

'The Yarner'

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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE MOUNTAIN CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

Contributions for the next edition are welcomed

please contact secretary@mcaav.com.au or call 03 5779 1747

DIARY DATES

4WD show

Melbourne Showgrounds

23-25 August 2013

call in and see Nook at the MCAV stall

AGM –

Friday 20th of September 2013

Akoonah Park Berwick

2014 Get Together at HINNOMUNJIE

Fri-Sun 10-12 January 2014

MCAV NEWS

Since our last Yarner there has been a lot of action behind the scenes at the MCAV.

The MCAV is working towards developing a **High Country History Hub**. Important High Country history (images, film, letters and documents) will be digitally recorded and then available through an online library set up. In this way all of history is preserved and is able to be searched for research.

This is a great step forward to ensuring our legacy remains in the public arena. Don't forget the NSW mountain cattlemen. Their history archives are now gone.

If you have any items you think may be important to our collection, please contact Graeme Stoney on 0428576090 graeme@stoney.com.au. The best thing about this project? Your special photos and documents can stay with your family yet you share the wealth of history by having them digitally catalogued.

Federal Election

The MCAV has met with Greg Hunt, the Shadow Minister for the Environment and has written letters to him to gauge his support to protect the heritage and culture of the Cattlemen

While he supports the Mountain Cattlemen Mr Hunt says a Liberal Federal Government has no interest in taking over responsibility for National Parks

The MCAV is not impressed with Mr Hunts lukewarm response to date.



MCAV is now on Facebook

We have 3000 likes now – please log on and “like us” now, **search** under Mountain Cattlemen's Association of Victoria.

2014 GET TOGETHER AT HINNOMUNJIE

We're all getting ready for Hinnomunjie and expect it to be a great weekend.

Don't forget tickets are available online for a limited time at \$85 per person for the entire weekend. This price includes entertainment and camping. Kids 17years old and under are FREE.

This will be the last Get Together for our fabulous event coordinator Scotty Jennison, so we want to make it a blast. Buy your tickets now and thanks Scotty for all the hard work – but it's not over yet!



This photo was taken at the 2013 Get Together. Get your hats ready for the 2014 event at Hinnomunjie. *Photo by Dale Wickberg*

MCAV – REGISTRATION PLATES

The MCAV has received a few complaints about drivers with the MCAV rego plates in the bush. Stories have reached us of rubbish left behind and campsites left in an untidy state.

Please remember when you have those number plates you do have an affinity with the Mountain Cattlemen and bush etiquette is very important to us. Please **DO THE RIGHT THING**.

COMING EVENTS

MCAV AGM

FRIDAY 20 SEPT 2013

Location: AKOONAH PARK, BERWICK AT 10.00AM

2014 GET TOGETHER

AT HINNOMUNJIE

FRI 10TH – SUN 12TH OF JANUARY 2014

Location: HINNOMUNJIE RACECOURSE
ON OMEO BENAMBRA RD, GATES OPEN 9AM

JUNIOR CATTLEMENS CUP

Changes have been made to this race for the 2014 Get Together. A points system will determine the overall winner of the Junior Cattlemen's Cup, however there will also be prizes for each individual race that makes up the competition.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION



Photo by Ian Currie

Do you have a great photo of the High Country?

We are offering 3 double passes to the next Get Together in January for winners.

3 categories

1. BEST High Country Landscape
2. BEST Portrait of a man or woman from the High Country
3. BEST Portrait of a horse

Submit your photo (no entry fee payable) in a jpeg format (no greater than 3MB) to **MCAV facebook page** and by email secretary@mca.com.au.

Entries close on 30th of September 2013.

First prize for each category – 2 weekend passes to the 2014 Get Together at Hinnomunjie on Jan 10 – 12, 2014.

Second prize for each category – 1 weekend pass to the 2014 Get Together at Hinnomunjie on Jan 10 – 12, 2014 – **Conditions** on facebook and www.mca.com.au

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MCAV ASSOCIATES PAGE

Without the MCAV Associates, the organisation wouldn't have the strength and popularity it enjoys. From now on the Yarnier will showcase our associates, our hidden treasures.



Spotlight on NEVILLE WRIGHT

An Associate member with half a life time of practical experience. Neville has been an Associate member of the MCAV since 1992.

His practical support for the cause has been outstanding. Each year Neville runs the MCAV Heritage Ride. He caters and organises the ride to much acclaim.



Next season the heritage ride is planned to be in memory of Buff Rogers up at the Cobberas, Black Mountain area. Watch this space for details.

Where do we start telling readers about Neville?

During his working life Neville has been a truck driver, drover, shearer, musterer, farm owner and manager, deer hunter



Photos Graeme Stoney

and member of the ADA, and the CFA for 40 years.

Neville is a farrier of note and has given presentations in USA about hoof care on two separate occasions.

Neville is no stranger to the bureaucracy being involved with several groups interested in management of Public Land and he has been a Shire Councillor in the City of Wangaratta.

His most recent appointment has been to the newly formed Alpine Advisory Committee, we wish him well.

Neville is a bush cook and caterer of note and guests have enjoyed his skills at several MCAV functions.

Neville Wright is an obliging, self-effacing capable man who is a friend to many and he carries the message of good public land management wherever he goes

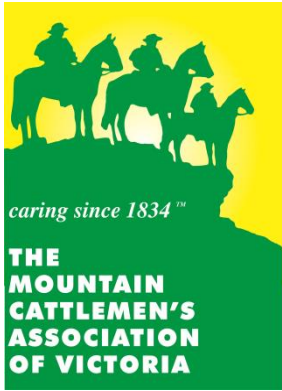
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP 2013-14

Now is the time to renew your membership

Please find the form on the back of this Yarnier and send to:

Georgie Connan, MCAV Secretary

Shop 11, 20 Highett Street, Mansfield 3722.



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Associate Membership 2013-14

Full Name.....

Address

.....Postcode

To help reduce costs, we prefer to correspond via email so please update your details when they change.

EmailBest Phone.....

Please indicate:

New

or

Renewal

Family Membership

\$40.00

or

Single Membership

\$30.00

(Membership Subs include 10% GST)

Payment can be made by one of the following methods:-

- Mailing cheque/postal note to:
The Secretary, MCAV, Shop 11, 12-20 Highett St Mansfield 3722
- EFT or Direct Deposit made to Westpac Bank (MCAV)
BSB: 033203 A/c No: 372489 in reference put last name
(Please email remittance advice to secretary@mca.vic.com.au)
- Completing & mailing Credit Card (Visa, Mastercard or Bankcard) details to the Secretary.

Type of card (Visa, etc) Name on the card

Date of Transaction: Amount: \$.....

Cardholder's signature Expiry date/.....

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Please Help Us to retain our Pioneering Heritage

- To reinstate our 175 year tradition of grazing cattle on summer pastures of the high country.
- To encourage proper management of alpine areas and to maintain access to public land.
- To show our bureaucrats, politicians and opponents that we have a strong and committed support base.
- To increase our funds and to form a war chest to fight for our grazing licences, our history and our heritage.

Your subscription to the Association will do all of these things with membership entitlements as follows:

Newsletters, discount on merchandise purchases of \$30 or more at the Get-Together in January, annual magazine *Voice of the Mountains* and knowing mountain cattlemen value your support and encouragement