

PROM COUNTRY SPRING EVENTS

16 August—12 September

“LAND AND SEA”—PRINTS AND DRAWINGS

George Matoulas and Michael Ingleton – ‘Land and Sea’ – prints and drawings - August 16 to September 12, opening Sunday August 16 at 2pm.

Gallery Hours: Thursday/Friday/Saturday, Sunday/Monday: 10am-5pm

Closed Tuesday & Wednesday. Extended trading hours/days during holiday peak season.

Venue: Gecko Studio Gallery, 15 Falls Rd, Fish Creek

Contact: Gecko Studio Gallery, Telephone: 03 56832481

Email: framing@geckostudiogallery.com.au

Website: <http://www.geckostudiogallery.com.au>

28 August—6 September

LORD CHATTERLEY’S DEMISE

A Comedy Murder Mystery at Meeniyan Hall Meeniyan Amateur Dramatics Society brings you the filthy rich Lord Chatterley who is about to change his will. But his 3 ex wives and extended family are NOT HAPPY. He is murdered! Who Dunnit? The snooty butler, the love struck Gardener or the luscious Maid. Can the French buffoon, Inspector Bastion solve the murder? Come along and enjoy the investigation...

Times: 8pm Friday 28th August, 2pm Sunday 30th August, 8pm Friday 4th September, 8pm Saturday 5th September, 2pm Sunday 6th September.

Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$10 Conc. Children and Students

Venue: Meeniyan Town Hall, Main St, Meeniyan

Contact: Tarnya Wilson, 03 56647473. **Email:** tarnyawilson@bigpond.com

28 August—25 September

‘TOGETHER’ EXHIBITION

Meeniyan Art Gallery invites you to ‘TOGETHER’

An exhibition of works by Helen McInnes, Pat Dempsey, and Susan Hall.

Helen McInnes’ work is inspired by the thousands of beautiful birds that visit her garden. Pat Dempsey has used a stylized form to create birds that visit her farm. Susan Hall’s charcoal drawings reflect her feelings for the beauty of a fragile landscape.

Opening Sunday, August 30 from 2–4pm

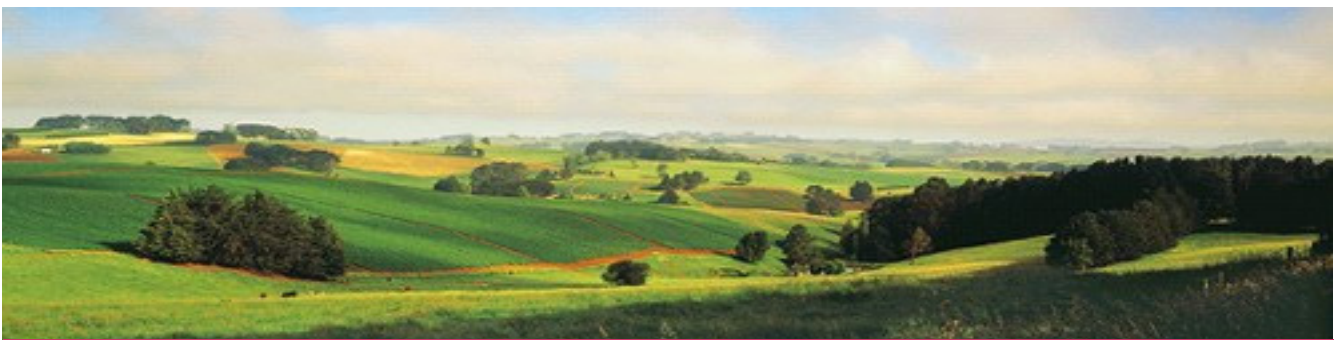
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Contact: Meeniyan Art Gallery, 03 5664 0101

Website: <http://www.meeniyanartgallery.com.au>





PROM COUNTRY EVENTS

1 September—29 September

THE COLOURS OF NATURE

Calligraphy, poetry, photography and painting by Jenefer Chitty. And Mosaics by Michelle Stewart. Opening 2pm - Tuesday 1st September.

Gallery Hours: Weekdays from 10am - 5pm and Saturdays from, 10am - 3pm.

Venue: Mushroom Crafts, 40 Bair St, Leongatha

Contact: 03 5662 2144 or J. Chitty - 5662 5413

3 September—5th September

LEONGATHA DAFFODIL FESTIVAL

The Leongatha Daffodil Festival is held annually at the Leongatha Memorial Hall.

Showcasing a large array of daffodils and cut flower displays, the event marks the beginning of spring in colourful country style. The event also incorporates a number of open garden displays on Friday & Saturday between 10am - 4pm.

Festival Times:

Thursday 2pm - 6pm

Friday 9am - 6pm

Saturday 9am - 4pm

Admission is \$4.00

Venue: Leongatha Memorial Hall, Cnr. Michael Place & McCartin's St

Contact: Lillian (03) 5657 3268 or Sue (03) 5668 6334

4 September

'THE RED WINE DIET'

Windy Ridge Winery & Foster's Little Bookshop present:

The Red Wine Diet by Professor Roger Corder.

The Red Wine Diet will be introduced by Graeme Wilson from Windy Ridge Winery and Dr Barbara Hoare will be present to discuss the link between red wine antioxidants and cardio-vascular health.

\$25 entry includes generous samples of 6 wines,

· Windy Ridge 100% Malbec 2004, 2006 and '2007 K2'

· Two Australian Tannat wines

Roger Corder rates Tannat and Malbec the highest in antioxidant protection against cardio-vascular disease.

· One mystery wine and

· Cath McGlead's delicious food.

Limited to 30 participants

Book in advance at Foster's Little Bookshop 5682 2089, or at Windy Ridge Winery 5682 2035, or online at www.windyridgewinery.com.au ... click ORDER WINE in the left-hand column.

Time: 6pm to 7.30pm

Venue: Stockyard Gallery, Main St, Foster

Contact: Foster's Little Bookshop 5682 2089. Windy Ridge Winery 5682 2035

Website: <http://www.windyridgewinery.com.au>

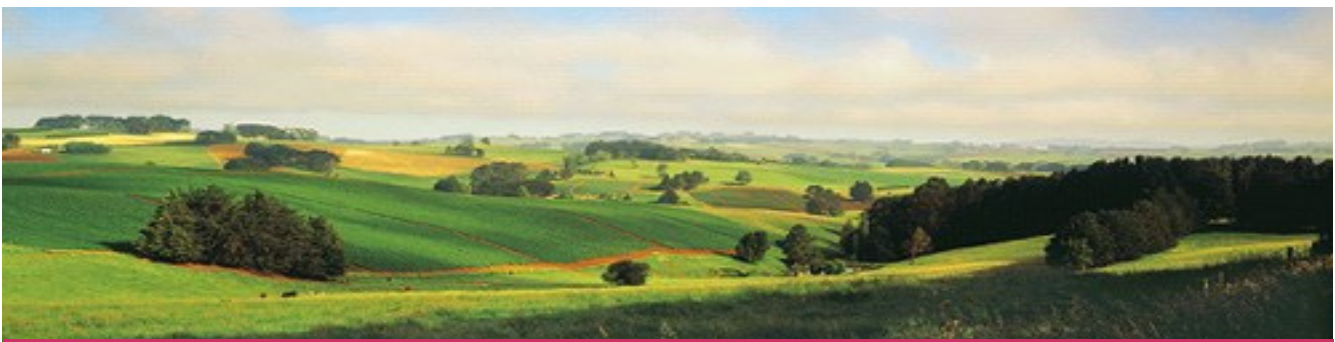
6 September

FATHER'S DAY PICNIC

A special Father's Day Picnic to be held on Sunday 6th September will be a trip down memory lane. Offering all the fun of an old fashioned picnic, including games for the children plus free train rides for the dads. And if it all becomes too much the Pig and Whistle Hotel is offering dads a free coffee (and a place to rest their weary feet!). Coal Creek is open Thursday to Monday 10am to 4.30pm

Venue: Coal Creek Heritage Village, South Gippsland Hwy, Korumburra

Contact: Coal Creek Village, 03 5655 1811. **Website:** <http://www.coalcreekvillage.com.au>



PROM COUNTRY EVENTS

6 September

FATHER'S DAY SWAP MEET

Auto Parts, Bric-a-Brac, Car Boot Sales at Fathers Day Swap Meet on September 6th held at the Nyora Recreation Reserve.

Nyora is about an hours drive from the centre of Melbourne along the South Gippsland Hwy. Turnoff to Nyora is approx 14 km from the Lang Lang overpass, (heading towards Korumburra and Leongatha - not Phillip Island).

Times: Sellers 6.00 am, Buyers 7.00 am

Cost: Selling Sites \$15.00. General Admission: \$3.00

Venue: Nyora Recreation Reserve, Grundy Ave, Nyora

Contact: The Committee, (03) 5659 6530

11 September—19 September

'A LITTLE HOTEL ON THE SIDE' (LYRIC'S NEXT SHOW)

John Mortimer's witty and stylish translation remains true to the Feydeau spirit of backfiring, naughty wordplay. The play itself contains all the classic Feydeau ingredients: thwarted lust, spiralling panic and a seedy hotel where the corridors see more action than the beds. M. Pinglet desires an affair with his best friend's wife. Escaping from the room where his wife has imprisoned him, Pinglet takes the lady to a hotel of dubious repute and there, far from a quiet evening of love, they encounter half of Paris, including the lady's husband, M. Mathieu and his four daughters and Inspector Boucard of the Department of Mortality! The next morning sees the would be lovers anxious for their reputations, but by pieces of unbelievable good fortune they are able to wriggle out of the situation and turn the blame on their dreary spouses!

Tickets: \$20 Adults. \$18 Concession. Tickets available at Mushroom Craft, Leongatha or available on the night.

Times: 8pm 11/12/17/18/19 September. 2pm 13/19 September

Venue: Mesley Hall, Leongatha Secondary College, Nerrena Rd, Leongatha

Contact: Mark Eva on 0422 894 149

12 September

CONVIVIAL TABLES—CONVIVIAL GOOD TIMES

Dinner with Friends and Producers

Phone 56642285 to book now! And ensure you get a seat in the above picture

Convivial Tables is about promoting the knowledge of food through a hands-on approach to the appreciation and knowledge of food, but it's all about sharing the love of food and wine with friends or your new friends sitting beside you.

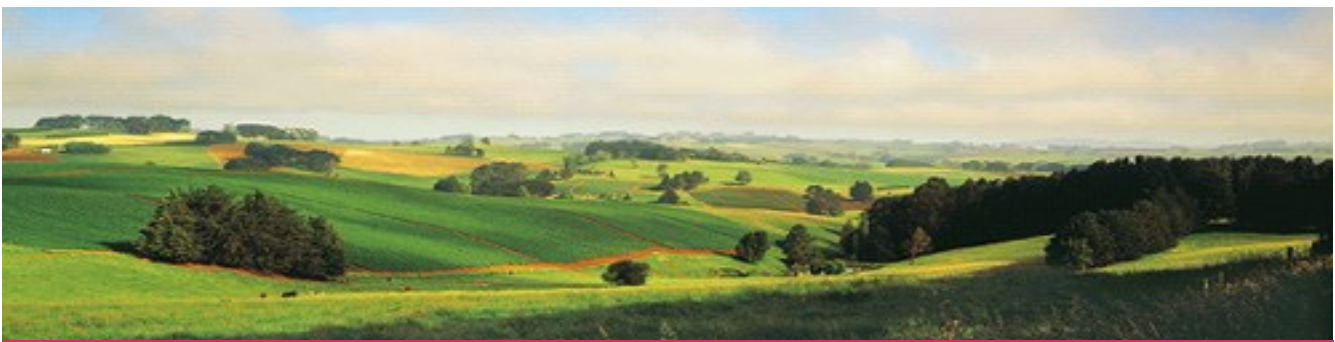
Every month join Dyson as your Host and a Guest Winemaker and/or Producer from the menu highlighted, indulge in nature's earthy abundance and enjoy the culinary delights of the season. Taste and talk about food and wine, and learn from these growers prospective just what goes into the production of their infinite passion.

So gather family, friends or just come along to wine & dine on our shared tables, feast on our 3 course \$50 set dinner menu and slurp on decadent small vineyard Gippsland wines (suggested wine matches available by the glass or bottle) All local produce!

Time: From 6.30pm

Venue: Koonwarra Store, Sth Gippsland Hwy, Koonwarra

Contact: Koonwarra Store: 03 5664 2285



PROM COUNTRY SPRING EVENTS

13 September—10 October

ROBERT MCLAREN—'MARBLED PAPERS'

Robert McLaren – 'Marbled Papers' - September 13 to October 10

Opening Sunday September 13 at 2pm.

Gallery Hours: Thursday/Friday/Saturday, Sunday/Monday: 10am—5pm

Closed Tuesday & Wednesday. Extended trading hours/days during holiday peak season.

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20 September

COAL CREEK COMMUNITY FUN DAY

A Community Fun Day will be held on Sunday 20th September from 12noon to 4pm. All funds raised will go to very special kids and one of the giant piggy banks at the heart of Very Special Kids 2009 Appeal will make an appearance at 12 noon. The day will feature entertainment for all the family including a sausage sizzle, children's art classes and old fashioned games.

Venue: Coal Creek Heritage Village, South Gippsland Hwy, Korumburra

Contact: Coal Creek Village, 03 5655 1811.

Website: <http://www.coalcreekvillage.com.au>

23 September—24 September

SOUTH GIPPSLAND DAIRY EXPO

This year the Lions Club will hold their 10th Annual Dairy Expo at the Poowong Recreation Reserve on the 23rd & 24th September 2009.

The Dairy Expo is held in Poowong on the last Wednesday and Thursday of September each year and is managed by the Strzelecki Lion's Club.

The focus of the Dairy Expo is milk harvesting and therefore the exhibitors that attend are dairy specific.

Time: 9am—4pm each day

Venue: Poowong Recreation Reserve

Contact: Deanne Kennedy, 0419 878 055

Website: <http://www.dairyexpo.org.au/online>

25 September—6 November

'ON THE EDGE OF A METAPHOR'

Meeniyan Art Gallery invites you to 'ON THE EDGE OF A METAPHOR'

An exhibition of works by John Mutsaers.

"Art is a way of visible thinking, a way of exploring thoughts and concepts. It is where we process thoughts and emotions. Through my work I investigate my values, where I live and those who share my environment. I engage with my experiences, interpreting, capturing and sharing them through various mediums"

Exhibition from September 25 to November 6, 2009 • Opening Sunday, September 27 from 2—4pm

Gallery hours: Weekdays, 10-4pm (closed Tuesday). Weekends, 11-5pm

Venue: Meeniyan Art Gallery, 84 Whitelaw St, Meeniyan

Contact: Meeniyan Art Gallery, 03 5664 0101

Website: <http://www.meeniyanartgallery.com.au>



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27 September

EARTH KIDS

Raising this generation sustainably. Be part of a great day out in the holidays... and help make the planet a better place for future kids!

Let's learn together! Children and parents can make achievable, sustainable choices for this generation. Want to promote a children's group, organisation or business?

Then join us by offering activities that do the right thing.

Do you do great creative things with what would once have ended up in landfill?

Or do you have pre-loved kids' goods at home that you'd like to sell?

Earth Kids is for you!

Just an hour and a half from Melbourne on the way to Wilsons Prom in gorgeous South Gippsland. Don't miss your chance to be a part of Earth Kids, the first of four exciting community events to be held in Koonwarra. (Check out the program on koonwarra.com.au)

For more information, or to book an indoor stall or outdoor space for car-boot sales, contact Jennifer Hamilton, Promotions Co-ordinator on 0418 556 746 or email: jennifer.hamilton@frostcorp.com.au Don't delay! There are limited places for stall holders and car boot sales.

Cost: Adults \$2, Children under 16 free

Venue: Koonwarra Memorial Park, Koonwarra

Contact: Jennifer Hamilton, 0418 556 746 **Email:** jennifer.hamilton@frostcorp.com.au

Website: <http://koonwarra.com.au>

3 October—4 October

LOCH VILLAGE ANTIQUE FAIR

Time: 10am—4pm

Venue: Loch Village

Contact: Grahame Hastie, 0412 459 260

3 October—4 October

MUSIC FOR MEENIYAN CARNIVALE

As part of the Lyrebird Arts Council 10 year anniversary we will be presenting Australian music icon Tex Perkins on Saturday the 3rd October at Meeniyon Hall and then on Sunday the 4th October American artist Justin Townes Earle, son of legendary singer-songwriter Steve Earle.

Venue: Meeniyon Town Hall, Main St, Meeniyon

Contact: Suzanne Henderson, (03) 5664 9239

Website: <http://www.lyrebirdartscouncil.com.au>

4 October

LYRE BIRD HILL WINERY—WOOD FIRED PIZZA'S

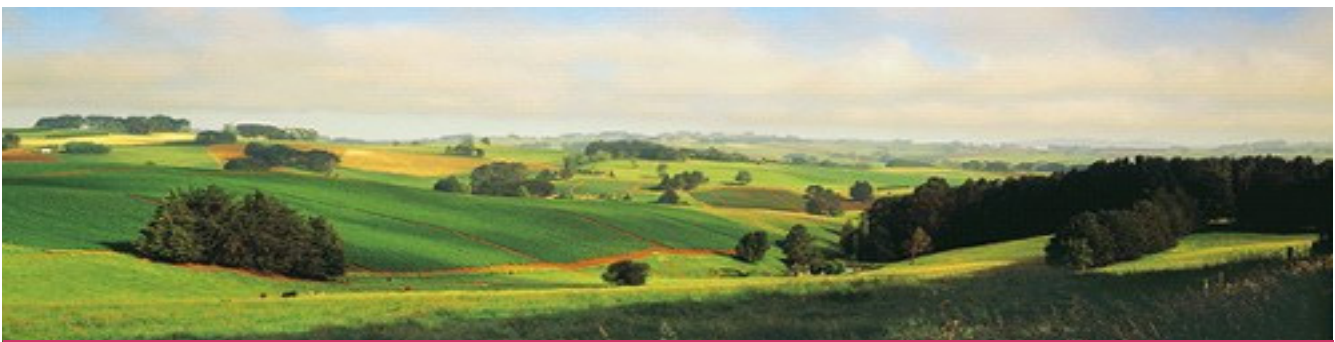
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Venue: Lyre Bird Hill Winery, 370 Inverloch Rd, Koonwarra

Contact: Lyre Bird Hill Winery, 03 5664 3204. **Email:** rowen@lyrebirdhill.com.au

Website: <http://www.lyrebirdhill.com.au>



PROM COUNTRY SPRING EVENTS

9 October—11 October

33RD ANNUAL ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW

Rotary Club of Leongatha presents the 33RD ANNUAL ART & PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW Competition and sales. Official opening - Friday 9th October 2009 at 8pm.

Open to public:

Friday 1pm - 5pm (viewing only)

Friday opening night 8pm

Saturday 10am - 7.30pm

Sunday 10am - 3pm

Entry fee: \$5per entry, max 5 entries. Fee must accompany an entry form.

Free for under 18 and/or students.

25% commission is charged on all sales.

For more information including delivery details etc and/or entry forms contact:

David or John Beck 03 5664 1241 or Paul Beck (03) 5662 5255

Venue: Leongatha Memorial Hall, Cnr. Michael Place & McCartin's St

Contact: David or John Beck 03 5664 1241 or Paul Beck (03) 5662 5255

10 October

OPERA AT THE VINES—AROUND THE WORLD IN SONG

2 course dinner & show.

Time: Arrival 6pm. Show starts 6.45pm.

Complimentary glass of sparkling & canapes.

Bookings contact: 03 5658 1163

Venue: Djinta Djinta Winery, 10 Stevens Rd, Kardella South

Contact: Djinta Djinta Winery, 03 5658 1163

10 October

COAL CREEK LITERARY FESTIVAL

Organisers of the Coal Creek Literary Festival have expanded the short story and poetry competitions this year. Limited to only open categories last year, this year the competitions will include Primary and Secondary Schools. The Festival will stick to last year's theme of "The Magic of Words" which showed great appeal. An action packed day, with workshops held between 12 noon and 5pm, culminating in a closing gala night. The closing evening will include drinks and nibbles at the village's Cafe and a one act play performance by members of Leongatha Lyric Theatre.

DO HAVE ANY OLD BOOKS?

We would love to have them for our big book stall at the COAL CREEK LITERARY FESTIVAL.

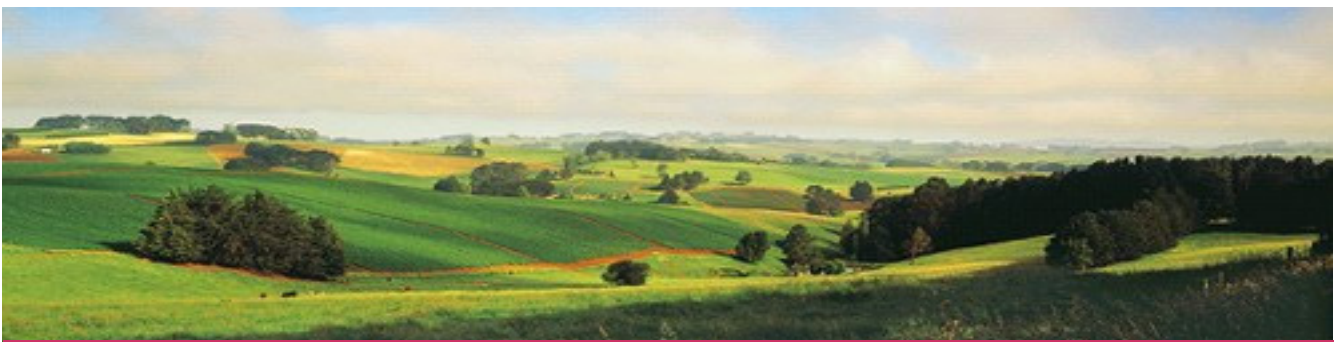
All categories welcome. Books can be left at Coal Creek reception between 9am - 5pm.

Donations will be accepted until Thu 8th October. Profits from book sales will help support Coal Creek Community Park, its environs & the museum collection.

Contact: Shirlee McPherson 0439079803 or **email:** shirleem@southgippsland.vic.gov.au

Venue: Coal Creek Heritage Village, South Gippsland Hwy, Korumburra

Website: <http://www.coalcreekvillage.com.au>



PROM COUNTRY SPRING EVENTS

11 October

9TH ANNUAL HYMN FEST

'Songs from the heart'. Come and be a part of what has become a very successful afternoon of song, join in the singing, listen to our guest artists. Money raised is donated back into our local community. Afternoon tea is supplied on the close of Hymnfest.

Time: 1.30pm—4.00pm

Venue: Loch Village Public Hall, Smith Street, Loch Village

Contact: Bev Button, 03 5658-1406. **Email:** hymnfest@aapt.net.au

23 October—24 October

WELSHPOOL DOG TRIALS

Watch working dogs round up sheep, cattle & ducks in a fun and friendly atmosphere. Lots of activities with camping also available.

Venue: Beloka Kelpie Stud, South Gippsland Hwy, Welshpool

31 October

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31 October

NEXT CONCERTIATO—PARKVILLE ENSEMBLE

31 October 2009 Season Opening Concert with the Parkville Ensemble 8PM. Alexander Borodin "Quartet No. 2" / Interval / Arvo Pärt "Summa" / Astor Piazzolla "Tango Ballet" / Javier Alvarez "Metro Chabacano". The musicians: Violins: Rachael Hunt, Rachel Gamer, Viola: Jason Bunn, Cello: Philippa Gardner.

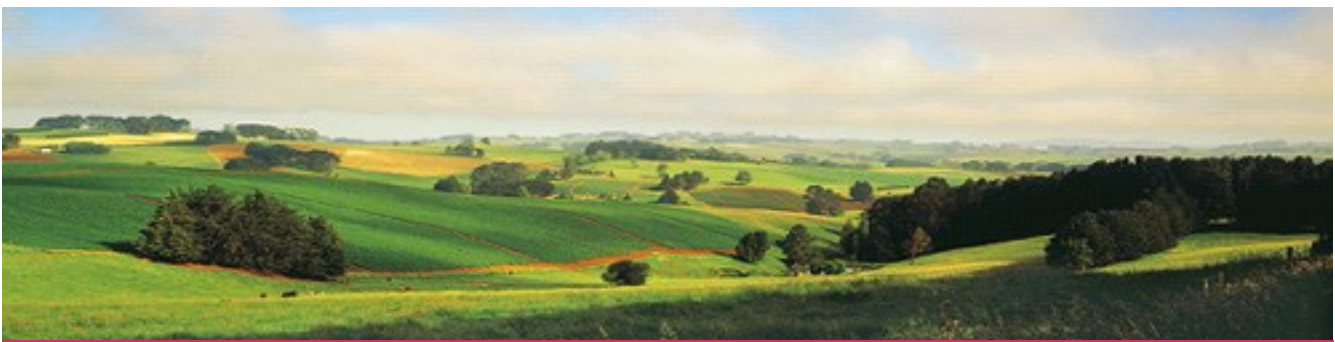
Venue: The Celia Rosser Gallery and Banksia Café, Promontory Road, Fish Creek

Time: Arrive at 7pm for an 8pm start

Cost: \$55 per person.

Enquiries: to Andrew Rosser andrew@celiarossergallery.com.au





PROM COUNTRY SPRING EVENTS

31 October

HALLOWEEN AT COAL CREEK

A celebration of Halloween on Saturday October 31st from 5.30pm to 10pm will see the whole Park decorated for the occasion. Sponsored by Michaels IGA, Shire of South Gippsland, the Korumburra Business Association and Coal Creek this fun evening will include prizes for the best dressed characters, free activities including a Haunted House, a Monster Bash Disco, roving performers and Apple Bobbing and a bonfire finale beginning at 8pm.

The evening will begin with 'trick or treat' for children under 16 years. Pre-purchase tickets are \$5.00 (BYO Trick or Treat bag) available from 1st October in Loch, Leongatha, Meenyan, Foster, Mirboo North, Warragul, Inverloch and Wonthaggi. A spooky Ghost Train (pre-purchase tickets \$5.50) will be running and there will be food stalls as well as the cafe.

Also featuring at Coal Creek from October 24th to November 8th will be entries in the annual Scarecrow Competition. There is \$300 in prizes to be won.

Time: 5.30pm to 10pm

Contact: Coal Creek Village, 03 5655 1811

Venue: Coal Creek Heritage Village, South Gippsland Hwy, Korumburra

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1 November

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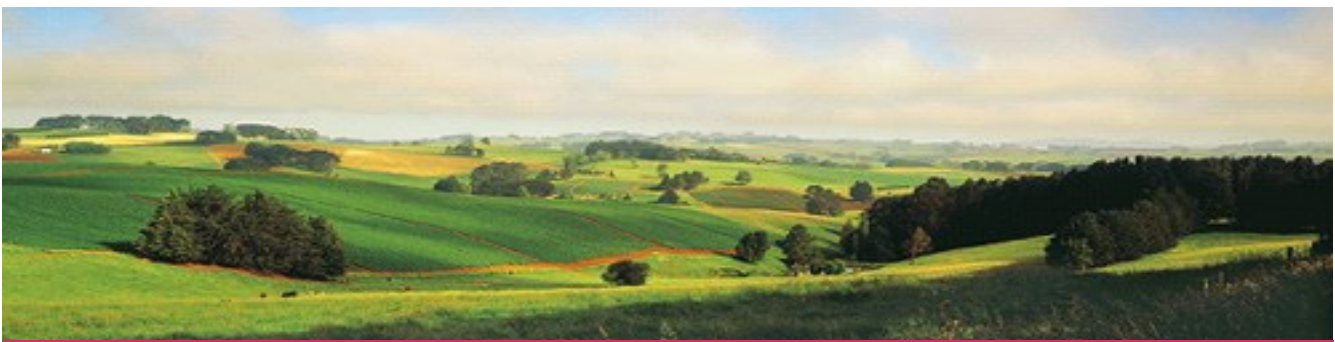
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13 November—14 November

LEONGATHA ROSE SPECTACULAR

Rose show featuring old fashioned roses, plant and cake stalls, talks and demonstrations, refreshments available from Red Cross, large open garden.

Times: Friday 12noon to 5pm, Saturday 9am to 4.30pm

Cost: Entry: \$3

Venue: Leongatha Memorial Hall, Cnr. Michael Place & McCartin's St

Contact: Joan Michael, 03 5662 3548

20 November—22 November

MEENIYAN CARNIVALE

A weekend of events. November 20th, 21st and 22nd

A WEEKEND OF EVENTS TO CELEBRATE LYREBIRD ARTS COUNCILS 10TH ANNIVERSARY.

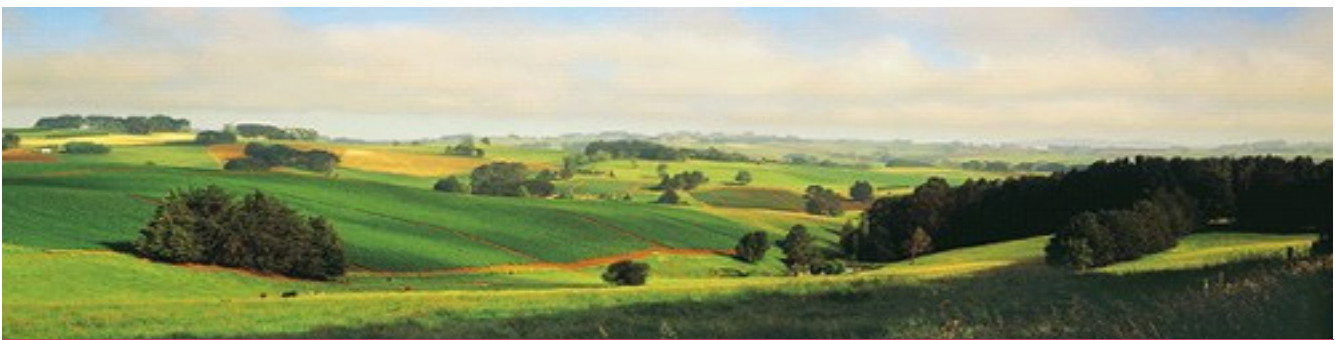
November (20 - 22nd) the town of Meeniyan will be a focal point for celebration, with live music in the Hall on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights featuring artists such as Ash Grunwald, The Audrey's, Tim Rogers, Chris Wilson and more. The Meeniyan Hotel will have free live music over the weekend, there will be a street party on the Saturday with free live music, art, wine, food and craft stalls and exhibitions, free kids entertainment, art workshops, vintage cars and a whole lot more.....

Venue: Meeniyan Township

Contact: Lyrebird Arts Council, (03) 5664 9239

Website: <http://www.lyrebirdartscouncil.com.au>





PROM COUNTRY MARKETS

PROMONTORY HOME/PRODUCE MARKET

Venue: Foster Showgrounds, Foster

Time: 8am Start

Contact: Max Parnell, 03 5682 2654

2009/10: Nov 1st, Dec 6th/27th, Jan 24th, Mar 7th, Apr 4th

TARWIN LOWER MARKET

Venue: Tarwin Lower Memorial Hall, Tarwin Lower

Time: 8:30am start

Contact: Carol Dwyer 5663 7657

2009/10: Monday of a Public Holiday

MIRBOO NORTH MARKET

Venue: Baromi Park, Mirboo North

Time: 8:30am start

Contact: Maxine, 03 5668 2465

2009/10: Last Saturday of every month.

STH GIPPSLAND FARMERS MARKET

Venue: Koonwarra Memorial Park, Koonwarra

Time: 8.30am start

Contact: Juliet Klauer 03 5659 8208

2009/10: 1st Saturday of each month.

LOCH VILLAGE MARKET

Venue: Railway Siding, Loch

Time: 8:30am start

Contact: Ron Payne 03 5659 0212

2009/10: 2nd Sunday of each month Oct—Apr

INVERLOCH FARMERS MARKET

Venue: The Glade, Inverloch

Time: 8am to 1pm

Contact: Peter Arnold, 03 5664 0096

2009/10: 3rd Sunday of each month

PROM COUNTRY FARMERS MARKET

Venue: Foster WMAC hall, Main St, Foster

Time: 8am—12noon

Contact: Market Manager 03 5682 1345

2009/10: 3rd Saturday of each month.

JUMBUNNA BUSH MARKET

Venue: The Main Hall, Jumbunna

Time: 8:30am start

Contact: Dawn Wylie 03 5657 3253

2009/10: 1st Sunday of each month.

KONGWAK MARKET

Venue: Korumburra—Wonthaggi Rd, Kongwak

Time: 10am start

Contact: Jane 0417 142 478

2009/10: Every Sunday

TOORA MARKET

Venue: Former Bonlac Store, Jetty Rd, Toora

Time: 8am start

Contact: Joyce 03 5688 1237

2009/10: 2nd Saturday of each month.

LOCH PUBLIC HALL WINTER MARKET

Venue: Loch Public Hall, Smith St, Loch

Time: 9am—1pm

Contact: Jennie Kennedy, 03 5659 4305

2009/10: 2nd Sunday of each month May—Sep

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