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## SMALL AND OFTEN INTERESTING PIECES OF NEWS, INFORMATION OR CONVERSATION

Editorial Comments. Happy New year and we hope Santa was good to you! While we have sweltered throughout the Festive Season much of Australia has been burnt to the ground! We hope you have been amongst the lucky ones and we all feel for those less fortunate. Our ABC has again led from the front with news and information and has been recognised across the world for services provided. WHERE WOULD WE BE WITHOUT OUR ABC?

Hot Headlines for 2020. January 1, 2020, ABC online post "Millions of Australians welcome the New Year on the ABC and donate to the Red Cross."

January 4, 2020, The Guardian Australia bushfire coverage! Amanda Meade, "ABC emergency fire broadcasts praised but News Corp goes on the attack."

January 4, 2020, SMH Jennifer Duke, "Bushfire coverage puts added pressure on the ABC budget."

January 5,2020, SMH Janek Drevikovsky and Sally Rawshorne, "Penrith the Hottest Place on Earth 48.9 C." Tell us about it!

January 6, 2020, SMH Jennifer Duke "The five media figures worth watching in 2020." 2019 had surprises that shaped headlines and are likely to have a major influence in 2020. 1. Ita Buttrose ABC. 2. Antony Catalan ACM. 3. James Warburton Seven media. 4. Brendon Hill BMA. 5. Alan Jones Nine media.

## Don't Miss Dates for your Diary. 2020

January 26, Australia Day Glenbrook Garden Gnome Convention from 10am ABC Friends info Booth.

February 15, First ABCFBM meeting 10am Grand View Hotel, Wentworth Falls.

March 28, Inaugural Meeting and formation of ABC Friends Suburbs of Western Sydney Branch at the Penrith City Civic Centre, Library theatrette 10am till 1pm. With Guest Speakers TBA.

Looking forward to meeting with you in 2020 Bev and Barry.