Once again this month we have many people to thank for their support. Last month the Newslink was printed by Mr Terry Kitching, Superintendent of NSW Rural Fire Service in Inverell. The paper was also supplied by the Rural Fire Service, Inverell. Thank you also to Michelle Simula who organized to have the Newslinks printed and also folded them. The Delungra Senior Citizens Club has given us a donation of \$50, and Rev. David Wiedemann has supplied us with some paper. Thanks to you all, it really does make the effort of compiling the Newslink worthwhile knowing we have so much support. Please leave your notices in the Newslink box at the Post Office, or Email: rockvale@northnet.com.au.

#### **Delungra School News.**

We celebrated Education Week at Delungra Public in a big way! We started our celebrations with the annual Cross Country, held at the golf course. We had a terrific contingent of runners, with almost 100% participation. We really appreciated the spirit of our runners, some students knew that they weren't going to win, yet came along and gave top effort, running, jogging, (and sometimes walking) the course. Five students, Melanee Matheson, Steven Grant, Paul O'Neill, Amy Barnes and Peter Halloran were invited to run in the Zone Cross Country last Friday. None of our runners were successful in moving to the next stage, but, once again they ran with determination and persistence.

After the Cross Country, everyone went back to school for a delicious morning tea, provided by the parents. This was followed by a small concert where the K1, 2 students won everyone's hearts with their singing of the "Best Gift of All". The P & C cooked a sausage sizzle for lunch and this was followed by the parents versus students Kick Cricket match. The students displayed terrific sportsmanship, didn't attempt to bribe the referee or twist the rules to suit the players – as some members of the parent's team did! We had a great game and a great day- it was encouraging to see so many parents supporting the school and encouraging our students.

We are trialing our new Student Welfare and Discipline policy and the students are responding well to the levels system. This, combined with the "You Can Do It" program is giving the students and staff very clear guidelines for rewarding good behaviour and dealing with the consequences of inappropriate behaviour.

We had our Reward Day for Term One last week. Students travelled to the Roxy Theatre in Bingara, watched a movie and had a wander and a shop at the Bingara Bakery. We had a few hiccoughs with the day but this didn't stop the children from enjoying themselves and having a good time. The staff was delighted with the number of children attending, an indication of the good behaviour choices being made by almost 90% of students at Delungra Public. We are hoping to have close to 100% of our students attending the Term Two Reward Day.

The K 1 2 students travelled to Tingha Public for an Early Childhood Day last week and had a fabulous time. They participated in a variety of activities with other 5,6,7 and 8 year olds from around the district, and scooped the pool with the prize winning. Three of the four prizes on offer went to Delungra students!

Don't forget, we welcome visitors and would love to have some classroom helpers - listening to students read for half an hour a week is a lovely way to connect with our students and would really help boost their confidence with reading.

# Congratulations

Emily Savage, Gae Smith, Ainslie Savage and Bobby McGrath pictured with Mr Peter Picket, School Education Director from Armidale and Belinda Eddy after they received their Education Week Awards for Excellence for achievement, service, contribution to and support of Delungra Public School.

Congratulations to these well-deserving winners.

Belinda Eddy Principal.



# Delungra Homes For The Aged Unit

The Delungra Homes For The Aged Committee have recently purchased a two bedroom unit with a car port in Inverell. We are now calling for expressions of interest from Delungra /Delungra District seniors, as the unit will soon be ready for its' new tenant.

# **Expressions of Interest**

The unit will be rented at a weekly rate to the successful applicant.

# For an Inspection

An inspection of the unit can be arranged with either:-

Dianne Brown: - 6721 0007

Marlene Ballinger:- 6724 8379

Jill Brown: - 6724 8361

We look forward to hearing from any interested people.

Delungra Historic Motor Club Inc.

On a bright and sunny Sunday late in May '06, three cars left Delungra for Delungra, via Warialda. Coolatai, Wallangra, Oakwood then Delungra. Just out of Warialda disaster struck with two brand new tyres going flat on the same car. This called a stop to the plan and after calling for a Range Rover and trailer, the return trip home was the way we came. A picnic/BBQ on the side of the road was enjoyed by all.

#### Coming events.

June 25<sup>th</sup> Bingara via Copeton Dam Wall.

July 16<sup>th</sup> Bundarra.

30<sup>th</sup> Model Aircraft display, Ashford Rd Inverell.

August 5th Orange Festival Bingara.

Any person interested in the preservation & restoration of vehicles and machinery 30yrs old or older, are welcome to join our small group of enthusiasts.

CONTACTS: Russell 67248112, Hedley 67248327, Harry 67248445.

Delungra Women's Bowling Club News.

President June opened our monthly meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 1.30pm. We have finished our minor singles. The winner was Lorna Ogilvie, runner up Gloria Anderson. The score was 31.30. It was a good close game. Congratulations to all who participated in these games. Our Rose Bowl Day will be Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June, starting time will be morning tea 9.30am, play 10 am. Two rounds of 14 ends each. We will stop for a picnic lunch, and hi tea will be provided. An important day to remember - our AGM will be held at the Bowling Club on 25th July at 1.30pm. We will be having our usual committee meting on the same day starting at 11 am. Our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday will be held on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August**. More news about that later. A Get Well wish to Jean Morrow and Audrey Clark. Meeting closed at 3pm. Good bowling on these nice days, but nights are a little chilly. Rug up well and ask Hughie to send that stuff called RAIN!!

Next meeting 27th June 1.30pm

Elaine Wenzel.

#### **Delungra District Development Council** Meeting 6th June '06 7.30 pm.

Agenda:

Minutes from last meeting

**Business arising** 

Correspondence

Treasurer's statement & adoption

Payment of Accounts.

REPORTS

GARBAGE TIP UPDATE

Ideas for the entry sign at Railway Park

Australia Day & Centenary Celebrations

Work for the dole program (park & other projects)

New entries for Trade & Services Directory

If any new business/trade or service has started in

the district please send info to

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Harry McNaughton.



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"Trevallyn" Delungra 2403. News from Delungra Senior Citizens.

This is combining our April and May meeting. Both were well attended. Senior Citizens Day was discussed with some suggestions for next year (2007). Australia Day & Centenary days were also discussed re: what we would do towards the celebrations. Donations were given to the school for library books and also to Newslink. Our thanks to the Sapphire City Princesses from our senior citizens for their donation to us and we must congratulate them and the committee for a very fine effort. Our carpet is down and makes our room nice and comfy. Thanks to all who did he job for us. Some bingo rules have had changes, they are on our notice board, also changes to travel costs to members who take their cars. We hope to have some venues checked out for possible trips. That will be great fun. We enjoyed a morning tea visit to Mt Russell CWA and their guest speaker was a lady from the Inverell Forestry Nursery and was very informative about different trees to grow in the area. We had 2 of our members on the sick list, Jean Morrow and Audrey Clark. Hope you are both soon well. Meeting closed 3pm. Our next meeting will be June 15<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Tania Mills will be coming to the meeting to talk about men's health. All members of the public are quite welcome to come and hear what she has to say. Elaine Wenzel.

#### **Delungra Golf News.**

Mixed champion winners were

Life Members Ron and Beryl White.

Scratch winners

Gordon Deane and Gloria Anderson.

Programme:

June 11th 2nd Gobbell Jug round. Hotel Challenge.

June 18th Stableford - Bundarra Open 4BBB.

June 25th Par – Monthly Mug.

July 1st Delungra Open Mixed

July 2<sup>nd</sup> Delungra Open

July 8th 1st Round Championships - 18 holes

July 9th 2nd Round Championships - 18 holes

July 16<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Championships – 18 holes

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Warialda open Mixed

July 23<sup>rd</sup> Warialda Open

July 30th Contractors Ambrose Day.

New members are always welcome.

Marlene Ballinger.

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Next Support Group Meeting Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm. All welcome. Please come along and help support our guide unit.

We have had a busy couple of months which included Harmony Day and our first Teddy Bears Picnic. Our picnic raised \$117 towards the Bandaged Bear Day Appeal and this was a great result. We had lots of bear related activities and family and friends joined us for afternoon tea. The girls were also busy at the end of last term making quilts which were displayed at the Quilt Show. They did a lovely job of their quilts and a big thank you to the parents and grandparents who joined us and helped the girls with this sewing activity. A special thank you to Mary Hough who donated a box of new sewing items to the unit for the girls. Our guiding unit catered for a day at the Quilt Show and this was a really enjoyable day. Most of the guides helped throughout the day and a special thank you to three outstanding girls on the day, Abbie Hough, Sam Knight and Alex Reynolds. We have had a number of new girls join our unit this term so welcome to them. Our numbers now stand at 17 which is a great result for a small town. We have done some guiding activities, mothers day gifts, postcards to another guide unit and plenty of games. We are now looking forward to our next camp which will be held in June, no doubt it will be chilly but fun. Thanks again to all who support our guiding unit.

Veronica Farragher. Leader

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# Delungra Post Office.

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Items from the A.P. Stationery & Mailing Catalogue can be ordered on request – order before Tuesday for Friday delivery.

Also

Local craftware for sale.

"Mrs McGrath's" Jam – all sales go towards Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

#### **DELUNGRA RURAL FIRE SERVICE NEWS**

This has been another quiet month for the brigade, thank you all for the care you are obviously taking! We in the brigade are there in case we are needed, not because we are. It's not what we do that's important; it's what we could if we needed to.

This is my last article in the position of president as I am not standing for that position at our forthcoming AGM to be held in early June. I believe strongly that voluntary organisations benefit from a fairly frequent turnover of officers, it brings new energy, new ideas and new interest from members and outsiders.

As I look back on the year our brigade has been able to meet all the demands made of it and we are proud of that record. We really appreciate the community award made to our former captain of eight years, Noel Simula, on Australia Day. Our finances are sound but not excessive, our membership adequate but those keen to be part of the organisation will always be welcome. Our field officers are capable and experienced and our administrative team working well with the Rural Fire Service.

The worst thing about this year was certainly that horrible crash on the road out of Inverell when two children were killed. Roads are dangerous places, cars have enormous potential to do harm, even though they are valuable to us all, careful and considerate drivers will minimise any negative effects, please be one yourself and encourage the same behaviour in everyone you know.

As always - be careful!

Fred Dobner (Chairperson) 6724 8316

#### Delungra Multipurpose Hall.

The quarterly meeting of the Delungra Multipurpose hall will be held on **Tuesday** the 15<sup>th</sup> **June 2006 at 5pm**. Your attendance would be most welcome. *Gae Smith.* 

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Delungra Quilt and Craft Exhibition May 2006.

Delungra Quilters recently held a very successful Quilt and Craft Exhibition.

After expenses we were able to donate:

\$500 - Delungra Multipurpose Hall

\$500 - Tamworth Region Westpac Rescue Helicopter

\$500 - NSW Cancer Council.

We have sent: 8 "Quilts for Keeps" to Westmead Children's Hospital

4 "Blankets of Love" to the Inverell Hospital, Winners – Raffle: 1st Lyn Hill, 2nd Leonie Moffit,

3rd J Brown.

Charm Squares – 283 in the jar – nearest Lyn McGrath – 285

Quiz – Saturday – Jenelle & Gwenda Williams – prize donated by Betty Rainger.

Sunday – Emily Savage – prize donated by Welcome Back Inverell.

Lucky door – Saturday – Nancy Buxton, Inverell – prize donated by Leonie's Arts & Crafts Sunday – Marlene Brown, Bingara – prize donated by Country Hearts Inverell.

Thank you to all who supported the weekend. D Brown, D Uebergang, G Smith.

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Delungra Australia Day/ Centenary Celebration Committee

Congratulations to Melanee Matheson and Jasmine Grant who won the competition to design our website logo. They received a book voucher each from Out the Back. I hope they had a lot of fun choosing their books and reading them. Congratulations to everyone who took part in the competition. In fact, everyone was a winner. The standard of work was so high that Summerlee and I had a really tough job choosing the winners. I hope that you have taken the opportunity to see the display in the Post Office. It is really lovely and worth looking at.

Support for our meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> was good, with new faces attending, and new ideas being thought through. We are delighted to have been offered sponsorship to pay for the hire of the hall by the Delungra Branch of NSW Farmers. This will be a great help to us, knowing that this expense is covered.

The Camp Draft Committee is going to have a Centenary Event in September and will also run the canteen.

The Guides are going to have a display, and will also provide morning and afternoon teas.

Memorabilia was a major topic, and we were fascinated to see the plan for the railway line from Mount Russell to Inverell which Mavis McLeod brought in. We will be getting the section from Delungra to Mount Russell, and these will be part of our display. Also, Beryl Townsend has been chasing photographs which will be a lot of fun, plus some sporting trophies.

A call from Mr Cliff Kennedy to tell us about his family history and collection of photographs has brought rich rewards. His family, as many of you know, was in Michell's Lane from first settlement and he has some wonderful anecdotes and pictures. Peter McCarthy told us some of the history of the cafes in the town, which is an area which has not been mentioned much lately. He has offered to link us to his Greek

Australian network which will give us publicity world wide

We would like to encourage everyone to get their family histories and memorabilia out and work out how you how you can take part. John Martel is the head of the sub-committee, and he will welcome your assistance and ideas. We have also been fortunate to have an article in the next Inverell Historical and Genealogical Society Newsletter and sent to their email list, which is also world wide. Hopefully we will

catch someone from out there in our ever expanding net!

I still would like some more input for the Town Walk Please ring me if you can tell me anything at all about your home, former home, or about any of the businesses, churches and the hospital, that will make the leaflet that goes with the walk interesting. I am sure that there are many stories out there that will entertain and remind us. We are particularly looking for the old Sporting Trophies. Do you have any tucked away in the shed or under the house? They would help to make a great display. We are planning to have them in a church hall, so that they will be on display all weekend, and will also be secure.

Don't forget, if you would like to help in any way at all, or have anything you would like to contribute to our displays, or an idea that will help, please ring me on 6724 8316. We would love to have your support and

involvement.

Sam Dobner Publicity Officer

Delungra CWA News.

We had an enjoyable and successful time catering for the Delungra Quilt Show. It was a time to not only make some money, but to catch up with friends and see some lovely handwork. Our next meeting will be at the New England Estates Winery where we will have our meeting, followed by lunch. Members are to bring along something to do with 'wine' to go into the cultural book. We have been collecting all our 5c pieces to use to buy fabric to make breast cancer pillows. At the meeting there will be a prize for guessing how may 5c pieces we have in the bottle.

Ainslie Savage.

#### Delungra Catholic Church mass Times.

Sunday – June 4<sup>th</sup> - 5.00pm Sunday – June 11<sup>th</sup> - 10.00am

Sunday – June 18<sup>th</sup> - 5.00pm

Sunday - June 25<sup>th</sup> - 8.00am

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#### K.G. & P.A. Edmonds

After 26 years K.G. & P.A Edmonds garage ceased active trading on 11<sup>th</sup> May. This event produced mixed emotions. Whilst we are excited about embarking on a new chapter in our lives and enthusiastic about planned ventures and spending more quality time with our family, especially our grandchildren, we acknowledge the gap in our lives that the friendship and interaction with the community and the loyalty of our customers will leave. Ken will miss his morning tea gatherings especially on rainy days. As we close this chapter it would be remiss not to mention our staff, their service and loyalty. Our sincere thanks go to all staff associated with the business over the years and especially to our longest serving staff members Doug Green and Ainslie Savage.

In conclusion Ken and I would like to take this opportunity to wish the new proprietors of the business (now known as Delungra Ag & Auto) Sean and Sarah Campbell the very best in their new venture. We trust their association with Delungra will prove to be enterprising and that they will form new and lasting

associations.

Many thanks, Pat and Ken Edmonds.

Reedy Greek Landcare Group

The next meeting of the Reedy Creek Landcare group will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, at the Delungra Bowling Club, 12.30 for 1pm. We will have Bob McGufficke and Steve McLane at the meeting. Steve will speak speaking about the way chemicals work in the soil, and Bob will speak about what happens above the soil as a result.

We are also looking for more participants in the Property Management and Planning Course. This is a really good way to make your enterprises more profitable! Everyone is welcome to join us, whether you are a member of the group or not.

For more information, please call me on

6724 8216. Sam Dobner

Cystic Fibrosis.

Many thanks to all who supported the Cystic Fibrosis stall held at the Delungra Ladies Quilt Show in May. Thanks for any donations etc. Your apple slice was very popular with the shoppers Barry. Thank You. Thanks to my willing helpers. I couldn't do these things without the help of my family. Thanks again to the Ladies for inviting me to hold a stall. We did very well for the week-end.

Very soon there will be a lovely crocheted wool rug to be raffled for cystic fibrosis; it will be at the Post Office. Thanks Raymond. Tickets \$1 to be drawn when enough tickets are sold.

Eunice McGrath.

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