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Bendoc Wheel

News from the Neighbourhood House

Another month has slipped by, at the Centre in Bendoc we have seen an increased interest in our video library and books offered at the centre. A steady stream of Tourists visiting our area have kept me busy with information. Well autumn is here, don't forget to check your chimneys before winter hits us.

Tree of Life Bombala Craft classes will resume in April, we are currently awaiting dates. Courses are \$20 per person.

We had an interested visit from a Marlo based photographer and his wife who were visiting the region the Wednesday before the Campdraft in Delegate. Helmut and Gemma Kummer stopped in to get directions to the boardwalk and stayed for lunch. He showed me some of his fantastic wildlife images and hoped to get some of the Campdraft. They met up with Claire here on the day and again at the Campdraft. If you are interested in wildlife photography I suggest you look up Marlo and Beyond Images of Australia on Facebook. Both enjoyed their lunch, a good cuppa and chat.

Sunday the 18th March 2018, a day to remember, our thoughts go out to all those in Victoria and Bega/Tathra who lost everything in the fires of that day. To the DWELP crews who headed off to assist, good work. To the DWELP crew that removed the fallen tree from the Neighbourhood House front yard, both the Neighbourhood House Committee and Staff plus the Bendoc Progress Association Inc wish to extend our thanks for this assistance. Again a job well done, thank you.

Easter is upon us, where did the time go? Be safe, drive carefully during Easter and the upcoming **Vic School Holidays** Commencing March 30 until April 15th school restarts 16th. **For our NSW students final day of Term 1** is 13/April and you return to school on Tuesday 1st May.

Remember daylight savings ends Sunday morning 3 am on the 1st of April, no joke, turn your clocks back one hour. Till next month, that's all he wrote... Chris

Bendoc Progress Association Inc.

Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday

9.30am-2.30

(Subject to change)

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Bendoc Neighbourhood House

Shire Outreach Centre

Remember

East Gippsland Shire Council <u>Library Books</u> can be returned to our centre, we also have new books & DVDs for your perusal.

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WOOLY WEEKEND WORKSHOP

We are happy to share that Heather Stuart is coming to Bonang again and bringing more talented people from the RIVIERA SPINNERS AND FELTERS INC.

Bonang Hall 10am on Saturday 28th April & Sunday 29th April, come for one or come for both. Cost \$20.00

What will be on offer over the 2 days:

- Natural dyeing using leaves, onion skins, etc. participants may like to collect onion skins, and red box leaves before it rains. Led by very enthusiastic dyer.
- Painted skeins or wool tops for spinning or felting. Guided by two members with extensive colour theory experience.
- Spinning.
- Wet felting a picture or Nuno felting a silk based scarf.
- Weaving.
- Craft display

Join in or enjoy watching the professionals at work, share ideas around a lunch and join us for Dinner! We will be having a roast dinner in the pizza oven—ALL COMMUNITY WELCOME.

Craft supplies will be on offer to purchase on the weekend Children always welcome—Free

BOBCAT CONTRACTOR Do you need: Heavy duty slasher and bucket



Slasher suitable for scrub or regrowth removal Clearing Small Earthworks Levelling Preparation for sheds, carports, water tanks and paving Clean ups

Reasonable rates **Fully insured** Contact: Steve on 02 64580303 or

0407190258 (Mobile does not work at home) Or email: <u>stephenscroope@bigpond.com</u>

Vehicle pictured is Steve's actual Bobcat



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The Mountain Rivers Connect will be available at the Bendoc Neighbourhood House / Bendoc Outreach Centre once it has been produced and sent out. Something to look forward to.

The Mountain Rivers Connect is an East Gippsland Shire Council publication.

Brr winter is coming. Do remember to clean your chimneys and flues to avoid chimney fires happening during winter.

Update... Concerning story on Page 4..

For this month there will be no recipe of the month due to a special request from a Lady seeking some help finding information about her grandparent. Her name is Brooke Wooldridge, and she can be contacted by phone on 0419 701080 or by email at bmwoold@bigpond.com

If anyone can help her out please contact her, she is trying to write a novel about her ancestors.

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With that said, please forward any interesting historical or current items to the Editor, Bendoc Wheel c/o Bendoc Progress Association Inc, PO Box 50 Bendoc Vic 3888.

Or via email at bendocpa@bigpond.com

Okay People, Can anyone help Brooke Wooldridge get some information on her grandparents??



Bendoc?

This is Marguerite Maisie (Peggy) Gutteridge. She worked as a domestic for Lucy Walcott at 'Balgownie', 1928-1932. She was a Barnardos girl, who came from England with other child migrants, when she was just 14 years old.

Les and Peggy fell in love, in Delegate, but were cruelly separated by the Depression. The photo of Peggy, which we believe was taken at Balgownie or thereabouts, Les kept it all his life.

I am writing a book, based on their story. I would welcome information about the sort of work Les & Peggy would have been doing. This is Les Wallace. Les came from England as a lad of 19 and worked for Mr REID/REED, near Bendoc, 1928-1931.

This photo is captioned "...carting firewood to homestead at Bendoc bord...". Does anyone know the name of the REID/REED homestead at



Have you heard any stories about child migrants employed on the homesteads in the region?

I'd also like to hear from any descendants of the REID/REED family. Les re-visited Bendoc/Delegate in the late 1980s.

Please contact Brooke Wooldridge, she can be contacted by phone on 0419 701080 or by email at bmwoold@bigpond.com Thank you..

Delegate Pony Club News

Our eight riders attended Delegate Pony Club's rally day on Sunday the fourth of March 2018. The riders used the jump set from the show and enjoyed themselves on the equipment. Rowena Butterworth had set up a complex course for our riders and then ran them and their ponies through their paces.

Rachel Butterworth took the riders for the second session on the day, running them through some very exciting mounted games. Delegate Pony Club hopes to enter a team or two in the upcoming mounted games to be held at Bungendore in May 2018.

Delegate Pony Club hold their rally days on the first (1st) Sunday of every month. For further information please check the Delegate Pony Club community page for upcoming events and updates.

Our next rally is to be held on April 1st -- 9.30 am gear check for a 10.00 start.

Expressions of Interest

Would any one interested in going to the Cooma Little Theatre to see two one act plays entitled <u>10</u> <u>Ways to survive the Zombie Apocalypse</u> and <u>What shall we do with the Body</u>? These will be on stage from May 11th to May 26th.

If you may be interested please ring Chris Bayliss on 02 64581402 Monday to Wednesday and let him know.

For our Craft ladies and gentleman out there, do remember that we are looking into a new craft expobeing held in Canberra from the 3rd to 6th of May.

To our flower enthusiasts, we may be organising a trip to Floriade a little later in the year late September early October again in Canberra.

For more info ring Chris on 02 64581402 Monday to Wednesday.

BIRTHDAYS!

Celebrating their birthdays this February/March are..

We seem to have no one this month but if you are having a birthday..

Wishing you all the best on your special day.





The Delegate Multi Purpose Service

Bendoc Progress
Association

Wellness Clinic - Delegate MPS

This is a clinic where people come in for procedures or assessments by nursing staff.

This includes:

Wound care

Blood pressure readings

Blood sugar readings

Non-urgent ECG update hours!

Suture or clip removal

Other procedures that do not require a Doctor.

Wellness Clinic is held on the following days and times

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday & Friday

1.00pm-2.00pm

No appointment necessary. Closed Public Holidays.

The Delegate MPS will still be open as per usual, so if you have a health concern please come over and be assessed by the nursing staff.

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East Gippsland Shire Council Outreach Centre and Library.

We now have our own DVDs and Books for borrowing. Drop in and have a look and enjoy a free cuppa. Also have a look at the newer EGSC Library books.

Community Information Board

MOBILE LIBRARY The Mobile Library visits Bendoc as per calendar (once a fortnight) from 9.00am—10.00am. You are also able to sign up as a member (membership is free), borrow and return books here at the Bendoc Resource Centre. Where we have a broad range of books and DVDs that are rotated regularly for your enjoyment! Come in and browse our selection of books..

BENDOC BUS SERVICE Merimbula Day Trip—once a month on a Friday. Please phone Claire 6458 1433,

Nola 6458 3285 or Chris on 6458 1402 to book your seat. Usually 2nd Friday of Month..

Free internet is still available at the Bendoc Neighbourhood House, along with fax and photocopying services. Just drop in during opening hours

New times for DWELP Office Bendoc

Monday to Friday 10 am to 3 pm.

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5 March 2018

Dear Coordinator

Consideration of a Refugee Welcome Zone

The East Gippsland Asylum Seeker Support group is seeking an indication from the community as to the depth of support for East Gippsland Shire Council becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone.

The Refugee Council of Australia has initiated the concept of Refugee Welcome Zones through which Local Government Areas make a commitment to welcoming Refugees into their communities, upholding their human rights, demonstrating compassion and enhancing cultural and religious diversity. At the time of writing this letter, 144 Councils around Australia have made this commitment. Our goal is to have the East Gippsland Shire Council join this movement by signing the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration.

A Declaration does not require any formal obligations, statutory responsibilities or financial commitments. It simply shows broad support for welcoming Refugees and assisting them to settle in our community.

Some specific actions might be:-

- · Providing community assistance directories to help Refugees find and use services
- · Allowing free access to Council facilities, e.g. swimming pools. Libraries
- Supporting existing English tutoring programs
- Organising or supporting a Festival or other event in Refugee Week
- · Running employment assistance programs in cooperation with local employers

Throughout our history as a nation, Australia has provided a new home for migrants from more than 100 countries. Especially over the past 80 years, approximately 800,000 of these migrants we have welcomed have been Refugees. They have made a tremendous contribution to Australian society in fields such as medicine, science, engineering, education, sport and the arts. We believe it is to our mutual benefit to continue to welcome Refugees to our country.

To help us ascertain the community sentiment we welcome name/s and a Yes/No indication from individuals and/or your organisation to egassgroup@gmail.com.

If you have any questions or require further information we will be happy to meet with your group to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

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Pauline Try

The East Gippsland Asylum Seekers Support Group would like to hear your thoughts on the matter re the above letter we received this week

Delegate Pony Club Photographs











