



St Michael and All Angels, Hall

New Priest-in-Charge

The Rev'd Trish Stuart-Smith has landed in Hall. Trish has been appointed as Priest-in-Charge of St Barnabas Charnwood and St Michael and All Angels Hall. Fresh from a Sabbatical season after leaving her previous parish, The Good Shepherd, Curtin, Trish is embracing this new appointment with great enthusiasm. She has worked in both country and city parishes, and loves the local life, activities, friendliness and fun that a place like Hall offers.

Trish is married to Peter and they have three adult children living far and wide. She and Peter spent many years living in Bush Camps in the Northern Territory as part of Peter's work as a geologist. They originally met in the Motor Cycle Club at University when Trish was secretary of it and have loved finding opportunities for adventure wherever they live. Their family grew up canoeing a different river each year, far from civilisation.

In 2008 Trish and Peter spent their long service leave filming the World War II Catalina bases, especially the ones where Peter's father served during the War as a Catalina Captain. To do this Peter built, over three years, an amphibian aircraft in the Curtin rectory carport. They flew their two seater sea plane all the way around the Australian Coast anticlockwise, with Peter in the left hand seat and Trish filming from only 500 feet above the ground. They also flew across Torres Strait up to Horn Island – and Trish says, ask her about “what the wind was like around most of the coast.” They have some extraordinary footage and still photos of an incredible journey that they hope to use to help support a working Catalina being restored and used as a flying memorial at Rathmines, the old WWII Seaplane Training Base. They have recently returned from flying over the Channel country in flood and Lake Eyre, including alighting on the Cooper Creek at the Dig Tree.

Trish is a history buff, having taught history at Telopea Park High School in the 1970's, after being blown south when Cyclone Tracy hit Darwin. She also had a career



in Counselling, with a specialisation in relationship counselling, training with Relationships Australia, and doing a Master's degree in it at the University of Canberra.

Trish is passionate about God and how much God cares for all people, and is passionate about people. She loves helping people find authentic, and personally unique ways to connect with God.

Trish and Peter are both looking forward to getting to know the Hall community and hope to become involved in its life as time and opportunity permit. They see the role of the church as being an integral part of the community around it and look forward to hearing the stories that make up this history.

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Broadband for Seniors—Can YOU help?

Broadband for Seniors is part of the wider Australian Government initiative “Making Ends Meet - Plan for Older Australians, People with Disabilities and Carers”. The Australian Government through the department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) is committing \$5 million each year over 3 years (2008-09 to 2010-11) for NEC Australia Pty Ltd to develop and implement a Broadband for Seniors initiative.

Under this initiative the needs of older Australians wishing to be trained in the use of the Internet will be met by the creation of approximately 2,000 BFS Internet kiosks.

What are the aims of Broadband for Seniors?

Broadband for Seniors aims to:

- provide older Australians with access to computers and the Internet via free Internet kiosks,
- support seniors to gain confidence and build skills in using new technology,
- address the issue of older Australians feeling isolated and ‘left behind’ in a technological age, and
- build community participation and social inclusion amongst older Australians.

What is the planned outcome for Broadband for Seniors?

The planned outcome for Broadband for Seniors is to increase the confidence and skills of older Australians in using computers and the Internet, as well as helping to build their community participation and social inclusion. The program teaches seniors the basics of how to use a computer, Internet Explorer, Gmail and WordPad.

Benefits

The program will gift kiosk equipment to clubs and organisations at no cost and provide, where needed, broadband access until end of June 2011.



This initiative benefits community clubs and organisations that provide senior services and activities and want to encourage greater participation by senior Australians. It will expand their service offerings to include new technology equipment and a broadband service to form a focus within a club or organisation’s area.

This initiative is aimed at people aged 50 years and over who have never had the opportunity to learn how to operate a computer or explore the Internet and who feel threatened by this technology or believe it is too late to learn. People in this group who have a desire to learn can freely do so with help from their peers in a familiar environment. They will learn how to use a computer, how to explore information on the World Wide Web and how to stay in touch with friends and family online. The Broadband for Seniors concept is to provide a seniors-friendly environment where they can come and learn basic computer and Internet skills.

Editors Note... YOU can help!

We are lucky enough to have one of these kiosks located in the Hall Cottage (Principal’s residence) in the grounds of the Hall Primary School. Volunteer tutors are needed to help with this program. I have personally volunteered and will be starting by checking out the online tutorials which will make my task easy, methinks! I will give a report in the Christmas issue of the Rural Fringe. If you can spare a small amount of time each week to help with this program please give Bill Pearson a call on 0419 489 606 or send him an email on bill@hallstudio.com.au and he will get you started. What a great way to contribute to our community!



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Some people find cutting back the existing daily food intake by 30% easy. Others have more success with a complete change to a special prescription weight loss diet.

Make sure you eliminate all high calorie foods. Avoid pet

mince, fatty meat, marrow bones, lamb, pork, bacon, puppy foods and supermarket treats. Kangaroo bones are leaner than marrowbones or lamb flaps.

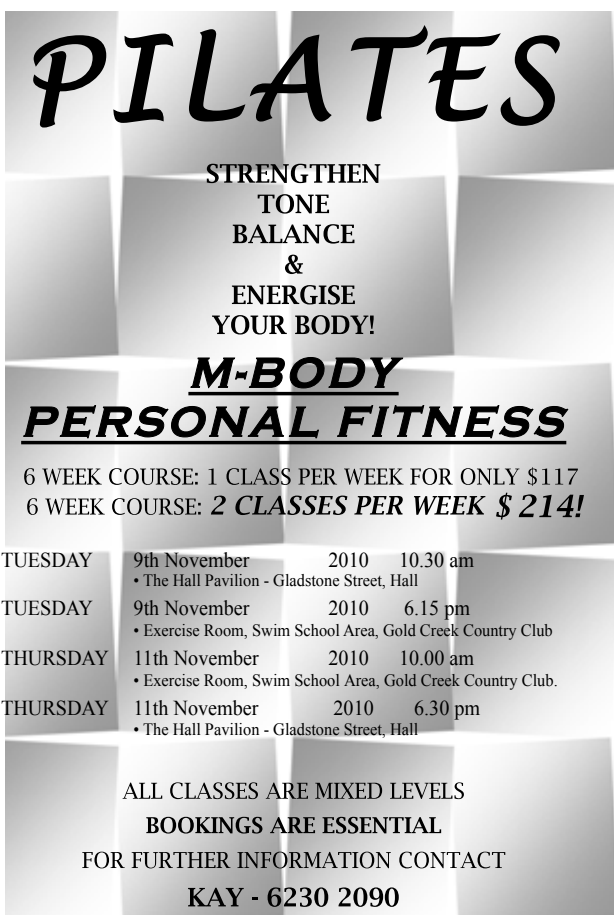
Greenies, vege ears, rawhide chews provide entertainment and make dogs feel satisfied. Carrot sticks and slices of apple are good low calorie treats or rewards for good behaviour.

Never leave food within reach of your overweight pet. Pets love the gourmet delights of compost, garbage and horse feed bins as well as unattended pots or plates. During the period of weight reduction close the door on your pet at family meal times to avoid the temptation of feeding him from the table.

Make only one person responsible for meals so that you don't find that everyone in the household has given in to those mournful eyes. All meals should be fed in your pet's bowl. If you are worried about the reduced portions a smaller bowl makes small amounts look more.

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Gold Creek Future

There has always been uncertainty about the origin of the name 'Gold Creek'. Some say it was named after the race horse Jim Rochford who was related to Edmund Rolfe's second wife Margaret O'Keefe maintains that the Rolfes (1840s) were preparing a chicken for the table and detected traces of gold in its claws. Hence they named the place 'Gold Creek'.

John Bruce and his wife Liz moved into 'Gold Creek' in 1963. Bruce's financial success came from ready mix concrete businesses. John Bruce engaged Roger Torpy as his farm manager. 'Gold Creek' was given a complete refurbishment with Parramatta's 'Elizabeth Farm' as a model. The nearest Canberra suburb was Lyneham.

The National Capital Development Commission controlled urban development. It was agreed that low-density urban development would co-exist with urban parks and allow farmers such as the Bruces to continue with rural businesses. The CSIRO experimental station at Gininderra supplied hundreds of popular trees for the 'Gold Creek' farm complex. Merino sheep were introduced. In 1963 an airstrip was constructed at Harcourt Hill to seed and fertilise the property. Sunny Corner (950 acres) was acquired and later Mara Mu (770 acres) across the New South Wales border was added.



By 1970 beef cattle had been introduced. John Starr arrived in July 1970, ready to help set up a Hereford study with introduction of artificial insemination.

John Starr achieved huge gains in quality and quantity by utilising breeds such as Simmental and Maine Anjou cattle breeds.

John Starr's success with AI triggered business expansion and alliance of business interests. The shareholders of Gold Creek Pty Ltd were one such alliance which created businesses such as the function centre Gold Creek.

Security of the site was always an issue the problem partly solved when Laurie Killeen and family moved into the homestead. The function centre also became a rehab centre for orphaned kangaroos, young roos recuperated for approximately 18 months until they could fend for themselves and then released back to the wild. The Gold Creek hayshed was renovated and opened in early 1978 as a low-priced alternative function centre.

Murrays Coaches and Trans Australian Airways were keen to get a slice of the established American tourist market. The American tourists were treated to sheep mustering and shearing demonstrations. 'Tralee' had a native animal enclosure. Catering staff presented an 'ozzie' barbecue and take home a jar or Vegemite.

Meanwhile at Gold Creek John Starr and his kelpie Don mustered merinos, threw a boomerang, gave a shearing demo, reeled off local yarns to coach loads of tourists.

Tralee hosted 100,000 people a year. John Starr at Gold Creek had a more laid back approach and smaller groups. Bus loads of Japanese tourists loved the Gold Creek cuisine.

By 1981 a new group of owners controlled Gold Creek homestead. Take away food served from the hayshed supported the National Capital Rodeo held nearby. Canberra Soccer Club organised annual soccer training camps at Gold Creek. John Warren and partners signed a 99 year lease on the Gold Creek homestead property and contemplated building a winery.

By 1991 the white marker pegs of the developers were visible from the homestead at Gold Creek. 1993 the bull dozers appeared at Nichols and later the Homestead

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was surrounded by development. Gold Creek Homestead declined during the mid 1990s.

The future looks very promising for Gold Creek Homestead. The long drought is over, the paddocks are full of feed, the dams are full, cattle and sheep prices are high, and Craig Starr has many new ideas for the future of Gold Creek .



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Our Big Trees

Many of you will be aware that the trees at Hall Primary School are receiving some much needed maintenance to ensure they are around for many more years. Unfortunately a small number of the trees had deteriorated to the point where they were presenting a risk for the safety of those at school. Admittedly it was only a small risk however even the appearance of the trees was not particularly attractive as they had little foliage.



Our trees are very special for a number of reasons. Firstly they were planted well over 80 years ago so they are an important link with the past. If you take the time to stand at the base of a tree and peer upwards, the numbers of birds who love these leafy umbrellas will astound you. Students create all kinds of stories and games amongst the exposed roots of the trees - and there are favourite trees! The trees and an abundance of colour provide an environment that is quite unique and one that is a particular attraction for parents wanting their children to come to our school.

Our plan is to set in train a regular care and maintenance program for the trees. Steve Griffiths who is managing the present work is a qualified arborist. He recently gave a very informative presentation at a Hall P&C Committee meeting. A number of the trees have become stressed because the soil in adjoining car parks has become compacted.

To counteract this influence Steve will be deep root fertilising and "injecting" those who are battling infestations by borers.

We have been assured that come spring our trees will be looking ever more beautiful.

CARMEN RYAN
Acting Principal
Hall Primary School

Our Little Trees

In spring last year Hall Primary School's Years 4 & 5 planted seeds supplied by Greening Australia. Then in March 2000, the seedlings were thinned, weeded & transplanted, as part of the ongoing care from 4/5.

Below are two reports from students who participated in the most recent planting...

On Wednesday the seventeenth of May, years 4,5,6 went on a tree planting excursion. We did the planting at Dog Trap Road. We were really noisy when we were getting on the bus. The driver of the bus was Julie. Before we got on the bus we had to put all the plants on. The person I sat next to was Beau. He was annoying. Julie said to us that we were not allowed to have any food on the bus.

When we got there we got off the bus. Mrs Head (a relief teacher) had to free a kookaburra. After that we had to put all the plants onto a ute.

We had to walk down a track. Then we ran down the paddock. We were showed what to do. The holes were already made for us. Then we got into groups. My group was Nick G, Taylor, Joseph, Adam H, Rhys and I. When I planted a tree with Tobias, we had a hole 30 cm deep. All together, the school planted 300 trees.

At the end there was a sausage sizzle. I had three sausages. On the way back I sat on my own. We went straight to class when we got back.

CHRIS

On Wednesday the 17th of May, years 4/5/6 went tree planting on Dog Trap Road in Murrumbateman. We left at 10:00 on the bus and I sat next to Natalie Strang. It took ½ an hour to get there.

When we got off the bus we had to unload the plants and put them on to a ute. Then we had to walk to a field and put our bags down and listen to Susie who talked to us about planting the trees. Then we had to get into groups of eight and start planting. My partner was Charlotte. Charlotte and I found a good place to start. We started off slowly and then got faster and faster.

At about 12:00 we had recess and stopped for about 15 mins. Then we started work again and Becky came and helped us. About ½ an hour later the watering truck came and we started to water the plants. We went along the aisles with buckets. At about 1:00 we got our bags and went up and got our sausage sizzle. We ate them and played around for a while.

Then the bus came and Kirby and I ran back to get a seat but we had to wait for the teacher. It was a bumpy ride back and I sat next to Kirby.

The teachers told us when we got back we planted 300 plants. It was a good day!

HANNAH BRYDIE-WATSON

Murrumbateman Field Days

As the largest fundraising event on the Murrumbateman calendar, Murrumbateman Field Days relies totally on the support of the local community. Check out our website at www.mfdays.com

Last year we raised over \$150,000 for local organisations and projects and provided local businesses with a cash injection of over \$100,000. This included \$20,000 distributed between Rural Fire Services, Scouts and SES- for their services for parking, ticket sales, rubbish collection, toilet cleaning, security and First Aid.

But we need your help: If you can spare a few hours **before, during or after 16-17 Oct**- we'd love to hear from you. *Some of the jobs are :* Set Up Crew, (some up to 4 weeks in advance); Gate Caretakers; Straw Bale Deliverers ; Site Patrols; Control Room Operators; Fix It People; Adventure Trail Assistants; Site Judges; Ground Clean Up Crew

As a volunteer you will receive free entry into the event, meal tickets and a volunteer pack with water, sun screen, t-shirt and hat.

If you can give some time and effort to help run the 2010 Murrumbateman Field Days, **please phone the Volunteers Coordinator (Jean Roberts - 6227 0113) or the Field Days' Office (6227 5895- Mobile 0447 275895) by September 20.** Email admin@mfdays.com

If you can't volunteer with us, then perhaps consider helping out the many local groups: Lions, RFS, Souts, SES, Churches, MECCA. See the contact details in the www.murrumbateman.org.au website.

Early bird tickets: Until the 14th Oct 2010. We're offering locals the opportunity to purchase \$12 Adult tickets (discounted \$3) in advance of the show – this will save you from lining up for entry on the day too. Available from the rural shops at CRT Hercules St and Landmark at Yass.

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Hall Rugby

Season 2010

The Hall Bushrangers came of age in 2010 mixing it up with the big clubs in the revamped 1st Division competition which replaced the 3rd and 4th competition as well as the Monaro 1st Division competition. In addition in taking on traditional rivals Cooma, Goulburn, Yass, the Bushrangers also took on Royals, Queanbeyan, Easts, Uni-Norths and a much stronger Tuggeranong Vikings outfit.

The 2nd Grade side was unlucky to miss the play-offs with some strong performances towards the end of the season. They started the season strongly but injuries took their toll on the side during the middle of the season. However they came back very strongly in the last few games and they showed a lot of character and spirit throughout the season. A great effort by all the players and coaching staff in a much tougher competition which was won by Tuggeranong Vikings over the Gungahlin Eagles.

The 1st Grade side had a stellar season with 9 wins and 5 losses in a competition where the standard of play was much higher. The side stepped up and finished 4th on the ladder. The boys then had to take on reigning Monaro Premiers Goulburn in the minor qualifying final and won the game 21-18 in what can only be described as one of the best games of rugby seen with very little between the sides. The Bushrangers then took on the Gungahlin Eagles who had been trounced 36-0 by the Vikings the previous week. The Preliminary final was played in some of the most atrocious conditions ever seen after 3 days of heavy rain. In a low scoring match, the Bushrangers held on grimly to a 5-3 win surviving a missed drop goal by the Eagles with 10 seconds to go.

It was then off to the Grand Final to take on a Vikings outfit that has only lost 2 games all season. The Bushrangers started the day with a Grand Final breakfast with 50 supporters and well-wishers joining the boys. A special thank you to Hall Premier Store for providing complimentary egg and bacon rolls and OJ. A convoy then followed a packed bus to the Vikings football grounds where there were over 100 Hall Bushrangers supporters already there to cheer on the boys in a great show of community support. There is no doubt that our supporters outnumbered all the other supporters and most importantly they made sure that they were heard!

In a great effort the boys fought hard to be down 12-0 at the half-time break with the 2 ties to the Vikings coming from turnovers. The 2nd half saw the Vikings slowly gaining control of the match although the Bushrangers scored 2 tries to go down 37-10. While

disappointed with the outcome, the boys were winners in the eyes of all as the smallest club in the competition had taken on the Goliath of Canberra Rugby and had shown all the other teams about taking the ball forward and showing how's it done.



Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Hall Rugby Club will be held on Saturday 4th December. The time and location will be advertised on www.hallbushrangers.com.au. This is an exciting time to be involved with the Club as a Committee member and all interested persons are invited to contact Shaun O'Connor (President) or David Kinnane (Secretary). There are a number of positions that cover the many facets of a successful and modern rugby club such as the Hall Bushrangers.

For more information contact Shaun on Shaun@territoryenergy.com or David Kinnane at gavid.kinnane@infrastructure.gov.au

Christmas Party

Supporters, players and sponsors of Hall Bushrangers should mark down Saturday 4th December for the Christmas Party. More information will be placed on www.hallbushrangers.com.au as well as the HVDPA website closer to the time.

The Hall Bushrangers would like to sincerely thank all of our 2010 sponsors for their invaluable support.

Capimus Sed Tradimus
(we take, but we pass on)

Clint Summerhill goes to Vietnam

I recently tagged along with the family for a trip to Vietnam and had the best time bunking in with my grandson Anderson. Almost lost him the morning leaving Sydney. He decides to grab his mini suitcase hop in the elevator and head off on his lonesome. We were staying on the 4th floor he was found on the 8th floor.

Lucky he arrived in the lobby (5.45am) with a perfect stranger on the way to reception only to find me reading the morning paper and calling out "let's go Pop".

Spent 3 lovely days in Ho Chi Min, with the aid of a driver and guide we toured the city and saw how the local folk go about their daily lives. Millions of motor bikes everywhere and all driving a slow pace. So different from Australian traffic speeds. Sampled lots of local tucker and thoroughly recommend the experience to anyone heading Vietnam way. Enjoyed a great day on the Mekong River for several kilometres only to find we had to bicycle back and for someone who had not ridden a bike in 42 years, I found it hard to sit down properly for the next 2 days.

We enjoyed 6 great days at a resort north east coastal, did lots of swimming, raided the mini bar, snorkelling, Viet cooking lessons, manicures/pedicures/massages, farmers market tour.



Last 2 days back in HCMC we did the obligatory last minute shopping and a tour of a war Museum showing the lasting and on-going effects still felt to the present time.

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Village of Hall Progress Association

Extract from the Annual Report 2009 – 2010

INTRODUCTION

Committee members are asked from time to time 'what does the Progress Association do?' Our Annual Reports seek to answer this question. In short, we have managed the Hall and district website (hall.act.au) and the Rural Fringe, partnered with government in planning and developing around a million dollars worth of community facilities, won and managed two government projects – one ACT and one Commonwealth – each worth around \$10,000, initiated a Men's Shed, made significant gains in recognition, conservation and interpretation of Hall and district heritage, staged a very popular twilight Concert by the Hall Village Brass Band, supported the National Sheep Dog Trials, and taken on the organisation of the Hall School Centenary in 2011.

Endeavours such as these are in addition to the on-going task of maintaining relationships with local MLA's and representing the interests of the Hall and district community to the ACT government on a whole range of matters.

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Demographics—How does Hall compare to Canberra?



Population Size

	Hall	Canberra
All People	989	311,651



Country of Origin

	Hall	Canberra
Australian Born	82%	73%



Born Overseas - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
United Kingdom	7%	5%
United States of America	2%	1%
Germany	1%	1%
Italy	1%	1%
New Zealand	1%	1%



Age Statistics

	Hall	Canberra
40 to 59	38%	27%
5 to 19	24%	23%
20 to 39	24%	32%
60+	11%	12%
0 to 4	3%	7%



Family Statistics - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
Married	56%	49%
Never Married	31%	36%
Divorced	7%	8%
Separated	3%	3%
Widowed	3%	4%



Religion - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
Catholic	31%	33%
No Religion	25%	22%
Anglican	23%	21%
Uniting Church	9%	5%
Presbyterian and Reformed	4%	3%



Occupation - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
Professionals	13%	12%
Managers and Administrators	7%	6%
Intermediate Clerical/Sales/Service	7%	9%
Associate Professional	7%	6%
Tradespersons and Related Workers	7%	4%




Education - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
Not Attending (Working)	68%	68%
Infants/Primary	11%	10%
Secondary Education	11%	8%
University or other Tertiary Institution	6%	7%
Technical or Further Education	3%	3%



Transport to Work - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
Car (driver)	36%	30%
Worked at home	5%	2%
Car (passenger)	4%	4%
Walked	3%	2%
Motor bike/scooter	0%	0%



Type of Dwelling - Top 3

	Hall	Canberra
Separate house	97%	76%
Flat	1%	9%
Semi/Terrace	0%	12%



Nature of Occupancy - Top 3

	Hall	Canberra
Fully Owned	53%	30%
Purchasing	30%	34%
Rented	13%	32%



Monthly Loan Repayment - Top 5

	Hall	Canberra
\$1,500+	33%	12%
\$1,000-\$1,199	18%	17%
\$800-\$999	18%	19%

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Wattle Park Uniting Church



Spring is here with all its allergies! But that just reminds me of how close Christmas is; and that means a sign of hope for our world. Jesus was born to bring new meaning to God's word and give us all hope that everlasting life is ours – if only we would believe!

Sometimes I think we forget just how much hope the life, death and resurrection of Jesus brings us. It is a hope of love and forgiveness for all, no matter what colour, class or creed you may belong. It is that hope that unites Wattle Park and we wish you all that that same hope brings YOU.

It was with hope that I recently viewed the proposed changes to the Barton Highway and to my delight I found that the planners do have a heart and that they had allowed the dual carriageway to gently curve around Wattle Park. We will lose the current entrance but will have a new right turn lane opposite Church Lane and then a short access road to the current church grounds. Our heritage gates and memorial garden will remain intact and I thank the authorities for their most generous consideration of our submission.

Final times for our Christmas services will be put in the next Rural Fringe, but book up Christmas Eve for our traditional festival of readings and carols – a great evening of worship in a beautiful building: it always appears that Wattle Park is at its best at dusk.

I trust that your allergies are not too bad and that the spring growth after a very welcome wet winter gives you hope for all that lies ahead: and if you can find time, God and the Wattle Park congregation will welcome you every Sunday at 10.30am.

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Hall Showgrounds—Here is our attempt at a picture of Hall back then and the same place today. It is extremely difficult to tell in the top picture exactly where it was taken from but we did our best! If anyone can give us any clues we are happy to do it



Left, below, right and right below...
The many faces of the **Hall Service Station** over the years...

If you have any old photos or stories of Hall and District please email p.robson50@optusnet.com.au to add copies to the archive.





again. It seems apparent that the top picture was taken from higher than ground level but I left my cherry picker home on the day we took the picture below. Where did all those people go? Was anyone you know there? Email us ruralfringe@hotmail.com.



Did you like seeing these pictures?

We have plenty more and will publish them in future issues if you wish. Please email us at ruralfringe@hotmail.com to let us know.

A special thank you to Peter Corrigan for his assistance with this project. Onya Pete!

—Editor



Snippets of news...

Barton Highway closure

Say no more!



The Hall market cancelled for the first time in a decade.

Heavy rain washed out the Sept 2010 Hall MARKET. Bewildered visitors continued to arrive throughout the day. Hartley market officials had done everything possible to alert Canberrans and others that the long established Sunday market was cancelled. The Hall School Museum was open thanks to Elizabeth Burness and volunteers.



Hall Fire shed gets rebadged



The secret connection of Lake George to Lake Hall has been disclosed as a village myth. David Mann, Sport and Recreation Facilities Supervisor, while attempting to pump Lake Hall dry disclosed to our shocked reporter the existence of a small diameter pipe running east from Lake Hall under the old stalls and into Hall Creek. (see photo below). Numerous local identities were consulted to record when the pipe was laid, most had no recall of a pipe even existing. Keep in touch for further reports. —BOB R



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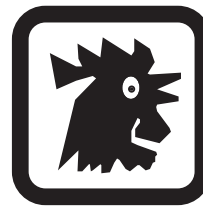
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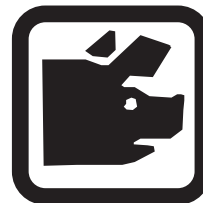
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An Emotional Tour of the Battlefields

Recently we went on a tour of the World War I battlefields in France and Belgium. The visit was made so much more moving because we carried with us the diary of Ros's grandfather, Lieutenant William Brydie, 1st AIF. He had kept a diary (illegally it seems as it was not allowed) which detailed his experiences in Armentieres, Albert, Ypres, Plug Street, Villers Bretonneau and Hamel. We visited them all as well.

In Armentieres we read: "Fired a few shells over Fritz. We had just got our gun back when he returned fire. I had my



gumboots off and was in a dugout when a shell burst quite close and threw a lot of dirt etc. over me. I flew into my boots and out of the dugout an just got out of the way in time. This particular shell you can see and get out of the way of them" (18 December, 1916).

"Lieut. Pooley took a raiding party off to Fritz trenches and very few of the men came back as the Germans had barbed wire in their trenches and our men got tangled up in the wire. Well we say "Adieu" to 1916 and look forward to 1917 (which is only a few minutes off) and hope that it will bring peace on earth and goodwill towards men" (31 December, 1916).

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In Albert we saw the Leaning Virgin on the cathedral past which the soldiers marched and which was renamed Fanny Durack after the great Australian swimmer because the damage had caused the statue to lean as if diving into a pool. There is also a fantastic underground war museum in Albert.

The generosity of spirit of Australians was evident in William Brydie's diary as was his matter-of-fact manner recording the brutality of war:

"The enemy here are mostly Bavarians on this front line. If anyone says they won't face the bayonet they don't know much. They stood and fought the Scots on the parapet but the Scottish gave them hell. I may say they used the steel to some advantage" (18 February, 1917).

It was amazing to walk through Ypres and see this wonderful thriving city that had been decimated in the war, with basically everything destroyed. In rebuilding the city they remained true to the previous architecture and even the designs. We went in search of Mount Kemmel because William Brydie had mentioned that he went there and it gave view of the whole front from the Somme to Messines. And indeed it did.

In Plug Street (Ploegsteert) we saw how close the lines were to each other – described by William Brydie as "A very warm corner" yet he had time to record:

"Shot a rabbit in the wood and we cooked him. We shot another rabbit and we are having him for dinner, living high!" (30 April, 1917). But later on he noted the grim reality:

“They had a terrible time going over. A lot being rendered unconscious by gas shells. Fritz was sending any quantity of them over and they copped the bags, but they stuck it out and gained the objective. The infantry suffered heavily but it was slight considering the extensive advance they made.” (13 June, 1917).



It was amazing to stand where he stood and to try to imagine what it must have been like, for example:



“I had two guns just behind the railway bridge right next to VillersBretonneux railway station..... VillersBretonneux stinks something awful. People are still lying in their shops where they were killed” (12 June 1918).

When a big push was made it was called “a stunt”. William Brydie was involved in one of the most successful by Australian troops led by General Monash at Hamel in August 1918. It was the first known use of what later became the blitzkrieg when Monash used tanks, artillery, aircraft and infantry to overwhelm the German position in 93 minutes! William Brydie notes:

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An Emotional Tour... (continued from page 21)



was lucky it did not get me.....the stunt started at 4.20am. Our boys got their objective and the Australians got 5000 prisoners on their front" (August 1918)

One of his last entries is typical of the rest of the diary:

"It looks as though the Armistice is going to be signed all right. 11th November 1918. It has been too, and a good thing. We won't see any more fighting."

William Brydie returned to Australia, married and had two children: William and Margaret. Each year on Remembrance



Day he would take out his box and read through the diaries before putting them away again. He died in 1978. His daughter Margaret put the diaries together recently and a copy has been given to the Australian War Memorial.

Ros and Hugh also had the opportunity in France of catching up with Hall residents Phillip and Carol Williams who are currently living in England where Phillip is the ABC correspondent.

Hugh Watson and Ros Brydie

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Map over page

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Speaker Damon Cusack, Waterwatch Coordinator
Ginninderra Catchment Group
(park on Hollows Cct Macgregor West)
- Stop 2**
11am West Belconnen Landfill, ACT
Future use; contaminated waste and/or remediation of site.
(Alongside Parkwood rd)
- Stop 3**
11.30 am Red Gravel Quarry Ginninderra Creek, NSW
Existing and future use of site.
Speaker John Hyles, Owner, Tharwa Sands Pty Ltd
(End of Parkwood rd)
- Stop 4**
12.30 Ginninderra Gorge and Falls, NSW
Speaker - Dr Bryan Pratt, Former ACT
Parks & Conservation Director (BYO Lunch to follow)

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For more information contact Chris Watson
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Heritage Matters



HALL SCHOOL PHOTO 1959

If you are pictured here or recognize a relative or friend, please let me know as I would like to put names to the faces.

This photo is a reminder to all of the Hall School Centenary celebrations taking place on the weekend of 16-17 April 2011. If you an ex pupil, teacher, parent or friend please register your details on the Hall Progress Association website at www.hall.act.au and be a part of the celebrations. If you do not have access to the internet fill out the form enclosed in this issue of the Rural Fringe and either send it in or drop it in the box at the Shop. While you're at it why not become a member of the Association at the same time by completing the top of the form?

This photo is part of the Hall Heritage photo archive that is being gathered at the moment. If you have any old photos, articles etc. of Hall, the families, the businesses, the buildings I am interested in copying them and adding them to the archive. You can contact me at p.robson50@optusnet.com.au

Many thanks to Beth Calman who contacted me with her memories of watching the Hall Ladies Cricket team which included Jean Southwell (Miss Jean).

Cheers
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Things from the 'Net...

In an effort to find more interesting and relevant information to print in the Rural Fringe we did a quick internet search on the term 'Hall Village'. The following information will no doubt be very familiar for many people of the village but also there may be many who do not know of it. This was copied from a document called Variation to the Territory Plan No.214 Village of Hall by the ACT Planning and Land Authority dated November 2005...

1.1 Background

Aboriginal occupation around Hall occurred for thousands of years before European settlement in the 1880's. Places of Aboriginal occupation along Halls Creek have been identified in cultural resource surveys in the Hall Showgrounds area and the Kinlyside Valley (Navin Officer 1998). Aboriginal site types recorded in the general Hall area include open scatters of flaked artefacts, isolated stone artefacts and scarred trees.

The Hall village was proclaimed in 1882 and developed using a rectangular grid layout design, commonly adopted in 19th century town subdivisions around Australia. The first sale of allotments occurred in 1886 and the store and post office opened in 1888. Proclaimed in 1883, the Hall Cemetery was the first general cemetery in the area. By 1901, Hall had established as a service centre for the district, with two stores, a hotel, coachbuilder, blacksmith, butcher, shoemaker, saddler and registered dairy. St Francis Xavier Church opened in 1910 and a new public school opened in 1911.



View up Victoria Street 1912 / image from: www.hall.act.au

The Hall village is located in the north western edge of the Australian Capital Territory and has developed as a discrete settlement surrounded by rural uses.

The current population is estimated at around 400 people.

The vehicle approach and entry point to the village is via Victoria Street. Although there is a mixture of land uses within Hall, residential is the predominant use. Most businesses are located between Loftus Street and Gladstone Street. The Hall primary school is located on Victoria Street, north of the main business area and opposite a village reserve. The Hall showgrounds are located to the east of Victoria Street, and Halls Creek Reserve lies on the southern edge of the village.

1.2 Village of Hall Master Plan

The Village of Hall Master Plan, completed in May 2002, aimed to identify the significance and uniqueness of Hall and establish strategies to protect the village and its surrounds from inappropriate development. The master plan was developed in conjunction with the local community and was based on a synthesis of current analysis, community views and previous detailed studies including the Village of Hall Heritage Assessment prepared by Peter Freeman Pty Ltd in association with Robert Bowden and Associates, July 2000. The heritage significance of Hall was recognised with the inclusion of the Hall Village Precinct on the interim Heritage Places Register on 13 August 2001. The master plan has been developed in conjunction with the heritage listing.

To protect the village character as defined by its heritage value, cultural landscape and visual setting, the master plan established the following principles:

- to preserve the rural landscape setting and maintain views both into and out of the village
- to establish village boundaries incorporating significant natural and landscape features and land uses
- to preserve the layout and character of land use precincts within the village, and
- to conserve features of heritage significance.

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If you wish to read the rest of the document you can go to <http://apps.actpla.act.gov.au/tplan/variatio/dv214/finalv214.pdf>

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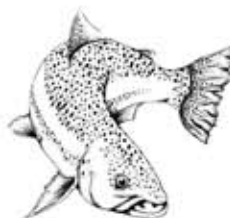
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Guest Speakers

24 August

District Governor Bill Seelis

District Governor Bill Seelis belongs to the Berry-Gerringong Rotary Club. His many other roles include being the Berry show announcer and the Vice President of their local Chamber of Commerce.

Bill provided an inspiring speech, shared some North American wisdom, from 'Don't squat with your spurs on' and relayed elements of Rotary International President (2010-11) Ray Klinginsmith's speech to last week's Australian Rotary conference at Woden.

7 September

St Vincent de Paul – Barbara Knackstedt

Barbara Knackstedt from St Vincent de Paul organised the Vinnies' CEO Sleepout in Canberra on 17 June, attended by 111 CEOs including our erstwhile former president Adrienne. Barbara reported that the CEOs raised around \$354,000, which was an outstanding effort. Barbara provided a summary of the 13 Vinnies' programs that are active in the ACT and praised the efforts of its 600 plus volunteers who were proof positive of Vinnies' motto, 'Ordinary people helping anyone in need'.

Hall Rotary Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)

Gisela Foz (an exchange student from Brazil) and Wayne Roche are students from Melba Copland Secondary School who were sponsored by Hall Rotary to attend the MUNA national program, run by the Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise for selected Year 10, 11 or 12 students and Youth Exchange students. In its 13th year, the program involves formal debating of resolutions in the House of Representatives chamber at Old Parliament House with opening and closing ceremonies. Students also visit the Governor General's house and the Australian National University. Wayne thanked Hall Rotary for sponsoring him and Gisela.

14 September

Marist College Student – JeevenNadanakumar

JeevenNadanakumar is being sponsored by the club to attend the NYSF (National Youth Science Forum) on the 10-22 January at Perth. Jeeven is a volunteer with the Social Justice Group and the Environmental Management Committee. His interests include medical and environmental science and astronomy.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars – Paul Lushenko and Jonathan McCann

Paul Lushenko and Jonathan McCann are both Rotary ambassadorial scholars who are United States of American



Photo by Tam Arnold

academy graduates and army officers. Their base club is Canberra which has many members from the military. The Rotary ambassadorial scholars program includes community service where the ambassadors visit Rotary clubs. So far there have been 40,000 recipients of these scholarships from 100 nations.

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Capital Region Farmers Market & The Four Chefs

The following information is from the website for the Four Chefs which is <http://fourchefs.com.au>

The Four Chefs, Tom Moore from Grazing and Knead Patisserie, Ross O'Reilly from Knead Patisserie, Andy Hollands from Ellacure and Chris Whitlock from Lambert Vineyards, who currently have 10 apprentices between them have got together to run an apprentice development program.

They have recently teamed up with the Capital Region Farmers Market at Exhibition Park as the Market has a very similar philosophy about food and where it comes from.

Together they are presenting the Market Kitchen which takes place at 8.30am on the first Saturday of every month.

“Through the training program and cooking at the new Market Kitchen we aim to educate our apprentices and trainees from farm to plate, focusing on crucial areas like working with local and regional produce and making linkages with local growers,” said The Four Chefs’ Tom Moore.

“At each Market Kitchen our apprentices will have to talk to the growers, select fresh produce from the Market, design a menu then create the dishes in front of the public at the market. In this way the Market helps facilitate a link between apprentices and the farmers/growers”.

At the end of the year the Market will give one apprentice from The Four Chefs project a scholarship to work overseas, giving them invaluable international cooking experience. This is funded by Rotary which has community education high on its list of projects to support.

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Gold Creek Woolshed

The shearing of the Gold Creek flock was completed on Thursday, 5 August in the newly upgraded wool shed at Gold Creek West.

The shearing of the 1547 merino ewes and hoggets was completed in just under three days. The owner Craig Starr was very pleased with the result with the sheep averaging 4.7 kg/head of very sound, bright wool. He was confident that the micron count would come in under 18 microns even though the good season has caused an increase in fiber diameter. The younger sheep will again be used for the sheep dog trials in March next year, they are in strong condition due to the wonderful season.

The contract shearing team of Peter Robinson, from Crookwell, were very pleased with the upgraded wool shed which was made necessary due to OHS issues and the inaccessibility of the soon to be redundant woolshed at Gold Creek Homestead site, where the sheep have been traditionally shorn for nearly 100 years.

Two international tour groups visited the shearing operation, one was from IEC Oceania with a group from Japan, and a group of students from the Phillipines that are studying tourism at the University of Canberra. They are two of many tour groups that regularly visit the Gold Creek Homestead site, and the first to witness shearing in what will become the new tourist venue for Gold Creek Station.



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From the Editor

Time to put another issue to bed... and me to bed too as it is now after 2am and I have to work tomorrow!

I sincerely hope you enjoy the *Then & Now* photographs on pages 16 and 17. Peter Corrigan took all the 'now' pictures (Thanks Pete). We actually took quite a few of them of all sorts of different places in and around Hall. If you would like to see them please email us on ruralfringe@hotmail.com and let us know. I will publish them in future issues. I find them very interesting to see what has happened over time. and I hope you do too

Looking forward to seeing the cover of the next issue... in living colour! That will be our Christmas issue and will hit the streets by 15 December. I would really like to print a fabulous cover story for that one so if there are any budding young reporters out there, get your thinking hats on and find me a story! Take photos (high resolution) and write the article (about 500 words) Email it to ruralfringe@hotmail.com. **I will pay anyone under 18 years of age who submits an article that I use on the front page for the 2010 Christmas issue \$50!** Remember your story must be relevant to the people living in and around Hall Village.

I was fascinated when reading *An Emotional Tour of the Battlefields* by Hugh Watson & Ros Brydie starting on page 20. What a treasure that diary must be and especially now that Lieutenant William Brydie's (Ros' grandfather) footsteps have been followed by his family with the guidance of his diary, it has no doubt brought that book to life for the family.

—Lee Corrigan
Editor

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