

Farewell to a Wealth of Experience – Mega Mums Move On

Three carers from the north of the Shire have scraped the playdough off their floors for the last time and retired from Family Day Care.

Linda Quinto and Anne Spires from Cobargo and Jane Wetzler from Quaama have, between them, been working with Bega Valley Family Day Care for 42 years. In that time they have provided care for hundreds of children and offered parents the convenience of a childcare service in their own town. Each of them has a loyal following of families who have appreciated the quality of their care and commitment to the best outcomes for every child.

Since retiring, Linda has been able to devote more time to breeding and showing her Border Collies, though she

does miss the children and all their hugs and kisses. She still sees the children now and then and is always given a huge welcome and lots of hugs

– one of the perks of the job, she says.

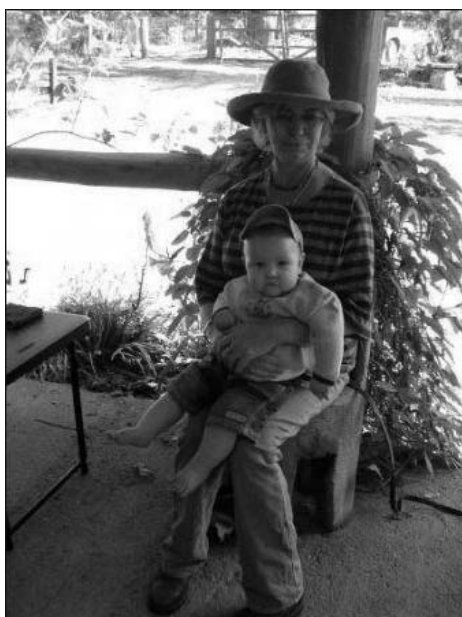
Jane has taken on another career now but says she loved being a Family Day Care carer for very close to twenty years. She highly recommends it as a career to anyone considering becoming a carer.

For Bega Valley Family Day Care it has been a long and very happy association. Now there is a need for new carers in Cobargo, Bermagui and Quaama as there are local families in need of care. The Family Day Care co-ordination unit would like to hear from anyone who believes they have the qualities it takes to enjoy and care for children and has a home suitable for child care. (See advertisement on page 7.)



Linda Quinto from Cobargo with Olivia Shipton.

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Jane Wetzler with Nicholas Platts.



Anne Spires and her team of day-care aviators.

Editorial

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What an amazing community we live in here in the locality we call the Triangle. Recently a member of our editorial team arrived at the Cobargo petrol station with about a teaspoon of petrol in the tank only to realise that her purse was on the table at home. The generous action of the proprietors allowed her to 'borrow' petrol to get home and pick up the purse.

There are also many many organisations that raise money for local, national and international causes, hundreds of dedicated volunteers running events like the Seaside Fair, Sculpture on the Edge and the Four Winds Festival, committed activists and quiet supporters of a variety of actions.

Of this last group the most amazing actions recently must surely be the two 'Music in the Forest' events. The first was the Bega String Quartet playing 'music to destroy forests by' at the start of the day as the police moved them off the road and the log trucks arrived, drowning their music with industrial noise.

The second event occurred in the forest one Sunday and was a chorus of 120 voices performing an original work by Geoffrey Badger, a work created in response to the first sighting of a koala in the area for many years. About 300 people made their way into the forest for this event. Both events can be seen on YouTube.

Calls to the paper have drawn attention to the dangerous bends at the approach to Wallaga Lake Bridge from the Tilba-Bermagui road and the need for improved signage to indicate this and suggest a suitable speed for navigating the approach. It seems that a visitor actually overshot the bridge and ended up on the dirt road that runs along the lake edge. There was no damage this time but next time who knows.

This month we bid farewell to Olivia a valued member of the team who has been our copy editor for some time, thank you Olivia for all your work. Copy editing is an important part of the production of *The Triangle* and if there is a copy editor out there somewhere who would be interested in joining us we would love to hear from you.



Letters to the Editors

Sponsors thanked for generosity

Thank you once again to Country Energy as major sponsor of

entrants afterwards, River Rock Cafe for making everyone welcome and to all those Bermaguians who came down to lend their support.

Congratulations to CEFE's Lynda Cantrill who raised \$300



CEFE's Life Saving Energy Big Swim in the Bermagui River on May 16, which was an outstanding success, raising just over \$3,255 for solar panels for the Bermagui Rural Fire Service building.

Please visit www.cleanenergyforeternity.net.au for photos, etc.

My thanks to the RFS members who injected much fun and interest into the finish on the sandbar, with fire trucks, water sprays, sirens, whistles and bells – great job! Also to John Orr and Pauleen Harris for showing the way, NSW Maritime for keeping everyone safe, Joan Robinson for organising the Lions' sausage sizzle, Mike Long for great soup to warm up the swim

through personal sponsorships for swimming the 5km course, along with CEFE President Matthew Nott and other swimmers from Sydney, Batemans Bay, Canberra, Tathra and Merimbula. This will be an annual event and everyone's promised to spread the word for next year.

Meanwhile Jill Harper is co-ordinating a CEFE Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 17 at the Bermagui Country Club for the Bermi Surf Club solar fund – please mark your calendars. Best wishes,

Prue Kelly
Co-ordinator
Bermagui River Big Swim



Past and present holders of the Bermagui Institute (Bicycle Division's) yellow jersey gathered in Bermagui this week for a short but moving ceremony to commemorate the inaugural presentation of the Division's highest honour, Life Membership and Bar to Bill Broadhead.

My Triangle

Julie Dibden

Julie Dibden loves living at Tilba. Four years ago she bought and returned to Spring Hills, the farm where she was born and grew up. For her, Tilba has 'so much personal and family history and connection' with people and places she has known all her life. Julie, together with her husband Andy, operates her



own business, NSW Archaeology Pty Ltd from Spring Hills.

Julie has led an eventful life so far. At 20 years of age she joined a prawn trawler in Darwin as cook / deckhand. She rapidly rose to skipper status, gaining her ticket in Brisbane, and proudly says that she has fished in NT, Queensland, WA, SA and NSW. The trawlers were typically 95 feet long, and stayed at sea for months at a time, servicing a mother ship. She says 'I don't mind a challenge'. She left prawn trawling at age 24.

Julie met local identity, Col Rayner, a transplanted Kiwi, and in the time they were together they built a mud house in Armitage Road, Central Tilba, and had their son, Oscar, who is also well known in the area.

In her early adult life Julie was a passionate 'greenie'. She spent a lot of time working on the South East Forests campaign, including involvement in protests in the Eden area. This sparked her interest to start a course in Environmental Science at ANU when

Oscar was four years old. Her first year included archaeology as a subject. She became engrossed in this and switched to an archaeology degree. At this time she met Andy Pearce. Soon after graduating Julie started her cultural heritage consultancy business in the Southern Highlands and work grew rapidly, such that by 2004 they had more work than they could handle. By this time Andy was also a

qualified archaeologist. Col Rayner works with them on archaeological excavations and is their 'best' digger.

Never afraid of work, and with a quest for learning, Julie started a PhD in 2000. Pressure of consultancy projects put this on the back burner until recently when she raised the tempo again, and is periodically spending time in Canberra to work on it. Among other industries, Julie and Andy have become very active consulting for wind farm developments, including the Silverton Wind Farm at Broken Hill, the largest in the southern hemisphere.

Julie loves working on her land. Her current goal is to complete her PhD and get rid of all the lantana, tussocks and other weeds on her farm. Julie says she 'loves every minute of every day at Spring Hills. She says 'we live in paradise'.

Harry Bate



HELP

Desperately seeking Susan, Simon or someone with a working knowledge of how to put newsletters together.

As we constantly remind you, *The Triangle* is put together by volunteers and occasionally those volunteers have to live their own lives, get paying jobs, go on holidays or just resign – fancy that.

The Triangle needs someone to do the layout for the JULY issue. If we cannot find anyone there will not be a July issue.

If there is someone out there that can help for July please contact either Jo: 4473 7927 or Louise: 6493 7370 or email the_triangle2@bigpond.com

Youth Educational Support Services

Would you like to be a YESS volunteer?

YESS Volunteers are helping local students with their reading for 1½ hours a week at Cobargo Primary School, Mon-Wed am.

Also at Bermagui, Narooma High schools and Little Yuin Pre-school.

We need new volunteers!

For more details please ring Sue Dickson on 0400 473 067

A little known fact

The first testicular guard was used in cricket in 1874 ...



and the first helmet was used in 1974.



It took 100 years for men to realise that their brains could also be important!

A Personal Tribute To Guboo Ted Thomas in 2010

by Wesley Stacey, photographer

The controversial Mumbulla Mountain is again the site of confrontation. In 1980 Guboo Ted Thomas, with others, won a battle against the Forestry Commission of NSW to stop the desecration of Aboriginal sacred sites by industrial logging operations on Mumbulla.

It's appropriate to recall the efforts of Guboo and celebrate that story.

Guboo Ted Thomas is controversial. He's an activist – and he's a bridge between cultures!

We and others worked together for only a few years – on wonderful projects, all initiated by him.

In our creative endeavours we recorded many special Koori places – made exhibitions and publications – in the cause of land rights for Aborigines. We made a portable exhibition, 'The Law Comes from the Mountain'.

During all this we were recording many special Koori sites/places on the Far South Coast. The records of all these were placed in the Institute of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies in Canberra – and they're still there. National Parks also have some

sacred places were under threat of desecration in the interest of logging and woodchipping – the industrial removal of forests. Guboo objected. And we were with him!

The creative Guboo Ted Thomas was part of a continuum of effort that had political and social repercussions that still, after many decades, are somewhat oppositional to some.

And to respect, reconcile and overcome our cultural differences without prejudice is still a challenge along the coast.

Our friend wasn't lacking a sense of humour – we dealt with serious stuff. He was a singer. He sang Koori songs. He'd sing frog songs and the kids and women would crack up!

He'd sing with 'Bing' (Percy Mumbulla), who had a lovely, sometimes wild voice.

Guboo, meaning 'good friend', played

around the country with 'Wallaga Lake Gum Leaf Band', including across

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*From page 63 of 'After the Tent Embassy'
Guboo Ted Thomas defending sacred places on
Mumbulla Mountain
The places were in danger of being desecrated by
logging industry in 1979*

Thumbs Up



incident.

To - Vicky Emmerton for over and above the call of duty with the horse

To - the generous Cobargo Bakery for supplying the bread and fresh rolls for Cobargo Public School's daily "Brekkie Club"! Yum!

To - the generous sponsors of Cobargo School's new Sports Shirts to be worn at District Level Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals! THANK YOU to Bega Cobargo Veterinary Hospitals, the family of

'Scooter' the dog, Chris Norris, Barry Benny and the Cobargo Co-Op! Our kids look, feel and act like a fantastic team - and run like the wind!



Thumbs Down

To - the person/s who mindlessly broke the main stems from three of the new gum trees at the Bermagui Community Hall. Why, oh why?

To - vandals who recently destroyed Yuri Wiedenhofer's fire sculpture, which was such a feature at the opening of Bermagui's 'Sculpture

on the Edge' on Endeavour Point Headland in March. Yuri and fellow fire sculptor, Jesse Rasmussen, spent several long nights and early mornings working to stabilise the sculpture after the rainy opening night and were happy that it was strong enough to be fired again on other future occasions. Unfortunately, it did not withstand the wanton attacks made on it by an individual or individuals unknown. The sculpture has been reduced to rubble as event manager, Jan Ireland, discovered when she checked on it after an absence from Bermagui.



Tilba Bites

Another chapter from the Tilba school of etiquette. A frail, elderly lady slowly made her way up the Drom steps and into the front bar. She ordered a glass of wine and enquired if accommodation was available. The noble publican Waz was only too aware of the lady's frailty and the many steep steps leading to the upstairs rooms and said, 'Sorry madam we're booked out'. Said lady then sipped her drink and perused the historic notes on the walls. Turning to the only other occupant of the bar, Mick Y, she said 'I see this hotel is over a hundred years old'. Our knight errant replied 'Yairs love you'll fit right in'. Exit one miffed lady. Nice one Mick, you dulcet charmer!

Rici Tandy kindly supplied an update on the Central Tilba halls. The Management Committee of the Central Tilba School of Arts Trust Inc. extends an invitation to all and sundry to attend their AGM to be held on Wed. 9 June at 7.00pm in the Little Hall. Most members of the current committee have been responsible for management of the halls for over 10 years and encourage local residents to become actively involved by joining the committee. There are always projects to keep members busy in the ongoing restoration process. Now is a time to re-group and gather some extra funds to continue the 20 year plan.

The hall hire format is also being

re-jigged. There will be no increase in hiring rates, but hirers will be asked to pay 'up front' to avoid any confusion over groups, times and dates. Obviously, fees will be refunded if the booking is cancelled. By requiring that payment be made up-front the Management Committee will be given an opportunity to donate funds back to any group that requests help with fundraising. At the moment the Committee is owed a considerable amount by non-payers, or by groups who have used the halls for fundraising and presumed upon Committee's generosity. Members are



all volunteers, are very community minded and consider all requests made to them.

The Committee receives no external funding for the everyday running of the halls and has to raise the funds needed to pay for insurance, power, water and general maintenance, so it is important that hire fees be paid by users. Bookings are made at Bates General Store during business hours. The committee would like to thank Ken and Linda Jamieson for their

unfailing support and assistance. It should again be stressed that new members are welcome. Annual membership is \$10 single, \$18 family and \$30 group. There are reductions in hire rates for members and they may be called on to participate in occasional working bees and other management activities for these community owned facilities. If you have any queries, please ring Rici Tandy on 6493 6333.

The motley crew that comprise the 'Drom Cab Co' held a barbecue to celebrate well over a year of ferrying fellow drinkers to all points of the compass. The pub car, a gnarled ford falcon, is manned by a roster of volunteer drivers and has been a great success in helping thirsty locals to avoid the perils of DUI. John Small kindly took the photo of the drivers, and prospective passengers should closely peruse this picture to avoid being frightened on a dark night. Lady drivers are excluded from that last remark. From the

left, the rogues gallery comprises Scotty, Eduardo (the Dude), Greg, Tilz, Wendy, Jen, Jock, Tuck, Lynchee, Barney and Mardy. JudyAnn and Pete missed the photo. The barbecue was a great success, but participants had to walk home.

No chook news this month, but an interview has been arranged with the aberrant fowl in the near future.

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(Tilba Bites continued on page 10)

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Quaama School Goes Siroccan

The children of Quaama Primary School were privileged to experience the Ascan Music of 'Sirocco'. The original band began in 1984 with only one of the four male musicians being from the original band.

Technology supports much of Sirocco's repertoire, creating a dynamic blend of live and recorded pieces. Using a wide range of musical instruments they created the most tranquil music. The band involved and educated the children with their knowledge of how instruments worked, to make beach and many other sounds and the most harmonic voices you've ever heard. The guys said that it was a privilege to play in our wonderful hall and the sound was fantastic. If you can manage to ever have the opportunity to see these amazing musicians it's a must.

Thank you Sirroco, you expanded our horizons. It was also wonderful to use our fantastic acoustic hall, now that it has been re-stumped, Ya-Hoo!

Our community thanks all who have contributed to the restumping of our hall.

Zoe Carroll



Students at Quaama Primary School get stuck into the music (above and below).



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Cobargo Conversations

Reprieve for the Pool

Our swimming pool is safe from the tentacles of the YMCA and back in the hands of our own custodian – Jim. As much as I would love to say it was ‘people power’ that won the day, after reading the recommendations on the Council’s website, it seems that the YMCA’s tender was ‘non-conforming’ and in regards to community interest I quote:

‘Councillors will be aware of letters of support from members of the community and pool user groups in relation to a number of existing contractors. Response to those letters has been to advise of the competitive process required for pool operation contracts.’ Luckily for us, the YMCA’s tender was non-conforming; it would have been interesting to see if the Council did listen to their ratepayers.

The winner of the Cobargo Dry River Cricket Club was Graham Struthers. The club would like to thank everyone for supporting the fund raiser for the new pitch.

It was a great Trivia Night for the Cobargo Rugby League. There were 14 tables of eight, with Cheska’s team ‘The Spectaculars’ winning, closely followed by ‘The Sharkies’ – the Cobargo-Bermagui Rugby Club team – all decked out in club colours. Dave Rudendyke did a great job as MC and thanks to Gordon and Julie for adjudicating on the night.

Steered by Jude Walker and Sonia

Evans, the Cobargo Public School recorder group is rehearsing for their performance at the Sydney Opera House. This will be an exciting event for them – on the stage at the Sydney Opera House and still in primary school – how good is that.

Also the public speaking group from the school is in preparation for the area public speaking competition.



Autumn Garden in Brogo

Debbie and Steve Fisher played host to over thirty Cobargo Garden club members on Monday 10th of May.

The Fisher’s four acre park like garden is at one with its surroundings, making the most of the sloping land, large natural boulders, stream and the native vegetation. Over the last few years the Fisher’s have created their garden from scratch, ensuring that it is low maintenance, requires minimal water, provides shade in the summer months and a great display of autumn colours.

The garden features a range of oaks, maples and ash which blend beautifully with the rest of the garden. The picnic area by the stream makes this garden something special.

Visitors to the garden also had the opportunity to taste Steve’s yummy homemade soup before strolling around the garden.

Food to remember, wines to delight and a first for the district

Sunday 13th June will see Clea’s Restaurant at Cuttagee opening for a very special evening, well it is the Queen’s birthday weekend and the opening of the ski season so surely we are entitled to celebrate a little. On that weekend Clea’s@Cuttagee is hosting a six course degustation prepared by multi award winning chef Joel Welch, who is currently the executive Chef at the The Lobby restaurant in Canberra. Each course will be matched with Sticks wines from the Yarra Valley selected by Sommelier and host Matthew Anlezark, formally of the Ginger Room and now at Watersedge in Canberra. The menu is a temptation of delight that ranges from exotic dishes to refreshing sorbet with each course complemented by the selected wine. Many local residents will remember the pleasant atmosphere and delightful surroundings that were the hallmark of Clea’s@Cuttagee and this is a chance to enjoy them again. When you arrive (at 6.30 for a 7pm start) you will be greeted with canape and a glass of Ninth Island NV Sparkling Brut. During the evening there will be some great gourmet prizes given away and all in all it promises to be a great night of beautiful food and wine in a stunning location and of course the company is sure to be exceptional. (See advert on page 5 for more information.)



CHILD CARE REQUIRED

Bega Valley Family Daycare is currently providing care for over 400 local children through registered carers working in their own homes. We are currently looking for new carers to start work in Cobargo, Quaama and Bermagui.

This is an opportunity to earn income using skills you have developed raising your own family or through other childcare experience. Carers are self-employed whilst benefiting from the support, training and resources provided by the Bega Valley Family Daycare Service. Successful applicants must be willing to attain their Certificate 111 in Children’s Services within the next four years. Gain your qualification while working and earning an income.

If you are interested in becoming a Carer call the Coordination Unit and we can send you a Prospective Carer Pack.

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Brogo Babble

Who Lives in Brogo

Take a pair of intelligent eyes, a curious nature, a nice coat and four legs and you have yourself a goat. Deb and Rod Campbell live down Blanchards Road way with their two daughters Emily and Sarah and their small herd of milking goats.

Just over five years ago they moved from Sydney to beautiful Brogo. The family had returned to Australia after some time in South Africa, (Rod's country of birth) and twelve years in the UK. Their search began by going north up the coast and all the way to Darwin. Nothing appealed so they regrouped and headed south. It was love at first sight when they arrived in Brogo and bought their 25 acre property. The girls are now happily ensconced at Bega High. Emily is the maths whiz of the family and Sarah has become a thespian and plays a great piano.

Rod and Deb had an interest in goats from their overseas experiences and after discussions with two very helpful goat keepers in Candelo and Jellat decided to acquire milking goats for cheese making. British Alpine was the breed chosen for the high butter fat of their milk and their longevity gene. That is, their ability to come back into

milk when not breeding. They wisely set about building the fences before bringing their first two, Carli and Tuppence, home. Since then the herd has grown to seven with two Toggenburg in the mix to improve the gene pool. There is also a purpose built

produce quality cheese for the commercial market. Right now Deb is experimenting with domestic cheese making, and having sampled her 'experiments' the product is exceptionally good. Soap is another by-product and with a PH level close to our own skin, it is especially kind to delicate skin and those who suffer eczema and other skin disorders. With honey from local hives and a little bees wax the soap is almost good enough to eat.

Deb and Rod and the girls are enjoying a sustainable and productive lifestyle and look forward to the future when their cheese making business can launch them into the next phase of their vision.

A little further down the road and sitting on a very pretty hillside is the property of Helene and Wouter Ypma. Back in 1982

they too began looking for property on the South Coast. Wouter had been in the merchant navy and had always admired the beauty and verdant countryside along the coast between Eden and Batemans Bay. They, together with Helen's mum and stepdad wanted more land than the five acres they had, just north of Sydney. They found their utopia in Brogo on 1800 acres of mixed bushland and pasture along the Brogo River.

Helene had always had a love of angora goats and once they had settled

Debbie Cambell and her goats.

'goat house' where the ladies line up in their pecking order to be milked each day.

Deb pays a lot of attention to the diet of the herd. Most of us believe that goats will eat anything that moves. Whilst they are not fussy eaters, with a carefully balanced diet based on organic principles, supplemented by added minerals, the goats stay healthy. At times, when one of the 'girls' is off colour, Deb uses herbal remedies wherever possible to deal with the disorder.

The long term goal is still to

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into their new home, bought 200 sight-unseen from a farmer in Wagga. Somewhere along the way the information provided by the seller as to the kidding time for the goats was wrong. In the middle of June, very soon after the goats were unloaded, they began to produce their kids. With no fencing and no dogs Wouter spent the next few weeks in his heavy duty sleeping bag, out in the paddock doing the night shift with the new mothers and their babes.

Helene worked as their shepherd during the day to keep the herd together. These days the paddocks are neat and tidy with good fencing and Maremmas now guard the flock.

Over the years drought has been a constant companion but despite all, Helene's angora goats have gone on to win many awards including Best Goat in Show at the Sydney Royal Easter Show 2010. There are many coloured sashes hanging in the goat shed and in good years these goats produce a fleece prized from Italy to France and China.

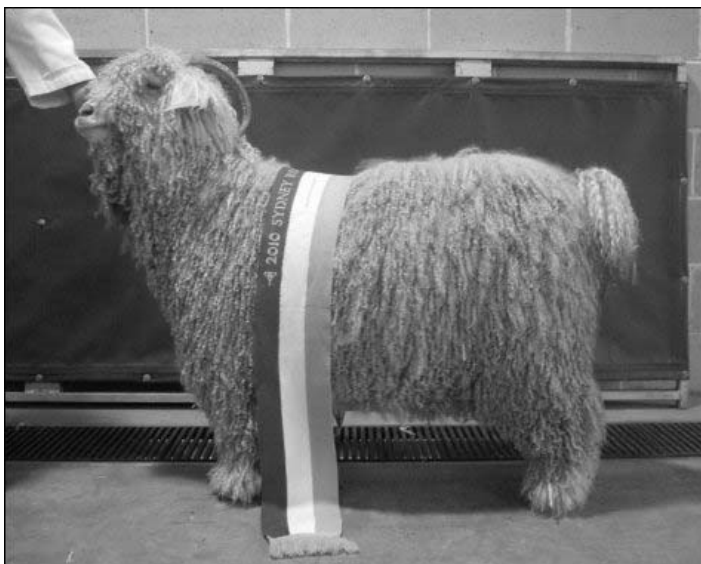
When asked how she acquired the knowledge to produce prize winning goats Helene tells of the early days. Back then, it was thought that the goats' digestive system was very similar to a

sheep. In fact it is quite different and it took a lot of trial and error to formulate a safe and effective method of drenching. Over the years, the exchange of information amongst other growers and assistance from interested veterinary practitioners has resulted in a vast improvement in diet and health throughout the industry. She recalls one of her first

support to new growers in the industry are to them more important than the prospect of winning.

The goats, with their thick curly fleece, are bright eyed, easy to manage and intelligent. With the climate becoming more unpredictable and farming more challenging, perhaps the farming of goats for milk, meat and mohair will expand further in coming years.

Robin Philp



Supreme Angora

shows at Castle Hill in Sydney. The breeders and goat fanciers were very willing to share their knowledge and experience and over the years many have become friends. Although the show circuit can be expensive and tiring, Helene and Wouter believe that the small country shows are equally as important as those like the Sydney Royal Easter Show. The friendships made, the information shared and the

News from the Fire Shed

The Autumn weather has been glorious but we could all use some more wet stuff. [As layout is happening it is raining.] Hazard reduction burns are in full swing around the area and the Brogo Brigade members have been involved in some of this work. Mike Jay has been active again in organising training. A few weeks back three vehicles set off on a night navigating exercise using the GPS around the back roads of Brogo and beyond. It is amazing how different familiar roads and tracks look at night. Dodging the huge number of wombats out there in the scrub took great concentration. Despite some team members taking the long way round, everyone eventually returned in good order and condition.

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Brogo Babble

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News from the Fire Shed

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A recent Sunday training session focused on the pumps, reminding us of the different temperaments and performance of each one and getting the team work right. Any members of the brigade, old or new are very welcome to come along to training sessions and help teach some of us new kids some old tricks.

Speaking of new kids, Deidre Smith and daughter Sam were recently assessed and passed their Basic Fire Fighter course. Well done ladies.

The Rural Fire Service annual conference in Newcastle was held recently. Around 400 delegates came from all over Australia and overseas to attend the two-day event, which focused on 'Education and Fire Awareness'. It is clear that more work by the Fire Service is needed to assist communities right across Australia to understand fire warnings, weather and hazard reduction. 'Prepare, Act, Survive' is the message and everyone in a bush fire area should take action to ensure the safety of their homes and families.

Closer to home, Brogo residents

who would like information or advice are encouraged to make contact with David or Robin Philp (pandion2@bigpond.com) or 6492 716, who are assisting with community fire education in the local area.

Robin Philp



Tilba Bites (continued)

New Fire Shed – Central Tilba Rural Fire Brigade

The local Rural Fire Brigade in Central Tilba would like to share with our community our delight that, after some ten years of lobbying for a new fire shed away from the crowded village centre, the Rural Fire Service and the Eurobodalla Shire have approved the construction of a new shed at the end of Latimer Lane in Central Tilba.

All going well, the Brigade should relocate to the new shed some time in July.

We are thankful to the community for the ongoing generous donations that will help us to fit out the new fire shed with training and communication facilities as well as specialist equipment for our response vehicles.

The ceremonial 'turning the

sod' took place on site on 28 April 2010, ably performed by our Life Members Tralee Snape, Richard Bate and our Captain Bruce Allen

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A Personal Tribute to Guboo Ted Thomas in 2010

(From page 4)

the Sydney Harbour Bridge on opening day!

We shared many precious moments, out in the bush and in town. One night we shared a small dormitory room deep in Sydney's Glebe, with that clever man with red eyes from the Kimberleys, David Mowaljarlai.

We'd be out in the dark bush at a particular place – forest, fire, sleeping bags.

He told of being with his grandmother, who was 'a clever woman, a healer'. They would go out at night together, she on the job, him a young boy going ahead, making sure the way was safe for her.

So as for Koori heart and warmth, affection and loyalty – I know


it's here! On the bridge, in the street and the supermarket. We share a familiar heartiness! I like it.

Guboo, hero as he still is, wasn't a guru figure for me, though he had a wisdom.

The first evening he came to dinner a Diamond Python stretched itself along the fireplace lintel.

'It's a good sign', he said. After that we took on amazing quests.

'Mumbulla-Spiritual-Contact', our publication, is still treasured around here in these controversial moments.

I learned how to photograph the bush better by being with him. I learned who Jack Mumbulla was .

I wish he were still with us, to be part of the Umbarra project and enjoy seeing the Biamanga National Park sign – see the Koori flag flying in all the schools.

Clever anagrams

For those who like to play with words, here are some amazing anagrams. Just see what happens when you jumble the letters of the first word and rearrange them.

The eyes becomes they see.
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Astronomer = moon starrer.
Desperation = a rope ends it.
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The Morse Code = here come dots.
Dormitory = dirty room.
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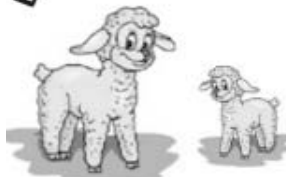


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Bermi Banter

'Close the door, light the light, I'm staying home tonight' – yes it does feel a bit like that with the cooler weather upon us, but there are still things to get out and about for.

Bermagui's mid-morning Anzac

photographer Wez Stacey, in honour of Guboo Ted Thomas, to be held at the Bermagui Community Centre at the end of June will also be 'a must see' for your diary. Wez's tribute in words, outlining the fight on Mumbulla Mountain to protect Aboriginal sacred sites, appears in this edition of the Triangle, with photos taken by Wez.

A popular waterhole and picnic area at Mumbulla Mountain forms part of Biamanga National Park. Administered by National Parks, it is accessed from the Princes Highway north of Bega, or adjacent to the Murrah Hall on the Bermagui-Tathra road.



Craig Cowgill & Chris Reid leading the Bermagui Anzac Parade

Day ceremony, held in glorious weather, was attended by record numbers. The parade was a colourful event led by local men, Chris Reid and Craig Cowgill, dressed in the uniform of the soldiers of the famous Australian 14th Lighthorse Brigade.

The Murrah Hall committee has organised a music variety night with a huge line-up of artists on Saturday 12 June, the long weekend. Be there for a 7.00pm start to a fun mid-year evening.

A proposed photographic tribute exhibition, by renowned

It's a funny thing how rumours turn into fact – especially in a small town. Not so funny though when a new business starting up is the target. Tim and Honor Northam from 'il Passaggio' have been plagued by unfounded rumours that they 'charge extra' for seating outside on the verandah (and inside). NOT SO! Customers only pay for what they consume as per the bill. Tim advises that if the till system docket is confusing customers, they should ask for it to be explained. There has *never* been an additional charge for seating.

Another Bermagui Triangle reader is seeking information from readers to solve a bit of a mystery. She found a dead, but otherwise healthy looking wombat in her red bin. If you know of anyone who may have hit a wombat just south of the Cuttagee bridge late April please email mazcall@hotmail.com or the_triangle2@bigpond.com. In particular, our reader is wondering if the wombat was hit and picked up at another location but died enroute to a wildlife (WIRES) carer. Apart from that, putting dead animals in private garbage bins is just not on. If you do hit wildlife on the road call WIRES on 6495 4150.

Last but not least, a fond farewell to Katie and Danny Lopez-Lomeli, who have returned to Mexico for up to three years to enable Danny to complete his architecture studies. If you were out and about in Central



Katie & Danny dressed in character for a murder mystery dinner

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Bermi Banter (continued)

Tilba or Bermagui over the last two months that handsome waiter with the beautiful smile who served you was our Danny. We miss you two already!

Maralyn Callaghan



Probus has Busy Time Ahead

After a very successful Mothers Day luncheon at the Bermagui Country Club, plans have been made for an Empire Day celebration (bonfire Night). Most of us remember when we had a half day holiday for this event. Really it is just an excuse for another social function.

The Music Group, within Probus, had a very successful and enjoyable afternoon hosted by Yoost and Uta van Delft. The host selected music of his choice and shared it with about 24 others on the afternoon. They meet again next month at the home of Betty Dawson.

Our Probus Singers are coming out of hibernation and we look forward to some light entertainment when they have gathered their resources once again. Other groups within Probus, such as the Computer Group and the Camera Group, hold regular sessions for fun and enlightenment.

Our recent guest speaker, Eddy Davenport, gave a very interesting talk on the National Gallery, Canberra, where he is an accredited guide. It makes looking at pictures much more interesting when the background and history is explained. Eddy is just one of the guest speakers that give a talk at each monthly meeting.

We are looking forward to our Pot Luck Dinner where we each bring a dish and see what happens when we take 'pot luck'. Let's hope there aren't too many meat casseroles and not enough sweets, but that's just 'pot luck'!



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A Glimpse of Life in Burma, from Bermagui

Have you heard of the Saffron Revolution? Or wondered what life is really like in exotic, golden-spined, military controlled Burma? *BURMA VJ: Reporting from a Closed Country*, the multi-award winning Oscar-nominated documentary, directed by Danish film-maker Anders Ostergaard, will be screened at the Bermagui Community Centre on Friday 18th June 2010 at 7.15pm

BURMA VJ tells the story through the voice of Joshua, one of the many video journalists (VJs) working clandestinely in the country. It's gripping, confronting real-life footage shot during the 'Saffron Revolution' in Burma (aka Myanmar) in 2007, when hundreds of orange-robed pacifist Buddhist monks, took to the streets of Rangoon in desperation at the suffering of their countrymen. As rivers of people filled the streets daily, the chanting of ancient scriptures for peace were joined by slogans for freedom and democracy.

The film ends with the devastating cyclone Nargis hitting southern Burma in 2008. Despite worldwide offers of relief at the time, two years later, in already desperately poor communities, only one third of the promised international funds for rebuilding have been given.

This is a fundraiser - \$10 suggested donation, all welcome. Proceeds will go directly to help rebuild devastated villages, via trusted local community networks.

Delicious Indian snacks and chai will be available from 7pm.

If you can't make this screening but want to see *BURMA VJ* you can contact Mary (who worked in Burma for two years) on 6493 3628 and arrange a showing for your group.



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Murrah Hall's Music Mix

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Murrah Vice Pres and Cow Patties convenor, Robyn Levy has assembled a whopper night of donated music performances, opening promptly at 7.00pm.

The music menu for the night includes: Saul & Brooke, The Cowpattys, Dave Lamb, Mathew Perry & Friends, Martin Fowler, Tim...Dave & Natalie, Akolele Ladies, and making a very welcome return to the Murrah stage is our compere for the night, Andrea Powell.

In true Murrah style, it promises to be a surprising and memorable night and if you have never experienced the generosity and genius of our locals, here would be a great start - only 15 minutes south of Bermi, just over the Murrah Bridge.

Saturday 6 June. Doors open at 6.30pm. Entry - \$15.00.

PS

The Murrah Committee is hoping for a second outing of 'Blockade - the Musical', but at this stage they haven't confirmed.

Attention Meditators and Yoga practicers

The Murrah Hall is planning a 'Benefit Sit' in July to raise funds to support the current logging protests. The day will comprise of a mix of meditation, guided visualisations and yoga sessions and is very beginner friendly (Yes, you can sit on a chair!)

If you know people who would sponsor you to 'sit' and would also enjoy a guided, meditative one-hour forest walk, please contact Mary McLean 6494 0259.

Howard Stanley



Don't forget, our email address:
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Deadline for articles is 22nd of the month.

Art in the Triangle

Young Writer Wins Award

'The sand blows' is a funny thing to read in a birthday card.

'to qeter from DARCy' it read, and inside were two poems by way of present. Good poems, as it turned out. Darcy was still eight at the time, and these were his first poems. We'd been discussing, around the kitchen table, things poetic. I'd written one for his mum, then a couple more. Darcy was getting into the spirit of things. His mum and I liked the poems so much that we found the 2010 Laura Literary Festival – a national festival that drew our attention because it had kids' sections, too.

Off went the poems, and back came a certificate: *Third place, under 13s.*



Darcy Wallace proudly shows his Third Place certificate.

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Chuffed is a word for it. Here's the poem that won:

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Art in the Triangle (continued)

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Celebrated Australian Artists Support 'Living Artist' Auction in Bermagui

On Sunday 13th June 2010, the Queens Birthday Weekend, Bermagui will host the Biennale Living Artist *Celebrity* Art Auction. This is the major fundraiser for the Far South Coast Living Artist Project and will provide a scholarship for one artist from the Far South Coast to work for a year to produce a professional body of work and also to provide them with mentorship, education as well as financial and marketing support.

This year marks the third *Celebrity* Art Auction, and previous events have been both highly regarded and successful fundraisers. It is a major fundraising event for Living Artist, which aims to raise the profile of the Arts on the Far South Coast and this event sits proudly alongside Four Winds, Sculpture on the Edge and the Shirley Hannon Portrait Prize.

The *Celebrity* Art Auction is a great opportunity to bid for your piece of great Australian art and a great opportunity for art collectors and local art lovers to come together and support this valuable community project.

The evening offers patrons a night of fine wine, sumptuous food and great local music, not to mention the opportunity to rub shoulders with artists and celebrities.

Up for auction on the night are art works by celebrated artist Gary

Shead, plus several of Australia's most well known artists such as, Ken Done, John Wolseley, Prue Acton, Mandy Martin and Richard Morecroft. Strongly featured on the evening is our local talent including past winners of the Living Artist Scholarship, Poppy Benton and Tanja Riese. The artistic lineup does not end there with the very best of our local artists on show. These include Annie Franklin, Ivan Gluck, Cheryl Davidson, Eryca Green, Rick Anderson, Ballan Bolton, Craig Cameron, Phillip Cox, Matt Jones, Andy Townsend, Alan Watt, Lorna Crane, to name just a few. The centre will be adorned with paintings and prints, ceramics and jewelry that will be a great asset to anyone's art collection.

This year's art auction promises to outdo those of previous years and the intent is to raise \$30,000-\$35,000. The auction night begins at 5pm and the bidding starts at 7pm, the venue being Bermagui Community Centre. The Masters of Ceremonies are Andrew Sayers, director of the Australian Portrait Gallery and local identity. He will be joined by Roger Stewart and the highly entertaining auctioneer Guy Higgins from Merimbula.

This premier event is a must for the Far South Coast social and arts calendar and will be featured across a wide range of media outlets. The full

catalogue can be seen at www.livingartist.org.au

Tickets cost \$25.00 and can be bought at the following outlets: Essential Object, Tathra; Pineapple House, Bermagui; Gallery Bodalla, Bodalla.

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Cat Enclosures Save Birds

Our previous WIRES article dealt with free roaming cats and the harm that they cause. For those of you who rang the WIRES hotline requesting information about cat enclosures/play space information, the following may be of help.

Enclosures provide your pet with its own safe outdoor space that will be attached to your home with a pet door passage. (There are also options for people who are renting). You can rest assured that birds and wildlife will be safe in your backyard and you won't need to ring WIRES requesting help for a native animal that has been attacked in your yard.

One company that we have found is called Catnip. It is one hundred per cent Australian owned and has 15 years experience in designing, building and installing their cat enclosures. Phone 1800 639 998 for a catalogue and a price list. If you know of another company that makes cat enclosures, please ring the WIRES hotline on 6495 4150 and tell us about it so that we can spread the word.

WIRES will be held its annual Basic Training Course on 21 & 22 May at Manna Park. If you are 18 years or older, and would like to learn more about WIRES and its activities, please ring us on 6495 4150.



AWL Pet of the Month

Missy's picture shows the seven- year-old Silky cross but sadly she had to be clipped when she came into care so does not look as attractive as she will when it grows back. This lovely girl will make a great companion for an older person without any other dogs.



Other animals that need homes are: Asher, Alyiana and Alyssa, 15 week-old Black Labrador x pups, Snoopy the little 16 month-old Spitz x, Brownie the four and a half year-old Whippet x Staffy, Gypsy- Rose the 12 month-old JR x Heeler, Patch, the one year-old female Foxy x JR, Queenie, the one year-old tabby/ tortoise-shell female, Shelby, the one year-old female Tabby & white cat, Jet, the 11 weeks old male JR x Foxy, Dash the seven year-old male Foxy x, Lil the 10 year-old female Foxy x, Penny the 6 year-old female JR x , Major the two year-old male German Shepherd x, Daisy the 2 year-old small grey/white

cat, Zeba the one year-old female Tortie/White cat and Alistair the six-week-old male black kitten.

Rehomed were kittens Storm, Garfield and Tigerlilly, Star the Foxy x pup, and George the Beagle.

If you are considering adopting one of the other companion animals in care please email your enquiry to awlfarsouthcoast@hotmail.com. or call the adoption line on 0400 372 609.

Did you know that failure to remove your pet's droppings from public places may result in a hefty fine?

By confining your pets to your property and keeping them on a lead when walking unless in lead free areas and picking up and disposing of droppings, you help assist in preserving

public open space privileges for both owners and pets alike. BVSC Shire Council provides disposal bags for dog faeces in some areas but owners should always be prepared and carry their own bags for this purpose.

NB. Many animals never appear in the paper as they are adopted by potential owners who have their names on the waiting list. If you have lost or found a companion animal please call BVSC Companion Animal Facility on 6499 2222. For wildlife enquiries contact WIRES 6495 4150 or NANA 6493 0357.



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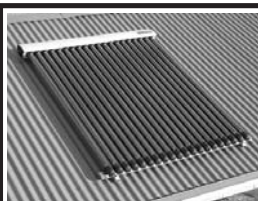
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CTC@Bermagui



CTC has had a huge response to the mention of a free seniors café in last months *Triangle*.

Thank you to the *Triangle* for all your support you give us. CTC would love to get this up and running. However we require funding. We have grant applications in so fingers crossed. We already have a list of names and contacts from seniors eager to update their existing skills and learn new ones; some are just looking forward to the social interaction, which sometimes is lacking in regional areas. I think it's fantastic that seniors want to get involved with technology. We will let all on our contact list know as soon as we hear anything.

We are also connected to the Centerlink volunteers program so if you are a Centrelink recipient and need to fulfill your obligation and need a volunteer's position come and chat to Jeannie about it we may have a place available for you.

Centrelink Self Access Point

A reminder to those of you who need to phone Centrelink, fax off your

fortnightly statement (our staff can assist) or have original documents sighted, it can be done from our private access centre in Bermagui. It saves a trip to Narooma or Bega.

Have you checked out CTC's website www.bermagui.net. If you are a local business we will give you a free listing, if you require a web link from your business to CTC's website it is \$25.00 per year.

We still have all the same services including copying from VHS to DVD, which is also very popular, laser colour printing, photocopying, book binding, laminating A4 and A3, camera to disc, faxing send and receive, CD burning, high speed internet access, and basic computer training, all at very reasonable prices.

Bermagui CTC is located in the Bermagui Community Centre, in Bunga Street

Hours are Mon to Fri 9am to 4pm Ph: 6493 3745



Our email address is:
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Deadline for adverts is 20th of the month. Please put your business name on files and in the title of the email.

Public Notices

Heart to Heart

Christine Trayner and Lorraine van der Linden hold a fortnightly discussion group, which is centred around the Alice A Bailey esoteric teaching of the Ancient Wisdom.

We hold monthly full moon meditation groups that are aligned with the above teachings, with a focus on a united service to humanity.

All are welcome to attend at:

2a Brighton Park Rd, Beauty Point.

Please contact: Christine, 4476 8732 or Lorraine, 6493 3061.

A token donation to help cover material costs would be appreciated.

Montreal Goldfields

The next Friends of Montreal get-together is being held on June 5th at about 12.00 noon, at the Montreal site. It is shaping up to be a great afternoon. BYO food, drinks and chair as usual and a camp fire will be going on which to cook your meat if you wish. Interesting activities as always, and wear walking shoes and a hat. Bring a friend for the afternoon and to join up. See you there. Any queries to Cherie at 6493 5425.



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Soft Footprint Recipes



Fresh Fish in Tempura

I don't go fishing, but I certainly appreciate the fact that I can buy fresh local seafood in our Triangle area. There are many ways to enjoy the harvest from the sea apart from deep fried in batter with a pile of chips. A firm fish like flake, with or without prawns or chicken, is ideal for

tempura, the classic Japanese version of fried fish and vegetables.

The secret of the light and crispy batter is to make it just before cooking and to have both food and batter very cold.

Tempura batter can be as simple as an egg yolk whisked into a cup of iced water and three-quarters of a cup of sifted plain flour, or the more complicated version I usually make: one-quarter of a cup of corn flour, three-quarters of a cup of plain flour sifted with half a teaspoon of baking powder and a quarter teaspoon of baking soda. Stir in a cup of cold water and an egg. Beat until smooth and frothy. Prepare a tray of thinly-sliced fish and a range of vegetables. An authentic tempura would include lotus root, ginkgo nuts and bamboo shoots but broccoli, carrots, cauliflower, green beans, mushrooms and onions are a delicious and appropriate alternative.

Dust the fish, chicken or shelled prawns lightly with

flour, then dip into batter and fry in hot (170 deg.C) vegetable oil for about one minute, turning as needed. Drain for a few seconds on absorbent paper and serve immediately with soy sauce or a tempura dipping sauce. The vegetable slices can simply be coated with batter and quickly fried. The perfect accompaniment to this meal is plain cooked rice and perhaps a bowl of clear soup and some Asian pickles. This is the kind of dinner that can be made into an occasion and cooked at the table in an electric wok or deep fryer, though I would urge caution with children around.

Our autumn meals have been featuring salad ingredients from the garden as well as carrots, parsnips, celery, leeks and pumpkin, plus we've just been given a bucket of chokoes. These bland cucurbits are best picked and eaten when young, and can be stir-fried, steamed, sauteed, roasted or made into soup, pickles and jam. One way that I like them is peeled, cut into thin slices and lightly sauteed with onion and garlic, with some optional chilli or cayenne. Include the seed as it is quite soft and becomes nutty when cooked.

Happy cooking!

Dawn Hollins



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The Triangle is a community newspaper; its aim is to provide information and news to the people in the triangle area. The committee is made up of volunteers, who donate their time and expertise for the benefit of our readers.

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Book Review



The Postmistress
Sarah Blake
Penguin Viking,
\$32.95

I love books about small town life, maybe because I live in a small town. These days the idea of city life and its isolation, its anonymity, leaves me feeling empty. But *The Postmistress* is about far more than life in Franklin, a fishing village on Cape Cod, because it's 1940 and every evening news of the war in Europe is brought into Franklin's kitchens and lounge rooms by 'radio gal' Frankie Bard, on assignment in the bomb shelters and the shattered streets of London.

Newly arrived from Boston, Emma is the new bride of Franklin's young doctor William Fitch. William feels that by volunteering in Europe he may atone for his father's sins and his own culpabilities. Iris James is the postmistress, charged with

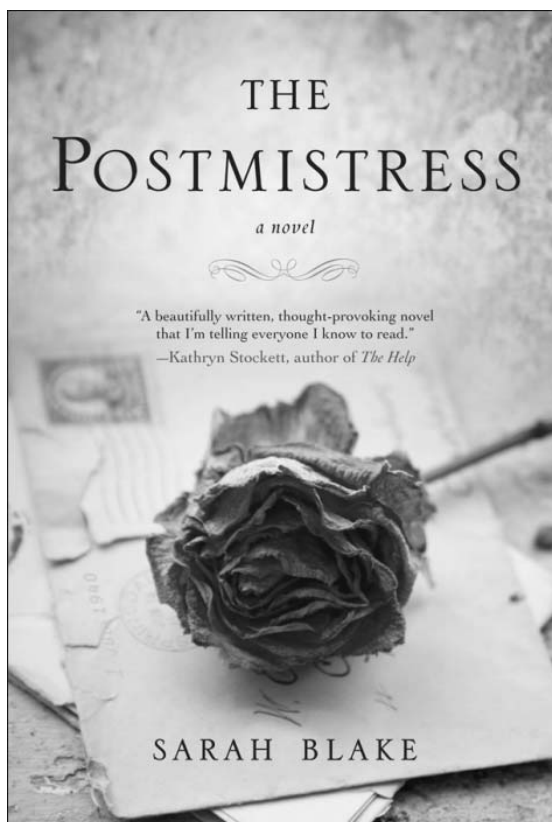
the solemn duty of delivering secrets to Franklin's townspeople, and sending their news out. But one day she intercepts a letter that she slips into her pocket instead.

Sarah Blake's evocative style transported me from the tappety-tap of the franking machine in Iris's sunny

sorting room to the dark and stuffy underground shelters of London, where serendipity brings a war correspondent and an American doctor together one night, to train carriages packed with broken Jewish families fleeing the horrors of Europe as the Germans push across the continent, and seamlessly back to Emma's lounge room and Frankie Bard's radio bulletins. Frankie's assignment is to report on "the war in Europe", but, as she discovers, war is *people* – courage, grief, loss, love – and her brief, but compelling, nightly dispatches bring people's voices, stark and intimate, into the consciousness of an as-yet uninvolved America.

Look out for a copy of *The Postmistress* in the Bermagui Library.

Jen Severn



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Garden Magic



Winter Jobs in the Garden

Our gardens have slowed down and the deciduous trees are making a wonderful display of autumn colour. Bulbs are coming up and some, like jonquils, seem to be confused by the weather and are flowering already. A garden never really sleeps; even when trees are bare they are preparing to make new root growth long before they come into leaf.

The tops of herbaceous plants (those perennials which die down to the ground in autumn and sprout again in the spring) can now be removed and added to the compost or chopped into short lengths and left as mulch.

Now is a suitable time to relocate trees and shrubs that are in the wrong place or, as I'm doing, shifting camellias to save them from the bulldozer in a Canberra development. Sadly, we are leaving two magnificent Ginkgo trees which are beyond my resources to transplant.

Deciduous trees can be bare-rooted as long as care is taken to avoid damage to the feeder roots. Unless the

plant is quite small you will leave behind many of the roots and will need to prune the top severely to compensate. Thin out shoots and branches to create a framework for new growth. Evergreen shrubs such as camellias are better moved with a root ball of soil to conserve some of the very fine root system.

The choice of planting site is all important. We need to look ahead and imagine the plant in its maturity. Have we allowed sufficient space and is the aspect right? Morning or afternoon sun or dappled shade? As our gardens grow and age, niches and micro climates will develop. A canopy of established plants can provide protection from frost or extreme heat. If we are aware of this our gardens will be healthy places where a variety of plants can thrive and continue to give joy and satisfaction, food for body and soul.

Happy gardening,

Ivan



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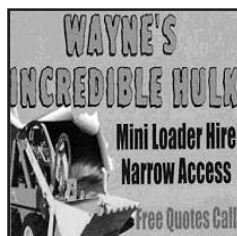
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Folk Night Evenings, visiting performers, usually first
Friday in month (please check first.) For more info, ph
Secretary, Coral Vorbach 6493 6758.

QBC COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

Free monthly concerts at the Bega Bowling Club,
Cobargo Hotel, Narooma Sporting Club, Tuross Kyla
Park Hall and Quaama Hall. Visitors, Children, Musos
welcome. Contact Ted Weiss on 6493 6548.

SCOTTISH DANCING

Mon 1.30 - 3.30pm, Thurs. 7.30 - 9.30pm:
Cobargo School of Arts Supper Room
For information phone: 6493 6538

MOBILE TOY LIBRARY & PARENTING RESOURCE SERVICE

All parents of chn. 0-6 welcome to join.
Cobargo - every 2nd Wednesday 1.30pm - 2.30pm at
CWA cottage; Bermagui - every 2nd Friday 10.30am -
12pm in the Ambulance station grounds;
Quaama - Wednesdays by prior arrangement.
Enquiries: 0428 667 924

TILBA VALLEY WINES BRIDGE CLUB

1st Wednesday every month from 2pm. All
standards catered for - partners not necessary - stay/
play as long as you like - visitors to the area
especially welcome. Further details: Peter 4473 7308

QUAAMA INDEPENDENT RIDERS ASSOC'n

Meet 1st Wed. of the month Quaama Rodeo grounds,
7.30pm. All welcome. Ph. Katrina 6492 7138.

MYSTERY BAY COAST CARE

Contact: Christina Potts 4473 7053 Meet: 9.30-12.30
3rd Sat Month @ swings. All Welcome.

LIFE DRAWING SESSIONS

Cobargo SofA Hall every second Sunday. Set up,
1.45pm. Drawing, 2-4pm. Naomi 6493 7307.

DIGNAMS CREEK COMMUNITY GROUP

Meets randomly. For info phone Shannon Russack, Pres.
6493 6512 or Merryn Carey, Sec. 6493 6747.

AGLOW CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

A world wide Interdenominational Christian
Women's Fellowship, providing opportunities to
help women discover their identity in Jesus Christ.
Enquiries ph. Elizabeth Farnsworth 4473 8413.

OPEN SANCTUARY@TILBA

Gatherings at Holy Trinity Church Tilba Tilba on the
second and fourth Saturday evening of each month
at 5pm. Music, meditation and shared reflections,
supper afterwards so please bring a plate if able.
Meditation group meets every Wed at 10 am.
Inquiries Rev Linda Chapman 0422 273 021.

NAROOMA & DISTRICTS CAMERA CLUB

Meetings 1st Hole, Narooma Golf Club, 2nd Tuesday
of the month, 7.00pm. Whether beginner or pro,
come & experience the joy of photography. Dave
Cotton, 6493 3800.

BERMAGUI CROQUET CLUB

Bermagui Country Club, Croquet Club play Every
Thursday 2.00-4.00pm. New players always welcome,
tuition and friendly games always available, equipment
provided. Dave or Tina Cotton, 6493 3800.

BERMAGUI GARDEN GROUP

1st Tuesday Morning every Month 10.00am until 12
noon. Venues vary.
For info phone Denese McCann on 4473 7885

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FOR THE FRIDGE DOOR

Date	Event	Venue	Time
Thursday 3 June	Nick Charles, acoustic guitarist	Cobargo Hotel	7.30pm
Friday 4 June	Ecstatic Dance with DJ Mani	Nourish (opp. Bermagui Community Centre)	6-7.30pm
Saturday 5 June	Floor talk by exhibiting artists	Ivy Hill Gallery	3.30pm
Saturday 5 June	Friends of Montreal Goldfields get together	Montreal Site	12.00 noon
Sunday 6 June	Mark Whitty	Tilba Valley Winery	from 12.30: free
Friday 11 June	Sufi Dancing with Tamsin	Nourish (opp. Bermagui Community Centre)	6-7.30pm
Friday 11 June	Dave Nolan	Bermagui Country Club	8.30pm
Saturday 12 June	Sufi Dancing Workshop	Nourish (opp. Bermagui Community Centre)	11.30-5.00pm
Saturday 12 June	QBC Country Music Club	Cobargo Hotel	7.00pm
Saturday 12 June	Music Mix Variety Night	Murrah Hall	7.00pm
Sunday 13 June	Degustation dinner at Clea's@Cuttagee	Cuttagee Beach Cottages, Tathra Road, Barraga Bay	6.30pm for 7.00pm start
Sunday 13 June	Family Fun Day, sausage sizzle and entertainment for the kids	Cobargo Hotel	2.00pm
Sunday 13 June	Biennale Living Artist Celebrity Art Auction	Bermagui Community Centre	5.00pm
Friday 18 June	Brian and Annie	Bermagui Country Club	8.30pm
Friday 18 June	Film, "Burma VJ: Reporting from a Closed Country"	Bermagui Community Centre	7.15pm
Saturday 19 June	Poddy Dodgers	Cobargo Hotel	7.30pm
Sunday 20 June	Damian Coen	Tilba Valley Winery	from 12.30: free
Friday 25 June	Jacqui Seczawa	Bermagui Country Club	8.30pm
Friday 25 June	Ecstatic Dance with Sada	Nourish (opp. Bermagui Community Centre)	6-7.30pm
Saturday 26 June	Markets	Cobargo Hotel	9.00am
Saturday 26 June	Folk music session, bring your instrument and join in	Cobargo Hotel	2.00pm
Friday 2 July	Karaoke	Bermagui Country Club	8.30pm
Friday 9 July	Gary Jones	Bermagui Country Club	8.30pm
Every Tues night and 4th Saturday of the month	Come Dance With Me	Brogo Hall	7.30pm
Every Wed night	Free Pool	Cobargo Hotel	
Thurs and Frid	Raffles	Cobargo Hotel	
Every Saturday morning	Tilba Growers Market	Central Tilba Halls	8-12noon
Art In The Triangle			
Ivy Hill Gallery 4-28 June	Christine McMahon, Bob Georgeson and Sonya Jacob	1795 Bermagui Road, Wapengo	10 - 5pm Friday to Monday
Narek Gallery Until 14 June	Richard Raffan	1140 Tathra-Bermagui Road Tanja	Friday-Monday 10.30-5.30pm
Gallery Bodalla Until 13 June	Shared History Exhibition	Heritage Post Office Building Princes Highway Bodalla	10-4pm Thursday to Sunday



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