

NEWS BOWL

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BURNS BAY **Big Band** Return to the BOWLO

The Burns Bay Big Band will be performing in the forecourt of the Club on Sunday December 5th from 4.00pm.



The Lane Cove Concert Band consists of the Cameraygal Wind Symphony (MD Gavin Staines), Turrumburra Concert Band (MD Megan Lipworth) and the Karingal Concert Band (MD Dan Williams). Subsidiary groups include Stringybark Jazz (Bob Pritchard), Burns Bay Big Band (Jeff Camilleri) Tambourine Bay Winds (David Braybrook).

BOWLING RESULTS

Wednesday 24 November 2021

Social

Harry Fox, Maureen Cosby & Phil Wade 19 defeated Len Hattersley, Stephen Brouggy & Bob Patterson 16;

Craig Marriott, David Madson & Rex Johnston 27 defeated Monica Smith, David Erskine & Simon Creedy 19;

Stuart Smith & Mal Knight 33 defeated Vic Solway & Bevan Piper 16; and Ole Hostrup & Greg Moon 18 defeated Maureen Terrey & Ray Moran 11.

Saturday 27 November 2021

Social - Play abandoned due to poor weather conditions

BOWLING PROGRAMME 2021-2022 (Significant Dates)

Date	Event
TBA	Major Triples – Semi-finals
TBA	Major Pairs – Final
TBA	Major Triples – Final
12 th January 22	Entries close for Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples
9 th February	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Round 1
16 th February	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Round 2
26 th February	2021 Zone 9 Triples - Sectional
27 th February	2021 Zone 9 Triples - Sectional
2 nd March	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Round 3
5 th March	2021 Zone 9 Triples – Semi-finals and final
9 th March	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Round 4
12 th March	Entries close for Zone 9 CoCC Singles
16 th March	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Round 5
19 th March	Entries close for Zone 9 CoCC Pairs
30 th March	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Round 6
2 nd April	2021 Zone 9 CoCC Singles R1 & R2
3 rd April	2021 Zone 9 CoCC Singles R3 & R4
6 th April	Zone 9 Mid-Week Triples Play-off
23 rd April	2021 Zone 9 CoCC Pairs R1 & R2
24 th April	2021 Zone 9 CoCC Pairs R3 & R4
13 th June	Entries close Men’s Pennant
13 th August	Zone 9 Men’s Pennant Round 1

ROSEVILLE SHIELD

The Roseville Shield scheduled for last Saturday was washed out. At the time of publication it was not known if the event was going to be rescheduled or abandoned.



BIRTHDAYS: “They tell you that you’ll lose your mind when you grow older. What they don’t tell you is that you won’t miss it very much.” - Malcolm Cowley

John Lloyd has his birthday on Wednesday 1st and was born on the same day as Arjuna Ranatunga.

No. 1 song on the charts was *Dominique* sung by The Singing Nun.

BIRTHDAYS: A delicious history

The ancient Egyptians are credited with “inventing” the celebration of birthdays. They believed when pharaohs were crowned, they became gods, so their coronation day was a pretty big deal. That was their “birth” as a god.

Ancient Greeks borrowed the tradition but rightfully realized that a dessert would make the celebration all the more meaningful. So, they baked moon-shaped cakes to offer up to Artemis, goddess of the moon, as a tribute. They decorated them with lit candles to make the cakes shine like the moon. Hence, the reason we light our birthday cake candles.

Modern birthday parties are said to get their roots from the 18th-century German celebration “Kinderfeste.” On the morning of a child’s birthday, he or she would receive a cake with lighted candles that added up to the kid’s age, plus one. This extra candle was called the “light of life,” representing the hope of another full year lived.

ON TELEVISION



Horse Racing – Mudgee Cup

Horse Racing – Cooma Cup

The Bowls Show - SBS 1.00pm

Riddle: What is harder to catch the faster you run? (Answer page 12)

WHY IS THERE NO PLATFORM NO. 1 AT ST. LEONARDS STATION?

The original St Leonards Station was built in 1890 on its current location north of the Pacific Highway. However, in 1989 it was relocated to a temporary station south of the Pacific Highway so that a new station could be constructed. This was completed in the year 2000.

Meanwhile, in 1998, the government announced it would build the Parramatta Rail Link. This would start at Parramatta, connect up to the Carlingford Line, then travel through a tunnel to Chatswood via Epping, before continuing South to St Leonards. Part of this was an amplification of the track between St Leonards and Chatswood, from 2 tracks to 4, in order to allow trains from Parramatta to terminate at St Leonards and turn around to go back to Parramatta without disrupting trains on the North Shore Line.

However, budgetary constraints meant that the Epping to Parramatta portion of the line was cancelled in 2003, as was the quadruplication of the Chatswood to St Leonards portion. But the new St Leonards Station had opened 3 years earlier, to the specification of and with the expectation that it would be a 4 platform station, not just a 2 platform station. Hence, while only the inner 2 platforms (2 and 3) have tracks on them, the 2 outer platforms (1 and 4) have no tracks and a fence to keep people out.

Today the Chatswood to St Leonards quadruplication is set to form the start of the



Second Harbour Rail Crossing (and the only part that will be above ground), a new rail line connecting Redfern to Chatswood. It will then connect to the Northwest Rail Link on the Northern end, and the Bankstown and Illawarra Lines on the Southern end (but only through to Cabramatta/Lidcombe and Hurstville respectively).

Australia - Statistics & Facts

With an area of approximately 7.7 million square kilometres, Australia is the sixth – largest country in the world. In comparison to its size, the total population of Australia is rather small in numbers, amounting to only 24 million inhabitants in 2017 and increased by slightly over 25 million in 2020. Australia’s biggest city is Sydney, followed by Melbourne and Brisbane. Since over 85 percent of the population live in cities, Australia is among the countries with the highest degree of urbanization. Australia has a high standard of living: In 2015, it ranked second on the Human Development Index, and as of 2016, its life expectancy is one of the highest worldwide with 82.5 years.

Among the biggest economies worldwide, Australia ranks 13th, with a gross domestic product (GDP) of approximately 1.38 trillion U.S. dollars in 2017. Its GDP per capita thus amounted to approximately 55,693 U.S. dollars the same year. Australia’s economic growth amounted to 2.22 percent in 2017 and is estimated to increase again. The country's unemployment rate is expected to decline as well.

In 2017, Australia exported goods worth about 321 billion U.S. dollars, and imported goods worth approximately 229 billion U.S. dollars, a significant decline from previous years. Its most important trade partner for import and export is China.

Australia: National debt from 2016 to 2026* (in billion U.S. dollars)

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
US billion\$	533	574	612	734	961	1168	1295	1368	1415	1458	1506

The statistic shows the national debt of Australia from 2016 to 2019, with projections up until 2026. In 2019, the national debt of Australia amounted to around 734.42 billion U.S. dollars.

AUSSIE DESTINATIONS - Capertee, NSW

Access point to Capertee Valley, the second largest canyon on the planet.



Capertee is a quiet village on the Castlereagh Highway between Lithgow and Mudgee. Its primary appeal lies in its proximity to the fascinating shale mining ghost town of Glen Davis and its access to the beautiful Gardens of Stone National Park and the impressive Capertee Valley. Capertree has a population of 145 (2016 census).

Location

Capertee is located 183 km north-west of Sydney via the Great Western and Castlereagh Highway. It is 46 km north of Lithgow and 84 km southeast of Mudgee.

Origin of Name

It is accepted that Capertee is a corruption of Capita which was the name given, in the 1820s, to his nearby property by the wealthy grazier, Sir John Jamison.

Pearsons Lookout



Located 2 km south of Capertee on the Castlereagh Highway is Pearsons Lookout. It provides the best views over the Capertree Valley to the east. The valley, which is 30 km across, is recognised as the world's second largest canyon. It is hard to imagine but underneath the valley is a vast layer of coal and oil shale.

Capertee Village



Capertee is one of those villages where everything is centred around the main road and where it is spread along that road. It is there to cater from travellers. There's a school, a police station, the adjacent courthouse, a memorial hall, a bushfire brigade, a post office, a railway station just off the highway, the pub, a garage and a couple of tiny churches. The Royal Hotel, the solitary pub on the main road, came into existence around 1870. It was burned down twice and the present structure which was built in the 1930s incorporates some of the sandstone from the second building (c. 1895).

The school was opened in 1882, although the present schoolhouse dates from 1923. The Kookaburra army recruiting march of 1916 camped on the floor of the Capertee school en route to Sydney. The memorial hall was built in 1951 as a tribute to the 80 men who enlisted in the wars of the 20th century. The bricks were collected from the abandoned shale refining retorts at neighbouring Torbane. The old lock-up (1897) can still be seen behind the modern police station.

Gardens of Stone National Park

The Gardens of Stone National Park is an inaccessible, but spectacular park, which is 177 km from Sydney via the Great Western and Castlereagh Highways. Access to the park is via a 4WD road at Ben Bullen. It leads through to the Wolgan Valley Road which heads north-east from Lidsdale (on the Castlereagh Highway) to the historic mining settlement at Newnes.

Quite unlike the rest of the Blue Mountains (it is at the very edge of the mountains) the Gardens of Stone National Park is a very beautiful wilderness area of limestone outcrops, precipitous sandstone cliffs, pagoda-like rock formations and a diversity of fauna and flora. The area is ideal for bushwalking, particularly in the MacLeans Pass area and around Donkey Pass, although there are no marked trails or facilities. You can walk to Pantoneys Crown from Baal Bone Gap.

Capertee Valley

The best view of the Capertree Valley is from Pearson's Lookout on the Castlereagh Highway between Capertee and Cullen Bullen. And the best access point is the Glen Davis Road which heads north and east out of Capertee.

The valley's main claim to fame is that it is the world's second largest canyon and it is almost one kilometre longer than US's Grand Canyon.

Capertee's sandstone escarpments soar hundreds of metres and encircle the valley from south of Mount Marsden near the town of Capertee all the way to the mining ghost town of Glen Davis. At its widest point the escarpments are in excess of 30 km from north to south.

One of the most impressive features is Pantoneys Crown, a sandstone monolith, a kind of mesa, which is the centrepiece of Pantoneys Crown Nature Reserve, a 3,230 ha area surrounding Pantoneys Crown (it is now part of the Gardens of Stone National Park) which dominates the western end of the valley. It is a column-like, flat-topped mountain, named after William Pantoney, one of the members of the first European expedition through the area - the expedition of James Blackman in 1821. In comparison to the Blue Mountains National Park Capertee Valley is no less impressive. It is characterised by slot canyons, its dramatic and untouched scenery, its billabongs lined with water reeds, its banded granite outcrops and its Aboriginal rock art of stencilled hands, boomerangs and throwing sticks painted by the local Wiradjuri people. Small clearings like Heffron's Hole were once prized by bushrangers, who hid their stolen cattle there as recently as the 1920s.

Glen Davis



The valley became important in the 1930s when it was realised that it had vast oil shale reserve. The road through the valley reaches the ghost town of Glen Davis which was built in the late 1930s to service the mining of the oil shale industry. Glen Davis, an old shale-mining ghost town on the Capertee River, is located 35 km east of Capertee on the eastern rim of the Capertee Valley.

The first mining tunnel, established in 1881, later became the basis of the major mining enterprise which opened in 1938. The Post Office was opened the following year. A town of some 2,500 people developed around the mine, which was named Glen Davis after the Davis Gelatine interests who headed the mining consortium. The operation closed down in 1952 due to high costs and the increasingly small output, leaving what remains today - a fascinating ghost town characterised by crumbling furnace ruins, retorts and collapsed shafts covered in vegetation and surrounded by steep sandstone cliffs and a profuse array of birdlife.

History

- * The first European in the district was James Blackman who surveyed a roadway from Wallerawang to Mudgee in 1821.
- * The explorer, William Lawson, was in the area by 1822.
- * Allan Cunningham, the well known explorer, investigated the flora and fauna of the area in 1822-23.
- * Sir John Jamison established a large cattle station in the district in the 1820s. It was called 'Capita'.
- * The Corlis and Gallagher families took up land in the valley in the late 1840s.
- * A source of good water was found near the intersection of the roads north to Mudgee and east into the valley. It became known as Capertee Camp.
- * In 1851 a 48 kg gold nugget was discovered in the area by an Aboriginal prospector and other finds were then made on the Turon River and nearby creeks.
- * Around 1865 the local grazier, B R McLean, discovered oil shale in Capertee Valley.
- * By 1870 Capertee village was growing around James Shervey's Inn at Capertee Camp.
- * A post office opened in 1875.
- * By 1880 there were only a dozen buildings in the village.
- * The railway arrived from Wallerawang in 1882.
- * A school, initially in the form of a tent, was established. It was replaced by a pre-fab building in 1883.
- * Oil shale was discovered on the future site of Glen Davis in 1873.
- * The first mining tunnel at Glen Davis was established in 1881.

- * Mines began to open around Capertee in the 1890s, including one on Blackman's Crown.
- * By 1898 about 200 men were working on the Torbane project near Capertee. Between 1896 and 1903 about 140 000 tons of oil shale were extracted.
- * Shale production went into decline around 1903.
- * By 1913 work at the mines in the district had virtually ceased.
- * Enrolment at the school peaked at 82 in 1920.
- * In 1924 a new company built an aerial railway to the Torbane siding and established a retort.
- * A committee was set up in 1933 to investigate the feasibility of reopening Glen Davis. Its report in 1934 led to the formation of National Oil Proprietary Ltd (NOP) in 1937.
- * The works at Glen Davis were opened in 1938 and a town of about 2500 people quickly developed around the works which employed 1600 people at their peak in the 1940s.
- * Glen Davis was in decline by 1949. Costs were high, output was low and cheap crude oil was available from the Middle East.
- * Glen Davis was closed in 1952.
- * The machinery from Glen Davis was stripped in 1953.
- * In the 1970s, some of the old properties were subdivided and sold as hobby farms and retirement retreats to city dwellers, bringing people into the valley, though mostly at weekends.



- * When oil prices increased after 1975, coalmining took an upturn and new mines opened.
- * An open-cut gold mine briefly operated on top of a mesa in the valley though it closed in the early 1980s due to the collapse of gold prices.

WORD OF THE WEEK: PICAROON (noun) – A rogue, scoundrel or pirate

IDIOM OF THE WEEK: Flattery will get you nowhere. - Flattering will not increase your chances of success.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: “Narcissists are very retaliative if they believe another has achieved what they desire, exposed their insecurities, or refused to be under their control.” — Lorraine Nilon

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: “Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are.” —Harold S. Kushner.

A WIDE VIEW: ‘Nothing more completely baffles one who is full of trick and duplicity, than straightforward and simple integrity in another.’ - Charles Caleb Colton

WICKED WORDS: "The creative person is both more primitive and more cultivated, more destructive, a lot madder and a lot saner, than the average person." - Frank Barron.

A NOVEL NOTE: "Some are born mad, some achieve madness, and some have madness thrust upon 'em." - Emilie Autumn, *'The Asylum For Wayward Victorian Girls'*.

DID YOU KNOW: The Wieliczka Salt Mine is one of the most beautiful sites in Poland! Wieliczka is the only mining site in the world functioning continuously since the Middle Ages to the present. Salts extracted in the Wieliczka Salt Mine come from the Miocene (the first geological epoch of the Neogene Period and extends from about 23.03 to 5.333 million years ago) and the whole mine has 9 levels? The wonderful chambers, corridors and hatchways all made of salt together with the remarkable history made Wieliczka Salt Mine one of the UNESCO heritages.

FUN FACT: The shortest – and longest – reigning monarchs. Portugal holds the record for the shortest and longest-reigning monarchs. Henrique of Portugal was the king of Portugal for more than 73 years. Luis Filipe, on the other hand, was king for only 20 minutes.

SHE SAID IT: “A wise girl kisses but doesn't love, listens but doesn't believe, and leaves before she is left.” — Marilyn Monroe

HE SAID IT: “I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.” — Al Pacino

JOKE OF THE WEEK: Four nuns were attending a rugby game. Four men were sitting directly behind them.



Because their habits were partially blocking the view, the men decided to hassle the nuns hoping that they'd get annoyed enough to move to another area.

In a very loud voice, the first bloke said, "I think I'm going to move to Adelaide. There are only 100 nuns living there."

Then the second bloke spoke up and said, "I want to go to Victoria, there are only 75 nuns living there."

The third bloke said, "I want to go to Queensland, there are only 50 nuns living there."





The fourth bloke said, "I want to go to Tasmania. There are only 25 nuns living there."

The mother superior turned around, looked at the men, and in a very sweet and calm voice said, "Why don't you go to hell, there aren't any nuns there!"

TICKLES CORNER



WHEN WE WERE YOUNGER...

			
HEAD	SHOULDERS	KNEES and	TOES

WHEN WE ARE OLDER...

			
SPECS	HAND BAG	KEYS and	PHONE

BEST LINE _____ **S**
1963 **IT'S A MAD, MAD, MAD, MAD WORLD** **1963**



After a long prison sentence Smiler Grogan is heading at high speed to a California park where he hid \$350,000 from a job 15 years previously. He accidentally careens over a cliff in view of four cars whose occupants go down to help. The dying Grogan gives details of where the money is buried and when the witnesses fail to agree on sharing the cash, a crazy chase develops across the state.

Sylvester Marcus: Mama, who's with you? Where are you talking to me... Where are you?

Mrs. Marcus: I'm with this truck driver in Peterson's garage in a place called Plaster City. And will you just shut up a minute so I can tell you what happened?

Sylvester Marcus: Now listen to me, Mommy, listen to me close. You stay right there, because I'm coming, Mom. I'm coming to get you.

Mrs. Marcus: Will you SHUT UP AND LISTEN?

CAST: Spencer Tracy (Capt. T. G. Culpepper) Milton Berle (J. Russell Finch) Sid Caesar (Melville Crump) Buddy Hackett (Benjy Benjamin) Ethel Merman (Mrs. Marcus)

Riddle: Your breath.



1. Which iconic Australian landmark is the world's largest war memorial?
2. Where was the first Australian Lifesaving Club founded?
3. Which is the longest river in Australia?
4. Where is Australia's largest eco-system?
5. Which famous 'Australian Beer' is not actually drunk (or even brewed) in Australia?

Answers: 1 The Great Ocean Road. 2 Bondi Beach (in 1906). 3 Murray River. 4 Queensland's Great Barrier Reef. 5 Fosters.

LANE COVE BOWLING AND RECREATION CLUB



WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2021

6.00 p.m. for 6.30 p.m

Welcome glass of bubbly

Canapes

Peeled Prawns with Lime Leaf Aioli

Chicken Pate & Crostini with Cornichons

Tartlets with Avocado, Dried Tomatoes & Dukka (veg)

Main

Carved and glazed ham with mustard and pickles

Roasted Turkey, Stuffing & Cranberry Relish

Christmas Roasted Spuds, Pumpkin, Seasonal Greens & Christmas
Gravy, plated & served hot.

Includes Christmas Pudding, Custard & Redcurrants

Chocolates

\$50 per person

Bookings over the bar or telephone Michelle 9420 5793

RAFFLES EVERY FRIDAY

Tickets @ \$2 each on sale from 5.30 p.m.

Draw starts at 6.15 p.m.



MEAT AND WINE

QUALITY MEAT TRAYS

BOTTLES OF WINE

PLUS

BONUS DRAW FOR

GOURMET MEAT TRAY

BONUS - 1 draw for all tickets purchased in that night's raffle –the winner gets the gourmet meat tray.



**DRAWN AFTER THE RAFFLE ON WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS
(APPROXIMATELY 4.30PM-5.00PM) - WINNER MUST BE AT THE CLUB**