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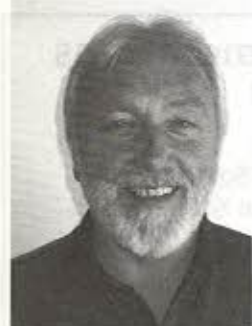
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Editor's notes



Family matters in Bundanoon; in all its traditional and modern forms. We have chosen to profile a selection in this issue and hope you enjoy reading it.

JCG aims to reflect the interests of the people of Bundanoon. We also want to extend this to bring you stories of interest from a little further afield. In the past we have published regular features on young people, travel, cookery and a personality profile 'The Two of Us'.

In our recent 'Arts' issue we ran a feature about a Penrose film maker Kit Guyatt who hopes to have a screening of his work at the Memorial Hall. We also included a story from Marnie Power of Exeter who is an experienced teacher of creative writing and conducts writing classes. She was the judge of our short story competition. We hope you found the stories about local artists revealed talent you didn't know existed in our town.

In future issues, as well as continuing with a theme and our regular articles, we will bring you profiles of organizations in Bundanoon such as Garden Club, Lions and CWA. Their contact numbers appear in the back pages of the magazine but maybe you would like to know more.

We welcome feedback so write in to our new opinion page. We'd like comment on our content.

Unfortunately JCG, published quarterly, is not a suitable forum for discussion of 'political issues' because of the length of time between each edition. This precludes useful dialogue but BCDA encourages residents to bring their concerns to monthly meetings held on the third Thursday of each month.

But, back to our community magazine! We are always looking for ideas - yes, just ideas will do - so please read below.

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On 17 February Wingecarribee Shire Council held a town meeting in the Memorial Hall to discuss the 'Sewerage Augmentation' that is proposed for the Bundanoon Sewerage treatment plant (STP).

This proposal looks at plans to upgrade the STP to deal with the increased demand generated from our ever-increasing population.

It was indicated at this meeting that the STP reached its processing capacity a few years ago. An interim 'aeration scheme' is being implemented to handle the increased load, and then by the end of 2006 a new system will be in place, handling a much increased sewerage load.

This new system looks at reusing the treated water to irrigate rural properties out along Ferndale Road.

There are a number of worrying aspects to the proposal, not the least of which is the reliance on private landholders for the viability of a town's sewerage treatment.

If you are interested in what Council is proposing, please contact the works department of Council during working hours.

Also at our February meeting it was resolved to write a letter of protest at the proposed cuts to rail services affecting Bundanoon.

By the time you are reading this, a world premiere movie will have taken place in our town. The BCDA has been fortunate enough to secure, in conjunction with 'Rural Australians for Refugees', the first showing of Chris Kennedy's latest movie, *A man's gotta do*, starring John Howard, who will be attending the premiere at the Soldiers Memorial Hall. Chris Kennedy's best known movie is *Doing time for Patsy Kline*.

This is a fantastic coup for Bundanoon, and despite not being able to seriously advertise the screening so that Sydney doesn't get upset about being pipped at the post, I'm sure it will increase the profile of Bundanoon across the region and the state.

I trust that everyone who attended enjoyed the movie and got a chance to talk to Chris Kennedy and John Howard.

March is the month of the BCDA Annual General Meeting and consequently this may be my last President's report. I am standing again for President, but my re-election is in the hands of the members, and there are many other people in our committee who could carry out the duties of President with as much if not more commitment than I have. We shall see.



ANZAC Day Commemorations 25 April 2004

10:30am The march will commence
10:45am Laying of wreaths outside Soldier's Hall
11:00am Commemoration Service in Soldier's Hall

There will be an honour guard from HMAS Albatross, CWA, and other town brigades march with us. The Bundanoon Voices will add their talents to this occasion.

Morning refreshments will be available at the Soldier's Hall at nominal cost. An ANZAC lunch will be provided by the Bundanoon Club, at a very reasonable rate.

All visitors are welcome. Please confirm bookings with Trevor Fenton on 4883 6433 by 12 April 2004.

On the occasion of our street party

A poem contributed by 'The Observer'

I see a lot of people eating sausages while they talk
Older folks and our little kids on the new place where we walk
It is a marked improvement, took a while for it to come
Not without a bit of pushing and the banging of our drum.

I would sooner see our people have a lovely place to meet,
Than the swampy smelly gutter we used to call our street.
It's made from our local stone, the mason is quite clever,
And if we all look after it our wall will last forever.

I am not sure about the plants the Council put there to grow;
We should leave it to the Garden Club, they are the ones who know.
To be there at our party was such a lovely day—
A big thanks to the Lions Club and the good old BCDA!

I saw some visitors walking by; they didn't understand.
They looked in all our shops and they were holding hands.
For them to stroll through our party was a pleasant sight to see;
I am positive they think our Bundy is the greatest place to be.

With the passage of our tourist friends and development around,
It's becoming most important to protect our lovely town.
Let's fight to improve our services and not to lose our trains,
And push to get an ambulance and forget those noisy planes.

So all come to the movies and concerts in the hall,
And to the Annual Dinner, you will always have a ball.
Now don't forget the Garden Ramble; see things that you can grow,
And get the kids involved to make the very best scarecrow.

Now if you are civic-minded or just want to have your say,
Come along to your community group – it's called BCDA.
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The orchestra of twenty-two includes three female and one male vocalist. Members have cultural origins in Armenia, Croatia, Holland,

Scotland, Poland, Serbia and, of course, Russia and Australia. Their repertoire of mainly Russian Folk music is arranged by musical director, Victor Serghie, who has been with the orchestra, in its many forms, since its inception 30 years ago.

As would be expected of Russian music the style and mood is both very lively and exciting, as for dancing, or slow and somewhat melancholy and haunting. The composers of many compositions are unknown outside Russia although most people would have heard of Shostakovich, Khachaturian, Glinka and Budashkin. The pieces are relatively short and usually have a rural descriptive theme centred on village life. Trees, rivers and lakes feature prominently in the lyrics.

The orchestra has often accompanied visiting performers from Russia

and there have been several Russian composers and conductors who have led the Orchestra during their Australian visits. Their expectations of a high professional standard and technical knowledge of the instruments has combined to lift the standard of playing to the level it has

reached today and this level is reflected in the recently released CD, "Old Linden Tree". This recording should be on sale in Bundanoon the week prior to, and after the concert.

BCDA hopes you will support this very special event.

Orchestra members have combined to form a sextet for performances at smaller venues



The Rumseys:

by Ross Armfield

Daniel Rumsey's favourite daydream is of him, standing on a dais at a Special Olympics, receiving a medal, presumably gold. While the national anthem plays and the Australian flag flutters, tears stream down his cheeks. With his ability and determination, it's not such an impossible dream.



John, Andrew, Daniel and Sue Rumsey

Daniel is 14 and is a champion swimmer, the proud holder of nine State

“...as a youngster he had trouble dealing with second place.”

records and the National record for the 13-year-olds 200m Medley. He is ambitious and determined. He also happens to have Downs Syndrome.

Danny's parents Sue and John received this news when Sue was six months pregnant, at a time of illness and stress in the extended family. Despite statistical evidence that he was likely to have a poor prognosis Danny's life expectancy is normal. His heart and lungs are strong and a predicted thyroid abnormality is controlled with folic acid.

“A lot of ‘Downs’ families don’t do anything, because they’ve been told they can’t,” says Sue.

“The day before Danny was born,” says John, “we saw a sports show on TV about a 16 or 17 year old boy, with ‘Downs’, who was skiing. Sue and I just looked at each other. We’d always loved skiing but thought that we’d never be able to do that now as a family. That show turned us around. It was a tremendous moment. A realization of what was possible!”

This is one special family. John and Sue have two boys and Danny's brother Andrew is 15, an accomplished pianist with a passion for kayaking. They are equally proud of Andrew's success. Having achieved grade 5 on the piano, he is now the pianist for the Oxley College stage band and will travel to New Zealand this year to compete in the International Music Festival at Christchurch. Also a very talented kayaker, he may choose to follow this sport to much higher levels in the future. He'd love to be a lawyer or perhaps a professional pianist one day.

What makes this family special is not how they have overcome or coped with

Danny's disability, but rather how all of them have refused to allow it to be a barrier at all to their family life. Danny is defined by his ability, personality and success – not by his disability.

Both boys have been raised identically. Both have been given the same encouragement, love and opportunities, though reasoning with Danny and explaining the word, ‘No’, has taken a little more effort than with Andrew, “But not that much more,” says John. “Being so close in years, there has never been jealousy, despite the extra attention Daniel required. Sibling rivalry isn’t an issue – just the normal tiffs and arguments.”

Daniel and Andrew are the best of mates and have a very special and loving relationship. They both enjoy music and look out for one another. If anyone is tempted to tease or get Daniel to do something silly, “They answer to me,” says Andrew. Daniel openly expresses his affection for Andrew.

There is healthy rivalry though, they like to race and compete against one another in the swimming pool. They are both very good swimmers and trained at Bundanoon and Moss Vale swimming clubs.

Daniel has excelled at his chosen sport. It was a different story at the beginning. Initially Danny was petrified of water and the ‘big pool’. “His teacher, Mark Garrard, still bears the scars of trying to get him in,” laughs Sue. Then one Christmas, at her sister's pool, he just jumped in of his own accord and swam, never having had a



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success is no handicap

lesson. There was no more reluctance, it was a turning point or a 'Christmas miracle' as Sue's aunt called it. Danny was encouraged to train with all the other swimmers at Bundanoon and Moss Vale. He's never looked back!

John proudly says, "We get a tremendous kick when he breaks a record in his multi-disability events. It's not just a matter of first down the pool, it depends on the type of disability and on how close their times are to national and world records. All ages, blind, cerebral palsy, amputees and Downs kids can swim together. Deciding who gets the 'medal' is quite complicated." Daniel LOVES to win, and as a youngster, had a little trouble dealing with second place. As a teenager, he deals with it much better, though as brother Andrew says, "He doesn't win silver, he loses gold!"

Despite all his State records, Sue values his achievements at Exeter School and Moss Vale High most of all. He received the Outstanding Sports Achievement Award for swimming in 2003 which he gained against able-bodied competitors. "I love to see and hear able-bodied swimmers reactions to Danny's ability in the water - myths and misconceptions go out the window," says Sue.

He looks forward to further competitive swimming including future Special Olympics.

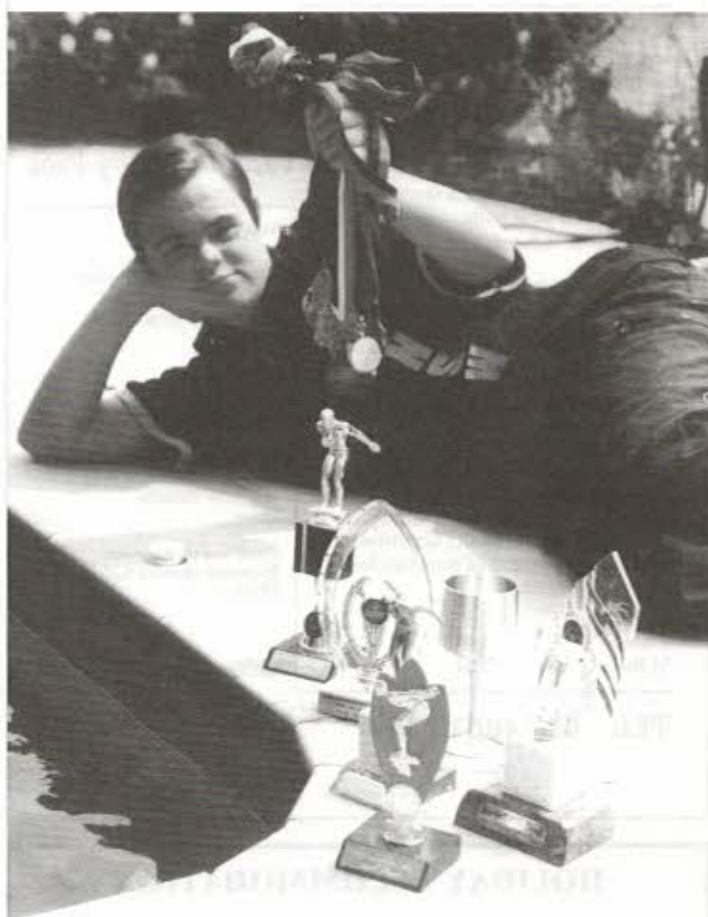
Danny's school career has been one of wonderful acceptance, again dispelling all the fears and anxieties that Sue and John initially felt. From Toybox and

Bundanoon pre-school to the marvelous support at Exeter Primary, where principal, Charlie Moore and teacher, Mark Garrard proved such an inspiration and influence on the Rumsey family. These two particularly helped overcome community misconceptions about 'Downs'. John remembers Charlie calling a public meeting to help explain the syndrome. A question asked was "Can my children catch Downs Syndrome?" "Helping us get over this level of ignorance is something we shall never forget. Charlie Moore was very special and important to us," says John.

Moss Vale High has been great too. Danny has been accepted as a 'doer' and someone who 'has a go'. He is almost revered because of his swimming success and has a great group of mates, like Mitchell Eirth, who look out for him at school and on the school bus. Danny is very happy there.

As for the future, he would love to be a builder or maybe involved in garden maintenance, but for the moment he loves school, dancing, and his winter sport, soccer. Danny is just as determined on the field as he is in the pool!

"Each milestone he has achieved, has made not only Danny, but me stronger as well", says Sue. "Our initial reaction when we found out that he had 'Downs' was that our life would never be the same. And it hasn't! It's been better- more positive. It's helped us appreciate things so much more. Danny's life has enriched the whole family. I once thought that I would have



Daniel loves to win

to live to 100 to look after him, but he is organised, tidy and independent in many ways. I know he can look after himself and that he loves people and they love him. We don't plan too far ahead, basically one day at a time - but as Danny gets older our fears, worries and anxieties get less."

This was to have been an article just about Danny, but that is impossible because Danny is his family and the family is Danny. So here's to the Rumseys, all of them, for not seeing the limitations, only the possibilities. A wonderful lesson and inspiration to all of us!

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I was the Greens candidate in the 1999 and 2003 State Elections and have campaigned actively against overdevelopment in the Highlands.

I am a member of council's Bundanoon Masterplan and Bicycle committees and the deputy convenor of the Glow Worm Glen Bush care group.

I have been an active supporter of the Exeter Village Association in the campaign against the Vine Lodge development in Exeter and the proposal to re-zone the Exeter Quarry for subdivision.

I have supported the local community in their opposition to Telstra's plans to build a Mobile phone tower in Cornwall Rd.

I am a member of the Bundanoon Community Development Association and have taken a particular interest in submissions to council to improve community facilities.

I see the direction of the next council as make or break for the future of the Highlands, and believe that we need policies that make the Highlands a better place to live, and avoid it becoming an addition to Sydney's urban sprawl.

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Kids in the car

by Pam Davies

travel

In 1963 a two door Morris Minor with a racing head conversion was not the most suitable vehicle for transporting two little girls, one in a canvas car seat and a baby in a wicker basket. It certainly gave me power to accelerate away from traffic lights ahead of Sydney buses, but as for safety features it was decidedly deficient. A rolled up foam mattress stuffed in behind the front seats stopped the basket from sliding onto the floor if I braked suddenly. The two year old couldn't escape while waiting for me to dash into the corner shop for bread and milk but I was never sure that this was adequate compensation for the struggle required to lift the baby basket over the folded passenger seat.

The Morris Minor was replaced with a four door second hand Holden sedan in 1964 following a collision with a boy on a borrowed bike without brakes. There were no casualties but some damage to the little car and to my confidence. This was further shaken by a warning by the four year old to boys on bikes as we turned into our cul-de-sac. "Hey boys get off the road. My mother runs over boys on bikes!"

The family vehicle was a great improvement and despite the addition of two boys to our family by 1966, travelling was no longer a daunting experience... Luxury!

Well - should qualify that. Convenience and comfort were improved features but I could never remember whose turn it was to sit in the front. Changing the pecking order was essential to keep the bossy eldest sister in order. Little brothers have enough

problems establishing their position in a family of girls without always being relegated to the back seat. "He's always allowed to sit in the front. He sat there when we went to the beach"...or about her younger sister... "You said she wasn't allowed because she used my coloured pencils".

Remember the instinctive reaction to stopping suddenly? A left arm flung protectively across the vulnerable little passenger. As if...! And what about disciplinary measures when mayhem erupted in the back seat? The same left arm flaying the air amidst uncontrolled giggles from behind.

I wish I could tell you that weekend trips in the 'good car' with their father were more enjoyable but all I have is repressed memories of travelling to the Blue Mountains and thinking, before we left the suburbs, "Oh no, I think I left the iron on! We'll have to go back!"

By the time we were winding our way through Springwood and Falconbridge I was ready to jump out. Three in the back sliding from side to side on

the plastic covered bench seat and an unrestrained baby on my lap in the front wishing he could join them. What's more there were rules. No fighting, no eating and definitely no giggling in the good car!

The one in the middle, deprived of a window, was allowed to sit in the front on the way home which meant that the baby and I joined the sliders in the back.

We tried all the usual games but their attention span for 'I Spy' was seriously short and what's more it interrupted the silence required for their father's assessment of the new car. Remember my modified Morris Minor? Well...that preoccupation with high performance motors continued. "Corners best in third... pulls well in top..." Great!

Travelling in a camper van in Europe was the best motoring experience we had. Sitting sideways on bench seats during the day and sleeping sardine style at night. Three on the top, three underneath...one in

bed, all in bed for six weeks! Four children between the ages of five and eleven had limited fascination with history and after the first flush of excitement about mediaeval castles we were again searching for distractions. Our Motorists Interpreter Handbook provided the answer!

We developed a very amusing game which kept them all busy. There were phrases in five languages designed to convey information about vehicle failures. These were reworked for use in medical emergencies and I can still see them falling about with laughter, especially when they found one they thought appropriate for me.

"We only want the repairs that are absolutely necessary, you can keep her overnight and we'll be back to pick her up in the morning." I thought that was very funny but the little brothers managed to make their big sister cry with - "She has black smoke coming from her exhaust

"I was ready to jump out."



when we start her up. Could you provide us with a replacement?"

"Come here, darling. Look, the moon is following us. That's enough boys, settle down. We're nearly there and you can all have a gelato before dinner."

Of chooks and

by Sonia Klein



Cecil giving Sonia a few pointers

Within a week of moving to Bundanoon in March last year my new neighbour, Cecil Denney, had lured me into his chook yard, loaded his chooks and me into his truck and before I knew it, we were off to Camden to a chook show. This sealed our friendship. There I was in Cecil's circle of friends who were discussing the successes and failures of bantam breeding. I had absolutely no idea what was going on but felt very

privileged to be part of this community. He has opened a whole new world for me and made me feel at home in Bundanoon.

Cecil is a Wingecarribee Shire man. Born on 3 March 1931 he spent his childhood in Mittagong, Robertson and Moss Vale and has lived for the last 40 years in Bundanoon.

For 39 years he worked for the Post Master General Department, often climbing poles in freezing temperatures to repair lines. He still thinks this job took guts but it took him all over the shire where he met up with other chook aficionados. A grand-dad of nine, he fondly remembers the days when his late wife, Marie, also took part in shows and won a few prizes in the ladies division. Both his daughters exhibited in the junior section and "could pick a good chook too".

Poultry fanciers purchase the best blood strains, study laws and principles of breeding and make careful selections to achieve excellence. They spend a vast amount of time, energy and money to bring choice selections to the public.

Cecil used to be a member of just about every poultry club in the district. He holds a life membership with Moss Vale Poultry Club and remained a member of the Sydney District Wyandotte Fanciers Society for 40 years. He mourns 'the good old days' when clubs gave prize money which helped cover costs. He showed me a Moss Vale Poultry Club program, dated 3 May 1952, listing prize money from two shillings to a pound.

Annual membership was five shillings and an entry fee of two shillings covered feed and transport.

"All birds sent by rail will be met and carted free, from and to the railway".

Cecil exhibited in every bantam category and won a prize when there were as many as 1100 competitors. He has also been a judge of all categories but the sweetest success and the one dearest to his heart is the first trophy he won at the age of seven.

"Don't be disappointed if you don't win a prize", warned his mum.

He entered fourteen fowls, won a prize with every bird



Daughters Wendy and Tracey, with Tracey's winning entry at Moss Vale, May 1977

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Serious preparatory work goes into exhibiting poultry. Cecil explains that three days before a show he washes white fowls with Lux flakes, "so that oil can't get back into the feathers". He then grooms them with a silk rag. "A girl's nightie will do!"

He scrubs their legs with a small brush and washes their faces with soapy water. They are dried with a hair dryer and kept out of draughts in a box of fresh sawdust. On the day of the show chooks aren't fed and ducks can't have water.

People like me who wonder why the chicken crossed the road and have been called a 'hot chick' once or twice, may discover what constitutes feminine appeal by consulting a book for breeders, 'The Australian Book of Poultry'.

A painterly vocabulary defines standards of beauty or defects. For example, when judging a Roven Drake points are awarded for colour.

Rich iridescent green head
Bright greenish yellow bill
with a black spot at the tip

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Immigrant child

by Joan Eberle

Australia Day is a time for celebration and reflection of memories of our childhood. Things that happened to us as children play a large part in shaping who we are today.

My father (like many, many fathers) was an ordinary father whose life story has gone unrecorded, yet played a significant part in forming what my siblings and I are today – ordinary Australians proud to call Australia home.

My dad was born in 1911 in England, the second youngest of ten children. His father died when he was a young teenager and his mother, a teacher, was unable to support the younger children at secondary school level. At this time five of his older brothers and sisters had migrated to Australia with the task of buying a small

farm in rural Australia; the plan was to bring their mother out to join them once they were settled.

Dad left for Australia when he was fifteen, sponsored by the Dreadnought Scheme, along with 500 other boys. After disembarking at Sydney, with a small trunk holding all his worldly possessions, he was dispatched to an experimental farm at Glen Innes to learn the fundamentals of dairy farming. His first job was at Denman in the Hunter with a wage of ten shillings per week.

After a time Dad grew restless and decided to head out west to Perth to meet up with his sisters and brothers who by this time had a small farm in the Esperance District. However he soon decided that there was no future for him there, so he jumped trains and hitched his way back to the east. On this trip he met up with a musician who liked a drop of whiskey. He traded his saxophone for a bottle of whiskey and that was the start of Dad's musical pursuits and love of all brass instruments.

On his return east, Dad teamed up with a drummer and played the cornet. His journey ended in Narrabri where he worked on yet

another dairy farm and practised the saxophone and cornet on the banks of the Namoi River. He joined the Municipal Band and over the years played every brass instrument, depending on the needs of the band.

In 1941 he married our mother, a young seventeen-year-old girl from Wee Waa. He set up a car hire and mail contract service in the Yarrie Lake District and they brought their first home in Wee Waa, largely with his savings from playing for dances and balls in the northwest district.

Seven children in quick succession (one deceased) kept our parents very busy and poor. As young kids we loved to wake up on the morning after dad had played for a ball to discover wonderful treats in a huge box on the kitchen table; patty cakes, thick cream sponges and sandwiches which he had charmed out of the ladies in the supper rooms. We all learned to drive out on dusty dirt roads during the school holidays helping dad on the mail runs where we had some narrow escapes and many a delicious country morning tea as each farmer's wife sweated on the daily mail.

At the back of his mind all this time was the dream that

one day his beloved mother would come out to Australia or he would save enough for the trip back to England. I still remember the day that a telegram arrived and dad disappeared down to the backyard where he stood weeping – his mother had died and his dream of seeing her once more was shattered.

From the early 1960s Dad and my three brothers worked hard to establish Lowder and Sons Bus Company, which now services the Wee Waa-Narrabri District. His vision, untiring effort, sense of humour, deep commitment to his family and advocacy of the local aboriginal community made him a much loved and popular local identity.

We had a rich and happy childhood, our parents worked hard to support us in all our endeavours, instilling in us positive attitudes and a sense of family. Our country is full of such immigrant children, unsung heroes whose life has passed unrecorded, yet have helped to shape our country. We must strive to provide the same opportunities that my dad had, in this lucky country, for future immigrant and indigenous children alike, singing with one voice, "I am, you are, we are Australian."



My Dad (Dennis G. Lowder): a handsome 20 year old in 1931



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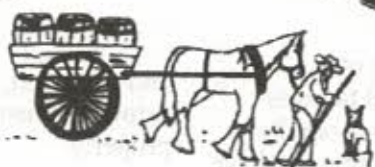
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Kissin' Cousins

by Kate Perkins



(rear) Jack, Anna and Callum, (front) Julia and Bridie

Stop Press: Lisa and Cameron have a new baby boy, Patrick Cameron Reid

Some of the old-established families in our small but rapidly expanding community have three and four generations of their members here – the Ellsmores, the Angels, Roccas, Bromfields, Petersens, Quiggs and Peacocks among them. In many cases the grandparents of these dynasties were born here seventy and eighty years ago, or came as children when their parents settled here. Others have moved on, perhaps to not such greener pastures. And still others, like the subjects of this story, have chosen Bundanoon for the lifestyle it affords them.

Julia and Callum are pre-school friends and cousins. They are part of the extended Reid family in Bundanoon. When Callum graduates to big school, Julia's older brother and sister, Jack and Anna, will no doubt be encouraged to keep an eye on him and help him settle in. Meanwhile, Julia will be making room at pre-school for her young cousins Bridie and the littlest member of the family.

These children are the fourth generation of their family to reside in our small town. Their paternal grandparents, John and Marie, moved here from their farm at Cootamundra some twenty years ago, the lush green of the Highlands in stark contrast to their drought-stricken area. Marie's aunt, Joy Fremlin, lived at that time with her husband at 'Ardross'. John and Marie built their home in Yuille Ave. where Stuart and Sue now live. The Reid brothers, Stuart

and Cameron, run their fine furniture business from the property.

It was during the boys' time honing their skills in the UK that Stuart met Sue, a friend and work colleague of their sister Kathryn who had married and settled in the Lake District. They returned to Australia after their marriage in 1992. Several years later, Cameron met Lisa Papps, a teacher at St Paul's at Moss Vale, and they married in 1995. Hence the cousins!

John has built both couples a home here, and worked extensively on younger brother Malcolm's house in Wagga as well.

Meanwhile, Lisa's parents Judy and Peter Papps have also made Bundanoon their home and are thus able to participate in their daughter's life and their grandchildren's activities.

There's no Saturday morning sport just yet, but swimming lessons, concerts and plays, outings and parties, birthday treats at the local cafés – "a milkshake just with me and grandmother" – and, of course, baby-sitting, are all part of a grandparent's privilege. When it comes to the annual community dinner they have to draw lots.

Baby-sitting grandparents are entitled to bend the rules a little. "Just one more mouthful of dinner and there's a treat to come." Well, there have to be some concessions: sitting up till midnight isn't easy any more! Aunt Joy isn't called on for these late nights, but loves being part of the special family occasions,

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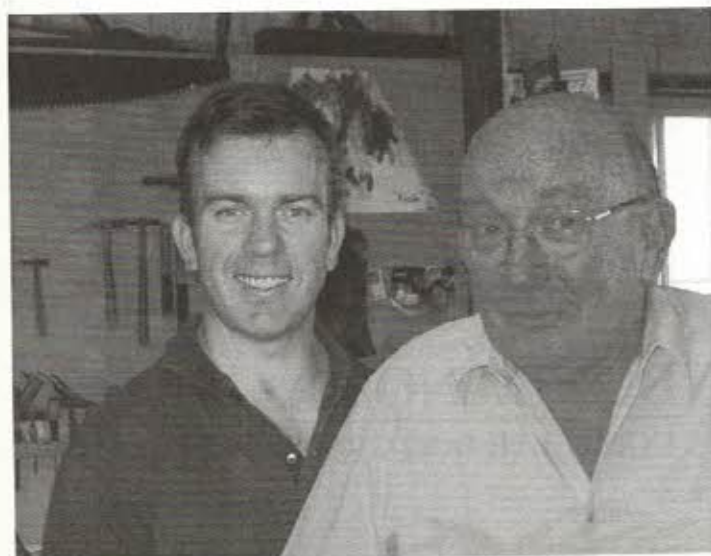
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especially the birthday parties and, of course, Christmas celebrations.

All the adults have some community and church involvement and contribute time and talent generously. Like sisters and sisters-in-law the world over, Sue and Lisa are supportive of one another, and living and working within five minutes of their family certainly makes for close ties.

Ed. If you have a family story you would like to share with readers in a future edition of JCG, please submit it, or contact one of the committee members to discuss it with them.



Cameron and father John in the workshop.

Stuart's wife, Sue, and his mother Marie



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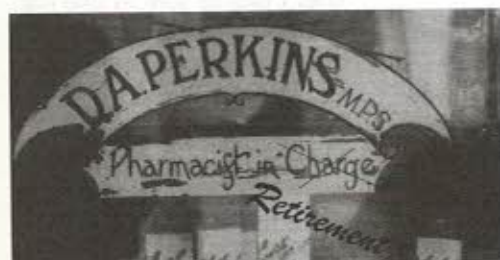


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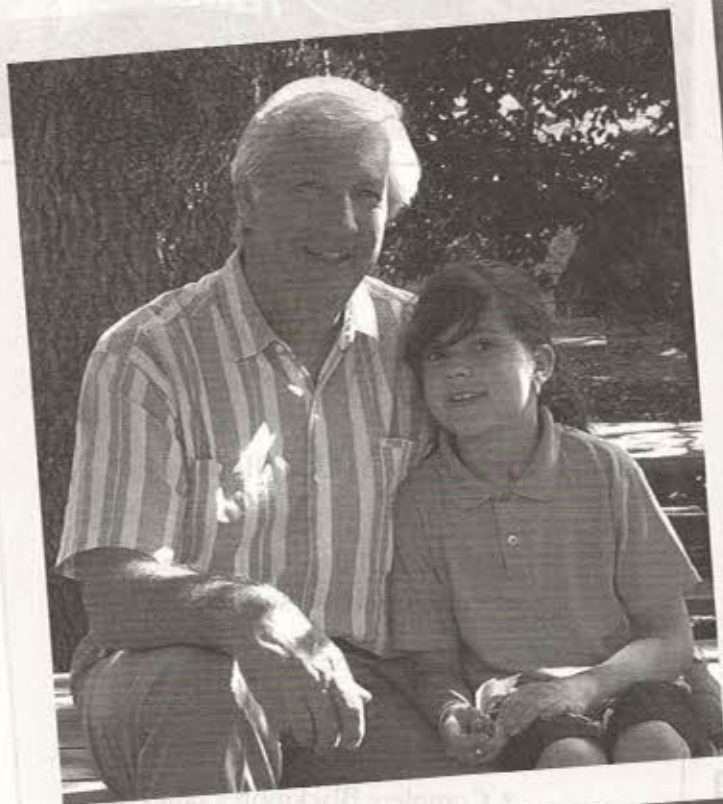
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David and Annie Haines:

by Ann Morgan

David Haines, 62, is an English-born single dad and was the Australian Deputy Chief Censor. He has lived in Australia since 1979. David has two grown up children from his first marriage. He met Clare, also English, in Sydney and their daughter Annie, 9, was born in Mona Vale Hospital in 1995. She attends Exeter Public School and has a passion for ballet, opera and drama.



David: We moved to Exeter when Annie was four and a half. Clare and I were going to buy the Post Office Café in Bundanoon. I love to cook and our idea was to serve light meals and perhaps dinner once a week and to use the attached residence for bed and breakfast. We also bought this house with bed and breakfast in mind. About this time, Clare met up with an old flame and decided to return to England. I felt that a little girl should be with her mother and so Annie went with her.

Annie wasn't very happy in England. We all talked about this and decided that Annie should come to live with me in Exeter. She returned here after six months in England and began at Exeter School.

I was teaching when my other children were young and was able to share in the household tasks and enjoyed cooking the occasional meal. The long holidays meant I could spend a lot of time with them so I had some experience. I am pretty good at keeping on top of the laundry, making school lunches etc. Annie and I are both prevaricators and this can make

the gate – "Is it my fault today?" and I'll say, "No, it's my fault".

Food is the biggest challenge. Annie has very particular tastes. People say it is my doing but I don't see it that way. Since she was a baby she has had very discerning tastes. There were some things she loved and others she wouldn't touch. She likes Stilton cheese and Parmesan, but not any old Parmesan. It has to be Reggiano – if I get a different one or even a slightly younger Reggiano, she picks it straight away.

When Annie was four or possibly even younger, the father of another little girl took them both to a performance of 'Coppelia' in Canberra. She really enjoyed it. We took her to see 'Swan Lake' and after that I had to join in playing the part of both Rothbart and the Prince! Annie began ballet lessons in England but gave it up last year and has now moved on to tap dancing. She is more inclined towards showmanship!

We began attending the opera because on rainy Saturday afternoons Annie would flick through the television channels and coming across the opera program that screens on SBS, would leave it there. She really liked it – even Chinese opera. She likes the costumes and the drama of the whole thing. She has seen more operas and ballets than I had in the first 55 years of my life!

I cannot understand how single mothers manage especially when they have more than one child. I am in awe of them. I am lucky

"I became very much accepted as one of the 'ballet mums'."

getting to school on time a bit of a problem. Annie will often say, as we go out

"Two of Us"

that the work that I have only involves two or three days a month where I have to be away from home. I have been blessed with wonderful friends who help me out no end.

When Annie went to ballet, the lessons lasted for an hour. The mums and I would go to the local café for coffee. I became very much accepted as one of the 'ballet mums'. At the end of the year, I was invited to the ballet mums' Christmas dinner and their husbands were much put out! I enjoy talking with women as they talk about things that I like such as books or cooking or feelings.

I don't know that my age has had a great bearing on things except for not being able to get down to ground level so easily in order to play the games that Annie likes. It makes you more understanding and patient.

Looking after Annie has been a challenge and the biggest challenge is trying to satisfy Annie's emotional needs. Clare visits Australia or Annie goes to England at least twice a year.

I consider myself to be extremely lucky with my offspring. She is invariably cheerful, sings and whistles constantly and always wakes up smiling. She is a happy little soul. Sneaking biscuits and sweets is about as naughty as she gets.

Annie: I remember the playground at my school in Plymouth was very small. I hated it. The first time I went out there I was hit in the head with a soccer ball. I tried not to go outside but the teachers made me.

Another thing I remember

is having to go on long walks with my grandmother to the shops. She loved shopping. I didn't like it.

There was too much traffic in England and it rained a lot. I told Mummy that Australia was home and I wanted to go back. Mummy brought me back to Exeter. The playground at Exeter is much bigger.

I have Stilton cheese on my sandwiches at school and my friends say "Ugh! Are you eating mould?" I don't like potatoes. I like to go to the Thai restaurant in Moss Vale and have chicken and cashews. That's my favourite.

I have a computer in my room and a TV and video. When my friends come to play we play 'jobs' and write letters and answer the phone.

We are going to an opera soon. It is *La Traviata*. Before we go to the opera Daddy tells me the story and then tells me what is happening as it goes along.

Some people say to me when we're going shopping "Is that your grandfather?" "No, that's my dad!" They get embarrassed.

The biggest difference between my friends and me is that they have two parents. I would like it if Mummy could take me to school and pick me up and Daddy could go out to work.

I speak to Mummy nearly every night on the phone. She is coming to Australia next week for my birthday and will stay for three weeks.

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Lantern Walk

by Kate Pirie

Inspired by a German Christmas tradition, a lantern walk at the oval brought families together for a candlelit Christmas celebration in December '03.

Andrea Lenane, who was preschool trained in Germany, is married to Dennis and has four children. She has also had many local children in her care at home. She describes

a lantern walk as a social gathering that everyone from grandparents to little children can enjoy. As night falls they take a half hour stroll around the oval carrying lanterns which the children have made.

"I did lantern walks with children in Germany and about four or five years ago I introduced the idea here. My sister sends

all the supplies and the children make the lanterns. Everyone is so busy before Christmas and candlelight slows things down ... I always come away feeling so happy," says Andrea. "Seeing the children's eyes light up in the dark is what has kept me going with it all these years."

The end of an era has come about this year since Andrea

stopped taking care of our children in daycare. In fact, after almost a decade, it's hard not to associate 'our Drea' with children!

There were tears and smiles all round when parents and children organised a surprise morning tea in Morton National Park in her honour.

"I always felt so honoured to look after other people's children."

Andrea hopes that the tradition of the lantern walk will continue in Bundanoon. "Next Christmas, in the first week of December, we should probably say whoever wants to join us is welcome."

We wish Andrea all the best in whatever it is that this year holds for her.



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Monique and Phillip Beazley:

people

Interviewed by Kate Pirie

"Mum, I think I've met the man I'm going to marry," Monique told her mother when she first met Phillip in the early 1990s.

"What's his name?" her mother asked. Monique replied "I don't know yet, I'll find out next week."

Monique had seen Phillip performing at Sydney's landmark jazz venue, The Basement, where they were both artists in residence. Monique's gig was from 9pm

to midnight and Phillip's from midnight until 3am.

After working as a producer for artists such as Monica and the Moochers and Tom Baker, Phillip sent a tape of his own music to an agent and was invited by Chris Richards to play at The Basement. He explained that he didn't actually have a band, at the time, but soon got one together.

After years of formal study, studio work, a stint in a country band, and an occasional appearance as a guitarist with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, he had written some jazz instrumentals.

Monique remembers him as 'the man of the moment' following the success of a piece 'Communication' commissioned for the Drug Offensive and performed by John Farnham. Meanwhile, she was enjoying years with popular bands, Jackie Orzasky and the Godmothers and her own outfit, Transformation.

After linking up, Phillip and Monique had a country church wedding eight months later.

Fast forward ten years and they are still in love with each other and music. They have two bright, active girls, Charlotte, who has just started school and India who is three. Balancing careers and family is a challenge they have taken on, and this year finds them preparing for a productive, hectic schedule.

Phillip is experimenting this summer with having his studio at home. Standing in the kitchen, eating a slice of chocolate cake that India couldn't wait to cool down,

he explains, with a smile that he likes to be at home but he's not sure about working at home. "There are interruptions during the day but at 10 o'clock I can just slip into the studio"... "I think basically I don't want to work. I mean I like doing projects but not work..."

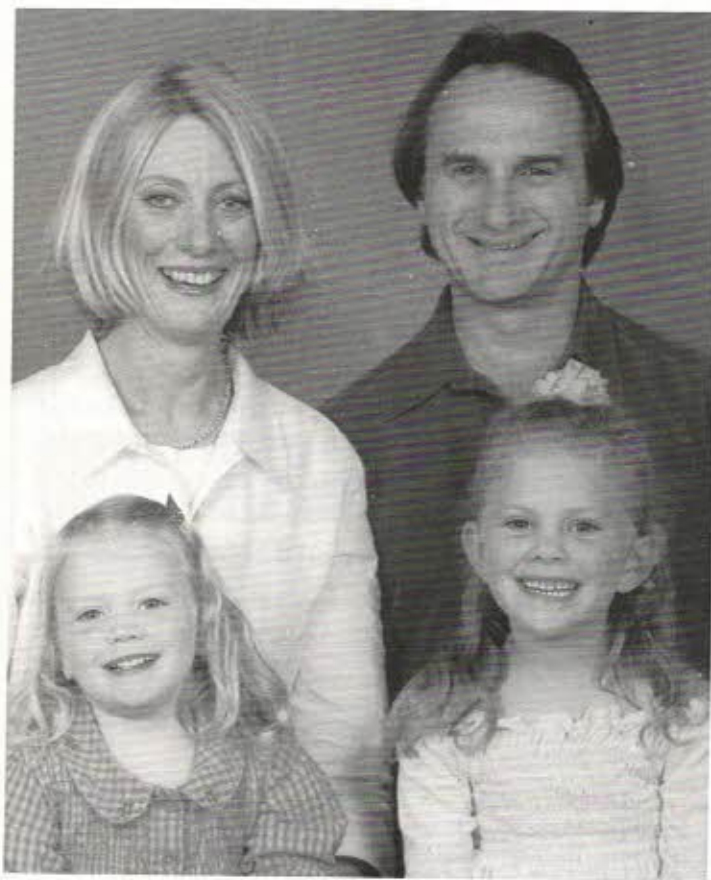
He does manage to work though! He is now seeing returns from approximately thirty countries for production of music he writes, performs and records. His ambient CD 'Evergreen' can be heard in a number of cafes in the Highlands. He and Monique have been pleased to overhear requests for its name... "what is that beautiful music? ...it's not intrusive..."

A few years ago Phillip also did the sound track for a movie 'The Cup'. The music was mixed and synchronised in Sydney but "written and recorded here, in Bundanoon - in our lounge room."

Then there's the long awaited CD which Phillip will produce for Monique! "It will be fabulous jazz - songs you've always wanted to sing!"

The Beazleys came to the Highlands for family reasons and Monique threw herself into training as a chef. Then came the girls!

Charlotte arrived at midnight, the night after Princess Diana died and Phillip refers to her as "a princess to replace a princess". India was born while Phillip was on the phone to their doctor and he remembers there was a rainbow in the sky as he waved goodbye to the ambulance. "One of



"Charlotte arrived the night after Princess Diana died - a princess to replace a princess."

a fine balancing act

her godparents saw the rainbow, too. That was something!" he says gently.

Monique devoted herself to the all-consuming task of motherhood and, not one to do things by halves, gave up singing altogether. She had longed for a family but after twenty years of immersing herself in music, living for it and making her living from it she began to feel something was missing.

"It was Phillip who could see it," says Monique "You need to sing!"

As the children have grown, so too have her musical commitments. She is a singing teacher at Oxley College two days a week and as well as being an AMEB vocal examiner.

She also has the joy of singing with a band on alternate Saturday nights. They know her reputation and "when I walk in, I love to hear them say they are pleased to see me," she says.

"At times this turns into six and twelve week stints

during the year." "...I feel guilty that I leave the girls at home with Phillip..." "...It's good for the children to know I work and have interests."

The girls go with Monique on the weekends when she works with the band and they stay with her mother overnight. She has teaching commitments in Liverpool in the afternoon and after finishing work at midnight leads a singer's life for two hours. "I party with my friends, get up on Sunday and haven't had enough sleep. Sunday's a hard day. Then we go home."

Monique is honoured and excited that jazz icon and pianist Julian Lee, who is living in Moss Vale, has agreed to work with her.

"He has worked with Frank Sinatra here and took up an invitation to go to the States where he also played for Ella, Carmen and Sarah. You feel so special standing next to him. You can call a song in any key...he knows every tune!"

She has also sung the National Anthem at the Bong Bong picnic races every year for the past six years. "I become the Julie Anthony of the Southern Highlands for a day!"...

"Country men take off their hats and the older ones put a hand on their heart. It's an extremely touching moment."

The Beazleys intend opening a B&B at their historic Bundanoon home in March this year which will enable Monique to incorporate her cooking skills into her busy life. With Charlotte off to big school and India attending preschool she will have a day to herself for the first time in five and a half years.

She will be able to give India some special time.

"I've had to say to people who ask me to work - I'm sorry I have two children and can't do these things yet...and it's for just a couple more years."

Asked what is working and not working about their mix of family and careers, Monique replied frankly, "Everything works unexpectedly and nothing works!"

"No, none of the gig stuff, none of the life of being a singer - the dedication, the ambition, the hunger to have to be a singer just doesn't work any more."



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School on present site, 1914

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Bundanoon School

by Pam Bishop

When we came to Bundanoon in 1968 we enrolled our boys, and later our daughter, in the Primary School which then had two buildings and four teachers, and about 75 pupils. We knew after meeting the teachers that we could count on a very happy schooling for the children but little did we know that the school would be the focal point of our social life for the next few years.

We participated in the school grounds clean up and the fortnightly forays into the Bundanoon 'outback' for firewood to keep the classroom pot-belly fires going, the men doing the hard bit and we ladies doing refreshments, the like of which I had never seen! So many friendships were formed here.

If the school needed anything we set to and

raised the funds – for floor coverings, a lawn mower, classroom equipment and so on. This was achieved with raffles, school fetes and cake stalls and so on. Then we had 'The Frolic', an annual fancy dress night for the children, totally organised and run by the parents, no child or family ever missed it, there was no charge and no money made, the prizes, the refreshments and the music were all

donated, such was the town camaraderie.

The lamington drive (our record was 300 dozen) was a sticky affair which took place in the Hall Supper Room on a 'conveyor belt' system. Lots of noise and laughter, and never a cross word!. Progressive dinners complete with Jock Peterlin, the local constable, giving us a police escort from house to house, raised lots of money and lasting

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friendships still exist as a result of those evenings. But ask Erica Petersen how many electric frypans can fit on one power point before we needed the electrician.

The P&C balls were always well patronised, especially the year we had a floorshow put on by the local ballet troupe in tutus and football socks! Our headmaster, local butcher, police sergeant, Bob and Max Clarke to name but a few. I

can remember feeling sore and stiff next day, not from dancing but from laughing.

The Centenary holds happy memories for me being P&C President at the time. We raised enough money that year to put a TV in every classroom and build the stone wall and wrought iron gates that still look good on the Church Street entrance to the school. And I will never forget the old fire engine that we raffled.

Driven by Max Clarke it suddenly appeared in the middle of the Centenary celebrations. I seem to recall that made WIN TV! I do hope the film footage and the Centenary Booklet still exist in archives.

Yes, the social life focused around the school was great and there are many ex-pupils and their parents who still recall what a great school Bundanoon primary was and now they are

listening to their children and grandchildren tell us all how great the school still is. What a wonderful reputation!

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Per-kinder

by Kate Perkins

We came late to the grandparent stakes. The eldest of our four little ones is just three. The joy and pleasure we derive from their presence is summed up in the words I saw recently on a plaque:

Susie and Darcy



"The grandkids are such fun we wish we'd had them first".

I don't claim to have done it too hard. We did, after all, have a washing machine and a fridge, a phone and a car, unlike some parents of a previous generation, but five children in a very short space of time makes for a busy life. With our first three we lived 'above the store' on Parramatta Rd. We have dozens of photos of little children in parks and swimming pools. Des took everyone but the baby out somewhere every day, thus preserving my sanity and establishing a lovely rapport with his children. Parenthood was all-absorbing. In later years I have always felt completely ignorant about the events of the Vietnam War, but on seeing a battalion banner several years ago, 'Vietnam 1965 - 1971' in the Anzac March I realised why - they were the years my children were born, all of them, and world events just passed me by.

For many years my mother crossed the city and came each week with rubber gloves and apron in her string bag, doing what she could to help, reading to the children, taking the baby out in the pram. I

know she sometimes found it testing: "if you don't all stop fighting I'm going out to sit on the front fence", but I know it was rewarding too. Now it's my turn - a day or two in Sydney most weeks, doing what I can for my family and loving the interaction with them. Their sayings should be potted. Speaking of pots, I've promised the two eldest that when they're wearing 'big boys' undies' they can come by train to stay with us. The carrot hasn't been much of an incentive yet but I guess it won't be too long.

On the Sundays that we weren't greeting Mother we picnicked. The logistics of cramming everything into our wagon - with bench seats and no seat belts - had to be seen to be believed. Warm clothes, cool clothes, nappies, swimming gear, balls, bats, food, drink, esky, chairs, rugs, tarpaulins, camera - nothing's changed, I suppose, but we seemed so numerous! We often headed south to Audley or Garie Beach. We'd set out no matter how ominous the weather. As we got closer to our destination and the sky got ever more threatening Des would never give up. "I think it's lightening around the edges" he'd say

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(as opposed to lightning); "look, the clouds are lifting a bit". Sums him up, really! And we always had a wonderful day even if we had to huddle in a cave while he barbecued in the pouring rain. One day, having lunch in the Botanic Gardens, we - Andrew - lost the car key. All the aforementioned articles were loaded on to each one of us and we marched, eyes straight ahead, parents fuming, children giggling, to St James to get the train home to Strathfield. The next morning, armed with all the loose car keys from every Ford and Holden we'd ever owned, down to the station stormed father to see if any of them would unlock our soon to be towed-away vehicle. The gods smiled on him and he drove home triumphant. He had his revenge. Andrew's surf board shot off the roof-rack en route to Forster one year, fortunately not going through the windscreen of any of the cars behind us, and Des refused to stop, claiming peril on the six-lane highway.

My own family always kept in touch with far-flung relatives, travelling from the Central West to Northern NSW and to Victoria in holiday time. We are friends to this day and have a cousins' picnic each Christmas to introduce new family members and reminisce.

Ah, halcyon days. Who would be without their beautiful children?

Max



Darcy and Tiger at the piano



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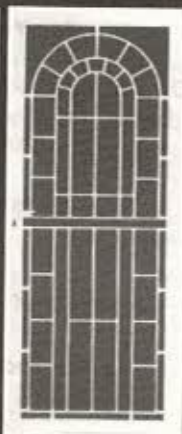
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Falk-lore

compiled by Pam Davies

When Peter Falk was asked how long he and his wife, Virginia, have lived in Bundanoon, he replied three and a half years and, culturally, about forty thousand!

Both are proud of their Aboriginal heritage.

They have four children, aged nine to fifteen and Virginia has recently graduated from the Australian National University.

Their story came to us in a feature from the *Canberra Times* when Virginia received her Master of Laws – her sixth degree in five and a half years.

It is a remarkable success story because she left school in year 10. She was conscious of her lack of formal education and in

1997 resolved to enroll at the University of Wollongong. With a scholarship, she completed her Bachelor of Arts followed by a Bachelor of Laws.

A correspondence course from Charles Sturt University resulted in a Bachelor of Education. A Communications honours degree at Wollongong followed, then a graduate diploma in legal studies, which gave her entry into practice as a solicitor.

Virginia began work as a legal aid solicitor and also embarked on her Master's thesis on the removal of Aboriginal children from their families. This was her main focus for 2003 and has now been completed.

Virginia has also been a singer with Opera Australia

and the Lyric Opera in Queensland, a career which lasted twelve years, following a brief time as a shop assistant after leaving school.

Next year she will begin her doctorate, researching mental health law, at the University of NSW.

This is a very impressive curriculum vitae but Virginia also balances her career with family life. Peter keeps the home fires burning by doing all the things that any partner who stays at home needs to do: laundry, shopping, cooking, school lunches etc.

And that's not all! He is also studying, having taken on a correspondence course from an Aboriginal college in Kempsey which will qualify him to carry out surveys of Aboriginal

people



sites to assess their cultural significance. At present Wingecarribee Shire calls on consultants from outside the area.

As well as having such a busy work schedule Virginia is president of Wirrimbirra Sanctuary at Bargo. Weekends are often spent doing hands on restoration work there. This is a family activity and allows them to spend time together.

This is a remarkable story of achievement to which the entire family has contributed.

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Holding on tightly

They both became interested in restoring old furniture and 'shabby chic' style decorating while furnishing their house. This led to a business idea. Carolyn, needing a challenge, decided to try her hand at retailing. Although Brett continued to work in IT they began with a stall at local markets and as they increased their range of products made the decision to open a shop.

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mistook him for a doll. Their landlady, not expecting to find Carolyn in the shop after Perry was born, asked "... and when are you going to have that baby?" Carolyn was sitting behind the counter so she forgave the comment and just pointed to the 'carry-cot.'

Perry is never short of admirers. He always has a smile for his friend, Elizabeth Ashdowne. John Everett from Jordan's Crossing Real Estate and Alan Polson and Ian Fisher from Bundanoon Bloomery are always ready with open arms when needed. Perry is learning early in life to 'take time to smell the roses' and is a frequent visitor to the nursery.

At the time of this interview the Mehan family were about to leave for a resort holiday in Sabah, Malaysia. This will be Perry's first trip. And what's in a name? Perry means wanderer!

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Manwolf

by Zoe Tindale

We are pleased to publish an excerpt from a story submitted to our short story competition by Zoe Tindale aged 12. Unfortunately her story exceeded the specified word limit of 1000 words. We admire her creativity and congratulate her on writing this exciting piece.—Ed.

Sam's horse was already there, and was kneeling down ready for him.

"Thanks" Sam said, climbing on.

Whitestreak got up swiftly and galloped off. Sam held his lamp high because dusk was already falling. He looked everywhere for the white gate he had seen on the way.

"There! Stop Whitestreak!"

Whitestreak skidded to a halt. Sam slid off and opened the gate. Then he got back on. He rode in and there was a dirt path leading to a sharp corner, turning left. When they got to this place, Whitestreak

whinnied in fear, bucked Sam off and galloped off in the direction they had come. Sam sighed. He walked on until he suddenly came to a pine wood.

The trees were really thick and tall. It smelt very nice. Sam didn't hesitate. He wanted to venture into this wonderful forest. He walked on through the trees, feeling very good. Then, suddenly, he came to a clearing. There were about ten of these beautiful trees, chopped down. On one of these stumps there was a beautiful crown. The crown was gold, studded with all types of jewels. He was about to take a step to get it when a magnificent white wolf came trotting out of the trees.

The wolf was standing in mid air, with white mist around him. He said "I am the spirit of Whitehound, the leader wolf. If you can take this crown, you become the leader wolf. If you can't...I shall have you."

Sam was feeling a bit scared. "How will I do that?"

"You shall run across the mud and if you slip, I will eat you."

"OK" said Sam.

Sam ran when Whitehound moved. He liked the idea of leader of the wolves.

The mud was very slippery and he had to struggle to keep from falling. Then, halfway through, he found he couldn't move his feet. The mud started to swell, pulling him down into its heart. Sam remembered, too late, that if you don't jump the heart of mud, it pulls you in.

"Noooo!" cried Sam, just before his head went under.

Luckily Sam had brought his dagger with him, so now he struggled to get it. The mud was like spider webs, all sticking to him. Sam touched his knife and pulled it out of his pocket. He cut his way to the top again.

He found he was already at the stump. He touched the crown and whiteish, yellowish light sprang all around him. He felt his body changing, he was becoming half wolf. His eyesight became more

piercing and clear, his hearing louder, his nose scent much sharper, and his teeth a lot pointier.

Whitehound came down from the sky and said:

"Word will be sent to your family.

You have won the crown of wolves.

You shall use your teeth as tools, your ears for hearing, and your eyes for seeing.

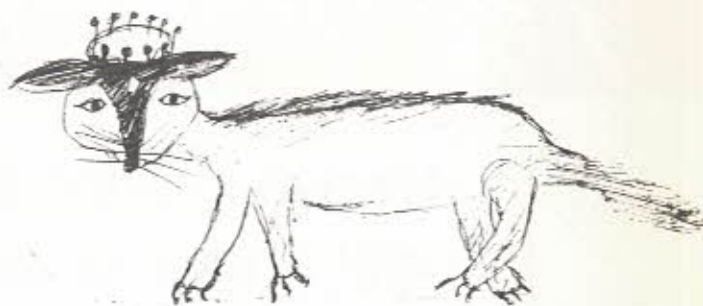
You shall lead with awareness."

Then he disappeared.

Now Sam was a full wolf. Wolves of the night were coming from everywhere, howling to the night, greeting their new leader. As more wolves came out of the wood, they became silent.

Sam of Wolves announced. "I am your new leader."

They all howled together.



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Old Tom

by Lee Ryall

I fell in love with him the instant I saw him. Old Tom. Dad's great uncle.

I was six. We drove all day through stiff dry paddocks along dirt roads that jounced our old Ford around like a grasshopper. When the window was down the wind was hot, and when it was up, I stifled. I could hardly remember the cold of winter.

Late in the afternoon we came to the gate. It was open.

"Typical!" said Mum, climbing out to shut it. Dad shook his head. "Getting past it!" he said.

"Eh, don't do that!" a creaking voice shouted. "He won't come if the gate's shut."

Old Tom loomed out of the roar of the cicadas. He was old. Older than anyone I'd ever seen. His skin had more lines than the sea, and a million brown marks.

Mum jumped.

"Oh, there you are, Uncle Tom. Just shutting the gate for the stock," she said.

"Don't be silly, girl. Can't you see I'm waiting for the rain?" He pointed to a shelter beside the gate, woven from some vine that had lost all its leaves to the heat.

"We'll just drive up to the house, Uncle Tom. Why don't you hop in?" asked Dad. "We've come all this way to see you."

"I'll be up when my work's done. Not before," said the old man. And he stomped back to his shelter.

Mum and Dad exchanged glances.

"Can I stay?" I asked.

"What do you think?" asked Mum.

"He's harmless," said Dad.

Finally they agreed.

"We'll just be up the end of the drive if you want us," Dad added.

I squashed in beside Uncle Tom. He smelled deliciously of dirt and cows. "When will the rain come?" I asked.

"The creature will bring it," he said.

"What creature?"

"You'll see," he said, and sank back into silence.

"Will we have to wait long?" I asked after a while. Afternoon tea would be served by now.

"He comes when he's ready," he replied, adding after a pause, "Never makes me wait too long."

It might have been an hour later when I noticed the dog padding up the road. He was the same colour as the road – rusty red. I pointed, and Old Tom nodded. His eyes gleamed. He seemed excited. But quiet.

Then I realised the animal was taller than the fence posts – too big for a dog. And he walked straight up the road, not stopping to sniff after rabbits or lift his leg on the way. His strange yellow eyes seemed uninterested in his surroundings.

He walked right to our gate. I clutched Uncle Tom's hand. "Will he bite?" I asked in a whisper.

Old Tom patted my shoulder.

The dog turned in to the driveway, a touch restless now. We slipped out of the shelter and followed him to the house, hand in hand.

At the back door the creature turned to face us. One of the muscles in his shoulder twitched.

"Stay there," said Tom.

We headed across the yard into a shed. It was cool and

dark inside. Tom dragged the carcass of a whole sheep out of an old fridge and hoisted it on his shoulder.

"He doesn't get one of these very often," he whispered. I thought the dog could probably get as many as it wanted without any help at all, but I nodded. Old Tom crossed the yard and laid the sheep on the ground in front of the animal.

I crept behind Tom as the dog subsided onto the back door mat and tore into the meat, keeping one of his pale eyes on us.

"We'd best be using the front door," said Old Tom.

So we went to claim what was left of the afternoon tea. Scones and jam and cream. And sponge cake.

And while we sat around the old wooden table in the kitchen, the rain started. Great heavy drops that crashed onto the iron roof. Then a downpour that drowned our conversation and hid the view from the windows.

"It'll keep on till morning," said Tom.

Aunt Mary, Old Tom's daughter, smiled.

We didn't go back nearly as often as I'd have liked. I was studying environmental agriculture at university when Mum called to tell me Old Tom had died. At ninety-eight.

I went to the funeral, the only representative of my family. The old place was much the same. Aunt Mary was going to live with her daughter. And Tom had left the farm to me. That was a shock.

The night of the funeral I walked up the driveway, wondering how this fitted into my plans. Images flashed through my mind of Old Tom, the times I'd visited

story

competition winner



him over the years, and the dreamlike encounter with the creature. The paddocks were dust dry. The heat poured out of the ground. If only it would rain, I thought.

Inside, Aunt Mary was sorting. She didn't want to talk about her future. She wouldn't sit down and rest.

"Do you want that?" she asked, pointing to a bust of a much younger Tom than I had ever known. "It should stay with the house."

I nodded, gripped by an idea. I tucked the thing under my arm and headed out.

"Where are you going?" Mary asked.

"To wait for the rain," I said. She clicked her tongue, disapproving.

And I did. I placed Tom's bust near the gate and settled in Tom's shelter, waiting. We waited together. Old Tom and I.

About midnight he came. A pale shadow in the moonlight. He hadn't changed. He still scared me. But I followed him to the back door, and fed him on a side of beef I found in the freezer.

"I bet he doesn't get one of these very often," I said to myself as he crunched the hind leg. I waited for the first drops before I went around to the front door.

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Wingecarribee Health Service: Your Health Service

health

by Heather Gale

Did you know that Wingecarribee Health Service is the current title given to the providers of Public Health in the Wingecarribee Shire?

Your public health services are provided by Bowral Hospital Services and Bowral Community Health Services.

The Wingecarribee Health Service values health and encourages active participation of the community in health service planning, development, service delivery, and service evaluation.

Community input is regarded as fundamental and essential to meet the health concerns of our community. We call this 'Community Participation' and the Wingecarribee Health Service has a

Department solely dedicated to supporting this process.

I am the Community Participation Coordinator, based at Bowral Hospital and available for contact Tuesday through to Thursday.

Residents of Bundanoon may be interested to know that I have been a part of Health Services for 20 years and believe community participation in these services is a democratic right.

Good health services don't just happen. We need your ideas and help. If you'd like to be involved in this interesting and informative process, you will be helping yourself and your community:

- to have a say
- to use your knowledge and experiences to

address local health issues

- to identify health needs
- to work together to create better health services and be proud of them.

If you would like to share your health concerns and provide your input, consider joining the Wingecarribee Community Participation Network, (known as the CPRs).

The CPRs meet once a month at Bowral Hospital for health service information and discussion. Please contact me if you would like to hear more about Community Participation.

Contact:
Heather Gale
Community Participation
Coordinator
Ph 4861 0287

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We want to thank all the residents who have taken on our recent bushfire prevention campaign. It is great to see so many Static Water supply signs popping up on fences and gates, as well as those who have taken steps to reduce the bushfire hazard around their homes. We hope this continues every year.

Anyone who attended January's BCDA meeting would be aware that the Brigade is running a recruiting drive for new firefighters (men and women). We often hear misconceptions people have about the Brigade and how it works, so here's what the Brigade wants from you, and what you get in return.

Requirements

- Be male or female, over the age of 18 and be of general fitness and well being

- Live or work within seven kilometres of the Fire Station in Anzac Parade
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- Be willing to respond to emergency calls any time of the day or night, 365 days a year,
- Be available to attend a minimum of two drills per month (usually held each second and fourth Monday of the month from 7pm-9pm) plus special training as required.

And a willingness to come and learn lots of new skills and meet a great bunch of people who are interested in preserving life and property and preventing fires in your town.

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We offer an exciting experience to anyone willing to take up the challenge. Getting involved is also a great way to meet new people.

So, if you are interested, please phone us or drop into the station. We welcome visitors any time, so drop in! Generally the station is open on weekends and on the second and fourth Monday night of each month (7-9pm).

Contact:

Darren Willoughby
Captain
Ph 4883 6333
darren.willoughby@
fire.nsw.gov.au
www.fire.nsw.gov.au

Swimming Club

As at the last edition of the JCG, your Swimming Club's future was very much in doubt. The committee was anxiously awaiting a decision from the NSW Swimming Association to see whether or not we had successfully acquired affiliation, (and with that the appropriate insurance), enabling us to operate. Notification of our affiliation was finally received at 3:30pm on 29 October. Less than three hours later we

were holding our first meet for the season at the Bundanoon Swimming Centre. This was a triumphant and relieving moment for the committee and the club as a whole.

Swimming club has not been all 'smooth sailing' since. We had the resignation of our registrar, but were lucky enough to have Michelle Kelly step in and take up the position for the remainder

of the season - thank you Michelle. Our lifeguard, Simon, became very ill for several weeks and wasn't able to attend meetings. The bronze medallion qualified Andrea Lenane then filled in for him. Simon is now back on board and feeling a lot better.

The Swimming Club has continued to run every Wednesday evening with a four-week break over

Christmas and New Year. We are open to all ages and currently have 55 registered members ranging from five to thirty nine years of age. All are welcome.

Contact:

Margaret Brignall
Secretary, Bundanoon
Swimming Club Inc.
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In early summer, the NPWS had their hands full patrolling the Park's Bundanoon section as a number of deliberately lit fires were great cause for concern. Fortunately the outbreaks were contained and at the time of writing no further incidents have been reported. Extreme vigilance is urged by all visitors to help prevent a repeat of the threatening situation which arose last year.

FMNP has been fortunate

in obtaining a 'Small Equipment Grant' from the Australian Government for new tools, most of which have already been purchased. When the group meets again after the holiday break there will be a variety of shiny new implements ready to go.

If you're in the Park, look out for the Macleay's Swallowtail butterfly (*Graphium macleayanum*), one of only two species of the swallowtail group occurring with any regularity in our area. It is often seen flying purposefully above the gorges, but can sometimes be observed briefly feeding at flowers. Its triangular wing-shape with hindwing tails, plus black, white and (on the underside) rich green coloration distinguish this delightful native insect, which is more at home in the higher altitudes than coastal areas, where it is replaced by the ubiquitous and closely related 'Blue Triangle' (*Graphium sarpedon choredon*).

Our meetings are 2nd Wednesday (maintenance) and 4th Saturday of each month (bush patrol). Anyone wishing to join this worthwhile and healthy pursuit is invited to contact us for further information.

Rural Fire Brigade

A big thank you to our local community for helping to make our world famous 'Garage-o-Rama', held last August, a success.

People not only donated hundreds of saleable items but also came along to support us on the day. The sausage sizzle and coffee with donuts were appreciated by browsers and our helpers.

Over \$6000 was raised and to date we have purchased a compressor, three fireground radios, three pagers and a GPS (Global Positioning System). Heavy turn-out coats, necessary for safety of our members, are on order.

Over-50s club

With the coming of 2004 we are looking forward to another year of conviviality, geniality and long lunches!

After our Christmas break, our regular monthly meetings are now in full swing again and as well as our monthly luncheon, various trips and jaunts to surrounding places of interest are always on the agenda.

Any persons interested in socialising with fellow villagers are most welcome to attend functions and

Contact:
Sheila
Ph 4883 6107
or
Alan
Ph 4883 7763

We have commenced long overdue structural repairs to the station and have also upgraded our security system.

We would like to thank Bundanoon businesses who allow us to put a fund raising helmet in their premises. This helps with our day to day expenses and efficient running of the Brigade.

We are fortunate to be part of a supportive community.

Contact:
Alan Fairbrother
Secretary
Ph 4883 6597

A signal to would-be bush regenerators

Mittagong has Mount Alexandra, Bowral the Gib and Bundanoon Glow Worm Glen and the Gullies... but Bundanoon has more! On the northern side of the railway line there are wetlands and watercourses currently choked by weeds, but with the potential for scenic beauty and environmental integrity, and a new bushcare group is being formed as

part of the Wingecarribee Bushcare Network, to regenerate some of these areas.

Anybody with a reasonable level of fitness, who is willing to participate in regeneration activities and would like further information about this project, is invited to telephone Alan 4883 7763 or Sheila 4883 6107.

anyone requiring transport need only contact our secretary.

Meetings are held in the Bundanoon RSL Hall on the second Monday of each month at 10am and meetings are followed by morning tea.

All are assured of a warm welcome.

Contact:
Jeanette Shaw
Secretary
Ph 4883 6410

Spotted downtown

Can you match the names of CBD identities (in the table below) to the pictures of them as babies or young children? Send entries for this competition to PO Box 201 Bundanoon and go into the draw for a \$25 voucher to be spent at one of the businesses featured in Pam's CBD story below.

Identity	Business	Photo No.
Karen Scott-Boyd	Sage Bookshop & Cafe	
Patrick O'Loughlin	Sage Bookshop & Cafe	
Kate Perkins	Bundanoon Pharmacy (until recently)	
John Byrne	Bundanoon Real Estate	
Wayne Todd	Bundanoon Newsagency	
Mechelle Todd	Bundanoon Newsagency	
Peter Rocca	Peter Rocca Real Estate	
Carolyn Mehan	La Bonne Maison	
Andrew Byron	Bundanoon Butchery	
Allan Polson	Bundanoon Bloomery	
Kylie Will	Pioneer Flask Cellars	
Dianne Day	Bundanoon Delicatessen	
Shirley Su	Bundanoon Chinese Restaurant	
David Hayman	Bundanoon Country Bakehouse	



There's a hot westerly blowing and I wish we could have another of those beautiful days where the mist rolls in and swirls about the house all day. I've just had coffee with Allan and Ian from the Bloomery and I'm reminded that I must water my azalea at the front door.

Returning from an early dental appointment in Bowral, I picked up a video from the supermarket and filled the car at the service station. An OPEN sign at the Old Post Office café means I can have a late breakfast. Patrick's scrambled eggs, mushrooms and toast hit the spot and as I'm leaving, there is the perfect book for me from Karen's Sage Bookshop collection, 'Chocolate for a Woman's Dreams'. So that's tonight taken care of - a video and a book!

A friend is coming to have dinner so I should cook something special. We could have takeaway Chinese food but I've just bought damper rolls at the bakery and I think I'll stay with my original idea of fresh trout risotto. Andrew

has wonderful steaks but I had one of those last night.

Bruce phoned yesterday to let me know the baking dish I ordered is waiting for me at the pottery. I'll call in there tomorrow.

"Hi Wendy!" We exchange smiles through the window of her salon. There's Peter Rocca! I need to collect a baby photograph for our magazine and of course, some wine for tonight from the bottle shop.

I know! Baklava from the Primula would be perfect with coffee, after dinner.

As I stand in front of the selection of cards at the newsagency I remember that I need a baby gift from the Good Yarn and I should call at the pharmacy to have my prescription filled before I leave for Fremantle next week. We all miss Des and Kate but having met Fabian I know they have left us in good hands.

There's still work to do on JCG so I'll call in to Bundanoon Real Estate to see if there's anything in the folder. Which reminds

me a friend has asked me to send her lists of properties for sale in Bundanoon - I'll call at Highlands and Jordan's Crossing Real Estate as well. There's John talking to Carolyn and Perry.

Ken Davidson will have a busy day! Worried pet owners are chatting with friends, waiting for him to arrive. Six dogs on leads are eyeing one another warily. One or two of them look as if they may be fresh from grooming by Margaret Muir.

As I wait for Di to cut some leg ham for lunch I think "My family in Sydney can't get ham like this".

I must let Hugh know that we will need the magazine delivered in early March and now 'on your bike' Pam; there are things to do at home.

The cool night is now heavy with mist. There are no stars. As I blow out my perfumed candle from La Bonne Maison and plump up the cushions from Open House, I think how much our CBD contributes to the character of Bundanoon.

Don't shoot the editor

Mandala Garden at Quest for Life



Successful 'Time Out' sessions were held at Quest for Life in December / January where participants became totally absorbed in the creation of Mandalas. Now a garden is being planned based on these symbolic designs. The word Mandala comes from Sanskrit and means circle and centre representing both the visible world and the world inside our minds and bodies. Simply sitting and contemplating

a garden is a marvellous way to bring the mind to rest. It is hoped that the order, symmetry, perfume and vitality of the mandala garden will nourish and enrich the inner being of those involved in its creation. If you would like to contribute in some way to the construction or maintenance of this garden contact Quest for Life on 4883 6599 or email info@questforlife.com.au

Bundanoon Highlanders Rugby Club

John Leah, who is club coach, was very pleased with the turn out for the first training run on Thursday 5th February. Seventeen players attended of the more than thirty who have indicated that they would be interested to play in the first season.

It is also very encouraging to note that the new club has received quite substantial sponsorship support and excellent coverage in the local press.

Bundanoon will be playing in the fourth grade Illawarra competition but as we go to press no draw is available.

It will be posted on the Bundanoon Club notice board as soon as it is published. Clubs running grades want to have all of them playing at the same venue on the same day where possible which

means the 'draw process' has been prolonged.

WSC is yet to ratify the use of Bundanoon Oval where the cricket pitch will need to be covered with a membrane and turf installed over that, a common method used in such situations. Trial matches are to be played at other venues and the first game on the Oval will not be until the end of April.

Should you need more information about rugby in Bundanoon contact either Markus Fenwick on 4883 6692 or 0408 068 801 or Ralph Clark on 4883 6389



4 Wheels 4 Sean March 2004

Remember our stories in previous issues of JCG about Huw Kingston's Perth 2 Darwin leg of his City 2 City odyssey in 2003?

On 14 March Huw will set out from Melbourne for Hobart, paddling across Bass Strait in his kayak, walking the famous Overland Track from Cradle Mountain to Lake St Clair as well as some tough bushwalking in the remote and beautiful South West World Heritage area - the Franklin Ranges, Western Arthurs and

Federation Peak.

This is the seventh leg of a fund raising project which began 25,000 km ago in 1997. Originally, money raised provided support for a seriously disabled cyclist who required a specially designed vehicle. This goal was achieved and the charity continues to raise funds for people in similar circumstances.

Now, adventurers are invited to join Huw on this trip and for those less intrepid travellers he has sent an invitation to join him in Hobart in May where champagne corks will be popping to celebrate the end of this journey.

For further information visit www.auslig.gov.au/new/sponsorships or contact Huw by email: info@polarismtb.com.au

Correction

With reference to your December article, "Composer hears the call of Bundanoon", the composer's name is Edgar (not Edward) Bainton, and the year of his passing 1956. The somewhat obscure statement 'Baxian shimmering orchestra' refers to a stylistic influence of Englishman Sir Arnold Bax.

The matter of the 'bird call' theme commencing the slow movement poses something of an Elgarian enigma - Bainton could not identify this species 'heard near his holiday cottage at Bundanoon' (perhaps the satin bowerbird?).

Those interested will find his Symphony No 2 (along with works of two other 'Anglo-Australians') on CD - Chandos 9757 - all world premier recordings, accessible in idiom and expertly played by the BBC Philharmonic under Vernon Handley.

Alan H Hyman

Guitar Trek

Congratulations to the 'Bundanoon Voices' for organising a wonderful evening's entertainment and finishing 2003 on a high note! 'Guitar Trek' introduced us to some new musical experiences in their varied repertoire. Equally varied was the program presented by the 'Bundanoon Voices'. They are truly professional and a joy to listen to. We would urge all Bundanoon residents to attend the concerts planned this year. And the supper was sensational.

Phillip and Valerie Crampton

Activities and services directory

Activities

Bundanoon District Over 50s	Jeanette Shaw	4883 6410
Bundanoon Community Development Association (BCDA)		
President	Danien Beets	4883 7557
Secretary	Ralph Clark	4883 6389
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	Barbara Rowett	4883 7203
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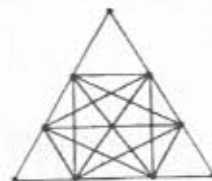
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