

DELUNGRA AND DISTRICT NEWSLINK

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Welcome to the April 2002 of the Delungra Newslink.

Clean up Australia

A big thankyou to our 13 volunteers on Clean up Australia Day. It was a great effort by those involved and we collected 25 large bags of rubbish (estimated at approx 250 kg). You can really see the difference in the areas we cleaned.

So thank you to Annette Watson, Tania Cannings, Gae Smith, Kylie and Jordan Shearing, Jesse Farragher and Delungra Girl Guides, Georgie, Jordan, Teegan, Kylie Alex and Kristen.

Veronica Farragher Site Supervisor

Delungra Girl Guides

The Girl Guides have been re-established and we now have ten fantastic girls coming each week to Guides. We do a lot of different activities from fitness to cooking to all types of art and craft. If you have any items you would like to donate to Guides for art and craft activities we would really appreciate it. Items can be left at the Police residence or at 14 Reedy Street or if you would like us to collect them please contact Annette Watson on 67 248 485

Veronica Farragher

Delungra Senior Citizens

The President Beryl Townsend would like to thank all those who attended "Our Day" on Monday 18th March to make it such a success to celebrate Seniors Week. A very big thank you to the Staff and Pupils of Delungra Primary School and Mrs Ainslie Savage for entertaining us and our visitors.

We will be having recipe books on sale at the Delungra Post Office in the next couple of weeks at a cost of \$6.00 a book. The club would like to thank Raymond Ford for handling these for the Club.

Our Annual Meeting is coming up in July when memberships will be due for payment also we would like to see our membership increase so more Seniors can take part in the upcoming activities of the Club.

Bingo is being held at the CWA Hall Rooms on Thursday 18th April commencing at 9.30 am Finger food lunch and then our meeting. Everyone is most welcome on the day.

Anne McNaughton Secretary

Delungra RSL Auxiliary

The next monthly meeting of the Delungra RSL Womens Auxiliary will be held at the Delungra Bowling Club at 2 p.m. on Wednesday 10th April 2002. N Calderbank

ANZAC DAY

The program for Anzac Day Thursday 25th April is as follows:-

- 10 am Wreath laying ceremony at Memorial Stone RSL Park followed by cemetery parade.
- 12 Noon March commences at Delungra Post Office led by the Inverell Pipe Band to proceed to RSL Park for Anzac Service. The members of the Delungra RSL Womens Auxiliary extend a cordial invitation to RSL Members, Ex Service personnel and their descendants (Medals) Schools, guides, Clubs to participate in the March and service. Local organisations and individuals are invited to lay wreaths at the Service. Nancy Calderbank

Delungra Uniting Church.

The Uniting Church Ladies will be holding a Coffee Morning on Monday 15th April 2002. There will be a guest speaker and a trading table. Cost for the morning day is \$5 and starts at 10am.

Ainslie Savage. (67 248365)

Delungra Neighbour Aid Service

During the past month services have continued as usual with delivery of meals, bus to Inverell, weekly lunch club and monthly bingo. It would be great to see more people using these services.

Volunteers.

Thank You to all the volunteers who completed their questionnaire and got it back to me. If you still haven't filled it out and would like to do so (while some decisions have been made) we would still like to know your thoughts.

Committee Meeting

These are held monthly and anyone interested in being part of the planning process for services with this organization should come along to our next meeting. We meet the third Monday of each month in the room behind the office at the CWA Hall.

At the meeting held on Monday it was decided that we will continue with a local cook for meal on wheels, we will look at more access to Inverell, Bingo will continue on the first Wednesday of the month with the introduction of cards/games morning on the third Wednesday of the month. Both mornings will be held in the Brownie Room at the Hall and will be followed by lunch club. Transport can be organized to larger centers. We reviewed Service Fees and found that some of these would have to increase. Meals \$5, Morning tea Bingo or Cards \$5, Lunch Club \$5,

Combined Morning tea, bingo/cards and Lunch Club \$8.

Transport to Inverell \$10, Armidale \$50, Tamworth \$50.

These new charges to start as of 1.4.02

April Dates:

Lunch Club 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th April. Lorraine on 67248533 for catering

Bingo 3rd April, 10am

Warialda access bus via Delungra 4th April

Committee Meeting 15th April 7.30pm

Cards morning 17th April 10am

Community Bus to Inverell 19th April

Bus trip to Bingara Social Day 26th April

MOW Volunteer Roster

April

	5 th	Cynthia Kent & Helper
8 th	12 th	Beryl Townsend
15 th	19 th	Clair Kent & Helper
22 nd	26 th	Edna Thomson
29 th	3 rd	Joy Fairy & Helper

If you were unable to carry out your MOW delivery, it would be much appreciated if you could find a replacement.

Delungra Neighbour Aid,
CWA Hall Burnett St, Delungra
Phone/Fax 67248554

Delungra Quilters

present

"Blood Sweat and Tears"

our

Bi Annual Quilt Show

held at Delungra Multipurpose Hall

on

Saturday 4th May 1-5 pm

and Sunday 5th May 2002 10am to 5 p.m.

Entry is \$6 includes Devonshire tea.

Sandwiches available for lunch on Sunday

Proceeds of the day to **Delungra Hall** and **Delungra CWA**

Trading stalls of fabrics notions and haberdashery

Raffle of Quilting and Patchwork goodies

Lucky doors prizes on each day (Patchwork cushion)

Cooking and trading stall -proceeds to **Cystic Fibrosis**

(all donations very welcome to Eunice McGrath)

Block draw will be held - Country stars any size - any pattern.

Name on blocks please.

Guessing competition -

*number of charm squares proceeds to **Cancer research***

Displays of many, many quilts

Brown Bag quilts - Surprise Sack quilts

Simple sampler - miniatures - Designer quilts

Quilts to go to Westmead Hospital from our 12 hour marathon.

Displays of craft items of all types.

Free Demonstrations will be held various times

**Come along and Celebrate the year of the Outback at
UNITING CHURCH
Ladies Coffee Morning.**

Where: Uniting Church Delungra

When: Monday 15th April at 10am.

Cost : \$5

Guest Speaker: Mr Jim Morse to tell us about his trips through the Australian Outback.

Delungra Presbyterian Womens Association.

Presbyterian Womens Association will be holding a WINTERS FASHION Parade on Saturday 11th May 2002. Features clothes from Boutique CAPRI at Bingara. More information next Newsletter.
Muriel Woodward. President.

Delungra Citizens Association

The next monthly meeting of the Delungra Citizens Committee will be held on Monday 15th April at 7.30 p.m. All committee members invited to attend.
Margaret McGrath Secretary

Delungra C W A

Delungra CWA will meet on the 16th April at 1 p.m. For our April meeting bring along something about cherries and / or a cherry recipe. Articles for the Mothers Day raffle to Libby with a cream and gold theme.

Although I wasn't able to attend I have been told the night at Ainslie's was great and Jim and Barbs slides interesting and well presented.

Delungra had a successful day at the Gwydir Group Cooking and Handicraft Day in Yetman. Janice Uebergang has a win with a log Cabin Quilt and an heirloom christening gown. Lynne Rainger had a win with a porcelain doll and Di Brown with her cross stitch pictures of 3 houses. Our group also won the lavender bag competition.

The CWA Library is open each Saturday from 10 am to 11 am call and browse and see our range of reading. After missing the last 2 meetings I am hoping to see members at our next meeting and any new people who would be interested in joining our friendly group.

Christine Plumbe Publicity Officer.

Delungra Multi Purpose Hall Committee

The annual campdraft was held on Saturday 23rd March and the Hall Committee would like to thank everyone who helped on the day. Some come to volunteer at a moments notice and we did appreciate everyone's assistance and cooking. We had a great day and final figures were given out at last nights Meeting and will be published next newsletter

A working Bee will be held on Saturday 18th May to continue maintenance on the Hall primarily to upgrade the second squash court. All volunteers greatly accepted.
Margaret McGrath Secretary

Delungra Catholic Ladies

The next meeting of the Delungra Catholic Ladies will be on Thursday April 11th. All interested people very welcome to attend.
Eunice McGrath

Personal

I would like to say thanks to all the phone calls, get well cards and visitors to my house during my illness. Many thanks and much appreciated. Dick Kent.

Delungra Bowling Club

- For the information of members and their guests
- Congratulations to Bill Robinson and Cheryl Robinson the winners of the Members Giant meat trays and carton of refreshments. The next draw will be held on **27th April** so keep placing your tickets in the barrel. **(with your members number on the back)**
- **PIG IN A POKE is now up and running. See the Club notices for details. Next Draw will be held on Saturday 20th April Be in it to win Club Prizes**
- **Nomination sheets for all championships are now on the board. Put your name down soon. Finals of the Fours to be played on Saturday 13th come along and watch them play.**
- **Footy tipping Competition has commenced. we have a few leaders. Will they keep their picks up and stay in front or will some-one knock them off.**
- **Bistro Operating on Saturdays evenings - call in for a quick nibble after Tennis or dine in for a Meal of the Night for only \$6.50**

Copy of the letter written to Inverell Shire and the Development Council re Trees

" At the meeting of the Board of Directors held last week I have been asked to write to your Council with regards the request of Delungra District Development Council and the removal of six of the trees in the main street of Delungra.

We would like to lodge our strong disagreement with this decision and request that you give a great deal of consideration for the following reasons.

1. The Club is a continuing business of the District and employees 5 staff and would like to continue trading for the residents of Delungra and district.
2. The Club has been caring for the trees since their planting last year and are looking forward to the shade they will provide for our patrons whilst utilising all business's in the main street.
3. We are also looking forward to the possibility of angle parking in front of the club therefore gaining closer and expanded access to our facilities for many of our patrons who are elderly.
4. We are aware of the problems of trucks parking in the main street for some of our residents and the problems that can be left behind by some of these vehicles. We do not appreciate having to clean some-one else's problems when we find visiting truck driver's mainly do not utilise our business.
5. We do not believe enough consideration has been given to ALL residents of Delungra and district. We had charts of your great beautification plan on display at our Local Post Office for some weeks and ALL residents were notified of where all trees were to be planted and we feel that ALL residents should be given the same opportunity as to whether or not the trees stay and improve our town.
6. We ask that Council will exceed to our request to leave the trees as planted and at the minimum decision will leave the trees in front of the Clubs facilities and Greens to provide shade for all drivers in the main street. We know that the Club that is a continuing business and should not be penalised (loss of shade and extra parking) for the possible effect it may have on a new business.

A copy of this letter has been forwarded to Mr Barry Johnson, Inverell Shire Council we look forward to the next meeting when we can deliver our proposals of all residents having knowledge on this decision.

Delungra District Development Council

The next monthly meeting of the Development Council will be held on Tuesday 16th April 2002, at 7.30 p.m. at the Delungra Bowling Club. This was delayed a week so that Shire representation could be made at the meeting and all residents notified of a **request** made by a new business to the Development Council **that 6 (six) of the trees in the main Street** be removed. These are four of the trees on the northern side between McIntyre Street and Gunnee Street and two of the trees in front of the Bowling Club and Green. This has been proposed to allow Truck drivers and Semi trailers to park in this area. **Please come along** to this meeting and **voice your opinion** and we need to know the effect it will have on residents in these areas and any effect it will have on the town as there is **already designated areas** for these vehicles set aside in the beautification program set down and accepted by the Development council after being shown on display to all residents from the Post Office. All interested residents very welcome.

An invitation was extended to Mr Ken Gray of Smoochies and Mr C Dick and any other interested parties to have written notes in this NEWSLINK but to date no replies forthcoming only from the Bowling Club (see bowling Section).

An invitation was also given to all by Mr Peter Lloyd to attend the next Shire Council public forum to address Council on this matter but only two residents Terry and Margaret McGrath were interested and accepted his invitation and attended and spoke to Inverell Shire Council. M

REMEMBER - Keep watering the Trees they are looking great - thanks for your support..

Delungra Anglican Church

Calendar for April

April 7	Sunday 9am	Holy Communion
April 14	Sunday 6.30 p.m.	Evening Service
April 21	Sunday 9am	Holy Communion
April 28	Sunday 6.30 p.m.	Evening Service

For further inquiries, contact Christopher Pears 67 25 4466

Monthly Inspirational :- Blessings to Cheer Us

"How wonderful are the good things you keep for those who honor you!

Everyone knows how good you are, how securely you protect those who trust you., Psalm 31:19.

God scatters blessings all along our paths to brighten our journey and leads our hearts to have Him praise Him. He wants us to draw water from the well of salvation so that our hearts will be refreshed. We can sing the songs of God, we can cheer our own hearts, and we can cheer the hearts of others and our hope can be strengthened, turning darkness into light. God has not left us to live as pilgrims to lighten our every burden. The borders of our life path are covered with beautiful flowers of promise. They bloom all year round, sending out rich sweet fragrances.

How many blessings do we lose because we close our eyes and overlook the blessings we receive daily, yearning for that which we cannot have. Everyday mercies, which thickly cover our pathways, are forgotten. We can learn lessons from the humble things of God in nature. What about the flower that lives in a dark and humble place, it responds to all the rays of light if can get, and puts forth its leaves. The caged bird sings in it's prison cage, in it's sunless home, as if in the presence of God. God knows whether we will make a wise and saving use of His implicity in His words of promise, gathering comfort, hope and place from them: and He will reveal to us still greater depths of His love.

If we praise God's holy name as we should, the flame of love will be kindled in many hearts. The praise of God should continually be in our hearts and on our lips. This is the very best way to resist the temptation to indulge in idle, frivolous conversation. The Lord would have us look up, and be grateful to Him that there is a heaven...Let us grasp by living faith the rich promises of God, and be thankful from morning till night.

Delungra Womens Bowls Report

My gosh we do need rain and haven't the days been hot. We are having a mixed success with our Pennants. Results so far. 12.3.02 against Glen Innes 51 - 48 we won that game. 14.3.02 against Inverell RSM 48 - 42 we won that game. 21.3.02 against Inverell Women's No 1 27 - 51 we lost that game. 2.4.02 at Glen Innes Lost 51-33. I think the cold day may have had something to do with this score. it was cold!!! 4. 4.02 at Delungra against RSM Won 48 - 36. It was a good day with the weather being sunny and windy. We have two games of Pennants to go. 16.4.02 Inverell Women's No 1 at Delungra and 18.4.02 Inverell Women's No 2 at Inverell.

On Wednesday 20.3.02 that lady bowlers were invited to have a Hit and Giggle at the Delungra Golf Course by the Delungra Golf Ladies. There were plenty of wild swings, balls in the rough, gentle putts and lost tees. We had a lovely morning tea and lunch supplied by the golfing ladies. We have returned all lost tees!! It was just a good fun morning. Thanks you Ladies

On a pleasant sunny day 64 ladies helped President Edna celebrate her day. The visiting teams were East Gwydir, Moree, Bingara, Ashford, Warialda, Croppa Creek, 3 teams from Inverell Women's 2 from Inverell RSM, 2 from Glen Innes and 3 from Delungra. President Edna welcomed all the ladies. Vice-President of the Club Ltd George welcomed everyone. Play started with numerous spiders supplied by Delungra ladies. 16 ends were played, then lunch another 16 ends and then we all adjourned to the auditorium for high tea. Our high tea started with President Edna reciting the Bowling prayer and Beryl White played the music for our National Anthem. East Gwydir President Beattie Hawkins congratulated Edna for a lovely day, thanked the greenkeepers George and Ron for the excellent green. President Edna thanked Thelma Dorman, Nancy Hamilton, Heather Krug, Girlie Thomson and Ron White for helping in the kitchen and Clarice Whitaker and Emily Mephram for handling the refreshments.

The winning team was RSM No 1 H Anstee, M Kennedy, N Windmill and P Croft. Runners up were Glen Innes No 1 J Newson, L Grange, M Smith and H McNalley. Lucky Team donated by President Edna and drawn by President Beattie was Delungra No 1 E Thomson, B White, J Fairy and L Ogilvy. Resting Toucher was Beryl White. Raffle donated by Mae Hirsch was won by B Bennett of Warialda. Vice-President Jane Leader on behalf of the DW B C presented President Edna with a lovely Pot Plant. A Lucky East Gwydir team won an eight Pin. The Winning team was B Hawkins, B Esbery, J Houseman and N McIntyre. Our day finished with President Edna wishing all a safe trip home

Meeting of D W B C held on 4.4.02. President Edna thanked all the people who helped her celebrate her President's Day. Nominations are on the board for our Pairs and Singles Championships. Our next big bowling day will be our Rose Bowl Day on June 4th. More about that later. Next Meeting 4th May after bowls or at 1.30 p.m. No more news for now. Good Bowling Elaine.

Calendar

April	8th	Monday	Delungra Hall Annual General Meeting 7.30 p.m.
	10th	Wednesday	Delungra R S L Women's Auxiliary
	11th	Thursday	Delungra Catholic Ladies Meeting
	15th	Monday	Delungra Uniting Church Coffee Morning 10am
	16th	Tuesday	Delungra District Development Council Meeting 7.30 p.m.
May	4th	Saturday	Quilt Show Delungra Hall
	5th	Sunday	Quilt Show Delungra Hall
	11th	Saturday	Presbyterian Womens Fashion Parade.
	18th	Saturday	Working Bee Delungra Hall

Written notices for the next Newlink can be left in our Mailbox at 79 Inverell Street. Closing date for the next edition **MUST** be Friday 3rd May for a delivery of Tuesday 7th May 2002

Margaret McGrath 67 248353 Ph /Fax