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COLO VALE *News*

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Colo Vale Market Theme

Mother's Day

Saturday

4th May

8:30am - 1:30pm

From My Desk Ian Scandrett



Folks,
In the State election Premier Berejiklian, through the local candidate Nathaniel Smith, committed to fund Stage 1 of the Rail-Side Trail Loop Line Project within 12 months of being elected. The NSW Rail Museum at Thirlmere, who have the Crown lease on the loop line all the way to Mittagong, will deliver and manage the \$5.5m project to get the rail line usable from Buxton to Colo Vale for the Museum's Heritage Trains to use. Council has no role to play, which is appropriate as it had no interest in the proposal.

The branch line from Picton into Thirlmere will be electrified so as to allow groups to travel on the metro train network direct to Thirlmere, which will be great for primary schools and other groups who want to see our fantastic rail history.

As you know, this has been a six year project of advocacy for me and I am delighted at this outcome.

Nathaniel's announcement was very popular and will drive small business and community opportunities along the loop line. In Colo Vale this could mean tea rooms in the old station and of course there will eventually be bike hire, nature walks, B&Bs and coffee shops along the way. And going thru the famous Hill Top railway cutting will certainly be a highlight for visitors.

I am working on Stage 2 already, which is from Colo Vale to Mittagong. It will take time but we are under way!

Always happy to be contacted and look forward to your emails.

Councillor Ian Scandrett

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OLD TIME APRIL MARKET

Fred with his classic cars was thankful that the weather was fine, the vehicles were immaculately shining and Lance's ute, a golden oldie, generated a lot of interest.



The day became busier as the sun shone brighter. The BBQ was constantly busy and the home cooked pies were delicious, thanks to Sue Edney and Sheryle Bartos, as were the other homemade pastries.

Tony strummed his guitar entertaining the crowd with some popular songs. He brought along Parra his Macaw, always a delight with both children and adults.



Samantha from "Feed the Farms" sold cakes and treats of her own baking and those donated by Gumnut Patisserie, proceeds enabling her to travel north of Coonabarabran with a load of hay, stock licks & dog biscuits for the farms in need.

New stallholders — Nat's Gift Baskets and Yvonne's Handmade Pottery offered goodies in time for Easter and Mothers Day.

Meats trays of a roast and a BBQ pack were chocolate wheel raffles, and the \$300 Pamper Pack for Mum raffle tickets were popular with tickets also available next market, being drawn at 12 noon on **4th May Mothers Day Theme**. See you there.

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When just 14 years of age Bodhi took up an interest in photography with an online course. He started taking photos of animals in the Highlands and ocean scenes, and found himself engrossed in a fantastic world of nature. So talented had he become that in 2016 as a Bowral High School student he won 1st prize for his "Colo Vale Waterfall" photo in a Photography Competition "Go Wild" run by the Wingecarribee Council, as part of World Environment Week.

He has since gone on to the Wollongong University to undertake a 3 year Bachelor of Arts Degree majoring in Photography and Digital & Social Media. For those of you who understand the finer points, he uses a Canon 5D Mark 3 camera with various lenses and likes to take his photos in "raw" mode.

His love of the ocean has taken him away on many adventurous photo sessions, capturing waves colliding, crests, pipelines, duck-diving surfers and algae at the beach by night (bioluminescent). His photos are usually taken whilst in the water dressed only in his wetsuit and flippers, no life vest, supporting himself and his camera for hours waiting for that perfect moment.

Other times he is taking photos of Highland Cows at a well known property in Church Avenue. The Colo Vale Community Hall has one of Bodhi's prints of a striking "Highland Cow" hanging on the wall, quite a "bullish" pose.

He has picked up some vital tips from Warren Keelan, an multi-international award

winning seascape and ocean photographer from Wollongong, who has mentored Bodhi on various outings together.

Bodhi has come a long way since school and at just 19 his cow photo is now the front cover in the April/May 2019 edition of The Southern Highlands Magazine .

He hopes to obtain employment within his chosen field and is undertaking work experience with wedding photographers to further his knowledge in the art.



He is pleased that his sister Lara, in high school, is taking an interest in photography and has been asking questions.


His 2019 calendars had an "Ocean" theme, and for 2020 he is selling "Cow" Calendars, with prints also available.

He would like to tutor anyone who is interested in photography.

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 bodhi's photography

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March 28th saw the Colo Vale Community Craft & Chatter Ladies and the Men's Shed welcome once again visitors from The Abbey Aged Care in Mittagong.

Carers Karina and Katinka were joined by Cheryl, the organiser from The Abbey.

A familiar face was Scottish Jean who spoke of her love for her grandchildren.

Marissa knits for the premi-babies and is turning 94 this month. Well done Marissa.

Bruce and Walter were familiar faces and together with Louis, Allan, Dennis, Miguel and Gordon, made up the gent visitors.

Gordon is new to The Abbey and was a rural dweller for many years, spending time in Kangaroo Valley and Fitzroy Falls. He recalled early days hand milking 100 cows.

Dennis is a fun loving character, full of chatter and very proud of his children, University Graduates. He promised to return with a rendition of "Amazing Grace".

Another new comer was Spanish Miguel, who worked for Transfield for many years, a company which focused on major engineering projects. It is credited with constructing the Sydney Harbour Tunnel.

There was an abundance of sandwiches and cakes for morning tea, after which the gents made their way to the Men's Shed to see the machinery and the crafted items.

There were smiling faces as they boarded their coach and waved farewell.

GARDEN TIPS with George

Every few years there is another food fad. Twenty years ago it was garden fresh herbs, that died out, then it was Kale, Cous Cous and ancient grains. Now the TV chefs take a spoon or back of a knife to half a Pomegranate to knock out the red gelatinous flesh covering around the seeds over salads or desserts and it looks attractive and dramatic. Whereby cutting off the top and making a few cuts to the base, fold the skin like the petals of a flower then it is easy to scoop out the flesh which is red and sweet, the white or yellow pith is bitter.

Propagate Pomegranates by seed or take rooted suckers from an established plant that has quality fruit, as seed does not produce plants true to the parent. Use 6-8 seedlings and cull weak or spindly plants as they grow. Fruit would be available from a fruit shop or supermarket in autumn, picking the best colour and fruit of good size to extract the seed. Plant seeds 10mm deep in a pot of seed raising mix, cover with a piece of glass or clear plastic until germination, put into small pots when 100mm tall, replant into 6" to 8" pots and grow until 600mm tall.

These plants have beautiful red flowers and glossy leaves and bare an orange to deep red fruit the size of a navel orange. They grow to 6m-8m tall and if kept to a single stem will produce over 100kg of fruit per year when mature. Remember to remove the suckers when they appear and to use a nitrogen rich complete fertilizer once or twice a year for abundant healthy fruit.

Happy gardening everyone, 'til next time. George.



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March was a hectic time at the Colo Vale Memorial Hall.

It began with Market Day on March 2nd, the Computer Class on the 6th, the Monster Garage Sale on the 16th, the State Elections the 23rd, the Abbey visitors the 28th, and on the 29th a commercial was filmed.

The Colo Vale Community Association operated the BBQ on a few of these dates, and on Election Day it was so busy that all the food was sold by 1:00pm.

Samantha Huer had her "Feed the Farms" Cake Stall there for the Elections too and was pleased with the cake sales.

On Friday, March 29th, Lottoland hired the hall to make a commercial about a woman who had won the lottery and invited her family to the hall to advise them of her decision to give them \$1million each. Did you see the commercial on TV?

Aaron Schreck, the gent in charge of making the commercial, who lives in Bowral with his family, remembered the hall from his childhood and commented it looked a lot better now than he recalled. He admitted that he should have filmed the whole commercial there including the inside shots instead of hiring a studio in Sydney.

Among the people asked to join in the commercial, to their surprise, were locals John Stead (VP of the CVCA) and Steve Clark (Men's Shed Co-Ordinator) who added to the family group.



UNDERSTANDING YOUR COMPUTER

The Southern Highlands Computer Users Group and members of the Colo Vale Community Association will be continuing with the computer knowledge sessions on **Wednesday mornings, May 1st and May 15th from 10am - 12 noon** at the Colo Vale Community Hall. Morning tea will be provided and the cost is \$3.

Bring along your computer (PC or Mac), tablet or phone and learn more about its workings.

Information: John Stead 0414 946 694.

WATCH OUT IDIOTS ABOUT



DANGEROUS DRIVING INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN COLO VALE INVOLVING HOONS IN 4WD'S DEMOLISHING ROAD SIGNS, THE WHITE FLEXI POSTS, DEFACING AND DESTROYING PRIVATE PROPERTY.

IF YOU SEE THIS BEHAVIOUR, TAKE A PHOTO OR THE REGO AND INFORM THE LOCAL POLICE.



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HOW TO NATURALLY CLEAN A "SMELLY" DISHWASHER

Have you noticed your dishwasher is a little smelly lately? Food scraps, gunk and detergent scum combine in your dishwasher to create a breeding ground for germs, bacteria and horrible odours.

We're all guilty of it. You finish dinner, give the plates a light rinse then into the dishwasher, letting it do the dirty work.

This all natural dishwasher cleaning method with vinegar will banish those odours in a jiff and make your dishwasher look and smell like new.

Get the bottom rack out and make sure that any bigger food items or gunk aren't stuck in the drain.

Fill a container with a cup of white vinegar and place it on the top rack of your empty dishwasher.

Run a hot cycle. Stop it mid-cycle for 15 minutes or so to let the vinegar mix soak and do its job of breaking down residue and detergent build-up.

Dishwasher still smelly after the cycle? Sprinkle some Bi-Carb Soda on the base and run another cycle.

Give the inside and outside of the dishwasher a wipe down with a microfiber cloth and an equal parts of vinegar and water mixed in a spray bottle.

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CAMERON'S GARDEN
Written & Illustrated by Kathleen Willard

This moving story is how Kathleen helped to gently prepare her 9 year old grandson Cameron for his death. It is a simple, beautiful and loving story.

With a Friendship Garden (official opening Friday, May 3rd) being created at the Colo Vale Primary School in memory of departed young loved ones, Kathleen is reprinting her book in hard cover.

If you are interested in obtaining a copy it is available to pre-order for **\$24.95**. Profit from the sale of this book will be given to a student at the Colo Vale School coping with hardship.

For more information please contact info@bookincubator.com.au or speak directly to Kathleen on 4889 4390.



COLO VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

The families & community members of Colo Vale Public School gathered to celebrate the Annual Easter Hat Parade, and were joined by Theaslea Pre-school who came to be part of the celebrations. Thank you to all the families for their efforts in making fabulous Easter Hat creations and for their support in making this event a fun and enjoyable part of the End of Term activities.



COLO VALE NOTICE BOARD

Craft & Chatter

Every Thursday 9am to 12noon.
\$3 donation. Morning Tea provided.
Ladies bring your craft or just come for a chat. Ring Kath on 4889 4390.

Village Men's Shed

Tuesday & Thursday 9am to 12noon.
Members pay \$3 each visit which covers morning tea and the chance to socialize with other men from the area, have a chat, and enjoy doing woodwork, or just relax. Ring Steve 0414 242 667.

Indoor Bowls

Every Wednesday evening 7pm.
\$3 donation. Supper provided. Just turn up at the hall or ring Kay 0413 364 918.

Hall Bookings

To book the Colo Vale Community Hall for birthdays, weddings, etc. contact mobile 0490 320 179.
Comprehensive details available, very reasonable rates. For more details see website www.colovalecommunity.org.au

Liaison Officer

For sympathy cards, flowers or a visit, contact Kay Mackenzie, the Community Association Liaison Officer on her mobile 0413 364 918.

Market Stall Info

Stalls available for \$15 outside and \$25 inside the hall. Car boot stalls available for \$15.

Confirm bookings by 12noon Thursday before market. No notification, your stall will be re-allocated.

Contact Kathleen for stall bookings 0400 728 395.

Meetings

Next Community Association Public Meeting will be on Tuesday, 28th May, 2019 at 6.00pm, fourth Tuesday of the month. All welcome.

We need your support, ideas and a helping hand, even if only for a couple of hours on market day.

For information contact President Elyse White 0414 633 077.

CUBBY CLUB Playgroup Invitation

For 0-5 year olds and their carers

Fridays 10am-12pm during school terms
at Colo Vale Church

**Craft activity, Singing, Storytime, lots of
Outdoor and Indoor Toys plus an
opportunity to make new friends with other
parents and enjoy morning tea together**

Bring a piece of fruit which will be cut up
and shared for morning tea

\$3 week (\$4 for more than one child)

First week is free!

We meet in the building behind the church,
through the gate down the right hand side

For more information call

Rochelle on 0439 455 005

COLO VALE TENNIS CLUB

JURD PARK – WATTLE ST, COLO VALE

A great day was had by all at the Free Community Tennis Day. Thank you for your support. If you couldn't come, you really missed the fun and we hope to see you next time.

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