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Delegate Doings



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POSTAL SERVICES TO HAVE NEW HOME

The postal services in Delegate will be re-locating to the General Store towards the end of November and after long years of service the present small building will close for business. The Butterworth family are busy making plans to house the new services, putting in postal boxes and all the other technology required. (See notice page 2) A section of the front verandah will house the post boxes and mail sorting area. It will mean having to move the large front window, so quite a lot of building is involved. The public will be relieved that Delegate will retain postal services and most importantly BANKING.



Left: John is busy measuring up for proposed extension, while Irene displays an Australia Post form and Rowena looks on.



Left: Keith and Dulcie Bent were guests at Kevin Callaway's celebrations at Delegate Hotel.



Right: Jayne and Henry Sellers hosted a visit from the Tuesday Club at their home at Corrowong.

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Dates for your Calendar

- 5th Nov. Melbourne Cup Luncheon. Country Club bookings essential.
- 11th Nov. Armistice Service at Monument
- 23/24th Nov. Glass Slumping Workshop
- 19th Nov. DPA meeting
- 19th Nov. Delegate Campdraft AGM 8pm Delegate Hotel
- 21st Nov. Cabanandra Campdraft AGM 8pm at 'Kirkenong'
- 1st Dec. Golden Age Party, Delegate Country Club
- 3rd Dec. Snowy River March meeting.

GOLDEN AGE PARTY

A reminder to Senior Citizens of the District to mark Sunday 1st December on their calendar for the Annual Golden Age Party at the Delegate Country Club.

It is essential to book on forms available at local businesses.



LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Two Aussies were in a lifeboat. While rummaging through the boat's provisions one of them finds an old lamp. He rubs the lamp and a genie suddenly appears. This genie tells them that he only grants one wish.

Without giving much thought to the matter, the lamp finder blurts out, "Turn the entire ocean into VB". The genie claps his hands and there is a deafening crash. The genie disappears and only the gentle sound of the beer lapping on the hull breaks the stillness as the two men consider their circumstances.

The second Aussie turns to his mate and says, "Nice going mate! Now we're going to have to pee in the boat."

NOTICE TO THE PEOPLE OF DELEGATE AND DISTRICT

Staff Members of Australia Post, during a recent visit, have inspected the proposed location of service counter and post boxes held by community members and indicated that they will support the move of the Postal services, including banking, to be included within the General Store.

The Australia Post services will be relocating to the General Store towards the end of November.

We, the Butterworth family and staff, look forward to valued customers being patient with possible slower service until we are all familiar with Australia Post's computer programs!!

KEITH BENT'S PICTURE UNVEILED

It was a memorable day for local man and WW2 Veteran Keith Bent, when his portrait was unveiled, at the Delegate School of Arts, during the Anzac Series Exhibition by Wayne Dowsent on Saturday 5th October. There were a number of visitors to the Exhibition throughout the day, and a very big crowd turned up for the unveiling which took place at 5pm. Keith, accompanied by his wife Dulcie and many friends and family were there to share in Keith and Dulcie's memorable day. Most stayed on to enjoy the generous array of food and drink and to chat with Wayne and his wife Jacqui. Wayne thanked Sandra and Terry O'Hagan for organising the event and Doreen Standen of the School of Arts Committee for helping with preparation of the hall. Jacqui then presented Sandra and Doreen with a bouquet of flowers. Wayne also paid tribute to Jacqui for her help and support in making this project possible.

Another painting which created interest was of a WW2 Veteran, well known locally George (Curly) Taylor. It depicted Curly aged 97, as many will have seen him, taking his daily walk along the Bendoc Road. Wayne also gave both Keith and Curly a painting of themselves as young men. Below: Top row: Some of the paintings of veterans. Middle: Curly's portrait, and Keith and Wayne at the unveiling of Keith's portrait. Bottom row: When they were young.



JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE END OF SEASON CELEBRATIONS

For two of Delegates little men it has been a huge year. Jaidyn Clear and Fletcher Manning started off the 2013 Junior Rugby League season unsure of what the future may hold, but the light certainly shone on Presentation Day. Jaidyn showed natural ability right from the word go with his speed being almost unmatchable at times. Jaidyn was rewarded for his hard work with the Highest Point Scorer for the season. Fletcher on the other had stood back a little trying to make sense of the fact that this was somewhere that wrestling and being rough was acceptable. After early hesitance Fletcher picked up the award for the Most Improved.

Both boys really enjoyed the season with their team being invited to travel to Canberra and play before the Canberra Raiders Main Game early in the season. This program is a fantastic League initiative that has been running for many years now and was developed to give young players the chance to meet their idols and have a once in a lifetime experience.

It was a little disappointing for some of our other Delegate footy boys this year with the Junior Rugby League in this area only having enough registrations for two junior teams. It's hoped that with some new ideas and extra funding that there may be more interest for the 2014 season. Those who would like to find out more about the registration and what it on offer for families who may need support in transport or financially for the 2014 season can phone 0427 287 661



50 YEARS WORKING AT LOCAL MILLS.

A lovely surprise for Kevin Callaway on Saturday 26th October at the Delegate Hotel, when there was a celebration of his 50 years employment in local mills at Cooma and Bendoc. Workmates from both past and present were there to join in the celebrations and a great night was had by all. Daughter Toni had a special cake made for the occasion in the shape of a log, very appropriate for the occasion. Vic Forests presentation was a replica of an axe in a log, something to hold pride of place on the Callaway's mantelpiece. Among those present was a man who started work with Kevin at Cooma when he was 17 years old and other past fellow workers including Rick Kennedy who travelled all the way from the Central Coast of NSW. *Below: Left: Kevin with workmates. Right: Kevin's daughter Toni, wife Maria, Kevin holding his gift from Vic Forests, Carey Jamieson, and Peter Jones holding the microphone.*



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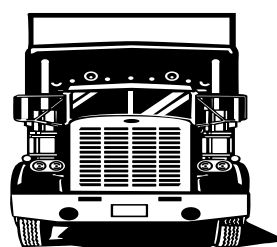
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HUMOROUS QUOTES

The nice part of living in a small town is that when I don't know what I'm doing, someone else does. (Anon)

You know there's a problem with the education system, when you realise that out of the 3 R's only one begins with an R.

If you think nobody knows you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments.

He believes that marriage and career don't mix, so after the wedding he plans to quit his job.

A little girl at a wedding asked why the bride changed her mind. "What do you mean" asked the mother. "Well she went down the aisle with one man, and came back with another."

TUESDAY CLUB VISIT CORROWONG

Favourable weather saw the Tuesday Club head of on an nostalgic trip around Tombong, Corrowong and Wallendibby. Many of the members hadn't been in these areas for many years. Fortunately Alma Reed was able to point out who lived on most of the properties. Many tales were shared about the "old characters" who had lived in our area over the past years and the dances that were held in the old Corrowong Hall. The area around Corrowong was indeed a picture with the canola and wheat crops forming a brilliant yellow and green patchwork. Members enjoyed a visit to Jayne and Henry Sellers home at Greenfields where we were warmly welcomed for tea and homemade treats and a quick look at the garden.

Thank you to Sue for the lend of her bus and to Jayne and Henry for there hospitality.



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MEN FROM SNOWY RIVER COMMEMORATION MEETING

The Committee for the above met on 22nd October to discuss ongoing plans for the 100 year Celebrations. An email was tabled from Dr. Brendon Nelson, Director of the Australian War Memorial, agreeing to be Patron of the Men From Snowy River Commemoration.

Our Committee will be represented at Wagga on 7th December at the launch of the Kangaroos re-enactment march, which will take place in October 2015.

In other news the book is taking shape, with the big task of covering all those who marched and others who joined the men at Goulburn. On 25th April, 1915 it will be 100 years since Australian and New Zealand soldiers landed at Gallipoli and Bombala Shire need information of locals who took part. We have details of some and no doubt will find more after further research. If anyone has any information please let us know. Next meeting 3rd December.



SPRING INTO SPRING BY THE RIVER

The Platypus Pals fun day which took place in Bill Jeffreys Park last week-end, with a Halloween costume theme was a popular event, with around 50 people coming together on a spring day. The children and some adults embraced the theme with some great costumes, the prize for the scariest costume went to Iris Richardson dressed as a scary witch complete with broom, the prize for the Funniest was won by Cash Reed, and the overall best by Tahlia Peime-Malone. Frisbees, mini gold, ten pin bowling and pizza cooking were activities much enjoyed, and the organisers Platypus Pals were well pleased with the enjoyable day.



Slumped Glass Jewellery Making Workshop

Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th November 2013

10am to 12pm & 2pm to 4pm

Delegate Arts Centre

\$25 per person



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: 02 6458 4622, 8 PER SESSION

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.

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- Wound care
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- Injections – with Dr's written order
- 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: Cooma Pathology Outreach Clinic held at Delegate MPS

Currently staffed by Karen.

Services provided: Blood collections and all other pathology collections.

Delegate MPS is fortunate in that this service has been running for the last 4yrs.

When you come to the MPS for this service remember to have your pathology form with you along with your Medicare card. On arrival at the MPS a number system is in place, so grab yourself a number and take a seat, Karen will call your number, numbers must stay within the MPS building. Also a reminder that fasting means no food or drink from midnight the night before.

Please remember that you may have to wait.

Pathology Clinic times for Delegate MPS

The clinic is run on a Wednesday between 9.30am and 10.30am. Closed public holidays.

Bombala Hospital also has Pathology Clinics.



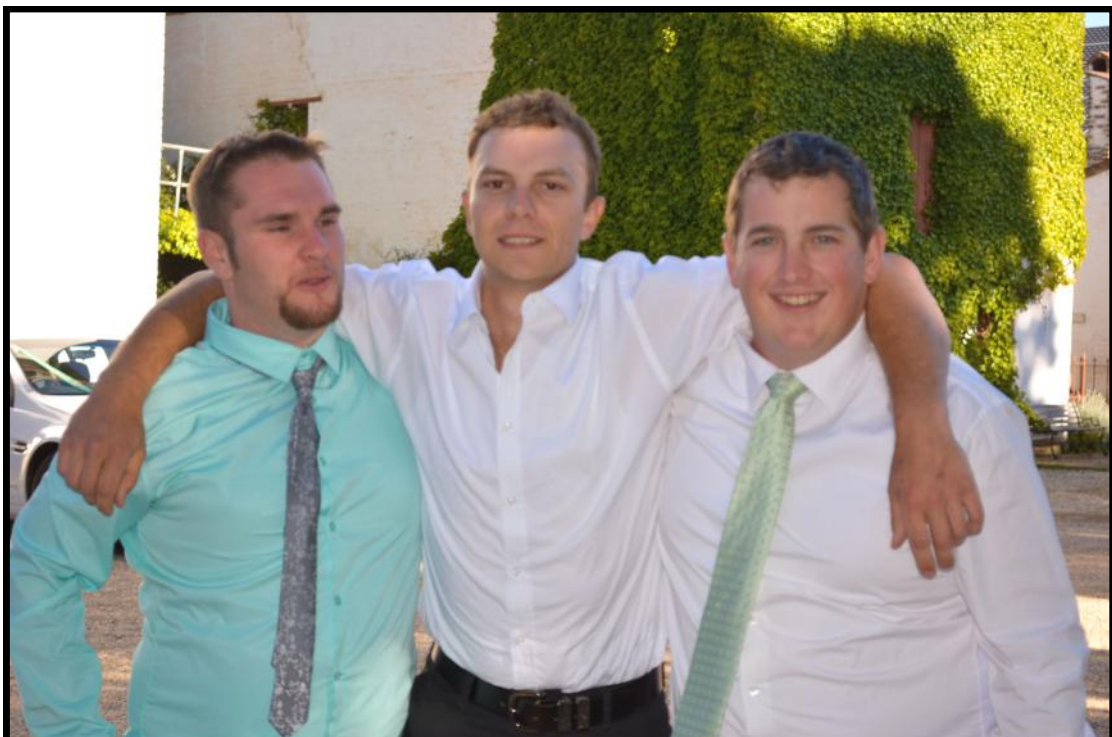
Wedding



Allen Buckman and Audrey Wright were married on Saturday 26th October in Goulburn. The reception was at the Old Goulburn Brewery and was attended by about 80 family members and friends.

Above: Sam, Russell, Audrey, Allen, Sharon and Nick Buckman.

Below: Local boys Adam Walker, Josh Towns and Edwin Marion enjoyed themselves with Josh and Edwin being groomsmen.



BIRTHDAY AND ENGAGEMENT CELEBRATIONS FOR PATRICE AND CLAY

Congratulations to Patrice Ingram and Clay Clear who celebrated their engagement and Clay's 30th birthday at a party at the Delegate Country Club on Saturday 25th October.

Family and friends travelled from near and far for this special occasion, and the big crowd danced the night away. A slide show of photos created much interest and brought back many memories. Patrice and Clay are planning their wedding to take place next Easter.



EAST GIPPSLAND VISITORS

Delegate was once again able to showcase just what's on offer in the local region recently, when fourteen Neighbourhood House Co-ordinators from throughout The East Gippsland Shire visited.

The East Gippsland Neighbourhood Committee selects a different neighbourhood House each year to host the visit and stay overnight. This year both the Bendoc and Tubbut Neighbourhood Houses shared the hosting with Delegate being the centre for accommodation and dinner. The ladies arrived at Tubbut Neighbourhood House hosted by Deb Foskey and enjoyed homemade delights for lunch. The group then traveled to Delegate and settled in for a night staying at the "Old Nurses Residence", "The Bank" and "The River Cottage". The evening kicked off with nibbles and champagne at the Gallery with all of the visitors very impressed and overwhelmed by what was on offer. Comments were made not just about the talented people in our area but how all the different pieces are displayed throughout the Gallery and Centre and the building itself. After the Gallery the visitors moved to the Delegate Country Club for a delicious roast meal and wonderful range of deserts prepared by the Delegate Hospital Auxiliary ladies. The Auxiliary Ladies were very happy to have the chance to fundraise on the night, taking over \$475.00 for the evening.

Michelle Farran entertained the guests singing and playing instruments. The highlight for the guests was that these songs were Michelle's very own, and because of this Michelle was able to share the story behind each one and the reasons they mean so much to her and her family. Wednesday morning kicked off with a Yogo Lesson at the Delegate Country Club, The Café for breakfast and then out to Bendoc Resource Centre for Morning Tea and a meeting, with lunch provided by the Bendoc Progress Association. The Coordinators left mid afternoon very satisfied with their visit all promising to come back again with friends and family. Another successful promotion for the Delegate region with several local businesses and charities benefiting from the visit.

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Ten mounted students were privileged to receive the tuition of renowned professional horse trainer, Ian Francis, who has successfully competed at numerous National and International Horse events.

A big Thank You to Yvonne and Vernon who provided First Aid and to the ladies who catered lunch and smokos for the two days.

Below: Ian Francis and the participants lined up for instruction.



Explore Bendoc Nature Conservation Reserve with the Bairnsdale Field Naturalists

This area, also known as 'Sellers', is the site of the old Bendoc School. It is a grassland rich in species – or at least, that is what the field nats are going to find out.

If you are interested in joining James Turner and the other Field Naturalists please ring Kerry Seaton to find out more.

Ph: 03 51611341 (w), 03 51540144 (weekends) or 0400088016

HERE & THERE

Congratulations to Rhian and Therese Clear on the birth of their second son, on 10th October at Canberra Hospital. The baby is to be named Dillon William, and is a brother for Callum, and 4th grand-child for Pam and Max Clear.



Many happy returns to all the November birthday people, including Norman Talbot, Terry O'Hagan, Jessi Reed, Jack Reed, and John Callaway who celebrates his 70th this week-end.



Also special 80th birthday celebrations at Bombala RSL, for a couple who were born in Delegate, twins Merv Rodwell, and Ailsa Mustard. 130 guests enjoyed a great meal, dancing and singing to music supplied by Jay Podger. Congratulations to Ailsa and Merv.

Congratulations to Curly Taylor who celebrated his 98th birthday recently. As a birthday gift, he had a knee reconstruction, which proves he is determined to keep up his daily walks.

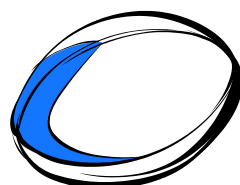
The death occurred recently at Narooma of Jim Hinds. Jim was the son of the late Anne (nee Callaway) and Jim Hinds and is survived by two brothers, and three sisters. The burial took place at Narooma.

Older residents in the district will be sad to hear that John Morgan popular HACC driver, passed away suddenly in his home in Bombala.

The death occurred at Bairnsdale of a former local, Josie Phelan (nee Jones). The funeral took place in Melbourne on Friday the 1st Nov. The deceased is survived by husband Bernie and children Brian, Peter, Julie, Michael and Paul. Sisters Nellie, Jean, Beattie, Rose and brother John (Flatout).

Sympathy is extended to all.

Congratulations to the following locals who received awards at the Bluetongues Rugby Presentation night. John Guthrie received an award for Best Forward, Jesse Abinal "Rookie of the Year", and Terry Tighe "Most Improved." The function was held at the Globe Hotel in Bombala. The Bluetongues had a good year in 2013, and are no doubt looking forward to bigger and better things in 2014.



Some of our local fire crews were called on to help out at the recent bushfires in the Blue Mountains and Lithgow State Mine fires. Victorian crews from Mallacoota, Orbost and Cann River were also called on, and spent a week there. Such fierce fires as early as October does not auger well for the coming months.

Gail Smallman and Claire Strickland of our local Hospital Auxiliary recently attended the Annual State Conference of the United Hospital Auxiliaries at Batemans Bay. They were accompanied by two members of the Bombala Branch, Betty Cowell and Jenny Brownlie.



Finery from the local Op Shop will be on display at the Tuesday Club's, Melbourne Cup lunch, at the Country Club on Tuesday 5th November.

Congratulations to Maree Ingram on her engagement to James Coates.

LOOKING BACK



The following article appeared in the Daily Telegraph in 1973. *"There's gold there son", he said. "Go get it, but never take more than you need". The year was 1942, Australia was at war, and Ossie Summerill had been given compassionate leave to visit his dying father. "There's a clearing in the swamp about 6 miles from town, from there follow the fence for half a mile, at the third corner post head right to the bush for 100 yards. So there it was an old man's legacy to his sons, an Australian el Dorado. But they never found it. The boys remembered that their father had been prospecting near Cathcart, and has come home in triumph one day with a large nugget of gold."* Perhaps someone in that family is still searching

Community Information

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Bombala : 64583444

Cooma: 6452 0099

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HOSPITAL: 6459 8000

DOCTOR: 64951369

CHURCHES

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Sister Teresa Keane: 6458 3045

Services: Delegate Saturday 6:00pm
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Bombala Sunday 9:00am
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DIRT AIN'T SOIL

There is an often quoted geological description of soil as being the “brief rest stop as rocks break down on their way to becoming the salt in the sea”. This is a simplified view of soil, what I call the “dirt” view. For although it is true that the different rocks of the Earth’s crust are made up of crystals that do ultimately dissolve into their constituent salts, a fertile soil is so much more – it is a remarkably complex living system.

Good soil has a crumbly texture that is called its structure. You could think of a soil crumb as a city of skyscrapers where the bricks are the rock particles, the mortar is organic matter, the inhabitants are the micro-organisms that use roads formed of plant roots. When organic matter is allowed to decline the buildings collapse, the inhabitants perish, the city ceases to function and the soil truly becomes “dirt”, often sterile sand drifts or hardened water repellent clays.

Fortunately, even though it takes eons to break up solid rock into particles, in the garden it can be quite a quick process to restore the organic matter by bringing in mulch and manure, making compost or growing and digging in green manure. This is the means of adding carbon to the soil that provides the all-important energy source for the activity of microbes that make a healthy soil.

In contrast to microbes and other soil organisms such as worms, plants get their own energy from sunlight and they capture carbon in the process but they also require a range of nutrients in order to grow. Some of these nutrients come from the parent rock e.g. soils developed on limestone are usually high in calcium but many of the other essential nutrients are released only by the activity of soil organisms especially the fungi. Earthworms are important large soil inhabitants that make channels that allow the entry of water into the soil profile but also usefully line their burrows with soluble iron that is then available for uptake by plant roots. The element nitrogen is critical to the manufacture of protein by plants and gives them a rich green colour.

Although nitrogen is the dominant gas in the atmosphere and is a common item getting it into the soil in a plant usable form is a complicated process. To do this we rely on a bacteria (rhizobia) that ‘breathes’ nitrogen. By forming colonies on the roots of specialised plants these bacteria donate nitrogen directly to their hosts. The best known group of plants with the ability to capture nitrogen are the legumes and the most common representatives in agriculture are peas, beans, clover and vetches. In the broader landscape the capture of nitrogen is achieved by understorey plants such as wattles and casuarinas. When these are selectively removed from the forest the system runs down. The same thing happens when clover is removed from the lawn, eventually the grass yellows and can only be made green again by applying an artificial fertiliser such as sulphate of ammonia.

However the real importance of plants rich in nitrogen (and therefore protein) is that these plants allow animals both big and microscopic to build muscle.

Where meat is scarce human populations rely directly on chick peas, lentils dried beans and broad beans as their protein source. We all now recognise that we are utterly dependent on bees to pollinate our most important food crops but we also rely on the not-so-humble rhizobia bacteria to provide the nitrogen that permits that plant growth.

Where would we be without either the bees or the nitrogen fixing rhizobia bacteria? The short answer is we wouldn’t be here at all.

