



Landcare Update



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On April 14th, a large number of Members and Friends gathered to celebrate the pending Marriage of Marian Hardy & John Pearce. A card was signed by all those present and for those who sent apologies. With contributions, a special outdoor table and chair set was presented to Marian & John with Best Wishes for their Future together.



NEXT BUSY BEE: Our Grounds Operations Director, Warren Yates, has called for a Busy Bee on 19th May to replace the fencing along the roadway at the Hall. All those who can attend are asked to bring appropriate tools for fencing. A notice will be sent to all Members.

Discussion will take place on that day to decide when to burn off the heaps of waste wood at the Travelling Stock Route in Sandy Point Road.

Travel Safely,

Regards, Sec. Shirl.

Late notices just received from David Rush, Landcare Coordinator, Ph: 4842 2594.

1. Subject:

Natural Sequence Farming **Demonstration**, Saturday 5th May- Mulloon creek Natural Farms (Off Kings Highway Bungendore)- 9.30am -1pm.

If anyone is interested, numbers are limited.

Please RSVP to Southern Rivers CMA Braidwood 4842 2594 by 1st May and ask for further details.

2. Workshop: Farmers guide to Managing climate Risk.

Thursday 24th May, at National Theatre, Wallace St Braidwood.

Workshop \$30, morning tea, lunch supplied.
For more details contact Richard Stone 4842 2594.
Sec. Shirl has a few more details from email.



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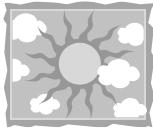
Corang Pine Planting

March 17, some of our group got together and planted out 30 Corang Pine tubestock at the Corang River Stock Crossing. This completes the planting under our grant from the Sydney Catchment Authority. The planting was ably assisted by some nice rain for the next couple of days. Some three weeks later we made a check on the new plants. And they are coming along well.

Nerriga Landcare Group thanks Mick Ryan for collecting on our behalf our award as part of the Landcare & Government Partnership Award at the recent Southern Rivers Catchment Authority and Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council dinner. Each member of the partnership was gifted with a Corang Pine so we will be adding ours to the Corang River Stock crossing area.

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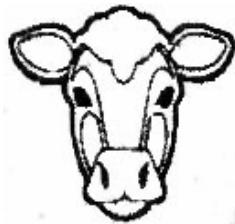
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WINDELLAMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc.



As far back as I can remember the sport of tennis was played in the district. Locally there were tennis courts and an active tennis club at Sandy Point, Windellama and Jacqua. Everyone knows where the Windellama courts are/were, initially there were two and the third and lower one was constructed in the early 1950's (maybe 51/52).



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The Sandy Point courts were opposite 'Minerva' on the Sandy Point Road. The remains of the tennis shed are still visible on the flat at the foot of the hills northwest of where the power lines cross the road. Some photographs taken last year at the site show the remains of the tennis shed (1st), the middle court posts (one for each court) (2nd) and the remains of some of the posts from the western court fence (3rd). As an aside, my sister had her birthday party attended by my parents, myself (4yrs old), Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney and their son John who owned 'Minerva' at the time. Following the cake ceremony we all went blackberry picking which were in plentiful supply. During picking everyone was picking up the fallen ripe berries and eating them with comments such as ooh, aah, tasty, delicious etc. At some point it was noticed that I wasn't eating any of the fallen blackberries and when asked why I said that they tasted terrible. It was discovered that I had been eating rabbit droppings (also in plentiful supply) instead of the blackberries! Shortly after I discovered they tasted much better than I had first thought.

The Jacqua courts were situated opposite 'The Aloes' (owned by Bill and Agnes Broadhead) and about 100 metres or so towards Bungomia near the road and just behind a strip of bush. The courts had lapsed into a state of disrepair but were brought up to par around 1953 after we moved to the original 'Yarralaw' homestead now known as 'Yarrala', my father being a very keen player.

From memory the district players were:- my parents and Grandmother Maud Hockey, Mrs. Abbey, Bob Larkham, Cis Croker, Bessie Williams, Jack Dove, Heather Hawke, Les and Vene Croker, Min Morrison, Robin Carne, Eric Gegg, Ray Croker, Clem and Mercy Larkham, Ernie and Ollie Larkham, Bob and Noel Lang, Jack Willoughby plus others I have forgotten. At that time I was one of the 'little' kids and the 'bigger' kids – Fay Morrison, Beryl Larkham, Dawn Williams, Carol Hawke and Peter Croker – organized games such as Drop the Hanky and Ring-a-round-a-posie etc, to keep us 'little kids' out of the way of the players.

Whilst on the subject of tennis courts, the second 'lower class' teacher at Windellama, John Moon (1955) was a very good tennis player and used to practice in Sydney with the Davis Cup players although not in the squad himself, and was most instrumental in getting the school tennis court up and running. In hindsight it was just as well we (I say we because I pulled the roller and the steel wagon wheel rim round and round and up and down the court) established the court then as there would have been nowhere to put the demountable class-room when it arrived years later. John Moon used to coach the kids at recess and lunch time all free of charge.

The clubs mentioned all played round robin tournaments with Tarago and other places. I can recall one day playing at Charleyong and my father used to go to Taralga and Crookwell on occasions.
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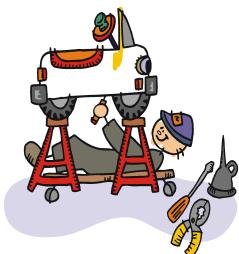
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African Lovegrass seed head



A thick patch of African Lovegrass

African Lovegrass (*Eragrostis curvula*)

This weed from Southern Africa was thought to have been brought to Australia by accident before 1900 and later deliberately imported as a pasture grass. It is now a declared prohibited plant in most districts and is common almost everywhere I care to look. Most of us know what Serrated Tussock looks like but hardly anyone I speak to can pick this one. It DOES resemble our GOOD native Poa Tussock so please take the time get familiar with African Lovegrass before it becomes a huge problem here in Windellama, also you don't want to waste time and money spraying out your native Poa.

African Lovegrass is in seed at the moment (Autumn) and the native Poa is not. Native Poa tussock mostly seeds in December/January, African Lovegrass can set seed at any time in response to rain.

It is becoming the dominant species in many areas of Sydney and Canberra and no one seems to be doing anything to control it.

If you want to know what African Lovegrass looks like it's the most common tussocky grass at the Oallen Ford camping area and likewise the paddock next to the drive thru at McDonalds North Goulburn has been totally taken over by it.

If you have internet access have a look at these photos in colour at www.wild.windellama.com as the colour of the plant alone will help you identify African Lovegrass

Platypus (*Ornithorhynchus anatinus*)

I finally saw my first Platypusses (or is that Platypie) in the wild the other day. They were in the Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve about 40km south west of Canberra, an area absolutely devastated by the Canberra fires a few years ago. It was great to see so much wildlife there although the landscape is still very much in the early stages of recovery.

Most of us would probably know the basic facts about Platypus so I won't bore you with that (this time) but I am interested in any that you might have seen either recently or in past times. I've been told that they are often spotted in the Shoalhaven River around Oallen Ford and that's good to know; but it's the creeks in Windellama that I'm mainly interested in, i.e. Nerrimunga, Nadgigomar, Windellama and Budjong Creeks.

The only reports of Platypus in the Nerrimunga Creek that I have heard are from about 20 years ago and last year I found what looks to be a Platypus burrow about one metre above the current stream height; but it was deserted and most likely very old as Platypus like to make their burrows just above water level. Maybe Platypus are still there in our creeks and maybe you have seen one, please contact me if you have.



Platypus burrow ? Nerrimunga Creek



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Southern Tablelands Farm Forestry Network



FARM FORESTRY ESTABLISHMENT COSTS

You have decided to establish a farm forestry enterprise on your property. So you now need to know the costs of establishing your farm forestry enterprise. There are a number of activities involved in establishment, including site preparation, weed control, cost of seedlings, cost of planting, fertiliser costs and cost of applying fertiliser. There may also be fencing costs involved, depending on location and layout of the farm forestry enterprise.

Site preparation is the first, and most critical component, of establishment. If site preparation is not carried out correctly, then the rest of the establishment, and the whole farm forestry enterprise, struggles to be successful. Good site preparation, using a D6 bulldozer, with winged tynes and mounding discs, will cost between \$350 to \$400 per hectare. There may be some transport costs to be paid on top of this to get the bulldozer on site.

For this reason, it is often beneficial to talk to other farm foresters in the area to see if they also require work to be done, as this then spreads the transport cost between a number of farm forestry enterprises.

Seedlings for planting cost 30cents each for bare rooted pine seedlings, and between 60 cents and \$1.10 each for native species tube stock seedlings. The average stocking is 1,000 trees per hectare, so the cost of seedlings for a pine plantation is \$300 per hectare, and for a native species plantation, from \$600 to \$1100 per hectare.

The contract cost for planting pine seedlings is \$350 per hectare, and for planting native species, \$450 per hectare. The extra planting costs for native seedlings is because they are bulkier, have to be removed from seedling trays and hence slow down the planting operation.

Weed control is another critical component in farm forestry plantation establishment. Typically, for both pines and natives, a knockdown herbicide and a residual herbicide are used. For pines, a pre plant knockdown application of Glyphosate (Roundup) is used at the equivalent rate of 6 litres per hectare (actual herbicide used is 2 litres per hectare) sprayed over the rip lines. The cost of herbicide is \$18 per hectare, and cost of contract application \$80-\$90 per hectare. A post plant hand application of Forest Mix herbicide is required at a cost of \$45 for the herbicide, and \$100 for contract application.

Natives use a pre plant application of a mixture of Glyphosate and Simazine, and the cost of herbicide. The cost of herbicide is \$40 per hectare, and the cost of application \$80 to \$90 per hectare.

The new farm forestry plantation will require fertilising. Nitrogen and phosphorus are the essential elements, and fertiliser is applied at the rate of 150 grams per tree, or 150 kilograms per hectare. The fertiliser will cost \$750 per tonne from most rural stores, which translates to a cost of \$114 per hectare, and the contract rate for application is from \$140 to \$160 per tonne. Boron will be required on all new plantations a year after planting at the rate of 40 grams per tree, or 40 kilograms per hectare. Agribor fertiliser will cost around \$2000 per tonne, which is \$80 per hectare, and the contract rate for application is around \$90 per hectare.

When all these costs are added up, it will cost a potential farm forester between \$1670 and \$1800 to establish a hectare of pine plantation, excluding fencing costs and the transport cost to get the bulldozer on site. It will cost between \$1930 and \$2500 to establish a hectare of native species plantation, plus any fencing and bulldozer transport costs.

However, there is potential for the farm forester to save some money by doing some of the work themselves. If planting, herbicide application, and fertiliser and boron application are carried out by the farm forester, then \$600 to \$800 per hectare can be saved.

If the farm forester is in the business of carrying out a legitimate farm forestry enterprise, then tax deductions are available for the year in which the expense is incurred. This applies to all establishment costs, but not capital costs such as purchasing land and other capital equipment. Also, the farm forester will need to consult their tax accountant regarding this, and get an individual product ruling from the taxation office.

For all farm forestry establishment advice, have a look at the Southern Tablelands Farm Forestry Network website, www.stffn.org.au

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 From 15 May to mid June, Goulburn Library will host a fascinating touring exhibition: 'Museum In A Box', from the Police & Justice Museum in Sydney. Revealing the everyday life and times of police and criminals of the 1920s prohibition era in NSW, the box contains a range of enthralling items. Alongside the required tools for the policeman: police batons, badges, mug shot booklets and handcuffs, are some of the essential items of the criminal's toolkit: a cut-throat razor, counterfeit coin, concealable gambling wheel, turnkey and several knuckledusters. The infamous 'Squizzy' Taylor is also featured. This impressive museum exhibit and its fascinating items are rarely seen outside of Sydney. The STRL is particularly appreciative of the generous support and assistance provided by the Police & Justice Museum and the Historic Houses Trust, making this exhibition available across the region. Entrance to the exhibition is free – no booking required.

Brush With The Law

Did your ancestor have a brush with the law? On 5 June, to coincide with Goulburn Library's hosting of the 'Museum In A Box' exhibition, Lindsay Allen from State Records of NSW will provide some fascinating insights into court records and related sources available at State Records. Lindsay will introduce Civil and Criminal Court records, gaols and inquest records, and include specific references to Goulburn and some of its past citizens. This session will be held in the Regional History Room of Goulburn Library, from 11.00 am. Cost is a gold coin donation for morning tea. Bookings can be made with the Library on 4823-4435.

Southern Tablelands Regional Library Photographic Competition

History In Focus: Pubs With A Past



Entry forms are available NOW! Through the current photo competition, STRL seeks to acquire past and present images of pubs, inns, hotels & breweries, also their contents, activities and patrons, for the regional photographic collection. This year's competition will close 20 August 2007. Entry forms and further details are available from all branches of the Southern Tablelands Regional Library, or online at www.strl.nsw.gov.au.

For further information on Library activities, please ... contact the helpful staff on 4823-4435 ... logon to the website at www.strl.nsw.gov.au ... or send an email to strl@goulburn.nsw.gov.au.

7,000 Eggs

Excerpt taken from Goulburn Post 21/11/1941

Additional donations to the Goulburn District Hospital's annual egg appeal have brought the total to well over 7,000.

A parcel of 230 eggs was received from Lake Burra while another was received from Windellama. This morning it was not known how many eggs were included, but an estimate placed the number between 300 and 400. The Lake Burra donation brought the number to 6,949 eggs, so that the Windellama donation would take the number to about 7000.

Following are the progress totals: Bourke St. Public School 1195; North Goulburn School 1130; South Goulburn School 525; Taralga School 540; Gunning School 380; East Goulburn School 300; Lake Bathurst School 180; Woodhouselee School 130; Kingsdale School 100; Breadalbane School 100; Towrang School 140; Collector School 216; Yarra School 114; Lake Burra 230; Windellama 320. In addition 54 eggs have been forwarded by individual citizens.

The appeal has been very successful to date and this total exceeds last year's number by nearly 1,000. The record total of 14,681 eggs was made in 1936 when Bourke Street Public School led with 3780 eggs.

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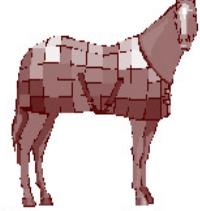
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