

It was sad to hear this month of the death of long time Delungra resident Ross Hirsch. Ross and his wife May farmed on the property "Tarana" before retiring to Delungra. Last year, due to failing health they moved to Sawtell to live near their daughter Jenny.

We have a bit of a 'racy' article this month, provided by our "Old Truckie" contributor.

Don't forget if you feel an urge to put pen to paper with something that may interest or amuse readers, please do so. Articles for the Newslink are due the last Tuesday of each month. Please leave your notices in the Newslink box at the Post Office, or Email:

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Delungra School News.

Christmas

One of our students this week said that it was only twelve weeks to Christmas – scary thought isn't it? I'm sure it comes round faster each year. We always get a bit edgy when thinking about the end of the year and the last term! There's so much that has to be done in ten weeks. Presentation night, the senior play, preparation of concert items, the major excursion, intensive swimming scheme, high school transition, year six farewell and reports. All this as well as our day to day teaching and learning – no wonder we get edgy!

Dance-a-thon

Thank you so much to all community members who contributed to our dance-a-thon fundraiser. We're well on the way to being able to purchase our changeable notice board which will make it easier to publicize our events and recognize our great students.

Copeton Dam Technology Camp

Mrs Griffin and four primary students recently spent an exciting two days at Copeton Dam learning new computer skills and learning how to work with some brand new software programs. The new programs provide students with exciting and interesting ways to present their work and to create and publish animations, comic strips and movies. Last week at school the 'experts' who went to Copeton, along with Mrs Griffin, taught the rest of the school how to use the programs. We had an excellent day of cooperation and learning where the great benefits

of a small school were so obvious – big kids helping little kids, a sharing of ideas and everyone getting along helping one another.

Goodbye Mrs. McGrath

Last week the school students formally farewelled Mrs McGrath. Staff, students and parents thanked her for her dedication to, and support for Delungra Public during her long association with the school. The SRC presented Mrs McGrath with farewell gifts. One gift was a special bottle of glitter to remind Mrs McGrath of her time at Delungra. She always went a little pale when coming in to clean the classrooms after a particularly intensive and messy craft activity involving glitter!



Students celebrating with Mrs McGrath



The SRC presenting Mrs McGrath with a farewell gift.

Holidays

School resumes on Monday 15th October, we look forward to seeing all our students back again, healthy and happy, ready for a busy term
Belinda Eddy. Principal.

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Award to Nicholas Read.

Detective Sergeant Nicholas Read, son of Fay and Terry Read of "Avondale" Delungra was recently awarded the Commissioner's Commendation Award and the Commissioner's Unit Citation Award at a presentation ceremony at N.S.W. Police Headquarters, by the N.S.W. Commissioner of Police Ken Moroney.

Nick received these awards for his leadership commitment, professionalism, devotion and outstanding service with the Terrorism Investigation Squad during terrorism related operations conducted in N.S.W. which commenced in 2004 and led to the arrest and committal trial of 9 suspected terrorists.

Fay and Terry travelled to Sydney to attend the presentation ceremony. *Fay Read.*

At a fabric store, a pretty girl spots a nice material for a dress and asks the male clerk: How much does it cost? "Only one kiss per yard," replied the male clerk with a smirk. "That's fine," said the girl. I'll take ten yards." With expectation and anticipation written all over his face, the clerk quickly measured out the cloth, wrapped it up, and then teasingly held it out. The girl took the bag and pointed to the old man standing beside her, and smiled, "Grandpa will pay the bill."

Australia Day 2008.

At our last meeting we decided to purchase two or three gazebos for extra shade for Australia Day and then they can also be used for Anzac Day or whenever needed. We have two of these donated, one by Heitiki Stud and the other by Delungra Motors.

Thank you very much to these donors.

The October meeting will be held on Thursday 11th, 7.30 pm at the Bowling Club.

We are hoping to receive replies to the letters we sent to clubs and businesses. We need your HELP and SUPPORT.

Beryl Townsend.

Inverell & District Collectors Club Inc.

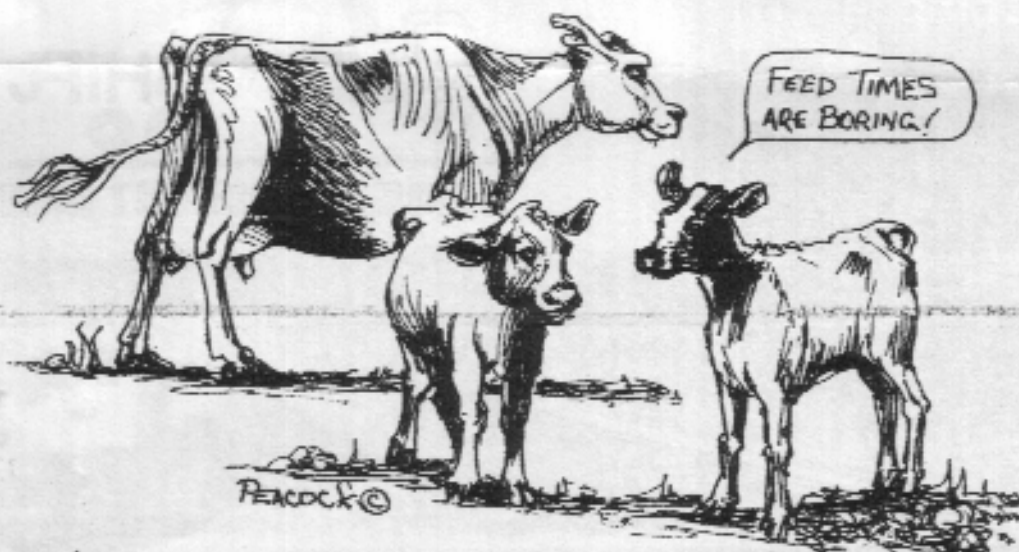
The 23rd Annual Bottle & Collectables show will be held in the Multi-purpose hall, Delungra on the 27th & 28th October 2007.

Entries are most welcome and show schedules can be collected from Leah Humphreys or Elaine Wenzel.

Market and car boot sale will be held on the Sunday 28th October in conjunction with the show, and stall holders are most welcome at a cost of \$10 per site.

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From the Torque Tube.

Sunday 2nd September – Father's Day saw a few members travel to Moree to attend their Motor Trade Expo, with plenty to see and do. An early start was the order of the day with three members' cars, plus guests in one and a very good day was experienced. The Rusty Iron Rally at Macksville was also on that weekend, and a couple of our members attended. It was a very interesting and informative outing. There is a visit to Cranky Rock planned for our next outing on Sunday 30th September. Looking for a nice warm day. Also on the weekend of 29th & 30th September and Monday 1st October, there is a Stationary Engine and Machinery Rally on at Pioneer Village which should be very interesting.

Anyone interested in old vehicles, engines and/or machinery is welcome to join us on our runs, which are strictly for fun. Modern vehicles OK. Further information please phone Russell 67248112, Hedley 67248327, Harry 67248445,

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Delungra Women's Bowling Club News.

A team of ladies travelled to Ashford for a game of bowls. On Wednesday the 19th September Emily Mepham, June Hobday, Ann McNaughton and Leona Robinson travelled to Inverell to help them celebrate their President's and Patron's day. A lovely day and our team came away with 2nd round winners. A lovely surprise.

Delungra had it's Patron and Triples day on the 25th September, with teams from other clubs attending. All had a good day.

Next meeting is Monday 22nd October at 1pm.

A McNaughton.

Delungra Rural Fire Brigade.

General meetings are to be held every 2 months on the first Thursday of the month at 7.00pm, at the shed. All members are encouraged to attend.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the unit are also welcome to attend.

Meetings – 7pm at Fireshed

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6th December 2007.

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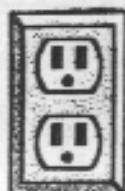
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Leah Humphreys Secretary.



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Delungra Girl Guides.

Guides have had a couple of busy weeks with a camp at Rob Roy on 15/16th September. The older girls camped out for the night and the younger girls spent the day with us on the Saturday. The theme was Pioneers so the weekend was spent doing outdoor cooking and fires, knots, first aid and games. There was also compass work and shelter and bridge building. The girls all enjoyed this outdoor weekend.

On Sunday 23rd September six girls attended a Division Day at Moree. This was a day where the girls could get together with other guides from our Division. There were around 35 guides there on the day which was a good turnout. The day was spent doing art and craft, card making and scarf painting as well as great fake injuries and first aid and some more work with ropes.

The girls are all looking forward to the school holidays and guides will have the two weeks off and resume again on Tuesday 16th October.

NEXT SUPPORT GROUP MEETING TUESDAY 16TH OCTOBER AT 6PM.

WE NEED PARENTS TO SUPPORT THESE MEETINGS SO PLEASE COME ALONG IF YOU CAN.

It is great to have such enthusiastic guides in our unit. We are really proud of the progress they are making.

Veronica Farragher Leader

Delungra Senior Citizens.

The October meeting will be held on the 18th. Bingo will be a 10 am start. Everyone welcome.

A trading table will operate at the October meeting. Anyone who would like to join us, we meet in the C.W.A. rooms, Burnett St.

For anyone going to the Christmas luncheon please ring Muriel on 67248474 before 5/11/07.

Jan Kohen. President.

A very shy guy goes into a bar and sees a beautiful woman sitting at the other end. After an hour of gathering up his courage he finally goes over to her and asks, tentatively, "Um, would you mind if I chatted with you for a while?" To which she responds by yelling, at the top of her lungs, "No, I won't sleep with you tonight!" By now, the entire bar is staring at them. Naturally, the guy is hopelessly and completely embarrassed and he slinks back to his table. After a few minutes, the woman walks over to him and apologizes. She smiles at him and says, "I'm sorry if I embarrassed you. You see, I'm a graduate student in psychology and I'm studying how people respond to embarrassing situations." To which he responds, at the top of his lungs, "What do you mean \$200!"

Graham Kent

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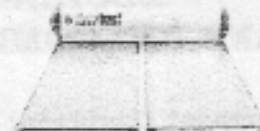
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4 th Fire Brigade Meeting
18 th Senior Citz Meeting
20 th Bowling Club-Green
Limousine
22 nd Ladies Bowl Meeting
27th & 28 th Collectors & Bottle
Show |
| November | 3 rd Catholic Ladies Fashion P'de
17 th Darren Clark Trio (Bowl Cl)
19 th Senior Citz Christmas lunch |
| December | 16 th Myall Creek Christmas
Celebrations |
| April 2008 | 29 th Billy J (Bowl Cl)
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**LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL
AND WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS TO THE DISTRICT.**

Phone Margaret Davidson: 67236455 or Joyce Partridge: 67236486 if you would like to help us make this a great family night.

More Ramblings from an Old Truckie.

About early 1966 the "wag up the street" (previously mentioned) came down and saw us about his son Jackie, who had finished school the previous year and was looking for a job to take him through to the time when he would join the Post Office, for which he had been accepted.

Jackie was a big strong likeable lad, and even though not old enough to have a license would be a big help as an offsider on the truck. So we put him on as what would be known now as a full time casual, which proved to be a good move as he turned out to be a willing worker and good company. Shortly after, Waltons sent us on a delivery to an address in Camperdown St, which consisted of four chrome beds and mattresses plus linen for same. Here I will digress for a moment and explain both Camperdown and Edinburgh Sts at the Jetty more or less meandered along parallel with each other overlooking the harbour and at that time both offered wonderful views of the Pacific Ocean. (Unfortunately we were probably too busy to appreciate this) We went to the Camperdown address but found no one at home, and with Waltons, unless previously arranged the goods were returned to the store. A few days later they again loaded us with this same delivery and informed us that the people had been in touch and had informed them to tell us to walk around the verandah knocking on doors as we came to them, and someone would eventually answer. There were numerous doors and each of us with a 3 ft mattress on our shoulders marched across the front and down one side and around to the back knocking on doors as we went. Suddenly a door that we had not yet knocked on opened and a very attractive young lady stepped out, obviously from the shower, with a towel over her shoulder and wearing a smile and absolutely nothing else. Myself, being an experienced senior operator (early 30's) took no notice!!!! and simply asked where they wanted the order placed. Jackie on the other hand dropped the mattress and stood there with mouth opened wide and a very red face. The young lady, with no adjustment to dress, told us to put everything on the back verandah and they would move them into position later, and then very casually walked to another doorway and

disappeared. We did as instructed and carried on with our deliveries.

The following New Year's Eve, we were at a party, among others attending was the manager of Mannerhans grocery store, a young single man in his late thirties. After supper, talk turned to funny incidents which had happened at work. I recounted the story told above, but said I couldn't remember if the address was Camperdown St or Edinburgh St. The manager of Mannerhans informed us that it was Camperdown St, and even nominated the number! This created quite a bit of hilarity and another red face!

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