



BARRABA COMMUNITY NEWS

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FREE LOCAL NEWSPAPER

Wednesday 23rd October 2024



FREE SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP

Fridays 9:30am - 11:30am (school terms only)
 Barraba Preschool, 148 Queen Street, Barraba

We invite all families with children aged 0-5 years, to attend our supported playgroup sessions. Playgroup is a friendly, safe place where parents can enjoy activities with their children while socialising with other parents. We aim to link families into the wider community and provide education about parenting issues.




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BARRABA CANCER PATIENTS FUND RAISING GROUP Inc.

Kindly supported by BARRABA ROTARY CLUB

GARDEN RAMBLE 2024 this SATURDAY

26th October 2024 10am - 4pm

\$5 per garden or \$30 for all 7 gardens

See more information page 3.

NB. CASH only



Drop into the Claypan and Fuller Gallery on Saturday for lunch between rambles around the gardens.

A quiet rest, a chance to chat with friends, fresh delicious food and a bottomless cuppa available between 12 and 3pm.

Barraba Memorial Clock Centenary

Ian Small, author of *The Kurrajongs* – A work of fact and fiction, will be attending the Centenary Celebration of the Barraba Memorial Clock on the 11th November 2024.

Ian is a passionate historian who has a keen interest in the Kurrajongs, a group of men who in 1916 left the NSW country town of Inverell to fight in the Great War. Many of these men became part of the 33rd, 34th, 35th and 36th Battalions of the 3rd Division of the AIF.

Many of the Barraba and District WW1 Service Men also became members of the 33rd Battalion.

Ian will be speaking at the Back to Barraba Dinner at the RSL Club on the 10th November and will also be setting up a display of 33rd Battalion memorabilia in the Old Information Centre on the morning of the 11th of November. He will also have his book *The Kurrajongs* available for people to purchase. Ian said that he "Is looking forward to his trip to Barraba, to help celebrate the centenary of the memorial clock".

If you wish to attend the dinner contact the RSL Club on 02 67821379 or 0427330808. RSVP by 2.11.24

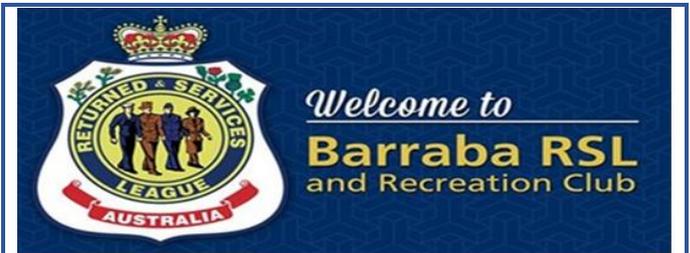
If you are staying the night and looking for accommodation go to the visitbarraba website for details.

www.visitbarraba.com.au/things-to-do/accommodation

Face book: Barraba Memorial Clock Centenary



Picture: 3rd Division Memorial located at Sailly-le-Sec, near Albert, on a ridge north of the Somme River. France
Photo curtesy of Kathy Adams



BARRABA RSL & RECREATIONAL CLUB LTD

Phone 67821379

For the information of members and guests.

THIS WEEK

THURSDAY 24th October

Bingo from 6pm

FRIDAY 25th October

RAFFLES Tickets on sale from 5.30pm

MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1300

SUNDAY 27th October

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MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1000

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SUNDAY: 12-2pm



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SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER 9AM START

Kitchen ware, linen, wall units, wardrobes, refrigerator, dressing table, 4 restored chairs. Make an Offer!

All proceeds donated to Rescue Helicopter Fundraising

GARDEN RAMBLE 2024 this SATURDAY 26th

October

BARRABA CANCER PATIENTS FUND RAISING GROUP Inc.

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The Spring weather has been kind to the gardens, and with the forecast for the weekend ahead, the Open Gardens should be a great day out. For \$5 per garden or all seven for \$30, it is good value and supporting a cause close to most people's heart – Cancer. Funds raised on the day will be donated towards the various Australian Cancer related and Cancer research organizations, on behalf of Barraba Cancer Patients Fund Raising Group Inc. (BCPFRG).

The five gardens in and around town are indicated on map to the right, while the two country gardens are shown on the map below – they are approximately 25-30 kms southwest of Barraba.

Last week's Barraba Community News featured each

garden on page 2&3, while they were on the last page of the Barraba News in the Manilla Express.

Balloons will mark the way - pink (for Breast Cancer) and silver (for Ovarian Cancer) balloons to indicate the participating

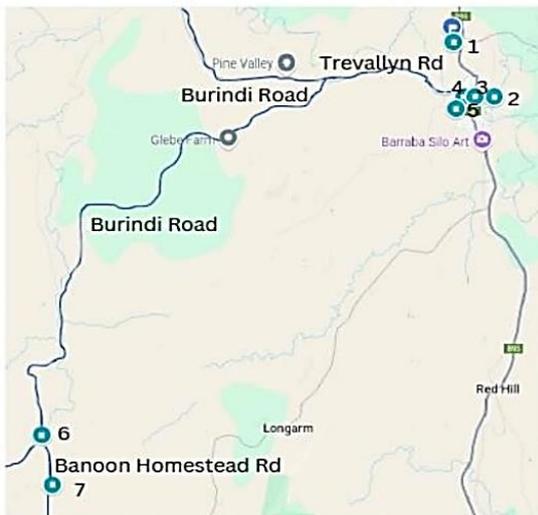


BCPFRG Inc. Garden Ramble proudly supported by Barraba Rotary Club

Saturday 26th Oct 2024, 10am to 4pm

(Barraba Cancer Patients Fund Raising Group Inc.) Pink & Grey Balloons will mark the way.

1. Andrea & Chris Jeffery 'Kuvera', 19 O'Regan Lane, Barraba (Model Railway)
2. Sinclair & Karen Hughson 'Clarendon', 267 Jump Up Road, Barraba (Fred Wilkinson's Garden Art)
3. Andy & Gerda's Garden 'Andy's Guest House', 98 Queen St, Barraba (Joy, Andy & Jack Mosaic by Arleen Weeks)
4. David & Helen Kelly, 36 Alice St, Barraba
5. Helen Hiscock, 53 Henry St, Barraba (Shed of Knowledge)
6. Dot & Bill Hannaford 'Coolabah' 2249 Burindi Rd, Barraba
7. Will & Stacey Sedgwick 'Aberlady', 173 Banoon Homestead Rd Barraba



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Places to See in Barraba

Barraba Silos - 'The Water Diviner' Art by Fintan Magee
Mural - 'Behind the Walls' by Jenny McCracken, Alice St on Queen St corner
Mural - 'Bedtime Story' by Scot Nagy & Krinsone, the Mall, Queen St
Mosaic - 'Joy, Andy & Jack' by Arlene Weekes, 98 Queen St
The Shed of Knowledge - 53 Henry St

Refreshments

Barraba Bowling Club - 8 Bridge St
Bistro RSL - 2 Maude St
Polkadot Coffee Room - 87 Queen St
The Fuller Gallery - 74 Queen St
Ampol Service Station - 21 Queen St

The Commercial Hotel - 136 Queen St
The Playhouse Hotel - 123 Queen St
Queen St Cafe - 82 Queen St
Inland Petroleum - 69 Queen St

gardens, all of which are open from 10am – 4pm. The Guessing Competition being conducted has three lovely prizes: 1st prize being a generous \$200 Gift Voucher at Black Mountain Nursery, north of Guyra. Not only are there the gardens to view, The Barraba Shed of Knowledge will be open, there will be metal garden art for sale at one garden and an extensive model railway display at another garden.

Delicious refreshments/and or meals will be available at the usual places in town (see map on left), while the Polkadot coffee van will be at Chris and Andrea Jeffery's for a period of time – just north of town. The BCPFRG ladies will be providing refreshments and sandwiches at the Sedgwick's garden, and the Hannafords. Potted up plants and cuttings are to be for sale at some of the gardens.

So why not make a day of it.....Come along to enjoy a relaxing stroll around some lovely local gardens, **this SATURDAY 26th October, 10am – 4pm.**

BCPFRG Inc. thanks Barraba Rotary Club for their kind support with the day.



*Captain Award - Alfie
Students of the week Josh, Charlie and Hudson B*



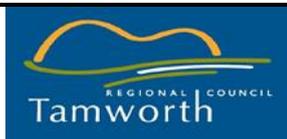
Students of the week - Hadley and Caspian



Reading Awards Isla, Makenna and Parker



Reading Awards Hudson B, Willow, Albie, Myles, Jack, Nahla and Sophie



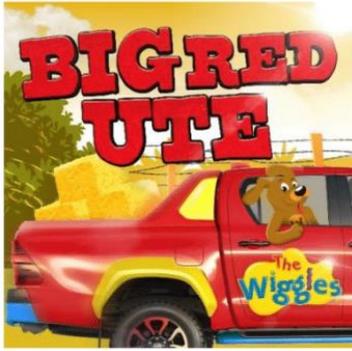
Tamworth Regional Councillors, on the 15th October 2024, elected Councillor Russell Webb as Mayor and Councillor Jeff Budd as Deputy Mayor.

The Mayoral term is two years while the Deputy Mayor role is for a term of 12 months.

The first Ordinary Meeting of the new Council was held on Tuesday 22 October at 6.30pm in the Nemingha Room of the former Lands Building in Fitzroy Street, Tamworth.

Hospital Auxiliary Happenings:

- 1 General meeting on the 1st of November, 10am at the Day Centre.
- 2 Street Stall on the 8th of November from 9am. Donations appreciated.
- 3 Lamington drive. **Orders to be in by the 8th November.** \$12 for pack of 6 lamingtons. Pick up on the 15th of November at the Hospital Day Centre. Order forms can be obtained from an Auxiliary member, Polkadot Coffee Room, the street stall or with the Health Service office staff.



THE WIGGLES TO PERFORM AT TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL IN 2025

And in more exciting news, The Wiggles are set to throw on their cowboy / cowgirl hats,

taking the Big Red Ute on a road trip to Australia's Country Music Capital, Tamworth Country Music Festival, where they will take their show off road and perform two very special shows on January 21 at AELEC (Australian Equine and Livestock Events Centre). This will be the first time The Wiggles have performed in such a unique venue which is usually reserved for Rodeos and Horse Cutting events. Tamworth get ready to Wiggle up and Giddy up!

Lachy Wiggle: *"We're so excited to introduce the 'Big Red Ute' at the Tamworth Country Music Festival! This song has a country rock feel, but it's also full of fun, imaginative moments that children will love.*

For us, it's about encouraging that sense of wonder, giving little ones a musical experience where they can clap along, stomp their feet, and go 'vroom vroom' all the way! And the best part is, parents will be tapping their toes right alongside them. We can't wait to see everyone at Tamworth joining in on the fun!"

Barry Harley—Manager Toyota Tamworth Country Music Festival: "We are excited to welcome The Wiggles to Tamworth for the Toyota 53rd Tamworth Country Music Festival in January! There's no better place to showcase their latest country hits than in Australia's Country Music Capital, and we can't wait to see The Wiggles pose in front of the Golden Guitar—two icons coming together this January!"

Max Jackson—Official Ambassador Tamworth Country Music Festival: "I am so incredibly excited to hear The Wiggles are coming to Tamworth in 2025. This is an extra special addition to the festival, particularly for family audiences who already flock to Tamworth! I am ready to boot-scoot with The Wiggles and all their friends!"

Don't miss The Wiggles live: JANUARY 21, 2025

TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL

2 SHOWS

VENUE: AELEC (Australian Equine and Livestock Events Centre).



[Digital Treasure: Digitisation & Storytelling For Small Museums](#)

Arts North West is inviting volunteer led museums in our region to take part in an exciting training opportunity.

[Digital Treasure: Digitisation & Storytelling For Small Museums](#)

Over two days, participants will learn how to digitise a chosen museum object from their collection (using either scanning or photographic methods) and plan and prepare a short-form object story (200-250 words) about their chosen object.

At the end of the workshops, volunteers will have developed digitisation knowledge and skills, digitised an object according to museum sector standards (as outlined in the [M&G NSW Crystal Clear](#) guidelines) and scoped and/or drafted an object story relating to their digitised object, which can be published to the Museums and Galleries of NSW's [Storyplace](#) website.

The Storytelling Workshop will be led by Dr Kate Gahan (Historian and Content Curator) and the Digitisation Workshop by Miranda Heckenberg (Gallery and Museum Digitisation Specialist).

Thurs 14th & Fri 15 Nov 2024 10am – 3pm
<https://events.humanitix.com/digital-treasure-digitisation-and-storytelling-for-small-museums-h774xxw8>

Light lunch and refreshments will be provided.

For more information contact Miranda Heckenberg, 0402 012 740, info@artsnw.com.au

These workshops are a follow up to ANW and ABC Open's training workshops *Hidden Treasures*. The video stories produced won an Imagine Award for the museums involved.

<https://www.artsnw.com.au/pastprojects#/hidden-treasures/>

Well the annual meeting of the Society has been held and all positions filled - we have a new treasurer and a new vice president- we just need those members who have not joined for 2024/5 to pay their membership. Most members would know that the museum is open on Friday mornings and there will be someone there to take your payment. Memberships can also be paid at the markets and there will be a market in November.

I wonder if those interested in the history of the First World War have wondered what happened after Armistice Day. While searching through a large family's old records and endeavouring to get them filed in chronological order I have found a letter from one of the soldiers.

The letter was written to his sister and dated France, 22nd November, 1918.

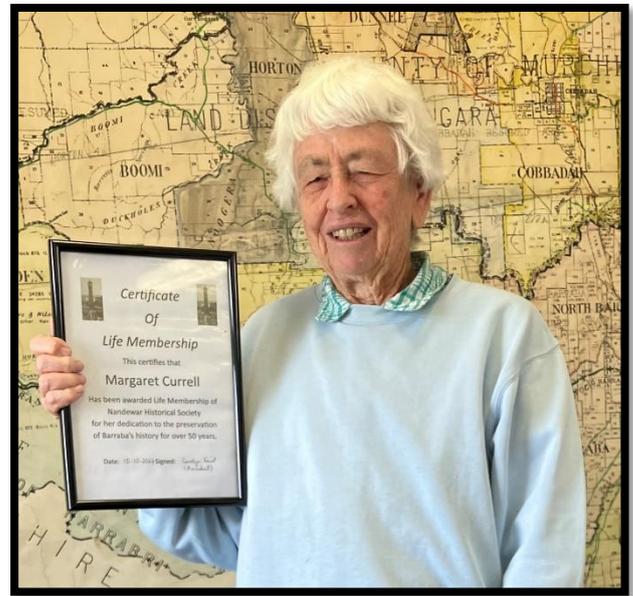
The first page was taken up by comments about the large number of letters he receives each week. He then moved on to complain about the cold and comment that Australia would be warming up now.

Since the Armistice was signed quite a lot of censoring had been lifted and the soldiers, who were living in a village in France, were allowed to have cameras. He stated that life in the village was not bad but he would rather to be heading "for that place called Australia". He mentions that another division is going to see Germany, to march into Germany as victors. His division was not going. He was keen to return home as "a plain old Sgt. that has done his bit".

This letter is written in pencil on ageing writing paper and dated 22nd November, 1918. He did come home safely and lived a long life on the land north of the Barraba district and we must thank a member of his family who thought to save the letter for someone to appreciate and preserve among his family history records.

Hopefully I can do another World War 1 soldier next week as we lead up to the centenary of the clock and remembrance of Barraba's soldiers who went to war.

The highlight of the AGM of the Nandewar Historical Society on Tuesday 15th October was the presentation of life membership to Margaret Currell. Margaret has been a passionate local and family historian since before the historical society was established.



Margaret Currell with her life membership certificate.

The officers elected for 2024-2025 are Carolyn Faint as president, Lesley Grigg as vice president, Lucinda Freestone as secretary, Julie Williams as publicity officer and Diana Sims as treasurer and market coordinator. Diana has taken over the role of treasurer from Margaret who has done that for many years. Margaret remains as public officer and general committee member. Other committee members are Adrian Hagan, Marjorie Urquhart and Glenda Geary. Congratulations and thanks to everyone.

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‘Work shouldn’t hurt’ - prevent Musculoskeletal Disorders this Safe Work Month

October is National Safe Work Month, a time to commit to building a safe and healthy workplace. SafeWork NSW is urging employers to watch and learn how to better protect workers from pains, sprains and strains associated with musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) with a new series of short online webinars.

MSDs are entirely preventable but account for 52 per cent of all serious workplace injuries and diseases in NSW. These disorders lead to an average of 20 weeks work time lost per injured person.

Workers can suffer from physical hazards like repetitive movement, heavy lifting and falls and this can lead to injury of muscles, ligaments, tendons and joints.

Psychosocial hazards like a high workload, stress, bullying and poor supervisor support are also directly linked to an increased risk of MSDs in the workplace.

SafeWork NSW is launching useful webinars about MSDs including how to manage risks and prevent injuries, as well as legal duties for both employers and workers in the workplace. As part of SafeWork NSW’s commitment to reducing injuries through the Musculoskeletal Disorder Prevention Plan to 2026, the agency is also working with key stakeholders to ensure workplaces understand and address MSD risks.

Employers can protect their workers from these preventable disorders by committing resources to effective workplace safety measures, designing work to eliminate hazardous manual tasks, providing relevant training and regularly reassessing and updating risk controls.

More information and access to the webinars can be found by visiting: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLbiniu1pEg3MippJaPOs8tVDO-iFeeUY>

Resources to support culturally and linguistically diverse communities, including a webinar series in Mandarin and Cantonese, will be available soon.

The Musculoskeletal Disorder Prevention Plan to 2026 can be accessed here: <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/musculoskeletal-disorders/musculoskeletal-disorders-prevention-plan-to-2026>

TAMWORTH REGIONAL COUNCIL

Message from the Mayor – Councillor Russell Webb



I feel honoured to be returned as your Mayor for the coming two years and I am humbled by the support of my fellow Councillors. It is a privilege to be among one of the nine councillors

elected to serve our community. Our first priority must be working together as a team so we can make this community of ours an even better place to live in. We need to focus on what our community needs.

In everything we do in life there are always going to be things we can probably do better. As councillors there are always going to be some changes on the way we approach the issues that are in front of us. That’s what I want to do in this term as Mayor and I’m sure that will happen with the new Council.

There are so many good things happening in our local government area. We have steady economic growth, job opportunities, businesses looking to invest here and a great lifestyle. We are one of the top regions of NSW and as Councillors by working together we can build on that even further.

It is reported that the in vote for Mayor six Councillors voted for Russell Webb and three for the other candidate Mark Rodda.

GWYDIR SHIRE COUNCIL

From the Bingara Noticeboard Facebook page



New Mayor and Deputy Mayor Elected

At today’s Ordinary Council Meeting, Cr Tiffany Galvin was elected as the Mayor and Cr Sean Coleman was elected as the Deputy

Mayor of Gwydir Shire Council. Mayor Tiffany Galvin and Deputy Mayor Sean Coleman are joined by the following Councillors who will represent the Gwydir Shire Council over the next 4 years:

- Cr Sarah Crump
- Cr Marilyn Dixon
- Cr Scot Crispin
- Cr Mick Collins
- Cr Rachel Sherman
- Cr John Bishton
- Cr Adrian Willmot

RAY WALSH HOUSE SAGA GOES ON – by Councillor Mark Rodda

Dear Fellow Residents & Ratepayers

At this Tuesday's 22/10/2024 meeting there is a request by the Deputy Mayor to form a working group that includes the five new councillors "to Review the Ray Walsh House Issues".

There are no issues to review. All the new councillors have access to all the relative documents, decisions, reasonings and determinations of the last council with regard to Ray Walsh House. Nothing has changed since then. The new councillors can go back through this information and come to their own conclusions without having to be guided by a working group that may or may not come to the same conclusion that the last council had about Ray Walsh House.

As I have previously stated in many Facebook posts and campaigned on with regard to Ray Walsh House, I am not in concurrence with the official advice and have explained why I am opposed to the current course of action. I believe the motion is flawed in its current state, but I would support the Deputy Mayor to form a Ray Walsh House working group of any councillor who would like to participate, if it had very broad terms of reference, allowing councillors to talk and seek advice from anyone willing to offer it, make independent enquires on councillors own volition and have that evidence be presented in a public forum. Residents don't simply want a rubber stamp for disposal and all elected councillors should have the opportunity to participate in the building's future, hence I will be moving an amendment. That would deliver a more democratic outcome and enhance collaboration between the newly elected councillors over the significant buildings' future.



Gala Day for Dogs will be back at Bicentennial Park on Sunday 27 October 2024. Kicking off at 9am, it's a mix of competitions, socialising and food and market stalls for pooches and owners alike. The event aims to raise awareness around responsible pet ownership, supporting owners by connecting them with a range of local services and organisations.

The event is free and open to all residents and visitors. However, all dogs must be on a leash at all times and owners must clean up after them.



RODS ON THE PEEL



1 November - 3 November

The "Rods on the Peel" event is a sanctioned gathering hosted by the Outlaw Hot Rod Club Inc., taking place from the 1st to the 3rd of November 2024 in Tamworth. This event is a celebration of custom cars, including Rods, Custom Classics, and American Muscle vehicles. The event offers participants a chance to showcase their vehicles, with classifications available for different types of cars. Alongside the car displays, attendees can enjoy a variety of meals included with the entry fee, such as cooked breakfasts and slow-cooked meats during the evening meals. Special events are planned throughout the weekend, including a live band, a "Best in Show" competition, and a fancy dress party on Friday night, with prizes to be won.

The cost to enter is \$85 for a single participant or \$120 for a double entry, with kids under the age of 16 attending for free. Additional activities include a poker run, auctions, and raffles. Participants can also purchase event polo shirts, with sizes available for men, women, and children. The event promises a fun-filled weekend for car enthusiasts and their families, with a range of activities and entertainment options.

CATHOLIC CHURCH TIMES

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



Winners of the Catholic Women's Organisation raffle

are:

1st prize: Kerry Salmon

2nd prize: June McClean.

Many thanks to all those who generously supported our stall.

ANGLICAN CHURCH TIMES

St Laurence's Barraba

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Message from the Editor

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

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Sailing Report Lake Keepit, Sunday 20th October 2024

What an amazingly fabulous day it was on Lake Keepit after the unsettled weather patterns that have besieged the northern slopes this week!

Boats were out of storage early today, driven by their eagerness to get out onto the water. Several new members had 'on the water' lessons in the morning as the line-up of rigged boats grew along the shore-line.

By 1.00pm ten boats of the mixed fleet of starters milled around the Race Officer's boat on the starting line. The wind was non-existent to very soft and the count-down to the starting horn was well on its way. Our mixed fleet included; one trailer-yacht, three catamarans and six laser dinghies all anxious to start.

First away was Michael Bradfield (laser) closely followed by our 80yo Michael Juchau (catamaran) and Tim Corben (laser). This first beat to windward was fluky and varied in direction and Mick Bradfield led the fleet followed by Dave Aylwin (Marie cat) and Michael Juchau.

The wind increased in the centre of the lake and was non-existent along the shore. Gusts were stronger and Mick copped a large gust on the top mark gybe and fell off his boat which in its skipperless state tipped over! And so, the tricky course with increasing wind continued.

In the fleet were two raw beginners who were having a ball keeping their Lasers upright and under control. Mat, an Argentinean visitor, was one of these competitors who had attended the Learn to Sail course in the school vacation here at Lake Keepit. It was a great effort for him to successfully complete the race course today.

The water fun continued for three triangles and one windward-return leg and Manilla's Dave Aylwin scored fastest time overall and first on corrected time. Great work Dave!

Second on corrected time: Michael Juchau

Third: Mick Bradfield

Next week's race is Heat 2 of the Club Championship Series with a 1.00pm start.

Tim Corben Commodore LKSC (and Barraba resident)



TENNIS CLUB AGM WELL ATTENDED

The Barraba Town and District Tennis Club Inc held its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 15 October at the Barraba Bowling Club. The meeting was well attended, with special guest Ellie Ryan, Tennis Australia's Northern Districts Development Officer (based in Gunnedah).

Officer Bearers elected were –

President – Heath White

Vice President – Dale White

Treasurer – Tracey Thompson

Acting Secretary – Jeanette Hiller (while Amie Middlemiss is overseas)

Congratulations to all.

President Heath White reported that the Tennis coaching camp conducted by Jarrod Campbell in the school holidays was successful and well attended – it is hoped that coaching will continue this school term with weekly after school coaching classes.

Teams are being finalised for the term four Night Light Competition starting Tuesday 22 October at 6.30 pm – it is not too late to join but hurry! It is hoped that a junior competition, particularly for those who attended the Coaching Camp, will run at the same time, supported by some of the parent Club Members.

Golf News

Dustin Hiscock picked up where he left off last year and won the chook with 23 point on the opening round of our twilight competition. Balls went to Charlie Cordingley with 22, Adam Russell and Ally Smith 21, Simon Koopman, Helen Kelly and Bill Servin 20 and Kevin Smith and Phil Dawson with 19. Best of the 5 holers was Jack Ward.

Teams are still sorting themselves out a bit so there is plenty of room to be in a team or alternatively don't be in a team and play whenever you like.

In other golf news Firman Allan defeated Ally Smith on the 19th to claim this years' matchplay championship. Ironically it was a replay of last years' final except it was Ally that won on the 19th on that occasion. Firman must be in good form as he and Jesse Phillips defeated Dan Lott and Kieren Darlington 4 and 3 to advance to the 4Ball matchplay final against Summy and Pickles. It's all happening!

Walcha had their Mixed and Men's Open on last weekend. Kerrie and Neil Smith won the mixed with 43 points on the Saturday while Josh Austin and Jack Boyd came third in the men's with a very credible +5 on the Sunday. A good day was had by all. Barraba was well represented with 8 players up there for the mixed and 13 for the men's. Well done all!

BACK TO THE BUSH AUTO FESTIVAL – A GREAT SUCCESS

Large crowds enjoyed the local Festival on a beautiful sunny Barraba day, with a spectacular Fireworks display to finish the day. Congratulations to the organisers. Thank you to Julie Williams and Terry Threlfall for the car photos.



Some of Phil Denyer's vehicles on display



Peter Salter's Collection





Kombi enthusiast visitor Peter Steel, from Bomaderry NSW, with a beautifully restored classic VW Kombi



Another line of cars



An eye catching Hotrod



1924 Maxwell



Fireworks. Photo: Andrew Sharp