

Poker Tournaments

**Every Monday,
Wednesday &
Saturday Night**

**Monday & Wednesday:
\$20 Freeze Out Tournament**

No rebuys No add ons
Registration 6.30pm onwards
Starts at 7.00pm

SATURDAY

Registrations from 7.30pm
Starts at 8.00pm
\$25 entry fee

LIVE MUSIC

**Every Friday Night
& Sunday Afternoon**



AUSTRALIA DAY Big Aussie BBQ lunch

KICKS OFF AT MIDDAY

- Free Jumping Castle for kids
 - Beer Garden for Adults
 - Indoor 20 20 Cricket Match
 - Aussie Olympics. Weird & wacky games.
- Prizes on the day. Dress up for a prize!
BEER SPECIALS ALL DAY

EVERY TUESDAY

Scotch Fillet Steak Night \$15

EVERY THURSDAY

Schnitzel Night includes free soft drink
 \$12 Beef or Chicken

Friday Night Meat Raffles

in front & rear bar from 5.30pm - all welcome

Happy Hour 5.00-7.00pm

Opening Times

9.30am - 12.00 midnight Sunday
 9.30am - 1am Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
 9.30am - 2am Thursday, Friday & Saturday
**RSL customers: Please park on left hand
 side of Banner carpark if using the carpark**

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CROSS-BORDER CONSERVATION: The rare Ancient Greenling, which occurs in local wetlands, will appear on the logo of Nature Glenelg Trust, a new environmental organisation that has been established to work across the South Australian and Victorian border.

Picture: BRYAN HAYWOOD.

States join environmental forces

WORLD Wetlands Day next Thursday will be marked locally with the announcement of a new environmental organisation to protect and enhance the natural environment of the South East and South West Victoria.

The Nature Glenelg Trust will be a cross-border not-for-profit organisation sporting a logo with a stylised version of the Ancient Greenling, a rare type of damselfly.

Nature Glenelg Trust manager Mark Bachmann, who is based in Mumbannar in Victoria, said the organisation's purpose is to work with the community and other partners.

"We will have a particular focus on wetland conservation and restoration activities, but will also work on a wide range of other biodiversity projects," he said.

"It is important to recognise that this new organisation has been created by people that live in this region, for this region."

Mr Bachmann said the organisation would have the ability to work freely on both sides of the state border, which can otherwise cause headaches for organisations that are tied to working within what is purely an

administrative boundary.

"Environmental issues do not recognise the state border, and we believe our efforts to address them shouldn't either," he said.

Mount Gambier-based Cath Dickson, a threatened species ecologist with Nature Glenelg Trust, hopes people will warm to the organisation's new logo of the Ancient Greenling.

"The Ancient Greenling is a rare type of damselfly, which to most people will look like a miniature dragonfly," she said.

"It just so happens that this globally significant species occurs in wetlands in our region, on either side of the state border, so they seemed like an obvious choice for us, particularly as people tend to overlook the small creatures that play important roles in our environment, such as insects."

The new organisation will be financially supported to undertake what it hopes will be significant on-ground environmental projects, by operating two consulting businesses and by seeking environmental grant funding.

For more information about Nature Glenelg Trust, go to www.natureglenelg.org.au from February 2.



LOCAL REPRESENTATION: Mount Gambier based Cath Dickson, pictured doing wetland vegetation survey work, is the threatened species ecologist with the cross-border environmental organisation Nature Glenelg Trust.

Community input welcomed on Telstra plan

TELSTRA'S Regional and Rural Presence Plan for 2012/15 is open for consultation.

Telstra Country Wide executive director Rebekah O'Flaherty said the draft plan demonstrated Telstra's ongoing commitment to regional, rural and remote Australia and was publicly available for comment over the next 42 days.

"Telstra's dedication and commitment to serving the needs of regional customers is long-standing and will continue in the www.borderwatch.com.au

future," Ms O'Flaherty said.

Telstra's carrier licence also requires the company to maintain a local presence in regional, rural and remote Australia.

"Before we provide our draft plan to the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, Government regulation requires Telstra to publish the plan and we invite comment," Ms O'Flaherty said.

"Telstra prides itself on its commit-

ment to delivering leading products and services to our customers in every corner of Australia - continuing upgrades to our mobile network, including the introduction of 4G in more than 60 regional locations to date, is demonstrable proof of our commitment."

The draft plan is available for comment until February 26 at telstra.com.au/abouttelstra/commitments/regional-rural-presence-plan.