Sub-Committee Reports

JCG

We made the big decision for the September issue to retire the plastic sleeve. We're very pleased to report there's been no negative reaction, rather, we have received a multitude of complimentary responses, not only for 'JCG going NAKED!', but for:

- a) the varied and interesting articles thank you first to Helen Clark, our editor and to our writers
- b) for the new layout designs thank you Bella at bella@beehivecreative.com.au and
- c) for the quality of paper and print thank you to our new printer, Peter McDonald at South West Printing sales@southwestprinting.com.au.

Not only do our readers enjoy and appreciate JCG, but we are getting very positive responses from our advertisers, with constant requests for new/increased advertising space. While we are dependent on advertising revenue to remain profitable, we also want to maintain the quality of JCG. We have had discussions to consider the optimal percentage of advertising to articles, and are not actively seeking new advertisers at present, but are putting our efforts into providing a good service to our current clients.

If you are interested in contributing to JCG, please contact jcgadvertising@bca.asn.au and you'll be invited to our next planning meeting which will take place in December for the March issue.

If you would like to be involved as a guest editor, full training will be provided on the job, you are welcome to come to the planning meeting –

We know you'll enjoy the December issue!! Christine Janssen

Welcome Packs

We aim to have a print run in early October of folder pages and thus enable assembly of enough packs to last several months, once updated pages have been received. Following on from last year's successful process I will ask for volunteers to once again help with the assembly.

Meanwhile I am printing the required pages on my own printer to meet the current demand for packs.

The printed cards inviting new residents to contact me for welcome packs are working well. Most retail outlets and services have the cards and distribute them to new arrivals. As stated previously future plans are to investigate the possibility of making the pack easier to produce and update. Any suggestions will be gratefully received. Lyn Morehen

Bundanoon Sings!

Our community choir is gathering its resources for its "Carols by Fairylight" on 14 December. It has welcomed several new members, and continues to appreciate Danielle Hewitt's leadership in singing all sorts of well loved music from classical to contemporary.

Geoff McCubbin

Arts Bundanoon

On Saturday, 14th September Arts Bundanoon hosted the brilliant Australian pianist, Tony Lee. This was Tony's fifth visit to Bundanoon and, as always, he did not disappoint. Tony's virtuoso performance amply supported his position as one of Australia's finest pianists.

Greg Slater

Hall Report

Very little to report this month. The Hall has been busy as usual. Council have carried out some work on the drainage behind the Hall, and have installed a shiny new cistern above the urinal in the men's toilet. All very exciting!

After much nagging, Council is now contacting the Hall Booking Officer to find out when the Hall is not in use to plan their visits for maintenance and other activities they participate in. Exercise classes were disrupted by the plumber on a number of occasions over the past few weeks. Rosemary Page

Green Team

We are back after a two month winter break. We have been heartened by the better than expected display of Daffodils this year after a dry winter. We hope everyone enjoyed the splash of colour in and around the village.

Thirteen volunteers met for our September Working Bee and managed to fill several big bags of weeds which then went to feed some lucky chooks. A good bit of recycling! Our next Working Bee will be on Tuesday the 8th of October at 8.30am meeting at the Information Bay.

The Green Team and the History Group are working to continue the great work done by Sydney Rail on the embankment with some discussions with their management taking place. We are hoping for more involvement from Sydney Rail in future. John White

Melting Pot

We have had two productions since the BCA last met.. A full length production of And No More Shall We Part, directed by Josh Hewitt, which was extremely well attended. Written by Tom Holloway, it was incredibly thought provoking and had all the villages discussing the content. The two actors, Miranda Lean and Chris Downey, did an amazing job, it was a very demanding play. There was a Q&A following the last performance where audience members could ask questions or just state how they felt about the content of the play and the issues covered. There was much discussion both in the Hall and in the cafes. A great success all round.

Last Saturday saw the final round of Crash Test Drama for this year. Our judge on this occasion was the wonderful Donna Andrews. The two winning plays were:

Judge's Vote - Good Chat - written by David Ryrie

Audience Vote - Solar - written by Pete Malicki

And

Best Actress - Bronwyn Beard

Best Actor - Anton Baggerman

Best Director - Rachael Gregg

These two plays will join the previous winners going into the Gala Final, which will take place on November 16th.

Gill Brennan

Bundanoon Earth Festival&Bundanoon on Tap Anniversary

Things are coming together as we count down for both events. The schedule for the speakers in the Supper Room on Saturday is on the table if you would like to time your visit around a topic. The Hall will be full of a wide variety of stalls and there'll be some fun things for children and adults as well as ways we can all 'do the right thing'. The Hall will be open from 9-3 and if you can drop by around 8 or after 3.30 to give a hand we'd be really grateful. Sincere appreciation to Stuart Reid, John Gale, Sue Reid, Lisa Stuart, Greg McCroary, Andrea Skrt and Carlota Pacey who have worked tirelessly to bring the Festival together.

September 26th is 6 for 6.30 in the Hall and we have many marvellous recollections to share covering the last ten years. You may well recognise someone you know or yourself as we share many newspaper articles, pictures, video pieces and other items. There'll be much reminded and remembered from 2009 shared by a variety of people who were part and parcel of the decision and the work required to make it all happen. And a warm and genuine celebration after. Hope you can come along and re-live some of the last ten years.

Christine Miller