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20 MAY
7.30 pm
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This is a double celebration issue for the JCG. First, it is our 4th Birthday. Second, this issue is a record 32 pages.

We started in 1995 with 10 pages and now we have reached a size that must be unprecedented for any local community magazine produced by voluntary effort in a village the size of Bundanoon.

Not that we have tried deliberately to increase in size. On the contrary, more pages means more cost, and more work in writing and production. We may have over-reached ourselves. We don't know yet. We will have to wait and see.

What is truly remarkable is that the pressure for JCG to increase in size has come, in the main, from our advertisers and page sponsors to whom we are very grateful, as they pay the costs of producing the magazine.

YES! Another Concert

Following the enormously popular performance by the Sydney Welsh Choir (sold-out weeks ahead), we are staging another fine concert for your enjoyment. We have chosen to present the renowned Berrima Singers under the direction of Ian Cooper.

This group of approximately 20 voices is considered the finest vocal ensemble in our region and performs regularly both locally and further afield, so we know you will enjoy their varied programme. The high standard of guest artists supporting the singers will ensure an afternoon of wonderful musical enjoyment.

Terry Sloan, our resident bass baritone, acclaimed for his many appearances around the State, brings a wealth of experience including a period spent with the Scottish Opera.

Susannah Pinter, a highly qualified Sydney based clarinetist, is respected in the music world in both contemporary and classical music styles.

Our own well known pianists, Nan Thomson and Margaret Vooght will share the piano stool and delight us with duets - a rare treat these days.



Come along, bring your friends for an afternoon of fine music making, enjoy a friendly afternoon tea and meet these very creative artists.

When? 2.30 pm, Sunday 23 May 1999 Where? Memorial Hall, Bundanoon How Much? \$10

Tickets available from Bundanoon Post Office, Bundanoon Pharmacy, Brown Bookshop, Bowral.



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BCDA President's Comments

By Mark Corbett

The continued increase in size of the JCG over four years is a reflection of Bundanoon's present buoyancy. We are now a very busy small town and the new committee elected at the BCDA's AGM in February is going to have their hands full this year.

I must thank the members of the old committee and congratulate the new members. In particular I welcome Gale Pritchett who was the most grievously injured of the Wingello bush fire victims. She is still recovering and has shown immense courage. She has come to live in Bundanoon and asked how she could best serve the community in return for the assistance given to her and her husband Frank, who is also still disabled after the tragedy. She was unanimously voted as Assistant Secretary of the BCDA. Thank you Gale.

We have had a highly successful start to this year with the Sydney Welsh Choir singing to a packed house in the Memorial Hall. We now look forward to the Berrima Singers on 23 May and those splendid Movie Nights will at last become a regular feature to see us through the winter and spring evenings.

Michael Flint has acquired and installed theatrical lighting on the rebuilt hall stage. Our guest Speaker at the BCDA's Quarterly Meeting on 20 May will be Jan Howe, former ABC TV producer. Jan was the first producer of ABC TV's Bananas in Pyjamas and now runs a TV/Video training production business in Bowral. She is also very keen on theatrical production and she will talk about the potential for using our rebuilt stage. Jan and Michael hope to demonstrate the capabilities of our new stage lighting at the Quarterly Meeting.

Michael - as our Membership Secretary - and his wife Coralie, have been busy producing a magnificent Welcome Kit for new residents to the town. They have already presented a number of copies, each accompanied by a jar of Bundanoon honey to some new residents. Copies of the kit will be available for inspection by existing residents at the Quarterly Meeting. However, we do need to know who the new residents are, so will everyone who learns of a newcomer to the town please ring Michael on 4883 6588 so that he can present them with a Welcome Kit and also enrol them as members of BCDA.

The Welcome Kit was funded by a community grant for \$1750 from the Shire Council. We must thank the Council for two more community grants this year: the first, for \$5000 towards a BMX track and skating rink; and the other, for \$4000 for fire protection upgrading of the Memorial Hall. Both are very welcome.

We have been having discussions with the Lions Club, Quest for Life and Dr Phillip Knowles to see what links we have in common that would enable us to co-operate on new projects in Bundanoon. For example, at our March BCDA meeting Petrea King of Quest for Life suggested that until we have available our proposed new commercial kitchen in the Hall, where we intend to conduct basic training catering courses for young people, we might care to consider using the new kitchens at Killarney when they are completed, to initiate some training courses of the type we have in mind. Thank you Petrea.

Please make all effort to attend our Quarterly Meeting on 20 May.

BCDA AGM

On the 18 February 1999, the BCDA held its Annual General Meeting which was well attended. The new office bearers for this year are as follows:

President
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Mark Corbett
Valerie Crampton
Ray Wheatley
Sue Marshall
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Dale Chalmers
Michael Flint
Norma Davies

Councillor David Lemerle was kind enough to preside over the elections, and also gave a short talk and answered questions from the audience with regard to the plans for Bundanoon. He complimented Bundanoon residents on their enthusiasm and interest in the town planning, and it is to be hoped that once the Minister has given his approval, work can get started on the beautification of our lovely village.

Sue Marshall BCDA Secretary

MEMORIAL HALL UPDATE

At the time of writing, it is anticipated that essential new stage lighting will have been installed for demonstration at our Quarterly Meeting on Thursday, 20 May.

Six frontal spot lights and four on-stage flood lights constitute the initial installation, with dimmer equipment to follow as funds become available.

Stage dressing will be improved shortly after, with the addition of curtains to mask the new wing spaces, together with a secondary drawn curtain across the back of the stage.

Local and visiting groups will soon enjoy a much more professional stage presentation.

Take Note 🎜

Many have expressed a hope that one day we may have in our own hall a Grand Piano, enabling us to attract musicians of the highest calibre to entertain us.

Well, it's on the way!

A fund has been established so that this dream can come true. The proceeds from our next concert on Sunday 23 May will launch this very worthwhile project.

Michael Flint BCDA Membership Secretary

Winter in Budapest



Bundanoon music teachers, Pauline and Les Strasser, on Winter holiday in Budapest have made an unusual discovery. It is called a Trabby.

Pauline has written to friends in Bundanoon about a remarkable vehicle that is all the rage in Budapest.

"There is a make of vehicle here that is very cheap, very light and economical, and leaves a trail of stinking black smoke from its exhaust. It is very popular and I predict it will live even longer when petrol prices go up from \$1.50 per litre to the proposed \$1.75.

This is vehicle is called a Trabby. Its body is made from compressed cardboard. That is why it is so light. One can hear its two-stroke engine chuffing away as it starts, and of course one can see where it has come from by the smoke. (That is a bit exaggerated).

One was parked outside our building. The snow was thick on the ground and equally thick upon the roof tops. Most roofs are fitted with some sort of guard against falling snow.

For two nights my sleep was interrupted by a creaking, banging and crunching as icy snow broke away from the mass on the roofs.

Finally it happened - a large bang occurred, there was a ripping and creaking sound when a large lump of ice fell through the roof of the Trabby. The hole was more than a foot across, the roof cracked to the other side and the iceberg that fell, lay on the back seat!

The car was like that, with the gaping hole until the next day when its owner found it, patched it up with a large piece of card-board and plastic sheet and strapped it all on and drove away!"

A Place For All Seasons:

Winter in Bundanoon

We who have chosen to live in Bundanoon (or nearby Southern Villages) are lucky people - even if we don't always recognise or admit to it. Here we are, within easy reach of two large rural centres, Bowral and Goulburn, a mere 2 hours drive (or train ride) to Sydney, a similar journey time to Canberra, an hour or so away from South Coast surfing beaches, the majestic Morton National Park on our doorstep, rolling green hills (occasionally brown, perhaps!) all around us . . . the list could go on.

And the climate? This must be one of the best climatic regions in Australia - if not the world! We are blessed with a moderate annual rainfall and four distinct seasons. Spring in Bundanoon with its blossom and burgeoning green buds and Autumn with its richness of leaf colour both stand tall in comparison with similar areas one could nominate. Summer days are seldom oppressively hot and even then the evenings are often refreshingly cool, but the hidden gem of all four seasons when you really think about it is probably Winter.

Winter here in Bundanoon, as we've attempted to illustrate on our front page, can be a season of wonder and delight. It's the time of year when others (notably from Sydney) like to visit us. Why do they come? Is it the lure of those cold, clear, starlit nights and the welcome of blazing log fires within, or the beckoning conviviality, perhaps of a make believe "Christmas" in a 'Southern Highlands' Winter, or the sheer exhilaration of an early morning walk with the crunch of frost underfoot? No doubt these are some of the factors, but why else do they come? Could it be something to do with the romance and nostalgia Bundanoon has to offer - the still recognisable signs of a former era, the distinctive architecture of the early 1900's to be seen along the shopfronts in Railway Parade, and here and there, still standing, an old guesthouse to bring back memories or visions of an age gone by?

Romantic, nostalgic Bundanoon in winter: there you have it, of course. And, by the way, let's not forget we still have folk in our midst who can relate personally to some of Bundanoon's colourful past - people like Lucy Rocca of the History Group and Garden Club, Isabel Greason and Ross Counsell to name but three. They can still recount vividly details of life in an earlier Bundanoon, and, in so doing, are able to enrich the lives of all of us today - from one Winter to the next, in fact!

By John Royal

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Bundanoon Welcome Kit

All new residents to Bundanoon in future are due for a surprise visit.

Some time after they move in, Michael Flint, BCDA's Membership Secretary, will knock on the door and present them with the BCDA's new 'Welcome Kit', and a jar of Gullys End, Bundanoon honey.

The splendid new 'Welcome Kit', funded by a Shire Council grant of \$1750, has been compiled voluntarily by Michael Flint and his wife Coralie.

It is a wonderful package in a blue leather-grained card folder, embossed in gold Gallicised italics: "Bundanoon... a place in the heart". Coralie's skill as a calligraphist adds an artistic touch to the mass of information in the folder.

Inside, is a message of 'welcome' from our President, Mark Corbett, written in copperplate on parchment-coloured paper, and a "Background" on Bundanoon's history is set out in handwritten italics on a blue page.

The folder contains a comprehensive list and pamphlets of all the shops, businesses and services in the town; the clubs and organisations; and support information such as a street map and bus and train timetables. Everything a new-comer needs to know.

Finally, of course, there is an application form to join the BCDA.

NB: In order to distribute these kits Michael needs to know who the new residents are. So, if you learn of any newcomers to the town please ring Michael Flint on 4883 6588.

A Town Piper

Because of the town's association with Brigadoon, Michael Flint, ever enterprising, is exploring the possibility of having a Town Piper to pipe a welcome to residents or visitors on special occasions such as our annual community dinner. More in our next issue.

A BundanoonBackdrop

Taplorers are on record as having been in this area as early as 1798; however, the earliest records we have of Bundaroom seem to be about 1838. The original settlers in the 1860's were followed by these working on the nitiway and in the mines and quarries during the 1870's, 80's and 90's Known as Jordan's Crossing until 1881, Bundaroom supplied sandstone for railway track bullast, bridges and euthers, limber for sleepers and coal to fluch the steme engines. Many visitors found that Bundaroom was an ideal place for a holiday home but 300m chase to live here permanently. Since then, tourism

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BUNDANOON VISITORS GROUP

As an introduction, BVG is a sub-group of the BCDA and our members are simply people with an interest in tourism and in encouraging visitors to Bundanoon. It was formed initially due to the efforts of Chris Dwyer and Rose Figtree, who saw a need for a promotional brochure for the town. It is now available in its revised form and is used by Tourism Southern Highlands, accommodation houses and local retail outlets to provide information about our attractions.

Mary Aveling has been a motivating force and, with her commitment and enthusiasm for Bundanoon, has held the group together. We have approximately 30 members and we hold regular dinner meetings at member's properties. This is a congenial way for people, interested in hospitality, to get together to discuss projects which will enhance the attraction of our town. For example, have you wondered how our information bay actually has information which is of use to visitors, and how we got a rebuilt information sign at the railway? These were two of the initiatives of BVG. We were able to provide most of the funding and with the support of Tourism Southern Highlands and BCDA were able to organise to have them constructed.

Peter Rocca has been working on a leaflet for visitors outlining cycle paths and walks and a brief history of Bundanoon. John Granger has produced architectural drawings to support improvements to our streetscape and to overcome the ongoing problems of our oversized kerbs and constantly wet gutters. When a matter such as this is taken up by BVG it is then referred to BCDA for endorsement. It is hoped that these ideas will be incorporated in our future town plan as Council's consultant architect is at present working on this part of the project.

Our major fund raising event is an information tent and food stall at Brigadoon in conjunction with Tourism Southern Highlands. Funds raised on that day provide our main source of income for the next year.

The most important function of the BVG is to provide a network of people interested in attracting visitors to Bundanoon, ensuring they will enjoy a warm welcome and through introductions from restaurants, cafes, shops, estate agents and accommodation houses be able to find other attractions which are not immediately obvious on arrival in town.

With continued effort we hope to have Bundanoon recognised as the most desirable destination in the Highlands and to encourage visitors who will appreciate its natural beauty, its hidden attractions and its intrinsic spirit of community.

Contact Bundanoon Art Gallery for our next dinner meeting date, if you would like to join us!

Pamela Davies





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On Sunday, 21 March 1999, Bundanoon was treated to a wonderful experience - the glorious voices of the Sydney Welsh Choir. Our Memorial Hall resounded to a variety of songs, from classics, film and show favourites, hymns, and of course the ever popular

The choir's Musical Director, Margaret Hughes, instilled such enthusiasm into her choir. We were held captive watching her swaying and moving in time to the music. Apart from her expert leadership, she also cleverly organised the choir's movement on and off stage by telling jokes made all the more enjoyable with her Welsh áccent.

We were also treated to songs by Diane Atkinson, a soprano who gave two performances during the programme. Again, the audience was captivated by the purity of her voice and her obvious love of singing sadly she will be leaving the choir shortly, so it was a special privilege to have heard her.

In the second half of the programme, the choir's President, Clive Woosnam, told a Dylan Thomas story, aptly titled "A Story" which was great fun. It involved a number of different characters, each one with a distinctive voice, and was very much appreciated by everyone in the audience.

The hall was filled to capacity, over 260 tickets having been sold, and I have no doubt that everyone there was thrilled by the more than two hours of entertainment.

All in all, it was a not-to-be-missed experience, which we hope to repeat in the not too distant future. Congratulations are due to Brad Parker who organised the event, together with Michael Flint and his merry band of helpers on the day. It is hoped that musical performances will become a regular event in the hall, and already the Berrima Singers, together with solo performers, have been booked for the 23 May.

Sue Marshall

Joanna Gash Federal Member for Gilmore

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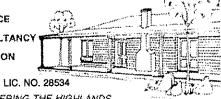
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As always at this time of year the P & C has been mainly concerned with preparing our contribution for the annual 'Bundanoon is Brigadoon' Highland Gathering, The Gathering is our major fund raising activity for the year and generates the bulk of our income.

Through the funds that we raise on the day the P & C has been able to make significant contributions to our local school's resources. With the co-operation of Principal Lynn Fraser, the P & C last year targeted its contributions towards the support of literacy and mathematics programs, and everyone in the school community will be working hard to see that this goal is realised.

The school has been invited to participate in the annual Garden Ramble, and as anyone familiar with our school will know, its grounds and natural surroundings must surely rank as one of the best of the shire's schools.

Unfortunately such extensive grounds need a lot of work and the school and the P & C have already started organising volunteers and working bees. If you're a keen gardener and would like to lend a hand please come along. Our school's weekly newsletter is usually available in the local post office and information on our activities can be obtained there by contacting the school.

At Bundanoon we take the "C" in P & C seriously and believe that the school is an integral and important part of the community. Any parents and citizens with an interest in supporting public education are more than welcome to come along and take part in our activities. We meet at 7.00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month (except school holidays), in the Administration building at the school. So, if you're interested in 'coming back to school', please be assured of a warm welcome.

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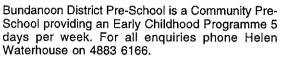
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For information call: Katrina on 4883 6183 or Tina on 4884 4480

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Bundanoon Primary School

Student Representative Council

Responsibility, rolemodelling, representation. Could we be referring to young people? You bet! If you believed Australia's press, politicians and pessimists you'd think people under 25 are allergic to social commitment. Well, you'd be wrong. Year 6 students at Bundanoon Primary School aggressively competed to be a student of the Student Pagessively Council. to become members of the Student Representative Council. And it's not the high salary and travel bonuses that lure them. Sure, they get to wear a badge and talk to the press but it's not all sparkle and glitterati.

The most formidable part of the job, according to the councillors, is having to be role models. They were chosen by the student body after vying in a speech competition last year. So everybody knows them. Each fortnight they run the school assembly, acting as MC's and handing out the Merit Certificates awarded by teachers to individual students. Occasionally they put on a play or run fundraising skip-a-thons and sausage sizzles. Their high profile allows younger students to ask them for help in the playground or pass issues to them that they want raised with teachers.

Having that novel connection with the teachers is one of the council's privileges says principal Lynn Fraser. "It's an avenue for leadership and responsibility, although we actually have a very responsible group of students in this school."

The council is led by the school captains, Frances Fairbrother and Michael Giannakos, who represent the school at outside events like Anzac day. The other councillors, Esther Davis, Stevie Cheetham, Brendan Yalg, and Greg King will get into Brigadoon with the school's "Bundi Bravehearts" float and with facepainting. So, okay, maybe there is a bit of glitter involved but there's also a lot of responsibility and I have to say, they even looked as if they were enjoying it!

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LINKSIDE UPDATE

LINKSIDE AGED CARE FACILITY is a 42 bed facility which is part of the Mount Warrigal Group whose head office is in Albion Park. Linkside has acres of grounds which means it is surrounded by abundant trees, birdlife and occasionally wildlife. Linkside employs approx. 50 people from Bundanoon and nearby villages, making it one of the largest employers in the district. The staff are wonderful and caring - just like family in fact.

There are 12 independent living units. Although they are not attached to the nursing home, they are only a short distance away and connected to the nursing home staff via a call button.

There are abundant social activities for Linkside Residents. One of the most popular is "happy hour" on Friday afternoons. Our Open Day on Wednesday 24 March attracted many family and friends for a BBQ - knives and forks were abandoned for the pleasure of wrapping sausages in fresh bread and letting the sauce run down the chin.

Our aged community is precious and our residents love the 'homely' feel of Linkside. Although renovations may soon be underway, we hope to always retain the "it's just like home" feeling. Come and visit sometime - we'd love to see you. We look forward to updating Linkside news in each edition of JCG.

Judy McLoughlin - Director of Nursing

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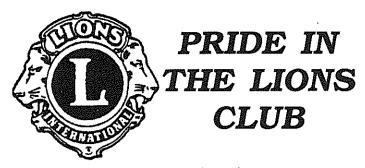
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by Margaret Brearley (Immediate Past President, Bundanoon Lions Club)

The Bundanoon Lions Club supports the BCDA's plea expressed in the February issue of JCG, for fostering "esprit de corps" in Bundanoon. We are already trying to do this.

Our local community involvement is very important to all Bundanoon Lions, and we will give all the help we can. However, as members of a large international organisation in 180 countries, we are also called upon as a branch to contribute towards the Lion's International objectives.

We support Lions International in its campaigns over the "Save Sight Foundation" dedicated to the eradication of preventable blindness throughout the world; Drug and Alcohol Awareness programmes; Diabetes Awareness; Hearing Dogs and Speech Action work with the deaf, and other health-related programmes.

Similarly we work with our other Australian Clubs on combined regional projects. Currently we are involved in fund-raising to ensure we keep our fixed-wing beach patrol aircraft on the South Coast if Government funding is withdrawn.

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Since the Bundanoon Lions Club received its Charter in 1990 we have completed many valuable projects in Bundanoon, e.g.:

Erection of a Shelter Shed at the Railway.

· Supply of picnic tables and chairs at the Information Centre.

Play-ground Equipment.

- Equipment for our local Bush Fire Brigade and Bush Fire Canteen.
- · Equipment for Linkside Nursing Home.

Carpeting for our local Preschool.

- Financial assistance and supply of food hampers for those in distress.
- Assistance at the National Clean-up Australia Day.
- Assistance with Red Cross and Red Shield door knock appeals.
- Assistance to Cancer Council's Daffodil Day Appeal.

- Assistance to Care Flight.
 Installing and caring for Smoke Alarms in the homes of elderly residents.
- · Zone Picnic for Intellectually disabled.

- Senior Citizens Christmas Party.
 Commitment to Youth development (Youth of the Year Contest).
- Overseas Exchange Students opportunity.
- Fund raising through raffles, functions and activities, cake and mint sales.
- Provision of awards and equipment for local schools.
- · Visits to other Clubs and conventions.

Fellowship, friendship and fun, all key ingredients of the Club, are essential to assist us recruit and hold members who are going to help carry out all the work we undertake.

We need new members to provide us with new and stimulating ideas. We meet every 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, and a very warm welcome awaits YOU!

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Bundanoon Sandstone

Jack & Lil Hepher - Still In Tandem!

by Mechelle Todd

Recently Jack & Lil Hepher, residents of Bundanoon since 1980 have packed their bags and moved on to their new home in Mittagong.

Jack first came to Bundanoon in 1976 when he bought Ye Olde Bicycle Shoppe, commuting from Campbelltown to open the shop on weekends and holidays. It wasn't until 1980 that they bought their house in Railway Ave and Jack and Lil settled comfortably into village life.

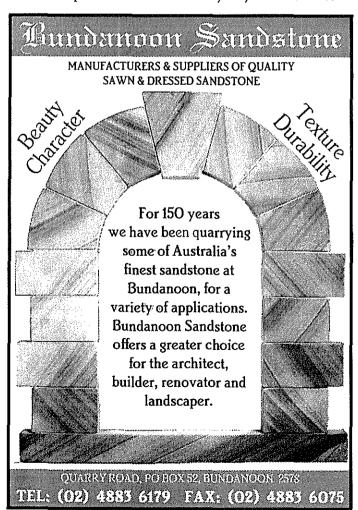
From 1976 to 1984 Jack built up the successful bike hire and repair shop, which became a focal point for visitors. Many a trip was taken to Morton National Park, down Constitution Hill, to spend the day picnicking at the park.

It was the PUSH back up the hill that I can still clearly remember! On returning to the shop Jack always asked the rider how the bike went and invariably the bike always performed very well, it was the rider who was flagging.



According to legend Jack had a board in the bike shop and whenever someone had achieved the impossible task of riding up Constitution Hill on a bike with no gears he would place their name on the board in recognition of the feat. Needless to say in the many years Jack had the shop there was only a handful of names up on the board.

Jack feels proud of his bikes' performance and condition. This stems from his long association with racing and restoring bikes. He has competed in six Goulburn to Sydney races from 1933.



From the restoration point of view he is considered to be a "purist" and concentrates on pre-war bikes. He is often called upon for advice by younger enthusiasts because, as Lil puts it, he can't remember to put the garbage out but he can remember everything about his bikes. Jack has a long standing association with the BCDA as one of its founding members, and until recently was actively involved in the Meals on Wheels deliveries for Bundanoon. He also cleared out and delivered all the collected goods in the Life Line bin.

Both Jack and Lil were involved in the theatre restaurant performances for several years. Acting and public speaking are Lil's loves. Lil is very modest about her achievements but they are many. She is the holder of an LTCL (Licentiate of the Trinity College of London) for voice production and elocution, for which she gained the highest marks in NSW. Lil is also an active member of ITC - Wingecarribee Communicators (then Toast Mistress) and in 1983 won an international public speaking competition in Boston. She indulges her love of acting by frequently performing with the Moss Vale Players.

At the moment, in between unpacking boxes, Jack is busy in his spare time communicating with other bicycle collectors and historians and giving advice. Lil is on the Wingecarribee organising committee for The Year of the Aged.

Many will remember Jack as the agile rider of the Penny Farthing in the annual Brigadoon parade. We will miss such an active and community minded couple, and we wish them all the best for the future.

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Gathering was recently held in Bundanoon. An excellent crowd was on hand to witness and participate in the day's events. The entire day, which ran to plan and to time, was enjoyed by a crowd of some 18,000 people, while many more worked behind the scenes and supervised games and special events. It was a typical beautiful sunny Bundanoon day, which added to the overall enjoyment of the day.

Thousands of wandering visitors mingled throughout the stalls areas and were entertained by the many different attractions, including the sword wielding Highland Cavaliers, the Tartan Warriors (who awed the crowd with incredible feats of strength, lifting the Bundanoon Stones of Manhood), the Scottish Country Dancers and the Southern Highlands Kennel Club.

The gathering concluded with the traditional Massed Bands Display, the Lone Piper and the official closing by Chieftain of the Day, Alexander (Sandy) McPhie. At that point an invitation was given to come back next year on Saturday April 8, 2000 for the 23rd Annual Brigadoon Highland Gathering.

Each year the Bundanoon shopkeepers are invited to decorate their shops in Scottish theme. This year's winner was the Bundanoon Newsagency, displaying Scottish literature, tartans and even an ancient set of golf clubs (Langdon's first set, no doubt). The most popular parade float went to the Exeter Public School.

The Brigadoon Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the Bundanoon residents, business people and volunteer groups who helped make this year's Brigadoon successful, incident free, and fun.

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The Country Women's Association

We're just delighted at our results in the recent Hand Cookery and Art & Craft Competitions. We had a record number of entries judged locally. We came second in the Craft section at Group judging at Jamberoo and (icing on the cake!) three of our entries have been judged good enough to compete at State level at the Annual Conference at Dubbo in May. So we're walking tall!!

Local judging was held in mid-March at our rooms in Railway Parade and almost 40 entries were received in the Cookery section - the largest number for many years. Mrs Johnson, from Tallong, praised the high standard and gave useful advice for improvement. The coffee cake section, where there was great difficulty in finding a recipe, had six entries! Those winning cakes/jams were judged next day at Group level at Jamberoo.

Results were: Kath Jay, 3rd in the Marble Cake Section; Marie Reid, 3rd in the Sultana Cake section. Kath Jay's Green Tomato Pickles came 1st, and her entry goes on to State judging. Alex Davis, Betty Whitworth's granddaughter and our only junior member, came 2nd in the Cup Cake Section.

Readers, the standard of cooking is so-o-o-o high, we were chuffed at these results!

But there's more!

Our entries in the Handicraft Section were:

Section 1: Creative Embroidery - Verte Irwin
Bargello Cushion - Verte Irwin
Patchwork Cardigan - Kath Hogg
Stumpwork (2 entries) - Pat Wells

Stumpwork (2 entries) - Pat Wells Sterling Silver Earrings - Anna Shead

Section 2: Blue-gray Cardigan - Kath Hogg

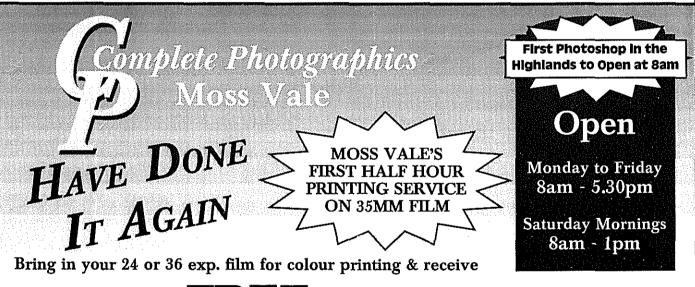
Section 3: 3 piece Baby Set - Pat Wells

We were only 2 points behind the winning branch and Pat's Stumpwork (insects) and Kath's Patchwork cardigan were chosen among the 8 entries to go to State judging. Anna Shead's mother is represented at State with a vest (over 80's section). So, for one of the smallest branches (in numbers) we have done VERY well.

Stumpwork is a raised form of embroidery which evolved in the 17th century and is now enjoying a revival. It is also used to enhance other needlework crafts, especially patchwork. Motifs often have padding to give a natural appearance, others are made separately, then applied as detached shapes, eg leaves, petals, figures, animals, birds, insects.

Pat learnt this craft at classes in Bowral. She says, "It's time consuming, but seeing a piece of work come to life is very satisfying." Items of this unusual form of 3-D craft will become valued family heirlooms.

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They then moved overseas where Cameron continued to pursue the traditional aspects of furniture making, learning French polishing and wood carving (he carves the Reid Brothers logo, discreetly positioned, onto all of their pieces).

Stuart moved away from traditional furniture styles, learning how modern technology and innovations lead to more efficient use of raw materials and labour resources.

On returning from England the brothers were keen to escape city life and felt that Bundanoon, with its close proximity to both Sydney and Canberra, would be an ideal location for their business. They also felt that the peace and beauty of the area could not help but have a bearing on their work. Fortuitously, their parents had a large vacant shed on their property which has now been transformed into a well equipped, highly productive workshop.

The brothers both enjoy the sense of community here - both have young families in Bundanoon and involve themselves in the community as much as their work and family life will allow!

Reid Brothers Furniture undertake custom made and designed pieces, antique restoration, French polishing, traditional wall panelling, wood turning and carving and they pride themselves on their traditional construction methods (mortise and tenoned door and carcase frames, dovetailed drawers etc). Stuart and Cameron spend many hours talking with their clients, visiting their homes, doing sketches and full-sized drawings, discussing timbers and colours before the manufacture of a piece of furniture begins.

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The Reid Brothers high quality furniture has generated a strong local following as well as a wide customer base outside the Highlands. Their workshop is located on Yuille Avenue in Bundanoon and they welcome visitors between 8 am and 5 pm Monday to Friday and by appointment over the weekend, phone 4883 6788. Please call in - they look forward to welcoming you!



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Bundanoon Garden Club News

We were delighted to have Swetik Korzeniewski revisit our club in February as our speaker, and to visit his lovely garden at Exeter in April. We now have a new Coordinator for the Southern Highlands Zone, Jenny Simons, from the Garden Clubs of Australia, who was unable to visit us in February due to illness but will be coming to us in the latter half of the year. We have already received a bulletin from her and look forward to our association with her. Jenny is also a member of the Highlands and Garden Society.

Our March Annual General Meeting saw Lillian Anderson step down as Secretary after five years. She very much enjoyed her time in this position and together with other club members welcomes Norma Waldon as our new Secretary to be assisted, as required, by June Jones. Kath Hogg and Tom Merrick remain President and Treasurer respectively, with Enid O'Hara kindly continuing as Honorary Auditor. Many of our members get together for a club picnic outing nearly every month where they drive to a picnic location and perhaps visit a nursery and other attractions for a happy day together. The new contact number for the Garden Club is 4883 6966 (Norma) or 4883 6281 (June).

VISIT TO MONTAGUE ISLAND

"Do you want a refund or do you want to come tomorrow?" were the questions posed to us by the Captain of the Narooma Charters boat. "There's a 30 knot wind blowing out at Montague Island so we can't take the boat out."

Consequently the next day at 9.15 am there we were on the Narooma Wharf armed with our cameras, binoculars, and all-weather gear rearing to head out to sea. Once on board we were told to put on our life jackets and prepare to go through the bar. "Oh my gosh," I thought. The Captain had to wait for the right waves and away we went on a roller coaster ride through foam and swirling water. What excitement! Then it was a swift trip across the seven kilometres of water to the island with its granite outcrops and majestic lighthouse. We circled around the dramatic rocky coastline and were able to see the colony of seals. They immediately plunged into the sea as we approached and some came close enough for us to enjoy them, rolling over and flapping their flippers in the air.

Soon we anchored, climbed up a metal ladder, and trudged slowly up the steep incline to the lighthouse above, stopping on the way to enjoy the wonderful view of the mainland with the ranges behind, and other islands close by. Approaching the lighthouse we were shown by the National Parks and Wildlife guide a huge granite rock which had been quarried years ago, and large blocks cut away. They were used to construct the lighthouse, which was finally finished in November 1881. The light source was originally oil, then kerosene and in 1969 it was converted to electric power. In 1986 solar powered halogen lamps were installed.

Montague Island is now a Nature Reserve and home to large colonies of sea birds, penguins and fur seals. It was discovered by the convict transport 'Surprise' in 1790 and named after George Montague Dunk, Earl of Halifax. To the aborigines, the island is called Barunguba and is of special importance to the aboriginal men. The aboriginal tribes Walbanga and Djiringanj used to go across to Barunguba and bring back many fish, bird eggs, shells and mutton birds. In 1939, one hundred and fifty aboriginal men and boys perished on their way back to the mainland when they were caught in a southerly storm.

Many families lived in the lighthouse keeper's cottages and they used to be very isolated, often not being able to get provisions or help, due to bad weather. Staff on the island are now National Park and Wildlife rangers and a helicopter landing pad has been installed for emergencies. Visitors are shown the graves of a lighthouse keeper called Mr Townsend and two little children who died of childhood diseases before any help could reach them.

Narooma is about three and a half hours from Bundanoon and is south of Bateman's Bay. The tour to Montague Island takes about four hours and the ride over to the island in the boat takes about 25 minutes. There are two tours available to see the penguins, one leaving at 9.30 am and the other at 5.00 pm. I can thoroughly recommend a visit to this interesting island and if you are interested ring Narooma Visitors Centre on 4476 2881 for bookings.

By Diane Gillham

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Fifteen garden owners have kindly offered to open their gardens, 10 of them being part of the Ramble for the first time. This means that over the three years, 33 Bundanoon gardeners have made our Rambles possible.

Tickets remain at \$10, \$8 (pensioners), children free. One ticket covers all gardens - on sale on the day. Once again a shuttle bus is provided - \$2 for an all day ticket.

Highlight the day on your calendar and remind your friends to do the same. Later in the year we'll be asking for volunteers to help on gates and in garden supervision.

PS: If you're wondering how the proceeds of last year's Ramble will be spent - several suggestions were forwarded to BCDA and discussed at meetings. It was decided to proceed initially with two projects:

- In co-operation with the Garden Club, repair work and extension of planted areas along the railway bank opposite Bundanoon Hotel.
- Possible extension of Picnic Park.

We approached the Railways in early December and discovered that we had to gain approval from three Railway entities. It was not until early March that a meeting was able to be organised with representatives of all three. The results were promising but still more letters, and next we have to approach the Council.



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I recently attended the Kater's Restaurant opening function at Peppers Manor House and had the pleasure of meeting the Executive Chef, Wayne Rowe. In the course of his rapid rise through the professional ranks of fine dining, Wayne has held senior positions in a number of famous restaurants, both Australian and internationally, including for example, Robert's of Pepper Tree, Lilianfels, Merretts, and the London Savoy. He spent two years as Senior Chef de Partie at The Regent of Sydney and his current menu for Kater's demonstrates his considerable flair.

Wayne is also strongly of the view that cooking is fun so if you've recently retired and have time on your hands, or if the golf course is closed with a washout, get into the kitchen and give Wayne's recipe a go. It's one for cooking later in the day but you'll see that he's entered into the spirit of the thing.

But why Kater's and why the change? Peppers Manor House property was granted by Governor Lachlan Macquarie in 1822 to Dr Charles Throsby for public service in pioneering the district and it was named after the Doctor's wife, Elizabeth Broughton. It remained in the Throsby family until 1878 when it was bought by Henry Edward Kater. Henry built the first substantial house but it wasn't until 1924, when Sir Norman Kater inherited, that the property acquired its baronial proportions, grace and comfort. Sir Norman had connections and a life style that included a family coach and footmen. As a concession to modern times the coach was traded in the late 1920s for a Rolls, but clearly, Sir Norman established traditions consistent with the fine dining at Katers. Renaming the restaurant also reflects Wayne's desire to broaden the focus. The restaurant is well known but the informal dining facilities, catering and support for local producers may be less well known. The Manor House has a discount package for Southern Highlanders and offers a lounge menu for informal dining in all the bar and lounge areas.

So, if you're out driving, have guests in town, or if you're just plain hungry, drop in and enjoy the ambience of the Manor House - no need for a reservation - and a bistro meal with style. Now, on to the kitchen and LAMB SHANKS FOR BLOKES.

Ingredients:

50g butter, 50g plain flour, olive oil, salt & ground black pepper, 6 lamb shanks, 2 onions, diced, 1 whole garlic.

I litre of chicken stock (or water and stock cubes as directed on the packet), 2 carrots, diced, 2 sticks of celery, chopped, 2 lemons, dice the whole thing skin and all.

4 cooking tomatoes, diced large (I used a can of Italian tomatoes), 2 bay leaves, 1 large eggplant - diced, 3 VBs. Parsnips - to serve with creamed parsnip mash.

Equipment:

Chopping board and a good knife, bowl big enough for the chopped vegetables, frying pan and large saucepan or boiler, litre jug.

The Process:

Chop the carrots, celery, lemons and tomatoes and set these aside in a bowl. Prepare the chicken stock - dissolve the cubes in hot water and then make up to a litre. Place plain flour, salt and pepper into a plastic bag and give the shanks a shake. Brown them quickly in a hot pan with a little olive oil, set them aside and drink one VB. Dice the eggplant, into the pan until golden brown, set aside. Put the diced onion and garlic (skin on) into the large pot with butter and cook until soft. Add remaining flour to the pan and stir until brown and bubbly. Add the chicken stock and bring slowly to the boil. Then, into the pot with the shanks, the bowl of chopped vegetables and one VB. Simmer for approximately two hours and take afternoon nap. Drink remaining VB and add the eggplant. When the meat falls away from the bone, serve with creamed parsnip mash. Leftovers on toast for breakfast. Be adventurous - next time try it with red wine.

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The BCDA has been granted \$5000 by the Wingecarribee Shire Council through its Community Grants Program.

The grant is be used to construct a BMX and skateboard track at Bundanoon Oval (behind the cricket nets in among the trees).

The application for the grant proposed a concept plan for the construction and was successful through the BCDA's desire to provide a healthy, sporting outlet for the young people of Bundanoon and surrounding areas.

The project now needs to move from the 'concept' into reality. The BCDA will establish a working group to undertake the project. This will include representation from the Oval Committee and the Brigadoon Committee. The project will need the assistance of local tradespeople such as earthmoving and plumbers and any voluntary labour will also be welcome.

Most importantly the BCDA wishes to hear from young people to get their ideas and help in making the BMX/skateboard track something they want and will use and take ownership of.

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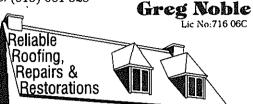
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For those of you (in excess of 40) who sent in an entry in the Einstein quiz, we must report that there was not one winner.

The German may well have kept fish, but the question actually asked "WHO KEEPS FISH?" All that went before was irrelevant and the answer is an ICHTHYOLOGIST. This is a person who keeps fish for the purpose of studying them.

Still got your thinking cap on? Then see if you can solve this:

Find the next number in the string:

1 2 2 4 3 6 4 ?

The answer with an explanation is on page 30.

Now for the real thing! What's the next number in this string?

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Bundanoon History Group was 15 Years Old in March of this year. With three published books to our credit, and the Old-Goods Shed as a permanent home for our archives, we feel we have something to show for our efforts over the years.

We would dearly like to see new members with an interest in preserving the history of Bundanoon at our monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month in the Community Health Centre at 7.30 pm. For further information phone Lucy Rocca on 4883 6657.

A Tribute to Norma Edmonds

When Norma Edmonds first came to Bundanoon in the late 1950s it was as the mother of a young family, and her interests were with her family and the dairy. As the years passed and children grew up, Norma became involved in community affairs. It was in the early 1980s that Norma became serious about history. She was a foundation member of the Bundanoon Research and Preservation Group which evolved into the Bundanoon History Group. Never one to take an 'up front' position, it was "you do the talking and I'll back you up", and she always did.

Norma could always be found at her post in the Old Goods shed on open day on the first Sunday of each month. As Archivist she wrote to enquirers about Bundanoon, or their family history, organised members to help remove blu-tak and other sticky stuff from the back of photos so they could be stored safely in acid free envelopes, and undertook many other jobs which were necessary for the smooth running of the Group.

When Norma received, in 1997 a 'Certificate of Achievement' from the Royal Australian Historical Society for "significant contribution to the Management and Research activity of the Bundanoon History Group Inc" it was a fitting tribute to a dedicated, hard working and well loved member of our organisation, who will be greatly missed.

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There are certain criteria for the Police Assistance Line to be used. These are: The crime is not in progress; there are no unduly traumatised victims; the crime is not serious; there is low probability of the crime being solved; the community/victim do not demand a physical response from Police and the victim agrees to the report being taken over the telephone. Basically this means that if you don't want the Police to actually attend, but you want a report to be made of an incident, you ring the Police Assistance Line on 131444.

Recently I have received a number of complaints about bicycle riders in Bundanoon. Most of the complaints are to do with riding the bikes on footpaths and along the incorrect side of the road. To parents of children who ride bikes - please teach your child the road rules. Once the bike leaves your property the same road rules applicable to any vehicle, apply to a bike. You aren't allowed to drive a vehicle on the wrong side of the road, the same applies to bikes. You aren't allowed to drive a vehicle along a footpath, neither can you ride on the footpath. The fines for these offences are \$43.

One of the road rules for bicycle riders being disregarded by many is the wearing of an approved helmet. The fine for this is \$43. The cost of a helmet can be as little as \$19. The cost of injury and resulting medical bills is much higher. I know that 'in the old days we didn't have to wear a helmet' but in the old days there weren't as many vehicles driving the speed they are now, around the streets. The bicycle has to have a bell and if being ridden at night, has to have front lights and rear reflectors.

Senior Constable Megan Bailie-Mace

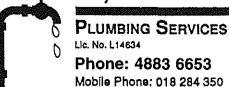


NEXT MEETING 18 May 1999 7.30 pm **Bundanoon Hall** All are cordially invited

A "party of five" got together for our last meeting. Unfortunately, due to holidays, there was no police representative. It was agreed that we purchase a new engraver. This will be available on one Saturday morning to engrave bicycles and small items of equipment for a small donation. This date to be advised when a suitable venue is found. Our next meeting is Tuesday 18 May at 7.30 pm.

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Do You Remember?

Boys and water just seem to go together, but it was with tragic results that Christmas in 1872 when two local boys were drowned in the pool at Erith coal mine, called in those days Rock Roof mine.

Creeks and water holes were used by anyone wanting a swim on a hot summer day, and the Paddys River at Lever Park was a popular spot in the 1930s. The river was cleaned and it was possible to hire a punt and paddle up the river for quite a distance.

An even greater tragedy than in 1872 occurred on a Summer's day in the late 1950s, when four members of a local family were drowned in the Shoalhaven river below Badgerys Lookout; 2 boys, their father and their uncle.

This was the catalyst for a concerted effort to have a swimming pool in Bundanoon. Money was raised, volunteer workers were organised, and the present pool in Erith Street was built entirely by community effort.

The need to find a river somewhere for a swim was now a thing of the past. It is worth noting that Bundanoon pool was built well before the pools at Bowral and Moss Vale.

Many residents of Bundanoon will remember when the pool was opened in 1962.

By Lucy Rocca - 4883 6657

GOOD NEWS, **BAD NEWS!**

Dear Mum & Dad.

Sorry about the long time it's taken me to write. Before I tell you about my news I should warn you - some of it may come as a shock.

I'm writing this from hospital where my broken leas are healing well. Even though I'll never be able to play for Australia in netball again (because one leg will be permanently shorter than the other) the doctors say I'll be walking again in a couple of months.

I was hit by a car while running away from the police after a little misunderstanding about some pills in my purse. Fortunately, the whole thing was witnessed by a passing pedestrian who has since visited me every day. His name is Keith and he's been an angel to me.

Aithough he's unemployed, I'm sure you will arow to admire his many qualities as I have done because we are engaged to be married. We haven't set a date yet - we're not sure whether to have it before or after our baby is born. His pending court case is also causing us some uncertainty.

I'm really glad that you've been so supportive of multi-culturalism because Keith is of both a different race and religion. That's why I'm sure you'll welcome him and his two brothers into our family.

Now that I've got that out of the way ! need to tell you there was no police chase and no accident. My legs are fine and there's no Keith, no brothers and no baby. However, it looks like I'm going to fail two subjects and just pass the other two and it's important that you keep things in perspective.

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Where are they now?

WHICH street in Bundanoon is named after a former pupil of Bundanoon School who became a Major-General?

WHICH street was named after the owner's dog when the land was sub-divided?

WHICH street was named after a small English town on the River Thames?

WHICH Close was named after the owner of one of the first prefabricated concrete dwellings imported into Australia from France - and which is still here?

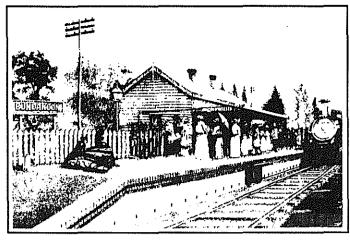
All this information is given in a glossary on the origins of street names in Bundanoon which is contained in a splendid new edition of the booklet "Early Bundanoon Guest Houses", produced by the Bundanoon History Group. (Cost \$7 from the Bundanoon Newsagency.) The first edition, published in 1989 dealt only with the 64 guest houses that have been identified as having existed in Bundanoon between the wars. The second edition includes some new guest house names and the origins of some of the older, or better-known streets. An acknowledgement in the book recognises the work done in its preparation by Mrs. Lucy Rocca, the late Norma Edmonds, and Mr. Alec Cameron.

To answer the above questions:

Rosenthal Avenue is named after Major-General Sir Charles Rosenthal who was enrolled in Bundanoon School in 1885 and who attained his high rank in WW1. His father had been a railway fettler.

Morgan's Road is a fairly new sub-division off Ellsmore road, named after the previous owner's dog.

Erith Street was named by Mrs Lucy Rocca's greatgrandfather, Mr E. A. Baker, after Erith in England which had been his hometown. Mr Baker and his two sons reopened the Erith Coal Mine in 1881, and Burgess Street off Ellsmore Road was named after his mother's maiden name.



Dorothy Friend Place was named after Dorothy Friend who was the last member of her family to live in the imported prefabricated concrete house. She died in 1972 and the property was sub-divided.

There are many more street names listed with their origins in this new booklet. It also has a new introduction which contains a charming account of the excitement of a journey between the wars, of coming out to beautiful Bundanoon by train for a week's holiday.

The atmosphere of those times is recalled by the new cover on the booklet which is a splendid drawing by Mr Ernie Twist of Railway Parade taken from an early photograph. The drawing is spread across the front and back covers and shows the old Bundanoon railway station crowded with visitors with long dresses, parasols and luggage, as the ancient puffing-billy steam engine pulls into the station to take them back to Sydney. As the train subsequently left the station the engine would give a final "cock-a-doodle-doo" on the whistle to the guests staying on an extra week who had come to throw paper streamers in farewell to the new-formed friends of the past week.

The "Where are they Now?" sub-title on the booklet could well refer to all those thousands of visitors to Bundanoon, as well as to all the Guest Houses.

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Cream and brown funnels
Glow green at night.
Tiny cups, red, orange and blue,
And toadstools of every hue
These are the fungi you can find
When you walk in the Park again.



by Pat Jordan

A word of warning. Never eat wild fungi as some can kill!

The Victorian Field Naturalists have a project mapping Australian Fungi. They are at present targeting 50 easily identified species and hope to extend to 100 by the end of the year. Anyone interested in contributing to the Australian Fungi Map contact Pat Jordan 02 4883 6590.

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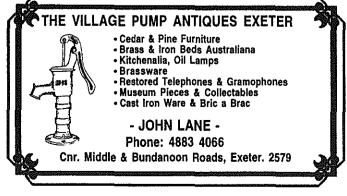
Co-inciding with the 22nd Annual Bundanoon Highland Gathering the President of the BHG, Mr Warren Glase presented to the Mayor, Clr Sara Murray a beautifully scripted certificate (thanks Coralie Flint) handing over the improvements to Bundanoon Oval sponsored by the Bundanoon Highland Gathering to the village of Bundanoon.

The improvements to the oval include seating under the trees near the roadway on the eastern side of the oval, the concrete dish drain around the oval, a concrete staircase and terraced turf seating covering all of the shale embankment on the western side of the oval. These improvements have been staged over a 5 to 6 year period at a cost of over \$30,000. The work was done by the BHG in appreciation for the continued support that the people of Bundanoon have given to the annual highland Gathering.

Please enjoy the seating at Bundanoon oval to watch our sporting activities, Carols in the Park and any other event that occur on our wonderful oval.

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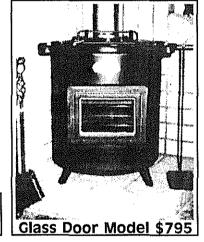
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Taken for a Really Big Ride

When our boys were growing up we lived in Sydney. Every year a group of families would book all eleven camp sites at Gambells Rest for a long weekend in Bundanoon. There would be a variation in which families came each year, but of the twenty or so children, there were never any more than three or four girls. Our troop of boys learnt to ride bikes on the track in front of the tent sites. Trainer wheels were quickly discarded and over the years as their cycling skills and endurance developed, the range of our trips and the difficulty of the terrain increased. However we were always back by lunch time - the parents were ready for a rest! Finally, one year when the boys' ages ranged from 8 to 12 years, they declared resolutely, "We want to be away all day. We want to go on a Really Big Bike Ride."

These memories came flooding back a few weeks ago when we two set off on this same route. Comparisons began immediately. A quick check of the tyres et cetera and we were off. Back then, it seemed to take an hour just to assemble our party of thirty with all the necessary gear and bikes in order. We pedalled along Ferndale Road enjoying the rural outlook and the fact that twenty years later we were only passed by four cars. The uphill was there to challenge us but we took it slowly and neither of us had to get off and walk at this stage. No young boys shouting "Let's go!" as they raced off and then needing to stop for a drink "because we're so hot!"

At the top, when we reached Old Argyle Road, we turned left and headed blissfully down, with the pastures of Jumping Rock on our left and the bushland swamps on our right. We stopped to look at the convict built culverts before continuing our dignified descent over the washed out track. We didn't take it at full pelt, revelling in the jumps and laughing at our mates who came to grief in the sand! No stops while repairs were made to bikes and knees in the tumbles.

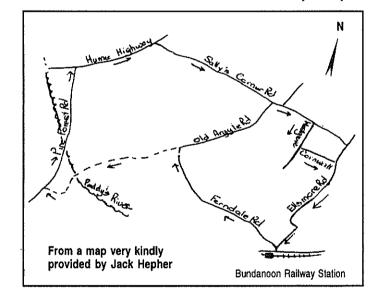
One and a half hours after leaving Bundanoon village we reached the creek! We could have emulated deeds of days gone by - charging through the water at speed with feet in the air, hoping our momentum would carry us through. Rather, off came our sneakers and we pushed our bikes through the water. Much tamer but much quicker. Not nearly as much drying to do!

Heading off to the right up through Penrose State Forest, we only saw two cars in this section. Cyclists' bliss. Our legs were tiring so for a short time on the long slow uphills we took to walking. Still, we reached the picnic area on the highway in forty minutes. This was where years ago parents produced the sandwiches, cordial bottles et cetera for the ravenous troop. We simply sheltered from a downpour on the verandah of the new and very environmentally friendly loos before heading 1 km down the highway (very wide and reassuring shoulder lane) to our lunch spot - McDonalds. We could hear all those little ghosts groaning with envy - McDonalds was built ten years too late.

Thence along Sally's Corner Road. As usual, climbing back onto the bikes after a break, we really felt our legs and especially our tails. Why can't they invent a comfortable bike seat? More traffic so it was a relief to turn down Westgrove and Cornwall Roads and then onto Ellsmore. It's quite high here and magnificent views towards Bundanoon. Mostly downhill on Ellsmore Road, made even more pleasant by the elimination of the long remembered ruts.

Back home in Bundanoon (for an early afternoon coffee) one and a quarter hours after we left McDonald's. Years ago the troop had only made it back in time for dinner preparations. A real hare and tortoise story, we agreed as we settled down that night to watch the Bryn Terfel concert. Let's hope our snores were in time with his singing. Maybe it's still "A really big ride."

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Profile on Bundanoon Rebels Soccer Club

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Head Coach Paul Sedgebeer
Club Captain Glen Seward

The aim of the club for the future is to continue the restructuring and building of the club and hopefully to encourage all members, whether new to the game or older experienced players, to be an active participant in the running of the club. The more helping hands the lighter the workload for everyone.

The workload in the past few months has been quite heavy with the beginning of the season registrations and the organisation of the stall, float and gate keepers for Brigadoon.

Brigadoon is the club's biggest fundraiser, with other income coming from the generous sponsorship from local businesses and individuals. The committee would like to thank all sponsors, past and present, for their help and co-operation, without which the club could not continue to supply jumpers, balls etc for the teams. This sponsorship will also help the club to realise their goal of installing lights on Ferndale Reserve.

The Rebels have produced quite a few talented soccer stars who have gone on to represent the Highlands. The President, John Sant remarked how the spirit within the club has developed into one of pride and it is encouraging to see the number of younger players that have taken a keen interest in the sport.

From attending the last meeting of the Rebels Soccer Club I can appreciate the time and effort that goes into the organisation of what must be one of the largest associations in Bundanoon. The committee and their spouses are to be congratulated for a job well done.

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BUNDANOON PARK WOMENS BOWLING CLUB - Roslyn Hippisley, Secretary 4883 6787

We have been very busy. Our club championships draw has been done and we started after our Presidents Day on 14 April. Fourteen visiting teams attended, so our greens were filled on our special day.

Our ladies have been visiting - Goulburn WBC and Robertson WBC to attend their Presidents Days. Coming up, invitations received from Mittagong, Goulburn, Taralga and Bowral. These are very enjoyable bowling days. Once again, any lady wishing to try out bowling, you are most welcome. Call in and see us on any Tuesday at 11 am or give me a call. Yours in bowls, Roslyn Hippisley, Secretary.

BOWLS (MEN) - David Piggott 4883 6502

The Club Championships were held on the 3 and 4 April. The results are as follows. Two games of minor singles were played. In the first, Bob Talyntire defeated up and coming player Chris Johns. In the other match Stan Moone defeated another promising younger player Darren Wray, 31-25.

In the major four the winning combination of Peter Dawson, Glen Meech and Craig Murdoch and Ivan Bamfield successfully took out the honours. The Bundanoon Club is also preparing to compete in the zone championships on the 1 May in Camden, then if successful, on to Mudgee on the 15 and 16 of May. Bundanoon went into the local competition as the underdogs and came out the victors. CONGRATULATIONS. If this winning streak continues at the zone comp we may see Bundanoon compete in the State competition. Good luck!

CROQUET NEWS - President Diane Gillham 4883 6895

Croquet once again is in full swing with members playing social croquet on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Some of our higher handicap players have found practising together on Tuesday afternoons very beneficial. We are pleased to welcome three new members to our Club. Many of our members look forward to the May Country Week Competition playing some of their games on our green.

We were delighted to have our member Leila Merson win the Birdie Telfer Croquet Competition in Sydney, managing to win all her games. Dick Topham, another of our members, became the Champion of a competition held in Sydney called the Fransted Cup for croquet players on all levels. Congratulations go to both these members.

This year has seen children from Bundanoon School include croquet as a school sport, As part of the Community Games the children played croquet with Exeter School children and had a great fun day. The Bundanoon Bowling Club kindly donated chips and drinks. The children will continue to learn croquet and the school is having mallets made thanks to a very generous donation to the school by the Bundanoon Community Development Association. For further information about the Bundanoon Croquet Club ring the President, Diane Gillham, on 4883 6895 or the Secretary, Leila Merson, on 4883 6596.

BUNDANOON CRICKET CLUB UNDER 14'S - James Angel 02 4883 6353

Cricket season is over for another year and the Bundanoon girls and boys had a good year. The team played well throughout the season but were beaten in the final by the unbeaten Bowral side. Both teams played well but Bowral were too strong this time. The Bundanoon team of Ryan Mangold, Adam Rocca, Mitchell Eirth, Geoff Williams, Amelia Dever-Kavanagh, Sam Hall, Shane Martin, Christian Recktenwalk and Nikko Foster, showed great sportsmanship and because of their young age will be bigger and better in the same age group next season. Many thanks to the coaches, Mick Stirton and Michael Kavanagh for their hard work and concentration in umpiring, to all the other parents who helped with scoring etc., and the tea and coffee drinkers who doubled as the cheer squad. See you all again next season.

BUNDANOON HOCKEY CLUB - Kathryn Saurine 4883 6260

The new season is about to commence with the club entering 4 teams in the local competitions. We have U8's (Minkey) U12's and U14's entered in the Mixed Juniors and a women's 2nd Grade side. This side is a mixture of age, experience and youth. It's great to see so many new faces in the Junior teams. I'm sure they will enjoy their hockey with the Club. Coaches this years are Kathryn Saurine - U8's; David Folkard - U12's and Elaine Angel - U14's.

I've saved the biggest and best news until last. Bundanoon Bowling & Recreation Club will be our sponsor this year. They have been great supporters of Bundanoon Sporting teams over many years and we are excited at the prospect of being once again sponsored by them. We are planning a great social evening at the Club in July. This is not only for members of the Hockey Club, but for the whole community. More details will be advised soon.

BUNDANOON SWIMMING CLUB - Elaine Angel 4883 6353

Another successful season has just ended with a presentation evening at the pool. With 59 swimmers registered, our club has around the same number of swimmers as Bowral Swimming Club. This is fantastic for a small town (with the help of some Exeter residents!).

Congratulations to all ward winners this year: Most Improved Junior Girl - Rachel Davies Most Improved Senior Girl - Haylee Jonson

Most Improved Junior Boy - Daniel Rumsey Most Improved Senior Boy - Andrew Rumsey

Point Score Winners U5 Harry Brignall U6 Nathaniel Willoughby U7 Eloise Rocca U8 Catherine Halstead U9 Alice Dowton U10 Andrew Rumsey U11 Rebecca Hitchcock U12 Belinda Dowton U13 Morgan Hitchcock U15 Lauren Hitchcock

The Club would like to thank Darren Parker for the donation of the Golf Clubs and Bag, and Mr and Mrs Gonzales at the Post Office for selling our raffle tickets. A big thank you to everyone who supported the Club by buying raffle tickets and congratulations to the winner, Trish Balk from Penrose - happy golfing. See you all next season (September).



Bundanoon Anglican Church

What is life like at that bible college opposite the Briars at Moss Vale? Come and find out!

From 23 May to 30 May, students from Capernwray Bible College will be in Bundanoon. The week starts on Sunday with a 9.30 am worship service down at the National Park. A great time to take in the beauty of the bush surrounds.

On Wednesday 26 May at 7 pm Jeff Fuller, who is involved in prison ministry work called 'Kairos', will be a speaker at a men's dinner. Come and hear the fascinating stories of what is happening in the lives of prisoners.

Friday night, 28 May, we have a disco for Primary School aged children and Year 7 children. This will run from 7 to 9 pm. The cost is \$3 and the theme is "hippie dress".

Sunday 30 May there will be a barbecue and games at Bundanoon Community oval after the 9.30 am service. That night another disco, this time for High School students. This will run from 7 to 9 pm. Again the cost is \$3 and the theme is "hippie dress". Both discos will have a parade and a prize for the 'best dressed'. Contact Lyndall Nurse 4883 6048 or Wayne Tildsley 4883 6019 for more information.

St Brigid's Catholic Church

St Brigid's Bundanoon is one of five Catholic Churches in the Moss Vale parish ministered to by Fr Francis Tran who is assisted on Sundays by priests from Chevalier and the Order of St Paul, The Hermit. Bishop Philip Wilson makes regular visits to the parish fom his Diocesan base at Wollongong and spent time on March 16 meeting school children at St Paul's, saying Mass, and taking the opportunity to speak with parishioners from Bundanoon, Berrima, Burrawang and Robertson, as well as Moss Vale.

On March 17, the little-used St Patrick's Church at Sutton Forest was opened for Mass for St Patrick's Day. The church was packed for this occasion and parishioners, including a good representation from Bundanoon, stayed on for Irish dancing and a barbeque tea. Our Vietnamese priest became Fr O'Tran for the evening, attributing his Gaelic wisdom to his 'little old Irish mother', and a wonderful community spirit was engendered.

Bundanoon Uniting Church



On 4 April 1999 changes in the structure of the Uniting Church in Australia came into effect. The National Assembly in 1997 resolved to authorise a new structure which effectively gave individual churches the

option of becoming linked congregations, clustered congregations, multi-centre congregations, ecumenical congregations etc.

After carefully considering the options available to us, it was decided that Moss Vale, Robertson and Bundanoon would become a MULTI-CENTRE CONGREGATION. There is little outward change except that we now have: one congregation (with three worshipping communities); one congregation meeting; one Church Council; one budget; and one set of office bearers.

The Church Council has been elected and includes John Hawksley and Alan Brown from Bundanoon. The basis of the new structure is the "congregation" and the word "parish" is not now used. Officially we are now the "Moss Vale Uniting Church with Worshipping Communities at Moss Vale, Bundanoon and Robertson". Our Elders at Bundanoon remain Mavis Giles, John Hawksley and Dorothy Quigg.

We were very sad at the passing of a much loved identity in our church, Graham Watts from 'Bellevue Park', early this year, and John Hawksley conducted a memorial service combined with our monthly special service. We recently farewelled Lily and Jack Hepher who are now living in Mittagong, as well as several of our friends from 'Bellevue Park' who have moved to new accommodation outside the district. We miss them all.

Harvest Festival, a service conducted by our Elders in March, was a joyful occasion. With tall corn sheaves tied to the sanctuary posts and a table overflowing with produce, together with the beautiful weekly flowers, and the fellowship of a happy congregation, it is no wonder our members really look forward to this annual service of praise and special thanksgiving.

Wasn't that a lovely piece about Aileen Grice (1912-1985) in last month's "Jordan's Crossing Gazette"! Thank you to the contributor and editorial team. We shall add that to our church historical folder.

Answer to quiz sample on page 20. The answer is 8. In this case there is a rhythm to odds and even numbers i.e. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 2, 4, 6, 8



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