the jolly thing

STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY NOTES - NO. 140 August - September

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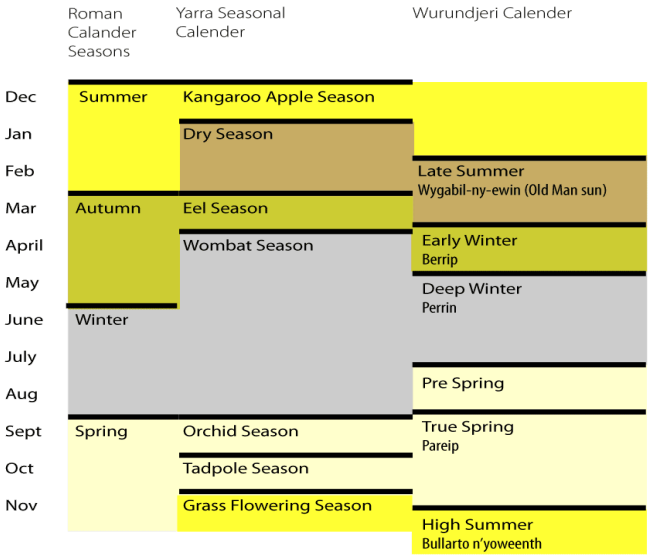
Season of change...

...What season is it?

Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter are the four seasons that we are all familiar with. But in our part of the world there are more seasons, each determined by weather patterns, biological changes in nature and the activities we engage in. Winter is wonderful for all of its coolness but the Pre-Spring season on the Wurundjeri calendar is a welcome, uplifting thought. - *Sal B.*



One for the Birds

Robyn Henchell

The Rainbow Lorikeet flew onto the seat on the back verandah and started playing with a tennis ball, before hopping down to the door as if waiting to come in. Intrigued I went outside where it immediately flew onto my shoulder and started saying 'hello' repeatedly.

Knowing a domesticated bird won't survive in the wild for long I borrowed a cage from a neighbour and left the bird in the sun whilst I gardened. Unfortunately Lorikeets screech rather than having a melodic song so the two Jack Russells currently in residence decided it had to go. For those people unfamiliar with terriers their bark is shrill and loud and the two I'm looking after sound like the Hounds of the Baskervilles when we walk them. What with the screeching and the barking I knew I had to find the owner fast.

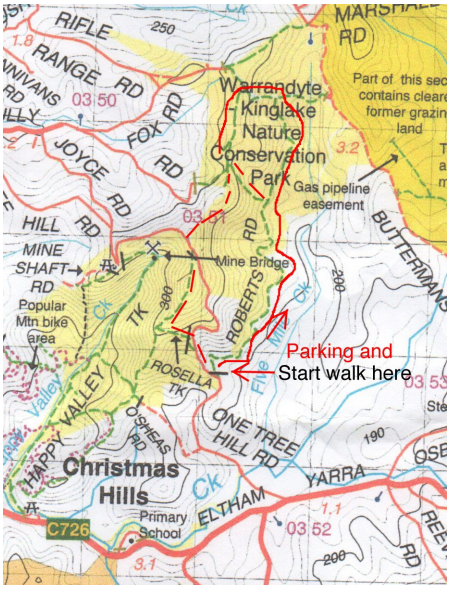
I posted messages on various social media sites. Later that day I received a response from a distraught owner who had lost a bird in Knox several days prior. She sent a photo of a Lorikeet wrapped in what looked like a party decoration that resembled a feather boa around the birds neck. 'Is this the same bird' she asked? Well I don't know about you, but all the Rainbow Lorikeets look alike to me and to try and identify one from an out of focus headshot only was nigh impossible. I felt like saying well it isn't wearing a boa for a start, but thought I'd better keep my comments to myself.

The next day the bird was taken to Coldstream Animal Aid where I hoped it would be looked after properly and peace returned. Several days passed before I was once again contacted, this time by a person in Tarneit who had lost a Lorikeet three years ago. The text message was sent with photos and a short video. When I replied I really felt like saying it's time to move on as there is no way the bird would have survived three years in the wild, let alone reach Yarra Glen. Instead I suggested she contact the shelter and explained that the bird I had said 'hello' and 'okay love' as if it had spent it's life listening in on telephone conversations. I soon received a text back saying 'oh that's not my bird then'. Mine speaks with a German accent.

GET OUT THERE! *Exploring our local environment and nearby places with Peta Whitford.*

This edition takes you to #5 Roberts Rd and One Tree Hill Loop

This edition takes you to the Christmas Hills area, west of Yarra Glen, where there is a multitude of short and longer walks available.



How to get there.

Take the Eltham - Christmas Hills Rd (west) and up the hill, out of Yarra Glen to the One Tree Hill Rd on your RHS (here is an Aust Post Box at this intersection). Turn into One Tree Hill Rd and continue for 1.6km. At this point there is a broad nature strip on RHS (for parking) and the start of Roberts Rd (NOTE - it is NOT a road intersection).

You can *create your own adventure* here depending on your time available and the age of the walkers. The route marked is an 8km walk, however you can shorten the route taking the first loop available downhill on the Bullen Bullen track. Map details: Rooftops Map 1:50,000 i.e. 1 km squares on the map.

The walk is well signposted with track names. The start is a very well formed 4 wd track which has been constructed by a private land owner providing access to the 'State Park'. Along the way deep gullies are named eg 'Lyrebird' and each track intersection has good signs. On reaching the Five Mile Creek Track the bush opens up to more open vegetation. Turn left and walk uphill. At next intersection turn left following the ridgeline. Along the way the bush opens to grassland with some stunningly large gum trees. A closer look and you'll find fungi, mine shafts and bird nests.

If completing the 8 km circuit, once past the Bullen Bullen track (on LHS) there is a need to navigate south off track, through the open bush, along the spur, to avoid walking too close to the house (private property). This leads you to the One Tree Hill Rd. Cross this road and continue south firstly uphill to the One Tree Hill 'peak', There are views here looking towards Melbourne - the vegetation makes for interrupted views! However the eagles may provide a visual display of gliding and swooping.

Then walk downhill approx 400m where you'll need to take the track to the left (Rosella Track) to the One Tree Hill Rd. From here carefully walk on the road for the final 250m to your parked cars.

Contact me, the intrepid local explorer, for map advice or anything in this and previous walks - piwhitford@bigpond.com

Grow, Eat, Share - The Abundant Winter Garden

Dale Perkins

Well what a month it has been! For those who got tough and pulled out the tomatoes in late February to get their brassicas in, I commend you. I was lucky enough to get mine in the ground early March, and have been rewarded with a glut of broccoli, cauliflower and romanesco broccoli. Interestingly for those nature nerds out there, the Romaesco broccoli is a perfect example of numbers in nature. It follows a number pattern called the Fibonacci sequence, as do sunflower seed centres, pine cones and pineapples. The spiral is quite amazing to look at, but most importantly, great to eat! I've also had an abundance of Tuscan red kale growing, and have managed to produce the most amazing soup from the garden (recipe to follow).

I've noticed bud swell on my peaches and nectarines - time to spray for leaf curl. If you haven't already pruned your fruit trees, now's the time. Should anyone need some advice on pruning, I'd be happy to lend a hand, but I'm by no means an expert!

I have already planned my tomato seedling for the week ahead. Again, timing is everything, so have a think about which varieties you can add to your veggie patch. One of the great varieties I grow up at *Edible Forest* at Yarra Valley Estate is called an Italian Keeper. You don't harvest the fruit on the plant, the idea is that you pull the whole thing up and hang it upside down to ripen throughout the winter months. I tried it this season, and can honestly say that it is the most amazing tomato I have ever eaten at this time of year.

If you have a surplus of lemons, limes and oranges, don't forget to slice them up, freeze them on a tray, then transfer to containers for those balmy summer nights when only a Gin and Tonic will do.... for the ladies out there watching their waist łines, vodka, soda and a few slices of frozen lime will have you sipping guilt free bevvies! And of course, there's always room for a slice of lemon or lime in your Corona....

If you do find that you just have way too much citrus, you can always jump on to Facebook *Yarra Valley Crop Swap* - people trade what they have in surplus for eggs, seedlings, seeds, preserves etc. this is one of the smartest things I have seen, as it proves that you don't need to grow everything!

So, get outside and embrace the seasons - now is as good a time as any to start a veggie patch, or to continue your own love of growing edibles. I'm always happy to chat about growing food, feel free to give me a buzz on 0439 946 329 to visit my little patch on Hunts Lane.

Now, about that soup recipe...

Kale and Broccoli Soup

2-3 handfuls kale (remove thick stems)
1-2 potatoes, peeled and diced
2-3 heads broccoli chopped
1 onion diced or 2 leeks if you have them
3-4 cloves garlic chopped
Chicken stock or vegetable stock
White wine (just a splash - maybe 1/3 cup)
Coconut cream 400g can
Water

Please note, it doesn't really matter how much broccoli you use, I just throw a bit in if that's all I have, you could also use cauliflower if you have that.

Sauté in a soup pot chopped garlic, onion or leek in a little butter. After about 5 mins, add the white wine and let it reduce. Add the potatoes, stock, kale and broccoli. Cook about 5 mins. Add the coconut cream, and about the same amount of water. You can adjust the thickness by adding more water if you want. Cook for around half an hour. Add a little salt and pepper, blitz with a stick blender and ***enjoy!***

SCCC - A restful stop for horse trail riders

Every year a group of horse riders from St Andrews ride along the Steels Creek Trail and stop off for a rest and lunch at SCCC before returning back on their route. Well, I never knew!!!

The horse were very content in the front paddock of the Community Centre Just one of the many and varied uses valued by our community centre.

- Maree Rothwell

Did She Jump *or* Was She Pushed

Lindy Montell

Recently, my efforts at cape weed eradication were interrupted by the plight of a young kangaroo that had been chased into next door's dam by a dog. After chasing off the dog I left the kangaroo where it was in the hope that it would come out of the water of its own accord. After an hour or so I went to check but the poor little thing was just too frightened to move and shivering violently with shock and the cold. I waded in (the water felt very chilly as it seeped into my boots and past my knees) and after floundering about and a couple of valiant tries managed to grapple with the joey and manoeuvre it onto dry land. (I had visions of the headlines – Missing woman found in neighbour's dam!). When I had managed to manipulate it onto the grass I rubbed its spine to help warm it up and could feel its little heart racing. I then left it on the bank in the hope that it would soon recover and move away but it was still there an hour or so later. My trusty assistant (Yvette) stepped in with a towel to try and dry it off some more only to have it rear up, grapple with the towel and make agitated noises at her. But it seems our extra intervention had the desired effect as it then bounced off at a great rate and was soon out of sight!

Steels Creek Book Group Review

Julie Riddell

June - *Cloudstreet* Tim Winton

There were so many positive comments about this book. We loved the use of humour, expressive phrases and rhythm. The story is about two Western Australian families who share a very large house, and during the 20 years their lives intertwine with conflicts as well as friendship and love. Tim Winton not only used their close living arrangements to set the story, but also wrote vivid descriptions of the outdoorsiness of WA.

July - *Brooklyn* Colm Toibin

An Irish girl emigrates from Ireland to Brooklyn, USA, to take advantage of better job prospects and the opportunity to advance her education. And she meets a nice young man there. Two years later she returns to her homeland for a brief visit with her mum and receives a good local job offer and re-meets a decent local lad. Decision time: Stay in Ireland or return to Brooklyn? We had an interesting and varied responses to this book.

SCCC bookgroup currently has no vacancies, please contact Julie - 0422 424 694 if you're interested in joining. In the meantime, all our books are available to borrow from Eastern Regional Library.

HEWI's 30th Celebration - Sunday October 20, 2019 we will be celebrating 30 years of '*protecting and enhancing our local and global environment*' and we invite the Steels Creek community as members and friends at this event. Over the years we have represented the Ward of Ryrie and the Steels Creek membership provided dynamic advocates and activity leaders for Ecological courses and orchid discovery walks, amongst other advocacy. Please mark this date in your diaries now, and the HEWI committee will present the full details in the next edition of TJT. Healesville Environment Watch Inc aka HEWI remains a strong advocacy group with annual activities and facilitated events. Please email Maureen: hewisec@bigpond.com with any queries about HEWI.

Local Art and Exhibitions

Ivan Filsell

Yarra Valley Open Studios are getting closer, brochures are now out and available from local art friendly outlets including Steels Creek community centre or any member of the Steels Creek Art Group including Ivan Filsell or Malcolm Calder. As in previous years the open studios are in three groupings: Maroondah Highway 21-22 Sept., Melba Highway 12-13 Oct. and Warburton Highway 9-10 Nov. Steels Creek art group is in the Melba Highway group in October therefore I will detail our offerings in the next Jolly Thing. Meanwhile 10 of our members are working away to put on a good show.

On the edge of town at 899 Healesville–Yarra Glen Road Art at Linden Gate has Georgia Simitzis colourful exhibition “Skin” finishing on Aug. 5 so be quick. This will be followed by colourful and quirky sculptures by Jessie Yvette Journoud-Ryan ('Duck Tangle' left) and mixed media work by Michael Fountain that combines textiles printmaking and photography. This “Cornucopia” will run from Aug 9 to Sept 16.

Further along the Healesville road Tarrawarra Museum of Art there is a hive of activity in preparation for the coming “Archie’s” exhibition running from 24 September to 5 November. The last Archie’s at Tarrawarra attracted 40,000 visitors and I believe this one will be even bigger. Let’s hope for good weather to allow all the earthworks for improved parking, footpaths and landscaping to finished and established before the crowds rush in. While this work proceeds there is still time to catch the current intriguing exhibition “The Tangible Trace”. The trace being a mark or imprint left by a person or action, this could be current or from long ago. This exhibition is good brain food. ***Enjoy our art.***

Steels Creek Art Group

Anthea Forbes

The Steels Creek Art Group, which meets every Thursday afternoon, in the SSC hall, was fortunate to receive a small grant of $1000 from Yarra Ranges Council this year, to hold an Art workshop. With clever planning, we were lucky enough to hold three workshops, over three months. The third workshop was held in June when the group learnt about Fluid Art using coasters and cheese boards with Bec Gilbert. These were great morale building and fun workshops, the Art Group is extremely appreciative to be able to use this outstanding venue each week and on special occasions like this.

We are excited to be participating once again in the Yarra Valley Open Studio in October, giving us all a chance to exhibit and demonstrate all our different art skills, this group just continues to get better and better. A big thank you to Malcolm, Ivan and the other artists for all continuing your support and friendship.

Steels Creek Landcare Group - The Best AGM Ever!

Steels Creek Landcare held its AGM on Saturday, 19 July. The formal business was rather longer than usual (all of 20 minutes). Then we got down to the really important matter of enjoying a great curry meal (thanks Angie, it was delicious) and the company of friends. Two new committee members were elected - Amanda Williams and Jo Hudson and Angie Lloyd emerged again for a re-incarnation as President. Get well messages were sent to Jennifer Duncan who is now reported as making distinct but slow progress. She is now out of ICU and having physio which not surprisingly is very tiring after a long period of inactivity plus not being able to eat. We are reserving her a place on the committee.

Steels Creek Stitchers

Jane Calder

It was great to see SCCC being used in such a wonderful sharing way when a community quilt- making day was held there recently. Over a dozen people, largely from our Stitchers and Yarra Glen's Living and Learning Centre's Sticks & Hooks group gathered to make quilts for orphans under the expert guidance of Denise Naffa. There was a real air of concentration and pleasure as we selected from the huge choice of precut squares then joined and arranged them as we chose. The "experts" among us soon had finished pieces to show and tell, others were slower but by the end of the day we all had the satisfaction of squares either to take home and work on there or to leave with Denise who would continue our good work.

Women's friendship and sharing at its very best, do consider joining us at our next session - TBA

SCCC AGM - All welcome

Monday August 19 7pm

The Steels Creek Community Centre has for many years been part of what holds our special Screekian community together. An important gathering place.

What does the Steels Creek Community Centre Committee do?

The committee is responsible for the management and maintenance of the centre which is leased from The Shire of Yarra Ranges. We are responsible for ensuring sound financial management of the centre. The centre is predominantly funded from the users, who pay a fee when attending the centre. We also fundraise and seek community grants and donations. We act as coordinator of the many groups and users of the centre. We act as a central point of contact between The Shire of Yarra Ranges ,our local councillor, our State and Federal members of Parliament and various government departments and you the Screekian!! We also host community events, such as our Pizza Nights. We work closely with other community groups, such as Steels Creek Tennis Club, to share resources and host joint community functions.

Please consider joining our committee, many hands make light work and new faces help the committee keep connected with the wider Steels Creek community as well as inspire new journeys and ideas for our community

We also coordinate the Steels Creek Website, oversea the publishing of The Jolly Thing and The Grapevine, with assistance from our wonderful volunteers.

See you there.
Maree Rothwell, *President SCCC Committee*

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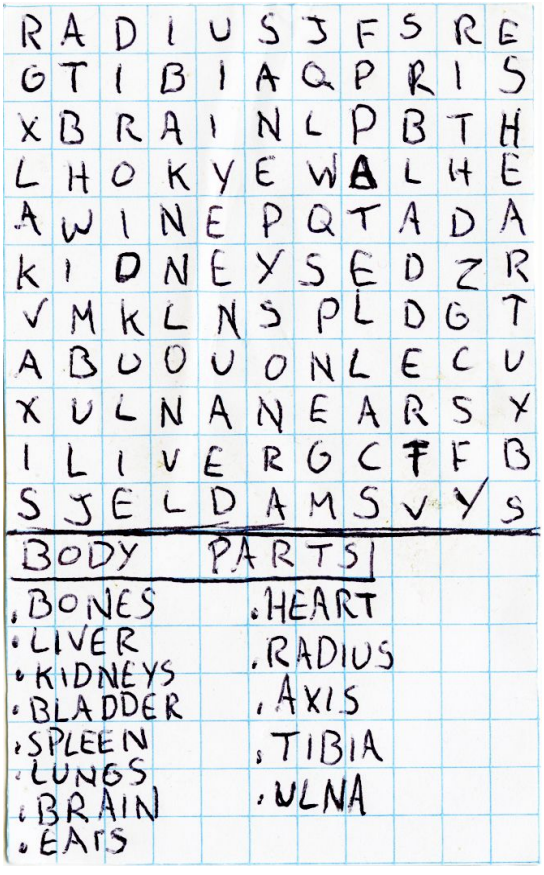
Steels Creek Stitchers

Lily Ellis

I'm a member of the Yarra Glen Pony Club and I got the amazing opportunity to represent Pony Club Australia in China. I visited the city of Ningbo with three other amazing riders, Rose, Oliver, Jett and my instructor, Sarah. We got to experience how they ride, take care of their horses and their facilities. It was so different to Australia, one of the riding schools was on the 6th floor of a shopping center and we even got to take a pony in an elevator. The other riding school we went to had amazing facilities with two arenas and stalls. They mostly had ponies but they also had a few big horses. We mainly did flatwork and poles but we also participated in games and showjumping. Other than riding we visited lots of places like a temple, and an aquarium. We also got to try different food over there and we had to use chopsticks, which was very funny to watch. Overall, it was the most amazing trip and can never stop talking about my incredible memories I made and I hope to go back to China one day.



AFL GRAND FINAL - SEPT 28

What belongs to you that other people use more than you?

Answer: page 12. - Thanks O!

What are you into? What's happening in your backyard? Let us know! scjollything@gmail.com

SC4 Reel Film Club

August 16 Dinner 6pm \ Film 7:30pm

We look forward to you joining us for guaranteed laughs; suspense; and drama together with fine food; good company and a movie in our Gold Class venue.

Screening on Friday August 16: Quartet (2013).

Set in Beecham House, a home for retired musicians, this delightful film about life in general and how one can age gracefully and disgracefully as the situation demands. There is sadness and joy, laughter and tears, drama and tension as the residents learn to cope with life. All-star cast: Maggie Smith; Billy Connolly; Tom Courtney; Cecily Robson; and Pauline Collins.

Film screening in September - TBA.

Cost is $10 per person plus $4 for the Centre. For those able to provide food it's just $4 donation for the Centre. Please let me know if you are able to supply a main course, salad or dessert.
Lindy - 5965 2202

Steels Creek Tennis Club

Mark Newell / Ed Bartosh

The Steels Creek Tennis and Social Club held their annual Christmas in July dinner at the Community Centre on Saturday Evening, 27 July. A great time was had by all who attended. An excellent dinner was prepared by Angie Lloyd, which was eagerly devoured. The laughter and banter was fantastic as friends got together to reminisce and enjoy the evening. Thanks also to Mark, Graham and their families for arranging the Hall to perfection. York was the surprise MC for the evening as well.

Sunday Tennis - Starts 6 Oct Steels Creek Tennis Club will begin 'Sunday arvo' tennis. This is a trial to encourage local players from Steels Creek to Healesville to play social tennis at our Club's courts. Our courts will be open for a few hours mid-afternoon Sundays at 3pm. Tennis Competitions recommence 12 October and the weather is on the improve so this is a great opportunity for 'locals' to have a social hit or join our Club to further participate in competition games representing Steels Creek, of course.

Comp Tennis - We are in need of players for the summer season, which runs from October 12 thru March next year. Play is Saturday afternoons from 1-5pm and generally fun and social (at our level). We need 3-4 more volunteers who will play frequently or we will have to pass for another season. Please contact Ed Bartosh at 0438 508 235 if you are interested and willing.

Annual General Meeting: The Steels Creek Tennis and Social Club, Inc will hold its AGM on Thursday, 10 October at a time to be advised. Please join us.

Social Tennis: It's been a bit cold and windy for most of us for Thursday social tennis. Let's look at September top start up again. Also, it's been suggested that we try Sunday afternoon social tennis as well. We'll see if you enjoy that better - first Sunday in October when it's warmer - 6 October at 1pm - we'll light up the BBQ for a free sizzle as well. Watch the Grapevine and your inbox closer to the time. We have great facilities, and it's sad to see them, vacant and without the sounds of laughter, banter, and, yes, a little sledging.

SCTC Family Nights August 30 SCCC at 6pm, Sausage sizzle dinner / BYO Drinks Cost $25 families, $10 couples $5 singles

Pizza Night - Saturday September 14
$10 per head / $5 primary school kids
RSVP to Maree Rothwell, 0414278649
maree@rothwells.com.au by Friday September 6

Steels Creek Garden Club

Jill Hess

Tuesday August 13 - Mystery Trip!! - BYO Morning Tea we will all car pool 9:30am Y.G. park
Tuesday September 10 - Beleura House and Garden Mornington 8am Departure from Yarra Glen Morning tea and Lunch included. **Tuesday 24th September** - **AGM** After a quick meeting - 9.30am start at SCCC - we will enjoy a guest speaker, Elise Carter, talking about herbs and different ways of using them. She will also have some for sale. Anyone is welcome to the meeting or at 10am for a coffee followed by the talk. **Mark your diary Saturday November 9** Steels Creek Flower Show, gates open at 9am to 2pm.

The garden club get together regularly for outings, planning and to propagate each month. The 4th Monday of each month is dedicated to propagating plants for our community events and local fundraisers. The 2nd Tuesday is dedicated to outings and flower show planning. The garden club has an open door policy. ***Anyone*** is welcome to join us and can ring Jill for more details - 0430108672

Saturday Morning Market

Not only are there are many delicious and tempting items for barter or sale at our markets - including coffee with scones and cream but also it is a time to catch up and chat with neighbours and friends. Then there are the community announcements and always a bit of footy chat in season.

The community feel is always great so why not come and join us at our fortnightly markets, perhaps on your way down to Yarra Glen to pick up the Saturday papers See you there. 2nd and 4th Saturday.

Market dates: August 10 and 24 - September 14 and 28 - 10am

The Weather Report

by Barry Sheffield

Our rainfall for June was 3 mm above average which was reflected across the Melbourne area with the exception of Coldstream which was 10 mm below average. Our July rainfall was 7 mm below average which was generally the case across the Melbourne area with again Coldstream being the exception with 14 mm above average. Good falls in the upper Yarra catchment in the middle of July resulted in the river peaking at 3.46 m on the 17th and filling Murrup Brarn Yarra Flats Billabongs. We are now 106 mm below average for the year so far. Temperature wise for June the Melbourne mean maximum temperature was 1.4° above average and Coldstream 0.7° above with the minimum temperatures also 1.4° above for Melbourne and Coldstream 0.1° above. Of note was that Melbourne on average has 8 days with maximum temperatures above 15° in June, but this year there were 17. The July mean maximum temperature for Melbourne was 1.5° above average and Coldstream 0.6° above with the minimum temperatures 2.2° above for Melbourne and 1.2° above for Coldstream. July has seen record maximum summer temperatures experienced for a number of European cities.

RAINFALL – June - July 2019

Station	June 2019 (mm)	July 2019 (mm)	Year to end of July 2019 (mm)	Year to end of July 2018 (mm)
'Blackwood Hill' **Pinnacle Lane Steels Creek**	75.2	55.6	324.6	338.7
'Highlea' **Dixons Creek**	91.6	67.6	364.8	371.8
Melbourne Water **Melba Hwy, *Dixons Creek***	61.8	55.6	309.4	324.6
'Wandearah' **Japonica Drive Yarra Glen**	64.1	55.4	307.2	320.3

The Steels Creek Calendar is also available to view at www.steelscreek.vic.au

August 2019						
Sun	**Mon**	**Tues**	**Wed**	**Thurs**	**Fri**	**Sat**
				1 Social Tennis Tai chi Art	**2**	**3**
4	**5 R** Women's group	**6** Stitchers	**7**	**8** Social Tennis Tai chi Art	**9**	**10** Market
11	**12**	**13** Stitchers Garden Club	**14**	**15** Social Tennis. Tai chi Art	**16**	**17**
18	**19 R** *SCCC AGM*	**20** Stitchers Book Group	**21**	**22** Social Tennis Tai chi Art	**23**	**24** Market
25	**26** Growing group	**27** Stitchers.	**28**	**29** Social Tennis Tai chi Art SMB	**30** *Family Night*	

ART Malcolm Calder 5965 2372
Thursdays 1:30 PM – 4.30 PM SCCC - Bring your paints; discuss your art and share skills.

BOOK GROUP Julie Riddell 0422 424 694
3rd Tuesday – 7.30 PM; 10 members – limited by library book resources. Lively discussions at SCCC.

FRIENDS OF YARRA FLATS BILLABONGS Kevin Heeley 9730 1704 kevinheeley@bigpond.com
Development of wetlands adjacent to Yarra Glen.

GARDEN CLUB at SCCC Jill Hess 9730 1960
Newsletter, outings 2nd Tuesdays, 60 members. Fourth Monday Growing Group, 9.30 am at SCCC– all welcome.

HEWI (Healesville Environment Watch Inc) Maureen Bond 5962 1224 hewisec@bigpond.com
Environmental issues at Healesville Living and Learning Centre, 1 Badger Creek Road.

HISTORY Helen Mann 9730 1875 www.yarraglenhistorical.websyte.com.au
The Yarra Glen & District Historical Society meets 2nd Sundays at 1:30 pm Yarra Glen Memorial Hall:

LANDCARE GROUP Angie Lloyd 0412 343 242, steelscreeklandcare@gmail.com
Ongoing projects and a great opportunity to obtain information and advice about tackling Landcare issues of significance to YOU! '

STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE ONLINE BOOKINGS Or call Christine Tomlins 5965 2080
It's easy to check availability, fees, booking the Centre.

- Open the Steels Creek Community website 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 online booking enquiry here.'**
- Follow prompts for information, charges and to make a booking request.

September 2019						
Sun	**Mon**	**Tues**	**Wed**	**Thurs**	**Fri**	**Sat**
1	**2 R** Woman's Group	**3** Stitchers	**4**	**5** Art Social Tennis	**6**	**7**
8	**9**	**10** Stitchers Garden Club	**11**	**12** Art	**13**	**14** Market *Pizza Night*
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22	**23** Growing group	**24** *Stitchers Garden Club AGM*	**25**	**26** SMB Art	**27** *AFL Grand Final Holiday*	**28** Market *AFL Grand Final*
29	**30 R**	**31** Stitchers				

MARKET Malcolm Calder 5965 2372
2nd and 4th Saturdays at SCCC, 10.00 AM Sharp! Community announcements, local fresh produce, preserves, baked goods.

MOVIES Keith Montell 5965 2202
2nd or 3rd Friday - March to November – 6.00 PM classy food followed by classic movies at SCCC.

SMB (really just a coffee and a chat, football and opera and anything in between!) Gordon Brown 9730 1937
Last Thursday 10.30 AM – 11.30 AM. Men's morning tea at Anita's Yarra Glen.

STITCHERS Jane Calder 5965 2372, Nola Matthews 0412 199 129
Every Tuesday, 1.30 PM - 4.00 PM at SCCC, since 1993. Bring own work – knit, patch, embroider, chat and friendship.

TAI CHI
Every Thursday in School Term time at SCCC. Hannah Sky 5965 2211

TENNIS Alby Leckie 5965 2354, Ed Bartosh 9739 1879, Lindy Montell 5965 2202
Since 1911.Newsletter, competitions, 60 active and social members. Monday or Wednesday 9am, ladies social tennis contact Lindy. 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. ***Night tennis under the lights.**
Website: www.steelscreek.vic.au/community-groups/tennis-club

WOMEN'S GROUP - Evening Friendship Group Lindy Montell 5965 2202
1st Monday, 6.30 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).

R – Put out your recycle bin Government School Holidays / Public Holiday

*PAGE 1 Calendar; Jones, Mackay and Pisini (1997)
*Jolly JNRs Joke Answer: Your Name. *Jolly JNRs wordsearch: Your Name. Elin Calder

THE STEELS CREEK GRAPEVINE

Want to be kept up to date on local Steels Creek events and offerings? *The Grape Vine* is an email only update on news and events that have missed the recent edition of the The Jolly Thing. Many thanks to Neil Hanson from Araluen Lodge for taking over the role of editor for The Grapevine. It's been an absolute pleasure to have been responsible for sending out the Grapevine over the past few years. But it's time to move on. Please continue to send any content, notifications, and/or reminders to thegrapevine@steelscreek.vic.au.
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