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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.

Letter to the Editor

Barraba has a secure water supply and still we endure restrictions. Manilla also has a secure water supply.

This could be at RISK!

A "Draft Regional Water Strategy" has been completed by the NSW Government and the "Draft Review" is in its final stages. It states "in consultation with Communities and stakeholders" on the available options.

Once this Document (195 pages) is adopted – Any or all of the "options" can be undertaken including:

- A dam at the Horton River?
- A pipeline from the Namoi River at the "Blue Hole" (an aboriginal sacred site) above Manilla to Split Rock Dam with water then released to Keepit Dam.
- A pipeline from Keepit Dam to the Maules Creek Mines
- A pipeline from Keepit Dam to Tamworth for benefit of "Security, Prosperity and Development for the major centres."

This compromises our water security with half our allocation not being made available to us.

Our SRD water allocation per year is 365 mega litres.

Our usage per year is 156 mega litres.

What could happen with the remaining 209 mega litres?

Will it be "on sold" to industries or taken for Tamworth Development?

Tamworth Regional Council holds the licence for our SRD water allocation.

There is confusion and frustration on the lack of true consultation and transparency by Water NSW and Tamworth Regional Council.

A Community awareness meeting is being held at Manilla RSL on Thursday 18th November at 7pm.

Kevin Anderson will be in attendance so this is Barraba and Manilla's opportunity to state how they would like their water to be allocated going forward into the future.

Shirley Close

BARRABA COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

Barraba Hospital

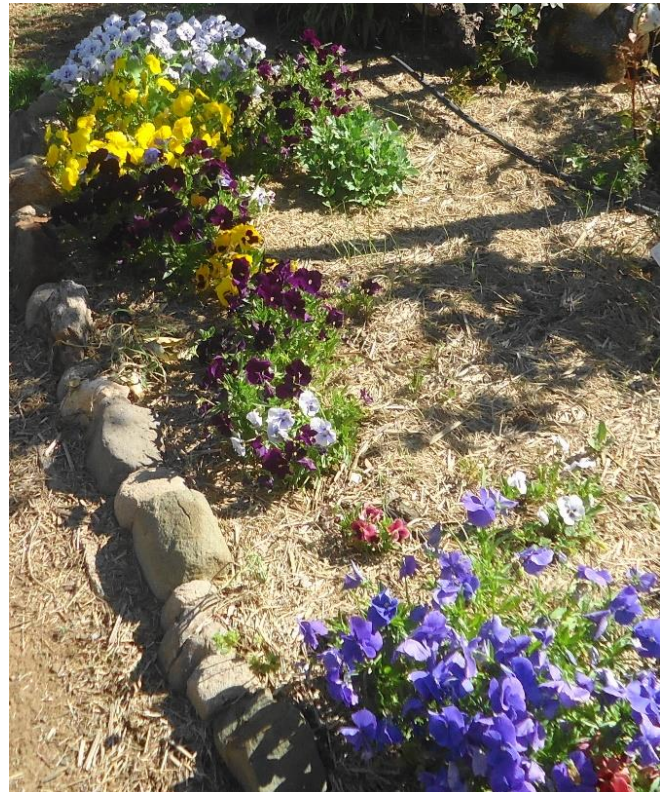
Walk in Pfizer Vaccinations

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



Spring time in Sandra Collins garden





Across the Desk from the Relieving Principal Kirsty Ebzery

Year 12 HSC Exams commenced this week on Tuesday 9 November with English being the first exam. Our 6 HSC students were eager to complete their first exam although some were a little nervous. Jack consumed 2 cans of 'mother' stating he needed it as an energy boost. From all the staff; we ask you to continue to believe in yourself, take on your challenges, dig deep within yourself to conquer fears as self-belief and hard work will always earn you success. We know you have prepared well despite the obstacles and we wish you all the best with your exams over the next 4 weeks. Remember if you don't sacrifice for what you want - what you want becomes the sacrifice. Stay committed, stay focused and please continue to seek support and assistance from secondary staff during the examination period.



Years 3-9 students participated in a reading and numeracy Check-in assessment last week. 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.

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.

Early starters transition Program commenced on Friday 29 October 2021 and will run every Friday till week 9 (3 November) from 9am to 2:50pm. The aim of the program is

to help children adjust to new surroundings and to become familiar with Secondary routines. New Kindergarten students will receive a complimentary school shirt and hat at time of enrolment at BCS.

Year 6 to 7 transition has allowed students the opportunity to attend an afternoon session every Wednesday from week 4-8. Students attend a one-hour session each week from 2-3pm, experiencing different taster lessons in a variety of subject areas with Secondary teachers. Year 6 will join Secondary students for sport each Friday afternoon starting from week 7. If you would like to further discuss your child's transition to Secondary please contact the school.

Peter Whitten (Rusted Tin - Contemporary Aboriginal Artist) and Owen Craigie (Ex NRL Player, Grand Final winner from Newcastle Knights) visited BCS on Friday 5 November 2021 to meet with secondary students to discuss a plan for the mural at the Secondary and Primary sites. The morning was spent delivering a talk about mental health, wellbeing, health, fitness, Aboriginal culture and playing the didgeridoo. Secondary students celebrated the event with a BBQ lunch. This was a wonderful 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. Peter and Owen will return to BCS on Thursday and Friday of week 6 to work with students to start the mural and participate in fitness workshops.



The Year 12 Graduation Dinner will be held on Friday 10 December 2021, at The Playhouse Hotel in Barraba.

Invitations will be sent via post and email once all the organisation has been completed. This will likely be completed by the end of week 7.

'Struggles are necessary. They are nature's way of allowing you to expand, develop, progress, and become stronger. The one thing nature will not tolerate is idleness! If you don't like the circumstances of your life change them!.' – a quote by Napoleon Hill Foundation.

Kirsty Ebzery
Relieving Principal

Year 1/2 Science with Mr Sweatman

For their Science lesson in Week 5, Year 1/2 observed how water moves through a landscape, running off and pooling to form natural features. They created their own landscape and used paper cups perforated in the base to model 'rainfall'.

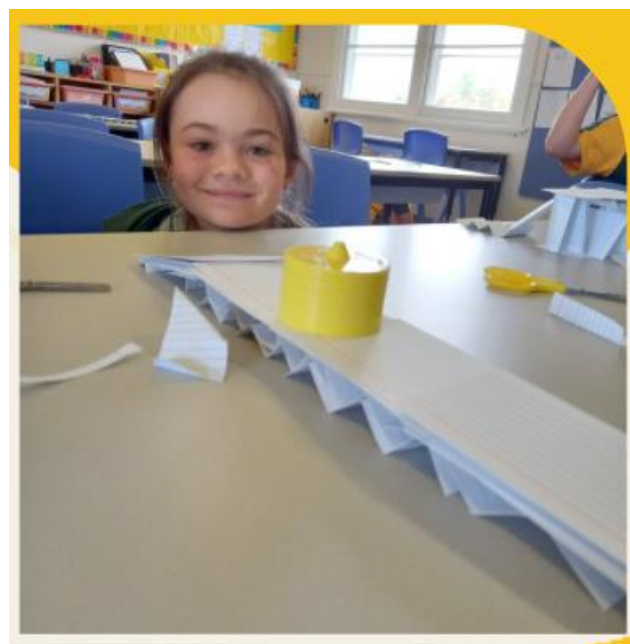
Mr Sweatman



Year 3 STEM Challenge

In the Year 3 STEM lesson, students were given an open-ended challenge to make weight bearing bridge or structure using a maximum of 25 index cards and scissors in 25 minutes. They quickly discovered some strong shapes that lead them to success. But what a variety!!

Mr Sweatman



We're live on the web

Now you can get the local news updated more frequently by going to

www.barrabacommunitynews.org.au



If the inspections identify an issue with the Essential Energy network, the network will be repaired according to the risk to network reliability and community safety. Follow Essential Energy on Facebook and Twitter for updates on aerial patrols or

visit: essentialenergy.com.au/aerial for further information.

Weather permitting, the patrols will take place this week.



**High Def photos help
secure
power reliability**

Essential Energy will soon take to the skies above Barraba, Tamworth, Quirindi and surrounding areas, using specialist high-definition equipment attached to a helicopter to undertake a further assessment on the condition of the electricity network in the aftermath of the devastating fires of late 2019 and early 2020.

Higher quality capture using an autonomous image capture sensor means more images can be taken along a more direct and higher flightpath than in previous years. Previously the helicopter had to fly low and frequently over some powerlines to get the same quality.

Operations Manager Northern Tablelands, Mark Summers, said "The newer technology will not only mean a faster delivery of the images but also lessen the impact on people and livestock in the flight path.

These flights are a crucial part of our broader program to understand the condition of the network so we can identify and repair damaged or deteriorating network assets according to the risk they present."

Our overall Bushfire Risk Management Plan involves this helicopter-led data capture, other aerial inspections, drone and ground-based asset inspections combined with our network analysis, to understand and manage risk to ensure the safety and reliability of the network," Mark said.



Essential Energy will be patrolling its electricity network from the skies



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Tamworth Regional Council Candidates for Election on the 4th December 2021

INDEPENDENTS

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JAMES THOMAS MAXWELL	MAXWELL Jim	MANILLA
RUSSELL IAN WEBB	WEBB Russell	WINTON
MARK RICHARD RODDA	RODDA Mark	SOUTH TAMWORTH
RAYMOND JOHN TAIT	TAIT Ray	HILLVUE
MARJOLIJN ELISABETH SOFIA THOMAS	THOMAS Marjolijn	MOORE CREEK
STEPHEN ANTHONY MAHER	MAHER Stephen	NORTH TAMWORTH
CHRISTOPHER BUCKMAN	BUCKMAN Chris	MOORE CREEK
BROOKE LOUISE SOUTHWELL	SOUTHWELL Brooke	EAST TAMWORTH
MARC LEE SUTHERLAND	SUTHERLAND Marc	HILLVUE
CHARLES EDWARD IMPEY	IMPEY Charles	HILLVUE

LABOR

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DENISE ELIZABETH MCHUGH	MCHUGH Denise	HILLVUE
SERGIO FRANCESCO RINDO	RINDO Sergio	MOORE CREEK
MICHAEL MATTHEW LAWLER	LAWLER Michael	SOUTH TAMWORTH
LAURA JEAN HUGHES	HUGHES Laura	HILLVUE

For further information and candidate profiles go to;

<https://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/Elections/Local-government-elections/Local-Government-Elections-2021/Candidates/Tamworth/>

Gwydir Shire Council Candidates for Election on the 4th December 2021

Candidates have been finalised for the upcoming Local Government elections to be held on Saturday 4 December.

Candidates are displayed in order of receipt of nomination.

- Christopher MATTHEWS
- James MOORE
- Catherine EGAN
- Geoffrey Kingsford SMITH
- John COULTON
- David COULTON
- Marilyn DIXON
- Tiffany GALVIN
- Frances YOUNG
- James MULLIGAN

TAMWORTH REGIONAL COUNCIL
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM

DATE: Wednesday
24 November

TIME: 6pm sharp

VENUE: Barraba Bowling Club,
Crn Bridge & Queen St.



Tamworth
Business Chamber

JUDY COATES, For Councillor, Tamworth Regional Council



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Who Am I?

A wife to Tim, a mother, a Nonna and a resident of the Tamworth Region for more than 20 years, the past 18 of those living in Moonbi. Family is very important to me and I believe that a stable and supportive family unit is one of the keys to a safe and progressive community. I have never been afraid of hard work, a challenge, and being an advocate for people and change. Honesty and integrity are paramount for me.

What's my back ground?

I have worked as a physiotherapist for more than 30 years, in a range of settings including hospitals, aged care, private practice (as a business owner/employer for 16 years) and promoting health in the workplace, both in Australia and overseas. I retired from my beloved physiotherapy in 2020, when my hands gave up on me, but I have certainly not retired from life! Since then I have focused on family, and my garden as well as fund raising for one of my greatest passions – mental health. Specifically, training and then hiking the Larapinta Trail with a group to raise more than \$125K for the Black Dog Institute; a highlight of the past 12 months. I am currently refreshing my skills as a crisis support worker with Lifeline Australia. I regularly speak to local groups about health and wellness.

Now I am putting my hand up to stand up for this amazing area and community that I call home. I am up for the challenge and the opportunity to make a difference, something I have thrived on throughout my life.

What do I stand for?

- Advocating for residents and ratepayers, and working to continually improve services and ensuring value for \$ spent. This includes but is not limited to, parking (accessibility and cost), safety at roundabouts, footpaths, rubbish collection and disposal, and the general appearance and functionality of our CBD and public environs, including small towns and villages.
- Equity and accessibility for everyone in health and well-being; and in particular mental health.

Availability of specialists locally is an important key to maintaining a healthy population.

- Maintaining and promoting our beautiful natural environment to ensure its sustainability for future generations. "Greenery in the scenery" has always been important to me.
- Ensuring our local heritage – buildings and cultures (indigenous and non-indigenous) – is thoughtfully and appropriately preserved.

What would I bring to the table as a councillor?

- A history of service to the community through my work and volunteer positions, backed by hard work, dedication, compassion, honesty and integrity.
- A proven capability to work with many different age groups, levels of ability and disability, social and cultural backgrounds.
- Commitment to do my best for the region and its residents.
- A team player with the ability to consult and identify projects that will enhance the liveability and sustainability of the region.
- A willingness to lobby and promote those projects with other levels of government.
- A strong voice with a sense of fairness and awareness.
- Advocacy backed by knowledge and research, and the willingness to learn.
- An inquisitive nature and the ability to ask questions, underpinned by common sense.

Summary:

- I believe that the progress made in the past 5 years has set us in good stead for further development and prosperity.
- No growth is without challenge and some pain, but I have confidence that with the Blueprint 100, a strong Community Strategic Plan, which follows wide consultation, and is underpinned by sound Delivery and Operational Plans, the Tamworth region will have an exciting future.
- I offer to be part of that future.





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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 \$13,800

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

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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



Council meeting update

Here is an overview of
outcomes from

Tamworth Regional Council Ordinary Meeting on **Tuesday 9
November, 2021**

- Council's financial reports for the year to June 30, 2021 were presented to councillors tonight. The auditor's report shows that the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in a \$2.3 million decrease in revenue due to significantly reduced airport fees and charges as well as reduced events income due to the unavoidable cancellation of the 2020 Tamworth Country Music Festival and other events.
- The schedule for Council meetings in 2022 was endorsed tonight including two meetings in January. Tamworth Regional Council does not usually meet in January, however the change is necessary due to the 2021 Local Government Elections being on December 4. The first January meeting on Wednesday January 5 is for the election of a Mayor and Deputy Mayor. The meeting schedule is published on Council's website.
- Ten community representatives have been formally appointed to the Disability Access Working Group for a two-year term. They are Judy Coates, Isla Farr, Amanda Fisher, Fiona Hemmings, Danielle Northey, Ilonka Patkos, Catherine Rae, Geoffrey Talbot Sanderson, Dina Santos and Luke Wakely. The purpose of the group is to guide, monitor and evaluate the development and implementation of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan. For more information, see the full reports at www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/business-papers

Snippets from St Laurence's

Daniel, Dean and Hamilton are off to Synod next Saturday. Please pray that they may have the wisdom, strength and patience to survive this condensed form of Diocesan business that usually starts on Friday evening and goes till lunch time or later on Sunday.

On Tuesday, 23rd November the prayer meeting will be held in the Youth Centre at 1pm, followed by Holy Communion. Sunday 28th is Mission Sunday, this month focusing on Barnabus Fund.

There will be a service at Bereen at 6pm. Then on Saturday, 4th December there will be a working bee. It will be Christmas before we know it.

This week, consider these words from Hebrews chapter 3, verses 12 and 13: "See to it brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called 'Today', so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.

Beth



History Notes

There is not a lot happening with the society at present but we are hoping to have a Christmas Market in December. We just hope that there are not too many restrictions to contend with! There should be more information after this week's meeting.

Although life seems quiet the research goes on and someone has handed me a piece, originally from Trove, recording a trip from Tamworth to Bingara in the early days of coach travel to this area.

The journey begins at 3am and it seems the route follows near the present day although skirting around hills. Mr Burdekin's run near Attunga is mentioned – he is a relative of the Barraba family.

The old hotel, on the northern side of the river in Manilla, is mentioned as a spot for some breakfast before continuing on to Barraba. The writer was obviously not very taken with our town describing it as an apology for a town. In 1873 there was McKid's shop, two hotels, a post office and a few houses. Apparently Mrs Cameron and her daughter served them a nice lunch.

The trip then moved on to Cobbadah, safely crossing Sheep Station Creek before delivering the mail to Bridger's Hotel and heading north across Cobbadah Creek and on to Oakey Creek where the "mail stables" were – there is still a house there and also the grave of James Pike, who died there when his wagon crushed him while he slept under it in the wet weather.

The writer also mentions, Mr Capel and his lost shepherd. The poor man and his sheep were found unharmed

after 24 hours. Piedmont Woolshed, the home of John Capel and his family, was only a short distance from the Mail Stables.

The coach continued on to Bingara down the Devil's Pinch and into Bingara. This story reminds me of a letter by my great, great, grandmother when she travelled up to Barraba Station from the Hunter Valley 15 years before there was a coach from Tamworth to Warialda and indeed nothing 'permanent' north of the Hunter Valley. This was a big journey for a young lady in those days.

Hopefully I will find Jane's letter before next week and share it with you.

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

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



COLLEGE CHAT

Term 4 at Barraba Campus has seen us welcome back Skye Petho from Arthouse Industries with a fun filled day of creating beautiful resin pieces. The day started with students making Resin Cheeseboards and

the results were quite spectacular. Next we moved onto making Resin Jewellery and the students turned out some very creative earrings. We finished up the day with Resin Coasters and as you can see by the photo there were some beautiful designs. Thank you Skye for making this another very successful day and all who attended thoroughly enjoyed their day. Skye will definitely be back next year for more Resin workshops.

Lizzie Horne who is an artist from Armidale held a Drypoint Etching class on Saturday 6th November and I must admit I didn't know much about this form of art but by the end of the day I was thoroughly hooked on Drypoint Etching. I loved the fact that you did not need to be an artist and know how to draw to participate. Lizzie was very good at making you feel relaxed and teaching you how to produce a beautiful etching. It is an amazing process and we will definitely be asking Lizzie to come back next year to run another class.

The Digital Safari day was very successful promoting digital skills to our senior community. If any seniors would like to join a fun group and learn digital technology please keep in mind that we will be running a Tech Savvy Seniors course next year and would love anyone that is interested to come along and join. It is a wonderful opportunity to learn new skills and also a great catch up with other members of the community.

Thought for the day: Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself. Any queries give me a call on **1800 952 264** Or go to our website

communitycollegenw.edu.au

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JOEY'S NEWS

The big events at Joey's last week were the performances of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by the students of Year 5/6. The class has been working on the performance for some time starting with auditions last term. Nicholas Fletcher played Willy Wonka with style and panache. Every child excelled in their role. Miss Shani Marshall directed and produced the show, dedicating many hours of work to preparing the children as well as making props and organising costumes. Miss Eleisha Outridge's background in dance and makeup was much appreciated. Mrs Justine Harris, Mrs Bec Russell, Ms Jane Harris and Ms Sam Rhodes also made significant contributions to the successful production. Restrictions sadly meant the show could not be performed at The Playhouse Hotel as intended. Parents also could not watch at school. The performances were instead done in the Parish Hall to other classes, including the pre-Kinder Transition children. Video recordings were made which will be shared with parents and families.



Miss Shani Marshall was thanked with a bouquet of roses from Mrs Deb McDouall's garden.



Nicholas Fletcher in his star turn as Willy Wonka.



The cast and director of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

In Memory

Janice Ann Hamilton 07/08/1945 – 21/11/1999

There is a certain kind of love that only sisters know
It begins with childhood trust and deepens as we grow.
Our memories are a golden treasure,
I carry in my heart forever.
Today, tomorrow, my whole life through,
I will always love and remember you.
Your sister
Pam.

U14's Regional Rugby

The 2021 Rugby season has officially come to an end, following our presentation evening on Monday 1st November 2021. Thank you to everyone who attended to help make it a special event for the players and acknowledge their hard work and dedication to the team this season.

It has been a privilege for myself, Mr Maloney and Mr Melville to coach the boys and watch them come together as a team unit and play with grit and heart against some strong competition. This season helped lay a strong foundation for future years, as well as building a club culture aligned with the Barraba Rams.

On the night the following players received awards. Best forwards went to Jack Coombes and Brock Phillips for their strong ball carrying and work at the set piece. The award for the Best Back was presented to Dustin Hiscock for his effective running lines and ball chasing in attack. The Sportsmanship award was picked up by Logan Northey for all around integrity and club spirit on and off the field. The Coaches' Award, whilst being a tough decision, was presented to Jack Myers for consistently strong performances in all games and in particular his fearlessness in contact. Michael Walker, who has made some enormous contributions with his tackling and ball carrying, received the Player's Player award as voted by his teammates.

A big thank you must go to some special people for helping our season run. Firstly, Jenny and Shayne Middlemiss for their hard work and organisation this season. Thanks also to our volunteer parent bus drivers Troy Thomson, Matt Walker and Fermin Allan for sacrificing time to

help out with the away trips. Thanks to Kym Uhr for running the canteen and to Simon Koopman for helping out and supporting the boys. Lastly thank you to all parents for making sure the boys could get to training and for your support. It was fantastic to see staff from Barraba Central School cheering from the sidelines. Ben Freeman's coaching has been enormously valuable, from scrum and lineout sessions to simply an extra man holding a pad, his contribution has been immeasurable. Well done to each and every one of the players for wearing the Barraba Rams jersey with pride and leaving a legacy with this year's team. Congratulations on a strong season and we look forward to building on this next year.

Mr Davis



Twilight Golf

On a cooler blustery afternoon Kerrie Smith (AKA) was this week's individual winner with a good score of 21 points. Ball winners were Jono Phillips (Lotta Piggini) 19, Dave Kelly (Vintage) 19, Tom Mellor (Hackers) 18, Nick Sweeney (Bogey Men) 18 and Josh Austin (Burglars) 18.

On the overall Team Leaderboard Yellowstone Fever continue to hold their 8 point lead.

Yellowstone Fever 157

6666 149

Geriatrics 148

Manilla Boys 148

Golf Creek 148

Lotapign 147

Burglars 142

Bogey Men 142

Hackers 142

Sand 141

Unreliables 140

Fine Winners 137

Vintage 134

Wouldbe Champions 132

Butchers 129

AKA 129

Worm Burners 127

New and Old 122

Yeah Nah 70

The meat tray winner was Rodger Fisher.

A reminder our annual 9 hole Ambrose for National Ag Day is on Wednesday the 24th November commencing at midday and also in early December we have 'The Longest Day Golf Challenge' to raise money for the Cancer Council.

Our thoughts are with member Lib Thompson and family on the recent passing of her mum Mrs Stobie.

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HOME TOWN BOY

Graeme Stanley Barwick

Cradled in the Nandewar's
Where the Manilla River wends
Below the steep Bell's Mountain
And the winding road descends.

Barraba was my birthplace
And some find it hard to say
With passing of these many years
Means as much to me, today.

I guess that it's quite natural
For me to feel this way.
The town that is your birthplace
Is in your heart to stay.

The school there, on the hilltop
Where I spent my learning years.
Swimming hole at the river
Where I overcame my fears.

Cycling to the "Jump Up",
Scout camps at Apple Tree Flat.
Climbing "The Basin" at Connor's
Creek,
Clear memories of that.

Wading in the river Nearby,
Gums and Willows grew.
Catching tadpoles in bottles,
Were the pleasures that I knew.

Lifestyle was carefree and basic.
Diet was fresh country fare.
Caring parents to guide me,
Breathing healthy country air.

The many friends I made there,
So many lessons learned.
A basis of a Christian upbringing,
Respect of my friends to be earned.

My thoughts will remain there,
Though not famous or place of
renown.
So many of my loved ones rest there,
On that hill, at the edge of town.



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Barraba 7 day Forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology

Wednesday 17 Nov 

Summary Max 26

Sunny

Chance of rain: 0%

Thursday 18 Nov 

Summary Min 10 Max 26

Partly cloudy

Chance of any rain: 30%

Friday 19 Nov 

Summary Min 12 Max 28

Shower or two

Chance of any rain: 50%

Saturday 20 Nov 

Summary Min 15 Max 31

Shower or two

Chance of rain: 60%

Sunday 21 Nov 

Summary Min 16 Max 26

Showers

Chance of any rain: 90%

Monday 22 Nov 

Summary Min 14 Max 30

Shower or two

Chance of any rain: 50%

Tuesday 23 Nov 

Summary Min 14 Max 31

Mostly sunny

Chance of any rain: 30%

Regional Dam Levels from Water NSW

Chaffey 101.0%

Copeton 89.0%

Keepit 99.1%

Split Rock 48.7%