

# WOOTTON VALLEY NEWS

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## **Willy Wag Tail** *Rhipidura leucophrys*

The Willie Wagtail is the largest, and most well-known, of the Australian fantails. The Willie Wagtail is found throughout mainland Australia but not Tasmania. They are often associated with water-courses and wetlands and are common around human habitation. The name wagtail stems from the constant sideways wagging of the tail. Young birds resemble the adults, but have paler, slightly rusty edges to the feathers of the wings. Although usually seen singly or in pairs, it may form winter flocks, often mixed with other species. The wagtail will expand its white eyebrow to threaten another during breeding season or in a territorial dispute. Usually, one of the two will end up signalling submission by shrinking its eyebrow until it is no longer visible. In the breeding season, which is throughout the year in good times but usually between August and December, the Willie Wagtail's nest is a neatly woven cup of grasses, covered with spider's web on the outside and lined internally with soft grasses, hair or fur. The soft lining of the nest, if not readily available, is often taken directly from an animal. The Willie Wagtail is very tolerant and tame around humans, often feeding and nesting in close proximity of houses and human activity. The call of a Willie Wagtail is brisk, sharp and lively with a pleasantly musical chatter but they can also have a harsh loud metallic sound when annoyed. During the night they can also be heard calling.



## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Saturday 29th May	Community Dinner "French" Brush Turkey Café 7pm
Sunday 30th May	Wootton Fire Brigade AGM 9.30am Fire Shed
Saturday 5th June	Taree Scribblers Book Launch Manning Gallery
Monday 14th June	Wootton Way Clean Up 9am (meet at café)
Saturday 12th June	Supper & Movie Night 7pm
Friday 18th June	Ladies' Night Brush Turkey Cafe 6pm
Saturday 26th June	Community Dinner "Bring a Curry" Brush Turkey Café 7pm
Saturday 3rd July	Wootton Fire Brigade Training Day
Friday 16th July	Ladies' Night Brush Turkey Cafe 6pm
Sunday 18th July	Wootton Fire Brigade Meeting 9.30am Fire Shed

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## **Wootton Community Network**

### **Community Dinners    Bookings essential on 49977296**

**March's** "bring-a-plate" dinner was a nice relaxed casual evening allowing the usual volunteers a night off to enjoy. Lots of interesting meals. Raffle prize winners were:

1st prize Leanne Wright (Basket of Easter eggs),

2nd Prize Garry Williams (Wine donated by Great Lakes Winery),

3rd Prize Sue Smith (Chocolates).

Pumpkin Guessing Competition won by Bronwyn Little and Sue Smith, weight 9kg, pumpkin supplied by Pat and Craig Tate.

**April's** Vietnamese dinner was another enjoyable evening with lots of interesting flavours.

**May's** dinner, Saturday 29th May, will be French Cuisine. There will be a lucky door and trivia prizes on the night.

**June's** dinner, Saturday 26th, will be a "Bring a Curry to Share". \$5 will cover accompaniments. Raffle to be held on the night.

**Ladies Night** Dates are Friday 18th June and 16th July. Call Fran on 49977323 for more details.

### **Wootton Way Cleanup**

Anyone with used feed bags please drop off at the Wootton Community Centre. The next cleanup will be held on Monday 14th June at 9am

**Playground Equipment** Great Lakes Council have advised us that the playground equipment at the Wootton Centre has only 2 years of life left in it. To replace the equipment will cost \$25,000 and refurbishment \$10,000 approximately. Council does not have sufficient funds to undertake either of these options. They recommend that grants be obtained and to seek funding, which Council can assist with. Anyone interested contact Council. Ultimately, it will be removed in 2 years.

**Working Bee** During July and August while the café is closed for it's Winter break, there will be a working bee held on..... Jobs include, repainting the interior walls, garden maintenance, cleaning of gutters and general building maintenance. Anyone is welcome to help. Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided.

**Next Supper & Movie Night** Saturday, 12th June, 7pm.

### **Next Wootton Valley News Deadlines 26th July**

If you have any interesting stories, photographs, anecdotes, local events, celebrations, achievements etc, feel free to contact the editors for their inclusion. The more input from the community the more

### Café News

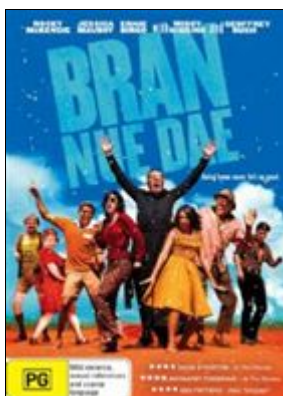
Anyone wishing to help keep the café running, by volunteering, please contact Leanne on 49977201.

Please note the Brush Turkey café will be closed for the months of July and August to allow for a well earned break. Over that time we will be holding 2 working bee days to refurbish the café and work on the garden.



Fire Brigade discussion group held on the verandah at the cafe

## Supper and Movie Night Saturday 12th June 7pm



*Bran Nue Dae* "Going home never felt so good"

In the Summer of 1965 a young man is filled with the life of the idyllic old pearling port Broome, fishing, hanging out with his mates and his girl. However his mother returns him to the religious mission for further schooling. After being punished for an act of youthful rebellion, he runs away from the mission on a journey that ultimately leads him back home. Starring Geoffrey Rush, Magda Szubanski, Tom Budge, Missy Higgins, Ernie Dingo, Deborah Mailman

**\$10 includes pre-movie light meal and supper after the movie.**

### Art at the Brush Turkey Café

Our new artist for June (café closed for July/August) is Vicki Bullard. Vicki comes from Tuncurry and teaches art at the arts and crafts centre. She paints in oils and pastels mostly landscapes and sea scapes. Her father was a painter and learnt most of her techniques from him.

The paintings have been well received so far and are well worth a look at. Any artists wanting to exhibit please leave your name at the café or contact Pam Dunne on 49977156.

### Thankyou to...

Malcolm at the Bulahdelah CTC for printing our newsletter.

**Congratulations to ...**Vincent & Lawrence Shipton for their success in the last Bulahdelah Hill Climb.



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## Wootton Fire Brigade News

The AGM will be held at 9:30 on Sunday 30th May at the fire station in Squires Rd, Wootton. The next meeting after that will be 18th July at 9:30. Training days will be held on 3rd July & 7th August at 9:30.



### New Members Required

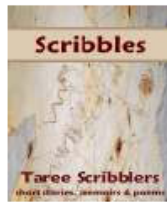
If you're over 16, male or female and have any spare time please consider joining the Wootton Fire Brigade. Application Forms are available from Mike Badcock 49977337.

Congratulations to Keith Grahame, Craig Tate, Garry Williams, Robyn Smith and Colin MaCallum on receiving their long service medal as a volunteer in the NSW Rural Fire Service. They received their medals from Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons

in a ceremony at the Bulahdelah Golf Club along with others from other brigades in the area. The medal is for over ten years service (some had over twenty years).



You are cordially invited to a Book Launch at  
**Manning Regional Art Gallery - June 5<sup>th</sup> - 1pm**  
Guest speaker – Daniel Scott - Award winning writer & SMH  
MC- Anthony Zanos-2RE  
-All welcome-



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*Writers of the Manning Valley*

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For more info: Elizabeth Christo 0416 133 342

Congratulations to Patrick Riviere  
on his recent performances  
at the Sydney French Theatre in  
Cleveland St. The actors perform  
in French with English  
sub titles on a screen.  
"Rouge" is a selection of hilarious  
short plays intended to make you  
turn "rouge"  
with laughter.



### WOOTTON WEEDERS UPDATE

In early April the Wootton Weeders had an induction meeting for 6 new members. We are now 14 in number and have designated 3 more new creek areas to clear of privet, moth vine and other weeds. So, now there are 4 sections of various creeks around Wootton which are under 'fire' from our enthusiastic group.

Great Lakes Council Weed Officers have provided about 70 Dianella seedlings and 2 trees which have been planted by the Wootton Weeders during May on the corner of Possum Pie Rd and Elmar Rd. We meet fortnightly at 9a.m. on any day of the week that suits most of us for that particular week and weed for about 2 hours. It's amazing how much difference this combined effort makes in one morning on the appearance of the riparian site.

If you would like to make a difference to a creek near you, join the team and help weed Wootton.

For more information please talk to Judy Hammond or ring her on 4997 7272



Judy Hammond in action



Warren & Tony at work

#### **Wootton Tennis Club**

Starting in the beginning of June. Any interested players please call  
Alison on 0401 594 357 or Leanne on 49977201

#### **The Morland Gallery 105 Isabella Street Wingham, presents Artworks by Fred Bullen**

Exhibition Dates: 26 May – 12 June 2010  
Open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 10.00am to 5.00pm.  
Saturday: 10.00am to 2.00pm.





### **It would only happen in the country**

Whilst working on her computer, Anna McKendry, heard the familiar clip clopping of her horse on the verandah. She turned around and to her surprise the curious horse had decided to come and visit her inside the house. She quickly snapped this photo.

### **Coolongolook & District Memorial Hall Reunion**

October Long Weekend 2nd/3rd October 2010

Come along and have a chat, share your memories, tell your stories, prompt your memories with the photo gallery.

Contact: Tracey Harwood 49977136 or Neryl Gordon 49977157

Gemma & Lucy Atkins helping out in the  
Brush Turkey Café  
whilst their parents attended a meeting



Local artist  
Alison Higgs at  
the opening of  
her exhibition

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