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GARDENING IN JUNE

Plant or transplant evergreen shrubs or trees, including roses. Divide up perennials, and plant where gaps occur in your beds to provide ground cover and choke out weeds. Prune all summer-flowering shrubs. Lift dahlias at the end of June and place under a hedge or in light shade. Mulch with compost all garden beds to protect plant roots from frost. Dig over vegetable plots with decomposed manure. Use fallen leaves and manure in compost.

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

June	3	Community bus, Playgroup
	7	Household Fire Training Day
	8	Queen's Birthday
	10	Playgroup
	12	Fire Brigade meeting
	15	Progress meeting
	17	Community bus, Playgroup
	20	Fire Brigade Mystery Tour
	21	<i>Shortest day of the year</i>
	24	6pm deadline for July "Times", Playgroup

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Jake Higgenbottom	June 4
Eric Dole (Jnr) (5yrs)	7

Come with your children and join the fun at PLAYGROUP. There's plenty of toys and craft to do. There's always a cuppa for Mum and Dad. Come along for a chat. All you have to do is phone 48444382, 48444394 or 48444348.

BUNGONIA PLAYGROUP MEETS AT THE HALL AT 10.30am ON WEDNESDAYS.

COMMUNITY BUS: This runs between Bungonia and Goulburn every second Wednesday, for a small cost. For further information contact Ruth Travers 44.4290. The next bus dates are June 3rd and 17th.

A BIT OF HISTORY (Courtesy Moira McGinity)

John Sceales and his wife Margaret migrated to Australia from Scotland, arriving at Sydney Cove on January 6th, 1839, at 2pm. He was engaged by J.C.Lynch Esq. of Bungonia, and he and his wife left Sydney by mail at 5 o'clock on Wednesday April 3rd, and arrived at Bungonia about 5 o'clock on Friday, having spent two nights on the road. Old maps show J.C.Lynch as owning the village blocks opposite the Hall.

Sceales kept a diary during the voyage to Australia and until 1842, and this has been published by Juanita Minter as "Steerage to Australia". A post script to the diary contains extracts from archival material relating to John and Margaret Sceales' life in Bungonia. The following is an extract from a letter, dated June 1840, by Edward Hughes to the Governor, Sir George Gipps, complaining about Hughes' eviction from the Ship Inn by Lynch and Sceales:

"I was induced by the promises of a Mr.Lynch who keeps a General Store in this Township to take charge of an inn or Public House in July last. He to stock and furnish it and at the end of the year, He was to have two thirds of the profits and me one third.

Without waiting for the expiration agreed upon, Mr.Lynch entered the House in my absence on 5th instant, and with the assistance of his Shop Man (John Sceales) and two ticket of leave holders in his employment, by force and violence took possession. One of the ticket of leave holders kicking My wife violently and repeatedly in the Knee. the other ticket of leave holder bending back her hands with all her strength to make her let go any hold she might have taken to endeavour to retain possession - at length the Shop Man and the last mentioned ticket of leave holder, succeeded in getting her on the floor of the Bar, from whence they dragged her through the passage and outside the House, tearing her clothes and bruising her person in several places - Mr.Lynch present all the time, and when he went to lock the door my wife made a feeble effort to prevent him when he pushed her violently from him, locked the door and put the key in his pocket. The House is shut up ever since. Much inconvenience has been felt by travellers, and neighbours and my family deprived of a home, indebted by the Compassion of our neighbours, particularly Mr.J.Armstrong and the Reverend Woodd, the respected Protestant Minister residing here."

Edward Hughes wanted to prevent John Sceales from getting a licence for the Ship Inn, just opposite where the Community Hall now stands. He said that there were seven houses in the village and four of them were Public Houses, but the Governor informed Hughes that he never interfered in the granting of licences. John Sceales is listed as the licensee of the Ship Inn 1840/41 and 1841/42. The name changed to the Victoria in 1842 and he held that licence until his death in 1848.

At the Berrima Quarter Session 27-30 October, 1840, John G. Lynch (free), John Sceales (free), Jeremiah McCarthy (freed), and Matthew Bull (freed) were severally indicted for an assault on the person of Catherine Hughes of Bungonia. Verdict, guilty. Sentence, Lynch and Sceales fined each 10 pounds, McCarthy and Bull ditto 5 pounds.

Archival information provided by Ann Smith.

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Insert ready for inclusion	\$10.00	
Double page at discount	\$30.00	

All correspondence and money can be left in the "Bungonia Times" letterbox (the one with the yellow lid) outside the Brooks' home in Bungonia by 6pm on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, for inclusion in the July issue. Please ensure that all contributions are received by this date. For any late items, a fee will be charged at the rate of \$5 extra per item.

If anyone would like to have "The Bungonia Times" delivered to a Post Office Box or to ensure that it is delivered to a mail box, please send your mailing details to Pauline Dickson, "Netherfield", Tarago Road, Bungonia, 2580, with a cheque for \$12 to cover the cost of postage for a year. Please make the cheques payable to "Bungonia Times".

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

President: Ray Dole 4844 7179

Secretary: Moira McGinity 4844 4266

Treasurer: Cherie Jenkins 4844 4241

Hall Hire: Moira McGinity 4844 4266

Next Meeting: Monday, June 15, 7.30pm at the Community Hall

RANGE HOOD: A big Thank You to Gerald Fitzgerald who has very generously donated a range hood to the Hall. This will be installed during the next couple of weeks and its use will make the supper room much more comfortable when the Market Day team are cooking up a storm in the kitchen.

Following up a suggestion, the Progress Association is planning to publish The Bungonia Book and would love to receive copies of favourite family recipes. These must be original and not from published recipe books or magazines. You know the kind, written on bits of paper, the edges torn from frequent use and always falling out of your favourite recipe book and often in your grandmother's or a friend's handwriting.

Federation 2001 Grants: The State government is making these grants available for District projects so we need community involvement to put forward ideas for our village. One suggestion is a history walk. Another is a nature walk through the Park. Inda Evans points out that it's unlikely that single organization projects will be funded eg. repairing the Hall roof.

Come to the June Progress Meeting and help us make a submission.

Naming of Rural Roads: The Shire is continuing the naming of roads in our area and if you are interested in the latest list, contact either the Shire or M.McGinity on 4844 4266. Comments should be returned to the Shire by May 1st.

BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

CAPTAINS REPORT

Thankfully, the fire season is over, and sensible hazard reduction is encouraged in the Bungonia area. When carrying out hazard reduction, please let your neighbours know at least 12 hours beforehand, check on the weather conditions, and look after the fire until it is completely extinguished. If you are interested in Bushfire training, then many facets of firefighting will be dealt with in training over the coming months, and all residents are encouraged to attend the household fire training day on Sunday 7th June.

Fire Report

One incident was reported in the Bungonia Brigade area during the last month. On the 29th April, 1998 - Bungonia/3 and 3 crew members were called out to a motor vehicle accident, approx. 2 km. along the Jacqua Road from its junction with the Oallen Road. One person was trapped until released by the Goulburn Fire Rescue, there was no fire so the crew were on standby, and assisted where necessary.

Many thanks to the crew members.

Charlie Klein
Fire Captain.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NORMA WALTERS WHO WON THE CLASS 2 HANDWEAVING AND SPINNING AT THE GOULBURN SHOW!

LANDCARE

MAY 1998 UPDATE.



INVERARY CREEK LANDCARE GROUP.

With the recent good rains we are anticipating an excellent planting season for Farm Forestry in the coming Winter and Spring.

The Summer of 1998 has really shown the benefits of good ground preparation. Rough estimates of 1997 plantings have shown a success rate in excess of 95% on all plantings. This proves trees can be successfully planted and established in any season, if the correct methods are used.

The coming season will see further plantings for both Farm Forestry and erosion control, but what ever the reason and what ever the species to be planted the message is the same -- good ground preparation. The ideal sequence is ripping and mounding in Summer, preferable Dec/Jan to utilise any Summer rains to build up moisture in the rip lines, eliminate air pockets and give time to settle. This will allow planting for *P. radiata* in Winter and any native species in Spring on a moist soil.

Weed control then is essential, although this is helped in the mounding process. We have found Macspread granular applications are both cheap, easy and effective and need no expensive machinery.

Fertilising, while not essential, will greatly improve the results. As a rough guide 150gms per tree -- Starterphos for Pines and D.P.A. for natives. Early fertilising will ensure good root development.

Inverary will be holding a joint field day on establishing, care and maintenance of *P. radiata* in early June with A.C.T. Forests and S.T.F.F.N. Watch paper for details.

I have been contacted by several people recently on purchase of *P. radiata*. While orders have already been placed, there should still be some available from Sophie Clayton co-ordinator S.T.F.F.N. (Ring 026207 2494) and Tumut Forestry Office.

The L.A.W.C. ripper moulder has proved to be more in demand than anticipated, so people who have left ground preparation till now may miss out for this year. We will endeavor to arrange the machine for this area in Dec-Jan 1998-9 for next year, so if you are thinking of planting next year contact me so we can arrange all the work in this area at one time.

Ground preparation is now complete for the acid soil project in the Winston paddock. This will be included in the June field day the correct planting techniques will be demonstrated. L.A.W.C. have completed extensive erosion control work on the Washedaway Creek as requested in our sub catchment plans and will be helping fund the acid soil trials.

Extra funding has been promised by L.A.W.C. for extra work on farm forestry in the Winston Paddock in 1998-9. The plan at present is to sub divide an area of over 100 hectares into 5-10 hectare compartments and plant as funds become available. This together with plantings on Inverary Creek and Cowhole Creek will ensure the area is being developed into a viable farm forestry complex.

S.T.F.F.N. will be sponsoring two people from each C.M.C. to the Annual A.F.G. conference in Lismore in July. If you can attend, contact Sophie Clayton. For anyone interested in Farm Forestry this will be an excellent seminar.

K.M. COOPER

President Inverary Creek Landcare Group.