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# Delegate Doings



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## SPRING HAPPENINGS IN DELEGATE

Spring sunshine brings on more activities in the Delegate Community, the Bendoc community bus took fourteen garden lovers to Floriade, in Canberra ( see page seven) and the Bundian Way Gallery saw the opening of a new exhibition, “ **The Yuin in Me**” this is a solo exhibition by prolific, talented Artist, Natalie Bateman, from Dalmeny. Her paintings are well worth a look, some more traditional with others tending more modern in design and colour. With introductions by John Blay, co-ordinator, Bundian Way and Sue Haslingden, representing the Bombala Council, the exhibition was opened to an enthusiastic crowd.

Right: Platypus painting, Jasmin Williams, John Blay, Natalie Bateman and Ian Sellers.

Below: Natalie Bateman, Ian Sellers and Sue Haslingden.

More Paintings in the Vault.



Next Issue: 7th Nov    then: 12th Dec    and: 6th Feb 2015

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### Dates for your Calendar

- 21st October AGM Delegate Progress Association.
- 4th October Grand Final day at the Pub.
- 14th October Tuesday Club outing.
- 18th October—Bombala Races (Caulfield Cup day)
- 25th October—Spring into Spring at Bill Jeffreys Park
- 1st November Bombala Anglican Parish Garden Day
- 2nd November, “*The Men from Snowy River*” book launch
- 4th November—Tuesday Club Melbourne Cup Lunch
- 9th November Above book launch at Bombala.

### LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

After his baby brother’s christening, Jason sobbed all the way home. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally the boy replied “The Preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I wanted to stay with you”.

#### One liners:

The maths teacher confiscated a rubber band slingshot from her class because it was a weapon of math’s disruption.

Where can men over sixty find younger sexy women who are interested in them?

Try a bookstore under fiction.

### BOOK LAUNCH AND INFORMATION DAY

**The book “The Men from Snowy River”**

**Will be launched by Jennifer Collins**

**(Deputy Director Dept. of Veteran Affairs)**

**At 11.30 am on Sunday 2nd November**

**Along with a display and information about the proposed March Re-Enactment**

**At the**

**DELEGATE  
SCHOOL OF  
ARTS.**



### YOU BE THE JUDGE

A good idea since baby is going to be handed the expensive phone anyway? A needless product aimed at parents incapable of saying “No you can’t play with that” Fisher Price has launched “the first-ever Iphone cover for babies”. The App Case protects phones from “drops, dribbles and grubby fingers”, stops baby from changing the display and has a rattle and a mirror.

**WHAT NEXT**

### SHORT FILM COMPETITION

**A reminder to all budding young film makers that the competition will be on again next year.**

**Have your films ready for judging by next February. Films displayed and prizes distributed at the Annual Show.**

**See article page 4.**

## DELEGATE DARTS

The darts finals held recently at the Delegate Country Club saw the completion of another successful competition which has held sway in the district since 1997. During the cold winter months a social get together for all ages in the warm atmosphere of the Pub or the Club is possibly one of the secrets of its enduring success.

This year A grade winners were the Bombala team who defeated Payto's side 15 to 14. It was Bombala first win since the competition started so there was great excitement when John Moreing was presented with the trophy by Graeme Payten. The battle for B grade shield was won by *The Young Ones* a group of mainly young newcomers including Brodie and Michael Lewis, Adam Mikula, Brendon Smith, Aaron Lewis, Greg Wilson. They were assisted in the finals by the steadying influence of Michael and Brodie's Dad Craig Lewis.

The darts doubles tournament took place on 6th September, and this time Shaun Walcott and Neil Ingram were the new champions. Runners up were Graeme Payten and Renae Stuart.



## TUESDAY CLUB

Cool weather after the last couple of months has seen the Tuesday Club having to postpone its last two outings. August was to have been a trip to Bendoc with lunch and 'Bootscooting' in the Bendoc Hall. September an afternoon tea of Billy Tea and Damper at the Early Settlers Hut. Both outings have been postponed until the weather is warmer. Only a small group gathered for afternoon tea and a chat to say 'Bon Voyage' to one of our members who is off to Italy with two of her daughters and other family members. All wish her a safe return home.

The Tuesday Club also lost one of our older members, Mrs Bessie Cameron, a truly remarkable and inspirational lady. She will be sadly missed and our sincere sympathy to all her family.

Our next gathering is October 14th with a trip to Bombala for lunch and late afternoon tea at Lavender House.

Bookings are essential for catering and transport. So please ring Sandra Walker on 64588089 no later than Monday 13th October.

## SHORT FILM COMPETITION

This year the theme for the short film competition will be "Anzac" in line with the 100 year centenary of World War 1.

There are lots of photos and posters about that war, both at the Delegate museum and the RTC.

Last year the local primary school were the only participants in the Junior short film competition. Next year with the knowledge gained we hope to see many individual entries. Also it would be great to see high school students taking part. A very experienced judge, Tim Tony will be doing the honours next year, so it is hoped that the entries roll in, as it created much interest at last year's show. With the summer holidays on the horizon students will have plenty of time to experiment, and produce a masterpiece. The RTC and the Delegate Museum have photos which they could use. The one on right is of Les Allen from Bibbenluke R and Monte Primmer L. Both were both killed in France in WW1.



## POETRY COMPETITION

As a one off, this year to commemorate the 100 year centenary of the landing at Gallipoli, the Delegate Progress Association are offering a prize for the winning poem on the theme of Anzac

It is proposed that the winning poem will be read out at the Anzac Day celebrations in Delegate on 25th April, 2014. Entries will have to be in at least three weeks before for judging. More details to be printed in December issue.

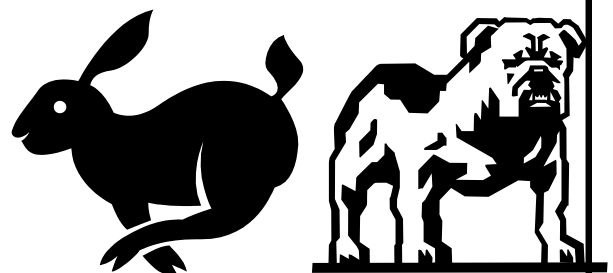


Above: The Anzac landing at Gallipoli

## GRAND FINAL DAY AT THE PUB

This year as the Delegate Hotel will be holding their usual Grand Final celebrations on Sunday 4th October. The Sunday Sippers will arrive at 4pm, and a Barbecue will follow. The two lower grade Grand finals will be shown during the afternoon before the main game kicks off at 7.30.

The Sunday Sippers each year fund raise and donate cheques to various organisations in the district.



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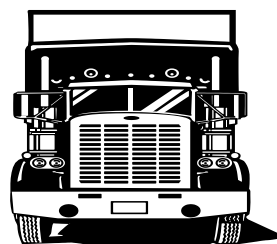
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## **BENDOC BUS JOURNEYS TO CANBERRA FOR FLORIADE.**

Fourteen intrepid garden lovers set off on a wet day to Canberra on Thursday 18th September, trusting that the ACT forecast for showers clearing was correct. Fortunately the forecast was correct and a great time was had by all, with very pleasant weather all morning. Alma, Shirley and Meryl decided to take a ride on the Ferris wheel, where they were treated to wonderful views of the whole display. Around lunch time a heavy shower came over and sent everyone scurrying for the nearest tent. A group of us took shelter in the tent promoting the Asia Soccer Cup, and we were treated to a traditional dance by a very attractive young lady in her colourful costume. It was then on to the luncheon tent and the weather soon cleared to allow everyone to not only admire the beautiful flower displays in various themes but to visit interesting shops and various displays were much appreciated and admired by all. Our obliging driver for the day was Russel Buckman.

Below: L. Alma Reed, Meryl Reed, Helen Stevenson, Shirley Badewitz and Roma Brownlie shelter under a tree. R. Natalie Armstrong, Shirley Badewitz Meryl Reed, Roma Brownlie and Helen Stevenson.



Above: The group alight from the bus 1. To r. Helen Stevenson, Shirley Badewitz, Sharon Buckman, Maureen Peisley, Carmelita Talbot, Claire Strickland, Aurora Reed, Alma Reed, Margaret Weir, Roma Brownlie and Charlie Burton.

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## SENIORS EXERCISE CLASS.

A group of seniors after having lost their exercise class with a professional instructor, decided to go it alone, and meet at the old Bowling club building each Tuesday. With all instructions for the various exercises stuck around the walls they are able to work at their own pace. They have a group of nine, but not everyone is able to come each week. They often finish the classes with catching a ball or doing some dance exercises to music.

Pictured are five of them doing the Hokey Pokey, photo courtesy Helen Nocny who made No. six. There has been interest from more people wanting to join the class, but the group feel that space does not permit any more. The hall would be available for rental if a younger group decided to start their own class.

Cynthia Dolan conducts Tai Chi classes in the same building each Thursday.



## QUEANBEYAN WARATAHS WIN OPEN NETBALL GRAND FINAL

Georgia Reed granddaughter of Alma and Barry Reed and Natalie Armstrong recently took part in the Queanbeyan Netball Open grand final. In a hard fought game they defeated the Jerrabomberra team by one point. In an article in the Queanbeyan Age their coach Rena Spears said she believes that young netball shooters Jacoba Clough and Georgia Reed will move up the ranks quickly in the future, after they starred in her side's 36-35 grand final win. She went on to say that both Clough and Reed were inspirational in their performance, withstanding Jerra's committed defence to shoot most of their side's goals under pressure. "They did an exceptional job when you consider that Jacoba is only 15 years old and Georgia is 16". "It was nail biting, to Jerra's credit they fought back and made it a one-point ball game" Spears said. Both girls participated in the South East Regional Netball Academy this year and also play in Queanbeyan's Netball's ACT State League division which is currently in it's Spring season. Georgia who is in year 11 at Karabar High School is at present in Japan, along with a group of other students visiting Queanbeyan's regional sister city Minami Alps, which is two or so hours from Tokyo. During her stay with a very nice Japanese family, Georgia has spent the day at a Japanese school with her host student, visited Mount Fuji, and is going to Japan's Disneyland before flying home on Thursday 2nd September. She is reported to be thoroughly enjoying her stay.



Above: The successful Waratahs Open team. Georgia is second on right in front row.

### **Anzac Centenary Local Grants for Bombala and Delegate**

- Bombala Council \$27,000 – to print March of the Snowy River Men history and a High School book, construction and installation of memorials in Bombala and Delegate, promotion for launches, research, project administration and management;

The Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program is a key element of the Coalition Government's Anzac Centenary program,



## 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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- Injections – with Dr's written order
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### **Pathology clinic**

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

### **Other Services**

Women's Health Nurse

3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the month

Dietician and Diabetes Educator

2<sup>nd</sup> Thur of the month

Immunisations – 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

# Floriade





ABN 21 570 922 668

## 2015 CITIZEN, YOUNG CITIZEN, SPORTSPERSON AND COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR

*Bombala Council is seeking nominations for the Bombala Local Government Area's Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Sportsperson of the Year and Community Event of the Year for 2015. The four awards will be presented by Council's Mayor at the Annual Australia Day Celebrations.*

Nominations, on the appropriate form, will be accepted by Council up until 5.00pm, Friday, 5 December 2014 and may be submitted by individuals or organisations.

Information on how to submit an application can be obtained from the Guidelines. Guidelines and Nomination forms may be obtained from Council's offices, Bombala Newsagency, Bombala Post Office and Delegate CTC or can be downloaded from Council's website [www.bombala.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bombala.nsw.gov.au).

### Bombala Council Meeting Dates and Deadline for Public Submissions

NOTE: The October 2014 Council Meeting will be held at the Delegate Hotel.

Council Meeting Date	Deadline for
15 October 2014 ( <b>Delegate</b> )	1 October 2014
19 November 2014	5 November 2014
17 December 2014	3 December 2014
21 January 2015	7 January 2015
18 February 2015	4 February 2015
18 March 2015	4 March 2015
15 April 2015	1 April 2015
20 May 2015	6 May 2015
16 June 2015	3 June 2015
15 July 2015	1 July 2015
19 August 2015	5 August 2015
16 September 2015	2 September 2015

For further information please contact Council on 02 64583555.

**YOU ARE INVITED**  
**TO THE MAD HATTERS TEA PARTY**

**Don't be late, don't be late...**

Follow the white rabbit down the magic hole, follow the white rabbit to Bill Jeffrey Park on Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup> for the annual Spring into Spring, with this years theme, of course, being the madhatters Tea Party. All the fun kicks off at 12 noon with fun and games for the kids including cobb oven cooking, spring garden planting, treasure hunt adventure and much more. Get the kids to start making their mad hatters hats, of course there will be prizes. Gilbert's Coffee Van will be on site, hot dogs and cup cakes will be on the menu. You are also invited to bring your own picnic lunch or BBQ, the Cobb Oven will be alight (you can use the oven after we have finished with our pizza fun). The fun will be had by 3pm so don't be late. The day is an aMAZEing family fun day, free of charge. Don't forget your MAD HAT.



**Anglican  
Parish  
Garden Day**

**Saturday 1st November, 2014**

**Commencing at 10.00am  
with registration and morning tea  
at Bibbenluke Hall, Bibbenluke.**

**Cost—\$15.00 p.p. and a gold coin entry for  
lunch. Four gardens in the Bibbenluke area  
will be open on the day up until 3.00pm.**

**Lunch will be served at the Bibbenluke Hall  
between 12.30pm—2.30pm. A variety of  
local market stalls will also be at the lunch  
venue.**

**Please come along—bring some friends and  
enjoy some beautiful gardens.**

**Phone Enquires: 0428305215**

## MICHELLE'S AWARD.



Above: Michelle Ingram who recently received an award for long service at the Delegate MPS, along with fellow worker Glenise Ingram, is pictured above receiving her award from Manager of the Delegate MPS Janice Rumph.

## MEN FROM SNOWY RIVER MARCH COMMITTEES TO MEET IN QUEANBEYAN.

Representatives of the above Committee in Queanbeyan who along with members of the various Committees involved in the re-enactment march will meet with Steve Elliott who is in charge of all NSW traffic involving the Centenary celebrations. They will be able to present their plans for approval for the marchers in their towns and discuss various options with Steve.

Penny Judge is planning to visit schools after the holidays with a view to starting a small Commemorative choir. Numbers are anticipated to grow as children show their interest in joining and they will be able to perform at the various Centenary Commemorations which are planned through the district in the 2014/15/16.

Plans are also taking shape for the various book launches, which will take place in Delegate, Bombala, Cooma, Queanbeyan and Goulburn within the next two months. The launches will include information about the proposed re-enactment march and it is hoped that good numbers will attend.

The Committee were also very pleased that Bombala had received their grant for the Centenary Celebrations from the Australian Government Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program of which \$4000.00 has been allotted for expenses incurred in the printing and launching of our book.

It has certainly been a very busy time for Members of the Committee and they are looking forward to planning for Delegate's big week-end in January, 2016. They would welcome more people to come on board to help out with arrangements for Delegate's re-enactment of events which took place 100 years before. Also the Bombala Australia Day Committee have agreed to hold their events at Delegate on the Saturday, 23rd January, so it will be a very big week-end.

# HERE & THERE

Happy birthday to the following folk who were born in October:

Janice Lewis, Shannen Talbot, Daniel Talbot, Doreen Standen, Uland Sievert, Annette Twomey, Gloria Cotterill, Peter Guthrie, Trina Manning, Brendon Cotterill, Kerrie Cushieri



Congratulations to Lachlan Sellers who was chosen to be School Co-Captain at Bombala High. Lachie's whose two brothers Dominic and Harry are both away a University is undecided as to which brother he will follow, whether into Agriculture or in one of the fields of Medicine.

The next important item on the local racing calendar is the Bombala Races on Caulfield Cup Day. In recent years this annual event has been pulling large crowds. Last year the weather was perfect and organisers will be hoping for a repeat this year. Fashions in the field are a popular fixture on the day with plenty of en-



trants vying for the prize of best dressed.



This week we have had our usual four seasons in one week weather. After a series of beautiful spring days we have been hit

with an Arctic blast, with temperatures plummeting. However after some high winds there was some moisture fell during the night which was welcome.

The daffodils are creating a pretty picture around the town and in the parks. Their golden trumpets are always a welcome sight.



Delegate has been contacted by some folk from Buchan and Bruthen in Victoria who have received a Heritage Grant to record the names of Victorian enlistees from North East Gippsland in WW1. We were able to help with quite a number of names, as many of them enlisted in New South Wales. Four of them were Snowy River men.



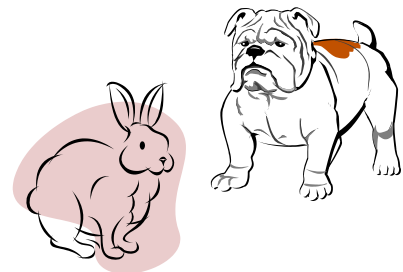
*In camp at Goulburn, 1916.*

Some of our local jet setters arrive home this week-end. We understand Joan Jones will be home in time to cheer for her beloved "Bulldogs".

Garden lovers will be treated to their usual feast of colour at the Annual Anglican Garden Day to be held on Saturday 1st. November, commencing at Bibbenluke.



The NRL Grand Final is on this week-end with the South Sydney Rabbitohs being red hot favourites to defeat the battling "Bulldogs". Souths have not won a competition since 1971, so they will have a lot of popular support. There will be a big Grand Finals day at the Delegate Hotel.



The first of the Platypus Country's Fireside Chats will be held at the Delegate School of Arts on Sunday 4th. October with Bronwyn Wright. Afternoon tea will be served.

The Transconnect bus will now drop off at Kingston Railway Station for those who find the early start and the longer roundabout trip through Jindabyne a nuisance. Bookings can be made on 6451 1054

# LOOKING BACK



DELEGATE CRICKET TEAM 1940. Some help required with names;

Second from left back row Neville Callaghan.

Front Row L. to R. Murray Crawford, Clem Ingram, Vince Jones, Doug Campbell, Jack Callaghan



In February we printed this photo of Maude and Bill Mead's wedding, and as usual did not know all the names. Thanks to a visit from a relative Edna Hayden of Cooma, we are now able to fill in the blanks.

Maryanne and Charlie McCoy, Alec Hayden, the bride and groom, Wallace Hayden, Gertie Hayden (Alec's wife) Charlie Hayden. Children L. To R. Aileen Hayden, Josie Hayden, Jim Hayden, Ted Hayden. The little girl we named as Clarice was Elizabeth Bowden.

# Community Information

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**POLICE**

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Bombala Sunday 9:00am  
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## October Gardening—Plant focus - Aucuba

There are about ten species in the genus *Aucuba* and although they are native to China, Korea and Japan all Aucubas are commonly known as Japanese laurels. The plants were introduced to England in 1783 and since then a multitude of varieties have been selected by nurserymen. Some species have plain green leaves but the ones most commonly grown in Australian gardens are the coloured selections of *Aucuba japonica* often called ‘gold dust plants’. They were once very widely grown but went out of fashion about the time of WW11, which is surprising since they demonstrate some remarkable botanical and horticultural features.

Botanically they belong to a minority group of plants that occur as separate male and female plants (dioecious). Some other dioecious plants are kiwi fruit and asparagus. Wherever there is a male plant nearby the female Aucubas also bear clusters of showy bright red berries that last throughout winter. The berries follow on from the quite insignificant trusses of purple flowers that occur in Spring.



Figure 1. A typical leaf pattern of the female *Aucuba*.

Aucubas are unusual horticulturally in that they are evergreen shrubs that prefer shade and although their natural environment is in moist valleys will tolerate drought as well as grow happily in snow and they are usually pest and disease free. Some of the best hedges I have seen are in the deep snow of Belgium. Aucubas are extremely long lived and can be rejuvenated even after 100 years of neglect as often demonstrated in the rehabilitation of heritage gardens in Europe.

Aucubas are easy to propagate by cuttings that are usually started in coarse sand but the easiest way to get new plants is to allow pieces to grow roots in a vase. This is quite a convenient method as *Aucuba* foliage is a great vase filler that lasts for months in water. In both garden and vase the speckled foliage enhances yellow flowers such as daffodils as well as providing good contrast to blue flowers. Aucubas also make lush potted plants indoors.

Another unusual feature of Aucubas is that the colour contrast on their leaves actually improves in shade due to the operation of two effects. Most other plants need full sun to maintain their yellow pigments but *Aucuba* maintains the yellow flecks regardless. However, in full sun the green in the leaves tends to fade and shade will intensify the green and therefore the contrast. In addition, the cultivars with big yellow blotches tend to be the male plants and these are prone to sunburn which manifests as brittle brown patches or as cupped leaves so the males in particular appreciate shade.

Having large glossy leaves Aucubas bring glowing light to areas such as under trees that normally absorb light and appear dull. So if you need a trouble free shrub the Japanese laurel may just suit.