



BARRABA COMMUNITY NEWS

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Dive into Reading Book Fair

Our Annual Book Fair is over for another year. Each day at recess, Secondary SRC members visited the Primary students to read with us while we ate. Thank you, Miss Mulligan for organising the Secondary SRC students to read, what a fabulous initiative. Thank you to Lilly Turner, Phoebe Hunter, Hannah Walker, Bella Dipple, Michala Princic and Isabelle for your input. The student audience should also be congratulated on being respectful while the girls read.

A highlight was the Family Read-In on Thursday 19 May, where we donned our PJs and were treated to sharing the nightly reading routines of many of our families. Our radical reading Principal Mr Sullivan started the evening with a reading of Hairy Maclary which we all know and love. Families who shared their nightly reading routines of farting, making noises and using expressive voices included the Hands, Johnson, Watkins, McIlrick, Brighton, Kenny, Denyer, Russell and Coombes families. We were very lucky to also listen to Kade Spence, Leo Lawlor and Cody Simpson read Pig the Star which was fantastic.

Mrs Sweeney showed us how teachers engage the students while reading Pog. We all enjoyed milo and cake prepared by Miss Hook, Mrs Middlemiss, Michala Princic and Hannah Walker. We all dived into reading many a good book and had a fun night. A colouring competition was also held and Bella Markwort-Milides, Zane Chapman and Abigail Johnson each won a poster for their sensational colouring. Thanks to everyone who supported our Book Fair with the purchase of a book or additional items. Early morning sales were hot, while Thursday was also constant. To our surprise, the Library benefitted from \$500 worth of books which was 30% of sales. We are very grateful to Samuel Crowley, Hayden Crowley, Bella Markwort-Milides, Kobi Milides, Karen Hughson, Mylee Groth, Sophie Mawson, Tillie Kenny, Charlie and Leah Kelly and Georgia and Riley King for their generous donations of books.

Until next year, keep exposing your children to 3 books per day- a favourite, a new book and just one more!...give books for birthdays and Christmas and sing rhymes to promote a love of reading. Thanks again and remember to look on the school Facebook site for the fantastic mini-movie which Mrs Bluett created, with photos of all our students diving into reading.

Mrs King Librarian



Mr Sullivan (Principal) reading his favourite book to students and their families.



Melinda Howison with daughters Finlae, Caydence and Keiana Brighton

The Biggest Morning Tea

The Secondary campus participated in the Biggest Morning Tea on Thursday 19 May 2022 to help the Cancer Council raise much needed funds to go towards vital cancer research, support services, prevention programs and advocacy. It was organised by Edward Duggan and is supported by the Barraba Cancer Patients Fundraising Group, an offshoot of the Big Morning Tea held from 9am in the Queen Street Mall. Thank you to all who donated baked goods.

Well done Edward Duggan for raising \$410.00



Edward Duggan

CPR Training

Years 4, 5 & 6 engaged in a CPR Training Session and learned the DRSABCD process. They learnt how to put someone into the recovery position and how to administer CPR. Mrs Lowe





Welcome to
Barraba RSL
and Recreation Club

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Phone: 67821379
For the information of members and guests

WE ARE A COVID-19 SAFE CLUB
ALL NSW HEALTH REGULATIONS APPLY

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 \$1,300

SATURDAY: 10AM-
SUNDAY: 10AM-5.30PM
ANGLERS CLUB RAFFLES 1PM
MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1,000

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



Cobbadah Flowers
Marnie Crowley
0267822045
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An update of the happenings at the Men's Shed.

Our major project at the moment is completing the commission given to us by the Catholic School for outdoor seating. These benches are nearing completion and will be delivered to the school in the near future. This work would have been ready sooner if the Shed had more members. Members can be of two kinds social and /or workers. So, ladies if the man in your life is under your feet and you need more room to do your thing then why not encourage him to be part of the Men's Shed community. To the men of the district if you have a few hours to spare why not join this Association and have some hand- on work?

The Shed is open for work and socialising on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.00am to 12 noon and is situated behind the Court House and access is gained by way of Clifton Lane.

The shop is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings from 9.00am to 12 noon and it is situated next to the Chemist Shop.

At the shop we sell books, DVDs and furniture some of which is on consignment and some given and refurbished, so please call in and see what is on show.

A final plea. We are short of members so if you can spare some time and help, even if it is one morning for a few hours we would be pleased to welcome you.



History Notes

Winter has arrived and Market Day is next week - the first of possibly three cold markets. The weather is pleasant if it remains fine and the markets are held in winter sunlight, so hopefully we get a fine weekend next week.

This week I have had a call from a Reading descendant who will visit in a couple of weeks. He is a Reading descendant but rather vague about which one when I asked which Reading family- Woods Reef or The Junction, Glen Riddle. The only clues he gave were - "I am going to Bingara as well" and then "Where is Rocky River?" Hopefully we can sort him out when he arrives.

Returning to the Mount Kaputar road project which started in June, 1937. Cr.T.G. Carter, President of the Barraba Shire, spoke to Mr Chaffey, MLA re the project, showing him maps and photos. Later while still in Sydney, Mr Carter met with the minister for Works & Local Government to discuss the project.

Also, in June, the paper noted that the surveyors were doing survey work at Mt Kaputar. The Barraba mayor, Ald.W.J.O'Meara, was also organizing a picnic party to Kaputar and in July, J.B.Ryan was following up on the resort idea for Kaputar.

In April 1938, two lorry loads of equipment arrived in Barraba on their way to the Kaputar road where workmen had already started to build huts in preparation for an early start. (most people will have seen a photo of that camp covered in snow!)

It was noted that there was little unemployment in Barraba and outside labour would be needed to build this

road which was to run via Kaputar over to join trunk road 72 near Narrabri.

In May 1938 forty-four men arrived in Barraba and were conveyed to the camp site on the Mount Kaputar road - local unemployed men were not happy to be overlooked.

W.J.O'Meara was elected Mayor for his fourth term in December, 1937, and later the next year he welcomed the Minister for works, Mr E.S.Spooner, to inspect the Mount Kaputar road while in Barraba. Mr Spooner was impressed by the project which showed many opportunities for closer settlement in the future.

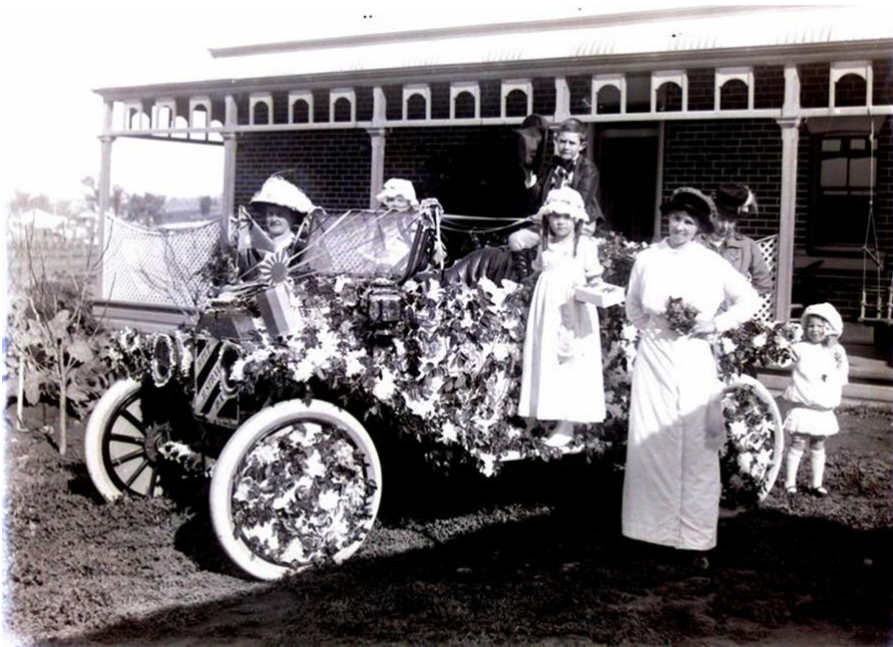
While in Barraba, Mr Spooner discussed the need for a sewerage service and was also anxious that the council should install a garbage system. (Barraba did not have a tip at this stage.) He hinted that the government could help with both projects on liberal terms.

In the mean-time work was proceeding on the Kaputar road although little mention is given due to the town projects such as road sealing, bridges and water connections. Barraba was also suffering from a heatwave with readings of 107-109 - well over 40 degrees in today's measurements. Several Barraba citizens began to build a swimming pool in the river near the Bingara Road bridge so that residents could cool off. The heatwave broke with a very severe storm - some more details next week.



Market Day

This Saturday 11th June Pottery, Plants, Jams, Honey, Used Books, Barraba History. 8.30 to 12 noon
Museum Open



Percy Williams pictures published by Brian Coote.

Percy Williams Model T Ford covered in flowers and ribbons for the "Help Australia Day" Parade in Barraba.

Sarah (Mrs Percy) on the left end and young Joyce Williams on the extreme right. As the Model T was only a two & a half seater, the parade would involve most of them standing on the running boards.



Mrs Percy Williams, Sarah Priscilla Carmody dressed up for her part in the "Help Australia Day" Parade in Barraba

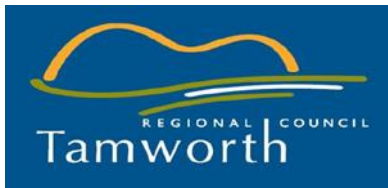
Percy Williams & his daughter Joyce in his Model T Ford.

One of Percy's glass plates.



Garage Sale

11th June 2022
17 Maude Street
8am onwards
Holden Parts
Ford Parts
Tool Box 6ft x 2 stories
Casters and odd bits



Connecting with our community through a new communications strategy

Council is taking the next step in improving our connection with our community across the Tamworth region by developing a region-wide communications strategy.

The Tamworth Regional Council Communications Strategy will guide how we listen to our community and share information. The recent community survey highlighted open and transparent communication as a priority and this strategy will support our commitment to open, two-way dialogue between Council and the community.

Council will be working closely with the community, internal and external stakeholders across the region, to ensure the strategy directly reflects the communication challenges and opportunities within the community. To make our strategy as practical and relevant as possible, we need strong community input.

Executive Manager of Strategy and Performance, Jason Collins said Council is looking forward to developing a community centred strategy. "Developing a Strategy is a

critical step forward for us to ensure communication with our community is clear, transparent, and reaches as many people as we can."

"Through the development of this Strategy, we aim to identify and develop the most effective ways to engage with our diverse range of audiences. This will help us advance *Blueprint 100*, ensuring we are ready for the future of communications and engagement," said Mr Collins.

To help us understand the best ways to communicate with you we are running an online survey and community workshops during June.

Please register for the workshops via <https://haveyoursay.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/lets-connect> or by phoning 02 6767 5477. We also encourage you to please complete the online survey on Council's website <https://haveyoursay.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/lets-connect>

Council allocates 7 million dollars to road maintenance across the region

Informed by the Community Survey, which sought community input between December 2021 – January 2022, Tamworth Regional Council has developed a number of plans for the region including Our Community Plan (The Plan) 2023-2033. Our Community Plan is a community-owned strategic plan for the future of the Tamworth region. An important outcome of the Community Survey is that the top concern and area of dissatisfaction of the community is the quality of the roads in the region.

Due to three Natural Disasters, higher than average rainfall and several significant storm events over the last 12-18 months, our road network has deteriorated, creating a substantial volume of work for our road maintenance teams. As an immediate response to this feedback

and the sheer number of roads within our LGA which require urgent repairs, Council has allocated \$7,000,000 in additional road maintenance resources over the coming months. Council will be engaging, effective immediately, four additional contract maintenance crews on the roads, they will be re-sheeting, resealing, continuing to plan unsealed drainage work and completing day to day maintenance. This funding will ensure our region's roads are returned to a high standard, addressing the community's concerns.

As a result, the community can expect to see a ramp up in road maintenance works in the coming months. Council will continue to communicate and maintain transparency on how they plan to improve the regions roads.

Visit tamworth.nsw.gov.au/roads for more information.

Councillor contact update



Tamworth Regional Council has changed the way community members are able to contact Councillors among a range of active steps towards stronger cyber security. Responding recently to high-risk notifications from the NSW Cyber Security Centre, Tamworth Regional Council removed all direct email addresses from the website. There is now an easy-to-use online contact form. It will help filter out unwanted spam and phishing attempts. During May alone over 15.2% of inbound emails to the trc@tamworth.nsw.gov.au account were blocked by Tamworth Regional Council's firewall for reasons

including malware, spam, phishing and other cyber threats.

If you wish to email Councillors, please go to Contact a Councillor Form | Tamworth Regional Council (nsw.gov.au) and fill in the form.



SUPPORTING MULTICULTURAL EVENTS

Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson has joined Minister for Multiculturalism Mark Coure today to encourage local community organisations in the region to apply for their share in multicultural event funding.

“Our community enjoys a number of multicultural festivals and events that celebrate the more than 90 nationalities and cultures that call the region home,” Mr Anderson said. “Events like Fiesta La Peel and Gunnedah’s Harmony Day are hugely popular and would not be possible without our volunteers and local community organisations working behind the scenes to make them a success for our whole community to enjoy.

The Multicultural NSW Stronger Together Grants program offers a helping hand to our local organisations delivering these multicultural events.

I encourage all our local eligible non-profit organisations to consider applying for this funding to ensure the success of their next event.”

Minister for Multiculturalism Mark Coure said the Multicultural NSW Stronger Together Grants program supports many grassroots community-led events across NSW.

“These grants provide eligible applicants between \$5,000 and \$15,000 for events and festivals, which showcase the strength of our cultural diversity in NSW,” Mr Coure said.

“Whether you attend, organise or volunteer at a community festival or event, the NSW Government is making our multicultural calendar more vibrant and accessible.”

Multicultural NSW Stronger Together Grants have previously supported community Harmony Day events, interfaith and intercultural conferences and social inclusion sports days.

Applications are now open and close Friday 17 June. For more information about the Multicultural NSW Grants Program and to apply, visit <https://multicultural.nsw.gov.au/grants>

ANDERSON WELCOMES RECORD HEALTH WORKFORCE BOOST

The NSW Government has announced a record 10,148 full-time equivalent staff will be recruited to hospitals and health services across the State over four years, in the nation’s largest-ever health workforce boost.

Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson said the \$4.5 billion investment over four years, which will be included in the 2022/23 budget, was welcome news to local health workers and the community who have been calling for more staff in the region’s hospitals.

“Health workers have been working tirelessly over the pandemic to keep our community in good health,” Mr Anderson said.

“This \$4.5 billion investment will see more staff recruited directly to our hospitals, giving existing staff confidence that they will soon have

more hands on deck as the needs of the community continue to grow.”

7,674 more workers will be recruited in the first year, including nurses and midwives, doctors, paramedics, pathologists and scientific staff, pharmacists and allied health professionals, as well as support and ancillary staff who ensure the continued operation of NSW hospitals and the wider health system.

Mr Anderson added that the increase in staff numbers would couple with improving infrastructure across the region.

“With the Gunnedah Hospital, Tamworth Ambulance Station, and Better Banksia projects well underway, the boost in the health workforce is timely and welcome news and ensures that our major health infrastructure projects will be appropriately staffed.

I look forward to working with the Regional Health Minister Bronnie Taylor on addressing the staffing needs of all of our regions health facilities.”

A strong feature of this health workforce boost is the record investment into NSW Ambulance, with \$1.76 billion announced to recruit 2,128 new staff and open 30 more stations across NSW.

GUNNEDAH SALEYARDS UPGRADE BEEFS UP INDUSTRY

Major upgrades to Gunnedah Saleyards will cement their position as one of the premier locations for selling livestock in NSW, in a significant economic boost for the region.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional NSW Paul Toole said the \$17.6 million upgrades would future-proof the local beef industry and help

put the region's primary producers on the map.

"Gunnedah is a critical agriculture hub in NSW, and this project will bring a state-of-the-art facility to the region for marketing livestock both domestically and internationally," Mr Toole said.

"Gunnedah Saleyards have sold up to \$80 million worth of cattle annually in the past few years, and the upgrades will allow even more people to access the facilities, bolstering potential buyers and massively boosting the local economy and wider region."

Minister for Agriculture Dugald Saunders said the redevelopment will significantly improve the facilities at Gunnedah Saleyards, ensuring they continue to thrive and grow.

"This funding will deliver exciting upgrades and innovations such as a cafe, an administration facility, a new truck wash and more workshop sheds," Mr Saunders said.

"It will also go towards improvements to cattle ramps, gates, fencing and watering systems, as well as technological improvements to move them into the future.

Wi-Fi will be installed as well as high-speed internet, which will go a long way to support online sales."

Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson said the NSW Government was investing in projects like this to help drive the state's recovery from COVID-19.

"During the upgrades, the project will bring more jobs to the region by employing more than 80 people throughout the construction period," Mr Anderson said.

"Once complete, the updated facility will then support the retention of staff at the saleyards, as well as encourage the employment of more staff in the long-term."

Gunnedah Shire Mayor Jamie Chaffey said the upgrades will benefit the day-to-day productivity at the saleyards, with the improved loading ramps expected to reduce the time it takes to load and unload cattle.

"The upgrades to parking and lighting across the facilities, a new car park and canteen on the site, and upgrades to the security, office and fencing will deliver an improved working environment while providing a safer workplace for staff as well as any members of public who access the saleyards," Cr Chaffey said.

"This is also an important weekly meeting place for our primary producers to connect, and when completed in mid-2023, this project will ensure Gunnedah Saleyards remain one of NSW's and Australia's premier livestock-selling facilities.

"This is an exciting time for Gunnedah, and the saleyards position us to be prepared for the opportunities ahead."

This project is funded by a \$14 million commitment from the NSW Government under its \$3 billion Infrastructure and Job Acceleration Fund, with \$3.6 million co-funding from Gunnedah Shire Council.

St Laurence's Barraba

Sunday service at 10.00am

Woodsreef: 2nd Sundays

11.30am

Bereen: 4th Sundays

11.30am

Uniting Church Notices

Sunday 12th June
services return to 8.45am

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTES

Barraba—1st & 5th Sunday,

5pm Saturday evening

2nd 3rd & 4th Sunday 9am

Upper Horton 3rd Sunday

11am

Weekday Mass Wednesday

10am

In Memoriam



In Memoriam

Patrick James Brady

11th February 1935 – 6th June

2020

Called to Eternal life

Sadly missed and in God's

care

Judy and family

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From The Squizz... THE ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART



When Anthony Albanese claimed victory for Labor in the recent federal election, he committed to delivering the Uluru

Statement from the Heart in full. So, in this Squiz Shortcut, we take a look at:

- how the Statement came about;
- what it means;
- and how it might be delivered by the federal government.

To start off - what is the Uluru Statement from the Heart?

It's quite a short document made up of just 440 words across 12 paragraphs. It covers 3 things: Voice, Treaty, and Truth.

You're going to have to explain that...

Essentially, the statement calls for the establishment of a 'First Nations Voice' in the Australian Constitution, and a 'Makarrata Commission' to supervise a process of 'agreement-making' and 'truth-telling' between governments and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Hmm. You're going to have to explain that...

We will, but can we give you the preamble first?

Go for it.

In May 2017, 250 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders gathered at the foot of Uluru for a convention. What came from it was a majority resolution that was captured in the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

How did that come about?

It was preceded by years of work and discussion and consultation and wrangling by Indigenous leaders and governments over the reconciliation agenda.

What's the reconciliation agenda about?

Put simply, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples.

And I'm guessing that there's a history behind that too...

There sure is. Australia's colonial history is stained by land dispossession, violence, and racism against Indigenous Australians. Since the 1970s, many significant steps toward reconciliation have been taken, but there's a long way to go to achieve one of the most important markers of equality - that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children have the same quality of life and opportunities as non-Indigenous children.

So where are things at?

One part of the reconciliation agenda has been to move towards the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution. And in 2012, Reconciliation Australia - the lead body working towards reconciliation - started the Recognise campaign.

What was that about?

The Recognise campaign was funded by the federal government and it had a very specific focus: and that was to raise awareness across the Australian community of the need to change the Constitution, in advance of a referendum.

Ok, so there was a campaign... What was the government doing?

During that time, then-PM Malcolm Turnbull worked with Labor leader Bill Shorten to appoint a Referendum Council whose job was to advise the government on steps towards a referendum to recognise Indigenous Australians in the Constitution.

So, what did the Council do?

In 2016, it released a discussion paper that was designed to guide nationwide consultations on constitutional recognition that included things outside the scope of the brief - like the establishment of an 'Indigenous Voice' to parliament and other reforms. What emerged from those consultation meetings was a document that became the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

And that happened at that meeting?

It was the First Nations National Constitutional Convention, and it met over 4 days in May 2017. Delegates were selected from participants in regional Dialogues held around the country.

And the Uluru Statement from the Heart was born?

You got it. And the plan was that it could be a conversation starter about constitutional reform and the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

But would constitutional recognition of Indigenous Australians address the issues they face?

There's been a lot of talk about its limitations in overcoming the social and economic difficulties faced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and the structural impediments to real empowerment. And those who endorsed the Statement say that's why it doesn't just cover recognition - it also seeks reforms to give Indigenous people more power.

Take me through the details...

So the Uluru Statement calls for the 'establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution'. That would see the establishment of a representative body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to provide the

Australian Parliament with non-binding advice on legal and policy matters.

What's the thinking behind that?

It would give Indigenous people a say in how government decisions affect their lives. But a sticking point has been the proposal for it to be a constitutionally entrenched institution. Then-PM Malcolm Turnbull rejected it, saying it would be like a 3rd chamber of the Parliament, but then Indigenous Australians Minister Ken Wyatt got involved and a model emerged for a body with regional and national Indigenous Voices that would be legislated for - no changes to the Constitution required.

But the Coalition lost the last election...

They did, and Labor supports a constitutionally enshrined Voice to Parliament, so we're going to have to wait to see how that evolves...

Have any other nations given their Indigenous people a Voice to parliament?

Yep - there are First Nations parliaments in Norway, Sweden and Finland. And in New Zealand, 7 of its seats in the parliament are reserved for Maori electorates.

But the Voice to parliament still has critics in Oz?

It does, and a lot of that comes from Coalition MPs and senators who are wary about adding an Indigenous Voice to the Constitution because they say any proposal that would impinge on Parliament's supremacy goes against the foundation of our liberal democracy.

And constitutional change requires a referendum, right?

It would and with a referendum comes a campaign with advocates giving their cases for and against the proposal. And there's little appetite for a campaign against moves that are meant to empower Indigenous Australians. So, getting the proposal right is important.

So, what's the deal with the Treaty and Truth elements of the Statement?

A good place to start is Yothu Yindi's hit song *Treaty* from 1991. What was referenced in that song is the Barunga Statement which was presented in 1988 to Prime Minister Bob Hawke with called for a treaty with the Commonwealth of Australia. Hawke promised to negotiate a treaty, but it didn't eventuate.

So, it's still on the agenda?

Yep, and what was proposed by the Uluru Statement is the establishment of a Makarrata Commission. Makarrata is an Indigenous word meaning "coming together after a struggle" and healing of divisions of the past.

What would the Makarrata Commission do?

Once formed, it would be tasked with seeking agreements between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and the Federal Government. A big part of that process is that the

Commission would oversee "truth-telling" activities.

What would that involve?

It would see the sharing of historical truths and revealing the injustices committed against Indigenous people. It would be about coming to terms with what happened in our history and moving towards true reconciliation. A version of that is already happening in Victoria, called the Yoorrook Justice Commission.

So new PM Anthony Albanese is keen to implement the reforms outlined in the Statement - when will it happen?

It's not a simple yes/no proposition - there are tricky legal issues and of course, there's the politics... The leaders of the Uluru Dialogue - a group of Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders - have suggested 2 dates for a referendum to be held on the Voice: that's 27 May 2023, or 27 January 2024.

So, it could happen next year?

Potentially... Linda Burney, Australia's new minister for Indigenous Affairs and a Wiradjuri woman, says that May date next year is a possibility. But she's also keen to make progress on the Makarrata Commission and reckons they can be advanced at the same time.

What does the PM say?

Albanese has previously avoided committing to a firm timeline, and there is a push for there to be bipartisan support for what's put up in a referendum. That could take some time to work through.

Where does the Coalition line up now it has new leadership?

Newly-elected Opposition Leader Peter Dutton says he will talk with Albanese about Labor's plans.

Didn't Dutton boycott Kevin Rudd's apology to the Stolen Generations in 2008?

He did, and this week he said that was a mistake and that at the time he felt the apology should be given when more had been done to help fix the problems faced by Indigenous Australians.

But he's willing to work with Labor on the issue?

Yep - he says he's keen to find out more about Labor's position on implementing the proposals flagged in the Uluru statement, but he also wants to see practical action.

What do Indigenous leaders say about the Statement?

Not all of them agree with what's been proposed. One notable critic has just been elected to the Senate and that's the Country Liberal Party's Jacinta Price from the Northern Territory. She's a Warlpiri woman who says it's a distraction from more important issues facing Indigenous Australians.

So, there's some way to go to lock it all down...

There sure is.

MYALL CREEK MEMORIAL EXHIBITION

Opening **SATURDAY 11TH JUNE 12-5 PM**

A Collection of Inspirational Works by Kerrie Walker

Dreams of a Wayfaring Artisan by Anthony Harwood.

Anthony Harwood is sponsored by Bunnings, Crowies Paints, Simply Print Anything, Inverell and Bunnings Tamworth.



Is It So, acrylic on canvas, 86 x 86 cm - Kerrie Walker. \$485.00



Culture, limited edition digital print, 42 x 59 cm - Anthony Harwood. \$80.00 unframed



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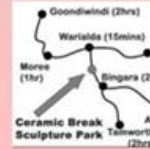


Lunch and light refreshment provided.

Entry by gold coin donation.

Bring your own utensils to enter the Green Prize raffle to win a beautiful plant.

*Exhibition continues through August



Join us June 11th from 12-5 pm for the opening our Myall Creek Memorial Exhibition at Ceramic Break Sculpture Park. Featuring artworks by Anthony Harwood and Kerrie Walker. Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony (weather permitting) will be performed by Anthony Harwood at 1 pm so visitors who wish to also attend the Myall Creek concert at Bingara will be able to do so. Entry is by gold coin donation with lunch and light refreshment provided. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own plate or utensils for an entry in to the green prize raffle to win a beautiful plant.

JAMES WILSON-MILLER 2022 Guest Speaker

Dhiirranhi ngiyani ganunga
WE REMEMBER THEM

Myall Creek Massacre Memorial

2022 ANNUAL GATHERING

Sunday 12th June

9.00am: Morning tea at the Myall Creek hall, Reserve Creek Rd, via Bingara-Delunga Rd.

9.45am: Short walk to the Memorial site for the ceremony, return to the hall around 12pm.

BBQ lunches available to purchase at the hall.

MYALL CREEK MASSACRE MEMORIAL PRECINCT
CNR WHITLOW RD & BINGARA-DELUNGRA RD

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Golf Notes

On Sunday a good field of players contested the second round of the Club Championships for a trophy donated by Campbell Tonkin.

The winner of the trophy for best net score on the day was decided after a four-way countback with the players all finishing on net 69. Mike Artis 69 just edged out ball winners Craig Rutley 69, Tom Mellor 69 and Kevin Kelaher 69 to claim Campbell's trophy. Balls also went to Dave McMurtrie net 71, Gary Allen 72 and Daniel Anderson 73.

NTPs went to Firmin Allan on both the 3rd and 6th whilst Craig Rutley claimed an NTP on the 12th after his tee shot hit the flag stick to finish a few feet past the hole.

In the only match play result Amanda Koopman defeated Ian McColl 5 and 4.

The Club Championship format now allows players to take their 2 best scores over the first 3 rounds whilst the 4th and final round must be played and counted in their overall 54 hole championship score.

After the first two rounds of the Men's Championship Craig Rutley on 152 leads by one shot from defending champion Kevin Kelaher on 153 with Peter York one shot further back on 154. The overall Championship net event sees Tom Mellor on 131 and Craig Rutley on 135 establishing a good buffer from a number of players sitting around 140.

In our Ladies Club Championship Amanda Koopman posted a 91 on Sunday to lead Lyn Simpson on 92 with Lib Thompson on 100 and Kerrie Smith on 102. Kerrie Smith leads the net with 72 just ahead of Lib Thompson on 74.

Next week we will play an Individual Stableford for the Betty Artis Memorial trophy.



Rugby Union News

The Ram/Rats travelled to Pirates last week to lock horns with the Pirates, the biggest and strongest club in the zone. They were expecting a tough encounter and as the score tells us it was that type of game. Pirates started strongly with their forwards being dominant in the first half, with the visitors making some mistakes which proved costly as they ran in three tries to one during the game.

According to the supporters, it was a very enjoyable game and kept the crowd amused with the fluctuating score line. The visitors played with not a lot of possession and were forced to defend for a fair bit of the game. The second half saw the forwards lift the intensity.

With the final siren sounding Barraba received a penalty for Rafter to put the ball between the posts for a 19-17 win to Barraba/Gwydir. That put a big smile on the dial of the ex-pirates coach who is coaching Barraba.

Men's Best and fairest points went to J. Rafter for a try and 4 penalties for the Players Player award.

3. Point to Robinson who plays above his weight
2. W. Robinson who leads by example every game
1. N. Sweeney and G. Sloan

This result is one of the highlights for the Club for a number of seasons and gave their supporters plenty to smile about. The style of rugby the team is playing is very good to watch with the slick backs showing plenty of pace from good possession from the forwards and should draw good crowds to their home games.

The Girl's game saw the visitors struggling for numbers and were helped out by some of the Gunnedah players. The girls are enjoying the game and also producing some good rugby. There are no results of the game or any points during the game. Second place might be the result owing to a number of players being unavailable.

Points for the game were;

Players Player G. McDouall

3. N. Philpott
2. K. Newell

There is no game next weekend owing to the Annual Country Zone Championships to be played in Tamworth. So, a bye weekend before a home game v Walcha on the 18th June.

Rifle Club

Saturday saw a few members brave the cold weather to put a few shots down the range. For the morning Centrefire shoot there were four shooters and two visitors trying their luck for a possible, John score a 300.17 with Darren also scoring two possibles, congratulations to you both.

The afternoon Benchrest event saw five shooters brave the weather as well, with Andrew scoring a 300.18 in the 100m, congratulations Andrew.

Casey and Brendan also scored possibles too, congratulations to you both.

Sunday had seven shooters also brave the cold for their event.

We would like to wish Garry a speedy recovery and hope to see you back at the range soon.

Unlimited 50m

B. McIlrick 96.2, 95, 93.1 = 284.3

AA Grade 50m

D. Deswon 98.6, 98.3, 92.4 = 288.13

A. White 92.1, 95.2, 94.1 = 281.4

A Grade 50m

C. Wells 96.2, 94.2, 96.4 = 286.8

B Grade 50m

N. Hull 90, 89, 89 = 268

Unlimited 100m

B. McIlrick 100.7, 100.4, 94.4 = 294.15

AA Grade 100m

A. White 100.6, 100.8, 100.4 = 300.18

D. Dewson 88, 95.2, 94.3 = 277.5

A. Grade 100m

C. Wells 100.3, 97.7, 98.6 = 295.16

B. Grade 100m

N. Hull 97.6, 96.2, 97.2 = 290.10

Centrefire

J. Adams 100.7, 100.4, 100.6 = 300.17

D. Dewson 98.4, 100.8, 100.7 = 298.19

R. Clark 93, 94.1, 96.4 = 283.8

A. White 94.2, 94.1, 94.3 = 282.6



Barraba 7 day Forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology



Wednesday 8 June

Summary Max 11

Partly cloudy

Chance of any rain: 10%



Thursday 9 June

Summary Min -2 Max 11

Partly cloudy

Chance of rain: 20%



Friday 10 June

Summary Min -1 Max 12

Partly cloudy

Chance of any rain: 30%



Saturday 11 June

Summary Min 0 Max 12

Possible shower

Chance of any rain: 40%



Sunday 12 June

Summary Min -1 Max 12

Partly cloudy

Chance of rain: 30%



Monday 13 June

Summary Min 0 Max 12

Partly cloudy

Chance of any rain: 10%



Tuesday 14 June

Summary Min -2 Max 14

Mostly sunny

Chance of any rain: 5%

Regional Dam Levels from Water NSW

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At the Fuller Gallery, new exhibition open this weekend

Open all weekend Saturday 11th
to Monday 13th June 10am to 3pm
with morning teas and soup
lunches, a bread roll, something
sweet to eat. Bring your
weekend guests and enjoy
some Barraba hospitality.