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### FILL THE GAP

WRAP UP...

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#### FROM THE GARIWERD SIX SEASONS CALENDAR



gwangal moronn season of honey bees - autumn (late march to june)

Sunrises, Bees and Flocking Birds Autumn (the season of native honey bees or gwangal moronn) is when the country starts to cool down after the summer heat.



Congratulations to Tanisha Lovett who was a finalist in the Melbourne Studio of Art Young Artist Award category of the 7News Young Achiever Awards 2019. Tanisha was able to share her achievement with her family and friends at a gala night at the Flemington Racecourse, Melbourne. Tanisha felt a winner by being in the top three in her category. Thanks to everyone who voted for Tanisha for the peoples choice award.

#### **STATS BY CHAS...**

158.5mm for May bringing the progressive total for 2019 to 225.0mm. This compared to the same period last year of 122.5mm for May with a progressive total of 221.5mm. As of the 29th of May Lake Bellfield is holding 52,940ML or 67% full compared to the same period last year of 61,220ML or 78% full.The total system is holding 191,610ML or 34.20% full compared to the same period last year of 256,630ML or 45.80%

full.

Mount William received 196.2mm for May. This compares to the same period last year of 157.6mm. The highest temperature of 13.5 C was recorded on the 23rd of May and the lowest of -2.1C was recorded on the 30th of May. The highest wind speed of 111 km/h was recorded on the 10th of May.

# Step back in time...

Rather topical photo of Stony Creek Bridge in the 70's. A far cry from all the works going on at the moment (including traffic lights).



Produced by the Community Association & Budja Budja Neighbourhood House.



We'd like to say a big **THANKYOU** to our community for all your help to make it so successful again!

So lucky the rain held off till at least two hours after pack down. We saw the most beautiful sunrise and sunny skies..

We've had another big event, 961 participants, and we are so very grateful of all the support the event and our committee of organisers, receive.

To all our lovely volunteers, young and a little older who help keep event weekend running smoothly, some, for all of our eight years. Our little local Primary School, our neighbouring friends and local businesses who support. The friends and friends of friends, all of your time and actions.

Generally. this is typical of the message from participants: A great event. I loved it. Beautiful course, very friendly volunteers and runners. And that buffet breakfast is spot on.

**THANKYOU** to our local community participants, runners, walkers, and everyone in any way connected help to keep the event in action and growing! We still get excited to see it come together and to realise how well supported the event is.

Part funds raised are locked away to support NGSC to complete the Tymna Dve boardwalk section (we are pushing for assistance in funding to complete). further funds raised are to help gain shared Gov. funding, with NGSC and RTG to enablenext projected bike paths.

If you have accommodation, next year's date is set for **24 May 2020.** Feel free to send us a message if

you have any feedback that may help us. From our entire committee, thanks again!



#### HALLS GAP RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Residents and Ratepayers Assoc will be held on Wednesday June 5th, 7.30 in the supper room of the Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### **RUBBISH BIN ISSUE**

Due to the problems with Cocky's getting into the domestic bins, we have organised with the Council (still to be confirmed) for a "pot" of money to buy a quantity of the rubber straps to "cocky proof" the bins.

When we have the straps we will notify all, as to where they may be purchased. The seed money from the Council will enable us to make enough profit to purchase a second quantity and so be self -funding. If a business offers to handle the project, then the cost may be a little higher to cover their time and effort.

Any enquiries may be directed to Paul Turner 0418 992510.

#### **Paul Turner**

We are hoping that council may cover the cost of these straps to ensure this problem gets widely addressed. Also of note is the proposal in council's budget for

2019/2020 to purchase 20 "ebins" - the compactor bins that can handle 6 -8 times the amount of rubbish (and are more cocky proof) - for placement around central Halls Gap **Jason** 



#### LOCAL VOLUNTEERS RECOGNISED

On Friday 17 May Horsham's Centre for Participation held a great evening in the town hall to recognise volunteers and promote volunteering. I was there because I had been nominated in the Landcare section for my contribution to Friends of Grampians Gariwerd and our Botanic Garden. To my delight I



was not the only local nominated in various categories. My section was won by John Pye of Project Platypus, and I was one of two runners up.

Jalluka Landcare was a finalist in the group category. (They are working to restore grasslands abutting the Park, and also supplying our Botanic Garden with plants). Ex-local Tim Shaw was rewarded for his work mentoring troubled youth. One of the biggest winners of the

night was the Nhill Aviation Museum. Although his name wasn't mentioned from the stage, one hardworking volunteer there is Halls Gap's Neil Thomas. Joy Robson and I happened to be seated with John Deckert of Nhill and he told us of Neil's hard work over many years.

So although Horsham centred, the contribution of volunteers in this district was celebrated. We felt honoured.

Our small group of volunteers has taken advantage

#### **BOTANIC GARDEN NEWS**

of the rain to do some planting. Let's hope we get good follow up rain. Projects over the next month will include quite a bit of tree felling of potentially dangerous trees, plus at last the furniture for the shade shelter. Our regular working bees are on the second Wednesday of the month, but several of us are quite often there on a Thursday afternoon as well. So the next working bee is June 12, any time after 10 am.

#### MARKET IN HALLS GAP

#### The New Halls Gap Community Market

#### 3rd Sunday each month (Closed July & August) 8:30am - 1pm

#### Halls Gap Hall Main Street (next to Caltex)

Thank you to everyone who came along to support our relaunched Market in Halls Gap. We had 15 stalls including a couple of brand new stallholders.

We are looking forward to seeing you all again for our June Market on the 3rd Sunday (June 16th), this will be our final market before the Winter break.

We have 24 stalls booked in so far... Offering handmade crafts, plants, books, treats for the home, Rawleighs, Health & Wellbeing, Jams & Cordials & lots more.

Market Cafe will be open 8:30am -12pm for breakfast or light lunch.

New Stallholders welcome to join the Market. If you or someone you know would like to join in please give us a call 1300 658 916 option 2.

Follow The New Halls Gap Community Market on Facebook @newhgcm & checkout the Online Market <u>amacoreau.com</u>

Thank you for your support & look forward to seeing you all soon.

#### Lillian & Clive

The New Halls Gap Community Market Managers.

#### SENIORS LUNCHEON

Stawell senior citizens hold a luncheon on 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Senior Citizens Hall, 9 Victoria Street, Stawell commencing at 12noon.

Cost of luncheon is \$10 pp which includes soup, roast & vegetables, sweets and fruit platter. Attendees need to be members of the Stawell Senior citizens, cost \$5 for 12 month membership.

### World No Tobacco Day 31 May

Budja Budja held a World No Tobacco Day event on Tuesday the 21 at their Neighbourhood house. World No Tobacco Day is a world Health Organisation initiative held annually to raise awareness of the harmful effects of tobacco use and second-hand smoke exposure, and to discourage the use of tobacco in any form.

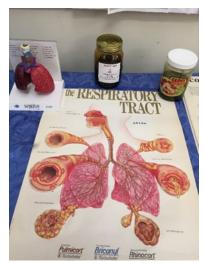
The Focus of World No Tobacco Day 2019 is on "**tobacco and lung health**" clients started by enjoying healthy snacks supplied by Amanda the Dietitian from Stawell Regional Health, as many find they want to eat more when attempting to quit cigarettes.

Budja Budja Health and Wellbeing worker Michelle talked about techniques for distractions when quitting smoking and demonstrated with everyone heading to the garden to plant seedlings and a native bush for attracting birds. Jade physiotherapist from Stawell Regional Health demonstrated breathing techniques to increase exercise tolerance. Clients then looked at model lungs and talked further about the benefits of quitting smoking on the lungs.

Budja Budja is committed to helping people quit and can assist with our trained Nurses to provide support and assistance with quitting, and with the Clinic set in the beautiful Grampians we also encourage people to think about the environment when they butt out.







For more information on quitting or support Call Budja Budja Medical Centre on 5356 4751 or the Quitline on 137848





### **BUDJA BUDJA MEDICAL CLINIC**

20-22 Grampians Road, Halls Gap 3381

### PH: 03 53564751

www.budjabudjacoop.org.au

June 2019	July 2019	August 2019	
Dr David Appleton	<u>Dr Carol Head</u>	<u>TBA</u>	
4,5,6,7	2,3,4,5	1,2	
11,12,13,14	9,10,11,12		
		DR Carol Head	
<u>TBA</u>	<u>Dr Terence Heng</u>		
18,19,20,21	16,17,18,19	6,7,8,9	
	23,24,25,26	13,14,15,16	
<u>Dr Peter Macisaac</u>		20,21,22,23,	
25,26,27,28	<u>TBA</u>	27,28,29,30	
	30,31		



Call in for a yarn with one of our friendly Quit Skill Nurses

STAWELL SENIORS FESTIVAL 2019

# Save the Date!

# Featuring Guest Artist Jefferson Smith

Wednesday 9 October 2019 Show starts at 2pm, followed by a light afternoon tea

Bookings Essential: from 8 September onwards at Customer Experience 5358 8700 or walk into shire office for booking









SINCE 1997

Halls Gap Market

HALLS GAP PRIMARY SCHOOL

This month the Grade 3 and 5 students from Halls Gap Primary School completed NAPLAN and did their very best. They participated in Writing, Reading, Spelling and Mathematics tests.

Costa, Paul and Rebecca from ResourceSmart Schools visited to talk about our impact on the environment. We are also looking forward to getting our bracelets that symbolise we are involved in the program.

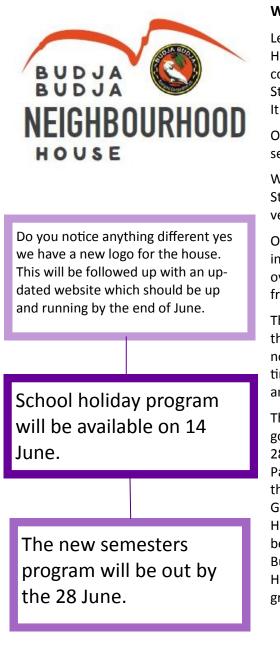
The Grade 6 students have also recently received their new Grade 6 polo shirts. They are looking particularly smart in their new threads!



Don't forget to come along and support our local school on **Sunday 9th June 2019 from 9am to 1pm in the school grounds.** 

This outdoor market features home grown, home made arts, crafts, clothes and produce. School parents serve hot and cold refreshments along with a barbecue featuring delicious egg and bacon rolls. All proceeds go to the Halls Gap Primary School.

Next Market: Melbourne Cup Weekend – 3rd November



#### What a big month May has been at the House.

Lee-Anne & Alison attended their very first Neighbourhood House Conference. Very interesting and we made some great contacts. Neighbourhood House week was celebrated with Stawell, Ararat and Budja Budja having a open day at Stawell NH. It was well attended.

Our community event for May was our Biggest Morning Tea—see right for details.

We have had the Pomonal & Halls Gap Playgroup enjoying Storytime and generally have a fun play. Tai Chi continues to be very popular with our wonderful teacher Tim.

Our sewing sessions with Jodi is proving very instructional including assistance in the use of your sewing machine/ overlocker. These sessions run on the second and forth Tuesday from 10am-12noon.

The yarn group meets 1.30pm on Thursdays have a lot of fun. At the moment participants are wanting to learn crochet. But it is not just crochet it is any form of yarn work. This is the perfect time of year to grab your yarn and hook/needles and come down and join us at the house.

The walking group finally got underway on Friday 28th when Alison, Chris and Pam had a delightful walk to the Halls Gap Community Garden and then onto the Halls Gap Botanical Garden before heading back to the Budja Budja Neighbourhood House. Gentle walking group from 9.30am on Fridays.







#### Zena's tasty banana bread.

Each year as a mother daughter tradition, Tammi and her mum host an Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

"Seeing all our friends and family enjoying themselves and catching up with each other over tea and delicious cakes (inclusive of my grandmother Zena's famous banana bread), always puts a smile on our faces. It's our way of honouring my grandparents and playing our part in changing the future of cancer for generations to come".

#### Ingredients

- Canola oil spray
- 90 ml of coconut, olive or canola oil
- 2 cups wholemeal self raising flour
- 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
- 1 teaspoon ground mixed spice
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 cup reduced fat milk
- 2 eggs
- 2 large ripe bananas, mashed

To register to host your Australia's Biggest Morning Tea this May visit **biggestmorningtea.com.au** or call **1300 65 65 85** 



- Preheat the oven to 200°C
  Beat oil and sugar together
- with electric beater
- 3. Add beaten eggs to the cream mixture
- Mix flour, baking powder, mixed spice and salt separately
- Add liquid to the flour mix
  Dissolve bicarb soda in milk
- and add to mixture
- Add bananas to mixture
  Pour into a standard loaf
- baking tray9. Bake for 45 minutes
- 10. Enjoy with a cuppa



ustralia's Biggest Morning Tea Host.

#### BIGGEST MORNING TEA AT BUDJA BUDJA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

A big thank you to all those who came along and generously provided delicious baked goods to eat or opened your wallet to help us raise \$287 for cancer research.

27 locals and overseas visitors arrived to a warm welcome. There was much laughter, catching up and a few fun games just for fun.

Placing the cherry on top of the pancake was contested hotly. With the winner taking home a block of chocolate.



If you are between the ages of 10-18 and have always wanted to learn to knit of crochet. Budja Budja Neighbourhood House will be running classes on Thursday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. These will commence from 18th July 2019 until the 19th September 2019.

> BUDJA BUDJA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE RNNK SWΔP



COMMUNITY ROOM 20-22 GRAMPIANS ROAD TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY FROM 9AM-3PM THURSDAY 9AM-4PM



#### **BUS SERVICES FROM HALLS GAP**

#### V Line Timetable, Halls Gap to and from the World—from Halls Gap (Monday – Friday)

#### To Stawell, Ararat, Melbourne or Horsham, Adelaide

7-40am - (School Days only) arrive Stawell 8-10am, arrive Ararat 8-40am.

Connects to Horsham from Stawell at 11-25am.

Connects to Melbourne from Stawell at 10-15am.

4-20pm – (School Days only) arrive Stawell at 4-45pm.

Connect to Horsham from Stawell at 5-15pm, arr. Horsham 6-03pm, Pimpinio at 6-18pm & Dimboola at 6-35pm

#### MONDAY TO FRIDAY (Except Public Holidays)

9-30am – Departs Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 9-30 am (Picks up at Lakeside Caravan Park at 8-33am, Lake Bellfield at 8-35am, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 8-41am, Halls Gap VIC at 9-30am, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 9-31am, Grampians Garden Caravan Park / Pomonal Road at 9-35am arriving at Stawell at 10-05am.

Connects to Southern Cross Station from Stawell at 10-15am.

Connects to Horsham & Adelaide from Stawell at 11-25am arr. Horsham at 12-15pm & Adelaide at 6-50pm

Connects to the Overland Train to Adelaide on Tuesdays from Stawell at 11-40am

Connects to the Overland Train to Melbourne on Monday / Friday from Stawell at 3-11pm.

Connects to Rupanyup at 3-32pm arriving at 4-18pm.

3-25pm – Departs Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 3-25pm (Picks up at Lakeside Caravan Park at 3-13pm, Lake Bellfield at 3-15pm, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 3-21pm, Halls Gap VIC at 3-25pm, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 3-26pm, Grampians Garden Caravan Park / Pomonal Road at 3-30pm arriving at Stawell at 4pm.

Connects to Melbourne from Stawell at 4-10pm, arriving at Southern Cross at 7-27pm.

Connects to Horsham from Stawell at 5-15pm, arr. Horsham 6-03pm, Pimpinio 6-18pm & Dimboola at 6-35pm.

#### WARRNAMBOOL to Halls Gap to ARARAT

Tuesday and Friday – departs Halls Gap at 10-56am, arriving at Ararat at 11-35am.

Connects to Southern Cross Station at 12-26pm arriving at 2-40pm.

Connects to Horsham at 12-16pm arriving at 1-35pm.

Connects to Rupanyup at 3-06pm arriving at 4-18pm.

#### ARARAT to Halls Gap to WARRNAMBOOL

Tuesday and Friday – departs Halls Gap at 3-49pm, arriving at Dunkeld at 4-35pm, Hamilton at 5-15pm, Port Fairy at 6-21pm and Warrnambool at 6-50pm.

#### From Halls Gap (Saturday)

8-10am – departs Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 8-10am (Picks up at Lakeside Caravan Park at 7-48am, Lake Bellfield at 7-50am, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 7-56am, Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 8-10am, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 8-11am, Grampians Garden Caravan Park / Pomonal Road at 8-15am arriving at Stawell at 8-45am.

Connects to Southern Cross Station at 8-55am arriving at 12-40pm.

Connects to Horsham / Adelaide at 11-25am via Rupanyup arr. at Horsham at 12-43pm & Adelaide at 6-50pm

Connects to the Overland train to Adelaide at11-40am arriving at 5-40pm.

2-35pm – Departs Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 2-35pm (Picks up at Lakeside Caravan Park at 2-23pm, Lake Bellfield at 2-25pm, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 2-31pm, Halls Gap VIC at 2-35pm, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 2-36pm, Grampians Garden Caravan Park / Pomonal Road at 2-40pm arriving at Stawell at 3-10pm.

Connects to Southern Cross Station at 3-25pm arriving at 6-40pm.

Connects to Horsham at 3-42pm arriving at 4-32pm.

#### Connects to Nhill at 9-10pm arriving at 11-23pm.From Halls Gap (Sunday)

9-30am – Departs Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 9-30 am (Picks up at Lakeside Caravan Park at 9-03am, Lake Bellfield at 9-05am, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 9-11am, Halls Gap VIC at 9-30am, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 9-31 am, Grampians Gardens Caravan Park / Pomonal Road at 9-35am arriving at Stawell at 10-05am.

Connects to Southern Cross Station at 10-15am arriving at 1-40pm.

Connects to Horsham / Adelaide arriving in Horsham at 12-43pm, Adelaide at 6-50pm.

2-35pm – Departs from the Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre at 2-35pm (Picks up at Lakeside Caravan Park at 2-23pm, Lake Bellfield at 2-25pm, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 2-31pm, Halls Gap VIC at 2-35pm, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 2-36pm, Grampians Gardens Caravan Park / Pomonal Road at 2-40pm arriving at Stawell at 3-10pm.

Connects to Southern Cross Station at 3-18pm arriving at 6-40pm.

Connects to Horsham at 9-10pm arriving at 10-30pm.

#### Connects to Rupanyup at 3-32pm arriving at 4-18pm. WARRNAMBOOL to Halls Gap to ARARAT

Sunday – departs Halls Gap at 11-16am, arriving at Ararat at 11-55am.

Connects to Southern Cross Station at 4-10pm arriving at 6-40pm.

Connects to Horsham at 8-45pm arriving at 10-30pm.

Connects to Rupanyup at 3-06pm arriving at 4-18pm.

#### **ARARAT to Halls Gap to WARRNAMBOOL**

Sunday – departs Halls Gap at 3-49pm, arriving at Dunkeld at 4-35pm, Hamilton at 5-15pm, Port Fairy at 6-21pm and Warrnambool at 6-50pm.

#### **BUSES ARIVING INTO HALLS GAP FROM THE WORLD**

**4-20pm** School bus arrives from Ararat departing at 3pm, Stawell departing at 3-50pm via Pomonal arriving at Halls Gap at 4-20pm (School days only).

#### **MONDAY TO FRIDAY (Except Public Holidays)**

**8-25am** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 8-25am (Arrives at Grampians Garden Caravan Park Pomonal Road at 8-15am, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 8-19am, Halls Gap VIC at 8-25am, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 8-29am, Lakeside Caravan Park at 8-33am, Lake Bellfield at 8-35am ).

**1-35pm** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 1-35pm (Arrives at Grampians Garden Caravan Park Pomonal Road at 1-15pm, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 1-19pm, Halls Gap VIC at 1-35pm, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 1-29pm, Lakeside Caravan Park at 1-33pm, Lake Bellfield at 1-35pm ).

#### These buses connect with buses from Melbourne and Adelaide and places enroute.

#### **TUESDAY AND FRIDAY**

**10-56am** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre (Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 10-57am). Bus from Warrnambool, Port Fairy, Hamilton, Dunkeld ). This bus travels onto Ararat via Pomonal and Moyston and connects to buses and trains to Melbourne and Adelaide and places enroute.

**3-49pm** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre (Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 3-48pm). Bus departs from Ararat at 3-10pm and travels via Moyston, Pomonal. This bus service continues on to Dunkeld, Hamilton, Port Fairy and terminates at Warrnambool at 6-50pm.

#### SATURDAY

**7-40am** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 7-40am (Grampians Gardens Caravan Park Pomonal Road at 7-30am, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 7-34am, Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 7-40am, Brambuk Aboriginal Cutural Centre at 7-44am, Lakeside Caravan Park at 7-48am, Lake Bellfield at 7-50am ).

12-10pm – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 12-10pm (Arrives at Grampians Garden Caravan Park Pomonal Road at 12 noon, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 12-04pm, Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 12-10pm, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 12-14pm, Lakeside Caravan Park at 12-18pm, Lake Bellfield at 12-20pm ).

#### These buses connect with buses from Adelaide and Melbourne and places enroute.

#### SUNDAY

**8-55am** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 8-55am (Grampians Garden Caravan Park at 8-45am, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 8-49am, Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 8-55am, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 8-59am, Lakeside Caravan Park at 9-03am, Lake Bellfield at 9-05am ).

**12-10pm** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 12-10pm (Grampians Garden Caravan Park Pomonal Road at 12 noon, Recreation Reserve / Tim's Placed at 12-04, Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre at 12-10pm, Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre at 12-14pm, Lakeside Caravan Park at 12-18pm, Lake Bellfield at 12-20pm ).

#### These buses connect with Adelaide and Melbourne and places enroute.

**11-16am** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre (Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 11-17am). Bus from Warrnambool, Port Fairy, Hamilton, Dunkeld). This bus travels through Pomonal, Moyston and terminates at Ararat. Connects to trains and buses to Melbourne and Adelaide and places enroute.

**3-49pm** – Arrives at Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre (Recreation Reserve / Tim's Place at 3-48pm). Bus departs from Ararat at 3-10pm and travels via Moyston, Pomonal. This bus service continues on to Dunkeld, Hamilton, Port Fairy and terminates at Warrnambool at 6-50pm.

#### HALLS GAP VALLEY FLOOR SERVICE

There are **now 2 daily services between Lake Bellfield and Grampians Garden Caravan Park Pomonal Road servicing all stops enroute.** There is an additional daily afternoon service between Halls Gap HUB Visitor Information Centre and Lake Bellfield.

Time tables can be obtained from the Halls Gap Visitor Information Centre 53614444 or Sandlants Bus Company 53569342 or 53582848.

Thanks to Tim Walsh in exploring the weird and wonderful world of public transport timetabling and providing this the following information.





The Grampians Film Society evenings are held from January to November. The doors open at 7pm and screenings commence at 7.30pm. Drinks and nibbles are served prior to the film and a light supper is served afterwards.

Membership is only \$45 annually, \$25 half-year or \$15 for three consecutive months. Contact Janet Witham 03 5356 4300 or Alison Bainbridge 0417 883 445 for more information.

Come along and enjoy viewing, being entertained and discussing the merits of films we screen. We endeavour to cater for a variety of tastes as well as have a fun social night.

# Screening Date:Wednesday 26 June 2019 at 7.30pmScreening:Stawell Neighbourhood House, 42 Sloane Street, StawellFilm:The Imitation Game, 2014 UK – Drama based on a true story

In 1939, newly created British intelligence agency MI6 recruits Cambridge mathematics alumnus Alan Turing (Benedict Cumberbatch) to crack Nazi codes, including Enigma -- which cryptanalysts had thought unbreakable. Turing's team, including Joan Clarke (Keira Knightley), analyze Enigma messages while he builds a machine to decipher them. Turing and team finally succeed and become heroes, but in 1952, the quiet genius encounters disgrace when authorities reveal he is gay and sends him to prison.





Halls Gap Ambulance has been kept busy with numerous jobs around the area. We were blessed with a quieter Easter period which was great.

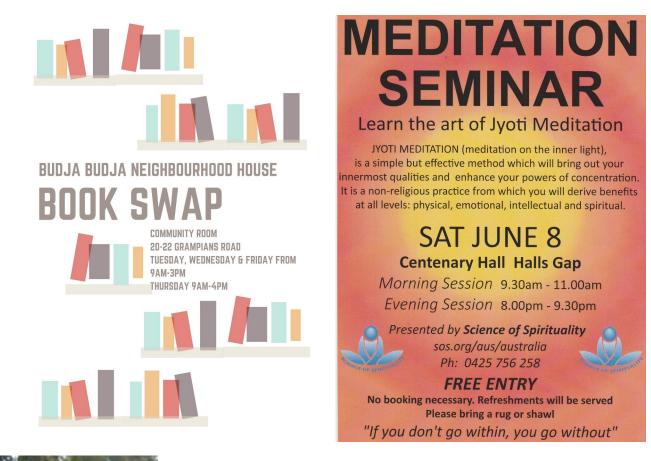
Some exciting news for Halls Gap Ambulance is that Braeden and some Stawell paramedics are preparing for Wilderness training, they get to go bush in the Grampians and navigate their way around for a few days while carrying a 20kg pack. This course is usually not available for ACOs (Ambulance Community Officers) but with Braeden's knowledge of the Grampians National Park he will be a credit to the Wilderness Crew.

The upgrades to the station to meet Ambulance Victoria Standards is nearly complete, we just need some extra lighting out the front of the station. We would like to say a huge thank you to the Halls Gap CFA for putting up with the changes that have been made.

Lastly, thanks to all our ACO members! Some of these guys and girls live out of town and sit around Halls Gap for the day so that the town has coverage. To volunteer to fill a roster 24/7 is a huge ask as we only get paid when we attend a job.

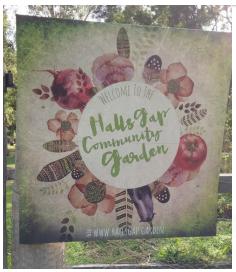
Take care everyone,

Kerry Linke Halls Gap Ambulance Team Leader.





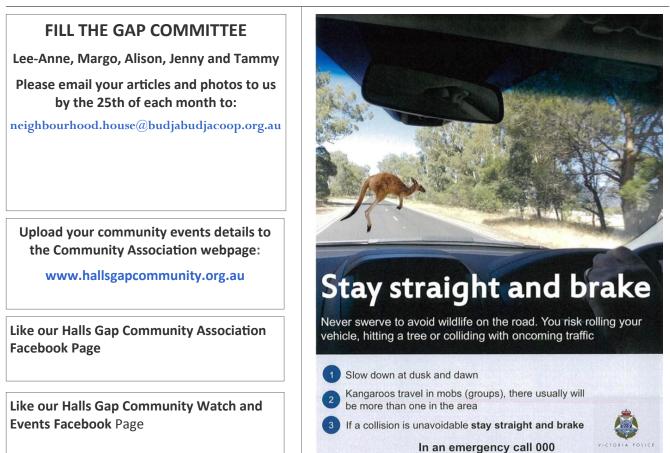
**CATS:** A local bylaw of the Northern Grampians totally bans the keeping of any cat in Halls Gap. This is for the protection of local indigenous fauna, those we recognise and those less visible, such as bandicoots and gliders. So if you see any cats in the area please let the Shire or the national park know.



## Free for all Locals

Have you checked out our community garden lately. We are looking for more volunteers to help with the weeding and watering.

Kellie Soule from the Grampians YHA has volunteered to co-ordinate the Community Garden. For all enquiries, contact her on 5356 4544 or 0448 371 189 or at grampians@yha.com.au



A 6-year-old was asked where his grandma lived. "Oh," he said, "she lives at the airport, and when we want her, we just go get her. Then, when we're done having her visit, we take her back to the airport."



#### **Regular Events**

- Chas Mangle Justice of the Peace is available for witnessing documents in the History Room at the Centennial Hall most days except Tuesdays from 1pm - 5 pm. Ph. 0439 837 052
- Budja Budja Neighbourhood House check the program at the house and online
- Check Social Coffee catch-ups at Brambuk 11am on the first Tuesday of the month.
- Various sport/fitness groups. Check the community website for details



The Halls Gap History Room in the Centennial Hall is open most days except Tuesday from 1PM - 5PM.Locals and visitors are most welcome and there is no entry fee.