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ADVICE OF ATTENDANCE

Please advise either to Lew Parsons at 8725 2711 or to Maurie Drewer as per the advices in the Purrer, usually by the prior Friday.

Gurdon Tails, the Gurdon awaits your confidential advices.

- * **Club Subscriptions.** If paying direct by credit please advise dajadid@westnet.com.au by e-mail quoting invoice number. Please pay up when invoiced.
- * <http://www.hoo-hoo.org/> and <http://www.hoo-hoo.org/log-tally.html> are contacts for the HHI Website and Log and Tally.
- * **Purrer copy** to brsjpage@bigpond.com. Circulation matches Directory plus some.
- * **Purrer Editorial Policy!**, is "never let the truth get in the way of a good story". Gurdon Greg Richardson welcomes good stories. Discretion as to the source is perhaps assured.
- * **HHI Website.** Go to www.hoo-hoo.org and the HHI Home Page then Claim Account. The HHI Log and Tally new edition confirmation has just been received.
- * **50 years ago, Border Watch 30/09.** A South African Timber Party visited, 21 of the Lumber Milling Association. They visited Plantations, Softwoods Lakeside, State Sawmill in Mount Gambier, Panelboard, Dartmoor, Mount Gambier Pine Industries, Apcel and elsewhere. Radiata was a well accepted structural timber in South Africa. This was well received by all parties.
- * **Short note about Einstein.** His **definition of insanity** is doing the same thing over and over, expecting different results. Peter Costello, past Treasurer added, if this is true, the Reserve Bank Governors are well and truly qualified for a padded cell! They are doing the same thing, reducing interest rates, with little outcomes on the real economy. The Reserve Bank soon after agreed that it is now unable to do any more by these measures.
- * **Comment on local Television.** Somone actually found TV educational. The minute, someone turned on the TV, this person then read a book, borrowed from the local Library!
- * **Our treasurer Dave Didwell** updated September finances, up a whopping \$2.50 more than the August Balance. Thanks Dave for your usual great efficiency
- * **Death Notice** in the Border Watch, Nana Ollerenshaw passed away 29/09 aged 76. She was the wife of **Stephen Ollerenshaw**, a past chief Forester at Softwood Holdings, who was later transferred to Currimindi in Queensland. A sad note at this time, was a staff person working for Steve, was called up and served in Vietnam, but lost his life in action.

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NEXT MEETING.

Our Xmas meeting will be Sunday 8th December 2019 for Lunch at Laurie and Chris Judd's and tasting of your best red is looked forward to.
The Gurdon may assess wine quality and act appropriately!
Address 24 Lake Terrace East, Mount Gambier.
The Club will supply some food. Food needs to be outlined. Time. Drinks outlined.
Salads and Sweets will be sorted out with Ladies once numbers are known.

Please advise Lew or Maurie asap if you can at contacts above.

A DATE OF DECEMBER 4TH IS THE LAST RESPONSE DATE!!

The Robe Weekend is in the first quarter 2020, dates yet to be set.

KOONDROOK OCTOBER 12-14, 2019.

9 couples attended from three Clubs. The Hosts made it a great weekend of fellowship and the weather was great. Large meals across from the park and avoided the risk of breath testing! The inaugural Jenjo Cornhole Challenge was won by Ben Lord. Murray and Margaret from the Park arranged the challenge. This was the same as the NZ Convention Challenge. The camp kitchen was well worked and a campfire was enjoyed each night with fraternal refreshments flowing. Next year is looked forward to very much so. Dave Didwell also emailed similar comment

HUGE FOREST INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENTS ANNOUNCED.

The Border Watch on September 25 -26 announced forward plans in the Mount Gambier Region. A \$1 Billion forest agenda was outlined. Nine regional timber companies united in un-precedented approaches to forest growth plans and sustainable regional wood fibre supply for building and timber products. The local industry in SA and nearby Victoria provides more than 7,000 jobs. If implemented, this region will come the "fibre bowl" of Australia. Working closely with all parts of the region is a core of the overall plan.

Bio-Energy initiatives using surplus wood fibre on a commercial scale can use other fibre wastes. Norway and Baltic countries use power production to run pulp and paper mills. Norway burns all waste products including plastics to generate power. This might be an approach to local waste accumulation problems. Charcoal called bio-char, is starting to be used on a huge scale. The sustainability of our industry is a key to reducing carbon dioxide levels, and the only land-based industry reducing loss of local fauna and animals.

Our region is hosting much development. The City Council Olympic Park development is open for tenders. The ALDI site is a show of local development capacity. Mt Gambier Airport is under way with runway extensions and new terminal. A major development to the east fringe of Mount Gambier includes a major roadhouse and industrial site development. A major development is underway north west of the city adjacent to extensive developments. Many smaller developments are planned or underway, including petrol stations and fast food places. A small brewery is being launched adjacent to the Railway Lands where our Club assisted the wetland and tree needs, gaining JIV and HHI awards for our club.

A climatologist said regional rainfall was "dropping of a cliff" needing diversification of all forms of primary production. Power production can be from any waste heat, eg KCA has a small power unit. Our Club once hosted a meeting about fluid bed systems, and burning wood waste for any use, including power generation. It seems small localized power production systems, are very prospective.

HHI GURDON FOREST FESTIVAL OCTOBER 15, 2019.

An email from HHI 24/09, probably went to all members. This was held at Gurdon, Arkansas. Tentative program was Pancake Breakfast, Parade, Lunch, Kids Costume Judging, Auction and Chilli Dinner at the Hoo-Hoo Museum. Looks like a very fraternal day was had. Details included nearest airport and accommodation.

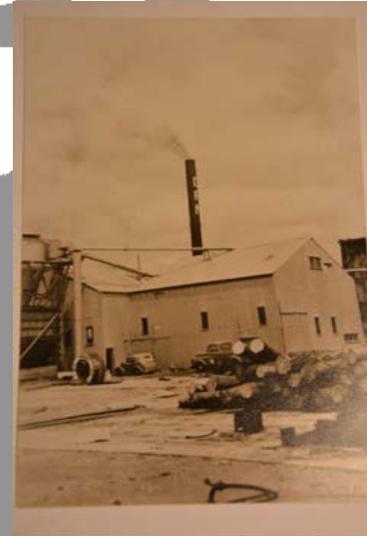
FENNEL LOGGING TRUCK PULL CHALLENGE.

This annual and seventh event was held at the Mount Gambier Showground to raise funds for Variety SA. This will add further funds to the \$115,00 raised over past time. Wendy Fennell was the event organizer. Congratulations on a great event

JEREMY CAMERON AND GWS, IN THE AFL GRAND FINAL.

Jeremy Cameron and the Giants were in the Grand Final and he had his mother Kelly, father Leon, sister Tabitha and brother Travis at the MCG. Reports BW 27th September, gave wonderful coverage of Jeremy. Jeremy has put Dartmoor on the map. Dartmoor was a sawmill site becoming part of Softwood Holdings. Other assets were MIS Forests, owned by The Forestry Pulp and Paper Company. One might assume earlier members of the Cameron family possibly had employment in the mill, in the forests or with the MIS Forests Company. The family recently moved to Mount Gambier for employment reasons. Current population of Dartmoor is 320 people.

Unfortunately, the game was a nightmare for the Giants.



Dartmoor Sawmill about 1942



FPPC Document for 1 acre of MIS Forest.

CALIFORNIAN FIRES BLACK OUT POWER TO 200,000 HOMES

The Sierra Foothills, and north of San Francisco were suffering wildfires in gusty conditions in October. Power had to be turned off where falling trees could damage power lines. Over 200,000 homes were now in these fire zones. Undergrounding power lines is a reduction of risk, and perhaps should have been done as new homes were erected over time. We off course hope the Black Bart Club at Vallejo, in these regions and its members are not affected. Earthquakes a few years ago affected the same region.

I AM HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO SEND OUT THE PURRER!

My laptop computer crashed and had to be replaced. My computer guy got it going with reduced capacity till the new laptop was installed, Thursday 17th October. Transfer of data, accounting software and contacts etc is I hope OK and took until after 24th October. I am still trying to sort out Windows 10 and how to use this beastie. It was very slow going. Jobs like this are needed like a hole in the head. It has been enormously time consuming. Time will tell if all goes well? Emailing the Purrer is a serious test!