



ROBERTSON NEWSLETTER

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Community Announcements

Lions Club of Robertson Incorporated

We wish to invite all interested residents of Glenquarry, Avoca, Kangaloon, Burrawang and Robertson to join our club with the view of enjoying fellowship while bringing new ideas for future leadership in the community. For more information please contact Ann on 4887 7254

Ronald McDonald House

Volunteers are needed late April and early May to prepare meals to support our work. These meals would be one family serve, which are deep frozen and provided free to country families who stay in our house whilst their children receive treatment. Small containers and a deep portable freezer are available at Waters General Store, from where meals will be transported to Sydney. All support would be appreciated as we are aiming for a months supply of meals. Please call Hope on 4885 1428

Robertson Medical Practice

The practice wishes to advise their clients of their move to new premises in the former OHS building, 30 Hoddle Street Robertson. Our phone number remains 4885 1502. Please also be advised that a \$5 gap fee has been introduced to cover costs. Pensioners and people in need can still be bulk-billed. Dr Middlebrook will be attending the surgery on Thursday mornings, with Dr Locke available at other times.

Women's meeting

The Highlands Community centre and the Uniting Church of Robertson would like to invite you to an informal afternoon for women, held each Tuesday, 1-3pm at the Uniting Church Hall. Guest speakers will address a variety of issues, with child care and afternoon tea provided. Please call Barbara on 4862 1122 if you wish to attend.



Belmore Falls Road Action Group

Sealing the Missing Link

We would like to inform the Robertson community of our push for the sealing of the "missing link" on one of the district's most beautiful roads - Belmore Falls Road, Robertson. It is very important that the 700 metre dirt stretch between the early sealed sections immediately south of Robertson regains priority listing during the Council's annual budget process which begins in March.

Our high rainfall, almost double that of the Shire's other major dirt roads, means surface and structural deterioration, erosion and wash-off of sediment into the Kangaroo Creek, not to mention our perennial and often dangerous potholes. When its not wet, dust clouds from people and paddocks make driving on this scenic route unpleasant for tourists, residents and business people. The level of maintenance is very high.

The Belmore Falls Road Action Group has been seeking the sealing of this road for nearly ten years; we have achieved the grand total of 3.3 km (out of 13 km) bit by bit, starting from Robertson and snailing south. Last year we were unexpectedly demoted from the Priority List, so nothing more happened. We need the support of councilors to ensure the 'missing link' at least is restored to the Priority List for 1999/2000 funding. We thank our community for the support it has made evident during the long haul.

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Robertson Guild

The Robertson Guild continues to grow at a happy and healthy rate and now has over thirty enthusiastic and active members from our village. This band of creative artisans and artists was first formed in July 1997 under the guidance and leadership of its President, Neil Atkins of the Robertson Village Woodworks. From the onset it has steadily continued to grow from strength to strength.

The objective of the Guild was, and still remains, to form a collective of Robertson craft and trade people who meet on a regular basis to pool ideas and to work together and individually for the benefit of themselves, the Guild and for the village of Robertson as a whole.

Thanks to the quality of the work produced by its members; and thanks, also, to the extensive efforts behind the scenes of other members involved in exhibitions organisation and in creating publicity in a range of media, Robertson Guild has already achieved an unusually high level of awareness and respect throughout the Southern Highlands and beyond. The outstanding exhibition held last May and June in the Foyer Gallery of the Wingecarribee Council Offices was a classic example of the spirit of the Robertson Guild and of the superb quality of the works regularly produced by its diligent members.

If you would be interested in learning more about the Guild or, even better, about applying for membership, then please contact either Neil Atkins, 4885 1328 or Arthur Jackson, Secretary to the Guild, 4885 1686. We look forward very much to hearing from you.

Diary March / April 1999

ROBERTSON VILLAGE ASSOCIATION General Meeting – 7:30pm Wednesday 17 March – Caalong Street Community Centre.

OLD TIME DANCE – Fridays 19 March and 16 April – School of Arts

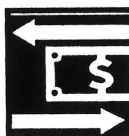
ROBERTSON MARKETS – Sundays 14 March and 11 April – School of Arts

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT – 9:30am Robertson departure and 2pm return from Oxley Mall – Wednesdays 10 & 24 March and 7 & 21 April – Ph. 4862 1122 1-5pm weekdays

COMMUNITY LUNCHEONS – 10am – 3pm Tuesday March 9 & 23 and April 6 & 20 – Caalong Community Centre – 2 courses for \$6 – Ph. 4885 1547

ROBERTSON SPINNERS – 7-10pm Mondays – Caalong Community Centre – Ph 4885 1452

HAMPDEN PARK 355 – March 18 and April 15



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THE RVA: By Mick Wren, President

The Robertson Village association is involved with many issues affecting our community. One of these involves transport in Robertson. Yesterday when I called Kiama coach-lines, I was informed that they did not run a service to Robertson. They indeed thought that they ran a connecting service from Moss Vale to Wollongong only for Countrylink passengers. This is not the case. I rang the office of the local member, Bob Harrison, who rang Countrylink. They informed his office that Robertson was exempt and was to be treated as a Cityrail station. However, Robertson passengers will be removed if Countrylink passengers have booked seats. There are other anomalies. The bus service replaced the rail service, yet there are no bus stops at Mt Murray, Ocean View or St Andrews where there were previous services. Burrawang, although having a bus stop, officially cannot catch the Countrylink service unless a connecting rail ticket is purchased as well. Further, Countrylink seems to be unaware that Kiama coach-lines runs this service, referring us instead to Berima coach-lines, and we have been told that residents have not been charged uniform fares for trips into Burrawang. This seems very unfair and it also appears that their promise to maintain a bus service at a similar level to the rail service has been broken. It is something we will be pursuing as an association. We are still pursuing the footpath issue for Fountaindale Rd. to Robertson and Caalong Streets and we are concerned about some of the reports we are receiving from residents who have tried to deal with council on the sewerage issue. These issues are also being pursued and we will be trying to clarify the councils actions in response to the public meetings held earlier this year. We are involved in clean-up Australia day. In conjunction with REPS, we will be cleaning outside the Robertson Public School in Warranga street. REPS will be do the Robertson rail station, whilst we do the approaching road. All we require is a few hours of community minded citizens and a mower or brush cutter. We will meet at the Robertson telephone exchange., Sunday the 13th of March at 10am. We request for support of the community through the RVA with your active membership and meeting attendance. An application form has been provided with this newsletter.

EDITOR REQUIRED

We are seeking a new editor for the Robertson Newsletter. Work commitments mean that Brent is unable to continue in this role. The position is voluntary and requires no qualifications. However, a sound knowledge of english, community spirit and access to a computer with word processing / desktop publishing software would obviously be an advantage. At present the newsletter takes 4 days to prepare, each second month.



ROBERT AND JOAN WOOD

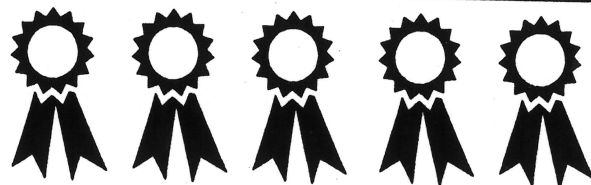
Public Accountants
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40 Hoddle Street Robertson
(next door to Pizzas in the Mist)

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The Robertson Show

The Robertson show is on again on the 5th and 6th of March. Friday is the traditional horse and cattle events, featuring the dairy cattle. The Pavilion exhibits are judged in the morning and the exhibits will be viewed in the afternoon.

A feature of Friday's show will be the heavy horse competition.

On Saturday, the beef cattle will be judged in the morning, as will the pet show. Another popular morning event is the bike racing. Saturday afternoon is choc-a-block with new and old events, such as the potato race and ute competition, and for the first time, a heavy horse pull. The dog show returns again and runs most of Saturday.

This year the Robertson show will see the return of the trotting program, featuring a five race program, culminating in the inaugural Robertson cup!

Finally, there is the ever more popular night show, with events such as the rodeo, hay-stacking, dog jumping and the grand finale of the Demolition Derby.

The show has bar and barbecue facilities as well as a dining room, side-shows and a full range of exhibits.

For a great day out, you could not go past the Robertson Show.

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SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY GAMES

13 - 28 MARCH

SHOC

Southern Highlands Olympics
Committee

The main idea of the Games is to increase our sense of community spirit through active participation

in sporting and cultural events organised by community members at local venues. This will be achieved by providing a program that caters for a high rate of community participation in activities that include:

- opportunities to develop skills in cultural and sporting activities
- exhibitions, displays and demonstrations
- competitions for elite athletes, with and without disabilities.
- performances in drama and dance
- social gatherings

Following the success of the inaugural community games in 1998, the Committee will once again stage this event for the benefit of the community. We encourage the community to:

- Participate in some of the events and have fun together
- Be a spectator at events and get to know more people in the community
- Get to know our young people who do so much for our sporting and cultural activities
- Make a contribution in time or money through your attendance
- Acknowledge those people who give their time and talent to organise thousands of activities each year

There are many activities planned. For further information please contact Alastair Saunders on 4883 6683

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Contribution Guidelines

Community service announcements, articles and diary submissions are free of charge. All items must be submitted by deadline dates and may be modified at the editors discretion. To avoid extensive editing please limit all announcements to 25 words and articles to a maximum 300 words. Thank you.

Advertising

A single insertion is \$25. Insertions may be pre-booked a minimum 3 issues in advance for \$20 per insertion. Each insertion is limited to a maximum 90 X 55mm. Advertisers are responsible for meeting submission deadlines. All advertising is payable in advance. Thank you for your support.

Deadlines

The newsletter is published bimonthly, in the first week of each printing month. All advertising and submissions must be provided by: May issue: 15 April July issue: 15 June

Forward correspondence to:

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Trading Thursday - Monday 10am - 9pm