

COMMUNITY NEWS

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With the Annual Fair only 3 months away the Management Committee, Community Groups and Volunteers are busy preparing for the big day.

Next Meeting

Thursday 17th July 7pm at The Union Church Hall - all welcome

Food Co-ordinator/s

We are currently seeking volunteers to liaise with the management committee to assist with the food for the day and distribution of food items to all stalls. All food items are ordered prior to the Fair and simply need to be distributed to stall holders and volunteers the day



before and on the day.

Coffee Helpers

We are also looking for a few

volunteers to assist with the coffee stall on the day. This is a very popular stall on the day and we would love your help (even for a hour).

If you feel you may be able to assist with either of these roles please contact either our President Steve Raines

0455 155 075 or email Secretary-MMCF@hotmail.com

Grant Requests Due

Grant requests are due to be submitted by email prior to 5pm on 21st August. You will also need to attend in person at either our upcoming July meeting on Thursday 17th July or our August meeting Thursday 21st August both at 7pm at The Union Church Hall. We look forward to receiving grants this year to distribute funds to our local community.

Louisa Foxford, Secretary
Mangrove Mountain & Districts Country Fair
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The Crossroads Garden

Dear Community,

I think that we can all agree that our efforts to beautify the entry to our Mountain Districts has failed. The photos below show the "garden" one year after planting it out.

The combination of poor preparation, weed inducing rain and heat and the theft of most of the plants has resulted in a huge area of weeds.

A group of volunteers has tried to manage it, but it proved too hard.

Last week a group of workers from CEN (Community Environment Network) did a great job in slashing around the remaining plants. As you can see, the few surviving plants are growing well.

Unfortunately, at the end of that day the two signs advertising our local markets and Blues on the Mountain disappeared!! CEN did not take them and we would really like them returned.

So now we have to plan how to manage this "garden". We have no more funds left. The weeds need to be managed and we need lots of mulch. We would also like to plant native grasses. I have written to Council to ask for help.

If anyone has any suggestions I

UPCOMING CATTLE AUCTIONS

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- Weekly Monday Liveweight Cattle Sales 9am, followed by Calves, Pigs & Sheep from 12 noon.
- Monthly Store Cattle Sales - July 19 & August 16, 11am

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- Fortnightly Thursday Store Cattle Sales - July 17 & July 21, 11am

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Above: CEN team engaged in weeding

Below Left to Right: Before weeding, Partly weeded, Surviving plants



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They were apprehensive at first. When I said I would like them to allow my husband to sit in one of their vehicles, one driver enthusiastically said I can do better than that I will take him for a ride.


Which he did.

Brian reckons it is the best birthday present he has ever had. In all the excitement we forgot to ask them their names.

The only bad thing was I have not stopped hearing Brian talking 'Porsche this Porsche that'.

Clara Jones





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Hidden Treasure in Dubbo Gully

The tragic story of Hughie Cameron and his hoard of gold coins was re-discovered only recently.

When St. Thomas' cemetery at Dubbo Gully was restored in 1985, little was known about Hughie Cameron. The inscription on the wooden cross that marks his grave simply reads: "In Memory of Hughie Cameron, died in Ten Mile Hollow." Not even the year of his death is recorded. Hughie's story is both tragic and intriguing...

Hugh Cameron was born around 1843 and orphaned when he was 7 years old. Hughie lived for most of his life around Mangrove Creek and Wollombi, with an occasional break of a few months at Yarramalong. He also worked for a year or so in Gosford as the servant of the Anglican Rev. J. King-Brown.

Hughie was well liked in the district, although he generally lived a life of solitude and was 'somewhat eccentric in his manners'. He was also well known for his fascination with gold sovereigns. It was said that he had accumulated a substantial hoard of gold coins over the years.

In early August 1907, now in his 60's

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and suffering from influenza, Hughie came to visit Matthew Pemberton at Mangrove. He left there on 12th August without indicating where he was planning to go. In fact, he made his way to Alfred Andrews' place, where he often stayed for a few days. Alfred Andrews farmed upstream at Dubbo Gully. Located close to the school, church and cemetery, The

Andrews homestead played a central role in the life of the Mangrove Creek community.

On the 14th August, Hughie rose very early, as was his custom, and departed. However, when he did not turn up at any of his usual visiting places after a few days, a search was made, which eventually also involved the police. Locals were concerned as

he had recently remarked to some of his closer acquaintances that "no one should see me die".

After several days' searching in the surrounding rugged country, Hughie's body was found on Thursday 22nd Aug 1907 at the bottom of a waterfall in a deep gorge off Simpson's track near Ten Mile Hollow. The inquest held at Mangrove Creek on 24th Aug recorded that he died from the 'Effect of injuries received through falling down a precipice, and that such fall was the result of his own act'.

His hoard of gold sovereigns was never found.



Above: Tour group at "Fairview"

Below: One of the locked gates on the road through Dubbo Gully beside the "Drip Rock" sandstone feature



Hughie Cameron was buried at St. Thomas' Cemetery, a few hundred metres from Fairview Homestead, Alfred and Amanda Andrews' home and the other Hidden Treasure in Dubbo Gully.

Stories like that of Hughie Cameron can be re-discovered and re-told. Sadly, once heritage-listed buildings have been lost to neglect or bushfire, they are lost forever.

If you care about the preservation of history and heritage, please sign our petition to save Fairview Homestead from demolition by neglect: go to www.surveymonkey.com/r/SaveFairview or scan the QR code above.

The more people show that they care about heritage, the harder it becomes for Council not to care.

For more about Hughie's story, see www.wikitree.com/wiki/Cameron-18849

To join the 'Friends of Fairview' on a Heritage Tour to Fairview and to explore the rich history and heritage of the area, please sign the petition and contact us.

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Shocking State of Public Toilets at Mangrove Mountain

For a few years now the public toilets at Mangrove Mountain have been plagued by persistent leaks which cause effluent to pool beside the toilet structure, forming stagnant, smelly patches that are both unsightly and hygienically concerning.

Over time, this pooled effluent can leach downhill, contaminating the surrounding soil and water sources.

The environmental repercussions of these leaks are serious. When it rains, the effluent that pools beside the toilets can be washed down the slope into the nearby play area, the reserve, and adjacent properties. This contamination poses serious health risks, especially to children playing in the area or people using the reserve for recreation.

The prospect of raw sewage reaching public spaces raises questions about the long-term safety and cleanliness of the community environment. Furthermore, the leaks attract pests and vermin, further complicating hygiene issues and diminishing the community's quality of life. The current state of these toilets is not just a matter of inconvenience but is a public health concern.

The Mangrove Mountain public toilets are located beside the Mangrove Mountain Computer club building and the Public Hall and across the road from the Mangrove Village Shops. They serve as a critical amenity for both local residents and visitors. Their proximity to community facilities and shops ensures constant use, while large gatherings such as markets and festivals put additional pressure on already inadequate infrastructure.

The lack of alternative facilities within an almost 20-kilometre radius makes this toilet block indispensable,

particularly for individuals who may have urgent needs, such as persons with incontinence, parents with young children, and people with disabilities.

Poorly maintained toilets can severely limit the mobility and participation of these groups in community life, affecting social inclusion and quality of life (see <https://www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/residents/accessibility-and-inclusion/accessible-public-facilities>.)

- It stinks!
- It can be smelt from many metres away!!
- It is a health hazard!!!

Mangrove Mountain sits on a main thoroughfare and tourist route, making its public toilet facilities an important factor in the visitor experience.

The recent Harvest Festival and other events draw tourists to the region, yet the state of the public toilets risks turning a necessity into an unintended, off-putting sideshow. Negative experiences with public amenities can deter repeat visits and damage the reputation of the area.

Research on tourism infrastructure shows that inadequate or poorly maintained public facilities can discourage tourism, reduce economic benefits, and strain relations between visitors and locals (see <https://www.bunniktours.com.au/sustainable-tourism/impacts> and https://www.coastalwiki.org/wiki/Impact_of_tourism_in_coastal_areas:_Need_of_sustainable_tourism_strategy)

Recognizing the gravity of the situation, the Central Coast Council has included the Mangrove Mountain toilets in its public toilet strategy, with plans to install a septic system to

replace the drop toilets and include the provision of hand washing facilities.

However the community and Council would be better served if the existing building was demolished and replaced with a modern facility built to "regional standard" in line with the fantastic new standard Council toilet designs, including as a suggested minimum, two accessible units with baby change facilities, facilities for people with health issues, incontinence, disabilities, gender-diverse individuals, female hygiene facilities and a wash basin. Plus two single ambulant toilets and an external wash basin (see https://engagement.yourvoiceourcoast.com/sites/default/files/2024-09/coc-public_amenities_strategy_community_report.pdf).

Implementing This option would ensure lower main maintenance costs and capital expense for the next 20 years as the existing structure is old and has a much more limited practical lifespan. The Council Public Toilet Strategy originally identified 79 public toilets in need of renewal across the region and allocated significant investment for upgrades over the next two decades.

Whilst everyone awaits (with necessarily baited breath) the unveiling of improved toilet facilities, until this actually occurs, the community must remain vigilant.

To offer your support to council to replace these toilets email the Mayor, Mr Lawrie McKinna on themayor@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au or contact Ms Melanie Smith, Director, Community and Recreation Services. The Council website states:

"URGENT water or sewer issues (such as a spill, leak, water discolouration or no water) MUST be called through to 02 4306 7900 immediately so we can respond as soon as possible."

Keith Aranjio

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Central Mangrove School News

Central Mangrove students are getting excited for the Mangrove Mountain Country Fair!

Excitement is building at Central Mangrove Public School as we prepare for this year's Mangrove Mountain Country Fair! Last year's event was a tremendous success, and the profits we received allowed us to purchase new sporting equipment, enhancing our physical education programs and encouraging greater student participation in sports.

We are incredibly grateful to the Mangrove Mountain & Districts Country Fair Committee and the community for their ongoing support. These contributions help us

provide better resources and learning opportunities for our students.

With this year's Country Fair approaching, we're thrilled to be part of this wonderful community event again. We invite everyone to join us for a day filled with fun, excitement, and community spirit. Be sure to stop by our stall to see what we have in store!

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you at the Fair!

Celebrating Small Schools with Sport!

Central Mangrove Public School recently participated in the Small Schools Soccer Gala Day at Bloodtree Oval, and it was an incredible experience for our students!

Outstanding sportsmanship and teamwork was demonstrated by all, supporting one another on the field while showcasing their soccer skills. We are extremely proud of their efforts and the respect they showed to fellow competitors, reflecting the values we uphold at our school.

A huge thank you to the event organisers and to all the parents and carers who came out to support our teams. Your encouragement made a big difference!

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Gorgeous and glorious, a stunning 1978 walnut Petrov baby grand piano has been gifted to the soon-to-be-launched FunHaus Factory project, the Gosford Arts Centre, located in the heart of the rising Gosford CBD.

The donation is part of a national initiative celebrating music, community, and connection, linked to the ABC's heartwarming new series *The Piano*, which highlights everyday Australians and their passion for piano. Thanks to ABC Classic and the Pianos for the People project, the generous gift follows a nationwide callout that saw over 380 nominations, with just over a dozen pianos selected to be placed in deserving communities across the country.

Yantra de Vilder, the powerhouse behind Pianos for the

gathered around the fire, it becomes something even more special—a space for connection, laughter, and memory-making that lingers long after the embers fade.

Then long after the fire dies down and the ashes cool, the memories remain. Years later, girls may not remember every detail of the fun they had at Girl Guides, but they'll remember nights around the fire—the sound of their friend's laughter, the shared songs, and the comfort of being together.

Because sometimes, the best kind of light isn't just in the fire—it's in the faces around it.

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One of the first major events will be the award-winning live music theatre show Chopin’s Last Tour, stopping in Gosford on August 8 as part of its East Coast tour. This moving production explores Chopin’s delicate health, turbulent relationships, and the quiet strength that fuelled his art, taking the audience from his childhood in Poland to the Parisian salons. It’s aptly described as a “blend of theatre, concert, and confession.”

FunHaus Acting GM Juan Iocco adds, “Gosford businesses, organisations, and residents have come together to forge a new way forward for our CBD. A lot of love, time, and strategic planning is going into this transformation. We’re pushing through long-time challenges to shape new possibilities and perceptions for a better tomorrow, today. No one can deliver at this level without support

like this. When the piano arrived, it felt like something beautiful and healing was being planted in the soul of our city. People stopped in their tracks—smiling, and even tearing up.”

“This is about more than music,” says Glitta. “It’s about community growth, breaking down barriers, and

filling the ears, eyes, and hearts of our city with joy and delight.”

A free community concert and launch event will be announced soon—stay tuned for live music, local and touring artists, and spontaneous moments of piano magic.

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RODGER WILSON

30/3/42 - 19/6/25

Rodger Wilson grew up on a sheep and cattle farm at Parakao, a small village between the Tasman Sea and Pacific Ocean north of Auckland.

His childhood was spent riding his horse to and from school, helping out on the farm and beginning his lifelong passion for anything on wheels including picking up the shearing team in his father's car long before he had a licence.

When he was 14 he left the farm and the small Parakao School to attend Sacred Heart College in Auckland. His love for woodwork and building evolved from helping build the pews for the school Chapel. He played football and made lifelong friends, some of whom he formed a band with. They were good enough to play for family events outside school. Rodger was the drummer.

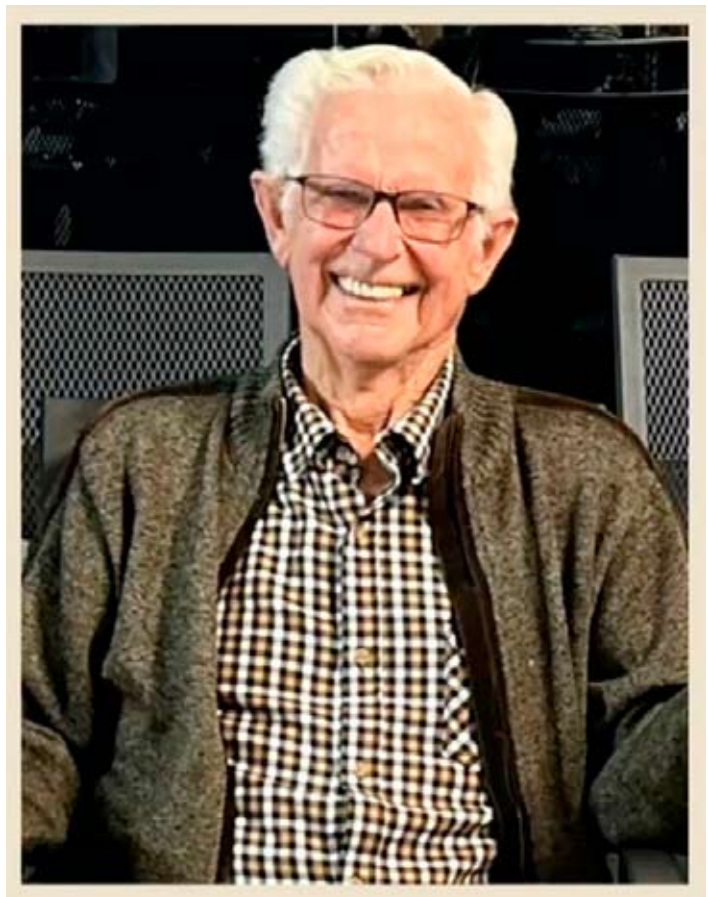
He decided to spend a gap year visiting his aunt and uncle, Bill and Molly Tapper in Australia, arriving in Sydney with his mate John, on a one way ticket with not enough money to return to NZ. Bill managed the Peats Ridge Quarry so he and John quickly found jobs.

Rodger met Lorraine Walpole at a party to celebrate his 20th birthday in the Peats Ridge Community Hall. Little did they realise that three years later, after a lot of letters and a few more trips across the Tasman they would marry on March 6, 1965 in Christ Church, Gosford. Lorraine's parents, Joan and Ray Walpole were married in the adjacent St Mary's 22 years previously.

Although they had planned a future life together in NZ a shortage of farm workers on the mountain caused Ray to ask if a job on the farm at Kulnura would be of interest. They were both ready to go farming again.

Rodger fitted into life in Kulnura very quickly becoming one of another large extended family. He and Ray became great mates even if their ideas for the farm sometimes differed and Joan became a second mother. More land was purchased and more citrus trees planted.

The building skills Rodger learnt at Sacred Heart, and which he would put to good use for the rest of his life, were put to good use in the small house into which



they moved.

Rodger's volunteering life began initially with Ray's encouragement, to assist local farmers fight bush fires with only farm equipment. By the time Kulnura had a fully equipped RFS station he was a fully fledged member almost always ready for call outs. When he decided that he was past carrying a water hose, especially up steep slopes, he trained to do the driving. With his love of driving he gained a reputation for getting a fire truck in and out of tight situations. He remained an active RFS volunteer until he decided not to renew his heavy duty licence three years ago when he turned 80. It was a particularly difficult decision.

Two children, Deb and Greg, came along so more varied volunteer work happened very organically – finding just the right Christmas tree for the annual Childrens' Christmas party at the Kulnura Hall needed lots of hands for example.

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He built one of the first jet boats on the Central Coast and had enormous fun skimming across the shallow parts of Brisbane Water much to the amazement of people standing knee deep digging for bait.

Aside from renovations to the house and the boat Rodger solved a lot of labour issues on the farm with his inventions – like the spray vat with two arms which he developed and built with local engineer, Ken West. That machine cut the time needed to spray the orchard in half and the design was appropriated by others. After putting in a complete irrigation system he designed and built two sand filters which again were copied for use in the US. He spent a lot of time mending and adapting machinery, building a cool room for the truck to transport eggs. He loved his '79 International and spent a lot of time looking after it.

Even a family trip to Central Australia was an excuse to build and invent. A second hand Kombi was adapted for the trip including a fridge, roll out annex, a bed and as many jerry can fuel and water holders as could be fitted especially for the challenging 800km Plenty Hwy stretch of the trip arriving in The Alice with just half a litre of fuel.

When children began school most parents would join the P & C. Rodger was President for a number of years including for the 50th Anniversary celebrations. Kulnura PS often reminded him of his old school at Parakao in NZ.

He went on to project manage the Kooree Guide Cabin construction with a builder mate. It was a huge job co-ordinating lots of working bees and a team of tech college building apprentices. Lorraine was the Guide Leader at the time and Deb a Girl Guide. It was opened in September 1984 and has since been used by thousands of Guides and other youth groups for weekend bush camps.

A number of Girl Guide Region camps were held on the farm. Rodger

would prepare the site, usually for more than 300 Guides, plus Leaders, and all their activities. He even provided running water for each site.

When Lorraine was appointed PR Adviser for Guides NSW he was right beside her with all the activities - stayed awake with her to manage the Taronga Zoo Winter sleep outs (Guides were the first to sleep at the zoo) making sure the 1500 Guides and Leaders were safe and sound.

Backing up on the same weekend, with more eager Guides and Leaders helping gather upwards of 5 tonnes of clothing the runners had stripped off just before the start of the City to Surf. This clothing which had previously ended up in land fill, became an annual resource for the Smith Family.

Rodger was in charge of the Sydney NYE Picnic in the Park barbecues for disabled children and their families held adjacent to Government House. Keeping 15-20 barbecues going was quite an effort, there was always something that needed to be fixed.

The next community project was building a sports field complex on an old quarry site, again with a couple of friends, Eddie Grant and Reg Bennett and again lots of working bees. The Council Engineer at the time commented that three farmers couldn't possibly build sport fields! How wrong he was! Bloodtree Sports Complex was opened in August 1986 and remains one of the best fields on the Central Coast today.

Rodger was an inaugural member of the PMK (now Mountains) Football Committee, coached and managed soccer teams for many years. Four of his five grandchildren play on those same fields along with many thousands of children over the ensuing years – a legacy to be very proud of.

He was an inaugural member of the Central Coast Plateau Chamber of Commerce and an active member of the NSW Farmers Central Coast Horticultural Committee holding executive positions in both for some

time. Until his health made it too difficult he could always be found helping set up for the Country Fair and cleaning up afterwards.

Rodger joined the Rotary Club of Kariong Somersby and quickly became involved with the Rotary Exchange Student program. He and Lorraine hosted many teenagers from every continent and also adults on exchange. He was Youth Director for many years and President for two years, the first while the club refurbished a vandalised building, Phillip House, in Mount Penang Parklands precinct.

He instigated the Kariong Somersby Rotary Club Citizenship Awards for every Primary School on the mountain while Youth Director which will now include his name.

Kariong Somersby Rotary Club are renowned for their barbecue efforts. The often admired barbecue trailer was designed and made by Rodger. He also loved welding.

Rodger experienced so much achievement, fun and friendship during the sixty years he has lived in this community. Often asked for and happily provided his advice and practical help.

Lorraine, Deb and Michelle, Greg and Kate, Abby, Damon, Casey, Zoe and Megan have been overwhelmed by the support they have received and would like to thank all those who were able to attend the Celebration Service for Rodger, sent flowers and cards, telephoned or visited. Special thanks to Kariong Somersby Rotary Club for providing the post service wake at Phillip House.

"Dad was the finest of men. Kind and generous in nature. His quick smile and easy manner endeared him to everyone who met him. Dad and Mum have always been best friends, loved and supported each other in so many ways." Deb Wilson

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- 300kg to 380kg made 370c/kg to 450c/kg
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- 250kg-300kg made 320c/kg to 390c/kg
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- Yearling Heifers to Feed made 320c/kg to 370c/kg
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- 250kg-300kg made 300c/kg to 365c/kg
- 300kg-380kg made 290c/kg to 375c/kg
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Calga-Mt. White RFS	General meeting Training Information & updates Contact	3rd Mon of the month, 7.30pm all welcome Every Monday 6.30 except public holidays Facebook.com/calga/mtwhiteruralfirebrigade/ Captain.calgamtwhite@ccrfs.org.au - Zack Winslade.
Kulnura VBFB at Greta Rd Station	General meeting Training	1st Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm 3rd Wednesday of the month 7.00pm
Mangrove Mountain RFS Bloodtree Rd	General Meeting Training / Maintenance	Last Wednesday of the month, 7 pm, All Wednesday's except last of month, 7 pm
Spencer RFS	General Meeting Training Maintenance	2nd Monday of the month Meeting 6.30pm 3rd Monday 6.30pm 4th Monday 6.30pm E: captain-Spencer-vol@rfs.nsw.gov.au 0415 668953. 4778 Wisemans Ferry Rd
Somersby RFS	General Meeting Training/Maintenance	First Wed of the month 7.30pm at the Station Every Wed night 7.30 at the Station (except before Wed general meeting)
Yarramalong RFS		Information: www.facebook.com/ YarramalongRuralFireBrigade/ Phone contact: 0494 344 030 Email: volunteer@yarramalongrfs.org.au

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

Central Coast Plateau Chamber of Commerce	First Tuesday each month 7.00PM MMMC
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)	Third Monday of the month at the Kulnura Hall. Any enquiries please contact Christine 0419 400 163.
Country Women's Association (Mangrove Mountain Evening Branch)	2nd & 4th Tues of the month, 4-8pm at Mangrove Mtn Union Church, 2154 Wisemans Ferry Rd, MMtn. General meeting 6pm 2nd Tues. Ph Judy 43771728
Gosford North Inner Wheel club	2nd Wed each month 11am at Phillip House in Kariiong. Contact: Glenis Ph: 0400 486 760
Kulnura & District Garden Club	Second Monday, 9.30 for 10am start. Jacqui Maxwell 0455364262 kulnuradgc@gmail.com
Kulnura Tuesday Tennis	Tue 9.30am-12.30pm, Kulnura Tennis Courts. Enquiries: Alison Palmer 0427731548.
Ladies of the Valley Afternoon Tea	1st Tues, 1pm to 2.30 at Angels Sussurri Cafe Yarramalong. Margaret Dale 0411104770
Mangrove Singers	1st & 3rd Tue, 6.00 7.30pm at Mangrove Golf Club, enquiries - Kim 0401516501
Mangrove Mountain & Districts Community Group	1st Thurs of the Month, excl Jan. 7.30pm, Mangrove Mtn Hall.
Mangrove Emergency Planning & Communications Committee	Contact: mepccinc@gmail.com, 0412669649
Mangrove Mountain Country Fair Committee Meeting	3rd Thu of mth except Jan, 7pm, at Union Church Hall. Pres - Steve 0455 155 075
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
Probus - West Gosford	2nd Thu. Ph Elaine Burrows 0412988353
River Cares for the Lower Hawkesbury River District	President Marlee Maxwell Email rivercaresinc@gmail.com
Rotary Club Meeting	Friday 7.15am at Phillip House. 43404529
Spencer Community Progress Group Inc	President Brad Maisey, Community Meetings, 0436482201, spencercpg2@gmail.com
Spencer Community Ladies Social Club	Last Fri of month. 12.00 noon Spencer Community Centre, Jennifer Dayes 4377 1364
Newsletter	Articles to: spencercpg2@gmail.com
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 Union Church Trust	Committee Meeting 3rd Monday, 7.30pm at the Mangrove Mountain Union Church Hall
Mountain Districts Christian Church	Services 9.30am 2nd & 4th Sundays. Bible Study 4.30pm 1st & 3rd Mondays. Mangrove Mountain Union Church
St Barnabas Christian Service Yarramalong	Every Sunday, 9.30am. (Easter & (Christmas Carols dates to be advised)

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Mangrove Mountain and Districts Community Group

July meeting

Our group meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Mangrove Mountain Hall at 7.30pm.

Seven of us met last Thursday night to discuss, plan and deliver good things for our Mountain Districts community.

As we are the administrators of our historic hall, we discussed the hiring of it as well as work that needs to be done. Our next working bee is on Saturday, 12th July, and we would love to see you there.

The hall now has smart, new guttering and downpipes including leaf guard. It's a start to sprucing up the Hall for its upcoming centenary celebrations (2027). We'd like to thank the Country Fair committee for contributing to this.

We have applied for a Council grant to improve the fire safety of the hall including roof sprinklers, hoses, a pump and fire mesh under the building. We really hope that we are successful as the hall is a "safer place" when it comes to natural disasters including bush fires.

We have registered our group with Central Coast Council and look forward to working with them across the many issues affecting our area.

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Central Coast Mayor Media Release

We are following up on concerns of community members about the speed limit on the Peats Ridge Road section through Peats Ridge village.

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Junior Girl Guides 5-10

Girl Guides 10-15

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Peats Ridge Scout Hall

HISTORICAL

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Historical Society

ACTIVITY/HOBBY

Central Coast Junior Motorcycle Club Inc.

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Saturday Craft Group/Spining
and bobbin lace

Yarn group (knit, crochet etc)

HALL BOOKINGS

Kulnura Hall

Mangrove Mountain Hall

Mangrove Mountain Union Church & Hall

Somersby Hall and Mountain Districts
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Yarramalong school of Arts / Hall

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3rd Fri of month 7.30pm Pearl Beach. Peggy 0411754577 pbaboriginalhistory@gmail.com
Sun to Thurs, 10am-2pm, other times by appt. 43521886 or info@alisonhomestead.com.au.
website: www.alisonhomestead.com.au

Meeting dates: ccjuniormotorcycleclub.org.au,
FB: "Central Coast Junior Motorcycle Club Official". David Smith 0412 506 503

1st & 3rd Thurs of month, 6:45pm to 8:45pm at Doyalson-Wyee RSL. Debbie 0421216952
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2nd Sat of the month Somersby Hall (10am to 2pm) cost \$5 per person Carmen 0434071305
Last Sun 2pm, Angels Sussurri Yarramalong. Contact Margaret Dale 0411104770

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