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## Gwen celebrates her 100th birthday

On 29 January 1923, Gwen Steel arrived into the world in a small hospital just below West End store in Walcha.

Sunday marked her entry into triple figures, with Gwen surrounded by family and friends for the luncheon at her son Stephen and Diana Lisle's home to celebrate her 100th birthday. "I had most of my family with me, and someone from every organisation I have ever worked with," Gwen commented.

The celebrations continued on Monday at Riverview where residents celebrated with Gwen, giving her a beautiful crystal vase and cake for morning tea. Gwen was thrilled to receive many congratulatory letters and cards including one from King Charles III and Queen Consort Camilla to congratulate her on her birthday.

"I started school when I was four at the Nine Mile Church School. We had school lessons in the Church," Gwen said. When she was in second class she transferred to Walcha Primary School. "I lived with my grandparents in town, so that I could go to school because it was too far to come in each day otherwise."

Following Primary School Gwen went to Armidale High for three years before moving to Pymble Ladies College. Gwen received a congratulatory card from the Pymble Ladies College School Principal last week.

Gwen started nursing at Royal North Shore Hospital following school and really loved it. "My brother Robert was 19 years younger than me, so I came home to help mum out when he was born and didn't go back to nursing," Gwen said.

In time Gwen found herself back in Sydney as the private secretary to Dentist Harold Marks. However, rheumatic fever ended up being a blessing in disguise as she returned home from Sydney to recuperate and ended up marrying a local boy, Bill Lisle!

They had two sons, Stephen and Anthony; two grandsons Andrew and Rohan, and a great grandson Jackson, pictured above with Gwen. "We can't seem to get a girl," Gwen laughed.



She has thoroughly enjoyed her life, being very involved in many facets of the community. "I was the Zone representative for Red Cross for many years, as well as being a patroness of the Walcha CWA, Walcha Garden Club and Presbyterian Womens Association, who all had representatives at her birthday lunch.

Still a very vibrant lady, Gwen was extremely grateful to both her family and residents of Apsley Riverview Hostel for making her 100th birthday such a special occasion. "I had relatives travel from Launceston, Sydney, Port Macquarie and Warren. I was so pleased to see everyone." And from all accounts many fun times were re-lived, especially roller skating down the shutes of the shearing shed at 'Hartford'!



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## around the traps



By SIMON NEWTON

Monday afternoon was probably one of the best falls of rain we have received since Spring and a timely follow-up to recent storms. We had Summer-like temperatures last week when it made it into the low thirties, before some intense storms cooled down the evenings. If you managed to be under one of these storms you would have been lucky enough to get between 15 – 25mm last week and a further 25mm on Monday night. No doubt tractors will be working overtime planting ahead of another week of forecasted stormy, wet weather.

The rain will also give lamb producers a boost of confidence and show some resistance in a market that is gradually declining, especially for store lambs. The New England Tablelands is traditionally a large store lamb breeding area which supplies a large area of NSW producers west of the Dividing Range. Typically the phone would be ringing hot looking for lambs to put on lucerne and summer crops, but it has been really quiet thus far. We really need a widespread front to drop a few inches of rain across NSW to get the lamb fatteners firing again. While ever we're getting rain we can show some resistance to the lamb market as it gives us feed that other areas don't have. Another thought is to shear your store lambs, it may not give you a better price for your sale, but it will make you one.

Rams Sales are in full swing with a number of sales completed last week. Clearance rates and sale averages have been back on previous years, but there is still plenty of interest. The Merino sales look to be less affected by the downturn in value in the mutton and lamb market compared to the terminal sire sales. If you're in the market for a ram, whether that's a merino or terminal ram, there are still a number of local sales at which I'm sure you'll find a suitable purchase for your flock.

There is no doubt the horse industry is in great shape. The annual Magic Millions thoroughbred sale sold 782 horses from 874 catalogued for a whopping \$294,386 average, topping at \$2.7 million. The annual Nutrien Classic sale in Tamworth will see around 650 Australian stock horses and Quarter horses go under the hammer this weekend after a full week of campdraft competition. The values that people will be paying for a horse won't be anything like the Magic Millions, it's a hobby for them and it will be interesting to see if any horse can exceed last year's top seller at \$550,000 for a mare.

Tamworth yarded just 512 cattle on Monday in what has been described as a firm to dearer market due to the low number of cattle yarded. All categories saw small rises; cows saw the biggest increase by 10c/kg and sold to a top of 300c/kg. Wagga yarded 1,500 cattle with lightweight steers, feeder steers and heavy cattle suitable to process all seeing price increases. Feeder steer sold to 414c/kg, heavy bullocks out to 372c/kg while cows topped at 310c/kg. The Tamworth sheep and lamb market yarded 4,000 head with stores selling to a cheaper trend of \$70 – \$90/hd, mutton down \$5-10/hd on the previous week.

The annual Walcha Races are set to run this Friday 3 February which is always a great day out for the local community. Saturday is a real family day, with a foot race on the cards for the kids – make sure you all head along and support this local event.

## thumbs



- ✎ To Jim Nivison for all the work he does for the Races and at the racecourse.
- ✎ To owners of dogs walking on the footpaths who don't pick up their mess. We don't want to step in it, so please carry a bag with you.
- ✎ To the confusing speed limit signage on the Walcha to Uralla Road!! How is anyone meant to know how fast they should be travelling?
- ✎ To the state of Aberbaldie Road.

**Contributions will be received in person, by phone or email and must be accompanied by your name and contact details. They will be printed at the discretion of the editor.**



# Walcha Races this weekend!

## From Jim Nivison, President

The Walcha Cup race meeting will take place this Friday and Saturday at the picturesque Walcha racecourse. The racecourse and surrounds look fantastic thanks to the hard work of the committee, a special mention to Bill Fletcher and Brian Hoad for the huge hours that they have put in over the last couple of months.

The Walcha Jockey Club and Walcha Races Social committees are confident of a huge two-day carnival. If the weather gods are favourable this week the track should be in ideal condition for a competitive meeting.

Racing NSW has allocated Walcha a Showcase meeting which offers increased prizemoney with a total pool of \$285,000 on Friday. We should see some quality fields for our eight races on Friday with this increased prizemoney.

Long term supporters of the meeting, Elders Rural Services, have remained the 2023 Walcha Cup sponsors, the prize money for the cup is \$45,000 which is remarkable for a once-a-year race club. The prestigious Ron Martin Memorial Maiden Handicap will be sponsored again this year by Martin's Lime, with the trophies kindly donated by the Martin family. Prize money for this event is \$40,000 which makes it one of the richest maidens in the region. Thank you to all our valuable sponsors as without their support the club would not be able to have such a two day carnival.

The Walcha Carrying Company Fashions in the Field event at the races will again be the social highlight of Friday's race day. There are some fantastic prizes for both the ladies and gents, with Best Dressed Lady and Runner Up, as well as Best Dressed Gent and Runner Up to be awarded on the hill during the afternoon. Judges will be in the crowd from 2pm to 3pm handing cards to finalists, so dress up if you would like to be in contention.

Also there is Friends and Members Marquee with fantastic catering

by Swan Fine Foods. Tickets are \$110 and include a private marquee area, delicious lunch, drink on arrival, undercover cocktail seating, live TV broadcast and a race book. This is the perfect way to kick off the year with friends, with tickets for the marquee only available online at [walchacup2023.eventbrite.com.au](https://www.walchacup2023.eventbrite.com.au)

The Lions Club will operate the bar and Rotary are again serving the patrons with their delicious steak sandwiches and other culinary delights. Saturday will see the popular foot race, with kids races down the track again this year. The kids will line up at 12.30pm for their races, and the One Mile foot race will go under the starter's gun after the first horse race. Thanks to Lance Partridge and Steven Eveleigh for organising this, and to Betts Transport for their generous sponsorship.

The Walcha Jockey Club committee is excited about hosting the 2023 race meeting as it is such a major event on the town's calendar.

Finally, I would like to thank the committee for its time and commitment to the club. The committee looks forward to seeing the people of Walcha at the course to support our meeting, as we are sure you will all have a fantastic time.

Nominations are fantastic with 151 on Friday and 70 on Saturday. Trainers from all over NSW have nominated horses. Horses will travel from Newcastle, Central Coast, Mid North Coast, Far North Coast, Hunter, Central West and North West regions. This is a testament to the great prize money and the superb track surface that trainers are willing to travel long distances to Walcha to attend the annual meeting.

General admission tickets will be available at the gate both days, and entry is free for children on Saturday. However, if you would like to save time at the gate and assist with catering, the committee recommends purchasing tickets online at [walchacup2023.eventbrite.com.au](https://www.walchacup2023.eventbrite.com.au)

**See page 7 for information on Walcha Races annual Foot Race.**

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# 2023 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS



A huge crowd gathered at McHattan Park to celebrate Australia Day. The theme this year was *'We're all part of the story'*, with Australia Day Ambassador Jacinta Tynan encouraging us all to find time to give back to our community. "We are very lucky in this country, and it is vital we mentor the young and give back. We all have spare time," she said. "If we help others it gives our life a sense of purpose."

Jacinta has been an Ambassador for 14 years on and off and loves to escape Sydney and get a taste of the community spirit in the country as a part of the program. "This is very rare in the city and I really enjoy getting to know members of the community as an

Australia Day Ambassador."

Member for Northern Tablelands, Adam Marshall re-iterated Jacinta's comments. "One in three people living in Australia now were not born here. This is a great endorsement of how great our country is, that they have chosen to come and live here."

*Pictured above from left to right: Jasmine Lynch, Mayor Eric Noakes, Kim Barnett, Australia Day Ambassador Jacinta Tynan, Andy Burwell, Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall, Karen Barnes, seated Wally Foster, Austin Scrivener, Bill Heazlett and Blaine Cooney.*



## Citizen of the Year Bill Heazlett

Bill has been an active and helpful community member for almost 60 years. Teacher at Walcha Central School over 30 years, a Councillor on Walcha Council of over 30 years and Mayor for 12 years. Committed to the Community, anyone over 40 in Walcha was mentored or taught by Bill. He has always put the community first in his dealings in Council and as Mayor of Walcha.

Bill has been on many volunteer Community Committees – Library, Historical Society, Community Consultative Committee, Australia Day Committee, involved in and supports the Walcha Golf Club. He regularly visits Walcha Hospital and Riverview to give comfort and support to the patients and residents.

A person who puts people first, shows selflessness, compassion, and empathy.



## Junior Citizen of the Year Jasmine Lynch

In February 2022 Jasmine decided to raise funds for sick kids as part of the 'Starlight Foundation's Super Swim Challenge'. She set herself an initial goal of swimming 28kms over 28 days and hoped to raise \$100. By the end of February, Jasmine had well and truly surpassed their goals. She swam 50kms over the 28 days and raised an impressive \$3,000 to help the Starlight Foundation bring happiness to the lives of sick kids and their families. Jasmine is a role model to young people in Walcha and is well respected by teachers and peers at Walcha Central School. Jasmine is a shining example of how a young person can achieve and surpass their goals when they put in the time, hard work and commitment required.



## Event of the Year Friends of Walcha Motorcycle Rally

The award this year went to an event that was supported by numerous volunteers, including those who worked on the advisory committee, local community members and volunteers from around the area. These friends assisted in providing the workforce to help reduce costs to Council who sponsored the event. In doing so they helped increase tourism for local businesses, showcased Walcha as a tourist destination and ensured the event ran smoothly. It's estimated that approximately 70 local community members as well as enthusiasts from other towns came together to support this event. Volunteers from the service clubs of Rotary, Lions and Quota, as well as other Walcha locals were involved in a number of activities. The event was successful, with lots of positive feedback and returned a profit to Council after only its second year of operation.





### Sportsperson of the Year Austin Scrivener

Nineteen year old axeman, Austin Scrivener, won numerous ribbons and attained several major achievements in 2022. These included selection in the Australian Under 21's Woodchopping Team, being named Captain of the NSW U21's Team for a second year running and a member of the winning North Coast Axemen's Assoc. team at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. He was awarded the Most Successful Axeman at the 2022 Sydney Royal and the Royal Queensland Show (Ekka), and was finalist in the Double Handed Sawing Championship with his brother Mitchell. While the majority of axemen only compete in several of the sport's disciplines, Austin competes in all five, his technique is near flawless and his enthusiasm for woodchopping is huge.

### Junior Sportsperson of the Year Blaine Cooney

Blaine's numerous sporting achievements include: **Swimming** – Walcha Central Junior Boys Champion, broke five records. PSSA Zone 10 year Boys 50m Freestyle, Junior Boys 50m Butterfly and 50m Breaststroke, and Open Boys 100m Freestyle. At the North West Regional Carnival Blaine competed in the Freestyle, Breaststroke, Butterfly, Backstroke and was a member of the Junior Boys Relay and from here attended the the region at State. **Athletics** – Walcha Central Junior Boys Champion, won the 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Discus and Shotput. Placed first at Zone in Shotput and Discus and continued his success placing first in these events at the North West Regional Carnival. At PSSA State Athletics he placed second in Discus and gained selection in the NSW team to compete at the School Sport Australia Track and Field Championships. Here he made the Discus final, placing eighth overall in Australia.

### Oldest Citizen Wally Foster

It was a great honour for the Walcha Australia Day committee to announce 101 year old Wally Foster as our oldest citizen. Congratulations Wally.



Pictured top left: Arizona, Stuart and Samantha Bayley. Top right: Brian and Ella Lynch. Bottom left: The Lions Club cooked up a storm. Right: As always, keeping the crowd entertained with poetry was Gordon Edmonds.

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# Foot Races for young and old this Saturday

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**Childrens Races:** start 12.30pm sharp  
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- Preschool 2 – 4 years boys and girls 25m dash.  
Participants may be accompanied by a parent
- Infants School 5 – 8 years boys and girls 50m dash
- Primary School 9 – 12 years boys and girls 100m
- Secondary (Pre-Open) 13 – 15 years boys and girls 100m

*NB: If a runner in the Secondary Pre-Open Sprint turns 15 years in the year of the race and are a local, they are eligible to also contest the Open Mile.*

The Open Foot Race will begin immediately after the first race this Saturday 4 February at the Walcha Racecourse. This will be after 2.00pm, with a definite time announced when the race times are known closer to the day.

Some participants so far are; Graeme Wall, Henry Williams, Ian Crawford, Sam Feltham, Tom and Jack Bullen, Lance Partridge and Steven Eveleigh. Taddy Macfarlane, Sam Payne, Murdoch Chawner and Tim Baumer are strong possibilities, with a few others out training. Stay tuned!

In the Ladies division Kirralee Murphy is the only entrant to date.

Don't worry if you haven't nominated yet as names will be accepted up to midday on Saturday. The foot race is open to all locals who turn 15 years of age in 2023, or older. To qualify as a local you must have lived in the district for three months. The mens' race is over 1600m and the ladies run 1500m.

Hopefully our previous race caller Andrew 'Coog' Cross will be on hand to call the race in his usual creative and humorous way.

It has been good to have the support of the Walcha Jockey Club and many thanks to Steve Eveleigh for his assistance in organising the foot race.

# Walcha Show floral workshop

As you are all aware the Walcha Show is fast approaching on the 10 and 11 March.

The Horticulture section is holding a 'Workshop Day' on the 11 February with Robyn Lyon being our mentor. If you are interested in attending please be in touch with Phyllis Hoy on 0439 310 844 OR email [phyllhoy@gmail.com](mailto:phyllhoy@gmail.com) for further details.

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# what's the goss



with AJ Cross

**Congratulations** to our Walcha Australia Day **'Citizen of the Year'** Bill Heazlett, a worthy winner after all the time and effort he has put into our community for many years. Bill was one of my teachers half a century ago and it would be interesting to know how many kids he taught during his lengthy teaching career in Walcha

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**Well done** also to **Junior Citizen of the Year, Jasmine Lynch, Senior Sportsperson Austin Scrivener** and **Junior Sportsperson Blaine Cooney** who were rewarded for their outstanding performances throughout the past year. A big pat on the back to the **'Friends of the Motor Cycle Rally'** who were judged community group of the year. Congratulations to former Walcha Resident Ellie Jarman on taking out the Manilla 'Young Citizen of the Year'.

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**Best of luck** to **Walcha Jockey Club** President Jim Nivison and his hard working committee preparing for their annual two day race meeting this weekend. Tickets can be purchased at the gate this year making it easier for those who have trouble going online. If you are going to have a punt hopefully you can back a winner or three but as the old saying goes - 'Gamble Responsibly'.

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**The Canberra Raiders** recently named their Harold Matthews training squad and one of the players on the list was Thomas Handsaker from the Goulburn Stockman Club. Young Tom is the son of Gary Handsaker who was a member of the Walcha Roos U/18 Premiership winning team that took out the Group 19 title in 1987. There will be little doubt that Tom's grandmother Sue Handsaker and his Great Uncle Allan Bull will be keeping an eye on how the youngsters career unfolds.

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**My much better half Linda** gifted me a razor for Christmas and up until recently I hadn't given it a maiden run. When I finally did use it I was thinking this has to be the smoothest razor I have ever experienced up until I noticed it wasn't removing much facial hair. That all changed when a blade was added which certainly improved the performance of the razor. Just remember I didn't have to tell you that but as I explained to editor Anthea, if you are going to give it to someone else, taking a bit back 'oneself' is a prerequisite.

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**Word has it that corner of Lagoon and North Street** resident Narelle Gehrke was in charge of looking after the pets belonging to her son Mark Swift and his family while they were away for a few days. No real dramas until it came to the goldfish and how much water they should have to drink. A quick phone to her husband Jimmy who suggested it probably wouldn't matter much as long as they had some H<sub>2</sub>O in the fish tank. Well enough to cover them over anyway.

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**At the end of last week** half a dozen Walcha golfers travelled to Tenterfield for their annual three days of golf commencing with a stableford round on Thursday played in conjunction with a skins competition. Perc Berry racked up 38 points to run out the winner and also collected some cash in the skins as did Billy Fletcher along with the ring-ins Bob Denniss and Dean Sharpe.

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**Fresh off a recent winning score** of 41 points here at home Willy Brennan didn't enjoy his first round where he managed to muster just 19 points. He did come good though to win on the third day with -3. Col Berry, Barry Hoad and Peter Norbury were the other three Walcha players.

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**The Tenterfield Show was on last weekend** and included a fireworks display which could be seen from the Golf Club where the boys were bunkered down. After a few beverages at the end of the day there were plenty of 'Oohs' and 'Aaahs' as the fireworks exploded, and although 'Granite' Norbury had viewed the display, when asked the next day if he enjoyed the light show he replied "What fireworks? I didn't see any fireworks" – or words to that effect.



## Walcha/Uralla v Guyra

### Walcha/Uralla Second Grade

B MOORE run out b C Patterson .....	27
D BOYD c Boney b C Patterson .....	34
C BOYD c Lenehan b T Chard .....	10
J GRILLS b T Chard .....	24
B MANSFIELD not out .....	1
Total 100. Extras 4. Bowling (overs/maidens/runs/wkts) C Patterson 9-1-5-1, A Pearson 3-0-23-0, T Chard 5-0-19-2.	

### Guyra

O KINNEN c Rafferty b Harper .....	7
A BONEY b Little .....	4
J VARCOE c? b Little .....	0
A CAMERON b Little .....	2
T CHARD b Chahal .....	19
A PEARSON c? b Chahal .....	21
J LENEHAN b Little .....	32
PAHOY c? b Harper .....	4
T LANDBOROUGH not out .....	0
C PATTERSON c Rafferty b Harper .....	0
I PEARSON c/b Harper .....	0
Total 99. Extras 10. S Little 7-1-12-4, M Harper 6-0-16-4, B Duncan 3-0-30-0, P Chahal 6-2-17-2, D Boyd 2-0-24-0.	

## Walcha/Uralla v Hillgrove

### Hillgrove

H EASTWOOD c Robertson b Duncan .....	19
D MOFFITT c Boyd b Little .....	6
J MARSHALL c Boyd b Harper .....	29
B HEAGNEY c/b Grills .....	22
P TOWNSEND c Robertson b Little .....	4
D WATERS c Mansfield b Grills .....	1
I GILPATHAGE c Boyd b Grills .....	7
C RAINGER c Rafferty b Grills .....	1
B PARSONA c Grills b Boyd .....	8
R HARRIS not out .....	2
P SINGH not out .....	0
Total 124. Extras 23. S Little 4-0-30-2, M Harper 4-1-12-1, Robinson 3-0-19-0, B Duncan 4-0-23-1, J Grills 4-0-38-4, D Boyd 1-0-1-1.	

### Walcha/Uralla

D BOYD c (wk) b Harris .....	7
S RAFFERTY b Harris .....	12
J GRILLS c Gilpathage b Sinna .....	19
B MOORE b Harris .....	5
C BOYD c (wk) b Harris .....	0
B MANSFIELD c Harris b Marshall .....	5
S LITTLE c (wk) b Harris .....	3
B DUNCAN c Eastwood b Sinna .....	0
M HARPER b Sinna .....	5
J ROBERTSON not out .....	6
Total 70. Extras 14. Bowling (overs/maidens/runs/wkts) R Harris 3-1-19-5, B Parsons 2-0-11-0, P Sinna 4-0-22-3, J Marshall 2-1-12-1, B Heagney 1-0-5-0.	

## Walcha/Uralla v Guyra 3rd Grade Final

### Walcha/Uralla

B JEX c (wk) b Lockyer .....	1
N SWAN run out Lockyer .....	9
C STODDART c? b Purvis .....	24
P MOONEY c? b Brown .....	15
J MCFARLANE lbw Brown .....	31
N ENDACOTT not out .....	1
M TASIK b Landsborough .....	4
C MORGAN run out .....	3
Total 102. A Purvis 4-0-11-1, T Lockyer 4-0-20-1, B Landsborough 3-0-11-1, L Foster 2-0-14-0, S Brown 2-0-7-1, C Brennan 2-0-20-0, L Brown 3-0-17-1.	

### Guyra

H PURVIS c Boyd b Mooney .....	2
J LOCKYER lbw b Mooney .....	12
A CAMERON not out .....	50
C LOCKYER c C Mooney b P Mooney .....	?
S BROWN c Swan b Tasik .....	11
A PURVIS not out .....	7

Total 103. H Singh 4-0-23-0, C Mooney 4-0-12-2, N Swan 2-0-14-0, P Mooney 4-0-18-1, J McFarlane 4-0-25-0, M Tasik 1-0-10-1.

## Walcha/Uralla v Guyra

### Walcha/Uralla

J MCFARLANE c & b T Brennan .....	7
B JEX b C Brennan .....	7
N ENDACOTT lbw Brown .....	60
C MORGAN b T Lockyer .....	0
P MOONEY c Perret b Brown .....	9
C MORGAN c Williams b T Lockyer .....	2
T ENDACOTT b Williams .....	9
D BIRD b Williams .....	4
M TASIK c Perret b Williams .....	0
W BOYD not out .....	2
D MORLEY not out .....	22
Total 140. Extras 18. T Brennan 8-1-28-1, C Brennan 4-0-6-1, T Lockyer 4-0-14-2, L Brown 5-1-18-1, J Lockyer 4-0-18-0, B Williams 3-0-12-3, L Foster 4-0-14-0, T Foster 4-0-19-0, S Brown 4-0-10-1.	

### Guyra

C LOCKYER c Bird b Morgan .....	12
J LOCKYER c Endacott b P Mooney .....	4
L PERRET b Tasik .....	43
T LOCKYER b P Mooney .....	0
S BROWN b P Mooney .....	1
T BRENNAN c McFarlane b Tasik .....	0
T FOSTER c Endacott b Bird .....	15
L FOSTER b Endacott .....	5
L BROWN b Mooney .....	0
Total 110. Bowling (overs/maidens/runs/wkts) P Mooney 7-1-13-1, J McFarlane 7-0-33-1, M Tasik 5-0-14-2, D Bird 5-0-18-1, C Morgan 3-0-16-0, T Endacott 3-0-15-1.	

Both Walcha/Uralla teams lost their Twenty/20 finals on Australia Day but bounced back to win their respective 2nd and 3rd Grade limited over matches last Saturday.

In the 3rd Grade decider Walcha/Uralla scored 6/102 off their 20 overs. Josh McFarlane top scored with 31 followed by Craig Stoddart 24. Opponents Guyra took 19 overs to pass their assignment at a loss of four wickets, two taken by Cameron Mooney at a cost of 12 runs off his four overs. In the 2nd Grade final, Hillgrove made 9/124 after winning the toss where Walcha/Uralla bowlers Jay Grills 4/38, Sinclair Little 2/30, Matt Harper 1/12, Daniel Boyd 1/1 and Bill Duncan 1/23 were all successful. With just ten men Walcha/Uralla only mustered 70 runs before dismissed. Batsmen to reach double figures were Jay Grills, clobbering four boundaries on his way to 19, and opener Shannon Rafferty with 12.

Last Saturday the Walcha/Uralla 2nd Grade defeated Guyra by six wickets after dismissing their opponents for a modest 99 runs, in just 24 overs of their allotted 40. Best for Walcha/Uralla were openers Sinclair Little 4/12 and Matt Harper 4/16 who received valuable support from Prince Chahal 2/17. Walcha/Uralla took 17 overs to reach their total of 4/100. Openers Daniel Boyd 34 and Blaine Moore 27 put on a partnership of 53 runs which included three 6's and one 4, while Cooper Boyd hit a couple of boundaries in his 10 runs.

Batting after winning the toss at Uralla, the homeside amassed 140 runs off their 40 overs at a loss of nine wickets thanks mainly to a game high 60 runs by Nick Endacott. Next best was Zac Morley with 22, the only other home team batsman to reach double figures.

Struggling at 8/71 in their 21st over after losing three wickets in the one over, Endacott and Morley came to the rescue putting on a 64 run, ninth wicket partnership. 'Player of the Match' Peter Mooney sent down seven overs to capture five wickets at a cost of a miserly 13 runs. The other wicket takers were Matt Tasik 2/14, Endacott 1/15, Josh McFarlane 1/33 and Drew Bird 1/18.

# Bowls

Results 2022 mixed pairs final: S Andrew's and K Goodwin defeated D Richards and T Asmus 15 - 9. The new 2023 championship nomination sheets will be on the board soon!

**Dads Army:** Four women and six men braved the heat to play on Thursday afternoon where a game of Triples and a game of Pairs were played. The Pairs between Noel Goodwin and Wendy Moore versus John McCormack and Esther Hunt ended in a 12-all draw. The Triples saw Barry Kliendienst, Margaret Tickle and Geoff Salt defeat Brian Goodwin, Katherine Smith and John Watts 9 - 8. John and Esther won the chooks and the raffles went to Margaret Tickle and Kyle Goodwin.

As a Triples Carnival will be held on Thursday there will be no Dads Army. The Carnival will start at 9.00am for 9.30 start. **Note:** Due to the Walcha Races there will be no Twilight Comp this Friday.

# At the 19th

Waterloo Mayor, Ross King, joined forces with his wife Penny to win a 4BBB Stableford Medley competition for trophies donated by Angus and Pip Money last Sunday, after they accumulated 43 points. They snuck home by a point from Don Brooks and Jenny Lisle, Nixon Bird and Michael Stackman, John McCormack and Andrew Robertson - all on 42 points, while the remaining sweepstake prizes went to Doug McDonald and Rose Baumer to Lee and Ruth Fletcher 39 on countback from Bill Heazlett and Lorraine Rennie, Max Holstein and Crichton Barr also on 39. Sharpest shooters at the pins were Margaret Davidson (3) and Don Brooks (18). In Matchplay Kyle Goodwin defeated Drew Bird 1 up. Manilla visitors Gary and Kathy Turner enjoyed their round where they racked up 35 points and will return at the end of April for the Vet's Mixed Open.

Last Saturday Brian Lynch compiled a score of 16 points to win the weekly 9 hole event which included the N.T.P. on 3. Runner-up was Jenny Lisle on 15 points.

This Sunday is a Two-Person Medley Ambrose for prizes supplied by Brian Smith Timber Transport. The event will also be a men's qualifier for the NSW Keno Competition.



## WEDNESDAY

### GENTLE YOGA

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