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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND FOR MAY 2002

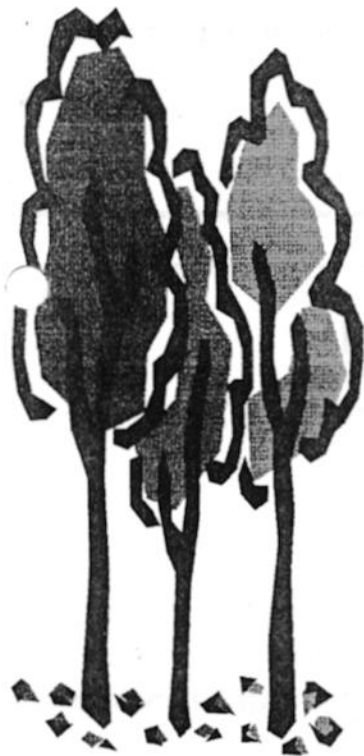
Park Trust - Friday 3rd May 7.30pm

CWA Meeting - Thursday 9th May 10am

Progress Association - Monday 13th May 7.30pm

Bush Fire Brigade - Friday 10th May 7.30pm

THE TREE



*Some people touch a tree and find but wood to feed a fire:
Yet, carpenters can feel a floor or sense a soaring spire.
The sculpter looks upon its trunk and carvings fill the air,
while others come and see the hearts which lovers whittled
there. The farmer reaches for its fruit: the traveler seeks its
shade; The boy can see a raft of logs on streams of flowing
jade. The outdoorsman will think of crafts to blunt an
ocean's rage; The pharmacist will see its roots, the
publisher a page. The bird finds one beloved branch; but
mothers see the beds wherein at nightfall they will tuck
their precious heads. The artist grasps the golden flame
that leaves of autumn toss, and some, whose souls are deep
as time, can see a Savior's Cross.*

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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'.

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BUNGONIA PARK TRUST

President: Diana Moran: 4844 4234

Secretary: Moira McGinity: 4844 4266

Treasurer: Paul Bayliss: 4844 4234

Monthly meetings at the Village Hall: 7.30pm Friday 3rd May, 2002

7.30pm Friday 7th June, 2002

The War Memorial Garden has been planted and all the rosemary plants benefited from the recent rain. Congratulations to Sherri and Paul on the birth of their baby daughter.

Next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Friday 3rd May, 2002 at the Village Hall.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

President: Shirley Smith 4841 1976

Secretary: Ruth Dole 4844 7179

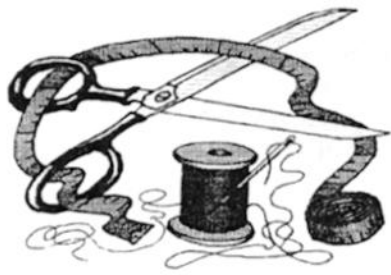
Treasurer & Publicity Officer: Colleen Cooper 4821 1856

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 9th May, 2002 at 10am

Our small group of Handicraft ladies produced some lovely work which was displayed at the Group Day held in Goulburn recently. Kath Hogg had her lovely Hand Knitted Pure Wool Vest chosen to go on to State Judging at Grennadah in early May. Congratulations Kath. Bungonia branch gained 620 points, the winning branch got 643 points.

Many thanks to our members and husbands for cutting our grass and keeping our property clean and tidy. April competition winner Shirley Smith. Next meeting will be on 9th May at 10am.

Colleen Cooper, Publicity Officer



Patchwork & Quilting Classes

Contacts: Pauline Dickson 4844 4202 or Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241

On Easter Saturday the Bungonia Quilters held a very successful display of quilts and crafts. The most popular quilt of the day was won by Shirly Dunn for her beautiful Butterfly Quilt. Congratulations to all the ladies for an excellent display, the hall has never looked so good.

Thanks to all who helped set up the display and who worked tirelessly on the day. Well done to everyone.

The raffle of the quilt made by the group was won by Adele Hyam of Bungonia and drawn by a visitor from the UK Mrs Marjorie Nicholson of Ianbridge Wells. This raffle raised \$604 for the Bungonia Times. The group also donated \$500 to the Progress Association for improvements to the Hall.

If you would like to join our group, classes are held every Monday from 9am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Contact Pauline on 4844 4202 or Cherie on 4822 4241.

Gardening in May

This is the time of year when a lot of general cleaning up can be carried out in your garden.

With cooler nights, mildew which is a fungus, can be seen on the leaves of Dahlias, Hydrangea, Petunias, Delphiniums, Easter Daisies, Pumpkins and Cucumbers as well as some others but it is not worth spraying with a fungicide. Delphiniums and Easter Daisies can be cut back about 8cm, above ground and with Dahlias, cut the stems above the leaf node. If you cut between the nodes, the stems being hollow can fill with water and the bulbs can rot. Any leaves covered with mildew should not be put in compost heaps as this fungus will spread through your garden when the compost is spread next season. Make sure you burn those leaves or put them in the bin as garbage.

This month many perennial plants such as Polyanthus, Russell Lupin and Delphiniums can be divided making sure when you replant them to dig some compost into the garden as well as a light dressing of complete fertiliser.

Vegetables to sow are very limited as any seedlings planted now lay dormant during the winter months. Broad Beans are excellent to plant now, they do very well in the cooler climate, but before sowing the seed only, give the bed a good dressing of garden lime. Onion plants are available now as well in nurseries. Plant white and odourless onions only though. Onions need very little water, plenty of sun, good drainage and before sowing a light dressing of complete fertiliser.

Flower seedlings that can be planted now include Calendula, Stock, Wallflower, Alyssum, Poppy, Pansy, Viola and Verbena. Another general clean up job is to lift Gladioli bulbs and store them in a box or hang them up in an airy shed.

Happy Cleaning Up Your Garden!

CHURCH NEWS

CHRIST CHURCH - BUNGONIA

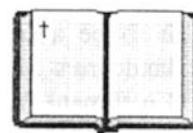
ENQUIRIES: Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241 or Lorraine Westley 4844 4216
MINISTER: Rev. Nick Hearnshaw 4821 4976
KEYBOARD: Judith Dennelly & Brad Griffiths

NEXT COMMUNION SERVICES: Sunday 12th May, 2002

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 - BUNGONIA



Come and join our weekly learning and discussion sessions in a friendly, open atmosphere, and share a cuppa.

Every THURSDAY night - 7.30 to 9.15 approx.

We not only study God's Word, but search and learn further through a variety of media - Video and Cassette teaching tapes, books by well respected authors, & special study material. This is a great opportunity to ask questions, search for answers and share a fun discussion time on our findings with each other.

We are about to trial a "venue roster" - to hold our study nights at a different home each month, to give everyone a break from distance traveling.

BIBLE STUDY FOR MARCH will be at Narelle Jessep's, Mountain Ash Road.
APRIL venue & all other enquiries: - Lorraine on 4844-4216, or Narelle on 4844- 4274

CLEANING & FLOWER ROSTER:

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

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

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BUNGONIA 2580

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REPORT ON UPPER MURRIMBIDGEE CATCHMENT FORUM. "THE WAY AHEAD"

Several excellent speakers presented their perspective on the way ahead now that the Catchment Blueprints had been completed. Unfortunately the opportunities which no doubt exist for farm forestry, seem to have been ignored. The speaker for Greening Australia even made the statement that the Upper Murrumbidgee and A.C.T. are not forestry areas

The one theme through several presentations on the future on Natural Resource Management (NRM) was that for it to be accepted by the farming community financial help or other incentives are needed. Farmers and landcarers in general express reservations about any programs which has any suggestion of government or Catchment Authority accountability. The way forward for implementation of Catchment Boards Blueprint must be in the form of co-operation and incentives.

The proposed Australian Landcare Management System (ALMS) is encouraging farmers to look at NRM in conjunction with their present agricultural practices. Up till now Governments have not been prepared to hand back environmental responsibilities to farmers who after all manage over 80% of the Nations land and whose land is contributing to most of the environmental degradation after decades of poor farming practices based on European methods we have accepted without question from our forebears.

If the broader community is concerned about water quality, clean air, increased biodiversity, lower water tables, less salinity and greenhouse reduction, then it must be prepared to pay for them. No landholder can be expected to reduce profits, if any, to meet these criteria. The logical answer in my mind is the adoption of some of the Allen report recommendations now gathering dust, imposition of an environmental levy similar to Medicare, all members of the community must help fund environmental programs

The ALMS is a voluntary system, where landholders can look at integrated resource management, but it needs large Government support in its implementation in the form of reimbursement for loss of production, tax incentive and other incentive grants and joint partnerships.

Back to the farm forestry, which according to Greening Australia, is not important in our area. Here is a wonderful opportunity to integrate commercial tree plantings with normal farming practices and achieve all the desired environmental outcomes. Farm forestry (and for heavens sake give up on the old well worn natives V exotics argument) can address salinity, water table, land degradation, greenhouse, biodiversity and water quality. It can easily be integrated into existing farming systems, provide stock shelter, improve soils and give a sustainable economic return.

The one basic fact that Environmentalists, Landcare, NHT and Greening Australia must accept is that exotic plantings such as P.radiata do not damage the environment and in fact enhance it. Nature has given us a wide variety of plants and animals, so lets use them to our advantage. Radiata will also control serrated tussock the worst noxious weed in our area.

ALMS has been developed as a grass roots approach to address natural resource degradation issues facing land owners. The progress and structure of Environmental Management System (EMS) and ALMS generally will be

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Recently it was decided to ask the ladies of the District for volunteers to provide food during times of bush fires. If you would like to register your name, please phone Judy Knott on 4844 4478 or Gail Waddel on 4844 4252.

Remember this is your District and the fire could be on your property so please help.

Free Full Day Workshops on Managing Creeks & Rivers

Hosted by Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council, Natural Heritage Trust & DLWC.

Lunch provided, Windellama 10th May, Braidwood 18th May. Ring Andrew Taylor - Landcare Co-ordinator 4842 2594.

FOR SALE

ALPACAS & ALPACA FLEECES FOR SALE

Wethers and wether quality, from \$330 gst incl. perfect for guards, lawnmowers or pets, some halter trained.

Pregnant and breeding females from \$1900. Young good quality males

Very reasonable starter packages available.

Fleeces in many colours both suri and huacaya from \$5 per kg.

Wallaby Ridge Alpacas Bungonia 02 4844 4499

SMALL CATTLE HERD FOR SALE - 3 breeders with calves at foot, two heifers have been running with bull \$3300. 02 4844 4499

Come to Christ Church, Bungonia

- convenient time for families - 5pm on Sundays

- enthusiastic singing - modern songs

- interesting talks - relevant to life today

- tea, coffee and yummys - a chance to talk

You will be very welcome - why not try it?

BIRTHDAYS IN MAY

06 Andrew Farrugia

09 Margaret Davey

30 Christopher Moran

Birthstone: Emerald

Flower: Lily of the Valley

Jacqua Creek Landcare Group

The members of Jacqua Creek Landcare Group have been very busy planting tubestock along the creek bank on Ken and Diana's property as well as partially completing a creek crossing on Jacqua. Planned projects are fencing and re-vegetating part of the creek, completing a further creek crossing and stabilising a creek bank worn away by heavy flood rain. There are planning workshops in the pipeline to finish a two year draft plan for Jacqua Creek plus a Chemical Users Course.

The Weeds Won't Wait Seminar in March was a great success and we thank not only our guest speakers, but everyone who helped on the day with a special thank you to our local Landcare Groups who all staged displays.

Our next meeting is Sunday 19th May at 3pm, when we will have a meeting and BBQ. You don't need to be a landholder on Jacqua Creek to attend the meetings. Everyone is welcome to join the group. Please phone Sue Armstrong on 4844 4364 or Ken Moran on 4844 4234.



Katrina Hodgkinson, MP

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Council Notes

with Cr Inda Evans

Statistics

The Australian Bureau of Statistics has released population growth figures for 2000/2001 which are shown in the table below.

These are not figures from the last Census – I will be looking forward to seeing those when they arrive later this year.

Local Government Area	Population in 1996		Population in 2001		Growth 2000 - 2001 (%)	
Population in 2000						
Growth 1996-2001 (%)						
Growth placement (out of 177 areas)						
Cookwell	4431	4251	4311	-0.5	1.4	31
Goulburn	21490	20618	20447	-1.0	-0.8	139
Gunning	2299	2264	2270	-0.33	0.3	90
Mulwaree	5806	6382	6438	2.1	0.9	52
Queanbeyan	28155	30201	31353	2.2	3.8	5
Tallaganda	2601	2629	2626	0.2	-0.1	102
Yarrowlumla	9253	9653	9972	1.5	3.3	6

Onion Weed

It's not the common, problematic garden version, but this Onion Weed (*Asphodelus fistulosus*) is a new arrival in Mulwaree Shire.

Currently it has only been found in two small infestations in the north of the Shire and it would be a pity if this new problem were to spread.

A biological control program is being introduced so let's hope this works.

Subdivisions

Fifteen lots are to be created at Marionvale, off Tiyces Lane, and "Lockyersleigh" at Marulan has received approval for a 42-lot subdivision.

When added to the 90 new dwellings approved so far this financial year, and previous subdivisions approved, the growth in the Shire is quite considerable.

Animal Control

Over the past few months, the number of farm animals, including cattle and goats, that have found their way to the wrong side of the fence, has been on the increase.

Dogs attacking stock, as well as dogs wandering loose in village streets, continue to cause concern.

There are animals on virtually every property in the Shire, so it is an issue everyone should take an active interest in controlling. Under State Government law, animals need to be kept within property boundaries at all times.

"The Dungeons"

An area at Tallong, known as "The Dungeons", has been a tourist attraction of sorts in the past. It is, however, an undeveloped site with a creek, small waterfall and cuttings into rock under the waterfall.

Given the current adverse situation with public liability insurance, keeping the area open to the public would pose an enormous risk to Council.

Consequently, Council has decided to close the area until funds become available to set up a safe viewing platform.

When you take your friends sightseeing around the district, please leave this area off your agenda.

Contact Your Councillor

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

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