



STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY NOTES - NO 100 (December 2012/January 2013) 'FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE VALLEY'

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### ***Captain Speaking***

We have had two events at the Centre recently, the annual flower show on the 10 November, which returned to the Centre for the first time since the fires and on the 23 November the book launch of "Living with Fire " by Christine Hansen and Tom Griffiths. For full reports keep reading.

The next highlight is the **Carols on Saturday 15 December at 6.30, BYO BBQ, 8pm Carols** so make a note in your diary for an event not to be missed. I am trying to keep under the radar at the moment as there seem to be a lot of high flying reindeer about who are not responding to Air Traffic Control, so on behalf of all the crew we hope that you enjoy the festive season.

Mike Watkins

### ***Five Years On***

How quickly it has gone and what an eventful five years it has been since I became Editor. Again thanks to all those who have helped in the production of the **Jolly Thing**: the proof readers, **Anne Watkins and Jane Calder**, **Ed 'Mr IT' Bartosh**, **Malcolm Calder** in charge of distribution, **Harry Harrison at the hire Print Room**, **Hoogies** for their financial support, **Jean Lowe and Jane Calder** for the crossword and, last but certainly not least in the eyes of the poor Editor, all those who have contributed articles during the year.

Andrew Chapman

### ***Steels Creek Tennis & Social Club Happenings***

**Annual General Meeting:** The SCTC AGM was held on Sunday, October 21. The slate of officers was retained, but we have some new people on the committee to bring new ideas and perspectives to the Club. Thanks to Athel Smith, Jean Lowe, Graham Rothwell, Mark Newell, Graeme Hamilton, Rob Fallon and Vicki Stewart for joining Alby, Norm, Ed and John on the Committee.

**Membership:** Your tennis club runs for its members, and part of that means supporting the club. The membership year runs from July through June. Many of you support the club as social members - for which we are thankful. However, if you play on the courts (other than open days), you need to be a full playing member with Tennis Victoria Affiliation. Our Club is affiliated for numerous benefits, and we need to ensure that we comply with their terms. If you haven't paid yet, please do so at your earliest convenience. If you are a social member, please see an officer to upgrade your membership if you play on the courts. Senior membership is just \$1.25 per week.

**Social Tennis:** Monday evening social tennis will be starting up again in November as the weather warms. Come and enjoy our friendly tennis on Thursday nights from 7:30 as well.

**Saturday Comps:** Two teams are active on Saturday afternoons, so come and enjoy the action and provide some support. There will be a break over Christmas/New Year's from 16 December to 1 February.

**OPEN DAY:** To start the New Year, we'll have an Open Day on **Sunday, 27 January**, starting at midday. We'll have kid's nets and equipment, free sausages, radar gun (try your speedy shots, and give-aways. Come join the fun-whether you are a playing or social member or a non-member and want to join in and see what it's all about.

Web site: [www.yarraglen.com/SCTC/](http://www.yarraglen.com/SCTC/)

Ed Bartosh Secretary

### ***The Chris Mullen Award***

This year goes to **Eva Matthews**, for her article in the February/March edition, no.95, **A Steels Creek Reverie - Why We Live Here**. A thoughtful and well worded article that struck a chord in many of us well done Eva, Chris will be around soon with your prize.

## ***Book Launch - A Great Success***

Last Friday, 23 November, Chris Mullen, with at least 100 members of the Steels Creek community as well as many friends, launched "*Living with Fire, People, Nature and History in Steels Creek*". It was a great evening and brings to a conclusion the first part of the Steels Creek Stories Project, funded in part by the Victorian Bushfire Assistance Fund.

The authors, Christine Hansen and Tom Griffiths were present, Christine had flown back from her work in Sweden to be there, and they both were delighted by the response of the Steels Creek people. Later Tom wrote:-

" Congratulations on such a wonderful celebration of the book! It could not have been better. Christine and I were thrilled that there was such a huge attendance, and we were moved to find so many people appreciating the book in all the ways we might have hoped". In her response Christine said " What a marvelous, moving launch party! I am thrilled at the community's reaction to the book and was absolutely bowled over at the turnout for the launch. Well worth flying back for."

So, well done Steels Creek! The book is both a celebration and a fitting and permanent tribute to those we lost. In different ways we have all had to work through our grief and trauma. Along with the reflective overlay to the evening, there was an underlying positive message about community resilience and strength. This book acts as an incentive to move forward. It certainly has a strong message for all Australians.



Special thanks go to the Steels Creek Community Centre for hosting the occasion. The new Centre meets the challenge of a great party like this and it looked particularly good with much of the book's original art work displayed on the walls. We were able to offer wines exclusively from the Steels Creek valley, and there is no doubt that it was greatly appreciated. Thank you **Acacia Ridge; Blackwood Hill; Cooina; Full and Plenty; Maurovic Wines; and Steels Creek Estate.**

"Living with Fire" is published by CSIRO Publishing, ISBN: 9780643104729, at the RRP of \$49.95 and should be available in book shops generally. Local outlets are the **Yarra Glen News Agent** and **Acme et. al.** It is available at Collins Books in Chirnside Park. **Malcolm Calder**

### ***A Book Review***

***Living with Fire*** is a very high quality production, which will be appreciated for generations to come. It will be read again and again. The book is beautiful, evocative, and it feels good in every way. The illustrations are stunning and well matched to the content. The whole presentation, splendidly produced, is a work of art in itself. These authors manage to transform a mountain of notes, recordings, photos and artwork into an erudite readable record of our community.

As the New Year rolls around again, what could be a better memento and significant contribution to comprehending the events of the recent past? The more people appreciate and share this story the better! The acknowledgements section says it so well: this is a parable for all communities that live with fire. **Chris Mullen**

## *Some Thing Smells Rotten In The Calder's Garden*

There is a strong smell coming from a large flower in the Calder's garden. The Dead Horse Arum Lilly has flowered well and to attract insects, which it needs for future growth, puts out a bouquet of rotting flesh, this does the trick and the insects get caught and digested.

I am assured the flower is worth the smell. .

Who needs David Attenborough, just visit the Calder's Garden.



## *Community Renewal Group - Important Updates*

We've been a bit quiet on the communication front the last couple of months, since the news of our VBAF win, because we've been working on the steps required for us to receive the VBAF grants on behalf of the community. Those steps have now been completed, so we again have some exciting news to report!

1. The informal group of interested individuals known as the SC Community Renewal Group has now become a formal entity - Steels Creek Association Inc. We have our certificate of incorporation and our ABN, which allows us to receive the VBAF funds once the requisite funding agreements have been signed (in progress).
2. We are only a week or so away from knowing who has been appointed as the community Project Manager, to coordinate the various VBAF-funded programs, and provide information and support, and seek further funding for, the individuals and groups in our community. An independent recruitment process has been conducted over the last several weeks, funded by VBAF and led by DFP Recruitment agency. Four candidates were shortlisted for interview. We will advise the community through the Grapevine once the candidate has been selected. Their anticipated start date will be 14 January.
3. Because of the unforeseen need for us to become incorporated, the timelines we had envisaged for the various improvements to the Centre, the wellbeing activities and training programs, have had to be moved back by a number of months. This means that the projects won't be getting underway until some time in the first quarter of next year, but then it will be full steam ahead until early 2015. Stay tuned!
4. A bit more about SCA Inc.:
  - The Committee of Management comprises **Allan Giffard (President), Tim Edwards (Vice-President), Gretha Edwards (Treasurer), Eva Matthews (Secretary), Joanne Spears, Amanda Williams, Malcolm Calder, Craig Matthews and Barb Ashmore**. This group represents a range of ages, experience and community involvement, and is indicative of the kind of inclusive, representative body we wish the Association to be.
  - While the founding members of the SCA originally formed to help address ongoing issues resulting from the Black Saturday fires, it became apparent that our mission could be much broader and that our focus should be as much on helping shape the future of Steels Creek as it is to aid in its full recovery from the fires.
  - SCA's stated purpose is to facilitate the wellbeing, safety and sense of connectedness of the Steels Creek community, and to facilitate the healing and advancement of the Steels Creek community through the initiation and management of projects for this purpose.
5. SCA is seeking members! Your membership will support us in our mission and it will enable our community to be better prepared, more responsive and organised. It will ensure you have the opportunity to express your views on matters that affect our community. So, when one of us approaches you (or indeed, feel free to approach those of us you know), please consider joining us.

## *Food Writers Report*

### **Balgownie Beautiful**

After a few years we finally went back to Balgownie – what a delightful surprise. We were a table of seven and from the start there was champagne in comfy lounge chairs for the girls and White Rabbit dark ale for the boys.

We settled into order another bottle of Champagne and a lovely Pinot Noir from Balgownie in Bendigo a 2004 vintage still going strong. Pinot Gris for those preferring a white, from Balgownie's local vines.

My entrée of Duck Liver Parfait with pillows of Wonton and chutney, great dish, light and delicious. Several at the table had the Zucchini Soufflé and loved it. I chose a second entrée instead of a main dish, a Tian of Crab, Avocado and Prawns – yummy with fresh clean flavours. Calamari was a favourite with Alexandra and our resident chef, David, chose a Steak with Pomme Frites, all very well executed. The deserts looked great but no one had any room left.

Every one was very impressed with the food, the service and the quality of the wines.

Local yokels can sign up to be notified of up and coming events and to receive their locals discount card. Such Fun in the words of Miranda's Mother. Do give it a try. **Judith Augustine**

### *Clamberers*

Steels Creek Clamberers provides a series of **monthly walks between March to November** each year in nearby and regional locations. The walks provide a not-too-strenuous opportunity to explore or re-visit some of our beautiful bushland and other areas in good company.

In August this year we enjoyed our third annual 'weekend-of-walks', this year on the lower Mornington Peninsula – the historically interesting Point Nepean area and the rugged coast at Bushrangers Bay. We hope to include a similar weekend away in our program for 2013.

Walks have now concluded for 2012, but will resume at the end of March 2013. **A walks program for 2013 will be circulated to registered email addresses** before then.

*We invite you to consider joining us!* Ideas already suggested for walks in 2013 include:

- the Eric Tetlow walking track in Steels Creek,
- the Ada Tree area north of Powelltown,
- forest walks between Silvan Dam and Mt Evelyn,
- part of the Warburton Trail, and more.

If you have any favourite day walks that you would like to share, we would be most grateful for the information. And what better way to 'point *us* in the right direction' than by giving us a try. **New walks ideas and walkers are most welcome!**

Also, **over the past two years, we have had an increasing number of children** (often with their grandparents!) participating in or even leading some of our walks. In 2013 we hope to encourage wider participation of children and families, with inclusion of walks that are suited to all ages.

If you are not already on our email list, **why not register now to receive walks information?** To do so or to find out more, simply call or email David or Robyn Allan with your contact details.

David or Robyn may be contacted at telephone 5965 2556 or mobile 0413 396 296, or by email at [drallan@wideband.net.au](mailto:drallan@wideband.net.au).



## ***Drop into the Memorial Hall and meet Lou***

If you have dropped into the new Community Reading Room at the Yarra Glen Memorial Hall, you will no doubt have met **Lou Sbalchiero**, Yarra Ranges Council's Community Development Officer who is there during opening hours on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11am to 5 pm to help with your library borrowing, returns, placing books on hold, assisting with public internet access and wifi use.

But did you know that Lou is also here to reinvigorate the use of the new Memorial Hall and currently has small grants of up to \$2000 available to groups that are interested to trial community activities and programs that connect with the Community Reading Room? Lou says "what we are seeking are activities that promote reading and literacy within the community and provide opportunities for social connectedness and wellbeing. The Steels Creek Community Centre and its associated programs are a great example of what could be replicated or further developed at the larger Memorial Hall".

In addition Lou is available to support local communities throughout Yarra Glen, Healesville and surrounding towns to develop their own local area plans or projects. "The Embrace Our Street Project at Yarra Glen is a wonderful example of a plan that has been driven by the community and identifies local projects that can be implemented by the community".

"Plans like this can now be developed by any local community to make their town a better place to live" says Lou. Seeding money is available to help kick start local area plans through Council's Community Planning & Engagement Unit.

### **New Display Space at the Yarra Glen Memorial Hall - Community Reading Room**

Local artists and community organisations are invited to display at the Yarra Glen Memorial Hall, Community Reading Room.

A glass display cabinet and wall picture hanging system has been installed to accommodate displays and artwork by local organisations and artists.

The Community Reading Room is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays, 11 am to 5 pm but is also regularly accessed by families visiting the linked Maternal Child and Health Service on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. "The Memorial Hall is increasingly becoming a hub for community activity and being used regularly by a range of local organisations, as well as for private family functions, and offers a great space to promote local artwork, community activities and projects," says Lou Sbalchiero, Yarra Ranges Council's Community Development Officer.

For further enquiries call Lou at the Hall on 9730 2625 or email [yarraglenmemhall@yarraranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:yarraglenmemhall@yarraranges.vic.gov.au)

For more information on the Community Reading Room, Memorial Hall or local area planning contact Lou on: 9730 2625 / 0419523678 or [yarraglenmemhall@yarraranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:yarraglenmemhall@yarraranges.vic.gov.au)

## ***Black Saturday at Steels Creek***

Historian Peter Stanley reports from the National Museum of Australia that his publisher, Scribe, of Melbourne, is making excellent progress in producing the book of Black Saturday at Steels Creek. Editor David Golding has done a superb job in editing the text, and art director Miriam Rosenbloom is working on the book cover design. Peter has approached a cartographer to produce the maps, essential for understanding the fire (at least for those not from Steels Creek). Peter will soon meet James and Malcolm Calder, who have collected photographs for the book, to select a number of images. The book is expected to be published around April 2013, and will be launched at a function at Steels Creek - on a date to be decided. Watch this space! By the time the book is published Peter will have left the National Museum - he will take up a position as Professor at the University of New South Wales at the Australian Defense Force Academy in February next year. But both he and the Museum are pleased and proud to have been able to work with the Steels Creek community to produce Black Saturday at Steels Creek.

## ***Web Site Now Up And Working***

After some 4-5 months the Steels Creek Community Centre web site [www.steelscreek.org.au](http://www.steelscreek.org.au) is again up and running and now has an events calendar, minutes of the Community Centre Committee Meetings as well as past copies of the Jolly Thing. Log on.

## ***Steels Creek Community Christmas Pudding***

Christmas pudding - full of wonderful fruit, spice and sherry. The anticipation of Christmas day, family, friends and wonderful festive foods.

On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 12 noon a group of Screekians joined forces to make a Neighborhood Pudding. The fruit was marinated, the prunes, chopped, glace peel diced, apple and carrot grated and once they got over the shock of how much was going in "really? 40 eggs?" and nutmegs do come whole "what are these? And what do I do with it?" everything was in a huge bowl and we all had a stir.

Christine readied 20 calico cloths and Graham dusted them with flour, the mix smelt divine so it was portioned up wrapped in the cloths and placed in the 5 big pots to boil away for the afternoon. Then we made gingerbread and mince tarts and together with cups of tea and coffee had a wonderful afternoon. Definitely this one is now an annual event

There are a few puddings available for sale if anyone wants one \$20 big enough for 12 people. Contact me on 0412 343 242 or this email address [grimesangie@yahoo.com.au](mailto:grimesangie@yahoo.com.au).

**Angie Lloyd**



## ***SC4 Reel Film Club***

The showings in the early part of the year were reduced because the building works meant that the Centre was unusable. However we soon got back into full swing and showed a total of nine films and one matinee session for children.

We must be doing something right as we always attract between 15 to 25 people and the food, produced by the various filmgoers, is of high quality and no one goes home hungry.

Most of the films were good, a couple excellent, and one was well.....

The idea is to show films that are mostly older classics; interesting; and if possible something a bit different. Plans for the films for next year, starting in March are well in hand.

So come along for a good feed; good company; and usually a lot of laughs –I think it is much better than sitting at home in front of the TV.

**Keith Montell**

## ***The Sanctity Of The Shed***

A man's home may be his castle but his shed is the inner sanctum where none may enter without permission – or so I thought!

### **The First Intrusion**

It seems that we, along with our neighbours, are feeding a herd of ravenous King Parrots that seem to think that their undisputed beauty is enough for them to demand copious quantities of sunflower seeds as and when they want it.

A week ago I was busy in my shed when with a flutter and a swqauk one of "the boys" flew in and landed on the workbench. He was soon joined by another and the pair then sat on the roof of one of my cars (fortunately for them unpainted or they would be ex-parrots) and noisily demanded an explanation as to why breakfast was not ready and suggested that in future I get better organised.

### **The Second Intrusion**

My afternoon projects, fully planned, were soon abandoned when I opened the shed door to be greeted by a rather shiny snake on the threshold. Of course if you slowly back-off the intruder will come out and head off into the bush. Fine in theory but in practise it decided to go and hide inside. By the time I had found a rake it had vanished and so with some (lots) of trepidation I proceeded to eliminate the possible hiding spots until --- it must be in the off-cuts! Every man has a lifetime collection of bits of wood that may come in handy one day and this pesky snake decided to hide in mine. Several hours later I had extracted all the wood and finally convinced the unwelcome visitor that he or she (I wonder how you can tell) should leave. It must have been a she because it went slither, slither, slither (males go slither, bump, slither).

Anyway it was a good opportunity to seriously cull the off-cuts so I ruthlessly sorted through the pile and was able to get rid of four pieces.

**Keith Montell**

NB shed visits by appointment only.

## ***Garden Club***

The Garden Club Flower Show held on 10 November was again a great success, making a total of \$2881 of which the plant sales made up \$2320. Both these totals were the second highest ever, surpassed only by those of 2003. We all agreed it was lovely to be back at SC3 with all its wonderful facilities, good weather also added to the pleasure of the day. Not too many plants were left over and these went on to various fundraisers and also some roses to the local Police Station.

Thanks everyone who was involved, especially of course those who bought plants. We get good feedback as to how healthy our plants are, but do send any brickbats our way too.

The Club's end of year lunch is to be held at Red Gum in Lilydale on 11 December.



## **Rainfall Report - to 29th November 2012**

Station	October 2012 (mm)	November 2012 (to 29th) (mm)	2012 Year to Date (mm to 29th November)	Total to corresponding date in 2011 (mm)
'Blackwood Hill' Pinnacle Lane	46.2	58.0	712.1	967.2
'Kilvarock' Adams Lane	47.0	61.0	756.0	1019
'Highlea' Dixons Creek	58.2	59.8	814.4	1076.4
'Newera' Brennan Avenue	54.6	57.1	700.1	N/A
'Wandearah' Japonica Drive, Yarra Glen	44.0	48.6	682.9	926.5

Rainfall from the Dixons Creek Station for the month was 47.2 mm, year to date 683.4 mm, this time last year 938.6 mm. It's been said that although the above figures show a significant drop from the totals for the same time last year, the current year represents a generally 'average' year for our area. Let's see what comes our way over the next year!

## ***Someone Has Turned The Tap Off***

What was looking to be a very wet year has certainly turned the corner. Spring is normally the highest rainfall period of the year, but this Spring has certainly been different. September was 17 mm below the monthly average, October 33 mm below average & November 19 mm below. At the beginning of Spring we were 47 mm above average for the year, at the end of Spring we are 22 mm below average. Let's hope that the trend in recent years of good Summer rainfall, will continue & keep plenty of water in our tanks.

**Barry Sheffield**

## ***Email Addresses - New and Updated***

Want receive the Jolly Thing by email? Let me know your email address and it will arrive as by magic.  
 Changed your email? Send me your new one.

Do you want to be kept up on Local Steels Creek happenings, events and offerings? Let me know and I will put you on the *Grape Vine* so you don't miss out. Andrew Chapman [andrewchapman44@bigpond.com](mailto:andrewchapman44@bigpond.com)

## *The Jolly Thing Delivery*

As delivery to local letter boxes has now ceased you are now able to get **The Jolly Thing** in one of the following ways:-

1. By e-mail. If you do not already subscribe to this service, please forward your e-mail address to [thejollything@steelscreek.org.au](mailto:thejollything@steelscreek.org.au) and it will be included in the e-mail distribution list.
2. Pick up a free copy at the Yarra Glen Post Office, the Yarra Glen IGA or the Yarra Glen News agent in the first week in the month of publication. (February; April; June; August; October; December.)
3. By Post. For an annual subscription of \$6 we will post to you a copy in the week of publication. For this option please forward a \$6 cheque and your full postal address to the following address:-  
Malcolm Calder, c/o the Steels Creek Community Centre, P.O. Box 291, Yarra Glen VIC 3775
4. By the World Wide Web. You can download T.J.T. from the web soon after the start of the month of publication. All editions are available from August 2003. The address is [www.steelscreek.org.au](http://www.steelscreek.org.au)

Thank you for your support of "*The Jolly Thing*" and the Steels Creek Community. We look forward to your continuing involvement.

**Malcolm Calder**

## *Every one has a story*

Why not share it with the Jolly Thing readers, be it sad, serious or humorous: local or not. Jot it down and send it to the editor. You could be the winner of the sixth **Chris Mullen** award for literary excellence.



DECEMBER 2012						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						1 Tennis Comp
2	3 <b>Recycle</b> Women's Group	4 Stitchers	5	6 Art Social Tennis	7	8 Market Tennis Comp
9	10	11 Stitchers Garden Club Lunch	12	13 Art Social Tennis	14	15 FYFB Working Bee Tennis Comp <b>Christmas Carols</b>
16 YG&DHS	17 <b>Recycle</b>	18 Stitchers Book Group	19	20 Art Social Tennis	21	22 Market
23	24	25 <b>Christmas</b>	26 <b>Boxing Day</b>	27 SMB Social Tennis	28	29
30 Clamberers	31 <b>Recycle</b>					

*Recycle* = reminder to put out your recycling bin

#### ART

Thursdays 1:30 PM – 4.30 PM SCCC - Bring your paints; discuss your art and share skills.

Malcolm Calder 5965 2372

#### BOOK GROUP

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday - 8.00 PM; 10 members – limited by library book resources. Lively discussions at SCCC. New Members welcome

Kerin Comport 0411 265161

#### CLAMBERERS

Last Sunday (April to November). Since 1993, the walking group has walked over local tracks & explored the flora and fauna of the Valley and surrounding areas. Walks are announced at the SCCC Market before hand or see item on page 2

Robyn Allan 0409 139371 [eda@wideband.net.au](mailto:eda@wideband.net.au)

#### FRIENDS OF YARRA FLATS BILLABONGS

Development of wetlands adjacent to Yarra Glen.

Working Bees third Saturday of every second month starting at 12 noon

Kevin Heeley 9730 1704 [kevinheeley@bigpond.com](mailto:kevinheeley@bigpond.com)  
<http://yarraflatsbillabongs.melbournewater.com.au>

#### GARDEN

Newsletter, outings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 60 members. Fourth Monday Growing Group, 9.30 am at 375 Pinnacle Lane Steels Creek – all welcome.

Deb Edwards 97301479

#### HEWI ( Healesville Environment Watch Inc)

Environmental issues at Healesville Living and Learning Centre, 1 Badger Creek Road.

Maureen Bond 5962 1224 [hewisec@bigpond.com](mailto:hewisec@bigpond.com).

#### HISTORY

The Y.G. & D.H.S. meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 1:30 pm Memorial Hall:

Mrs. Brenda Cawte 9730 1801  
<http://www.yarraglenhistorical.websyte.com.au>

#### LANDCARE GROUP

Ongoing projects and a great opportunity to obtain information, advice and possibly funding about tackling Landcare issues of significance to YOU!'

Sandra Turnley 9730 1550

Check for possible Relocation = SC4 =SCCC = Steels Creek Community (and Cultural) Centre,  
699 Steels Creek Road

JANUARY 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 <b>New Year's Day</b>	2	3	4	5
6	7 Women's Group Social Tennis	8 Garden Club Stitchers	9	10 Social Tennis	11	12 Market
13	14 <b>Recycle</b> Social Tennis	15 Stitchers	16 YG&D Township Group	17 Art Social Tennis	18	19 FYFB Working Bee
20	21 Social Tennis	22 Stitchers	23	24 Art Social Tennis	25	26 Market <b>Australia Day</b>
27 Clamberers SCTC Open Day	28 <b>Recycle</b> Growing Group Social Tennis	29 Stitchers Book Group	30	31 SMB Art Social Tennis		

**HALL & EQUIPMENT HIRE – DO NOT REMOVE ITEMS WITHOUT CHRISTINE TOMLINS' PERMISSION**

To arrange hire of the revamped Hall and/or any equipment please contact

Christine Tomlins 5965 2080

**MARKET**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at SCCC, 10.00 AM Sharp! Community announcements, local fresh produce, preserves, baked goods. The Creek's best home made scones, coffee and tea at every market!

Malcolm Calder 5965 2372

**MOVIES**

2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday each month – 6.00 PM classy food followed by classic movies at SCCC. March through November.

Keith Montell 5965 2202

**SMB (really just a coffee and a chat, football and opera and all in between)**

Last Thursday 10.30 AM – 11.30 AM. Men's morning tea at Anita's Yarra Glen. The August meeting is at Point Pleasant

Gordon Brown 9730 1937

**STITCHERS**

Every Tuesday, 1.30 PM - 4.00 PM at SC4. Since 1993. 24 members, 12 regulars. Work shops plus, bring own work – knit, patch, embroider.

Jane Calder 5965 2372 Nola Matthews 0412 199129

**TENNIS**

Since 1911. Newsletter, competitions, 60 active and social members. Monday Social Tennis to start in November. Tuesdays 9.00 AM - Social Tennis (contact 5965 2202). Thursdays 9.30 AM, Mums' tennis. Thursdays 7.30 PM\*, Social tennis. Saturdays 1 PM to 5 PM regular competitions. \*Night tennis under the lights.

Alby Leckie 5965 2354, Ed Bartosh 9739 1879

<http://www.yarraglen.com/SCTC/>

**WOMEN'S GROUP** Evening Friendship Group

1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 7.00 at JJ's in Yarra Glen. Come for company, conversation, food and coffee. You'll be made most welcome for a pleasant evening of food and chat.

Lindy Montell 5965 2202

**YARRA GLEN TOWNSHIP GROUP**

Meets the third Wednesday of odd-numbered months, 7-9pm – at the Yarra Glen Memorial Hall, see our web site for more information.

(<http://www.yarraglen.com/townshipgroup/>) All are welcome.

Dean Putting 9730 1975

## Cross Creek 53

### Across

1. Good users of this can = a calculator's speed (6)
5. Shakespearian 14. Across (4)
7. Traditionally the colour of purity (5)
8. A rip in a sad eye? (4)
9. No navel, and missing a rib? (4)
10. Nylon ousted this lightweight silk fabric (6)
11. Making mistakes through hesitation? (6)
13. ---- pays (4)
14. Fizzy, fairy drink/ (5)
18. Don't get one in your wash! (6)
21. The big crop (4)
22. "She'll be -----" (6)
24. Popular Mexican fare (5)
25. Have card, will travel (4)
26. "Buy two and ----" Oh, yeah?
27. A good one catches a reader's eye (5)
28. Rapidly expanding biotechnology (4)
29. Formerly a high-ranking Japanese officer (6)

### Down

1. Popular head gear for next few weeks (7)
2. HMO's favourite canine breed (5)
3. Needs a roundabout to balance out (5)
4. The Frenchman will see you soon. (7)
5. A comic strip with blanket coverage (7)
6. Good accommodation at Mt Buffalo (7)
12. Needs a bolt to hold it (3)
15. Nuts in toffee brittle (7)
16. An ape is said to do this (7)
17. Good teachers do the (7)
19. A mischievous ankle-biter (3)
20. This way is still free (7)
22. Long-standing Anglo-Australian rivalry (5)
23. Oil, basil and pinenuts (5)

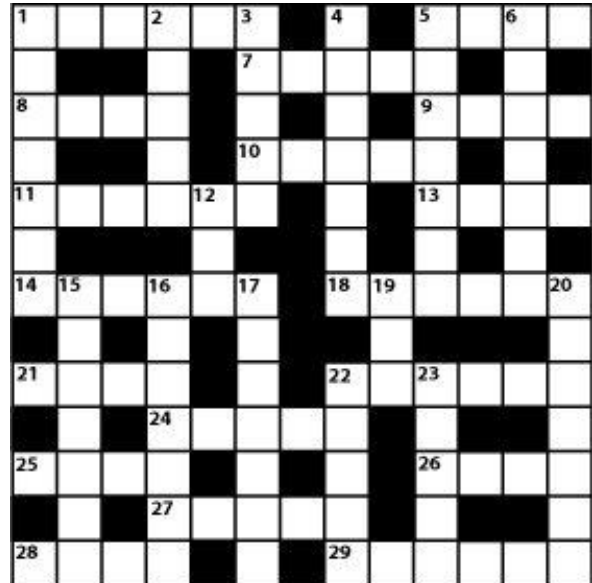
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### Across

1. Muslim/Moslem 5. Stew 7. Onions 8. Neap 9. Open
10. Elbow 11. Agency 13. Mean 14. School
18. Tenths 21. Blue 22. Perish 24. Ropes 25. Abba
26. Boil 27. Total 28. Isle 29. Master

### Down

1. Monday 2. Lupin 3. Money 4. Filbert 5. Snowman
6. Eyelash
12. Coo 15. Colobus 16. Operate 17. Limpets 19. Eve
20. Scholar 22. Psalm 23. Rebus



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