

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 18years)
- 2. Secondary student
- 3. Primary student

Entries can be emailed to 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





<u>Barraba High</u> <u>Country</u> Music

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Sunday 13th October 2024. 12 to 4pm. FREE ENTRY Walk-up artists welcome Barraba Bowling Club



BARRABA RSL & RECREATIONAL CLUB LTD Phone 67821379 For the information of members and guests. THIS WEEK

THURSDAY 10th October

Bingo from 6pm

FRIDAY 11th October MEAT RAFFLES Tickets on sale from 5.30pm MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1100 SUNDAY 13th October

ANGLER CLUB RAFFLES Raffles on sale from 12pm, drawn 1.30pm MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1600

HAPPENING SOON

Saturday 19th October BACK TO THE BUSH FESTIVAL

BISTRO HOURS

Phone 0427330808 DINE IN OR TAKEAWAY DAILY BLACKBOARD SPECIALS AVAILABLE ALSO PIZZAS MADE TO ORDER MONDAY/TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY: CLOSED THURS/FRI/SAT: Lunch 12-2pm. Dinner from 6pm SUNDAY: 12-2pm

2024 Garden Ramble

Spring has sprung well and truly in Barraba and its surrounds. The fresh blossoms and young leaves abound in the gardens, parks and main street in the area, and indeed in the leadup to the **2024 Garden Ramble.**

Barraba Cancer Patients Fund Raising Group Inc., kindly supported by Barraba Rotary Club, are conducting Open Gardens on Saturday 26th October from 10am – 4pm. Tickets are \$5 per garden or \$30 for all seven participating gardens, and will be available upon entry to each of the gardens.

This year sees five lovely gardens in and around Barraba, and two out of town country gardens. The gardens are as follows: Chris & Andrea Jeffery, Sinclair & Karen Hughson, Andy & Gerda, David & Helen Kelly, Helen Hiscock, Bill & Dot Hannaford, Will & Stacey Sedgwick. There will be a Guessing Competition with tickets available at each garden, and refreshments will be available both in town at the usual outlets and out of town. Funds raised on the day will be donated towards some of the Australian Cancer related and Cancer research Organizations. Therefore, mark this date – **Saturday 26th October** – in your diary, and keep posted for more information to follow.

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Beer, wine, cocktails Opening time this week Wednesday to Saturday 11am-9pm Phone 02 67825375 Thank you for your patience

The Vic Barraba

Dear Valued Patients

Please be advised that I have retired my practice and am no longer able to provide homeopathic advice. Please refer to your national directory of practitioners to find an alternative practitioner.

Australia:

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US/Canada:

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Kindest regards, Jill Turland

Senior Citizens' Annual General Meeting

Will be held on Friday 25th October 2024 at 1pm at Seniors Centre, 50 Fitzroy Street. All financial members are urged to attend. Nomination forms for office bearers are available at the Centre, and close at 3pm

on the 18th October.

History Notes

This could be the busiest week of the year for Historical Society members – a time for members to lend a hand to those who give a lot of time to the Society. Please read the advertisement and come along to at least one of this week's events.

I wonder if anyone felt the earthquake during the week? Perhaps there are some people who remember the last one, 34 years ago? I remember one of our past members remarking that her chimney rattled!! After quite a search through the newspaper cuttings I was able to find the report for the 1990 earthquake.

"In the early morning of November 16th, 1990, there was a very deep earthquake centered 20 kilometres east of Barraba and felt over a 100-kilometre radius of Woods Reef along the Peel fault. This fault runs along between the granite and the sedimentary rocks and contains gold, asbestos and other interesting deposits. The occasional movement of this fault causes a small earthquake anywhere along the fault and the latest movement would have caused last week's quake."

Other movements mentioned in the newspaper cutting in 1990 were in the Tamworth/Gunnedah area measuring 2.2 and another at Elsmore on January 4th measuring 2.7. These would have been aftershocks.

While searching for the earthquake cutting, I found a photo of the Barraba Apex Club polishing the Copper Plaques on Barraba's War Memorial Clock for Anzac Day, 1990. There were four of them in the photo, but no names given – perhaps someone will remember who they were. Perhaps the plaques need another polish this month!!

There are a lot of interesting cuttings as well, lots of dates of past events if one has the time to read through them – they span about 50 years – births, deaths, buildings etc. but not all happenings are included. Unfortunately, there are people who like to take such research material, so hopefully they will be available to anyone who asks. The history notes are there in the old Barraba Gazette for 1990!!

Nandewar Historical Society Coming Events

Street Stall – Thursday 10th October 9am Cooking, Plants, History Books

Market Day – Saturday 12th October 8:30am – 12 noon All usual stalls, plants, jams, cooking, homewares etc.

AGM – Tuesday 15th October 10am All welcome. Memberships due.



Don't miss the opportunity to have lunch at The Claypan during the Autofest and Garden Ramble activities. Take advantage of a spot to refresh and relax, browse the gallery and chat to friends while you refuel.

Saturday 19th October the ladies will be serving Devonshire morning tea, scones fresh from the oven with jam and cream from 10am. Lunch to follow from 12md.

Saturday 26th take advantage of morning tea at the gardens and drop into the Claypan after 12 for lunch.

ANGLICAN CHURCH TIMES St Laurence's Barraba

Sunday service at 10.00am Woodsreef service 2nd Sunday of the month, 11:30am

BARRABA UNITING CHURCH NOTICES

Sunday 13 October 2024 at Barraba Return to 10:45am for all services. All Welcome.

CATHOLIC CHURCH TIMES

Barraba 1st Sunday of the month, Saturday evening Mass 6pm All other Sundays 9am



Remembered with Love

Christine Frances Wakeling (nee Dunshea) Passed Away in 2015

Linda May Dunshea Passed Away in 2005

John (Jack) Andrew Dunshea Passed Away in 1999



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I was intrigued by the camels in Queen Street for a Festival and also remember seeing elephants being moved along the main street prior to 1963 when a circus was in town and they were taking them down to the river for a drink.

Mary Grocott



CRIME INQUIRY MISSING THE MARK

Tamworth and Gunnedah have missed out on being selected as locations for the NSW Government's crime inquiry. Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson said the inquiry was visiting Kempsey, Coffs Harbour, Bourke, and Broken hill which is not good enough and would not give the government a complete understanding of what is driving crime.

"Our community has a right to feel safe in our homes, and recent disturbing incidences of crime have taken that right away from many," Mr Anderson said. "The government needs to know what is causing the increase in crime, particularly youth crime, and what needs to be done to address it. That's why I've been calling on the crime inquiry to visit our region and hear directly from impacted residents and advocates. I welcome the announcement that the inquiry would be visiting the regions, however only visiting four regional communities does not go far enough. The inquiry needs to hear from a diverse range of stakeholders from right across the state."

"The issues facing Bourke and Coffs Harbour are not the same as the issues facing Gunnedah and Tamworth, and the committee needs to get on the road to hear from our communities. I know that a large number of the online submissions to the inquiry came from our region, so it makes sense for the inquiry to visit Tamworth and Gunnedah to hear directly from affected residents. I urge the inquiry to add Tamworth and Gunnedah to the list of locations to hold hearings of the inquiry."

For more information on the inquiry, visit the NSW Parliament website.



LIFE-SAVING DEFIBRILLATORS FOR SPORTING CLUBS

The popular life-saving

Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program has returned, and local sporting clubs and recreational facilities are

encouraged to apply for a grant of up to \$3,000 to install a defibrillator on site. Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson said having a defibrillator on site could be the difference between life and death for a player or a spectator.

"We love the great outdoors and playing sport, which is why our local sporting fields and recreation areas are a hive of activity through the year, but particularly during the upcoming Summer months," Mr Anderson said. "Exercise and physical activity are so important to healthy living, but strenuous activity can lead to cardiac arrest, so it's important that sporting clubs and recreational facilities have access to the tools they need to save a life. A defibrillator can be the difference between life and death because medical experts tell us that the first eight minutes following cardiac arrest are critical to saving a life. That's why I've always been a big supporter of the Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program, encouraging local clubs to apply. I know that access to a defibrillator on site at a local sporting club has previously saved a life in Tamworth. It can happen to anyone, at any time, which is why I'm keen to see as many defibrillators in the hands of local clubs as possible."

Applications for the Government's Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program is now open and closes on 27 November 2024, or when funds are exhausted. For more information, visit <u>https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants/local-sport-</u> <u>defibrillator-grant-program</u>

SAFE SHOOTING PROGRAM

The Safe Shooting Program aims to enhance sport shooting facilities across New South Wales in order to provide safe, inclusive and accessible shooting environments for local communities. Up to \$800,000 is available in 2024/25 to support safe shooting facilities across NSW with grants of \$10,000-\$50,000 available.

Important dates Applications open – 25 September 2024 Applications close – 1 pm, 23 October 2024 Application assessment completion – February 2025 onwards

Grants must be accepted – Within 2 weeks of notification of grant award. Project delivery timeframe – for successful applications. Commencement 31 May 2025 and completion by 31 May 2026. The Office of Sport reserves the right to amend any of these dates during the Program, at its absolute discretion.

www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants/safe-shooting-program



The Tamworth Regional Council's 'Local Legends Awards' 2024 recognise the invaluable contribution of individuals and groups who have contributed to the Tamworth regional community.

HOW TO MAKE A NOMINATION

All nominations must be made on the official Council nomination form on the Tamworth Regional Council website within the period that nominations are open. Nominations are open from 10am Monday 26 August until 5pm Thursday 17 October 2024.



The Tamworth Regional Residents and Ratepayers Association (TRRRA) extends our congratulations to the newly elected 2024 Councillors for the Tamworth Regional Council:

- Mark Rodda
- Stephen Mears

- Marc Sutherland

- Jeffrey Budd - Charles Impey
- Ryan Brooke - Brendon North
- Matthew Sharpham
- Russell Webb
- TRRRA looks forward to seeing the new Council in action and encourages all Councillors to act in the best interests of our regional community. TRRRA urges Tamworth Regional Council to engage genuinely with the whole community in maintaining community assets and delivering the infrastructure and services effectively for every resident and ratepayer.

Councillor Judy Coates

Good morning

I write this as the last post on my Councillor Judy Coates Facebook page.

It is with much sadness and a heavy heart that I announce my time as a councillor on Tamworth Regional Council has come to an end with the announcement of the new Council.

I can say with hand on heart I always had the best interests of our community and region in mind with the many questions I asked and decisions I subsequently made. Decisions I made with honesty, integrity and transparency. And hand on heart I was always inclusive of all people and all parts of our region. I worked hard at what I was elected to do. I attended to 99% of all meetings and workshops to be informed. I attended to all councillor catch ups to be with and hear from the community. I read all the council meeting agendas and annexures to ensure I understood what was being proposed. And I regularly asked questions to ensure I understood in order to make those informed decisions.

The main issue for the election was the rate rise. And yes, I did vote for it after much research, deliberation, consideration and soul searching. To ensure the growth and future prosperity of our region for the next generation. A rate rise that also impacted myself, my family and friends. But a rise that was needed to ensure the financial security of our region. A rise that has also been or will be sought by most other councils in NSW for the same reasons.

Although 50% of our population is female, sadly the newly elected council comes without female representation. However, I wish all the new and re-elected councillors all the best. Like many of the community, I look forward with interest to the implementation of the "much needed change" that was mooted as part of the election rhetoric.

Thank you to everyone who has supported me and provided opinion, feedback, advice, and mentorship over the past 2 years and 9 months. Although at times challenging, my experience as a Councillor on TRC has been memorable, meaningful and enjoyable.

Many thanks Judy Coates

 National Carers Week

 13-19 October

Learn more at carersweek.com.au

National Carers Week starts this Sunday and <u>Carers NSW</u> has a range of events happening. Together we celebrate the amazing contributions that unpaid carers make to the lives of the loved ones in their care, and recognise the diverse range of cultures, ages, experiences, and responsibilities they represent.

This year's theme is 'Millions of Reasons to Care', and anyone can become a carer, at anytime. The recent Carer Wellbeing Survey found that carers who had good access to support had healthy levels of wellbeing, some ways you can help a carer are:

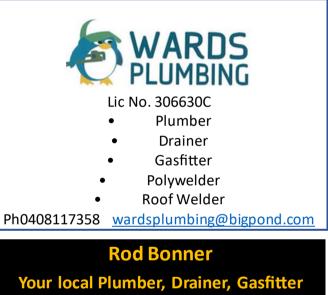
- Check-in with them regularly
- Offer them a break (a coffee date or lunch outing)
- Acknowledge and appreciate them
- Initiate support
- Encourage self-care

Learn more about Carers Week and events in your area

at: carersweek.com.au







Your local Plumber, Drainer, Gasfitter and Handyman Lic No. L8791 <u>plumberdrainer@gmail.com</u> Text is best 0447 052 140



TENNIS NEWS

BARRABA Tennis Agm

The Barraba Town & District Tennis Club will hold their Annual General Meeting on

15 October, 6pm at the Barraba Bowling Club.

There will be light refreshments for the evening. Everyone is invited to attend.



The AGM will be held at 6pm on Tuesday 15 October 2024 at the Barraba Bowling Club.

To have a competition that everyone enjoys, the committee needs regular feedback from the players. So, rather than having a quick AGM on a competition night, we've decided to hold this year's AGM in the relaxing atmosphere of the Bowling Club, with refreshments provided. You can ask questions and talk about some ways of improving the competition; and have an enjoyable evening at the Club! We would like all current and perspective Members to attend.

2024 TUESDAY NIGHT LIGHT COMPETITION

This is our regular team competition – runs 6.30 – 9.30pm every Tuesday evening through to December.

All ages and abilities - a friendly, social competition with a BBQ each week.

<u>Contact</u>: Heath White 0427 070 374 for more information or to put your name down,

OR: Come along to the AGM (see above) on 15 October. Put your name down then and meet some of the other players.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

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Valentino Rossi (GP debut in 1996).
notational Space Station
Pakistan and Papua New Guinea.
Opium (First Opium War).
Bathing in hot springs.



Golf

Today we closed our 2024 Golf Programme before preparing for our Summer twilight competition.

Playing an Individual Stableford for a club trophy the winner was Ally Smith with 37 points. Runner up on 36 points was Mandy Koopman with balls going to Paul Grigg 35, Jack Boyd 32, Dave Kelly 32, Gary Allen 31 and John Hartley also 31. There were no NTPs recorded. In the only singles matchplay game Firmen Allan defeated Josh Austin 1 up in a very tight game through the 18 holes. We still need to push through a few outstanding singles and fourball matchplay games as soon as possible please.

Friday Oct 11th is the start of our twilight competition so please contact lan with teams please.

Be good to see a good turnout on Saturday 12th Oct 11am for "Ladies Try Golf" with tuition from Sophie Cusack, NSW Northern Region coach. No need to have your own sticks, just come out and get the basics of trying golf and finish it with a drink and chat.



What are the macaques at Jigokudani Monkey Park in Japan most notable for?

Britain and China fought over which commodity between 1839 and 1842?

The names of which two Commonwealth countries start with "P"?

What was the destination of the four astronauts aboard SpaceX Crew-3, which launched in November?

Which nine—time world champion motorcycle racer retired after the 2021 Valencia MotoGP?

Starting with "W", what is the collective noun for a group of wombats?

From The Conversation



Katherine Moseby, Associate Professor, UNSW Sydney Katherine Tuft, Visiting Research Fellow, University of Adelaide

Australia is home to more than 350 species of native mammals, 87% of which are found nowhere else on Earth. But with 39 of these species already extinct and a further 110 listed as threatened, there's every chance many will vanish before you even knew they existed. So, here's one we think you simply must know (and save), before it's too late.

The charismatic kowari is a small carnivorous marsupial. It was once common inland but is now found only in the remote deserts of southwest Queensland and north eastern South Australia, in less than 20% of its former range.

This pint-sized predator fits in the palm of your hand. Its bright eyes, bushy tail and big personality make it the perfect poster child for the Australian outback. But with just 1,200 kowari left in the wild, the federal government upgraded its conservation status in November from vulnerable to endangered.

Reversing the decline of the kowari is within our grasp. But we need public support and political will to achieve this. It requires limiting grazing of cattle and sheep, while keeping feral cat numbers under control.

Meet the kowari

The kowari (Dasyuroides byrnei) is a skilled hunter that stalks mice, tarantulas, moths, scorpions and even birds. Alert and efficient, they attack their prey voraciously.

Formerly known as the brushy-tailed marsupial rat, or Byrne's crest-tailed marsupial rat, the kowari is more closely related to Tasmanian Devil and quolls.

The Wangkangurru Yarluyandi People use the name kowari, while the Dieri and Ngameni peoples use the similarsounding name kariri.

Closeup of the gibber plain showing areas of flat interlocking red pebbles



The red stony gibber plains could be mistaken for the surface of Mars. Katherine Moseby

Kowaris live in stony deserts. They mainly inhabit remote treeless "gibber" plains. These areas of flat, interlocking red pebbles form vast pavements that could be mistaken for the surface of Mars.

In the outback, where temperatures can exceed 50°C, kowaris beat the heat by sheltering in burrows dug into sand mounds. At night they emerge to race across the plains, their head and distinctive brushy tail held high, pausing regularly to scan for predators and prey. During chilly winter days, kowaris slow their metabolism to conserve energy. They go into a state of torpor, which is a daily version of hibernation.

At the two main South Australian sites, the number of animals captured in trapping surveys declined by 85% between 2000 and 2015. At this rate, the species could disappear from the area within two decades.

The entire population is estimated to number as few as 1,200 individuals scattered over just 350 square kilometres. That's a combined area of less than 20km x 20km. Based on this evidence, the conservation status of kowaris was upgraded from vulnerable to endangered in November last year.



Kowari are now restricted to refuge populations in northeast South Australia and southwest Queensland. Andrea Tschirner

Shrinking populations in the stony desert

Kowaris have been declining for a while but are suddenly on the fast track to extinction. How can that be, when they live in one of the most vast and remote parts of Australia?

Threats include land degradation from pastoralism, and predation from introduced feral cats and foxes. But it's complicated. Threats can combine, having a synergistic effect (greater than the sum of their parts). And then there are climate influences. Heavy rain in the desert triggers a cascade of events that culminates in an explosion of feral cat numbers.

When conditions dry out again, the cats switch to eating larger or more difficult prey such as bilbies and kowaris, often causing local extinctions. In southwest Queensland, feral cats most likely wiped out one population of kowaris and decimated another.

Huge efforts to control cat plagues have saved the kowari and bilby populations in Astrebla Downs National Park from local extinction so far, but other areas have succumbed. In SA, all the remaining kowari populations are on pastoral stations used for grazing cattle.

Cattle can trample kowari burrows. They can also compact the sand mounds, making it difficult for kowaris to build burrows in the first place. And they eat the plants on the mounds, reducing the availability of both food and shelter. This makes kowaris easy prey. Over the past few decades, pastoralism has intensified. Nearly half of Australia (44%) is covered in pastoral leases where many threatened species occur. Domestic stock usually graze close to watering points such as bores and troughs. More and more watering points are being established, to make more of the pastoral lease accessible to stock. So the area protected from grazing is shrinking as cattle encroach further into kowari territory.



Kowari burrow in sand mounds that can be trampled and compacted by cattle. Katherine Moseby

How can we save the kowari?

We have the knowledge and tools required to save this species from extinction. We just need decisive leadership and sufficient funding to put these plans into action.

State governments should provide more resources for desert parks so rangers can monitor feral cat numbers and respond rapidly to plagues. We can make use of new technology such as remote camera traps checked via satellite. These measures would also protect the last remaining stronghold of the bilby in Queensland, another nationally threatened mammal.

The pastoral industry and governments must work together to review watering-point placement and reduce grazing pressure in known kowari habitat.

By closing some pastoral watering points and ensuring a portion of each lease (possibly 20%) is away from waters, we can reduce the harm of stock and provide refuges for threatened species. Pastoral companies could show leadership and implement these actions themselves rather than waiting for governments to act.

In the meantime, reintroductions into safe havens is one stopgap measure helping to prevent imminent kowari extinction. In 2022, 12 kowaris were successfully reintroduced to the 123 square km fenced Arid Recovery Reserve in northern SA. The population has expanded since release. Removing cats, foxes and domestic stock from the reserve has given kowaris a chance to reclaim a small portion of their former range.

But safe havens are small and we need to act on a larger scale. If we don't, the kowari may become yet another Australian species lost before you've even seen it.

Thanks to Genevieve Hayes, former ecologist at Arid Recovery, for coordinating the reintroduction of the kowari at Arid Recovery and commenting on the draft of this article.

Message from the Editor

At *Barraba Community News* we welcome local news and stories from our community members about activities, events and news of interest to the Barraba community.

Share your news, views and what you or your local organisation is doing.

Advertise in *News* at a competitive cost and reach 750 households in our area who receive a free copy each week. Contact <u>news@barrabacommunitynews.org.au</u> or drop into the Community College on the corner of Alice and Fitzroy Sts.

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Do you want to make **change** happen in your community?

Join us for a two-day Changemaker Workshop – Bingara

24-25 October 2024 // 8.30am - 4.30pm

The Living Classroom 1 Killarney Gap Rd, Bingara NSW

Become a changemaker

- Assess your region's readiness for change.
- Explore how change happens and how to overcome resistance.
- Learn what it takes to be a positive change agent, have the drive to build new things, how to manage setbacks and work creatively and purposefully with others.

Start community conversations

- Understand the local ecosystem, purposeful and inclusive engagement, create robust and authentic conversations.
- Learn how to have those conversations, suspend judgement and assumptions, and build trust and transparency for connection and diverse relationships.

Care for your community

- Unpack what forms and shapes a community.
- Learn how a community can be more inclusive.
- Considering the impacts of drought, trauma and other events, get tools to better support others and balance giving and taking within a community.

Shape your community's future

- Explore ideas to shape the future you would like to see for your community.
- Understand the importance of language and the power of storytelling in motivating and mobilising others.
- Learn what makes a good story and how to connect with the hearts and minds of others.

















This workshop is free thanks to the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund. It is delivered by the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation and part of the Helping Regional Communities Prepare for Drought Initiative.

Note: This is a face-to-face session. All catering and stationery provided. Registrations close 7 days before the workshop.

For more information visit rural-leaders.org.au or contact:

Gemma Rostron 0421 031 418 gemmar@rural-leaders.org.au

Shelley McDouall 0474 887 982



The original memorial in the main street commemorating the war.

(from the Historical Society files)

The Plaque listing the information recorded on the Memorial Town Clock. This memorial lists the names of those Barraba Servicemen who were killed in WW1 & WW11. Posted by Brian Coote.



The Memorial Town clock was erected to commemorate the fallen men of Barraba and District who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the Great War of 1914/1919

The memorial was undertaken by the Barraba members of the Returned Soldier Sailor Airmen Imperial League of Australia with money raised by the community.

The Memorial Clock was officially opened by Mr Bruxner MLA on the 11th November 1924. The memorial cost was over 1000 pound and was constructed by Mr J Myers and Mr A York.



Town clock under construction 1924



Official Opening 11th November 1924

Initially the memorial displayed the names of the 53 Barraba men killed in the first World War. By the end of World War II another 34 Barraba men names were to be inscribed on the clock.

A total of 87 men from this small community paid the supreme sacrifice for their country.

Names on	Town Clock
World V	War One

	World War O
Pte W.C. Ashby	Pte A.M. Hagan
Pte R.S. Blackall	Pte H. Hagan
Pte L. Blanche	Pte J.A. Hagan
Pte W.T. Bloxam	Pte C. Hiscock
Sgt A.H. Bushell	Pte T.E. Hyde
Pte R.W. Byfield	Pte A.C. James
Cpl R.S. Capel	Pte P.W. James
Pte J. Chapman	Pte W.J. Maher
Pte C.A. Cheadle	Pte B. Mason
L/Cpl A. Cobcroft	Cpl A.J.C. McKie
Pte F.W. Constable	Pte H.A. Mell
Cpl V.H. Coswell	Pte C.J. Miner
Lt C.S. Crowley D.C.M	Pte E. Moran
Spr S.E. Cunter	Pte W.A. Murray
Pte J.I. Douglas	L/Cpl E.A. Parkin
Pte M. Eckert	Pte C.R. Quelch
Pte A.C. Faint	Capt L.L. Richar
L/Cpl E.A. Geary	Capt R.N. Richa
Pte W. Goldthorpe	and the second

Pte J.A. Hagan	Brndr E.W. Saunders	
Pte C. Hiscock	Pte J. Sherwood	
Pte T.E. Hyde	Pte W.J. Simshauser	
Pte A.C. James	Lt H.I. Spencer MM	
Pte P.W. James	Pte E.W. Statham	
Pte W.J. Maher	Pte R.D. Stenz	
Pte B. Mason	Pte C.C. Stewart	
Cpl A.J.C. McKid	Sgt J.S.V. Thompson	
Pte H.A. Mell	Pte F. Thrift	
Pte C.J. Miner	Tpr E. Tufrey	
Pte E. Moran	Pte R.J. Tyrell	
Pte W.A. Murray	Pte C. Ward	
L/Cpl E.A. Parkinson	Pte E. Williams	
Pte C.R. Quelch	Pte C. Williams	
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