COMMUNITY NEWS

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Farewell 2021

2021 is now the second year that we have not been able to hold the Country Fair because of Covid. However this did not mean that the Country Fair Committee was idle. Ironically we were all gearing up to hold the Fair – booking infrastructure, lining up rides and talent, completing yet another DA, and raising chickens for the chicken races. Then Delta hit and life became difficult.

Initially we hoped that we could still hold it, but as the lockdown progressed and case numbers rose, we knew it was prudent to cancel.

However, Crystal Russom, our fabulous pro-active Secretary, almost single-handedly sought a multitude of prizes, and put together a terrific raffle that raised over \$3000.00 for the Country Fair. So after annual expenses, the Country Fair was able to make a slight profit without holding a Fair.

In light of this and her outstanding work all year, Shane Eastman awarded the 2021 President's Award to Crystal Russom, a choice that was unanimously supported by the whole committee.

Neil Genge was also awarded a special Certificate of Appreciation for his excellent work as Treasurer all year, another job that still entailed a lot of work even though we didn't even hold a Fair.

As previously decided. At the AGM we announced that we would still be able to fulfil grant requests for some of our local community groups out of some of our funds from previous years, due to the excellent management of our last 3 treasurers.

So we were able to give out a total of \$7,950.00 to the following local groups.

- \$100.00 to The Dharug & Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society to put towards a new ride-on mower;
- \$2000.00 to Central Mangrove Public School to update reading materials;
- \$1000.00 to Mountain Community Children's Centre to put towards 3 new tricycles;
- \$1000.00 to Mountain District Football Club to put towards a new PA system and line marking machine:
- \$750.00 to Peats Ridge Scouts to go towards purchasing light fittings for their hall;
- \$1000.00 to Somersby Public School to go towards a drink bottle refill station, and
- \$1200.00 to Mangrove Mountain Pony Club for a new PA system.

The committee agreed previously, as we are in the position to fulfil the grants in full, we are pleased to award each community group their requested funds, totalling \$7,950 back into our community.

Under the watchful eye of the Returning Officer, Rodger Wilson, the 2022 Mangrove Mountain & Districts Country Fair Committee was elected unopposed – Shane Eastman



CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES

Anglican Church

Peats Ridge Scout Hall – 153 George Downes Drive, Central Mangrove

Christmas Eve Carol Service at 6.30pm.

Christmas Day Traditional Service at 8am.

Baptist

Kariong Community Baptist Church at Philip House – 21 Old Mount Penang Road, Kariong

Christmas Eve Service at 7.30pm.

Catholic

St Francis of Assisi Centre - Lutana Road, Somersby

Christmas Eve Mass at 5pm.

Children are encouraged to come dressed as Angels and Shepherds.

Holy Trinity Church, Spencer

There will be no Christmas Day Mass at Spencer.

Greek Orthodox

St. Dionysios Church - 21 Nurses Road, Central Mangrove Christmas Day from 7am.

We all pray that you have a very Happy and Safe Christmas.

Information courtesy of Alyce Chin

(President), Steve Raines (Vice-President), Neil Genge (Treasurer), Crystal Russom (Secretary) and Ordinary Members Louisa Foxford, Christina Pirie and Jodie Swan. Congratulations to all.

So 2022, look out! We plan to have a fantastic Country Fair next October, raising money for local community groups. Stay tuned!

> Shane Eastman President

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ANGLICAN CHRISTMAS NEWS

We just had our Bible Study end of term/year party enjoyed at Noreen's home, and are eagerly looking forward to its return next year, so we can learn more from respectfully discussing interesting Bible topics with each other.

Our 6.30pm free, family Carols Service and supper at the Scout Hall (at 153 George Downes Drive) on Christmas Eve, Friday the 24th of December, is now organised (except for any new covid rules that we will adapt to), as are the 8am Christmas morning and the 8am Sunday Boxing Day services. We look forward to meeting you at one or more of these events and being able to personally pray for God's grace and blessings for you.

Our prayer group will continue over the Christmas break and if you would like any prayer requests (or have any enquiries) you can contact Rev Jim on 0407210861. Meanwhile, you can join us at our regular 8am Sunday church service of prayer, Bible readings and worship.

The collection of Christmas hamper food for the Samaritan Foundation in Gosford has been taken down and they asked us to thank the many kind and generous members of our church and the community that contributed to help make a happier Christmas for others.

We would also like to thank Keith at the "Community News" for the great support that he gives us all.

We pray that you will have a very blessed Christmas and your celebration of Christ's birth will be a joyous occasion.

Rev Jim Innes

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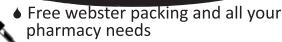
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UNION CHURCH UPDATE

10th December 2021

Still we cannot use the Union Church as it was intended by our forebears - those people who gave so much to their community and thereby established a legacy of great benefit for our community – what would they be thinking now?

The legal advice from the Senior Counsel was received last week and has confirmed our belief that the 1914 Trust Deed for the Union Church is the pre-eminent authority regarding what can be done with the property.

The advice is supported by both legislation and case law. It confirms that the Union Church property is held in trust for the Christian congregations and the community of Mangrove Mountain. The Barrister's advice also informs that the Union Church property is not an asset which the Liquidator has an existing authority to sell.

Our committee will now request the Liquidator to act in accordance with his duty as the Trustee of the Union Church property and immediately open it for use by local Christian congregation(s) and the Mangrove

Mountain community. Should the Liquidator deny our request, as a beneficiary of the Trust, we are advised to start legal proceedings that will assert our entitlement to use the Union Church property, and also to seek both damages and costs. This would likely require an action in the Supreme Court of NSW.

In the meantime, thank you to all who have contributed to our Save the Union Church Campaign. Especially we thank the FitzSimons family, and also "Singo" who has offered generous assistance to help return of the Mangrove Union Church to our community. Please continue with your support, letters to the Liquidator, and donations.

Our Sunday Christian services are continuing for the time being at the Mangrove Mountain Hall due to the persistent inclement weather. Our next service will be on Sunday 9th January. For a list of local Christmas services please see the "Christmas Service Guide" elsewhere in this Also, confirming that newsletter. our MMCG congregation will not be holding a Christmas Eve Carols service this year. We have deferred to the Mountain Anglicans carols service at the Scout Hall and encourage your support for that event.

Our Adult Christian Discussion

2021 Christmas Eve Community Christmas Carols At Mangrove Hall

Postphoned to next year

For 2021 a carols service will be held by the Mountain Anglicans at the Scout Hall

Group continues and will meet for the last time this year under the Union Church Gazebo on Monday 20th December from 5pm to 6.30pm. BYO chair and, if you want, a non-alcoholic refreshment.

Please help save the Union Church - see help suggestions elsewhere in this newsletter.

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THE WIND RETURNS TO SAILABILITY

Sailability Gosford is set to return to Brisbane Water this coming January after COVID-19 restrictions and lockdown put a pause to regular sailing sessions.

Member for Gosford, Ms Liesl Tesch MP has met with the President, Mr Randel La borde, and Treasurer, Jeremy Cooper, of Sailability Gosford to discuss the exciting opening plans and to encourage residents to get involved.

"Sailability is a terrific organisation that gives residents, young and old, living with physical or intellectual disabilities, a taste of what it's. The very first sailability started right here on the Central Coast, in Gosford, in 1995 and it's so pleasing to see this legacy continue." Ms Tesch said.

Participants will be coupled with an experienced partner, who will ensure maximum safety and that participants are seated during the whole experience. Sailability uses two-person sailboats which are steered with a joystick,



Sailability Treasurer, Jeremy Cooper, Liesl Tesch AM MP & Sailability President, Randel La borde

using sails controlled by accessible lines.

Sailability Gosford President, Mr Randel La borde, has encouraged community members to give sailing a go and get in touch.

"There are so many pleasures and benefits involved with sailing. Participants will increase their confidence, develop valuable skills, make new friends, feel the warmth of the sun, thrill of the water and become knowledgeable of the changing conditions on the water."

Treasurer, Mr Jeremy Cooper, has discussed the satisfaction participants experience by having a go at sailing.

"Many of our participants are denied an opportunity to be in control of a vehicle or other mode of transportation



Flood Rescue at St Albans

Hi All just an update on flooding around the valley as of this afternoon and associated events.

On Dec 10, St Alban locals heard the POLAIR helicopter flying in and out of the area. They were called in to air lift the Commons team of fencers from Rufftracks who were isolated by flood waters after last nights storms. They were isolated up Perry's

in their daily lives. Whilst out on the water and in command of a sailing boat, sailors gain a sense of autonomy and independence."

Sailability has expanded throughout NSW, all with their own unique focus influenced by the interests and needs of local participants.

Sailability Gosford is run out of Gosford Sailing Club and is an inclusive and safe space. For more information about getting involved visit www.sailabilitygosford.org or email info@sailabilitygosford.org

> Liesl Tesch MP Member for Gosford

Crossing. Their marquee which they were sleeping under was destroyed in the storm last night and they were drenched spending a cold wet night on the common between Jenny Brands and Claudia and James.

We we unable to to walk or drive out as all the creeks had risen over night...

Despite numerous attempts to contact or reach them this morning failed a decision was made to have notify SES come and get them out. Fortunately Bill from Wisemans Ferry Police was notified and help organise PolAir to do the extraction. All the guys were air lifted to the village this afternoon.

I would like to thank:

Colleen for attempting to contact the guys, the Common Trust for your support, the hers people for checking to see if there was any way to ride or cross Mogo to get to them, the SES for acting and staying in contact throughout the day and of course Bill from Wisemans Ferry Police for getting the helicopter and of course Dave from Rufftrack for all your contact and dealing with the families of the young persons and coming out to collect them with food and blankets. And Veronica for keeping in touch.

A big day but great to see they system worked when needed. A great joint effort.

Sherri Valley Happenings 10 December 2021

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR GLENYS PALMER

A Memorial Service for Glenys Palmer is to be held at Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club (downstairs) on Friday 7 January 2022 at 1.30pm.

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Alison Palmer

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We welcome your ideas and/or offers of support. Otherwise, you can help in the following ways: -

- 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. Join the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group. Joining fee is \$1 and annual fees are \$2. Please contact our Secretary by email to mmcgsecl@gmail.com for an application form.
- 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 be civil and courteous to the Liquidator.

Please highlight any personal links 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.

Also explain that there is strong community support and financial backing for the Church to continue operating and therefore it is hard to 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.

Robert Meggs, President (tel – 4376 1451) On behalf of the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group Inc.

KULNURA AND DISTRICTS GARDEN CLUB

Once again we had a very successful Zoom meeting in November thanks to Jacqui who gave a wonderful presentation on carnivorous plants – nature is so fascinating! We had our usual flower and veggie competition along with Show and Tell with some magnificent Spring flowers on show.

It was also our AGM and our Excecutive members Louise, Jacqui and Tony were elected unopposed and Karynne has joined the Committee. Karynne has kindly offered to write the report for the Community News in future so this will be my last one after many years!

Due to covid, it has been decided that we would not have our usual end of year function at Mangrove Golf Club, instead opting to hold an outdoor gathering at Ravensdale Retreat. This is a magnificent property 12 min from Yarramalong on Ravensdale Road and we will be utilising their undercover pavilion. Everyone is most welcome to join us but you must log in with their QR code and be vaccinated or have an exemption certificate. You will also need to let us know if you are coming at kulnuradgc@gmail.com We will be providing tea, coffee and

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This year, working extremely hard and again under the limitiations imposed by Covid19, the Country Fair Committee limited to an on-line raffle, persevered, managing to raise \$7,950, far short of the usual amount.

In contrast, in the fight to save the Mangrove Mountain Union Church, the community has so far incurred over \$30,000 in costs with much more expected to come.

Imagine if all this money had instead, been donated to the Community!!

cool drinks but you will need to bring a small plate to share along with your plate, mug and cutlery.

Our Club is one of the few which have held meetings during covid thanks to the IT skills of Jacqui and Louise in running Zoom meetingsthanks ladies! Our Membership has actually grown during covid!

We would like to wish you Compliments of the Season and look forward to resuming our normal meetings and outgoings next year!

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PEATS RIDGE & DISTRICT CWA

Notice is given of our AGM on the 17th January being held at a members home and any enquiries please do not hesitate to ring me.

Ok, a meeting was held on 6th December at my home with six ladies present and some of us entered in the cake competition with delicious Rich Fruit Cakes, Sultana Cakes, a Pudding and Shortbread Biscuits and what a wonderful effort especially for one member who is learning all about cooking cakes (yes thats what we do to members).

Our next meeting will be on 7th February at the P R community hall and then on the 21st February we are having a Cookery workshop where techniques will be taught to us by our Group Cooking Judges Amy (you may have seen her on The Cook Up tv show with Adam Liaw) and Judy. We will be shown on the perfect making of icings and applying on a cake (yes please i need to learn this) and much more about cake making -why oh why do cakes crack on top. There will be an entry fee of \$5 with delicious morning tea and if staying on please bring own lunch.

Our members would like to wish our Community a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HEALTHY SAFE NEW YEAR.

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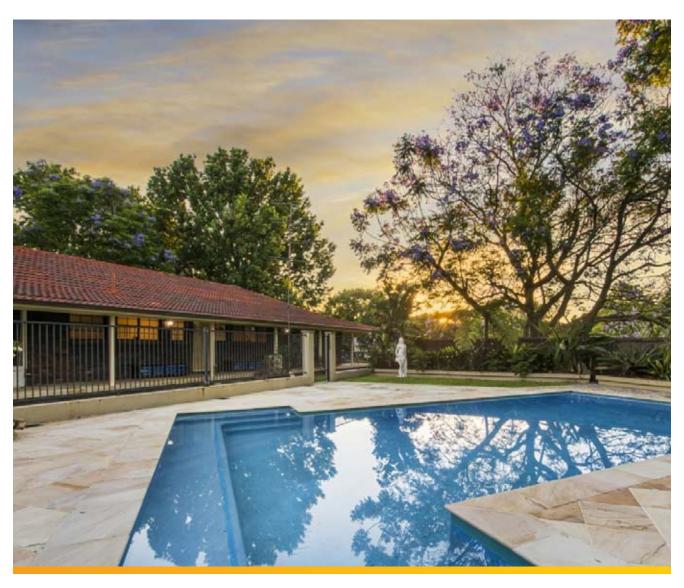
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Becoming a Tradition?

A little stretch along Wisemans Ferry road is once again host to a very nice Christmas display which is also lit up brightly at night. With neighbours also putting on a show, it has become somewhat of a tradition, maybe expanding even more next year!



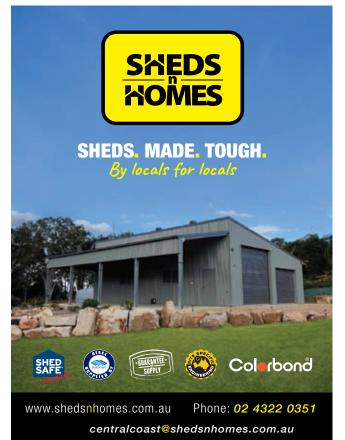


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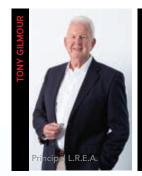
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Mountain Community Children's **Centre News**

Grand Opening Postponed until Sunday 27th February 2022

Our Grand Opening is Scheduled for Sunday 27th February 2022. This is an invitation to the whole community to come and view our new facilities.

Enrolments for 2022

We now have limited vacancies for 2022. Please feel free to give us a call if you would like more information for enrolment in January 2022 or in the future. Hannah our very friendly administration officer would be more than happy to post out an enrolment pack or organise a tour of the centre. We look forward to welcoming you to our centre.

Christmas Performance

The children enjoyed a very entertaining Pantomime "Santa of the



Never, Never." This had an Australian flavour with a variety of characters including Sam the Snake, The Jolly Swagman, Rockin' Cockatoo, Croc from Kakadu, and Flying Doctor Big Bottom. The children were invited up to the front to join in with the performance. The children participating by dancing, singing, and joining in with the actions. This was a great opportunity to be involved in live performances after many



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Centre Closure for Holidays

The centre will be closed from Monday 20th December to Tuesday 11th January while our Educators have a well-deserved rest after a challenging year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Mountain Community Children's Centre

We would like to wish the Community a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for supporting the centre throughout 2021. We are looking forward to a new year and celebrating our Grand Opening in

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Melissa Heagney from Domian recently published this article, the excerpt is worth a read:

House prices set to rise faster than wages next year even as property market slows and incomes pick up. First-home buyers will struggle to get into the housing market even as wages improve and house prices slow, because house prices are still set to grow faster than wages next year, economists warn. The grim prediction comes after weekly pay rose by 2.2 per cent nationally over the year to September and 0.6 per cent over the quarter, Australian Bureau of Statistics figures showed.

Over the same time, Australian capital city house prices boomed by a massive 21.9 per cent annually — and 3.5 per cent over the September quarter — to reach a national median of almost \$1 million, on Domain data. House prices skyrocketed even faster in Sydney, Canberra, Hobart and in some regional areas, by more than 30 per cent over the year.

ANZ senior economist Felicity Emmett said the widening gap between wages growth and house price rises had made it "extremely difficult" for those who did not already own property to get into the market. "First-home buyers

February. You are all very welcome to join us.

Until next time with news from the Children's Centre.

Louisa Foxford Director Mountain Community Children's Centre 2829 Wisemans Ferry Road Mangrove Mountain NSW 2250 Ph: 43741239

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need to save more than 80 per cent of their annual wages for a deposit at the moment ... even [cheaper rents] doesn't change how hard it is to get over the deposit hurdle," she said.

A slower pace of growth is likely because of affordability constraints, more homes being listed for sale, a rise in fixed mortgage rates and a recent move by the bank regulator to reduce maximum borrowing capacity slightly, the bank warned. Faster wage growth and an increase in the price of goods and services would be enough to see interest rates rise earlier than expected, Ms Emmett said.

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.talbot@wyong.rh.com.au. Alternatively. If you are in the area, please feel free to drop into our new office @ Shop 4,61 Howarth Street Wyong. (Just near the racecourse)

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

See you next month,

Jay



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Training Junior Training

General Meeting Somersby RFS Training/Maintenance

Yarramalong RFS Training: Nights: Morning: Maintenance/Training: General Meeting (GM): Contact:

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

Coastlink Friendship Group

Country Women's Association (Somersby)

Country Women's Association (Peats Ridge & District)

Country Women's Association (Mangrove Mountain Evening Branch)

Gosford North Inner Wheel club

Gosford World Vision Community Group

Permaculture Central Coast

Kulnura & District Garden Club

Mangrove Mountain & Districts Community Group Meeting Mangrove Emergency Planning Committee

Mangrove Mountain Country Fair Committee Meeting

Mangrove Mountain RSL Women's Auxiliary Third Tuesday of the month, 2pm Mangrove

Mountain District Football Club Meeting

River Cares for the Lower Hawkesbury River District

Rotary Club Meeting

Spencer Community Progress Group Inc

Spencer Community Ladies Social Club

Newsletter

The Mountain Tuesday Social Tennis Group

Somersby Equestrian Club Club & Committee Meeting Wisemans Ferry Community Men's Shed

SPIRITUAL

Anglican Service - Mountain Districts

- Wollombi

Mangrove Mountain Union Church, Christian Service

St Barnabas Non-denominational Service Yarramalong

Divine Retreat Centre (Ph 04 6848 6782) 160 Hensons Road, Somersby www.divineretreatcentre.org.au

3rd Sat, 9am-12 pm, breakfast 8.30am Every Thurs as required, generally 10am-1pm 3rd Sat in even months, at 1pm, All welcome buckettyrfb@gmail.com (02) 4998 8130

3rd Monday of the month, 7.30pm at Pacific Hwy Fire Station Mt. White

1st Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm 3rd Wednesday of the month 7.00pm Last Wednesday of the month, 7 pm, All Wednesday's except last of month, 7 pm 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 First Wed of the month 7.30pm at the Station Every Wed night 7.30 at the Station (except before Wed general meeting)

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

Wed 9.30am-2pm at the Health Centre, Nurses Rd, Central Mangrove

Second Wed of each month, at Somersby Hall Wiseman's Ferry Road, Somersby, contact Sue, 43721280 or 0407768000.

First Monday of the month at Community Hall, Peats Ridge School. Any enquiries please contact Christine 0419 400163.

2nd Tues of the month at Mangrove Mountain Hall 2-4 Waratah Rd Mangrove Mtn. Start 5pm, meeting 7pm. Ph Judy 43771728

2nd Wed each month 7pm at Phillip House in Kariong. Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 486 760 4th Tues 11am in Presbyterian Church, West Gosford Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 586 760.

Third Tuesday (except Jan.) at Tuggerah CommunityHall, ANZAC Rd, 6.30pm - 9pm Second Monday, 9.30 for 10am start. Jacqui Maxwell 0455364262 kulnuradgc@gmail.com 1st Thurs of the Month, 8pm, Mangrove Mtn Hall. Danny Willmott 0407275653

Third Wednesday bi-monthly, Mangrove Hall. Contact: mepccinc@gmail.com

2nd Thur of month except Jan, 7:30pm, Union Church Hall. Pres- Shane 0417 436 529

Mountain Memorial Club New Members welcome. Secretary Keitha Coty 43771773 Second Tuesday of the Month 6.30pm at the Mangrove Memorial Club

President Robyn Downham 0414248224 Email rivercaresinc@gmail.com

Friday 7.15am at Phillip House. 43404529 President Brad Maisey, Community Meetings, 4377 1167, spencercpg2@gmail.com

Last Fri of month. 12.00 noon Spencer Community Centre, Jennifer Dayes 4377 1364 Articles to: spencercpg2@gmail.com

Tue 9.30am-12.30pm, Kulnura Tennis Courts. Enquiries: Alison Palmer 0427731548.

Every 2nd month. Check website for further details.www.somersbyequestrianclub.org.au Tues & Sat, 9am-5pm. Contact: Alan Hunt 4566 4626 or Adrian Acheson 0448 833 781

Every Sun 8am at Peats Ridge Scout Hall, Sunday School during school terms 2nd & 4th Sun 10am; Holy Eucharist at St John the Evangelist, Wollombi. 0481269 653 9.00am second and fourth Sundays. cnr Bloodtree Rd & Wisemans Ferry Rd

3rd Sunday each month, 11.00am. (Easter & (Christmas Carols dates to be advised)

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

Gloucester Store Sale Report - 9th December 2021

Total yarding of 650 head of cattle. Quality and condition was mixed with good runs of Angus steer weaners on offer. All dear across the board with the steer weaners up \$100/head. Buyers coming from Upper Hunter, Nowendoc, Walcha, Coonamble, Wingham and strong support from the local area.

Steers:

- Weaners: 300 head; 3mths -12mths; \$1,650 to \$2,350; Avg \$2,100; Trend +\$100; Top \$2,350
- · Yearlings: 50 head; 12mths -18mths; \$1,900 to \$2,400; Avg \$2,200; Trend +\$50; Top \$2,400
- Grown: 30 head: 18mths 3vrs: \$2,000 to \$2,600; Avg \$2,250; Trend firm; Top \$2,600

Heifers:

- Weaners: 150 head; 3mths -12mths; \$1,500 to \$2,100; Avg \$1,800; Trend +\$75; Top \$2,100
- Unjoined: 50 head; 12mths -18mths; \$1,800 to \$2,600; Avg \$2,000; Trend +\$40; Top \$2,600

Cows:

Cows & Calves: 50 head; 3yrs -10yrs; \$2,500 to \$4,400; Avg \$3,400; Trend +\$50; Top \$4,400

Highlights: A/c Cenrim Agribusiness, 'Highlands Station' sold a run of Angus steers straight off the cow. Topping the sale at \$2,350 to Philip Greenwood of Craven; A/c T & J Tregent, Bulliac sold a run of Angus weaners. Steers topping at \$2,300 and the heifer portion going for \$1,875.

Maitland Liveweight Sale Report -6th December 2021

Total varding of 550 cattle made up of 400 yealers and 150 export cattle.

- Restocker steers 200-280kgs 620 to 940c/kg, avg 705c/kg;
- Restocker steers +280kgs 480 to 745c/kg, avg 655c/kg;
- Restocker heifers 200-280kgs 600 to 805c/kg, avg 645c/kg;
- Restocker heifers +280kgs 450 to 625c/kg;
- Butcher vealers 540 to 605c/kg;
- Milk & 2 tooth steers 450 to 528c/
- Restocking bullocks 438 to 462c/ kg:
- Prime bullocks 420 to 454c/kg;

- Cows 295 to 380c/kg;
- Bulls to 350c/kg.

Highlights: Best yearling steers returning \$2,727; Best pen yearling heifers \$2,375; Angus restocking steers 740c/kg, 285kgs \$2,109; Best pen of Hereford bullocks 438c/kg, 719kgs \$3,150.

Maitland Liveweight Sale Report – 29th November 2021

There was a yarding of 150 head this sale. Numbers were down due to the wet weather. Overall quality and condition of the yarding was very good. Some of the regular buyers were not present however, the market was still firm.

- Best butcher vealer 530 to 590c/kg, 5-10c better;
- Restocker steers 200-280kgs 620 to 760c/kg, avg 710c/kg;
- Restocker steers 280-330kgs 540 to 700c/kg, avg 640c/kg;
- Restocker steers +330kgs 550 to 680c/kg, avg 615c/kg;
- Restocker heifers up to 280kgs 598 to 684c/kg;
- Restocker heifers 280-330kgs 520 to 640c/kg;
- Restocker heifers +330kgs 510 to 570c/kg; No export to quote.

Next Gloucester Store sale Thursday, 6th January 2022 at 11am

Next Maitland Store sale - Saturday, 18th December at 12pm

A friendly reminder that we are often in the area seeing clients and looking at their livestock and if you would like us to call in be sure to give us a call.

Keep up to date with bowelidbury.

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REGULAR ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS (cont'd)

Kariong Community Baptist Church

Catholic Service -Spencer

- Wollombi
- Somersby
- Yarramalong

YOUTH

Junior Girl Guides 5-10

Girl Guides 10-15

Scouts, Cubs & Venturers Peats Ridge Scout Hall

Mangrove Mountain Playgroup

HISTORICAL

Brisbane Waters Historical Society

Dharug &Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society Inc. First Fleeters Central Coast Chapter

The Pearl Beach Aboriginal History Group

Wyong District Museum & Historical Society

ACTIVITY/HOBBY

Central Coast GNU/Linux Users Group Coastal Communicators Toastmasters

Craft/scrapbooking

HALL BOOKINGS

Kulnura Hall

Mangrove Mountain Hall Somersby Hall and Mountain Districts Culture and Heritage Centre Yarramalong school of Arts / Hall

2nd & 4th Sun. of the month. 10 am, followed by luncheon, tea, coffee, cakes (cost \$15). George Downes Drive, Peats Ridge Sun @9.30am, Church & Kid's Program, Kariong Public School Hall, Chris Clarke email reverc@hotmail.com

Holy Trinty Church, 2nd Sat of the month 4pm, Contact 43771374 or 43771168 as times

4pm, Contact 43//13/4 or 43//1100 as unies may change each month.
2nd & 5th Sunday of the month, 4.30pm Mass at St Michael the Archangel, Wollombi.
Every Sat. evening vigil – 5.30pm St. Francis of Assisi Centre, 30 Lutana Rd, Somersby.
1st Sunday each month, 11.15am St. Barnabas Catholic Mass All welcome. Enq 4356 1321

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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

Every Tues (except school holidays) 9am to 11.30am, Kooree Guide Cabin. Bec G, PH: 0421 996 029 Anne, PH: 0412 526 557 Email: becgilmour@gmail.com

25-27 Henry Kendall St., West Gosford, Ph: 4325 2270. www.henrykendallcottage.org.au Last Sat of month. All welcome, contact Jan Kofron 0405321478 jankofron@optusnet.com.au 2nd Sat of the month, 10.00am for 10.30, Point Clare Hall (except Jan & Dec). Contact Jon 43116254 and Gavin 43404435.

3rd Fri each month 7.30pm Pearl Beach. Peggy 0411754577 pbaboriginalhistory@gmail.com

Open Sun to Thurs, 10am-2pm, other times by appt. Contact 43521886 email info@ alisonhomestead.com.au. website: www. alisonhomestead.com.au

www.cclug.org.au - all most welcome 1st & 3rd Thurs of month, 6:45pm to 8:45pm at Doyalson-Wyee RSL. Debbie 0421216952 Yarramalong Hall 4th Sun. of the month 10am to 5.00pm cost \$12 per person ph 43561196

Hall bookings contact Annette Stackman 43561196 Committee mtg 3rd Thurs 7:00pm at Hall- Open to all from community. Hall bookings Ryan Howard 0405416289 Hall Bookings: 0413 359 655 or AH 4373 1488

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Mountain Children's Community Centre

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Council customer service centres reopen with a new Gosford location from 1 Dec 2021

Central Coast Council will reopen face-to-face customer service at Wyong and Gosford locations from 1 December and The Entrance Visitor Information Centre from 2 December. This will include the relocation of the Gosford customer service centre to 91-99 Mann Street.

Council Director Corporate Affairs and Chief Financial Officer, Natalia Cowley said it is pleasing to open up the remaining face-to-face customer service locations following a period of closure in compliance with the public health orders in place for COVID-19.

"Our Customer Service Centre has operated virtually without interruption inservicing since pandemic restrictions were put in place," Ms Cowley said.

"We have relocated to a new shopfront in Gosford, as the Gosford Administration Building will be sold as part of Council's financial recovery plan.

"The new storefront is conveniently located less than 140 metres from its previous location and will include two easily accessible self-service desks along with face-to-face support for

our customers

Council Administrator, Rik Hart said Council remains committed to having a customer service presence in Gosford.

"The relocation of the Gosford Customer Service Centre ensures we still have presence within the Gosford area, whilst also servicing other customer service points across the Coast. I am pleased to see the community return to these locations and be able to receive face-to-face support once again."

Furthermore, customers who wish to speak to a Duty Planner can do so by appointment only, with our centres reopening if customers are seeking a face-to-face appointment they can do so at the following times and locations from 1 December 2021:

- Gosford Shopfront, 91-99
 Mann Street Gosford duty
 planner appointments: Monday,
 Wednesday and Friday, 10am to
 1pm
- Wyong Customer Service Centre, 2
 Hely Street Wyong duty planner
 appointments: Tuesday and
 Thursday, 10am to 1pm

Customers can make an appointment to see a Duty Planner by contacting council on 1300 463 954 or in person at the Gosford Shopfront or Wyong Customer Service Centre only. We highly recommend calling first as this service is regularly booked out. A new

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booking system will be implemented by Council in 2022, to assist customers in making their own appointments, conveniently.

Both the Customer Service Centre at 2 Hely St, Wyong and 91-99 Mann St, Gosford will be open from 8.30am-5pm, Monday to Friday.

The Entrance Visitor Information Centre located at the Memorial Park, The Entrance will be open Thursday and Friday from 9.30am – 4.30pm

Customers can contact Council with enquiries, requests, reporting issues or formal feedback through our online Customer Service Centre 24/7 at centralcoast.nsw.gov.au or by calling our Customer Service Team on 1300 463 954 during business hours.

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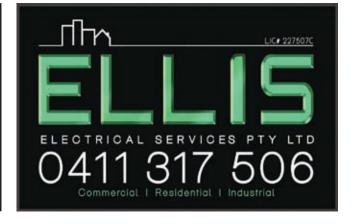
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