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Editorial.

Hi all,

I think we need Kate Landsberry to bring back her Ark before we all sink into the mire.

Love our country - never sure whether to keep the woollies out or the swimmers or the hoses for the fires. Wouldn't swap it for anywhere else in the world. At least we don't get much snow!

Not sure if it is BBQ's out for Christmas Day or a lovely roast indoors. Will prepare for both as I am not sure if my 'lot' are coming up yet.

Diane Willey still has her beautiful calendars in stock if you are looking for a last minute Christmas gift for someone. Not expensive, about what you would pay for a mass produced one, and hers is of the lovely old house of the district, so a keepsake as well. Details on page 23 if you are interested.

Don't forget to vote! Fined if you miss. **Saturday 4th.**

Some more new ads including the Vision Christian Radio again. They will provide more information about their station's programmes in February's issue of Across the Fence. Their band number is 87.6 FM if you want to give them a test run.

Also if you are planning on extensions, new builds or the like, we have a drafts lady new in the area ready to help you out. "Bumblebee Drafting".

There is an article from Council on making appointments if you are concerned about the new Rural Zone Strategy on page 23 and a fuller one on page 24 about what the planning is and the time frame you have to make any complaints, etc.

The rain has made my desert into a jungle overnight and also brought out the ticks. Watch your fur babies for signs of infection. Timidthy has already come in with little nymph bush and cattle ticks on him.

Hope the front page is to everyone's liking. I usually steer clear of religious and political issues with generic Christmas pictures, but I thought, as there is a reason we have Christmas holidays, I would use the lovely little setting that brings that reason to light again.

I hope you have all come through our last ghastly year with no or little affects on your lives. I feel it has reached a point it is going to be something we have to learn to live with, as we did Smallpox, Polio, Pneumonia, Aids and all the other bugs that manifest themselves on systems.

Enjoy a very happy, safe and healthy Christmas with family and friends. It will be strange to get out amongst people without having to account for our whereabouts all the time.

'til next month

Lyn, Tilley Cat & Timidthy



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Markets & Events.

• Bulahdelah	(1st Sat)	4 th	8am to 1pm
• Blackhead Bazaar	(1st Sun)	5 th	8am to 12 noon
• John's River Country	(2nd Sat)	11 th	9am to 1.30pm
• Wingham Community	(2nd Sat)	11 th	
• Myall Quays	(3rd Sat)	18 th	9am to 1pm
• The Hub Taree Showgnd	(3rd Sat)	18 th	8am to 12 noon
• Krambach	(3rd Sun)	19 th	
• NABIAC	(Last Sat)	not on	8am to 12 noon
• Old Bar	(Last Sun)	26 th	7am to 1pm ???
• Pacific Palms	(Last Sun)	26 th	9am to 1pm ???
• Forster Town	(2nd Sun)	12 th	8am to 2pm
• Halliday's Point	(1st Sun)	5 th	8am to 11am -?
• Town Head	(every Mon)		8am to 2pm
• Mt. George	(4th Sat)	25 th	8am to 2pm Xmas ??
• Forster Farmers Market	(3rd Sat)	18 th	8am to 12 noon
• Bobbin Community		— th	9am to 2pm
• Tuncurry Markets	(4th Sat)	25 th	8am to 1pm Xmas ??
• Burrell Creek	(2nd Sun)	12 th	9am to 12.30pm
• Great Lakes Palliative Care	(3rd Sat)	18 th	
• Taree Rotary Book Fair	(3rd Sat)	18 th	7.30am to 12.30pm

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The Taree donor centre is open right through the holiday period. If you are travelling make an appointment to donate at a different donor centre. There are donor centres right across the country. Find the one closest to your destination at <https://www.lifeblood.com.au/donor-centre> or call 13 14 95. Nothing feels as good as being a life saver during your holidays.

If you have O negative blood it is particularly important for you to donate. O Negative is the universal blood type and can be given to anyone in an emergency like those involved in road accidents, when there simply isn't time to find out their blood type. Only nine per cent of Australians have O Negative blood, but it makes up 16% of orders from hospitals because it saves lives in emergencies.

With one in three of us needing donated blood or blood products in our lifetime, the life you save could be that of a friend or family member.

To book a donation visit [lifeblood.com.au](https://www.lifeblood.com.au), call 13 14 95 or download the free DonateBlood App.

Gilly Paxton Group Account Manager



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Nabiac Village Futures Group News



Once again, we've had a busy year for the community members of the Nabiac Village Futures Group. We were able to meet as a group in February, March, April, May and June. Since the June meeting we didn't meet due to COVID distancing requirements. We are now planning our final meeting for the year on 9th December.

Our Nabiac Community Strategic Plan is due to be reviewed in 2022. This will be an opportunity to look at what has been achieved over the past 5 years and to discuss and prioritise our planning for the next 5 years.

Sustainability issues have continued to be of importance throughout the year. Rather than create a separate group to work on Sustainability for Nabiac and the surrounding area we agreed to ask those community members who had participated in the Sustainability surveys to join with the Village Futures Group. It has been a positive experience to welcome a number of new people to our group.

One of the important issues we were involved in this year was the Highway Service Centre developer's proposal to alter the traffic arrangements for the Woosters Lane, Dibbs Street and Pipeclay Creek intersections. Thank you to Amanda Holden and Phillip Costa for addressing the Councilors of MidCoast Council on the danger that would have been imposed on our community if this proposal had been accepted by them, and thank you to Council staff and the Councilors for listening to us.


We also participated in the Council's planning for pedestrian access and bicycle planning. We will be discussing how we can promote more footpaths and cycleways in the town at our December meeting.

The works for Town Creek have been frustratingly slow to happen. There is grant funding and a plan of the works to carry out, the hold up at present is the tendering process. The completion date has been pushed back to mid 2022. Other works to watch for in 2022 include the installation of a water bottle filling station near the children's playground, and the possible installation of a lower speed limit in the Nabiac /Clarkson Streets area around the shops and eating venues.

We wish you all a happy and safe Christmas holiday time.

Louise Collins, Secretary NVFG

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Between the Pages

Nabiac Library News



Welcome to our last newsletter from Nabiac Library and

Across the Fence for 2021. Gosh! Where has this year gone?! It is hard to believe that Christmas and the New Year are fast approaching. It has been a difficult year for us all in so many ways with the ongoing pandemic and the often changing ways on how we can continue to participate in our society. Nabiac Library has not been open as often as we may wish; however we have still been able to access the "Click and Collect" service on Tuesday afternoons. This has proven to be very popular and we all say a big thank you to **Yasmine** and the MidCoast Library staff for providing this service with a smile and hello at the door!

The big news is that after the 15th December 2021 Nabiac Library will be able to re-open; since proof of vaccination to enter will no longer be a legal requirement. Woo! HOO! We can all look forward to that: volunteers, members and staff alike. We have missed you all! Make the most of this small window of time to access this service leading up to our festive season. The shelves have continued to be stocked with new and changing choices. We would love to see you in the coming weeks. Please visit us and say hello and come in to choose your holiday reading for those easy times of kick back and enjoy.

Speaking of festive activities in our MidCoast Libraries... have you heard about the **Elf on the Shelf**? This sneaky little character pops up on shelves across all our MidCoast Libraries leading up to Christmas. You can look out for him when you visit any MidCoast Library or you can just follow him on the Facebook page. He is a tricky character. Where will he be next? Here he is!



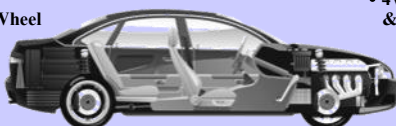
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Summer Holiday Programs

There are some exciting things coming up for our children during the summer holidays.

1: The Summer Reading Club starts on 1st December and it is easy to register on the MidCoast Library website and then you can pick up your pack at your nominated Library. Details below.



The Summer Reading Club is aimed at children aged 0-16yrs and is a great way to enjoy reading throughout the summer holidays while scoring some great prizes along the way!

How to get involved:

- Step 1: Register for the Summer Reading Club at www.midcoastlibraries.com.au
- Step 2: Pick up your SRC pack from your library from the 1st December and start reading!
- Step 3: Get your SRC challenge card stamped each time you complete a challenge. On the 5th stamp you will go into the draw for amazing prizes.
- Step 4: For challenge #3 on the SRC challenge card, pick a challenge from the sheet provided and email a photo to library.events@midcoast.nsw.gov.au. Bring your drawing, story, book review, poem or photograph to your library to get your Challenge Card stamped.
- Step 5: Record the books you read in your reading log.
- Step 6: Complete your reading log and return it to your library up until 15th January to receive an entry into the draw. You can complete as many logs as you like!
- Step 7: Complete your colouring-in page and return to your library for an additional entry into the prize draw.
- Step 8: Receive your invitation to the exclusive Summer Reading Club party.

The Summer Reading Club is brought to you by MidCoast Libraries and the State Library of Queensland and sponsored by Mission Australia and MidCoast 4 Kids.

2. January Holiday Children Workshops at Nabiac Library

Exciting news! Nabiac Library is planning two workshops for children during the summer school holidays in January. Children will be able to explore their scientific nature in our first workshop or develop their creative skills and learn some simple weaving techniques in our second activity. They are listed below. →



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1. Science on the Move – Monday 10th January @ 10am
2. Weaving Owl Craft - Wednesday 19th January @10am

Please go to the MidCoast libraries website and click on the events button to search and register for these activities at Nabitac. All bookings are to be taken online or over the phone and numbers are limited. Get in early to have a hoot of a time! Here is a sample of the owl!



3. Merry Brixmas

This runs from the 1st - 16th December and invites all school aged children to have fun with Lego bricks at home to create a crazy creature. Then you just Email photos of your crazy creature to go into the prize draw. Creature photos will be on the MidCoast libraries Facebook page before Christmas. To register and participate go to: <https://library.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/Events/Merry-Brickmas-from-MidCoast-Libraries-Home>

There is not much more news, except for the long awaited but short-lived re-opening of Nabitac Library, before the festive season! We will hopefully be fully open to the public after the 15th December for our usual hours. Please drop in and say hello! We miss you all!

However, of course we will be closing for the festive season. It is expected that Nabitac Library will be closed from

Thursday 23rd December – Tuesday 4th January, 2022.

Finally, we would like to wish all our members, staff and friends the very best wishes for sharing Xmas and New Year festivities with family, friends and loved ones after a few very challenging years. May the festivities begin and may we celebrate 2022 with new beginnings.

We look forward to new beginnings and seeing you all in Nabitac Library after December.





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Show News

The Committee is excited about delivering a full 109th Show now that we're able to move about more freely.

The support we've received from Sponsors so far has been very positive. Seems everyone is keen to see our community get on with life and have some fun.

We're hoping a positive outcome of all the lockdowns is that there are lots more preserves, handicrafts and completed projects that will make their way into the Hall & Produce exhibits. Let's see if we can have a record entry year.

There will be a number of changes to the program in 2022. Many of you will be pleased to hear of the return of Woodchopping. There will be six events over the day which will mean lots of opportunities to come and cheer on these talented folk.

A new event is being presented in the main ring between the Horse events and the Demolition Derby, a **Tug of War**. It will be a six-a-side competition with a "\$500 Winner Take All" prize. Does your local team need an extra \$500 in its kitty? Well then, get your team together and start working on your strength and strategies. Team nomination details will be released in February.

The consequences of COVID are still presenting themselves in the planning of the Show, particularly with regards insurance. We're working our way through this and hope the effects will be minimal on our day's enjoyment.

Please remember if you are looking for a way to assist your community, helping with the Show is a great option. If you have any ideas, wish to get involved in the planning or volunteer on the day, we're more than happy to hear from you.

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MINIMBAH MATTERS

Minimbah Rural Fire Brigade has had a few interesting callouts this month, to varying types of fires, so we are not simply a "Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade" as we were called when we were formed 40 years ago.

2021 has proved to be a challenging year, but hey, what is life without challenges?

Whilst the restrictions placed on us with regards to holding meetings and undertaking our regular in-house training have tended to dampen our spirits a little, they have also offered opportunities for our members to undertake official training courses and further their knowledge and expertise within the Rural Fire Service. Time very well spent.

Sadly, illness has claimed the lives of several local long-time fire fighters, and we extend our condolences to the families and friends of those people.

Unfortunately, we cannot run on promises so with the unpredictable and unknown restrictions that will be in place between now and Christmas, we have made the decision not to hold our Brigade Community Christmas gathering/party. It's not that we don't want to, it's just what it is. Please accept our apologies and also our thanks for what you all do to keep our community as safe, happy and fire free as we possibly can. It's raining now, but who knows how dry the long grass etc. will be and how hot it will be in February. Maybe a new leaf rake should be on your Christmas wish list. Just sayin'.

Here's a little

SHOULDA, COULDA, WOULD A

hypothetical story for you to think about.

It's that time of the year, when we endeavour to catch up with friends and family before Christmas. Most times it's over a meal or a nice beverage. Sometimes it is pre-planned, but often it can be a "just passing and haven't seen you for ages" opportunity. This is when we might have a simple impromptu barbecue - with our concentration on the people and the food and not necessarily the equipment or surroundings.

The visitors have arrived, the first bevvie has gone down very nicely, the sausages are ready, and the gas BBQ has been lit. How good is this - it's been a while since we had a barbie.

Perhaps you **SHOULDA** checked to see if you have gas in the cylinder. Oh you did. Good. How about the fittings, hoses and the drip tray that caught and collected the fat last time you cooked sausages? Oops! Snags are sizzling, stories are being told, and then the barbeque is on fire. How can this be? We are not trying to paint sausages in a bad light, but oh, the fat from the sausages and chops is not just an issue for our hips.

Thankfully, due to some quick and clear-thinking action, all's well that ended well, but the pulse rates really went up for a while, and it **COULDA** turned nasty.

What **WOULDA** happened if your barbecue was on your wooden verandah, or very close to your house? Is there plenty of clear space around it? Do you have an appropriate fire extinguisher handy? When it comes to fire extinguishers, it's not a case of one size fits all. An electrical fire requires a different type of extinguisher than that needed to calm a fat fire and/or burning oils for instance. Hindsight is a wonderful thing, especially if we **enact of the changes required**. If you need help deciding which type of extinguisher to buy, your RFS District Fire Control Centre or your local fire prevention and suppression equipment supplier will be able to provide guidance.

Don't let this be the Summer of burnt snags, chops and houses.

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We leave you with the reminder that we are in the middle of the Bush Fire Danger Period and Permits are required if you intend to do any burning - regardless of whether it's a small pile burn, or something much larger. Once again, one size does not fit all.

Please call the **Mid Coast Fire Control Centre on 1300 643 262** for information regarding Fire Permits and the contact number of your nearest Permit Issuing Officer. You can give your minimum 24 hours' notice of intention to burn online at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/ **notify**. A phone call, knock on the door or a chat *across the fence* is all it takes to notify your neighbours, so don't forget about them.

Our Brigade really appreciates the opportunity offered by Lyn Reid and her Across the Fence newsletter for us to reach out to our Community. We receive very positive feedback with regards to this form of communication and know that, especially when it comes to "do we, or do we not, need a permit" type of information, some people use the Across the Fence as their "go to" resource. Thank you very much Lyn for what you do, not just for our Brigade, but for the district.

Happy Christmas everyone.

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We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in our community a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2022.

Hoping the New Year brings lots of happiness and good health to everyone and their families.

A very big thankyou to our community who have visited the Op Shop and Shed since the current Public Health Orders were put in place on 8th November, 2021, with following the conditions of entry and showing respect to our volunteers.

These conditions will remain in place until 15th December 2021 or until 95% of NSW is fully vaccinated.

DONATIONS:

Please do not leave donations at the front door as it makes entry into the Op Shop very difficult and a Safety issue for the volunteers opening up of a morning.

If your donations won't fit in the donation bin please bring them in during Op Shop hours.

Thankyou for your co-operation and understanding.

SHOP:

We will be having a \$5.00 bag of clothing sale from 2nd December to 18th December, 2021. The sale does not include priced clothing and denim jeans. So come on in and grab yourself a bargain.

All of our wonderful volunteers have been busy restocking our summer collection of clothing including swimwear, dresses, skirts, shorts, tops, shirts for adults and children. Also we have a lot of second hand school uniforms for Nabiac Public School and surrounding schools. Please call on 6554 1876 if you are looking for a particular school uniform to see if we have it in stock.

We are still stocking light winter clothing. Summer and Winter clothing are stocked all year round.

There is a large range of glassware including crystal glasses, vases, beautiful glass bowls and serving trays and lots more. Large range of bedding, towels, tablecloths and lots of crafty supplies including wool and material. You will find some Great items for ideal Christmas presents.

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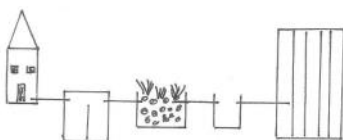
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Our Christmas decorations have been put out and selling at a very low price.

You just never know what treasures you might find.

Christmas Closure:

Nabiac Op Shop will be closing early on Friday 17th December 2021 at 11.00am for our Christmas Party.

We will be open Saturday 18th December 2021 from 9.00am to 12.00pm which is our last day for 2021 and reopening Monday 10th January, 2022 at 9.00am.

Please hold any donations until we reopen on the 10th January, 2022.

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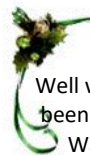
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WALLAMBA CWA REPORT



Well we are nearing the end of another year and finally we have been able to enjoy a more relaxed November meeting of Wallamba CWA Branch. President *Margaret Weller* welcomed 13 members to the Nabiac Village Community Church Hall where members still observed the regulations but we were able to sing the National Anthem again.

Three apologies were received and following the opening formalities, members paused to remember departed family members and friends including the passing of *Greg Shanks*, husband CWA State Member *Ruth Shanks*, *Edith Cavanagh*, friend of Secretary *Pam Muxlow*, President Margaret's Aunt *Gladys Anderson* and well known Stage, Radio and TV personality *Bert Newton*.

This month's thought was provided by member *Merle* and was **"True happiness is when you make someone happy"**. President Margaret will supply December's thought.

A number of items of correspondence were attended to re the MNC CWA Group Conference and AGM held in Port Macquarie on 19th October, 2021. President Margaret, *Beth* and *Jill* represented the branch and gave us a report on the various matters discussed.

Our Branch International Officer *Penny Britton* represented the Branch, as our International Officer and Cultural Officer, at Group Cultural day which was hosted by Gloucester Branches on November 4th at their rooms.

Penny spoke about the guests speakers on the day and the topics presented.

A special beautiful red rose has been created by Swane's Nursery to mark the 100th Centenary Anniversary of the establishment of New South Wales Country Women's Association in 1922. A number of members are looking at purchasing the rose bush.

The Branch again has received letters from the three local public schools, i.e. Nabiac Public School, Coolongolook Public School and Krumbach Public School advising of their end of year presentations with a request for support towards their student prizes.

Newly elected Treasurer *Jenny Ang* presented her first report in this office and detailed the accounts financial positions held by the branch.

Our International Officer *Penny Britton* as always gave us a fascinating verbal presentation on this year's Country of Study Malaysia and at



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this meeting Penny concentrated on Sarawak which is Malaysia's largest state on the island of Borneo. Some of the things we learnt were that Sarawak has 45 national parks, five wildlife sanctuaries and 15 nature reserves. The Semadang River is a great kayaking adventure, whilst if you hike up Mt. Murud you may see some proboscis monkeys.

There are 27 ethnic groups in Sarawak including the Iban tribe, which has long ceased headhunting but still maintains many of its traditional customs and ways of life. Orang-utans are sacred to the Iban and their jungle home of Batang Ai is the best place to spot the great ape. Penny told us a great deal about the country and this included a flower species *Rafflesia arnoldii* – a huge native flower of Sarawak which grows up to 3ft (1 metre) across and can weigh up to 11 kgs..

We are studying Malaysia because the 30th World Triennial Conference of ACWW is being held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 17th-23rd, May, 2022.

Merle gave her Handicraft report and said how the members had a fun day at her workshops learning how to make Japanese flowers, learning how to fold and sew different patterns. Some of the ladies took their work home and as a result member *Moya* brought hers to the meeting – it was a beautiful pink and white water lily or was it a lotus blossom – whatever it was, it was very pretty. Mary's suggestion of memory brooches was taken up and *Merle* is going to organize a day in March to do them.



Merle is going across to Dubbo during November to conduct a workshop in beading and has her fingers crossed Covid doesn't raise its ugly head again as this is the 3rd try at holding the workshop.

We didn't have an Ag & Environment report as member *Coral* was absent with appointments etc.

Cookery segment was given by *Beth Brewster* who explained the rules connected with Land Cookery judging in readiness for the next cookery competition in conjunction with the Friendship Day to be held at Wauchope??? in 2022 - which will be confirmed at the

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Penny gave us an update on Cultural segment following the Group Day at Gloucester and said she had enjoyed the various speakers on the day with their topics of photography and painting which are items members can enter Competitions at Group and State Level. Two other speakers read some poems on "Rodeo" whilst a Macksville member presented a power-point segment on how her Great Grand-mother was alive during the Spanish flu and compared this with the Covid19 epidemic we are currently experiencing.

December meeting on Tuesday 14th will be the last for 2021 and following it, members will gather at the Nabiac Pub for lunch.

2022 will be a hectic time as the Branch is to host the Group Council Meeting and Handicraft judging on 28th February & 1st March, followed by World Day of Prayer on Friday March 4th. This will then be followed by (hopefully) the Wallamba Show and then at the end of

March the 25th will see the Branch celebrate it's 58th birthday as well as the Centenary (100 years) of CWA of NSW.

As this is the last report for the year, on behalf of President Margaret and members, we would like to thank Editor Lyn for all her hard work and dedication in compiling this great publication "*Across the Fence*" and extend to her Season's Greetings and may she enjoy the break with family and friends.

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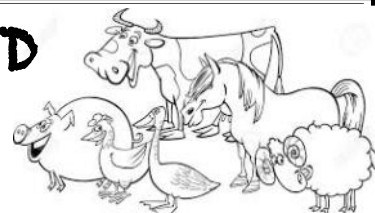
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Nabiac Landcare volunteers are still working at the Lilypilly Bend reserve doing follow-up weeding and some clearing of larger privets and camphor laurels left during earlier working. We will be winding down for our summer break after our AGM and Christmas party in mid-December. Don't be surprised if you do see some of us in the bush on our regular Wednesdays during the break if the weather isn't too hot and humid. The weeds are enjoying the current warm humid conditions and putting on a major growth spurt. If you have a Maderia Vine problem –be warned it loves this weather.→



Several of our members have recently taken part in a workshop, Resilient Regeneration, hosted by Karuah & Great Lakes Landcare and conducted by two experienced local bush regenerators, *Peter Dixon* and *Peter Gollen*. The workshop emphasised the importance of understanding and assessing your site before going on the attack. It is amazing how much natural regeneration can occur if there are seed stocks in the area that can be carried by birds, wind and water. Of course, issues like serious erosion and noxious weeds need to be addressed but wholesale clearing of weedy areas can result in opening your area to more serious weed invasion. Planting and subsequent follow-up care is very labour intensive, why do the work if the birds will do it for you? Lastly, what do you want to achieve? Most of this area has been modified by man over thousands of years, starting with burning regimes used by the indigenous population, harvesting of favourable species by early timber getters, major clearing for dairy farming and now, management (or lack thereof in some cases) by hobby farmers.

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Remember, even if you can't help in the bush, you can do your bit for our lovely area by removing weeds from your own backyard and removing fruit and seeds from exotic plants that the birds and wind will spread. Most of all enjoy the local bush!

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BUNYAH NEWS

This Issue of Bunyah News is a Snapshot for all Bunyah & surrounding areas, of what we do and have done recently; we look forward to meeting you at our Hall.

It has been some months since we have had any News to share and we have now held our first Bunyah Hall Committee Meeting in 6 months, due to the COVID restrictions and the uncertainty of any planned functions proceeding.

Since our last Meeting in May, one of our long serving committee members **Yvonne Arnold**, has had to go into Care due to health issues. Yvonne was always on our Functions Committee and her biggest joy was Christmas & New Year celebrations at our Hall; she was part of our Tennis Group and as such, was involved in our Cancer Council/Palliative Care fund raising for 21 years where we achieved the status of **'Highest Fund Raisers of North Coast NSW' for 3 years running** with a cumulative total of **\$62,390.80; \$5,704.25** went towards an Accuvein detector for use in Palliative Care at Manning Hospital. Yvonne was part of our Group who were nominated for an **'Australia Day Award' in 2019**. On behalf of our Hall Committee and our community, I extend our sincere thanks for Yvonne's contribution to our many successes and achievements.

Our Library is undergoing a revamp in 2022 under the guidance of committee members **Brian Hart & Carla Hart**; this was a project that we hoped to get underway before this year's end, but with lockdowns and having to travel to Sydney to source the shelving plus some other work now required inside the Hall as a result of the building being locked up without any use for months. When this work is done, we can start to utilise our Hall and its' great facilities so that we can welcome back our community for social occasions.

We have held **Anzac Day and Remembrance Day Services at our Cenotaph** this year and hope that with the high influx of new people who have purchased properties in Bunyah and surrounding areas that they too, come along and enjoy what we have to offer locally.

In January, we will hold an **Australia Day Breakfast** which will present an opportunity for new & local residents to come together and celebrate your new surroundings and to meet up and find out what



we have to offer. Please keep an eye on our Sign hanging at the road-side in front of the Hall with details of any Functions. Hopefully, we get the opportunity before then, to celebrate Christmas & New Year in the usual Bunyah way depending on whether the work inside the Hall is completed.

Tennis is available on a gravel surface which we have played on for years and former residents played on for decades. Although Council has a Notice displayed that 'Play is at Your Own Risk', we have done so safely. So come along and enjoy the 'sensation' of a real country Tennis Court. It's not all about playing on the best looking surface, but it's the camaraderie of those you meet and the relaxed friendliness of everyone who plays. We always welcome new people so come along and give it a try, play your own game and enjoy the company. We play on Wednesdays 9.00 am till 12.30 pm and the Court is available for hire at other times. There is lots of laughter, good morning teas, great birthday cakes and celebratory lunches when you reach a new Decade in your life.

When tennis is affected by rain, we play Table Tennis in the Hall which is a riot in itself!

There is also an **Art & Craft Group** run by *Beverley Calder* who will help you to create a 'work of art' that you thought not possible. If Art is not your 'thing' you can bring along any type of craft or whatever is your forte and work on that; it's particularly good if you have a few 'UFOs' (unfinished objects) of whatever craft and you can now finish them. In 2019 the group made a variety of 101 red poppies to adorn the Tennis Court Fence for Armistice Day and they now adorn a framework which hangs in our Hall; each year another poppy is added including purple for the animals who died. This Group meets every first & third Friday of the month; they also have AI Fresco painting days out in the lovely countryside. Start time is 9.00 am till noon with morning tea.

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Our Hall has always played a significant role within our community and it will celebrate its' Centenary in 2026. Welcome to all of our new residents, be you full-time or part-time, we look forward to meeting you!

New comers to the Bunyah area are very welcome to join the **Rural Fire Service Bunyah Brigade**, there can never be too many Volunteer Fire Fighters. Please **contact** Brigade Secretary, **Grahame Watson**, on **6559 1647** for further information.

Here is a snippet of happy news!

A lovely Garden Wedding for **Craig Cardy & Stacey McLoughlin** took place at their beautiful property in Bunyah on 12th March, 2021. The weather was perfect which fitted between all the rain we received in February, March & April. Congratulations to you both, we all wish you the best that life has to offer!

Craig is our Solo 'Volunteer Lawn Mower' at the Hall now, having been part of a Group of 7 Volunteers for a number of years, but understandably, work commitments must take precedence over these duties and as such, we would appreciate some new Volunteers to ease the burden on Craig. We have our own Ride-on Mower, Whipper Snipper, Petrol; Council Parks & Gardens come out and give you a 'run through' of the equipment plus provide hats & hi-viz vests. Mowing is more frequent during Summer, but you do it at your convenience unless we are having a function at the Hall, then we want to look at our best!

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Maintenance needs are often on our agenda and this year has been no different. We have again been focused on the roof, the plumbing, the trees in the carpark, repairs to the OP Shop donation Bin, and to the side verandah. Upgrades to the premises have included installation of security cameras, installation of LED lighting, purchase of a new fridge for the commercial kitchen. We've also set up a new lease agreement for our commercial kitchen and reviewed our cleaning costs.

Local groups that we connected with this year included Nabiac Tennis Club, Mid North Coast Community Quilters, the Nook, Nabiac Farmers Market, Nabiac CTC, Karuah Great Lakes Landcare, Nabiac Community Garden, Nabiac Landcare, and Nabiac and District Pre-school Association. We've also been consulting with the Hallidays Point Lions Club, Wallamba District Agriculture and Horticulture Association and MidCoast Council.

We wish you all a safe holiday season and look forward to a busy year in 2022.

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The Wallamba Watershed's History — Another in a series of historical articles gleaned from the archives of the "Manning River Times, May, 1944 by Bob Mann

WILLINA - AUGUST, 1944: After a lapse of some time racing was revived at Willina on the 22nd July when a meeting in aid of the District Red Cross was staged. Although the weather was far from good for some time prior to the race day, energetic members of the committee contrived by much hard work to have the course and necessary enclosures in first class order. The large crowd which attended was amply catered for at the luncheon and soft drink stalls where the local ladies worked throughout the day dispensing luncheon and refreshments. The booth was presided over by Mr *Gallagher*. The entertaining programme of events and liberal prize money attracted a large number of entries and some exciting finishes kept the crowd interested throughout the day. The success of the meeting was due in no small measure to the efficient way in which the various officials carried out their duties in support of the local committee men. Mr *A Nosworthy* as stipendiary steward was eminently successful while Messrs *A. Tagg* (starter), *Stuart Murray* (clerk of course), *George Stevens* and *P. Tattersal* (handicappers) rendered yeoman services. Mr *Ron Legge* assisted at the gate while Mrs *L. McGuire* of Coolongolook aided the ladies in the cool drink stall.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING: Mr *Justice Lynch*, of High Street, Taree, at the weekend visited his property at Bunyah. There he saw where a tree had been struck by lightning some days before. He states that the tree had a circumference of about 3 feet 6 inches and all that remains of it is the stump about 2 feet above the ground. The balance of the tree was split into small and big pieces and some of the latter had been hurled at least 300 yards. About 200 yards away he had his valuable blood mare. He informed us some of the pieces, weighing hundred weights, were hurled at least 300 yards away and the small paddock in which the mare was, had been strewn with limbs and timbers but the animal had a marvellous escape. Mr. Lynch says the tree was an exceptionally sound one. He considers his blood mare had a wonderful escape by which he is exceedingly fortunate.

JUNIOR FARMER CLUBS— WALLAMBA DISTRICT: At a meeting of the Wallamba District Council of Junior Farmers held at the Nabiac Public School on Friday night. The chair was occupied by the President Mr *D. Hancock* and other delegates present were Messrs *Digby*, *Paff*, *Eastern*, *McGuire*, *Young*, *Worth* and *Bignall* and part time supervisine (?) *Osmond* (Secretary) and *McGuigan*. The business of

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the meeting was confined to the selection of judges, officials and stewards and arrangements in general for the forth coming Junior Farmers Show. A welcome was extended to a new delegate Mr *Easton*.

THE WALLAMBA DISTRICT A & H ASSOCIATION - SEPTEMBER, 1944:

A committee meeting of the above association was held in the Society's room on Saturday night 2nd September. The President, Mr *R. Milliken*, occupied the chair and the following members were present. Messrs *J.E. Gorton* (acting Secretary) *A. Everingham*, *M. Holstein*, *H. Croker*, *W. Breckenridge*, *J. Fenning*, *A. Mullens*, *M. Schneider*, *T. Cornell*, *C. Beisler*, *H. Aryan*, *G.A. Campbell*, *D. Hancock*, *R. Brown*, *W. Digby*, *J. Nixon* and *J. Startin* (Treasurer). Before proceeding with the business of the meeting the President made a feeling reference to the death of Mr *H. Miles* of Forster who was one of the founders of the association. A motion of sympathy with the relatives was moved and carried by all standing. The main object of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of holding a show in 1945. After a short discussion it was unanimously decided to hold a show on the 12th and 13th April, 1945. The President said no tenders had been received for the position of secretary and Mr Gorton had agreed to carry on if extra money was paid to enable him to employ an assistant if necessary. Mr *M. Holstein* moved and Mr *H. Croker* seconded that an additional £12 be added to the Secretary's salary. Carried. The Secretary asked if something could be done to eliminate the issuing of entry tickets for ring events with the exception of stock drafts as in the past he had to issue entry tickets to every competitor and sometimes up to ten to the one man for the one class. As all competitors holding members tickets competed free he did not see the advantage of this old method which involved the Secretary and stewards in a lot of unnecessary work as well as expense to the society. After considerable discussion it was decided on the motion of Messrs *Breckenridge* and *Beisler* that all entry tickets be eliminated for ring events with the exception of stock drafts where an entry fee is charged. Mr *Startin* moved and it was seconded by Mr *Hancock* that the schedule be adapted as it stands and a special class be added to the pig section for saddle backs. Carried. On the motion of Messrs *Fenning* and *Holstein* it was decided to call tenders for the printing of the schedules from three local papers. Apologies were received for non attendance from Messrs *R. Harwood*, *J. Breckenridge*, *W. Weller*, *H. Deer*, *J. Sambell*, *V.G. Ayoul* and *R. Weller*.

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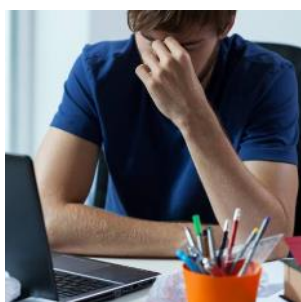
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Market news

What a year it's been! In fact, what a huge few years, with flood, drought, fire and "that other thing". The admirable resilience of our community has been tested and tested again.

In a bush fire, we pull together, however a challenging past eighteen months of the virus, has at times, seen our community morph into divisiveness and confusion.

Some people have been greatly impacted, others not so much. We all need to remember, that for every individual, the pandemic has meant something different, and each of us has experienced it in our own way.

We all need a huge dose of compassion, understanding and empathy to get us through the next phase.

Our new coordinator, *Andrew Richardson*, and the market committee have navigated a variety of challenges and rules, to best meet the community's needs. They have done an amazing job of managing our Farmers' Market and are excited to continue nurturing the market during 2022.

We hope that you all continue to find ways to refashion your lives, continue to adjust and stay positive. We greatly appreciate all our customers, stallholders, and people in the community who make our local market a hub of goodness. I am proud to play a small role in this amazing committee.

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STALLHOLDER FEATURE: Pat. Good Ol' Mum's preserves...



Pat has fashioned a satisfying career creating preservative-free pickles, jams, and relishes, driven by a desire to make natural products for her children. All Pat's products are gluten, preservative and additive-free.

Pat's preserves business began near Forbes many years ago, when she was inspired by the local berries and burgeoning fruit growing in the orchards of the Lachlan Valley, and the good news

spread fast along the bush telegraph!

Pat moved to Forster, for a change of scenery and her love of cooking with quality farm fresh fruit, vegetables and berries continued to blossom. She has been sated by her bubbling pots of award-winning preserves in her kitchen ever since

Pat is a dedicated market vendor, attending several markets each month, along the NSW coast.

Her wide range of delicious products continue to delight customers throughout NSW and beyond.



Visit the website: www.goodolmums.com.au for the online shop, product info, stockists, and information about the markets Pat attends with her wide range of products, which include pickles, jams, relish, salad dressings, sauces, balsamic vinegar, and marmalade.

Are you local? Do you grow produce, or make your own hand-made products? Become a stallholder and be your own boss! This is a great way to make some extra \$\$\$ and be a part of the market community.

Now is a fabulous time to consider holding a stall at the market.

There's plenty of time to grow and create before the next market on Saturday 29th January.



We wish everyone in our community a fabulous festive season.

For Stallholder applications, go to the website www.nabiacfarmersmarket.com and download the vendor information forms; call: 0422 177 122. Or Email: nfmcommittee@gmail.com
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Season's Greetings, Happy Holidays & Merry Christmas everyone.

My favourite part about Christmas is the meal with family and friends. The people in our family have a mix of differing tastes! This

year there'll be some pasture-raised duck, seafood on the BBQ, local oysters, and plenty vegetarian fare.

RECIPE – STUFFED PUMPKIN



This stuffed squash recipe pairs beautifully with all the Christmas food - faves. It's easy and can bake away whilst other foods are being prepared.

1 whole small pumpkin
Half an onion, finely chopped
1 carrot, finely chopped
Lentils – soaked/boiled (1 tablespoon)
Garlic
Mushrooms
Pecans or pine nuts
Feta or goat's cheese
Pepitas
Salt, pepper, nutmeg

Pre-heat oven to 180c/ 350f. Halve the pumpkin/squash. Scoop out the seeds and save. Bake the halved squash for around half an hour. Bake the seeds on a tray for approx. 20 mins on 150C (300F)– toss through favourite oil and spices. They can also be baked undressed. Turn them over halfway through. It's a good idea to turn the oven down and bake these between cooking times for the stuff pumpkin.

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Add half tsp brown sugar and cook for a further few minutes.
Add the sliced mushrooms, and garlic. Season with salt & pepper & nutmeg. Add the drained lentils. Mix everything together with the feta. Spoon desired amount into the 2 halves - pressing the mixture inside - and top with the pumpkin seeds & nuts. Optional, top with grated cheese. Bake in the oven for a further 30 mins.

The Natural Space news:



New website launch! I'm excited about recent updates to the website – check it out! Details below

Healthy Eating guide: “Eat Well Be Well”.

Coming soon! “Eat Well Be Well”, guide to healthy eating. My business partner, *Beth Reading* (owner of My Pilates Time) and I have been busy developing our guide to healthy eating. It's an online course, so it's easy to do at your own pace. We'll keep you posted when it's ready to launch! The ethos is centred around eating a balanced diet, rich in fresh, healthy produce.



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Well sports fans, after a period of feverish activity we are currently in the equivalent of the ocean doldrums.

The two main football codes (I'll talk about the Rah Rahs shortly and who knows what the round ball folk are doing) have had their grand finals and there's a lull as some players get patched up, others change teams, still others call it quits and retire or, because they're currently not under a coach's strict control, do stupid things in public. There's James Tedesco with his drunken shouting of *squid games* at or near a young girl in Sydney! To the best of my knowledge (and that's not much) it appears there is a TV show out of Korea that is supposed to be *popular* but it appears (and I could be wrong) you are set a challenge and if you fail there are dire consequences (I read in one report, you paid with your life). Its little wonder the young lady says she was fearful. And then there's the AFL player Jordan De Goeij who took off for Texas (I think) to get in some extra special training for next year. Fine, but the next we know he's been arrested in a New York nightclub for *forcible touching of a woman* and has then assaulted a man who came to the lady's aid! What do these idiots do with their brains?

As for the Rah Rahs/cross-country wrestlers/Rugby Union/*Wallabies* they're in the UK at the moment trying to maintain the high standard of competitive play the *Wallabies* have delivered in years gone by. But there's a problem. The standard of Rugby played here in Oz over the last few years is no where even close to that delivered by teams of just a few years ago. I'd like to be able to tell you why this lack of talent/ability has come about but I can't because I don't know. But so far on this tour they've been thumped by just about everybody. To make it just a little more hurtful (if that's possible) they were belted by England at Twickenham t'other night and England is coached by (wait for it) Eddie Jones. He was born here in Oz, learnt the game in Sydney and used to be the *Wallabies* coach until there was some kind of falling out and he was fired. He got the England coach's job and has them firing.

As a country we seem to do that far too often.

We had a very good soccer coach in Ange Postecoglou but we didn't treat him all that well and off he went to test his coaching ability first in Japan (where he did very well with Yokohama) and then he got the coaching job at Celtic in the Scottish League and he's doing very well

there, thank you very much! What we've been left with is Graham Arnold and his team is in trouble. Just a day or so ago (I'm writing this tome on November 18th) the team drew with China and that's dropped them to third in their Group. The first two teams go into the World Cup and the rest have to fight it out with other Group's *just missed out* teams. It does not look good.

On the other hand, *The Galahs*, in spite of what they've shown us over the last twelve months, came home strong in the T20 World Cup Final in Dubai on Monday morning (the 15th) and chased down the New Zealand score with a few balls to spare. No, there was no under arm bowling this time (as happened in 1981) just good bowling and even better batting. The players (or at least some of them) from the English team and *The Galahs* then boarded an aircraft back to Oz to get ready for The Ashes series here.

And speaking of The Ashes series, the selection of *The Galahs* team is hotting up. Yes, the players in Dubai did well but that was T20 and while there will be some of those games played here this summer, the main focus will be the Test series and that's a very different game. Players in the Sheffield Shield and Big Bash series are putting their cases for selection right now and none is pushing harder than Usman Khawaja: he's been scoring runs like a demon. He was in our Test side several years ago but for reasons I'm not exactly sure of, he was dropped. Though now I think about it, it may have been something to do with his poor batting. Anyhoo, many old cricketers pen columns for various arms of the media these days and Ian Chappell (aka *Chappelli*) certainly does. In one he penned recently, he mused that Usman should be overlooked because he'd failed as a batter before (or words to that effect) but Usman is made of sterner stuff. He replied: *Chappelli's not even the best player in his family. So if I'm going to take advice, I might take it from his younger brother. Greg Chappell is a legend. Ouch! That's got to hurt!*

And then there's Carlton's Liam Jones who's decided to retire rather than have the required COVID 19 jabs, like you and I've had. And *The Storm's* Nelson Asofa-Solomona - who's got tattoos up the whar Zoo - but is so far refusing to get his COVID 19 jabs! And No jabs = No play. Go figure!

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MidCoast Council draft Rural Strategy appointments

In response to community requests, Council's Land Use Planning team will be available for individual appointments to discuss the draft Rural Strategy at the Nabitac Showground Hall on **Tuesday 14th December, 2021**. Bookings are essential and can be made by calling **7955 7777**.

The draft Rural Strategy is available on Councils website <https://haveyoursay.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/know-your-rural-zone> and the team are seeking feedback until **4.30pm on Friday 28th January 2022**.

Alexandra Macvean
Senior Land Use Planner

KRAMBACH HALL HAPPENINGS

HALL MEETINGS: Monday following the Krambach Markets each month at 3.00pm. Next meeting on **Monday 20th December, 2021**. **Volunteers and Committee members welcome to join.**

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Cheers,

Lea xxxx

Leanne Scurr

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Over the next couple of months we will be doing some minor renovations and moving things around; hopefully this won't cause any inconvenience but in case it does, I just want to thank you for your patience in advance.

Finally, I want to publicly thank Lea for all the help and encouragement she has given me while I have been off training and learning the ropes. We will all miss having her kind and happy face around.

Kind regards

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MidCoast Council

→ While a welcome relief for some, heavy rainfall across parts of the MidCoast region has taken a significant toll on the local transport network.

Motorists are urged to take extra care on damaged roads as Council's road crews undertake temporary repairs in the worst hit areas. Along with repairing potholes caused by the recent wet weather, crews have also been clearing debris and removing fallen trees, and will continue to assess the condition of the region's roads over the coming days.

Council says it's important for the community to understand that while potholes are a constant problem, filling them is only a temporary fix because reconstructing roads is a much larger operation that requires long term planning and more importantly, funding.

"This kind of persistent rain over a period of time brings all our work to a halt and when we already have a backlog, it unfortunately sets us back even further," explained Daniel Park, MidCoast Council's Manager, Operations North.

"We know some people are upset when they see us patching the road, but this is the best temporary solution to improve safety on our roads in the interim."

"We are aware that the condition of our roads has been heavily impacted by the weather over the last few days, and we're doing our best to try and make them safe again, first and foremost. We're asking people to be alert to changing road conditions, slow down, and to



Get to know your rural zone

The MidCoast community is being encouraged to consider a range of proposed changes to the way the region's waterways, rural and environmental lands are managed, with feedback invited on the draft Rural Strategy until 28th January 2022.

The draft Rural Strategy sets out a proposed framework for clear and consistent land use planning principles to sustainably manage the use of land and water resources outside of the region's towns and villages. Rural landholders and others who haven't yet had an opportunity to understand how the proposed changes might impact them are encouraged to make an appointment with Council's Land Use Planning team.

"The draft strategy applies to land and resources that make up more than 95% of the MidCoast region, so it's important for us to hear from our community", explained Council's Director of Liveable Communities, Paul De Szell. "To ensure everyone has a chance to provide feedback, particularly given COVID restrictions were in place when the exhibition began, we have extended the consultation period out until late January 2022".

Face-to-face appointments are now also being offered in a number of rural locations over the next four weeks, as well as the opportunity for phone appointments..

Consultation opportunities are also available for community and interest groups, whether that's a presentation in person or virtually.

To request information or a presentation on behalf of a community or interest group, email rural@midcoast.nsw.gov.au to discuss how Council's land use planning team can best work with you. Phone appointments can be arranged at any time by calling 7955 7777.

The draft Rural Strategy is open for feedback until 4.30pm on Friday 28th January 2022. View the draft strategy and related materials at www.haveyoursay.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/know-your-rural-zone where you can also make a submission.

Appointments are also available at Council's Administration and Customer Service Centre in Taree.

Bookings are essential, by phoning 7955 7777.

Regional pools set to reopen on 15 December

MidCoast Council is preparing to open unstaffed pools from 15th December (or when the State reaches the 95 per cent vaccination rate) in line with expected changes to the Public Health Order as outlined in the current NSW Government Roadmap

The pools are ready to open and welcome swimmers as soon as the current NSW Government Roadmap comes into force, Council's Director of Liveable Communities, Paul De Szell said.

"We have been unable to open pools at Nabitac, Stroud, Krambach, Bulahdelah and Tea Gardens to the general community as we haven't been able to meet the current requirements."

The pools have been available to local swim clubs, subject to them holding their own COVID-19 safety plans and insurance.

However, come 15th December/95 per cent vaccination rate, it is expected the Nabitac, Stroud, Krambach and Bulahdelah pools can open to the general community, as QR code check-in will no longer be required based on the current NSW Government Roadmap.

"We are very pleased to be able to open all our pools to the community from 15th December, in time for the holiday period," Mr De Szell said.

To stay updated on opening dates and times of local swimming pools, visit www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/Recreation/Find-a-Facility

For information about restrictions that are currently in place across the MidCoast, visit www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/limited-restrictions.

observe roadside signage which may be in place to indicate where roads are worst damaged," he said.

"We're also encouraging people to let us know of any damaged roads they come across, as this helps us prioritise repairs and divert crews to the appropriate areas."

"With one of the largest road networks in NSW we face a significant challenge, but we want the community to know we are aware and we're doing our best."

To report damaged roads or debris, complete the online 'report and request' form on the Council website, www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/report or call 7955 7777.

TWO \$25 DINE AND DISCOVER VOUCHERS LAND IN TIME FOR SUMMER

The summer holidays just got even better for residents in the Myall Lakes, with two additional \$25 Dine & Discover vouchers rolling out for eligible customers from today. (26/11/21)

Member for Myall Lakes, Stephen Bromhead said the NSW Government's \$250 million program expansion, announced as part of the \$2.8 billion economic recovery package, means new applicants will receive three Dine NSW and three Discover NSW vouchers, while existing customers would receive one of each.

"Whether it's going out for dinner, catching a live show or visiting a wildlife park, we're helping more and more people explore our great backyard while supporting businesses who have done it tough this year," Mr Bromhead said.

"The additional vouchers will help NSW businesses grow and thrive this summer, while encouraging people to support their local cafes and restaurants."

More than 15,000 businesses and 4.8 million customers have registered for the Dine & Discover NSW program, with almost \$276 million vouchers used so far.

"The two new \$25 vouchers will ensure we end 2021 with a bang and provide a much needed boost for businesses right across New South Wales as we head into a revitalised 2022," Mr Bromhead said.

Accessing the new vouchers is simple and they are available in the palm of your hand.

"We have made receiving vouchers for individuals even easier, with the additional vouchers appearing automatically in the Service NSW app, via SMS or email for existing digital customers," Mr Bromhead said.

"Dine & Discover NSW vouchers will start appearing from today in the Service NSW app with all delivered by early December. Current digital customers do not need to reapply to receive the extra vouchers."

Customers who don't have access to digital vouchers can opt into a new call and collect delivery method. All customers need to do is to call Service NSW on 13 77 88 from 3 December, nominate their nearest Service Centre and in three business days they can collect their paper vouchers.

Participating registered businesses do not need to re-register, while those who want to join the program are encouraged to sign up now, download the Service NSW for Business app and get ready to redeem. NSW residents aged 18 years and older who are yet to apply will be able to do so until the program ends and will receive all six \$25 vouchers.

Dine & Discover NSW vouchers can be used seven days a week, including public holidays, and are valid to 30 June 2022. More information:

nsw.gov.au/covid-19/business/financial-support/dine-discover-nsw



Financial statements to go on public exhibition

MidCoast Council's draft financial statements for 2020-21 will be placed on public exhibition in December.

This follows this week's meeting of the elected Council, which resolved to re-sign the statements as part of the NSW Audit Office process.

The NSW Audit office will now finalise the Audit process and prepare their Audit Closing Report. Following that the annual financial reports will be lodged with the Office of Local Government, and then placed on public exhibition.

The statements report a consolidated net operating result for the year of a \$37.077 million surplus.

"Given the many challenges faced by Council and the community over the 2020-21 financial year, particularly in relation to COVID-19 and a major flooding event, this is a solid result for Council," according to General Manager, Adrian Panuccio.

"The statements indicate Council is in a stable financial position and has a good base on which to build its long-term financial sustainability."

The statements also confirm that the challenges of managing a backlog of renewal works across our roads, bridges, footpaths and community assets remain, Mr Panuccio said.

"This is a long-term issue that existed prior to merger and Council is working consistently to reduce this backlog through ongoing programs funded by rate revenue and grant funding through State and Federal Government programs."

MidCoast Council's financial statements have been through a detailed audit process. They will go on exhibition for comment from the community following submission to the Office of Local Government. It is expected this will occur in December, before the Auditor presents to the newly elected Council in February.

"Our financial position is scrutinised and audited externally to ensure transparency in our financial management."

The statements also revealed MidCoast Council delivered over \$94.8M million of capital works for the community during the financial year.

"This financial result is evidence of our commitment to delivering services for our community," Mr Panuccio said.

MidCoast Council is responsible for the management of \$3.6 billion of property, plant and infrastructure assets.

Voting early in upcoming Council election

While the upcoming Council election will take place on Saturday 4th December, MidCoast residents can vote early by attending their nearest pre-polling venue from 22nd November 2021.

The details of the 80 candidates who are in 13 groups, along with one individual candidate, can be found on the [NSW Electoral Commission website](#).

For voting on election day, polling venues will be open from 8am to 6pm. Visit the NSW Electoral Commission [Find my Electorate](#) webpage to find your nearest venue.

Early voting can be completed at pre-poll venues, by post, and online or by phone. See the [NSW Electoral Commission website](#).

Anyone on the electoral roll can pre-poll vote from 9am to 5pm on Monday 29th November to Friday 3rd December 2021.

The NSW Electoral Commission will conduct pre-poll voting from the following five venues:

- ♦ Manning Uniting Church, 29 Albert Street, Taree
- ♦ MidCoast Council Gloucester Council Chamber, Railway Street, Gloucester
- ♦ MidCoast Returning Officer's Office, 4 Breeze Parade, Forster
- ♦ Tuncurry Memorial Hall, 7 Point Road, Tuncurry

The deadline for returning postal votes is Friday 17th December at 6pm.

iVote applications and voting will also open on Monday 22nd November. To check your iVote and postal voting eligibility, and how to apply, head to the Electoral Commission's [Voters](#) webpage.

Councillors elected in December will serve a reduced term of 2 years and 8 months after COVID-19 caused the 2020 election to be postponed.

The poll declaration is planned to occur between 21st and 23rd December 2021, while the Mayor and Deputy Mayor elections are planned to occur on 12th January 2022.

For more information, head to <https://www.elections.nsw.gov.au> or call 1300 135 736.

EARLY WORKS START ON \$60 MILLION HARRINGTON COOPERNOOK OVERPASS

Planning is moving ahead for an upgraded intersection on the Pacific Highway at Harrington and Coopernook roads, with survey investigations underway.

This \$60 million project is funded by the Australian and New South Wales governments on an 80:20 basis.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Barnaby Joyce said the Australian Government has committed \$48 million towards the project.

“A grade-separated interchange will improve safety and traffic flow at this location, which has had seven crashes in the past six years resulting in one fatality,” the Deputy Prime Minister said.

“It’s the next stage in improvements after the full duplication of the Pacific Highway and I welcome the work being carried out to progress the design for this upgrade.”

NSW Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Paul Toole said the Coopernook to Herons Creek section of the upgraded highway opened to traffic in July 2010, improving safety for through traffic and locals alike.

“With the final section of the Pacific Highway duplication opening to traffic in December last year, the next logical step is to improve safety at intersections which open directly onto this busy route,” Mr Toole said.

Federal Member for Lyne Dr David Gillespie said the overpass was a high priority project for local residents accessing the busy M1.

“About 5,000 vehicles move through the intersection each day and the overpass is essential to keeping local motorists safe,” Dr Gillespie said.

“Traffic counters are being installed and surveyors are carrying out early works to develop the concept design, which is expected to be displayed for public comment next year. I’m thrilled to see work underway on such a significant safety improvement for our region.”

State Member for Port Macquarie Leslie Williams said the Australian Government’s commitment of \$48 million to this project will deliver better safety outcomes for the North Coast community as well as tourists and freight operators.

“This work will ensure better traffic flow, reduced congestion and improved travel times for the local community and other motorists moving through this major intersection in the North Coast,” Ms Williams said.

“After the community raised safety concerns with me, I’m pleased to say that this grade-separated interchange will improve road safety for all road users, ensuring local road users can join the highway more safely.”

Transport for NSW will engage a contractor in the first half of the year to continue developing the concept design for the intersection improvements and start work on the Review of Environmental Factors (REF).

Some of the investigation work used to help inform the concept design and REF will include traffic modelling, drainage, road and structural designs, as well as environmental studies including biodiversity and flooding studies.

Transport for NSW will continue to keep the community informed about progress on this important work. More information is available at <http://nswroads.work/pacifichighway>

Paddy took 2 stuffed dogs to the Antiques Roadshow.....
“Ooh!” said the presenter, “This is a very rare breed, do you have any idea what they would fetch if they were in good condition?”
“Sticks.” said Paddy.

Step 5: for the fire ready programme Make sure your animals Get Ready

Caring for the important animals in our lives during emergencies is part of the Get Ready planning for MidCoast residents.

“Whether you have pets or small animals, you need to care for horses and livestock, or you want to ensure you’re caring for wildlife during emergencies, preparing an animal emergency plan is the next step in our Get Ready program,” said Mayor David West.

“Emergencies can occur suddenly and planning for your pets and animals keeps everyone safe.”

A one-page animal emergency plan will take you just a few minutes to prepare, and can save you valuable time if an emergency happens, and keep your animals safe.

“The plan includes preparing a ‘grab and go’ bag with pet and animal essentials, ensuring you have crates or containers plus transport to move your animals if required, and identifying the place you will take your animals in an emergency.”

You can download the one page animal emergency plan at haveyour-sav.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/getready and find more information there or visit getreadyanimals.nsw.gov.au

“If you have livestock or horses, you will need to prepare in more detail to look after your animals during an emergency. There’s detailed information for you to follow to prepare for emergencies at getreadyanimals.nsw.gov.au.”

“Although native wildlife can be severely affected during emergencies, the message from the NSW SES is you should never enter emergency zones during fires, floods or other disasters.”

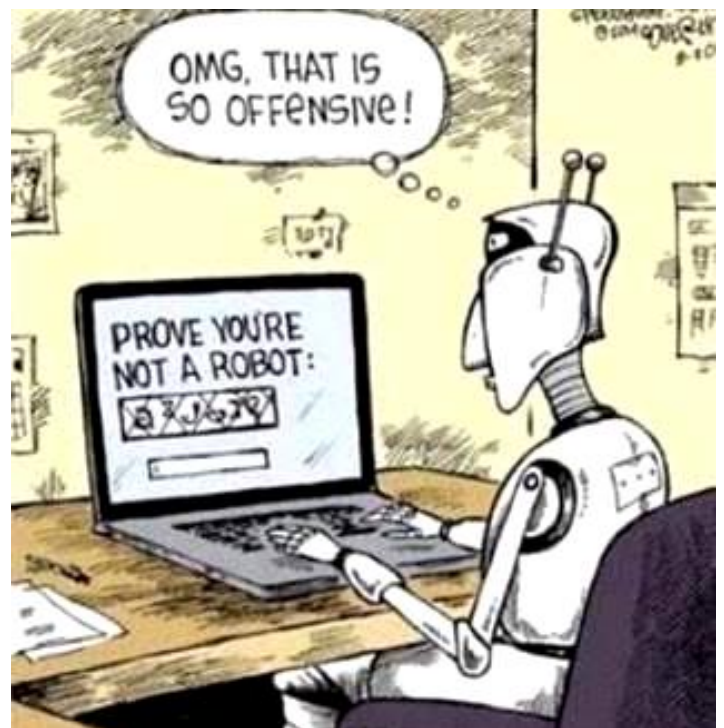
These areas are extremely dangerous and your life and the lives of emergency responders can be put at risk. In addition, some animals are venomous, dangerous, or may be carrying diseases that are life threatening to humans.

Even after the threat has passed there are hazards that can affect your safety.

Specially trained personnel from Government agencies and wildlife response groups enter the impact zones to check on surviving wildlife. They have the correct protective clothing and the required training to be safe.

If you find wildlife impacted during emergencies, please contact [WIRES Australian Wildlife Rescue Organisation](http://WIRES.AustralianWildlifeRescueOrganisation) on 1300 094 737, or [Wildlife Rescue Australia](http://WildlifeRescueAustralia) -on 1300 596 457.

If you are recovering from last year’s bushfires, please visit the link above or call 7955 7777. If reminders of the bushfires are causing issues for you, please call the Mental Healthline on 1800 011 511.



A man suffered a serious heart attack while shopping in a store. The store clerks called 911 when they saw him collapse to the floor. The paramedics rushed the man to the nearest hospital where he had emergency open heart bypass surgery...

He awakened from the surgery to find himself in the care of nuns at the Catholic Hospital. A nun was seated next to his bed holding a clipboard loaded with several forms, and a pen. She asked him how he was going to pay for his treatment.

"Do you have health insurance?" she asked. He replied in a raspy voice, "No health insurance."

The nun asked, "Do you have money in the bank?" He replied, "No money in the bank."

Do you have a relative who could help you with the payments?" asked the irritated nun. He said, "I only have a spinster sister, and she is a nun"

The nun became agitated and announced loudly, "Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God."

The patient replied, "Perfect. Send the bill to my brother-in-law."

We are still battling with COVID-19 and the next thing is here already.

Virologists have identified a new Nile virus - type C.

It appears to target those who were born between 1930 & 1970.

Symptoms:

Causes you

To send the same message twice.

2. To send a blank message.

3. To send a message to the wrong person.

4. To send it back to the person who sent it to you.

5. To forget to attach the attachment.

6. To hit SEND before you've finished.

7. To hit DELETE instead of SEND.

8. To SEND ???

Yes, it is called the C-NILE virus!

And if you cannot admit to doing the above, then you have obviously caught the mutated strain — **the D-NILE virus.**

A pair of Siamese twins walk into an outback bar in Australia and park themselves on a bar stool.

One of them says to the bartender, "Don't mind us; we're joined at the hip. I'm John, he's Jim. Two Fosters beers, draft please."

The bartender, feeling slightly awkward, tries to make polite conversation while pouring the beers. "Been on holiday yet, lads?"

"Off to America next month," says John. "We go to America every year, rent a car and drive for miles. Don't we, Jim?"

Jim agrees.

"Ah, America!" says the bartender. "Wonderful country ... New York, L.A, Vegas ..."

"Nah, we don't like that American crap," says John. "Meat pies and Fosters beer, that's us, eh Jim? And we can't stand the Yanks with all their political rubbish these days!"

"So why keep going to America?" asks the bartender.

"It's the only chance Jim gets to drive."

Three men were sitting together bragging about how they had given their new wives duties at home.

The first man had married a woman from Georgia and had told her that she was going to do dishes and house cleaning. It took a couple days, but on the third day, he came home to a clean house and dishes washed and put away.

The second man had married a woman from Arkansas. He had given his wife orders that she was to do all the cleaning, dishes, and the cooking. The first day he didn't see any results, but the next day he saw it was better. By the third day, he saw his house was cleaned and the dishes were done, and food was on the table.

The third man had married a girl from Texas. He told her that her duties were to keep the house cleaned, dishes washed, lawn mown, laundry washed and hot meals on the table for every meal. He said the first day he didn't see anything, the second day he didn't see anything, but by the third day the swelling had gone down and he could see a little out of his left eye, enough to fix himself a bite to eat and load the dishwasher.

Betty and Tim die in a car accident on the eve of their wedding.

In Heaven, they ask St. Peter if they can still be married.

"Well, let me find out if this is possible. Stay here and I will be right back. "Six months pass and Peter returns. "Yes, we can do this for you."

The couple asks, "Well, as we have spent so much time together waiting for your answer, we need to know that if things don't work out, is there a possibility that we can be divorced?"

To which St. Peter answers, "It took me six months to find a priest up here how long do you think it will take me to find a lawyer?"

"Would you like anything on your chips?"

"Does it cost extra?"

"Ten pence."

"All right, I'll have four sausages and a steak pie."

Dear Santa, This year all I ask is a Big Fat Bank Account and a Slim Body.

PLEASE, don't mix up the two like you did last year



A bit naughty.

A woman asked her husband if he'd like some breakfast. "Would you like bacon and eggs, perhaps? A slice of toast and maybe some grapefruit and coffee?" she asks.

He declines. "Thanks for asking, but I'm not hungry right now. It's this Viagra," he says.. "It's really taken the edge off my appetite."

At lunch time, she asks if he would like something. "A bowl of soup, homemade muffins, or a cheese sandwich?" she inquires.

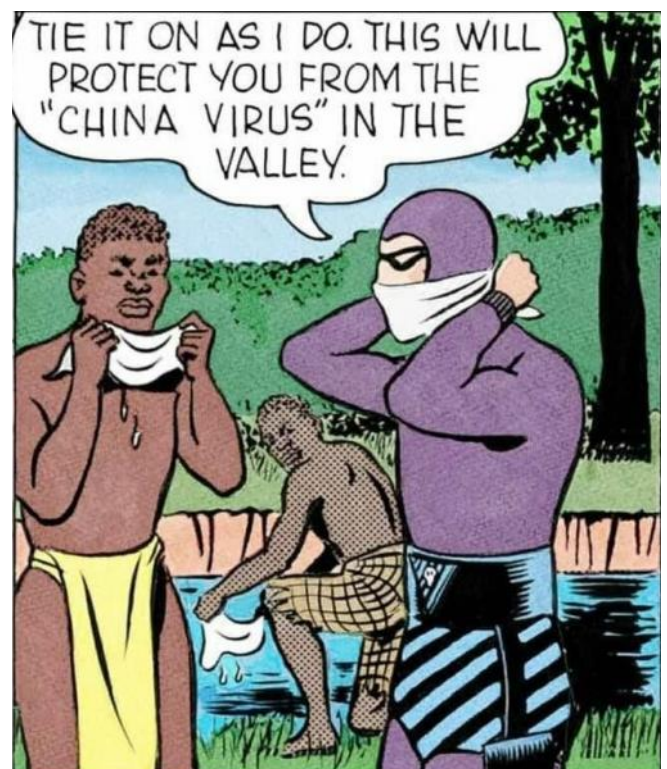
He declines. "The Viagra," he says, "really trashes my desire for food."

Come dinnertime, she asks if he wants anything to eat. "Would you like maybe a juicy porterhouse steak and scrumptious apple pie? Or maybe a rotisserie chicken or tasty stir fry?"

He declines again. "Naw, still not hungry."

"Well," she says, "would you mind letting me up? I'm starving"

Would you believe, this comic was published in 1957?



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A 105 year old woman's remedies to her health

"For better digestion, I drink beer. In the case of appetite loss, I drink white wine. In the case of low blood pressure, I drink red wine. In the case of high blood pressure, I drink scotch. And when I have a cold, I drink Schnapps".

"When do you drink water?"

"I've never been that sick!"

I got so drunk last night I walked across the dance floor to get another drink and won the dance contest.

Just loved these photos. How would you like the first cat to sit on your lap? The look on the dogs face is just great - kid bites dog! And some one like to share all the goodies with her friends, rather than drink her milk alone.



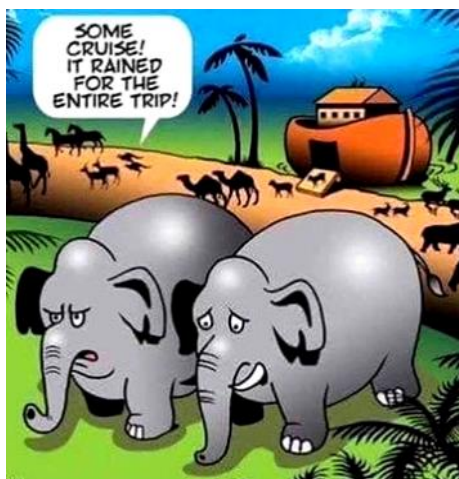
Stick a Turkey leg in a sneaker and let your dog patrol your yard



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MISO GLAZED SALMON WITH BROCCOLINI & SUGAR SNAP PEAS

INGREDIENTS

450g Sunrice Long Grain White Microwave Pouch
4 portions Skinless salmon fillets (about 200g each)
1/4 cup White miso paste
1/4 cup Brown sugar
1/4 cup Mirin
3 tsp Light soy
2 tsp Ginger, finely grated
2 medium Cloves garlic, finely grated
1 tbs Water
2 bunches Broccolini
300g Sugar snap or snow peas
1/4 cup Chopped spring onions
Handful of picked coriander or parsley leaves

METHOD

1. Cook the rice following packet instructions.
2. Place the salmon fillets on a baking tray lined with baking paper. In a bowl, mix the miso, brown sugar, mirin, soy, ginger, garlic and water until smooth and brush generously over each piece of fish. Grill on 150°C on the second to top shelf of oven for 8-10 minutes, basting more miso on every couple of minutes, until the salmon is cooked through.
3. At the same time bring a medium saucepan of salted water to the boil. Blanche the sugar snap or snow peas and the broccolini for only a few seconds, then quickly run them under cold water so they stay nice and crisp.
4. To serve, divide the meal into 4 portions. Microwave the remaining glaze in a small bowl for about 40 seconds and pour over the vegetables, then garnish with spring onions and coriander.



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Netball n Nabiac



The Wallamba Netball Club became an incorporated body in May 1993 but had been operating as a club for many years prior to that date; playing first in the Taree competition and then switching to the Great Lakes Netball Assn at Boronia Park in Forster. Over the years the club has had many successes, introducing many kids to the wonderful team sport that is netball, developing a host of outstanding players who went on to become skilled representatives at NSW state level; we have also fielded competitive senior sides and fun filled adult social teams.

In 1997 we were the most successful club in the GLNA, with 5 teams in the Grand Finals.

However like all clubs operating in small towns we are subject to fluctuating fortunes; in 2007 we had 5 teams, in 2008 there were 2 and none in 2009.

We resurrected in 2010 with 3 teams, building to 8 mid decade, then 5 and in 2019 we had 3 teams; sadly for the third year in a row our teams were defeated in Grand Finals and the bitter disappointment led to a mass exodus of players into retirement or other sports.

For the past two seasons we have not been able to secure sufficient registrations to fill any teams.

The GLNA offers a Saturday competition commencing in March and running through to September; for girls and boys from 4 to 10 years there is a **Netsetgo programme**; the under 6 *Netters* enjoy an off court fun and skills based programme, the under 8s *Setters* do likewise but they play games with modified rules, goalposts and time frame and the under 10s *Goes* participate in a competition, again with modified rules. The club needs to fill teams for the under 8s and 10s.

Junior age competitions are offered for 11 to 17 year olds and a range of grades are offered for seniors; including social grades for adults who just want keep fit, have some fun and enjoy netball.

Boys can participate up until the age of 12. Once your registration fee is paid the only other cost is for uniforms.

Our club is in a very healthy position, with a healthy bank balance, equipment and training facilities at the Nabiac tennis courts and once we are again in competition we should be able to regain a slot in the Nabiac Hotel raffles schedule.

We will be holding our AGM in January so if there are families out there who would like to get themselves or their children into the wonderful world of netball please come along. AGM details will be published on our Facebook page, or if you would like further info ring me on **0412 656 859**.



Gerry Ryall, President.



Newspaper item!

PASSENGERS travelling first class on British Airways Boeing 747 are worried about a re-design which means some lavatories have windows

A woman travelling to New York complained there were no blinds.

She was told by a stewardess,
"Madam, if some pervert is clinging to
the side of this aircraft at 35,000 feet
they deserve to see everything"

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Welcome to Debs Gardening,



Retirement, some people love it some hate it, me I love it. More time for the vegetable garden and experimenting. I have always wanted to raise my own seeds again, which I always did when I was a full time tomato grower back in the day and one of my secrets to successful germination was "Planting by the moon phase". Now that I am newly retired there is no excuse, I have the time to sow my own seeds again and follow the moon cycle.

As a guide vegetable that bears crops above ground such as tomatoes, corn, watermelon, zucchini, lettuce, capsicum should be sown in the waxing stage (from the new moon to the full moon) and best in the 2nd quarter which is the week before the full moon.

Root crops such as carrots, potatoes, asparagus, beetroot, onions, turnips even flowering bulbs should be planted in the waning stage (full moon to the new moon) and best in the 4th quarter which is the week before the new moon.

Some vegetable seeds should be sown direct into the soil such as - carrots, pumpkin, zucchini, watermelon, peas, beans and cucumber because they don't like their roots disturbed but any other vegetable can be sown in punnets and be transplanted.

As I said I have time to experiment - I have been very frustrated of late because the seeds that I have sown directly in the ground have not germinated - either it be ants, birds, or mice. I planted a row of beans and only 2 germinated. My carrots, not one germinated.

The past waxing stage was the time for me to plant the above ground crop, so I thought I would out smart those pests and raise the seeds in egg cartons (once they germinate you divide the cells and plant straight into the soil, the egg carton breaks down and roots are not disturbed). What a success, the sunflowers germinated in 2 days. The zucchinis, beans, cucumbers, pumpkin and watermelon germinated in 3 days. I thought I had the perfect spot to raise the seeds, at the end of the shed on a table. I was wrong the birds found them and pulled them all out, back to the drawing board. So this time I covered them with wire netting, thinking they were birds. Still the right moon phase they germinated again quickly but now the mice's turn. I am a determinate woman, they weren't going to beat me but by this time we are passing the waxing and heading into the waning stage, so I persisted and covered them with plastic trays. It has been just over a week but I can see that they are just starting to germinate now. So planting by the moon cycle does work. It is now time to sow the carrots and beetroot but this time in my new seedling propagator kit which I bought on line and has just arrived. Determination and persistent does pay off in the end.

With the hot summer months fast approaching it is time for me to get on top of the mulching to minimise watering, suppress weeds and

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retain the moisture in the soil now that the rains are here and the soil is wet.

Also it will be time to spend with my family and my new baby granddaughter and of course, with school holidays not far away, my older 2 granddaughters spending holidays with Nan and Pop. We can have fun and be creative, making garden ornaments, wind chimes with whatever recycling material we can find. I am looking forward to the Holiday season.

So on that note, Merry Christmas everyone and may the coming season be kind and the opportunity to pause and reflect on the important things around us.

Until next time stay safe.

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**CHRISTMAS NEW YEAR
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*CHRISTMAS EVE

FRIDAY 24 DECEMBER 6 P.M.

This is a Christmas Carols Service, followed by Holy Communion for those who wish it. It is a Family Service for all denominations.

There is a Holy Communion Service at 11 p.m. at St Albans Forster.

*CHRISTMAS DAY

SATURDAY 25 DECEMBER

There will not be a service at St Pauls. For those wishing a service on this day, St Albans Anglican Church Forster has a service at 9 a.m.

*SUNDAY 26 DECEMBER

Services at St Albans Forster at 8:30 a.m. Traditional and 10 a.m. All Age. Please note there is no service at St Pauls on Boxing Day.

Normal services at St Pauls will resume on Sunday January 2 at 10 a.m. with a cuppa afterwards!

Hope to see you at one, or all, of these services!

Many blessings for a Holy and Happy Christmas with your loved ones!

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Christmas Spirit

'How would you define the Christmas spirit? Would it be a friendly smile between strangers, the sound of familiar carols, a tree with twinkling lights, brightly wrapped packages or just that good feeling you get this time of the year? None of these elements quite captures the real meaning of the phrase. They might describe feelings we have in response to the commercialisation of Christmas ... which itself distorts the **real** meaning.

Perhaps we think of peace ... but this probably ends up being the hustle and bustle of preparations for visitors. The first Christmas was not peaceful. In the past I considered camping on our mountain for 2 weeks to avoid Christmas ... quite an uncharitable attitude. Although it's an appealing thought to get away from the stress and problems of real life, in fact it was 'into the **real** world that Jesus came ... into the city where there was no room and into the country that Herod, murderer of innocents, was king.'

Maybe it's taking one of many opportunities to volunteer at events ... one I know of is Christmas dinner for the disadvantaged at Gloucester and you may know of others as well. Some churches make up and deliver hampers or meals. A few years ago I read about a dinner event at Stockton Beach for the less fortunate, and thought what a great experience of volunteering it could have been for my teenage grandchildren in Newcastle.

One of the activities of the charity, Samaritans Purse, is sponsoring 'pack a shoebox' for children in poor countries ... other charities like the Salvation Army etc. supply meals. There are many charities which help people. These kinds of activities help show the Christmas spirit of giving time, thought and care to do good to others ... wherever the need, *Micah 6:8*.

In 1945 the first peacetime celebration held in New York harbour consisted of an armada of warships which hosted 1,000 needy children and presented them with gift wrapped coats and woollen caps.

At Christmas in 1818 a vicar in Austria had written a new song and it had been set to music. However the church organ broke down and so

the song was sung to a guitar. When the man came to fix the organ and heard the new song he took a copy of it to his village where four daughters of a glove maker learnt it and began singing it all over the region. So through a broken organ, God chose to bless people all over Austria, and eventually the world, with the carol Silent Night.

God wants to bless us and He has the perfect gift for us... perfect because we can't earn it, it is offered by grace and received through faith, *Romans 5:15*. It is the gift of salvation and it is available to anyone willing to accept it. The God of heaven and earth laid aside His divine glory and became our servant by dying on the cross for our sins ...what an amazing thought. The Bible 'encourages us to duplicate that same mind of service to others, *Philippians 2*.

That's the true Christmas spirit!!

May your Christmas be blessed and filled with true spirit.



The Counsellor

Quotes from ourdailybread.org

Remember if you want to know what is happening in NABIAC, just look it up on the web - nabi.ac.com
If you want to advertise an event, visit the web site and click SUBMIT

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News From The News

NABIAC Community Church

Services are held every Sunday at 10:00am
Holy Communion is celebrated with the service on the 3rd Sunday
For information regarding the NABIAC Community Church please contact Margaret **Weller** (6554 1212), Jill **Hammond** (6555 7747)

St Bernadette's Catholic Church, Krambach

December Mass times are Saturday 4th at 6:00pm - Saturday 11th at 6:00pm - Saturday 18th at 6:00pm & **Saturday 25th at 9:00am** (contact **Helen Legg** on 6559 1211)
January Mass Saturday 1st at 6:00pm (not sure of that one)

Krambach Bible Church (a ministry of Wingham Presbyterian)

A Family Service is held on the **every** Sunday of each month at 11am. All dominations welcome to join in. Any enquiries please phone **Robert** (0400 310 357) .

St Paul's Anglican Church, NABIAC

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Christmas Eve Holy Communion 24th at 6:pm

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Hello everyone,

Well, here we are at the end of another year. It's amazing.

Firstly, I would like to congratulate *Jess* and *Haylan* on the birth of a beautiful and healthy boy, *Brian Dean Smith*, born on the 4th of November. They are all doing fantastically. Jess will return to work in January next year.

Nak and Arbre have some amazing Christmas packs, so pop in and have a look. Gift vouchers are also available for that special someone.

Barb and I are working until December 23rd and we will return on January 4th.

We would like to thank all of our wonderful clients for their continued love and support throughout such a turbulent year, it is sincerely appreciated. We hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a great start to 2022. Enjoy family, friends, great food and the ability to travel. Stay safe and well.

"I don't want much for Christmas. I just want the person reading this to be healthy, happy and loved."

Belinda 😊

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