

HOLBROOK HAPPENINGS

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Greater Hume Citizen of the Year - Murray Jones

In 2020 Murray took in 150 head of cattle and four different peoples' horses during the bushfires, delivered the last of the Holbrook Rotary hay to fire victims at Batlow, worked around Covid 19 distancing and associated restrictions at the Jingellic Hub to assist fire affected people and assisted with a grant application for a sculpture at their showground entrance.

Murray's contribution during this time is revealing of his caring attitude towards our rural communities and their people.

Murray has been involved in many events and community service in Holbrook and further afield and has fostered many community projects. Well known for his love of all things motorcycle, Murray has had strong involvement in areas of youth, sport, motorcycles, bushfires, and Rotary.

He was part of the committee that built the extension to the Holbrook Pre-School, Cub leader in Holbrook for over 10 years, and instigated and ran Kanga Cricket (with Peter Hogan). Murray is involved in the Holbrook Motorcycle Sports Club (life member) and developed the successful Riverina Interclub series covering disciplines of Dirt track, Motorcross, and Enduro, involving clubs from areas of the Riverina and beyond and is the driving force behind the Cookardinia Vinduro event. Murray received an award from the Motorcycling NSW for services to the motorcycling community. Murray organised a trail ride to raise funds for a Holbrook Bike Club member who is a tetraplegic, at Talbingo raising \$8000.

In 2019 Murray was recognised with an award for 40 years of service with the Rural Fire Service. He is a committee member of the Holbrook Football club, the Holbrook Boating and Angling Club, the Billabong Native Fish Restocking Group.

As the Rotary Club of Holbrook's Community Service Director, he initiated the white good and waste pick-up in Holbrook in 2018 and 2019. He assisted to build a chook yard for residents of the Holbrook Aged Care hostel, co-ordinated the painting and maintenance of the pergola at the Harry Jarvis Wing of the Holbrook Hospital and undertook dismantling a shed for a bereaved resident. He is always available to help at Rotary's many catering events and wields a mean pair of tongs over the barbecue plates.

Murray is strongly supported by his family who are often part of the organising team or workforce for his various projects.

In 2020 he was presented with Rotary International's Paul Harris Fellow for his terrific community work at the Holbrook Club. In the past 2 years he has organised some adventure 4- wheel drive days around the Upper Murray and Woomargama National Forest and on Australia Day 2021 he organised a fundraising Poker Run for bikes and cars starting and finishing at Holbrook.



Holbrook Lions Club Citizen of the Year - Margot Pitzen

Margot is well known as an active community minded person. As a real estate agent, she is one of the first to welcome new residents to the Holbrook region. Her ability to multi-task is apparent with the many different caps she wears. This mum of three spent a number of years in the Lions Club, actively involved in the P&C at Holbrook Public School, a Phys Ed Teacher & Fitness Trainer. Often giving her time freely to support people to reach fitness goals & improve their quality of life. Margot has mentored several up & coming fitness trainers in our community, willingly supporting them with her extensive knowledge as they gain their qualifications. With voluntary roles on raceday, MC'ing charity events, pre-season training sessions & co-ordinating donations for those in need. During the 2020 fires, Margot was instrumental in helping co-ordinate a team of people catering for fire fighters. Always there to assist with the Triathlon, but recently stepping into the main role, we know George would be grateful to see the Holbrook Triathlon continue on. But if you're looking for her, you'll probably find her at the pool. She simply says "The most important thing is that kids have the opportunity to learn to swim, and parents take it."

Margot is an extremely generous person who is always willing to drop everything to help others. Whether it is delivering food, flowers or support for those going through difficult times. She does many things for many people that most of us don't know about.

At community events she is generally volunteering somewhere. There is always time for others in Margot's world. She is a great community person who is generally at the forefront giving to individuals and the community in general. If you ask her about an idea or something that needs to be done her answer is always, **"We can make that happen"**.

Margot responded humbly and concluded by saying "Volunteering your time in a small community is necessary & satisfying, but volunteering your skills gives you opportunity to change the way people think & behave by inspiring them & persuading them to consider something they've never considered before."

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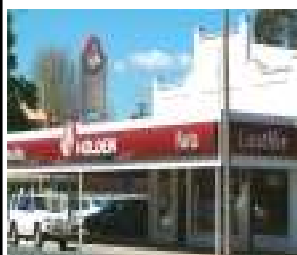
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Tutoring will commence for 2021 at the Holbrook Library from 16th February. Places are limited. Phone, email or pop in to enquire or make a booking.



Mums and Dads avoid the stress of homework. Let your children join us at Homework from Tuesday 16th February. For Year 3 and up

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NEWSPAPERS ARE BACK

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we have been unable to have newspapers at the library.

Don't forget we have a great range of magazines borrow. Choose from Country Style, Women's Weekly, Earth Garden and Choice magazines.



Computer driving tests available at the library. Driver Knowledge Test and Hazard Perception Test. Bookings essential

HOLBROOK LANDCARE

Holbrook Landcare welcomes Dr. Alison Southwell as our new Executive Officer from this week. Many may already know Alison, who has most recently been lecturing in Agricultural Science at Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga.



Alison was raised on the family farm and after graduating from the University of New England with BRurSc (Hons), undertook a PhD investigating the soil water dynamics beneath native pasture communities. She joined the staff of CSU in 2007, as a lecturer and had a major role in redesigning the Bachelor of Agricultural Science degree and developing the fourth year. She has been site leader for the Future Farm Industries CRC National Evergraze project for the Wagga Wagga region and has also managed farm systems/extension projects and PhD students locally and internationally. Her research interests include the eco-physiology of perennial pastures and grazing and farming systems management. In addition to her academic role, Alison operates a Merino sheep enterprise near Mangoplah.

FUNDRAISING SWIM CHALLENGE

Hope Mackinlay along with her good friend & swimming buddy Margot Pitzen, has committed to the Laps for Life challenge. This cause is close to the heart for both ladies and the challenge encourages people of all ages and abilities to "get in the water this March and make a splash to help young people experiencing mental health issues." Competitors choose a lane, set their personal goal, log their laps and track their progress throughout the month from any location across Australia. Hope & Margot have opted for the Advanced Swim which is 20kms. Due to the Holbrook pool only being open for half of the month of March these dedicated women will have half the time to complete their swim! A number of Holbrook Swimming Club members have offered to swim alongside Hope and Margot as they aim to average 2km p/day to reach their goal. You can donate by going to www.lapsforlife.com.au/fundraisers/hopeandmargot or contact Hope: 0413 830 466. Alternatively if you would like to get involved visit <https://www.lapsforlife.com.au>



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HISTORY QUIZ

Previous Who am I? I was born in Urana and won Holbrook's Citizen of the Year in 1992. **Answer:** Roma Lampe

Quiz: Who am I? I spent 20 years in Holbrook working with the Holbrook Shire Council, am an ex member of Holbrook Apex, a founding member of the Holbrook Rotary Club and was made a Paul Harris Fellow.

HOLBROOK LIONS CLUB AUSTRALIA DAY CEREMONY

This event was moved to the Shire Hall because of the weather and was well attended with over 60 attending, including some young families, which was great to see.

Lion's Gail Chynoweth was the MC for the morning. Thank you to John Keogh for his prayer to Australia, David Hocking for reading a story by Julia Mathie about a Holbrook Veteran. Russell Parker gave us an update on the Sporting Complex upgrades. Thank you to James Bartels-Waller for assisting with the sound and Colin Strong for helping with the flag.

Congratulations to Sporting Complex Senior Award winner Corey McCarthy and Junior winner Claudia Hocking which was sponsored by the Holbrook Agency of the Bendigo Bank.

The Lions Holbrook Citizen of the Year is awarded for ongoing volunteering and community spirit and this year's recipient Margot Pitzen exemplifies this. Congratulations Margot.

Guests enjoyed refreshments after the service provided by the Lions Club.



*Top: Margaret Geddes (Holbrook Rotary), Margot Pitzen & Elizabeth Maclean (Holbrook Lions)
Below: Russell Parker (Holbrook Sporting Complex) with Claudia Hocking*



DANIEL HAWKINS — GREATER HUME COUNCIL JUNIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Daniel showed many good qualities during the Green Valley Bushfire near Albury in early 2020. The crews had various spot fires jump containment lines at around 10pm on the Cockatoo Trail in the Woomargama National Park. Daniel reluctantly left the Group Captain at the spot over and drove



Daniel with Australia Day Ambassador, Anupam Sharma

along the fire line in a Cat 9 to go and retrieve the new crews and direct them to where they were needed. During his time in the RFS he has learnt the priceless value of human life and the pain when it is lost and to give compassion where it is needed. Daniel's good communication skills were shown on the second day of the Green Valley fire, he was regularly on the radio to Firecom giving them hourly weather reports, when the Group Captain was otherwise occupied. He also provided situation reports of the fires activity when the fire broke out. With crews assisting from around Australia co-operation was needed even though he hadn't worked with these crews before.

He has the qualities of commitment, reliability, open mindedness, positivity and optimism. Daniel used his problem solving skills at the build a bridge and get over it program at the Borambola Sport and Recreation Facility. The program is funded by REROC and the local councils and gives potential civil engineers the opportunity in high school to attend the camp and build a model bridge using craft items on a piece of cardboard. Daniel has always been one that enjoys serving the community to the best of his ability. Daniel has been a member of the Rural Fire Service since he was 12. He has volunteered on behalf of Billabong High School for the Culcairn Aged Care Home, Culcairn Primary School and Culcairn Pre-school. He has played football for the Holbrook Football Club and B-grade cricket for the Holbrook Cricket Club and is a junior player at the Rosewood Cricket Club. When his mum was a member of the Country Women's Association he would help at bull and clearing sales with catering. Daniel currently works at Holbrook IGA as a shop assistant and is fairly well known amongst its customers

PROBUS

On Tuesday 19th January at the RS Club Probus was able to hold its first meeting since February 2020. It felt great to be able to meet and greet old friends, chat and share experiences.

Many thanks to Chris and the RS Club for making this possible.

Some changes to our format were discussed and it has been decided to hold our meetings at 11:00am on the last Tuesday of the month. After our guest speaker we'll then have lunch which the Club will kindly open the dining room for us. We are not able to have morning tea but can buy tea, coffee or cold drinks from the bar.

Thank you to Isabel Fealy, our guest speaker, who told us of her long career as a nurse dating back to the 50s. She emphasized the enormous changes to the profession. Isabel totally loved her career.

Next meeting: Tuesday 23rd February 11:00 am at the RS Club.

Please join us if you can. All welcome.

MEN'S SHED

Hi from the shed. We should see some work begin on our block in the next week or two. The guys from the Shed Company tell us that they will be doing the marking out for the slab to be laid. We are doing mostly our own projects at the moment, with one small project for the hospital fixing up some garden seats.

ANGLICAN HARVEST FESTIVAL NEWS

SAVE THE DATE: 7TH MARCH 2021

Finally we are back to some semblance of normality and can go ahead with the Anglican Harvest Festival which was postponed when Covid-19 was declared a pandemic.

Our harvest festival reminds us that we must always be thankful for all the blessings we are given on a daily basis. This is a day when we thank God for the gifts of the soil and on from that, the gifts of the kitchen.

After a church service of thanksgiving, we take the produce to the Church hall and buy back what we have donated at outrageous prices at an auction.

This is not restricted to parishioners, but is an invitation to the Holbrook community to join in the celebrations and not be afraid to come to church.

We welcome conversation and would be happy to receive donations of fresh produce or things made in the kitchen. Everyone is invited particularly on the day, but if you can't make it but want to donate a nice relish etc., please see a parishioner or bring it to the Church.

Watch this space for more news.

ANGLICAN NEWS

Everyone has faith, but what is faith? St Paul wrote in the Book of Hebrews chapter 11, verse 1, that; "*Faith is believing that something is real, and that you have it, even though it has not arrived yet.*" Faith is like ordering something on line, or ordering your groceries to be home delivered. "*You ordered the groceries, you believe that they are on their way, but they have not arrived yet.*" Faith requires you to believe and trust in people to do the right thing, e.g., that when you turn the water tap on water will come out.

I enjoy having discussions about God. For example, people often say to me, "*I do not believe in God, or that I am an agnostic.*" Faith and belief go together like the cracker and cheese ad on TV says, "You can't have one without the other." An atheist believes, that they do not believe in God, and I think that take a lot of faith? An agnostic hopes there is a god, but would not recognize that god if they met it, that also takes a lot of faith.

During February on Mondays from 3pm at the Anglican Hall in Young St there will be a "Why God" discussion time being held and it is open to everyone. The agenda is, bring God questions to explore. I believe that understanding what we believe and have faith in needs to be explored. E.g., around my table on Christmas Day there was a Buddhist from Nepal, an atheist from China, an agnostic from Australia, and three Christians, and food from all our countries. Our faith and beliefs may be different but they are important, therefore bring your questions and let us discover what belief and faith are about.

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

NOTES FROM SPECIAL GREATER HUME COUNCIL MEETING - 27 January

Resolved [Hicks/Quinn] That:

The tender submitted by Longford Civil Pty Ltd for tender TL14 Croft Street kerb and channel for \$265,000.00 (excl. GST) be accepted.

Resolved [Schilg/Hicks] That:

1. Council commence transitioning the Culcairn Early Childcare Centre into Greater Hume Children Service's existing operations, subject to the completion of due diligence processes and the development of a financially sustainable operating model.

2. At the conclusion of the required due diligence processes, a further report be presented to the April 2021 meeting of Council providing further detail in relation to key operational parameters and projected financial outcomes.

AUSSIE FLAVOUR ON ROTARY AUSTRALIA DAY RIDE

Drivers in their vintage vehicles and classics, and motor bike riders enjoyed the sweeping bends and hilly terrain of the Upper Murray as they left Holbrook and headed for Tumbarumba via Jingellic and Tumbarumba road for the Rotary Club of Holbrook's Poker Run on Australia Day.

Holbrook co-ordinator Murray Jones said, "it started off well because it wasn't 40 degrees and we managed to dodge the rain. It was a fascinating run through the hills – lovely sweeping bends on the Carradale and Westbrook roads, with burnt out terrain on one side and green landscapes and regeneration on the other."

"It was a lot of fun for the 61 entries that included eight cars and motor bikes," his partner and co-rider Debbie Jones added.

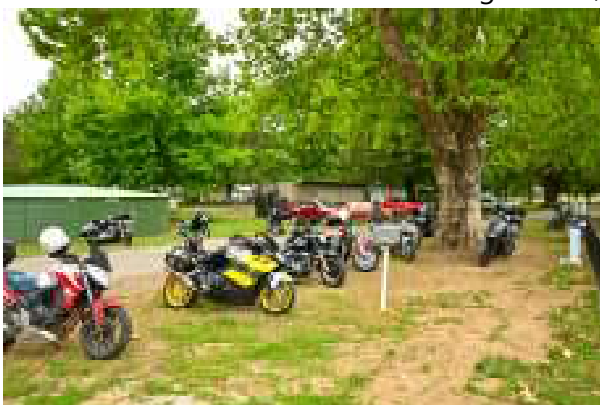
There was much conviviality as the participants all met for morning tea at Tumbarumba Showground provided by the Rotary Club of Tumbarumba, feasting on fantastic lamingtons from the Tumbarumba bakery. Then on to Tarcutta where members of the RSL Board provided a typical Aussie barbecue; sausages and rissoles with a large selection of salads – full plates that soon disappeared along with lots of chatter and laughs.

As clouds gathered, they took off for the Mangoplah Pub where Saos with lashings of vegemite and cheese, and tomatoes and cheese were scoffed down with refreshments. "Saos were a great hit, nothing left on the plates," Murray said pragmatically.

One young rider who was speeding was sent home by police.

Great feedback: while everyone was a winner on the day from a social and friendship perspective, prizes were won by Carol Heather (best hand), second best Carmen Lovell, third best Murray, and worst hand Annabelle Bickley. Raffle winners were Brian Bettle, Paul Lambeth, Bert Adams and Carol Heather.

For further adventures, watch this space.



Enjoying the shade at Tumbarumba



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PLANT PICK PLATE

Summer is the season of the Barbeque. There is nothing better than relaxing in the warm evenings with a glass of wine while HE does the cooking. Like so many other pursuits in life, if you learn it you will be expected to do it. I am thinking back here specifically to shearing, crutching and chainsawing all of which I refused to even try. I am perfectly happy to let the BBQ be the domain of the male.



Even more enjoyable is to harvest the vegetables from your garden then cook whatever you have. So fresh and flavoursome.

My garden has a bounty of varied produce at present. Carrot, zucchini and egg plant can be sliced lengthwise. A capsicum can be quartered, seeds removed, while sweet corn cobs char beautifully whole. Halved large tomatoes seasoned with chopped fresh basil and black pepper can be placed on the grill towards the end of cooking along with the delightful baby cos lettuce cut in half lengthwise, drizzled with olive oil and charred flat side down until just warm. So good.

Accompany all these delicious vegetables with your favourite meat, or not, for an appetising meal. I prepare a sauce to drizzle over using my home made chilli infused passata sauce to which I add a dash of Worcestershire sauce, a little sugar and a squirt of lemon or lime for zing. Of course cheese is always a great accompaniment to vegetables. Crumbled fetta or shaved parmesian dispersed on top provides a salty contrast then chopped spring onion for crunch.

Picture, I, relaxing back, feet up with a glass in my hand enjoying the summer evening (swatting the flies) while HE the BBQ king cooks. I would have it no other way.

Passionate Gardener, June.



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DINNER: WEDNESDAY—SATURDAY

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HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Happy New Year, Holbrook! I hope an enjoyable, safe and relaxing festive break has been enjoyed by you all. It was wonderful to welcome students and staff back to school on Friday 29 January, with an overwhelmingly positive vibe being noted by all. We have 24 outstanding staff working at Holbrook Public School this year, and it was great to have most of them present for our two staff development days prior to students returning. A series of professional learning and organisational activities were held, including sessions on our situational analysis and new school plan (2021-2024), our school's core values, and our new wellbeing programs, Smiling Mind and Bluearth. A big welcome to our new staff, Felicity Morgan (teacher), Tanya-Lee Slater (relieving School Administration Manager), and Elise Cheadle (teacher), and welcome back to Jessica Trethowan who has been on maternity leave.

Congratulations to Abby Pincott and Justin Nisbet who have both been offered positions in the first Year 5 virtual Opportunity Class for rural, regional and remote students. Their 'home school' will continue to be Holbrook Public School, however, they will have a co-enrolment with Aurora College, who will deliver all of their mathematics, science and technology lessons virtually. This is an excellent new opportunity for these students, our school and the Holbrook community.



It was terrific to get news from the NSW State Government during the holidays, advising that we had received a \$5000 Sustainable Garden grant. This money will go towards creating an edible garden space with a chicken run and worm farms. We look forward to a wonderful 2021 and welcoming our Kindergarten students on Wednesday, 3 February.

CULCAIRN COMMUNITY FAREWELLS

DR REDDY

The Culcairn Community will be gathering to thank Dr Jan Reddy and to wish him well in his retirement, after many years of service to the town. The Community Farewell will take place at the Culcairn Sportsground on Sunday 28 March from 12 noon and people are asked to bring along their own "thank you" posters or banners. Further information will be made available through the Culcairn Oasis.



What a remarkably different start to school this year than last year. Last year we sweltered through a heatwave and this year we have been blessed with a cooler change and quite a bit of rain to boot.

St. Patrick's school students attended assessment interviews on Thursday which allowed them to meet their teachers and gave parents an opportunity to access our new uniform shop, providing a one stop shop for our parents. Thanks to our uniform committee for sourcing affordable, good quality uniforms for our families.

Our school has remained a hive of activity over the holidays as the administration building was emptied, a building site established and demolition works carried out. It is very exciting to think in 6 months our administration space will match our modern and flexible learning environments.

Judith Jones will retire after providing 35 years of service to the St. Patrick's School community. We will celebrate her retirement on Thursday 4th February, 10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church followed by a morning tea. All are welcome to join us to celebrate Judy's contribution to Catholic Education in Holbrook.



This year we welcome back Mr John Carey, Stage 3 classroom teacher, and new staff Miss Rhiannon Dally, ES1/S1 classroom teacher and Mrs Sharon McCarthy to the role of Student Administration Officer.

Returning teaching staff include Mrs Geraldine Hocking, Mrs Leeah Scholz, Ms Kate Madden, and Mr Darren Wighton and Teacher's Aides Mrs Hope Mackinlay and Mrs Laura Melbourne.

We are all very excited for what the 2021 school year will bring and look forward to sharing our journey with you, the Holbrook community.



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LADIES' BOWLS

Roll Up, Roll Up, Roll Up. A Happy New Year to all from the ladies at Holbrook Bowls.

Wednesday 13th January was our first day back for season 2021. We had a small group to play social bowls and enjoyed being on the greens after the Xmas break.

We welcomed Andrea (Pam Seymour's granddaughter) joining in with us "oldies" whilst being on school holidays, and I'm sure Andrea had a good time because she came back the next week. Glad to have you join us anytime.

I would like to welcome Gail Geddes to our fold as an intending member and player, hope to see you up and running and out of the Moon Boot soon.

Our sport of Lawn Bowls is currently undergoing unification between Men and Women. Our Men's Bowling Club have taken the opportunity to invite and include our women to bowl in what is normally considered uniquely men's events. Some of the women have already taken the opportunity to participate and have found it extremely enjoyable and felt very welcomed.

On behalf of Holbrook Women's Bowls we would like to congratulate Bull, Wolfie, Gavin and Chris for winning the District Fours and wish them success in their next play off matches.

This year due to the decline in numbers of players around the clubs in the District, country clubs such as ours found it difficult to fill teams to play Pennant. It was proposed and accepted by these country clubs to put together a competition to be known as **The Country Clash**.

The clubs involved are Culcairn, Henty, Holbrook and Walla Walla. The format is a Three Bowl Triples competition and is scheduled over a 8 week period, starting on the 11th February with a social gathering and game.

On 27th January we started our **Club Consistency** event with 2 games being played. Pam Kaletta def Poppy Musgrave in a hard fought match and Jo Merkel def Cathy Jones in another enjoyable match. Further matches will be played next week to complete the first round.

Meetings: I would like to inform all of our members that our monthly meetings will be held after games played every third week of the month. There is no set time, but it is suggested that if you come to the club at about 11.30am you could perhaps watch some bowls and be there in time for the meeting.

Looking forward to seeing some new faces around the club and a chance to report on all of the happenings.

TENNIS

The new year of the season has left off where the 2020 part finished after a hot weather day was declared on the weekend of 23 January with the temperature at or above 38 deg.

The Tennis Club will be gearing up for the annual Trivia and Auction Night at the Holbrook RS Club set down for Saturday 27th February. A fun night for all the family to held in conjunction with the Holbrook Cricket Club and Adult Riding Club. Plenty of bargains will be sold via the auction during the evening. If the rain keeps up it might be a early start to the fire wood season – there will be the usual 5 or 6 loads on offer on the night.

Annual Subs should nearly have all been paid by now – team captains will be following up.

MEN'S BOWLS

The second and third rounds of Pennant have been completed with wins to grade 4 in round 2 and grade 6 in round 3. Grade six is now in 4th place with a good percentage and are a chance of making the finals.

The second round of the club championship has been completed with wins to Wolfie Kaletta, Phil Swan, Graham Mulloy, Ross Smith and Graeme Merkel.

A reminder that Night Bowls commences 3rd February for four weeks. Put your team entry on the list on the notice board in the bowls office.

CAW Hume Country Week 2020/21

Congratulations to the following Holbrook Representatives

Under 12's: Harry Greenhill, Jack Pitzen, Ned Harrison & Nick Robarts will all play in the final of the Thunder Cup

Under 13/14's: Coach Lawson Gulliver Hamish Livermore, Alex Cox, Rory Gulliver, Jim Henry, Izzac Schirmer

Under 15/16's: Coach Russell Parker Ben Parker, Hamilton Black, Harry Plunkett, Aiden Cox, Charlie Morton



CRICKET

A Grade Rd 10: Holbrook played host to Walla in an important match for both clubs, but unfortunately for the Brookers, Walla proved too strong on the day.

Batting first Holbrook made 9/149, with the best contributions coming from Hamish Mackinlay (34), Jimmy Grills (29) & veteran Robbie Mackinlay (28 not out). In reply, the Grasshoppers got off to a flying start, and were able to pass the total for the loss of six wickets. Corey McCarthy & Hamish Mackinlay were the best of the bowlers for Holbrook.

A Grade Rd 11: Holbrook travelled to Osborne, & batting first were able to compile the competitive total of 5/183.

Corey McCarthy (52), Lewis Bowen (31 not out), Hamish Mackinlay (32), Josh Beer (23 not out), Ewan Mackinlay (19) & Charlie Harbison making good contributions. In reply, Osborne, led by gun batsman Ed Perryman (106 not out) only lost four wickets in the run chase. No Holbrook bowler was able to take multiple wickets in the innings.

B Grade Rd 10: Holbrook travelled to Walla & came away with a much needed win.

The Brookers batted first & finished on 5/150, with veteran Brett Strong (44), Sam Joyce (36), Lachie Trethowan (17), Daryl Hucker (15), & John McKenna (14), all making a contribution with the bat. In reply Walla, Walla made 131 all out, with Cooper Walsh (3/11), Jayden Hucker (3/30), Sam Joyce (2/12), & Ben Jones (2/25) doing all the damage with the ball.

B Grade Rd 11: The Brookers hosted Brock/Burrum, and batting first made 162. Again Brett Strong (56) led the way with the bat, & he had good support from skipper Ben McKenna (31) & Ollie Whitley (18).

Unfortunately, Brock/Burrum got the runs with seven wickets down. Ben McKenna completed a fine double by taking four wickets & Sam Joyce picked up a couple.

Junior cricket resumed Saturday 30th January.



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The switch to LED technology is seeing a 213 MWh per year reduction in power use, delivering savings of approximately \$67,000 each year in maintenance and electricity costs.

Director of Engineering, Greg Blackie, said Greater Hume Council was committed to becoming more sustainable, and the LED upgrade is just one initiative in Council's strategies to achieve energy and operational efficiencies in the next 10 years.

"Streetlighting is a significant expense for Council, costing around \$150,000 each year, and with more than 863 streetlights across Council's footprint, the upgrade will go a long way to reducing costs and providing significant long-term savings," said Mr Blackie.

"LEDs are far more energy efficient, require less maintenance and have a significantly longer life." Mr Blackie said LED streetlights consuming around 17 watts each will replace existing high-energy lights consuming between 50 and 100 watts. "Council is investing approximately \$434,000 to complete the bulk upgrade, with the costs expected to be recouped within a period of 6 years."

Essential Energy streetlight manager Adele Finch said the organisation continues to work closely with councils across its distribution area and is committed to providing information and services that are appropriate to Councils' needs and those of the communities they serve. Miss Finch acknowledged the valuable input from the Southern Lights NSW Project, whose partners are working closely with Essential Energy to ensure the successful delivery of the project.

"Public lighting plays an important role in providing safe, secure and attractive public areas for both pedestrians and motorists."

"The new LED streetlighting for Council will not only provide a more reliable, better quality lighting service, but will deliver savings of more than 50 per cent in energy consumption.

"This type of light also provides future potential for other 'smart' applications to be added and will allow Essential Energy to more effectively manage the streetlight network and respond more promptly to potential outages," Miss Finch said.



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Mon 8 Woolpack Inn Museum AGM 2.30pm
Show Society meeting 7pm @ RS Club
Wed 10 Knox Art Group, formally Holbrook Art Group, 5.30pm contact Wendy Swan
Wed 17 **Knox Art Group 5.30pm contact Wendy Swan**
Mon 15 Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St
Sun 21 **Stockhorse Challenge Day @ HEC**
Tue 23 GHSC Disability Inclusion & Action
Plan Workshop - 10.30am @ Library Probus - 11am @ RS Club
Wed 24 Knox Art Group 5.30pm contact Wendy Swan
Sat 27 **Triathlon Training (transition kids) 9.30am @ Holbrook pool**
Combined Clubs' Trivia/Auction Night
Wed 31 **Knox Art Group 5.30pm contact Wendy Swan**

March 2021

- Mon 1 Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St
Tue 2 **Service NSW Mobile Centre 9am-3pm**
Sun 7 Anglican Church Harvest Festival
Sun 14 **Holbrook Triathlon**
Mon 15 Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St
Thu 18 **HARFC Online Clearing Sale begins**
Sat 20 Holbrook Show—Pavilion Judging
Sun 21 **Holbrook Show**
Sat 27 Commander Holbrook Cup Race Meeting
Sun 28 **Culcairn Community Farewell for Dr Reddy 12noon @ Sportsground**
Mon 29 Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St
Tue 30 **Probus - 11am @ RS Club**

April 2021

- Fri 2 **Good Friday**
Mon 12 Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St
Fri 23 **Holbrook Campdraft**
Sat 24 Holbrook Campdraft
Sun 25 **ANZAC Day**
Holbrook Campdraft
Mon 26 **Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St**
Tue 27 **Probus - 11am @ RS Club**

May 2021

- Mon 3 Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St
Sat 15 **Polocrosse Carnival @ HEC**
Sun 16 Polocrosse Carnival @ HEC
Mon 17 **Crafty Hands 10.30am@ 7 Fleet St**
Tue 23 **Probus - 11am @ RS Club**
Wed 26 Sheep & Wool Fair—Schools' Day
Thu 27 **Holbrook Sheep & Wool Fair**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOOLPACK INN MUSEUM HOLBROOK Inc NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 8th February 2021

At 83 Albury St, Holbrook
Commencing at 2.30pm

Enquiries/Apologies to Bert Ray on 02 6036 2131
Wendy Swan (Secretary)

Holbrook Triathlon

Save the Date

Sunday 14th March

Kid's Transition Training Sat 27th Feb 9.30am
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