

Wootton Valley News



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Carpet/Diamond Python

(Morelia spilota)

The two sub-species *variegata* and *imbricata* vary enormously and appear to hybridise in the northern district of NSW. The Diamond Python is typically glossy olive black above, with cream or yellow spots on many of the individual scales. While the Carpet python ranges from pale to dark brown with blackish blotches. Length 2-4 metres. An expert rat catcher.

Community Calendar

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| Tues 17th April | Progress Assoc. AGM 7.30pm WCC |
| Fri 27th April | Monthly Dinner 6:30pm (Thai food) |
| Thurs 3rd May | Network Monthly Meeting 7pm |
| Sun 6th May | Wootton Rural Fire Services AGM 11am |
| Mon 7th May | Council Clean up day |
| Sat 19th May | Family Dance Coola' Hall-(Wootton Tennis) |
| Sat 26th May | Monthly Dinner -Wootton Winery |

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Wootton Community Network



Resource Centre Update-As you may have noticed construction work has begun on the centre. Peter Spaliveri has removed the stumps and excavated the land ready for building. Working bees have been happening every Saturday and progress is showing. We are lucky enough to enlist the services of Adam Jones to help with the bricklaying of the foundations. Craig Tate has been indispensable moving soil around with his backhoe. Peter Auriac's tractor moved many buckets of soil and many shovel loads have been moved by hand. Currently working bees for the centre are held on Saturday and Wednesday mornings and participation has been good. Particularly encouraging has been the amount of young people involved wishing to be able to say in the future "I helped build that". We can always do with any more **willing volunteers to help at the working bees.**



The building will give the community of Wootton a focal point serving as an outlet for local goods and produce, basic provisions, a café to service both locals and tourists, an information centre and community office.

The centre itself should create several part-time jobs. Its real potential is to provide a market place for local goods and produce combined with administrative support from the community office. Most emerging businesses struggle in the area of marketing (promotional material and access to markets) and in business support (access to computers, internet, area website, general office services and courier drop-off point). It is hoped that the centre will address these problems, fostering local enterprises and creating employment.

The Wootton Community Network is a *not-for-profit* incorporated association. Our current membership is around 20 active members. New members are always welcome.
Contact Garry Williams 49977167

Monthly Dinners-Friday 27th April-Thai Food.

Chefs for the night- Garry and Paul.

Saturday 26th May -Wootton Winery. Bookings essential. Phone Pat on 49977292

Amanda and Ellen's last dinner in March was excellent.

Produce market- 9-11 Saturday WCC will close down over Winter. Last day 28th April. Plant for Spring! Restart September.

Newsletter Advertising-Payment of \$25 non members, \$20 members is **now** called for. Payment to Jill Nairn 49977453

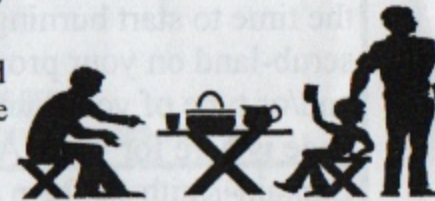
44 Newmans Rd Wootton

'Wootton Valley News' -Your Contributions are welcome. Next deadline 31st May

A Bush Banquet...

Forty people had a brilliant time eating superb food by candle light surrounded by towering flooded gums at the Trestle Bridge picnic area at the Wootton Networks' monthly dinner. They were taken on a guided tour of the Harry

Green Walk by Craig. The guests were then treated to a banquet of Sushi, Dolmades, Pakoras, rice paper rolls and Moroccan lentil soup, Warrigal Greens & Potato galette, herbed roulade, vegetable terrine, fettuccine with pesto sauce then a fresh fruit platter followed by lemon myrtle cordial, tea and coffee. We even made the social column in the Advocate.



**Council Clean-up day -Wootton
Monday -7th May
Census night -7th August**

Wootton Community Centre

- ♦ The Wootton Community Centres' Management committee is in need of a person to fill the position left by Tracey Lewis who has left our area. A second position will also be called for (in the next WVN) to boost our numbers and to allow for any other future resignations.
- ♦ Our new cupboard has been installed in the kitchen and looks great. (Thanks Kevin Price)

Wootton Rural Fire Service

Wootton Rural Fire Brigade would like to advise residents that permits are no longer required to burn. Now is the time to start burning piles of rubbish, paddocks and scrub-land on your property. If you are unsure of the size and/or type of your burn, please remember that the Brigade is here for you! Any enquiries can be made to the Captain-Keith Graham by phoning 49977336 or to the Secretary-Vanessa Perry on 49977184 who will pass any information or enquiries on to the Captain.

Also, on Sunday May 6th 2001 at 11am the Brigade will be holding their AGM, followed by a General Meeting and BBQ lunch. Any interested residents are most welcome to attend, and it is requested that, *all Active and Associate members attend.* Keith Graham Captain

Coolongolook/Wootton Progress Assoc'

A great day was had at the Family picnic day last Sunday 8th April. It is hoped that one will be held every few months. Touch football score was Coolongolook 4- Wootton 2. Get some training in for next time. AGM Tuesday 17th April. WCC Kay Desmond (sec)



Clean-up Australia Day

A collection of rubbish at the bus stop yielded 8 bags of rubbish. I have contacted Council re- getting a garbage bin for that area. A marked difference was noted in the amount of rubbish collected from the side of the road over the years since the by-pass. Rubbish dumping has been sighted along Bangalow Road. Please don't rubbish our beautiful local environment.

(B.Gibbs Wootton co-ordinator)

SCHOOL NEWS

Coolongolook School-

- ♦ New computers have been bought and will be installed in the holidays.
- ♦ Small schools' Rugby League carnival at Taree was attended for the first time.

Bulahdelah School

- ♦ Visit by the local band 'Chill' was great.
- ♦ This term ends Thursday 12th April resumes 1st May

Wootton Community & Tennis Club

- ♦ Childrens' Tennis coaching Fridays 4:30pm. Age 5 upwards. Will coach adults
- ♦ Family Dance 19th May - Coola' Hall. Rick Wrights Karaoke.
- ♦ Winter Comp-Names are required

Colleen Wright 49977159

Tuition/Courses

Computers-short courses (two nights). Basic spreadsheets and Windows. Ring Kay on 65591556



Yoga- Every Wednesday 7:00 WCC.\$5 per session. Phone Peter on 49977201

Ways to happiness

1. Cultivate a passion- Find something you enjoy doing.
2. Be a leaf on a tree- be unique and be part of something bigger.
3. Moderate introspection-look within but think of others.
4. Don't resist change-variety, flexibility, the unexpected, challenges
5. Live for the moment-postpone less of what you want to do.
6. Audit your happiness-How much of each day makes you happy?
7. Finally- Be happy, act it, play the part, put on a happy face.

Source The Telegraph -London(abbrev')



QUOTES

Jackie French P.S. If one more twit visits our place and says in a dubious tone of voice "But how much work you must do!" I'm going to kick them in the kneecaps! What else is life for, except to work extraordinarily hard at doing things you love? Tending plants, building houses, feeding friends, writing books...Do you really want your life to be measured in how many sitcoms and game shows you've watched. (Source- Earth Garden)

John Lennon- Life is what happens to you when you are busy making other plans.



FREEBIES

Photocopier- Sharp -z 50- needs service Jean 49977155

Young rooster -Phone Calum 49977292

WANTED

- Babysitting jobs for Llewellyn Gibbs and Amanda Buchanan \$6 per hour for two very capable child minders Phone 49977185
- 700ml spirit/cordial bottles for re-use. Ph Bronwyn 49977185
- Back hydraulic push- bucket for Ferguson TA 20 - 49977256
- Post hole digger Paul 49977256

FOR SALE



Tent canvas- older style continental. inside metal frame
10x8 sleeping with floor-8 x 8 annexe- see erected- \$50 ono

Jean 49977155

Two round cow feeders 6' diameter fair condition \$250 each ono

Kevin 49977155

Bathroom vanity unit- 4 feet long white-no taps- fair condition

\$40 ono Kevin 409977155

Electric organ- Yamaha, two keyboards, walnut colour \$60 ono

49977155

Lemon Myrtle cordial and now Lemon Myrtle sorbet.

For that new taste sensation Bronwyn 49977185

Rainforest Plants- Tube stock to 6" . \$4 to \$12 per pot, local varieties of rainforest plants 49977185

Tractor- McCormack Derring 1951- 4 cylinder Perkins engine

\$1800 Garry 49977167

Wood stove Good order. Big fire box-oven etc \$250

Garry 49977167

Large floor rug \$30, 2 matching s/b cream Sheridan quilts \$20 each, 1 blue s/b quilt \$10, Small beach umbrella(never used) \$5,

walking machine \$10, aluminium pressure cooker (good order) \$5,

Chef Electric 4 element cooktop \$40 All items ONO

Phone Tates 49977292

Garage Sale 8am onwards Thursday, Friday, Saturday

12, 13, 14th April 790 Wattle Hill Rd, Wootton.

Household items weight bench, stools, plants, odds and ends

Nearly everything from the last 'For Sales' was sold within the first few days of circulation, some within hours. One persons trash is another persons treasure. Recycle, make a few dollars and make someone else happy.