

CELEBRATING 400 ISSUES OF THE HOLBROOK HAPPENINGS 2004-2020



WOW we're 400!!!!

On the 25th August 2004 the 1st issue of the Holbrook Happenings was delivered and now on the 18th November 2020 the 400th issue will be delivered. Who would have thought after 16 years and 400 issues I'd still be here. It occurred to me back in 2004 after a visit to Khancoban where I saw a copy of their newsletter, that Holbrook could benefit from our own newsletter. After much consultation and research the Holbrook Happenings was born.

The Happenings wouldn't go out without lots of support from our community. It involves a multitude of people. There are the publicity officers, the advertisers, the compilers, the proof readers, the folders and the deliverers. We would like to acknowledge those community members who take on the role of publicity officer within their organisation, it is you who provide the information and content that makes the newsletter so informative. Keep up the good work.

Covering the cost of producing the Happenings on a fortnightly basis has never been an issue for us because of the loyal advertisers we have and we thank you for your continued support. We thank those businesses that have been supporting us for all of our 400 issues. You are amazing.

To Lieschke Motors, thank you for your sponsorship of the rural deliveries. David & Co have been doing this for 16 years. We are very appreciative of your contribution.

Greater Hume Council, we appreciate that you allow us to produce this newsletter for our community, to keep them informed and engaged. There is a huge amount of work involved to produce this publication every fortnight. The staff seem to no sooner see Peter take the bundles of Happenings out the door for the town delivery than the enquiries and emails start coming in for the next issue.

The Happenings has the most wonderful group of volunteers who help every fortnight to ensure it goes out on time. They willingly compile, proof, insert and fold every fortnight. Without the volunteers we would not be able to produce this publication in its current format. I'm sure the entire community will join me in thanking them. There always seems to be a new volunteer joining our team. I have worked with so many wonderful volunteers I can't possibly name them all but there are a few I would like to mention. The CTC has now merged with the Library but originally was run with the support of a committee. Original members of the committee John Lynch and Robin Scobie started volunteering with the Happenings from the very first issue and are still volunteering today. Robin has just retired from proof reading but still continues to fold while John provides a history quiz each issue as well as continuing to fold. June Kilpatrick was an inaugural member of the committee and she has recently commenced providing a regular gardening article. Rita Bowler has been on board for some time now and spends quite a few hours every second Friday compiling the newsletter.

And of course none of this would happen without the wonderful staff I work with, Ali & Dom, who are such a vital part of making sure this publication goes out on time. I feel honoured and privileged to be involved with the Holbrook Happenings and to work with such a fantastic group of volunteers and wonderful staff who are a pleasure to work with.

Leonie Hibberson



HOLBROOK HAPPENING STATS

Published 400 issues over
16 years, over 6,400 hours,
printed 480,000 copies,
used 1,920,000 A3 pages

We

*print over 1,100 copies an
issue.



Holbrook Happenings..

Thank Goodness you're here!

In our fast moving world, where information is found and discarded in an instant, we are fortunate to have a 2 week shelf life. Our local, we pick up, read, discuss & re-read, refer to when we seek an answer and it's a place to see our locals shine, with all the successes of our local community.

Holbrook Swimming Club has used the HH to disseminate our information to locals for years, give regular updates of what is on offer, season wrap ups and of course include lots of photos of happy kids.

Our annual Rotary triathlon is a regular front page story, always well attended from both locals and outsiders, bringing lots of energy and good spirit.

After nearly a decade in real estate, we have sold more properties from the back page of the Holbrook Happening than any other form of advertising. Stopped in the street on a regular basis to answer a question about a listed property. Without the Holbrook Happenings our family business would not have been able to have the local exposure and success that we have experienced. We hope it continues for another 400 issues!

Margot Pitzen

SOLD

Congratulations Holbrook Happenings on 400 issues!!

What a fantastic asset to the community you are. The most effective way of communicating with not only people who use our services, but the community in general. We know our service users look forward to their fortnightly issues and we hear lots of comments about news and event at our gentle exercise sessions - "It's in the Happenings".

Congratulations and keep them coming, **Sue and everyone at Meals on Wheels.**



"If it's happening, it's in The Happenings!" Congratulations to Leonie & all the team on 400 editions of The Holbrook Happenings! What a magnificent achievement & a testament to the wonderful community spirit that embodies Holbrook. My family looks forward to each edition & it's such a special way for old & new residents, as well as visitors to our great town to keep up to date with what is happening! From **Jane Bunyan**



Thanks Holbrook Happenings

Many congratulations on your outstanding achievement of 16 years and 400 issues of the Holbrook Happenings. Backed by your town and supported by an enthusiastic and dedicated team of volunteers, you have well and truly served Holbrook and district over such a long period of time and created a great sense of positivity and inclusion in your community. You can take immense pride in your achievement.

Furthermore from the Culcairn Oasis, a huge thank-you to Leonie, Dom and Ali from the Holbrook Library for their outstanding assistance in reviving the Oasis. We have been inspired by the work done by the Holbrook Happenings team. We could not have done it without you.

Cheers to another 400 issues.

Holbrook Stores

Firstly, Holbrook Stores would like to congratulate Holbrook Happenings on their 400th Issue.

We have been extremely happy with our ongoing advertising in the Holbrook Happenings.

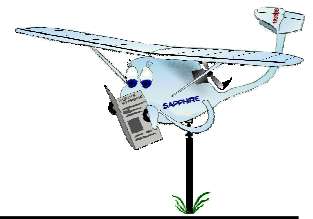
Our business is able to communicate items of interest to the community via our half page ad in every issue.

From a personal perspective; upon moving to Holbrook, we found it was a great medium to see what was occurring in the community or results and outcomes of what had occurred since the previous issue.

I'm happy to recommend the Holbrook Happenings Newsletter to any local businesses.

Stephen Behan General Manager

HOLBROOK HAPPENINGS



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COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAMPIONS

Member for Albury Justin Clancy was delighted to recognise Mary Hoodless and Holbrook Rotarian Kerry Morton with Community Service Awards on behalf of the NSW Government.

The presentation took place at the Rotary Club of Holbrook's dinner meeting at the RS Club a fortnight ago.

"Both Mary and Kerry are champions of service in their community particularly during and in the aftermath of the bushfires at the start of 2020," Mr Clancy said.

Mary has been a tireless crusader for her community especially advocating for bushfire recovery and health. She is a Jingellic Rural Fire Service volunteer and Jingellic emergency welfare centre's community safety officer and co-ordinator of the town's recovery committee.

Right through the catastrophe they had no mobile phone communication and had to go door to door to pass on urgent messages. At the same time, the community was experiencing ongoing power outages although Essential Energy kept the community abreast of the situation.

As the community safety officer, Mary was responsible for knowing where their vulnerable residents were and getting them safely relocated. She told the Royal Commission into Bushfires of the need for cross border liaison between the RFS and the CFA during disasters – it has been the same for 35 years and a common communication platform should have been established earlier.

During the same fires, Kerry helped set up and run a bushfire staging hub at Holbrook which mobilised Rotarians and a team of volunteers to feed firefighters and displaced families. Kerry says, "volunteering is my passion," and is keen to step up when there is a need. She has been a Rotarian for 12 years; leading the way in establishing a peace pole at the Ten Mile Creek Gardens. She worked with Riverina Water, Greater Hume Shire Council and other Rotarians on the installation of water bubblers in Holbrook's main street and submarine precinct.



Mary Hoodless, Member for Albury Justin Clancy and Holbrook Rotarian Kerry Morton.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR MRS GUNDULA HOLBROOK

Gundula Holbrook is the widow of Norman Holbrook and celebrated her 106th Birthday on 1st November 2020. She was born in Austria in 1914. She married Norman Holbrook in 1952, and the couple lived in England until his death in 1976. At some time after that, Gundula returned to Austria, and is now her village's oldest resident.

Her incredible generosity to the town of Holbrook, first visited in 1956, has been the impetus behind the HMAS OTWAY casing and the Submarine Museum happening in Germanton Park. Gundula last visited in 1997, when a Dedication Ceremony/Freedom of Entry was held after HMAS OTWAY was installed in the park. Gundula always remembers the town and the museum

receives a Christmas card every year. The museum runs a hologram with "Gundula" telling the story of Commander Holbrook's submarine B11 in the Dardanelles. Happy Birthday, Gundula!



Only two more issues of Holbrook Happenings left before Christmas. There will be the option of coloured advertising in issue 402. Please contact us if you would like this option.

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Next deadline 9am
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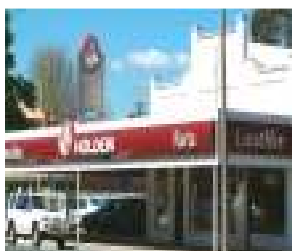
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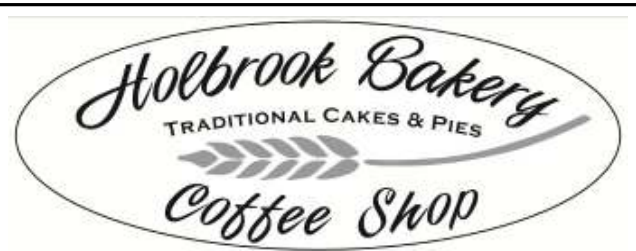
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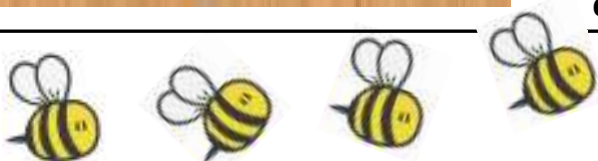
Ph: 02 6036 3262 **OPENING HOURS** Tues—Fri:11.00--5.30pm Saturdays-9.30-12.30pm



at the library
5.30pm Thursday 26th Nov.

This session for ages 16 to 24

We have just 15 spaces available for a fun and valuable demonstration on making bees wax wraps. Dom will be running the evening. Each participant gets to take home a pack that will make three wraps. This session is funded by Greater Hume Council Youth Services. Punch and a cheese platter provided. **Bookings essential. Phone 6036 3262 or look up this event on our Facebook page to book your spot.**



Christmas craft at the library



Christmas tree felt softie pack to make your very own decoration for your Christmas tree. We will have a make it station set up in the library or you may like to take your felt pack home. Children under 10 years to be accompanied by an adult. Starting on 1st December but to ensure you get one you may book yours in now. We have 20 packs available. Cost \$3 each.

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Wooden reindeers to construct and decorate. Packs available to book now for children 7 and under. \$2 each. Once again, be quick as we only have 10 reindeer packs.



Story Time sessions are every second and fourth Thursday of the month, 11am starting time. So good to have new families join us. Limit for each session is 30 so no need to book. Only two more sessions before Christmas!



Christmas Food Appeal

Help us feed local people in need and donate non-perishable food items. You can drop off at the library up until Christmas Eve.



HOLBROOK LANDCARE

Following last week's Holbrook Landcare AGM all of the current Directors have been re-elected to the HLN Board. These are Angela Avery, Helen Burns, Colin Geddes, Tony Nott, Marcus Richardson, Sandy Middleton, Hamish Paton & Dougald Frederick.

In his Chair's Report, Colin Geddes made reference to



the 2019 celebration of our 30 years, which was well attended by the leaders of National and State Landcare organisations and politicians, and a range of partners and members. The information presented at this really showed what an impact HLN has had over the years in the economic contribution and the landscape changes. 2020 has proved to be challenging and fortunately we were able to adapt quickly with the transition to working online being relatively smooth.

A copy of the 2020/21 Chair's Report will be available through the HLN website.

ANGLICAN NEWS

Remembrance Day this year has been like no other due to Covid which has impacted so many things this year. We are reminded of John 15 verse 13 which says "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." This is as true for troops who fight for our freedoms as knowing that Jesus laid down His life for mankind to take on the sins of all who accept Him as their Saviour.

We are thinking about the best way to have Christmas services and will let everyone know when we come to a decision. Most of our decisions are guided from the Diocese, so hopefully with prayer and the easing of restrictions we will have something to report.

The Op Shop continues to serve our community and others passing through. There are still some plants left over from the plant stall, so why not top up your garden? We are still in need of good quality furniture. There is an interesting array of electrical goods there also.

This week we have a visiting rector, the Rev. Rex Everett from Albury to run our service.

TRIVIA: Three plovers, a parrot and a baboon feature in the Scottish version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas".

Calling for Nominations of Greater Hume's Top Citizens

Citizen of the Year Young Citizen of the Year
Community Event of the Year
Sports Person/Team of the Year Sports Volunteer of the Year

Applications close Wednesday, 9 December 2020

Nomination forms for all award categories are located on Council's website (www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) or can be picked up at one of Councils Customer Service Centres at Culcairn, Henty, Holbrook, Jindera and Walla Walla.

**Greater Hume's Australia Day celebrations will be held at
Walbundrie Recreation Ground, Walbundrie on Tuesday, 26 January 2020.**



For more information please contact:
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Change of Management for Hair Salon

WELCOME! ALEXANDRA HARRISON HAIR DESIGN IS NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT!

For the past 9 1/2 years AHHD has provided Holbrook with impeccable service surrounding all their client's hairdressing needs and we endeavor to continue!

SO....Exciting News! As of 2nd November, AHHD would like to introduce their NEW SENIOR STYLIST Tania Sneddon! Tania has over 10 years hairdressing experience and may be a familiar face to many as she grew up in Holbrook. She is looking forward to sharing her knowledge, experience, reacquainting herself with the township and continuing to provide customer service excellence and satisfaction to all AHHD's beautiful clients!

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CHRISTMAS IS NOT FAR AWAY SO BOOK NOW!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

PLANT PICK PLATE

ROSES! I haven't been a fan of these beautiful, captivating and popular flowers. That was until I noticed a deep red climber with an amazing fragrance in a neighbour's garden. I immediately fell in love and had to plant one.

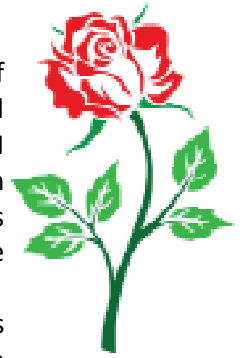
My glorious "Black Boy" climber has grown to decorate my house verandah post displaying large deep velvety red blooms that hold the most exquisite fragrance. I am not one who wears perfume but I could indulgently bathe in this scent, it is just so elegant. Unfortunately, I don't have a bath, but a vase of flowers I cut regularly. The added appeal of this rose is when the blooms age. The colour deepens to a rich velvety purple and the adorable fragrance intensifies to fill the house.

Another garden that I am caring for has 13 rose plants that are very diverse in their shape and blooms. Many are David Austin roses resembling old English varieties and consist of Hybrid Teas, Floribundas, Ramblers, shrub and species which fill the small garden.

I have fallen in love again. My favourites are the spectacular floribunda "Sentimental", a striped brilliant pink and white bloom with a sweet spicy fragrance. "Glamis Castle" is a shrub with displays of large champagne/pink coloured, deeply cupped flowers, so soft and delicate to the eye. The fruity perfume is entirely captivating.

I have decided to improve my knowledge of roses as I gain a greater appreciation for this much loved species and the calming effects the blooms have on those who notice. I am planning the establishment of a new planting area in my garden with my head opting for a dry garden of natives and succulents, however my heart is opting for scented roses, but my bath must be installed first.

Passionate Gardener, June.



<h1>BOUNCE</h1> <p>Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Rehabilitation</p>
<p>Physiotherapist- Sarah Finlay</p> <p>(Bachelor of Exercise & Sport Science, Masters of Physiotherapy)</p> <p>APA member. Sports injuries, back and neck injuries, muscle & joint injuries, women's health, pre & post natal programs.</p>
<p>FOR BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES</p> <p>Call Sarah on 0409 907 058</p>

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

NAIDOC week was held between 8th and 15th November and we have enjoyed a variety of activities designed to build cultural competency in our school community. This year's theme is Always Was, Always Will Be. We recognise that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years. Our week began with lunch time art and story time in the school grounds and concluded with a classroom museum featuring authentic aboriginal artifacts.

Remembrance Day

Service: Our students gathered on the front lawn to commemorate Remembrance Day. The students were reverent as Mrs Hocking and some of our S3 students lead the service. Neve Scholz our school captain delivered an address highlighting a very personal connection with her family and the First World War.



Annabelle, Charlie, Hiku, Alex and Neve at the Remembrance Day service

'I am going to talk about Lance Corporal Albert Jacka. He was the first Australian to be awarded with the Victoria Cross during the First World War, receiving the medal for his actions during the Gallipoli Campaign. He also later served on the Western Front and was twice further decorated for his bravery.

My great, great grandfather and his brother built a house on a farm out the Culcairn road, it was named after Albert Jacka which was around the time he received the Victorian Cross. Later, my great grandfather and great grandmother lived there and now my pop and nan still live there today. The name is still known as JACKA.'

Gymnastics: Next week sees the conclusion of our very popular gymnastics program facilitated by Simone from Flyaway Gymnastics, Albury and funded by our successful grant from Sporting Schools Australia. The children are showing some hidden talents as they balance, tumble and bounce their way through these sessions.

Final Word: As we enter Week 6, Term 4 it is more important than ever to be gentle with ourselves and each other. The events of 2020 are unprecedented and as the year draws to an end it is timely that we reflect and celebrate all which has been achieved despite the adversity suffered, always remember from little things big things grow.

BILLABONG HIGH

We wish Mr Wawzkowicz all the best as he commences the role of Director Educational Leadership for the Woronora schools in Sydney. Although Mr Wawzkowicz has left our school, he provides others with the opportunity to develop as leaders.

I am also pleased to announce that Mrs Mackinlay will lead the HSIE faculty at Billabong High School as Head Teacher for the rest of the year and throughout 2021. The ongoing development of leadership capacity has been one of the key features of our improvement journey over the last five years. We recognise the importance of building capacity and striving for excellence in teaching, learning and leadership.

The journey of improvement at BHS will continue. This will be led by Mrs Murdoch as Instructional Leader, Ms Nim as Deputy Principal and myself as Principal. One of my first responsibilities as Principal is to fill several permanent teachers and two Head Teacher positions. The process will be completed before the end of the school year. *Ms Bowen*

Afternoon Thrive Classes: Thrive is again up and running for Term 4. As is the case for other schools, COVID19 restrictions have meant that where possible, students have chosen activities that have been set up in Stage groups.

Several new interest groups have been included for this Terms selection. One of which is Spike Ball which is played by our stage 5 students. This new sport has many challenges as it is a game of strategy and is much like volleyball, but played by bouncing a ball off a mini tramp with the aim of having the other team miss the ball.

Other activities that are currently running include K-Pop, Year 10 study skills, paddock to plate cooking, netball, habitat houses (woodwork), art space, board games, beginning guitar, STEM, e-Sport, craft, fitness. There are too many activities to list.

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HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

As we approach the middle of Term 4, we think of all that has happened already, and what is still ahead of us!

The pre-schoolers have now enjoyed two **transition sessions** at Holbrook Public School. They have loved participating in the fun learning activities with their buddies, including a treasure hunt. We look forward to seeing them again on Wednesday 18 and Thursday 26 November.



On Thursday November 5, we welcomed two performers from the **Murray Conservatorium** to give workshops to each class. We enjoyed the music playing, dancing and creativity.

Last week (8-15 November) was **NAIDOC week**, where

we celebrated our indigenous culture and heritage. Students were involved in lots of activities throughout the week, including learning some Wiradjuri language, playing indigenous games, creating indigenous artworks and learning more about our local culture.

Wednesday November 11 was **Remembrance Day**, which at Holbrook PS, was recognised with a brief assembly led by our school leaders. We paused to remember all of the Australians who have fought and died for our country in wars.

Also on Wednesday November 11, we had **Joffa's Toonschool** return to visit us. We all enjoyed Joffa's quick wit and cartoon drawing, whilst learning about creativity and resilience.

All children across all classes have participated in the school's **public speaking competition**. Congratulations to the following two students from each class who represented their classes in the final. Winners will be announced at our Presentation Day events.

Kindergarten – Arabella Pincott & Jack Lindsay

Year 1 – Indie Brown & Westley Henderson

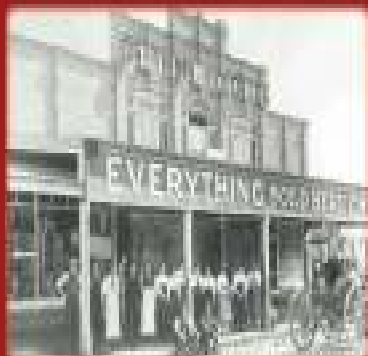
Year 2 – Asher Kenney & Grace Bennetts

Year 3 – Ollie Cardile & Jasper Hartwich

Year 4 – Abby Pincott & Jessica Frana

Year 5 – Jack Lennon & Eli Toll

Year 6 – Annabel Pincott & Annie Triggs



Holbrook Stores

past, present, future - serving the community

Holbrook Stores' next Market Day
Thursday, 19th November
See flyer for details.

Unfortunately, Holbrook Stores gravel yard sales will not be available on the weekends until further notice. However, this service will still be available Monday to Friday between 10.00am and 3.00pm.

TRADING HOURS: 9.00am-6.30pm Monday to Friday 9.00am -3.00pm Saturday 10.00am-3.00pm Sunday
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LEST WE FORGET – JOHN E. TONER

Private John Toner of Holbrook, was twenty-eight when he enlisted in July 1940. In November that year, he was posted to the 2/29th Australian Infantry Battalion, which had just been formed the month before. When Toner along with his battalion had finished their initial training in Victoria, they sailed with the rest of their brigade to Singapore, arriving in August 1941. In the second week of September, the 2/29th travelled to Malaya, where they continued their training.

Japanese forces landed in Thailand and Northern Malaya, on the 7th December, the day Pearl Harbour was attacked. By mid-January 1942, they had advanced to the Muar River, which was defended by an Indian brigade. The 2/29th and the 2/19th Battalions were sent there as reinforcements, arriving on the 17th January. The Japanese attacked the next day, marking the start of the Battle of Muar, the last major battle of the Malayan Campaign during the Second World War, lasting eight days.

The Australian-Indian force struck fierce fighting with the Japanese outflanking them. They did make progress, but with its ammunition exhausted, casualties increasing, and no chance of relief, the combined [Australian-Indian force](#) had to withdraw.

Approximately 40 Indians and 110 Australians that were wounded including Toner had to be left behind. They were rounded up by the Japanese and forced to surrender. The men, now Prisoners of War were beaten, tormented and denied food, water and medical attention. At sunset on the 22nd January 1942, the men all except a few who had escaped, were brutally massacred by the Japanese. Private Toner among them, was later buried at Kranji War Cemetery, Singapore.

References: Australian War Memorial – John Toner

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<https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/U56072>

Commonwealth War Graves Commission – John Toner

<https://www.cwgc.org/find-records/find-war-dead/casualty-details/2821816/JOHN%20EDWIN%20TONER/>

National Archives of Australia – John Toner

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=6137412>

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PORTABLE DEVICE – MOW COVID CONNECTIONS

Did you know your iPad is portable?

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Your iPad has its own battery supply using a lithium-ion battery that can last for up to a week depending on how much you use it. The battery icon will display a percentage or coloured area that gives you an indication as to how much is left. Just keep note of when you do plug it in to charge that the little lightning bolt is in the middle of your battery icon. This means it is correctly attached and charging. If your battery fully drains it may take a minute or two before it will light up again on charge, which means you will need to give it 10 minutes before using it again, it can be used whilst plugged in and charging, which is handy if you are in the middle of a video call or game and it is running out.

iPads can be used online by linking to Wi-Fi or mobile data. Meals on Wheels iPads being used locally have their own mobile data sim cards, this allows those who do not have access to the internet to link up and connect with others from the comfort of their own home. When they are out and about the sim card makes the device mobile, just like a mobile phone, permitting the use of the internet, messages and video calls whilst on the move.

RASF SPREADS CHRISTMAS JOY WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM REGIONAL SHOW SOCIETIES

Twenty regional show societies across NSW received over \$180,000 worth of sanitiser, kitchenware and toys this Christmas, thanks to the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW Foundation (RASf) and its collaboration with Good360.

RASF Manager, Cecilia Logan says she is delighted the organisation could work with Good360 once again to connect surplus goods with regional towns. "This is a small but impactful way the RASF can give back with the help of Good360 and our local NSW Show Societies."

Holbrook is one lucky recipient with the Holbrook Show Society set to distribute the bulk of the goods throughout the local community.

Miss Marylou Hodges, President of the Holbrook Show Society, thanks the RASF and Good360 for their generosity and says the products and gifts will bring great joy to the community.

"The goods we have received will be dispersed over the next couple of months into our local community in time for the Christmas period ahead. We have already been able to assist our ladies' bowls club with sanitizer in preparation for their annual tournament, and the hospital and Aged Care Hostel with some personal care items that they had been having difficulty sourcing."

Since the RAS Foundation and Good360 began collaborating in 2018, more than 100 pallets of goods valued at over 1.5 million, have helped upgrade local facilities, while lifestyle goods and toys are shared with the community.

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HISTORY QUIZ

Who am I?

At the age of 13, I won the Under 15-year-old junior handler competition at the National Limousin Show at Wodonga in May 1998 **Answer:** Claire Withers

New Who am I?

I am a well-known Holbrook identity. When growing up I played cricket, alongside Steve Rixon



LADIES BOWLS

Roll up, roll up, roll up. Hello once again from the ladies at Holbrook bowls.



Today I would like to present you with a little profile on one of our bowling members - namely Marjorie Winnett.

Marjorie is a Life Member and Patron of our club who started to play bowls in September 1966.

WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO TAKE UP BOWLING? Well my mother passed away in 1965, my father said he would love me to take on bowling with her bowls and that he also needed a "bowling partner".

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT PLAYING LAWN BOWLS? I have been an outdoors person all my life. I have made wonderful friends and have enjoyed the competition at all levels.

Marj has been on District and Club committees holding all Executive positions. She has also had great success at District and Club level in all categories of our game. Marj has been to many tournaments far and wide and played with many different people, whether it be representing the Riverina or just being involved in annual events in our area.

Over the years Marj has walked hundreds of miles on the greens (no doubt using many pairs of bowls shoes). She has taught other women how to bowl, coached and guided people to victory sharing her knowledge and has always been very encouraging and supportive to everyone past and present.

WHAT OTHER INTERESTS DO YOU HAVE? I love reading and I play Bridge, I also knit and can crochet. Outside of playing bowls I played tennis, hockey and golf. I am a Life Member and Patron of golf as well.

Thank you for letting us get to know a bit more about you Marjorie.

MEN'S BOWLS

Hello again to all the men's bowlers and supporters. Club events as follows:

Triples The finalists have been decided with Mr 1%, Mr Jones, and Papa Smurf up against "Tiger" Smith, China and yours truly. The result of that game will be provided in the next issue.

Consistency Meikle J is up against yours truly, with no date set for that match.

Handicap 3rd Round The man with the champion partner, Graham Merkel, defeated Tiger Smith. And in a match befitting a championship, Mr 1% clawed his way back after being well down to "pip" Duck on the last end. Beautiful bowling from both gentlemen. The final match in that round sees best mates, the man from Wantagong playing Meikle J, good luck to both bowlers.

The noms for the Pairs is still open and closes 26th Nov, so if your name isn't in do so!!!!

Twilight Bowls We are 2 rounds into this year's event and the 1st four placings are: 1 = Dags on 38¾, 2 = Alpaca Allstars on 37¾, 3 = Black Balls on 34½, and 4th on 25¼ is Joyce's mob. Enjoy the rest of the matches, having fun is what its all about, (there is some good potential on display).

Social Bowls on the usual days Tues, Friday and Saturday at 1.30 and Sundays at 10.00.

That about wraps it up enjoy your bowling and keep

GOLF

5 Nov **Dad's Army 9 holes:** Winner Trevor Britton, R/up Phil Spokes, 3rd Ian Wettenhall. Naga Mark Lowry. NTP 10th Gordon Webb, 16th Ian Wettenhall.

12 Nov **Dad's Army 9 holes:** Winner A. Atherton, R/up I. Wettenhall, 3rd Mark Smith. Naga was a toss up.

Veterans 18 holes: Winner A. Atherton, R/up I. Wettenhall, 3rd M. Smith. NTP 3rd M. Smith, 10th P. Spokes, 16th G. Webb.

We are getting good rollups at the Twilight Golf of a Friday evening. Hit-off time is any time after 4pm and cards to be in by 7-30 pm. Last week's winner was Lee Parker and runner-up was Jenny Papworth. Well done to both of you.

Saturday 21st November is our AGM. The day will start at 9-30 for a 10-00 am start with a two person Ambrose/ 14 holes of golf, then lunch, followed by the presentations of trophies to the year's winners and then finishing with the AGM.

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TENNIS The tennis season is well under way and the Holbrook teams are faring well in most grades. **Sect 1** is 2nd on the ladder behind Burrumbuttock who have 16 pts. Holbrook 14 pts. Jindera is next on 10 pts as is Howlong. In **Sect 2** it is bit of a log jam at the top with 4 teams on 14 pts, Holbrook Green is on 8 pts and the Gold side on 6 pts – but a long way to go. **Sect 3A** sees the experienced Brooker team second on 12 pts behind Culcairn on 14 pts. Pleasant Hills is also on 12 pts in 3rd spot. In **Sect 5** Holbrook is sitting in 5th spot on 8 pts behind the leaders Walbundrie and Pleasant Hills on 14pts. In **Sect 6B** the young Holbrook players have had 1 win, 2 wash outs and 2 losses to still be in touch with the leading teams. There are 13 teams in the grade so it will be while to sort out who the top teams are – but keep playing, kids. Results up to Nov 7.

The mid-week hit-up is proving popular on a Wednesday evening, so come along and enjoy 1 set or 3 and also refreshments afterwards.

Annual subs are coming in and please let your captain know when you are paying. EFT is available – details from Emma or Stephan

The draw for the next 2 weeks: **Sect 1** away to Henty White on Nov 21 then away to Howlong on Nov 28 **Sect 2 Green** at home to Walbundrie on Nov 21 then away to Jindera Eagles **Sect 2 Gold** at home to Burrumbuttock then away to Culcairn on Nov 28 **Sect 3** play Walla Nth Walla at home then host Culcairn on Nov 28 **Sect 5** have Culcairn at home then Pleasant Hills at home **Sect 6B** are away to Jindera on Nov 21 then play Walbundrie at home

MEN'S SHED

The Men's Shed is going along nicely at the moment with small refurbishment jobs coming in each week, plus guys working on their own projects as well.

We are having a garage sale on the weekend of the 21st /22nd November in line with garage sale trail initiative, we will be selling some antique tools and collectables, also some red gum slabs most of which are about 1.5 mtrs long 900mm wide and 50-70 mm thick, priced from about \$200 at the top going down to about \$70, and a lot of other stuff that we need to get rid of so we have a bit more room in the shed, so please come along and have a look, as this is a fundraiser towards our new shed, we will be open from 0900am till 2.00pm on both days.

We would also like to thank Cathryn Cottrell and the knitting/craft group for the gift of some hand sanitiser and alcohol wipes. They are much appreciated.

GREATER HUME COUNCIL LIGHTS UP FOR ROAD SAFETY

Sunday 15 to Sunday 22 November 2020 is National Road Safety Week, and to promote the event Greater Hume and Lockhart Shire Councils are running competitions asking residents to decorate their front gate, letterbox etc. in yellow, take a photo and send it to their Council to be considered for the top 5 most creative entries and win one of five, \$200 gift vouchers.

During National Road Safety Week the iconic HMAS submarine in Holbrook, will be lit up in yellow lights and Lockhart's renowned metal sculptures will be decorated in big yellow bows supporting the key message, **drive so others survive**.

Every year, approximately 1200 people are killed and another 44,000 are seriously injured on Australian roads. These numbers are growing every year but are preventable if we choose to Drive So Others Survive!. National Road Safety Week is an annual initiative from the Safer Australian Roads and Highways (SARAH) Group, partnering road safety organisations and Government. The week highlights the impact of road trauma and ways to reduce it.

Competition details and the daily themed National Road Safety Week messages will be shared on Council's Facebook pages and detailed competition details can be found on both Council websites.

TALES FROM LADY GAIL'S BOOKSHOP AND CURIOS

Not wanting to throw sets of encyclopedias out just because they are obsolete, I had accumulated a lot, in ages and quality of publications. Sometimes someone who had always dreamed of having a set of Brittanicas would see them at \$30 the set and couldn't resist. Other sets, as nice as their red and gold bindings may look, just sit. One day I had a phone call, the man asking, "Do you sell books by the metre?" Not sure what he meant I said, "Yes, how many metres do you want?" He went on to tell me he needs enough for 20 shelves in a library scene in a play, an important play.

"But they have to be affordable. I'm in Melbourne. I will come to get them if the price is right." We discuss encyclopedias, Readers Digest condensed books. He realises I know exactly the sort of books he wants. A station wagon and a trailer load full later, off he goes, under budget, very pleased. So was I.

A few days later I get a phone call, his tone was tentative. I thought, please don't tell me you want to return them! Breathe easy.....he wanted some more. You beauty!



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- Wed 18 Ladies' Social Bowls 10.00am
Holbrook Art Group 5.30pm
Twilight Bowls 6.00pm
- Sat 21 **Holbrook R.S. Golf Club Presentation Day & AGM**
GHSC Garage Sale Trail
- Sun 22 **Anglican Church Service Holb 9.30am**
GHSC Garage Sale Trail
- Mon 23 **Crafty Hands - 7 Fleet St**
- Tue 24 Probus Christmas Lunch @ RS Club
- Wed 25 **Ladies' Social Bowls 10.00am**
Holbrook Art Group 5.30pm
Twilight Bowls 6.00pm
- Thu 26 Women's Health Clinic 6036 2522
Beeswax Wraps workshop 5.30pm @ Library
- Sun 29 Anglican Church Service Holb 9.30am
- December 2020**
- Tue 1 **Sporting Complex Award nominations close**
- Wed 2 **Holbrook Art Group 5.30pm**
Ladies' Social Bowls 10.00am
- Sat 5 **Cottage Garden Market @ 5 Byng St**
Little Billabong CWA Christmas lunch
Anglican Church Service Holb 9.30am
- Mon 7 **Crafty Hands Christmas Party**
- Wed 9 GHSC Aust Day Award Noms close
Ladies' Social Bowls 10.00am
- Thu 10 **Holb Public School Presentation Night**
- Sun 13 Anglican Church Service Holbrook 9.30am
Anglican Service Woomargama 11am
- Tue 15 Service NSW Mobile Service 9am—3pm
- Thu 17 **Women's Health Clinic 6036 2522**
- Sun 20 Anglican Church Service Holbrook 9.30am
Carols By Candlelight (Cancelled)
- Sun 27 Anglican Church Service Holbrook 9.30am

BUSHFIRE FUNDING STILL AVAILABLE

There is another round of bushfire funding available to help fund projects and Greater Hume Council is an eligible area.

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Councils, Not-for-profit organisations, including business chambers, industry associations and charities, Section 355 committees (more details in the guidelines).

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/regional-nsw/bushfire-local-economic-recovery-fund>

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Thankyou from UPA Hostel

Since Covid-19 first affected our little Hostel community back in March of this year, we were never really prepared for how greatly this would impact the lives of our residents. Not only feeling isolated from families and friends but feeling like we were cut off from our town as most of our residents are locals who even in their aged years, have had a strong connection with our community. During this time, we have depended on the Holbrook Happening to keep our local connection.

The Holbrook Happenings has been supporting not only our residents, but the community, by delivering up to date information that is essential when living in a small rural town. The Happenings is informative, and community based which enables us to convey our thanks after Hostel events and to advertise anything upcoming. It has bought many a smile to our residents when reading articles that show the strength of our community, sporting events past and present and the local goings on. Most of our residents compete to get the first copies as they look forward to the history quiz and the "Can you name who's in this picture?" articles which keep many in discussion for hours.

We appreciate the support and commitment in each issue. All staff and residents at the Holbrook Hostel are all very grateful for this service provided and are looking forward to many more issues in the future. We would like to thank the dedicated people who tirelessly give their time to ensure we are kept up to date and in touch with our community news and events.

The Happenings continue to strengthen and serve all our residents with the kind of public service news Holbrook needs, as residents do their best to handle COVID-19 as a community.

Thank you for making a difference to the lives of our residents.



Genevieve Keogh and Alma Fisher



Frankie Cottrell, Margaret Yeo and Ken Taylor

The Holbrook Happenings has been a good friend to the Rotary Club of Holbrook.

Rotary is a community focussed service club – the Holbrook Happenings has been our mouthpiece to the community, telling our stories and promoting our events.

"As a club we have benefited hugely in having a two-weekly newsletter that reaches out to town and country residents," publicity officer and co-president Jenny Kane said.

"Telling our stories gives the local community an understanding of what the international organisation of Rotary is all about.

"People have a better understanding of us as a service club of volunteers that make a difference at home as well as being part of a global network that supports humanitarian projects. In conjunction with Bill Gates, one of Rotary's major humanitarian projects aims at eradicating polio from the world."

Our club's main fund raiser in recent years has been opening night at the Rotary Art Show. The Holbrook Happenings has played a major role in promoting our guest artists and the staging of the art show with excellent coverage in the leadup to the event. Funds raised at the art show contribute to programs that assist local schools, and promote youth leadership skills, healthy eating, fresh-water installations, and mental health projects in the district.

Congratulations to the Holbrook Happenings on your 400th birthday issue. Thank-you Leonie Hibberson, Dom Heriot, Alison Cowie and Rita Bowler and all the volunteers who work towards its production on a fortnightly basis. At a time when we are losing our newspapers, it is a pleasure to feel the pages and be informed of local news.

The Holbrook Happenings contributes to the cohesiveness of our community. Well Done and Happy Birthday!



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FRONT PAGES OF THE HAPPENINGS FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS

2004

1st issue of the Holbrook Happenings published on 25th August

Greater Hume Shire formed incorporating Culcairn Shire, the majority of Holbrook Shire and part of Hume Shire.

2005

ANZAC Day commemorates 90 years since World War 1

2004

Issue 1 Germanton Times first published 120 years ago

2006

Pottery Museum officially opens

Woolpack Inn Museum 35th Anniversary

Launch of the book Three Shires and their Councils

Holbrook Children's Centre 30th Anniversary

2007

Equine Centre Formed ??

Holb & District Race Club 100 yrs of Professional racing

2008

History of the Log Cabin & Scouting were launched

2009

Life membership of the Holbrook Race Club awarded to Rita Bowler & Russell Ross

Citizen of the Year Shirley Breasley

Holbrook CWA Branch celebrates 80 years

Submarine Hologram opened

New Netball Slab poured

2010

Tennis Club Life membership awarded to Alf Stewart

Automatic door installed at Holbrook Stores

Paul Quick sells P&J panels after 35 years

Flooding in the bottom end of Holbrook

Holbrook art show turns 40

2011

Dr Lakshmanan celebrates 40 yrs of community service Betty Winzer, Marilyn McPherson, Margaret McNeill and Beryl Semmler recognised on the Hidden Treasures

Honour Roll recognising rural women volunteers

Inaugural Tour de Hume Sub 2 Sub cycling event

View Club celebrates 19 years

Valentine & Janette Ross awarded life membership of Zone 20 Pony Club

2012

50th birthday celebration for the Pony Club

Big Breakfast held to support Breast Cancer

Holbrook Race Club supports the McGrath Foundation

2GHR community radio move to new home

St Pauls Holbrook celebrates 125 years

130th Holbrook Show

2013

20th Annual Triathlon

Happening in Holbrook Festival

Abigroup support Local facilities

Holbrook Bypass opening

Lions Club Celebrates 40 years

2014

Knitting the Sub- Yarn Bombing it yellow

Red Cross celebrates 100 years

Mrs Holbrook turns 100

New GP's for Holbrook @ the Hume Medical Centre
2015

ANZAC Day 100 years

Private Sale of the Holbrook Log Cabin

Funding success for Yarra Gap

Albury Street reconstruction underway

SES celebrate 60 years

2016

Colin Black joins the Hume League Hall of Fame

Holbrook Veteran Golfers raise over \$10,000 for the

Albury Wodonga Cancer Centre

Silver Jubilee of the Holbrook Hostel

Renaming of the Holbrook Men's Shed to the Arthur

Larcombe Memorial Men's Shed

Early Learning Centre celebrates 40 years of learning

2017

Holbrook Football Club celebrates 125 years

Roger Cooper receives an OAM for his contribution to

Holbrook and the Submarine Museum

Show Society Life Membership to Nano Mackinlay,

Alister McKoy, Janet Kemp & Patsy Wettenhall

New Pool for Holbrook

Houses detected with asbestos start to be demolished

2018

Upgrade to Holbrook Health Service (Harry Jarvis Wing) opened

Bruce Quick Competes as the Commonwealth Games

Phil Downs was recognised with an Emergency Services

Medal as part of the Australia Day Honours.

2019

Celebrating 30 years of Landcare

Netball Club receive funding for new courts

2020

400th issue of the Holbrook Happenings

Mrs Holbrook turns 106

