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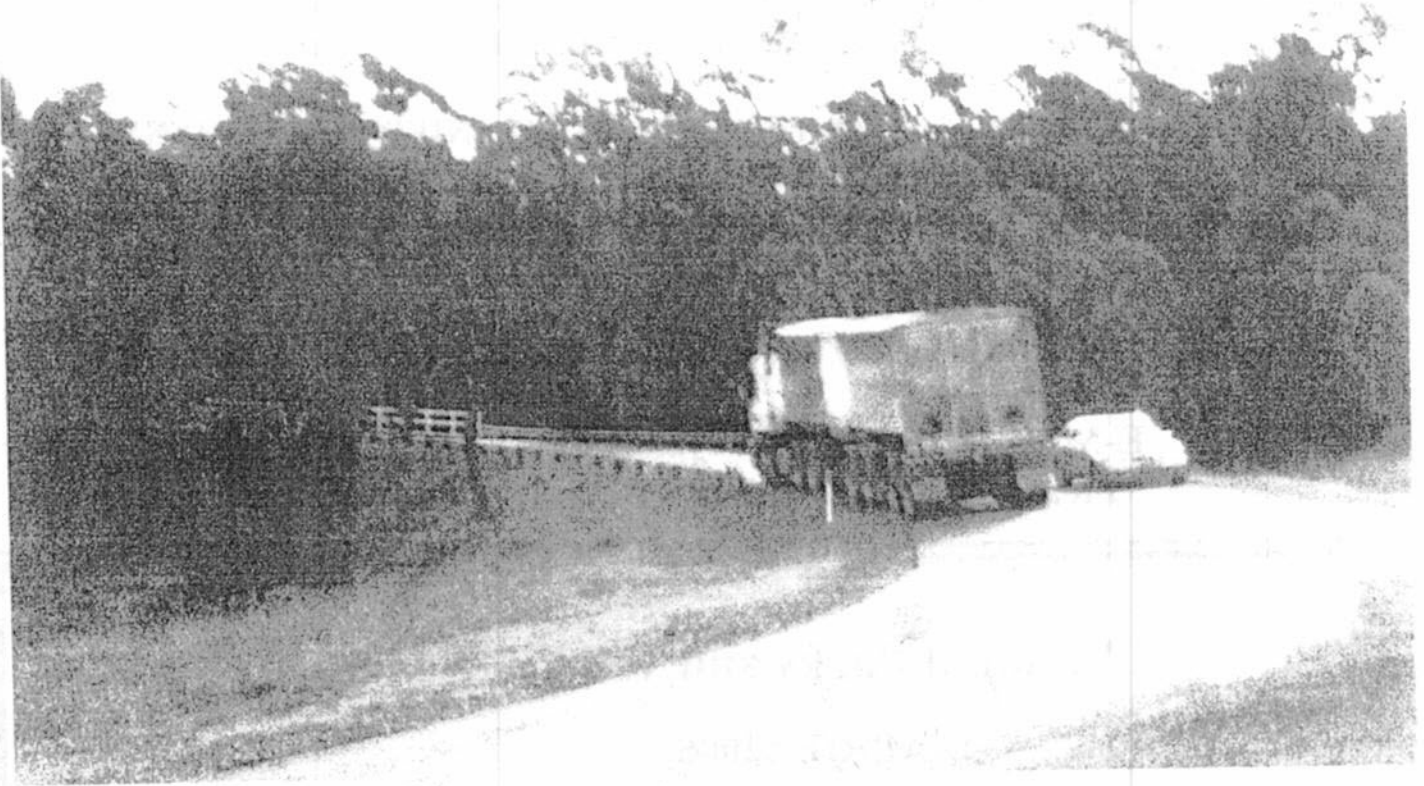
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Into the Affray Once More, Dear Friends!



Multiquip Quarries on 30th March, 2006 lodged an appeal in the Land and Environment Court against the Minister's refusal of their development application for a quarry at Ardmore Park.

Multiquip Quarries is not required to set out any grounds of appeal when commencing Class 1 proceedings, it is simply an appeal against the minister's refusal of the D.A.

The grounds on which Multiquip Quarries will rely at the appeal hearing to support their D.A. will not be known until closer to the hearing date when the Department will prepare and exchange evidence with Multiquip Quarries.

The Department (D.I.P.N.A.) will be writing to all objectors shortly giving notice of the appeal.

The foregoing information from D.I.P.N.R. was provided by Greg & Judy Gibbons.

Everyone who could possibly be effected by Multiquip Quarries appeal should attend the next meeting of the Bungonia Progress Association, to be held on Monday 5th June at 7.30 P.M.

This **important** meeting will endeavour to clarify the position, what we can do and the possible cost, to oppose this appeal.

Your support is needed !

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Broadband Internet in Bungonia, A Dream ?

The following is an extract from a letter I received from Alby Schultz M.P. Federal Member for Hume.

The Australian Government is helping to ensure that people in rural and regional areas can access higher bandwidth service with the \$878 million Broadband Connect programme.

It is under Broadband Connect internet service providers such as Telstra can enable local exchanges for ADSL. However, before funding will be provided sufficient interest must be expressed by eligible customers in that **exchange area**.

In your case, the threshold is set at **50** eligible customers.

However, **not all residents of the Bungonia area will be classed as eligible customers**, based on:

- the distance between the building and the telephone exchange (via cable length, limited to something like 5km Ed.)
- spare capacity available on exchange, and
- other technical limitations on the line that may interfere with ADSL services.

Those customers who are not eligible for ADSL still have access to Broadband Connect assistance however. They can apply to their preferred Broadband Connect service provider for a two-way satellite service.

Satellite is slightly more expensive than ADSL however this is because satellite is a superior service. For example, a \$29.95 per month ADSL package may only give you 500mb of download per month. A \$59.95 per month satellite package however will most likely be unlimited.

However, different providers do offer different packages and it is up to individual customers to shop around and find the package that best suits their needs

Whilst I understand Telstra intend to apply for funding to upgrade the Bungonia exchange once the **required threshold** is reached, in the meantime I would encourage Bungonia residents to make enquiries about satellite services under Broadband Connect. (End of Extract)

However, there is a possible alternative. The following information was received by email.

BROADBAND INTERNET WITH OUT PHONE LINES

The company is called WireFree Networks, our contact number is 1300 651 638.

website is www.wirefree.net.au

Basically our entire company was created to bring broadband out to country people to areas where you cant get it through phone lines.

We started in Crookwell, which is where our main office is right now, we have another office in Goulburn, which is where our primary network servers are.

We can get broadband to areas where you cant even get mobile phone service.

Already we have built our network to places such as:

Crookwell, Bigga, Tuena, Laggan, Woodhouselee, Gunning, Bredalbane, Yass Wee Jasper, Nattery, Greenwich Park, Tallong Park. and a lot of areas around Goulburn Suburbs that are out of the pathetic ADSL range.

We 'think' we have one of the geographically largest wireless broadband service areas in Australia, not absolutely sure. Our links are 4 times faster than (Telstra) broadband.

We have a service point at **Mount Marulan**. Approximate range 30km line of sight.

Anyone who can see this point has a good chance of being connected

We are expanding quite fast and can build solutions usually in less time than it takes (Telstra) to reply to questions. We are expanding into the Bungonia area, those who can see Mt. Marulan can get a free survey to see if they can get connected. (End of email)

I hope this information will lead to many frustration free broadband hours.

EDITOR

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION.

Next Meeting : 5th. June , 7.30pm Monday at the Hall

NB. Meeting is on first Monday so as not to clash with the long week-end

Ardmore Park Quarry. Multiquip Quarries have appealed against the decision of the Minister not to allow the Ardmore Park Quarry to proceed. All those who submitted an objection will be notified. Please come to the Progress Meetings so that you can keep up to date with what this entails and what steps you can take to have your view considered at the Land & Environment Court hearing and what if any costs are involved.

Hall Extensions: These are progressing . The completion date is long gone however the water is connected and the tiling completed.

Traffic: There are a number of black spots in the District and Progress has asked the Council to erect signage that alerts drivers to the dangers. One is the entrance to the Cemetery, another the intersection of Oallen Ford Rd. and Lumley Rd. and a number of T intersections where it is considered that the mandatory "Give Way" is not enough and "Stop" signs should be installed. Near misses are not recorded in traffic statistics but with increased traffic on our roads it's only a matter of time before a "near miss" becomes an accident.

BUNGONIA RURAL WATCH:

New members are welcome and it is in your interest to take part in Rural Watch. The Crime Prevention Officer gives a summary of the reported crime & traffic accidents in our area at the meetings which are held every three months.

It is strongly recommended that you identify all your property and keep records of serial numbers. The police have lots of recovered stolen property and this makes owner identification possible.

Contact: **Constable Louise Raymond (Crime Prevention Officer CPO).**

If you need to report a crime in our area Contact **Scott Marsh at Marulan 4841 1516 or EMAIL mars1sco@police.nsw.go**

Daryl Riches is the Rural Crime Investigator and deals with matters relating to stock theft or stolen equipment or chemicals. Report any theft no matter how small as it may build up a picture of a wider ring.

Contact number 4823 2010

Bungonia and District Historical Society Inc.

Bungonia Servicemen: Gretel Ayre is collecting information for a paper on Bungonia Service personnel which she hopes to have ready for next ANZAC Day.

As a first step she is researching the names on the War Memorial. This will also be part of our submission to have the War Memorial heritage listed. She would like photos of service men & women in uniform. If you can help contact : Gretel Ayre 6247 6253

I can scan the photos and return them immediately so that you don't have them out of your possession.
Moira McGinity 4844 4266.

