

WINDELLAMA PROGRESS ASSOC. HALL Inc.



The Car Boot Sale, run in conjunction with the monthly markets was quite well attended. The weather was perfect and the visitors were happy with their bargains.

Our focus is well and truly on the Field Day, with preparations well in hand. Bookings for sites are coming in steadily, with many repeats as well as some new ones. We hope all tastes will be catered for.

We have organised a working bee for Wednesday 5th October to get the grounds in order. If you are able to help, even for a couple of hours, we shall be there from

9 a.m. You will be most welcome. We are also looking for help on the Friday before the field day to set out the grounds. If you are able to help the pay is not great, but the meals are.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 17th October at 2 p.m. All members of the community are welcome.

Frances Knights - Secretary

Windellama SES First Aid & CFR

Another month has raced by, with our team having had a few varied types of activities to attend. It is gratifying to witness the professional way the "team" tackles each case.

Asthmatics and Hay Fever sufferers, should be especially aware of their individual medication requirements, and carry them at all times. This is certainly shaping up to be an acute season for both allergies.

We are still hopeful of running another course in Nov. this year, so young ones in our district, please give it some thought.

Drive safely.

Regards Kevin Muffet,

Team Leader,

Windellama S.E.S / C.F.R.

Windellama Historical Society



The Spring Creek excursion is on **8th October 2011 - weather permitting.**

...Book now so you don't miss out, \$12 each, under 16 free.

This year we have a great raffle prize, it's a Prima 18 Bottle Wine Cooler, great prize thanks to Chuck Mulkins for the donation. Tickets are available at the Museum on market days and on the day of the draw - 8th October, or contact one of us for your chance to WIN.

If you are attending the excursion in October would you please ring one of us to book in, as there will be limited numbers, contacts below.

Our next Meeting will be Friday 2nd September at 2pm - all welcome.

We now have For Sale **Wild Windellama** by Carina Clarke available at the Museum - \$15.00 for volumes 1&2.

The museum is open on Market Days – the third Sunday of each month, from 10am. There is a selection of Windellama local history books by Tom Bryant and books by a local poet, Rex Hockey, for sale in the museum as well as bookmarks and postcards with images of early Windellama.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

For any enquiries please contact:

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Rainfall Stats

16th AUG to 15th SEPT



Rosewood , Windellama Road, Windellama	63 ml / 7 days
Amaroo , Roberts Road, Windellama	67 ml / 7 days
Gar-Den , Oallen Ford Rd, Windellama	63 ml / 10 days
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SEAFOOD SUNDAY From 6pm



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The Budjong Creek Chain-of-Ponds

Driving along Sandy Point Road immediately south of the Oallen Ford Road junction you may have noticed work taking place alongside the Travelling Stock Reserve (TSR). The Windellama Landcare Group has started a project to protect the Budjong Creek chain of ponds. There has been considerable community interest in the project and this article aims to provide a brief summary of the nature of and reason for the project.



A chain of ponds can be described as ponds connected by short lengths of channel or divided by grassy intervals. These systems are considered typical of much of our local river systems prior to European settlement. Today, chains of ponds are regarded as a rare or threatened river category and warrant protection and provide a valuable environment for native aquatic fauna and flora.

The Budjong chain of ponds is recognised as one of the most pristine chain of ponds in the Upper Shoalhaven catchment area and has a high local conservation value. That this chain of ponds has retained much of its original character is in large part due to the happy coincidence of being adjacent to a rarely used TSR and being part of a Crown Grazing Licence area held by a landholder who recognised its value and has not used it for grazing.

The Locals Linking Landscapes program in the Windellama community has provided an opportunity to put together projects that will provide protection for the Budjong chain of ponds. Working together, the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority, local landholders, including Kevin Stewart, the NSW Department of Crown Lands and Windellama Landcare developed a package of projects to

define the area, survey, fence and manage the sensitive areas. The activity, strongly supported by the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority and funded from Federal and State government sources, is expected to provide a substantial enhancement of the conservation aspects of those areas.

Windellama Landcare received a Community Action Grant from the Federal Government, under Caring for Our Country Program to protect this sensitive riparian system by fencing and managing the area around the Budjong Creek chain of ponds. An important part of this project is to educate the community about the area. Information will be provided at the site about the project objectives and expected outcomes, as well as sources of funding. Local volunteers will undertake monitoring with information fed back to the community to improve general awareness of the site's value and the impact on biodiversity and water quality.

The project has started, drawing on technical advice and support from Southern Rivers Catchment Authority and NSW Department of Crown Lands. An initial survey of flora indicated some endangered species in the area which resulted in a targeted invasive weed spraying program. Earthworks have been carried out by the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority. Existing fencing has been removed and will be replaced by appropriate fauna friendly fencing.

We still need to do more fencing, including additional fencing funded by the Southern Rivers Catchment Authority, construction of a pin weir to restrict water flow, tree planting and developing informational signage and a monitoring program. The fencing and tree planting are scheduled for work parties over the next two months.



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Thought I would share a couple of our favourite dessert recipes; neither is too complicated!! The macerated oranges really are worth a try.

MASCARPONE PANNA COTTA

(Serves 6)

2 teaspoons powdered gelatine
2 tablespoons warm water
200ml cream
100g caster sugar
175g sour cream
150g mascarpone
¼ teaspoon vanilla extract
3 teaspoons lemon juice



Sprinkle the gelatine over the water in a small bowl and set aside to dissolve. Beat the cream, sugar, sour cream and mascarpone together in a large bowl. Place the bowl over a pot of simmering water and heat, stirring, until the cream mixture is warm. Add the dissolved gelatine and mix well. Continue to beat over the heat until the mixture is hot but not boiling. Stir in the vanilla extract and lemon juice and strain into a bowl. Pour into 6 x 125ml lightly oiled metal ramekins. Cover and refrigerate for 3-4 hours until the panna cotta is set. Serve with whatever combination of fruit takes your fancy, for example fresh or frozen berries; kiwi fruit; fresh figs (quartered, sprinkled with sugar and glazed under a hot grill)

MACERATED ORANGE SLICES

(Serves 4)

6 oranges
Grated rind of 1 medium lemon
4 tablespoons granulated sugar or caster sugar
Juice of half a medium lemon

Method:

Peel just four of the oranges, using a very sharp knife. Take care to remove all the white spongy pulp and also as much as possible of the thin skin beneath.

Cut the oranges horizontally into thin slices about 9mm thick. Take out any pips. Put the slices into a shallow serving bowl or deep dish and then grate the lemon peel into the bowl. (Avoid grating the white pulp beneath the peel.) Add the sugar. Squeeze the other two oranges and add their juice to the bowl. Add the lemon juice. Turn the orange slices over a few times, being careful not to break them up. Cover the bowl and refrigerate for at least 4 hours, or even overnight. Serve chilled, turning the slices once or twice in the macerating liquid just before serving.

Note: You may add more sugar if you like the oranges much sweeter. Some people add 2 or 3 tablespoons of liqueur just before serving. I do not because I find it interferes with the fragrance of the lemon peel. Try it both ways, if you like, and decide for yourself.





Veolia Mulwaree Trust

GRANT & DONATION FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS & CHARITIES

The Veolia Mulwaree Trust invites funding applications to support projects for the benefit of the local community or charitable purposes under its 2011/2012 Community Grant and Donation Program.

The following local community organisations may apply for funding:

- Sporting Groups
- Rural Fire Brigades
- Service Clubs
- Schools
- Preschools
- Progress Associations
- Community Health Services
- Churches
- Charities
- Any other non-for-profit organisation which complies with the community funding guidelines.

Projects located within the local government areas of Goulburn Mulwaree, Palerang, Shoalhaven, Oberon, Wingecarribee, Upper Lachlan and Wollondilly are eligible to apply.

The Veolia Mulwaree Trust manages the community trust fund established by Veolia Environmental Services, operators of the Woodlawn Bioreactor near Tarago.

Guidelines and application forms are available from www.mulwareetrust.org.au or by calling (02) 4822 2786

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SUPPORTING OUR YOUNGSTERS

PLAYGROUP - We have been busy at Windellama PS recently in support of our youngest students and children.

At a recent playgroup session, three ladies from Windellama Garden Club (Pam, Di and Colleen) came along to share some of their crafty expertise with the children. Thank you ladies, for your time and generosity!

KINDER ORIENTATION – Our new group of Kindergarten students (Montana & Charlotte) came along last week to their first orientation day and had a great time. We have 4 more orientation mornings for 2012 Kinder students in term 4.



Above: Pam showing Montana and Max some craft skills



Above: Di, Colleen and Pam helping the littlies

TARALGA SPORTS DAY SUCCESS

The annual Taralga Small Schools Sports Day was held recently in cold but fine conditions.

Windellama PS competed strongly with 37 individual placing ribbons won, 6 relay placings, a champion athlete and a Hannaford Trophy winner.

Georgia was our Hannaford Trophy winner while her sister Tina was the Junior Girl Champion athlete.



Tina proudly displaying one of her many ribbons

UPCOMING EVENTS IN TERM 4

- 19 October: National Nude Food Day
- 20 October: State Athletics Carnival: Go Tina!!
- 21 October: Kinder Orientation Day No.2
- 24-28 October: 5 Day camp for primary class
- 1 November: Windellama Cup
- 4 November: Kinder Orientation Day No.3

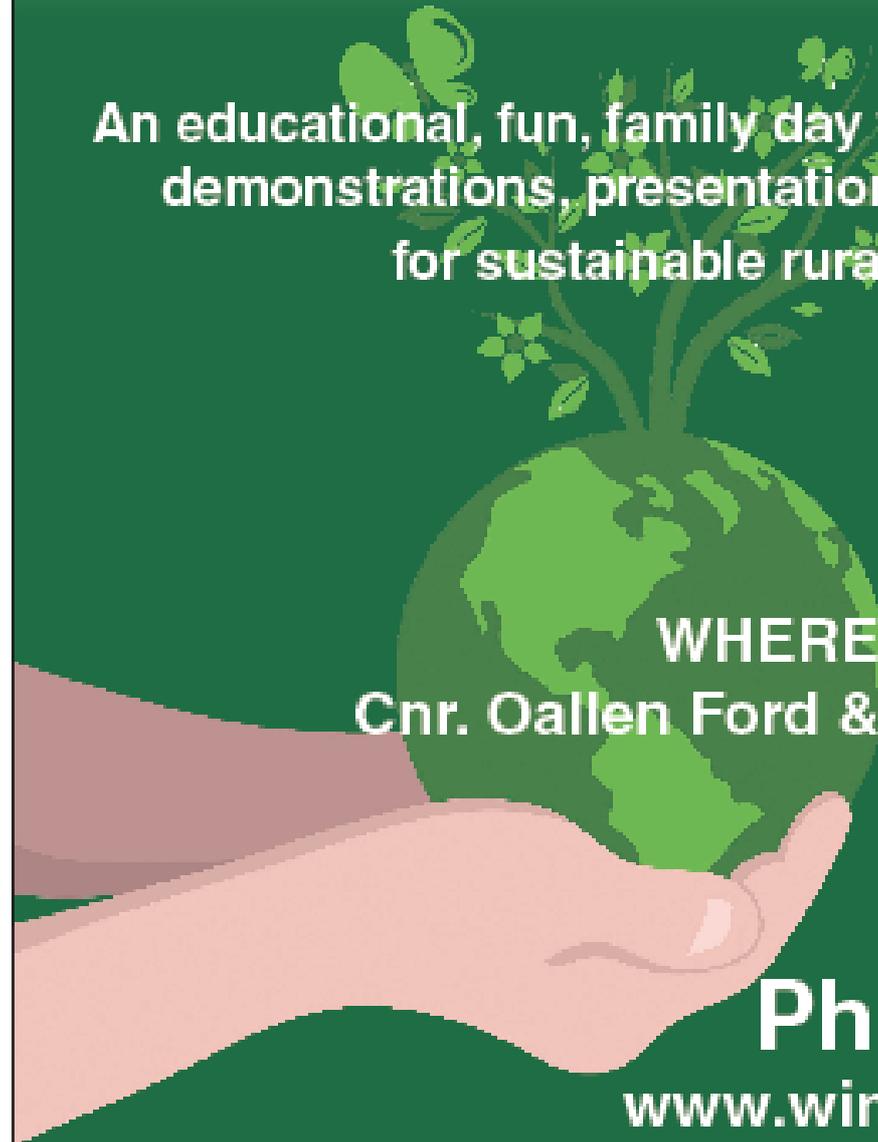
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We have had a few days of really spring like weather but believe we are now going back to winter for a few days. So far we have seen three tiger snakes, so they are on the move.

Everyone at la Granja is blooming along with the wattle and blossom trees. We pruned our fruit trees and I have been potting and repotting, seeds and plants.

All the Alpacas are great, Hermoso and Humberto

have joined the big boys, so eight together now and are fine, no fights. Humberto seems to regard Ninfo as his big brother and goes to him for support. Mamacuna and Mayu are growing up fast and Elfgive a is still feeding from Dama at 18 months. No one pregnant though as no more babies here, Leti at the moment is going through a stage of trying to mate Princesa and Guevara.!

One Muscovy duck sitting and the geese are laying or at least the younger lot are and I have given Taco three eggs in case she wants a family.



Swallows are nesting on the house wall again, in fact using last years nest and they are lovely to watch. We also have a crested pigeon who comes for corn with the guinea fowl, and the parrots. I think his wife must be nesting nearby somewhere, not in the Tagasaste this year as they did last year.

Namaste and do not forget my book, now available with pay pal. Joy

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