THE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF HERMIDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL – JUNE 2009 - ISSUE NO 12

It was with deep shock and sadness that we heard about the sudden loss of Denise Ward recently. Denise was a wonderful spirited lady and a great community member who will be greatly missed. We send our sincere condolences to David, Andrew (who worked with us in 2007) and all the Ward family.

SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE
We welcome to our school our new relief teacher Susan Hawke-Cradock who is based in Nyngan. Teacher Katie Burns has gone to Europe for a year and is enjoying life in London at the moment. Our bus drivers Joan and Kev have returned from overseas and found Dubai very interesting!

BUSHFIRE RECIPE BOOK FUNDRAISER
Recipes are still needed for the school recipe book. Please email them to the above email address or drop into us via mail or fax if you have some to share.

WHERE ARE OUR EX-STUDENTS NOW?
We congratulate Bryan Perry who has made it safely to 21 recently 😊 and has been completing an electrical apprenticeship in Sydney! Jock McLeod completed his HSC in 2007 and has an apprenticeship in Bathurst. Jye Campbell completed his HSC last year and has an electrical apprentice at CSA Cobar. Joel Pitkin is completing an on farm traineeship and Rick Smith at the Tritton Copper Mine. Maddie Dutton and Danielle Barber are both attending University at Charles Sturt University Bathurst. Jaimee and Nick Dutton are attending Uni in Newcastle. Our kids are all growing up fast! Please let us know what other Hermidale students (and residents!) are up to so we can share their news.

BOOK SWAP LIBRARY
Our library is overflowing with books and we’ll need more shelving before we can take any more donations! Thank you so much to all the community donors, esp. Margaret who has kept them coming.

We have a huge range of all sorts of books from biographies to romance to thrillers, so drop in and borrow a book (winter’s a great time to read) or ring us to have a couple sent out on the mail run.

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WOMEN WHO KNOW THEIR PLACE (AND THEIR HUSBAND’S)
Barbara Walters, of Television’s 20/20, did a story on gender roles in Kabul, Afghanistan several years before the Afghan conflict.

She noted that women customarily walked five paces behind their husbands. She recently returned to Kabul and observed that women still walk behind their husbands.

From Ms. Walters’ vantage point, despite the overthrow of the oppressive Taliban regime, the women walk even further back behind their husbands, and seem to appear happy to maintain the old custom.

Ms Walters approached one of the Afghani women and asked, ‘Why do you continue with an old custom that you once tried so desperately to change?’

The woman looked Ms. Walters straight in the eyes, and without hesitation said, ‘Land Mines.’

The moral of the story is (no matter what language you speak or where you go):
BEHIND EVERY MAN, THERE’S A SMART WOMAN

Congratulations to Kerry Dowsett and Ben O’Neill on their recent engagement! And, a happy 70th birthday to one of our community members, we hope you had a lovely day.

HAPPY 18th BIRTHDAY Thomas Dewhurst, Monique Turk (both doing HSC this year) and Mollie Jenkins (nursing). Good luck to Lewis McLeod and James Dutton who are also doing HSC this year and will be turning 18 later in the year along with Rick Smith.

2009 DATES TO REMEMBER
Riverside Caravan Park Market Day – Sat 14 June
P & C Meeting – Wed 1st July
Beach Volleyball Day – 17th October
Hermidale Market Day – to be advised
Nymagee outback music festival – 31st October
Further dates will be on our school website
Please let us know when events are happening.
THE HERMIDALE CELEBRITY PAGE

MY NAME: Jordan K
Nickname: Keiro
Occupation: Student
Where were you born? Nyngan
Fave sport/s to watch? NRL
Fave sports team: The Roosters
Fave subject at school? Maths
What games do you like to play at school? Footy
What’s your favourite dinner? Baked lamb
Favourite drink: Chocolate milk
What’s your favourite TV shows? Family Guy, The Simpsons, American Dad
What’s your favourite music, band or singer? Green Day
If I could go anywhere or do anything for a holiday I’d love to: be near the ocean
A country I’d love to visit: Canada
A great place I have been to is: Fraser Island, Queensland
When I grow up I want to: an airline stewardess
Best thing about Hermidale? Friendship of the people
In Hermidale I would like to see: a coffee shop
I would love to drive: a mobile home
Books I like to read: forensic novels
Favourite colour is: all shades of purple
My favourite toy was: my first 2 wheeler bike
Fave dessert: Pavlova

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MY NAME: Helen M
Occupation: School Learning Support Officer, Farmer and Grazer
Other Occupations I’ve done in the past: Shop assistant and office worker
Where were you born? Auburn, Sydney
Fave sport/s to watch? Soccer and hockey
Fave sports team: The Hockeyroos
Fave subject at school? Sport
What games or sport did you like to play at school? Hockey and netball
What’s your favourite dinner? Baked lamb
Favourite drink: Cocktails
What’s your favourite TV shows? CSI, MASH, Gray’s Anatomy

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What’s your favourite music, band, singer?
Big band music, Paul Robeson
If I could go anywhere or do anything for a holiday I’d love to: houseboat on the Hawkesbury
A country I’d love to visit: Canada
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TECHNOLOGY - the new school website is now up and running. The address is at the top of our newsletter. Old pages will go back on with next stage release later in the year.

School Parents website

Click website
Contains a great guide to all the social networking sites and advice on keeping safe online.

HERMIDALE GYMKHANA 2009
Despite the weather that weekend, the annual gymkhana family day on Easter Sunday turned out to be an excellent place to be. A small profit was made and fundraising will take place to ensure another one can run next year. The committee thank everyone who attended, all sponsors and all volunteers who helped make it a successful day.

Next up - the annual Hermidale Beach Volleyball Day in October!
Website
NEW HERMIDALE PHONE BOOK

Please fill in this page to update your details for the next edition of the Hermidale community phone book or let us know if nothing has changed from the previous book.

We will issue a longer lasting 2 ring A5 binder with dividers so that pages can be inserted or taken out when contact details change.

HERMIDALE COMMUNITY PHONE BOOK ADDRESS UPDATE FORM 2009

Family Names ________________________________________________

Address ___________________________________________________

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Landline ___________________________________________________

Mobiles _____________________________________________________

Name___________________

Mobiles _____________________________________________________

Name __________________

Fax No _________________________________

Email address _____________________________________________

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Do you want to be added to a Hermidale community email list if one goes ahead? □

UHF ____________

Other information : __________________________________________

Hermidale Public School – Fax line is 02 68 330 735 Phone 02 68 330 707

Email address – hermidale-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Postal address: Mouramba Street, Hermidale, NSW 2831

SUGGESTIONS AND NUMBERS FOR THE PHONE BOOK?

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I would like to pre-order a phone book. □

Attached is my payment of $ _________ for _____ copies at $11 each (incl GST).

Any profits from the book will go to the Hermidale school.