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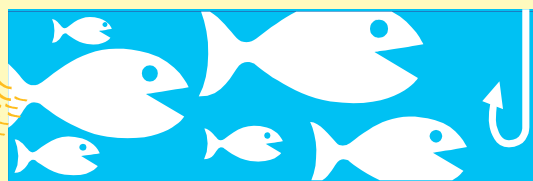
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Pam Davies,
Editor

THE CHOICE OF Wheels as a theme for this issue allowed wide scope for stories that reflect the interests of car and cycle enthusiasts in Bundanoon – although there are so many, we couldn't possibly cover all of them. Such a title, of course should include trains, tractors, carriages and even skateboards. I remembered that in fact I had previously covered Les Rundle's collection of much loved old tractors and vehicles and that the Carriage Club had featured in earlier editions of *jcg* so I focused on cars and bikes – oh and trains!

The recognition of Joan Lacey's contribution to the survival of tiny newborn babies is a tribute to her career and it is interesting to learn of the Lacey family's involvement in stock horse events.

Russell Bishop also received an award. The *Sydney Morning Herald* "3 Schooners" for Pub Food is a prestigious culinary prize and in interview Russell was pleased to share the honours with his colleague Harley Webster. Sport features prominently this time and the action shots we received certainly enhanced the stories. Australia Day was celebrated with activities and a cricket match organised by The Bundanoon Club and its success ensures that it will be a bigger and better event next year. There is never a shortage of ideas for *jcg* articles and I am looking forward to bringing our town to life in stories and pictures this year.

—Pam Davies

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AGM 15 March, 19 April, 17 May.

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The choir on choral risers used for the first time at their December concert

Rising stars

TO PARAPHRASE THE well-known song, Serendipity: the choir certainly "stepped up" at its concerts in December 2011. The purchase of three state-of-the-art choral risers from the USA made an amazing difference both to the appearance of the choir and also the sound of the group. Audience members were delighted with their enhanced view of all the singers as the choir was organised in a solid block, rather than long lines.

The purchase of the risers was made possible by funding from the Wingecarribee Council and the choir's own funds (which come from ticket sales). The next "step" is to purchase a custom-

made trailer in which to house and transport our beautiful risers (named "Wynken", "Blynken" and "Nod" after three delightful characters in one of our December pieces). We are submitting an application for assistance to the Veolia Mulwaree Trust; again, some choir funds will go towards this major purchase. Serendipity is particularly fortunate in having amongst its ranks people who are able and willing to put together applications for assistance. And, as always, we have been strongly supported in both these enterprises by the Bundanoon Community Association.

Colourful '12 days of Christmas' props, courtesy of Margaret West and Jane Irwin



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Since the official ground-breaking ceremony in mid-December and the planting of the first seeds, progress has been swift with the construction of four easy-access raised beds, making steps to the beautiful north-facing sheltered deck (which will function as a workshop and learning space), preparing the orchard for fruit trees, rabbit-proofing the perimeter fence, and brewing up a hot compost ready for the autumn plantings. Gardeners have also enjoyed the first fruits of their labours – luscious lettuce, raucous rocket and super-spicy mustard greens mixed together in a summer salad served in a communal lunch.

The garden's Convenor, Tony Coyle, a self-confessed garden novice, described the unique value of having a community garden: "This is a place where people of all ages, all social backgrounds, and with diverse knowledge and skills can come together as equals to learn with and from each other, and produce something so basic and so satisfying, and have terrific fun in the process."

"Interest in local food has been very encouraging. We can enjoy local food that is fresh and nutritious, lower in 'food miles', and that has all the taste benefits of being in season", said Sandra Menteith, the garden's Secretary.

The garden also enjoys support from the BCA, Quest for Life, local businesses and residents who have donated resources generously – everything from rich topsoil to animal manure to poly-pipe and garden tools.

Plans for 2012 include building a fox-proof chook shed and run, a greenhouse and shadehouse for preparing seedlings, and a cob-oven for communal pizza and breadbaking.

Bundanoon Community Garden is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 3pm. All are welcome. For more information contact Tony Coyle on 0402 719716 or via email at coyle_tony@hotmail.com



Turning the first sod

Cllrs Julia Arkwright and Jim Clark; BCA President Ralph Clark; Petrea King, Quest for Life; Jill Cockram, Moss Vale Community Garden; Frank and Joan Molony



Left: Convenor Tony Coyle

Below: Community members making compost






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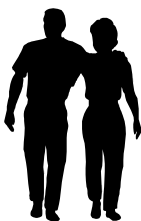
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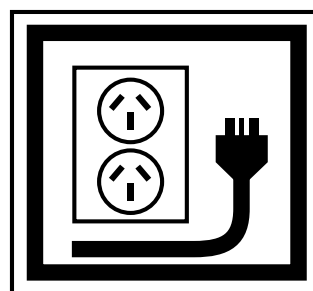
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Ralph Clark,
BCA president

BCA report

Maintaining momentum

OH FOR A spin-doctor!

How to make an AGM sound sexy? BCA's AGM is on March 15. I hope you consider coming along, even (or particularly) if you do not normally attend our monthly meetings. You may be assured that it

will be an interesting night! Supper and refreshments will be served afterwards – a good opportunity to meet other Bundanoon residents.

Our twenty or so sub-groups have achieved a great deal over the past twelve months: entertainment – concerts, choir and film; village beautification through the Green Team, including another sandstone sculpture; and the cemetery gates project. The new Community Garden has an enthusiastic team of workers and we had a record Garden Ramble. *jcg*, our wonderful magazine, continues to reflect events and interests of the community and JCG Travel provides great value trips. JCG Food and Wine has held a number of gourmet events... and there's much more!

BCA has some 450 members. Increased membership will make it even more effective – consider joining before the AGM.

The 2012 BCA committee will have some new faces, people who will no doubt bring fresh enthusiasm and ideas. They will have some large shoes to fill. Dale Chalmers has made a wonderful contribution to BCA and is stepping down after 14 years. Dale was awarded a richly-deserved Life membership in 2009. She has new responsibilities as Captain of the Penrose Rural Fire Brigade. John Desmond will not be re-standing as Secretary and Christine Miller will be stepping down from the committee; both have commitments in other areas of community service. I am confident that these vacancies will be filled, but there is certainly room for others to become involved.

While speaking of involvement, I would like to congratulate and thank Joan Geraghty, who has done such a great job as President of Bundanoon Garden Club over the past several years. This group adds very considerably to our village life and has grown in numbers under Joan's leadership.

The Bundanoon Community Garden, a much-needed facility, is going ahead in leaps and bounds. Congratulations to all involved. Thanks also to Petrea King and the Quest for Life Foundation for the generous provision of the land which BCA leases free of cost.

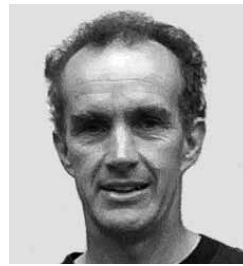
I recently was shown over the Men's Shed in Burgess St, yet another significant development in our community. The Shed is now fully operational and planning is already underway for stage 2.

I am sure you will agree that the new entrance to the cemetery is a vast improvement. There will be coverage of this BCA/WSC project in the next *jcg*.

Thanks largely to the efforts of John Brock, our festive lighting display at Christmas has been improved. This is an ongoing project and more lights will be added this year.

Council is currently working on improvements to Railway Avenue, taking the new surface past Brigadoon Drive. We hope that the remaining segment to the Information Bay will not be too far behind. Drainage modification to allow roadworks in Erith Street near the station is underway; resealing will take place after Brigadoon. That is also when work on the public toilet block behind the Hall will finally commence.

This will be the 35th Brigadoon gathering, a landmark on which the committee merits congratulation. Here's hoping that April 21 dawns bright and clear for the most important day on the Bundanoon calendar.



Councillor Jim Clark

council news

Council overhaul

GENERAL MANAGER JASON Gordon is taking the bold step of abolishing the three Directors' positions at council.

By the time you read this he will have instead appointed two assistant General Managers. These positions were

advertised in the open market, with the former Directors not assured of re-appointment. It has been suggested, but remains to be tested, that savings of around \$150,000 annually will occur from this re-organisation.

Wingecarribee Shire Council is to undertake a renovation of its Civic Centre in Elizabeth Street, Moss Vale to provide a better quality customer service and bring the building up to a modern, safe and accessible standard. Council is undertaking this project because the existing building has significant maintenance issues, is energy inefficient, is difficult to access, crowded and not consistent with current Workplace Health & Safety (WHS) standards. Works will include a new customer service area, replacement of the roof, windows and air conditioning, the installation of an accessible lift and fire protection measures.

Council is to renew the lease of the Bundanoon District Pre-School in Burgess St for a further five years. Plans are in the making to expand the centre to allow for further enrolments, the school and adjacent land is sited on operational land. Operators of the school the non profit group Illawarra Children's Services are looking at a new building in the adjoining SW corner of Burgess Park, council will need to ensure proper community consultation if this is to happen.

The process for providing a Plan of Management for the Oval and Jordans Crossing Reserve has thrown a few complications at council. Delays in the process are due to the presence of an EEC (Endangered Ecological Community vegetation type) in the precinct and the fact that council does not in fact own all the land, some of which is Crown land. While there are diverging views on what should occur on the land, council needs to ensure the whole site is managed in the best interests of the community. Not an easy task given the differences of opinion expressed by residents!

—Clr Jim Clark, ph 0428 213 939



JCG Travel

Coming events

April 4

Yes, Prime Minister, Sydney Wharf Theatre (fully booked)

April 30

Great Cities of Middle Europe (fully booked)

July 6

Flemington Markets (bookings now open)

August 15

South Pacific, Sydney Opera House (bookings now open)

October 18

Tour of Tasmania (a few rooms still available)

Shop for bargains during Winterfest

JOIN JCG TRAVEL for a shopping trip to Flemington's Paddy's Market and Direct Factory Outlets (DFO) at Homebush on Friday 6 July.

DFO offers discounts of up to 70 per cent on clothing, shoes, manchester, furniture and many other lines while Paddy's is famous for its bargains in clothing, jewellery, food, flowers, music and homewares.

Cost \$28 per head – and there will be a lucky ticket prize, a basket of goods worth \$100.

Bookings can be made with Sandra Nicholls on 4883 7227 or Lexie Grennan at contact@hgreennan.com. Please pay when booking.



Tassie tour nearly full

A FEW ROOMS are still available for the JCG Travel tour of Tasmania in October.

The 15-day circuit around the Apple Isle includes one of Australia's great wilderness experiences, the Cradle Mountain National Park. There will be a two-night stay at the iconic Cradle Mountain Lodge.

Other highlights will be Freycinet National Park, the Beaconsfield mine where two miners were trapped 1 km underground for two weeks, the beautiful Huon Valley famous for its apples, the Salamanca Markets in Hobart historic Port Arthur and Sheffield, the town of murals.

At seaside Bicheno the accommodation will be the Diamond Island Resort for two nights with penguin tours included each night.

The tour leaves Bundanoon on October 18 and includes air travel to Launceston (not included in other tours), coach travel, sightseeing, all breakfasts and 10 dinners.

The cost is \$2690 per person twin share. There will be optional activities including cruises of Coles Bay and the Gordon and Arthur Rivers and a ride on the Wilderness Railway at Strahan.

For a full itinerary or to book the tour contact Anne or Wes Miller on 4883 6343 or email bundymiller@gmail.com.

What is JCG Travel?

JCG Travel is a sub-committee of the Bundanoon Community Association which provides "at cost" travel to the people of Bundanoon. This means there are no overheads, no profits and no freebies. The aims are to provide greater value-for-money, door-to-door service and the security and bonhomie of travelling with neighbours.



"Happy Hour" on Holland America's cruise ship *Zaandam* which took 33 people from Bundanoon to New Zealand with JCG Travel in November.

Photo: John White

South Pacific – special offer

SEE THE MULTI-AWARD-WINNING revival of Rodgers and Hammerstein's *South Pacific* with JCG Travel at the Sydney Opera House on August 15.



Tickets for the matinee performance are now available at \$110 for the Opera Australia production of the Broadway hit that won seven Tony awards in 2008. With our group discount we are including transport to and from the Opera House at the normal ticket price.

The show ran to sold-out house in New York for two years and will run for only four weeks in Sydney so we have a limited number of tickets.

Relive the romance with showstoppers *Some Enchanted Evening*, *Bali Hai* and *There is Nothin' Like a Dame* in the story of Nellie, a nurse on a US naval base on a remote Pacific island and local plantation owner Emile, played by the star of the show, Teddy Tahu Rhodes. They fall in love almost instantly, but their world is still full of prejudice, racism and the harsh realities of war.

"This is ravishing theatre," said *Variety*. "An unabashedly beautiful score," said *Newsweek*. "Rapturous and revelatory" was the verdict of the *New York Times*.

To book tickets contact Julie or Warren Schellack on 4883 7686 or email warren.and.julie@bigpond.com. Bookings require a \$20 deposit.

Bloody Mary and cast in the award-winning revival of *South Pacific* in New York

JCG Food and Wine

An event held at The Bundanoon Club featuring Tertini Wines and Small Cow Farm cheese was enjoyed by 70 guests on Sunday 12 February.

Our next function will be announced in the June issue of *jcg*.



Robert Kay of
Tertini Wines



Sandra Nicholls, President
of The Bundanoon Club,
pours wine for Barry Fisk

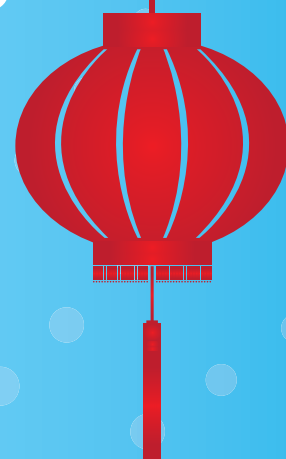


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Bundanoon Club XI at left and Bundanoon Cricket Club members at right

Photo: Karen Kellond



Australia Day 2012

ON 26 JANUARY 2012 a celebration of Australia Day was held at The Bundanoon Club for the first time. Breakfast of bacon and egg rolls got the day off to a good start and barbecue catering by Wayne Fraser, chef at Bistro on the Green, continued throughout the day. Bowls and Croquet were played while the weather remained fine and the highlight of the day was a cricket match between a courageous Bundanoon Club XI and an experienced team from the Bundanoon Cricket Club. Supporters and friends watched the match from the deck overlooking the Oval while enjoying Club hospitality. The success of this event marks the beginning of Australia Day celebrations in Bundanoon. Watch the Club event advertisements for celebrations in 2013.

Bicycles for Humanity

IN MARCH 2011 jcg covered the story of the great contribution a group of Bundanoon residents were planning to make to the Bicycles for Humanity project. Support comes from countries such as Australia and Canada and the group has now collected and repaired nearly 200 bikes for the Bicycle Empowerment Network (BEN) in Namibia. The heart-warming story is available on www.bikesforhumanity.com.au

Donated and repaired bikes are stored in a container at the



Resource Recovery Centre, Moss Vale before being transported to Sydney. Southern Cross Truck Hire at Narellan has now twice provided the vehicle for transport from Canberra and more recently, from Goulburn Men's Shed. There was a planned date in February for a shipment from Sydney of 338 bikes (196 from Moss Vale) bound for Wallis Bay, Namibia. And this is not the end of the project!

The success of the local endeavour has been financially assisted with generous donations from local businesses and residents to a Music Trivia night organised by Bob and Carina Smith in June 2011 at the Bundanoon Club.

The Good Yarn also kindly gave a generous cheque and together with raffle proceeds over \$2000 was raised.

In bike transport terms (estimating the cost per bike to ship and set down at \$25) this equates to 80 bikes funded. Hans Radowitz of Bundanoon was recently featured in an issue of the *Highlands Post*. As well as reconditioning bikes for Namibia he and members of the group have reconditioned 60 bikes (not suitable for Namibian terrain) for the Reviva centre. These include children's bikes and lighter models which have since been sold.

Your mountain bike donations will always be welcomed as the wheels turn to make the next shipment, ...and the next one, happen.

—Kerrie Loane

Local Bicycles for Humanity team at the Reviva Centre



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Please get me to work on time!

IN THE DECEMBER edition of *jcg*, I wrote about the current problems experienced by villagers using the trains and suggested that I was willing to be a conduit to the Minister and our local member on other issues as they arise. In other words to keep the pressure on the polities about the constant difficulties and glitches we experience with the rail system.

Well I asked and I received a bag of complaints. I think the one that best illustrates the current plight is a series of e-mails I received from a relative newcomer to Bundanoon. His name is Stuart Layzell and with his permission I am reproducing an abridged version of his sorry tale of woe.

"My partner and I moved here to Bundanoon in the foolish assumption that we would help forge the way to our government's hope of less city living, open spaces and stress free work and travel. My life has turned instead into a constant battle with stress over the laughable rail service served up to us.

I travel to Sydney three days a week. At first I thought grabbing the CountryLink at Moss Vale at 5am would be the go so I could get to work nice and early in a direct and comfortable train, but no, the CL from Melbourne is NEVER on time, usually 1-3 hours late, so I abandoned that plan. Next I thought the 5.42am CityRail from Bundanoon would be the answer, but no, it is regularly late, and once the Campbelltown connection is missed, I am late for work.

I have been reduced to getting up at 4.15, driving to Moss Vale to catch the 5.10 as it starts there. My journey home is also a race against time to meet connections to allow me to catch the few evening trains home. I generally have to drive to Moss Vale in the mornings regardless, as if I miss the ONE Bundanoon train, I'd be stuck there.

I have stood on the platform at Bundanoon on many occasions wondering why the damn train is late. It is one line to sleepy Goulburn yet there are consistent delays. Often you stand there like a Muppet for half an hour with no announcements at all.

A recent choice moment I can recall is pulling up at Campbelltown from the city a few weeks ago on a train that was ten minutes late. Despite there being about 30 people on my train ready to jump across the platform onto the Moss Vale train, it actually pulled away while my city train was pulling in so we all missed it. All I could do was laugh, which is all the station attendant did when we complained – they truly do not care! Then, I caught the later train after a half hour wait, and for some bizarre reason it stopped just outside of Moss Vale for an HOUR. Points failure apparently. I arrived home at 9.30pm after a 4.15am start, wondering why the hell I have moved here.

The total lack of any regard for customers and the monumental incompetence of the management is at times staggering."

Stuart has kept me up to date with a continuing litany of delays, cancellations and miscommunications and his last e-mail informed me that he was renting a unit in Sydney and will sell his home in Bundanoon.

Has it come to this? Is the future of Bundanoon to be stifled because our transport system has become so bad?

I have provided Pru Goward with nine points and asked that she pursues them with the Government and I have sent copies of Stuart's e-mails to the Minister for Transport asking for action.

Please keep me informed of any issues you have with the railways and I will take these up for you. Whether you are commuting to Bowral or Mittagong or further down the track, if it is important to you, let me know. It is only when people take control and demand action from their politicians that change is possible.

Send all e-mails to thomasab@vitreo.com.au

—Thomas-Andrew Baxter



Rat-pack

WHEN MARY MABBERLEY joined a queue at a new branch of Citibank in Sydney, where they were offering free coffee, she was about to tap the shoulder of the person in front of her to let him know his backpack was open, when out popped the head of a rat! Startled, she fell backwards into the arms of an unsuspecting young man, who took this photograph. We wonder if a cup of coffee was enough to restore her equilibrium.



Letter from Sutton Forest

AT THE END of last year Garry Barnsley wrote to *jcg* in his capacity as President of the Sutton Forest Business Association to let us know that they are working towards the completion of their project in Cosh Park. Nine oak trees were planted soon after a disaster in which nine defence force personnel were killed in the crash of a Sea King helicopter at Nias while on humanitarian service. A decision was made when the trees were planted to postpone the dedication of the memorial until they had matured. (The little park is located on the right of the road which passes All Saints church.)

Garry and Nerrida, whose shop A Little Piece of Scotland was a Sutton Forest landmark, are pleased that the building has been recommissioned and that Jim and Sevim Huseyin, well known in the area, have set up in business there.

Garry's grandfather built the shop and stables in about 1895 and "tolerated the Scots being in possession". The shift to Turkish Cypriot products and coffee at that site "is a striking reflection on the diversity of our nation of immigrants. Goodness knows what my grandfather would make of it?"

And thank you Garry for your compliments about our publication and your best wishes to the team for 2012. —Ed



Pedalling words

by Huw Kingston

Keeping the lid on it?

RECENTLY, A YOUNG German visitor to Bundanoon, a very keen rider and staying at the YHA, was keen to hire a bike and enjoy some of our spectacular surroundings. Once sorted with a bike, I proceeded to fit her with a helmet. 'What is this?' she exclaimed 'I have never worn one.'

Australia is very much a rarity; a country that mandates the wearing of helmets for all riders. Often in this country we accept without question the "nanny state's" right to tell us what is good for us. So, overall, are bike helmets good for us? Personally I have no doubt that helmets are a good thing and I **choose** to wear one on rides out in the bush, in races or long rides on the road, where I weigh up the risks and make that choice. But I object to the law that says I must wear a helmet at all times on a public road. My choice would be not to wear one on a ride to the shops to grab the paper, to the office or to visit a friend in town. Yes, I **could** have an accident en route but should that determine my behaviour at all times?

Let's look at some of the effects of mandatory cycle helmet wearing.

There is no doubt that helmets can help. I've seen plenty of broken helmets that have doubtless prevented some nasty injuries. But what about those people who don't ride bikes because of the law? They are missing out on the immense health benefits of cycling. Many women, in particular, do not relish being subject to 'helmet hair'. Many do not want to reach for the helmet every time they pop around the corner. Countries with the highest cycling participation rates such as Denmark and The Netherlands have no helmet legislation.

A number of studies have looked at how much of a deterrent to cycling participation helmet legislation is. The results show for many it keeps them off the bike. Given it is widely recognized that cycling has huge health benefits, what are the increased costs from lifestyle diseases – obesity, heart disease, diabetes etc – of a proportion of the population who won't ride with a helmet but would without?

There are also arguments (backed up by further studies) that indicate that helmet wearing can actually increase the potential for accidents. *Risk Compensation* is the term used for taking additional risks when we feel better protected. So drivers may drive faster when wearing a seatbelt than without and cyclists may be less cautious with a helmet on.

Then there is the argument relating to *Rotational Injury*, too complex a topic for this short column (go Google it) but a cyclist in the Hunter Valley, booked for not wearing a helmet, took her case to the NSW District Court using the argument that hitting the deck wearing a helmet can increase the chance of brain injury. The judge quashed her conviction commenting 'I frankly don't think there is anything advantageous and there may well be a disadvantage in situations to have a helmet – and it seems to me that it's one of those areas where it ought to be a matter of choice' He found that the rider 'honestly held a not unreasonable belief as to the danger associated with the use of a helmet by cyclists.'

Mass urban bike hire schemes have been successful in many countries, offering the ability to pick up a bike in one city location and leave it in another. Here in Australia they have been doomed to failure by helmet legislation in both Brisbane and Melbourne. People are neither prepared to carry helmets around with them nor share those used by dozens of people. Perhaps we really should have a choice in this matter – Lid on? Lid off?



Vet's casebook

by Ken Davidson BVSc (Hons)

The dark side of summer

WHAT A SUMMER we've had with floods over much of the Eastern States and bushfires in the West. The Southern Highlands has missed out on these calamitous events so far but the pets in our area have suffered from quite a few 'tropical weather'-related conditions.

- There is a minor epidemic of 'hot spots', better known as Pyoderma. What you will see is a moist pus-covered area on your dog's skin. It may start as a small lesion but rapidly enlarges if not treated. They are really painful and the dog licks them all the time. The horrible smell leaves no doubt that something should be done... soon!
- It is commonly caused by a germ called Staph Intermedius which flourishes in hot humid conditions. A quick visit to your vet is advised before it gets out of control. Usually the treatment involves an antibiotic course, medicated washes, creams and sometimes oral cortisone for a short while.
- It is well known that ticks flourish in coastal and tropical conditions. Bundanoon has always had its problem areas for paralysis ticks (near Morton National Park in particular). In the last 2 months there have been cases of paralysed dogs and cats from the usual areas as well as from some areas in town where we don't normally see paralysis ticks. Watch for signs of weakness in back legs, complete paralysis and vomiting in cats and dogs. Always seek urgent vet attention if you see these signs.
- There have been quite a number of dogs and cats coming in with their bodies covered in tiny black tick nymphs. These are in the immature stages of the tick life-cycle. They attach to the skin and are easily felt by hand as a distinct rash over the body. They can be seen on careful examination under a good light. They leave an irritated bite and if allowed to develop, will become a fully-fledged tick. There are sprays available to treat these – ask your vet.
- The warm weather and rain has produced the best pasture we have seen in years and the grass-seed problem in dogs is at a max. The tiny seed heads get caught in the fur and work their way into the skin, paws and other parts on the body including eyes, ears and mouth. As they work in, they cause an abscess and will mostly need vet attention to remove them and treat the infection.
- Getting your pet's coat clipped short and keeping it that way throughout summer is a very good preventative measure for all of the above conditions. They make identification of the problems above so much easier and as a bonus, your pet will feel cooler.
- The snake season was late this year, possible due to heavy rains in November/December. Recently we had lots of sightings of juvenile Copperheads and treated three cases of acute neurotoxicity due to bites. Some dogs and cats ignore snakes, which if left to their own devices usually move off to safer territory. Regrettably other pets are bitten because they see snakes as a challenge and/or a plaything. Watch for vomiting, frothing, staggering or collapse. Seek urgent veterinary help. If possible keep the yard clean of building material, firewood piles and rockeries. Don't let your pet run wild in the bush. Harold Cogger, in one of his snake textbooks cites Exeter, NSW as the 'Copperhead Capital of Australia!'
- The tropical summer brought an outbreak of mosquitoes. These can carry and spread the terminal condition of Myxomatosis in rabbits. Protect pet rabbits by using mosquito netting over their cages in summer.

I wish I had some good news for pets and their owners in summer. Early detection of problems is the best form of control. Roll on the winter!

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An outstanding contribution

LOCAL PERSONALITY AND semi-retired Physiotherapist, Joan Lacey, was recently honoured by the Physiotherapy profession with the highest award for National Paediatric Physiotherapy in the Country.

The award is titled the 'National Paediatric Group Yvonne Burns Award – 2011' and is highly contested by selected representatives from each of the States and Territories. The award was announced at the National Physiotherapy Conference, Brisbane Convention Centre, 28th October 2011 organised by the Australian Physiotherapy Association. The award is *"in recognition of outstanding contribution resulting in the improvement of the health and well being of children and their families, as well as furthering the development of the physiotherapy profession"*

Joan has had a varied career in Physiotherapy. She graduated from the University of Sydney in 1956 and practised general physiotherapy at Concord Repatriation Hospital until 1958 when she took 12 months leave to go overseas. On her return she continued at Concord until she was married in 1961.

She then retired to raise her family of one daughter, Catherine, and two sons, Anthony and Patrick. In 1974, the Labour Government introduced a re-entry programme for many professions. Joan took advantage of the programme and following the re-entry course at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (RPAH) in Sydney she was chosen for employment at the hospital. She started in the Department of Neurology treating accident cases with severe head injuries and stroke patients. She was considered to be extremely successful in helping restore many of her patients to a useful and functional lifestyle.

Knowledge of her capability filtered around the hospital and Dr David Henderson-Smart, who was head of the Paediatric Intensive Care Nursery, asked her to examine a premature baby and give an opinion on its neurological condition. That was the start of what has been an intensive study of the neurological state of premature babies. A search of the literature made her realise that not a lot was known about the development of these precious infants. Over some years, she made observations and recorded physical movements of these tiny babies until eventually she was able to formulate a scoring chart of these physical movements, without the need of physical or mechanical intervention. Throughout this period she continued with her clinical role in the Hospital. She was appointed Head of Department of Physiotherapy in 1996, and Assistant Director of Physiotherapy, RPAH and Central Sydney Area Health Services (CSAHS). She held this position until she retired from RPAH in 1999.



In 2000 she was appointed the first and only Honorary Consultant Physiotherapist by the Neonatal Intensive Care Nursery at RPAH.

Her research and world-wide publications led her to develop the *Lacey Assessment of the Premature Infant*.

Its success has been documented extensively in peer reviewed articles in highly respected international journals. She has now taught the assessment procedure at a number of courses in Australia, the UK, Edinburgh University, Israel, and Dubai. Joan is involved in continuing education for local physiotherapists in the regional and major hospitals of NSW and the ACT through bi-monthly teleconference meetings. She also runs occasional hospital courses for physiotherapists and medical and nursing staff working in intensive care nurseries. Physiotherapists from overseas have travelled here to be taught by her, the latest being Adare Brady from Ballymena in Northern Ireland (who commented that Bundanoon was greener than Ireland!). Joan in her retirement spends most of her time on a farm at Bundanoon where the family breed commercial Angus cattle and also breed and show Australian Stock Horses.

—Tony Lacey

The Lacey family

JOAN AND HUSBAND Tony (an Honorary Senior Lecturer in the School of Chemistry, University of Sydney) play an active role in farm life and still pursue their professional interests.

Younger son Patrick is heavily involved with the Australian Stock Horse (ASH) Society, is the President of the Moss Vale Branch and is on the Committee of the Bundanoon Pony Club. He breaks-in, trains and successfully shows the family horses at local events, the RAS and ASH State Championships. It is hoped that his two very young sons, Cody and Aiden, will follow in their father's footsteps. Daughter Catherine teaches at Bundanoon Public School and has four daughters, three of whom are heavily involved with horses and showing, the fourth is in 2nd year Science at Sydney University. Joan's elder son, Anthony (based in Brisbane) is Regional Business Manager, Northern Region Australia & New Zealand, Volvo Car Australia.



Above: Robyn, Emily and Chrissi Team Yarding at our recent Stock Horse Youth camp.

Left: The grandchildren.
Top row: Chrissi, Jenni, Robyn
Front row: Aiden, Emily, Cody

The mystery souvenir

BUNDANOON HISTORY GROUP began about 30 years ago with a small group of people and modest collections of paper records and photographs. Today we are a large group and the collections are expanding as we discover more about the history of Bundanoon and its people. Home to the Bundanoon History Group is the Old Goods Shed in Railway Avenue. Five years ago the membership and collections more or less fitted into this small historic building. Lack of space means we do not operate as a museum and cannot accept offers of historic objects.



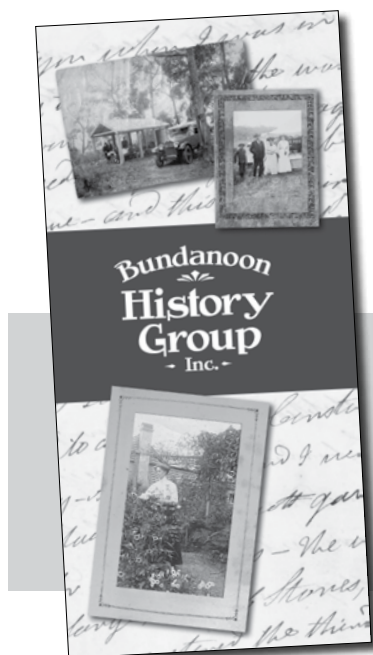
Sometimes, however, exceptions are made, and we do have a modest collection of very small objects relating to Bundanoon's past. A recent acquisition is the cheese knife*, which came to us with fragments of its story attached. This is an electro-plated nickel and silver (EPNS) Alton brand cheese knife, 11 cm long, engraved "Bundanoon". It was kindly donated to us by Cora Frost who has long been a member of the History Group. When Cora discovered the knife it was being used by a friend in Sydney, who had found it in the back of a linen cupboard in a flat on the Kirribilli waterfront in the 1950s. The block of flats was called "Brooklyn" and is still visible from a ferry on Sydney Harbour.

Knowing this much just whets the appetite of the historian and one of our members, Maureen Townsing, set out to discover more. From information supplied by the Stanton Library at North Sydney Maureen learnt that "Brooklyn" could have existed as early as 1908, but probably was built in the 1920s. Most likely the cheese knife was purchased as a souvenir by one of the many visitors to Bundanoon whose home at that time was "Brooklyn" in Kirribilli. The style of the knife and the engraving suggest the knife is quite old. Perhaps someone reading this has a similar knife or can throw more light on our quest.

Everyone is welcome to visit the Old Goods Shed to see the little cheese knife. Old photographs of Bundanoon from our extensive collection, historic documents and other small objects are on display. We are open from 10am to 3pm on 1st and 3rd Sunday each month to coincide with Market Days.

—Liz Walker, Archivist, Bundanoon History Group

*Although described by the donor as a cheese knife, this object is more likely to have been used as a butter knife. —Ed



A brochure has been designed by Ben Mawston of Vitreo Graphic Design to promote the activities of the History Group. Copies will be distributed in early March.



Of world renown

JOHN SHEPHERD OF Bundanoon is the owner of the oldest roadworthy Triumph Gloria car in the world. The Gloria model was famous for its successes in major rallies when they outperformed other British light cars such as the Riley 9, between 1933 and 1936. John has had a long-term interest in pre-World War II Triumphs, (built by the original Triumph Motor Company, as distinct from the later Standard Triumph Company after the war). He and a friend published a book in 2007, entitled *Triumph Cars in Australia, 1924–1939*. This is still available from the author.

The car in the picture was recovered from Frankston in 1990 and restored from scrap over a period of 13½ years. It was road registered in 2006. It is Gloria no. 96 off the production line, with the rare special factory-tuned twin carburettor engine, and probably arrived in Melbourne in October/November 1933, as part of the first Gloria model shipment. It was bodied by Ruskin Motor Bodies and first registered on 27 January 1934. The original owner is believed to have been Mr W.R.J. (Bill) Klauer, a well-known identity in Frankston, where he was Shire President in 1949. He and his son used the car up to 1965 when after two bingles it was taken off the road.

The long restoration involved the total reconstruction of the coach-built body frame, virtually without patterns, and remaking numerous small body panels, all done in his garage. All the mechanical parts were restored and some sourced from such diverse locations as the UK, Western Australia and New South Wales.

Glorias were high-grade light cars, fitted with the Coventry Climax inlet over exhaust valve engine of 1087cc, rated at 46 bhp. John's car is superbly equipped for its time, with a four-speed "twin-top" gearbox and free wheel device, Lockheed hydraulic brakes, Luvax hydraulic shock absorbers, 12 volt electrical system and built-in jacks. Despite its small engine, it has a remarkable turn of speed and will cruise all day at 50–55 mph without stress and return 29.5 miles per gallon on trips.

There are only five Triumph Glorias running in Eastern Australia, and two in Western Australia. Based on historical evidence it has been deduced that there were about 350–400 of them running in Australia before World War II.

Wheels

The splendour of wheels

I CAN HEAR ladies saying, "spare us the macho men and their wheels", but I won't roll over, there is more to it than skid marks. In one sense this brilliant object or invention derives from the circle, one of the ancient primary forms along with triangle and square. In a practical way it developed from the humble log roller to carved solid wheels for pottery turning and to transport in ancient Mesopotamia. From the latter came mobility, steering and power beyond previous human limit.

The wheel enabled humans to escape the Stone Age, eventually reach the moon and feed billions. There would have been no agriculture, as we know it, no industrial revolution without the wheel. Of course, while development in technology and design has been phenomenal over the millennia, as a species we have not necessarily learnt to behave better. All design, all invention, can be *Janus-faced*, able to serve positive or negative intention, but the world is immeasurably better for the discovery and use of the wheel. What would gardeners, builders, engineers, agronomists, medicos, architects, scientists, artists, technicians, sports-people, players, young (or old) children, do without the wheel? The form, nature and influence of wheels is so entwined in our being that our language is rich with allusions and clichés. For just a few: *wheels within wheels, put your shoulder to the wheel, get off my wheel, the wheel has come full circle, what goes around comes around, someone put a spoke in your wheel, hot wheels, big wheel, meals on wheels, wheeler-dealer.*

I have enjoyed a lifetime interest in design, hence a particular fascination with form and function of wheels. Am I a wheel tragic? An integrated electronic circuit is just as wonderful, but doesn't excite me in the same way. When I come across exotics like the fly wheel of an old stationary engine, a giant cast-iron locomotive wheel, a wooden spoked wheel of an old dray or rusty truck, even the minute cogs or wheels in my old watch, I am transported away to things these signify: Past times, transfer of energy, great or terrible events, achievements, vanished enterprises. All of these contained in combinations of wheels.



The picture at right shows 2,000-year-old ruts of Roman wheels in stone paving at present day Timgad in present day Algeria.

Sets you thinking!

—Keith McMenomy





It gets into your blood!

'WE JUST LOVED the atmosphere. It gets into your blood. It was so hard to walk away. There's the buzz of it all, the smell, and the atmosphere. They're like a family, all working together. You can't buy the hands-on, nitty gritty involvement, getting to know *how* and *why* something happens.

We would have done the job for nothing!'

From 1997 Sandra actually *did* do it for nothing, being joined by Ron as they volunteered for weekend races.

Sandra's first job at the Eastern Creek Raceway, then still under construction, was as a 'Girl Friday' in the site office. When ECR was completed, she held the position of Event Co-ordinator from 1991 to 1997, organising the drivers and the race, security and emergency officials, compiling the race programs and the pit passes for each event. Sandra observes wistfully that it was simpler in those days, being 'less fun' now.

She was also a national motor cycle race secretary and an assistant car race secretary, compiling race results, an area in which she was responsible to the Clerk of Course and Race Director. The race secretary deals with drivers, officials and teams, in national and international meetings. Working full time and odd hours, she once had to sleep 'on the job' in order to be up and working by 3am for a 12-hour race.

Meanwhile, at ECR, Ron, who had been a policeman in Britain, volunteered as a pit lane marshal for motor bike racing. He then became a 'judge of fact' for the car races, responsible for the radar speed checks in pit lane.

In 1997 Sandra became a voluntary weekend bike and car race secretary until 2002 when they both retired and moved to Bundanoon.

In 2004 the V8 Supercar organisers invited them to help at Mt.Panorama each year. Sandra ran the front counter of the V8 office for V8 Supercars Australia. Ron worked as a trouble-shooter all over the circuit, dealing with anything that malfunctioned, from portaloos

to the huge TV screens, or the air-conditioning in the corporate suites.

At the Sydney 500 races at Homebush in 2009 Sandra again ran the front counter while Ron worked with daughter Samantha who had since 2004 been with V8 Supercars Australia. Sam was now Operations Manager for the Sydney events where the main guest in 2009 was Jack Brabham.

The great Fangio came to Adelaide for the 50th Anniversary of Formula One, then to Sydney, to drive around the ECR with Brabham. Brabham's deafness and Fangio's lack of English affected their driver communication, resulting in their putting the Mercedes into the tyre barrier in pit lane. Sandra seized the moment to add Fangio's signature to those of Alan Jones and Surtees and others in Sam's precious autograph book – a book she has filled with famous names during her work with Aston Martin in England and with the Australian V8 Supercar organisation when they held races in Shanghai, Bahrain, New Zealand and Australia.

In 2010 Sandra and Ron retired completely from motor racing involvement.

Drivers they have known personally include Gerhard Berger, Jean Alesi, Mark Skaife, Peter Brock, Dick Johnson, Craig Lowndes, Jack Brabham and Jamie Whincup.

The car they remember most fondly, 'a work of art and a thing of beauty', is the one Jack Brabham designed and in which he won the World Championship. Then there are all the Aston Martins and the John Player Team Lotus Formula One black and gold vehicle.

Their memories are held in many boxes of photographs, with some *very* candid shots.

—Margaret Symonds



Riding high with the BBC



ONCE A MONTH in Bundanoon leather-clad locals riding a variety of motorbikes meet for a social ride. Not too far – say about 230 km! You'll see bikes from 250cc to 1200cc ranging from a vintage Vincent to a brand new Kawasaki and makes including BMW, Honda, Suzuki, Ducati, Triumph and Motor Guzzly – Oh, and just the one Harley Davidson.

In October 2008 I was one of a group of local motor cycle owners who kept bumping into each other whilst filling up at Petersen's Garage. Chris, spurred on by our enthusiasm, bought a new bike, and local chiropractor John Kelly, also a keen rider, got hear about our numbers. He suggested that we should all get together. So, he put it about that there would be a gathering at The Bundanoon Club. We were amazed that 42 people showed up and that night the Bundanoon Bike Club (BBC) was formed. John Kelly is our unofficial chairman and keeps us all informed about planned activities via email. One of our members designed a badge that we can proudly pin to our riding gear. The BBC is not a formal club, it is unregistered and we have no official officers, but John's enthusiasm and computer skills hold us together with regular messages.

Since that first meeting alterations in lifestyles and new immigrants to Bundanoon mean that we have lost members and gained new ones but the BBC is thriving.

We meet once a month at The Bundanoon Club where we swap tales, info and advice. On these nights someone takes on the task of deciding the route for the month's ride. We try to keep the trips, mostly on a Sunday, to a comfortable distance – between 200 and 250 km. They usually include a stop for coffee as well as lunch in a hotel. Although there can be exceptions. There was the time when the ride organiser used a map and a ruler

Photomontage by Pippa Kenway

to determine the route and we found ourselves arriving home after a rather long 300 (or more) kilometre ride! We have learned to keep a rider at the rear to make sure that no-one goes missing, or has broken down. We ride responsibly and have several extremely experienced riders in our number. Enthusiastic wives regularly ride pillion and recently a learner has joined us.

We have at least one weekend away a year and after dinner on these occasions we usually suffer a quiz kindly organised by Brian Jackson. We have visited the Chinese Gardens at Cowra, and driven around the race course at Mt. Panorama, Bathurst. There was the time when we booked into the Boorowa Hotel and left our wet weather gear there prior to visiting Stuart Saunders' private motor museum at Binalong. Sadly, however, on our return to Boorowa the skies opened and we were all thoroughly drenched. Consequently, more than one of our members sat down to dinner that night in riding leathers! We have been to the Fleet Air Arm Museum at Nowra and also the Australian Motorlife Museum at Kembla Grange. One of our members has a friend who gave us all a great day at his home and a privileged view of dozens of his motorbikes stored in giant containers, each bike listed, and with their spare parts arranged beside them on the walls.

Last December our annual Christmas Dinner at the Bundanoon Hotel afforded us a most enjoyable evening, good cheer and great food and an attendance of 27.

A trip to Tasmania is being considered for 2013.

As an enthusiastic member of BBC I find our group interesting and stimulating, as we come from all walks of life and have vastly differing experiences.

—Peter Kenway

Restorer, rider, writer

"I THINK IT'S genetic!" says Rod Moore when asked how he developed his love of historic machinery.

A picture in an issue of the *Maitland Mercury* July 1965 shows his grandfather George Moore with his 1929 Auburn and the story begins: "At the moment she's riding high on her chocks with little to do but remember."

Rod's late father Doug also had a life-long interest in all kinds of cars and bikes so from a very young age Rod was immersed in the motoring world of a family with interests in rare cars, historic racing cars and their performance. For 25 years until 2010 he raced historic racing cars and competed on major East coast circuits. He successfully raced the 1957 Nota Consul open wheeled race car for 16 years and in 1998 won the prestigious Dick Cobden Trophy at Amaroo Park.

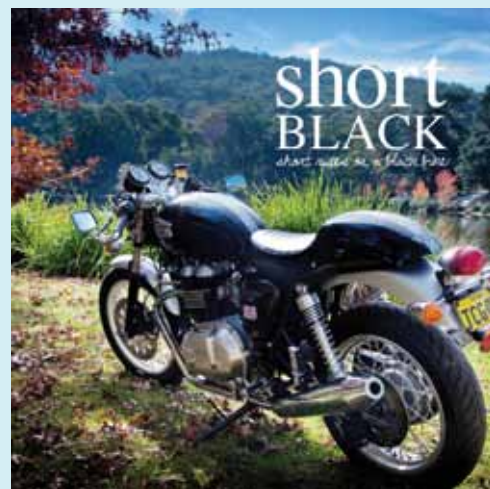


Rod's ownership of his 50-year-old Nota led him to writing *The Nota Files – a marque of two men*, co-authored with Bruce Bloodworth and capturing the details of the Nota car company from the day it was formed in 1956.

Rod and his wife Liz became active members of the Bundanoon community when they moved from the Hunter Valley to the Highlands in 2006. He has four restored registered bikes, one in the process of restoration and another still waiting. About his love of historic machines Rod claims "This is not what I do – it's who I am!"

From the inception of Bundanoon Bike Club (BBC) in 2008 Rod has been riding with his leather-clad mates on trips to Bathurst, the Hunter, Cowra, Boorowa, Binalong and short trips to coffee stops around the Highlands.

These experiences led Rod to the publication of his recent book



Short Black, a tribute to the friendship and camaraderie of motorcyclists and appreciation of coffee in the Highlands. Graphic designer Sarah Nott, daughter of local residents and long-time friends, Roz and Bruce Ryan, has contributed her expertise to the project which began in 2009. Karen Scrimmes, aviator and photographer selected the illustrations from 2000 beautiful, evocative images she took of Highlands scenery and coffee shops.

Watch for this in local bookshops and newsagents or contact Rod at rodmor@westnet.com.au

Rod is also assisting with the organisation of a week-long National Rally of the Velocette Owners Club of Australia in Bundanoon this coming October. Velocette riders from right across Australia, the United States, New Zealand and Europe will be attending. Rod intends to ride his recently restored LE Velocette in the Rally. —PD



Two 'Old Dears'...

...or in the case of the Vauxhall, 'If the handbrake doesn't get you the gear lever does!'

TWO WONDERFUL 'OLD dears' reside with Reg and Annette Wade in Bundanoon; a 'Grande Dame' – the veteran 1917 Dodge Bros 'Tourer' – and her decade younger garage mate, a vintage 1927 Vauxhall Model LM 14-40. This writer had the opportunity to see our village from the front passenger seat of each vehicle. What an experience!

The evocative odour of Castrol R40 – a crude castor oil-based lubricant – transports you into another age the moment you enter the garage. Reg's eyes gleam as he talks about 'real cars' and means those built prior to 1930. Technical/motor engineering terms become the order of the day.

Starting the Dodge was certainly a process. No key turning or button pushing here! First things first. Ensure the car is out of gear and the handbrake is on then turn on the petrol/vacuum tank. Pull out the choke. Put in the crank handle. Turn the engine over 4 times, priming the cylinders with a mixture of air/petrol. Push the choke 2/3 of the way in. Turn on the magneto/ignition, retard the spark (essential to avoid a kickback and broken wrist or thumb – from experience) and crank to start. Run the car for approximately 5 minutes to warm it up. Advance the spark to provide maximum power. Then you're ready to go. Double shuffling – a mostly forgotten skill – is needed to change gear.



Reg Wade with his well-travelled Dodge and Vauxhall

Reg was 'in the right place at the right time' and purchased his Dodge in 1999. It was soon back on the road after a few minor mechanical rebuilds, e.g. new rear wheel brake drums and magneto repairs. The Dodge had arrived in Australia complete with its American body. Unfortunately its early history has been lost although it is believed that at one stage the vehicle changed hands as part payment of a personal debt! Reg first saw it some 20 years before he acquired it. Statistics– Engine: 4 cylinder, 3.48 litres; gearbox: 3 forward, 1 reverse crash box; cruising speed: 30/35 mph; braking: on rear wheels only.

The Vauxhall was purchased in 1994 from only its second owner.

Its original owner purchased it in the form of a rolling chassis from the Vauxhall Motor Works, Luton, England in 1926, through Boyd Edkins (now known as Boyded) the Sydney Vauxhall Agent. Its aluminium body was fitted by Propert's of Sydney. It has a side valve 4 cylinder 2.3 litre engine, with a 4 speed crash gearbox. Its accelerator is in the middle of its three pedals, with gear lever and handbrake both on the right of the driver – a challenge for any driver to avoid one or other going up the trouser leg when settling in to the driver's seat! During its lifetime the car has merely been maintained, being repaired as necessary, so is in 'original condition'. Reg claims a cruising speed of 40–45mph and suggests

that the total miles travelled is 'more than enough'.

Since the age of 16 Reg has been interested in aged vehicles. His first car was a 1928 'A' Model Ford Tourer. He also owned a 1929 'B' Model Ford Roadster and a 1927 Chevrolet Tourer. He is a member of the Veteran Car Club of Australia, the Vintage Sports Car Club of Australia and the British and European Automobile Club of the Southern Highlands.

Under Reg's custodianship the Vauxhall and Dodge have travelled to many assorted and interesting destinations in NSW organised by the car clubs. There are many Invitation Events from other car clubs and it is a great basis for developing marvellous friendships.

—Graeme Whisker

Eyes on the prizes

PERHAPS IT'S IN the genes – Chris Petersen's grandfather and namesake, Christian, won the NSW Hillclimb Championship in the 1920s on a belt-drive Singer motorbike.

Those who have seen the Number 20 yellow Datsun 1200 parked outside Petersen's Garage have probably guessed that Chris is a bit of a petrolhead. He is, in fact, rather more than that. He not only wins races, he builds the cars he races in – and the odd motor bike and sailing boat

as well.

Chris' love of motor racing got serious in his mid-twenties when he built his first "car" – a drag racer in which he competed at the Castlereagh Dragway. Then along came the kids and he sold it to buy a colour TV but today, 40 years later, it's still the fastest iron-head Holden dragster around.

In 1990 he took up dirt-track speedway racing at the Yass, Goulburn and Nowra tracks in a blue Datsun 1200. Son Matt then

started racing go-karts and this looked so much fun that Chris swapped his sailing dinghy for a kart of his own.

It is in his current car, a yellow "improved production" Datsun 1200 coupe, that Chris has had most success in hillclimb and Super Sprint events at major venues like Oran Park, Eastern Creek and Wakefield Park at Goulburn.

The crowning moment was winning his class in the Australian Hillclimb

The Life of Riley (and Holden and Ford)

SOME YEARS AGO I received a phone call asking if I wanted to travel the world, drive fast cars and get paid for it. I had moved to the Southern Highlands and had no intention of going back to Sydney. Ten minutes later, after a quick word with the "boss," I rang back and took the bait.

The call was from Australian Consolidated Press and the job was motoring writer for *The Bulletin* and *Australian Business Monthly* (now both defunct, thanks perhaps to my contribution) and news editor of *Wheels* magazine.

Thus opened the door to a six-star lifestyle. This had been no secret to me. Previously I had been a PR manager of two of the (then) Big Five car manufacturers in Australia and I had been one of the providers of this largesse to others. Now I was to drink from the trough myself.

There are two great jobs in journalism – motoring and travel. An A-grade motoring journo (i.e., from a metropolitan newspaper or high-circulation magazine) can expect one business-class overseas trip every month - and several around the country - to attend the launch of new models.

Competition among car manufacturers for the favour of motoring writers is such that drive programs, hotels and hospitality get ever more extravagant. In a single trip you might stay at the Waldorf in

London, drive the Nurburgring circuit in Germany and eat at the Tour D'Argent in Paris. The mark of a good journo (as most of them were) is to take all this and still bag a bad car.

On one occasion I was shouted to a very expensive lunch on the Harbour to have explained to me that all the problems with the Russian Lada had been fixed because the importers rebuilt them when they arrived on our shores. The irony of this extraordinary logic was lost on my hosts - but not on my readers.

The rigours of the trips could be punishing. Typically there would be a full day of factory tours and a slap-up official dinner on touching down in Germany or France at 6 o'clock in the morning. Back home, after five or six days of virtually no sleep because of jet lag both ways, the editor would be waiting impatiently for a three-page feature.

One BMW trip we called the "medical experiment", such was the pace. First was Johannesburg, Capetown and Sun City (where Naomi Campbell and bodyguards were strolling in the hotel garden), then across to a factory in South Carolina in the Deep South of America, and then to Munich, Germany to drive prototypes on the BMW test track.

But there were memorable moments. On a Mercedes-Benz trip we ascended a very steep mountain in Bavaria to a fairytale castle on the peak. My driving companion and I were the first to enter the grand hall where the bloke anointed to glad-hand the Aussie journalists introduced himself. "Michael" turned out to be Prince Michael of Prussia, a direct descendant of the German Emperor William II.

Some journalists could be a perennial pain in the neck for car companies. One Sydney motoring writer would routinely accept overseas jaunts but not turn up at the airport so the company would pay for an empty business class seat. Once I had to send a private detective to "steal" one of my own press cars from this journalist after he had failed to return it after three months.

But my favourite story relates to a very senior journo who I will call Mike (for that was his name) and who was fond of getting the best rooms and the best cars. A group of journos were sitting in the courtyard of a flash hotel on the French Riviera having a drink after a long flight. The first floor rooms had French doors and balconies and the higher floors had no balconies. "Oops," said Alan Kennedy, then the motoring editor of the *Sydney Morning Herald*, "I left my door open".

Quick as a flash Mike was on his feet heading for the front desk to demand a first-floor room. Kennedy burst out laughing. His room was on the third floor.

—Harvey Grennan



Driving the Rubicon Trail in the Sierra Nevada, America's most famous 4WD track

Championship in 2006 at Bathurst – a pretty big deal. "It was really tight. On the first day there was only 0.2 sec between the three front runners. A young bloke from Queensland was crestfallen: 'That old bugger beat me!' " Chris was also NSW Road Racing Club Champion in 2003.

In his spare time Chris is currently restoring a 1975 Honda 400cc motor bike from the ground up and is an active member of the Bundanoon Bike Club.

—Harvey Grennan



Some of the many trophies Chris Petersen has won

Embracing the future together

'ALL BECAUSE TWO People Fell In Love!' says a little board at the Bundanoon Lodge B&B and it's the story of owners Marie-Louise and Graeme Corin. Coming originally from opposite ends of the earth (Marie-Louise from Sweden and Graeme from New Zealand) and being motor bike enthusiasts they first met as members of the Harley Owners Group. Marie-Louise lived in Melbourne and Graeme in Sydney where he had previously owned a catering business. After some months of a commuting relationship Graeme moved to Melbourne but it was not long before they made the decision to set off on a road trip.



Marie-Louise says jokingly "I closed my psychologist's practice, found 'dog sitters' for my German Shepherd Zoe, and for Graeme's little dogs Molly and Daisy, and we set off to tour Australia." They have made a book from the blog of their nearly 23,000km motor bike tour, riding tandem on a Harley Ultra Classic Electra Glide (and towing a trailer laden with everything they needed for camping).

Leaving Camden on August 7, 2010 they travelled north to the Gold Coast, Brisbane, Hervey Bay, Rockhampton, Mackay, Cairns and the Daintree. In Queensland they toured the Atherton Tablelands, Karumba, Cloncurry, Mt Isa, and Camooweal on the Northern Territory border. Tennant Creek, Alice Springs, Uluru, Kings Canyon, the Olgas, Daly Waters, Katherine and Kakadu provided an exciting outback experience before riding to Broome, Dampier, Carnarvon, Monkey Mia and Perth. From there they travelled south to Margaret River and Albany then headed east across the Nullarbor to Bundanoon.

Graeme proposed to Marie-Louise in Katherine; they would marry in the Swedish Church, Toorak, on Australia Day 2011. In September, while in Western Australia, they had the shock of learning that the 33-foot-long, ten-foot-wide transportable house they'd purchased before leaving and had moved to a block of land at Razorback, had been stolen! The contents of a locked shipping container had also been removed, namely, all their most valuable, precious and irreplaceable possessions, photos and papers. They needed a 'new start' and together they looked into the possibility of operating a B&B. "We agreed. I have people skills and Graeme has catering experience – perfect choice!" explains Marie-Louise.

They saw their Bundanoon property advertised on the Internet while in WA and flew east to look at it. "We had never been to Bundanoon but after talking to Neville and Stefan and experiencing Idle-a-Wile hospitality we were convinced this was the place for us." Returning to Perth they stayed in some B&B's on their next leg to get a first hand picture of how such a place should be run. "And would you believe it? As we came towards Bundanoon the bike broke down just before we got here so we knew it was meant to be!"



The Harley, trailer and tent

On the road



The Corins say that those five months touring Australia gave them a deeper understanding of the country and its people, white and indigenous. They talked with people in camping areas and in towns, in churches and in social groups. One outstanding character was 'The General', a musician in Katherine, who was later to sing at their wedding. He had originally been a road train driver.

They sampled many kinds of foods such as kangaroo, and had a memorable lamb roast with ten different vegetables. "Travelling is a feast for the senses", they say in their book.

Riding the bike in the Outback presented its own problems. They communicated by pushing buttons on an electronic device to speak to each other, and listened to CD's or audio books to relieve the boredom. Gale-force winds sometimes slowed them down, they had to leave the road to let road trains go through and nearly ran out of fuel once or twice.

The couple rejoiced in the wild life. "Waking up to a concert of birds" was common. They saw jabiru, plovers, brolgas, eagles and magpie geese. The colours of the landscape, Barrier Reef corals and Australian wildlife they encountered are now featured in life-size photographs on the walls of Bundanoon Lodge. Marie-Louise and Graeme believe the Southern Highlands area, so similar to their respective homelands, is very special and are delighted to be part of this community.

—Margaret Symonds



Above: Marie-Louise and Graeme making a pit-stop

Left: The transportable house before it was stolen

Fly buys

ROBERT HACKETT, WITH the help of his wife Patti, built a hot rod in his garage in Bundanoon.

Patti is a Qantas flight attendant who regularly travels around the world, so how did she have time to help build a 1932 roadster? "I could not have done it without her," laughs Rob. "Parts for the project had to be sourced from all over America and wherever Patti was in the States I could have a parcel delivered to her hotel. She must have carried hundreds of kilos of parts in her luggage on her trips home... and raised a few eyebrows with Los Angeles customs officials!"

Rob, an aviation engineer with Qantas for 42 years, flying 747s and 707s for 35 years, retired to Bundanoon, where his parents also now live, after searching for two years for the right property. An overgrown garden and paddocks have been reclaimed and with considerable research the decision was made to build a 1932 roadster with modern sophisticated engineering. After two years in production the powerful little car was driven for six months before being sold. "Well, I sold it to finance the next one," says Rob "but not before it won 1st prize at the Chevalier Motorfest in 2010."

"I've raced cars since I was an apprentice. Among others, I drove historic racing cars for 35 years, owned a Mini 850, a Datsun 1600, a Porsche 911 and a Mustang 350 GT, bought in the US. I raced successfully at numerous tracks around the State and although I loved the sport it became too expensive to continue. It was after I joined a club for old enthusiasts, the Highland Cruisers at Bargo that I pursued the idea of building a hot rod.

Rob's sons Peter and Nicholas both have careers in motoring. Nicholas is a service manager with a major Holden dealership at Sutherland and Peter is

a professional racing driver and instructor at the Mercedes Benz Driving Academy in Melbourne. Working all over Australia and in South East Asia he is seldom in the country although he races in GT championships driving a rare racer, the Mercedes AMG SLS GT3, the only one of its kind outside Europe. Placed 3rd last year after completing only a half season he was joined by the German factory team for a 12-hour race held at Bathurst in February.

So, back to Rob's next project! It's the restoration of a 1968 Chevrolet Corvette, not driven for 20 years and owned by a colourful American "TV judge" who in his "real life" presided over the Charles Manson murder case. When complete this one may well turn heads in the Bundanoon CBD.

—PD



Above: Rob in his workshop



Left: The completed 1932 roadster

Racing strategies

HAVING BEEN A racing enthusiast since my teens in Melbourne, I harboured ambitions to become a professional racing driver. However in 1968, on a wet day at Brands Hatch racing circuit in England, a serious accident prompted a rethink and I decided my talents lay elsewhere.

Thus I became involved in team strategy and management at several levels. Any racer will tell you there are more failures than successes but, unsurprisingly, the successes stand out. My greatest successes were at the Macau Grand Prix, where for several years my team's main sponsor was Watson's, Hong Kong's biggest producer of – dare I say it in Bundanoon? – bottled water.

We won both the Grand Prix for Formula 3 cars and the Touring Car race on several occasions, but the one that stands out is the 1991 Touring Car race. Having fielded a strong team the previous year, but finishing only second and third, I was under tremendous pressure from my sponsor to shift allegiance from BMW to Mercedes or Nissan. As I was convinced that the BMW M3 was a potential winner I stuck to my guns, but compromised by including in the team a Nissan, driven by Mark Skaife.

All went well in qualifying with German Joachim Winkelhock (Joe) grabbing pole position for Watson's, with team mate Italian Emanuele Pirro close behind. However, on the slowing-down lap, the German crashed heavily, destroying his car and injuring himself.

We then made a tactical decision to rebuild the car, regardless of cost, so that Joe could start the race from pole. I figured that in

this way, even if he was a bit slow, he would prevent the Mercedes factory driver, Klaus Ludwig, leading the field into the first corner and thus running away with the race.

To cut a long story short, the car was rebuilt, Winkelhock led into the first corner, followed by Pirro. When Joe retired because of his injuries, Pirro inherited the lead and was never headed.

Against all the odds, we had won again!

—Peter Wearing Smith



Author at centre, with his Grand Prix team in Macau

Born to cycle

'Cycling is the new golf', 'More bikes are sold each year in Australia than cars'. Already these are clichés but there is no doubt that cycling is on the big climb up! Whilst a lot of focus has been on Cadel's win in Le Tour, mountain biking has surged in popularity. States and Shires across Australia, recognizing the health and tourism benefits, are investing in facilities for cycling. Some shires now employ Cycle Tourism Officers, dedicated to promoting cycling and attracting events to their areas. Here in the Highlands the popularity of cycling mirrors what is happening nationally. Three of the largest dozen MTB events take place here: The Briars Highland Fling, 3 Ring Circus and James Williamson Enduro Challenge, with Bundanoon's Fling now the largest MTB event in Australia. The sport goes from strength to strength. Young people like Nick Smith, profiled below, are making a name for themselves; 150 primary school age kids showed up for the Kids Fling in 2011. These are the future of what by any measure is a healthy and environmentally sustainable (trans)sport.

—Huw Kingston

FOURTEEN-YEAR-OLD NICK SMITH is a student at Chevalier College who lives in Bundanoon and rides "for fitness and fun"! "My mum Jo had my sister Kait and me on bikes as soon as we could walk. We rode down the street nearly every day and before I knew it I was riding to pre-school."

Nick has become an accomplished cyclist who enjoys both road cycling and mountain biking.

"At the start of last year I bought a cyclocross bike – a cross between a mountain bike and a road bike – because I want to be involved in both sports. Local champion rider, Richard Vollebreght, recently gave me a pair of road wheels so that I can race just about any discipline of cycling that I want to. All I need to do is change my wheels. Previously cricket and soccer were my main focus but I still kept up my cycling and I have since realised that cycling has always been part of me. My friend Jack Reid and I often meet to go for a ride and we came second in the Bundanoon Dash Tandem. Mum often takes me out to the Wingello State Forest so that I can ride some of the great tracks there."

Nick has researched training programmes, working on his core body fitness and diet, especially before a race. He finds there is great camaraderie among cyclists and has received encouragement from

lots of people involved in the sport. "Stuart Reid and Huw Kingston have been very supportive and John Byrne from Bundanoon Real Estate has lent me a bike for some of the competitions."

Nick has been successful in several significant competitions and races in charity events which raise money for Congenital Muscular Dystrophy research. Funds raised by 'Pedal4Pierce', named for a little boy with the disease, support The Children's Hospital at Westmead and the ACT Muscular Dystrophy Association. "A friend of mine, Chris Jefferys, and his family set this up and I was invited to race in a team with friends from Canberra".

Organised by Rocky Trail Entertainment, the Banzai Lifecycle Fitness series take place at venues including Mt Annan Botanic Garden, Awaba State Park and Stromlo Forest Park, Canberra. "A few families from Bundanoon participate in these. We race in teams and the atmosphere is awesome. There are all kinds of activities including free rides which give families an opportunity to try the tracks. These days are so well organised by people who love what they do. In Bundanoon the YHA has a little track set up for young riders designed for skill development which gets a lot of use by local families."

Nick, a good student, participates in many aspects of school life including the Chevalier MTB team where he trains and rides in events. Their four person team was placed second in the ACT All Schools competition at Mt Stromlo last year.

—PD



Outstanding young cyclist Nick Smith

Photo courtesy: Marathon-photos.com

And let's not forget trains...

"I travel not to go anywhere, but to go. I travel for travel's sake... The great affair is to move".

Robert Louis Stevenson

I WAS BORN into steam; my paternal grandfather, great uncles and a couple of uncles and older cousins were all steam engine drivers based at the railway hub of Carlisle in Northern England. I was only eight when I was on the engine platform for the first time pulling down the drive handle – and I was hooked (no OH&S regulations in the 1950s!). From that day onwards until my mid teens I was an avid train spotter – travelling around the country and visiting railway maintenance sheds to tick off the engine numbers in my Allan's steam engine book.

One of the great adventures as a young teenager was the sleeper train the school organised to take us from Scotland to Stratford-on-Avon every year to visit Shakespeare country and attend a play at the Memorial Theatre. Pity the poor teachers with a couple of hundred pupils on a sleeper train (six bunks per compartment). Looking back it must have been pure bedlam.

I realized early on that the journey was just as important as the destination. My first trip abroad was by train through France and the Alps to the Adriatic Coast. It was incredible waking up in the middle of the night and peering out on the majesty and scale of the Alps for the first time.

There is nothing that can replace the power and wonder of the steam train – it felt alive, breathing with incredible power. Our annual holidays by train caused great excitement – the smell of the steam, soot on our faces (and in our eyes), individual compartments, small rural stations with their flower bed arrangements and the occasional hand caught in the carriage door as it shut (ouch!). We were all in holiday mood before we arrived at our seaside destination.

The romance of steam locos is long gone, but fast forward to now – the speed, reliability, comfort and reach of modern train networks in most of the world, if not in Australia, continues to excite and it remains my preferred mode of transport.

Japan's bullet trains are in a class of their own with 5–6 services an hour between the main centres. Europe has always had an extensive system and the Eurail pass is familiar to most Aussies. The TGVs (Trains à Grande Vitesse) are renowned for their speed, but there is also great joy in travelling on local services to small towns and hamlets.

My favourite form of transport continues to be the overnight *hotel* train. This is the best illustration of the journey being as important



as the destination. Champagne when checking in, dinner, a time to meet others, sit and relax, and a nightcap before turning in, cocooned under the duvet. I love the gentle swaying of the carriages to encourage sleep, breakfast delivered in the morning and plenty of time to shower, dress and get ready to explore the destination. I enjoy waking up during the night and looking onto a deserted station platform to read the name and know how far we've travelled.

With the advent of the EU, there are fewer border crossings that now require passport control – though they were sometimes an adventure in themselves. They became place markers, adding to the sense of moving through different cultures. This is such a contrast to plane travel – which though faster, provides little sensation of the distance travelled or the terrain covered.

Over the years I have travelled on less luxurious sleeper trains – from London to Rimini, Amsterdam to Venice, Berlin to Stockholm, Oslo to Trondheim to Bodo, Geneva to St Raphael, Paris to Rome, Florence to Paris, St Petersburg to Moscow, and Budapest to Venice. The Budapest – Venice service was particularly quaint. A couple of years ago, at the Slovakian border, we did experience the passport control and customs routine. The whole rigmarole reminded us of a cold war spy scenario – enhanced by the eerie silence that pervaded the dark night. With sleepy eyes and semi-conscious we listened to the loud voices, approaching heavy footsteps and waited for the knock at our door. Then a polite voice – simply saying "passports"!

To those who say you miss out on scenery by travelling at night – that is only partly

true. In summer it is endless sunlight in Scandinavia and there is something quite magical about the Alps by moonlight and the Italian lakes in the early morning.

Thinking about my train journeys triggers wonderful memories. How can a plane trip compare? And while car travel provides more independence it is not without its stresses and strains.

So next time you plan a trip, think about how the journey can be an essential part of the experience and not just a means to an end. And for a real touch of luxury there are the Orient Express trains, where (I imagine) it is the journey and not the destination that certainly provides lasting memories.

Later this year I will be using the great Caledonian overnight service between London and the North of Scotland. There is something special about waking in the morning to wonderful Highland scenery. This is especially so having had a haggis supper and a few drams in the lounge car before retiring.

—Thomas-Andrew Baxter

Note

Purchasing tickets on-line 3 months in advance is very easy on most rail systems (including the UK) with advance purchases allowing savings of up to 70% depending on time of year and service.

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Men's Shed update

community

THE ARRIVAL OF 2012 marks a milestone in the life of the Bundanoon Men's Shed. Construction of the Meeting Room and Stage 1 of the workshop area to accommodate the woodworking equipment was completed at the end of last year and approval to "occupy" the building has been given.

Equipment previously stored in various garages, barns and containers around the region will continue being cleaned, checked and installed over the next few weeks and the first formal meeting of the Shed in the new premises took place



on the first Tuesday in February. Anyone interested in joining us at our next meeting on the first Tuesday of March is most welcome to come along.

It is anticipated that the Shed will be operating three days a week once we settle in. Bob McCarter will be ensuring that the Shed provides a safe and healthy environment for our activities.

The next challenge for the Shed will be raising funds to allow completion of Stage 2 which will house the metalworking facilities. We are appreciative of NSW Government funding and grateful to Wingecarribee Shire Council for making the site available. Donations

from members and community organisations and the generosity of local tradesmen and businesses have made the dream a reality.

The Shed is not just about tools, shavings and sawdust. It is about community and camaraderie, jokes and yarns, sharing experiences over a cuppa and practical support of members and their families when needed. For many the interest will be in computers, photography, hobbies and pastimes. Maybe cooking!

For enquiries about support, sponsorship or membership, visit our website www.bundanoonmensshed.com for contact details.

—Evan Smith, President,
Bundanoon Men's Shed



CWA report

Won't you join us?

IT IS INCREDIBLE! Another wonderful year under our "aprons" closing with a delightful lunch at Tree Tops guest house in December 2011!

Pre-Christmas time is always so busy that we looked forward to the lull in mid-January

Our first reunion was "Friendship Day" on 19 January. The wearing of a hat for the occasion was encouraged. I arrived wearing a fetching fru-fru creation in black and white looking much like an overweight Eliza Doolittle in the *My Fair Lady* race scene. However Anna Shead stole the thunder with her hat construction of "Fantastic Frothy Feathers" using Margaret Benson as stylish model for the photo-shoots. We all hugged, giggled, talked a lot and enjoyed our usual great spread. We missed our dear member Sheila Topham, whom we hope to have back soon.

Our President, Margaret McNulty, remarked how lovely our "get-togethers" always are and that another bright occasion is coming up for Bundanoon's CWA this year as it celebrates its 85th Birthday. Imagine, we are only five years younger than CWA NSW! Come to the Party!

Although a small Group, Bundanoon is doing well indeed. Our "house" has a new, smarter, fresher and more comfortable look

thanks mainly to Kath Smith's tireless efforts in getting value for money.

Anna Shead's donation of a lovely carved wood box raked in the most money raised at the Group Council Meeting, in Kangaroo Valley, last November.

The "Country of Study" for this year will be East Timor. This is very close to home, and it may prove a challenge.

But then, a challenge is something we relish!

I am convinced no other organisation has constantly achieved so much or boasts more varied interests or wider scopes than CWA. As the saying goes, "A Friend is one who knows all about you but likes you just the same (even if you can't cook!)"

Come along and join us, first Thursday of each month.

—Francesca Gunesch, Vice-President, ph 4883 6730



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Through Ross-coloured glasses

by Ross Armfield

A country classic

IN THE FIRST week of December last year my brother Neil and I decided to travel to Mildura and spend some time on a houseboat on the Murray River. We left Exeter at 2.00pm on a wet Wednesday and would obviously require an overnight stay before the long haul across the Hay Plain to Mildura. It was one of my tasks to organise accommodation. Rather than book a bland and characterless motel room, I looked for a good old fashioned pub in the country town of Narrandera. My thoughts flew back to the central western town pub in Tullibigeal where, as a student teacher in 1971, I was first introduced to the pleasures and quirky ways of the social heart and hub of a small country town: big verandahs, dry heat and ice-cold ale, beer gardens with real plants, generous counter lunches and a welcoming (though somewhat sexist) community. Although women were officially entitled to drink in the public bar, I remember that most chose not to, preferring to sit in the Ladies Lounge into which a shandy and a packet of crisps would be passed from the bar, through a 40cm square hole in the wall. This area was referred to by the blokes as the 'Sows' Pen'. Hopefully times have changed since then!

After checking out available pubs online, I chose the Narrandera Hotel for its beautiful lacy ironwork and wonderfully broad and shady upstairs verandah. I phoned to make a booking and got onto Shirl, the proprietor. Shirl sounded a bit surprised at first – apart from a few long-term residents I gathered they don't do a roaring tourist trade. She was very helpful, offering a room with two double beds. "Is there an en-suite?" I enquired. "No luv, this is a pub! You'll be just around the corner from the loo, the Golden Spoon Chinese restaurant is just downstairs and in the morning you can get brekky two doors down. \$50 for the night okay? Fine, see you then." Fifty dollars? There had to be a catch, surely.



On arrival at the pub it was now a sunny afternoon. A sign outside proclaimed 'Top Pub'. Bragging? Let's see! A warm welcome from Shirl, a cold beer in a large and leafy beer garden, great! Then up an ancient but a wonderfully kept and creaky wooden staircase to a slightly bizarre long room with oddly aligned walls and windows, two huge and comfortable double beds with crisp clean sheets and an assortment of mix and match pre-loved furniture. Around the corner, a huge, clean and beautifully tiled bathroom with wonderful original fittings. Real atmosphere! And no pub noise, no stale beer smells and no stinking smoke odours of yesteryear drifting up the stairs! What's more – nothing that even remotely resembled a sows' pen. All justified the bold claim! Mind you, the Golden Spoon, surprisingly, had trouble with the concept of stir-fried vegetables.

After a great night's sleep in a room, without the obligatory plasma screen television and mini-bar, we had fresh coffee and treats in the local bakery. With 'smiles on our dials' we headed out of town towards Mildura and the waiting houseboat – but that's another tale.

Our stay had been a real pleasure. The country pub was an interesting, quirky and friendly classic, an experience that we'll look for in future travels. Narrandera Hotel had more bargains than just the \$50 tariff. Outside on the footpath was a large sandwich-board declaring, "Buy two beers, get the second one free!!" Top pub? Too right!



Country living

by Keith McMenomy



Sign language

AFTER A DECADE we are still surprised and delighted by the four seasons, the weather and our two- and four-legged residents. By inference we interpret the meanings of both in appearances, gestures or expressions.

All sorts of things flow from a good season. We haven't seen one like this for six or seven years; tanks full and paddocks of grass waist high. High summer is still moist and green; halleluia! Cows and horses are plump, boisterous horses know us well, fixing us with eyes from the fence if we forget the morning snack. Then, for some reason – anticipation? – they fart as we approach. An older head cow musters her small herd at the gate to remind us a change is due and bellows for emphasis. The regular move to a new paddock brings a burst of exhilaration, a short stampede through the gate, a run, then a kick and a buck as they race off through the trees.

But country life is not all fun so let me mention an unpleasant surprise. I had to put down a seriously disabled buck kangaroo that caught his hind leg in a boundary fence. I know, animal liberationists will suggest "take down your b-----y fences". Well, our post and rail sections have plain wire underneath so wombats and kangaroos can't be snared. Even the old wire fences against the bush are full of holes in the netting, allowing them pass through safely. But there is always someone in a hurry! I rationalise this as it is the first such accident here in 12 years and we happily accommodate 12–20 kangaroos grazing our few acres each night. Culling is a dirty word, but across the continent they breed up to plague proportions to starve in dry seasons.

To get back to the point, it is otherwise a bountiful season of mists and mellow fruitfulness. The progeny of only two swallows nesting several years ago under our bedroom eave is now about three families. Younger generations settled nearby, all now sweeping around the garden and outbuildings (and our ears) at great speed. They love the dark garage interior and constantly risk getting shut in. At first light the very extended family sits on the bedroom skylight with much chirping – a pleasant daybreak wake-up call for us. We give meat scraps to the magpies in winter and by now they have overcome spring aggression – snapping over our heads in the paddock – and spend part of their rounds in the garden, expertly extracting worms from lawn. Their young ones screech demandingly for more. One adult magpie broke its wing and races about dragging it behind. Amazing, but it has avoided foxes for months. Then Kay noticed it hop up onto the compost bin wall under a pine, from there onto a branch fork and a bed of pine-needles for the night. The chances are not good but what a smart bird.

Many young things come with a bountiful season. We found a small tortoise scraping a hole to lay eggs near the dam. King parrots, galahs, even the quiet native pigeons have extra offspring this year. The hard-luck candidate is a three-year-old Simmental/Hereford cow who once had a feisty nature, able to vault the stockyard. She put one hind leg down a hole, tearing a stifle ligament so could only limp around, lying down frequently. In December it was pleasing to find her cleaning up a newborn bull calf. After a week or two the youngster learnt to suckle even when mum was prone. As the Vet advised, her ligament has since healed. Happy outcome!



DIY know-how

by Patrick Fitzgerald

Cut your power bill

PSSST! WANT TO save some money? Easy! It's all about paying attention to your electricity bill.

When I was organising the 100 or so solar installations in Bundanoon, I had to look at the bills for each household. The variation was amazing. The lowest for a three-bedroom house with two adults and visitors was \$115 a quarter, and the highest was \$785. Yes, there were differences with appliances etc, but the lower bill households were always conscious of the power. It became a game for some. See how low we can go; beat the previous one and so on. Also, there was an effort put into rated appliances bought to keep the consumption down.

Here are some of the tips. Feel free to send in some more if you have any.

- An LCD TV uses half the power of a plasma screen TV
- When boiling water, only fill up the necessary volume for the one or two cupfuls. A typical kettle uses power at the rate of 45 cents an hour and the vast majority is used to get from 95 degrees to boiling point.
- If the water is too hot when showering, don't increase the cold – lower the hot water volume instead.
- Check the temperature setting on your hot water service if it is electric. Make sure it is no more than 55 degrees. I saw one last week that was set at over 70 degrees so that the water was too hot to use unless a lot of cold water was added. Waste on both counts. The setting is shown on a dial behind the easily-removed cover plate on the side of the tank.
- When you turn on a hot water tap it can take up to 20 litres before you get the hot water you need at the faucet. Only use the hot tap for extended use, not for a quick wash. Your money is reheating the cold water you introduced unnecessarily.
- Lights – turn them off if not needed! Use fluoro globes, or better still, LED. That floodlight lighting up the driveway is using a lot of power – 150 watts. New LEDs can do the same job with 25 watts.
- Clothes dryers – huge consumption! Try to minimise or not use the dryer at all.
- Electric cook-tops can be replaced with gas which is much more efficient. Never have the flame extending beyond the pot size when cooking with gas.
- The fridge in the garage – you know the old one with the beer in it. Very inefficient and because the garage is usually warm in summer its run cycle is high so it costs a fortune to operate. One I saw in Wingello was costing \$25 a week to run. All to keep two cartons of beer cold!

In conjunction with the BCA, and following the lead from a Victorian town, we are trying to get a large number of households together to negotiate a better deal from the electricity companies based on the number of new customers they could sign up.

If you are interested in being part of the scheme send me an e-mail at patrick@variations.net.au or watch out for flyers around town.

Now have a look at your last bill and challenge yourself to beat it. Bet you can do it!



The Bundanoon Club

THE CLUB HAS been busy over the past few months, with a lot more to come. Some coming events are outlined in the Club ad in *jcg*, others are yet to be finalised.

Australia Day was a great success for a first venture, with cricket, bowls, croquet and lots of fun. Our thanks to Bundanoon Cricket Club for their support – the game against Phil Hawksley's Club XI was probably not quite like their usual Saturday fare!

We hope this can become an annual event. Australia Day was celebrated more widely in Bundanoon this year – who knows, one day we may have our own major celebration, maybe at the Oval complex as a whole.

Wednesday evenings have been buzzing, with chef Wayne Fraser serving great meals and the Jokers Wild jackpot reaching \$5,600 as *jcg* went to print.

Wayne has also introduced a "Bonza Burger Night" on Fridays, with all types and sizes of these culinary delights on offer. A cheap and enjoyable family night out is assured, with the chance to also take home a tray of Bundanoon Butchery meat.

The Club was pleased to host the recent JCG Food & Wine event, where some 70 people enjoyed Small Cow Farm cheese and some excellent Tertini wines, followed by Pam Davies' generous antipasto platters. A great afternoon!

Our next Club event is the Asian Food Night on March 24 featuring a variety of Asian cuisines including Indian Curries. Tickets are only \$35, available at the bar. A great night is assured. Hope to see you there!

The Club will be open during Easter; it is also an excellent venue to enjoy the atmosphere of Brigadoon. There will be more on during Easter than usual, particularly on Sunday and Monday. Families are invited to join in the fun of Barefoot Bowls and The Big Easter Egg hunt. Watch for the posters in the shops and around the Club.

Bowls and Croquet are healthy outdoor (weather permitting!) sports. Perhaps you would like to take up the challenge of learning to play Golf Croquet, which is proving to be a very popular and easily learned sport. Or Lawn Bowls on Wednesdays and Saturdays? Free tuition is provided for both.

For details please see our advertisement on page 18.

You will always be welcome at Bundanoon's Club.



Liz Howarth tries her luck in the Jokers Wild draw on Wednesday 15 February. Pictured with Master of Ceremonies Phil Hawkesley.

Fastest growing sport

THE POPULARITY OF Golf Croquet, a sport derived from the traditional game of Association Croquet, is rapidly increasing. In the last two years membership of the Bundanoon Croquet Club has trebled because of the introduction of this new game.

It has proved to be a fun social event with lots of action and strategies that make it addictive. It is a bit like 20/20 cricket compared to test cricket, or drafts compared to chess, and all ages can play. It can be played as a short game of, say, 20 minutes, or multiple games that can take all day. Matches can commence early morning, midday or late afternoon – the choice is the players.

Recent Pro-Am at the Club

On Australia Day a very successful Pro-Am morning was undertaken, introducing new players to the game partnered up with more seasoned players. This was a new strategy, and with breakfast, lunch and dinner being served in the Club proved a great success. Despite threatening rain a great crowd turned up and remained all day enjoying the fun and friendship afforded by playing golf croquet.

School kids learning Croquet

Twice a year an enthusiastic group of youngsters takes over the lawns to be taught the skills of the game under the direction of the club captain and a group of players. Great fun is had and techniques previously never seen on the lawn emerge.



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Pro-Am melée

Club Visits

During any year, social days, competitions, and coaching are held at home and away which can include other clubs at Canberra, Nowra, Jamberoo, Exeter. Some of our members enter tournaments in metropolitan and other country clubs.

Text and photos by Harry Pidgeon



Second ball in



Too much fun is exhausting...

What is...?

RICOCHET: Another form of croquet, in between Golf Croquet and Association Croquet. Ricochet is occasionally played and was demonstrated a couple of years ago by Geoff Bloomfield from Western Australian.

GATEBALL: Has not been played at the Club and is similar to but is not really Croquet. Played on a croquet lawn, it may be seen in the future.

Getting involved

Association Croquet is played on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Golf Croquet is played on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

If you wish to learn more about these great games, learn to play, where to play, join the club, please contact the following:

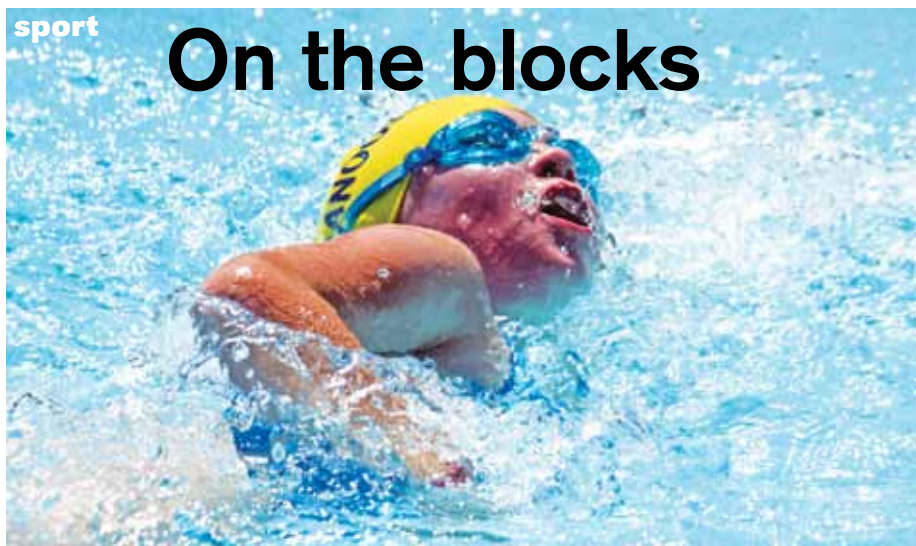
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Bundanoon Croquet Club Autumn Carnival

Commencing on 2 March, a 6-day Association Croquet Tournament attracting the elite of Association players from around NSW, was held at the Club. Visitors enjoyed Bundanoon hospitality and the finer points of the game were demonstrated to spectators.

On the blocks



EVER HEARD A chorus of cries on Wednesday evenings during summer? It's not a migratory flock of cockatoos – although it can certainly get as raucous – but the dulcet tones of the Bundanoon Swimming Club as they cheer their members lap by lap.

Despite what can only be described as a *limited* swim season, come rain, hail or shine you'll find its peak hour at the pool every Wednesday evening as the local children swim their little hearts out to record their Personal Bests. And while the often wet, cold and bedraggled parents willingly volunteer their time and skills to marshal, time keep, post records, shout support and BBQ the post-meet snags, the kids are having the time of their lives!

From a manageable 12.5m race for the young ones to the gravity-defying 200m 'fly' for the teens, kids get to practise their strokes, learn swim race etiquette, better their skills and track their improvements – all in a friendly and fun environment.

The Club's mission is to provide an enjoyable, healthy and safe environment to develop swimming skills, promote an active lifestyle and keep community interest and support of the pool alive and kicking. The Bundanoon Swimming Club has become a local institution. Founded over a decade ago by a handful of parents committed to keeping their kids' swimming skills up despite the challenges of the Highlands weather, the club now boasts over 65 members aged from 5 to 15, and with their associated parents meet

numbers swell to over 90. This rivals pool attendance on any given weekend and ensures that our community pool can maintain its place as the town's summertime hub.

New members are always welcome so please come along and join us for the 2012/13 season. We can't promise sunshine but we can promise it'll be a lot of fun.

For more information on Bundanoon Swimming Club please contact: Lisa Noble (President) on 4883 6771.

—Nanette Moroney



Swimming club for big and little:
Lawson Streatfeild (left) and Jack Reid

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Wolves playing against Parramatta

AN HISTORIC DAY has been organized for Saturday 24 March! Premier League club the South Coast Wolves are bringing all their teams from juniors right through to first grade men to play at Ferndale Reserve at Bundanoon.

For those of you who are unaware the Premier League is the highest level of elite junior and senior football, next to the A League, in New South Wales and there is some outstanding talent out there.

This year there are four Highland players amongst the Wolves including Joshua Day (a Bundanoon local) in the U15s as well as Harry Sutherland, Joshua Nickl and Brendan Mosack who are making their debut in the U14s. Having four Highland juniors playing at such an elite level is a ground breaking feat and proof that our local coaching standards are improving.

"Who are they playing?" I hear you ask. Well, it's an historic event because Blacktown Spartans, who have this year joined the Premier League, will be the opposing side. We are looking forward to a great day of action at Ferndale Reserve.

The Wolves 1st grade team certainly holds some talent with Sasho Petrovski as their marquee player. He has featured in many Socceroo line ups as well as playing in the A league and European competitions (Another player to look out for is Mark Picciolini who was outstanding last year although he has resigned for 2012.)

I have heard rumours that this year's Wolves team is shaping up to be a force to be

reckoned with in the Premier League as they are renowned for their excellent technique and determination. Both teams will be on the field to prove their dominance in an entertaining day of excellent, quality football.

Premier League games are always exciting and adrenalin pumping and as the whole day is free for spectators it certainly should not be missed.

Did I also mention that the Rebels café at Ferndale will be open for great coffee and food and during breaks between games? In the afternoon there will be some small sided games played by our local juniors.

Hope to see you there!

—Tina Day

Kick off times on Saturday 24 March

Grade 13 and 15 Kick off at 9am
Grade 14 Kick off at 10.15am
Grade 16 Kick off at 10.30am
Grade 18 Kick off at 12.30pm
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Mark Picciolini in action against Parramatta



Sasho Petrovski at the Sydney Olympics

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Riverview lookout, Australia Day 2012 at 6:30am

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BRUCE FINLAY, HIGH COMMISSIONER, CLAN FARQUHARSON AUSTRALIA

BRUCE FINLAY WAS born in 1940, a third generation Australian Scot, second of five brothers. The original family arrived in Australia in 1854, eventually selecting land at Southgate, just north of the newly burgeoning town of Grafton in 1861. The Finlays became one of the early pioneering families of the area, being among the first to crush sugar on the Australian east coast.

In 1956 Bruce matriculated from Manly Boys' High School, and later graduated from the University of Sydney with a BA degree in Economics and Psychology. He then studied law at University of Technology Sydney and was admitted to the Bar in 1987. He has now retired from the NSW Public Service, where, as a Senior Legal Officer, he specialised in tax and finance law relating to superannuation. For a period after retirement he was a consultant to the NSW Government in this field.

Bruce and his wife Pauline, who live at Cromer on Sydney's Northern Beaches, have two married daughters and four grandchildren.

Active in sport, Bruce was a dedicated snow skier, and for many years served as Chairman of his Perisher Valley Ski Club.

Bruce has been involved in the Scottish-Australian community from the 1990s, and with his brother, Sydney Finlay (well-known local Brigadoon identity), helped form the NSW branch of Clan Farquharson Association Australia in 2000, serving as Vice President. He also serves on the Committee of Warringah Scottish Society and as Delegate to the Combined Scottish Societies of New South Wales. For quite a number of years he has been active in promoting his Clan, travelling widely in NSW and Victoria and he has presented papers at the Wingham Colloquium of Clan Leaders.

Bruce was appointed High Commissioner for Clan Farquharson in Australia in December 2006 by his Chief, Captain Alwyne Compton Farquharson MC, 16th of Invercauld, following the death in that year of his highly esteemed predecessor and mentor, Beryl Hardy-Nisbett.

—Alaistair Saunders





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Three schooners for Russell

WHAT MAKES A good chef?

Russell Bishop says he has always loved cooking "I didn't ever want to be a train driver or a policeman. I was always going to be a chef. When I was 14 I was helping Mum at Linkside, doing the breakfast and lunch shift, before I started my apprenticeship at the Doll's Point Beach Hut. Wayne Fraser (the Club's Bistro on the Green chef) and I were apprentices together there so we've known one another a long time and now here we are again in Bundanoon. As a trained chef I'd say that probably one of the most demanding jobs I had was as Junior Executive Chef in Sydney at the Rocks Waterfront Seafood Restaurant." Explaining his role, Russell recalls he had a staff of 68 and the job entailed the day to day control of the kitchen and working very long days.

At the Bundanoon Hotel Russell now runs the restaurant as his own business and describes himself as the Catering Manager, having handed over the food preparation to 21-year-old Harley Webster, who had worked with Russell during his apprenticeship. Of Harley Russell says "I guess I've trained 50 apprentices and can honestly say that of those, only two stood out as having what it takes to be really good – and he's one!"

Harley joined our discussion and it soon became apparent that he takes care of all aspects of the kitchen while Russell's time is now taken up with running the business and sourcing produce. He says "At Bundanoon Butchery Anthony Smith (Hoppy) has fantastic quality meat and I'm pleased that I can shop locally".

Harley trained at Moss Vale and Goulburn TAFE and has worked at The Briars, the Carrington Inn Bungendore and was Sous Chef at the Royal Hotel in Bowral.

In 2011 the Bundanoon Hotel restaurant won the *Sydney Morning Herald* 3 Schooner award for Pub food in NSW which is the equivalent of their 3 Hat award for restaurants. The score of 18/20 is calculated on 12 for

food, 3 for ambience and 3 for service (plus "a sprinkle of magic").

The award is a tribute to Russell and his staff: Chef Harley, short order cook Jennifer Sant, kitchen hand Bonnie Gerhigg and of course Carol Apouri who has been the welcoming, friendly face of the bistro for many years. The dish Russell regards as his signature is kangaroo with beetroot relish, which he is happy to share with *jcg* readers.

The present menu at the restaurant includes scallop risotto (another of Russell's specialties) and ram rump with a sweetened sauce. He adds that chocolate mousse and Greg Doyle's 80s recipe for creme brulée are always popular when on the menu.

After working and living in Sydney, Russell and his family returned to Bundanoon 12 years ago. His parents, Pam and Bob Bishop, are well known residents and they had a long association with Linkside Nursing Home (now Warrigal Care) until their retirement.

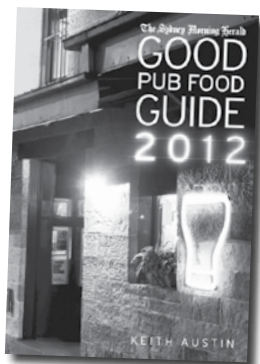
Russell developed a local reputation for his food when he worked at the Manning (now Biota) and The Briars in Bowral but after years of juggling long working hours and family life he decided "that was it! I'm never going back!" For three years he was a painter and worked on a farm until he was lured back into the hospitality industry to run his own restaurant. His wife Rosie and daughters Rhiana and

Courtney are all involved – Rosie, who is Credit Control

supervisor at Moss Vale Harper Collins, does his bookwork and the girls both help at times in the kitchen. Their eldest daughter Carly is a Fine Arts student in Sydney.

"I must say I enjoy being in charge of my own destiny, making business decisions and it's great to see Harley realising his potential. We now have a local clientele as well as catering for visitors to town."

—PD



Beetroot Relish

1 onion, finely sliced
1 knob ginger, grated
1 cup brown sugar
1 cup balsamic vinegar
1 cup orange juice (and
grated rind of 2 oranges)
10 large beetroot, peeled
and grated
Olive oil

Sauté the onions and
ginger in olive oil, add
beetroot and stir over
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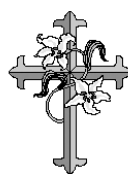
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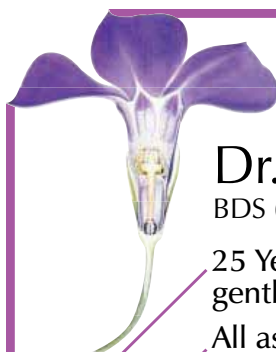
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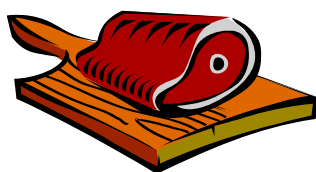
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