

Delungra Public School P & C are holding a lolly drive. An order form will be at the Post Office (thanks Raymond) if you would like to order some lollies for Easter. Thank you to Delungra HACC for their donation of paper.

Please leave your notices in the Newslink box at the Post Office, or Email: rockvale@northnet.com.au.

Delungra School News.

Due to recent breaches of the school Welfare and Discipline policy, some students have had to be suspended.

Suspension is not taken lightly and follows strict guidelines and procedures laid out in the NSW Department of Education and Training Suspension and Expulsion procedures, followed by all public schools in NSW.

Suspensions are the consequence of repeated failure to abide by the standards of behaviour laid out in the school's discipline policy. They occur to allow students who have broken rules to reflect on their behaviour and make the transition back to school. It also allows the school to plan for the student's re-entry, looking at types of support mechanisms and management strategies. They also allow the rest of the students in the class an opportunity to learn without the disruption of poor behaviour.

The staff at Delungra Public School are fully committed to ensuring maximum learning opportunities for the students under their care. It is therefore disappointing that some members of the Delungra community appear to be making ill-informed judgments about the school and its Welfare and Discipline policy. Misinformation such as this can be very destructive in a small community. The school and community should be working together to support each other and promote public education in our town. With the combined centenary celebrations coming up it is important that the bond between both groups is strengthened, not diminished by gossip.

Suspensions are also private matters between the school and families involved – please respect this privacy.

The school is currently reviewing its Student Welfare and Anti-bullying policy to ensure that students continue to learn in classrooms free from interruption and play safely and happily in the playground. The reviewed policy will be presented to the P & C at the April meeting and if accepted will be implemented from the beginning of Term 2. This review is part of the school's normal policy review cycle.

Please contact the school if you feel strongly about a school-related issue and remember; P & C meetings are for Parents and CITIZENS. Please come along and be part of a team to promote Delungra Public School. Remember, visitors are always welcome at our assembly, held on Mondays, at 2.45. Come along and help celebrate the achievements of our students.

Mrs. Edmonds will be taking long service leave from Monday, 6th March through to the end of 2006. She will be replaced by Mrs. Eleasha Griffin from Inverell.

The school community wishes Mrs. Edmonds lots of happiness for her leave and hopes she enjoys the opportunity to relax and spend time with her family. We look forward to welcoming her back in 2007.

Belinda Eddy
Principal

CRIME REPORT

Welcome to this months crime report.

I need to pass on some important information to you all. I don't normally like to advertise this too often, but on this occasion it is necessary. From Sunday 26th February until Tuesday 28th March I will be away from Delungra. I will be working a couple of shifts in Inverell during the annual show but apart from this, I will be on holidays. During this period of absence, jobs at Delungra will be attended to by either Inverell or Ashford Police. These police will also conduct random patrols of the village. I encourage you all, during this period of absence, to continue reporting matters of concern. I will not be going far during my holidays, travelling between Delungra and Inverell. Our house we are building in Inverell is finished so during this period of leave, I will be moving my wife and children into our new home. They are very excited. When I return to work, I'll be batching until a transfer to Inverell is approved. At this point there are no positions available in Inverell, so until one becomes available, I'll be staying put.

It appears that Delungra's reputation is exceeding itself. Other police are now interested in transferring to Delungra, if and when a transfer is offered. Although the position here has not been advertised, word of mouth re a possible vacancy later in the year has generated some interest. Those interested police like the town and what it has to offer. It is up in the air who will come to Delungra when I eventually leave. Once a transfer is offered, it will be up to management to allocate my replacement from those interested parties. From my point of view it is very encouraging that police are interested in Delungra, it's a great town with a great community. That speaks for itself.

I can confirm that due to being on leave, there will be no crime report in next months edition of the Delungra Newslink (March edition - published early April). I apologise for this and will provide two months worth of information in the following newsletter.

I hope the community gets out and supports the following events;

1. Clean Up Australia Day, Sunday 5th March (starts from Anzac Park)
2. Delungra's Town & School Centenary/Australia Day meeting, Tuesday evening 7th March (at the Delungra Bowling Club)

Both are two very important dates. Firstly clean up Australia day is a great opportunity to beautify Delungra, hopefully there won't be too much rubbish to collect. Secondly the meeting on the 7th March needs the support of the Delungra community if the village is to celebrate its centenary. If no interest is shown, there will be no event. The meeting is for the whole community, past and present. Come along and give your support.

If interested, keep the following date in mind:

KIDS DISCO
FRIDAY 7TH APRIL 2006

DELUNGRA BOWLING CLUB
7.00PM TO 10.00PM

\$2.00 PER PERSON
(Lucky Door Prizes - Easter eggs)

HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW INFORMATION ABOUT HOSTING OR BEING INVOLVED WITH TEENAGE PARTIES. Here is your chance to find out all about it. Read on;

On Wednesday 12th April 2006 a "Getting you head around Teenage Parties" workshop will be held at MacIntyre High School, Inverell. The workshop is free, it runs from 7.00pm - 9.00pm and will address alcohol, drugs, licensing and legal issues, step by step guide to hosting and other valuable information. In conjunction with the Inverell Community Drug Action Team, I will be running a free bus from Delungra to Inverell (and return) for this seminar (providing I get the interest). Enclosed at the bottom of this crime report is a register, if you want to come along to this workshop, all you have to do is fill out the form and drop it under the front door of the Delungra Police Station. Alternatively you can fax your details to 67248564 or secure your seat by contacting me on my personal mobile 0429 196 850. There are only 20 seats available so those who register early will have the opportunity to go. Once your intentions are registered, I will contact you prior to the event to make sure you are still available to attend. The bus will leave/return from a central venue in Delungra. Anyone who has teenagers or children that are about to venture into their teenage years, I recommend you take this opportunity to attend. A flyer is enclosed within this Newslink, it contains further information about the seminar.

Inquiries into the motorised push bike have been completed. Unfortunately the family did not/could not provide the documentation to support their claims that the motor output was legal. Information from the R TA technical service branch states "Owners and users of motor assisted bicycles that are considered to be exempt from registration should take care to ensure that the motor output can be proven to be not more than 200 watts". What this means is that the onus of proof lays with owners and users of these push bikes. Owners and users must provide written documentation to confirm the bikes legalities. Following my own inquiries, information from the motor manufacturers (product and development unit) is that the motor CC output exceeds 200 watts. This in effect makes the motorised push bike illegal. It is estimated that the motor output is in the vicinity of 700 - 850 watts. Despite this information there is no written documentation to confirm this estimation. At this point the issue with the motorised push bike has sorted itself out, with the motor blowing up. Should it resurface, the matter will be addressed further.

In other news;

Anyone missing a push bike. An old style push bike has been handed in to police. If you think it might be yours and can identify it, let me know.

On the 28th January Police attended a rural property north of Delungra in relation to some straying horses. Some horses had become loose from their yards. The property owners were happy to let the horses remain on their property until the owners could attend to collect them.

On the 6th February an abandoned vehicle was located at Little Plain. Council was contacted to remove the abandoned vehicle.

On Monday 6th February, following an anonymous tip off, a vehicle was stopped by police. The vehicle was unregistered, uninsured and was towing an unregistered trailer. The male driver was issued fines totalling \$1350 for these offences.

On the 15th February Police had cause to speak with a Delungra female in relation to a driving complaint. The complaint was received from another member of the public and related to an incident the previous weekend. No formal action resulted at the request of the complainant. Conflicting versions were received from all parties involved.

On the 15th February Police attended Gleno Street in relation to a stray horse. The horse was ushered into a neighbouring residential paddock until the owners could attend to collect it.

On Friday 17th February a 27 year old Delungra female was the victim of a vicious domestic assault. The incident occurred on a rural property east of Delungra. The victims head was rammed several times into a fibro wall. The following day further assaults occurred with the victim being dragged around the house by the hair. During the assault a knife was produced and threats towards the victim were made.

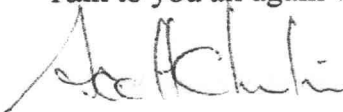
The alleged offender has then locked the victim and her children inside the house, locking all windows and doors before taking the keys. All were kept prisoner in their home. The following day the victim and her children were able to get away from the alleged offender, attending the police station to report the incident. All incidents occurred in the presence of the children. A 30 year old male is now sought over this incident. He is currently on the run.

For a couple of days prior to the 22nd February, a Delungra male received approximately 8 abusive phone calls from another person. At the request of the victim, the person responsible for making these phone calls has been spoken to by police. The victim requested no other action apart from the person responsible being spoken to. This request was complied with.

At 9.40pm Saturday 18th February a 12 year old local youth had his push bike confiscated by Police. At the time the local youth was riding the bicycle erratically along Inverell Street, darting backwards and forwards across the road. The young person was not wearing a helmet nor was he in possession of one. The young person had no shirt or shoes on, there was no brake on the bike and the bike was not fitted with lights. Due to stormy weather, visibility was poor. Due to his age infringement notices could not be issued. For the young persons own protection, and for the protection of other road users at the time, the young persons bicycle was confiscated, to prevent further offences.

Don't forget I have a notice board at the front of the Police Station. Should you attend and I am unavailable, providing your attendance is of a non-urgent matter, leave me a message and I will endeavour to contact you at the first available opportunity. For those who are unaware, some incidents can be reported to the Police Assistance Line by phoning 131444. The Police Assistance Line has been set up to take reports of minor offences including car theft, lost property, minor traffic accidents, burglary, damage to property and stealing. For all urgent matters phone 'triple 0' or contact Inverell Police on 67220599.

Talk to you all again when I return from Holidays.



Scott Chester
Senior Constable

**"GETTING YOUR HEAD AROUND TEENAGE PARTIES"
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MacIntyre High School & Hunter New England Health
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A workshop for all parents, teenagers and
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12th April 2006

7-9pm

Workshop includes.....

- ✗ Alcohol & other drug information
- ✗ Licensing and legal issues about hosting teenage parties
- ✗ Laws concerning secondary distribution of alcohol
- ✗ The step-by-step guide to organising parties
- ✗ Di@yll (Drug Information at your local library) & other local support services

Free admission, refreshments and giveaways available

ALL WELCOME

Organised by Inverell Community Drug Action Team (CDAT) and
catered by MacIntyre High School

Contact: Tania Mills on 6721 9600 or 0428 215 889

*Enquire about a free bus from Tingha or Delungra
Call Tania 6721 9600 or Scott Chester 6724 8244 for details*



Child Safety Handbook

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NSW Police Legacy launches Child Safety Handbook

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Keeping children safe from harm is an every day challenge for parents, teachers and child carers.

Whether it's teaching children how to cross a road safely, how to identify poisonous plants, or the danger of drug abuse, their young lives are daily confronted with choices and decisions.

To help children and their parents develop skills and strategies to ensure their wellbeing NSW Police Legacy, in conjunction with Millbank Publications, has launched the *Child Safety Handbook*.

This book has been made possible by the support of local businesses and will be distributed free of charge throughout primary schools in the school districts of Armidale, Broken Hill, Orange, Moree, Dubbo, Bathurst and Tamworth during the next eight weeks, reaching family homes as a permanent reference.

"Our kids are so important to our future and it is very necessary that they grow up feeling capable of coping with all aspects of their life. To do this they need to be confident that they have the best information to ensure their own safety," said NSW Police Legacy Chairman, Phil Hickman.

The book's content was developed with the assistance of the Protective Behaviours Consultancy Group and addresses issues of safety in the home, on the street, outdoors, at school, personal safety and drug awareness. Its aim is to help parents, teachers and caregivers understand issues surrounding the safety of children and to help provide children with appropriate protective behaviours. The handbook has also received input from the Department of Education and Training in New South Wales.

The main purposes of the book are:

1. To decrease accidents and fatalities through safety awareness and education.
2. To provide emergency phone numbers and support groups for families and children

For further information contact:

Katherine Crichton, Child Safety Campaign, 02 8596 8650

Fiona Wills, Secretary, NSW Police Legacy, 02 9212 7611

To obtain a copy of the handbook contact Millbank Publications on 02 8596 8650

Delungra Community Health News.

Hello to all Delungra Residents:

Footcare Dates for the next 3 months: **March 2, April 6, May 4.**

ASTHMA ATTACKS

People with asthma have sensitive airways in their lungs. When they are exposed to certain 'triggers', such as pollens, grasses, cigarette smoke or animal hair, their airways narrow making it harder to breath. Asthma attacks can be curbed through a number of simple preventative measures.

- 1) Be aware of you surroundings, avoid being outside at sunset as the pollution levels and pollen counts are at their highest levels. When on holidays be aware that you may be faced with unfamiliar triggers and have sufficient preventers with you.
- 2) Get Fit- swimming and fitness classes involving short bursts of aerobic exercise ultimately strengthens airways and relieves symptoms.
- 3) Stay educated- an important part of managing asthma is education. Get to know as much as you can about your asthma and be aware of the early warning signs of an attack. Inform people closest to you about what to do if you do have one.
- 4) Adults with asthma-many adults believe their asthma is under control because they no longer have attacks that interfere with their everyday life. In fact, if you have suffered with childhood asthma, the chances are you still have poor lung function. Your asthma has not gone away, it has simply changed the way it presents itself.
- 5) Asthma action plans-Studies show that there is a lower risk of death from asthma attacks when personal action plans are developed. A plan is written by your Dr to help you identify when your asthma is worsening and to prevent acute attacks.

Have a good month.

JoAnne Campbell, RN. Inverell Community Health Phone: 67219600.

Delungra Girl Guides.

Guides are back in full swing and looking forward to a fantastic year. Our big event in 2006 will be Jamboree near Sydney in October and this will be a great experience for our 11+ girls who decide to attend this 8 day camp. Our support group are subsidising this trip to make it more affordable for our families. Welcome officially to Coral Knight who will step into a youth leader position this year with our group. She will be a great leader for our unit.

Our Annual General Meeting and next support group meeting is set down for Tuesday 14th March at 6pm. We desperately need people to support this. At our last meeting we did not have sufficient attend to hold an official meeting. Some of our office bearers are not available for positions this year and we need new office bearers + committee members. Please, this is not a difficult job and you do not have to have a child involved in Guides to help out with our support group. We need your help. If you are interested in our unit please contact me.

Veronica Farragher Leader

Delungra CWA News.

We had a good roll up for our first meeting for 2006. We had a water pipe burst at the hall during the holidays – fortunately a concerned resident reported a great pool of water and we were able to have it repaired before our water bill was too horrendous! Our kitchen painting has been completed and as we still have some money left from a grant we received last year which was to be spent on kitchen renovations, we are pricing new benchtops for the cupboards which would really brighten up the room (if we can afford them!) We now have only one room in the building which hasn't been freshly painted. Hopefully we will be able to work on having that done and that should mean we won't have to spend too much on upkeep for a few years. Lynne told us that unfortunately 6 out of the 8 breast cancer pillows that we made the end of last year have already been given to mastectomy patients locally. We were quite shocked to think that there was such a need for them in our local community. We plan to make some more soon. Inverell Hospital have contacted us to say they need more of the little quilts we make for still born babies – another thing we wish there was no need for. We will be making some more at our April meeting. Our next meeting will be at 9.30am Wednesday 14th March. Please feel free to come along and join us – although this report sounds a bit grim, we really do have lots of fun!

Ainslie Savage.

DELUNGRA CAMPDRAFT

8th & 9th April 2006

Affiliated with the ACA-Membership compulsory from 1st April

Entries close Monday 31st March 2006 or when cattle allocated.

SATURDAY 7:30 START

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SUNDAY 7:00am START

\$150 DR & CC STRAHLEY ENGINEERING ENCOURAGEMENT DRAFT Entry \$12

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Trophy- For the Highest Score in First Round

48 hours notice of scratchings must be given or stock levies of \$5.00 per entry will be charged.

The Committee reserves the right to alter the program and refuse any entry.

Program subject to cattle availability.

All Prize Money GST inclusive.

CATERING AVAILABLE ON GROUNDS.

BAR, SAUSAGE SIZZLE - FRIDAY NIGHT (gold coin)

Breakfast Saturday and Sunday.

BBQ TEA SATURDAY NIGHT.

Lucerne hay available on the ground Saturday

Contact Numbers

John Saunders (02) 67251443 - Wayne Edwards (02) 67236499 -

Terry Brown (02)67248361 – Keith Savage (02) 67248365

Make a difference.

He's at it again. Ian Kiernan OAM is again telling people to clean up Australia. Can't you see? The rubbish you drop is littering the place up. Everywhere you look there is mess as a result of careless people not "doing the right thing". Come on – make a difference. Put your rubbish in the bin. Put rubbish away for good.

I suppose rubbish doesn't have to only mean plastic bags, food wrappers and junk (to name a few). Why not add the foul words, smutty jokes and violent tempters (to name a few)? Put this rubbish away for good too. Here I am, at it again. But just as our environment is a cleaner place without rubbish so our lives can be cleaner by following the man who was left to die on a rubbish tip outside Jerusalem. It is now sixteen years ago that an average Australian bloke had a simple idea to make a difference in his own back yard – Sydney Harbour. Jesus was an average Jewish man who had a simple idea to help people clean up their hearts – ask him for forgiveness. As our great and powerful God, he makes a difference.

Lent begins this Wednesday. I remember when this was the name given to the school term. Traditionally, and there is nothing wrong with tradition – Clean Up Australia day is now a tradition, lent has been a time for calling on people to examine their lives and hearts to see if there is any mess that needs cleaning out. Invariably there is. Come to church on Sunday and celebrate the difference that Jesus can make.

David Wiedemann 02 6722 4375

**Quilt and Craft show preliminary notice 6th and 7th May 2006 at the
Delungra Multi-purpose Hall. More details later.
Gae Smith**

Delungra Playgroup

Delungra Playgroup would like to thank Gwen Williams, Hong Yuen & Co and everyone that helped us on Australia Day and all the people that supported us.

We would like to welcome our new mums and children to Playgroup.

Even though numbers have been boosted we would still like to see more mums and children come, as one day there may not be enough to carry on, which would be a shame as it has been running for over 30 years.

We have changed a few things at Playgroup such as structured play which includes activities like art and craft, puzzles, building and construction etc.

And thanks to the CWA ladies we now have the kitchen painted and it looks lovely.

So please any mums, dads, grandparents or guardians please feel free to come and join us for a pleasurable morning.

Playgroup meets every Wednesday 10-12pm at the CWA Hall, Burnett St.

Any enquiries please contact

Summer Stewart 02 6724 8240

Sally Barnes 02 6724 8429

Annette Watson 02 6724 8485.

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Australia Day 2007 / Centenary Celebrations

Following on the success of Australia Day celebrations in 2005 and 2006, Delungra will combine Australia Day celebrations in 2007 with a series of functions and events to celebrate the centenary of Delungra village and our school.

Right now we invite all members of our community to:-

- provide ideas,
- locate former residents,
- plan activities
- identify where there are records and memorabilia from our history and heritage
- give administrative support,

Please attend the first meeting of the 2007 committee

Date: 7th. March 2006

Time: 6:30pm for a formal meeting at 7:00pm

Place: Delungra Bowling Club

We are very keen to have all local organizations represented at this meeting, sporting clubs, community organizations, even sporting groups and employee groups that may no longer exist but have an important role in our history, informal groups and business houses.

We are planning to elect officers to a committee so that we can carry things forward. If that isn't what you want to do, don't be put off! The important thing at this stage is to get as many ideas as possible and identify where the resources are that will be needed to carry them out. The spirit in our community gives us confidence that what needs to be done, will get done.

Fred Dobner Immediate Past Chairman

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DELUNGRA RURAL FIRE SERVICE NEWS

February has happily been a fairly quiet month for us. However there was a fire in a major power line that we had to attend to. Thanks to you all for being so careful, please keep your careful lookout for potentially fire prone situations and avoid them.

I have used this column in the past to promote the use of smoke alarms in homes and other buildings. To all those of you that are now equipped, **congratulations!** Be aware though that like any machine they can fail or flatten their battery. The RFS is very much behind the idea that we should all replace batteries and test our alarms at the start and end of daylight saving. This is such an easy way to get us all to think about it and encourage us to do the replacement and the check that it makes a lot of sense. Since daylight saving ends this month now is the time for you to replace your battery and check your alarm. It only takes a few minutes and could save your life or the life of someone you love. Please do it!

It seems that you have all been careful to obtain and comply with fire permits – thank you! This does two things, it means that you and someone in the brigade has thought about what you want to do and that appropriate precautions are in place. Secondly it means that when you use the permit we know about it and do not get called out when it is unnecessary.

Wherever people gather many are at risk in an emergency situation. This is normally addressed by developing an evacuation plan, training staff or regular attendees and maybe appointing wardens. Organisations like schools and other institutions as well as larger employers will use fire drills both to see how well the plan works and to train people to follow it. We don't have large gathering places in Delungra because we are a small village but the school, churches, clubs and shops and anywhere else people gather should think about the possibility of an emergency and plan to deal with it. To the extent that we may be involved it could help us to know what your plans are. If this applies to you, please think through how you would handle a fire emergency, write it down, share it with those who may be involved and let us know what to expect if the worst happens. If you need help to develop a plan let me know and I will arrange the appropriate help from the RFS.

Fred Dobner (Chairperson) 6724 8316



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Delungra Home and Community Care News Letter

Phone: 67 291889

Well, the Australia Day, day was a big success. We had lots of people come and look at the stall and inquire about the HACC service in Delungra. We would like to thank the Delungra community for inviting HACC to attend the day.

Dates for the Calendar:

- Delungra Day Centre will visit Warialda on the 6th March for a few games of Bingo and lunch.
- Delungra Day Centre will visit Bingara RSL Club on the 14th March.
- Community Bus will go to Inverell on the 9th, 23rd March so if you need to do shopping ring the office and book a seat.
- Delungra Day Centre meets every Wednesday at the Delungra Bowling Club for a few games of Bingo and lunch. Hope to see you there.
- A day trip has been organized for the 7th March to Danthonia if you would like to come please call the office and talk to one of the staff.

If you need more information about HACC services please call the office on 67 291 889 and talk to one of our staff members. We are only too happy to help.

Some of the services that HACC provide are:

- Transport to appointments
- Meals on Wheels
- Referrals to other services
- Day trips
- Community Bus to Inverell every second Thursday of the month

We are still looking for volunteers in the Delungra/Warialda area in the following positions:

- Drivers - To accompany clients who have appointments
- Meals on Wheels - To deliver meals to clients homes
- Day Centre - To help staff with the running of the centre.

If you think you would be interested in any of these positions please call the office and talk to Amanda or Linda about it.

Hope to see you all on Wednesdays. Regards *Amanda Maitland.*

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Are you interested in joining a Mount Russell Playgroup?

It is proposed that a group will run for parents, carers and children aged 0 to school age. It could be held in the Mt Russell hall one morning a week for 1 ½ to 2 hours.

The group's aim would be to provide a relaxed and friendly environment where children could have fun, make new friends and develop new skills through informal play.



At this stage all expressions of interest would be most welcome. Please call Laurelle or Tanya on the phone numbers below or complete the slip and drop into either address.

Laurelle Wales
6724 8284
496 Mount Russell Road



Tanya Spinks
6724 8250
Hills Street



Name _____

Child's name/s _____

I am/am not interested in joining a Mt Russell playgroup.

My preferred days are _____

Delungra Senior Citizens News.

We had our first meeting for 2006 on 16th February with a small group listening to the sound of rain. A group of us went to Mt Russell's Xmas party and as usual enjoyed ourselves. We had a lengthy discussion about our Citizen's Day to be held on 6th April at Delungra Bowling Club, starting at 10am. Names and money to be paid on or before 16th March to Muriel (67248474) or Shirley (67291270). Cost will be \$14 per person. We would like to know by that date for catering purposes. Our program at the moment is Hoi, the Delungra school children will entertain us about 11.30am. We hope to have lunch at 12.30pm. We have an invitation to attend Bingara's Citizen's Day 5th April from 10am to 3pm. Names & money to Muriel or Shirley, Cost \$12.50. Beryl gave an interesting talk about being grandparents to our children. She has more information if you are interested Ph 67248432. We hop to have another visit from Tanya Mills health worker. Will be more news on that visit later. Our meeting closed 2.55pm Next meeting 16th March.

Elaine Wenzel.

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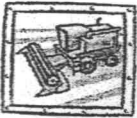
Delungra Catholic Church Mass Times.

Sunday - March 5th - 7.00pm
Sunday - March 12th - 10.00 am
Sunday - March 19th - 7.00pm
Sunday - March 26th - 8.00am.
Bobby McGrath.

Delungra Anglican Church Times.

Sunday March 5th - 11 am
Sunday March 12th - 8.30 am
Sunday March 19th - 11 am Harvest
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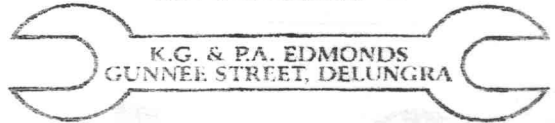
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Delungra Women's Bowling Club News.

Our first meeting for 2006 was held on 24th January. We had a minute silence for our friend and past member Lila Kent. We will miss her lovely flower decorations. We held our February meeting on the 28th at 1.30pm with a small attendance. President June welcomed us all. We had a shower of rain while our meeting was on, nice to hear it falling!! We discussed our President's Day which will be held on 7th March with morning tea 9.30 am for play to start 10am, with 2 rounds of 14 ends with a break for a picnic lunch. We will start the day with spiders before bowls and will be having high tea with winners being presented their trophies. Wasn't the rain lovely? Could do with more. See you on the green.

Elaine Wenzel.

Delungra Golf Program for March.

Delungra golf opening day was Sunday 5th March.

Thursday 9th March Meeting 7.30pm at the Golf Club.

Sunday 12th March – Medley 4 Ball Stableford

Sunday 19th March – Monthly Mug

Sunday 26th March – Stableford

Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd April Delungra Silver Open sponsored by Alex Johnston & Co.

Hit off times: 12noon. EST 1-00 pm DST.

Contact Brian Rowan Ph 67291271 or Barry Dunn Ph 67213318.

Graham Kent

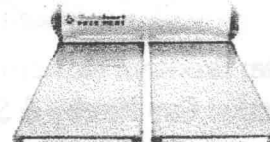
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