

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Oliver the donkey here;

Saturday 15th October is the date set for the Mangrove Mountain Country Fair which unfortunately has had to be cancelled for the last two years due to Condom 19 and the Corrolla virus and as one of the stars of the show my Auntie Sue asked me to write a short article to tell you all about the show so I have dusted off the old bintop PC (donkeys don't have a lap so we have to place our PCs on a feed bin).

The Mangrove Mountain Country Fair has a long history dating back



to Roman times and is a wonderful place to see what the Mountain region produces. It is also a major fund raising event which helps many mountain organisations to improve their services so we need a good attendance to the event.

Unfortunately this year due to foot and mouth disease we may not have any cloven hoofed animals at the show that means no sheep, cows, alpacas, goats which would be unfortunate.

But of course you can marvel at a magnificent donkey and some horses which are supposed to be a (distant) relations to donkeys, but I doubt it.

There will be entertainment on the

main stage throughout the day and many stalls and groups demonstrating what they do. The Guides will have their drink stand and the Scouts will demonstrate some of their skills, the snake man will be there which is always very entertaining and educational.

The circus people will be there again and of course the Chocolate Wheel. Inside the hall will be the cooking and art exhibition. There will also be plants on display and for sale.

The Rural Fire Service will be there probably with one of their pumpers so go along and have a look and meet some of the boys and girls who look after us when disaster strikes.

There will be plenty of rides for kids and also pony rides. The Mangrove Mountain Pony Club will also have a stand and are usually looking for new members to learn the equestrian arts.

The Hysterical society will have some memorabilia showing what it was like on the mountains in years past. Any way that is just a small example of some of the things you can do at the Mangrove Mountain Country Fair.

Come along and see me and my stupid brumby friend and learn about the cruel culling of the Brumby horses which are part of our heritage.

The railway will probably put on extra trains and Qantas extra flights to handle the large crowds, there will be plenty of parking and the first 10000 people will get in free.

Hope to see you all there on Saaturday 15th October..



Business and Community members are cordially invited to the

**2022 AGM of the
CENTRAL COAST PLATEAU
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**Wednesday, October
26, 2022 at 7.00am**

in the ANZAC Room
Mangrove Mountain Memorial
Club

**Guest Speaker - Paula Martin,
Interim Senior Director, Business
NSW Regional Development
Australia Central Coast**

*Lorraine Wilson
Chairman*

Lost Dog

Hart is missing from Waratah Rd. Was last seen hanging around Stonewall Equestrian on Wisemans Ferry Rd for a few weeks. Her name is Hart. She is very timid and will not come to people. Loves dogs. She is a Rescue dog who has come from a large hoarding situation. Please contact 0437498838 if any sightings.



STOP !

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**** 14th October '22 ****

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Gosford Waterfront Development

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 September 2022, Council resolved to adopt a preferred concept for revitalisation of the Gosford Waterfront, commence community engagement to inform development of a draft Gosford Waterfront Masterplan and seek NSW Government funding to progress this important renewal project to an investment decision.

CentralCoastCouncilAdministrator, Rik Hart, said the time is right to make Gosford an iconic waterfront city, better connecting Sydney to the Central Coast and enhancing opportunities for people to live and work on the Central Coast.

“Revitalisation of the Gosford Waterfront is the Central Coast’s key enabling project. It reimagines the waterfront as not only a major opportunity for the city’s renewal, but a chance for Gosford City to join the great waterfronts of the world.

“Council will not be funding or delivering the key elements of the waterfront renewal. Instead, Council seeks support for delivery of the project by a dedicated NSW Government development corporation, as occurred at Honeysuckle in Newcastle and Barangaroo in Sydney.

extract from Council Media Release

Yarramalong School Community Centre Inc.

ABN 48 288 653 121

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2022 AGM of Yarramalong School Community Centre Inc. will now take place on

SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2022 at 11am

at the Yarramalong School Community Centre, 1560 Yarramalong Road, Yarramalong NSW in the covered outdoor stage area.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Confirmation of the Minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting;
- to receive from the committee reports on the activities of the Association during the last preceding financial year;
- to elect *office bearers of the Association and ordinary committee members;
- to receive and consider the financial statements of the Association for the year ended 30 June 2022.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and vote on the adoption of a new constitution for the Association.

Families and new neighbours are especially welcome!

A free barbecue will follow the meeting.



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**A Heritage Ventures Workshop
Australian Botanical
Watercolours**

Join us in Spencer on Friday 11th November with artist and designer Leonie Loewe www.heritageventures.com.au/botanical. Starting from first brush, learn how to paint botanical art in watercolour at this fun all day workshop in Spencer on the Hawkesbury River. You will take away your own beautiful artwork and the skills of capturing plants and flowers in stunning water colours. The day starts with a nature walk to take in the botanical wonders of the area. In the workshop you will be taught how



**Saturday 15th October
9am to 3pm**

Nearly There!

Only a week to go, only a few sleeps really, and our long awaited Country Fair will be back.

Recently I met some people who have moved here after October 2019, and have never seen a Country Fair. What's it like? they ask. Well, where do I start! The Hall is full of exhibits – so they agree to enter art and produce. What do we win? Glory! I say, as you

to mix and apply colours, depth and shading to bring out the details of a local native specimen. All materials provided, plus morning tea and lunch and a take home gift. For beginners and those that want to explore using watercolours.

About the tutor: Central Coast artist and designer Leonie Loewe has a passion for Australian native Flora and Fauna, and is constantly 'Inspired by Nature'. With a focus on watercolour as her medium of choice, she loves painting what she sees around her. Her designs have been featured nationally,

are a grown up. (Children get cash with their certificates). What's in the paddock? It's full of an incredible amount of stalls, rides, animals, displays, activities and non-stop entertainment.

Our local schools have produced some wonderful art and the entries in the colouring-in competition are amazing. Thank you very much to our enthusiastic local teachers and students. Keep the schedule in this news and remind friends and family The Fair is back.

To quote the early medieval recreation group, the Huscarls, "We are looking forward to returning once again this year to the Mangrove Mountain Country Fair".

Aren't we all! See you there (and on Friday 14th if you can help).

Sue Douglas

in magazines including Cleo and NW, and featured on advertising for native products. With over 15 years' experience in teaching adults, she loves sharing her wealth of knowledge with one on one and group classes.

When: Friday 11th Nov 10am - 4pm

Where: The Hawkesbury Duck, Spencer; Cost: \$120 includes all materials, morning tea, lunch and a take home gift

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MANGROVE MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN GROUP INCORPORATED

2021-2022 President's Report –
AGM 19th September 2022

I will start by thanking all those who are at our 2022 Annual General Meeting of the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group Incorporated (MMCG Inc) for your presence and support. I would also like to thank all those who take the time to read this report, for your interest in our activities. Our Group was incorporated on 21/07/2021 (Incorporation number INC2100719), so this is our first AGM. I will start with a little background to our MMCG Inc Group by way of an FAQ format.

What is the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group (MMCG)? - The MMCG Inc. is the new name for one of the local Christian Congregations who have worshiped in the Mangrove Mountain Union Church for many years. (formerly it was known as the Mangrove Mountain Uniting Church Congregation).

Who are you? – While our

members are a mix of people who are longstanding, re-joined or recently new to the group, it is essentially a continuation of one of the original Union Church congregations that has been worshiping at the Union Church for over 110 years, just a different name.

Why the new name? - In a letter from The Uniting Church in Australia, Narara Congregation, dated 6/5/2021, it was advised that the Mangrove Mountain Uniting Church Congregation would cease from 30/6/2021. Many members of the former Uniting Church congregation wanted their local congregation to continue and so decided to rename their congregation.

Why are you “Incorporated”? - The group was given legal advice that to best represent its members interests, it should become “incorporated”.

What do you do? – Our three aims are:-

- 1) To maintain and grow a Christian presence in the Central Coast Mountain localities,
- 2) To ensure the MM Union Church remains open for use by the Christian congregations and the community of Mangrove Mountain.

3) To be appointed the new Trustee of the Mangrove Mountain Union Church property.

Why does the Mangrove Mountain Union Church property need a new Trustee? – Because the current Trustee of the Mangrove Mountain Union Church, Mr Barry Taylor (a Liquidation Consultant to HLB Mann Judd – Advisory and Accountancy), is obstructing the intention of the trust, by not allowing local Christian and Community groups, ourselves included, to use the property that is held in trust for them.

Why is a “Liquidator” the current Trustee of the MM Union Church Property? - The prior Trustee, the Mangrove Mountain Union Church Association Inc (MMUC Inc) was placed into voluntary liquidation by its committee members back on 2nd June 2021. The MMUC was not insolvent at the time of the voluntary liquidation and had approximately \$12,000 in cash assets. The Committee Members of the prior Trustee neglected their duty under the Trust Deed to appoint replacement trustees to the property, prior to putting the MMUC Association into Voluntary Liquidation.

What is the Liquidator now doing with the MM Union Church property? The Liquidator now accepts that it is his role to appoint replacement trustees. Our group, the Mangrove Mountain Christian Group Incorporated, through its solicitor, is currently negotiating with the Liquidator and his legal advisors about how this is to be done.

Notable occurrences for the MMCG since our Incorporation are:-

- Consistently holding Worship Services on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month with visiting preachers.
- Bible Study Group held 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of each month.
- Union Church grounds maintenance and picnic lunch completed on 5th Sunday of each month.
- Supporter base, mostly members, approaching 60 in number local, Central Coast and Sydney people
- Fundraisings and donations of approximately \$55,000
- Paid out Legal fees of approximately \$40,000.
- 3 meetings with the Liquidator, Barry Taylor.
- Engagement of Specialist Trust Solicitor, David Baxter of Pike Verekers Lawyers.
- Engagement of Barrister Mark Southwick.

I give many thanks to the members of our MMCG Committee for their significant contributions of time,

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effort, and monetary gifts they have made over the past year. Particularly our Secretary, Keith Arango for many, many documents to support our legal team. Also, much gratitude to our Treasurer, Ryan Howard for the long hours he has spent managing our finances. Special thanks to Georgia Sidiropoulos and Ron and Kaye Collins for their help with our Worship Services. Much appreciation is also offered to our Fundraising Working Group of Judy & Ian Betteridge, Ross Howard, Elaine Raines and Ryan Howard.

Our goals for the year ahead are:-

- 1) Closer engagement with our community and to promote a Christian presence on the mountain.
- 2) Regain access to the Union Church buildings for Worship Services and community use.
- 3) Secure our MMCG Association Inc as the new Trustee for the MM Union Church property.
- 4) Continue regular fundraising to support our "Save the Union Church" Campaign.

To reach these goals we need the willing support and assistance from the group membership and our wider community as well as a faith that what we are doing is in accordance with the wishes of our Christian God.

Yours faithfully,
Robert Meggs, President
Mangrove Mountain Christian Group Inc.
(mob 0429 443 310)



Notification of wild dog and fox control program

Greater Sydney Local Land Services will be leading an integrated wild dog and fox control program in the Central Coast with support from National Parks, Central Coast Council and the Forestry Corporation. This coordinated program is part of ongoing work to reduce pest animal numbers and their impact on primary production and native wildlife in these areas.

1080 wild dog and fox ground baits and Canid Pest Ejectors will be used on the listed properties below from **Monday, 10 October to Friday, 11 November 2022. Please restrain all domestic pets and working dogs and ensure they do not enter the baiting locations during this time.** In the unlikely event of accidental poisoning of domestic pets seek immediate veterinary assistance.

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| 847 Hue Hue Road Jilliby | 1897 South Tacoma Road, Tuggerah |
| 893 Hue Hue Road Jilliby | 276 Ravensdale Road Ravensdale |
| 13 Springs Road Kulnura | 52 Meriki Road Mangrove Mountain |
| 33 Dunks Lane Jilliby | McPherson State Forest, Kulnura |
| 3653 Wisemans Ferry Road Greengrove | Mangrove Creek Catchment Dam |
| 1310 Wisemans Ferry Road Somersby | Moony Creek Catchment Dam |
| 1396 Wisemans Ferry Road Somersby | Mangrove Creek Weir (Dubbo Gully) |
| 1395 Wisemans Ferry Road Somersby | 59 Chandlers Lane Wyong Creek |
| 1398 Wisemans Ferry Road Somersby | 277 Ravensdale Road Ravensdale |
| 15 Murraba Road Kulnura | Colongra Power Station |
| 1260 Wisemans Ferry Road Somersby | 301 Scenic Drive, Colongra |
| Broken Bay Sport and Recreation | Hanson Quarry Somersby, |
| Centre, Little Patonga Beach | 2 Reservoir Road Somersby |
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Accidents Ain't Accidents

One of the things that I enjoy doing in my healing practise is helping clients become more aware of how their body is always communicating to them. As I'm interviewing my clients, I usually jot down any major physical complaints or injuries as they tell me the story of their life. I can usually see the patterns between what has been happening in their life and the symptoms of illness/disease that occur, as well as specific 'accidents' they have had, and what they might mean for the client.

The universe will often be quite cryptic and mysterious in the way it brings these messages, but in hindsight it is often easier to see how the pieces fit together. Sometimes, there can be several layers into why a person may have an injury, to serve several purposes at once.

The most common one is simply just to force the person to rest and recover from recent stressors that may have been consuming their thoughts. In other words, it forces them to "go within" and just be with themselves for a period of time without the usual distractions (depending on the circumstances). Believe it or not, there have been cases where a person may say light-heartedly "I need a break", and not realise the power of their words. They literally put it out there that they "need a break" so the universe brings it to them!

Another common one I have noticed is when an injury, especially a major one, occurs which makes the person course-correct their life. For example, they may be preparing for some sort of career in the sporting industry, and have a major accident that completely voids their ability to follow the pursuit they so badly wanted, and in hindsight they later realise that they weren't on

their intended path (in terms of the divine) and realise there were greater plans in place for them that would bring them more fulfillment in the longer term. (In nearly every case, the ego mind wants something that the universe knows is not for their greatest good.)

On other occasions it can be that the person, at the soul level, has contracted to have the experience simply to learn from. (You'd be surprised what things souls contract to experience in this realm simply for the learning that comes with it.) On some occasions it can be to do with karma.

The body part affected will often indicate a deeper meaning behind an injury. For example, the arms are to do with doing and the legs are to do with a person's direction in life, or how they are moving. The back is usually to do with stability and support. The pelvis could be to do with balance. The neck can be to do with flexibility or perspective. Hurting a finger can be to do with the finer details of what one is doing, and the toes can be to do with the finer details of how one is moving through their life. The head or brain can be to do with how one thinks. The eyes will be to do with how they see things. The ears will be with how they receive or hear things. The shoulders and clavicles are to do with the burdens they carry. Any joint injury will usually be to do with flexibility about one's approach to something relating to what the body part represents. The universe speaks quite literally through the body in this way.

The right side of the body represents the physical, material, masculine energy of the person, and the left side represents the spiritual, intuitive, feminine energy of the person, so the side an injury exists on will help to interpret the message behind it.

Accidents will also be presented to us in the environment around us. For example, our cars are actually an extension of our own 'vehicle', so any 'accidents' that happen regarding our

POET'S LUNCH BRINGS OUT THE LOCAL BARDS

Our Poet's Long Table Lunch held at Mangrove Mountain Hall on 10/09/22 was a very successful day. Robb Meggs started the day with an introduction, welcome, update, thank you and grace all in the spirit of the following rhyme. We hope you enjoy the verse:

cars are also an avenue the universe uses to get a message across to us. This can also include things that occur in or outside of our household. For example, a person who drives into a tree might be on the wrong path in their life, or are currently facing an obstacle that they can't see. It takes a bit of intensive introspection to figure it out, but it can be done. It's always a matter of understanding the person's story in order to interpret the meaning because it will be unique to their situation.

One thing I can guarantee by what I have learned in my practise is that absolutely nothing in our universe happens for no reason. There is no such thing as a coincidence, but universal synchronicities are a plenty!

I am still doing 'free' practise QHHT sessions (2-5hr interview and 2hr hypnosis) to complete my QHHT internship. QHHT = Quantum Healing Hypnosis Technique. For enquiries or bookings, please email me at shazzaunitt@protonmail.com or call 4376 1014. Soul Speak Healing sessions are available for those who are not keen on the hypnosis component, but it can still bring incredible insight as to how one views their spiritual, emotional and physical wellbeing.

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Ahem! Ahem! I would like your attention.....before we commence, there are things I must mention!

Greetings and good afternoon you very loud rowdy bunch.

Please quieten down so we can welcome you to our "Poet's Long Table Lunch"

Yes many, many thanks for taking time to pause....and lending your ears (and wallets) to our worthy cause.

For the reason we all gather hereis to save our Union Church, read poetry and enjoy a bit of cheer.

If to stand and speak your favourite poem, you are a little shy....

.....no worry as we have arranged a contract reader service for you to buy

And if you purchase all the tickets in our raffle.....there's every chance, a great basket of goodies you will snaffle.

Now prior to delivering a short update.....on our efforts to curb the Liquidator's take.....

From work health and safety there arises a need....to cover some formalities before we proceed.

For those, a familiarity with this hall, they do lack.....

.....I let you know that the

toilets are down these stairs at the back.

In the unfortunate circumstance that demand for relief creates a queue.....

.....Just head out the door, turn right, and follow the path to the outside loo!

And if in an emergency, then I will bark..... that you all make an orderly exit to the carpark.

Now back to the liquidator, whose first claim was "the church hall is now mine".

Well, he did not foresee a community with determined spirit and straight spine.

After a year, he and his lawyer team do now concede..... the supremacy of the 1914 Union Church Trust Deed.

Though not to be denied an easy buck....then he offered the "help" in the Supreme court with our truck.

The time it will take we do not know....yet our group's resolve still does not slow.

Hoping that by year's end we can resume our perch....back up the road and in the Union Church.

Well before I finish and resume my seat...acknowledgement is due for what we will eat.

For their culinary toil over night and day..... we are most grateful to the Mangrove Mountain Evening CWA.

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Kulnura & District Garden Club

The promise of a spectacular day at David Smith's gardens and nursery, Casuarina Grove, saw 35 of our members enjoy the sunshine and wonderful surroundings for our September gathering. David is a member of the KDGC and a generous host. Many members stayed after the meeting to enjoy lunch by the water at Spencer and continue the conversations sparked by this inspirational garden.

It was lovely to see quite a few KDGC members enjoying the Kariong Plant Lovers Fair on 17/18 September. There were over 40 exhibitors with something for everyone and if the crowds were anything to go by, a very successful day had by all. There were lots of smiling faces - gardeners seem to be such cheerful souls, perhaps it's all that fresh air, sunshine, and the rewards of hard work? There is growing research that suggests gardening is very good for physical, emotional, and mental health, so even more reason to get out and get your hands in the soil!

"If you've never experienced the joy of accomplishing more than you can imagine, plant a garden." - Robert Brault

October in the garden:

There are some glorious blossoms, heavenly fragrances, and new green

leaves in abundance now that Spring has well and truly arrived, and October is a great month to:

- Divide and repot cymbidiums
- Plant a field of sunflowers
- Sow some dahlia seeds, or plant tubers
- Fertilise lawns
- Feed roses
- Fertilise potted plants and repot if required
- Tidy up your succulents and grow some new ones
- Prune blossom trees
- Sow beans, beetroots, cabbages, capsicum, carrots, celery, chicory, choko, cress, cucumbers, eggplant, endive, herbs, leeks, lettuce, melons, mustard, onions, parsnips, pumpkins, radishes, rhubarb crowns and seed, silverbeet, sweet corn, sweet potato shoots, tomatoes and zucchini
- Sow ageratum, alyssum, amaranthus, carnations, celosia, cosmos, dianthus, everlasting daisy, gazania, gerbera, gypsophila, impatiens, marigolds, nasturtium, petunia, phlox, portulaca, salvia, snapdragon, sunflower, verbena, zinnia

Book of the month: Spirit of The Garden by Trisha Dixon

In a series of written reflections, interwoven with her evocative, painterly photographs, Trisha explores the relationship that exists between

ourselves, our gardens and the natural landscape. Beyond the design and the plants, there is the feel of the garden, which captures the heart from the moment you enter a landscape and stays with you long after you have left.

Her message is the need to understand and respect the environment in our garden making. By approaching nature with humility, rather than a desire to control it, we can make our gardens places of beauty and peace, which nurture body and soul. She explains different approaches to garden design, exploring the teachings of landscape architects and designers of renown. And she frames this in the context of a harsh and changing climate that we need to embrace.

Published by National Library of Australia and available from Booktopia:

<https://www.booktopia.com.au/spirit-of-the-garden-trisha-dixon/book/9780642279705.html>

October Meeting:

We meet on the second Monday of each month at 9:30am for a 10am start, and our next meeting will be on Monday 10th October. We are visiting the garden of one of our KDGC members, located at Wyong Creek. Please contact us for further information and venue details.

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Central Coast Quarter Horse Association

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We have our first ride day coming up on October the 15th please see details attached below. This is a Great opportunity for you to come along and see and try what we do.

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Somersby CWA

September has been quiet a busy month for our Branch. We joined some other members from our Northumberland Group (Central Coast) and visited the Latvian House in Strathfield, what a interesting place and the lovely girl in the shop filled us in with many interesting facts about LATVIA which is the Country CWA NSW is studying this year, after shopping we where treated to a lovely morning tea of Latvian food, from some very friendly, welcoming ladies who also gave some interesting facts about LATVIA, this was enjoyed by all who attended.

In September our Branch has its Cooking competition for the Butter mixed cakes, our Cooking officer was very pleased with the number of entries, many lovely cakes which lead to a special afternoon tea. Well done to all our members who gained a 1st and 2nd places and best wishes for the next level.

After many days of rehearsals our Branch also took part in the Northumberland Group culture day, a full day of laughter with all branches, showing some talent skits, songs, poems, monologue, musical items and even a media presentation, all based



on the theme of High Tea. Our Branch was very happy with our efforts

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Father's Day Afternoon Celebrations

Thank you to all the dads, grandfather's, and poppy's who came along to our afternoon tea. The children had a great time sharing their learning experiences with you all. We have shared just a few photos with you from the afternoon.

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We are now taking enrolments for 2023. Please feel free to give us a call on 43741239 if you would like more information for enrolment in January 2023 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.

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

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CHAPTER IX MICHAEL LOST AGAIN

When Michael broke free of the other three children, they tried to pursue him. Rebecca screamed, as she watched him slip on the rocks and then disappear into the dark swirling waters. Both Zeb and Fred had to hold her back. There was nothing they could do, but watch to try to see for any sign of life coming from the murky waters. They had no way of raising an alarm for help, as they did not even know where they were. They sat for a few minutes just trying to think – it had all happened so fast.

'Well' said Fred. 'What now? – We have to do something!'

'Let's try to find the fairies, they may have some ideas. We will go back to where we think the injured one is. They will all be guarding her.' Replied Rebecca, she was, although still shaken, trying to think of ways to save all of the endangered creatures involved in these unfortunate events, including Michael.

The three children continued on in the direction they had been heading before they lost Michael. The track led them up an incline and they thought that just over it they would find the Queen's entourage but, to their disappointment, they just found more trees and low bushes. They were now confused and looked all around, but so much was hidden in the darkness. Suddenly Rebecca felt a gentle touch on her shoulder, and she turned only to come face to face with a bush wallaby. He was the same height as she. She smiled at the wallaby, as she knew that he would tell them where they had to go, and she was quite right. The wallaby leaned forward and whispered into her ear, making sure that the others could not hear what he was saying to her. She knew just where to go now. As suddenly as it had appeared, the wallaby disappeared into the night with a single leap.

'This way!' called Rebecca to the other two, and they all ran into the darkened bushy landscape. Soon they had crossed another hill, and they heard the sounds of chattering before they could see the Queen's entourage. Then they saw the flickering lights surrounding what seemed to be an oval building amongst the trees and bushy foliage.

As the three children approached the "camp" they were met by the familiar handmaiden, Nadi, who was on watch. Both Rebecca and Fred had met her when they had first arrived in that land from the birthday party. Her face was full of concern, as she could see that Michael was not with them. 'Sapphire has requested that you be brought to her immediately, please come with me'. She led them into the building.

Once inside, the children were astounded to see that it appeared to be some kind of transport vessel complete with meeting rooms and accommodation for the travellers on board. Everything was very beautiful and luxurious. Sapphire was occupied with a group of fairies, who seemed to be in a very serious discussion,



Rebecca finds the fairies camp

but when she saw that Rebecca was being led in she came straight over to her. Rebecca explained to her very quickly what had happened with Michael, and then his disappearance into the waters at the base of the waterfall.

Sapphire then led Rebecca to a seat where they could talk quietly. 'I have been advised by the Universal Council that they have Michael. He has been interviewed, but there is no way he will help to save our Queen. They have not been able to change him, and they have decided that he is to be punished.'

'Please, I really feel that if I can speak to him I will reach him.' Rebecca was pleading for Michael.

'No! The Council has passed its judgement. You had your chance. We know you did your best, but you were unable to convince him that he had done wrong, and now it will be up to the wonambi. Once justice has been served we may be able to save our Queen.'

'There must be something we can do!' cried Rebecca.

'I have to get back to the Queen but you can wait here. When there is more news I will come back to you.' Sapphire then stood up, and walked quickly away and to another room. The others remaining made the three children as comfortable as possible, keeping them warm and giving them nourishing food and drink.

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To start with the obvious: While it is useful and politically advantageous to send ambulances to the bottom of a cliff rather than, at much less cost, put in safety barriers at the top, there seems little sense of urgency from “the powers that be” to prevent the inevitable catastrophe barreling down the road towards the edge.

How do we avoid plummeting over the approaching tipping point, and reach our desired destination; a low risk fire environment?

As a farmer in rural Ireland said, when asked for directions, “I wouldn’t start from here, if I were you” That joke is over 100 years old. So to answer our question, lets start from over a hundred years ago.

My great grand father came to the Mountain in the 1870s, he along with his later neighbours followed a regime of mosaic burning to reduce the risk of damaging bushfires. It was a continuation of indigenous practices that served the early farmers well. His daughter recalled seeing mobs of aborigines passing through on their way to seasonal gatherings, across land they had managed for thousands of years.

The landscape was open then, with less undergrowth. Between the sparser trees and the low regrowth from earlier “burn offs”, there flourished the wild flowers for which the district was famous and which fed the kangaroos, wallabies and emus (which feasted on the abundant Christmas bells) remembered by my grandmother, born in 1893. She is gone and so are the flowers.

But here is a landscape prepared a little earlier.

As the First Fleet sailed north towards Botany Bay, the landscape ashore was observed to be open woodland, with smoke arising from small distant fires. According to Cook, Banks and Solander in 1770,

“the woods are free from under wood of every kind and the trees are at

such a distance from one another that the whole Country or at least great part of it might be cultivated without being oblig’d to cut down a single tree; we found the soil every where except in the Marshes to be a light white sand and produceth a quant[it]y of good grass which grows in little tufts about as big as one can hold in ones hand and pretty close to one another, in this manner the surface of the ground is coated in the woods between the trees...”

What was observed was the result of thousands of years of “Firestick-farming”. In 1770 Joseph Banks et al. recorded no indication of recent bushfires.

We can’t go back, but it is worth noting that the current legislated regime for frequency-of-burning, is designed to maintain a vegetation profile that did not exist before European arrival.

So lets go forward.

My great grand father died in 1927, but already the overall frequency, extent and intensity of bushfires was increasing. A number of factors were in play effecting how this rise could be graphed; growing population density, rainfall and temperature fluctuations; hunting of wildlife (wallaby hunts and hunting dogs with decreased predation of undergrowth); decrease in selective burning of harvestable flora (Christmas bells, ferns and waratahs); abandonment of indigenous land management.

Protection of property relied on landowners individually “burning off” when opportunity arose, and neighbours combining to fight outbreaks. There were early attempts to formalise and organise defences such as the formation of the Bush Fire Fighting Brigade at Somersby by the Fruitgrowers in 1940.

In some ways it anticipated the role of the present RFS.

From The Gosford Times : “The following officers were elected:

Captain, Mr. A. R. Studds; vice-captains, Mr. A. Grant and Mr. R. Evans; advisory committee (one to each zone), Messrs. A. R. Studds, R. Evans, W. Robinson, W. Smith and A. J. Braham.

The objects of the organisation are to give mutual help to neighbours in the event of bush fires threatening homes, sheds, orchards and improved properties only.

The committee will inspect properties and advise owners of fire dangers at the request of the owners. Recommendations issued by the brigade are: -

(1) Pumps. - Keep all hand and power pumps in good order and with straight nozzels attached.

(2) Equipment. - When called to a fire each member must bring three kerosene tins and all available pumps.

(3) Precautions. - Burn off, clean up and underscrub at the end of winter. No burning off after October 1 and up to March 31.

(4) Enquiries. - The committee is to enquire into and report on any fire and take action. It will interview any settler when it is thought necessary.”

Good intentions, but two of the recommendation could be reviewed.

Perhaps three kerosene tins might be insufficient these days, and the focus on “homes, sheds, orchards and improved properties only”, while reflective of resource limitations, fails to recognise that a whole of landscape strategy is essential. Protection of individuals’ “assets and incomes” is severely compromised if fires are ignited and become uncontrollable in land beyond their control, such as National Parks, Forestry, Crown Lands and Local Council controlled land.

The objective of “mutual help to neighbours” is a key narrative in the history of the Mountain Districts.

Examples of neighbouring farmers engaged together in desperate battles against the flames, and of losses sustained, can be found in numerous local and Sydney newspapers. They are part of the folklore that binds the

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community together. For example (from the Labor Daily, Sydney, 1936), "CHOKING with smoke and with their hair and clothing singed by the terrific heat, a small band of orchardists at Mangrove Mountain fought unsuccessfully yesterday for eight hours in an effort to check one of the largest bushfires in the history of the district. FLAMES 40ft. high, fanned by a strong westerly wind, swept through the tall timber with the speed of an express train and the fighters had to run for shelter in nearby creeks, which for the main part are nearly dry. Women and children fought side by side with the men, burning fire breaks early in the day when it was seen that the fire was approaching, but their efforts went for nothing."

This fire severely damaged the property of Arthur Lillicrapp amongst others. Ironically it probably "cooked" the prospects of Percy Fuller, the baker, who moved to Armidale.

In 1951 Ted Lorimer the Headmaster at Somersby School, issued the senior boys with wet bags and tree branches, gave them some quick instructions, and with the bushfire approaching, sent them to save a neighbour's house - which they did.

There seems little doubt that with the passing of pre-European methods of land custodianship, bushfires have become more frequent and intense.

The days when farmers would turn up from miles around with their tractors and spray vats to save a neighbour's home, as happened with my uncle next door in the 1960s, is a scene being replaced by the red trucks of the RFS (when not required urgently elsewhere). The RFS with its dedicated volunteers does great work, yet with inevitable bureaucratisation and centralisation following 1979, satellite surveillance and computer facilitated coordination, water bombers, helicopters with incendiary bombs and military back-up etc., our most recent bushfire experience was the most threatening yet recorded and most destructive.

More "ambulances" are being ordered. So is this industrial/military strategy working? Can we win this arms race against nature and global heating?

Well I wouldn't start from here.

Unfortunately we missed the start, were not even on our marks when the warnings were loud and clear and the gun went off. Nothing to worry about, someone will invent some whizz bang running shoe technology, and we will do it in a canter.

The race is on, but is it too late to re-start and build a better course for us

horses? If the course of history tells us anything, it is that when we exchange wisdom for expediency, we do so at our peril.

Thousands of years of accumulated wisdom and knowledge would suggest that a big picture strategy is needed giving shared custodianship to all land owners and managers, governed by the principles of pre-European understanding.

A governance structure would need to be devised with indigenous voices preeminent vis-à-vis government instrumentalities.

The inevitable costs of fire trails, water tanks etc to facilitated small area mosaic burning would be partly off-set by savings in disaster relief payments, fire damage and insurance costs, fire fighting, aviation fuel, wildfire carbon emissions, and smoke induced illnesses etc.

A critical detail in the big picture is the "smoke arising from small distant fires" (see First Fleet accounts above).

The people who lit those fires had intimate local knowledge of weather patterns, plant species, seasonal conditions, animal behaviour etc., enabling agility in decision making and rapid action to take advantage of windows of opportunity. They, like our early European style farmers, had autonomy and responsibility for their own patch, and were able to mobilise their immediate community when needed.

It worked.

So what lessons can be learned, and how can they be applied to formulating, and rapidly implementing, better methods to deal with the crisis confronting us.

Firstly the bigger picture:

As referred to above, a governance structure would need to be devised with indigenous voices preeminent vis-à-vis government instrumentalities.

It would have responsibility for a Whole of Area approach to implementing small-scale mosaic mitigation burning, including building and maintaining the infrastructure necessary.

In the hundred plus years since this approach was abandoned, developments in technology, scientific knowledge, mapping, mechanisation and communications etc. make the project achievable.


On our own patch we need greater local autonomy, "enabling agility in decision making and rapid action to take advantage of windows of opportunity" to achieve good "burn offs". As this would require authorities relinquishing some control currently within their remit, it is difficult to see how it could be achieved. A new agency, as recommended to the recent Bushfire Inquiry (by Peter Comensoli, might be an option, or, at the grass roots end of the bureaucratic spectrum, utilise technology to empower knowledgeable and equipped locals to obtain "instant" small scale "burn off" approval.

For now, current practices will not avert a looming catastrophe barrelling down the road.

On a brighter note, the tipping point over which travellers would plummet on the Deviation in the past, was called "Sunny Corner"

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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 Mtn Hall 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. https://permaculturecc.org.au/
Permaculture Central Coast 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, 7pm, Mangrove Mtn Hall. Contact: mepccinc@gmail.com, 0412669649
Mangrove Emergency Planning & Communications Committee		
Mangrove Mountain Country Fair Committee Meeting		2nd Thur of month except Jan, 7:30pm, Mangrove Hall. Pres- Shane 0417 436 529
Mountain Districts Association (MDA)		www.mountaindistrictsassociation.com.au secretary@mountaindistrictsassociation.com.au
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 info@rivercares.com.au
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	Newsletter	Tue 9.30am-12.30pm, Kulnura Tennis Courts. Enquiries: Alison Palmer 0427731548.
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
Mangrove Mountain Christian Group		General Meeting 3rd Monday, 7.30pm at CTC (next door to Mangrove Hall)
Mangrove Mountain Union Church, Christian Service		9.30am second and fourth 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)
Serbian Orthodox		2nd & 4th Sun. of the month. 10 am, followed by luncheon, tea, coffee, cakes (cost \$20). 1184 Peats Ridge Rd, Peats Ridge
Kariong Community Baptist Church		Sun @9.30am, Church & Kid's Program, Kariong Public School Hall, Chris Clarke email revrcr@hotmail.com

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LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT



Liveweight Sale 19th September 2022

A total yarding this week of 360 head, that's a few more than last week. Overall the market was firm 50c/kg stronger on restocker steers. Export market was firm.

- Butcher vealers 520 to 575c/kg, with the best yard returning \$2,431;
- Restocker Angus steers up to 250kgs 690 to 785c/kg;
- Restocker Angus steers 250-350kgs 600 to 785c/kg;
- Restocker steers (other breeds) up to 250kgs 560 to 640c/kg;
- Restocker steers (other breeds) 250-350kgs 480 to 625c/kg;
- Restocker heifers (all breeds) up to 300kgs 490 to 620c/kg;
- Euro heifers to feed 565 to 620c/kg;
- Grown yearling steers 515 to 630c/kg;
- Grown steers & bullocks 395 to 460c/kg;
- Cows 280 to 400c/kg;
- Bulls 240 to 320c/kg.

Liveweight Sale 12th September 2022

325 cattle were yarded at today's sale. The yarding was made up of 300 trade/weaner cattle and 25 export. The majority of the yarding was lightweight weaners. No yearling cattle here today.

- Weaner steers up to 250kgs 500 to 750c/kg, average 670c/kg;
- Weaner steers 250-300kgs 490 to 715c/kg, avg 630c/kg;
- Weaner steers +300kgs 420 to 660c/kg, avg 590c/kg;
- Weaner heifers up to 250kgs 500 to 660c/kg, avg 600c/kg;
- Weaner heifers 250-300kgs 480 to 640c/kg, avg 580c/kg;
- Weaner heifers +300kgs 490 to 565c/kg, avg 540c/kg;
- Grown steers 415 to 470c/kg;

- Cows 180 to 395 for restocker cows.

Maitland Saleyards Weekly liveweight sale every Monday, commencing at 9 am followed by stores with calves, pigs & sheep from 12 noon.

Gloucester Store Cattle Sale Thursday 13th October 2022 from 11am

Maitland Store Sale Saturday, 15th October – Commencing 12 noon

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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YOUTH

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Girl Guides 10-15

Scouts, Cubs & Venturers
Peats Ridge Scout Hall

Mangrove Mountain Playgroup

HISTORICAL

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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

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 Trinity 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.
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of Assisi Centre, 30 Lutana Rd, Somersby.
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Last Sat of month. All welcome, contact Jan
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2nd Sat of the month, 10.00am for 10.30,
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Jon 43116254 and Gavin 43404435.

3rd Fri of month 7.30pm Pearl Beach. Peggy
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Hall bookings Ryan Howard 0405416289
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David Gillett 0416 097192
enquiries@yarramalonghall.org.au
<https://yarramalonghall.org.au>

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New Public Toilets at Spencer

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Installation of notification signs and residential letter box drop – Week of 3rd October

Demolition of existing building and installation of temporary toilets – Mid October

Building construction commencement – late October – Mid November (Note – Actual building will likely go up in a week)

Carpark construction and Landscaping – Mid November to early December

Completion - Mid December



Robyn Downham
President
RiverCares



Anglican Church News

Most of our group recently had morning tea at the Corrugated Café with our new acting rector of Gosford Parish, the Reverend Sally Malfroy. We would like to thank again the Reverend Dr. Don Saines and his wife the Reverend Dr. Pene who gave up some of their retirement time together as the Reverend Dr. Don Saines spent time as the previous Locum.

We are still following covid safe practices as many people are getting sick or dying from this disease. It is one way of showing our respect and love for each other.

Daylight saving is with us again, so our worship service still starts at 8am daylight saving time at the Scout Hall 153 George Downes Drive Central Mangrove on Sunday mornings. There is no joining fee or annual fee – only a desire to meet together with friendly people to follow and worship God.

Our Bible Study group has just had their usual end of term party and video night. We would like to thank Noreen for making available her large covid safe family room and very warm wood fire for our safety and comfort.

Our prayer group continues and if you have a special request or enquiries, our local minister, the Reverend Jim can be contacted on 0407210861

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