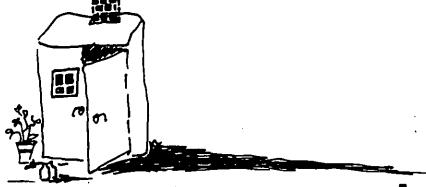
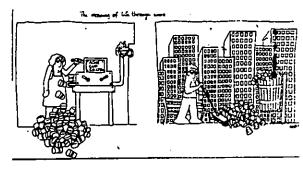


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Bamboo house appeal dismissed

An appeal against Kyogle Shire Council's demolition of a bamboo and plastic house in September last year has been dismissed in the Land and Environment Court in Sydney.

Mr Justice Bignold awarded costs against Ms Tonia Jansen, who didnot appear in court. It was alleged that Ms Jansen was holidaying in India.

Nine people were arrested during the demolition of the house at the Avalon multiple occupancy community in the Stoney Chute area near Nimbin when members of the community clashed with police and council workers.

The Kyogle Shire Council had refused a temporary dwelling permit for Ms Jansen who lived in the bamboo frame house with her two children. The Council claimed the house was a fire risk and that living conditions were unhygienic.

Also at issue was the non-payment of a \$1980 council road levy.

Council employees, 'protected' by 21 police from Lismore, Kycgle and Nimbin, used chainsaws to dismantle the timber, bamboo, plastic and wire dwelling. Witnesses later described the scene as 'hysterical' and 'total mayhem'.

Kyogle Shire President, Sheryl Johnston, said the Council was satisfied with the legal result.

She expressed the hope that Council's cost in the action would

be paid immediately.

Cr Johnston also said the Council hoped the decision would influence people building in the Shire to meet their obligations under the building regulations of the Local Government Act and that the issue of demolition orders would not be necessary in the future.

Why Women Don't Have Wives: Professional Success and Motherhood

Terri Apter Macmillan, London, 1985 (£6.95UK)

Reviewed by Geoffrey Partington

Formal access to the glittering prizes of society has been available to women in most western states for two or more generations, but few women follow in the footsteps of the celebrated 'firsts'. The same can be said of Marxist states where, although women are more numerous than in the west in medicine as well as in mining and road work, male ascendancy is still firmly entrenched. Indeed no Marxist state seems likely to follow the British example by having women as both head of state and Prime Minister.

Western feminists have busied themselves with various policies for reverse discrimination and quota appointments; but at the individual level as distinct from statutory practices in appointments and promotions, feminists have become concerned that women are particularly disadvantaged in their lack of wives. Even childless men seem to benefit from having wives, that is, from having a spouse who places her advancement in employment behind that of her husband. Even lesbians find it difficult to find a wife in this sense and although women's movements have had considerable success in discouraging childless married women from accepting the traditional role of wife they have had less success with mothers. It is particularly with mothers, especially those with outstanding professional and business careers that Terri Apter's carefully reasoned, although perhaps misleadingly titled, book is chiefly concerned.

Apter's concentration on highly successful and ambitious women is unexceptionable, since, a fortiori, if such women cannot secure a wife, other women certainly cannot. Apter notes that ambitious women usually mate with capable husbands who are even less likely than other men to share

parenting with their wives and that such women are usually deeply ambivalent about the possibility, mainly through fears for the husband's prospects. The 'sharing' couples studied by Apter were nearly all writers or artists whose work could largely be carried on in the family home, but even in these she observes that the husbands only envisaged a very short duration for such arrangements.

Apter was aiready a mother of two before writing this book and she is very aware that maternal feelings, though by no means innate or instinctual in all women, are felt strongly by most women who become mothers. She fears, though, that the satisfaction of nurturing their own children often holds women back from seeking what, following Karen Harney and Alexandra Symonds, she terms their own expansive needs. Apter is very sympathetic to would-be 'superwomen' who seek to have their cake and eat it by combining full professional responsibilities outside the home with full maternal responsibility within, but she acknowledges very honestly the high failure rate in such endeavours.

In fact, Apter is sensible and honest throughout her analysis. She exposes the attractive fallacy that extended families characterized western societies until recently and that in a revived form they might well solve this feminist dilemma. She is scrupulous in her handling of the complex question of how children fare when their mothers are absent for typical periods: she rejects both Bowlby and neokibbitzim stances. Apter notes, too, the fears which a natural mother experiences when surrogates, husbands, nannies, or persons employed in institutional child-care, are so successful as to threaten to replace her in her child's affections, as well as her feelings of guilt when the surrogate is not a fully effective substitute. In general, unlike too many facile writers in this field, Apter understands that the conflict of emotions experienced by women who seek to combine career and motherhood are not 'social' or 'institutional' in the strong sense often urged. The most elaborate child-care system in the world would make only a marginal difference to the basic dilemmas which Apter addresses. That is in itself no argument, nor is it intended to be one, against child care, but its advocates would do well to study Apter's fair and competent introduction to what has become a much-discussed issue.

FIRST HOME OWNERS' SCHEME GRANTS

An update - The following information comes from solicitor, Tony Pagotto. Many community members have opted to take out 5 year leases in order to obtain PHOS grants. In December 1989 Tony sent in a batch of leases to the Land Titles Office that were approved but cost an extra \$51 each to obtain. A second batch were lodged in mid-January 1990. These were rejected on the grounds that the plans provided were insufficient. To that date it had been adequate to provide a plan that showed clearly delineated external boundaries with approximate house site positions. Tony Pagotto has contacted the Land Titles Office to discover what they now require and is awaiting their reply. Any substantial changes to the lease issuing process would need Dept. of Housing approval. Once again FHOS grants for M.O.s are in question.

PAN-COM MEETINGS

The April Pan-Com meeting was held at Ferndale community near Uki, in Tweed Shire. Ferndale is 14 years old, has 11 housesites on 170 acres. They have a policy of not building in forests, which had previously been selectively logged but now display 20 years of regrowth. They received M.O. approval 8 years ago subject to a road levy of \$2500 per homesite, piped crossings at each driveway, standard fittings to all tanks, underground pipes, access to dams, etc. At the time Ferndale didn't appeal development conditions as the Woodward Inquiry into M.O.s in the Tweed was happening. Their appeal period has now expired but the community lives on despite non-payment of road levies.

MAY MEETING VENUE

The next Pan-Com meeting will be held at Moondani, Falls Rd., Nimbin, Sunday, May 13th, 12 midday. Falls Rd is the first turning to the right as you drive into Nimbin from Lismore and the meeting will be held at Des & Cathy's house. Follow the signs, everyone welcome, bring your own.

JUNE MEETING

The June meeting will be held at Nmbngee, June 10. More details in the next newsletter.

PAN-COM CO-ORDINATORS

At the May meeting 2 new co-ordinators were appointed - Judy Wallace (Whatt community) and Tim Kennedy (Ferndale). They join Vicki Goodhew (Cornucopia) and Mike Shegog (Barjuma), co-ordinators to June 1990 and Diana Roberts (Pinpuna), media co-ordinator.

CELEBRATION OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES GATHERING

The Gathering, postponed in February due to cyclonic weather, has been rescheduled for Sept. 29 & 30, Oct. 1. Plans are underway to provide an event along the lines of the postponed Gathering but to be held in Nimbin. It is likely one day will be devoted to an inter-community volleyball competition followed by a dance in the Nimbin Hall. So, get those volleyball nets up, put on your gum boots and get practising.

Infectious optimism in Tasmania

The Labor-Green accord is holding, says Amanda Lohrey, and its impact is rippling through the state

OME arranged marriages work out better than others, so what — eight months after the Tasmanian election — is the prognosis on the Labor-

Green accord? Present indications are that the answer has to be: more than promising. On a recent visit to Tasmania I found that each side had many complaints to make about the other but that the partnership seemed to be working and likely to remain stable.

Many of the complaints made by people in the government related to the difficulty they experience working with five individuals who, they claim, don't always agree among themselves. Bob Brown is their de facto leader - a leader who's not a leader - and there are complaints that Brown keeps 'upping the ante' in negotiations and 'you never know where you are with him'. The government people would clearly prefer to deal with the more or less disciplined factions they're accustomed to within the traditional machine, but the Greens argue that upping the ante is a strategy that has worked well for them so far.

Consider the following, all achieved in the eight months of the accord: world heritage nominations now cover 20 per cent of Tasmania: the Douglas Apsley Park on the east coast has been declared: the export woodchip quota will be kept at 2.889 million tonnes; the four: 1- export woodchip mill has been can: ed: the government is committed administration and consultation to Ga .mmunity groups; and, not least, with unanca Agreement saw, among the industry groups, forestry armers and graziers and the oth/ 11010 ment meet to attempt a consengov ithis has meant 'peace in our SUS

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As one leading Green activist deit: 'No one spent Christmas lying nained to a tree.'

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Endower interesting in some ways is the development of the ANM proposal to build a light at the coated paper mill at Boyer. At the Gree independents' insistence the EIS for this include a SECIS—a social, economic and munity impact statement as well as an environmental one. The Greens claim this is not a

They complain, however, that there are still hiccoughs in the consultation process and that the premier is good natured but not decisive enough in his follow-through on pro-



Green independent Christine Milne (above): partnership working and likely to remain stable

posals discussed. Some Green activists suspect the minders in the premier's department of trying to drive a wedge between the Greens and the public on 'small' issues not vital to the Accord, such as the recent argument over petrol rationing, the second of two major non-environmental conflicts that the Greens have had with the government. The first was occasioned by a government plan to close a number of schools and save the state \$15,000,000. The Greens disagreed with this

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in which the government clearly lost the public relations battle, successfully moved amendments in the House which were supported by the Liberal opposition. The government was forced to concede power to the independents and received a salutary reminder that it is there only because of their support. This did nothing to erode the Greens' public support; indeed in the eyes of many voters it seems to have verified their status as true independents.

There are still those in the Labor camp who believe that the Greens cannot last. Why? They cite the lack of a party machine and an organised support base. They're not a proper political party' is a comment often made. 'Give them time and they'll fall apart.' Others in the ALP, however, are perceptive enough to realise that the Greens do in fact have a support base and a highly effective organisation — it's

just a very different one from the traditional Labor model. And in some ways it's a better one, more modern in character, more flexible with a more mobile and more highly motivated voluntary organisation at the grass-roots level. For many of their young activists this 'looseness' is all they've ever known and it works for them. For older activists, many of them former ALP members, it's preferable to being token members of passive branches or faction fodder at state councils.

WHAT is even more striking to the seasoned observer of the Tasmanian scene are the real changes that the Green movement has made and is making to the wider political culture.

The Franklin decision has brought about a profound change in the political culture of Tasmania. Politically, the state differs from the rest of Australia, and this difference relates to two principal factors, the size of the population and the closeness of voters to their representatives, and the High Court decision on the Franklin River. The Franklin River debate brought about a profound change in Tasmania's political culture; it was an educative program in participatory democracy in which, for once, the people won. It was a campaign that involved so many people at so many levels for so long that there has been a significant flow-on in making ordinary people aware that they can be involved in changing government decisions that affect their lives.

I could give many instances of this but one will suffice. Recently in the small hamlet of Falmouth on Tasmania's east coast a handful of residents got together to form a ratepayers' association and discuss what they could do to resist a big development proposed by the local squatter. The members took up a collection and hired an environmental consultant and a professor of law from the University of Tasmania to represent them for a week in a land management court. Their combative

confidence in their ability to influence decisions affecting their lives is part of the general confidence generated in the community by the Franklin win. (Compare this with the fatalistic resignation of many of those affected in

NSW by the decision on the third runway.) In this context one can see the role of the Green Independents not merely as players in the accord but as community facilitators, helping participatory democracy to operate.

Community title offered

A new form of subdivision - community title — is expected to become relatively common on the North Coast in the next few years.

Community title is designed to meet a need for common property to be created within conventional subdivisions and therefore will fill a vacuum between conventional (Torrens title) subdivision and strata subdivision.

The Land Titles Office says that in addition to extending the concept of the shared use of common facilities to subdivisions which might consist of no more than vacant blocks of land, community title also provides for development of planned communities of any type where the use of some of the land is shared.

It will enable development of non-staged schemes or staged schemes over an unlimited time frame and will permit projects ranging from small groups of houses clustered around common open space to large communities with shared roadways and facilities based on commercial, sporting recreational or

agricultural teatures.

An association (similar to a body corporate) will own the common areas in shares proportional to the members' unit entitlement, based on site values which will determine voting rights and contributions to maintenance levies.

Community title incorporates a flexible, multi-tiered management concept and permits a management statement to be prepared for each scheme, setting out the rules and procedures relating to the administration of, and participation in, the scheme.

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Bridge demolition

Last week's demolition of the old Genera Bridge at Kyogle has upset several people, not the least of them wing Mr Arthur Strong, who yesterday described the lemolition as 'sad and gailing'.

Mr Strong, a former terest in the history of the (yogle Shire Council presi- bridge, and the construction lent, has taken a close in- of the new concrete struc-

ture that has replaced it.

In a letter to the Express Examiner yesterday, Mr Strong said: "The old high level bridge at Kyogle has been demolished.

"It was sad and galling to see the old bridge go the way it did. I am very angry and believe the community has lost an historic landmark," he said.

"The truss span was yanked off its, tressels and sent crashing to the bottom of the Richmond River with a mighty splash . . a sad fate indeed for a bridge that was part of our national heritage and somewhat special to Kyogle.

"It was believed by many people in the district that the old bridge would be carefully dismantled and much of it used to build a bridge across Cob-O-Corn Creek, west of Kyogle.

> "The brilliance of the demolition plan defies description. At least it was very simple. Vandals could not have done a better job.

> "Every blind Freddie could see that if the bridge truss span was dropped some 50 feet into the river it would end up a twisted miss, which it did.

"The demolition of the old bridge was, at best, inept. This was no fault of the workmen doing the job. They did only what they were told to do. But, not even a crane was at the demolition site until after the wrecking geniuses had had their little experiment".

Mr Strong said (Kyogle Shire) councillors, who are the representatives of the people and should be the guardians of historical landmarks, should have taken a more active interest in the demolition of the old bridge and not just left it to the experts.
"The old bridge, built in

1911, was listed in the Register of Australian Bridges for the Australian Heritage Commission and deserved a better fate than the ignominious end it suffered," he

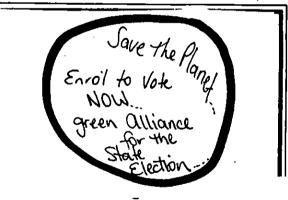
"When the old truss span was positioned, it was erected with far less sophisticated machinery and equipment than the high-tech apparatus available today. Maybe the difference was

that the bridge builders of old knew their job.

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MELBOURNE. - Agribusiness company Elders Pastoral would close many of its small country offices because of an expected sharp drop in the number of farms in the next 10 years, it announced yesterday.

In a planned major restructure of its operations, Elders Pastoral, a division of Elders-IXL, said it also would move many of its city management functions to 18

regional offices around Australia.

The changes were being made because the number of farms was expected to fall by 30 percent in the coming decade from 150,000, managing director Mr Keith Lawson said.

And the company, which had provided business services to farmers for the past 150 years, also would change its name to Elders Limited, Mr Lawson said.

He told the Victorian Farmers' Federation pastoral

group annual conference that while the number of smaller farms in Australia was declining, farming was becoming increasingly dominated by big properties run as

major business enterprises.

"By the year 2000 less than one-third of them are forecast to generate three-quarters of total farm output,"

In the light of these changes, Mr Lawson said, Elders Pastoral had considered what it should do to continue its ervices to Australian farmers.

Under the planned reorganisation of the company, many small country offices would be closed and some replaced by territory managers working from their own

City-based management functions would be diverted to regional offices. Mr Lawson said he would not specify how many jobs within the company could be lost and said major announcements about the changes would be made in two weeks.

Elders Pastoral has offices at Casino. Kyogle and

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Deep divisions between councillors and staff of the Kyogle Shire Council over capital expenditure for plant replacement once again have resurfaced.

Feeling within the council has been simmering since earlier this year when more than \$200,000 was approved to replace plant. The matter flared again

during debate over the council's budget estimates

for next year.

The shire engineer, Mr Patrick Knight, proposed in the estimates to spend a total of \$376,530 next year on the replacement of heavy and small plant as well as light vehicles.

Those councillors op-posed to the expenditure were Gladys Missingham, Sandra Davis and Berwin Smith, who claimed the money, or a proportion of it, would be better spend on rural local roads.

Cr Smith said that in the past two years more than \$200,000 had come off rural local roads to pay the some of that money in the council's debts and it was roads. 'morally wrong' to devote so much money to capital expenditure.

He said the council had an obligation to the rate-



PATRICK KNIGHT

payers of the shire, who had given the council a \$1 million loan, to reinstate

Mr Knight responded by saying the council had done exactly as Cr Smith suggested about 10 years ago and had ended up in a huge mess.

He said that as a result plant profit in 1984 only was \$180,000 compared with \$700,000 this year, of which \$200,000 was contributed to general revenue.

"No work can be done properly unless you have adequate equipment," Mr Knight said.

"And except for one. item, the money will be used to replace antiquated

equipment.
The bottom line is that if you want quality work done, you have to replace the old equipment."

The Richmond . River Shire Council has approved several major amendments to be included in its draft local environmental plan (LEP).

As the council's latest meeting, principal planning officer, Mr Bill McMahon, recommended the amendments be approved in a bid to gain certification of the

Mr McMahon said that a section 65(2) certificate from the department was required to enable the council to place the plan on public exhibition.

Mr McMahon said that

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The Kvogle Shire Council is to get a deputy shire engineer.

The council has made provisions in its budget estimates to employ a deputy shire

engineer from July 1 next year.

But the decision to engage a new engineer was not unanimous, and came only after heated debate in which accusations of inefficiencies were levelled at the engineering department.

The shire engineer, Mr Patrick Knight, who also is the shire's town planner, said that the increased workload in the two departments had made it necessary to ex-

pand the staff.

The shire clerk, Mr Philip Thew, confirmed that there were fewer engineering staff with the council today than in 1977, even though in that time the value of work done had increased from \$3.5 million a year to \$11 million.

Mr Knight told the council that at present he had insufficient time to 'do justice'. to both the engineering and town planning sides of his job.

He said that if a deputy engineer was employed he could devote more of his energies to the town planning, which currently occupies a third of his time.

Mr Knight responded to claims of inefficiencies in the engineering staff by acknowledging some mistakes had been made.

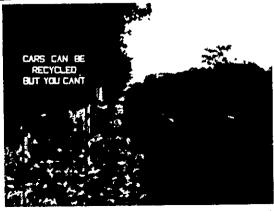
But he said the mistakes were caused by the overload of work and the continuing turnover of engineering staff which did not allow for continuity in projects.

Mr Knight also acknowledged that a suggestion, by Cr Berwin Smith that a specialist town planner by employed, would be a solution to the problem, al-though it was not his preferred course of

Meanwhile, the council has voted against employing a full-time clerk typist : to replace a part-time clerk typist employed in administration.

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The sign says it all, but it is in Zimbabwe, not in Australia.

a rural release strategy and amendments to the draft : LEP would be forwarded to the department for further discussion.

"There is still no guarantee that a certificate will be issued," he said.

These changes will be made in an attempt to get the plan on public exhibition.

The council will seek the assistance of the Member for Lismore, Mr Bin Ringn, if further problems arise in department discussion on the plan. --

- Following certification of the draft plan it will be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of one month.

Public input

Submissions will be sought and, if necessary changes included in the

Mr McMahon said there was still ample opportunity for public input and changes in the LEP.

"If is only at a draft stage," he said.

The amendments to the . plan include the preparation of a rural release strategy on the following princi-

The release of rural-residential land to be achieved by spot zonings.

...The reduction of the

number of concessional lots of one per existing parcel of land over 10 hectares.

The deletion of the detached dual occupancy provision.

The deletion of the clause excluding multiple occupancy in the shire.

Wetland zoning

The council also adopted two amendments to make the plan consistent with the proposed rural release strat-.4 egy.

"They relate to boundary adjustments and the prohibiting of building a dwelling in a wetland zone.

The council initially submitted its draft plan for a section 65(2) certificate on August 4, this year.

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few hundred more votes we Could have has Caldicott in Votes are Crucial ... State wide we voted 17,000 Strong for the green groups, in each state. There will be green representation in the up-Coming STATE Election and in Council elections.

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THE COMMUNITY TITLES ACT

Diana Roberts Pinpuna

On April 4, 1990 Mike Shegog and I attended a Land Titles Office seminar on the new Community Titles legislation. We attended as representatives from Pan-Com to gather as much information as we could for existing Multiple Occupancies and for those thinking of setting up a M.O. Community Titles legislation was passed by the NSW Government in 1989 and will commence operation in mid 1990. It combines elements of both conventional and strata subdivision and will replace rural strata title. The Act enables common property to be created within a land subdivision. Its introduction has been awaited by existing M.O.s with a great deal of interest. It was hoped that it would provide a legal framework that was suitable for multiple occupancy of land and that would overcome problems currently faced in relation to First Home Owner's Scheme (FHOS) grants, low-income housing loans, bank loans, etc. The legislation is very complex and the seminar only ran for & a day. The following is an attempt to outline aspects of the legislation relevant to land-sharing communities, together with my comments on its implications for us. Everyone may not agree with my interpretation of the legislation and anyone wishing to comment further is invited to contribute to future issues of the Pan-Com newsletter.

THE LEGISLATION

The Community Titles legislation has 2 parts:

- 1) The Community Scheme whereby a piece of land can be developed in many stages with common property existing.
- 2) The Neighbourhood Scheme which allows for a one-off subdivision with common property being created in the process.
- In my opinion the Community Scheme applies to large-scale development (by developers with considerable finance) and would not generally be applicable to multiple occupancy as we know it. The Neighbourhood Scheme appears to be the scheme applicable to M.O. developments and will be the focus of this article.

Currently in NSW M.O.s are subject to the Dept. of Planning's State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) No. 15: Multiple Occupancy of Rural Land. This policy, which is part of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, states quite categorically ".....to facilitate, development, in a manner which does not involve subdivision, strata title or any other form of separate land title, and in a manner which does not involve separate legal rights to part of the land through other means such as agreements, dealings, company shares, trusts or time-sharing arrangements". This means that the Community Titles legislation cannot be used for communities currently zoned multiple occupancy as Community Titles legislation allows for multiple subdivisions. An existing M.O. wishing to convert to Community Title under the Neighbourhood Scheme would need to approach its local Council to get the land rezoned (through a Local Environment Plan, LEP) from M.O. zoning to Community Title. Those wishing to set up a new community with a Community Title would have to apply for a LEP allowing community title zoning. not multiple occupancy. Having done this and assuming approval has been given, the next step is to decide on how the land is to be divided up

ar I to get an extensive survey done showing each subdivision. Under the legislation a subdivision can vary in size from something as small as a • house within four walls to whatever - there is no upper limit. After the land has been surveyed and plans have been drawn up, a development application has to be submitted to Council. This is normal practice. However, Council will also require a Development Contract which contains things such as a description of the land, plans, a description of basic architectural design and landscaping, community areas etc. A Development Contract will become a contract between the seller of the land and the purchaser of each subdivision and is a legally binding document. Council will consider the development application and decide what conditions are to be applied to the development. Consent to develop will be issued when these conditions are complied with.

Once the group has been established the members have to draw up a Management Statement. This is also a legally binding document that informs members of their obligations, their commitments, land management and development strategies, special rules, etc. Each piece of subdivided land will be separately rated according to size. Common land will be considered in this rating process and individual ratings would probably be lower than a similar block with freehold title.

THE ADVANTAGES

- The Development Contract and Management Statement, both of which are legally binding documents, would inform members of their rights, their obligations, plans for development, financial obligations, outstanding road levies, etc.
- The legal structure is more appropriate for multiple occupancy than current alternatives, i.e., company, co-operative, trust, tenants-incommon, etc. etc.
- Ownership with individual title of a piece of land will assist with eligibility for PHOS grants, low-income housing loans, bank loans, etc.
- Telephone connections may be cheaper.

THE DISADVANTAGES

- 1. Councils have not indicated support for the new legislation so LEP's for Community Title may prove to be very difficult to get, in some Shires more so than others.
- The cost of the land survey could be very high.
- Legal costs could be considerable.
- It is likely that stamp duty will be applicable on the transfer of title to each individual subdivision owner.
- Councils will still have all the existing powers in relation to development e.g. Section 94 levies, road improvement requirements, fire control, etc. These requirements are often prohibitively expensive, unrealistic and unreasonable. (Appeals against development conditions could still be taken to the Land & Environment Court).
- Individual rating of each subdivision is likely to result in higher rates for the development as a whole than if it were M.O.

IERE TO NOW?

1; I see it the Community Titles legislation is of little practical use .) existing M.O.'s. In addition, its implementation for M.O. development would compromise much of the underlying philosophy of land-sharing communities. SEPP 15, despite giving Councils unreasonable, wide-ranging powers, has aims and objectives that most communities are proud of and wish to encourage and develop. The Community Titles legislation contains nothing specific to the fundamental principles of land-sharing,

multiple occupancy development. These could of course be written into a Development Contract but there are no guidelines for this and the door is open for people who look on land ownership as a real estate investment. If we reject Community Title, what are our options? One option is for M.O.'s to lobby the Dept. of Planning in Sydney and Grafton and the Minister for Planning, Mr. Hay, to change SEPP 15 to remove regulations prohibiting subdivision (quoted above). The Dept. has stated that SEPP 15 is under review but hasn't provided details of how the review is to be conducted, when it will happen etc. However, the prohibition of subdivision seems to me to be fundamental to SEPP 15 and is what sets multiple occupancy of rural land apart from all other forms of land ownership. The one thing M.O.'s have in common is shared ownership of land.

A second option would be to carry on as before - to try to work within SEPP 15 as it currently is, continue lobbying Councils (get our representatives onto Council), forget about loans etc., fight discriminatory practices and get on with our lives and the development of our communities. However, if communities do become established under the Community Titles legislation pressure may be exerted on existing communities to "toe-the-line" yet again.

A third option would be for communities and Pan-Com to lobby Government instrumentalities and lending institutions to change their policies in relation to M.O.'s. The stumbling block seems to be that we don't own the piece of land we build on. If legislation can be passed that recognises that on an M.O. a person doesn't have to own the land their house is built on in order to own their own home, then FHOS grants, low-income housing loans etc. would be available to us.

More information on the Community Titles legislation can be obtained from Pan-Com.

A tale of cops, crops and props

gone well and N Police Crop, a bent cop was telling a straight cop (who believed him to be straight) that a straight cop (who knew him to be bent) was truly to pot



N Police Crop, a bent cop was bent. Meanwhile, down on the farm, a gang of Sydney crooks was brazenly stealing a police-sanctioned illicit harvest from the helpless Mafia.

It was a curious - and unintended, surely? - effect of this sensational docu-drama that the alleged maliosicame out of it virtually looking like Honest Joes, or Giuseppes. I put it down to the subtitles. "We can't let these crooks take our work and money." That is the sort of thing they are supposed to have said. "We'll have to put in another crop to pay for the lawyers." The police by contrast employed an earthy argot, often alluding to each other's ears and arseholes. This may well be a true picture, however. Even in your reviewer's relatively sheltered life, the good guys have not necessarily been the smooth talkers.

This program (as we reviewers like to say, when our heads are spinning) raised as many questions as it answered. One certain hero emerges.



He is little-known Jim Gellately, the props maker.

The pre-screening promotiona material explained that the marijuan: plants used in the production were "manufactured by the ABC propdepartment", so your reviewer looked at them with special interest. They were amazingly lifelike. If this is Jim Gellately's work, he is the Michelan gelo of marihooti. At the same time one hesitates to ask where he got his expertise, or indeed his models. A fantastic scenario rises in the mind: : government-funded organisation grows an illegal crop, with the help o crooks and coppers and the departmen of Ag and Fish, in order to make a film about ... No, it could never be.

CORRECTION

(ITEM) PAN-COM COORDINATORS

SHOULD READ CO-ORDINATOR. APPOINTED

WALLACE LANCASTER

Warm winter blamed on lack of volcanic ash 17-2-96

CHICAGO (Reuter). The absence of volcanic eruptions spewing ash into the atmosphere from the Earth's middle latitudes has brought warm winters back to the United States, a long-range weather fore-caster said this week.

Paul Handler, head of Atlas Forecasts of Urbana. Illinois, said the frequent. volcanic activity seen from about 1960 to 1985 pushed ash into the upper atmo-sphere, blocking enough sunlight to keep January temperatures far below average.

The record cold temperan tures seen at the peak of the cycle in the late 1970s; caused a spate of predictions by climatologists that a new Ice Age was coming.

But the lack of signifi-

cant volcanic eruntions in a band between 20 degrees north and south latitude over the past five years kept the stratosphere clear, allowing more sunlight to reach the Earth's surface and resulting in record warm winter temperatures across the Northern Hemisphere, Mr Handler said.



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Heavy coffee intake 'heart disease risk'

LONDON, Friday (PA). — Heavy coffee drinkers run an increased risk of dying from heart disease, according to a large-scale study published today

Norwegian researchers said they had screened 38,564 men and women to find out their cholesterol levels and how many cups of coffee they drank each day.

They found that coffee intake was 'significantly related' to death from coronary heart disease even after allowing for other major risk factors such as smoking and high blood pressure.

Altogether, 168 men and 16 women died of heart

disease during a four to nine-year follow-up period.

The findings are reported in the British Medical
Journal by Dr Kjell Bjartveit and colleagues at the
National Health Screening Service in Oslo.

They said cholesterol levels increased in line with the

number of cups of coffee consumed.

Some of the people drank little or no coffee, while others drank more than nine cups a day.

Mortality rose steadily in men consuming more than

two cups a day.

Among women there were few deaths, and an excess risk was found only for the two highest consump-- seven and eight, and nine or more tion groups cups a day.

The researchers suggested there is an effect of coffee consumption on mortality from heart disease over and above the cholesterol-raising effect of coffee.

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OUR NEXT MEETING-

To be held at Glen Bin Community on Sunday, March 19th, 11am. Childcare will be provided. Please bring your own food and drinks. Glen Bin is located off Stangers Road which runs off Stoney Chute Road (the road from Nimbin Road to Kyogle and Cawongla). Once on Stangers Road follow the sighs.

Agenda items include: Strategy to deal with individual ratings proposa for M.O residents; Improving communications between MOs and Councils; Delegates to stand for local Councils; Conflict resolution and group dynamics; the MO L.E.P. and many other issues. Come and participate and have your say. We have fun too!

FUND RAISING AGAIN

Pan-Com will be Charity of the Day at the Nimbin Market on Sunday, April 23rd. We will also have a stall selling cakes, second-hand clothing, hot soup and spuds, tea and coffee, produce, long stemmed flowers, herbs, jams, preserves, kids stuff, books and even furniture.

If you have anything to donate please leave it at the Nimbin Neighbour hood Centre or let us know if you want to bring something on the day. We need volunteers for the gate and to be at the stall.

We'll also need a loan of an urn and a blender. These items will be cherished and looked after.

Please help to make the day a success for us. We will be holding our April monthly meeting at the market from mid afternoon.

Offers of help or inquiries to Mike Shegog Ph. (066) 897 321

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PANCOMMENT

Our latest gathering at Pinpuna Community was very well attended, and was a delightful afternoon. Dianna's house at Pinpuna is set in a very lovely place, and the sun shone most of the day. Tim excelled himself with his famous cakes; even Cr. Lovell enjoyed eating some, although he may have suffered some indigestion later in the day.

Our dance, co-ordinated by Dianna and Lesley, was brilliant; top music by the Invisible Opera Co. of Tibet, the Wallys, and the Upsetters, and a fine job of Mistress of Ceremony by Truley De Vyne. Thanks are due to many people who assisted in the organisation of the dance, to the Rainbow Power Company (again), to Aine of Pinpuna, Kyogle Organic Growers, Clive Owen of Pinpuna for dispensing the liquid refreshment, and of course to Dianna and Lesley for bringing off a very successful night. You will be pleased to know that our bank balance is now in a healthy state.

You will find a subscription form in the newsletter, with an explanation of the need of further financial support for P.C.C. Please return this form with your subscription as soon as you are able -- and remember, you are helping yourself and your fellow community members.

Cr. David Lovell attended our meeting of the 19th of February, and at first it appeared that it was going to be another political snow-job. To the credit of our members present however, Cr. Lovell was eventually pinned down, and our grievances were aired. One of the agenda items for our next meeting at Glen Bin Community on the 19th of March, will be nominations for those among us who wish to stand as candidates in future Shire council elections, so please, come along and participate. Women are particularly encouraged to consider standing for election.

As you will see from the Community Update, Tyomakari Community is up and running again, with many new settlers arriving. Those new arrivals are encouraged to come along to our next meeting and share in our gathering. The mistakes which occurred at Wadeville during the initial "project" must not be allowed to happen again, and participation in P.C.C. is one way whereby such mistakes can be sorted out. Please come along - you're bound to enjoy yourself.

See you at Glen Bin on the 19th of March - Merry meet, merry part, and Merry meet again.

EOMMUNITY UPDATE

TYAMOKARI

Hello Friends, The feeling of strength and unity has returned to our community. In the latter stages of the govt: debacle a group of people who supported each other, gave to this land a feeling of community, and a tribe was born which, although dispersed somewhat, is still a tribe. That tribal feeling has sprouted again from those earlier seeds that were sown and lying dormant.

A group decision has been made calling for an end to negotiations with the Dept. of Housing. Seeing as our request for 12 months to raise purchase funds was being denied, and other conditions which are 'normal' to purchasing govt. land weren't being applied i.e. 6 weeks to pay, 10% deposit and payment of stamp duty, purchase of this land was made virtually impossible for us. With no prospect of purchasing and hence no 'legal ownership' the group decision was made to lay claim to our birthright i.e. an inalienable, undeniable right to a place to live, build a home and raise a family, according to our needs and finances. Letters and documents outlining this proposal have been sent to govt. officials, State and Federal. Our story and the same letters have been sent to various media outlets.

People here are once again working together in gardens, in creating shelters and in supporting each other. A community meal is held on Friday evenings.

Now we shall continue to live here and pursue our rights. When we win the right to live here we shall then deal with the Kyogle Shire Council's unofficial decision to reimpose ridiculous, ludicrous, prejudicial development conditions upon this land. They have said that they will take this to the Land & Environment Court. Personally I believe that they will be left very red-faced over such an action and would hope that negotiations could take place to avoid this. Yours in love and peace for the Earth, Gordon.

MT. OAK COMMUNITY

Have written to us wanting to know what's happening here on the M.O. scene and asking for info about Pan-Com. So, news travels as far as the South Coast!

THE WHAT COMMUNITY (Kyogle shire)

Have just received back extensive and demanding conditions for development of only 3 house sites.

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Have put in a suspension bridge over a large creek that people are welcome to go and look at. (A foot bridge). Also, they're currently changing their legal structure and are discussing options.

BLACKHORSE CREEK

Have appealed to the Land & Environment Court. They should be given a sitting date soon. The appeal has to be lodged with Council. Costs will be a few thousand \$ at least, even with Dave Lambert (RRTF) representing them.

LILLIFIELD

One person is paying off their \$1950 road levy by working for Kyogle Council as an unskilled labourer. We're checking what this means for DSS payments.

INFORMATION NETWORK

For the information of Pan-Com members we report that another small net is being stitched into the local, regional, national and international NETWORK for PEACE AND ENVIRONMENT. The small net is The Green Tomato Re-Sauce Centre, Barjuma Community, Lillian Rock Rd., Nimbin NSW 2480, Australia - Telephone No. (066) 897321 - and is being developed by Mike Shegog.

If anyone has regular up-date information that they would like to pass on for use in the Re-Sauce Centre please send on to the above address. The Centre has an AMSRAD 34" fixed disc, IBM compatible computer, with Modem.

If anyone is seeking information that is difficult ring Mike on (066) 897321.

SUBSCRIBE

At the last Pan-Com meeting it was decided to ask Communities and individuals to subscribe to our newsletter. At present any funds we get are going on producing and distributing the newsletter and income is only just matching expenditure. We can't afford to continue providing it on this basis. In these early stages we would appreciate your subscribins on we can continue to maintain effective communication with and between members. Maybe one day we'll all be on a good CB network. Until then—please encourage your community to subscribe and/or subscribe as an individual. We decided to charge \$20 for a year's subscription (approx. 10 issues) and would appreciate your completing the subscription form below and sending it off to us as soon as possible.

SUBSCRIPTION TO THE PAN-COM NEWSLETTER
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I/We enclose \$20 for a year's subscription.
Mail to Pan-Community Council, P.O. Box 102, Nimbin 2480.



Pan Community Council C.B. Network.

C.B. radio offers many advantages to Community dwellers, especially with the cost of telephone installations at present. Whilst C.B. radio is nothing new, it was legalised in 1977, it is still a very underutilised medium. The P.C.C. network is growing rapidly, with many communities finding the advantages of two-way communication for everyday activities, as well as emergency use. A list of channel usage is being prepared, and will eventually take the form of a directory. In the interest of furthering smooth operations on-the-air, there are a few points to remember;

Whilst the C.B. service is relatively informal, some rules apply. These rules have largely been formulated over a long period of time, with the interests of users in mind. Remember that your signal sometimes is transmitted over vast distances, all over the world in fact, so be mindful of this when discussing private matters.

Channel Allocation,

- CH. 8. Highway communications (Truckies).
- CH. 9. Emergency only. Officially gazetted:misuse is an offence under the Communications Act.
- CH. 11. General calling. (N.N.C. monitors this channel.)
- CH. 16. (L.S.B.) Sideband calling channel. Officially gazetted.
- CH. 22. (U.S.B.) General broadcast channel for C.B. Clubs etc.
- CH. 35. (L.S.B.) International calling channel:

Channels 33 to 40 are used world-wide, but particularly by Americans, for overseas contacts. These contacts occur on single sideband and will sound like Donald Duck if you have an A.M. unit only. Should you use ...: these channels for local A.M. contact, you may be 'wiping out' someone on the other side of the world, depending on the prevailing weather conditions at the time.

The C.B. service is an absolute luxury, not available to most of the worlds' peoples. The fact that such a service is available is the result of many people's determination over a long period. The basic concept which eventually led to the Govern ment legalising the service was the right of each individual to communicate freely with each other. Used wisely, this service can be a major benefit to our community.

Since the inception of Pan-Com on 14July, 1988, our members have frequently commented on the possibility of Pan-Com backing candidates in Local Government Elections, particularly in Kyogle Shire but also in Lismore and Tweed Shires. Is this the wish of our members (or Would-be members) as the next elections are in 18 months time?

If we are going to support candidates there is an URGENT need to agree on who are the candidates and the key issues to be addressed in our Manifesto (a statement of our principles and future policies).

Details of comparative socially just policies from Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom are available by ringing (066) 897321 (Mike Shegog).

Candidates for Local Government Elections is scheduled for discussion at our next meeting at Glen Bin on 19 March, 1989.

RADONG BULLINGHAR farm legislation

Kyagle Shire conneillor David Lovell has initiated a muse to base 'right to farm' legislation introduced in Isew South

If enacted, the legislation would pre-vent court action to testing agricultural

pursuits—Similar legislation already operates in some areas of the United States, the United Kingdom and Fittinge. The Kyople Shire Commit has backed Or Lovell's move and wall seek the support of the ShireC Association of NSW at its animal conference.

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C) Lovell believes that under existing lays. Australian fariners have very low rights. "Take, for example, a pig fariner who gets a holbs fariner for a new neighbour," he will.
"The fariner has been operating the piecety for 20 years, but the neighbour decolor that he committee that would of the pure, even though he bow the pig-gery was there before he built his hone;

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Variation!

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HO doubt traditional farmers (and it's not really an old tradition incidently) will have had to take another look at their methods following conflicts with new wave settlers as pointed out by David Lovell's push for 'right to farm' legislation.

Basically the 'modern' whether farmer. chemically-aware and educated. chemically-aware and not educated, is following methods and advice of the Department Agriculture of the chemical industry representatives, which is basically the same propagandist sales spiel, and does not have access o any other information, particularly direct from he scientific community.

While some larmers nay feel backed into a orner by the so-called inti-spray people's calls or rural re-think', they nave basically not understood that the new settlers have been pushed into a corner with health problems consistent with pesticide poisoning.

world. 10's a filthy world, David, and the best we can do re to try to clean up our own neighbout.

hoods. So, if your neighbours are petting sick because of your traditional farming practices, then it's firm you took time out to study ecologically sustainable methods, which do exist, because if your foldly group lates to recognize this fundamental need for change, then the prognosis is terminal appointment and all that that modes 116. 14/5 to Myrill Creek. 1 _ 10/2/29



THE FUTURE FOR FARMING

ZEALAND conference on ecological agriculture was held in Brisbane on Leb 6.7. and waverganized by the Biological Farmers of Australia [BFA', the National Association for Sustainable Agriculture Australa (NASAAL the Busdynamic Farming and

Gardening Association, Dove Rural Media P/L and Bio-Organic Freducts Inc.

Over twenty speakers with an interest in rustamable agriculture addressed the conference of five hundred visitors on a wide range of topics which included: Techinques of sir teinable farms ing. Tree planting on farms. Problems with cristing chemical use, Research into biological and non-toric control of peats, Mail eting, and handling of organic produce, Problems with easting legislation controlling farming and accreditation schemes yto cover organic growing methods.

Perhaps the most interesting and inspirations aspect of the conference was that many of the participants have a strong interest in the ethics of caring for the land which they manage, as well as producing healthy, high quality feed Another encouraging sign was the presence of many people from the Agri-

The first AUSTRALIA NEW cultural Departments of several states. Organic farming is losing its reputation a of being only for small water anti chemical extremests, and is starting to be seen as a viable hope for the sustainable production of food in the future.

There is no doubt that the existing agricultural system has many problems including massive soil less, depletion of soil vitality, increase ing operate datamento chemis cal control, while requiring the increasing use of petrochemical energy in the form of fertillisers, perticides and machinery we. Meanwhile our food beers a cocletail of chemical residues with largely unknown health effeets, and we pollute our soils. and water ways carraing once. again largely unknown effects on the remaining wild-

Most conference socabers took as given that the existing farming methods are unsustainable, and focused instead on explaining their approach to the needs of the future.

New Zealand was well represented by John Peace and Peter Proctor, both bio dyname farmers with up to twenty years experience in the held. They outlined how the NZ, Covernment has

publicly supported organ farming and is helping wi research and promotion. Th is largely a result of the lar Luropean market for organ food. This is due to the prolems of pollution and co tamination of food both chemicals and nuclear fallo from Chernobyl, In Germa alone, 15% of the poulati buys organic produce wh cever rassible.

In his opening address, Minister for Promary Ind try and Inergy, Mr Jo Kerin told those assemb that there exists a huge tential export market Australias organic/bionamic applications indus-Thios market encompas Japan, China, Europe a North America.

There was a feeling among many of those in the att ence that Mr. Kerla fell sh of giving a solid commitme of support to sustainable a riculture. In light of the N Zealand Covernmen exommtment there could some justification to the thoughts.

So lets forget the sheep, I time the Conertment and Primary Industry bit the b let. If they do Australia n well be known as the coun that rides on the back of organic farmer.

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plus a small donation to
cover costs.



WHAT YOU CANDO TO HELP SAVE THE RAINFORESTS:

++++++Sponsor a conservation worker*++++++ , for example.

The Rainforest Information Centre (P.O. Hox, 368, Liemone), are currently supporting conservation workers in the Equadorian: Andes whose aim is to help the Awa Indians to protect their \$30,000 Ha (more than a million, acres) of tropical rainforest and hunter gatherer culture from incursions by loggers and land-hungry "Colonos" -the descendents of black slaves. living in the foothills the last few hundred years. The 10,000 Awa Indians have sustainably inhabited this jungle since time immemorial. R. I. C. reportsthat Doug Mac Pherson (a veteran of the Nightcap, Franklin, Daintree and their World Bank dest) has negotiated successfully with the Equadorian government on a management plan to provide the Awa with skills in horticulture, establishing nurseries, etc., The Awa are cutting a "manga" around their land to demarcate it and their right to this land has been acknowledged by the government and all concerned so that the robust tropical jungle does not soon consume this 150 mile long clearing, Doug and the Awa have started to plant it out with productive fruit and native timbers leaving a permanent and productive living fence.

Now the Columbian government has started taking interest in the project and it looks like R.I.C. may be preparing similar proposals for the 300,000 Ha of Awa land on their side of the border.

FOR AS LITTLE AS FIVE DOLLARS A MONTH YOU CAN HELP MEET THE LIVING COSTS OF VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION WORKERS IN THE THIRD WORLD. Write to R.I.C. for details.

Department of Planning

To: City, Municipal and Shire Councils subject to State Environmental Planning Policy No. 15. - Multiple Occupancy of Rural Land

tssued to all other Councils for information

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31 August 1988

CIRCULAR NO. 150

Revocation of direction on Fimit of contributions for State Environmental Planning Policy No. 15 - Multiple occupancy development

On 11 January 1988, the then Minister for Planning and Environment issued a direction which limited the contribution Councils could require from multiple occupancy developers for services and community facilities to \$1950 per dwelling. This advice was forwarded to Councils affected by State Environmental Planning Policy No. 15 in an unnumbered circular from the Department of Environment and Planning dated 12 February 1988.

- 2. On 14 June 1988, the Minister for Planning revoked this direction. A copy of the notice of revocation is attached.
- 3. It is now open to Councils to set their own contributions towards the improvement of public amenities and services associated with a multiple occupancy. The level should be appropriate to the local circumstances.
- 4. The Minister has also decided that Councils may prepare local environmental plans dealing with multiple occupancy for their own local government areas. Consequently a Council may prepare a local plan which amends the State Policy by removing the local government area from Schedule 1 to the Policy.
- 5. Enquiries should be directed to the appropriate Regional Manager of the Department of Planning.

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R.L. Pincini <u>Secretary</u>



P.C.C., P.O. BOX 102, NIMBIH, N.S.W. 2480

ENROLPHET CALLAIGN

We are endeavouring to get.A.O. supporters to stand at the next local government elections.

DON'T FORGET TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL.

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EVERY VOTE IS ESSENTIAL

PAH-COLT: MEXT DESTING

Our next meeting will be held at Tyomakari (Wadeville), Stoney Chute ld. (Entrance on the right just after Websters Creek bridge if coming from Himbin). Sunday, June 18th, 11am.
Childcare provided.

Please bring some lunch to chare.

NIMBIN REWS

From next month Pan-Com will be making a regular contribution to Mimbin News. We will use this as an opportunity to publicise issues of concern to M.O.s and items that we feel are of interest to Mimbin News readers. Mimbin news has a wide circulation on the North Coast and a regular contribution will enable us to get better publicity for our cause.

In case you haven't previously read Rimoin hows we have enclosed a back copy for your perusal. Nimbin News has a number of retail outlets or you can take out a subscription. If there is an item you strongly feel should be included on our Nimbin News page please let us know.

GRANTS FOR REAFFORESTATION

If any readers have the energy and enthusiasm to get a reafforestation program going to prevent soil erosion, etc., etc., here's the address to write a grant submission to:

The Director, National Tree Program, Dept. of the Arts, Sport &Environment, Tourism & Territories, Camberra, ACT 2600.

DON'T BUY RAINFOREST TIBER

Many joineries sell window reveals and mouldings in meranti. Importation and use of this and other rainforest timbers from Halaysia contributes to the destruction of tribal hunting and duelling grounds as well as to the oxygen factory which we so desperately need now.

YOU CAN AVOID using these timbers by gettin, Australian hardwood reveals and mouldings from:

- 1. Lismore Timber & Flywood, Arthur St., N. Lismore.
- 2. Eljay Timbers, Lismore Rd., Bangalow

If you are aware of further sources of these and other non-rainforest timber products please supply details for our next newsletter

FIRST HOME OWNER'S SCHEDE GRANTS

Lillifield community are currently trying to obtain FHOS grants and have been advised that if each applicant takes out a 5 year lease with their community they will receive the grant. We have tried unsuccessfully to find comeone who has actually done this and received the grant. We have been assured by FHOS that there are people who have. If you are one of these could you please write with details to:

Sabina Baltruweit, Lillifield, P.O. Box 770, Lismore 2480, or ring Sabina on 89 7346.

LETTERS TO EDITORS' COLLECTIVE

Fear and Loathing in the streets of Nimbin.

Along with many others, I attended the "Public Meeting" held to seek solutions to Nimbin's "drug problem", only to find that the meeting was pre-structured to largely exclude any unsympathetic input from the public. Hardly an open forum, I was at first dismayed, then angry, and finally, the morning after, totally outraged.

How dare the members of the Drug Interest Group take my presence, that of many other people, to indicate to the media that their particular solutions to the "drug problem" had the full support of the meeting. At times, the speakers, particularly Mr. Bill Spain, sounded as if they would be more comfortable at a meeting of the Himbin Tidy Town Committee. The "drug problem" under discussion was heroin, and, according to the media information released by the Drug Interest Group, we ordinary folk can't walk the streets without being accosted by junkies, dealers, and AIDS infested degenerates. Mr. Spain, in fact, gave two instances of drug related violence to support his call for "a more effective police presence" in Nimbin. Both of these instances involved the drug alcohol.

The chairperson of the meeting, Dick Hopkins, has earned the respect of many people due to his general input to the community, particularly the resurrection of the Nimbin Market. I certainly applaud his activities in general. However, to widely advertise a "Public Meeting", then to gag public comment because the Drug Interest Group's agenda does not appear to include such an approach, is reprehensible. At one point, Dick went as far as to tell the meeting that whith was really happening was an "Information Night". I didn't attend for the purposes of receiving information, nor did many others. We attended in order to arrive at some practical way to help solve some of the problems of drug abuse. The meeting broke up in disarray without any concrete solutions being explored, other than Mr. Spain's call for more police. The following morning, on A.B.C. Radio news, I heard that the meeting had given a mandate to the Arug Interest Group's approach, the large attendance of 500 people (according to the news) being taken as an indication of that support. This is misrepresentation of the worst kind. The outcome of the meeting, again according to A.B.C. News, was to fully support a demonstration outside the new police station to ask for more police,

D suppose that if you ignore the results of this approach in every other community where it has been tried, then more police would seem to be the answer. Take Canberga Tor instance, squeeky clean, very tidy, plenty of police, and the largest per capita use of heroin in Australia. Mr. Spain's approach is cosmetic, he doesn't like the way Mimbin looks, he is fearful to go to Town, so is his family; this is not representative of the general feeling within the community. The use of heroin in Nimbin is in reality, and despite the exaggerated "statistics" bandied about at the meeting, no worse than any other community in Australia, simply more visible.

So --- what's the <u>real</u> drug problem? Well, if statistics mean anything at all, the answer must be alcohol abuse. This aspect is neatly avoided, after all, booze <u>is</u> legal, and most of the problems caused by this drug evidence themselves at the family level, well away from the sensitive eyes of Mr. Spain. As long as you can't see it, it's okay. I suggest that the members of the Drug Interest Group seek out the statistics on alcohol abuse and its associated social consequences, here are a few;

What are the police doing most of the time? Seventy percent of police time is involved in attending domestic disputes, involving violence on women and children predominately caused by alcohol abuse, 98 percent to be precise. One of the prime causes of heroin addiction in our young people remains the breakdown of the family due to abuse of alcohol by parents, usually the father, with associated violence inevitably driving children onto the streets and into the arms of unscrupulous adults. The current Committee of Inquiry into child homelessness has found that in every case of abuse of children and subsequent breakdown of family life, alcohol is the prime drug of abuse. It's the kids that wind up hooked on smack. What's the most commonly used drug which kids use recreationally and the easiest to get? Of course, alcohol. But it is legal.

My sense of outrage remains, also a sense of being tricked into appearing to support the views of Mr. Spain simply by my presence at the meeting. At least, that what the media has been led to believe. If Bill Spain doesn't like the Nimbin scene, then his energies, and those of the Drug Interest Group, would be more effectively spent in providing a community based drug rehabilitation centre, properly funded and staffed, instead of asking the State Government for a bigger stick.

COMMUNITIES RECYCLING RESOURCES

In a World of ever diminishing resources it makes sense to recycle the resources we have and to start by changing attitudes to our own rubbish. It's a valuable resource and if we feel any sense of responsibility to the future of our planet we can't continue to throw out our rubbish for someone else to deal with. Often it's just burnt, releasing toxic fumes, or buried which merely compounds the problems our World is facing. We must start thinking about sorting and recycling our garbage. How often do you take your garbage to the local tip and feel uneasy because it hasn't been sorted? The bottles you didn't take out or the paper that wasn't saved? In addition, we should be thinking of ways to reduce the quantity of garbage we churn out every year. For instance, take a basket or hessian bag shopping and refuse those plastic bags.

Much of our garbage is recyclable and recycling is a rapidly growing industry that provides useful employment. As communities we are in an ideal position to contribute to the recycling of resources and to share the responsibility. Flost of us already compost organic wastes (or feed them to our chooks), and many of us either individually or collectively, are in the habit of using paper and cardboard as mulen. Why not collectively recycle other materials? It would be relatively easy for us to set up collection points on our communities for waste materials such as glass, metal, aluminium cans, glossy magazines, bottles, plastic etc. At intervals these materials could be collected and taken to the closest recycling depot. Why not encourage neighbours to participate too and share the workload? In fact, why not start putting pressure on your local Council to provide collection bins for the different wastes, to save us all a trip to the recyclers? Recyclers will collect if the quantity is there. If we all start putting pressure on Councils they're sure to take it up eventually. Byron and bismore Councils are already starting to act.

In the meantime there are a lot of scavengers who sort through our garbage at local tips for recycling purposes. Why not find out what they want and make their job easier? Take your garbage to the tip pre-sorted.

Please raise this issue with members of your community to see what you can come up with as a group. If you're a member of a community that already collectively recycles rubbish please take the time to let us know now you organise yourselves so we can pass this information on to other communities. Good organisation is often the key to effective recycling.

RECYCLING DEFOTS

LISHONE HECYCLING, 192 Casino St. Lishore. For info ring Eric Cottee Pn. 21 3012. Eric's been recycling for 9 years and will take:

PAPER all paper (including clossy paper but only in small amounts). No waxed cardooard or cardboard milk and juice cartons as these are plastic coated.

PLASTIC Avoid using plastic as it's nard to recycle. Lismore Recycling will not take low grade plastic like supermarket bags. They will take plastic garbage bags, plastic milk cartons, oil containers, packaging prestic. All plastic items must be cleaned out and rinsed. No hard plastics.

GLASS All class except those mixed with plastic (e.g. shatterproof windscreens), or metal coated (e.g. mirrors), or class containing wire. Remove lids and wash glass.

METALS etc. Non-ferrous metals from cars etc. Aluminium, copper, brass, lead. Aluminium and tin cans but these must be washed. Aluminium foil. Car batteries.

No rubber, foam or polystyrene. No car tyres.

Eric collects regularly from Nimbin, kyogle, Casino, Lismore and other areas so ring him to find out when he's in your area and arrange to leave your rubbish for him.

OIL Cooking oil or engine oil is collected by a Grafton firm from companies such as kirklands Bus Services to recycle and use in industrial burners.

OLD CLOTHING St. Vincent's etc. Wool, cotton and linen compost well.

OTHER CONTACTS: TEELING RECYCLING CENTRE, First Av., Casino Ph. 62 3779

Will take <u>all</u> plastics.

LISHORE BOTTLE SALVAGE Br. 21 3012 CHALLENGE FOUNDATION Ph. 21 6374 RIVERSIDE RECYCLING, Grafton Ph. 42 6428

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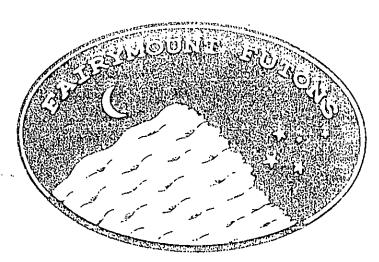
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Or, Telephone Wednesday mornings on 891 305.

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THERE IS A DENTAL CHAIR AT THE NIMBIN HOSPITAL FOR FREE DENTAL WORK FOR PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL CHILDREN (WHOSE PARENTS HOLD IN HEALTH CARE CARD). THERE IS A "COUPLE OF WEEKS" WAITING PERIOD FOR THIS WORK FOR AN APPEINTMENT RING 231476.

ABULTS HAVE TO GO TO LISMORE or casing for free Denial work. THERE IS A FOUR MUNTH WAITING LIST AT LISMORE FOR MOST WORK BUT FOR EMERCENCIES THEY MAY BE ABLE TO "SQUEEZE YOU IN AFTER TWO WERKS 1711

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CASINC! PH. 622111 LISMORE: PH. 218000, XTN. 476

REFORM OF DECISION MAKING FOR DE FACTO RELATIONSHIPS

DSS officers often must decide whether a de facto relationship exists in order to determine entitlement to a pension or benefit.

The sole parent pension, which is aimed at helping people who are bringing up children alone, cannot be paid if a person is living in a de facto relationship.

Until now, legislation has required DSS to make detailed and often intrusive investigations to establish that a de facto relationship exists. This can be a very difficult task.

The Government proposes to amend the <u>Social Security Act</u> to clarify the factors that are to be taken into consideration by DSS and appeal bodies in deciding whether a de facto relationship exists. These include financial, household, social, sexual and personal arrangements.

This amendment was recommended by the Social Security Advisory Council's Legislation Working Party and will provide greater certainty and guidance for decision makers and clients.

In addition, the Government proposes that the Act be amended so that there is a presumption that a person is living in a defacte relationship in certain cases. The cases where this will apply are where a person has shared the normal place of residence for at least eight weeks with a person of the opposite sex who is not a blood relative and:

- a natural or adopted child of both persons lives in the same residence; or
- · they own their own home together; or
- they have joint assets or liabilities with a current market value in excess of \$1,000; or
- · they have been married; or
- they have lived together at a previous address (except where they shared that address with another adult with whom they now live).

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D.S.S. ON 24/4/89 BUT I

HAVE NOT BEEN ADVISED

WHEN THESE CHANGES WILL

BE INCORDORATED IN THE

SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

BOSICALLY THIS MEANS THE ONUS OF PROOF HAS CHANGED. IN THE CASE/S CUTLINED YOU WILL NOW HAVE TO PROVE THAT YOU ARE NOT IN A DEFACTO RELATIONSHIP, NOT DSS PROVING YOU ARE!

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FOR SATURDAY OPENING OF N.N.H.

3/6/89 - JUDY LANCASTER TO 6/89 - GREG BEHREND D

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RIDVISION)

A BEAUTIFUL POEM FROM "THE CHRONIC-PAIN HEWSLETTER".

DEAR WHITE FELGA -

Coupla tings you outs no;-

Firstly Wen I born I black

Wen I grow up, I black

Wen I get sick, I black

Wen I go out in the Sun, I black

Wen I cold, I black

Wen I get scared, yees, I black

And wen I die, I otill black.

But you white Jella -

Wen you born, you pink

Wen you grow up, you white

Wen you get sick, you green

Wen you go out ina Sun, you go red

Wen yourold, you go blue

Wen you get neared, you yella:

And wen you die, you purple!

So you white fella, goota cheak to call me coloured!



The annual Spring Equinox Gathering is planned this year to be a big one, with communities from all over Australia attending. The next Pan Com meeting will begin the planning for the Festival, and you are urged to attend if you wish to have a part in the organisation and running of the Festival. A special planning meeting will evolve from the next Pan Com? meeting, the date and venue for this special meeting will be worked out at this meeting as well. See you there.

Kyogle Shire Council Draft L.E.P. No. 3.

The Pan Community Council has recently prepared a submission to the Shire Council regarding the terms inditions contained within the above ily a gene ral improvement over the document. Whilst L.E.P. No. 3 is or Multiple Occupancy is restricted. last Draft in December 1988, Land to narrowly defined areas of the ___. We have sought a meeting with the Shire Council to discuss this aspect, other matters raised in the Draft being dealt with in our Submission. The complete Submission can be read atthe Neighbourhood Centre, and will also be available at the next meeting .

ADVERTISING

Pan-Com has decided to allow advertising in its newsletter. Ads from M.Q. communities and residents will be given priority and a donation towards the. cost is required. All other ads are to be paid for and our charge is \$20 per ad. Ads may be refused or not put in due to lack of space.

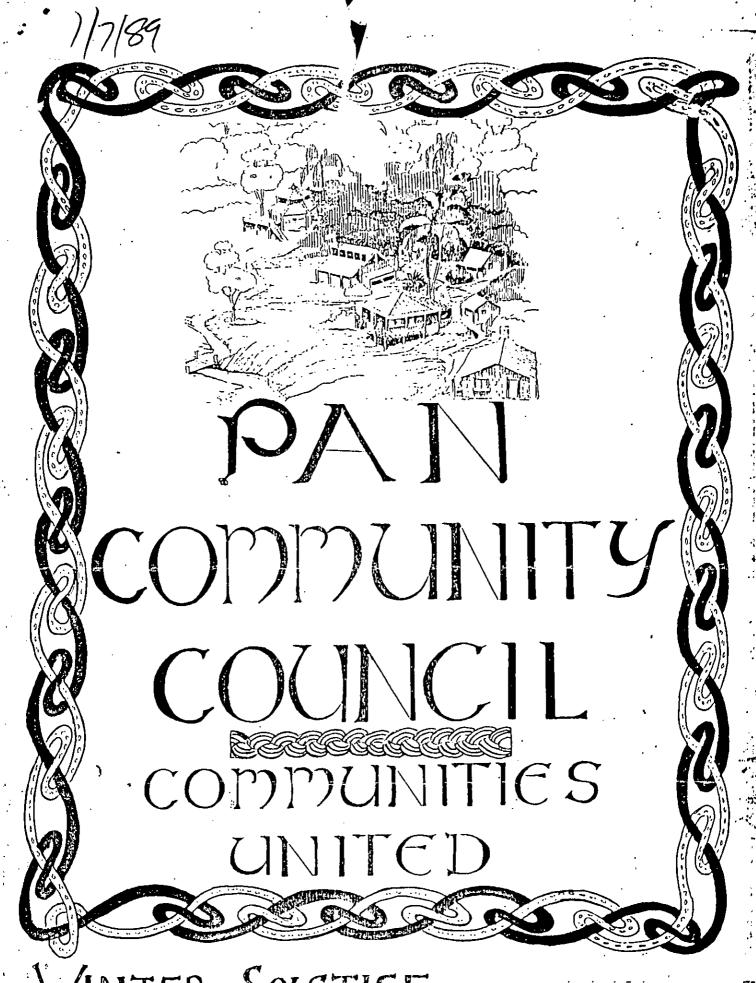
All matters relating to advertising will be at the discretion of the newsletter team.

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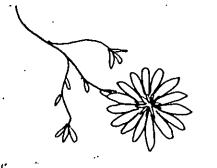


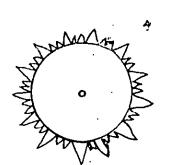
At the last Pan meeting, at Tymokari Community on the 18th June, the venue for the Spring Festival was decided; Tymokari will hoat the Festival, and this year we are expecting community folk from all over and the Festival will be advertised on all community radio stations and the Festival will be advertised on all community radio stations and the Pestival will be advertised on all community radio stations from a stround the country, beginning with 4222 in Brisbane, and 2XX in building of the Festival facilities. The next Pan meeting will be building of the Festival facilities. The next Pan meeting will be a work—day, and will be held on the 16th of July. A donation of timber work—day, and will be held on the 16th of July. A donation of timber work—day, and will be selected in the 16th of July. A donation of timber work—day, and will be selected to begin construction of the stage, so bring along spen are selected to begin construction of the stage, so bring along Equinox will be the staging of a successfull Festival, and to make this begin to a selected the selected in an ongoing way.

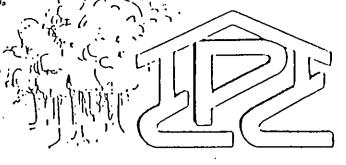
We have had a little feedback on our submission to the Kyogle Shire Council, nothing official yet, but the response is positive. The main stumbling block is the issue of spot-zoning. On the subject of the two building inspectors. The woman was out at the time, but the two inspectors found time to wander around and come across a few little seedlings. Off they went with one of the seedlings to the Kyogle Police, who then rang the Nimbin Police. The Nimbin police, all fired up by the Drug Interest Meeting, arrived at the woman's house and busted her, the Drug Interest Meeting, arrived at the woman's house and busted her, the Urug Interest Meeting, arrived at the woman's house and busted her, the Lyogle Council would have demolished her house. The next day, the two inspectors arrived with a demolition order, but were ordered off Avalon by a deputation of residents. The folk at Avalon are awaiting the next response from the K.S.C.

So ---- have a joyous Yule, and a prosperous new season, and see you, all at Tymokari on Sunday the 16th of July. Bring tools, nails, food,

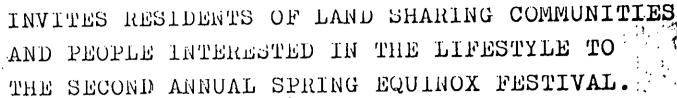
and good humour.







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A CELEBRATION OF ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES.

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MANY OTHER TOPICS WITH GUEST SPEAKERS

INCLUDING: WOMEN'S ISSUES: LOW COST HOUSING.

MUSIC: DANCING: SONG AND CELEBRATION.

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REGISTRATION FORMS SEND S.A.E. BEFORE 30/8.

SPRING EQUINOX FESTIVAL : REGISTRATION FORM:

COST PER ADULT : \$10 or \$15 at the gate.

COST PER LAND SHARING COMMUNITY : \$50 in advance.

Name of community:

Estimated number of members :

Your name :

Address :

Phone No. :

Would you like to open a, stall? If yes., Please give details. Areas of interest you would like to discuss or have discussed.



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Community starts in the heart

COMMUNITY NEWS.

Avalon: Many new shareholders have arrived and the energies have really picked up. Check out the water tank at the entrance, everyone painted something. Relations with the K.S.C. are not improved, but the Community is getting on with more important things.

Barjuma: The foundations of the Green Tomato Re-Sauce Centre were commenced on the Solstice and estimates are that the building will be completed by the end of August. This Centre will be computer-linked with a global eco-net for the networking of environmental and political information. Contact: Mike Shegog. Ph. 897-321.

Blackhorse Creek:

The court case has proceeded in Sydney, with the Judge withholding his decision, Cr. David Lovell appeared for the 'prosecution'.

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Tyamokari:

As the cool breeze filters through, so does the excitement; lots of willing and eager people are with us and our dreams of Tymokari. With the help of our Q.C., Sir Adrian Solomons, Bill Blair, Pan-Com, and the strengthening support of local people, our dream becomes reality. The Spring Equinox is a stepping-stone in achieving what the Community as a group, could not. As our tree and orchard planting continues, so our link with the Earth, and our roots, go deeper. We welcome community-minded people, with the Earth in their hearts, to join us.

Pinpuna: Two new dunnies have been built, (those of us without a dunny will appreciate the importance of this), and the wet weather has put a stop to the regular volley-ball days. Diana has returned from her walkabout much refreshed and bubbling with energy.

Moondani:

A new orchard is being planted, and the last remaining share in the Community has been sold. Two new dams are under construction, one of these being for fish-farming. Kath and "Sarah are learning to live with each other and the sun shines brightly on the ridges of Moondani.

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PH 891 546

ILLAWARRA FLAME TREE (Brachychiton Acerifolius) --- \$4.00 each --- 3'-4' Tall

Semi-deciduous, large glossy lobed leaves, becomes covered in small bell-shaped red flowers in early summer when the tree is without leaves, best flowering occurs after dry periods. Requires good loamy soil for best development. Frost tender when young. Occurs naturally in rainforests from the Illawarra to North Queensland. Excellent windbreak and a good ground holder. Grows to 60 feet.

BLACK BEAN TREE (Castanospermum Australe) --- \$3.50 each --- 3' Tall

An attractive and popular evergreen shade tree, profuse red and yellow flowers on the older wood of branches in summer. The tree has green pods and large round seeds. Particularly suitable for banks of streams and water-courses and dams. Grows to 60 feet.

BUNYA-BUNYA PINE TREE (Araucaria Bidwillii) ---\$3.00 each --- 1' Tall

A tall tree with a symmetrical domed crown, the cones are up to 30 cm long and up to 30lbs in weight. The nuts when roasted are delicious. The tree is magestic and is an emergent in rainforests. It requires good soil for best development. If the hole for planting is 2½ feet deep, this will be sufficient for good growth. Grows to 100 feet.

NOTE: WITH EVERY PURCHASE, A FREE ALOE VERA PLANT............

" HELP SAVE THE KOALA"

We have sown many thousands of KOALA FOOD TREES for future sale. I have selected 4 varieties of eucalypt that the koala favours the most, and I anticipate that the seedlings will be ready for sale around christmas time. The prices of the trees will depend on their size when sold, but probably around 40 - 50 cents each, and a cheaper price per 100.

Anyone wishing to place orders for koala food trees when ready, please ring the above number. Below is a description of the koala fodder trees.

TALLOWOOD (Eucalyptus microcorys)

A large tall tree with soft, fibrous, persistent bank and a dense crown of rather small leaves. Occurs on rich moist soils in coastal districts of MSW to Fraser Island. Flowers profusely June to November. Up to 100°.

SWAMP MAHOGARY (Eucalyptus robusta)

A medium to tall tree with persistent rough bank. Timber is heavy and durable in the ground. Flowers heavily from September to Hovember and is an excellent honey tree. A good tree for rich coastal areas, particularly in wet sites, such as creeks, dams; watercourses. Grows to 80 feet.

RIVER RED GUM (Eucalyptus camaldulensis)

Large tree frequently spreading from ground level with smooth light grey mottled bark. Mainly confined to river banks, alluvial flats and moist depressions subject to flooding. The tree is frost hardy, making excellent growth on heavy soils and is especially recommended for planting in damp situations such as a shade or windbreak tree. White flowers Dec-Feb. Grows to 90 feet.

FOREST RED COM (Eucalyptus tereticornis)

Frequently tall with a thick trunk and upward sweeping branches but also occurs with a short trunk and branches heavily on the crown. The bark is smooth and irregularly blotched, frequently a short stocking of rough flaky bark at the base. Frost and drought resistant tree. Excellent for heavy soils in low lying areas. Wide occurence throughout Queensland. Brilliant white flowers from June - Hovember. Grows to over 100'

Commune givel final approval

An attempt to overturn a Lismore City Council decision approving a multiple-occupancy development at Whian Whian was defeated narrowly at this week's council meeting.

The rescission motion was lost on the casting vote of the Mayor, Ald Harold Fredericks, after the voting was deadlocked at 6-all.

An application from the Jagera Rural Community to construct six residences on the 21-hectare property in Lecson Road was approved by the council at its meeting on June 6, subject to 27 conditions.

However, a notice of rescission was lodged by Aldermen Jim Armstrong, Reg Baxter, John Crowther, Don Johnston and Jeff

Mayor thwarts rescission bid

Spash after they failed to block the development.

The five aldermen had previously supported a motion that the application be refused because it was not a true multiple-occupancy, and that it conflicted with surrounding farming activities and was not in the public interest.

Several adjoining landholders also objected to the development, claiming it could impact on their lifestyles and farming activities.

They were concerned families on the multiple-occupancy might object to accepted farming practices, such as aerial and ground spraying of macadamia and other horticultural crops on surrounding properties.

Opponents of the development also questioned a finding by the Department of Agriculture that the bulk of the property did not comprise prime agricultural land.

At Tuesday night's meeting, Mr John Wilkie, an agricultural consultant employed by one objector, claimed 60 percent of the

property was prime agricultural land for macadamia growing.

"The main point I wish to make is that the North Coast, and this area in particular, has a unique opportunity to develop a very lucrative industry based on macadamias," he said.

Mr Wilkie said the approval of the development would bring into a predominantly farming community people with an urban rather than rural background.

background.

"In some cases, this may lead people to perceive there is some threat to their health or livelihoods from adjoining farming operations," he said.

said.
"It is not my place to address the rights or wrongs of people's attitudes.

"But if you bring people from an urban background into an area used extensively for agricultural purposes you are likely to have conflict.

"Rural people will accept farming operations as being quite normal.

"Urban people have a



ALD FREDERICKS

right to question those operations, and they fre-quently do.

Ald Mac Nicolson criticised the assumption made by Mr Wilkie that most people living on multiple-occupancies came from urban backgrounds.

He said there was no basis to this assumption, and that Mr Wilkie's comments lacked credibility.

A spokesman for the developers, Mr John Armstrong, said that residents were prepared to abide by Department of Agriculture regulations and guidelines for the agricultural management of the property and their relationships with neighbouring landholders.

"This is a very straight-forward application which meets all State and local government regulations," he said.

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If you haven't already joined Pan-Com or subscribed to this newsletter please do so as we need your financial contribution to help keep us afloat.

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If you wish to join Pan-Com and receive our newsletter the cost is \$20 per individual or community.

If you wish to become a member of Pan-Com but don't want to get the newsletter the cost is \$2 per individual.

If your community subscribes to the newsletter please ensure it gets circulated effectively. We only send one copy to each community and we rely on you all to see it circulates.

If you are an individual subscriber we would appreciate it if you would pass your copy on for others to read or pin it onto your community noticeboard.

We are always looking for articles or issues of interest to communities to put in our newsletter. If you have anything at all please write to us or leave a message at the Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre. We will follow it up.

If you would like to help prepare this newsletter our next working days are 22nd July, 26th August and 30th September, 10am at the Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre.

PAN-COM CO-ORDINATORS

At our last meeting we elected of co-ordinators who will act in this role until December 1989. The same Sampson (Tyamokari) Ph 897275 and Des Layer (Moondani) P.O. Box 102, Nimbin 2480.

The other 2 co-ordinators who have been elected until September 1989 are Diana Roberts (Pinpuna) Ph 891529 and Wally Wallace (Whatt Community) Ph 891492 (messages).

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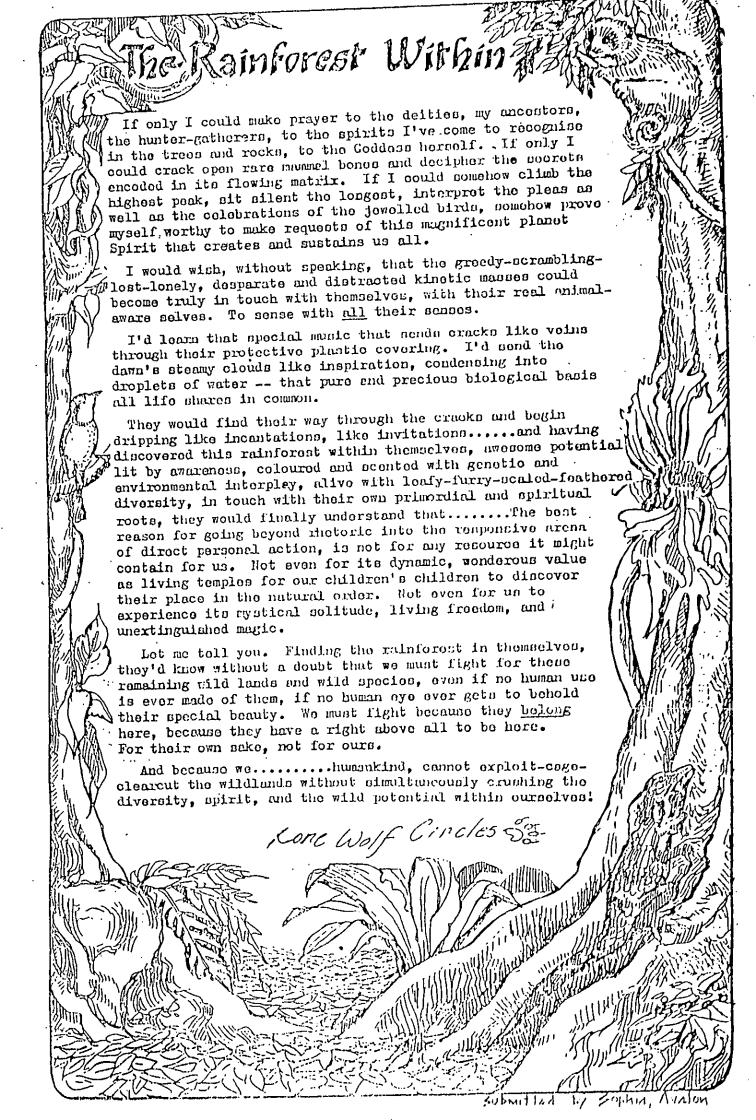
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MONTHLY MEETING VENUES:

Sunday, September 17: - Eden Creek Hall via Kyogle, 12 mldday. From Kyogle along Afterlee Rd for approx. 15km. Turn off to the left just before a cement bridge where there is a sign post to the Hall which is approx. 100m down the road. The Hall area contains toilets, a kitchen area and kids' playground. Bring Your Own Everything. Pan-Com meetings are always a great opportunity to find out about other communities, what's happening on the land-sharing scene, get help with problems, share experiences, brainstorm ideas etc. Anyone is welcome and we always have a good time. So come along either to contribute or to listen and meet people.

Sunday, October 15: - Lillifield Community, 12 midday. Lillifield is off the Kyogle/Murwillumbah Rd next door to the Daystar School at Lillian Rock. More information in the next newsletter.

Sunday, November 12: - Dharmananda, lpm., Ross Rd., The Channon. More info in the next newsletter.

We are still working on a new date for the large Festival gathering we have planned. January 1990 has been floated as a possibility and we will discuss this at our September meeting.

NEWSLETTER PRODUCTION

This newsletter is produced monthly, on Saturdays, and currently at the Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre. The Pan-Com Co-ordinators co-ordinate its production and members of various communities pop in during the day to drop off contributions, to write articles, to help collate, etc. For the newsletter to be interesting and useful we need contributions from land sharing communities and interested individuals. (Yes, that could mean you!) At our next meeting we will be discussing the possibility of getting different communities to take on the production of one issue or a few pages of an issue. This would mean greater variety in terms of lay-out and content plus the potential for more news about individual communities. Our next newsletter working days are 30th September, 21st October, 18th November, 10am - 3pm, at Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre. If a community undertakes to produce part or all of a newsletter and wishes to do so at another venue we will provide venue details via the newsletter. Please discuss this idea within your community.

PÁN-COM CO-ORDINATORS

Following the departure of Karen Sampson from Tyamokari, Gordon King from Tyamokari (Ph.897 275) was appointed as a Pan-Com Co-ordinator to December. Other Co-ordinators are Des Layer (Moondani) P.O. Box 102, Nimbin, Diana Roberts (Pinpuna) Ph. 891 529, and Wally Wallace (Whatt Community) Ph. 891492 messages.

NIMBIN POLICE/COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

At our last meeting it was agreed that Diana Roberts will represent Pan-Com on this Committee which is to meet in Nimbin bi-monthly. We decided that if such a committee is to exist it would be better to be represented so we can contribute to discussion and keep in touch with what's happening than to not be there. If you have anything you would like brought up at these meetings or want to know more about them please contact Diana on 891 529.

SOCIAL SECURITY UPDATE

Why Field Officers May Call

A Field Officer from the Department of Social Security (D.S.S.) may call on you for many reasons. It may be a routine review, or they may want more information to assess your pension or benefit eligibility. It could mean that they are investigating your circumstances because they suspect you have not told them something. Someone may have claimed you are working, or living in a de facto relationship, without informing the Department. They could be enquiring about someone else's eligibility.

How you respond is very important, and knowing your rights will help.

If a Field Officer has a simple or routine question, it is usually best to answer immediately and politely. If it is more complicated, or involves allegations against you or someone else, it is often best to say nothing until you have time to collect your thoughts.

Where can you get Independent Advice?

- Australian Legal Aid Offices throughout N.S.W. (see the Commonwealth Government section of the telephone directory).
- Local offices of the N.S.W. Department of Youth and Community Services throughout N.S.W. (see the State Government section of the telephone directory).
- DR SEE WALLY AT PANCOM MEETINGS OR NOT THE NIMBIN NEIGHBOUR & INFORMATION CENTRE (891492) (I'M THERE JOME DAYS) - OR WRITE TO ME = - INFORMATI CENTRE I CAM ATTEND INTERVIEWS OR RING OR WRITE TO DSS ON YOUR BEHALF IF YOU NERD ME TO.

What to Do When a Field Officer Calls

- · Be polite and courteous, but firm.
- · Ask to see their identification to check they are from D.S.S.
- · Ask for their name and the reason for their call. WRITE DOWN THEIR NAME & TAKE NOTES DURING THE INTERVIEW
- · It is often best not to allow a Field Officer into your house. - THEY CANNOT INSIST ON COMING IN - THEY HAVE NO LEGAL RIGHT TO GO INTO YOUR HOUSE FENT ETC., UNLESS
- Give the Field Officer the information he or she is seeking only if:-
- it is simple and routine and nou are sure you know the answers; or
- there has been a simple mistake or misunderstanding that can be cleared up immediately; or
- you receive a written Notice from the Secretary of D.S.S. saying that you must answer questions or make a statement immediately. Read the Notice
- · Otherwise, it is best to say politely:-

"I do not want to answer any questions or make a ... statement at the moment. Please send me a notice with the questions you want to ask me and I will send you my reply.

This is to give you time to think about the correct answers instead of answering off the top of your head, or saying something you do not mean. Never admit to doing sometning wrong until you have time to think and, it necessary, to get advice. It may be that you are in the right.

- back. Conclude the interview immediately and then:
 - write down as much as you can remember of what, happened and what was said. If there was a witness, get them to do the same. - ALWAYS GET A WITNESS IF YOU CAN!
 - ring the manager of your local D.S.S. office and register a complaint. If this is not effective, contact the Commonwealth Ombudsman s Office.
- If necessary, seek advice
- Always keep copies of letters you receive or write to

More about Field Officers' Powers

Can collect information about you from sources such as friends, neighbours, employers, bank managers, real estate agents or landlords, Taxation Office, telephone, gas and electricity suppliers.

Can insist that these people answer questions put to them in a written Notice from the Secretary of D.S.S. Cannot obtain information from your lawyer, and probably cannot obtain it from your doctor, counsellor

or other professional advisers, unless you consent. Cannot breach your confidentiality by telling other people about you or your affairs.

Cannot go into schools or approach principals or secretaries of schools, OR YOUR CHILDREN!

Cannot cancel or suspend a pension or benefit. They can only recommend to someone higher up, and they must have good reasons.

THIS ALSO MEANS THAT IF A FIELD OFFICER ASKS YOU FOR INFORMATION ABOUT JOME ONE SE SENT TO YOU IN WRITING

YOU INVITE THEM.

THIS INCLUDED MOST COVERN-MENT DEPARTMENTS, BOT

If a Field Officer becomes offensive, do not answer - ASK THEM TO LEAVE & MARANGE ANOTHER TIME IN THE OFFICE OR TO SEND YOU A LETTER WITH THE QUESTIONS.

FORGET - YOU CAN INSIST ON SEEING ANYTHING RELATING TO THEIR QUESTION-ING THAT IS IN THEIR MANUALS, GUIDRLINES , THE SIS, MET OR ON YOUR FILE - MENTION

THE MAGIC WORDS-"FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT!

Remember: - Some FIELD OFFICERS ARE POWER HUNGRY BASTANDS - DONT LET THEM BLUEF YOU!

- 1. You do not have to allow a Field Officer into your home.
- 2. You do not have to answer questions or make an immediate statement unless you receive a notice from the Secretary of D.S.S. which orders you to do so. (Insist on keeping a copy).
- 3. You can saw that you want to get advice or hark page - before you answer questions or make statements.
- If the Notice asks you to go to an interview, try to get advice first and make sure you take along a triend, relative, interpreter, lawyer
- 5. You have a right to be given a copy of any statement non make, whether you sign it or

DON'T SIGN A STATEMENT UNLESS YOU ARE CRETTING THAT EVERYTHING ON IT IS ACCURATE YOU UNDERSTAND IT FULLY - MAKE JURE THRY RULE A LINE AFTER THE LAST WORDS OF THE STATEMENT SO THAT NOTHING CAN BE ADDED LATER.

OMMUNITY UPDATE

AVALON

The person on Avalon who received a demolition order in July from Kyogle Council has been advised that if she submits a building application with plans and a formal written commitment to pay the road levy demolition will not go ahead and her present dwelling will be recognised as a temporary dwelling. She has since submitted and paid for a temporary dwelling permit but will not receive it until she complies with their conditions. However, like many of us she feels unable to commit herself to payment of the road levy and is trying to decide on her best course of action. In the meantime the demolition order still stands and her breathing time runs out on August

First Home Owner's Scheme

A couple from Pinpuna have been advised that their application for the FHOS grant has been approved after they took out a 5-year lease with their community. However, no money has been received yet. A resident of Lillifield is looking into ways of taking out a 5-year lease to apply for the grant without having to pay hefty legal costs. More on this in future issues.

Communities in Kyogle Shire
It has been recommended by Mac Nicholson (Lismore Council Alderman) that any M.O. in Kyogle Shire wishing to put in a development application should do so now hence avoiding the possible ramifications of the Local Environment Plan Kyogle Council is considering implementing. Any community needing help with this should contact Pan-Com or Blackhorse Creek Community. Just putting the Draft L.E.P. on public display is sufficient to change the rules relating to Development Applications.

TYAMOKARI

The growing community of Tyamokari has once again been thrown into the front line of battling for peoples' rights against the bureaucracy. The N.S.W. Dept of Housing has negotiated the sale of the land to one Mr. Gary Jones of Armidale, and have accepted a deposit, the sale being subject to the D.o.H. providing vacant possession of the property. The price negotiated was \$160.000, -- \$10.000 lower than the figured tendered by this community! As yet no-one has received eviction orders or summonses. If this does actually occur and the D.o.H. has the guts to go through with this action then we have two courses of action:

- 1) Legal action through Legal Aid by Mr. Vyvyan Stott.
- 2) Community members will passively(?) resist any attempts to remove them.

We have been told by a legal source that if the eviction order is carried out then we only need to have more people coming on to the land to negate "vacant possession" and the D.o.H. will have to go through the whole eviction process again and again and again1999?

Tyamokarl Cont.

On a brighter note...... We have agreed to host the All One Family Gathering on September 23 and 24, 1989. The Kitchen and Camp area will be free from smoke, intoxicants and money. The kitchen will operate on food people bring to share and there will be at least one Communal Feast each day. There will also be dancing, singing, chanting, sharing of ideas and feedback circles plus information about All One Fami; Gatherings. Everyone welcome.

Pastures Protection Board
This will be further discussed at Pan-Com's next meeting in September but it was suggested at our August meeting that communities who object to paying the P.P.B. annual bill could lodge an objection with the Board and put the levy amount in a separate bank account. Has anyone done this or does anyone have ideas on this?

PAN-COM ROSTER FOR NIMBIN NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE SEPTEMBER '89 2 September - Aine (891529 messages) 9 September - Judy Lancaster (891492 c/- Wally) 16 September - Katrina & Scruff (891546 messages)

23 September - Wally Wallace (891492 messages) and Gordon King (897275)

30 September - Mike Shegog (897321)

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CALL TO ALL GREENS SE

PRESS RELEASE:

Oth/August 1989.

A group of about 60 concerned residents met at the Autumn Club hall in Murwillumbah on Monday ulght, with the aim of forming the Tweed branch of the Richmond Greens Political Party alliance.

A member, Ms Janaki Pearson encouraged the gathering comprising of farmers, individuals and diversified local environmental groups, to put aside their differences and work towards the common goal of arresting the worlds critical challenges relating to environment, socio-economic and political issues.

The objects of the meeting were to hear everyones ideas, to formal time a group of people who are concerned enough to act, to diagnam various local concerns and how to more effectively deal with issues by establishing an environmental resource centre in Murwillumbah, and to provide voters with a Green alternative in the next election

The meeting resolved to call on Tweed Shire Council to provide recycling facilities to outlying areas of the shire and produce a booklet for each household on "How to recycle your subbish".

It was also resolved to lobby for recognition of forest regeneration on farmland as an appropriate land use attracting rural rating concessions, and the promotion of ecologically sustainable planning guidelines for rural lands developments based on Permaculture and Bio-dynamics to balance the urbanization of farmland.

The group will call public meetings in all major centres of the Richmond Electorate in the near future.

For further information contact is Jan-Godding 1966 703-22.

JAMES ILBASON 797181

(King Colly)

This press release was sent to us by Jal Morrison from Pretty Gully Co-Op. The meeting mentioned had two purposes. Motions were passed to formalise the Richmond Green Political Party and later meetings will formalise the Constitution. Jai asked if Pan-Com could help by organising a meeting in Nimbin. Pan-Com will discuss this at our September meeting so come along if you're interested. The other aim of the meeting was to gather energy for an environmental resource centre in Murwillumbah. Maree Fowler from the Big Scrub Environment Centre in Lismore spoke and was extremely helpful. Ian Cohen (a local activist) spoke about the new centre in Byron and a Gold Coast group told of plans to establish a centre at Tweed Heads. So the wheels are moving and quite a network is developing. Anyone who'd like to be involved in either should contact Janaki Pearson, Pretty Gully Co-op, Pretty Gully, Byrill Creek Rd., via Uki 2484. The next meeting of the Richmond Greens - Tweed Branch is Monday, 11th September, 7.30pm, Autumn Club Hall, (next to the library), Murwillumbah.

SHARES FOR SALE

BLACKHORSE CREEK via KYOGLE 2474 Contact: 321 102, 322244, or write.

* 1,000 acre valley, the complete watershed of Black Horse Creek (perennial)

* Some rainforest, lots of forest, some cleared land, lots of replanting and regeneration

* 25 shares, 15 households resident at present. We'd like people who appreciate the benefits of community, though we have separate households, plus 10 acre "private holdings" per share.

* Several shares for sale, some with buildings, priced from \$7,000.

AVALON COMMUNITY The Western Paradise ... has shares available for Earth loving people.

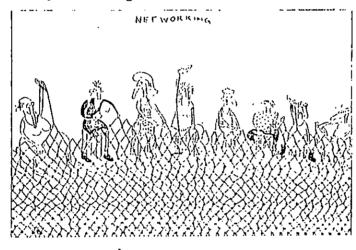
Each share varies in size from 2 - 8 acres and has water on tap connected and all weather internal roads completed. Steiner School ... 3km. Environmental by-laws included in lease Agreement to protect an abundance of wildlife and trees on this 360 acre island of forest.

Full rights of resale etc. apply as in freehold title.

Cost: \$13,700.

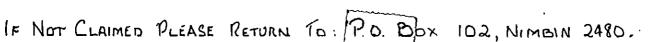
For further information: contact Sophia Andrea, Avalon Community, P.O. Box 136, Nimbin.

Or, Telephone Wednesday mornings on 891 305.



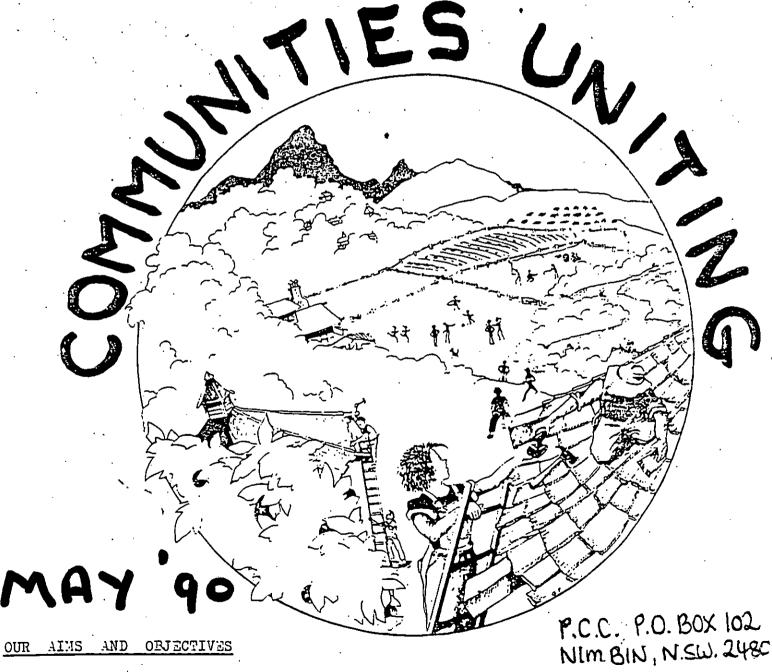
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C/o The Channon P.O



Pan-Community Council

MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY DEVELOPMENT



1. Protection of the natural environment.

2. Promotion of social interaction between communities.

3. Direct assistance in dealing with local shire councils & other government bodies.

4. Fostering sustainable economic initiatives.

5. Fromoting the general principles of M.O. land use to media, councils, and the wider community.

6. Pooling resources, expertise, and skill-sharing to facilitate the above.

PAN-COM MEETINGS

On SUNDAY, JUNE 10 the monthly Pan-Com meeting will be held at Nmbngee Community, along Gwynne's Rd. (off Lillian Rock Rd), Lillian Rock. Meetings start at 12 midday, bring your own everything and who knows, maybe Nmbngee are into volleyball and we could squeeze a game in!

On SUNDAY, JULY 8 the meeting will be held at Avalon Community, Stoney Chute. More details next newsletter.

NIMBIN AGRICULTURAL SHOW

The Nimbin Show is going to have an organic section this year so we'd like to encourage everyone on communities to start now so you can come up with your best for the Show to help create a great organic display.

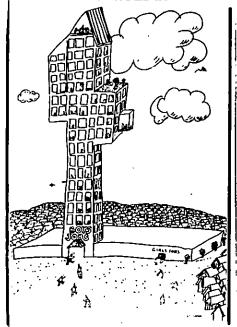
PUBLIC MEETING IN NIMBIN ON DRUGS

At our last meeting Pan-Com decided to co-sponsor a meeting being organised by Nearly Normal Nimbin to look at the problems associated with drugs in Nimbin. The meeting will probably take place in June and we hope to assist in the preparation.

On the same subject, the media has been hot on our toes lately over the drug issue. Diana Roberts, media co-ordinator for Pan-Com, has spoken to the Australian and the ABC Countrywide program (to be screened in a couple of weeks) on our behalf. This was following discussion of the issue at a Pan-Com Meeting. At our last meeting it was also agreed that Harry Neville would write, on our behalf, to Lismore City Council opposing the proposal to open a Tavern at The Channon.

LISMORE CITY COUNCIL

Lismore City Council will be holding their June 5 Council meeting in Nimbin. Residents of Nimbin are planning to make submissions to Council concerning the proposed sewerage scheme and the Nimbin Tip. This meeting will also be an opportunity for any communities who wish to do so to voice their concerns over whatever to a full Council meeting. If you have something you would like to raise please contact the Council immediately so as to be on the agenda to be heard.



Did You Know?

- More and more plastic is thrown out in our garbage with each passing year - more than any other type of garbage.
- Plastic greedily takes up one third of tip space because it's hard to compact down.
- * There are 46,000 pieces of plastic garbage floating in every square mile of ocean. (US studics)
- * It is important to never burn plastic. Many give off highly toxic dioxins and gases when
- The plastics industry in America is mounting a campaign against mandatory recycling legislation. They claim it is pren

- * Turtles devour thin plastic bags,
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 # 200 million throwaway containers are sold in Australia every year.
- * Australia manufactures around I million tonnes of plastics a
- 表 Each Australian uses an average of 64.5 kg of plastic products a year.
- # PVC, a plastic linked with cancer scares in the past, is still being used in drink containers in Australia.
- 米 Biodegradable plastics made from starches being

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While you were in town earning an I tuned the car, fixed thos income faulty electrical appliances, repaired t Turtles devour thin plastic bags, sewing machine, bricked up the backs thinking them to be jellylish, installed the new plumbing, took the and die as a result. cooked you tea.



PANCOMMENT

This Newsletter will be the last in the current format --- as from the June issue, you will be reading a much improved publication. It seems appropriate to begin the seasonal New Year with a fresh approach, so the editorial team will be focussing on events and news within each Community. Our feature next month will be Billen Cliffs Community, and subsequent editions will highlight other Communities' activities.

And now --- the FINAL word on the demolition of Tonia's house at Avalon Community. Many folk have expressed disappointment with Tonia for not remaining to see the Court process through. However, when Tonia finally decided to leave for India, having postponed her departure twice before. it was only after two appearances in the Land and Environment Court in Sydney, and a subsequent indication from Kyogle Council that the matter could be dealt with out of Court. Tonia was not able to obtain Legal Aid, and her costs were spiralling, so much so that it became a clear choice between India and continuing Court proceedings. At Tonia's appearances at the Lismore Court relating to charges laid during the demolition, all cases'were held over until Tonia's return from India, the Kyogle Council did not object to this decision. Following Tonia's departure, by a matter of days, the Council's Solicitors, D.M. Jones & Ass. apparently decided to pursue the matter, fresh papers were served and this resulted in a Pancom rep. visiting Council to discuss the matter. During these talks. both the Shire Engineer and the Health Surveyor agreed that a postponement was in order. A FAX message was sent to the Land and Environment Court to this effect. However, the case proceeded, with the Kyogle Shire Council claiming 'victory' ---- a victory of subterfuge and deceit. Meanwhile, life at Avalon goes on, and the Community looks forward to the next challenge. Hopefully, this will be no more serious than how big the Community Hall should be, and what colour should the paint be?

Still at Avalon, lots of work has been happening in the area of water conservation, with a total of eight dams either constructed or under construction. These dams would probably be called 'ponds' by the farmer, but many plans exist for theer use, including aquaculture. Any folk who are interested in this process can have a look at the dams at the July meeting of Pancom.

FROM BILLEN CLIFFS

Every year Billen Cliffs is inspected by the weed inspector for groundsel. It is a Council condition that we eradicate noxious weeds. As Billen Cliffs is 800 acres of cliffs, ridges and valleys, surrounded by landowners who do not always clear their groundsel satisfactorily, it is a difficult job for us. The voluntary groundsel clearing party is made up of the usual small number of people who do everything. Now, a notice goes out to every unit holder with the notification of our A.G.M. This notice states that if the groundsel is not cleared to the Council's satisfaction, they can come in and use herbicides. After checking and clearing their 2 acre units and hamlet commons, unit holders are asked to please sign the enclosed form and put it in the office mail box within 30 days.

If, after that time, the work party clearing absent unit holders' land and company commons finds groundsel on units declared cleared, the unit holder will be billed. The fee for clearing units is \$45. The money is spent on property maintenance.

Recommended method of eradication if not possible to uproot plant cut bushes off and paint the cut stem with diesel.

Joy Williams

AN UPDATE FROM BYRON COMMUNITIES

In 1980/81 the Byron Shire President called a big meeting for multiple occupancies with the intention of ultimately legalising them. M.O.s were asked to register as an M.O. and in 1984 29 communities did so. Last year legislation became effective and communities had to submit a development application. These applications came back with varying development conditions but included \$3500 per share Section 94 contributions.

Communities in Byron are currently negotiating conditions with Byron Council but are in the lucky position of having a Shire President and other councillors living on land-sharing communities.

CONSULTANT-BOOKKEEPER TAXATION_

INCOME TAX RETURNS, BOOKKEEPING, STATUTORY RECORDS PREPARED LOCALLY

VERY REASONABLE RATES CONTACT: VICKI GOODHEW PH. 891 546

The Lismore City Council has ar- Billen Cliffs lodged a strata title plan rived at what it hopes is the final with the council.

Word on rates for the Billen Cliffs community at Larnook.

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A meeting this week of the council's policy and resources committee conducted protracted negotiations recommended a rate of 70 percent of over several years to arrive at a ratthe general minimum rate on all lots. This would be implemented when

The plan was expected soon. Billen Cliffs and the council have

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duced rating because it has to maintain its internal roadworks and has a major bridge reconstruction project.

Billen Cliffs said it was a low-cost, self-help community and its unitholders already had to pay an annual amount of \$325 for roadworks, fire services and was control

THE ALTERNATIVE SOCIETY

It seems the legal system in its infinite wisdom, has bestowed a victory on Lyogle Shire Council.

How dare Tonia Jansen of Avalon Community empower herself? She took charge of her own and her children's lives, moved closer to nature. She built a more than adequate home with limited resources with minimal impact on the evvironment.

Kyogle Shire Council decided it was unhygenic and they'd be better off with nothing. How dare she appeal against this wisdom and logic in the Land and Environment Court. They ruled against her.

And what did the alternative society do about it? After the Nimbin meeting 50 of us went to the Council chambers and lodged our protest. An even smaller number went back and re-built the home. What happene to the solidarity of Terania and Mt. Mardi logging dispute? Keep sleeping and your home and lifestyle will be next. Stand up for your rights and freedoms before there's nothing left.

Des,

- THIS NEWSLETTER NEEDS INPUT -

It's meant to be a newsletter for communities, about communities and by communities.

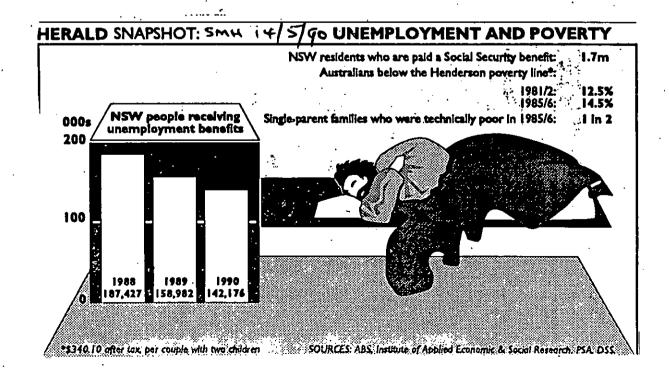
Let's hear about your successes so that WE may learn from them and be inspired by them.

Let's hear about your failures so that WE do not make the same mistakes, and your problems so that WE can attempt to solve them; be they communal, inter-personal or agricultural - anything.

Help, Help, we're drowningin your apathy.

Send your liferaft to P.O.Box 102, Nimbin, 2480.

Position vacant: - Roving community reporter to visit communities and gather community news. Possibility of payment in L.E.T.S. \$.

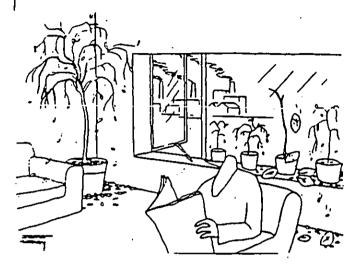


types of socialist

Socialists can be divided into three essentially different types. First of all, there are peaceful or bourgeois socialists,



Paraquat Exposed



One of the best publications that we receive at the Big Scrub is the quarterly "Journal of Pesticide Reform" which is published by the Northwest Coalition to Alternatives to Pesticides in Oregon in the USA. The latest edition has sveral articles on the commonly used herbicide called Paraquat. The following is a summary that Kev has made of one of the articles.

This non-specific herbicide is extremely toxic, it's potency is best described by Edward Block a lung specialist from the University of Florida: "probably the most effective herbicide that exists right now on the earth. It is also one of the world's worst poisons".

Paraquat has a severe effect on lung tissue. 3-5ml (A teaspoonful) will cause death by suffocation within weeks of exposure. There is no known antidote and it cannot be removed from lung tissue. It has been linked with many accidental deaths, including children, and with suicides in third world countries. Large doses have caused damage to the brain, adrenals, kidneys and lungs - and death occurs within days of ingestion.

It is toxic to epithelial tissue such as skin, nail, eye cornea, liver kidneys and the linings of the gastro-intestinal and respiratory tracts. Systemic damage can result from skin contact. It is a powerful mutagen and has also been linked to the activator of Parkinson's disease. Lower doses than used for weeds kill bees and may have long term effects on wildlife - it is highly toxic to bird embyos and young nestlings.

The Malaysian government reports that Paraquat poisonings account for 66% of 1.442 reported pesticide poisoning cases between 1978 and 1985. Many cases, they add, go unreported. Statistically more than half the Paraquat poisonings are fatal. It is impossible to safeguard against exposure in tropical countries, where in many cases the users are unable to read the labels warning them that full protective clothing is required.

It is persistent in clay soils. Clay dust can act as a courier into the lungs and stomach of humans, domestic animals and wildlife. It is lethal to frog tadpoles at 0.5ppm and some organisms have been known to bioacumulate an original dose by 2.000 times. Smoke from paraquat-dosed foliage is very toxic and there has been noted a potential for ground water contamination.

It is sold in 130 countries worldwide, but some countries have taken action to ban or restrict it's use. Israel restricted it's uses with special labelling since 1963. It was voluntarily withdrawn from sale in Norway in 1981. Sweden banned it in 1983 because of its highly toxic and irreversible effects, while New Zealand restricted it's uses in the same year. It was withdrawn by government order in 1986 in both Denmark and Finland. The Netherlands banned it's use in 1989 due to it's persistence in soils. It has been restricted in Japan. Turkey and the Phillipines.

In Australia, it is available for use in all states with a "Dangerous Chemical" warning under brand names such as ICI's "Gramozone", "Spraytop", "Spray Seed", "Tryquat 200 Non Residual Knockdown Herbicide", Hortico "Weedex" and CropKing "Shirquat"

Some alternatives to Paraquat include: mechanical weeding, mulching or snading weeds, biological control such as Dipel.

The Marijuana (mas) Debate.

So many words have been spoken and printed about this simple herb, that sometimes I think it's a waste of time and paper -and ink and energy to pursue the matter any further. The herb is smoked, and has been so for thousands of years, all the police and all the technology in the world will not stop that from being the case. Around Nimbin, there needs to be some discrimination shown as to the difference between the grower/smoker, and the grower/capitalist. That's all really. Other than this, just keep smoking.

Harry.

The Nimbin Info. Board was unveiled on Saturday the 21st of May in front of a cross section of Nimbindians, minus the media. Perhaps Bob's banner up in the camphor-laurel should have been bigger. Maybe the media would have been more interested?

The Info. Board is truly a work of art, and cartographically speaking an accurate representation of the valleys and ridges of the Nimbin area. Kathy Stavrou must be congratulated for such a positive addition to Nimbin. Maybe it's time to start working for an energy independent Nimbin, and really give the tourists something to see.

Pature Protection Board

Pancom is seeking comments and criticism regarding the operations of this Board, and would like to hear from anyone with a view to air. Please send your comments to Pancom, PO Box 102, Nimbin 2480 marked for the attention of Wally Wallace.

PETER HAMILTON

"BODH FARM"

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PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES.

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To pool resources, expertise, and skill-sharing to promote the above. To act as a non-profit organisation solely to promote the philosophy of land-sharing.



The next Pan-Com meeting is to be held at "Avalon Community" Stoney Chute Road (at the bamboo house) on 8th July 1990 at 12 midday



PANCOMMENT.

The first edition of Land-Sharing News marks the second anniversary of Pan-Com, and an attempt to embody all the wonderful suggestions of our members as to what they want from Pan-Com. The focus this month, the end of the seasonal year, is Billen Cliffs Community, next month, another community, until we all know much more about each other, and the community on which we live.

Pan-Com's roving reporter, Shelley from Avalon, is out and about collecting stories from community members, but we also want stories from the pens of all the folk on communities. Don't worry about the spelling or the grammar, the editorial team will take care of those matters. We know that there are many talented cartoonists out there, but so far we haven't been able to tempt some of you into publication. To overcome this hopefully temporary situation, we introduce two characters from the South Coast of N.S.W., Austral and Viridian Green. This cartoon comes with the compliments of a Magazine called Kindred Spirits, and is a continuing story of two simple folk living close to Nature.

The big news, of course, is our Spring Festival, to be held in Nimbin on the last week-end in September. Much more about the Festival later, but let it be known that flood, fire or tempest will not stop this one.

To those folk who celebrate the cycles of Mother Earth, this time of year marks the close of one gateway, and the opening of a new. Yule eve, June 24th, marks the close of the year, and the 25th begins the New Year. Winter Solstice marks the beginning of a three day period of solar standstill, having reached the Northern limit of travel. On the dawn of the third day, the Sun begins His return to zenith at Summer Solstice. So -- to those of you, Happy New Year!





FOCUS ON BILLEN CLIFFS



The Billen Cliffs community is situated at Rock Valley and consists of 800 acres of beautiful steep ridges, valleys and cliffs. Also thick bush, lantana and peavines, with a small stream and several streamlets flowing through. It was passed as an M.O. development by Lismore council in late 1982. 20 council conditions were listed, which the developers intended to contest. 128 units of 2 acres were allowed, and the first 50 or so sold rapidly, enabling Billen Cliffs to pay the agreed instalments on the land and start the internal road systems.

But we had not counted on some local farmers filing a suit in the lands and environment court against Lismore council for allowing this "hippie commune" Everything had to come to a halt. We supported the council, and eventually the verdict was handed down in the councils favour, stating that we had the right to exist. Then we had to start on the weather deteriorated roads, with less funds available than anticipated. Also, because of our rugged terrain we could create only 115 two acre units, with hamlet commons. Naturally we ran into all the usual troubles that beset M.O. developments.

Lismore council would not issue any building permits until all 20 conditions had been met. Some of them quite impossible as interpreted by council departments. We had by now missed our opportunity to lodge any legal protest.

So began the long and frustrating negotiations. Desperate families began building illegally, and twice stop work and demolition stickers were plastered everywhere. Late 1984 saw 8 building permits with the promise of more when we had completed and sealed the stretch of Martin Rd from the bridge to Billen Cliffs. This was started early 1985, giving us 12 more permits, and finally completed after unbelievable niggling by council departments, and much hard voluntary labour by residents, in late 1986.

Billen Cliffs had also ended the original development contract and we were now the developers. The community house, the original farmhouse, was sold with development consent for the purchasers to set up a shop, the Billen Cliffs Store. But the saga continues, as by now Lismore council had ruled, on the advice of a Q.C., that we were really an illegal subdivision, breaking one of the 20 conditions. So we went from legal M.O. to an illegal setup which had council approved houses on it?

Meetings with the Mayor were fruitless, so we sent an avalanche of letters to members of parliament. The State government advised Lismore council that as they had originally passed us, they had to sort it out. The new eagerly awaited state M.O. code proved useless for us. Our unit hoiders wished to retain their rights over their individual 2 acres and set boundaries, building permits, F.H.O.G. etc. We had found that the only way to make any progress negotiating anything with the council, was to form a small negotiating committee of 3 people, who were the only people to communicate officially with the council and departments. This committee reported back to our community meetings, and acted on the community decisions.

Finally council agreed that we could apply for Strata-title, "although it has never been done before"? The proposed community title act was then a long way off. So 1987 saw the start of the long and costly proceedings to give us Strata-title, a professional survey, expensive maps, solicitors fees and government charges. Each step taking a long time to complete. We came to an agreement with the council on the bridge component, giving us the rest of the building permits. We are paying \$9,608.77 per year over a 10 year period. They are to build and maintain the bridge. When we eventually obtain this elusive strata-title, we will have to pay individual council rates of 70% of the minimum rural rate, which would amount to \$179 per unit for 1990, as well as our internal levy which covers our roads, maintenance, water resources, community projects and general running costs.

Billen Cliffs has been unable to supply the promised piped gricultural water to hamlets. It was an impossibly expensive dream for such a large property. So, as residents work out their own water schemes, come individual and some hamlet or group, they are paid an agreed water allowance per unit in return for waiving all claims o be supplied by Billen Cliffs.

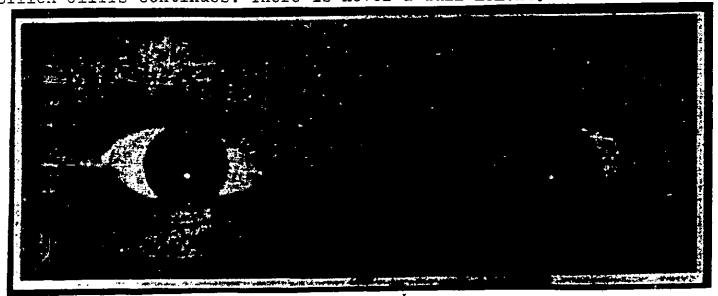
We now have a development and road maintenance committee who have gained their knowledge the hard way, and are starting to acuire our own machinary, with sheds and workshop to come when the money and energy are forthcoming. Our monthly community meetings set the policies for our Board of Directors to carry out officially. The board of 5 to 9 people is elected from residents at our yearly A.G.M. This system is working well, as problems and decisions are thrashed out at the meetings, letting the Board get on with the necessary official business.

With the large number of people now resident, approximately 64 units are permantely occupied at this time, we have been able to form a small peace tribunal to help settle some of the differences which will always arise in any community. We have also found it necessary to formulate some oy-laws, so that what should be acceptable conduct between neighbours is made clear. As the necessary maintenance work and general running of this place is done by the same few volunteers, this year we have instigated an 32 per hour of voluntary community work. Groundsel clearance is a big job here, so absent unit holders are billed \$45 for the clearance of their units and hamlet commons. The money going towards general maintenance.

A committee runs get-togethers and childrens concerts etc, as we have at least a covered stage and park area. Adequate fire control is an onloing bone of contention. One of our council conditions is a 20 metre firebreak on our western and northern boundaries, the north boundary being very steep and rugged. Volunteer workdays are called, with a picnic lunch. We have purchased a 4w.d. international truck with a Rolls Royce motor, fitted with a water tank and pump. Long handled beaters have proved to be the most effective weapons for fighting bushfires in our steep terrain. Each resident to have 2 beaters.

while at present we are in an official state of limbo, which unfortuntely cannot go on for ever, once we are again legal we expect the council we expect the council will make moves to check out that all buildings comply with building and health regulations. One difficulty could be an agreement on what is "a water supply of adequate capacity to meet the annual demands of the dwelling", another of those 20 conditions, most of which have gradually been negotiated with the council.

sillen Cliffs now has only 8 company units left for sale, with an ongoing number of private sales. At our A.G.M. end of July, some big decisions will have to be made. So the saga, or is it soap opera?, of sillen Cliffs continues. There is never a dull moment.





THE ROVING REPORTER

Hello everyone, I'm Shelly, the Pan Community Council's rowing reporter. I live on Avalon, a community along Stoney Chute Rd. I share my home with Noel and Poxy dog, and are paying off a share in the community with noel. Our house (temporary dwelling) is made out of Bamboo, hesian and cement, recycled wood and rocks from the garden. We are blessed with abundance of rocks-even though we curse them while we dig them out.

Our aream is to turn our share into a permaculture based paradice. Although we have only been on our share for 3 months - already it is my paradise. My lover Noel is 19 years old, myself, 17, and even though, due to our age, we have had enaless finiancial hassles in making our dream become reality - we both still feel this is the best life to lead.

I'm really looking forward to visiting the communities in this area and writing obout them! It will be good to see the different ideas & lifestyles in communities, as well as exchanging information.

Here on Avalon, we have recently had many dams put in - especially in our hamlet. Recently a woman - Tracey - and her 2 young daughters were going to ourchase a share here. Tracey was going to take out a loan from the Ethical Credit Union, but was knocked back because she couldn't afford to build a house that would comply with Kyogle building code, and as a dwelling on Avalon had already been demolished for similar

rons. If she had had more assets, she might have been accepted. It uch a sad loss, I would've thought single women with children would apported by the community, and given every opportunity to make a nome for themselves.

Sut such is the way of the world. In any case, I shall be writing a story on a community every neweletter, so feel free to contact me at the mimbin weighborhood centre and pass on information about your community - or contribute articles to the newsletter. Goodbye for now.

INION FOR HOMELESS WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

SICK OF BEING HOMELESS?

TIRED OF THE SAME OLD ANSWERS FROM POLITICIANS?

FED UP WITH MOVING, MOVING, NO PERMANENCY, DEPRESSED ABOUT THE FUTURE FOR YOUR KIDS?

THERE ARE ANSWERS. COME AND JOIN THE

UNION FOR HOMELESS WOMEN AND CHILDREN AT

THE LISMORE WORKERS CLUB, KEEN STREET ON

THURSDAY, 21ST JUNE AT 10.30 AM.

A HOST OF SPEAKERS HAVE BEEN INVITED, PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP. WE WILL HEAR, MORE IMPORTANTLY FROM WOMEN WHO ARE ENDURING THIS EXPERIENCE FIRST HAND A GUS IS BEING ORGANISED TO A FROM, MINGIN ON THE DAY FOR ONDONE MEEDING TRANSPORT PLEASE JOIN US, THERE'S TEA AND COFFEE - THE POSSIBLITIES ARE ENDLESS TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE DECENT LONG TERM ACCOMMODATION FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN OUR AIM IS TO PROTECT OUR KIDS: FUTURES BY ENSURING THEY HAVE THE MOST BASIC ESSENTIAL. A HOME, A ROOF OYER THEIR HEAD

Your Roving Reporter

FOR WOMEN

Meeting - 25th June 1pm. at Cawongla Community Centre. Regarding the formation of a women's co-operative whose goal it would be to purchase and re-open the Cawongla General store, at Cawongla.

Shelly Verulle

General store, at Cawongla.

Profits would then be used for the creation of a Centre where women could persue their interests in a supportive environment.

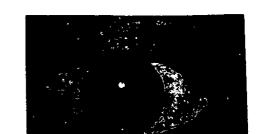
This could involve,

1) Joint ownership of tools and equipment for use in creative craft

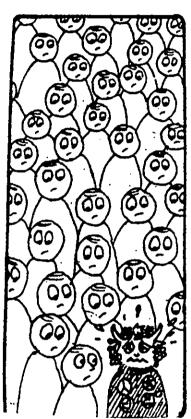
2) Creation of organic garden3) Tea house / Art /Craft outlet

4) Use of rooms for healing therapies

5) Use of facilities e.g. iron, dryer, shower
The ideas are unlimited and if you have any, or this idea
in general sounds interesting then please come to this
meeting or contact Ro on 337 124.







The Appendage Police

The Appendage Police came the other day and threatened to confiscate my hands. They said that I was writing subversive songs and anti-status-quo articles and "screw the system" poetry. They told me to straighten up and fly right because after all, they knew what was good for me and how would I like to go around with no hands to write or eat or touch with?

Later the Brain Police arrived and told me to stop having these subversive. anti-slatus-quo, "screw the system" thoughts. They offered me an all expenses paid surgical procedure that they guaranteed would help me fit in with the rest of their designer world. "Just wait," they chided, "if you don't come around you'll be sorry . . . We can readjust those little grey cells of yours and you'll be just fine."

After that the Emotion Police showed up and suggested (very strongly) that I stop caring about war and poverty and spirituality and making the world a better place. They implored me to work hard and make more money. Then they told me to stop hurting so much for what could be and accept the world for what it is. They said that they had these chemicals that I could take that would make me happy . . . all the time.

When the Sex Police pulled up, I slipped out a back window and left town.

WATCH OUT FOR CHILDREN!

SOMEDAY THEY'LL TAKE OVER THE WORLD. MANY PARENTS
PERFORM
A VALUABLE FUNCTION
SIMPLY BY GIVING
THEIR CHILDREN
SOMETHING TO
REBEL AGAINST.



PAN - COM'S SPRING FESTIVAL

This year's Spring Festival will be held in Nimbin over the weekend of September 29, 30, and the 1st of October. This is a long weekend, and, although planning is still happening, at present the format calls for an inter-community volley ball challenge match. A trophy will be presented to the winning community at a dance on the Sunday night.

Apart from the volley ball, which is being co-ordinated by Nmbngee community, many interesting activities are planned -- but more of this next issue. We have booked every dry-weather venue in Nimbin, and will have available child-minding facilities for the whole period of the Festival. The next planning meeting happens on Saturday the 23rd of June, at the Neighbourhood Centre, if you are interested, you are more than welcome to attend.

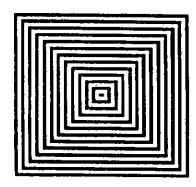
At our last meeting at Nmbngee, Ruby Shegog became a co-ordinator for the next six months. Ruby turns ten next week and is a welcome addition to the co-ordinator group.

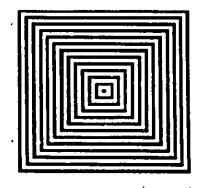
The folks at the whatt community have recently purchased a small hydro system from Rainbow Power, and Wally can be seen out in the paddock with rolls of poly pipe and a worried look on his face.

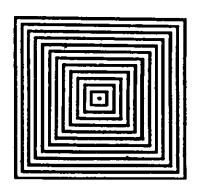
The next meeting of Pancom is at Avalon community, on the 8th July. The meeting will take place at the bamboo house, you know, the one the kyogle Council demolished, and promises to be a really great meeting. Chai and food will be supplied, but by all means bring something along to share.

Cornucopia community would like it known that the name of their community is pronounced "Corn-u-cop-ia" and not "Can-u-cope-ere.

Finally, another 'thank you' is one to the lovely folk at Rainbow Power for their generous donation for our current raffle. Buy up big folks.







August meeting - Hike will be approaching Secil Roberts to see if Pan-Com can hold it's August moeting at the Wimbin Rochs Aboriginal Community. Date will beadvised in the July issue.

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23rd, June - Gordon King 30th June | - Tony, Gibson 7th July - Hally Wallace

14th July - Judy + Pan-com news. 21st July - Mally Mallace

26th July - Harry Nevill:

Every Jaturday, Pan - com rep resentatives are at the Heigh bourhood Centre 10am - 2pm.

Co-crdinators

Present co-ordinators are Judy Lancaster, Whatt Community, Tim Hennedy, from Ferndale, Victy Toodhew from Cormicopia, like Shegog from Darjuma Community

Hew oc - ordinators are to be elected in Jeptomber (2) and December (1) 1990.

Pan - Com this formed in June 1933

CORNUCOPIA NEWS -

Late last year, residents of our community wrote to the Lismons city council with a request for a vbus shelter to be erected on Stanger and Wallaby road intersections. We were only advised that no funds were available for such a project. Not daunted, we again wrote, this fime enclosin plans and offering to construct the shelter ourselves if Council would supply materials. Cornacopia nowhas a tomite of all shelter for the bus.children. Perhaps your community could also use a bus shelter. So give it a





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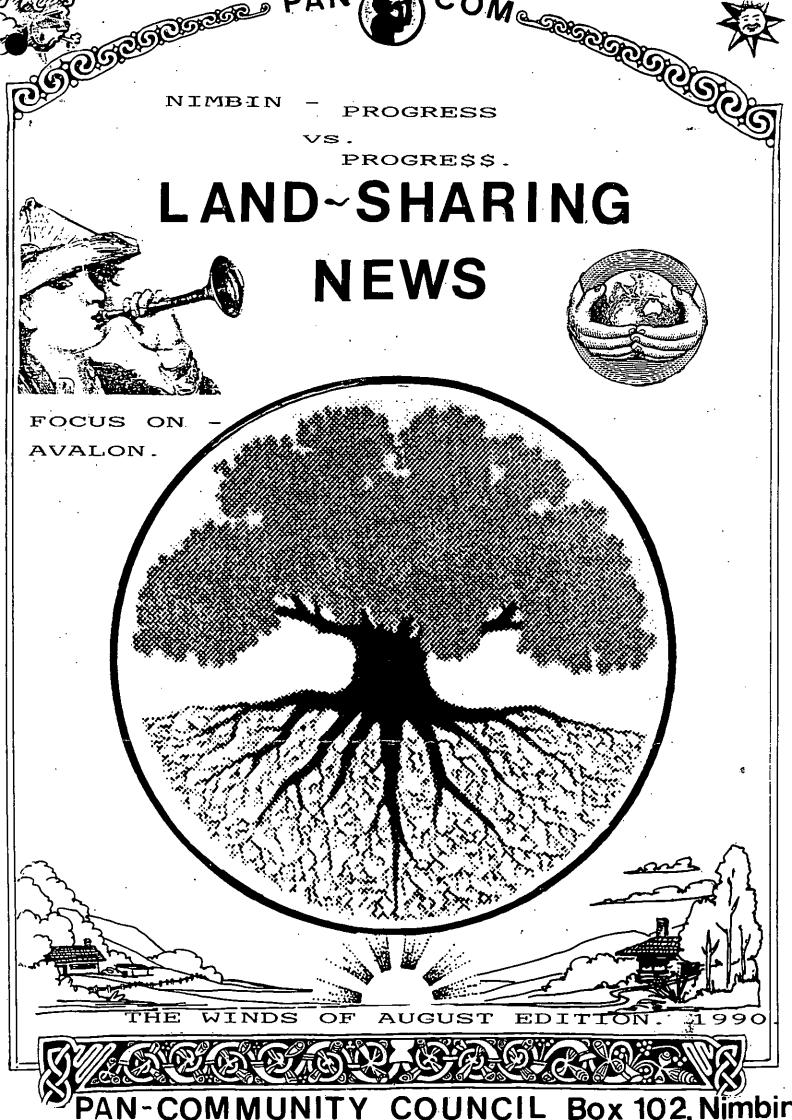
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PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES.

Protection of the natural environment Promoting social interaction between members of land-sharing communities. Fostering sustainable economic and land use initiatives.

To provide direct assistance in dealing with government bodies at all levels.

Promoting the general principles of land-sharing to local government bodies, the media, and the wider community.

To pool resources, expertise, and skill-sharing to promote the above. To act as a non-profit organisation solely to promote the philosophy of land-sharing.

NEXT MEETING.

Sunday September 2.
Whatt Community,
Hetherington Rd.,
Barker's Vale.
Call on C.B. Ch.7.
Bring food to share.



PANCOMMENT.

The last meeting was at Tuntable Falls Community, the early start and relatively long distance of travel kept attendance down. However, the Tribal Meeting which followed was worth the early start and travel. The manner in which the meeting was conducted was excellent, resolving some fairly sticky situations. The Tribal Meeting agreed to support Pan-Com, and to allow guided tours of Tuntable as part of our Spring Festival. We take this opportunity to thank the good folk of Tuntable, and to congratulate them on a very enlightened meeting procedure.

Elsewhere in this issue is a report on the latest meeting of the Nimbin and District Progress Association. This matter is one of the utmost importance to us all. An attempt is being made to politicise this organisation, and should this not be overcome, the manner in which Nimbin "progresses" may not be to your liking.

The planning for our Spring Festival is almost completed, next issue will include a full programme. Don't forget to get your team for the Volley Ball Tournament together, and registered with Nmbngee Community.

Negotiations with the Koori folk at the Rocks have enabled Pan-Com to hold our November meting at this Community. The date for this meeting will be advised, but you are urged to attend if at all possible.

Pan-Com has been invited by the Lismore City Council to provide a delegate for the Recycling Committe for the Nimbin tip. Diana Roberts of Pinpuna Community has been elected to this position, and would like any interested Pan-Com members to provide submissions or thoughts on this issue.

The Pan-Com C.B. network is well established, a full listing of channel usage will appear in the next issue. Should you have a C.B. languishing in some dark corner, get it out, dust it off, and get on air. If you don't have one --- think seriously about getting one.



The Nimbin & District Progress Association met on Thursday night last, with an all time record attendance of 85 people. The atmosphere was very tense, with a definite division evident. For those people who refuse to entertain a "them & us " attitude, it would have been very enlightening. This attitude is exhibited by "old settlers" (insert your own title) most strongly, not by "us". It was interesting to note that a current Tuntable co-ordinator has apparently joined the ranks of those people who wish to continue the hazardous burning operation at the Nimbin tip. The issue of burning versus recycling was the "hot" topic, although I had the impression that if "we" had said 'fish & chips', "they" would have said 'steak & kidney'. The attitudes displayed at this meeting absolutely disgusted quite a few folk. Here's the way I saw it;

The Environment Centre has prepared a very comprehensive submission on the subject of the hazards of tip burning, part of this submission was printed in the current issue of Nimbin News. The meeting was asked to endorse the submission, and there ensued an hour or so of debate with classics such as "If we don't burn all the bits of paper will blow all over farmers' paddocks". Three times the vote was counted, each time indicating a tied vote. Finally, a secret ballot was arranged, I happened to be standing near the door at the time.

I was astounded to hear the amiable woman from Daisey's Cafe tell someone to "go to the pub" for reinforcements.

I was even more shocked to see the proprietor of the Emporium enter the room with his hand already raised to vote "for" the burning. Subsequently, the vote was lost, only by a margin of ten votes. The noxious fumes will continue to waft over Nimbin.

The business people of Nimbin who supported this continued burning have grown prosperous off the backs of "new settlers" for many years, now it seems they have decided to cross the line. The "line" has indeed been drawn -- now the curse should be cast.

Here's a list of those businesses, my "curse" will take the form of a boycott of these shops -- you can make up your own mind as to whether your self-interest overcomes convenience.

Charter's Hardware; Nimbin Newsagent; Nimbin Emporium; Nimbin Produce; Nimbin Hotel; Daisey's Cafe.

Also, from now on, I will be supporting only those businesses who show some sign of community responsiveness, and strongly urge everybody to do likewise. Don't worry about creating a division -- it already exists.

Harry Neville.



"A demonstration? Hell no, these are the new members!"

An International conference on community responses to climate change Staged in venues linked across Australia.. April 3-8, 1991

Background. In November 1988, 8000 people participated in a network of conferences in ten of Australia's major cities. Called Greenhouse 88, the conference was a culmination of the joint CSIRO/Commission for the Future 'Greenhouse Project' which brought international acclaim to Australia and involved scientists, planners, corporate executives, politicians and government officials, teachers, students, unionists and other citizens concerned about projected impacts of climate change.

In May 1989, the Washington-based Climate Institute invited the CFF and GAA to participate in the Second World Conference on Preparing for Climate Change, to be held in Cairo in December 1989, with the view to convening the follow-on conference in Australia, A CFF/GAA delegation to Cairo presented plans for the proposed Greenhouse Action for the Nineties conference to be held in Australia during April 3-8, 1990 and was successful in securing the joint sponsorship of the Climate Institute and the support of many of the world's foremost experts on climate change issues.

Greenhouse Action for the Nineties will build on Australia's unique combination of ecological and cultural diversity, its geographical position in the South Pacific and its international responsibilities as a member of the OECD. These factors, combined with Australia's strong public education systems, scientific traditions and excellent communications services have been brought together in the design of the Greenhouse Action for the Nineties conference.

Conference structure. All cities participating in the conference will be electronically linked. Keynote speeches at each conference venue will be broadcast to other participating venues, where translations and interpreting will be made for each language group. The languages listed in the matrix below are not finalised. but subject to resources and demand.

The conference agenda will be modelled on the structures of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), covering Scientific Research, Potential Impacts and Response Strategies. The overall aim of the conference will be to promote the early promulgation of a strong Global Climate Change Convention and an active Australian involvement in the Brazil 1992 World Conference on Sustainable Development.

Youth. In conjunction with the main conference, a Greenhouse Action for the Nineties Youth Conference will be staged at each of the conference venues. This will explore a similar range of issues to the main conference, but will focus on the concerns and action priorities of the coming generation.

Arts and entertainment. As with Greenhouse 88, theatre and music will form a major component of Greenhouse Action for the Nineties. Musicians, actors, comedians and other creative artists will participate across Australia.

Expressions of Interest. Offers of sponsorship support and presentation of papers are now invited. Please address all correspondence to: GAA, PO Box 575, Carlton South, 3053.

Themes, languages and venues for Greenhouse Action for the Ninetles		
Venue	Major conference themes	Languages other than English
Melbourne	Renewable energy and recycling; manufacturing and trade	Greek, Spanish, Italian
Adelaide .	Coastal management and the built environment	German, Polish
Hobart	Ecological tourism; Antarctica	French
Sydney	Water resources and management	Arabic, Chinese, German
Canberra	International protocols; development, trade and aid	Japanese
Brisbane	Health, insurance and natural disasters	Hindi, Vietnamese
Darwin	Conservation and habitat; environmental refugees	Indonesian
Perth	Salinity, deforestation and landcare	Spanish







Lib branch has new president

The Kyogle Shire president, Cr Sheryl Johnston, is the esident of the re-formed Casino-Kyogle branch of the

president of the re-formed Cliberal Party.

Its re-formation has been announced by the regional president of the party. Dr. Brian Pezzutti. MLC.

He said that Mr David Hampson, of Kyogle, was

the secretary.
"With the help of Sheryl

Johnston and her branch, we will oust the Labor Party from the North Coast and ensure the election of a Hewson-led Liberal/ National Government." Dr

"Shery! Johnston can achieve the same success for the Liberals as she has for the people of Kyogle Shire"



CELEBRATION LIFESTYLES SUSTAINABLE 1990 OCT. 30, 1. SEPT. 29 NIMBIN,

If any community or individual is interested in having a stall would yo please let us know by writing to us or ring Mike Shegog (066) 897 321.

Information stalls will not be charged. Profit-making stalls will be charged a small fee to help defray our expenses.

There will be room for food stalls but contact us to find out what's needed.



FOCUS ON AVALON

Avalon Community began life as a real-estate developer's dream, and under the name "Ourimbah Ridges" in 1984. "Ourimbah" is Sydney Koori lingo for "initiation ground", and as such was felt to be inappropriate by the first residents. The original layout of the Community has changed dramatically from the developers model, nowadays things look less like a rural subdivision and more Tike a land-sharing Community. Avalon is a Celtic word which translates to the Isle of Apples, generally taken to be the Celts "Western Paradise". This aspect of Avalon becomes clearer when a person stands at the entrance to Avalon and looks due East,---- directly at Tuntable Falls Community. In fact, Nimbin itself lies due East from Avalon, on the Eastern side of the last ridgeline before the Tweed Valley, right on the Western border of the Nimbin bio-region. This ridge-line bisects Avalon and in old times marked two Tribal Boundaries

The main ridge on Avalon marked a trail which led from the West to the initiation areas around the Nimbin valley, travellers would make camp on the Eastern side of Webster's Creek and hunt and feast on the abundance of wildlife that once existed here. In fact, at least until the 1960's, the part of Webster's which marks Avalon's Eastern boundary was known as the best fishing creek in Northern N.S.W. Around then, someone blew the holes and destroyed the fish. Nowadays Avalon is still comparatively abundant in native fauna, inspections by National Parks has shown Koala habitat, and a number of endangered bird species. The serpentine nature of Webster's along the Eastern boundary, and the relatively large area of forest continue to provide habitat despite the degradation of the past.

The forest type on Avalon varies from wet schlerophyll to remnant rainforest, tree species include brush-box, white mahogany, bloodwood, blue gum, turpentine, smooth and rough apple gum, iron bark, and a fairly representative grouping of understorey types. Planting programmes carried out at Avalon are designed to return the rich diversity of the once magnificent forest, and to encourage the return of native fauna. This process is working, with a noticeable increase in bird and animal life in the last three years. The lease requirements at Avalon contain strict environmental conditions, and although these were "bent" in the early stages, the residents of Avalon are very serious about them nowadays.

Most folk are aware of the problems Avalon has had with the Kyogle Council, these troubles can be linked mainly to the existence of our Environmental By-laws --- they said 'Burn' --- we said 'Slash', and our problems began. Yes -- the K.S.C. was partly successful, and Yes -- Tonia's house got knocked down, and Yes -- they're still chasing us for \$12,000.00 in legal costs -- BUT: Avalon folk are united, and the Community is growing well. Tonia's house is rebuilt, in fact now there's two houses, the forest has largely recovered from the burning and it will NEVER happen again, and as for the \$12,000.00 in legal costs, well -- what can I say? Our legal advice is that the Kyogle Council hasn't got a roaches chance in the Rainbow.

The folk of Avalon are as diverse as the forest, Welsh, Dutch, Scots, German, Hungarian, Oz, our oldest is 56, our youngest 17. The skills of Avalon folk vary widely, everything from ex-Air Force electricians to Yoga Teachers. We've got chefs, naturopaths, electrians, midwives, artists, musicians (in abundance), union negotiators, world travellers -- it goes on, but enough is enough, It's fair to say that the people here are a pretty good mix. Permaculture principles underly most of the building and gardening activities, and the general intent of Avalon folk is to build an environmentally based village and to protect and enhance the natural beauties at Avalon.

There are a total of forty shares on Avalon, with thirty-one sold to date. Around twenty of our adult members are resident, with the remainder due to arrive within the next six months or so. The dream of the developers was to structure the first fully legal M.O. in N.S.W. Due to the actions of the K.S.C., this hasn't really happened as yet, there's still the question of exorbitant road levies. To give them their due, the road system at Avalon is excellent, each site has reticulated water, (despite occasional problems), and they have been extremely helpful in assisting low-income folk to buy a share. After six years, they'are getting a bit impatient to sell the last share, but thiat is understandable. I don't think that real-estate developers will rush to do it again though, and that's perhaps not such a bad thing.

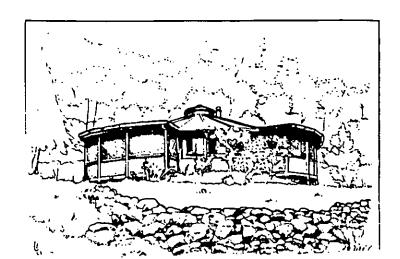
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A LETTER TO COMMUNITIES

We, white Europeans, are a dominate race. Individualy each of us contributes to inequality, in our thoughts and actions we add to inequality. The way we andemn and judge people we don't know, from different racial groups to herion user's. The way we are ignorant of people around us-ignorant of their pain. Is it natural to ignore people around us-weren't we once a tribal race?

In our lives all of us contribute to inequality. In the afternoons we all go to a home. We have access to the electricity we need. In Sri Lanka, while you turn on your lights, women walk for miles to find wood to cook with and warm their children-their water is so polluted it must be boiled before use. They are forced to strip

their native forests to survive. This is inequality.

Does any of us value what we have? While we eat healthy organic food do we think of the millions starving? None of us know what it is like to starve-some of us know hunger. How many white children do we hear of starving to death? Those few who do are outcasts of society. Forgotten by 'adults', out of sight, out of mind. What sort of a society are we who dump our children? Children, left on the streets. While more priviledged children learn science, english, and maths-they learn pain and violence. What is their future?

Forced to steal to survive, and use drugs to deal with their pain -they are labelled criminals. Then they are put into prisons and subjected to more voilence, at the hands of prison wards and fellow inmates. They too become voilent or they die. How warped can a mind be that rapes and murders? What sort of a mind does these things? A mind that is bred into a pattern of violence, tortured inside prison cells and then unleashed on society. And they know of nothing else but violence-so they kill and install fear in society.

So now we need Police. We fear each other so much, we 'need' Police to control the violence-to'uphold the Law'. So we give Police power over us-and we hope they won't abuse their power. How many Aboriginals die at the hands of Police? Does anyone know? As long as we can justify their actions they shall continue to destroy.

Imagine a cell, damp and dark. A man is in a corner, he is crying-he knows he will die. Can you feel his fear? He is bleeding and bruised. An officer comes into the cell and abuses the man, the officers words make the man feel degraded, it hurts the mans soul that someone can think of him and treat him that way. The officer beats into him, blood splashes across the wall-can you feel his pain? Can you hear his screams?

No, you can't. Instead of being in a blood soaked cell you are at home, in front of your television. You are watching a brief report on an Aboriginal man who committed suicide-he hung himself with his clothing. Do you ask how someone could do that-why they would do that?

How many politically active women are placed in lunatic asylums by the Government? Given psychiatric treatment that turns them insane, then released as walking zombies. Not so long ago all the Government had to do was get permission of one relative (not neccesarily a close one) to 'put you away'. Recently an act was passed in parliament that allows the Police to put a person in an asylum and give you treatment on suspicion of insanity. Does everyone feel safe about acting against the 'Government' now?

In Britian there have been riots over the new 'Poll tax'-a taxing system designed to squeeze every last drop of blood out of the poor. In Australia, the consumer tax is being proposed-same purpose, different method.

The majority of Australians are more worried over what brand of toothpaste they should buy, than acts passed in parliament. Though I severly doubt our convict culture would rebel against anything, aft-

er all, we do vote the Government in, don't we? Who needs a Government anyway? Nature is chaos. Creatures have lived on this earth for millions of years, and to date, we are the first beings who 'need' to choose someone to tell us what to do.

While the latest trend is to sit and ponder on the solution to our global crisis, and worry over when there will be an environmentally sound flush-toilet cleaner on the supermarket shelves- Here in our lovely Nimbin valley, there are people seriously struggling with the reality of our world.

Does the rest of the country recognize this, help these people along-make life easier for them? Or at least pat them on the back and leave them alone? of course not, after all, they are trying to undermine the 'system'.

There are people who are intent on saving our world and the insane human race. I congratulate them, and will help them in any way I can. Hooray for sanity! But I am not one of them, I think our world is too far gone to save- a species that starts killing its own kind is doomed to extinction. Its enough for me to save this area, the North coast- a place I call my home. And to know that all over the world there are pockets of people living in harmony with the earth and trying to save their homes. Self-sufficient communities, for me is the answer.

If those who fight to save our world, find that our world is lost -they shall certainly find a home with me. Perhaps they shall grow old in a new world, healing the Mother earth and her creatures. A world of harmony, where people shall add to its beauty instead of raping it. An ambitious dream, I know- but one I cling to. Perhaps if enough people believe in such a dream- and work towards it- it shall come true.

And so, to all those who live on communities, in houses with renewable energy sources, who have gardens of Permaculture design(and can afford to) - take heart and struggle on - in all the madness there are the seeds of sanity.

Love, Shelly

LISMORE DRAFT L.E.P.

Mr. Phil Denaston, Lismore Council's Executive Manager, Environment & Development Services, will be present at the Nimbin Environment Centre at 10am on Monday August 27, and has asked to hear from "alternative lifestylers" specifically.

The issues to be canvassed include;

- 1. No mention of Land-sharing (M.O.) in the Draft L.E.P.
- No environmental protection zones.
- 3. No rural tree preservation order.
- 4. No control over forestry.
- No allowance for rural dual-occupancy.

Members of Pan-Com are urged to attend this meeting most strongly.









Reuse it – don't refuse it

Recycling will play an important part in progress towards a sustainable system of using our resources. It allows us to take advantage of the substantial amounts of energy, water and raw materials embodied in used materials.

Recycling is only one strategy for using our resources more sensibly, and on its own does not provide an answer. It is the option to be taken up after

the options of conservation and reuse have been considered. Changes to consumption habits are vital if we are to use resources in a more sustainable fashion.

We have an economic and political system that relies on increasing consumption for growth and expansion. The greenhouse effect, depletion of the ozone layer, acid rain and other air pollution are warnings that we are overloading the planet's

ability to cope with the consumption habits of the developed world.

Australia does not have a good recycling record with relatively small recycling rates for many materials, and only one State having anything like a comprehensive system of beverage container recycling. The articles on these pages look at some specific situations and our options for bringing about change.



Paper Recycling

Every day hundreds of tonnes of paper are discarded around Australia, yet it is one of the easier materials to be recycled. *David Vincent* looks at the situation and suggest we should adopt different policies.

In the debate over the South-west Tasmanian forests, insufficient attention has been given to paper recycling as a means of taking pressure from our forests. At the same time as rural forests are cleared an urban forest goes to waste. Paper recycling should be adopted as part of a strategy to use of forests on a sustainable basis along with measures such as establishment of plantations, reduction of consumption, increased forest royalty rates, changes in the way forests are allocated and revision of forestry practices.

Australians annually consume around 2.4 million tonnes of paper or about 149 kg per person. About 30 per cent of this was recycled in 1983

mostly in cardboard production. By comparison, Japan recycled 48 per cent of its consumption and Thailand and Czechoslovakia recycled 47 per cent². By 1984 Japan's recycling rate had increased to 50.5 per cent³.

The United States is the world's largest consumer of paper at 267 kg per head and recycles less than Australia, so is not a good example of consumption and recycling levels. It does provide some good and innovative examples of how to increase recycling rates as waste disposal has become an enormous problem particularly in the densely populated areas of the east coast. Recycling has been adopted as a partial solution although the high level of consumption is also part of the problem.

The 1985 average cost of solid waste disposal in urban Australia was estimated at \$50-62 per tonne. Based on 1984/85 consumption figures and assuming paper recycling rates are around 30 per cent, disposal of paper not recycled cost \$84-\$104 million. If we were to recycle at the same rate as Japan we could save \$25-35 million in

waste disposal costs alone. This figure may be conservative as the same report estimated that waste disposal costs could be as high as \$75 per tonne.

There are many barriers to increased paper recycling in Australia primary of which is the structure and location of the paper industry, with most plants located in rural areas. Other barriers include low royalties for trees, transport subsidies for paper, producer preference for virgin fibre, inadequate collection systems and low tariff barriers for imported paper.

In general, paper mills are located close to their source material. Cardboard producers form the only sector of the industry using significant amounts of waste paper, approximately 550 000 tonnes in 1983/84⁵. They are located in cities where most waste paper is generated and transport costs are minimised for this bulky and relatively low value-added product. The other sectors of the paper industry: printing and writ-

ing papers; newsprint; and tissues:

18 August; Tony Gibson.

25 August; Joy Wallace.

1 September; Gordon King. 8 September; Judy Lancaster.

Land-Sharing News day.

15 September; Shelley Neville.

22 September; Judy Lancaster.

Pan-Com reps are at the N.N.C.

each Saturday: 10am-2pm.

CO_ORDINATORS:

Judy Lancaster, Tim Kennedy, Vicki Goodhew, Diana Roberts,

New Co-ordinators are to be elected in Setember & December.

$\mathbf{G}^{\mathsf{arbage}}$ disposal cost

It costs a lot to dispose of garbage, especially where available land is limited and garbage must travel increasing distances. In the US 703 kg of garbage is generated per person. Of this, 86 per cent goes into landfills and one study indicated that all but four states are running out of suitable disposal sites. Already annual collection and dumping costs per household in some US cities have risen from \$70 to \$420 in only one year (Sydney Morning Herald September 1988).

In some cases it can be worthwhile, without accounting for the wider social and environmental costs of not recycling, to subsidise recycling

as this is cheaper than disposal in landfill.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

22 August : Lismore Council Public

Meeting in Nimbin.

BRACKETS & JAM.

26 August : Kibbutz Meeting

Media Centre. A MUST.

Wally Whatt is no more, now it's Wally Two-Amp since the Hydro was installed.

The Ethical Credit Union says it does not support burning at the Nimbin Tip.

Buy some tickets in our Raffle, now there's a ticket seller's prize as well. GO FOR IT!

SEE YOU ALL AT THE FESTIVAL.





PETER HAMILTON

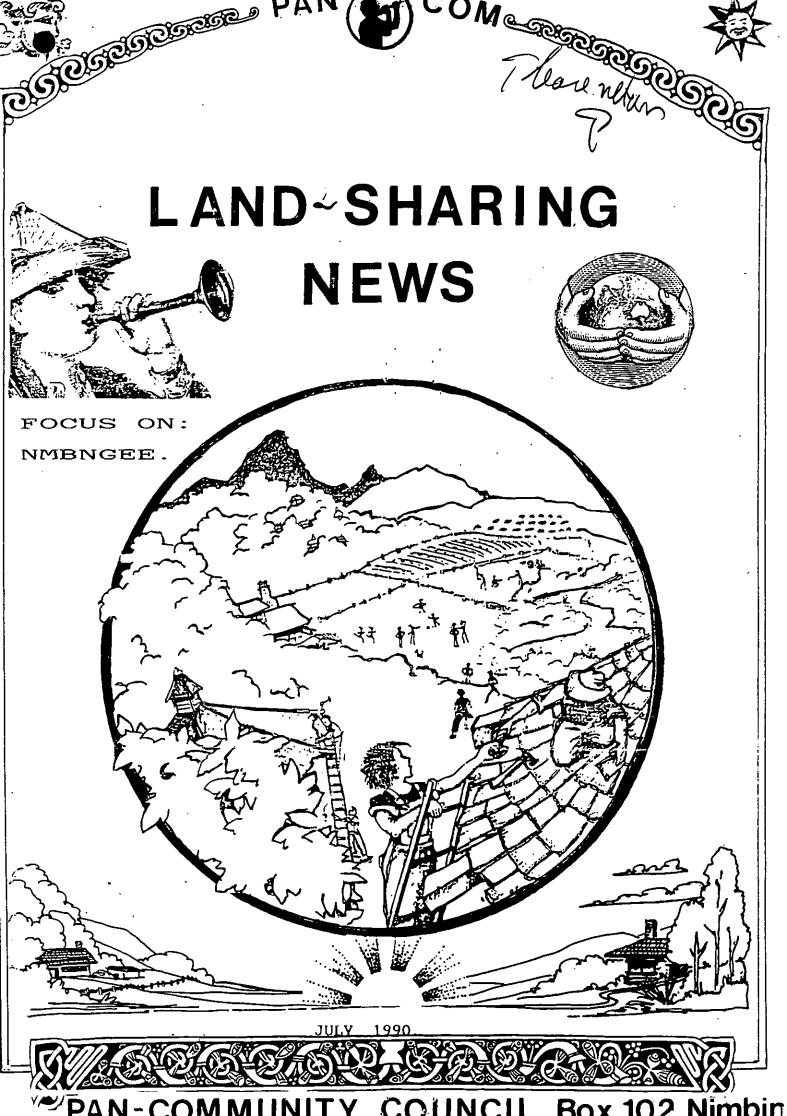
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NEXT MEETING.

Tuntable Falls Community, 9.30 am Sunday 5th August. Assemble at the Shop. Members are invited to attend the Tribal Meeting afterwards.

Bring food to share.



PANCOMMENT.

This month's meeting at Avalon was well-attended, and well catered for in the food department, and ended with music around a fire under the full moon. A full report of the Avalon meeting will appear in next month's edition. Our next meeting, in August, is at Tuntable Falls, so the wheel will have turned full circle. The whole philosophy of land-sharing began to be developed in 1973, at Tuntable. So next month provides an opportunity for something of a sentimental journey. Certainly an opportunity to meet with, and talk to some of the folk who started the wheel spinning, 17 years ago.

The Spring Festival planning is progressing well, on the volley-ball scene, Numbrage Community is offering a perpetual trophy, to be held by the winning Community. The workshops will be mostly the same subjects and content as our cycloned-out February event, with some interesting additions. A strong political interest is growing in our ranks, so some time will be allocated to things politic. The Sunday-night dance will be a rage, the food is taken care of, and all in all everyone is looking forward to a really great time.

There are so many things going on around the place at the moment, that it is difficult to pick up on any one issue. Homelessness, poverty, corruption, dope, sewerage, -- it's almost endless. Still, it's a good sign, the energy that centres in Nimbin is a growing force, many feel that this year is our best opportunity for change of a significant kind. Whatever you choose to do, however you may be active, now's the time. Don't forget that our illustrious prime minister, Mr. Hawke, will be here next month. He's making the trip to congratulate the party faithful for winning the last election for the Labor Party. Somebody should tell him how the election was really won.

Would you like to spend a balmy spring week-end at Byron Bay, with a friend? Maybe you've had enough of lazing around in the sun, and would prefer a massage, or some homeopathic cures? How about some goodies from the Rainbow Power Company? How--? Simple! Buy some tickets in our latest raffle; \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00. All proceeds to us all.



PAVING REPORTER

MMBNGEE COMMUNITY:

A community of 250 acres-78 acres of which the community purchased 8 years ago as a green belt, left to re-generation. Numbrigue is a co-operative, now 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ years old, and was formed at the same time as Tuntable. There are 46 shares on Nmbngee with 20 to 25 dwellings-people are encouraged to buy one share per person, so as to avoid problems when couples who have purchased shares together, split up.

Originally Nmbngee was in Terania shire, but later came under Kyogle shire. It took 3 to 4 years to complete Developement application negotiations with Kyogle council, due to their inconsistant policy on communities. But to date they have had reasonable dealings with the shire council-although no road levies have been paid. All houses started or completed before 1985 were exempted from road levies (in Kyogle shire), So only two households are up for road levies.

Mmbngee is also having a problem with auditors and their costly bills, as well as increasing expense and legal rigidty with co-operatives. Is your community facing similiar problems?

The community house on Ambagee was originally a wedding gift from a farmer to his son-diary included, although the farmer's son and his new

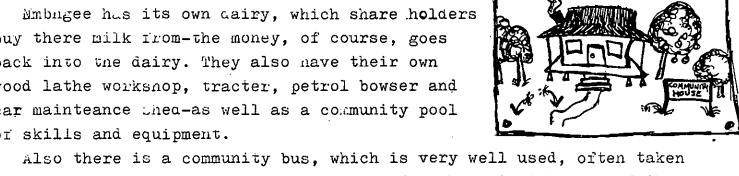


:wife only spent a week there, then moved away. The house has not been inhabited since and is now Nmbngee's renovated community house-with a kitchen, laundry (coin slot), pay phone and surrounding orchard. The house and laundry are on 240v grid, with a 12v

converter feeding an 'energy loop', which

goes to houses in poor solar sites to top up their batteries.

buy there milk from-the money, of course, goes back into the dairy. They also have their own wood lathe worksnop, tracter, petrol bowser and car mainteance thed-as well as a community pool or skills and equipment.



on roller-skating and video night trips for the entertainment of the community's children, as well as community camps and regular thursday trips for kias into Mimbin for acrobatics.

There is also the famous annual Ambngee picnic and race day - a 5 km cross country run is the main event. This started as a 'community and friends' event but eventually turned into a public affair. The new addition to the day is a home brew competition - with many volunteers for judges. This year is the picnic's 10th year - so come along and enjoy. As well there is a strong volleyball following on amongee, a bunch of good players so I'm told. To watch out for their team at this Spring festival's volleyball challenge.

Impongee began as dairy paddocks and scattered forest, which is hard to believe after 16 years of re-forestation. It was great to visit a well developed community, and Imbongee is a wonderfull place. I hope my nome and community is as well developed in 16 years time. Imbongee is on CB - channel 19, so if you wish to know more about this community or learn from their $16\frac{1}{2}$ years of experience - get in contact.

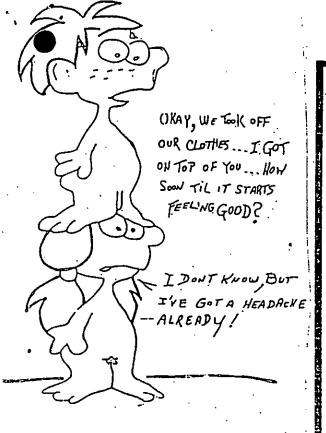
love from your raving reporter,

Shelly Neville

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COMMONGROUND COMMUNITY

is looking for new members.

Commonground is a social change community, situated on 95 acres of land near Seymour Victoria. We are six adults and four children and now ready to incorporate new members. In order to maintain a healthy ratio of adults to children, we are looking for people without dependant children.

Commonground was established by this 'assorted band of revolutionaries ' as our response to the state of the world and as our contribution to the building of a more egalitarian, just, and environmentally sustainable world. We are basically guided in our way of living and working by the principles of feminism, nonviolence, anarchy, and environmental responsibility.

Commonground is both a community who live relatively simply together under one roof, sharing our resources, our money and the raising of our children and a collective organization resourcing the social change movement.

This resourcing is done by providing a venue and a variety of supportive services to community based social change groups. Such groups include, Feace, Environment, Self help and other social action groups. We run workshops on a wide range of subjects to do with operating effectively as a group. These include collective decision making, , setting aims and objectives, managing tasks collectively, resolving conflict or whatever is concerning the particular group at the time.

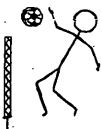
Currently we are still in the process of building. A mud brick octagon with accommodation huts has been completed and is used by groups for workshops and time out. We are now building a large building complex which will house resident members and eventually provide further workshop space and accommodation for groups. We hope to move into the first stage of this building in March 1990.

It is time now for us to expand and so we are looking for new people to join us. It is not important how much money you have just plenty of enthusiasm and a commitment to the philosophy and objectives of Commonground.

So if you are looking for a new challenge in your life as a 'revolutionary' get in touch!

Contact Glen Alderson (new member coordinator) at Commonground . P.O. Box 474, Seymour 3660, or phone (057) 922883.

FESTIVAL VOLLEYBALL





The second day of the gathering (Sun.30th. Sept) will focus (not exclusively) on volleyball, Social games will be happening all day, plus a tournament for the more competitive spirits among us. So lace up the dunlops and limber up the legs, get your team together and BE THERE

A CELEBRATION OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES

The program as it looks so far:

Saturday, September 29, 1990

Official Opening, Workshops (morning and afternoon sessions) A forum on "How to think globally and act locally"

Saturday evening will see the official launching of the Nimbin Environment Centre.

Sunday, September 30, 1990
Volleyball competition
A tour of a community
Community Forum

In the evening there will be a dance and cabaret act.

Monday, October 1, 1990 Workshops, lunch and close.

Workshop topics at this stage include: Conflict Resolution; Using the Media; Permaculture; Bureaucracies and the Law; Seedsaving; Sustainable economic systems; Organic Growing & Marketing; Sewage & Sullage Disposal Options; Bamboo; Men's Issues.

Anyone who wishes to have a stall there please contact us.

The Celebration is to be held in Nimbin. Camping will be available. Kids' activites will be happening. Bring your own food, buy your own food to prepare or buy from one of our stalls.

COST FOR THE THREE-DAY WEEKEND IS \$15 OR \$7 PER DAY.

ANTONE WHO REGISTERED AND PAID FOR THE CELEBRATION PLANNED IN MARCH WILL

THREE ENTRY.

THE DANCE AND VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION WILL COST EXTRA.

More accurate information closer to the time. Please phone Diana Roberts on (066) 4891 529 or Mike Shegog on (066) 897 321 if you have ideas or want further information.

THE KIBBUTZ EXPERIENCE

PUBLIC MEETING

Sponsored by Pan-Com & the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies

7pm, Nimbin Environment Centre, 54 Cullen St., Nimbin

SUNDAY AUGUST 19th

"Kibbutz" - the Hebrew name for a collective settlement. It is a unique rural community, a society based on mutual aid, social justice; a socio-economic system in which people share work and property; the fulfilment of the principle from each according to his/her ability, to each according to his/her needs; a home for those who have chosen it.

A representative of the Jewish community will speak on the Kibbutz experience in Israel with a focus on its ideology and the practice of Kibbutzim over the years, looking at both the positive and negative aspects. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions and to comment.

Pan-Com was approached by the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies because they were particularly interested in meeting with and talking to members of land-sharing communities. We hope you will share the evening with us.



PAN-COM RAFFLE.

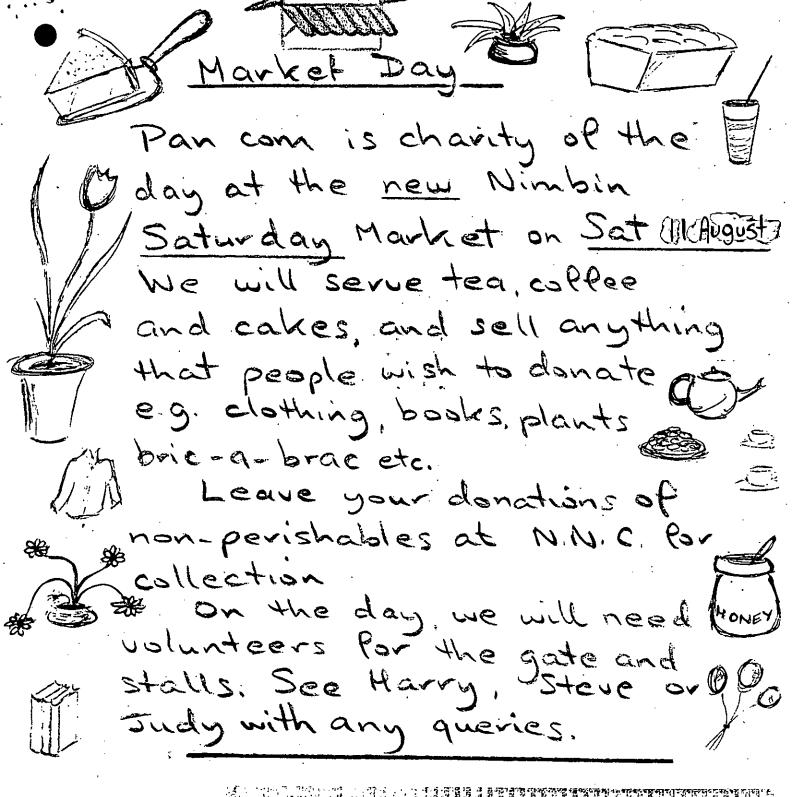
In this issue, you will find a book of tickets in our current raffle. Please ...! sell them and return cash and stubs to the Neighbourhood Centre on any Saturday morning.

Pee-Pee Board.

A call from Aine at Pinpuna to boycott Pasture Protection Board levies. Please discuss this at your next Communaity meeting.

BLUE SPRINGS.

Eighteen members of Blue Springs are installing a D.C. loop system for their energy requirements.
A case of looping the loop?



DPRING FESTIVAL
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PLEASE CUT OUT THIS FORM AND SEND IT TO: BOB TISSOTT, NMBNGEE, GHYNNES RD, LILLIAN ROCK 2480

VNC. ROSTER

August Meeting; Tuntable Falls; 5/8/90

ROSTER:

21 July - Wally Wallace. 28 July - Harry Neville.

4 August - Katrina & Scruff.

11 August - Judy (News day).

18 August - Tony Gibson.

25 August - Joy Wallace.

Every Saturday, Pan-Com reps are at the Neighbourhood Centre,10 am - 2 p

CO-ORDINATORS.

Judy Lancaster(Whatt) Tim Kennedy (Ferndale) Vicki Goodhew (Cornucopia) Ruby Shegog (Barjuma)

Contributions to LAND-SHARING news; Shelley Neville, Avalon; or post to PO box 102 Nimbin 2480.

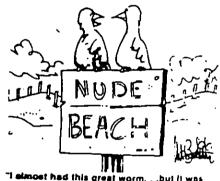


LATE NEWS

Are you interested in participating in a 'round robin' teenagers' camp. A camp for teenagers, alcohol-free, which communities would take turn to host monthly, for people 11 to 16 years of age. The host community would supply camping areas, minimal catering, and whatever extra activities they wished. An ideal opportunity to get to know your sistem.

More info; Shelley Neville, Avalon.

in an Earth-friendly lifestyle.



"I elmost had this great worm. , ,but it was stuck to some human."



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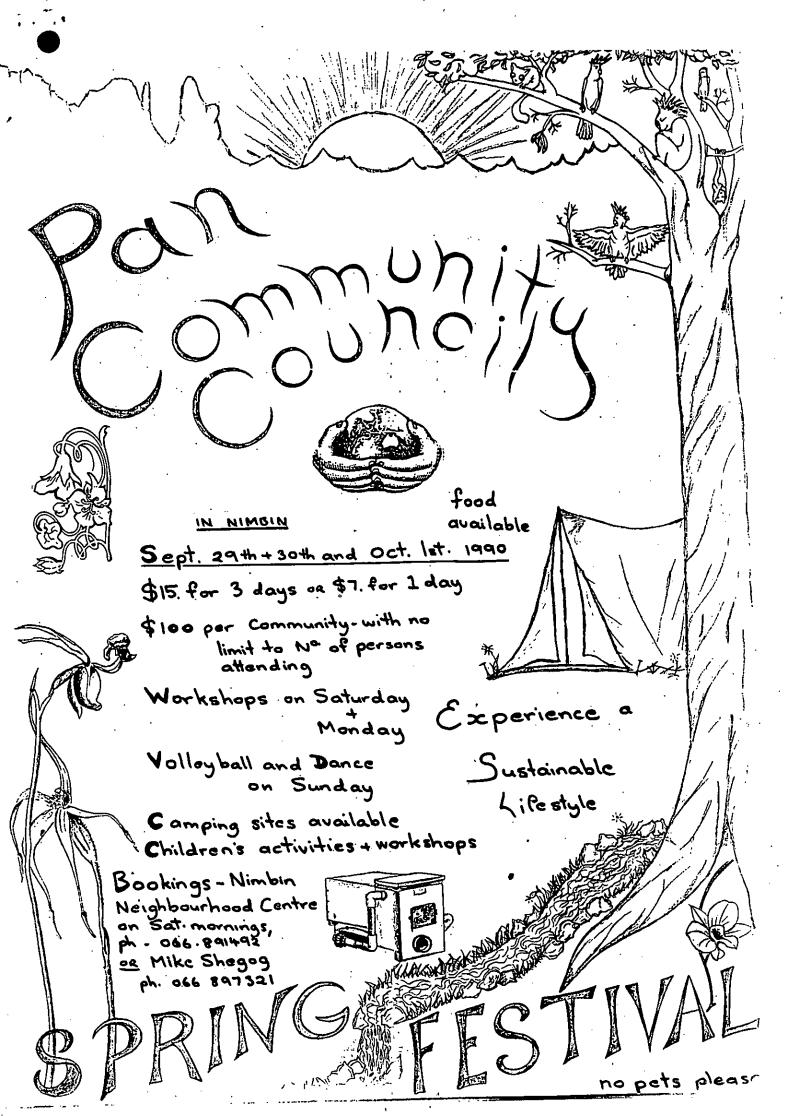


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PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S

CELEBRATION OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES NIMBIN

SATURDAY, SUNDAY & MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29 & 30, OCTOBER 1, 1990

PROGRAM

Saturday

9.00am Registration 9.30am Introductions & Housekeeping 9.45am Guest Speaker Jan Oliver - Jan was instrumental in setting up NSW's first land-sharing community, is an owner builder and long-time environmental activist. 10.30am Workshops - see over for details Lunch & Entertainment 1.00pm 2.30pm Guest Speaker Helen Caldicott - world renowned peace activist and anti-nuclear campaigner Workshops - see over for details 3.00pm

Saturday evening - "Celebrate the Spirit of Nimbin" with the Nimbin Environment Centre - an evening of story-telling and entertainment.

Sunday

5.30pm

All day there will be a volleyball competition happening. Come on your own or as part of a team.

10.00am - 2pm - a tour of Tuntable Falls Community

2.00pm - 5.00pm Community Forum - an opportunity for people to ask questions, exchange information, find out more about sustainable lifestyles. Includes presentations from Avalon, Nmbngee, Whatt, Blackhorse Creek, Tuntable Falls, Pretty Gully, Greg Reid (author of Forming a Multiple Occupancy).

5.30pm Dinner and video: Earth First

Dinner and break

Sunday evening - a dance featuring 'Um', 'Comradz', 'Whirligigs".

Monday

9.30am Workshops - see over for details

12.00 Lunch & Close

Also during the weekend:

A belly dancing workshop for women run by Janaki.

A BAMBOO workshop run by Taurayin Bamboo will run for 1 hour each day & will look at general principles for using bamboo to construct houses, sheds and pagolas with relevant design, treatment and applications with particular reference to local government regulations.

Rainbow Power Company in Nimbin's main street will be open during the Celebration so feel free to visit and ask questions about solar, hydro and other alternative energy sources.

An opportunity to connect with Nearly Normal Nimbin

WORKSHOP OPTIONS

Saturday morning, 10.30am

A choice of one of the following:

- 1. Conflict Resolution Tim Armstrong & Liz Jensen
- 2. Making Effective Use of the Media Yvette Steinhauer, freelance journalist and Phil Hurst, ABC radio current affairs.
- 3. Your legal rights as a member of a land-sharing community stamp duty legislation, hardening attitudes, looking at the continuing development process including FHOS, Community Titles, Social Security Tony Pagotto, solicitor, Dave Lambert, Rural Resettlement Task Force founder and Wally Wallace, Pan-Community Council.
- 4. Permaculture Introduction to permaculture with special relevance to land sharing communities; includes principle of permaculture, road access, water systems, food production.

 Jude & Michel Fanton, Permaculture Consultants & founders of Seedsavers.

Saturday afternoon, 3.00pm

A choice of one of the following:

- 1. How to think globally, act locally, the empowerment of a community. A political forum with input from Helen Caldicott, Mac Nicholson (Alderman and resident of a community), Kevin Childs (former local government councillor, long-time environmental and political activist), Diana Roberts (Pan-Community Council), Phil Denniston (Executive Manager Environmental & Development Services, Lismore Council).
- 2. Seeds a natural resource. A look at the need for collection and maintenance of primitive varieties of useful cultivated plants in Australia, establishment of local repositories and practical day-to-day and long-term maintenance of this kind of natural resource Jude & Michel Fanton.
- 3. Sexism & Communities a look at the climate in which sexist action and attitudes flourish. Are communities different from broader society? The consequences of sexism on men and women with emphasis on child rearing. Beatrice Bentley, resident of a community, member of the Women & Development Network of Australia, former pre-school director.
- 4. Creation of Sustainable Economic Systems including a look at ethical investment, the Local Employment Trading System and sustainable employment. Simon Clough, community resident and co-founder of the North Coast Ethical Credit Union.

Monday morning, 9.30am

- l. Appropriate Waste Treatment problems of handling human waste and options. A comparison of different strategies including composting toilets, pits, pan collection, septics. How to economise of water use. Ideas welcome. Stuart White Stuart was involved in preparing proposals to look at on-site sewerage and sullage disposal in Byron Bay and recently in Nimbin.
- 2. Talking Organic Sam Bernard, Nimbin Organic Greengrocer
- 3. An open workshop on mens' issues Stuart Anderson. Men & women welcome.

PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S CELEBRATION OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES has been organised for members of land-sharing communities, those interested in the lifestyles and other rural dwellers. The aims of the gathering are to bring together people in a stimulating, enjoyable and friendly environment and to provide participants with ideas and information.

PROGRAM

Our first draft program notification to kindred organisations and persons who may desire to attend is attached. We are not expecting any significant changes to this program.

PARTICIPATION FEE

The participation fee for the 3 days is \$15 per adult person or \$7 for one day. No charge for those under 18 years. Communities may send a participation fee of \$100 and there would be no limit to the number of their community members who can attend for all or part of the "Celebration".

PERSONS AND COMMUNITIES WHO REGISTERED AND PAID FOR THE FEBRUARY 1990 "CELEBRATION" WHICH WAS FLOODED OUT WILL RECEIVE FREE ENTRY.

FOOD

Food will be provided by members of "Avalon" Community, Nimbin, for the entire 3 days from the Nimbin hall. Food can also be purchased from many of the venues in Nimbin's main street. These include: Rainbow Cafe, Rainbow Cafe Shop, Blue Moon Chinese Takeaway, Sam's Organic Greengrocer, Espresso Bar, Daisey's Cafe, Nimbin Bakery, Freemasons Hotel, Nimbin Newsagency and Nimbin Emporium.

ACCOMMODATION

Tent camping will be available on appropriate sites at "Nimbin Central School" right in Nimbin village. Exact location of camping will depend on weather. Limited tent camping has been offered by the "Nimbin Rocks Aboriginal Community" which is situated 3km from Nimbin P.O. We suggest you specify your interest as soon as possible if you would like to camp at the Nimbin Rocks.

Tent camping for a fee would be available from the Council's "Nimbin Caravan Park", Sibley St., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 402 - BBQs, Showers, Toilets.

Motel & Hostel accommodation are available from "Nimbin Motel Abode of Peace" (4km from P.O. at Croftons Rd., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 420) and Nimbin Youth Hostel, Cullen St., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 333 (1km from P.O.). Hotel accommodation is available at Freemasons Hotel, Cullen St., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 246.

VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION

There will be no entry fee to play in the volleyball competition on Sunday. There will also be kids' volleyball games. The competition will run for the full day but there are other things planned for those who are not volleyball enthusiasts and who don't want to watch. There will be prizes for the winning teams.

KIDS' ACTIVITIES

Kids' activities are being planned for the 3 days. These will include drama workshops, volleyball, acrobatics, face painting, etc. We hope to be able to provide childcare for workshop sessions at least and maybe for other parts of the program. If you are interested in helping out with this please contact us.

SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE

A "Spring Festival" Dance has been arranged for Sunday evening and will feature "Um", "Comradz", and "Whirligigs". Fully licenced and continuous supper served. Entry fee is \$4 per person.

STALLS

Stalls are being set up under marquees. If you are interested in having a stall please let us know. There will be no charge for non-profit making organisations and \$10 for other stalls.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT DIANA ROBERTS, PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL, P.O. BOX 102, NIMBIN 2480 OR PHONE (066) 891 529 or (066) 897 321.

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PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S

CELEBRATION OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES NIMBIN

SATURDAY, SUNDAY & MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29 & 30, OCTOBER 1, 1990

PROGRAM .

<u>Saturday</u>

	OUam	Registration
	.30am	Introductions & Housekeeping
9.	45am	Guest Speaker Jan Oliver - Jan was instrumental in setting up NSW's first land-sharing community, is an owner builder and long-time environmental activist.
10).30am	Workshops - see over for details
	00pm	Lunch & Entertainment
2.	30pm	Guest Speaker Helen Caldicott - world renowned peace activist and anti-nuclear campaigner
3.	00pm	Workshops - see over for details
5.	30pm	Dinner and break

Saturday evening - "Celebrate the Spirit of Nimbin" with the Nimbin Environment Centre - an evening of story-telling and entertainment.

Sunday

All day there will be a volleyball competition happening. Come on your own or as part of a team.

10.00am - 2pm - a tour of Tuntable Falls Community

2.00pm - 5.00pm Community Forum - an opportunity for people to ask questions, exchange information, find out more about sustainable lifestyles. Includes presentations from Avalon, Nmbngee, Whatt, Blackhorse Creek, Tuntable Falls, Pretty Gully, Greg Reid (author of Forming a Multiple Occupancy).

5.30pm Dinner and video: Earth First

Sunday evening - a dance featuring 'Um', 'Comradz', 'Whirligigs".

Monday

9.30am Workshops - see over for details 12.00 Lunch & Close

Also during the weekend:

A belly dancing workshop for women run by Janaki.

A BAMBOO workshop run by Taurayin Bamboo will run for 1 hour each day & will look at general principles for using bamboo to construct houses, sheds and pagolas with relevant design, treatment and applications with particular reference to local government regulations.

Rainbow Power Company in Nimbin's main street will be open during the Celebration so feel free to visit and ask questions about solar, hydro and other alternative energy sources.

An opportunity to connect with Nearly Normal Nimbin

WORKSHOP OPTIONS

Saturday morning, 10.30am

A choice of one of the following:

- 1. Conflict Resolution Tim Armstrong & Liz Jensen
- Making Effective Use of the Media Yvette Steinhauer, freelance journalist and Phil Hurst, ABC radio current affairs.
- Your legal rights as a member of a land-sharing community stamp duty legislation, hardening attitudes, looking at the continuing development process including FHOS, Community Titles, Social Security -Tony Pagotto, solicitor, Dave Lambert, Rural Resettlement Task Force founder and Wally Wallace, Pan-Community Council.
- Permaculture Introduction to permaculture with special relevance to land sharing communities; includes principle of permaculture, road access, water systems, food production.

Jude & Michel Fanton, Permaculture Consultants & founders of Seedsavers.

Saturday afternoon, 3.00pm

A choice of one of the following:

- 1. How to think globally, act locally, the empowerment of a community. A political forum with input from Helen Caldicott, Mac Nicholson (Alderman and resident of a community), Kevin Childs (former local government councillor, long-time environmental and political activist), Diana Roberts (Pan-Community Council), Phil Denniston (Executive Manager Environmental & Development Services, Lismore Council).
- Seeds a natural resource. A look at the need for collection and 2. maintenance of primitive varieties of useful cultivated plants in Australia, establishment of local repositories and practical day-today and long-term maintenance of this kind of natural resource Jude & Michel Fanton.
- Sexism & Communities a look at the climate in which sexist action and attitudes flourish. Are communities different from broader society? The consequences of sexism on men and women with emphasis on child rearing. Beatrice Bentley, resident of a community, member of the Women & Development Network of Australia, former pre-school director.
- Creation of Sustainable Economic Systems including a look at ethical investment, the Local Employment Trading System and sustainable employment. Simon Clough, community resident and co-founder of the North Coast Ethical Credit Union.

Monday morning, 9.30am

- Appropriate Waste Treatment problems of handling human waste and options. A comparison of different strategies including composting toilets, pits, pan collection, septics. How to economise of water use. Ideas welcome. Stuart White - Stuart was involved in preparing proposals to look at on-site sewerage and sullage disposal in Byron Bay and recently in Nimbin.
- Talking Organic Sam Bernard, Nimbin Organic Greengrocer
- An open workshop on mens' issues Stuart Anderson. Men & women welcome.

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PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S CELEBRATION OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES has been organised for members of land-sharing communities, those interested in the lifestyles and other rural dwellers. The aims of the gathering are to bring together people in a stimulating, enjoyable and friendly environment and to provide participants with ideas and information.

PROGRAM

Our first draft program notification to kindred organisations and persons who may desire to attend is attached. We are not expecting any significant changes to this program.

PARTICIPATION FEE

The participation fee for the 3 days is \$15 per adult person or \$7 for one day. No charge for those under 18 years. Communities may send a participation fee of \$100 and there would be no limit to the number of their community members who can attend for all or part of the "Celebration".

PERSONS AND COMMUNITIES WHO REGISTERED AND PAID FOR THE FEBRUARY 1990 "CELEBRATION" WHICH WAS FLOODED OUT WILL RECEIVE FREE ENTRY.

FOOD

Food will be provided by members of "Avalon" Community, Nimbin, for the entire 3 days from the Nimbin hall. Food can also be purchased from many of the venues in Nimbin's main street. These include: Rainbow Cafe, Rainbow Cafe Shop, Blue Moon Chinese Takeaway, Sam's Organic Greengrocer, Espresso Bar, Daisey's Cafe, Nimbin Bakery, Freemasons Hotel, Nimbin Newsagency and Nimbin Emporium.

ACCOMMODATION

Tent camping will be available on appropriate sites at "Nimbin Central School" right in Nimbin village. Exact location of camping will depend on weather. Limited tent camping has been offered by the "Nimbin Rocks Aboriginal Community" which is situated 3km from Nimbin P.O. We suggest you specify your interest as soon as possible if you would like to camp at the Nimbin Rocks.

Tent camping for a fee would be available from the Council's "Nimbin Caravan Park", Sibley St., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 402 - BBQs, Showers, Toilets.

Motel & Hostel accommodation are available from "Nimbin Motel Abode of Peace" (4km from P.O. at Croftons Rd., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 420) and Nimbin Youth Hostel, Cullen St., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 333 (1km from P.O.). Hotel accommodation is available at Freemasons Hotel, Cullen St., Nimbin 2480 Ph. 066 891 246.

VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION

There will be no entry fee to play in the volleyball competition on Sunday. There will also be kids' volleyball games. The competition will run for the full day but there are other things planned for those who are not volleyball enthusiasts and who don't want to watch. There will be prizes for the winning teams.

KIDS' ACTIVITIES

Kids' activities are being planned for the 3 days. These will include drama workshops, volleyball, acrobatics, face painting, etc. We hope to be able to provide childcare for workshop sessions at least and maybe for other parts of the program. If you are interested in helping out with this please contact us.

SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE

A "Spring Festival" Dance has been arranged for Sunday evening and will feature "Um", "Comradz", and "Whirligigs". Fully licenced and continuous supper served. Entry fee is \$4 per person.

STALLS

Stalls are being set up under marquees. If you are interested in having a stall please let us know. There will be no charge for non-profit making organisations and \$10 for other stalls.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT DIANA ROBERTS, PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL, P.O. BOX 102, NIMBIN 2480 OR PHONE (066) 891 529 or (066) 897 321.

PERMACULTURE DESIGNER'S CERTIFICATE COURSE

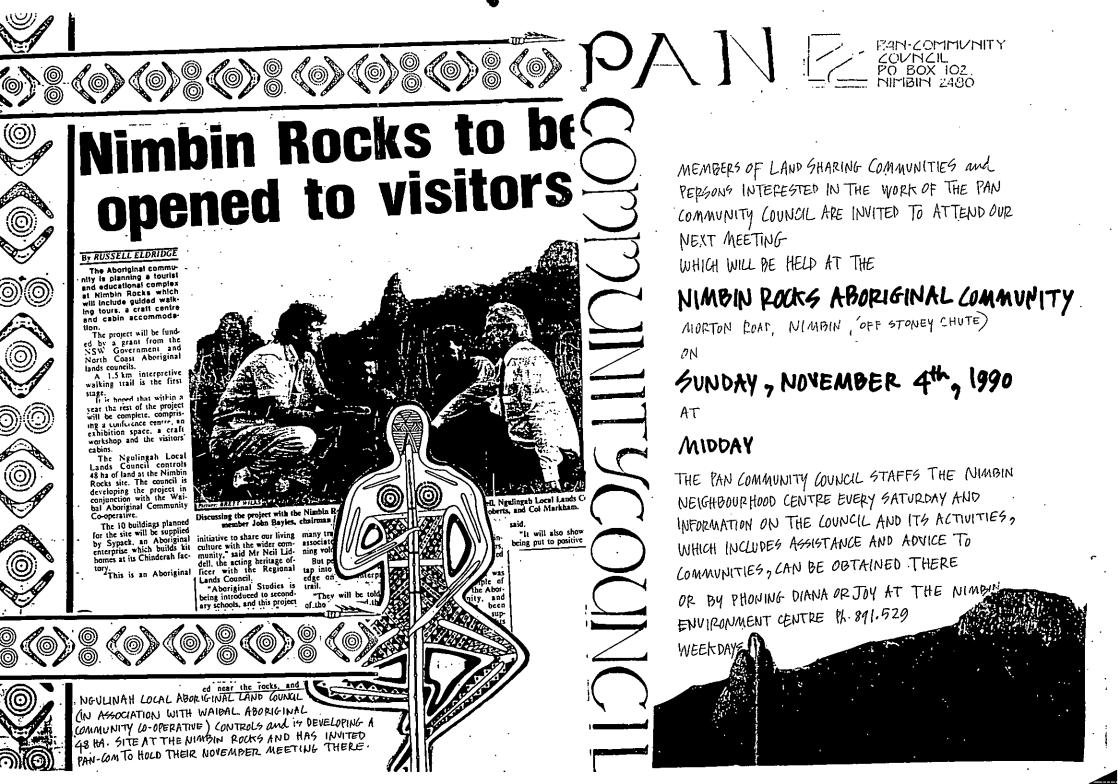
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NEXT MEETING.

AT PINDUNA COMMUNITY

(DIANA'S PLACE)

ROUCH RD (OFF STONEY CHUTE)

SUNDAY 24TH FEB ^{2G}1

2 P. M.

BRING ALONG YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS & SOME FOOD
TO SHARE (MORE DETAILS
BELOW)



PANCOMMENT.

POLITICALLY, CAN SOMETHING BE DONE ABOUT THE ACCEPTANCE OF MULTIPLE OCCUPANCIES IN THIS REGION?

DON'T WE NEED ACCEPTANCE TO BE SEEN AS A VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO:

- SUBURBIA?
- CURRENT LAND USAGE?
- EXPENSIVE, WASTEFUL STRUCTURES?
- 25 (OR MORE) YEAR MORTGAGE?
- THE "NORMAL" CHOICE OF LIFESTYLE?

AREN'T WE STILL SEEN AS THOSE STRANGE PEOPLE WITH UNUSUAL HABITS, NON-CONFORMISTS, AND "WHY WOULD ANYONE WANT TO LIVE LIKE THAT".

STRANGE PERCEPTIONS

CAN WE HELP TO BREAK DOWN THESE BARRIERS AND GAIN SOME CHANGES TO THE LEGISLATIONS THAT HINDER US?

NEVILLE NEWELL, FEDERAL MEMBER FOR RICHMOND, JANELLE SAFFIN, LAPOR CANDIDATE FOR THE SEAT OF LISMORE (IN THE COMING STATE ELECTION) AND RICHARD JONES, N.S.W. UPPER HOUSE MEMBER, HAVE ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO COME TO OUR NEXT PAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING. and HARRY WOODS, FEDERAL MEMBER

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR NEVILLE, JANELLE AND RICHARD TO APPREC. OF FREE LATE OUR LIFESTYLE; AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO BREAK DOWN THE BARRIERS AND TO SHOW THEM OUR ACHIEVEMENTS; A TIME TO DICUSS THE CHANGES THAT ARE NEEDED TO ENABLE MULTIPLE OCCUPANCIES TO FLOURISH.

THE PEOPLE OF PINPUNA HAVE AGREED TO HOST THIS MEETING. WE WILL GATHER AT DIANA'S HOUSE, TALK AND ENJOY A CUPPA', SHARE A PLATE OF HOME-MADE GOODIES AND THEN HAVE A LOOK AT A FEW OTHER ABODES.

Joy Wallace



·NIMBIN WASTEBUSTERS - recyling in Nimbin.

1990 saw the formation of NIMBIN WASTEBUSTERS, a group set up to investigate ways of providing a recycling depot at the Nimbin tip. Initially this group comprised of a representative from each of 6 Nimbin community organisations (including Pan-Community Council). This group has now been expanded and consists of 20 or so volunteers committed to the concepts of reducing, reusing,

reprocessing and recycling wastes, and wanting to actively help establish a Nimbin recycling depot. Some members of this group have been meeting weekly at the Nimbin tip, to help Charlie Soward who currently has the scavenging rights sort out recyclables and, to discuss the future operation of a recycling depot. To date the group has selected an area for a depot, drawn up plans for the site, arranged for Council to fence, level and gravel it, and designed signs to be erected. In addition, submissions for funding have been written to Lismore Council (who refused funding this year) and to the Federal Government's Greenhouse Grants Scheme.

Whilst plans for the operation of the depot are far from finalised the group plans to collect sorted and cleaned plastic, cardboard and paper, glass, steel, tin, aluminium and other things. People will have to pay to leave unsorted garbage and unrecyclables which will be taken to Wyrallah Rd., Lismore. Wastebusters have agreed they will not sort people's rubbish. As the Nimbin tip is to be closed this year no other refuse disposal site will be available in Nimbin for those who currently use the Nimbin tip. People who live on communities and other rural dwellers will have the choice of either using the recycling depot or paying to dump rubbish at Lismore. Nimbin Wastebusters are also looking into ways of educating tip users.

If you would like to help Nimbin Wastebusters in any way, especially staffing the depot, please contact the group at the Nimbin Environment Centre, Ph. (066) 891 529 (54 Cullen St.) or go out to the existing tip on Friday mornings.

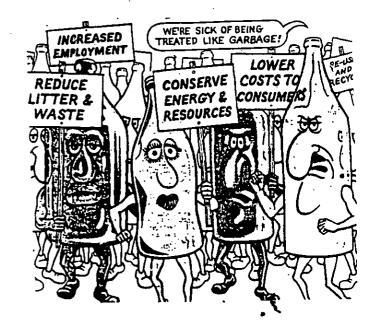
We believe that for optimum recycling to occur in Nimbin the depot needs to be managed by environmentally aware people who are not primarily profit motivated. The most likely way to achieve this is through a community managed project. For this to be successful we need the active support of the entire community.

Diana Roberts Pan-Com's Wastebuster representative.

LATE NEWS

WE ARE NOW ABLE TO RECYCLE
HARD PLASTIC CONTRINERS I.E. JUICE,
MILK, SHAMPOC, YOCHURT, MARCHRINE,
ICE-CREAM CUPS ETC., AS WELL AS
BROKEN KITCHEN/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.
PLEASE CLEAN FIRST AND LEAVE AT
THE SIGN-POSTED SPOT AT THE
NIMBIN TIP.

THESE ITEMS REPRESENT A HIGH PROPORTION. OF RUBBISH DUMPED AND ARE TOXIC WHEN BURNT!



Well, thats Just Rubbish!

OR IS IT ANOTHER ARTICLE ABOUT THINKING WHEN BUYING. IWONDER HOW MANY MORE ARTICLES WE HAVE TO READ BEFORE WE REALLY DO THINK ABOUT HOW WE GET AND THEN

DISPOSE OF OUR RUBBISH.

WHEN SHOPPING FOR ANYTHING WE MUST ASK OURSELVES? IS THIS WHOLE ITEM I AM ABOUT TO BUY GOING TO BE USED? - NOT JUST THE CONTENTS BUT THE PACKAGING TOO. IF YOU CAN'T ANSWER, YES, THEN LOOK FOR AN ALTERNATIVE OR GC WITHOUT. IT'S NOT AS HARD AS YOU MIGHT IMAGINE TO CHANGE YOUR PREFERENCES IN ORDER TO SUPPORT RATHER THAN ABUSE THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

SUGGESTIONS: - USE BUTTER IN PAPER INSTEAD OF MARGARINE IN PLASTIC, OR IF YOU ARE A VEGAN LIKE MYSELF, USE TAHINI INSTEAD OF BOTH, IT COMES IN RE-CYCLEABLE GLASS.

- BUY YOUR BREAD IN PAPER AND SLICE IT YOURSELF OR BETTER STILL MAKE YOUR OWN, AND BISCUITS.
- CHEESES CAN BE BOUGHT IN CLOTH ALTHOUGH NOT NON-ANIMAL RENNET CHEESE
- TRY USING WATER INSTEAD OF TOILET PAPER, SOME OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS DO THIS. IT SAVES TREES.

USE CARDBOARD BOXES AND CLOTH BAGS (I KNOW MOST OF US DO ALREADY). AND DON'T LET CHECKOUT CASHIERS PRESS YOU INTO USING THEIR PLASTIC BAGS. EXPLAIN WITY YOU DON'T WANT TO AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO PASS THE MESSAGE ON TO OTHER CUSTOMERS.

- USE A GLASS FLAGON TO BRING HOME YOUR BULK DETERGENT, DON'T KEEP BUYING MORE PLASTIC BOTTLES.

- WRAP PRESENTS IN RECYCLEABLE CLOTH SO YOU DON'T GO BUYING WRAPPINGS

- DON'T USE PLASTIC CROCKERY FOR LITTLE CHILDREN. YOU DON'T NEED IT, STONEWARE IS VERY TOUGH. OUR HOUSEHOLD HAS DONE THIS FOR SOME TIME WITH VERY LITTLE BREAKAGE.

ANOTHER PROBLEM CAN BE - EXCESS PACKAGING. WHAT TO DO - LEAVE IT BEHING IN THE SHOP AND LET THE SHOPKEEPERS DEAL WITH IT. I DO THIS MYSELF AND EXPLAIN WHY. . HOPEFULLY IT WILL BE SUCH A HASSLE FOR THEM THAT THEY WILL PRESS THE MANUFACTURERS TO CUT DOWN ON THEIR PACKAGING.

- \$9.... WHAT DOES WHATT COMMUNITY DO WITH IT'S RUBBISH? WHATT RUBBISH? OF COURSE THERE IS ALWAYS SOMETHING TO DISPOSE OF EVEN WHEN YOU ARE CAREFULL WITH YOUR BUYING.
 - ORGANIC MATTER BECOMES COMPOST.
 - OLD CLOTHING, TOWELS, ETC. BECOME MULCH (A GOOD REASON TO BUY COTTON ONLY).
 - CARDBOARD BOXES BECOME TOYS + STORAGE BOXES UNTILL THEY FALL APART THEN MULCH.
 - EXCESS AND BROKEN GLASS IS STORED FOR RECYCLING.
 - PAPER IS USED AND USED AND USED, EVERY SCRAP, FOR EVERYTHING AND ANYTHING UNTILL IT GOES INTO THE WOOD BOX TO START THE FIRE. EXCESS SCRAPS AND NEWSPAPER-HULCH.
 - WOOD SCRAPS BECOME FIREWOOD, GARDEN EDGINGS, STAKES, TRELLISING THEY FULCH.
 - BROKEN CROCKERY IS STORED FOR USING IN DRAINS INSTEAD OF STONES, AND MOSSAICS.
 - _ TINS ARE NOT ON OUR SHOPPING LIST BUT IF WE DO OBTAIN SOME THEN THEY ARE USED FOR
 - STORAGE OF HARDWARE ITEMS (NAILS SCREWS ETC.), POTS FOR TREES, CANDLE TORCHES. PLASTIC CONTAINERS ARE IN THE SAME CATAGORY AS TINS BUT THEY STILL SLIP INTO OUR HOUSEHOLD. MARGARINE CONTAINERS ARE EXCELLENT FOR PUTTING UNDER POTTED PLANTS TO CATCH AND THEREFORE CONSERVE WATER. THEY MAKE GOOD BATH AND SANDPIT TOYS, EVEN BETTER THAN TINS FOR NAILS ETC. AS THEY STACK WELL, PUT HOLES IN THE BOTTOM AND USE AS SEEDLING TRAYS. THE LIDS CAN BE CUT UP FOR MAKING PLANT LABELS.

ALL OF OUR NON RECYCLEABLE PLASTIC GOES ONTO OUR 'TIP' WHICH WE'VE BEEN USING FOR THREE YEARS NOW. IT IS SITUATED AT THE BASE OF A BLUE GUM AND SO ACTS AS MULCH. AS THERE IS NO ORGANIC MATTER IN THE PILE, IT'S NOT DISTURBED BY ANIMALS AND DOES NOT SMELL. IT IS NOT COVERED AS PLASTIC DECOMPOSES FASTER WHEN EXPOSED TO THE ELEMENTS. IT IS ALSO OUT OF SIGHT. Judy Longarian

Think Global



Act Local

THIS IS A REMINDER THAT SEPTEMBER IS COUNCIL ELECTION TIME. GOVERNMENT IS A LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT WHERE WE CAN GET TRUE REPRESENTATION THAT AFFECTS OUR LOCAL AREA AND OUR COMMUNITIES.

THINK SERIOUSLY ABOUT OR GIVE CONSIDERATION TO, ENROLLING, IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY ON THE ROLL.

IT IS LIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE OUITE A FEW ALTERNATIVE REPRESENT-ATIVES STANDING IN THE LISMORE, KYOGLE AND OTHER COUNCIL AREAS.

SO - DON'T ENCOURAGE THE BASTARDS

LET'S - VOTE THEM GUT.

How Green is My Pollie?

WITH all the candidates scrambling to establish their "green" bona fides , the perplexed voter may find the following check list of some help in the forthcoming elections.

1. Did your candidate come out for green politics before:

(a) Peter Garrett	•	(20 pts)
(b) Sen G. Richardson		(15)
(c) Bob Hawke		(3)
(d) Robin Gray		(2)
(e) Mike Ahern		(1)
(f) Huw Morgan		(Nil)

2. In your candidate's bathroom would you find:

(a) Sorbent Super-Soft Pastel (0)(5) (b) unbleached toilet paper

(c) last year's policy direction statement on a nail (10)

3. In the cistern of your candidate's toilet would you find:

(a) a dual-flush mechanism (10)(15)(c) home made clay brick

4. In your candidate's kitchen would you find: (a) Mortein Pressure-Pac

(5)(b) a fly swat

(c) a determination to share the finite kitchen environment with the flies in a mutually understanding manner (10)

(0)

5. How does your candidate commute? (a) V8 Dodge Phoenix

(5) (b) car pool (10)(c) public transport (15)(d) bicycle (20)

6. If you can collar your candidate on a meet-the-people supermarket walk try her/him with the following word association tests.

(I) "Sting" (a) Amazonian rainforests (b) Paul Newman & Robert Redford (5) (c) Aerogard

(II) "Chips" (10)(a) Harris Daishowa (5)(b) fish/40,000 Horsemen (0)(c) silicon

How does your candidate rate?

Pea Green, i.e. artificially coloured and fla-Less than 50 Sea Green, getting there but still some . 50 - 120 effluent outfall Jungle Green: You can safely leave the More than 120 environment in the hands of this candidate (andget back to worrying about the economy). -

ROGER RAFTERY

council seeks community's

A questionnaire seeking community views of council services and facilities will be sent to Kyogle Shire ratepayers with their rate notices today.

The survey aims to assist the council in reviewing

priorities for works and services for this year.

The Kyogle shire clerk, Mr Phillip Thew, said the questionnaire would ask people their opinions on the quality of services already provided and how they feel the council could best spend available fund. council could best spend available funds.

Mr Thew said the survey would assist the council in making adjustments to its six-year financial management

plan.

He said an information brochure on the 1991 financial year and the 1990 annual report, which would be sent with rate notices, would help people answer the question-

The survey forms also will be left at various locations in the Kyogle Shire so non-ratepayers can give their response," Mr Thew said.

"Names will not have to be a second of the said.

Names will not have to be put on the forms and results will be confidential, with only the collective results published.

Topics in the survey include transport, tourism and industry, sporting and recreation activities, community facilities, health services and rate increases.

Questionnaires should be returned to the council office

by February 18.



(a) I THINK WE ALL SHARE A GNOERN FOR THE ENVIR-ONHENT OF COURSE ... (b) BUT WE CAN'T IGNOSE THE LEGITIHATE CLAWS OF DEVELIERS



Libera

The Liberal Party has formed a Page Federal Electorate Conference following a meeting at Yamba on Thursday night.

Representatives of the five established Liberal Party branches in the Page electorate met for the first time, electing Mr Erl Calver, of Broadwater, as president of the conference.

Mr Chris Clare, the Ballina branch president, and Cr Sheryl Johnson, the Casino branch president. were elected conference vice-presidents.

Mr Calver said that with growing numbers of Liberal Party members on the North Coast, the challenge had to be met to field a candidate in what now was a swinging seat in Page. He said the Liberal Par-

ty would be looking to the pre-selection of a candidate by the middle of 1991.

Green House View

MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY DWELLERS ALREADY KNOW THEIR LIFESTYLE IS THE BEST CHOICE FOR AUSTRALIA. THE ECONOMIC RECESSION PRESENTLY BESETTING THE NATION CAN BE BLAMED SQUARELY ON CONTINUING EFFORTS BY CONSERVATIVE POLITICIANS TO DENY FREEDOM OF CHOICE IN HOUSING AND LIFESTYLE. IN N.S.W. SUBURBANITES SPEND 42% OF THEIR INCOME ON HOUSING. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FARMING INDUSTRY HAVE ESTIMATED THAT 15 BILLION IS SPENT ON HOUSING AND 5 BILLION OF THIS IS MONEY GAMBLED ON RISING PRICES, THAT IS, SPECULATION. THIS MEANS PROFIT AT THE NATION'S EXPENSE. REAL ESTATE GROUPS HAVE ESTIMATED THAT HOUSING ON THE NORTH COAST RISES IN VALUE AT 21% EVERY YEAR. APART FROM THE PROFITEERS DOES ANY ONE ELSE BENEFIT FROM THIS? DOES ANY CLEAR THINKING PERSON WANT IT? WHO WANTS TO PAY 42% OF THEIR WAGE ON HOUSING JUST BECAUSE THEY LIVE IN GRIENER'S STATE. WHO WANTSTO PRICE THEMSELVES OUT OF A JOB BECAUSE HOUSING IS SO EXPENSIVE?

THE NEED FOR THE INEXPENSIVE LAND AND HOUSE SUPPLIED BY MULTIPLE OCCUPAN-CIES IS GREATER NOW THAN IT EVER WAS IN THE PAST. HIGHLY ORGANISED DEBT -PEDDLERS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMPOSED OF REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND LAND DEVELOPERS ARE BLEEDING AUSTRALIANS DRY BY CONTROLLING HOUSING CHOICE. BY RESTRICTING THE AMOUNT OF RESIDENTIAL LAND, BY LOANING ONLY ON THE BRICK VENEER, BY IMPOSING EXPENSIVE AND OUTDATED SEWERAGE AND WATER SERVICES OF LIMITED SUPPLY THEY CREATE DEMAND FOR MONEY AND JACK UP PRICES AND INTEREST RATES. AND WHEN AUSTRALAINS CANNOT PAY THEY SELL OUT TO OVERSEAS INTERESTS.

WHY HAVE MULTIPLE OCCUPANCIES ALWAYS BEEN OPPOSED AND ACTIVELY DISCOURAGED,? BECAUSE THE CONVENTIONAL HOUSING MARKET WITH IT'S MASSIVE SPECULATION AND ECONOMIC DESTRUCTION AND IT'S PARASITIC POLITICAL GROUPS WOULD COLLAPSE. SO TO PROP UP THIS SYSTEM LIFE IS MADE FUTURELESS AND UNBEARABLE FOR THE ORDINARY MASS OF PEOPLE IN AUSTRALIA. POVERTY, SUICILAL YOUTH, DESPERATE ESCAPE BEHAVIOUR INTO DRUGS, GAMBLING, SALVATIONALIST RELIGIONS ALL STEM FROM A LACK OF CHOICE FOR HOUSING.

IN THE EARLY DAYS WHEN THE CONSERVATIVES HAD THEIR HANDS DRIPPING WITH THE BLOOD OF VIETNAM, PEOPLE DID NOT WAIT FOR PERMISSION TO START MULTIPLE OCCUPANCIES. TODAY THE VIOLENCE IS MORE INSIDIOUS WITH PEOPLE BEING BLED TO DEATH SLOWLY THROUGH GREED INDUCED ECCNOMIC RECESSION INSTEAD OF BEING CONSCRIPTED FOR RITUAL SLAUGHTER AND THE NECESSITY FOR ACTION EVEN MORE PRESSING.

THE POPULATION OF THE NORTH COAST IS ESTIMATED TO DOUBLE IN THE NEXT TWENTY YEARS. THE LAND SPECULATORS MUST BE DROGLING IN ANTICIPATION. AT 21% THE HOUSE WORTH \$100,000 DOUBLES EVERY FOUR YEARS. IN TWENTY YEARS THE CHILD BORN TODAY WILL BE PAYING \$3 MILLION FOR A HOME. WITH A TWENTY YEAR MORTGAGE THIS WILL NEED \$8 MILLION OR AN INCOME OF \$600,000 A YEAR PAYING 40% OF THE WAGE. ONLY \$250 per Hour. NOBODY WANTS THIS. NO-ONE WILL BE EMPLOYED AT \$250 PER HOUR.

THIS INSANITY MUST STOP. THE MAJORITY REJECTS IT. IN A DEMOCRACY THE MAJORITY RULES. ENROL AND VOTE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS FOR CAMDIDATES WHO WILL FIGHT FOR FREEDOM OF CHOICE AND MULTIPLE OCCUPANCIES.

TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR FUTURE! JAMES HILL - LISMORE GREEN ALLIANCE





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GREENHOUSE EFFECT

· The greenhouse effect was a consequence of the failure of the economic market to provide what consumers wanted, according to the executive director of the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics (ABARE).

Dr Brian Fisher said the market failed because everybody shared the collective resource (the atmosphere) and nobody had the incentive to maintain it at any particular level of operational efficiency.

"The effective property right structure over the atmospheric resource at present is such that it

will continue to be exploited at levels beyond those which would be chosen if the full cost impact were felt by users.

> Gathering for Peace will meet each Thursday evening at 5.30 near the War Memorial in Molesworth Street, All . people interested in working towards a peaceful resolution of the Gulf conflict are welcome to attend. inquiries phone Jyllie Jackson on 21 3452 or 21 8700.



HSW FARMERS & GRAZIERS KERIN APPOINTS NEW BOARD

The Minister for Primary Industries and Energy, John Kerin, recently announced the appointment of the board of directors of the new Land and Water Resources Research and Development Corporation (LWRRDC).

The new corporation will provide leadership in research and development involving land, water and related non-commercial forestry and vegetation issues through its responsibility for co-ordination and funding of these activities. ·

०वः विष० The corporation was formally established on July 3,7 1990. The six directors on the board are Ms Lyn Allen, who has worked extensively on ecological issues; Dr Angela Arthington, associate professor at Griffith University; Mr Don Blackmore, chief executive of the Murray-Darling Basin Commission; Dr Peter Chudleigh, an agricultural consultant; Mr Don Dyer. chairman board member of a number of businesses: Dr Diana Day, senior policy analyst with the NSW Department of Water Resources.

Shire accused of reckless weed spraying

The Bonalbo and District Development Association has accused the Kyogle Shire Council of adopting an irresponsible policy of 'reckless' and 'overly generous' chemical spraying in the township.

Discussion: paper released

The Minister for Water Rescoures and Member for Clarence, Mr Ian Causley, has released a Department of Water Resources discussion paper describing the effects of poorly controlled river quarrying.

Mr Causley also has warned of the inevitable loss of rich agricultural soil and poor water quality on streams on the North and South coasts without proper river sand and gravel quarrying management.

Mr Causley and the department want the river: sand and gravel extraction industry to be able to continue operations while protecting the habitat of water animals and plants.

"For wildlife habitat, water for homes, agriculture and industry as well as recreation, water is a vital 😕 natural resource and must be treated with care," he

Mr Causley said deci-sions affecting waterways had to all factors into account: environmental, industrial, aesthetic.

He said said a balanced and fair approach was needed to arrive at a workable conclusion.

To gain that overall perspective the Department of Water Resources has invited individuals, groups and & industry to comment on the a

discussion paper.
A series of public meet-A series of public meet- § ings are planned for later § this year, when submissions of to the paper will be consid-

The discussion paper is available at most shire and municipal offices and at the Department of Water Resources offices.

The association claims the council is not taking community concern over 'poor methods' of spraying seriously, particularly in an area where children and the elderly suffer asthma or other allergies to chemicals. Shire engineer Mr Fat-

Safe engineer of Patrick Knight, however, has defended the council's policy on Roundup spraying, saying it was safe, appropriate and more conomically viable than labour-intensive weed con-

In September, the associ-ation wrote to the council about an alleged incident involving two council em-ployees spraying weeds with herbicide at Bonalbo on August 27. . . The letter read: "They

(the employees) were seen to be spraying the chemical at each other's feet in a playful mood.

The amount of spray being applied was equiva-lent to a full stream of water from a hose turned on

They didn't wear any rotective clothing, they didn't show any concern for the public in the area and they were applying this chemical in an irresponsible

manner.
"The association wants to know how this type of 'event' can take place today in the 1990s with so much reporting on chemical mis-

"We want to know why these men were so obviously little trained in the handling and use of chemi-

The letter called on the council to institute more stringent controls on chemical spraying. It also de-manded more information on the types of chemicals used, and why, where and when they were used.

The shire clerk, Mr Phillip Thew, wrote to the



spraying Roundup on various areas in Bonalbo on August 27.

The second and last paragraph of his letter read:

The employees have been interviewed and deny any activity that you mentioned and realise how dangerous chemicals may be to their health if due care is not

taken."
The association early last month sent another letter to the council expressing an-noyance at the council's 'off-hand reply to very dangerous infringements on safety in our community.

Mr Knight said the council decided at its meeting this week for its staff to make a more detailed response to the association's second letter.

But Mr Knight doubted

whether it would satisfactorily answer all questions written from what he be-lieved was a philosophical stance totally against chem-

ical spraying.
"Bonalbo is a rural area. and I believe most residents would use the non-toxic Roundup on their proper-ties and would be quite comfortable about its use.

he said.
"However, the council will in future write to the association informing it of general areas which are to be sprayed, but notification The shire clerk. Mr of timetabling would be almost impossible because it is a local decision taken by and confirmed council employees were engaged in go on seasonal conditions.

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