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BUNGWAHL BUNYAH BULAHDELAH

White Headed Pigeon *Columba leucomela*

The White-headed Pigeon is endemic to rainforests in eastern Australia. It is a close relative of the domesticated pigeon and is of similar size and shape. In forests this pigeon is difficult to observe. By contrast, round towns and farms it may form large flocks to feed, especially on fallen fruits of the exotic Camphor Laurel. When nesting, it is detected most readily by its loud booming calls. Seen in our area now. They are extremely timid, so approach carefully.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday 16th December	Fundraiser for Hwy accident victims Plough Inn Hotel 6pm
Saturday 17th December	Santa at the Brush Turkey Café 10am
Saturday 17th December	Live Music Afternoon with Peter Kershaw at the cafe 1pm
Saturday 17th December	Coolongolook P & C Community Xmas Party 5.30pm
Friday 23rd December	Community Christmas Party Brush Turkey Café 6:30pm
Sat 24th/Sun 25th Dec	Brush Turkey Café CLOSED
Sat 31st Dec/Sun 1st Jan	Brush Turkey Café CLOSED
Saturday 31st December	New Years Eve Fireworks Plough Inn Hotel B'lah 9pm & 12pm
Saturday 31st December	New Years Eve Fireworks John Wright Park 9:30pm
Thursday 26th January	Australia Day Breakfast Brush Turkey Café 8am-10am
Saturday 28th January	Aussie BBQ Brush Turkey Café 7pm
Saturday 28th January	Nabiac Farmers Market Nabiac Showground

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Wootton Community Network News

We would like to thank anyone and everyone who has helped throughout the year. Our community is strengthened through volunteer connections, contributions and support which makes for a more cohesive community. Thanks also to:

- a generous resident who made a generous donation recently.
- Wolf Joester for constructing a much needed fly screen door for the café.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our readers

Brush Turkey Café News

- The Halloween Dinner was a lot of fun with everybody dressing in some creative costumes. Thanks again to Neal for entertaining us with his guitar and songs.
- Our early Christmas Dinner was a resounding success, with much positive feedback, and raves about Jean's Xmas pudding.
- Xmas Seafood Dinner has been **cancelled** due to over commitments.
- The café will be closed Xmas & New Year weekends and will reopen 7th January.
- **Santa Claus** will be at the Brush Turkey Café Saturday, 17th December at 10am, for big or small kids.
- **Live Music** with Peter Kershaw on harp and other instruments this Saturday 17th December 1pm at the café.
- **Community Christmas Party** Friday 23rd December at 6:30pm
Bring a plate to share. BYOG. ALL WELCOME
- **Australia Day Breakfast** Thursday 26th January 8am
- **January Community Dinner** Aussie BBQ feast \$15 per head.
7pm 28th January 2006 BYOG Please book on 49977296



Leanne & Peter looked great as a modern day witch and wizard.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE IS
31ST JANUARY, 2006

WE WELCOME CONTRIBUTIONS & FEEDBACK

*What's happening in your neck of the woods? Eg: Bunyah, Bungwahl, Coolongolook...
Contact the editors.*

Australia Day Breakfast

Thursday 26th January, 2006



Brush Turkey Café

8am-10am

Gold coin donation



Santa at the Brush Turkey Café

Saturday 17th December at 10am

Bring along your child, grandchild, niece or nephew and have a photo with Santa.

Adults are welcome too.

Lollies for the kids



Wootton Community Christmas Party

Brush Turkey Cafe

Friday 23rd December 6.30pm

Come one & all for our annual get together to celebrate

2005, another year older,
another year wiser.

Bring a plate to share. BYOG

NO COST

ALL WELCOME



CTC News

The Wootton CTC will be open as normal on Wednesday 28th Dec 4-6pm & Wednesday 4th January 4-6pm while the Café is closed. The CTC is open Mondays and Wednesdays 4-6pm and every weekend 10am to 4pm whilst the café is open. Students half price for computer/internet use.

Marie Power, the Nabiac CTC Manager, will now be in attendance every Saturday afternoon 2-4pm.

Coolongolook School News

Coolongolook P & C will be holding a Community Xmas Party on Saturday 17th December at Coolongolook Hall starting at 5.30pm. \$3 per adult, children under 12 free. Includes sausage sizzle, steak sandwich, BYO plate to share for supper. Santa will be there! If you want your child to receive a present leave it with Bob at the shop clearly marked (\$10 limit).

Raffle drawn on the night, \$1 each or 6 for \$5

1st Prize	Super Xmas stocking
2nd Prize	Washing basket hamper
3rd Prize	Ham from Griffos

Xmas Music singing & dancing. Contact Ellen on 49977511.

From the Principal's Desk

The end of the year is rapidly approaching, and we are looking forward to our Presentation Day which will be held at 11.30am on Monday 19th December. Besides the usual awards to the outstanding students for 2005, the classes will be presenting two hilarious plays, and will be singing some lovely Christmas Carols. Anyone who has been or is associated with the school are welcome to attend. I'm sure you will enjoy what will be the final presentation in what has been a great year for staff, students and parents. To complete the Swimming School, which has been held every Friday, the whole school had a swim in the Forster Saltwater Pool, and followed this up with lunch of Christmas Chips. Everyone then continued onto the Aquatic Centre for the final lessons. The improvement in swimming skills by all students this year was excellent. Damien Rae and Tully Gray recently received their special Premier's Certificates. We were all proud of the first two students ever to receive the awards.

School begins for students in 2006 on Tuesday 31st January.



Peter Mason

Some of the Wealth of Birds sighted in & around Wootton at the moment

King parrot, Eastern Rosella, Crimson Rosella, Scaly Wing Parrot, Pink & Grey Galah, Scaly Wing Crested Hawk, Grey Goshawk, Wedged Tailed Eagle, Honey Eater, Dollar Bird, Pheasant Coucal, Diamond Bird (spotted Pardalote), Spectacled Monarch, White Headed Pigeon, Brown Pigeon, Channel Billed Cuckoo, Eastern Spinebill, Eastern Yellow Robin, Firetail, Brush Turkey, Lyre Bird, Catbird, Bower bird, Whipbird, Pacific Heron, Butcher bird, Magpie, Currawong, Willy Wag Tail.

Can you add to this list? Contact the editors.



Wootton Rural Fire Brigade News rfs.nsw.gov.au

'Keeping our community safe'

Total Fire Ban Rules: During a Total Fire Ban no fire may be lit in the open. Fire permits are suspended during a Total Fire Ban. This includes incinerators and barbecues which burn solid fuel, eg: wood or charcoal. You may use a gas or electric barbecue but only if :

- It is on a residential property within 20m of the house or dwelling
- If it is a picnic area and the appliance is approved by Council, National Park or State Forest.
- It is under the direct control of an adult
- The ground within 2m of the barbecue is cleared of all materials which could burn
- You have an immediate and continuous supply of water available

Please contact Robyn Smith on 49977209 or Mike Badcock on 49977337 for permits in the Wootton area.

How will you know if a Total Fire Ban is declared?

Check the RFS website Current Fire Danger Map or call NSW RFS (1800 679 737). Total Fire Ban Recorded Information 9898 1356.

Announcements are also made in newspapers, radio and TV.

Next Meeting: 9am Sunday 18th December

Wootton Brigade Fire Shed

Coolongolook Sports & Tennis Club News

- ◆ Joining Fee (One off) Adult \$10, Juniors (Primary) \$5, Pensioners \$10
Annual Subs. Adult \$20, Juniors \$10, Pensioners \$10, Family \$40
(2 adults, 2 children)
- ◆ Casual court Hire \$12/hr, \$6/hr Members and \$2/hr for Juniors.
Coaching will be available if enough interest is shown at \$6 per hour.
Keys are kept by Mandy Buchanan 49977385
- ◆ The Club has offered Coolongolook School the use of the courts one free afternoon per week.

Bingo: Thursday 15th, 29th December 7pm Coolongolook Hall

New Measures to Help Control Feral Animals on State Forests in NSW

Forests NSW and The Game Council NSW are currently working towards identifying areas where feral animal populations on State Forests (such as Wang Wauk) are causing problems for private land holders. A major function of Game Council NSW is to introduce a Game Hunting Licence system in NSW with the intention that responsible, licensed and accountable hunters will be available for participation in integrated feral animal control programmes on both public and private land. For more information contact State Forests 02 4931 666 (www.forests.nsw.gov.au) or Game Council of NSW 02 6360 5100 (www.gamecouncil.nsw.gov.au)

Letters to the Editors

Dear Bronwyn or Pat,

I have been a visitor to your area for some time now. It never ceases to enthral me with its absolute tranquillity. It really is a very special place. I was inspired to write my little poem after a recent visit there. I thought you might like to include it in your Wootton news letter which I always enjoy reading.

Sincerely Pamella Mckenzie Watanobbi NSW

Wootton



*There's a place I know called WOOTTON
So peaceful so green so pretty,
Where life moves at a slower pace
And there's none of the rush of the city.*

*You see farms nestled into the hills,
You see horses and wallabies feeding
And at night all the sounds of the bush
While the rest of the world is sleeping.*

*There are dams that are covered with lilies
Some blue and some white and some pink,
With big trees for shade in the summer
When the cows wander down for a drink,*

*The people who live there are special,
They know how lucky they are
To live in their own little heaven
At WOOTTON the best place by far*



By Pamella Mckenzie

Boiled Fruit Cake

125g butter or substitute

1 cup brown sugar

375g mixed fruit

1 teaspoon mixed spice

1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

1/2 tablespoon carb soda

1 cup water

2 eggs, slightly beaten

1 cup plain flour

1 cup self raising flour



Put everything, except eggs and flour, in a saucepan and bring to the boil.

Simmer gently for 3 minutes.

Take off the heat and cool.

Heat oven to 180 degrees.

Line a round 20cm cake tin with baking paper.

When butter/sugar mixture is cool add the 2 eggs and then the sifted flour.

Pour mixture into prepared cake tin.

Cook in a moderate oven (Gas 180 degrees) for 1 1/2 hours.

This cake can be iced and should be eaten straight away but will keep about a week. From Mum's recipe book. This is a light fruit cake and tastes delicious.

Happy Christmas eating. Pat Tate

Courses/Tuition

Yoga classes are held during the school term every Wednesday at the Wootton Hall and Mondays at Bulahdelah RSL Hall 6pm ~ 7.30pm Cost \$5, wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat. Best on an empty stomach.

Contact Peter Auriac on 49977201

Peter is also available for private classes by appointment.

For Sale

- ◆ 1983 Model Nissan Bluebird wagon
Contact Peter 0407974420 \$450 ono
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Phone Geoff 49977404
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49977351

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