

DELUNGRA AND DISTRICT NEWSLINK

DECEMBER 2002 EDITION

Welcome to the December 2002 edition of the Delungra Newslink.

Bowls Report from Women's Bowling Club

All our Championships have been played and won. Our President Edna is on our not well list but we hope to see her back at our Club soon. Cheers Edna.

We had our monthly meeting on 26th November at 1.30 p.m. Vice President Dot Sheen. We discussed our Xmas Party for 3rd December All going well. Our next meeting is on 26th January 2003. Where has all the year gone. As this is my last report for 2002 I would like to wish you all a Happy Xmas and may 2003 be a better year for everyone. See you on the Green in 2003. Elaine.

Delungra Community Health

Footcare Dates December 24, 2002 and January 28 2003

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone the very best for the holiday period. May you all have a safe and Happy New Year. My last visit to the Footcare for the Year will be Dec 24th. This service will resume in January -Tuesday 28 2003 will be my first visit for the year.

Regards Joanne Campbell Community Health Inverell 67 288 411

Delungra RSL Women's Auxiliary

The members of Delungra R S L Women's Auxiliary wish to thank the Delungra citizens who supported their Melbourne Cup afternoon. Winner of the Hamper raffle was Mrs Cis Castle of Delungra. We would also thank the bowlers who played at our Remembrance Day Bowls and made the day very enjoyable. We appreciate the support of Delungra Bowling Club on both these occasions and Mr Ray Ford of Delungra Post Office for his help. Members are reminded the monthly meeting of the Auxiliary will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday 4th December at the Delungra Bowling Club.

Nancy Calderbank

Delungra Girl Guides

Last Week the Guides had a great afternoon at the Delungra Bowling Club learning how to play bowls. Thankyou to the Bowling Club for having us and to Fred and Nancy Calderbank, Emily Mephram and Beryl White for their coaching on the day. Also thankyou to everyone who is collecting corks for the Guides to recycle. Please keep them coming as this will be an ongoing thing.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported Guides in Delungra in 2002. We have a strong and enthusiastic group of girls and we really appreciate the local support that we receive.

Veronica Farragher Leader

Delungra Homes for the Aged

The Annual General Meeting was held on Monday 18th November, 2002 at 7.30 p.m. The Committee elected were:- President Dianne Brown, Secretary Marlene Ballinger Treasurer Jill Brown and Vice-Presidents Margaret McGrath and Terry Smith. The committee welcomed a new member Terry McGrath and the next meeting will be held on Monday 17th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Hall kitchen New members welcome. M Ballinger Secretary.

Delungra Presbyterian Church

A family Christmas Eve service will be held on 24th December at 7 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. All welcome.

Shirley and Les Palmer

St Patricks Catholic Church

Mass is to be at 8am on Christmas Day - Bobby McGrath

Delungra Home & Community Care



As this is the last newsletter for the year I would like to wish all our clients, the volunteers and all other members of the community a very happy Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.

2002 has been a year of change with a new Coordinator, new programs and new ways of doing things. Even with change I believe that we have a quality service that provides help to older people and people with disabilities who live in the community. Thank you to all those that have supported this service during the year.

Bingo morning will continue each Wednesday until the 18th Dec which will be our Christmas Party, please bring along a donation towards the prizes. Bingo will resume again on 8th Jan 2003.

Wednesday lunch club meets each week at the hotel 18th December will be the last for the year with a Christmas lunch. Lunch club will resume on Wednesday 8th Jan 2003

Bus to Inverell 5th and 19th December please remember to book. There will be no bus then until 30th Jan 2003

Home delivered meals will be delivered each day except Christmas, Boxing Day and New Years Day if meals are required on these days arrangements can be made.

For any enquires please contact Virginia on 67248554/67291889

Delungra Bowling Club

On Friday 22nd November the Bowling Club had their Presentation Night. Fred Calderbank said Grace and then we all enjoyed a Smorgasbord. It was a lovely. Thank you Margaret and your helpers. The Presentation for the ladies was done with great charm by Mrs Dot Sheen. The following ladies did well:-

Singles Beryl White Runner up Dot Sheen

Pairs Emily Mepham, Val Edwards Sub for June Hobday.

Triples Emily Mepham, Edna Thomson and Nancy Calderbank. Congratulations All

The Men's Trophies were presented by Bowls Organiser Mr Kevin Leader and President Terry McGrath

Winners were:- **Singles** Trevor Cutmore.

Pairs Dave Saunders and Neville Scott

Triples :- David Saunders, Neville Scott and Terry McGrath

Fours - Ron White, Ross Hirsch, Dave Saunders and Fred Calderbank.

Mixed Pairs:- Ron and Beryl White

Mixed Fours - Ron and Beryl White, Dot Sheen and Fred Calderbank.

It was a great night and finished about 11 p.m.

For the information of members and their guests

- The next draw will be held on **28th December** so keep placing your tickets in the barrel. **(with your members number on the back)**
- **Bistro Operating on Saturdays evenings** - call in for a quick nibble after Sport or dine in for a **Meal of the Night for only \$6.50**
- **Saturday 30th November -** Roast Meat and Baked Vegetables
- **Saturday 7th December -** Beef and Macaroni Pie
- **Saturday 14th December -** Stir Fry Chinese Chicken
- **Saturday 21st December -** Rissoles and Veggies and Gravy
- **Saturday 28th December -** Savoury Steak
- **Saturday 4th January -** Hawaiian Meatballs
- **Saturday 11th January -** Fricassee Chicken
- **Saturday 18th January -** Curried Prawns
- **Saturday 25th January -** Sweet and Sour
- **Saturday 1st March -** Cottage Pie
- **Saturday 8th March -** Roast of the Day
- **Crackers and Cheese** are served on the Bar now on Friday nights - join in the social atmosphere while you nibble.
- **NIGHT BOWLS STARTS THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2002** names in by 6.15 for 6.30 p.m. start Cost is \$4 per player **Mufti Dress Juniors and Non-Members most welcome**
- **Club members Christmas Party to be held on Friday 20th December**

For and on behalf of the Publicity

Officer

Delungra Anglican Church

<i>Church Times:</i>	December	1st	11 am
	8th	8.30 am.	Holy Communion
	15th	11 am.	
	22nd	8.30 am.	Holy Communion
Xmas Day	25th	8.30 am.	
Combined Service	29th	9 am	Presbyterian Church

Marlene Ballinger

Delungra Rural Fire Services

The Delungra Rural Fire Brigade wish to thank those who turned up to support our recent Car Wash especially the publican and family for your generous donation. The winners of the voucher was Doug Taylor. Congratulations and thank you once again for your support M Simula

Inspirations: The Hope of the second coming of Jesus

The return of Jesus Christ to this planet to collect His people has been in all ages the hope of His true follower's. Our Saviour's parting promise upon Mt Olivet (where He went back to Heaven after His resurrection) that He would come again lighted up the future for His disciples, filling their hearts with joy and hope that sorrow could not drench nor trials dim their hopes. Amid suffering and persecution "the appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ was the "blessed hope". When the Thessalonians were filled with grief as they buried their loved ones, who had hoped to live to witness the coming of the Lord, Paul, their teacher, pointed them to the resurrection, to take place at our Saviour's return. Then the dead in Christ shall rise, and together with the living be caught up to meet the Lord in the air, And so he said. "Shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words (1 Thessalonians) (4:16-18)

Val and Syd Poole Seventh -day
Adventist Church

Christmas Raffle

First Prize Knitted Knee Rug (Xmas Colours) **2nd Prize** Christmas Cake (Not Home Made)

3rd Prize: Packet of Christmas sweets - to be drawn Friday 20th December 2002 All proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. **Tickets** \$1.00 each available at Post Office or Mrs E McGrath

Delungra Senior Citizens

We discussed Seniors Week at our last meeting held on Thursday 14th November at C W A Rooms. The meeting decided to hold our day on Monday 17th March 2003 which will be St Patricks Day. Entertainment and lunch - further information in later Newslink.

As we received an invitation from Mt Russell C W A for their Christmas Party on Thursday 12th December we need names in immediately for this day exchange gift to the value of \$3. Our next meeting will not be until Thursday 20th February 2003 with a Bingo Morning. President Beryl and all members of the Club wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Health and Happiness for 2003. Beryl Townsend.

Delungra Bowling Club

Christmas Cheer tickets are available at the Club and can be picked up by members. These to be redeemed by Christmas Eve.

Delungra District Development Council

The Annual General Meeting of the Development Council was held on **Tuesday 12th November**, and the following people were elected to the Committee. President Graham Kent Secretary Jim Townsend and Treasurer Margaret McGrath. Fees have been set at \$1 to join the council to make residents eligible for voting rights at meetings. The next Meeting of the Delungra Development Council will be held on **Tuesday 10th December**. At this meeting the Strategic Plan for Delungra and District for the Townlife Development program will be tabled This will give the Council their planning for the future.

Delungra Town Mower

The Inverell Shire Council have provided the town with a Ride -on Mower and is kindly stored at the home of Mr Leo Cutmore of Burnett Street. This is not for private yard use but to use for footpath mowing etc. For bookings and further conditions of use Please contact Leo Cutmore.

Calendar DECEMBER

3rd	Tuesday	Delungra Womens Bowling Club Christmas Party
4th	Wednesday	Delungr RSL Auxiliary Meeting
10th	Tuesday	Delungra District Development Council
12th	Thursday	Delungra C W A Christmas Party
20th	Friday	Delungra Bowling Club Christmas Party

Written notices for the next Newslink can be left in our Mailbox at 79 Inverell Street. Closing date for the next edition must be Friday 3rd January 2003 for a delivery of Tuesday 7th January 2003
Margaret McGrath 67 248353 Ph /Fax

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CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

To be held in the Park next to the Multipurpose Hall
SUNDAY 22nd DECEMBER at 7.30 p.m. ALL WELCOME
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School News

Sporting News

Congratulations to Rachael Kent. Rachael has achieved a remarkable feat through her selection to the NSW State Girls Cricket Team for the national competition. The competition will be held in mid January in Barooga, near the Victorian/ NSW border.

So far this year Rachael has represented the school and district in touch football and cross country. She went on to represent the school, district and region at the state championships in tennis, cricket and soccer.

Rachael will also receive a North West PSSA Sporting Blue Award for her outstanding achievements throughout 2002.

As far as we can ascertain Rachael is the first state representative from the school over the past fifteen years. If you know of any other sports people from the school who represented the state in any sport over the past fifty years could you please notify the school for our future records.

Rachael is required to participate in a fundraising program as part of her selection. She will be selling raffle tickets at various events between now and Christmas.

Family Evening 14th November

What a great evening—despite the weather !!!!!!! The school has officially opened the Open Learning Area project. The area to the east of the tennis court has been designated as an ongoing project to create a pleasant open area for eating and working. There are many established trees in the area and three new trees were added at last year's Federation Day celebration. We really appreciated the Thomas family making the effort to join us for the planting of a new tree in memory of Di Thomas.

A note of thanks to the P&C who work so tirelessly to make such events a success. Recently they arrived to cook a sausage sizzle for all the children and the visiting Attunga softballers and they were back at work again last Thursday evening.

A special vote of thanks to Mrs Edmonds and Mrs Irwin for the singing and dancing entertainment on the night.

Presentation Night

Parents and community members are invited to join the school for the annual presentation night activities on Wednesday, 19th December. Families are asked to bring along a salad and sweet for dessert. Don't forget to bring along your eating and drinking utensils. The P&C will provide the additional catering.

The evening will start with the family meal from 6.30pm – 7.30pm. The formal presentation will take place from 7.30 pm – 9.00pm. This will be followed by desert and coffee.

End of Term

Please note that school finishes on Friday, 20th December. Teachers will resume on Wednesday, 29th January 2003. Children in Year 1-Year 6 will resume on Thursday, 30th January. New Kindergarten children will start on Monday, 3rd February 2003.