



STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY NOTES - NO 101 (February-March 2013) 'FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE VALLEY'

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Steels Creek Community Centre Committee Report

We are all looking forward to a happy and eventful year. The landscaping of the Community Centre is under way, and we are working closely with the newly formed Steels Creek Association to help achieve more tangible benefits for our great community.

The Christmas Carol night was well attended and produced some fine singing. Thanks to **Vicki Stewart** for setting the centre up, **Tully Henchel** for the music and **Graham Lloyd** for being the choir master.

If you wish to celebrate a personal or community event at the Community Centre please let us know, we are keen to see the Centre used as much as possible.

Minutes of forthcoming Committee Meetings will be available on the Steels Creek Web Site.

Black Saturday Remembrance

There will be an informal gathering at The Steels Creek Community Centre on Sunday 10 February from 12 noon on for those wishing to be amongst friends and neighbours. No speeches or formalities. The BBQ will be available with tea and coffee provided

Steels Creek Tennis & Social Club Happenings

SCTC Open Day: About 25 tennis fans ignored the heat and came out to the Open Day on Sunday (27 January). The snags were devoured with gusto. The kids enjoyed whacking the 'Hot Shots' equipment – kid-sized racquets, nets, and squishy-balls. Thanks to all for the great social day.

Saturday Tennis: Saturday competitions are starting again on February 3. Come show your support from 1pm on Saturdays.

Social Tennis: Whether a hot or cool evening, come enjoy the friendly tennis on Thursday nights. (Mondays not as popular right now, so we'll give that a miss for a while.)

Memberships: We've had some confusion about which memberships apply for what activities, so the committee recently clarified things. Some changes were necessary because of the requirements of Tennis Victoria, our insurance provider. Basically, social members are non-playing supporters of the club - this is changed from the interpretation and application in the past. Tennis players, even those who only play social tennis, must be signed on as senior, junior or family members **and** pay the Tennis Victoria affiliation fee. Again, this is necessary as a condition of the Club's insurance policy. Still a bargain at less than \$6 per month for basically unlimited use of the courts, social and competition play, and access for lessons. Thanks to all for your understanding and support.

Web site: www.yarraglen.com/SCTC/

Ed Bartosh, Secretary



Croquet Is Back

Yes Bill has, with great reluctance (he does not like people walking on the grass), finally pronounced the Lawns fit for play, and so **Sunday March 24** is the date for the Annual Steels Creek Croquet Tourney to be held at Kilravock Adams Lane, off Hargreaves Rd Steels Creek. Starting time is 2 pm, and afternoon tea provided; entry is \$5 with all proceeds going to the Community Centre. It will be a doubles event this year so grab a partner, come along and win a cup.

Yarra Glen Artshow

The 11th Yarra Glen Artshow will be held in the main street of Yarra Glen, celebrating the creativity of the towns people and surrounding region in the newly renovated **Memorial Hall**. The Art show will be held over **Labour Day weekend**, March 8-11, with an opening night on Thursday 7, 6-8pm. The show will be open 10am-5pm daily.

The Artshow has proved to be an important event for our community and we are looking forward to all the local entries and our wonderful volunteers help! **Entries Close Friday, February 22**

2013 will include ephemeral art, and a few demonstrations throughout the main street of Yarra Glen. A large Willow Sculpture by **Gay Chatfield** and **Stefanie Robinson** will be located near the Memorial Hall. ,Get involved and spend as long as you like with these two artist artists, as they create a huge mushroom, woven purely from natural materials. ,With the inclusion of openings to create windows, peep holes and doorways, you'll be able to play in and around the piece once completed. ,We wish to invite community participation in the construction process, passing on skills of how to weave using willow as a medium to those who wish to volunteer. ,Bring your friends and families... no experience is necessary! ,Construction starts February 25 - March 6 - 10am-4pm until complete.

Finally as part of the ephemeral art, we're collecting textile flowers, crocheted, felted, knitted etc., approximately 20cm diameter, to be dotted around Yarra Glen's main street garden beds. If you would like to contribute a textile flower, please have fun with them, but don't pour your heart and soul into them as they could be damaged or commandeered! Please drop them into Morgan at ACME in Yarra Glen before March 4.

Full details about the Yarra Glen Artshow are available at our website www.yarraglenartshow.com.au.

Any enquires; demonstrators and volunteers please contact

Morgan Calder info@yarraglenartshow.com.au or 9730 1552

News From The Steels Creek Association.

Firstly, thank you to JT's editor, Andrew Chapman, for allowing us space in each edition now to keep you informed about the progress of our VBAF-funded and other projects.

Secondly, we wish everyone a safe and happy 2013. ,This dry, hot summer has many of us on edge and has highlighted the need for us all to be there for each other, to lend a hand where needed, to look after ourselves and be as prepared as we can be to keep safe during the bushfire season.

Although it's a year down the track from the 'community conversations' led initially by Cathy McGowan, the identified needs remain relevant and SCA Inc. is now gearing up to start rolling out the funded projects over the next two years, with the assistance of its new Project Manager for Community-led Recovery & Communications – **Eva Matthews**.

Eva was appointed to the role following a thorough and independent recruitment process. She brings all the relevant skills, experience and passion to fulfil this role. The fact that she is a resident, that she experienced Black Saturday and its aftermath, and that she has been committed to this process for the last year also means that she knows the lay of the land and can quickly get on with rolling out the funded projects for the community's benefit. She has our full support and we hope she has yours too.

Eva will work closely with our committee of management to establish priorities and start acting on them. Among her first tasks are the establishment of a community website and the presentation of a series of five free seminars on post-traumatic stress, led by Michael Burge OAM, a highly qualified and respected expert in this field. (See ad in this JT).

It's worth noting that, while our focus is very much on assisting Steels Creek's recovery, we will be extending invitations to our bushfire-affected neighbours in Yarra Glen, Chum Creek and Dixons Creek particularly, who have been largely going it alone since the 2009 fires, as well as to those in Christmas Hills and Kinglake, to come and participate in our planned activities and to connect via the website.

Other planned events over coming months include chainsaw and fencing workshops, first aid training, fire safety awareness and preparation, weekly wellbeing classes at the Steels Creek Community Centre and governance training for those interested in community leadership. These workshops are all geared to building skills and resilience, and to enable us to help each other get back on track and in times of need.

Eva and SCA will also be working closely with the Community Centre's committee to further enhance the refurbished heart of our community. VBAF funding has been allocated towards finishing the landscaping, installing outdoor lighting, creating an indoor kids play area for the littlies and kids club for the school-aged. We will be encouraging family-focussed community events, at which we hope to offer café-standard coffee from a VBAF-funded machine!

We will promote our community activities via the Grapevine and other avenues, so please keep an eye out.

Eva is planning to meet with community members via visits to local clubs/groups and, at this stage, two open sessions over the next month. These will be opportunities to learn more about SCA Inc., about the funded projects, about her role and how she might be able to assist with your recovery needs. As a consultant, Eva will work from home. At this stage, her usual contact hours are 9 – 5 Mondays and Thursdays, 12 – 5 Wednesdays. Please feel free to email projectmanager.sca3775@gmail.com or phone 5965 2496 with your ideas, needs and questions – she is here to help!

Allan Giffard, President SCA Inc.

Campaign To Improve Mobile Communication

As you may know, SCA Inc. has been talking with our Federal MP, Tony Smith, over the last few months in response to a need very strongly identified by residents during the community consultation process conducted in early-2012, being improved mobile phone communications. Tony was instrumental in organising a meeting in early December with himself, a couple of managers from Telstra Countrywide, a couple of SCA members and a handful of interested locals. We discussed a number of short- and longer-term solutions.

The proposed short-term solution is for people to install a Yagi antenna in their home, which is designed to boost any signal that is currently being received. It works by direct plug-in from the antenna cable to your mobile phone, and isn't reliant on a power supply, so provides some assurance of mobile coverage during power outages. This antenna can be teamed with Telstra's 'Smart Antenna', which is a unit that connects to the Yagi and amplifies the signal throughout your house, so you have your own hotspot for mobile and mobile internet access. Unfortunately, if you have no signal, neither of these items will be of any help to you.

If you don't have any signal, you may benefit from:

1. Using a 'blue tick' phone, which is supposed to provide the best coverage in rural areas (however, from the blue tick phone we have been loaned to test signal strength in the area, it's obvious that this isn't always the case).
2. Making sure you have a Next G SIM card in your mobile phone. If you've had the same handset and/or same phone number for more than a few years, your SIM may be limiting your coverage. Old SIMs can be exchanged for free at any Telstra store. There is one at Chirnside Park.

For more info on blue tick phones and improving coverage, look up www.telstra.com.au/mobile-phones/coverage-networks/our-coverage/maximise-coverage.

We are currently circulating the loan 'blue tick' phone via our local Fire Guard groups. We will then endeavour to reach those residents who aren't in one of these groups. This will help us determine how many people might benefit from the installation of a Yagi antenna in the home (which we are hoping to get a 'bulk buy' discount on to help make it an affordable option, and for which we may try to receive philanthropic funding). It will also give us some data to help us make a case for the longer-term solution of infrastructure to improve coverage in the area, beyond just the home.

In terms of the possibility of a mobile phone tower for Steels Creek, I have just received word back from Telstra that, because they've had a look at it and determined it's not a commercially viable prospect for them to fund, the only option is to go for what they term a '100% contribution model', which means, if we want one, we have to pay for it. The cost for this would be a minimum \$500,000. HOWEVER, Marcus Swinburne, who is one of the Telstra managers looking to support us, is looking into the possibility of sourcing funding from the government to help subsidise these costs for small communities such as ours. So, while the vision for a tower is somewhat bleak, it is not completely out of the question yet. There may also be a couple of alternative solutions for us to look into. Watch this space!

Eva Matthews, Project Manager, SCA Inc.

Garden Club

The Garden Club will begin its year with an evening BBQ at Jenny Tetlow's, 29 Henderson Rd, YG at 6pm on Tues 12 February. BYO everything, including a chair, for yourself, and a salad or sweet to share.

Stitchers

Stitchers have been asked by the Art Show organisers to create flowers on stakes to go around YG as publicity for the Yarra Glen Artshow which runs over Labour weekend March 8-11.

We'd love to see you at Stitchers, Tuesdays 1.30 - 4pm at SC3 with some zany ideas for colourful flowers.

Men's Health Talk

A free no nonsense talk about Men's health is being held at The Gary Cooper Pavilion Anzac Avenue, Yarra Glen On Thursday 14 February at 7 pm. Speakers are Dr Barry Waters and Dr Gavin Oakley. Subjects covered will include how to avoid many health problems and dental care.

RSVP to Henry Verhoeven 0409 140775, mensshed@yarraglen.com by Monday 11 February

We Love them – But

Birds I am talking about, as I watch two large Black Cockatoos land on the apricot tree to finish demolishing the remaining not quite ripe fruits, they cannot get them all as they are too heavy to land on smaller branches. Two White Eyes have made a nice home for themselves in the Cherry having found a small opening in the net and are gradually working their way through the not quite ripe cherries.

It has been a Spring of the Birds starting with the Crimson Rosellas switching their attention from the apricot blossom to the wisterias brief flowering period, stripping every flower off, leaving a purple carpet. Then the cockatoos attacked the peas and cabbages, no doubt needing more fresh greens to their diet. Not to be left out the two pairs of Galahs set upon a patch of Daffodils and Jonquils, until our dog, Samantha, gave chase and now the Black Cockatoos got into the act by stripping all the apricots but we have saved the apples - but as I said we love them all dearly but boy do they test our patience.

Then we find this masterpiece of construction both beautiful and practical, the nest a perfect circle, nature's grand designers, in this case perhaps a Mudlark.



PTS – It's Not A Dirty Word!

It stands for Post-Traumatic Stress: a normal reaction to abnormal circumstances.

Did you experience the Black Saturday fires or their aftermath?

Does this hot, dry summer have you unusually on edge?

Are the current fires bringing back unwanted memories?

You could be experiencing post-traumatic stress and not even know it.

Chances are, if you just 'got on with it' after the fires in 2009, as so many people did, and haven't processed the personal impact to you of that event, you 'have PTS'. Left unattended, it can have a lasting impact.

Over a series of 5 seminars, Michael Burge OAM, will shine a light on what you may be feeling and what you may be seeing in others who shared the same experience. Post-traumatic stress affects not only individuals, but also impacts families and whole communities. Come and discover the keys to renewed wellbeing, sense of safety, empowerment and hope.

These seminars are FREE. There will be the opportunity to talk and ask questions following Michael's presentation. If all you want to do is come and listen, that's fine too!

Session 1: Wednesday 27 March – PTS overview

Session 2: Wednesday 24 April – Recommended interventions

Session 3: Wednesday 29 May – The impact of PTS on individuals and the family; secondary trauma

Session 4: Wednesday 26 June – Factors that hinder or facilitate recovery; drawing on experiences of other communities

Session 5: Wednesday 31 July – The way forward for individuals, family and community

All sessions run 7 – 9pm. Venue to be confirmed (Steels Creek or Yarra Glen). Cuppa and sweet treats provided. Bookings are essential. Please contact **Eva Matthews** by 28 February. Email projectmanager.sca3775@gmail.com or ph 5965 2496.

Michael Burge, psychologist and trauma specialist with over 25 years in the field, is Director of the Australian College of Trauma Treatment (www.actt.com.au).

Presented by Steels Creek Association Inc., with assistance from the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund

Steels Creek Stories - Second Stage.

As has been reported in The Jolly Thing; Mountain Views Mail and elsewhere, the first stage of publishing our Steels Creek Stories was completed in November with the launch of Christine Hansen and Tom Griffiths' book "Living with Fire". In the first half of this year, probably mid May, we should see the completion of the second stage with the publication of Peter Stanley's book, "Black Saturday at Steels Creek".

There has been a fantastic response from the community, and well beyond, to "Living with Fire" and a recognition that it is one of the few books published that looks at the personal experience of bush-fires and how they effect communities as part of their history. South eastern Australia, as we have been reminded yet again this year, is possibly the most flammable region in the world. Inevitably, we as a community living in this region, have a history and a future that must cope with living with fire as a potential event each year. I think we should all be very pleased and proud of the contribution our community is making to the deeper understanding of fire.

Peter Stanley has interviewed many people in the Valley and has researched official records and reports from authorities, including the CFA and the Shire, to find out just what did happen to us during those confusing twenty-four hours of Black Saturday. This book, by its very nature will be more confronting, and could only have been written by an outsider capable of looking calmly and objectively at the event. It will be an important record of our experience that will help all those with responsibility for management and control of fire events, as well as the wider communities in our fire-prone region. As the community affected, the deeper understanding that Peter's book will bring should help us to put the events of Black Saturday into a wider perspective.

"Black Saturday at Steels Creek" is now with the publisher and we have a possible launch date of Saturday 11 May at the Steels Creek Community Centre. More information in the next Jolly Thing. **Malcolm Calder.**

Landcare

You are invited to a get-together of the Steels Creek Landcare Group

Come along and share a meal with your friends and neighbours in the Steels Creek area.

Dinner will be a delicious 2 course meal (with alternating choices). Special dietary requirements are available by request.

We would like to hear if there is some way in which Landcare could help you with your property.

Are you interested in encouraging wildlife, farming issues and/or sharing tips of the trade etc.?

When: 6.30pm for 7.00pm Saturday 23 February

Where: Steels Creek Community Centre

Cost: Members \$15
Non-members \$20

BYO drinks

Bookings are essential.

RSVP Lindy Montell – 5965 2202 by Monday 18 February



Clamberers

Clamberers provides a series of monthly walks from March to November each year, in nearby and regional locations.

The walks provide an opportunity to explore or revisit some of our beautiful bushland and other areas in good company.

A good family day out!

Walks are being planned for this year from the end of March, and this year we are planning on including some specifically 'family' walks that would be OK for all ages. Information will be circulated to registered email addresses before then.

If you would like to receive information about these walks but have not been doing so, please register your details by emailing (or telephoning) David or Robyn Allan at drallan@wideband.net.au, telephones 5965 2556 and 0413 396 296.

SC4 Film Club

Super Meal and jolly good company from 6pm on. Films starts 7.30pm.

Here is an Idea. If you just wish to have a delicious 3 course meal with good company and don't want to stay for the film, no problem, at \$7 a head you canna get better value than that

Screening on Friday 15th March: *The Great Race* (1965).

Crank your engines and get into gear with this bit of craziness to get the 2013 season launched. **Jack Lemmon** and **Peter Falk** are nasty Professor Fate and his dim henchman Max. **Tony Curtis** stars as the Great Leslie and **Natalie Wood** as a suffragette reporter Maggie DuBois. Join them on this madcap race from New York to Paris.

A preview of forthcoming features

Screening On Friday 19th April: *Hatari* (1961)

Screening On Friday 17th May : *Brassed Off*

Horse Wanted to Buy

Brown gelding, 15 hands, 12 to 16 years old. Must be well behaved and ready for an early retirement, he will be required to walk around Steels Creek with an aged passenger on board, one who has ridden for 35 years and is now just happy for week end rambles. He would join our two, a thoroughbred aged 24 and an Aussie pony "Whisky" 34 years young.

Price not as relevant as suitable horse most important. Prefer crossbreed. Text or telephone details to **Judith** on 0408 321936

Tai Chi Any One?

A Tai Chi, Exercise and Good Breathing class is running at the Community Centre on Thursday mornings (during the school terms) from 9.30 till 11.00.

Tai Chi is a flowing, meditative form of sequenced movement that promotes relaxation, flexibility, and stamina. It supports good breathing and is recognised as beneficial for people living with arthritis as well as supporting general health.

I have been teaching Tai Chi for 34 years. I studied this movement practice and its underlying philosophy with Professor Wong Lun for eight and a half years. As well as being an Instructor of Tai Chi I have a graduate Diploma in Movement and Dance from Melbourne Uni.

I have taught Tai Chi in many different settings, including as a compulsory movement discipline for all levels at the Vic College of the Arts School of Drama.

The fee per class is \$10 to me and \$2 to the Centre to cover membership and insurance.

If you are interested, you are welcome whether you have Tai Chi experience or not!

Hannah Sky 5965 2211

Rainfall Report – end of January 2013

Gauge Location	December 2012 (mm)	January 2013 (mm) (to 28th January)	Total for 2012	Total for 2011
'Blackwood Hill' -Pinnacle Lane, Steels Creek	36.6	5.2	748.7	1054.4
'Highlea' - Dixons Creek	28.4	5.4	852.8	1165.4
'Kilravock' – Adams Lane, Steels Creek	19	4	773	1104
'Wandearah' - Japonica Drive, Yarra Glen	37.3	4.5	720.2	?
'Newera' - Brennan Avenue, Steels Creek	30.6	5.3	730.7	1026.5

Rainfall from the Dixons Creek Station for the month was 47.2 mm, for 2012 720.2 mm, for 2011 1041 mm

Approximately 3 mm of rainfall fell overnight to 29th January. This rainfall has not been included in the above figures (because of reporting deadlines for The Jolly Thing!).

Malcolm Calder of 'Blackwood Hill' also reports that an analysis of his rainfall records for the past 26 years shows an average annual rainfall of 800.5 mm. His driest year was 2006 with 551 mm, and his wettest year was 2010 with 1091 mm.

Web Site Again Working

After some 4-5 months the Steels Creek Community Centre web site 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 and enjoy.

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 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

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.

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

FEBRUARY 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Tennis Comp
3	4 Women's Group	5 Stitchers	6	7 Art Social Tennis	8	9 Market Tennis Comp
10 YG&DHS Black Saturday Remembrance SC3	11 Recycle	12 Stitchers Garden Outing	13	14 Art Social Tennis Mens Health Talk	15	16 FYFB Working Bee Tennis Comp
17	18	19 Stitchers	20	21 Art Social Tennis	22	23 Market Tennis Comp Land Care Dinner
24	25 Recycle Growing Group	26 Stitchers Book Group	27	28 SMB Art Social Tennis		

Recycle = reminder to put out your recycling bin

ART

Thursdays 1:30 PM – 4.30 PM SC3 - Bring your paints; discuss your art and share skills.

Malcolm Calder 5965 2372

BOOK GROUP

4thTuesday - 8.00 PM; 10 members – limited by library book resources. Lively discussions at SC3. 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 SC3 Market before hand

Robyn Allan 0409 139371 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
<http://yarraflatsbillabongs.melbournewater.com.au>

GARDEN

Newsletter, outings 2nd Tuesdays, 60 members. Fourth Monday Growing Group, 9.30 am at SC3– 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.

HISTORY

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

Mrs. Brenda Cawte 9730 1801
<http://www.yarraqlenhistorical.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

**SC3 = Steels Creek Community Centre,
699 Steels Creek Road Steels Creek**

MARCH 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 Women's Group	5 Stitchers	6	7 Art Singing Social Tennis	8 <i>Yarra Glen Art Show</i>	9 Market <i>Yarra Glen Art Show</i>
10 YG&DHS <i>Yarra Glen Art Show</i>	11 Recycle <i>Art Show</i> <i>Labour Day</i>	12 Stitchers Garden Outing	13	14 Art Social Tennis	15 <i>Movies</i>	16 FYFB Working Bee <i>Tennis Comp Semi-final</i>
17	18	19 Stitchers	20 YG Township Group	21 Art Singing Social Tennis	22	23 Market <i>Tennis Comp Final</i>
24 <i>Croquet</i>	25 Recycle Growing Group	26 Stitchers Book Group	27	28 SMB Art Social Tennis	29 <i>Good Friday</i>	30
31 <i>Easter</i>						

HALL & EQUIPMENT HIRE

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

Andrew Chapman 0412 280773

MARKET

2nd and 4th 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

2nd or 3rd 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 SC3 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

1st 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 54

Across

1. These colours can't easily be bleached (4)
3. Main ingredient of guacomole (7)
8. A cleaned fish is this and no wonder (7)
9. Follow this track? (5)
10. This herb should wait for no man (5)
11. It should be kept straight (6)
13. Batsman in "to 20 Down the fort" (13)
16. Modern ovens are often fan ----- (6)
18. CD's have now replaced these tapes (5)
21. To have ----- up is to have confessed (5)
22. He was once King of crossing the Line. (7)
23. Dear euphemism for 'died' (8)
24. Cases may be open or ----(4)

Down

1. Using cocks for this is now banned (8)
2. Popular Indonesian way of cooking (5)
3. Near German revelry (8,5)
4. The all-seeing nerve (5)
5. Favourite type of clue in cryptic crosswords (7)
6. "All ---- Red Rover" (4)
7. Famous product associated with Portland (6)
12. Not guilty, m'lud (8)
14. How children end up (5,2)
15. Salt drinks help counter these (6)
17. Elegant Lebanese tree (5)
19. Pudgy money (5)
20. Keep the cargo here? (4)

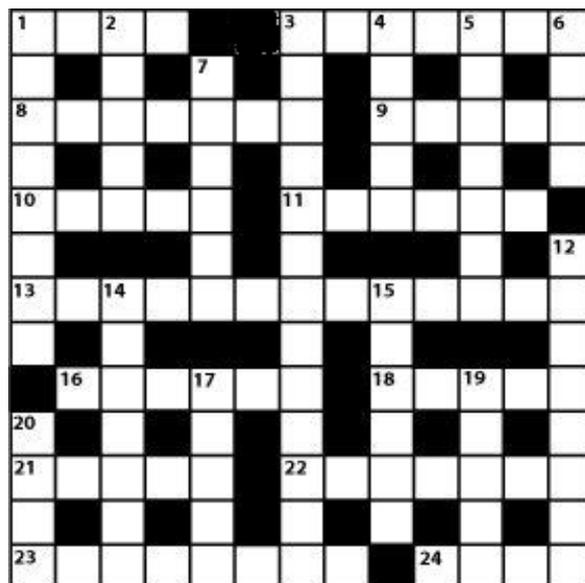
Cross Creek 53 Answers

Across

1. Abacus 2. Puck 7. White 8. Tear 9. Adam
10. Ninon 11. Erring
13. User 14. Sprite 18. Tissue 21. Maxi 22 Apples
24. Tacos 25. Visa 26. Save 27. Title 28. Gene
29. Shogun

Down

1. Antlers 2. Corgi 3. Swing 4. Bientot 5. Peanuts
6. Chateau 12. Nut 15. Praline 16. Imitate
17. Educate 19. Imp 20. Eastern
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