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Cameron Hayton has just returned from the world's largest coffee roasting competition with a swag of medals for his renowned Walcha Coffee.

Cameron entered seven of his blends in the prestigious awards and returned with two silver and three bronze medals. "These awards mean the world to us at Walcha Coffee. Winning medals in the Golden Bean competition for the second year running is a testament to the hard work and passion poured into every batch," he

Walcha Coffee's success in this international competition for two consecutive years speaks volumes. In their inaugural year, 2022, they clinched two prestigious bronze medals out of six entries.

Cameron established Walcha Coffee only three years ago which was fuelled by his love for exceptional coffee. To reach the heights of this international competition in such a short time highlights his commitment to quality in every batch. He sources the finest specialty-grade coffee beans and then meticulously roasts them to deliver a cup that embodies the essence of our town. "Walcha Coffee's success isn't just about brewing the perfect cup; it's about fostering pride and unity within our community," Cameron said.

"It's not just about the medals; it's about the pride we take in crafting exceptional coffee. This recognition motivates our team to continue pushing boundaries and sharing the best of Walcha with coffee lovers everywhere." Cameron commneted.

"Winning awards like this really puts Walcha Coffee on the international stage. To win these medals especially silvers against some of the greatest roasters in the global industry is a huge feat for a small-town company like ours."

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around the traps



By MAT LARKINGS

As I sat down to write this week's edition of *The Traps* with Simon taking a well-earned break, my initial thoughts were to speak of the recent change in weather. The country has responded quickly, particularly the improved country with many livestock producers rushing out to vaccinate livestock to protect from pulpy kidney. Who would have thought that was going to be an issue four weeks ago!

Myself, like many, have taken to constantly following Weather Apps and models particularly when it has been dry for an extended period. The managing director of the Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA), Mr Jason Strong, touched on this recently at the MLA update in Bendigo, in his words "Beware of the weaponisation of El Nino and rainfall forecasts". I feel he has hit the nail on the head with this sentiment.

Livestock indicators were down year on year about 50%, however many have risen 20/25% in the last 25 days. With feedlots, particularly smaller privately owned operations with less access to backgrounding cattle are seemingly scrambling to fill space with their rates becoming very fluid.

The wet weather has certainly brought with it some challenges on local roads, with the Moonbi Gap Road presenting quite a few challenges last week with delays lasting for several hours. It is a timely reminder with the Christmas holidays fast approaching for everybody to take extra care on the roads, particularly in wet weather conditions.

A massive congratulations must go to the organisers of the "Walcha Bike Rally" earlier this month. This event is certainly gaining traction with the town overflowing with motorcycle enthusiasts from all over the country, as far afield as Tasmania. With well over 1500 ticket holders going through the Showgrounds, it was great to see bikers patronising all the local shops throughout the event injecting money directly into the community. Certainly a highlight for me and more so my children was the bike parade. Jack Field was a very popular attraction keeping the crowd entertained with his impressive range of skills. Let's hope this event continues to grow and showcase this wonderful part of the country.

Tamworth cattle market on Monday saw an additional 300 cattle yarded to make up to 1150 cattle with all grades selling to dearer trends, with lighter store cows showing the biggest improvement in price. The sheep and lamb market followed the cattle trend with improvements on all categories with the standout being the completion on restocker type new season lambs with locals keenly bidding to take advantage of recent growth in the paddocks. The 8th December will see the last store cattle sale of the year with the 18 December being the last prime cattle and sheep/lamb sale. They will return to action on the 8 January 2024 for prime sale and 19 January 2024 for the store sale.

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Kelly completes Pharmacy qualifications

Kelly Wolfe is now a fully registered Pharmacist after completing her Internship recently and is now registered with the governing body AHPRA.

After four years study to obtain her degree, Kelly embarked on the practical component of her Internship Training Program (ITP) with King's Pharmacy 12 months ago and recently completed all components of the training program through Sydney University. "I travelled to Sydney four times during the year for workshops and training, and had to complete multiple exams and assessments to pass the ITP," Kelly said. She also had to pass the oral and written exams from AHPRA and the Australian Pharmacy Council.

She has really enjoyed working with the team at King's Pharmacy during the year. "It has been really good having Mat and Amber to answer my questions, and all of the staff have been supportive and helpful," she commented.

Kelly will now work three days a week at King's Pharmacy, joining Pharmacists Mathew Barwick and Amber Poflotski. "Pharmacy is growing so much these days and the Pharmacy has recently been selected to participate in the UTI and Oral Contraceptive trials by the NSW Government," Kelly explained.

UTI trial: King's Pharmacy can provide treatment for uncomplicated urinary tract infections (UTIs) in women aged from 18 to 65 years (inclusive) as part of the NSW Pharmacy Trial. You are eligible for UTI treatment if you are displaying symptoms consistent with an uncomplicated UTI, which may include burning or stinging (hurting) when you urinate, or a frequent or urgent need to urinate.

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Kelly (centre) is congratulated by Mathew Barwick and the team at King's Pharmacy

two years by a doctor (GP) or nurse practitioner. If you have run out of repeats, or your prescription (script) has expired but was issued in the last two years, you are still eligible.

"These consults are free, you simply need to pay for your medication," Kelly said.

Other services: King's Pharmacy will be offering the Moderna Omnicron 1.5 vaccines from 8 December, and you can book or simply walk in. "We also offer a free Meds Check where we can do an annual review of your medication and chat to you about any questions, or concerns that you may have with your medication," Kelly said. This is for diabetics and those who have more than five medications.



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letters to the editor

Nominate now for Australia Day awards

There is no need to remind readers of The Advocate that Christmas is nearly upon us. That also means Australia Day is drawing closer and the newly appointed Australia Day Committee is actively planning for the annual Breakfast in the Park at which we present Walcha's Australia Day awards.

The committee wishes to draw all Walcha residents attention to the ads in recent Advocates calling for nominations for these awards. Please put your thinking caps on and nominate someone you consider worthy of receiving an award for:

- · Citizen of the Year.
- · Young Citizen of the Year
- · Sportsperson of the Year
- · Young Sportsperson of the Year
- · Community Group, Organisation or Event of the Year

These awards are a highlight of the Australia Day celebrations at the breakfast and give Walcha residents the chance to acknowledge some of those who have contributed or who have achieved within our community.

So please pick up a form at the Council office or go online at walcha. nsw.gov.au/walcha-australia-day-awards/ fill it in and return to the council before 20 December. And also mark 26 January in your 2024 diary to attend the breakfast at McHattan Park.

Don Murchie

Toys for treatment 'Giving Back Week'

This December, local chiropractor Dr Samantha Goor is joining chiropractors from the Australian Chiropractors Association (ACA) in hosting 'Giving Back Week' to help families in need this Christmas.

Walcha Chiropractic Centre have partnered with The Salvation Army to host 'Giving Back Week' in conjunction with their annual Toys for Treatment Day. The clinic will be asking patients to donate gifts to the value of a consultation in lieu of payment on Tuesday 5 December or donate gifts throughout the week.

The generous donations can be made in the form of new, unwrapped toys, non-perishable food, hygiene products, gift cards or cash donations. There's no limit to how you can help your community this Christmas.

Those without an appointment during the week are also welcomed to contribute. Walcha Chiropractic Centre will be receiving donations for the whole week and welcome all donations from the local community.

"Any contribution, whether big or small, will be greatly appreciated and go a long way in helping members of the community in need this Christmas," Dr Samantha Goor said.

These items will be delivered by The Salvation Army in time for Christmas, to less fortunate children and families in the local area, to make their Christmas a truly special one.

"The power to make a child smile and help relieve the burden on a family during Christmas is a great one, so join us this Giving Back Week/Toys for Treatment Day, and help us uplift our community this festive season."

For further details please contact Walcha Chiropractic Centre, 109w Fitzroy St, Walcha on 6777 1340.

Sam back in 2021 loading up with her patients generous donations.



St Pat's kids having fun in the outdoors

Last week, the Year 3 – 4 students of St Patrick's Primary School had an amazing opportunity to visit the Thalgarrah Environmental Education Centre.

It was an action packed two days with a number of team-work activities kicking off the adventure. This included placing a dragon's egg in a nest using handheld ramps over twenty metres, as well as attempting to get all of members of their group to use mats to move from one to location to the other without touching the ground or letting go of their mat. This proved to be a challenge for some groups, especially Tom L and Ryan who were left stranded by their team-mates.

After lunch, the students orienteering skills were tested as they had to use a compass and a map to find 18 checkpoints throughout the centre. All groups managed to find 17 of the checkpoints but were unable to find the last one due to a mistake from our camp leader.

Following afternoon tea the students were back in the paddock playing 'tribes and territories', where they had to find a totem hidden by their opposing team, retrieve it and attempt to make their way back to their camp without getting tagged. This proved to be very challenging for some as there were a number of students who hid among the trees, while others preferred to attack and run into their opposition's territory

attempting to find the 'prized icon'.

The first day ended by having sausages, meatballs and chicken kebabs for dinner.

On the second day, the students had the opportunity to get up close and personal with insects, carpet snakes and cockatiels as well as having the chance to scratch the back of a bearded dragon. Then it was time again to go back into the paddock to find some leaves, moss, flowers and small animals to view under a microscope. The morning session finished off exploring the shapes of various seeds and how the wind can help them to spread to different locations.

It was a great two days and thank you to Mrs Healey who was called in at the last minute to assist with supervising, as well as all of the Year 3 – 4 students who were a pleasure to take on this experience.









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From dumb deal to done deal

John Heffernan & Voice for Walcha

Yep, I'm banging on again. But I have to, because the negatives of wind power are surfacing at such a rapid rate that it's too serious to ignore any more, making wind power look like a really dumb deal. Let me give you a taste of what I mean.

I've already mentioned the Edinburgh University study of 350 UK wind farms having performance problems threatening bail outs of about £30 billion. Turns out it could be even worse for Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands. Then there's the Edinburgh Uni study revealing widespread premature ageing in heaps of Denmark's larger (2 to 8MW) onshore and offshore turbines. Even more overwhelming is the world-wide study of industrial wind projects from the year 2000 to 2020 by the Pusan National University of Korea. It found multiple negative impacts for wind power, including: widespread market volatility, increasing energy costs, government subsidies, turbine efficiency problems, decreases in house values, transition to grid difficulties, plus environmental negatives.

A ten year Swedish study of 4300 wind turbines in 2021 by Stockholm's Royal Institute of Technology also revealed negative impacts of wind turbines on property values, especially so for large turbines and for large clusters of turbines. Harvard University, using data from almost 58,000 turbines, found support for a nasty little wind conundrum: first, it found that to be truly effective wind farms needed up to 20 times more land than previously thought necessary; but secondly, that such large-scale projects would actually raise continental surface temperatures by 0.24 degrees Celsius. Great for global warming, eh? Meanwhile, Siemens Gamesa has encountered quality issues with components in its onshore turbine fleet, including rotor blade and bearing problems, while in 2020 Vestas flagged quality issues with turbine blades in its onshore fleet, needing an extra 600 million euros to fix them. Hang on, won't they be making our turbines? Hardly assuring!

Such mounting woes make it little wonder that wind developers are starting to worry big time. Mega wind farm manufacturer Siemens Energy has had to be saved with a loan and financial package by the German government worth 15 billion euros. Denmark's Orsted Company has scrapped plans for two large wind farms off the coast of New Jersey, copping a near US\$6 billion write-off. Britain's latest round of new offshore wind farm subsidy auctions has failed to attract any bidders, and Swedish developer Vattenfall halted its huge Norfolk Boreas offshore wind farm in July this year.

Grim stuff, eh? And it's getting grimmer, especially for our overseas mates. But if you're wondering what Walcha can expect, watch Down Wind, the video of the turbine tsunami that's swamped Ontario, Canada. (Link below). It's longish and overdone in a kind of American way, but what an eye-opener! "They don't run on Wind, They run on Subsidies".

At least at present for us there is some positivity in this numbing nightmare: We can Learn from their errors and choose not to to stumble where they have fallen. The big question is: Will we do anything? Are we smart enough to see the writing on the wall, to heed the warnings and face the facts? And can we be united enough to act?

We have a chance to do that this week, to tell some big wigs from the Department of Planning and Environment how we feel about the socio-economic and environmental nightmare being brewed for us, a chance we'd be mugs to miss. This Thursday 30th, 5.30, Walcha Vet Supplies. Be there, Walcha, if you want to stop a truly dumb deal from becoming a done deal. It's your choice.

Here's that Canadian video link:

https://newmedia91.wordpress.com/2023/11/20/down-wind-is-an-explosive-documentary-that-uncovers-the-hidden-truths-behind-ontarios-wind-energy-industry/

Christmas Gathering coming up in Woolbrook

Woolbrook and District Progress Association Inc. was formed back in 2021 to run events for the enjoyment of the Community as well as raising funds to go towards improving the community and its assets.

In May 2022 WADPA Inc became an incorporated body and with some donations from committee members and some seed funding from a previous event to secure Public Liability Insurance, WADPA was up and running.

The first event was the 'Welcome Back to Woolbrook' event last January which was well attended and served as the catalyst for further events. After all the drought, bushfires and COVID times the community needed to reconnect.

The next event was the 'Royal Themed Trivia Night' held back in May. A great night of fun, although we had a bit of competition on the night due to the Coronation of King Charles III and another concert in the area. Christmas in July was also a very successful night.

The Woolbrook Christmas Gathering at the Woolbrook Hall is on Wednesday 13th December at 5.30pm. BYOG and food. BBQ facilities are available. Please bring a side salad or dessert to share. Christmas carols and a singalong will follow.



Walcha Carols coming up

With Christmas now just around the corner, Walcha's Carols by Candlelight is fast approaching on Tuesday 12 December.

Hosted by Walcha Rotary Club, this is a wonderful community event which brings together young and old to join the joy of singing Christmas Carols in the beautiful setting of McHattan Park.

A community BBQ will kick off around 6pm with free sausage sandwiches and soft drinks. Steak sandwiches will be available to purchase.

Electric candles and songbook will also be available to purchase for \$2 (returnable at the end of the night please). So mark your calendar and bring a chair to jingle along! Santa will be busy elsewhere supervising the elves and reindeers.

Carols start at 7pm-ish. Both schools will have singers on stage and the usual group of adult Walcha singers will be in full swing.

A new pianist this year is Michael Batt from Uralla Rotary. He is transitioning from rock 'n' roll to carols. The audience will be singing along which adds much to the enjoyment of the evening.

thumbs

- To Bill and Trish at the Walcha Newsagency for the surprise I got on Monday.
- To the Quota Markets. It's so good to have you back.
- To the Council's new website, it looks great and the information

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with A.I Cross

Sad to hear former L.P. Cross and Company truck driver and Walcha Council employee Philip 'Paddles' Chandler left this world last weekend. Condolences to Philip's wife Olive, all other family members and his many friends. Anyone who knew 'Paddles' would be aware he loved wearing Hawaiian shirts no matter what time of the year and are encouraged to farewell him by wearing bright colours next Monday 4th December, 2.30pm at Piddington's Armidale. May Philip Roy Chandler Rest in Peace.

Congratulations to 'Winterbourne' resident and PLC School student Stephanie Blake on qualifying for the National All Schools Athletic Championships after she ran second in her 15 years 400 metre event at the recent NSW titles held at the Sydney Olympic Stadium Homebush. Steph stopped the clock at just over a minute and is excited to be representing NSW at the Nationals in Perth on 8th December where her goal is to break the one minute mark. Go gettum Steph.

Last weekend Walcha Central School athlete Blaine Cooney represented NSW at the National PSSA Championships in Launceston Tasmania where he finished 8th in the 11 Years Discus event. Blaine tossed the discus 35.35 metres in the final, 10 metres behind the eventual winner Victorian Levi Dayaseela with 45.34 metres. To finish 8th in Australia is a great effort Blaine.

Had the pleasure of attending the wedding of Wayne and Cecilia Brennan at the picturesque Copmanhurst Sport and Recreation Reseve last Saturday. During the ceremony the weather became threatening, especially some dark clouds in the west where one of the guests Janelle Brennan thought she saw a flash of lightning at one stage. Janelle need not have worried too much as the flash she spotted was from a camera taking a few happy snaps.

The early bird gets the worm ... or in the case the sausage roll! Walcha Council employee Ian Kerr was mowing John Oxley Sportsground the other day when he left a sausage roll (or two) on the table before doing a couple of laps on the mower to fill in time until his meal break. When the

inaugural 1996 Apex Walcha Races footrace winner returned to the table he found a Magpie had polished off his tucker but was courteous enough to leave the tomato sauce.

No cricket last weekend due to the rain but the Saturday before Daniel Boyd registered an unbeaten ton in Armidale after leaving his cricket clothes at home. Daniel reckons he batted in his shorts and a shirt he borrowed from team mate Nick Endacott while bringing up his century. Wonder if it would work again next time Daniel!

Current Armidale and District cricket ladders 2nd Grade: TAS 20, Hillgrove 20, Walcha/Uralla 17, Easts 15, Ex Services 15, Armidale City 11. 3rd Grade: Easts Green 23, Easts Gold 23, Hillgrove 17, Guyra 17, Walcha/Uralla 16, TAS 13 and City 10.

Inclement weather delayed the start of the Walcha Swimming Club season last week and going on the weather forecast yesterday there was a chance Flippers could have been postponed for yet another week. Registrations for the 2023/24 season are now open and for more information please contact walchaflippersswimmingclub@gmail.com or phone 0400 931 514.

Gee those Walcha Bowling Club Fishing Club members don't like to share the prizes around much. I read with interest in last week's Advocate that when the club held their recent Presentation Day that out of the 19 major trophies ther were only eight individual winners — the majority multiple.

There is possibly half a chance Abbie Marshall may have mentioned to her old man Graham that she scored 2899.5 pts to win the Girl Champion Freshwater trophy while 'Gutty' racked up less, 2713.5 points to take out the Men's Freshwater Champion. Bragging rights for the next 12 months Ab

WALCHA COUNCIL

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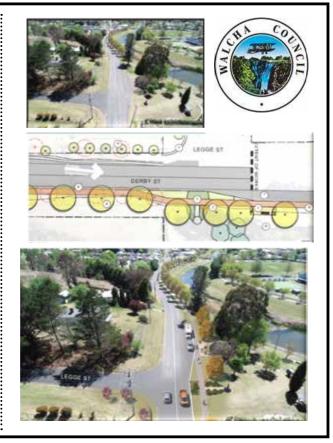
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Please come along and see the design plans for the North & South Derby Street road upgrade project.

We encourage questions & welcome feedback to the team that will be available all day.

PHILLIP HOOD, GENERAL MANAGER WALCHA COUNCIL





Ladies Bowls

The semi-finals of the Ivy Makeham Singles was played last Thursday with junior bowler Sari Andrews defeating Esther Hunt 19 – 11 and Lyn Burnell defeating Janice Rizzi 22 – 15. The final will be played this Thursday 30th November between Sari Andrews and Lyn Burnell with marker June Hayes.

Also last Thursday a game of pairs was played with the result being Rosie Aiken and Lee McCoy winning over Ellie Pullen and Carmel Ryan 14 – 9.

There will be social bowls this week for those not playing in the final of the Ivy Makeham Singles.

Our Presentation Day is Thursday 14 December cost is \$25 which includes bowls and lunch and we has also invited the men to join us for the day.

There is a sheet on the both the ladies and men's board to put your name down on for catering purposes. Names have to be in by 7 December.

At the Nineteenth

A modest field of 13 players teed off in a stableford round for a trophy donated by Michael Stackman last Sunday, where Jamie Bowden accumulated 30 points to collect the prize.

Sweepstakes went to Will Nicholls and Jenny Lisle both 29 Don Brooks and Barry Hoad both 28.

Sharpest shooter at the third pin was Club President Allan Green, while no player was clever enough to reach the beach on the 16th.

The Eagles Nest sponsored by Darks Plumbing was robbed by Will Nicholls after he eagled the eighth hole. Last Saturday's 9 hole competition was called off due to inclement weather.

This Sunday is a stableford round for a prize supplied by 'Mollydooker' Jamie Bowden and don't forget the annual Ann Berry Memorial 3 person Ambrose is scheduled for the following Saturday 9 December, with a 9.30am register for a 10.00am shotgun start.

Then Sunday 10 December is presentation night following a 4BBB Medley where the trophies will be donated by New England Accountants Tax Service. Tee off time that day is at the later time of 1.00pm.

Bowls

Dads Army: Two games of triples were played on Thursday afternoon and the scores were very close in both games.

Gordon Bird, John McCormack and Noel Goodwin won the chooks as well as their game when they defeated Barry Kliendienst, Eric O'Keefe and Geoff Salt 15-12.

Tony Asmus, Mick Bullen and Peter Hayes won the second game 17 – 15 against Brian Goodwin, John Watts and Neil Dark. The lead changed several times during the game.

Twilight: The two weeks of games since my last report has seen several close matches, which keeps the point score very interesting.

Chopping over the ditch



Local axeman, Mitchell Scrivener, has recently returned from New Zealand where he competed at the 2023 Christchurch Show

Selected as part of an eight man NSW Axemen's Association representative team, he competed in individual events along with a tri-series of races which saw NSW take on New Zealand South Island. The team had a successful trip winning the series 3 – 0, with Mitch on the stocksaw for the first two of these Trans Tasman races, and cutting an underhand in the third.

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Robert & Amy and Daniel.
Loved great-grandmother of Hazel & Lily.

Aged 89 Years

Funeral Service to be held at Piddington's Funeral Chapel Uralla Road, Armidale on Wednesday 29th November 2023 commencing at 10:00am, followed by a private family Interment at Walcha Beam Cemetery.

Piddington's AFDA 6772 2288

CHANDLER: Philip Roy 'Paddles' 25th November 2023

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Jenny Bowden & Matt Hamel and
uncle of their families.

Aged 74 years.

Family and friends of Philip are invited to wear bright colours.

Funeral service to be held at Piddingtons Funeral home, Uralla Road Armidale on Monday 4th December 2023 at 2.30pm.

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Council will OPEN the Off Creek Storage Facility on Saturday 2 December 2023 to the Public. For all of you who would like to see the new water storage dam please feel free to drop in from 10am.

The Ministers Address will commence at 11am. In attendance will be Barnaby Joyce MP, Federal Member for New England, and Adam Marshall MP, State Member for Northern Tablelands.

Phillip Hood, General Manager Walcha Council, PO Box 2, Walcha NSW

Walcha Garden Club CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Friday 1 December at Philip and Pam Dutton's garden 'Wyanga', 252 Gills Rd, Uralla. Cars will depart McHattan Park at 9am. BYO chair, cup and mug, gift or plant to exchange and a plate of food to share. Members are encouraged to invite guests. Enquiries: D Lisle 0429 799 083, J Hoy 0427 367 711.

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