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PUBLIC MEETING RE PROPOSED CHANGES TO LOCAL MPS

There will be a Public Meeting in the School of Arts on 21st. February at 6pm to discuss proposed changes to the local Multi Purpose Service. The situation at present is that without a Doctor the acute care beds are unable to be utilised, so the service has for some time just provided Aged Care and Respite beds, and this will not change until we have a Doctor with visiting rights. The new Multi Purpose Service building was opened in 1998, as a fully functioning hospital with both acute and aged care beds, and the town had a local Doctor. One proposal is to close the Emergency Department and thus eliminate the need for Registered Nurses, while Community Health, the Wellness Clinic and Blood Service etc. will be maintained and upgraded. From what we can gauge the proposal to close the Emergency Service Department seems to be causing a deal of worry for the population, particularly those from isolated areas over the border whose first port of call in an emergency has always been the Delegate Hospital. Also past experience has shown that an ambulance is not always available, as the Ambulance service based in Bombala covers a wide area. Another proposal is to establish a Telehealth service or engage a Nurse Practitioner. These and other proposals are outlined in the Media Release on Page 11. It is important that the Public read the release and be fully informed when they attend the meeting at the School of Arts regarding the proposed changes on 21st. February.

Below: It was business as usual at the Hotel New Year's Eve Street Party, with Garry Jones from the Poddy Dodgers entertaining the revellers, little Isabella Tonissen with Dad Trent, and Santa making an appearance.







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LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE.

90 year old Morris goes to his GP for a checkup. A week later his doctor sees him in the street with a sexy young woman on his arm.

"You're really doing well, aren't you? The GP says. "just doing what you said Doctor, get a hot mama, and be cheerful"

"No" said the GP, "What I said was, "You've got a heart murmur, be careful.

QUOTE FOR FEBRUARY

It isn't a mistake to have strong views. The mistake is to have nothing else.

Dates for your Calendar

- 14th. February—DPA MEETING
- 21st February—Public Meeting re proposed changes to the Delegate MPS
- 23rd February New Gallery Exhibition Opening
- 26th February St. Andrews Church Service 9.30am.
- 3rd March Delegate Show
- 8th March International Womens' Day
- 10/11th March—Delegate Camp Draft
- 5th—9th March Breast screening in Bombala
- 18th –25th March Seniors week workshops
- 7th April—Easter duck race

Special Thanks to all our readers who have hung in there while we have had problems printing the Doings. The new photocopier is now installed and printed this edition. Hopefully we will have many years of uneventful printing to come.

DELEGATE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

MEETING

Tuesday 14th. February 7pm. RTC/CTC

PUBLIC MEETING

Regarding proposed changes to Delegate MPS
21st. February, 2012
Delegate School of Arts 6pm.

CLAIM THE DATE

The ever popular Platypus pals Duck race will be held Easter Saturday 7th April

Delegate Cemetery Committee

We are planning to form a committee in order to upgrade and beautify the cemetery. A meeting will be held at the cemetery on Tuesday, 13th March at 5.30pm (if raining, venue will be the School of Arts). As most people in this community have loved ones buried there, it would be great to see a large show of support for this project, so please come along, join the committee and make suggestions. Phone Robyn Mikula (64588229), Sandra O'Hagan (64588028), or Doreen Standen (64588347) if you have any queries.

Thankyou.

The Lewis family wish to extend their grateful thanks and much appreciation to ALL volunteers who assisted in the Tombong Fire 29/1/12. Their efforts saved our farm and many others.

Thankyou.

ANNUAL TRACTOR STAMPEDE

Twenty five tractor enthusiasts left Bombala on their mammoth trek through some of the most isolated and wild country of Northern Victoria and Southern NSW. From Bombala the intrepid group passed through where stopped for a break before continuing on to Tubbut and Deddick Springs where they were joined by another 16 tractors from Victoria. It was there they enjoyed a well deserved rest, staying the night and enjoying the excellent hospitality of the local Hospital Auxiliary ladies. The nest day it was on to McKillop's Bridge and over the top on the steep mountain road to Seldom Seen, Gelantipy and Buchan. Heading back to NSW they passed through Suggan Buggan on their way to Jindabyne and finally Dalgety, where a farewell presentation dinner was held at the Buckley's Crossing Hotel. It was then across to Bombala on the final leg of their long journey, during which they encountered all sorts of extreme weather, from blazing heat, torrential rain and thick fog. This is the fourth year of the Annual Tractor Stampede. And numbers have increased each year.





Above and Below: The tractors and crew had a stopover in Delegate.





BUSH POETRY COMPETITION

It's on again, the annual bush poetry competition at the Delegate Show, so all Bards get rhyming. Entries must be in for judging by 16th. February. Forms are available at the RT/CT Centre. There are good cash prizes on offer, and organisers are hoping to see plenty of entries for this year's Show.

Entry Forms on Back Page.

Escapee Captured Near Delegate

A minimum security inmate who escaped from Goulburn Correctional centre was captured on Saturday afternoon after an extensive search involving aerial support and assistance from the Dog Unit.

Police were alerted after the 23 year old man Mark Maukau failed to show at a 12.30pm roll call on Friday 3rd February. It is alleged that the man car-jacked a Mazda 3 from an elderly couple outside a Goulburn Laundrette. after threatening them with a screwdriver. The car was sighted in the Bombala region on Friday afternoon at 5.45pm. The police initiated a pursuit which ended in the main street of Delegate where Makau abandoned the car and ran into the bush. The Police then set up a perimeter and searched the area.

An extensive search was launched by officers from both the NSW and Victorian Police.

The man was located at 12.15pm Saturday 4th February opposite the Settlers Hut and taken to Bombala Police Station

Inquiries into the circumstances of the escape and the alleged car-jacking are continuing.

COB OVEN DINNERS

Families are taking advantage of the warmer weather to get together at Bill Jeffreys park for the Full Moon Cob Oven Dinners. The unique taste of pizzas from a wood fired oven is a taste sensation not to be missed, and the peaceful setting by the Delegate River makes for a great dining experience. The next Full Moon dinner was held on Wednesday 8th February.

Above: The lengthening shadows on a mid summers evening show the happy group of diners.





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NEW EXHIBITION AT NEW LOOK GALLERY

Things have been very busy at the Borderline Gallery preparing for the new exhibition which opens on Thursday 23rd February 2012

The title for the new exhibition is 'Off the Sheep's Back' a themed exhibition to reflect the local area and to coincide with the two local rural shows.

Many of the items will be for sale.

The official opening will follow a cocktail party at 6pm.

The gallery committee have been extending the gallery space and are looking forward to the versatility of exhibited items which have become a trademark of the Borderline Gallery exhibitions.

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT FOR CURLY

Curly Taylor has proved the old saying "you can't teach an old dog new tricks," wrong because at the age of 78 he had his first sky dive with his son Keith, who at the time was a sky diving instructor. Now 96 Curly is looking forward to his sixth dive when he returns to Brisbane. Curly who now lives in Townsville visits his daughter Sandra in Delegate each year.

He attributes his longevity to a positive attitude and keeping fit by walking every day. While in Delegate he can be seen regularly taking his daily walk along the Bendoc Road.







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EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE HOLD PLANNING MEETINGS.

Two Councillors from East Gippsland Shire, Trudy Anderson and Peter Neal accompanied by facilitators Brian Greer and Sue Cheyne recently met with local communities in the first of a series of planned meetings. The feedback they receive will enable them to form a Community Plan for the area. At Bendoc Hall on the 9th February they met with residents before moving on to Tubbut and Goongerah for further consultations with the public. Several Bendoc residents were present as well as representatives from Delegate River and the Delegate Progress Association. A number of items were discussed, including tourism and the need for co-operation with Bombala Shire to promote the area as a package, and it was pleasing to learn that the two Councils will be meeting within he next few weeks to discuss cross border issues. The need for better management of the large tree plantations in the area was brought up, because of fire risk and the need to control weeds and the proliferation of feral animals. It was agreed that clearer signage was needed as many visitors get lost on the Gap Road when visiting such popular tourist sites as Errinundra and the Chinese Tunnel. There was a suggestion for a lookout platform for visitors to Delegate Mountain, which commands an amazing view of the surrounding countryside. Of course better roads was an issue, our local roads having deteriorated with heavy truck traffic on them. There will be further meetings before the first draft of the Planning Document, so locals will have furter opportunity to air their views on the needs of their area.

Art in the Park Festival

Expressions of interest are sought for involvement in the Art in the Park Festival on Saturday April 28th 2012

Involvement can take many forms

We are looking for interest from Community Groups, artists, performers, poets and any other creative people to provide exhibits, performances, workshops, food, and anything else which can make this a magical festival a day to remember.

The festival will be held in the Bill Jeffreys Park, a beautiful setting to showcase the talents of our district.

The **Sculpture by the River competition** will be held on this day. Artists from all over the region have been invited to participate in the days activities. Entry Forms are available at the RTCT Centre.

Expression of Interest forms are also available from the Delegate RTCT office or you can ring the office 64588388 and outline how you would like to be involved.

'The Mob From the Bush' visit Beechworth

Travelling on the Bendoc Neighbourhood House Activity Bus this "mob from the bush" had a great time recently on a trip to Beechworth and beyond.

The group left Bendoc on Thursday 19th January travelling via Cann River to Omeo where they stayed overnight. The next day saw the group travelling over the Victorian Great Alpine road to Bright, Myrtleford and Beechworth. The group stayed for the next four nights at the Yackandanah Motel

The highlight of the trip was on the Saturday night when the 'mob' attended the Opera in the Alps where legendary Australian jazz trumpeter James Morrison arrived in a 1920's bakery van. This great music event celebrated its 10th anniversary this year.

Sunday was spent touring the wineries of Chiltern valley and Rutherglen and Monday spent on the Ned Kelly tour at Glenrowan.

The 'mob' returned to Bendoc via the Kiewa Valley, Tom Groggin and Deadhorse Gap on Tuesday 24th January having been ably driven by Derek.

This great cartoon was created by an artist in Beechworth.

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MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO GLADY

Ninety guests gathered at the Delegate Country Club to mark the special occasion of Gladys Collings 90th. Birthday. Looking fit and well and thoroughly enjoying the social event, Glady even marked the occasion by having a plane ride with her nephew Mundy prior to arriving at her party. Following a delicious meal provided by the Ladies Auxiliary, son Ken thanked everyone for coming, wished his mother a Happy Birthday, and thanked his sister Denise and Niece Alana for organising the party. Grand daughter Alana, and great Grand daughter Taylor Ventry wished Glady a Happy Birthday on behalf of her grand-children and great grandchildren. It was then time for the cutting of the beautiful cake and the the singing of Happy Birthday. This was followed by more birthday wishes this time to daughter Denise Lewis whose birthday was on the same day. Glady's 7 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren were all present, sadlyone daughter Pat Ventry and grandson Craig Ventry having predeceased her. To complete the happy occasion musical entertainment was provided by Beverly Stokes.



Above: Ken, Glady and Denise Above: Glady with her grandchildren





Above: Dulcie, Glady and Keith Above: Glady with her great grandchildren

A FEAST FOR FOOD LOVERS.

A feast for food lovers will be held again at the Taste of Tubbut on Saturday 25th February at the Tubbut Hall. The activities start at 3pm with label making for your own fruity item followed by a market and produce display. The evening will start with dinner at 6pm followed by dancing with FEVA Pitch The cost for all of this delicious delight is \$10 Phone 64580295 for details.

As a special treat Glady had a flight over Bendoc and Delegate in her nephew Raymond's plane before going on to her party.



DELEGATE SCHOOL NEWS



Above: New Kinders Topeal Cocker, Hunter Reed, Callan Jamieson, Lara Manning, Mackenzie Dunn, Ajay Camm, Absent is Morris Farren and Aiden Camm.

Right: New students Austin Fisk, Darcie Ingram and Clancy Ingram



Media Release



Friday, 3 February 2012

Public meeting to seek views on local Health Service options

Southern NSW Local Health District is to seek the views of residents from Delegate and the surrounding district on the future of sustainable health services across Bombala and Delegate at a public meeting to be held at the Delegate School of Arts on 21 February 2012.

Chief Executive Southern NSW Local Health District, Dr Max Alexander, said the Local Health District is keen to hear community views on options for health services across Delegate and Bombala.

"The Local Health District's aim is to maintain a health service in both towns and to do this we need to use the staff we have to our best advantage," said Dr Alexander.

"A paper containing options to be considered for the ongoing delivery of health services at both Delegate and Bombala is currently circulating around the district to allow options currently on the table to be better understood by people. Those options are not exhaustive and we would welcome new and appropriate suggestions."

"I acknowledge the active efforts of the Delegate and Bombala communities to recruit doctors. However, both the Delegate and Bombala Multi-Purpose Services (MPS) continue to struggle to find sufficient nurses.

"We must plan now to maintain a service despite the shortages of both doctors and nurses," said Dr Alexander.

All options put forward would see the Delegate and Bombala health service campuses remaining open, but the mix of services at each campus may change.

Options put forward to date include:

- Formalising current management arrangements for the Bombala MPS and Delegate MPS, with one manager having responsibility for both services.
- Replacing the Delegate Emergency Department with increased community health services.
 This would include a regular walk-in 'Wellness Clinic' which would cater for services such as wound care, blood pressure checks, blood tests and general health monitoring.
- Implementing a clear set of protocols for registered nurses to deal with certain Emergency Department presentations without the supervision of a doctor, such as attending to certain wounds, administering basic pain relief, doing CPR and automatic defibrillation.
- Establishing a Telehealth service, so that nurses could receive back up from doctors in another area for certain Emergency Department presentations.
- Establishing a Nurse Practitioner role, to provide a more specialised service in a selected field, such as chronic and complex care, or emergencies.
- Concentrating the Delegate campus on residential high care (9 places) and providing up to 4
 respite places. Delegate could also investigate providing places for clients with dementia.

The public meeting will commence at 6:30pm at the Delegate School of Arts. For further information please telephone the Delegate MPS on 6459 8000. Copies of the options paper are available from Reception at both the Bombala and Delegate MPS.

BOOKINGS OPEN FOR BREAST SCREENING IN BOMBALA

The BreastScreen NSW mobile van will be visiting Bombala from 5 March until 9 March 2012.

BreastScreen is a free breast screening service for women aged 50 to 69 years.

Breast screening, also known as mammographic screening, is the process of looking for breast cancer in a population of women who have no symptoms. If you have a lump or nipple discharge please see your GP. Ms Lattimore said with a 97 per cent survival rate when breast cancer is detected early having a breast screen is vital.

NSW women have a one in nine chance of developing breast cancer in their lifetime making time for a breast screen every two years one of the most important healthy actions a woman over 50 can do.

The mobile BreastScreen van will be located near the Exhibition centre in Forbes Street (Cnr of Wellington)..

For appointments contact BreastScreen NSW on 13 20 50.

Seniors Week 18th -25th March Delegate RTCT Centre

Wed 21st 10am Working with photos

How to download your photos from your camera to the computer, print them and reduce the size of them to email them.

Wed 21st 1pm Make your own Calendar Need to bring 12 photos.

Thurs 22nd 10am How to surf the web and shop and pay for things on the internet.

Thurs 22nd 1pm Ancestry . Find your ancestors using the internet.

Wed 7th, 21st 28th Help with your computer problems and questions. Just drop in and ask Sharon for help.

All sessions free for seniors.

Fiery Attraction for the Delegate Show



Members of the Charles Sturt University Fire—Twirling Club
Will be entertaining the crowds at the Delegate Show
The main demonstration will be during breaks in the music
during the night-time entertainment



HERE & THERE

The death occurred at Pambula Hospital of former District resident, Graham Pagden. His funeral service took place at Clavering Park, Wolumla.

Graham is survived by wife Kaye, one daughter Kerry and one son Graham, grandchildren and great grandchildren and sympathy is extended to all.

Happy 90th Birthday to Glady Collings who celebrated



her special occasion with family and friends at the Delegate Country Club on Saturday 28th. January.

Many happy returns to Penny Judge, and daughter Kate, Marsha Guthrie ,David Richardson and Adam Walker all had recent birthdays. Adam who is now living in Queenland celebrated his 21st.

Best wishes to Kelly Chapman and Dominic Sellers who are leaving home shortly to take up Tertiary education at ANU, Canberra and Wollongong University respectively. Kelly is doing a degree in Science while Dominic will be studying Medicine.

Working B's have been happening at the RT/CT Centre lately, with a face lift in the former Computer room which will now be part of the Gallery, the computers being moved into the front room. The opening of the new Exhibition will be held on Thursday 16th February.

The Delegate Tennis Club are calling for names for the Autumn night tennis competition commencing

shortly. They are also planning to hold a tournament



in March between the two local shows.

The death occurred on 31st January in Wollongong of Shirley Ladmore, former resident of the area. Interment took place in the Delegate Cemetery on 7th. February following Requiem Mass at St. Joseph's Church. Shirley's husband Sam predeceased her 27 years ago, and she is survived by one daughter Ann, and two sons Richard and Mark., and one sister Dorothy and Grandchildren. Sympathy is extended to all.

Sammy Kline of Tubbut passed away on Sunday 5th February. Sympathy is extended to her fam-

Kelvin and Wendy Ingram are the proud Grandparents to Lucinda and Mark's baby boy born in Cooma on 14th. January 2012 to be named Charlie Joseph. The little boy weighed in at 8lbs.

13oz. It is reported that Grandma was fine, but Grandpa went hungry for 3 days.



The Health Department sponsored fitness programmes which commenced in January are proving popular. A keen group of ladies are taking advantage of the Heart Move sessions held in the

old bowling club, one on Tuesdays with a second session to commence in April on Wednesdays.

Also a group of ladies are regularly walking for their health, in early mornings or late evenings to avoid the heat.

Congratulations and best wishes to Kassie Cotterill and Pat Hall

on their recently announced engagement.



A Feast for Food Lovers at Tubbut Hall on 25th. February promises to be good value (see ad page 9)



Happy 70th Birthday to Ron Reed, who was the recipient of a surprise party at the Country Club on Saturday 4th. February.



Max Smallman celebrates a birthday this month as well as a wedding anniversary.

LOOKING BACK

Below: With the local show coming up in a few weeks we thought this a fitting photo for our "Looking Back" section. Sandra O'Hagan (nee Taylor) dressed up for entry in the Tiny Tots section of the Delegate Show. The little girl behind is obviously also dressed up for the occasion, but we don't know who? Can anyone help us out? In the background is what looks to be the boxing tent, which was a regular and popular attraction at the Shows in those days.



Community Information

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