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DJAADJAWAN DANCERS DRAW LARGE CROWD

The new exhibition at the Bundian Way Gallery on Friday 5th. December attracted a record crowd, with the main attraction being the Aboriginal Dancers who performed for the large audience in the garden area of the Gallery. As well Ossie Cruise, Aboriginal Elder from Eden entertained the crowd by playing a few tunes on the gum leaves. Following the performance the official opening of the new exhibition in the Aboriginal Gallery and the opening of a display of photos by locals was carried out by Andrew Gray of South East Arts. This exhibition in the Bundian Way Gallery, the last for 1914 is the culmination of a very successful year of exhibitions from Aboriginal artists from throughout Monaro and the South Coast. *Right: The Dancers.*



Photos from the Queanbeyan Book Launch L to R. Geoff and Fay McKay caught up with Neil Armstrong; Peter Stuart and sisters Leonie and Janelle with Nicole Lyons; Krystal McHardie, Jessi Reed and Dominic Sellers at the Queanbeyan RSL. More photos back page.



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DOINGS PRICE RISE.

Unfortunately due to rising costs we are forced to raise the price of our monthly Delegate Doings in 2015 to \$1.50.

It has been the same price ever since it's inception several years ago even though the price of stamps increased.

The new prices for yearly subscriptions are on the second last page of the paper.

AUSTRALIA DAY COMPETITION

THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE A NEW ADDITION TO THE ART COMPETITION HELD DURING THE AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN BOMBALA. TRADITIONALLY IT HAS BEEN PHOTOS OF RURAL SCENES WHICH HAVE BEEN JUDGED, THE WINNER TO EXHIBIT AT ROYAL EASTER SHOW. PAINTINGS WILL BE NOW BE ADDED TO THE COMPETITION

FOR MORE INFORMATION PHONE SALLY ANNE 0417 212494

60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY THANKYOU

Enid and Jack Stewart wish to thank everyone for making our 60th wedding anniversary party on Saturday 22 November so special and enjoyable.

Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate, for the beautiful flowers, gifts and cards and for the good wishes.

We would especially like to say thanks to the following people:

Our family—thanks for the treasured memories

Our guests, some of whom travelled long distances

The Delegate community for the touching gift of framed photos of Delegate.

The Delegate Country Club an staff, especially Sue Phillips and to the Hospital Auxiliary ladies who did a wonderful job providing delicious food.

Sharon and Russel Buckman for the photography.

You all made our day something to remember.

FINAL BOOK LAUNCH.

It has been a busy month for members of the Men from Snowy River Committee, attending four book launches, in Bombala, Cooma and Goulburn on the same week-end and finally Queanbeyan on 3rd December. During the launches information about the proposed re-enactment march and a large number of WW1 photos as well as plans for the 90 year re-enactment in Delegate were on show. The children's choir growing in strength after their inaugural performance in Delegate and including singers from all district schools travelled to all of the launches except Goulburn where a video of their performance was shown.

The launch at Bombala was held in the RSL Auditorium before a large crowd with the launch being conducted by Kim Templeton. In the Monaro Regional Library, Cooma the former State Member Peter Cochran did the honours of launching the book. Three of us travelled on to Goulburn the next day where former Federal Member Dr Mike Kelly did the official launch. Also present on that occasion was Rear Admiral Raydon Gates.

The final launch took place at the Queanbeyan RSL and it was top marks to them and their energetic secretary Chris Prittle for the manner in which they prepared for the occasion. Everything was arranged for our visit with generous catering including morning tea on arrival and hot finger food following the launch. There was a large crowd present to hear Dr Brendon Nelson, Director of the Australian War Memorial, whose friendly personality endeared him to all as he did a meet and greet with the guests both before and after the launch.

As has been the case at all of the launches the Children's choir lead by Penny and John Judge opened proceedings singing a marching song composed for the original Men from Snowy River marchers and reciting WW1 poems.

Ian Sellers then introduced Dr Nelson, who spoke of the history of World War one, praising Natalie's book for keeping alive the important history of the Men from Snowy River March, going on to quote many passages from the book. He also complemented the RSL President Matt Helm, who he said had served his country in wartime and was still doing service to the Community of Queanbeyan.

It was left to Natalie to respond during which she thanked her Committee for their support, the Choir for performing at the launch and ended by saying that the history of the March which took place almost 99 years ago while remembered by the older generation was quite often not known about by many of the generations who followed. She said that she was pleased that despite the work involved, there was now a record of the March and of the men who took part in it.

Ian then called on the President of the Queanbeyan RSL Matt Helm who spoke of his pleasure in hosting the book launch and of the role of the RSL, before inviting guests to enjoy the food provided. Proceedings closed with the Choir singing "God Save the King"

DELEGATE COUNTRY CLUB

Kid 's Christmas Tree

Sunday 16th December from 2pm

Santa Arrives at 3pm

Minor raffles on the day



Bookings appreciated by 9th December to Sue 64588303 of the Club 64588169

REMEMBRANCE DAY IN DELEGATE.

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day, a Remembrance Day service and wreath laying was held at the Delegate Monument in Bombala Street.

The Service was conducted by Phil Pope, President of the local RSL Sub-Branch, who spoke of the WW1 battle in which the German Cruiser *The Emden* was sunk by the HMAS Sydney. The *Emden* had conducted raiding missions and destroyed many British trading vessels, and on November 9th 1914 the *Emden* was hunted down at Cocos Island, and destroyed. The *Emden* had arrived at Keeling Cocos Island and landed an army party to destroy the wireless station and cut the cable. Here she was caught and forced to fight by HMAS Sydney. A sharp action took place, in which the Sydney suffered a loss of three killed and 15 wounded. The *Emden* was driven ashore and burnt with losses in personnel reported as being very heavy. All possible assistance was given to the survivors by various ships which were despatched to the scene.

The Secretary of the Admiralty made the following announcement on November 11, 1914.

Warmest congratulations on the entrance of the Australian Navy into the war, and the signal service rendered to the Allied cause and to peaceful commerce on the destruction of the Emden.

The Mayor of Bombala Shire Bob Stewart was present at the service and laid a wreath at the monument on behalf of the Shire. The local school and others who were present at the service also laid wreaths at the monument.

TIGERS RUGBY LEAGUE RE-UNION

If you have ever pulled on a Delegate Tigers jersey, senior or junior, then you are invited to the Re-union at the Delegate Country Club on 28th February, 2015. The Tigers fielded very successful teams for many years, holding their own against bigger towns until they disbanded in the 1970's, due to lack of numbers. This is the story of many football teams throughout country areas, when dwindling population has forced amalgamation. After Delegate folded, players joined with Bombala for several years, until lack of numbers forced them to join in with nearby coastal teams. However the 28th of February promises to be a night of re-living the glory days, and catching up with some old mates.

If you know some old "Tigers" who have moved away please let them know about the re-union.

There will of course be a display of photos at the re-union and organisers would be grateful for copies to display.



LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A young executive was leaving the office late one evening when he found the CEO standing in front of a shredder with a piece of paper in his hand.

"Listen" said the CEO "this is a very sensitive and important document, and my secretary has gone for the night. Can you make this thing work for me?"

"Certainly" said the young executive. He turned the machine on, inserted the paper and pressed the start button.

"Excellent, excellent" said the CEO, as his paper disappeared inside the machine. "I just need one copy."

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MEN OF LEAGUE MEET IN DELEGATE.

The Men of League Foundation is spreading it's wings to take in rural areas where the sport of Rugby League was played. The Foundation was established in 2002 by former League Great Ron Coote to help former players and their families who had fallen on hard times. On Friday the 28th November a group which included members of the South Coast Men of League, met at the Delegate Hotel to hear Damian Kennedy, the Game Development Officer for the RSL explain about Men of League and what they do for the Rugby League Fraternity which includes ex players, match volunteers and junior players. They had noted that there was interest in Bombala/Delegate to form a Committee and that they would have the option to do that or form a sub-Committee and be part of the South Coast Group. There will be a further meeting at the Globe Hotel on the 19th January at 6pm, where Stuart Raper will be in attendance.



ANNUAL VINTAGE TRACTOR DRIVE

The Tractor drivers who venture forth each year on their annual trek into Victoria's North East Gippsland will be leaving Candelo on 2nd January 1914. They plan to travel via the Myrtle Mountain, Rocky Hall, the Big Jack, the Wollongubra Inn with an overnight stop at the Bondi Lodge Camp. The next day it is on to Craigie, Bendoc, Delegate, Delegate River, Dellicknora, Tubbut and via Ambyne to Deddick where they will spend the night. They hope to have over 20 tractors taking this trip, so it is well worth while catching up with them at some stage during their trip.

Below: Some old mates got together at the Stewart's Diamond Wedding.



Below: John Reed and Kim Templeton catch up at the Bombala Book Launch.

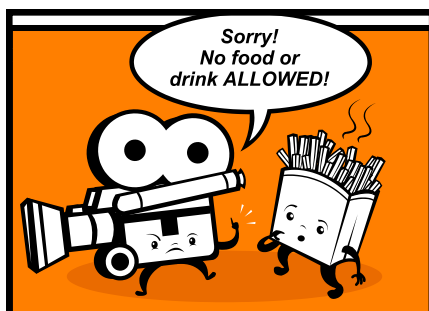


CHILDREN'S SHORT FILM COMPETITION.

Primary and High School students are reminded that the above competition will be on again next year, to be judged at the Delegate Show on 7th March, 1915.

Entry forms will be available in January at the RTC Delegate and the Bombala Newsagency.

There are cash prizes for the winning entries and the films will be played on Show Day.



Val Buckley enjoyed the Golden Age Party which she attended with a group of residents from the MPS.



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FASHIONS IN THE FIELD AT ADAMANINABY RACES

The Jones family had a very successful day out at the Adaminaby races on Saturday 22nd. November. Cynthia was assistant judge along with Samantha Armitage from Channel 7.

Janice Lewis (nee Jones) won Best Dressed for over 40 age group, and her niece Shari Jones won Best Dressed for over 20's. Joan wearing one of Cynthia's lovely creation won "Best Hat". For her prize Joan received a hat designed by Cynthia.

Joan also met the Governor General Sir Peter Cosgrove and took the opportunity to give him a pamphlet about the "Men from Snowy River" happenings.

R: Joan wearing the winning hat, Cynthia Bryson
Janice Lewis, Leanne Jones. Seated Shari Jones



60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE CELEBRATED

The Delegate Country Club was the venue for a very big celebration on Saturday 22nd November for the Diamond Wedding of Enid and Jack Stewart. Around 250 people joined with the couple on this special occasion which included their family of seven, fifteen grandchildren and two great children as well as extended family and friends.

There are not many who achieve the goal of being married for 60 years, and this was borne out by the number of congratulatory messages they received from the NRMA, the Prime Minister, the Governor General, the Queen and a Papal blessing.

The family presented them with family photo albums and the Grandchildren a family tree.

Below: Enid and Jack cutting the lovely cake. Jack and Enid holding the photos of the big rock, a gift from the Community, which was taken and framed by Marilyn Callaghan. Bottom row: The large Stewart Clan.



Delegate Multi Purpose Service

Wellness Clinic is held at the MPS, in Craigie Street Delegate. People come to the clinic for procedures and assessment by nursing staff.

The clinic is open

Mon 9am -10.30am Tues 9am – 10am

Thur 9am – 10.30am Fri 9am – 10am

Every week except public holidays. No
Appointments necessary.

A variety of procedures are available.

- Wound care
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- Other procedures that do not require a Dr.

Pathology clinic

Wednesday 9.30am – 10.30 am. No appointment necessary. Closed public holidays.

Other Services

Women's Health Nurse

3rd Wed of the month

Dietician and Diabetes Educator

2nd Thur of the month

Immunisations – 4th Fri of the month

Podiatry – for HACC clients – monthly

Ring the MPS for appointments for the dietician, diabetes, immunisation, podiatry and women's health 6459 8000

Child and Family Health – visits Delegate MPS on a regular basis ring Kirsty on 6458 5777 for an appointment.

Visiting Staff Profile

Name: Wendy Chapman

Job Description: Clinical Nurse Specialist, Diabetes Educator and Wound Management.

Wendy is based in Cooma at the Cooma Community Health Centre with outreach clinics to Delegate and Bombala. These are provided on a regular free and confidential basis with no referral needed.

Service provided: Diabetes education, mostly with Type 2 diabetes, wound management that includes running a dressing clinic and respiratory education for people with asthma and chronic airways disease. Wendy sometimes visit schools to update their asthma emergency management or to provide education to staff if needed if there is a newly diagnosed child with diabetes.

Appointments for Delegate MPS:

2nd Thursday (mornings) of the month.

Ring Delegate MPS to make an appointment 6459 8000

Please note that the Wellness Clinic will be closed over the Christmas break.

KNOW YOUR FRIENDS (AND FOES)

When I was very young I became aware of this story that changed my whole outlook making me choose a life of scientific enquiry.

For centuries The French and English had fished the shallow seas known as the English Channel. For traditional small craft it is an excellent fishing ground having the safety of being close to ports unlike the terrors of the wild North Sea. The Channel concentrates migrating water fish such as herring and its shallowness gave access to a range of bottom dwelling seafoods not generally accessible until the advent of super-trawlers.

Now to the story. Starfish often came up in the nets and as these were known to be predators of mussels and scallops the fishermen would tear the starfish in half and throw them back. However what they didn't know was that the starfish were capable of regenerating lost body parts. By acting through partial knowledge of the animal and reliance on traditional habits of generations actually increasing the starfish population.

It has been a lot like this on land in our gardens and fields.

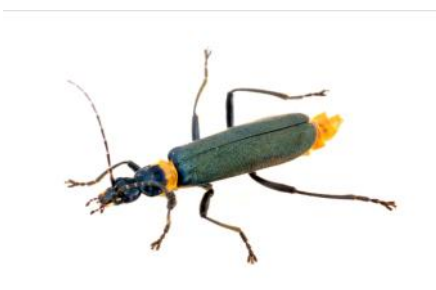
Take all the species of slugs as the example. The little grey ones do eat plant tissue and can become pests but there are those that clean up the garden by gliding over the ground at night eating fungi and moulds. These often appear in the laundry and bathroom to tidy up!

When it comes to pollination people instantly think only of European Honeybees but there are many other essential pollinators present in the environment that we may well have to encourage and rely on them as the honeybees continue to decline. Of the raft of native bees the solitary Blue banded bee is one of the most spectacular.

However many other groups play a role. Birds bats, moths and butterflies are generally recognised but the role of beetles is often unknown. Soldier beetles are a good pollinator as are those little Christmas beetle look a-likes that swarm over white flowers gathering nectar at this time of the year. The only insect I actively pursue is the harlequin bug that sucks sap causing flower buds to drop off.

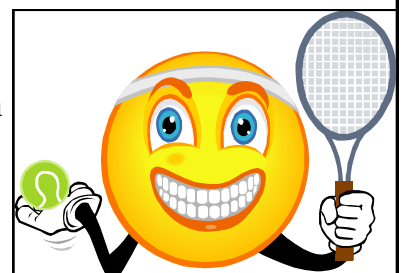


Soldier beetle



Delegate Tennis Club

Delegate Tennis is up and running again following the installation of new lights. Some more work is needed to get all 4 courts lit. The surface badly needs replacing and the committee is looking at all options. The committee would like to thank MCH Welding, Russell Carey, John Radcliff, John Bedingfield, David Ingram, Ron and Will Horton and Brian Duffell for all the assistance they have given the Tennis Club.



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THE ANNUAL GOLDEN AGE PARTY

The 1914 Annual Golden Age Party held on the first Sunday in December each was held once again. Numbers were down, possibly due to the threatening storms, but all who attended had a great time.

The food which as usual was excellent was served by Marilyn and Sue with the help of Lawrence. Once again Bev. Stokes who travels from Canberra each year to provide the music sang a number old well loved songs, along with sister Heather Jones.



Both were presented with thankyou gifts by Marilyn. The lucky door prize which was provided by Uland was won by Barbara Bateman, and Marilyn won the Raffle of a potted plant. Following lunch, guests were all given a piece of the tasty Christmas cake made by Maria Callaway.

L. Maria holding the cake she made and decorated.



R: Beverly helps the oldest lady present Kath Ingram with the cutting of the cake.

OPENING OF NEW DELEGATE RIVER FIRE STATION

On Sunday 23rd November, a gathering of locals and CFA Officers attended the new Delegate River Fire Station to witness its Official Opening by the Member for Eastern Victoria, Danny O'Brien MLC.

Past local residents, Ray and Eleanor Newnham, journeyed from Bairnsdale to be present. Ray was Bonang Brigade Captain for 20 years, from 1987 to 2007, when he and Eleanor retired to Bairnsdale. During this time Ray was instrumental in establishing the satellite station at Delegate River.

The Brigade was able to retain the old shed from Tubbut when a new one was built there in the early 1990's. The old hall reserve at Delegate River was going to be sold off. After some lobbying, the Brigade obtained permission to erect the old shed there to house a second fire engine to service the cross border area. A couple of working bees were held and the shed was up at little cost to the C.F.A.

The magnificent facility now gracing the site is part of a \$50 odd million upgrade to fire stations across Victoria.

A number of service awards were also presented to Brigade members by Danny O'Brien on the day, the most notable being to Alan Neven for 55 years of service and Laurie Reed for 45 years of service.

:L. To R. Michael Drinkwater, Miles Malcolm, Alan and Helen Neven, Ed. Baines, Laurie Reed, Danny O'Brien, Jack Reed, David Ingram, Andrew Reed.



TUESDAY CLUBS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Top row 1. To R. Jean Talbot and Jayne Sellers, Barbara Bateman and Joan Jones

Second row: Joan Jones, Alma Reed, Natalie Armstrong, Ilma Stewart, Audrey Armstrong, Enid Stewart.



The Tuesday Club held it's Christmas Party last Tuesday at the School of Arts, with about twelve members enjoying a delicious light lunch of sandwiches and a fruit platter, along with Christmas lollies , chocolates and ice cream. We had the usual Christmas crackers and jokes, followed by a sing-along of carols. Nat Armstrong then gave a short talk about the book *The Men From Snowy River March*, which Nat wrote on behalf of the Delegate Progress Assoc. Nat talked about the launch of the book in the various towns and how well it was received with many books being sold.

Members also congratulated Enid and Jack Stewart on their 60th wedding anniversary, having enjoyed wonderful celebrations with family and friends, a couple of weeks ago.

The Tuesday Club will not meet again until February and we look forward to more fun filled get togethers. Anyone wishing to join our group, please contact Sandra Walker on 64588089 for further information.

HERE & THERE

Many Happy Returns to the following December birthday people:

Raymond
Jamieson, Megan
Downey, Nerida
Reed, Dennis
Reed, Alma
Reed, Callum
Clear, Heather
Jones, David
Jones.

Also a special birthday wish to Marie Chapman who celebrates a milestone birthday in December.

The funeral took place on 14th November, of local man, Colin Mustard., following a long illness. Colin had been a patient in the Bombala Hospital for some time. The graveside service took place at the Delegate Cemetery and the wake which followed was at the Delegate Hotel.

Colin is survived by three children, two daughters, Cheryl and and one son Wayne, and five grandchildren. Sympathy is extended to all.

The whole district has been inundated with heavy rain storms during the past week, and is so green that it looks like it has been photo hopped. It is a long time since residents have seen such a spring.

Next column: Beryl Phillip's lovely garden



So much social activity throughout the district at the moment with Christmas get togethers, including the Golden Age party, the Tuesday Club luncheon, the MPS volunteers luncheon, the Sunday Sippers evening at the Hotel where they handed out many donations to district organisations. As well across the border Bendoc Progress Association's Xmas party and official openings of two new fire sheds for Bendoc and Delegate River. The Bundian Way Gallery opened their new exhibition, the opening night featuring "Dancing from Gadu to Badhu" aboriginal dancers which drew a very large crowd.

Don't forgot the Schools short film competition to be judged at the Delegate Show next year.

A reminder also about the WW1 Anzac Poem, the winning entry to be read in Delegate on Anzac Day.



Congratulations to Rebecca Dare and Raymond Kading who celebrated their wedding in the Park on Saturday 29th December



A group from Delegate and Bombala recently travelled to Queanbeyan on the Bendoc Bus for the Premiers Xmas Concert which was held at the Queanbeyan Theatre. The Concert is an annual event and this year is the first time it has been brought to the Country. It always features top artists singing well loved Christmas songs and Comedian Jean Kitson as Master of Ceremonies had the audience in stitches. Our competent driver for the day was Jan Ingram who along with her passengers thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment.



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Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our readers.

LOOKING BACK



This old photo of the opening of the Delegate Hospital in 1926 was given to Sandra O'Hagan by Laurie Neven and she passed it on to us..

This is the way ploughing was done early last century, but this photo was taken only a week ago by Alma Reed, of Bradley Matthews with his horse and plough. His helper Kevin Callaway looks like he's finding the job heavy going.



Community Information

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HOSPITAL: 6459 8000

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CHURCHES

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Sister Teresa Keane: 6458 3045
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Liturgy of the word and Holy Communion
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64957040
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THANKYOU LUNCH AT DELEGATE MPS

The Courtyard of the 4 local MPS was a lovely setting for a luncheon hosted by Management and Staff for volunteers, the Hospital Auxiliary Ladies and Members of the Consultative Committee. With a great variety of cold meats and delicious salads, followed of course by sweets, the visitors felt very pampered. Site Manager, Janice Rumph thanked all for their support of the hospital, which at the moment is running at full capacity. However all were disappointed to hear that popular Manager Janice is leaving after spending several years travelling from her home at Ando to Delegate. She has a position at Milton/Ulladulla Hospital which she will take up early in January. Claire Strickland responded on behalf of those present and all wished Janice the best of luck in her new position.



BOCO ROCK WIND FARM OPEN DAY

Saturday 29th Nov. saw hundreds of interested people gather to view the new, completed Boco Rock wind farm, work commenced on this project in August 2013 and now there are 69 massive, functioning Turbines dotted across some high, exposed, big sky, spectacular country off the Ando - Dalgety road.

We assembled at the compound and were transported, by 50 seater buses to view the display turbine a few kms away, along the range. Information about the turbines and the project was supplied as we went.

Turbine height.... 100 metres plus blade = 130 metres; Blades....30 metres long and weigh 10 tonne each, 3 to each turbine; Box at top of turbine to drive the blades = 30 tonne. The cables and wires, of varying sizes, connecting all the turbines and the grid run underground alongside

the internal access roads that have been built. The foundations for each turbine took 30 tonnes of concrete and steel and they are very favoured by the resident cattle herd, as a place to camp, we were told. Many thanks and congratulations to the Boco Rock organisation for their hospitality, sausage sizzle, drinks, activities for kids, face painting, even 'Boco Rock' lollies for the young and young at heart, they thought of everything! It was such a very good PR exercise for these functional, elegant, graceful, quiet additions to our landscape, I wouldn't have missed it for 'quids'!



Rural people urged: in an emergency ‘just don’t drive’

NSW Ambulance is reminding rural residents not to drive themselves to hospital during medical emergencies, but to call Triple Zero (000) and ask for Ambulance.

Senior Operations Centre Officer (Southern Control) Terry Goding said too often NSW Ambulance had heard of rural patients not calling Triple Zero (000) because they “didn’t want to bother paramedics”.

“We’ve found people in rural areas are more inclined to drive themselves or family members to hospital when injured or unwell because they were concerned about ‘wasting’ paramedics’ time,” Insp Goding said. “It’s important to reassure people that NSW Ambulance is here to assist and we have people ready to respond to medical emergencies 24 hours a day.”

Insp Goding said others hesitated because they were unsure if the situation qualified as an emergency. He said NSW Ambulance Triple Zero (000) call takers not only took calls, they triaged people’s health concerns.

“Call takers are trained to assess whether people require an ambulance. In some cases it may be that an ambulance is not needed and they are referred to other clinical pathways, eg healthdirect and GPs, who can provide assistance and support. “When an ambulance is required, the sooner paramedics arrive and commence emergency treatment, the greater the chances of recovery and indeed survival. “There is also the matter of safety. A decision to drive yourself or another person to hospital in a medical emergency may endanger your life, the patient’s life and members of the public. Not only are you unable to concentrate on driving but moving some patients can make the situation worse.

“The key message is, if in doubt, always call Triple Zero (000).”

Insp Goding said that, in calling Triple Zero (000), a Telstra operator will answer and ask which emergency service was required. In the case of NSW Ambulance, the caller will be connected to an Ambulance control centre call taker who will ask a standard set of questions including: What is the address of the emergency? The phone number you are calling from? The problem? How old is the patient? Are they conscious / breathing?

“Answering these questions to the best of your ability ensures we have the most accurate information about the patient’s condition and can assess the situation quickly,” Insp Goding said.

“Once this is completed, the call taker may ask additional questions and can also provide further assistance, such as first aid advice. It is for this reason we ask that the caller not hang up until the call taker tells them.”

Insp Goding said occasionally people felt frustrated by the triage process, believing it was delaying the dispatch of an ambulance, but this was not the case.

“Once we get those address details, it goes straight to a dispatcher who can start organising an appropriate ambulance response,” he said.

“Asking these questions will also assist in the type of paramedic response required. If it’s serious, it may also trigger the dispatch of a helicopter, so there’s a lot of rationale behind the questions, but it certainly doesn’t delay the response.”

Save Triple Zero (000) for saving lives

Ambulance Service of New South Wales Email: media@ambulance.nsw.gov.au Tel: 02 9320 7796

Media Unit Web: www.ambulance.nsw.gov.au Fax: 02 9320 7804

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR CLOSURE



Council wishes to advise that the following arrangements are in place over the Christmas/New Year Period for Council's operations.

Administration Department & RMS Agency

Closed Friday, 19 December 2014, from 1.00pm onwards, re-opening on Monday, 22 December 2014. Closed from 4pm on Wednesday, 24 December 2014, re-opening on Monday, 5 January 2015.

Visitor Information Centre / Lavender House

Closed from 1.00pm on Friday, 19 December 2014, re-opening 10.00am on Saturday, 20 December 2014. Closed Thursday, 25 December, Friday, 26 December re-opening on Saturday, 27 December 2014. ***Closed on Thursday, 1 January 2015, re-opening on Friday, 2 January 2015.***

Normal opening times for the VIC are 10am to 4pm Monday to Saturday.

Bombala Swimming Pool

Closed Christmas Day Thursday 25th and Boxing Day Friday 26th December 2014 and New Year's Day Thursday 1st January 2015. Open all other days weather permitting.

Works Department

Closed Friday 19 December 2014, from 1.00pm onwards, re-opening Monday 5 January 2015.

Emergency calls regarding roads and drainage, water supply, sewerage, dog and animal impounding etc. should be directed to 0417 677 153. Alternatively, for non-urgent business, messages may be left on Council's answering machine Ph (02) 6458 3555.

Garbage & Recycling Collection

All towns waste and recycling will be on **Monday 29th December 2014.**

All towns waste and recycling will be on **Monday 5th January 2015.**

Please be aware that waste and recycling collections will take all day and possibly into the late afternoon evening.

Waste Depots

Bombala Depot:

A Special operating time will apply for Friday, 19 December only with the waste depot opening at 7.30am and closing at 12.30pm. Closed: Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day otherwise normal operating times apply - Friday to Monday 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM.

Delegate Depot: Operating hours will be as normal: Open: Saturday, 20 December 2014 Tuesday, 23

December 2014 Saturday, 27 December 2014

Tuesday, 30 December 2014

Bombala Branch Library

Closed from 1.00pm on Friday, 19 December 2014, reopening on Wednesday, 24 December 2014.

Closed from Thursday 25 December, 2014, re-opening on Wednesday 7th January, 2015.

Bombala Council Community Services

Bombala Council Community Services Office

Closed from 1.00pm on Friday, 19 December 2014, reopening on Monday, 22 December 2014.

Closed from Thursday 25 December, 2014, re-opening on Monday 5 January, 2015.

Home Modification and Maintenance Service

Will not be available from Thursday 25 December, 2014, with services recommencing on Monday 5th January, 2015

Community Transport Service

General Community Transport

Will not be available from Thursday 25 December, 2014, with services recommencing on Monday 5th January, 2015

NB: transport requirements throughout this period may be able to be met provided drivers can be sourced. Clients are advised to give as much notice as possible.

Monaro Transconnect

Will not be available from Monday 22 December 2014 and will re-commence on Monday 5 January, 2015.

Contact Centre

The Contact Centre will be closed from close of business on Wednesday, 17 December 2014, and will resume on Wednesday, 4 February 2015.

Meals on Wheels Services – Bombala

Meals will not be delivered on Thursday 25 December 2014, Friday 26 December 2014, Monday 29 December, Thursday 1 January 2015 and Monday 26 January, 2015. Clients requiring frozen meals should contact the office on 6458 4620.

Meals on Wheels Services – Delegate

Meals will not be delivered on Thursday 25 December 2014, Friday 26 December 2014, Monday 29 December, Thursday 1 January 2015 and Monday 26 January, 2015. Clients requiring frozen meals should contact the office on 6458 4620.

SUNDAY SIPPERS GENEROUS DONATIONS

The annual community donation day for the Sunday Sips Group and Christmas party was held last Sunday, December 7th. A pleasant afternoon was held with local charities and organisations benefiting after they had submitted letters requesting funds. A total of \$5,500 was given out as follows:

Delegate Pre School \$500 for the purchase of new bicycles.

Delegate Hospital Auxiliary \$500 for the residents of the MPS who enjoy their monthly lunch from the Delegate Cafe.

Delegate, Corrowong, Bendoc and Craigie Fire Brigades each received \$500 for equipment upgrade.

The Southern Monaro Community Fund received \$1000 to be used for families in need at Christmas.

The Delegate Public School received \$1500 for the purchase of a new sandpit.

The Sunday Sips group would like to thank all those who attended and were able to raise \$600 on the day to go back into the fund for next year's community giveaway.



Kading—Dare Wedding

Raymond Kading and Rebecca Dare got married in Delegate on the 29th November. Raymond and Rebecca have a daughter Lily who looked her best for her parents big day.



BOOK LAUNCH PHOTOS IN BOMBALA, COOMA, GOULBURN AND QUEANBEYAN.

