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So who, or what, is the S1/4 Cell?

In simple terms we're the small-ish group of officers, warrant officers, soldiers and civilians who supports the COMDT ARTC (through the Chief of Staff) by providing him with accurate, timely and contextually relevant Personnel and Logistic management advice.

As the S1/4 I command the cell, which comprises two functional teams, and one sub-element: 'Pers' (the '1' function), 'Log' (the '4' function) and 'Weary Dunlop' Platoon. The 'Pers' group is responsible for research into, and the compilation, interpretation, application and dissemination of Army/ADO personnel policy across the KMA. Put simply we work out what policies relating to things such as allowances, conditions of service and similar apply to us at Kapooka. And if they don't make sense, then we also draft the Business

Cases that progress through the system to get things changed. The 'Log' team does pretty much the same with respect to logistic policy, but it also provides direct logistic support to 1 RTB through the Central Issue Point/Armoury. Finally, being the resident experts in the management of Recruit transitions 'Weary Dunlop' Platoon recently transitioned itself, from being a functional component of 1 RTB to a sub-element of HQ ARTC under command of the S1/4.

The lives of the Pers/Log staff are often fraught with peril. As that great WW2 commander, General Patton once quipped, "success is how high you bounce when you hit bottom".

Major Ian Thomason
S1/4 HQ ARTC

Mr Magnifico's Party Time



Bronze Package \$175
Standard 40 minute magic show, balloon animals, picture taking, birthday march and Happy Birthday song.

Silver Package \$200
All of the above Bronze Package, plus the birthday child will receive:

- A 8" x 10' coloured photo of Mr Magnifico autographed in gold ink with child's name.
- A hand twisted sculptured balloon animal.
- A Mr Magnifico goody bag containing lollies, balloon, small toy and a pocket magic trick.
- An A3 size laminated colour poster of Mr Magnifico.

Gold Package \$225
All the above Silver Package, plus each child at the party will receive:

- A 8" x 10: coloured autographed picture of Mr Magnifico.
- A hand twisted sculptured balloon animal.
- A Mr Magnifico goody bag containing lollies, balloon and small toy.

For further details contact Andy
Mob: 0431 406 015

Children's Parties - Weddings - School Fetes - Pre-schools - Clubs

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SGT's Mess Events for September

Fri 03 Sept 1630 – 1730

Regimental Happy Hour (families welcome after 1730 h)

Fri 17 Sep 1600 – 1800

Regimental Happy Hour – Officers to SGT's Mess (families welcome after 1800 h)

Sat 25 Sep AFL Grand Final (TBC)

Timings TBA (families welcome)



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Tug of War



The ADCU Tug of War Competition, held on Wed 04 Aug 2010



CO 1 RTB, ADCU Representative (Leonie) and the competition winners, the TSC Team, around the final scoreboard

2010 DEFENCE DISCOUNT REGISTER

Kapooka would like to thank the following businesses for supporting Defence Families:

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Blamey Community Group

Kapooka Community Centre, Sturt Ave, Kapooka, 2661
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Email: blameycommunity@gmail.com

From the BCG President

Hello! Well, this is my first KMA Newsletter as the Blamey Community Group's President and I would like to say that I am thrilled it is jam-packed full of events, activities, family fun and entertainment that the BCG has arranged for the upcoming month! Having been a general member of the BCG for the past 6 months or so I have thoroughly enjoyed all the fun activities, training courses and regular events the previous Committee organised so now that I have happily accepted the role of President for the next year I look forward to continuing the good work – check out yet another jam-packed month ahead thanks to the BCG.

For more information on any upcoming activities please don't hesitate in contacting Michelle (BCG Co-Ordinator) on 69712015 or at blameycommunity@gmail.com for more information or to book a spot!



A New Committee for BCG

Last month saw the BCG hold their AGM and last year's committee gave reports as to what has happened over the year, what changes have been made, what exciting events took place and how proud they were of leaving the BCG in safe hands of the new committee, who were all excited about getting 'stuck-in' and continuing the good work for all Defence and local families alike.

The new BCG Committee are:-
President – Kelly Wolfe
Vice President – Fiona Carmichael
Secretary – Sandy DaCunha
Asst. Secretary – Hannah Penaluna
Treasurer – Nanette Precians
Social Co-Ordinator – Alison Henry

We are still looking for someone to take on the role of Craft Co-Ordinator – someone who enjoys craft activities (they don't have to be an expert, just enjoy learning new craft and helping to co-ordinate each week's Thursday Craft Group).

The new committee would love to welcome you to the Kapooka Community Centre and help them make the next year a fabulous year.

For more info on what is on and when email blameycommunity@gmail.com or check out our facebook page for all the details in the events section

Father's Day Kids Craft Day

We are organising a fun father's Day Craft Day just for the kids! Friday 3rd September at the Kapooka Community Centre, between 4-6pm.

What a great opportunity for your children to enjoy making a Fathers Day card and small gift for Dad just in time for Father's Day (Sunday 5 Sept).

Come and join us and let the kids have fun creating something special (between 4-5pm) and then enjoy a sausage sizzle (gold coin donation) afterwards (5-6pm) at the Centre.

Cost for the craft is just \$2 per child, however bookings are a MUST, so let Michelle (BCG Co-Ordinator) know at blameycommunity@gmail.com or by phone 69712015

We hope you and the kids can join in with the fun!

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Family Bushdance at Downside

Hi everyone my name is Fiona (new VP of BCG) and I would like to tell you all about the Downside Bush Dance that we went too last month.

A couple of families from the BCG went along to the Downside Bush Dance for a family fun night out on 7th August.

Local bush band The Tin Shed Rattlers have been entertaining crowds out at Downside Hall for years and they love it (and it showed!). The night was so much fun, with The Rattlers providing the dance music, bush activities, dance calling & dance demonstrations.

There was a canteen to purchase soft drinks, fresh cakes, biscuits, damper and a sausage sizzle. Which was a real treat. It is BYO alcohol and plenty of room to take fold up chairs and eskies.

We had plenty of room to park the car. We headed for one of the several camp fires to warm up. There were a lot of very friendly faces and lots of families and outside there were plenty of room for the kids to run around and play.

Men, Women & children of all ages were talked through step by step on the moves and gradually got quicker and quicker until before we knew it, everybody was doing a traditional bush dance, smiles and laughing all round. Some were better than others but no one cared because everyone was just having fun!

It turned out, that the small door entry fee was also a raffle. Several surprised happy faces there. A game was played and a lucky person won a terrific prize.

No TV's or play stations this particular night out had the children and adults going home with smiles and good memories

This event is held every month and I wish I knew about it earlier. The next one is on the 4th September and the BCG is encouraging all families to join in the fun and come along with us – because we are all going back again!!!

Cost is just \$4 (adults), \$1 (kids) - it is a great night out and we hope you and the fam will be able to join us.

The Downside Hall is just 8km along the Coolamon Rd toward Juneee (on the right-hand side) but we are organising a bus so if you are keen to join us and would like a lift there & back let us know by contacting Michelle on 69712015 or at blameycommunity@gmail.com.

So put on your dancing shoes and round up the kids, it's time to have some good old fashioned family fun!! Hope to see you all at the next one on the 4th September.

Girls Night In!

Put 7.30pm on Saturday 18 September in your diary - it will be our first-ever GIRLS NIGHT IN!!!!

We will have a fab GNI at the Kapooka Community Centre, it'll be a lock-in with nibbles/drinks/singstar/games and you're invited to attend.

Leave the men & the kids at home and come out for a great night of cheap, fun entertainment with the girls

More details to follow so look out on our facebook site for more details soon!

If you'd like more details on the night contact blameycommunity@gmail.com on by phone on 69712015

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What days/times are you available? (pls circle) Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat Sun Morning Afternoon Evening

Membership just \$2 (incl. discounts/offers) - please send form/payment to: Kapooka Community Centre, PO Box 2255, Wagga Wagga 2650

Something Sticky Bake-Off at KCC

Our monthly 'Bake-Off' days as part of our Monday Morning Tea Group at the Kapooka Community Centre have been very popular, with some amazing delicacies being created and enjoyed by all! So the next Bake-Off day will be Monday 20th September and the theme is, "Something Sticky"

Create a delicious sticky delicacy and enter our Bake-Off. It is just \$2 per item to enter and once you've made your delicacy you can sit back relax and enjoy Monday Morning Tea group as per usual, with the added bonus of taste-testing ALL of the fabulous delights on offer! Great prizes for the top 3 creations, so come on, join in!



School Holiday Activities

We cant believe it is almost school holiday time again. So we have come up with a few fun family-orientated activities for all the family to enjoy over the 2-week long holiday period. Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays over the school holidays will never be the same again! We hope you can join us. Here goes:-

Tuesday 28 Sept, 10am-12noon – Kids Baking Day

Just lots of fun creating, baking & decorating fun cookies and cupcakes for the kids. Cost is just \$5 and includes apron & kids chef's hat for them to take home (along with what they make of course – if they don't eat it beforehand! He he).

Bookings are a MUST – parental supervision please.

Thursday 30 Sept, 10.30am-12.30pm – Airborne Gym climbing wall & gym morning

The kids (and adults) can enjoy having the whole Airborne Centre to themselves and be shown how to climb the climbing wall and enjoy the foam pit, trampolines and more! A great day out for both the kids (of all ages) and adults – so lots of fun for all the fam! BYO nibbles & drinks to enjoy and keep the energy levels up.

Cost is just \$10 p/person (capped at \$30 per fam).

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Tuesday 4th Oct, 10am-12noon – World Space Week Craft Day

This one will get the kids creating, laughing, and imaginations running wild with a fabulously fun Kids Space Craft Day (as part of World Space Week!)

No cost, just BYO recyclables to use in our craft making (ie: plastic bottles, cardboard, newspaper, foil, egg cartons, milk tops etc).

Come on and join us for some fun!



Thursday 7th Oct, 10am-12noon – Zootober!

We have come up with a great way to celebrate the month of ZOOTOBER! Zootober is held each year over the month of October and is an initiative to encourage everyone (no matter what age) to head to a zoo (of some kind) and appreciate and enjoy the animals that amaze and thrill us!

So come with us to the Botanic Gardens where we will meet at the carpark (up near the trains) and head to the Botanic Gardens Zoo Park and enjoy the animals while the kids take part in a fun Zoo Activity Game around the park, followed by games in the gardens and a wee bite to eat!

Come and join us – a great day for all the family.

Friday 1st Oct & Friday 8th Oct, 1-3pm – Kids Newspaper Workshop

After the success of the last few Newspaper workshop's, where the Blamey Kids News team created their very own Newspaper from scratch, we will be holding another two Newspaper Workshop days at the Kapooka Community Centre over the school holidays – where children (aged 8+) can enjoy creating, making, enjoying all aspects of putting together their very own newspaper with latest news, current events & pics.



These 2-hour Newspaper Workshop's will have the kids creating, chatting, learning, enjoying and laughing all the way through, until they create their own phenomenal newspaper, which could be the start of their media magnate careers! The kids will be working with a former Journalist & Editor in this basic newspaper workshop, who will happily show them and talk to them about as much of the industry as they'd like.

Bookings a MUST for this through Michelle (BCG Co-Ordinator) on 6971 2015 or at blameycommunity@gmail.com. The kids can come to one or both sessions. Cost is just \$3 p/child (to help cover costs of printing etc).

Defence Special Needs Support Group

The Defence Special Needs Support Group meets regularly at the Kapooka Community Centre and the next date for meet-up is Saturday 2nd October.

A fab brunch has been arranged for this Saturday morning and is open to all with families encouraged to attend to enjoy a yummy brunch, some great kids entertainment and make the most of the opportunity to chat about what needs you have if you are a carer of a dependent with special needs (everything from physical disabilities to behavioural needs to educational needs and everything in between).

The day also provides you an opportunity as to where you can find help and encourage socialising with other families in the same situation and let the children enjoy some free-play with other kids their age in a relaxed and friendly environment.

So come along to a fab brunch with the fam at the Kapooka Community Centre on Saturday 2nd October, between 10am-12noon and speak with your local DSNSG Co-Ordinator Helen Taylor who will happily provide as much support to you and your fam as you need.

First Aid for You

Have you got your First Aid certificate? No, why not? It is important that we all know what to do in an emergency - and you never know when that might occur. After the success of the recently run St John's 1st Aid course at the KCC in June (and with expressions of interest already flooding in for another date), we are looking at getting your registered interest to participate in a St John's 1st Aid course in October (4hours over a Fri night & 4hours over a Sat morn) and ask that if you are interested in participating you contact Michelle (BCG Co-Ordinator) at blameycommunity@gmail.com or by phone on 69712015. Course cost is normally \$110, however, for BCG members it is just \$60 (BCG membership is open to all and costs just \$2, so don't worry if you're not a member yet, it doesn't take much to join and take advantage of this fantastic price!). Register your interest today - once we have sufficient numbers we will confirm dates/times. BABYSITTING AVAILABLE.

Wagga Mums Group

This social outing and children's playgroup is a great opportunity for Defence Mums to meet non-Defence Mums in a relaxed, fun setting every 1st & 3rd Friday of the month between 9.30am - 12noon at the KCC. In a relaxed setting, with other like-minded Mums, there's no better way for you and your children to meet other great families from the local area. For more information on this wonderful group and for other activities they organise as a group, contact Sherie c/o the KCC at 69712015.

Monday Morning Tea Group

Every Monday 9.30am – 11.30am at the KCC. All welcome to join us. Please bring along small plate to share while you relax and enjoy a chat and cuppa. We have special activities/guest speakers in attendance regularly to enjoy. Children welcome. For more info contact Michelle at blameycommunity@gmail.com or on 69712015.

KAPOOKA Calendar - SEPTEMBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		31 Aug Blamey Community Group Walk & Talk 9.15 am Kapooka Community Centre Shinwa-Kai Karate Club 6.00 – 7.00 pm Kapooka Community Centre	1 Sep Kapooka Playgroup 9.30 – 11.30am Kapooka Community Centre	2 Blamey Community Group Thursday Craft Group 9.30am – 1 pm Kapooka Community Centre \$ PAY DAY \$	3 Blamey Community Group Walk & Talk 9.15 am Kapooka Community Centre Kapooka Cinema – 7.30pm 'Knight and Day', M15	4 Kapooka Cinema – 7.30pm 'The A-Team', M15
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