



HOLBROOK HAPPENINGS

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We have tried hard to ensure this transition runs smoothly but there may be some minor issues we haven't foreseen. Please be patient with our volunteers while we work through these.

From the Holbrook Happenings Volunteer team holbrookhappenings@gmail.com

CONNECT THE DOTS

What does the Rotary Club of Holbrook, 3 Billabong High School students, supportive parents and a tall ship have in common? On 18 May, under sponsorship of the Rotary Club of Holbrook and support from their respective parents, the students - Nikita Stevenson, Tadhg Scholz and Oscar Preston - set off for an adventure. Leaving from Holbrook, they were driven to Melbourne Airport by a parent to connect with a flight to Adelaide. Arriving in Adelaide, the students were billeted with Rotarians involved with this adventure.

By 10 am on 19 May, the 3 Billabong students were joined by 21 other students from NSW, VIC & SA. Their collective adventure – sailing on the tall ship "One and All" from Adelaide to Docklands, Melbourne. The learning curve must have been steep as the 24 students, plus volunteers and professional sailors had to operate as a team, 24/7 for the next 7 days. The students weren't allowed any electronics on board, i.e. no phones, tablets, etc., so the focus was on sailing and managing the shared shipboard duties. I wonder how many "sailors" suffered from motion sickness? Scuttlebutt had it that there were student sailors who hadn't flown before and for whom motion sickness was a real thing. Were these rumours tall tales from a tall ship sailing challenge?

"One and All" arrived in Port Philip Bay on 24 May and anchored overnight. Though close to Docklands, the tall ship had to wait for the 25 May afternoon low tide to get under the Bolte Bridge. Upon arrival, the student sailors were met by waiting family members eager to hear about the voyage and the opportunity to tour the "One and All" themselves.

The Rotary Club of Holbrook would like to thank Rotary International for making this opportunity available, Rotary District 9790 support staff and especially the students and their parents for enabling this exceptional opportunity to happen. If you see these three sailors, I suspect they would love to tell you their "One and All" story.

Milt Golenberg



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You are probably all familiar with Legacy Badge Day in September, and the Legacy raffle earlier in the year. These are the two main dedicated fundraisers BUT your generous support of the Tin Hats in the local bars, and the Two Up on ANZAC Day, as well as the Gunfire Breakfast on Anzac Day, also raise much needed funds. Holbrook and Woomargama have, as always, been very generous in their support.

This year was a record Gunfire Breakfast, on a lovely morning, and just over \$1,000 was given to Legacy by the RSL. A very generous donation from the gamblers who braved the Woomargama Hotel Two Up was also received – over \$900!

This year Legacy are celebrating their centenary with The Legacy Centenary Torch Relay 2023 marking 100 years of service to those who have sacrificed. Beginning in Pozieres, France in the lead up to ANZAC Day in 2023, the Centenary Torch is travelling around the world, stopping at all 45 Legacy Clubs worldwide. The torch will visit Albury Legacy – our local Legacy Club - on Sat August 5, 2023.

Albury Legacy runs holiday camps, social outings, provides financial assistance, and owns a house in Wodonga that can be used by out-of-town families. It also provides links to other services delivered through a network of dedicated volunteers known as Legatees, who are supported by or help connect those in need to a team of social workers and mental health professionals.



*ANZAC Day
Two-up at the
Woomargama
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UPA HOLBROOK VILLAGE NEWS

Mothers' Day was celebrated this year with a Mad Hatters High Tea. Fun was had by all that attended.

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END OF THE SCOBIE ERA

The 70 year connection between the Scobie family and Holbrook has come to an end with the relocation of Robin Scobie to Banksia Village at Broulee on the south coast.

Ian Scobie arrived in the district in 1952 to help a friend at Talmalmo deal with the bushfire that burnt to the coast that year. He went on to work on various farms in the area including "Kildrummie", "Woomargama", "Table Top", "Burnley", "Ardrossan", "Mount Annan" and "Round Hill".

Robin was appointed to teach at Holbrook School in 1953 having previously worked in Nyngan. Legend has it that Robin and Ian met at a dance at the Town Hall in the same year and they were married by Robin's uncle, Richard Stockdale, who was the Anglican Minister at Yackandandah, in 1954. Robin's sister, Susan, still lives just outside that town to this day.

Five sons were soon born: Graham who is a farmer and musician at Moruya, Duncan runs Scobie Saddlery in Blackall, Jim is a racehorse trainer at Gundagai, Rob farms at Batlow and Stuart is a landscape architect in Batemans Bay. All 5 boys completed their primary education at Holbrook Central School before moving on to high schools in Albury, Wagga Wagga and Culcairn.

Both Ian and Robin were involved in various roles in Holbrook over the years. Ian was Shire President, had a role in the formation of Billabong High School in Culcairn and was a Life Member of the RSL for being President for over 25 years. He also received an OAM in 2007 for contributions to Holbrook and district. Ian passed away on 4 Sept 2019 at Holbrook Hospital at the age of 95 and is buried in the Holbrook Cemetery.

Robin returned to teaching at Holbrook Central

School after the birth of her sons, was a member of the Hospital Board, was instrumental in the growth of Grimwoods Store and gave many years' service to Holbrook Happenings. Up until last Christmas she was a resident of



Kala Court in Frampton Street, Holbrook, but following her 90th birthday at the Holbrook Club in July last year has moved to a higher level of care in Broulee. Two of her sons live nearby and all her other sons have also travelled to the coast this year to visit.

Robin sends greetings to all her friends in Holbrook and invites them to visit her at Banksia Village in Broulee at any time as her travelling days are behind her!

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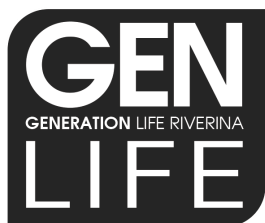
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WOOLPACK INN MUSEUM

In March we were busy hosting students from local primary schools. Two groups totaling 112 pupils from Year 1 visited from Wodonga Primary School and one group of 19 visited from St Patrick's Catholic School of Holbrook. What a delight it was to see so many children enjoying a "walk in the past".

Genevieve McInnes, great grand-daughter of Donald McInnes, and her partner Philippe Chemineau, visited us in April. Donald McInnes was the licensee of the Criterion Hotel, now Woolpack Inn Museum, from 1888 to 1904. Genevieve now lives in Paris and was visiting family in Australia.



With the onset of cooler weather and fewer travellers we are reducing our opening hours to **10am to 3pm, Wednesday to Sunday**.

HOLBROOK LANDCARE

Holbrook Landcare staff have been kept busy with a wide range of field days and trial sites over recent weeks. These range from drought or bushfire preparedness through to nestbox inspections. Crop and pasture trial sites, covering liming rates and the use of different pasture species are at various stages, ranging from establishment through to data collection. Other programs being managed through HLN include a Prograze course and a Working Dog School to be held next month and was sold out within about a week of advertising.

Birdwatchers Wanted! BirdLife Australia's Birds on Farms project – southern NSW – needs your help! 2023 Winter Birds on Farms Surveys are fast approaching.

There are several landholders who have their properties set up with survey points ready-to-go but who require assistance from an experienced volunteer birdwatcher. Volunteer birdwatchers get to meet these inspiring landholders and get to search for birds in previously 'unexplored' territories (albeit on a property-scale!). Surveys can be completed within a day, and a range of support materials and training is provided.

BirdLife's Winter Survey period runs from Saturday 17th June until Sunday 30th July. Be part of the fun! If you would like to know more about the surveys or any other aspects of this project, you can contact Darcy Creece through darcy.creece@birdlife.org.au

BOOK REVIEW

We have a great range of books at Holbrook Library. If you would like to borrow some of these books but are not a member we'd love for you to call in and check out our library. It only takes a couple of minutes to join the library and it is free to join. You get a month, or longer, to keep the books and there are no overdue fees. Each month we purchase new books that you currently see in bookshops. In fact, our library looks and feels like a bookshop, except the books are free for you to take home.

Book review: "Blessed" by John Doyle (a new book on our shelves)

This is also one of the RRL Book Club books and I can see why. Once you've read it, there are so many lively discussions to be had. Often funny, at times poignant, this book has many layers and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Whilst it is a work of fiction, John Doyle has based the story around a year in his teenage life, growing up in Lithgow in the late 1960s. The perspective John writes from is clever (if you read the book you'll see what I mean). The story reads like a memoir and is an excellent description of young peoples' lives - the Catholics versus the Publics, boys and girls, family connections, sport, school, opinions, beliefs. John's writing feels effortless and yet he covers so much of the social changes beginning to reach the more isolated country towns at this time. The book leaves you feeling like so much has changed for the better but that maybe we have lost some of our resilience and sense of humour along the way. *Dom Heriot*





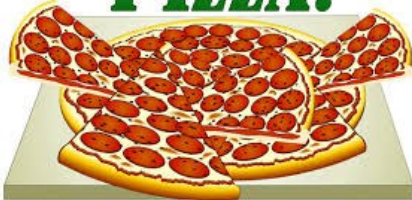
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The annual Holbrook Sheep & Wool Fair has once again attracted approx. 180 secondary students from schools in the southern Riverina, Central Tablelands and Victoria, with many travelling 5-7 hours to attend.

The educational value of the hands-on workshops continues to be the main reason this event is on the calendar for the schools. The HSWF organisers have an enormous level of appreciation for the volunteer presenters of these workshops and the people who accept judging roles during the 2½ day event.

One of the primary concerns though is the capacity to continue with the program with a very small committee, more than 50% of whom are well past the age of retirement. Over the coming months several strategies will be investigated in order to ensure that the event is able to continue to benefit the participants and help to encourage young people to be involved in the sheep industry.

It is interesting to note that the Holbrook Sheep & Wool Fair attracts the greatest number of exhibitors of Lincoln sheep of any show. These exhibitors are also primarily located within a 150km radius of Holbrook and it is often the first time that visitors have seen the Heritage Breed sheep in real life.



Nick Locke helps students to better understand the main things to look for when assessing a Merino sheep.

FUNDRAISER FOR DOLLY'S DREAM

Dolly's Dream was created by Kate and Tick Everett following the shattering loss of their 14-year-old daughter, Dolly, to suicide, after ongoing bullying. Kate and Tick's goal is to prevent other families walking this road. They want to change the culture of bullying by addressing the impact of bullying, anxiety, depression and youth suicide, through education and direct support to young people and families. Dolly's Dream is proudly brought to you by the Alannah & Madeline Foundation.

A local Treadmill Challenge fundraiser was recently run by Shaz Shaw with assistance from the Holbrook Football and Netball Club. It was a great day with many community members supporting the event. A massive \$2,402 was raised for the cause.

A total of 37 runs participated on the day running 458kms. One runner ran a total of 36.5km. A great effort and thank you to everyone who participated.



"Your body can stand almost anything. It's your mind that you have to convince."

"When you feel like giving up, just remember why you held on for so long." - Haley Williams

PROBUS

Our May meeting was well attended. A minute's silence was held for the passing of two of our long time members, Ken Taylor & Shirley Pascoe. Our three new members, Joan Harrison, Didee & Richard Locke were officially welcomed & presented with their badges.

Our guest speaker, Josh Jones, gave an interesting outline of the stages of our levels of fitness and exercise as we age...a bit of a shock to some of us!

Members then enjoyed a delicious roast lunch and some great 'chatting' time.

Our next meeting is Tuesday 27th June at the RS Club at 11:00am. All welcome!

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HOLBROOK WOOLPACK INN MUSEUM

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ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Pray: We share this prayer and our heartfelt thoughts for Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Priest, Father Terence Mahedy, as he receives palliative care in his home in the coming weeks.

When I lie within my bed,
Sick in heart and sick in head
And with doubts discomfeted,
Sweet spirit, comfort me!
When the judgement is revealed,
And that opened which was sealed
When to Thee I have appealed
Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

Live: This week myself, Mrs Leeah Scholz and Mr John Carey worked collaboratively with leadership teams across the diocese utilising the ACER System Data Collection Tool. This tool allows a collective voice to analyse policy and procedures across a number of domains which will help guide CEDWW System Strategies moving forward. It is an absolute gift to be able to have a voice at this level of a strategic plan as it directly impacts our school.

Learn: The classrooms continue to be a hive of learning and activity as we move through the Term. Each of the stages are enjoying immersive experiences that highlight the high quality teaching that takes place in our school. Enrolments are now open for Kindergarten for 2024. Please contact the front office for an enrolment pack and to book a tour of our expansive, modern facilities.

May God's Blessings be with you all.

Melanie Dusterhoft Mavrack, Principal



"Children must be taught how to think, not what to think." Margaret Mead

"If you want to see what children can do, you must stop giving them things." Norman Douglas

GREATER HUME CHILDREN SERVICES

This past month at Greater Hume Shire Children Services the children have been engaging in lots of construction, role play, story time, writing/drawing, messy play.

The Babies Room have had some new children start over the past few weeks, and the children in the room have shown lots of care and nurture towards their new peers as they make safe, secure attachments.

The Toddler Room have been working on their self-help skills with some cooking experiences and day to day tasks. The children participated in creating a mural of their hands in representation of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander colours in recognition of Sorry Day 26th May.

We offer a funded “preschool program” through the Start Strong program which is a government initiative. Throughout this program the children engage in a range of activities to assist with being “school ready”. Our biggest focus is to ensure that children learn self-help skills, which we start implementing from when they are in the babies room. We focus on the emotions that the children experience and assist them to self-regulate as they navigate their way through their world.

The children in the Preschool Room have been doing “show and tell” to assist them with their confidence, language, ability to ask questions, listening to peers and taking turns. The children are always very excited when they get to bring a special toy from home.

The Preschool Room have started a pen pal system with a Centre in Albury. The children have drawn pictures and helped Catherine write a letter. The children will then go to the local post office to send the letter and pictures.

We are now offering vacation care for the July school holidays. This service will be run at the Holbrook Public School. Spots are filling fast so please contact Kimberly Jeffries (0457 235 325) Holbrook Centre Director to secure a spot.

If you are requiring care for 2024 and you don't already have your name down at the Centre please head over to our website-Greater Hume Children Services and click on the waitlist link.



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HOLBROOK RS GOLF LADIES TOURNAMENT 2023

48 women, from over 9 clubs, enjoyed 18 holes Stableford golf at Holbrook on 17 May. After a chilly start, we had a beautiful sunny day and everyone enjoyed the lunch provided by the Holbrook RS Club. Thanks to Drummonds Albury, Hello Maude, IGA and Holbrook News and Gifts for generous prize and raffle donations.

A Grade Winner – Sylvia Spring; A Grade R/Up – Chris Spokes; B Grade Winner – Tanya Sheather; B Grade R/Up – Leanne Hooper; C Grade Winner – Sol Webb; C Grade R/Up – Jenni Papworth

Veteran winner – Lea Parker

Super Vet winner – Marg Bradley

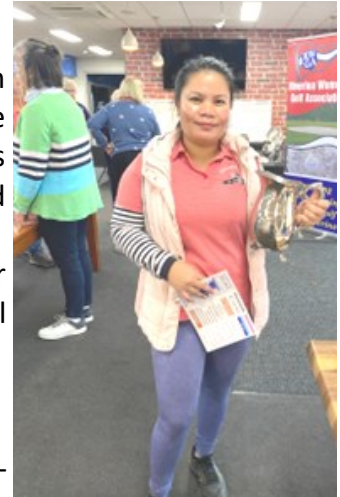
Longest Drives: A Grade – Louise Holden, B Grade – Marg Bradley, C Grade – Jenni Papworth

Visitors Trophy – Belinda McKimmie (in her first ever tournament)

NTP: Sol Webb, Sandra Mellen, Glenda Hosken

Top: Mirasol Webb – Winner of Ailsa Rossiter Trophy – Best Local Score at Annual Tournament

Bottom: Leanne Hooper, Tanya Sheather, Sol Webb, Chris Spokes, Sylvia Spring, Jenni Papworth & Marg Bradley



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OLEANDERS IN HOLBROOK

A colourful garden species – Nerium Oleander that has fallen out of garden ‘fashion’ in recent years is still very much in favour, as seen in local gardens and some public frontages in almost every street in Holbrook.



Bad publicity concerning the plant being poisonous have made Oleanders unpopular in many other towns and cities even though there are countless other toxic common garden plants. Believed by historians to be native to the Mediterranean region they are a hardy evergreen shrub that will tolerate a wide variety of conditions. They prefer full sun and good drainage. They present in double, semi double and single flower form. They are a popular choice for privacy barriers. The tall single white variety known as “Ed Barr” in the USA was used to surround tennis courts and the hardy red and white varieties were used to beautify the California highways and absorb pollution.

An early catalogue from The Darling Nursery, Sydney NSW of 1851 lists available Nerium varieties as – ‘Album’ single white cream centre, ‘Splendens’ double pink, ‘Cardinale’ red,

‘Purpureum’ Crimson, ‘Variegatum’ double pink with variegated leaves, ‘Lutescens’ yellow flower. These listed Oleas are the early plants available to most Australian gardens. A quite beautiful white semi-double specimen named “Magnolia Willis Sealy” often chosen in the USA is sold here as “Madoni Grandiflorum”.

The single Oleas grow faster and are easier to root cuttings from and appear to be the most common seen in white, pink and red. The more exotic double pink “Splendens” and semi double salmon “Mrs F. Roeding” have almost rose-like flowers but are not as big as the singles. There is also an uncommon double pink with variegated leaves, “Mrs Runge”.

In the USA, Galveston Texas has celebrated the Oleander for 175 years and is known as the Oleander City. After destruction by a hurricane in 1900 the city replanted Oleanders throughout.

The toughness of Oleas is apparent by their survival after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima City Japan because it was the first flower to bloom from the rubble. A white Olea, later to become in 1973 the Peace Flower of Hiroshima.

After it’s removal from home gardens and public parks in recent years it is heartening to see many fine examples of Oleas in our local Holbrook gardens. *Miche*

RIVERINA WOMEN’S GOLF ASSOCIATION SANDGREEN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

This championship was held at Holbrook RS Golf Club on May 31st. Over 50 women took part in the championships. The course was in excellent condition, thanks to greens staff, and the meal at the RS Club was delicious.

Congratulations to the Champions; Scratch Div 1 Marg Naseby (Coleambally), R/Up Chris Mildren (Comm Alb); Scratch Div 2 Glenda Whitby (Narrandera), R/Up Janet Beverley (Henty); Scratch Div 3 Lea Parker (Holbrook) R/Up Teresa Waters (Holbrook).

Holbrook had 10 women compete, with Lea Parker and Teresa Waters taking out Div 3 and Chris Spokes, Brooke Mathewson, Liz Plunkett, Liz Keogh, Helen Morton and Phoebe Taylor featuring in Ball competition. Special thank you to our Holbrook Ladies GC volunteers, Robyn Batson, Sally Williams, Jane Quick, Skye Trescowthick, Marg Geddes and Judy Jones.





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The Men's Table meets upstairs at the "Top Pub" 6.30-9pm
- Fri 23 OMNI Group meet 10am @ RS Club
Interstate Square Dance "Dance Off" @ Holbrook Shire Hall
- Sat 24 Interstate Square Dance "Dance Off" @ Holbrook Shire Hall
- Sun 25 **Interstate Square Dance "Dance Off" @ Holbrook Shire Hall**
- Mon 26 Community Garden helpers meet 9am
Lions Club of Holbrook Golden Jubilee dinner
- Tues 27 Probus 11am @ RS Club

July 2023

- Mon 3 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**
- Tue 4 Business & Community Development Group meet 6.30pm @ "Top Pub"
- Mon 10 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**
- Fri 14 OMNI Group meet 10am @ RS Club
- Mon 17 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**
- Sat 22 Holbrook Landcare Working Dog School
- Sun 23 **Holbrook Landcare Working Dog School**
- Mon 24 Community Garden helpers meet 9am
- Tues 25 **Probus 11am @ RS Club**
- Fri 28 OMNI Group meet 10am @ RS Club
- Mon 31 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**

August 2023

- Mon 7 Community Garden helpers meet 9am
- Fri 11 **OMNI Group meet 10am @ RS Club**
- Mon 14 Community Garden helpers meet 9am
- Mon 21 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**
- Fri 25 OMNI Group meet 10am @ RS Club
- Mon 28 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**
- Tues 29 Probus 11am @ RS Club

September 2023

- Mon 4 **Community Garden helpers meet 9am**
- Fri 8 OMNI Group meet 10am @ RS Club
- Mon 11 Community Garden helpers meet 9am
- Mon 18 9am Community Garden helpers meet

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For all your home maintenance
Painting, tiling, plaster, repairs, bathroom, laundry, and reno's.

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Red Box & Ironbark
Good burning wood.
Delivered free to Holbrook.
6x7 ute \$200. 10x5 trailer \$350.
Call Adam: 0432 156 184

HAPPENINGS ADVERTISING RATES

Please note that **from 1 July 2023** there will be a small increase in the cost of advertising in the Holbrook Happenings.

This is to assist in covering the cost of price rises in both paper and printing and is the first change in prices for some years.

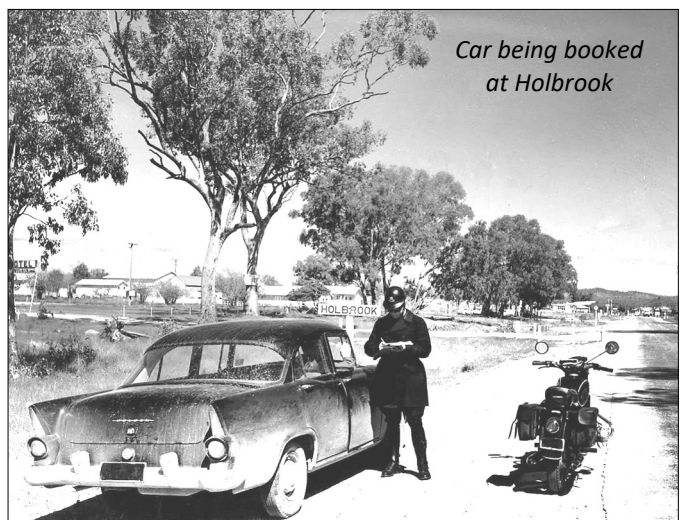
The new advertising rates will be published in the next issue

FREE GARDEN MULCH



Bedding straw left from livestock shows is available to collect from the Holbrook Sporting Complex (near the south-east gate and in the large nearby shed).

Bring your trailer or ute but you will need to load it yourself.



Car being booked at Holbrook

*"Do not speed through Holbrook"
Archival photo supplied by Miche*



The Lions Club of Holbrook wish to invite you to join them on Monday 26 June to celebrate their Golden Jubilee, 50 years of service to the Holbrook community, Australia and Lions International.

6.30pm for 7.00pm
at the Holbrook R.S. Club

Two course meal \$30.00
Please advise of any dietary requirements

Please RSVP by 19 June, with payment, to Lion Gail at 79 Albury St, Holbrook

Dress smart casual, no jeans.
Enquiries ring: 0467 852 409

DAY AND BOARDING SCHOOL, YEARS 7-12



Expressions of Interest for enrolments open.
Mid-year intakes and 2024 now available.

ST PAUL'S COLLEGE
Walla Walla

LIMITED PLACES

Please direct enquiries to our Enrolments Manager, Joanne Knobel via our website or phone 6029 2200.



YEAR 5 DISCOVERY DAY : FRIDAY 9TH JUNE

FLU SEASON: IT'S TIME TO GET VACCINATED

Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network (MPHN) is encouraging community members to book a flu vaccination with their GP or pharmacist as soon as possible.

Getting vaccinated helps protect both you and the people around you, especially those at risk of severe illness or complications if infected with the flu.

Senior Manager Primary Care Engagement Andrew Heap said with COVID-19 still circulating in the community, vaccination is especially important.

"We understand people may be feeling vaccine-fatigued after the last few years, however we're strongly encouraging everyone to stay vigilant and give themselves the best chance of a healthy winter by getting their flu shot," Mr Heap said. "Our region's GPs and pharmacists are ready and waiting to help protect you against influenza, all you need to do is make an appointment."

It's difficult to predict who will catch influenza or who will become seriously ill. The flu can require hospitalisation and can even be fatal.

Community members most at risk of influenza include children aged between six months and five years, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with underlying medical conditions, people aged over 65 years and pregnant women.

You can also get a COVID-19 vaccine at the same time as your flu vaccine. Everyone over 18 years can get a new COVID booster if it's been six months since their last dose or COVID-19 infection.

"Ask your GP or pharmacist about getting a COVID booster at the same time as your flu shot, particularly if you're 65 years or over, or at increased risk from COVID-19," Mr Heap said. "Being proactive can make a difference in keeping Murrumbidgee residents safe and healthy and out of our hospitals this winter.

"Staying up to date with your vaccinations helps protect you, your loved ones, and our most vulnerable community members against severe illness. So please make your flu shot appointment today."



582 Carabost Road, Humula

\$695,000



"TOOWACKA"

20 Acres / 8.09 Hectares
 5.8km along Carabost Road, from Tumbarumba Road
 Property boasts undulating country overlooking down to Carabost Creek
 3-bedroom brick veneer home with carpet, ceiling fans & blinds, formal lounge, office, galley kitchen opening into large family laundry with ample storage
 Covered back garden
 Covered front garden
 Covered contained granny flat
 Covered workshop area
 Covered and established vegetable garden
 Steel & timber fencing
 Dam and large water tank
 Beautiful mature trees over the property and established gardens surround the home.
 Inspections by appointment .



14 Spurr Street, Holbrook

\$395,000



FAMILY HOME

3 B/R brick home with gas cooking and adjoining dining area.
 Spacious living area. Master bedroom with built in robes.
 Entertaining area. Secure, family friendly back garden.
 Option to purchase fully furnished. Access to main streets.
 Carport, off street parking and garden shedding.



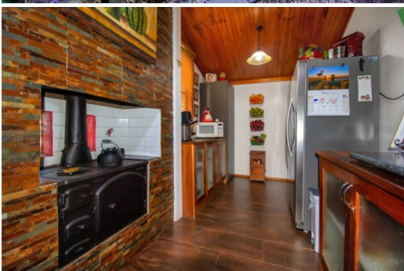
2043 Culcairn Holbrook Road, Morven

\$410,000



QUIET LIFESTYLE

Tucked behind beautiful Plane trees, a circular driveway leads you right to the door.
 Once the home of the Morven Mayor, this is a renovated modern 2 bedroom home with established, well fenced garden, village tennis courts, and borders crown land. The original house has been renovated by the current owner.
 Master bedroom with built in robes. Second bedroom with French doors
 Covered back garden. Well designed kitchen with spa
 Oven, adjoining dining and also has French doors
 Ample water storage, establish vegetable garden
 and watering system throughout garden and 7m x 4m garage.



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