



November 2023

Save the date

STAG Community Consultation Day

On Sunday 19th November

All Community members of the Strathbogie Tablelands are invited to contribute to the Actions for the:-

Strathbogie Tablelands Action Plan

We will have a facilitator to lead attendees through discussion to develop and prioritise actions, as some actions are complimentary to others, so bundling and time span are relevant.

For instance, we note there is considerable difference between previous suggestions and current ideas, also some ongoing ideas. There has been significant success in achieving positive outcomes from these actions. Do we class these as being completed or a need for further development.

All your ideas put forward from 2022 AGM and recent Values Statement will be discussed further to start authoring the STAG document. These ideas will be collated by the facilitator.

We all need the STAG Action plan document to enable the committees on the Tablelands to apply for funding.

So

Your Input is greatly needed and appreciated. If you have contributed ideas previously. please come along and share your vision to further develop them into reality.

Pennie Beard, STAG Assistant Secretary

What's On

Nov 3—7 Strathbogie Cup Weekend Festival see p10

Nov 4 Boho Sth Car Boot Sale see p10

Nov 11 & 12 Yea & District Open Gardens see p10

Nov 19 STAG Community Consultation Day

Dec 9 Kelvin View Christmas Party see p7

Every Last Saturday of the month - Strathbogie Golf Club Community Meals.

Every First Monday of the month - Strathbogie Tableland History Group meets 1.30pm, Strathbogie Memorial Hall. strathbogiehistory@gmail.com

Every Second Wednesday of the month - Strathbogie Memorial Hall Committee meets 7pm in the Soldiers Room. Enq Mary Wynne 0419 592 211

Every Wednesday - Material Girls - usual times 10am - Rec Ground - BYO lunch. Newcomers welcome Ph: Jill Smith 5790 5159.

Every Wednesday - 7.30pm Strathbogie Singing Group - St Andrews Church Ph: Di Mackrell 5790 5241

Every Second and Fourth Sunday Church service at St Andrews Church - Strathbogie 11.00am

Every First Wednesday of the month - 1.30pm Strathbogie Garden Group. Co-ordinator Kay Righetti 0418 171 439

Every Fourth Saturday of the month - Australian Plants Society Group meeting Pete 0402 882 959

Every Third Sunday 10am STAG Committee at the Hall. All welcome.

Tennis at the Recreation Reserve. Enquiries about social tennis: contact Secretary Mayra Walsh 0423 475 564

Euroa Cinema

Acarras M Nov 3 8pm, Nov 4 4pm
Scrapper PG Nov 4 8pm, Nov 5 4pm
The Miracle Club PG Nov 11 8pm, Nov 12 4pm
The Greatest Showman PG Nov 18 8pm, Nov 19 4pm
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Our community newsletter relies on community contributions to publish. We are all about sharing and enjoying Tableland stories and activities. Send us your local tall tales and true, photos and sketches, community and business advertisements. We love to hear from community members of all ages. See email below >>>>

For information regarding the Violet Town Village Voice or to get an emailed copy each month contact Abbey Ferguson at villagevoice@violettown.org.au online at www.violettown.org.au

Jokes of the Month

During the last New Year celebrations police arrested 2 people. One for drinking battery acid and the other for letting off fire crackers. They charged one and let the other one off.

An Englishman, a Scotsman, an Irishman, a Latvian, a Turk, an Aussie, a Yank, an Egyptian, a Jap, a Mexican, a Spaniard, a Greek, a Russian, an Estonian, a Pole, a German, an Italian, a Swede, a Finn and a Serb all went into a nightclub.....
 The Bouncer said, "I can't let you in without a Thai!"

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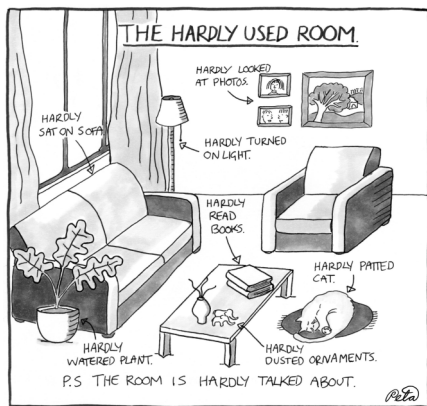
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The TT Team

Cartoon by Peta Manning



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Every 2nd Saturday



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The Deadline for the December edition of Tableland Talk is Monday, November 27, 2023.

e: tablelandtalk@gmail.com, m: 0400 019 607

Preferred formats: Word or Publisher files, font Arial 11, convert pdf to jpeg, images <250k. TT Team.

STAG Report

The new 2023/2024 STAG Committee had our first meeting on Sunday 22nd October. It was well attended.

(An article follows with committee member names and some information about them. There will be more next month.)

Lisa Duggan gave us a report on the upcoming 'Strathbogie Cup Weekend festival'. All 4 days have fantastic events for everyone.

Mark Tame requested we communicate the appreciation of the good work done on the Boho Harrys Creek Road intersection and importantly the urgency to repair the Harrys Creek Rd bend where it is dangerously broken away.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday 19th November. It will be a Community Consultation meeting to finalise the Action Plan. See the front page for details.

Pennie Beard STAG Assistant Secretary

2023/2024 STAG committee members.

STAG President - just to introduce myself as new chair of STAG.

Adrian Beard

I grew up at Caniambo, just the other side of Violet Town, on an Angus Stud, owned by Malcolm Cameron from Ruffy. My father was manager. I continued as assistant manager.

After the devastating 1982 drought, I purchased a small cropping property (with water) at Cosgrove, which I improved and sold in 1990. I was looking to expand but more acreage at Cosgrove was expensive, so I looked further afield to Griffith, where farming properties were very cheap. Because of the Donald Mackay murder, and the Mafia, no one wanted to live there. I purchased a 600-acre irrigation property near Griffith in the Riverina Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area where I grew, at different times, rice, corn, soybeans, cotton and wheat. But always Angus cattle.

While farming there we, the farmers, tried to stop the deregulation of irrigation, but people with deeper pockets than us and the powers that be, won the battle, so, the destruction of regulated irrigation began. (very touchy subject)

My wife, Pennie was originally from Gillieston, near Kyabram. We first met as 17-year-olds when Pennie and her family moved to Caniambo. We socialised quite a lot but went our separate ways until later. In 1997 Pennie moved up to the farm with her 2 kids, Andrew and Holly.

In 2015 we came to inspect this property with Pennie's sister and husband. We were shown the house with 2 hectares. It didn't suit them but, we went home to Griffith and kept thinking about it. After some time, we noticed it also had 132 acres attached so we came back. The agent took us to the top of the hill, where the views are just spectacular. The decision was made to live here, so we went back and proceeded to sell the farm at Griffith. We purchased this property in August 2016 and moved here in June 2017.

The idea was to retire (joke) to our current property at Strathbogie, where we continue to run Angus cattle and a few thoroughbred horses. We have since bought more land in the area. So, our herd has grown from 40 to 140 cows. The cows calve in the spring, which are then grown out to be sold from June to December the following year.

I'm pleased to be involved in STAG and the hall committee. I hope that our skills and experiences can be a positive for the community. Strathbogie Tablelands is a great place to live. We have a very vibrant community with lots of potential to thrive.

I'm very pleased to be home to the area I grew up in.

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- Lifts / rides / car shares
- Requests for assistance
- Offers of assistance
- Local job advertisements
- Lost / missing animals or people!

- Announcements of social activities / get-togethers
- Fire sightings / road washouts
- Any other thing you might want to contact other Tablelanders about
- Information on your local business or service

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To learn more or join Strathbogie-Tree, please send an email to Stuart on stuartb446@gmail.com or call on 0422 408 915



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Henry O'Connor

Treasurer

The Treasurer of STAG is Henry who lives in Brookleigh Road and has a background in the Merino sheep/commercial printing industries. More recently a part time bus/coach driver and partly retired. He is kept busy in retirement wine grape growing while trying to produce a drinkable drop and a fondness for all things nature brings.

Mark Tame

STAG Vice President

Alison Angus preferred name Alli. Secretary

I've lived at Boho South for the past 2 1/2 years. I'm a passionate advocate of small rural and regional communities, having lived in a variety of these communities all over Australia.

Like Joel I also work in Local Government, however my specialty is the Visitor Economy sector which covers Tourism and Events. In my spare time (which there isn't much) I also run farmstay accommodation at our property. Check out www.ashlanfarm.com.au

Pennie Beard

Assistant Secretary

As well as helping my husband Adrian run our farm, I am also an experienced horsewoman. I am on the Hall Committee, a member of the Strathbogie Singers, the local church and book club. We live on Euroa Strathbogie Road Kithbrook.

Stuart Bridgman

After about 40 years working in the property industry and having spent the last few of those years mostly managing and mentoring younger property professionals, I retired and moved to Boho South with my partner Kath Handasyde.

We built our house as owner builders, enjoying the whole project.

Now I run Strathbogie Tree and am on the Emergency subcommittee and the Communications subcommittee of STAG.

Jim McAlister

Having retired from the Insurance Industry, my partner and I moved to the area 5 years ago from Adelaide. We live on 30 acres near Polly McQuinn's weir. Our neighbour running sheep on the property.

I have a recently gained interest in reading books, am an active member of the Strathbogie Golf Club and volunteer at the Club a couple of days per week.

Joel Ingham.

Location: McCombe Road, Creek Junction

Work: I work as a Town Planner for Local Government.

Skills: Sound knowledge of Town Planning regulations and associated legislation. Negotiating practical outcomes.

Ability to liaise with all levels of government and other stakeholders, including community.

Interests: No time for interests, to busy working to fund the money pit (property)

Dave McCombe

Bill Webb

Kath Handasyde

What's worth reading on www.strathbogie.org?

Check out the local emergency information page for where to go and what to do at:

www.strathbogie.org/?page_id=410

You will find information on

[Strathbogie Tableland Bushfire Information Summary](#)

[Strathbogie Township Protection Plan](#)

[My Personal Fire Plan](#)

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AFTER THE FIRE

We are aware that this summer is shaping up to be one of significant bushfire risk, and how to prepare and what to do in the event of fire is available from a number of sources: CFA, Shire, Red Cross, etc.

STAG's Emergency sub-committee is looking at how the community can prepare itself to work together through recovery should we be unfortunate enough to experience a bushfire this summer.

We are currently:

- Liaising with emergency services and local community groups
- Developing a list of essential contacts
- Identifying skills within the community
- Supporting the acquisition of UHF radios
- Promoting membership of the CFA

We are also seeking to establish a Community Recovery Group to either work with us in developing a recovery plan and/or to volunteer to assist at the time of recovery.

If you would like to help with any of the above, please contact one of the following:

Kim Usher (kim.usher@bigpond.com), Stuart Bridgman (stuartb446@gmail.com), Kath Handasyde (kathstuart@gmail.com), Helen Peters (balmanno3@bigpond.com)

Recipe of the Month

Pad Thai

From Elaine Davis

Ingredients

- 250g rice stick noodles
- 2 lemons juiced
- 2 tbspn Fish Sauce
- 2 tbspn brown sugar
- 2 tbspn peanut oil
- 2 thinly sliced chicken breast fillets
- 500g green prawns peeled and deveined
- 3 spring onions thinly sliced on the diagonal
- 3 small red chillies deseeded and finely chopped
- 2 eggs lightly beaten
- 1 cup bean sprouts
- 1/4 cup peanuts roasted (optional finely chopped)



- 1/2 cup coriander seeds
- Lime or lemon wedges to serve

Method

Place noodles into a heat proof bowl and cover with hot water. Stand until tender, then drain and rinse under cold water. Combine lemon juice, fish sauce and sugar in a jug. Whisk to combine.

Heat a wok over high heat, add oil, swirl to coat. Add chicken, stir fry for 2 minutes until golden. Add prawns, onions and chillies. Stir fry for 2-3 minutes or until prawns turn pink. Add noodles, stir fry for 2 minutes. Add lemon juice mixture to wok. Toss to combine. Slowly pour eggs over the noodles. Stir fry for 1 minute. Add sprouts. Toss well. Serve. Sprinkle with peanuts, coriander & citrus wedges.

Ref: *Delish: our Family Favourites*. Peranbin Primary School 2012

Whatever Happened to Bogie Tree?

(the rhyming version presented at SPOKEN by Stuart Bridgeman is well worth a read)

Oh dear, oh dear, oh woe is me
Whatever happened to Bogie tree,
Was it spam, a virus or maybe malware
Whatever it was, it's now a nightmare

So now we have Strathbogie Tree
It's just as good, and also free
But many are still to hear the scoop
On what to do, to join the group

Look in your spam on your device,
I've sent invitations, to many, twice
Respond to my invite for Strathbogie Tree
If you get an error, then email me

There are still some, who are unaware
Of the changes, and of how we share
Information of rides and stuff
Without Bogie Tree it will be tough
Let's spread the word, so we all agree,

It's no longer Bogie, it's Strathbogie Tree
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Walk of the Month



The Lunette Walk, Winton Wetlands

<https://walkingmaps.com.au/walk/5815>

This 3.5k walk showcases excellent views over Winton Wetlands swamps. It follows a lunette. A lunette is the rare geological feature of a sand dune found on the edge of wetlands. Formed by millennia of sand and soil movement across the swamp, the process creates a crescent moon shape.

From the ridgeline there are uninterrupted views across the water on both sides. At the return point of the walk you can climb to the summit of a circular hillock for 360 degree views. When the wetlands are full this last area may be cut off, but the rest of the walk will still be well worthwhile because of the vast aquatic scenery spread out around you from the dune top.

The wildlife exposure is second to none. Birdlife abounds. We counted thirty-three species within the first fifteen minutes of walking and spotted fifty-six by the time we got back. During inflows, the waterbird and raptor population booms. There are plenty of kangaroos, wallabies, echidnas, turtles, frogs and very beautiful snakes to be seen as well - walk quietly to hear or observe them going about their natural activity.

Sean Mathews



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SATURDAY - 4TH NOVEMBER

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SUNDAY - 5TH NOVEMBER

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1.30pm Kids Sports 6pm 3 course Italian Feast

MONDAY - 6TH NOVEMBER

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Boho South Car Boot Sale—Letter to stall holders.

Dear Stall Holder,

The Boho South Hall Committee would like to invite you to participate in this year's Community Car Boot Sale.

This year we will be conducting a Community Car Boot Sale in conjunction with The Strathbogie Tableland Cup Weekend Festival.

The Car Boot Sale will be conducted on Saturday 4th November from 8am - 1pm.

Due to the limited area being allocated for Stalls I would strongly encourage you to book a site ASAP with Toni Down 0457609827 or 57908543

The Boho South Hall Committee also have an Exhibition of Art work by Echuca artist Mrs M Anne Roberts on Saturday 4th, with Devonshire Teas available.

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Yours truly,

Toni Down
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Peranbin Primary College Strathbogie Campus

The students and staff at the Strathbogie Campus of Peranbin Primary College had a rare treat with a visit from the Victorian Racing Club and the Melbourne Cup. The children were allowed to hold the Cup, and several of them were allowed to put on the red and blue racing colours of 2003, 2004 and 2005 Cup winner, Makybe Diva, and the purple and white colours of 2015 winner Prince of Penzance. The children enjoyed asking questions of the VRC officials, and were amazed to hear that the Melbourne Cup was worth \$600,000 dollars.



Our Maths focus has been time. The Junior students made their own clocks and worked on o'clock and half past times and the Senior students made calendars and estimated times before and after events. We also estimated and timed ourselves doing various activities (bouncing a ball, climbing up the rock wall etc).

Our focus in Reading has been to make inferences. We have been finding clues in the text and in pictures to deepen our understanding. We have also been writing about our holidays and creating explanation texts. Here is Maggie and Pip presenting their buddy writing from researching and reporting on the Cup.



Art sessions have included lots of preparation for the upcoming School Concert, as well as organising our entries in the Euroa Show. We made masks that are going to be used for the concert, and they are also our show entry.

On Friday 27th of October we are having a Silly Sock Day at Baddaginnie Campus. This is a fundraiser for new playground equipment at the Baddaginnie Campus. There will be lots of fun games and art activities involving socks, and all students are encouraged to wear their silliest socks.

On Friday 3rd of November Peranbin is having a Drumming workshop and concert rehearsal day at Violet Town. The Peranbin School Concert will be on the 1st of December at Violet Town Hall.



Our Euroa Show entries