the jolly thing

STEELS CREEK COMMUNITY NOTES - NO. 142 December - January

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Steels Creek in Summer...

Strudel's Story *Henry Brand*

This is a true story about Streudel.

Streudel was a Steels Creek steer who was three and a half years old (What is a steer? A steer is a male calf that has had an operation so it can't be a father to baby calves).

Streudel lived on a hill at Joe and Pepsi's place on Greenwood Lane. He came to live with them because they had a bullock already (the one with the big horns, his name is Sandra) who was lonely. So they got Streudel to keep Sandra company.

When Streudel came to to Steels Creek he was very skinny because he hadn't been very well looked after where he was living before he came to Joe and Pepsi. Joe gave Streudel apples daily to fatten him up so he could have a happier and longer life. And that is how Streudel got his name, like apple streudel.

Streudel was a very friendly steer. Some of the other steers and cows didn't let Streudel play with them, but Streudel always let others play with him. Also Streduel loved Joe so much that he let Joe cut the horn which was growing into his eye on the right side of his face, so it wouldn't hurt him. Streudel used to follow Joe around everywhere all around the farm. He used to come to the house gate to be fed him apples, If Joe didn't have an apple, Streudel would push him with his head. Even the dogs liked Streudel and he wasn't frightened of the dogs. He was a very friendly steer.

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Hit up your op-shop for alternative Christmas wrapping

Does it make your eye twitch to see the mounds of wrapping and plastic ribbons going into the bin on Christmas morning? Those gorgeous metallic, super shiny and glittery papers contain plastic and can't be recycled...so, if paper wrapping is your only option, go for recyclable paper BUT if you wonder into your local op-shop or low brow antique shops and there are many other ways to wrap and decorate your presents;

- Scarves
- Tea towels, linen and placemats
- Vintage cards
- Dress patterns
- Old maps
- Jars and cookie tins

Decorate with

- Trinkets and ornaments
- Decorative brooches
- Twigs from your pine tree or flowers from the garden.

Enter the world of *Furoshiki* Fabric Gift Wrapping, it's creative, sustainable, reusable and seriously addictive.

Dear Sckreekians. Well, here we are, the last Jolly Thing for 2019 and the decade!

With 60 editions published this decade, this is the 141st Jolly Thing since its inception. They are wonderful snapshots into the life we lead in Steels Creek. It is a rich collection that is continually archived through the State Library of Victoria for our future generations to enjoy!

What a year we have had!

Our community centre has had a busy year with Commemorative gatherings in February, Pizza Night at SCTC, Open Studios in October and the Annual Flower Show in November. These events run alongside the regular meeting of Stitchers, Tai Chi, Growing Group, Book Club, Art Group, Movie Night and the Garden Club, as well as our regular market day.

This year we were successful in obtaining several grants which helped activities keep ticking along. We received grants for Commemorative activities and for upgrading Defibrillators at SCCC, SCTC and the YGPC, Anthea Forbes was also successful in obtaining grants for the Art Group which enabled them to hold several specialist workshops. Good work all!

It never ceases to amaze me how much Sckreekians do!!!

I am always amazed and gratified by the community spirit that is alive and well.

These community events don't just happen there are many hands that humbly and quietly work away to make sure they do happen. Behind the scenes Steels Creek have a wonderful group of worker bees, who keep our website and booking system working, who keep the Grapevine growing and the Jolly Thing written, published and distributed. Thank you, I would also like to acknowledge the SCCC Committee. They work with me to keep everything on track and I am grateful for their help, support and friendship. Thanks also to SCTC and Steels Creek Landcare group. They both do great work in Steels Creek and we love working with them.

As the year comes to a close, on behalf of SCCC Committee I would like to wish you and those you love a safe and happy Christmas.

Maree Rothwell

President SCCC

We're kicking off the next decade with a BBQ!

Join us. Australia Day - Sunday, 26 January 2020 @ SCCC

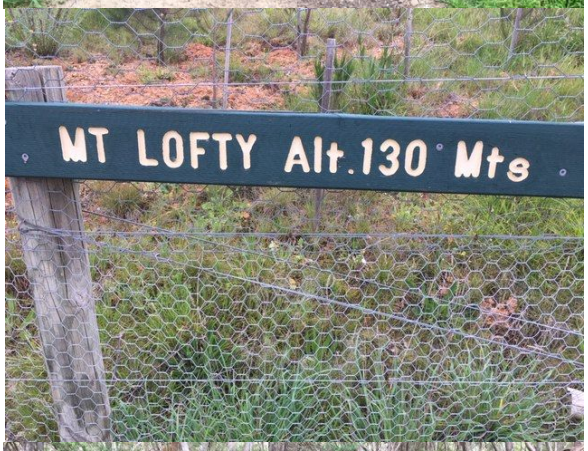
We'll cook snags and other good things. Bring a plate to share and BYO drinks.

DJ courtesy of Triple J's Hottest 100!

SCCC - 12noon onwards

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

This edition takes you to #7 Mt Lofty - Warrandyte State Park - Wonga Park



How to get there. (Melways 279 A6)

From Yarra Glen use McIntyre Lane, Coldstream-West Rd, Edward Rd, Paynes Rd to Homestead Rd, where you turn right into Reserve Rd (continuation of Homestead Rd) and travel north to end of road where there is good car park area with a canoe launching area too.

Walk distance approx. 5km and 1hr 15mins walking. Easy walking with good quality tracks.

Where to Start!

Start: Car Park, north of Wittons Reserve.
Good signage welcomes you to the Warrandyte State Park and a short walk along your access path takes you across a side creek with a quality bridge crossing. You are then on the lower walking track.

I chose to use the lower undulating walking track by the Yarra River for 2.5km as a nice warm up, before the 2km uphill to Mt Lofty. There are good views of the Yarra River and about 1km into the walk on the LHS are two bush teepees relatively close to the walking track (worth a look). At the junction with the uphill track take a look across the Yarra River to the Bend of Isles, Environmental Living Zone. This is a residential co-operative formed in 1971. The 22 homes are 'earthy' adobe (mud brick) with approx. 55 residents. It is a boundary-free area, with a no cats/dogs/cattle/horses policy.

The track uphill is a 4wd track with minimal vegetation thus allowing for extensive views across The Heritage Golf and Country Club and east to the Warramate Hills and further to Mt Donna Buang. Kangaroos are in abundance lazing about on the more open hillsides. After 1.5km there is a track intersection. Take the track to the right which continues to steadily climb skirting around the summit of Mt Lofty - now on your left - it then swings to the right and continues downhill to the lower track you started your adventure. Turn left and retrace your steps using the track across the creek on the bridge, to your car park.

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

Steels Creek Art Group

Malcolm Calder

2019 has been a good year for the Steels Creek Art Group. We have enjoyed our Thursday afternoon gatherings when we forget about the rest of the world and enjoy our art and friendship.

We were successful in getting a grant from the Yarra Ranges Council to hold some great workshops (thanks Anthea) and many of us entered local exhibitions including the Yarra Glen Art Show and the Mont de Lancey art show. In October we set up the Community Center as a working studio as part of the Yarra Ranges Open Studios weekend. As part of Open Studios we were involved with the group exhibition at Art At Linden Gate. Quite a busy year! We will finish our year on Thursday, 19 December and start the new year on Thursday, 9 January (NOTE:- no meetings on days of total fire ban). Visitors are welcome on any Thursday afternoon, and if you have any thoughts about doing some art come along and give it a go.

Local Art and Exhibitions

Ivan Filsell

I have been travelling in South Australia so have not caught up with much local art this month, however I did stumble on a stunning Salvador Dali exhibition at the D'Arenberg wineries famous Cube. The cube itself is a work of art and inside is an art gallery a bit reminiscent of MONA in Hobart.

In addition to this is an exhibition of Dali sculptures and graphics. Many of the sculptures are massif and decorate the surrounding grounds. Dali has long been a favourite of mine with his quirky, imaginative and some would say mad ideas that have shifted art to a new plane. His flexible time melting watches and his pictures that change as you move away into a different picture. Dali is a master of visual trickery which he uses to great effect in his art and films. His humour is also on display in the men's toilet where the urinals are giant grinning faces, very intimidating to use!!

Enjoy our art.

Steels Creek Garden Club

Jill Hess

It's time to prepare the garden and yourself for the heat ahead. Start by decorating for the festive season. Dress up the front door, or whole garden with potted plants such as gardenia, poinsettia or hydrangea in full bloom to set the scene for Christmas. Consider moving pots from full sun to cooler, part shade spots if plants are likely to suffer from the long hot period about to arrive. Keep potted plants moist and roots cool by standing them in saucers filled with sand. This prevents roots sitting in water, which can cause decay and encourage mosquitoes to breed, but still provides essential moisture. Wet the sand daily. If you are going away over the festive season, try to deeply water and mulch young trees, including street trees, before you leave. In hot stormy weather, check any swimming pools you may be using for funnel web spiders. They can survive under water for several days.

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

Streudel's Story *continued from Page 1.*

Streudel fell in a wombat hole down by the river on Wednesday 4th September.

The hole was very small to start with, but the ground gave up underneath Streudel because it was a wombat tunnel. Streudel struggled to get out of the hole but kept digging deeper. The hole was one and a half metres deep by 2 metres around. He fell on his right back leg which was underneath him and he couldn't move.

There are lots of wombat holes around Steels Creek! We were wondering if they might be mining holes from the time when miners worked around here, but we can often see that they are wombat holes. There is a small hole they go in from the creek side (although not too close because the wombats don't want the water going in) and they go a long way. And then sometimes the ground above the tunnel sinks. Obviously Streudel didn't see the wombat hole when he was having a lovely walk along the river under the oak trees. This is the first time this has happened in more than 30 years, so a frightening surprise.

When Joe found Streudel, he and Pepsi quickly thought of people to help. Immediately Stew Cuthbert came down with his shovel, then Matt Davis came with his excavator. Pepsi talked to the Council who suggested to ring SES, and the SES said to ring the Fire Brigade, and the local Vet. The Fire Brigade arrived first and then all the volunteers from the services came and everyone really, really, really, tried to help.

One of the helpers made everyone laugh a lot, when after standing in a dog's poo, he tried to clean his boot, and when he was standing on one foot, he accidentally stood in a cow paddy and then fell on his bum! It was not really very funny for the man, but it was nice to laugh when everyone was feeling sad.

The SES and the Fire Brigade, everyone tried to help, especially Ben the vet for so many hours, with a sling and trying to make Streudel comfortable with pain relief. And then everyone called for days afterwards checking to see how Streudel was feeling. He had many visitors and was hand fed silverbeet, lucerne and of course… apples.

After a few days, it was very sad to realise that Streudel had really hurt his back right leg, and he wasn't going to be able to walk again. It was very sad when Streudel died. But we know he didn't have to suffer anymore. He was very uncomfortable after lying on his leg. We saw the other cows wanted to protect Streudel when he was in the hole, they were very concerned about him, and when people were helping him, they watched from the hill. They would be sad too now.

It was sad for Joe to see Streudel struggling in the hole and trying to get better. And Pepsi will miss seeing him at their garden gate waiting for his apples. Joe and Pepsi are relieved that Streudel isn't in any pain anymore. And when they see a brown and white steer, they will always think of Streudel.

This is a story from Joe and Pepsi. Interviewed 23rd September, and put together on tue 24th Sept 2019 for The Jolly Thing by Henry Brand

Steels Creek BMX Bandits!

If you ever see a couple of kids riding their mountain bikes down Steels Creek Road or on the path, they are the Steels Creek BMX Bandits. We ride with each other every weekend together.

Who are we Maddie and Lachie Hanson who live at Araluen Boutique Accommodation, Henry Brand who lives at 916, and Grace Collard who lives just off Steels Creek Road.

We are not...

We are not like the original BMX Bandits in the movie. We are a smaller and cooler version of them.

PLEASE DO

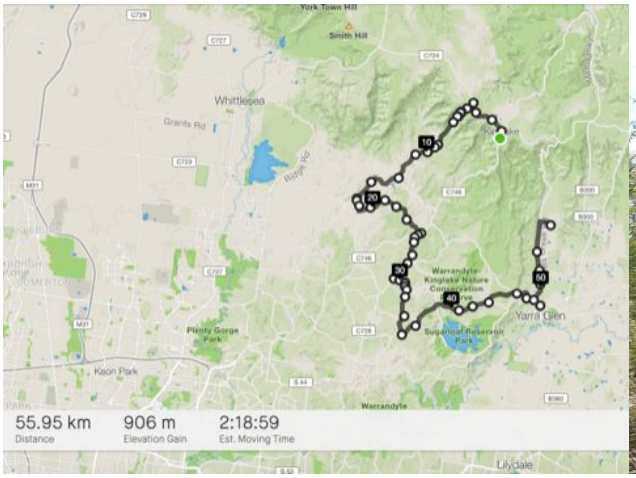
If you see us riding on the road, please slow down for everyone's safety.

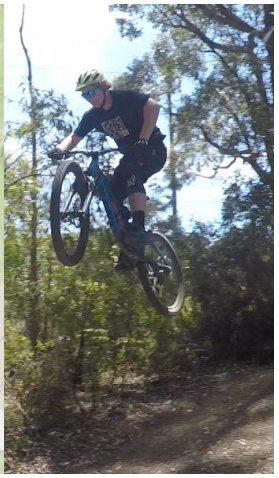
Thanks! The BMX Bandits

Star 45 Mountain Bike Trail - Kinglake to Steels Creek

For the keen and adventure hearted Mountain Bike riders, here is an epic trail for you this holidays. Starting in Kinglake, this trail took us through Smiths Gully via St Andrews. From there, we rode to Christmas Hills then onto Yarra Glen, finishing up home at Steels Creek.

Be sure to pack lots of water. If you'd like more details on the ride, give me a call on 0439 550 626 - Tom C.





We wish all the kids moving into the next phase of their academic lives, the very best. Be it Prep to Year 1, Year 6 into High-School, Middle School into Senior School and of course life beyond High School.

- ***Reach for the stars!***

How is the alphabet different on Christmas than any other day?

Answer page 12

Friends of the Flagon - SAVE THE DATE for the Valley's newest wine tasting event

Friends of the Flagon is the Yarra Valley's newest wine tasting event, celebrating the crop de la creme of the region, including some familiar names, others less so and many without cellar doors. Twenty-one of the region's most inspiring makers.. with a few from Steels Creek.

Hear about your favourite or discover a new drop from the makers themselves, while soaking up the sunshine and views. Dance, drink and eat the afternoon away with Melbourne's finest DJ's and locally sourced produce.

Featuring... Adams Evening, Arifon, Bobar, Blackwood Hill, Combes, Cre, Dappled, Denton, Ephemera, Fallow, Jamsheed, Jayden Ong, Mandala, Payten & Jones, Petronio, Proud Primary Produce, Rob Hall, St Ronans, Timo Mayer, Tim Ward & Yering Farm.

Steels Creek Stitchers

Jane Calder

Stitchers are planning on running a second Quilts for Orphans sewing day on Tuesday 21 January at the Steels Creek community centre 10am-4pm. Like last time pre-cut fabric will be provided but please bring your sewing machine, threads, scissors etc and your lunch plus $10 towards the cost of wadding, quilting etc. (that stage is done elsewhere, we just have the fun of sewing tops.) Further details; Denise 0410 540 407 or Jane 0428 279 577. We would like to wish Christine Tomlins a speedy recovery, and look forward to her return to the Stitchers Group.

SC4 Reel Film Club

Keith Montell

December - January screenings are on hiatus.
Due to delayed building works at the Steels Creek Community Centre Cinematic Complex, film nights will be on hold. 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 in March.

Saturday Morning Market

Fiona makes scones, Angie preserves, Elin brings eggs, Amanda makes cheese from her goat's milk and Jane always brings her garden produce… these are just a few. Not only are there are many delicious and tempting items for 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. What do you have to offer, come along on the 2nd and 4th Saturday.

Market dates: December 14, January 11 and 25 - 10am

Steels Creek Book Group Review

Julie Riddell

October - *Eleanor Oliphant Is Really Fine*
Gail Honeyman

A different style of book about a socially awkward young adult who experienced childhood trauma but makes a conscious decision to learn how to fit in to our adult world. This book generated a lively discussion with everyone having a lot to say, some very generously sharing their own experiences in relation to the story.

November - *Christine Falls* Benjamin Black

A crime mystery thriller by a Booker Prize-winning author more famously known as John Banville. In this book he introduces a pathologist who becomes absolutely determined to uncover why the official recording of a body at the morgue – his workplace- has been mysteriously falsified by a colleague. Our bookgroup enjoyed great service at Yarra Valley Restaurant and Courtyard for end of year dinner whilst discussing 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.

Steels Creek Tennis Club

Ed Bartosh

Mark Newell will be awarded the Volunteer Award for his work with the SCTC and community, presented by Tony Smith MP. He has worked tirelessly to run events which get locals involved in the Steels Creek Tennis Club, especially family and social events. You are invited to come along and show your support for Mark on Saturday morning, Saturday, 14 December 9:30-11am Chirnside Park Country Club.

Christmas Carols: Christmas Carols at the Tennis Club Sunday evening, **15 December** (like it use to be - low key and fun). Bring your food and drink, candles and singing voice (if you can find one). Community sing-a-long. 5pm

Family Nights at the Tennis Club: Family nights are on again. Put it on your calendar. The next is **Friday, 31 January** (no December event) with coaching for the kids and BBQ tea from 5:30 BYO drinks. The November event was very well attended; glad to see some new Steels Creekers there as well. Hope to see YOU there! Plan for a Pizza Night on **Saturday 2 March** as well. More details on our Facebook Page.

Annual General Meeting: The Steels Creek Tennis and Social Club, Inc. held its AGM on Thursday, 11th October. Congratulations to Mark Newell, President; Graham Rothwell, VP; Graham Lloyd, Secretary and Ed Bartosh, Treasurer. We are all working to keep your community club strong and viable for Steels Creek.

Open Day: We will have an Open Day, with a BBQ lunch at midday, open tennis with prizes and give-aways for the kids, as well as a good social time for all. **Sunday, 2 February** is the date. Hope to see you there. Open to all; membership is not a requirement for the open day.

Membership: The membership year runs from July through June the following year. Please consider renewing your membership or joining for the new year. Fees are the most reasonable around - we just want the Club to remain viable and a treasured community asset. Membership forms are on the web site and FB page.

Social Tennis: The Sunday social tennis has been a bit hit or miss (attendance, not the tennis), but it is an enjoyable time.No pressure. Come from 2pm on Sunday afternoons for a bit of a hit, then a social afterwards. Bring what you'd like to drink and perhaps a plate to share. Thursday evenings has dropped by the wayside, unless one of you members would like to grab the bull by the horns and get it going again. Contact Graham Lloyd at 0430 243 442 to check on the Sunday tennis.

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/ Facebook: www.facebook.com/SteelsCreekTennisClub

16 December 2019 - Fire Danger Period Starts

During the CFA Declared Fire Danger Period, property owners can apply to the Municipal Fire Prevention Officer for a permit to burn, for fire hazard reduction purposes only. Applications will only be considered where there are extenuating circumstances and the material is presenting a significant fire risk and where there is no alternative. In other words, get yourself a permit if you need to burn off!

Now is a good time to: Review your fire plan, clean out your gutters, add the CFA Vic Emergency app to your device and join the Yarra Glen CFA Facebook Page.

The Weather Report by Barry Sheffield

Our rainfall for October was 38 mm below average and was half of the average for what is traditionally the wettest month of the year. This was consistent with all of the rainfall reporting stations in the Melbourne area also being below average. Fortunately November was quite different being 21 mm above average with that being reflected in other stations east of Melbourne but with the majority in the Melbourne area being about average. There was a high river event of 3.5 metres on the 12th. Temperature wise the mean maximum for October was 1.4° above for Coldstream and 1.6° above for Melbourne. Minimum temperatures for October were right on average for Coldstream and 1.1 above for Melbourne. November mean maximum temperatures were 0.9° below average for Coldstream and 0.2° below for Melbourne. Minimum temperatures for November were 0.7° below average for Coldstream and right on average for Melbourne. For Spring our rainfall was 10 mm below average with all of the Melbourne stations being also below except for Coldstream which was 32 mm above average. Spring mean maximum temperatures for Coldstream were 0.2° above average with Melbourne Airport 1.1° above. Mean Spring minimum temperatures for Coldstream were 0.3° below average with Melbourne Airport 0.5° below average

RAINFALL – October - November 2019

Station	October 2019 (mm)	November 2019 (mm)	Year to end of November 2019 (mm)	Year to end of November 2018 (mm)
'Blackwood Hill' **Pinnacle Lane Steels Creek**	36.9	83.9	623.78	579.3
'Highlea' **Dixons Creek**	45	85.4	677.6	651.6
Melbourne Water **Melba Hwy, *Dixons Creek***	41	85	607	547
'Wandearah' **Japonica Drive Yarra Glen**	38.8	89.3	610.8	558.7

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

December 2019						
Sun	**Mon**	**Tues**	**Wed**	**Thurs**	**Fri**	**Sat**
1 Sunday Tennis	**2 R** Women's Group	**3** Stitchers	**4**	**5** Art	**6**	**7**
8 Sunday Tennis	**9**	**10** Stitchers Garden Club	**11**	**12** Art	**13**	**14** Market
15 SCTC Carols Sunday Tennis	**16R**	**17** Stitchers Book Group	**18**	**19** Art	**20**	**21** Yarra Glen Carols
22 Sunday Tennis	**23** Growing group	**24**	**25** Christmas Day	**26** Boxing Day	**27**	**28**
29 Sunday Tennis	**30 R**	**31** New Year's Eve				

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.

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 Maree Rothwell 0414 278 649
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.

January 2020						
Sun	**Mon**	**Tues**	**Wed**	**Thurs**	**Fri**	**Sat**
			1 New Years Day	**2** Art Social Tennis	**3**	**4**
5 Sunday Tennis	**6 R** Women's Group	**7**	**8**	**9** Art Social Tennis	**10**	**11** Market
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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 Wednesday, 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).

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

*Jolly JNRs Joke Answer: There is NOEL

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.
Go to www.steelscreek.vic.au/publications/the-steels-creek-grapevine/ to sign up.

We'd love to hear from you

The Jolly Thing is a newsletter that captures the spirit of Steels Creeks community, it's got a long history of collecting and sharing every facet of what goes on in the valley.

Entertaining stories are always welcomed whether true or fictional as are **photos** of the area (preferably, together with a story) or to be used if they happen to suit the articles submitted.

Local groups' submissions are the backbone of The Jolly Thing and are very welcome.

Personal stories must be submitted by the person involved.

Promotion material will be considered for local businesses if there is value to the community.

Please email all pieces to scjollything@gmail.com
Thank you

The Jolly Thing Delivery

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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. www.steelscreek.vic.au

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DEADLINE for the next *Jolly Thing* is 27 January 2020

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