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*invite you to commemorate the*  
**200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of**  
***Hume and Hovell Expedition***

**When:** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 11.00am

**Where:** Hume & Hovell Cairn

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Photo courtesy of the Harrison Family

After the proceedings, a light luncheon will be available at the Tatong Memorial Hall. For catering purposes, it would be appreciated if you could notify of your attendance by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024.



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**TATONG TOPICS – NOVEMBER 1924****The Age Melbourne 1<sup>st</sup> November 1924:**

DISTRICT NEWS - BENALLA.

.....In the police court James Keep was committed for trial on a charge of having stolen £200, the property of Bernard Maguire. Two other men named Fitzpatrick and O'Keefe were also arrested in connection with the offence, which was committed at Tatong between August and October. Maguire was in the habit of carrying his money with him in a sugar bag, and the three men discovered this fact. The weight of evidence was against Keep. O'Keefe was discharged. Fitzpatrick was used as a Crown witness. Only £57/10/- was recovered.

.....Veronica McSwiney, licensee of the Railway Hotel, Baddaginnie, was fined £5, with 2/- costs, for having had the bar door open during prohibited hours. A man found on the premises was fined.

.....The Postal department has informed the residents of Tatong that approval has been given for the adoption of the name 'Wild Dog' at the office at Fern Hills.

.....The Education department has advised the secretary for the Spring Creek Saw Mills, near Tatong, that a full-time school will be at once established at the new mill site on the forest tableland for the benefit of the children of the company's employees.

**Benalla Standard 4<sup>th</sup> November 1924:**

TATONG SPORTS CLUB.

A meeting of the Tatong Sports Club was held in the Tatong Public Hall on Tuesday evening last, Mr. J. Monaghan (president) occupied the chair, and stated that the business of the meeting was to deal with the resignation of the secretary, Mr. J. West, who had left the district and to appoint another in his place. He regretted that there were so few present to deal with the sports, as some had spoken in favour of holding a gathering about Christmas time. On the motion of Mr. Coghill, seconded by Mr. T. McCauley, the resignation of the Hon. Secretary was accepted with regret, as they considered Mr. West had been most capable, and had devoted a lot of time to the club. The Chairman also endorsed their remarks. Mr. T. McCauley, was appointed Hon. Secretary. As it was considered unlikely that sports would be held this year, the question of investing the money in hand (about £18) was considered. It was decided to lend to the hall committee at 4 percent interest, with the stipulation that it should be repaid to the Sports Club on demand,

**The Age Melbourne 5<sup>th</sup> November 1924:**

The Postmaster-General has decided to open a receiving office at the Spring Creek Saw Mills, and to establish a tri-weekly service to Tatong, from the new office, which will be known as Dueran. *'Dueran' taken up by squatters in the 1830's, was one of the district's original five 'runs'. The name is believed to be an old European family name.*

**The Argus Melbourne 7<sup>th</sup> November 1924:**

HUME-HOVELL CENTENARY.

Unveiling Memorials. (*abridged*).

A committee composed of representatives of the Education and Lands Departments, the Historical Society, the National Parks Association, the Tourists' Resorts Committee, and the Automobile Club of Victoria has been formed in Melbourne to co-ordinate and enlarge the steps that have already been taken for celebrating the centenary. Sir James Barrett is the chairman. The itinerary is as follows:-

First Party, November 20. Leave Wangaratta for Benalla and unveil cairns at Warrenbayne (11.30), Violet Town (12.30), Euroa (1.30), and Avenel (2.30). Proceed to Seymour. 21<sup>st</sup> Unveil cairn at Seymour (11), and leave for Broadford to unveil memorial (1.30).

Second Party, November 19. - Leave Albury for Wangaratta. unveiling ceremonies at Moyhu (2.30), Hansonville (3.30), Molyullah (4.30). Proceed to Benalla. 20<sup>th</sup> Leave Benalla. Party divides. First division unveils cairns at Swanpool and Barjarg, if desired. Second division unveils cairns at Tatong (11) and Samaria (12.30). United party lunches at Doon (*now Bonnie Doon*) and unveils cairns at Woodfield (3) and Yarck (4.30). 21<sup>st</sup> Unveil memorials at Yea (11), Strath Creek (12.30), and join first party at Broadford.

**The Age Melbourne 12<sup>th</sup> November 1924:**

RAILWAY WASHAWAY. BENALLA.— Owing to the recent flood a serious washaway occurred on the Tatong line, between Mallum and Tatong, the earthen foundations were dislodged for some distance, leaving the rails high and dry. Repairs have been affected and normal traffic resumed.

**Benalla Standard 18<sup>th</sup> November 1924:**

A meeting of the Hume and Hovell Centenary committee of Tatong was held in the Tatong hall on Wednesday evening last. Final arrangements for the completion of the cairn were made. A good programme of races was drawn up for the children. It was also decided to provide hot water and milk free. Cr. A Harrison stated that the councillors had accepted the invitation to be present, and they would be treated as guests. Messrs. H. J. Wallace, A. Ritchie and Cr. A. Harrison were appointed judges, and Mr J. Haig and the school-teachers, handicapper. The balance of the committee to act as stewards. It was decided to finish the day with a dance in the evening in aid of the funds.

**The Age Melbourne 29<sup>th</sup> November 1924:**

Tatong residents have accepted the offer of Messrs. C. and R. Hughes of a site on their property for a rifle range, with distances to 2000 yards. Application has been made for registration. Cr. D. Harrison has been elected president, and Mr. T. Haig hon. secretary.

Compiled by Barry O'Connor, Tatong Heritage Group.

Molyullah Update

On Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> September the Veteran Vintage & Classic Vehicle Club of Wangaratta hosted a rally which visited the local district and requested that we provide them with lunch.

We called out for help with the catering for the dessert table and the community and surrounding district pulled out all stops and provided the most sensational array of cakes and desserts that I have ever seen.

It is not an easy task to provide a sit-down lunch for 119 people. To all that helped from setting up the tables, to decorating the hall, preparing salads, cooking the BBQ, providing sweet treats, serving and the cleanup.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You! Michelle Ramage



**Ain't Nothin' But a Hound Dog** 

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The hound has been smug of late, accruing a graveyard of dead rats from behind the chook house and geese pen. This has more to do with rat bait making the vermin drowsy than Tucker's hunting skills. Still, he is proud of his bounty and is rewarded accordingly with treats.

Rat hunting has been abandoned recently after a very unfortunate encounter with a nesting goose. Tucker unknowingly trespassed on the sacred nesting area of a clucky goose in his search for rats. Nose buried deep in the hole under the fowl house, paws frantically digging, his rear end was exposed and his furiously wagging tail was too tempting for the irate goose. Head down and furious, the clucky mama bee-lined straight for Tucker's exposed behind, pecking directly on his derriere. A tremendous howl erupted, not from pain, more the shock of being assaulted from behind with his head stuck under the shed. Wrenching himself free, the huge hound bolted for the gate, unharmed but humiliated and offended at being ambushed by such a small, unassuming female.

Tucker has not returned to the area, yet funnily enough, the Smith Road rat culling continues without his help. Lesson learned: don't tread on a broody mama's turf.  
- Caryn De Fazio

# Gawn to Town

A chest freezer is a fine thing to have (so long as your back is ok about fishing items out from the bottom corners.) You can fit a lot into a chest freezer... a sheep, for instance... indeed, depending on the size of the freezer, you can fit in a cow. This is easier done when the cow is dead and butchered.

To what extent two people who no longer eat much actually need a chest freezer, I am unsure. But when, not long ago, I suggested replacing ours with a side-by-side fridge/freezer, my partner said that was fine, but he'd keep the chest freezer as well. All the more room for dog-bones and ice-cream.

A good freezer, whatever it's configuration, is handy for those who like to cook ahead. Make a decent size casserole and get three or four more meals out of it. A good freezer is also handy for thrifty shoppers, who buy another couple of those things cos they're on a *really* good special. And for hoarders they are frighteningly good.

A freezer is an important background power user. Doing without the lights for a few days is one thing, but the fridge and the freezer need their watts. I know of a guy who was going away for a couple of weeks, and thought it would be good to conserve power by turning the house off at the mains. He'd forgotten the freezer; and the half a beast just put in it. Luckily, another family member checked the house a few hours later, and turned the power back on.

When it came to moving, I had given a lot of thought to how to manage the fridge and freezer; I had it all planned. Long ago I learnt that a fridge has to be turned off well before it is moved, and that it must be left to sit 24 hours before turning on again. So, if the chest freezer stayed put and followed us a few days later, I could put the frozens from the fridge into the freezer, and the cold goods with ice packs from the chest freezer into an esky, and then the fridge could be moved, and once it was going again, so long as I had sufficiently emptied the chest freezer, everything could go into the fridge freezer (clearly, not an entire beast) when the time came for the chest freezer to follow us..

But the nice guy from the removals company said they'd been moving fridges and freezers for years, and they just un-plug them immediately before moving them, then plug them back in. He said, it *is* a good idea to get the breakables out of the fridge beforehand. Heresy! Sacrilege! But gee, it worked well.

The day comes when the chest freezer dies. Our freezer-before-the-current one died some 20 years ago. We came home from a Sunday bike ride, and got ice-creams out of the big freezer, to find that they were suspiciously floppy. Once we'd rapidly transferred the contents of the freezer into a kind friend's freezer (note; having friends and neighbours with an empty but functional freezer can be very handy) the question arose; now we weren't far from town, should we really get another chest freezer? It took about two minutes to agree that yes we would - we'd just get a slightly smaller one.

And a dead freezer is a marvellous, rodent-proof storage chest. Every shed needs a dead freezer in it. Just break that seal a fraction; a bit of heavy-gauge wire does the trick; otherwise the interior can become a little rank.

- Andi Stevenson

**NEWS AND MUSINGS**

The main news is that I have experienced a minor stroke but which has consequences for my lifestyle. The main symptom is tingling in the left hand which occurs irregularly but while the condition persists I cannot drive a vehicle. The ongoing everyday treatment is a restricted diet in order to remove the major suspects, sugar and carbohydrates (a principle from the Keto diet which broadly speaking replaces carbs with fats.)

Murphy's Law also played its part by adding disturbed sleep patterns and a very snotty cold just to ensure that I got variations on the theme of suffering!

**Because the following writing is contentious I want to make clear that it is entirely my own viewpoint and does not represent that of the Tattler.**

Regarding the election of Benalla Council members and the forum at the All Black's clubrooms where candidates who attended could be quizzed about policy and outlook. I did not attend but the Ensign newspaper helped clarify a clearly dominant issue for voters, that of the Climate Emergency Declaration. This issue is entirely political and should only be of minor concern for a rural Council.

It is patently obvious that there is virtually no intelligible evidence of CC that is available to the average person. Anecdotes about extreme weather are not science. Many apparent experts, even those with scientific background, have made predictions about seawater flooding and rivers and dams drying up. Al Gore's 'Inconvenient Truth' documentary has been proven to contain flimsy facts and exaggeration. Due to the obvious failure of these 'prophets' should we not be dubious about the whole scenario of doom, let alone call it an emergency. When cracks appear in brittle glass and other housewares we know that they will not last .

The worst aspect of activist zealotry is the disrespect truth and fact. The statement 'trust the science', for example, is blatant intimidation used to silence those who actually want to question and verify the 'science'. This kind of hysteria has happened before in history when many innocents were vilified and even killed for standing up for authentic principles and truth. While 'rocking the boat' can be really annoying and unsettling there is far worse consequences in store for a population that ignores the malevolent despots behind such schemes. In order to display some balance over this issue I am aware that some climate change is normal due to many factors, most of which are out of the control of humans. I also understand that humans are probably the only creature that causes major damage to all of nature and themselves on this precious earth. Such human destructiveness can only be overcome when truth lies behind all of our thinking and grand endeavours.

Mike Larkin

Two small children went into their parents' bathroom and spotted their mothers bathroom scales on the floor. 'Whatever you do' said the older one 'don't step on them' 'why not?' said the younger one. 'Every time Mum steps on them, she screams,

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

Sue O'Brien

**CFA Brigade News**

Hello All,

The Tatong Brigade held a general meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September which was well attended. Issues discussed included financial arrangements and training updates. Members will have received a brief report about the outcomes.

The season is warming up and I would like to remind residents to begin their preparations for the fire season. Develop a plan ahead of time. Will you stay or leave? Reducing fuel and flammable items around your property will help to keep the intensity of a fire as low as possible. Make sure working smoke detectors are installed. Keep an eye on the fire danger rating for each day. The rating should act as a trigger for your plan.



Training has resumed on a fortnightly basis on Tuesday evenings. It is expected that all active firefighters attend at least one training session in the lead-up to the season. You wouldn't take the field in a football game without having put in some pre-season training and we all need to ensure we can turn out safely.

Thanks go to Leigh, Claire, Terry O, and Bob for volunteering to attend the group exercise in Wangaratta on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October. Valuable experience was gained I am told.

All the best,  
Jason Nichols  
Captain Tatong CFA

**Marvel at the marbling.**

Everyone has heard about the marbled beef in Japan.

Well, some is so marbled that it is almost white.

Price appears to be directly proportional to the marbling. The



steak at the top of the picture above is the equivalent of \$500 / kg.

In a restaurant, a 150gm steak might well cost you \$150 or \$1000 / kg!

It's your shout.

John Knapper

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

### Ideal Weather for Growing Vegies

**Beetroot** - now is a great time to get a crop in the ground and as with all root crops - direct sowing is best.



Beetroot like a sunny spot and good drainage. Loosen up the soil, breaking up any clods - a metal rake works well - pull gently over the surface of the soil to break up larger lumps and pull out any stones.

Then work the soil to a fairly fine tilth - this will provide good conditions for seed germination, root development and for good water infiltration and aeration. Sprinkle some blood and bone over the surface - about a handful per square metre - work this in with the rake, and all is ready for sowing seed.

Make some drills - a short piece of dowel comes in handy here, pressed onto the soil surface with spacings about 30 cm's apart. Spread the seeds along the drills at intervals of around 3cm, cover with soil and water them in.

### Beetroot, Boron and our Deficient Soils.

One thing with Beetroot to be aware of is boron. It's a nutrient that beetroot plants *must* have to grow properly, but most of our soils are deficient. Boron is available in powdered form at most garden centres (and it might just be in the washing powder section at the hardware store - look for *Borax* (same thing)). About a teaspoonful dissolved in a watering can and poured over the soil at planting time will provide all the added boron the beetroot will need for the season.

Keep the bed moist, and the seedlings should be up in about 10 days. Each beetroot "seed" is actually a cluster of small seeds, so more will come up than expected. The



little plants can be thinned out when they are just big enough to handle. Next bit of thinning, (and providing the first harvest of young sweet beets) is when the roots are around golf ball size. Aim for a final spacing of around 10cm to allow the remaining crop to mature.

Beetroot are best when grown quickly. Regular watering and the application of some heavily diluted liquid kelp and fish emulsion every week or so should ensure a plentiful supply.

### And Now for a Very Useful Plant . . .



Russian, or Elephant Garlic *Allium ampeloprasum* looks like giant garlic but is a close relative of the leek and is only distantly related to true garlic *Allium sativum*. Mildly sweet, the flavour is somewhere between garlic and leeks. High in vitamins A, C & E

the cloves and rounds are large, easy to peel and can be eaten cooked or raw. With many of the same uses as onions they can be sliced into salads, added to soups, casseroles or stews, baked in the oven with a roast, or simply used as a vegetable (maybe with a nice sauce). Individual flowers can also be eaten, added to salads or used as a garnish.

With their striking looks - flowers, fresh or dried, can be used in flower arrangements. Planted at the back of rose borders or near climbing roses Russian Garlic will help keep aphids and other pests at bay.

Cloves can be planted in Spring or Autumn. Plant the cloves and rounds blunt or root ends down about 30 centimetres apart. The tops of the bulbs should be about 5 centimetres below the soil



surface. Plants do best in a rich, deeply cultivated bed and like full sun and well-drained soil, but they are very hardy and really need no special treatment. It grows from the tropics to temperate Australia and tends to grow taller and to have a stronger flavour in cooler regions.

In the Vegie Garden it is useful for Russian Garlic to have a dedicated bed as the large (10 to 15 cm diameter) bulbs form under the soil, and consist of 3 to 8 cloves. External to these cloves are small bulblets, up to one centimetre across. Plants that do not flower can form a single, large, round clove, up to 4 centimetres across. Plants grown from rounds or from very large cloves frequently produce a large bulb with several cloves and a flower stalk. Plants grown from a smaller clove or from a bulblet usually produce a round and no flower stalk. So Russian garlic tends to alternate between the production of cloves and the production of rounds, and to go to seed only every second year. A well-established clump will usually have a mixture of bulbs with cloves and rounds, so there will always be some flower heads. Large attractive mauve flowers are produced in summer with on a single long stalk.

Bulbs are harvested when the flowers begin to dry out. This may not occur until the 3rd year after planting. Dig the whole plant and hang the bulbs to dry with part of the stem attached, in a shady but dry position.

Whilst Russian Garlic may not be true garlic there is much about it to be recommended.

Kathy Z

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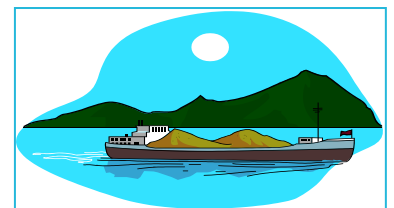


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## White Gate



## Dates

The next **White Gate dinner @ the Tavern** will be **Wednesday November 6th**, following the Melbourne Cup. Anyone caught trying to nobble their neighbour will have to run around the Tavern three times. - *Andi*

On the De Fazio Dairy farm we have been busy making some very welcome silage. The Dairyfarmer is looking anxiously at the weather charts, hoping for rain and a chance to cut some hay. It will be a long year indeed if we need to buy all our hay.

On a different note in last month's Tattler in Kathy Z's column she wrote about the destructive habits of King Parrots, the plants appearing to have been flattened with a stick. Here I have the evidence! But, the parrots are beautiful.! - *Linda De Fazio*

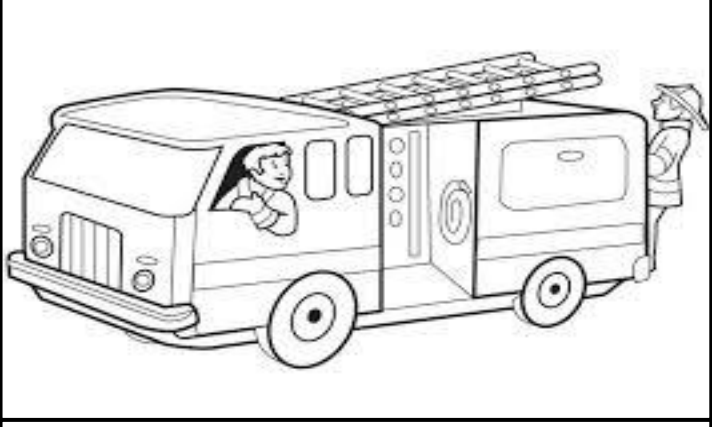


## White Gate Fire Brigade Roster:

Andrew Marriott	27 Oct	Angus McMillan	24 Nov
Terry Trounson	3 Nov	Hamish McMillan	1 Dec
Les MacLean	10 Nov	Laurie De Fazio	8 Dec
James Parton	17 Nov	Alan Stafford	15 Dec

**WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA IN NOVEMBER**  
 Sat 2nd Working bee at the rec reserve prior to market  
 Sun 3rd No archery as the market is on.  
 Sun 3rd Tatong Market & More at the Rec Reserve 9 am till 12 noon  
 Wed 6th White gate dinner at the Tavern 6.30pm  
 Fri 8th Molyullah fish & chip night 6 pm  
 Mon 11th Remembrance day  
 Wed 13th Tatong dinner at the Tavern 6.30 pm  
 Fri 15th Girls shed Tatong hall from 9 am  
 Thurs 21st Tattler Meeting at the Tavern 2 pm  
 The Swanpool theatre program is not yet available.  
 Sue O'Brien.

If you have an activity, meeting date, market, sports event or anything else you would like people to know about that's on in December please send the details to [tattler.whatson@gmail.com](mailto:tattler.whatson@gmail.com) by the 19<sup>th</sup> of November



**Tatong Fire Brigade Roster for November**

Date	Truck	Ultralight
Sun 3rd	Ash Chaplin	Paul Montgomery
Sun 10th	Leigh O'Gorman	Tim Butler
Sun 17th	Jason Nichols	Jamieson Nichols
Sun 24th	Dennis Hevey	Bob Mazurak

**CHRISTMAS INVITATION** **Sue O'Brien**  
 Tatong get together at the Tavern  
 Wednesday 11th December 6.30pm  
 Please phone 57672210 to book.  
 We ask if possible that you bring  
 Along an item or two, as we intend  
 to put something together some Christmas  
 items for the Benalla homeless response group.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

As spring slides into summer with warmer and longer days it's time to cast off the shackles of cold weather comfort food for the zingy fresh flavours of what's coming into season. Think artichokes, asparagus, beetroot, fennel, rhubarb and of course salad greens. Artichokes are delicious trimmed, choke removed and tossed in lemon juice, to stop oxidising, before sautéing in lots of olive oil with garlic. Add loads of freshly chopped parsley and you have a base for pasta or rice dishes. In Greek cookery trimmed artichokes are tossed with oil and baby potatoes and stewed in a little water and white wine until tender – delicious with BBQ lamb or chicken. Asparagus is so different when in season and local, a far cry from the imported variety available out of its natural season. Mix 2 bunches of trimmed and chopped asparagus with 3 beaten eggs and 300g cream, add grated gyryere or fontina cheese, about 150g, and pour into a pastry lined pie or flan dish. Bake in a pre heated oven at 380 degrees for approx 30/40 mins, serve with salad and bingo lunch or dinner sorted. Sliced asparagus is also delicious in a risotto with or without crispy pancetta scattered on top at the finish. Beetroot has more uses than just pickled. It's delicious roasted with other root vegetables, makes a fine raw salad when grated and is amazing in a beetroot and chocolate cake, google the Colin Fassnidge recipe, it's Devine ! Fennel I love both raw and cooked, either roasted or braised. Finely sliced raw it adds texture and a savoury aniseed flavour to mixed salads. Roasted with kipfler potatoes and ripe Roma tomatoes it's a perfect dish to serve with any BBQ or roasted meats. Braised with sliced eshallots, white wine and a little chicken stock fennel makes a lovely base for fish, add chopped dill to serve. In my house Rhubarb loves to be cleaned, chopped and roasted in a little honey before cooling and making into a galette or pie. It's also perfect for jam making and works well with scones and cream. Lemons are still pretty abundant and my go to lemon recipe at present is a Lemon yogurt cake. Heat oven to 380 degrees, grease and line a 23cm cake pan Place 180g vegetable oil, 2 eggs, 1 teas lemon zest and 60ml lemon juice, 280g Greek style plain yogurt and 250g caster sugar in a food processor. Whisk until well combined (about a minute) Add 300g self raising flour and 50g almond flour (almond meal) and whisk again for approx 1 minute. Pour into pan, smooth top and bake for 50 mins. Check centre is cooked with a skewer. Cool in pan. Top with a lemon drizzle icing if desired. Last time I made this I had 6 medium apples that needed using and a punnet of blueberries. I peeled, cored and sliced the apples and mixed with the blueberries. These I folded into the cake batter and poured into a 30x10cm foil tray and baked it for approx 1 hr. It's a very moist cake, keeps well and also freezes very well.  
 Carole Ruta

**Ed. Welcome back Carole.**

**GARAGE SALES SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
 A reminder about the two Garage Sales being held in Tatong during the Benalla Festival on Sunday November the 3<sup>rd</sup>. The main sale is being held at the Tatong Rec Reserve oval and the private combined sale at my yard and garages, number 2587 Benalla-Tatong Rd, beside the Tavern, starting at 8am.  
 Mike Larkin.

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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
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The rainfall for the whole of September was 42.2mm and similarly the rainfall up until the 15<sup>th</sup> of October is 42.2mm. Regardless of the rainfall it is nice to get the Spring beauty and warmth. The greenery bursting out everywhere is reassuring and a reminder of the power of nature which is not as much under the control of humans as many would like to think.

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