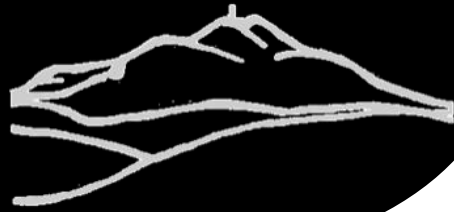


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FASHIONS THROUGH THE AGES EXHIBITION

A crowd of around 30 people attended the opening of the Fashions Through the Ages, exhibition, from the collection of Joan Jones. There is a wonderful mix of photos, clothes, accessories and memorabilia, most of which was contributed by Joan. Also Joan's talented daughter, Cynthia Bryson Jones brought along three of her wonderful hats and Doreen Standen supplied two of the lovely dresses from her collection. DPA President Robin Guthrie thanked everyone for attending and Joan for the amazing exhibition and wondered, as we all did where she managed to fit it all. Joan's daughter Janice supplied the answer – "Well, seven children moved out." Below: Joan and daughters Cynthia and Janice and some of the items on display.



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then: 4th June

and: 2nd July

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Dates for your Calendar

- 10th April—Rugby League in Delegate
- 15th April DPA Meeting

GALLIPOLI – A POEM FOR ANZAC day.

I stand on quiet hillside
And gaze at the peaceful shore.
No guns to break the silence
And tell what has gone before.
A gentle breeze moves the grass,
Where unknown graves lay hidden,
In this lonely place of history
Memories flood in, unbidden.
Of men from two young countries
Landing on this fatal shore
Tasked to do the impossible
They tried, but could do no more
The rows of silent headstones
Tell the story all too well
Of the bravery and the sacrifice
Of the Anzacs who landed in hell.
First the heat and the wounded's cries
As they lay in this rough terrain
A long way from a hospital ship,
With nothing to ease their pain
Then the biting cold of winter
When they left that foreign shore.
To dream of home so far away
And be sent to another war.
Those who survived the hellfire
Would forever on their mind,
Have the horror, and the sadness,
For the mates they left behind.
I think of the boys in that bloody war,
And I weep for their loss and their pain,
And think of the folly of sending them there,
Where so many died in vain
So I stand here today to remember,
These men I have never met
And bow my head and say a prayer
And vow I will never forget.



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THANKYOU

**Clive and Lorraine would like to
thank our family and friends for
celebrating our 60th Wedding
Anniversary with us and for the many
gifts and cards which we received.**

Delegate Tigers 1970 Clayton Cup Reunion

- Rugby League in Delegate Saturday April 10th 2021
- Delegate will host the Bombala Blue Heelers and Cooma Stallions in all grades Saturday April 10th (weekend after Easter).
- This game will be a reunion and celebration of the Delegate Tigers Clayton Cup 1970 winning side who defeated Bibbenluke 15 7 in Cooma in the grand final. Delegate were awarded the Claytons Cup as the best performed team in country NSW that year. Ex-players and supporters of any era are very welcome as are players and supporters of Bibbenluke.
- The Blue Heelers first grade side will play in heritage Tiger jumpers which will be presented by 1970's players or their descendants to the first- grade side at half time in the reserve grade.
- Following the game, the Delegate country club will host game day presentations and an auction of the heritage jumpers.
- This game marks 51 years due the last years cancellation. It is expected that the Clayton Cup will be on display. Please support the Blue Heelers and the Delegate Country Club as football makes what is hoped to be an annual return to 'windy hill'.



Country Club News

Thankfully things are starting to pick up again at the Country Club with restrictions easing. Friday nights have been busy with budget-friendly, family meals and the courtesy bus running.

The 10th of April will be a big night at the Club with the 1970 Clayton Cup Reunion. There will be auctions, raffles, and lamb and gravy rolls. A coach will run from Bombala - Delegate return, and our own courtesy bus will be running locally.

ANZAC day lunch will be held on the 25th April. There will again be Two-Up and a hand or two of Euchre. Bookings for the lunch are essential, and are needed ASAP. Please book either at the Club or with Bec Kading on 0407089677.

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Happy Birthday Natalie

Natalie Armstrong cutting her cake at her Birthday celebrations held by the exercise group at the Tennis Club. Natalie will be 93 on the 3rd April.



GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION

Around 60 people gathered at the Country Club on Saturday 13th March, to celebrate Lorraine and Clive Cottrell's 60th Wedding Anniversary. It was a very happy occasion, with the guests of honour's four children Jodie, Greg, Leonie and Tracey, their grandchildren and great grandchildren as well as their four siblings, all joining Lorraine and Clive on their special day. A lavish luncheon provided by the family was enjoyed by guests before the formal proceedings of cutting the beautiful cake and a congratulatory speeches by Phillip, Clive's brother and Jodie, their eldest daughter.

Our congratulations to Lorraine and Clive –60years married is a great achievement.

Below: Back L to R: Greg, Lorraine, Clive. Front: Tracey Leonie, Jodie and some of the great grandchildren.



DELEGATE TOWNSHIP WATER PROPOSAL

Quite a crowd turned up to hear the proposal by representatives of the Snowy Monaro Regional Council for the new water scheme for the town.

Water supplied to Delegate Township is designated as non-potable and residents are on a Boil Water Notice. Water is from a weir on the Delegate River. The weir is located upstream of the Delegate Township. The water is chlorinated and pumped to a reservoir on top of a hill overlooking the town. From the tank, the disinfected water flows by gravity into the town reticulation system.

Recommended Option. Effective Treatment requires a 2- stage process of clarification (Lamella plate clarifier or Dissolved Air Floatation) then filtration (Gravity dual media filters or Micro-filtration). UV then chlorine disinfection is needed to achieve Health Based Targets. The preferred 0.5ML/d capacity treatment process for the Delegate WTP is: New raw water pumps Repurpose the existing 283 kL reservoir tank as a raw water storage to balance out changes in raw water quality and provide some security of supply capability UV disinfection then chlorination New 800 kL tank for treated water storage Sludge treatment by sludge drying beds Allowance in floor area within the treatment plant building for future addition of PAC, potassium permanganate and ammonia dosing The key benefit of this Microfiltration (MF) based system based option is the presence of a physical membrane. This is important for a river raw water supply system where raw water quality can change rapidly. In addition Council has experience with MF technology at nearby Dalgety WTP. Also, usually a MF based process requires less operator attendance at site compared to gravity filters based process, as it is more an automatic process The main benefit this type of clarification is, that it can handle higher solids loading due to high dose of coagulant for events of high turbidity plus colour.

Work will be done on the Delegate and Bombala projects at the same time, and estimated completion date is March 2023. The present cost of water to users per KL is \$3.18.

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ANZAC Day 2021



Important Update to ANZAC Day services

Delegate RSL Sub Branch has been formally granted an Exemption (with conditions) from the NSW Covid 19 rules for ANZAC Day 2021

This means we can now hold a march.

Everyone who wishes to March has to provide their name and contact number to the Sub Branch prior to the march proceeding. If you do not provide these details you will not be allowed to march.

Members of the public who line the road to watch the march and service do not have to provide contact details but are asked to maintain Covid safe distancing.

We have approached the Council Traffic Committee for permission to hold a March and for a Road Closure to be granted but are still awaiting a reply from Council.

So, our current plan is to hold the Dawn service at the Cenotaph, followed by a gunfire breakfast at the RSL Hall as reported in last months paper.

Also hold a March, starting at the Cenotaph in Delegate and marching to the Memorial Gates for a short service. We ask people who wish to march to get in contact with our Secretary, Mr Bill Bateman on 0428 431 942 or delegatesb@rslnsw.org.au prior to the 25th of April and register your details.

The ANZAC March and Service will be followed by Lunch at the Delegate Country Club.

Bookings are essential. Book either at the Club or with Bec Kading 0407089677

The marchers are requested to arrive at the Cenotaph at 10:30 with an aim to march off at 11am.

Should our road closure not be forthcoming, we will revert to holding a service in the Memorial Park starting at 11am without a March.

If any further changes come to light, we will post notices on the Café and General Store windows and on the Delegate RSL Sub Branch and Delegate Community Facebook Pages.

Thank you for your understanding as we navigate this regulatory minefield.

Phil Pope

President

Delegate Sub Branch.



Community feedback needed on rates changes

The state government deadline for amalgamated councils to introduce a single unified rate structure is approaching and Snowy Monaro Regional Council is asking for the community's help.

After the merge of the three former councils in the now Snowy Monaro, the state government froze any changes to rates in the area. NSW State Government legislation requires all merged Councils to implement a harmonised rating structure by 1 July 2021, which means the way rates are calculated must be the same for every landholder in the region.

Council will not receive any additional revenue from the changes.

There will be two periods of consultation on the new rates structure, with the initial period open now and closing on 30 April 2021.

Council's YourSay page at www.yoursaysnowymonaro.com.au has been updated with detailed information, FAQs, an open forum, and the survey where residents can indicate their preferences for the upcoming changes.



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Weigh in on waste management

Snowy Monaro Regional Council is calling on the community to provide their feedback on the new draft waste management strategy for the region.

In 2020 residents of the Snowy Monaro were consulted about how waste is currently managed in the region. This feedback was instrumental in bringing this new draft strategy to fruition.

“The people of the Snowy Monaro were forthright with their feedback on this important topic and I am happy to say that we’ve been able to incorporate it in this draft strategy,” said Mayor Peter Beer, Snowy Monaro Regional Council.

The recurring requests from 2020’s community consultations were:

- Expansion of kerbside collection services
- Green bins (food organics and garden organics)
- Bulky waste collection
- Accessibility and affordability

Under the draft strategy kerbside collections will expand to cover more areas. Households and businesses currently receiving kerbside collection services will be eligible to receive a food organics and garden organics (FOGO) green bin.

Additionally there will be a trial of bulky waste collection for pensioners, concession card holders and people with a disability. If this trial proves successful the business case for further expansion of the service will be considered.

The community is encouraged to find full information, community information sessions, and the opportunity for direct feedback online through Council’s YourSay page at www.yoursaysnowymonaro.nsw.gov.au

WALKING THE BUNDIAN WAY.

Over the Easter week-end a group of 10 or more will be walking from Kosciusko to Delegate, following the ancient Bundian Way pathway used by the aborigines. They expect to arrive in Delegate on Easter Saturday where they will stay overnight at the Nurses Cottage. On Saturday evening they plan to meet with John Blay for dinner at the Delegate Pub, when it is expected members of the Delegate Progress Association will join them.

Bundian Way—One Path -many stories (*Bundian Way Story Walk* *Eden Aboriginal Land Council*)

Our ancient journey

We rise before *Gugunyal* (kookaburra) wakes to lead the morning bird song. Soon we will leave *Turemulerrerr* for *Maneroo*, and the Bogong moth ceremonies of *Targangal*. As the sun rises we look out over the bay and in the distance see the *Beowas*, the killer whales – ancestors of the *Katungal* – who bring the baleen whale into shore for us to eat, for healing the elders and for new tools, during the *Jaanda* (whale) and springtime ceremonies. As we travel the Bundian Way our ancestor spirits sing to us. The Bundian Way is an ancient Dreaming songline. We watch many a sun rise and fall as we walk in the forests around *Balawan*, then climb high through river country and over mountains on to the *Maneroo* plains, covered in wildflowers. We eat crops of sweet yams we tended on our way to *Turemulerrerr* and

the *Jaanda* ceremonies, and pass the *Burus* (kangaroos) basking in the sun. At night we rest by creeks and springs, on soft grass we keep low by burning. We fall asleep to the sound of nocturnal creatures, crashing, scraping, calling and flying through the bush. For thousands of years, since the Dreamtime, this has been the way, taking care of our land, connecting country, taking care of each other.



SUCCESSFUL MARKET DAY

A good crowd turned up to the Funky Furniture competition and market stalls held last Saturday morning. Visitors were asked to vote for the best item in the competition;



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DELEGATE SCHOOL NEWS

Bella, Georgie, Wyatt, Jessi and Cooper made the five-and-a-half-hour trek to Dapto near Wollongong for the South Coast Regional PSSA Swimming Carnival. A big shout out to Cooper, who stepped up at late notice to replace Georgie in the Relay Team after she sustained an ankle injury in the lead up to the event. Thanks so much to Dennielle, Lesley and James who also came along to cheer the kids on during the event. We had a great trip there and back and also got to experience a range of opportunities and exciting events on the way home to Delegate. Students got to observe the filming of a news report and to meet and chat with the news presenter after filming. We had a cultural toilet stop at the National Gallery of Australia where we were able to view a range of works that helped break up the trip as well.

Thursday saw the return to some type of normality for our students when we were able to host Bombala PS and St Joseph's for our Annual Djamalan PSSA Cross Country Carnival at the Delegate Country Club. Students from our school were exceptionally behaved and also competed with pride and skill on the day. The Djamalan PSSA Cross Country Team was made up of 37 students and 14 of those come from Delegate Public School. This is once again a fantastic achievement from our students given we are such a small school. As a school community, we should all be extremely proud of these kids and their efforts. Congratulations to Amelia, Harlan, Lola, Georgie, Mason, Cooper, Kyden, Fred, Bella, Layla, Ella, Ally, Wyatt and Kadence for making the Djamalan team and we look forward to following their progress next Wednesday at Nimmitabel as they strive to make the Snowy Mountains PSSA team to compete in Camberwarra near Nowra later in the year.



RURAL DOCTOR'S MEDIA RELEASE

The Rural Doctors Association of Australia in their recent Budget submission submitted a raft of practical, costed suggestions to the Federal Government, which outlines how the existing money in rural health could be better invested to achieve real results on the ground.

In spite of the fact that over one billion dollars are invested each year aimed at improving access to Doctors in the bush Dr. Hall said. In spite of that we are still facing the same problems, year after year, decade after decade, showing the systemic failure of many of these programs.

We have to see better outcomes from this investment, or we'll just be throwing good money after bad.

Some programs need minor tweaks, some need a significant redesign and re-focus, and some have served their time. "We want to see programs like the Rural Junior Doctor innovation Fund, that gets young doctors rotating out into rural practices expanded BY A LOT. And yet it was scrapped while other, very expensive programs that deliver few tangible results in rural areas, continue to be rolled out." "This needs to stop" Dr. Hall said.

"We are asking for better targeting of programs through a reclassification of rural to MMM 3-7, with areas of unique workforce challenges in metro or large regional centres to have separate programs to meet specific needs, and not just an extension of rural incentives that further disadvantage genuine rural settings," Dr. Hall said.

The Delegate Progress Association have forwarded letters to the above association and others re the shortage of Doctors in our local area. The Cooma based practice which has purchased the local practice from Dr. Pate is having difficulty in obtaining Doctors. Our area is not remote compared to many others throughout Australia, being in reasonable distance of Canberra, and close to the mountains and the coast, yet a shortage of Doctors is still a problem. Let us hope that the Federal Government listens to the advice of the Rural Doctors and does not continue, as so often happens with Government funding, to throw good money after bad.



DELEGATE CAMPDRAFT

Following a year of cancelled events due to Drought, Bushfires and then Covid-19, the Delegate Rodeo Campdraft Committee and their band of willing workers held a successful three days of campdrafting over the weekend of 12th, 13th & 14th March, 2021.

The weather was unpredictable and a violent thunderstorm on the afternoon of the 11th saw 30 odd millimetres of torrential rain fall in 20 minutes and a group of drovers bringing cattle to the yards were absolutely drenched. An indication of how dry the ground was is how quickly it dried out; with the arena even being irrigated before hand in an endeavour to get the plough to penetrate.

On Saturday night another deluge left competitors wondering if they would get a start on Sunday. Another run over with the scarifier and harrows and the water seemed to disappear and drafting got underway at 9.00 am and the ground was the best it had been all weekend!

Drafting commenced at 1.00 pm on Friday with the Encouragement and this was won by local Luke Platts riding Butterscotch. Next on the program was the Ladies and Tanya O’Ryan took the honours with Crackenback Ranger.

Maiden A went to Bevan Reed and Shilo.

Junior rider Tom Shea and Ruby were successful in that event and Tom Hukins and Bob Jane took 1st place in the Juvenile Draft.

The feature event of the weekend was the “Cabanandra Memorial Novice Draft” in honour of the now closed Cabanandra Campdraft Club, which ran from 1975 to 2019 and in that time donated many thousands of dollars to local Community organisations and the Delegate Hospital Auxiliary.

A plaque, especially made by Ron Flanagan to commemorate Cabanandra, was on display over the weekend. The winner of this event each year will be inscribed on the plaque.

First place went to Phillip Collins and Yavern Moore Ice, 2nd Matt Whipp and Mona, 3rd & 4th divided between James O’Ryan and Ranger and Michael Holz riding Oakview Gift. Fifth & sixth divided between Matt French & Dreamtime and Catherine Rowley on Heart & Soul.

Pat French & Snapchat took out Maiden B and Novice for Novice winner was Andrew Sutton riding Suttons Finnigan.

Open One saw Matt French & Dreamtime victorious while Ian Laurie & Cover Girl took the honours in Open Two.

The Delegate Campdraft Committee wish to extend their sincere appreciation to the following:

A big thank you to the cattle donors, our sponsors and the drovers who gave many days of their expertise to get the cattle there and back home again successfully.

Thank you to the Jeffrey’s family of Delegate Station who kindly offered the use of a paddock to grass a large mob of cattle for the week.

To Norm Talbot and his drivers who once again transported cattle to and fro over the weekend.

A big thank you to the yardmen and women, the Judges and to everyone who jumped in to help to ensure everything ran smoothly. Not forgetting the volunteers who manned the entrance gate to ensure our Covid safe plan was adhered to.

Last, but not least, to all the volunteers who worked tirelessly in the kiosk and the kitchen to keep the food rolling all weekend, our sincere thanks.

Without the assistance of our volunteers, we would be unable to hold this fundraising event for the Community. Your assistance is very much appreciated.

The Delegate Campdraft Committee also wish to thank the Snowy Monaro Regional Council for their donation of \$1500 towards this event. This donation will be used to cover the cost of waste removal from the event, with the balance going towards the purchase of a new BBQ.

HERE & THERE

Many Happy returns to all who celebrate April birthdays including, George Tonissen, Angie Ingram, Natalie Armstrong, David Reed, Edna Reed, Connor Reed, Lola Tonissen, Logan Nichol, Gail Smallman, John Judge, Kevin Callaway, April Game.



The death occurred on the 24th February of former local man John Baldwin. John who served as Mayor on the Bombala Council for a number of years is survived by his wife Jo, daughter Karen and three grandchildren, their son Steven having pre deceased him. Sympathy is extended to all

Health Services in Regional Areas are well below the standard of cities and larger centres and we are pleased to see that the Rural Doctor's Association are lobby-

ing the NSW Government for improvements. They say the money being spent on Rural Health, one billion could fix many problems, but is not being targeted to areas of most need. (see page 11).

Thirty or so people attended the meeting at the School of Arts to hear Council Staff outline the proposed water scheme for Delegate. The meeting had advertised that options would be presented and some of those present expressed their concern that there was only one scheme proposed.

April 10th will see the Annual Rugby League matches between the Bombala Blues and Cooma at the Delegate Show Ground with the social get together and auction of jumpers at the Country Club afterwards.



We can feel lucky, that useful rain fell in this area and not the devastating floods that other parts of the State received. Unbelievable that those affected were evacuated because of bush fires just over a year ago to now be covered by a once in a hundred year flood event.

With the relaxing of some of the Covid rules, Phil Pope, President of the local RSL advises plans for this year's Anzac Day Commemorations. (see page 6)

Those who visited the Borderline Gallery to see the "Fashions Through the Ages" would no doubt have noticed Joan Jones framed pictures of colourful shoes backed by sheet music. Joan tells us that the sheets used were from music books owned by Mrs. Thelma Jones (nee Trevanion) who was the pianist in the popular Jones Orchestra back in the days of old time dancing.



LOOKING BACK

The Annual Races at Cabanandra.



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Winter Colour

An Easter Holiday blitz in the garden can ensure lots of colour over Winter by planting seedlings of annuals. The moist season we are having will keep frost to a minimum for some time yet and the soil is still holding Summer warmth so good growth will continue. The best thing about winter flowering annuals is that they are usually small plants that are easy to place for here and there, and very useful to fill out straggly potted plants left over from Summer.

The easiest annuals to grow are polyanthus, primula, alyssum, calendula, wallflower, pansies and violas. A bit more caution is needed with Iceland poppies if Winter turns out to be wet as they are prone to rot and the lovely perfumed stocks can suffer mildew.

If you have larger spaces snapdragons, delphinium and foxgloves are suitable.



However, colour is not confined to annuals. There are some small growers such as Bergenia, Hellebores and Cyclamen with interesting leaves that are always present but flower only in winter. These usually survive Summer in shady spots and come into their own with leaf fall in Autumn when the canopy thins.

There are many small shrubs such as daphne, lavender, hardenbergia, eriostramon, correas and grevilleas that can be introduced to the garden to specifically add to the flower parade in winter. There has been recently a breeding effort by nurseries producing a great many new garden worthy correas that are commonly called native fuchsias. Really the backbone of gardens remains the permanent large shrubs. Traditionally, in our area, there has been an emphasis on Northern Hemisphere species such as Mahonia, Camellia, Holly, Forsythia and the various berry bushes like Viburnum, Pyracantha and Cotoneaster to provide Winter interest. Better choices as the climate becomes drier are some of the native plants such as wattle, bottlebrush and Lepidospermum.



The wattle Acacia covenyi blooms prolifically in winter