

Grenfell's biggest trees



Derek McIntosh and Peter Stephen's measuring the Lemon Scented Gum.

On Friday November 16, Derek McIntosh came to Grenfell to look at some of our larger trees. He began by looking at the large Lemon Scented Gum tree in the St Joseph's Primary school playground. He met with Mr Peter Stephens, the principal of the school and took the following measurements of the tree-

* circumference (at 1.4 metres above the ground)- 5.23metres (205 inches) * Height - 20 metres (65 feet) * Crown - 27 metres (88 feet)

We are not exactly sure how old the tree is, however Pam Livingstone also has a Lemon Scented Gum of a similar size growing in her garden and believes it was planted in the 1940's, and in light of this we believe it is probably around 65 years old.

The following day Phillip and Jan Diprose accompanied me and we took Derek on a tour of the Grenfell area to show him some of our largest trees. We began on Murray Mitton's property taking him to see a large Grey Box growing near some remanent vegetation. It was a very old tree that had obviously endured some difficult times, also of interest was the fact that there was a tree of a similar size nearby with a Wedge-tailed Eagle nesting in it.

This Grey Box had the following measurements- * circumference - 5.3metres * Height - 26 metres * Crown - 26 metres

It was estimated by Derek that this tree was probably



Students of St Joseph's playing under the big tree.

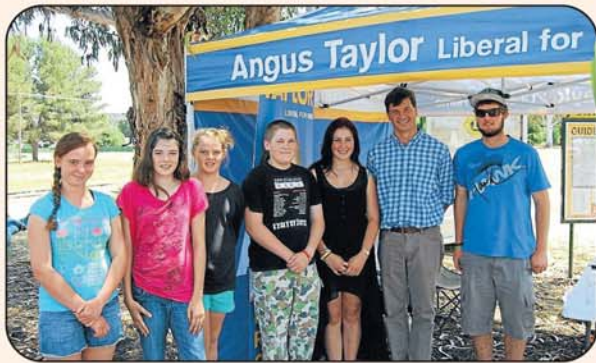


This large Grey Box is growing on Murray Mitton's property near some remnant vegetation.

around 200 years old. We believe that the tree is considerably older than this. This tree is the largest of its type on the National Register and is currently the National Champion. In the coming weeks there will be more information about the other trees that we visited published in the Grenfell paper.

If you are interested in nominating a tree please look at the website <http://www.nationalregisterofbigtrees.com.au>

Jacqui Mitton



Grenfell Leo Club members meeting the Liberal candidate for the seat of Hume, Angus Taylor, at last Sunday's Lions Market Day at the Railway Station. They were (l/r) Clare McAway, Brooke Brown, Tara Anderson, Tom Perrott, Rebecca Neame, candidate Angus Taylor and Dylan Troy.



Lions street stall this Friday and Saturday

Lions will be holding their bi-annual street stall this coming weekend.

There will be all sorts of cakes, slices and other cooking plus chutneys pickles and jams. Farm eggs will also be available as will plants and other items of bric- a -brac. Margaret's world famous scones and lamingtons will also be available. There will also be a raffle for a voucher.

Lions Letters to Santa will also be on sale on the street stall. This is your last chance to surprise your youngster or your grandchild with a letter from the North Pole. LIONS HELPING SANTA

Our Lions Mini Lotto has now jackpotted to \$10,000. We have dropped

one number and that is No. 20.

This week pick your six numbers from 1-19. This week's draw is at the Royal Hotel at approximately 6.30pm. You entries can be left at Grenfell Meats Dykhoffs Bakery, Caltex Service Station, Reids Hardware, Railway Hotel, Royal Hotel, Bowling Club, Criterion Hotel, Albion Hotel, or at any establishment where you see the big yellow box. All you have to pick is 6 numbers from 19 to win this motza.

What a wonderful pick up it could be with Christmas just around the corner. Last week we had three people who were so close and picked 5 numbers.

Lion Hazel Pickwell - Publicity

Grenfell Art Gallery invite

The Grenfell Art Gallery will be holding an exhibition of local works titled 'The Art Of The Possible' from March 26 to April 20, 2013 and extends an invitation to all artist to be part of this exhibition by painting a portrait or two, of a local identity.

This can be in any form and style, with humour being the key word. Serious portraits are also acceptable.

All works must be suitably framed for hanging.

This early notice is to give you plenty of time over the holidays to take some time out to paint.

This exhibition will also feature various works including sculpture.

We are happy to hear from any local person who may have other art or craft work suitable for exhibition in the Gallery.

If you are interested and require any further information, please contact Chris Lobb on 6343 1313.