



# BUSH AND BULLDUST

## MR & MRS Reynoldson

On the 18th of February 2017, the Turner family farm hosted the wedding of Holly Turner and Nathan Reynoldson.

Holly arrived in Local Rodgers Peters Classic Car . A Beautiful ceremony was conducted by Pauline Hume. After the ceremony the guests were blown away with amazing food catered by John Turgood of Raffey's catering. Exceptional desserts were provided by Miss Naked Cakes.

The setting of the ceremony and reception work was done by Tracey at Enhance Styling which took so much pressure off the families.

Flowers in the Lane created beautiful bouquets and neighbour Lauren, at Willo Creative, created beautiful signs for the Day

Local Legends Radar & Kev served the guest refreshments into the wee hours of the morning.

The whole day was captured by Briony of Hardinge Photography, Emma Dallinger of Story with Heart Films, with amazing footage that Holly & Nathan will cherish always

Holly and Nathan thank everyone for all of their amazing help and positive well wishes during this special and exciting time, allowing them to have such a warm and loving welcome to marriage.

Holly and Nathan especially would like to thank their families for being so involved in the process and making their day so calm and easy. "Thank you for your endless guidance and assistance. Thank you to Michelle and Shane for walking Holly down the aisle and Mason for his beautiful reading, Mckye for being their MC and Ellen for aceing the music. Thankyou we are so grateful to you all and look forward to making many more memories with you as husband and wife". (Holly Turner)



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# *Mitta/ Dart Challenge*

Saturday the 11th of February 2017

At Mitta Pub - Mitta Mitta

Dartmouth Anglers gathered with anticipation to catch the bus from Dartmouth to Mitta for the bi-annual fishing competition between Dartmouth and Mitta Anglers Clubs. In the previous competition Dartmouth won after a long period of losses. Dartmouth were pumped with a good days fishing, eager to get to Mitta and weigh in their trout to see if they could retain the trophy.

Unbeknown to the Dart Anglers the Mitta Anglers had a killer day fishing! Mitta provided a wonderful BBQ dinner and then it was time to weigh in!

Dartmouth weighed in their trout proudly, Cyn Stuart won the Best Bag Female with 1.785kg and best Rainbow Trout with a .570g rainbow, Will Glass won the junior prize.

**Dartmouth scored a total weight of 7.810kg for their 10 best trout.**

Dartmouth's dreams were shattered when Hugh Giltrap weighed his 5 trout in with a total weight on its own of 5.485kg winning the Best Bag Male & Best Brown trout with a 1.630kg brown. This was only the start of Dart's demise with Ross Hodgkin, Sharon Toll, Peter Beggs & Gary Smith all weighing in trout over the 1 kg.

**Mitta Scored a whopping 12.550kg for their 10 best trout.**

A wonderful evening was had by all Anglers, with great food and great company. Dart will have to pull their fingers out to beat Mitta in November.



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• **7 March 2017**

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# COMING EVENTS

## March 2017

- 3rd Dart Anglers Committee Meeting 5pm Dart Hall
- 4th Caterina Playing at the Witches Garden 7pm
- 5th Clean Up Australia Day In Dartmouth 9am
- 7th Towong Shire Council Meeting at Corryong Office
- 12th Mighty Mitta Muster
- 17th Dartmouth CPA Committee Meeting 5.30pm Dart Hall
- 19th Dartmouth Progress Working Bee 9am
- 20th Bush & Bulldust Copy Deadline
- 23rd Wild Dog Community Field Day

## April 2017

- 1st School Holiday begin
- 1st Football begins Thurgoona V Mitta at Thurgoona
- 2nd Waterfall Creek Country Guest House 2-5pm Live Music Kate B
- 4th Towong Shire Council Meeting
- 8th Mitta United V Barnawartha at Eskdale
- 14th Good Friday
- 15th Easter Fair at Eskdale
- 16th Easter Sunday at Dartmouth
- 17th Easter Monday
- 18th School Holiday Finish
- 20th Farm and Water Expo in Tallangatta
- 20th Bush & Bulldust Copy Deadline
- 22nd Chiltern V Mitta United at Chiltern
- 22nd Tallangatta Community Market 9 - 2pm
- 22nd Hard Waste Mitta Mitta 10am till 1pm
- 23rd Hard Waste Dartmouth 10am till 1pm
- 26th Towong Immunisation at Magorra Park 12 - 12.30pm

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**Copy Deadline**  
**20th March 2017**





## MITTA VALLEY BOWLING CLUB NEWS FEBRUARY, 2017

The Championships was held over a two day period and hotly contested. In the finals, Steve Richardson and Donald Lafontaine played off. Donald being the Champion for this year. Congratulations for a terrific game to watch. This has been Steve's first year playing bowls and it is indeed a credit to him to have come so far in such a short time. A special thank you to Racheal Richardson for taking some great photo shots of the games.

New member recently joined are David Swasbrick and Social members Racheal Richardson and Anne McGuire.

An afternoon was held for the general public to inspect the Bowling Club renovations for an access for the disabled, sponsored by the Peter Gardiner Foundation, Towong Shire, Our Valley Our Future and local business and residents. Our President Wally Prior welcomed everyone's participation and John Scales responded on behalf of the visitors. Suwanna Hardwick Business Manager of Mitta Valley Inc. was also in attendance. Suwanna and husband David provides support for a range of projects to the community and their office is in the Uniting Church each Monday. The club thanks them both for their continued support.

The Radcliffe Funeral Services Tournament was held on February 19<sup>th</sup> with visiting clubs from Wodonga, Tawonga, Tallangatta, Chiltern. The two winning teams were from Tawonga: Dave McDonough, Rob Christie and Helene Livingston (Tall) and runners up Gary and Jill Woods and Gordon Hobbs. Third placing was our Mitta team of Barry McCulloch, Gary Mull and Joan Prior. Thanks to Beazleys Meats of Wodonga donating meat vouchers for the raffle. An enjoyable friendly day with nice cool weather and the greens rolling well.

Wally and Joan Prior are now residents of Westmont and have settled in nicely. Their participation in our Club has been tremendous over the years and they will still continue with their involvement in the future which is very much appreciated. We wish them all the very best of happiness in their new home.

Social bowls are held each Sunday evening at 5pm. We welcome any newcomers. Plenty of bowls for use, just soft shoes required or bare feet!!



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# Dart Doings



## Dartmouth Mobile Phone Tower Launch

The Launch of the Mobile Phone Tower in Dartmouth on the 22nd of February. Kathy Mc Gowan MP, Steve Tinker (Telstra Regional Manager, Towong Shire Mayor David Wortmann, Deputy Mayor Aaron Scales, and Cr Jennie Star attended the launch at the Dartmouth Pub.

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Caterina (Cat) Sibio, grew up in Tatura in the Goulburn Valley and now resides in Melbourne, she's been singing and playing guitar for over 30 years and loves sharing her love of music. "When people ask me what sort of music do I play, is so difficult to say because I play and enjoy so many kinds!" Inspired by the music she grew up with, music enjoyed by her Italian parents, and the music her uncles sang and played on their guitars, inspired her love of music. Cat is especially inspired by the joy that music creates. "It just makes people happy and enjoy life's simple pleasures".

Learning guitar from eight years of age, Cat joined various church and school choirs. Cat has performed at wedding ceremonies with her sister and although never officially joined a band, has played numerous gigs with various local artists over the years including back-up vocals on an album. Starting out with folk, country, rock and roll, traditional Italian songs and inspirational music, Cat has progressed into easy listening, rock, some R&B, pop, children's and Christmas music. So, always endeavouring to learn something new, she covers a large variety of music genres. Cat aspires to write more of her own music and plans to do more of this in the future.

Working full time as a *Perianaesthesia Registered Nurse* at a busy metropolitan hospital for the past 21 years, she would love more time for music, but performs whenever she can.

**PLAYING ON THE SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2017  
AT THE WITCHES GARDEN 7PM  
608 DARTMOUTH ROAD, MITTA MITTA  
RING LEW & FELICITY 0260723533 FOR MORE INFO**



## Waterfall Creek Country Guest House Presents

*Kate B*

*An Afternoon of Quality Live Music*

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017, 2-5pm, Tallangatta Valley**

Soulful, yet beautifully uplifting, Kate Barzdo's rich pure voice weaves with the graceful and eloquent sound of the Celtic harp, acoustic guitar or ukulele. The tones are rich, the lyrics soothing, luring your senses to a place of peaceful balance and calm.

Bring a chair, some nibbles and drinks - or just enjoy the sumptuous afternoon tea provided, and join us on the lawns of Waterfall Creek to be enchanted by this outstanding songstress.

*"Kate B creates music for the soul. Kate has been a singer for as long as she can remember. From folk to blues and cafes to weddings and community choirs, her journey has more recently carried her back to the world of chanting & heartsongs."*

Only 30 tickets on sale to maintain an intimate & personal live music experience  
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Contact Kelly or Glenn to book, or for further information

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# Bye Bye Bunnies !

**Wish our rabbits well, because their days are numbered.**

**A new form of calicivirus (the 'Korean' strain) is to be released from Magorra Park during autumn this year.**

**Details are yet to be announced on how this is to be undertaken and how the community can assist in the spread to their properties.**

**Rabbit numbers have been building up to plague proportions but some environmentalists are pondering about the upset to rabbit predators such as feral foxes, dogs and cats when the virus is released.**

**Myxomatosis virus has proven to be ineffective in recent years as rabbits have developed resistance.**



The culprit: imported into Australia by Tom Austin

## Techy Stuff

Rabbit calicivirus disease (RCD) also known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease (RHD) is an invariably fatal disease that only affects rabbits.

It first appeared in China in 1984 and in 1995 the imported 'Czech' strain of the virus escaped quarantine in South Australia and subsequently killed more than 12 million rabbits during the first two months of its release.

Rabbit populations in the Miltia area were reduced but not eliminated because of the timing of the release and some intrinsic immunity because of exposure to other strains of the virus. Climate was also thought to affect the ability of the virus to spread.

Pet rabbits can be vaccinated against the Czech virus but no vaccine is currently available for the new RCD Korean release.

RCD is transmitted through nasal, oral or conjunctival pathways and it is also thought that the virus may be spread via urine, faeces, respiratory secretions and even the wind. Rabbit flees, flies and mosquitoes are also known to spread RCD between rabbits.

Rabbits younger than 8 weeks are resistant to the virus and incubation takes 1-3 days with death following 1-2 days after the infection.

Following infection, the bunnies will display fever, squeals and often coma leading to a quick death. The virus results in a quick development of blood clot formation in major organs that cause heart and respiratory failure. An RCD dead rabbit will often present with legs straight out and head over its neck.

Most rabbits will die in their burrows and the mortality rate is typically 90%.

Scientists have been searching for a new variant of RCD and the new release, the "Korean" or K5 strain, has been found to be more infectious to non-immune rabbits.

But there are other RCD strains in Australia –

- RHDV 1 - Original virus released in 1995
- RHDV1A - Variant of type 1 isolated in Sydney in 2014
- RHDV1 - K5 Variant - "Korean" (release planned in Autumn 2017)
- RHDV 2 - First recorded in mid 2015 in Australia, 2010 in Europe

RCV - A1 Non pathogenic virus present in wild population

The effectiveness of the Korean strain will depend on the efficiency, timing and methodology of its release.





# TALLANGATTA ROTARY REACHES OUT TO DAIRY FARMERS

Dairy Farmers will receive free entry into the Border Mail Farm and Water Expo at Tallangatta on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

In an initiative designed to recognise that our regions dairy farmers have been doing it tough recently, the Tallangatta Rotary Club, which organises the Farm and Water Expo has decided to distribute free gate passes to the regions dairy farmers.

Murray Goulburn will distribute the passes through their communication network, so that anonymity is assured.

Co-coordinator of the Border Mail Farm and Water Expo Manny Chessari said "The Rotary Club of Tallangatta felt very strongly that it would like to do something for the dairy farmers which might make them feel that the community was thinking about them. It's not even about the waiving of the \$10 entry fee, but just an encouragement to come out and enjoy the day"

Mr Chessari went on to say that plans for the Expo were going well with exhibitors making the most of early bird rates and booking sites early in both the main arena and the WAW Womens Shed

## Firewood Collection Season starts next week

More than 100 Firewood Collection Areas will be opened in the Hume Region next Wednesday (1 March 2017) as the Autumn Firewood Collection Season for 2017 starts across Victoria.

Forest Fire Management Victoria's Assistant Chief Fire Officer - Hume, Gill Metz, said: "Once the firewood collection season is underway, it's important that people only collect firewood from designated areas and stay within collection limits."

"This includes taking a maximum of two cubic metres per person per day and a maximum of 16 cubic metres per household per financial year," Ms Metz said.

"Designated collection areas are put in place to protect sites of cultural and environmental significance. Some households rely on firewood for winter energy so consider others when taking wood.

"There will be 108 firewood collection areas open across the Hume Region this autumn, dependent on accessibility and conditions, which is more than in any other part of the state. People should check local weather and forest conditions to make sure it's safe before collecting firewood.

"Fire danger or flooding may require the closure of firewood collection areas in some parts of the region. Firewood collection areas may also close if firewood supplies become low.

"Firewood collected during the firewood collection season may be green. Green wood burns well if cut, split and stored correctly for 12 months.

"Some firewood collection areas may be part of the autumn planned burning program, so it's important that you check where burns are happening. Go to [www.vic.gov.au/plannedburn](http://www.vic.gov.au/plannedburn), download the VicEmergency app or call VicEmergency on 1800 226 226.

"The felling of any trees for firewood is strictly prohibited. Authorised officers will be patrolling parks, forests and reserves to ensure people are doing the right thing while collecting their firewood. Any information the community may have about the illegal removal of firewood for sale can be reported to DELWP on 136 186 and quote 'Operation Axe'."

Permission from local government is needed for the collection of firewood from roadsides under their management. VicRoads does not currently allow firewood collection on roadsides it manages. Roadside collection of firewood in State forests is only allowed in a designated collection area.

Infringement Notices for illegal firewood collection are \$622.00, with maximum penalties for offences under the Forest Act 1958 standing at \$7,773.00, one year imprisonment or both.

For more information, go to [www.delwp.vic.gov.au/firewood](http://www.delwp.vic.gov.au/firewood) or call 136 186. From 1 March, maps showing designated collection areas will be available through the website. The Autumn Firewood Collection Season closes on Friday 30 June.





The Centre for Continuing Education presents many exciting volunteering opportunities. One of these is the Community Visitors Scheme (CVS) social support program for residents experiencing isolation and loneliness who live in the Hume region, which includes the Towong Shire.

Social isolation is an ever-increasing concern in our communities with recent research highlighting that approximately 10 per cent of Victorians, aged over 60 experience chronic loneliness at any one time, due to factors such as the death of a partner, living alone or a move to a new location. Providing greater opportunities for older people to participate meaningfully in community life is considered to be essential in overcoming this isolation.

CVS matches volunteers with a resident for a regular visit of an hour a fortnight to provide conversation, friendship and companionship. This can involve a chat over a cup of tea or coffee, reading the paper, playing board games or cards, discussing mutual interests or enjoying a wander around the garden. It may also include an occasional outing down the street to a café, a walk in a local park or a drive around the local area. For the resident this can keep them in touch with outside interests, news and happenings in their local area. Benefits to the resident can be reducing their feelings of loneliness and isolation by making them feel cared for and valued.

CVS is a free program for residents of a Government subsidised Aged Care Facility.

#### **Would you like to become one of our special volunteers?**

Becoming a CVS volunteer allows you the opportunity to use your life skills of listening, talking and sharing to brighten up someone else's life. This helps the resident feel cared for and valued and can be the start of a rewarding long-term connection.

For further information about becoming a CVS volunteer, please contact Jennifer Clement:  
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## The BBQ

Aussie Actors Magna Szubanski and Shane Jacobson were in the Mitta Valley on the 10th of February to film "The BBQ Movie". Of course the locals turned out to share the fun. Look hard and you will see the black vintage Ranch Wagon on the tree lined driveway of the Harker's home which served as a "country road" for scenes in the movie. How fabulous that the Mitta Valley is a backdrop for a new movie. Thanks for the collage of pictures Ned.

## Bridge replacement works at Lightning Creek improves fire access

The single access bridge to the popular Lightning Creek campsite, located 22 kilometres south of Mitta Mitta on the Omeo Highway, will be replaced as part of a \$400,000 project with works to commence next month.



The original log and decking bridge was built by Wodonga company A. Dunstan & Sons shortly after 1960 for private sawmillers at the time.

Forest Fire Management Victoria's District Manager – Upper Murray, Aaron Kennedy, said: "After more than 50 years, the bridge is being replaced to greatly improve access for firefighters and heavy machinery, improve safety for all users, and to comply with Australian Standards."

"The new design will include concrete columns, an asphalt surface and guard rails, and will cater for heavy machinery which is regularly used as a fire staging area," Mr Kennedy said.

"While the works are being undertaken the Lightning Creek campsite will be closed for approximately five months, including during the Easter holidays.

"The campsite closure is necessary as there is no alternative access available.

"The contractor will be on-site from late-February with works on the removal of the existing bridge to commence from early-March 2017. The project is estimated to be completed by 10 July 2017.

"The timing of the works has been planned to avoid the fire season, peak visitation period and the breeding cycle of the Spotted Tree Frog, a threatened species that breeds in the Lightning Creek area.

"Lightning Creek is one of only 11 catchments in which the species can be found.

"The species is listed as 'Threatened' under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* and classified as endangered nationally under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

"Visitors to the area should seek alternative campsites including Katie Peters Reserve, The Mill, Snowy Creek and The Walnuts.

"We are working with visitor information centres, Towong Shire and Four Wheel Drive Victoria to ensure visitors stay informed."

For further information, please phone the DELWP Tallangatta office on (02) 6071 5300 or the Customer Service Centre on 136 186.

# Media Release



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## **Wild dog workshops kick off in Gippsland and north east Victoria**

The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning's (DELWP) Wild Dog Management Zone (WDMZ) community workshops start next week in the North east and Gippsland regions.

DELWP Acting Wild Dog Program Manager Vaughn Kingston said: "The workshops are an opportunity for the community to have input into the way dogs are controlled locally."

"Reducing the impact of wild dogs can be achieved by all land managers working together using a combination of trapping, baiting, shooting, exclusion fencing and good animal husbandry."

"There are 16 community field days and workshops planned this autumn."

"The sessions will focus on new technologies being trialled like thermal imaging, as well as sharing the knowledge about current management techniques for wild dog control".

"We will also use this time to discuss what has worked well and what needs improving in our Wild Dog Management Zone Work Plans as we develop new plans for the coming year."

"Farmers who are interested can also find out more about joining existing Community Wild Dog Control Group."

"We look forward to meeting farmers in the coming weeks."

For further information about the workshops in the North East contact Tim Enshaw at the Wodonga Office on (02) 60437900 and in Gippsland Vaughn Kingston at the Bairnsdale office on (03) 51520400.

## **Hume Wild Dog Management Zone (WDMZ) Work Plan Community Field Day - Workshop Schedule 2017**

<b>WDMZ</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>
Alexandra	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	DELWP Office, 5 Binns McCraes Road, Alexandra	2.00pm – 4.00pm Afternoon tea
Corryong, Walwa	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2017	Burrowye CFA shed, Guys Forest Rd, Burrowye	8.30am – 11.00am BBQ breakfast
Granya, Tallangatta	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2017	Bulloh Hall, 7566 Murray Valley Hwy, Bulloh	8.30am – 11.00am BBQ breakfast
Mitta Mitta	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2017	Eskdale Football Ground, Eskdale	8.30am – 11.00am BBQ breakfast
Mansfield	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Barragunda Station, Long Lane, Barwite	10.00am – 1.00pm BBQ lunch



## **EASTER SUNDAY AT THE DART**

Colouring Competition, Easter Egg Hunt, Jumping Castle,  
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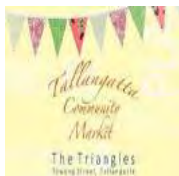
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# Eskdale Echoes

Cold mornings, hot afternoons! Autumn is on the way! Some decent rain would be good! My weeds would appreciate some sky water. Thanks to Doug and Greg for trimming the town trees to tidy them up! Someone rudely suggested to me that I should get the tree fellers to deal with my weeds! What a sauce..... it's okay for me to joke but it's a bit over the top when someone else tells me! A few people have made suggestions on who I could get to do my garden, what a surprise they will get when the offending weeds go away!!

JOKER



## JOKER POKER

Friday night was a busy night. At the pub we were all anxious to see what Joker Poker would turn up. Ask 'Spooner' aka. Lucas O'Brien how he turned up the Joker and walked away with a cool \$1900.00 Apart from a bit of weeping in our drinks for 'what might have been' Noel has announced that next Friday a new round of JP will start on that night at \$1 000.00 . Now that is encouraging.



## PRAWNS

Louie, the fresh prawn man from Lakes Entrance will be selling prawns about every three weeks if business warrants it. He did a great trade last Friday evening at the pub so he hopes to repeat that. You do not need to go into the pub, he'll come out to sell the produce!

## THANKS FROM THE BOWLING CLUB.

Last week the members of the M.V.B.C. invited donors to afternoon tea and an inspection of the improvements to the Club entrance and men's shower facility. The new pathway is 'handicap' friendly and makes access much more convenient. Thank-you for the delicious tea and the CREAM SPONGES!



## FISHING IN N.Z.

Scott and Robyn Mc Phearson and Scott's parents have just returned from a fly fishing trip in N.Z. What better place to fish. The girls I think, did most of their fishing in shops and coffee places but why not! Scott was very happy with the whole trip so money well spent



## 25 YEARS AND COUNTING!

The Murray Goulburn Staff entertained Narelle Steele at a very pleasant dinner last week, to acknowledge her 25 years as an employee. Congratulations Narelle, that's a fine effort.



## A COOL POOL PARTY

Last Friday evening Tim and Alex from Mitta Mitta Brewing Company provided some of their 'Boutique Beer' to accompany the sausage and lamb treats at an event to close the pool for the season.

I hear that the beer was enjoyed and the night was appreciated.

## THE NEW ROLE FOR THE CHURCH



Angela and John Mills are the new owners of the Eskdale Catholic Church and they have now taken vacant possession of the premises. They have already begun organising repairs and connection to services. They are optimistic that work will progress fairly rapidly and The Church Café Eskdale will be serving coffees and meals quite soon. We wish you well in this new venture.

baptism

## A BAPTISM

Saint Joseph's Church, Mitta Mitta, was the venue for the Baptism of the dearest little girl Anna Evelyn Furze. She is the daughter of Jessica and Paul Furze who presented her for Baptism before their friends and family. There were many of Jessica's family, the Kavanaghs from Tallangatta and Paul's father, Doug, read the lesson. It was such a happy occasion with many of the family and friends involved in the ceremony. Anna behaved like a little angel.

## VALE



Last week friends and family of Joan Dunstan-Walsh last week. Joan was the daughter of Arthur Dunstan who established the saw-mill at Eskdale. She nursed her parents for many years. Joan married Mick Walsh and live with him in Wodonga. Joan had many nieces and nephews who were happy to keep her amused! We send our sympathy to the family. Our condolences go out to Sarah Wilson, her family and Barbara Baude and her family on the passing of Robert Brookes their loved father and brother-in-law. Robert was ill for quite a long time but maintained a great attitude until he just got too tired. They will miss him greatly.

## SAIL AWAY!



Fran and Alan Ellis are busy packing their floaties, rubber boats and drinking shoes for their cruise! Tinny Fran went to Adelaide on her usual tennis trip and won the raffle, a cruise for two from Sydney via Tasmania to Adelaide. How good was that! We all hope you have a great time!

Well, another month has gone by and the valley has managed to still look green. We live in a little bit of heaven! Until next time be happy and well! Mary'O.



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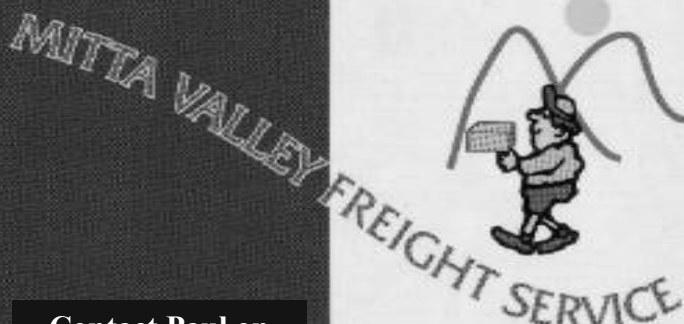
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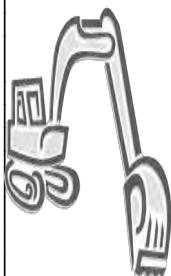


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