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FARMER WANTS A WIFE

Local man Andrew Guthrie, will be taking part in the next series of “Farmer Wants a Wife” on Channel 7.

There are two men from the Snowy Monaro Region featuring in this series, with a farmer from Dalgety also taking part. There is also a farmer from Orbost so there will be a lot of local interest in the program. Preliminary filming was undertaken this week at three farms in the district that Andrew is connected with.

Andrew says he is looking for a girl with a sense of humour and one that is prepared to fit into a country lifestyle and become a part of a small community.

The film crew will be in the area from 17 October to 6 November and local Real Estate Agents Christine Macintosh of Nutrien Solutions Real Estate and Ian Sellers from the Delegate Nutrien Agricultural Solution store are endeavouring to secure accommodation for the film crew.

Many people are excited that part of the series is being filmed here and hope that it will help to showcase the district.



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and: 5th Feb 2021

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- 29th October—Big Bonang Arvo
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Due to Covid, there is not a lot happening locally and our last few issues have contained lots of local history. This paper is no exception and below is a copy of an article which appeared in The Sun on January 3rd, 1979. I noted with interest that it was written by Niki Savva, who is now a well know political journalist.

NURSE BRAVES A DEADLY ATTACKER.

A young nursing sister tended a 70 year old woman as a tiger snake lay hissing around her feet in a hospital near the NSW-Victorian order.

The sister, Mrs. Alison Walker, formerly of Melbourne ran into the ward after hearing Mrs. Dulcie Baldwin scream for help, late on Monday night.

She saw Mrs. Baldwin shaking the 1.5 metre snake from her bed onto the floor after it has bitten her twice on a finger. Mrs. Walker applied a tourniquet as the snake writhed and hissed under the bed, and treated her until Mrs. Baldwin's doctor arrived 15 minutes later.

Mrs Baldwin was rushed from Delegate Hospital, south of Bombala to Canberra Hospital, where she is still in the intensive care ward. Doctors said her condition is satisfactory.

Dr Randall Harkness who had been treating Mrs. Baldwin said Sister Walker's action was heroic. Mrs. Baldwin told reporters yesterday that after Sister Walker put on the tourniquet, she closed the doors to keep the snake in the ward until it could be identified. "I was pretty shaken up about" it said Mrs. Baldwin, who was in hospital because of a heart attack.

Dr Harkness said Mrs. Baldwin was calm and did not panic, but she was in considerable pain and was vomiting.

Dr Harkness said the snake was still under the bed when he arrived. He said. "The sister was terribly brave." She was ignoring the snake and tending to the patient, even though she could hear the snake hissing. It was almost between her feet. "I got the sister away from the snake and got a piece of pipe and tried to get it to come out. I managed to flush it out and hit it with the pipe many times."

Being a warm night, it was thought that the snake entered the hospital through a screen door at the front, which had not been closed correctly. The old Delegate Hospital was situated just up the hill from the river and snakes were often seen in the vicinity.

The above event made world wide news—I remember being told that while two young locals were visiting Germany, they were astounded to see their home town on the front page of a newspaper.



TREE PLANTING AT THE CEMETERY.

The Delegate Progress Association, in conjunction with the local Shire have recently organized the planting of around 60 fast growing photinias for a hedge at the Cemetery. They have also recently purchased crabapple and liquidambar trees for Bill Jeffreys Park. The Council have also planted Canadian lipstick maples left over from the streetscape in the Memorial Park.

More plantings are planned for the rest of the main street next year.





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SOLAR ENERGY FOR THE RURAL TRANSACTION CENTRE

Workmen have finished doing a new section of the roof at the Rural Transaction Centre building in preparation for the installation of Solar Panels. Electricity bills are always fairly high, particularly in colder months as the high ceilings in the old building make it difficult to keep warm. Unlike in a private dwelling the draw on electricity is only during daylight hours, so it should work out well both economically and environmentally. The progress Association has received a \$6300 grant to go towards the Solar Panel Installation from the Boco Rock Community Fund which is administered by the Snowy Monaro Regional Council.



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BADMINTON AT THE SCHOOL OF ARTS

The School of Arts Committee would like to re-introduce badminton to be played in the School of Arts. Members of the Committee are having a hit up at the moment at 10am on Saturday and invite members of the public to join them with a view to possibly starting a small competition or tournament. Being indoors, it has the advantage of being able to be played in all weathers. In the past Badminton was a very popular sport in Delegate and Bendoc, with all ages taking part, and several teams involved including two at Bendoc, where it was played in the Bendoc Hall. It was good exercise and a great social outing. It was enjoyed by all ages, young and not so young and everyone is welcome to come along on Saturday and give it a try. Some of the ADF personnel have also been having a go, as it must help fill in the time for them when off duty.



A GIFT FROM BOOROWA

The local history room recently received the gift of a book from Karen J. Smith of Boorowa, which contains an article of local interest.. In 1919 the Spanish Flu epidemic had an impact on the Boorowa area, with 21 losing their lives.

‘The death occurred of Wilfred Lawson, who along with his brother Edmund, moved from Craigie to Binalong to take up share farming. After Wilfred’s death, Edmund stayed in the area for a few years before moving to Captain’s Flat. Interestingly in the early 1930’s the willows planted by Wilfred and Edmund’s Grandfather Charles Lawson were used to manufacture cricket bats and artificial limbs.’

The Delegate Argus recorded the death on the 14th September, 1919. News reached us yesterday of the death of Mr. Wilfred LAWSON at Binalong of pneumonic-influenza. The deceased was a native of this district, being a son of Charles Lawson of Craigie; and was a fine young man in the prime of life. He had been ill for a few weeks only and about a week ago his sister, Mrs. DAULTON, went to Binalong to nurse him and was there when he died. We extend our sincere sympathy to the deceased’s family..

Another article in the Bombala Times 1931, spoke of the industry which had sprung up at Craigie. About 100 years ago English willows were brought to this district by the late Mr. John LAWSON’S father and planted along river banks. The story runs that the willow wood, having been sent to Sydney for the purpose of making artificial limbs, was taken to an old established maker of cricket bats. He in ignorance of the origin of the wood, turned out such a bat that immediately caught the eye of some enterprising young men, who forthwith conceived the idea of exploiting our own Australian wood.

A company was formed under the name of WALES and CO and Mr. James Roberts was sent to Craigie to Buy up what timber he could get and to commence operations.. The company grew and Australian Cricket bats were soon on the market. As well the Company which employed 12 men locally also had orders from the Federal Government for the supply of timber for artificial limbs.

The Company extended their operations, replanting the river banks with English willow.

- Footnote: Ironically the willows proliferated to such an extend, that they were choking local rivers and there was a sustained effort by Land-care groups to remove them.



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Many Happy Returns to those born in October, including, Janice Lewis, Shannon Talbot, Daniel Talbot, Doreen Standen, Uland Sievert, Annette Twomey, Val Crawford, Gloria Cotterill, Peter Guthrie, Trina Manning, Kerrie Cotterill.

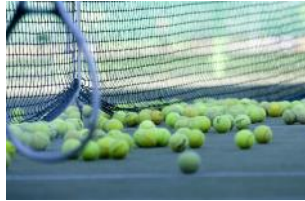


Also special birthday greetings to a lady who was a member of the Delegate Art Group for many years—Lorna Trevanion celebrated her 98th birthday in September.



The death took place on the 3rd of September at Harden Nursing Home of a former Delegate resident, Mrs. Joan Jameson aged 91. The burial took place following a graveside service in the Harden Cemetery. The deceased is survived by one daughter Rhonda and husband Max, granddaughter Sharyn and husband Steve, great granddaughter Emily, and one sister Shirley, Joan's husband Stan having predeceased her. Sympathy if extended to all.

After being cancelled last summer, due to Covid, the local tennis competition will commence again on Tuesday October the 8th October. They are calling for names, to be left at local businesses.



Our Victorian neighbours are relieved to have border restrictions eased somewhat. The bubble has been extended and the permits are simpler. Everyone is looking forward to the day when they can move freely without fear of the virus.

Normally in October there would be much activities in preparation for the "Celebrating Our Heritage" week-end at the end of the month. Sadly it has been cancelled, like so many other events. We can only hope that by next year, things will be returning to normal.



Accommodation in the area has been in short supply, due to the numbers ADF personnel manning the Borders. Our accommodation at the Nurses' Cottage has been permanently booked by both the Navy and Army.

A charity named Good360 makes available goods to rural areas, which have been going through hard times. Delegate has been the recipient of many gift bags, which have been distributed to school children, preschool children, men for Father's Day and the latest being a bag of goodies for the ladies.

Sharon has been busy distributing them around the town.



Congratulations to the Gundagai Tigers who last week-end won their Grand Finals in both first and second grade. Gundagai have a proud history in Rugby League, despite being the smallest town in Group 9 they have featured in and won many Grand Finals. There is a local connection with Dane O'Hehir who played centre in the winning team, being the grandson of Scrub Crotty and nephew of Mick O'Hehir. Players who have played for Gundagai in the past and gone on to greater things are Cliff Lyons and Mai-ka Sivo, current winger for Parramatta.



LOOKING BACK



The above photo was taken at “Knockalong” with the ladies dressed up for a Red Cross Fete and Carnival to raise money for the Red Cross and local Hospital. This occasion at the local Sports Ground was opened by the NSW State Governor, Lord Wakehurst. The Governor was accompanied by his wife and local State and Federal members of Parliament.

Below is description of the pavilion which was decorated by Mrs. E.P. Wright in the style of an Old English scene. Stalls were erected to look like small shops, with thatched roofs, and the costumes of the stallholders were in keeping with this theme. There was also a wishing well with windlass used as a Lucky Dip. The stalls were Ye Olde Curiosity Shoppe, Ye Olde Cheshire Cheese shoppe, Ye Dainty Flower Shoppe, Ye Olde Sweets and Soft Drinks Shoppe. Master Rix Wright also in period costume was in. charge of the Wishing Well.

Photo and article from the Delegate Argus 24th October 1940, was kindly supplied by David Goodyer of Bombala Newsagency.

Mrs. Wright former Hilda Rix Nicholas, a well known and talented artist came to live at Tombong after her marriage to Edgar Wright in 1928. Her paintings are hung in the Australian National Gallery and the Australian War Museum.

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October is the Month of Weeds

October is such a frustrating month – the weather is still too variable to plant summery things, the daffodils and jonquils are fading- (what to do with the mass of their foliage), if you have fruit trees daily hoping that late frosts do not kill the crop and of course most pressing, Spring has brought an explosion of weeds.

When it comes to weeding one size (technique) definitely does not fit all.

Most people believe that weeding means digging the plant out roots and all but this actually creates more problems. Disturbing the soil by digging is not only hard work but also brings seed stored deeper in the soil to the surface creating a second wave of germination. Digging also destroys soil structure as well as killing our best helpers the earthworm. Others select blanket herbiciding as an easier tool but this creates bare patches giving space for new germination and in the garden bed runs the risk of harming desirable plants by accidental direct contact or spray drift.

To get better results and to save time and effort it pays to consider the growth habit and life cycle of each weed species. Here are some ideas for matching technique to the special characteristics of each type of weed.

1. Seed spreaders. These are typically annuals. Think Californian poppies, flickweed, shepherd's purse, chickweed, wild radish and stinging nettles. **The key is to prevent seeding - so this type is best tackled before flowering by sliding a knife under them to sever their tender roots.**

This is all that is necessary as these plants do not regrow from roots. The tops can be left in place to wither but if seed has already set the cut plants are best placed in a plastic bag to rot. Flickweed rosette and pods (right) open explosively sending seed up to 3 metres. Flickweed and stinging nettle set seed at a surprising young age often in as little as ten days so frequent patrol is key to control.



2. Plants that spread by underground root systems (rhizomes) – think sorrel, couch, kikuyu.

These are perennials that can be controlled by light deprivation using cardboard or thick mulch.

Another technique is to put a drop of herbicide on a growing tip with a small paintbrush. The herbicide travels down the stems killing large swathes of the weed without risking desirable plants. Unfortunately, attempting to dig out this type is risky because the smallest piece of root remaining will create a new plant.

3. Plants with buds on underground structures. The most common in Delegate gardens is marshmallow weed, dandelion and Phalaris- all are long lived plants. Young plants come out easily with an upward pull but success with mature plants requires deep cut below the storage organ. In marshmallow this is a round protrusion at the top of the taproot. Dandelion can produce buds anywhere on its carrot like root but eventually gives up re-emerging after a few cuttings, in fact, in Italy and France where dandelion greens are a salad ingredient, it is considered bad form to cut too deep thereby preventing regeneration. Phalaris is like nut grass in having a series of underground bulbs one on top of each other that easily detach. This group of plants also produces copious seed so it is critical to eliminate them when young. The best form of control is biological. In the Delegate lanes and stock route cookies have cleaned up these pernicious weeds.



4. Tufting grasses have evolved to have strong roots to cope with grazing animal pulling on them as they eat so when we pull there is great resistance. This is one group where a fork is necessary. To prevent colonisation of bare ground mulch straight away.

The last word. Mulch does delay the soil warming in Spring so can delay growth of desirable plants. Soil needs to be 15°C for beans and 20°C for corn, tomatoes, cucumber, zinnias and sunflowers.



Below: some photos from the very successful French Follies concert held in 1993, which raised over \$8000 for the Eden Monaro Cancer Council. It was held in the exhibition hall, but even with large numbers of seats, it was in such demand that many missed out on tickets, so by popular consent the show moved on to the Bombala RSL. Once again there was a packed audience in a smaller venue and over \$5000 was raised, this money being used to purchase an electric organ for use by the local community. At the Delegate venue a two course meal was served during the show, so a big proportion of the population were involved in many different ways.

