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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

OCTOBER 2001



Friday 5 th	Park Trust	7.30pm
Monday 8 th	Progress Association	7.30pm
Monday 8 th	Bush Fire Brigade	7.30pm
Thursday 11 th	CWA Meeting	10am

TEMPERATURE & RAINFALL

FOR AUGUST 2001

TEMPERATURE

Average Minimum 2.1°

Average Maximum 13.7°

RAINFALL

71.2mm

A SMILE



A SMILE costs nothing, but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever.

None is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it, and none is so poor but that he can be made rich by it. A SMILE creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and it is nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a SMILE. Give them one of yours; as none needs a SMILE so much as he who has no more to give.

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Please ensure that all contributions are received by the above time and date. For late entries please contact Cherie Jenkins on 4822 4241 (Email chezden@ozemail.com.au) or Susie Byrne on Ph/Fax 4844 7102 (Email wolfcon@bigpond.com.au).

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PARK TRUST

President: Frank McGinity: 4844 4266 Secretary: Karen Fabri: 4844 4382
Treasurer: Paul Bayliss: 4844 4359

Next meeting: Friday, 5th October 2001, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

Tennis Courts: Karen Fabri 4844 4382

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

President: Shirley Smith 4841 1976 Secretary: Ruth Dole 4844 7179
Treasurer & Publicity Officer: Colleen Cooper 4821 1856

Since our last report our branch helped the Southern Tablelands Group of CWA cater lunch for 350 past and present parliamentarians from various parts of the world at Bungendore, this was a very interesting day.

Due to lack of interest we will not be having the craft days during the holidays.

The CWA is represented in outside organisations such as Rural Women's Network; Farm Safe; Telstra; Rural Health Strategy Group; State Emergency Services; Forum for the Aged; T.A.F.E. Committees; Regional Transport Committee; Rural Task Force.

Our Annual meeting will be held on Thursday 11th October when memberships will be due for renewal. Ruth Dole was the competition winner at our last meeting.

Till next time . . . Colleen Cooper, Publicity Officer

CHURCH NEWS

CHRIST CHURCH - BUNGONIA

Enquiries: Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241 or Lorraine Westley 4844 4216

Minister: Rev Nick Hearnshaw 4821 4976

Keyboard: Brad Griffiths

Next Communion Service Sunday 13th October, 2001

Communion is held every 2nd Sunday. There will be no church meeting on the 5th Sunday of the month as we all meet in at St Nicholas Church in Kinghorne Street Goulburn.

Bible Study:

Bible Study has recommenced and we are meeting at Lorraine Westley's place (The Old Cop Shop in Bungonia). All welcome, we start at 7.30 pm and finish at 9.15 pm with a cuppa and nibbles. Come along and join the growth and sharing in a friendly atmosphere. For info, call Lorraine on 4844 4216 or Cherie on 4822 4241.

Cleaning & Flower Roster

January & July:	Bayliss	April & October:	Edwards
February & August:	Jenkins	May & November:	Jessep
March & September:	Westley	June & December:	Lawrence

Easter & Christmas Group Working Bee

ST. PATRICKS - MARULAN

MASS TIMES. Sunday 4pm

PRIEST Fr. Kevin Brannelly Phone number 4821 1022

PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Marlene Eggleston 041 821 3121

Judy Gibbons would like to hear from anyone interested in joining in a regular prayer group at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Bungonia. Her phone number is 4844 4446

There's a warm welcome at Christ Church, Bungonia
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- a cosy gas heater
- friendly welcoming people
- enthusiastic singing
- short interesting talks
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Patchwork & Quilting Classes

Contacts: Pauline Dickson 4844 4202 or Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241

If you'd like to meet other local ladies for a spot of sewing and morning tea – we'd like to meet you so come along, everyone is welcome!

Classes are every Monday from 9am to 12 midday at the Bungonia Village Hall. If you would like to learn the art of patchwork and quilting, contact Pauline or Cherie on the above numbers.

Classes are just \$2.00 (\$1.00 towards new books, tea, coffee etc & \$1.00 towards hall hire), we also have a teacher (Leigh Reynolds) who comes once a fortnight to give us great tips and sewing techniques, we pay \$4.00 extra to help cover her traveling costs and teaching, where else would you get classes this cheap!

"THE SHED"

I have a little workshop and it's down behind the house
Stacked with handy gadgets for trapping rat and mouse
Little bags of compost that fester in the corner
And a two stroke Victa Mower that couldn't look forlorn . . .

There are drills and bits of light switch that you never know when you'll need
And that broken Kreisler Stereogram that never played to speed.

There's a clunking Kelvinator making noises loud and rude
But it keeps the beer real cold when the other's stuffed with food.

There are fishing rods of finest wood, three longer and one shorter
Those and the nets would fall to bits, if they ever saw the water

There are the taps you've stacked away for 14 years in store
And wives will never understand, they don't make 'em like that any more.

There's a diff from a 52 Chev now that'd be worth some money
And there's the seat that Uncle Bill says, was once on Ben Chifleys Dunno

Up in the rafters there are dozens of things, most without any name
And there's the ship, the house and the boot from that old monopoly game.

This is the place where wives never come, where a man's in his own domain
Where all those tools you don't know how to use, can help to keep you sane

These are the things that women attack when the going begins to get rough
Mothers or wives, they're all the same, they just don't know it's all such handy stuff.

It was only last night she used some old paint, a board, a hammer and nail
And bashed up a sign that she put out the front which said,



BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

Emergency Numbers: 4821 1914 Andy Smith: 4821 5009 or Bungonia Base

NEXT MEETING: Friday 12th October, 2001 7.30 pm at the fire shed.

WORKING BEE: Saturday 3rd November 2001, 9am start – BBQ lunch provided

Contacts: *President* – Dennis Jenkins 4822 4241 *Secretary* – Cherie Jenkins 4822 4241
Captain – John Edwards 4821 5489 *Treasurer* – Paul Bayliss 4844 4359

Captains Report:

I would like to thank all who volunteered their time and energy in our fund raising exercise, we raised a massive \$1200.00. Everyone who went said they enjoyed themselves and would do it again. Thank you.

Remember this brigade is run by volunteers giving their time and energy to help cover this area and sometimes outside our own boundaries.

Over the last few years it has been run by the same group of volunteers, maybe its time for you to get out there and meet and enjoy the company of the other members who all say they enjoy their time together, we make it a great day out for families.

So if you have not helped in anyway, take up the challenge and join in! It is your area, we all live here, so lets help each other.

The Shire fire competition will be held on Sunday 30th September. We will be entering a team, so if you would like to be involved, give me a call (4821 5489).

A maintenance roster will be made up shortly, we have some names ready to go on it but we still need more. If you can help out, it only takes maybe 1 to 2 hours to check out the trucks, give Cherie a call on 4822 4241 to register.

John Edwards, Captain

Note from the Secretary

Hi there to everyone. I am at present putting together a roster for the maintenance of the trucks in the shed. It doesn't really involve much, all you have to do is simply start the trucks and make sure they are running smoothly, make sure the water tanks are full of water, the petrol tanks in the trucks are full of fuel and the pumps on the trucks are also full of fuel, start them to make sure they are running and finally that the jerry cans are full also. It would only take approximately 1 or 2 hours depending on yourself.

We are organising to have the trucks checked every fortnight by 2 members, and this means that if we have enough names, you may only have to do it once each season. If you find that anything isn't as it should be, you let one of the equipment officers know and fill in the book in each truck to say what you have done.

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BUNGONIA BUSHFIRE BRIGADE – Continued

If you would like to be on the roster, please give me a call on 4822 4241, you wont be on alone, you will have someone with you, so if you would like to work with someone in particular, let me know also or if you would prefer to be on with someone who has done it before, let me know. I await your call!

The Brigade will be holding a working bee on Saturday 3rd November 2001 at 9.00 am. This will be to service the trucks and clean out the shed – pre fire season. Also the office could do with another coat of paint so we can lay the carpet and have the cupboards built – bring a paint brush along and have a slapping good time. We will be having a Barbeque lunch (all provided for you), so bring along your energy for working and eating! See you there.

Thanks
Cherie Jenkins, Secretary

A BIG THANKS: goes out to those who helped on September 1st & 2nd at the Workers Gun Club "Shoot Out". You were responsible for our raising a great \$1,200.00 for the brigade. Give yourself a pat on the back.

BUNGONIA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

<u>President:</u>	Ray Dole	4844 7179	<u>Secretary:</u>	Sandy Wooderson	4844 4215
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Diana Moran	4844 4234	<u>Hall Hire:</u>	Moira McGinity	4844 4266

NEXT MEETING: Monday, 8th October 2001, 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

CHARGES: Membership Fee \$5.00 NOW DUE
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NOTE: All charges will have GST added from October 1st for Progress is going to become GST registered.

We are hoping to get the Halls roof replaced in October, depending on the weather so we need all the funds we can get. If you are interested in purchasing a calendar to help out please Phone 4844 4215.

Sandy Wooderson - Secretary

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JACQUA CREEK LANDCARE GROUP INC

Jacqua Creek Landcare Group continued their creek walk at their September meeting. The day started with a morning tea of cream cake and scones with the compliments of Annable and Barbara and then they walked the creek. Of primary concern was a crossing with an unstable base and bank erosion which can be fixed by rocks on the river bed and staking the banks putting scrub behind and then drilling and planting native plants. Secondly there is an area of bank erosion downstream which can be stabilized with staking bales of hay and back filling with tree compost from windrows on the property. There is also a blackberry problem on this section of creek and they will invite a blackberry expert to speak at a future meeting and although weed control is always the responsibility of the particular landholder, blackberries are a universal problem.

The group is applying for their first grant targeting creek crossings, tree planting and fencing. It is very exciting to see the group emerging as a force in looking after Jacqua Creek. They always finish their creek walks with a meeting and then a friendly bar-b-que. Visitors are always welcome. Their next meeting is Sunday 21st October at 3.00pm. It doesn't matter if your property adjoins the creek or you just want to help. Inquiries phone Sue on 48 444364 or Ken on 48 444234.

Sue Carr - Secretary/Treasurer

Report On 3rd Landcare Catchment Management Form Held At Parks.

30th August – 1st September 2001

Both Keynote speakers, Prof. Mike Archer of The Australian Museum and well known environmental author Eric Roles, certainly raised many questions on the effectiveness of the present environmental controls. The present reserve system, even it was looked after and adequately managed, is far too small to be effective and self sustainable.

The concept of actually using our natural environment, both plant and animals would be far more effective and sustainable than the present system of conserving it. The prime example raised several times by both speakers is the utilisation of the illegal Kangaroo cull. Even if only the present uncontrolled cull was sold for either human consumption or for pet food, the nett return would more than exceed the present grazing returns, less the money which should be spent on conservation. Farming Kangaroos in a range situation with present livestock enterprises is cost effective needing no fencing or maintenance.

Biodiversity is the key to a balanced natural community and this can be best obtained by using natural resources in a sustainable way. In South Africa, where the concept of utilising native animals has been in practice for some years there are now more animals in private game parks than in all of the National Parks and reserves combined. Sustainable use include control culling by game hunters, which has now virtually eliminated illegal poaching of elephants and rhino's etc. Ecotourism, associated with private parks more that compensates in monetary terms resulting in a healthy population maintained at a sustainable level.

Both speakers favor the keeping of native animals for pets, so part of the millions now spent lavished on pet cats and dogs could be spent on natives. This is the best way of ensuring their health and survival. Both, as well as speakers from DLWC and ACF agreed that present farming and urban practices are not sustainable and we have not yet seen the worst of European impact on our fragile ecosystem. No doubt the deterioration will continue, but the challenge is to slow it and eventually reverse it. To say Landcare has not worked is very unfair in a short life span. In fact it has barely touched the edges, but it is a start in the right direction. Salinity, land degradation, loss of biodiversity and loss of habitat will continue for some time, but can be eventually reversed.

New approaches to Landcare recognising it as a ground roots movement are needed, with less regulations and more co-operation. Government have previously set the agenda – the emphasis must move to Catchment Boards and Landcare. Hopefully, this may see the ridiculously restrictive guidelines of NHT and Bushcare liberalised to meet the needs of individual groups. Landcare groups have set their priorities, which should not be directed by Government agencies.

One of the handouts on Conservation Farming "Renaissance of Lanark" is a prime example of sustainable farming and is very significant for farm forestry. Lanark in the Hamilton area of Western Victoria has been converted from a degraded farm to the magnificent property it is today by Conservation Farming, tree planting and use of wetlands. Originally it was one of the Potter Farms, where Landcare had it's origin in the 80's. Tree plantings and restoration works have included 52 hectares of *P.radiata*, as well as natives. There has been an amazing increase in biodiversity with the return of birds and small mammals, as well as increasing production. Remnants of native vegetation have been managed, grazing has continued and from now on an annual harvest of *P.radiata* will compensate for any lost revenue. Surly this should send a message to NHT that natives and exotic can be used together to give a sustainable farm return as well dramatically improve native conservation.



Gardening in October

October is a very busy time garden wise! The worst of the frosts are over and spring flowering trees and shrubs are showing mass displays of blooms. One small tree which is most attractive is the Golden Chain Tree (*Laburnum Vosii*) and it takes 4 or 5 years to reach a height of 3m.

In October some of the climbers come into flower too. The *Clematis montana rubens* makes a magnificent display, requiring only very light mesh to climb over, just make sure the roots are well mulched during the summer as they grow close to the surface.

Vegetable Seeds to sow are: carrots, parsnips, beetroot, peas, cabbage, silver beet, radish, cucumber, zucchini, melons, pumpkins, squash, parsley, capsicums sweet corn, beans, celery and tomatoes.

Tomatoes grow best in a sunny position containing plenty of compost. When planting out new seedlings, apply a dressing of complete fertiliser, high in phosphorous during the main growing season. Fertilise every 2 weeks with a water soluble fertiliser on cool, overcast days or late in the evening. Fertilising during the day can result in the plants being burnt. Most varieties require staking and in our climate, the strongest prevailing winds come from the west to the north. Drive the stake into the ground first, then plant the tomato on the eastern side of the stake, the reason for this is to that the plant is blown against the stake. If planted on the opposite side the plant can break off at the ties. Remember, to increase the quantity and quality of the tomatoes, pruning can be beneficial. Remove the laterals which grow from the leaf base.

Flowers: there are also lots of flowers that can be planted now, some can be used as borders to make any garden look stunning or they can be used in groups to act as pots of colour throughout the garden. By using different leaf textures and leaf colours you can produce a magnificent display in your own garden. Browse your local nursery and colour your garden.

Bulbs: when spring flowering bulbs such as hyacinths, daffodils, jonquils, ranunculus and anemone finish flowering, this is the month to feed them with a complete fertiliser, this assists the bulbs for next years flowers. Remember, leave the bulbs leaves to die down naturally. This also feeds the plant for next year. Bulbs can also be dug up and kept in cloth sacks in a cool dark place until next winter or they can be left in the ground to flower next year.

Birthdays in October

1st Steve Lehmann

21st Beth Walters

26th Peter Davey

27th Cassie Jenkins

31st Alexandra Knight

4th Latham Brook

5th Sherri Bayliss

6th Graham Walters

13th Karl Zymslowski

Birthstone: Opal

Flower: Calendula



HORSE LOVE HEAVEN OR HEARTBREAK



Dreams of horse ownership, enjoyable rides, companionship and good times shared, are only too often crushed through inexperienced equine purchase. For the new horse owner there are as many traps to fall into, as there are fishers in the sea.

Looking for your new equine should be carefully planned, not undertaken on impulse. There is nothing harder for the new owner than being landed with an unsuitable horse, with which everyone in the family has fallen in love but can't do anything with. The dream has turned into a nightmare!

Once the decision is made to purchase, planning should be done carefully, work out the type of things that make a suitable horse for you. Don't let a person selling you a horse change your priorities. Always remember that people selling want to sell, it is often buyer beware!

When you start planning for your purchase, ask yourself some questions, such as,

1. How well do I ride?

If you are just starting off you want a horse that is quiet and accustomed to beginners, not a Grand Prix show horse.

2. How big should my horse be?

This is partly a choice matter; the horse has to be a comfortable size for you both physically and emotionally. Therefore if you are intimidated by a large 17 hand horse look for a smaller one, if you feel your weight is too much for a small horse find one that is of solid build. Needless to say, but if you are sixteen stone and six foot tall you won't be comfortable mounted on a fine little Walsh Mountain pony.

3. Colour and breed?

Once again this is basically a matter of choice, and in general should be way down the list in importance, particularly for the beginner. The dream horse might be a golden chestnut Irish Draught, but in reality you might not be able to find one that is truly suitable to your needs. The ideal beginners horse has no particular breed or colour.

4. How much should I spend?

The biggest trap here is being conned into buying a horse that has higher training than you need. Don't be fooled if you require a beginner's mount, don't be talked into a highly schooled performance mount. Nor should you be talked into a highly priced mare that you could breed from in the future. Prices vary greatly, be aware of the general market prices and your own financial limitations. Always remember that higher price doesn't necessarily mean best horse for you.

5. Should I buy a broken in horse?

In short, if you are a beginner yes. Non-broken in horses are unknown quantities. For the more experienced, this can still have its problems.

6. Equine personality and compatibility.

Try to pick a horse that suits your own personality, if you find "pushy people" hard to handle, having a "walk all over you horse" is not going to work. Now that you have decided what type of horse best suits your personal needs, the task to find the right horse begins. There are several strategies one should adopt to prevent disappointment, when looking at a possible equine.

1. Don't lose sight of your own priorities, even if you take a checklist.

2. Look for signs of unsoundness, poor health and old injuries that may have long-term consequences.

3. Have the horse ridden in front of you.

4. Providing you are happy with the ridden demonstration, try riding the horse yourself. After all you are going to be the one riding this horse.

5. Take an experienced horse person with you, yes this could cost money but it is money well spent. If you are inexperienced you could be fair game to the unscrupulous horse seller. Don't be easy game!

6. If you are happy with this horse try to have it on trial, this will give you far greater opportunity to evaluate its suitability for you. One is normally asked to leave a deposit for any horse on trial. This is only fair, the deposit may not be returned to you in the event of the horse's return. It is better to lose a little money, than end up with a horse that's only a disappointment.

Pleasure horses should be an enjoyable experience, not heartbreak. With a little careful planning, you can fulfill your equine dreams.

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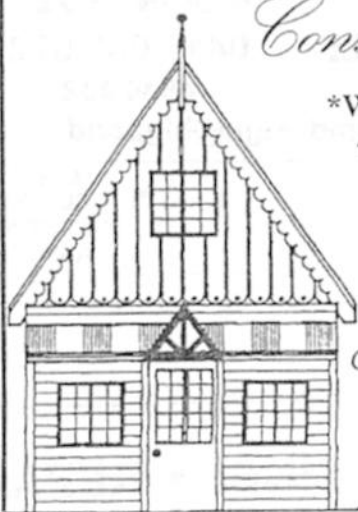
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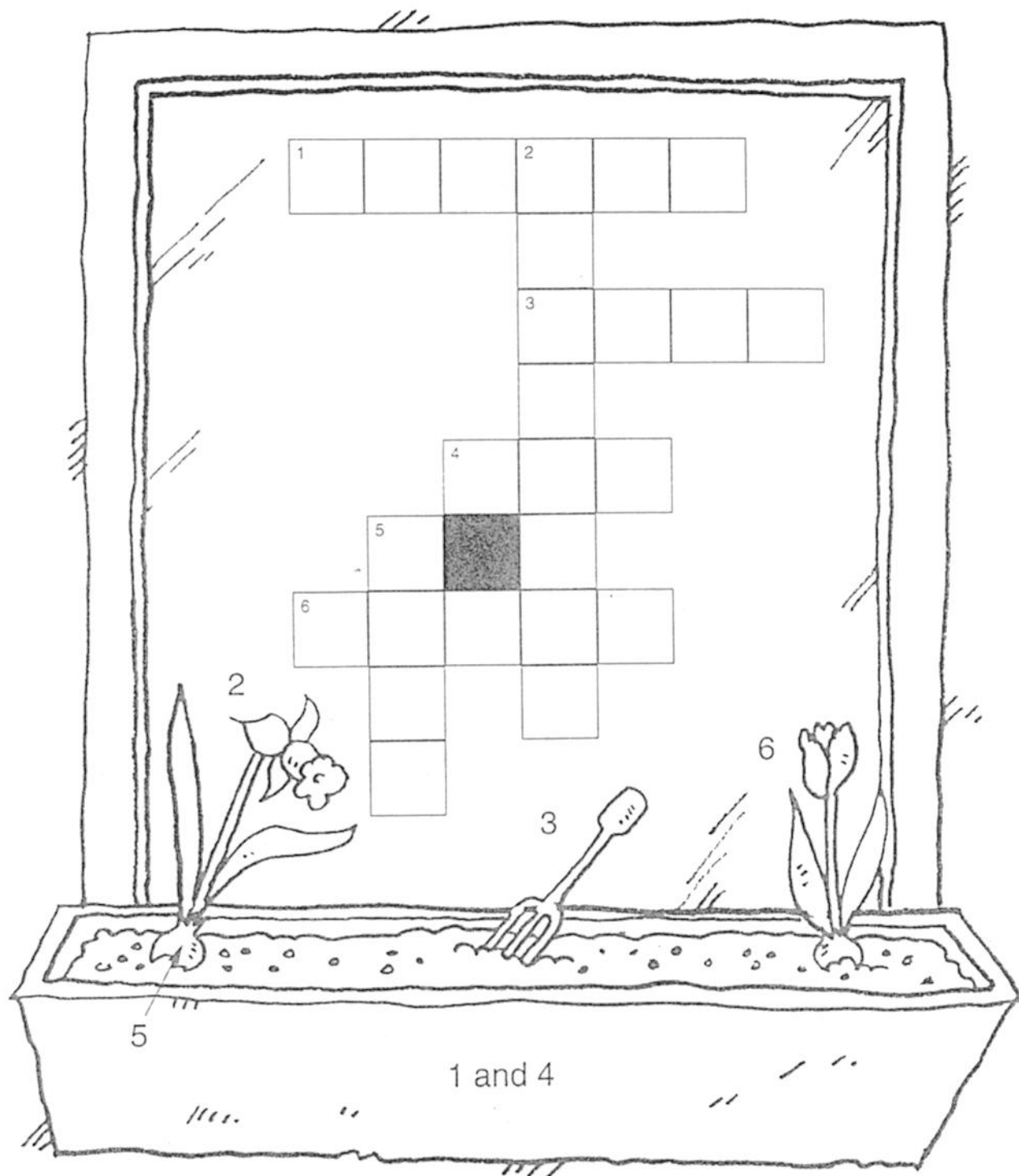
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PUZZLE 11 - Elephant, all the other eat meat

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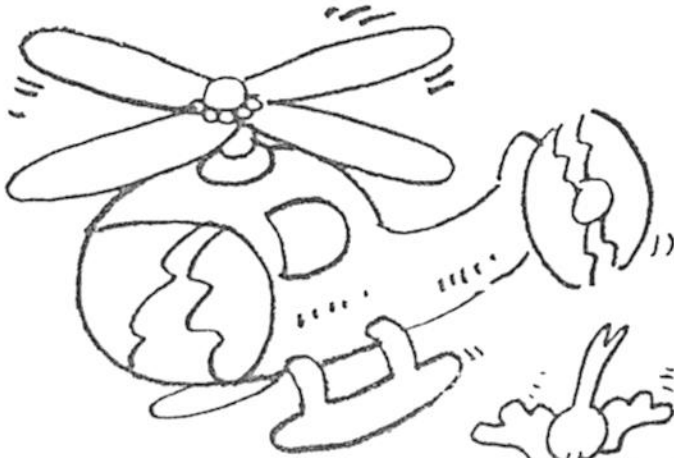
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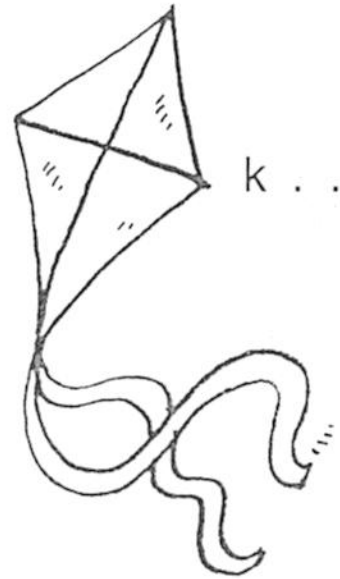


In the sky

You can see all of these things in the sky. Fill in the missing letters, look at the pictures to help you.



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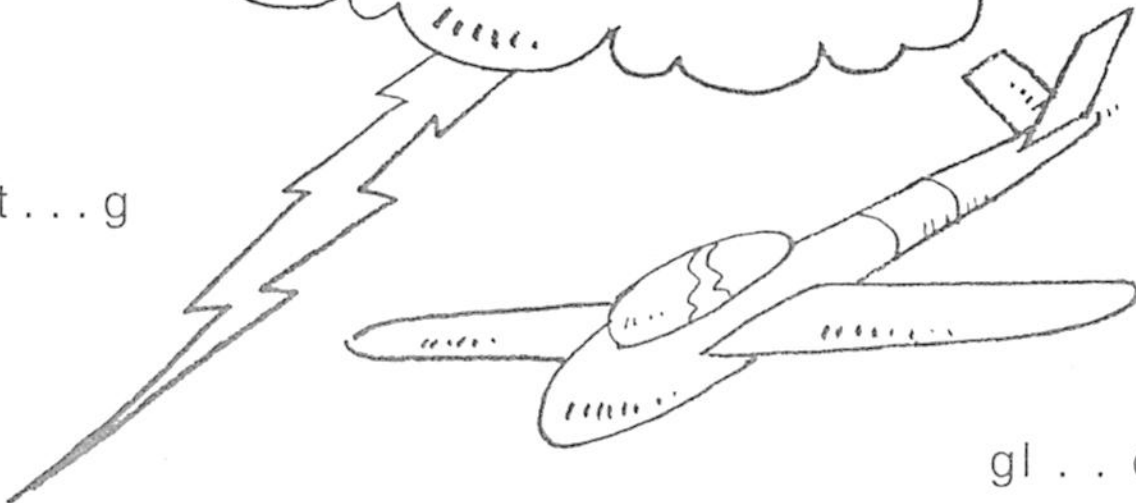
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