



THE BUNGONIA TIMES



"The Community Grape Vine"

The Bungonia Times would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the holiday season & drive carefully!

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outside the Brooks' home in Bungonia by the 20th of each month. Please ensure that

all contributions are received before this date. For any late items, a fee will be charged at \$5.00 extra per item.

COULD ALL ORGANISATIONS PLEASE SUBMIT A YEARLY TIMETABLE OF PROPOSED EVENTS FOR 1994, TO THE TIMES' COMMITTEE, BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING ON JANUARY 20TH. THIS IS TO ALLOW CO-ORDINATION OF EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

TENNIS CLUB

Contact: Dennis Jenkins 48 4241 Bob Brooks 48 4216

NEXT MEETING: Feb 7th at 7.30p.m. in Tennis Shed.

Agenda: To organise the Tournament

FEES: Adults \$5. Anyone is eligible to become a member. Please pay Bob Brooks.
Children \$2

SOCIAL TENNIS: Every Monday from 10.30.a.m. until approx. 2.30 pm. If you want to have an enjoyable time, come and play with us. Any enquiries, phone Judith on 48 4324.

CHILDREN'S TENNIS:

Kids, bring your hat and sun screen and come and have a great time. For further information phone Judith Dennelly on 48 4324.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT will be held on Feb. 27th. See here for more details in the next issue.

BUNGONIA FAIR SOCIETY

This Society no longer functions as a separate group. Please see the Progress Association section for further information.

Christ Church

BUNGONIA 1893~1993

YEARS

CHRIST CHURCH - BUNGONIA

Enquiries: Dennis Jenkins 48 4241

Minister: Rev. John Thomas had his last service with us on November 14th. He was presented with a beautiful sketch of Christ Church Bungonia, by our most talented Lorraine Brooks.

Organist: Peg Green and now joined by Judith Dennelly.

NEXT FORMAL SERVICE: Dec 19th at 7.00p.m. **CHRISTMAS CAROL NIGHT** so bring along your best voices! The children will be giving a short presentation. This is a joint service for all churches, so everyone is welcome. This will also be the last service for the year, recommencing with informal services on the 16th January.

Every other Sunday there is a very informal sing-along at 9.30a.m. These are very popular, great for all the family to join in and get to know others in the district. A cup of tea is provided after the service.

Please note that the informal service on Dec 5th will not be held. Instead the congregation will be attending St. Nich's in Goulburn at 9.30 a.m. to farewell Rev. John Thomas and his family, who are leaving the district for the South Coast.

Sunday School: This is open to all denominations and is run on the 2nd Sunday of the month, so if your children would like to attend they are most welcome.

Group study sessions are held on Tuesday nights at 7.30p.m. The dates for the next Group studies are Nov 30th and Dec 14th. Supper is provided. All welcome. On Dec 14th a Christmas Party will be held at the

Broadhead's home starting at 7 p.m. B.Y.O. BBQ. Please ring Cherie for details of sessions in January.

*** If anyone would like a copy of the Commemorative Book from the Centenary, at \$15.00 per copy, please contact Cherie Jenkins.***

Cleaning and flower roster for December-Diana Moran

ST. PATRICKS - MARULAN

PRIEST: Father Brannley ^{eddy} 21 1022 .
Mass is held each Sunday at 4p.m.
The Christmas Services are as follows:

ST. STEPHENS UNITING CHURCH - MARULAN

Services are held every 2nd Sunday of every month at 9a.m.

Minister: Rev Yvonne Stevenson
Contact: Maureen Eddy on 41.1648
A Kid's Club has begun for primary school children. All welcome. Games, songs and afternoon tea. If anyone is interested please contact Dorothy Weeks on 41.1650
There will be a special Christmas Service, especially for the children on Dec. 12th. A christening will also be happening that day.

COMMUNITY BUS

This is run every second Wednesday, so keep the following dates in mind
Dec 8th Dec 22nd
Please contact Ruth Travers on 48 4290

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

President Bert Latham
Vice-president Ruth Travers
Secretary/Treasurer Moira McGinity

PLAYGROUP

Contact: Sue Farrugia 48 7158

Mothers and children meet every Thursday at 10.30 am. to 12.00 pm. for morning tea at the hall.

Any mothers and their children are very welcome. Please note the new day.

Our raffle on Market Day was won by M Thompson of Goulburn. Congratulations!

The Christmas Party will be on Dec. 16th. All welcome.

** COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD **

BIRTHDAYS:

Dec 11th	Melissa Zifovich	11 years
Jan 7th	Diane Zifovich	
Jan 12th	Peg Green	
Jan 16th	Chris Reid	
Jan 29th	Kira Broadhead	

Congratulations to Cassie Jenkins on gaining her driving licence on Oct 27th.

HAVE you got just a little time on your hands - say 5 minutes each morning? Well you might be able to help with a service called "Telecross". This provides a daily reassuring telephone call to the elderly, ill, disabled or housebound person who lives alone and is at risk of becoming ill suddenly, falling within the house or becoming unexpectedly incapacitated.

All a volunteer is asked to do is to make a phone call between 8 and 9a.m. each morning for 1 month out of 3, to make sure the person is up and about. If you are interested, please contact Cherie Jenkins on 48 4241 or the Telecross office in Goulburn on 22.1992 *Your call could be a life saver*

Two people called Cherie last week. If anyone is interested in helping, please give her a call.

LOST

Hereford cow and calf along Tarago Rd. area. Please check your herd and call 48.4202 Please leave a message.

FOR SALE

Washing Machine, Simpson F/Auto, fully automatic \$100.00 Phone Cherie on 48.4241

Chickens of various breeds, ducks and peacocks. There will also be a garage sale during December with Craft odds & ends Phone Helen on 48.5205

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GARDENING IN DECEMBER

Plant brassicas, stocks, pansies, gladioli and violas. Keep spraying roses if needed. Cut down delphiniums before seed forms and apply snail bait. Remove larkspurs and shirley poppies. Divide Iris after flowering. Finish planting zinnias, asters, bedding dahlias, petunias and phlox.

In the vegetable garden: Thin out carrots, beetroot and parsnips by cooking the smaller ones. Lift autumn sown onions, prune tomatoes.

Some locals have got together for **BUNGONIA'S BIGGEST GARAGE SALE**

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9.00am till 4.00pm Sat and Sun. Contact 48.4307 or 48.4215

COOK'S CORNER

A No-Bake Christmas Cake

125g copha	250g milk coffee biscuits
90g brown sugar	tsp salt
1 tbsp cocoa	1 tbsp mixed spice
125g chopped dates	45g chopped raisins
30g chopped mixed nuts	grated rind of 1 orange
3 tbsp sherry or orange juice	1 tbsp coffee essence

Melt copha over low heat. Crush biscuits and place in large mixing bowl with the sugar, salt, cocoa, spice, fruit, nuts and orange rind. Combine sherry and coffee essence with melted copha. Add to dry ingredients and mix thoroughly. Press mixture into 15cm round or 17cm square lined cake tin. Place in fridge until set. Serve in small blocks. Store in the fridge.

THE TATE FAMILY

Dick Tate, who wants to tell everybody what to do,
Ro Tate tries to change things around.
Agi Tate stirs up trouble.
Irri Tate always insists on lending Arri a hand.
Whenever new ideas are suggested,
Hesi Tate and Vegi Tate pour cold water on them.
Imi Tate tries to mimic everyone,
Devas Tate likes to destroy things.
Potentate likes to be a big shot,
But it is Faciii Tate, Cogi Tate and Medi Tate who always
save the day and get everyone pulling together.

HANDY HINTS

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS:

- 1) Melt the bottoms of long red candles and stick to the bottom of a glass bowl. When firmly attached, fill with water and the float flowers in it, ensuring the top of the candle is far enough out of the water.
- 2) Core bright red apples and again, using red candles, place them in the holes. Decorate with flowers, leaves, tinsel etc.

FUNNY THINGS HAPPEN IN BUNGONIA

Just recently a local (who drives a hatchback) tried something new. They tried backing out of the garage with the hatch open. Bang — One door conversion. Guess they'll shut it next time!

CWA

Contact: Ruth Dole 48 7179

The Annual General Meeting was held recently. The election was as follows:

President Mrs Shirley Smith
Vice Presidents Mrs Hamblion, Mrs Travers
Secretary Mrs Ruth Dole
Treasurer Mrs Colleen Cooper
Handicraft Mrs Pat Young
Land Cookery Mrs Madge Hamblion
International Mrs Shirley Smith
Publicity Mrs Colleen Cooper
Councillor Mrs Colleen Cooper

The raffle was won by Mrs Ruth Travers

NEXT MEETING: Saturday 4th December at 1.30 pm. An invitation is extended to all ladies in the district to share our Christmas Party with us on this day after the Meeting. If you would like to come please contact Ruth Dole prior to the day

INVERARY CREEK LANDCARE GROUP

President: K.M.Cooper

The AGM was held on 1st Nov. The following officers were elected for 1994:

President K. Cooper Secretary P.Broadhead
Treasurer B.Cooper Vice President J.Leachbarrow

The meeting decided that in future meetings would be held on Sundays in conjunction with short field days with guest speakers. Meetings to be held in 1994 are as follows: February 6th, May 1st, August 6th and Nov 6th.

The format will be a short 2-3 hour field day with demonstrations on various topics such as nursery work, seed collecting, pine planting and pruning, species trials, windbreak designs etc. followed by a BBQ lunch and meeting.

If no funds are available for these meetings a small charge will be made (\$5 per person or \$10 per family) to cover costs where necessary.

Most importantly, these days are open to ALL members of the public interested in Landcare. Membership is open to all. The only restriction is the geographical boundary limits where demonstration work can be done.

A membership fee has been set at \$2.00 per year.

SEED COLLECTION CAN CUT COSTS:

Seed collected locally when trees are to be planted can cut costs and lead to better results. The secret to good germination and growth rates is to use high grade seed and if farmers collect their own seed, they can select strong parent trees well suited to local conditions.

Now is the time of year for collection for many local species. It does not just involve going out and shaking the tree. A reasonable understanding of the life cycle of the species will ensure better results. Seed collection is best carried out to a plan which includes an understanding of seed development and release, species selection and identification.

Species which release seed quickly over a short period include acacias, cassia and pea flowering plants. Collect pods which are dry and turning brown to black as seed scatters quickly once the pods are split. Species such as Eucalypts retain seed for a longer period. The capsules (gum nuts) can be collected when the valves or slits on the front become obvious. Dry the capsules on a sheet of plastic or in calico bags and the seed will be released over a period of a few weeks. Store in a dry airtight container with a few naphthalene flakes to control insect attack. Good viable seed can be stored for many years, so collect the seed when it is available, for some species flower quite irregularly.

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Contact: Moira McGinity 48 4266
Cherie Jenkins 484241

NEXT MEETING: Dec 13th at 7.30pm This will be followed with drinks and nibbles. B.Y.O. At the last meeting it was decided to hold a BUNGONIA FAIR in 1994. The meeting decided that it was good for the district and that next time more people would be confident at entering exhibits. It was decided to modify and modernise the programme. The date will be set at the February Progress Meeting. If you are interested in supporting the Fair, please come to that meeting and air your views.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS PARTY.

DEC 11th 6 p.m. onwards. B.Y.O. everything. The BBQ will be lit. Bring your racquets if you would like to play tennis. Use of the courts has been donated by the tennis club. Our thanks go to them.

There will be a special appearance by SANTA at 7pm. *Mums and Dads, could you please ring Cherie on 48.4241 so she can give you information about Santa.*

If it is wet the Party will be held in the Hall.

HALL HIRE: Contact Moira McGinity on 484266

Membership: \$2.00 per year. For anyone who would like to be a financial member, even if they are unable to participate in Meetings, please send your Membership Fee to

Cherie Jenkins
"Oakview"
RMB 161 Tarago Rd.,
Bungonia.

BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

FIRE CAPTAIN: Arthur Davey 48 4242

SECRETARY: Bob Brooks 48 4216

Membership fees were due on July 1 for 1993/94 so if you haven't paid yet, please do.

\$30 / family

\$10 / single

Please send your cheque and details of your family, your location and description of your property to

Cherie Jenkins at
"Oakview"
Tarago Rd.,
Bungonia.

The overalls and boots ordered earlier in the year will be available very soon. If you have not yet paid, please send the money to Vince immediately. I will contact those who ordered equipment when it is available.

**** FARM SAFETY DAY ****

The NSW Dept of Agriculture will run a Farm Safety Day at Bungonia. It will be a morning or afternoon session held on Monday 14th March, for approximately 3 hours. It will be held on a local farm with speakers from Ambulance, Poisons, Veterinary, Police etc. Each will give a short talk with questions from the floor afterwards.

If you are interested in attending please call Cherie and let her know.

SYDNEY TO CANBERRA CORRIDOR

The NSW Dept. of Planning is seeking your views about the issues associated with the Planning, development and management of the corridor. There will be a Public Meeting at:

Queanbeyan Council Chambers: Mon 29th Nov. 5.30 p.m.

Goulburn Council Chambers: Wed 1st Dec. 5.30 p.m.

Moss Vale Community Theatre: Wed 8th Dec. 5.30 p.m.

You are invited to any of these meetings.

"Everyone will have a chance to comment on issues concerning their local area...."

Written submissions are also welcome.

Contact Stuart Moseley or Debbie Van der Zee at the Dept. of Planning, Queanbeyan.

Tel (06) 297 6911

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WE ARE KILLING OUR BIRDS WITH LOVE

● Why is it not wise to feed our native birds?



Lorikeets and Honeyeaters: These birds mainly feed on nectar from flowers. This diet is quite complex and is supplemented with protein from insects and pollen. The digestion of these birds is not designed to cope with seed, bread or fibre, **except in very small quantities.**

Feeding artificial honey mixes to these birds fills them so that they do not seek out the natural nectar from flowers. **They become undernourished and more susceptible to disease.** - Vitamin deficiency can cause foot and leg paralysis and poor feather growth.

In Summer these sweet mixtures deteriorate very quickly and become an ideal source for spreading bacterial infections among the birds. Artificially fed birds are sometimes not following natural instincts to search for blossoms in Winter and therefore staying in the colder climate. Winter babies have great difficulty in surviving.

Main thing to remember is - These birds will become dependent on you and unfortunately they also become used to your cats and dogs too. So apart from you not being able to supply their total balanced nutrients, you are also leaving them open to attack from the most common predators.

By all means, provide a safe water source and plenty of bushy flowering native trees, and just sit back and enjoy our feathered friends in their own independent state.

- (Most of the above is from NSW WIRES NEWSLETTER Vol.3, No.3 - Summer '92.) Till next time, may your Christmas and New Year be happy and healthy, and may your hearts be at peace. - LORRAINE B.

Landcare Personal Action Guide

In the home

- be careful what you put down the sink
- conserve water in the kitchen, laundry and bathroom and when washing the car
- conserve energy — use energy efficient appliances and do not leave lights on
- reduce your rubbish and buy recyclable products

In your backyard

- use garden chemicals wisely
- plan or replan your garden to promote minimum maintenance and to reduce soil loss
- plant suitable native shrubs and trees to attract pest-eating birds
- cover bare soil with ground covers
- use mulch to protect your plants and soil
- avoid overwatering your plants and water in the evenings
- do not wash away leaves and soil matter that accumulates along your paths — return it to the garden or compost it
- a compost heap is the simplest, cheapest, and easiest way of growing your own soil, by recycling grass clippings, leaves, prunings and kitchen scraps
- make your own vegetable patch and try out organic and companion gardening



In the wider community

- use recreational vehicles responsibly — stick to the tracks
- help out with tree planting and maintenance in rural areas contact Australian Trust for Conservation Volunteers (ATCV) and Greening Australia

In your local area

- discuss your local landcare issues at school, amongst friends, and with your local service and community groups, and form a landcare group to tackle those issues
- help your local group or council to clean up rubbish and weeds
- find out what catchment you live in, what condition it is in, and what you can do to help improve it
- do not dump lawn clippings and garden refuse in the bush — they suffocate the bush and encourage weeds, which degrade native bushland
- take a bag with you to collect rubbish when you are out walking on the beach, in the bush, or down the street
- get your school involved in caring for and monitoring the local area (eg, through Streamwatch, Salt Action)