

STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY NOTES - NO 73 (June-July 2008) FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE VALLEY

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Presidents Prattle

Well the renovations are virtually completed, just a few finishing touches to be made, and the "new" Centre was opened formally by **Cr Jeanette MacRae** in early April at the Saturday Market. The opening went off with a bang as party poppers were fired in all directions by those present at the market – some people never grow up!!

Work is continuing to remove the rusty old water tanks (thanks to **Eric & John**) and we will then remove the old stands and generally cleanup around the exterior. Perhaps one day it may be possible to upgrade the toilets.

The Committee has applied to the Shire for a second grant that would enable us to remove the 25 year old gas heater and air conditioner and install reverse cycle air conditioning. It would be desirable also to purchase some decent seating that would be "derriere friendly". As a community we will be expected to raise part of the funding towards these projects. The result of our application will be known in July.

An 8-foot (2. something in metric) stepladder has been purchased for use in the Centre. This should ensure that any repair works and decorating activities are done in a much safer manner than previously e.g. standing on chairs. It is kept in the main storeroom.

In August elections for the Centre Committee will be held at the AGM. Some current members are stepping down and replacements will be needed. The committee only meets about four times a year for an hour or so the input required is not that onerous. The centre cannot run without your input so please give it some thought and consider being on the committee. I had only been here six months when I got roped in and found it to be a great way to get to know lots of other residents – so don't be shy!

Recipe for success

The new expanded Centre was given a wonderful baptism on our Casserole night. We had 36 seated for dinner (could fit 45) and enjoyed some great food; games; endless chatter and were fortunate also to have the May Queen (aka Jean Lowe) in attendance. Her majesty treated those present with royal aplomb, and just a touch of tyranny, appropriate to the onset of May.

Many thanks go to **Christine and Heather** for their efforts in coordinating the evening and decorating the hall and to the various donors of food and of prizes for the raffle.

The evening was great fun and raised \$750 towards the air conditioning/seating.

Keith Montell

From an anonymous source comes the mysterious query "Ask **Norman** and **Vicky** about the sock under the table" What does this mean? Is Norm a sock short of a pair? Was it the casseroles or Norms un-socked foot that added to the night's atmosphere? Was Norm trying to increase the dimensions of the family jewels? Will all be revealed in the next issue? Wait and see.

Biggest Afternoon Tea

The Steels Creek Stitchers would like to once again thank all those in the community who gave their support in so many ways to our Biggest Afternoon Tea held recently. The event was a big success and thanks to you all, we'll be sending off a cheque for over \$1200 to the Cancer Council.

Jane Calder

S4Reel Film Club

The movie nights have so far been very successful and we have seen some good films, enjoyed good food and company.

Well the democratic process has been followed and you are going to get the movies you voted for including (with my arm twisted) musicals. It was interesting to note that the most popular films were in the comedy and romance categories. Dramas were not, with the exception of "Mrs Miniver", all that popular.

See you at the movies, doors open at 6 pm movies at 7pm.

Keith Montell

Fine Food and excellent company precedes all films, don't forget to byo drinks

Screening on Friday 13th June:

A short feature/cartoon first followed by:

ADAM'S RIB (1949)

Friday the 13th!!! We'll laugh it off with a classic comedy.

It's the hilarious answer to who wears the pants – the battle of the sexes fought by that wonderful combination of Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn as a married couple who happen to be lawyers on opposing sides. This film was also the first film role for Judy Holliday. For more see <http://www.allmovie.com/cg/avg.dll?p=avg&sql=1:797>

Screening on Friday 27th June:

A short feature/cartoon first followed by

GUYS AND DOLLS (1955)

Starring Hollywood legends Marlon Brando; Frank Sinatra; Jean Simmons and Vivian Blaine (from the original Broadway cast) star in this Frank Loesser masterpiece. A spectacular song and dance show that is loaded with entertainment.

Two gamblers make a bet that one (Brando) can't seduce a pretty missionary ---- he of course falls in love etc etc etc. Rip roaring romantic fun. For more see <http://www.allmovie.com/cg/avg.dll?p=avg&sql=1:21198>

Screening on Friday 11th July:

A short feature/cartoon first followed by

CHOCOLAT (2000)

In a small French village life has meandered on unchanged until one day a free spirited woman and her daughter arrive and set up a chocolate shop. Welcome by some, resented by others, her presence is life changing. Her tantalizing and delectable treats almost magically cure lost hopes; awaken unexpected passions; and fulfil unspoken desires. (*No wonder women like chocolate*).

The film is in French but with easy to follow subtitles. It is funny in parts; dramatic and of course romantic. A very enjoyable film.

Starring: Juliette Binoche; Judi Dench; and Johnny Depp

For more see <http://www.allmovie.com/cg/avg.dll?p=avg&sql=1:228323>

Friday 25th July

TRAVELERS TALES

ANZAC Day Commemoration and Appeal

The Yarra Glen RSL wishes to thank all those who participated in the March and Service last month. Special thanks go out to Jeanette McRae, our Ward Councillor, who gave the keynote address. And thanks to the local students who made the service all the more memorable: Emily Dunn, Ryley Milner and Jacob Stevenson of the Yarra Glen Primary School and Paterson Saunders, Allie Cairnduff, Georgia Hull and Violeta Brau from the Dixons Creek Primary School. Local residents were also more generous in donations to the ANZAC Day Appeal at the Yarra Glen IGA and at the Yarra Valley Cup race meet – we collected more than \$1500 for the local and state Welfare Funds to help needy veterans and their families. For more, see <http://www.yarraglen.com/RSL/>.



Ed Bartosh, Secretary – 9739 1879

Steels Creek Tennis & Social Club Happenings

Christmas in July. On 5th July, we will have our annual Mid-Winter Christmas Dinner, again hosted at the **Tomlins'** winery on Hunts Lane. Entry by \$20 donation with the usual raffle for prizes. Please ring **Alby** (5965 2354) or **Jean** (9737 6226) to donate a raffle prize or for more information.

Progressive Dinner. On 5th April we had a "progressive" dinner - courtesy of the **Smith's, Ashmore's and Tomlins'** of Hunts Lane. It was a fine gastronomic event topped only by the combined company of those who joined in.

Coaching. Local coach, **Andre Mewett**, tried his best to improve the skills of 12 members over 6 weeks. Most felt they learned quite a bit, but the real challenge is to put it into practice on game days. Social tennis will be better than ever now. Thanks to Andre for the lessons and **Athel Smith** for organizing it.

Social Tennis. Monday and Thursday night social tennis is going well – come have a hit and enjoy the evenings and the softer impact courts!



Ed Bartosh, Secretary, SCTC– 9739 1879

Clamberers

Clamberers undertake walks in local and surrounding areas on the last Sunday of each month from March until November each year. Our aim is to collectively enjoy the bush, the views, the birds, the animals and the company in our wonderful area.

Our April walk in the Donna Buang area was cancelled due to dire weather forecasts and because most people happened to be away. We plan to re-schedule that walk in the future.

Similarly, our March walk at Jumping Creek Reserve was on a day with a dismal forecast and not many walkers were able to be present. However, it was considered by those who were there that the walk should be run again at a later date.

Our **June** walk is planned from **Silvan Reservoir along the Olinda Creek Trail and part of the Mt Evelyn Aqueduct Trail to Mt Evelyn.** Meet at the **Bike Cafe on the Warburton Rail Trail near the intersection of Monbulk Road and Clancy Road, Mt Evelyn (Melways 120 C/D1) at 10.45 for an 11.00 AM start, on Sunday 29th June.** We will need to car-shuttle to the start of the walk at Silvan Reservoir Park, then we will walk back to the Cafe. Bring everything - toilets and water available at Silvan Reservoir Park.

Our **July** walk is a repeat of the walk we had planned for last October 2007, but which had to be called off due to very high wind. It is from **Donnelly's Weir via the Maroondah Aqueduct to the Condon's Track and towards Mt Monda, and return.** Meet at **Donnelly's Weir (Melways 270 G 5/6) at 10.45 for an 11.00 AM start, on Sunday 27th July.** Bring everything – toilets and water at Donnelly's Weir!

Robyn or David Allan, phone 5965 2556.

Cows - Can they Jump over the Moon?

As our near neighbours are only too aware we have three cows that occasionally escape from our place. We again offer our apologies to those who have been inconvenienced and thanks to those who help send them home. I might add they have also seen to our grapes, ensuring that we have *the oldest yet to produce a vintage vines* in the valley, and severely pruned our hazel nut bushes.

The last few times, no doubt in search of the finer things in life they have headed off to the **Steels Creek Winery.** And after a nibble on the vine leaves head across to the hill behind the dam to enjoy the view. There is some history to their escapism. Several years ago we sent our cows off to market; initially they were yarded opposite the tennis club prior to being loaded on the truck. We had kept one calf and its mother managed to escape the yard and find her way back into our paddock, after such a show of devotion we kept her on. Since then she has made a keen study of fences and their weak spots; loose posts, fallen trees, dry creek beds to name a few and has exploited them at every opportunity. She is now busy passing her art onto her grand daughter, Christmas, born on Christmas day two years ago.

As to jumping over the Moon, Alby and Gwen (who feed the cows when we are not there – what would we do without neighbours like Alby and Gwen) have witnessed her jumping over a fence to get to some hay in the feeding yard.

Andrew Chapman

From Neighbours Old and New.

The Old

There IS Life after Steels Creek! Yes, folks; we have survived the transition to the big smoke ... though on a major wood burning day, the valley is hazier. As our recollections grow hazy it is wonderful to recall those days of yesteryear and all the dear friends and lovelies we know still wonder at our 'departure'

Your first concern is, of course, the grape crop and the future of Full & Plenty vineyard, which, be assured, is in good hands with Erin-Marie and John; they will make it all happen in due course. Any guidance, direction and sticky-beaking welcome at 916! Christine continues to make exceptional art and the exhibition at **Three Stories** was a great success.

Her studies in Japanese Art History are coming to a close at Melbourne Uni and she is looking forward to a whack at Medieval Art next. Chris is still solving the problems of the world by studying Ecological History of Humanity and finds that the university has learned a good deal in forty years!

Alphington is most agreeable, wetlands nearby, parks, bowling club, and bike trails all under scrutiny; many of the same birds as in the valley but no skippies sighted as yet. **C&C**

(We are still awaiting a photo of Chris resplendent in bowling club whites, bowl in hand - Ed)

The New

Thank you! Thank you for sending on and *thank you* for the very kind welcoming words. We really do appreciate the effort everyone is making to make us feel so welcome here in Steels Creek. Chris and Christine have been veritable angels with helpful introductions and handy hints; it's been a wonderful start to a time here that we certainly hope (and anticipate!) will be fruitful and interesting. Indeed I just had a chance to read through The Jolly Thing April-May: what fun! We're moving the last of our furniture and boxes tomorrow (some is stored in South Gippsland) so between having everything here and us both being here terra firma for the next few months, we are really looking forward to settling in. Particularly keen to focus on winter vegetables, work out what's next with the vines, sourcing some tennis racquets (seriously, I think the last I had was a wooden frame) and catching up with the Screamers (sp?!).

Erin-Marie O'Neil and John Brand

Food Writers Report

Food review this month is shifted to the city. For people attending any function at the Art Centre or at the Gallery there is a fabulous new restaurant called the **Curve Bar** which is situated in the old gift shop on the ground level of the Arts Centre. This fantastic venue is open from 4:30pm until 1am, making it ideal for early dinner or late supper. The food is "shared plates", ideal for 2 or 4 people. The range is from total vegan thru seafood, vegetarian to meat lovers' overkill. The wine list is very reasonable, mixed drinks and beers are at city hotel prices. The food is modern Australian food with a Japanese and French influence. There are fabulous French fries served with garlic aioli and superb French baby beans served with a balsamic vinegarette (my favourite!). Andrew's favourite is a small rice block with mushroom cap and a swirl of beef wagu. My favourite is the Peking style duck served on a fried wonton wrapper with a herb salad. All in all it is a wrap around great experience topped off with amazing desserts.

Judith Augustine

Shortest Lunch

13 smaller wineries of the Yarra Valley are presenting an array of entrée size meals accompanied by their wines, some with live music, on the actual shortest weekend this year – Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd June 10.00am – 5:00pm both days.

Why not get a group together and start at one of our local wineries, **Steels Creek Estate or Yileena Park**. This is the events 9th year and is great way of enjoying the local wines and meeting the vigneron in a civilized manner without the boisterous crowds that attend Grape Grazing.

The full details are available at www.shortestlunch.com.au.

Pipe Line – Will it Gush or Will it Trickle?

Melbourne's share of water savings — to be delivered by the controversial north-south pipeline — is likely to drop from the promised 75 billion litres to 57 billion litres, making the economics of the \$750 million pipe less attractive. The figures back the Auditor-General's findings last month that the Government's water savings calculations did not appear robust. The management of Goulburn-Murray Water, the authority that oversees the massive irrigation district, now privately admits that for Melbourne to get the water promised by the Government, **the climate will have to become wetter.**

If does become wetter do we need the pipe line?

Landcare

The Steels Creek Landcare "Roundstone dinner and promotion night" was a great success. There were over 70 attendees from the immediate area who had ample opportunity to question the special guests and to transfer useful information while enjoying the good food and wine. The high volume of conversation and many positive comments indicate that the evening was very worthwhile. Thank you to all who attended and to those who took the time to fill out a response form, this gives us useful information for future planning.

Responses generally fit into the following topics;

1. Animal and bird pests.
2. Weed problems and treatment advice.
3. Council related – equipment hire and poisons.
4. Council related – drains, erosion control and bore regulations.
5. Whole farm plans.
6. Fire and emergencies.

These topics will be covered in information nights, dates to be confirmed in the near future.

The first item you will receive is a survey on **animal and bird pests**, this will assist in pinpointing problem areas and species so that remedial action can be planned. Your help in completing the survey will be much appreciated.

Weed problems and treatment advice will be the subject of our next information night, details will be published as soon as our experts can be pinned down.

Ivan Filsell

HEWI - Healesville Environment Watch Incorporated

Join us for creek regeneration with Swinburne students, Monday June 16 at Healesville Primary and Friday June 27 in Queens Park.

Secretary: **Maureen Bond** hwisec@bigpond.com Phone/fax: (03) 5962 1224 Tues & Thurs: (03) 5962 5982

Rainfall Report – to end of May 2008

Gauge Location	April 2008	May 2008 (to 29/5)	To End (29/5) of May 2008	Year to End of May 2007
'Yarradene Farm', Yarra Ridge	28.5	62.0	217.0	220.5
'Blackwood Hill', Pinnacle Lane	22.3	58.0	212.3	218.6
'Newera', Brennan Avenue	22.3	63.2	216.2	227.1
'Kilravock', Greenwood Lane	10.5	72.5	229.5	209.0

Note: Average rainfall to the end of May over the past 8 years at *Yarradene Farm* is **235 mm**.

Croquet 2008 Update

Bill, desperate to have the lawn up to international standards, has called in the expert advice of Peter Rainbow, local pasture and lawn revitalizer. After being selectively weeded, harrowed and sown he is anxiously awaiting the results, October is not far away.

Snippets from our local Member or how we spend your taxes

Bypass to revitalize commerce and tourism in Yarra Glen

The State Government has announced \$9 million in funding for the Yarra Glen Truck Bypass Project. Over 9000 vehicles use the Melba Highway every day, almost 13 per cent of these are trucks. The project will see 1.4 kilometres of new road built between Healesville-Yarra Glen Road and Old Healesville Road. Yes but how will this help remove the trucks North bound along the Melba Highway and West bound through Christmas Hills ultimately going to Geelong.

Member for Seymour, Ben Hardman, MP said that the Yarra Glen Truck Bypass Project would help Yarra Glen realize its full potential as a tourism and recreational centre. VicRoads started planning works in April 2008, with construction works to begin in early 2009.

Grant for Yarra Glen oval

Yarra Glen football and cricket clubs will benefit from a State Government grant for water storage at the Yarra Glen Recreation Reserve. The Member for Seymour, Ben Hardman, said the Shire of Yarra Ranges would receive \$18,000 to install water storage tanks and install irrigation to allow watering to be carried out effectively.

CFA volunteer welfare fund established

A \$2 million welfare fund supporting CFA volunteers will be established following a grant from the State Government in this year's State Budget. Since coming into office, the Government has provided CFA with an extra 520 fire trucks.

Mr Hardman thanked CFA volunteers for their fantastic efforts in protecting Victorians and property from fire and other emergencies every day of the week.

The story behind the 'black beast' occasionally seen in The Valley.

Henry & Pam Verhoeven's association with their 1948 'black beast' started innocently enough on a sunny Sunday in March 2006 when they came across an 'Oldsmobile Classic Car' display organised as part of the Yea Festival. Henry's parents had for a short time owned both a '46 and '47 Series '66' Ace (being identical apart from badges) in the mid 50's. A beautifully restored '46 particularly caught his eye. After a quick discussion with club members as to the availability of a similar car, and with Pam's enthusiastic approval, he was on the phone to the previous owner of their car in Adelaide. Within hours, a deal was done to purchase their '48 'classic' car subject to a satisfactory appraisal by an independent Club member local to the seller.

The '48 Olds could be classified as *an early restoration*, but even after 60 years, was in quite good condition generally. Henry's 20 year dream was coming to fruition, and as his retirement was just around the corner, both he and Pam would have time to enjoy their 'classic' purchase.

Having been unused and *on blocks* since its last prior outing in the 1990 *Birdwood to Bay Rally*, the '48 was prepared for transport back to Melbourne in mid May 2006 on a car trailer towed by the Commodore whilst the numerous spare parts accumulated by the previous owner were brought back in the Hi-Ace van. Fortuitously, a few of those spares have already found their way into the car's upgrade.

As Henry's mechanical knowledge is virtually non-existent, it was necessary to bring the car up to a visual, mechanical and safety related standard that would enable both of them to enjoy their new / old car. For those reasons, any lingering ideas of spending years bringing the car up to *concourse condition* were sidelined. Anyway, the Oldsmobile Club were anxious to see the car back on the road, as according to their records, it would be only the 5th '48 model (and 7th in the '46 to '48 model range) on Australian roads.

Firstly, the disintegrating 'stick on' whitewall *cross-ply* tyres were replaced with full whitewall *radials* thus bringing the car's look back to the 40's era. A good *cut and polish* made the car sparkle again, but showed up its typically poor 'assembly line' build. That problem is yet to be addressed. Digressing a little.... of the 900 cars built for the Australian market, the chassis and front sheet metal was produced at Oldsmobile's home town plant in Lansing, Michigan (USA) before being sea freighted out to Oz. The bodies were built in Woodville (SA) and assembled by GM-H Fisherman's Bend (Vic) and Pagewood (NSW). A small emblem on the front passenger door indicates that this particular car was assembled at Fisherman's Bend..

The original radiator was retained but extensively cleaned and re-cored. The electricals were converted from 6 to 12 volts with 100 watt halogen headlights, modern indicators and reversing lights fitted. As the original radio was beyond redemption and replacements not available, the new owners opted for a discreetly placed radio/cd/mp3 player with retractable electric aerial. This has the dual function of entertaining AND drowning out the noise emanating from cars of that era.

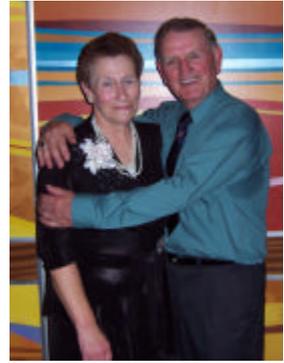
When preparing the car for its RWC, the mechanics insisted that rust in the under body be cut out, and that the scratched windscreens be replaced. It seemed strange at the time that the 4 *spares* provided did not fit. Subsequent research showed that up to a dozen different and optioned up models were available in the US, but only 1 other experimental model was built in Oz. The Club President was able to supply a replacement for the worn steering arm (thus eliminating that 'wandering' feeling), and from within the stock of spare parts, the mechanics were able to rebuild the carburettor back to the original specification. The correct exhaust manifold was also sourced from the *spare parts bin* resulting in a much refined engine. The clutch, which had for all intents and purposes, been destroyed during a previous 'restoration', had a complete local 'one off' rebuild, but is now a thing of beauty (never mind the cost... appreciate the quality!!!) The almost non-existent exhaust was replaced to comply with EPA noise levels. After receipt of the RWC and registration on *club plates*, the car had 4 colour coded lap/sash seat belts fitted, thus avoiding a ADR engineer's report on their compliance... whoever in Australia heard of seatbelts in a 1946 vehicle.

One thing that remains a mystery, and Club Members that have been spoken to are unable to give an answer....why have this car's hubcaps and emblems seemingly been painted an original turquoise and yellow instead of Oldsmobile red? After all, Ransom Olds **built the world's first** motorised passenger vehicle in 1897 and created the first vehicle assembly line. Soon after, the colour red became the corporate trademark. Original selling price: 924 pounds (\$1,848) compared to Holden's 735 pounds (\$1,470).

Henry Verhoeven

“You have to marry some one to really know them”

Words of wisdom from Alby (Albert to his parents) Leckie on the occasion of his and Gwen's Golden Wedding anniversary and he should know after 50 years of wedded bliss. Many Screekians were at the celebration on the event along with other friends and relations, a most enjoyable occasion. It was a special night of celebration, dinner, and dancing, led by happy couple who demonstrated some fancy footwork on the dance floor.



Don't sell the kids

Send them to Yarra Glen Pre-School Anzac Ave Yarra Glen instead. Enrolments for 3yo and 4yo placements are now being taken. There is an **Open Day on Saturday 9th August 9am - 12 noon**

Maree Rothwell 9730 1490

Why are we here?

No, not the answer to the eternal Mystery, but why are we living in this precious part of the Yarra Valley - Steels Creek. In our cases it was because of horses. Judith had her horses agisted on the Lithgows' property at Coldstream and we had decided to buy some land for the horses to run on.

A chat with a number of Screekians* indicated that most arrived here by chance, few knew of Steels Creek before they arrived here, including us, all they were after was a country or a bush setting not too far from Melbourne. Some wanted not a lot of land but ended up with acres others did not want a sloping block or a two storey house but got both, the views triumphed.

None knew of the active community that we enjoy here and maybe that is a good thing otherwise Steels Creek could be over run like the mining boom days. As the Indian Chief said "a good community is more valuable than Gold" or words to that effect.

* Thanks to one of our newest arrivals **Erin-Marie O'Neil** for this word to describe Steels Creek locals. Spell check, not happy with Screekians, suggests screeching, streakiness, creakiness and secretions as alternatives, just override it and add it to your computers vocabulary.

Andrew Chapman

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 inaugural Chris Mullen award for literary excellence. Winner announced at the Community Carols 2008. Contributions for the next edition close on July 28th

Email Addresses - New and Up dated

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

Have you changed your email (I have received at least 10 returns in three mail outs)? Let me know your new one.

Also

Do you want to be kept up on local Steels Creek happenings, events and offerings? Let me know so you don't miss out. Send an email to thejollything@yarraglen.com and we will put you on the Grape vine.

Also, also

Some occasion or happening we should know about? Send me the Details and I will put it in **The Jolly Thing** or on the Grape vine.

Andrew Chapman

JUNE 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2 Women's Group	3 Ladies Tennis Stitchers Singing	4	5 Art Social Tennis	6	7
8 YG&DHS	9 Recycle Social Tennis <i>Queen's Birthday Holiday.</i>	10 Garden Craft 9.30 SC3 Ladies Tennis SSS Singing	11	12 Art Social Tennis	13 Movie <i>(Adam's Rib)</i>	14 Market Tennis Comp
15	16 Social Tennis	17 Ladies Tennis Stitchers Singing	18	19 Art Social Tennis	20	21 Tennis Comp <i>FYFB Working Bee Shortest Lunch</i>
22 Shortest Lunch	23 Recycle Social Tennis Growing Group	24 Ladies Tennis SSS** Singing Book Group	25	26 SMB Art Social Tennis.	27 Movie <i>(Guys and Dolls)</i>	28 Market
29 Clamberers	30 Social Tennis					

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

4thTuesday - 8.00 PM; 10 members – limited by library book resources. Lively discussions at SCCC.

Robyn Allan 5965 2556

CLAMBERERS

Last Sunday (March to October). Since 1993, the walking group has hiked over local tracks to explore the flora and fauna of the Valley and surrounding areas. Walks are announced at the SCCC Market beforehand.

David and Robyn Allan 5965 2556 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, 53 members. Fourth Monday Growing Group, 9.30 am at SC4 – all welcome.

Chris Lumsden 9730 1136, Gillian Poulton 5797 8266

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 Eric Tetlow 9730 1445 etetlow@aphalink.com.au
<http://www.yarraglenhistorical.websyte.com.au>

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

HALL & EQUIPMENT HIRE

To arrange hire of the revamped Hall and/or any equipment please contact Christine Tomlins 5965 2080

SCTC Christmas in July Dinner – 5th July at the Coinda Estate (Tomlins) Winery, Hunts Lane

SC3 = SC4 =SCCC = Steels Creek Community (and Cultural) Centre, 699 Steels Creek Road

JULY 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Ladies Tennis Stitchers Singing	2	3 Art Social Tennis	4	5 <i>Christmas in July Dinner - SCTC</i>
6	7 Recycle Women's Group Social Tennis.	8 Garden Outing Ladies Tennis SSS** Singing	9	10 Art Social Tennis	11 Movie (Chocolat)	12 Market
13 YG&DHS	14 Social Tennis	15 Ladies Tennis Stitchers Singing	16	17 Art Social Tennis	18	19 Tennis Comp <i>FYFB Working Bee</i>
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27 Clamberers	28 Social Tennis Growing Group	29 Ladies Tennis SSS** Book Group Singing	30	31 SMB Art Social Tennis		

LAND CARE GROUP

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

John O'Neill 6965 2224 or David Allan 5965 2556

MOVIES

2nd & 4th Fridays – 6.00 PM classy food followed by classic movies at SCCC. March through November.

Keith Montell 5965 2202

SINGING

A-Capella men and women folk songs Tuesday evenings 7.30pm 25 Wallace road, off Skyline Drive

Angie Macmillan 97301998

SMB

Last Thursday 10.30 AM – 11.30 AM. Men's morning tea at Anita's Delicious Fudge Shoppe Yarra Glen.

Gordon Brown 9730 1937

STITCHERS

Every Tuesday, 1.30 PM - 4.00 PM at SCCC. Since 1993. 24 members, 12 regulars. Work shops plus Bring own work – knit, patch, embroider;**SSS – Informal "Stitchers Sit & Sew" alternate Tuesdays.

Jane Calder 5965 2372, Christine Tomlins 5965 2080

TENNIS

Since 1911. Newsletter, competitions, 70 active and social members. Mondays, 7.00 PM, (Social tennis). Tuesdays 10.00 AM, Mid-week ladies competition. Thursdays 7.00 PM, Social tennis. Saturdays 1 PM to 5 PM, Regular competitions. All welcome!

Albie 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 and coffee. You'll be made most welcome for a pleasant evening of food and chat. **Kitchen will be open.**

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Cross Creek 27

Across

- 1. Healthy Scots breakfast (8)
- 5. Local traffic hazard (4)
- 7. All purpose greeting (4)
- 8. Sparkling luminosity (8)
- 9. Spirited (6)
- 12. Don't burn these cans (7)
- 15. These maketh man (7)
- 19. Monkey blood groups? (6)
- 21. ----- in Blue (8)
- 22. This power should be exercised wisely (4)
- 23. Some things are better left un----(6)
- 24. Island of Stevenson's creating (8)

Down

- 1. A dummy should do this (6)
- 2. Have you, like us put these down here? (5)
- 3. Did this Harry need a wash? (5)
- 4. A bit'o bitter lettuce (6)
- 5. It was Melbourne's tallest (6)
- 6. The Fiddler sang of making one or two(6)
- 10. The Grand is a Yarra Glen one (4)
- 11. Masfield felt the call of a running one (4)
- 12. This animal's no fool (3)
- 13. Impulsive skin condition (4)
- 14. Sometimes I ---- & thinks. (4)
- 15. A far from minor car (6)
- 16. The cat did this (6)
- 17. Did it distill a snappy reply (6)
- 18. Where Michael rowed his boat to (6)
- 19 Does it have to have a reason?(5)
- 20. Those who listen here may wish they hadn't (5)

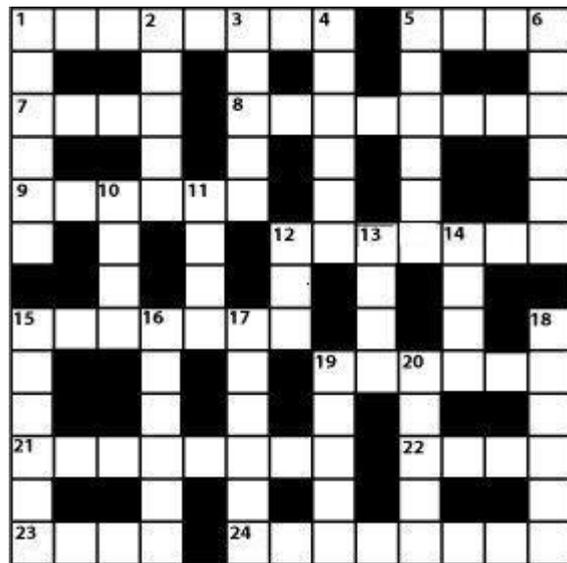
CROSS CREEK 26 ANSWERS

Across

- 1. Answers 4. Laser 7. Minimum 8. Brain 9. Bridge
- 12. District 15. Squatter 17. Parent
- 18. Reels 21. Pastime 22. Lalor 23. Swaddle

Down.

- 1. Aerobics 2. Weirdo 3. Sump 4. Lamb 5. Satanic
- 6. Rain 10. Edits 11. Usurp 13. Test tube 14. Numeral 16. Framed 18 Rael 19. Spur 20. Isis



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