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MOLYULLAH FIRE BRIGADE UPDATE AND SUNDAY DRIVER ROSTER

Thanks to our brigade members who make sure the truck and ultralight are in working order by taking them for a weekly Sunday drive.

Sunday Drive includes:

- Take the truck for a short drive
- If fuel is approaching ½ full or less, take the truck to Benalla and refuel
- Walk around truck to ensure everything is OK – lights etc working
- Run the pump
- Participate in radio schedule with Benalla Group (starts 10am Ch #365)
- Take ultralight tanker for a short drive
- Run pump on ultralight
- Fill in log book/s

29-Sep-24	Andrew Muller
06-Oct-24	John Ryan
13-Oct-24	John Jordan
20-Oct-24	Dion Stevenson
27-Oct-24	Bob Whytlaw
03-Nov-24	Peg Halbwidl
10-Nov-24	Andrew Barry
17-Nov-24	Damian Nicholls
24-Nov-24	Russell Byrne

If you are unable to do the Sunday drive, please let Dion Stevenson know on 0417 879500.

MOLYULLAH BRIGADE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DONATIONS

The Molyullah Brigade AGM was held on Monday 16th September, well attended by fire fighters and community members. Good discussion about community support for the brigade, including donations and the easiest way for community members to make a donation.

“Donations are still dwindling,” said Captain Dion Stevenson. “Our brigade’s running costs are supported significantly through the community’s contributions.

“You may think your fire levy is going toward your local brigade but it doesn’t come to us directly and unfortunately we see little – if any - of it.

“Our bank balance looks healthy, but we’ll need those reserves in the future to replace our Brigade-owned Ultralight.”

You can make an electronic donation (suggested amount between \$10-\$20 per household) using the following details:

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** Please make sure you include the Reference so the funds are transferred to our brigade account

Molyullah Fire Brigade (cont) COMING UP

11th October

Community Pre-Season Briefing – coinciding with Fish & Chip night at Molyullah Hall and including the Mobile Education Unit. Information about the upcoming fire season and practical tips for getting ready.

20th October

Firefighter Pre-season Drills and BBQ (including Hazardous Trees) from 10am at Molyullah Hall. Attendance a must if you want to turn out. New and interested members welcome.

Swanpool News

As Spring progresses, preparations are underway for the new Bowls season, and the Bowls Club is hosting another casserole night, following the success of the last one. Penant and social players alike are gearing up for what promises to be another great season.

Meanwhile, the Cinema celebrates its 33rd birthday on 12th October, and as ever, is providing a programme to suit all tastes. We bring you no fewer than three matinees this month, two of which are included in the Benalla Seniors' Festival, which means that tickets for seniors are a snip, at \$5 a head! This includes a cuppa and a biscuit on arrival, with films screening at 10.30am. The two Seniors Festival films are the much loved "Calendar Girls", screening on Friday 4th October, based on a true story about a group of middle aged Yorkshire women who came up with the idea of posing for a nude calendar to raise funds for cancer relief, and stars screen legends Helen Mirren and Julie Walters, and "June Again", screening on Friday 25th October, and starring Noni Hazlehurst.

Our stand alone matinee is "The Fabulous Four", starring Bette Midler, and screening on Friday 18th October at 10.30am, Two friends travel to Florida for a surprise wedding, and embark on a series of adventures together, guaranteed to make you smile. The programme also offers a range of fabulous French movies, and a fantastic new documentary about the Oils- "The Hardest Line: Midnight Oil". Pick up a programme at the Tavern, or at outlets in Benalla or check online, www.swanpoolcinema.com.au.

We look forward to welcoming you back! Deb

TOP DECK SLICE

250g Marie biscuits – crushed. 125g butter
½ cup sugar. 3 tablespoons cocoa
2 eggs – beaten. Block white chocolate

In a saucepan, melt butter with sugar and cocoa. Add crushed biscuits, then egg. Press mixture into a lined slice tin. Melt white chocolate and pour over slice. Refrigerate till set.

Sue O'Brien

TATONG GARAGE SALE

I am going to hold a garage sale again this year, at home, on the same day as the Tatong Recreation Reserve Sale, on the Benalla Festival weekend of **Sunday the 3rd of November '24**.

It will be a combined sale with advertising in the Benalla Ensign. This will help advertise the oval sale as well and help attract more buyers.

My address is 2587 Benalla-Tatong Rd, which is next door to the Tavern, and the opening hour is 8am, till late. Tel number 0428 273 613. (Please note the date in your diary.)

There will be some electrician stock for sale, some of it vintage (I find it hard to throw good stuff away). Also a wide variety of household, yard and shed items.

Mike Larkin



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TATONG TOPICS – OCTOBER 1924**Benalla Standard 3RD October 1924:****HUME AND HOVELL CENTENARY**

On Saturday last a public meeting was held at Samaria in connection with the Hume and Hovell Centenary celebrations. It was shown by a chart supplied by the Education Department that the explorers' route passed through the mountains on the south boundary of Samaria, and rested for several days in a valley now the property of Mr. Duffy. It was decided to erect a small cairn, with a suitably inscribed tablet on the spot shown on the chart as the camping place, and a committee was appointed to carry out the necessary arrangements in connection with the erection of a cairn, towards the cost of which shire funds have been granted, the meeting unanimously expressed the opinion that the only suitable site within the shire was where the Fernhills Road crosses the route of the explorers, about five miles south of Tatong, it being considered that a cairn erected off the route would, by reason of that fact alone, lose a good deal of its significance. It was decided to join with other districts interested in making an effort to secure the allocation of the shire grant for that purpose, and Messrs J. Ginnivan and W. Drummond were appointed to represent Samaria in any action taken in that direction.

Benalla Standard 14th October 1924:**TATONG RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST.**

(abridged). At a meeting of the Benalla and Tatong Railway Construction Trust on Monday last (Cr. T. F. Harrison in the chair). The Treasurer's Department has informed the secretary of the Trust that the interest on Victorian Government stock at credit of the sinking fund on 30th December, 1923, was £49/9/7, on an amount of stock of £3298. Mr. D. H. Coghill, Hon, secretary of the Tatong branch V.F.U., wrote the trust as follows: — At a meeting of this branch I was instructed to write to you re the reply received from the Minister for Railways, dealing with Section 63. The Crown Solicitor practically states that at any time the Trust has sufficient money to finalize, the Treasurer will make the money in inscribed stock available. In order to comply with this decision, will the Trust kindly supply a list of all taxpayers, and also the balance-sheet for the twelve months which is due about 1st September, 1924. These will be necessary, so that the Taxpayers' Association can circularise each taxpayer in regard to Section 64, as it is clear that the Treasurer will not pay any monies from inscribed stock this branch desires, and that the Trust should exercise the privilege conferred by this section, and utilise all monies in the repurchase of debentures from the sole holder, the Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Co., which firm is willing to negotiate as per copy of letter sent to you by the secretary of the Taxpayers' Association.

The Daily News. Perth WA. 18th October 1924:

A NOMAD'S LOSS. £200 ROBBERY ALLEGED. BENALLA. Saturday: Senior Constable Wickman was informed by telephone of a robbery from a man named Philip Maguire, who leads a nomadic life and carries on his person a considerable sum. Three men are alleged to have known that he possessed a big wallet and robbed him of £200 at a camp of development workers beyond Tatong. Three men have been detained by the police.

The Argus Melbourne 28th October 1924:

ACCIDENT AT SAWMILLS. BENALLA, Monday. A serious accident occurred at Spring Creek sawmills, near Tatong, early this morning as the result of which the manager of the mills (Alfred Cherry) and George Westcombe were injured. So far as can be ascertained the two men were standing near a wire rope used for hauling logs, and which is worked by a single cylinder winding engine. Apparently the wire had become entangled, for when it was released it struck the men, knocking them to the ground. Both sustained injuries to head and face. Cherry was later removed to a private hospital at Benalla.

Benalla Standard 28th October 1924:

Visit of Railway Commissioners.—

Arriving by special train, Messrs. Clapp, Shannon and Molomby, Railway Commissioners. will arrive at Benalla at 6.15 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12. The various public bodies are requested to notify the station master, not later than Friday, Nov. 7, of any matters they desire bringing before the Commissioners, so as to enable various deputations to be met. Mr. J. F. Regan, S.M. (*Station Master*), is not yet advised as to whether deputations will be received that evening but, as they depart for Tatong at 9 a.m. the next morning, it is more than likely that arrangements will be made for interviews on their arrival at Benalla.

Benalla Standard 31st October 1924:

Tatong Telephone. — Mr. D J. McClelland has received the following letter from Mr. Bright, deputy P.M- (*Post Master*) "With reference to previous correspondence in connection with the proposed establishment of new telephone offices in the Tatong district, I beg to inform that approval has been given for the adoption of the name ' Wild Dog' office, which is to be located at the place now designated Fern Hills."

Benalla Standard 31st October 1924:

Shire of Benalla – Tenders required up till 11 am. on Monday, 10th November, 1924, for the undermentioned works: —
Tatong Riding. Works between Clarke's and Chivers', Kilfeera road.
R.C; pipe culvert, etc., near Sullivan's, Tatong road.

Compiled by Barry O'Connor, Tatong Heritage Group.

DISADVANTAGED AND HOMELESS IN BENALLA AND SURROUNDS

In recognition of the above, the Benalla Homelessness Response Group (BHRG) was incorporated as a not-for-profit group late in 2023 and is currently waiting to be classified as a charitable organisation.

BHRG Inc is a grass roots community organisation. Our purpose is to provide compassionate support and appropriate resources to assist our homeless and disadvantaged community members, and to raise awareness regarding hardship.

The Committee is chaired by Kate Holmes and has a diverse range of committee members.

Needless to say, it is run on volunteers and if you would like to help, there is a volunteer form available on the Group facebook page dated 15th August or you can become a member – form attached or online at <https://forms.gle/eXXwQJbKVwnXmpSF9>

Several projects are underway, the most important being the Welcome Kitchen. Lions have come on board and are providing their food van on a Sunday afternoon from 4.00pm – 6.00pm so that we can provide hot meals. Along with this will be a food relief table. Food n Fare are donating fruit and vegetables and have a 'pay it forward jar' so please consider donating towards this as it all helps. Woolworths have also been very helpful in having a trolley available for donations. As the van is locating under the library, Council is providing electricity. Food preparation is being done on the Friday before at the Life Church kitchen. At present, this will be weekly with looking forward to fortnightly or monthly.

In late August, we put together 49 male, female and family care packs with items donated by the generous community and these were distributed to the police station foyer, library, swimming pool, information centre, community hub and other like-minded organisations. More of these will be required closer to Christmas.

We are working towards providing lockers for storage of personal property as people experiencing homelessness want somewhere safe to store their belongings during the day.

Showers and laundry facilities are high on the list and require suitable, central locations. If you have any suggestions of available, rent-free buildings please contact me on my number below.

Here is the BHRG number for help currently monitored three days a week. With more volunteers we will be able increase the days.

The number is 0494 134 957

If you would like to assist us in providing meals any help towards supplying our pantry with non-perishable goods, would be appreciated. Items needed are:

Dried spaghetti and other pasta including lasagna sheets (some gluten free)

Tins of tomatoes, tomato paste Worcester sauce, gluten free soya sauce

Gluten free and non-gluten free plain flour. Passata tomato puree. Pasta sauce.

Campbell's chicken stock. Campbell's vegetable stock.

Massel beef, chicken or vegetable stock cubes

Gravy powder. Long life milk. Lactose free long-life milk.

Tea. Coffee. Milo

Sue O'Brien or myself will happily accept any of the above items with gratitude.

As our Chair, Kate Holmes, recently wrote in an email to volunteers and members -
'As we develop the next stage of this work together, it won't be perfect. We will need to stop and reflect. We will find ourselves challenged and have our hearts opened further and our ways of thinking may be called to evolve. Most importantly we are all committed to offering a hand, with the understanding that the hand does not have to be accepted. Many thanks to the community of Benalla, our neighbours and surrounding region for opening your hearts to bring compassionate support, friendship and community to those in need. May we create a brave, non-judgemental and compassionate space in this work together.'

With thanks and appreciation,
Nicki McFarlane
0428 696 408

Room at the Table Inc is an inclusive and diverse not for profit community organisation / social enterprise; there is room at the table for everyone wherever they are in their journey of life. RATT offers a range of non-sport activities such as boardgames, trading card games, tabletop role-playing games and more, with the goal of reducing social isolation and building connections with others in a safe space that is open to all, improving social inclusion for everyone, but also with a focus on those experiencing social stigma for whatever reason. Based in Benalla with rooms at the Benalla Gliding Club, RATT is open to everyone in Benalla Rural City, north east Victoria and beyond. We have room at the table for families of all kinds, people with disabilities/health issues, single people, people from different cultures, people of different races, teens, the LGBTQIA+ community, adults of all ages, neurotypicals, the neurodiverse. There is *room at the table* for everyone. Running since Feb 2021, founded by Tim & Carla Gardner and Tricia Jarvis and run by a group of diverse volunteers.
Carla

Open Letter to Kathy Zoethout

Dear Kathy
I send you my best of wishes.
I would like to thank you for your wonderful gardening page in the Tatong Tattler over many years. Your information has been a huge help to me in solving some of my gardening mishaps.
When John and I lived in Tatong, you made us feel very welcome in the community.
Again, I would like to say thank you and appreciation for your gardening tips, solving problems and your expertise in gardening.
My kind regards
Elaine (BroganOAM).

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Daze Past - from 2018 . As Kathy is unwell we are publishing some of her past articles. Ed



Garden Daze

The best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago - the next best time is now



Well - this is it - with the

September equinox* behind us: the days are now longer than the nights - and to Gardeners - this time of the year - means - lots of planting!

THE VEGIE GARDEN IN OCTOBER

PLANT: Potatoes, globe artichoke and chive divisions. Also seedlings of cabbage, cauliflower, celery, broccoli, leek, lettuce, salad and spring onion, leeks and towards the end of the month seedlings of tomato, zucchini, pumpkin, squash, bush and climbing beans and sweet corn.

SOW DIRECT: Carrot, beetroot, parsnip, silver beet, cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, lettuce, spring and salad onion, leeks, late peas, tomato, zucchini, pumpkin, squash and sweet corn. Under glass or in containers sow cucumber, eggplant, capsicum and tomato.

Given that the frosts have been severe for this time of the year - pet bottles with the bottoms cut out and the lids off make good covers for tender vegetables such as tomatoes, capsicum and eggplant. By the time the little plants are climbing through the tops—the "coast should be clear" and the frosts gone at last.



Chewed stalks - It took some time to discover the culprit, but the King Parrots have been quite destructive in a couple of areas of the garden.

First I had noticed that "something" had chewed the stalks of the rhubarb

causing them to droop and the leaves to hit the ground. Then some geraniums have been almost totally destroyed - looking as if they have been set upon by someone wielding a large stick. One patch of geraniums have been almost totally destroyed.

All the stalks stripped back to a few dry strands and the ends of the branches "hanging by a thread".

Then one day while having lunch, out the window we saw a King Parrot, beak full of strips of geranium stalk, having a lovely time.

Another victim was the lovely lemon scented Winter Honey-suckle bush planted next to the path, so we can enjoy the perfume, and the bees can get some winter food. Not this year tho - the King Parrots -sometimes as many as eight or nine at a time - have eaten all the flowers.



Something Bright - and Something Practical



This year I am planning on planting lots of Sun-flowers as they look so bright and cheerful. It is also time



that I planted some more giant gourds, as the ones that I have grown in the past have all been used as Guinea Pig houses and have fallen to bits - helped along by Chewing Guineas, who like to enlarge their doorways.

And Something Wrong . . .

This year - my tomato seedlings have had a series of set backs.

First - a mouse found its way into my Hot Box via a small hole down at ground (mouse) level, and ate the seeds.

Second - the next lot of seeds came up, but then died .. Was it the cold? Or the dreaded "die-back"?

So I tried again - talk about a glutton for punishment - this time with a totally different growing medium. At first all looked to be well - then a couple of days ago - they all bit the dust - again!

Some seeds - from a reputable seed supplier - have not shown their heads at all - and these were - tomato, capsicum, marigolds and sweet corn.

Yes - I am about to try again. By now I won't use the Hot Box but the Hot House as the weather is warming up.

The main problem with all this try, try again business is that my carefully saved seeds - some from special tomatoes given by friends and only known by the givers name - are being depleted.

** The equinoxes are the only times when the solar terminator (the "edge" between night and day) is perpendicular to the equator. As a result, the northern and southern hemispheres are equally illuminated. The word comes from Latin Aequus, meaning "equal", and Nox, meaning "night".*

In other words, the equinoxes are the only times when the subsolar point is on the equator, meaning that the Sun is exactly overhead at a point on the equatorial line. The subsolar point crosses the equator moving northward at the March equinox and southward at the September equinox.



Kathy Z

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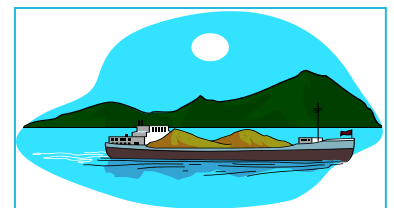


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Now, fast foward a while. A loooooong time, I hope. Time catches up with us all. The day will come when the shed needs to be cleaned out.

What will be found? Who is doing it? Will they know what half the stuff is?

It is unfair when the precious tools invested in long since, pre-date cheap imported stuff. A once prized possession that can now be had from Bunnings for a pittance, even if it only lasts five minutes.

Though a socket set might be valued by someone who reckons that if it is over 20 years old, it will be much better quality than the modern stuff.

Pumps salted away for the day they will be needed. A drum of oil put in a corner and forgotten. That ladder you've had forever and a day, but really ought not climb up any more.

A beautiful punch in a wooden box, which would have been so handy, had the need arisen. The chainsaw... now come on, you don't need a chainsaw any more. What do you mean, just in case? Neither of us can lift it up!

The treasures of a lifetimes, flogged on Marketplace and Gumtree and various Buy Swap Sell pages. Corded tools are less valued in this battery-driven life, except when someone will drive from Shepparton for a

corded Pressure Washer because he reckons all the others are cr*p. Nobody wants a Tap & Die set, but for "Drill Bits, Large, Reduced Shank" the phone dings with pleas from Melbourne, and Geelong, and could they be posted?

The shed begins to look empty. Old friends are whisked away to a new life. It is somehow reassuring that in this decadent day and age, people still want a nice crowbar. Just as well. Neither of us can lift that, either.

- Andi Stevenson



Age Well in Benalla Info Hub
Benalla Senior Citizens Community Centre – U3A Room 2

March 27	10am – 12noon
April 10	10am – 12noon
April 24	10am – 12noon
May 8	10am – 12noon
May 22	10am – 12noon
June 5	10am – 12noon
June 19	10am – 12noon
July 3	10am – 12noon
July 17	10am – 12noon
July 31	10am – 12noon
August 14	10am – 12noon
August 28	10am – 12noon
September 11	10am – 12noon
September 25	10am – 12noon
October 9	10am – 12noon
October 23	10am – 12noon
November 6	10am – 12noon
November 20	10am – 12noon
December 4	10am – 12noon
December 18	10am – 12noon

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2024 Tatong Tattler Writing Competition

During 2024 the Tattler Committee may at times award a prize of a voucher towards a meal at the Tatong Tavern.

We will be assessing submissions received by the Tattler, of original work up to 1,000 words, of fiction, biography, comedy, poetry, etc.

Entries might be published in the Tatong Tattler, at the discretion of the committee.

Judgment will be by the Tatong Tattler Committee; any judgement will be final and not open to argument, threats, or bribery.

The judges may change the rules at their discretion.

WHATS ON IN THE AREA IN OCTOBER

Wed 2nd White gate dinner at the tavern 6.30pm
 Fri 4th Matinee Swanpool theatre 10.30am. Calendar girls
 Sat 5th Movie Swanpool theatre 6pm
 Sun 6th Archery at Rec reserve 1.30pm
 Sun 6th Movie Swanpool theatre 6pm
 Wed 9th Tatong dinner at the tavern 6.30pm
 Fri 11th Molyullah fish & chip night
 Sat 12th Movie Swanpool theatre 6pm
 Sun 13th Movie Swanpool theatre 6pm
 Fri 18th Girls shed Tatong from 9am
 Fri 18th Matinee Swanpool theatre 10.30am. The Fabulous Four
 Sat 19th Movie Swanpool theatre 6pm
 Sun 20th Rec committee working bee 9am
 Sun 20th Archery at Rec reserve 1.30pm
 Sun 20th Movie Swanpool 6pm
 Fri 25th Matinee Swanpool theatre 10.30am. June Again
 Sat 26th Movie Swanpool theatre 6pm
 Sun 27th Movies Swanpool theatre 6pm

If you have an activity, meeting date, market, sports event or anything else you would like people to know about that's on in November please send the details to tattler.whatson@gmail.com by the 19th of October



TATONG FIRE BRIGADE ROSTER FOR OCTOBER

Date	Truck	Ultralight
6 th	Terry O'Brien	Mick Gaudion
13 th	Chris Wylie	Lynda Wylie
20 th	Jason Nichols	Jamieson Nichols
27 th	Joe Hakkeness	Chris McGee

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Sue O'Brien

White Gate News



The next **White Gate dinner @ the Tavern** will be **Wednesday Oct 2nd**. 2024 is shrinking - *Andi*

On the De Fazio Dairy Farm Spring has taken a new turn. We have a visiting thrush, probably a Grey Shrike Thrush which has been very vocal, loudly vocal for several weeks.

We have now found a nest on top of our 'salami' fridge between my shoes which were sitting on top of the fridge. Don't think I'll be wearing those for a while! - *Linda De Fazio*



It takes a village to round up the cows for milking these days. A canine village - a brawny but dopey hound, an overly-energetic border collie pup, a sweet but clueless foxy, and an overweight cranky chihuahua. What a sight. The poor cows don't know if they are being hunted, corralled or licked to death. - *Caryn De Fazio*



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White Gate Fire Brigade Roster:

Noel Hutchens	29 Sep	Andrew Marriott	27 Oct
Bill Ferguson	6 Oct	Terry Trounson	3 Nov
Norton Grimwade	13 Oct	Les MacLean	10 Nov
Henry Thorne	20 Oct	James Parton	17 Nov

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2015	44.7	29.1	5.7	87.4	70	33.7	97.3	69.4	25.7	13.7	55.5	81.7	613.9
2016	69.7	11.9	36.9	38.5	117.2	110.5	142.8	108.4	172.1	91.4	50.1	101.3	1050.
2017	67.6	36.2	49.1	61.7	52.5	6.5	92.1	112.4	23.9	100.1	29.3	118.9	760.3
2018	34.3	6.4	24.9	13.7	49.8	67.2	52.8	81.2	25.1	22.3	75	73.1	525.8
2019	27.7	13.2	23.8	22.7	105	72.9	83.7	49.4	51.3	34.9	37.9	40.8	563.3
2020	63.6	35.6	88.4	207.	53	77	43.5	66.8	49.4	132	34.1	40.7	891.3
2021	76.6	47.8	39.6	8.2	66.5	99.3	154.9	51.5	92.6	66.5	111	40.5	855
2022	219.3	4.8	72.7	81.4	42.5	102.5	49.7	126.6	111.9	232.2	139.2	25	1217
2023	25	18.7	61.1	62.8	59.2	197.6	51.1	67.2	25.2	120.8	57.1	98.2	846
2024	156.4	17.6	14.7	26.9	73.8	53.1	76.7	47					466.2

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