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## GARDENING IN FEBRUARY

This is the month that bulbs start appearing in nurseries. Bulbs can be planted in mass, in groups, pots or rockeries. Plan now for your bulb garden planting.

Fruit trees should be watched for fruit fly especially around apples, pears and quinces. Control these with Rogor or Lebaycid spray when necessary.

Rose pruning can be done to reduce the height of the new wood and this will ensure a crop of new well developed roses in the autumn. They should also have some complete rose fertiliser.

In the vegetable garden, with autumn approaching, now is the time to start planning for a continuous supply of vegetables during the winter. It is very important to start planting cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli and brussel sprouts. This enables them to become well established before the cold weather. They need a soil containing plenty of compost and well-rotted animal manure, also a side dressing of lime before planting. Carrots, parsnips, celery, kohirabi, lettuce, parsley, radish, and turnips can also be planted.

Mildew on marrow, cucumbers, squash and zucchini can be controlled by spraying with Zineb or Benlate.

Courtesy Michael Bligh

## DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

- February 2: Landcare Field Day  
4: Schools resume  
9: Sir Charles Kingsford Smith born 9.2.1897  
10: Progress Meeting  
11: Pancake Day  
12: Ash Wednesday, Community bus  
13: CWA 10am  
14: St.Valentine's Day, Bushfire meeting  
15: Working Bee Cemetery  
19: 6pm deadline for contributions to "Bungonia Times"  
20: "Bungonia Times" meeting  
26: Community bus
- March 2: Clean up Australia Day  
29: Market Day

*Meeting 10-12pm*

What a strange summer! The gums have flowered for the first time in at least five years, wattle has flowered everywhere, there was one chrysanthemum on one of my bushes, and there was a fox on our front veranda at 8am one day!

# BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

Fire Captain: Charlie Klein 444254  
Secretary: Wendy Hensford 445289

Next Activity: Mountain Ash and Mootwingee fire trail inspection.  
Contact R. Brooks on 444216.

Membership fees: \$30 family or \$10 single, payable as from July 1st, 1996. Please post your cheque to:

Bungonia Volunteer Bushfire Brigade  
P.O. Box 477  
GOULBURN. NSW. 2580

FROM THE END OF SEPTEMBER UNTIL THE END OF MARCH, ALL BURNING-OFF REQUIRES A PERMIT. PLEASE RING CHARLIE KLEIN ON 444254.

## CAPTAIN'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER

Bungonia Bushfire Brigade was called out to 3 fires in December, 1 of which proved to be a false alarm.

3/12/96 the Brigade was called out to a shed fire at the Greek Orthodox Monastery on the Marulan Road. In all, 3 Bungonia and 2 Marulan tankers attended. There was a quick response from all units but the shed was beyond salvaging when reported.

16/12/96 Bungonia 3, with 6 crew members, was called out to a fire in the Windellama area. Unfortunately the truck broke down because of fuel problems just before it reached the fireground. The Shire Council mechanic was called in, and the truck was repaired enough to take it in to the shire depot, where a replacement kit was put in the mechanical fuel pump and carburettor, and the left hand fuel tank was cleaned out. No air leaks could be located in the fuel line. Hopefully the problem is fixed.

23/12/96 A fire was reported in Russell Cooper's subdivision area to the west of Oak Valley. 1 Marulan and 3 Bungonia tankers responded. After searching the area thoroughly it was decided that it was a false alarm and we returned to Base. The caller was contacted and they said there was no sign of fire in the area now.

Many thanks to all the Brigade members who assisted with the call outs.

PLEASE NOTE THAT BUNGONIA 4/1, BASED AT VINCE FROST'S PLACE, IS OUT OF ACTION UNTIL R.T.A. APPROVAL IS GRANTED.

Please take great care when welding, grinding, mowing, slashing or driving a vehicle in the dry grass as the February/March period can be the worst time for bushfires in this area. At Big Hill a fire started recently when a welder was being used near a house. (Big fires resulted from mowing at Cootamundra about 10 years ago. Ed.) It's the stones you hit that cause the sparks.

Charlie Klein, Fire Captain.

## BUSHFIRE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE ROSTER

1/2/97	D.Causebrook	44.4215
	N.Wilson	41.1717
	R.Adamson	44.4258
	C.Pratten	44.4366

08/2/97 Combined with training

22/2/97	D.Thompson	44.4360
	P.White	44.4220
	A.Travers	44.4290
	G.Welch	015 297987

08/3/97 Combined with training

**\*\*REMEMBER!** Full details of RAdio Network Call Signs, and Maintenance Roster names and duties were given in the "Bungonia Times" of November 1996.

# BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

CONTACT: Cherie Jenkins 44.4241

HALL HIRE: Moira McGinity 44.4266

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 10, 7.30pm.

MARKET DAY: Saturday, March 29. Stall bookings Pauline Dickson 44.4202

We always need items for the TRASH & TREASURE stall, so please put unwanted items aside during the next few weeks, and bring them to the Hall on Market Day for our stall.

PROGRESS RAFFLE: The Progress Association are raffling a One Hour Consultation by Garden Designer, Michael Bligh. Tickets are on sale from Cherie Jenkins 44.4241, Moira McGinity 44.4266, Pauline Dickson 44.4202, Margaret Symonds 44.4282, Ray Dole 44.7179 Tickets are \$1.00 each.

CEMETERY: If you are interested in joining a Working Bee at the Cemetery on Saturday, 15th February, please contact Moira McGinity 44.4266.

THE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS PARTY was a great success.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA will be on Sunday, March 2. Bags will be available outside the Hall. The filled bags are to be returned to the Hall for collection. Bottles can be left at the bottle dump. The Bungonia-Marulan and Bungonia-Windellama roads are good sources of rubbish so let's all get out on Sunday, March 2 and collect it.

REMEMBER, SLIP, SLOP, SLAP, AND WEAR STOUT SHOES AND GLOVES.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

CWA and PROGRESS RAFFLE: First Prize: R. Matthew  
Second Prize: A. Jacobson (Beecroft)  
Third Prize: J. Gilman (Bungonia Heights)

BUSHFIRE BRIGADE RAFFLE: First Prize: Sarah Purdue (Rooty Hill)  
Second Prize: Charlie Klein (Bungonia)  
Third Prize: Neil Wilson (Bungonia)



# COUNTRY WOMENS' ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY Ruth Dole 44.7179

PUBLICITY Pat Young 44.7178

The next meeting is February 13th at 10am at the CWA Rooms.

February Mowing and Raffle Ruth Dole.

A very nice Christmas Lunch was had by all. A very big welcome back to Beryl who rejoined us at our last AGM. Our Christmas Hamper winner was K.Short of Bowral with green ticket A 41.

Anyone wishing to join us at our next meeting, or just join us for a cuppa, will be most welcome.

Clean Up



Australia!



Sunday

March 2

# COOKERY CORNER

## ZUCCHINI WITH TOMATOES (First published in February issue, 1994)

500g zucchini  
4 medium tomatoes  
1 clove garlic finely chopped  
1 tblspn freshly chopped herbs (parsley and basil)

2 tblspns cooking oil  
1 tblspn butter  
salt to taste  
freshly ground black pepper

Cut zucchini into 5mm slices. Melt butter and oil in heavy frying pan. Add zucchini and garlic and cook gently, stirring occasionally until almost tender. Peel tomatoes and chop roughly. Add to pan and cook slowly until tomatoes are soft but not mushy. Season. Add chopped herbs and serve immediately.

## STUFFED ZUCCHINI BAKE

Cut zucchini lengthwise after removing "untidy" bits each end. Scoop out soft centres and reserve. Combine cooked mince, chopped tomato, chopped onion, garlic, a little sugar, and soft centre material from zucchini. Place spoonfuls of this mixture onto scooped out zucchini halves and bake until zucchini is soft. Enjoy!

## PANCAKES

For variety, add 1/2 cup strawberries or sliced bananas to the batter.

\* 2 cups biscuit mix, 2 large eggs lightly beaten, 1 cup water or milk.

Place the biscuit mix in a large bowl and stir in the eggs and milk till just blended (slightly lumpy). Heat a well-oiled large frypan or griddle iron over moderate heat until hot but not smoking. Spoon about 1/4 cup batter per pancake into pan and cook until bubbles form, about 2 mins. Turn pancakes and cook for further 2 mins. Serve at once with butter and honey or maple syrup, or ice cream and blue berries. (Makes 10-12 pancakes.)

## PUFFED PANCAKES

2 large eggs, 1/2 cup sifted plain flour, 1/2 cup milk, 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 60g butter melted, 1 tblspn icing sugar, 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon.

Preheat oven to 210°C, lightly beat eggs, add flour, milk, nutmeg and salt until just blended. Cover bottom of 30cm x 23cm x 5cm baking dish with melted butter, then pour in the batter. Place in centre of oven and bake till puffed and golden brown, about 20mins. Sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon mix just before serving. Cut into desired pieces and serve with honey or maple syrup.

## \* BISCUIT MIX

6 cups plain flour (or 3 cups plain and 3 cups wholemeal), 3 1/2 tblspns baking pdr, 1 cup instant nonfat dry milk pdr, 1 tblspn salt, 1 cup solid vegetable shortening.

Combine dry items, cut in shortening with pastry blender until mixture looks like coarse crumbs. Will keep up to 6 weeks in closed container at room temperature.

To make biscuits, use 2 cups mix (above), 1/2 cup water or milk, oven 230°C, mix and knead, roll out to 1cm thickness and cut, bake on ungreased tray 10-12 mins or until golden. Serve hot.

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The ancient custom was to use up all the fat in the house on Pancake Day (Shrove Tuesday - Mardi (Tuesday) Gras (Fat) ), before beginning the Lenten Abstinence the next day (Ash Wednesday).

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## FROM 'READER'S DIGEST BOOK OF FACTS':

GORGING BEFORE FASTING - A 1000 egg omelette is eaten on the Friday before Lent at Ponti in Italy. This feast is one of many similar traditions which are observed in Christian countries before Lent, a period of abstinence lasting for 4 days (excluding Sundays) to commemorate Christ's time in the wilderness.

Lent formally begins on Ash Wednesday. Since Christians were traditionally forbidden meat and dairy produce during Lent, they used up these foods beforehand. Eggs and butter are often eaten on Shrove Tuesday, popularly called Pancake Day in Britain, and on Mardi Gras, meaning "Fat Tuesday" in France. In Germany the ritual is called "Fastnacht" or "Eve of the Fast". Italy and many other Catholic countries call this feast a Carnival, a word deriving from the Latin *carnem levare* meaning "to remove the meat".

In such countries the carnival has developed into a boisterous festival, marked by noisy parades, dancing, fireworks, masquerades and feasting, that sometimes lasts up to a fortnight. The most spectacular carnivals are at Rio de Janeiro in Brazil and at New Orleans in the U.S.A.

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# COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

February 11 Byron Broadhead (a teenager!)  
16 Sharon Thompson  
17 Ryan Davis (9)  
28 Charles Farrugia

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COMMUNITY BUS : This runs every second Wednesday.

Next bus dates: February 12 and 26.

For further information please contact Ruth Travers 44.4290

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## FAMILY TREE RESEARCH REQUEST

Ron and Pam Reynolds, Tel.(048) 444 239, are seeking information concerning Ron's great grandmother, ALICE WOODWARD, born at Bungonia July 9, 1871, and whose mother had the maiden name of COOPER.

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CONGRATULATIONS to all involved with the erection of the Bungonia Fire Shed. It is a good-looking and functional building, built in a very short time, and a great asset to the Brigade and the area.

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Heath Dennelly had a wonderful time in America and will tell us about it in a later issue.

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WANTED TO BUY Quiet, well-behaved, well-mannered mare or gelding to suit lady, suitable for trail riding. Tel.(048)44.4282.

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Remember when the kind Bungonites made crochet and knitted rugs for the Palliative Care folk at St.John of God Hospital? Now they have a need for bedsocks for adults - good, warm, thick ones to which the Carers will sew non-slip soles. Please make them with the small holes around the ankles and insert ties in these holes.

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## TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL TO END OF 1996

NOVEMBER	Average maximum temperature	23°C
	Average minimum temperature	9.5°C
	Rainfall	82.5 mm
DECEMBER	Average maximum temperature	28°C
	Average minimum temperature	13°C
	Rainfall	67.5 mm

Courtesy David Thompson

## TOTAL RAINFALLS FOR 1996:

NOVEMBER	644.5mm
DECEMBER	712 mm (total rainfall for 1996 - Ed.

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## FROM "INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPOEDIA"

SHROVE TUESDAY - the day before Ash Wednesday. The name comes from the "shriving", the confession and absolution of the faithful on this day.

ASH WEDNESDAY - day of solemn penitence and fasting which marks the beginning of Lent. The name derives from the burning of the palms of the previous Palm Sunday, blessing the ashes, and imposing them on the penitent's forehead, with the words "Remember, O man, that dust thou art and unto dust shall thou return." Ashes are the ancient symbol of deep penitence and mourning.

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# In Council

## with Inda Evans

### Welcome to the New year!

I hope 1997 is productive and profitable for you and you achieve all you set to do.

It will be a busy one for me and, with your support, I hope we will be able to see some good progress this year.

### Council Meetings

Meeting dates for 1997 are

30 January  
27 February  
27 March  
24 April  
22 May  
26 June  
24 July  
28 August  
25 September  
23 October  
27 November  
17 December

Meetings start at 9am, generally with a short meeting of Committee of the Whole and are then open to the public.

You are welcome to attend. Come along and see how your Council operates and makes decisions about activities in the Shire.

### Road Names

Information has now been sent out to all Progress Associations and Bush Fire Brigades.

Our area has quite a lot of unnamed roads so there will be a lot of thinking to do to get them all named.

We will be holding a focus meeting at the Community Hall in March (date to be advised in next

month's Times) and I urge you to be there with your suggestions.

You can also submit your ideas in writing - send them to me at PO Box 38 Marulan.

Names should preferably have some historical significance to the area.

### 1997/98 Budget

Now is the time to think about what work should be included in the 1997/98 budget. I would appreciate your input to this process so that Bungonia's needs are properly represented.

Please think about what needs to be done and let me know before the February Council meeting.

### Bed & Breakfast

A draft development control plan for bed & breakfast establishments has been prepared and I expect this to be on exhibition for public comment shortly. If you are interested in this issue, please contact me for a copy of the plan or for more information.

### Airport

Goulburn City Council is still actively pursuing their plan for Sydney's second airport to go in our Shire even though the Federal Government has categorically stated this is not an option.

The residents and Councils likely to be affected by an airport at Badgerys Creek or Holsworthy are coming out in support of Goulburn's proposals because that would neatly solve all their problems.

If you feel strongly about the airport issue, please take an active interest by writing you your local Federal Member of Parliament.

### Country Fair

The Marulan Country Fair Committee is calling for stallholders now.

The Fair will be promoting our area, including Bungonia and the State Recreation Area, to tourists and thousands of visitors are expected.

If you are involved in arts/crafts activities or making home-made jams and chutneys etc, book your stall now.

Lots of other activities are also planned. If you would like more information or can help in organising the event, please give me a call.

### Bush Fire Shed

It's good to the new Bush Fire Shed up at last.

I'm glad I was able to be involved in getting it completed at a lower than anticipated cost and am sure it will be an excellent asset to the village.

The Brigade welcomes new members and you active participation is a great way to do something for your community.

### Contact your Councillor

If you have any concerns or would like to raise any specific issues, I would be happy to hear from you.

I can best be contacted by phone after 6.00pm weekdays or on weekends on 411 900 or 019 998 235. My fax number is 411 901.

You can also write to me at PO Box 38 Marulan 2579.

Cr Inda Evans