Road side clearing of mature aged trees around Lake Tyers and Lakes Entrance was arbitrary to say the least. Huge trees in rainforest areas were felled leaving no canopy to protect the under storey. Many of the trees felled in Scrivens Rd for example contained hollows and were homes to a number of native bird and animal species. The clearing seem to contradict East Gippsland policies such as East Gippsland’s Substainabity Report for 2017. What consultations were made, if any before such rampant clearing took place? Local residence are now left with an ugly fire pone corridor which has the potential to fan fires. Young tradesmen now use this road as a thoroughfare where speed limits are flouted. Forest drives were previously advertised as a tourist draw card. More community consultations should occur before hundreds of significant trees are carelessly bull dozed.