

Majors Creek Community Newsletter

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Welcome to the Spring edition of the Majors Creek Community Newsletter for 2014. Many thanks to those who have continued to send a small contributions towards the newsletter and other projects in the village. This is much appreciated.

If you no longer want to receive the newsletter would you kindly reply to PO Box 21 Majors Creek or email macdon7@bigpond.com



Majors Creek CWA

Meetings have been held regularly since 1936. A great record.

New members are always welcome to join on the first Wednesday of each Month. The country of study this year was Botswana and as the branch didn't have an international day it was decided to have a lunch Botswana style following their July meeting. This was very much enjoyed by the members present. Linda Harrison and Deirdre McDonald attended a group meeting in Goulburn recently.

Rural Fire Service Community Protection Planning Information Session at

Majors Creek Recreation Ground

Saturday 11th October 2014

10-30am-1-30pm

10-30am Introduction

11-00am-12noon Information Session

12-00noon- 12-45pm Sausage sizzle

12-45pm- 1-30pm Firewise Demonstration

**Come along and meet members of the Majors Creek Rural Fire Brigade
and the Community Protection Planning Team**

St Stephens Church



Services are held on the first Sunday of each month at 11-00am. All welcome.

Funeral, Marriages and Baptisms can be

arranged by phoning 48422423

Email: angbraidwood@bigpond.com

If the Rector is not available, please contact

Rectors Warden Brian McDonald 48461157.

St Stephens Tower

Over a period of time water has been entering the entrance porch of St Stephens due to water coming from the roof of the tower. Due to the height of the tower and not being able to inspect where the problem laid the water continued to come down the west wall. The roof of the tower has now been repaired and the porch can now be painted.

As the church is now over 140 years old several cracks are appearing which means they will have to be attended to before the inside of the church is painted. The inside of the church was last painted in 1982. Wardens recently meet to explore several ways of obtaining funds for the interior painting. Any contribution towards these maintenance items of our lovely old church which has served our community for many years will gratefully be received.

For further information please contact Brian McDonald Rector's Warden. PO Box 21 Majors Creek 48461157, macdon7@bigpond.com

Attention all residents!!!!

Over the past weekend there has been a Graffiti artist on the loose in our village. Graffiti has been painted on our bus shelter, tennis courts and in Araluen Street

This will not be tolerated in our village, any information in regards to this will be greatly appreciated.

Braidwood Police have been informed.

**Photos of the Vandalism can be found on the
Majors Creek Website.**

Garden of Remembrance

Myra Jean (Bonnie) Keyte

Bonnie formally of Braidwood and Majors Creek passed away at Casino on 1-7-2014

To Bob and family we offer our sincere sympathy

**Anders Nielsen
1964-2014**

The Nielsen family lived at Majors Creek for some years and Anders and his brothers were a part of the young community

To his mother Natalie and brothers we offer our sincere sympathy.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kate Mitchell and Wade Sephton on the birth of their daughter Ellie

Majors Creek Progress Ass Inc

President – Chris James
Secretary – Rebecca Bigg
Treasurer – Donna Blowes
Public liaison / Historian – Brian McDonald

Next meeting Wednesday 24th September at the Hotel.

Ti Chi

Ti Chi is held in the hall each Tuesday at 10-00am. All are invited to go along and join in. For further information contact Irene Wolford 48461088

Majors Creek Music Festival

Recreation Ground

21st –23rd November 2014

Majors Creek Recreation Reserve

Dedicated for Public Recreation 1893

An application for a grant under the Lands Department PRMFP program to build a properly defined roadway from the entrance gate of the reserve to the rear of the hall was lodged and unfortunately advise has since been received that the application was not successful. This is the second time an application has been unsuccessful.

The Braidwood and Bungendore Community Banks agreed to sponsor an amount of \$3000-00 towards the purchase of new chairs for the hall . The new chairs have arrived and will be a great benefit for larger functions in the hall. A sign has been placed on the wall inside the hall acknowledging the donation. Old wooden chairs have now been disposed of with a donation to the trust.

The many campers and caravaners who stay a night or two have been very generous in leaving a donation. This is greatly acceptable and helps to defray some of the expenses we have in the day to day running of the hall and facilities.

The Recreation ground has been booked for the Music Festival to be held on 21-22-23 November 2014.

Two 4wd clubs from Canberra have booked the facilities for their annual Christmas get together. The Land Rover Club on the weekend of 29-30 November and ACT 4wd on the weekend of 6-7 December.

New trustees have now been appointed for the next 5 years. They are: Brian McDonald, Rudolph Stachow, Peter Gillespie, Steven Waters, Gordon Waters, Craig Willoughby and Brian James. Michael Donnelly did not seek re election. We thank Michael for his work on the trust over many years. Mandy Franklin from the Department of Lands will visit Majors Creek shortly and meet with the new trust.

Over two weekends groups from Sydney have used the Recreation ground to take off and land their ultra lights.

You may have noticed that the old slippery dip has been removed . This is accordance with new regulations as all playground equipment has to approved and stamped.

English Oak Tree

Those of us who attended the Majors Creek Primary School we remember the the large English Oak Tree planted on the northern side of the playground. There also was well with a large stone placed over it many years ago. On researching the origins of the English Oak I found that in 1897 all School Grounds, Police Stations, Public Parks etc planted these trees to celebrate the Queens Jubilee, this being eight years after the school was built. It is still there today, 117 years old. **Brian McDonald**

Majors Creek Progress Association Inc

The Annual General Meeting of the Majors Creek Progress Association Inc was held at the Hotel on Wednesday 6th August 2014.

Office Bearers elected were as follows:

President – Chris James
Secretary – Rebecca Bigg
Treasurer – Donna Blowes
Public liaison / Historian – Brian McDonald

I would like to say thank you to Brian McDonald for all his years of work with the Progress Association. It did not stop with his being President, Brian has worked “behind the scenes” on many projects and continues to keep our village tidy by mowing the verges. We did not let him off lightly he is now our Public liaison / Historical representative on the committee.

Again thank you Brian for all those years and I hope the new committee can keep the ball rolling.

We will be holding a general meeting at the hotel on **Tuesday 24th September at 7-00pm** and are asking residents to think about any projects they think would be of value to the community. If you have any ideas please bring them along to the next meeting.

Chris James
President Majors Creek Progress Association Inc.

Majors Creek Cemetery

Our cemetery as you know is visited by many people during the year including those regularly visiting loved ones graves and others who come researching family history and visiting family graves.

Council was contacted in January this year re the condition of the cemetery and was mowed several weeks later. This was greatly appreciated. On talking with reps of the Council we were advised that Council was negotiating a programme for the maintenance of all there cemeteries.

On visiting the cemetery during the past week we find the cemetery in a remarkable condition, something we should be proud of and thanks to the council for their commitment towards the mowing.

Old flowers and rubbish has recently been picked up and a bin is now available for purpose of old flowers etc.

We are looking at ways of having the water container filled for those putting in fresh flowers. If anyone who has a tank on a trailer and a pump who could oblige it would be greatly appreciated. This only holds 200litres and would only have to be filled once or twice a year.

Majors Creek Community Website

Have you looked at the Majors Creek Website?

The address is www.majorscreek.org.au

The site includes latest news in and around the Creek, Weather, Calendar of Events, Guest Book, Majors Creek Phone Directory, our latest Newsletter can be read and much more.

Our grateful thanks to Gordon Waters for his work in setting up and managing the website.

Children's Playground



The soft fall in the playground enclosure needs regular raking, help with this would be greatly appreciated. A rubbish bin has now been placed at the playground.

Local Happenings

Some residents do not receive mail at the Mail Agency and therefore don't receive letter drops etc advising of goings on in the village. Since last newsletter we see that letter boxes are appearing. To the different groups in the village please use these boxes to get the messages to those people. **Thank you.**

Justices of the Peace in the Village

Brian McDonald 48461157
Eilish Blakely-Kidd 48461215

Community Telephone Directory

Copies of the Community Telephone Directory are available by contacting
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Any additions or alterations will be appreciated.

*Our Newsletter can now be read on the Majors Creek
Community Website* www.majorscreek.org.au