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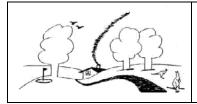






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Wamboin Community Association President's Paragraphs



Hello everyone. March is such a busy month so there are a number of items to report in this April edition of the Whisper.

AGM Meeting– Our Annual General meeting was held on Tuesday 18th March. This is when we hold our elections for office bearers for the following 12 months. The results of those elections are as follows:

- President Jenny Richards
 Vice President Peter Evans
 Secretary John van der Straaten
- Treasurer Keith France Committee Member Jenny Warren Committee Member Lance Schulz
- Committee Member David McDonald.

It should also be noted that John van der Straaten has agreed to fulfil the role of Public Officer.

Welcome to those people who are new to the Committee and for those members who have served on either the Executive or the Committee in the past year but for various reasons have not continued we thank you for your past efforts and know you will continue to make valuable contributions to our community. A full report of the AGM is available further in this publication of the Whisper.

Road works on Norton Road – It came as a great surprise to us at our last meeting that the Palerang Shire Council are proceeding (quite rapidly) with the proposed road works along Norton Road from approximately the Fernloft Road turnoff down to the Sutton Road exit. This necessitated a very hastily organised public meeting on Wednesday 26th March held at the Community Hall at 7:30 pm so that Council representatives could explain what was about to happen to the road to local residents particularly those most affected by the upcoming road works. The meeting was well attended with approximately 90 local residents braving the rainy night to listen to the Director of Works and engineers explain their proposals. A full report of this meeting is supplied further in this copy of the Whisper. Work is due to begin in early April and since this has the potential to affect many of the residents of Wamboin I would recommend that people examine the WCA website and the Wamboin Newsgroup for advisory notices relating to this. Several members of the Committee worked with Palerang Council to schedule an information and consultation meeting at the WCA Hall on March 26. Over the weekend of March 21-23, a dozen or so residents volunteered and mailboxed an invitation to this meeting for the 600 or so residents judged, on the basis of their home's location, likely to be most severely inconvenienced by the roadwork.

Mobile Telephone "Black Spots" – The WCA has made submissions to the Minister for Communications about our poor level of mobile communications . This has been acknowledged but as yet there are no obvious plans to resolve the poor communications in Wamboin. That's all from me for this month. See you again next issue. -- Jenny Richards (President)





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Bywong Community News

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Darryl Bourke, President This News Put Together by the Bywong Committee



What Gods have we offended? For the first time in 19 years, we have had to postpone the Car Boot Sale, as risks to the grounds were too great following our recent rains. The Hall grounds and the parking areas kindly donated by two of our neighbours were just too wet to risk further serious damage.

The famous event has now been re-programmed for 4 May, so be quick to get it into your diaries. Perhaps we should start earlier with the Gods – perhaps a maypole, or a local Queen of the May?

This year the committee clarified some matters of insurance before the event. It was agreed that any commercial entities would be required to hold their own insurance, and that stall holders should be advised that the Community's insurance cover did not cover them. To comply with insurance requirements, no vehicles are to be moved during the hours of the Boot Sale).

A Good Old-fashioned Hop: "When is the next one?" was the common question as dancers and spectators left Sutton Hall last week after the first supper dance jointly staged by the neighbouring communities of Sutton and Bywong. All agreed that the music was great, the home-made supper excellent and the company terrific. Highlights were a hilarious "Nutbush City Limits" line dance which spectators enjoyed equally with the dancers and a traditional progressive barn dance. Bywong faces



Come and have a good time at Bywong's biggest community event of the year. Over 100 stalls selling things you couldn't live without. If you have things you can live without, why not get a site for \$15 and make some money in the process. Fun for the kids with plenty of toys and books on sale as well as rides. Enjoy a cup of tea and cakes inside our hall. View demonstrations by your local fire brigade. Enjoy dogs and horses and maybe more exotic animals on display.

The Car Boot Sale is a not for profit event and it is free to the public. Money raised from the event is primarily donated to the Fire Brigade but also to other groups within the local community.

We thank our local business's for their generous support in prizes for the raffle. If you would like to become a sponsor and donate a prize, email Pauline on 'paulinechambers@yahoo.com.au'

If you want to become a seller and need a site contact Greg Gougeon on 62369841 or email to 'bywongbootsale@y7mail.com'. Alternatively you can turn up on the day by coming to the Les Reardon Reserve, Birriwa Road Bywong before 8am and be fully set up by the start of the event at 9:00am...See you there

were a welcome presence among the dancers and Bywong Community President Darryl Bourke drew raffle prizes from "Little Bridge" wines and Robyn Rowe chocolates. The evening raised \$800 for the community.

Clean Up Australia: Loyal workers appeared on Macs Reef Road and Bungendore Road on the day, and some had done their stint in advance. The results were certainly noticeable, but an over-abundance of rubbish has still left a few stains on our landscape. The attendance at the Community's lunch-time barbecue was disappointing in spite of delicious gourmet offerings and organisation by Jean-Pierre, and we may have to consider other alternatives. We hope earlier advertising might help with our roll-up.

Pony Club: Unfortunately we missed seeing our local Gearys Gap riders in action at the Car Boot Sale, but shall look forward to doing so at the postponed event on 4 May. Six riders competed at the Canberra Show and Gearys Gap was placed second in the combined training teams' event at the Zone Equitation and Dressage. The Club ran the BBQ at the Queanbeyan Rodeo, demonstrating their involvement in community events and proving a good fundraiser for the club.

First Aid: The Community has bought a first aid kit for general use, which has now been installed in the Hall. It is available to users (but we hope not needed by them).

Next Meeting: The Community's next meeting will be at 7.30 pm in the Bywong Hall, Birriwa Road, on 14 April. All locals are welcome.

The Wamboin Firefighter



The Wamboin Firefighter newsletter is produced by the Wamboin Rural Fire Brigade for the benefit of residents and property owners in the brigade's area i.e. the localities of Wamboin and Bywong, plus Sutton (south of the Federal Highway) and Bungendore (along and west of the Lake George escarpment).

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Outside the declared Bushfire Danger Period a **Fire Permit** is not required to burn off in the open. <u>But,</u> if you do plan to light a fire in the open, you must:

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BUSH FIRE PLANNING

Before you light that Fire! The statutory Fire Season ended at midnight on 31 March. However, before any of us lights a fire in the open from now until 1st October there are a number of things to consider. There are significant penalties if an illegal fire is lit, or if the fire escapes and causes damage to property or the environment. There is a statutory obligation to (1) advise our near neighbours, and (2) give the Lake George Zone Fire Control Centre in Queanbeyan (6297 1840 during business hours only) at least 24 hours' notice of our intention to conduct a burn. This applies no matter how big or small the fire may be. The area around the fire **has** to be cleared of any flammable material, suitable clothing **has** to be worn and you **must** be able to control the fire. If in doubt you can:

- Ask the Fire Control Centre (6297 1840) for additional advice;
- Ask the Brigade Captain, Richard Hobbs (0409 991 340), for copies of the RFS pamphlets "Lighting a Fire Quick Facts", "Before You Light That Fire" or "Standards for Pile Burning".
- View and download the same pamphlets from the RFS website at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.

Remember, the Captain (0409 991 340) is always there to offer advice – its free and friendly! BUT if you do happen to lose control of your fire then don't hesitate to **call 000 immediately**.

PROPERTY PREPARATIONS

It's time, to start planning your bush fire protection projects for the cooler months. Some suggestions include:

Norton Road Rehabilitation

by Pete Harrison

As many of you will now be aware, Palerang Council will be undertaking major road reconstruction works on Norton Road, between Sutton and Fernloff Roads, over the next three months (April–June, 2014).

The scale of the project is likely to have some considerable impact on traffic movements through this area of Norton Road. While the recent Macs Reef Road rehabilitation project saw that road closed for several weeks, this option is not seen as practical in the present case due to the lack of a suitable alternative route to Queanbeyan. Nonetheless, the works on the Norton Road hill, in particular, will be of such a scale that extended delays for vehicular through traffic will be inevitable.

With Norton Road's experiencing in excess of 2000 vehicle movements per day, and the physical constraints of the environment on the hill, we're going to be working out the traffic arrangements very much as we go along. There has been some consideration given to ensuring that the road would be open on the half hour, to provide some level of certainty for people using the road, but at this stage it's not clear whether or not that will be practical—either because we will need to let vehicles through more often (during the morning peak period), or because works cannot easily be scheduled this tightly.

Special arrangements will be made to allow the school buses through each morning and afternoon, so bus delays will be negligible. All vehicles will be able to get through the road works at these times.

Residents can help by simply avoiding the western end of Norton Road as much as possible while the road works are under way (see below for comments on alternate routes). If you have to use this part of Norton Road during 'council work hours', please allow for up to 20 minutes delays, particularly in the early stages of the project when excavations are under way. Council will do everything possible to monitor traffic levels and avoid unnecessary delays during peak travel times.

At this stage, the plan is to work to a standard working week, Monday to Friday, 7.00 am to 4.00 pm, with RDOs as applicable (i.e. there will be some Mondays where there will be no activity). When no works are being undertaken, the road will be open for normal traffic. The current expectation is that there will be two-way traffic, although the speed limit in the area will be 40 kph for the duration of the project, 24/7. While the site is 'active', however, vehicles will be escorted through, in one direction at a time.

I've prepared the following table to provide an indication of travel times through Wamboin, via Norton Road or via Weeroona Drive/Macs Reef Road. The times listed are estimates of the extra time it would take to travel from the listed intersections on Norton Road, via Weeroona Drive/Macs Reef road, avoiding the Norton Road road works.

From	Additional Travel Time (min) to			
	North Canberra	Queanbeyan/South Canberra		
Bungendore Road	-	3		
Weeroona Drive	1	13		
Bingley Way	6	18		
Poppet Road	9	21		
Fernloff Road	11	23		

Please check the WCA website for current traffic arrangements. We will endeavour to advertise any changes to arrangements there. Questions or comments in the interim may be directed to the Director of Works, Mr Gordon Cunningham on 6238 8111 during business hours, or failing that your local councillors, Crs France and Harrison (see front page for contact details).

Editor's Note: On the "outside" of this and the next 4 of the A3 double sided sheets that make up this issue are, thanks to Palerang Council's Engineering Department, 5 drawings which together describe the Norton Road Upgrade in some detail. Colour copies can be found on the WCA website at www.wamboincommunity.asn.au. There will be a link to these drawings, probably in the news section of the website. Readers with an interest in the work and a long stretch of table top or floor or wall may wish to gently remove the Whisper's staples, as the drawings fit together to show the whole project.

One reason for including these drawings in the Whisper is to illustrate the complexity of this project. If you were working on it, trying to do it properly, within your budget, and expeditiously, you'd probably be appreciative every time a resident decided he or she could manage go the long way around rather than add one more car or truck to those queuing up to be guided safely through your complex and steep work area.

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Wamboin Pony Club - March

The past two months have been very busy at the Wamboin Pony Club. We have had 2 rally days a month on Sunday's which have been well attended by our members. Our rider's ages are mixed from around 7 to late teens and our friendly club



atmosphere means all members feel welcome and supported no matter what age or experience riders have. Each rally day our members work through different activities which help give both horse and rider valuable practical experience with others who share a passion for horse activities. The past weeks have seen jumping practice, dressage and flat work, polo cross and Mounted Games. April will see many of our riders attend the zone 16 camp down at Bungendore Showground. This is a week of intensive riding where up to 200 horses and riders from around the greater Canberra area gather and in groups practice all aspects of horsemanship. A week at camp equals months of riding experiences as guest instructors help to hone skills.

So if you have access to your own horse and are aged from 5-25 come along to enjoy the company of other riders and see what Wamboin Pony Club has to offer. Rally days are a great social day out. Not only do you have fun riding, there is always a BBQ lunch for you and the family too. Our club has dedicated volunteer instructors who will not only help your riding improve but make the day enjoyable. Wamboin Pony club usually meet's once or twice a month on Sunday's at our grounds near the end of Canning Close from you would like some information about Wamboin Pony Club and our upcoming rally days contact our club secretary Jenni on 62383313 or go to our website: www.wamboin.pcansw.org.au, we hope we will see you soon. - Steve Quick

10am - 3pm. The next Rally day after camp Sunday 11th May a special Mothers Day Rally which will include a special lunch, so if you are interested come along and see all that Pony Club can offer. We would love to have some more riders' join us. If

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Clean Up Australia Day Report

By Lofty Mason

Unfortunately the package from Clean Up Australia did not arrive however we managed to run a very successful day. Pleased to report that 29 volunteers registered on the day. The main focus was on Norton Road, which was in a very untidy state. Side roads had relatively small amounts of litter. Due to the number of volunteers we were able to clean up 31k of roadway with over 2 tonnes of rubbish collected. Palerang Council loaned 10 Hi Viz jackets and 3 warning signs. They also have offered to donate \$70, which is used to supply drinks, nibblies and sunscreen to the workers. Special thanks to Steve Richards who used his one tonner to pick up the collected rubbish and transport it to the Macs Reef Tip.

After all this effort I was disgusted to note that 5 days later at least 7 new pieces of rubbish were thrown out in Norton Road between Bingley Way and Sutton Road. These all seemed to be items from takeaways. What to do? Perhaps we ask people to report the number plate of any vehicle seen throwing out litter.

Any better suggestions to prevent litter are welcome.

Two May Concerts in Bywong

Richard and Joan Milner will present two concerts in aid of Hartley LifeCare (providing support for the disabled) at their Bywong home during May. The first will be on **Saturday May 3 at 2.00 pm** with Austral Harmony, a duo consisting of Peter Hagen (harpsichord and organ) and Jane Downer (oboe and oboe d'amore), both professional artists with international reputations. Austral Harmony's concert, entitled "Fantasia", will include music by JS Bach and some of his pupils such as Krebs, CPE Bach, and Homilius. The concert will include settings by Krebs and J S Bach of the famous chorale 'Jesu, my joy', one of JS Bach's celebrated trio sonatas and a fantasia for keyboard by CPE Bach. This is a rare opportunity to hear two outstanding professional musicians in an intimate music room in a private house in the bush.

Secondly, on the **weekend of May 24 and 25 at 2.00 pm,** Bush Baroque will present "Dowland and the English Tradition"

Eric Pozza said of Bush Baroque's last concert: http://canberrajazz.blogspot.com.au/: "An afternoon of mediaeval viols and heavenly, embellished soprano is a thing of beauty and pleasure. Baroque in the bush is another satisfying and surprising local discovery."

Bookings are essential, please contact us to ensure a place as we have limited seating. For your invitation please email, violsaustralia@gmail.com or phone, 6236 9212. Donations to Hartley LifeCare of \$30 for the Austral Harmony concert and \$20 for the Bush Baroque concerts are suggested. Details of the venue will be sent with your booking confirmation. Drinks and nibbles afterwards on the deck.

See selections from our recent concerts on

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Picture: Austral Harmony – Jane Downer, baroque oboe and oboe d'amore, and Peter Hagen, harpsichord and organ.



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I imagine that most residents of the Parish of Wamboin would agree that Norton Road is the most prominent road in our delightful parish. But how did it get its name? Who, or what, was Norton? A person? A ship? A property? A racehorse? A prize bull? Something else? I wonder if any of our Wamboin Elders or local historians could elucidate this? – David McDonald

Want to recycle your egg cartons? I desperately need some (even just one or two). If you have some, drop them off at Pendon Farm 413 Norton Rd. Either on the verandah or leave at gate. Thank you.

Free range eggs for sale to put order in phone and pick up on weekend or after hours in Bywong. Phone 6238 1481.

Bermagui Four Winds Festival 2014 – Easter Weekend, April 17-20. Don't miss this year's Four Winds Festival in the idyllic coastal community of Bermagui in one of the world's most unique outdoor concert venues, Nature's Concert Hall. This year Four Winds features music ranging from Bach, Beethoven and Mozart to Cole Porter, jazz and tango. There is also lots of local and regional artists performing including Shellie Morris, Indigenous singer/songwriter, the Auric Quartet and the Bega Brass Band. Book tickets online at www.fourwinds.com.au (where you can also check out the program), in person from the Four Winds office at the Bermagui Community Centre, Bunga Street, Monday-Thursday between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm or by phoning 02 64933414 during business hours. I realise this may be more of a regional story than a Wamboin /Bywong one, however, having grown up in Wamboin myself with family still in Wamboin and Bywong I figured it wouldn't hurt to send through. – Marg Hansen

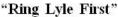
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Collecting Semen from a Stallion

By Emma Gracie Seitz-Cherner, Veterinary Student, University of Sydney and Dr. Natasha Hovanessian, Canberra Equine Hospital.

Why Would we Collect from a Stallion?

Collected semen may be used to do fertility testing on a young colt to decide whether or not he has a future as a breeding stallion, or to collect and conserve semen for reproductive use.

With the globalization of equestrian disciplines, semen collection for artificial insemination has become the most popular method of breeding. It allows for genetics from valuable stallions to be sent around the world, giving breeders the ability to choose amongst a wide range of sires for their mares. Stallions may have simultaneous breeding and athletic careers, since semen from one collection can artificially inseminate several mares. Semen can be frozen and stored indefinitely permitting the genetics of talented but deceased stallions to be passed on. Collecting semen is also a safer reproductive experience for the stallion than performing natural breeding.



How Do we Collect from a Stallion?

When collecting semen from a stallion, an artificial vagina (AV) and a 'teaser mare' are used to stimulate the stallion to ejaculate. The teaser mare arouses the stallion for collection, and the AV is a large double-layered rubber tube with warm water between the layers. Each stallion tends to have their own preferences regarding temperature and pressure of the AV. Usually the stallion is trained to mount a 'dummy' (see photo below). Semen is deposited by the stallion into the AV, and collected in a container. The container is removed and the semen is tested for viability before being stored.



Training the Stallion.

Collecting from stallions requires trained personnel, adequate breeding facilities, and time to train the stallion. For young or inexperienced stallions we recommend at least three practice collections before the semen is used for breeding. This allows the stallion to have a safe and stress-free learning experience. The stallion may stay at the Canberra Equine Hospital breeding facility, or come in to the hospital daily as an outpatient. Daily training sessions for three to five consecutive days will progressively reinforce the experience for the stallion, and lead to the best results.

If you have a young stallion who has not been breeding yet, please contact the veterinary hospital before the next breeding season to organise training early. For further information, please email equine@canberravet.com.au or call (02) 6241 8888.

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Geary's Gap/Wamboin Landcare Plant Sale

There will be two large plant sales this year. The first will be at the Wamboin market on 19 April. The second will be at the Bywong Car Boot Sale on 4 May.

We have thousands of native plants ready for sale:

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Landcare meetings and propagation sessions are held at Geoff Butler's place on the first Saturday of each month. Sessions are for two hours and start at 9am. We welcome all volunteers – no experience is necessary. If possible, please bring along some cuttings of local native plants, so that we can strike some new plants. Please contact Geoff beforehand if you are going to attend - email gbu22182@bigpond.net.au or phone 62369158, so that Geoff can cater for the correct number of people in terms of seating, plant/potting mix preparation and morning tea.

If you would like to join our group or volunteer to help, please email me for further details.

-- Kathy Handel, ph 6238 3596, email: khandel@bigpond.net.au

Thank You

To those people who attempted to capture my loose horse on Norton Rd on Sunday 16 March, I wish to pass on my absolute gratitude and thanks.

Scotty, my beautiful 6 year old TB, spooked when having his rug taken off and bolted through our double front fence onto Norton Rd. We were at the coast at the time and received a call from my very distressed daughter who was looking after Scotty to say that he had gone through the fence and she didn't know where he was. We then received another call some 20 minutes later to say he had come home and was back in a paddock, much to my great relief.

We have been finding additional information about where he got to in that time and, it's frightening to think of what did happen, and what could have happened without the help from unknown people in the area. Today, 23 March, I discovered that Scotty travelled to Merino Vale Drive (from home at 726 Norton Rd) and unfortunately spooked 3 horses belonging to Karen Sutcliffe who happened to be leading them along Merino Vale. Karen's horses also then bolted following a still out-of-control Scotty to the end of the street where Scotty turned around but 2 of Karen's horses jumped a fence into another property, and then jumped back out again. Luckily, it seems Karen's horses will be OK despite some cuts and bruises. I wish to publicly thank Karen for her efforts in trying to catch Scotty when he was bolting back up Merino Vale Drive. An out-of-control horse is a very dangerous thing and it takes a very brave person to try and stop it, thanks Karen.

Karen told me that "Barry from Weeroona Drive" was also trying to control and alert traffic along Norton Rd by travelling behind Scotty with his hazard lights on and helped her in trying to catch Scotty and her horses in Merino Vale Drive. Barry, you have my utmost gratitude for what you did and I would like to thank you personally. If you see this, please call me on 0431 896 196.

Scotty didn't stop despite Karen and Barry's efforts and ended up back on Norton Rd and, thankfully, for some reason went home. I understand that others stopped and helped round up Scotty at our property – a huge thank you to you all.

Scotty was injured during this episode and had a potentially career-ending injury to his fetlock. He had an operation on Monday afternoon at Canberra Equine Hospital and it seems now that he will be OK after 3-4 weeks in the stable and lots of medication and TLC. Thanks to Suzanne, Rebecca and Kelly at CEH. -- Rob Lillie, Norton Road

St Andrews, Wamboin, and St Peters, Sutton -- Church Notices

Easter is the busiest time of the year in the church calendar. If you have not yet been to a Lenten coffee evening, why not join us at 7pm at St Andrews on Tuesday the 1st and 8th of April. Here you will be able to be part of some great conversations as we consider the Passion story, and discuss our doubts, certainties and faith in a relaxed group. At 7pm on Tuesday, 15th please join us for the traditional roast lamb Passover meal at St Andrews.

On 9th April, the children from Sutton Primary school will attend one of three Easter services in the historic church of

Good Friday services will be on 18th April, at 9am at St Andrews, Wamboin, and the Vigil, a period of quiet contemplation, will start at 3pm at St Peters, in Sutton.

Communion services will be celebrated on Easter Sunday, 20th April, at 9am at St Andrews, and 11am at St Peters, followed by morning tea.

Kids Club, on Fridays from 5.30pm til 7pm, at St Andrews, will be in recess during the school holidays and will resume after the children return to school. Come along, enjoy stories and games, and share dinner with other children. Parents are

Rainfall and Temperatures in Wamboin – 39 year statistics from the Robertsons

March rainfall to 30/3 ... 70.25mm 2014 to 30/3 ... 154.75mm Average April rainfall ... 44mm Wettest April ...174.5mm in 1989 Wettest April day ... 70mm on 19/4/84

Coldest April day ... 8C on 27/4/12

(Mar 2013... 19.75) (2013 to 31/3... 138.75) (April 2013... 12mm) Driest April ... 5mm in 1997 Hottest April day ... 28C on 3/4/86

Coldest April nights ... 0C on 27/4/99, 28/4/12, 21/4/13.

always welcome.

The Seniors' group meets once a month for morning tea and a chat on the 4th Tuesday, at 10am, in St Andrews. The next morning tea is April 22nd.

St Peters and St Andrews are community churches with a congregation of many denominations. Services are held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at St Andrews, and the 2nd and 4th Sunday at St Peters, at 9am. If you would like further information, please contact any of: The Rev Dr Peter Grundy 62487913, Bronwyn Elliott 62383359, Alan Rope 62383224, Robyn Robertson 62383202.



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Wheels of Wamboin

Please note

change of date to 17th May - due to Easter

Please note that due to Easter being on the third weekend of April the Wheels of Wamboin event has been moved to the 17th of May for this year. Many car clubs and owners have expressed that they will be away for Easter so we have decided to move to the following market Day in May. This month we take a look at the famous and sometimes volatile Maserati. Maserati turns 100 this year.

Maserati was started in 1914 by four brothers: Alfieri, Bindo, Carlo, and Ernesto in in Bologna Italy. Alfieri, Bindo and Ernesto built 2-litre Grand Prix cars for a carmaker named Diatto. In 1926, Diatto suspended the production of race cars, leading to the creation of the first Maserati and the founding of the Maserati marque. One of the first Maserati's, won the 1926 Targa Florio. The trident logo of the Maserati car company is based on the Fountain of Neptune in Bologna's Piazza Maggiore. In 1920 one of the Maserati brothers, artist Mario, used this symbol in the logo and it was considered particularly appropriate for the sports car company due to fact that Neptune represents strength and vigour.

Alfieri Maserati died in 1932, but three other brothers, Bindo, Ernesto and Ettore, kept the firm going, building cars that won races. In 1937, the remaining Maserati brothers sold their shares in the company to the Orsi family, who in 1940 relocated the company headquarters to their hometown of Modena, where it remains to this day. The brothers continued in engineering roles with the company. Racing successes continued, even against the giants of German racing, Auto Union and Mercedes. In back-to-back wins in 1939 and 1940, a Maserati 8CTF won the Indianapolis 500, the only Italian manufacturer ever to do so. The war then intervened, Maserati abandoning cars to produce components for the Italian war effort. Once peace was restored, Maserati returned to making cars; the Maserati A6 series did well in the post-war racing scene. The famous Argentinian driver Juan-Manuel Fangio raced for Maserati for a number of years in the 1950s, producing a number of stunning victories including winning the world championship in 1957 in the Maserati 250F.

In 1968, Maserati was taken over by the French car manufacturer, Citroën. New models were launched, and built in much greater numbers than before. In 1975 the company was taken over by Alejandro de Tomaso, an Argentinian former racing driver. In 1993 Fiat acquired the company and substantial investments were made in Maserati, and it has since undergone something of a renaissance. In 1999 Ferrari took control, making Maserati its luxury division. In 2002 Maserati also re-entered the racing arena and has since competed with great success in the world FIA GT championship, winning the teams championship three consecutive times from 2005 to 2007. In 2005 Maserati was split off from Ferrari and merged with Alfa Romeo under Fiat Auto.

Is there a Maserati sleeping in the sheds of Wamboin and district?

Wheels of Wamboin



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Saturday 17th May 2014

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Look out in the next Whisper for details of the Wheels of Wamboin Mille Miglia Tour



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LOCAL GIRL REPRESENTS AUSTRALIA IN MOUNTED GAMES

In December 2013, I was selected to represent Australia at the Southern Hemisphere Mounted Games as a riding member of the Australian Mounted Games Association (AMGA). These games were held in South Africa against South



African and New Zealand teams. Another local rider, Kirra-lee Cox (Geary's Gap), her mother, Kerry Cox (Team Manager), and father, Rhett Cox (bag boy) were my chaperones throughout the trip. I made many friends, both on and off the field and have acquired a huge amount of experience, both in horse riding and life. The ability of riding "unknown" horses has helped me appreciate what I have and what I am capable of achieving. I was extremely proud to have been selected in the Australian team, considering that I have only been a member of AMGA for 3 years. Support from my family, riding friends and my Pony Club experience has helped me to become a more confident, capable and experienced rider. My Pony Club years, the friendly rivalry with my older brother Brodie, and when practicing for Zone and State Mounted Games competitions has given me the confidence to ride against older and more experienced riders. Joining AMGA has revitalised my enjoyment of riding as well as meeting and competing with all age groups from all over Australia. Riding in individual, pairs and teams at local, state and national competitions has enhanced my riding ability significantly. I would like to thank my

sponsors: The Bungendore Feed Shed, Ms Mel Berenson-Baker (WA), everyone who sold and bought the chocolates, and the Cox family for looking after me in South Africa. Special thanks must go out to my parents for allowing me go, for paying my way, and for all of the running around that was required to organise my trip. I would encourage any rider to try this sport, as it is not only challenging but good fun. Anyone interested should contact Maureen Purdie 0427-383-343 - Laura Worden

WAMBOIN RURAL GOLF CLUB - March

By Lofty Mason

With Peter Greenwood recovering from his ankle reconstruction, I was dobbed in to run the March competition. A Stableford competition was played in near perfect weather on fresh green grassy fairways, which caused some new players to come out of the woodwork. The day was sponsored, and healthily catered for, by Ken and Deb Gordon. Back in his slot behind the bar was Hank Berlee on a brief visit from Jimboomba.

Senior encouragement awards of a dozen practise balls each (due to scores of 4 stableford points each) went to Penny Gibson and Debra Fileman. The junior encouragement award went to Isabell Keller, who was coached by Neville Schroder. Isabell, playing her very first round of golf, scored 12 points for 9 holes. The junior winner for the day was Rachael Schroder with 17 points for 9 holes. The senior Nine Hole winners were Rob Gibson 24 points, Neville Schroder 22 Joan Mason 21. (Handicapper please note all).

The 18 hole competition winners were first; Pete Harrison 40, 2nd Tim Barter 38 and 3rd Ryan Kitchen with a 36. I don't think Ryan's score will catch the eye of the handicapper however, not surprisingly, Pete Harrison is now the proud holder of the Ned Kelly trophy.

The April competition played on Sunday the 6th will be the exciting, and sometimes frustrating, Mini Masters sponsored by the Wamboin Community Association.

Wamboin 15 years ago – from the Whisper, April 1999 -- Circulation – 800

From the Wamboin Community Association, President's Report: "Local Government Reform: A small group of residents from the area attended the meeting last month to look at the issue of amalgamation of councils. The meeting was also attended by Councillors and Council staff. Mayor Flanagan informed the meeting that a private consultant's report had recommended 3 options. The one of most interest for us being the amalgamation of Yarrowlumla Shire with Queanbeyan City. The Mayor went on to point out that critical issues for Council with any amalgamation were that rate-payers must benefit, communities of interest must be recognised and it must support an improving transport network. He also believed there had not been sufficient community consultation. Since the NSW Government has given a guarantee of no forced amalgamations (as were seen in Victoria) for at least the next three years, then there should be plenty of time to "get it right". " -- Libby King







- create and maintain as much defendable space i.e. a buffer zone, around your home by managing vegetation, including grass and shrubs (a minimum radius of 20 metres is recommended);
- remove dead branches, leaves and undergrowth from around your home and other structures e.g. shed;
- prune any tree limbs less than two metres from the ground or overhanging your home;
- remove bark, heavy mulch, wood piles and other fire hazards close to the home or other structure;
- ensure you have an adequate and independent water supply (i.e. bore, rain water tank, dam etc);
- keep gutters clean;
- depending on decisions you make as part of your Bush Fire Survival Plan, ensure you have equipment to fight fires (a petrol/ diesel powered pump, long hoses with nozzles, buckets, bins, sprinklers);
- prepare or update your Bush Fire Survival Plan.

HOUSE FIRE PRECAUTIONS

With the night temperatures cooling, it won't be long before people start firing up their slow combustion heaters and open fireplaces. Before doing so, here's a couple of important safety tips:

- flues and chimneys should be cleaned annually to prevent a build-up of flammable material e.g. soot, creosote, bird nests and other obstructions, and ensure the fire burns properly;
- always use a fire screen in front of open fires and close stove doors;
- keep heaters well clear from items that might burn.

Early fire detection within your home or other structure is vital. Make sure you have installed reliable, working smoke alarms that are less than 10 years old <u>and</u> a Home Fire Escape Plan.

We will have more tips and tools in relation to Fires in the Home in an upcoming newsletter. Meanwhile, further information on any of the above can be found by visiting the NSWRFS website at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au

BRIGADE ACTIVITY

Callouts

The fire brigade responded to three incidents during March. They were an unauthorised pile burn in Sutton Road, a fruitless search for a reported car crash on Macs Reef Road and a burning car on the Federal Highway.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Recruitment: About joining the Fire Brigade

Becoming a volunteer firefighter in the brigade or member of the support group is easier than most people think. The fire brigade has a current active membership of over 70 members of the community made up of operational firefighters, support crew and those who help out with administration. We are particularly keen to encourage younger members of the community (preferably 18 years or older) including people who will be able to lead the Brigade in the future. If you are interested in learning new skills or sharing your expertise, please give the Secretary, Jim Greethead, a call on 6230 3165 or email: secretary@brigade.wamboincommunity.asn.au to request further information and a Membership Application Pack.

Wamboin Brigade Website

The site will help you monitor local conditions and Brigade announcements. The **Community Information** section has useful information plus links to other websites including the NSW Rural Fire Service that provide guidance regarding bush and grass fire preparations. You'll also find the brigade's history and other interesting material including photos on the website at http://brigade.wamboincommunity.asn.au

And finally...

Should you have any non-emergency enquiry, e.g. if you are seeking guidance with your Bush Fire Survival Plan, you can contact the Brigade directly by email captain@brigade.wamboincommunity.asn.au or phone 0409 991 340.

FOR ALL EMERGENCY CALLS



Councillor's Corner

Local Government Reform — This is a bit of a dry subject, but I thought it might be worth providing a bit of an update at this point. The final report from the Independent Local Government Review Panel was released in January.

While it is only one small part of the reform package, most media interest still focuses on the subject of amalgamations, and locally the recommendation to merge Palerang and Queanbeyan Councils. It is worth noting, however, that the panel's recommendation in the final report has softened somewhat and that the local situation is now simply recommended for review in 2017, after the next state and local government elections. The implication is that nothing is likely to happen on this front before 2020, the date of the subsequent local government elections.

As I mentioned in my April 2013 Councillor's Corner, the merger between Palerang and Queanbeyan was seen as a way of strengthening the financial and strategic capacity of the two councils. Since then, however, both councils have improved their respective financial situations to the point where this is no longer a major consideration. Infrastructure renewal is the greatest burden on local government, particularly in rural LGAs, where maintaining road and bridge infrastructure with the available financial resources is a constant challenge. Realistically, however, merging councils does not generate or even free up a great deal of additional revenue for these sorts of activities, it simply provides the potential capacity to deliver a broader range of services without a significant financial impact.

Strategic capacity, the ability to successfully plan for and deliver a comprehensive range of services, nonetheless remains a challenge for smaller councils. While neither Palerang nor Queanbeyan are considered small councils, Palerang's geographical size and diverse demographic present their own problems in this regard. To this end, one of the other Panel recommendations is the formation of Joint Organisations of councils (JOs). At one level, these are Council cooperatives, regional groups of councils that share resources that individual councils may not be able to justify in isolation. A JO, rather than a single, monolithic council, offers the advantages of both smaller councils that can provide effective representation for individual communities, and larger ones that have the capacity to effectively deliver a broad range of services.

There is, however, a unique challenge for any JO, if not for individual councils, in our area. The management of a productive, cross-boarder relationship with the ACT clearly has a major impact on the economies of all adjoining NSW councils. Happily, with the recognition on the part of the ACT government of a need to embrace regional development, we have made progress in this regard through our existing South East Regional Organisation of Councils (SEROC) (see www.capitalregionliving.com.au). The ROCs are more informal structures that the proposed JOs, and the goal will be to transition smoothly from the former to the latter, without losing out to bureaucracy in the process.

Your Council is interested in your views on the proposed reform agenda, and the idea of amalgamation in particular. The present feeling amongst councillors is that amalgamation with such a large (three times the population of Palerang), essentially urban population as Queanbeyan would lead to a loss of representation for many demographic elements within Palerang, for no particular gain. If you feel strongly about this though, we'd very much like to hear from you. I hope that now that the new PLEP has been finalised, we will have the capacity to continue our community forums, and that this will provide us with an opportunity to gauge community opinion on a range of issues, including those presented by the Review Panel's report.

Copies of all of the Review Panel's reports and supporting documentation are available from the ILGRP website at http://www.localgovernmentreview.nsw.gov.au.

The Palerang Blog—New or related entries in my councillor website Blog (http://peteharrison.id.au/blog) include:

Local Government Reform (Update) Local Government Reform (Apr 2013)

Council's General Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month (excluding January), commencing at 5.00 pm. Members of the public are welcome. The meeting location varies—check Council's website (http://palerang.nsw.gov.au) for details. Meeting Business Papers are also available on Council's website on the Friday preceding the meeting.

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Helping Wildlife

'Greedy' (see photo), an eastern long-necked turtle, has been fattened up and released in time for him to settle down to his new surrounding prior to hibernating over Winter. Greedy was rescued many months ago after being injured on the road. A commuter on the way to work rescued him. He had a cracked shelled where a motor vehicle had clipped him. The ACT RSPCA repaired the shell and later he was transferred to *Wildcare* to be rehabilitated and released close to where he was picked up. Many animals, such as reptiles, snakes, birds and turtles, need to be released close to, or exactly, where they have been rescued to avoid mixing up the species gene pool and to overcome territorial problems.

It's tempting to rescue and raise injured or orphaned animals without being a member of a wildlife group, but this is not a good idea. In practice it is not easy to raise or keep alive an animal without specialist knowledge, equipment and training. All animals have a particular way in which they must be treated if they are to survive and thrive. Many mammals, including kangaroos and wombats, need a particular milk formula and this has to be given at certain times of the day in exact quantities. There is also the need for the right environment, medication and other supplementary food. It's no good using cow's milk, as this will totally upset an animal's digestive system and cause further problems. Similarly reptiles, such as lizards, need a particular diet and housing, as do snakes. Birds can quickly die if they are not treated correctly. Baby animals can grow quite large and eventually they become unmanageable.

If you rescue wildlife don't be tempted to feed or water it – this might be a death sentence. Get help from *Wildcare* or a similar organisation. Better still join a wildlife group and become involved with rescuing and rehabilitating wildlife.

By Law members of the public have to hand over rescued wildlife to a reputable authority, such as a licensed wildlife group, RSPCA or a Parks and Wildlife ranger, within a couple of days. Unless licensed by the NSW government, it is illegal to keep native animals. And for good reason. As well as providing the right food and housing, wildlife carers need the skills and techniques to get animals ready for eventual release back into the wild. Baby animals tend to grow quite large and eventually they become unmanageable. Large animals that have been hand-raised the wrong way will have little chance to be rehabilitated and released back into the wild.



Wildcare is available to give advice and help to sort out injured and rescued wildlife 24/7, so get in touch and call 6299 1966. By the way, *Wildcare* is on the lookout for suitable large-acre properties to release rehabilitated wildlife, particularly in the Bungendore region. If you can help with this, please contact Helen – 0433- 010-318.

- Philip Machin For Wildcare – 6238-3717

WAMBOIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

by John Van Der Straaten

The Wamboin Community Association held its 2014/14 Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 18 March 2014 at the Wamboin Community Hall.

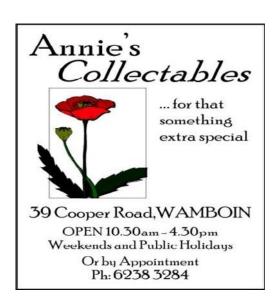
The Meeting considered a draft Constitution for the WCA which had been revised by a working group. The draft Constitution was accepted by the members and will be forwarded to the NSW Department of Fair Trading for consideration and endorsement. If and when approved, the new Constitution will then be posted on the WCA website.

The 2014/15 Executive and Committee is as follows:

President: Jenny Richards Vice-President: Peter Evans

Treasurer: Keith France Secretary & Public Officer: John van der Straaten

Committee members: David McDonald; Lance Schulz & Jenny Warren.



Looking to share the costs of the work drive to and from Canberra?

"Are you looking to share the costs of your drive from Wamboin to Canberra each day?"

My "Red-light" camera events have resulted in a well deserved loss of licence until 30 Aug 2014.

I am looking to team up with a like minded person, who can see the great life lesson. I have been presented with, who drives into Civic each working day. Sharing fuel costs, flexibility in times etc are all on the table.

If my needs meet yours, then please call me on 0423954 917 Paul PATTI – paul@paulpatti.id.au

Kowen 2014 Motorcycle Ride

Kowen Forest will be CLOSED over the weekend of 12 -13th April 2014.

The Dual Sport Motorcycle Riders Association (DSMRA) would like to notify all residents in the Wamboin area that Kowen Forest will be CLOSED to the public from 5pm Friday 11th April to 12:01 am on Monday 14 April 2014. This closure does not apply to the areas known as Sparrow Hill and Orchard Block.

The forest will be closed for a non-competitive motorcycling event - the DSMRA's Kowen Forest Ride 2014. This ride is held over two days and is organised as an annual membership drive for our association. It also raises money for charities such as the Snowy Hydro Rescue Helicopter and funds for the ACT SES. All bikes are registered and each rider must have a motorcycle licence. All riders are required to comply with the 40km/h forest speed limit and will not enter the motorsport exclusion zone particularly that which is adjacent to the northern boundary of the forest on Wamboin Break.

The section of Seven Mile Road adjacent to Wamboin will not be used as a transport section for riders – though current forest operations will continue to use that area.

Preparations for the event will commence from 10:30 am Friday 11 April 2014. Riders who have travelled from interstate and intend to camp (at the old Depot site), as well as others delivering event infra-structure, will start to arrive from this time. Notices will be put up before the event advising of the forest closure. "Forest Closed" signs will be deployed at more than 50 locations around the forest perimeter.

The DSMRA requests that residents, walkers, runners, hikers, horse riders and bicycle riders do not enter the forest during the closure, as this may endanger you, your animals and the riders.

As this is not a spectator event there will be NO PUBLIC ACCESS via Seven Mile Road, Kowen Rd (the main gate), Millpost Lane (at either the seismic station gates or the sheep boundary gate), Charcoal Kiln Rd etc for the specified period. The forest will be re-opened after the event, and open to the public for Monday morning.

However please be aware t will be increased traffic on Kowen Rd and areas around the Depot site for preparation and the tidy up on the days before and after the event.

If you have any questions, please contact Territory and Municipal Services (TAMS) – 6205 9883 or DSMRA (Doug Waterhouse) – 0407 259 338 /email: pbr0110@bigpond.net.au









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Wamboin Muse Jill Gregory

If you are scratching your head and feeling a little confused by the season, you are not alone. A drive from Wamboin along Sutton Road to the village might have you believing that we live in a green and well watered land. But look again. Dams have shrivelled up, some of the deciduous trees are winter bare having lost their leaves a month or so ago, and some misguided trees have even blossomed. In my garden, bees have been buzzing as if spring has come amongst the flowering Chinese elms. Clouds roll in, hang around, build up and then scatter to the wind, the promised rain blown away. There is little we can do about it.

However, I was at the local Sutton school the other day, sitting in the school hall, and I heard a story that showed just what a community can do. About forty years ago Sutton Primary was a typical little country school with fifty children on a good day, and apart from the classroom there was nowhere to shelter from the blazing sun, the winter chills or the fierce winds, let alone gather for an assembly or concert. Word got around, however, that there was an empty factory shed in Fyshwick. Amongst the parents there was a chap with a big truck, another with concreting skills and a couple of others handy with a multi meter and a hammer and nails, and they all had a "Can Do" attitude. They weren't prepared to wait for the slow wheels of bureaucracy to turn and for someone else to do it for them. Instead of being blinded by a problem, they looked for a way around it. The unwanted shed was dismantled, loaded onto a truck and eventually re built on a concrete slab in the school grounds. Today the hall is carpeted, lined and heated, and is the centre of school activities. I was fortunate to be in that hall, in the audience, on Grandparents' Day to see 200 excited children performing, and the next day in the hall again enjoying a Devonshire morning tea at the spectacular annual Fete. And without many, many committed people, all prepared to give it a go, there would be none of this.

In Wamboin, Sutton and countless small communities around the country there are people working quietly without fuss, with no expectation of personal gain or accolades who are just "doing their bit" for the community, helping to make where we live a better place for all. May this spirit endure.

I wouldn't live anywhere else......and if I'm here to stay, I'd better think seriously about what I can do to drought proof my garden.



Wheels of Wamboin



Saturday 17th May 2014 (note change of date) 9.00am to 1.00pm (in conjunction with Home Produce Markets)

Wamboin Hall - Bingley Way - Wamboin
Please email peter.evans@wamboincommunity.asn.au
for further information

Bungendore Chainsaws, Mowers & Hire

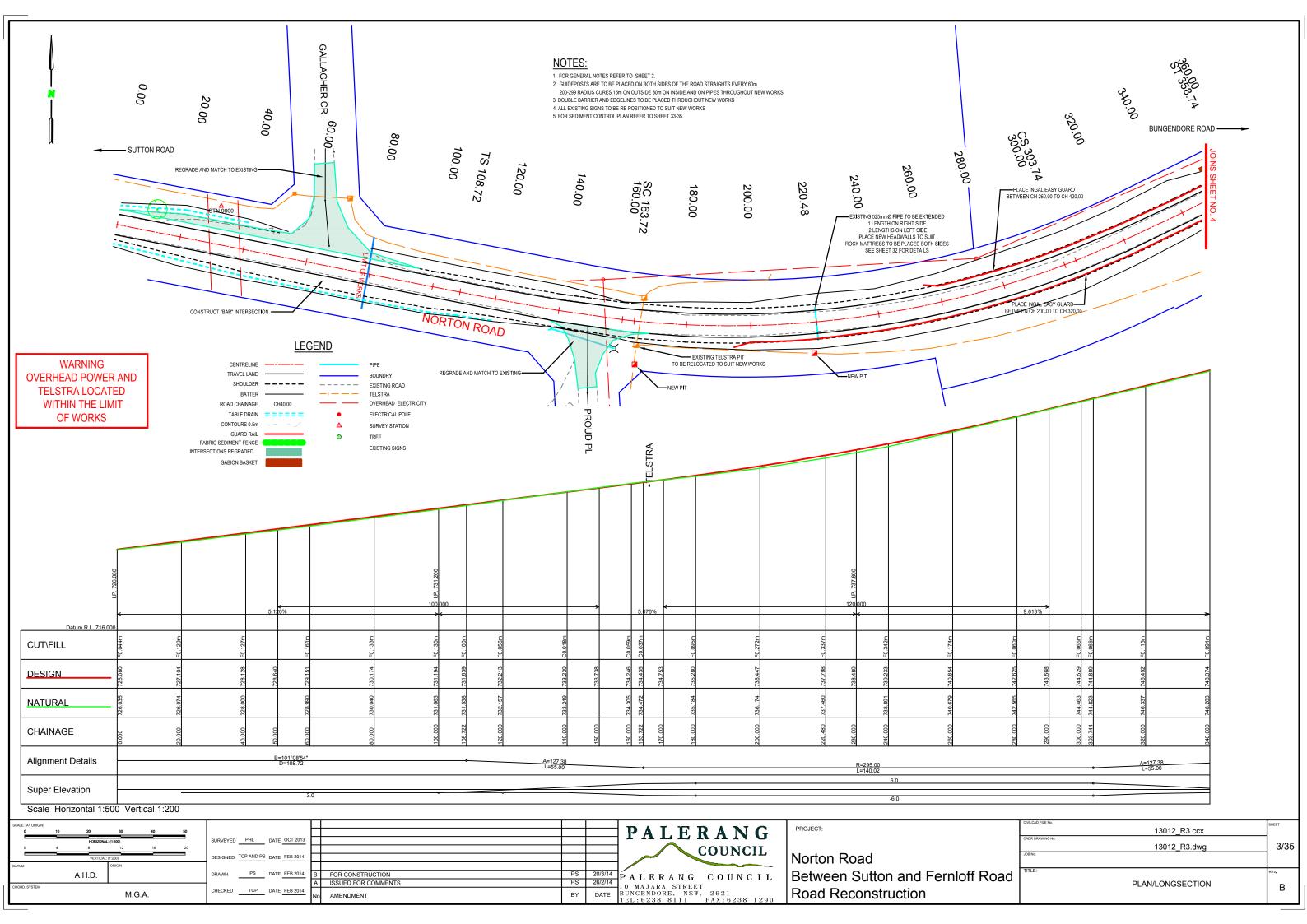
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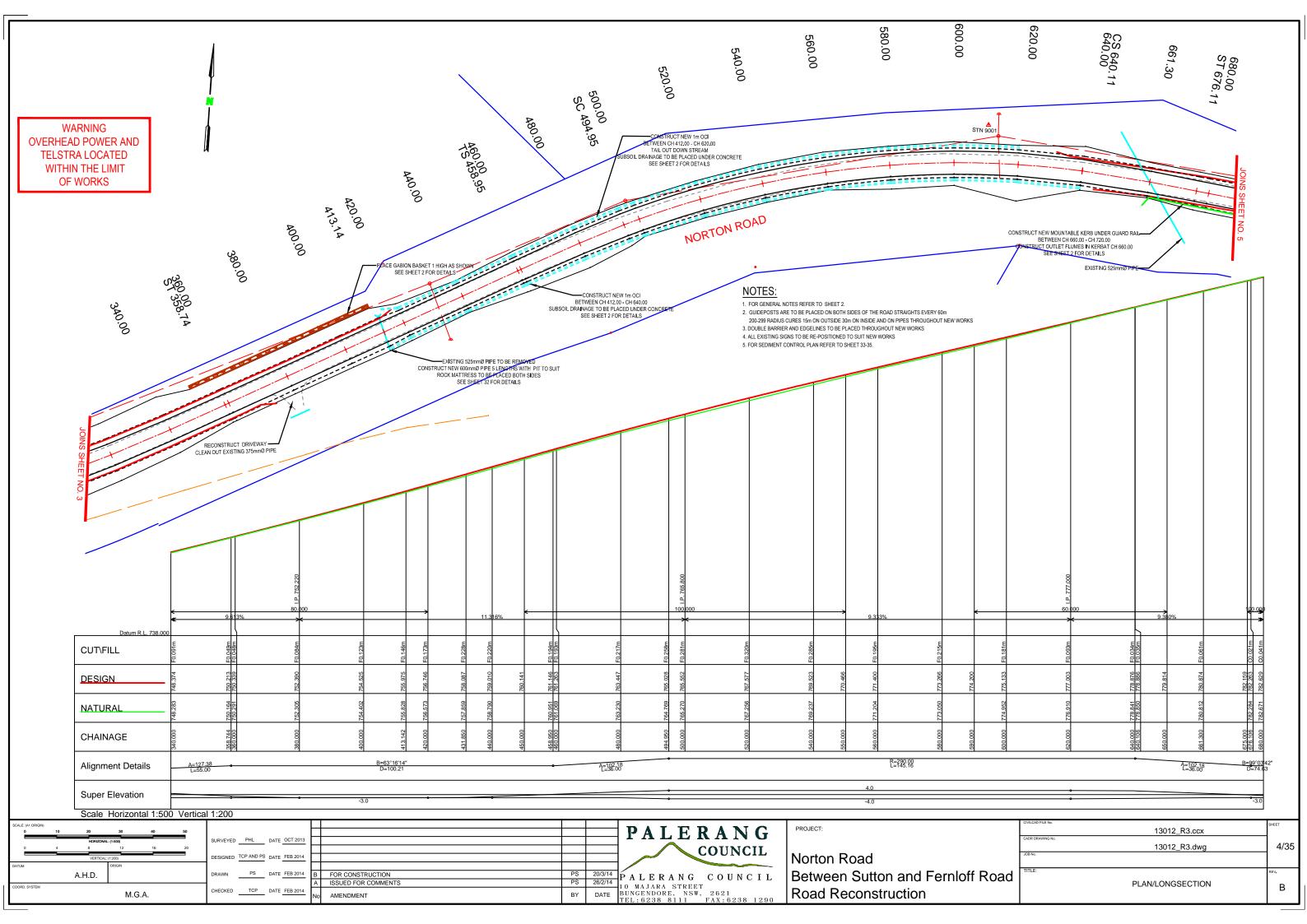


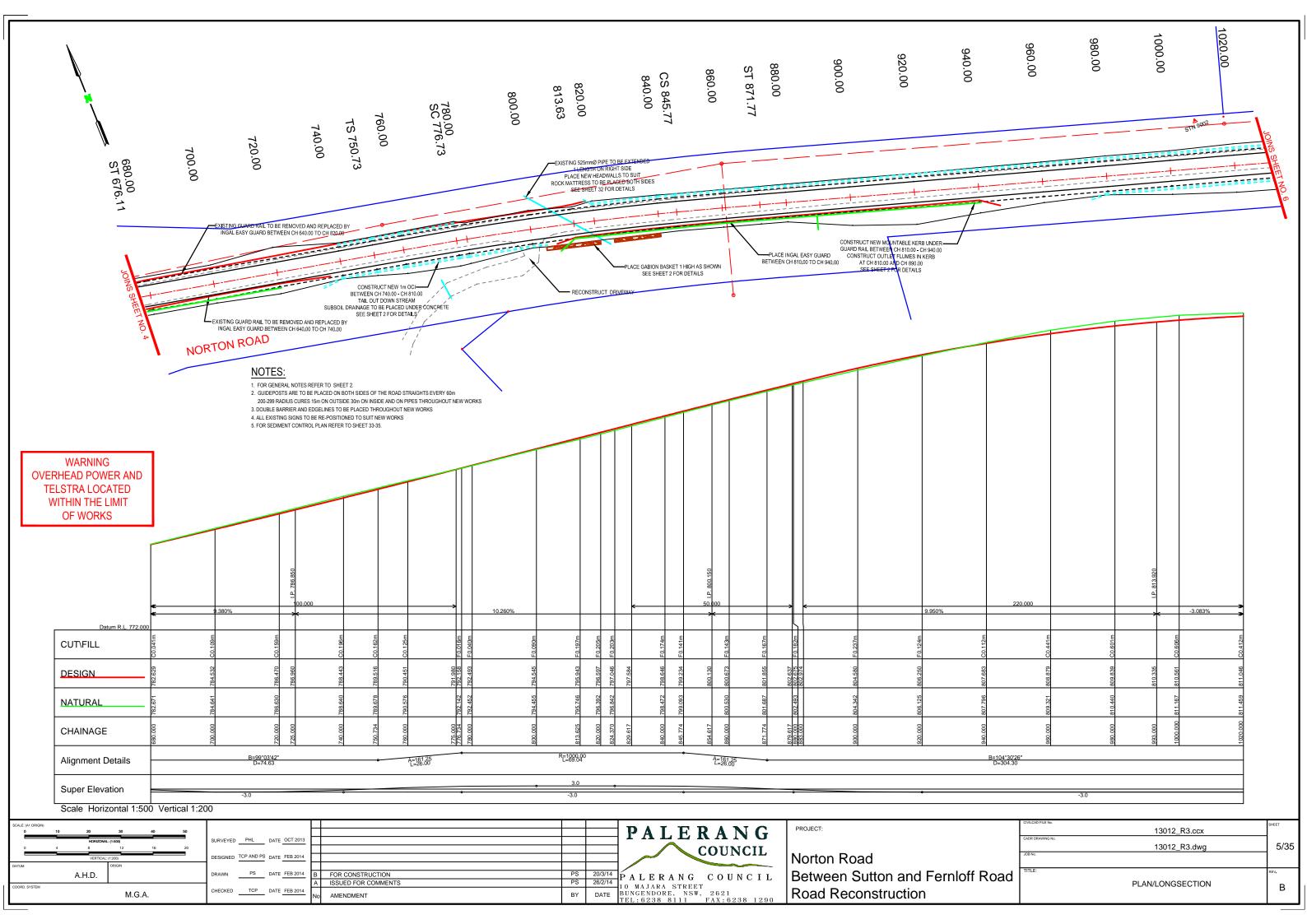
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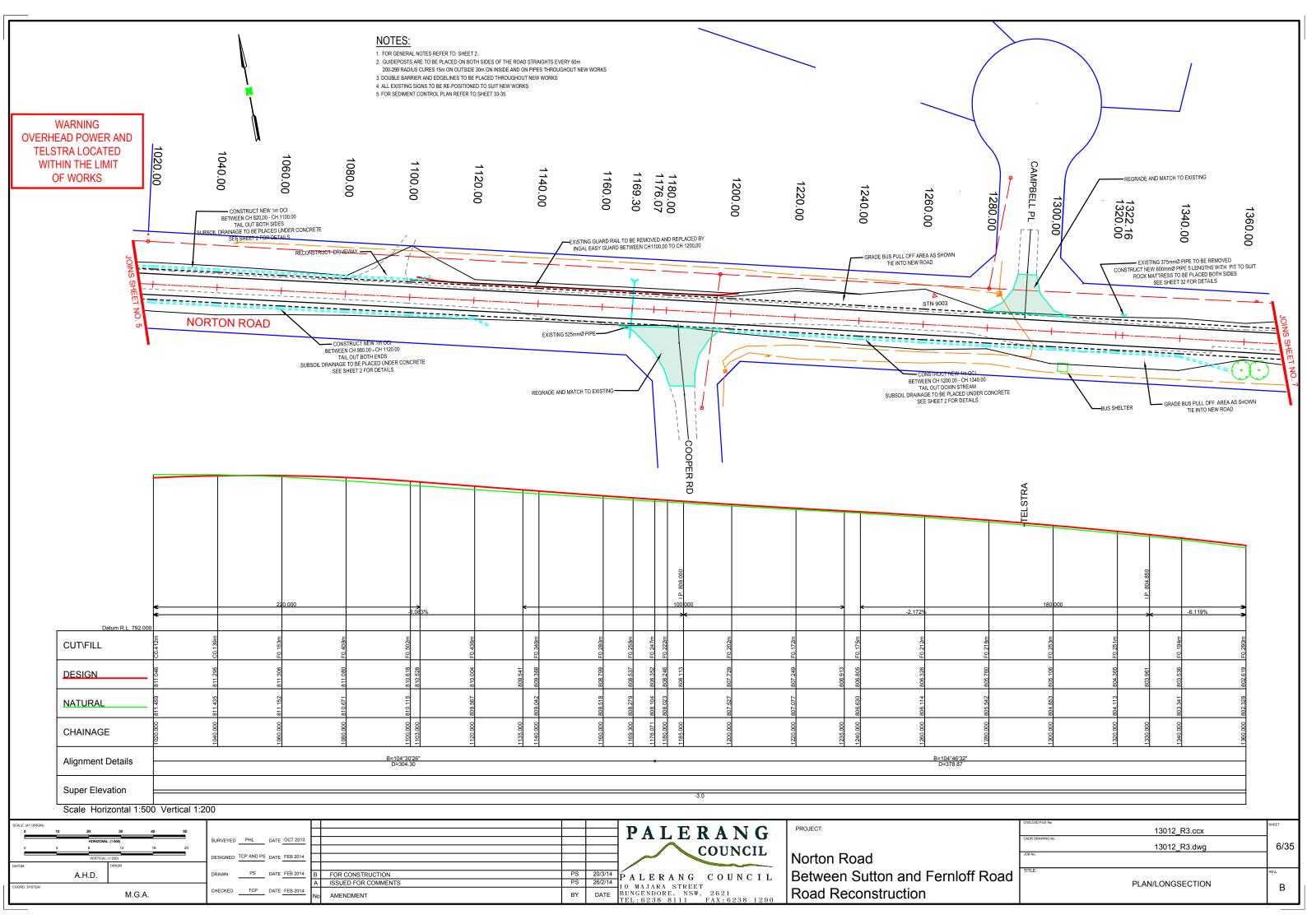
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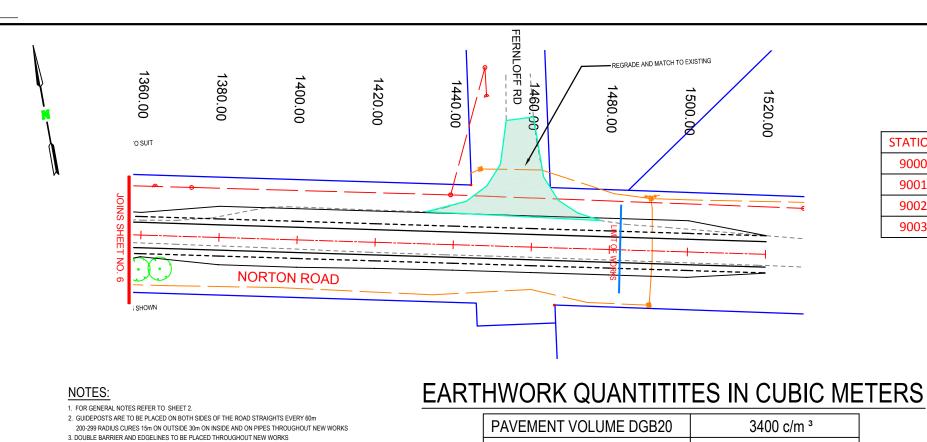
44 Malbon Street, Bungendore 2621 (at Caltex Service Station).











ALL EXISTING SIGNS TO BE RE-POSITIONED TO SUIT NEW WORKS
 FOR SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN REFER TO SHEET 33-35.

SURVEY STATIONS

STATION	MGA EASTING	MGA NORTHING	AHD HEIGHT	TYPE
9000	705967.10	6096245.85	727.87	STEEL POST
9001	706517.08	6096347.94	776.76	PM 78805
9002	706910.97	6096273.39	813.83	STEEL POST
9003	707155.60	6096203.73	806.48	NAIL IN ROCK

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NEW ALIGNMENT DETAILS

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PAVEMENT VOLUME DGB20	3400 c/m ³
DRIVEWAYS DGB20	80 c/m ³
INTERSECTIONS DGB20	500 c/m ³
TOTAL CUT	3023.68
TOTAL FILL	2436.57
NET VOLUME	587.11 CUT

APPROX SQUARE METERS OF SEAL 15680m ² -6.119% CUT\FILL DESIGN NATURAL CHAINAGE B=104°46'32' D=378.87 Alignment Details Super Elevation Scale Horizontal 1:500 Vertical 1:200

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ISSUED FOR COMMENTS 10 MAJARA STREET
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TEL:6238 8111 FAX:6238 1290 CHECKED TCP DATE FEB 2014 M.G.A. DATE

Norton Road Between Sutton and Fernloff Road Road Reconstruction

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