

Cove News



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Men's Shed

I was pleasantly surprised at the interest and attendance for the public meeting held at the North Arm Cove Community Centre on Saturday 8 October... with approximately 14 people interested in the commencement of a Men's Shed in our village!

After the initial introductions, the camaraderie was forthcoming and it was a very pleasant and productive meeting. It was agreed that MidCoast Council would be approached regarding a possible obsolete work station / container with the possible siting of same adjacent to the Community Centre - where water, power, and facilities are already to hand. It was further agreed to arrange a site visit to the very successful purpose-built Men's Shed at Raymond Terrace to ascertain the scope, public liability insurance and potential grant funding.

If you are interested to join in and discovering more, you are very welcome to attend (first Saturday of the month) ...next meeting:

Saturday 5 November
North Arm Cove Community Centre
12 noon to 2 pm

Coffee in the Cove will remain open



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Community Garage Sale

NAC Community Centre grounds

Saturday 19 November
10 am – 2pm



Following the article in the October issue of Cove News on the Garage Sale Trail across NSW, North Arm Cove Community Management Committee will be hosting a Community Garage Sale on Saturday 19 November in the Community Centre grounds.

Everyone is welcome to join in and sell their items. However, we will require notice that you will be attending (*free of charge*) with your own table and items, as this will allow us to allocate space for you.

If you wish to participate, please contact:

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Email: loalconroy@yahoo.com.au

or log on to:

<https://garagesaletrail.com.au/sale/coffee-in-the-cove-garage-sale>

A great opportunity for you to de-clutter and sell your pre-loved goods... make a few dollars pocket money or find a bargain ... plus meet up with friends and neighbours whilst enjoying a BBQ or coffee / cake

from: *Coffee in the Cove*

The Australian Agricultural Company...

Further to my article (October 2022 issue, page 2), I received the following correspondence from John Blackburn (former long-time resident of North Arm Cove).

"I was pleased to read the history of the Cove in October issue of Cove News.

I purchased our home at North Arm Cove (NAC) in 2000 and retired there since 2004 - until we sold in 2020.

Before retirement, we had Tamworth district rural properties on Australian Agricultural Company (AA Coy) land so moved from one AA Coy location to another at NAC. One historic fact not widely known, is that the AA Coy swapped their one million acres at NAC for half a million acres over the range in Tamworth / Quirindi area.

When AA Coy moved their livestock from NAC to Gloucester, they then headed up into the mountains with shepherds driving the sheep and cattle mob ahead of them. Approaching the Nundle and Dungowan locations, the few local people on the western side of the range looked up and saw this body of livestock coming down from the mountain and guessed it was the people from Port Stephens. To this day, that road over the range where it drops down into the Tamworth district is known as the "Port Stephens cutting" - a long way from the real Port Stephens.

Most of the Burley Griffin roads at NAC bear names from the UK where the House of Lords shareholders came from. Those same locality names were then replanted into the New England area and it was interesting to us that at NAC, our nearest streets had the names of Tamworth, Limbri, Woolbrook etc, all locations where we had rural holdings, plus smaller holding on the Tamworth city boundary, most of which was originally settled by the AA Coy.

In my day the AA Coy was headquartered at Tamworth, under the control of the Schmidt family whose son Trevor, was at school with me in Sydney and went on to become Managing Director of AA Coy.

Since that time, whilst the AA Coy is still a public company listed on the Stock exchange, the larger shareholdings have changed somewhat having been one-time favourites of a South African legal family Holmes A Court, before moving on to control by an Australian Insurance company.

I believe Goonoo Goonoo has been owned by Newcastle Coal tycoon Tony Hegarty for last 10 years. However, the best land AA Coy owned in the district was "Windy Station" between Gunnedah and Quirindi which was sold to Korean interests and locally rumoured may be coming back on the market again.

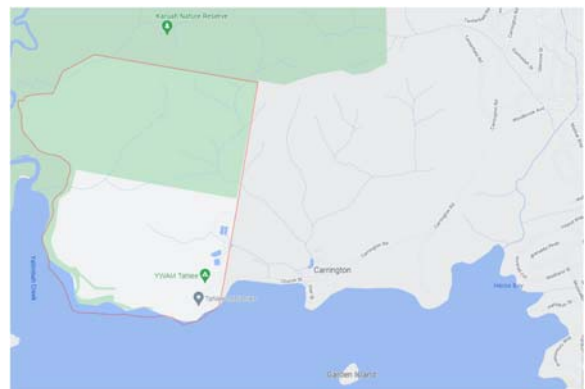
North Arm Cove and the "Australian Agricultural Company" have a rich intertwined history dating back to the earliest days of Australia's settlement. What a proud tradition that is to behold.

I have a long association with people who ran the AA Coy for many years, plus local contact "Betty" from Tahlee, who may or may not be there now. She showed me Mrs White's room where she lived and died; virtually untouched from when it happened. The Whites bought Tahlee after the AA Coy sold and moved on.

The White family (residue) lived on acres near my property at Tamworth. Old Colonel White was well respected there and in fact, going back very many years before that, Tony White and I both jackarooed on properties at Burren Junction in our youth.

Regards - John Blackburn" ©

Further reading of great interest, can be found at:
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tahlee>



Coffee in the Cove

North Arm Cove Community Centre, The Ridgeway

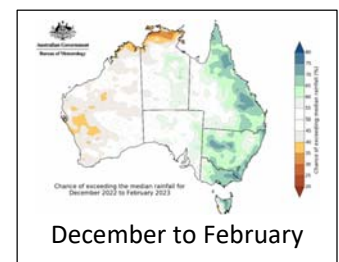
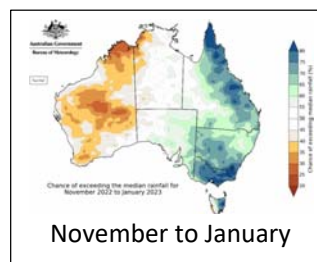
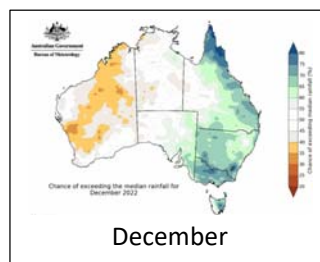
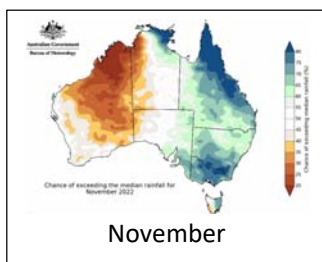
Saturdays – 10 am – 12 noon, Mondays and Thursdays 10 am until - 11 am

Barista style coffee, milk shakes, ham / cheese / tomato toasties, raisin toast, home-made cakes, scones with jam & cream, hot chocolate and much more!

Run by volunteers for the community – if you would like to join us in in volunteering, please call Robyn Gee on 0412 154 421

Wetter than average November to January likely for most of eastern Australia

- For the fortnight 31 October to 13 November, above median rainfall is likely (greater than 60% chance) for most of eastern Australia, increasing to very likely (greater than 80% chance) for north-east and far south-east parts of the mainland. Below median rainfall is likely (greater than 60%) for large parts of Western Australia extending into the western Northern Territory, increasing to very likely (greater than 80%) around the Kimberley.
- During that fortnight, parts of far northern Queensland have at least three times the average chance of unusually high rainfall (in the wettest 20% of fortnights at this time of year during 1981 to 2018), with chances being more than twice the average across the north-eastern tropics more broadly, and parts of far south-east Australia. North-western parts of the mainland have at least two times the chance of unusually low rainfall, increasing to at least three times around the Pilbara and Ningaloo coasts.
- For November, the long-range rainfall forecast is similar to that for the fortnight 31 October to 13 November. New South Wales generally has the highest chance of above median rainfall and of unusually high rainfall.
- Monthly outlooks are generally tending towards neutral conditions (i.e., not favouring above or below median rainfall) by January.
- For November to January as a whole, the rainfall outlook is similar to the outlook for November. The chance of above-median rainfall (including the chance of unusually high rainfall) over the north-eastern tropics is generally lower for the season as a whole than for November individually, whilst being higher over eastern Tasmania. The chance of below-median rainfall over Western Australia is also generally lower for the season, though it is more likely for the South West Land Division.



Courtesy: Australian Government - Bureau of Meteorology

<http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/ahead/outlooks/>

Activities at the Centre

Please ring Robyn Gee for bookings: 0412 154 421

MONDAY:

Zumba 9.00 – 10 a.m. - \$10 per class
 Contact: Jan Walker - 0411 433 181



WEDNESDAY:

Community Garden 8 – 10 a.m. 0490 080 795
 Contact: Bill Moller - Volunteers welcome



Stitch Gatherers – Third Wednesday of month
 Contact: Joan Williams - 4997 3438



THURSDAY:

Zumba 9 – 10 a.m. - \$10 per class
 Contact: Jan Walker - 0411 433 181



FRIDAY:

Pilates 7.30-8.15 am
 Contact: Sarah Kevin – 0413 153 363

Working Bee



Volunteers required...

Sunday 4 December

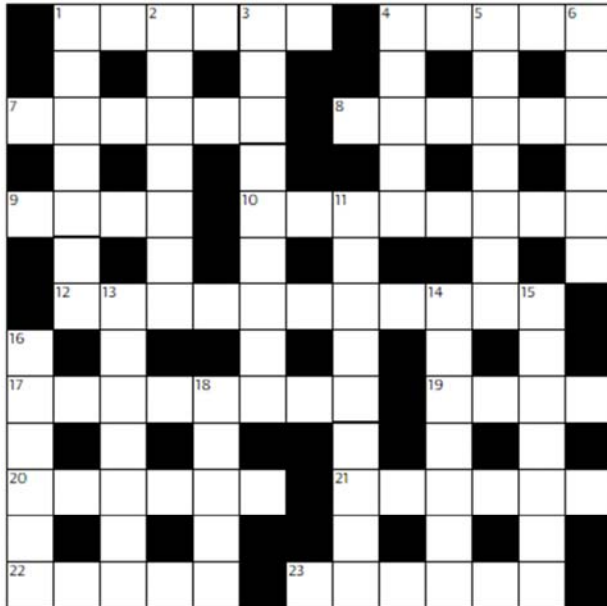
10 am – 2 pm

at the North Arm Cove Community Centre

Can you please assist us with
 cleaning outside the Community Centre?

We will be pressure washing the outside walls
 and tidying up the grounds

There will be a **free BBQ** for those that volunteer!



Across

- 1 Capitalise (on) (4,2)
- 4 Drawback that wasn't evident (5)
- 7 Small and delicate (6)
- 8 Country (6)
- 9 Three-handed card game (4)
- 10 Contrive (8)
- 12 Its juice is used to make grenadine (11)
- 17 Premature (8)
- 19 ___ Bay, Isle of Wight tourist spot, famous for its multi-coloured sand cliffs (4)
- 20 Strongly advising (6)
- 21 Yelp, no! (anag) – in public (6)
- 22 Henry or Bruce? (5)
- 23 Robust (6)

Down

- 1 Accumulate – tally (5,2)
- 2 Holy place (7)
- 3 Harvard University is the oldest in this group (3,6)
- 4 Omnivorous mammal of Central and South America (5)
- 5 Divide into three (7)
- 6 Ravenous (6)
- 11 Saucy vessel? (5,4)
- 13 Shape of Athens' Tower of the Winds (7)
- 14 Not professional (7)
- 15 In the same way (7)
- 16 Common to both (6)
- 18 Dirty and unappealing (informal) (5)

Royalty-free – courtesy The Guardian

solution inside last page - November 2022

A walk around the Cove...

Henriette Nolan, together with her husband Tim, often walk around our beautiful North Arm Cove and, especially now as we are into the Spring season. They recently noted that ducks have taken up residence and must be so happy as they have produced an abundance of ducklings!

However, they were amazed to find so much rubbish on a short half hour walk, along the Eastlope / Uralla / Market Street route. Well done to you both for removing the eye-sore and keeping our little slice of paradise beautiful!



Stitch Gatherers wind back the clock

After a couple of years of Covid restrictions, event cancellations and trying new formats, the North Arm Cove Stitch Gatherers have decided to go back to basics and May 2023 will see the return of their traditional **“Biggest Morning Tea”**.

Sandwiches, cakes, tea, and coffee are back on the menu and so is the craft competition, with the theme of **“Going Coastal.”** There will be one winner only for the item that best represents the area’s beautiful beaches, rivers, and coastal scenery.

Start planning your entry now – it can be made from any kind of material e.g., knitted, crocheted, sewn, painted, constructed. Let your imagination run riot. And guys, you’re welcome to have a crack at it too so get those woodworking tools out of the garage and start crafting. And for the men (who always seem a bit reluctant to attend), the Stitch Gatherers are thinking of including an outdoor sausage sizzle.

As well as entries for the craft competition, donations of other hand made goods will be welcome for sale on the day. All money raised will go to the **NSW Cancer Council.**

The Stitch Gatherers will be winding up the year in November with a well-earned lunch at Mumms on the Myall and will be back in February 2023.

We would love to see some new faces next year and you are welcome to come along on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and join a group of ladies who enjoy their craft, a good laugh and good company.

For further information contact:

Robin Mirabito - 0411 879 060

or

Annette Searle - 0414 723 248

CENTURY 21 COASTAL PROPERTIES



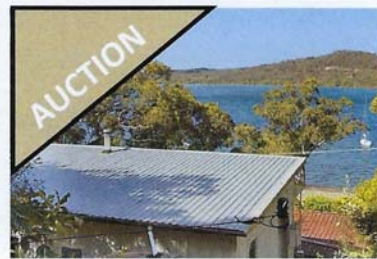
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**First Friday Flicks:
Downton Abbey: A New Era - Tea Gardens**



About the film...

The Crawley family goes on a grand journey to the South of France to uncover the mystery of the dowager countess's newly inherited villa.

Date and Time:

Friday 4 November 2022, 2.00 – 4.00 pm AEDT

Location:

Tea Gardens Library, 135 Marine Drive,
Tea Gardens, NSW 2324

LIBRARY

Could we please ask that you **do not** leave any more books in the outside Library area of the Community Centre during November... we are over-run at the moment. Many thanks.

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Advertising in Cove News...

There are numerous AirBnB properties within North Arm Cove and many more holiday homes – it is a great way for local businesses to capture clientele. A monthly advert in Cove News: \$5.00 per month or \$50.00 for 11 issues (not printed in January). This would equate to a width of 8.5 cm and depth of 5.5 cm.

Variations negotiable. Circulation currently at 460 (280 letterbox drops in NAC, 100 dropped to various business points) plus 80 via email covering NAC, Karuah, Tea Gardens, Sydney and beyond.

Close off for December issue: **28 November 2022**

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Sign up for Community Directory:

Name:(print).....

Phone Number:

Sign up for Cove News via Email:

I will send outwish to receive Cove News via email.

(to those who wish / reside in or outside North Arm Cove. Please complete this form if you have not completed already).

Name: (print).....

Email:

(not for publication)

Complete and detach along dotted line - forms can be placed in the letterbox at the Community Centre.

Solution to crossword on page 4...



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Tuesday 15 November – Red and Green
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29 October 2022

Dear North Arm Cove resident,

Notification of NACCAi Ordinary Meeting and Annual General Meeting 12 November

This is a reminder that the association is holding its last Ordinary Meeting for 2022 and the 2022 Annual General Meeting on Saturday 12 November 2022 at the North Arm Cove Community Centre from 2pm to 4pm.

Members and non-member residents of North Arm Cove village are encouraged to attend. New residents are particularly invited to come along and meet some more people from your community and share the vision of our area's preservation and maintenance.

If you would like to find out more about what's happening in the Cove, or have suggestions or ideas on improving our village, or just have some questions about living here, please come along to the meetings and then stay for a cuppa and a chat afterwards.

Some of the issues we will be discussing in the Ordinary Meeting are the jetty proposal, discussions with MidCoast Council on improving our reserves, the rural strategy and the new LEP, compliance issues, roads and drainage, and the Yallarwah Park exercise track installation.

The association represents the community voice to Council and engages in fund raising for community improvements. We also engage with the planning and future rezoning proposals being developed by Council for the area that impacts on North Arm Cove and surrounds.

The Ordinary Meeting will take place from 2 to 3:30 pm, and the Annual General Meeting from 3:30 to 4pm.

- In the Annual General Meeting all seven committee positions will be declared vacant, with nominations taken for all positions for the next year.
- We are always looking for diversity and new participants to join the committee, especially younger residents with an interest in our community and our local environment. If you would like to consider joining the committee, please call me on 0419 475 496 for a chat.
- The agenda for the Annual General Meeting, and a nomination form for committee positions, have been posted on our website – northarmcove.nsw.au.
- The agenda for the Ordinary Meeting will be emailed to members and posted on the website about five days before the meeting.
- If you are not a member and would like to join, you can download a membership form from our website.

I hope you can come along and join us on the 12th - you don't have to worry about being pressured to nominate for a committee role, that won't be happening!

Kind regards,

Bob Reid

President