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# BARRABA COMMUNITY NEWS

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## BARRABA MEMORIAL CLOCK CENTENARY

11.11.24

A poetry competition for best poem about "The Clock" is being organized in three categories:

1. Adult (over 18 years)
2. Secondary student
3. Primary student

Entries can be emailed to [ptcrowley2@gmail.com](mailto:ptcrowley2@gmail.com) posted to: P Crowley at "Brooklyn" 1173 Cobbadah Road. Cobbadah 2347 or left with Ally at Denyer's Garage, Queen Street Barraba.

Prize money for each section winners will be awarded.

School entries can be left at the school and will be collected prior to judging.

**Entries close 5th November 2024**



Photo by Geoff Hagan



There will be a Vietnam War display at 111 Queen Street Barraba from today till the 15<sup>th</sup> of September to coincide with the battle of Long Tan (18<sup>th</sup> August). On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of August at 3pm at The Playhouse Theatre, there will be two Vietnam War documentaries. The first being *'How Vietnam was Lost'* an American 75 minute documentary with interviews from the Commander of Delta Company and other battle hardened veterans of Delta and what few remaining vets of Alpha. Speaking openly on the monumental blunders and decisions made by colonels and other top brass, resulting in major loss of American lives, in spite of warnings by company commanders that their battle plans were wrong.

The second documentary *'Entertaining Vietnam'* is a 52 minute sometimes funny, sometimes sad, sometimes scary but always entertaining look at the mainly Australian performers, bands, singers, GOGO dancers and comedians who entertained the troops. As well interviews with them and news correspondents and nurses. Some couldn't finish a tour, others stayed for years, some were killed there.

TICKETS \$10 EACH.

### Long Tan Day

There will be a service to remember this day and our Vietnam vets at 11:00 am on Sunday.

The service will be held near the Playhouse. (Median strip)

**Save The Date for the Barraba Races**  
as allocated by RNSW.  
**Saturday 21st September 2024.**

# First Aid Training

## Provide First Aid



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### Course Program

HLTAID009 Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
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### Course Program

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*Welcome to*  
**Barraba RSL**  
and Recreation Club

## BARRABA RSL & RECREATIONAL CLUB LTD

Phone 67821379

For the information of members and guests.

### **THIS WEEK**

#### **THURSDAY 15th August**

Bingo from 6pm

#### **FRIDAY 16th August**

MEAT RAFFLES

Tickets on sale from 5.30pm

MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$2000

#### **SUNDAY 18th August**

ANGLER CLUB RAFFLES

**Raffles on sale from 12pm, drawn 1.30pm**

Membership Draw \$2000 (5 Draws)

### **BISTRO HOURS**

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MONDAY/TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY: CLOSED

THURS/FRI/SAT: Lunch 12-2pm. Dinner from 6pm

SUNDAY: 12-2pm



## **BARRABA CANCER PATIENTS FUND RAISING GROUP INC.**

**Daffodil Day Street Stall**

**THURSDAY 22nd AUGUST 9am Queen Street Mall**



# TRC SWIMMING POOLS



Tamworth - 6766 2808

South & West Tamworth - 6765 7307

Kootingal - 6760 3431

Barraba - 6782 1038

Manilla - 6785 1436

Nundle - 6769 3111



Dear Barraba,

My name's Gary Johnson and I live in Bendemeer. In 2004 when the five local governments amalgamated, I suddenly found myself overseeing, among others, the Barraba Swimming Pool with Jill Fenn and Rick Dwyer and the crew.

In 2014 I left TRC to do my own thing, still within the aquatic industry and eventually working for the Royal Life Saving Society. It was an opportunity to travel and experience the wider aquatic industry. Sadly, the one common thread across our country was there was a lot of aging Pool Managers and councils weren't investing in their replacement. Fast forward 10 years and it's happened. Most have retired and ALL councils are scrambling to get pools to open.

Late in 2023 another opportunity arose and I took it. I'm back at TRC, again overseeing the pools and guess who's still here? Jill; a lady who's passionate about our pools and the swimming community. Myself and 20 others recently had lunch with to celebrate her 25th anniversary with Council... 30 if you include a few years of casual employment.

Jill and I can't fix the nation's problem but we can in our towns. We're looking for people who care about people (customer service) enjoy the outdoors, love the responsibility of keeping people safe (lifeguarding), enjoy leading a small team and importantly, who want to live and work in their town. It's important that we keep Barraba jobs in Barraba. If you're fit and able and looking for a career or a career change, we'd like to talk to you.

Being able to deliver Royal Life Saving courses locally, we find ourselves in a unique position compared to other councils. Jill and I have a wealth of experience we want to impart on the right person. The Barraba Pool is the jewel in the crown of TRC's swimming facilities. It needs somebody who wants to learn its quirky ways, maintain it, grow it to suit the swimmers and most importantly, just love it. In the last two months we've found two young people in Tamworth who are now qualified lifeguards and enrolled in a Certificate IV in Community Recreation. We want the same in our other towns.

Like many of you, I'm over social media. It doesn't put me in touch with the people I need to talk to. A huge thank you to Bronwyn and the Community College for letting me get my message to you. If a career in the aquatic industry sounds like you, email me and I'll come up for coffee, my shout: [g.johnson@tamworth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:g.johnson@tamworth.nsw.gov.au)

Thanks again.

Gary Johnson

## Barraba Central School

### Across the Desk with Patrick Sullivan

Welcome back to Term 3! It's been a busy start and it's great to see everyone feeling better after the wave of sickness at the end of last term. Here's what's been happening at Barraba Central School:

#### Campus Improvements

The final roofing work on the Secondary Campus was completed over the holidays. We also installed a new ceiling in the hall between the girls' and boys' toilets. The Secondary Campus looks fantastic with the new roofs and the fresh appearance has been further enhanced by the installation of new artwork around the school. The art has made a significant difference and the school looks absolutely amazing.

#### Regional Athletics Success

Congratulations to our three students who competed at the regional athletics meet. Jack Myers placed 4th in both shot put and discus, Lachie Rodgers secured 7th place and Leo Lawler came 9th in the 800m. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and achievements in these events.

#### Public Speaking and Debating

Two of our students, Jasmine Coombes and Kade Spence are competing in public speaking competitions this week. We wish them the best of luck! Additionally, our Year 7 and 8 debaters will compete against Scone High School next week and we are confident they will represent us well.

#### Aussie Bush Camp Excursion

Years 4, 5 and 6 had an unforgettable excursion to the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens. The students had a fantastic time from all reports and the photos tell a thousand stories. It's lovely to see the excitement and joy that these experiences bring to our students.

#### NAIDOC Week Celebrations

The school came together to celebrate NAIDOC Week with the theme "Blak, Loud and Proud." Thank you to Mrs. King for organising the activities and all the students who embraced them. Seeing high school students working with the younger students on such an important event was heartwarming.

#### Restorative Practice and School Culture

Our commitment to building a culture of restorative practice continues. We were fortunate to have Marion from Real Schools visit and work with teachers and students to deepen our understanding of restorative practices. This ongoing work is crucial in shaping a positive and supportive school environment.

## New Zealand Trip Countdown

A quick reminder—the New Zealand trip is only 91 days away! The excitement is building and we can't wait for this incredible adventure.

Thank you all for your continued support, and I look forward to an exciting and productive Term 3!

Warm regards,

*Patrick Sullivan*

**Principal**

#### New Zealand - Thank you

A big THANKYOU to the Barraba Rotary Club and the Barraba Central School P&C on their generous donations to our NZ Excursion in November. With the combined donations from both groups, it has taken over \$500 off each of the student's final payments.

We would also like to thank the Manilla CWA for sharing their knowledge of fundraising ideas and cooking for events.



#### Secondary debating

Our Secondary debating team are back in the swing of things with their first debate of term 3 against Quirindi in Week 1. They debated the topic 'Public transport should be free for all Australians' and our students argued on the affirmative side. With their well thought out argument and rebuttals, they came away with a win!

Well done to you all, and thank you to Mr Hurn and Mr Johnson for your help





## Do a creative workshop at Frost 2024

Frost Over Barraba is less than a month away, opening on Thursday 5 September and closing on Sunday 8 September. For the first time in five years Frost is presenting a program of creative workshops. You can learn new skills or brush up on some old ones. You can just come along and have some fun. There are options for all ages including children. Numbers are limited, so book in early to avoid disappointment.

The Frost workshop program has been sponsored by the Barraba Rotary Club. Their generous donation has made the workshops more affordable. The Workshops bring visitors to Barraba which helps our local businesses. It would be great if you could tell some friends and family about them being on.

There are full details on the Workshop Program on the Frost website: [www.frostoverbarraba.org.au/workshops](http://www.frostoverbarraba.org.au/workshops). Bookings can be made online. If you cannot do an online booking please call Wendy Woodhouse on 0450 122 217. Wendy can meet you in Barraba to take cash payments for workshop bookings. Wendy can also answer any questions you might have about a workshop.

## Frost 2024 Workshop Program

<b>Thursday 5 September</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Who is it for</b>
Shibori Indigo Dyeing	Full day (9-4pm)	\$125	Beginners & Intermediate. Min age 16.
Watercolour Landscapes	Short (10.30-12.30pm)	\$30	Beginners. 12-15yrs to be accompanied.
Kokedama Making	Short (3.30-5pm)	\$30	Anyone. 8-15yrs to be accompanied.
<b>Friday 6 September</b>			
iPhone Photography	Short (10am-12pm)	\$30	Anyone. Min age 16.
TBA	Half day (12-4pm)		Adults. 18+
Make a Journal	Full day (9.30-5pm)	\$120	Anyone. Min age 15.
<b>Saturday 7 September</b>			
Mosaics	Full day (9am-5pm)	\$125	Beginners. 10-17yrs to be accompanied.
Using colour in Painting	Half day (10am-3pm)	\$65	Experienced painters. 16+
Painting a floral wreath	Short (3.30-5.30pm)	\$30	Anyone. 12-15yrs to be accompanied.
Singing	Short (2-4.30pm)	\$10/\$5	Anyone. 12-15yrs to be accompanied.
Paint a Monster	Short (1-2pm)	\$10	Children 3-12. 3-8yrs to be accompanied
<b>Sunday 8 September</b>			
Watercolour Landscapes	Short (10am-12pm)	\$30	Beginners. 12-15yrs to be accompanied.
iPhone Photography (TBC)	Short (2 hrs)	\$30	Anyone. Min age 16.





**INTEGRITY WITH INFORMATION, CLARITY WITH COMMUNICATION AND  
DECISIONS UNDERPINNED BY LONG-TERM FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND  
SUSTAINABILITY.....ALWAYS!**

I have visited Barraba on numerous occasions during my term as Councillor, coming for business, pleasure and recreation. In particular, I enjoyed celebrating Australia Days and sharing Anzac Days with your community.

I would like to thank anyone I met during those visits for the support and warm welcome I received at the time; every time.

I regularly attended the Barraba markets, catching up with community members, hearing about life, community, project ideas and any concerns they have for the area. I also took advantage of the great opportunity by attending all of the “Councillor Catch-ups” held that allowed you to share your voice.

August 14th sees current Councillors across NSW go into caretaker mode, for the upcoming local government elections on September 14th. For Tamworth Regional Councillors it has been a short, very intense council term; with a number of major and contentious decisions having to be made.

Over the past few days I have been reflecting on what the last 2.5 years has meant for me personally, what it means to sit at the table, to take on board what you have told me is important to you; in order to represent you.

**What do I, Judy Coates, stand for?**

**C** – commitment - to our community (large and small); to turning up; to be there; to listening; to getting the job done to the best of my ability.

I have found the best way to get to know the aspirations and actions in the grassroots of our community is by visiting and participating at meetings, gatherings and events throughout the region.

**O** – objectivity – looking at the facts; not being swayed by emotion (a difficult thing at times). This does not mean I am not empathetic. Nor does it mean that options are not considered.

First and foremost, having financial responsibility and sustainability as the key factor when making decisions for the future of the entire community.

**A** – authenticity – I pride myself on being genuine and credible, true to myself and honest with others.

I have driven thousands of kilometres around the region; to follow the progress of projects and to meet with residents, to hear their concerns, to provide explanations around the outcomes for their issues and to increase their understanding of how and why decisions are made.

**T** – tenacity – I never give up on anything I believe in or anything I have committed to; I will do whatever it takes; I am persistent and determined, loyal and dedicated.

I have been frustrated, knowing the impact on our region and its residents of state and federal governments’ legislation and mandates, cost shifting, rate pegging and reduced financial assistance grants.

**E** – effectivity – I always work towards finding productive solutions. I work hard on being valid, convincing and persuasive. Many hours researching, reading, attending workshops, committee meetings and fortnightly council meetings. I am proud to say that I have attended 99% of these.

**S** – sincerity – in everything I do. I am candid and genuine.

My term as a councillor has been an absolute privilege; to be an elected member of our community and to be your voice. I hope that I will have the opportunity to continue with this work.

Make sure you grab a copy of your next Newsletter when I will highlight what I see as the major issues facing us all in the Tamworth Regional Council area. Please feel free to reach out to me on **0429605282** or perhaps through the Newsletter if you have any concerns or issues you would like discussed.

## History Notes

What a wonderful day it was at the markets on Saturday- stalls everywhere and quite a lot of people shopping, listening to Martin's music and chatting to their fellow shoppers. There was a wide variety of stalls including plants for the garden, household goods, jams, honey and of course food just waiting to be eaten. Our next market day will be at the same time as Frost and there should be a crowd of people around with lots of different things to see and do -a good time to practice a " Back to Barraba" weekend before the clock celebrations in November.

I was interested to read this week about the visit of members of the Fuller family to Barraba recently. Some years ago, one of their descendants visited our town for some reason - possibly to bring something back to Barraba - and I certainly remember meeting her for a chat and chatting about the Fuller family.

At the markets on Saturday I met up with Mr & Mrs Strand. Dennis is a direct descendant of George Thompson, a miner and resident of Woodsreef and is busy tracing this large family. The original George Thompson was born in Cumbria in the United Kingdom. He came to Australia in the early 1830's and a few years later he married Jane Harpur/Harper in the Bateman's Bay area. The young couple soon moved north in search of work, settling on mining in the Barraba/Bingara area. Their first two children were daughters born in the Bundarra/Kingstown area before they moved to the Bingara area. After quite a few years at Top Bingara it seems that they moved to Woodsreef.

An old account book from Piedmont shows that Jane worked at Piedmont for a couple of months and we also know that a member of the Strand family owned the Hotel at Gulf Creek when it was burnt to the ground under suspicious circumstances in the early 1900's. However, the Thompson family have stayed in this broad area of New South Wales and produced dozens of descendants, many living in this area of New South Wales.

Finally, this week I have been asked to look in the Witten Diaries for a reference about the erection of the town clock. There could have been a reference, particularly as Arthur Witten lost a son in World War. However, the diaries are full of farm work, mustering sheep, trapping rabbits and not a mention of the clock, even on the very day the clock was dedicated.

**Follow up from last week. Name the students. A big thanks to Christine Jobson for her memories.**



**Top row from Left:** Christine Jobson, Patti Groth, Donna Harvey, Mary-Anne Hockley, Rhonda Baker

**3<sup>rd</sup> row from left:** Jenny Spencer, Vicki Ratliff, Sue Robinson, Jane Crowley, Nerida Rumsby, Debbie Smith, Julie Baldwin, Wendy Waugh, Vicki Smith, Ellen O'Neill

**2<sup>nd</sup> row from left:** \_\_\_\_\_, Sue Grant, Lee-Anne Grant, Doug Hatch, Graham Groth, Mathew Faint, Terry Alsford, Mike Smith, Mick Sweeney, Christopher Brodbeck

**Bottom row from Left:** Christopher Hagan, Kevin Dunshea, Ken Chalmers, Noel Chapman, Sid Reading, Brad Goldthorpe, Terry Dennis, Trevor Wilson



### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the **Barraba Showground Management Committee** will be held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 starting at 7.00pm in the Bowling Club.

A General Meeting will follow the AGM.

Don Roberts  
Secretary.

### Letter to Editor

My Scottish family from Lochaber in Inverness Scottish Highlands all emigrates to Barraba, my great grandmother was Isabella MacDiarmid she married John Yuill, he had cut his wrist asking Isabella to wait for him and they were married.

Isabella's sisters had married Cameron boys and established the Royal hotel in town, the family are all buried in the front row of the local cemetery, I would like to join the society, what do I need to do?

Thank you.  
Ray Gavan



### The Playhouse Cinema

2.30 pm SUN 18 AUG

**THE MUSIC MAN**

(G, 150 mins)

One of the most enduringly popular American musicals. A con man convinces a town to start a band by buying uniforms and instruments from him. "*There were bells on the hill but I never heard them ringing - 'til there was you.*"



### Barraba Men's Shed

Due to lack of a quorum the bi-monthly Meeting & AGM due to held on Friday 9/08/2024 has been postponed until Friday 11/10/2024 at 10am to be held as usual at the workshop.

### ANGLICAN CHURCH TIMES

**St Laurence's Barraba**

Sunday service at 10.00am

Woodsreef—every second Sunday of each month

### BARRABA UNITING CHURCH NOTICES

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August

Service time 8.45am

**PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE OF TIME.**

All Welcome.

### CATHOLIC CHURCH TIMES

Barraba 1st Sunday of the month, Saturday evening Mass 5pm  
All other Sundays 9am

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## **This National Bullying No Way Week (12-16 August)**

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) is reminding the community how crucial it is to help children stay safer online and stop cyberbullying before it impacts a child's life. Carol Markie-Dadds, Triple P International Country Director, highlighted the urgency of this issue, noting Triple P's largest-ever survey of parents and carers found that 8 out of 10 parents are concerned about keeping their children safe from online dangers like cyberbullying. Of further concern, parents with children aged 6-11 years are the least confident in their ability to know what to do if their child is getting bullied.

"Bullying, whether it's online through text or social media, or in person, has a significant impact on children's emotional and physical health, and puts children at greater risk of mental health concerns, like anxiety or depression," Ms Markie-Dadds said. "This national week of action is a timely reminder that parents and carers play a key role in preventing and helping their children respond to bullying in all its forms. With the increasing prevalence of bullying online, parents can help kids develop the knowledge, skills, and awareness they need to navigate the online world confidently and safely. It takes time and practice for children to learn how to spot potentially unsafe situations, make good decisions, and know when to speak to a trusted adult if something worrying happens. Having honest and regular conversations with our kids makes a big difference in helping children develop these skills at home, in school, and in the wider community."

### **Triple P's Top Three Ways to Talk to Kids about Cyberbullying**

#### **Start the conversation**

You don't always have to have long, serious talks about cyberbullying. Casual, frequent chats work well too. With younger kids, keep it simple and talk about being kind online. With tweens and teens, respect their need for more privacy and show interest in their online activities, encourage them to consider the impact of their messages, to respect others' differences, and to expect the same for themselves.

#### **Help kids feel prepared**

"What if" scenarios help kids feel prepared to handle tricky situations. For younger children, you could ask them how they would feel if a stranger tried to message them while they were playing a game online. Discuss what they could do, like telling a grown-up about the message. With teens, you could talk about how they would feel if they saw hurtful comments about a classmate on social media and explore

ways they could respond. Be open to their opinions and ideas.

#### **Create a calm, supportive space**

Kids often feel embarrassed or scared to talk to their parents about things happening online, especially if they think they'll get in trouble. Tell them it's okay to feel afraid or worried, and they won't get in trouble for coming to you. Stay calm and let them know you're available to listen and help, no matter what.

"If there are concerns that your child is being bullied online, you can seek help from your school, eSafety ([www.esafety.gov.au](http://www.esafety.gov.au)) or Kids Helpline ([www.kidshelpline.com.au](http://www.kidshelpline.com.au)). Bullying can seriously impact a child's mental health and wellbeing throughout their school years and well into adulthood," Ms Markie-Dadds says.

"It can be a daunting issue, but it's important that parents can confidently manage and have oversight over what social media and other digital tools their children are accessing. Platforms, including online games, may initially appear innocuous, but could actually be used for bullying. A great first step is to talk with your child about bullying and online safety - It's never too early for schools, parents, carers, kids and the wider community to build their skills and awareness together," she said.

Triple P's free online parenting programs help anyone in a parenting role to confidently handle challenges and raise happy, capable, resilient kids. There's a free online program for raising kids aged 0-12, and another specifically for parents and carers of kids who are frequently anxious.

Delivery of the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program to parents and carers of children in Australia is supported by funding from the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care under the Parenting Education and Support Program. Parents and carers can access free, online parenting support 24/7 at [triplep-parenting.net.au](http://triplep-parenting.net.au)

### **What do we learn from hippopotamuses?**



**That it's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking.**

## The Day Scales Fell Away

No welcome in the dark of night,  
No speeches to condone,  
Crept quietly in by dim moonlight,  
Dismissed to fend alone.

No outstretched hand from those returned  
From great "accepted" wars,  
Unjustly ridiculed and spurned,  
They quietly closed their doors.

Scales caused by horrors of that war  
Built up on hearts and minds,  
Encrusted scales so deeply sore,  
Yet hidden were their signs.

Denied a welcome home parade,  
Unrecognized long years,  
Frustration, guilt, rejection laid,  
More scales, more hurt, more fears.

At last, in force the Veterans rose  
To claim their "Welcome Home",  
To triumph over all their foes,  
United – not alone.

Together then, they fought and died,  
Australian to the core,  
Together again, mates' side by side,  
Rekindled – as before.

A thousand, thousand cheering throng  
Crammed deeply, lined the route,  
"Forgive us, welcome home!" their song,  
Our nation gave salute.

Five hundred Comrades ne'er returned,  
Five hundred banners flew,  
Sadly, no flags for those who yearned  
To end their lives in lieu.

Emotion charged the roar grew strong,  
Tears unrestrained, flowed free,  
A purging of the guilt and wrong,  
Releasing memory.

How tall they marched, how proud each chest,  
Whole, broken, blinded, maimed,  
In light of day ne'er to forget,  
Each veteran "honour" claimed.

Now scars can fade, deep wounds will heal  
Toward those who bid them pay,  
And bitter hearts forgiveness feel,  
The day scales fell away.

Adrienne Hancock



## CAMPDRAFTER'S SONG by Stumpy Turner

They talk about campdrafting and the way the cattle run  
Of the judge that underscored them when they should have won  
But the winners they are happy and the losers don't  
complain They'll be back there next week when they're  
drafting once again

I know as I grow older I never will forget  
Great horsemen I have seen and the many friends I met  
Names like Stumpy Timmins, a legend still today  
Jack Palmer, Franky Mack, Johnny O'Niel from Kempsey  
way  
I still miss the campfires they sat around at night

But good roads and fast lorries they are gone overnight  
I like to reminisce at times and think back once again  
And see those great horsemen drafting once again  
Everybody's friend Bob Campbell, Don McMillan on KC  
Cadet

Ron Jeshnson on Recruit, Jack Hughes on Vollette  
John Stanton when on Tarzan, Glen Gough on Rivoli Rex  
Bobby Palmer riding Breezette, Bruce McNaughton he's on  
Chex

Terry Hall when riding Rex would put the pressure on Like  
in the days when Robby Hilton rode the great mare Dawn

They talk of Jack Hope and Interview, the great sire Elliots  
Creek Cadet

Of Harry Ball and Abbey, Barry law on Josiet  
Talk about campdrafting and the names that do appeal  
Theo Hill, Ross Clarke and Maurice O'Niel  
The Worrials, Don Cross, and Bobby McGee

Danny Germon, Ken Bolton and Jericho and Allan Dufty  
If your name I have not mentioned please forgive me just  
the same

For I'll think of you as champions when you are drafting  
once again.

## Join Us for Vietnam Veterans Day

### Commemoration in Bingara

Dear Community Members,

Our Bingara RSL Sub Branch is honoured to lead a heartfelt commemoration to pay tribute to those who served and sacrificed in the Vietnam War. We warmly invite veterans, their families, and all community members to join us for Vietnam Veterans Day at The Memorial Gardens.

#### **Event Details:**

- **Date:** Sunday, August 18
- **Time:** 10:45am for 11:00am

**BINGARA JOCKEY CLUB**  
*Annual Race Meeting*  
Claim the date!  
Saturday 24th August  
Gates Opening At 12pm  
1st Race Kicking Off At 1pm

Entry Fees  
Adults- \$20  
Seniors Card- \$15  
(Includes Race Book)

Children 12yrs-17yrs- \$5  
Under 12yrs Free



6 Race Meet  
★★★★★ Bookies on Course ★★★★★  
Fashion on the Fields



## **Golf Notes**

An excellent 32 players enjoyed a glorious winter day of golf on Sunday. David York continues his rich vein of form combining with son Peter to win the 2 person Ambrose event. With a great 3 under par 68 they carded a winning net 62.75. They finished ahead of brothers Chris and Nick Sweeney net 65 and Kerrie and Neil Smith supported by Ian Cabot also on net 65. Balls went to Kate Crichton and George Sedgwick net 66, Kevin Kelaher and Rob Sweeney net 67.5, Bill Simpson and Mike Artis net 68.5 and Dan Lott and Kieran Darlington on net 69.5. NTP went to Davo on the 12th and Kev Kelaher on the 18th.

Next Sunday 18th August is the Col & Rene Sweeney and Shane & Jenny Middlemiss 4BBB Stableford trophies. On Sunday 25th August is the final round of our Club Championship for Ian Cabot's trophy.



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# FARM FIRE UNITS

The NSW RFS recognises that in many parts of the state our NSW RFS resources are supported by the use of private equipment, including Farm Fire Units (FFUs), to fight and contain fires.

Safety at fires is **everyone's responsibility**, and the NSW RFS is committed to working with property owners and community members to ensure **we can manage fire together** in a safe and coordinated way.

## PREPARE



- Know your local Brigade and how to contact them.
- Have your PPE readily available during fire risk days.
- Ensure your farm fire unit is working, safe and legal.
- Check your pumps, hoses and firefighting equipment.
- Brigades should get to know their local landholders and their firefighting capacity.

## COMMUNICATE



- If a fire starts, call Emergency Triple Zero (000).
- If safe to do so, assist and keep small fires small.
- Speak to the first arriving fire crew.
- Move to a local UHF channel as agreed, keep contact.

## INTEGRATE



- Talk to Brigade Officers and share local knowledge. Collaborate on the plan.
- Inform firefighters about what's important to you on your property.
- Follow the plan and direction of firefighters to keep each other safe.
- Don't forget to tell someone if you leave the fireground, go home or go to get water.
- Brigades should keep FFU operators informed on operational and safety issues.
- Brigades and Incident Management Teams should seek input from landholders in the fire management process.



It's everyone's responsibility to keep each other safe on the fireground, including landholders, farmers and firefighters.

For more information on Farm Fire Units visit  
[www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/farmers](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/farmers) or contact your local fire control centre



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