

June 2019

Edition 202



Soup being served by Laharum Primary School senior students at our 14th Biggest Morning Tea on May 23

There's been plenty of tractor work since the rains began! Let's hope rain has helped growth of crops and minimise the feeding of stock.

I'm pleased to receive successful notification of \$1,550 from Horsham Rural City Council Community Development Grant towards the printing of this Newsletter.

Liz Hopkins

'Casting the yet to come'

**An exhibition for Art Is..... Festival
May 31 until June 30**

Marian Anderson & Gill Venn use their unique style to interpret 'moulding our future'.

An exhibition of yarns and paper and paper and ink located at Redrock Books & Gallery, 65 Firebrace Street.

OLIVE HARVEST OPEN DAY

Wood fired pizza, wine, harvest
and pressing demonstration

Sunday June 9 from 12.30pm

Grampians Olive Co

376 Olive Plantation Road, Laharum

Tickets: Adults \$30, Teenagers \$15, kids free

Includes all you can eat wood fired pizza
and your first drink

Bookings at info@grampiansoliveco.com.au or
call 5383 8299



NURSE ON CALL 1300 606 024



Ava Knight, Selena Winfield & Sam Sudholz Laharum PS senior students having helped at Laharum's Biggest Morning Tea

Mobile Library



Laharum will be visited by the Mobile Library on **Thursdays June 6, 20, July 4, 18, August 1, 15** from 9.30am in front of Laharum Primary School.

Greg Maybery



Laharum Community Reflection and Discussion on Emergency Management

- To get better insight of relief and recovery program in past disasters
- For better preparedness for emergencies - storm, wildfire, flood - in future and to find the ways to engage community in future emergency plans & sub-plans drafting and reviews
- To build/maintain trust between community and Local Government Agencies

Laharum Hall

Sunday June 23, 9-11am

Brunch provided

Everyone in the community is invited

Supported by CFA

For catering purposes please contact

Liz Hopkins on 5383 8207 or 0427 838207
by Thursday June 20 if you are able to attend

Brimpaen Craft Club



Tuesday July 2, 10am-3pm Knit and Knatter at The Wander Inn – bring your own craft.

Tuesday August 6, 10am-3pm. TBA or bring your own craft.

Jill Sinclair

Laharum-Wartook Produce & Vegetable swap

WINTER 2019 every second Sunday at 10am sharp



9th June (Queens Birthday long weekend)

Alison White & John Fisher

75 Snells Rd, Wartook

14th July Bruce McInnes

Tatlock's Bridge Brimpaen/Laharum Rd

11th August Grampians Olive Co

376 Olive Plantation Rd Laharum

For further information contact
Wendy McInnes 53 836220



Brimpaen Ladies Social Club



Next meeting on **Tuesday June 25**, Brimpaen Hall at 2pm. To discuss wind up of our club and how we will celebrate our final meeting - our 60th birthday!

Tuesday July 30 – 60th Birthday

Celebrations and final meeting. Contact me on 5383 7505

Ann Dyer



Some produce sold at Laharum's Biggest Morning Tea on May 23

Wonwondah Landcare Group



LANDCARE

There has been no meeting to report on as everybody is busy cropping. However, there has been some snail baiting happening in affected areas and an expanded program will occur soon.

Also some very active rabbit warrens are being ripped to try and keep them under control. Please contact me on 5383 7518 for any new areas which require treatment.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday July 9** at Guest's dairy, 7.30pm. All welcome.

Chris Guest

Local Vocals

Laharum Hall

Leader - Merryn Eagle



Thursday July 18, 7.30pm

Singing is for everybody who has a voice!
Singing together contributes to our wellbeing,
social inclusion and connection

Come join us for a happy and relaxing singing evening

Enjoy the friendship - it's heaps of fun!
We love to see new faces - Minimal charge
Singing ability definitely not necessary

North West Grampians Branch of Horsham Lions Club



The Green Lake Driver Reviver Kiosk was very busy over Easter long weekend serving over 500 passing travellers with free tea and coffee. Many volunteers generously donated their time to staff the kiosk and welcome visitors to the area.

The Kiosk will be open again on the following dates during school holidays and the Queen's Birthday long weekend - **June 8, 9, 10, 29, 30 & July 6, 7, 13, 14.**

If anyone has a spare few hours and would like to help, please do contact the kiosk manager Libby Peucker on 5382 5221.

Our branch meetings are held at Laharum Hall on the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm start and new members or visitors are always welcome. We always share a meal or nibbles and have a fun evening.

Please telephone president Keith Fischer on 0417 691000 to confirm the date/time.

Beth McGenniken, Secretary

**ALWAYS DIAL TRIPLE ZERO
TO REPORT FIRE**

Laharum Hall Committee



Laharum Hall Committee has been successful in gaining a grant for new blinds in the main hall area, replacing very old bamboo blinds. Thanks to Robyn Creek and staff for installing them.

Thanks to Gil for raking and burning the leaves at the rear of the hall. The voluntary efforts in our community are fantastic as was seen at the Biggest Morning Tea recently.

The book 'Lah Arum told by the people of Lah Arum and district' printed 1987 is available for \$10. Please ring on 5383 6265 if you're interested in purchasing one.

Judy Berendsen, Secretary

Laharum Football Netball Club



Things are progressing well down at Cameron Oval. It's certainly been nice to receive some welcome rain, which is not only great for all our local farmers, but great for all the surrounds down at the oval. The place is really looking a treat, thanks to some very hard working people around the club.

We have had some mixed results on the field and the court. A Grade girls are flying, winning all 7 games so far. B Grade is trying their hearts out with only a couple of wins, and losing by the narrowest of margins on Saturday against Edenhope. C Grade and C Reserve have only lost 2 games each.

The junior girls are all going well, despite some tough opposition, and it's great to see good numbers from the Net Set Go, to the U17's. We have to be so thankful to have great coaches who volunteer their time to help this great club out.

Senior footy is going ok with some very unfortunate injuries - some long term, some short term, but just seems that we just can't get everyone on the park at once. I guess that is just sport, but credit to all the boys, they just try their guts out every week! We certainly haven't been disgraced.

Junior footy is going well. U17's have lost just a couple, while the U14's had their first win for the year last Saturday and it was great to see plenty of smiles on the young champs faces.

It's great to see around 32 Auskickers at training on a Thursday night. I'm sure if we can keep these families around the club, it will be a headache for the junior coaches in the years to come!

We have been blessed this year with receiving some minor grants. \$10k was received for the resurfacing of the netball/tennis courts; a new bain-marie; some new footy helmets for the little tackers, and some goal post pads, just to name a few. Thanks to the hard work of some very dedicated people with the club in their best interest.

We have had some ripper dinners on Thursday and Saturday nights and we warmly welcome all the locals to come down, enjoy some good company and a great, well-priced feed!

Tim Nagorcka, Chairman 0412 784365



Batteries

Used vehicle batteries can be left at Pam & Des Geue's property at 1922 Northern Grampians Road which helps raise funds for Laharum Hall

Laharum Rural CFA



Since the last newsletter, Laharum Fire Brigade has had two call-outs. One to a shed fire supporting Brimpaen and another to a false alarm of a column of smoke from a private burn off.

During April saw the end of the fire danger period and I'd like to thank all property owners for following permit guidelines when burning off. As far as I know, we had no breaches within the Laharum Brigade. Fire prevention is an all-year-around job. So I'm encouraging all property owners to start clearing up and burning those piles/bonfires of materials that's gathered up over the summer months, when it's safe to do so. If you could please register your burn offs by ringing the Burn Off Notification Line 1800 668511. This will hopefully prevent any unnecessary call-out which are called in by tourists passing through the area seeing any smoke.

Now we've reached the cooler months, fire safety now turns to inside the house. With daylight savings finished, I hope everyone has replaced the batteries in your smoke alarms with new ones. Also if you haven't done it in a while, please get the flu cleaned on your wood heater to prevent any chimney fires.

I'd like to welcome eight members who have recently signed up to join Laharum Fire Brigade. Once they have completed the Minimum Skills Course throughout June, they'll then be operational members and can help with responding to fires and assisting in burn-offs etc.

As I've mentioned in previous newsletters, the brigade is continuing with purchasing a new Tanker 2. By now you should have received a letter in the mail providing further information on the brigade's intentions, donation details and instructions on how to do so. The brigade sincerely thanks you for your contribution towards this project. If you haven't received a letter, please contact me and will make sure you get one.

If you have any fire brigade queries, please feel free to contact me on 0428 838242.

Some Laharum brigade members 'rattled tins' at MacKenzie Falls on Good Friday for the Appeal and they collected \$699.60. Thank you to those you who supported it.

Luke Dumesny, Captain



CFA PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

CFA's Wellbeing Department provides support to CFA people and their families. This covers a wide spectrum of accidents and incidents. One-on-one or brigade support can be provided.

Peer support can be obtained from - **Max Maher**, District 17 Peer Coordinator 0427 596272; 5382 2851; **Maggie Bridgewater**, District 17 Deputy Coordinator 0427 891370; **State Wellbeing Support Line** 1800 959232; **Chaplaincy Program** 1800 337668; **Simon Risson**, Local Chaplain 0417 376312 and **Jenny Taylor** 5359 6231.

Judy Berendsen

CFA District 17



The following letter was received from GWMWater regarding Bridge Load Limits

Change to Bridge Load Limit and Conditions Arnotts and Old Wartook Road, Bungally; Replacement of Bridge over Wimmera Inlet Channel on Tramline Road

Due to delays in the design of a new bridge at Arnotts and Old Wartook Road, Bungally, GWMWater has sought advice from Tonkin Consulting to enable local traffic to use the bridge.

GWMWater and Horsham Rural City Council advise that the load limit and conditions below now apply:

- A 12 tonne limit over a single axle – **where axles are at least 3.1m apart**
- 20km/hour speed
- Single lane traffic

The design of the new bridge is nearing completion, however at this stage GWMWater does not have an indicative date for construction. We will take the water transfer period and grain harvest season into account for our planning and will keep you informed as the project progresses.

We suggest the alternative routes when travelling in vehicles which exceed the bridge's threshold –

- Northern Grampians Road
- Green Lake Road

GWMWater will monitor the bridge's condition and we will advise landholders of any future changes to the bridge's capacity.

Smoke Alarm

Only working smoke alarms save lives!

Are you sick of hearing the sound of a nagging smoke alarm? Change your old smoke alarms to a new unit with a lithium battery that has a 10 year lifespan!

New smoke alarms which have a 10 year lifespan ensure families can feel the highest level of security. Working smoke alarms are your best defence against preventable residential fires, especially during the night when people lose their sense of smell. These new alarms provide the security of knowing you and your family are protected, while also ensuring you're not interrupted every year with a nagging smoke alarm.

Why should I have a smoke alarm?

When you're asleep, you lose your sense of smell. A smoke alarm is your electronic nose. It will alert you if there is smoke from a fire. A small fire can grow to involve an entire room in just 2-3 minutes. A smoke alarm provides early warning and time to escape.

Jo Gellatly, Brigade Administration Support Officer

If you fail to register your burn your local brigade may be called.

Burn Off Notification Line
1800 668 511



Before you
light up





On Thursday May 23 our community hosted their 14th Biggest Morning Tea at Laharum Hall with nearly 60 attending. It was another very successful Cancer Council fundraising event.

A delicious lunch of soup and roll, mixed sandwiches, fresh fruit and slices were served and we were very pleased to have the help of three Grade 6 students from Laharum Primary School. We presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation for their hard work.

Our guest speaker this year was Tony Tuohey, Director of Primary & Community Care, Wimmera Health Care Group and he spoke of his work with aged care. Everyone joined in with our Local Vocal Group to sing Que Sera Sera with Denise McGenniken on piano.

After drawing the raffle, we had our stall which was stocked with colour! - fresh fruit & vegetables, herbs, jams, relishes, home cooking, flowers, hats, cards, etc.

We raised a total of \$1,941 – a fantastic result! Our entrance and raffle money of \$1,267 has gone to Cancer Council for their research, prevention, early detection and support services and our stall money of \$674 to our new cancer centre for ongoing patient care improvement.

It's terrific how everyone turns up to our event each year and it's always good to welcome new faces. Thank you to so many who have helped and supported this event in so many ways over so many years. Over 14 years our community has raised a total of \$24,124 – a pretty fantastic community effort!

Thank you also to Horsham East Rotary Club for their sponsorship of \$250 and to Woolworths for their voucher of \$50 towards ingredients for our lunch - a wonderful support!

Our money raised can make an impact with the following example options –

\$250 contributes towards our nurses being available to answer any question about cancer and provide support via 13 11 20 so no-one has to face cancer alone.

\$500 can translate important cancer screening messages into three different languages – helping to detect cancer early and increase chances of survival.

\$1,000 can help equip a research team working in a laboratory on a new cancer treatment to find better, less harsh treatments for those who are diagnosed.

We thoroughly enjoyed using our fabulous new spacious 'fresh' kitchen for the first time for this event and many attending were very impressed when they had a look over it! See photos pages 1 & 2.

Liz Hopkins

Yoga at Laharum Hall



Yoga will be in recess until later in the year.
Judy Berendsen



Busy time for the Wimmera District - Since our last update, Forest Fire Management have had an extremely busy six months. From January 23 the Wimmera District was busy sending 'Task Forces' (arduous firefighters and vehicles) across the State to Gippsland to help with the firefighting efforts. Gippsland had numerous fires over summer, for example on the March 5 there were 37 fires active in the area. Our district provided 14 task forces and each trip lasted for 7 days. They were involved in everything from protecting community assets to back burning and hazardous tree works in steep and mountainous areas.

The team of firefighters spent many weeks away from their homes and families and we thank them greatly for all their hard work. We also assisted with sending resources to the various incident management teams (based in the incident control centre managing the fires) in Erica, Traralgon, Dandenong and Heyfield. This work continued until the end of March.

In the first week of April our Emergency response moved over to the State-wide planned burn program with crews assisting in the Midlands (Ballarat area), Otway, Far South West and Bairnsdale in Gippsland. At that stage the Wimmera District had received little to no rain, so it was too dry for burning. This all changed within a week and we moved into perfect autumn weather, which opened up a number of opportunities to conduct burns that have been in the planning for the last 3-4 years.

The priority of the burn program is to reduce fire risk to communities and we were able to complete crucial burns in Harrow, Apsley, Pomonal, Grampians National Park – Boronia, Mt William, Serra Range area, and continue the ongoing Little Desert National Park strategy.

FFMVIC would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who lives locally for your ongoing support and patience this year. We try to keep traffic disruption, park closures and smoke impacts to a minimum but are well aware it is never ideal.

More information can be found on the website

<https://www.ffm.vic.gov.au/bushfire-fuel-andrisk-management/fire-operation-plans> or if you have any feedback please contact Danielle on 5362 0720 or danielle.leehane@delwp.vic.gov.au

Danielle Leehane, Community Partnership Officer

Wonwondah News



Wonwondah Sit & Sew

Next session will be **Friday June 21**, 9.30am–3pm at Wonwondah Hall. BYO lunch and sewing supplies. Tea, coffee and afternoon tea provided. Gold coin donation please. All newcomers welcome. Bring a friend or come alone and make new friends. Contact me on 0438 304948 for more details.

Sue Ahern

Jenny Ervin is the Booking Officer for Wonwondah Hall. She can be contacted on 5384 6202 or 0409 175012.

Kylie Zelle

Laharum Landcare Group



We are applying for funding for pest plant and animal control. Part of this will be meeting with landholders to work out plans for their properties, and then for the actual control process. This can include noxious weed and/or rabbit and feral cat control. We are also applying for indigenous plant protection and revegetation opportunities. If you are interested in any of these, please contact wendy.mcinnnes@hrcc.vic.gov.au, 5383 6220 or me at giliz@activ8.net.au 0490 830769.

With the rain, our winter/spring noxious weeds will be growing well. They should be sprayed when in bud or early flower for best kill. This includes Cape Tulip and Bridal Creeper. Paterson's Curse could also be treated as it can set seed early, but close grazing can reduce it. Horehound can be treated most of the year so you can do this with the others.

The soil is also damp enough to pull or cut Sallow Wattle to prevent its spread. Don't let it flower and seed! Then thistles and other weeds will be targeted in spring and St John's wort later in early flowering. Agriculture Victoria is reminding landholders that it is a requirement for landholders to control noxious plants and animals, so Laharum Landcare Group is set up to help. Please contact us early so we can plan ahead.

We also plan to buy and release more Calicivirus to control rabbits at an appropriate time.

Heartland Horsham has been a great success with meals, accommodation, planting day and evening event involving migrants and community members who haven't previously participated. Well done to Wendy McInnes and the other organisers!

Laharum Landcare will be planting trees with Laharum Primary School on **Tuesday June 18** and with Haven School on **Thursday June 27**.

Our next meeting will include a shared casserole tea starting at 7pm on **Tuesday July 16** at Laharum Hall. Future meetings will be at 7.30pm **Tuesdays September 10** and then **November 12** with our AGM. **Gil Hopkins**, Vice President



The Grampians National Park will be working on a new management plan this year. There will be opportunities for community input through meetings and responses to surveys.

Present local advisory group members can be contacted and include –

Ray Zippel zippelr@wcma.vic.gov.au,
Don Carter donald@laharumbulk.com.au
Gil Hopkins giliz@activ8.net.au and
Rhonda McNeil, Area Chief Ranger Grampians.
Rhonda.McNeil@parks.vic.gov.au.

The Grampians Peaks Trail is still being worked on and expected to be finished by the end of the year, providing new and improved walking tracks in our area.

The editor reserves the right to reduce the size of articles so the Newsletter fits 12 pages. Opinions expressed in any articles are not necessarily those of the editor. Please contact the author of the article for further discussion.

Horsham Rural City Landcare Facilitator



Congratulations on the recent Volunteer Landcare Awards sponsored by Wimmera Catchment Management Authority. The Junior Landcarer went to Mirinda Thorpe, John Pye Project Platypus for the individual Landcarer and Horsham Urban Landcare Group received the Group Award. This group continues to educate locals about all sorts of sustainable and self-sufficiency techniques and most recently a wonderful cheese-making session. Thank you Steff Arnts for running the class.

It was a pleasure to have Katie Howard present at Stawell Community Centre to celebrate World Turtle Day on May 23 as a scientist within the threatened species group at the Arthur Rylah Institute (DELWP). Her main focus relates to assessing the response of turtles to drought and flood. We all found the information incredibly interesting, especially using an easily adopted measure such as 1080 to halt fox predation during the nesting season. Katie also visited Laharum Primary School and educated our local students.

Last weekend the first Heartland Horsham weekend proved to be a resounding success, made even more wonderful by the generous caring host families who opened their homes to our Melbourne visitors. Beautiful sunshine made for an enjoyable Saturday of planting trees along the Wimmera River. 220 people feasted on Lentil As Anything's curries and enjoyed entertainment and dancing by Oasis Wimmera and the Karen community group.

Horsham Urban Landcare is bringing the new film **2040** to Horsham Cinema on **Tuesday June 18**. There will be a schools session at 1pm and an evening screening at 6.30pm with nibbles & hot drinks afterwards. Students with student card \$5 and adults for either screening \$12. The film combines a mixture of playful, kid-friendly animation, funny and heart-warming interviews with kids about their hopes for and visions of the future, and more serious and technical interviews with scientists, researchers and environmental experts. Runs 92 minutes.

Laharum Landcare Group next meeting will be a shared casserole night on **Tuesday July 16**, 7pm at Laharum Hall.

Wendy McInnes, Landcare Facilitator



Grampians Ag News

Fox bounty continues - The Victorian Government's fox bounty continues until October. Eligible participants can submit entire fox scalps for a \$10 reward during scheduled collection times. Agriculture Victoria Biosecurity Officers will be in designated collection centres (for fox only) and in Horsham on **Thursday June 13**, 1.30–3.30pm at 180 Horsham–Noradjuha Road.

For full details on bounty collection times and locations, terms and conditions, and frequently asked questions, visit - <http://agriculture.vic.gov.au/agriculture/pests-diseases-and-weeds/pest-animals/fox-bounty/collection-schedule/north-west-victoria> or call the Customer Service Centre on 136 186.

Justine Severin, Regional Media/Communications, Grampians Region

Education News



This term we have had the delight of seeing our new chooks arrive at the LPS Hilton Hen residence. The students have named the fowls Midnight and Pocky. A huge thank you to the McInnes family, in particular Bruce for donating the poultry. Certainly appreciated.

Nicky Clarke provided a workshop with the students as part of the Art Is preparations. See photo page 11. The art work created from plastic bottles is creativity at its best. Nicky also assisted us when the cubby house was being installed at the school a few years ago. The art pieces created by our students will be used in the Art Is festival.

May has been a busy month for sporting events. Josh, Matilda and Patrick have represented Laharum as part of the rural team at the Athletic Sports and Cross Country. Congratulations to the students upon their efforts. Both Patrick and Matilda have advanced to the next level to compete.

We have also been busy with group days with Natimuk and Haven. Years 5 and 6 participated in the Knowledge is Power sessions provided by the Wimmera Health Care Group, and the Years 3 and 4 joined in with the Haven classes. In the afternoon the senior students participated in the Lightning Premiership trials held on May 30.

We welcomed an ex Laharum Primary School student back for work experience. Kira-ly Duplock worked with us as part of the program at Horsham College. It was wonderful to have an extra set of hands to assist with the varied tasks of the school day and a joy to see Kira-ly.

Education Week was celebrated across the state with an array of activities in May. We celebrated with sporting, community and secondary school transition Maths Olympics and 'normal' curriculum activities. On May 22 the four Year 6 students travelled to Horsham College to compete in the Year 6 Maths Olympics against other school teams. We are very proud of our Year 6 students who won the second round of the Olympics; a great effort considering the competitors they were against. See photo page 11. The rural schools cleaned the podium – Natimuk, Haven and Laharum each won a round (there were only 3 rounds) and Natimuk was the overall winner. Small schools are leading the way! Year 6 students assisted with the community Biggest Morning Tea at the Laharum Hall on May 23 and in the afternoon we teamed up with Wendy and Laharum Landcare to host Katie Howard presenting information about 'Turtles'. See photo page 11.

We have welcomed Vivienne Newton and her family to our school this term. Vivienne has come from a large school and is finding the benefits of a rural school education and surrounds. We hope to have another student join us next term but are still seeking enrolments for the longevity of the school. Please contact the school for a tour and chat.

Our school community has been busy with working bees to restore the yard after the building works and School Council have been planning activities to raise some much needed funds for the school. With fewer numbers, the budget is also smaller! Thank you to the families who tirelessly work for the school, donate time and materials and provide equipment for work to be completed in the yard. True country community spirit!

Please feel free to pop in and have a look about – we have an open door policy.

Jane McLean, Principal

Stavelly Arc Ground Release minerals exploration

The Resources branch of the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions launched a new easy to use website. The taskbar on the home page provides ready access to information for [communities and land use](#) and [land access consent tools](#). Information about the [Stavelly Ground Release](#) project is available.

The user-friendly template and guide – [the Land Access Consent tool](#) – helps landholders and minerals explorers to have discussions about land access consent. The tool and supporting material can guide discussions and be tailored to reflect the specific needs of individual landholders and exploration companies.

These tools are freely available, accessible from our website and can assist landowners and occupiers negotiate compensation agreements, as well as access consent. The guide suggests a number of matters and conditions that can be considered, including the time and place of entry, biosecurity protocols, routes, fire management, waste, noise, erosion, safeguarding livestock and crops, and contact points.

Exploration licence holders don't need a [community engagement plan](#) unless a work plan is required. However, they still have a duty to consult. Under a **mining** licence, the licence holder needs to prepare a community engagement plan as part of the work plan. A community engagement plan needs to clearly identify the community; and outline all aspects of engagement at each stage of the mining project.

The minimum requirements for the community engagement plan are in Schedule 13 of the [Mineral Resources Development Regulations 2002](#). They depend on the geographical size of the licence and what activities the licence holder is undertaking.

For further information, please view the [Community Engagement Guidelines for Mining and Mineral Exploration](#).

Gil Hopkins

CFA WELLBEING SUPPORT LINE

1800 959 232

Providing CFA members and their immediate family access to 24 hour support 7 days a week

cfa.vic.gov.au/wellbeing

LAHARUM-WARTOOK VEGIE SWAP

Full details on page 2

Everyone welcome to come along 'empty handed' or with goodies such as vegies, fruit, preserves, cooking, seeds, seedlings, second-hand magazines to swap!

Come and catch up with your neighbours while enjoying a cuppa!



Mayor calls for young people to join youth council

Horsham Rural City Council wants to hear from local young people who want to have a stronger voice in their community and are interested in being part of a new Youth Council. The formation of a Youth Council is an initiative of the current Council to engage with local young people in the decision making process for the future. It is also a key action in the city's Youth Strategy launched last year.

The Youth Council will be representative of young people and will have diversity in membership. It will report to the Mayor and Councillors on the views of young people about HRCC's plans and program that impact on them and the Mayor and Councillors will provide members of the Youth Council with mentoring and support. Council is looking for up to 10 people aged from 12 to 25 to participate.

It is a great opportunity for young people who want a stronger voice in our community to meet others with similar interests and ideas, build their leadership skills and develop their knowledge and abilities to affect change.

Applications are open until **Sunday June 30**, with Youth Councillors set to be appointed in mid-July. The Youth Councillors will meet the Mayor and Councillors and hold their first meeting before the end of July.

People can apply online or contact the Youth & Early Years Team on 5382 9522 or by email to Annie.Mintern@hrcc.vic.gov.au

Wesley to reopen

HRCC will take over ownership and management of Wesley Performing Arts and Culture Centre. The venue has been closed since December 2017 after the building surveyor uncovered issues with its fire safety. Council will support the Wesley PACC committee in undertaking required structural and compliance works to enable the facility to be reopened. The proceeds of the sale of the Horsham Music Academy, which closed last year, will fund the operations.

Road works

Road works recently completed -

- Hutchesson Street reconstruction
- Wyn Wyn Road, shoulder resheet
- Jackmans Road, shoulder resheet
- Old Hamilton Road reconstruction

Council commits to 2020 country music festival

Horsham Rural City Council has committed financial support of \$5,000 to help keep the Horsham Country Music Festival running. Councillors agreed the financial contribution would be for one year only with the expectation that the Festival would generate enough revenue to support its long-term existence.

Reduce pollution from wood heaters this winter

Horsham Rural City Council is reminding residents to use their wood heaters efficiently in order to help reduce air pollution. Environmental Health Coordinator, Luke Mitton said while wood heaters were a great source of winter warmth, problems could arise if they were not operated correctly. "This winter, a number of residents have contacted Council concerned about the pollution from wood heaters, so we're encouraging people with wood heaters to follow a few simple steps before burning".

To reduce pollution from wood heaters:

- Use plenty of dry kindling
- Burn dry and seasoned wood. To check this, bang wood together - it should make a 'crack' sound rather than a dull thud
- Use several small logs and stack them loosely in your heater so air can circulate around them
- After reloading, open air controls for at least 20 minutes
- Don't let your heater smoulder overnight - maintain a flame in the fire and only turn down the airflow when you have a hot bed of charcoal
- Inspect and clean the flue at least once a year and check it regularly to see if smoke is being emitted. Wood heaters should only smoke for 20 minutes when first lit and just after reloading.

If you are experiencing excessive smoke emissions from your wood heater or if you are concerned with smoke coming from a neighbour's wood heater, contact Council's Environmental Health Unit 5382 9777.

More tips and information visit the **EPA website**.

Susan Surridge, Coordinator Community Relations & Advocacy

Stay straight and brake

Never swerve to avoid wildlife on the road. You risk rolling your vehicle, hitting a tree or colliding with oncoming traffic

1. Slow down at dusk and dawn
2. Kangaroos travel in mobs (groups) – there usually will be more than one in the area
3. If a collision is unavoidable – **stay straight and brake**

In an emergency call 000

SAVE THE DATE

Laharum Primary School invites both present & past families, relatives, volunteers, local community members to come along to our End of Year Celebration featuring -

The BILLY TEA BUSH BAND



Thursday December 12, 2019

Laharum Hall

Incorporating LPS Year 6 Graduation Evening

Further details to follow Term 3



Open for brunch/lunch Thursdays to
Sundays from 11am-4pm.
Dinner Friday night.
Take away fish & chips and pizza available
Friday between 6-7pm - please ring to order.
Happy Hour Friday night.

Bookings for dinner appreciated via
Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/TheWanderInn/>

or call Vicki on 5383 6388.

Vicki Plunkett



KnitKnaX & KnitWitz

Our weekly knitting and crocheting group
meets on Mondays from 4-6pm at Redrock Books &
Gallery. Enquiries 5381 0866 or email
info@fibreworks.net.au.

Gill Venn



General Store

Open 7 days a week from 9am-6pm
Groceries, milk, bread, frozen food
available plus petrol and liquor

Phone Garry & Janet on 0404 696629 or
email enquiry@happywandererresort.com.au

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June - August 2019 IN CASE OF FIRE DIAL 000



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Call Grampians Remote 275# before taking the truck on a run. When returning change back to 517#

	LAHARUM TANKER 1		LAHARUM TANKER 2	
WEEK START	DRIVER	CREW	DRIVER	CREW
03/06/19	Mal Griffiths	Ray Zippel	David Pratt	Pam Pratt
10/06/19	Rob McInnes	Leigh Mibus	Tim Martin	Angus Martin
17/06/19	Brad Geue	Steve Suter	Roger MacInnes	Deb MacInnes
24/06/19	Ed Johnson	Jim Johnson	Gary Staehr	Robert Staehr
01/07/19	Jim Carter	Graeme Wood	Mark Uebergang	Jenny Uebergang
08/07/19	Bruce McInnes	Jessica Bettess	Bill Gardner	Stuart Gardner
15/07/19	Jamie Parfett	Adam Shields	Gil Hopkins	Eh Doh Jah
22/07/19	Rob Jess	Daniel Doherty	David Pratt	Pam Pratt
29/07/19	Tim Martin	Angus Martin	Mark Francisco	Dane Francisco
05/08/19	Roger MacInnes	Deb MacInnes	Brendan Dunn	Peter Dunn
12/08/19	Gary Staehr	Robert Staehr	Will Pyke	Htoo Kaw Jah

BRIMPAEN FIRE BRIGADE TRUCK ROSTER

Date	Tanker 1 Brimpaen		Tanker 3 Brimpaen		Tanker 2 Glenisla	
01/06/19	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt	Steve Price	Gerard Matthews	Luke Barber	Laura Anderson
08/06/19	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	
15/06/19	Peter McGenniskien	Ra McGenniskien	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
22/06/19	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French
29/06/19	Peter McGenniskien	Ra McGenniskien	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
06/07/19	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French
13/07/19	Andrew Chincarini	Kerry Anne & Tristan Chincarini	Dean Winfield	Maggie Winfield Bailey Pilgrim	Rod Miller	Sue, Alana & Will Miller
20/07/19	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt	Steve Price	Gerard Matthews	Luke Barber	Laura Anderson
27/07/19	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	
03/08/19	Peter McGenniskien	Ra McGenniskien	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
10/08/19	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French

VICTORIAN BUSHFIRE INFORMATION LINE 1800 240 667

Total Fire Bans – Fire Restrictions - Bushfire Planning – Major Fires

Fire warnings and updates: Emergency broadcasters: ABC and Commercial radio stations and SKY News TV

Community Calendar of Events: June - August 2019

June			
Sunday	9	10-11am	Laharum Wartook Vegie Swap – 75 Snells Road, Wartook
"	9	12.30pm	Olive Harvest Open Day – 376 Olive Plantation Road, Laharum
Thursday	13	1.30-3.30pm	Fox Bounty collection – 180 Horsham-Noradjuha Road
Tuesday	18	daytime	Laharum Primary School plantout with Laharum Landcare Group
"	18	6.30pm	Movie 2040 Cinema Horsham
Friday	21	9.30am-3pm	Wonwondah Sit & Sew – Wonwondah Hall
Sunday	23	9-11am	Community Reflection & Discussion on Emergency Management – Laharum Hall
Tuesday	25	2pm	Brimpaen Ladies Social Club – Brimpaen Hall
Thursday	27	day	Laharum Landcare Group planting with Haven PS
July			
Tuesday	2	day	Brimpaen Craft Club – The Wander Inn
Tuesday	9	7.30pm	Wonwondah Landcare Group – Guest's dairy
Sunday	14	10-11am	Laharum Wartook Vegie Swap – Tatlock's Bridge Brimpaen/Laharum Road
Tuesday	16	7pm	Laharum Landcare Group – Laharum Hall with shared casserole tea
Thursday	18	7.30pm	Local Vocals – Laharum Hall
Tuesday	30	day	Brimpaen Ladies Social Club – 60 th Birthday Celebration
August			
Tuesday	6	10am-3pm	Brimpaen Craft Club – Brimpaen Hall
Sunday	11	10-11am	Laharum Wartook Vegie Swap – 376 Olive Plantation Road, Laharum

'Casting the yet to come' Exhibition – May 31-June 30, Redrock Books & Gallery, 65 Firebrace Street.

Mobile Library – Thursdays June 6, 20, July 4, 18, August 1, 15, 9.30am, Laharum Primary School

Driver Reviver Kiosk Open – June 8, 9, 10, 29, 30 and July 6, 7, 13, 14

Laharum Landcare Group – Tuesdays September 10, November 12



Sam Sudholz, Josh Hutchinson, Selena Winfield & Ava Knight 2nd Round winners of Year 6 Maths Olympics



Katie Howard on World Turtle Day at Laharum Primary School



Nicky Clarke providing Laharum Primary School students with a workshop as part of the Art Is Festival – their work can be seen throughout Horsham city





Laharum Wartook Vegie Swap on Mother's Day at Wendy's ↑ ↓



Laharum Wartook Vegie Swap at Proo & Will's in April ↑
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↓ Luca enjoying the morning

