# BOOLARRA MEMORIAL HALL

The Boolarra Memorial Hall AGM was held on Friday, 16 August 2013. The following Office Bearers were elected unanimously:-

**President**      **Robern Lubawski**

**Secretary**    **Roslyn Carstairs**

**Treasurer**    **John Lubawski**

**Public Officer** **Roslyn Carstairs**

Committee Members Elizabeth Black, Clayton Cupples, Kat Kershaw

The President acknowledged the continuing hard work and co-operation of the committee during 2012-2013 and the voluntary work of Bill Armstrong in maintaining the lawns and gardens. The Hall Committee also wish to acknowledge the time spent by Dave Grima on those niggling little plumbing repairs. The Committee regretfully accepted the resignation of Jeff Henderson. He has worked hard on the Committee and was heavily involved with the upgrading of the Hall kitchen to commercial standard. Jeff was also a great trouble shooter particularly when there was trouble with the stove.

The past year saw the Hall Committee successful in its grant applications. The Committee obtained a Minor Works Grant from Latrobe City Council enabling installation of a reverse cycle air conditioner for the stage area. Another improvement has been the installation of hand dryers in the Mens and Ladies toilets. We also obtained a Grant from Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation and had new secure cupboards built for the stage area. The cupboards are shared with the Theatre Group to secure more valuable equipment. We have also been fortunate to receive a \$500 grant annually for 3 years from the Bendigo Community Bank. This will go towards the Memorial Garden around the Hall and Memorial Rock. Also these funds will assist with renovation of the Hall flag pole and in the run-



ning of the Anzac Service in Boolarra. All these grants are much appreciated by the Hall Committee. They make our job so much easier.

We organised Devonshire Teas & Waffles during the Folk Festival and morning and afternoon tea for the Community Art Exhibition. Many thanks to the kind friends who donated a plate of goodies towards this. These funds enable the Hall to pay those tricky big bills.

The biggest plus the Hall has had during 2012-2013 was the installation of the solar panels. This has eased the very high power bills we were experiencing before the panels were installed. This has allowed us to extend the value of your heating dollar.

The Community of Boolarra are indeed fortunate to OWN such a facility as the Boolarra Memorial Hall. Hiring rates are very reasonable and the Hall is light and airy, an excellent venue for that next big function. The Hall also has a com-

mercial kitchen which can be hired for a reasonable rate and a large stage/meeting room with a reverse cycle air conditioner to add to your comfort.

We are pleased the Theatre Group continues to use the Hall and likewise the Exercise Group. Don't forget there are excellent table tennis tables available and indoor bowls

equipment. All it costs is \$10 an hour and you can have a very pleasant morning or afternoon activity. There is a small kitchen off the foyer where you can make a cuppa all at no extra charge. Just check the booking register at the shop.

Next Hall Meeting Thursday, 16 October 2013 at 7:30pm at the Hall.

*Roslyn Carstairs*  
Secretary

## CALLING ALL LOCAL BUSINESSES

The Boolarra Link is putting together a business directory to be published in the upcoming December issue, and we need your help.

If you know of, work for or own a business located in Boolarra, Budgerie or Yinnar please let us know:

- The name of the business,
- Type of business (for example, berry grower),
- Address, and
- Contact details.

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0418530682, or pop the details in an envelope and send it to us at The Boolarra Link C/- The Boolarra Post Office.

Our intention is to list these businesses in a insert in the December edition. We want to encourage everyone in the local area to buy local. There is no charge for basic listing a business in this directory. Alternatively, if you want to stand out more, we will print your business name in bold for \$25, or you can purchase a one year ad subscription in the newspaper and you will automatically be placed in the centre of the directory. Prices for purchasing an ad start from \$38. Contact Luke on 0418 530 682 for further details.



# Boolarra Cemetery Trust

On 18 July 2013, members of the Boolarra Cemetery Trust hosted a dinner at the Churchill Hotel to honour Ross Hall for his 41 years of service to the community. The dinner was attended by Trust members, members of the Boolarra community and Ross' family members – his wife Daisy, his siblings – Gwenda, Alister and Bruce; Ross' children Leanne, Matthew and Russell and his grandchildren.

On 12 June 1972, Ross Hall was nominated by the Boolarra Cemetery Trust to fill a vacancy on the Trust. His appointment was confirmed by the Governor-in-Council on 30 August 1972.

Ross' father, Alan Hall, retired from the Cemetery Trust on 19 September 1983, after 44 years of service. Ross was immediately elected as Secretary/Treasurer in his father's stead and continued in this position until 9 May 1989.

Ross has now retired after 41 years of service to the community. His knowledge of local history has been invaluable in tracing the history of the Cemetery and in answering enquiries from people endeavouring to trace their family trees.

During his time on the Trust, Ross has been part of the following achievements –

- The marking by a plaque of graves in the Monumental Section lacking a headstone.
- The establishment of the Lawn Section.
- The building of the Gazebo.
- The establishment of the Remembrance Garden.
- The building of the Enviro Toilet and the Storage Shed/Water Tank and the establishment of the Monumental Lawn Section.

Councillor Darrell White presented Ross with a Certificate of Service from the Department of Health, who administer the Cemetery Trusts in Victoria. The Manager of the Cemeteries and Crematoria Unit wrote as follows:

“Please convey my appreciation to Mr. Hall for the significant contribution and voluntary service that he has made to the community and the State of Victoria as a member of the Boolarra Cemetery Trust”.

The President, Ian Blake, presented Ross with a card signed by all present, together with an ABC Gift Voucher. The Secretary then presented Ross' wife Daisy with a box of Singapore Orchids as a thank you for her years of support.

On behalf of the community of Boolarra, the

Trust thanks Ross Hall for his dedicated service over 41 years and honour him for his achievements.

Glenys Morgan  
Secretary



At the cemetery



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## BOOLARRA GARDEN CLUB

The colder and wetter weather has meant a lot less time is spent in our gardens. With some blossom appearing, we have the promise of Spring and we will all be hard at work, especially those who are having gardens open in November.

Our June outing was to Cranbourne Botanical Gardens, always a popular place to go as there is so much to see. The new part of the gardens was of particular interest as most had not seen that. In July we had a soup lunch, as usual with some interesting soups to try. We did not have our trade table because we are going to have a plant stall with the Open Gardens so we are saving our plants for the stall.

Quite a few members are away seeking the sun and so only a small group went to Bulleen Art Garden and the Greenery Nursery in August. They did manage to do some shopping and had more space to bring their goodies home than is often the case. We will look forward to seeing the results of the shopping beautifying the gardens in a month or so. In the meantime happy gardening!

Denise Schiller  
on behalf of the Garden Club





## BOOLARRA SOUTH LANDCARE GROUP

At last we have been able to have a bit of a breather from the work associated with our Caring for our Country community action grant. After conducting 25 workshops and lots of camera monitoring, weed removal and planting, we needed to take a break. Linda has been spending a lot of time dotting i's and crossing t's to get this project audited and signed off. It has

been red tape at its best! It has included the publication of a booklet of information about our work and forwarding 25 copies off to Canberra. Hopefully, we have done everything now and we can sit and enjoy it for a bit.

We have investigated obtaining funding for on-going maintenance of our projects and find that there really has not been any thought put into this aspect of funding. It would seem obvious that once work is



done, maintenance will be needed. I read recently that the Grand Strzelecki Track Group estimates they need \$60,000 a year to maintain the track and they are in trouble too! How quickly that track will deteriorate if it can't be maintained. Then all the money and effort invested in the project will be wasted. The same will happen with all our smaller projects and a lot of time and money has been expended.

Our most recent work has included planting of seedlings in the forest near the Mill Site and at the decommissioned Gippsland Water site on Young Street. We planted 1000 seedlings at the Gippsland Water site in conjunction with GippsTafe students, Gippsland Water and Dept. of Primary Industry & Environment (DOPIE). With the help of Malcolm and the Tafe students, the 1000 seedlings were planted in a few hours. The ground provided some challenges and John had to produce a steel spike to help us knock the stakes into a lot of it. This planting will ensure that the site returns to a forest eco system and recovers rather than deteriorates. We had an interesting mix of plants to provide habitat and encourage biodiversity and ensure that we don't get a degraded site as long as the kangaroos and wombats stay away for a while!

Denise Schiller Publicity Officer



Photo below and on right:  
Tafe students and Landcare members planting the Gipps  
Water site in Young Street 2



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*Mick Schiller with seat base which he retrieved from the river at Apex Park*

# FRIENDS OF THE UPPER MORWELL RIVER FALLS

The Friends' focus has turned to Apex Park and we are concerned about its deterioration. This has been a great amenity in the area for many years, but since the decline of Apex Club it has been largely ignored for any maintenance. It features on free camping websites and publications and is becoming even more popular for camping. Last December there were 32 campers there and 10 camp sites. It is also a popular fishing and picnic area for locals as access to the river is good. John and Jill Parker have been its' volunteer custodians, pulling weeds, removing rubbish and slashing the grass. However, it is their intention to head back to NSW so other ways of maintaining the area need to be developed.

The drainage requires urgent attention as the big muddy puddles are an attraction for some bikes and this of course only adds to the problems. If we could make an entrance track in and a car park near the picnic settings, that would protect much of the area from wheel tracks. The bank down from the road also provides a challenge for some drivers and that is in a poor state. The two concrete picnic settings have also been vandalised, there are no benches left and the tables have been broken. We have developed an action plan, but of course need some funds because a machine will be needed to level and create drains on the site. We

would like to reinstate the picnic tables and protect them from vandalism if we can. Re-vegetating the road side bank might also help

preserve it. Our plans really only concern a very small section of this park. Most of it would still provide good open space for campers, horse floats and caravans. Past infrastructure included a shelter and toilet but they have just been destroyed, so unfortunately, it seems pointless to try to put anything like that back.

Catheryn Thompson has finalised our plan and we are ready to get some quotes for the work we think needs doing. She will provide copies of this to the Dept. of Primary Industry & Environment (DOPIE) who are responsible for the river reserve and to the BCDG and any others who might be helpful in getting this off the ground. Then, of course, we need to investigate funding options. It may take a while!

Denise Schiller



*Mick Schiller retrieving vandalised seats from the Morwell River at Apex park*

*The little falls at Apex Park - August 2013. Photo by C.H. Thompson*



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# Yinnar & District Community Garden

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Pruning Rules from Alan Broughton

- Cut out dead wood

- No stubs!
- Remove touching branches
- Prune to suit the fruiting pattern
- Create multiple branching in young trees
- The more pruning you do, the more you need to do.

Fruit Tree Pests – tips

- Grow lots of things with your fruit trees - this encourages diversity & that helps controls pests
- Codling Moth – use a predator trap (molasses and water in a jar, place in the tree with oil on top – male moths stick and die in it). Wrap bands of hessian and cardboard around trunk and replace at Mid Dec and repeat several times. Take all fruit off for one year and that can break the cycle. Have chooks with your trees!
- Woolly Aphids – found on apples. Encourage small birds - they will clean out the lot. Spray with Soap and water and/or water and oil when they appear.
- Green and Black Aphids – don't use fresh manure or phosphate. Use Neem soap & flour in an emergency. White oil is good. Coffee grounds. Chooks!
- Pear and Cherry slug – Chooks! Dust with lime or ash. Usually after fruiting.
- Apple and Pear scab – compost and compost tea. Hydrated lime spray. Copper or sulphur sprays (however, take care as copper can kill beneficial insects and soil fungi).

The next workshop will be on



*The Espalier, Pruning & Grafting workshop held at Yinnar & District Community Garden - with Alan Broughton*

Propagation with Horticulturalist Peter Gardener who will assist in organising the greenhouse and setting up seedlings of vegies, fruit and natives. In October we'll have Preserving Queen, Cheryl Wragg, who'll be demonstrating traditional preserving and explaining the Vacola equipment and techniques to get your pantry full. Cheryl even preserves citrus!

If you haven't visited the garden in a while, do drop in, as there's always something happening. Currently a gazebo is being constructed by Peter Stasinowsky based on a Zen design by Sari Anderson, a mosaic picnic table and benches constructed by an ARC class under Paul Jesse is near in situ and the winter vegies are starting to bulk up. Lots of rain means it's a good time to lend a hand weeding a bit and you'll be rewarded with luscious herbs and greens. Working Bees are held, weather permitting, in the garden on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 1:00pm-4:00pm and now we have a hot-house to warm up in too.

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*Huge globe artichokes growing in Yinnar & district community garden. Photos by Cath Thompson*

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## Boolarra Stompers

The year is almost over and the Relay is next month. We have had a few fundraisers and all have been a reasonable success. We started with the Pie Drive and as is usually the case, we sold lots of pies from Out of Dough. Our next was a book sale, from all the books that people have donated to our cause. We must thank Roborn for being the cashier on that day. We then decided to have another sale on the day of the Folk Festival and did very well. We also were very lucky in that we had money donated from the horse and jinker rides at the Folk Festival. Some of the Stompers rostered themselves on to help out that day and I thank you all for that. We also had an Easter Basket Raffle as well as a Mothers Day raffle and a big morning tea at Boolarra and we had a really good turn-out. Our last one for the moment was when Lois had her hair shaved as well as a book stall on election day at the hall.

The Stompers would like to extend their thanks to everyone who supported us for this event and made wonderful donations. Every bit helps, whether it's large or small so thank you. The result of all these events is pleasing to say the least.

We have quite a few members again this year but the invitation is there to anyone who would like to join us, the more the merrier, and you are helping to raise money for Cancer Research. You can do this yourself online or come into the Post Office and see Gwenda. It only costs \$20.00 per person and you get a shirt for that. This year's shirts are made of nice fabric so should be cooler as they will breathe better.

This year's Latrobe Valley Relay is on 19 and 20 October 2013 at Gaskin Park, Churchill starting at 4:00pm. It's a lot of fun with lots going on during the night. Remember last year we won the Miss Relay contest. Good on you Phyllis, you did us proud.

We have an ongoing 5 cent coin box on the P.O. counter and that keeps on filling so please remember to save those little coins and donate them to us. We still have some books left to buy.

O. K. that's it from me for now. I hope everyone is over Winter. Let's get out there walking to get our bodies used to it by the time the Relay happens. Stay warm and I'll catch you on the flip-side.

*Gwenda Pither*

*Team captain for the Boolarra Stompers.*

## BOOLARRA FRIENDS OF THE



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In July, we had a "Clayton's" AGM (the one you have when you're not having one!) It is great to get together with friends from other branches and to hear all the details of the latest project. Our guest speaker, Des Dowie, mentioned the need for blankets (among other things) and this information was passed on to the Boolarra Wool Group. A very big "THANK YOU" to the Wool Group, who had been knitting squares and/or strips and joining them to make blankets; the Wool Group donated the completed colourful blankets to the Red Cross. Well done, ladies!

August saw the 3rd Annual Big Cake Bake and the Red Cross ladies baked away, as this has been very popular and successful in the last two years. Unfortunately, we had one of the worst days weather-wise this winter – the weather was FERAL and we don't blame people for not coming out in it! Nevertheless, we still managed to raise \$240.00 on the day, left over cakes and slices have been frozen for our next fund-raiser in September – Bev's Fashions.

*Glenys Morgan*  
*Treasurer*

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**Cheers for now.**

**Gwenda, Roger and Staff.**





# Grand Ridge Rail Trail

I'm writing on behalf of the Grand Ridge Rail Trail Committee of Management with an update on what's been happening with the rail trail in recent times.

- Students from the GETT centre in Traralgon have been volunteering their time on the Rail Trail cleaning gutters, clearing fallen branches and preparing an area for planting of 200 trees. The students are aged between 16 - 21, with one of the groups having mild intellectual disability and another group disengaged from the mainstream education system for various reasons. They have made a fantastic contribution to keeping the trail in good condition and the committee very much appreciates their work and looks forward to working with them in the future.
- South Gippsland Landcare and Junior Landcare in conjunction with students from Mirboo North Secondary College planted around 2500 trees along the trail and at the Darlimurla station site in an effort to replace some of the vegetation destroyed by the 2009 fires.
- New bollards in Boolarra Railway Park have been installed to replace damaged ones.
- Hitching rails for horses and ponies have been installed at Boolarra Railway Park and Darlimurla Station.



Observing the high flow of the river after all the recent rain.



- The old Rail Trail sign at Railway Park in Boolarra has been identified as being rotten at the base and needing removal. The sign will be cut down, made safe and reinstalled at a location to the side of the trail.

*Luke McGrath*  
Secretary

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## Boolarra Post Office Natters

Football is over for this year. Now for the cricket and tennis.

Spring is here. We had a mixed winter which ended miserably with the really cold days.

We did get some lovely days as well and people flocked to the park on the weekends. It was great to see different family groups in the park. The new Gazebo is getting a work-out as well and that's a good thing. I hear there are lots of things happening about the place at present. Different groups keeping active in their fundraising and so on. Were you around on election day to see Lois lose her locks? Wasn't it fun! The money raised will help the Cancer Council for research.

There are quite a few new faces around town at the moment. It's nice to welcome new people to our town. We hope they stay a while and get involved in the community.

We hear the lawn mowers getting a work-out now on the fine days. It's like we don't have enough to do without having to try to keep up with the grass as well.

The Stompers are taking part in their Relay in a few weeks time at Churchill. We all hope they have had a successful year.

That's it for now. More closer to Christmas.

Enjoy the Spring.

*Gwenda*



Visiting Gwenda at the Post Office



Michelle Birkbeck & Chris Wareham were both too chicken to pose with Mickey at the Top Shop!



# BOOLARRA MEN'S Shed shavings



Our shed is now an Incorporated Association in its own right. The word is spreading and membership now stands at 27, with a vast array of interests and talents among the regular attendees at the Shed. Regular Monday BBQ's always draw a hungry crowd, with contributions from various sources. Cookie Stan sizzles the sausages and Lou's Luscious Apple Pie is also loved.

We've had a couple of shedders on the sick list recently. Lawrie's ladder fall was a timely warning to us all, but thankfully he's now recovered. Ladder falls account for some worrying statistics in hospital attendance and injuries and we urge all ladder users to exercise great care and attention.

John Stewart has been on the sick list for some weeks and we've missed his stories at the shed - get well John. It's not all work at the shed, although plenty of that goes on. Fellowship and fun are a focus, especially at smoko and lunch and humour is the best medicine and dished out in liberal doses, particularly by some of our older members.

Members are working in various projects and some of these were on display and for sale at the stall held on election day. The Shed needs to be self-supporting to cover expenses, so if you have a fund-raising suggestion for Shed members, please let us



L to R: Lou Sigmund, Malcolm Thompson & Steve Mansfield.

know. Whilst we have several community projects planned, the Shed would love the opportunity to quote or manufacture some small projects.

As part of our winter fund raising we held two (2) wood raffles. Tickets for each raffle were divided equally between the Post Office and The Top Shop. A total of 100 tickets per raffle were sold at \$2.00 each.

The winner of the first raffle was Fary Mills and Doug Hill won the second raffle. Thank you to everyone who supported the raffles and we look forward to your continued support next year.

In late July the Shedders assisted the Rail Trail Wednesday Warriors in replacing the Railway Park Bollards, followed by the obligatory BBQ. Joint projects such as this are great for extending fellowship and community spirit. Maybe we can encourage shed participation on Twilight Bowls too, as

suggested by Abbas.

If you're a man interested in gardening, we could use your expertise at the Shed. There'll be plenty of help, we just need someone with vision and knowledge to guide us with preparation and planting of vegie gardens and aesthetics.

The possibilities for activities at our Shed are endless, so come on down, join in, suggest and participate. You'll be given a warm welcome.

Jeff Henderson  
President



Mickey with Lawrie Havrilay at the mens shed



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Boolarra Primary School August 2013  
Woolworths Earn and Learn Program

Thanks to community members who collected tokens for us, resulting in 9000 points to spend on learning resources! Teachers will select items most needed with delivery early next year.

#### Murder Most Fowl

Our students have reprised this production last staged in 2003, with added new characters (Stew Pid, Ben Dover and Noah Deer) and gags. The story is set at Bedlam Primary School where Principal Percy Cute has been murdered, with the school's pet chicken used as the murder weapon. Sheila Holmes and Chief Inspector Clue Less attempt to solve this crime. All students from prep to grade 6 will be involved, singing songs such as "We don't need no education", "Itsy bitsy teeny weeny yellow polka dot bikini", "Do you hear the people sing?" and "Rock around the clock". The show will be staged in Boolarra Memorial Hall; matinee performance at 1:00pm on Wednesday, 18 September 2013 and evening performance at 7:30 pm on Thursday, 19 September 2013. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Purchase in advance by contacting the school on 5169 6471. Tickets \$7.00 each for adults and \$5.00 each for concession card holders. All money raised will allay some costs of staging this production.

#### Bike Ed Program

Cycling is fabulous recreation and environmentally friendly, healthy travel. However, country roads can be very dangerous for cyclists. Our grade 3-6 students have their bicycles and helmets checked against safety standards, are drilled in safe cycling and road rules. This intensive program concludes with a celebratory Rail Trail bike ride and the selection of our team which will

compete at the LV Bike Ed Challenge on 12 September 2013, where we've had significant past success. We are grateful to all parents who assist us with this program.

#### Girls' Footy Team

Ten of our girls joined with eight Yinnar girls to form a team that won through to compete in the State Semi-finals.

We were impressed with the dedication and commitment our girls showed towards training and



Some Bike Ed action



Murder Most Fowl Rehearsals

skill development. At the State finals they played in a howling gale against teams from metropolitan schools with enrolments of 700 plus, the only other rural school withdrew. Our team comprised

Grade 4 girls, whilst the opposition teams were from Grade 6, towering over many of our girls. Despite losing both their games our team tackled ferociously, showed great character and sang beautifully on the bus ride home!

#### Environment Week

Our Junior School Council liaised with General Studies Coordinator, Ms Finley Smith and Gardening Guru, Ruth Heislars to mark the week 26 to 30 August 2013. We staged assembly debates on the topics "Everyone should be a vegetarian" and "We do all that we can to support the environment at Boolarra Primary School". Environmentally

friendly action was undertaken school wide and every grade set up plots in our vegetable garden. We hope to cook harvested produce in our new kitchen.

#### Life Skills Kitchen

Local carpenter Jay Thomson did a super job creating our Life Skills Kitchen. Senior students will now set up the kitchen using the existing cooking equipment and identify what else we need. Then cooking classes will commence and strengthen their nutrition knowledge, building important literacy and numeracy skills in the process.

#### Grade 3-6 Camps

3/4s will be going to Forest Lodge Camp from Monday, 11 November 2013 to Wednesday, 13 November 2013. 5/6s will be going to Ballarat (Paxhill Scout) Camp from Tuesday, 19 November 2013 to Friday, 22 November 2013. Narracan and Thorpdale PS students will also attend.

#### Camp Fundraising

Enterprising students are undertaking fundraising at school to assist their Camp costs. They have been selling delicious homemade Spiders, Chocolate Crackles and Cup Cakes and washing cars. They have demonstrated superb teamwork and organizational skills.

Thanks Matt!

Our newest building had very complex electrical systems which often meant lights and heaters not working. Many other schools have (continuing) similar problems. Local electrician Matt Clough worked long and tirelessly to unravel the mysterious wiring and got our lights working. We are grateful to Matt for persevering and solving these problems at no charge.

#### Junior School Council News

Milo and raisin toast fundraising sales this term will benefit the Boolarra Stompers' fundraising Walk for a Cure Relay.

Leanne Emond



Some of our Senior Girls' Football team



## BOOLARRA PRE-SCHOOL



Yet another action packed couple of months at kinder! We've seen the kids drawing treasure maps which led to an adventurous treasure hunt around the kinder grounds, many little treasure chests filled with lots of treasure found their way home.

Mrs Williams has been very busy creating a fantastic dinosaur park complete with plastic dinosaurs and jungle plants for the kids to enjoy in the kinder yard. Lots of cooking has been happening this term which has seen the kids enjoying roasted rosemary chips, soups, pancakes and spaghetti bolognese.

The kids had a ball at their dress up day. We saw a mixture of pirates, fairies, crocodiles, goldilocks and many more. On Thursday, 15 August 2013 the kids were super excited to interact with some native creatures from Wildlife Xposure. These included a possum, parrot, owl, lizard, frog, turtle, non-venomous python and a baby crocodile. A fun time was had by all the kids.

On the 27 August 2013 the Early Connections with Nature team visited to teach the kids how to pot a plant which they took home to grow.

On Thursday 29 August 2013 our hardworking teachers stayed back after hours to host 'blokes night'. This gave the kids a chance to invite dad to come and spend time with them at kinder from 6:00pm-7:00pm.

Cadbury's fundraising chocolates are still being sold so if anyone would like to sell a box just contact



The next step for our pre-schoolers



Tammy and she'll bring one to kinder for you.

A reminder that Latrobe City are currently taking enrolments for next year, so if you haven't received an enrolment pack yet be sure to contact them on 1300 367 700.

*Tammy Richards*







## FUN & GAMES PAGE

The Masked Lapwing is also known as the Spuwinged Plover.

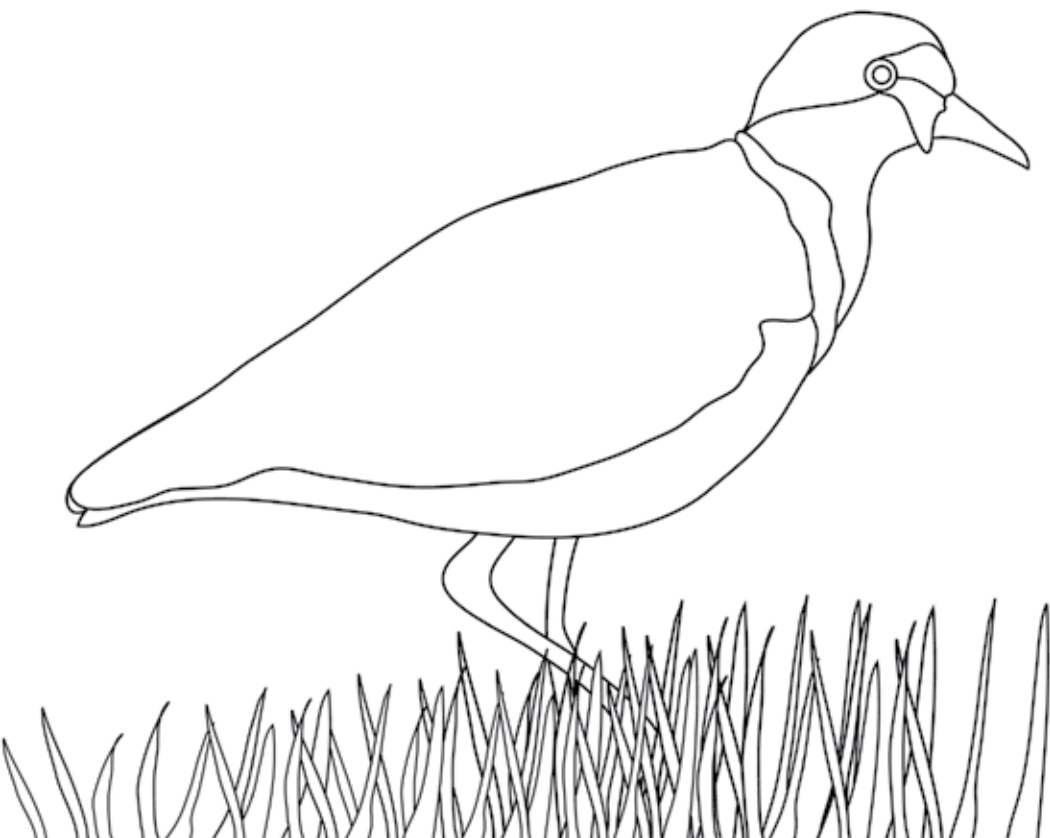
It is white on the underneath of its body with black and brown feathers on its wings and head.

It has yellow wattles covering the face, and a thorny spur that projects from the wrist on each wing. The spur is yellow with a black tip.

It is found in open paddocks and near water both fresh and salt and has an eerie call.

When nesting it is very aggressive protecting its nest and young with the spur on its wing.

It is often confused with the Hooded Plover which is an endangered bird that inhabits the beaches of Gippsland.

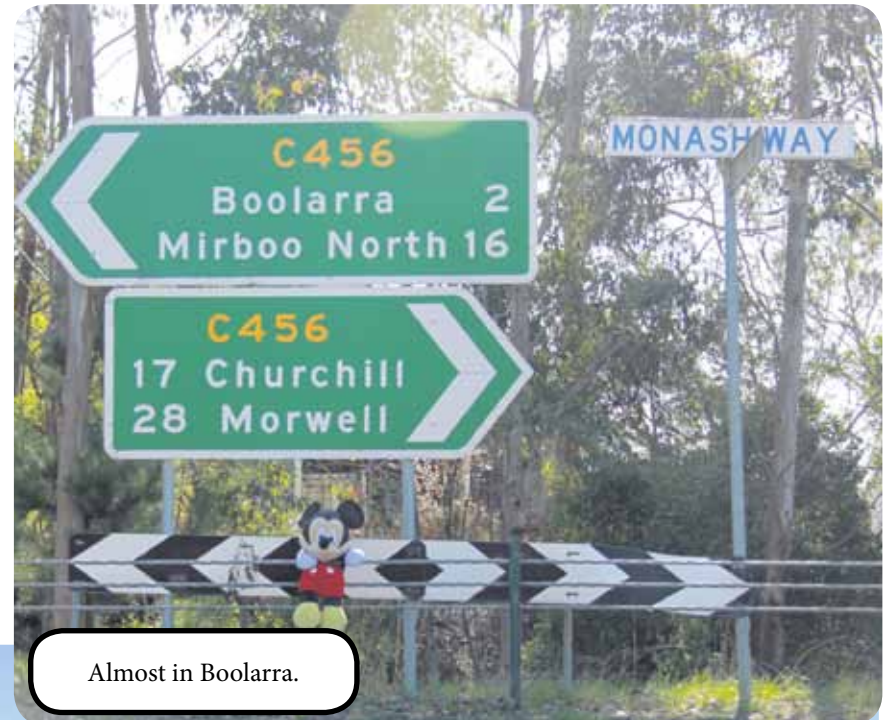


## BOOLARRA BUSHWALKERS

The Boolarra Trail Blazers have had a wet winter and have struggled to do some outdoor walks. However, we have managed the Lyre Bird Walk, the Heyfield Wetlands, Lake Hyland at Churchill and of course the tracks in the Boolarra State Forest.

If it does rain on Thursday morning, we still meet at the Boolarra Football ground and do a dash around the oval between showers or even some walking in the Nissen Hut. Whatever the weather we still have a good time and keep fit. There's a great morning tea and lots of companionship. If you would like to join us, please meet at 9:00am on Thursdays at the Footy Club or ring John Lubawski for news on 5169 6494.

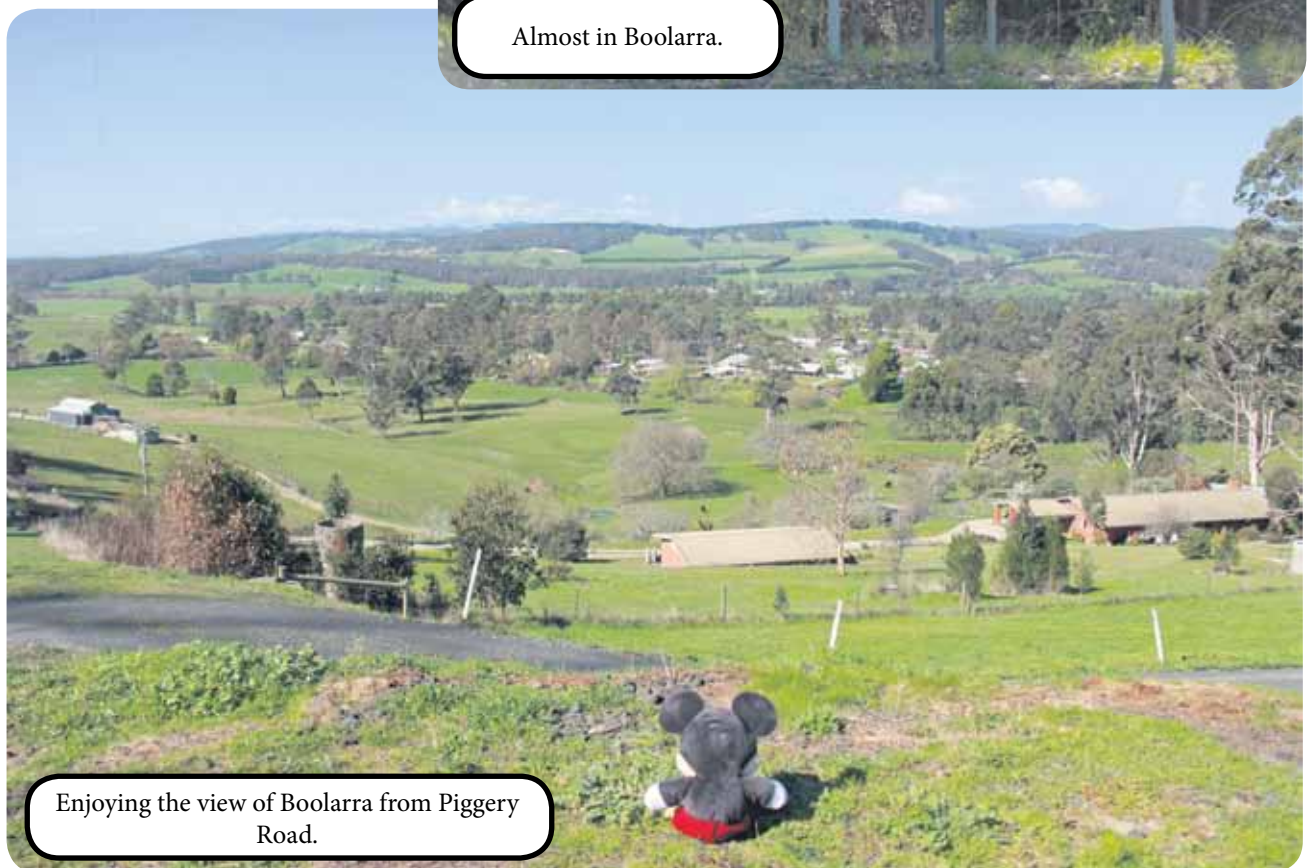
If this rain keeps up we might be practising water skiing (or even scuba diving!).



Almost in Boolarra.



Seeing if he could see any goldfish at the Boolarra fish farm.



Enjoying the view of Boolarra from Piggery Road.



# Why Do I love Lawn Bowling?



Before I came to Boolarra in October 2010, I had never played lawn bowls. As a matter of fact, I always made fun of the people with white uniforms rolling bowls on a green field. One day, in January 2011, I went to the Boolarra Bowling Club and introduced myself to a group of people rolling bowls on the green grass and to those who were sitting outside of the green watching the rolling bowls. Someone asked me if I had ever played bowls (which I answered no) and if I wanted to roll a bowl. I accepted the offer and, after a brief instruction, I rolled a few bowls and fell in love with it.

This initial tryout made me recollect some of my happy childhood memories. I remembered that we used to play with round and flat rocks, in a way similar to the lawn bowling, and we competed with each other to prove our ability to get our flat rocks as close to the round one as possible.

This try out and subsequent participation in the games actually made me be a child again, having so much fun looking at the bowl rolling on the grass and approaching the little round bowl called the kitty. Sometimes, I like to jump up and shout out loud when my bowl touches the kitty; of course only if those polite bowlers, who are concentrating on rolling their bowls, are not around!!

Since my involvement with the Boolarra Club and practising and participating in the lawn bowling

competitions, I have improved in many aspects of my life. I have become mentally and physically healthier than before. I am more positively active; I feel that I can dedicate more efficient time to my creative work. I have realised that it is so mind refreshing to go out and play bowls after working alone for a while in my studio.

Lawn bowling is a popular, social, healthy, and enjoyable outdoor sport. Traditionally, it was sport for older age people; however, within the last decade or so, many younger generations have been attracted to this sport and have achieved national and international recognition. To play a game of bowling is enjoyable and, at the same time, challenging. It requires precision, control, and coordination; however, it is so unpredictable, which makes this sport exciting, and exhilarating.

Lawn bowling has so many health benefits, especially for a grumpy old man like me. It improves body and mind co-ordination, fitness and wellbeing. It enhances our positive feeling towards ourselves, others, environment and life as a whole. It increases our confidence; therefore, it improves our social ability to interact, connect, support and be supported by others.

I highly recommend all members of our community to come to our Club and give it a go, take off your shoes and roll the bowl and enjoy the sunshine.

Abbas Mehran



## Oxymorons

‘Ever noticed that it's simply impossible to find seriously funny oxymorons online? The only choice is to ask one of those paid volunteers at the library – the ones in the long-sleeved T-shirts – for an original copy of some obviously obscure documents that were found missing amongst some paperwork almost exactly one hundred years ago.’

...Notice anything strange about the paragraph above? It makes some sort of sense, yet it's riddled with amusing contradictions (in bold). These are oxymorons.

Here are some more:

open secret	jumbo shrimp	clearly confused	active retirement	dead livestock	least favourite
unbiased opinion	plastic glasses	alone together	adult children	deliberate mistake	light heavy-weight
larger half	definite maybe	even odds	agree to disagree	friendly fire	
virtual reality	deafening silence	liquid gas	amicable divorce	female gunman	limited freedom
bitcoin	tragi-comedy	exact estimate	artificial grass	holy war	living fossil
freezer burn	working holiday	rolling stop	authentic replica	idiot savant	management action
act naturally	crash landing	wealth effect	clean coal	invisible ink	negative growth
noble savage	removable sticker	resident alien	silent alarm	social outcast	vegetarian meatballs

...Adapted with thanks from <http://www.fun-with-words.com/index.html> and <http://www.oxymoronlist.com/>

## BOOLARRA BOOK CLUB



Whilst it's been a long wet winter, it has meant there is more time to read books. A good motto for us is “weed when the sun shines, read when it rains”. We have read some excellent books – ‘The Shipping News’ about winter in Greenland (and we thought it was cold here!) “March” – Little Women’s father’s time at the Civil War and

watched two excellent films - “The Shipping News” (great scenery) and “The Life of Pi”. We also spent a session discussing a favourite book and sharing ideas (and books) around.

We meet at 4:30pm on the first Monday of each month, discuss the book over a cup of tea and

then stay for a light tea and more talk.

If you’re interested in joining please ring Robern on 5169 6494. It’s a great night.

Robern Lubawski





# GTK NEWS

## Rev. Lynn in USA

At the time this issue of the Link is published, Rev. Lynn Fowler will either still be in the USA, or will have just returned from her ministry trip there. Look for news about the trip in the next issue of the Link.

## Conference

Glory to the King Ministries International's annual conference will be held at Glory to the King Christian Community on the weekend of 18 – 20 October 2013. Sessions will be at 7:30pm on Friday then 9:30am, 1:30pm and 7:30pm on Saturday, and 10:00am and 2:00pm on Sunday. The Saturday night session will be a missions night, featuring the work of some of GTKMI's affiliated ministers in Africa and Asia and the final session on Sunday will include the ordination of GTKMI's first new Australian pastors. All are welcome to attend. Admission is free, but offerings will be taken.



Liezel, 6, is one of the children living on the dumpsite

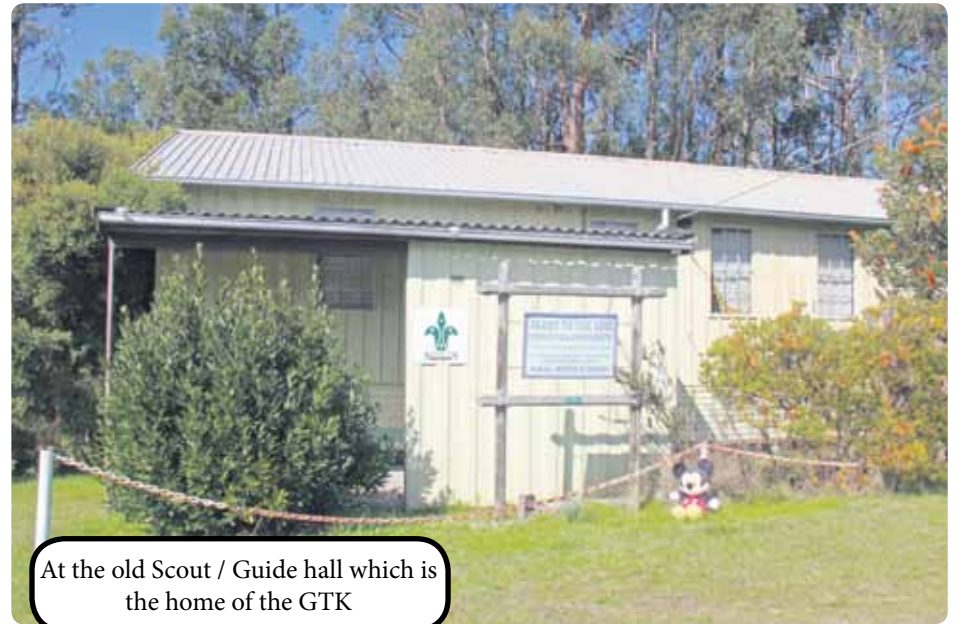
## Magazine

Glory Australia, GTK's Australian magazine, is now available. For a free copy, contact Rev. Lynn.

## Humanitarian Aid

From the beginning of the financial year, the name of our humanitarian fund changed to Glory Aid. This both makes the name easier to remember and reflects the change from supporting only overseas humanitarian projects to also helping the needy in Australia.

In Australia, our first project is Kids Sleep Warm, through which we plan to donate sleeping bags to homeless children. Independent figures show that over 6000 children in Victoria are homeless and more than half of those are under 12. We are not a big enough organization to be able to provide homes for even a few of these children, but we hope that by providing warm sleep-



At the old Scout / Guide hall which is the home of the GTK

ing bags we will be able to at least make life a little less uncomfortable for some.

Overseas, GTK has been able to send \$400 to help a school in Uganda make some essential repairs, without which the school would have had to shut down.

We have also relaunched our Child Sponsorship Scheme and are initially looking for sponsors for 25 children who live on a dumpsite in Iligan, on the Philippine island of Mindanao. Six-year-old Liezel is one of these children who work along side their parents scavenging from the dumpsite for food to eat and a few bits and pieces they might be able to sell. For \$40 a month you can help a child like Liezel find a better life.

To learn more about Glory to the King Ministries International, visit the website [glorytotheking.net](http://glorytotheking.net). For more about Glory Aid, visit [gloryaid.gtkmi.com](http://gloryaid.gtkmi.com)

Rev. Lynn Fowler  
President/Senior Minister



Checking out the Catholic Church and the Police Station.







Mickey enjoys visiting Jack Richards park, The Boolarra Pub, The Anglican Church and Boolarra Christian fellowship. He was also very impressed by the new multi purpose building which host's a range of groups and activities.



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## BOOLARRA'S EMERGENCY SIREN TESTING

The final report of Boolarra's Emergency Siren and Landline and Mobile Telephone Systems Testing was forwarded to the Fire Services Commissioner – Victoria, Mr Craig Lapsley, in June 2013. The report highlighted 8 findings and 6 recommendations relating to our siren testing.

Recommendations:

- A label on the siren control panel indicating how to operate the emergency siren from within the Boolarra Fire Station is essential.
- The siren should be raised well above the roof line of the Boolarra Fire Station.
- A louder/more piercing type of siren is necessary.
- Additional sirens to be installed
  1. In the area of Bunderra Drive (near or on telecom tower) overlooking the township.
  2. Either near the Scout Hall (Bastin /Young Streets) or at the former site of the Water Treatment Tanks (Cemetery Road).
- The SEWS Signal is not played at the start of the Emergency Telephone Warning Message but during or at the end of the message.
- The ongoing education of the Boolarra Community in the use of the Emergency Alerting System should be undertaken annually.

Boolarra's Emergency Alerting Committee is eagerly awaiting a response from the Fire Services Commissioner.

REMEMBER –

If the siren sounds for only 90 seconds it is the CFA sounding it to summons crew to an incident. If the siren sounds for 5 minutes it is indicating that there is an immediate or life threatening incident nearby and you should seek further information so you can decide what action you will take. Information can be obtained from ABC FM

## AROUND THE TRAPS...

Slip, Slop, Slap not only applies to putting on sunscreen. It's what happens off the bitumen. Slip on the corners, Slop thru the potholes and Slap go the wiper blades.

"Hasn't it been damp", said Mrs Fox, shaking herself.

"It has been quite so, Gleasons are doing flood irrigation again" answered Mrs Owl.

"Have you heard the news?" asked Mrs Rabbit.

"What's that" piped in Mrs Wombat (the secretary of the Wool Group) "There is a female having a mop lop for the Relay" answers Mrs Rabbit. "You mean Relay for Life" said Mrs Possum.

"Whats a Relay for Life" asked Mrs Kanga.

"Oh it's a stroll around the park" answered Mrs Possum.

"We will soon be able to nibble on the oval grass" commented Mrs Rabbit.

"Oh yes" commented Mrs Wallaby "the bouncing ball will be over, but what a good effort from the BFNC, our pony club horses will be safe from the funny kicks".

That's all for now folks. Next meeting approx. 3 months



Radio 100.7, SKY NEWS Television or cfa.vic.gov.au or your CFA App on your mobile phone.

FOOTNOTE

I received notification that the Mobile Emergency Alert was received by Boolarra people who were holidaying in many parts of Australia including Ballarat, Coolangatta, Cairns and Port Hedland. However, the prize undoubtedly goes to Paddy and Anne Morgan who received the message whilst holidaying in the UKRAINE – nearly 18,000km from Boolarra.

*Dave O'Brien*

*Chair - Boolarra Emergency Siren Committee.*



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## BOOLARRA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

There are some heroic ventures in Australia which founder because of a sad ignorance of the land and its' climate. The history of the ill-fated VDL Company of Stanley, Tasmania, was brought to our notice last meeting by Edgar Owen of Budgerie and his sister Nell. In the 1820s the British Government gave a land grant of enormous proportions in the north west of Tasmania to a group of English businessmen to breed sheep for the English wool market. In Britain the population had grown so much during the Industrial Revolution that sheep were being slaughtered largely for meat. The cotton mills were producing cloth for some clothing, but fine wool sheep were required to service growing demand for woollen cloth.

So in 1824 the Van Diemen's Land Company was formed with great hopes, land was selected near Circular Head, Stanley and wool sheep stock imported from England. The enterprise lasted around 25 years propped up by convict labour and many injections of funds from the shareholders in London. The manager was Edward Curr who in 1834 built the grand house 'Highfield' that looks out over Circular Head, locally called the Nut. The land chosen was not always suitable and the weather was fickle. The VDL Company lost its convict labour in 1840 and many tenant families walked off. In 1841 Curr was relieved of his post as manager and by 1851 the company was wound up and the land leased to several farmers, one of whom, Frederick Wilbraham Ford, was connected by marriage to Edgar Owen's family. Frederick's son bought the property 'Highfield' in 1859. He was married to Edgar's great grand aunt, Eleanor King.

By chance Edgar's niece, on one of her genealogical trips to the area, found her grandfather's name written on a brick wall in a loft at 'Highfield'; according to family memory Allan Gordon Edgar and his brother lived there for some years around the turn of the 20th Century and slept in the loft. So here was written proof of the Owens' connection with 'Highfield'. Their mother, Edgar's great grandmother, Mary Cape Edgar (nee King), had been abandoned by her husband who absconded during the Boer War, never to return. She and her five children went to live with her sister who had married into the Ford family who now owned 'Highfield'.

Edgar and his wife Edith and sister Nell made the journey over to 'Highfield' recently, eager to discover more. To their great excitement they found their great grandmother's photo in the Stanley Historical Society and several pages of informative notes. An active member of the Church of England, Mary Edgar's plaque recognizing her charitable work was discovered in St Paul's Church in Stanley. Next day in the cemetery they found Mary's grave and her sisters' buried with their father, Mr James King, and learnt that she had lived at Plough Inn in Stanley till she died in 1945. Edgar's photographs of their journey were full of interest. Younger members of the Owen brood are now deeply engrossed in weaving together the firm threads of this fascinating family history. We look forward to reading their findings and to visiting the beautiful property 'Highfield', now expertly restored by the National Trust and managed by the Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service.

Ann Morgan



Highfield House-Stanley

The Boolarra Historical Museum is open on the 1st Sunday of each month from 2:00-4:00 pm, or by appointment with the Secretary, Mengar Hibbins (5169 6216). The Boolarra and District Historical Society meets at the Boolarra Museum on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm. New members are always welcome and information on our activities can be obtained from Mengar Hibbins (5169 6216), Judy Webster (5169 6351) or Beth Price (5169 6241).



Thank you to Fitzard Fotos for supplying evidence of Micky's adventure

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## BOOLARRA'S BURNING ISSUES BOOLARRA CFA NEWS

### Boolarra's Junior Brigade Up and Running

The Boolarra Fire Brigade has recently established its own JUNIOR BRIGADE. Five senior members of our brigade (Di Billingsley, Simon and Miriam Pickett and Michelle and Todd Birkbeck), have recently completed the Junior Volunteer Development Induction Program that allows them to conduct the program in Boolarra. As this is a new venture for our brigade, we have capped the number of participants at a relatively small and manageable 10. The fortnightly program caters for teenagers between the ages of 13 and 16 years and provides a variety of safe, enjoyable and challenging activities with an awareness of fire and fire safety. The participants will cover basic fire fighting skills such as pump operation, hose lays, map reading, radio communications and will visit other local brigades and emergency services. Although it is anticipated the participants will complete their "Minimum Skills", (a program that all fire fighters have to pass after joining a brigade), they will not be permitted to attend fire calls. Several Year 9 students who attend Mirboo North Secondary College will use their participation to fulfil a component of the "Community Break Out" and "Duke of Edinburgh" programs. Although the program is full this year, there will be vacancies early next year when several of the participants reach 16 years of age. It is hoped that many of the participants will join our senior ranks once they reach the age of 16. For more information please contact one of our Junior Brigade Leaders.

### "Red Light Team" Training Hard

Four of our brigade members are training



The new recruits of the junior brigade

hard for the "Ride to Conquer Cancer" that is only weeks away. Simon Pickett, Rob Franssen and Todd and Michelle Birkbeck have supposedly been training several hours each week to ensure they complete the gruelling 2 day event with ease. Each competitor has to raise \$2,500 to enter the event. Our brigade has been fundraising for the event all year but is still a little short of the \$10,000 necessary for our 4 member team to compete. Donation boxes will be placed in both the Top Shop and the Post Office in the hope that locals will support our riders to raise the \$10,000. Your donations will be gratefully received.

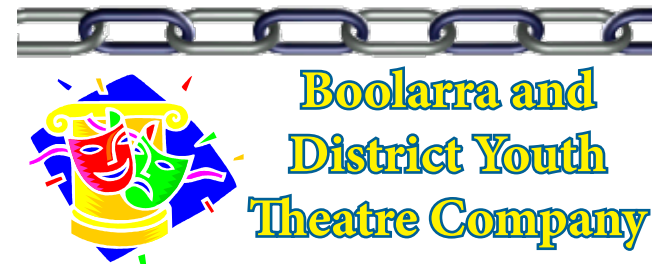
Our Brigade has had 15 local turn-outs this year.

We have turned out to 15 incidents so far this year plus participating in at least 6 Strike Teams out of our area. Incidents have included a timber harvester fire, a motor vehicle accident, a gas bottle fire, a house fire and 11 grass and scrub

fires. Of the 15 incidents, we were the Primary Brigade on 11 occasions and were support to other brigades on 4 occasions.

It wouldn't happen to me!

On 23 August 2013, there was a house fire in Boolarra in which the smoke alarm did not activate. Fortunately, no-one was injured in the fire but it is a timely reminder to all of us to ensure our Smoke Alarms are working. How long is it since you replaced your batteries? We never know when it could be our turn.



Our Theatre Group is able to run because of funding from the Mirboo North and District Foundation and we have also received a generous grant from FRRR. Thank you to both of these organisations and to those who helped with the funding applications. We have already purchased much of the material for the production on 15 September 2013.

We held our A.G.M in July and have some new members on the committee:

Sam Massey from Mirboo North, Treasurer

Kath Aveling from Boolarra, Secretary

Helen Seales has changed from Secretary to Vice President

Garyelle Rose continues on as President.

Thank you very much to the Committee members as we couldn't run without your support. A very big thank you to Lisa Pappa for helping with Secretarial duties, even though she resigned in 2012, and also to Samantha Brick (Treasurer) who has been there for the theatre group from the start. A big thank you to Catheryn Thompson who donated clothing and some material and haberdashery for use in costumes etc. We used much of it for the construction of the puppets which were the focus of 1st and 2nd term.

Our theme for our production for term 3 is Jump into Spring. The youth are combining sessions in music and dance with Tessa Libreri who is a professional music teacher as well as a professional singer. We have purchased all the fabric etc. for the sewing of costumes and will also

be painting sets in the weeks leading up to our show which is on

Sunday, 15 September 2013 at 3:00pm followed by afternoon tea.

Tickets will be available at \$2 per person and please bring a plate to share. It would be great to have a 'full house' again, so support our youth and come and enjoy the show.

Kath Aveling

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One of our main aims when starting up this Club was to provide members with Training Days and Educational Clinics. It has been a long time coming, however on Sunday, 16 June 2013 we successfully ran our first Clinic. Members gained valuable horsemanship skills from two exceptionally talented horse people, in Kathy and Aaron. Kathy and Aaron guided our members in Ground Work, followed by Ridden Work and ended the session with a short Trail Ride through the bush. Comments like "awesome" came from many mouths on the day, when Kathy and Aaron demonstrated what can be achieved when there is trust

and communication between you and your horse. Kathy and Aaron had members wanting more, and by the end of the day, Erin was standing her horse up on a stump (front legs). Requests continue to flow in from members for more Clinics. We are so pleased that we are now in a position that we can offer members the Training and Education they have been requesting.



On Sunday, 30 June 2013 members met at Darlimurla for a leisurely ride around the bush tracks, while on 28 July 2013 members ventured to Wirilda Park at Tyers for an enjoyable ride. The weather was kind and everyone enjoyed the day. Our August ride was around Kings Road with all enjoying the social aspects of leisurely riding together and enjoying a BBQ lunch at the end of the ride.

Jenny and I, even with the weather not being so favourable, have been able to pick our days in which to get out and ride new trails in preparation for our 2014 Calendar. Jenny ventured down to Rokeby, both of us rode Colley's Road, and I completed the Meeniyen to Fish Creek Rail Trail. All have proven to be great riding areas and all offering something a little bit different.

The next few months will prove very busy for our members. With our calendar fully booked with our own rides, clinics and tracking out new trails for our 2014 calendar, a number of members are also tuning themselves up, and their horses, to undertake the SIDS Ride in October, hosted by the Thomson Val-

ley Bush Riders Club. This event is held annually to help raise much needed funding for SIDS, with riders venturing from all over the Southern States to help raise much needed funds with upwards of \$80,000 raised so far for this worthwhile organisation.

A number of members are also getting in some practice for the Toongabbie Novelty Day in November hosted by the Toongabbie Trail Riding Club.

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## BOOLARRA NETBALL CLUB

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Boolarra Netball Club had a very successful season, having two junior teams playing in the Churchill Indoor Netball Competition and two junior and four senior teams playing in the Mid Gippsland Netball Association. The Churchill indoor season has finished and the girls played some great netball, attending training on Thursday afternoons and improving their Saturday game every week, well done.

To help keep your skills up, there will be a Twilight Netball Competition in Churchill at the Leisure Centre starting on 11 October 2013 which will run for 8 weeks plus 2 weeks of finals catering for 9&U, 11&U, 13&U and 15/17&U. Please consider playing netball for Boolarra to ensure we have a strong netball future in our town, training will begin 2 weeks prior to the competition, training night still to be decided, possibly a Monday or Tuesday afternoon. We are hoping to

Back row L-R, Brianna Griffiths, Georgia Dubois, Caterina Reiske, Brooke Herbert, Madison Jeffrey.  
Front row L-R, Lexi Redpath, Gracie Kearns, Carlene Seales and Indily Francis.  
Coach, Gabrielle Francis, not pictured.

enter 3 teams so quickly recruit your mates to come and play as well.

Thank you to the parents and supporters for a wonderful season.

Thank you to all the dedicated club members and committee members who work very hard throughout the season in both the netball and the football side of things.



### Finals: GO GIRLS, you are our last hope to bring home a premiership membership flag.

D Grade played a good strong first half of the preliminary final on Saturday to be down by 2 goals at the half time break, but Trafalgar changed their game up a gear, with the aim to shut down our goalers by double teaming our goal shooter, our girls had a difficult third quarter and Trafalgar's lead stretched out, In the last quarter Our Boolarra girls fought back but the margin was too great and in the end the game went to the stronger Trafalgar side.

Next week (7th September) we look forward to supporting our A Grade team in the Grand Final The only Boolarra team left in Finals.

Jackie McGlade

11&Under team.  
L-R, Isabelle Reiske, Sasha Chalmers, Gracie Cascianelli, Georgia Martin, Jorja Oddy, Caitlyn Gill, Holly Dubois and Anabel Bongailas with Coach Nicky Wallis in front.



Mickey enjoys watching one of the local residents exercising her dogs.

### Awards for the season are:



15&Under - Best and Fairest, Elizabeth Rauschdorf; Equal Runners-up, Rachel Owen and Lauren Alexander;

Coaches Award, Katrina Lee McMillan.

17&Under - Best and Fairest, Emma Lewis; Runner-Up, Caitlyn Passalacqua; Coaches Award, Madaline Banks.

D Grade - Best and Fairest, Suzie Moss; Runner Up, Jade Shoobert.

C Grade - Best and Fairest, Monique Beamish; Runner Up, Shae Heeremans.

B Grade - Best and Fairest, Sue Mills; Runner Up, Caitlyn Passalacqua.

A Grade - Best and Fairest, Carly Jennings; Runner Up, Anna McGlade.



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## FOOTBALL FALLOUT

Sadly season 2013 has finished with our senior and reserves bowing out of the finals for this season. Our senior team had an agonizing 4 point loss to Trafalgar in the elimination final at Hill End in very bluster conditions. Boolarra coming home with a massive gale could only manage 1.7 in the last quarter to fall short of the mark.

The scorecard for the game was Boolarra 6.11.47 to Trafalgar 7.9.51 with Boolarra's best players being Jordan Cargill, Tristan Salerno, Jules Elson, Steven Fox, Matt Buglisi and Mark van Dyke, goal kickers being Tim Dowe 2, Ken Towt, Justin Emery, Sam Mazou and Daniel Metcalf 1 each.

Our reserves team on the other hand on the same day hung on for a 7 point win against Trafalgar in the elimination final. The game was a good old fashioned hard fought tussle with Trafalgar coming home with the breeze. The scorecard for the game was Boolarra 6.8.44 to Trafalgar 5.7.37 with Boolarra's best players being Simon Buglisi, James Kelly, Shane Colbert, Thomas Beamish, Eddie Stanton and Matt Windsor, goal kickers being Josh Reid 2, Kieren Foley, James Kelly, Michael Bloss and Shane Colbert 1 each.

The reserves went on to play Yinnar in the 1st semi final at Thorpdale and put up a creditable effort but went down to a better Yinnar team on the day. Best players were Thomas Beamish, Jack Battersby, Daniel Reiske, Alex Fievez, Jacob Vuillermin and Robert Beamish, goal kickers being Shane Colbert, Josh Reid and Jack Battersby 1 goal each.

The Boolarra Football Netball Club would like to thank Mark Carnes on his recent retirement as reserves coach of the Club. Mark has done a magnificent job in coaching this team for 4 years in which the Club has made finals. You may have retired as coach Carnesy but there will be another role waiting for you within the Club. Thanks Mark, great job well done.

The club would also like to make the announcement that 2011 senior premiership coach Tony Giardina will be staying on as coach for a club record breaking 6th season at the helm of the Club. Tony will be actively involved with talking to all players, new and old, in the off season. Great job Tony.

The Club held its Best and Fairest Count on the Sunday after the last home and away game and would like to congratulate the following

### Best & Fairests for season 2013:



Seniors – Best & Fairest – Justin Emery & Daniel Metcalf  
RU Best & Fairest – Michael O'Sullivan  
Reserves – Best & Fairest – Josh Wilson  
RU Best & Fairest – Scott Cooper  
Thirds – Best & Fairest – Peter Thomas  
RU Best & Fairest – Jack Battersby



Socially the Club held a Bogan Bingo night which was very well attended by bogans from all walks of life, turning up to play a very different game of bingo at the Club. Towty was the king of the bingo taking it very seriously seen playing about six cards at once. Great work Ninja.

On the 23 June 2013 the annual duck race/reverse draw raffle day was held at the Club social rooms and close by at the local creek with the winner of the reverse draw raffle being Teresa Wareham and the duck race being Simon Pickett.

The club's Mid Year Ball was held on the 6 July 2013 at the Boolarra Memorial Hall and was attended by approximately 180 very formal ladies and gentlemen who sat down to a 3 course meal and then danced the night away to live music.

After the Thorpdale home game a Wild West Night was held at the Club with Cowboys, Cowgirls, Indians Mexicans and Gunslingers from the wild western frontier in attendance dancing the night away to local DJ Havana Brown.

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*Darren Napier*

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