

Young Writers and Artists roar for Lions



On Thursday the Braidwood Lions Club presented the awards for the Young Writers and Artists Festival at BRAG. The Festival showcases emerging talent among Braidwood's youth bringing together professional artists and writers in the community and students. MORE Pages :

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Disharmony

President Trump claims he has won. He broadcasts that his opponents rigged the election to illegitimately deprive him of a second term. The evidence he tables to support this inflammatory claim is flimsy. So far, the courts have rejected the arguments his legal teams have advanced to challenge the validity of 'the count'.

By continuing this course of action Trump is not only undermining the democratic process that he used to win office in 2016, he is inciting his followers (ie. just under half of American voters) to resist his 'unfair' dethronement. Rather than bring Americans together, his emotive rhetoric is further dividing the nation. He doesn't seem worried that a side effect of that visceral division could be civil unrest or even violence.

Trump, (if he could get away with it), would be happy to remain President. He's prepared to use any means to achieve that end. His behaviour is that of an autocrat, a would-be dictator. He's prepared to ignore those who reject him (a majority of voters and the Electoral College) and manipulate his followers. If you look past the lies, half-truths and distorted assertions, what Trump is essentially attempting to do is mount a coup d'état. That he'll fail is but small consolation considering the seeds of discontent he's sown amongst his followers. They'll continue to feel dispossessed, angry and done out of their rightful place in the sun. That their hero has feet of clay is something they can't afford to admit. They're so seduced by and wedded to his populism that they just can't see his fault lines. They've been encouraged to dismiss rational discussion and facts if they contradict what their President says. They believe that any questioning of his opinions are but fake news, propaganda or the actions of the many 'conspiracies' designed to subjugate them.

That Trump supporters are one eyed is highlighted by their reaction to Trump's claim that the electoral process has been corrupted to Biden's advantage....that the Democrats have 'rigged' the system. Even if this was true, (and there is no evidence it is), surely a rational person would ask themselves 'Well, if the Democrats are doing it, wouldn't it be reasonable to assume that the Republicans would be doing the very same things for their candidate?'

Only the near-blind see all faults emanating from 'them' (their opponents), while believing that they ('us') are both right and fault free.

While voters think this way the prospects of Americans coming together are poor.

Tim Lenehan
Ballalaba

Noise and Light pollution from Mine

With the recent sale of Dargues Gold mine, many Majors Creek residents are wondering if the new owners will address the ongoing noise and light pollution issues created by the mine. Not all, but certainly some are heavily affected by the noise generated by the mine. I live with my young family directly next door to Dargues and we hear the mine throughout the night as we lie in bed, even with all doors and windows closed. The once beautiful times of day, early mornings and cool summer afternoons are dominated by the sound of rock hammers, crushers and general heavy machinery. Not just occasionally, but every day, 24hrs.

I'm aware that many locals benefit from employment and business opportunities provided by Dargues, but some of us experience only negative effects. I'm a musician with a home recording studio where I can now no longer record any music. This directly affects my business and income, not just my peace of mind. With the impressive amount of profit being generated by production at Dargues, it would be wonderful to see a fraction of that assigned to attenuating the noise generated by the mine and give everyone else a fair go!

Trent Arklesmith
Majors Creek



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"The acquisition is consistent with Aurelia's strategic objectives and is accretive of a Net Asset Value per share basis. Post Acquisition, Aurelia's focus will be to continue the production ramp-up, implement its identified mine design and process circuit improvement and extend mine life and annual production rate (subject to permitted approvals). An extension and infill resource drilling program will be prioritised, with Stage 1 completion targeted by mid-2021."

Commenting on the Acquisition, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Dan Clifford said: "The acquisition of Dargues is a landmark transaction for Aurelia. We have articulated a strategy for growing shareholder value and we believe this move is entirely aligned with that strategy. The acquisition diversifies our production base while also increasing Aurelia's overall production weighting further towards gold.

Dargues' NSW domicile also offer clear synergies to our business which we plan to capitalise on rapidly.

Critically, we believe the existing Dargues resource offer substantial potential upside with further extension target drilling."

He added, "Accelerated drilling is a priority post acquisition completion."

Diversified Minerals said ownership of the mine is expected to transfer to Aurelia in late 2020 or early 2021.

Diversified Minerals said "Under Aurelia, Dargues will transition to an alliance mining contract with the mine's mining contractor PYBAR Mining Services. PYBAR and Aurelia will be conducting a thorough consultation process with regards to the alliance mining contract over the coming weeks." DMPL Director Paul Rouse said: "We believe this transaction is in the best interests of Dargues Gold Mine. We have been highly impressed by Aurelia's vision of future investment to enhance the mine's longevity and life."

Dargues Gold Mine General Manager said staying on in the role of General Manager until change of control, but beyond that was unable to comment.

The Dargues Reef Community Consultative Committee (DRCCC) found out after the announcement had been made. can't P 4



Abandoned Dream \$450,000

Sadly this property was impacted by the Summer bushfires and the home was destroyed. However what is left is an open canvas for the new owner to build upon. The basic infrastructure remains - mains power, septic, garden beds, orchard, and brick pizza oven and new boundary fencing will be completed to the 48 hectare (118 acres).

The elevated home site has views across the surrounding paddocks to the Budawang Ranges, you aren't restricted to this site but it is the most appropriate and the cement slabs for the main structures are in place. Middle Curradux Creek runs along part of the boundary and there are also 2 dams, one stocked with fish. Approximately 70% of the property is open grazing and would respond well with some pasture improvement.

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The Braidwood Bugle interviewed Matt Darwon, a Majors Creek resident and DRCCC representative about the acquisition and how some in the Creek were feeling about their neighbour.

Q. As a resident of Majors Creek how do you feel about the mine ownership changing again?

A. Well, I have to say it's somewhat disappointing. As you know I am a member of the DRCCC, and all the members of the committee are dedicated to acting as a proper and honest conduit between the community and the company. Some have been involved at this level for more than a decade, and in that time, ownership has changed maybe 5 or 6 times? It takes a lot of investment of time to get to know the people who own and manage the company, and understand where the priorities of the business are focused. I totally understand that any mining operation is a profit driven business venture, and that business at this level involves companies being bought out by larger companies in order to expand the business etc etc. However, this has a serious impact upon the community representatives each time because, in a way, we have to start again, with a new company, that does not have the history and background of discussions with the community over the last 10-15 years.

When Pybar took control of operations a few years ago we were assured that they were in it for the long haul, and I thought at the time this was a great step forward for the community being able to develop a proper transparent, engaged, long term relationship with the company. After all, the site is located in the Majors Creek township, and not in the outback somewhere hundreds of kms from residents. We are actually neighbours.

Q. Do you feel that the Company over the last few years has made a positive impact upon the township of Majors Creek and the larger community?

A. I think that working with Pybar was definitely a step in the right direction after what had gone on with Unity in the years previous. I feel that Unity had no regard for community concerns. The Pybar management have always maintained they were willing to engage with the community and work to make the mine a positive part of the township of Majors Creek and the broader community. I feel on some issues they have fallen short, but on issues such as job creation and employment and engagement of local businesses I think they have done very well.

Q. On what issues do you feel they have fallen short? Is this statement concerning the condition of Majors Creek Road?

A. Well, there is no doubt that the condition of Majors Creek Road is a major issue and needs attention immediately, however the road was never designed to handle the level of heavy vehicle activity it is dealing with now. The monetary contributions from the mine will not be able to sustain the level of road maintenance required.

I believe this is a NSW government issue (as they have jurisdiction over the approval body NSW Dept of Planning Industry and Environment) and that suggests it needs to be dealt with at state level. I and another MC local Jeff Wolford, met with Deputy Premier John Barilaro in Braidwood recently and discussed the issue. That aside, a significant issue that is affecting many residents is the level of noise emanating from the mine operations, especially at night and in the early morning hours.

There are obviously a set of controls and conditions that were placed upon the approval to control noise, air, water and other environmental issues, however, sometimes, even if these conditions are complied with, and the operations may be compliant, there may still be a negative impact upon the amenity of the neighbouring residents. A prime example in this case is noise. Whilst the company can demonstrate a compliance during its quarterly noise monitoring of operations on site, there is no doubt that many residents (myself and my wife included,) have been dealing with significant impacts since the processing facility was commissioned and started 24 hours operations.

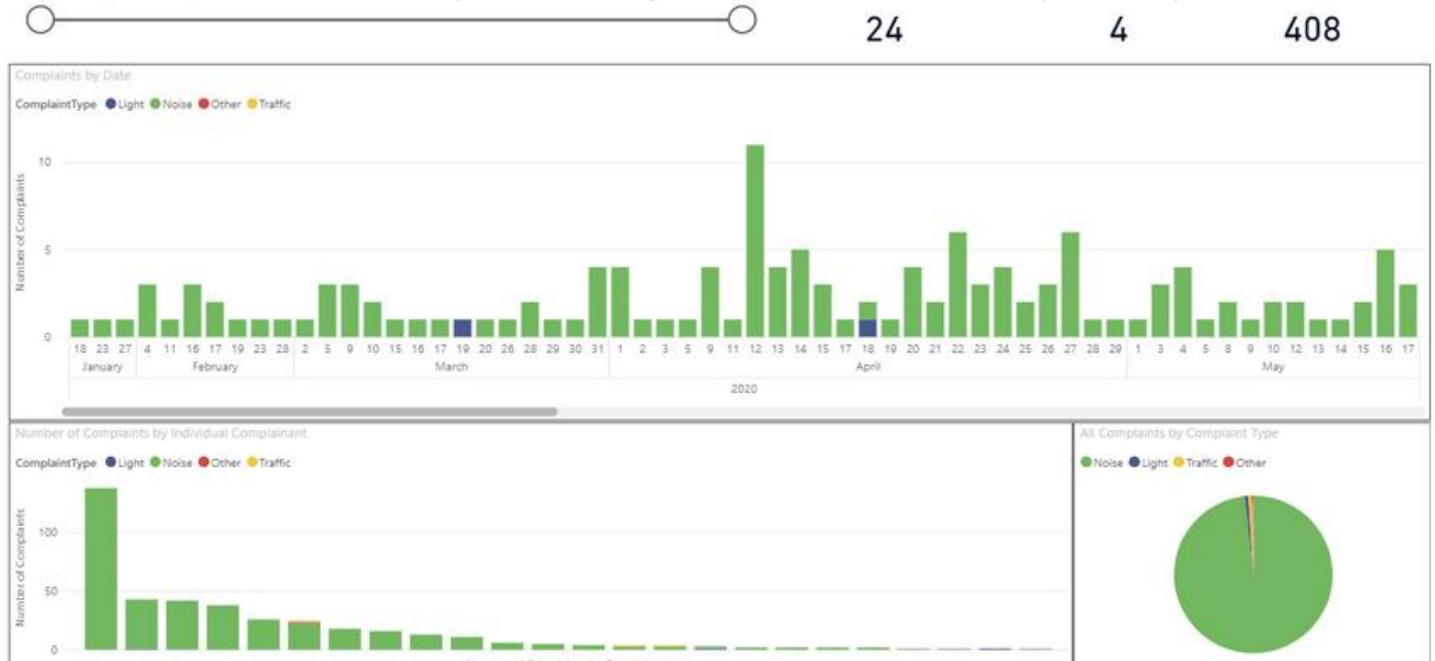
Q. How has the noise impacted you and others in Majors Creek.

A. The most significant impact occurs when weather conditions (especially wind) are favourable, (or unfavourable depending on which way you read it). Prevailing winds are from the north or north-west most of the year and when the wind speed is low (say 3-10kmh) noise travels directly to the residences and township downwind. Temperature inversions play a role, and of course, now that the hotter weather has hit, keeping windows open at night for ventilation, is allowing penetration of noise into residences from the mine site. Noise at night has had a significant impact upon the sleeping patterns of many residents and I believe it is unacceptable. When a facility affects the sleeping patterns of people we are talking about health issues, and that's a serious matter. If Majors Creek was a suburb within the Sydney metropolitan area, 24 hour operation of this facility would never have received approval, and that is in an area where the ambient noise levels are way above what they are in a town like Majors Creek. So, the real question is, "should an industrial facility of this size, be allowed to operate 24 hours a day 7 days a week, in a small (previously quiet) country town"?





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A graph from the Dargues Gold mine website complaints register shows that there were 408 complaints between January and September this year, most relating to noise.

Q. Where can this go considering the mine is compliant in their monitoring?

A.A. I have always maintained the position that the mine is just another neighbour in the village. We have a responsibility as neighbours to look after each other and get along. I give the example that if I was to say, have a bunch of old loud vintage motorcycles, and I ran them 24 hours a day in my garage, I would expect my neighbours to come across and tell me to keep it down, and I am fairly certain I would oblige. I see no difference with the mine. There are a bunch of neighbours asking the mine to please keep noise to a minimum so we can enjoy our properties and not spend every waking moment listening to the mine working away. Being woken two or three times a night by noise from the mine, any reasonable person would agree, is not acceptable. I am just not going to put earplugs in to go to sleep. Neither am I going to close my blinds at night. I love looking at the stars at night, but in the last year, what I see are the lights from a neighbouring business. It doesn't sit well with me. So, you ask where do I see this going? Well I see it going to how Pybar deals with this issue (above and beyond simple compliance) moving forward into transition to the incoming company Aurelia Metals (ASX:AMI) and how the new company will integrate with the local community in a meaningful, honest and proper way. My hope is that the incoming company can see that job creation, and community grants, and employment of local businesses is not the only way that they can have a positive affect upon the community, but also, how minimising environmental and community impact is also of prime importance. It is extremely hard to fathom how these issues can take such a backseat to profits.

Q. So do you think company profits should have a bearing on how the owners of the mine interact with the community financially?

A. I sure do. I totally believe there are people who profit from the mine and people who don't. Those that work at the facility, those who contract to the facility, those who have sold property to the mine, those who sell their goods and services to the mine, they benefit from the mine being located in the village. Those people and the representatives of those businesses should declare a pecuniary interest before they offer an opinion, especially in a small village like Majors Creek. Then there are company profits. If I was to think back to Peter van der Borgh from Cortona Resources, or Andrew McIlwain from Unity who sold this project to the Local Council, and then the NSW Department of Planning, they sold it in their Environmental Assessments as a positive contributor to the township of Majors Creek and the broader local community with no negative impact upon the local residents. So here we sit, with the business changing hands for supposedly \$205 million dollars, with a reported and expected, yearly average production of 50,000 ounces, and here the community are begging the company to spend the smallest percentage of those profits on noise attenuation of the processing plant so we can go back to our peaceful lives and good night's sleep. Do I think profits should have a bearing on the company protecting the amenity of the local village residents and the impact the mine has on the broader community..... Yes I do, and I hope the directors and shareholders of Aurelia Metals feel that way too.

(edited)



Lions Young Artists and Writers Festivals



Braidwood Lions with Maxine Helmling, Lions District Governor.



Maxine Helmling, Lions District Governor, with Jackie French, and her partner.



Julian Davies, Robyn Goodwin, Julian Laffan and Jackie French were presented with gift of appreciation for their work on the project.

The Braidwood Lions Young Writers Festival 2020 and Braidwood Lions & BRAG Young Artists Festival 2020 held their presentations on Thursday at BRAG After Welcome and Introductions Frank Hansby, Braidwood Lions President addressed the audience including Patron Jackie French.

There were entries from years K to 12 with 130 written entries and 101 art entries. A selection of written entries have been published in a book, which was launched by Maxine Helmling, Lions District Governor. The art entries are on view at the BRAG Community Arts Centre.

The art awards were judged and presented by Lesley Sykes. Maggie Hickey, BRAG President, opening of Art Exhibition.

Jackie French said "the Festival was drawing in links and strengths in the community...it has real social capital."

"The competition is a bit like building your armour that will protect you and help you in your life."

"It's when people and communities work" said Jackie.

The next Festival will be in 2022.



Artwork by Bridie Gleeson, Year 3-4 BCS



Lions Young Artists and Writers Festivals

Sally Horwood from Braidwood Central School addressed the audience.

"On behalf of the students of St Bede's, I would like to thank the Braidwood Lions Club and organisers for making this event possible. At our school art is an opportunity to express feelings and be creative.

Art is important because it is a process that takes time, and every artwork is different. It can be expressed in many ways and hopefully by the end it is something you can be proud of. This has been a hard year for many people and this year's festival theme was Jackie French's poem, A Land of Love and Flame.'

The bushfires were very scary for lots of people, so doing these artworks have helped to deal with the emotions and brings us together. Thank you everyone for making this possible.

Pema Bajracharya from St Bede's school explained why is art and literature important.

"Art is diverse and everywhere - it's not just paintings and drawings, but also dance, food, martial arts, fashion, sculpture... There can be artistry in anything you do. To understand the importance of art in our lives, try to imagine a world without it. No music, no books, no film, it would be.... empty. But fortunately, we have a world filled with the creative activity of the population. Art also employs lots of people and contributes over 100 billion dollars to Australia's economy, according to the Bureau of Communications, Arts and Regional Research.

On a personal level, one of the most important aspects of art is that it allows you to reflect on yourself, the world and the people around you. It makes you see your true environment through an abstract lens.

Within each art form is a universe of ideas and perspectives. Literature, for example, can include novels, poetry, short stories, articles, biographies. And today we are here to celebrate what this community has created. Also it's great to see all the children involved in this festival. Pablo Picasso once said something like, "Every child is an artist. The problem is how you remain an artist once you grow up."

Class	Award	Name	Year	School
K-2	First Prize	Mack Vardenega	2	St Bede's
K-2	Second Prize	Charlie Cooper	2	St Bede's
K-2	Encouragement Award	Joey Bolin	1	St Bede's
K-2	Encouragement Award	Madeline Jacobs	2	BCS
K-2	Encouragement Award	Ellie Sephton	K	St Bede's
K-2	Encouragement Award	Peony Perdrau	2	BCS
K-2	Encouragement Award	Josie Schmidt-Liermann	1	St Bede's
K-2	Encouragement Award	Arrow Fisher	1	St Bede's
K-2	Encouragement Award	Morgan McGrath	K	St Bede's
3-4	First Prize	Jesse Rose	3	St Bede's
3-4	Second Prize	Daisy Magnus	3	St Bede's
3-4	Encouragement Award	Angus Bradley	3	St Bede's
3-4	Encouragement Award	Alfie Warner	3	St Bede's
5-6	First Prize	Zoe Ingham	6	BCS
5-6	Equal Second	Ryder Nomchong	6	St Bede's
5-6	Equal Second	Lily Peters	6	BCS
5-6	Encouragement Award	Leon Pieper	6	St Bede's
5-6	Encouragement Award	Jimi Magnus	6	St Bede's
5-6	Encouragement Award	Pema Bajracharya	6	St Bede's
5-6	Encouragement Award	Rylie Braddick	6	BCS
7-8	First Prize	William Mortimer	7/8	Home Schooled
7-8	Equal Second	Anusha Bajracharya	7/8	BCS
7-8	Equal second	Elanor Hart	8	Home Schooled
7-8	Encouragement Award	Amelia Rathbone	8	BCS
7-8	Encouragement Award	Annebel Clarke	7	St Claire's, Canberra
9-10	First Prize	Kiarna Braddick	9	BCS
9-10	Second Prize	Tara Broso	10	BCS
9-10	Encouragement Award	Nelson Sargent	9	BCS
9-10	Encouragement Award	Johanna Blinco	9	BCS
11-12	First Prize	Lily Coningham	11	BCS
11-12	Second Prize	Jack Wasson	11	BCS

Winners of the Braidwood Young Artists Festival 2020

Class	Award	Name	Year	School
K-2	First Prize	Teddy Vardenega	K	St Bedes
K-2	Second Prize	Ajay Power	K	St Bedes
K-2	Encouragement Award	Nina Thistleton	K	St Bedes
3-4	First Prize	Sally Horwood	4	St Bedes
3-4	Second Prize	Ivy Moyra Ross	4	St Bedes
3-4	Encouragement Award	Isla Horn	4	St Bedes
5-6	First Prize	Pema Bajracharya	5	St Bedes
5-6	Second	Anarion Hart	5	Home School
7-8	First Prize	Romany Gleeson	8	BCS
7-8	Second	Marlo Munnings	7	BCS
7-8	Encouragement Award	Anusha Bajracharya	8	BCS
9-10	First Prize	Michelle Guinane	10	BCS
9-10	Second Prize	Sarah Williams	10	BCS
9-10	Encouragement Award	Francine Magsino	10	BCS



Lions Young Artists and Writers Festival



Awards for years K - 2



years 8 - 9



Awards for years 3 - 4



years 7 - 8



Awards for years 5 - 6



years 11 - 12 winners with Jackie French and Julian Davies



Lions Young Artists and Writers Festival



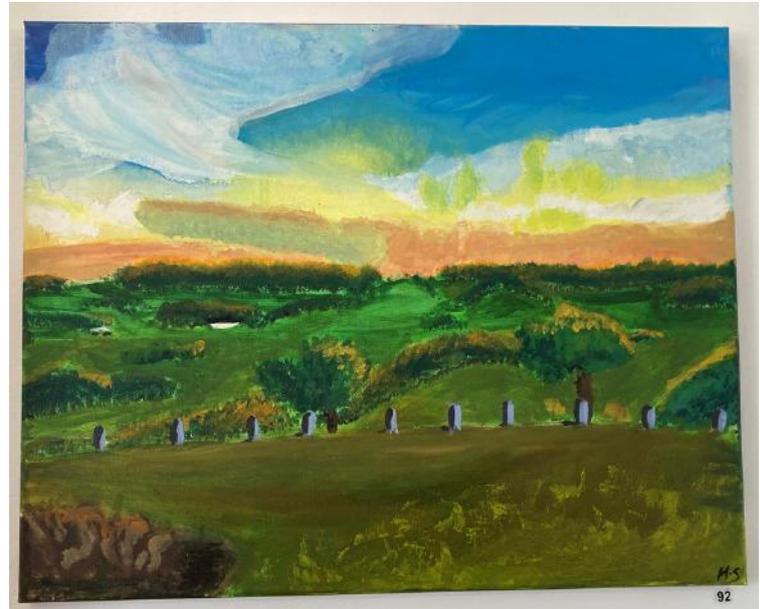
First prize went to Michelle Guinane from BCS Yr 10



Second prize went to Sarah Williams from BCS Yr 10



Ivy Moyra Ross 'The Face of Fire' from BCS.



Maddy Smyth 'The Hills of Home: from BCS.



Emily Tipping 'Fire Twirler' from BCS.



Tyrone Riley 'Blaze' St Bede's yr K-2

Headspace with Hollie

Young people between 12-24 can access free counselling via headspace, with local staff, Hollie Baker. This is a headspace bushfire / COVID recovery initiative to support recovery in our region. They specifically sought local staff who will still be available in town after the attention wanes (from government and media), so that we can continue integrating experiences into the future.

If you know of a young person requiring assistance for anxiety or other mental health concerns, they or you can call headspace for a very quick referral process.

Tell headspace you're from Braidwood and surrounding towns to be referred directly to the Braidwood services. Young people at BCS can go directly to Liv on a Wednesday for referral.

Everyone else, call the headspace Qbn number : 5131 1500

Adults, Hollie is available through my private practice Braidwood Holistic Therapies, for all anxiety, depression, grief and trauma counselling. headspace.org.au

Announcement of Assistant Principal and Religious Education Coordinator at St Bede's

It was announced this week that Mr Gerard Galvin has been appointed as Assistant Principal; and Miss Lisa Kaptein has been appointed as Religious Education Coordinator, at St Bede's Primary School from the beginning of the 2021 school year.

Gerard Galvin is currently in the role of Head of Studies, Marist College Junior School in Canberra. He has been at Marist College for the past five years. Prior to this, Gerard was Principal here at St Bede's for six years. Gerard has a close and ongoing connection with the Braidwood community and his enthusiasm and involvement in all aspects of the life of the school will be welcomed.

Lisa Kaptein joined the school executive team as Religious Education Coordinator (Acting) this year, and has now been appointed to this role on an ongoing basis. Lisa brings her high level of professional knowledge and dedication to religious education, as well as all education (with mathematics a specialty), to her leadership role.

Friends of Monaro Rail Trail seeking support

Monaro Rail Trail (MRT) is looking for supporters living in the Queanbeyan Palerang and Snowy Monaro Shires. They are applying for grants to help finish planning and perhaps start construction. The strength of their applications will be partly based on community support. If you live in QPRC or SMRC then we would like you to send us a letter of support. Residents, business owners and associations can all help push our case. Not to sure what to say? then here are a few pointers.

- Rail trails are successful wherever they are built.

- The MRT will utilize an abandoned public asset. The MRT will preserve heritage rail infrastructure. T
- he MRT is for locals and tourists to enjoy safe
- off-road recreation.
- The MRT will boost existing business and create new opportunities.

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Blaze Aid prepares to close Braidwood camp



Nick Fry thanks camp co-rordinators Dennis and Carol McGrath on Sunday.

"We are here to support Farmers - Be proud of what you have achieved" is the quote attached to each week's impressive report produced by Braidwood Blazaid. And how impressive are the numbers! Denice Kelly, State Business Development Manager NSW/ ACT Bendigo Bank agreed saying "Thanks for the weekly inspiring update with almost all properties completed. It's been 11 months of incredible volunteerism to assist the local farmers of Braidwood and the surrounding districts. The local businesses have benefited from the spend of nearly \$500,000 and the value of the works completed on many farms at nearly \$2m. What a fabulous contribution. Where would we be without the Blazaid team and their amazing hardworking committed volunteers. All the best Dennis and Carol. What wonderful camp co-ordinators you are!" Blazaid Braidwood will be finished works and closing on 30th November.

Dennis and Carol have produced a calendar for 2021 with photos from 2020. They are \$20 each available at the Community Bank.

Stats to Sunday 15th November.

- Properties registered: 265
- Properties to complete: 7
- Properties % to complete: 2.64%
- Properties % completed: 97.27%
- Completed new fencing: 240.17K
- Pickets Installed : 28,714
- Strainer posts installed: 1,884
- Total meals to date: 28,353
- Cost of meals to date: \$3.70
- Money spent Locally - \$490,630.55
- **Value of work to date - \$1,842,945**
- Total blazeaiders in camp - 25
- Total volunteers to date - 454
- Volunteer days this week - 183
- Volunteer days to date - 9,215
- Teams in Braidwood, Araluen & Nerriga areas - 4
- Total Overseas world Trackers thru camp: 32
- Nations represented thru camp: 29
- Average age of volunteers through camp - 50.87 yrs

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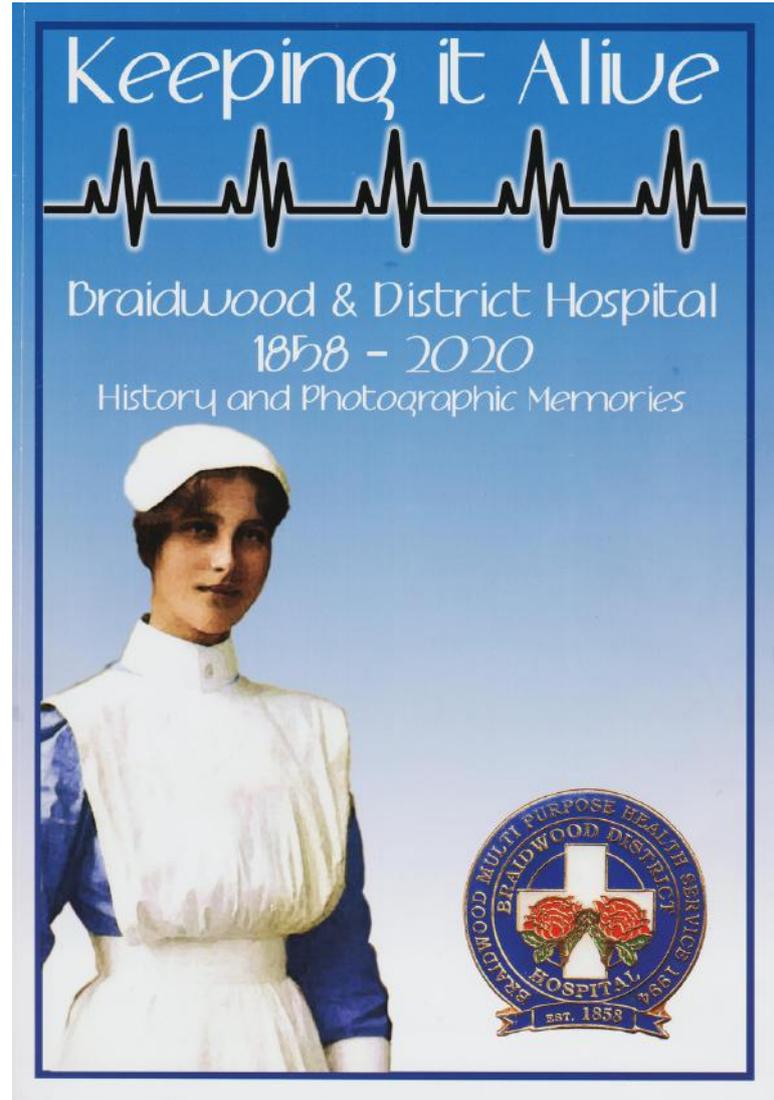


Keeping it Alive chronicles hospital history

Ros Maddrell, Elaine Collins and Paris Silvester proudly announce that their 'baby', a book of nursing, staff and the public's memories of the old Braidwood District Hospital, is now available called **'Keeping it Alive' Braidwood District Hospital 1858-2020 History & Photographic Memories'**

The project has been assisted by funds allocated to the Royal Australian Historical Society's Small Grants Program for Local History and Archives (\$5,000) by the NSW Government through the Heritage Council of NSW. Further Small Grants from QPRC (\$2,000), and Braidwood Community Bank (\$3,000) ensured our project could go ahead with the full cost of publishing being covered. All proceeds from the sale of the book will go to Braidwood Hospital Auxiliary to assist its voluntary members in their exemplary efforts to supply equipment and items for the convenience of staff and patients not otherwise funded by the State Government.

The book is dedicated to the many and varied nurses, ancillary staff and volunteers who have made Braidwood Hospital a much loved and valued community institution over its long life. 'Keeping It Alive' will be launched by local Queanbeyan historian and author of the award winning, 'Queanbeyan: A City of Champions', Mrs Nichole Overall at the Braidwood Servicemen's Club on Saturday, November 28, 2-4pm.



Keeping it Alive will be available for sale afterwards at the Information Centre, Braidwood Community Bank; Braidwood Newsagency and Braidwood Post Office for \$35.

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Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Fund Deadline Extended

Resilience NSW has announced the extension of the \$25 million Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Fund (BCRRF) to ensure that everyone has enough time to submit. Applications for Stream 2 of the program will now be accepted until 12pm on 11 December 2020.

Marg Prendergast, Executive Director Disaster Recovery, Resilience NSW said they had responded to feedback from councils and community, asking for a little more time to get their applications in.

“Local communities know what they need better than anyone else and we’re committed to empowering them to drive community-led recovery and preparedness initiatives.

“We’re encouraging community groups, councils, joint organisations, NGOs and not-for-profits to apply for grants of \$20,000 to \$300,000 and can’t wait to see these projects come to life across NSW.

“We have also extended the period for successful projects to use their funding by a year to June 2023, to ensure projects of all shapes and sizes get the same opportunity to make a difference for the communities across the state,” Ms Prendergast said. Applications can be submitted before midday 11 December at www.emergency.nsw.gov.au

About BCRRF: BCRRF Stream 2 will provide grants to bushfire affected regions, and will be open to community groups, councils and not-for-profits for social recovery and preparedness projects between \$20,000 and \$300,000. Grants will be assessed with at a regional level using Regional Panels to maximise the recovery support to communities across local government boundaries.

For more information please contact communications@resilience.nsw.gov.au

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Braidwood Skate Park Project

The Braidwood Community Association has made a commitment to the Braidwood Skate Park project, and is asking the community for support.

BCA has formed a Youth Community Sub-Committee to work constructively to improve Braidwood's community youth facilities and services. Our first focus is to support the development of a much needed skating and scooter facility in Braidwood.

In consultation with the community, QPRC have done all the necessary work to make this a "shovel ready" project. The site at the Rec Ground was chosen through a transparent community consultation. The Skate Park design is complete. CONVIC, one of Australia's top Skate Park companies, were employed by QPRC to consult with the community to find out what they wanted. A great plan is now ready to go.

Building on the relationships with the community and with QPRC forged during our successful Ryrie Park Playground project, the Braidwood Community Association Inc is applying for funds from the Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund to construct the skatepark. To assist us with this, we need your help to strengthen the application with letters of support, impact statements and donations. Grant applications require evidence of community support, and all of these will be vital to our chances of success. We are enlisting the help of our creative and talented young residents in this endeavour. We hope that this experience will give them an understanding of how to constructively work towards a common goal. We have so many talented and creative young members of our community and we will be using their skills to support our grant application.

All members of our community are invited to a meeting next **Thursday 26th November** at the Braidwood Services Club at 4pm, where the plans for the Skate Park will be revealed. The Braidwood Services Club is very supportive and have offered a raffle prize. We are currently collecting prizes for a raffle to help with our fundraising. Any offers from local businesses will be very much appreciated. Please come along to the meeting if you can. If you can't be there, we'll keep you informed about our progress. Any donations to the Skate Park project can be made to the Braidwood Community Association. All donations will be directed to the Skate park project, as long as you use SkatePark – Your Name as the reference. For donations, please use BSB 633000, Acc No 163 734 015, Name Braidwood Community Association Inc. We can provide receipts but apologies that we can't offer Tax Deductible status. We are a non-profit Community Association, established in 2018 to represent the communities of Braidwood and District.

Thank you for any support you can offer.

Sue Murray

President, Braidwood Community Association Inc

Braidwood Central Public Speaking

Last week Anusha Bajracharya competed in the state semi-finals for Legacy Public Speaking. Anusha worked very enthusiastically preparing for the event and although she wasn't one of the eight students who will progress to the state final, reaching the semis is a wonderful achievement.

Activate the Future, a new public speaking competition, phoned to say how impressed they are by the speeches submitted by video from BCS students. They are particularly pleased because so few schools have risen to the occasion due to the complications of COVID. No winners are being decided this year, but our students speeches are of such quality that they will be held over and re-entered in next year's competition. The students involved are Grace Tybell, Layla Stuart, Anusha Bajracharya, Nelson Sargent, Tara Broso and Jack Wasson.

Community Representative - QPRC Heritage Advisory Committee

QPRC are looking for a member of the community to serve as a representative on the QPRC Heritage Advisory Committee.

The role of the committee is to:

- provide advice on heritage issues pertaining to the local government area
- monitor the implementation of council's heritage policy
- raise community awareness of heritage issues
- review funding submissions to Council's heritage fund.

Meetings are held on a monthly basis on the third Thursday of the month at 4.30pm in the Council Chambers, Queanbeyan.

Written expressions of interest, indicating the skills applicants have that could assist the Committee achieve its role, should be marked "Expression of Interest – QPRC Heritage Advisory Committee" and emailed to landuseadmin@qprc.nsw.gov.au or mailed to Land-Use Planning, QPRC, PO Box 90, Queanbeyan NSW 2620. Expressions of Interest close Friday 11 Dec 2020 at 5pm.



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Charleyong RFS recognised for efforts last summer



Last week members of the Charleyong RFS Brigade who participated in last summer's fires received their certificate, citation, and cap from (Paul Jones (LGZ Manager), and David Dobliger (Deputy Group Captain).

Additional bushfire support grants available from the Red Cross

This grant is for people who have already received a Red Cross grant, and who are on low incomes and experiencing financial hardship.

You can apply if you:

- have received one of our previous bushfire grants,
- and are receiving government assistance that demonstrates low income (i.e. a health care, pensioner or disability card),
- and are still in financial hardship.

Amount provided.

The amount we can pay each eligible applicant will vary depending on people's individual needs, the number of people who apply, and the funds we have left.

This grant can help with a range of costs related to the bushfires.

These could be:

- additional rebuilding or re-establishment costs basic necessities like groceries, utility bills or school fees
- further repairs to make homes safe to live in clearing unsafe and bushfire-damaged trees on your property
- on going out-of-pocket medical costs other costs related to individual circumstances due to the bushfires.

Applications close on Friday 27 November. After that, Red Cross will assess all applications and allocate payments to eligible people, depending on what they need and the total amount available. Payments will be made before Christmas.

There will be a second, smaller round of applicants in February 2021.

Looking to make the move to the country and live a self sustainable lifestyle? Yes.. then this is the property for you. Located a short 15 minute drive from Braidwood, the home has two levels, the ground floor has been set out with entertaining in mind, large open plan kitchen and living areas that open out onto a huge undercover verandah.

The master bedroom with ensuite and walk in robe is located upstairs and it also has its own private balcony overlooking the dam and surrounding bushland, where you can reach out and pat the resident Giraffe! The property is fully off grid with a solar system, batteries and a backup generator meaning no more power bills. With 85 acres of native bushland to explore you will find Sunset Hill you will have panoramic views of the Budawang.



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Bushfire support for farmers and small businesses from Legal Aid

Farmers and small businesses in NSW are now eligible for free legal assistance arising from recent bushfires.

The Commonwealth funded Bushfire Legal Aid Scheme launched this week and is in addition to legal assistance already available for all individuals after a disaster.

If you are an eligible small business owner or primary producer, your private solicitor can now apply for a grant of \$2000 to assist you to resolve your legal matter arising from the bushfires in 2019 and 2020, and up to \$5000 for related expenses. Additional funding is available in reasonable circumstances. If you have more than one bushfire related legal problem your solicitor may receive more than one grant for legal services and expenses. A wide range of legal issues follow bushfires including insurance disputes, commercial leases, contract disputes, banking, neighbourhood disputes, planning and employment issues.

Legal Aid NSW CEO Brendan Thomas said many legal issues typically only become apparent weeks or months after a disaster. "For more than a decade, our lawyers have given advice and legal assistance to those affected by natural disasters such as bushfires and floods," Mr Thomas said. "Until now, farms and small businesses have not been eligible for grants of legal aid. I commend the Commonwealth Government for its decision to support farms and small businesses by providing funding to for this scheme."

Alternatively, assistance is also available from the Financial Rights Legal Service or through the Justice Connect Pro Bono Portal.

Justice Connect CEO Chris Povey said the organisation had set up an application process on their website and are already connecting small businesses to their network of 10,000 pro bono lawyers for free legal help. "We know that the well-being of communities is intrinsically linked with the well-being of the small businesses in those communities," Mr Povey said. "We want to make sure that the legal problems that small businesses and farms are facing now are resolved, and we can support healthy and resilient communities to rebuild."

For information on the Bushfire Legal Aid Scheme call the Legal Aid NSW Disaster Response Legal Service on 1800 801 529 or email:

disaster.response@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

If you are an eligible small business owner or primary producer, your private solicitor can apply for a grant of 2000 to assist you to resolve your legal matter arising from the 2019/20 bushfires, and up to \$5000 for related expenses. Additional funding is available in reasonable circumstances.

If you have more than one bushfire related legal problem your solicitor may receive more than one grant for legal services and expenses.

Where else can I get help?

You can also get free legal assistance for bushfire related legal issues by:

- contacting the Financial Rights Legal Centre or on 1300 663 464
- visiting Justice Connect's Bushfire Community Support Page.

Braidwood Weather With Roger Hosking

Week ending 15 November 2020

Five of seven days this week have had maximum and minimum temperature significantly above the long term averages-for-date. Grass species are flowering.

Mon	9	Max	17	Min	9.5	
Tues	10	Max	21	Min	6.5	
Wed	11	Max	25	Min	5	
Thu	12	Max	28	Min	11	
Fri	13	Max	24	Min	12.5	4.0mm
Sat	14	Max	23	Min	10.5	
Sun	15	Max	22	Min	10.5	

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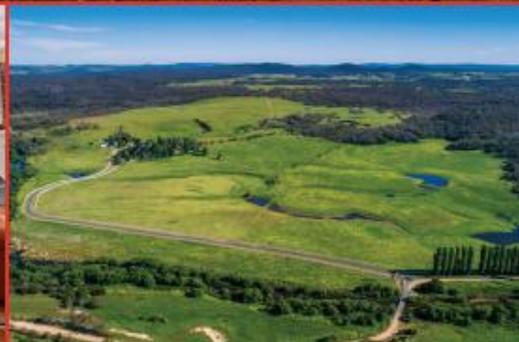
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The homestead believed to be built c1900 has been tastefully and professionally renovated in the past couple of years along with the rejuvenation of the English inspired gardens which is scattered with age old trees, recently installed inground pool and Champion size mod grass tennis court.

The homestead is supported by two renovated cottages with one being ear marked for a manager.

One of the great attributes of 'Mayfield Estate' is its proximity to Canberra, Canberra's International Airport and for the beach goers; the south coast.

The agricultural pursuits that this property can offer are endless due to the current state of the farm whether it be for a stud operation, horse enthusiasts or commercial operators. It is your blank canvas to express your ideals and innovation. Its current zoning coupled with its location and proximity to Canberra and the coast makes this an ideal venture for subdivision into smaller rural allotments subject to council approval.

'Mayfield Estate' is being offered for sale by way of a two stage EOI closing the 10th of December 2020.

- Last remaining large holdings within the region
- Creek frontage and 90 dams scattering on the property
 - Quality grazing land, approximately 50% of the total property area
 - Large shearing shed with established yard
 - Cattle yard and silo
 - Classic three-rail white timber fence from entry gate to main residence
 - Fully renovated main residence comprises six bedrooms, three bathrooms, billiard room, grand living areas with marble sculpture replaces and 3m high ceiling, etc.
 - Self-contained living space attached to main residence, ideal for accommodating visiting family, friends, and maids.
 - 4 car garage with powered roller doors, PA access, and workshop space.
 - Large outdoor swimming pool with sandstone paved entertaining area and glass pool fence.
 - Champion size brand new tennis court.
 - Century old trees with expanses of lawns in the garden.
 - Fenced veggie garden and fully paved front yard.
 - A separate fully renovated cottage with three bedrooms, two bathrooms, and spacious living space.
 - A separate refurbished cottage with two bedrooms.



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Interested in a bus trip to Bateman's Bay on Thursday 26th November?

Valmar Community Transport offers a bus service to residents of the Braidwood area every second Thursday. A return trip costs \$20 per adult and \$10 per child. Before Covid this ran between Braidwood and Goulburn, but they are open to suggestions on other destinations. In recent weeks residents of Summerfield have taken trips to Mogo and Bateman's Bay, as well as to Goulburn. Valmar will also go to other destinations within about an hour from Braidwood if requested by a group. The service will only continue to run if enough people are interested. The bus leaves Braidwood at 9.am. Pickup for return is usually between 1.00-2.00pm, as agreed by the passengers.

The next trip is to Bateman's Bay on Thursday 26th November. You need to book a couple of days ahead.

For more information and to make a booking, phone Valmar in Goulburn 48212933 or 48211644

We do want this service to continue, so if a day out for a very reasonable price appeals to you, please contact Valmar. They are very helpful and would love to keep providing this service for Braidwood area residents.

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INCREASE IN LOCAL CAMPYLOBACTER CASES

Southern NSW Local Health District (SNSWLHD) is urging people to take care when handling food following an increase in the number of cases of gastroenteritis caused by Campylobacter bacteria in the last week.

April Witteveen, Manager of Infectious Diseases for SNSWLHD, said that as we come into the warmer summer weather, the number of cases of gastroenteritis caused by bacteria tends to increase. Campylobacter is one of the most common causes of bacterial gastroenteritis in Australia.

Last week 26 people in SNSWLHD were notified with Campylobacter, compared to 14 at the same time in 2019. The Public Health Unit are investigating if there are any links between recent cases or any shared sources of infection.

Ms Witteveen said bacterial gastroenteritis was often spread by consuming contaminated food or water, or sometimes through direct contact with an infected person.

Campylobacter is frequently associated with the consumption of contaminated poultry” she said. “It is important to ensure all chicken is thoroughly cooked through before eating.”

“The best defence against Campylobacter is to wash hands immediately after handling raw poultry and before handling any cooked or ready-to-eat foods. Thoroughly wash hands with soap and running water for at least 10 seconds before handling and eating food.” Storage of foods at the right temperature reduces the risk of bacterial gastro.

Refrigerated food should be kept at less than 5 degrees Celsius and hot foods should be kept above 60 degrees Celsius. Ms Witteveen remarked “the longer food is left at room temperature, the more bacteria will grow. The rule of thumb is that if food has been sitting on a table for more than 2 hours, it should be thrown out.”

Symptoms of Campylobacter include diarrhoea, fever and abdominal pain that can last for one to two weeks. It can take up to five days for symptoms to develop after unwittingly ingesting bacteria. People whose work involves handling food or looking after children, the elderly or patients should not work while they have any symptoms.

The main treatment for bacterial gastroenteritis is to rest and drink plenty of fluids.

Sometimes, doctors may recommend a rehydration solution. Most people recover without complications. Anyone recovering from gastroenteritis should avoid visiting hospitals and aged care facilities to avoid spreading the infection to vulnerable people.

For more information visit:

www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/gastroenteritis/Pages/default.aspx

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Council Business Paper 24 November

Ordinary Meeting of Council AGENDA

25 November 2020 Commencing at 5.30pm

In light of the COVID-19, this meeting will be held remotely. Presentations can either be made in writing or by attending a Zoom meeting: see Public Involvement at Meetings on Council's website.

1 OPENING

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

3 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A

LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 October 2020

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4.3 Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 11 November 2020

5 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

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8 NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

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9.1 DA.2020.1363 - 181 Cooma Street Karabar - Alterations and Additions to Existing Child Care Centre

9.2 DA.2020.1172 - Additions and Alterations to a Rural Supplies Premises - 121 Wallace Street, Braidwood

9.3 Sassafras Crescent Reserve

9.4 Queanbeyan Sister City - Botanical Gardens

9.5 Naming of Freebody Oval Pavilion

9.6 Queanbeyan Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade

9.7 Majors Creek Road Pavement Rehabilitation

9.8 Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund Program

9.9 Bungendore Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure - Voluntary Planning Agreement.

9.10 Annual Report 2019-20

9.11 Presentation of 2019-20 Audited Financial Statements

9.12 Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Quarter Ending 30 September 2020

9.13 Investment Report - October 2020

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10.2 Local Government Elections 2021

10.3 Organisation Structure – Modified

11 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES 11.1 Minutes of the Braidwood and

Curtilage Heritage Advisory Committee held 12 November 2020

11.2 Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Advisory

Committee Meeting held on 4 November 2020

11.3 Queanbeyan-Palerang Sports Council - Minutes of Meeting

held 9 November 2020

11.4 Local Traffic Committee 20 October 2020

11.5 Fernleigh Park s.355 Committee Minutes

11.6 Bungendore War Memorial s.355 Committee minutes

11.7 Wamboin Locality Committee Minutes

12 NOTICES OF MOTIONS

12.1 Naming of the Lake Jerrabomberra Pathway

12.2 Frogs Hollow Village Green - Bungendore

12.3 Post Merger Operational Expenditure

13 REPORTS TO COUNCIL - DELEGATES REPORTS

13.1 Delegates Reports

14 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

14.1 Responses to Councillors' Questions

15 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

Confidential - Not for Publication

16 REPORTS FOR CLOSED SESSION

16.1 Property Sale - 10 Aurora Place

Queanbeyan Item 16.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (di) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

17 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

Canberra Potters Society Award for Braidwood's Lea Durie



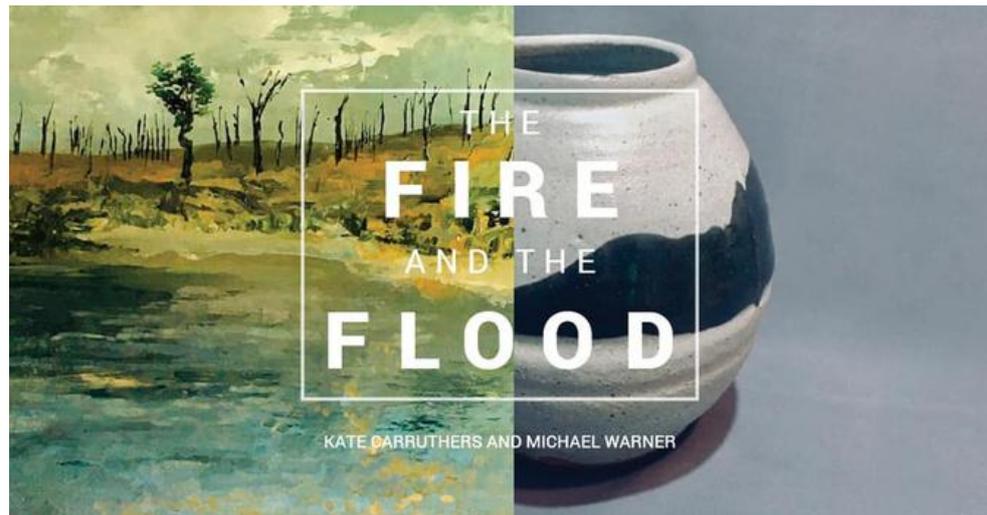
Lea Durie, Left, winner of the Craft ACT Exhibition Award, with Rebecca Edwards and Moraig McKenna.



When the River Runs Dry by Lea Durie

Lea Durie from Braidwood was Awarded the Craft ACT Exhibition Award, at the Canberra Potters Society 2020 Members' Exhibition, which was opened on the evening of the 12 November 2020 by guest speaker Rebecca Edwards (Sid and Fiona Myer Curator of Ceramics and Design, NGA). Awards were judged by Moraig McKenna (Potter, Old Saint Luke's Studio).

Fire & Flood exhibition at X Gallery, Bungendore



'Flood Plains' by Kate Carruthers
A joint exhibiton of painting and ceramics by Braidwood couple Kate Carruthers and Michael Warner will open at X Gallery, in Bungendore on Saturday 5th July. 'The Fire and the Flood' will open at 3pm. 32 Gibraltar St Bungendore. Open: 11am - 5pm



Notice of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM of Braidwood Regional Arts Group (BRAG) will be held on Thursday 10 December 2020, 5pm at Braidwood Arts Centre, 45 Wallace Street, Braidwood NSW.

Please note: Only paid members are eligible to vote or nominate for management committee positions. Nomination forms are available by emailing admin@bragart.com.au

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers will be limited.

If you **will** be attending, please email secretary@bragart.com.au

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Braidwood Uniting Church

Psalm 100 invites us to a life of gratitude. When was the last time you shouted for joy? You were filled with gladness? Or burst with happiness into song? Think of how it feels when you do or say something to loved ones that makes them experience one of these happy moments. Both ways, it is a wonderful feeling when we are filled with joy, gladness and song. This is how our Father in Heaven feels too. He is the one who created all the wonderful things on Earth for us to enjoy. We are His people. He made us. He is always looking after us, just as the good shepherd watches over his sheep. Even after life, He has prepared a place for us in Heaven, how very wonderful this is for us. What an outstanding gift is 'life everafter'! We need to let Him know how happy this makes us feel, and to thank Him and praise him for his goodness and faithfulness. Psalm 100 reminds us to give thanks to our God, for He is good and His love is always with us, lasting forever. From generation to generation, He is here for us. Shout for joy to the Lord, everyone, thank our Lord with gladness and sing his praises out loud, and know that the Lord is God. Joy to you from Irene Murtagh and the congregation of Braidwood Uniting Church. Catch us on Radio Church, Sundays at 6pm on Braidwood Community Radio. Weekly Garage Sale, Wednesdays 9-3. Special Event: Garage Sale Trail this Saturday, 9-2.

Farewell to Mrs. Ferlitsch

This week the St Bede's school community farewelled Mrs. Ferlitsch with a fun filled chicken themed event led by year 5. The children enjoyed games and activities and a few words acknowledging Trish and her many years of dedication to Catholic Education.



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Spurious Speculation

I am sure many of us have heard the saying; 'We'll cross that bridge when we come to it!' or 'He or she will never die wondering!' These kinds of statements reflect our complex personalities, our desire for exploration, information and answers to the great challenges of life and living. The statements may also reflect the type of person we are. Are we simple uncomplicated, consistent types, or are we complex, unfathomable and variable personalities? Are we adaptable or rigidly fixed in our actions and habits?

The type of environment we were raised in or live in now may well have impacted or influenced the way we think now. Perhaps we prefer to live in the past where everything seemed safe, secure, protective and non-threatening, a kind of security blanket if you like. Yet other people prefer the excitement and experimentation of living in the moment or present, the live each day as if it were your last types. Finally, some folks live in the doubtful and speculative realm of the future. Here the mind becomes an inventive creator of dreams, hopes and wishes that may just be possible and yet only occasionally do they come to fruition or reach fulfilment.

We should not allow ourselves to engage in spurious speculation as we cannot live in one dimension all the time. We all need a past, present and future perspective for faith and living. Spurious speculation solely about the future is borne of anxiety, fear and uncertainty. Fixation with the present has more to do with indulgence than eternity. To be locked into the past is a recipe for disappointment and staleness. In 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, along with many preceding chapters, we see a consistent pattern from the Apostle Paul. Paul demonstrated that he had learnt from past experiences, lived productively in the present but significantly, he never lost sight of future glory. The letter to Thessalonica reflects Paul's appreciation of the past, applied to the present, and projected into aspirations for the future. Note particularly verse 2 which reads;



"For you yourselves know very well that the 'Day of the Lord' will come like a thief in the night." Now this idea of 'The Day of the Lord' was not some new concoction or some recent thought bubble because pictures of the Second Coming have their roots and background in the Old Testament. (For research look up Isaiah 22:5 or 13:9; Amos 5:18; Zephaniah 1:14-16; Jeremiah 30:7; Malachi 4:1 and Joel 2:31.)

The characteristics of the OT 'Day of the Lord' are not dissimilar to those recorded in Thessalonians 5 about the Coming of Christ. First, the only certainty was the uncertainty of the timing, for it would come suddenly and unexpectedly. Second, there would be a cosmic upheaval with the universe shaken to its very foundations. Finally, it would be a time of judgement and all this translates into the Second Coming of Christ. The main lesson to be learned from Paul is to be ready and prepared. We are encouraged to walk in the light as opposed to darkness. We are on alert to stay awake and be ready. Engaging in spurious speculations about matters of timing is a lost cause, God is not so stupid as to tell us all the exact details that mitigate against responsible faith, being ready or prepared.

With many Australians at breaking point, Vinnies Christmas Appeal will support families through a Christmas like no other

David* is a hardworking man, and like many Australians looks forward to celebrating Christmas with his family. However, when COVID-19 hit, his employers closed their doors and overnight he became job-less, and he and his family are experiencing poverty for the first time as a result.

Now, David looks to the festive period with dread and fear as he is unable to celebrate the time with his loved ones as they normally do.

Vinnies Christmas Appeal is aiming to raise \$300,000 in the Canberra/Goulburn region to support families in need.

"Christmas already puts pressure on families that are experiencing difficulties. Besides the normal stressors of bills, food, rent payments and more, there are the added difficulties of paying for a Christmas meal and presents to celebrate with some normalcy," said John Feint, President of the St Vincent de Paul Society Canberra/Goulburn.

"With an extreme number of job losses, recent reduction in government support, the end of the eviction moratorium and the economy in recession, this festive period will be one of the most different and difficult in years," said Mr Feint. Over this festive period, Vinnies will need to provide more food and financial support than ever before.

"It's not just the food we provide, but the sense of security that comes with it that makes this support so important," said Mr Feint.

Getting in contact with his local Vinnies store after the recommendation from a friend, David was able to receive a food hamper as well as a Woolworths voucher and a fuel card. David won't be the only one experiencing a Christmas like this.

"It is crucial that those who can lend their support to Vinnies heading into the festive season do so," said Mr Feint. Vinnies wants this to be a Christmas like no other for all the right reasons. Last Christmas, Vinnies Canberra/Goulburn provided 2,203 Christmas hampers to families in the region.

Donations to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal 2020 can be made at vinnies.org.au, phoning 13 18 12, or at your local Vinnies shop.

Travelling to the Bay ?

Telstra is upgrading its mobile network around Batemans Bay with work to take place over 6 days commencing 23/11/2020. The mobile service may be impacted at various times during this period. For latest info visit outages.telstra.com.au

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GARDENING with Wanda Egan

Watch out for mildew on your pumpkins, zucchinis and cucumbers, roses, Crepe Myrtle and Hydrangeas. Spray regularly with 1 part full cream milk to 10 parts water if mildew starts to occur. You will need to reapply after rain and heavy dews.

I have started to collect my poppy seed heads for next year and to give away. I place the mature heads in a brown paper bag and place in a dry, sunny and hot position for a month. The seeds fall straight into the bag ready for someone to receive. I also do this to my Wall flowers, Aquilegia or Columbines to share around. Be sure to let some self-seed back down to maintain plant numbers in your garden.

Move any of your potted plants into a bit of shade before the summer heat comes. They may still need to be watered every second day or so and remember to liquid fertilise these plants regularly (monthly) too.

Be sure to succession plant your favourite vegetables, planting a new crop every couple of weeks. This will give you a longer supply. Corn, lettuce, Asian greens are all great examples. Liquid fertilise your vegetables every 2 weeks with worm juice, Seasol or a liquid seaweed solution to help kick them along. If your coriander is 'bolting' to seed allow a few plants to set seed which falls to the ground. I find that allowing them to do this gives us an almost endless supply of fresh coriander all year. We let the coriander grow where ever it chooses.

Dead head roses and dahlias through summer to promote longer flowering times and more flowers.

Cut back your bottle brush and other natives as the finish flowering. Cut the spent flowers off each stem or tip prune smaller bushes. This will make them bushier and not so leggy in their growth habit. Also cut back lavender after this flush of flowers. Cut Kangaroo paw flowers and take indoors for a very long flower display.

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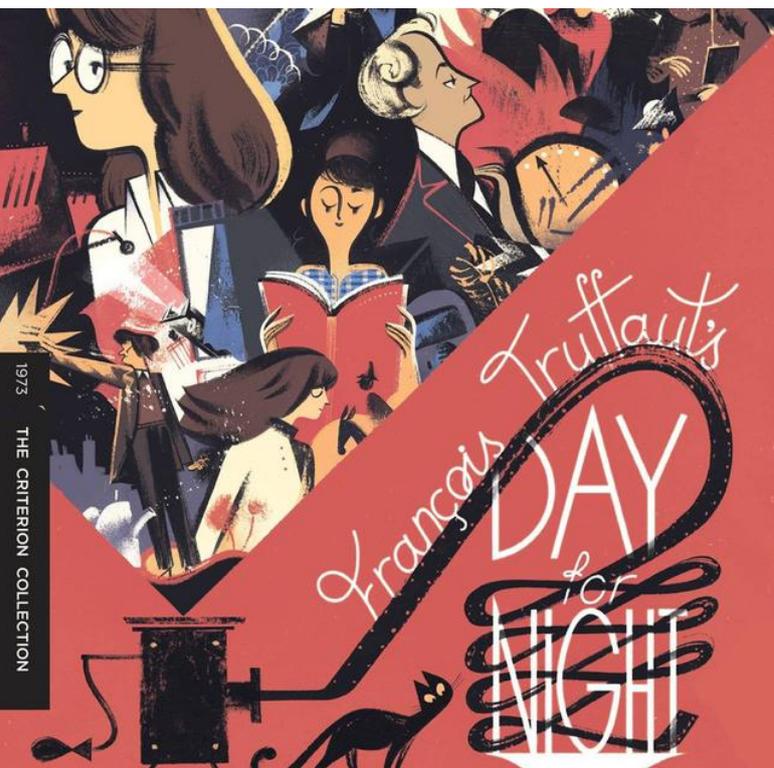
Braidwood CWA



Braidwood Apex

On Thursday last week, the Braidwood Community Bank Branch welcomed representatives from Braidwood CWA, Braidwood APEX and Braidwood Men's Shed to receive a Certificate of Appreciation and \$500 donation to their group. This ceremony in the past takes place at the Palerang Financial Services AGM, however, as this year's AGM will be virtual, Plan B had to take place. The staff at the branch discussed between themselves who they would like to nominate, the hardest thing is that there are so many deserved groups in the community it made for a very tough decision.

Braidwood Film Club



Saturday 21 November, 8.00pm

Day for Night (La Nuit Americaine)

Still no shared meal, but can bring snacks and drinks - no kitchen availability. We need contact details on entry. Day for Night is an absolutely ingratiating film that mixes spicy comedy with astute observations on human nature. It exudes all the enchantment, zaniness, and transitory pleasures that are the essence of the movie-making business. Truffaut shares a little secret with us: wonder is at the heart of this entire enterprise. To join just turn up at screening.



NFF releases new 'I Love Farmers' t-shirt for National Agriculture Day

Due to popular demand, Australians can now show their support for farmers by owning their very own limited release 'I Love Farmers' t-shirt. The special 'I Love Farmers' collection also features a trucker cap, apron, tote bag and bumper sticker and is now available. National Agriculture Day, on Friday 20 November.

"A small run of the collection was originally released for those who supported AgDay in 2019," NFF President Fiona Simson said. "After Aussies saw celebrities like Samantha Armytage, Matt Moran and NRL players donning the 'I Love Farmers' kit last AgDay, we were inundated with requests from people wanting to know where they could get the t-shirt to show their appreciation for farmers.

"We decided to increase our order and offer the products for sale to everyone, with all the profits going towards AgDay and other initiatives to better connect Australians with the people behind the food and fibre we all rely on.

"It's heart-warming to know that lots of the interest in the t-shirts has come from Australians in the city. It demonstrates what we know and that is that farmers and rural Australia hold a special place in the hearts of many."

However, despite this affinity, research by the NFF shows to 63% of Australians feel some level of disconnect with agriculture.

"A symptom of this disconnect was the COVID-induced panic buying we saw at the start of the pandemic," Ms Simson said.

"Many shoppers stockpiled food, seemingly unaware of our nation's food production capacity: every year our farmers produce two thirds more than our population can consume. "Through initiatives such as AgDay, the NFF is committed to closing the gap between city and country."

"The 'I Love Farmers' products are affordably priced, with the main goal being to get as many people as possible celebrating farmers and the wonderful food and fibre they produce, not just on National AgDay, but every day," Ms Simson said.



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Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Annual General Meeting

The Upper Shoalhaven Landcare AGM will be hosted in person and via zoom on 27th November starting 5pm at Vanilla @ Altenburg (Cafe behind the Altenberg Gallery 104 Wallace St Braidwood) All Landcare members are invited to attend. We are limited to a (in person) gathering of 20 so RSVP is essential. Cost, for those attending in person, will be \$10 pp, payable on the night. (dinner is included)

RSVP to: E: upper.shoalhaven@gmail.com or P: 0423 015 291



Braidwood Clean Energy will hold its **AGM** Sunday 22 November 4pm at the Smokey Horse (opposite the Museum and Ryrie Park).

The business part will be concise. BCE has been dormant for some months, and I am looking to revive it with a focus on core projects - a local solar PV farm and a 'water battery', also known as off-river pumped-hydro storage. I would not expect the Committee to need to meet very often, as much of the work will be in the background, investigating feasibility etc. The goal is cheaper, more resilient electricity supply with zero carbon emissions, and a more resilient community. Sustainable Braidwood is doing a great job of raising community involvement and they provide a great context in which BCE can work. We will be looking for a committee member or two, so raise your hand if interested in a not-very-onerous role in a great project.

Geoff Davies

Braidwood Farmers' Market Dates
NOVEMBER 21 & DECEMBER 5 & 19

Braidwood Ryrie Park Market
NOVEMBER 28th

Lions Christmas Cakes at the Community Bank
Lions Christmas Cakes available for purchase in the branch. 1kg -\$13, 1.5kg -\$17

ARALUEN FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday,
5 December 2020 from 11am
Hosted by Araluen Sports Day Assoc.
A day of fun for all Santa, Games, Food,
Jumping Castle, Mechanical Bull

Braidwood Hospital Auxiliary 'mini fete'

The Braidwood Hospital Auxiliary Mini Fete will be held at the Monthly Ryrie Park Market on Saturday 28th November. There will be plants, books, white elephant & collectables (but no cakes). Donations accepted on the day

Community Bank
Braidwood and Bungendore
Bendigo Bank

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of the members of

Palerang Financial Services Ltd

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**zoom.us online video conference platform
at 6.30pm (AEDST) on**

Thursday, 26 November 2020

There will be no physical gathering for PFSL
Directors & Shareholders PFSL

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1/19 Park Lane Braidwood NSW 2622

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GET READY at Braidwood Market Day

Sat 28 November from 9am Ryrie Park
Chat to local RFS brigade members about the upcoming fire season. We can help you with resources and advice about preparing your property, and making plans. We'll have a fire truck on site for the kids, and big kids, to have a closer look at too.

Nerriga Produce Market

1st Sunday of the Month

Weekly Garage Sale Braidwood Uniting Church

Every Wednesday 9-3
cnr Duncan & Monkittee St

ASDA FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday, 5 December 2020 from 11am

Hosted by Araluen Sports Day Assoc.

A day of fun for all Santa Games Food

Jumping Castle Mechanical Bull

Braidwood Scout Mega Car Boot Sale

At the Scout hall grounds

Saturday 21st November

9am to 2pm.

If you would like to book a free site, please contact

Louise on llcole76@gmail.com.

Get in quick as sites are limited.

We are accepting donations of items to sell on our Scout stall with all funds raised going back to the Group.

We will be having a cake stall and our famous egg and bacon rolls will be available to buy all day.

Come along and pick up a bargain or two.

This event is part of the Garage Sale Trail.

This event will have a COVID safe plan in place to ensure the safety of all visitors.



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GARAGE SALE

Saturday 28th November 2020 9am to 2pm

22 Salvia Lane, Araluen

2 x lawn bowl sets; extension ladder; hydraulic jack; electric mulcher; metal car ramps; kitchen stuff; books; and other sundry items.

TWO Fires Festival AGM.

Two Fires are doing things a bit differently in 2020/21 from past years. You might like to hear about it, and be part of it? Two Fires celebrates poet Judith Wright's passion for Indigenous rights, the Arts and Environment.

Details: 4pm, Thursday 26 November @ Services Club Function Room, Coronation Ave, Braidwood. Please let us know if you're interested in being a Committee member.

We are also encouraging a Friends of 2 Fires

Gundillion Events Cancelled

It is very regrettable that the Annual Gundillion Christmas Stall help in Braidwood on the 28th November has been cancelled due to the COVID restrictions. These restrictions apply to the Gundillion Hall which is on Crown Land. Due to these restrictions we are unable to use the facilities of the Gundillion Hall in the preparation of the cooking, wrapping and selling of our Christmas cakes/puddings. Also, with these restrictions the Annual Children's Christmas Party held at the Gundillion Hall in December has been cancelled. We hope everyone has a safe and healthy Christmas and we will be back in 2021. Di Izzard.

BRAIDWOOD SHOW SOCIETY

The Braidwood Show Committee have made the difficult decision not to hold the 2021 Braidwood Show on the 6th March. It was unanimously agreed the risk of holding a show under a COVID – cloud was too great. A number of factors were weighed up, these include:

- The need to keep spectators and show participants safe
- The managing of COVID19 requirements which would be an additional cost and staffing
- Sponsorship after the year Braidwood has had with drought/fire
- Pressure on our volunteers
- No Insurance cover for transmissible viruses

The Committee if restrictions have been lifted are planning a Community Event later in 2021 and also planning a bigger celebration for the 2022 Show.

Di Izzard, Secretary

Majors Creek cancellations

Hello residents & friends, due to Covid-19 & the restrictions that apply to the use of public facilities, the Progress Association has decided the following:

- cancellation of the annual Christmas Party
- cancellation of the N.Y.'s Eve celebration dance

- cancellation of 2021 New Year's Day picnic
The committee regrets these actions, sincere apologies to everyone. Let's hope into 2021 a better social climate ensues. A safe & happy festive season to all. Braidwood

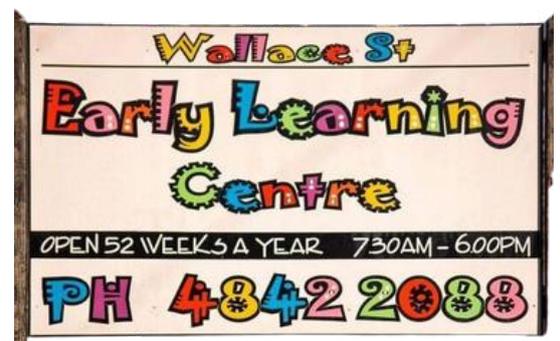
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YOGA Pose of the Week

with Christina Jagusiak

To practice - Lie on the stomach with the arms crossed underneath the chest and hold the upper arms with the hands. Position the feet hip width apart and tuck the toes under. Place the chin on the floor if comfortable or have the head slightly raised and gaze forward. Keep the elbows and knees firmly planted into the floor and raise the torso and buttocks so that the shoulders are above the elbows and the torso is parallel to the floor.

Engage the core, then as you exhale extend the hips up and lower the chin and chest towards the floor behind the forearms. Hold for a few seconds then reverse the movement by coming through the parallel position then lowering the torso down to once again lie on the stomach with the arms crossed underneath the chest.

Practice up to 10 rounds.

Lizzard Pose - Utthan prishthasana

A great pose to tone and strengthen the abdominal muscles and diaphragm. Stretching the neck, shoulders, back and chest. Beneficial for posture.



Cheque donation to Braidwood Hospital Auxiliary



Braidwood Lions, Hospital Auxiliary members and Robin Tennant Wood at the Braidwood MPS.

Braidwood Lions on behalf of the Queanbeyan Lions Club present a cheque for \$500 to the Braidwood Hospital Auxiliary last week. A couple of months ago Robin Tennant Wood had donated all the leftover books from Miss Ruby's Bookshop to the Lions Community Bookshop in Queanbeyan and in return, they offered to make a donation to a local charity of her choice. Robin chose the Braidwood Hospital Auxiliary "as I figured you couldn't hold the fete this year, so every dollar raised counts" she said.

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Country Cricket returns to Goulburn

In partnership with Cricket NSW, Goulburn Mulwaree Council welcomes the return of representative cricket to regional NSW, as Goulburn plays host to the 2020 Cricket NSW McDonald's Country Championships – Southern Pool.

The event was secured under Council's Event Development Funding Policy and its focus on attracting, delivering, staging and promoting a broad range of sporting events. Council's Mayor, Bob Kirk, is excited to welcome the event back to Goulburn after hosting the Championships in 2019.

"This event certainly furthers the City's reputation as a premier sporting destination in New South Wales. Events like these are a huge boost for our region, not only in allowing our players to enjoy competing at a high level at home, but also as a benefit to our economy.

"Council is investing significantly in a number of capital works projects at the moment, and I am pleased to note that the Seiffert Oval Grandstand (Max Hadlow Stand) refurbishment has been completed in time for the McDonald's Country Championships."

Cricket NSW Chief Executive Lee Germon said he was delighted that the Goulburn Mulwaree Council will host the Southern Pool of the Men's NSW McDonald's Country Championships.

"This will be the first representative cricket event staged in regional NSW, highlighting a growing optimism that life and sport are beginning to return to normal despite the global coronavirus pandemic," Mr Germon said.

"Cricket is part of the fabric of our nation and our state so to have the best cricketers from right across southern NSW coming together to play these Championships is a cause for celebration.

"It will be great for the local Goulburn District Cricket Association Woolworths Cricket Blast, Junior and Senior cricketers to see high level country cricketers in their own back yard.

"Teams from Riverina, Western, Greater Illawarra and ACT Southern Districts will compete, bringing significant economic activity to the Goulburn region.

"Cricket NSW would particularly like to thank the Goulburn Mulwaree Council for their encouragement and support staging this significant regional tournament and for their work to make it a COVID safe event."

According to Tourism Research Australia's National Average Spend and the number of people involved in the event, it is estimated that this event will provide an economic benefit in excess of \$280,000 to the local economy. The Championship carnival will see some of the southern region's best cricketers battle it out in a number of feature matches.



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Braidwood Golf Club News

Golf Dinner Saturday 12th at 7pm will again be catered by Vanilla Catering. A great social evening for both members and their guests while acknowledging the winners and runners-up of various events throughout the year. The arrangements for dinner will be dependent COVID restrictions, however the price will be \$40 per head. An attendance sheet will be up on the noticeboard soon, please put your names on the list if you are interested in attending. Payment will be required at the time of booking.

Results:

Saturday November 14th:

Men's Single Stableford Kerry Noble Trophy,
Women's Single Stableford Hyland Trophy -
many thanks to both Kerry and Margy for your
generosity

Winner: Ted Emmett 41pts, Runner up: Michael
Toirkens 38pts, Ball Comp: 37 Rod Coady, Scott
Gwinn, 35 Tom Duffy, 34 Steve Cansell, Nelson
Sargent, Andrew Clark.

Winner: Donna Kuhn 37pts c/b, Runner up:
Maree Uren, 37pts c/b, Ball Comp: Lorinda,
Stuart, Barb Stuart.

Handicaps Changes: M. Toirkens down 5, T.
Emmett down 19, N. Sargent down 9 S, Gwinn
down 25, M. Uren down 30, K. Noble up 22.

NEXT WEEK: Saturday November 21, Stroke,
Women's: Judy Scott Trophy and Men's: Gordon
Scott Trophy. This is the daily event for everyone
and the annual Medal of Medals will be played in
conjunction with this event for those who have
qualified: Rod Royds, Keith Morgan,
Leigh Curtis, Ted Emmett, Don Burke, Mark
Newman, Nelson Sargent, Terry Hughes, Tom
Duffy, Michael Toirkens, Donna Kuhn, Jackie Clark,
Robin Tennant Wood, Di Freeman, Margy Gardner
- good luck to all the medal winners this year.

Coming Events

Sat Nov 28: Medley 2BBB Kirsten &
Andrew Buchan Trophy

Saturday December 5:

Bev Cain Memorial Day Medley Stabrose 3
Ball

Saturday December 12:

Men's & Women's Stroke (Monthly Medals)
Christmas Hamper. Golf Dinner &
Presentation Night

Saturday December 19:

Committee Meeting 10.30am. 3 Person
Ambrose Cross Country (Shotgun Start)
12.30 Hit off - All Players Mark & Sherilee
Newman Trophy

Saturday December 26: Boxing Day

Medley Irish Stableford 3 Ball. 12.30 Hit off
- All players.

