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CATTLEMEN TO GATHER AT MERRIJIG

Ned Kelly armour to be copied by Blacksmith on site

The Mountain Cattlemen will hold their annual Get together at Merrijig on the 8/9/10 January 2016

A feature of this large and traditional gathering will be a weekend long demonstration of blacksmithing by well-known professional blacksmith, independent Victorian Senator John Madigan.

Senator Madigan will recreate a replica of the Kelly armour as well as holding demonstrations as to how this ancient skill works. The completed armour will be raffled during the weekend

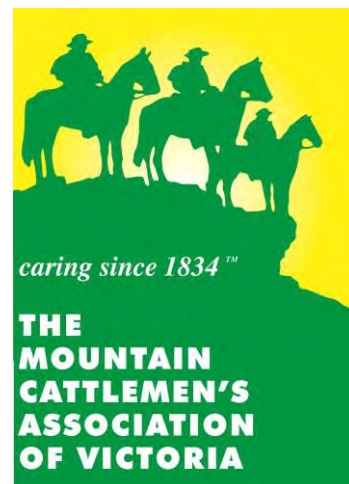
The Blacksmithing demonstration is part of an overall theme of the weekend which is to celebrate the heritage and culture of the Cattlemen. To that end, a parade featuring early milestones of High Country history will take place on the Saturday afternoon. The parade is directed by Geoff Burrowes of Snowy River films fame.

The popular Cattlemen's Cup, dog high jump, poetry competition and bands on three nights are all crowd favourites and up to 4000 people are expected to attend. The MCAV website carries more information including discounted online ticket sales. www.mcav.com.au

"Merrijig always put on a good show and this one will be bigger and better than ever" President of the MCAV Charlie Lovick said this week.

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