



COMMUNITY

BULLETIN

BONG BONG PICNIC RACES 2015



The Bong Bong Picnic Race Club was formed in 1886. The first Bong Bong Cup was held in the grounds of Throsby Park and was won by Don Antonio.



Lee Webb (Guest), Claudia Farrar (Hume Coal).

For many years now the meeting has been conducted at "Wyeera", an aboriginal word meaning "turning of the soil".

By the 1980s Bong Bong was the largest picnic race meeting in the world. At a time when race crowds were declining Bong

Bong's were increasing reaching almost 35,000 in 1985.

This year's Bong Bong Picnic Race Club was held on November 20th, 2015 and the day was themed around Gallipoli and had a commemorative focus on Horses in War. Hume Coal hosted 40 respected members of the community in a marquee and provided delicious catering and drinks for a fun filled afternoon of racing. It was a huge success and Hume Coal received some great feedback from those invited.

It was also a great opportunity for Hume Coal to provide information on a project that will bring significant social and economic benefits to the region. We understand the importance of protecting and preserving the local environment.

As a local Southern Highlands business ourselves, we look forward to being able to participate in more events such as this in the coming years.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment



Archaeologist and local Indigenous representatives undertaking archaeological surveys.

Hume Coal has been consulting with the local indigenous groups since 2012 and has a comprehensive program for investigating Aboriginal Cultural Heritage sites. The company has undertaken heritage surveys in cooperation with local aboriginal groups.

The Hume Coal Project is working with a variety of cultural and historical groups to gain a full understanding of these sites as the project progresses.



HOW CAN YOU FIND OUT MORE

The Community Liaison Team can also be reached at **(02) 4868 1233** or by visiting our community office on the corner of Argyle and Valetta Street, Moss Vale. Our office is open Tuesday to Thursday from 10am to 4pm for the community to drop in and find out more information on the project.

The team really value listening to our local community regarding their views and questions about the project, so why not pop into our community office and have a chat with us.

If you can't make it to the community office, you can find out more at www.humecoal.com.au