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Delegate Doings



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HACC Christmas in July

Christmas in July was celebrated in grand style on Wednesday 27th July. The Bombala Contact Group, HACC Clients and Carers from Bombala and Delegate and friends gathered at the Delegate Country Club for a day of friendship and good cheer.

Wonderful entertainment was provided by Gordon Budd who delighted the crowd with his selection of Irish dances. Vocal duo Tanja Ponsford and Rowena Butterworth followed with beautiful renditions of Christmas carols and inspirational songs.

The traditional Christmas luncheon was a feast to behold. Louise Manning and Lana Jamieson were superb, producing and presenting the meal with great style and panache. Santa made a surprise visit as well, distributing gift bags to all who attended.

Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely and had high praise for all the workers who organised the event. It is anticipated that the Contact Group will travel to Delegate for more combined activities in the future.

Thanks goes to the Delegate Country Club, Uland Sievert as Santa, Gordon Budd, Tanja Ponsford & Rowena Butterworth for helping to make this event so enjoyable.



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Dates for your Calendar

- 13th August—paper craft workshop
 - 14th August—Full moon cob oven dinner
 - 17th August—1.30pm Delegate Arts Group meeting School of Arts Wed
 - 23rd August—DPA meeting
 - 27th August—Darts Grand Final
 -
- Claim The Date
- 19th November—Snowy River Muster

**DPA meeting
23rd August
7.30pm
All Welcome**

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2pm
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Christmas in July

Was celebrated at the Delegate Country Club on Saturday night 23rd July. It was a joint effort between the Delegate year 6 who are raising money for their Melbourne excursion and the Country Club. A great night was had by all.



Gary Sandford a local Tubbut resident entertained locals on the night. He was joined by Michelle Farran, Heather Jones and Beverly Stokes.

The new curtains and lights have made a big difference at the club, making it a much cosier place on a winters night.

If you haven't been in a while come and check out the new look club.



Glen Walker has been brightening up the Post office with his smile lately as he works, stamping letters, recording stock and sorting parcels. Glen finished his HSC last year and is currently doing volunteer work to gain experience in the work force.

History comes alive at the School of Arts

An enthusiastic group of people participated in a workshop at the Delegate School of Arts on Wednesday 3rd August.

The workshop led by SEAR co-ordinator Andrew Gray focussed on writing 'story captions' for artefacts or other items in an historical collection. The participants had been asked to bring an article of historical significance to use as an example for creating their own captions. These items varied from a 'poisoners' bottle and pouch to an original score for music, to a branding iron, photos and other fascinating facets of our local history.

Writing a 'story', which could not exceed 80 words, yet still provide adequate information about the item, proved a challenging task, but was accomplished with panache by our enthusiastic amateur historians. Many of the items were sourced from the Settlers Hut and History Rooms so no doubt you will see the results of our work in these locations.

Workshop participants were able to discuss with Andrew various proposals for history and Art pursuits after a delicious afternoon tea provided by the Delegate Café.

A key focus of this session was the forming of a Delegate and District Arts group (DADA) This group will work to promote, facilitate and showcase all the diverse Arts activities in the district.

The group discussed different funding possibilities for the district and various activities for the immediate future, which could be put into place without significant outside funding. With a wide- ranging community perspective of the Arts there are more openings for grants.

With this in mind it was proposed that DADA hold a mini one-day Arts festival in November culminating in a variety concert at the School of Arts. For this event all local Arts groups, individual performers, performing groups, the local school and any other interested people would be invited to participate either in the daytime exhibitions or the evening performance.

There will be a meeting of the DADA group on Wednesday 17th August at the School of Arts at 1.30pm to finalise a date and start preparations for this day. Any enthusiastic and creative people are welcome.

For further details contact Penelope 64588243 or Sandra 64588082

Medicare

The Medicare booth at the RTCT Centre has been removed by Medicare due to not enough use. The booth in Bombala and many other small South Coast towns were also removed. Access to Medicare is now at their offices in Cooma or Bega or Online access is available at www.medicareaustralia.gov.au

Where you can :

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- View your Medicare Safety Net balance (current calendar year)
- View your Medicare benefit tax statement (current and previous financial year)
- View your Care Plan access history

Computer Scams

'windows scare'

Have you had a phone call from this group? I answered the phone the other night and a woman said 'madam we are calling about your computer, we see there is a problem with your computer' I asked the name of the company and she answered 'Windows Scare' so I said 'wait a minute while I get a pen to write that down' and she immediately hung up. I knew she couldn't see my computer as it is not on the internet, but it is a timely warning to everyone of the scammers out there trying to get your money.

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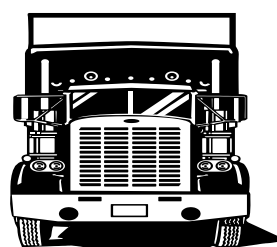
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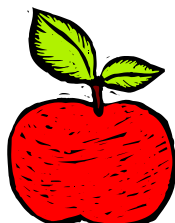
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"Oh please Mum" says the daughter. "If he wasn't nice would he be doing 500 hours community service?"

QUOTE FOR AUGUST

Depend on the rabbits foot if you will, but remember it didn't work for the rabbit.

New After Hours GP Helpline

A new service has been announced which will go part way to alleviating the problem of a lack of resident doctor for Delegate. This is the **after hours GP Helpline**

This service will enable people who require after hours medical advice, who cannot access their usual GP and are not sure what to do, to speak to a GP over the telephone.

The new **after hours GP helpline** is a free service and is expected to benefit people living in areas with limited or no access to after hours care.

The service is available through *Health Direct Australia* extending the current 24 hour nurse triage service on

1800 022 222

New features of the **after hours GP Helpline** include

- the ability for a record of the consultation with the telephone GP to be sent to the patient's usual GP (with the patients permission)

- a service directory to provide callers with the location of the most appropriate after hours services in their community

- The ability for the helpline nurses and GPs to call back patients if their condition needs to be monitored.

- The GP helpline will operate from 6pm to 8am Monday to Fridays, 6pm Friday to 8am Saturday

12noon Saturday to 8am Monday

24 hours on relevant public holidays

This service extends the current *Health Direct* service which connects you to a registered nurse for advice and is available 24 hours. In Victoria you can continue to access the Nurse on Call service.

The new service will provide a small amount of peace of mind for residents of this isolated area, knowing that some assistance is only a phone call away.

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THE SOLDIER (By Natalie Armstrong)

I saw your young face on TV
And sadness filled my heart
For a loving family who have lost their son
And whose world has just fallen apart.

When a Mother gives birth to a son
She does not know what's in store,
For ever since this world began
There has always been a war.

From days when war was simpler
To a nightmare world without laws,
Young men have been destined to fight,
And give their lives for a cause.

The drummers drum, the bugles play
And proudly you marched off to war,
But you gave your life for your nation
As so many have done before.

We send you away to far off lands
To fight an unseen foe,
All of the Nation mourns your loss
And feels for your family's woe.

But we can never bring you back
To make a life as you planned,
To love and marry and raise your kids,
Not die in a far off land.

I wish that the Nations of the world
Would learn to work as a team,
And not send their youth to fight and die
For me that's a worthwhile dream.

This poem received a "Highly Commended" in the
Bush Poetry Competition at the Delegate Show.

Weather Station for Delegate

Phil and Maree Pope have installed an automatic weather station at Glenora and are now publishing the data on the internet for the local community to access. The url is

<http://www.pwsweather.com/obs/GLENORA.html>

And the station is located in their paddock over the river opposite the primary school.

When people first access it the readings will show in English units, but they can change that to metric by clicking the [View data in metric units](#) links on the right hand side of the page.

Previously, the nearest weather station to Delegate that puts this data online is in Bombala, so this will give a better idea of local conditions.

Below: the new Delegate weather station.



Gardening News for August

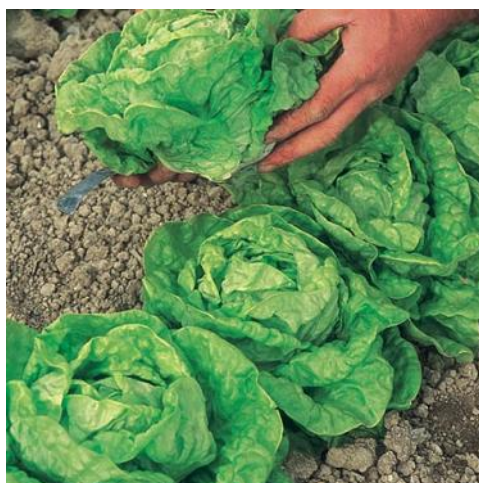
We have experienced many days of overcast skies during July. The reduced sun hours has delayed the rapid growth of bulbs such as daffodils. In my garden the main display is usually the second week of August but I do not think that will happen this year as most have not yet emerged. Although welcome, the good rain has left the soil unusually boggy making preparation for Spring planting hard work and, in some places, inadvisable. Working very wet soil damages structure leading to reduced aeration which in turn reduces growth.

Soil that has been saturated for some time becomes sour. This reflects the death of aerobic soil organisms and plant roots. When anaerobic organisms (those that do not require air) proliferate, they give off gases like ammonia and methane that change the smell of the soil. This Spring it is more necessary than ever to apply dolomite to help the soil recover. Dolomite supplies calcium and magnesium without affecting soil pH which is the measure of soil acidity.

A lot is written about soil pH and the pH 7 (Neutral) is recommended as being ideal. This is because the availability of most elements is optimal at this point on the scale. However, since so many local soils are severely depleted of elements anyway the pH reading has little practical relevance and especially so when describing soilless potting mixes. The quick-fix is to apply chemical fertilisers. The elements they contain such as iron, potassium and nitrogen quickly enter the soil water and the plants take up what they need for their immediate requirements. Any remainder will wash out of the soil as water passes through it from rain or sprinklers. This happens because these manufactured products are a mix of soluble salts.

The leaching cycle can be broken by improving soil organic matter. Excess elements will either bind directly to the organic matter or be incorporated into the bodies of soil bacteria or fungi that live in the organic matter. Either way the plants will be able to extract them when required.

Organic matter is the soil carbon that is so much in the news lately. It is really important that every morsel of plant material is composted and returned to the garden.



Compost is continually worked on by the soil organisms - they can be the large ones like worms that we see or the microscopic ones like bacteria, fungi and protozoa that we are not aware of. The compost is reduced to simple substances as each organism feeds and excretes and it is these substances that are available to the plants.

In the natural cycle plant debris is transformed into soil nutrients where it falls feeding the plants in the immediate vicinity. Gardeners imitate this process, whilst also keeping the garden tidy, by making compost in a designated area. Burning prunings and leaves is a real loss to the soil and directly pollutes the atmosphere. The volume of compost made can be boosted by recycling paper waste and food scraps and with the addition of animal manures to the pile

the range of organisms present broadens adding great value to its effect on the soil.

In the food garden this month it is the last chance to establish bare root fruit trees and to plant broad beans, onions, English spinach and beetroot.

It is absolutely the right time for seed of cabbage, kohlrabi, lettuce, parsnip, peas, potatoes, silver beet, Swedes and turnip. However successful germination will depend on the rain ceasing.

Planting in the ornamental garden is probably confined to bare root trees since it is so wet. It is worth while to plant sweet peas though as they perform well here when planted in late winter but all other flowers are best left to September.



DELEGATE SCHOOL NEWS

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER **KITCHEN GARDEN**

We are entering the critical time of year for vegetable gardening and we will be making very good use of our heated bench to produce seedlings of summer crops as early as possible in order to make the best use of Delegate's very short growing season. One constraint we face is that the main growing season coincides with the long summer holidays but fortunately the main harvest period is when school returns so this allows us to admirably support the kitchen activities.

There are three programmes that we would like to run in addition to producing food for the kitchen. We feel these will add excitement to the run-of-the-mill garden work.

1. Producing seedlings for sale. This is a great fund raiser essential to maintaining the programme and has the advantage of tapping into revenue streams from outside the school community. We had a little trial last season that was well received.

2. Propagating native plants by seed and cuttings to revegetate the area behind the school that gives access to the river. This ties in with gaining knowledge of bush foods and the development of the Bundian Way project. We are already producing a limited range of these foods and have been given some funds to put toward purchase of suitable plants.

3. Paving stones. This is essentially an art project where each student will have the opportunity to make a paver that will record their name and year "in stone". They will be laid progressively to create a path to the kitchen. In years to come the children will be able to recall their time at school by finding their stones.

All this will be easy to achieve if we have enough volunteers to support the children through these tasks. Without help these exciting projects will wither. I hope you can spare an hour between 2 p.m. and end of school on Fridays to make this happen. I am committed to broadening access to the life skills that will enrich adult life and feel fortunate that our school has obtained, through the commitment of staff and P&C, the resources to allow this to happen.

BUT we need **YOU** and remember it is a lot of fun!!

From

Susan Tocchini

Garden Specialist

EDUCATION WEEK

DABBS (Delegate, Ando, Bibbenluke, Bombala Schools)

Combined Concert Musical Based

‘ITS SHOWTIME’

Delegate School “A Boy From Oz”

Bombala Public “Mary Poppins”

St Joseph “Wizard of Oz”

Ando & Bibbenluke “Grease”

Bombala High School **Short Drama Plays**

Date 4th August 6.30 to 8.30pm

Bombala High School

Tickets at the door

\$5 per person or \$10 a family

The year 6 Students and parents would like to thank anyone who ordered a load of wood for their support. But they are no longer taking any more orders.

Dennis Callaway's 60th.

A party was held at Dennis and partner Michelle's home at Dapto, with many members of the Callaway clan travelling a long way to help Dennis celebrate. All 8 Callaway siblings attended, with some coming from as far away as Perth. A special surprise guest was Dennis's longtime mate Keg Guthrie. A great time was had by all, with Zac and Dean Callaway carrying on Kevin and Dennis's tradition of dressing up as ladies (?) to add to the fun. Here's hoping they were more gorgeous than their predecessors!



Taityn Parkes

The 4th of July was a very special birthday for Maria Callaway, with the arrival of a great grandson for her and Kevin. The baby, who has been named Taityn, weighed in at a healthy 9lb 13oz. He is the son of Aaron Parkes and his partner Toni, a brother for sister Indy, grandson of Toni and Lance, and a welcome new addition to the Callaway family.



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The Delegate Country Club

*For the Information of
Members & Their Guest*

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Cooma Rotary Club's Pride of Workmanship award.

Congratulations to ex local, Lucille Ingram (left), the proud recipient of a Cooma Rotary Club's Pride of Workmanship award. Lucille earned this award for her dedication to her vocation of registered nurse with Specialist Mental Health Services for Older Persons. She is highly regarded in her field and is diligent in all her work.



HERE & THERE

Happy Birthday to Heather Commons who was joined by family members for her special day, including daughter Rita and son-in-law Ray from Batemans Bay.

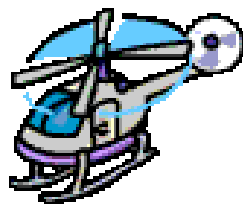
More August Birthdays are Christine Walker and Jennifer Bruce, Philomena Collins, Lana Martin-McInnes, Chops Guthrie, Lesley Collins and Sharon Buckman.



Tanja Ponsford one of our great volunteers is expecting a visit from her sister and small niece from Germany in August. Tanja is German born, married Sid, an Australian, spent 13 years in Ireland before moving to Bombala. She has been an asset to the community.



Unfortunately Tommy's Trivia tentatively booked for August has been cancelled, as Greg Crotty the host of the show is unable to manage it at this time. We will look forward to seeing Greg and enjoying "Tommy's Trivia" some time in the future.



The administrators for Willmott Forests have announced that all local assets are for sale, including the former old hospital building and grounds. You have until 15th August to put in expressions of interest.

Tasco is having a groundbreaking ceremony in August for the expansion of the Sandy Lane Mill.

The Nurses Cottage has new curtains in all bedrooms and the DPA are grateful to Marilyn Callaghan for her valuable help in donating curtains and sewing linings, which made the exercise much more economical.

Our thanks go to Warren Hampshire who has been kept busy the last few weeks repairing all the exposed pipes in town after the recent frosts. Most of the repairs are to pipes installed by south coast plumbers who didn't understand how cold it can get in Delegate. Its interesting to note that the south coast plumbers wont come up here to fix a frost burst pipe that they installed.

Plans regarding the helicopter landing site at Bill Jeffreys Park are progressing slowly.

Congratulations to Wilga Ingram who celebrated her 80th birthday on July 6th with a dinner at Golffields, Canberra. All of Wilga's family and close friends were there to share this very special occasion with Wilga. Delegate friends had their chance to share their good wishes with Wilga when they gathered together at the Delegate Country Club for afternoon tea on Wednesday 10th July. (photos next edition)



Brooke and Steve Morney are thrilled to announce the arrival of their first child, Cohen Hayne, on July 22nd. He is the first grandchild of Michelle and Gary Ingram, and a great grandson for Wilga.

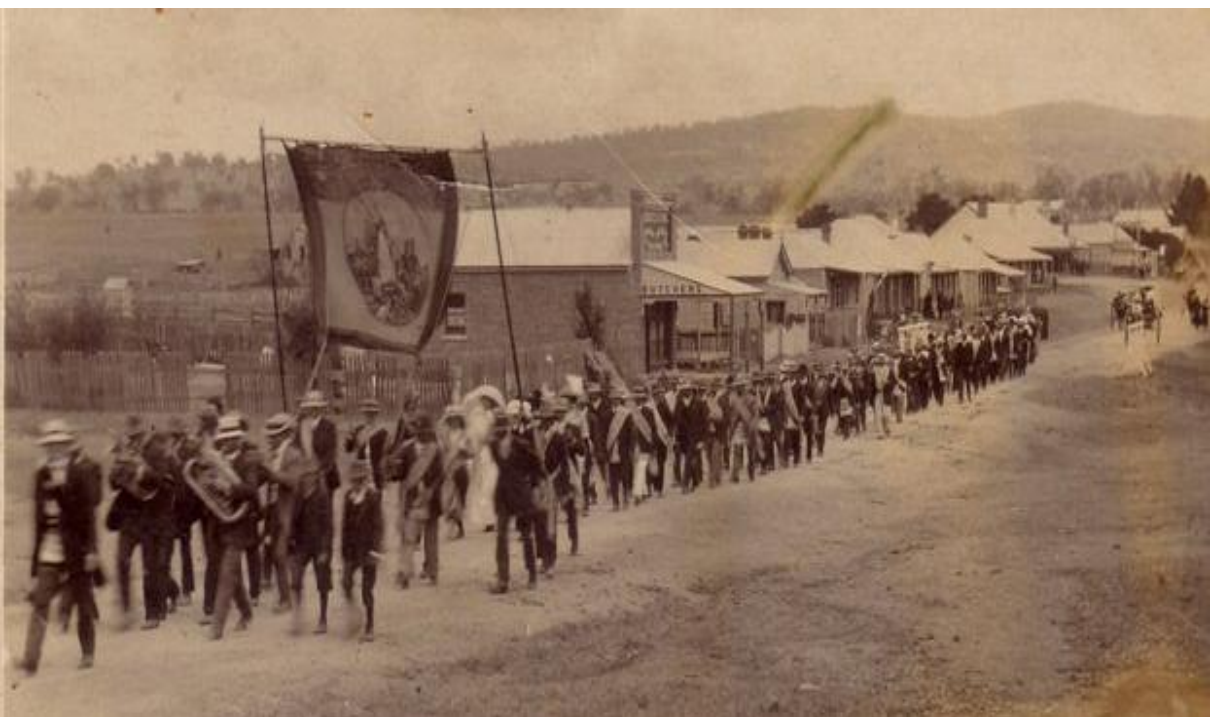
Night Tennis will be starting early September. Notices will be around town for those interested in signing up for the spring competition.

An exhibition of Hilda Rix Nicholas' work is to be held at the National Portrait Gallery in Canberra in March 2013. The popularity of Rix Nicholas' work continues to grow. There are plans to include a display about her work in the School of Arts in Delegate.

LOOKING BACK



The above photo shows the opening of the RSL Hall in 1940.



This large group of Oddfellows marching through the main street of Delegate carrying their banner was of an era long past.

The two missing in last months photo were to the left of Elsie is Mrs Keith Sterry and to the right is Mary Demery. The Haydens Hotel was Barney O'Mara's store in more recent times. Where Phyllis O'Mara lived were the guest rooms for Hayden's Hotel.

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Delegate Public School



Kindergarten Orientation

Delegate Public School would like to invite all students wishing to attend Kindergarten in 2012 to participate in our Kindergarten Orientation program. It is a 10 week program designed to help children make the transition between home and school.

When:

Term 3 - 5 x Half days – 9:00am to 11:30am

Thursday 25th August
Thursday 1st September
Thursday 8th September
Thursday 15th September
Thursday 22nd September

Term 4 - 5 x Full days – 9:00am to 3:00pm

Thursday 13th October
Thursday 20th October
Thursday 27th October
Thursday 3rd November
Thursday 10th November

- ❖ In Term 3 children will need to bring their recess and crunch and sip (vegetables, fruit or water)
- ❖ In Term 4 they will need to bring their recess, crunch and sip and lunch.
- ❖ Students may wear uniforms but it is not necessary.

*For further information please contact:
Carol Sellers – Principal
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