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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND FOR MARCH 2002

Park Trust - Friday 1st March 7.30pm

Progress Association - Monday 11th March 7.30pm

CWA Meeting - Thursday 14th March 10am

Bush Fire Brigade - Friday 8th March 7.30pm

MARKET DAY

NO PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE ; NO MARKETS

OUR INSURANCE POLICY CAME BACK WITH A HIGHLIGHTED RIDER

"THIS POLICY EXCLUDES COVER FOR MARKET DAYS."

WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO BUY PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE MARKETS AT ANY PRICE. RELUCTANTLY AT THIS STAGE WE MUST CANCEL THE EASTER SATURDAY MARKETS. HOWEVER THERE IS A SLIM CHANCE THE FIREBRIGADE WOULD BE ABLE TO RUN THEM, CHERIE IS LOOKING INTO THIS AND ALL CONCERNED WILL BE NOTIFIED IF THIS EVENTUATES.

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OUR LOYAL STALL HOLDERS, DONATORS OF GOODS FOR SALE, KITCHEN WORKERS AND ALL WHO HAVE SUPPORTED US. THE NEW ROOF ON THE VILLAGE HALL IS YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

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Tea/coffee will be available

Take advantage of the day to visit the State Recreation Area and discover historic Bungonia.

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Please ensure that all contributions are received by the above time and date. For late entries please contact Susie Byrne on 4844 7102 or email 'wolfcon@bigpond.com.au'.

Home Delivery by Mail: Send your mailing details to Cherie Jenkins, 815 Mountain Ash Road, Bungonia 2580 with a cheque for \$17.00 to cover the cost of postage stamps and envelopes for one year. Please make your cheque payable to "The Bungonia Times".

CLEAN-UP AUSTRALIA DAY

SUNDAY 3RD MARCH, 9.30AM

All Bungonia district residents are invited to participate in our Clean-up Australia effort.

Bags, gloves etc will be on the Bungonia Village Hall Steps. If you can't make it on Sunday, take a bag on Friday or Saturday and fill it with roadside rubbish. Leave the filled bags and any other rubbish you collect at the hall. It will also help if you separate out the bottles and cans. Allan Travers will recycle them.

Everybody did a marvelous job last year and I hope as many residents as possible again take part. Remember stout shoes, hat, sunscreen and gloves.

Contact; Moira McGinity 4844 4266 - Coordinator - Bungonia Progress Association

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BUNGONIA PARK TRUST

President: Diana Moran : 4844 4234

Secretary: Moira McGinity: 4844 4266

Treasurer: Paul Bayliss : 4844 4234

Next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Friday 1st. March 2002 at the Village Hall.

Clean up Australia: The Trustees will be participating in this program .

Bungonia and Woodward's Creek: The Trustees in conjunction with Sydney Water Catchment Authority have drawn up a draft Rivercare Plan for the stretch of water through the Park. If any landholders are interested in contributing ideas or in developing a plan for their creek area come along to our next meeting.

Trees: The recent rains have been great for the tree plantings in the park.

War Memorial: Work has begun on the Memorial garden.

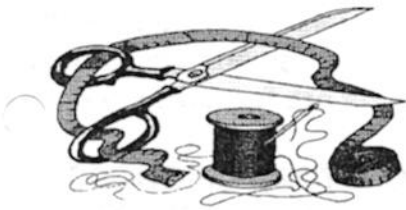
Patchwork & Quilting Classes

Contacts: Pauline Dickson 4844 4202 or Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241

If you would like to meet other local ladies for a spot of sewing and morning tea, we'd like to meet you, so come along and join in, everyone is welcome!

Classes are on every Monday at 9am to 12 midday at the Bungonia Village hall. If you would like to learn the art of patchwork and quilting, contact Pauline or Cherie on the above numbers.

Classes are just \$2.50 (this goes towards new books, tea, coffee, hall hire and of course GST), we also have a teacher (Leigh Reynolds) who comes once a fortnight to give us great tips and sewing techniques, we pay \$4 extra to help cover her traveling costs and teaching, where else would you get classes this cheap!



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COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

President: Shirley Smith 4841 1976

Secretary: Ruth Dole 4844 7179

Treasurer & Publicity Officer: Colleen Cooper 4821 1856

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 14th March, 2002 at 10am

As we start 2002 we have been notified of the cancellation of the Easter Market Day at Bungonia Hall. These markets have been our main source of income over the past few years.

CWA is the largest volunteer women's organisation in Australia, raising money and donating time and skills in health, education, environment, emergency relief, holiday homes for country residents and international aid. The CWA lobbies governments on rural and women's issues.

Competition winner for February was Judy Knott. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 14th March at 10am. If you would like to come and have a chat and a cuppa with us please feel free to do so.

Till next time, Colleen Cooper, Publicity Officer

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT: John Wiggan 4844 4228

SECRETARY: Sandy Wooderson 4844 4366

TREASURER: Diana Moran 4844-4234

HALL HIRE : Moira McGinity 4844 4266

NEXT MEETING: 7.30 pm, Monday, 11th. March, 2002 at the Village Hall.

Ray Dole has been forced to resign as president because of other commitments. Thanks to Ray for his contribution. Welcome to John Wiggan our new president.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA: Sunday 3rd. March :Join the thousands of Australians who participate in ridding our roadsides, parks and creeks of rubbish. See the separate notice for details.

Bring your sausages etc and join other workers at a BBQ lunch at the Hall. Tea/coffee & hot water supplied.

MARKET DAY: This year our public liability insurance has a rider excluding Markets both inside and outside the Hall. We have contacted a number of Brokers and insurance companies and **we cannot buy public liability insurance for the Markets at any price. Regretfully we are forced to cancel the Easter Market Day.**

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OUR LOYAL STALL HOLDERS, DONATORS OF GOODS FOR SALE, KITCHEN WORKERS AND ALL WHO HAVE SUPPORTED US. THE NEW ROOF ON THE VILLAGE HALL IS YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

The Markets took over from the Combined Churches Fete which took over from the Church of England Harvest Festival and that is going back beyond the memories of most of us.

STREET TREES: Watering and the recent rains have revived the trees.

HALL ROOF IRON: This has all been sold.

WEEDS WON'T WAIT

An informative morning seminar

With guest speakers & Displays

At

Bungonia Hall

Saturday 2nd March, 2002

Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm

Brought to you by

JACQUA CREEK LANDCARE GROUP

BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

Emergency Numbers: 000 Andy Smith: 48215009 or Bungonia Base

NEXT MEETING: Friday 8th March, 2002 at 7.30pm 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

Message from the Catering Officer:

Ladies of Bungonia

At the February Fire Meeting, a motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously that the meeting invites the 'Ladies' in the Bungonia Community to an informal gathering for the following reasons:

- A chance to meet others
- A chance to put your ideas forward regarding the Brigade
- If so desired, to form a Women's Auxiliary (as in other Brigades) for catering etc.

Venue: Bungonia Fire Shed Meeting Room **Date:** Friday, 22nd March, 2002

Time: 7.30pm

A plate would be appreciated for supper. Any enquiries, please phone Sue Bowker on 4844 4283. Thank you!

Captains Report:

Thank you to all that have helped in anyway fighting the fires, "Great Work". Remember, the fire season is still on so be careful with working around the farm.

Date to remember:

3rd March is field and game (setting traps as last time) volunteers needed - fundraiser!

Basic Training on the 9th & 10th has been cancelled until further notice, we were unable to get an accredited trainer for these days.

Thank you to Mike Freestone for making a trolley for the shed and working on the trucks, it has been of great help already.

Base did a great job on the last fire having crews ready for dispatch quickly and on the move. Great Job Base.

John Edwards, Captain

Message from the Secretary:

Hi there, we are having a fundraiser again, the same as last time but this will only be for one day (Sunday 3rd March), it is for the Workers Club Field and Game Club, we have been asked to set up traps again on that day, hope to see some of you there, give Eileen Smith a call if you can help (4821 5009).

Also, don't forget if you haven't paid your donation, now is the time because it is due again in July this year, don't be left off the books, become a member of the brigade.

As we are still in the fire season, think before you slash or do any welding around the farm, keep your fences clear of debris and keep a bucket of water near your barbeque just in case, best to be safe than sorry!
Cherie Jenkins, Secretary

CHURCH NEWS

CHRIST CHURCH - BUNGONIA

ENQUIRIES: Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241 or Lorraine Westley 4844 4216
MINISTER: Rev. Nick Hearnshaw 4821 4976
KEYBOARD: Judith Denny & Brad Griffiths

NEXT COMMUNION SERVICES: Sunday 10th March, 2002

This will be the AGM as well - after the service! All Welcome

Communion is held every 2nd Sunday of the month. 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.

BIBLE STUDY: Thursday Nights

Bible Study has recommenced and we are meeting at Narelle Jesseps home. All welcome, we start at 7.30pm and finish at 9.15pm with a cuppa and nibbles. Come along and join the growth and sharing in a friendly atmosphere. For info, call Narelle on 4844 4274 or Cherie on 4822 4241.

CLEANING & FLOWER ROSTER:

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| January & July: | Bayliss | April & October: | Edwards |
| February & August: | Jenkins | May & November: | Jessep |
| March & September: | Westley | June & December: | Lawrence |

Easter & Christmas: Group Working Bee

ST PATRICK'S MARULAN

MASS TIMES: Sunday 4pm
PRIEST: Fr. Kevin Brannelly Phone number 4821 1022
PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Marlene Eggleston 041 821 3121

LENTEN PROGRAMME: This begins on Monday 18th February at St Patrick's Church Marulan.. Please contact **Megan Heuvels** for further information. **4841 0295**

Judy Gibbons would like to hear from anyone interested in joining a prayer group at St. Michael's Church, Bungonia on Mondays. Please contact her on **4844 4446** for further information.

INVERARY CREEK

LANDCARE GROUP

PRESIDENT: K.M. COOPER
02 4844 4214

"INVERARY"
BUNGONIA 2580

MARCH 2002

PLANTATIONS NOT HARMFUL.

A three year study into the impact of pine plantations in north-eastern Victoria has found they have no more harmful effects on water supply than native forests.

The study was carried out by the Co-operative Research Centre for Catchment Hydrology at Melbourne University's Department of Forestry and funded by the Forestry and Wood Products Research and Development Corporation.

It compared the effects of radiata pine plantations and native eucalypt forests on three water catchments West of Mount Buffalo between 1997 and 2000.

It measures water quality, nutrient levels and stream flows in catchments in the Cropper Creek area, where radiata pines plantations have been established since 1980.

The results were compared with those from neighboring catchment covered by native forests and with data collected before the pines were planted.

Water quality was constant with little difference in water use between the two types of trees, while soil erosion and stream turbidity were also similar.

Leon Bren of Melbourne University's Department of Forestry, who led the study with peter Hopmans, of the Centre for Forest Tree Technology, said all the evidence pointed to the fact that there was little, if any, impact from radiata pine plantations compared to eucalypt forests.

"The studies also show that the amount of water used by radiata pine at about 20 years old is approximate to that of native forests."

Chairman of the Forest and Wood Products Research and Development Corporation, Thorold H. Gunnerson, said the outcome sent a clear message that conversion of forest to radiata pine met modern criteria of sustainable land and water use and that radiata pine could be a viable, sustainable industry.

Earlier plantings at Inverary, around the infamous "gully from hell" are now showing positive results from extensive use of radiata pine.

Slowly all the misconception about pine plantations are being disproved by irrefutable scientific studies. Much of this recent research has been aimed at the implementation of The 2020 Vision to treble Australia's softwood plantations by 2020 making us self sufficient.

In badly eroded, dispersable soils around the Inverary gully system, the radiata has shown many more positive results. The very active gully heads are becoming stable and the whole area between the pines is now covered in a complete canopy of native grasses preventing any further surface erosion. Run off after a major event is slowed and regulated.

This research work in Victoria, supports earlier results from the Mt. Gambier region. Now we can say for sure pines do not adversely affect water quality on run off and in effect regulate it.

Council Notes

with Cr Inda Evans

Technology

Did I say last month that I had solved the "technology" problems? Well, the quality of last month's column proved me wrong – it still has me beat!

But, is this month a better job? Let's see.

Growth and Development

The Australian Bureau of Statistics has had Mulwaree Shire at the top of the ladder for some time now – highest growth rate outside N.S.W. (Newcastle, Sydney and Wollongong metropolitan areas). I am looking forward to the details of the last census to become available later this year to prove the point. Meanwhile, Council continues to consider a whole swag of development applications each month.

Among the applications considered at the January meeting were

- ! two log cabins for tourist accommodation at Lake Bathurst,
- ! a new business offering janitorial supplies located on Tiyces Lane
- ! a turkey farm at Windellama and
- ! a small (garden shed size) equipment shelter vault on the Federal Highway at Wollongorang.

An application to develop a property north of Goulburn for rabbit farming (no, not the feral paddock variety of rabbits) led to Council deciding to review its existing policy on this activity, given that the standards and requirements appear to have changed and improved since the policy was first developed.

These approvals are in addition to the large number of approvals for dwellings, additions, garages, sheds, small subdivisions, and the like that are received every month and delegated to Council staff to assess under Council's guidelines.

Expansion and Vision

An unfortunate fire that destroyed a business in Tarago recently has become the catalyst to providing bigger and better things for the Tarago community.

Council made a special effort to quickly determine an application for an extended service station, renovated store, office and post office at Tarago. The proposed development is likely to significantly enhance the services available at Tarago and the process was an excellent example of the way your Council operates when there is an identified priority need in the community.

The Tarago example shows very clearly that the Shire is looking forward and thinking about the needs of its community.

Budget 2002/2003

Council will be putting together its budget proposals over the next couple of months. It is expected that bitumen sealing of Oallen Ford Road and Lumley Road will continue.

Water Management

The draft Water Sharing Plan for the Kangaroo River catchment is expected to go on public exhibition for comment this month.

It affects this region because it is the first of many such plans to come and therefore sets the precedent.

The plan was originally drafted by the Shoalhaven/Illawarra Water Management Committee (of which I am a member) and the Minister's "expert panel" has already made suggestions for amendment.

It is important that the community takes the opportunity to read the draft and make comments.

Contact Your Councillor

If you have any issues you would like to discuss with me, please get in touch:

Phone: home- 4841 1900 or at Marulan Post Office 4841 1648

Fax: home - 4841 1901 or
at Marulan PO 4841 1677

Mobile: 0412 778 235 or 0438 778 235



Weeds won't wait!
A free seminar you can't afford to miss

The Jacqua Creek Landcare group is hosting an information day to discuss the management of weeds, those along creeks (riparian) and those in pastures. Like so many other landholders in the Upper Shoalhaven catchment, members of the Jacqua Creek Landcare Group have found a common problem in the management of weeds.

The workshop 'Weeds won't wait' will be held on

Saturday 2nd March 2002

Bungonia Hall

9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Presentations and question time will be given by:

- - Paul Brown, Mulwaree Shire Weeds officer, discussing landholder responsibilities to weed control and what the Mulwaree Shire Council are doing to manage weeds;
- - Dennis Ashton, Sydney Catchment Authority, to give advice on the management of riparian weeds and information about the efforts of the Sydney Catchment Authority;
- - Walter Jehne from the Bombay Landcare Group discussing efforts of this group of landholders to manage weeds beyond an individual property boundary; and
- - Representatives from the Rural Training Centre discussing training opportunities for landholders in the safe use of farm chemicals and weed spraying.

Morning tea will be served. If you have a concern about the management of weeds, this is an excellent opportunity to learn about your responsibilities, the work of local authorities and the opportunities Landcare provides to help manage weeds.

For more information, call Sue Carr 4844 4364 or Ken Moran 4844 4234.