



Community Contact Numbers

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Our People

**Bernice Witherspoon –
Commercial Services Officer**



What do you enjoy most about living in the local area?

I enjoy having the majority of my family and friends still living in the area and the people in our community are friendly.

Our local lakes and country side are beautiful and we are not too far from Sydney, the central coast and south coast for a weekend escape.

Also, I love our weather (most of the time) just not the middle of winter or when it hits minus 5.

What do you do in your leisure time? I try to keep fit and healthy. I love shopping, going to the movies, doing lunch or coffee with friends and family.

Who do you most admire? I admire my parents for raising 9 children. I admire people who have a positive outlook on life even when life is tough; I also admire people with a good sense of humour.

What is your favourite food? All food – especially pizza and any sort of chicken. I wish I didn't love food – I would be a lot better off health wise.

Which book or movie are you looking forward to reading / seeing? I would like to read the book Les Miserable before seeing the movie. I just bought "Revenge" the TV series which I haven't seen yet. I cannot wait to sit down and watch the whole series, hopefully in one weekend; I just have to find time.

Angus Place and Springvale CCC's combine

Angus Place and Springvale Colliery have recently established a combined Community Consultative Committee (CCC), to provide the community a single, effective communication channel regarding the activities of these neighbouring operations.

The CCC provides a forum for open discussion between representatives of both Angus Place and Springvale, the community, Lithgow City Council and other relevant stakeholders. The combined CCC will be chaired by former Lithgow City Councillor Howard Fisher, who had also previously chaired the Angus Place CCC since 2007.

The first meeting was held in December 2012, which provided a general overview of the two operations and saw the formal adoption of the Department of Planning CCC guidelines. The inaugural meeting was

well attended by four community representatives, two council representatives including Lithgow's Mayor, Clr Maree Statham, and representatives from both Angus Place and Springvale Coal.

In 2013 the CCC will meet in April and October and the agenda will include updates on the mines environmental performance, community activities, projects and operations.

To gain a holistic understanding of the operations, the CCC will be attending the Mines Rescue Station as well as taking part in site visits to both Angus Place and Springvale.

For further information on both Angus Place and Springvale Colliery, or to view meeting minutes, please visit:

www.centennialcoal.com.au

Apprentices and Trainees looking forward to starting work

2013 will mark the beginning of an exciting career for eight lucky local apprentices and trainees who are due to commence their training across Centennial's Western operations in the coming weeks.

Centennial's new recruits will be working in Electrical and Mechanical fields. Also in Stores and Administration. During this time practical experience will be gained while working across Centennial's Angus Place, Charbon, Clarence, Springvale operations as well as the Regional Office, Lidsdale House.

"We believe that offering these apprenticeships and traineeships will provide a solid foundation for successful applicants to gain qualifications to commence and develop their careers, whether that is in the mining industry, or elsewhere in the longer term," said Craig Gillard, Group Industrial Relations Manager.

The Apprentices are due to start at Lithgow TAFE on the 21st of January, spending one day a week gaining theoretical knowledge, followed by four days of hands on practical experience at both the TAFE's Skills Centre and at a Centennial operations.

"We welcome these new recruits to Centennial

and look forward to working with Skillset to provide them with mentoring and training programs to assist them to successfully complete their courses," concluded Craig.



**Above: Centennial's 2013 Apprentices
at Lidsdale House**

Projects Update - Angus Place and Springvale

Centennial's Angus Place and Springvale mines, both underground longwall operations, are currently seeking Development Consent from the state government to continue mining operations.

Springvale's current consent requires renewal by 2014 and the Springvale Extension Project will enable the mine to continue operating to the east and south of the current mine workings.

Angus Place's consent requires renewal by 2016 and the Angus Place Extension Project will also enable Angus Place to continue to mine to the east of its current mine workings.

Briefing Papers (an overview of the proposed projects) for the Springvale and Angus Place Extension were submitted to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) in September last year. The DPI used the information presented in the Briefing Papers to determine what Angus Place and Springvale must

include and address in an Environmental Impact Statement. These are called 'Director General Requirements.'

Centennial is now currently working through the Environmental Assessment process to identify the potential environmental impacts which maybe a result of mining activity. Extensive studies are underway in relation to areas including surface and ground water, ecology, air quality, heritage and noise. As part of the process, Centennial will consult with all relevant stakeholder and community groups.

It is anticipated that the Environmental Assessments will be submitted to DPI in the second half of this year.

For more information visit Centennial's website; www.centennialcoal.com.au or the Department of Planning website; www.planning.nsw.gov.au

