

Wallaga Lake Heights community newsletter 12, 8 November 2020

# Breaking news: Heights Care has a web site

Since starting on the project to care for the residents and environment of Wallaga Lake Heights, we wanted to save the information we are gathering. And making that readily available. As we've been clearing weeds and starting to plant we've been gathering information on plants truly indigenous to Wallaga Lake and the large array of weeds. How to make this available?

Alison Kuiter, before returning to Victoria to reconnect with family, had taken hundreds of photographs of plants, annotated them with their common and scientific names and posted them to a draft web site. To this have been added the monthly bird survey results from Barry Virtue, birder extraordinary. Ann-Maree has taken up managing the website – our sincerest thanks to both of them. So please do have a look at:

http://www.wallagalakeheightscare.com/.

Please submit any photos, news, comments or ideas to Ann-Maree at <u>ann.menager@hotmail.com</u>.

# Let's have another party to celebrate the spring!

We've not had a chance to get together since before the 'rona virus descended on us in April and we're hoping to do so again in early December. So we're delighted that Sue and Carl Swensson have kindly offered to host a gathering at 19 Lake View Drive from 4 to 6 pm on Sunday 6 December.

With current NSW rules limiting us to 20 people in a gathering at home and the 4 square metre per person still in place we are pretty constrained at present. Sue and Carl's place is likely to cope with the numbers who are likely to turn up. If you think you'll be able to come along please email them on <u>sue.swensson@bigpond.com</u>.

# Keeping the lights on

We in WLH remember the eight days without power in the new year, candles, food defrosting, intermittent mobile coverage and warm beer. Cobargo, Quaama and surrounds suffered this and immeasurable more. With input from Clean Energy for Eternity Bermagui and many others, the newly-formed Cobargo and Region Energy Transition group (CaRET) has issued a survey for people in the area. They would be delighted if we could contribute as set out in the email below.

### RENEWABLE AND RESILIENT ENERGY FOR COBARGO AND THE REGION



Memories of Cobargo by Shirleyanne Myers, Lazy Lizard Gallery

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EnergyResilienceCobargoQuaama

The Cobargo and Region Energy Transition (CaRET) team has funding from the NSW Government Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to investigate the potential for renewable energy to provide reliable and affordable energy for businesses, farms, homes and authorities in Cobargo, Quaama and the surrounding district.

We need to work out how much local renewable energy and batteries are needed to provide greater energy resilience and security in response to events ranging from short-term blackouts (eg a branch falling on a line) through to longer term problems associated with fires and other natural disasters, extreme weather events or climate impacts.

Please help us to collect this information by filling in this survey. Contributions are welcome from all living in Cobargo, Quaama and the localities, plus Tilba and Bermagui. The information will be kept confidential. The more returns, the better the data. Survey will close on 27 November.

Our work is supported by the Bega Valley Shire Council.

Many thanks Zena Armstrong, CaRET

### Best wishes, Heights Care steering group,

Roz Bannon Libby Bolton Peter Campbell Ivana Gattegno Alison Kuiter Doug Mein Bill Southwood