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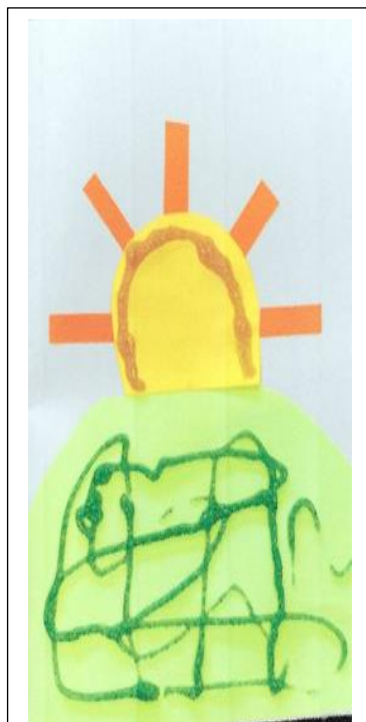
St Joseph's school

This week our school has been hearing about the devastating floods in Queensland and throughout the NSW east coast.

Our 4/5/6 class have created some extremely thoughtful cards for children in the Lismore Diocese, offering their thoughts, compassion and concern for them. On Friday, our whole school participated in a Mufti Day where everyone donated money to go to this cause. All the flood victims are in our thoughts and prayers.



Dear Lismore Diocese
I hope you get through this difficult time.
On Friday we are donating money.
I hope this will go towards new furniture and items.
From St Joseph's, Barraba



BARRABA COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

Barraba Hospital

Pfizer Vaccination Clinic

Appointment Essential

Paediatric Pfizer Vaccination Clinic 5—11 years

Tuesday 10th May 9.30am to 3pm

Please phone Barraba MPS, 67822500, during office hours to register

Open to those aged 5 to 11 years

Children MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian aged over 18 years

Wear a mask and bring your Medicare Card and ID (licence, student ID)

Contact: Barraba Hospital

Phone: 67 822500

Ecological Burn Notice

Please be advised that Whitehaven Coal will be undertaking Burn Preparation and a cool season Ecological Burn on the properties "Wirradale" and "Willeroi" between 15 March 2022 and 29 April 2022. For further information, please contact Whitehaven Biodiversity on 0488 407 000.



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For the information of members and guests

WE ARE A COVID-19 SAFE CLUB

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THIS WEEK:

THURSDAY: 11AM-

MULTISCREEN DRAW-SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

FRIDAY: 11AM-

MEAT/VEG RAFFLES 6PM

EXTRA DRAW AFTER EACH RAFFLE FOR A BONUS PRIZE

MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1500

SATURDAY: 10AM-

SUNDAY: 10AM-5.30PM

ANGLERS CLUB RAFFLES 1PM

MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1400

MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY: 11AM-5.30PM

BINGO 11AM

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

DINE AND DISCOVER VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

Barraba Show roundup 2022

There were many highlights at this year's show and one of them was the Xtreme Bronc ride on Friday night that attracted many excited spectators to see the cream of the crop in bronc riding take part. One of the major sponsors for this event was the NSW Government with funding for a 2022 Country Shows Support Package aimed at helping agricultural shows bounce back from the hardships of the past 4 years.

Prize money for the Open Six Bar jumping event was also provided from this package, helping to attract more competitors and bring increased number of spectators to our show and the Barraba community. The grandstand was full and many more watched from the grass area while this event was in action.

Saturday night saw the excitement of the open rodeo, with live music provided after each night's rodeos. Both bands were also sponsored by the Country Shows Package. Thank you to Kevin Anderson and the NSW Government for providing this much needed funding to help provide this entertainment to the Barraba community and attract visitors to Barraba.

Other items supported by this funding were: Security services, PA system improvement, new pavilion stands & campdraft panels.



All photos courtesy of Brie Stanger Photography

BARRABA SHUTTER BUGS AT THE SHOW

The dust has settled after a hectic few days at the Barraba Show. As the new Chief Steward of the Photography Section, I have to say the quality of this year's images was impressive. The photography display drew many favourable comments from people visiting the main pavilion.

Shutter Bug members provided a big percentage of the entries and were rewarded with prizes for their efforts. The judge, Amber Hall from Bingara, commented that most of the exhibits demonstrated good composition. Congratulations and well done to the major prize winners:

Kaye Sawyer – Champion Black & White Photo and Grand Champion Photo. Everyone I spoke to agreed with the judge on choosing this image as the Grand Champion. The image of a little girl in deep thought is full of emotion and feeling – a great capture! Kaye has been thinking about joining the Barraba Shutter Bugs and I think this win has helped her to make the commitment.



Paula McIver – Champion Colour Photo. Paula's image was a very eye-catching desert landscape image. The colour was amazing. She also won numerous other 1st and 2nd prizes throughout the classes.



Margaret Harris – Most Successful Exhibitor. A lot of Margaret's incredible images were captured whilst on a photography tour through SA, central Australia and NT. Margaret is a great photographer and was well rewarded for her efforts.



Congratulations also go to Sue Retschlag and Brenda McColl picking up several 1st and 2nd prizes each.

It was great to see entries from some of our newer members (Lynne Martin and Helen Bridges) and I encourage them, and others, to keep snapping those wonderful shots. There is always next year.

There were some very impressive school entries this year, mainly from Primary School students. It is wonderful to see young people enjoying photography. Perhaps one day they will join the Shutter Bug group too?



Thank you to those Shutter Bugs who have supported the section through generous sponsorship this year, helping us increase the prize pool on offer: Sandra Allen, Paula McIver, Sue Retschlag, Brenda McColl (Rocky Glen Ag) and Jane Martin (Manilla Express Digital Print Kiosk). A special thanks to Barraba Potters & Craft Guild who sponsored classes for the Guild and the Shutter Bugs.

Has the Show sparked your interest in photography? Why not join the Barraba Shutter Bugs to share your passion with like minded people. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at The Claypan Gallery in Barraba. Follow our Facebook for further details (Barraba Shutter Bugs).

Wool Section – Show Report by Ian McColl

It was pleasing to receive 27 fleeces in the Wool Section this year. The wool was of a very high standard, congratulations to all of the exhibitors. We thank Mr Maurice McNeill, who travelled from Brisbane, to judge the fleeces.

CHAMPION OPEN CLASS FLEECE was won by AC Smith & Co, who also won the BARRABA & DISTRICT CHAMPION FLEECE and HIGHEST POINT SCORE awards.

HIGHEST COMMERCIAL VALUE FLEECE went to Gemma White with a value of \$91.75.

CHAMPION HOGGET FLEECE went to Rocky Glen Ag, who also won the **MOST SUCCESSFUL BARRABA & DISTRICT EXHIBITOR** prize.

The Wool Section owes a special thanks to Howard Carter, Bevan Benson, Roger Bomford and Brenda McColl for their help and assistance over the Show weekend.

Many thanks to the exhibitors who donated show fleeces to the Barraba PA&H Society – AC Smith & Co, Rocky Glen Ag, Howard & Kerry Carter, Charlie & Cloey Cordingley and Bruce & Sue Retschlag. 13 fleeces in total.

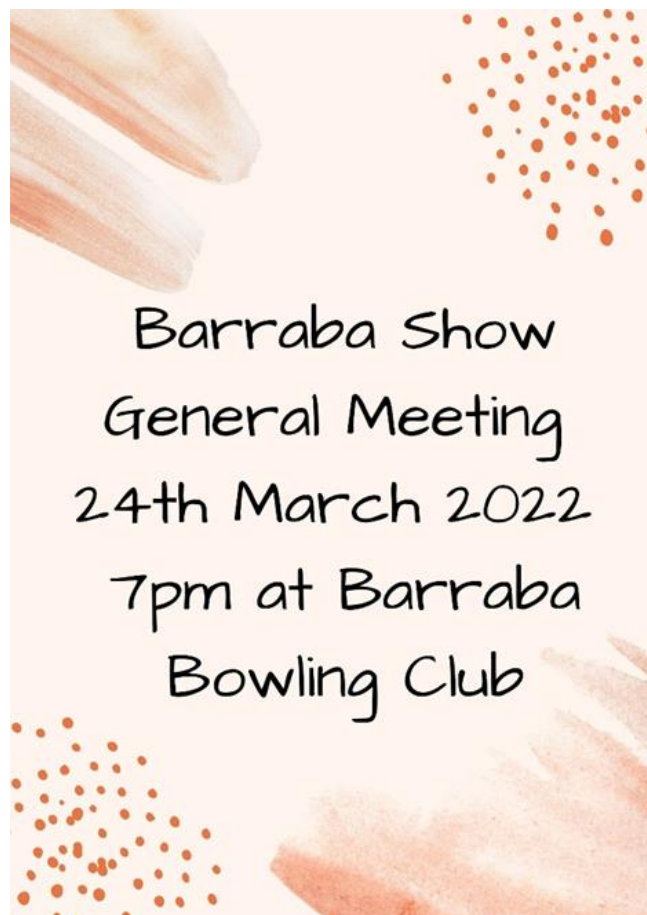
Thanks, also, to our generous sponsors – Taminda Wool Trading, Schute Bell Badgery Lumby, Rocky Glen Ag, JF & AM Doak, IT & N Spencer Memorial, Stock & Crop, Barraba PA&H Association Inc and Appledore Pastoral Co.



Wool Judge Maurice McNeill with Ian McColl wool chief steward. Photo courtesy Brenda McColl.

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BARRABA CATTLE SHOW 2022

SHORTHORNS

JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Nagol Park Romance R118

Exhibitor: RW & NL Evans

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Nagol Park

Romance R119 Exhibitor: RW & NL Evans

SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE Nagol Park Ellies Romance

L146 Exhibitor: RW & NL Evans

RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE Kingsley Vale Ellie's

CloudyM4 Exhibitor: Kingsley Vale Shorthorns

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE Nagol Park Ellies Romance

L146

JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Kingsley Vale Sully S2 Exhibitor:

Kingsley Vale Shorthorns

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Kingsley Vale Rapid

Fire R18 Exhibitor: Kingsley Vale Shorthorn

GRAND CHAMPION BULL Kingsley Vale Sully S2

RED ANGUS

JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Mellowood P500 Rumba

Exhibitor: Mellowood Red Angus

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Mellowood Sweet Vera Exhibitor: Mellowood Red Angus

SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE GK M37 Red Maple Exhibitor: Mellowood Red Angus

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE GK M37 Red Maple

JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Mellowood Red Sniper Exhibitor: Mellowood Red Angus

GRAND CHAMPION BULL Mellowood Red Sniper

SIMMENTALS

JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Mala-Daki Phyllis Exhibitor: Mala-Daki Simmentals

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Kidman Downs Sage Exhibitor: Kidman Downs Simmentals

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE Mala-Daki Phyllis

JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Lucky Clover Thunder Struck Exhibitor: Lucky Clover Simmentals

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Mala-Daki Chewbacca Exhibitor: Mala-Daki Simmentals

GRAND CHAMPION BULL Lucky Clover Thunder Struck

HEREFORDS

JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER Tycolah Pacette S005 Exhibitor: SR & TA Crowley

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER The Forest Harmony S222 Exhibitor: HC & DM White

SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE Tycolah Corisande N179 Exhibitor: SR & TA Crowley

RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE The Forest Harmony M148 Exhibitor: HC & DM White

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE Tycolah Corisande N179

JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Tycolah Universe S001 Exhibitor: SR & TA Crowley

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL Tycolah Tedesco R032 Exhibitor: SR & TA Crowley

GRAND CHAMPION BULL Tycolah Universe S001

CHAMPION LED STEER Mali-Daki Sox Exhibitor: Mali-Daki Simmentals

INTERBREED CLASSES

BREEDERS GROUP Kingsley Vale Shorthorns

SIRES PROGENY Nagol Park Shorthorns

BEST TWO FEMALES under TWO YEARS Nagol Park Shorthorns

BEST TWO BULLS under TWO YEARS Kingsley Vale Shorthorns

INTERBREED HEIFER OWNED BY Junior (under 18 years) Logan Evans (shorthorn)

BEST COW AND CALF Nagol Park ELMT Romance L146

GRAND CHAMPION BULL Kingsley Vale Sully S2

GRAND CHAMPION COW Nagol Park ELMT Romance L146

SUPREME BEAST Nagol Park ELMT Romance L146



Owned by Roger & Naomi Evans. She also was the champion Cow & calf and the champion female. Cows name is NP ELMT Romance L146

MOST SUCCESSFUL EXHIBITOR Tycolah Poll Herefords

JUNIOR CATTLE JUDGING

7 and UNDER 12

1st Arley Crowley

12 and UNDER 15

1st Angus Spry

2nd Gemma White

15 and UNDER 25

1st Emily Taylor

2nd Will Filla

3rd Charlie Barber

JUNIOR PARADERS

7 AND UNDER 12

1st Kingsley Collins

2nd Arley Crowley

12 AND UNDER 15

1st Angus Spry

2nd Gemma White

3rd Hayden Evans

16 AND UNDER 25

1st Joshua Evans

2nd Mitchell Taylor

3rd Emily Taylor

CHAMPION PARADER Joshua Evans

Barraba Show Campdraft

Congratulations to the Barraba Show campdraft committee, competitors, sponsors and donors of cattle for the staging of a very successful long weekend of drafting, commencing at daylight on Thursday and finishing after lunch on Sunday. Thank you to Brie Stanger Photography for this photo.

Pictured is our very own Barraba Show 2022 Young Woman Brook Smith competing in the Maiden B campdraft.



Horse Sports

Event 11 – Barrel Race (BOY/GIRL 13-17years)

- 1st – Regan Simpson ridding Corona (18.32)
- 2nd – Zara McMurtrie ridding Amber (20.28)
- 3rd – Bridie May ridding Della (23.07)
- 4th – Claudia Smith ridding Bullseye (24.32)

Event 10 – Barrel Race (BOY/GIRL 9-13 years)

- 1st – Molly Green ridding Jackson (19.97)
- 2nd – Chloe McMurtrie ridding Pippi (20.47)
- 3rd – Poppy Barwick ridding Lily (22.44)
- 4th – Sophie Brown ridding Disco (23.66)

Event 12 – Barrel Race (OPEN)

- 1st – Regan Simpson ridding Corona (18.24)
- 2nd – Chloe McMurtrie ridding Pippi (20.28)
- 3rd – Zara McMurtrie ridding Amber (20.47)
- 4th – Poppy Barwick ridding Lawson (21.47)

Event 5 – Bending Race (BOY/GIRL 9-13 years)

- 1st – Isla Martin ridding Molly (15.50)
- 2nd – Sarah Barwick ridding Elvie (15.53)
- 3rd – Sophie Brown ridding Disco (15.63)
- 4th – Poppy Barwick ridding Lucy (15.88)

Event 4 – Bending Race (BOY/GIRL under 9)

- 1st – Olivia Tonkin ridding Jaz (16.43)

- 2nd – Wyatt Gill ridding Kiwi (19.57)

- 3rd – Beau Ross ridding Patsy (20.47)

- 4th – Annabelle Fletcher (20.68)

Event 8 – Bending Race (OPEN)

- 1st – Sarah Barwick ridding Elvie (12.44)

- 2nd – Poppy Barwick ridding Lucy (14.34)

- 3rd – Elly Byriell ridding Sudoko (14.65)

- 4th – Kylie Fairfull ridding Moonshine (14.66)

Event 6 – Bending Race (BOY/GIRL 13-17 years)

- 1st – Regan Simpson ridding Corona (11.43)

- 2nd – Zara McMurtrie ridding Amber (11.78)

- 3rd – Jack Kelly (14.00)

- 4th – Bridie May ridding Della (15.75)

Event 5 – Bending Race (BOY/GIRL under 13)

- 1st – Regan Simpson ridding Corona (18.24)

- 2nd – Chloe McMurtrie ridding Pippi (20.28)

- 3rd – Zara McMurtrie ridding Amber (20.47)

- 4th – Poppy Barwick ridding Lawson (21.47)

Event 7 – Flag Race (OPEN)

- 1st – Oliver Sinclair ridding Tug (49.25)

- 2nd – Chloe McMurtrie ridding Pippi (52.27)

- 3rd – Elly Byriell ridding Sudoko (52.57)

- 4th – Kylie Fairfall ridding Moonshine (55.70)

Event 3 – Flag Race (BOY/GIRL under 17years)

- 1st – Regan Simpson ridding Corona (41.52)

- 2nd – Zara McMurtrie ridding Amber (50.13)

- 3rd – Jack Kelly (55.23)

- 4th – Sybella Bowman ridding Kiwi (1.06.10)

Event 2 – Flag Race (BOY/GIRL 9-13 years)

- 1st – Chloe McMurtrie ridding Pippi (52.53)

- 2nd – Isla Martin ridding Molly (59.27)

- 3rd – Oliver Sinclair ridding Prince (59.81)

- 4th – Mia Goodwin ridding Bowtie (1.00.25)

Event 1 – Flag Race (BOY/GIRL under 9 years)

- 1st – Olivia Tonkin ridding Jaz (59.97)

- 2nd – Jessica Fletcher ridding Prince (1.20.06)

- 3rd – Wyatt Gill ridding Kiwi (1.21.93)

- 4th – Rocco White ridding Blondie (1.22.50)

Saddle Bronc Ride

Round 1

- 1st Place – Anthony Caldwell (84)

- 2nd Place – Jake Moffat (79.5)

- 3rd Place – Rory Sheppard (78.52)

- 4th Place – Greg Hamilton (77.5)

- 5th Place – Mick Knight (77)

- 6th Place – Darcy Radel (77)

Round 2/Final

1st Place – Greg Hamilton (84.5)

2nd Place – Mick Knight (82)

3rd Place – Darcy Radal (76.5)

Aggregate

1st Place – Greg Hamilton (162)

2nd Place – Mick Knight (159)

3rd Place – Darcy Radal (153.5)

4th Place – Tony Caldwell (84)

5th Place – Jake Moffat (79.5)

6th Place – Rory Sheppard (76.5)

Farmers Challenge Results

Tiny Tiny Farmers Challenge

1st Place – Alfie Abell (59.20)

2nd Place – Walter Abell (1.08.60)

3rd Place – Bently Steward (1.23.87)

Tiny Farmers Challenge

1st Place – Lachlan Hands (1.18.32)

2nd Place – Will Fitzgerald (1.25.80)

3rd Place – Thomas Gadd (1.27.72)

Pet Show a Great Success and Great Fun

It was a perfect day for the children's annual Pet Show, and every one of the 87 entries and their handlers seemed to have a great time. Perhaps not 'Softly' the Silky Hen, stuck in her cage! I guess it was the safest place with all the over active dogs straining at their leads. Softly's consolation was that she and her owner, Crispian Eddington, were names Runner-up Champion of the Show. Grand Champion of the Show was 'Bill', lead by Amelia Kilmore.



That's the MC of the Pet Show, Bill Croll, in the background. Once again, he did a wonderful job on the microphone, keeping the show running and keeping the crowd, and the pets, entertained.



Thanks to Chief Steward Terry Threlfall, Steward Meredyth Bell, and our judge, Peta from the Barraba Veterinary Clinic, for all your hard work.

Particular thanks to our sponsors, and those providing the prizes: Meg Crowley, H W Atkinson Memorial, IGA Barraba, Barraba RSL and Recreation Club, Barraba RSL Anglers Club, Stock and Crop, and Hart Rural.

And a special thanks to all the children and their parents who came along and made it a fun day. See you next year.

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THE LIVING CLASSROOM, BINGARA
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rear – Tamara Sutherland, Debbie Sutherland, Brad Sutherland, Paul White, Historical Society President Carolyn Faint

front – Historical Society members Lesley Grigg, Julie Williams, Diana Sims. (missing Treasurer Margaret Currell)

The Aboriginal families of Barraba

On Sunday morning 13 March,

Nandewar Historical Society members gathered at the Barraba Museum for a talk and discussion led by Brad Sutherland from Tamworth. Brad was accompanied by his wife Debbie, granddaughter Tamara, and uncle Paul White from Manilla.

Brad and his family had a wealth of information, showing Museum members many books and records about aboriginal families that, since white settlement, have passed through and have settled in the Barraba district.

A really interesting few hours; the Museum hopes to develop a permanent display of local Aboriginal history.

History Notes

A busy few days for members this week with the markets and some interesting visitors on Sunday, and this is meeting week as well. The markets went off well on Saturday- just a couple less stalls than usual and a steady stream of visitors visiting the stalls and having a rest on the terrace at the back of the museum. Just one visitor to the museum was perhaps a little disappointing.

Sunday's meeting with visitors from Tamworth, who came to talk about our aboriginal residents in the past, was most interesting. The puzzle re a woman from Quirindi with a selection of names has been solved with an official certificate-a great relief to those who have been on the trail for some time.

There has been a request re Dick Smith, who was a resident of Cobbadah, and who is buried there. He is in the back section of the Cobbadah Book published by the historical society in 1975. Apparently, he was an orphan left on a doorstep in Victoria somewhere and Barraba's local solicitor, J. B. Ryan, was unable to find out any more than that when Dick made his will at retirement age. He is the only person buried in the Cobbadah Cemetery.

Another personality of the Cobbadah area was Harry Bushell. He was the son of a maintenance man and grew up with his family in a bark hut on Duncombe's selection near Cobbadah. Harry worked on the property "Ouyan" for 33 years earning himself the reputation for reliability- the society has a photo of him doing just that.

He retired to Cobbadah, living in a little hut in the village and it is described in Betty Crowley's book in great detail but has since disappeared. He enjoyed reading the paper particularly the horse racing in the Sydney Mail. Fred Randall was a close friend to Harry and the pair spent many hours together.

Harry Bushell died on 20th October, 1955 at the age of 78 years and is buried in Barraba. Fred Randall died just two years later and is also buried in Barraba.

This book also contains some information on Joseph Johnson, who was an early settler in the village and Charlie Robinson who had an interesting past history before settling in the area.

Charlie White, hotel keeper, at Cobbadah, was a bit of a poet as well as "Mine Host" and wrote a few lines known as "The Joke that Misfired" about his kitchen maid who was being courted by three local men. It seems the School Master won her heart in the end.

In Memoriam



Robyn Power

Your kind and beautiful heart stopped
15th March 2021

Loving partner of Doug Hatch.

Loving mother of Gina and Yvette.

Loving grandmother to Dylan, Rhys and
Piper.

Loving great grandmother to Willow.
Rest in peace

Catholic message from Fr. John Curran

"Ask and it will be given, Seek and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened" (Matthew 7:7) Jesus' sermon on the hill is a great place to start reading the Bible.

At times we want something so badly we take shortcuts; we eat fast food knowing it is not always good for us in the long run; we speed read books, or don't read at all and just watch the movie; and we miss the wisdom in the book.

There are some things we should never hurry!!!

Maybe we want peace and fulfilment, but we try and find it on our own without patiently waiting for the right guide, the wiser person who takes her time, waiting till you or I am ready to hear.

We need to patiently wait for the Lord to act; we need to believe that God will answer us in the way that is best for us, and at the time that is most helpful for us.

What do you need the Lord to help you with? Are you or I patient enough to give God time to work for us, and I know sometimes we get tested by the feeling our prayers fall on deaf ears. We've all been there. Jesus even felt abandoned at times.

Keep in mind in these dark times the people affected so badly by the floods: they really need patience, as do the citizens of Ukraine, and the Russians who oppose the current war.

Peace for the world!!!

Fr John Curran St John's parish

Barraba Cancer Patients Fund Raising Group

Annual Report 2021

Once again owing to Covid restrictions our activities for the year were very limited.

The 'Biggest Morning Tea' was held in the Mall, with deliveries to business houses. This event was in conjunction with a particularly well laden street stall. This was an extremely successful morning and many thanks to all who kindly helped and supported the event. All enjoyed the music supplied by David, Dorothy and friends, we do appreciate their kind gesture.

The Committee is extremely grateful for the generous donations given during the year and also goods kindly donated for raffles.

We again catered at the Ironbark Bull Sale; we always appreciate this opportunity and the Spencer family's generous donation of meat. Thanks to the helpers, cooks and a big thank you to Rotary for the use of their great BBQ.

Donations have been given to the Cancer Council, Tamworth Cancer Centre and Inala House Tamworth.

Thanks to all the members for their help and support, Andy for the use of his premises and David for the financial report.

We are desperately seeking more members to enable our group to carry on, we would very much welcome any new faces.

Best wishes to all for a successful year

Ros Peake President

Barraba Anglican Parish
St Laurence's Barraba: Sunday
service at 9.00am
Woodsreef: 2nd Sundays
11.30am
Bereen: 4th Sundays 6.00pm

Uniting Church Notice
Sunday 20TH March 2022.
The service is at 10.45am

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTES
Barraba—1st & 5th Sunday 6pm
2nd 3rd & 4th Sunday 9am
Upper Horton 3rd Sunday
11am
Weekday Mass Wednesday
10am



The next **Grey Fergie Tractor Muster and Land Rover Gathering** in Bendemeer is on **18-20 March 2022**. [Registrations are now open](#). If you are planning on entering your Grey Fergie or Land Rover, please head over to the [registration page](#) - this helps us to plan and also to have your entrant's bag prepared.

The gates will be open to the spectators from 9am Saturday 19 March, with the Grand Parade at 1pm.

BARRABA BOWLS

Business House Bowls

A few years back this was started at the Bowling Club and Annette Riley donated a trophy in memory of her father. This was presented to the winning team and the trophy was to be returned to the Club for future events.

The winners have forgotten to return it, so if you have it sitting in your business or home would you please return it to the Club. The competition has been going for 2 years and the trophy cannot be found at the Club.

The Riley family and the Club wish to see it in circulation once again. Thank you.



Rugby Union News

Last week Kevin Anderson told Barraba Rugby officials that they were successful in gaining a 'Stronger Communities Grant' for \$678073 for upgrading facilities at the Rugby Club.

One of the main items to be addressed will be the new change rooms for female players which will allow them to get ready in their own quarters instead of sharing with the men, with specific times for use so they don't clash.

Other improvements to take place will include a First Aid room, store room, referees change room, rumpus room for the young ones and more space in the Club area. The Clubhouse has been used and hired for several functions over the years and should prove to be more accessible to many more organisations on the completion of the work.

The grounds and the facilities have been used by the schools for carnivals, football, cross country, with junior cricket and junior rugby (one of the biggest carnivals in the north) touch football, senior cricket and Central North rugby training camps. So, with the additions, all these sports bodies will have better facilities available. Training is going well on Tuesday nights with reasonably good numbers attending. The first game is on April 9th in Narrabri followed by a bye weekend over Easter.

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Message from the Editor

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Regional Dam Levels from Water NSW



Chaffey 100.3%
Copeton 93.0%
Keepit 98.8%
Split Rock 70.5%

Barraba 7 day Forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology



Wednesday 16 Mar

Summary Max 29

Mostly sunny

Chance of any rain: 5%



Thursday 17 Mar

Summary Min 12 Max 30

Mostly sunny

Chance of rain: 5%



Friday 18 Mar

Summary Min 13 Max 30

Sunny

Chance of any rain: 10%



Saturday 19 Mar

Summary Min 13 Max 30

Mostly sunny

Chance of any rain: 10%



Sunday 20 Mar

Summary Min 14 Max 29

Sunny

Chance of rain: 10%



Monday 21 Mar

Summary Min 13 Max 30

Sunny

Chance of any rain: 20%



Tuesday 22 Mar

Summary Min 14 Max 30

Sunny

Chance of any rain: 10%



CELEBRATE SENIORS HELPING OUR REGION THRIVE

Seniors who make our region a great place to live can be recognised for their efforts, with Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson encouraging the community to nominate superstar seniors as part of the 2022 NSW Seniors Festival Local Achievement Award.

Nominations are now open for the awards program which celebrates the work and achievements of seniors in the community.

"Seniors play such an important role in our community as volunteers, role models, carers and I know that so many of our key local organisations could not operate without the assistance of seniors," Mr Anderson said.

If you know a senior who has gone above and beyond for their community, I would sincerely encourage you to nominate them to acknowledge their contribution."

Winners of the Local Achievement Awards will be announced during the NSW Seniors Festival which runs from 25 March – 3 April. The awards program is part of an exciting schedule of events across the state.

It is the largest festival for seniors in the Southern Hemisphere and enables older people to engage with each other, their community, services and supports.

To nominate a local senior or find further information on the program, please contact Mr Anderson's office at (02) 6766 1422.