

HOLBROOK HAPPENINGS

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HOLBROOK CAMPDRAFT 26TH - 28TH APRIL 2024

The Holbrook Campdraft Club has wrapped up another wildly successful annual campdraft. The event is hugely popular on the campdraft circuit thanks to its central location, great cattle, good facilities and entertainment, and fantastic sponsorship and prizes.

The three-day affair attracted some fierce competition but our local riders stepped up and represented well across the leaderboards. The Saturday night Feature Cut-Out event was won by Holbrook rider Lachie Sim on his horse *No Moore Reyn*, with local singer Jess Crossman keeping the crowds entertained well into the evening.

Committee member

Mat Holz and his stallion *Nonda Last Frontier* took out 1st place in the Restricted Open as well as 2nd place in the Open event, with Nick Roe also placing in the Open at equal 3rd. Kelly Boers came a very close 2nd place in the Ladies event. Jock Triggs was runner-up in the Maiden B, and the McCrohon family were also well represented with Annabelle winning the Junior event and Will also placing in the Maiden B.

We extended an enormous thanks to the event's sponsors and local cattle donors, as well as all the many hands that help bring this great event to life each year – the judges, those in the canteen and bar, our ladies and gents in the back yards, gate openers and score keepers, first aid, committee members, and many many others.

If you're keen to get involved in the Holbrook Campdraft Club contact Bec Sim 0437 330 220 and follow our Facebook Page for updates.



Top: John Corbett

Centre: Lachie Sim & No Moore Reyn

Bottom: Mat Holz & Nonda Last Frontier

(photos by Kathy Gabriel Photography)

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MINIKHANA MAGNIFICENT SUCCESS

Holbrook Motorcycle Sports Club first Minikhana Ride Park Day at Austies Speedway, Tumbarumba was a runaway success on Sunday, 28 April.

Many young riders and their families took part in the day which placed a huge importance on having fun whilst they learned basic motorcycle skills and rider control.

Set-up around the motocross track at Austies Speedway, children from 4 to 17 years old developed their skills on several courses where markers and tape dominated the area.

Some of the events included: Orange, Bending, Looping, Slow, Start & Park and Cloverleaf. These exercises, which can be attempted on a 50cc bike up to 85-150cc bike, are specifically designed to build up the skill levels and confidence of younger riders as they move into other motorcycle sport disciplines.

Parents and riders alike were thrilled with how the day turned out.



Keep an eye on the HMCSC Web and Facebook pages for details on the next Minikhana Ride Park Day on 15th June at the Wangoola MX Track, Holbrook.

Other upcoming dates are MX Ride Park, 26th May, and Enduro Ride Park on 9th June.

COOKARDINIA PUB - SOME BACKGROUND

The Cookardinia run was situated on the main road between Albury and Wagga John Post took advantage of the position by building a roadside inn to provide accommodation and other amenities for travellers.

From the early 1860s the hotel at 'Cookardinia' was managed by Elizabeth Stamp. The inn was often referred to as "Mrs. Stamp's hotel".

In June 1866 the Crown Prosecutor, David Forbes, and Judge Francis of the District Court, spent an uncomfortable night at the inn at Cookardinia on their way from Wagga Wagga to Albury. The two men were subjected to flea bites and "a sad deficiency of bed-clothes". As a result Edward Post (John Post's eldest son) was summoned to appear before the Albury Police Court and charged under the Publicans' Act with "not having proper accommodation" in the form of "two proper and well-supplied bedrooms" on the occasion of the visit by the "learned gentlemen". Post was fined 40 shillings and costs.

In 1868 a publican's license was granted to Elizabeth Stamp for the Squatters' Arms Hotel at Cookardinia. In 1869 John Post himself became the licensee of the hotel.

The hotel closed 6th November 1931 with Leslie Post being the license holder.

An internal restoration was undertaken in 1976 for use in the film 'Mad Dog Morgan'.



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COLIN STRONG IS 80

Colin Strong knew that there was to be a birthday lunch to celebrate his 80th birthday but he didn't know that some cousins he had not seen for about 6 years were coming! About 40 relations and a few 'older' friends - some travelling from the Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Maryborough, south of Sydney, Wangaratta, and locally - gathered at the RS club on Sunday 28th to enjoy a lovely roast lunch cooked by Lauren. We also made note of Tom Newton- who grew up in Holbrook, his friend Laurie from Melbourne, John Hassett and Noeline Strong who are all 80 this year. So much talk and laughter as many stories of times gone by were remembered.



L-R: Tom Newton, Laurie Martin, Noeline Strong, Colin Strong and John Hassett

LIONS CLUB OF HOLBROOK

April was a busy month for the Lions Club of Holbrook with 16 Wangaratta Lions coming to Holbrook for a weekend getaway on the 6th and 7th. They thoroughly enjoyed their tour of the Submarine Museum and the Ultralight Airpark. We had a combined club BBQ dinner with a lot of camaraderie. They were quite impressed with what Holbrook has to offer.

Once again the Lions Club supported the Holbrook Races by being the car parking officials. Thanks to Jannion, Jeremy, John, Ian and Ron, who did an excellent job of managing the logistics of parking the large number of vehicles.

On Monday 15th 170 Joey, Cubs and Scouts (5 to 26 year olds plus leaders) stopped in Holbrook on their way to the National Scouts Jamboree in Canberra. After a photo stop at the Submarine the Lions Club catered a BBQ lunch including salads, fruit, slices and liquid refreshments. The Anglican Hall was a great venue. Thanks to all who helped on the day.

We are still collecting old prescription glasses and hearing aids which can be dropped into Lady Gail's Bookshop and Curios.



WHAT'S ON AT HOLBROOK RETURNED SERVICEMEN'S CLUB

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LITTLE BILLABONG-HOLBROOK CWA BRANCH

As last reported we were to cater for the launch of the book, 'Stuck in the Median Strip' by Cheryl Crighton, at the Little Billabong Hall on Easter Saturday. Over 120 people from as far away as Perth attended and Cheryl was overwhelmed with so many being there. A tree in memory of all buried in Lunts Vale Cemetery was planted in the grounds of the hall. There is signage at the Little Billabong wayside stop just south of the Little Billabong-Tumbarumba Road which explains about Lunts Vale Cemetery. **Books are available at Grimwoods Craft Shop - in the Woolpack Inn Museum building.** Our cooks, Brett and Colin Strong served many steak and sausages sandwiches that day.

Our next catering was for the Limousin Cattle Show and Sale at the Sporting Complex on 19 April. We viewed some wonderful cattle that day. Our cooks were John Hassett and Colin Strong, who did great work serving the steak and sausage sandwiches.

Thank you to our men for all your help this year!!

The NSW State Conference began on Monday 5 May in Coffs Harbour. About 12 Murray Group members are attending and no doubt will have plenty of stories to tell when they arrive home.

*John Hassett & Colin Strong
in their CWA aprons!!!*



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ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Greetings to the Holbrook Community,

Pray: Did you know in the Christian tradition that the Easter Season continues long after Easter Sunday? The Easter season is the second-longest liturgical season. Only ordinary time is longer. The Church celebrates the Easter season for 50 days, culminating with the feast of Pentecost which falls on the 19 May this year. So while the Easter Eggs and Bunnies have long left the shelves of the shops we are still celebrating the Easter season!

Live: ANZAC Day March and Service, Holbrook. Thank you once again to the Holbrook RS for organising a reverent and solemn event to honour all Australian and New Zealanders who have served in conflicts across the globe. This year, St Patrick's School were honoured to be invited to lead the march with our students proudly paving the way for the other contingents. Two of our school captains read, with another two students laying a wreath. We look forward to sharing in this moving community event into the future.

Learn: When discussing our school with others the query of behaviour management arises. After all it is a fairly topical subject often reported negatively by the media. I am always so proud to say that we have very minimal behaviour concerns. Our school prides itself on the calm, welcoming and inclusive environment it provides. This doesn't happen by accident. This is the culmination of our staff,

students and families working in partnership to uphold our expectations in creating a safe and secure environment for all. In turn this allows us all to focus on our core business, 'EDUCATION'.



For all enrolment enquiries please contact Sharon in the front office, 6036 2288, to make an appointment or to organise an information pack.

May God's Blessings be with you all.

Melanie Dusterhoft Mavrack, Principal



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Just two weeks after the autumn break, staff and students have dived back into the rhythm of academic life. Our school leaders, staff, and students have already participated in the town and school ANZAC Day services, and on Monday, 6 May, our school leaders attended the GRIP Leadership Day. With the sudden temperature change, many students need additional layers to stay comfortable and protected against the cold; as a result, our uniform shop has experienced a surge in families seeking to purchase cold-weather essentials.

This Friday, 10 May, our students will participate in the annual National Walk Safely to School Day. All students will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school to promote road safety, health, public transport, and the environment.

ANZAC Day: On Thursday, 25 April, Holbrook Public School staff and students participated in the annual town ANZAC Day march. Our school leaders recited poetry and laid a wreath at the Ten Mile Creek Gardens cenotaph. On Tuesday, 30 April (our first day back), we commemorated ANZAC Day at our school. Through our annual service, we ensure that the sacrifices made by our



servicemen and women are never forgotten and their legacy continues to inspire future generations.

GRIP Leadership: On Monday, 6 May 2024, Mrs Purss-Semple had the pleasure of accompanying our school leaders, Will, Lachie, Asher and Jonty, to the GRIP Leadership Day in Albury with 500 other school leaders from around the Riverina. The day's theme was 'Step Forward', which focused on how everybody can step forward and lead, the sacrifices of a student leader, stepping forward with new ideas and doing the things that leaders often forget.



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Gentle Exercises are on every Tuesday 9.30am at the Sporting Complex. Everyone is welcome to come along and improve their fitness and balance.

Sconversations is making a come back on Tuesday 14th May at 10.30am. Why not join us for scones, conversation and a good chat. We will meet weekly at the new pavilion at Sporting Complex. The new building is very accessible, has accessible toilets and there is plenty of parking right next to the building. The only cost is a gold coin donation.

Friday Food will be at RS club on 17th May. Please let us know ASAP if you would like to attend.

King's Birthday High Tea 7th June. Lucky door prizes and fun time guaranteed!

Cooking With Friends is also kicking off on the 12th June. At Sporting Complex. Please let us know if you would like to come along for lots of laughs and a meal with great company.

Transport services can support you to attend appointments, go shopping, visit friends or just get out of the house for a drive. Transport is available locally or regionally.

We are also now able to assist you with your **Domestic Assistance** and **Personal Care** services.

Domestic Assistance can help you with maintaining a clean home, help you change your linen or do some washing, do your shopping and help with meal preparation. Personal Care services can help you with self-care, showering and dressing. If you have a My Aged Care referral and would like our friendly staff to help you, just let us know.

New **Volunteers** are always welcome. Drivers, meal delivery, friendly visitors, any special skills... let us know if you have any time you can donate to helping people in our community remain independent and socially connected.

If you would like to try the meals for yourself or would like more information about our other services call us and we will send you our menu and information. You can call on 6036 3677 or visit our office at 114 Albury Street, Holbrook. Or you can call My Aged Care on 1800 200 422.

HOLBROOK LANDCARE

Farm Labour Survey: We want to hear about your experience as an employer of people in farm-based roles!

With the support of the Southern NSW Innovation Hub, Holbrook Landcare Network is looking to conduct a series of one-on-one interviews with local mixed farming businesses who have experience employing farm labour.

These interviews will contribute to a growing evidence base of factors, which influence local farm businesses' capacity to attract and retain farm labour through our 'Supporting On-Farm Labour During the Dry Times' Project.

If you're interested in getting involved in this project visit our Project Page to read more <https://holbrooklandcare.org.au/projects/on-farm-labour/>. Contact Jess Armstrong, jessarmstrong@holbrooklandcare.org.au

Save the Date - 7th July [more details to follow]

As part of BirdLife Australia's Southern NSW Birds on Farms project, of which HLN is a proud project partner, we will be running a **plant giveaway** on 7th July for HLN members and BirdLife Australia Birds on Farms project partners.

Last year's event was a wonderful success, with 1,200 plants given away, an enthusiastic crowd of 30 attendees, and 27 bird species observed on the morning's walk!

Make sure to keep an eye on the HLN socials and website for more details.

HOLBROOK VACATION CARE

Holbrook Vacation Care was a super fun time! The children had a blast bouncing around on the jumping castles at Inflatable Funhouse in Albury. Big thank you to Trish Shea for driving the bus so that the children were able to go. The children explored some new and existing businesses including the Holbrook paddock eggs big thank you to Sam for showcasing the process of how the eggs, get from the farm to the store. Thank you to Bec Sim and volunteer Morrie Jeppeson for the in-depth knowledge of the submarine how it came to the town and how Holbrook got its name. It was great for the children to learn about the heritage of their town and they asked lots of questions. We also had a sausage sizzle at the park and explored the skate park. The feedback from the parents and children about the program has been great and we are preparing for the next vacation care in the July school holidays.

If you would like your child/ren to come and have some fun in the holidays please reach out to Kimberly Jeffries, Centre Director, by emailing kjeffries@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au



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GOLF

The Lion Golf Cart, that we are conducting an online raffle for, is now on display in the RS Club. The raffle is to raise much needed funds to upgrade some of our maintenance equipment and facilities. Please consider buying a ticket and supporting our club.

For ANZAC Day we held our traditional Two Up Cross Country golf event. Winners were M. Toll and M. Winnett.

Women's Golf 17 April 15 women played. 18 hole Stableford winner: Liz Plunkett 33pts, R/up Sol Webb 31pts. Our 9 hole Stableford competition was won by Skye Trescowthick 23pts, R/up Sally Williams 19pts. We also had our Inaugural Monthly Captain's Choice 9 Hole Comp, which this month was Bingo, Bango, Bongo and this was won by Yvonne Roach.

Holbrook women golfers took the bus and trailer to Corryong to play in their Charity Parkinson's Day. Congrats to Sol Webb and her partner Tameeka Mulquiney who won the day. Liz Plunkett and Skye Trescowthick came second.



1 May 18 holes stroke Monthly Medal - winner Sol Webb 74 Nett, R/up Teresa Waters 75 Nett. Mabel MacKenzie Brooch winners (VWGA) Div2 - Liz Plunkett, Div 3 - Teresa Waters, Senior Veteran - Chris Spokes. 9 Hole Stableford winner - Skye Trescowthick 22pts, R/up Judy Ross 18pts.

Our **Annual Women's Tournament** is May 15th 18 holes Stableford \$30 entry, including lunch, 9am for 9.30 start. Entries to holbrookladiesgolf@gmail.com

Dad's Army 11 April Winner T. Castles, 2nd M. Smith, 3rd J. Maskus. **18 April** Winner L. Ryan, 2nd V. Derbridge, 3rd I. Wettenhall. **25 April** Winner M. Lowry, 2nd M. Smith, 3rd A. Buchanan. **2 May** Winner I. Wettenhall, 2nd V. Derbridge, 3rd A. Buchanan

Weekend Golf 14 April Monthly Medal Winner B. Walsh. **21 April** 18 Hole Stableford Winner G. Webb. **28 April** 18 Hole Stableford Winner P. Spokes. 9@9 Winner R. Lister. Six members travelled to Welaragang for the Graziers Cup two person Ambrose. Sol and Gordon claimed victory. Quicky came second in a team of three and Mark won nearest the string.

The **Holbrook Men's Annual Tournament** is coming up on the 19th May.

RS CLUB BOWLS



Hi Bowlers,

EVENTS: **PAIRS** Final TBA

CONSISTENCY FINAL: Mr. Consistency, Chris Heather, defeated Trevor Lucas. Trevor hasn't played competitively for a couple of years, so a great effort and Chris is like British paints - He keeps on keeping on.

HANDICAP SINGLES: So, the retired painter, Gavin Jones, defeated the bus driver who is trying to retire, Neil Hibberson. Well done to both players.

PENNANT 2025: Final decisions are still to be formatted and all members will be advised.

LADIES TOURNAMENT: The ladies held their annual Triples Medley Tournament on Thursday 11th April, with teams from Commercial, Culcairn, Henty, Lavington, Nth Albury, Tumbarumba, Tumut, Walla Walla and Wodonga.

Events winners were Kaye Haberman's team from Commercial and the runners-up were Hazel Sims' side, also from Commercial. It was a great day, and the Club would like to thank everyone involved in conducting the event. A special thanks to Rowan and Scott for the greens and the RS Club.

This event also marked 70 years of women's bowling in Holbrook. There was some memorabilia on display with old uniforms such as white stockings, hats and skirts. Old rule books and magazines were on display as well as old photos of the foundation members. Our ladies also dressed up in the white uniform, with beige pantyhose and double front petticoat. It certainly gave you an idea of how things have changed over the years. Well, done girls.

SOCIAL BOWLS: Wednesday 9.30am!! / 1.30pm, Friday 1.30 pm and Sunday morning 10am **All new bowlers are most welcome.**

A little story. **A skipper's nightmare.** The skipper has asked his playing partner where the bowl is in relation to the jack. The general response would be that the bowl is either jack high, passed the jack or in front of the jack. The new response seems to be "It's next to it"!!!

Good bowling watch your bias, Kui

CRICKET CLUB PRESENTATIONS

The Holbrook Cricket Club (HCC) would like to thank the following for their help and support during the 2023/24 season; our major sponsors- Holbrook RS Club, Holbrook Stores IGA/Mitre 10, Emerald Landscaping & Maintenance, Mackinlay Fencing, Brett Strong Rural Services, Holbrook Bakery, Lieschke Motors Holbrook, Pitzen Land and Livestock, Dodds family and the Woomargama Hotel. The HCC would also like to thank Matt Pitzen, John and Wendy Murdoch, the Holbrook Tennis Club, the Holbrook Adult Riding Club and all businesses and individuals who provided goods and services for the trivia/auction night and all people who attended the evening and the RS Club patrons. Also the Holbrook Football Club, the Holbrook Sporting Complex Board, Greater Hume Council and staff and the Holbrook community. The HCC looks forward to that support continuing in season 2024/25.

Holbrook Cricket Club Trophy winners 2023/24:

U/13s Batting Ollie Cardile, Bowling Ned Dodds, Fielding Jye Livermore, Most Improved Curtis Hallsbree, Coach's Award Will Glass

U/16s Batting Eli Toll, Bowling Nick Robards, Fielding Ned Harrison, Most Improved Dom Valena, Coach's Award Klay Liddell

B Grade Batting (Bert Haynes) Sam Joyce, Bowling (Peter Wornes) Ben Jones, Fielding (Barry Wishart) Jackson Gibbs, Captain's Award Cooper Glass

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May 2024

- Thu 9 Storytime (0-5 yr olds) 11am @ Library
Fri 10 **OMNI**
Sun 12 Mothers' Day
Tue 14 **Holb. Bus & Community Grp meeting
6.30pm @ RS Club**
Wed 15 Holbrook Women's Golf Tournament
Sat 18 **Holb Working Cattle Dog Competition**
Sun 19 Holb Working Cattle Dog Competition
Holbrook Annual Men's Golf Tournament
Wed 22 Holbrook Sheep & Wool Fair Schools' Day
Thu 23 **Holbrook Sheep & Wool Fair**
Storytime (0-5 yr olds) 11am @ Library
Fri 24 **Sheep & Wool Fair - Young Judges comp**
OMNI
Sun 26 **Holbrook Motorcycle Sports Club MX
Ride Park**
Tue 28 Probus 11am @ RS Club

June 2024

- Sat 1 **Albury/Holbrook Polocrosse Carnival**
Sun 2 Albury/Holbrook Polocrosse Carnival
Fri 7 **Lankey's Creek Happy Hour 6.30pm**
Sun 9 Holbrook Motorcycle Sports Club Enduro
Ride Park
Mon 10 **Holbrook Basketball Men's Semi Finals**
Tue 11 Holb Basketball Women's Semi Finals
Wed 12 **Holbrook Show Society AGM 6.00pm**
Thu 13 Storytime (0-5 yr olds) 11am @ Library
Fri 14 **OMNI**
Sat 15 Holb Motorcycle Sports Club Minikhana
Park Ride Day @ Wangoola MX Track
Mon 17 **Holbrook Basketball Grand Finals**
Tue 25 Probus 11am @ RS Club
Thu 27 **Storytime (0-5 yr olds) 11am @ Library**
Fri 28 **OMNI**
Sat 29 **Football/Netball Club Ball**
Sat 29 Bald Archies exhibition opens in Holbrook

July 2024

- Fri 5 **Lankey's Creek Happy Hour 6.30pm**
Fri 12 **OMNI**

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The service will be held at St Matthew's Church Albury 10th May at 12pm. Viv lost her 3 year battle to ovarian cancer and is reunited with Pete, 13 years to the day.

Viv touched the lives of so many families in Holbrook. Firstly, as a primary school teacher and then for many years as a pre-school teacher and director, nurturing the lives of children and their families. In lieu of flowers the family ask for donations to Albury Wodonga Cancer Trust or Ovarian Cancer Australia.

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