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HISTORY DAY AND BUNGONIA'S 150TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS ON 15TH SEPTEMBER

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BUNGONIA MARKET DAY 29th September

Our thanks to Kim Motley who has volunteered to help Pauline Dickson to distribute the Bungonia Times along the Lookdown Road. It's nice to have a new member on the team and we hope that others might make themselves known to assist in areas around our catchment area - Mountain Ash and Inverary Roads would be nice.

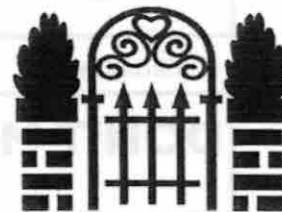
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August Rainfall: 14.5 mls

Coldest Temperature: -4 ° C

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BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

Next Meeting: 16th. September 7.30pm at the Community Hall.

Markets: 29th. September, 2007. at the Community Hall. All the usual attractions, bargains and gourmet food.

Trash & Treasure: We turn your trash into treasure so clean out your cupboards. All donations gratefully received.

Contact: Moira McGinity 4844 4266

Stalls: Contact Eileen Smith 4821 5009

The Market Days are fund raisers for local organizations so make sure that you come along and support your community.

Clean-up Australia: This is not till March next year but we need an organizer if it is to continue. Contact Moira McGinity. 4844 4266

The AGM was held on 13th. August, Ken Moran is the new President, all other officers were re-elected. John Wiggan, our previous President, did not stand for re-election. Thanks John for all the great work you did as President, especially in regards to the extensions.

The positions of Secretary & Treasurer have been filled by the same people for six years and both would like a break. Both jobs do take up quite a bit of time, especially that of Secretary. Do we have a volunteer to help with the correspondence ?

Hall Centenary. The Hall was opened 100 years ago in October and we are celebrating the anniversary with a *Plain & Fancy Dance* on 27th. October. Details will be in the October issue but circle this date now.

Ceiling: This has been put on hold

Hall Deeds: Copies of the original deeds have been framed and hung in the Community Hall entrance.

BUNGONIA RURAL WATCH .

Next meeting 19th. November, 6.30 at the Hall.

New members are welcome and it is in your interest to take part in Rural Watch .

Contact Scott Marsh at Marulan 4841 1516
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

A couple of recommendations from the Police representative, Constable Louise Raymond:

- Make sure that you put equipment away and that you lock your sheds. Most theft is opportunistic and if it is easy to walk in and pick up a chain saw or other portable equipment that is what a thief will do.
- Take advantage of the police volunteers who will engrave your equipment so that it can be identified if stolen

Leaflets will be available at the Market day at the Hall and at the Fire Station.

BUNGONIA PARK TRUST

Next Meeting: at the working bee if necessary
Working Bee: Saturday 8th 10am in the Park Jobs include installing rubbish bins with leather lids to prevent wildlife scattering rubbish all over the place. There will be a BYO BBQ lunch. All interested in the Bungonia Park are invited to join us as there is plenty to do..

Toilets: The DA for new toilets is with the Council.
The AGM was held on the 15th. August and Paul Bayliss is the new President. Anne Williams & Margo Crossley were re-elected. Frank McGinity did not stand for re-election.

A Piece of History—Kenmore Hospital Museum, Goulburn.

Step back in time to a 19th Century Psychiatric Asylum Ward. The 2007 exhibition is 'Mental Health Nurses' featuring 1895 to the present day. Weekends 15/16 September and 22/23 September 2007. 10am - 4pm. Historical tours of the grounds at 11am and 2pm. Admission/tours: Gold coin donation.

Follow the blue museum directional signs from inside the main gate to the hospital. The Museum is situated in the grounds of Kenmore Hospital, 197 Taralga Road, Goulburn 2580 NSW. Telephone 02 48273412 (bh) or 02 48212587 (ah). We have disability access and light refreshments are available. If you require any further information please contact our Secretary, Leoné Morgan, lemamo@bigpond.com.au or by phone on the numbers listed in our above information package.

Bungonia and District Historical Society

President's Report 2006-2007

This is my last President's Report as it is time to retire for a number of reasons. It has been a difficult year in some ways because of the ongoing Court action to protect our District from the adverse effects of the Ardmore Park quarry proposal. We have also been trying to stop the Lands Dept from selling the Bungonia Rifle Range without consideration for the surrounding property owners, or its Historical value to the District.

People might say "Oh, The History society doesn't do much" – Well, without it there would be several Historic features and much knowledge about the Village and the District that would not be preserved for the future without this work.

The future of an area and its people is built on the happenings of the Past. A History Society tries to show a comprehensive and accurate view of the past eg through last years highly successful "Bridge to Bridge" Village heritage open day. Over 50 People came from far flung places to attend.

This year is the Centenary of the Bungonia Village Progress Hall and the Society is helping to Celebrate this milestone on both 15th Sept –with History Day –cake and plaque-and on 27th October with the Supper Dance. The other community organisations are participants in these shared Celebration events.

My thanks go to Anne Williams who has been a tireless worker as Secretary for the Society and organiser of History Day. Margaret Taylor has kept the financial transactions and records beyond reproach; my thanks to you Margaret. I conclude by thanking all the members for their support over the years.

John Wiggan 2007 retiring President.

Goulburn Library News

National Poetry Week 2007

The Great Poetry Escape

Tired of gloom and doom? Gone cold on Global Warming? Why not fly away on the 'viewless

wings' of poetry? Join Harry Laing for a half day workshop which gives a taste of what poetry can offer. You'll hear poems that stimulate, challenge and amuse and have a chance to flex your own poetic muscles with a variety of fun writing games and exercises.

Harry Laing is a published poet, comic performer and creative writing teacher. He has written and performed five one-man comedy shows. His two series of quirky country tales have been broadcast on Radio Nation's Bush Telegraph. He is a dynamic and exciting presenter and loves switching people onto poetry.

Where: Goulburn Library

When: Wednesday Sep. 5 from 2pm – 5pm.

Cost: Free

Booking are essential and can be made to Mary Biddle on 4823 4436 or email

mary.biddle@goulburn.nsw.gov.au.

School Holidays Activities at Goulburn Library

The St George Taronga Zoomobile will once again be visiting Goulburn Library on Monday 8th October, as part of our school holiday programme. The Zoomobile is an outreach programme designed specifically for groups other than schools. It showcases Australian native animals and encourages participants to take positive action for their local environment in ways meaningful to them.

More information about the Taronga Zoomobile visit and other activities will be available from the library closer to the school holidays.

"Neshan"

The Australian International Exhibition of the Badge, the Logo and Coat of Arms

Goulburn Library : Friday 12th October to Friday 19th October, 2007

The Exhibition designed by Ardeshir Ghoulipour has had a successful showing in **Canberra, Binalong, Adelaide, CIT Canberra Institute of Technology and Sydney**, with many people showing interest. As a result of the exhibition the material will be compiled into a series of research books for students of Iconography, Politics and History.

* Exhibition will be opened by Paul Stephenson Mayor of Goulburn Mulwaree Council on Friday 12 October at 11am.




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BUNGONIA **\$350,000**

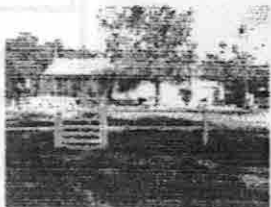
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BUNGONIA **\$560,000**


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BUNGONIA **\$465,000**


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BUNGONIA **\$430,000**


LOCATION & VIEWS



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GOULBURN **\$180,000**


HIDEAWAY WITH WATER



This 177 acre hideaway is only 15 minutes from Goulburn city. The acreage is mainly scattered timber with some natural grazing pastures. The 3 dam property has the Jerrara creek running through the rear boundary. There is a one bedroom weekender with phone and septic available. Will not last at this price.

GOULBURN **\$390,000**


CLOSE TO CITY



40 acres of partly pasture improved soils with lovely scattered box, stringy bark and gum trees of approx 50%. The property is only 10 minutes from Goulburn and has 4 dams, 5 paddocks, stockyards, chook yards & dog yard. The 4 bedroom comfortable fibro cottage is steel framed with wood heating, good water and excellent gardens. There is also a large 9 x 9m steel & iron shed plus 4 car garage, hayshed & cow bale.

WINDELLAMA **\$245,000**


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Saturday vigil Mass 5pm. at St. Peter &
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time during winter**
Sunday 8am. at Fatima, North
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Sunday 10 am. at Sts. Peter & Paul's.

Parish Priest: Fr. Tony Percy
Assistant Priest Fr. Damien Styles

Travers and Joan Longhurst, hope to see you all soon.

Plans are underway for our 80th Birthday Celebrations in May 2008 and our Christmas Lunch which is to be held in Goulburn after our December meeting.

Members having their birthdays in September are Joan Longhurst and myself.

Now for some news from our Head Office in Sydney. The DAFF Drought Relief Funding became available on 15th July. NSW's share of the \$8 million is \$3.2 million. Currently, two Project Officers are processing about 100 grant applications daily; please phone me on 48 21 1856 if you require an application form. CWA of NSW donated \$20,000 towards the Hunter and Central Coast areas to assist them after the recent floods and are also supporting a "Model School" in Mando Province in PNG with \$5,000 from the International Funds. These monies are raised by the branches and are then distributed by Sydney headquarters.

Our next CWA meeting will be held on Thursday, 13th September at 10.00 a.m. at our meeting room in Howick Street and our AGM will be held on Thursday, 11th October at the usual time and place. We look forward to seeing some new faces.

Until next time,

Colleen Cooper
Publicity Officer



CWA NEWS SEPTEMBER

The members braved cold conditions to attend the August meeting of CWA where I was the winner of the competition.

Our thoughts go out to Judith Knott, Ruth

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Horse – ing Around No 13

Spring Time Exercise

By Sandy Wooderson.

Wow, can you believe spring is just around the corner! With spring comes the challenges of keeping -

*Those fat ponies from foundering (Laminitis) from all the spring flush of grass (we hope).

*The weeds at bay especially the ones that are poisonous to horses.

*Removing the great hairy coat that has kept our horses warm over winter.

*Battling the hordes of insects that will annoy us, and the poor horse for the next nine months.

*And getting ourselves, and our horses fit for more work!

Training – If your horse has spent most of the winter out, don't feel bad, so have 99.9% of the horse population. Only those die hard people who brave the cold and wind, the lack of light after work or have nothing better to do, (only joking) keep their horses at peak condition in winter. I know some who migrated north for QLD shows but most of us opted for giving "Trigger" a holiday in the paddock and snuggling up in front of the fireside, I wish I had! We spelled the carriage horses, as winter is not the wedding season, plus many of the riding school ponies, but began working the thoroughbreds for the spring racing calendar.

You need to start slow and build yourself and your horse up to condition. Sunday the 12 August was a lovely day and many people were out riding. I bet many people went to work on Monday very sore and sorry and a few horses were the same way. If you over ride your unfit horse many problems can arise:

***Azoturia/tying up/ Monday Morning Sickness** - this is caused from over work mainly when the horse is on a high grain diet. The horse develops an electrolyte imbalance, vitamin E and or selenium deficiency and this causes the muscles to 'tie up' it is serious and needs vet attention.

***Strained muscles** – from over exertion.

***Dehydration** – caused by excess sweating and not replacing fluid. Signs are a weak pulse, sunken eyes, dry gums, darker gums and failing a skin test. Skin test is pinching a fold of skin on the neck. If it doesn't return within two seconds the horse is dehydrated.

***Wind galls, splints and joint problems** – from over exertion.

***Colic** – this is often a secondary problem from over work. Never give a hot horse a long, cold drink! Walk to cool the horse off and give small half a bucket drinks. Keep the loins warm during cool off time, with a towel, saddlecloth or rug.

Question Time- What is the best time to breed with my mare?

Most foals are born between 1st August and December. This gives the foal ample time to grow over the best grass growing months and be weaned before winter so not to drag down the mare especially if she is back in foal. It also keeps yearlings at the same growth rate for showing or racing at two. It would be a disadvantage to show a yearling that was six or more months younger than the competition and the same for racing. If you are just breeding for pleasure there are no set times but mares are more fertile in spring. I join my mares from late September to February (I mostly free range but keep track of heats and serving dates.)

Bye for now, Happy horse – ing Around, Sandy,

For your diary :-

Bungonia Progress Association invites you to share in our Bungonia Hall Centenary Celebrations

**October 27th
2007**

Come to the
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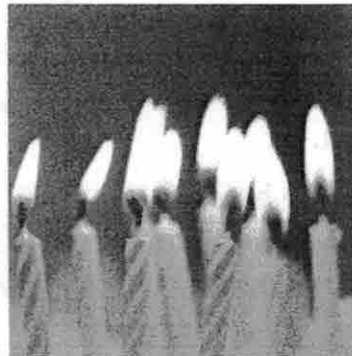
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15 September 2007

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MORE ABOUT HISTORY DAY

- Registration at hall ; receive information /maps pack at entry
- Enjoy the Hall Exhibition war, mining, agriculture and social lifestyle 1832 on.
- Explore fascinating heritage village sites with self- tour maps in your registration pack.
- Read the histories in words and stone .
- Visit the open(from 10AM) buildings –St Michaels 1847; Christchurch 1893 ; Closed 1-2 PM
- Wander through the Historic and touching Cemetery just outside the Village; South on left.
- Search for your family names on the headstones.

TOP Times

- ❖ 11:30 am; Tour the archaeological site ruins. “MIZPAH” opposite Hall
- ❖ 1 pm; share the 100 year Birthday Party Cake for the Hall.
- ❖ 2 pm ; take the Guided Tour of the Cemetery – just South of Village

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INVERARY CREEK LANDCARE NEWSLETTER –SEPTEMBER 2007

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SEPTEMBER REPORT

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Continuing from last month when I summarised Peter Andrews attitude to natives in his book 'Back From The Brink' I have now read in detail his concept of Willows being very useful plants which should be planted not eradicated. Obviously some Willow species are not good when they seed prolifically and choke up waterways but many including the majestic Weeping Willows are just what is needed to restore degraded streams.

The reasons landcarers and environmentalists condemn Willows are they consume too much water, dump too much organic matter in the stream, cause flooding and most importantly they are not native. All these arguments are very easily refuted, but one gets very accustomed to the ignorance of government authorities and hardened to the stupidity of trying to remove Willows unnecessarily.

Before enlarging on the above reasons for condemnation one should look back on the state of the Australian landscape 60,000 years ago and even 200 years ago as described by early explorers. They describe massive areas of wetlands and marshes. Charles Streat found vast wetlands along the Murry-Darling close to 50 miles across, dominated by reeds up to 5 metres tall, while John Oxley similarly described the Lachlan as a chain of ponds with marshes 30 miles wide. Likewise Mitchell was so impressed with the huge marshy floodplains with intermittent ponds, he decided the system stopped the land from becoming desert. The explorers also described the massive yearly burning by Aborigines which no doubt would have already destroyed much of the floodplain system before white man arrived.

Willows do block streams but by doing so slow down the water flow and hence slow down the loss of nutrients downstream to the sea. Willows will also slow down erosion by bank stabilisation and stop the stream bed deepening which is so damaging. Nothing has done more damage to the Australian landscape than streams being channelled and deepened. In the old floodplain system there wasn't any definite channelled but rather the water slowly moved down intensive wetlands so spreading all the nutrients, not losing them.

The question of water loss is very questionable. Certainly Willows transpire and use water but in shading a stream they reduce pond temperature and lower evaporation. Willows of course being deciduous will only transpire for part of the year while natives use water all the time. Remove the shady Willows and the evaporation rate soars. To remove large shady Weeping Willows and replace with natives is wrong. The natives if they do survive will not provide shade and shelter for another 20 years. A resident I know on the Yass River told me the platypus completely disappeared on the section of river when Willows were removed.

Work by Ecologists have shown Willows do not drop any more leaves than natives but being yellow in the Autumn are more obvious. Another interesting fact is when Willows are removed the pond life changes from breaking down organic matter to photo synthesising and producing organic matter which will affect stream health lower down.

Instead of condemning Willows they should be treated as a very useful pioneer plant, one which can be used as a fodder reserve and one which can help get water back into the ground aquifers.

In the wet years in the 1950's farmers were actually subsidised to plant Willows in their rivers and creeks. Don't be surprised if this doesn't happen again.

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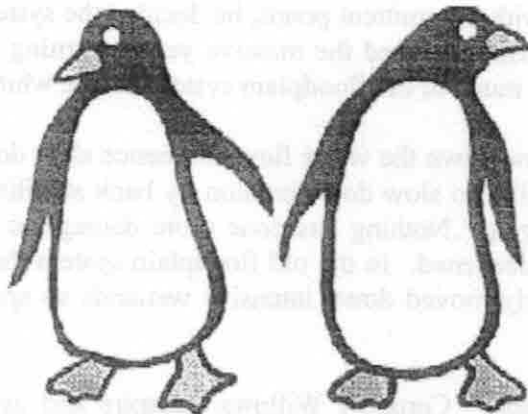
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