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Friday November 16th 2012 President Neil Guscott Vol. 39 No. 44

Marysville Art Show - Congratulations to all

Photo:
Lisa Nolte, Art Show President, and Murrindindi Shire CEO, interested in Art Show Judge, Louise Foletta's explanations on the merits of the various winners of their categories.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Art Show shine this year.

With a large number of works sold and $3,500 worth of prizes distributed, the show was a fantastic success and a testament to our community's willingness to work together to get a great result. The Visitor Information Centre is a fantastic venue for the show and we appreciate MMT sharing the space for the week.

The following awards were given:

Best Exhibit ~ Murrindindi Shire Award non-acquisitive ~ $1,000
36. Joan Denner, *Pine cones,* **Oil**

Family of the late Joy and Lloyd Gould award non-acquisitive ~ $750

16. Phillip Brady *Valley Heights* **Oil on Canvas**
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94. Wykeham Perry *Gardening* **Oil**
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109. John Sharp *Thrush* **Dry Point Etching ($600)**

88. & 90. Vida Pearson *Red Tail Blacks & Helmeted Guinea-fowl* **Linocut ($200)**

115. Lois Thompson *Corner Talk* **Pastel ($200)**

69. Jan Long *Shedding the Bark* **Watercolour ($200) Winner People's Choice ($200)**

28. Kate Collins *Cow in a Meadow* **Mixed Media ($200)**

The raffle, a work donated by artist Josephine Pittito, was won by Judy Nolte of Burwood.

Special thanks to dynamo ticket seller Benjamin.

A total of more than $5,000 was raised over the five days.

As part of the Triangle Arts Group's (TAG) mission to promote the Arts in our area, these funds will be passed on to Triangle Community Steelbands to go towards the Australian Steelband Festival, Marysville 2013 in April next year.

Thank you to Murrindindi Shire, the Sparkling Wine Festival and all the businesses that contributed to the prizes listed above and/or to the opening night function.

To Louise Foletta, thank you for judging the show with such style and care, your presentation speech is always informative and uplifting.

Special thanks to the Artists and ground crew who practically lived at the VIC for the long weekend manning the desks and maintaining the atmosphere. It couldn't be done without you.

See you all again next year.

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What's on When in November

Thursday 15	- CFA Narbethong - Meeting 8.00 pm
	- CFA Buxton - Training 7pm
Sunday 18	- Friends of Marysville Walks AGM (see notice)
Monday 19	- Marysville Saddle Tramps AGM – 7.30pm Narbethong Hall
Wednesday 21	- Marysville Pre-School/Kindergarten's AGM 7pm
Sunday 25	- Marysville Community Market
Thursday 29	- MDF&NC AGM - 7pm (see notice)
Sunday Dec 2	- CFA Buxton - Meeting @ 9.00am
Monday Dec 3	- Narbethong Progress Assoc - Meeting 7.30pm, Narby Hall
Sunday Dec 9	- Buxton Community Christmas Party
	- Carols by Candlelight - Marysville
Tuesday Dec 11	– Narbethong History Group - Meeting 10 am, Narby Hall
Thurs Feb 14, 2013	- Buxton Recreation Reserve - Public Meeting - 7.30pm at Buxton Hall

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Afternoon tea will be provided. A walk through the beauty spot reserve will conclude the afternoon's activities.
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MARYSVILLE SADDLETRAMPS

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Once again the Marysville and District Lions club will be sponsoring children to attend the Licola Lions camp.

The camp dates are Jan 13-18,or Jan 21-25,depending on preference and availability.

Children must be between 8 and 11 years of age.

These camps are run by Lions clubs and are great fun and adventure for all.

If you are interested and want more information please contact Glenn on 0458 787 910 before Nov 20.

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Wonderful music in Narbethong

The hills were indeed alive with the sound of music in Narbethong on Sunday 28th October. Narbethong Community Hall was full and the appreciative audience joined in with the 50-piece Melbourne Concert Orchestra playing a mixture of classical, oldie and contemporary hits. The audience gave a standing ovation to the orchestra at the conclusion of the concert.

"The Orchestra playing and singing was marvellous," said organiser Rosemary Sisson, President of Narbethong Progress Association. "The Buxton Primary School children were a highlight."

Orchestra members were highly impressed with the hall's acoustics, and the beauty of it and its setting, and hoped to return for an encore in the not too distant future.

Rosemary Sisson thanked members of the Narbethong Progress Association and other community members for their hard work on the day and Marysville Lions for catering the orchestra's dinner.

NEW ROSE GARDEN FOR LIONS PARK

Late last year, the Marysville & District Lions were informed that we had a donation of rose plants. A nursery had donated two "Firestar" plants and Waverley Lions Club had added another twenty of the same.

We begged for more time as we had no garden ready, and in May this year a further four plants were donated, this time the "Lions Rose".

The garden was prepared several weeks ago, and on Saturday last four members of Waverley Lions Club, Past District Governor David Jones, his wife Monica and Rosemary and Keith Anderson, delivered the promised "Firestar" roses and assisted in planting them all.

On behalf of the community, we thank them all.

The Lions of Marysville & District have had a long-standing association with the Waverley Club, and we appreciate their love and support.

Pictured below from left, Rosemary, Monica, Keith and David from Waverley Lions and Graham Alman, Neil and Norman from Marysville & District. Photo taken by Pauline Alman.

Carols by Candlelight

Gallipoli Park

Sunday 9th December

beginning at 7·00pm

Put the date in your diary now !

Watch for more details next week!

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building has been transported to the North side of El Kanah.

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enquiries to Chairman, Robert Chaffe 5772 1620

Marysville Golf Report

The annual Marysville Golf Tournament will be held next weekend on the 16th 17th and 18th November. On Friday 16th a veterans mixed individual stableford 18 hole event will be played followed on Saturday by a 4BBB mixed stableford game. A stableford round will be played by those who are unable to get a partner. On Sunday a men's 27 hole stroke round will be held and all local golfers are invited to play in this or any of the previous days competitions. For more information about the tournament please contact Lou at the club on 59633241. Marysville golfers are asked to provide salads for each day of the tournament and to assist with the organization of the event.

Last Wednesday the golfers played a stroke round and Alan Howard (16) won the competition with nett 76 and also won the putting with 28 putts. Paul Hayden (31) was the runner up with nett 77 and Helen Howard played a gobbler on the challenging 12th hole.

The Thursday nine holers played par on the front nine holes and the winner was Laurie Wright with +2 followed by Ron Jones with +1. Dave Phillip's tee shot at the 4th hole was nearest the pin.

On Saturday in perfect weather conditions the men played the final of the Barton Cup and the winner was Peter Lilley (19) with nett 70. The daily winner was captain Sean Williams (19) with an outstanding nett 65 and Sean's round included just 26 putts. The ladies played a stroke round and Gail Leigh (11) was the winner with nett 73 and Helen Howard (24) was the runner up with nett 76. The nearest the pins were won by Sean Williams, Joe Tricarico, Tom Amos and a visitor from Rich River Golf Club Darren Talbot. Congratulations to all our weekly winners.

A reminder to all golfers from Eildon, Alexandra, Yea and Marysville that the first round of the Foodworks Murrindindi Masters will be held at Marysville on Saturday 1st December. Entries are now being accepted for this event.

Our thanks to those members who volunteered their help at the Marysville Marathon last Sunday and congratulations to the organizers for another successful event.

For information about the club contact Lou on 5963 3241 or visit the website at www.marysvillegolfandbowls.com

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Australia Day nominations extended

Murrindindi Shire Council is encouraging community members to put forward those who have contributed much to our community as part of the 2013 Australia Day Awards.

Mayor John Walsh said nominations have been extended in an effort to provide time for people to get nominations in.

“The nomination process has been a little slow, but we are hoping that our community groups, social clubs and service organization get behind the process,” Cr Walsh said.

“The awards are very special and a great recognition of the way people go about their business in making our shire great.

“It is a way we can say thanks to those people who make a huge difference to our community, but go about their role out of the spotlight. It is the community’s way to say ‘thanks for your efforts’.

Nominations are open in the following categories:

Murrindindi Citizen of the Year
Murrindindi Young Citizen of the Year
Murrindindi Community Event of the Year

The awards are a highlight of official Australia Day celebrations across the shire.

“There are many wonderful people who are worthy of the Citizen of the Year Award and the development of our young people also continues to impress with a range of young leaders emerging,” Cr Walsh said.

“And in recognition of the many events that bring our community together, attract visitors or have a positive impact – we encourage nominations for the of community event of the year.

“There is a lot to be proud of in our shire, none more so than the people that do the small things to make it a great place.”

Nominations close Wednesday 21 November.

Nomination forms can be collected for Council offices and criteria (and form) can be found on Council’s website at www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au and go to the rolling banner for details.

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VicForests help children climb to success

The Victorian timber industry has again demonstrated its community spirit by donating Victorian Ash timber to a local outdoor activity centre.

Camp Marysville, owned and operated by Outdoor Education Group, is due to be completed by February next year and will be open for youth groups, schools, churches and the general public to enjoy. The wood supplied by VicForests will be used to create the organisation's first 20 metre high climbing tower.

Tony Pammer, CEO of Outdoor Education Group, said: "We're really aware of the issues surrounding timber harvesting and it's been really good to work with VicForests and learn much more about the process, and how they harvest in a sustainable way.

"Our organisation is very environmentally minded and therefore, sourcing local wood was also enormously important to us. If VicForests had not donated the local Mountain Ash, we would have had to source different wood from close to the Queensland/New South Wales border," said Mr Pammer.

The 19 and 20 metre logs, weighing approximately four tonne each were hauled by Forestree Pty Ltd with assistance from Dindi Sawmill. The huge haul required a local police escort who guided the wood to its destination, making for a dramatic entrance.

Liz Langford, VicForests Regional Engagement Manager, said: "VicForests is happy to assist local communities in whatever way we can.

"The Mountain Ash timber supplied to Camp Marysville was has come from local, sustainable harvesting operations in the Toolangi State forest.

"The timber industry is an integral part of many parts of regional Victoria, providing jobs, supporting local economies. The donation to Camp Marysville is just one example of how VicForests and the wider timber industry supports and assists regional communities.

"On behalf of VicForests, I would like to thanks Robin McKinnell from Foerstree and Dindi Sawmill. We really appreciate his assistance and applaud him for his ongoing dedication to community involvement and support.

As well as donating timber to various causes, we also have an annual Community Support Program that provides grants of up to $2000 to regional community groups and services who make successful applications for assistance. VicForests also provides ongoing financial support to a number of regional groups and services," said Liz.

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Nominations are open in the following categories:

Murrindindi Citizen of the Year
Murrindindi Young Citizen of the Year
Murrindindi Community Event of the Year

These awards provide all Shire of Murrindindi residents with the opportunity to pay tribute to our outstanding local achievers.

Please download the nomination form from our website www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au or call Kat James on 5772 0341.

Nominations close at 5pm on Friday 9 November 2012

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The popularity of the Australia Day celebrations in the shire increases every year with more communities wanting to hold events.

It is therefore puzzling that each year nominations for the shire's community recognition awards are difficult to obtain.

It may be a timing issue. Australia Day is the culmination of the Christmas holiday period, however we need to call for nominations so early to allow time for the panel to decide on the recipients for Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and the Event of the Year, well before the Christmas break.

I know there are many worthy community members and fantastic events that are eligible but to be officially recognised they have to be nominated by the members of the community.

Please take a moment to reflect on who and what has made a contribution to our community and put in nominations by Wednesday 21 November.

Recent National Broadband Network press releases indicate that our advocacy for early implementation of the NBN may have had some limited success with roll-out expected from late 2013 through to 2015.

I await the details that have been promised in proposed briefings in the coming months.

But we need to be aware that we cannot have the great advantages in health, education, entertainment, business and safety that the technologies provide without the associated infrastructure such as antennas.

While every effort should be made to minimise intrusions on the landscape we must keep in mind the great benefits that will be available to all with the advent of high speed data communications. We will provide more details as they come to hand.

Cr John Walsh

Making war, not love! Snakes fight for mating rights

If you see two large venomous reptiles fighting this Spring, please quietly head the other way – they have a serious wrestling match to settle before one can win the girl.
Investigations by Senior Scientist Nick Clemann from the Department of Sustainability and Environment's (DSE) Arthur Rylah Institute (ARI) have helped to clarify a long-misunderstood aspect of the mating habits of local venomous snakes.
"We hear reports, and even get sent photos and footage, of pairs of various types of snakes that are 'braided' together. Almost everyone thinks that they are seeing mating behaviour, but what they are actually seeing is a ritualised wrestling bout between male snakes," Mr Clemann said.
"When you are out in the field and see two snakes twined around each other on a lovely Spring day, it's quite natural to think that they are mating."
"I've recently examined videos of Eastern Brown Snakes (*Pseudonaja textilis*) (taken in Victoria, ACT and South Australia), and the behaviour is consistent with ritual combat rather than mating."
"Although the sex of the snakes involved can't be definitely determined, they are most likely males, and their movements amount to vigorous wrestling, probably in an attempt to establish dominance and secure mating rights to a nearby female snake."
"Each of the observations of the Brown Snakes occurred in September or October, which is during the breeding season for this species, so there is clearly a link between the ritual combat and breeding. However, other species such as Copperhead Snakes (*Austrelaps ramsayi*) have been recorded fighting in Autumn, although this is probably a prelude to mating as well."
"Male Eastern Brown Snakes are larger than the females, and we know from other species of snake where this is the case that ritual combat plays a role in selecting which males are able to mate."
Some of the videos of the fighting brown snakes can be seen at: **http://www.flickr.com/photos/dsevictoria/sets/72157631946712304/**

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Shortlist of Bushfire Memorial sites

The Murrindindi Bushfire Memorial Working Group has developed a short-list of proposed memorial sites based on suggestions by members of the community in stage one of the consultation.

The consultation showed that communities preferred two larger memorials on both sides of the shire – one in the Kinglake Ranges and one around Marysville - along with smaller local community memorials provided in each of the towns in the shire where lives were lost.

Mayor John Walsh said selecting memorial sites was an important part of the process of creating the proposed community memorials.

"The Working Group believes this option would satisfy local needs and enable the stories of each community to be told, while still providing a significant space big enough to cater for large gatherings," Cr Walsh said.

"It potentially allows for memorials to be linked like pieces of a jigsaw to tell the story of the fire and the events.

"These sites will become highly significant and important public spaces of remembrance and reflection."

Tim Hart, who is consulting on landscape design to the Working Group, said sites needed to be in a place where local communities had a strong connection, as well as fulfilling aesthetic and practical criteria.

"The places need to have positive physical qualities such as views, shade and aspect and which allow for quiet reflection," Mr Hart said. "They also need to have a high public visibility".

Based on the findings of stage one of the community consultation, feedback from the Murrindindi Memorials Working Group and an assessment of each town, the following sites have been shortlisted as meeting the required criteria:

Regional Memorial Sites:

- Marysville – adjacent to Lions Park or along the Steavenson River
- Kinglake/Kinglake East - within Frank Thomson Reserve or at the site of the former Kinglake Central kindergarten

Local Community Memorial Sites:

- Narbethong - Narbethong Reserve
- Toolangi / Castella - at the community reserve on the former Castella school site (suggested after stage one consultation)
- Kinglake Central / Pheasant Creek - near the Community Centre / recreation reserve
- Kinglake West - near the Whittlesea Rd / Yea Road intersection
- Flowerdale - Moores Road Reserve (suggested after stage one consultation)

At this point, no separate memorial is proposed at Strath Creek although something could be potentially incorporated into the recently constructed viewing platform.

The community is encouraged to visit http://murrindindibushfirememorials.wordpress.com which has photographs and detailed information on each of the sites. There is also an opportunity to fill out a survey on the website and provide feedback on the shortlisted sites and other aspects of the memorial design.

Those who do not have internet access can contact Tim Hart on 0438 133 911.

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Key community projects have community at heart in Toolangi and Castella

A community house expansion, a magnificent walking trail, a garden straight from a magazine and a new park for locals and tourists have all been opened across Toolangi and Castella.

The four major projects, The Toolangi Castella District Community House Upgrade, Toolangi Tall Trees Trail, Toolangi Castella Community Garden and Castella Central Park Redevelopment were all opened with the community taking a tour of the respective ventures.

Mayor John Walsh said the projects were a credit to a hard working community.

“It has been a wonderful partnership with the community driving these projects that will have so many benefits for personal growth and development, as well as major tourism attractions,” Mayor Walsh said.

The Toolangi Castella District Community House upgrade provides a flexible venue where the community can come together for meetings, personal development and smaller social gatherings.

It will also provide a hub during and after emergency events.

The increase in size of the community house will also allow for more visiting services to the area which includes learning activities and support services.

The Toolangi Tall Trees Trail will take walkers, cyclists and horse riders through some of our region’s magnificent forests.

The Tall Trees Trail is a meandering multiuse pathway that follows the Myers Creek and Healesville-Kinglake Roads, providing a 10km long link between Monda Road, Toolangi to the Melba Highway at Castella and includes a sealed section passing through central Toolangi. The entire walk takes around two hours.

This beautiful trail passes through spectacular countryside close to the upper reaches of the Yea River, between the forested foothills of mountains including Paul’s Range, the Black Range, Blue Mountain and the majestic Mount St Leonard.

The Castella Central Park Redevelopment has seen the construction of a recreation facility to be enjoyed by both community members and visitors to the shire.

Situated on the Melba Highway at Castella, it is a starting and ending point for the CJ Dennis Centenary Trail. It provides picnic facilities, horse hitching and day yards and community amenities.

The Community Garden has far exceeded expectations, with the project extended for six months to allow another two gardens to be set up.

As an extension of the community's commitment to sustainability community members have been incredibly resourceful in acquiring materials throughout the building phase that are recycled, donated or otherwise locally sourced.

The gardens are seen as places where experimentation and trialing of new ideas can take place, particularly when adapting plants to local conditions or experimenting with novel gardening ideas. It is also a place where newcomers to the area can come to learn about the local conditions and gather gardening knowledge, before attempting to set up their own gardens.

The gardens are also seen as important places for community gatherings so spaces within the garden have been created to allow for passive enjoyment or social gatherings.

The projects have been funded through a range of donations. These have been provided by Murrindindi Shire Council, Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund, Federal Government, State Government, Melbourne Water, Helen Macpherson Smith Trust, The Australian Ballet Society Incorporated and the generous support of community groups and members.

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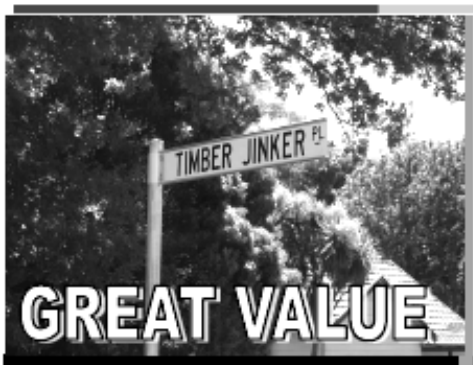

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Bridge takes shape at Yellow Creek, Taggerty

The finishing stages are being completed on a new bridge on Yellow Creek Road, Taggerty.

Funded under the State Government's Country Roads and Bridges Initiative (CRABI), the works will replace an old wooden bridge across Yellow Creek, with a new steel structure.

Murrindindi Shire Council is overseeing the $130,000 project.

Cathedral Ward Councillor Christine Challen said the works were welcomed.

"From feedback we have received from the worksite, those who use the road are pleased to be getting a new, wider bridge," Cr Challen said.

"While there have been some challenges with the weather, we expect the bridge and road realignment works will be completed in early December."

While there have been some minor disruptions, a temporary road has been put in place for local traffic to access the area.

The bridge works have been undertaken by Focus Engineering & Construction Pty Ltd.

VicForests helps gardens rise from the ashes of Black Saturday

VicForests has again assisted a range of regional community groups and services across the Central Highlands region including a number of community groups in Healesville.

This year almost 40 groups and services across eastern Victoria were awarded grants, or the opportunity for ongoing support through VicForests' Community Support Program.

Golden Wattle House in Healesville, one of the successful applicants of the Community Support Program, is an activity centre that plans and runs social and recreational activities for older frail and isolated people, and older people with a disability.

The organisation is using its grant to assist with a project developed to help re-establish local gardens that were destroyed by the Black Saturday bushfires.

Luisa Williams, Program Manager at Golden Wattle House, said: "Now that many people have rebuilt their homes after the Black Saturday bushfires, they are looking to their gardens and attempting to re-grow those.

"We grow seedlings and cuttings and then give them to those who lost their gardens in the bushfires. This project is the best thing to come out of the bushfires locally and it's a fantastic example of other things an aged- care activity centre can actually do. We are really grateful for the support.

"It has been really important that we keep this project going and with VicForests help, we've been able to do so," said Luisa.

Now in its third year, VicForests Community Support Program assists organisations that contribute to the wellbeing of local communities by providing grants of up to $2000 to charity groups, sporting groups, educational and community groups located across the Central Highlands, Gippsland and East Gippsland.

Liz Langford, Regional Engagement Manager, said: "This year's Community Support Program was again a very difficult to judge due to the number of very worthwhile projects that required funding.

"I would like to thank everyone who made an application for assistance though this year's program and would like to express how proud I am of the work VicForests undertakes to support regional communities.

"The forestry industry plays a key role in building and supporting rural and regional communities through its business activities and by sponsoring local community events and activities.

"Examples of other initiatives VicForests has provided funding for this year include; uniforms for junior sporting teams, outside broadcast equipment for a community radio station and a Christmas dinner for the disadvantaged; among many others," said Liz.

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What? ***Free sausage sizzle at 12pm; then Open House***

Sunday, Nov 25

Open House in fire station

Free Sausage Sizzle 12pm

CFA Sunday is a "showcase" day to provide community members the opportunity to get close & personal with the fire trucks, fire station and equipment involved.

Kids welcome!

Buxton Fire Brigade has some unusual extras not usually found in a bush brigade, including Defibrillators (ADEs) and Breathing Apparatus (BA), which we would be happy to demonstrate.

Triangle brigades have started a Junior Brigade, with leaders in Buxton, Marysville and Narbethong. This includes regular activities for 11 to 15yo boys and girls. Come talk to us about this or bring your children to join.

Have an analogue radio scanner, or plan to get one? Bring it along if you want the latest info on what frequencies are important – CB Truckie channel, CFA Dispatch, … – and we can help you configure your scanner.

Are you aware of the new CB Ch 8 repeater for Buxton/Taggerty informal community emergency use?

Speaking of Defibrillators, Buxton Fire Brigade plans to offer First Aid training soon, cut-rate to local community members: the more who know the basics, the better.

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Secretary, Buxton Fire Brigade

For Private Sale

1A MAREEBA AVENUE BUXTON – SUBSTANTIAL HOME WITH OUTSTANDING RIVER FRONTAGE AND A STUNNING GARDEN

A residential property at Buxton that is set in idyllic surroundings is offered for private sale by agents Pat Rice & Hawkins.

With a price expectation in excess of $450,000 the property known as 1A Mareeba Avenue Buxton offers a classic Australian style timber home with three Queen sized bedrooms, open plan kitchen, living and dining areas plus a study, all with split system air-conditioning, a wood fire for the winter and evaporative cooling.

There is also a double carport and a garden shed while the property sits on approximately one acre or 4,040 sqm.

All the basic property details however fail to illustrate the significance and appeal of this property.

Vendors Geoff and Robyn Dowsing who are selling to downsize and retire have made the property both their hobby and challenge over the last decade.

Firstly they have capitalised on the advantages.

The property holds a riparian title to the Little Steavenson River that forms the rear property boundary.

With some 50 metres of direct river frontage and a title which extends to the middle of the stream Geoff has made enhancing the condition of the river one of his priorities.

With an unlimited water supply, (there is also a reticulated town water supply connected to the property) and with the chance to land a pan sized trout or two, there are also water views from most of the rooms.

And the riparian title restricts public access to the stream so privacy is assured.

The water availability has in turn allowed the Dowsings to create a stunning garden environment that now fully reflects their inputs in energy, careful garden design and plant choices.

The 1A Mareeba Avenue garden has twice featured in local district Open Garden days and has twice also has been listed as a feature of Australian Open Garden Scheme presentations.

In fact the garden is attracts a wealth of bird life, including a friendly Satin Bowerbird who eats directly from their hands.

Then there are adjacent features.

The village of Buxton with store, hotel, primary school, public hall and the local takeaway known as the Buxton Igloo is all within a comfortable walking distance.

Then there are multiple choices of nearby walking trails including the 'Meeting of the Waters' junction of the Steavenson and Acheron Rivers which is also within easy reach and enhanced by newly formed walking trails with suspension bridges.

Buxton itself is within easy reach of Marysville and the Maroondah Highway affords convenience with easy access to the Melbourne metropolitan area.

Pat Rice & Hawkins agent Robert Hills says that 1A Mareeba Avenue offers the new owner the unique combination of a unique and absolute river frontage, a charming garden that is fully established and in prime condition, with easy access to the adjacent Buxton village that offers a wide range of services and conveniences.

"The Dowsings magnificent garden fairly blooms while the property has that unique combination of a rural location, plenty of local district attractions without any sense of isolation.

"I regard 1A Mareeba Avenue Buxton as offering the choice of permanent living or the ideal weekender in a region that is close to town and with an incredible choice of activities, events, community infrastructure to enable participation in the diverse choices offered by the Murrindindi Shire."

Further property particulars, or appointments to inspect 1A Mareeba Avenue Buxton can be obtained from Pat Rice & Hawkins on 9866 5588 or selling agent Robert Hill on 0417 200 600.

Photo Caption

The residential property known as 1A Mareeba Avenue Buxton offers a unique combination of a classic three bedroom homestead of scale that is adjoined by an acclaimed garden developed to its exceptional presentation by the vendors over more than a decade.
Twice featured in two major regional and national Open Garden scheme days the garden is currently the home to a Satin Bowerbird who accepts his daily feed from the owner's hands.
The property has a coveted riparian title to the middle of the Little Steavenson River which forms the rear boundary of the 4,040 sqm (or one acre) property that is adjacent to the Buxton village.
Offers in excess of $450,000 are sought for this unique living opportunity.