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MANGROVE MOUNTAIN UNION CHURCH 1 YEAR ON

In the April 2nd 2021 (Good Friday) issue of the Mangrove Mountain & Districts Community News, the former Committee placed a notice informing the community of the intention to sell the all the church property.

This was a bombshell that ever since, has been the ongoing source of much anguish and sadness but the community rallied to block the sale, raise over \$40,000 and continue strong support for the church and for it's retention for use by the community.

After the initial notice, the former committee held a public meeting on April 9, 2021 to explain their decision.

The community packed the church hall and were stunned and dismayed at the reasons given for the planned sale and the complete disregard for the communities offers to manage, fund and maintain the church.

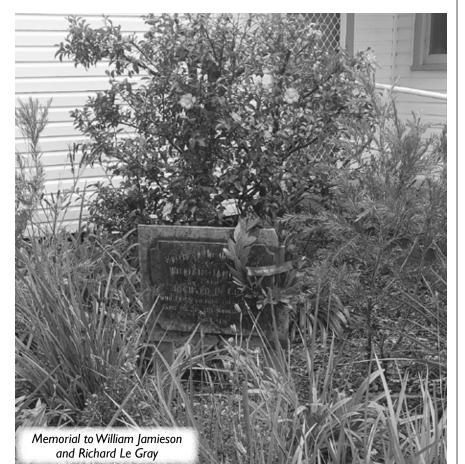
A turning point came when the original 1914 Trust Deed was obtained and specialist legal advice confirmed that the Trust did not provide for the

sale of the church and any attempt to do so would require the intervention of the NSW Supreme Court.

In response to enquiries, the NSW Dept of Fair Trading informed that the committee of an Incorporated Association could work within the Incorporated Associations Act to make any changes to the committee they felt was necessary, including appointing new members. So as the community had requested, the MMUC committee could have been changed and new persons appointed, persons willing to carry on with looking after the church.

So, as another ANZAC day passes, the church which is also a registered war memorial, was left unused save for a small group that placed a wreath on a plaque that remembers the sacrifices of two local soldiers.

Note that this plaque had lain on the ground, obscured by bushes until recently mounted on a frame by a volunteer from the local community. *Keith Aranjo*



Mangrove Mountain Landfill Court case

Many of you would be aware that the Land and Environment Court case between Verde Terra Pty Ltd and Central Coast Council / EPA has recently been determined.

This court case was very complex, commencing 28/10/2019 and completing 18/11/2020. Not only was the hearing spread over 12 months, it took the judge over 16 months to write up her judgement. The judgement is 136 pages in length.

Initially, we were extremely disappointed to hear that Verde Terra had won. Judge Pepper declaring that the waste operator may lawfully carry out the works that were outlined in the court order of 2014.

But....

A key issue clearly identifies that the operations at MML were for the sole purpose of establishing a regional waste facility rather than remodelling of the golf course.

Verde Terra must now apply to Council for a new DA (including an EIS) to be able to continue using the site as a regional waste facility.

Any new DA will have to meet the new guidelines for solid waste landfills that were introduced in 2016.

Central Court Council has to pay court costs. We have faith that the Council will do the right thing and demand a new DA...not make a deal with Verde Terra to avoid paying court costs.

We ask that you write to the administrator, Rik Hart and the CEO David Farmer and demand that Council asks for a new DA:

<u>theadministrator@centralcoast.nsw.</u> <u>gov.au</u>

Mountain Districts Association



Spencer and Gunderman are finally on the map!

have the Not only ravaged communities of the Lower Hawkesbury struggled to recover from the devastating floods of recent weeks, Spencer and Gunderman have had to face another hurdle - to fight to be eligible for the 'Back Home' flood grants. The announcement in early April of cash grants up to \$20,000 to flood-affected residents in 8 LGAs; 7 in the Ballina-Lismore region and one in the Hawkesbury LGA excluded the Spencer and Gunderman communities in the Central Coast LGA. Same flood, same river but the wrong side of the Hawkesbury River.

Both communities were outraged and frustrated that once again the Lower Hawkesbury River region had been forgotten and excluded from Government financial assistance during a major weather event.

It took 3 weeks of persistent lobbying not only from River Cares and Liesl Tesch MP but also by the Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Adam Crouch MP. On Thursday 21st April, the office of Adam Crouch contacted the River Cares President to announce that two additional communities have been considered for the 'Back Home' flood grant - wait for it, Bucketty and Wisemans Ferry. The President of River Cares was livid and so was the Parliamentary Secretary! That night Adam Crouch MP went back into battle meeting with the Premier Dominic Perrottet and the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, Steph Cooke. Adam Crouch MP was successful and it was announced the following day that Spencer and Gunderman are now eligible for the 'Back Home' grant funding.

This means that there are at least



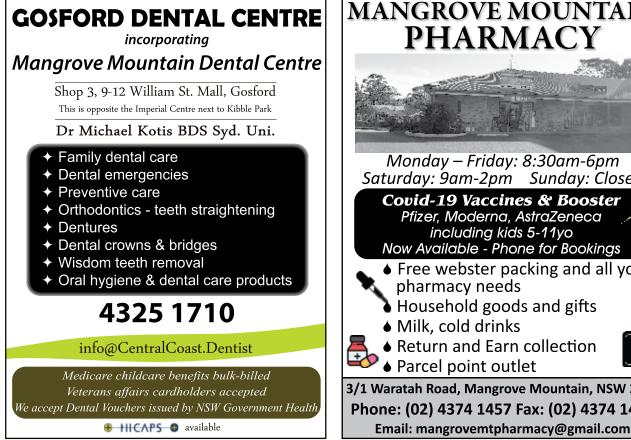
Flooding at Cohens Creek

20 households who can now have the financial means to repair structural damage to their properties such as replacing collapsed roofs and addressing other issues that were not acknowledged by the insurance companies.

For too long the Lower Hawkesbury River District has been forgotten, excluded, abandoned and dismissed by all three levels of Government due to the small population in this region. In the past, the communities along the Lower Hawkesbury River have been left to fend for themselves. For the first time during the March 2021 floods and in particular the recent weather event in March it was overwhelming how much support Spencer and Gunderman received. The boots on the ground throughout the entire month was phenomenal. DFES even brought over a taskforce from WA to organise all the services, including the army and airforce to help with the clean up!

On behalf of the Spencer and Gunderman communities I would like to thank Adam Crouch MP for his indomitable perseverance and determination to achieve this wonderful outcome.

> Robyn Downham President **River Cares**



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ANGLICAN NEWS

Despite the wet weather, we have had a very busy few weeks.

Starting with Palm Sunday, Phil supplied us with fresh green palm fronds, both to decorate our church, and for Lori to make each of us a palm cross - specially constructed using only one strand of a frond.

These were blessed during the service. A special thanks to both Lori and Phil.

Next came the special day of Good Friday. After this service, The Rev Jim heated up some hot cross buns and also supplied some crucifix orchid plants for everyone, to help us to remember the Easter sacrifice.

Easter Sunday of course we celebrated the risen Christ and had the choice of many chocolate eggs, which have been said to represent the beginning of a new life or covenant.

Some of us attended the local ANZAC service up at the club on Sunday the 24th and as usual they did a terrific job, even keeping the showers of rain away.

We hope you will come along and join us at one of our Sunday services which start at 8am at Peat's Ridge

Notice of Ongoing 1080 Baiting Program

NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) is conducting ongoing aerial and ground baiting programs using meat baits, meat bait products and canid pest ejectors containing 1080 (sodium fluroacetate) poison for the control of wild dogs and foxes.

Aerial Baiting Program: Monday 9th May 2022 – Friday 20th May 2022

1080 poison baits will be delivered aerially from a fixed wing/rotary aircraft in the following reserves: Dharug National Park (NP), Manobalai Nature Reserve, Parr State Conservation Area (SCA), Wollemi NP, Wollemi SCA and Yengo NP.

Ongoing Ground Baiting Program: Monday 9th May 2022 to Wednesday 9th November 2022.

1080 poison baits will be delivered on the ground in the following reserves: Dharug National Park (NP), Manobalai Nature Reserve, Parr State Conservation Area (SCA), Wollemi NP, Wollemi SCA and Yengo NP.

The program is designed to minimise predator impacts on wildlife, especially threatened species, and to minimise impact of wild dogs on neighbouring stock.

Signs will be placed at the entry to the baiting location. Domestic pets are not permitted in NSW National Parks managed lands. Pets and working dogs may be affected (1080 is lethal to cats and dogs). Pets and working dogs must be restrained or muzzled in the vicinity and must not enter the baiting location. In the event of accidental poisoning seek immediate veterinary assistance.

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Farm gates to open for Harvest Festival 2022

Foodies, families and fun-seekers will flock to the Central Coast hinterland over the June long weekend for the return of one of Council's most anticipated annual events, Harvest Festival.

A celebration of the Central Coast's spectacular hinterland, Harvest Festival 2022 will offer a wide range of unique events and experiences across thirty event hubs over 11 and 12 June.

Council Director Community and Recreation Services, Melanie Smith said the festival is an opportunity to recognise our region's outstanding local produce and producers.

"This is a rare chance to take a glimpse behind the farm gate as you explore rural farming communities and their picturesque heritage villages right here on the Coast," Ms Smith said.

"Follow the Harvest Festival event trail to visit local farms, sample local produce, soak up live music and entertainment or join in a range of family-friendly activities designed to show off the unique charm of our region's hinterland.



"From paddock to plate dining experiences and wine tastings to produce picking, hands-on workshops and much more, the two-day program truly offers something for every taste and interest.

"This year, a number of event hubs are offering the opportunity to prebook experiences in advance, so be sure to check out the event program early to ensure you don't miss out."

Council Administrator, Rik Hart said Council is proud to be delivering this much-loved event again in 2022, which attracts visitors from across the Coast and beyond to the region's hinterland communities.

"One of the Coast's most popular events amongst locals and visitors alike, Harvest Festival builds local pride, celebrates sustainability and boosts the local economy," Mr Hart said.

"Previous events have attracted over 48,000 visitors, providing the Central Coast economy with an \$8 million boost and this year's event is anticipated to deliver similar returns to our community.

"This much-loved event is supported by the NSW Government through its tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW, and contributes to the continued growth and development of the Central Coast."

Harvest Festival Central Coast is supported by Destination NSW's Regional Flagship Events Program and will run from 11 - 12 June 2022.

To see the full calendar of events and pre-book your Harvest Festival experience, go to our Harvest Festival dedicated webpage.

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MANGROVE MOUNTAIN COUNTRY FAIR 2022

CONTEMPORARY ART PRIZE

Our Country Fair will be held on Saturday, 15th October

The Country Fair isn't for another six months, but I know that good art needs time.....so I am letting you know what the theme is for this year. Think about it and enter!!

The theme for this year's Contemporary Art Prize is:-

"HEAL"

This category that is linked to a set theme is growing each year, and we are always thrilled with the quality of the entries.

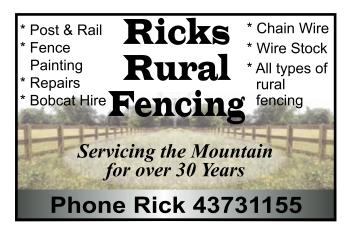
Entries can be any medium and we encourage diversity. Our sculptural entries have been very interesting. I look forward to our first digital or film responses!

We know that there are many local artists producing work of high standard and we encourage all of you to enter this prize to showcase our area!

Entry is free and the winner will receive a cash prize of \$200 in addition to the honour of the award.

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Ssaiah 5.20 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

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What is sovereignty?

By definition the word sovereignty means "supreme power or authority" or "self-governance". This means that a sovereign being is a man or woman who is their own leader, as is every other person on the planet. A group of sovereign beings is a collaborative group that independently create their own self-governance under the guidance of natural law (aka universal law).

Sovereign beings determine how they live their lives and do not have a reliance on external systems or higher-up authorities like our current governments in order to provide for their basic needs. Classic examples of sovereign groups or nations would be native tribes and communities such as the Amish. It is the people themselves who manage their own systems according to their local climate, geography, survival needs and cultural/ spiritual beliefs. (That's if they are left in peace to do so.) Of course, there can also be interdependence between such communities regarding trades of goods and services.

With sovereignty also comes responsibility and accountability for one's thoughts, words (spoken and written), beliefs and actions. For convenience I will group these into spiritual, emotional and physical.

Spiritual responsibilities could include following your own inner guidance/wisdom (intuition) instead of giving your power away to other entities/groups to guide you. In other words, are YOU in control of your destiny, or are you letting others do it for you, eg. governments of all levels, health authorities, celebrities, school teachers, church leaders, parents/ siblings, partners, children or friends? Do you ever question authority? Do you ever partake in your own research and come to your own conclusions? Does your existence depend on the function of external systems around you (including financial)?

Emotional responsibilities could include the way you treat others ("do as you would do unto yourself") and choosing to refrain from reacting out of a negative mindset, "sleeping on it" and responding from a more positive mindset at a later time. Another one is whether you are reacting due to unhealed wounds (called triggers) within yourself or blaming the other person as if it is their fault. This is called victim-blaming. And lastly but not least is whether you are projecting your own fears and insecurities onto others rather than doing the "soul searching" to understand why you feel the way you do, and taking action to work on this aspect of yourself than to take it out on others. Assertiveness techniques are also valuable (stating your needs whilst respecting the other).

Physical responsibilities could include having an understanding of what toxins are in your environment, food (GMO's) and water, and ways to avoid being affected by these (and to detox from such), including animals under your care. It includes replacing toxic cleaning agents with alternative non-toxic agents like vinegars and bicarb soda. Another would be protecting against EMF's (electromagnetic frequencies) which are harmful to the human body. Crystals such as orgonite and obsidian and can be useful for this, as can silver impregnated items. Using a nonfluoride toothpaste to prevent fluoride poisoning and seeking out naturally occurring medicinal agents rather than pharmaceutical agents. Getting outside for sunshine and being out in nature is a must for an improved immune system and to soothe the mind and soul. And choosing actions that respect mother Earth - look after her and she looks after you!

When one has an awareness of the way their thoughts, beliefs and

CENTRAL COAST BUNDLED INTO SYDNEY MEGA REGION

Greater Cities Commission Bill 2022 has come into force, replacing the Greater Sydney Commission Act 2015

Greater Cities Commission will bring the cities of the Lower Hunter and Greater Newcastle, Central Coast, Greater Sydney and Illawarra-Shoalhaven together under an umbrella structure that oversees planning and development.

The Commission, amongst other functions, is to provide advice and make recommendations to the Minister on matters relating to land use, infrastructure, planning or

actions have on the world around them, and makes internal/external changes to leave a positive imprint on the world an amazing shift can happen which can bring a sense of inner peace and abundance back to them, improving their mind, body and soul connection. And when this can be achieved collectively our world could be unrecognizable from what it is today. Each day we get a step closer to reaching that goal, and every soul in this realm has a part to play, no matter how big or small that part is.

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development in the Six Cities Region.

The principal objectives of the Commission in exercising its functions are as follows -

- (a) to lead metropolitan planning for the Six Cities Region,
- (b) to promote orderly development in the Six Cities Region, integrating social, economic and environmental considerations with regard to the principles of ecologically sustainable development contained in the Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991, section 6(2),
- (c) to promote the alignment of Government decision-making on infrastructure with land use planning,
- (d) to promote the supply of housing, including affordable housing and a diversity of housing types,
- (e) to encourage development that is resilient, including resilient in relation to climate change, and development that takes into account natural hazards,



- (f) to support ongoing improvement in productivity, liveability and environmental quality,
- (g) to provide increased opportunity for public involvement and participation in environmental planning and assessment in the Six Cities Region, including the involvement and participation of First Nations peoples,
- (h) to promote economic activity



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in the Six Cities Region by coordinating the delivery of key economic precincts.

The Central Coast Regional Plan 2036 which was released in 2016 continues to have effect until the Greater Cities Commission draft plans are completed.

The Act requires that the Commission must review the existing regional strategic plans and submit a draft regional strategic plan applying to the whole of the Six Cities Region to the Minister, before the end of 2023.

There is potential for great benefits for residents of all the cities involved but there is also a potential that lobby groups and developers could hijack the processes for less than ideal outcomes.

Will Sydney's overcrowding, traffic snarls and hectic lifestyles push into the Central Coast?

Geoff Roberts AM, Chief Commisioner said "This will mean more people in the six cities working within 30 minutes of where they live, increased access to homes that families can afford and more equal access to higher education and training opportunities"

Check the website: <u>https://www.</u> greater.sydney/

Keith Aranjo

Kulnura & District Garden Club May 2022

As was the case for many events on the Central Coast in April, our planned visit to Sid and Pam's was unable to go ahead due to the heavy rainfall, but we were able to meet in the Somersby Hall. This was a lively meeting and reminded us that we don't always have to meet in an actual garden for it to be a wonderful day out. It was a morning filled with laughter and learning, and lots of cake!

Whilst we missed meeting the alpacas in person, Pam brought several gorgeous examples of the fleeces she has spun and garments she has made using alpaca, silk, and camel fibres. We were able to squish the camel wool and marvel at how soft and luxurious it feels. Pam explained how she prepares the fleece for spinning and we were in awe of her patience and skill. Sid showed us cuttings of his favourite plants, so it almost felt like we were still walking around their lovely garden.

Our resident comedian / gardener Dave from Dooralong had us chuckling with his wicked humour, and his story of how he went from being terrified of bees to now producing 40kg of honey from his own hive. We were treated to a tour of his garden via cuttings that showed the diversity of what can be grown in our district. We got to taste a cherry guava, identify the scents of different types of basil, and learn why sometimes carrots just don't look like carrots. Dave also brought along his hand-made sourdough crackers and quince paste which, paired with cheddar cheese, went down a treat for morning tea.

Amanda shared an impressive display of plants that she has grown from cuttings and gave us a fascinating presentation on how to propagate cuttings in water from popular plans such as pothos (devils ivy), philodendrons, hoya, cordyline, dracaena and succulents. As well as donating a stunning plant for the raffle prize, Amanda also generously gave away her healthy cuttings, so there are now numerous indoor plant babies growing their new roots in members' homes.

Jackie demonstrated a handy product called Selleys Knead It Aqua for sealing and waterproofing pots, and there were many smiling faces when the winners of the plant competition were announced, and the raffle drawn.

We finished with a quiz that proved just how knowledgeable our members are - they got every question right! Did you know that a worm has multiple hearts?

The weather over the Easter break has been glorious and almost made up for the wet weeks prior. May is a perfect month to:

- Make compost gather all the falling leaves and get your compost pile started
- Transplant any azaleas, gardenias, or small shrubs and conifers
- Plant bulbs
- Sow broad beans, broccoli, onions, peas, radishes, shallots, and spinach, alyssum, ageratum, aquilegia, calendula, canterbury bells, cineraria, cornflower, delphinium, dianthus, everlasting daisy, foxglove, hollyhock, lunaria, lobelia, nemesia, nigella, pansy, poppy, primula, snapdragon, stock, sweet-pea, viola
- · Feed flowering and fruiting plants
- Create an outdoor fire-pit area in preparation for crisp winter nights under the stars

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If you haven't visited Wendy Whitely's Secret Garden in Lavender Bay, then turning the pages of this beautiful book will give you a sense of why this one of the worst kept secrets in Sydney. I really loved reading Wendy's story of how this garden was created from grief and loss, transformed into a legacy of respite and beauty for so many to enjoy. You can discover more here: https://www. wendyssecretgarden.org.au/

May Meeting:

We meet on the second Monday of



Above: Amanda and her healthy plants Right: Pam and her fabulous yarn





each month at 9:30am for a 10am start. Our next meeting will be on Monday May 9 at Trish Flannery's home at Mangrove Mountain. We'd love you to join us, so please contact us for directions.

Guests are always welcome.

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Happy gardening! Karynne Courts (KDGC Committee member, 2022)

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Our ladies have been very busy crafting ready for the up coming Harvest Festival and the Country Fair. Ladies are also ready to attend the NSW CWA conference with this being the 100th year.

It should be a special conference, and a fun week with lots of other ladies. Our Wednesday craft morning's are very popular with more laughter than craft, feel free to pop in and join the fun any time from 10am.

It was very nice to be able to support our local Service Men at the Mangrove ANZAC March on Sunday 24th, thanks to Wendy and Elizabeth who laid a wreath on behalf of our Branch. Sue Ward, Publicity Officer





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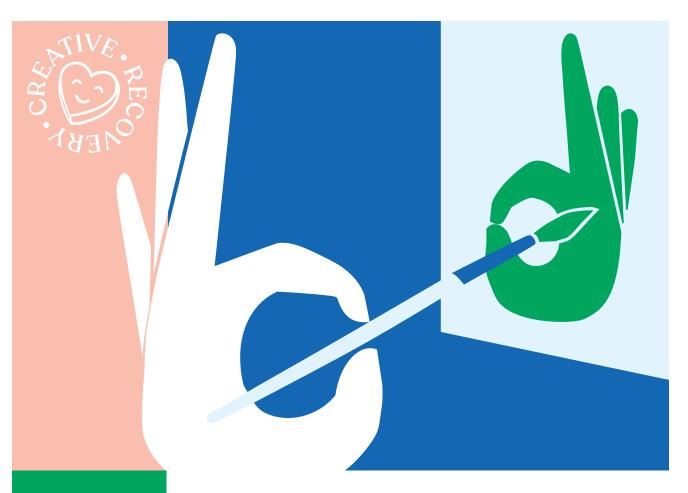




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What kind of person should come along?

All are welcome—especially if you have guts and honesty, or if you're vulnerable and gentle, or if you want to connect with others... then this is for you!

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It is a rare occasion that such a unique property presents itself in arguably one of Jilliby Valley's finest locations. Its stunning outlook will leave you breathless.

Sitting on 4.74 sundrenched acres, the offering of 10 Dicksons Road is the chance to own a magnificent country estate and escape the hustle and bustle of city life.

Hidden behind a treelined driveway, in an elevated position sits a luxurious 4-bedroom home. The properties design is full of class & modern luxuries but stays true to its country homestead origins with subtle touches such as sliding barn doors & a magnificent timber deck.

The homes layout is centred around its open plan living spaces, which gives the home a spacious feel. The dining room opens to the large timber deck, which not only floods the home with natural light, but integrates an indoor/outdoor lifestyle. The luxury continues to the two stunning bathrooms, both featuring underfloor heating, floor to ceiling tiles, a freestanding bath in the main & a his and her shower in the en-suite.

The outdoor facilities are just as impressive as the home. Currently set up for the horse lover, its facilities include 3 open paddocks, round yard, riding arena and stables. There is also a large machinery shed for storage.

A bonus feature is the one-bedroom studio separate from the house, with its own kitchenette & bathroom. This presents the perfect opportunity for a teenager's retreat, in law accommodation or potential for Airbnb.

The true highlight of this property is the extraordinary view, which is unmatched in the valley. Whether sitting with a cold one on the deck, or horseback riding through the paddocks, you can soak in this postcard location all over.

Enjoy the peacefulness of the location while remaining 5 minutes to major shopping centres & freeway entries. With a great choice of quality local public & private schools a short distance away, this makes for the perfect family home. Conveniently situated a short 50-minute commute from Sydney's North Shore, this property also makes for an ideal weekender. It truly is a once in a lifetime offering and must be inspected.



Scott Wall



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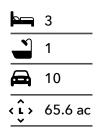
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SHEREE ROBERTS

Sheree was born in Cessnock and has taught Visual Art for thirty five years. She works in oils, acrylic and mixed media.

"I walk in the bush every day. I paint what I see, the places I discover, small and large, things I remember and imagine. 'Look at life with the eyes of a child' - Matisse."



Sheree Roberts - 'Turning wheels, big holes and dram lines'



Sheree Roberts - 'Of things we finc magical'

CHRISTINE MUNCE

Christine is a graduate of the National Art School and has been teaching Visual Arts for thirty five years. Christine moved permanently to Pokolbin in the Hunter Valley NSW four years ago.

"The discarded: A thing rejected as no longer desired, needed or useful. These things that nature or human throws away and lets fall onto the ground, have become a constant interest in my watercolour painting and art making practice, which develops from photographs which I take as I walk urban city streets, meander



Christine Munce - 'Walk in Pokolbin'

rural trails and country lanes and simply stroll suburban pathways. A pen drawing emerges and watercolour paint develops and enhances the beauty of newly arranged discards. I draw and paint on large A2 papers down to A5 collages on canvas boards. Look down. What is discarded becomes an object of beauty in another place."

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To support community groups or individuals build skills and confidence in applying for grant funding to deliver their worthwhile projects, events, or initiatives for the community, Council is running a series of free workshops in May and June.

A series of drop-in sessions, information sessions and workshops will be offered online via zoom and in person at Erina Centre, Erina Fair and at Council's Wyong Administration Building.

The annual 'Community Events and Place Activation' and 'Community Development' Grant Programs will open 1 June 2022 with \$300,000 per program available, to support local community groups and organisations to deliver worthwhile projects, programs and events. These programs are only open once during the 2022/23 financial year.

The Community Support Program remains open for applications throughout the year with \$300,000 available.

Council Director Community and Recreation Services, Melanie Smith



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said the sessions are designed to help applicants better understand the process, improve the quality of their applications, and help bring their big ideas to life over the next 18 months.

"Council is offering accessible information sessions, drop-in sessions, and grant writing workshops". To register for the drop-in sessions, information sessions and workshops, visit <u>www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/</u><u>grants</u>.

For more information on the 2022-23 Community Grants Program, search 'Community Grants Program' at centralcoast.nsw.gov.au



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River Cares President's Report

Welcome Everyone to River Cares first AGM and thank you for being here today.

Firstly I would like to say over these past few horrendous weeks our wonderful Community have stepped up, rallied together and looked after each other. A huge thank you to Jane McCallum for her herculean work feeding the emergence services and attending to their needs and answering questions, receiving and distributing care packages, portable generators and all the other ad hoc duties associated with this recent weather event.

Let's go back to why and when River Cares was formed.

The fires & floods of 2019/2020 identified needs of the community. This gave the impetus for Jane and I to investigate what services are available to develop community resilience independent of the RFS, Emergency Services or Central Coast Council (CCC). We needed a platform to tap into all 3 levels of government funding to improve infrastructure & provide the support for our community.

In July 2020, a group of pro-active like-minded individuals came together to form a new Community group, *"River Cares"*, whose focus is to improve Community infrastructure, build resilience, strengthen Community cohesion & provide the right type of support to all of the Communities & visitors of the Lower Hawkesbury River District.

What is our vision?

To enhance the safety & wellbeing of the people, the heritage, the environment & local businesses of the Lower Hawkesbury River District. **Our Achievements:-**

In 2020:-

• CCC invited me to participate in a Podcast interview on 'How to form a community resilient group. Learning from community member, knowing your community resources and understanding your vulnerabilities'.

• I completed the 'Accidental Counsellor' course provided by Life Line & the River Cares Committee attended a Community Defib Project Workshop in Wisemans Ferry & later in the year we attended the Central Coast Council workshop for 'Disaster Relief and Bushfire Preparedness'.

• October 2020 – River Cares invited Aloma Fennell the President of the National Older Women's Network to be a guest speaker at a luncheon at the Spencer Thai which was well attended.

• In December we had our first Community Creative Arts Day with the help of Breanna Pollack the resilience officer from CCC and Guari Ma Grace a local artist from Oyster Shell Road to help & inspire us to paint anything that represented or was relevant to why we love living In Spencer. This artwork is still a work in progress.

Highlights and achievements In 2021:-

• Installation of new garbage bins along the foreshore; a new Warning Sign at the Spencer Public Boat Ramp; removal of damaged playground equipment; section of road repaired at No Name Creek;

• The Community and River Cares raised over \$6,000 for 2 AED's that were installed at Spencer General Store and at Marlow Wharf. River Cares assisted the Community Defib Project in applying for a grant and was successful for an additional 4 AED's that have been installed at Cohens Creek, Malaluka Caravan Park, Oyster Shell Road and at the bottom of the Divy.;



• Following the March floods and the amazing support the Community received from the Disaster Relief Team – Welfac, SES and the Salvos River Cares held our first Community Information Day in May. This was well supported by the Community and the following services:-

- Central Coast Council Breanna Pollock Community Resilience; Anni Griffiths Bushfire & Emergency Preparedness.
- Central Coast Local Health District – Lauren Winch Mental Health Disaster & Adversity Response
- Community Defib Project Cath Wade Team Leader (and Secretary for River Cares)
- Disaster Relief Team Colin Lynch and Julieanne Holden
- SES Wendy Whitmore and staff
- Spencer Community Progress Group – Brad Maisey and Mick Hatton

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- Spencer RFS Alison Wade Captain and fire officers
- Uniting Services Sally Conaty, Jodie Gatehouse, Catherine Cantle, Caroline Slavin and Amanda Gregory
- \circ Wildlife Arc Cathie Stubbs

• River Cares held the Greatest Morning Tea for Cancer Research raising over \$ 800. We are planning to hold this again in May so start going through your recipes for the bake-off competition;

• CCC hosted in conjunction with River cares a series of seniors workshops at the Spencer Community HallduringMay&June. Theworkshops were designed to help build resilience for our ageing residents living in our remote communities. Topics included Nutrition, Falls Preventions, Legal Issues, Elder Abuse & Emergency Planning;

• Robyn Downham and Jane McCallum completed an 8 week online Emergency Response Training Course;

• River Cares have developed a preliminary Community Led Emergency Management Plan to help the community prepare and recover from extreme weather events.

Issues still to address:-

• New Public Toilets - Spencer;

- Failed embankments on Wisemans Ferry Road at Gunderman and possibly a third between Allens Creek and Cohens Creek;
- Improve Telecommunciations – I am currently campaigning for a permanent generator to be installed at the sub-base station at Gunderman;
- Traffic Speed Control Spencer Village;
- New signage Spencer to be included on signs on Peats Ridge Road and George Downs Road;
- Foreshore Upgrade Spencer
- Change of Post Code (Prolonged effect on emergency services response time) – Spencer & Gunderman
- Re-opening of Mangrove Creek Road & Pemberton Road.
- Further Emergency Planning/ Preparedness workshops – Bushfire/Flood/Storm.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jane McCallum for her unwavering support and to me personally, and her commitment to ensuring River Cares vision of enhancing the safety and wellbeing of the people of the Lower Hawkesbury River District is maintained.

Again thank you for your on-going support.

Robyn Downham

President

'Back Home' Flood Grant Will Include Spencer and Gunderman

As Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast I welcome the announcement regarding the NSW Governments 'Back Home' flood grants made by the

Deputy Premier, the Hon Paul Toole MP, Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government, the Hon Victor Dominello and Minister for Resilience, the Hon Steph Cooke MP.

I can confirm that residents of the Central Coast region effected by the recent floods including Spencer and Gunderman will qualify for the 'Back Home' flood grants.

I am pleased that the NSW Government can support these communities to receive this necessary funding support.

I thank the community for reaching out to me and entrusting me with their concerns, including Robyn Downham, President of River Cares.

I look forward to the community being able to receive the necessary support to assist in their recovery.

Adam Crouch Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast



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Brd Sat, 9am-12 pm, breakfast 8.30am Very Thurs as required, generally 10am-1pm Brd Sat in even months, at 1pm, All welcome buckettyrfb@gmail.com (02) 4998 8130 Brd Monday of the month,

.30pm at Pacific Hwy Fire Station Mt. White st Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm Brd 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 9415 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 Brd Sunday of month 8.30am start 2nd Wed of even months 7.30pm start Ph: 0409 915060 or 0418 280 764 Email: arramalongrfs@bigpond.com

Wed 9.30am-2pm at the Health Centre, Nurses Rd, Central Mangrove econd Wed of each month, at Somersby Hall Wiseman's Ferry Road, Somersby, contact Sue, 43721280 or 0407768000. First Monday of the month at Community Iall, Peats Ridge School. Any enquiries lease 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 th 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 Ist Thurs of the Month, 7pm, Mangrove Mtn Hall. Danny Willmott 0407275653

Contact: mepccinc@gmail.com, 0412669649

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

Second Tuesday of the Month 6.30pm at the Mangrove Memorial Club President Robyn Downham 0414248224 Email info@rivercares.com.au Friday 7.15am at Phillip House. 43404529 President Brad Maisey, Community Meetings, 377 1167, spencercpg2@gmail.com Last Fri of month. 12.00 noon Spencer Community Centre, Jennifer Dayes 4377 1364 Articles to: spencercpg2@gmail.com Fue 9.30am-12.30pm, Kulnura Tennis Courts. Enquiries: Alison Palmer 0427731548. Every 2nd month. Check website for further letails.www.somersbyequestrianclub.org.au Fues & Sat, 9am-5pm. Contact: Alan Hunt 1566 4626 or Adrian Acheson 0448 833 781

Every Sun 8am at Peats Ridge Scout Hall, Sunday School during school terms

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)

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 Člarke email revcrc@hotmail.com (cont'd next page)

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Liveweight Sale Report 11th April 2022

Maitland saw 700 liveweight cattle today. Made up of 650 vealers/trade cattle and 50 export cattle. We saw a firm export market this week and the restocker market was firm to 70c/kg stronger in places.

- Restocker steers up to 250kgs 520 to 840c/kg, avg 688c/kg;
- Restocker steers 250-300kgs 520 to 725c/kg;
- Restocker steers +300kgs 540 to 700c/kg;
- Restocker heifers up to 300kgs 470 to 720c/kg, avg 630c/kg;
- Restocker heifers +300kgs 500 to 655c/kg;
- Butcher vealers 570 to 620c/kg;
- · Euro steers & heifers to go on feed 610 to 750c/kg;
- Milk & 2 tooth steers 500 to 600c/ kg;
- Cows 260 to 365c/kg;
- Bulls 260 to 280c/kg.

Highlights: A/c Riverpatch sold their annual run of weaners with the steers averaging 645c/kg, 362kgs to return \$2,340 and the heifers 610c/kg, 335kgs for \$2,052.

No Maitland Liveweight Sales on Monday April 18th or April 25th due to Public Holidays

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.

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Coastability Scholarships Applications now open for \$5000

Applications are now open for the CoastAbility 2022-23 Scholarship for both academic and athletic pursuits for registered clients with the organisation. \$5,000 are on offer for successful applicants and the organisation is encouraging young people with physical disabilities to apply.

Local resident Dylan Littlehales, an accomplished para-canoeist and member of the Avoca Kayak Club, spoke highly of the scholarship after successfully receiving the funding for his trip to the Tokyo Paralympics last year.

"It really helped because \$5,000 is a lot of money, especially when you are not working and focusing all your energy on making it in the sport. It was good to be financially stable and be able to enjoy and focus on the games in Tokyo."

Competing in the national team for kayaking, his team placed two gold medals and a silver medal, with Mr Littlehales placing fourth by just 0.1 seconds.

Member for Gosford, Liesl Tesch, encourages all eligible young people to also apply.

"CoastAbility is an incredible nonprofit organisation that has long supported disabled young people in being able to achieve their dreams whether it be to attend university or to compete on the international stage in big sporting events such as the Paralympics.

"I have had the privilege of meeting so many young, talented and disabled people on the Coast who are achieving incredible things just like Mr Littlehales."

For further information, visit https:// www.coastability.org.au/.

Liesl Tesch MP Member for Gosford

REGULAR ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS (cont'd)

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Catholic Service -Spencer

- Wollombi

- Somersby

- Yarramalong

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Junior Girl Guides 5-10 Girl Guides 10-15

Scouts, Cubs & Venturers Peats Ridge Scout Hall

Mangrove Mountain Playgroup

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The Pearl Beach Aboriginal History Group

Wyong District Museum & Historical Society

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HALL BOOKINGS Kulnura Hall

Mangrove Mountain Hall Somersby Hall and Mountain Districts Culture and Heritage Centre Yarramalong school of Arts / Hall 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 Holy Trinty Church, 2nd Sat of the month 4pm, Contact 43771374 or 43771168 as times 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 All welcome. Enq 0428 438577

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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

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or AH 4373 1488 David Gillett 0416 097192 enquiries@yarramalonghall.org.au https://yarramalonghall.org.au

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NSW Farmers Central Coast Horticultural Branch Mangrove Mountain & Districts Country Fair AGM and General Meeting Thurs, April 28, 7.30pm Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club Saturday October 15th, 9am – 3pm, at Mangrove Hall and Mangrove Mountain Recreation Reserve





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