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VJ Editorial

Christmas Greetings from the VJ

Hello VJ readers,

First of all, just a quick word to those who are worried that my truth telling will somehow bring down the tone of the VJ. My responsibility as an editor of a grassroots publication does not trump my role as a human being to speak my truths or what I see. That said, I have decided to keep my editorials separate from my political musings in future.

To the rest of you welcome to another edition of the Village Journal - December 2014.

A big thanks to Mez Fischer for filling in while I was off gallivanting the globe (I wish). It's almost the end of the 2014 and Christmas is just around the corner. I'll let you in on a little secret – I hate xmas. In fact you should call me the Grinch when it comes to Xmas. It's not because of it being a religious holiday, no it's much more than that. It's the time of year where we 'show love' by buying stuff. Stuff we really don't need and at the same time we have children sleeping in cars and old people on the streets. When I was in London buying souvenirs for my children I saw a homeless man and I thought 'My kids have enough stuff'. So I gave him the money that I was about to spend on trinkets for my kids. Stuff that they would be excited about for ten minutes before they forgot about it. I said to him 'this is from Harlow and Phoenix in Australia' and he smiled and said 'God Bless them'. Absolutely priceless, a genuine 'blessing'! Worth every cent.

For a lot of people Christmas is a hard time of year with loneliness and poverty affecting many.

So here's my challenge to you.

This year do something different. Don't go crazy with shopping – it's just junk and it WILL end up at the Lismore dump. Invite the families that might be doing tough around for lunch or the single people living on their own. Ring those friends and loved ones. Give to the charities. Really make a difference to someone's life. Give little presents to ALL the kids you know.

Please keep an eye on each other this Xmas

- Freedom

Readers Forum...

HELP THE BABY BATS!

We are organising drop off points around the Northern Rivers for the public to donate cotton squares. Bat carers use 100% cotton squares to wrap the baby bats. Perfect size is a standard bandanna 50x50cm, already hemmed. We need hundreds because they are constantly being laundered and recycled!

Call me to find out your local drop off point, as it is different in different areas. Thank you so much.

WIRES Northern Rivers

Muriel Kinson

Publicity Officer

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Dear Lyn,

I was unable to reply to your last letter. I realise that your religion means a lot to you. However it concerns me that you are using it as a way to avoid taking control or charge of your own human destiny. Luckily for you religion and science can be compatible.

Recently I discovered a woman called Katharine Hayhoe, she is an American evangelical Christian climate scientist. Katharine is married to a preacher who travels the world talking to her brethren about the reality and the role of man in the advancement of climate change. As Katharine states 'God gave man free will'.

I think it is important that as a Christian you don't 'pick and choose' the bits of science that you like. I'm sure you benefit greatly from science and modern medicine etc. Another thing while I haven't read the bible from cover to cover I suspect like many Christians neither have you but I get the gist of your God. I'm pretty sure he would be saddened that his people did not look after the rest of God's creatures.

Have a lovely Christmas,

Freedom



Welcome!

The Village Journal would like to extend a warm welcome to the latest Rosebank Community Incorporated (RCI) board recruits; Cath Ford (President) and Jane Smith (Secretary) and also acknowledge the ongoing commitment of the outstanding members Catherine Knight (Treasurer) and Ross Wilson (Vice-President).



Farewell to Peter the Postie and his wife Celia

Back in 1985 Peter and Celia Thiel shifted to Tuntable Creek with their children Joanna, Rebecca, Benjamin and Amos. Prior to this Peter had worked as a bricklayer and painter in South Australia but found one profession hard on the back and the other hard on the nose - the paint fumes affected him! After establishing fruit orchards on the farm in Turntable Creek, Peter went job hunting, found the work he loved best and so became known as Peter the postie in Lismore, Rosebank and surrounding communities for the next 17 years.

Peter and Celia retired and left the north coast in 2009 when they shifted back to South Australia where they lived in a country property in the little town of Macclesfield so that they could be closer to friends and family. The life on the mail run and north coast was missed however and a number of pilgrimages from South Australia to the north coast were made to catch up with friends and colleges again.

In August this year, they drove to Western Australia to visit their oldest daughter and son and their families. After spending time with children and grandchildren and making a trip up north to see the western Australian wild flowers they headed on their homeward journey. Tragically after leaving their accommodation in Ceduna and driving just three hours on Friday, 29 August, Peter and Celia were involved in a fatal car accident on the Eyre Highway between Iron Knob and Kimba. Despite the valiant efforts of people who arrived on the scene to pull their vehicle away from the burning vehicle and trailer they collided with, the fire spread and caught on their car as well.

Peter and Celia will be greatly missed by Children, Grandchildren, Friends and Family.

Should you wish to see the memorial service or other information please visit www.thiel.id.au



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Details are available on the RLI website under "About Us".

All committee positions will be declared vacant. If your group wishes to nominate a member of your group as a representative of your group for an office bearer or ordinary committee member please contact the Secretary by phone, mail or email at the contact address below for a Richmond Landcare Inc., Nomination Form.

In accordance with the Department of Fair Trading "model constitution of an association":

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 - (b) Must be delivered to the secretary of the association at least 7 days before the date fixed for the holding of the annual general meeting at which the election is to take place.

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Office Closure Christmas New Year

Our office will close for the holiday season on Friday 19 December 2014 and re-open on Monday 12 January 2015. Should you need to contact us during that period our VoIP Messagebank phone 02 66191582 and email address committee@richmondlandcare.org will be monitored on a daily basis. On behalf of your Management Committee we wish you and your families a safe and enjoyable Christmas New Year



Remember to visit us on the RLI Facebook page.

Concrete and Eggs

It was a merry mix of concreting, weeding, mowing and bacon and egg sangers at the last working bee at the Reserve. Slowly, but surely, the toilet's wheelchair ramp is taking shape, with about 6 more concreting sections to go before completion. Join us next time, amateurs and professionals alike, on the 3rd Saturday of the month i.e. 20 December from 8am onwards.

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latest info

The coalition of wildlife carers which has responded to the current bat crisis in the Northern Rivers of NSW is still hard at work. Vaccinated carers from far and near spent the week tending locally to the needs of the over 400 orphaned young bats that were rescued while their colleagues moved up and down the country transporting many of those patients to carers elsewhere. Meanwhile, others have been keeping a close eye on the bat colonies in Casino, Kyogle, Lismore and Nimbin, checking for signs of further distress.

Sunday's weather fortunately turned more moderate, avoiding a near-certain replay of the previous weekend's disaster. Flying foxes are already weakened from the daily high temperatures and dry conditions that have not ceased for weeks. Another intense day would be more than they could tolerate.

Last weekend, WIRES established a major care unit in the home of a local WIRES bat coordinator where additional experienced carers have been in rota-

tion working with WIRES and NRWC carers constantly on duty. Once the bats were stabilised, many were transported elsewhere for foster care. Representatives from WIRES and other wildlife organisations came to the Northern Rivers to pick up the little patients and transport them to WIRES branches and other wildlife groups in Sydney and Southeast Queensland, South Australia and ACT as well as other areas of New South Wales. Bats in care will be nurtured for up to four months before being released back into the wild. There are only a small number of Black Flying Foxes left in the Casino colony. An official count is not completed, but it seems that there are only hundreds left of a colony of thousands. An all-volunteer organisation, WIRES Northern Rivers relies heavily on the generosity of caring people for support as we are a charity, not a government service. All donations \$2 and over are tax deductible. We give basic training courses three times during the year.



Orphaned Bat Pup - S. McGrigor

If you are interested, call the 24-hour hotline on 6628 1898 or go to <http://wiresnr.org/Helping.html> to find out how you can help.



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How to build a community

Note from Author – When writing this piece I had to weigh up the pros and cons obviously, some may identify with what I am saying and others may recognise themselves. There is always the risk that someone will get offended or hurt. From the outset let me be clear I am not talking about any one person. It's not about you, you ego maniac. It's a letter to communities everywhere. It's a letter to all of us.

With all the pressures of modern day living upon us it's hard to maintain or repair friendships and it's seems at times so much easier to go it alone. None of us have time to go through all the 'he said she said', to try resolve things that occurred months or even years ago. So we just drift apart, slowly but surely and then what happens to 'community'? It becomes vulnerable to CSG predators and the like.

Recently, at our November RCI meeting the issue of community involvement with the RCI was raised and our newly elected President Cath Ford was lamenting the fact that locals from Rosebank are just not getting involved with the RCI. Indeed we could even take it one step further to say that other than the same 'usual suspects' the RCI seems to be stagnating and that this is a reflection of Rosebank and the wider community.

Comparisons where paralleled between Rosebank and Federal and Rosebank came out sadly wanting. How is it, Cath enquired that Federal (as a community) can raise so much funds for their community from the back of a tiny shop and in Rosebank raising funds is like pulling teeth?

Communities are by their very definition amazingly fluid and resilient; they are organic in nature and build up over time. They are in part built on shared experience but also by a shared vision or 'dreaming'. Living in close proximity and frequenting the same venues does not make a community. Even living in a M.O or the same house cannot create a sense of community.

As the old saying goes...it seems that the Rosebank chickens have come home to roost. Geez I hope that the right saying I'm looking for or I'm going to sound really silly!

As an 'outsider' who doesn't live in Rosebank I have spoken to a number of people and they swear they would NEVER live in Rosebank. The first time I heard it I didn't think much of

it and I let it slide but the second time I pressed on. "Not even if I paid you?" I asked. "Nope, not even if you paid me!" came the reply. Wow. What does that tell you?

As Editor of the VJ I am custodian to an amazing and enlightening collection of VJs dating back to 1987. Through this collection not only can I trace the documented history of Rose-



Photo by Elk Anina - Federal

*"In the village, a sage should go about
Like a bee, which, not harming
Flower, colour or scent,
Flies off with the nectar."*

Anonymous, The Dhammapada

bank I am privy to who said what and when and more. The Village Journal is Rosebank's collective community archive. Obviously like any small town there have been a few problems and issues over the years that have divided the Rosebank community. One that really stands out in the recent Rosebank history is that of the Vipashnas – the intended retreat that was ultimately never developed because the poor couple where harassed to the point of leaving town.

I'm not even going there as I wasn't there and I don't know the full story but what I will say is if this is any example how you all treat each other when push comes to shove then unless you all work on it and change your ways, there will be no 'community', just cliques of self-interested people.

I will go one step further and say (with love) that Rosebank is suffering from the same old 'small town disease' a diagnosis based on the symptoms of gossip, insinuations,

backstabbing and divisions.

One of the things I am keenly interested in is getting some more feedback from the local Community about how we resolve the divisions in Rosebank.

What does a healthy community need to grow and prosper? Below are a list of my thoughts on what is needed and they include but are not limited to:

Equality, Respect, Boundaries, Forgiveness, Integrity, Collective vision.

Now I am unaware that this is unsolicited advice and I'm sure one or two of you will be sitting there thinking 'who does she think she is?' or 'what is this hippy crap' however I ask you to just accept that what I am saying is said with love and in the spirit of community and reconciliation.

Equality. Respect.

If we create false hierarchies and inequalities we will never be equals.

From my perspective there seems to be a distinction being made between the 'first settlers' or 'first families' and those who came after. For those of you who feel an urge to tell us repeatedly about your lineage I say honestly and again with love - get over it - you're not Royalty. I know it's part of your heritage and history and it's important to you but please don't use it as a yard stick to gauge whether or not someone is local or if they have value. Don't use 'the truth' to be divisive. Unless, of course you enjoy playing alone. Like it or not you are NOT the first people. Your own white history is but a nanosecond in time. The Wi-abul/Widjabul people are the Custodians – the Keepers/Protectors of this sacred country this includes the Rosebank area with its surrounding significant spiritual sites.

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... How to build a community

Another false division is based on 'what you do for a living' or how much money or stuff you have. He who dies with the most toys is still dead. There is a big difference between talking about jobs than 'fishing' for info to use to make yourself appear grander or to be used against someone at a later date.

*If it makes you feel good or if you get pleasure from looking down on other people you may need to seek professional counselling. (Seriously – with love)

Boundaries. Forgiveness. Integrity.

If you gossip about someone, if you talk about that person behind their back or belittle them then you are not 'friends' with that person. Little people with little lives gossip because they get to 'live vicariously through others'. A much healthier option is to get a life and make it a great one full of real friends.

We all have fence lines but the boundaries that really matter are the ones that encourage us to acknowledge where our sphere of influence ends and another person begins. This is where the 'gossip issue' comes to play. Just because you want to know about someone's life doesn't mean you're entitled to that information. Just because you glimpsed a peek into another's private life doesn't give you the right to judge. Just because you can doesn't mean you should.

The way we deal with others shows our level of integrity. We need as evolving individuals to maintain a higher level of consciousness and awareness of ourselves, our behaviour and our motivations. Treat people with love and integrity in our everyday dealings.

Collective Vision.

So how do we acknowledge that the past has occurred, learn from our collective mistakes and move forward all the time reinforcing our

bonds to each other in an attempt to rebuild up the Community Spirit in Rosebank? What if all those locals who are holding a grudge against their neighbour or still nursing a bruised ego all these years later decided just to forgive and forget and just let it all go? What a great place Rosebank could be.

Remember this; we are all so very human and flawed and although we are doing our very best sometimes our best just isn't good enough. We falter and we make mistakes because we are all learning as we go. And that it ok.

I am officially opening up this conversation and inviting you to participate. Please reconsider the RCI or volunteering with the Village Journal or get your hands dirty with the Richmond River Landcare team. The dates/events are on the back page of the VJ calendar. These are the shared experiences that help build community. If you think I'm right then come join the RCI and if you think I'm wrong then please by all means do enlighten me.

With Love,

Freedom

You can contact me at
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Great Egret Breeding Plumage - S. McGrigor

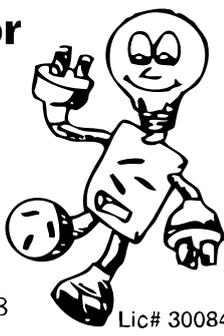


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VIVA LA RCI !

For years I could never work out what the RCI was about after 15 years of mild confusion I finally decided to attend one of the meetings and see what all the fuss was about. My friend Jane Smith and I decided to go along with an open mind, why we picked that meeting to go to after 15 years is a mystery to me but it turned out to be the AGM!

I was pleasantly surprised, the groups aims and objectives are about who we are as a community and how we can help each other. Established in 1998 its Aims & Objectives is marked out in its Charter-- in a nutshell-- its about inclusion, protection, respect and encouragement and fun within our community.

Some of the aims are to encourage youth, to address and inform on community issues, to insure and guide the Village Journal through rocky waters and to be inclusive of all people in this wonderful hamlet of Rosebank. At each meeting reports are given from several other community groups such as the Repentance Creek Hall and the Rosebank Hall, the Rosebank Reserve and the Village Journal. But these lofty aims come with a small price \$10 per year is required from you to be a part of the group. For this amount of money you will be kept in the loop of events such as the next Australia Day Picnic to be held at the Rosebank Reserve, be included in the newly established telephone tree- which is commonly used for emergencies within communities when there are such things as cyclones/bushfires/important issues such as CSG rallies. To come along and express your views about what's going on in our community-if you see a need for change.

NB – Editor's note. While acknowledging the role of the RCI in saving the VJ, the Kindred's contribution cannot and must not be over looked.

The Village Journal owes a huge debt of gratitude to both Garth and Lydia Kindred. The Kindred's have played a vital part to the RCI and The Village Journal with Garth fulfilling the role of Secretary on the RCI fulfilling the role of President, then Secretary for 16 years..

Garth is currently fighting for his life and we at the VJ wish Garth and Lydia all the very best at this very testing time. Without Garth and Lydia's unwavering support, dedication and steadfast commitment The Village Journal would have gone under.

When you look at the recent financial troubles with the Village Journal and the huge effort it took for the RCI to rally the community to meet and discuss the VJ's future- you recognise that it has met and is continuing to meet its Charter. Today, happily the Village Journal would appear to have a rosy future. It makes you realise the commitment the past committee members must have had. Our retiring President Joan Davies and Alan Davies have demonstrated great diligence and dedication to Rosebank and without their support and enthusiasm I doubt that the Village Journal would be here today. Thanks must also go to Garth Kindred for fulfilling the role of President, then Secretary for 16 years.

Recently there has been many 'newcomers' to Rosebank; in the past they would have acclimatised easily by just a couple of visits to the shop to meet some locals. However, as we know its not that easy these days and this is where the RCI can come in. Whether you have been living here for 30 years or 30 minutes the RCI cordially invites you to come along to the Australia Day Picnic to meet your neighbours and celebrate the day. Please take the opportunity to sit back, socialise, eat, drink and enjoy our wonderful Rosebank Reserve and meet – your extended community. We will have some games for the kids, such as treasure hunts, spot the platypus etc. etc. a little music and lots of fun. January



ATTENTION

There will be RCI Xmas drinks and final meeting for 2014 on

December 19th at 6pm

and everyone is welcome at Rosebank Hall for some drinks and nibbles before the meeting. Its pretty layback so don't be shy and come along.

26th, 2015 12pm-3pm.

So by now you are probably wondering who the new RCI committee is?

Secretary- Jane Smith

Treasurer- Catherine Knight

Vice President- Ross Wilson

President- Cath Ford

On behalf of all the Rosebank Community Inc. committee we wish you a happy and safe Christmas and New Year and look forward to catching up in 2015.

Cath Ford

RCI AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

NAME OF ORGANISATION

The name of the organisation shall be Rosebank Community Incorporated.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Organisation are set out hereunder:

Our objective is to work towards the sustainability of our community. We accomplish this through community participation, communication and action in all economic, social and environmental issues.

AIMS

Our stated aims :

Communicate (Educate, Awareness)

To broadcast accurate and useful information to the community, both as an educational source and as a connecting body.

To support existing local interest groups.

To lobby local government and the corporate sector in representing community needs and aspirations.

Participate

To facilitate input into the development and management of our community by residents.

To create new interest groups or project teams to meet identifiable community needs and desires.

To promote social events and get-togethers aimed at furthering community cohesion

Activate

To generate sustainable employment through the promotion of local enterprise, community projects and suitable infrastructure development.

To actively care for our local heritage, both natural and human-made.

To promote youth development locally by providing entertainment, and activities such as employment-based training.

To generate income which will be used to fund new and ongoing community projects.

Tribute to Our Grand Old Trees

Those who know me know I love trees. For several years I wrote a monthly series for The Village Journal - the 'VJ Tree Files'. It identified many significant street trees and Big Scrub remnants around our hinterland. Unfortunately a few of these old giants are no longer with us today. They have succumbed to the natural processes of ageing, of storms and droughts, of encroachment by other weed trees and vines, and to human factors like damage from developments and use of poisons on the landscape.

However, some of these remnants still stand out as lone sentinels in cow paddocks where once there was a forest. They have provided shade, habitat, food, bio-mass and oxygen for many species for countless decades.

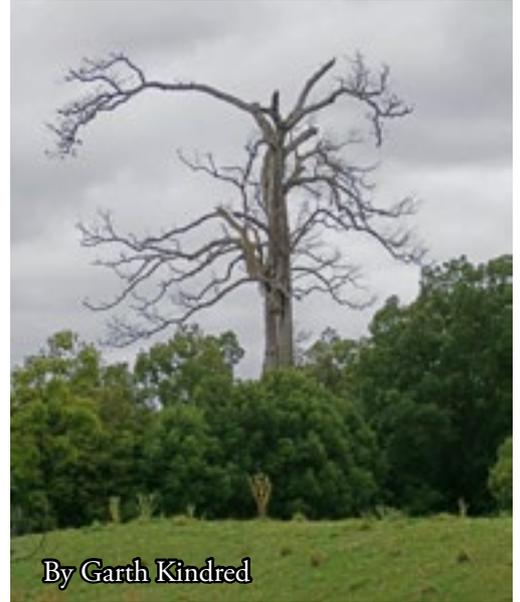
Arguably one of the largest old trees around is the big fig just up from the Ridgewood Bridge over Coopers Creek on Mackie Rd (midway between Rosebank and Clunes).

I would like to share a little story about this tree. In 2003 I'd nearly completed a TAFE Horticulture course and was very honoured to pay this tree a visit up close and personal with my good mate and fellow student Richard Allen. We were really blown away by the size of its trunk and buttresses with a lateral root system which traversed across Coopers Creek running down one side of the bank and up the other.



By Garth Kindred

Years have passed and the world has changed considerably. Richard was paralysed in a football match sometime thereafter (though I didn't know this for several years) and I eventually contracted leukemia and have been battling this for the past two and a half years. And the tree, this beautiful tree, has been going through death throws for about the same period of time. It was a Big Scrub remnant and would have grown up through the canopy as is indicated by its form. It could be several hundred years old. Whether it just got too old or too lonely without its rainforest companions I don't know. It may have suffered from encroachment by surrounding Camphor Laurels. I was lucky to catch it one day in 2003 with the rainbow in the background (those surrounding Camphors were themselves large trees) and I thank Mary O'Brien for the photo of the dying tree taken recently.



By Garth Kindred

RIP Giant Fig, you've served your earth well and provided food and habitat for countless creatures over centuries.

Please look out for these remnants and help protect them from any threats. Also please consider sharing photos and information about big trees local to you in this journal for all to appreciate.

Garth Kindred, Rosebank



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DECEMBER

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Did you plant plenty of cucumbers? Have a friend or neighbour who overplanted? Need to strip the vines before going away? Try this recipe for an addition to salads, sandwiches and almost anything else. A bottle makes an excellent Christmas or any-other-time present.

Crisp Pickled Cucumber/Gherkin

*Slice 2kg unpeeled cucumber (include any small finger-size cucumber whole).

* Rough-chop 3 medium onions; peel 6 cloves garlic. Cut one stick of celery into little finger-size lengths.

* Mix above ingredients in large bowl with 6 whole small red or green chillies (optional) and 6 Bay or curry leaves. Sprinkle with 1/3 cup of coarse salt. If possible, cover with crushed ice and leave for 4 hours. If not, place in refrigerator 4 hours; freezer 3 hours.

* Drain well and mix together 1 1/2 cups raw sugar, 1 1/2 cups cider vinegar, 1 teaspoon turmeric, 1 1/2 tablespoons mustard seed and 1/2 teaspoon whole peppercorns.

* Place cucumber mixture in large saucepan

over medium heat and pour the pickling mix over, stirring gently, but constantly, until it boils.



* Pour into warm sterilised jars, evenly distributing the ingredients. Seal immediately and store in cool, dark places

If it is decreed that you must holiday elsewhere, there are measures that can be taken, such as the addition of a water retention compound to pot plants, shrubs and trees, but a good mulch is invaluable. If it is not an exceptionally dry month, indoor plants can be put outside, under a shady tree. But remember, a reliable gardening friend is best.

VEGETABLES

There is still a variety of seeds and seedlings which can be planted this month. If it is to your taste, don't neglect regular radish plantings. A sprinkle of seed each month and there is a source of fresh sandwich, salad and stir-fry material.

Plantings include: Aubergine * Beans * Beetroot *Carrot *Celery *Chinese Cabbage *Corn *Cucumber *Lettuce *Radish *Tomato

FLOWERS

This is the month of the marigold. Early-sown plants will be flowering now, but there is still time to sow. Apart from the wide range of colours, the cutting qualities and the easy care aspects of marigolds, they are truly the plants' plant. Everywhere, companion planters agree: marigolds with everything. They are a version of that great herbal panacea – calendula.

Marigolds will stop a host of diseases and pests of potatoes, tomatoes and roses. In pots or as border flowers, they are an effective deterrent to the cocked leg of the canine.

Plantings include: Chrysanthemum *Lobelia *Marigold *Nasturtium *Petunia *Phlox.

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Local emerging winemaker, Jared Dixon (of Clunes Cellars) has made two Rosé-style wines.

His first is 2014 Jilly Vino de Noche, made from New England Topper's Mountain vineyard Tempranillo grapes, curated by viticulturalist Mark Kirkby, hand-picked and crushed, left on skins overnight, basket-pressed the following morning (I did about an hour's worth of juice collection), so not the sangee style, but, rather, made in the ancient Roman tradition.

A black (naturally, for 'noche', the night leaving), wraparound label says my bottle is 48 out of 380 bottles. Its colour is a cross between blood and strawberry juice. And this is symptomatic of its style: not quite as luscious as your left-over sangee style, but more grown-up, elegant, adult and textured. It smells of earthy strawberries. And on the palate, very dry with a length in that dryness.

A kind of mysterious, alchemical Rosé made for what it is, as it is, in that ancient Roman tradition, yet remaining mysterious, keeping some of its subjectivity secret, unarticulated. Dixon's second Rosé-style wine is the 2014

Jilly Lone Ranger Rosato. The Rosato (Italian for Rosé) is from Dixon's favourite variety, Nebbiolo, grown, again, in the ideal conditions of New England.

The Neb is left on skins for twelve hours and barrel fermented with the indigenous yeast populating Topper's Mountain.

While Jilly comes from Dixon's paternal grandfather's lost love, a maid named Jilly, the 'lone ranger' series refers to small batch production: one barrel.

All Jilly wines have a cloth-like wraparound label, the back-label information handwritten to support the 'handmade' quality of the wine.

Already the 2014 has sold in quantity to specialist bottle shops in Australian capital cities, so not much is left in Clunes Cellars (Be quick!).

The Rosato is bronze-highlighted, medium rosy-red in colour. A light

sweetness finishes off the perfume which is characterised by roses and strawberries with an undertone of orange sherbet. The deep, luscious palate features dryness high on the long length. Dixon is interested in food-matching wines – having his drinkers think, 'I need to eat ... with this'. I'd recommend a yellow cheese and/or nuts, maybe some savoury popcorn or tart, or brioche with cherry or smoked tomatoes.

Rather than a Chardonnay, or Dixon's new Semillon, this Rosato went well with pasta carbonara at chez nous. So this is a serious Rosé for a business lunch, or cultural discussion.

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Snakes, Spiders, Ticks and First Aid

SNAKES

For a time, it appeared that most species of Australian snakes would be extinct, due to the philosophy: the only good snake is a dead snake. Snakes are not normally aggressive and unless provoked or threatened, would far prefer to slip away to live another day.

Snake-bite prevention is easy: leave them alone; wear gumboots or heavy footwear and leg-covering in snake territory, giving the occasional heavy stamp to forewarn. Keep sheds mice-free; keep grass mowed around house, garden and play areas.

If the unfortunate happens, the most difficult and important consideration is to keep calm. In a wonderful turn of phrase, the St John's Ambulance manual warns: 'The casualty will normally display a strong emotional reaction.'

Don't worry about catching and killing the snake for identification or revenge. The local hospital almost certainly has a venom



detection kit.

The bite will probably be two puncture marks about one centimetre apart, although there may only be fang scratches. The bitten area will swell and redden. Call for medical help.

The symptoms of a poisonous snake bite can include: sweating, vomiting, breathing difficulties, headache, double vision, pain in the chest and abdomen, giddiness or fainting and diarrhoea. (Those complaints should be enough for anyone to keep out of a snake's way.)

Don't wash the venom off the skin as this may help in identification. Don't cut the bitten area and don't try to suck the poison out. And don't apply tourniquets.

Wrap a bandage around the limb – from toes to groin or fingers to armpit – firmly enough to compress the tissue but not restricting the flow of blood. If it is an arm, put it in a sling; if a leg, put a splint along the bandaged limb and bandage that on.

Lay back, wait for help and try to remember that anti-venom is available for all Australian snakes.

SPIDERS

The two greatest offenders in the Australian spider world are the funnel web and the redback. Medical advice must be sought for the bites of both these spiders.

A funnel web bite really hurts when it happens and amongst the signs are heavy sweating and salivating, cold skin and shivering. However, the bitten area is not tender. Treat as for snake bite and yes, an anti-venom is available.

The redback bite symptoms are much the



same as those of the funnel-web, but the treatment is different. Apply an ice-pack over the bite, but do not bandage. Anti-venom is also available.

TICKS

Ticks have no redeeming features. They are sneaky and nasty. Ticks can kill animals (particularly puppies and kittens), paralyse some small children and deliver several days of misery to a non-tolerant adult.

If circumstances allow, put a few drops of tea tree oil, kerosene or mineral turpentine on the tick to make it loosen its grip. Get hold of its head with tweezers or long fingernails and lever up, being careful not to leave the mouth parts.

Some enthusiasts insist that a slight clockwise twist during removal reduces the amount of venom released. Others claim it is a counter-clockwise movement. However, the main objective is not to grasp or squeeze the tick or more venom will be transmitted.

There are a number of possible treatments for tick bite, such as aromatherapy oils like basil, lemon, cinnamon, cedar, lavender and pennyroyal. Others will swear by rose geranium oil as having incredible tick repellent properties. Animals may require veterinary treatment if paralysis begins.

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The Earth Charter is centrally concerned with the transition to sustainable ways of living and sustainable human development. Ecological integrity is one major theme. However, the Earth Charter recognizes that the goals of ecological protection, the eradication of poverty, equitable economic development, respect for human rights, democracy, and peace are interdependent and indivisible. It provides, therefore, a new, inclusive, integrated ethical framework to guide the transition to a sustainable future.

The Earth Charter is a product of a decade-long, worldwide, cross-cultural dialogue on common goals and shared values. The Earth Charter project began as a United Nations initiative, but it was carried forward and completed by a global civil society initiative.

The Earth Charter was finalized and then launched as a people's charter on 29 June, 2000 by the Earth Charter Commission, an independent international entity, in a ceremony at the Peace Palace, in The Hague.

The drafting of the Earth Charter involved the most inclusive and participatory process ever associated with the creation of an international declaration. This process is the primary source of its legitimacy as a guiding ethical framework. The legitimacy of the document has been further enhanced by its endorsement by over 6,000 organizations, including many governments and international organizations.

In light of this legitimacy, an increasing number of international lawyers recognize that the Earth Charter is acquiring the status of a soft law document. Soft law documents like the Universal Declaration of Human Rights are considered to be morally, but not legally, binding on state governments that agree to endorse and adopt them, and they often form the basis for the development of hard law.

At a time when major changes in how we think and live are urgently needed, the Earth Charter challenges us to examine our values and to choose a better way. The Earth Charter provides a very valuable educational instrument. It encourages us to search for common ground in the midst of our diversity and to embrace a global ethic that is shared by an ever-growing number of people throughout the world.

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The Politics of Dancing Down Under

I was away last month but I've got to tell you a lot got said about the last couple of editions. For those unaware I refer to the editorial I wrote previously about Tony Abbott's exaggerations; his imaginations and his propensity to err 'bend the truth' and the responses we received.

Surprisingly a number of people got their budgie smugglers in a bunch. Some even got so worked up that they actually wrote me a 'Dear Editor - you suck' letter. Thankfully this was far outweighed by those people who stopped me on the streets wanting to congratulate me on how the Village Journal was coming along or just to encourage me for having the courage to say what was on my mind. To be honest I was actually taken aback by the right wing voter's response. Far be it from me to tell anyone how to vote and sure I understand everyone is busy. Most people don't get the chance to keep up with the politics of the day but you would have to be living under a rock to still be believing the 'character' that Abbotts minders made up. Do you really believe that the Tony your seeing is a real person?.

Let us not ever forget his embarrassing, behaviour at the G20 where he threatened to 'shirtfront' another leading head of state, Russia's President Putin. His 'act of testosterone fuelled machoism was all a premeditated

act. The twit even parroted back the puppet masters (Peta Credlin) words when he said "You bet you you will - um I will".

Tony Abbott is without a doubt one of the worst Prime Ministers ever and no matter how much his mate Rupert tries to 're-brand' him the fact remains he is what he is and slowly but surely everyone is starting to wake up.

Funnily enough as I write Tony Abbott aka Captain Catholic is coming unstuck in Canberra with a little snip of media footage from the night BEFORE the election. Because 98% of it if not ALL of what he is saying is scripts it's hard to keep track of it all in his head. Poor Tony can't remember anything 'you bet you he can't'.

Luckily SBS and now the rest of Australia has the footage to prove it. It goes like this. In an interview with Anton Enis, Tony Abbott said:

"No cuts to Education, No cuts to health, No changes to pensions, No changes to the GST and No cuts to the ABC or SBS".

Despite this snippet going around the twitter-sphere a million times or so Abbott continues to twist and bend like a slippery eel. Even after a full day of questioning in Parliament Time, even when his own colleagues in the Liberal party admit that it is a cut and that he needs to stop he still continues to play 'word gymnastics'.

Come on people are you seriously going to defend this fool?

Do you like being played for a sucker and treated like an imbecile? Instead of wasting time writing in the defence of a liar why not spend that time researching. Watch the footage; listen to his 'own words' and watch him live in action in Parliament time.

Honestly you couldn't make this stuff up!

- *Freedom*



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Eureka Playgroup - End of year Teddy Bear Picnic



It's hard to believe the playgroup year is coming to an end. It has been a wonderful year, with lots of amazing parents and littlies getting together in Eureka to learn, explore, enjoy, relax and connect.

Each week we have a theme that runs through our stories, songs and craft. This month we went in search of fairies in our fairy garden, took a trip into outer space, spent a day



challenging ourselves with puzzles and (for the parents) spent a morning learning what to do in the event our child needed emergency first aid.

Eureka playgroup will be finishing up on Wednesday 10 December with our Teddy Bears Christmas picnic under the trees. Everyone is welcome to join us to celebrate. Please bring a plate of morning tea to share if you can.

To the 26 local families who have made up the Eureka Playgroup this year, it has been lovely meeting you all. Have a safe festive season and I hope to see everyone back at playgroup in the New Year. For those Playgroupers who are moving on to primary school next year I hope you have a wonderful time and continue to show the love of learning that you have showed while at playgroup.

Eureka playgroup meets at Eureka Public School each Wednesday of school term from 9.30-11.30am. Please contact the school on 66884272 for details.



Rosebank Public School News

Rosebank Public School has been doing our Rosebank thing....embracing new opportunities for learning while honouring the cherished traditions of our community. In a few weeks, all children will take to the stage for our Whole School Musical. Some will sing, some will dance and some will provide the musical accompaniment. This year, Rosebank will present Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Our school is a-buzz with talk (and song) of Nutarrific Bars and Everlasting Gobstoppers.

To help our new Principal understand Rosebank PS, students from Kinder right through to Year Six have reflected on what is unique and special about our school. Their written responses show how much our school is loved and how much children value the opportunity to grow and learn in such an intimate and

naturally beautiful setting.

Students at Rosebank participate in decision-making about their own educational programs, helping them grow as fully engaged, self-directed learners. Recently, for example, students who travelled to Canberra to learn about Australian Government were invited to give feedback on the trip and contribute to planning for future trips. Students practised gratitude by writing letters of thanks to their parents, outlining how they had benefited from the trip and expressing their appreciation for the opportunity to go.

By involving students in shared decision-making, we create a learning community that is highly personal and mutually supportive – Children are motivated to participate in learning activities that they have helped plan.

In the weeks ahead, the whole school will work together to elect new student leaders and to help chart our school's future course as we develop a new three-year plan.

Community members interested in contributing to the development of our new school plan are warmly invited to attend a Planning Meeting on the evening of December 2nd. The meeting will commence at 5.00pm. Please call the school on 6688 2126 to RSVP if you would like to join us.



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AN AUSSIE ABROAD - GREETINGS FROM BUDAPEST AND LONDON

After flying through 'the longest night' and criss- crossing over a few time time zones I finally touched down in Budapest Hungary..

Dazed and exhausted I wandered through the airport. After over 48 hours of travelling, five flights; including one that lasted for 22 hours, god knows how many awful airline 'meals' and a serious case of 'cankles', I was shattered. Thankfully I found my driver waiting with to drive me straight to my Hotel.

Although I was in town for business I managed to find time to go exploring and adventuring the City of Spas after all I had never been to Budapest before and who knows when I will be over that side of the world again. Carpe Diem and all that.

My Observations.....

I found out very quickly that while a percentage of the Budapest locals speak English the ones that don't are rather arrogant if you do not speak Hungarian. I, tragically do not and soon learnt that apparently hand signals are not universal and the quickest way to communicate was to ask "Do you speak English" - first in English followed by 'Does anyone here speak English' this time in Hungarian.

Interestingly enough Budapest is actually two cities Buda and Pest (who knew?) that straddle the Danube River.

Coming from Adelaide originally I found myself thinking, if Paris and Adelaide had a lovechild it would be Budapest with its streetscapes featuring majestic old buildings with gargoyles and flags and cobbled footpaths with pots of red carnations everywhere.

Oh and the Parisian arrogance.

The jewel in Budapest's crown would be the Parliament House. It is spectacular and looks as though it's come straight out of a Disney book (one that features Princesses and Castles). Despite its beauty an extreme right wing fascist political party with links to Neo Nazi groups has seized control of the Government. In fact, The Hungarian Civil Liberties Union who had been my hosts for the week had been in the Government crosshairs and their EO had been under attack from the Government. As I was leaving; Budapest witnessed the biggest public rallies in its modern history in protest to the extreme Austerity measures and harsh political climate. While to some that might sound scary but for me it is a sign that the human spirit is alive and thriving in Budapest.

One plane ride and ninety minutes later I found myself with two days to spare In London with no responsibilities or



Budapest Bridge

obligations. I spend the first arvo watching really crap TV and eating worse junk food in a bedsit then decided to do the full

tourist gig. This included catching the tube



and going to the Art Gallery in Trafalgar Square. I witnessed firsthand the sea of red poppies symbolising the fallen soldiers of WW1 and was amongst the crowd of 4 Million people that passed by and paid my respects. I found it so very sad and an absolute unbelievable waste of human life.

I found myself front row seats on the top of an open double decker bus and filmed London from Paddington Station all the way around the Monopoly Board. London is a very funky chic city with an amazing history. Anyone visiting should try a guided tour on the buses as it is very informative. I saw MI5, The street where the Rolling Stones used to hang out and the flat where John and Yoko lived and of course all of the Queens 'things'.

My personal observations in part: (No offense to any British expats).

The Brits must be kicking themselves that they didn't house the criminals back in England and send the free settlers to Australia.

The British hierarchy and caste system is alive and thriving even if they pretend it no longer exists.

Despite the fiasco with her back taxes 'The Queen' is more than Royalty she is England's most recognised and loved (and despised) iconic 'brand'. The Queen sells, so it is probably a good drawcard to keep her on the books.

The River Thames is brown and polluted. Both Budapest and London had an issue with pollution and 'scum rings' a thick brown ring that rises up from the city.

Fresh fruit and veg is poor quality, expensive and in limited supply in Europe in comparison to Australia. Hence British salads have more 'dressing' than they do salad and are disgusting.

Everyone in England is smaller, shorter, paler, and generally not as healthy looking as their Aussie cousins.

I thoroughly enjoyed my adventure but at the end of it all I do believe 'There is no place like home'.

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Deep Southern Skies in December 2014

Welcome to a monthly description of our night sky for December.

HIGHLIGHTS

Mercury and Venus close.

Saturn and the crescent Moon close.

Venus returns to the evening sky.

THE MOON

6th Full Moon.

13th Moon at apogee (farthest from Earth at 404,581 km).

14th Last Quarter.

22nd New Moon.

25th Moon at perigee (closest to Earth at 364,797 km).

29th First Quarter.

THE PLANETS

Mercury leaves the morning sky as it moves into superior conjunction (Mercury and Earth on opposite sides of the Sun) on the 8th. Returning to the evening twilight mid-month the planet can be seen rising up toward Venus, coming within 0.7° of the brilliant planet in January.

Venus remains in the western evening twilight as it moves from Ophiuchus and into Sagittarius this month. At the end of the month the innermost planet, Mercury, appears 3° below and south (left) of Venus.

The Earth is at Solstice on the 22nd when the days are longest. On this day, the Sun is at its most southerly position with a declination of -23.5° .

Mars is visible in the western evening sky after evening dusk. Moving from Sagittarius and into Capricornus early in the month the planet appears within 0.5° of the compact globular star cluster M75 on the 3rd and 4th. Since opposition last April, Mars has dimmed to 1st magnitude and shrunk to 5 arc seconds in diameter. Mars receives a visit from the waxing 4-day old crescent Moon on the 25th.

Jupiter is visible in the late evening eastern sky a few degrees north (left) of Regulus (Al-pha Leonis) in Leo. The gas giant appears stationary on the 9th marking the beginning of four months of retrograde motion, when we see the planet moving from west to east across the sky. On the 12th, the 20-day old waning gibbous Moon appears nearby the planet. With opposition in early February 2015, Jupiter brightens to -2.4 magnitude towards the end of the month.

Saturn, after its solar conjunction last month, reappears in the early eastern sky mid-month in Libra. Low in the eastern dawn sky on the 20th, this ringed world has a close visit from the 28-day old waning crescent Moon, only 2° away.

Uranus reaches the end of its five-month retrograde loop when it appears stationary on the 22nd. The planet, in Pisces, is located in the northwestern evening sky after the end of dusk.

Neptune can only be seen in the western evening sky in Aquarius this month. In mid-January the planet has a close encounter with Mars.

CONSTELLATION OF THE MONTH

Taurus the Bull is worth keeping an eye out for as it rises in the north-eastern sky this month. One of the great zodiac signs, Taurus is commonly depicted as charging at Orion the Hunter, which lies to the south-east. The Bull is one of the most ancient of the star signs, dating back to at least Babylonian times 4000 years ago. Taurus has some great sights. Marking the shoulder of the Bull, and the first stars to appear as the constellation rises, are the Pleiades, commonly known as the Seven Sisters (M45). Four times the diameter of the Full Moon, this open cluster of young, hot stars is a superb spectacle even with the naked eye. On clear dark nights keen eyes will find eight or even ten to be naked-eye objects. Binoculars or a small telescope will reveal 30 or more stars. The brightest is Alcyone at magnitude 2.9. The earliest reference to this cluster are from China more than 4000 years ago.

Following the Pleiades across the sky is the red giant star Aldebaran which marks the eye of the Bull. This was one of the Royal stars of ancient Persia and is one of the oldest Arabic star names applied in the West from the end of the 10th century.

From our vantage on Earth, Aldebaran is superimposed on a more distant V-shaped star cluster known as the Hyades. One hundred and fifty lightyears distant, this is the nearest of the major open star clusters. Two of the stars in Hyades are wide double stars, easily resolved with the naked eye or with binoculars: Theta Tauri (magnitude 3.4 and 3.8) and Sigma Tauri (magnitude 4.7 and 5.1).

Both the Hyades and the Pleiades have mythological associations. They represent two groups of sisters, all daughters of Atlas but to different mothers. Both were placed by Zeus among the stars; the Hyades as a reward for nursing one of the god's children, the Pleiades as a protection against the amorous advances of Orion. The rising and setting of the Hyades and Pleiades were traditionally associated with rain.

Filling out the constellation to the east are stars making up the horns of the beast, with Beta Tauri (El Nath, the 'butting one') making the tip of the northern horn. Close to the other tip is the Crab Nebula (M1). This nebula is the remnant of a supernova seen by Chinese astronomers in 1056.

One of the years lesser meteor showers, the Taurids, emerges from two points in the night sky above the Pleiades over the month following 25 October, with a peak around 7 November. It is associated with Comet Encke and can produce 12 meteors per hour.

M45, The Pleiades, Open Star Cluster in Taurus. Al Brockman, 2009

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 Fri Dec 5th @ 7pm "CC the Cat"
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 Fri, Dec 12th @ 7pm "Conspiracy of One"
 Sun, Dec 14th @ 2pm "Phil Levy" Duo
 Fri, Dec 19th @ 7pm "Nicole Brophy"
 Sun, Dec 21st @ 2pm "Leash & The Dusty Boot"
 Wed, Dec 24th @ 5pm Musician TBA :: Christmas Eve Rural Fire Brigade Santa Run
 Fri, Dec 26th @ 7pm "Kathryn Jones" Duo
 Sun, Dec 28th @ 2pm "Bill Jacobi"
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GIGS DEC: ***please note, the usual Thursday trivia is not running in December and first week of Jan - Claire Harding could you please delete these trivia's on CalPress on website, thank you ***

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Fri Jan 2nd @ 7pm "Inside Outlaw"
 Sun Jan 4th @ 2pm "Chris Aronsten"
 Wed Jan 7th @ 6:30pm "not quite folk" jam night
 Thu Jan 8th @ 6:30pm "Brainteasers Trivia"
 Fri Jan 9th @ 7pm "Conspiracy of One"
 Sun Jan 11th @ 2pm "Phil Levy" Duo
 Thu Jan 15th @ 6:30pm "Brainteasers Trivia"
 Fri Jan 16th @ 7pm "Yolan"
 Sun Jan 18th @ 2pm "Guy Kachel"
 Thu Jan 22nd @ 6:30pm "Brainteasers Trivia"
 Fri Jan 23rd @ 7pm "Bill Jacobi"
 Sun Jan 25th @ 2pm "Leigh James"
 Mon Jan 26th @ 1pm Musician TBC :: Australia Day
 Thu Jan 29th @ 6:30pm "Brainteasers Trivia"
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				Mullum Farmers Market	Alstonville Farmers Market Lismore Farmers Market	Byron Bay Market
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 
	Rainbow Region Organic Market @ Showground 7.30-11AM	Whian Whian Playgroup WW School 10-11.30am Eureka Playgroup 9.30 - 11.30am	Byron Farmers Market Trivia 6.30PM @ Eltham Hotel Lismore Produce Market 3.30-6.30PM	Mullum Farmers Market	Alstonville Farmers Market Lis. Farmers Market Federal Films - Evening movie 8pm Family dinner 5.30-6.30pm; Later dinner 6.30-7.45pm	Channon Market
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Rainbow Region Organic Market @ Showground 7.30-11AM	Playgroup WW School 10-11.30am Eureka Playgroup 9.30 - 11.30am	Byron Farmers Market Lismore Produce Market 3.30-6.30PM	RCI Meeting Drinks and Nibbles at 6pm Mullum Farmers Market	Rosebank Landcare @ Rosebank Recreation Reserve 8 - 11am Alstonville Farmers Market Lis. Farmers Market	Lismore Car Boot
22 	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Rainbow Region Organic Market @ Showground 7.30-11AM	Whian Whian Playgroup WW School 10-11.30am Eureka Playgroup 9.30 - 11.30am	Christmas Day Byron Farmers Market Lismore Produce Market 3.30-6.30PM	Boxing Day Mullum Farmers Market	Alstonville Farmers Market Lis. Farmers Market	Bangalow Village Market
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