



# THE SCARECROW

CABBAGE TREE CREEK NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2013

## GOODBYE WENDY & KEV

Wendy and Kevin Burns after 12 years of living in Cabbage Tree Creek will say farewell to neighbours and friends on 2 July 2013 and move to their new home in Elmhurst near Ararat in Central Victoria. An informal gathering was held at the Bemm River Pub on Tuesday 25 June where a presentation of a photograph album featuring the local area, the people and the flora and fauna that make up our small community, for them to take as a reminder of what they are leaving behind.



David and Lynette Stekelenburg from Queensland have bought their house with the long term goal of retirement to Cabbage Tree Creek. We believe they will be letting out the property for the next year or so but will be coming down at the end of June for approximately 10 days during which time a get-together will be held at the shop to welcome them to the village. Jo and Pete will advise details in the near future.

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 : MESSAGE KEVIN AND MYSELF WANT TO THANK OUR MANY FRIENDS FROM CABBAGE TREE CREEK AND  
 : FROM BEYOND FOR THE WONDERFUL FAREWELL PARTY. THE ALBUM WILL ALWAYS BE ONE OF OUR VERY  
 : WENDY & KEV TREASURED POSSESSIONS. EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU ALL WILL BE IN OUR HEARTS ALWAYS.  
 : THANKS CABBAGE TREE CREEK FOR THE MEMORIES, FRIENDSHIPS AND LOVE YOU HAVE SHOWN US.  
 : LOVE WENDY, KEVIN AND TOBY.  
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## HALL IMPROVEMENTS CONTINUE ...



### President of the Hall Committee

Jo Fischer will organise the task of painting and upgrading the small library and toy room. "A new coat of paint to the rooms will work wonders". Volunteers for a small working bee will undertake this job in the near future. Jo is introducing a system to categorise the books and videos for easier identification and create smoother borrowing procedures.

### Australia Post Grant

Beryl King has applied for a small community grant for shelving, toy storage and a new table tennis table and if successful this will improve the amenity for the community.

### Cob Oven, Storage Shed and Concrete Slab

Bill Killick has marked out the preliminary slab size and Noel Woods will organise a small working group to set out the slab frame and get it ready for the concrete pour in preparation for the cob oven builder to proceed, it is planned to have the oven up and firing for use over summer.

## IN THE GARDEN *by Bill Killick*

The shortest day has passed and from now on we can look forward to daylight gradually lengthening however the next two or three weeks are usually the coldest of the year.

In the fruit garden prune deciduous trees but hold off on winter oil spray until just before bud burst to catch emerging pests.

Winter weeds will be taking full advantage of the cool weather as well as the soggy conditions following our wet June. Do not cultivate soggy soils and use wet or spoilt hay as a mulch to suffocate weeds.

Don't prune flowering ornamental trees as you will lose this year's flowers. Spread fertilizer around Spring flowering plants to get best results. Avoid taking off frost damaged foliage of tender shrubs as these will provide frost protection to other foliage. Prune native plants as they complete flowering. Cold/wet conditions retard growth during July but green manure can be dug into the ground. Pull out the roots of all brassicas (cauli., brussels sprouts etc.) After cutting to avoid diseases such as 'club root'. If you still have water lying around 2 or 3 days after rain it is a sign that your drainage needs attention. Perhaps drain the water and create an inground water feature.

In the flower garden plant seedlings of Alyssum, Aquilegia, Calendula, Delphiniums,, Dianthus, Foxgloves, Pansy, Penstemon, Poppies, Sweet William, plus a host of others can be planted.

In the vegie garden sow: long keeping onions, shallots, and garlic, these can be kept undercover in colder areas for planting out later.



Trin Preston with a dried arrangement that won her top place at a recent Orbest Garden Club meeting



Thanks to Brian Dutton for the great work in reconstructing and repairing the Notice board outside the shop. The new roof will keep water out of the cabinet.

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### Cabbage Tree Creek Hall Committee of Management Inc. Elections

As a result of the call for nominations for office bearers at the May meeting of the Hall Committee the following persons were appointed:

**President:** Jo Fischer  
**Treasurer:** Jack Moody  
**Secretary:** Kathy Woods and  
Scott Bady Campbell (Shared)  
**Committee:** Beryl King  
Barry Butten  
Linda Swan  
Suzanna Smith  
Noel Woods

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### Cabbage Tree Creek Wildlife

#### Yellow-tailed Black-cockatoo

These birds have been hanging around Cabbage Tree Creek, acrobating and squawking for the last few weeks. They are associated with the coming of rain. Easily identified by their black body with yellow patches on the ear, tail and edges of feathers.

These birds feed on seeds and grubs that live in logs and trees. Their habitat is wet forest, woodlands and pine forests. They are indigenous to south-eastern Australia, including southern Victoria and are native to Australia.

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## NEXT HALL COMMITTEE MEETING

10:30am - Sunday 13 October 2013

At the Hall or Bushware Cafe (TBA)

ALL WELCOME



Deadline for the next Newsletter is the end of October 2013.

E-mail or deliver any articles, recipes, photos, history, news or notices etc to Jack or Denise.

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