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*The Community Grape Vine*

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## Land and Environment Court of N.S.W. Proceedings.

We are hoping that as many residents of Bungonia as possible can take an interest in the proceedings and attend the hearings.

The effort to attend could say to the Court that people are interested in the result of this action. It will also help to support the close Bungonia community which would be so badly affected if the Chicken Enterprises Australia Ltd are successful with their appeal.

If you do not have transport-look to neighbours and friends and carpool.

These are the dates etc for the Quarry hearings

May 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	Site visit Ardmore park  <b>After lunch</b> (at Hall around 2 p.m.) Hearings begin with some village site visits.	Legal teams and Neighbours only
May 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Goulburn Courthouse	General.
May 7 <sup>th</sup> Monday	Land and Environment Court	General.
May 8 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Land and Environment Court	General.
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Land and Environment Court	General.
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Land and Environment Court	General.
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### **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!

## INVERARY CREEK LANDCARE

Kevin Cooper has been rewarded for many years of undertaking Landcare and Farm Forestry projects. Kevin was presented with the Carina Clarke Perpetual Award for Landcare Excellence at the Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council Awards night held at Braidwood on Saturday. Windellama Landcare was presented with the Best Landcare Group award and Merv Cornish the Best Landcare Individual award.

Some background information on Kevin:

Inverary is a family property that has been in Kevin's family for 4 generations. When he took it over in the mid 1980's the land was very degraded with lots of erosion, salinity problems and some very deep erosion gullies, exacerbated by the severe drought years of the early 1980's. Many tonnes of valuable topsoil were lost in windy conditions. Kevin's project was to restore the land back to being a viable farming enterprise with shelter and shade for the animals, to check or control, if possible, the loss of the topsoil and improve the biodiversity of his farming enterprise. In the process of doing this he has changed the microclimate of his farm and local area due to the plantations that he and his Landcare group have put in of both native and exotic tree species as windbreaks and woodlots.

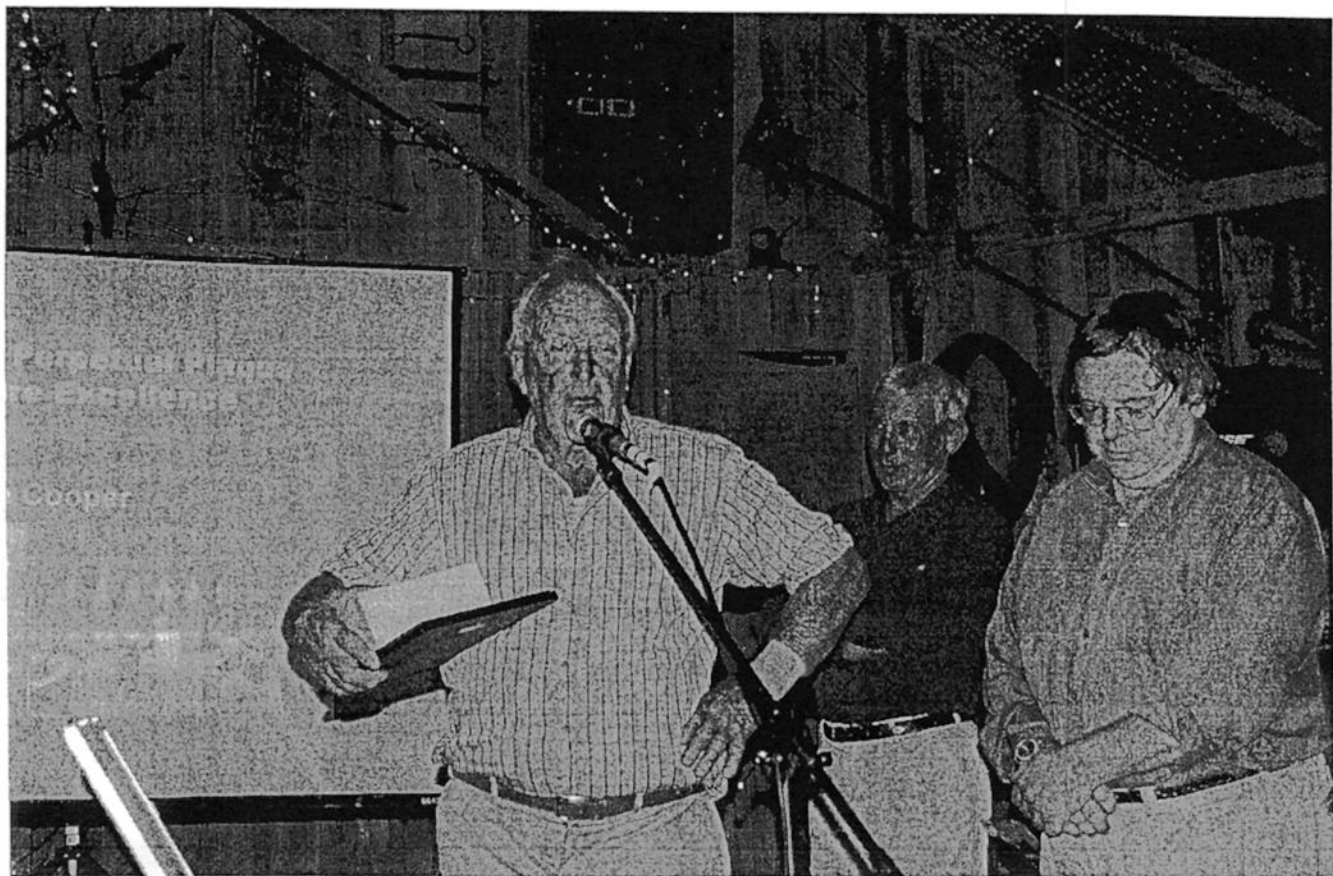
Kevin has planted a wide variety of trees as woodlots to determine which species would be best suited to his soil types, windy conditions, extremes in heat and cold and quite severe frost conditions and in some cases salinity. This information has been catalogued and published for the benefit of others. Along with mechanical soil erosion work and the plantation of these woodlots Kevin has been able to arrest the soil erosion and increase the biodiversity on the property. This has meant that he has virtually eradicated the loss of topsoil by wind erosion and from the gullies by water erosion, into the Shoalhaven River catchment.

Kevin was a founding member and President of the Inverary Landcare Group in 1992. Kevin and Beryl Cooper set up the Inverary Landcare Resource Centre on their property to host field days, workshops, training days, Landcare meetings etc.

Kevin & Beryl produced a publication called "Inverary Creek Landcare Group Trials & Results 1990 - 2005". This booklet was produced with the help of an Envirofund Grant and outlined the results of their field trials. Kevin was a foundation chairman of the Southern Tablelands Farm Forestry Network and he still holds that position today. He was a member of the board of the Upper Shoalhaven Catchment Management Authority and is also a member of the Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council.

Kevin has continuously inspired other people to form their own Landcare Groups, written monthly articles in the Bungonia Times and been very forward thinking in all aspects of Landcare.

Kevin is a very passionate person when it comes to spreading the word about Landcare, farm forestry, erosion control etc. and is always willing to talk to other people interested in these ideas and always willing to show them the results of his efforts. His property is an example of what can be done to restore unviable degraded land back to good health. His work has inspired not only surrounding farmers to undertake similar projects, but also others who have met him and seen Inverary as it is today.



N.B. Photo was taken by Diane Broadhead



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For further information contact Tiffany Royds, Program Coordinator, QRS – Jane Vincent & Assoc.

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### *A Good Day Out with our Advertisers*

Recently our niece, her husband and their three children were visiting Canberra from England. We invited them and other relatives ( 30 in all) to lunch at the Old Brewery and afterwards horse riding at "Room to Move" in Bungonia.

After meeting and greeting in the Courtyard, Michael O'Halloran took the party on a tour of the Brewery, followed by tastings. Three year old George lost interest in the making of ales and beer and went to visit the chook pen, where he fed the chooks and learnt "chook talk". The men were able to relax and enjoy the tasting because the women had volunteered to do the driving. The younger ones were anxious for lunch. The buffet was ready and the children served themselves with some parental supervision. The children commented "Wow: Aunt Mary the ham is great but the chicken is A1" The adults favoured the roast beef. The sweets also came in for high praise. Tea and coffee were served in the Courtyard.

After lunch we all traveled to Bungonia to Sandy's Riding School. We had given Sandy the ages of the children (3 to 15) and she matched the riders to suitable mounts. 3 year old George, had changed his mind and was not keen to get on his special pony, Cricket, however Aunt Catharine persuaded him. Once mounted he was happy and, when the time came to dismount, he didn't want to get off.

After donning hard hats off they set for the Round Yard where they received basic instruction and then on to the Sport Paddock. In the Sport Paddock the riders went through "the Hoops" which included negotiating several obstacles and ended with a ride through the bush.

It was hard to know who enjoyed the exercises most, the adults watching or the riders. The children's "Thank You" for the day said it all.

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