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BUNGWAHL BUNYAH BULAHDELAH

Dingo (Canis lupus dingo) The Dingo is Australia's wild dog. It is found in all states but Tasmania, always close to a source of water. It is a medium sized dog with a bushy tail and red to yellow coat. Dingos don't bark, but they do howl. It is not a native animal to Australia and it is unsure how it arrived but the current theories are: Dingos were brought to Australia 15,000 years ago by Koori people. Dingos may be related to wild dogs in South East Asia, and brought to Australia for trade by sea-farers. They are meat eaters. When food is scarce dingos group together to feed on larger animals such as kangaroos. They usually stay and hunt in family groups but can be solitary. Dingos mate once a year and the female dingo gives birth to up to eight puppies. Dingoes are sometimes seen in the bush around Wootton and have been spotted recently.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday 16th Aug	Movie & Supper Night 7pm Brush Turkey Cafe
Tuesday 19th Aug	Blood Donations Plough Inn Car park 1:30pm-6pm
Sat/Sun 23/24th Aug	Wootton Tennis Championships
Saturday 30th Aug	Community Dinner Bollywood/Curry Night 7pm B.T.Cafe
Saturday 6th Sept	Mandala Workshop Wootton Hall 10am-4pm
Sunday 7th Sept	Wootton Fire Brigade monthly meeting 9am Squires Rd
Mon-Thurs 8-12 Sept	Railway Walk - Conservation Volunteers
Sunday 14th Sept	"Small Footprint" Day Pacific Palms
Saturday 20th Sept	Sustainability Workshop Wootton Hall 9am-4pm
Saturday 20th Sept	Fire Brigade Open Day - Brush Turkey Cafe
Saturday 27th Sept	Community Dinner Middle Eastern 7pm
Tuesday 14th October	'Wootton Strategic Planning' Workshop 5.30pm
Friday 31st October	Photo Comp' closes Judging, Wine & Cheese Night 7pm

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Working Bee While closed we were able to hold a working bee. The garden was mulched, gutters cleaned, pavers pressure cleaned, signs repaired, main door sanded and painted, the carved kookaburras installed on the step entrance, a general clean up around the building and the old seats and rubbish removed from around the playground area. Thanks to Peter Molloy, Fran & Jim, Peter Auriac, Bronwyn, Llewellyn, Elliott, Michael Mahon, Pat, Craig, Elizabeth, Garry, Geoff, John & Judy Hammond and Leanne Wright.

Membership Welcome to all our new members and all those that have renewed membership. Without members and volunteers we cannot exist. If you enjoy reading this newsletter, visiting the cafe, enjoy community dinners, having a voice in the community and being part of a social network, please consider joining up, volunteering, participating in meetings. Cost is \$22 per year but if you volunteer for 20 hours or more it is \$5.50 per year. Membership is from 1st July each year. Membership Cards will be issued soon. Thanks to Bronwyn for designing and producing these. For enquires about membership, ring Elizabeth on 49977167.

Thanks to Elizabeth Christo for all her work in organizing *Membership*. We are having a 'Membership Draw' every month at the Community Dinners, for great prizes. (Donations of prizes are welcomed) Thanks to our sponsors for June and July:

Wootton Guest House: 1 Worth St, Wootton Reasonable rates for all your visitors. (www.woottonguesthouse.com.au) Winner of one night's accommodation & dinner: Judy Hammond

Thrifty Link Hardware, Bulahdelah Winner of solar lights : Bronwyn

Belaroma Coffee: Organic/Free Trade coffee available at the Brush Turkey Coffee (We will sell one kilo bags of beans, discount price for members) Winner of a 1 kilo bag of coffee beans: Valerie Spaliviero

S.A. Relf & Sons PIL, Markwell Rd, Bulahdelah: Suppliers of Kiln dried flooring & decking, building grade & fencing timbers, pallet & mining timbers. Winner of a load of wood chip, loaded free : Emma Guthrie.

Two Rivers Cafe (Robyn & Russell Breedon) Stroud Street, Bulahdelah (next to Post Office) Open 7 days for breakfast, homemade pies & cakes, BBQ chickens, sandwiches, fish & chips, burgers, pizzas.

Winner of one large pizza: Fran O'Connor

Brigid & Toby Bradbury Winner of a bottle of wine: Craig Tate
Thanks also to **Michael & Nicky Legge and Steve** for the music at our June Dinner.

Winners of the community dinners for June & July were Kay Desmond and Lucy Jeffries.

Photo Competition (see enclosed flyer) A wine & nibbles night will be held on Friday 31st October to announce the winners of the Wootton Photographic Competition. Categories are:
Juniors U16: 'My Favourite Thing' 1st, 2nd & 3rd Prize
Adults: 'A Wootton Face', 'A Wootton Place', and an 'Open Section' 1st, 2nd & 3rd for each. Contact Fran on 49977323 for enquiries.
Sponsors for prizes are welcomed.

Playground We have purchased a shade sail and fittings for the playground area. John Hockett, Bulahdelah depot of Great Lakes Council, has offered to install this for our community. Thanks to the council workers and we look forward to it's installation in the near future.

'Wootton' Signs Council have erected new signs North & South of Wootton. Thanks to Council for responding to the Wootton Community Network request.

Workshops Forster/Tuncurry Community College will be hosting workshops at the Wootton Hall in September. These are:

- Mandala Workshop Saturday 6th Sept 10am to 4pm
In this workshop you will create your own *Mandala* by using your inner knowledge and its symbols to reflect and gain a more intimate understanding of your own life path. No drawing skills needed.

- Wootton Sustainability Day 9am to 4pm
The morning session will be identifying local plants and their use and local fauna with Linda Gill. In the afternoon Garry Williams will discuss permaculture principles, sustainable choices in energy and products. Morning Tea & Lunch will be supplied by the Brush Turkey Cafe. Cost \$110 Conc: \$99 More detailed brochures at the cafe.

Bulletin Board A board is being constructed in the next month to display notices, advertising etc outside the cafe building. Thanks to Bronwyn for the donation of toughened glass and Ian Dobson for its construction. He will be building a 'suggestion box' as well.

AGM The new committee for 2008/2009 are President: Garry Williams, Vice President: Bronwyn Little, Secretary: Pat Tate, Treasurer: Fran O'Connor, Public Officer: Jean Price, Marketing: Elizabeth Christo. Thanks to all the outgoing committee and thanks for another year's work. Help with all these jobs would be greatly appreciated.

**MOVIE AND
SUPPER NIGHT**

**Saturday 16th August 7pm
Brush Turkey Café Wootton
\$10 includes pre-dinner
Nibbles and a delicious supper**

Café News

Cafe Renovations Our community has been very fortunate to receive a donation of funds from a generous local resident to renovate our kitchen. The renovations will enable us to store food and refrigerated supplies close at hand, give us more food preparation space and to be able to move the coffee machine and grinder to cut down on noise. Thanks to Kevin Price for overseeing this project. Thanks also to Jean, Peter Auriac, John & Sue Smith, Fran & Jim O'Connor and Michael Mahan. These renovations will make working in the cafe easier for the volunteers and a more pleasurable experience for the customers. We are looking for a stainless steel kitchen bench for the new renovations. If you have one or are aware of one please let us know.

Discount Coffee for Members: Members of the Wootton Community Network can now get a \$2 cup of coffee at the Brush Turkey Coffee. Great value for members to have a cuppa and catch up with friends.

Community Dinners

The 4th birthday dinner was a huge success, with a great roll up, delicious food and wonderful live music.

Guests enjoyed the music or sat around the open fire on a beautiful starry night. Thanks to all the cooks and a special thanks to Dulcie for making the decorated birthday mud cake.



The 'Xmas in July' was equally enjoyable with a good crowd despite the very cool weather. Thanks to Jean for co-ordinating the dinner and making the Xmas pudding. The "Bollywood Dinner" on the **30th August** should be fun, so dress up if you like. We will be entertained by some Bollywood Dancing. Some warming Indian cur-

ries will be served, which are always popular, so book early. Also, don't forget the **Middle Eastern Dinner** in September.

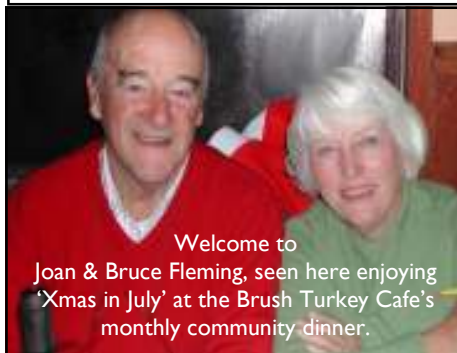
Movie & Supper Night

Saturday 6th August, 7pm \$10 for pre movie nibbles & supper.

Artists Wanted Anyone interested in exhibiting in the cafe, please leave your details at the Brush Turkey Cafe.

Wootton Tennis Club

Championships 23rd/24th August.
Names in by Friday 15th August
BBQ provided.
Ring Alison Watt on 49977126
New competition starting
after championships.



Welcome to
Joan & Bruce Fleming, seen here enjoying
'Xmas in July' at the Brush Turkey Cafe's
monthly community dinner.

Apologies for
incorrect phone
contact for
FAWNA in last
newsletter.



For injured or
orphaned Australian native
animals
Call 65814141 24 hours.

Community Volunteers Australia Historic Railway Walk

The Community Volunteers Australia Group are due to start again on the Historic Railway Walk. The future dates are 8-12th September, 27th-30th October and 10th-14th November. If you would like to come and work along side international and local volunteers ring Bron on 49977185 to find out more. Thanks to State Forests and CVA for making this project possible.



Wootton Fire Brigade News

Meeting Sunday 7th September Squires Road Fire Brigade shed 9am
Open Day Wootton Members will be available at the Brush Turkey Café on Saturday 20th Sept for your questions. The fire tanker will also be on show.
New Members are always needed. Call for more info or come to meetings.
Mike Badcock (Captain) Phone: 4997 7337.

YOGA CLASSES

Gentle stretching, breathing and relaxation. \$7 per session, wear something comfortable and bring a mat or towel. Call 49977201 for more details.

Mondays: Bulahdelah School of Arts 6pm
Wednesdays: Wootton Community Hall 6pm



Focus on a Local

Local Ceramicist Ella Szpindler recently held a successful exhibition of her ceramic sculpture, along with 4 other artists, at the Ewart Gallery in Willoughby. Ella is a very talented ceramicist now living in Wootton. Ella studied sculpture at the Kenar Art School in Zakopane, Poland. Subsequently, she worked in France doing antique furniture restoration. When she emigrated to Australia, she completed an Art Certificate at East Sydney Technical College (now the National Art School). She has also attended the Workshop Arts Centre at Willoughby and completed a variety of ceramic workshops and short courses. Ella's beautiful ceramic artworks reflect the sculptural forms of the natural environment from which she draws inspiration. She has now relocated to Wootton with her partner, Ian Dobson, where she has built a studio and kiln for her art practice.

Art at the Brush Turkey Café

This month's artist is **Ingrid Kerr**. Ingrid Kerr was born in Germany and from an early age was given lessons by her grandmother, an established artist in St. Petersburg Russia. After moving to Australia Ingrid exhibited and sold her paintings in the Sydney area. She later moved to the mid north coast of NSW where she began to exhibit and sell her work from 2002 until 2004. Due to family reasons Ingrid moved again to live in Germany where her work was exhibited and sold to many parts of Europe, UK, Ireland, USA and NZ. As an artist Ingrid mainly paints plants, Australian landscapes, native animals and birds using oil as her preferred medium. Her work can be seen in many locations around Forster.

Coolongolook School News

K/1/2 We have started our Olympic studies by looking at how the Olympics started. We have read some Greek legends and discussed the Gods and Heroes of Ancient Greece.

3/4/5/6 This term is an Olympic and Paralympics term for all students. Look out for our very own 'Games' later in the year.

Library Book Week is in Week 5 this term. "Fuel the Mind" is the topic.

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Lance Sharp (Principal) & Jan Oxford



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