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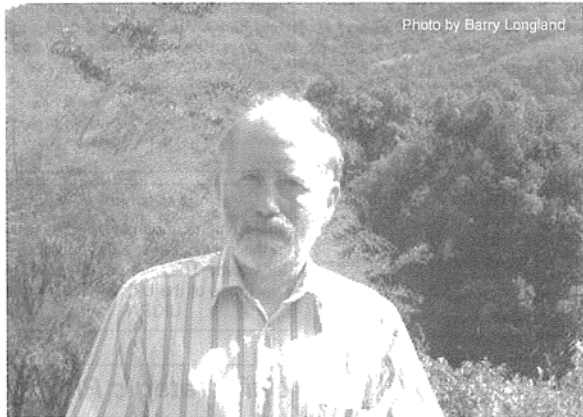


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Uki Strategic Plan

by Barry Longland

The first public event in the process of reviewing the Uki Strategic Plan undertaken in 2000/01 is set to take place with a **PUBLIC FORUM** at the **UKI HALL** at **10.30am** on **SUNDAY, JUNE 24**. Everyone is invited to participate in setting the future goals and priorities for the village of Uki and district. The meeting will be followed by a sausage sizzle provided by the Residents' Association so it is time to tell your friends and mark your diaries.

Douglas Jardine (pictured above) has been chosen as facilitator for the review after a call for expressions of interest in the last *Uki News*. Douglas was formerly the head of strategic planning at Tweed Shire Council and brings with him a wealth of experience in planning and associated public consultation. He will report to a Steering Committee comprising

local residents Barry Harding, Jules Lewin, Eddie Roberts, Natasha Wernick, Phil Carr and Barry Longland.

The review will be assisted by Jenni Funari, Community Development Officer from Tweed Shire Council who will work with the community throughout the process. Jenni has recently participated in similar planning processes for Chillingham and Tyalgum and her experience and energy for community development work will help to ensure the best possible outcome for Uki.

With the Uki Locality Plan that was adopted by Council in 2006, an updated Strategic Plan will be invaluable in negotiating social, environmental and economic outcomes with the relevant policy makers and funding bodies.

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Uki Church Services

Mass at St Columba's Catholic Church 1st Sunday each month at 10am.

Anglican Church Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays.

Morning Prayer 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays all at 9am.

All readers are urged to respond to the call for participation in the review of the Uki strategic plan which is the subject of this edition's front page. The achievements of the community since the planning exercise undertaken in 2000/2001 have been considerable. Not the least of these has been the purchase and refurbishment of the Buttery which will stand as a major community asset for our future generations. In addition, we have the Uki News, website, landscaping and road works around the Buttery as well as a host of minor infrastructure improvements in the village. However, there is still much that can be achieved and new ideas that will have emerged in the years since the first strategic plan. The review

will serve to identify the issues that are important to our community and provide a springboard from which we can collectively work for their implementation.

The Association has recently commenced discussion with Council to have Uki's public toilets replaced. It is clear that the current facilities have reached the end of their useful life and are clearly inadequate from a disability access standpoint. This request is part of a wider UKIRA initiative to have public access issues throughout the village addressed by Council.

Finally, most readers would be aware that long-standing tenant Natasha Wernick (Barbareki Beads) has closed her shop at the Buttery. I would like to thank Nata-

sha for her past commitment to the butter factory project and wish her well in her future endeavours. We are hoping that an exciting new tenancy will be commencing soon.

UKIRA is the Uki Village and Districts Residents' Association Incorporated, a not-for-profit community organisation that provides a forum for residents to discuss and act upon local issues. You can contact President Barry Longland on 6679 5220. UKIRA MEETINGS are held the 1st Tuesday of each month in the Uki Hall at 7pm. Please come along to our next meetings on the 3rd of June and 7th of August 2007.

Disclaimer

The opinions and views expressed in this newsletter are the contributor's own. They are not necessarily those of the Uki News nor of UKIRA.

Editorial

I get many compliments from readers, contributors and advertisers in the Uki News—very nice for me, but quite unjustified! The real strength of the newsletter is in our community, and the people who are prepared to get involved in local and national issues, and to share their enthusiasms with us. Regrettably, the Uki News must remain at its present 16-page size due to the cost of printing. This means that I often struggle to fit in a representative sample of all the interesting activities and events that are worthy of coverage, and must disappoint some people.

Rest assured that I do try to include at least something for everyone, but inevitably some contributions will be cut to save space, and others reduced to little more than a mention. Priority always goes to local issues, and to the very popular regular columnists, but even these can suffer the editorial blue pencil and be reduced in length if necessary. Please don't feel slighted if your event or issue isn't given the coverage it deserves—it just doesn't have enough space!

Issue 36 will be distributed on August 8th—deadline for that issue is 23 July.

Anita Morton

Uki Strategic Plan

(Continued from page 1)

The Strategic Plan will be a contemporary expression of community aspirations for Uki and the South Arm.

The June 24 forum will be the first in a number of opportunities that will be available to have your say, including a survey/questionnaire to be distributed in late July and a second forum planned for September.

Who to contact

See the editor (Anita) in person at the Uki Hall market, every Saturday between 8am and 1pm, if you would like to discuss any Uki News business.

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Village voices

Do you have some free time? Re is looking for volunteers to help man the Tourist Information Centre located within her shop, Re's Intrigues, so that she can take a few hours off. Duties are simple and easy to learn, and you'll meet and assist people visiting our village. Pop in to see Re during shop hours at the Butter Factory.

Uki Climate Action Now (U CAN)
Tuesday 19-6-07, UKI HALL,
7.30pm to 9.30pm – learn how to reduce carbon emissions and save money, too! Bring a recent power bill and we will use a computer to analyse it and tailor a carbon reduction programme for your household. Children welcome. Come along – the planet needs you! (More details page 14.)
U CAN will hold a public event on the third Tuesday of every month.

Why not take part in Council's free Enviro Saver programme – phone 1300 780 858 to make an appointment for a free in-home energy audit and the installation of energy-efficient light bulbs and water-saving showerheads at no cost. The consultant will also advise you on reducing energy usage, and it's all free in return for the carbon credits generated.

The CTC advises that they are having a clean-up of all computers and this will mean the hard disks will be cleared of all data. If you have data on a file under a CTC customer's directory which you have not backed up to a disk or USB drive, please do so as soon as possible.

The card players meet every Tuesday morning in the hall and welcome new players. Cost is only \$2 and includes morning tea. Contact Joy on 6679 5297.

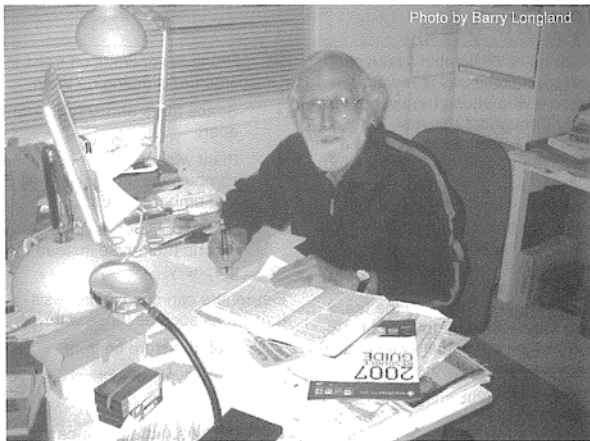


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Congratulations Dr John!

On Friday 18th May Rev'd Dr John Tyman was ordained a priest in the Anglican Church by the Bishop of Grafton, the Rt Rev'd Keith Slater.

Dr John Tyman and his wife Penny are well known in the Uki community, as for many years now Dr John has officiated as Deacon in the Uki Holy Trinity Church (part of the parish of Murwillumbah). Dr John, a retired university Geography lecturer, is a dedicated man who has given much to our community over a period of many years, working tirelessly to help break down intolerance between peoples of different beliefs and cultures. He has spent many years working and living with different ethnic groups around the world and has lectured extensively in schools and with community groups around the country, helping others to appreciate the richness of cultures other than our own.

Dr John Tyman will have specific responsibility for our church and the surrounding district of Uki, and this has happened at a most opportune time, as Holy Trinity is about to be upgraded and renovated. The heritage-listed church celebrated its centenary in 2004, and I know that Dr John has wonderful, exciting plans for the future.

You too can become part of our 'new look' church by coming along on Sunday. Everyone is most welcome at Holy Trinity Church no matter what your background may be. The church services are held at 9.00am every Sunday and Dr John does everything possible to make the services joyful, relaxed yet meaningful for all.

Congratulations Dr John – and welcome back as OUR priest.

Michael Coveney

The CTC has a new Digital Camera Club. If you'd like to get the most from your digital camera, go along on the last Friday of each month from 1.30 to 3.30pm. Full details on page 14.

OOSH after school hours care 3 to 6pm Monday to Friday Phone 6679 5128

Be fire-wise

Friends of Wollumbin's education program continues to reward the people who attend the events they hold throughout the year. On March 17 Scott Sewell from the Rural Fire Service NSW Far North Coast Team presented a power point talk about how we can all reduce the hazard of bushfires in our own homes, and what we can do to establish an asset protection zone (APZ) around our houses, sheds and garages. Scott and the team are happy to come to assist members of the community with putting together a plan for their own APZ.

Showing graphic images of recent fires in Byrrell Creek, Cabarita and Yelgun, Scott reminded us that main bushfire season is from August – November with September to March being a period of lesser danger. Now is the time to take action so during the next few months any resident who considers their property to be vulnerable in bushfires should:

- ◆ Clean gutters and seal gaps in roofs;

- ◆ Prune lower limbs off trees to stop fire climbing up them;
- ◆ Space trees and shrubs 2-5m apart;
- ◆ Plant windbreaks or use non-combustible fences as heat and ember shields;
- ◆ Use pebbles or paving around the house instead of greenery;

Gardeners can choose fire resistant plants such as those with:

- ◆ High moisture content
- ◆ High levels of salt
- ◆ Smooth bark
- ◆ Dense foliage in the canopy
- ◆ Low oil content in the bark and foliage.

After Scott's presentation Therese Zambelli and Frank Zambelli from the Tweed RFS went through the main points of preparing for an imminent fire event. These include:

- ◆ Dress in protective clothing with long sleeves and trou-

by **Julia Hancock**

sers (made from cotton as synthetic fibres melt) and wear leather shoes rather than thongs;

- ◆ Drink water frequently;
- ◆ Plug downpipes and fill all gutters with water;
- ◆ Fill buckets, basins, baths and sinks with water;
- ◆ Make sure children and family pets are inside;
- ◆ Close windows and shutters;
- ◆ Wet down roof, house and garden and turn on the sprinkler system if you have one;
- ◆ Remove flammable outdoor items including gas bottles, patio furniture, hoses and hose fittings;
- ◆ Check roof cavity and beneath the house for spot fires and embers.

For more information call the RFS Enquiry Line on 1800 NSW RFS, RFS Far North Coast on 02 6684 3662 or visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.

DON'T MISS THE LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET in Uki Hall every SATURDAY from 8am to 12.30pm.

Fire Brigade news

The Kunghur Brigade was recently successful in receiving a Commonwealth Government Grant for Small Equipment. Some of the money will go towards purchasing a generator and floodlights for use in emergency accidents. Other items will be used for training exercises. For the past few months training has been held at Cram's Farm with great success. Recently the inter-brigade Night of Nights was held at Pottsville hosted by the Tweed Coast Brigade and Kunghur was the winner of the Golden Hydrant for the second time.

On Sunday 8th July we will be holding our AGM at 10.00 a.m. at the shed. All welcome. After the meeting the Rural Fire Service FireWise education trailer will be

available with printed information to help citizens protect their property from bushfires. The winter months are the best time to prepare for the summer fire season. Also available is a DVD display and handouts as way of explanation. Keep Saturday 14th July in mind. The Kunghur Ball will be hosted by the Brigade and the Hall committee. A good night of dancing is promised.

Remember if you are burning off you are required to notify your neighbours 24 hours prior to the fire. By doing this it could save misunderstanding with an unnecessary callout. Hope to see you at the AGM and the Kunghur Ball.

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Eating for wellness

by Judith Magee

Food is one of the most common issues that comes up in my clinic – what to eat, when to eat, how much to eat, low fat, low carb, raw, organic, blood type diet – the possibilities are confusing. Helping people eat more appropriately for their life and their body is always part of their recovery. Sometimes, how and what people need to eat for optimal health is related to what is happening in their body and needs to be discussed with a health professional. For most of us though, the basics apply. These include:

- Wherever possible choose fresh whole, unrefined, unprocessed foods.
- Have protein-rich foods with each meal or snack. Protein-rich foods include: fish, other seafood, poultry, meat, eggs, dairy foods and soy foods like tofu and tempeh.

- Have plenty of fresh vegetables, a *minimum* of three cups daily – If you are trying to lose weight, then tomatoes, carrots, peas, pumpkin and avocado need to be used in moderation because they are high in calories – limit to one cup (raw) in total daily.
 - If you are trying to lose weight, limit high glycaemic load foods (e.g. potato, bread, pasta and rice) to one serving daily in total.
 - Include nuts and seeds and healthy oils in your diet
 - Have plenty of fresh salad greens
 - Keep fruit to two pieces or one cup daily
 - Water minimum eight glasses daily
- Drink alcohol, coffee, and black tea in moderation

Weed woes

We are all concerned at the aquatic weeds covering large sections of the Tweed River near Byangum Bridge. According to Council Water and Sewerage Operations Engineer, Peter Haywood, the main offending weeds are Red Azolla and Salvinia. These are both surface weeds feeding on nutrients in the river. The lack of rain and the unusually warm recent temperatures have provided ideal conditions for these weeds to flourish. Council has placed booms across the river trying to keep the weeds away from the Bray Park weir where they could potentially create problems at the weir pool. Peter said that a reasonable rainfall event should be sufficient to flush the weed over the weir, but if the weed continues to expand without relief Council may have to undertake mechanical harvesting to control it.

Phil Carr

Be well and eat for life!



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Creators great and small

Last time I wrote of the difficulty I had understanding how a so-called 'fundamentalist' could worship Someone as the source of life, and then go out and slaughter the innocent in the name of their god. This month I reflect on the similar inconsistency of those who declare that their 'God is Great' or 'Almighty', and yet believe that they know all there is to know about Him (or Her?). All such claims are acts of arrogance and blasphemy, for how could a creature ever know all there is to know about his or her creator?

This is not an academic question: it has practical implications. For those who believe that they possess 'The Truth' will as often as not feel led to reject those whose understanding in their eyes is inadequate.

Our newspapers these days are soiled by stories of Muslim 'fundamentalists' who consider the rest of us to be infidels without worth. But similar attitudes can be found in other religions. Many Christians, for example, refer to the Bible as 'the Word of God', and wield it as a weapon to oppress with His authority. I prefer to think of the Bible as a collection of books, some historical, some poetic, which tell of a particular nation's search for 'the Other'. It speaks of God still to those with ears to hear, but much of it is clearly the word of man, not God. Those who use it to deny women or gay priests their rightful place in the Church must surely worship very small gods - for my God is great, and my God is Love.

Rev'd Dr John Tyman

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Red Cross Report

With Joy Armour



The President and members of Uki Red Cross would like to thank everyone for their support of our Winter Appeal (took place after the Uki News goes to press – for details of money raised, please see the hall noticeboard).

The Annual Meeting will be held in Uki Hall on Tuesday 17th of July at 10am – new members very welcome.

A big Thank You to all who helped with the Great Australian Morning Tea in aid of cancer research, which was held on May 24th. It's a community effort, so our thanks go out to all.

Art in the garden

Shirley Kennedy's Life Drawing classes have been gathering momentum since she began four years ago. Usually held at the Tweed Regional Art Gallery, she decided to do something different on 9 May and brought her students to Uki for a workshop in Julia Hancock's Sunrise Place garden.

Seventeen students enjoyed the morning strolling around the garden and sketching the model in various poses before being taken on a guided tour of some of the local art galleries including Precious Earth Pottery in Uki's Old Butter Factory, Gallery 100 in Braeside Drive, Gloria Roszkiewicz's glass studio at Toon Place, Robert Todonai's studio at the Castle in Bonnydoon Road and CPM print gallery in Bray Park.

The workshop was such a success that Shirley is planning to do it again. Watch this space for forthcoming details.

Julia Hancock

Kaye's Kitchen

By Kaye Wilson



SPEEDY MUSHROOM CHICKEN FILLETS

- 4-6 chicken breast fillets
- Seasoned flour
- 1 tblspn oil
- 1 tblspn butter
- 2 x 200g tins sliced mushrooms
- 1 tblspn brandy
- 1/3 cup cream
- Salt & pepper to taste

Coat chicken fillets with seasoned flour. Heat oil and butter in frying pan and cook fillets until golden brown and tender. Remove chicken from pan and keep warm. Drain oil from pan, add sliced mushrooms, brandy and cream to pan and bring to boil. Season with salt and pepper, simmer gently 3mins, spoon sauce over chicken and serve immediately. Serves 4 - 6.

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CRAG President John Donvito recently met with Nightcap Township Developer, Mr van Lieshout to discuss the community opposition to his township proposal. Over 600 handwritten letters opposing Nightcap Township were submitted to Council.

Mr van Lieshout confirmed that *maximum flexibility* was necessary in the design of Nightcap Township to sell the properties. This is why there is nothing contained within the DA that confirms that the town will be eco-friendly in any way. The word 'eco' appears only in the words 'eco-tourism': nowhere does it mention the development as being an 'eco-village' or anything similar. Mr Van Lieshout confirmed that the design of the town was completed by the same planner for the coastal development Casuarina.

Mr van Lieshout appeared unaware of the increase in traffic movements up to 4,500 per day as specified within the DA, along Kyogle Rd, and his knowledge about the proposed three storey unit developments and aspects of the cost of specific infrastructure within the town, and as contained within the DA, appeared to be sketchy.

Council has informed CRAG and Mr Van Lieshout that the DA has to be readvertised. CRAG is continuing the campaign to stop Nightcap Township. For more information visit the CRAG website at www.crag.asn.au.

By Caldera Residents Action Group Inc. (CRAG)
6679 7273

The Macfile

Hello, readers of life's intrigues. I was down in Sydney recently performing a wedding and found more fodder for this column. On the train near Parramatta I saw a big swathe of Macmansion housing development, with the biggest house possible on the smallest block. I was struck by the thought that we will soon have ride-on vacuum cleaners rather than ride-on mowers.

Also I was riding near Brisbane's West End recently, taking in some light industrial signage as I went. Oh, the chances for signage alteration! A yakka slogan 'Can't tear them' just pleaded to have the 'tear' become 'wear'. In the same street a Rug Sale sign begged to become the rather more illicit 'Drug Sale'.

I have just purchased a gem of a book by Douglas Adams, who wrote 'The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy', and his colleague John Lloyd. It is called 'The Deeper Meaning of Liff'. It's a dictionary of things there are no words for. Here is a taste.

According to the authors, a sconser is 'a person who looks around them when talking to you to see if there

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is anyone more interesting about.'

Also, a 'fladderbister' is 'that part of a raincoat that trails out of a car after you've closed the door on it'. I love it.

I must share a wheel cover I saw recently on a 4 wheel drive

'Adventure before Dementia'

Cheers 'til next time.

The Society held its AGM on the 12th of May. President: Dot Lange, Vice President: Betty Brims, Secretary: Mary Roberts, Treasurer: Marion Roberts, Deputy Treasurer: Esma Thompson, Archivist: Mary Lee Connery, Publicity: Helena Duckworth, Patroness: Joy Armour.

The culmination of all the research done for the Migration Heritage Project has resulted in a book that will be launched at the Stoker's Siding Hall on Saturday, 23rd June, at 10.00 a.m. You may remember this study involved inter-

viewing people who migrated to this area from 1945-1975.

As you will have noticed the butcher shop has been sold and is no longer, although packaged meat is available at the shop. This is the first time Uki has been without such a household convenience for over ninety years. Old photos of the village show that the recent shop was in a different position and that there was another butcher opposite the hotel.

I have heard that a chemist and a dentist will be setting up business in the old building. Where once we

heard the scream of the electric saw cutting through animal bones we will now have the shrill of the dentist's drill exploring our cavities. Only joking! Welcome to the newcomers and may their business flourish. We did have the services of a dentist in the past. Ask any of Uki's born and bred and they have many a vivid story of their visit to Mr. Chudleigh Hawkes - Dentist.

Remember our meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at 10.00 am. The office is open on Fridays. Telephone 6679 5890.

The ANZAC Dawn Service was well attended with 80-plus members and residents attending the breakfast in the hall. We believe that a further 30 - 40 people were present at the Cenotaph Service.

Wreaths were laid by the Sub-Branch members and ladies, the member for Richmond Justine Elliott, Uki school children and residents. The Service was conducted by the President and Secretary of the Sub-Branch and the Rev'd Dr John Tyman. Local lad Richmond Newell played the Last Post and Reveille. The Guard was provided by No. 225 Army Cadet Unit.

President John Smith advised the gathering that two local lads were involved in the war in Iraq. Shaun Harding has returned to Australia and is undertaking further training with the Army in Sydney. Daniel



RSL Report

By Ray Blisset

Hon. Secretary Uki RSL Sub-Branch

Prentice arrived in Iraq the day before ANZAC Day.

Since our last report we have lost our long-time member Mr Jack Smith. Jack was farewelled at a grave-side service at the Duranbah lawn cemetery on 22nd of March, after passing away at John Flynn Hospital on 17th of March 2007. Jack will be sorely missed by Sub-Branch members and residents. He served as Vice President from 1973 to 1983, and in 2000 received

the RSL 50 Year Certificate. An RSL service was conducted by Mr D Sims (President of Murwillumbah RSL), Mr P Ridgeway (Vice President of Uki Sub-Branch) and Mr K Chetham (Secretary of Murwillumbah RSL). The Rev'd Dr John Tyman conducted the funeral service.

On 5th of July at 10.30am the Department of Veterans' Affairs staff will hold a meeting in the Uki hall to discuss the following:

- Falls prevention
- Mediwise, and
- planning for discharge from hospital

This meeting is free and is open to all Uki and district residents as well as Sub-Branch members and families.

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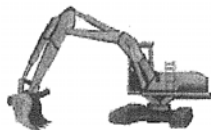


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Astrological insights

by Paola Emma

On June 26 is the last Saturn-Neptune opposition, a transit that many will remember for the wealth of spiritual insight that it has provided, but that most will be glad to put behind them, due to the difficult alchemy involved. Our dreams have been put through the test of reality; some had to be discarded. Others might have materialized, but perhaps in a different form than we expected, or we may not be able to savour them as much as we imagined we could. With Neptune expect some powerful undercurrents, swift changes of direction, depth and mystery. This manifests as a confused longing and urgency to let go of something, to release the knots of everyday living. What Saturn has been trying to solidify, Neptune has slowly eroded away.

Venus will enter Virgo on July 14, only to exit it again to make her magical loop in the sky (a real perception, mind you!) that astrologers call Retrogradation (July 28 to

September 8). Leo birthday people will receive a double dose of Venus' gifts and curses, affecting their finances, relationships, creativity. Mercury is also making its periodical loop in Cancer (June 16-July 10). Cancerians will have to rethink a situation, re-process what they thought they had already learned. The Sun is moving between an opposition to Jupiter and a trine to the same. The period starts the hard way, when opportunities seem lacking, but goes on to become a confident, expansive time, when we can dare more and feel more special.

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Heating hints

Now that we're finally getting some chilly weather, many of us will be firing up the heater in the evenings. While you need to check your woodstove's operating instructions for specifics, in general there are a few things to bear in mind. Chimneys need to be kept clean and clear of mud-wasp nests etc. If you have any doubts, call in a chimney-sweep. When first lighting the heater, have all the vents fully open to avoid unnecessary smoke. Don't close them until the fire is well-established. Use only thoroughly dry wood in your heater, and never use scraps of man-made boards like MDF—they release toxic fumes when burned. Lastly, clean out ash if it builds up—a thick layer reduces efficiency.

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Logrunners have permanent territories in temperate and sub-tropical rainforest, living in pairs or family parties. The birds seldom fly, spending most of their time on the forest floor, where their plumage



blends in with the gloomy brown surroundings. Usually the first sign of their presence is a burst of excited 'weet, weet, weet' calls which they give when disturbed.

IDENTIFICATION – Length 170-200mm. Male: crown rufous brown; grey line through eye; rest of upper body mottled brown and

black. Wings black with three broad pale bars; throat edged with black mark on each side; belly rufous; flanks brown; eye dark brown; legs and beak black. Female: similar to male, but throat chestnut. Immature: dark brown with scalloped pattern on breast and buff wing bars.

VOICE – a far-carrying 'weet,weet,weet'. **BREEDS** – late April to October. **NEST** – dome-shaped approx 220mm in diameter with side entrance, placed on or near ground often in the shelter of ferns or overhanging foliage. It is built of twigs and lined with fibrous plant material and hooded with green moss at the entrance where a platform of twigs forms the approach. **EGGS** – two pure white 28 x 20 mm. **DISTRIBUTION** – Bunya Mountains in Qld to Illawarra district of NSW.

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I remember

by Mary Roberts

I remember the old butcher shop – how sad that this business has now shut its door.

The butcher shop of my memory was owned by Mr I I Imeson – 'Ikey' as he was called, but only by mature adult males. I never heard a woman address him as anything but 'Mr Imeson'. Mrs Imeson worked alongside him in the shop, as did Mr Pat O'Keefe for many years.

Before the days of refrigeration, the cream carriers would bring in the orders from the farmers, and the meat would be cut up and wrapped, with a final layer of newspaper. (The local kids would take a bundle of newspapers up, and get sixpence for their trouble.) The farmer's name was written on each parcel in indelible pencil, so that the carriers knew which cream can



to deposit it into.

The butcher would cut up the meat on a block, cut from a rather big tree, judging from its size. Each afternoon, the block would be scrubbed down with a wire brush, the floor was swept and a fresh layer of sawdust applied.

Because of the lack of refrigeration and short life of ice, the butcher shop was visited most days by the

local ladies. This was strictly a no-frills shop, with nothing on display and no 'specials'. The meat sold was all from local animals, slaughtered by Mr O'Keefe at the slaughter yards on Smith's Creek Rd – I think the little building is still there today.

Besides Mr O'Keefe, the only other employee was Ella Mitchell, who typed up the accounts and did it for so long that she could recite the standing orders of the farms.

After Mr Imeson retired Tod Faulks took over the business, and since then there have been several owners. I can't see the clock turning back to that kind of enterprise again, as supermarkets make it too easy to make a selection, but I must say they lack the intimacy of the village butcher shop.

Cheap after-school care in Uki

Uki Out of School Hours (OOSH) Centre offers quality after-school care at more than affordable prices. The centre is on the grounds of Uki Public School but is open to ALL children attending primary school.

The centre runs from 2.50pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday, during government school terms. Our staff are qualified – with First Aid, childcare and primary school teaching qualifications. Two staff members are always on duty.

Children at the centre start their afternoon with a nutritious afternoon tea, followed by supervised games – indoor and outdoor – and activities. There are quiet spaces for reading and homework.

The centre also runs special sports sessions, funded through the Active After School Communities program, and run by qualified coaches. Previous activities have included circus, basketball, tennis and martial arts, with no extra cost to parents!

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Uki CTC news

The CTC has been busy with some new initiatives. We have started a Digital Camera Club for all those interested in learning to get the best from their existing camera, or who would like advice prior to a new purchase. The Club meets on the last Friday monthly, from 1.30 – 3.30pm. The subject for June will be Fog, so get out there and take your interpretation on this subject and bring it along on Friday 29 June. Cost is a once off \$10 registration fee and then \$4.00 per session, which includes an extra 30 mins after the club finishes to practice your newly learnt skills.

We also recently finalized our photo competition related to the Uki Heritage Riverwalk project. The winner was Mark Holbutt, who received a 1Gb USB drive for storing photos. Participation was excellent and there were some very beautiful photographs. Drop in to



the CTC to see them all. The photo shows Lyn Milsom, CTC Treasurer with Cameron Pitcher and his three Highly Commended entries reproduced as calendars.

It is planned to produce a 2008 CTC calendar using the 12 Highly Commended images. You can see the images and place an order for the A4 calendar at the CTC from 01 June (pricing is still to be finalized).

We are also seeking advertising in the form of page sponsorship for this calendar. Advertisers will have their logo at the top of the page and details of their business on the calendar

table page. Excellent exposure for your business in the local community. Contact us to discuss this offer.

The CTC also participated in the Tweed Shire Seniors' Expo on 17 May. We had good interest in the CTC and the services offered and hope this exposure has increased awareness of our CTC in the wider community.

We have also recently introduced a Virtual Office Service for local businesses, and already have our first customer. This service offers

phone monitoring, pick up and sorting of mail, receipt of messages and all the normal office services for a weekly fee. You can also have computer time and printing etc for our usual fees. This gives your business a professional gateway to the world! Ring or call in for a brochure.

Can all clients please note we are having a clean-up of all computers and this will mean the hard disks will be cleared of all data. If you have data on a file under a CTC customers directory which you have not backed up to a disk or USB drive, please do so as soon as possible.

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Prints and multiples drawn from the collections of the Museum of Contemporary Art and the University of Wollongong explore the development of an art form from the 1960s to the current day.

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Key paintings created in the 1990's by Kimberley artists, including Rover Thomas, Queenie



McKenzie, Freddy Timms and Emily Kame Kngwarreye.

FROM 21 JUNE – 12 AUGUST

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Showcasing a selection of work by leading Australian artists, presenting a version of Australian art history from modernism to the present day, includes work by Ian Fairweather, Tim Storrier, Fred Williams, Clifford Possum and Albert Tucker

Operation Art

An annual touring exhibition of work by school students across NSW, created for the appreciation of sick children and their families.

Jarjum Wajehla (children speaking)

A colourful collaborative exhibition by 19 local Aboriginal primary and secondary students, scheduled to coincide with the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC Week.



ABOVE

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oil on board

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LEFT Jarjum Wajehla Local primary students proudly displaying some of the work created during a workshop with Aboriginal tutors Dennis Monks, Aunty Joyce Summers, Frances Belle Parker and Garth Lena.

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Well, now U CAN. Uki Climate Action Now was created out of the National Climate Change Despair & Empowerment Roadshow with Ruth Rosenhek & John Seed, (www.climate.net.au) which visited UKI Hall on the 9th of February '07. Their mission is to get local groups to take action all over the country.

UCAN aims to reduce greenhouse emissions through personal and community action, and to encourage everyone to educate themselves on this supremely important issue.

UCAN has had 2 successful events so far:

At our first event in April, we showed Al Gore's 'An Inconvenient Truth'. This excellent movie explains global warming simply, and is free to borrow from the CTC in

Uki (deposit \$10). Phone 6679 5399.

At our second event in May, Paul Taylor put on a great, informative slideshow 'How to reduce your greenhouse footprint, save money and maintain quality of life.'

NEXT EVENT! Tuesday 19th of June at the Uki Hall from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

Topic 'How to actively reduce your greenhouse footprint.' In a few easy steps we'll show you how you can reduce your own emissions and save \$\$\$! We'll calculate your 'carbon footprint' on a computer, then give you a short programme tailored to your household. To take part, bring a recent power bill. Children welcome.

Come Along - The Planet Needs You!

U CAN will hold a public event every third Tuesday of every month. Maria & Paul

First Aid course

Do you need a current First Aid certificate for work? Or maybe you just want to know what to do in an emergency. The Red Cross is running a series of two-day, accredited Senior First Aid courses. Dates: 26-27 June

14-15 July

8-9 September

13-14 November

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Terrific Trivia Night

Saturday 19th of June and the old Hall was jumping—a fabulous fundraiser for the Mt Warning Community Preschool and the Hall had us all racking our brains! Full details on the insert sheet.

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