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# Delegate Doings



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## DELEGATE CELEBRATES ANZAC DAY.

On Anzac Day 2011, Delegate was blessed with a rain free day, although it was chilly as usual at this time of the year. The march was attended by a large, appreciative crowd.

Lee Jones, acting as drill sergeant, called the parade to order at the monument, and the men, women and children marched to the park accompanied by Will Horton playing the bagpipes.

President of the local RSL sub-branch Alan Standen was in his usual role of conducting the proceedings, during which Barry Reed read out the lovely poem he wrote about the Anzacs. Phil Pope read the official speech for the Australian Navy in this their centennial year, and Keith Bent recited a beautiful, moving poem called "Mates".

It was great to see ex Delegate residents who were home for Easter, taking part in the march. John Callaway and his sons Dean and Shane, proudly marched this year. Maryanne Dillon was thrilled to march on behalf of her late father George Reed, wearing his medals.

Mel McCartney, who is currently serving in the Royal Australian Navy, was home over Easter to inter her late father Graham's ashes on his property. She stayed in Delegate an extra couple of days so she could participate in our Anzac Day service.



*Above. Keith Bent with Raymond Jamieson and son Russel. Right: Will Horton did a sterling job on the bagpipes*

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### Dates for your Calendar

- 7th/8th May Landscape Painting with Lucy Cullinton
- 7th May—Cathcart charity trail ride—Cathcart Hall
- 8th May—Mothers Day Lunch—Delegate Hotel
- 10th. May—Delegate Progress Assoc. Meeting.
- 11th May—glass workshop at art centre
- 16th. May ABC photography workshop
- 17th May—full moon cob oven dinner
- 21/22 May—glass workshop at art centre
- 22nd. May—Church Service St. Andrews 9.30am
- 25th May Andrew Gray S.E. Arts Regional Executive visits Bombala—Ring Karen Cash for appointment.
- 26th. May Opening new exhibition Borderline Gallery.
- 18th. June—Jewellery workshop—Art Centre

## MORE ANZAC PHOTOS.

*Below: A section of the marchers*

*Mary Ann Dillon wore her late father's medals*



## DELEGATE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION.

General Meeting

Tuesday 10th. May 7.30pm

## RE-MODEL, REVAMP, RECYCLE.

The next Exhibition at the Borderline Gallery will be an imaginative collection of items made from pre-loved, pre-used materials.

There will be items made from wood, metal, cloth, and any other recyclable materials. The exhibition opening will be held at the Gallery on Thursday 26th. May at 5.30 p.m. All welcome to attend.





## Easter Duck Race

There was something for everyone on Good Friday at the Bill Jeffereys Park.

The cob oven was put to very good use with a pizza cook off for kids. This was very ably judged by Bob Stewart and Robyn Guthrie, with many delighted prize -winners.

Replete with all that pizza tasting, Bob Stewart then donned his second hat as auctioneer extraordinaire auctioning off the last ducks in preparation for the duck race.

Meanwhile in the background others were taking advantage of the freed up oven to cook a variety of Easter lunch treats. Children were enjoying the ministrations of Tanja Ponsford and emerging with some sensational painted faces and many were examining the various items on offer for sale.

The beginning of the Boat race was announced and the young would-be chandlers proceeded to the swimming -hole steps with their aquatic creations. The stewards braved the icy waters to lower the boom gate and then the race began. After an exciting tussle the two -part vessel made by Darcey Ingram came over the line in first and second place.

Because the water was so cold and the intrepid stewards did not want to suffer much longer, the Duck race started shortly after.

The usual nail biting adventure of small plastic duck against the fast- running current of the Delegate River, compounded by dangerous shoals of rock and ever-present reed beds, was finally overcome by the valiant duck owned by Peter Stewart.

After all of the ducks had been retrieved, the final activity of the day, the prize-giving was underway. As well as the prestigious first prize, there was a myriad of lesser prizes to be collected; Last duck, first duck to be stuck, random numbered ducks etc.

Yes there was something for everyone, but most of all there was a great family day and some funds raised for the Platypus Pals.



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Above L: Ilma Stewart, Kelvin Ingram, Marge Callaghan, Sandra Walker, Gail Sellers, Lorraine Cottrell, Trina Manning, Sue Guthrie, and David Ingram helped organise the Marriott re-union. R. Marge Callaghan and Kewpie Preston cut the re-union cake.



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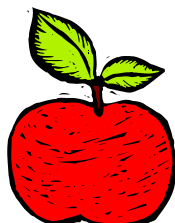
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## QUOTES FOR MAY 2011

“The only nice thing about being imperfect is the joy it brings to others.”

“We are like tea bags—we don’t know our own strength until we’re in hot water.”

### LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A man went to the police station and asked to speak to the man who had broken into his house the previous night.

“You’ll get your chance in court” the desk sergeant told him.

“I have to know how he got into the house without waking my wife,” the man pleaded.

“I’ve been trying to do that for years.”

## A BRUSH WITH FAME FOR FORMER DELEGATE GIRL.

All of those Royal Wedding watchers who took note of the hat our Governor General Quentin Bryce was wearing may be surprised to learn that the hat was made especially for the occasion by former Delegate girl Cynthia Bryson (nee Jones). Cynthia who studied fashion for three years at the Canberra Institute of Technology and theatrical millinery in London, now works as a public servant and millinery is a part time hobby.

Cynthia a milliner since 2003, said Ms Bryce was a longstanding client, and she has made several hats for her over the years. She speaks highly of Ms Bryce saying she is easy to work with and a beautiful woman, inside and out. Cynthia was hopeful she would glimpse her creation on television while watching the royal wedding, and said she felt sure the Governor General would look fantastic as she always does.

*Right: Cynthia in her studio at Jerrabomberra*

*(Footnote) We did see The Governor General looking very smart in red, and there was also a photo in the Sunday paper.*



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## HEPBURN DUO GIVE FACELIFT TO HERITAGE 1940'S FORD TRUCK.

Scott Hepburn and his grandfather Jim spent three years refurbishing a 1940s 2.5 ton Ford Truck, replacing the engine, cab, bonnet and grill. The final touch of stainless steel mudguards were fitted in time for a heritage vehicle display held at the NRMA Short Point Caravan Park, Merimbula in February.

The original owner of the truck from Quaama was happy to have it taken off his hands.

*Right: Scott and Jim  
proudly display their  
handiwork*





# THE MARRIOTT REUNION

**From:** Clive & Lorraine Cottrell

The descendants of Robert Henry Marriott b 1861 & Sarah Jane Sturgess / Mead b 1870 held a Family Reunion at Delegate & Bonang on 23rd and 24th April 2011.

Robert Henry Marriott was the only child of Thomas Marriott b 1831 England & Margaret (Peg ) Ingram b 1835 England. Sarah Jane Sturgess / Mead was the daughter of Susan Ann Sturgess b 1870 Tasmania & Henry Mead b 1850. Robert & Sarah spent most of their lives in the Bonang area and raised 14 children. Descendants of these children organised a Family Reunion with other descendants from as far away as Mackay Qld, Perth WA. and all parts of N.S.W, Victoria and A.C.T. joining in a trip back in time to where our ancestors first settled.

Approximately 160 people attended the Luncheon on Saturday at the Delegate Exhibition Hall, which was decorated with a historic display of photographs, family history & memorabilia, including the Marriott Family Bible, diaries of Robert Henry Marriott from 1917 -1937, jewellery belonging to Susan Ann Sturgess /Mead. A feature of the display were the family tree place mats , given to each family descendant . Also featured were photographs of Henry Ingram & Jane Chant , Grandparents of Robert Henry Marriott. Photographs of Margaret (Peg) Ingram with her sisters Elizabeth Elton & Maryann Stevenson , who was represented by Mrs Jean Murdoch & Sally Ann Thompson.

Charcoal sketches of Thomas & Margaret were done by Nerida Reed and a painting of the Ancient Arms of Marriott was done by Margaret Callaghan (Baker). A group photo was taken by Sally Ann Thompson & the Reunion Cake was cut by the two eldest descendants, Marge Callaghan & Kewpie Lewis both aged 88yrs.

Sunday saw 130 descendants gather at Bonang for a trek into the magnificent bushland where the Rising Sun gold mine diggings are located and which had been mined in earlier years by the Marriott Brothers. The landscape around the Diggings is dotted with mullock heaps and very deep holes; the smell of eucalypts & the tall majestic Errinundra Shining Gums, the beautiful tree ferns and bushland, untouched for several years, cast a spell over all who were present. Local Brothers Kelvin & David Ingram sons of Wit & Clarice Ingram, (descendants of Robert Marriott Jnr b 1848) entertained visitors with tales of the exploits of the Marriott Family which had been passed down through their family.

The incredible Marriott sisters Charlotte & Maryann, driving their pigs & turkeys to market in Orbost, worked the land in very harsh conditions, stories of the Kentish cherry orchard, the creamy stallion , Miller & Millers Boy, and the ingenuity in establishing and working the Mines, were just a small insight into the family history. On display where the original Robert Marriott branding iron & long handled frypan. Visitors were taken back in time with a tour of the Ingram properties, where Rose Cottage , Bonang House and the Sturgess Home were located. A visit to the private cemetery located on David & Julie Ingram's property ended the day, with the placing of a wreath to acknowledge and remember our ancestors.

A truly memorable weekend was had by all who attended, old friendships were renewed & new ones formed and fond memories will be treasured until the next Marriott Muster.

Organisers wish to thank everyone who contributed to the success of this weekend.

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## DELEGATE MULTI PURPOSE SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

The impact of the Bundian Way on the Delegate MPS was discussed at the March committee meeting.

Delegate and Eden are the only centres located on the anticipated route which is thought to have the potential to become an ecological and historical attraction and be an asset to the district.

The project has been warmly received by the Delegate community and we look forward to the completion of the survey, hoped to be in May this year, when the tourism potential of the walk will be fully known.

Discussion followed on many other matters and afterwards committee members present (all volunteers) were given evacuation fire training by Russell Buckman, Fire Safety Officer. This is part of the pending accreditation for the Delegate MPS.

Delegate MPS Committee meetings are held monthly and any concerns may be addressed to the Chairperson Rhonda Linehan, Deputy Chairperson Sue Guthrie or committee members, Jan Ingram, Charlie Burton, Natalie Armstrong, John Judge, Gloria Cotterill and Jayne Sellers.

## MATES (As recited by Keith Bent at the Delegate Anzac Service.

I have travelled down some lonely roads  
Both crooked tracks and straight  
And I have learned life's noblest creed  
Summed up in one word ..... "Mate"

I'm thinking back across the years (a thing I do of late)  
And this word sticks between me ears:  
"You've got to have a mate"  
Someone who'll take you as you are  
Regardless of your state  
And stand as firm as Ayers Rock  
Because he is your mate.

My mind goes back to '43  
To slavery and 'ate  
When man's one chance to stay alive  
Depended on 'is mate  
With bamboo for a billy-can  
And bamboo for a plate  
A bamboo paradise for bugs  
Was bed for me an' me mate.

You'd slip and slide through the mud  
And curse you're rotten fate

But then you'd hear a quiet word:  
"Don't drop your bundle, mate"  
And though it's all so long ago  
This truth I have to state  
A man don't know what "lonely" means  
'til he has lost his mate.

If there's a life that follows this  
If there's a Golden Gate  
The welcome that I want to hear  
Is just.... "Good on yer Mate"  
And so to all who ask us why  
We keep these special dates  
Like Anzac Day, I answer "Why?"  
We're thinking of our mates

And when I've left the driver's seat  
And handed in me plates,  
I'll tell old Peter at the door  
"I've come to join me Mates"



# DELEGATE SCHOOL NEWS

The Day of Difference Car rally visited the delegate public school on Tuesday 3rd May. The Delegate P&C hosted lunch for them in there new Stephanie Alexander Kitchen.

trants have the opportunity to show off their cars and give away sponsor-supplied products. They gave the school some books for the library and sent the kids home with whistles and rulers.

The Day of Difference Derby is about people from different walks of life banding together for motor-ing adventures in the great Australian outdoors, while raising money for critically injured children and their families.

The Derby is not a race, but a navigational fund-raising event that takes you through various parts of Australia, travelling along sealed and unsealed, private and public roads, driving around 350 to 430 KMS a day.

While on these Derbies, you will visit towns and schools to help raise awareness of the Day of Difference Foundation. During these visits, en-





# DELEGATE SCHOOL NEWS





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FOUNDATION WALKING LEADER IF THERE IS ENOUGH INTEREST**

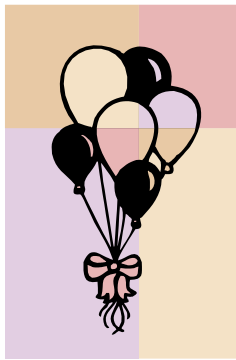
# HERE & THERE

*Congratulations and best wishes to two former Delegate residents Carmel Thompson (nee Stokes) and Lorna Thornton (nee Thompson), who recently celebrated their 80th Birthdays. Both were joined in Sydney by family and friends to celebrate the occasion.*

*Also Happy Birthday to the following group who all celebrate their birthdays in May.*

*Kevin Callaway, Norman Preston, Mark Guthrie and daughter Natasha Yelds, Marilyn Cal-laughan, Joan Lundstrum, Rhett Guthrie, Jordon Cameron, and Scott Guthrie.*

*Also a special greeting to little Lachlan Nichol who celebrates his first birthday.*



*The St. Andrews Community Church Committee held a successful street stall on Friday 29th April with a wonderful array of cakes, slices and many other saleable items. The raffle held in conjunction will be drawn next week end*



*The death occurred on the 13th April at the Delegate MPS of Mrs. Val Ingram The funeral service took place at St. Philips Church Delegate on Tuesday 19th April followed by interment in the Delegate Cemetery.*

*Val will be remembered for her long service as Matron of the Delegate Hospital. She is survived by husband Barry and four children, Robert, Colin, Sue and Russell, and eight grandchildren. Sympathy is extended to all.*

*Next weekend the 7th. And 8th May will see a number of visitors from as far away as Sydney and Canberra attend an Art Escape week-end with well known Artist Lucy Culliton. Weather permitting the classes will be held at Bill Jeffreys Park where pupils will be asked to produce a landscape in either oil or acrylics.*

*If the weather is not good the class will move to the Art Centre.*



*Next month there will be a jewellery workshop with Heather Kozak at the local Art Centre.*

*It is necessary to book as numbers are limited.*

*The local history book on the history of Delegate, "From Dizliget to Delegate" by Malcolm Martin, continues to sell well. Copies are still available at the RT/CT Centre and at the General Store.*

*The next exhibition at the Borderline Gallery promises to be interesting with in addition to the usual colourful display there will be recycled and remodelled and re-vamped articles for sale. .*

*The Bundian Way survey is almost finalised, and the final report will be submitted before 30th June. Funding submissions are being finalised from Bombala Council and various organisations from down the coast. These applications will support the roll out of the project.*

*Night tennis this year at Delegate is going from strength to strength. With this season's competition drawing to a close, finals will be played this week. The summer competition will start after the school holidays next September.*



*Mothers Day Luncheon is on again this year at the Delegate Hotel from 12noon till 2pm.*

*Bookings essential*



# LOOKING BACK



Above is a photo of Constables L. Eggett and M. Evans, taken at their camp in the 1930's on the Victorian/NSW Border at Delegate River during a major Polio outbreak. In an effort to prevent the spread of the terrifying disease, borders were closed to all children between Victorian and New South Wales. The disease caused deaths in children and left many crippled for life. It is estimated that a minimum of 20,000 –40,000 people had paralytic polio in Australia between the 1930's, and 1960s. Because no vaccine was available, schools and cinemas were also closed in an attempt to stop the epidemic spreading. Three policemen were posted on the border at Delegate River for several months during the outbreak.

Polio vaccines were introduced in 1956 (Salk) and 1966 (Sabin) and were followed by mass immunisation programmes. While polio no longer threatens Australian society today, it is not forgotten. Thousands of Australians have experienced what is known as the late effects of polio or post-polio syndrome, which can occur 30-40 years after the initial condition.

Photo courtesy Sandra O'Hagan.





# Community Information

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# Plants in Pots – Part 1

I think one of the trickiest of garden skills is to successfully grow plants in pots. This is because the growing environment for a potted plant is one of the harshest and most variable that a plant can face. This statement might come as a bit of a surprise since we routinely choose to put delicate or precious plants in pots believing that it protects them from the challenge of garden conditions. Think of the plants that survive longest in pots and I suspect you will come up with those hardy types like geraniums and cactus that are naturally able to withstand high temperatures and drought.

The roots of plants in pots must contend with temperature variation far greater than that of garden soil. As well they deal with a restricted root run, water and nutrient shortage and soil compaction. Meanwhile the foliage is often stressed by exposure to reflected heat from paving, windiness if isolated or shading when grouped closely with others.

**Roots.** The greatest problem to be overcome in pot culture is the extreme range of temperature experienced by the roots. Water is taken up by microscopic structures called root hairs. These are often single cell protrusions that form in order to explore the tiny spaces between soil particles where water is held.

**The photo below shows the fragility of root hairs on a germinating pea.**



Sunlight falling on the common black plastic pots very quickly generates boiling temperatures and the heat loss at night is just as rapid. Even if soil is remains moist, the effect of high temperature is to kill roots. Nutrients and water are taken up only by the very tips of roots via the microscopic root hairs that explore the spaces between soil particles. Dead or dying root parts are instantly invaded by fungi and other organisms as a natural part of organic matter recycling. Not all of these organisms produce ongoing disease but the density of disease organisms will increase if root pruning is a regular feature caused by high temperatures and/or soil dryness. If the plant suffers enough stress it will even be unable to resist invasion of the living root tissue.

Thicker walled terracotta or concrete pots give a somewhat better temperature regulation but there is the disadvantage of constant water evaporation through the sides which increases the risk of drying out. Bone dry soil also kills the roots. Once soil in a pot dries out it is extremely difficult to wet it again. Under gravity water takes the easiest route which is down the sides of the pot in the space where the soil has shrunk away from the container. The solution is to plunge the pot into water until air stops bubbling out. This is of course impossible with big containers. A plastic container such as a 3 litre milk bottle is useful here. Fill it, replace the lid and make a nail hole in the side close to the bottom. Water will slowly drip out gradually penetrating the soil. This is a good trick if you are going away for a few days too.

Filling the pot's saucer with water does not help because the lower part of the soil becomes saturated and stagnant. Roots cannot function without air so roots in that part of the soil die. Since there is not enough root mass to support the needs of the foliage, it also begins to die. A similar scenario is created when a small plant is placed in too large a pot. There will be a volume of soil that is not occupied by roots for some time and it tends to become stagnant. In these conditions disease organisms thrive and they mount a constant attack on roots that are attempting to grow into new areas of the soil. The plant roots are prevented from colonising all of the soil that has been given it and stasis develops i.e. the plant cannot grow and the soil surrounding it continues to stagnate.

