WAIREWA CRC GRAPEVIN

Upcoming Events: August & September

Friday 13 August 12 to 1:30pm

PHN Gippsland Health Forum

The Hub Bairnsdale

Sunday 26 August: 2pm

Freya Bakewell's Exhibition Opening

"Into the Wild" Lemon Hill Gallery

Wednesday 1 September 12:30pm:

CRC Meeting Wairewa Hall

Monday 6 September 9am to 5pm:

Farm First Aid Training

Australian Red Cross Wairewa Hall

Wednesday 8 September Wairewa Hall

Colour & Creativity Workshop

Morning Tea hosted by Anglican Diocese of Gippsland/Catholic Care 10:30 - 11am

Sunday 12 September 12pm:

Community BBQ and Debrief

Wairewa Hall

Wednesday 15 September 12:30pm:

CRC Meeting Wairewa Hall

Wednesday 22 September:

Colour & Creativity Workshop 9:30am Wairewa Hall

Sunday 26 September 2pm:

Leanne Davies' Mosaics Exhibition opening

Lemon Hill Gallery

Wednesday 29 September: 12:30pm

CRC Meeting Wairewa Hall

On the Grapevine...

Wairewa Hall

Farm First Aid Training

6 September

SUPPORTING DROUGHT AND BUSHFIRE AFFECTED COMMUNITIES.

Australian **Red Cross**

Wairewa CRC and Australian Red Cross are offering Wairewa & District farmers, farm workers and farm contractors an opportunity to undertake free training to boost their work safe skills.

On-farm accidents are a major concern

Incidents involve workers and bystanders (including children) and occur in a range of circumstances on a variety of farm and agricultural enterprises.

Learn first aid skills to provide support in an emergency

Develop skills and improve farm and rural workplace safety by enrolling in the Red Cross Farm First Aid course delivered by an accredited First Aid trainer. Participants are provided with the knowledge and skills to assist themselves, and others, to cope with accidents and injury both from a physical and mental wellbeing perspective.

On completion of the course, participants receive a Statement of Attainment in Provide Basic Emergency Life Support (HLTAID002) – often required for insurance and employment opportunities. You must have a USI to receive a certificate.

LUNCH & MORNING TEA PROVIDED

Bookings essential:

Julie Saunders: 0435 079 020 wairewacrc@gmail.com

Carissa Beavis: 0427 643 122 cbeavis@redcross.org.au

Farm First Aid training topics

- Basic Life Support (DRSABCD)
- Perform CPR
- Breathing emergencies
- Allergic reaction / **Anaphylaxis**
- Cardiac emergencies
- Severe bleeding and wound care
- Fractures and dislocations
- Shock management
- Envenomation
- Wellbeing and mental health support and assistance
- Environmental impacts
- Reporting
- Recovery and Resilience
- Legal requirements

HELP THE FROGS! CITIZEN SCIENTISTS NEEDED

There is another frog die off occurring. The Australian Museum has released a phone app called FROGID available through Google app store. You can use this app to photograph dead frogs and report them to help the scientists figure out what's going on. URL Address below:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.net.australianmuseum.frogid

Contribution Deadline 5 days before end of the

month: wairewacrc@gmail.com

Wairewa CRC meetings are open to everyone. Come along to the meetings and contribute your ideas and BUSHFIRE RECOVERY



ON THE GRAPEVINE:

The New Year's Day Bush Dance In Wairewa by E. Blakeman

For over 12 years there has been a Bush Dance in the Wairewa Hall on New Year's Day, with a live band and supper.

Would we like it to happen again?

The most recent one in January 1st 2021 was called the Red Hot Bush Dance to link it with the bushfire and was held on the tennis court instead of in the Hall itself. It was a great success and because of the white marquee and the outdoor spacious setting it looked fantastic! The free BBQ added to the attraction! It was undoubtedly a great night.

Several members of the current committee feel they have done their stint and will retire this year. There are some young people who are interested in running it, but more people are needed. Many hands make light work! Please consider it and if you would like to be involved ring Rosanne Trevaskls 0418 858 322.



Mottle Gums and Sugar Gliders by E. Blakeman

The Mottle Gum reserve is growing back slowly after the fire. It is interesting to see the variety of juvenile leaves on the new growth. Herewith are photos of 3 types - strictly alternate leaves, strictly opposite leaves, and some very, very long leaves!



Also it was interesting to see that the mottling on the bark has not yet reformed... it is still a fairly uniform smooth grey and that there were fresh marks of sugar gliders on these trunks where they sought for sap. This photo shows both smooth un-mottled bark and the sugar gliders feeding sites. Good to see that sugar gliders are alive and well!





Wairewa Community Hall Updates WATCH THIS SPACE

WAIREWA COMMUNITY BBQ & DEBRIEF

Sunday September 12 at 12pm Wairewa Hall.

Wairewa CRC and EGSC will host a Community BBQ and Debrief which is the next step in developing the Wairewa Emergency Management Plan, including the revision of the 'LIMP', leading into the development of a long term Action Plan based on preparedness and resilience for the future for the valley and surrounds.

Previous steps in this process were the IGEM sessions, the Rob Gordon sessions and now the Debrief will bring the Wairewa community together with the agencies that were at the scene of the 2019-20 bushfires, and after, plus those you have been working with 'other aspects' of disaster preparedness based on previous experiences and those that have been working more broadly across the Shire in preparation for the next disaster.

The community and the agencies will work together to talk about their experiences, and use skills and knowledge to determine how things will be better done next time. The process is based on 'co-design' of all relevant parties.

The facilitator is an independent consultant not aligned with any agency or department.

Update on O'Grady's

Funding applications are currently being prepared to improve the O'Grady Bridge site. Hopefully by the next addition we will have some news on notification

Lemon Hill Gallery

Lemon Hill Gallery is closed until 29th August.

Lemon Hill Gallery will hopefully re-open on 29th August at 2pm in time for the opening of Freya Bakewell's exhibition "Into the Wild".

The next exhibition will be Leanne Davies' Mosaic exhibition opening on Sunday 26 September at 2pm.

Owing to COVID lockdown uncertainty, Elizabeth Blakeman will keep her Gallery enthusiasts posted.

Quote of the week:

"Art does not exist only to entertain but also to challenge one to think, to provoke, even to disturb, in a constant search for truth"



Barbara Streisand.



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ON THE GRAPEVINE: cont... **MORNING TEA AT WAIREWA HALL**

Owing to the dreaded COVID and the necessity for lockdowns, we were unable to have a morning tea in July and won't have one in August either. The next morning tea will be held 8 September from 10:30am. Drop in for a cuppa and a chat!

Colour & Creativity Workshop

Madelaine Schumann's next Colour & Creativity Workshop provided by Catholic Care Victoria's Bushfire Community Recovery Service will be held September 8 at 9:30 TBC.



Community Catch Ups: September 17 is the next Friday night Drinks and Nibbles at 5:30pm. Come along for light refreshments and a chat. BYO drinks, tea & coffee supplied

PHN GIPPSLAND HEALTH SERVICES SURVEY

PHN Gippsland are setting their service priorities for the next three years in Gippsland. They invite you to attend the following prioritisation event to put forward your opinion. Friday 13 August at 12pm at The Hub, Bairnsdale. Bookings via https://www.eventbrite.com.au

Contact PHN Gippsland direct 0418 595 781 or projectmanagement@gphn.org.au. .

Anne & Stan Barker - Native garden plant offer for Wairewa residents affected by fire

Anne and Stan Barker of Toorloo Arm have, in conjunction with Australian Plant Society and Lakes Entrance Garden Club, potted up a large range of species to plant in your garden. Native plants are low water & easy to maintain. Contact Anne 0448 565 313.

Still have downed timber on your land?

Lucas Mill—Book via Sarsfield Hub

Get your name on the waiting list. Logs need to be at least 450mm in diameter. Please contact Neil Smith, BRV to be added to the waiting list if you would like to utilise this service. Give a rough estimate of number and size of logs for an assessment by the mill operators. Neil.A.Smith@brv.vic.gov.au or 0408

BUSHFIRE RECOVERY VICTORIA Some locals have used their timber to rebuild yards, work benches in sheds, fence posts.

Fencing Wire/Roadside Trees/Slashing

Contact Peter Balmer, Place Manager, **EGSC** for information: PeterB@egipps.vic.gov.au or 0409 701 309

