

The GRETA BUNYIP

"YOUR GRETA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER"

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CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

Dec

Sat 16th Craft Day, Greta Hansonville Hall,
10.00 am -3.00 pm

Thur 21st Greta Valley P.S. Concert
Molyullah Hall 7.00pm

Jan

Fri 19th Bat Talk and Walk 15 Mile Creek
Camp- contact Landcare for details.

Sat 20th Craft Day, Greta Hansonville Hall,
10.00 am -3.00 pm

Fri 26th Australia Day event, Greta
Hansonville Hall, 10.00am

Feb

Sat 17th Craft Day, Greta Hansonville Hall,
10.00 am -3.00 pm

Sat 24th Australian Son, the story of Ned
Kelly. Greta Hansonville Hall 10.30am

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The Greta Football Netball Club
require canteen managers for their home
games for the 2018 season.
Please contact Kevin Naish **0418 573 125**

2018 AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT

A small sub-committee of the Hall Committee organises the Greta Australia Day event each year. This year a display of local historical memorabilia, heritage items of interest, old community or family photos and artifacts is planned. If you can help by lending such items and / or becoming a part of the working group, you are warmly welcomed.

Contact David on 57 276 355 or Kris on 57 666 417
See flyer attached for details of the day.



The Greta Football Netball Club AGM was held on Tuesday 14 November 2017 and was well attended by Club Members.

The 2018 Greta FNC Committee is as follows:

President:	Kevin Naish
Senior Vice President:	Gary Hogan
Junior Vice President:	Mick Reidy
Secretary:	Gigi Costenaro
Treasurer:	Darren Ross

General Committee Members:

Andy Wheelens
David Wilson
Greg Brown
Jarrod Franklin
John McCarthy
Lindsey Humphries
Sean Ginnivan

Pre-season training has commenced, as well as preparation for the 2018 season.

The Greta Football Netball Club would like to extend to you all, **Best Wishes for the Festive Season and a Happy & Safe New Year.**

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**GRETA VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**THURSDAY 21ST DECEMBER
7.00PM**

**MOLYULLAH HALL
115 CENTRE RD MOLYULLAH**



THERE ARE NO LIMITS FOR THOSE WHO TRY

WHATS HAPPENING AT GRETA VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

This term has seen Greta Valley Primary School go on a whole school 4 day camp to Portsea. There was lots of sightseeing but also plenty of educational pursuits too. Queenscliff Marine Discovery Centre, swimming with seals, Cheviot Beach, Nepean National Park, the Quarantine Station, Point Nepean Fort and rock pooling were highlights.

We have also welcomed 6 new 2018 Prep students to our transition days. They are all settling in well and looking forward to starting school next year.



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2018 dates

SATURDAY 10am-3pm

20 January 21 April

17 February 19 May

17 March 16 June

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WEDDING CELEBRATION IN HANSONVILLE

Cristina Perra and Keiron Dare tied the knot on Saturday, 11 November 2017 at their property on School Road Hansonville. The happy couple were thrilled to be surrounded by family, friends and loved ones. Guests travelled from various locations to attend the celebration – Melbourne, Cobram, Canberra, Wodonga, Goulburn, and Sydney (to name a few) – with two special friends making the trip all the way from the United Kingdom.

The old Hansonville Primary School site was the perfect location with many hours and days spent planning, building and gardening to get the venue ready for the special day. The weather was also kind with perfect sunshine and just a light sprinkle of rain before the event commenced.

Cristina and Keiron's neighbours, Jen and James Pollard transported the bride via their wonderfully decorated cart pulled by Dacca - pony extraordinaire! Accompanying her on the cart was Hunter Pollard and Cristina's niece and two nephews.

Cristina wore a long, ivory gown made by her friend (Leanne O'Toole from Wodonga) with light chiffon sleeves and waistband of white lace (the latter taken from the mother-of-the-bride's own wedding dress) and beaded with pearls and crystals. The waistband was definitely the main feature of the dress, as well as a wonderful connection to Cristina's mother. Keiron looked dashing in a blue suit, complete with ivory shirt, patterned tie and blue textured waistcoat.

After a short ceremony and photographs, the happy couple mingled with guests as they enjoyed catering supplied by the Perra family, Cross Country Pizza, and Kelley Adamo from Flown the Coop and the highlight being dessert provided by Piggy's Ice-cream Van. Guests danced into the night with music provided by DJ Nige.

Cristina and Keiron are planning to travel oversea sometime next year for their honeymoon, and will continue to make their home in Hansonville.



We would love more local human interest stories. Please forward them, with the permission of the subject, to

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Greta Valley Landcare Group December News



Upcoming Events

Greta Valley Landcare Group turned 25 this year! What a milestone. Landcare began in Victoria in 1986, so this makes us one of the early groups to get going in North East Victoria. Thank you to all our members who helped us celebrate the Group's birthday recently and attended our annual Christmas party. Two of our early Committee members, David Griffiths and David Evans, helped to cut the cake. Thank you to the Moyhu Lions Club for their delicious catering and to the Intensity Dance Academy for the dancing! A Landcare group simply cannot keep running for 25 years without a dedicated group of volunteers and we thank both past and present Committee members for all their efforts towards conservation and agricultural productivity across our beautiful Greta valley.

Bat Talk and Walk – 19th January

Did you know that scattered paddock trees in farmland are used extensively by bats as foraging habitat? Helen Waudby from the Office of Environment and Heritage NSW will present a talk on microbats, followed by a guided walk through the 15 Mile Creek camp grounds to explore the natural habitats of possums, gliders, bats and owls that inhabit this area. To be held at the 15 Mile Creek Camp, 692 Benalla-Whitfield Road, Myrree. More details to follow.

Protecting our paddock trees – \$36 000 in new grant funding

Paddock trees - those isolated, big, old, trees that are scattered across the landscape. They are irreplaceable, hundreds of years old and part of our heritage. We are about to embark on our second round of protecting scattered paddock trees in our landscape and are calling for Expressions of Interest to have your site included in our project. Works will include fencing around old remnant trees and providing native tube stock to establish understory shrubs. We also have more funding to plant new paddock trees and supply more large wire tree guards to continue the great work we have been doing the past two years.

Large old paddock trees play an essential role for biodiversity and for shade and shelter and we are losing them in our catchment. Please help us to protect the beautiful old trees in our landscape and get in touch to

have your site inspected early in 2018. In February, we will be running a field tour of paddock trees fenced during 2016 & 2017 and we welcome those with an interest in finding out more about this project to attend.

Do you need some technical advice on how to manage your waterway, fix an erosion site or identify plants on your property?

Our Project Officer (Sally) has over 10 years experience in waterway management in North East Vic. She can help provide guidance on managing your waterway, controlling invasive plants, addressing erosion, plant identification, developing a farm plan and lots more!

The Group is offering Sally's services on a cost recovery basis (which means at no profit to the group). **Please ring Sally on 0437 136 162 or Anthony Griffiths (Treasurer) on 0429 950 712 if you would like to find out more.**

Are you interested in finding out more about alternative fox control options?

Several other Landcare Groups in NE Victoria have been trialling the use of CPE (Canid Pest Ejectors) for fox and wild dog control. A CPE is a spring triggered device which is set to fire a liquid dose of 1080 contained in a capsule into the mouth of the pests that pull hard and upwards at a bait lure. Off target poisoning is very low and kill rates are generally high. If anyone is interested in learning more about this technique, please get in touch and we will investigate some sharing of information and/or devices between groups.

Equipment Hire

Don't forget that the group has a wide range of equipment available for hire and free loan to our members. Our 100L spray tank is great for spot spraying jobs like thistles (\$22/day) and the spray trailer with twin hoses will make easy work of blackberry patches (\$44/day). Please contact Trevor Dinning our Equipment Officer with your enquiries on 5727 6118.

Fire Danger Period – Kicks off on 20th November

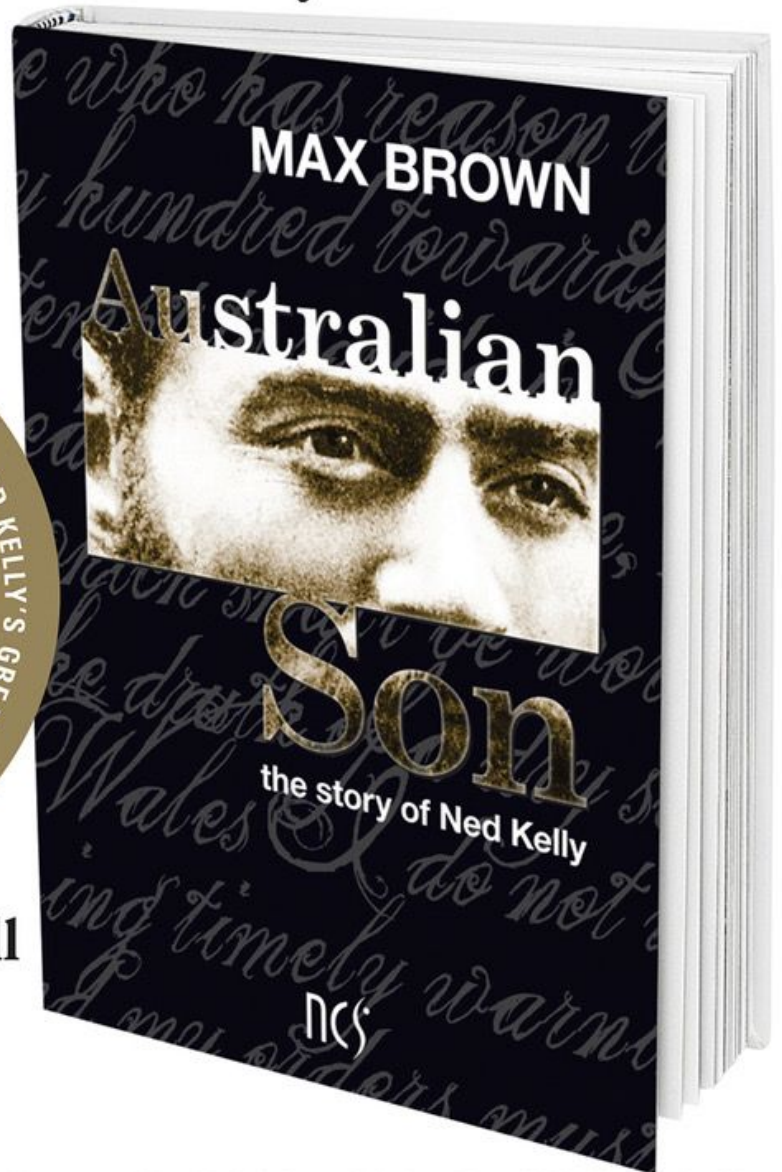
The fire danger period has been declared from 20/11/17 to 1/5/2018 meaning that fire restrictions come into force. This means you cannot light a fire in the open air unless you have a permit or comply with certain requirements. More information can be found on the CFA website at www.cfa.vic.gov.au

Further Information

For further information or to get involved in any of the events or projects listed above, please contact Sally Day (Project Officer) on 0437 136 162 or sally.day@gretalandcare.org.au

Australian Son the story of Ned Kelly 70th Anniversary Event

Saturday
24th February 2018
from 10:30am



Greta Hansonville Hall
448 Reserve Road
Hansonville
Victoria 3675

On **Saturday 24 February** at the **Greta Hansonville Hall** join publisher Brad Webb and editor Chester Eagle as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of Max Brown's definitive story on the legend of Ned Kelly *Australian Son*. Starting at 10.30am the event will include discussions on Max and his writing, the evolution of *Australian Son*, the development of Max's final revised edition, selected readings from Max's work, along with a few extra surprises on the day. Join us after the talk for a **BBQ lunch** and a chance to buy an *Australian Son* hardcover signed by the editor. Entry to the event is **\$15 per person** and includes morning tea. All proceeds go to the Greta Hansonville Hall. Please note, due to venue size seats are **strictly limited**. Please contact Noeleen Lloyd at noeleenlloyd@gmail.com or on **0427 276 372** to book your ticket. For further information visit www.IronOutlaw.com/events