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Rodeo wins for Provost boys

Lachie Provost returned to school yesterday for a well-earned rest after taking out the top prize at rodeos from Rockhampton all the way down to Gloucester during the winter school break.

The young bull rider can't wipe the smile off his face after winning the Junior Mini Bull Riding at the Rockhampton PBR Junior Academy event, followed by wins at the Glowalman Junior Rodeos in Wingham, Nabiac and Gloucester last week.

At only eleven years of age, Lachie absolutely loves the sport and spent the first weekend of his holidays attending the PBR Junior Academy in Rockhampton where he learnt from the best in the industry, with clinics and instruction. That evening he competed in the 10-11 year age group and won the Mini Bull riding event, bringing home an Ariat voucher and prizemoney from Can-Am.

His younger brother Benji placed fifth in the Peewee Mini Bull ride on Saturday night and fourth on Sunday which was a fantastic result for the young eight year old.

The Provost team then headed south, picking up their horses on the way through Walcha to the Glowalman Junior Rodeos.

Lachie was named age champion at all three rodeos as well as qualifying to ride-off in the Supreme Stock Rider on his horse Amigo.

Following closely in his footsteps, younger brothers Benji and Jack came home and from the Glowalmans with numerous ribbons prizes

Lachie has been riding in rodeos since he was eight years old and Benji has been competing for twelve months. They absolutely love the sport and spend most afternoons rocking the practice drums at home for each other, and manage to get on the bulls around two afternoons a week.





Above: Lachie competing at the Rockhampton PBR Junior Academy. Below: The Provost brothers, from left Jack, Benji and Lachie, with a swag of ribbons and trophies from the Glowalmans.



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around the traps



By SIMON NEWTON

The weather last week was outstanding, even if it did start with a large frost, the days were sunny and even warm enough to take your jumper off.

A quick trip to the Brewarrina last Thursday to inspect some agistment cattle didn't fill me with much hope for a change in the seasonal conditions. The further west we got the more immature the crops were and the fewer they became with a good stand of dry feed in plenty of paddocks, but not a lot of green winter herbage. The crops from Tamworth to Narrabri look by far the best and even the crops around Inverell over the weekend aren't too far behind. If we could just get another front with 30 - 50mm in it I think we would see some real change in the season. Interestingly no matter who you talk to once you get off the tablelands, they all agree it's been a colder winter.

The Albanese government are looking to move the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority back to Canberra after Barnaby Joyce had it relocated to Armidale in 2019. The Albanese government are stating that the move from Canberra to Armidale has been the demise of good governance, also the source of many troubles including poor culture and being too close to the industry it governs. Come on, is the government that naive given the circus that has been performing on the grounds of Parliament House, talk about poor culture. Seriously, once again the government are stating they care about regional and rural communities when clearly, they don't, especially when they would prefer to take much needed jobs back to the big smoke.

If you love eggs for any meal of the day you might be in for a shock when the price per carton could climb to \$15 for a dozen of eggs. The phasing out of caged eggs could be being brought forward by 10 years to 2036, with producers worried it will only hurt the consumers' pockets with three times as much labour required to run a cage free operation. New Zealand is already phasing out caged eggs with the cost of a carton already increasing to \$12 and in Australia we consume around 17 million eggs per day with approx. 40% produced through the caged layer operation. There are some real opportunities arising through the production of free-range eggs, especially when you don't need a lot of land to run a sizable operation. Looks like the backyard chook market is about to see some inflation.

Congratulations goes out to the Shalimar Park Merino stud for taking out the top price in the Australian fleece competition out of 343 entries. Shalimar took out the grand champion fleece with a 16.3 micron fleece that was valued at \$140.15 and scored 95.78 points. All fleeces were weighed and sampled for objective measurements with the most valuable fleece also going to another Walcha wool grower in Glenburnie Partnership. The Pittman family produced a fleece of 16.2 micron valued at \$153.47.

Tamworth yarded 1,380 cattle on Monday with demand for feeder cattle, particularly heifers saw a lift of 30 - 40c/kg in places depending on breed and quality. Restocking weaners sold to dearer trends with 317kg angus steers making 358c/kg while Angus heifers 259kg making 336c/kg. Feeder heifers, 383kg topped at 328c/kg while Angus feeder steers 505kg topped at 339c/kg. Domestic kill heifers, 488kg topped at 324c/kg while the cow market improved by 10c/kg topping at 235c/kg. The southern cattle market is still a long way in front of ours with cows topping at 264c/kg, domestic kill cattle over 500kg liveweight making to 340c/kg while 400kg feeder heifers made to 428c/kg at Mortlake on Monday. It wasn't a good day to have your sheep and lambs in Tamworth with 2600 lambs and 2000 mutton yarded on Monday which could only be described as bloody tough. All categories of lamb fell in value even with a return of a major buyer with lambs falling as much as \$16 – 30/hd, especially for the secondary quality. Trade weight lambs over 20 - 24kg carcass weight made from \$85 - 100 or 410 - 440c/kg, while extra heavy topped at \$136 or 410 - 464c/kg dressed value. The sheep market sold to similar trends and topped at \$129, with majority of the XB ewes selling from \$80 - 110 or 270 - 310c/kg carcass value.

Domino's UK and Ireland CEO





When Walcha local Andrew Rennie was growing up it would have been unlikely that he knew Pizzas would play such a key role in his future.

A former Walcha Central School student, and son of Ian Rennie and Noelene Brady, Andrew has just been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of Dominos Pizza UK and Ireland.

Andrew has had an extensive career in the Domino's global system, a deep knowledge of the brand, vast experience of working with franchisees, and was himself a very successful multi-unit franchisee for a decade.

Andrew spent over two decades with Sydney-listed Domino's Pizza Enterprises (DPE) in roles including CEO of France and Belgium (2006 – 2010), COO and then CEO of its Australia and New Zealand business (2010 –

2013). From 2014 to 2020 Andrew was CEO of DPG's European business, which includes the Master Franchise Agreements for France, Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands. He is also a non-executive director of AIM-listed Domino's Pizza Poland plc, and chair of The Cheesecake Shop – a 238-store business in Australia and New Zealand.

Matt Shattock, Chairman, said "Andrew is just the right person to take the business to the next level."

The Domino's brand is in Andrew's blood and he is delighted and honoured to be taking up the role of CEO of DPG. Working with the team at DPG and the world-class franchisees, he is confident they can take the business to new heights and can't wait to get started.

Anyone for a game of bridge?

While Bridge can be a challenging card game, it is also very enjoyable.

The Apsley Bridge Club would like to invite you to give it a try. New comers and visitors are welcome to come along and join them on Monday mornings to the Walcha Tennis Club. Here you will learn the finer points of the game and if you enjoy the morning you can also play Tuesday afternoons for some more fun and competition.

If you would like to know more about the Apsley Bridge Club, please contact Di Bazeley.

Congratulations must go to the new, incoming executives of Apsley Bridge Club.



Sally Forsstrom, Tim Fenwicke, Sue White and Jane Moore, the clubs new executives.

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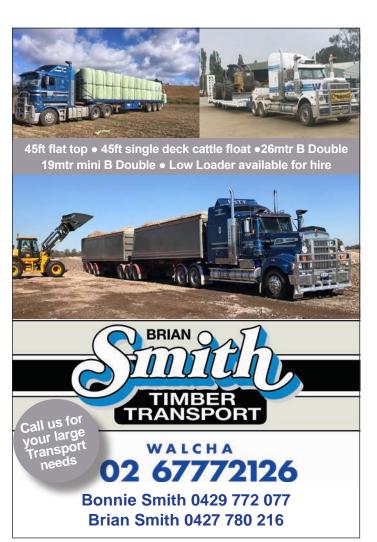
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Mayoral Column

FINANCE

At the June Ordinary Meeting Walcha Council adopted our Operational Plan (OP) and Budget for the 2034-2024 financial year. Including the Special Rate Variation income, a concentration on cutting



discretionary spending and utilising funds efficiently we have been able to adopt a neutral budget. Looking at other Councils' OPs this is an excellent outcome and vindicates the path that Council has pursued over the last eighteen months.

The successful SRV sees Walcha Council's financial position become stable, with the Long Term Financial Plan reflecting Council staying in the "black" into the future. While this is an excellent outcome it does not come without its challenges, with tight financial controls required to a maintain this position. In the background of this sits lobbying by Country Mayors and Local Government NSW to make a fairer system where councils who are at the vagaries of market forces with a capped income source struggle to deliver community expectations. I understand that households and businesses operate under much the same pressure, but a difference being Council has functions they must deliver to the community. It is our task to make sure we deliver these functions as efficiently as possible with the resources we have. Many of you have likely seen the new road patching plant in action once again. This equipment has been absent from our fleet for a number of years and the investment is part of Councils ongoing commitment to the community in focusing on core business with the approval of the SRV ensuring Council is able to deliver these functions efficiently in the coming years.

This core business is what Council will concentrate on delivering, there are many "nice to haves" but these must be assessed carefully so we don't cut our nose to spite our face as maintaining our transport infrastructure cannot be compromised.

The statement by NSW Roads Minister Jenny Aitchison that the "States' Regional Roads are in appalling condition" and that the push for over mass over size vehicles will exacerbate this is worrying within itself. All Councils have road issues but there is also the acute concern regarding the Renewable Energy Zones impact as well. Either way, if lack of funding of transport infrastructure in NSW over many years is the core problem, us being an efficient organisation is the only solution – for now.

WASTE STRATEGY

Just a reminder that the Waste Strategy, a strategy that will take our compliance and budgeting around solid waste disposal at our "tips" into the future. There has been much comment on opening hours over the years and here is your opportunity to have an input. I have often heard that Saturday opening would be beneficial to many people, especially in spring. Residents who utilise our waste stations, Woolbrook, Nowendoc and Yarrowitch may be affected by changes to make these facilities cost neutral and compliant. The aim of this strategy is to keep these facilities open, but if they become cost prohibitive we may have to reassess their operating status. If they cost more to run than they return some other area, Council has to foot the bill. This Strategy is easily located on Council's website or by visiting the office.

VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT (VPA)

I won't cover the requirements by the Department of Planning in relation to VPAs but just a reminder that Walcha Council, in conjunction with Uralla Shire Council have engaged legal advice at Vestas's expense to make sure the VPA for the Winterbourne Wind project is fit for our community. When this Agreement is in draft form it will be put out on public display for comment. It doesn't matter what is published elsewhere, this is the process we will follow.

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Mayoral Column

DONATIONS POLICY

As part of Council's commitment to review expenditure, in August 2022 we updated our Community Grants & Donations Policy to ensure Council provides a framework whereby requests for financial assistance are assessed and accounted for in an open and transparent manner. The total funds available are set in the annual budget and applications will be called for once a year. This allows all requests to be reviewed together and a fairer distribution of available funds. Applications are now open and close on Friday 11 August 2023. All community groups who have previously been recipients of these funds have been notified of these changes, but others can apply through the form on Council's website or by visiting Council Office.

RURAL ADDRESSING

Rural address signs are available for purchase through Council in order to make locating rural property accesses easier. While convenient for visitors, rural address signs can actually be critical in emergency situations where minutes may matter.

Council fees and charges have been adopted for 2023-2024 with Rural Address signage now costing \$366 for supply and install. However, with a grant from the NSW Reconstruction Authority, Council is still offering \$100 subsidy on the purchase of Rural Address signage. This is limited, the subsidy will only be available until the allocated grant funding is spent. Please contact Council for more details, there is also an application form available on our website. Thank you to 27 residents who have already successfully installed Rural Address signage in Walcha under this subsidy and thanks to our Disaster Risk Reduction Coordinator, Kruthika, for this initiatve.



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with AJ Cross

Sad to hear former Apsley Arms and Commercial Hotel publican Ian Thomson lost his battle with Pancreatic Cancer last week. 'Thommo' played for our Rugby League Cricket Club and I always enjoyed dropping into the Apsley for a few frothy ones when he was running the show there a few years back. A memorial service is to be held at the Anna Bay Tavern, immediately adjacent to the North-Eastern end of Stockton Beach this Friday from 1.30pm. Condolences to 'Thommo's' family members and friends during these sad times. May 'Thommo' Rest in Peace.

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It was also sad to hear former Walcha Council Water and Sewer Operator Shane Styles was killed when part of a tree fell on him while he was cutting firewood. Condolences to the family and friends of Shane and may he Rest in Peace.

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Congratulations to the three local gymnasts who performed well at the NSW Country Gymnastics Championships held at Armidale recently. Competing in the Rhythmic Division of the Championships Georgina Arundale-Fuller won a Gold medal in the Ball section and a Silver in the Clubs at Level 3. Palesa McMillan gained a Gold in Freehand and Bronze in Hoops at Level 2, while Lily Cook picked up a Silver in the Hoops and Bronze in Freehand also at Level 2. Good on ya girls.

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The Walcha/Uralla Rugby League Club will be conducting their annual Sponsors Day and Ladies Charity Auction this Saturday where they are looking for good attendances at both. All Club Sponsors are invited to a BBQ lunch from 12 noon at Peter Fenwicke Oval prior to the Jillaroos taking on Bingara at 1.00pm.

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Later at the Bowling Club the Jillaroos guernseys will be auctioned with all proceeds going to Rize Up Australia, an organisation speaking against Domestic Violence and the Walcha Hospital Auxiliary. Entertanment for the night is in the hands of Charlie Fittler. Everyone is welcome to come along and support a couple of worthy charities. Hope to see you there.

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Well he has gone and done it again. Pakington Street the Walcha Wonder-dog went back to back last Saturday when he won for the second week in succession at Dubbo beating Moonshine Bonnie comfortably after completing his 400 metre journey in 23:08 seconds. Pakington Street is trained in Dubbo by co-owner Paul Wasson and his wife Leanne while the majority of the other 12 co-owners live here locally. He has now won over \$9,000 from eleven starts. Which includes three wins, two seconds and a third. Good boy.

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With seven rounds remaining in the NRL local Tipping Competitions we are getting down to the pointy end. At the Bowling Club Kyle Goodwin is in the drivers seat sitting on top with 210 points followed by David 'LJ' Hooker 202, Carley Goodwin 200, Hannah Byrne 198, Jules Hall, Stephen 'Normie' Goodwin, Darren Bird and Darrell 'Bikie' Brazel 196. In breaking news Tracey Crisp and her brother AJ Cross are both on 180 in their little competition within the main competition.

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At the Apsley Arms Hotel 'Normie' Goodwin leads on 201 from Lachie Moran 193, Tigeroos Coach Scotty Swain 191, and Ian Cameron 189 who was the only Apsley tipster to correctly pick the card last week. At the BC Lynne Watts, Debbie Richards, Carly Goodwin and Ian 'Snow' Bird picked the card. No bonus points were awarded because there weren't eight games played during Round 20.

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At the time of going to print the Newie cards hadn't been marked but after Round 19 Dal Evans was on top with 198, ahead of Liam Brennan 194 and Charlotte Lyon 186.

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Goulburn Junior Stockman Rugby League Player Tom Handsaker was recently selected in the Canberra Raiders Vikings U/18's squad to tour New Zealand late last week. Tom's old man Garry was a member of the Walcha Joeys 1987 Group 19 Rugby League Premiership winning team.

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New exhibition opens at WGoA

Locals enjoyed an opening and tasting night at Walcha Gallery of Art last Friday night. The Exhibition was Craft + Art, a collaboration of craft beer and prints. Local artists Gemma King, Julia Griffin and Steve King exhibited their works and there was some excellent beer on hand to taste from the New England Brewing Co.





Local artist Gemma King (Centre) with Pru Barclay (nee Rutherford) and Sally Rutherford.



Bruce Rutherford catches up with Julia Griffin





Far left, top: Ben Rylands from New England Brewing Co. and Felicity Hurt, and below Guy Lord and Miles Archdale. Left: Libby Makeham and Rosie Tooth. Above: Noel Henry, Janelle Archdale and Michael Young

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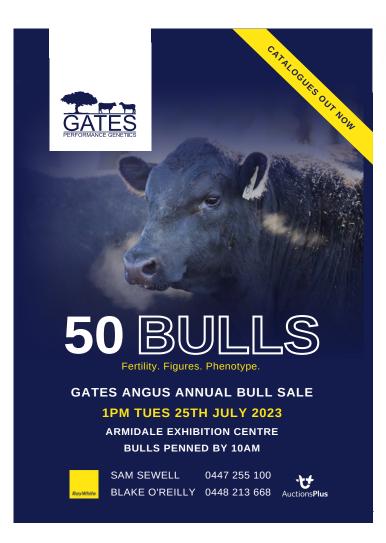
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Walcha/Uralla Rugby League **Sponsors Day**

LADIES CHARITY **AUCTION**

Saturday 22 July Walcha-Uralla v Bingara

Sponsors invited to a BBQ Lunch 12 noon at Peter Fenwicke Oval prior to the games

Ladies League Tag 1.00pm Mens 2.00pm CHARITY AUCTION - Held at Walcha Bowling Club......5.30pm

Entertainment after the Auction 'Charlie Fittler'

Charities this year are Rize Up Australia (An organisation supporting families impacted by Domestic Violence) and also a local charity the Walcha Hospital Auxiliary. All proceeds (after











By Eric the Spider

A perfect day for rugby set the scene for the Walcha Rams must win match against the Scone Brumbies on Saturday. The game started with Walcha receiving the kickoff and getting straight into their setup. The Rams put a number of phases together early on before kicking for territory forcing Scone to play deep in their own half. Some good defence from Walcha forced a turnover giving them an excellent platform to attack from. After holding the ball and continuously asking questions of the Scone defence Patty Keen managed to break a few tackles and force his way over for the first try of the match. Walcha 7 Scone 0.

Walcha failed to regain the following restart inviting Scone into their end. The Scone side used a number of their big ball runners in an attempt to break the Walcha defence. Some spirited tackling from Harry King and Ross Monie wasn't enough to keep the Scone attack out, with Scone scoring their first try of the match. Walcha 7 Scone 7. As the half wore on the Walcha side began to throw the ball around more, sensing the big Scone forward pack beginning to tire. After a well worked set piece from the forwards the ball was spun back to the blindside where "the ugly keen" managed to make a break before offloading in the tackle to his centre partner Eddy Cordingley who dotted the ball down in the corner. This was the first of 2 first half tries to Eddy as the second came in similar fashion running a direct line slicing through the Scone defence from close range. The halftime score Walcha 17 Scone 14.

After a halftime pep talk the Walcha boys came out the sheds firing, getting off the line and rattling the Scone attack. Dom Bower was seen stinging out of the line chewing a few ankles off, as well as Joel Ballon throwing his big body into the Scone defence. This big defensive effort resulted in a Scone mistake, inviting the Rams onto the attack. After a well executed line out the forwards went to work sucking on the Scone defence and inching their way toward the try line. Sione was too big and strong for the Scone defence powering his way over in close. Walcha 22 Scone 14. A well won scrum by the Walcha forward pack deep in their own half saw Wally Davidson peel off the back and shoot away up the right hand touch line. After fending off 2 would be Scone defenders Wally dived over the line for an excellent solo try. Walcha 27 Scone 14. Walcha were beginning to look comfortable in attack spreading the ball wide and setting their pace men loose. After a some great lead up phases by the Walcha Rams forward pack the ball was spun wide in a well worked backline move which saw Jim Boyd cross for an excellent try. Walcha 34 Scone 14. Matty Tisdell had a great game behind the forward pack providing service for the backs. A big effort from Tom Hoy and Sam Colwell who both played 80 minutes. Walcha ended up being too strong for the Scone side. Not a perfect performance from the Rams but a well earned bonus point win which boosts them up into 4th position on the ladder.

Next week the Rams take on Moree away which will be a big test for the boys. Points: 3 Joel Ballon, 2 Wally Davidson, 1 Ed Churchill. P.Plaver Joel Ballon

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Wednesday Golf

Wednesday's Golf was a stableford round playing for Ruth Fletcher's trophy. With the kinder weather we had a good roll up of players. Lorraine Walshe was the winner with an excellent score of 41 points.

Sweepstakes were won by Rose Baumer 36 points, Barb Mulligan 34, Simone Sweeney 33, Vicki Heffernan 33, and Penny King also on 33 points.

Ruth also provided trophies for the front and back nines. The winner on the front nine was our newest player, Maddie Lance with 19 points, and the back nine winner was Pip Monie clocking up 21 points. Vicki Heffernan took out NTP on 3, and no-one reached the sand on 16.

Today we are playing stroke, along with putting, monthly mug, and it will be the fourth Medal round for a trophy donated by Marg Parsons.

At the Nineteenth

Last Sunday a 4BBB Medley was played for trophies donated by Max Holstien and Bill Heazlett, where the consistent Michael Stackman teamed up with 'Molley dooker' Jamie Bowden to win the event after they accumulated 45 stableford points.

Just a point behind them were sweepstake winners Simone Sweeney, Lee and Ruth Fletcher, Jed Witting and Sam Churchill. A the pins were Andrew Robertson (3) Ross King (9) Lee Fletcher (16) and David Sweeney (18).

Last Saturday, club Life Member Max Holstein survived a countback with Vicki Heffernan to take out the weekly 9 hole competition after both players racked up 18 stableford points. N.T.P on 3 to Vicki Heffernan.

Last Sunday President Allan Green and Captain Will Brennan represented Walcha at the Gunnedah Open where they notched up 33 points, well behind the leading score of 46 points when they headed for home.

Next Sunday is a stableford round where Kyle Goodwin is in charge of supplying the prize.

Ladies Bowls

On a glorious Thursday morning last week eight ladies attended bowls and played two games of pairs. Janice Rizzi and Sari Andrews defeated Carmel Ryan and June Hayes 20-7, while the other game was close and resulted in Janet Goodwin and Jan Cross winning 10-8 over Marg Tickle and Esther Hunt.

This Thursday after Bowls is our monthly meeting commencing at 1.00pm.

Bowls

Dads Army: Ten players played in the Thursday afternoon comp. A game of Triples and a game of Pairs was played with both results hard to believe. In Triples, John Watts, John McCormack and Adam Hall led 14-5 after ten ends when Peter Hayes, Eric O'Keefe scored eight shots to take the score to 14-13 but couldn't keep going, eventually losing when John and Co won 16-15.

In the Pairs, Barry Kliendienst and Warwick Hogan raced away to lead 26-0 against Noel Goodwin and Geoff Salt before they scored their first point. Noel and Geoff only scored three more points to lose 33-4. Barry and Warwick won the chooks and the raffles were won by Max Holstein, Peter Hayes and John Watts.

Rugby League

The Walcha/Uralla club travelled to Glen Innes where they played Round 12 of the Group 19 Rugby League and Ladies League Tag competitions against the Magpies at Mead Park.

In the main game the homeside ran in two converted tries to shoot to a 12-0 advantage after 12 minutes, before the visitors responded with an unconverted touchdown to utility player Cooper Boyd midway through the opening stanza. Glen Innes increased their lead to 18-4 with their third converted try which they held up to right on halftime, only to see Boyd cross for his second, leaving the score 18-8 when oranges were taken.

Early in the second session five eighth Jack Doran touched down, followed by Josh Clarke a few minutes later. When

fullback Shauib Rhodes-Swain raised the flags on both occasions the Tigeroos hit the front 20-18. Lock Brody Dexter put his team in good field position with a 30m run leading up to the Clarke try.

The Magpies responded with two quick converted tries to lead 30-20 after 20 minutes of the second half before front rower Michael Moran reduced the deficit with a try. When Rhodes-Swain converted the Tigeroos trailed 30-26. With 15 minutes remaining in the fixture the visitors drew level at 30-all through an unconverted try to centre Josh Dailey and that's the way scores remained until the fulltime hooter. Best and Fairest: Group 3 Magpies Jamie Watts (four tries), 2 Jack Doran, 1 Michael Moran and 1 Brett Pedlow.

Jillaroos

The Jillaroos were defeated 20-2 by Glen Innes last Sunday after leading 2-0 midway through the first half from a penalty goal to Jojo Matapakia. Glen Innes hit back with two converted tries before halftime to hold a 12-2 advantage at the main break. The hosts increased their lead to 20-2 with two unconverted tries in the first nine minutes of the second stanza and from that point on the scoreboard attendants weren't bothered.

On a positive note it is great to see Jillaroos Captain Nicola Hoy back on the field after recovering from a broken arm she suffered back in Round 7.

Best and Fairest: Group 2 Shae Partridge (also 3 club points and Players Player which she shared with Finlai Bird), 2 Kirra Lee Murphy, 1 Alisha Dillon.

This Saturday is Sponsors Day and Ladies Charity Auction, while on the field the Tigeroos take on Bingara at Peter Fenwicke Oval after the Jillaroos kick the action off at 1pm.

Darts

Last Thursday at the Newie we played a couple of rounds of doubles. Champs for the night were Lisa Swanton and Neil Dark coming away with \$60, 2nd Leanne Presnell and Emma Hillier with \$30 and 3rd Robert Stuart and Tim Partridge with \$20. High scores for the night were Glenn Olrich with 100 and Neil Dark with 100 and 67 peg out.

This week we head to the Apsley Hotel. Everyone is welcome, \$5.00 to play, names in by 7.00pm.



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Meetings

Little Athletics Committee formation meeting, Wednesday 16 August, 6:30pm at the Apsley Arms Hotel. Elyce Laurie 0448 165 284, Jess Williams 0418 827 088.

Walcha Support Group Inc. Thursday 27
July 1.00pm WCCC Rooms Middle Street.
All Welcome.

Walcha Town and Country Club AGM, Wednesday 26 July 6pm Apsley Arms Hotel. New Members Welcome

Thank you

Shane Styles 03.08.1960 – 06.07.2023

Debby, Josh, Nicole, Ryan, Kat, Rod, and Carlotta would like to thank everyone for the phone calls, cards and sympathy expressed on the passing of Shane. Many thanks also for the kindness and empathy shown to the family by the Walcha Police Officers, the SES members, and the Ambulance Paramedics.

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Saturday 29 July

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Draft Waste Strategy on Public Exhibition and Waste Collections Calendar 2023 – 2024



Council's draft Waste Strategy is now out on public exhibition and we would like your feedback. The draft Strategy is available on Council's website via our News page. Submissions should be addressed to the General Manager via council@walcha.nsw.gov.au by COB Friday 28 July 2023.

The distribution of the Waste Collections Calendar for 2023 – 2024 will be delayed until all community feedback on the draft Waste Strategy has been received and considered. Until then, collections for July and August 2023 will continue on Thursdays as normal, see dates below. Hard copies are also available over the counter at our Customer Services Centre.

Collections*	July 2023				
General (Red)	6th	13th	20th	27th	
Green Waste (Green)	6th				
Recycling (Yellow)		13th		27th	
	August 2023				
Collections*		Aug	just 2	2023	
Collections* General (Red)	3rd	Aug 10th		2 023 24th	31st
	3rd 3rd				31st 31st

* All Collections are on Thursdays, unless otherwise notified.

Public Notices cont

Walcha Council Scheduled Tree work



Walcha Council will be undertaking scheduled tree work from 24/7/23 to 7/8/2023 in the following areas:

- North Street Robinia Moptop crown reduction and reshape
- General Cemetery (niche garden) crown reduction, raising and thinning
- Middle Street Sucker removal on all trees
 – minor crown raising and thinning
- John Oxley Oval several medium trees minor crown raising

Enquiries, please call Council on 6774 2500.

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Walcha Council Water Meter Reading



Walcha Council will be conducting Water meter reading the week of 24/7/23.

Council would appreciate if your meter box could be cleared of all overgrown vegetation and any other obstructions; around and above the meter box; before the next round of readings.

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To Anne, Sam and Ange at the Walcha Post Office for going above and beyond with all our banking needs.

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Sunday 23 11.00am - Close

12.00pm Bistro open

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