

# The Bungonia Times

The Community Grape Vine

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## BUNGONIA MARKET DAY SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER LONG WEEK-END

GO THROUGH YOUR SHEDS, CUPBOARDS AND HIDDY HOLES TO  
SEE WHAT YOU CAN COME UP WITH FOR THE  
**TRASH AND TREASURE STALL**  
HELP SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY COME ALONG AND ENJOY  
THE HOLIDAY WEEK-END

**CONTACT: MOIRA MCGINITY WITH YOU GOODIES**

### Hall extensions

Expressions of interest are invited from licensed builders to tender for building a disabled access and toilet & associated amenities at the Bungonia village hall.

Experience in the application of the Building Code relevant to disabled facilities is expected

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PLEASE REMEMBER NO FIRES UNLESS YOU HAVE  
NOTIFIED THE BASE AND YOUR NEIGHBOURS  
OF YOUR INTENTION

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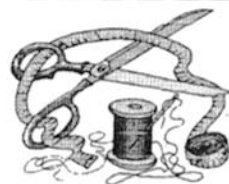
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## Patchwork & Quilting Classes



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or Margaret Lehmann 4844 5190

We would like to thank our community for your ongoing support, and welcome enquiries from anyone wishing to join our group, which meets each Monday morning at the Bungonia Hall at 9 am.

## **Goulburn Poultry Club**

**Poultry Auction:**

**21st September, 2003**

**Goulburn Poultry Pavilion, Goulburn Show Ground**

**Penning to cease 9.30am SHARP**

**10am START**

**CONTACT: BOB ANDREWS 4844 7133**





**BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE** continued:

**CAPTAINS REPORT:**

I would like to welcome our new committee and to say thanks to last year's committee. Also a big welcome to all new members. This year is not looking too good, with the dry weather still around be careful burning off.

**Remember the fire season starts 1st October to 31st March**

LETS WORK TOGETHER AGAIN TO KEEP OUR  
AREA FIRE FREE.

You can help by preparing your property

- \*CLEAR GUTTERS
- \* CLEAR GROUND AROUND BUILDINGS
- \*CHECK TAPS & HOSES
- \*LPG GAS BOTTLES VENTS AWAY FROM THE HOUSE
- \*CHECK PUMPS & HOSES ARE IN WORKING ORDER
- \*HAVE EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS ON HAND
- \*BASE---4821 5009
- \*CAPTAIN---4821 5489     4821 5489
- \*SENIOR DEPUTY---4844 4462
- \*FIRE COMM.---4822 2900

We will be making a roster up at our next meeting for equipment & truck maintenance day, all names to Eileen on 4821 5009.

I would like to thank Dennis, Cherie, Paul, Judy, and Arthur for all the work they have done over the years in office, the fire station has a new office & kitchen because of the work they have helped to do.

I would like to thank all members that have helped in some way throughout the year. Once again our area only had a couple of fires which were quickly blacked out, thanks to our crews being on the scene after receiving a call from base.

With the Canberra fire our Cat 2 spent many weeks around the Canberra, Yass area.

Thanks to the volunteers that went each day manning the truck and all the work Eileen put in getting the crew ready; many phone calls.

I was proud to see our BUNGONIA CAT 2 truck each morning clean & tidy ready for its new crew, WELL DONE.

Raising funds are very important to the brigades; it helps us to buy new equipment. So thanks to all who help in some way selling tickets, getting wood, working b.b.q.

**BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE** continued:

THANKS; but remember we have a new season that means we start all over again.

**SO CAN YOU HELP????**

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Base has a new radio to play with , so give **ANDY** or **EILEEN** a call to check if yours & their's are working.

Also a **BIG THANK YOU** to **MICHAEL FREESTONE & JOHNNY BOWKER** for teaming up and winning a GPS for our brigade.

**WELL DONE.**

Captain Bungonia  
**JOHN EDWARDS**

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**MARKET DAY**

**SATURDAY: 4TH OCTOBER 2003**

The Fire Brigade will again be manning the BBQ - we are as always calling for volunteers to help support the day and the Brigade -

We are also calling for ladies of Bungonia to donate a cake or slice to be sold separately or to enjoy with a good "cuppa".

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# INVERARY CREEK

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### SEPTEMBER 2003 UPDATE

#### PINUS BRUTIA.

Trials have now been planted along with 20000 P.radiata. The Brutia Pine is an interesting European species with similar timber qualities to radiata, but more adapted to lower rain fall. These trials funded by STFFN will be compared to P. pinaster planted in 2000 and P.radiata to find the most suitable species for our dry acid soil environment.

#### NATIVE REMNANTS

In the past few years have been fenced out to exclude stock , and now is a good time to have a look at these blocks. Many conservationists imagine that by fencing out native blocks we are conserving native vegetation in it's original form. The truth is that the local dry sclerophyll forests need disturbance to keep them healthy. Before white settlement all forests were periodically burnt by aborigines or wild fires and by preventing this the native stands will never return to their true old growth form. The best management of remnants is to harvest selectively what you need in timber. mill logs, round posts, stays and fire wood and allow them to actively regenerate so they are an active and dynamic ecosystem --maybe a lesson for National Parks?

#### COUNTRY HICKS AND CHICKENS.

The chicken debate continues and was in no means answered by the public meeting at Ardmore. I can advise the developers that the "country hicks" as we were referred to know and understand much more about conservation values and natural resource management than greedy or ignorant developers who now they have been told to get out of the Sydney Basin, seem to think they can plunder valuable resources without any thought or understanding of their sustainability.

I refer again to the use of underground water a very limited and very valuable resource which must never be over exploited. Surely there is a lesson to be learned from other areas where over exploitation of ground water has seen a dramatic drop in the water table of over 10 metres in the Lower Hawkesbury. The application and E.I.S. now before the Shire for a Turkey Farm on Sharps Creek Road is a prime example of developers not appreciating the limited extent of ground water. The test bores yielded 1.25 l/ sec which equates to only 40 megaliters per year if pumped continuously 24 hours per day which is surely not sustainable. The application stated bore water will be used for turkeys drinking, but bore water is not commercial -- a little contradictory?

#### VISIT BY UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY.

The annual visit by a coach load of students engaged in Environmental Science at the University appreciated work done locally in erosion control and revegetation. The student group includes Inverary every year to see at the ground level what can be done to conserve our resources. Remember the Resource Centre and Farm Walks are available to anyone -- come and see what has been done in the "Gully of Hell" since we were awarded a Gold Rivercare Award in 1996. It is very pleasing to see the extensive forestry plantings are now controlling ground water and erosion and demonstrate that commercial plantings can achieve the same beneficial environmental outcome as any other revegetation.

K.M. COOPER  
PRESIDENT

## BUNGONIA PARK TRUST

**President:** Diana Moran: 4844 4234.

**Secretary:** Anne Williams 4844 4228

**Treasurer:** Paul Bayliss : 4844 4359.

Next Meeting: Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> September, at the Working bee in the Park

**Bungonia Creek:** The mulch is available for \$15.00 a box trailer load. Some firewood is also available at a negotiable price. Contact any of the Park Trustees.

There will be a working bee on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup>. September at the Park to clear out the remaining willows and do maintenance work.

### **President's Report for the Year 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2003.**

The last year was the 5<sup>th</sup> and final year of a 5 year term. This last year the Trust only had 5 members, so my thanks go to all my fellow trustees for their efforts in the huge task of maintaining the village park.

This year has again been fruitful with our receiving a grant for removing the willows from the Bungonia Creek. After consultation with the park's neighbours the Trustees left a few willows at the southern end for the privacy requirements of those neighbours. The funds received enabled the Trust to pay a professional contractor to help with the poisoning, willow removal and mulching. This job is not complete with further work still to be done cutting, removing and mulching willows at the northern end of the park. The willow removal has opened up the park considerably and made the creek much more accessible. My thanks go to all the Trustees and Allan and Christopher Moran, for all the days of work they put into this project.

We received a grant to purchase a second rocker last year. This has been purchased and installed near the play equipment area.

This year has seen the enlargement of the War Memorial garden with the planting of *Callistemons* behind it. When fully grown these should separate the memorial from the rest of the Park. We received another grant to enable us to purchase new flag poles. These were voluntarily installed by members of our Vietnam Veteran's community and our thanks go out to them. The ANZAC day Ceremony was once again very successful with a large number of people attending. The new flag poles worked very well. Our thanks go to the Bungonia Progress Association for providing refreshments.

A new donation box has been installed at the BBQ area to replace the one stolen last year and the cattle grid was sold, removed and the area rehabilitated.

We are very appreciative of the MSC's teams of workers who have mown, not only the park, but also the village over the past summer and a 'Work for the Dole' Team who spent time helping with willow removal from the creek, cleaning up the Tennis Courts and surrounding area and mulching some of the trees.

Lastly, I thank my fellow trustees for their efforts in maintaining the Park facilities. I think we had another very successful year.

Diana Moran

President

1st August, 2003