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Laharum Primary School's Mad Hatters Tea Party Book Week

Now that the weather is warming up and the 'green' is gradually turning to brown, it's a reminder of our fire preparation. There is plenty of helpful and important information to read in this Newsletter!

The wildflowers are plentiful in the Grampians at the moment and well worth a visit!

Liz Hopkins

Brimpaen Craft Club



Tuesday November 5 – Melbourne Cup lunch at Loretta's, 167 Rosebrook-Glenisla Road, Wartook.

Tuesday December 3 – Christmas lunch at Brimpaen Hall (Kris Kringle).

Jill Sinclair

Mobile Library



Laharum will be visited by the Mobile Library on *Thursdays October 10, 24, November 7, 21* and *December 5, 19* from 9.30am in front of Laharum

Primary School.

Greg Maybery



Laharum A Grade netball premiers for 2019! Back: Lily Wynne, Co-coach Caitlin Story & Erin Mellington, Rebecca McIntyre, Maddie Iredell, Zandria Malone Front: Adele Rohde, Emma Iredell, Rylee Hateley

NURSE ON CALL 1300 606 024









Laharum Tennis Club



This tennis season Laharum Tennis Club will have an A Grade team and we hope to be a very competitive team.

Debra Hutchinson

Local Vocals

Laharum Hall Leader - Merryn Eagle



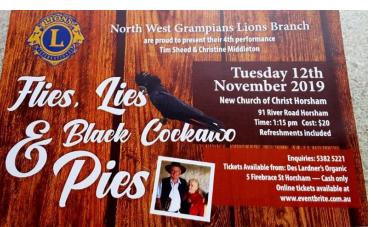
Thursday November 21, 7.30pm

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

Come and join us for a happy and relaxing singing evening including some Christmas Carols

Enjoy the friendship - it's heaps of fun!

We love to see new faces - Minimal charge
Singing ability definitely not necessary



Proceeds go towards completion of North West Grampians Green Lake Driver Reviver Stop



WARTOOK & LAHARUM COMMUNITY DAY

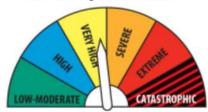
Sunday November 10

10am–12pm The Wander Inn, Wartook

Veggie Swap hosted by Laharum Landcare 10am



Laharum CFA providing Fire Ready information



Community groups or stall holders wishing to participate contact Jess 0421 187220



Do you have a few hours to spare?

Karen employees at Australian Wildflowers need help filling out Citizenship applications. Please call me on 0407 864479.

Karen people are an ethnic group from Burma. Due to civil conflict after World War II, the Karen became stateless and ended up in temporary refugee camps in Thailand. After spending many years in refugee camps, they have been granted UNHCR status to resettle in Australia under the humanitarian settlement program. Australian Wildflowers have a high number of loyal Karen employees with limited English skills across many of their local sites.

Melissa Powell

Laharum-Wartook Produce & Vegetable swap

SPRING/SUMMER 2019 second Sunday at 10am sharp



13th October Judy & Bill Gardner 1004 Nthn Grampians Rd Laharum

10th November The Wander Inn Laharum Wartook community day

8th December Alison White & John Fisher 75 Snell's Road Wartook

Please note change of swap day to first Sunday

of the month from January 2020 onwards

For further information contact Wendy McInnes 5383 6220



CRIME STOPPERS DIAL 1800 333000



Horsham Rural City Landcare Facilitator





Thank you Jane for bringing your Laharum Primary School students to Zumsteins for an interesting session with

the platypus man, Josh Griffiths who demonstrated eDNA testing of MacKenzie River for Platypus DNA. It was wonderful that Josh and volunteers had caught a platypus that morning and were able to show a video to the children. Josh also made comment that he was very impressed with the amazing knowledge the students had about our unique Monotremes. Following on from that terrific morning, the students have made their own ceramic platypus to take home. See photo page 11.

On **Sunday November 10** our Vegetable Swap will be run in conjunction with CFA and other local organisations at The Wander Inn for our annual Community Day – it was such a successful event we had last year. Bring your children along as I will be running some fun children's activities on the day. See page 2.

From the beginning of 2020 and throughout, the Swaps will be held on the *first* Sunday of the month. Please note in your calendar the following dates - *January 5, February 2* and *March 1*.

Laharum Landcare Group has plans to run a rabbit control information session shortly. James Rowe from Agriculture Victoria has offered to help. The plan is to teach those with rabbit problems all the different rabbit control methods and when best to apply them. There have been many reports of the rabbit numbers increasing lately.

Horsham Urban Landcare will be running free kid's nature activities at the Horsham Spring Garden Festival on *Sat/Sun October 12 & 13*.

Laharum Landcare Group has their AGM on *Tuesday November 12*, 7:30pm and Christmas breakup at The Wander Inn on *Friday November 22*, 6:30 pm. **Wendy McInnes**, Landcare Facilitator

Wonwondah News



Fleece and Flower Show -

Sunday October 27. This is the major revenue raiser for the Hall. This year monies raised will

go towards completing the playground and airconditioning for the main hall area. Anyone shearing between now and then is asked to donate a fleece for the competition. Please put one aside and it will be collected prior to the Show. Agenda and sections will be distributed after the next meeting.

A working bee has been organised for **Sunday October 13** - many hands make light work! Please meet at the Hall from 9–11am.

Wonwondah Sit & Sew



Next session will be held on *Friday October 25*, 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 Sue Ahern for more details 0438 304948.

Kylie Zelley

Yoga at Laharum Hall is in recess



Disaster Training

There are significant differences in how men and women experience and recover from disasters. The influence of gender roles and differences must be understood and addressed. Over two days in October, Horsham is hosting a number of events linked together by the theme 'Gender & Disaster'.

Thursday October 24 Lunch 12-2pm at Horsham Town Hall - Women's Health Grampians invite you to attend the CoRE 'Leading Change Lunch; Gender & Disaster Management'. Guest Speakers from Gender & Disaster Pod, Australasian Women in Emergencies Network and Victoria Police. Tickets available at Horsham Town Hall http://www.horshamtownhall.com.au/type/events/

Thursday October 24 Dinner 6.30pm – 'Australasian Women in Emergency AWE Networking Dinner' - Amanda Lamont will join AWE members for dinner and networking in Horsham and we would love you to join us. Dinner will be at your own expense. The conversations, laughs and opportunities are endless, free and priceless! Venue at baa 3400, 118 Baillie St, Horsham. To register for the AWE dinner, go to -

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/australasian-women-in-emergencies-awe-network-dinner-horsham-vic-tickets-74606591323. Contact Amanda Lamont at amanda@amandalamont.com or myself on 5382 9747 or 0428 144812 if you have any questions. It's a great time to consider joining AWE http://www.awenetwork.com.au/

Friday October 25 Training 9.30am-3pm – Coughlin Park Community Centre, 14 Hamilton Street, Horsham. 'Lessons in Disaster' training package explores how girls and boys are raised to take on different roles in society and how this creates different risks for men and women during and after disasters. Horsham Rural City Council supported by the Office for Women, The Hon. Gabrielle Williams. Register -

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/lessons-in-disaster-tickets-70462759009

Mandi Stewart, Manager Community Services & Emergency

Laharum Hall Committee



The Hall has recently hosted a number of larger functions with more proposed in the near future.

I would like to praise the volunteer Committee who have assisted with these functions. Whether it's been catering, cleaning, setting up, spraying weeds, fire prevention and numerous small jobs our members of the committee have helped. All these efforts continue to maintain the hall in good condition.

A reminder that trestles, chairs and numerous hall items can be hired. Laharum Books are available at \$10. **Judy Berendsen**, Secretary 5383 6265

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



North West Grampians Branch of Horsham Lions Club



Our last meeting was on October 1 at Laharum Hall. We welcomed Pam Pratt and Brian Walsh into membership and farewelled Julie-Ann & Rob McPherson who have moved to Metung. We

wish them a happy new adventure.

Our Driver Reviver located at Green Lake, was a busy project over the school and public holiday period.

Our club is proud to present the show 'Flies, Lies and Black Cockatoo Pies' by Christine Middleton and Tim Sheed. This is our 4th visit to Horsham and it will be another outstanding performance. The event will take place at 1.15pm on Tuesday November 12 at Horsham Church of Christ, 91 River Road. Tickets cost \$20 (refreshments included) and are available through Pam Pratt 0419 532615, Libby Peucker 5382 5221, Des Lardner Organic (cash only) or online at www.eventbrite.com.au. Proceeds will benefit Driver Reviver. See flyer on page 2.

Our Lions Club supported the motor bike 'Sand Drags' at Taylors Lake over the weekend October 5 & 6. Keith Fischer is our President 0417 691000 and Tim Eagle Secretary 0429 846206 **Libby Peucker**



AGRICULTURE TOTALA Australian Pulse Conference Tues-Thurs October 15-17 at

Horsham Church of Christ, 91 River Road, Horsham.

The theme 'Innovation leading transformational change' will focus on five sub themes - Pushing pulse yield boundaries; Accessing new markets; Value adding pulses; Expanding pulse production and Smart farms and remote sensing.

The program features keynote sessions from national and international industry professionals, as well as orals presentations and posters. Bookings are required for Field Day tours. To register or view the program visit https://apc2019.com.au.

Fox bounty collection

Wednesday October 30, 1.30-3.3-pm - 180 Horsham-Noradjuha Road, Horsham.

Eligible participants can submit entire fox scalps for \$10 reward during scheduled collection times. Agriculture Victoria Biosecurity Officers are at designated collection centres to collect scalps. For full details on bounty collection, terms and conditions and frequently asked questions visit their website or contact the Customer Service Centre on 136 186.

Justine Severin

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

Burn Off Notification Line 1800 668 511



Before you light up



Laharum Landcare Group



We were recently successful in obtaining a grant to help with pest plant and animal control, revegetation and communication, which will help keep us active. We will certainly be needing the

weed funding this season, especially in some areas for St John's wort and Paterson's curse. With some rain there has been growth and some weeds have re-emerged bigger and brighter than ever, including the 'new' African Weed Orchid. All Landcare Group members have access to our noxious weed and rabbit control funds, so if you have these issues please contact Wendy 5383 6220 or Gil 0490 830769. It's only \$10 to join! You also get help in organising a weed management or rabbit control plan, and access to equipment and some chemical for noxious or environmental weeds, and possibly training funds.

We expect to have rabbit burrows ripped over summer and will be trying to release Calicivirus at the appropriate time. Each African Weed Orchid plant can have millions of spores to help it spread quickly, so it's best to dig it up and solarise before flowering, though maybe close mowing/grazing and mulching can help. Contact Gil if you want to know more.

The Laharum-Wartook Community Day is Sunday November 10, 10am-12noon at The Wander Inn. Laharum Fire Brigade and Landcare will be there, and it's also the Veggie Swap morning, so come along to meet people and gather useful information.

Our AGM is on *Tuesday November 12*, 7.30pm at Laharum Hall, and our breakup at 6.30pm, Friday November 22 at The Wander Inn. Gil Hopkins, Vice President

Wonwondah Landcare Group



Wonwondah Landcare Group's weather stations and soil moisture probes are functioning very well this season indicating how cold those frosty mornings really were!

There is a difference of additional rainfall in the Green Lake and Dollin areas and the soil moisture levels are holding well; however through Wonwondah the moisture levels are declining due to a lesser volume of rain to date.

Any areas of rabbit activity should be reported, as ripping will resume during October and November.

At our next meeting Andrew Saunders from JK Milling will brief us on the season's grain prices and how other cropping areas are progressing. This will be held on Tuesday October 15 at Guest's dairy, 7.30pm - all are welcome.

Chris Guest



Police Assistance Line 131 444

Call us any time to report non urgent crimes and events

DOB IN A LITTERER 1300 372 81300 372 842 or 1300 EPA VIC

Report pollution of the environment 24 hour hotline



Education News



Book Week was celebrated with a character dress day and a grandparent or VIP guest for a Mad Hatters morning tea. The morning was

well supported with our extended school community participating in ICT Sphero Ball demonstrations, art session and pavement artistry work following the reading of 'Chalk Boy', a book nominated for an award. Thank you to the grandparents, VIP guests and parents who supported the event. We are always happy to have our community join in with us at school and hope everyone enjoyed the morning. See photo front page.

Congratulations to all our Year 3 and Year 5 students upon their excellent NAPLAN results. The results are worthy of celebrating with medium and high growth being demonstrated in all areas. We are very proud of their results and the hard work and effort applied has certainly produced positive results. NAPLAN is only a snap shot of achievement on one day of the year, however when the results are in alignment with the school test results, it gains more credibility.

Multicultural appreciation has been flowing at school with a varied tastings session - all day!! The chatter about food, ingredients and cultural significance of some foods was rich in appreciation for the diversity we have in Australia, and provided students with hands-on learning which has significance in their day to day and future living.

We have had a number of events on the calendar; it seems one thing rolls into the next! We were presented with an opportunity from Laharum Landcare to visit Zumsteins on September 11 for a platypus DNA activity. See photo page 11. The activity was most informative and students had the opportunity to ask questions and view a local platypus that had been captured and released earlier in the day. Wendy followed up the activity with a pottery task at school making mini platypus. See photo page 11. We are very fortunate to have a strong link with Laharum Landcare to support our science and environmental curriculum within our local community. Our thanks to Wendy.

In the last week of Term 3 we had a visit from Janine Harfield to support our Health program in relation to personal hygiene and adolescent development, and we hosted a dentist to provide students with a free dental check-up. We hope these extra programs support our student's good health and wellbeing.

Cricket season has commenced with cricket sessions on the calendar for the end of Term 3 and the start of Term 4 with Cricket Victoria. Swimming starts week one in Term 4 and will conclude in late November. We travel to the Aquatic Centre for our sessions with qualified swimming instructors. The importance of swimming is paramount with summer ahead and the ability to save a life.

The Melbourne Symphony Orchestra (MSO) is coming to Horsham in November and our students will be attending the event. As an extra we have been fortunate in accessing four MSO musicians to run a workshop at the school prior to the main event. During the first week of Term 4 we will have an afternoon being up close to the musicians and their instruments. This incursion is limited to a number of schools, hence we are fortunate that we have been successful in hosting a workshop.

Friday October 18 – circle the diary! We have our annual Trivia and Silent Auction night at Cameron

Oval. Please support the event as it is our main fundraiser for extra activities for the students. The Melbourne Symphony Orchestra event is funded from money raised last year. Contact the school if you would like to book a table or tickets can be purchased at the door. We also welcome any donations for this event prior to the evening.

Thursday December 12 is another diary date our Billy Tea Bush Band end of year celebration starting with tea and proceeding into the dance, followed by the formalities for the end of the school year. Enjoy the spring weather.

Jane McLean, Principal

Laharum Football Netball Club



Well another season has finally ended. It's been a great final's campaign from the club with all but two netball sides making it, and the U17's football as well.



Most of the netball made it through to the preliminary final with A Grade and U17 footy making it all the way to the Grand Final. The 17's went well but unfortunately were beaten by a very classy Harrow Balmoral team. Well done to Tony Cameron and crew for getting the best out of the boys this year.

A Grade netball came through with a premiership medal after going into extra time and really testing the strength of our hearts, finishing with a thrilling one goal win. This is the very 'first ever' grand final premiership win in A Grade since our netball started in 1966.... a very thrilling and nail biting high standard match. They won in extra time 58 to 57 goals!

Caito and Erin have done a super job with the ladies this year realising the need to change something which resulted in the win.

On the footy side, we have appointed Shannon Argall as senior coach and we are getting very close to announcing some recruits. We also have ten U17's coming up to senior footy which is a great boost for us. We have just had our Best and Fairest Counts. The seniors went to Mitch Horwood; Reserves - Shannon Reddie and U17's Archie Harrison.

A Grade netball went to Caito Story; B Grade -Brooke Taylor; C Grade - Vanessa Lenehan, and C Reserve - Olivia Smith. Michele Mibus Unsung Hero went to Shannon Arnott. U13's - Sophie Quick; U15's - Rylee Hateley; U17's - Georgia Pilgrim.

Best Club Person went to Ash Marra, and the Chairman's Award went to the Wynne family. See photos page 1 & 12.

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank our very valued sponsors, our volunteers, and our great community for making this such a great place to hang out.

Our AGM will be held on *Tuesday October 29*, at 6.30pm at the Clubrooms and encourage everyone to attend for the future benefit of the Laharum Football Netball Club.

Tim Nagorcka, Chairman 0412 784365



House for private sale

3 bedroom house on 10 acres in the Laharum area Contact Carole on 5383 8232



Laharum Cricket Club



WE RETAINED THE URN!

The days are getting longer, the weather warmer and footy has finished, which can mean only one thing.... cricket season is fast approaching once

again! It is an exciting year for Laharum Cricket Club, for the first time in many years we'll have an Under 16 team! As well as the Under 16s, we have A Grade, C Grade, Under 14s and Woolworths Junior Blasters.

Daniel Griffiths will again be leading the A Grade team with a few new inclusions. Adam Barber and Anthony Molloy have joined us for the summer from the UK to help strengthen our new ball bowling, while Laharum footballer Alec Steff has also joined the club! Senior training this season will be Thursday nights at Horsham West Primary from 6pm.

Under 16s are a joint venture with Bullants. Several of our A Graders have put their hands up to coach these young guns, including Josh Mahoney, Anthony Cutter, Jack Parfett-Oliver and Dan Mibus. Training for this team will be on Tuesdays at Horsham West Primary at 5pm. This will allow the kids to train with their respective senior sides on Thursdays.

Under 14s will be guided by Jim & Rob McInnes, who have done a great job in pulling this side together after we thought we might not have enough for a team. They will be training at Laharum on Wednesday nights.

Woolworths Junior Blasters this year is being run by Ben Peucker on Sunday mornings. The sessions will be split between Laharum and Horsham. This is a great program to introduce kids to cricket. They learn a lot of hand/eye skills that can be transferred to other tasks/games and have some fun along the way.

All junior players this year need to register to play and pay their insurance online before their first game. To do this, head to – www.playcricket.com.au and type in Laharum as your club.

With some senior training being moved into Horsham this season, we will be implementing a monthly Member's Draw at Laharum. This will be held the first Wednesday of every month from 6pm. We will have a BBQ, some games and a raffle. We see this as a good opportunity for the whole community to get together once a month and have a bit of fun. Training started the first week of October for all grades with the senior teams training on Wednesday for the first week to coincide with the Member's Draw on October 2.

The first games this year are A Grade - October 12 v Blackheath Dimboola @ Laharum
C Grade - October 19 v Horsham Saints @ Dock Lake
U16 - October 19 v Horsham Saints @ Dock Lake
U14 - October 18 v Tiger Colts @ Dimboola Rd
Blasters - October 20 @ Laharum (5 sessions in Term 4
and another 5 in Term 1, 2020, evenly split between
Horsham and Laharum.

A massive thank you to our sponsors for their valued support - Australian Wildflowers, Horsham Hydraulics, Lawrence & Hanson, Horsham Family Healthcare, Cellarbrations, Royal Hotel, Best Hire, BuildPro.

As always, if anyone out there would like to give cricket a go, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us either via phone or our facebook page. Here's to a fun filled summer!

Ben Peucker, President 0408 011319

Grampians National Park



Parks staff have had a busy and productive end to the winter season. With wildflowers in full swing, school holidays and the occasional day of warm weather,

visitation has been steadily increasing. Recruitment for this seasons' project fire fighters is in progress with training soon to begin. Slashing of roadsides has also been a key part of the Fire and Emergency teams' delivery efforts over the past few weeks and has seen many tracksides cleared to ensure good access throughout the coming fire season. Good conditions have also enabled some roads to be graded, removing the corrugations and potholes that developed throughout the long dry summer.

Other projects that have kept staff busy have included the opening of two new campgrounds. Both Troopers Creek and Coppermine Campgrounds conclude the recovery funding following the major fires and floods which have plagued the Grampians over recent years. Replacement interpretive signage has also been installed at Ngamadjidj Shelter as part of this funding. This small loop walk features an Aboriginal rock art shelter and can be accessed from Stapylton Campground.

The spring school holidays have been an exciting time for rangers involved in the delivery of the Junior Ranger program and the Ranger Guided walks. Many new and excited faces have kicked off the first lot of programs with many more activities to come. This is a great opportunity for kids and families to spend some time with 'Rangers' learning practical skills such as using a compass, as well as enjoying time being out in nature. **Kailee Savoia**

Brimpaen Tennis Club



Another tennis season is fast approaching. It just feels like yesterday that we were playing in the grand final!

This year we will have a Pennant and A Grade side. Pennant will be a real battle for us, but our A Grade side looks quite good on paper. Hopefully we can have some success again this year.

If anyone is looking for a game, please contact myself at courtwin9@yahoo.com or Gerard Matthews. Courtney Dunn

CFA District 17

Planning and preparation of your home



 Preparing your property means you can minimise the chance of property damage during a fire; even if you plan to leave early.

- Reduce your grassfire risk on days when it's safe to do so. Slash, mow, graze and spray grass near your home and assets, and create fuel breaks. Carry firefighting equipment with you in case a fire starts as you work eg. hitting rocks while slashing
- Do you have family, friends or neighbours who may need help preparing for fires?
 More information cfa.vic.gov.au/prepare

Prepare your property to reduce fire risk



Jo Gellatly, Brigade Administration Support Officer



Laharum Rural CFA



Since the previous newsletter, Laharum Brigade has attended one call out, supporting Brimpaen to a car accident just north of Cherrypool.

Pre-Season info - with the weather warming up, I hope all residents are well into their fire preparations. Many weather forecasters are predicting dry conditions over the spring with below-average rainfalls, so the fire season could be here earlier rather than later!

With reasonable winter rainfalls, the crops across the Wimmera are looking thick and healthy as well as reasonable grass growth - the risk of big and hot grass and stubble fires has risen compared to previous years. However, rainfall has been hit and miss for any run-off into dams, so water for fire-fighting could be scarce. Therefore, we'll be taking the same approach as last year, getting more tankers on the road early. Added to this risk is the fuels in the National Park are ready to burn. Apart from some of the rocky outcrops, the 2014 fire scar will burn again from now on. I'd be predicting fire restrictions may be in by mid-November.

We've recently received our long-awaited new chainsaw, with new protective clothing, fire resistant chaps and a dedicated helmet with ear muffs and visor. This can be used by any member who has their chainsaw operator's endorsement. Pager batteries have been delivered to mailboxes for those who have pagers. If we've missed anyone, please let us know or you will find more in either fire stations.

Training - before this season the CFA's Chief Officer has asked that all Operational Members carry out the Burn Over/Entrapment Drill and the Hazardous Tree Awareness video before the commencement of the Fire Danger Period (FDP). Unfortunately, members will be made non-operational until they've done the training following the commencement of the FDP. The Brigade as well as the Grampians Group is planning to hold a few sessions to try and capture as many personnel as possible. The sessions will only go for no more than an hour. The Hazardous Tree video goes for 15 minutes followed by a very short assessment and then the entrapment drill which will only take 10-15 mins. These sessions will be run by ourselves and very low key, so all Captains within the Grampians Group ask that all members please make the effort to get to one of the sessions so you are able to help at a fire when needed, whether it's on a tanker or your own private unit.

Entrapment & Hazardous Trees Training dates -Brimpaen Fire Station/Brimpaen Hall Sun Oct 13, 1.30pm Laharum Fire Station/Laharum Oval Mon Oct 14, 5.45pm Wonwondah Fire Station/Hall Tues Oct 22, 5.45pm Green Lake Fire Station/Dock Lake Reserve Wed Oct 30 5:45pm

The dates are spread out for members to go to any session across the Grampians Group if they can't make it to their own Brigade session. So, feel free to go to whichever one suits. Text and pager messages will be sent out with clarifications on times and locations as well as using the Facebook groups.

Brigade Burn-Off's - The Brigade plans to carry out our usual fuel reduction burns - in front of the oval; Council dam, and around both fire stations. We are in the planning stages of doing more from the Brimpaen corner north if time permits.

Laharum Tanker 2 Replacement - So far we've raised over \$8,100 towards the project - well on our way to our community target of \$10,000. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far. We are still accepting donations - full details as follows -

Direct deposit - A/c name CFA & Brigades
Donations Trust Fund BSB 063 225. A/c 1022 0603
Reference 17442 Laharum, then type in your name for
CFA records and for your receipt. Please email me at
lukedummo@hotmail.com if you require a written receipt.
Cheques should be made payable to – Laharum Fire
Brigade C/- 210 Snells Road, Wartook 3401. Hopefully by
the next newsletter we will know if we are successful with
the grant application. Stay tuned!

If anyone has any fire brigade questions, please feel free to contact me on 0428 838242. **Luke Dumesny**, Captain

BE AS READY AS YOU CAN BE THIS FIRE SEASON

Community Fireguard is
CFA's most comprehensive
fire safety program.

Take control of your own bushfire
safety and be better prepared to:

Plan for a range of scenarios

Make informed decisions when it counts

Maintain a fire smart house and garden

"Is it for me"?

If you are passionate about keeping your home and your family safe and can get together with your neighbours or other locals from around your area, then Community Fireguard is for you. This program is available for residents in high risk bush or grass fire areas.

How much does it cost?

Community Firequard is free of charge.

"How many people do I need to get together to form a group"?

As a general rule you will need to include people from at least four or five households in your group. But this might vary depending on your local area – your first step should always be to speak to CFA.

"Where are the meetings held"?

Once you have your group together, CFA will come to you. Community Fireguard meetings are held in people's homes or local community centres, at a time that's convenient for the group – usually on weekends or in the evening.

Jessica Bettess, Volunteer Sustainability Team – West Region Volunteers & Capability



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





Social Infrastructure Plan - Horsham Rural City Council is seeking the public's help to develop its first Social Infrastructure Plan to determine priorities for planning, provision and development of social infrastructure over the next 20 years. This includes libraries, community halls, arts and cultural facilities, parks and sportsgrounds, aquatic centres, and public toilets. Input into the plan is sought from the general public and from providers of social infrastructure via a short online survey available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HorshamSIP. Paper copies of the survey are available at the Civic Centre - please ask at reception. The survey closes at midnight on *Monday October 14*.

If you are a provider or manager of social infrastructure in the community, a stakeholder survey can be sent to you to complete. Please contact Stefanie.jones@hrcc.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the stakeholder survey.

Horsham Urban Transport Plan is now open for public comment. The Horsham Urban Transport Plan will set directions and priorities for developing our transport system in urban Horsham in a way that supports the goals of our community, our economy and environment both now and in the future.

Council has identified six key objectives which will drive the project - A more active and vibrant CBD and river precinct; Trucks which don't originate or terminate in the CBD to be removed from the CBD and river precinct; More active transport; More river crossings; Linking highways to economic activities; Preference for the use of existing road reserves for future development of the local and arterial roads. The two key documents can be downloaded from Council's website - Download the draft Horsham Urban Transport Plan; Read the engagement report.

A survey has been developed and is available at the Council's website or

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HRCCHUTPDraft with printed copies available from Council's offices. The community response period will be open until *Monday December 9*, 5pm. We are looking for the community to guide us as to what the major priorities in the Plan are to help inform the budget deliberations.

Saleyards roof tender awarded - Council has awarded a contract to MKM Constructions to build a roof over Horsham Regional Livestock Exchange. The \$3,434,570 contract is for design and construction with works expected to start in November and be completed by October 2020. See photo page 11.

The sawtooth modular design covers the entire existing saleyard area of 23,400 square metres. Works also include 500 kilolitres of water storage; LED lighting throughout and 100 kilowatts of solar panels, the maximum allowable within the limits of the small-scale renewable energy market provisions.

Susan Surridge, Coordinator Community Relations & Advocacy

ALWAYS DIAL TRIPLE ZERO TO REPORT FIRE



Spring Planned Burning Season 2019

Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMVic) will be conducting planned burning in the Grampians National Park and Little Desert National Park over the next few months during spring, when conditions are suitable. When will these planned burns happen? Each burn is part of the Joint Fuel Management Program outlining where FFMVic and CFA intend to carry out fuel management works fm.vic.gov.au/jfmp. Although burns are scheduled to take place in a certain year and season; this can change depending on weather and local conditions.

Planned burns – what can you expect to see? Before the burn takes place, crews will prepare the site. This can include trimming or removing hazardous trees and clearing control lines around the burn edge. On the day of the planned burn you may see smoke and flames. Some roads and tracks may close or have speed restrictions. Fire fighting vehicles and crews will be in the area.

How can I find out about a burn near me? Stay

informed about when burns may occur.

Visit: ffm.vic.gov.au/plannedburn

Call: VicEmergency Hotline 1800 226 226

Download: VicEmergency App Register: Planned Burns Victoria plannedburns.ffm.vic.gov.au

The planned burn notification system (PBNS) has a new name and is now called **Planned Burns Victoria**.

We encourage you to sign up – you can set up automated SMS and email notifications about any upcoming FFMVic and CFA planned burns on public and private land. There is no charge to register or to receive messages.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we do this important work to better protect communities, property and the environment from the impacts of bushfire.

For further information about planned burning, please contact the local FFMVic office on 5362 0720. **Danielle Leehane**, Senior Community Partnerships Officer





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

CRAMPIANO



Kailash (formerly Wartook Rise)

After a busy 18 months of renovations since changing hands from Rob & Sue Taylor, the new proprietors David & Rajni are excited to announce a weekly community wellness program!

Come and explore both traditional and contemporary practices of Yoga and Meditation which can be used to establish a healthy body and mind and to re-awaken a connection to the soul. Our classes are fun, approachable and friendly, no previous skill or ability is required. Classes are located in our beautiful yurt and are on a donation basis (suggested minimum of \$10 per class.) For more information please see our website www.kailash.co and to register, please email info@kailash.co or message David on 0415 703324.

Meditation - Wednesday 7-8pm.

30 mins of collective meditation followed by a 30 minute discussion. If you are new to meditation or would like to get some advice on different styles and techniques please come 15 minutes early at 6.45pm.

Yoga - Thursday - 6.30-7.45pm

Beginner friendly - an intro class suitable for those new to yoga, including a gentle warm up sequence and a focus on developing flowing movements which strengthen the bones and blood.

Yoga - Friday- 6.30-7.45pm

Intermediate – a stronger class for those with experience looking to deepen their practice.

Mountain Yoga - Saturday - 9.30-11am

An active, mindfulness based class that utilises the direct experience of nature as a vehicle for finding peace.

Sound Meditation - Saturday - 6-7.30pm

A journey out of the mind and into the soul! A passive practice suitable for anyone seeking a moment of calm.

Fire in the Tipi - Saturday - 7.30pm

A chance to share in connection and community with locals and visitors alike, an unplanned, unprogrammed time to connect over food, music and laughter. BYO campfire food favourites, we will provide cooking implements, camp grill and a roaring fire! A perfect way to ground back down after Saturday's sound meditation.

David and Rajni





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5383 6247 or 5383 6305 AH; 0427 836366 or bikechef@activ8.net.au

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honey, vinegars, dukkah etc. Gift packs available

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Grea Mathews 5383 8299



Our weekly knitting and crocheting group meets on Mondays from 4-6pm at Redrock Books & Gallery. Our last session for the year will be **Monday** November 25, resuming in February 2020. Enquiries ring on 5381 0866 or email info@fibreworks.net.au.

Gill Venn



Open 11am Thursdays to Sundays with lunch from 11.30am-3pm. Dinner Friday night 5.30-8pm. Breakfast now served Saturdays &

Sundays 9am-12noon.

Take away fish & chips and pizza available please ring to order. Bookings for dinner appreciated via Facebook https://www.facebook.com/TheWanderInn/ or call me on 5383 6388.

Dianna



LAHARUM FIRE BRIGADE TRUCK ROSTER October - December 2019 IN CASE OF FIRE DIAL 000



The trucks need to be driven at least 30km a week, and water pumped for at least 5 minutes. Fuel, tyres, lights checked. Refuel if less than ¾ full. **Fill in the log book**. Immediately report any problems to the Captain. Captains are: Laharum - **Luke Dumesny 0438 838242**; Brimpaen - **Ken French 5380 1500**.

Truck radio will be on Vicfire Channel 517 for emergency callout.

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

	LAHARUM TANKER 1		LAHARUM TANKE	R 2
WEEK START	DRIVER	CREW	DRIVER	CREW
07/10/19	Tim Martin	Angus Martin	Mark Francisco	Dane Francisco
14/10/19	Brendan Dunn	Peter Dunn	Roger MacInnes	Deb MacInnes
21/10/19	Will Pyke	Htoo Kaw Jah	Gary Staehr	Robert Staehr
28/10/19	Francoise van der Plank	Vicky Stevens	Mark Uebergang	Jenny Uebergang
04/11/19	Mal Griffiths	Ray Zippel	Bill Gardner	Stuart Gardner
11/11/19	Rob McInnes	Leigh Mibus	Gil Hopkins	Eh Doh Jah
18/11/19	Mark Uebergang	Jenny Uebergang	Jim Carter	Graeme Wood
25/11/19	Bill Gardner	Stuart Gardner	Bruce McInnes	Jessica Bettess
02/12/19	Gil Hopkins	Eh Doh Jah	Jamie Parfett	Adam Shields
09/12/19	David Pratt	Pam Pratt	Rob Jess	Daniel Doherty
16/12/19	Roger MacInnes	Deb MacInnes	Brendan Dunn	Peter Dunn

BRIMPAEN FIRE BRIGADE TRUCK ROSTER

Date	Tanker 1 Brimpaen		Tanker 3 Brimpaen		Tanker 2 Glenisla	
05/10/19	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	
12/10/19	Peter McGennisken	Ra McGennisken	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
19/10/19	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French
26/10/19		Kerry Anne & Tristan Chincarini	Dean Winfield	Maggie Winfield Bailey Pilgrim	Rod Miller	Sue, Alana & Will Miller
02/11/19	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt	Steve Price	Gerard Matthews	Luke Barber	Laura Anderson
09/11/19	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	
16/11/19	Peter McGennisken	Ra McGennisken	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
23/11/19	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French
30/11/19		Kerry Anne & Tristan Chincarini	Dean Winfield	Maggie Winfield Bailey Pilgrim		Sue, Alana & Will Miller
07/12/19	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt	Steve Price	Gerard Matthews	Luke Barber	Laura Anderson
14/12/19	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	

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: October - December 2019

October			
Tuesday	1	10am-3pm	Brimpaen Craft Club – Brimpaen Hall
Sunday	13	9-11am	Wonwondah Hall working bee
Tuesday	15	7.30pm	Wonwondah Landcare Group – Guest's dairy
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Friday	18	evening	Laharum Primary School Trivia/Silent Auction – Cameron Oval Clubrooms
Thursday	24	12-2pm	Leading Change – Gender & Disaster Management lunch – Horsham Town Hall
ű	24	6.30pm	Australasian Women in Emergency AWE Networking dinner – baa 3400, Baillie Street
Friday	25	9.30am-3pm	Wonwondah Sit & Sew – Wonwondah Hall
"	25	9.30am-3pm	Lessons in Disaster – Coughlin Park Community Centre, Horsham
Sunday	27	daytime	Wonwondah Fleece & Flower Show – Wonwondah Hall
Tuesday	29	6.30pm	Laharum Football Netball Club AGM - Clubrooms
November			
Tuesday	5	daytime	Brimpaen Craft Club – 167 Rosebrook-Glenisla Road, Wartook
Sunday	10	10am-12noon	Wartook & Laharum Community Day – The Wander Inn
Tuesday	12	1.15pm	'Flies, Lies & Black Cockatoo Pies' - Church of Christ, 91 River Road, Horsham
"	12	7.30pm	Laharum Landcare Group AGM – Laharum Hall
Thursday	21	7.30pm	Local Vocals – Laharum Hall
Friday	22	6.30pm	Laharum Landcare Group Christmas break up – The Wander Inn
Wednesday	30	1.30-3.30pm	Fox bounty collection – 180 Horsham-Noradjuha Road, Horsham
December			
Tuesday	3	daytime	Brimpaen Craft Club – Brimpaen Hall
Thursday	12	evening	Laharum Primary School Billy Tea Bush Band end-of-year celebration
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Australian Pulse Conference – Tues-Thurs October 15-17

Veggie Swaps – Sundays October 13, November 10, December 8

Mobile Library - Thursdays October 10, 24, November 7, 21, December 5, 19 from 9.30am, Laharum Primary School





Laharum Primary School students at Zumsteins learning about platypus from Josh Griffiths



Image shows how Horsham Regional Livestock Exchange will look after roof covering



Ceramic platypus made by Laharum Primary School students



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Best & Fairest Awards – Mitch Horwood, Senior football & Caitlin Story, A Grade Netball

Laharum netballers at the presentation night



Unsung Hero Award, in memory of Michele Mibus, went to Shannon Arnott for her outstanding contribution to the netball season and Meg Carter for her support to netball



Footballers celebrating end of season



English imports for Laharum 2019/2020 Cricket season Anthony Molloy and Adam Barber

