



STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY NOTES - NO 121 (June-July 2016) 'FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE VALLEY'

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## **IN THIS EDITION:**

***A somewhat limited Edition this time as many of our regular contributors seem to have gone into hibernation, but support your local wineries in the shortest Lunch, consider joining a committee in this year's AGM season, watch a great movie in great company.***

### **From the SCCC President**

What a beautiful time Autumn is up the Creek. Thanks to all our volunteers and "can do" Community folk there have been many occasions for all to enjoy. Some highlights were the School Holiday Drumming Workshop at the Community Centre, and the Pizza Night at the Tennis Club. Both events had so many people from our little Steels Creek Community involved; it was wonderful. Happy Winter!

Go nuts.

As always, any feedback or ideas about what you'd like to see happen in the Steels Creek Community Centre please send through to [steelscreekcommunitycentreinc@gmail.com](mailto:steelscreekcommunitycentreinc@gmail.com).

Best wishes,

JB



Northern Yarra Landcare Network  
**STEELS CREEK**  
**Landcare**  
Group

Put Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July in your calendar, not to be missed the SCLG AGM....I know AGM's are normally avoided much like the plague but this year we are using the opportunity to celebrate all things gourmet in Steels Creek by having a Harvest Feast. Mmmmm slow cooked lamb, local wines perhaps a local honey panna cotta, local cheeses, fruits and vegetables will give us a delicious reason to get together.

Details; Yes **you do need to book**, we are asking for a \$10 donation which will give you a ticket in the door prize and I have it on good authority that the prizes will be plentiful. This can be paid along with you membership renewal (details below). You do need to be a member of SCLG which brings me to our next item,

### **Membership fees are due by 1<sup>st</sup> July**

Memberships of \$20 per household can be paid by -

- Cheque made out to SCLG and sent to P.O. box 562, Yarra Glen
- Direct deposit to Steels creek Landcare group Bendigo bank BSB 633-000 account no 124262114. Please include your name as a reference.
- Cash to Graham Lloyd (Treasurer) at the SCCC market

Please renew your membership details by mail to PO box 562, Yarra Glen 3775 or email [steelscreeklandcare@gmail.com](mailto:steelscreeklandcare@gmail.com) for a membership form if you are a new member.

And finally **please consider joining our committee**, we really are nice people and it's not hard work. You have much more to offer than you realise...so please...just think about it and maybe join as a general committee member; after all you might be the person who has the idea that will make SCLG even better than it is now.

## Celebrate the shortest weekend of the year at the Shortest Lunch - 18 & 19 June 2016

Join our local wineries – Dixons Creek Estate and Steels Creek Estate for expertly matched cuisine, great wines and music. Lookout for local “Screekian”, Dave Gormley, on his acoustic guitar at Steels Creek Estate.



The Yarra Valley's smaller winemakers invite you to join them for the Shortest Lunch Festival being held on 18 & 19 June 2016

Take pleasure in the smaller things in a moving feast of entrée size meals and wine as we celebrate the winter solstice.

It's the perfect way to meander around the Yarra Valley's boutique wineries and savour great food, wine and music, without the normal hustle and bustle. We would love for you to come and support the wineries closest to us who are participating in this year's Shortest Lunch festival; **Steels Creek Estate** and **Miller's Dixons Creek Estate**.

To take part in this progressive dining experience, simply pay \$15 at the first winery you visit, where you will receive a souvenir tasting glass. This glass allows you to taste and enjoy the wines and food at all the participating wineries you visit each day. Menu options ranging from appetisers through to desserts are available for purchase from between \$7.50 per item up to \$18 per item.

Plan your day by visiting the Shortest Lunch website [www.shortestlunch.com.au](http://www.shortestlunch.com.au). You can also use the map of participating wineries to identify where to go over the two days of the festival.



Family friendly and good fun, you can get to know the people behind the wines and get off the beaten winery trails, to discover some of the hidden treasures produced in the Yarra Valley.

The Yarra Valley Smaller Wineries encourages the responsible consumption of alcohol and responsible driving. Follow and share your festival experience of the *Shortest Lunch* on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) #shortestlunch2016 #yarravalleyssmallerwineries #boutiqueisbetter

## S4Reel Film Club

Guaranteed laughs; suspense; and drama together with fine food and good company.  
Dinner and movie in our Gold Class venue.

- **Screening on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June: Crackerjack (2002).**

Power, greed and money, (and a few bowls) all collide in this enjoyable tale of a city bowls club, threatened with eviction, that has to rely on a good for nothing larrikin to save it. Starring Mick Molloy; Judith Lucy; and Bill Hunter

- **Screening on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July: The Italian Job (1969).**

Join Michael Caine and Noel Coward and a gang of English crooks in this swinging 60's caper packed with fast cars; beautiful girls; and wild action. This is the original and best version- don't miss it.

**DINNER FROM 6pm – FILM STARTS 7.30pm**

## Biggest Morning tea report

The combined efforts of the Steels Creek Stickers and the YG Living and learning centre raised an impressive \$2598 Well done everyone and a wonderful time was had by all.

## **WEATHER REPORT**

The dry conditions have continued with April 20 mm below average. April was an improvement being only 3 mm below. We are now 49 mm below average for the year so far. In April most stations around Melbourne had a mean daily maximum temperature over 2° above average with Coldstream being 2.2° above. On 23rd May, Melbourne recorded a temperature of 20° at midnight.

Barry Sheffield

RAINFALL – to 29th May

<b>Station</b>	<b>April 2016 (mm)</b>	<b>May 2016 (mm)</b>	<b>Total to end of May 2016 (mm)</b>	<b>Total to end of May 2015 (mm)</b>
<i>'Blackwood Hill'</i> Pinnacle Lane Steels Creek	44.7	74.4	246.4	216.8
<i>'Highlea'</i> Dixons Creek	54	82.6	285.2	235.4
<i>Melbourne Water</i> Melba Hwy, Dixons Creek	48	71.6	233.6	201.2
<i>'Wandearah'</i> Japonica Drive Yarra Glen	47.6	68.3	240.6	209.9

Wet As A Shag

The goddesses are weeping  
Twelve ml overnight  
Ten more today so far  
This garden fairy's grinning

Can get stuck into the dockweed  
Don't need the pick axe  
Yeh  
Just a gentle yank  
They all give up so willingly  
"Take - I'm yours"  
Divine doings

Thanks goddesses  
Persistent, Floaty, Drifts  
Shimmering puddles  
We rid our gum boots of their cobwebs

Gleeful farming, My soul grins

"Wet as a shag"  
That's what dad used to say  
"Wet as a shag"  
Feels so good  
Keep up those tears, babes  
Honey-pies  
Cry your eyes out

You're sure helping us down here  
Thump... Thump...  
'Roos are making joeys.  
It's wet enough for them to play

Weeping, Seeping, Sob sob

I'm wet as a shag – yeh - Judy Anderson

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## Steels Creek Tennis and Social Club Happenings

**Mid-winter Social Dinner:** We are again having our mid-winter social dinner for 45 friends to enjoy. Come and warm your cockles at the Steels Creek Tennis Club by calling Alby (5965 2354) to reserve a spot. Cost is \$30 for adults, \$15 for kids 6-12 years old. Saturday evening, July 16th, 6pm for 6:30 dinner. BYO. Contributions for a raffle would be appreciated.

**Community Pizza Night:** Thanks to the Steels Creek Association for sponsoring a Pizza Night on May 14<sup>th</sup>. It was a great turnout. Many gathered by fires in the adjacent paddock while kids enjoyed use of the courts. It kept going long after some of us older members went home to warm up. Great time Mark and Maree.

**Friday Locals Tennis:** All sessions have been a great success. Look for updates on the SCTC Facebook page (see below). Please contact Mark if you may be interested (for food planning purposes) at 0411 111 839 or [mark@independentplumbinginspections.com.au](mailto:mark@independentplumbinginspections.com.au).

**Social Tennis:** Thursday social tennis is enjoying some nice friendly tennis - with several new participants. Come, join in and get some good exercise. Level of play is social! Stay afterwards for a chat and drink (BYO please).

**Ladies Social Tennis:** Lindy and Joanne have been playing on Monday mornings at 9am. Contact Lindy if you'd like to join in for a bit of light fun (5965 2202).

Web site: [steelscreek.vic.au/community-groups/tennis-club/](http://steelscreek.vic.au/community-groups/tennis-club/)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/SteelsCreekTennisClub](http://www.facebook.com/SteelsCreekTennisClub)

Ed Bartosh



## Steels Creek Community Centre Bookings now On-line

Ever thought about using our Community Centre for a function or event, but were not sure about checking availability, fees, booking process. It is now easy as the Steels Creek Community web-site now has an automated on-line process for that purpose.

Simply:

- Open the Steels Creek Community web-site (go to [www.steelscreek.vic.au](http://www.steelscreek.vic.au) ).
- Select the **SCCC** tab.
- Scroll down the page to find, 'Do you want to book the Centre for a function/event?'
- Click on, 'Check availability and make an on-line booking enquiry here.'
- Follow prompts for information, charges and to make a booking request.

You will receive an acknowledgement of your request and further confirmation when the booking is confirmed. If you have queries, the contact person for bookings is Christine Tomlins, telephone 5965 2080

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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 72, 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 from August 2003 are available.



Want to be kept up to date on Local Steels Creek events and offerings?  
Let me know and I will put you on '[The Steels Creek Grape Vine](mailto:thesteelscreekgrapevine@steelscreek.vic.au)' so you don't miss out.  
[thegrapevine@steelscreek.vic.au](mailto:thegrapevine@steelscreek.vic.au)

Go to <http://steelscreek.vic.au/publications/the-steels-creek-grapevine/> .



## Steels Creek Calendar

JUNE 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 Group Personal Training	2 Art. Social Tennis	3 Pilates	4 Tennis Comp
5	6 Women's Group	7 Stitchers.	8 Group Personal Training	9 Art. Social Tennis.	10 Pilates	11 Market
12 YG&DHS (Yarra Glen).	13 R  <i>Queen's Birthday</i>	14 Stitchers. Garden Club. Yoga.	15 Group Personal Training.	16 Tai Chi. Art. Mindfulness Meditation. Social Tennis.	17 Pilates.	18 .Tennis Comp.  <i>Shortest Lunch</i>
19  <i>Shortest Lunch</i>	20 Mobility & Stretching. Art Class. Group Fitness	21 Stitchers. Yoga.	22 Group Personal Training.	23 Tai Chi. Art.. Mindfulness Meditation Social Tennis	24 Pilates. SCTC Locals Friday Tennis <i>School Term 2 ends</i>	25 Market
26	27 R Growing Group	28 .Stitchers. Book Group	29	30 Art SMB. Social Tennis		

'R' = *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 – 7.30 PM; 10 members – limited by library book resources. Lively discussions at SCCC. New Members welcome.

Ivan Filsell 5965 2248

### FRIENDS OF YARRA FLATS BILLABONGS

Development of wetlands adjacent to Yarra Glen.

Kevin Heeley 9730 1704 [kevinheeley@bigpond.com](mailto:kevinheeley@bigpond.com)

### GARDEN CLUB at SCCC

Newsletter, outings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 60 members. Fourth Monday Growing Group, 9.30 am at SCCC– all welcome.

Jill Hess 9730 1960

### 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 Yarra Glen & District Historical Society meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 1:30 pm Yarra Glen Memorial Hall:

Helen Mann 9730 1875 <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! '

Angie Lloyd 0412 343 242, [steelscreeklandcare@gmail.com](mailto:steelscreeklandcare@gmail.com)

### HALL & EQUIPMENT HIRE

To arrange hire of the SCCC and/or any equipment please contact.

Christine Tomlins 5965 2080

JULY 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			.		1	2
3	4 Women's Group	5 Stitchers	6	7 Art Social Tennis	8	9 Market
10 YG&DHS (Yarra Glen)	11 R  <i>School term 3 starts</i>	12 Stitchers Garden Club	13 .	14 Tai Chi. Art Social Tennis	15	16 Tennis Comp.  <i>SCTC Mid-Winter Dinner</i>
17	18	19 Stitchers	20 .	21 Tai Chi. Art Social Tennis	22 . SCTC Locals Friday Tennis.	23 Market Tennis Comp.
24	25 R Growing Group	26 Stitchers Book Group	27	28 Art Social Tennis SMB	29 <i>Steels creek Landcare group AGM 6.30pm</i>	30 Tennis Comp
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#### 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.

Malcolm Calder 5965 2372

#### MOVIES

2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday - March to November – 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 anything in between!)

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

Gordon Brown 9730 1937

#### STEELS CREEK ASSOCIATION

Facilitating the safety, wellbeing, sense of connectedness, healing and enhancement of the Steels Creek Community.

Stephanie Giffard 0418 364 318

#### STITCHERS

Every Tuesday, 1.30 PM - 4.00 PM at SCCC, since 1993. 24 members, 12 regulars. Workshops plus, bring own work – knit, patch, embroider.

Jane Calder 5965 2372, Nola Matthews 0412 199 129

#### TAI CHI

Every Thursday in School Term time at SCCC.

Hannah Sky 5965 2211

#### TENNIS

Since 1911. Newsletter, competitions, 60 active and social members. Mondays 9am, ladies social tennis; Thursdays 7.30 PM\* - Social tennis; Friday Locals Tennis - for adults and kids - 5pm last Friday of the month (Unless noted in calendar); Saturdays 1 to 5 PM regular competitions.

Alby Leckie 5965 2354, Ed Bartosh 9739 1879

\*Night tennis under the lights. Website: [steelscreek.vic.au/community-groups/tennis-club](http://steelscreek.vic.au/community-groups/tennis-club)

#### WOMEN'S GROUP - Evening Friendship Group

1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 7.00 PM. Come for company, conversation, food and coffee. You'll be made most welcome for a pleasant evening of food and chat. Note: For current venue location, contact Lindy (5965 2202), or Christine (5965 2080).

Lindy Montell 5965 2202

## Cross Creek 74

### Across

1. Member of one of the AFL "bird" teams (6)
5. Make eyes at (4)
7. Melbourne has a Rod Laver one (5)
8. Another 1Across (4)
9. Does one in the backside constitute a ....start? (4)
10. It was a good move, Fitzroy to Brisbane in 1996 (5)
11. Budding stars sometimes .....from almost nowhere (6)
13. ....your mother come from Ireland?
14. This lot are into marching in (6)
18. "..... for tennis?"
21. The bird teams better watch out for these!(4)
22. A one-pointer (6)
24. Mike ..... comedy magician or a SA'n frog expert (5)
25. Into the net, between the posts. It's a .... ! (4)
26. How the best fairy stories usually start. (4)
27. Irish guy's name (5)
28. C 'mon, .... up! (4)
29. Clydesdales are the ..... among horses (6)

### Down

1. To put an Aussies jinx on someone (7)
2. May come without glory (5)
3. Yet another bird (see 1 & 8 Across) (5)
4. A Ballart speciality (7)
5. Thursday of Cup Week (4)
6. From where a lecturer is supposed to lecture (7)
12. Beer is renowned for such a phenomenon (3)
15. Highly prized univalve, marine mollusc (7)
16. What a nestling does best (7)
17. Risky way to get a tan (7)
19. A woman's born name (3)
20. To some of us the footy season feels ..... (7)
22. How to get the bacon home (5)
23. Much ado about probably nothing (5)

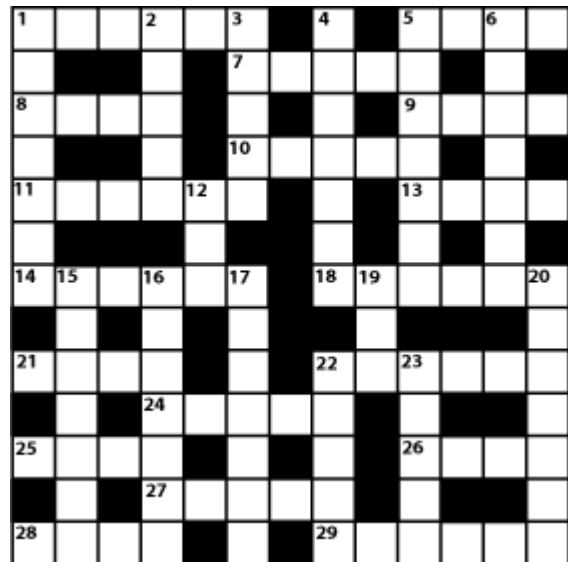
### Cross Creek 73 Answers

#### Across

1. Rabbits. 4.Enter 7. Snoring. 8. Strip. 9. Greens.
12. Hot X buns. 15. Navigate. 17. Simnel. 18. Borer.
21. Unusual. 22. Bilby. 23. Trumpet

#### Down

1. Religion. 2. Sonnet. 3. Spin. 4. Eggs. 5. Thorium.
6. Reap. 10. Reap. 11. Sties. 13. Skylight 14. Overall.
16. Embalm. 18. Barb 19. Ruby. 20 Hunt



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*No worries!*

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**27<sup>th</sup> July 2016**