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2nd Sunday each month
Country Club Dural
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Glenorie Growers Market

4th Sunday each month
Les Shore Oval Glenorie
Info: 0417 227 748

St Albans Village Market

2 days each month,
dates on page ..
Wharf Street St Albans
info@stalbanvillagemarket.com.au

6-8th May - Fri/Sun

Hawkesbury Show
Showgrounds
Clarendon
Info: 4577 3591

14th May - Sat

Hobby & Motor Show
School of Arts
East Kurrajong
Info: 4576 5031

22nd May - Sun

Open Day
Hawkesbury Regional
Museum
Windsor
Info: 4560 4655

Put these in your diary!



Sunday May 8th



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Living In A Bushland Environment

By.....Pat
Schwartz

Living in the bushland is a special privilege.
People are attracted to bushland environments because of the surrounding nature and the feel good aspects of fresh air and wholesome living.

However the benefits of rural living go with a responsibility to respect our neighbouring bush and the many animal lives that need it as their home. One important thing we can do is to stop our dogs from roaming free into neighbouring areas where they kill wildlife.

Dogs, our lovely companion animals, have strong hunting instincts and cannot be held accountable if their human owners allow them to roam through the forest land. Koalas, wombats and wallabies are just some of the animals that have been killed by dogs in recent years.

So let's all work together in our ever so special bushland areas, to keep our dogs at home. It is important to understand that if you live amongst or next to some of the very special forests of eastern Australia, you are living in a bio-diversity hotspot.

More information about the huge importance globally of the forests of Eastern Australia, can be found in a research document by a team from the CSIRO called 'Forests of East Australia: The 35th Biodiversity Hotspot'.

The CSIRO team have analysed the plants and animals of our great forests and are in no doubt that the wonderful bush and forestland that we all share is of worldwide significance. We need to all work together for the benefit of our lovely environment, so that its wonders will still be there for future generations.



Eastern forests biodiversity hotspot. VAST - ABARES

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ECO-NEWS



With Liz Wilkinson



I have been closely watching several large (11cms) black and white butterflies that are fluttering around my yard. They have large, roughly triangular shaped patches of white on the top of the wings down near the bottom of the body, along with two red/brown dots. On the underside of the wings, are a row of blue and red spots. It is *Papilio aegaeus* (Orchard Swallowtail) and is common in Sydney gardens from October until May. They are found in the east coast from QLD down to S.A.

The larvae feed on citrus trees as well as some native plants. I have seen the butterflies on my Bottlebrush, they love to sip the nectar from my China Doll Plant. Male butterflies are very territorial and chase anything black and white that comes in their territory, including Magpies...very brave!!

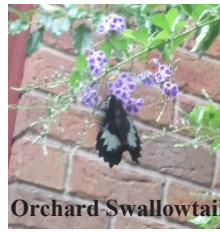
Their family is Papilionidae (Swallowtails) and Australia has only 18 species of these.

Also fluttering around at the moment are quite a few Meadow Argus butterflies, brown with blue spots around the lower edge of the wing that are circled in black, then orange, they are only 4-5 cms. They are seen in Sydney most of the year, but migrate north in Oct/Nov. The caterpillars are black and spiky. I have also seen the Wanderer butterfly, another orange, brown and white one remembered from my childhood.

My husband called me into the lounge room to rescue a "friend". It turned out to be what we called Penny Farthings as children. They belong to the Tiger Moths - family Artidae. This family is interesting, as some day-flying ones have colours that let predators know they taste horrible, and some night-flying ones warn bats by producing ultra sonic sound. The genus *Amata* has 36 species, utilising the common pattern of black wings with yellow/orange spots, and orange/black striped abdomens like my 'friend', who was the east coast species *Amata mabella*.

My garden is suffering from all this

Penny Farthing



Swallowtail Caterpillar



rain. I am losing a lovely Grevillea as all the rain is preventing air from getting to the roots. My Lavender are the worst affected - at least 15 plants have given up the ghost. A small easily fixed problem, compared to all the disasters in the flood areas. My thoughts are with all those people so badly affected.

There are some very interesting fungi popping up all over the place. I saw some small creamy, spiky ones in the grass a few weeks back.



One good thing from all this rain for my friend Robyn, (her house was inundated) was a cactus plant she had for years --- it has finally flowered - spectacularly!

Quote!

You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them

Maya Angelou

Living Heritage News

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Editor's Notes

The feedback we have received over the past month has been amazing. So many of you are taking an interest in our magazine, and offering positive and practical ideas.

One such suggestion came from Louis Bialy, who thought it would be a good idea to put the website address in larger print in the heading. I have implemented this, and I hope you all approve. As many of you know, my skills in the digital world are limited, so any help I can get is immensely appreciated.

It is also lovely to hear that you are loving our series on Women of Maroota, written by Ruby Ramm. I have had many requests to find out where people can purchase the book. However, there were only a few copies made for family

members, so there are no more copies available.

Isn't it nice to finally have some sunshine? We must all be vitamin D deficient at the moment, and this can be harmful to a healthy immune system. We had better stock up on some protection for the coming 'flu' season.

Have you enrolled to vote?

I sincerely hope we get a government 'for the people'. We need statesmen who will stand up for us, and listen to the needs of the people who voted them into power. It seems that for some of them, the power has gone to their heads, and they have been making some very poor decisions for their constituents recently.

There are a few markets that have got up and running again, so with the sunny weather, we can explore them again.

....Enjoy this issue...Carole

Interesting Fact
sent by John



In the 16th century England, the glass industry was in its infancy and bottles had round bottoms and could not be stood upright.

After dinner, when the gentleman were having Port, it was usually handed around the table until everyone had filled their glasses.

The Port bottle or decanter was then placed in a specially shaped depression in the centre of the table to prevent it falling over.



The Village Market



There's fun & adventure for the whole family on a daytrip to St Albans Village Market in the Hawkesbury.

A 4 minute car-ferry ride will excite the kids, a beautiful drive just 21km down St Albans Road for all, a great outdoor market, plus an awesome new kids park and the convict era Settlers Arms Inn are both directly opposite the market.

St Albans Village Market features the talented producers and craftspeople living and working in the Macdonald Valley and surrounding areas, plus carefully selected visiting stallholders. There's a whole lot to see and do!

This fabulous market happens on the 2nd full weekend of each month, on both Saturday & Sunday, from 9am.

The first 20 coffees each day are always free for the early birds.

You will find an amazing array of fresh fruit, vegetables, local pure honey, locally crafted timber outdoor furniture, bird feeders & grazing boards, new and recycled fashion and accessories, home and gift wares, arts and craft, jewellery, plants, gourmet foods and a whole lot more.

Here is a sample of our most recent stallholders: St Albans Nut Co, Pear Tree Cottage Farm, Urbino Ag Pecan Pies & Ice Cream, Lyrebird Gully Studio, Sus Soul's eco conscious creative resources for children, Belicious Foods, OMG Donuts, Geoffrey's Plants, Art by Sorna, Sheing Farm Honey, Jams & Preserves - who are regulars and will all be at either market day - plus even more new stallholders who have booked in for May.

Keep up to date on what's happening each month on our website, Facebook or Instagram pages.



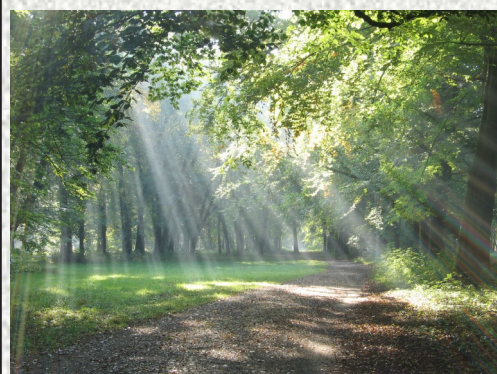
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Nature Flows Wetly

Taps on the metal roof, resounding throughout the rooms. But the house is waterproof, while outside nature blooms.

Water is the source of all, it makes flowers grow and rot. As water pours the ground will fall, swept off with current, the lot.

And as the sun comes out, stripes of red through green appear. A pot of gold I doubt, whatever brings you cheer.



by Ben age 13

Explore - Discover - Sell

(Gold Coin Entry per Adult goes to Local Community Groups)

Sat 14 - Sun 15 May



Sat 11 – Sun 12 June
Sat 9 – Sun 10 July
Sat 13 – Sun 14 August
Sat 10 – Sun 11 September
Sat 8 – Sun 9 October
Sat 12 – Sun 13 November
Sat 10 – Sun 11 December



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Thank You

The local communities would like to thank Susan Templeman, who is always ready to lend a hand, to support those who are 'doing it tough'.

We really appreciate that you turn up and do whatever needs doing, be that speaking on our behalf in parliament, or doing clean-ups with the residents.



Susan Templeman



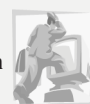

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It's On Again!

Experience the magic and excitement of the 2022 Hawkesbury Show! Friday May 6th to Sunday 8th. Thousands of attractions, rides, showbags, animals, competitions and treats for the whole family to enjoy.

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The Benefits Of Yoga

Yoga is an ancient Hindu discipline, which has been around for over 5000 years. It has become increasingly popular over recent years with many health care practitioners recommending yoga as a support to general good health and well-being. One interpretation of the meaning of the word yoga is 'to come together' or 'to unite'. Yoga then is the practice of body postures, meditation and breathing control coming together so that we create a state in which we are always present in every action and in every moment. This is an ancient wisdom suited for today's, stress-filled, modern world.

So, why is yoga so good for you? What are its benefits?

Yoga increases muscle strength and tone, particularly working on muscles in your core, back, arms and legs. Practicing yoga also increases your flexibility. You are essentially stretching your muscles so the more you stretch, the longer they become. Stretching and having the ability to elongate the muscle frees up tension, improves blood flow and increases your range of motion. Yoga exercises do not overwork the muscle as it is primarily about repetition and control so with regular practice, you will see improvement in your flexibility.

As far as the body's energy levels go, if you are low on a hormone called Cortisol, then you are low on energy. What is so impressive about yoga is that it can actually help to increase Cortisol levels, which then reduce fatigue. Practicing yoga is essentially detoxing the body through exercise. When you stretch the muscles you are massaging your internal organs, releasing toxins from the body and revitalizing your body.

The breathing practices in yoga, called *pranayama*, promote relaxation and calmness and work together with the postures (*asanas*) to support an overall feeling of well-being.

For those of you looking for a low impact sport, Yoga is perfect, as it does not place any impact on the joints. This is ideal for those who have arthritis or any other joint inflammatory disease. Often you can do a variation of movements to better suit your capabilities.

Stress can reveal itself in the body in many ways, and in many areas. Muscles can become tight, you could experience back or neck pain, suffer from headaches or have sleeping problems and lack of concentration. By practicing yoga and incorporating its breathing and meditation techniques, you are developing skills to manage your stress levels. Aside from the wonderful physical benefits yoga cements in the body, your mind is also receiving these benefits.

To counteract the stresses of our everyday life, the final part of any yoga class is a guided relaxation/meditation which aims to calm the mind and cultivate inner stillness. Guided relaxation/meditation allows the mind to focus on just being 'in the moment' and regular practice of meditation helps individuals become more self-aware and can assist with managing mood disorders such as anxiety and depression.

Yoga with a View at Wiseman's Ferry Community Centre caters for people of all ages and abilities, so why not give it a try. There are two different classes available every Monday. The general class is 10.00 -11.30am for men and women, from beginners to experienced practitioners. There is also a separate class from 12.30 – 1.30pm for people with limited mobility or health issues. There are options in this class for sitting on a chair, using a chair for support when standing or doing postures on the mat on the floor. This will be negotiated at the time.

If you would like more information call **Tina 0410 433 538**

Yoga with a View

**Monday Classes - Wiseman's Ferry
Community Centre**

General class 10.00 -11.30 am \$18

Chair yoga 12.30 - \$10

for seniors & those with limited mobility,

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FOR SALE - \$2,070,000



5348 Old Northern Rd, Wisemans Ferry

ONE OF A KIND LOCATION - 360 DEGREE VIEWS

This solid 3 bedroom home sits on approximately 2.3 acres on the tip of the mountain overlooking Wisemans Ferry and the Hawkesbury River valley. Spectacular 360 degree views that you won't find anywhere else. Access is good via a bitumen driveway and there are various sheds and 2 dams. In original condition this property is an ideal base for renovation and would make an ideal holiday property or permanent residence.

AUCTION Guide \$1.8m (unless sold prior)



6690 Wisemans Ferry Rd, Gunderman

QUAINT RIVERSIDE COTTAGE

Located in the tightly held riverside hamlet of Mill Creek - Gunderman. This quaint cottage offers a relaxed getaway with beautiful Hawkesbury River views and direct river access the road. The cottage has been very well maintained and comprises two good sized bedrooms, a large open plan lounge/dining room and a basic galley style kitchen. Set on approximately 556 sqm of near level land.

FOR SALE - \$649,000

BEYOND THE FENCE

Price Growth easing while Construction Costs "through the roof"...

Core Logics March Home Value Index indicates a stabilising in prices for the Sydney property market with a very modest growth of just 0.3% for the first quarter of 2022.

In interpreting this data, we take into account that this is an average growth for greater Sydney with some suburbs showing growth while others declining up to 7%. Tim Lawless from Core Logic puts this into perspective by contrasting this against the peak of the market in the 3 months to May 2021 where we saw a quarterly increase of 9.3%. Interestingly, the Core Logic report indicates the regional NSW market continuing to go against the trend of the capital cities with a quarterly growth of 5.1%.

As an agency we are still experiencing high levels of enquiries and strong results but they are more educated and reserved buyers mindful of looming interest rate rises driven by inflationary pressure. One of the drivers of such inflationary pressures is the increase in construction costs over the past five years, particularly in the past 12 months. According to the Cordell Construction Cost Index, the first quarter of 2022 reported an annual increase of 9% in construction costs. This is only marginally behind the 10.2% annual increase seen in 2001 with the introduction of the GST. Mr Lawless from Core Logic refers to the key drivers of these

increases being due to the rise in cost of timber, structural steel, steel components, cladding, decking etc, in addition to the ongoing supply delays of imported products due to the global pandemic.

The rise in costs is creating uncertainty, not only around current and future construction but also renovations of existing homes. Mr Lawless makes reference to an important point, "While the most obvious impact from high residential building costs are with builders, new home buyers and renovators, another important consideration is the sum insured by home owners. With construction costs up more than 25% over the past five years, it's important for home owners to reassess their insurance terms and make sure they are adequately covered."

Our buyers over the past few months are increasingly referencing the cost of repairs to existing homes and the cost to renovate or extend are impacting their buying decisions and they are taking this into consideration during the negotiation process.

So, while we expect to see the market continue to stabilise over the coming months there are many factors at play. Interest rates, inflation and construction costs coupled with an upcoming federal election will continue to keep pressure on the market.

Stay Safe, Trent Iverson

The Women of Maroota

...compiled by
Ruby Ramm

We are pleased to continue a series of memoirs selected from a booklet titled 'The Women of Maroota'. This is a compilation of recollections from Ruby E Ramm, published in 2001. Ruby's stories are a mixture of personal memories and those of family and friends, and convey the admiration and respect in which these forebears were held.

We hope you enjoy reading about these amazing pioneering women, and we look forward to hearing your own stories of the old days in our district.

Maggie Weaver

Maggie was the wife of Joe Weaver from "Landsdale", South Maroota. Whilst there were no children from her marriage to Joe, she had three sons; Jimmy, Jack and Georgie Bonser, from a previous marriage.

Maggie was good with the sewing machine, and made clothing for a few people she knew. She was a dressmaker and made hats, for she knew millinery.

She also played cards with some of the locals, but after Joe died in 1956, she lived quietly on her own, and seldom ventured out, except to the odd family function, or to do her shopping.

Maggie's sons, Jim and Jack, both worked for Ron Ramm as farmhands for a short time, then went on to other jobs.

Jim worked for the Main Roads Board. He married Rene Salmon of Gallaghers Road, Sackville.

Jack worked for Hayes Bros in Windsor, then Richmond. He married June Morley.

George had a farm down Sackville and he married Yvonne Case.

Jim and Jack also formed a dance band called "Bonser's Band, which also included Barry Salmon, Rene's brother.



Thelma Beard (nee Martin)

Thelma was the wife of Rex Beard, whom was one of our mailmen.

When Rex gave up the mail run, he started farming on their property on the corner of Old Northern and Wisemans Ferry Roads.

In later years, Thelma and Rex moved to Gosford, then on to Old Bar.

Thelma was the mother of three children, a daughter Lois (pictured below), and two sons, Maurice and Peter.



Lois Roberts (nee Beard)

Lois was the wife of Ian Roberts, she was the daughter of Rex and Thelma Beard.

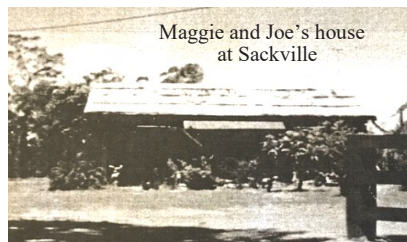
Lois attended Maroota Public School as a child and was the mother of four children; Mark, Jason, Daniel and Rachel.

Lois and Ian owned property on Old Northern Road, adjoining Ian's father Percy Roberts property, where Ian grew citrus and vegetables.



Jim (piano)

Jack (guitar)



Maggie and Joe's house
at Sackville



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- Assist with accessing Federal Government services
- Attend your local community event
- Arrange congratulatory messages

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The Sunshine Group

It's with great sadness that I have to report Mr Bob Casserly has passed away on Thursday 14th April aged 93. He was a well known for the wonderful work he did for the Sunshine Group, even after Lois' passing, and he will be missed by us all.

I would also like to let the community know, that the Sunshine Group is open again on Wednesdays from 9.00 until 2.30pm, all welcome.

We play bingo and have bus trips, so why not come and have a visit and see what we get up to.

We are in Casserly Cottage at the back of the doctors Surgery, call Judy for information:

0429 042775



Next market.. Sat 14/Sun 15 May

Wisemans Ferry Seniors

Because some of our members were affected by the floods and the closure of Settlers Road we haven't been able to get back into full swing with our Monday morning Bingo and meetings but we are confident all will be back to normal by the end of April.

We have been talking about our bus trips unfortunately we did not get to go to the Seniors Concert and the trip to Featherdale Farm had to be cancelled but we do intend to go there in the near future. We are currently organising a trip to the Hawkesbury Show on Friday 7th May anyone wishing to join us would be most welcome



Don't forget our Facebook page **Wisemans Ferry Bingo Group** and for any queries contact **Jo 0419 413 523** or **Noelene 45 668 226**



Something For You

The Windsor Probud Club offers a wide range of activities and connections for retirees in the Hawkesbury area.

If you are looking to make friends and connections while enjoying outings and activities please phone our Secretary Ann Jones on

0414 298945

so we can welcome you along to a meeting.

Hawkesbury Library Service – Return of Programs and Services

Hawkesbury Central Library
The Deerubbin Centre (Ground Floor)
300 George Street, Windsor
Monday to Friday 9am to 7pm
Saturday 9am to 1pm
Sunday 2pm to 5pm
Closed Public Holidays



Richmond Branch Library
29 West Market Street, Richmond
Monday to Friday
9.30am to 6pm
Saturday 9am to 1pm
Sunday Closed
Closed Public Holidays

4560 4460



A Wagga Wagga Car Rally.

By Liz Wilkinson

During the virus pandemic, we managed our trip to the Gulf, but our car club had three national rallies and one fun one cancelled, so our car club were delighted to finally have a get together of people from NSW, QLD, VIC, and SA. It was to be held in Wagga Wagga with our base at Quality Inn Carriage House at East Wagga Wagga, a very comfortable motel with very obliging hosts and a great country view from our balcony.

We left home on Thursday last week (7th April) to travel down the Hume Highway, and decided to switch to a modern car as a very rainy day was predicted - so glad we did - the rain made for an atrocious trip. With all the large trucks still travelling at high speeds being above the road spray, all the cars were swamped. It made for a very tiring trip for both the driver and the passenger. The rain finally stopped around Bowning. I saw a few examples of tank art along the way as well as more wind turbines than I could count.

It was good to greet long standing friends. Dinner that night was a buffet at the motel and we all had to wear a silly hat. Imaginations were on the loose with great results! Before the meal we had a guest speaker - Mark Saddler of Bundyi cultural tours, who gave a talk on the local area that were Wiradjuri lands for 60,000 years. He was the first aboriginal person I've heard. who acknowledged that the land belongs to all of us, black and white and we should respect the land. I was very impressed with his talk. He showed us many artefacts and explained their purpose and how to use them.

The next morning after greeting each other at breakfast, we gathered in our motors ready for sight seeing in Junece.
-- More next month.



Latest News



Following extensive community consultation for our Community Strategic Plan, we're proud to detail our future plans through the draft Delivery Program, including the Operational Plan 2022/23 (DPOP).

Despite the impacts of COVID-19, Council has adapted to a rapidly changing environment, continuing our commitments to residents and maintaining current levels of service while building a more resilient Shire. Financially we are in a good place and are well prepared to respond to potential shocks that may occur over the financial year.

In preparing the DPOP, we have carefully considered the impacts of recent events, including COVID-19 and extreme weather, and how we can best support the community. It sets out in detail the many steps we will take to make Hornsby Shire a more resilient community, working with our community toward environmental sustainability, and maintaining our beautiful natural environment even as we provide for essential development. The

DPOP is on public exhibition until 16 May.

You're also invited to give your feedback on the draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2021-25, which will help us to ensure we achieve our goal of being a resilient and inclusive community. It outlines how we will make mainstream services and community facilities more accessible to people with disability. I encourage you to view these important documents and give your feedback at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/yoursay

On a lighter note, I would like to wish our much-loved (and recently refurbished) Hornsby Library many happy returns on its 50th birthday. This significant anniversary is a golden opportunity to reflect on fifty years of wonderful memories and service to our community, and to prepare for a bright future for future generations. We look forward to welcoming visitors for the next 50 years and beyond.

Philip Ruddock AO,
Mayor, Hornsby Shire Council

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"God Intended It All For Good"



Rising to a challenge reveals hidden abilities within us that otherwise would have remained dormant. Just as you find out what's in a tube of toothpaste when it gets squeezed, "*adversity*" reveals what you're made of.

Sometimes we say, "I could never go through what that person is, I would die". Then you do through it and guess what?.....*Your heart keeps beating, your world goes on!* You don't know what you are capable of until you *have* to cope. The wise understand suffering and growth.

***"Obstacles harden our nature....
and strengthen our attitude".***

God could have let Abraham stay in Ur, Moses in the splendour of Pharaoh's Court, kept Daniel out of the lion's den, Nehemiah out of captivity, Jonah out of the whale, John away from Herod, Esther from threats, Jeremiah from threats, and Paul from being shipwrecked.....but He didn't.

In fact God used each of these trials to bring them closer to Himself.....to produce *perseverance, character and hope*.

It's said, "*The school of hard knocks produces the greatest scholars*". Guess who the teacher is? "*Adversity*"!

You either face it with Him or without Him. You know when others are watching you, when they see your faith sustaining you, getting you through, they'll get interested in what you are having or saying ay!

**God Bless all our wonderful women this
Mother's Day in May 2022.**

God Bless!.....PS Peter Goldstien JP, Community Chaplain.

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Are Your Contractors Really Employees?

Many business owners assume that if they hire independent contractors they will not be responsible for PAYG with-holding, superannuation guarantee, payroll tax and workers compensation obligations. However, each set of rules operates a bit differently and in some cases genuine contractors can be treated as if they were employees. Also, correctly classifying the employment relationship can be difficult and there are significant penalties faced by businesses that get it wrong.

Two cases handed down by the High Court late last month clarify the way the courts determine whether a worker is an employee or an independent contractor. The High Court confirmed that it is necessary to look at the totality of the relationship and use a 'multifactorial approach' in determining whether a worker is an employee. That is, if it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck, it's probably a duck, even if on paper, you call it a chicken.

For employers struggling to work out if they have correctly classified their contractors as employees, it will be important to review the agreements to ensure that the "rights and obligations of the parties under that contract" are consistent with an independent contracting arrangement. Merely labelling a worker as an independent contractor is not enough if the rights and obligations under the agreement are not consistent with the label. The High Court stated, "To say that the legal character of a relationship between persons is to be determined by the rights and obligations which are established by the parties' written contract is distinctly not to say that the "label" which the parties

may have chosen to describe their relationship is determinative of, or even relevant to, that characterisation."

A genuine independent contractor who is providing personal services will typically be:

Autonomous rather than subservient in their decision-making;

Financially self-reliant rather than economically dependent upon the business of another; and,

Chasing profit (that is a return on risk) rather than simply a payment for the time, skill and effort provided.

Every business that employs contractors should have a process in place to ensure the correct classification of employment arrangements and review those arrangements over time. Even when a worker is a genuine independent contractor this doesn't necessarily mean that the business won't have at least some employment-like obligations to meet. For example, some contractors are deemed to be employees for superannuation guarantee and payroll tax purposes.

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MAROOKA RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

March 31 2022, heralded the end of the 2021/2022 bushfire season (October-March), one of the most benign, wettest seasons we have experienced. During this period we had 1304mls of rain and only five days of High Fire Danger, whereas the rest of the season was Low/Moderate. The first three months of this year alone, we have had over 1400mls of rain, compared to just over 1100mls for the entire year last year. We are currently dealing with our second flood for the year.

This is the time of the year when we put a lot of work into preparing our properties before the next fire season in October. You no longer require a brigade issued permit for pile burning on your property (although burning could be a problem at the moment) however there are still strict rules you must follow before lighting up. It is an offense punishable by law to not follow these rules.

The Hills residents will still need to advise the RFS of their intention to burn. Simply go to www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/notify and complete your details. They must also notify their neighbours 24 hours before they burn. Hornsby residents will require an EPA Certificate from council. Apply at www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/fire-permit. They then must notify the RFS by the same link as above and also give their neighbours 24 hours' notice. For further information on being bushfire ready, go to www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information.

This month the brigade has spent numerous days doing flood recovery as well as attending incidents. We have also managed to hold our AGM, something we couldn't do last year with Covid restrictions. Congratulations to all those holding positions for the next 12 months. We have increased our Deputy Captains by two this year (Chris and Karen Day) and it is the first time we have had a female DC in our brigade.

The AGM was also the time that our members received their Long Service Medals and National Medals for service during the 2019/20 bushfires. At the conclusion of the medal presentation, our Captain, Peter presented Deputy Captain and Secretary Greg Hitchcock, with a Certificate of Appreciation and a plaque, in recognition for the many years of commitment and dedication to the Maroota Brigade and the community of Maroota at large.

....Robin Hitchcock



MAROOKA SOUTH RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

Now is clean up time – after floods and before fire season. Pile up your natural vegetation and get it burned over this time in the middle of the year while it is safe to do so.

Don't forget that you still need to notify via the RFS website and your neighbours.

Notify issues with local roads to RMS (for Wisemans Ferry and Old Northern Roads) or council website for all other roads. When reporting to RMS on **131700**, please get the associated reference number so that you can call back, quote the number, and ask for an update on that job.

This past month our brigade had our AGM where we organised our teams and their leaders for the coming year. We also attended a structure fire at Leets Vale, a Fuel Spill on Wisemans Ferry Road Cattai, and tree down on Sackville Ferry Road in the very early am.

....Garry Chatman

WISEMANS FERRY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

The Wisemans Ferry team have once again worked tirelessly during the flood crisis assisting with evacuations, food drops, clean up, and generally supporting the community. The Fire Station was crewed by our small team between 2nd and 20th March with team members volunteering a total of 158 man days, working an average 10 hour day (approximating 1580 hours) and completing 503 tasks. We are also lucky to have such great boat skippers who are highly experienced in flood waters in the local area and who conducted approximately 447 boat based tasks.

We would like to acknowledge the support from other agencies including the SES and Police, and also would like to thank the RFS Mitigation crews who worked closely with Wisemans Ferry while based at our fire station for two weeks. The crews' work ethic and professionalism was a credit to themselves and the service.

Once again the community proved how resilient and caring it is with so many individuals organising a range of supports for those who were cut off. Donations of food and essential supplies came from an astounding number of individuals and groups, both local and from further afield and were distributed by the SES, RFS and individuals.

If you would like to make a donation for flood victims you can do so at giveit.org.au. This website lists items that are needed or you can also make a monetary donation.

For further recovery information and assistance you can visit the Recovery Hub at the Wisemans Ferry Retreat or email Resilience NSW via communications@resilience.nsw.gov.au

We have reached the end of the 2021/2022 fire season and as we have had so much rain we have accelerated growth and ground fuel ready for the fire season next spring and summer. Once this has dried out you can conduct pile burns during the cooler months in line with your local council's fire regulations and ensure you notify your RFS via either the QR code or via the web at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/notify or phone Fire Control a minimum of 24 hour before lighting up.

....Margaret Cavanagh Assistant Community Engagement Officer

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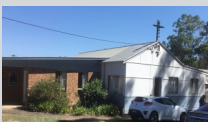
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The library runs a range of programs and services to meet the different needs of the community. If you are interested in researching your ancestry and want to know more about local history, the Hawkesbury Family History Group holds monthly meetings both in person and via Zoom on the second Wednesday every month @ 10am.

Regular programs include:

movies@yourlibrary on the second Thursday of the month, 10am-12pm and 6pm-8pm

Chess Club is on the first Thursday of the month, 2pm-4pm

Tech Help weekly on a Wednesday from 10am

Knit with Friends is on the last Friday of the month, 10am-12pm

For preschool aged children, 'Storytime' has returned and is held every Tuesday during the school term at Hawkesbury Central Library and every Thursday at Richmond Branch Library. Both sessions start at 11am and are perfect for the 3 to 5 year old.

'Rhymetime' at Hawkesbury Central Library, Windsor is offered for babies and toddlers every Monday during school term, from 10am-10:30am.

Every school holiday the library runs fun programs for school aged children and during April school holidays the library will be running free writing workshops for school aged children and a reptile show for the whole family.

Do you enjoy reading? This year the monthly 'Tuesday Night Book Chat' book club and 'Third Thursday Book Club', is joined by a new online book club called, 'Let's Talk About Books' that is run via Zoom, perfect for those who can't make it into the library in person. Participation in our book clubs is free and open to anyone. For more information contact the library on 4560 4460.

Tech Savvy for Seniors courses will be held in May and are great for improving your skills and confidence in using technology including using Smartphones and Tablets. Booking for these sessions can be done using Eventbrite or you can call the library on 4560 4460.

A free Justice of the Peace service is available at Hawkesbury Central Library, Windsor every Tuesday, and Wednesday from 10am-12pm. The service is run by trained volunteers and bookings are not required.

Each Wednesday between 10am to 1pm the Western Sydney Community Legal Centre offers a free drop-in legal service at the Hawkesbury Central Library. A legal representative from Western Sydney Community Legal Centre will be on hand to discuss all matters pertaining to:

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Galston CWA News



These days the CWA are talking about joint problems of a different sort – a push for cannabis change in Australia.

Nearly 20 years in the making, the first inklings of the motion to advocate for the placement of prescribed cannabis medication on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme was originally raised back in the early 2000s. In its 100th year the Country Women's Association of NSW will campaign for the reform after success advocating for medicinal cannabis legalisation in 2016.

Lobbying government has always been a major part of the CWA's mission and we continue to adapt to the issues of the day. While some might know the CWA for its crafts and cooking, in fact, its members are at the forefront of creating change in the country.

People don't necessarily think of the CWA as an advocacy organisation, but we are non-party political and that's one of the reasons why we're trying to change the 'tea and scones' image," says former State President Annette Turner.

As well as its legendary catering, the CWA has quietly taken on many social causes over the decades. The aims set down by the women who started the organisation in 1922 are as relevant now as they were then, with the group's pragmatic and persistent style of lobbying helping to achieve a lot in surprising areas.

There are presently over 20 current issues encompassing health, environment, transport, communication, and more being advocated or lobbied by the CWA, motions for which were raised by individual members at local branch level and the vote eventually passed at state level.

If you are interested in being a part of the largest women's organisation in Australia, please come along to CWA Galston's next meeting on **Wednesday 11th May**.

For more details about meetings or fundraising please contact **Jann 0439 222 217** or **Pam 02 9653 1036**. www.facebook.com/CWAGalston | galston.cwa@gmail.com



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We all need some support when things become overwhelming for us. Especially when we have to deal with the passing of someone we love.

Death and grief can be hard subjects to talk about for some of us. Many people simply find it too painful to talk about our own mortality or that of our loved ones. There can be regret about past conversations, that can never now have an apology, or the conversations that were never spoken and now can never happen.

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We recently welcomed Rachel who represented Hawkesbury City Council into our school to talk to our students about worms. Worms are nature's best recyclers! During this presentation students were introduced to worm farming as an alternate method for the disposal of food and other organic wastes. Our students participated in hands-on activities and discovered how worms feel, eat, move and live in a worm farm. We are looking forward to starting up our very own worm farm at Mac Valley in the near future

French lessons with Madame Catherine

Our students enjoyed learning how to make oeufs au chocolat this week with Madame Catherine.

Joyeuses Pacques everyone

Easter Activities

Students had lots of fun making Easter hats and organising the

Easter egg guessing competition for the St Albans Markets. We wonder who the winner will be!



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Wow!!! What an end to a school term. After the NSW RFS – Lawson Brigade and Medlow Bath Rural Fire Brigade came to the aid of the school and hosed out mud and did lots of manual labour to ready the school for being fully operational, the grounds were ready for the return of the students. Everything looked clean and green. The children were pleased to return to structured learning and the social aspects of school life.

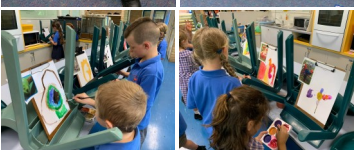
We had a Senior Swim Team represent the school at the Zone Swimming Carnival. The team worked hard to achieve a 5th in the relay and Will achieved a 6th in the 50m Freestyle. Congratulations boys.

Finally, parents were allowed on school grounds and so a true parent assembly was held. There were many parents available to enjoy the hot lunch with their children, as well as catch up on all the social issues, prior to the assembly. The hosts of the assembly were the C3 children. It had been so long since a “real” parent assembly was held that many of the children had forgotten the various formalities and protocols. The new captains finally were able to carry out some of their special duties. Birthdays were celebrated, hard work rewarded and lessons displayed. The students had a fabulous time displaying their pride in their work and the parents were proud to have such wonderful students as their children. It was really a great experience.

Then came the rain.....again. The rest of the organised activities for the end of the term had to be postponed until term 2 due to the inability to staff events, have attendees and/or find suitable facilities at which to hold them. This means the first week back will be filled with an Anzac Day ceremony, the school Fun Run and a belated Easter Hat Parade. Sounds like it will be a fabulous start to the next term.



Senior boys Relay Team



WISEMANS FERRY PUBLIC SCHOOL



What a term this has been! Here's to a more stable term 2 **Harmony Day**

On Thursday March 23 students participated in Harmony Day activities. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity and the message is ‘everyone belongs’. We had a visit from ‘In Rhythm’ who delivered an interactive workshop to each class on the skills of African drumming.

Congratulations Mrs Mac.

On Monday March 28, I had the pleasure of accompanying Mrs Mac. to the Regional North Executive Directors Awards for Excellence. Mrs. Mac. was one of nine SASS and community members to receive recognition for the work they do for their schools and communities.

Jenny is the face of our school and goes ‘above and beyond’ for each member of our school and wider community. She epitomises the Department’s values in everything she does and is highly regarded for her commitment and dedication to her role amongst Principal’s across the Windsor network. Her extensive knowledge, interpersonal skills and understanding of the role has seen her working with local Principals to induct, train and advise new SAMs, whilst fulfilling her own role within our school. Jenny’s organisational skills are impeccable ensuring that the management of the school office is streamlined and efficient.

Mrs Mac., our School Admin Manager is Wisemans Ferry’s very own National treasure. Congratulations Mrs. Mac on your ‘Excellence Award’.

NSW PSSA State Swimming Championships

This term, Kamali, Tori, Amber and Tyler headed to Homebush to compete at the NSW PSSA State Swimming Championships. They competed in the Peter Dobson Relay, which is a relay for teams of students from schools with a total school enrolment of more than twenty-five (25) pupils but not exceeding fifty-four pupils. Twenty-nine schools from across the state competed on the day, with our team



of four finishing in 26th position – a mighty feat considering most of our team were impacted by COVID in the week leading up to the championships. We are extremely proud of the teams’ efforts and know that it was a worthwhile experience for them. Well done, team Wisemans.



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"Gaban"

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the relevant words in the box.
When you have done that, you
will find there is one word left
over. This will be the mystery word.

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SWINE	PRUNE	AWARD
RAIN	HUMBUG	FOG
RAISIN	TRAWLER	MIDDLE
LIKELY	TROPHY	SOW
CATWALK	GUMDROP	GALE
HOG	SPRAWLED	CURRENT
SUNSHINE	PUDDLE	BRAWL
MEDAL		DESIGNER

Clues

All forms of prize
All words containing "DDL"
All types of dried fruit
All words relating to
a fashion show

All pig-related words
All lollies
All words containing "AWL"
All words associated
with weather

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