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WHAT'S INSIDE



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Termite Solutions



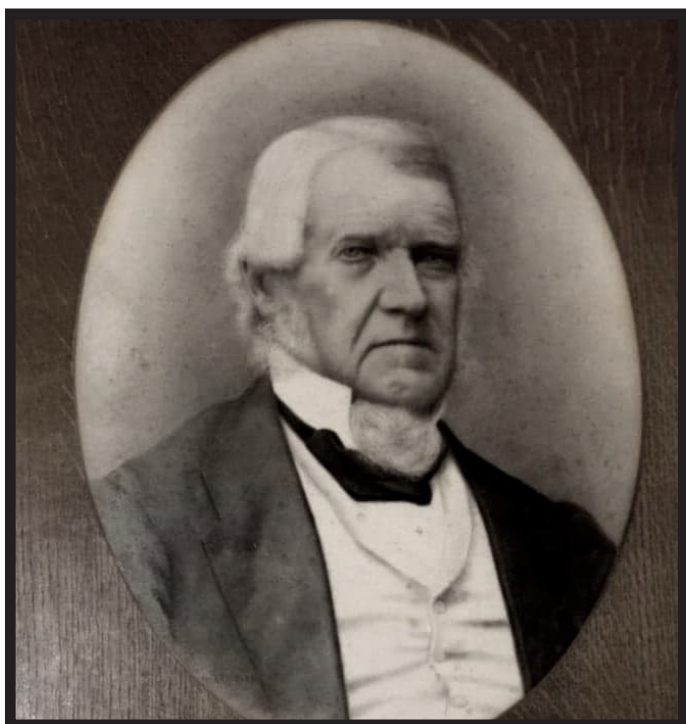
Did you know that the recent rain
can cause higher Termite activity!
Have you had your House Inspected?

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A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE

WILLIAM LEE

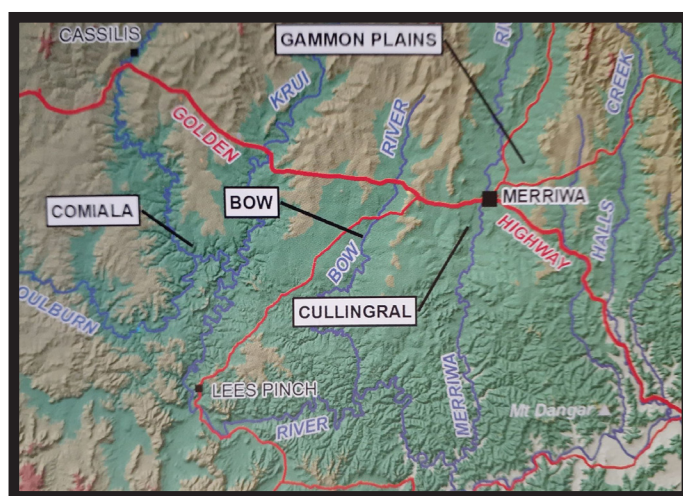


The European discovery of the Bow Plains is credited to William Lawson and William Lee. William Lee is recognised as the discoverer of the good land around Bylong, and was the first person to pioneer a route in to the Bow Plains from the south across the Goulburn river and over the rough country around Lee's Pinch which is named after him. His road became an alternate stock route for those moving herds and flocks into the area from Bathurst, map 1.

He was a renowned explorer in his own right and also accompanied William Lawson's third expedition north from Bathurst to Mudgee and onto Dunedoo in November and December 1822. For his work, William was granted land leases and two of these were at Bow (Bogge-bri as it was then known) and further south around the Ranch to Roxbury area, country later owned by the Hunt and Inder families. The land came

into dispute with the Blaxlands due to land duplication by the Surveyor General in 1830 with both William Lee and the Blaxlands claiming the land which was finally resolved in January 1832, three years after the Surveyor General's approval

William Lee was born April 1, 1794 at Norfolk Island, the son of convict parents. William helped build the road over the Blue Mountains, supervised by William Cox. He was among the first group of settlers at Bathurst, where he received a land grant on April 21, 1818. He received government cattle which was recommended by William Cox as a suitable settler. On March 26, 1826, William married Mary Dargin at Windsor and took his bride to Kelso, near Bathurst. He became a noted discoverer of good pastoral land and



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Merriwa Central School



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'Empowering and challenging students to become lifelong learners'

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Merriwa Central School

Deputy Principal's Report

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the

Australian Government's Privacy Policy (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

SMOKING/VAPING CONCERNS

Smoking, which now includes the use of electronic cigarettes (vaping) has been prohibited on all school premises and in administrative areas since July 1988. Smoking/vaping is also prohibited at all public transport stops and stations in NSW and on transport to and from school.

HEALTH RISKS

Smoking is a major risk factor for a variety of diseases and conditions including:

- coronary heart disease: 10 times higher risk than non-smokers
- stroke and peripheral vascular disease
- lung cancer: 20 times higher risk than non-smokers
- other cancers such as stomach, bladder, mouth and cervical cancer
- emphysema
- osteoporosis
- type 2 diabetes and metabolic syndrome.

Electronic cigarettes (E-cigarettes) can contain high levels of nicotine. Adolescence is a critical period for brain development and exposure to nicotine can have long-term health consequences, impacting memory, attention and learning.

Coming Events

JUNE	
Friday 11	Chemistry Prac Day - WSU Parramatta
Tuesday 15	Primary Assembly 2.15pm U16's Central Schools Rugby League 7's - Dubbo Secondary Revolution Park Rewards Excursion Primary Out of Space Rewards Day
Thursday 17	U14's Central Schools Rugby League 7's - Dubbo Infants Cinema Excursion
Monday 21	Secondary Assembly 9am
Tuesday 22	HSC Chemistry Aurora

E-cigarettes are often available in different flavours which can be appealing to young people and may expose them to chemicals and toxins such as formaldehyde, heavy metals, particulate matter and flavouring chemicals, at levels that have the potential to cause adverse health effects.

Second-hand smoke exposure can cause disease and premature death in children and adults who do not smoke. Specifically children exposed to second-hand smoke experience a range of upper and lower respiratory illnesses and symptoms such as colds and flu, cough, phlegm production, wheezing and pneumonia.

WHAT WE ARE DOING TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH

We will continue to take appropriate opportunities to promote the Department's policy on smoking on school premises. We will also report any breaches of outdoor smoking bans to NSW Health via an online form found [here](#). Your support

There are ways you can help protect your children. These include:

- Talking to your child about why smoking/vaping are harmful for them. It is never too late to have the conversation
- Learning about the different types of e-cigarettes available and the risks associated with using these products
- Setting a good example by being tobacco free
- Reporting those who are selling cigarettes and e-cigarettes to minors. You can do this by completing the online reporting form or calling the Tobacco Information Line on 1800 357 412.

HELPFUL RESOURCES

You may find the below resources helpful when talking with your child:

<https://www.icanquit.com.au/reasons-to-quit/smoking-and-your-family/what-if-your-child-smokes>

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco/Pages/default.aspx>

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco/Pages/e-cigarette-young-people.aspx>

Please contact the school if you have any particular concerns for your child and help will be made available as soon as possible

Primary RECONCILIATION WEEK

Students from Kinder-Year 12 celebrated Reconciliation Week 2021. This year's theme was More than a Word. Students completed a variety of activities and learnt about the significance and history behind Reconciliation Week. We take this time as a school to learn about our shared history, cultures and achievements and how we can support each other in achieving reconciliation in Australia.

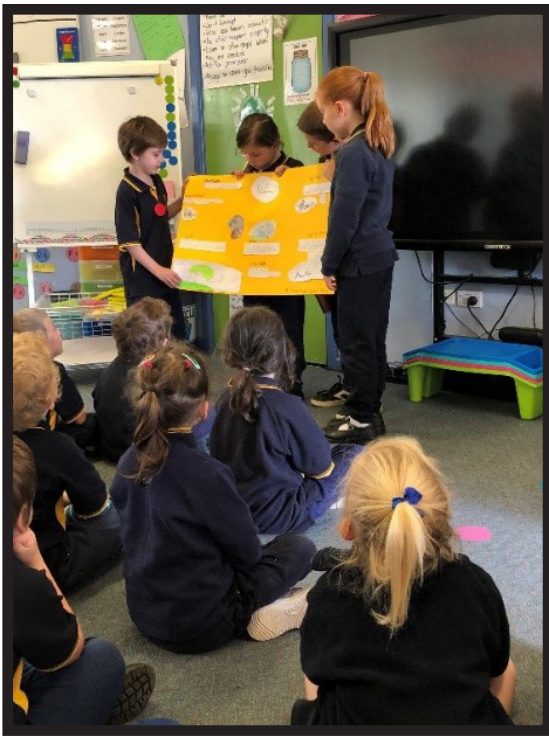


**Narelle Smith
Deputy Principal Student Wellbeing**

AMAZING ANIMAL FACTS IN 2/3

Last week Kindergarten were invited to visit the Year 2/3 classroom to learn all about different animals. The students of Year 2/3 worked collaboratively in groups to create informative posters about their chosen animal. Kindergarten discovered some really interesting facts about bats, sea otters, wolves, pandas and sharks. All groups did a fantastic job when presenting their projects and all students spoke beautifully. This was Year 2/3's first time presenting in front of an audience and they should be very proud of their efforts. Kindergarten would like to thank Mrs Hourn and Year 2/3 for inviting us into their classroom and sharing their learning!





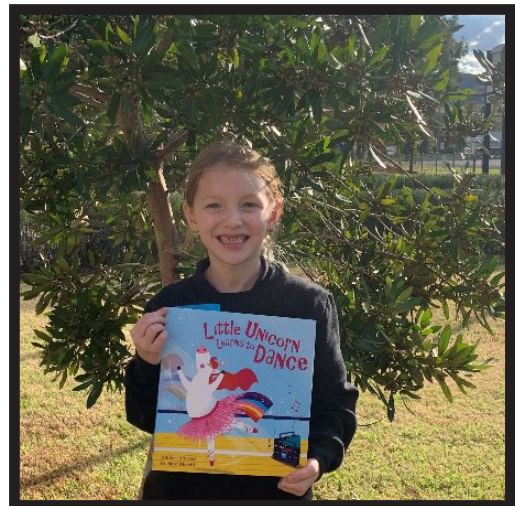
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students for receiving Student of the Week Awards in Week 6.

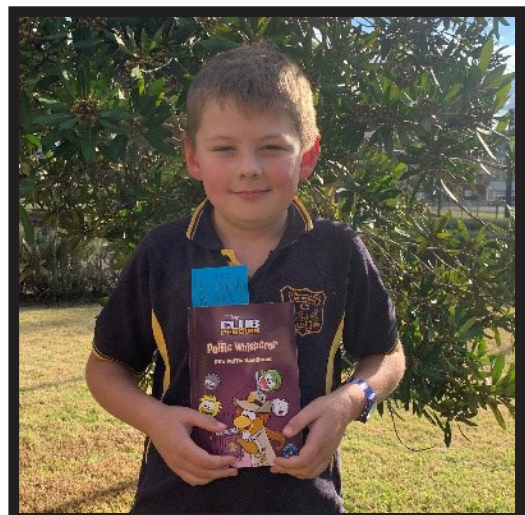
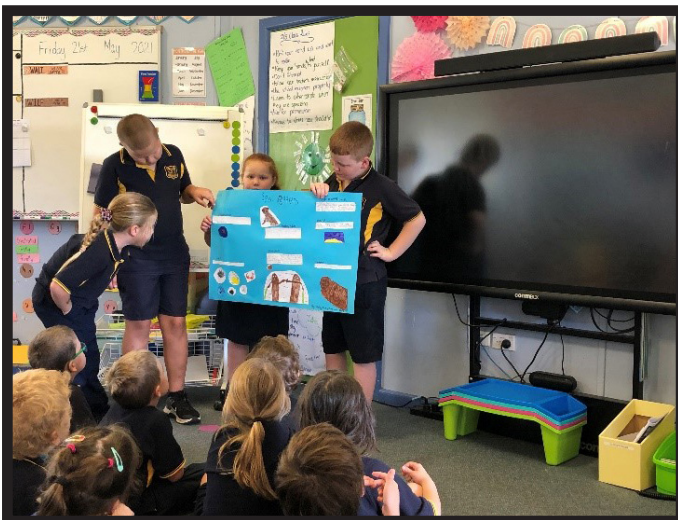
Kindergarten - Shania Squires for always being such a positive, kind and friendly classmate



Year 1 - Ruby Clarke for consistent effort in the classroom



Year 2/3 - Alfred Chance for always treating everyone with kindness and respect



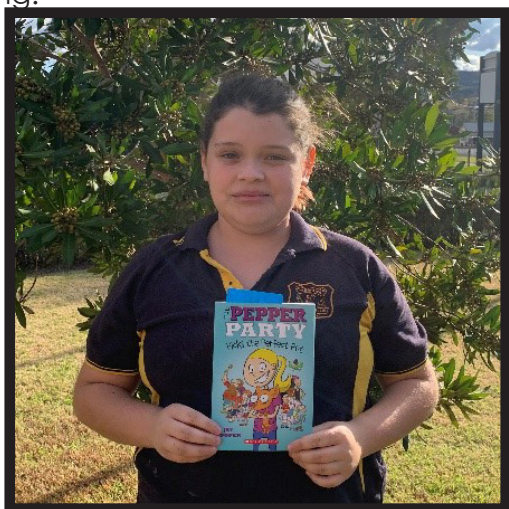
Year 3/4 - Joshua Sawley for description and detail in recipe writing



Year 4/5 - Hazel Chin for working hard in division



Year 5/6 - Amelia Wright for improvement in spelling.



CLASS OF THE WEEK

Last week's Class of the Week Award went to the class that was noticed demonstrating respect toward staff and peers during the week. Year 4/5 were noticed demonstrating sportsmanship during lunch times, as well as speaking politely and respectfully to their peers and teachers. Eleyce Davis and Logan Reid proudly accepted the award on behalf of Year 4/5. Well done!



Emma Garbellini
Relieving Infants Assistant
Principal

Secondary

HOME ECONOMIC CATERING

Students in Food Technology and Hospitality put their skills and knowledge into practice last week to cater for the Mudgee Principal Network Meeting. This was the students first attempt at catering for an event and they all stood up for the occasion. The students created a morning tea, lunch and dessert for 20 plus principals from around the area. All students worked together as a team to create a range of menu items that included: brownies, antipasto and fruit platters, lasagna and chocolate mousse. It was a big day and a half for these students and they are commended for their efforts and represented Merriwa Central School admirably while all wearing their chefs uniforms.

Big thank you to Josie Porter, Dakota Turner, Mia Jacobs, Elisha Drury, Oceana Rowlings, Jack Sumpter-Cornish, Katie Kelly, Joanne Hamson



Matt Dean
Head Teacher VET

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

RILEY BORRADAILE

FAVOURITE SUBJECT: Visual Art, because I get to develop self-portraits and other art skills

BEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: Beating my personal best record in competitive chess during the Chess Tournament in Newcastle

CAREER ASPIRATIONS: I'm considering being a lawyer

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: I like to play video games and practice chess in my spare time

YEAR ADVISOR COMMENT: Riley approaches all aspects of his schooling with a positive attitude. He shows commitment and dedication in all things academic, as well as participating in extra-curricular activities such as representing Merriwa Central School in multiple Chess Tournaments. Riley is always looking to extend his knowledge and skills at school, and works hard to achieve results that he should be proud of.

Ashleigh Golden- Year Advisor



HSC Preparation Courses for English Standard, Advanced Students and Extension 1

We offer an extensive program of both standard and advanced HSC English preparation courses across a range of topics, giving students the necessary knowledge and skills to make their HSC English studies more effective and boost their HSC results.

Our HSC preparation courses cover novels from Great Expectations to Emma, and The Crucible to 1984. We have courses that revise Shakespeare's plays including The Merchant of Venice, Henry IV Part 1 and The Tempest. We also cover the poetry of Keats and T S Eliot and films ranging from Billy Elliot to Good Night and Good Luck.

There's also a course on The Craft of Writing and an English Advanced Exam Preparation Course.

Our HSC English preparation short courses are open to everyone. Sign up today and boost your HSC results.

<https://cce.sydney.edu.au/courses/hsc-preparation/english>

Your free guide to a career in exercise physiology and exercise science

The difference between an exercise physiologist / sports scientist / exercise scientist. According to Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA), there is a distinct difference between these three professions.

<https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/exercise-career/>

UNSW HSC Maths Course Selection

While we encourage everyone to study the level of maths at which they feel sufficiently challenged, below are some guidelines for the minimum level of maths required for some of our degrees. Please also see Assumed Knowledge for more information.

Type of Degree Assumed Knowledge

Science with Mathematics Major Mathematics & Mathematics Extension 1, study as much maths as you can

Science or Engineering Mathematics and
Mathematics Extension 1

Commerce with Actuaries, Finance
or Accounting Major Mathematics and

Mathematics Extension 1

Health Sciences Mathematics

Studying at least HSC Mathematics Extension 1 will leave your options open when you choose your university degree. Knowledge of mathematics is a useful skill in any profession, even if it is not required for a particular course. No doubt, you will have to use mathematical tools such as graphs and statistics for the rest of your life.

Learning mathematics also teaches you to approach problems in a systematic and logical way. This is a transferable skill that is particularly important in project management and it is an important skill for life.

<https://www.maths.unsw.edu.au/highschool/hsc-course-selection>

Australian College of Nursing – Scholarships

If you are looking for financial assistance to help you pursue your health care education goals you have come to the right place!

ACN is dedicated to helping you be the best you can be by providing access to scholarships, grants and awards.

We are proud to administer a range of Australian Government Department of Health scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate aged care, nursing and midwifery courses as well as scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying entry-level health courses. Scroll down to find out more!

We also offer grants and awards to support nurses to complete continuing professional development as well as postgraduate study and research. You can read more about these exciting opportunities at the bottom of this page.

Be sure to register your interest to be notified when upcoming scholarship opportunities become available.

<https://www.acn.edu.au/scholarships>

Register your interest here:

https://acn.formstack.com/forms/expression_of_interest_scholarships

Jane Hegarty
Careers Advisor

Merriwa Ringer



Sandy Hollow Public School

PYJAMA DAY

Students enjoyed wearing their pyjamas to school to raise money for an ex SHPS family who lost all of their belongings in a house fire recently. We hope our contribution helps the Ward family get back on their feet.



Mrs Jane Fuiono
Principal

STRENGTH SUPERHERO

Strength of the week: Fairness

Treating people all the same according to notions of fairness and justice.

This week's focus strength is 'Fairness'.

This week and over the next week we will be focusing on this strength. Students will be encouraged to look for it happening at school and staff will be looking for this strength in the way the children interact with each other. Our Character Strength Super Hero this week is Tanaya.



FAIRNESS SUPER HERO

Tanaya was chosen for this award because she always plays fairly and treats her friends with respect.

Well done,
Tanaya!

RETURN AND EARN

Sandy Hollow Tourist Hotel has approached the school to see if we would be interested in collection bottles and cans to 'Return and Earn' as a fundraising venture for the school. This means we need a volunteer or two to collect bottles from the pub, and take them to the return point on behalf of the school. Sandy Hollow Public School has become a Donation Partner and funds can be donated directly to us from the return points. Members of the public can also donate their returns money to us at any time. If you would be interested in collecting these bottles and cans from the pub, and 'returning' them for us, please let the school know, or let James at the pub know.

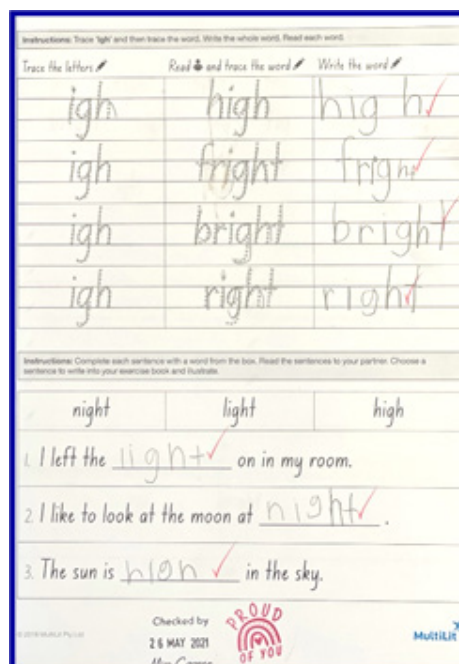
AWARDS

- Mya - YCDI - Persistence - Perseverance with mathematical tasks
- Aubree - Learning to become an independent worker
- Leo - YCDI - Getting Along - getting along with everyone at all times.



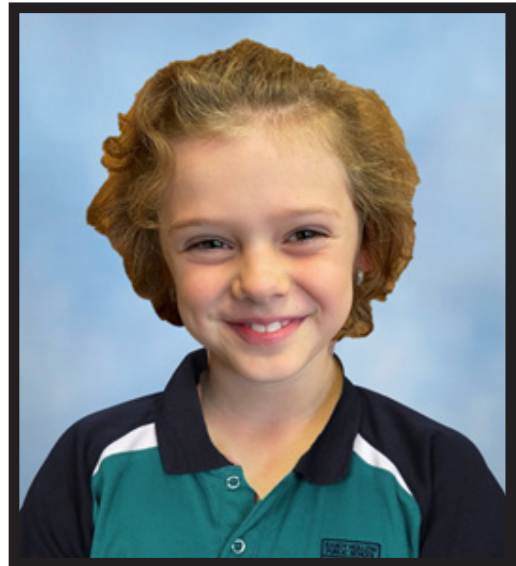
WORKERS OF THE WEEK

Logan





Taylan



SPORTSPERSON OF THE WEEK

Zoe – Encouraging her friends during marching practice

SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

- Leo

1	20×4	76	✓
2	19×8	152	✓
3	19×5	95	✓
4	29×7	203	✓
5	29×3	87	✓
6	29×6	174	✓
7	29×8	232	✓
8	99×2	198	✓
9	99×6	594	✓
10	Jen's family bought 3 season passes for \$99 each. How much altogether?		
		297	✓

Ms. 2.1



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Hannah – Demonstrating school values at all times.

Ringer Deadline!
Please remember to place your articles and advertisements into the Merriwa Ringer by Mondays, at 12.00 noon



St Joseph's Primary School

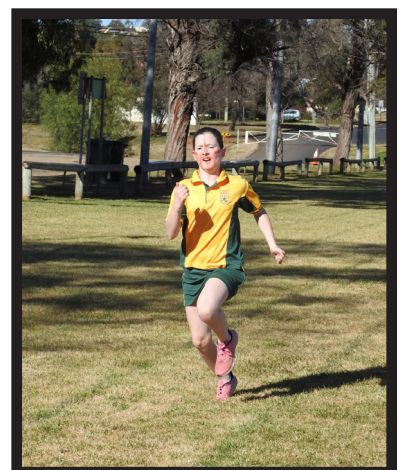
FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Our Athletics Carnival highlighted the last two weeks for St Joseph's. It was a wonderful display of community, fun and excitement! I was one proud Principal to see the magnificent efforts, throws, jumps and running performances. One of the best things I witnessed from the carnival was the way that our parents and students not only just encouraged their own, but every other student too.

Congratulations to the winners, age champions and students who qualified to represent us in two weeks' time at the Regional Athletics Carnival.

St Joseph's Merriwa is truly a terrific place to be a part of. To every student, teacher, staff member, parent, grandparent, friend of the school or anyone else who attended the Athletics Carnival last Friday, THANK YOU!!

On a sad note, we received word that the Raines family sadly lost their beloved grandmother and great-grandmother. We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family. We also offer our heartfelt condolences to Rebecca Wardman, Rowdy and Shykiah on the recent passing of their grandfather and great-grandfather.



MIDDLE SCHOOLS DAY

Stage Three attended Middle Schools Day at St Joseph's High School, Aberdeen. The students received a special privilege, being picked up by Mr Holstein, Principal. Students participated in many different activities throughout the day, were given the experience of being high school students and parents were given vital information about what St Joseph's Aberdeen offers and the expectations placed on students.

We hope you enjoyed your day Stage Three!



STUDENT REPORTS

Teachers are currently working very hard on collecting assessment data, grading it and compiling student reports.

The average time that it takes to write one student's reports, from personal experience, is approximately 1-2 hours. It is a huge amount of time, professional judgement and often completed during weekends, after school and out of teaching time.

As a Principal, I am very appreciative of the very hard work that our teachers put into every school report. Having read them this weekend, I know that they know each and every one of your children extremely well and that you will get an expertly written, professional report.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent/Teacher Interviews are to be held in the final week of Term Two, June 21 – June 23. This is a prime opportunity to discuss your child's learning, their current level of performance and how best to assist them with their needs.

We will organise times shortly through the Compass app.

CAMPDRAFT AND FETE

We are only weeks away from our major fundraiser, the St Joseph's Junior Campdraft

and Fete. This is the prime fundraiser of the year. We really appreciate all of the sponsors that currently have contributed to this event, both in Merriwa and its surrounds.

Our amazing Parents and Friends Association work around the clock to make this wonderful event happen. We ask that all families get involved in what ever way possible and make this event great, after spending a year on the sidelines with COVID.

UPPER HUNTER REGIONAL CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the following students on qualifying for the Regional Athletics Carnival, to be held at Singleton on June 18:

Therese Grocott, Eden Barry, Rihanna Hunt, Annabelle Hunt, Lula Peebles, Emma McLaren, Jeremiah Raines, Samuel Williams, Archie Constable, Jye Bates, Jeremy Hopkins, Eddison Raines, Chad Booth, Archie Wallace, Fletcher Gardner, Hudson Wallace, Morgan Bates.

VOLUNTEERING AT JOEYS

Thank you to all of our parents who have returned their forms in order to continue their volunteering roles with us. I know it is a very difficult and tedious process, but we are here to support you.

Please let the school know if there is anything we can do to help.

ENROLMENTS

If you know of any family who wishes to see the great work we do at St Joseph's, please promote us as much as you can. Your positive words in the community will be extremely beneficial.

For enquiries, email admin@merriwa.catholic.edu.au or Ashley.borg@mn.catholic.edu.au

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

JUNE 14 – QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY (NO SCHOOL)

JUNE 18 – REGIONAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – SINGLETON

JUNE 18 – REPORTS SENT HOME ON COMPASS

JUNE 21 – PARENT SACRAMENTAL TEAM MEETING

JUNE 21 – JUNE 23 – PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

JUNE 25 – LAST DAY TERM TWO

JUNE 26 – CAMPDRAFT AND FETE

As always, please feel free to make an appointment to speak with me about any matters that concern you, regarding your child, or just to say "HELLO!" We value tremendously the support all of you give St Joseph's.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners.

Week Seven - Strength Award – Perspective

Kindergarten - Paddy Armstrong - for always being open to others' perspectives.

Jayden Schmidt - for being a role by always being ready to learn.

Stage 1 - Annabelle Marshall - for her continued participation and dedication towards all learning tasks.

Lily Schmidt - for her ability to consider and listen to the perspectives of others around her.

Stage 2 - Cooper Smith – for his great use of expression when reading

Fletcher Gardner – for understanding the perspective of others in group discussions

Stage 3 - Lula Peebles - for being able to look at others differing points of views and respond accordingly, using the strength of perspective

Jeremy Hopkins – for developing a mature approach to his schoolwork and striving to work at a high level in all KLAS

Principal's Awards - Shyanne Beeney – for the continued efforts she makes in reading

Charlie Constable – for an excellent renewed effort to improve writing.



Mr Ashley Borg
Principal



Cassilis Public School

Kindergarten and Year 1 Students will be doing fun space activities at school.

With the expected cold weather due this week,

NEW RELIEVING SAM

Thank you to everyone who applied for this position. The standard of applications were impressive.

Congratulations to Mrs Sarah Witton who was the successful candidate in the Expression of Interest process which was completed last week.

Mrs Witton was a very strong applicant and showed great evidence of learning and ability, we look forward to welcoming her to the school term. Mrs Witton will be working alongside Mrs Cunningham on numerous days this term to ensure a smooth transition.

Thank you to both Mrs Cunningham and Mrs Witton. A farewell morning tea for Mrs Cunningham will be held on Wednesday 23 June. Everyone is very welcome to attend and say thank you to Mrs Cunningham.

PRINCIPAL MEETINGS LAST WEEK



Mrs Burgess attended two meetings last week one being at Binnaway Central, meeting with the other small schools in the Mudgee area and the other was at Merriwa Central with all 19 principals from the Mudgee Network.

Both meetings were extremely beneficial as they focused on improving outcomes for every student at our school. This is our number one job. We do this by making every day count for students and designing engaging and relevant lessons.

Your child does need to be at school and engaged in learning as often as possible. Mrs Burgess does need to approve any days absent. Reasonable reasons include a medical appointment which requires long travel, or illness.

Let's all work together to make sure that students

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - ANGUS



Angus has been voted the Student of the Week for his consistent approach to following each of our school expectations.

Angus is always respectful to himself, other students and staff. He uses kind words and problem solves well. He shows safe behaviour and thinks about his actions. Angus is a great learner who challenges himself to try new activities and talks about what he has learnt. The staff loves learning from Angus. He has made impressive improvements particularly with speaking, reading and writing.

Angus comes to school each Wednesday ready for learning with good sleep and food for the day.

Congratulations Angus., You should feel very proud of your efforts and achievements.

A DAY UNDER THE STARS

This Wednesday, all our primary students are heading to Dunedoo Central School for a great opportunity to explore the solar system and meet other kids.

Thank you to Mrs Anderson for the kind use of her van. Ms Sanders and Mrs Nairne will be accompanying the students there. Mrs Burgess and Mrs Cornish will be at school with the infants students. Infants can also wear out of school uniform or a space outfit if they want to.



are at school and really engaged in their learning as often as possible. It can be much harder for students to 'catch up' after time lost from learning. At Cassilis we will continue to work very hard to make sure every student gets the support they need.

WHAT DO WE WANT TO BE WHEN WE GET OLDER?

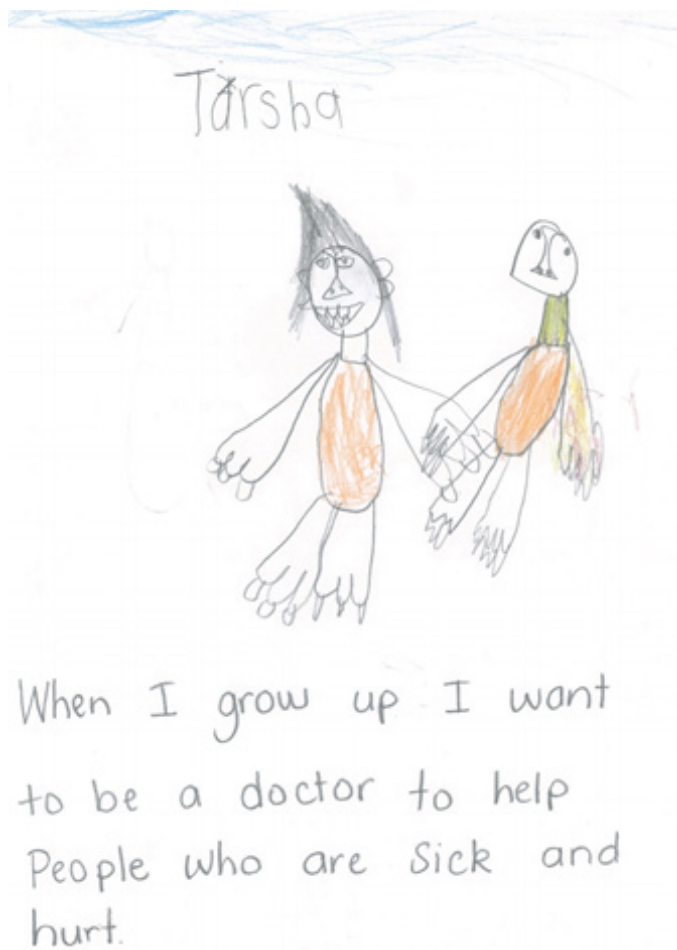
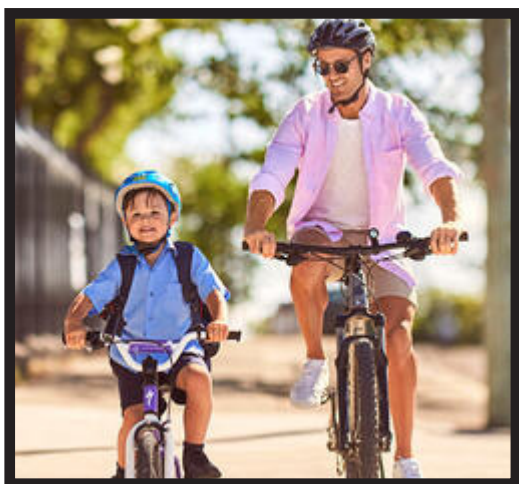


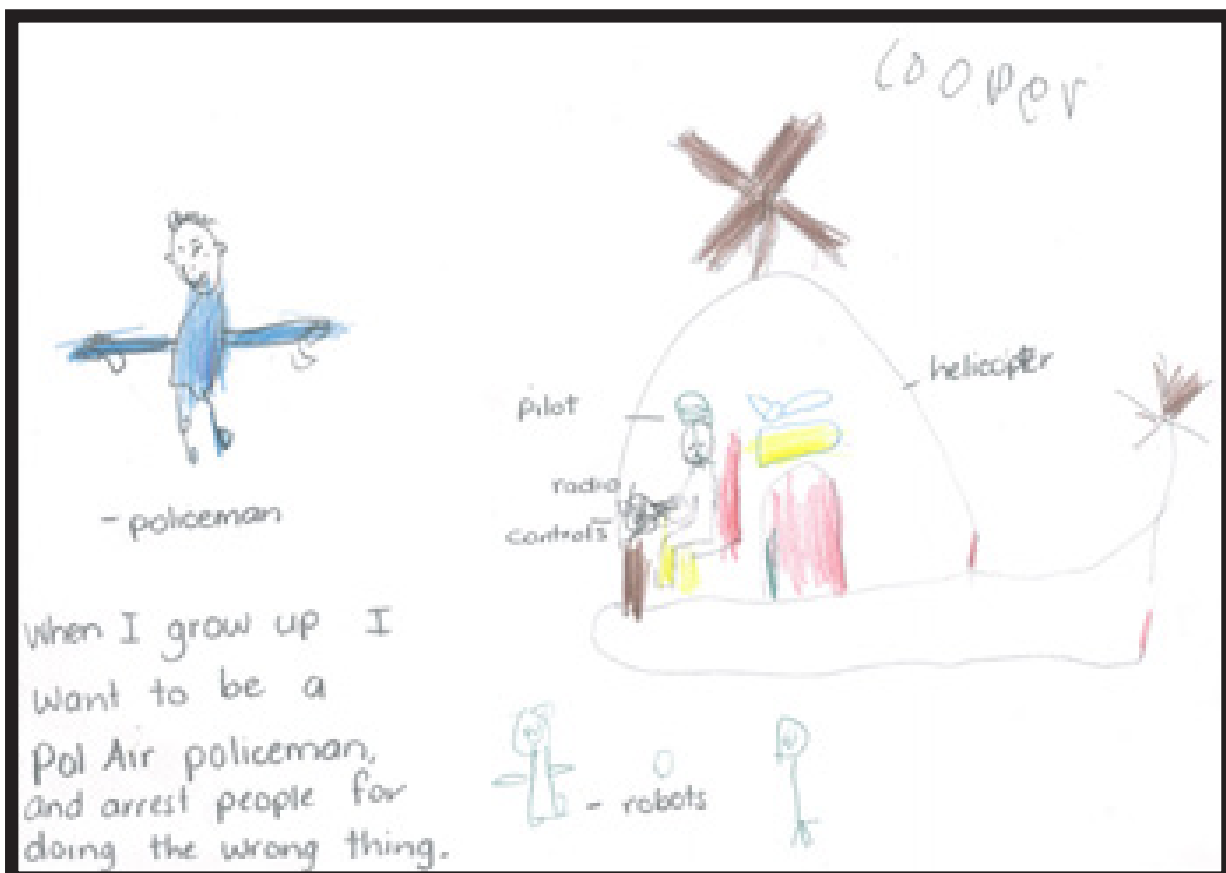
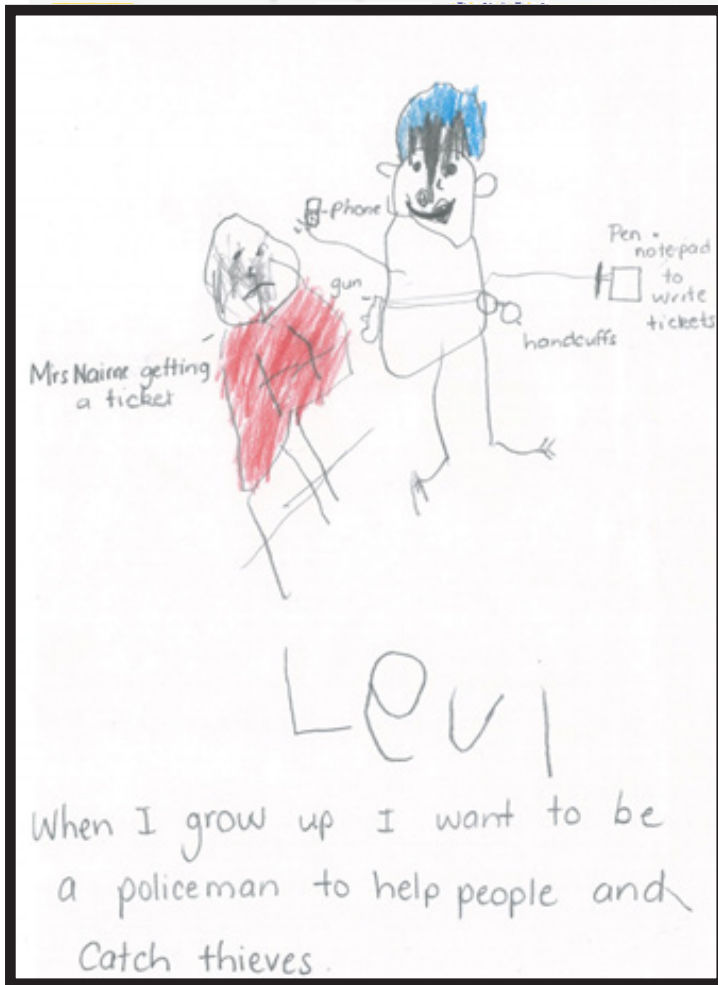
BIKE REWARDS DAY

The school and students have been planning a rewards day for students. This day will involve a trip to Coolah to ride the bike path and have a nice lunch. Further details will be sent home soon. At this moment all students are invited to attend. Students will need to show improving learning and behaviour over the last three weeks of this term.

The students have been learning about bike safety at school. Please help to organise your child's bike. If there are any repairs that need to be done, please drop your bike into the school and the school can organise equipment and teach the students how to fix punctured tyres or broken brakes. This needs to be done within the next week to allow the school to order parts. This service does not cost you any money. All students will also need their own correctly fitted helmet.

Cycling will be our sport for term 3. We are really looking forward to getting out and about on our bikes.





Katie Burgess
Principal



Anglican News

Phone: 0429 996 769

REFLECTION - PENTECOST 3 - Mark 4:35-41

After a series of great feasts we return to the cycle of Ordinary Time. But don't miss the extraordinary event of today's Gospel. Until this scene, Jesus has been teaching and healing in Galilee, but now he decides to cross Lake Galilee which will take him into the land of the Gentiles. This scene is rich in symbolism. The sea is frequently symbolic of evil powers. As Jesus tries to take his mission to the Gentiles the powers of evil rise up against him. The language used is very strange. Jesus rebukes the wind and the sea. He speaks to them as though they were personal forces. This is the language of an exorcism. In the Old Testament the one who has mastery over the sea is God. The words of today's psalm speak of this power: 'God stilled the storm to a whisper; all the waves of the sea were hushed.' In this miracle Jesus demonstrates that he has God's power to still the storm and hush the sea. The disciples don't get it! They ask the question 'Who can this be?' All the signs point to the fact that Jesus is God in their midst. Mark presents Jesus in human terms, and only rarely does this Gospel give a hint that Jesus is something more.

What looks like a miracle is in fact a major demonstration of Jesus' identity for those who can read the symbols and see the signs. The disciples miss these signs and their faith crumbles. Can you see the signs of God in your own life? (From "Sundays Under the Southern Cross" by Mary Coloe PBVM)

Love and blessings, from Rev Pat

DIARY DATES

9.00am - Sundays second and fourth Sundays Eucharist at Holy Trinity

9.00am - First and third Sundays Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity

10.00am - Friday Eucharist at Holy Trinity

11.00am - Friday Extended Eucharist at MPS or Hostel alternating.

2.00pm-3.00pm Saturday June 12 Holy Trinity will be open for CWA History weekend. The CWA is having a History weekend Saturday June 12 and Sunday June 13 and they hope people will bring along any information or pictures of the old Merriwa Shire Area. They will have scones, soup, tea, coffee and toasties to purchase on

the day. A great day to discuss history and share stories at CWA.

Rev Pat Kirkby

Merriwa Rotary

The end of the Rotary year is quickly approaching. In early July, our current President Col Bates will hand over leadership of the club to Robert Goodear.

The last major event on the calendar will be our club's catering effort at the sale at 145 Depot Road on Saturday June 19. It will be a big sale and promises to be a long day and so, we give another reminder that Merriwa Rotary will be on lunchtime barbecue duties. The food will be good. Another positive is that all profits on the catering will be used to assist our club's efforts in our district.

THE END OF THE YEAR

It is the time, now, when our treasurer will do his sums and advise the club on what we have available to distribute to worthy causes, mainly in our town and district.

Some of the events which we traditionally use for fundraising, have not taken place because of the Covid 19 restrictions. However, it is expected that significant funds will still be available.

Keep watching the Ringer for a report.

Mark Smith

Ringer Deadline!

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Community Notice Board

Well Done

Congratulations to all the students that have been working hard at school and have received awards lately.

Also wanting to mention the great broadcast that Ray Hadley put across the radio for the late Robert 'Bob' Fulton.

Hylt Cronin

St David's Uniting Church

PIE DRIVE

Orders have closed but if anyone has missed a sheet or has forgotten to order

we do order extras, but to be surer of receiving the goods of your choice, please call Barbara on 6548 5131 or 0428 485 131 and we can place you on our list.

Delivery Day: Tuesday June 22, 2021

Orders can be collected from 10.00am - 3.00pm

Place: St David's Uniting Church Cnr Mackenie and Vennacher Streets

If anyone has difficulty with pick up time, contact Barbara on the above numbers and we can make arrangements.

Barbara Campbell

MERRIWA HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Thank you to everyone who supported our Street Stall last Friday, it was very much appreciated.

Raffle was won by Tania Walden

100 CLUB

First Beatrice Voysey

Second Nerida Bailey

Third Adele Fear

Merriwa is small town that gives so willingly when asked to do so on a regular basis, we can't thank you enough.

Robyn McAlister

Merriwa District Progress Association

WHAT'S ON IN MERRIWA?

The Merriwa District Progress Association (MDPA) would like to encourage businesses, residents, sporting associations and community groups to post their upcoming events, meetings and matches on the community calendar hosted on the Merriwa Portal website entitled WHAT'S ON IN MERRIWA?

Coordination of local events and gatherings will help to avoid clashes with other events on the same day. It will also allow attendees and spectators to plan their movements in advance so they are free to attend.

Many events are scheduled more than twelve months in advance, and can therefore be posted early (eg: Merriwa Show, Festival of the Fleeces, Merriwa Races, etc). Also, regular meetings of organisations (such as Rotary, Progress Association, etc) can appear on the calendar. The same applies to sporting matches and the like once the draws have been determined.

Organisations can have their important dates posted to WHAT'S ON IN MERRIWA by emailing full details to: merriwaportal@gmail.com.

The Merriwa Community Calendar is at: <https://merriwa.nsw.au/merriwa-calendar/>

Stephen Gowlland

Community Notice Board

Biggest Morning Tea

Cassilis Public school will be hosting a Biggest Morning tea to share with the community. Please feel free to come along and bring a plate of food to share.

When: Wednesday June 23

Time: 10.00am

Please RSVP by June 21 to 63761009.

Cassilis Public School

Upper Hunter Community and Youth Development and Support Services

We are running another online Youth MHFA Refresher course on Monday June 21 from 9.00am-1.00pm.

Throughout this course, you will:

- Gain an understanding of the latest research in the mental health field
- Learn the 3 key actions for helping someone feeling suicidal
- Work through complex mental health first aid interactions
- Practice mental health first aid skills

NOTE: To be eligible, participants need to have completed the full 14-hour Youth MHFA course within the last three years

Register via the link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/youth-mhfa-refresher-tickets-155902750323>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch!

Stella Ladikos Julia Hardy



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Community Notice Board

RSL Sub Branch

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A message to all RSL Sub Branch Members.

Our next meeting will be on July 11, at 10.30am to co-inside with the RSL Clubs Annual General Meeting.

We would like all members to attend if possible.

Bob Baihn

Merriwa CWA

CWA EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

The Hunter River Group of the Country Women's Association has available the following Grants:

1. The Hunter River Group Educational Grant valued at \$500.00, for a student entering Tertiary Educational in 2022, whether it be for University, TAFE, or College
2. The Jean Latham Educational Grant valued at \$300.00. This grant is available for Year 11 students entering Year 12 in 2022 and reside in the bounds of the Hunter River Group.

To be eligible the student must meet the following criteria:

- Reside within the bounds of the Hunter River Group
- Demonstrate a need for financial assistance.

Mature students may apply.

Every application will remain confidential.

Applications should be returned to the branch secretary by September 30, 2021.

Robyn McAlister

Notice of Passing

STEPHEN STEWART

It is with great sadness to advise that our darling Dad, Stephen Stewart, formerly of Giants Creek Road, Sandy Hollow, passed away June 1, 2021. Words cannot express the heartache we feel at the loss of him.

Kate Chaplin

Merriwa Senior Citizens Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our next meeting and Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday June 22 at 11.30am.

Subs are due (\$5.00).

Raffle for a \$30.00 voucher to be won.

Please bring a plate to share for lunch in the Squatters' room of the club.

Thank you.

Mary O'Neill

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OUTBACK MAGAZINE

- Escape to the country; more people in the bush are staying put and Covid weary urbanites are being drawn to evolving regional economies.
- Border Lines; although they're lines drawn in the sand, often right through communities, the past year has shown that our borders, state and national carry a lot of weight particularly for those who live and work on them
- Back to the future; a scientist- farmer has come full circle on his Tasmanian family farm, turning away from diversification to embrace what he calls 'bread and butter' farming
- Chandeliers and camp ovens; an innovative Kimberley couple has created a dining experience that combines camp ovens, gourmet dining, bush tucker and a view over Lake Argyle.

HUNTER AND COASTAL LIFESTYLE

- Discover local; an insiders' guide to vibrant Dungog, discover wild & wonderful Wollombi and find out about Fort Scratchley's rich history
- Finding life in all it's fullness; when a small local charity started a free weekly meal for people in need, they did not realise they were starting something big that pays forward in many many ways.
- Special feature; Artisan Distilleries, one of a kind spirits.

WHEELS MAGAZINE

- Exclusive; Mach 1 Australia's hardest track test proves Mustang has finally earned it's spurs!
- Going the distance; will EV batteries really last the life of the car? What happens when they wear out? All of your questions answered.

- Driven/ Tested; BMW M3 Aussie test, Porsche 911 GT3, new Hyundai Tucson, Hyundai Venue v Kia Stonic v Mazda CX-3, Toyota GR Yaris Rallye & Dual-cab ute mega test!

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Leanne and Neville Hook and the newsXpress

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Our new season handbags and wallet are in store.

Di Inder

Upper Hunter Shire Council

MAY 2021 COUNCIL MEETING UPDATE

Draft Waste Management Strategy to go on display.

The Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 aims to establish Council's long-term goals with respect to waste and resource recovery and to enable Council to transition to a more sustainable waste management framework.

Council has endorsed to place the Waste Management Strategy 2021-2031 on display for a period of 28 days.

A consultant was engaged in 2020 to assist with key elements in the report, carrying out site visits, review of current and historical waste management practices, conducted surveys and workshops to provide further recommendations to Council.

Anyone wanting to view the draft strategy can find more information on the Council's website.

On-site Sewerage Management Strategy endorsed.

Council has resolved to implement an update of the Upper Hunter On-Site Sewage Management Strategy.

The strategy provides an integrated approach to on-site sewage management systems within a self-regulating framework of community education, local support services and environmental and public health protection.

The strategy will go on display for the next 28 days, for further information about where this can be viewed please go to our website.

The Stronger Country Communities Fund.

Council has endorsed four community projects to apply for against the \$839,201 allocated to the shire under The Stronger Country Communities Fund.

The projects are:

1. Resurfacing of courts at the Scone Tennis Association in Aberdeen Street and the construction of a new club house
2. The refurbishment of the Scone Memorial Swimming Pool change room and office facilities
3. Fully fencing the Wilson Memorial Oval at Murrurundi

4. Refurbishment of change facilities at Merriwa Olympic Pool.

DONATIONS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS AND SCHOOLS

Council has approved \$250 each towards the following donations:

- St Mary's Primary School for a donation towards player fees for their Charity Golf Day
- Veteran Motorcycle Club NSW for donation towards promoting their Memorial Day Service in August 2021
- Rotary Club of Merriwa for a donation to waive fees for the hire of the Merriwa Showgrounds to host the Variety Bash on 15 November 2020
- Muswellbrook & Upper Hunter Eisteddfod for a donation for sponsorship of the 2021 event
- Belltrees Public School for donation of portable toilets to host Variety Bash Luncheon on Friday 21 May 2021
- Koori Kids for a financial partnership for NAIDOC Week 2021 School Initiatives
- Professional Farriers Association donation towards waiving the fees for the National Titles in May.

TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP FOR CHILDCARE SERVICE

Council has endorsed a proposal to transfer the ownership of Scone Out of School Hours (SOOSH) to St Nicholas OOSH. Council staff sought consultation with staff, families and local residents. The transfer will take place in July.

TENDER ACCEPTED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CAMERON BRIDGE

Council has accepted a tender from Saunders Civilbuild Pty Ltd for design and construction for the replacement of Cameron Bridge for the total lump sum of \$1,906,952 excluding GST. The tender is subject to a financial capacity report.

For more Information visit, upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

MERRIWA AND CASSILIS WORKS SCHEDULE

The following construction and maintenance works are happening in Merriwa and Cassilis this week.

- Toilets, garbage
- Parks, sports fields and reserves mowing and maintenance
- Public toilet maintenance

- Bunnan Bridge to Kars Springs construction works
- Bettington Street footpath finalisation of ongoing works
- Cassilis Community Hall asbestos removal
- Driver Reviver ongoing works
- Regional roads, heavy patching.
- Action requests as required

The following roads are to be inspected next for the grading/maintenance program:

- Pembroke Road

Hannah White

RM Property and Livestock

At RM Property and Livestock we are urgently looking for new listings! The "SOLD" stickers have been going up regularly around town and we have a steady stream of solid enquiries still happening! If you are thinking about listing your property but do not know where to start, why not give us a call? We would be only too happy to come to you and help you with the process.

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Megan Moore

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Position Vacant

Caravan Park Attendant Casual opportunities available Merriwa

Council is seeking highly motivated individuals to undertake the role of Caravan Park Attendant in Merriwa on a casual basis. The Caravan Park Attendants will manage and maintain the Merriwa Caravan Park in a clean, tidy, presentable condition and to liaise with and assist customers to the park.

Applications close: 4pm, Monday 21 June 2021.




Enquiries: Rebecca Morrison, Tourism & Events Coordinator on 02 6540 1300.

Apply online at
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MAC Winter Holidays 2021

Monday 28th June	Tuesday 29th June	Wednesday 30 June	Thursday 1st July	Friday 2nd July
Aussie	Outback	Reef	BIG Things	Music
Breakfast (for those in extended care) Choice of cereal or toast, milk or fruit juice and piece of fruit.				
Morning Tea				
Flag Biscuits	Damper and Golden Syrup		Banana Bread	Microphone cupcakes
Dot Painting 	Making our own yummy Wombat Stew out of sticks and Mud	Hunter Valley Gardens \$20	Big sized games 	Musical lamington eating Competition
Lunch				
Vegemite sandwich and Meat pies	Sausage sizzle 		Mini Pizza	Quiche 
How the birds got their colours art	Sand globes	Hunter Valley Gardens (if we get enough Children.)	Merriwa's own "Big things" Box Sculpture	Australian Dance Party
Afternoon Tea				
Aussie Favourites	Witchetty grub and puff pastry. 		Big Pineapple, Big apple, Big Mandarin fruit platter	Tasting Platter
Wear your brightest and most colourful clothes.		Please bring plenty of warm clothes to keep warm and dry.	BIG Pyjama Party, Come dressed in your PJs for the day	Get your groove on and dress for a dance
				
Fruit	Vegetables/legumes	Protein	Dairy	Grain
Treat				

MAC Autumn Holidays 2021

Monday 5th July	Tuesday 6th July	Wednesday 7th July	Thursday 8th July	Friday 9th July
Food	Explorer	Bush	Capital	Aussie
Breakfast (for those in extended care) Choice of cereal or toast, milk or fruit juice and piece of fruit.				
Morning Tea				
Fruit Kebab	Weetbix slice	Vegemite sandwich	Jelly Cups	Flag Biscuits
Name that Australian Food! 	Explore the Merriwa River Geocache	Trip to Rockridge (Private Car)	Virtual tours of Canberra	Trivia Game Show 
Lunch				
Meat pie and Chips	quiche 	Great Aussie BBQ Lunch	Pizza Face	Sandwiches
SAO Competition 	North, South, East and West , Navigation and Maps	Bush skills	Tallest flag pole build.	Paper Plane Comp.
Afternoon Tea				
Possum magics food fair 	Scones with Jam and Cream	Damper and marshmallows	High tea 	Tasting Platter 
				
Fruit	Vegetables/legumes	Protein	Dairy	Grain
Treat				

FREE workshops for parents and supervisors of learner drivers

Tuesday 22nd of June, 5.30pm at
Merriwa Library, (34-40 Vennacher Street)

The two-hour session will offer practical advice about:

- current driving rules and requirements for L and P platers
- how learners benefit from supervised on-road driving
- how you can help make learning to drive a safe and positive experience.

Refreshments provided

For more information about the workshop,
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Catholic Parish Merriwa & Cassilis

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Arts, Crafts, Farm Produce!

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9.30am-2.30pm

MEN'S SHED:

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10.00am onwards

President: E Shipway
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Meets Second Monday
of the month
10.00am
CWA Rooms
159 Bettington Street

Visitors and new members are always welcome

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Sat

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Groups

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 Monday – Friday 8.00am – 6.00pm
Merriwa
 Cnr Brisbane and MacKenzie Streets
Denman
 51 – 53 Ogilvie Street
 For appointments please phone 6532 5013

MERRIWA & DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

2020/21 starts Oct 12!
 Tots (3 & 4 yrs) to u/17 yrs
Mondays 5.30 to 6.30ish
 at Merriwa No. 2 Oval
 (season ends 22 February)
New Members Welcome
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 Dine in or take away



Rotary Club of Merriwa Inc
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Meets each Tuesday at the Merriwa Sports Club
7.00pm for 7.30pm
 4 x 4m Marquee for Hire
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Merriwa Magpies
 Rugby League Football Club
Merriwa Rugby League Football Club
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2021 Merriwa Springtime Show
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MERRIWA
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 Lunch & Dinner 7 days
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Shooting weekends 2nd and 4th weekend of the month



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Season starts Term 4




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Merriwa Swimming Club
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BBQ area and Kids Play area

Friday
 Raffles and 3 Members Badge Draws
Sunday
 Raffles
 Members Badge Draw between 11.30am & 1.30pm

Club: 6548 2157
Bistro: 6548 2295
 For the information of members and their guests.



MERRIWA JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB
Magpies
 EST 1968
President Bernard Constable
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MERRIWA RACES
April 23, 2022
 Race Club President - Paul Frampton
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 Visit www.merriwaraceclub.com.au

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MERRIWA DISTRICT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
 Get involved in influencing decisions on matters that affect the whole local community
 Meets on Third Wednesday every month at 6.00pm Merriwa RSL
merriwaprogress@gmail.com



Clubs/Sports Merriwa RSL Club

The Friday night Members Lucky Badge 7.00pm draw for \$580.00 was not won the number was 369, this week it jackpots to \$600.00.

The 8.30pm Members Badge draw worth \$700.00 was not won the number was 144, this week it jackpots to \$750.00.

The 9.00pm Members Badge draw for \$240.00 was not won the number was 387, this week it jackpots to \$260.00. LTPS/19/36118

The Sunday Members Badge Draw for \$650.00 was not won last week the number was 134, this week it jackpots to \$700.00 and will be drawn between 11.30am and 1.30pm and you must be present to win the money. LTP/19/36118

Members must be present to claim any of the draws and present their current membership card upon request. It is an offence to NOT have your membership card on your person when on the premises.

Wednesday Nights from 6.00pm - \$6.00 PINTS. – For every pint sold between February and June 30 the RSL Club will be donating \$1.00 to help with Miranda Boland's recovery, and after three months we have donated \$1199.00.

Saturday nights – free juke box, pool comp \$100.00 first prize, \$5.00 schooners and House spirits. From 6.00pm till 10.00pm.

Courtesy Bus – the clubs courtesy bus if available for pickups on Friday's from 5.30pm (you must book by ringing club), with drop offs at 9.15pm, 10.00pm and 11.30pm.

HAPPY HOURS

Friday 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Saturday 6.00pm to 10pm

Sunday 11.30am to 12.30pm

Bistro hours – lunch Thursday – Sunday 12/2.00pm, Dinner Monday – Thursday 5.30/7.30pm Friday – Saturday 5.30/8.00pm.

Matt Morgan

Merriwa Sports Club

STATE OF ORIGIN

What's better than a good game of State of Origin? Origin on the BIG SCREEN, hot dogs and the chance to win money! The Merriwa Sports Club will be playing the game on the big screen and will be supplying hot dogs. Doubles are also on sale for \$1.00, match the two first try scorers and you win \$100.00.

SATURDAY NIGHT RAFFLES

Come along and enjoy our Saturday night raffles, ten meat trays and five fruit and veg trays up for grabs. The trays are looking amazing, thanks to Merriwa IGA and Max's Country Cuts. Raffle begins at 7.30pm. The members draw was drawn on Saturday night, member number 64 was not present so the badge draw jackpots to \$650.00 this week. Drawn anytime between 6.30 and 8.30 pm, you must be there to win.

HAPPY HOURS

Friday 5.00-7.00pm

Saturday - ALL DAY! That's right, all day happy hours. \$5.00 schooners, house spirits and wine. ALL Day. Happy Satdy everyone.

THURSDAY NIGHT POOL AND DARTS

We have had a great few weeks of darts, with a new winner every week. Join us for pool and darts on Thursday nights. Names in by 6.00pm. \$5.00 entry for each competition, winner takes all.

CLUBS OPENING HOURS

Mondays to Friday 3.30pm to close
Saturdays to Sundays 12.00pm to close

HONKI HAUS RESAURANT

Honki Haus now doing lunch time specials on a weekend. Come on in for a delicious meal, whether it's for lunch or dinner. Honki Haus Restaurant closed Mondays and Tuesdays. Open for dinner Wednesday to Saturday 4.30pm to 8.00pm. Sunday dinners 4.30pm to 7.00pm. Open for lunch Saturday and Sunday 12noon to 2.00pm.

For bookings and take away – 0460 817 606.

DRAG SHOW

CanAssist will be hosting a Drag Show on July 17, starting at 5.30pm. Tickets are \$50.00, this includes a two course meal, provided by

Eat@153, and a fabulous show. There will be games, prizes and a lot of fun. All money raised will go directly to CanAssist Merriwa. Book your table of eight today, tickets are selling fast!

2021/22 MEMBERSHIPS

Membership renewals for 2021/22 have been sent out, keep an eye in the post for your renewal. From July 1 the 2021/22 member numbers will be used for our members draw so make sure you remember to renew for you chance to win!

Brendan Cowell

MERRIWA WOMENS BOWLING CLUB

Mixed and Mufti Friendship Day at Merriwa on Wednesday June 16, 2021. Morning Tea 9.30am with Play beginning at 10.00am.

Please leave name on the board at the Sports Club or to Loretta Cooper on 0428 482 679 by June 11, 2021.

Loretta Copper

Merriwa Rugby League Football Club

Round 5, our last home game. Merriwa v Singleton in the Monarch Blues Tag. We went okay, I think we could have definitely come away with a higher score, but we did end up winning in a close game 12-10.

Good work, girls.

Players Player: Shai Blackadder

In the Reserve Grade, the first half looked like it could go either way, 10-10 at half time. The boys decided to kick into another gear and played great, with lots of cheering from the crowd.

Score 40-16

Great work, Boys

Players Player: Seth Morgan

ROUND 6

This week, Reserve Grade played in Muswellbrook on Saturday. The game was called off with 20 minutes left, with Merriwa scoring a whopping 60 points to nil on Muswellbrook. The new mercy rule, only allows 60 points differential to be put on another team. Who knows how many more points Merriwa could got. Well done boys.

Players Player: Austin (Bob) Burgess

In the Monarch Blues Tag, Merriwa travelled to Singleton on Sunday. We started well, leading 8-0, our defence and attack was good, unfortunately we didn't play the whole game like we can, go down to Singleton, 22-8. Bad luck, girls

Players Players': Stacy Wilson and Shai Blackadder

We don't play this weekend.

Round 7 is on Sunday June 27 at Aberdeen. Monarch Blues at 10.20am and Reserve Grade at 12.30pm.

Let's go Magpies

Jessyca Morgan

Merriwa Junior Rugby League Football Club

Last Friday our Girls League Tag teams hosted Round 7! The girls all showed some real improvement from the week before and several players really shone through making some excellent tags and passes and even scoring some great tries!

We still had a number of girls out from Injury which does make it a little harder as it leaves the bench short with subs but regardless of what set backs the girls face they never give up. Playing the best they can all the way to the final whistle.

Well done Girls.

Saturday morning kicked off in Scone with a nice early 8.30am start for our U/6's White and our U/7's teams. The weather was very kind to our magpies, the sun was shining and all the teams played really well. It is great to see the kids out on the field each week with smiles on their faces and enjoying their footy.

Our U/6's Black team and our U/11's ended up with a bye last weekend so will be looking forward to getting back out on the field this weekend.

Thank you to our wonderful committee, volunteers, coaches, League safe, team managers, parents and most importantly our invaluable sponsors.

Have fun Magpies,

Play hard but always play fair.



**Brooke Marchese
and Amanda
Tudor**

U/6'S BLACK

U/6's Black had a bye.

UNDER 6'S WHITE

Merriwa blacks had a bye week this however Merriwa whites poached a few

of their players due to having a few unavailable. They all played exceptionally well with the standout being their tackling.

Cassilis Park player of the week went to Liam Hackett who played well and tried his heart out with a smile always on his face.

UNDER 7'S

Under 7's last week had a nice early start at scone with our game kicking off at 8.30am. The kids were eager to get out on the field and get the game started. All the kids played so well and showed some great tackling skills which they have been working on at training. The teams skills and confidence is growing by the week.

The Craig MacPherson Haulage player of the week went to Ryder Rawlings.



UNDER 9'S

Tough game for the Under 9's with 2 tries going to Hudson and Aubree and one each to Archy, Morgan and Logan.

The Cory and David Vero player of the week went to Connor mead for his awesome tackling skills.



UNDER 11'S

U/11's had a bye.

GIRLS LEAGUE TAG

UNDER 12'S

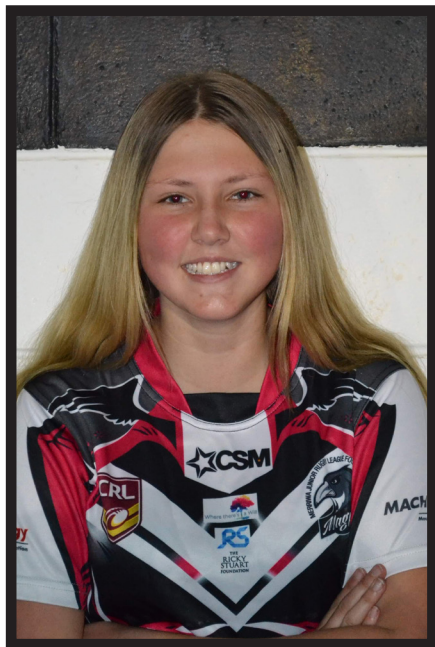
Friday night the Merriwa Junior League Tag Girls grades all played Singleton at Merriwa. Unfortunately the Under 12's were defeated, but



not without holding their own. There were many s t a n d o u t performances from The Magpie sisters and as the season moves on, each week the girls appear to be having more fun. Also a big Thankyou to Lachlan for stepping in for

Phil Cousins
The WelderUp Player of the Week went to
Cadence Tudor

The Merriwa Engineering player of the Week went to Alyssa Carrall.



Friday night saw the U16s girls face a strong top of the table Singleton side. The girls showed massive improvements from the week before, but it was still not enough to topple their opposition. Final score 38-20, Brooklyn Blackadder three tries, Josie Porter one try and two conversions.



Lachlan Vaughan

1. Using a board in the ocean.
3. What sport uses a _____ ball to get strikes and spares?
6. Water and bathing suit.
9. Yards, running and touch down.
10. Bat, ball and mitts.
11. Running, jumping, hoop and ball.
12. Ice, puck and stick.
14. Fighting with gloves on.

Hunter Local Land Services Community Conversations Around Local Emergency Planning

You asked and we delivered!



Our drought Farm Family Gatherings highlighted the need for first aid training and local skills in preparation for drought, bushfire and natural disaster events. Hunter Local Land Services, in partnership with your local emergency services and National Recovery and Resilience Agency are opening the conversation around these critical issues often left in the 'too hard basket'. We are inviting you to a FREE community BBQ to meet your local emergency first responders and decision makers, gather essential resources to assist with your planning, and become familiar with local emergency issues.

If these questions are parked in your 'too hard basket' then come along!



*Do you have first aid training?
Is the Emergency Plus App on your phone?
Are you prepared with a bushfire plan?
What will you do with your animals in an emergency?
Where is your Neighbourhood Safer Place?
Does your community have a defibrillator?
Is your property clearly identified?*

Date: Wednesday 16 June 2021

Time: Drop in 4:00pm - 6:00pm with a BBQ Dinner

Location: Cassilis Bowling Club

THIS EVENT IS COVID-19 SAFE.

Numbers are limited due to COVID-19 restrictions. All confirmed participants will be required to register and must not attend if they have any symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, shortness or breath, or loss of taste or smell.

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Elders Merriwa

MINI FIELD DAY

8.30am - 3.30pm

Talk to industry experts in animal health, fencing, insurance, pasture/cropping plus much more & enjoy end of financial year specials!

17
JUNE

2021



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A Walk Down Memory Lane

WITH JAMES CONSTABLE

introducing fine cattle to the district.

William made headlines as the owner of a place on the Bogan river. There was a dispute between his men and the Aborigines during the drought over water. Many of Lee's men in the party were killed by the indigenous inhabitants, the police were called and there was a massacre of Aboriginal people. This put William in conflict with Governor Sir George Gipps, who held him morally responsible and stripped the landholder of his Bogan land licence. It was this conflict which led William Lee to enter into politics, where he became the member for the Bathurst based seat of Roxburgh. He died 18th November 1870, aged 76 years.

Information from the book "The Blaxland Family in the Upper Hunter" by Elvin Andrews.

The book, "The Brindley Bettingtons No Boundaries" by Brice Stokes.

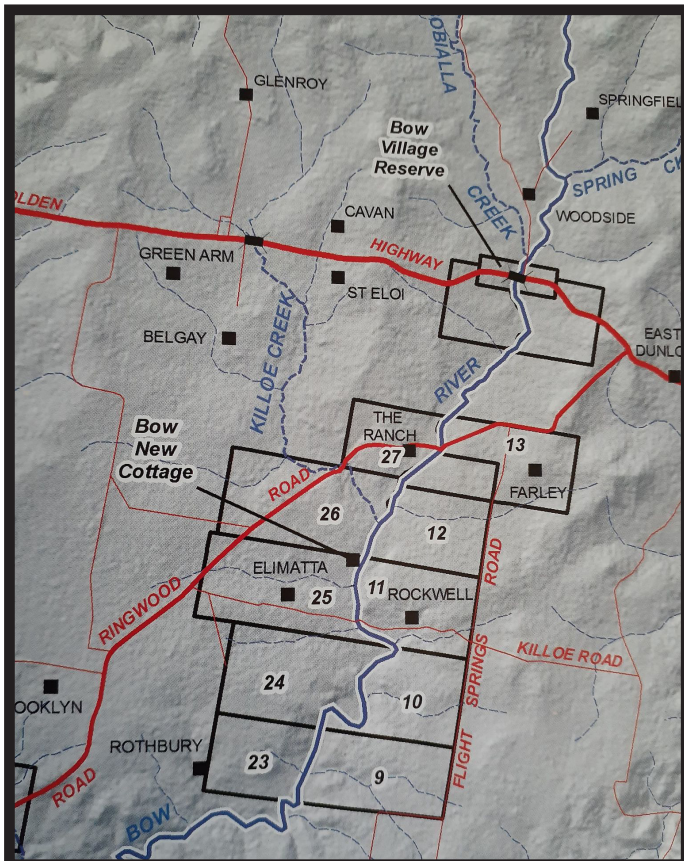
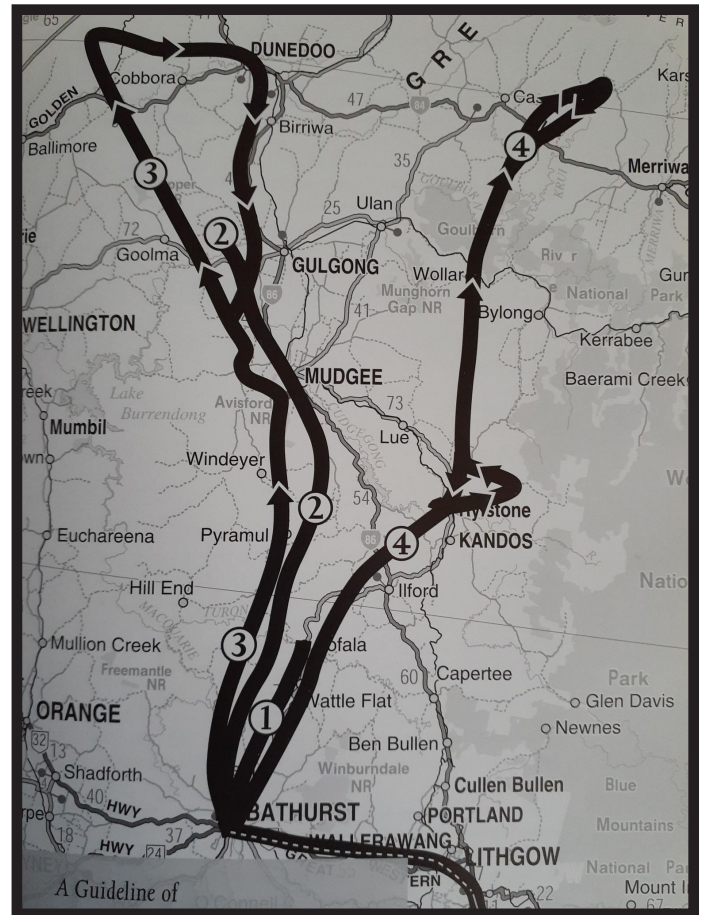
Further information sourced from Google.

Photo 1- William Lee

Photo 2 - shows expedition no 3 which Lee accompanied Lawson

Photo 3 - shows Lee's Pinch and Bow Plains

Photo 4 - shows areas held by William Lee



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by Mondays, at 12.00 noon



St Joseph's Primary School Merriwa P&F Association presents

2021 Junior Campdraft & Fete

Saturday 26th June - Merriwa Showground



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2nd prize: Trailer load fire wood

3rd prize: Nespresso Essenza Mini Coffee Machine

4th: Picnic Hamper

5th: Family pass Australian Maritime Museum

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