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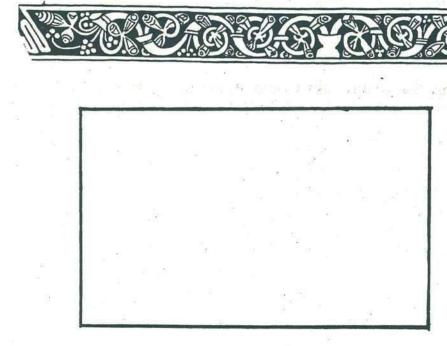
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Lismore City Council P.O. Box 23A, Lismore, 2480

Pan Community Council P.O. Box 102, Nimbin, 2480.

Pan Community Council is an organisation concerned with the development and sustainability of Multiple Occupancies in the Tweed, Kyogle and Lismore Shires. The obvious housing problems that arise for the young people of these local areas is immeasurable.

The Lilyseed project is in line with the Alternative Lifestyles practiced by Multiple Occupancy dwellers and therefore is a most appropriate proposal, designed not only to house these young people, but to teach them a new range of skills needed to be involved in the organisation and sustainability of the Co-operative, being committed to the legal and financial aspects of the same and the use and maintenance of environmentally designed dwellings.

This organisation is in full support of the Lilyseed project and wishes to see it implemented as soon as possible.

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yours Sincerely

Judy Lancaster, Secretary.

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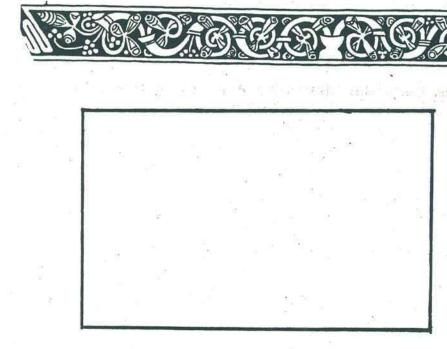
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Area Assistance Scheme Funding for 1994

The Area Assistance Scheme provides a range of funding to community groups for small capital projects as well as for salaries and operating costs for community services which address local needs.

Eligible services include: children's and youth facilities and services, community development, health, cultural, sport and recreational activities.

In the last round of applications, nine organisations received funding totalling \$57,528. There is every indication that an increase in funds will be available through the Area Assistance Scheme for projects in Lismore in 1994.

Subject to the approval of the State Government, application forms will be available from March 28 and submissions should be completed by April 29, 1994.

A number of information sessions will be held around Lismore to provide people with information about the Area Assistance Scheme and to assist people with the preparation of their submissions. The meetings will be:

Monday March 21
Tuesday March 22
Tuesday March 23
To 30 pm - 9.30 pm
To 30 pm - 9.30 pm
To 30 pm - 7.30 pm

Anyone who is interested in knowing more about the Scheme or who would like to attend an information session should come along to one of the meetings. Otherwise contact **Alan Hill** (Community Projects Officer) on **250 547**, Monday to Wednesday.

Local Ranking Committee

Local Ranking Committees are formed as part of the scheme to rank project applications. These committees are formed every second year, the membership being retained for a two year period.

A new Local Ranking Committee for Lismore is due to be formed this year. It consists of equal numbers of community representatives and Councillors, usually three of each.

The community representatives will be elected at three of the community information meetings. A representative of the community will be elected at each of the meetings in Lismore, Goonellebah and Nimbin. Expressions of interest in being elected as community representatives on the committee are requested.

Anyone wishing to nominate should state:

- Name, Address, Telephone or other contact; and,
- briefly discuss your:
 - membership of community organisations
 - involvement in community issues
 - why you want to be a member of the Local Ranking Committee
 - what you feel you have to offer.

Please try to keep this information to less than half an A4 page.

Please contact Alan Hill (Community Projects Officer) on 250 547 if you require any further information.



NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

Community Comment on Multiple Occupancy Review

The Department of Planning is currently reviewing the State-wide policy applying to multiple occupancy development on rural lands. The review will assess the current adequacy and relevance of the provisions within State Environmental Planning Policy No 15, which was introduced in June 1988 specifically to provide guidelines for multiple occupancy development.

As the policy has been in operation for over five years, the department is assessing the extent of its use throughout the State and the impact of that use. As part of the review, six local government areas have been selected for closer study. Shoalhaven, Byron, Lismore, Kyogle, Kempsey and Bellingen local government areas are those chosen.

The department and its consultants are calling for input from local residents to assist with the review. A survey questionnaire has been prepared for completion by residents of multiple occupancy developments. Residents are urged to contact the department, or its consultant, to register an address by Friday, 11 February to assist with distribution of the survey.

Landowners adjoining multiple occupancy developments as well as elsewhere in the local government area are also invited to make a submission. Written responses can be sent to:

> Department of Planning Northern Regions Office PO Box 6 Grafton, NSW 2460

To register an address for survey distribution, or to obtain further details, please contact:

Leigh Knight Department of Planning **Northern Regions Office** (066) 42 0622

Brenton Dickins Purdon Associates Pty Ltd (06) 257 1511.

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Skase under guard in hospital

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BRISBANE. - Fugitive have to decide whether never been used. businessman Christopher Skase's claims that he will die Skase could remain under if forced to return to Aust- for Skase's return would take

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It was understood he was acted on an arrest warrant is- under guard in a Majorca hos-

Mr Lavarch said a formal Spanish authorities, who will ralia in 1989 but so far has be made within 40 days.

Best prospects in 30 years, says Willis

Economic future bright

CANBERRA. - As his predecessor John Dawkins watched from the government backbench, Federal Treasurer Ralph Willis yesterday told parliament Australia had its best economic prospects for 30 years.

The Government yesterday unveiled its revised budget forecasts, promising faster economic growth, more jobs and low inflation.

Economic growth for 1993/94 has been lifted to 3.5 per cent from the budget forecast of 2.75 per cent, the num-

ber of new jobs forecast has been doubled to 200,000, and annual inflation lowered to two per cent from 3.5 per cent.

Although the figures are a dramatic improvement on the recession years, economists regarded the revisions as conservative, reflecting that in the wake of the embarrassment over the failed One Nation forecasts the Government prefered to play it safe.

"It moves everything in the right direction but, if any-

thing, they have erred on the side of caution," said Bankers Trust chief economist Chris Caton.

Mr Willis said he expected economic growth to accelerate to 4.0 per cent in 1994/95.

"We have the best conjuncture of economic fundamentals for 30 years," he said in his first parliamentary address since taking on the portfolio late last year.

"In short, we are magnificently positioned for sustained economic growth."

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Mayor's Message



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Correspondence to be addressed to: General Manager **Lismore City Council** PO Box 23A, Lismore 2480

INTERVIEWS WITH COUNCILLORS

Interview sessions provide an

GOONELLABAH COMMUNITY CENTRE

COUNCIL MEETING

An Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at the Council Chambers Oliver Avenue Gonnella-

Bishop silent on challenge

CANBERRA. - High-profile Liberal Bronwyn Bishop marked her return to the Opposition frontbench yesterday by refusing to rule out a challenge to Opposition Leader John Hewson.

On her first day in Parliament since being

Weed inspectors' rights queried

Charges against a Barkers Vale man arising from the alleged discovery of marijuana plants by a noxious plants inspector were dismissed in Lismore Local Court yesterday.

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions decided not to proceed with the case against Allan William Wallace, who appeared before Magistrate Phillip Molan.

Mr Wallace was cheered by members of the Help End Marijuana Prohibition group as he left the court. The group, carrying placards, had gathered to protest against the inspection practices of the Far North DPP solicitor Tony Krone first Act for entry to Wallace's prop-Coast County Council.

Mr Wallace, 42, had faced charges of possessing prohibited plants after the alleged discovery of 10 marijuana plants during the visit to his multipleoccupancy home of a Far North Coast County Council noxious plants inspector last year.

He had been absent from the property at the time.

Wallace pleaded not guilty to the charge when he appeared before court on June 23 last year.

In a hearing before Magistrate Phillip Molan yesterday,

offered to withdraw the charges against Wallace, but was re-

Mr Krone then offered no further evidence and the case against Wallace was dismissed.

Mr Molan awarded \$390 for witness costs in favour of the defendant.

Mr Wallace's barrister, Peter O'Connor, and his solicitor, David Heilpern, had submitted that the evidence against Wallace had been gathered illegally because the weeds inspector had not complied with requirements of the Noxious Weeds

ertv.

Mr Heilpern said after the case that under current legislation, inspectors had no right to enter people's land without at least one day's notice.

"The only exceptions to this are where they enter with consent or if it is an urgent, emergency-type situation," he said.

"Unlawful entry may give rise to criminal charges or to civil liability.

"Given that surprise visits by the Far North Coast County Council result in a large number of cannabis charges, one can only hope that they follow lawful procedure in future.

"It seems that the practice of inspectors currently is to leave a notice at the time of entry but we do not believe this complies with the Act."

Mr Wallace said he was angry at the experience of having his privacy invaded and of being charged with a criminal offence, only to have the charges withdrawn later.

Far North Coast County Council spokesman Christopher O'Keefe yesterday declined to comment on the outcome of the



North Coast teaching and learning director Frank Shaw discusses the course with specialist consultants Jeni Stafford (left) and Susan Blake.

Nats converge on region to plan tactics for NSW poll

A contingent of 18 National Party politicians and their wives will converge on Ballina and Tweed Heads tomorrow and Friday for seminars.

The contingent will comprise members of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council, including five Ministers.

The Leader of the parliamentary Party and Deputy Premier, Ian Armstrong, will be accompanied by the Minister for Local Government and Energy, Garry West, the Minister for Housing and Planning, Robert Webster, the Minister for Regional Development and Small Business, Ray Chappell, and

the Minister for Consumer Affairs, Wendy Machin.

Mr Armstrong said the meetings would serve as a key element in the party's carly strategy for the next State election, scheduled for March 25 next year.

"It represents an opportunity for myself and my parliamentary colleagues to meet in an informal atmosphere to discuss current issues and put in place new policies to take to country people at the next election," he said.

Mr Armstrong said in the next election the Government was seeking a clear majority to escape a hung Parliament.



PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

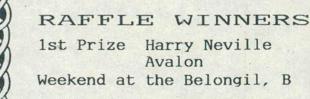
AIMS & OBJECTIVES.

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.



2nd Prize Louisa Chambers Bangalow Double bed mozzie net

3rd Prize Phil Clark
Tyalgum
Something from the Nimbin
Traditional Healing Centre

Thank you to all those who donated prizes and sold tickets.



PANCOMMENT.

HOW WE FULFILLED ALL OUR AIMS AND OBJECTIVES IN ONE WEEKEND

This issue is primarily devoted to reporting on the "Celebration of Sustainable Lifestyles" held in Nimbin September 29, 30, October 1. The 3-day Gathering was an extremely successful event, enjoyed by all who participated. It provided an opportunity to connect with old friends, to meet voices we'd spoken to on the phone, to exchange information, catch up on the latest news, learn new techniques, have fun together and was all the wonderful things we ever hoped it would be. As a bonus it all balanced out financially and Avalon Community, who provided wonderful food all weekend made \$1000.

All the workshops received much praise and positive feedback and our thanks go to all those who provided time to share their ideas and knowledge. Some of the groups formed at the Gathering will be on-going. The politics workshop, for instance, established a Nimbin-based "Save the Washpool". This group has since met and been to the Washpool together to see the situation first-hand. Although Washpool has had a reprieve they will be keeping a close eye on any developments.

Since the Gathering many of us have been thinking about future directions for Pan-Com. We have decided to have a special meeting on Nov. 25 to discuss just this and we hope that many of our readers and supporters will attend (see inside for details). Ideas being considered include producing this newsletter only bi-monthly and making it very much oriented to land-sharing communities, meeting bi-monthly and having issue-based meetings or get-togethers, etc. Whatever we decide will be reported on in this newsletter.

This issue of Land-Sharing News has been compiled by Diana Roberts of Pinpuna Community. Please circulate it promptly if you share it. Feedback and contributions <u>always</u> appreciated.



APROPOS "SUSTAINABLE SEX"

Floresta Virgein, P.O. Box 257, Nimbin 2480

If there is information that will contribute to the balancing of energies on the planet and the survival of the species then it is our duty to share it in the most efficient way that is available to us at the time.

During the Sustainable Lifestyles
Celebration I coined the name "Sustainable Sex" for the workshop I
delivered in the Indian tipi,
thereby combining two aspects of
this harmonising information
1. how to not make unwanted babies
while pleasuring in a much enhanced
sexual mode and,
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2. ancient style of housing that has low impact on environment and resources.

Now what I propose to do is an ongoing workshop in Nimbin where I give out my P.O. box number to become Nimbin's answer to Dear Marjorie Proops in England, Dear Abby in America and Dear Dorothy Dix in Australian women's magazines. To troubleshoot individual sexual health problems, and clear misunderstandings. To continue to disseminate info during Nimbin markets and festivals.

There are two basic bits of information that mothers and fathers should tell their sons and daughters: a) that orgasm is not the same thing as ejaculation, and b) that it takes very simple steps to gain mastery over the little explosion that creates the population explosion. The number of couples successfully practising is steadily growing in this part of the World - free love in the 60's, equisite love with responsibility in the 90's.



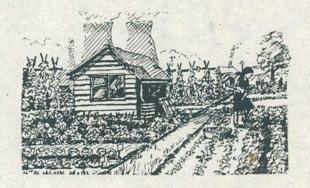
COMMUNITY FORUM

Wally Wallace

Approximately 40 people attended the Community Forum on the Sunday afternoon. Brief talks were given by people from Whatt Community, Blackhorse Creek & Pretty Gully (who came well prepared with notes and photos earning them a gold star!), describing the history, physical make-up etc. of those communities.

Those attending were asked who they were, where they were from and what they were expecting from the forum. There were many people who were passing through the area from Sydney, Newcastle, Cairns, Darwin, etc. - and representatives from probably 10 or so local communities. The "visitors" were after any info on communities (i.e. do they work?) - the "locals" were interested in exchanging information on how other communities have dealt with various problems/issues i.e. hassles with Councils, power set-ups, recycling, composting etc.

Various topics were discussed, most time being taken up with Council problems and from this it was obvious that most communities were very interested in these types of forums/exchanges and that the workshops were extremely helpful and most welcome. This led to a request for feedback regarding the festival. There was overwhelming appreciation for what had been presented over the weekend -the main "negative" being that they had to miss some workshops which were on concurrently with those they did attend and requests from "childless" people for more childcare to be organised!



CONFLICT RESOLUTION Tim Armstrong & Liz Jenser

Thirty people on the back verandah of the Nimbin Environment Centre - a lovely place.

1. Introductions

We shared some thoughts in pairs about the things which make us angry and a recent conflict we'd been part of.

2. Conflict Mapping

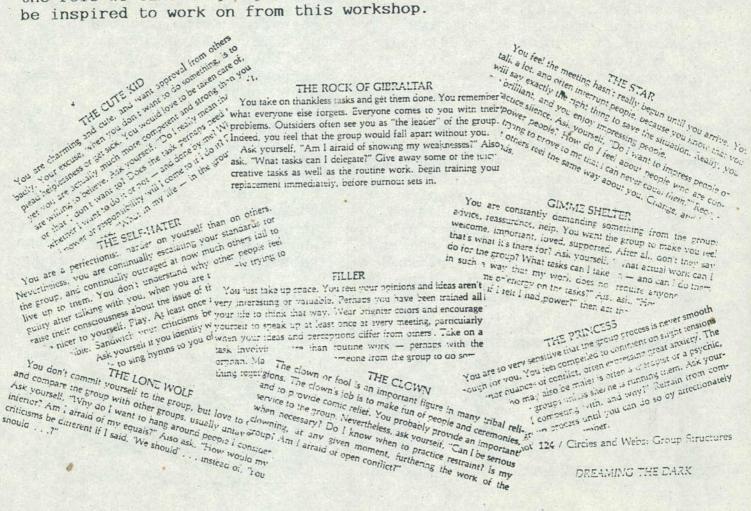
One person volunteered to describe his conflict and Liz, helped by the group, mapped out on the board the fears and needs of all those who are affected by this conflict. We discussed the usefulness of this, especially for understanding where the strength of emotion is coming from. We decided that the resolution of a conflict requires that each person must at least have their needs clearly heard and respected and, ideally have some needs met. In communities we often focus on the needs of only one or two people in a conflict.

Group Skills

Tim led a discussion around the importance of group skills for good conflict resolution. He developed a simulation game where groups were in competition for funding and had to make difficult decisions quickly... then led us to look at the different roles people took up in the decisionmaking process. This got noisy and exciting for a while and some of us needed to be eased back out of the simulation! Lots of questions came up from this game - the workshop ran out of time, but we discussed a few issues such as the need for skilful time-sharing to avoid giving all the power to the loudest or longest talkers.

Some people raised the issue of different assumptions - e.g. all members of a community may be dedicated to "trees", but define what that means very differently in practice.

Being clear what each of us needs and wants to feel O.K., and looking at the role we take in groups, seemed the two main skills which people might be inspired to work on from this workshop.



COUNCIL P.O. BOX 102. **NIMBIN 2480**

MEMBERS OF LAND SHARING COMMUNITIES and PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE WORK OF THE PAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND OUR NEXT GATHERING WHICH WILL BE HELD AT

MOONDANI (Des' Place) Falls Rd, via High St. NIMBIN OPPI HES. VON. PACHUE at 2.00 P.M.

THE PAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL STAFFS THE NIMBIN NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE EVERY SATURDAY AND INFORMATION ON THE COUNCIL AND IT'S ACTIVITIES, WHICH INCLUDES ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE TO COMMUNITIES, CAN BE OBTAINED THERE

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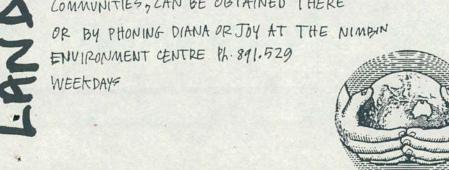
- * EXCHANGE COMMUNITY INFORMATION.
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JOY OUS MEALTIME

BRING FOOD AND SHARE DINNER AT 6PM BRING MUSIC TOO

CIVE TREES A CHANCE The story of a successful rainforest battle







ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE PEO-PLE WANTED to help purchase land and form community in Northern NSW. Contact Edward Kiefer, 62 Dunoon Rd, Lismore NSW 2480, Australia. Ph (066) 218503

SEED: fruit & nut over 200 species. Personally collected during season ensures viability. Also gingers, natives. Send SASE for seed list to Fruit Spirit Botanical Garden, Dorroughby, NSW 2480. Ph (066) 895 192

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RAINFOREST SEEDS: 3/4 of Australia's rainforest has gone, help repair the earth by regenerating rainforest on your land. Please send two stamps for our new seed list and hints on growing rainforest seed. Write to BELLINGEN VALLEY RAINFOREST SEEDS, Private Mail Bag, Bellingen NSW 2454. (#36)

STEEN GOOD STEEN GOOD STEEN

NEW COMMUNE (Drug Free)

We would like to meet other people interest -ed in starting a Permaculture Farm, aiming at as much selfsufficiency as possible.

We prefer drug-free group of friends, with a broadly based spiritual outlook who are actively involved (as we are) in personal growth ...

So, if you are interested in haveing fun, growing and living ecologically, write to:-

Brenda'and Lyn, C/- 28 Maple St, MALENY, 4552 Qld..



SEXISM - ALIVE AND WELL? Beatrice Bentley

Participants at the Pan-Com workshop included those of both sexes who came out of curiosity, those who felt angry and oppressed, some wanting answers and recommendations on a platter, several wishing to discuss the manifestations of sexist attitudes and actions and to vent their frustration at the seeming increase in sexism. Few had done preparatory work.

One important point became evident almost immediately - virtually no-one felt that their community structure was such that sexism as an issue could be sensibly discussed at community gatherings without deteriorating into the realm of the personal and the cliché. Catchword labels and expressions (feminist, facist, chauvinist, "I don't know what you're talking about", etc.) would most likely be bandied about, accusations fly and, as usual, many people would leave, others sink into despair and frustration. Thus sexism remains alive and well. Sad, isn't it?

It seems to me that assessment of the moral and emotional climate of communities would be advantageous. We need to look not only at what the structures permit people to do, but also at what they require people to do. Recognition of the insidiousness of sexism as it affects both women and men (and, of course, child-rearing) is essential.

Oh, what visions that word EQUALITY can inspire! Threat, annoyance, comeuppance or self-righteousness for starters. Delineated in value rather than competitive terms, equality takes on a much broader meaning in societal development. Perhaps equality is an appropriate starting point; that, combined with the differences between SEX and GENDER as used in the sexism debate. It quickly became obvious in both the Sexism and Men's Issues workshops that the conditioning process associated with gender discrimination was not being seriously addressed. Without understanding the strength and the lastingness of that process (and it can't be done in a 2 hour session!) people flounder in the dark and in the self, seeking targets for their personal frustrations rather than joining with others to alter the social, political and economic structures that perpetuate the status quo, even on a regional basis. Women and men together can study the concept of gender and its implications without becoming personal and can then slot themselves into the construct which determines relationships. Understanding why we're there is step one in extricating ourselves from the web which is not of our making but which will stay unbroken unless we act.

In the book Men, Women And Communes, P. Abrams posed the question: If we make our own chains, are we slaves or free? Should we (or for that matter could we) within Pan-Com consider devising a program for communities to look positively at lessening sexist behaviour and attitudes and going on to help develop everyone's potential, whatever that potential may be?

FINANCES

Income from the Gathering from workshops, the dance, the raffle and bread sales was \$2200.48

Expenditure for the Gathering which includes losses incurred due to the cancellation of the Gathering planned in February was \$1814.19. This gave us a surplus after the weekend of \$386.29. More details are available if required.
Funds on hand as at 7.11.90 \$1,346.76

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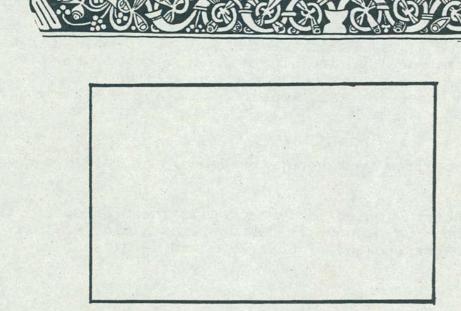
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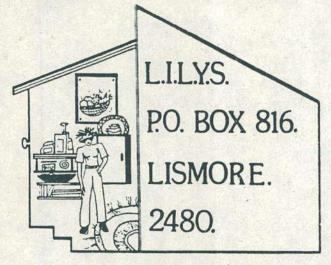
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Pan Community Council.
Attention: Diana Roberts.

25.6.91.

PH: 214448

Dear Diana,

I am sorry that Pan Com has not been furnished with the attached information before now. L.I.L.Y.S. has appreciated the use of the Environment Centre office, although it has not operated as a regular workplace for the Nimbin position.

The employment of two new workers at L.I.L.Y.S. has increased my workload substantially. As a result I have recently taken two weeks off work in lieu of overtime payments for which we are not funded.

During this time, Syvia Hudson has been needed in the Lismore office to maintain our tenant support workload.

Part-time positions and clear communication are notoriously incompatible! However, there is a full L.I.L.Y.S. file in the Environment Centre office and I hope you will feel welcome to access this information since it is a general resource for the M.O. project.

Catch you soon,

Kath Greenwood. (Development Worker)

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CONTACT Ph 250 500

Environment & Development Services

June 30, 1993

Mr Simon Clough Pan-Community Council PO Box 102 NIMBIN NSW 2480

Dear Mr Clough

RE: DISCUSSION PAPER ON MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY

Reference is made to your recent submission to Council.

The issues raised in your submission will be considered in conjunction with all other relevant matters prior to a decision being made.

Should the matter be the subject of a report to Council this will be advertised in the Northern Star in Council's newsletter.

You are advised to contact Council's Environment and Development Services Division in fourteen (14) days time should you wish to ascertain the outcome of your submission.

Yours faithfully

P T Muldoon

GENERAL MANAGER/TOWN CLERK

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GROW

IN NEW SOUTH WALES

It was in N.S.W. that GROW had its origin. In April 1957, and known then as "Recovery", the first group met at Hurstville. Shortly afterwards the second group was established at Lithgow and enquiries about this new self-help/mutual-help Movement were received from other Metropolitan Areas and from Orange in the Central Western District.

By 1964, there were 35 groups existing in 4 Australian States. GROW's three essential features (Program, Group Method, Caring and Sharing Community) were developing from the early commitment of these first group members to record and pass on to others "what was working in their lives" on the road to Recovery and Mental Health.

N.S.W. had 64 groups by the mid 1970s and it was at this time that "Recovery" changed its name to "GROW", which was seen to more positively state what this Community Mental Health Movement was about. Moreover, the Program of Personal Growth was working not only in areas of rehabilitation but as well for those seeking prevention of breakdown in their lives. With the change to GROW, the Movement included "open to all" along with its earlier description of: voluntary, non-denominational, no fees or dues charged.

By June 1992, some 106 GROW groups existed throughout the 15 areas within N.S.W. - these groups include General, Hospital, Ethnic, GROW Community, Living Skills Centre, and GROW Staff groups.

For further information on GROW, contact:

GROW (N.S.W.) Office Phone: (02) 569 5566

P.O. Box 64, Petersham, N.S.W., 2049

or in the Lismore area Phone: (066) 29 3288

AN INTRODUCTION TO GROW

AUSTRALIA'S COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH MOVEMENT

GROW is a new and uniquely structured community mental health movement. It began in Sydney, Australia in April, 1957 and has since spread to New Zealand, Ireland, Hawaii, Mainland U.S.A., Malaysia and Great Britain.

GROW's Program of Personal Growth, its Group Method and its Caring and Sharing Community have all been developed from the findings of former mental sufferers in the course of rebuilding their lives after mental breakdown.

Their groups were, in fact, first known as Recovery groups. This name was subsequently changed to GROW in order to meet the increasing demand for the groups's services in preyention as well as in rehabilitation and even more broadly for a popular school of life and leadership for mental health.

GROW is anonymous, non-denominational, and open to all. Its groups are run by their own members, sometimes with the friendly co-operation of a doctor, social worker, minister of religion or any mature member of the community.

GROW groups vary in size from 3 to 15 members. Meetings are held weekly, last two hours and are followed by refreshments.

No membership fees or dues are charged. No introductions are needed. Just come along.

ENOUIRIES WELCOME

INTERSTATE BRANCHES

GROW (New South Wales)
Lewisham Community Complex,
Lewisham NSW 2049

GROW (Victoria) 29 Erasmus Street GROW (Western Australia)

3rd Floor, 146 Beaufort Street

Surrey Hills 3127

Perth WA 6000

GROW (Queensland)

P O Box 178

Holland Park QLD 4121

GROW (Tasmania) 82-84 Hampden Road Battery Point TAS 7004

GROW (South Australia)

38 Anzac Highway Everard Park SA 5035 GROW (Northern Territory)

P O Box 38801

Winnellie NT 0821



WORLD COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH MOVEMENT

NSW BRANCH
invites you to our
PUBLIC SEMINAR
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'MENTAL HEALTH

THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER'

..the most important cause of Mental Illness & Mental Health is ME.

Venue:

UNION CLUBHOUSE, UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND-NORTHERN RIVERS MILITARY ROAD, EAST LISMORE, NSW

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

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9.00 a.m. WELCOME
HELEN SHAW, SENIOR REGIONAL PROGRAM
CO-ORDINATOR, GROW (NSW)

9.35 a.m. OFFICIAL OPENING BY

MS ANDREA LARKIN - Regional

Director, North Coast Region of the

N.S.W. Dept. of Health

9.50 a.m. "THE VITAL ROLE OF COMMUNITY IN MENTAL HEALTH"

Speaker:

warren KING, National Program Coordinator of GROW. A member of GROW for 18 years, Warren was involved in establishing GROW's first residential rehabilitation program.

Warren talks on the role of community in mental health, highlighting friendship, mutualactivation and involvement in a caring community as key components of personal growth and mental health.

10.20 a.m. QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. "THE CHIEF CAUSE OF MENTAL ILLNESS AND MENTAL HEALTH IS ME"

Speaker:

JOAN BAYNES, GROW's National Field Worker and Literature Editor. After several years in a Sydney Mental Hospital Joan went to GROW in 1962. Through GROW she regained her mental health.

Joan will elaborate on the necessity of adopting attitudes conducive to mental health. Mental health can and must be learned. Severe mental illness is not the end of the world!

11.00 a.m. QUESTIONS

11.10 a.m. MORNING TEA

11.30 a.m. "THE DIFFERING ROLE OF PSYCHIATRY AS
SOCIETY'S ATTITUDES TOWARDS MENTAL
HEALTH ISSUES DEVELOP"

Speaker:

DR GEOFF RICKARBY F.R.A.N.Z.C.P. Psychiatrist/Child Psychiatrist in private practice.

Dr Rickarby will deliver a very interesting talk bases on his experiences in many years of practising psychiatry.

12.00 p.m. QUESTIONS

12.10 p.m. A PERSONAL TESTIMONY. A shared experience of suffering and triumph.

12.35 p.m. LUNCH

1.45 p.m. "COMMUNICATING FROM THE HEART - NOT

Speaker:

TIM ARMSTRONG B.A., C.O.S.W., A.S.W., MiPM., Area Co-ordinator of Mental Health Services has trained in psychology and psychiatric social work.

Tim will talk on the need to respond to people from the heart and our experience, rather than from only written and spoken theory and from the accepted textbook.

2.15 p.m. QUESTIONS

2.25 p.m. "LIVING IN HOPE (ADOLESCENCE AND THE FAMILY)"

Speaker:

REV JOHN KIDSON Dip. Min., Th. Dip., Chaplain at the University of New England (Lismore Campus)

John emphasises in his talk just how much we influence each other in our families, and how we can work together in a positive way in building harmonious relationships.

2.55 p.m. QUESTIONS

3.05 p.m. CLOSE AND SUMMARY - HELEN SHAW

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

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Seminar Fee

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This fee includes morning tea and a buffer lunch.

Cheques should be made payable to "GROW"

* CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION Friday, 25th September, 1992

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO "GROW (NSW) SEMINAR"

PO Box 64, Petersham, NSW 2049

Update: 13 June 92

Kyogle Shire Council made a resolution in March 1991 - that no new buyers into Avalon would be able to pay off The levies and would have to pay levies upfront or not reside on The lot until doing so. (This is also now applicable to any new M.O.)

Union for Homeless Women & Children Secretary Joy Wallow See under

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Thank You,

BETTY OLDMEADOW

(NIGHT) 76 1385 (Polswille)

Offer of bed lenen, blankets bead
bedspreads etc if it will help.

Please return her call to Confirm



SUBMISSION

TO: Lismore City Council.

RE: Proposed Rural Subdivision by Olesun Pty. Ltd.

SUBJECT: Use of Community Titles Development Act, 1989.

The Community Titles Act represents the distillation of many years'input from the landsharing movement, of which the Pan-Community Council is the peak representative body on the North Coast. The members of this body feel that, unless certain criteria are met by the developers, the use of the Community Titles Act is entirely inappropriate to proposed subdivision.

Historically, "Multiple Occupancy" developments have received much adverse attention from local councils throughout the State. The severity or otherwise of some development conditions placed upon such land use has often been left to the Courts to decide, at inevitable cost to ratepayers. Dispute is still extant in the the area of Section 94 contributions. Along the bumpy road to development approval, local councils have often required changes to ownership structures, Articles of Association, community by-laws etc., all of this taking place in a generally hostile manner. Despite these problems, land-sharing communities have grown and prospered, eventually being recognised as a bona fide land use, culminating in the enactment of the Community Titles Act.

Most land-sharing communities, whether structured as Strata, co-operatively or corporate, experience problems related to the adherence to covenants or conditions applied by the body corporate to individual residents. Disputes arise over interpretation of such by-laws the resolution of which occupies many hours of meeting time. The impact of these disputes is rarely felt outside of the community, and is usually resolved in time. The process of such conflict resolution is responsible for a great deal of social contact, and engenders the participants with valuable skills. The relative isolation of land-sharing communities ensures that the broader community is not adversely affected, either environmentally or socially, by structural difficulties within the body corporate.

The same cannot be said of the proposed subdivision, by nature of its' proximity to the village of Nimbin, any infrastructural problems will have an immediate impact on the wider community, socially and environmentally. The only realistic method of avoiding these problems within a community structure is by strict adherence to, and diligent application of any and all covenants required by the body corporate.

Given the apparent 'alternative' nature of the proposed subdivision, and bearing in mind the community-based aspects of the proposal, Council is in a unique position in terms of the perceived success or otherwise of the development.

In taking an innovative approach, Council could ensure that all the conditions and covenats expressed within the proposal are adhered to in the long term.

This submission seeks to elicit Councils' involvement in this area, both generally and specifically. Part 2. of this document contains specific recommendations.



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In considering the proposed development, our organisation feels that a prerequisite exists intrinsically; that is, the imposition of a level playing-field. The conditions applied to all previous community (M.O.) developments should be applied to Olesun Pty. Ltd. The denial of such a prerequisite would negate the very process which gave rise to the Community Titles Act. Likewise, the diligence applied to other community (M.O.) developments should be applied to Olesun Pty. Ltd.'s subdivision.

SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS.

- That Section 94 contributions be set using the same process as applied to M.O. That is, the number of house-sites multiplied by the current contibution. Justification of this level of funding can be demonstrated in the increase of traffic between Nimbin and Lismore, a heavily used sealed arterial road with high maintenance costs.
- 2. That child-care and age-specific entertainment venues be an integral part of the proposed development, to lessen the social impact of the development on Nimbin village.
- 3. That Council actively ensures that all conditions relating to the by-laws of any body corporate, or any association of residents, be adhered to at all times.
- 4. To facilitate the above, that Council appoint one of its' members to any Board, group or controlling body whose duty it is to ensure adherence to community covenants.

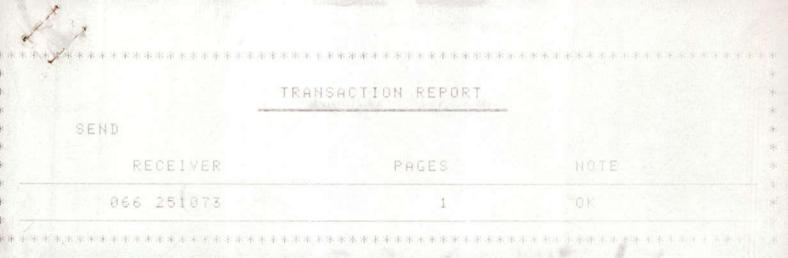
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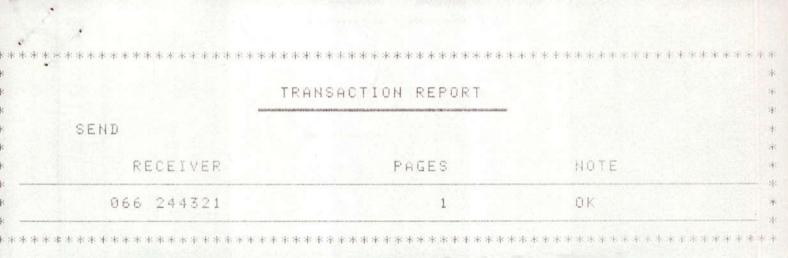
There is no doubt that a community based permaculture hamlet is an attractive alternative to 'traditional' subdivisions. The highly visible nature of such a development in Nimbin has the potential to provide a shining example of suburban planning. Any individual or group connected with such a successful project would no doubt win the praise of the public in general. However, the reverse applies also; should the proposed development not live up to the details of the Development Application.

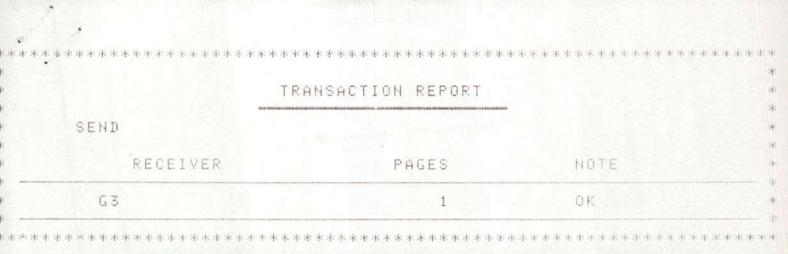
In considering the D.A., Council has a responsibility to ensure that the development is in fact a community enterprise, and that it becomes a model for future projects. Put simply, if the proposed development professes to be a Community, then it should reflect in its' nature all the lessons learnt and hardships overcome by the land-sharing movement in the past twenty years. This is, after all, an application under the Community Titles Act.

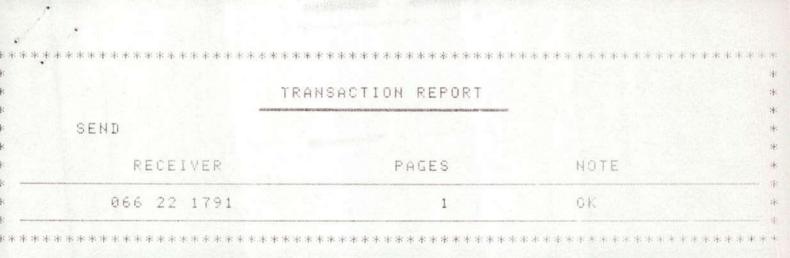
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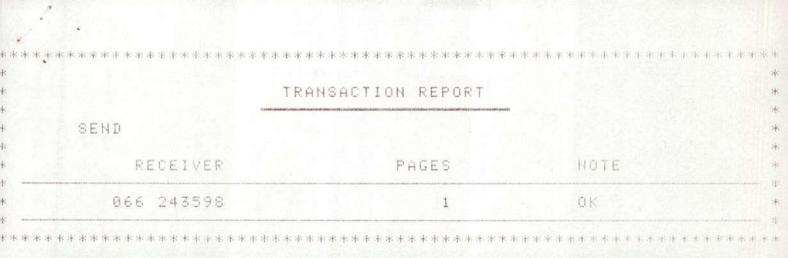
Mr. H. Neville Co-ordinator. 25 May 1992.











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PAN-COMMUNITY COUNCIL P.O. BOX 102, NIMBIN 2480

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KYOGLE SHIRE COUNCIL

P.O. BOX 11, KYOGLE 2474

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PHONE: (066) 32 1611 AMOUNT

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OFFICIAL RECEIPT

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CHEQUE DETAILS

FOR:

048/MOVEABLE DWELLING PERMITS

CHEQUE

RECEIPT NUMBER: 16575

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

TRACEY LOVE AVALON LOT 1 STONEY CHUTE RD VIA NIMBIN

2480

PAYMENT BY CHEQUE

Acceptance of a cheque and issue of a receipt therefore is conditional on collection of the proceeds, and until collection no credit is to be given or implied.

With Thanks, for Shire Clerk

Per: MM



ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE SHIRE CLERK
P.O. BOX NO. 11
KYOGLE. 2474.

WHP: JMH

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE QUOTE: B10000



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: STRATHEDEN STREET KYOGLE, N.S.W. 2474. TELEPHONE (066) 32 1611 FAX 066322228

CONTACT

Mr Pearson

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

April 6, 1992

Tracey Love
"Avalon"
Lot 1, Stoney Chute Road
Via NIMBIN 2480

Dear Madam

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 31st March and advise as follows:-

Section 94 contributions refer to the levies raised for roads and parks and in 1992 amount to \$2100. As mentioned in my previous letter, this amount is to be paid in full before any license will be issued to occupy any moveable or temporary dwelling and before any building application is approved. You were therefore in error that this contribution was to be paid upon building of permanent dwelling. Additionally, I advise that payment of the levy at \$20 per fortnight would not be acceptable.

I therefore confirm the information presented previously that "Council staff have been instructed to institute legal proceedings for any breach of the Local Government Act or Ordinance without further reference to Council and solicitors have been appointed.

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Yours faithfully

(P.D. THEW) SHIRE CLERK

Tracey Love 'Avalor' Lot 1 Steney Chute Rd Via Nimbin 2480

Dear Mr Pearson,

I refer to your letter of January 20 of

which I have enclosed a copy.

On 15/1/az I came to Council and paid for a temporary develling purmit as I wanted to do the right thing. I then received your letter but arm not sure what it means. I presume that "Section 94. contributions" means the \$2,000 road levies I thought were to be paid upon building of permanent dwelling. I am not trying to get out of paying any monie owing but have very limited finances and cannot persibly pay that amount in full as I am paying off a loan I got to buy my share and am due to have my third baby in July. I could start to pay you off at \$20 a fortnight. If you could give me a bank account No. so I can pay it straight into and avoid expensive bank cheques it would be appreciated, I am sure this matter can be resolved

within the next couple of weeks avoiding any unnessessary complications and costs. I anxiously wait your reply.

Yours Faithfully Tracy Love

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January 20, 1992

M/s Tracey Love
"Avalon" Lot 1, Stoney Chute Road
Cawongla
Via KYOGLE 2474

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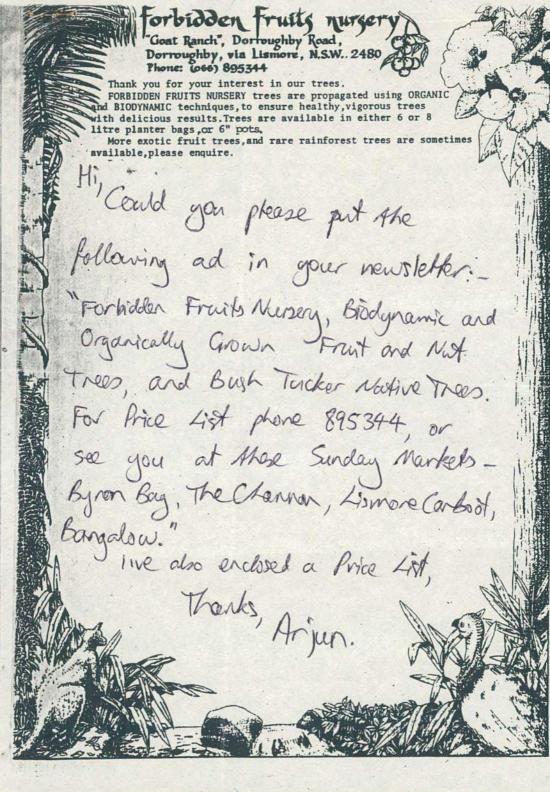
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Pan Com Copy Nimbin Newsagents, Cullen Street, Nimbin. 2480. 14-3-92 To whom it may concern. The Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre (N.N.C.) is staffed each Saturday, between 10a.m. and 2p.m., by Pan Community Council (P.C.C.) volunteers; hence the need for the P.C.C. key kept by yourselves to be accessable to only those volunteers whose names appear below. Wally Wallace Judy Lancaster Noel Palmer Shelly Neville Mike Shegog Tony Gibson Gordon King Joy Wallace Please see attatched roster for your convenience. Thank-you for your support. Judy Lancaster President N.N.C.

NIMBIN NEIGHBOURHOOD and INFORMATION CENTRE



Cullen St Nimbin, 2480 Ph.891492





GOAT RANCH DORROUGHBY RD. DORROUGHBY, VIA LISMORE 16-2-92.

Hello Arjun,

Recieved your letter and advertisment for the Pan Community Council newsletter. As reguards the newsletter, it was decided at the last Pan Com meeting, that we would dispense with the newsletter for the time being and concentrate that energy towards a market stall every month at the Nimbin market. The mext being on Feb.23rd. 1992 and a meeting at 1pm on that day.

I will place your advertisment on the Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre notice board instead.

Yours Sincerely

Judy Lancaster - Treasurer, Pan Community Council.

Sent 17-2-92

15-2-92

We the undersigned hereby authorise the following people
U. Lancaster, J. Wallace, G. King, N. Walsh and A. Wallace to collect our
possessions from lot 2 Stoney Shute Road Wadeville on Tuesday 18th of
February 1992.

DAVID HEPWORTH
BELINDA WATSON
JEWNY BARLING
Michael Parsons
PHILIP ADAMI

Jenny Barling

Attention

is seeking donations to

Pan Community Council(P.C.C) is seeking donations to cover costs incurred whilst acting on behalf of Tyamokari Action Group (T.A.G.)

The emergency situation has so far been funded solely by P.C.C., but as costs are ongoing this cannot continue.

Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

P.C.C. has ageed to continue administration of funds and donations, hence cheques MUST be made out to Pan Community Council

Any queries, please write to the above address or ring Wally at Nimbin Neughbourhood Centre on 891492 on any Monday

Copies sent tothe following-Dave Lambert (RRFT) Sam's Organic Janette's (clothing) Emporium Nimbin Museum Rainbow Cafe Nimbin Garage Nimbin Butcher Lifestyle Real Estate Nimbin Real Estate Nimbin Hairdresser Nimbin Bakery Craft Shop Craft Gallery Copper Hood Nimbin News



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.

Attention

Pan Community Council(P.C.C) is seeking donations to cover costs incurred whilst acting on behalf of Tyamokari Action Group (T.A.G.)

The emergency situation has so far been funded solely by P.C.C., but as costs are ongoing this cannot continue. Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

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FRIENDS OF COMMUNITY INDEPENDENTS

Dear Friend,

As someone who did likewise, I write to thank you for the support you so generously gave to the successful Community Independent candidates in the Lismore elections.

It was wonderfully heartening to see that so many others, like ourselves, are keen for the opportunity to have a say in the planning and decisions that immediately and directly impact on our lives. An opportunity denied us for too long.

What I now ask is that you continue your support ... and here's why. It became obvious from the very first new council meeting that the "old guard" have learned nothing from the election result - or if they have they are determined to defy the community's wish for change.

For these new councillors (a.k.a. aldermen!) to represent us effectively, to speak on our behalf, to involve us fully in the planning and decision-making process in the way we wish - in a hostile environment - they will need to work extremely and unnecessarily hard. They will need to spend more time and effort than it should otherwise take. More time than anyone being reimbursed \$60 a week can really afford to spend.

To do the job <u>we</u> have asked of them, we must continue to support them in every way possible. I therefore invite you to become a member of the "Friends of the Community Independents" support group.

As a group we will offer assistance to the individual councillors in whichever way we feel we can each best contribute. Some of the ways we have already considered are:

Interviews, phone calls, letters - to listen to hostile councillors and to ensure that they are accountable. We also need someone to organise a telephone tree to make this work.
Writing letters to the editors of our newspapers.
Attending council meetings to provide moral support. (Meetings are currently being stacked by those opposed to us while Stuart sits alone.)
Participating in brainstorming sessions on important and/or difficult issues.
Be available for a long-term planning w/e on 11th& 12th January to plan 1992 with our three councillors.
Making submissions/representation to the various council committees.
Secretarial support.
Supplying specialist relevant expertise/knowledge - there is a very steep learning curve for new councillors.
Personal support for councillors whose income-earning potential is now restricted. Support such as house or car maintenance, gardening, massage, health care, home grown produce or anything else you can think of.
Child care assistance for Diana's 4 year old daughter. Council and committee meetings are long, during the day and at night, sometimes several in a week, and help would be most appreciated to ensure that Mala is well cared for.

 ☐ Financial assistance to help cover our elected councillors' otherwise unredeemable expenses attending to council business. ☐ Financial support to establish and maintain an office for our councillors.
Plus any and every other way you can think of. Any suggestions?
We already have volunteered support in many of the above categories but we need a whole lot more! If you feel that you can contribute in any of the ways we've mentioned, or in any way we've not thought of, please join with us in achieving a better council for everyone. Your support will not only help your councillor and the community at large it will help you.
To join "Friends of the Community Independents" simply tick the box, or boxes, adjacent to the areas of need in which you could offer help, and return to Slapp, 183 Ballina Road Lismore Heights, 2480.

For more information, please phone Kath (886372) or Slapp (243176 or 886231) as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

If you need to contact our councillors at any time:

Lyn Carson 9 Jasmyne Street Lismore 2480 (h) 215 235 Diana Roberts P.O. Box 56 Nimbin 2480 (w) 891 529

Ros Irwin Hopf Road Tucki 2480 (h) 298 301 (w) 232 709



Lismore City Council NEWSLETTER

sued under the authority of P.T. Muldoon (General Manager. Town Clerk). Correspondence to addressed to General Manager. Town Clerk, Lismore City Council, P.O. Box 23A Lismore.

EMERGENCIES AFTER HOURS PH 25 0500

COUNCIL MEETINGS

An adjourned Ordinary Meeting of Council and a Special Meeting of Council will be held at the Council Chambers, Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah on Tuesday, October 29, 1991 at

Members of the public are invited to attend. Amongst the Items listed on the Business Papers are the following:

Adjourned Meeting

Membership of Council Committees.

Erection of Dwelling Houses 25/27 Charles Street.

Construction of general Teaching and Academic Building

Proposed Development Control Plan — Tree Preservation Order.

Special Meeting

Financial Management.

Financial Management.

Department of Local Government and Co-operatives —

Performance Review of the Councit.

Copies of the Business Papers are available for the public to read prior to the meeting at the Inquiry Counter, Oliver Avenue and the City Library.

For further information on this or other meetings of Council, please contact Council's Senior Administrative Officer, Mr Graeme Wilson, on 21 1425.

* PRECINCT COMMITTEES *

Council has resolved to encourage the establishment of precinct committees throughout its area as a means of increasing public participation in its activities.

The exact nature and role of these precinct committees has not yet been determined and this will be investigated by

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The Community Consultation Committee will comprise Aldermen, staff and members of the public.

Applications are invited from members of the public to participate in the Community Consultation Committee with nominations closing at 5 pm on Friday, November 8, 1991.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Council's Senior Administrative Officer, Mr Graeme Wilson by phoning 25 0500.

LIFTING OF FIRE PERMITS

Notice is hereby given that permits will be lifted within the Lismore City Council area from TODAY, OCTOBER 26,

Permits are available from all Bush Fire Captains and Per-

mit Issuing Officers of respective Brigades.

H R Fredericks, Mayor of Lismore.

CANIABA BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

The Annual General Meeting of the Caniaba Bush Fire Brigade will be held on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1991, at 8.00 pm in the Caniaba Hall. All welcome.

BOATHARBOUR BRIDGE TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Due to the major reconstruction currently being undertaken on the bridge, there may be temporary closures of up to 15 minutes to allow for the placement of large structural

Council regrets any inconvenience to the public.

TENDERS

SUPPLY OF NEW PLANT ITEMS AND DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL-OWNED PLANT

(FILE No. S/413)

Tenders endorsed "Plant Tender" are invited for the supply and delivery of the following vehicle in accordance with specifications obtainable from Council's Purchasing Officer, Wilson St. Works Depot, Lismore 'phone (066) 21 6022 or Council's Workshop, Brunswick St. Lismore 'phone (066) 21 7331 21 7331.

Supply of new plant —
One (1) only "TRUCK MOUNTED", SINGLE OPERATOR, GARBAGE COMPACTOR": Net power 150Kw Min;
Load Capacity 23mcf,tms approx. G.V.M. Approx.

22,000kg. (6x4 configuration).

Tenders endorsed "Purchase of Council Owned Plant"

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*1984 International Acco 1950C (V113) fitted with a 1976 Garwood LP-700-9 compactor body.
For inspections of the above vehicle contact Council's Brunswick St. Workshop, 'phone (066) 21 7331 — Messrs. Colin Starr or Bill Durheim.

There will be no warranty on the vehicle being sold. Highest or any Tender to trade or purchase Council's plant not necessarily accepted. Lowest or any Tender for the supply of new equipment not necessarily accepted. The attention of tenderers is invited to the provisions of Section 517A of the Local Government Act, as amended

Tenders close 12.00 noon, Wednesday, November 20, 1991 and should be addressed to the General Manager/Town Clerk.

Important

You are urged to apply to council to be considered as a community REPRESENTATIVE on this newly formed community CONSULTATION COMMITTEE.

This is a very important committee with great potential to change the decision-making process. Precinct committees would be only the first step. There are many more possibilities. Please apply before 8/11/91.



ALD CARSON ... 'Compassionate men'



ALD BAXTER ... 'I feel like crying'



CROWTHER ... Offered handkerchief



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ALD WILSON ... ALD FREDERICKS 'Part of our heri- ... Used casting vote



ALD ROBERTS 'Barrier to equality'

By STEVE PAYNE

Traditions die hard.

The adage was proved again at the lastest Lismore City Council meeting when the votes of six of the 12 Lismore City Council aldermen and impassioned speeches by the three women aldermen were not enough to replace the title of alderman with councillor.

The casting vote of the mayor, Ald Harold Fredericks, broke a 6/6 deadlock and overturned a vote at the last council meeting to adopt the title of councillor.

A recision motion had been immediately lodged by Ald Reg Baxter/following last month's decision.

Ald Baxter this week said 'alderman' was only a word and wondered if the women

Women have to stay aldermen

- Ald Ros Irwin, Ald Lyn Carson and Ald Diana Roberts - would object to the term 'human'.

Appeal ignored

Ald Stan Wilson said it was part of the community's Anglo-Saxon heritage and should be retained.

Ald Carson said that white people in America responded to objections about the term 'nigger' by saying it was 'only a word'.

"As a woman and a victim of inappropriate language, I am appealing to you to exercise the same empathy on this decision as you use in considering anything that comes before you," Ald Carson said.

"I know you are compassionate men.

"The term is an anachronism and I call on you to make a stand and vote against the recision motion.

"The status of this title is in the minds of aldermen but I don't believe it is in the minds of the community."

Ald Baxter responded: "I feel like crying.'

Ald John Crowther lent forward to hand Ald Baxter a handkerchief.

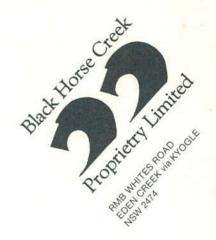
Acts as barrier

Ald Roberts said the title 'alderman' was part of gender-based language which reflected underlying attitudes that acted as a barrier to equality.

Ald Irwin said the State Government already was removing gender-based language from its vocabulary.

Ald Baxter rejected a call from Ald Ken Gallen for the council to lead the way, saying he would happily accept the title councillor if and when it was adopted by the State Government.

Ald Peter Larsen, Ron Hepburn, Stan Wilson and John Crowther voted with Ald Baxter and Ald Fredericks to stick with tradition.



The Secretary,
Pan Community Council

Please find enclosed \$20.00 to cover the cost of subscription to the Pan Community Council newsletter for the 1990 period I,m sorry it has taken so long for us to get this to you, but there are not many actual residents on this community at the moment, and we had some difficulty raising the money. (none of the non-resident shareholders read the newsletter.) I will forward the money for the end of 1991 to september 1992 period in a couple of months (hopefully).

Once again, sorry for the delay.

Yours faithfully

P.R. Bortnowsky

(Secretary)

Dear Community Members;

HELP! Desperately seeking Pan Com. is looking for a reasonably level site for the upcoming Summer Solstice Festival on Dec. 20/21/22. The site needs to accomadate up to 200 campers and their vehicles, as well as the following: A reliable water supply- preferably creek frontage(Dams, Tanks), shade if possible- although Marques shall be erected, swimming hole if possible, and an area where tree planting and building workshops may be conducted.

There are many advantages to hosting this Pan Com. festival. We wish our workshops to produce a physical 'end product'ie: Community hall or bamboo structure, composting toilets, re-aforested 'permaculture plantation', stone masonry ie: open cooking area and so on. All of which may be designed by the host community, plus they would be left with a permanent festival or recreation area with tiolets, showers, and cooking facilities. All that would be required would be building materials, design or guidelines and some input and labour from community members.

The idea of this festival is to create an arena where community skills can be celebrated, shared and passed on, and where community 'produce' can be appreciated. Also we community dwellers can get to know each other more deeply and therefore become more trusting and supportive of each other.

It is hoped that each community will contribute their skills in the form of a stall or workshop, and communities are not limited to just one stall—we want as many as possible! Please remember, this is your festival and shall be what we community members make of it—so have some pride in your community and make sure—your there with a stall!

Please let us know if you think you have a site - don't be shy, we will consider all sites offered, and we need to know about stalls and workshops as soon as possible - we only have three months to get organised. We shall be waiting eagerly for the mail from you folk to start pouring in - please don't disapoint us!

Reply to: "THE FESTIVAL COMMITEE"

C/- PAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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