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Regular readers will recall that one of our significant projects in 2021 was the provision of 30 nest-boxes to Shoalhaven City Council as part of their Bushfire Recovery Grants program. The objective was to replace habitat for vulnerable birds and mammals affected by the 2019/2020 'Black Summer' bushfires that ravaged (particularly) the Shoalhaven area and NSW South Coast.

Well, we're about to do it all again, courtesy of a recent donation from the Veolia Mulwarra Trust. The purpose of our project will be again to provide habitat for local wildlife. Working in conjunction with Wildlife Rescue South Coast and Birdlife Shoalhaven, we plan to provide the following nest-boxes:-

- 10 x Brushtail Possum
- 5 x Rosella/Ringtail Possum
- 5 x Sugar Glider/Musk Lorikeet
- 5 x Feathertail Glider

Procurement of materials and construction will commence in June and we'll keep you advised of progress. As a reminder, here is a photo of the nest-boxes provided to the Council in 2021.

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Shoalhaven Council nest-boxes 2021

In other news, we would like to express our appreciation to South Coast Stairs (SCS) in Bomaderry for their recent substantial donation of hardwood off-cuts. This timber is utilised for much of our craft work, producing unique products for our Markets stall. The support of SCS management and staff for the Shed is a credit to their community engagement and much valued.

We hosted the Regional Men's Shed Muster again last month with attendances from most of the local Sheds. An informative and entertaining morning was followed by a BBQ lunch, with all attendees benefiting from the networking and exchange of ideas.

Our "Fix it Monday" events continue to prove popular. Held on the first Monday of each month, we aim to assist local residents with minor repairs to furniture and household items.

We are currently seeking quotes to provide a high level awning over our main roller shutter door. The existing situation means that we need to close the shutter in rainy weather, summer or winter, to prevent water entry. This reduces the natural ventilation of dust and fumes, with potential ill affects on members' health. Donations and funding assistance is being sought from various local organisations so that this project can proceed later this year.

We'll be at the winter Callala Markets on Saturday 10 June. Visit us there to check out our full range of nest boxes and other timber craft. Or just call in for a chat and see what the Shed can offer you.

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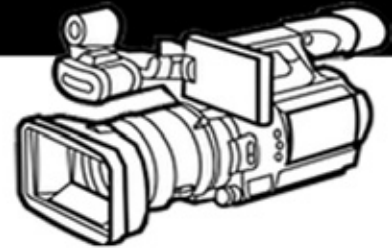


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Bushcare

Bush Care sites where our team have worked over the past month:

Callala Creek/Lackersteen St - our member with qualifications to spray herbicide has dealt with a large area of Asparagus Fern just across Callala Creek on the Beach side. Also further up the Lackersteen St site, spraying of Buffalo Grass was done. This work, along with careful digging and removing of the Buffalo is conducted at the closest point where this invasive lawn grass grows to the creek. This strategy is assisting the natural salt marsh plants to revegetate the area. Very satisfying for us to observe.

The major weed areas along Lackersteen St from the pumping station are on privately owned land, so we are unable to access these weeds. Along the nature strip area there is Lantana, Cape Gooseberry and Senna to be removed. Plus the issue of Morning Glory. I wasn't able to deal with this as I had hoped, too much for volunteer workers. There's a current enquiry to establish which section of Council is responsible for the area immediately adjacent to the footpath, hopefully a section with a bigger budget than Bush Care!

Some dumping of lawn clippings and garden waste was found along the footpath area noted above. Please either dispose of this waste on your own property, via your red lidded bin, or phone me and I can assist with disposal.

Emmett St/Boorawine Creek. We have focused on the Lackersteen St end, tackling everything bar the Pennywort. Unfortunately the strategies I have tried have had limited success with this difficult weed. We won't give up! Incidentally, around Callala, Pennywort occurs as what is termed 'a secondary weed', ie it opportunistically germinates after other weeds have been removed. Hence at the drain head adjacent to Lackersteen St, removing paspalum, Arum Lily, Paddy's Lucerne, Dock, Senna and Asparagus Fern, has now given us the Pennywort challenge!

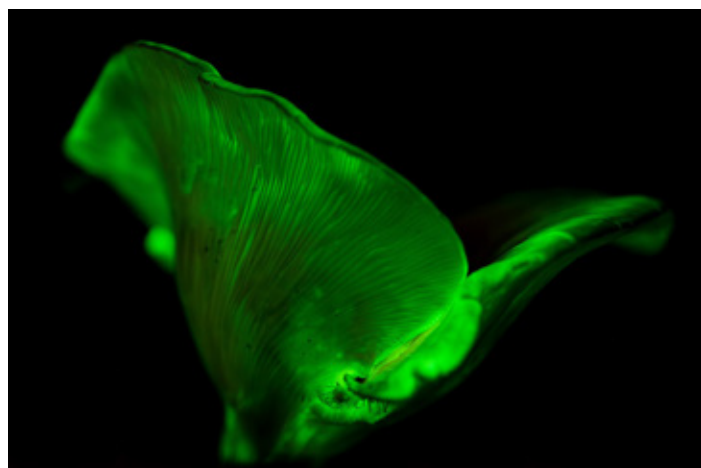
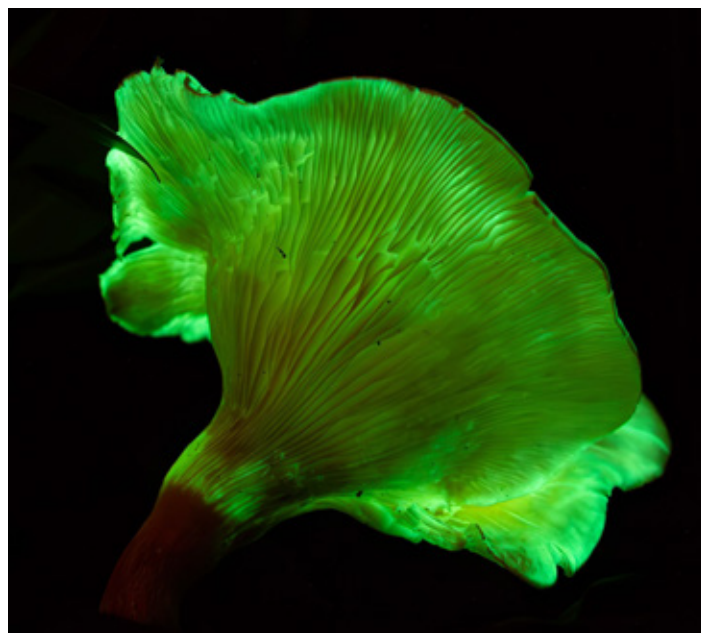
However with our Bush Care 'eyes' also see all the other, often delicate, native vegetation that is also now forging ahead in this area.

You may have noticed that the RFS Bush Fire Mitigation team have been through this Reserve clearing vegetation to leave a five metre buffer between vegetation and property boundaries. The crew have followed a 'chop and drop' strategy so the material they've cut down has been left beyond that 5 metre line. We anticipate that when the larger equipment is brought in later this year to cut and trim the large trees within the 5 metre zone, the dumped material will be mulched.

Did you get a chance to see the Ghost Mushrooms or some of the wonderful photos shared on Facebook of the green bioluminescent glow of these natural wonders? There have been a huge variety of mushrooms germinating recently due to the milder, wetter autumn conditions.

Any queries about information or opinions in this column, my [Diana] phone number is: **0419 531 902**

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Presidents Report

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The meeting held on 10 May 23 proved to be a little more interesting to those attending.

The ubiquitous topic of the Sheaffe Street pathway was again treated as an urgent matter and those attending were informed of the current progress. There is still some a way to go. While the Council appears to be strongly in favour of the path, there are some financial concerns still to be conquered, mainly because much of the funding for the footpath will need to be funded through a grant application. It is understood Council is well aware of the community's concerns, and the CBCA has to be alerted to continuing the project's promotion through the Council and the Community.

There was also a concern the boat ramp enhancement has 'fallen off' (my words) the council's radar and little has been heard of tbs project in the past 12 months or so. While there have been improvements to some of the Shoalhaven's boat ramps, the situation regarding that at Callala Bay has received no update, changes, information etc. The meeting strongly recommended the Council resurrect the project for the betterment of the Callala Community.

The Callala Community is again reminded of the importance of 'being involved'. There is only so much the CBCA Committee and others can do. However, the assistance of people with new ideas and perhaps some elbow grease to spare, would be an asset to Callala as a whole.

There will not be a General Meeting in Jun 23. The next meeting will be advised in the Jul 23 Newsletter.

If there are any items of interest, news and stories of interest to the region, please send them to Scott at editor.cbcanews@gmail.com

Notes from the Medical Centre

Smoking is bad!

We all know that, the packets tell us that is causes every type of cancer known to man. The hip pocket knows it too because of the 9.1% tax on it. Yet every day I still find people who are addicted to it. A lot of people wait until they have a health scare, they wait until they are told they have cancer and all their life plans are put on permanent hold, they can not longer walk to their letter box without getting breathless, or have a stroke or a heart attack. They wish they can turn back on the hands of time. They ask me if what has happened to them is reversible. They try to bargain with me when I tell them the damage is already done. If you are still smoking, I want to share these conversation with you now so that you take action and we do not need to have these conversations down the road. If you want help, there are options we can talk about.

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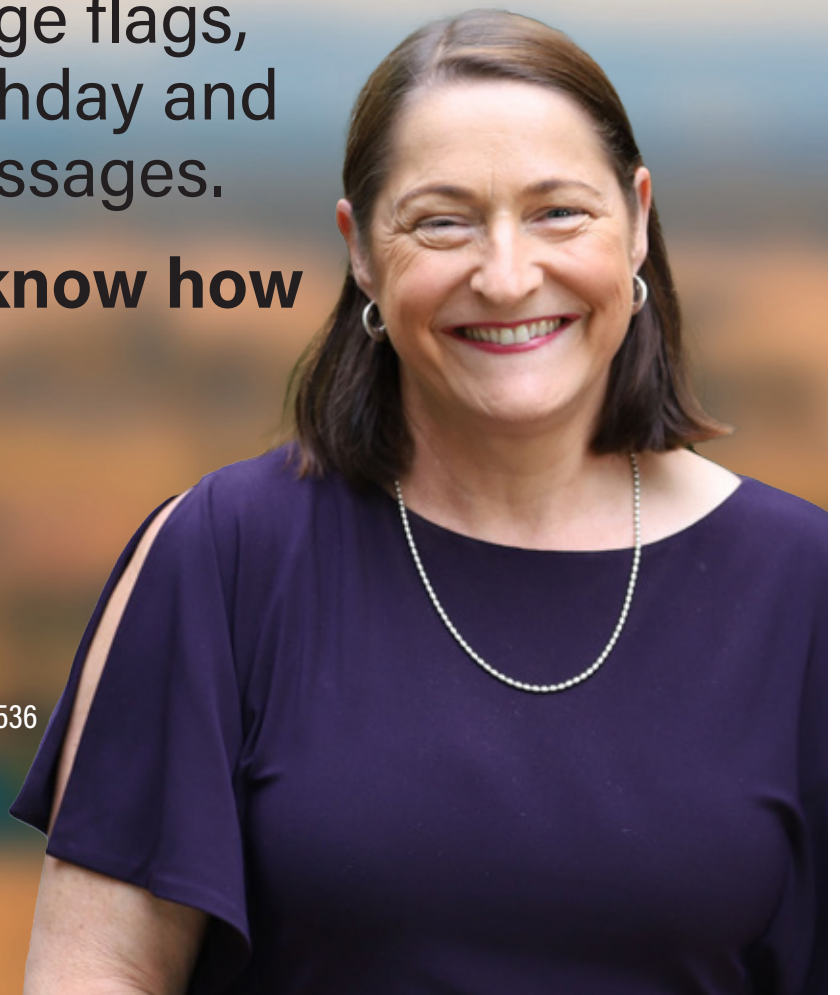
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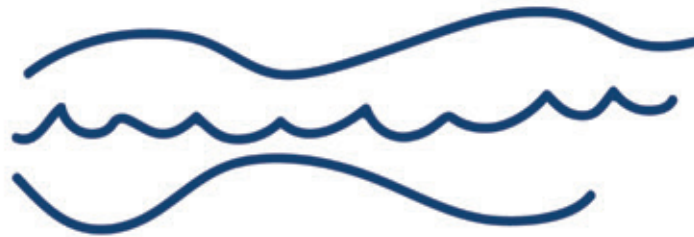
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Committee Members	Merry Dickins
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Thanks to the outgoing Committee for their diligence and hard work over the past two years.

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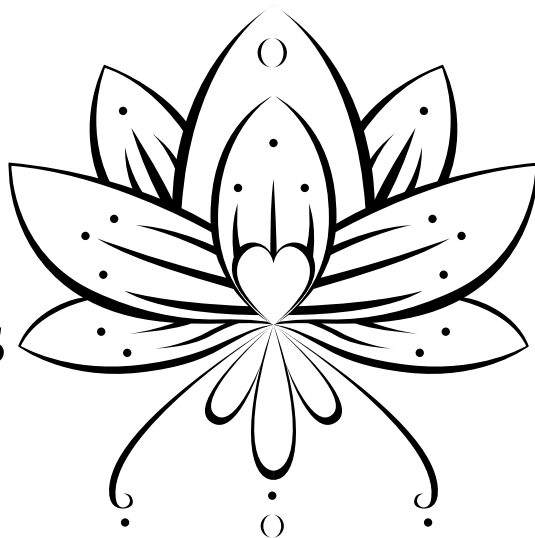
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Access Areas for Dogs Policy

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Project Status - In Progress

Estimated completion date - 30 June 2023

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A comprehensive review of the Policy is underway to ensure it responds to community expectations and relevant legislation about where dogs should be allowed to be off-leash and where dogs should be prohibited.

The Policy review process is being undertaken to enable the general public to provide feedback on the proposed draft policy to Council.

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Tennis at Callala

There has been a generational shift in tennis coaching at Callala Bay. Daisy Beaumont has taken over from Garry O'Connor (aka 'Mr O') who coached here for 27 years, from 1994 to 2022, and who coached Daisy.

Daisy is a proud local. Daisy's parents moved to the area around 1990, and she was raised in Callala Beach, Myola and Callala Bay, and attended Callala Bay primary school. She completed high school (Shoalhaven High) just last year and has now launched her own tennis coaching business. In fact, she started assisting Garry with coaching when she was only thirteen, but could not become a member of the Australian Tennis Professional Coaching Association until she turned sixteen. And then there was Covid...

With her business now all formally established, and full of enthusiasm and ideas, Daisy coaches and runs clinics in Callala Bay, Currarong and Culburra, and is also busy with primary school tennis classes at Illaroo Road and Shoalhaven Heads. In Callala she holds classes on Saturdays on the court where she played as a child, at the old Callala Bay Progress Hall, located at the corner of Wearne and Morton Streets.

Pop by and take a look if you are walking or cycling on a Saturday morning. Better still, take a class! Let's support our young locals.



Daisy also has ideas for collecting photos and stories about tennis in Callala. Perhaps Callala school could also arrange for tennis lessons with Daisy, before she gets all booked up!

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Have your say on EV charging station in Ulladulla

A public electric vehicle (EV) charging station is proposed for Ulladulla, supporting the Shoalhaven's target to transition to sustainable energy and support active and low-emissions transport options for our community.

The fast-charging station aims to address charging blackspots across the Shoalhaven and meet growing community demand as the electric vehicle market surges.

An early adopter of the EV, Mayor Amanda Findley said she was keen to hear from the community on the proposed chargers.

"I've been a vocal advocate of electric cars for many years, but the gap in charging stations across NSW can be a sticking point for people looking to make the switch," Cr Findley said.

"Ulladulla is a busy and growing township so it's critical we provide the infrastructure that helps us transition to zero emissions while supporting the changing needs of the community," she said.

Council has a policy in place <https://doc.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Displaydoc.aspx?Record=POL22/34> to help guide decision-making for EV charging infrastructure across the region. Under this policy, Council undertakes community consultation when planning new EV

charging infrastructure on public land.

About the proposed EV charging site at 85 South St, Ulladulla

- four car park spaces will be converted to EV charging bays
- chargers will use 100% renewable energy
- cost of charging sessions will be based on c/kWh (cents pers kilowatt hour) consumed
- the charger will be installed, operated, and maintained by EV Charge Point Operator, Evie Networks
- the design may include a solar canopy and battery (depending on the available solar capacity of the site).

Mayor Findley said that while there were private charging stations located across the region, Council has been working with the NSW Government and EV Charge Point Operators to identify suitable sites for public EV charging across the Shoalhaven. Council will continue to consult with the community on further charging stations in future.

Head to our Get Involved page <https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/proposed-electric-vehicle-charging-station-ulladulla> for photos, more information and to have your say before 24 May.



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DUNTROON ACT 2600

Mrs Sue Chapman

Callala Bay Community Association
39 Chapman Street
CALLALA BAY NSW 2540

Sue,

I would like to extend my gratitude to you and your club for the support provided to the Royal Military College – Duntroon’s training activity in Jervis Bay in March.

The assistance you provided allowed our trainees to exercise in an environment with multiple other stakeholders, reminiscent of operations in our near region. Specifically, we greatly appreciate your generosity in roleplaying a local community leader and conducting key leadership engagements with our trainees. This contribution was vital in increasing the realism and complexity of the training environment and preparing our trainees for their future appointments following graduation.

Once again thank you for your support and thank you for contributing to the development of our junior officers.

Thank you for allowing us to train in this beautiful part of Australia.

B. Hickey

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Commanding Officer & Chief Instructor
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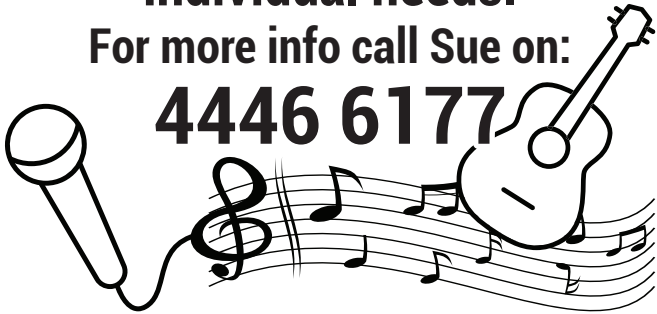
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Culburra Beach & District Garden Club Inc.

Hello everyone, At the May meeting we decided to celebrate the Coronation by hosting our own afternoon tea party. We wore our best scarves and brooches. I managed to find a diamante crown brooch from a local op shop while others wore family heirlooms. I enjoyed watching my first coronation as I was not born when Queen Elizabeth came to the throne. Only the British could pull off such a spectacular occasion where everything was coordinated perfectly. My highlight was watching Prince George as one of the pages helping his grandad with his Royal Robes.

I organized a multiple-choice quiz on the Coronation. It was fun watching members discussing each question hoping to circle the correct answer. Did you know that King Charles's favourite flower is the Delphinium and Queen Camilla's the Alchemilla Mollis?



Alchemilla Mollis or Lady's Mantle

I had not heard of this plant so google helped. It is a green foliage plant grown as a border or a path edge and blends beautifully with flowers such as roses. Delphinium flowers have showy, spiky blooms on a tall, towering stem. Delphiniums come in a range of shades and blooms may be single or double.

For the Display table we had to bring something pretty. President Bev brought a jug of flowers all in pink; one of them being a rose Black Caviar named after the racehorse. Annette, our treasurer, brought in a bunch of yellow Jonquils. We had

vases of yellow and pink Chrysanthemums and purple Ribbon Bush.

*Dear readers- a request please. We have only one male member at our garden club, and we need to rectify this now. If you are a male and interested in gardening, please join us at our next meeting June 17th.

We meet on the 3rd Saturday from Feb. – November 1.30pm at Culburra Anglican Church, Penguin Head Rd, Culburra Beach. Please bring your own cup/ mug for afternoon tea. Membership fee is \$20 annually.

**Cheers to all and happy gardening,
Doris Carpenter 4446 5631**



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Culburra Beach & District Garden Club

We meet every 3rd Saturday of month
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Penguin Head Rd, Culburra Beach.

For more details contact

Doris Carpenter: **4446 5631**

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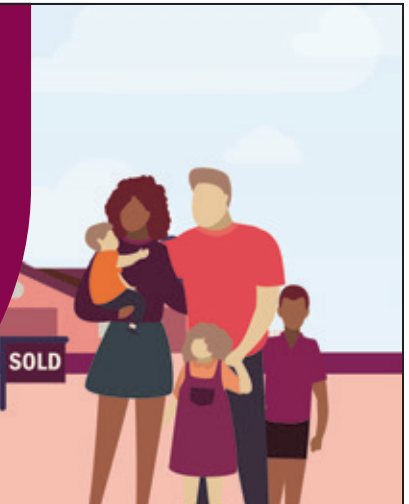
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