



FREE LOCAL NEWSPAPER

BARRABA COMMUNITY NEWS

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Wednesday 10th November 2021



REMEMBRANCE DAY IN BARRABA

On Thursday 11th November we will pause to remember the end of the First World War – 103 years ago.

This war was the first modern world conflict and had brought about the mobilisation of over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead with at least one third of these having no known grave.

After the Second World War the name Remembrance Day was instituted as a day to commemorate all those who died in war.

On Thursday a small service will be held at the Town Memorial Clock. Due to covid restrictions and the inability of those conducting service to check on vaccination status numbers will be limited.

Our service will commence at 11.00 am.

Due to these restrictions, we can all observe one (1) minutes silence at 11.00 am to remember those that have fallen and have given service for their country.

It is also appropriate to remember those that survived these conflicts and who are still suffering the effects of these conflicts.

With restrictions effecting our service we ask that the Barraba and District community pause for a moment to remember all those that have served our country.



Claypan Corner

The raffle for our beautiful Patchwork Quilt, made and donated by Robyn Brown, will be drawn after our Christmas meeting on December 10th. Followed by a light finger food lunch. So buy those tickets now. Got to be 'in it to win it'.



Whilst the Gallery hasn't been open as much as we'd like over the months there has been some upgrades and improvements happening behind the scenes.

Our last meeting was held 15th October with a small number of members to ensure we were Covid Safe.

The renovation of the back area of the Clay Pan is finished but needs a working bee to put the finishing touches and to tidy up the gear in the back yard. The skirting boards in the Kitchen have been replaced.

We were unsuccessful in the Tamworth Business Awards but we say thank you to our unknown nominee as it was an enlightening process. Congratulations to Polkadot and Inland Petroleum on their wins.

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Pat Penna has iris available if anyone needs to be planting in this beautiful growing season.

Pottery, we have a few new potters which is really great. Good to see the skills of experienced potters being passed on. There is a possibility of an Adult Pottery Course early in 2022, so watch for further details if you're interested.

Our trip to the Ceramic Break Sculpture Park was postponed until next year. The same for the Black and White Art workshop with Hugh McKid. Covid really has messed with many plans.

The Shutterbugs have started to meet again to organise their activities for next year. Check out their facebook page for details.

The Sunday sewing group is back in action and spinning will recommence next year.

Our Fuller Gallery is restocked and waiting for you to come and enjoy the display. Get in early for Christmas gifts.



Across the Desk from the Relieving Principal Kirsty Ebzery

Friday 29 November 2021 was International World Teachers Day.

The day provides an opportunity for us to think about the positive impact a particular teacher has had in our lives. There are certainly a few teachers I thank for getting me to where I am today. The day also brings with it a feeling of gratitude. As the Relieving Principal at Barraba Central School I am extremely grateful for the calibre, dedication, professionalism and friendship of the Barraba Central staff. If a chance arises, please reach out and thank a teacher, a simple "thankyou" will mean more than you could imagine. Year 3-9 students will participate in a reading and numeracy check-in assessment. The check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning. The assessments can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 3-9 students during Term 4 Week 5. Students with disabilities may receive the same level of support during the assessment that they would normally receive in the classroom. If you have any questions, contact Mrs Middlemiss for Primary students and Mrs Bell for Secondary students.

In week 7 students from years 3, 5, 7 & 9 will be completing the School Readiness Test (SRT) in preparation for NAPLAN Online in 2022. SRT is an opportunity for schools to set up and run simulated tests to become familiar with the online assessment platform and reflect on areas that may need to be addressed ahead of moving online. SRT is not an assessment of student ability. Student test attempts will not be marked, and results will not be available. If you have any questions about SRT please contact Mrs Middlemiss for primary students and Mrs Bell for Secondary students.

Tuesday 2 November 2021 BCS will be celebrating the Melbourne Cup and we encourage students from K-12 to come dressed in your most amazing fascinator and fanciest tie. This is a fundraising event for the K-12 SRC and they will be organising a meal deal, consisting of a sausage sling, a drink and cupcake for \$5.00 at the primary and sausage sling and drink for \$4.00 at the secondary.

Early Starters Transition Program commenced on Friday 29 October 2021 and will run every Friday until week 9, 3rd November 2021 from 9am to 2:50pm. The aim of the program is to help children adjust to new surroundings and to become familiar with big school routines. New Kindergarten students will receive a complimentary school shirt and hat at time of enrolment at BCS.



Due to current restrictions, transition to Secondary School will look different this year. We are doing what is possible within the current regulations and structures. We understand and value the importance of a Transition Program and aim to support your child during this process.

We are giving students the opportunity to attend an afternoon session every Wednesday from Week 4-8, started on the 27 October 2021. Students will walk to the Secondary School with their classroom teacher and attend a one-hour session each week from 2pm-3pm. Different subject areas will be covered each week with Secondary teachers. We are currently discussing the options available to possibly have a full day transition during week 9 and 10. This will be advised after Week 6. If you would like to further discuss your child's transition to Secondary School, please contact the school on 67 821 104.

We would really welcome some new volunteers in the school canteen. Our school is lucky enough to have a canteen on both sites that is open a couple of days a week. Our canteen manager organises extraordinary meal deals weekly and each term we need volunteers from the parent community to help the canteen manager. We urgently need volunteers this term to ensure that the canteen can continue to operate. Without volunteers the P&C would have to consider reducing the opening days and/or ceasing the canteen at BCS. You can volunteer for as many or as few shifts as you would like during the term. It's a great way to see the range of food on offer in the canteen and say "hi" to your children at lunchtime. If you would like to help out, please contact the P&C or the school.



School sport activities are allowed to proceed from 1 November 2021 for the rest of Term 4 with specific restrictions to align with NSW Public Health Orders and the Reopening NSW roadmap. Schools may make use of outdoor pools for swimming lessons and recreational purposes. Therefore, Secondary sport will commence swimming for sport starting Friday 5 November. Students aged 16 and

older are not required to be fully vaccinated to enter public outdoor pool facilities.

Peter Whitten (Rusted Tin - Contemporary Aboriginal Artist) will be visiting BCS week 5 on Friday 5 November to meet with students to discuss a plan for the mural on the secondary and primary site. This will be an opportunity for all students to be immersed in aboriginal culture, art, and education. Indigenous murals are wonderful ways to visibly celebrate Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) culture in our school. Having a mural in our school provides an opportunity for students to be exposed on a daily basis to ATSI art styles; it can also be a great platform on which to introduce our students to both past and contemporary indigenous art. In a broader sense, it can help create a learning environment which champions cultural pride, it can help to deepen awareness and appreciation of indigenous culture.

The Guidelines for formals and graduation events are now available. Schools can plan for Year 12 formals to be preferably held at an external venue, from 1 December 2021. The guidelines for formal and graduations were developed with NSW Health and will continue to be updated as new information is received. BCS will be contacting Year 12 students and parents and carers via email in the coming week to discuss the possibility of a Year 12 Graduation Dinner for 2021.

'Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do.' – a quote by Pele
Kirsty Ebzery Relieving Principal



Spring Time in Karin Thurston's garden at Thorungulla



This spectacular photo of a tornado like cloud formation was taken near Dinoga (south of Bingara) by Amanda Withers Anderson on 30 October 2021



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor.

Hi. Through your Community Newspaper I would like to inform your readers that I have re-nominated for a position on Tamworth Regional Council for a further term, and I am seeking the community's support, as I am the only candidate who has nominated on the northern section of the Council area. I hope, with your support, I can continue to be a voice for the smaller communities.

As member of the Annual Donations Committee and the Heritage Assistance Committees, we have seen support for volunteer originations in Barraba along with Manilla, Nundle and the other small centres. As always, with the help of my fellow Councillors, if re-elected, I will continue to speak up for the outer areas.

In the last term (5 years) we have seen a shift to support more re-sheeting of gravel roads. There's more to be done with the hope of not only improving the roads but to also cut down on maintenance.

I believe that the tourist promotion of the region has been city centric, this needs to change. The outer centres are what makes this region. I'm not against Tamworth, but we have so many interesting sites for tourists to see, as an avid 'caravaner' I know the Grey Nomads want to support the smaller centres.

Our Historic Sites need better signage. Only last week I was at Crow Mountain, there is so much history in that area that needs to be tapped and with the Glen Riddle Reserve being so close, it is an ideal stop-over. Horton Falls, the Public Art (murals), the move of the Council Office, Library and Information Centre to the Main Street have all helped to re-activate the Barraba CBD.

As a member of the Urban Tree Committee we have put a Management Plan in place to enhance all the towns in the TRC area. From a historic point of view, Queen Street has kept its charm with the brick kerb and also most of the buildings have been left in their original form.

I would like to commend the community for their work in achieving so much over the last few years. It has been a hard slog with Covid-19 and drought, but you have achieved much by working together. I have been delighted to be able to help in any small way. Thanks again for your support.

Jim Maxwell.



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For the information of members and guests

WE ARE A COVID-19 SAFE CLUB

ALL NSW HEALTH REGULATIONS APPLY

**ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS MUST SHOW PROOF OF
DOUBLE VACCINATION UPON ENTRY**

THIS WEEK:

**ALL MEMBERSHIP DRAWS ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL
AT LEAST THE 1ST DECEMBER**

THURSDAY: 11AM-

MULTISCREEN DRAW-THIS WEEK \$13,100

FRIDAY: 11AM-

MEAT/FRUIT/VEG RAFFLES 6PM

SATURDAY: 10AM-

SUNDAY: 10AM-5.30PM

ANGLERS CLUB RAFFLES 1PM-3PM

MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY: 11AM-5.30PM

BINGO 11.30AM

WEDNESDAY: 11AM-5.30PM

HAPPY HOUR: 11am-1pm Wed & Fri

BISTRO HOURS

Phone 0427330808

CLOSED MON/TUES/WED

THURS/FRI/SAT: LUNCH 12-2PM

DINNER 6-8.00PM

SUNDAY: LUNCH 12-2PM

TAKE-AWAY MEALS STILL AVAILABLE TO THE
UNVAXED

PLEASE RING ORDER THROUGH AND PICK UP AT SIDE
DOOR OF CLUB

DINE AND DISCOVER VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

COMMUNITY AWARENESS MEETING DRAFT REGIONAL WATER STRATEGY

MANILLA RSL CLUB 7PM 18TH NOVEMBER

Be informed on the proposed diversion of our local
water resources by Water NSW.

Local member Kevin Anderson will be attending.

Put this in your diary now. More info next week.

BARRABA COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

Barraba Hospital

Walk in Pfizer Vaccinations

Monday 22nd November 10am to 3:30pm

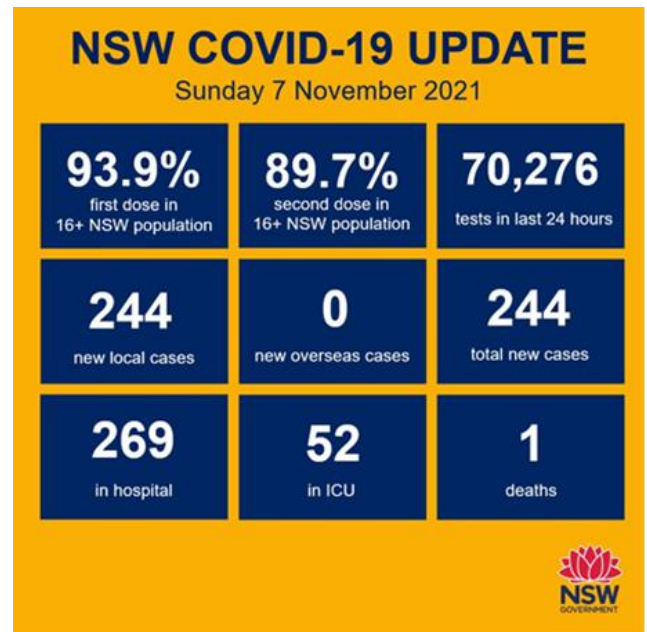
- Open to those aged 12 years and over (including 60 years and over)
- Children aged 12 to 15 years MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian aged over 18 years
- Wear a mask and bring your Medicare Card and ID (licence, student ID)
- First and second doses welcome. If 2nd dose, please have proof of first vaccination

2nd dose from the Royal Flying Doctor Clinic on 22nd October 2021 will be given on this day

Contact: Barraba Hospital Phone: 67 822500

COVID-19 virus fragments detected in sewage

The [NSW Sewage Surveillance Program](#) tests untreated sewage for fragments of the COVID-19 (SARSCoV- 2) virus at sewage treatment plant locations across NSW. The Barraba and Manilla Sewage Treatment Plants were tested on 1 November; COVID - 19 fragments were detected at both plants. Residents of Barraba and Manilla should monitor for symptoms; if you have even the mildest of symptoms (even if it appears to be a cold), get tested and self-isolate immediately.



Think twice about asbestos – it affects 1 in 3 homes nationwide.

Household Asbestos Testing Kits are available to help residents identify asbestos-containing material and assist with safe management or removal.

Asbestos is still present in millions of homes, as well as public and commercial buildings, across Australia. In homes built before 1990, asbestos can be found under vinyl floor coverings, behind kitchen splashbacks and bathroom tiles, in wall sheeting, corrugated asbestos-cement roofing, eaves, fences and more.

Northern Inland Regional Waste (NIRW) aims to provide residents across the New England North West region, an opportunity to access free Household Asbestos Testing Kits. NIRW aims to help prevent asbestos-related diseases and ensure correct disposal of asbestos-containing materials in the region.

NIRW's Asbestos Management program also supports this year's *National Asbestos Awareness Week* (22-28 November) campaign that asks Australians to *Think Twice About Asbestos*. The campaign challenges complacency by reminding home renovators and tradespeople that the danger of asbestos is far from over.

"For anyone who thinks asbestos-related diseases are a thing of the past, think again. Every year in Australia there are an estimated 4,000 deaths from exposure to asbestos." said Project Officer, Karen Weller, Northern Inland Regional Waste.

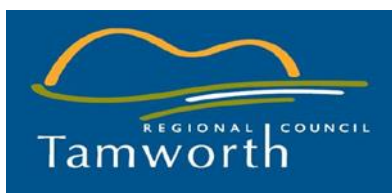
DIY home renovators and tradespeople are most at risk and are reminded of the dangers of damaged, disturbed or deteriorated asbestos. By preventing exposure to asbestos fibres asbestos-related diseases can be eliminated.

“With more Australians having time for DIY renovations and maintenance during the COVID-19 pandemic, we need to remind people how to be safe around asbestos. Understanding what the dangers are, can ensure residents keep themselves and their families safe.” Ms Weller said.

People working on homes built before 1990 can stay safe if they know where asbestos is, if they don’t disturb or damage it, and if they seek professional help to locate and manage or remove it.

NIRW have provided 12 local Councils in the region a strictly limited number of Household Asbestos Testing Kits to distribute to residents for free. These kits are used to assist with identification of potentially asbestos-containing material in the home, to ensure safe management or removal.

Further information is available at www.nirw.org.au/projects/asbestos-management/ or contact your local Council to collect a Household Asbestos Testing Kit.



Nominations now open for Australia Day Awards

Tamworth Regional Council is calling on the community to nominate residents who are making a positive difference locally, with nominations now open for the 2022 Australia Day Awards.

The Awards recognise the efforts of individuals and groups who make an outstanding contribution to their local community, and are a celebration of residents who are dedicated to their community and helping others.

“I encourage everyone to have a think about the people they see going above and beyond for their community, whether that’s an individual making a difference or a group working for the greater good,” said Tamworth Region Mayor, Cr Col Murray.

“They could be part of your sporting club, or working with a charity; they could champion a specific cause in the community or have achieved in their work or studies,” he said. “We are really lucky in the Tamworth region to have lots of worthy candidates, but they often fly under the radar. The Australia Day Awards provides the perfect opportunity

for us to formally thank these people for the contribution they make.”

Nominations are being sought for:

- Barraba – Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year and the Frank Darlington Young Achiever Award;
- Manilla – Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year, Citizen of the Year and Achiever of the Year;
- Tamworth – Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, and the Mitchell Brady Encouragement Award for Tamworth youths in Year 10 and under.

Nomination forms can be found on Council’s website <http://www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/2022AustraliaDayAward> and Council’s offices in Barraba and Manilla. Nominations close at 4pm on Wednesday 8 December, 2021. The awards for Barraba, Manilla and Tamworth will all be presented at official ceremonies across the region on Australia Day, 26 January, 2022.

Annual Household Chemical CleanOut

NIRW organises Household Chemical CleanOut events each year for residents in the New England North West NSW region, to safely dispose of potentially hazardous household chemicals for free.

These events are generally held in the second half of the year across many locations and are advertised in advance.

Important Dates:

- Tamworth Waste Management Facility – Saturday 13 November, 9am to 4pm
- Manilla Waste Management Facility – Sunday 14 November, 1pm to 3:30pm



National Recycling Week

Planet Ark’s National Recycling Week, founded in 1996, highlights the environmental benefits of reuse and recycling programs, while making participation enjoyable and easy through community events and programs. The dates for National Recycling Week in 2021 are Monday 8 to Sunday 14 November 2021.

Founded in 1996 as an opportunity for Australians to improve their recycling knowledge and build better recycling habits, National Recycling Week aims to help all Australians take waste and recycling issues into their own hands. This year the campaign will seek to positively highlight the advancements we have made over those 25 years of National Recycling Week and raise awareness of the continued importance of recycling amongst the Australian public.

Planet Ark has a new Resource Hub with lots of tools and tips for community groups to get involved and many other fun and educational activities and online events available to residents.

National Recycling Week is made possible by Major Sponsor Gumtree Australia, Associate Sponsor Coca-Cola Australia and Supporting Sponsors Tetra Pak, MobileMuster, Australasian Recycling Label and Cartridges 4 Planet Ark.

To learn more or get involved in National Recycling Week, visit nationalrecyclingweek.com.au

Let's Talk Rubbish this November!

Let's Talk Rubbish Quiz

There are two \$500 Stay Regional Shop Regional vouchers up for grabs. To enter, residents need to correctly answer five waste related questions.

There are two quizzes; one for those aged 15 and younger, and one for those aged 16 and older.

The quiz will be open from Monday 1 November until Tuesday 30 November. The winner will be drawn on Wednesday 1 December.

The aim of this competition is to encourage our community to have important conversations about waste sustainability and how we can make simple changes in our daily lives to reduce, reuse and recycle more. To attempt the quiz and learn more about all these great initiatives head to www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/letstalkrubbish



Matthews Metal Management Metal and E- Waste Collections

Matthews Metal Management will be starting FREE online booking system for metal and e-waste collections across the Tamworth region.

Residents will be able to start booking in their collections via the Matthews Metal Management website this week.

Important Dates: Manilla, Barraba, Upper Manilla - fourth Friday of the month

No collections will take place between 23 December 2021 to 16 January 2022.

History Notes



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A quiet week on the historical this week – no new enquiries to send everyone off to the books and computers. Next week is meeting week as usual and we welcome all members and intending members.

This week I want to make mention of one of our past members who, in the short few years he lived in the district, did a great deal for Barraba. As we all know Russ Watts spent a lot of time organizing the bird routes for the Barraba district and he has recently been honoured for his and Jenny's hard work travelling around finding the best places to view our birds.

While researching the local birds, Russ walked around the village of Woods Reef, and became very interested in its history. He persuaded the society to honour the history by numbering the various places such as the Reading home, the school, the bridge, the butcher shop etc. Russ enlisted the help of several people, members and other interested people and the signs were duly erected and an Opening Day organized – it was then that we found out that there was a 'Walk For Life' also organized for the weekend!! Both events had been notified state wide by then, so we just had to go ahead. We had a small crowd walking around some of the signs and then a most enjoyable picnic lunch in the church grounds with inevitable stories of life in Woods Reef. Thankyou Russ.

Another of Russ's interests was the railway and the idea of making a small park up on the railway line, in line with the main street. He rescued some of the unique telephone posts which followed the line from Tamworth and had several good ideas to make the park a nice place for tourists to visit and take in Queen Street from the southern end.

Once again Russ and the society ran into trouble, this time with government departments. Tests for asbestos had to be taken throughout the railway area – there were twenty two sites and two tested positive for asbestos up on the western end. The site for the lookout up Queen Street had to be abandoned.

Not to be out done the posts and one of the old railway gates were erected just off the railway land as a mark of respect to our World War 1 veterans who left Barraba by train in 1914-18. Unfortunately, the gate urgently needs a new coat of paint and members are aware of this.

There is a remembrance page in the museum which everyone can read as Russ did a great deal for Barraba and I am sure I have missed some things. He did find a rare plant out near the asbestos mine which he fenced in and of course he was responsible for the sign near the Tarpoly railway bridge. Before closing I must mention Maurice Potter who was Russ's right hand man in most of the projects.



Rotary Club of Barraba Inc.

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ROTARY CLUB OF BARRABA (Inc)

CAMPDRAFT - 29/30th October 2021

The Campdraft was run over two days due to the large number of entries and what a great Campdraft we had. Friday commenced at 10am with the Encourage Draft followed by the Maiden and fortunately the weather was most kind to us. Saturday commenced at 7am with a full day of excellent drafting, with a top line of station bred cattle on both days. The Canteen was as usual extremely popular and we have received many emails congratulating Barraba Rotary and Burindi Station for a most enjoyable draft. The Management and staff of Burindi Station must be congratulated for supplying the outstanding cattle and also their help before, during and after the event.

A huge thank you must go to all helpers, i.e Announcers, Scorers, Judges, Admin and Office, Yardsmen, Front Gate Personnel, Canteen, BBQ and Bar. Together with Radio Stations, our local Community News and The Manilla Express, as the running of these events would not be possible without you.

Results were as follows:

Open 1st David Kelly, 2nd Rodney McKinnon, 3rd Mark Tonkin, eq. 4th /5th Paul Spears, Andrew Jarrett

Novice 1st Lachlan Ezzy, 2nd Barry Moore, 3rd Tom Donnelly, 4th Rodney McKinnon, 5th Joel Mace

Maiden 1st Rodney McKinnon, 2nd Nathan Maguire, eq. 3rd/Emma Pendergast, Rodney McKinnon, Jim Church, Will Robinson

Encourage 1st Wade McIlveen, eq. 2nd/3rd Sam Gorton, Wendy Fahey,

4th Brooke McKinnon, eq 5th Kylie Stanger, Tom Donnelly, Brooke Smith, Allan Croll, Sherrie Griffiths.

Junior, 1st Janae Griffiths, 2nd Indigo Kelly, eq. 3rd Caitlin Guy, Sophie Kelly, Shayla Crowley

Juvenile 1st Brianna Guy, 2nd Mackayla Jarrett, eq. 3rd Dallas Kelly, Kelsa Horne, Tom Croll, Darcy Todd.

To cap off a top weekend of drafting, the Rotary Club of Barraba raffled a week's holiday to Port Macquarie which was won by Barry Moore. Congratulations Barry and enjoy your holiday in 2022.



Funeral Notice STOBIE, Jean

Died peacefully Saturday, the 6th of November 2021.

Aged 93 years.

Dearly loved wife of Charles (dec).

Loving mother and mother-in-law of Di & Luke, John (dec), Lib & Steve and Bill.

Cherished Nan of Sonia, Zoe, Stacey, Guy and Matt, and much loved Old Nan of Tyler, Regan, Cody, Stu, Lilly and Saxon.

Relatives and friends of the late Jean Stobie are respectfully invited to attend her funeral.

The cortege will leave St Laurence's Anglican Church, Fitzroy Street, Barraba after a service set to commence at 11.00am, Friday the 12th of November, 2021, thence for Burial in the Barraba Lawn Cemetery, West Street Barraba.

Burke and Douglas Funerals
Funeral Directors' Association of
NSW Acc # 12012-1

info@burkeanddouglas.com.au

Phone: 02 6765 3999

Snippets from St Laurence's

I apologise for the many times I missed Snippets. Sometimes I just don't remember it's Monday (usually if I missed service on Sunday), other times I just cannot find an opening paragraph and keep putting off starting until it's too late.

This week Freed Youth meet at 7.30pm on Friday evening and on Sunday, 14th November, there is a service at Woodsreef at 11.30 am. Parish council will meet after that service. (I hope they remember a thermos and a packed lunch!)

Synod meet on 20th. Fitting all the Diocesan business into one day will make this very full on. Please pray for all who are attending, that they may recognise God's guiding and follow it steadfastly.

Also on 20th, James and Steph, the CMS missionaries we support, will be arriving to spend a week with us. They seem to have been part of our church family for ages, now we look forward to actually meeting them and their children.

A thought for this week comes from Paul's letter to the Philippians, chapter 1, verses 9 and 10: *"And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ."*

Barraba Anglican Parish
St Laurence's Barraba: Sunday
service at 9.00am
Woodsreef: 2nd Sundays
11.30am
Bereen: 4th Sundays 6.00pm
Youth Group at Youth Centre:
Friday 7.30-9.30pm

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTES

Barraba 1st & 5th Sunday 6pm.

2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday 9am.

Upper Horton 3rd Sunday 11am

Weekday Mass Wednesday 10am

Uniting Church Notices

Sunday 8.30am for 8.45am start
All welcome



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Additional support for Australian men battling prostate cancer

From November, Australian men with prostate cancer will have access to a new medication at an affordable price, thanks to the Morrison Joyce Government.

Deputy Prime Minister and Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce said the announcement was a further sign that the Government's commitment to ensuring Australians can access affordable medicines, when they need them, remains rock solid.

"Prostate cancer is the second most common cancer diagnosed in men in Australia and the third most common cause of cancer death," Mr Joyce said.

"One in six men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer by the age of 85. It is more common in older men, with more than 63 per cent of cases diagnosed in men over 65 years of age."

"From November 1, as we mark the start of Movember, Nubeqa® (darolutamide) will be listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) for the first time for patients with non-metastatic castration resistant carcinoma of the prostate."

"Without PBS subsidy, around 1,000 patients may pay more than \$40,000 per year for treatment. Instead, they will pay a maximum of \$41.30 per script or \$6.60 with a concession card."

Minister for Health and Aged Care Greg Hunt, echoed the Deputy Prime Minister, saying medication, alongside early detection can save lives and protect lives.

"It is estimated that around 18,000 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed in Australia this year alone," Minister Hunt said.

Barraba 7 day Forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology



Wednesday 10 Nov

Summary Max 28

Showers possible storm

Chance of rain: 95%



Thursday 11 Nov

Summary Min 16 Max 24

Rain possible heavy falls

Chance of any rain: 95%



Friday 12 Nov

Summary Min 16 Max 25

Rain easing possible storm

Chance of any rain: 90%



Saturday 13 Nov

Summary Min 8 Max 19

Shower or 2

Chance of rain: 50%



Sunday 14 Nov

Summary Min 5 Max 20

Partly cloudy

Chance of any rain: 10%



Monday 15 Nov

Summary Min 6 Max 21

Partly cloudy

Chance of any rain: 20%



Tuesday 16 Nov

Summary Min 5 Max 23

Mostly sunny

Chance of any rain: 20%

FARM PLANNING WORKSHOP

TUESDAY 14TH & WEDNESDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2021
THE LIVING CLASSROOM, BINGARA



Presented by
Kim Deans
Regenerative Agriculture Educator

- Apply a whole farm planning design process and principles to two case study sites
- Learn how to design for resilience to climate extremes, optimise natural resources and economic potential
- Gain confidence and skills to apply to your own farm design

2-Day Workshop \$390pp
Morning Tea & Lunch Included



"This event will be run under NSW Health Orders".
Book via Sticky Tickets
<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/A4306>

For Further Information Contact:
Penny Kelly, Northern Slopes Landcare Assoc. Ph. 0438 353 682

"This project is supported by Starfish Enterprises Network Limited, The Carbon Farm and Northern Slopes Landcare Association through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program".





RECREATIONAL FISHING GRANTS NOW AVAILABLE



Member for Northern Tablelands and Minister for Agriculture Adam Marshall has today urged the region's passionate fishers to 'cast' their applications for the latest round of Recreational Fishing Trust grants, in the hope of landing funding for projects to promote fishing across the region's waterways. "Just like catching an elusive Copeton Dam Murray Cod, applying for a Recreational Fishing Trust grants does require work, but when it's hooked it's worth it," Mr Marshall said.

"The grants cover projects for enhancing recreational fishing, new facilities and access to local spots to wet a line, education including fishing workshops, as well as essential recreational research. I expect with COVID-19 restrictions relaxing we will see hundreds of keen anglers out on local

dams or walking local rivers and streams, and so what better time to be improving access and facilities than now." Mr Marshall encouraged fishers to get their applications in to the NSW Department of Primary Industries before Friday, 3 December 2021.

"Every year, anglers pay their licence fees which are then reinvested back into projects like this, so if you've got an idea, please get it in as soon as possible," he said. Grants are available for both large projects valued at more than \$10,000 in funding and small projects involving less than \$10,000. Joint saltwater and freshwater projects are also encouraged. Funding guidelines and application forms for the next round of the Recreational Fishing Trusts grants are available at www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

RECORD FUNDING BOOST TO SUPPORT STATE'S WAR ON WEEDS

Minister for Agriculture and Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall last week announced a record \$24.2 million funding boost for the war on weeds, which will see cutting-edge technologies, including environmental DNA (eDNA) testing, used by farmers to manage the state's worst weeds. Mr Marshall said the investment would modernise the state's biosecurity systems and give farmers, local councils and weeds authority's the resources they needed to stop weed infestations in their tracks.

"Between 2015 and 2020, a \$166 million investment helped the NSW Government, councils, communities, farmers and other land managers successfully target weeds. "High risk weeds such as parthenium and tropical soda apple continue to put pressure on agriculture, with established weeds such as African lovegrass and serrated tussock being targeted through our weed management programs," Mr Marshall said. "We will increase awareness, management and surveillance, largely through face-to-face support from local councils who provide farmers and other land managers with expert advice, weed identification and management options during property visits."

The new priority projects and NSW Weeds Action Program are key initiatives for the NSW Government's NSW Invasive Species Plan, which aims to reduce the devastating impacts of weeds on agricultural production and the environment. More information is available on the NSW Department Primary Industries website

<https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/weeds/strategy>.

Weed management advice is available from weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au or by downloading the NSW WeedWise app.



Golf Notes

Amanda Koopman (AKA) and Ed Lockrey (Manilla Boys) were the joint winners this week with good scores of 22 points. Ball winners were Sam Faint (Geriatrics) 21, Lyn Simpson (Fine Winers) 21, Josh Layton (The Burglars) 21, Bill Tonkin (6666) 21, Liam Johnston (Wouldbe Champions) 20, Ann Smith (SAND) 20 and visitor Ben Ruttley 19 points.

On the overall Team Leaderboard Yellowstone Fever whilst not firing this week were able to drop this week's score and still remain leaders by 8 points from both Geriatrics and 6666. The big improvers were the Manilla Boys who climbed 6 positions on the leaderboard to now be sitting 4th.

Yellowstone Fever 123

6666 115

Geriatrics 115

Manilla Boys 114

Golf Creek 114

Sand 111

Lotapign 111

Burglars 110

Bogey Men 110

Unreliables 110

Hackers 107

Fine Winers 105

Vintage 100

Wouldbe Champions 100

Butchers 98

Worm Burners 97

AKA 92

New and Old 91

Yeah Nah 70

The winner of the meat tray this week was Kieran Darlington.

Just a heads up our annual 9 hole Ambrose for National Ag Day is on

Wednesday the 24th November commencing at midday.

Also in early December we have a few players participating in The Longest Day Golf Challenge to raise money for the Cancer Council. The challenge is to successfully complete your chosen number of holes from dawn to dusk and raise funds for Cancer Council's research, prevention, and support services.

If you want to get a team together you can Challenge yourself to:

The Long Day - 36 holes (2 rounds)

The Longer Day - 54 holes (3 rounds)

Or the ultimate challenge: The Longest Day - 72 holes (4 rounds).

You can view the details online at The Cancer Council website or contact Peter York who has a team entered.

Shane Middlemiss coupled weather forecasting and divine intervention this week to use our new super spreader and super the last fairway as the heavens opened up. He assures us it's really only a local call upstairs for him.

Rifle Club

On Saturday at the range we had a good rollup for the days shooting. There were five the Centrefire and eight for our .22 Benchrest.

Scores in the Benchrest were mostly in the high 90's and there was one perfect score recorded by Brendan, so congratulations Brendan for scoring a 300 in the 100m. He has been close a few times this year and he finally cracked it.

Darren scored another possible and Andrew was up there with two 99's also in the 100m and one in the 50m. Casey once again out doing some of the boys shooting up in the high nineties in the 50m.

Garry, Dallas & Ron were up in the 90's as well. Centrefire scores were all in the nineties again this week as

well. All the boys are all shooting well.

Just a reminder that there are only two shoots left in our shooting calendar for this year which are the next two weekends and also that subs need to be paid before December please as the end of year audit for the Firearms Registry will be done.

Unlimited 100m

B.McIlrick 100.5, 100.5, 100.7 = 300.17

D. McIlrick 92.2, 93.2, 94.1 = 279.5

AA Grade 100m

D. Dewson 97.2, 100.6, 98.5 = 295.13

R. Bridges 97.5, 98.4, 93.7 = 289.16

G. Urquhart 86.2, 93.2, 94.2 = 273.6

A Grade 100m

A. White 95.3, 99.5, 99.7 = 293.15

C. Wells 90, 96.3, 91 = 277.3

B Grade 100m

J. Moloney 94.2, 95.1, 93 = 282.3

Unlimited 50m

B. McIlrick 95.4, 98.3, 98.4 = 291.11

D. McIlrick 89.1, 89, 80 = 258.1

AA Grade 50m

D. Dewson 96.4, 93.2, 95.4 = 284.10

R. Bridges 92.3, 92.3, 88 = 271.6

G. Urquhart 88.1, 90.3, 88.1 = 266.5

A Grade 50m

A. White 96.1, 98.6, 99.4 = 293.11

C. Wells 97.5, 96.3, 98.1 = 291.9

B Grade 50m

J. Moloney 88, 84.1, 86.1 = 258.2

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