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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

November 2000

3rd Friday Park Trust Meeting 7.30 pm
13th Monday Progress Meeting 7.30 pm
10th Friday Fire Brigade Meeting 7.30 pm
9th Thursday CWA Meeting 10.00 am
20th Monday Bungonia Times Deadline 12 noon

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RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURE

September Temperature Minimum 5.75 Maximum 19.8
August Rainfall 34.0 mm

Weather & rainfall is given to us courtesy of Dan Smillie at NPWS, Bungonia

BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

Emergency Numbers: 4821 1914 Andy Smith: 4821 5009 or Bungonia Base

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 10th November, 2000 7.30 pm at the fire shed.

Contacts: **President** – Dennis Jenkins 4822 4241 **Secretary** – Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241
Captain – John Edwards 4821 5489 **Treasurer** – Paul Bayliss 4844 4359

Captains Report

The new truck has arrived and a training/inspection day will be held on Saturday 4th November 2000 with a 9.00 am start. This will also be an equipment day, so please come along and join us, there will be a barbeque lunch that I'm sure will be enjoyable as usual.

Remember we need permits to burn off, if you would like to apply for one, please phone me on 4821 5489 and I will arrange an inspection and assess your situation. Lets remember to have a great summer without fires!

Basic training will start soon, the appropriate training books have finally been received, so give me a call or check with me on 4th November on the training/inspection day.

John Edwards,
Captain 1999/2000 Season

A message from the Secretary!

At our last meeting it was somewhat disappointing to find out from the Treasurer that we only have 9 family members who are currently financial. Possibly, or should I say hopefully, some of you out there have forgotten to pay your subs. Remember we need you subs to keep our gear in 'tip top' condition so that if a fire develops in our area, we are prepared for the fight with equipment that is in good order.

Subs are only \$10 a single or \$30 a family, such a small insurance for keeping our properties safe from serious fires, which I might add, we have been fortunate enough to avoid for some years. So please, it is important to pay your subs. You can send your cheque, made out to the 'Bungonia Rural Fire Service', 'Chezden', 815 Mountain Ash Road, Bungonia or Paul Bayliss, King Street, Bungonia anytime!

Thank you, Cherie Jenkins

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

President: Joe Leatherbarrow Secretary: Ken Moran 4844 4234
Treasurer: Narelle Walters 4844 7007 Hall Hire: Moira McGinity 4844 4266

NEXT MEETING: 7.30 pm Monday 13th November, 2000 at the Hall.

RECIPE BOOK: The Recipe Book is printed and available from Diane Canini 4844 4295, Diana Moran 4844 4234; Moira McGinity 4844 4266 Cherie Jenkins 4844 4241. Price is \$8.00 and \$2.00 postage. The official launching will be at the Christmas Party on 16th December at the Village Hall.

BEAUTIFICATION PLAN: The first lot of trees have been collected by Paul Bayliss and by the time you receive this Newsletter will have been planted in King Street. Telsta cables on both sides of the street make it too risky to use any machines for ripping or digging.

MARKET DAY SATURDAY 30th SEPTEMBER: A record number of stall holders, a good crowd and sunny weather combined to give us a very successful market Day. The Progress raffle was won by Ken Moran.

HALL ENTRANCE: We are gradually bringing the Hall up to the standards required by the Licensing Authority and our next project is to upgrade the main door entrance. Bob Everingham had generously offered to design the new entrance incorporating wheelchair access, a roof over the door and provision for our new notice board. The Board was donated by Trish's Trash & Treasure.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS PARTY: Saturday 16th December. BYO everything. The Hall BBQ will be lit for those who like to BBQ and tea and coffee will be available. Everyone is invited and we hope new residents will take the opportunity to meet fellow Bungonians. If the weather is unpleasant we move into the Hall. Contact Moira McGinity 48444266, Cherie Jenkins 4844 4241 or Pauline Dickson 4844 4202.

Santa has written to say he will call in so we hope all the children will be there.

NEW YEAR'S DAY 2001: Bungonia has challenged Windellama to a CRICKET MATCH. The game will be played on the half pitch in the Bungonia Park and Bungonia will be looking for batsmen or batswomen, bowlers and fielders. Further details will be in the December issue.

CHURCH NEWS

CHRIST CHURCH – BUNGONIA

Enquiries: Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241 or Lorraine Brooks 4844 4216

Minister: Rev Nick Hearnshaw 4821 4976

Keyboard: Brad Griffiths

Next Communion Service Sunday 12th November, 2000

Communion is held every 2nd Sunday. There will be no church meeting on the 5th Sunday of the month as we all meet in at St Nicholas Church in Kinghorne Street Goulburn.

Christmas Service

This year we will be having a Christmas Service on Saturday 23rd December. Come along and join our family to celebrate in the Glory of the Birth of Christ, join us in singing Christmas Carols and then after the service, stay and join in our barbeque dinner, we would love to see you there mingling and enjoying each others company at this very special time of year.

Everyone is welcome, come and share in the love that Christ so openly gives to all of us, church goers and non-church goers of all denominations are all welcome, we are all one with God!

November Cleaning and Flower Roster The Jesseps Family

December Cleaning and Flower Roster: Anyone and everyone!

ST. PATRICKS - MARULAN

Mass is celebrated at 4 pm every Sunday

Priest: Fr. Brannelly. Phone: 4821 1022

The annual Marulan Combined Churches Pre-Christmas Get To-gether will be held on Monday, 27th November at the Marulan Hall from 1 pm.: afternoon tea at 3pm.. There is no charge but you are invited to bring an item for a charity Christmas Hamper. Everybody is most welcome to this afternoon of entertainment, singing Christmas carols and friendship.

Contact Beryl Reid 48411773 : Dawn Eirth 48411556

PARK TRUST

President: Frank McGinity: 4844 4266
Treasurer: Paul Bayliss: 4844 359

Secretary: Karen Fabri: 4844 4382

Next meeting Friday 3rd November, 2000, 7.30 pm

Raffle: The meat tray donated by Dave's World of Fine Meats was won by Narelle Walters. The proceeds go towards the purchase and installation of play equipment in the Park. We won't know till December at the earliest, if our grant application to the Department of Sport & Recreation is successful.

Tennis Courts: Karen Fabri 4844 4382

GARDENING IN NOVEMBER

It is time to fertilise the lawn. Use a good lawn fertiliser and if we don't have a lot of rain, then we need to put plenty of water on them so the fertiliser does not burn the lawn.

Roses should be sprayed with Malathion or Rogor if aphids appear and you can also spray with Zineb or Benlate for Black Spot. If you go to your nursery, they may stock a general rose spray which will treat most things with one chemical. Also, feed your roses with a complete fertiliser.

Plant salad vegetables such as lettuce, squash and cucumber now for a Christmas harvest.

It is also time to watch for fruit fly as well, they are active on developing fruit and tomatoes. Telltale signs are small pockmarks on the fruit. Tomatoes have a small pinprick and the surrounding area stays green. Apply a splash bait made from 7ml of malathion and 50g of sugar, dissolved in 1 litre of water. Splash mixture onto leaves and trunks. Fenthion (Lebayid) and dimethoate (Rogor) will control fruit flies but must be used strictly as directed.

Feed Citrus and other fruit trees with blood and bone or all purpose plant food. Apply as far as the dripline or the extent of branch spread. Soak the area well.

It is also time to propagate English May

Handy Hints: Clean moss and algae from paths which were in the shade during winter to make your garden safer. The simplest way is to apply neat vinegar or a mix of equal parts water and strong disinfectant. Scrub firmly with a stiff brush, leave for an hour or so and hose off residue with a strong jet from the hose. If the problem persists, repeat the process in one week. This method does not affect the plants and environment the way chemicals do.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

President: Shirley Smith 4841 1976 *Secretary:* Ruth Dole 4844 7179
Treasurer & Publicity Officer: Colleen Cooper 4821 1856

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 9th November, 2000 10.00 am

Since our last report we have been represented at the Southern Tablelands Group Conference which was held at Gunning.

Our Annual Meeting has been held and the positions are held by the same people.

We are planning a Christmas luncheon to be held at a Goulburn Restaurant in December. If you would like to come as a visitor, please call Colleen on 4821 1856, your most welcome.

CWA at Bungonia is desperately looking for new members if we are to survive. We have been an organisation in Bungonia district for over 72 years, raising money for many charities. If anyone would like to come but the day or time of our meeting does not suit, please contact the secretary or myself to arrange something that would suit.

Best wishes till next time.

Colleen Cooper – Publicity Officer, CWA Bungonia

PATCHWORK & QUILTING CLASSES

Contacts: Pauline Dickson 4844 4202 or Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241

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 Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241.

Classes are only \$2.00 (\$1.00 towards new books, tea, coffee etc & \$1.00 towards our Christmas party) and if our teacher comes, we pay \$4.00 extra to help cover her travelling costs, where else would you get classes this cheap!. Everyone is welcome, its great to meet each Monday morning and meet others from our community.

BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

November

- 2nd Mitchell Davis
5th Kylie Evans
6th John Edwards (Jnr) 17 years – Look out, another motorist on the road!
7th Karina Edwards
18th Bethanie Dole
26th Dean Causbrook
26th Maddison Bawden (Chris & Deans Granddaughter)
26th Dyval Broadhead

Birthstone: Topaz

Flower: Chrysanthemum

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

FOR SALE

Do you want a Battery, then give Arthur a shout, he carried Tahmoor Batteries on hand. Simply phone 4844 4242.

Tube stock Acacia and Eucalyptus trees will be available early next year for sale: If you would like to put in an order please phone Cherie Jenkins or Daniel Sommerville anytime on 4822 4241, available are:

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| Acacia baileyana (Cootamundra Wattle) | Eucalyptus ovata (Swamp Gum) |
| Acacia pravissima (Ovens Wattle) | Eucalyptus nicholli |
| Acacia boormanii (Snowy River Wattle) | (Willow Leaved Peppermint) |
| Acacia melanoxylon (Blackwood Wattle) | Eucalyptus leucoxydon rosea |
| Acacia rubida (Red Stemmed Wattle) | (Red Flowering Gum) |
| Acacia iteaphylla (Flinders Rangers Wattle) | Eucalyptus mannifera (Spotted Gum) |
| Acacia floribunda (Gossamer Wattle) | Eucalyptus melliodora (Yellow Box Gum) |
| Acacia cultriformis (Knife Leafed Wattle) | Eucalyptus polyanthemos (Red Box Gum) |
| | Eucalyptus rossii |

Bungonia Times Raffle

The Times Raffle raised a wonderful \$301.00 thanks to the Bungonia Quilters. The quilt was won by a local lady. From the time the quilt was selling tickets, this particular lady had her heart set on winning it, and with all her determination, Chris Reid convinced everyone it was hers and guess what – the ticket was pulled out by a complete stranger to Bungonia and you guessed it, Chris' name was on the winning ticket (Blue Ticket D14), congratulations Chris!

In Council

Compiled by Cr Inda Evans

Bungonia Creek

Recent developments in water management have brought about a situation where you can have input into decisions about Bungonia Creek and, indeed, I would welcome your assistance.

In the State Government's report on stressed rivers and streams in the Shoalhaven catchment, Bungonia Creek has been given the highest rating.

This a concern that we should look towards turning into an opportunity and I believe this can happen through the new Illawarra/Shoalhaven Catchment Management Committee.

Last month I attended the inaugural meeting of this committee in Nowra because I have been appointed by the Minister as the alternate Local Government representative.

About the Committee

The committee has an independent Chairman from Wollongong University and delegates from a number of community organisations, including environmental groups.

Government agencies are also represented: Department of Land and Water Conservation, Agriculture, Fisheries, the Sydney Catchment Authority, etc.

Community delegates were selected to represent either the Shoalhaven or the Illawarra catchments and each delegate has an "alternate".

Local Government falls into the "community" category and is represented on the committee by a Councillor from Kiama Council (Illawarra) and someone from Shoalhaven Water.

I am the Shoalhaven area's Local Government "alternate". Ken Knights from Oallen Ford is another community "alternate" and we are the only members representing the Upper Shoalhaven catchment.

What this Means

The committee decided last month that alternate members would have the right to attend all meetings, participate fully in discussions and vote on issues and proposals.

The only exception to this would be in a case where there was a difference of opinion and the "alternate's" opinion was contrary to the consensus of the rest of the group.

As a Local Government member, I represent residents and ratepayers as well as Council.

Committee Powers

The State Government is currently debating the new Water Reform Bill in Parliament. They intend to have it passed early this month and gazetted by December.

A lot of Federal Government funding rides on this, so I believe they will push hard to achieve this goal.

Once the Bill becomes law, the committee's role begins and it appears that this will be highly significant.

The committee will be looking at the condition of the two catchments, concentrating in the first instance on the most stressed rivers and streams – remember Bungonia Creek fits this category – and making recommendations for action directly to the Minister.

Your Role

It is important that you have a say in this process, especially about Bungonia Creek. So, if the creek runs through your property or you have an interest in its future, please give me a call to talk about the issues.

I can be contacted on 4841 1648 (bh) or 4841 1900 (ah), by fax on 4841 1901 or email: indapat@ozemail.com.au

Public Notice

Mulwaree Shire Council

Dog Problems

Penalty Notices served without warning

In response to the increase in the number of incidents where dogs on public land cause problems by attacking people and causing concern to people, the Council advises that warning letters will no longer be forwarded to owners of dogs but a Penalty Notice will be served without warning.

A Penalty Notice can be issued for:

▪ Dog not on lead	\$110
▪ Dog without collar and tags	\$110
▪ Animal not registered	\$110
▪ Animal not permanently identified	\$110
▪ Change in registration / identification not notified	\$110
▪ Dog in prohibited place	\$110
▪ Failure to remove dog faeces	\$220

One or several fines can be imposed on a dog. If the owner cannot be identified the dog will be impounded and taken to Goulburn Pound. If the owner contacts the pound the normal pound fees are payable plus the above fines will be imposed.

Every person is asked to appropriately control their dog and ensure it causes no harm or inconvenience to any person in order to avoid a penalty.

Council Chambers
GOULBURN NSW 2580
9 October, 2000

Robert Mowle
General Manager

Goulburn Post:

Friday 13 October 2000

Wednesday 18 October 2000

Friday 20 October 2000

INVERARY CREEK

LANDCARE GROUP

2000

RESIDENT: K.M. COOPER.
02 4844 4214

"INVERARY"
BUNGONIA 2580

NOVEMBER REPORT

MORE PINES.

This year Inverary Landcare members planted over 40,000 radiata seedlings. Some were used for windbreaks and Xmas trees, but many went into larger plantations. At 1,000 per hectare, this equates to 40 hectare per year. One of the main aims of the Landcare Group is to use farm forestry plantings to combat erosion and reclaim badly affected soils. Despite the extremely adverse weather conditions a success rate of over 90% has been achieved. This can be only achieved with good ground preparation and correct planting.

The following article by Dr. Carlyle emphasises what we have already said – pines do not hurt the soil – it refutes the argument that pines turn soils acid and reduce fertility.

“Soil fertility is at least as high under mature pine plantations as in neighbouring areas of native forest, new research shows. Also, the soil under pines store as much carbon as pasture soils. This suggests fears that replacing pasture with plantation will release large quantities of soil carbon, with adverse ‘greenhouse’ effects, are unfounded.

The findings come from research by CSIRO Forestry and Forest Products and the Queensland forest Research Institute in the Green Triangle, centered on Mt Gambier, SA, and near Gympie Qld. The Forest and Wood Products R&D Corporation funded the project, which began in 1998.

For the pine/native forest comparisons, researchers selected about 20 sites where plantations – Pinus radiata in Mt Gambier region and slash pine (P.elliottii) in Queensland – meet native eucalypt forest. The plantations, mostly first rotation, were in the 23-27 years age range.

The scientists analysed soil samples for a wide range of chemical properties affecting soil fertility – notably organic matter content, levels of major nutrients nitrogen and phosphorous and base cations calcium, magnesium, sodium and potassium and soil pH. “We found no major changes in soil properties; in fact some have improved,” says CSIRO project leader Dr. Clive Carlyle.

Among specific results, the researchers found average organic matter levels under pine were about 16% higher than in the native forest soil. Carlyle suggests this is a consequence of the higher productivity of the plantations. He says that, under the management system developed in the Green triangle region, pine productivity is currently increasing from one rotation to the next making the plantations there a good example of sustainable forestry.

No difference showed up in nitrogen levels between the pine and native forest sites, an important result in the light of earlier concerns about declining nitrogen levels under plantations. Phosphorus levels were substantially higher under pine because of the use of phosphorus fertiliser. The plantation soils were slightly more acid, but their pH remained safely in the range where any acidity impact on a subsequent non-tree crop would be negligible. No change was detected in base cation levels.

The pine/pasture comparison showed much higher levels of phosphorus and nitrogen under pasture than under plantation. Carlyle says this is the result of frequent superphosphate applications and nitrogen fixation by clover in the improved pasture.

The key finding, though, was the lack of a major difference in organic matter levels – in fact these were marginally higher in plantation soil. “This has important implications for carbon accounting and carbon credits, It indicates the effects of converting land from pasture to pine is neutral.”

Dr Clive Carlyle. Tel: (08) 8721 8116 Email: Clive.Carlyle@ffp.csiro.au

Inverary Landcare Group will hold its Annual General Meeting on Saturday 25th November at 4pm at ‘Wilduk’ 296 Inverary Road, Bungonia.