

Item 9: Finance

9.1 Naming of new streets in a subdivision off Spring Flat Road Spring Flat / Burrundulla

REPORT BY THE PROPERTY SUPPORT OFFICER
TO 15 SEPTEMBER 2021 ORDINARY MEETING
GOV400088, P19766 R0790041

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. **receive the report by the Property Support Officer on the naming of new streets in a subdivision off Spring Flat Road Spring Flat / Burrundulla; and**
2. **name Street 1 Polo Crescent and Street 2 Goodman Lane.**

Executive summary

A new subdivision off Spring Flat Road in the localities of Spring Flat and Burrundulla includes two new streets. Addressing requirements for the new subdivision will necessitate the naming of these new streets.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil.

Detailed report

Council, being the Roads authority, is required to name new or unnamed streets and roads. The purpose of this report is to provide a list of names submitted by the public from which Council can choose names for these new streets.

Council wrote to the property owner and neighbours of the subdivision on the 18th of June requesting their naming suggestions. Public consultation was also invited in an advertisement placed in the 25 June 2021 Mudgee Guardian. Submissions closed on 16 July 2021 and during this period 2 responses were received with the following names suggested:

Polo
Mallett
Goodman

These names have been evaluated via the Geographical Names Board and are acceptable for use as street names.

The recommended name of Polo relates to the historical names for the paddocks between Spring Flat Road and Oakey Creek. These paddocks were known as Polo and Top Polo for decades, and

are now part of this subdivision. It is likely the paddocks were known by these names because they were used as polo fields by the Cox family.

The recommended name of Goodman relates to the Goodman family and specifically Charles (1828-1912), his son William Goodman (1859-1943), William's son Ernest Goodman (1890-1986) and Ernest's son Urban Goodman (1919-1993). The Goodman family came to the area in the 1860's when Charles travelled here following the Victorian gold rush. The family have been gold fossickers, farmers, musicians, rabbit trappers, labourers, masons, dairy farmers, market gardeners and Council employees. Multiple generations of the family still live in the area.

Street naming is legislated under the Roads Act 1993. This Act empowers the authority in charge of the road with the rights to name it. The naming of these new streets will allow the completion of street addressing within this new subdivision. Section 162 of the Roads Act (1993) states that "a road authority may name and number all public roads for which it is the authority. A roads authority may not alter the name of a public road unless it has given the Geographical Names Board (GNB) at least two months notice of the proposed name."

In accordance with Council's Road, Bridge and Place Naming Policy, the names that Council endorses for these streets will be:

1. Advertised in the Mudgee Guardian inviting submissions in writing from the public for a period of 21 days.
2. Concurrently, notice of the proposed names will be sent to Australia Post, the Registrar General, the Surveyor General, the Chief Executive of the Ambulance Service of NSW, New South Wales Fire Brigades, the NSW Rural Fire Service, the NSW Police Force, the State Emergency Service, the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association Inc., and, in the case of a classified road – Roads and Maritime Services, inviting submissions in writing for a period of 14 days.

At the expiration time for lodgement of submissions, a further report will be prepared for Council addressing any submissions received and recommending the formal adoption of the proposed street names, and Gazettal of the new street names.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Connecting Our Region
Goal	High quality road network that is safe and efficient
Strategy	Provide traffic management solutions that promote safer local roads and minimise traffic congestion

Strategic implications

Council Strategies

Not applicable.

Council Policies

Road, Bridge and Place Naming Policy.

Legislation

The Roads Act, 1993.

Road Regulation 2008.
Geographical Names Act, 1996.

Financial implications

The cost and installation of three street signs. Two for Polo Crescent located at the intersections with Spring Flat Road and Goodman Lane, and one for Goodman Lane at the intersection with Spring Flat Road. The costs of which will be met by the developer.

Associated Risks

Nil.

CAROLYN ATKINS
PROPERTY SUPPORT OFFICER

LEONIE JOHNSON
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

26 July 2021

Attachments: 1. Submission.
2. Submission.
3. Map.

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM
GENERAL MANAGER

Burrundulla Pty Ltd

3 June 2021

The Manager
Revenue and Property
Mid-Western Regional Council
PO Box 156

MUDGEES NSW 2850

Dear Sir/Madam

RE DA0154/2020

Your Reference CA P19766 RO790041 DA 0154/2020

Road Naming Schedule

I refer to your letter of 3 May 2021.

We submit the following names for your consideration.

For the road commencing opposite Hill Sixty Road: Polo Crescent

For the Road running east/west near the northern boundary of Lot 25: Mallett Drive

Yours Faithfully

C H Cox

For Burrundulla Pty Ltd





BURRUNDULLA PTY LIMITED

24 June 2021

The Manager
Revenue and Property
Mid-Western Regional Council
PO Box 156
MUDGEES NSW 2850

Dear Madam

RE: Naming of new streets in a subdivision off Spring Flat Road
Your Ref: CA P19766 R0790041

I refer to your letter of 16 June to Burrundulla Pty Limited.

I cannot specifically say that the land involved has a connection to the game of Polo but it appears likely that there is a historical one.

It is the practice of farming properties to name their paddocks, commonly referencing a geographical feature or some other characteristic. The paddocks between the Spring Flat Road and Oakey Creek have been named Polo and Top Polo for the 83 years of my life and presumably much longer so it is reasonable to assume that the game of Polo was once played there.

Polo was introduced into Australia in 1875 and, in the two decades following clubs were formed in many towns in regional NSW including Muswellbrook, Coolah, Wellington, Scone and Mudgee. The records of NSW Polo Association reveal it was common practice that play would take place on one or more of the member's acreages. Living in the district at that time were a number of the sons and daughters and nieces and nephews of George Cox, the owner of Burrundulla, and it is likely that they and their friends played Polo and used the flat land in the area of the subdivision as a polo field as it would have been relatively accessible to the other interested players and spectators.

I am sorry I cannot be more precise.

Yours Sincerely

Christopher Cox

Mr Brad Cam
Midwestern Regional Council
PO Box 56 MUDGEE
NSW 2850

June 30 2021

Dear Mr Cam,

Please accept my submission for the naming of new streets off Spring Flat Road. I suggest the name of GOODMAN be used for this purpose (or any other streets within MWRC) based on over 150 years of connection to our community;

- My paternal great-grandfather, William Goodman, first came to the Gulgong /Mudgee area in the mid-late 1800's, following the goldrush from Victoria to this region. He married Selina Shields in Mudgee & their partnership produced 10 children.
- Many of their descendants still reside here or maintain links to Mudgee. Many descendants are buried at the Tunnabutta Cemetery, located between Apple Tree Flat & Windamere Dam.
- In 1920 my grandfather, Ernest Goodman, purchased his own small holding of land at Apple Tree Flat where he & my grandmother, Maria (Gleeson), raised their 2 sons. Ernie & Maria were both musicians & played for many of the local village dances around the Melrose, Mullamuddy, Apple Tree Flat & Cudgegong areas.
- Both William & later, Ernest, earned their living around Mudgee, fossicking for gold, rabbit trapping during The Great Depression & working on local farms & in kaolin & sandstone quarries, as well as farming their own land. My grandfather talked about cutting sandstone blocks for St Mary's Catholic Church during his working years.

- My father, Urban, was raised at Apple Tree Flat. In his adult years, he & my mother, Nellie (Constable), returned to live on the farm after Dad returned from World War II. They had previously owned a dairy farm at Buckaroo & also resided in Mudgee for a time.
- My parents went on to raise 7 daughters at Apple Tree Flat, with me being the lucky last!
- They again operated a small dairy, one of many in that region who supplied fresh cream each day to the local Mudgee Dairy Co, to be processed into Munna Butter.
Ernie & Urban kept beehives on the farm & produced a prolific amount of local honey as well as vegetables & fruit. Mum, my sisters & I all contributed to work on the farm.
- The property remained in our family until its sale in 1996.

- In addition to running the farm, my father was an employee of the then Cudgegong Shire for many years until his retirement in 1980, working for many decades as a ganger on the roads.
- My mother originally came to Mudgee as a teenager (from the Cassilis area) to work as a housekeeper/nanny for the pioneering Cox family. After her marriage, as well as raising 7 children, she worked picking vegetables at local farms along the Cudgegong River flats & later worked for the Loneragan & Kellett families. Again, she was a valued & respected employee to foundation families in this region. She was a renowned cake decorator & teacher & provided wedding cakes to many couples in our region during the 1970's & 80's.
- My sisters & I all attended St Matthew's school in Mudgee, with each eventually marrying at St Mary's Church. We all forged our working careers in this town until eventually moving onto the next stages of our lives. Some of our children were educated & worked in Mudgee & now many of our children & grandchildren have returned to Mudgee to live, thus completing the Goodman/Mudgee circle.
- The Goodman descendants now carry many other surnames but my family are proud to have made such strong contributions to the local region. Having a street named after the Goodman family would be a lovely way to honour our forebears & keep the Goodman name alive in Mudgee.

Yours sincerely
Kate Allport



Mon 26/07/2021 3:23 PM

Kate Allport

Goodman info

To Carolyn Atkins

Hi Carolyn,

Thanks for your call today.

In accessing the birth & death dates of my Goodman relatives, I realised that I failed to mention the very first settler, Charles!
He was William's father & so adds another generation to the Mudgee /Gulgong tree. I have included his details, below;

CHARLES CHRISTOPHER GOODMAN - b; 10/10/1828 d; 05/07/1912. Arrived Mudgee area 1860's
WILLIAM SYDNEY GOODMAN - b; 07/07/1859 d; 26/09/1943
ERNEST SYDNEY GOODMAN - b; 14/12/1890 d; 20/10/1986
URBAN ERNEST GOODMAN - b; 14/05/1919 d; 24/11/1993

Many thanks, Carolyn.

Kind regards

Kate

