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A "Mini Millstone"

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"THE MILLSTONE" REFERS TO THE LITTLE WHEENEY CREEK MILLSTONES ON DISPLAY AT KURRAJONG MEMORIAL PARK, BELIEVED TO BE THE OLDEST ITEMS OF EUROPEAN SETTLEMENT IN "THE KURRAJONG".

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ADJOURNED AGM

THIS "MINI MILLSTONE", A SPECIAL EDITION OF THE SOCIETY'S NEWSLETTER, IS BEING ISSUED TO PROVIDE ALL MEMBERS WITH NOTICE THAT OUR TUESDAY AUGUST 20 AGM WAS ADJOURNED UNTIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND ADOPTING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2002.

THE BUSINESS OF THE ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2002-2003 AND THE ADOPTING OF THE SECRETARY'S REPORT WAS COMPLETED PRIOR TO ADJOURNMENT.

ELECTED TO OFFICER WERE: PRESIDENT, KATHIE MCMAHON; VICE-PRESIDENT, JENNIFER STACKHOUSE; SECRETARY, LOUISE MCMAHON; TREASURER, MARGUERITE WYBORN. COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE: PROJECTS CO-ORDINATOR, LES DOLLIN; TIME CAPSULE CONVENOR, JOY SHEPHERD, AND ACQUISITIONS OFFICER, VAL BIRCH.

IT WAS RESOLVED TO HOLD THE ADJOURNED AGM AT THE SOCIETY'S PREMISES AT THE BELL BIRD ECHO CENTRE, 984 BELLS LINE OF ROAD, KURRAJONG HILLS, ON TUESDEY, SEPTEMBER 17 STARTING AT 7.30PM.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ADJOURNED AGM A SPECIAL MEETING WILL BE HELD FOR THE PURPOSED OF DECIDING THE NAME FOR OUR PREMISES AT THE BELLBIRD ECHO CENTRE.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF JUNE 18 MOVED THAT THE PREMISES BE CALLED **THE KURRAJONG-COMLEROY HISTORICAL GALLERY**, WHILE THE SPECIAL "GALLERY GATHERING" MEETING OF JULY 16 MOVED THAT THE PREMISES BE KNOWN A S THE **KURRAJONG-COMLEROY TIME CAPSULE**THE PURPOSE OF THIS SPECIAL MEETING IS TO DETERMINE THE NAMING OF THE PREMISES TO BE FORMALLY ADOPTED BY THE SOCIETY.

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SEPTEMBER 15: CARNIVALE

THE SOCIETY WILL BE HOSTING A STALL AT THIS POPULAR COMMUNITY EVENT AT RICHMOND PARK ON SUNDAY, SEPT 15, STARTING AT 11AM. ORGANISATIONS JOINING US INCLUDE KURRAJONG COMMUNITY FORUM, THE ROTARY CLUB OF KURRAJONG-NORTH RICHMOND AND THE COMLEROY ROAD SCHOOL OF ARTS. AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWCASE OUR SOCIETY, AND ACQUIRE INFORMATION ABOUT KURRAJONG HISTORY.

ROGER HOLLIDAY: 4567 7237

OCTOBER 18: THE OPENING OF OUR PREMISES AT THE BELLBIRD ECHO CENTRE. GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDE SOCIETY MEMBER, BEV WOODMAN. MUSIC BY GARRY AND SUE RAGEN. SUPPER. TICKETS \$20. KATHIE MCMAHON 4567 7105.

OCTOBER 20: EXHIBITION
AT THE MILLSTONES, MEMORIAL
PARK, AS PART O FTHE KURRAJONG
SCARECROW FESTIVAL.
LES DOLLIN: 4576 1495

OCTOBER 27:LOUISA ATKINSON WALK AND TALK AT MT TOMAH BOTANIC GARDENS. JENNIFER STACKHOUSE: 4576 1221

ORAL HISTORY KIT

ONE OF THE EXCITING OUTCOMES OF THE "GREAT BUSHFIRE OF CHRISTMAS DAY 2001 WORKSHOP", LEAD BY LES DOLLIN AT THE SOCIETY'S PREMISES ON JULY 20, WAS THE ORAL HISTORY KIT LES DEVELOPED. THE PURPOSE WAS TO ASSIST MEMBERS IN INTERVIEWING PEOPLE TO CAPTURE THEIR BUSHFIRE STORY, BUT IT WAS IMMEDIATELY SEEN THAT LES'S KIT COULD BE EASILY MODIFIED FOR USE ACROSS A RANGE OF RESEARCH AND ORAL HISTORY PROJECTS. A TWEEK AND AN ADJUSTMENT HERE AND THERE AND WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT RESEARCH TOOL. CONGRATULATIONS, LES.

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FROM DAY ONE A CORE NUMBER OF MEMBERS HAVE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF UNDERSTANDING AND ABIDING BY AUSTRALIA'S COPYRIGHT LAWS. NOW THAT THE SOCIETY HAS ACQUIRED A CRITICAL MASS OF MATERIAL, THE NEED TO FOLLOW CORRECT PROCEDURES HAS BECOME MORE PRESSING AND MORE ACCEPTED BY OTHER MEMBERS. THE COPYRIGHT COMMITTEE IS WORKING ON ADOPTING THE FORMS PREPARED BY LES DOLLIN AND JEAN MCMAHON SO THAT THE SOCIETY WILL HAVE FORMS FOR ALL MEMBERS TO USE TO PROTECT BOTH THE SOCIETY'S COPYRIGHT AND THAT OF INDIVIDUALS PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE SOCIETY.

BEHIND THE SCENES

IN ANTICIPATION OF OUR FIRST EXHIBITION, OPENING ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, CONVENOR JOY SHEPHERD HAS BEEN BUSY INTERVIEWING "OLD TIMERS" OF KURRAJONG ABOUT THEIR ACRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

MUSHROOMS, TURKEYS, CYLACMENS AND
"KURRAJONG WOOL" ALL FEATURE, ALONG WITH THE
MORE COMMON ACTIVITIES OF PEAS, CITRUS AND
CATTLE. OUR "SPRING INTO ACTION" EXHIBIT IS
SURE TO ATTRACT A LOT OF INTEREST AND PROVOKE
A LOT OF MEMORIES FOR LONG-TIME RESIDENTS OF
"THE KURRAJONG".

WELL DONE JOY!

FAULCONER MACKENZIE IN HOSPITAL

FRIEND TO THE SOCIETY, FAULCONER MACKENZIE WAS USING THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT THE FRONT OF RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL IN LENNOX STREET, RICHMOND WHEN HE WAS HIT BY A CAR DRIVEN BY A 20-YEAR-OLD. WHILE THE GAZETTE REPORTED THE "MAN WAS NOT INJURED", IN FACT THE ACCIDENT (WHY ARE SUCH INCIDENTS CALLED ACCIDENTS?) LEFT HIM QUITE SHAKEN AND HE WAS ADMITTED TO HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL AND HAD TO STAY FOR MORE THAN A WEEK. GET WELL AND STAY WELL FAULCONER.!

TAKE A PICTURE FOR POSTERITY

THE WORD IS OUT THAT THE GENERAL STORE IN KURRAJONG IS SOON TO UNDERGO SOME ALTERATIONS AND REFURBISHMENT. WHY NOT GET A PIC NOW TO RECORD KURRAJONG IN 2002?

DID YOU FREEZE AT COMLEROY HALL?

AS PEOPLE WITH AN INTEREST IN HISTORY, WE MAY LOVE OUR MEETING PLACE, COMLEROY SCHOOL OF ARTS HALL, BUT IT'S A COLD OLD PLACE TO MEETING IN THE MIDDLE OF WINTER. IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE! WHY NOT WRITE TO THE MAYOR, REX STUBBS AND ASK THAT HAWKESBURY CITY COUNCIL ALLOCATE FUNDS TO RESTORE AND REFURBISH THIS HISTORIC AND MUCH-LOVED COMMUNITY VENUE, COMLEROY HAS EMERGED AS THE LOCALITY WHICH EXPERIENCED THE GREATEST NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE PERIOD 1997-2001. DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION MONEY EXISTS FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES IN OUR AREA. COUNCIL HAS PREVIOUSLY COMMITTED TO INCREASING COMMUNITY FACILITIES IN KURRAJONG. DON'T SIT THERE AND FREEZE -WARM YOUR FINGERS BY WRITING TO COUNCIL!

Reminder! Tuesday, September 17 at 7.3pm, Adjourned Annual General Meeting, followed by a special meeting to determine the future naming of our premises. For those unable to attend, please return the enclosed voting slip indicating your choice of name.

Mail to PO Box 174 Kurmond, 2757.

The next regular "Millstone" will appear ahead of our October 22 ordinary meeting at the Comferoy Road School of Arts hall, starting at 7.30pm.
Contributions to "The Millstone" are always welcome. Forward to Louise by Sept 25.