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Well nothing much has changed here in Wamboin since the last Whisper. The world is still nuts, things are sort of restarting although we are all holding our breath and closely watching Victoria and now pockets of Western Sydney. At the moment it seems the best advice is just to stay at home on weekends and get all those projects done ready for summer. What a great time to pay some attention to the paddocks and gardens and fix all those little things you have been meaning to do. Where's that list gone!

Fireworks – Just a follow up note to say the bonfire and fireworks have been cancelled for 2020.

Mining Exploration – There has been a recent application for mining exploration lodged that covers part of the Bywong and Wamboin areas. The licence is known as ELA5956 of the Capital Gold Project by Aruma Resources Limited. The link to the application can be found at: <http://commonground.nsw.gov.au/#!/title-map/Show%20All%20Resources/Exploration%20Application/Standard?z=9&lat=-34.93998515156043&lng=149.42092895507815>

Mining exploration licenses are not a new thing for our area and with a history of past mining in the region and the current gold prices, new levels of interest have been raised in many places that were once sources of gold back in the 1800's. It should also be noted that there has been previous exploration licences granted before this one in our area. At the moment there is not much we can do in this early exploration phase as it will probably be non invasive desk top data gathering and airborne geophysical surveys. These are commonly used in mineral exploration projects to measure data that can be processed and enhanced to provide information on the underlying geology. The surveys can measure natural earth fields, such as magnetism, radioelements and gravity, or induced fields such as electromagnetism. These initial surveys are typically undertaken using low-flying aircraft. We are certainly promoting strong community engagement and a combined representation from both the BCA and WCA on this matter. The Associations have contacted the mining company involved to establish a point of contact. We will keep you posted but please keep in mind this is only exploration at this point and the chances of finding a new commercially viable deposit is very slim. Please check our website of Facebook page for any updates. As a note Council is not involved or required for approvals at this stage of the exploration as it is a State Government process.

National Science Week 15-23 August –you might wonder what this has to do with Wamboin? Well this year they are doing a satellite selfie from space and most of Wamboin is included in the coverage area. You may want to do something on either 17th, 19th and 21st of August to be recorded on a photo from outer space. Resolution is down to an A3 piece of paper. More about the links can be found on page 9 of this Whisper or at <http://inspiringtheact.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Satellite-Selfie-How-To-Guide.pptx.pdf> Let's put Wamboin on the map from space.

Meeting with the Mayor – I recently had the chance to sit down with Mayor Tim to talk all things Wamboin. I expressed how appreciative we are for the recent works on Macs Reef Road and what a major difference they have made. We also talked about a local tourism initiative and we will keep you posted if it gets some legs.

Wamboin Home Produce markets – The markets are still closed for August but depending on how the Covid-19 restrictions play out we are currently reviewing options for September. As you know the Covid-19 situation is a moving feast day by day and it is difficult to forecast events in advance. Keep an eye on our Facebook page and our website for updates and details

Election Result– Well the Federal By-election was run and won. This time around the seat stayed with the incumbent Labor party and the ex-mayor of Bega, Kristy McBain made the cut. There was a 0.49% swing against Labor and the results were as per the below table with only 689 votes separating the two parties. Once all this pandemic is over we will look at inviting Kristy to a WCA meeting to meet the locals.

Candidate	Party	Votes	Margin	This election (%)	Previous election (%)	Swing (%)	Status
McBAIN, Kristy	Labor	47,809	689	50.36	50.85	-0.49	Elected
KOTVOJS, Fiona	Liberal	47,120	-689	49.64	49.15	+0.49	

WCA Meetings –We are currently conducting on line meetings via Zoom. Our meetings are on the third Tuesday of the month (next one 18th August) at 7.30pm. If you would like to participate in a meeting please contact our secretary David McDonald at secretary@wamboincommunity.asn.au and we can provide login details.

Thursday Drop in Group - The Thursday drop in group is very close to recommencing. Keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for details. **We are still Wamboin !!** - Peter Evans – Isolated President.



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**Bywong Community Association News – August 2020
Annual General Meeting – Bywong needs YOU!**

Tuesday 15th September 7:00pm at the Bywong Hall, Birriwa Road. Refreshments provided. The Bywong Community Association (in a “normal year”!) organises a number of community events, including the Car Boot Sale, the Trivia Night and the Christmas Gathering. We also raise funds from the sale of local artwork (postcards and teatowels) and use these funds to benefit the community and to add to our local facilities, such as the amazing playground at the Bywong Hall.

We are an enthusiastic group, but few in number, which limits our potential. So, if you have ideas and energy to help organise and participate in community activities, we invite you to join us! Membership is free, and you can also join the Committee. All Committee positions become vacant at the AGM. If you would like to find out more, on the Committee, please email president@bywongcommunity.org.au, or just come along to the AGM.

Bywong and Wamboin WHEELY CHALLENGE: Now’s the time to put on your creative hat, **unleash your inner artist, and start imagining your entry to the Bywong and Wamboin WHEELY CHALLENGE.** The brain-child of Bywong artist JP Favre, the competition has \$300 in prizes for different age groups and the rules are simple:

- Make a sculpture / montage that includes at least one old wheel (car, bike, trolley)
- Display your creation on the boundary of your property where it is visible to passers-by.

Come on, Bywong/Wamboin: if enough of us join in, we can turn the locality into a ‘rural sculpture park’! More details, including important dates, entry categories and **PRIZES** are on the flyer at right. Stay well and stay connected to friends and acquaintances in the area.

- Mike Wilkins, President, Bywong Community Association, 0417458320,
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Well, here’s your chance to get ‘wheelie creative’ and build a sculpture: it can represent something obvious or be an abstract collection of bits and pieces. You can weld, glue, paint, polish, bend and twist...we don’t care as long as it has at least one wheel!

Kids, as well as one prize for Best Local Sculpture, there will be prizes for Best Primary Student Sculpture and Best Secondary Student Sculpture, so nag mum and dad if you need help to build your creation! Each of the three prizes will be \$100

To enter, send us a photo of your sculpture (which must be mounted and displayed near the entrance gate of the property, where passers-by can see it), along with your Name, Age, Address and your Sculpture’s Title to: wheelsculpture@bywongcommunity.org.au.

Competition entries will close on 31 October 2020.



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August 2020

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EVENTS, so you can plan ahead

6 August	Trivia, Happy Hour & Pizza Thursday
8 August	Truffle Dog Hunt n Lunch 130pm
20 August	Trivia, Happy Hour & Pizza Thursday
22 August	Pig n Pinot by the Fireside
3 September	Trivia, Happy Hour & Pizza Thursday
5 September	The Contentious Cabaret
6 September	Father's Port by the Fire Day
12 Sep - 4 Oct	Floriade comes to Wamboin for a month of tulips, budding vines and long table lunches every Saturday!
2-4 October	Floriade Long Weekend Festival
17 October	Holy Trinity Cheese - 70's fondue 3 stinky cheeses evening \$160
31 October	Halloween Party
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Last year's devastating fire season demonstrated the significant impact that bush fires can have on communities. It's a stark reminder not only about the dangers of fire but also the importance of being prepared, and having plans to cover more than one contingency.

Members of the Wamboin Rural Fire Brigade will be available from 9am to 3pm on Saturday 19 September to help residents discuss their proposed individual preparations for the fire season as well as a personal/family survival plan. This is longer than last year as we are allowing additional time because of the need for COVID-19 precautions.

Talk one-on-one with a knowledgeable and experienced local volunteer firefighter and receive guidance on how to 'get ready' for the bushfire season. Make sure their experiences last season don't become your reality this season.

For more information on what you can do to prepare for bush fire this season visit the NSW Rural Fire Service website:

www.rfs.nsw.gov.au and www.myfireplan.com.au Nothing, however, beats personal contact and we look forward to helping you.

NEED GUIDANCE? HAVE QUESTIONS? SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER ANYTIME BETWEEN 9AM – 3PM

Wamboin Fire Station 112 Bingley Way Wamboin

(Note: COVID restrictions applicable at the time of this event will be applied including any limitation on people numbers, safe distancing rules, hygiene requirements, and registration of attendees for contact tracing purposes.)

USEFUL LINKS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Wamboin Rural Fire Brigade: <http://brigade.wamboincommunity.asn.au>

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Are you up for a Wamboin/Bywong Satellite-Selfie, 17-21 August?

National Science Week – Satellite Photos of Our Area– This Link Suggested by Wamboin Community Association

Have you ever taken a selfie? What if you could take one from space? Wonder no more, because during National Science Week this August everyone in the Wamboin/Bywong area will find out! Introducing Wamboin/Bywong's very own Satellite Selfie!

Yes indeed, a National Science Week project this year will be a satellite flying over our area, capturing images of us doing Satellite Selfies. This will happen on the mornings of Monday 17, Wednesday 19 and Friday 21 August. Three fly-overs in case there is cloud on one or more days.

The satellite resolution will be 50 cm, which means that anything smaller than that, including faces, will be entirely blurred out. The images taken will be processed before release and all inappropriate content will be removed, so keep this in mind when planning your sign to make sure that you appear in the final image.

Check out how you can be involved at <http://inspiringtheact.org.au/satellite-selfie/> and see the satellite's path over our area at <https://tinyurl.com/y57byftc>. Keep an eye on the local Facebook pages, and the WCA's website, for information about any locally-organised Satellite Selfie events.



Satellite Selfie

Get your picture taken, from space

Have you ever taken a selfie? What if you could take one from space?

During National Science Week 2020, all 420,000+ Canberrans will be invited to 'attend' from their school, home or workplace and position themselves outside for a giant photograph taken from space!

The satellite will fly over Canberra three times during National Science Week (15-23 August), and everyone will be encouraged to create large designs, posters, or logos on the ground that can be seen from space.

But having your picture taken from space can be tricky...

So we put together a few handy guidelines to help you look out of this world in your #satelliteselfie.

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Bird Of The Month

By Luke Downey

For August I chose the Brown Goshawk, one of the more common raptors (or bird of prey) in the local area that I have seen lately.

Brown Goshawk (*Accipiter fasciatus*)

Size: 40-50cm (wingspan 70-100cm)

Status: Fairly common breeding resident

The Brown Goshawk is a medium-sized raptor found in woodland habitats. Adult birds have a grey-brown back, tail and head, yellow longish legs and feet, eyes and bill and fine rufous and white barring underneath and round the neck, adjoining a rufous collar. Male and female birds look similar, with males being smaller in size. Immature birds and juveniles have a brown back and brown-white mottling underneath. They are differentiated from the very similar Collared Sparrowhawk by being generally larger (slight overlap between the larger female Sparrowhawk and the smaller male Goshawk), having a rounded tail (square in Sparrowhawk) and the facial expression is frowning/angry (as opposed to a staring look in the Sparrowhawk). Brown Goshawks, being a bird of prey, hunt small mammals, small birds, reptiles and occasionally insects and carrion. They can fly swiftly through the trees in woodlands unlike eagles or falcons which soar above the trees. Goshawks live in pairs or sometimes singly and have a large territory of a few square kilometres, which they patrol and nest in. Their nest is a huge platform of sticks in a tree. They have a distinctive “kikikiki” call which is repeated, especially when nesting and beware as they are known to swoop people around their nests.



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Wamboin Covid Curry Night –Saturday, August 14

Wamboin Curry night (this year will be known as Covid Curry Night) will not be happening in its usual format this year due to restrictions that have been placed on numbers of people getting together and the 4m2 rules. SO, this year what I am putting out there is that family/friend groups get together in their houses on the 18th with a curry and the recipe for the curries to be sent to me, electronically, dave.hubbard@bigpond.com and a "Covid Curry Cookbook" will be generated for the enjoyment of (hopefully) all. What's the general feeling? - Dave Hubbard

Time for a Change

My sister and brother-in-law, Lynn and Alan Murray, are moving back to the city after 41 years of living in Wamboin. They moved into their home in Cooper Road (which was the last street in Wamboin at that stage) in 1979 with their son and daughter. They later built and moved into their new home in Gallagher Crescent.

What different times they were in Wamboin back then, when all of the children knew each other, rode horses and motorbikes in the forest, built cubby houses in the bush, and we all collected our mail from a row of letterboxes located on the corner of Gallagher Crescent and Norton Road.

We would like to thank Lynn for delivering the Wamboin Whispers for us on the numerous occasions that we have been away at the time when the Whispers were due to be delivered.

We wish Lynn and Alan all the best in their move back to the city. – Fay and Ken Kelly

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Little Ted Makes Headlines

Little Ted is an orphaned bare-nosed wombat whose mother was killed in a road accident in June. He was rescued by Wildcare and he gained national – and international – stardom when the media became aware he was being cared for by a staff member at the Queanbeyan Police Station, Senior Constable Tori Murray, a Wildcare volunteer. Many would have seen Little Ted bouncing around the Police Station on TV news – diving into his bed, jumping and spinning with joy and following the nearest feet (that’s what they do). Photo: *Little Ted’s claws will eventually wear down, when he starts digging*



Young joey wombats are fed on specially formulated milk every few hours and sometimes it is necessary for carers to make arrangements to feed them at work. When he was very small it was necessary for Ted to go to work with his carer because he had to be fed during the day. The presence of Ted at the station naturally had police staff talking about him, which Tori noticed had “increased awareness about wildlife among police, with more looking out and checking pouches now”; for example, Tori was recently contacted for advice by a colleague who’d found an orphaned joey on the road.

Now weighing 3.7kg, Ted is no longer taken to work but is cared for at home. He is “doing really well and doing what baby wombats do”, sleeping and drinking milk four times a day: at 6am, lunchtime, 6pm and just before midnight. As Ted grows he will be paired up with another wombat and left in a large outdoor enclosure with minimum human contact until he is ready for release into a safe wombat-friendly area. As wombats grow they transfer from a diet of specialised milk onto grass, hay and pellets and similar foodstuffs. The whole journey from rescue to release can take up to 18 months, or more.

The term ‘joey’ is used for all marsupial animals, particularly for baby kangaroos and possums. Wombat joeys are, as are most young native animals, endearing creatures. Did you know wombats are related to the koala? And whilst the latter gets all the attention, bare-nosed wombats are also likely to be threatened in the future due to habitat loss, and urban and farm development.

Rehabilitating native animals requires committed volunteers. While it takes a lot of effort to raise and then release some of the larger animals, such as wombats and kangaroos, the satisfaction in doing so is immense. If you would like to find out more about becoming a Wildcare volunteer, visit their website (wildcare.com.au) or contact the 24/7 helpline 62991966 for more information. Wildcare is especially keen to recruit property owners who can build enclosures.

As for Ted’s future, Tori said: “the plan is for him to stay with us until it’s time for him to be released. We live on a rural property and have access to enclosures. We’ve raised joey kangaroos and wallabies for almost 5 years and this is the first wombat we’ve had. We decided we’d like to help more creatures. It’s different to raising a kangaroo joey that can happily hang in a bag. Ted needs to be in a large crate. He’s an interesting little chap.” Contact Wildcare on 6299 1966 for any native animal help and advice.

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Wamboin Golf – July 2020

Mahogany Ridge, Sunday 5 July. My old clobber, Tommy Gray, said to me the other day “Larry, old sport, mark my words: for all that beauty or that wealth e’er gave, the paths of glory lead but to the grave.” I said “buck up, Tommy, you’re just a bit down because the Royal’s closed”. Then, around the corner comes my pal T S Eliot with a long face, and pointing to his arms he says “these arms are not wings to fly but merely vans to beat the air.” To which I replied “Kombi Vans or Transit Vans?” But he declined to play along and just shuffled off. Which all goes to show how much the plague and its corollaries such as lock down, isolation, economic hardship and a mendicant society are getting on our nerves. And just as we thought we had it by the throat it pops up again south of the border. (Those bloody Mexicans. We should build a wall.) Then there’s all the “special pleaders” with their hands out for more and the opportunists urging governments that now is the time to invest in their cockamamie schemes to save the nation. Meanwhile the few elected democracies in the world are being surrounded by dictatorships, autocracies, oligarchies and countries you don’t want to visit, much less live in, where the citizens are fighting over the meagre and diminishing resources of their sand-blasted and disease-ridden homelands. Fortunately America, the acknowledged leader of the free world, has stepped up to the plate. Oops! I’ll read that again. Unfortunately America is in the hands of a person with the IQ of a four-be-two, the personality of a dish cloth, the vocabulary of a sulphur-crested cocky, the ethical code of a rattle snake and the vision of Mr Magoo. And Pooty’s now President-for-Life of the good old USSR. Now hasn’t all that cheered you up!

But as Dr Spooner said, golf wounds all heels. Being July, competition was for the Ted Evans Memorial GST Trophy (add 10% to your score just like Ted did to your consumption). We thank our sponsor, Jude Evans for the prizes and refreshments. It was the first day back after lockdown. The Hall was open and spirits were high. Observing strict physical distancing the goodly crowd hit the course singing songs of comfort and joy. Afterwards, back in our beloved Hall (some had to take their turn standing outside) the captain tried to call us to order but could not be understood through his mask. Eventually, with the assistance of an Auslan interpreter, he got the show on the road. The googly ball went to your correspondent who related an anecdote concerning our late friend, Ted. The dummy spit award was passed around:



although there had been many displays of temperament there were no actual tantrums to speak of. The junior comp was taken out by Robert Thompson 70/36. The winner of the senior nine hole comp was Colin Urquhart 42/29 from Nev Schroder 38/31. Colin handed the Ned

Kelly trophy over to Tim Barter but

maybe should have hung onto it. Victor of the 18 hole comp was Paul Griffin 80/64 OCB from Vicki Still 87/64. Welcome back folks!

Next month is August, named after Augustus Caesar, so we’ll all be wearing togas. Join us in your Roman apparel plus laurel wreath for a Bacchanalia of a golf day. Don’t forget: 12.15pm sign in; 12.30pm start. Come late and you will be cast from the Tarpeian Rock. In the interim, congratulations to the lady from Bega, our new MP for Eden-Monaro. At time of writing it’s still an arm wrestle between Fiona McBain and Kristy Kotvojs. Whatever the outcome, let’s hope the winner looks after the great QPR and its regional capital, Wamboin. - Larry King, golfer

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WAMBOIN WEATHER – August 2020 - rainfall and temperature records

(45 years from Cooper Road) by Christine Rieber

July Rainfall Stats

July rainfall to the 26th..... 20.5mm
 2020 total rainfall to 26th..... 399.0mm

Average July rainfall..... 51.8mm
 2019 July rainfall..... 8.65mm
 2019 total rainfall to 26/7..... 248.25mm
 44yr Av. to end of July..... 371.7mm

August Rainfall Stats

2019 August rainfall..... 15.5mm
 Wettest August..... 170.5mm in 1985
 Wettest August day..... 35mm on 7/8/85
 Driest August..... 5.5mm in 1994

Average August rainfall..... 52.9mm
 Average no. rain days in August..... 10
 Highest no. rain days..... 17 in 1981
 Lowest no. rain days. 3 in 1994 & 1995

August Temperature Stats

Hottest August day..... 20°C (twice) on
 31/8/82 & 31/8/19
 Hottest August night..... 13°C on 26/8/95
 Average day temperature..... 10.6°C
 Warmest August..... 1982
 Av. day temp. 13.8°C & nights 4.2°C
 (highest night 4.5°C in 1995)

Av. Aug. temp. 6.5°C (day+night comb.)
 Coldest August day..... 3°C on 5/8/15
 Coldest August night..... -5°C (6 times)
 18/8/10, 2014 (4 times), 4/8/15
 Average night temperature..... 2.3°C
 Coldest August..... 2012
 Av. day temp. 8.0°C & nights -1.0°C
 Aug. 2019. Av. max 13.7°C & min 1.3°C

Rainfall to 26th July 2020 was 51mm greater than the 2019 total and 151mm more than at the same point in 2019.


We gain 1 extra hour of daylight during August (from 10.2 to 11.2 hours).

The six coldest weeks following the winter solstice end on 2nd August

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It Really is a Dog's Life

Hello! It's Molly again. I hope you've all been keeping safe and well during 'lockdown'. I've been very well now that I don't have to wear that ridiculous Elizabethan collar. And I can again have cuddles with my cat brother. As you can probably imagine, I've been keeping my owner very busy as I love lots of exercise and new experiences.

I've learnt that sleepovers are wonderful! Gretta's owners kindly volunteered to look after me while my owner was incapacitated for a couple of days. Gretta and I kept them very busy –ball games, walks, car rides, dispute resolution and teaching us to share. I had such a good time that I thought twice about coming home. But I did. And I get to visit Gretta's place. It's always fun. And there's nearly always a bone to chew. I love bones. I think lamb shanks are best.

Bailey and I have had a couple of long play dates. He has a very secure yard with lots of grass and some good places to hide. He and I are very good at entertaining ourselves. We run and tumble and wrestle and sometimes have a rest (but not too often). His family can't always be outside with us as they have to do 'working from home' and 'remote learning' inside but they do play too. We can keep going for hours and hours. And hours. I think his family are amazed by how much we can play. But we do sleep well afterwards!

Bailey has been doing lessons in 'walking nicely on a lead'. He's much better than me at that. Like Wilma and Nina. I am trying to pay better attention when I have my lessons. But there are so many distractions. I'd rather play ball with Jock and Beau.

One of my favourite things is Kowen Forest. It's my adventure playground. There are many places to explore. I like it best when I go with my friends. That's meant I'm getting quite good at getting up early for Monday walks with Trixie and Bailey. It is a bit cold and one morning there was snow!!!

Gretta and I have our owners take us to the Forest most days. They love to watch our joy in running and we love to run!! Sometimes we get a bit too far ahead and we have to double back when called. Doubling back isn't always fun so I've figured out that it's a good idea to wait at crossroads – we can rest and not have to double back!! Crossroads with puddles or dams are especially good. We can have a big drink (running is thirsty work) **and** cool down while we wait. Gretta swims in the big puddles and dams. I prefer to just lie at the edges. Did you know that puddles change if there's been rain? That was certainly an important lesson for me. I went to drink at one of my favourite puddles but there'd been rain so the edge was slippery AND there was more water in it. I slipped and the water was over my head. Yikes! I had to swim to get out and I still don't like swimming. It was a big shock. I've kept an eye out at that puddle ever since.

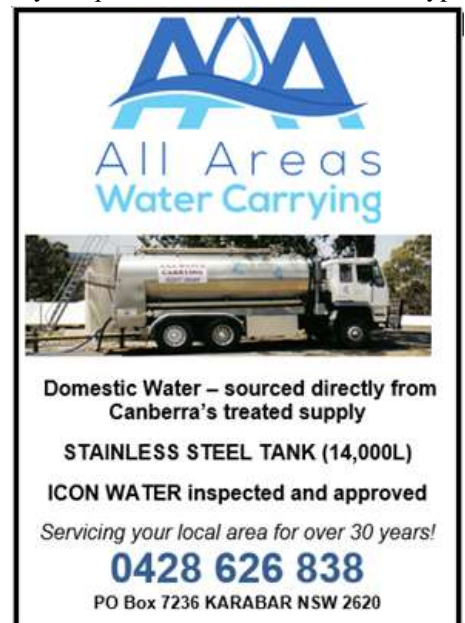
The Forest has some very pretty areas with eucalypts. They often grow where it's very steep. I like it when there are eucalypts on one side of the track and pines on the other. We can zoom from side to side chasing different smells and sometimes we are camouflaged among the mottled light. And because it's steep, there are lots of creeks. We're going to have some picnics along the creeks when the weather is warmer.

I like picnics – we have them on our day walks like when we walked to the Kings Highway. Gretta and I have a rest and some bikkies while our owners eat human food. And then I get some of one of my favourite foods – APPLES! I can sit and shake very well when the reward is some crunchy, juicy apple.

While it may sound like I spend all my time playing with my friends and leading walks, I also do work. Gretta and Trixie and I are volunteer helpers with the Wamboin Trail Runners. So is my new friend Jasper. For the Winter Trails, we did trail measuring and maintenance. We weren't allowed to help with marking. I wasn't happy being left alone while my owner did that. I got bored, even though I had my toys. So I conducted some experiments. One worked very well. I proved that the filling from a doggie bed can cover an area 10 times the size of the bed! And it takes a human about 15 times longer to tidy up than it takes me to shred a bed! My owner didn't think that a useful experiment. So I got to help with marshalling on the day. At the horse poles. I barked a bit at runners – I was told that wasn't very friendly. Sorry. I was just trying to get them to say hello as I love to say hello. I don't think they all understood that. I'll try to be better behaved next event. We've started work for that already.

I have to change my 'sign off' as The Whisper's Wamboin Muse has moved – we will miss her articles. I'm hoping I don't have to move. For now, as she used to write, "I wouldn't live anywhere else".

- Molly (with quite a bit of help from Jenny) *Full name supplied*



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The Roads of Wamboin, part 5: Clare Valley Place, Fernloff Road & Lumley Road

By David McDonald, ph. 0416 231 890, email david [at] dnmcdonald.id.au

Introduction: This article is the fifth in a series on the origins of the names of Wamboin's roads. (The Bywong Community's website has corresponding information on the Bywong roads.) It commences the nine roads that are named after their locations, local features, creeks, properties, etc. As always, readers are invited to contact me, or the Editor, with any additional information, or corrections.

Clare Valley Place: Named after the former large landholding called 'Clare', within which Clare Valley Place is located, that was developed in the 1880s by the Leahy family, commencing with small selections granted in 1874 that were later consolidated with other selections to create the property. The first Leahy family selector in the Clare Valley area of Wamboin was John Leahy (1836-1907), followed soon after by his sons John Richard Leahy (1863-1920) and Blenner Patrick Leahy (1867-1964).

'Much of the land just west of the Lake George Escarpment in the Smith's Gap area was owned in the early 1900's by the Leahy Family. The Leahys' name for their property was Clare. It included the present Clare Valley area, the present Forest Road Area, the present Brooks Creek Estate, and a good bit of the land along Gundaroo Road between Macs Reef Road and the Federal Highway including the present Summer Hill Area. They built a house on Clare in about 1915 ... Pat Reardon purchased Clare from the Leahys around 1930 ... Pat Reardon had four sons, Bede, Paul, Frank, and Les, and three daughters, Therese (Girly), Patricia, and Jean. The land purchased by Pat was divided up for the children. Les Reardon had the southwest portion including Clare Lane and Clare Valley. Les' portion was about 2200 acres ...

'Les moved into the Clare house around 1938 and was joined by his wife Moira in 1942 after their marriage. The house still stands today, [on Clare Lane] just south of Bernie Reardon's home, "Carinya Park" (Noel 1997).

The first land purchases in the current Clare Valley sub-division occurred in August 1992.

Fernloff Road The Rockhampton, Qld, *Morning Bulletin* of 8 September 1954, p. 3, published a notice: 'SHARING holiday pleasures in the Far South are two trainee nurses, Shirley Bloxsom and Barbara Denley, who left by plane on Monday for Canberra. The lasses will be away a month and they will be the guests of Barbara's aunt, Mrs R. Denley, Fernloff station, via Queanbeyan.'

Alan Robert (Bob) Denley (1894-1969) was, apparently, the first landholder in the area, taking it up as an Additional Conditional Lease in 1927; abutting his existing block located on the eastern side of the Yass River. 'Mrs R. Denley', referred to above, was his wife Mary (1894-1974).

The *Wamboin Whisper*, Dec 1982, p. 1, referred to a proposed subdivision running from Sutton Road to 'Fernloff Road'. The following year, however, the name 'Fernleaf Road' was used, perhaps in error: The *Wamboin Whisper* Dec 1983, issue #8, p. 1: 'NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY This year it will be hosted by Jamie and Anne ARMSTRONG whose property is located on Fernleaf Road.'

In c. 2001 land off Fernloff Road was subdivided, creating Robertson Road and Finn Place. The original 'Fernloff' homestead is on a block off Finn Place.

Note 'Fernleaf Homestead' <https://geoy.com/AU/6/fernleaf-114460/> at the end of Finn Place. It is reported that there was some dispute, in the early days of occupation of the subdivision, as to whether the original name was 'Fernloff' or 'Fernleaf'.

Lumley Road

Named after the nearby prominent historical property, 'Lumley', in the Macs Reef Road/Donnelly Creek area, created by the Leahy family commencing with selections granted in 1881 to Daniel Leahy (1844-1909). The homestead is on the northern side of Macs Reef Road, close to its intersection with the Federal Highway. Lumley Road's name was gazetted on 25 September 2009 as part of the development of Birchmans Estate.

'Part of the agglomeration of farmlets near Mac's Reef still loosely called "Newington" until the mid-eighties [i.e. mid-1880s] was purchased by Daniel Leahy of Bungendore (son of the Gundaroo pioneer, Daniel) who, with additions, formed it into "Lumley". In the 1890s Lumley was one of the most prominent sheep stations near Gundaroo and its shearing shed was, next to Bowylie and Bywong, the busiest in the district ... [it] was purchased after the First World War by Patrick Reardon' (Lea-Scarlett 1972, pp. 129-30). The purchaser Daniel Leahy was born 9 Jun 1844 at Gundaroo, and died 26 Dec 1909, aged 65 years, and lies buried in the Bungendore cemetery.

'Jean [Reardon] married Frank Hallam and was given the original Reardon home and property "Lumley" on Macs Reef Road, near the Yass River' (Noel 1997, p. 13).

I do not know the origin of the property name 'Lumley', but it is a surname of British origin: 'locative name from Lumley (Durham)' 'widespread in England and Wales: esp. Durham and Yorks' (Hanks, Coates & McClure 2016).

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From the Corner

Property Access—Perhaps not surprisingly, things on the Council front have been pretty quiet of late, but one of the most common ‘problems’ that I encounter arose yet again just the other day. I think I’ve mentioned previously that a former local councillor and Mayor once said to me that when he writes his account of his civic life, it will be entitled “Barking Dogs and Rights of Way”. I reckon I’ll write a follow-on work entitled “Rights of Way Too”. The most recent issue wasn’t specifically a Right of Way matter—it related primarily to the location of a driveway—but it ended up that way.

As it is generally managed by a property developer at the time of subdivision, many residents are not aware of the fact that council approval is required to provide property access to the existing road network, if not always explicitly for the construction of a driveway. While the construction of a driveway itself must generally comply with council’s Development Control Plan (DCP), access to the road network must also satisfy the requirements of the relevant National Road (AustRoads) Standards. For this reason, access points onto higher usage roads, classified and arterial roads, are generally restricted and new subdivisions, rural residential subdivisions in particular, are generally required to provide an internal road network with a single access point onto any major road. Multiple access points from a single property are also not encouraged, although additional entry points for stock movement or emergency access, certainly on larger properties, are not uncommon.

In the case at point, a resident had sought and been granted approval for a second access point to their property. The resident had assumed that, having been granted this approval, there would be no further restrictions on the use of this access point. Indeed, while it was approved as a “second access”, council had not imposed any specific conditions on its usage. However, when the resident subsequently sought to subdivide their property, and use the “second access” to the original property as the primary access to the newly subdivided lot, they were advised that this would not be acceptable.

At one level, this is simply a change of use matter and the interested reader is referred to earlier articles (or Blog posts—see below) on this subject. In the first instance, the ‘development’, the access point, was approved as a “second access” to an existing property and, under the prevailing circumstances, was considered acceptable. Changing the use of the ‘development’ to be the primary access to a newly created lot, however, brought into play additional considerations, relating particularly to the potential increase in traffic movements onto a classified road, that rendered the proposed new use unacceptable. To complicate matters even further, since the proposed subdivision would separate this “second access” from the original property, it could no longer even be considered a “second access” for that property, requiring it to be closed off entirely in the course of creating the proposed subdivision.

The upshot of all this was that the subdivision approval required the new lot to be accessed from the local road provided to service the original rural residential subdivision, not the classified road that also ran past the property. This subsequently required the subdivision proposal to be modified to include either direct access to the local road for the new lot or an appropriate Right of Way through the original property, the latter never a particularly ‘elegant’ solution for all the reasons articulated in the soon to be published accounts “Barking Dogs and Rights of Way” and “Rights of Way Too”.

Perhaps the point to be made here is that it is important to consider a development proposal in its entirety, not just as a collection of individual elements. If the “second access” had been identified as the proposed driveway for a newly subdivided lot at the outset, it would likely have been assessed quite differently and a potentially expensive misunderstanding might have been avoided.

The QPR Blog—New or related entries in my Blog (<http://peteharrison.id.au/blog>) include:

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Nature Notes July 2020

Jo Walker

Rain has been falling gently all day as I write this on the last Sunday of the month – and there was already 11 mm in the rain gauge overnight. Although there have been a few frosts, they were mostly mild resulting in only a light dusting of white. In some previous years, there has been thick ice on the dam here intriguingly patterned with deep lines and angles, but it hasn't been cold enough so far this winter to provide that display. Temperatures are creeping up a bit so it might be an early spring – although it's not too late, of course, to get a sudden cold snap.

The buds on the Wattles at my place are continuing to look increasingly yellow, but there aren't any actually flowering yet. But a few of the Silver Wattles (*Acacia dealbata*) on more sheltered properties in the area are already in full flower. It's interesting to see the effect that small differences in elevation or aspect can have on the occurrence and flowering of local plants.

Some of the *Hardenbergia violacea* (False Sarsparilla) growing beside Norton Road on the slope down to Sutton Road are bearing their dark purple pea flowers. And a few *Melichrus urceolatus* (Urn Heath) still have some of their cream flowers providing a bit of winter nectar.

I've already seen two *Wurmbea dioica* (Early Nancy) in flower on my place – and several others elsewhere in the district. These little plants – seldom more than 10cm tall – have white flowers with a maroon ring around the base of their petals. They are dioecious plants with male and female flowers on separate plants. The male flower has six prominent stamens and the female flower bears a prominent purple ovary at its centre.

A few Billy Buttons (*Craspedia vvariabilis*) are beginning to flower. And Bear's Ears (*Cymbonotus lawsonianus*) are having a good year. They have come up in large numbers on dry hillsides here and their bright golden daisy flowers, borne at ground level, are adding spots of colour to the landscape.

The Wood Ducks mentioned last time have eventually fallen silent so have probably found their ideal nest site at last. Some of the other birds seem to be contemplating nest-building. Two Sulphur-crested Cockatoos have been expanding a cavity in a large Red Stringybark (*Eucalyptus macrorhyncha*) that lost a large branch some time ago. And, a few days ago, I saw a Magpie pick up two twigs and hold them in its beak for a while.

I haven't seen an Echidna for a while, but there are evidently several around and active as most of the Meat Ant nests have extensive holes dug into them. It's also a while since a Wombat made an appearance. But twice recently there was a pile of droppings placed neatly on a rock just in front of the front gate – so at least one is still around. And, at the beginning of the month, the first Eastern Grey Kangaroo joey of the season put its tiny head out of its mother's warm pouch and peered tentatively at its future life here. Always a sign of Spring almost here.



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