



## COMMANDER HOLBROOK SCHOLARSHIP

This year, due to the Covid-19 restrictions and the impact on school events, the presentation of the Commander Holbrook RSL War Memorial Scholarship awards were made by the school Principals at an in-school event. Thank you, Mr Nathan Fisher from Holbrook Public School and Mrs Melanie Dusterhoft from St Patrick's School for presenting the awards on behalf of the Trustees.

In 1965 the scholarship was set up, the original capital provided by the Late Commander Norman D. Holbrook together with the Holbrook RSL sub-branch. Since then, many donations have been generously made by civic minded individuals and local organisations.

Key words in the Trust Deed that governs the purpose of the fund are: The promotion and encouragement of education of children in the Holbrook district. The principle being of assistance, not reward.

Total payments made annually, are sourced from the interest earned from the capital invested. The Trust does rely heavily on donations, which are gratefully received at any time and are tax deductible.

The scholarship is open to Year 6 students from the two schools in Holbrook. The students are encouraged to sit the tests, which includes papers in English, Mathematics, Science and Text Writing.

Fourteen students sat the test this year, ten from Holbrook Public and two from St. Patrick's.

Well done to all participating students on your fine efforts and conduct.

There are two scholarships, the major prize is worth \$3600 and the minor prize \$1200, which is spread across the first four years of high school. These payments are conditional on the students' continued academic progress, effort and application. The two annual Log Cabin encouragement awards were again presented to a student from each school.

The winner of the Major Award was Annabelle Bickley from St Patrick's School.

The winner of the Minor Award was Annabel Pincott from Holbrook Public School.

The two Encouragement Awards went Annie Triggs from Holbrook Public School and Neve Scholz from St Patrick's School.

Congratulations to these four students – the Commander Holbrook RSL War Memorial recipients for 2020.

A reminder to past recipients whose scholarships are ongoing to please forward their end of year school report to Mrs Judy Ross.



Holbrook Show Society & Holbrook Football / Netball Club  
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## Community Christmas Event - Sunday 20 December 2020 2.00pm - 7.30pm (approx.) at the Holbrook Racecourse

**FREE admission** (Covid-19 rules apply)

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and more....



# J&B's Gourmet Cafe



Jan, Brian & staff wish  
you all  
a very merry Christmas  
& a safe & happy New Year.  
Thank you for your  
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## CLOSED:

Christmas Day 25th December  
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Sunday 27th December  
Monday 28th December  
New Year's Day 1st January  
Saturday 2nd January  
Sunday 3rd January



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We will be open every other day  
as per normal trading hours except  
Christmas Eve & New Year's Eve 8.00—2.00pm



## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN HOLBROOK

- 2 Displays Wallace Street (Eastern End)
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- 2 Displays Murdoch Place
- 2 Displays Vine Street
- 1 Display Purtell Street
- 1 Display Fleet Street
- 1 Display Peel Street
- 1 Display Byng Street
- 1 Display Railway Parade
- 6 Displays on Young Street  
(Railway Parade to 67 Young Street, past the Pool)
- 1 Display Jingellic Road (1km out on the left)
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- 1 Display Prospect Street
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- 1 Display Croft Street
- 1 Display Ross Street
- 4 Displays Bardwell Street
- 1 Display McInnes Street

## HOLBROOK RETURNED SERVICEMEN'S CLUB LTD



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WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OVER  
A VERY CHALLENGING YEAR AND LOOK  
FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN THE NEW  
YEAR.



## CHRISTMAS TRADING HOURS:

- 24<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10.00am to 9.00pm  
(Lunch & Dinner)
- 25<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Day **Closed**
- 26<sup>th</sup> Dec - 1.00pm to 8.00pm  
(Dinner only)
- 27<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10.00am to 8.00pm  
(Lunch only)
- 28<sup>th</sup> Dec - 12.00pm to 6.00pm
- 29<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10.00am to 8.00pm
- 30<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10.00am to 9.00pm  
(Lunch & Dinner)
- 31<sup>st</sup> Dec - 10.00am to Late  
(Lunch & Dinner)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Jan - 12.00pm to 10.00pm  
(Dinner only)

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## Christmas craft at the library

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The Holbrook Library will close on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm and will re-open on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 11am.

Merry Christmas to everyone and a happy New Year.  
From all the staff at the library.



This is our last edition of the Holbrook Happenings for 2020.

We thank you all for your continued support in providing information and advertising.

The Happenings continues to be a well read publication in our community and this is due to those who support us with content and also our amazing volunteers.

The first issue for 2021 is the 20<sup>th</sup> January with the deadline being 15<sup>th</sup> January.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

From all of us at the Holbrook Library Complex.



## School holiday craft: Pom Pom Puppies

11am Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021

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## LADIES GOLF

On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November our Presentation Day was held at the RS Club. Champion winners were A Grade Chris Spokes - Scratch, Nett - Brooke Mathewson. B Grade Teresa Waters-Satch, Nett-Helen Morton. C Grade Jenni Papworth- Scratch, Marg Geddes -Nett. Special congratulations to Vicki Schuur for receiving the Inaugural Helen Morton trophy for Most Reduced Handicap. Congratulations to these ladies plus all other trophy winners.

Ladies Golf President Helen Morton was awarded Life Membership. Helen has an impressive record of success for herself and our club. She has been a tireless volunteer to all things golf and a marvellous president. Helen has been a Holbrook Golf Club member for 49 years. Congratulations Helen. Many thanks to our co-captains Liz Plunkett and Brooke Mathewson who made this season so enjoyable. Ladies golf in Holbrook went from strength to strength this year. New golfers are always welcome. See you in 2021! Have a happy safe Christmas everyone!



## Cancer Council's, Longest Day Fundraiser

On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Helen Morton and Liz Plunkett attempted to play 72 holes of golf in one day. An amazing effort! They took part in the Cancer Councils The Longest Day initiative raising funds for cancer research. Well done ladies and to all who took part in this marathon!

## MEN'S SHED

Well, got good news this week at the Men's Shed we have got final approval from the council to build our new shed down on the industrial estate. It's been over two years in the planning process but now we can make a start in the new year.

The guys at the shed have asked me to thank all of the local people that have supported us over the last year and wish them a very happy Christmas and New Year.

My mistake last week I thought this was our last week at the shed for the year, we actually finish up next Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December, until I think 13<sup>th</sup> January. *Rod Peters*

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## **ROTARY will launch a Women's "Learn English Friendship Group" 2021.**

English as a second language can be difficult when moving to a new community. Cultural separation from friends and family is very hard, let alone, trying to communicate and be understood in a new place where nobody speaks your native language. This is where the need to make new friends and form a new community is very important.

Women, in particular, benefit from friendships and sharing of their lives with other women. Often they feel isolated when their partner or family members are at work. Holbrook is an International Peace Community. We embrace cultural diversity and encourage each other in acceptance and extend a friendly hand to all who come to live here.

The Rotary Club of Holbrook will launch a Women's English friendship group early in 2021. Expressions of interest are sought from women who would like to enhance their English, reading and writing skills, through regular morning or afternoon tea gatherings.

Members of the community, teachers, both current and retired are encouraged to contact us to register their time in volunteering to assist with the group. Early gatherings will assess the needs and expectations of participants, to enable us to obtain the resources required.

Some suggestions are: filling out forms, reading books to children, understanding signage and labels or maybe learning how to drive. The key is friendship and getting together, no matter what dialect is spoken at home, the commonality will be English language.

For further details contact:



International Committee

Chair Kerry Morton – 0407 484 745

Email: [kerry.mort15@gmail.com](mailto:kerry.mort15@gmail.com)

## **COTTAGE GARDEN MARKET**

A small but very successful Country Garden Market was held in the beautiful relaxing surrounds of Wilma Black's garden on Saturday. Stall holders reported a very successful day & visitors had a great time enjoying the beautiful weather while browsing the markets which included handmade quilts & toys, soaps, candles, woodwork, personalised gifts & jewellery plus plants. The Devonshire tea by the Holbrook Woolpack Inn Museum gave people a chance to relax & catch up under the beautiful shady trees.

The day was such a success that plans are underway to hold another in March.

For an more information please contact Wilma - 0417 919 517

## HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

What a really wonderful way to celebrate the end of 2020! Our annual Presentation of Awards ceremony was an outstanding success, with all students displaying exemplary behaviour, good manners and happy smiles. Everyone showed how to win graciously, and the importance of having a positive mindset when things don't always turn out as expected. It was most gratifying to see everyone congratulating each other for their efforts. Unlike previous years, we were unable to invite our special guests and members of our community to be with us in person. However, up to 55 families joined us on Zoom, making it a very special occasion for everyone.

Our fantastic leaders, Annabel Pincott, Archie Swan, Georgie Barr-Smith and Klay Liddell, led our presentation with real flair and confidence. Year 6 then entertained with their chant.

Annabel Pincott won the minor Commander Holbrook Scholarship, and Annie Triggs received the Encouragement award.

All Kindergarten students received a book, to recognise their first year at school. A huge achievement, considering the difficulties experienced this year. Well done, to all recipients of awards, as we know that all our students strive to be the best they can be every day.

Congratulations to our new school leaders for 2021, Cooper Glass, Captain; Isaac Bennetts, Vice-Captain; Eli Toll and Jasmine Lieschke, Prefects. Our sport House and Vice-Captains are - Lawson, Nate Kenney and Tom Black; Mackellar, Georgie Cardile and Laycii Freund; Paterson, Ryder McKillop and Aiden Walmsley. It is very important to note, and acknowledge, the high quality of all the Year 5s nominated for these positions. All Year 5s will be very busy fulfilling the challenging roles presented to Year 6, next year.

## HOLBROOK MEN'S BOWLS

The annual Trevor Craig Invitation Triples Tournament was played on 28/29 November. Despite reduced entries because of you know what and hot and windy weather, the tournament was a success both financially and as an event. Many thanks go to those who contributed, too many to mention in this instance, but not the least, tournament director Peter Wornes. Following this item is a list of our sponsors, without whom the event would not be viable.

Last weekend the first round of the Club Pairs was completed with wins to Gav and Bol over Meikle and Steady, Wolfy and Bull over Dave G and Lodgey, Roscoe Smith and Wayno over Esme and Hibbo (by one shot after an extra end), Duck and Ross M over China and Marty W (another close contest) and Bob E and Chris Wally over Hamo and the fencer. After play, we had a barbecue and award presentation, the most notable of which was the Stephen Webb Trophy for the most improved bowler to our second oldest active bowler, Marty Walker. Also notable was the unanimous vote to welcome lady bowlers to Saturday Pennant.

Bowlers are reminded that Pennant for both grades commences on 9 January 2021. Please place your names on the availability list in the bowls office. Pennant practice will be on each Thursday (4.30pm or thereabouts) from now until the end of Pennant for those able to make it.



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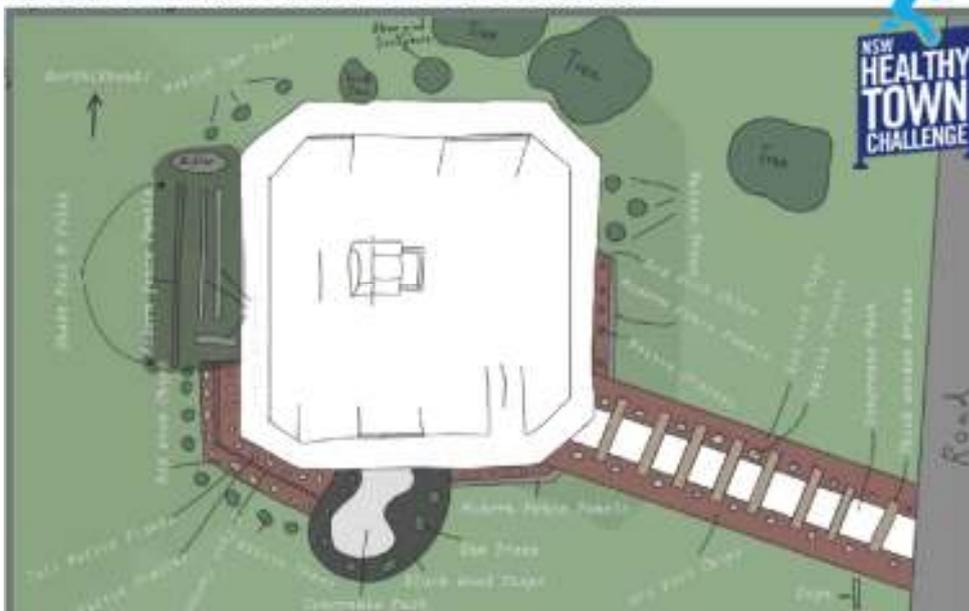
## PROBUS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

After a year of no meetings or activities we were able to have a Christmas Lunch on 24<sup>th</sup> November at the RS Club. 27 of our members enjoyed being together again and having a delicious traditional lunch with all the trimmings! Many thanks to the RS Club for making this possible. **Probus will begin again in 2021 with our first meeting on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January.** A week earlier than our usual last Tuesday due to that being Australia Day. Hope to see you all there plus anyone else who would care to join us. New members welcome.

## HOLBROOK SKATEPARK DESIGN COMPETITION WINNERS

The Holbrook Healthy Towns Committee in conjunction with Greater Hume Council, have finalised the Skatepark Design Competition. This competition was created to allow the Holbrook youth and community to design the landscape area around the Skatepark Bowl.

All the designs were displayed at the Holbrook Library for everyone to vote, and now after counting we are pleased to announce that a winner and runner-up have been decided.



Congratulations to Annabelle Bickley on creating the winning design! The design was very thought-out, it matched well with the existing bowl and would fulfil the needs of the Skatepark users. It was a very inclusive design that included considered access for all and was very nature and community conscious.

The runner-up design was community orientated with some very clever elements included to look after all ages within the community. Congratulations to Anabella Lindsay for her design. A formal congratulations for Annabelle and Anabella will take place next year where they will receive their prizes. Thank you to everyone who submitted an idea to the competition, they were all very impressive and it was great to see so many ideas submitted.



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**Holbrook Stores wish all their customers a Happy and Safe Holiday Season! Looking forward to serving you all, in the New Year!**

**Christmas Trading Hours**

Saturday, 19th December	9am to 4pm	XMAS DAY	CLOSED
Sunday, 20th December	9am to 4pm	Boxing Day	10am to 2pm
Monday, 21st December	9am to 6.30pm	Sunday, 27th December	10am to 3pm
Tuesday, 22nd December	9am to 6.30pm	Thursday, 31st December	9am to 6pm
Wednesday, 23rd December	9am to 6.30pm	NEW YEAR'S DAY	CLOSED
Thursday, 24th December	9am to 6pm	Saturday, 2nd January	9am to 4pm



**TRADING HOURS:** 9.00am-6.30pm Monday to Friday 9.00am -3.00pm Saturday 10.00am-3.00pm Sunday  
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## FROM THE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

As we come to the end of 2020, we often spend time looking back and reviewing the past year. For myself 2020 has been an interesting year as I arrive in Holbrook in mid-November 2019 and Christmas was at hand. The drought was biting, and still is, and then the fires happened, and then Covid-19. I was asked recently what I thought about living in Holbrook? and I had to say; "It is the best place I have ever lived!" Time does not allow for me to unpack this, but that is what I believe because, life is what you make it and life involves people, I like the people and being here in Holbrook.

I remember teaching one of my siblings to drive a car and they were only on the road when they crossed it, then I realized they were staring at the mirrors and looking at where they had been, not where they were going. I covered the mirrors and they go focused on where they were going not where they had been. It is often the same with our life and society as it can get focused on where we have been and not where we are going. I was taught that "what is past is past," so move on.

This Christmas is masked by the Covid-19 virus and I still use the Aldi ad, it is; "Good, Different." This is because life is what you make it. Christmas is about remembering the Birth of Jesus Christ, the Son of God who came to us to help us move forward into His Eternity. But, to get to Heaven you have to commit to driving your life Jesus' way and not looking back as Jesus is not really interested in where you have been, but where you are going. There is a "Cross Road" in life that requires us to make a "Right turn" and look forward to an Eternal Future with Jesus.

The past, present and future belong to God who gives us our "history," which is "His-Story," i.e. God's story, which includes us. So, ask Jesus to help you to make "Right turns at Cross roads of life," and move into a future with Him. We wish you a Holy Christmas and a blessed New Year with you making all "Right" turns for your future.

*The Anglican Christmas service are as follows.*

**Christmas Eve:** 5pm at Cookardinia Church.  
7:30pm at St Marks church Woomargama.

**Christmas Day:** 9:00am at St Pauls' Church Holbrook.

The Op-shop will be closed on December 24<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on January 4<sup>th</sup>. Please do not bring goods to the shop during this time. Thank you for your support and contributions for 2020.

Best wishes from all the folk at Anglican Church and Rev Stephen Davis 0429 845 525.



## ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Some students presented a nativity to the parish and community members which went brilliantly in the sunshine.

### Student Leaders for 2021

*School Captain*-Dominic Valena

*Vice Captain*-Charlie Mackinlay

*Joseph House Captain*-Gwendoline Durdin Paul

*Carroll House Captain*-Chloe Fuller

*Mission Leaders*-Isla Forrest & Charlie Clarke

Melanie looks forward to working with these students next year to develop their leadership skills. An induction, retreat and reflection excursion will be the first step in this process. This is also where the students will design their leavers shirt.

**Awards Ceremony:** Congratulations to this year's award recipients.

*Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Priest Award*-  
Charlie Mackinlay & Raphael Shaw

*Principal's Award*-Alex Power

*Rotary Leadership Award*-Neve Scholz

*Justin Clancy Citizenship Award*-Dominic Valena

*Billabong HS SRC Award*-Cooper Bower

*Certificate of Religious Education-*

ES1/S1-Charlotte Smith

S2-Ryan Smith

S3-Hiku Durdin Paul

*Certificate of Achievement-*

ES1/S1-Matilda Wailes

S2-Alana Scholz

S3-John Pyers

*Certificate of Academic Achievement-*

S2-Jessica Hulme

S3-Annabelle Bickley

*Certificate of Attendance-*

ES1/S1-Logan McCarthy

S2-Tyla Kelly

S3-John Pyers

Special congratulations goes to Annabelle Bickley, winner of the Commander Holbrook Major Award; and Neve Scholz, winner of the Commander Holbrook Encouragement Award.

**2021 Year:** Staff commence the new teaching year on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January and all students will commence on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021.

St Patrick's School staff, students and families wish you an abundance of hope, joy, peace and love.

## Home Maintenance

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## HOLBROOK LANDCARE

If you are new to town, or the district, and are interested in finding out a bit more about Holbrook Landcare, why not take the time to call in to the office and find out?

Our office is easy to find - we are next door to the bakery. We are open most days, but don't be put off if the door is shut. You may have just called on a day when staff happened to be out of the office.

Holbrook Landcare has projects which cover a wide range of different fields, from agricultural trials and dung beetles through to bush walks and bird watching.

Our website ([www.holbrooklandcare.org.au](http://www.holbrooklandcare.org.au)) provides access to numerous fact sheets and information on revegetation, biodiversity, soil programs, agricultural topics and weather station and soil moisture probe data from across the local district, etc.

Holbrook Landcare membership includes a regular newsletter, so that you don't miss out on finding out about an upcoming webinar or event, and a range of small equipment items, such as soil or fodder testing tools, tree planters and wildlife cameras are available for loan.

We will be closing the office from Christmas Eve through until 4 January 2021.

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## GREATER HUME'S AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Tuesday, 26 January 2021 at Walbundrie Recreation Ground, Walbundrie  
8 am for Breakfast, 9 am Official Ceremony commences.  
This is a FREE event.

The Australia Day celebrations include the Australia Day Breakfast, Australia Day Ambassador's address, presentation of Citizen, Young Citizen, Sports Person/Team, Sports Volunteer and Community Event of the Year and presentation of School Citizenship Awards.

Plenty of shade will be provided. Please bring chair, rug, sunscreen, hat and insect repellent.

### Activities after Australia Day ceremony until 4pm.

- Steve Bowen MC/DJ Entertainer will be on hand providing non stop entertainment.
- Food, coffee and delectable delights.
- Family fun including face painting and games.
- Why take a look around the old schoolhouse (no entry permitted).
- Tennis courts will be open for a social hit of tennis.
- Pack the footy or netball to have a kick or bounce with your mates.

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**LADIES BOWLS** Roll up, roll up, rollup. Greetings to everybody from the ladies at Holbrook bowls. Today I would like to recap on our year of bowling 2020.

Holbrook participated in all District categories this year with success in our Team Fours and Singles. We also played in what our district calls the Barbara Leddin Challenge, which is basically the same format as pennant, but standing alone from the State Body. We had some wins and some very competitive losses considering that we just scraped through with numbers of players needed to participate each week. Even though our teams were somewhat interchangeable, we all managed to put our best efforts forward and support one and other, getting a team together from week to week. Well done ladies. Thank you to all who filled in at our time of need.

In late March bowling was put on hold for quite some time due to Covid virus. Thankfully all of our members and friends were all safe. When we got the go ahead after a long break, we decided to get things back on track and play our club games and play social bowls through what is normally our Winter break. I'm happy to say that our club games were all completed for our year, and we continued to play social bowls on a Wednesday until our Xmas breakup and Presentation Luncheon on 16<sup>th</sup> December.

This year has also been very scarce for Annual Tournaments, as our district clubs all had to cancel their tournaments. Holbrook was the only club to hold our (newly named) Marjorie Winnett Invitation Pairs Tournament for the year, it was a great success and was enjoyed by all who played. Our District also ended up putting on a Xmas theme tournament which was played at Henty on 1<sup>st</sup> December. As per usual Henty Ladies Bowls were absolutely wonderful hosts (as we all are in the country). It was a great day for everyone to get together, play some bowls, have a lovely meal, and great to catch up with other members from other clubs as well.

Holbrook put in two teams on the day. It was a wonderful to see some Xmas spirit and Chrissy shirts, hats and all sorts of accessories worn on the day.



At this point on behalf of the Holbrook Ladies bowlers, I would like to extend a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year for

2021 and we will be returning to social bowls in mid-January. Just a reminder to any ladies out there who would like to try out Lawn Bowls, please don't hesitate or be shy, do come and have a go. Thanks.

Talk about capturing a wonderful moment. On 9<sup>th</sup> December, whilst playing social bowls, two of our eldest members, Ailsa Murdoch and Marj Winnett, enjoyed rolling a few ends together on the next rink. Just goes to show that you are never too old to play lawn bowls (or too young).



The old saying goes if you don't use it you lose it. All jokes aside these ladies still come to bowls most Wednesdays, whether it be to have a roll up or just to watch and still be involved, I think that's pretty awesome.

**Presentation for our Junior Cricketers**

Finally the opportunity became available to award last season's achievements. President Billy Heriot paid tribute to all involved and spoke favourably about our junior members with 2 full teams and the strength of the Holbrook Cricket Club.

*Gold Team Awards – Coach Robert Matthewson*  
Batting: Ned Harrison. Bowling: Nick Robards. Fielding: Liam Matthewson.

Coach's Awards:

- Ryder McKillop.
- Most Improved: Izzac Bennetts



*Green Team – Coach Lawson Gulliver*

Batting: Wil Jenkyn. Bowling: Jim Henry. Fielding: Rory Gulliver.

Coach's Award:

- Oscar Preston.
- Most Improved: Hamish Livermore



**2020 - 2021 Season** is well

under way with success coming for both teams last Saturday. Gold Team def Osborne 119 runs to 103 runs. *Awards:* Batting: Izzac Bennetts. Fielding: Jye Livermore. All round effort: Elijah Toll. Green Team defeated Culcairn 202 runs to 152 runs. *Awards:* Batting: Jack Pitzen. Fielding: Archie Swan. Bowling: Tom Parker.

Thank you to our sponsors, Woomargama Hotel for providing the weekly awards.

## TENNIS

The tennis season is at its Harvest break and the first round of matches after the break will be played on January 16 with Sect 1 having the bye.

Sect 2 Gold also have the bye and Sect 2 Green host Culcairn. In Sect 3 Holbrook journey to Jindera. Sect 5 are also at Jindera and the Sect 6 kids play at Pleasant Hills.

On the ladders prior to the Dec 12 matches Sect 1 were ½ a game off top spot with Burrumbuttock holding the mantle there on 28 pts, Holbrook 26 pts followed by Jindera on 22 and Bungowannah on 14 pts equal with Howlong on 14 pts. In Sect 2 Holbrook Green are currently 5<sup>th</sup> on 18 pts – 4pts adrift of third spot of Walla Nth Walla. Culcairn are also on 22 pts. Holbrook Green head 3 teams on 18 pts followed by another 2 teams on 16 pts so it's a bit of a log jam here. Holbrook Gold are yet to post an on-court win but just need a full strength to get amongst the points. Sect 3 sit in 4<sup>th</sup> spot on 20 pts – Culcairn are on 28 pts followed by Bungowannah on 22 and Pleasant Hills also 22 pts. The team needs to win to put bit of a gap to the next team in Jindera on 14 pts. Sect 5 are hanging in there on 14 pts in 6<sup>th</sup> spot, but just 1 win shy of Culcairn who are in 4<sup>th</sup> on 18 pts. Sect 6 kids are also still in with a chance to play finals but will need some luck from here on, they have 14 pts in 11<sup>th</sup> spot with 4<sup>th</sup> spot of Gerogery West Purple on 22 pts.

Annual subs should have been paid by now and captains will be following up.

The courts will be available over the Christmas break but please let Emma know when using due to Covid information still being in force.

The Wednesday evening hit is a good way to get into shape before and after the Festive season so come along and enjoy.

The last couple of weekends have seen hot weather cancel to the play followed by wet weather 2 weeks after – climate change ??? Don't forget the first round of matches after the break is on Saturday 16 January 2021 – Merry Christmas

## HISTORY QUIZ

**Who am I?** I played my 300<sup>th</sup> match for Holbrook Football Club on 1 June 1996. **Answer:** Cameron Jones, in the match Holbrook soundly defeated Tallangatta 18-13 [121] to 9-21 [75]

**New Quiz:** Recently I was mentioned on the radio. I was almost the first Australian to receive the VC. I was born at Singleton in 1876, served in the Boer War, joined the Police Force and was stationed at Holbrook from 1918 to 1924. I died in 1955 at Corowa. Who am I?

## MEN'S GOLF

### 3 December Dad's Army 9 hole event

Winner - Lawrie Ryan, R/up Trevor Britton, 3<sup>rd</sup> Alan Buchanan. NTP 10<sup>th</sup> T. Castles, 14<sup>th</sup> T. Castles, 16<sup>th</sup> M. Smith.

10 December Dad's Army 9 hole event: Winner - Alan Atherton, R/up Jim Corrigan, 3<sup>rd</sup> J. Mcmaugh.

**Veterans 18 hole event:** Winner - Alan Atherton, R/up John McMaugh. NTP 3<sup>rd</sup> Lawrie Ryan, 10<sup>th</sup> Tony Castles, 14<sup>th</sup> Tony Castles, 16<sup>th</sup> Alan Atherton. Eagle 2<sup>nd</sup> Phil Spokes.

Remember that the **9 hole Twilight Golf** is on every Friday evening. Hit-off any time after 4pm. Cards in by 8-30pm. The Holbrook Butcher is sponsoring this event to the tune of a \$25 voucher every week. The R.S. Club is sponsoring the runner-up prize to the tune of \$15 in club vouchers.

The unusual season that we have had to endure this past year has seen a few of our main events not being played for. Here is a rundown of the winners and runners up of those that did go ahead. *Bunyan Trophy* winner - Trevor Britton.

*Kane Cup*, sponsored by Andrew and Kim Kane, won by Matt Toll, R/up Tony Castles.

*Jessie Broadribb Trophy* winner - Jade Rangi.

*Rollie Phillis Trophy* winner Jade Rangi.

*C Grade Scratch* winner Jim Ross.

*C Grade Handicap* winner Matt Toll.

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*A Grade Scratch* winner Gordon Webb.

*A Grade Handicap* winner Gordon Webb.

*Hollyrocks Most Consistent Handicap Player of the Year* - Jim Ross.

*Lieschke Motors Mixed Canadian Foursomes*

winners Chris Spokes & Trevor Britton. R/up Teresa Waters & Greg Gibbs.

Mini pennant has only one round to go this year. The Hills Pennant will kick off on 3<sup>rd</sup> January. Mini-pennant will return in February.

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### December 2020

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Sun 20 **Anglican Church Service Holb 9.30am**  
~~Carols By Candlelight (Cancelled)~~  
**Community Christmas Party from 2pm @ racecourse**  
Thu 24 Anglican Church Cookardinia service 5pm  
**Woomargama Church service 7:30pm**  
Catholic Christmas Mass Holbrook 6.30pm  
School under COLA (bringown chair) with Fr Thomas  
Fri 25 (Christmas Day) Holbrook service 9:00am  
Sun 27 **Anglican Church Service Holb 9.30am**  
Thu 31 Holbrook Lions Club Citizen of Year nominations close

### January 2021

- Sun 3 **Hills Pennant Golf commences**  
Sat 9 Men's Pennant Bowls recommences  
Thu 14 **Pom Pom Puppies, Holiday Craft 11am**

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We wish to advise that we will be closed all Public Holidays and open for reduced hours of 9.30am to 1.00pm from 24<sup>th</sup> December.

Resuming normal hours Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish the staff and our very generous sponsors including the Holbrook Bakery, Holbrook RS Club, Holbrook Paddock Eggs, Holbrook Rotary, Holbrook Lions and NEOEN a very Merry Christmas and Happy 2021.

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