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Council to meet with NSW Planning tomorrow

Last week Energy Corporation of NSW (EnergyCo) released a map which highlights proposed transmission lines which will connect new renewable energy generation to electricity consumers.

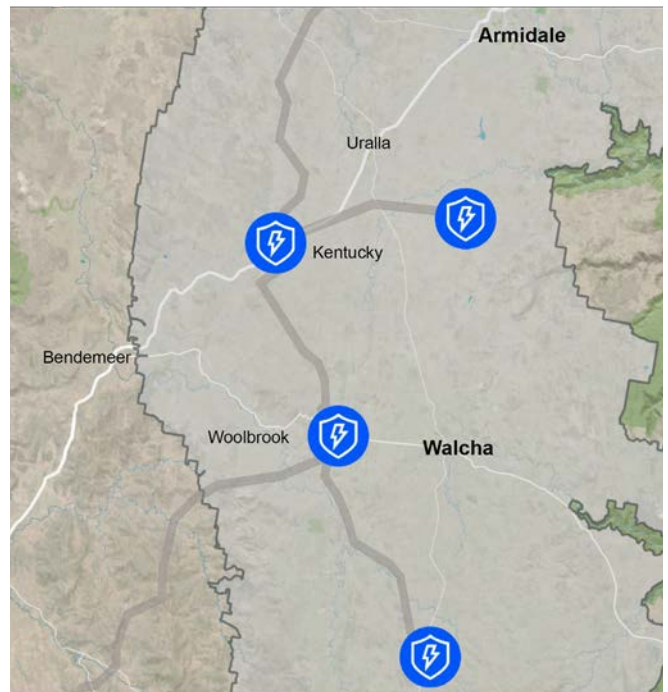
This proposed transmission network for the New England Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) is 1km wide and stretches from Guyra south to the existing transmission network near Bayswater Power Station in Muswellbrook and will affect approximately 43 landholders in the Walcha Council area.

The map (right) highlights the proposed transmission network, as well as the four Energy Hubs. These hubs collect electricity from solar, wind and storage projects and transfer it to the network so it can be distributed to homes, businesses and essential services.

The map is a copy of the interactive map from the EnergyCo website and highlights the landholders in this area which will have transmission lines travelling through their property.

Walcha Council will be meeting with NSW Planning tomorrow (Thursday) and Mayor Eric Noakes strongly encourages all landholders to check if they will be affected and to contact the Council office (before Thursday) if they have not been contacted by EnergyCo to date. You can access this interactive map at: <https://caportal.com.au/energyco/rez>

It is important to click on the 'Land Boundaries' tab and add 'Lot Boundaries' to pinpoint exactly which Lots will have transmission lines travelling through them.



If your property sits on this proposed transmission path, and you haven't been contacted by EnergyCo, please get in touch with Walcha Council

"Every landowner identified in the preliminary study corridor will be offered a meeting with a representative from our project team to discuss the project and next steps. This meeting will assist us to understand the proposed infrastructure and possible impacts on local landowners and help inform the selection of a preferred route for the new transmission infrastructure," EnergyCo said.

The New England REZ is one of five zones identified across the State to connect new renewable energy generation to electricity consumers as part of the Government's roadmap to replace retiring coal-fired power stations and modernising our energy system.

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around the traps



By SIMON NEWTON

The forecasted rain event for this week has sadly all but diminished for us as we were all looking for a drop of rain. The wind has been in the east and the old saying, we won't get any rain while the wind blows from the east was spot on. The local water carters are already carting water to residents around the district as their drinking water has already run out. April and May has been quite dry for our district, and we haven't had any runoff water for quite some time. The issue we face now is the longer we go without rain, the drier the feed becomes and the more likely it will disintegrate with rain. It's going to be a long winter for a lot of livestock and especially for those about to reproduce.

The RBA are set to meet again, and the talk is that they will be handing down another rate rise with more expected to come. This could be our thirteenth rate rise, with interest rates all but doubling since it first began. A household with a loan of 500,000 will be paying an additional \$1200 a month and for a million-dollar home, \$2300 extra per month compared to before the rate rises began. There is no doubt families will begin to falter on their mortgages and there will be forced sales. The hard part is where will these people live, especially with the shortage of rentals around.

The rural sector, especially the graziers will also be starting to feel some heat with these continual rate rises, coupled with lower livestock values and a drier than normal season predicted. There is no doubt that this will have implications on the rural property market with prices that people are willing to pay per DSE coming off the boil to fall in line with actual return on investment. The list of people looking for rural property is becoming smaller, especially when an El Nino period is predicted later in the year. Anyone can sit down and do the sums on purchasing a rural property and the figures are extremely tight.

The dry weather continues to put pressure on all livestock markets with extra production hitting the export channels throughout May. Exports for Australian beef are up 20% compared to the same time last year and China has been our single largest consumer, up 40% on the same period from last year. Japan continues to be a solid export market for Australian beef while the USA has climbed by 44% in a month, the largest volume in 12 months. I think we have seen the bottom of the beef cycle and the prices are only continuing to slip due to the dry weather. Our export markets look firm, and the feedlots are making money again so the future looks good if we can get some rain and get the labour force up. The sheep and lamb market has really been under some pressure over the last fortnight with the lamb job slipping 40-80c/kg carcass weight. Primarily this is due to an oversupply of lamb as the crunch time for winter crops have reached a point where producers will not finish them in time, nor will the feed last long enough to do a proper fattening job. Kill space is now out by 4 weeks for lambs and let's hope the central west and southern parts of NSW can get some rain from this event so it can stem the offload from those areas.

The winter offload continues with numerous loads of livestock exiting the district over the past few months to feedlots, markets and processing plants. I think this will continue for another 4-5 weeks and then the numbers will back off and we will hopefully see a rise the livestock markets. Tamworth yarded 2138 cattle on Monday with light restocking cattle selling to a slightly dearer trend due to the forecast of rain. Yearling cattle to feed sold to cheaper trends topping at 322c/kg for steers and 280c/kg for heifers, heavy steer to process made 322c/kg while cows topped at 227c/kg. Tamworth yarded 6300 sheep and lambs with trade lambs selling from \$105-\$123/hd, while extra heavy lambs topped at \$180. Heavy xb ewes sold to \$153 and the wether portion topped at \$134.

APSLEY ADVOCATE Long weekend deadline

Editorial and Adversting bookings **3.00pm THIS Friday 9 June**

Sport and classified **9.00am Tuesday 13 June**

Annie victorious on the hockey field

From Dallas Hyatt, Principal

Year 6 St Patrick's student Annabelle Patterson-Kane represented the Polding team at the NSWPSA Hockey Carnival held at Tamworth last week.

Polding went through the whole tournament undefeated, only conceding one goal in the week-long competition. They were crowned joint champions with South Coast as they drew one all in the playoff for first and second.

Annie should be very proud of herself for what she has accomplished as she was competing against the very best girl hockey players from across New South Wales and from what the school has heard, Annie was one of the best players at the carnival.

We hope you enjoy your short break before you are off competing at the Polding Cross Country Trials this Tuesday.



65th Wedding Anniversary

Well known Walcha couple Alex and Betty Smith will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary today.

Alex and Betty were married on 7th June 1958 at Walcha's Presbyterian Church by Rev George McLean with Elizabeth Hamilton and Neil Sweeney as their bridal party.

Alex at 93 and Betty 86, are still living at home independently and have been wonderful volunteers for many organisations in Walcha during their married life.

They have formed a magnificent legacy with their family of three children Paul, Ruth and Maree along with their partners Sandy, Shane and Chris. Their family now includes: 13 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and another on the way.

We congratulate them on their blue sapphire anniversary and wish them a wonderful day together.



*Years 3 – 6 watching the final, cheering Annie on.
Right: Annie in action at NSW PSSA*



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letters to the editor

Community meeting ambush?

What a bizarre thumbs down in last weeks Advocate, describing Voice for Walcha's attendance at the Ruby Hills drop in session as an "ambush", along with an accusation of bullying. How exactly did Voice for Walcha ambush the Ruby Hills community drop-in meeting? Was it by turning up? Or was it by having questions to ask? It was a meeting designed for the community to come and learn about the project. We encouraged community members to attend and offered to ask questions on their behalf. We sent these questions through in advance and said there would be people attending who wanted to hear the answers. We advertised in the Apsley Advocate encouraging community members to attend. Walcha Energy knew the community would be turning up. This is hardly an ambush. If Walcha Energy genuinely want meaningful community consultation, this could have been a perfect opportunity. Instead, communication and questions were shut-down. What was the event for if it wasn't to answer questions? Our community is crying out for answers. The fact that so many people turned up is evidence of this thirst for information. It was not an ambush.

We are unaware of any "bullying" by Voice for Walcha or the community on the evening. If somebody presents an alternative view to the developer, it is not bullying. There were certainly some upset community members presenting their issues. Is objecting to having wind turbines on your boundary bullying? Is it bullying to object to reduced land values when you are trying to sell your property? Are you a bully if you ask some difficult questions around the project? It was a really sad process to see the pain caused by this project. Displays of emotion by people deeply affected by this project is not bullying. Certainly not on the scale of a developer coming into a community and telling them these projects will go ahead and there is nothing that can be done about it. When Walcha Energy are proposing 4000MW of power for our small community, you have to expect pushback from the people. This is not bullying. These are community members expressing frustration. We continue to look forward to a developer that is willing to engage with the community in a meaningful way. A project that is the right size, in the right location, by a developer that makes an attempt to gain social license would be supported by Voice for Walcha. We will continue to support concerned community members and scrutinise these projects, despite unfounded criticism from invested individuals and developers. **Voice for Walcha**

Walcha Handmade finalised

Upon the closure of Walcha Handmade Co-operative a decision was required as to how the surplus funds were to be distributed to a worthy not for profit community organisation within the community.

At the meeting it was unanimously decided that the Walcha Men's Shed fitted that criteria and that they had been supportive of Walcha Handmade by providing wonderful goods to be sold to both locals and travellers.

Recently the balance of these funds have been transferred to the Walcha Men's Shed who have indicated they will be used on projects that will support the Walcha community.

Walcha Handmade Co-operative

Dont miss a fun night with Ventriloquist Darren Carr

An entertaining evening will be held at the Walcha Bowling Club on Tuesday 13th June starring Darren Carr, Australia's #1 ventriloquist. A guest speaker from the Insurance Council of Australia will be there to give you some valuable insurance tips whilst you enjoy a free dinner.

There will be many support services available on the night – Rural Recovery Support Service (DPI), Rural Aid, Rural Financial Counselling Service, HealthWise, Rural Adversity Mental Health Program, National Emergency Management Agency, Salvation Army, Landcare, Local Land Services, Walcha Council, Armidale Family Support Service, Lifeline and TAFE NSW

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Celebrating Kings 'Amcal' Pharmacy

Kings Pharmacy officially became Kings Amcal Pharmacy on Friday for the grand opening of the re-branded store.

Member for Northern Tablelands, Adam Marshall officially opened the store, and Jo Starling, the business development manager from Amcal was on hand to congratulate Mathew Barwick and his staff.

Many locals dropped in for morning tea with Wyatt Hayton serving up delicious coffees, while the Lions Club did a wonderful job of feeding everyone with their BBQ.

We are very fortunate as a community to have such a high quality pharmacy with exceptional staff in town.



Top from left: Wyatt Hayton helping serve morning tea. Owner Matt Barwick cutting the cake with Adam Marshall. Inset: The Amcal celebratory cake baked by local Audi Dunn. Left: Bob Burnell, Ian Bird and Peter McIvor manning the Lions Club BBQ. Right: Bruce Scrivener, Lloyd Levingston and Peter Boyd.



EnergyCo

New England Renewable Energy Zone



NSW Department of Planning and Environment / Neil Fenelon

Stay up to date

The New England Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) is an investment by the NSW Government in providing a clean, reliable and affordable energy future for our region.

Planning for the REZ includes transmission infrastructure to deliver electricity produced by renewable sources to consumers. This includes energy 'hubs' and transmission lines to connect to the existing network.

A preliminary study corridor for REZ infrastructure is now available on our website. We encourage you to take a look and contact us with your feedback to help shape this generational project.

To stay connected and be the first to hear about opportunities to have your say, scan the QR code below:



Get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us on 1800 061 114 or by emailing nerez@energyco.nsw.gov.au.

To learn more about the New England REZ, visit our website at energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne-rez.

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RUGBY REPORT WALCHA V INVERELL

By Eric the Spider

FIRST GRADE: The Walcha Rams headed to Inverell on Saturday for their game against the Inverell highlanders. The game began with Inverell getting first use of the ball, setting up some phases and questioning the Walcha defence. The Walcha defence stood strong forcing Inverell to kick the ball out of their own territory. The Rams managed to hold the ball for a number of phases working their way up the field, showing great structure and patience. Inverell were forced to infringe and Walcha won a penalty right in front of the post which Walcha converted. Walcha 3 Inverell 0. Some handling errors and ill-discipline from both teams made it difficult for either team to gain dominance in attack. Some excellent defence from Joe "dungeon master" Makeham continuously repelled the Inverell attack. Inverell managed to gain some field position and Walcha were forced to defend their line for a long period of time, eventually resulting in an Inverell try. Walcha 3 Inverell 7.

The Rams continued to stick to their game plan of kicking for territory and turning Inverell's big forwards around, attempting to force a turn over deep in Inverell's half. Some excellent tactical kicking from Dom "skate park rat" Bower allowed Walcha some territory which they were able to convert into points with another penalty. Walcha 6 Inverell 7. The first half wore on with both teams throwing everything at each other playing a fast paced up tempo game of rugby. Some excellent carries from Sam "muscle man" Lomax and Joel "joog baby" Ballon gave Walcha some excellent go forward. The Inverell defence were up to the task repelling the Walcha attack. Walcha received another penalty just before half time which they converted. Walcha 9 Inverell 7.

The second half began similarly to the first with the two teams throwing the ball around attempting to exploit the opposition defence out wide. Walcha managed to win another penalty early in the first half which they again converted successfully. Walcha 12 Inverell 14. It was Inverell who were next to strike with a try to regain the lead. Walcha 12 Inverell 14. Walcha were forced to dig deep and lift another gear which they did putting together a number of phases deep in the Inverell 22. A big carry from Henry "loved up les" Leslie put the Inverell on the back foot and some quick passing followed to put Ollie Crawford over the line for a well worked try. Walcha 19 Inverell 14. A few missed tackles from the Walcha Rams allowed Inverell deep into the Rams' half and they were on the attack again. The Rams defended well for a long period of time before Inverell crashed over with 20 minutes to go, levelling the score. Walcha 19 Inverell 19.

Some excellent running from Sione "big Ulu" Kamoto gave Walcha some good momentum and go forward throughout the entire game. Archie "sheep man" Lawrence had a huge game, having a number of big carries and stepping up when needed in defence. Jim "sausage dog pimp" Boyd managed to find himself in space on a number of occasions, troubling the Inverell defence. With the game in the balance Walcha found themselves defending their own line for a number of phases. The Walcha Rams continued to repel the Inverell defence late in the game holding Inverell up over the line twice to deny them scoring. A huge defensive effort from the Walcha Rams which showed great determination and character. Wally "the slippery Somerton sheep breeder" Davidson had one of his best ever games for the Rams. In the end the Walcha defence managed to hold off the final Inverell attack to come away with a 19 all draw. A gutsy performance from the Rams who will be looking forward to a week off to rest their bodies.

Points: 3 Wally Davidson, 2 Joel Ballon, 1 Archie Lawrence, Joe Makeham and Dom Bower. Players' Player - Wally Davidson

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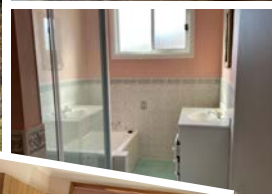
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what's the goss



with AJ Cross

Congratulations to local junior hockey player Annie Patterson-Kane who was a member of the Polding team that finished joint winners of the NSW PSSA Hockey Championships held in Tamworth last week. Polding remained undefeated throughout the tournament and only conceded just one goal during their eight games, in the final when they drew with South Coast 1- all. Under the 'No Heartbreak Policy' if the final finishes in a draw both teams are declared joint winners. Annie plays centre back while another local Olivia Mulligan played goalkeeper for North West during the championships last week. Good on ya girls.

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Congratulations to local Junior Rugby player Bentley Brennan on being selected in the Central North White under 11's Rugby squad to compete in the State Gala weekend in July. Bentley's older brother Koby was picked in the Central North under 14's team earlier in the season. Well done also to Kobe Brown and Flynn O'Connell who made it into the Central North Red U/11's.

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When golfer Mark Hogan selected a six iron from his golf bag before he teed off on the 16th hole last Sunday little did he think his tee shot would finish up in the hole. When he reached the green Mark couldn't see his ball anywhere so he presumed it had gone through the green. How wrong he was but was very excited when his playing partner John McCormack pointed out the ball was in the hole. Well done Hoges.

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At the time of going to print around 80 people had indicated they will be attending the Big Hoy Reunion this weekend, well not so much the 'Big' part as most people would be aware there aren't many Hoys that are big in stature especially in the height department. Little doubt there will be plenty of yarns swapped at the Bowling Club on Friday evening, 'Miltiades' on Saturday and then at a Tia Church gathering on Sunday. Hope the weather is kind but then again everyone attending would know what Walcha winters are like.

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Going back some time one of the Hoy mob Barry and his wife Jenny were invited to the 40 Wedding Anniversary of his good mate John Finlayson and his wife Kathy. Unfortunately Baz had committed to play Veterans Cricket and Jenny was booked into a Garden Show so they had to politely decline.

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When Cricket was called off Barry decided he would then attend the Wedding Anniversary which was being held in the Hunter Valley and on reaching Scone Barry contacted Lewis Wall (son of John and Denise) who is married to Rachel (daughter of John and Kathy) to find out directions of the 'Shindig'.

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Lewis soon informed Baz the function wasn't on that day and was a luncheon the following day but he could stay with them overnight. Barry eagerly accepted the offer before turning up with a carton of refreshments, some ham and bread rolls, in lieu of an accommodation fee no doubt.

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Bad luck to Walcha Central School students Kirra Murphy, Sari and Koda Andrews who were defeated 24 - 4 by Wee Waa at Tamworth on Monday. In the semi final of the North West Open Lawn Bowls knockout. Team chauffeur and supervisor Col Berry indicated the trio all played well with luck not going their way at times. Good job on making the semi final anyway girls.

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Talented sporting all rounder Kirra Murphy wasn't 100% while competing at the Bowls where she was still recovering from concussion which she suffered while playing Ladies League Tag with the Walcha/Uralla Jillaroos at Bingara last Saturday evening. Despite experiencing a headache on Monday Kirra wasn't going to let the Andrews sisters down.

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How time flies! This Saturday will mark two years sine Dear Old Dad I.J left this world. May Irwin John Cross continue to Rest in Peace. 🌹 🌹



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Rugby League

Walcha/Urala were defeated in both their Group 19 Round 8 Rugby League matches when they travelled to Bingara last Saturday. In the main game the Tigeroos opened the scoring after five minutes with a try to Shuaib Rhodes-Swain who ran 90 metres to touchdown and then raised the flags with his conversion attempt. The Bullets responded with a converted try to tie up the scores at 6-all before Rhodes-Swain scored his second try and conversion to put the visitors back in front 12-6, only to see Bingara respond with their own converted try.

Midway through the opening stanza Rhodes-Swain registered his hat trick of tries and conversions before Jack Doran crossed for a four pointer which was converted by Rhodes-Swain. Just before half-time the homeside reduced the lead to 24-18 with a converted try and that's the way it stayed while oranges were taken.

Spectators barely had time to finish their half-time hot dogs when the Bullets once again equalised the scores with a converted try before taking the lead 28-24 after crossing for an unconverted touchdown. With 16 minutes remaining the Tigeroos hit the front 30-28 through a try to Vinnie Moran and conversion to Rhodes-Swain, the last time the visitors bothered the scorers on the day. During the final 10 minutes Bingara ran in three unconverted tries to finalise the scoring at 40-30.

Best and Fairest Points Club 3 Shuaib Rhodes-Swain (who also collected 2 group points), 2 Kieren Stiff, 1 Josh Dailey. Players Player Shuaib Rhodes-Swain.

Jillaroos

The Walcha/Urala Jillaroos went down to Bingara 34-16 after trailing 22-6 in their Group 19 Ladies League Tag match at Bingara last Saturday.

Barely warmed up Bingara scored a converted try very early in the contest before increasing their advantage to 10-0 a few minutes later. Midway through the first session the visitors bounded back with a try to Taneika Landsborough which was converted by Maddie Lance for the Jillaroos to trail 10-6. Bingara ran in two converted tries to lead at the break and by midway through the second half had strengthened their lead to 34-6 with a further two converted tries. The Jillaroos then scored a try by Jojo Matapakia which she converted and then a few minutes later Landsborough scored her second touchdown to finalise the scoring at 34-16.

Kirra Murphy suffered a concussion during the second half and spent the night in Bingara hospital. Best and Fairest- Club 3 Maddie Lance, 2 Taneika Landsborough (who also picked up a Group point), 1 Rachel Green and Jojo Matapakia. Players Player was Rachel Green.

No Rugby League over the Kings Birthday Long Weekend before round 9 is away against Armidale Saturday June 17.

Tennis

Round 5 of the 2023 Eskimo Comp was played out on Tuesday 30 May. Max scorers this week with 18 from a possible 18 were Michael Lockyer and Dave Clark. Well done to both players. Top of group 1: Michael Lockyer on 75, Group 2: D A Locke and Chris Bruce on 66, Group 3: Braedon Konneron on 65 and Group 4: Dave Clark on 59. Well done to our Group leaders. The pressure is on in Round 6. Who can rise to the top of their Group?

The next Club Meeting will be held on Monday 10 July at 6.30pm all members are welcome to attend. See you all at the net soon.

Ladies Bowls

On a chilly Thursday morning the Ladies Three Bowl Pairs Championships commenced with two games being played the results – Carmel Ryan and Deb Richards defeated Janice Rizzi and Wendy Moore 22-11 the other game Lyn Burnell and Esther Hunt defeated Pat Laurie and June Hayes 22-15.

The draw for this Thursday 8 June is Lyn Burnell and Esther Hunt v's Jan Cross and Sari Andrews. There was a game of social bowls played between Jan Cross and Phyllis Hoy with the publicity officer misplacing the score card.

At the 19th

An American foursomes Medley was played for trophies donated by Neil and Adam Dark where the winners were John McCormack and Mark Hogan after they carded a 62^{1/2} nett last Sunday. Runners up were Michael Stackman and Drew Bird 63 David and Simone Sweeney 64^{1/2}, Neil Dark and Don Brooks 64^{1/2}, Simeon Cross and Owen Presnell 65 Crichton Barr and Sandy Gill 66.

Sharpest Shooters at the pins were Cheryl McDonald (3) and Simeon Cross (18) while Mark Hogan hit his tee shot on the 16th hole into the cup which entitled him to 8 balls from

the Eagles Nest sponsored by Darks Plumbing.

Last Saturday Vicki Heffernan accumulated 19 stableford points to win the weekly 9 hole competition runner up was Crichton Barr 18 points whereas John McCormack took out the N.T.P on 3. Congratulations to John McCormack on being named Jock Nivison Memorial winner for 2023 after he racked up 151 stableford points throughout the New England Veterans Pennants competition. Runner-up was Sue Partridge 146 followed by Col Berry 139, Simeon Cross 136, Wayne Brennan 130, Cheryl and Doug McDonald both on 122. This Sunday is a Two Person Ambrose Mixed Keno Qualifier to be played in conjunction with trophies donated by Nutrien Boulton's.

Bowls

Dads Army: Ten players enjoyed playing in the sunshine last Thursday afternoon where a game of triples and a game of pairs were played. In the triples the "chook" winners Noel Goodwin, Barry Hoad and Geoff Salt defeated Barry Kliendienst, John Watts and Warwick Hogan on the toss of a coin after the final score was 13 all. The game of pairs – Mick Bullen and Peter Hayes defeated John McCormack and Eric O'Keefe 14-12 in another close game. The raffle of a hot chook was won by Peter Hayes.

Ladies Golf

Wednesday we played the 27 Hole Foursomes Championships for Elders trophy.

It was a great day for golf and everyone seemed to enjoy the kinder weather! Our scratch winners on the day were Julie Olrich and Cheryl McDonald, who were defending their trophy from last year. Well done girls. Their score was 133.

The nett winners with 97 and ¾ were Robyn Salt and Lyn Laurie. Runners up were Cark Street and Barb Mulligan with 105 ¼ and sweepstakes went to Julie Olrich and Cheryl McDonald on 106 ¾. NTP on 3 was Vicki Heffernan and Julie Olrich took the pin on 16.

A few girls travelled to Barraba to play in their Open last Sunday, and Alison Cameron and Jill Burnell were triumphant winners with a magnificent tally of 49 points. Jill also won a NTP, as did Cark Street.

Today we are playing a par event in remembrance of our dear friend Jeannette Wark.



Kindergarten Orientation

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Thank You

We would like to thank you all very much for the cards and expressions of sympathy after Natalie's death. Your support at this difficult time was very much appreciated and a great comfort to us. A special thank you to the Telecottage staff for the time and kindness shown to us. *Greg and Diane Partridge.*

The family of Glenis Hoy would like to thank everyone for their calls, cards, flowers and kind words of sympathy shown to us during this very sad time following our mother and grandmothers passing. Thank you.

Public Notices

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE
Walcha Town and Country Club**

Annual Ladies Luncheon

The luncheon will be hosted by Peter Betts,
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Detail of invitation will follow in August.

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Woolbrook Church Service 2pm this Sunday.
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WALCHA COUNCIL

**Draft Concealed Water Leak
Policy on Public Exhibition**



Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 31 May 2023 approved the Draft Concealed Water Leak Policy. This Policy will be on public exhibition on Council's website: <http://www.walcha.nsw.gov.au/news.aspx> until Friday 7 July 2023. During this time written submissions on the Draft Policy will be received by Council.

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CATHOLIC Sunday 10:00am Mass.



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