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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

March 1999

8 Progress Meeting 7.30 pm
10 Community Bus
11 CWA Meeting 10 am
12 Fire Brigade Meeting 7.30 pm
24 Community Bus
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ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER

Our Advertising Charges:

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| For Sale/Wanted | \$2.00 | Half Page Advert | \$10.00 |
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IMPORTANT NOTICE: The Bungonia Times Mail Box has moved to outside the Progress Hall. This is a locked box, so your articles and money will be safe.

Bungonia Times Deadline : 12 noon on Wednesday 24th March, 1999.

All correspondence and payments can be left in the locked Progress Letterbox outside the Progress Hall in Bungonia. Please ensure that all contributions are received by the above time and date. Late items by enquiry only.

If you would like to have The Bungonia Times delivered to a PO Box or to ensure that it is delivered to a mail box, please sent your mailing details to Pauline Dickson, 'Netherfield', Lumley Road, Bungonia 2580 with a cheque for \$11.00 to cover the cost of postage for a year. Please make your cheques payable to "The Bungonia Times".

RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURE

January Rainfall: 72 ½ mm

Temperature: Average minimum 17 and average maximum 30.1

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CHURCH NEWS

CHRIST CHURCH – BUNGONIA

Enquiries: Peter Dannelly 4844 4324
Dennis Jenkins 4844 4241

Minister: Rev Nick Hearnshaw 4821 4976

Keyboard: Judith Dannelly Flute: Bianca Dannelly

Saxophone: Heath Dannelly Guitar: Heath Dannelly

Percussion: The Children

Next Communion Service Sunday, 14th March, 1999

Communion is held every 2nd Sunday, Children's Service is held the 1st Sunday of the month.

Services are held every Sunday at 5 pm, and cater for all denominations. Come along and join in the singing and stay for a cuppa afterwards.

Group Study Sessions

Tuesday nights at 7.30 pm in the village at Dawn & John Edwards home. Come along and enjoy a night with a difference.

Cleaning and Flower Roster

The Dannelly Family

ST. PATRICKS - MARULAN

Mass is celebrated at 4 pm every Sunday

Priest: Father Kevin Brannelly 4821 1022

On Sunday 6th February Megan Huevels, Andriana Cachi, Margaret Rippon and Betty Marshal were commissioned as catechists and prayers offered for their work as teachers during 1999.

Lent began on 17th February, Ash Wednesday, and ashes were distributed at St. Patricks Lent is a time when all Christians reflect upon the time that Jesus spent in meditation and fasting in the desert (a kind of retreat). During Lent an ecumenical group meets every Tuesday, 10.30 am. at St. Patricks to study and discuss a theme applicable to Lent and renewal of faith. If you would like to join the group or you want further information ring Betty Marshall 4884 1515

ST. STEPHEN'S UNITING CHURCH – MARULAN

Enquiries: Maureen Eddy 4841 1648

Services are held every 2nd Sunday at 9 am.

Ladies Fellowship every 3rd Monday at 1 pm – Contact Jill Farnsworth 4841 1849

Kids Club every Friday afternoon at 3.30 pm – Contact Dorothy Weeks 4841 1650

CHURCH NEWS Continued

ALL SAINTS' - MARULAN

Services are held every 1st Sunday at 9 am

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S - WINDELLAMA

Enquiries: The Rev Kevin Stone 4821 3631

Communion Services are held every 4th Sunday at 11.30 am.

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

President: Cherie Jenkins 4844 4241 Secretary: Moira McGinity 4844 4266
Treasurer: Narelle Walters 4844 7007 Hall Hire: Moira McGinity 4844 4266

Next Meeting: Monday 8th March, 1999 at 7.30 pm at the hall.

***** Louise Gell, Landscape Architect will be attending this meeting. She will be talking to us with some ideas for the beautification of the village – Please come along.

RECIPE BOOK. Remember to copy out your family recipes and send them to us for inclusion in the Bungonia Recipe Book which we will publish later this year.

BEAUTIFICATION OF THE VILLAGE: The Park Trustees and a group of local residents will meet Louise Gell on 18th. February to walk around the village. Louise has already spent some time familiarizing herself with the area and is very enthusiastic about the possibilities. We will keep you informed of developments.

TENNIS COURT: See the Park notes for plans to reform the Tennis Club or at least to start playing tennis again.

VILLAGE HALL: We have recently purchased 19 second hand stackable chairs and are gradually replacing the school chairs.

The Association has also purchased 6 folding tables (factory seconds) These replace the "Army" tables which are now for sale . See "For Sale" if you want a workshop table.

MARKET DAY: Your support of our Market Days has enabled us to upgrade the kitchen and the Hall furniture. We still have a long way to go so remember the next Market is on Easter Saturday, 3rd. April. Besides its good fun , with great bargains and Cherie, Dennis and helpers cooking up a storm in the kitchen.

Contact for stalls Ray Dole 4844 7179

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 7th March.: There will be bags available outside the Hall and the full bags can be left there when you have finished. There is plenty of rubbish lying about so please make an effort to be part of this national clean up.

BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE RURAL BRIGADE

Emergency Numbers: 4821 1914,

Andy Smith: 4821 5009 or Bungonia Base

NEXT MEETING: Friday 12th March, 1999 7.30 pm at the fire shed.

Contacts: President – Pat Evans 4841 1900 Secretary – Cherie Jenkins 4844 4241
Captain – Charlie Klein 4844 4254

REMEMBER You still need a permit to burn off until the end of March – the fire season is not over yet! March has been recorded as the worst month, so don't let your guard down!!!

MULWAREE SHIRE COURSES FOR 1999

INTRODUCTION TO

TRAINING TECHNIQUES- for those wanting to be an accredited bushfire instructor, be run in Feb or Mar

ADVANCED FIREFIGHTER- the next level after Basic training, for those who want a bit more knowledge and practical exercises.
Part 1 on April 16-18 Part 2 on May 28-30

CREW LEADER-ICS- for those trained as crew leaders before 1996 and needing to up update their knowledge of the ICS system.
April 9-11

If you are interested in any of these training opportunities, or want information on training, contact your training officer on 4844 4216.

A 1st Aid course will also be run either in March or April, any interested persons can contact the Secretary, Cherie Jenkins to list their names. It will be run over 2 days (Saturday & Sunday) in the hall. The cost will be \$90 and is work cover approved.

The brigade will be having a stall on Market Day (3rd April) to raise money to maintain and upgrade equipment. Anyone who can help by donating goods to be sold on the stall can ring Ray Dole on 4844 7179.

Also anyone who could help on the day with an hour or two to help man the stall, it would be appreciated greatly. Remember, it's a volunteer service – so we all get equal pay!

GARDENING IN MARCH

March can be one of the loveliest months of the year. The days are pleasant, and nights cooler and the autumn tones are starting to appear.

This is most likely to be your last chance to plant your cauliflowers, cabbage, brussel sprouts or broccoli. Don't forget to use some liquid fertilisers to get these plants started. Other plants to be planted now are lettuce, turnips, radish and white onions.

Flowers: seedlings that can be planted are alyssum, pansy, viola, stocks, poppy, calendula, carnations, dianthus, polyanthus, larkspur, wallflower, sweet William snapdragon, statice, verbena and for an attractive border in the spring, Virginian stock directly into the garden. This dainty spring annual has small flowers in white, cream, soft pink and lavender and when the buds start to appear in early spring, give them a feel of liquid fertiliser. They also look attractive in tubs and pots.

This month also, insects such as aphids and various caterpillars can appear on roses. Spray them with Malathion or Rogor 40 and Lebaycide. Black aphids on chrysanthemums can be controlled by spraying them with malathion. Make sure you don't use Rogor or Lebaycide as these systemic chemicals can burn the new plants.

March is also a good time to fertilise your lawns with a complete lawn fertiliser to brighten them up as well as strengthen the lawn through winter. This helps to keep it looking good through winter too.

If you like propagating, this is the month to take cuttings of geraniums, fuschia and hydrangeas., Put the cuttings in a terra cotta pot 10cm across, this will take approximately 10 to 12 cuttings and making sure they are planted around the edge as they get more warmth. Using a mixture of 1 part coarse sand and 2 parts peatmoss, have at least 2 eyes in the mixture and 2-3 eyes out, making sure the mixture does not dry out.

BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH

March

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| 1 | Leah Corby | 15 | Amanda Daly |
| 4 | Lorraine Brooks | 18 | Thomas Shinfield |
| 8 | Ruth Dole | 25 | Allan Moran |
| 9 | Rene Colefax (Cherie's Mum) | 27 | Diana Moran |
| 14 | Lauren Shinfield | 28 | Arthur Davey |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: *Ray & Ruth Dole – 28th March (46th - congratulations)*

Birthstone: Bloodstone (meaning courage)

Flower: Jonquil

TENNIS CLUB

The Bungonia Trust will be holding a public meeting on March 19th at 7.30 pm in the hall. Any interested parties, please come along.

Any enquiries can be made through Karen Fabri on 4844 4382

PARK TRUST

President: Frank McGinity: 4844 4266 Secretary: Karen Fabri: 4844 4382
Treasurer: Diana Moran 4844 4234

Next meeting Friday 5th. March , 7.30 pm at the Village Hall .

Any matters relating to the Park should be referred to a member of the Committee. The government appoints trustees to deal with everything concerning the park; and anything which is referred by anyone to the Department of Land and Water Conservation, the Minister, or the local member will be automatically handed over to the trustees to deal with.

Beautification Project: The Trustees are very enthusiastic about the Beautification Project ,and on a familiarization walk around the Park ,we could see great potential. Unfortunately some areas are overgrown by exotics, hawthorns, willows, blackberries and broom but in many areas the wattles, eucalyptus and casuarinas are holding their own and the creek still has tadpoles, small fish, yabbies and water animals in it.

One area that needs lots of work is Woodward Creek. There is an accumulation of rubbish deposited over the years. Two cars, tanks, tyres, domestic rubbish and garden refuse litter to banks. We used to think it was harmless to throw rubbish in the gutter, now we know better.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

President: Shirley Smith 4821 5606 Secretary: Ruth Dole 4844 7179
Treasurer: Colleen Cooper 4821 1856 Publicity: Pat Young 4844 7178

The next meeting will be Thursday 11th March, 1999 at 10 am in the CWA rooms.

QUILTING CLASSES

Every Monday at 9 am to 12 midday at the Bungonia Village Hall. If you would like to learn the art of patchwork and quilting, contact Pauline Dickson on 4844 4202 or Margaret Coates on 4844 4343.

Bring along your sewing machine and materials and join your neighbours for a sociable and productive morning.

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

The Community Bus: The bus runs between Bungonia and Goulburn every second Wednesday, for a small cost. For further information, please contact Ruth Travers on 4844 4290. The next bus dates are 10th and 24th March, 1999.

For Sale:

2 tables (91cm x 243cm) solid, laminated top, ex-army dining tables, may need some tightening. \$60 each or \$50 if you buy before 30th March. Phone 4844 4266

Khaki Campbell ducks, 3 months old, \$6.00 each Phone 4844 7129

Bantam Roosters, 1 silver speckle, 1 red roan, young birds, Phone 4844 7129

Bird Aviary and flight, 5' high x 9' wide x 2' deep, \$40.00 Phone 4844 7129

Set of 4 Bird cages 4' x 4' x 2' wide \$40.00 Phone 4844 7129

Free:

To good home, 5 lovely kittens Phone 4829 8272

Found:

One watch near Argyle Mall, Goulburn on 19th February, Phone 4844 7179

Positions Vacant:

Reevesdale Homestead – home help for general housekeeping duties 3 to 4 days per month. References required. Please ring Kerrie Lodge for an appointment on 4844 4268 at weekends

Positions Vacant:

Reevesdale Homestead – gardener also required each Saturday or Sunday for large homestead gardens. Please ring Stuart Lodge on 4844 4268 on Saturday evenings.

Square Dance: at Windellama hall Sat 13th March, great music and square dance caller. Bring the children too for a fun night. \$12 includes BBQ dinner – 6.30 pm children under 12 years free, \$8.00 dance only. Booking essential for dinner. Phone Di 4844 5127, Thora 4844 5152 or Carol 4844 5168.

Marulan Country Fair: Sunday 7th March, at Marulan Cricket Ground

In Council with Inda Evans

Advertising Signs

At the January meeting, Council resolved to review its policy for advertising signage.

This now gives you an opportunity to comment on what should be in the new policy.

Just briefly, the current policy requires a development application to Council and limits approvals for advertising signs to the property and activity taking place there. Should this be changed and, if so, how?

We don't want a whole lot of different signs every few metres, especially along highways and main roads but we do need a policy that will allow local business to get business.

One suggestion is that Council nominate designated locations on road sides and "sell" advertising space there at a cost-recovery price.

The policy will be on the agenda for the March meeting. Get your comments in before then so they can be taken into consideration at that stage. You can give me a call or make a written submission to Council. Either way, your ideas will be very welcome.

Naturally, after a new policy is drafted it will go on public exhibition for further comment.

Protecting Water Supply

The State Government has introduced a new Act to regulate activity within the Sydney Water Catchment, to protect Sydney's drinking water, and State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) No 58 to go with it.

These documents severely limit the development that can take place within the Wollondilly and Shoalhaven River catchments and give the new Water Authority very wide ranging powers.

Essentially, whatever you do on your property will have to have a neutral or beneficial effect on the water going into rivers and creeks. So, you may not be allowed to build a dam as it will stop water reaching a waterway!

Every drop of rain is precious out here, yet rainwater is allowed to run freely down every drain in Sydney.

We'll be watching this one very carefully. Lobbying to the State Opposition has resulted in their promise to repeal and review this Act if they are elected to Government this month.

Farm Forestry

Council has adopted guidelines on Farm Forestry which include both farm woodlots and larger plantings of forests for harvesting and will assist you to prepare a development application.

If you are interested, please contact Council for a copy of the guidelines.

Bungonia Park

A letter of complaint was received from a Bungonia resident that, unlike other villages in the Shire, Bungonia had "no park, no equipment and no facilities".

By way of public explanation, Bungonia's park is owned by the Crown and operated by a Trust made up of members of the local community and appointed by the Department of Land and Water Conservation.

Council is unable to provide improvements such as playground equipment and toilets on land it does not own.

It is up to this Trust to take action on behalf of the village needs. This could include making application to the Department of Land and Water Conservation for a grant for

facilities or requesting Council to consider buying the land from the Government.

I also understand that the Trust is actively involved in the current planning for beautification of the village.

In every area, whether it is a Council owned park or one such as Bungonia's, its success is very much dependent on community support and action to help make it a place that locals, kids and tourists alike can fully enjoy.

Regional Business Plan

Following a workshop held last year, and attended by business as well as Council representatives, Mulwaree and Goulburn Councils have adopted a business marketing plan for the region.

The workshop (and plan) cover growth areas such as the new Goulburn racetrack, Wakefield Park, tourism, value adding to existing industry and encouraging new industry.

But, no plan is effective unless it is followed by action and, to this end, we have asked for a reporting process on the proposed action and timetables.

Let's hope the document does not end up in the bottom drawer of a filing cabinet somewhere.

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 after 6.00pm weekdays or on weekends on 4841 1900 or 019 998 235. My fax number is 4841 1901.

You can also write to me at PO Box 38 Marulan 2579 or send an e-mail to evans@goulburn.net.au

Cr Inda Evans

' INVERARY CREEK '



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BUNGONIA 2580

CARBON CREDIT TRADING UPDATE. CANBERRA SEMINAR.

Like many other prospective tree growers and ones with already established plantations I left a little more informed on the future of Carbon Trading, but realised it as a very complex issue. However the fact carbon trading will not be put into practice for several years, there are clear messages for all growers now.

Anyone looking for a quick dollar will no doubt be disappointed. While the amount of carbon a growing forest can sequester varies with rainfall, soil and species it is quite clear that even quick growing species would not be worth while growing for carbon alone. However when you consider carbon trading could give a regular cash stream and add this to the value of the final forest product the rate of return increases to 12-13%.

One problem with attracting investment money to farm forestry is the long rotation -- in our area about 30 years for a return. Carbon trading could supply some cash flow along the and if we consider the prospect of a pulp market for thinnings the formula becomes more attractive.

One fact which did come out of the seminar is that there will be very limited opportunities for small individual growers. There will be a need for a larger body to organise large parcels of carbon which will attract international marketing.

As the carbon sequestered will be initially measured in the 5 years 2008-2012 it is most important to get the plantation in the ground now to allow them to be in a maximum growth curve by 2008.

At present there is no set framework for carbon trading and many problems have to be solved, but there is no doubt that it will eventuate in some form. The agreements already in place with State Forests and Pacific Power appear to be no more than paper shuffling exercises between Government bodies, but no doubt will give power industry a clean green image which is important.

Some of the problems which were discussed were what are considered eligible forests -- is regrowth eligible? -- what about managed native forests? -- who owns the actual carbon and how can you separate carbon rights from the trees?

The point which was emphasised is that carbon trading combined with environmental plantings for such things as salinity, land degradation and erosion and then combines with the final forest product is very attractive. Farm forestry should now be fully encouraged by C.M.C. and N.H.T. funding. A forestry culture in Australia must be promoted so we can achieve both the government targets on emission control and be in the fore front of forest development around the Pacific Rim

Another point to emerge for a grower to consider is species selection for plantation. The final return will depend on timber sales not carbon. All the figures shown on growth rates favoured radiata in most situations and certainly in our area.

So the recommendation for growers and prospective growers are:-

- * Plant now and keep an accurate record of all plantings back to 199
- * Follow a management plan to ensure best final results from timber irrespective of what happens to carbon trading.
- * Keep informed on all developments.
- * Consider combining environmental plantings and commercial forestry