

## 9.2 Naming of new streets in a subdivision off Spring Flat Road, Burrundulla

### REPORT BY THE PROPERTY SUPPORT OFFICER

TO 16 FEBRUARY 2022 ORDINARY MEETING

GOV400098, P26371, R0790041, DA0154/2020

### 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, Burrundulla; and**
2. **formally approve the names of Polo Crescent and Goodman Road.**

### Executive summary

Formal approval is requested to name the new streets in a subdivision off Spring Flat Road in the locality of Burrundulla, Polo Crescent and Goodman Road.

### Disclosure of Interest

Nil

### Detailed report

Council, being the Roads Authority, is required to name new and unnamed streets and roads.

Following the approval of a new subdivision off Spring Flat Road in the locality of Burrundulla, Council wrote to the neighbours of the subdivision on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021 requesting their naming suggestions. Public consultation was also invited in an advertisement placed in the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website.

From submissions received, Council provisionally approved the names of Polo Crescent and Goodman Lane at their 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 meeting. Please note, the road type for Goodman Lane has been amended to Goodman Road at the request of the property owner/developer.

- Polo relates to the historical names of 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.
- Charles Goodman (1828-1912), his son William Goodman (1859-1943), William's son Ernest Goodman (1890-1986) and Ernest's son Urban Goodman (1919-1993) were part of a family that came to the area in the 1860s 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, all contributing to the area. Multiple generations of the family still live in and contribute to the area.

The Geographical Names Board has been advised of these street names and has no objection.

The new street names were advertised in the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021 issue of the Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website with no additional submissions or objections received.

Notices of the new street names were served on Australia Post, the Registrar General, the Surveyor General, the NSW Ambulance Service, NSW Fire & Rescue, NSW Rural Fire Brigades, NSW Police Force, NSW State Emergency Service and NSW Volunteer Rescue Association via the NSW Online Place and Road Naming Proposal System with no objections received.

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 streets will allow the completion of street addressing within the 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 road 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 & Place Naming Policy, should Council formally endorse the naming of these new streets, notice of the approved names will be:

1. Published in the Government Gazette, the Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website.
2. Concurrently, notice of the new names will be sent to Australia Post, the Registrar General, the Surveyor General, the NSW Ambulance Service, NSW Fire & Rescue, NSW Rural Fire Brigades, NSW Police Force, NSW State Emergency Service and NSW Volunteer Rescue Association, and, in the case of a classified road – Transport for NSW.

## Community Plan implications

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Connecting Our Region</b>
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

Roads Act 1993

Road Regulation 2008

Geographical Names Act, 1996

Geographical Names Board of NSW Address Policy and User Manual, October 2019

## Financial implications

The cost and installation of street signs at the intersections of Spring Flat Road with each of the new streets along with the intersection of the new streets will be met by the developer.

## Associated Risks

Nil

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18 January 2022

*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

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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

