

COMMUNITY NEWS

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MMUC FAQs

Over recent weeks there has been much comment, speculation and at times misinformation circulated about the sale of the Mangrove Mountain Union Church property. To set the record straight, the answers to some of the frequently asked questions are below.

Why take the drastic step of selling the Church?

The decision to sell the Church was not made lightly. The committee members had all been actively involved in and loyal to the Church for many years, and it was with sadness and regret that the decision to sell was made. Ultimately, with little community support, little interest in the Church as a worship centre for some years, no potential for meaningful income in the foreseeable future and the appointment of new members to the committee not possible under the Constitution (see below), the sale became the only viable option.

Why insist on selling the Church when there are so many people putting their hands up to keep it running?

The Constitution of the Mangrove Mountain Union Church Inc specifies the criteria for membership of the MMUC Inc. To qualify for membership, a person must be a representative of a group that has been conducting services in the Church building on a regular basis (being more than twice per month for more than 2 months or once a month for more than 3 months, per year) for at least one year. There had been no applications for membership of the MMUC Inc in the previous 2 years and indeed no one who fulfilled the membership criteria. Unfortunately, the recent interest and support of the community has come too late to be of any practical or meaningful use.

Why can't the Constitution simply be changed to enable new members to join and take over management of the Church?

At the relevant times, there was simply no group to approach to enquire whether it would take over the management of the Church. A change

in the Constitution could only have taken place prior to the appointment of the liquidator, and for the above reason this was simply not feasible.

Why was a liquidator appointed when the Church isn't actually insolvent?

The committee members had an obligation to ensure MMUC Inc remained solvent. With the Church having minimal use and patronage for some 5 years, there was little income generated yet the running costs (maintenance, insurance, pastoral fees and the like) remained at least the same. The committee members were largely funding Church expenses out of their own pockets. With consistently low attendance, there was no potential for the income to increase in the near future, so while the Church was not at the time insolvent it was heading that way, and were it not for the personal contributions of the committee members, the MMUC Inc. may well have become insolvent some time ago.

I heard that the Special Resolution to appoint the liquidator wasn't even validly passed?

The committee members sought legal advice before appointing the liquidator. The resolution to appoint the liquidator was valid because it was passed by three-quarters of the members, in accordance with the MMUC Inc. Constitution.

Where does the Constitution say that the members can sell the Church?

The Constitution provides at Part 1(3) (a) that the MMUC Inc can "manage, repair, let, improve, sell, mortgage or otherwise deal with control of the land, the building and the hall."

What will happen to the proceeds of the sale?

The amount that remains after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities (including sale costs and liquidator's fees) shall be transferred to another Christian organisation with similar charitable and educational purposes, which is not carried on for the profit or gain of its individual members. This is provided by clause 45 of the Constitution.

Past MMUC Committee

Mangrove Emergency Planning & Communications Committee Inc.

The MEPCC was established following the 1994 bush fires and based on recommendations made to the Royal Commission that followed.

Two actions carried out by the MEPCC were the installation of a radio based emergency communications network and the establishment of a telephone tree system as the most simple and efficient means of quickly reaching the residents in our area.

However over time the radio equipment has become outdated and fallen into disrepair and the telephone tree suffer from a major weakness in that during disasters the landline and mobile phone systems regularly fail.

It is proposed to apply for funding under the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grants scheme to establish a new UHF CB network to cover an area that includes Gunderman, Spencer, Mangrove Mountain, Kulnura, Somersby, Mt White, Ravensdale, Yarramalong, Wyong Creek, Dooralong, Jiliby and other areas nearby.

If you would like to be involved or want to find out more please send an email to mepccinc@gmail.com with your enquiry and contact details.

In the mean time the MEPCC invites interest from residents who would like to nominate for the following positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Officer and Committee Member.

MEPC Committee

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1st October 2021

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COUNCIL PLANS MORE PRICE INCREASES

Central Coast Council has endorsed the process for the preparation of the draft pricing proposal to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) for its water, sewerage and stormwater drainage prices from 1 July 2022.

IPART sets the maximum prices for Council's water, sewerage and stormwater drainage services. Council's pricing proposal has been developed and is now ready to submit to IPART for their review.

Administrator Rik Hart said that Council's current water, sewer and stormwater rates, which were significantly reduced by IPART in its 2019 determination, are not financially sustainable.

"I want to be upfront with the community about our pricing proposal. As it stands, the current pricing levels will see ratepayers having to subsidise the operations of the water, sewer and stormwater drainage businesses. But even worse, there will be insufficient funds to invest in maintenance and upgrades to ensure the community can be provided with a safe, clean and

reliable water supply as well as an effective sewer and drainage system that does not harm the environment," Mr Hart said.

"We are proposing to IPART that we increase our revenue for our water, sewer and stormwater services. We're suggesting we return our prices for these services similar to 2018-19 levels, with an allowance for subsequent inflation.

"By doing this, we can be prudent and efficient with our expenditure, and still deliver the needs that the community outlined during the consultation program we ran earlier this year.

"IPART will fully test our proposal and may make changes to what we have submitted."

Mr Hart added that Council is continuing to move forward in its financial recovery and also driving productivity gains.

"Over the relatively short period of the last six months, Council has significantly reduced its expenditure across the entire organisation in both materials and contracts and staffing numbers and their associated costs. There has been close to a 25% reduction in Council's gross weekly payroll due to the significant restructure of the organisation and particularly the reduction in the management staffing levels by around 35%.

"This has not resulted in the 25% reduction of services delivered to the

community.

"This is a straight productivity gain and the community are the ones who benefit from this," Mr Hart said.

Below is an outline of the timeline to follow for Council's pricing proposal:

September 2021: Council submits their pricing proposal.

September/October 2021: IPART will review the pricing proposal and make it public on their website. They will undertake a public consultation process, giving the community an opportunity to provide feedback – which is encouraged by Council.

October/November 2021: IPART will hold a public hearing with locations and times advertised in local newspapers, on IPART's website and via Council's communication channels.

March/April 2022: IPART will release a draft report and determination detailing proposed prices. The community has a further opportunity to respond to the draft reports by making submissions to IPART.

May 2022: Following consideration of submissions, IPART will release their final report and determination on prices that will come into effect on 1 July 2022.

Council will inform the community once the pricing proposal is made public on IPART's website in the coming weeks.

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Union Church Update

10th September 2021

The campaign to "Save the Mangrove Mountain Union Church" continues. We are working towards:-

- Preventing the sale of the Mangrove Mountain Union Church (MMUC).

- Stopping the winding-up of the MMUC Association by the Liquidator.

- Returning the MMUC Association to management by, and for the benefit of, our local community.

- Widening MMUC Association membership, thereby enabling more community involvement.

We have now covered our initial account for legal services up to and including lodgement of the Caveat over the Union Church land title. We are very grateful for the generous responses to our first financial appeal in order that this account could be settled. Our appreciation is also extended to those who have written/ emailed to the Liquidator requesting that he renounce his appointment.

Our plan from here on is to seek advice on the Briefing and Engagement of a Barrister. Our Solicitor has advised that the terms of the original Trust Deed for the Union Church do not support the sale of the

property. However, an action in the NSW Supreme Court maybe required to assert this position and will involve further significant expense.

We are now canvassing fundraising opportunities, but they are limited in the current Covid-19 lock-down environment. Continuing financial support for the "Save the Mangrove Mountain Church" campaign will be critical for the Church to remain a living and useful part of our community.

What can you do to help us?

1. If you would like to contribute financially to the campaign, donations can be made to the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group Inc at Bendigo Bank, BSB 633-000, A/c 185477965.

2. For anyone who would like to join the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group, we have membership application forms available. Joining fee is \$1 and annual fees are \$2. Please contact our Secretary by email to mmcgsecl@gmail.com.

3. You can also write/email a personal letter to the Liquidator Mr Barry Taylor, Restructuring & Risk Advisory, HLB Mann Judd, Level 19/207 Kent Street, SYDNEY NSW 2000 or by email to: btaylor@hlbnsw.com.au Please do not be offensive in any letter to the Liquidator. This will not help our cause and may only serve to harden his heart. The letters should be civil and courteous. They should highlight any personal links that you

have with the Union Church and how important it is to yourself and the local community that the Union Church continue to operate as it has done for the past 110 years. You could also say that there is strong community support and financial backing for the Church to continue operating and therefore you do not understand why the former committee chose to wind the Church up. A copy of your correspondence would be appreciated by either email to mmcgsecl@gmail.com or post to MMCG c/-6 Waratah Road, Mangrove Mountain NSW 2250.

Together we can prevent the loss of the Union Church. We can receive it back into our community. And we can keep it safe for our heirs and newcomers to our district as was intended by the first Union Church Trustees 110 years ago.

Robert Meggs (4376 1217)

On behalf of both the MMCG Inc and the MMUC Inc.

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This program is part of our ongoing work to reduce pest numbers and impacts on primary production and native wildlife in these areas.

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Please restrain all domestic pets and working dogs during this time. In the event of accidental poisoning of a domestic pet please seek immediate veterinary assistance. For further information please contact Greater Sydney Local Land Services on (02) 4724 2100.

Country Fair Animal Tales

We are not having a Fair this year, but I will continue with this series of Fair Tales to remind us all of the interesting times we have had and are sure to have again.

Have you ever ridden an elephant? I'm looking at a photo of Phil and me in Thailand riding an elephant, sitting in a rough seat with a bar across our

MEMORIES OF THE DISTRICT....

Like to know what made news in the District 42 years ago? How did the U10's soccer team fare? Check Community News issue 32 from October 1979

Which local stalwart was awarded an OAM in 1993? Check Community News issue 234 from June 1993

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laps so we couldn't slide out when the elephant went steeply downhill. It was an exciting ride but not scary, my confidence mostly coming from the experienced young man with us, riding the elephant's neck and making sure all was well.

We haven't been able to organise any elephant rides for the Country Fair, but we have had camels, which I thought were the next best exotic creatures for rides. Sometimes you get on a standing camel by going up some stairs and just hopping on. However my first Fair camel ride did not have that luxury. The camel knelt down, I climbed on, it stood up, and its owner led it around. I felt a long way from the ground but the anxiety only started when it was time to get off. The camel refused to kneel down. Maybe our Fair grounds were too prickly, maybe it had sore knees or was just grumpy or had a wicked sense of humour (since it was probably me who had suggested how fantastic camel rides would be). Anyway, I felt like I was stuck up there for ages, before it gave in, knelt down, let me off and that was the end of me and camels for a long time. Did you notice I mentioned in my last article about an animal running away from a Fair? Guess what it was? Yep, a young camel that took to the bush behind the reserve and enjoyed freedom for a few days before being recaptured.

From then on, the organisers decided to stick to horses, with shetlands at times and now some fine ponies (thank you Glenworth) for children to ride.

Instead, for something different, we decided to have animal races. We have watched chooks running around after a food truck, and pigs who sometimes had to be reminded which way to go. There was a lot of yelling encouragement and some grand race calling. Do you remember the



Piglet races are always a great hit!

guinea pig races, when John O'Toole made a special track just the right size?

More reminiscing next month from Sue Douglas

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The old Inn was constructed on the site of a petrol station, the owners, Mr and Mrs Felton had planted trees and developed a lovely garden and the restaurant became a hit with delicious food and fine wines.

Fears the new F3 tollway would cause a loss of clientele were unfounded as patrons from the northern parts of Sydney were now able to visit for romantic dinner.




CWA APRONS AND A BRIEF HISTORY

Mangrove Mountain CWA has been meeting by Zoom over the last few weeks. It is good to see each other's faces. This lockdown is hard for everyone but, we all agree we are lucky to be in lockdown with lovely gardens, plenty of handicrafts and

beautiful weather.

Late last year and earlier this year State Handicraft has been running a competition for branches to make four aprons by at least four members. Our members have been having fun making these aprons while socially distancing before our latest Lockdown. Here we have Catherine and Karen displaying just two of the aprons we have made. We entered them in the branch competition in March this year. We used the theme to celebrate our 100 year anniversary in 2022.





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A Bush Women's Conference was held in Sydney during the Royal Easter Show in 1922 and the CWA of NSW was born. The first branch was formed at Crookwell in the Southern Tablelands and membership spread to the North West Slopes and Plains then on to other places in the State.

The first project was for a Seaside Home to which women and children could escape from the summer heat of the inland and Keera House was opened at Dee Why in 1924. While families were there, they also took advantage of the availability of medical facilities such as doctors and dentists.

CWA of NSW was instrumental in establishing Baby Health Centres all over the State and the first of these was established in Moree in 1925. The first maternity hospital set up by members of the Association was opened in Hillston. It was a three bed ward and during the 10 years



CWA ladies modelling the aprons, COVID safely!

that it operated in the name of the Association 700 babies were born. Other hospitals soon followed this one and were eventually taken over by NSW State health authorities.

The first CWA Branch on Mangrove Mountain was formed in 1932 and run until 1975. Researching the history of this branch has been very interesting, as we look at many of the events on the mountain that CWA has been involved in. When the branch was formed in

1932 the members were fund raising to help support the Baby Health Clinic that was opened the same year in the Gosford rooms at Gosford station in Mann St. The baby health nurse was funded by the government, but, all other costs were raised by the CWA branches surrounding the area. Woy Woy rooms also became a Baby Health Clinic and also Terrigal rooms.

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Two men were arrested for allegedly making the drug ice and dealing in the proceeds of crime.

Police also seized chemicals and equipment used in drug manufacturing as well as bullet proof vests and tasers.

Police said that this drug lab could have been operating for many months, perhaps years.

This is the third drug raid in the district in the last four months, following the two cannabis raids at



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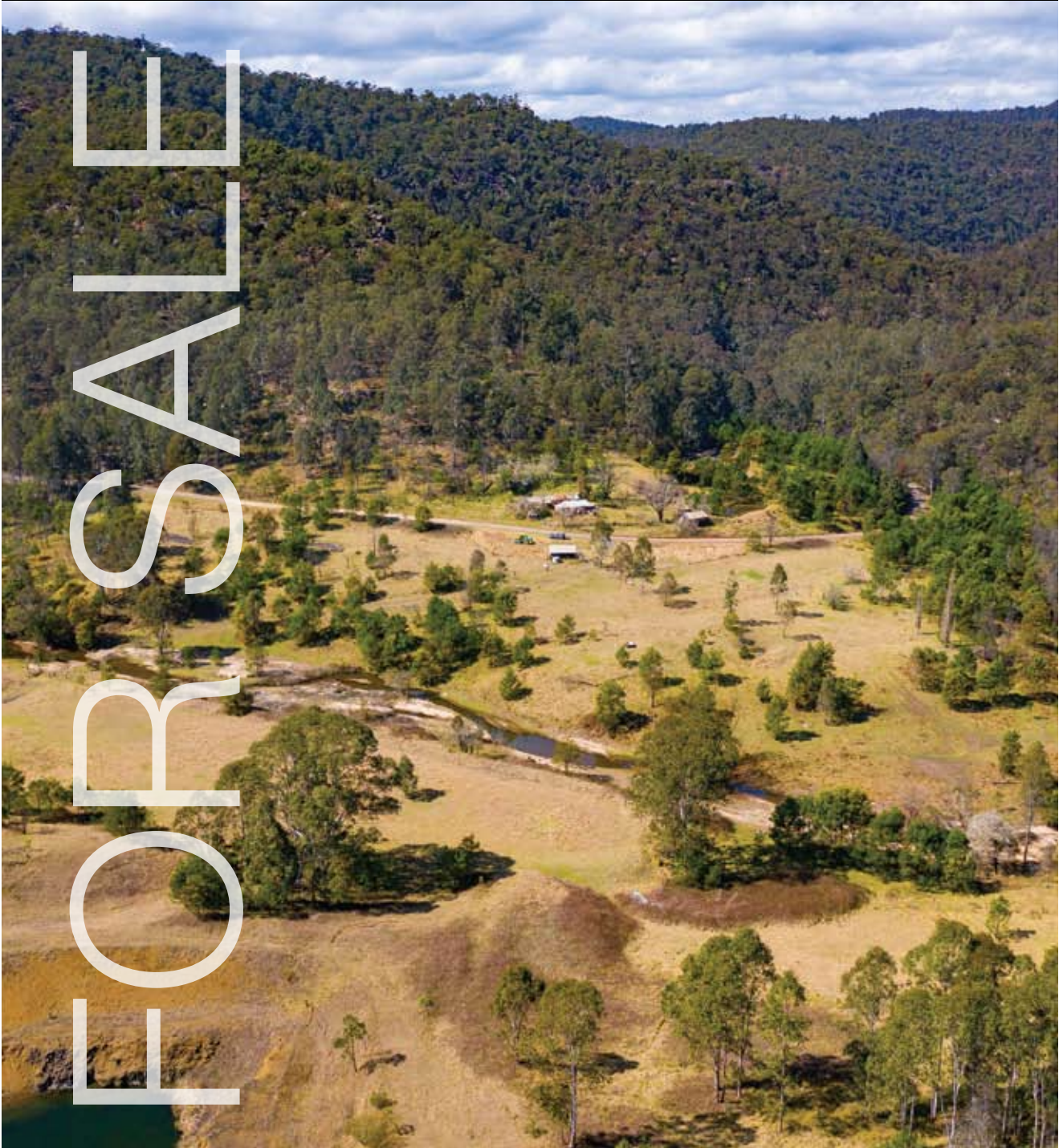
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Federal Minister for the Environment Sussan Ley said "This is about easing pressure on our environment and taking responsibility for our waste by recycling more materials, creating more jobs and driving economic investment".

Lucy Wicks MP, Liberal Member for Robertson said the new project at the Sulo facility in Somersby will recycle old kerbside bins and bottle caps back into mobile garbage bins, creating circular kerbside bins.

"The upgrades to moulding equipment at Sulo's Somersby facility means our region will be playing its



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part in transforming our recycling capacity," Ms Wicks said.

"This level of investment will help our region capture the economic value of waste, create markets for recycled materials and to create more jobs at a critical time."

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Lucy Wicks MP
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On the Graperine



Some sad news; Joy Cronk recently passed away after spending some time in a nursing home. Her husband Ken had passed away some time ago.

Both Joy and Ken were involved in the Upper Popran Creek Landcare group and were stalwart community members, much loved.

On a brighter note, Annabel, Tim & family have moved into the Cronk's

old property and with their kids attending the local children's centre, have sunk roots in the district. Tim and Annabel have an aborist and tree removal business "Tijano", we wish them well.

Margaret Pontifex is recovering in Gosford Hospital after multiple bypass heart surgery. Margaret had been moved to RNS hospital for the surgery and was moved back to Gosford after several days.

She is doing well and we wish her a quick recovery.

In May this year Mangrove Mountain RFB members Rob Carraro, Captain, 15 years service and Jimmy Greentree, Senior Deputy Captain, 26 years service, were awarded RFS long service medals.

Not to be forgotten, in 2019 Roger Wilson from the Kulnura Brigade was awarded the RFS Long Service Medal 4th Clasp. Roger joined the brigade in 1967 and is still active, so has now racked up 54 years of service.


Congratulations all round and a great example of committment to the community.




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Free Tafe Courses Online

Liesl Tesch MP, Member for Gosford is encouraging Coasties to use their free time in lockdown to upskill with the free TAFE courses offered online.

TAFENSW is offering a range of free courses that will be streamed online to eligible people, with the majority of

courses starting in August.

Ms Tesch says this is the perfect opportunity to gain skills and keep your mind active.

“Lockdown has been incredibly difficult and with many Coasties unable to work for almost seven weeks our schedules have definitely become less busy.”

“Here is an opportunity to upskill and be ready to present new skills to the workforce when you can get back into your job.”

“We are also always told to keep physically active for our mental health but it is also so important to keep our minds stimulated and growing in this time.”

The requirements include being an Australia citizen or resident aged 15 and over.

The courses are free to enrol in and can be started at any time, although this excludes the alcohol and other drug work course which starts on 16 August 2021.

Please note places are limited so get in quick for a fee-free online short course.

For more information head to <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/fee-free-short-courses>.

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*Media Release from the office of
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Hi, Jay Talbot here from TalbotPartners Real Estate – The Acreage Specialists.

Megan Neil has just published this article on realestate.co.au which highlights what’s happening to the real estate market amid COVID lockdown.

The latest REA Insights Housing

Market Indicators Report showed demand, based on the number of views per listing of properties for sale on realestate.com.au, hit an all-time high in August, ahead of a delayed spring selling season in locked-down markets.

The limited housing stock available for sale and prolonged COVID lockdowns in a number of states and territories have created difficult conditions for buyers, realestate.com.au director of economic research Cameron Kusher said.

“With lockdowns expected to continue in the ACT, NSW and Victoria, we may not see this demand pressure alleviated until seller confidence returns and the volume of new supply increases once lockdowns end,” Mr Kusher said. “This disconnect between the supply of stock for sale and buyer demand is likely to create upwards price pressures.”

Prices have increased rapidly during the pandemic with realestate.com.au data showing a 20.8% increase in national property prices over the 12 months to August.

New property listings have fallen nationally as the latest COVID outbreaks and lockdowns hit vendor confidence, with buyers scrambling to buy whatever they can as prices jump. Mr Kusher said the ongoing reduction in the volume of stock available for sale coupled with elevated search volumes resulted in record high interest from

COUNCIL LAUNCHES SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

With us all spending more time at home, trying to find things to keep young minds entertained and bodies

buyers in August.

“It is likely pent-up supply and demand will be released once lockdowns ease and the typical increase in new listings that comes with spring could help provide buyers with more choice and reduce some of the competition for individual properties,” he said. The surge in prices, the lack of stock for sale and latest lockdowns have not dampened buyer interest.

All these factors make it a great time to sell. If you would like to have a chat about your property, with a no obligation appraisal, please feel free to call me anytime on 0414 079 220 or email jay@talbotpartners.co

I look forward to the opportunity of catching up with you soon!

See you next month,

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- marsupial, crocodile, snake and lizard educational workshops
- storytime readings and more with StarFM
- tabletop games and trivia
- science experiments
- drawing and crafts
- Tie Dye or Slime and Skate Deck activity kits

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Monday, 20 September 2021 - 11:00am to 12:00pm

Let's get creative and learn something new these holidays! In this class you will learn how to perfect 3

simple cartoon drawings.

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Pre-register to receive the workshop link - best suited to ages 4-7 years.

Wake Me Up Morning Yoga - Online



- Monday, 20 September 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am
- Wednesday, 22 September 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am
- Friday, 24 September 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am
- Friday, 1 October 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am
- Monday, 27 September 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am
- Tuesday, 28 September 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am
- Thursday, 30 September 2021 - 10:00am to 10:45am

Start the day with some slow fun filled exercise with our professional yoga instructor.

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Click on the link and to pre-register your class from the available timetable. You will then be sent the class link.

#centralcoastY4Y Lockdown Challenge – Week 1



Monday, 20 September 2021 - 9:00am to Sunday, 26 September 2021 - 4:00pm

How you spend your days is how you spend your life.

Our Youth for Youth (Y4Y) invite you to step up to the lockdown challenge and spend your holidays being anything but boring.

Each weekday of the school holidays, Y4Y will post a small fun challenge on their Instagram that you can do during lockdown that day.

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Calga-Mt. White RFS	General meeting	3rd Monday of the month, 7.30pm at Pacific Hwy Fire Station Mt. White
Kulnura VBFB at Greta Rd Station	General meeting Training	1st Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm 3rd Wednesday of the month 7.00pm
Mangrove Mountain RFS Bloodtree Rd	General Meeting Training / Maintenance	Last Wednesday of the month, 7 pm, All Wednesday's except last of month, 7 pm
Spencer RFS	General Meeting Training Junior Training	2nd Monday of the month Meeting 6.30pm 3rd Monday Maintenance 6:30pm 4th Monday Training 6:30pm E: captain.spencer@ccrfs.org.au Alison Wade 0415 668953. 4778 Wisemans Ferry Rd
Somersby RFS	General Meeting Training/Maintenance	First Wed of the month 7.30pm at the Station Every Wed night 7.30 at the Station (except before Wed general meeting)
Yarramalong RFS	Training: Nights: Morning: Maintenance/Training : General Meeting (GM): Contact:	First Wednesday of month 7pm start Last Saturday of month 8.30am start 3rd Sunday of month 8.30am start 2nd Wed of even months 7.30pm start Ph: 0409 915060 or 0418 280 764 Email: yarramalongrfs@bigpond.com

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

Coastlink Friendship Group		Wed 9.30am-2pm at the Health Centre, Nurses Rd, Central Mangrove
Country Women's Association (Somersby)		Second Wed of each month, at Somersby Hall Wiseman's Ferry Road, Somersby, contact Sue, 43721280 or 0407768000.
Country Women's Association (Peats Ridge & District)		First Monday of the month at Community Hall, Peats Ridge School. Any enquiries please contact Christine 0419 400163.
Country Women's Association (Mangrove Mountain Evening Branch)		2nd Tues of the month at Mangrove Mountain Hall 2-4 Waratah Rd Mangrove Mtn. Start 5pm, meeting 7pm. Ph Judy 43771728
Gosford North Inner Wheel club		2nd Wed each month 7pm at Phillip House in Kariong. Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 486 760
Gosford World Vision Community Group		4th Tues 11am in Presbyterian Church, West Gosford Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 586 760.
Permaculture Central Coast		Third Tuesday (except Jan.) at Tuggerah Community Hall, ANZAC Rd, 6.30pm - 9pm
Kulnura & District Garden Club		Second Monday, 9.30 for 10am start. Jacqui Maxwell 0455364262 kulnuradge@gmail.com
Mangrove Mountain & Districts Community Group Meeting		1st Thurs of the Month, 8pm, Mangrove Mtn Hall. Danny Willmott 0407275653
Mangrove Emergency Planning Committee		Third Wednesday bi-monthly, Mangrove Hall. Contact: mepcinc@gmail.com
Mangrove Mountain Country Fair Committee Meeting		2nd Thur of month except Jan, 7:30pm, Union Church Hall. Pres- Shane 0417 436 529
Mangrove Mountain RSL Women's Auxiliary		Third Tuesday of the month, 2pm Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club New Members welcome. Secretary Keitha Coty 43771773
Mountain District Football Club Meeting		Second Tuesday of the Month 6.30pm at the Mangrove Memorial Club
River Cares for the Lower Hawkesbury River District		President Robyn Downham 0414248224 Email rivercaresinc@gmail.com
Rotary Club Meeting		Friday 7.15am at Phillip House. 43404529
Spencer Community Progress Group Inc		President Brad Maisey, Community Meetings, 4377 1167, spencercpg2@gmail.com
Spencer Community Ladies Social Club		Last Fri of month. 12.00 noon Spencer Community Centre, Jennifer Dayes 4377 1364 Articles to: spencercpg2@gmail.com
The Mountain Tuesday Social Tennis Group		Tue 9.30am-12.30pm, Kulnura Tennis Courts. Ph Glenys Palmer on 4374 1441 for enquiries.
Somersby Equestrian Club Club & Committee Meeting		Every 2nd month. Check website for further details. www.somersbyequestrianclub.org.au
Wisemans Ferry Community Men's Shed		Tues & Sat. 9am-5pm. Contact: Alan Hunt 4566 4626 or Adrian Acheson 0448 833 781
SPIRITUAL		
Anglican Service - Mountain Districts		Every Sun 8am at Peats Ridge Scout Hall, Sunday School during school terms
- Wollombi		2nd & 4th Sun 10am; Holy Eucharist at St John the Evangelist, Wollombi. 0481269 653
Mangrove Mountain Union Church, Christian Service		9.00am second, fourth and fifth Sundays. cnr Bloodtree Rd & Wisemans Ferry Rd
St Barnabas Non-denominational Service Yarramalong		3rd Sunday each month, 11.00am. (Easter & (Christmas Carols dates to be advised)
Divine Retreat Centre (Ph 04 6848 6782) 160 Hensons Road, Somersby www.divineretreatcentre.org.au		Daily Holy Mass 8.00am to 8.30 am 1st Fri, 5:30pm-8:30pm Divine Mercy Friday 1st Sat, 5.30pm-9:00pm, Divine Youth Ministry, Young Adults (18-35yrs) Last Sun, 9am-4pm, One Day Retreat

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MAITLAND CATTLE SALE REPORT

Maitland Liveweight Report - 30th August 2021

This sale saw a total of 400 head including 50 export cattle. There was a good run of lightweight weaners on offer.

Steers

- Weaner steers 200-280kgs 580 to 726c/kg, avg 688c/kg;
- Yearling steers 467 to 602c/kg;
- Weaner heifers up to 280kgs 540 to 658c/kg, avg 600c/kg;
- Yearling heifers 472 to 606c/kg;
- Grown steers 350 to 404c/kg;
- Grown heifers 330 to 380c/kg;
- Cows 290 to 370c/kg with most cows 320 to 350c/kg;
- Butcher vealers 520 to 560c/kg.

Highlights

- 7 quality grown Angus heifers 487kgs 496c/kg sold for \$2,420;
- A/c Crawford & Sons, 21 quality Angus weaners 204kgs 726c/kg sold for \$1,481;
- A/c J K Connor, 15 quality Charolais x steers 220kgs 702c/kg sold for \$1,540;
- Angus steers 400kgs 582c/kg sold for \$2,340;
- Top pen of bullocks returning \$2,907.

Maitland Liveweight Report - 6th September 2021

Total of 300 head at this sale. Quality and condition was down from last sale. Market trend saw export cattle +10c/kg, vealers firm to +5c/kg and restockers 5 to 12c/kg dearer.

- Best vealers 500 to 550c/kg;
- Restocker steers 180-280kgs 600 to 732c/kg, avg 670c/kg;
- Restocker steers 280-330kgs 520 to 654c/kg;
- Yearling steers +350kgs 490 to 600c/kg;
- Restocker heifers up to 180-280kgs 520 to 675c/kg, avg 610c/kg;
- Restocker heifers 280-330kgs 490 to 600c/kg, avg 550c/kg;
- Grown store steers/bullocks 330 to 390c/kg;
- Fat heavy steers 360 to 470c/kg; Cows 290 to 352c/kg.

Highlights

- Best butcher vealers off the cow

\$2,160;

- Euro yearlings up to \$2,200;
- Milk & 2 tooth prime Angus steers 480c/kg 532kgs sold for \$2,553.

Next Maitland Liveweight sale
- Monday 13th September 2021 -
Commencing at 9am

Next Gloucester Store Sale -
Thursday 16th September 2021 -
Commencing 11am

Next Maitland Store Sale - Saturday
18th September 2021 - Commencing
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Kariong Community Baptist Church	Sun @9.30am, Church & Kid's Program, Kariong Public School Hall, Chris Clarke email revcrc@hotmail.com
Catholic Service -Spencer	Holy Trinity Church, 2nd Sat of the month 4pm, Contact 43771374 or 43771168 as times may change each month.
- Wollombi	2nd & 5th Sunday of the month, 4.30pm Mass at St Michael the Archangel, Wollombi.
- Somersby	Every Sat. evening vigil - 5.30pm St. Francis of Assisi Centre, 30 Lutana Rd, Somersby.
- Yarramalong	1st Sunday each month, 11.15am St. Barnabas Catholic Mass All welcome. Enq 4356 1321

YOUTH

Junior Girl Guides 5-10	Kooree Guide Cabin, every Monday in school term, 5.00pm - 6.30pm
Girl Guides 10-15	Kooree Guide Cabin, every Monday in school term, 6.00pm-7.30pm
Scouts, Cubs & Venturers Peats Ridge Scout Hall	Cubs meet 6.30pm - 8.30pm Wednesdays Scouts meet 7.00pm - 9.00pm Tuesdays Venturers meet 7.00pm - 9.00pm Mondays Contact 0438 476 562
Mangrove Mountain Playgroup	Every Tues (except school holidays) 9am to 11.30am, Kooree Guide Cabin. Bec G, PH: 0421 996 029 Anne, PH: 0412 526 557 Email: becilmour@gmail.com

HISTORICAL

Brisbane Waters Historical Society	25-27 Henry Kendall St., West Gosford, Ph: 4325 2270. www.henrykendallcottage.org.au
Dharug & Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society Inc.	Last Sat of month. All welcome, contact Jan Kofron 0405321478 jankofron@optusnet.com.au
First Fleeters Central Coast Chapter	2nd Sat of the month, 10.00am for 10.30, Point Clare Hall (except Jan & Dec). Contact Jon 43116254 and Gavin 43404435.
The Pearl Beach Aboriginal History Group	3rd Fri each month 7.30pm Pearl Beach. Peggy 0411754577 pbaboriginalhistory@gmail.com
Wyong District Museum & Historical Society	Open Sun to Thurs. 10am-2pm, other times by appt. Contact 43521886 email info@alisonhomestead.com.au. website: www.alisonhomestead.com.au

ACTIVITY/HOBBY

Central Coast GNU/Linux Users Group	www.cclug.org.au - all most welcome
Coastal Communicators Toastmasters	1st & 3rd Thurs of month, 6:45pm to 8:45pm at Doyalson-Wyee RSL. Debbie 0421216952
Craft/scrapbooking	Yarramalong Hall 4th Sun. of the month 10am to 5.00pm cost \$12 per person ph 43561196

HALL BOOKINGS

Kulnura Hall	Hall bookings contact Annette Stackman 43561196 Committee mtg 3rd Thurs 7:00pm at Hall- Open to all from community.
Mangrove Mountain Hall	Hall bookings Ryan Howard 0405416289
Somersby Hall and Mountain Districts Culture and Heritage Centre	Hall Bookings: 0413 359 655 or AH 4373 1488
Yarramalong school of Arts / Hall	booking contact Annette Stackman 43561196

REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY

The Wollombi Valley Sculpture Festival 2021	CANCELLED 11 - 26 September 2021, Wollombi Village
Mangrove Mountain & Districts Country Fair	CANCELLED due to Covid 19 Saturday Oct 17th, Mangrove Hall and adjacent reserve. 9am - 3pm

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Nine aviation personnel from across the country have enhanced their capabilities and skills using the new aviation simulator located at the NSW RFS Training Academy in Dubbo.

The new simulator, which was announced in April, helps to expand NSW's specialist aviation personnel capacity and assist with addressing recommendation 10 from the NSW Bushfire Inquiry. The simulator provides the NSW RFS with the ability to safely train and develop skills in the field of aerial firefighting.

The NSW RFS is also building an Aviation Centre of Excellence at the Academy, which will further enhance their aviation training capabilities.

Personnel completed an Air Attack Supervisor (AAS) course at the Academy in June, where participants were required to undergo two sessions using the aviation simulator, with a further 16 trainees completing an Air Base Manager course at the same time.

Minister for Police and Emergency Services David Elliott said the

AAS course allowed participants to undertake basic firefighting air attack missions in a mock aircraft, enabling them to direct aircraft and practice communication skills.

"Highly trained NSW RFS aviation specialist instructors have been gearing up over the last few months to become proficient in the use of this simulator and as we've now seen, ready to train NSW emergency services personnel," Mr Elliott said.

"The devastating 201920 season saw aerial firefighting assets play a vital role in supporting our firefighters on the ground, and courses like this make sure NSW is as prepared as possible for this and fire seasons to come."

Further aviation focused programs and forums will be held at the NSW RFS Training Academy this year, with Air Base Operation and Aviation Communication programs to be held in other regions.

"The NSW Government remains committed to ensuring our hard working firefighters and support crew have the resources they need to keep our communities safe and work continues with Dubbo Regional Council to have the Aviation Centre of Excellence built and open in 2022," Mr Elliott said.

NSW RFS Commissioner Rob Rogers said the NSW RFS, a leader in aviation firefighting operations for more than twenty years, will continue to develop and support NSW and other

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"It's exciting to see the first cohort of trainees using the high-tech simulator and the positive feedback. We're continuing to work to improve the equipment and training for our volunteers and those who will use the Centre in future," Commissioner Rogers said.

"These programs expand the experience and skills of our highly trained personnel and further increases the protection of residents across the state, especially as we approach the next bush fire season.

"While our firefighters are undertaking important preparation for the upcoming season, I would also encourage all residents to do what they can to prepare themselves and their properties. Have the discussion about what you and your family will do in the event fire threatens you."

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