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Author Catherine Bird

Key herbs for LAMINITIS support



Nutritional support for a horse who suffers laminitis is vital. For the horse that is prone to laminitis, clivers is a useful daily supplement to improve the integrity of the hoof as it is one of the most nutritional herbs available and especially high in Silica.

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For correct dosage rates on the herbs mentioned in this article please contact Carol when placing your order.

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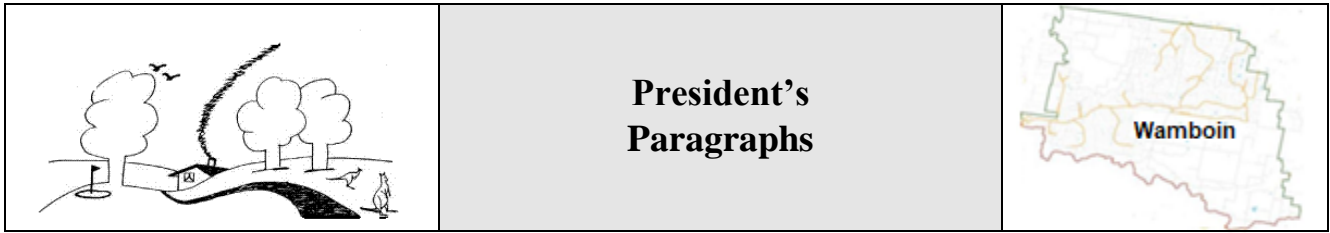
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October finishing and still the rain persists. I admit I'm looking forward to some brighter and slightly warmer days. Still the WCA has been as busy as ever.

1. **October Spring Talk.** The second in our trio of Spring Talks was very well attended. Paul and Luke Downey spoke to an interested audience of 44 people about Citizen Science and the Canberra Nature Map. Thank you both for coming and making our Spring Talks a success.
2. **November Spring Talk.** The final Spring Talk will be held this coming month. Professor Steve Garlick and Dr. Rosemary Austen of Possumwood are coming to talk about the Possumwood wildlife veterinary hospital, research and training facility located close to us. Many of us have had the experience of having injured animals attended to by Steve and Rosemary. You are cordially invited to this last of our Spring Talk series to learn about their work and meet up with friends and neighbours. As with the other Talks it will be held straight after the usual monthly meeting of the WCA at the Community Hall (Bingley Way) at **7:30 pm** on the **15th November**. Hope to see you all there.
3. **Wamboin Community Christmas Carols.** Our annual Christmas Carols Night is fast approaching. Always an entertaining night with a real family spirit this is a non-denominational event to celebrate the end of the year in our Community. However I do need **your** help. If you think your child/ren would like to take part in the Christmas Play PLEASE ring Jenny Richards on **6238 1329** so we can allocate parts. We have plenty available for both boys and girls so please come along and enjoy yourselves. The Carols will be held at the Community Hall (Bingley Way) at **7:00 pm on Friday 2nd December**. After entertaining ourselves with singing, and the play Santa will arrive on the Fire Truck complete with gifts for the children. A sausage sizzle and drinks are available for a **gold coin** donation which is given to the Salvation Army. Entry to the event is a **gift for someone less fortunate** left under the tree which the Salvo's will also distribute. Come along and enjoy a really unique community Christmas event and just a reminder – this is a cash only event. Santa's elves manning the BBQ cannot use credit cards.

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Bywong Banter

Well... the BCA did not hold a monthly meeting on OCT 20 so there isn't much to say apart from the Building Community Resilience bush walk and the QPRC Health and Family Fun Day held on OCT 23. Apart from being a ridiculous mouthful the event was a day of great fun, food, and friendly atmosphere. I'm still wondering how the magician got that melon under his hat.

As before, while the bush walkers were away JP ran his drawing classes while I cooked up snorkers (from Bungendore County Butchers) at the barbie whilst sipping a flat white from the coffee van. So, if you didn't turn up... you missed out on a most tasty and enjoyable event and the chance to get a free health check.

Anyway... a big thank you to the Resilience program and QPRC for making it all happen.

The Bywong / Wamboin Community Awards. Are You...

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- A young person with a dream?
- A group that needs help to reach your fundraising goal?
- A small business just starting out?

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The Bywong and Wamboin Community Associations want to help out...

So what is it?

The BCA & WCA have a pot of gold to give back to the community and those doing good things in the area. We want to know what amazing things you are doing, and how a gift from the community could help you do it better.

There will be a number of categories for these awards (still nutting it out) which we are hoping to make into an annual event to be announced each year at the Christmas Events.

How to enter...

Send an email to awards@bywongcommunity.org.au and let us know what you are doing and how it is making you and/or our community, better!

Entry closes in the 21st of NOVEMBER and awards will be presented, this time, at the Bywong Christmas Drinks on the 2nd of December.

So...Get your best community spirit on and let us know all about it! way we're trying to support you if you're out to help.

Next BCA meeting is on 17 NOV at Bywong Hall - All Welcome.

- Cheerio! - Steve - Prez

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WAMBOIN WEATHER – rainfall and temperature records

(47 years from Cooper Road) by Christine Rieber

October Rainfall Stats

October rainfall to the 30th 146.0mm
2022 total rainfall to 30th 795.75mm

November Rainfall Stats

2021 November rainfall..... 200.0mm
Wettest November..... 200.0mm in 2021
Wettest day..... 77mm on 19/11/86
Driest November..... 0mm in 1982

November Temperature Stats

2021 November maximum..... 29.6°C
Hottest November day... 39°C (2 times) on
27/11/97 & 21/11/19
Hottest November night.... 22°C 26/11/02
Average day temperature..... 22.3°C
Warmest November 1982 and 2009
82 (Av. day temp. 26.8°C & night 12.5°C)
09 (Av. day temp. 26.2°C & night 12.7°C)

Average October rainfall..... 59.4mm
2021 October rainfall..... 50.25mm
2021 total rainfall to 30/10..... 807.5mm
46yr Av. to end of October 554.4mm

Average November rainfall..... 78.9mm
Average no. rain days in November... 9.7
Highest no. rain days..... 19 in 1992
Lowest no. rain days..... 0 in 1982

2021 November minimum..... 3.7°C
Nov. 2021. Av. max 20.5°C & min 9.2°C
Av. Nov temp... 16.2°C (day+night comb.)
Coldest November day..... 9°C (2 times)
on 11 & 12/11/13
Coldest Nov. night..... -1°C on 1/11/16
Average night temperature..... 10.1°C
Coldest November 1992
Av. day temp. 18.8°C & nights 8.5°C
(lowest 6.5°C in 13)

If we receive the average rainfall for November and December (142mm combined), the 2022 total could be 938mm, which would be the equal 7th wettest year. The 46-year full year average rainfall is 696.4mm.

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Nature Notes - October 2022

J Walker

Quite heavy falls of rain at the beginning of October and showers all through the month have kept the ground moist, or even soggy – depending on which part of Wamboin you are in.

Apart from a meadow of bright yellow Common Buttercups (*Ranunculus lappaceus*) below the dam, green is the predominant colour in the landscape here at present – although the new growth on many of the eucalypts is adding a few different shades of yellowish green, orange or grey-green depending on the species. And the *Pomaderris angustifolia* bushes along Sutton Road are beginning a display of cream flowers. This plant has small, narrow leaves, but there is another plant in this genus along the same road with larger leaves. That one is *P. betulina* which also has cream flowers, although in less abundance than its neighbour.

The pea flowers are also coming into their own at the moment. The tall Leafy Bitter-peas (*Daviesia mimosoides*) are full of yellow and red flowers extending right along the stems. And the small *Dillwynia sericea* (Showy Parrot Pea) and the much taller *D. sieberi* are showing similar flowers. The low-growing *Bossiaea buxifolia* (Box-leaved Bossiaea) is also flowering, but is never quite as showy as many of the other peas. The purple-flowered False Sarsparilla (*Hardenbergia violacea*), which can be either a ground-cover or a climber, has been flowering for quite a while now, but a few are still bearing flowers. And the slightly paler flowers of the Austral Indigo (*Indigofera australis*) are still adorning some of their small bushes along local roadsides.

Another show of purple is being provided by the Mountain Kangaroo Apple (*Solanum linearifolium*). This is quite a tall shrub with linear leaves (sometimes with short lateral lobes) and purple flowers. The petals are fused so the flowers are plate-shaped and have five bright yellow central stamens.

A planted Grevillea on the mound near my water tank is full of red flowers at the moment and was attracting Honeyeaters recently – Eastern Spinebills, Yellow-faced Honeyeaters and Red Wattle-birds – but now the Wattle-birds seem to have claimed exclusive rights to the nectar there.

The constantly damp soil has encouraged the growth of weeds which will need some work this summer. But the birds seem to be enjoying them. The Sulphur-crested Cockatoos are spending some time feeding there, and recently there was a pair of adult Crimson Rosellas, accompanied by two juveniles, pecking away for a while.

The lizards around at the moment are still mostly the small Grass Skinks – although there was a healthy-looking young Eastern Bluetongue sunning itself on a rock in the garden last week.

But Long-necked Turtles are beginning to get around, so watch out for them crossing local roads – a common occurrence here. The Turtles mate and lay eggs in spring and early summer. They excavate a hole on dry land, lay a clutch of eggs, then cover them with

earth again. The eggs take about three months to fully develop, when the little beetle-sized hatchlings make their way to the nearest water. Spring is almost over, but, with continuing rain forecast, it looks as if Wamboin is going to have a green landscape well into summer.

WAMBOIN COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Friday, December 2nd 2022 @ 7:00pm

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Wamboin Home Produce and Craft Market Saturday 19 November 2022 (9-12md)

Contact: Meriel Schultz 62383309 or 042 261 4304 Email: lbsconsulting@bigpond.com

We finally had good weather for the October market – just as well as it was busy! A lot of stallholders both inside and outside and some new people – I always like that. Plenty of customers too. Landcare plants were popular as usual.

Two requests:

- We would love to hear from others in the community who would like to help out on our ‘Hang it on the Community Clothesline’ second hand clothing stall. Proceeds go to various charities.
- Is there someone out there who just loves making scones? Over the years we’ve had the luxury (variously) of Jenny’s, the church and then Kathleen’s scones. And our customers just love a good scone and jam and cream to go with Lou’s coffee. It’s a definite ‘gap’ at the moment!

We do of course have wonderful Italian sweet treats from Maria and a variety of slices and biscuits on offer. And of course we all love Joan’s egg and bacon rolls and sausage rolls..... But somehow we ARE just missing those scones!

The market is auspiced by the Wamboin Community Association. We accept any produce you have grown or made, but no selling-on of commercial products. Students of all ages who bring along produce or craft are very welcome. Some lovely jewellery at the October market. We encourage ‘young entrepreneurs’. The cost of a trestle table or spot for your own table/trailer/ute etc remains at \$5.00. These proceeds are returned to the Wamboin Community Association and the Hall Management Committee. They contribute towards hire of the hall and insurance etc.

Call or email me (see above) if you are interested or would like further information.

Being part of the market is a key part of being part of the Wamboin/Bywong community. See you there!

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The fire season this year is off to a wet start again. Preparation for fires isn't on most people's minds at the moment. Cutting your grass keeps the fire danger down, and encourages fresh new green grass to grow. If you don't cut your grass, it will grow, then die off (as that is the grass life cycle) and remain there until it is eaten by animals, falls over or decays away. Dead dry grass is a "fuel" and even if it's in wet ground, will support flames. Cutting your grass or having livestock or native animals eat it is one way to keep grass height down, but with so much rain this year the animals aren't keeping up.

If we do get those hot windy days, properties that don't have shorter green grass, are more likely to burn, and with wet boggy ground, it isn't our plan to take a heavy 14 tonne tanker off hard surfaces to fight fires. Conditions like this haven't happened for many years and will be challenging in the way we typically fight fires this year. Some areas in NSW are having grass fires already which are proving difficult to fight.

Whether it's a grass, bush or house fire, you should think that one day, us, another adjoining brigade or Queanbeyan NSW Fire and Rescue might have to attend your property. Fire trucks are large, heavy, and tall and don't turn around easily like a car does. No doubt we have all had trucks to our properties for deliveries at some time. Landscape supplies, firewood, water, garbage or septic pump outs for example. If you can easily get a heavy vehicle close to your house and turn around, then you can tick off one of the most important fire preparation items off your checklist. You should know the rest of your property better than us. You should know where it is wet all the time, and what tracks or roads you might think are accessible in all seasons, and where you wouldn't take a heavy vehicle. If you have a water tank or dam, could we access it easily? Giving us or another brigade your knowledge when turning up to your place for an incident, makes life easier and saves valuable time. Maybe take a walk from your front gate to your house and see what you can do you improve vehicle access.

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Permits

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Wamboin Markets next month! “Sim table”

Next month we are hoping to have on display at the November markets, a relatively new tool which displays a digital sand table model. An electronic map image is projected over a “sand like” landscape which is pushed into shape prior to form contours of the actual landscape of our area. We can introduce a fire, temperature, wind and other weather conditions and see real time spread of fire and where it travels. It truly an amazing piece of equipment and it will only be available for that day. Don't miss out!



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What the Heck Part 7

This month we look at some facts and figures of church services in Wamboin. Some of you readers will be included in these statistics, but if you are not, why not drop in for the next Sunday service and maybe help create a new record.

Anglican Church services began in Wamboin in 1985 with monthly services held in the Bingley Way Community Hall. These continued until 1994 when services became bi-monthly due to popular demand. Then in 1998 services were moved to the newly built church in Poppet Road. To this day services are held twice each month, one a communion service, the other a praise service.

Since that first service back in '85, there have been 892 occasions when a worship service has been held in Wamboin. (There would have been a few more had not the coronavirus caused disruption to gatherings.) In addition to these services there have been 55 baptisms, 3 confirmations, 6 weddings and 7 funerals.

Services have been led by a total of 81 different preachers, of which only 9 were women so we need more women to step up and offer to take a leading role in the presentation of services. The biggest congregation at a worship service was 52 in September '92 however there have been several larger attendances at the other services. Generally numbers in the congregation are larger for Easter and Christmas services, seventy plus being common. Baptisms attract a larger number, as does the Sunday following a wedding. The funeral service for Anne Owen was attended by 195 persons, whilst the service held in the new church building on Christmas Eve '97 was attended by 160.

In 2009 St Andrew's church held the first of an annual Nativity Pageant in the grounds, with parishioners playing the roles of the humans, along with live animals including sheep and donkeys. These pageants regularly attracted an audience of around 200 local people and continued each Christmas Eve for 9 years. The Pageant was discontinued due to the difficulty in finding enough 'actors' to play the parts. Finding youngsters to be Angels and Shepherds was not too difficult, but locating a baby to play Jesus involved begging potential parents from March onwards. Added to this was the difficulty encountered twisting arms for a Joseph and an Innkeeper, and a Mary prepared to ride a donkey whilst padded out with cushions, providing we could first locate a donkey. Sheep were not always co-operative for the shepherds, cattle and horses would not stay in the 'barn', and camels are very scarce in this area. There were plenty of offers of cats and dogs, however these do not figure prominently in the nativity story.

But the hardest part was locating three wise men. Had it been three wise women, we may have had better luck. – Alan Rope



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BUILDING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

A BIG THANK YOU to the 70 or so locals that came to the October Greenway Walk, drawing class, and Health and Family Fun Day. Another great turn out. Thanks also to QPRC, Bywong Community Association, John Pierre and volunteer walk leaders Kathy and Mel for supporting this event.

THE LAST WALK FOR THE YEAR will coincide with the Wamboin Home Produce Market. Please note the earlier start time. In addition to the forest walk we will be hosting a shorter walk on a dirt road (not a bush track). All welcome.

RESILIENCE PODCAST SERIES over the coming months we will continue to partner with local people, emergency services personnel, not for profit organisations and QPRC to speak on a range of topics helpful to those living in the region. To listen go to www.resilientbywongwamboin.net/podcasts.

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By Lorrae Stokes, Secretary, Wildcare

Wildcare has recently celebrated its 30th year of operation. Over that time the membership has ebbed and flowed but has stayed strong enough to enable the organisation to quietly go about it's core business of rescuing, rehabilitating, raising and releasing injured native animals.

Increasing urbanisation of the landscape has meant that humans and wildlife are pushed together probably more than the wildlife would like and as a result the number of animals that require immediate care increases as each year goes by. Humans being close by is not always a problem, but some species of animal can be very territorial and injuries due to unfriendly interactions may result, to humans as well as other animals, even amongst similar species.

Animals coming into care has increased each year and the number of members required to meet the demands of the organisation continues to grow.

This month Wildcare would like to focus on building the number of volunteers that it has to staff its helpline. The helpline telephone is the one the public call to report injured wildlife and ask for help. This function takes some time to learn and if you are interested in wildlife but do not want to commit to a caring role, joining the helpline roster is a great way to learn about birds and bats and wombats and kangaroos and possums and lizards etc.

What you need to be a helpline volunteer is some spare time (can be as little as six hours a month), mobile reception, an amount of patience, a willingness to learn about the local wildlife through liaison with Wildcare's expert carers, \$45 which is the membership fee (a bit cheeky of us) and an ability to work collaboratively with others to get the best outcome for the animal.

The help line is staffed by a volunteer 24/7 who works with the rest of the membership (which is made up of rescuers, carers and those tasked with bringing about peace to animals who have been suffered catastrophic injuries) to have the animal collected, if it can't be dropped off by the member of the public, and delivered to a carer or a veterinarian who will assess the condition of the animal and provide whatever attention is most appropriate in the first instance and into the longer term.

The roster is broken into shifts which are 7am-1pm, 1pm-7pm and 7pm-7am. Some people volunteer to do a single shift a month while others volunteer to do more, depending on the individual's circumstances. If you are considering doing some volunteering, consider Wildcare and get in touch by visiting the website www.wildcare.com.au or phoning 62991966 or by emailing membership@wildcare.com.au.

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Garden Notes

We first moved to Bywong in 1990, living in a small shed on a bush block. For several years our priorities were building the house, children and, of course, our salaried jobs to pay for it all. But there were always thoughts of gardens looming in the background, and an orchard and a vegetable garden have gradually evolved over nearly 30 years.

Why? The main reasons for wanting these gardens are that we enjoy growing plants and eating the produce. There have been many challenges along the way, including poor soils, drought and flooding rain, frost and heat, and plant and animal pests. But these provide opportunities for creative solutions, and if successful, the rewards include nutritious and tasty food, a feeling of self-sufficiency (fewer trips to the market) and even, dare I say it, to the extent of 'living off the fat of the land' (spoiler alert).

In retrospect, it's also been quite a journey experiencing these gardens from their original designs, through the many 'improvements' along the way, until eventually they have become places of functionality and beauty. It is a pleasure (mostly) to spend time outside enjoying this environment. It is also very positive for one's mental and physical health, provided you have a satisfactory balance between love of gardening on the one hand, and the necessity to attend to gardening chores on the other.

Alarm bell #1: Weeding, pruning, spraying, harvesting, preserving and general garden maintenance all take time, and inevitably compete with one's other interests. This means a garden might generate tensions, rather than relieve them, if you don't have the balance right. If you like to travel extensively, productive gardens may not be the right choice for you. Since my retirement my daily routine is more flexible and it's been easier to deal with this competition for one's time. Tasks can be addressed in a timely fashion, rather than postponed, which usually means a reduction in overall workload and more satisfactory outcomes.

Alarm bell #2: Avoid establishing a garden in the belief that it will save you money. The costs of materials (fencing, netting, garden beds, irrigation) can be considerable, and depending on your 'pay grade', the time you spend on garden chores inevitably makes the produce expensive. The real reward comes from time spent amongst healthy plants, sampling perfectly ripened produce along the way.

For any readers who have not yet been scared off, a brief description follows of our basic garden layouts, what we grow and how it is used.

How? and What? The vegetable garden is fenced, sheltered from the wind and consists of six beds, most approx. 1.5 m x 10 m in size, with drip irrigation from a dam. Usually there is no need for any pest control as the fence excludes kangaroos and wallabies. We largely avoid growing Brassicas because of the need to control cabbage white butterfly larvae. Our soil is what was originally present, but it has been improved and supplemented over the years with compost, mulch, green manure and coarse sand.

We mostly focus on summer vegetables, usually eaten fresh although excesses (corn, beans) are frozen, or (tomatoes) preserved in jars. The highest priority group includes tomato, sweet corn, carrot, lettuce, capsicum, chilli pepper, potato, onion, spinach, turnip,

cucumber, snap pea, broad bean, green bean, zucchini, herbs. There are permanent beds of globe artichoke, asparagus and rhubarb. If space permits we will also experiment with pumpkin, watermelon, eggplant, parsnip, button squash and maize, and it's fun to occasionally try exotics such as tomatillo, cucumelon, African horned cucumber, celeriac, golden berry. We buy very few vegetables from January to May.

The orchard is approx. 30 m x 15 m in size, fenced, permanently netted, and drip irrigated from a dam. The trees (about 35) require pruning (mostly in winter), and several sprays (winter oil, various fungicides, insecticide) from winter through to summer. The produce is used either fresh or preserved (dried, frozen, bottled, or made into jams). We grow several varieties of each of our major fruits (apple, apricot, peach, nectarine, plum, fig, sweet cherry, quince, persimmon) to spread out harvest times and avoid gluts. In addition there are single varieties of nashi pear, pomegranate, pear, sour cherry, black mulberry. As well as the trees, there are several bushes each of blackcurrant, redcurrant, jostaberry, blueberry and boysenberry. Table grapes (6 varieties) are a new project.

Every year is a different story in the orchard, with weather and disease being the main variables. With multiple trees of different varieties we usually have excess produce, and sometimes it can be hard to find the time required for processing the fruit. But starting with the blossoms in spring to eating preserved fruit throughout the year the orchard is a luxury that living with space allows.












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Bird Of The Month

By Luke Downey

For November I chose the White-throated Gerygone (pronounced ger-rig-gon-ee), a very small and colourful bird that also has a very distinctive call.

White-throated Gerygone (*Gerygone olivacea*)

Size: 10-11.5cm

Status: Fairly common summer migrant

The White-throated Gerygone is a small bird that can often be difficult to see. As it actively moves around in the foliage of the trees. However, when you do see one, it is a very vibrant lemon-yellow underneath, which is quite striking. The throat is distinctly white, the eye is red, and the



upperparts are grey-brown. The darker tail has white along the edges. The species has a very pleasant, descending whistle, pitching up at the end before petering off, sometimes referred to as the "falling leaf" call. It can be often heard in grassy open woodlands locally over the summer months. The species migrates south from northern Australia to breed. Their nest is a long, hanging, pendular dome with the entrance on the side. The parents

work together to raise the young, which are at first a dull yellow all over, before reaching maturity. White-throated Gerygones often occur, alone or in pairs, usually within mixed flocks of other small birds such as Thornbills, Robins, or Honeyeaters. They actively glean insects from foliage in the canopy. They prefer more open woodlands than well-forested areas, and can be surprisingly absent from some sites and present at others. Their call can be somewhat similar to the visually different Western Gerygone (which is plain grey overall), but that species' call rises repeatedly up and down, rather than a constant descending call. Other species such as Yellow Thornbill and Weebill can seem visually similar but are not as vibrant yellow, lack the white throat, and have a very different call. Over the summer, keep an eye and ear out for these colourful, yet small birds. (Photo from Google Images)

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Lisa Whitney, drawn by John-Pierre Favre



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Wamboin Golf - November

Sunday 2 October saw 18 players front the starter for the October Wamboin Golf competition. According to our golf historian, Lofty Mason, this was the 37th anniversary of Wamboin Golf, having seen the first game played on 6 October 1985. It was a novelty this month to have a dryish day, although as has been the case for a number of months now, the course in places was still very moist!

The sponsor this month was Matt Hawke who was ably assisted by his brother Zac. Much discussion was entertained as to which was the younger and/or better-looking brother. We thank them both for the prizes and refreshments. Matt decided the event would be 'Stroke' and apparently Zac would have been a willing participant but had to keep his clubs in the bag due to an unexplained injury to his shoulder. Zac was awarded the encouragement prize in anticipation of his recovery. Always next month as they say.

We welcomed back father and son team Stephen and Taylor Miners after a hiatus of several years. The last time they played Taylor was referred to as the Mini-Miner. Stephen definitely made an impression on the handicapper and was only saved from the Ned Kelly award by his 'visitor' classification for the event. His score of 87/58 even drew commentary from Taylor who can't remember his father playing this well ever!

The nine-hole competition was played using the Eastern course this month, and despite the wild pigs having quite a party at Steve's place the course was in good condition. Gerard Ryan (39/31) took out the competition from Ken Gordon (37/33).

The junior competition was taken out by Robert Thompson with a score 52 net 31. Robert had just returned from competing in an U14 competition in Newcastle in which he placed second. Amazing result for a 7-year-old. The 18-hole competition was taken out by



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Tim Barter (76/68) from Glenn Crafter (84/70). Ball winners for longest drives and nearest the pins went to: Glenn Crafter (3), Gerard Ryan, Nev Schroder, Taylor Miners, Stephen Miners and Tim Barter. The googly ball was awarded to Nev Schroder for his adventurous par 3 at the Hall, and the dummy spit was awarded Keith France for what came across as a complaint that his name wasn't on the board (following his hole-in-one earlier this year). The dummy was later shared with Joan Mason for a request for greater gender recognition in the long drive and nearest the pin competitions, before being quickly transferred to Larry King following his suggested fix for said request. Robert Thompson provided us with his 'Butcher' joke before Ken Gordon recited the Ted Evans Joke which had been prepared found on a facebook post by Gerard Ryan. The joke involved a discussion about ageing gracefully.



Next month, the November event will be the Wamboin Open, sponsored by the golf club. We hope you can join us at the community hall at 12.15pm on Sunday, 6 November for the usual 12.30pm start. – Ken Gordon

Steak With Herbs And Prosciutto - Cindy's Retro Rewind

Our garden is slowly coming to life, at the moment we have fordhook giant silverbeet and the most amazing asparagus. In a raised garden bed, we have three varieties fat bastard, Mary Washington, and sweet purple. They have a much better taste than store bought and only need minimum cooking. The herbs on the balcony are producing tender spring growth excellent for this recipe. This is an updated recipe from my childhood, there was very little in the way of fresh herbs then and prosciutto was unheard of.

- 1 steak per person, you can use porterhouse or sizzle steak.
 - Pound with a meat mallet till very thin but be careful not to create any holes
 - ½ cup mixed herbs, I used oregano, thyme, sage, and parsley. Rosemary tends to be a bit tough.
 - 2 tablespoon good olive oil 2-3 slices of prosciutto per steak
 - In a bowl mix the herbs and olive oil then spread thickly over each steak. Lay the prosciutto over the herb mixture and tightly roll up the steaks. Firmly wrap in glad wrap and place in the fridge. I do this at lunch or in the morning, so they have time to marinate.
 - When you are ready to cook unwrap the steak slice carefully into 2.5cm lengths and secure each piece with a toothpick. Each steak should give you 4 – 5 pieces. Fry gently on a medium heat, to hot or too long and they will be dry. Serve with your steamed silverbeet and asparagus or a salad
- Cindy Scott-Findlay, Wamboin

Can you compose something for the combined December 2022 / January 2023 Wamboin Whisper?

Thank you to each of you who helped deliver this November 2022 Wamboin Whisper, ran an ad in it and thereby helped pay to print it, or wrote something in it. The Whisper is just one of the many ways we have of talking to each other. Its main purpose is to print articles written by Bywong and Wamboin residents and ads prepared by businesses working to offer goods and services to residents. Deadline for the upcoming 2022end/2023start issue is 7 pm Sunday night, November 27 Can you write something for this next issue that will invite, inform or entertain? It should be at least related to living in Bywong and Wamboin, and, except for ads or announcements, not printed elsewhere. Respect the diversity of views to be found in our 1,300+ homes. If it could increase your income, send it in, but think about paying for it as an ad. Thanks for anything you can come up with. - Ned Noel, volunteer editor on behalf of the Wamboin Community Association, nednoel@optusnet.com.au or whisper@wamboincommunity.org.au or 0409 997 082.

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Wamboin Community Carols Night

It might not feel it yet but the end of year is approaching faster than we might believe and so too is the annual Wamboin Community Carols Night! Put on by the Wamboin Community Association this is a wonderful way to celebrate the end of the year with a community get together. This is a non-denominational event and the emphasis is on the community enjoying themselves particularly the younger residents. Admission to the event is a gift under the Christmas tree for the Salvation Army people to take to someone less fortunate.

The night features carol singing ably supported by local music group Poetry in Motion, the telling of the Christmas story (in its rather unique style), a BBQ (gold coin donation which also goes to the Salvo's), and of course the arrival of Santa to distribute gift bags to the children. The date for this extravaganza is 2nd December 2022 at 7:00 pm sharp at the Community Hall in Bingley Way. So please come along and enjoy yourselves.

Parents of children wishing to perform in the Christmas Play are invited (PLEASE) to ring Jenny Richards on 6238 1329 as soon as possible to organize parts.



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Possumwood – Wildlife Veterinary Hospital, Research and Training Facility

November WCA Spring Talk at the Wamboin Hall, Bingley Way - Tuesday 15th November, 7:30pm

Guest presenters Professor Steve Garlick PhD and Dr Rosemary Austen PhD, MBBS, are the owners and key principals at Possumwood here in Wamboin. Steve is a former senior executive with the federal government, consultant advisor to the OECD and a professor of economics at several universities. He is currently an honorary professor in Compassionate Conservation at the University of Technology Sydney with research interests in applied ethics and wildlife behaviour. Rosemary has a research background in biotechnology and has been a medical practitioner in Canberra for more than 25 years.

Possumwood Wildlife is a licenced veterinary hospital for injured and sick wildlife. They rescue, treat, rehabilitate and release these animals back to the wild when fully recovered. It is a registered charity with DGR status. Possumwood receives no money from any sphere of government and relies on private donation and the resources of its owners.

In the past 22 years they have helped more than 6000 injured and sick wild animals, many of which have been in the Wamboin, Bywong and Bungendore areas. Since obtaining its NSW Veterinary Board registration in 2020, the hospital has treated around 500 patients annually.

Injuries treated result from wire fence entanglement, dog and fox attack, motor vehicle collision, human harassment, and gunshot. Wild animals are also subject to a range of illnesses that can be treated. As a key triage centre during the Black Summer Bush Fires, Possumwood helped 30 burns cases. Possumwood also has an active wildlife research and training program.

We hope you will join Steve, Rosemary and your fellow Wamboin residents for tea, coffee and light refreshments following their presentation. – Ian Donald, WCA Committee Member

Anonymous Letter

Generally the Whisper won't print anonymous items. This person gave a name and a Wamboin address and felt this reminder to be important. – Ned Noel, editor

Please put a note in for dog owners who take their dogs for walks throughout Wamboin. Please keep your dog on a lead at all times. If your dog defecates in a public place you must immediately remove the dog's faeces and properly dispose of them. The below extract is from the Queanbeyan Palerang (QPRC) Web site: 5. Penalties and fines related to companion animals. If you own a dog you are responsible for their actions. Below are some of the legislative requirements for owning a dog, in accordance with the [Companion Animals Act 1998](#) and the [Companion Animals Regulation 2008](#).

- All dogs must be microchipped by 12 weeks of age or earlier if sold or given away
- All dogs must be lifetime registered by 6 months of age
- All dogs must wear a collar and identification tag when outside their property
- A dog that is in a public place must be under the effective control of a competent person at all times, by using an adequate chain, cord or leash that is attached to the dog and that is being held by (or secured to) the person
- Dogs must not, without provocation, attack or menace a person or animal
- The owner or person in charge of a dog that defecates in a public place must immediately remove the dog's faeces and properly dispose of them.

Failure to comply can result in fines and penalties being imposed on the owner of the dog.



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QPRC Mobile Library @ Wamboin

The Mobile Library will be at the Wamboin Hall in Bingley Way from 10.30am to 11.30am on Thursday 3rd November and Thursday 17th November. The December dates are Thursday 1 December and Thursday 15th December. No Mobile visits in January. Even if you are not a Library Member still turn up, Mobile Library staff can join you up on the day and you can borrow immediately. This service is provided to Wamboin residents each fortnight by the QPRC for their enjoyment and convenience, please continue to use it. Check the QPRC Library Website and Facebook page for other events hosted by the Library for QPRC residents of all ages, library.qprc.nsw.gov.au - Kaye Johnston, Wamboin

St Peter's Garden Art Fair

St Peter's (33 Camp Street Sutton) is holding a Garden Art Fair on Saturday 26th November from 9am to 2pm. The Fair will be raising funds for the fit-out of the long-awaited St Peter's Hall. You are all invited to come along and enjoy live music, fine food, coffee and browse the plant and art works stalls. There will be fun activities for children including face painting, pot and pet rock painting and games to play. There are also competitions for the children to enter with lots of fun prizes. Entry by Gold coin donation. - Ian Donald

Wamboin Hall Bookings November, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Playgroup 10:30-12 noon	Pilates 5:30-6:15pm	Social Club 10-12 Noon. Table Tennis 6-9PM		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Wamboin Golf	WW of Wamboin 10:12 noon	Playgroup 10:30-12 noon	Pilates 5:30-6:15pm	Social Club 10-12 Noon. Table Tennis 6-9PM		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	WW of Wamboin 10:12 noon	Playgroup 10:30-12 noon. WCA Meeting 7:30pm	Pilates 5:30-6:15pm	Social Club 10-12 Noon. Table Tennis 6-9PM		Wamboin Markets 9:12 noon
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	WW of Wamboin 10:12 noon	Playgroup 10:30-12 noon	Sew 'n Sews 9:30-2:30 Pilates 5:30-6:15pm	Social Club 10-12 Noon. Table Tennis 6-9PM	Private booking	Private booking
27	28	29	30			
Private Booking	WW of Wamboin 10:12 noon	Playgroup 10:30-12 Christmas Carol Practice	Pilates 5:30-6:15pm. Christmas Carol practice			

December, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				SOCIAL CLUB 10AM-12 TABLE TENNIS 6-9PM	WCA CHRISTMAS CAROLS 7PM	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
WAMBOIN GOLF	WW OF W 10-12 NOON	PLAYGROUP 10:30-12 NOON	PILATES 5:30-6:15 PM	SOCIAL CLUB 10AM-12 TABLE TENNIS 6-9PM		Private Booking
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A Chronology of Wamboin and District, Part 10: 1973-1982

David McDonald

In August the fourth edition of an historical timeline of our local area, titled ‘A Chronology of Wamboin and District, NSW’, was published at the Wamboin Community Association’s (WCA’s) website. Visit <https://www.wamboincommunity.asn.au/localhistory/> and navigate through the left-hand-side menus Wamboin Locality | Chronology. It commences with a two-page synopsis for readers seeking a brief overview of the history of the area.

This is the tenth article presenting some items from the Chronology that focus specifically on Wamboin and district, rather than the broader, contextual happenings. It covers the period 1967 to 1973, and future issues will continue the series. The full version of the Chronology at the WCA website provides the documentary sources (including URLs where appropriate) underpinning these contents and, in some cases, additional information, as well as other entries for the time period covered below.

And I pass my thanks to Frank Watson for providing a correction and update to a 1950 entry published in September’s *Whisper*, p. 20, below.

Date	Occurrence/comment
1950	As you travel along Norton Road, and cross the headwaters of the Yass River, about 1.5 km south is the Murryong Outstation Residence where Jack & Nita Welch lived, from 1950 to 1976. Jack and Nita raised 6 children there: Peter, Steven, Allen, Gregory, Evelyn and Karen. Their access was via Kowen Forest to the Molonglo Gorge forestry road.
1973, 14 Sep	A group of 16 ANU professional and academic staff, led by Keith France who later moved to Wamboin, commenced negotiating with the NSW Department of Lands, and subsequently with Yarrowlunla Shire Council, to proclaim the Village of Bywong as a village for residential purposes, and for crown leases to be granted to them there. Their plan was to create a residential village out of the 33 lots created through the original 1895 survey. The authorities refused to re-zone the land to create residential lots, ostensibly owing to Council’s preference to develop Sutton before considering other areas.
1974, early	The CSIRO Division of Land Use Research’s Hydrology Group established ‘... an experimental area for the study of water quality and surface and sub-surface hydrology’. This was located in the crown land reserve on the Wamboin side of Kowen Forest, accessed from the old Kowen Road, and on a one square mile area of land on the nearby ‘Old Kowen’ property, land owned by Betty Watson (née Hyles) and managed by her husband, Peter Watson. The lease expired on 31 December 1985. The current owner of ‘Old Kowen’, Frank Watson, advises that ‘There are plenty of white pipes in the ground to show where they had been and also plenty of metal pipe bore holes’ on ‘Old Kowen’.
1977, 12 Aug	‘The second section of Canberra Country Estate, on the Sutton Road between the Federal Highway and Queanbeyan, has been placed on the market and found a ready demand for the 8-hectare blocks. Mr Ian McNamee, the estate agent handling the subdivision, said yesterday that more than half the 25 blocks adjacent to Cowan (<i>sic</i>) Forest had already been sold and inquiries were being made for those still left. The area is about 20 kilometres from Civic and 15 kilometres from Queanbeyan. There would be a further release of blocks in about three months.’
1978	Lark Hill winery established by Sue & Dave Carpenter. The vines were planted that year; the first vintage was in 1981.
1979	Bill Cartwright ‘... remembers the big fire that hit Sutton in 1979. It burned 72,000 acres in 24 hours. It started in Hall when electricity lines touched, and was pushed by northwesterlies to the Sutton area, where it burned several outlying houses as well as large areas of grass, trees, and fences. Then the wind changed to a southwesterly, and the fire moved from the Sutton area towards Lake George. On Woodbury, their property just south of Sutton, the Cartwrights lost about 300 sheep and most of their fencing.’
1980, 26 Jan	‘To be awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in the General Division (O.A.M.), Edward Leslie Joseph REARDON, Summer Hill, Bungendore, N.S.W. 2621. For service to local government and to the community.’ Les Reardon was a Yarrowlunla Shire Councillor for many years, and its President for much of that time.
1980, 21 Oct	‘Turalla and Garden, Gundaroo Rd, Bungendore’, entered into the Register of the National Estate. Gundaroo Road was the former name of the present Bungendore Road.
1981, 21 Jun	‘A working bee to complete the fire shed in Cooper Rd was held on Sunday 21. Jun 81.’
1981, Jul	First issue of the <i>Wamboin Whisper</i> published by the Wamboin Community Association (WCA: unincorporated at that stage). First editor: Derek Gough from Cooper Road, who remained editor until December 1983. The title in the masthead shortened in 1988 to <i>The Whisper</i> .
1981, 4 Sep	The ‘geographical name’ ‘Wamboin’ was assigned and gazetted as a feature within the parishes of Amungula, Goorooyarrou and Wamboin, with the co-ordinates 35° 15’ S, 149° 17’ E. These co-ordinates are between Fernloff Road and Canning Close.
1981, 3 Oct	Apparently the first ‘Wee Wamboinian’, i.e. the first birth to Wamboin residents: Jessica Kate Skye, daughter of Kitty and Ian McNeill, born in the Royal Canberra Hospital.
1982-1983	The 1982 to 1983 drought. At Cooper Road, Wamboin, just 364.5 mm of rain was recorded for the whole of 1982.