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#### **Note from the Editor:**

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Funding can come from a variety of sources, i.e. Grants, donations, community projects and sponsorship:

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organisations, private trusts and benevolent organisations, licensed clubs, and private companies and organisations. Support can be for a specific purchase or broad based; cash or "in kind".

Our most recent success was with the NSW Government which has agreed to fund the upgrade of the electrical reticulation to our work benches. New power points will replace extension leads and double adapters to provide a safer and more attractive work environment for members.

The Minister for Seniors, Mark Coure, attended the Shed last month to announce the approval for these vital works.



We currently have active applications with AMSA, the Federal Government through our local Member, a local private organisation and a licensed club. Hopefully, each will be successful and allow us to further develop the shed environment and our ongoing activities.

#### **Product sales:**

Our main avenue of sales for the past years has been the Callala Markets each month. We are pleased to be associated with these Markets, which continue to contribute to the local community, Their latest donation was to the local Callala Brumbies soccer team.

The Culburra Beach Markets are restarting in April (after a prolonged hiatus with COVID-19 etc) and we'll again be part of the action there each month. We have also enjoyed some success with door sales, as well as sales from our Open Days.

All product sales provide cash flow for the purchase of raw materials and tools, plus ongoing operational expenses.

How can you help and support our Shed? Some obvious answers are:

Come along and support us at the local markets. Or visit the Shed on Monday and Wednesday mornings to check out our product range.

Consider becoming a member. Your membership fees primarily cover insurance, and there's a small daily attendance fee for lunch, etc. You can attend as often as you like; you can do as much or as little as suits your lifestyle. You'll benefit from the camaraderie, skill development and social interaction.

Follow us on Facebook. We have both a Facebook page that you can follow, and a public group that you can join to be kept up to date on latest news and information.

We'll be at the Callala Markets on Saturday 11 March with our full range of nest boxes and other timber craft. Please call in for a chat and see what the Shed can offer you.



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#### **Bushcare**

Areas worked by Callala Bush Care over the past month:

It's been an interrupted few weeks for our Bush Care crew, with rain and various commitments meaning two Tuesday morning working bees had to be cancelled. The sessions we have been able to carry out have involved more work peeling back the Buffalo and tackling other weeds in the Lackersteen site adjacent to Callala Creek.

When our team leader Lesley Oliver returned for the first of those sessions after several months absence, she remarked on the coolness of the area on a warm, humid morning which is due to the increasing height of the tree canopy along the creek. Another benefit of the more lush canopy is a new resident has moved in, the largest of Australia's owls, the Powerful Owl. Two people, one living adjacent to the creek/reserve, the other a block back in Chapman St, have reported hearing the call of a Powerful Owl in the night over the past month. If you're wondering if you might have heard this owl, try googling 'powerful owl call' and have a listen to the audio on the YouTube clip.



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Although common in more densely forested areas, as the Callala area has had more housing and more trees cleared, reports of Powerful Owl calls have diminished. They are apex predators, the photo below, taken from Wikipedia, shows a Powerful Owl with half a Ring Tailed Possum. Presumably the owl is digesting the other half of the possum, or more likely, has fed possum pieces to its owlets.

The weedy Umbrella Sedge (also known as Nut Grass) which I referred to in the January column, has been producing more seed heads as follow up removal of the remnant plants didn't occur. My excuse? First (and last I hope) Covid infection.

During our latest session at Lackersteen, all Umbrella Sedge along with the seed heads, were removed. Hopefully much of the more extensive areas of this weed in Boorawine Creek Reserve will be tackled before the end of February. If you don't mind getting muddy, the benefit of the recent rains is it's now easy to remove the whole root ball with the aid of a garden fork.

And those late blooming Formosa Lilies that thought they were going to form seed heads unnoticed along our shoreline? Well I'm pleased to say most have been lopped off low down and had a dab of herbicide administered to the cut surface of the stem to finish them off.

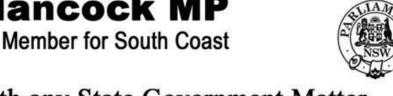
As noted previously, please feel free to contact me on my number below if you would like to give Bush Care a go. Our regular group sessions are on Tuesday mornings, but we can be flexible in site, days and timing for those who are interested in participating.

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

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#### From the President

The CBCA General meeting on Wednesday 8th February covered a range of topics- public toilets, the SCC Community Consultation Policy, progress on the Sheaffe St path and a presentation titled 'The Use of Artificial Intelligence in the detection and mapping of road defects in the Shoalhaven'. Obviously, something for everyone!!

Unfortunately, none of our Ward Councillors were present, however Councillor White attended and provided some updates. Council was having budget deliberations the following day with the Sheaffe St path the top priority in the list of pathways in the area. Councillor White and Councillor Ell are strongly supporting it. The community's repeated requests for facilities near Wowly Creek will also be included in budget considerations.

Councillor White informed the meeting that the Council's Community Consultation Policy is out for comment right now. Please read it and consider letting SCC know if you feel that there are improvements which can be made. Community Consultative Body rules are also out on public exhibition and community members are encouraged to review the documentation. Councillor White noted that CCB's without public indemnity insurance are not meeting. You will be pleased to know that CBCA is covered by public indemnity insurance. In relation to public toilets in the Callala Bay 'CBD', we were told the best option is to work with the soccer club to make better use of the toilets in the sports facility. Councillors will follow this up. A member did note that when these toilets were previously open fulltime, they suffered from serious vandalism.

A question about the future of the Callala Bay boat ramp was raised with Councillor White, who indicated that there was no decision even though some draft designs had been prepared. Action, if any, will be included in the Coastal Management Plan which is expected to be out for comment in late March.

Trevor Dando, the Section Manager for SCC works and Services, gave a brief presentation on a pilot that is currently running in the Shoalhaven using cameras mounted on Council recycling trucks which identify a range of hazards focussing on road and path damage. The hazards are rated on a severity scale and photos and other information is sent back the Council officers in real time so decisions can be on action to be taken. Trevor stated that the system saves the time of three staff who have previously been required to drive around the region and manually advise on problems for action. There is a great deal of interest in the system and Council officers are seeking

grants to enable it to continue to be used.

Trevor also encouraged the CBCA to prepare 'mini advocacy' document which highlights our top community priorities. Council officers can then refer to it when considering what to fund in a very competitive environment. We stated that the Sheaffe St path was and remains our highest priority. The CBCA Executive Committee will prepare an advocacy document as suggested which will be provided to members for their consideration.

Other matters raised:

- Meet the candidates for South Coast for the upcoming NSW State Election. Monday 20th February at 7pm at the Callala BEACH Community Hall. All welcome.
- Duntroon, which is the Australian Army's officer training institution, will be conducting training exercises in our area from around March 8 to 25th. Currarong, Callala Beach and Callala Bay as well as at Beecroft Range will see some activities and role plays being carried out by the trainees. Some members of the CBCA Executive met with two senior staff from Duntroon to find out what will be required and how many trainees we are likely to see in the Bay. Around 30 trainees may be here at any given time, supervised by senior staff, carrying out their assigned tasks. Members of the community are encouraged to talk to them so that they can demonstrate their skills in working within communities. You never know, you may just might end up being asked to be an 'extra' in a scenario! As more information becomes available, we will post it on our website and facebook pages. Duntroon will provide posters and letterbox drops and will hold information days as the time draws closer. They have run similar exercises on the east coast in regional communities with great success.
- A reminder about the tour of the new waste services facility at West Nowra which is booked for March 16. Please let the Secretary know via email if you wish to take part. Spots are limited, so first in best dressed!
- The Breakfast by the Bay on Australia Day was a great success as was the CBCA raffle. Thanks to the RFS for putting on the breakfast, to the CBCA Committee for all their hard work and our many raffle prize sponsors. We raised around \$2600 which will be used to fund activities/ events and assets for the community.
- There is a new address for our Editor- editor. cbcanews@gmail.com Please forward your letters, comments, articles, news and photos to the editor for inclusion in the newsletter.

#### CALLALA BAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Inc.

On Wednesday, 8 Mar 23 the Annual General Meeting will be held at the Callala Community Centre, 42 Emmett Street, Callala Bay.

Your new Committee will be elected so come along and be a part of your community and assist in community projects and activities.

#### From the President (Cont.)

- Membership fees are due. If you wish to vote at the AGM you will need to be a financial member.
- The Annual General Meeting of the Callala Bay Community Association will be held on Wednesday March 8 2023, at 7pm. All positions will be declared vacant and nominations can be made on the form found in this newsletter. Please note that the current President, current Secretary and current Treasurer have all stated that they will not be standing for election. In order for the CBCA to continue, it is essential that these key positions are filled. If you, or someone you know, would like to take an active role in the Callala Bay community please nominate.

I have enjoyed my time as President of the CBCA. Lots of interesting (and sometimes frustrating) things occur in our community and I have enjoyed getting to know community members. My personal circumstances mean I need to step down, but I will be happy to help the new President get started. I look forward to new people coming into the fold and bringing their ideas and experience to the CBCA. See you around Callala.

Sue Chapman



#### **Callala Markets**

There was a great display of goods, food and interesting items at the Callala Markets held on 11 Feb 23. Once again, there was a very generous donation of \$500.00 from Sandra Irwin to the Callala Bay Volunteer Fire Brigade. What a great effort from all concerned!



#### A warm welcome to new Australian citizens

Mayor of the Shoalhaven, Amanda Findley officiated at the Citizenship Ceremony with James Ruprai, Director - City Development on Australia Day 2023. There were six new citizens, and the day marks a new beginning for those who wish to call Australia home.

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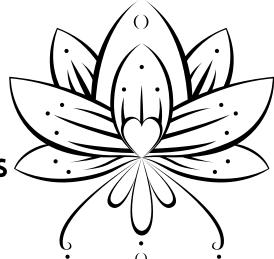
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THURSDAY

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#### **THURSDAY**

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#### **Notes from 'The Old Hall'**

Our historic old Progress Hall at 75 Boorawine Street got a new lease of life in 2022. During the Covid lockdown, much-needed repairs were done to the hall, including fixing the roof, painting inside and out, insulation, and fixing the kitchen for the tennis court. Council turned up trumps in helping to get all the work done, despite problems of scheduling because of quarantine restrictions.

On Saturday March 5, 2022, we had our grand 'reopening', with the theme 'Celebrating Community' to celebrate the community history of the hall, which began life back in 1963 with local fundraising, and continues to this day with a voluntary committee and working bees. Attendance at the reopening surpassed our wildest expectations, with wonderful local attendance, dignitaries (council members, our mayor and local federal member) and even John Hatton came with his wife to see the 'old hall' for which his support as Independent Member for the South Coast was so important in the past.

Since the reopening, the hall has been in constant use. Our regulars are back; the 'craft ladies' who are the hall's oldest continuous users, the folk dancers, yoga, tai chi and Subud. Dru yoga is a new regular. There are frequent birthday parties, anniversaries and wakes. We even have some international celebrities using the hall! Callala Bay's very own DanceSport national champions, Emily and Brad, use the hall for their practice. The tennis court is used for regular lessons and school holiday workshops.

Our outgoing committee managed all the events and reorganizing of 2022 with patience and efficiency. David Wadsworth, President, was the main link to Council, and he missed a career in the diplomatic service. Jenny Cork handled all correspondence with the efficiency of head teacher. Jo Muller as treasurer continued her long and invaluable service in this role. Sue Borrowdale kept the grounds as clean as a fire truck. The executive committee dragged the hall management into the 21st century by creating an on-line presence with a webpage and a FaceBook account.

Committee members continue to work as volunteers cleaning the hall, grounds, and tennis courts. We spent some of our saved funds to install reverse air conditioners (so our loyal users now don't freeze in winter). Our working bees – committee members with extras – are well attended. Our last working bee was on the day before Christmas Eve – and although we thought everyone would be busy, quite the opposite happened. It was the best attendance ever, and we moved a huge pile of mulch. Perhaps everyone was desperate to get away from the house and pre-Christmas stress!

At our AGM in December, we elected a new committee. Kerrin Wake from Council attended. The new executive committee is:

President: David Wadsworth Vice President: Sue Borrowdale Secretary (shared): Rob Barrel/ Cat Holloway Assistant Secretary: Jenny Lindsay Treasurer/Booking Officer: Jenny Cork Assistant Booking Officer: Anna Smallwood

In 2023, we want to focus on the tennis court, which needs some tender loving care and has great potential for new community activities.

We thank all our hall users, all the local community who continue to support us, Council, and our outgoing and incoming committees.

To contact us about bookings, you can call (02) 44464313, or make an enquiry via FaceBook (Callala Bay Progress Hall).

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WELCOME to the Callala Community Centre, conveniently located opposite the shops in Emmett St, Callala Bay.

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#### Royal Military College- Duntroon Training Exercises in Currarong, Callala Beach and Callala Bay

Over the period 07 to 24 March, the Royal Military College- Duntroon (RMC) will be conducting a training exercise in all three Jervis Bay townships and Beecroft Range. The exercises seek to simulate a peace and stability operation in Australia's near region and to test the Army's next generation of leaders in realistic and challenging situations.



These exercises are the final training activity for Army's future officers prior to graduation and is designed to develop their understanding of contemporary operations in a complex environment. During the exercise period, the public may see the establishment of temporary operating bases within the community and the conduct of military operations such as patrolling and vehicle checkpoints. The exercise also includes role players who will wear a mixture of civilian clothing and military apparel and may be carrying firearms. The community will also be requested to participate where possible as role players, bringing increased realism to the training scenarios. Blank ammunition will be used for some aspects of the training, but only in areas approved by council and police. Notification will be distributed through approved outlets about blank firing activities before they occur. Locals should not be alarmed if they see military personnel or hear loud noises during the exercise period.

The opportunity to conduct this activity in the Jervis Bay community is a privilege and the community's patience and cooperation is greatly appreciated while this essential training is being conducted. A hotline will be established upon arrival in the area to enable community members to engage directly with activity coordinators should any

issues arise. Further information will be posted in

FRIENDS OF CALLALA

Friends of Callala meet at the Callala Community Centre in Emmett St most Mondays at 12

We are a friendly group of active retirees, male and female who mee

t weekly for company, a chat, a board or other game over a sandwich and a cup of coffee/tea. We regularly visit one of the Shoalhaven cafes and generally enjoy ourselves. `Friends' was formed over 20 years ago and we are generously supported by Shoalhaven City Council.

New to the area, lonely, want to get out of the house, make new friends, why not grab a sandwich one Monday and call in, you will be made welcome. For further information give Margaret a ring on: 4446 6535 or 0448 199 713

#### **Winners All Round**

Christine Knight with her winnings from the Callala Market Raffle. The 'profit' from the raffle is being given to the Callala Soccer Club. The Callala Markets have also donated \$500 to the Soccer Club so it is a win for the soccer community and the Community as a whole. A wonderful gesture benefiting the soccer club



the coming weeks.



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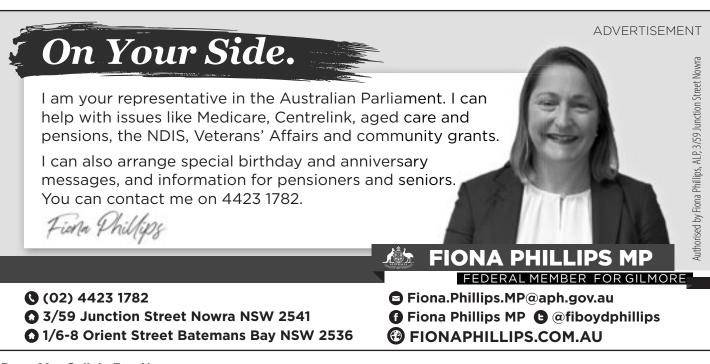
is to be held on Sat 25 Mar 23.

Did you know Callala Bay and Beach are in the State District of South Coast?

There is a 'Meet the Candidate' event at the Callala Beach Progress Hall on Monday 20th Feb 23
Commencing at 7pm

If you have a burning issue or want to find out what a candidate says he/she will do to represent the Callala area, have your questions ready and come to the meeting.







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1st and 3rd Sundays 9am till lunch time 2nd Saturday each month. Produce Stall 8.00 until Noon.

OTHER TIMES IF YOU SEE US IN THE GARDEN PLEASE DROP BY OR

CHECKOUT CALLALA COMMUNITY
GARDEN
FACE BOOK PAGE TO KEEP UP
OR

callalacommunitygarden@gmail.com

#### WHATS HAPPENING:

- 1. Saturday 4th March 2pm GENERAL MEETING
- 2. 24th February It's our Strawberry Patch Family Fun Friday Morning.

Morning Tea will be provided. It's for all the community not just members. Wear something RED with your hat and sunblock and bring the little ones.

- 3. **PRODUCE STALL** Saturday 11th March
  - a. Come and meet the team and pick up some VERRRY fresh produce from the garden. We pick it at your request. (Cannot get fresher than that)
  - b. Local Honey Jams pickles cakes also available
  - c. A selection of potted plants and seedlings, including succulents and bromeliads

PRODUCE AVAILABLE... Tomatoes, cucumbers, Silver beets, capsicums, spring onions, chives, basil and many more herbs.

Anyone is free to take any herbs they need for personal use. From the herb garden around the mailbox. Included are thyme, oregano and parsley.



CONTACTS:-

Victoria Maudson: 0424 590 105 Gail Fitzgerald: 0412 930 080 Megan Hodges: 0433 668 453 Robyn Hannan: 0417 259 392

At the beginning of February, we had a group of 20 Year 8 boys from Scots College come to the garden for a half-day working bee. The boys assisted greatly with strawberry propagation, compost relocation and aeration, and some very heavy work too!



Lots of fun and waterplay at January's Family Fun Day!

#### **GROWING NEWS**

During January we saw the healthy progress of many plants that had been impacted by lack of heat and sunshine. February has brought even more an improvement in this situation.

Our bumper crops at present are cherry tomatoes, capsicums, strawberries, cos lettuce, chives, bok choy and cucumbers. These will likely slow down soon. Green beans have produced an average crop, but again impacted by lack of heat. The eggplants were slow to get going but now have started bearing beautiful fruit. Our first cabbages have been picked. The fig trees are starting to bear fruit. Our Meyer lemon has its first





set of green fruit, while the Tahitian lime is a little less productive.

Plants growing well at the moment are rocket, perpetual spinach, shallots, beetroot, basil, silver beet, new cucumbers and radishes,

There has been a lovely array of flowers growing within the garden and these have contributed positively to garden members and beneficial insects alike. These include cornflowers, perpetual basil flowers, blue salvias, feverfew, various lilies, marigolds, bok choy flowers and calendula,

Some problems we have encountered recently include cabbage butterfly, humidity-induced leaf problems, flea beetles and scale - that other locals may find in their veggie patches. We aim to use organic solutions to manage these

We would like to thank the locals who have been contributing to our composting by depositing fruit and veggie kitchen scraps to our bin outside. It is located just on the lower side of the car park.

Save the date... SUNDAY 19TH MARCH....OPEN MORNING from 9.30 Join us for BRUNCH



Just a reminder that some of the proceeds from the sale of honey and jam is donated to the juvenile Diabetic Research Association SOME OF OUR MEMBERS ARE WALKING "RELAY FOR LIFE". There is a fun pizza fundraising evening planned for 20th March. Ticketed event \$30.00 per person with all profit going to the Shoalhaven Cancer Centre. Tickets available at the garden

#### **Warnings to Dinghy Owners**

The Council has placed a number of 'Notice of Intention' stickers on all dinghies, surf boards and other water craft located on the Callala Beach Foreshore, between the sailing club and Sheaffe Street.

It is understood the warning is for 28 days and after that period the boats etc will be removed. A copy of the Notice and a typical boat grouping is shown below.



#### **Medal found**

This medal was recently found in the Callala area. If you are the owner, please call: **0414 652560** 

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First Saturday of the Month at the Callala Community Centre 9.30am to 12.00 NOON

Clothes in good condition can be dropped off at the stall (on the day only). If clothing can be delivered by 10am; this will allow them to be displayed.

Sponsored by the Anglican Church, Callala

#### Culburra Beach & District Garden Club Inc.

Hello everyone, we had our first meeting Saturday 18th February with President Bev presiding. Twenty- nine members including visiting friends attended as the theme was Galentine's Day. This is a day for women/gals to celebrate their friendships with their lady friends. We used this day as a way of encouraging more people to attend our club. Men would have been welcomed too. I took my friend Christine from the CCG and then two other members also from this garden, Mhairi and her sister Helen, dropped in. It was lovely having them with us. For the display table we had to bring in flowers or a potted plant given to us by a friend.

During the Christmas break, my husband and I went to Norfolk Island for 10 days. It's an island full of history (a sad one as it was once a penal colony), natural surroundings and the majestic Norfolk pines first spotted by Captain Cook. We love their relaxed way of life where doors are rarely locked, where wandering cows have right of way and the ritual of doing the Norfolk wave to every driver you pass. Walking down the main street you could not miss their hibiscus shrubs which were in flower. On Norfolk Island the hibiscus flower is displayed everywherecoffee shops, restaurants, on shop counters and at reception where we were staying. Every morning there would be a different coloured one. Hibiscus is a genus of flowering plants in the family, Malvaceae. The genus is quite large, comprising several hundred species that are native to warm subtropical regions like Norfolk Island. The shrubs have large, showy flowers and are very hardy. Being versatile it adapts itself easily to balcony gardens and can be easily grown in pots. It is a perennial and flowers throughout the year, and it comes in a variety of colours. They have a tree on the island which was once known as the Norfolk Island hibiscus. However, we were informed that it is not a true hibiscus, even though it belongs to the same family of plants, Malvaceae. It is now known as the white oak . This very big tree, which was flowering throughout the island has pink scented flowers that do resemble a hibiscus flower.

In Callala there are some beauties growing – one of the most common is the large double- pink hibiscus. Whenever I see a hibiscus now I think of that beautiful south pacific island.



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

#### **Notes from the Medical Centre**

Trips, tumbles, slips and falls. Whatever you wish to call it, this is one of the biggest danger for people who live independently at home alone. Falls can lead to broken bones which leads to loss of independence. One of my personal favourite topics to discuss is osteoporosis prevention. Apart from Vitamin D supplements and plenty of dairy in our diet, for patients over the age of 70, I highly recommend a bone density test every 2 years.

Apart from age, other indications for a bone density test include: prolonged steroids use, hormone problems involving the thyroid or the parathyroid gland, malabsorption, Rheumatoid arthritis, or kidney or liver disease. If you have any of the above conditions, I highly recommend having a chat about Bone density with your GP.

If you have any questions about the above topics, please feel welcome to discuss with the friendly new doctors Dr Badlani and Dr Chowdury starting at Callala medical centre this month.

Be happy and healthy Dr Zhou

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If you would like to volunteer, please contact Manager Neroli McCusker: 4447 4084 (Shop) or 0401 466 590

At the Annual General Meeting of the Callala Bay Community Association Inc to be held on Wed 8 Mar 23, the following committee positions will be open for election.

President (Chair); Vice President; Secretary; Treasurer; Minutes Secretary; Correspondence Secretary; Historian; Committee (4);

Perhaps some of these positions could be "job share". If you would like to volunteer for one of these positions or nominate a candidate, please complete form below and return by email or mail or at our next meeting.

#### Callala Bay Community Association Inc.

ABN 68 031 980 561 P.O. Box 14 Callala Bay NSW 2540 Email: admin@callalabaycommunityassociation.com

#### **Nomination Form - Annual Election of Officers**

We hereby nominate:

First Name: Family Name: ..... The member is financial Yes No Please circle. **Note:** The member **must be financial** to be eligible to stand for any position. Signature of proposer..... Name..... Signature of seconder..... Name.... I accept the above nomination ..... Signature of nominee Date

**<u>Privacy Statement:</u>** Information given above is kept private and confidential and may only be used within the confines of Callala Bay Community Association and shall not be used for any other purpose.

#### **Australia Day 2023**

Breakfast by the Bay. What a fabulous day! Good sunny weather, great location; Bicentennial Park, Callala Bay. With the community and visitors coming together to celebrate all that it means to be Australian and to appreciate that we live in one of the best places, in the best country.

We enjoyed a delicious breakfast of egg and bacon rolls, or sausage sangers for the kids, provide by Capt. Sue Borrowdale and her crew and helpers from the Callala Bay Rural Fire Service. Huge thanks to all who made a generous donation on the day. We were entertained with good old Aussie music sung by Kenny and Amanda to help us get in the spirit of the day. This was their seventh year of performing for us and looking forward to next year. The kids were entertained again this year by Magic Daniel. It could have been his 7th year also. Hot coffee and cake by Bumpy Road Catering, was a must. Big thankyou to Shoalhaven City Council who each year make this event possible with a grant to cover costs.

We were chosen and honoured to host the Australian Citizen Ceremony where our Mayor Amanda Finley presented Citizen Certificates and gifts to 12 of our nation's newest citizens after a welcome to Country and acknowledgement of our first nations people who inhabited this area. Sunny sky and the blue water of Callala Bay, in the shade of towering gumtrees, what a location.



One of the major fundraising opportunities for the CBCA is our Australia Day raffle. It was most successful with great prizes, many donated by local businesses and members of the community. Our amazing ticket sellers commenced before Christmas and took the opportunity at our fundraising sausage bbq outside IGA, two Saturdays in January. Its was a great opportunity to engage with our community.

An amazing event such as this could not go ahead without the planning, organization and work of the CBCA Committee and members. A huge thank you to all who worked to put on this event or contributed in some way. Looking forward to next year.

John Fowler



#### Callala Bay's secret cycling champion- Cassie Lowe

Cassie has been a resident of Callala Bay since 2012, coming to town from Yass. She made the sea- change here because of the area's natural beauty and the fantastic climate. She has continued in her profession as a draftsperson, working on many local and regional projects since arriving.

But most people have no idea that Cassie had a short but amazing career as an ultra- distance cyclist in the late 1990s until 2001. According to Cyclingnews in 2001 "Cassie Lowe is virtually unstoppable on her bike. It seems every event she enters, she wins. She is, without doubt, the best women's ultra-distance cyclist on the planet".

So what drove Cassie to compete in the Race Across America several times, as well as many other events such as the Devil Mountain Double in California, climbing 18,000 feet in 13 hours and La Grenobloise in France climbing 4000metres? She wanted to see if she could do it!

Although Cassie was always involved in sport as a youngster, it was seeing American woman Susan Notorangelo on Wide World of Sport and talking about her participation in the Race Across America that fired her imagination. She started training by riding around and north of Sydney (often in the dark). Long distance cycling was not 'a thing' in Australia at the time and few people knew about the RAAM race. Cassie had very little financial backing and no support team when she decided to base herself in the USA for 6 months to do the qualifying rides and to get acclimatised. The Aus \$ at the time was worth about 50cents USD! With no sponsor she had help from a friend and used her savings to go and follow her dream.

The qualifiers are tough- one was 508 miles through the desert in 35 hours with temps into the 40's; the Elite Tour was 200 mile/day for 14 days from the west coast to the east coast There were many others. She needed to be able to do 500kms every 24 hours to be competitive in RAAM. And she needed to find a support team. She exceeded all expectations, found a great team of six and determined that she had what it took to be the best.



In 2000, Cassie raced across America with 101,000 feet of climbing, over 2975 miles in 10 days. She came first in the women's division and 7th overall. In 2001 she did it all again winning the women's solo RAAM and coming 4th overall in the event.

In the three years between 1999 and 2001 Cassie won a myriad of ultra-distance events in Europe and the USA. She was considered a rock star in the cycling world overseas, but was, and remains, virtually unheard of in Australia. How amazing that she lives here in Callala Bay!

Although there were no family members into cycling at the elite level when Cassie decided she was going' to go big', it must be in her genes, as many years after her success Cassie discovered that she is related to Arthur Richardson, the first person to cycle right around Australia.

Cassie had achieved her goal- 'to see if she could do it'. Then it was time to get back to reality, go back to her profession in Australia, and her family, and live with cycling for pleasure over much shorter distances!

Cassie looks back on that time fondly and says she learned a fantastic life lesson- that you have more inside you than you might ever envisage. I am thrilled to have heard just a part of her story. I hope you do too.

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#### **Regular Community Users**

Dru Yoga: Monday (2:45pm) Craft Group: Tuesday (10am)
Folk Dance: Tuesday (2pm)
Subud: Monday and Thursday (7:30pm)
Yoga: Thursday (9:30am)
Advanced Tai Chi: Saturday (8am)

**Tennis Lessons: Saturday (midday)** 

Lyn ph 0419427574 Ývonne ph 444 66 280 Maureen ph 444 66 550

Anna ph 0405 102 234 Jenny ph 04477 43179

Daisy 0490 537 551

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#### **COMMUNITY CONTACTS**

**Emergency Police Fire Ambulance: 000** 

**Nowra Police Local Area** 

Command: 4421 9699

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

(anonymous reporting)

Police Assistance Line: 131 444

(non emergencies)

State Emergency Service: **132 500**Jervis Bay Marine Park: **4441 7752**Callala Doctor's Surgery: **4446 5350** 

**Shoalhaven City Council** 

General enquiries, business hours: 4429 3111

Emergencies and after hours: 4421 3100

**Justices of the Peace** 

Howard Duncan: **4446 6535** Robyn Hannan: **4446 4428** 

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**Culburra Beach & District Garden Club** 

We meet every 3rd Saturday of month

Feb-Nov at 1.30pm

**Venue:** Culburra Anglican Church Penguin Head Rd, Culburra Beach.

For more details contact

Doris Carpenter: 4446 5631

#### **Culburra & Districts Community Health Service**

Visit the Op Shop and pick up a bargain! Proceeds help maintain the Medical Bus that transfers people to Nowra for medical appointments from Greenwell Point, Culburra Beach, Callala Bay & Beach, Currarong and Myola.

Please contact Culburra Pharmacy on **4447 2382** to arrange transport.

#### Culburra Beach & Districts Men's Shed

Every Monday and Wednesday from 9am to 1pm, beside the Banksia Community Hall, Fred Evans Lane, Culburra Beach (IRT entry).

More details contact Ray Sutton:

0499 452 095

**Culburra Beach Orient Point Men's Shed Inc.** 

Location: Old Scout Hall Cnr West Crest

& Wollumboola Lane

Open 8:30am - 1pm Tuesday,

Wednesday & Thursday

All enquiries:

John Castellan: 0498 023 781

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