Australia Day Nominations - Who will you Nominate?

Robert Smith receives the Sustainability Business Award in 2014.
NOMINATIONS CLOSE TOMORROW
FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2014

The Australia Day Award Categories for the Merriwa district are:

**Citizen of the Year** awarded to an individual or couple within the Merriwa district who is an inspirational role model and has made a significant contribution to the community in either a paid or unpaid capacity.

**Young Citizen of the Year** awarded to a resident within the Merriwa district under the age of 25 (as at 26 January 2015) who is an inspirational role model and has made a significant contribution to the community.

**Community Group of the Year** awarded to a group or team within the Merriwa district that has made an outstanding beneficial contribution over the past year. This may include staging a noteworthy event in the community, an outstanding sporting achievement by a team, or enhancing community spirit and pride through providing opportunities for participation and co-operation.

**Achiever of the Year** awarded to a resident/s (no more than two people) within the Merriwa district who has notably achieved in general or in a particular field. This may include sporting, community, professional or school achievements.

**Sustainability in Business** awarded to a business within the Merriwa district which is an inspirational role model in demonstrating best practice. This includes agricultural, manufacturing, financial, retail and all other types of business.

**Environmental Achievement** awarded to a resident/s within the Merriwa district who is an inspirational role model in protecting and enhancing the environment.

Nominate online at:
www.upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Printed Forms are available at all Upper Hunter Shire Council Administration Centres
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

We were proud to present your book awards that are kindly donated by our P and C.

Well done to:

**Year Kindergarten:** Shawn Smith  
**Year 1/2:** Mia Jacobs  
**Year 2/3:** Lachlan Sellers  
**Year 4/5:** Kyle Edens-Rosa  
**Year 5/6:** Nicholas Whitby

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**INTERSCHOOL ART CHALLENGE WORKSHOP**

Last Thursday 13 November students in Year 4 and 5 attended the Interschool’s Art Challenge Workshop at the Showground. Students attended an Indigenous art workshop where they learnt to paint traditional Aboriginal symbols and were able to create their own artwork using acrylic and canvas. Students all had a wonderful time and are very proud of their individual pieces. They will be on display in the primary campus foyer for all to enjoy. Thank you to Maria Cameron for all your organisation and extending the invitation to primary students to develop their art skills.

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**COMING EVENTS**

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The Year 1/2 class have had an extremely exciting and busy start to Term 4. Georgie Simmons returned from her family adventure around Australia with many tales to tell and she treated the class to a wonderful presentation about her trip along the Dinosaur Trail. Georgie brought in photos, books and artefacts for the class to see and touch! She guided us through her journey with photos, explaining the various fossils and replicas at museums and showed us the books that her family collected on the way. Then Georgie allowed the class to hold some of the fossils they collected at the dig sites on the trail. Everyone was very careful and had many questions to ask about the adventure. Many thanks to the Simmons family for sharing your amazing adventure with us!

Another exciting presentation the Year 1/2 class participated in was a visit from our local paramedic, John. In Health, the Year 1/2 class have been learning about local health providers such as the pharmacist and paramedics. John brought in the local ambulance and gave a wonderful presentation to the class about what a paramedic does to help people in the community. He also gave students the chance to see up close all the amazing equipment they use to save lives. A big thanks to John for coming to Merriwa Central School to visit us and a special thank you to Mrs Hagley for organising the visit.
Secondary News
VET FACULTY REPORT

The last few weeks have been busy with students completing assessments and exams in the VET faculty. Some interesting portfolios in metal, food and wood are being worked on and the practical side of projects are still to be finished.

On the careers front Year 10 are participating in one week of work experience in a range of industries this week. Merriwa Central School would like to thank the following employers for their generous support of our students who gain so many benefits from experiencing the real world of work.

Janaya Austin    Community Mutual
Jake Barry      Andrew Hobbs Building
Miranda Boland  Lenore Taylor Quilting
Georgia Cameron MacCallum Inglis
John Cronin     Merriwa Central School
Bethany Edens-Rosa Cross Country Mahindra
Abbey Haydon   Cassilis Public School
Demmi Hilton    St Josephs Primary Convent
Matthew Jacobs  Denman Engineering Pty Ltd
Teisha Keogh    Carmyle Veterinary Clinic
Emily Moult     Merriwa RSL Bistro
Jodie Mulholland Great Lakes Printing
Skye Nicholls  Muswellbrook District Hospital

Dimity Parker  Tourist Hotel Bistro
Clinton Rawlnson Monadelphous Pty Ltd
Loclain Schmidt Cowans Buses
Manda Sormaz    Curls and Swirls
Maddison Swan  Upper Hunter Shire Council
Robert Thorburn Anthea Wright Veterinary Services
Craig Walker   Hedweld Engineering Pty Ltd
Lachlan Walmsley CJ and JM Vero and Sons
Leah Wright Riley Sandy Hollow Public School

On November 20 from 3.30pm–4.15pm we have the first video conference for our Stage 6 students who are joining the virtual school, Aurora College next year. Aurora College students will connect with their teachers and classmates via a virtual learning environment. In most cases, this connection will be made with Adobe Connect 9.2 web conferencing software. Parents are invited to attend this video conference so that they can meet teachers, discuss how the school will operate next year and the opportunities that will be made available for their sons and daughters to maximise their learning potential.

We also have representatives from the Australian Defence Force visiting Merriwa Central School on November 25 at 12.05pm to talk to Years 9-12 regarding the types of careers available in the Australian Defence Force. If any parents would like to come along and hear this presentation please let the school know as you would be most welcome.

Year 9 students are working on their resumes

Favourite Subject: Science, Agriculture and Mathematics
Extra-Curricular activities: Horse riding, for competition and fun
Future Goals: To become a veterinarian/work with animals

Year Advisor’s Comment: Tiesha is a mature young lady who is well liked by her teachers and peers. She is a diligent and dedicated student in the classroom, but also involves herself in a range of extra-curricular activities which provides a nice balance. Recently she represented the school in the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza parading in both the Schools Steer Competition and in the 16 years paraders. Tiesha has an obvious passion for and way with animals and if she progresses in the field she hopes to, then she will make an excellent addition to the profession.

Lois Harrison
Year Advisor

Student of the Week
Tiesha Keogh
Year 10

Merriwa Ringer
in Careers and will continually update these documents as their skills and education progress. Resumes are dynamic documents and constantly change to meet the needs of career pathways that students choose to pursue. Many employers now require these documents to be uploaded to their websites when students are now applying for positions, so a current electronic copy is a necessity. As well as working hard for the best possible academic results at school, the students are being encouraged to take advantage of any extra curricula activities that the school offers or that are available in our local community. Often these are the criteria that make a student stand out from other applicants in the current competitive job market.
**NEW CAREER EVENTS**

**Year 12 2014 Students please note:** HSC students need their Student Number and PIN to access their: Assessment ranks from November 5-19, HSC results online or by SMS December 17 (pre-register for SMS now). Students should activate their Students Online account to create their PIN or find out how to change their PIN if forgotten. http://studentsonline.bos.nsw.edu.au/

**Year 11 2014 students:** Your grades for your Preliminary HSC subjects are available in My Details from Wednesday November 12. http://studentsonline.bos.nsw.edu.au/

**Entry Standards for Future Teachers from 2016**

Entrants for accredited undergraduate teaching degree will need: a minimum of three Band 5 HSC results, including one in English or to complete bridging units equivalent to a minimum of three Band 5 HSC results, including English, as approved by BOSTES before entry or to enter via an alternative pathway as advised by their university and approved by BOSTES. http://nswteachers.nsw.edu.au/about-us/news/raising-university-entry-standards-for-future-teachers/

**Australian Defence Force Information Sessions**
Newcastle Women in Defence December 2, 6.00pm, 528 Hunter Street, Newcastle. https://www.facebook.com/DefenceJobsAustralia/events

**Journalism diploma online Jschool Journalism College** Full-time or part-time. The course is nationally accredited and registered for VET-FEE-HELP. Areas studied include reporting and news writing, research methods, law and court reporting, political journalism, multimedia, reviewing, media history and issues and shorthand, with newsroom internship opportunities. Applications now accepted for course beginning in March 2015. For more information see Jschool’s website, www.jschool.com.au or email to inquiries@jschool.com.au

**Southern Cross University (SCU)** - For those considering study in 2015, SCU will hold Virtual Info Sessions and host on-campus Info Days at Coffs Harbour, Lismore and Gold Coast in December. Students unable to attend the SCU Info Days in person may find one of the interactive Virtual Info Sessions particularly relevant as it will give you the opportunity to sample some of the tools and technology available through the student portal. Visit www.scu.edu.au/scuiniday for further details.

If you require any further information about

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**Teacher Profile**

**Mr Chad Grant**

**ROAR - Respect - Ownership - Awareness - Rewards**

**Subject Area:** Everywhere

**What does ROAR mean to me:** ROAR provides me the opportunity to develop personal skills that are important to me while at the same time assisting responsible young men to push themselves to become the best they can be. I appreciate the chance to develop strong rapport with the members of ROAR, pass on and develop a love for physical activity that encourages them to maintain their health throughout their lives, act as a role model demonstrating the key components of the program through my own actions and watch young boys turn into men that will go on to make a difference in our community.

**Favourite player:** Ellyse Perry, international representative in both cricket and soccer, at the same time

**Best personal sporting achievement:** 22nd in the Dublin Mud-Pit Belly flop

**Who inspires you and why:** Eric Thomas, soothing voice

**Advice to young players:** Persistence in overcoming weaknesses.
Kindergarten’s Report

Term Four in Kindergarten has presented many learning opportunities. This Term we are learning about the Places We Know. We have discussed the many places we know and have identified places that we all know and places which are special to our families and ourselves which others may not know. The students have very clearly mapped the Bettington Street identifying the local businesses which serve our community.

We have also been learning how food gets from the Paddock to Plate. We have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the procedure of Dairy Farming. We have looked at many virtual forms of farm tours and interactive activities to learn the process of getting milk from the farm to the factory where different kinds of dairy products are made. We have also learnt the packaging process and how these products get to supermarket fridges. In addition to dairy products we explored the journey of the jelly bean, learning about sugarcane farming. We have looked at our lunchboxes and analysed what food is in them and where this food has come from, we are glad to say many of our food items are fresh so it makes it even easier to identify where it comes from!

As we come closer and closer to Christmas in Kindergarten we have been learning about waiting. We have discussed many things which we have to wait for, the lunch bell, for seeds to grow, holidays with families and for a baby brother or sister. We are preparing for the very special Catholic season of Advent where we wait for the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day.

In Mathematics we have been exploring many mathematical concepts. We continue to develop our skills and demonstrate our understanding through manipulating hands on materials.

Our English unit this term has been based on design. We have worked with songs, number raps and many other styles of communication. We have explored the way particular elements are selected, organised and used in the process of text construction for particular purposes. Students have explored the organisation of various types of text and understand the text construction and elements of a text to identify purpose, organisation of ideas and language structures of text.

This week we commenced our Swimming Lessons. The school, once again, has been very well supported with parent helpers to assist the teachers in developing swimming skills. We will be holding our Annual Swimming Carnival on Friday December 5. Permission notes were due back today, please ensure that these notes are returned to school by tomorrow at the latest. We will ensure that notes are sorted and further information is sent home to parents and caregivers who have offered to help on the day.
Our transitions for the year have concluded. We have seen students build positive relationships with their peers. In January of this year, a fortnight before school commenced for the year, the staff provided students with an opportunity to build their learning environment. The teachers have voiced their interest in providing this opportunity again. The date for our Building Learning Communities day is January 19, 2015. Invitations will be sent home soon! We would love to have as many students join us on this day so please make a note in next year’s calendar!

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners.

WEEK6

Kindergarten - Grace Booth – for her effort in completing writing tasks
Aidan Hunt – for helping others when they need help
Rhianna Smith – for her fantastic attitude to all school work
Year 1/2 - Clayton Porter - For working well with others in class
Braeden Halse - Great effort in participating in class discussion
Year 3/4 - Amy Redgate - for being a fantastic focused worker
Olivia Collins - for her involvement and contribution in Literacy Groups
Year 5/6 - Matthew Wilkins – for using paragraphs effectively in writing task on Rosetta Sapace Mission
Rhys Turner – for a fantastic result in his latest Reading assessment

Principal’s Awards - Patrick Magner - for working well at discussing issues to find suitable solutions.

Ms Samantha Kerr
Kindergarten Teacher

Congratulations to Kimberly Cotter who has been pre-selected for a place at Armidale Uni, studying a Bachelor of Law and Criminology. We wish her all the very best.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thank you to all parents and members of the community who joined our students for our annual Remembrance Day ceremony. Thank you also to our special guests: Reverend Pat Kirkby, Mrs Christine Searle, Ray Butchard, Les Bray and members of Denman Red Cross. A big thank you also to Corporal Nathaniel Taylor, Private Jeremy Higlett and Private Benjamin Walker who travelled from Singleton Army Base to perform flag duties. Their military presence once again added to the importance of the day. Thank you to staff for assisting on the day, ensuring the ceremony ran smoothly. Finally a big thank you to the students; particularly those who spoke or did a reading during the service. Many of our visitors commented on how well presented our students were and how well they spoke during the ceremony. Well done to you all.

SANDY HOLLOW TRASH ‘N’ TREASURE / CAR BOOT SALE

The school will be running a drinks/cake stall at the Trash ‘n’ Treasure sale this weekend. We are asking all families to donate a cake or slice. They can be brought into the school on Friday, if families are not attending the sale on Saturday. All profits from the day will go towards our 2015 learn to swim program.

PRAC STUDENTS

Last week Miss Verschelden and Miss Mulligan began their four weeks of practical experience. They have thrown themselves into the classroom teaching literacy, numeracy, science and fundamental movement skills. This week they will take on most of the teaching load. Our students have responded positively to their presence. Having the opportunity to gain practical experience is a valuable component of their overall training. We are more than pleased to be able to provide them with this opportunity.

LEARN TO SWIM

As most of you are aware, this year for the first time in many years, we have asked parents to pay $5.00 towards learn to swim lessons. This price is an absolute bargain as swimming lessons...
It actually cost $97.00 per student. It is only through sponsorship from Mangoola Glencore, Premier's Sporting Challenge, Rural and Remote Assistance and fundraising efforts (100’s clubs and walkathon) that we are able to offer it at such a reduced cost.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL DINNER

Our school Year 6 farewell dinner will be held in the school library on Wednesday December 10 at 6.00pm to approximately 7.30pm. The P and C are in the process of finalising the menu, then we will send out official invitations.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2014 - WEEK 7

As we come together for the second last week of Kindergarten Orientation the children focus on what they could do if they found that an activity was too difficult for them.

This skill was demonstrated through the story “Three Cheers for Errol”. Errol was a character in the story that was not very good at school work, but he always tried his best.

Following recess the children joined Year 1 and Kindergarten as we recited nursery rhymes, sang number songs and played maths games.

The children then worked with Mrs Elliott on their maths lesson, during which they learnt about day and night. Each child made a moon and some stars before continuing with their counting activities.

PEER SUPPORT

Throughout our afternoon of peer support activities the group leaders encouraged all the children to use the social skills we have learnt so far this term, that being listening, using nice talk, asking for help, ignoring, interrupting and trying when it’s hard.

TRYING WHEN IT’S HARD

Stop and Think - Discuss the feeling of frustration and point out that lots of people get frustrated when something is difficult.

Say “It’s hard, but I’ll try” - Talk about feeling proud when something is hard but you tried it anyway. Also stress that it’s OK to try and fail.

Try it. - Point out that a person might need to try more than once.
REMEMBRANCE DAY

Our school captains led a simple yet respectful Remembrance Day ceremony on Tuesday to honour our servicemen and women who have fought and continue to fight around the world.

YEAR 6 MINI FAIR

Do you have any unwanted books, clothing, toys, nick nacs, jewellery or other odds and ends? Please bring to the school this week for our white elephant trash and treasure stall.

We are looking forward to welcoming community members to our Year 6 Mini Fair on Tuesday November 25.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS 2015

If you require school uniforms for 2015, please contact the school by December 1 so payment can be arranged and uniforms can be ordered and available before the start of Term 1.

LOOK WHAT WE’VE BEEN DOING WITH MR SEAN

• Mathematics - making soma puzzles

Last week Kaelyn came to school every day of the week to help improve her learning and it paid off with Kaelyn improving her reading and moving up a level to reading level 8.

Kaelyn also worked hard to improve her Frisbee skill during Active After School and worked well on her Frisbee team, despite being up against much older students.

Congratulations, and keep up the wonderful work, Kaelyn!

FROM MRS GRINHAM’S DESK

This week has been an exciting week for learning at Cassilis Public School. Our special visitor, Sean McLoughlin has had a wonderful time teaching the students and teachers new skills including ukelele, guitar, drums, drama, computer animation, soma puzzles and some very catchy tunes.

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Even Mrs Nairne, Mrs Grinham and Brady got a lesson after school! We can play two songs now!

We have also made a school blog, learnt how to animate using the pivot program and added voices and animation to fruit and vegetable faces using crazy talk!

CASSILIS RODEO

The Cassilis Public School P and C is once again doing the Rodeo Gate Roster in 2015. On Saturday January 31 we will man the gates and as this is our major fundraiser for the year we need everyone to help out for a couple of hours. All money earned goes directly to the students and this year it will go towards upgrading the play equipment.

Please, as many helpers as possible on the day will be great. All parent names will go directly onto the roster and other willing volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

Please call Kathy on 6376 1013 to put your name down.

SCHOOL PHOTO RE-SHOOT

As the P and C were unhappy with some school photos, new photos taken on Friday November 21 by a different photographer.

You will be able to bring in a USB stick to obtain free copies of all photos that include your child/children that can then be printed as you wish in the coming weeks.

DIARY

November

24 - Assembly
27 - ASS Frisbee

December

1- 4 - Swimming Scheme - Merriwa
4 - Christmas play Catholic church 9.30am
5 - Library visit 2.00-3.00pm
8-11 - Swimming Scheme – Merriwa
11 - Year 6 Farewell - venue Royal Hotel Cassilis
15 - Performance and Presentation Night
16 - Rewards day and Santa visit
17 - Students last day
18 -19 - Staff Development Days

Jeanette Grinham
Relieving Principal

Merriwa Ringer
At the Merriwa Activity Centre there has been time spent playing with the Lego by Toby. He has constructed a Lego town and with help from others everyday, we have been able to watch this city grow.

Also at the Merriwa Activity Centre we have been getting ready for Christmas. Getting lots of ideas from the children with what they would like to make for Christmas decorations and activities, so we are busy busy.

We will be starting swimming at the Merriwa Activity Centre on Tuesdays and Thursdays with supervision by two staff members at all times. We have also purchased red swimming shirts so all children at Merriwa Activity Centre can wear to keep the children visible in the pool. If your child does not have a season ticket they will need to bring $2.20 on these days for swimming.

Merriwa Activity Centre will be opening on December 18 and 19 for those parents who are needing care. It will be open all day, just let us know by ringing the centre by December 15 for your booking. Also on December 19 we will have a Christmas party at the pool in the morning. This will be at 9.00am. If you are wanting your child to attend, please book them in or just come along. Parents are more than welcome. If your child is not booked in they must be accompanied by a parent.

Merriwa Activity Centre is working towards getting chickens for the centre, this has been an ongoing progress. We are looking for a cage, if anyone can help us out that would be great.

As the holidays are coming up and we need to know if you are going to want Mondays and Fridays as we usually only open on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays if we can get enough numbers for the other two days we will be opening from 9.00am till 5.00pm we also have to have more then three to open.

Just a reminder of the staff at Merriwa Activity Centre are Natalie Hourn and Alarna Pittman - casual coordinators and Yvonne Vidler and Marissa Watson - as our casual child care workers.

Natalie Hourn and Alarna Pittman
DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Women’s Guild meeting - first Thursday monthly
November - last meeting for 2014: 2.00pm

Messy Church - Parish Hall - Last Friday in November: 3.30pm

Men’s breakfast - Parish Hall - Third Saturday in December: 7.30am

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 28: Messy Church will be at the Uniting Church – the last one for the year. See notice in Community News.

November 30: Father Glen’s next service. This will be the first Sunday in Advent.

December 7: 9 Lesson’s and Carols and Parish Christmas Party which is “Bring and Share” meal in Parish Hall after service - 6.00pm.

December 14: Carols in the Park.

PRAYER

We give thanks for leaders who have attended the G20 meeting in Brisbane, that they will serve the common good and work for an increase of justice and peace.

Spirit of justice and truth, grant to all governments and all who serve in public life, wisdom and skill, imagination and energy; protect them from corruption and the temptation of self serving. Help them to commit to the common good that all our lands may be a secure home for all peoples, through Jesus Christ the Prince of peace. Amen.

Rosalie Drew

Local Lands Services - Hunter

Burning Issues: Fire, Poisonous Plants and the Native Vegetation Act

Fire management, poisonous plants and changes to the Native Vegetation Act will be the focus of a Hunter Local Land Services (LLS) workshop in Woolooma on 3 December.

Hunter LLS Vegetation Officer, Paul Melehan said the workshop will cover topics that LLS staff are often asked about. ‘We aim to help landholders with their land management techniques by providing them additional knowledge.’

‘Due to the prevailing dry conditions and shortage of feed in some areas, the risk of stock eating poisonous plants is relatively high. We’ll be looking at some of the poisonous plants in the area, and how to identify and manage them,’ added Mr Melehan.

An update on the Native Vegetation Act and its new codes of practice will also be covered.

Online tools are now available on the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) website to help landholders determine if they need permission to clear vegetation. LLS officers will run through these tools and clarify how to understand the requirements of the Act.

In addition, Bruce Hansen from the NSW Rural Fire Service will be presenting on the Hotspots Fire Project.

‘This project was developed to give land managers skills and knowledge in fire management for both biodiversity and fire safety. I will talk about the project and discuss vegetation types, fuel loads and weather conditions in relation to fire,’ said Mr Hansen.

The workshop will be held on Wednesday, 3 December from 8.30am – 2.30pm at Woolooma Hall on Stewarts Brook Road.

Please register by Friday 28 November 2014 either online at: https://hunterlls.wufoo.eu/forms/vegetation-management-workshop/ or by phoning Hunter Local Land Services Muswellbrook office on (02) 6542 4444.

Jillian Ayre
Merriwa Rotary Club

THE ANGUS PEEBLES EDUCATIONAL BURSARY

Once again Merriwa Rotary is calling for applications from students who will be going on to further studies after their HSC. This scholarship is intended to help students with the expenses involved in commencing their new courses.

Application forms will be available from Merriwa Newsagency and must be returned before January 15 (although earlier would be better).

Students eligible for these scholarships must reside within the old Merriwa Shire boundaries...regardless of which secondary school they attended. Also eligible are students living outside the old Merriwa Shire boundaries, who have attended Merriwa Central School.

Mark Smith

NOTIFICATION OF INTENDED ROAD CLOSURES

Merriwa Rotary and Kaleidoscope (Hunter Kids Health Network) are planning a Fun Run/Walk for Sunday March 29, 2015. Our Fun Run/Walk will start at the Merriwa No 1 Oval and finish at the Merriwa Showground. The procedure to do this is to give notification of the closure of the roads needed for the safety of the competitors and give two weeks for any objections.

The roads in question will be Brisbane Street (at Oval gates: corner of Blaxland and Marquet Streets; Scone Road; corner of Vennacher and Marquet Street; corner of Bow and Blaxland Streets; and northern end of Dutton Street (near waste disposal outlet). These six road closures will commence at 8.00am and be open by 9.15am. Any objections must be received no later than 4.00pm Friday December 5, 2014.

WHAT IS THIS EVENT?

In April this year Kaleidoscope had a fundraising event at the Merriwa Showground. The weekend saw caravans and campers arrive from different locations in the Hunter to enjoy festivities such as an auction of some great articles and memorabilia, bush poets, wine tasting, Rock and Roll and Country Bands and singers, markets, song writing and performance workshops and lots of great food. The Merriwa Rotary Club catered for breakfast and a spit roast dinner with all proceeds being given to Kaleidoscope – Hunter Kids Health Network. This fundraising organisation raises money for Hunter kids and their families in time of need which flows on to our own community. The total money raised in April was in excess of $9,000.00. So next year it is on again and Merriwa Rotary have once again put up our hands to help for the weekend. We are organising a Fun Run/Walk which will leave the Merriwa No1 Sports Oval, meander up past St. Joseph’s, down to Blaxland Street onto the bike/walking track, under the Merriwa Bridge and a loop around the Merriwa Showground arena finishing at the Roach Pavilion.

This will be a fantastic event as there is something for everybody, simply to have some fun with your friends, the opportunity for the family to have fun together and there is a chance to prove yourself or just have fun as an individual while raising money for a great cause.

However before we start advertising we have to follow a procedure and get permission from the suitable authorities. One of these is Notification of Road Closure. Any objections must be received no later than 4.00pm Friday December 5, 2014. Watch this space in the weeks to come after all permission has been granted and we’ll tell you more about this event – Kaleidoscope – Hunter Kids Health Fun Run/Walk, Sunday March 29, 2015. For further information about the Fun Run/Walk or the Closure of Roads please contact Elaine on 6548 8560.

Elaine Sparrow

Merriwa VIEW Club

Our next Dinner Meeting will be held on Thursday November 27. This will be our Christmas Dinner and the last for the year 2014. We are heading once again to Cassilis and the Plough Inn where Linda Gant will serve up her usual scrumptious array of delicious food. BYO drinks.

We have a bus booked to travel to Cassilis with possibly a car or two to take any excess. The meal is $25.00, the bus is $10.00 and there will be a raffle and lucky door prize as usual. Please bring a small gift to exchange and also if you have any donations to the Learning Locally Bags. We will be having a working bee in January at Jenny’s place to sew and fill bags for our 2015 Kinder classes so please keep this in mind as we need lots of helpers to complete this project. You don’t need to be able to sew as we also need help with threading the cord, assembling all the items for each bag, making cups of coffee for morning tea etc and of course eating the morning tea. There will be a job for everyone so when you get the call with the date, let’s hope you can be there to be a helper for your VIEW Club and our projects.

See you at Cassilis. Don’t forget to call Elaine on Monday November 24 for catering purposes if you can’t attend or if you are bringing a friend. The bus and cars will leave outside the Council Chambers at 6.30pm.

Elaine Sparrow
Merriwa Hospital Auxiliary

MEETING

The Merriwa Hospital Auxiliary will be holding a General Meeting on Friday November 21. The meeting will be held in the Nurses Home Conference Room (off McRae Street) at 2.00pm. All members are invited to attend and anyone in our community who wishes to attend would be very welcome.

Our recent Melbourne Cup Luncheon was a great success and we thank Gaye and Col Bates for their lovely garden setting and allowing us the use of their property. The day was perfect and we thank all those who attended. Many thanks to all our members who provided the salads and desserts for the lunch. It was a marvelous spread of delicious food enjoyed by all present.

Hope to see many at our meeting. Friday November 21, at 2.00pm. See you there.

For more information please contact me on 6548 8560.

Elaine Sparrow

Sue’s Christmas Lunch

FREE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Don’t have Christmas alone.. come and have it with us!

Four meats and salad with all the trimmings at the Anglican Hall, December 25 from 12.30pm. All are welcome and all helpers get a free lunch.

Scott Beavan

Merriwa Progress Association

The last meeting of the Merriwa District Progress Association for 2014 will be on Wednesday November 26 at the RSL commencing at 6.00pm.

Anyone who is concerned about on-going Upper Hunter Shire Council staffing levels in Merriwa, or any other issues concerning the town are encouraged to attend.

For more information contact 6548 2245.

Beron Arden-Wood

Messy Church

When: Friday November 28
Time: 3.30pm

We look forward to seeing you all again for the last Messy Church for 2014 at the Uniting Church.

Theme for this month is “Christmas in November”.

Rosalie Drew and Messy Church team

Merriwa Senior Citizens Assoc.

We will be having our Christmas luncheon on Sunday November 30 in the Merriwa RSL Club’s Auditorium from 12 noon with lunch set down for 12.30pm and costing $15.00 for members ($20.00 for non members).

Raffle will be a hamper (tickets $1.00 each) and lots of Lucky Door prizes.

Please bring a small gift for exchange.

Come and enjoy our festive luncheon and let me have numbers please.

We have also been invited to Muswellbrook Senior’s Christmas luncheon to be held on Thursday November 27 at Muswellbrook Worker’s Club, commencing at 10.30am and costing $20.00.

If you would like to go, please contact me for the RSVP.

Mary O’Neill

Merriwa CWA

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

The CWA has available two educational grants available.

Jean Latham Educational Grant Valued at $300.00
Tenable by a student entering Year 12 and residing in the bounds of the Hunter River Group.

Hunter River Educational Grant Valued at $500.00
Tenable by a student entering Tertiary Education and residing in the bounds of the Hunter River Group.

Application forms are available from the school or phone Robyn on 6548 3274.

It is not a complicated process and we encourage you to apply.

Robyn McAlister

Merriwa Ringer
BEAT THE HEAT

Come in and grab some great products to beat the heat this week. The fun should not be limited to the children however, so join in (even if you have to pretend to be reluctant) and cool off.

- **Aqua Blaster** - a giant water gun with hours of fun - durable, pump action with a decent sized water reservoir.
- **Soak ‘N’ Splash Water Slide** - a modern version of the trusty old slip ‘n’ slide, water spouts out all the way along, with a basin at the bottom to stop all the injuries when you have too much momentum.
- **Jump Rope Splashers** - this is a great example of two great ideas combined into one! A skipping rope that attaches to a garden hose to splash as you skip. Ingenious.
- **Shark Bite Water Slide** - another version of the slip ‘n’ slide but with the addition of a giant shark to slide through. Great for the kids.

Check out our Facebook page for images of these products.

AS SEEN ON TV

The Australian Women’s Health Diary is available now. If you have seen the ads on TV you will already know that it is now hard-cover, filled with great health tips, and part of the proceeds go to raising money for Breast Cancer Research. It is a great gift idea for any woman.

FROM THE CHRISTMAS CATALOGUE

Come in and get a catalogue today. It is filled with great gift ideas but stock is limited, so if you don’t get in early, it may be too late. Lay-by’s are available and we are even happy to hold them after they are fully paid for so that the children (or partners) can’t go snooping and find them. One great gift idea is the 3D puzzles - dinosaurs, the solar system and the Sydney Opera House. These 3D puzzles are a great idea for anyone who loves a challenge and is a little hard to buy for. Better Homes and Gardens

The latest issue of this great magazine is available now. I must say that I think I have found my Christmas Day Dessert idea in here - coconut pavlova with tropical fruit and passionfruit caramel - a modern
Don’t forget we are now taking orders for Christmas.

Come in and order a choice of our own prepared and smoked:

- Hams
- Smoked Legs of Lambs
- Smoked Chickens

They are all smoked and slow cooked right here at Max’s Country Cuts, our hams and smoked legs of lambs are smoked and cooked for up to 15 hours, for a delicious and tender Christmas treats at only $8.99kg you can’t go wrong.

**RECIPE OF THE WEEK**

**T-BONE STEAK WITH GARLIC AND CHIVE BUTTER**

**Prep Time:** 15 min  
**Cooking Time:** 10 min  
**Serves:** 6

- 175g butter, at room temperature  
- 1 garlic clove, crushed  
- 2 tablespoons drained capers  
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh chives  
- 6 (about 350g each) Yearling T-bone steaks  
- 1 tablespoon olive oil

1. Combine the butter, garlic, capers and chives in a bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Shape into a log and wrap in plastic wrap. Place in the fridge to chill until firm. Cut the butter into slices and rewrap the log in the plastic wrap.

2. Preheat a barbecue flat plate on high. Season the steaks with salt and pepper. Rub with the oil. Cook on barbecue for 4-5 minutes each side for medium-rare or until cooked to your liking. Transfer to a baking tray. Cover with foil. Set aside for 5 minutes to rest.

3. Divide the steaks among serving plates. Top each with a slice of garlic and chive butter. Serve with the potatoes and salads.

Max, Yvonne and the crew at Max’s Country Cuts

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**THE SHOP SMALL MOVEMENT**

Don’t forget that November is Shop Small Month. They are the best places to find interesting and different Christmas presents for people.
We are the experts when it comes to: Electrical Componetry of your Car, ie. Batteries - (if we don’t have it, we can get it!), Lighting Circuits, Electric Brakes, Alternators, Starter motors, Driving lights, LED’S for trailers and vehicles and we can do DIAGNOSTIC TESTING.

AIR CONDITIONING
All your air conditioning needs come to the shop or we’ll come to you!

Ring us for an appointment on 6548 2114 or call in to 30 Bow Street Merriwa and see Michael or Sally.

Sally and Michael Hagley

Dr Noman Jawaad Medical Practice
MERRIWA

Dr Jawaad works Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.00am – 5.00pm
Dr Cho works Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm.

DENMAN
Dr Jawaad works Tuesday 8.30am to 6.00pm and Friday 8.30am to 5.00pm
Dr Cho works Monday 8.00am to 5.00pm
For all appointments for Merriwa and Denman please phone 6532 5013.

Dr Noman Jawaad

Photography Competition
This month’s photography competition is sponsored by Australia Post Merriwa and the theme is “Old and Rusty”. Although this competition is open to your interpretation, please be kind with your entries.

Eventually we all succumb to getting old, but that doesn’t have to mean we’re all falling apart. It’s a graceful passing of time that can be reflected in images showing beauty and wisdom. Use soft light and avoid creating shadows by using harsh flashes or lighting. These will really overemphasize wrinkles, unless that’s your intention. Older people fall into two categories. The first are those who don’t want to look old, but wise and youthful. For this category, decrease your clarity slider for a softer image. The second type are those who consider their wrinkles and laughter lines as a badge of every success and failure and for this category you can increase the clarity all the way! Pay attention to the way light falls across their face, which parts are lit and which are in shadows. Lighting from the side will accent wrinkles, by creating more shadows, whereas turning your subject towards even light will be more softer and flattering.

What is it about rust that looks so striking in photos? Apart from the texture, patterns and lines, it’s the earthy colours of red, orange, brown and blue. Rust can transform everyday objects into dynamic photos subjects. Use a lens that you can zoom in with a large aperture. Be sure it’s a sharp lens, because when photographing things up close, you’ll notice the photo’s detail more.

Macro lenses are great for this type of photography, but a 70-300mm lens will also give you enough magnification for a great shot. There are a number of techniques you can use. You could zoom in creating surreal photographs with fun designs, or maintain reality and capture the different shades and textures. Try focusing on what relationship nature plays with discarded man-made items and practise looking at objects as shapes, lines and angles. When you break down a subject to its basic shapes and lines you can better visualise the best composition. Don’t forget to try various angles to get different perspectives. Add clarity in post editing to give depth to the textures and layers.
Photography Competition

Entries close: **NOVEMBER 24 AT 12 NOON**

Topic for the month is: **OLD AND RUSTY**

The winning photo will receive a prize to the value of $50.00 from the monthly sponsor and this month it is sponsored by:** AUSTRALIA POST MERRIWA**

PUBLISHED IN THE RINGER ON: **NOVEMBER 28**

The competition is open to amateur photographers of all ages.

Let’s see what you can come up with. Make sure it’s creative and original. All entries are to be submitted by Monday November 24 by 12 noon.

Email your photos to merriwa2-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Suzie Kirk
**CASUAL EDUCATOR AND CASUAL CLEANING STAFF**

The Merriwa Pre-School and Activity Centre are seeking motivated applicants to join our team of casuals. Experience in the advertised positions would be highly regarded.

The hours of work are variable and a ‘Working with Children’s Check’ will apply.

A willingness to obtain a Certificate III in Children’s Services for the Casual Educators is essential.

These positions are well suited to reliable and caring individuals with a good knowledge of WH&S.

Please contact staff at the Pre-School or Activity Centre for a description of the roles.

Applications in writing to Merriwa Pre-School.

Two referees and a recent resume is required.

Closing date will be the Thursday December 4

Applications to:

Merriwa Pre-School

P.O. Box 96

Merriwa NSW 2329

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**Community Adverts**

**ADVERTISE HERE**

Have unwanted items, looking for something in particular or an event the public needs to know about? Why not place an advert with the Merriwa Ringer?

Interested? Contact us on 6548 2119

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**GARAGE SALE**

Heaps of items and all of it must go!

No early looking, opens at 9.00am

43 Blaxland Street

Saturday November 22

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**Remember!**

Get your articles and advertisements into the Merriwa Ringer BEFORE 9.00am Monday. No late articles will be accepted.

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**LSW GOVERNMENT**

**Local Land Services Hunter**

**Calling for Expressions of Interest on Travelling Stock Reserves**

All existing permitted grazing arrangements in the Merriwa/Cassilis areas on Travelling Stock Reserves will cease on 31 December 2014.

New grazing permits may be granted on these reserves following an expression of interest (EOI) process.

Please contact any Hunter Local Land Services (LLS) office for a full list of reserves.

Persons interested in applying for grazing permits on any of the nominated reserves for a four year period – being 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2018 – must lodge an online EOI via the eTender website: https://tenders.nsw.gov.au/ using reference number DITRIS EOI 14/284.

All relevant information is available from all Hunter LLS offices and online at www.lls.nsw.gov.au/hunter

Completed forms must be lodged online by 2pm on Thursday, 4 December 2014.

The highest or any EOI may not necessarily be accepted.

For further information, contact Jamie Maddocks on 0429 924 365.
Do you need transport to Muswellbrook for Work, TAFE, Appointments and Social activities? TransCare have a bus service operating Monday to Friday leaving Merriwa at 6.10am and arrives in Muswellbrook at 7.10am. It leaves Muswellbrook at 4.50pm and has you in Merriwa by 6.00pm. The cost is $8.00 each way.

There is also a service leaving Merriwa at 8.35am which departs Muswellbrook at 1.45pm. Bookings are essential, contact TransCare 6545 3113, 8.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

**MERRIWA - MUSWELLBROOK TIMETABLE**

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NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

An extra-ordinary Council Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, Scone on Friday 21 November at 3.00pm for Council’s Auditors to present their audit report on the 2013/14 Financial Statements.

The next Council meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, Scone on Monday, 24 November commencing at 5pm. Public participation is scheduled at the beginning of the meeting.

Requests to address Council must:

• be received in writing by noon on the day of the meeting
• address a current agenda item

All members of the community are welcome to attend.

P: Robyn Cox 6540 1126

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - COMPUTERS

Council through the Merriwa CTC and Visitor Information Centre has reconditioned computers to donate to community groups through an expression of interest. If your community organisation would like to be considered for a reconditioned computer with monitor, keyboard, mouse with Windows software please apply in writing to:

Liam Garment
Merriwa Visitor Information and CTC
PO Box 111
Merriwa NSW 2329

Expressions of Interest close COB Friday 28 November 2014

P: Liam Garment 6521 7046

MERRIWA LIBRARY HAS NEW X-BOX 360

Merriwa Library is excited to announce that the new X-Box 360 has arrived with four brand new games for all to enjoy, including: Rayman Legends; SSX; FIFA 14; and DIRT3.

P: Mark Shields 6521 7006

2015 ROSTO OLIVES
MERRIWA FESTIVAL OF THE FLEECE STREET STALL FUNDRAISER

The Festival Committee needs your help in raising money for the 2015 Festival. A fundraising stall will be held outside Merriwa IGA on Friday 28 November from 8.30am to 1.00pm. All donations are greatly appreciated, with all funds raised being donated to the 2015 Festival.

P: Liam Garment 6521 7046

PROPOSED RENEWAL OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONE IN MERRIWA

Upper Hunter Shire Council is proposing to renew the Alcohol Free Zone in Merriwa for a further four years to 23 October 2018.

The area subject to the proposed renewal of the Alcohol Free Zone is:

• Vennacher Street from Parker Street to the southern boundary of the public swimming pool
• From the southern boundary of the pool in Vennacher Street along Solleys Lane to Bow Street
• The whole of Bow Street from Solleys Lane to the laneway behind the Merriwa RSL Club
• The whole of Bettington Street from Dutton Street to Brisbane Street
• The whole of King George V Avenue from Brisbane Street to Quigley Street
• The area bounded by Bettington Street, Vennacher Street, Solleys Lane and Bow Street.

A map of the proposed Alcohol Free Zone can be viewed at Council offices or download a copy from Council website.

Comments or objections on this proposal should be sent to the Upper Hunter Shire Council General Manager by 12 December 2014.

P: 02 6540 1100
F: 02 6545 2671
E: council@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au
8 Vennacher Street Merriwa $265,000.00
This home has been completely renovated throughout and is like new. There are four big bedrooms all with new carpet and paint. There are three living areas with the family/dining room leading to the kitchen. The kitchen is new and boasts plenty of cupboard space and electrical appliances. The two bathrooms are new as is the laundry. The house has been completely re-wired, re-plumbed, re-planted and re-carpeted. The yard is fully fenced and has a double carport.

72 Mackenzie Street Merriwa $210,000.00
Situated in easy walking distance to the main street and schools this is an excellent family home. There are three good sized bedrooms all with built ins + 4th bedroom or office at the rear of the house. The living area is open plan and features a combustion fire and RC Air. The kitchen is original with an electric stove and is in good condition. The floorboards throughout have been freshly polished and the home has been painted in recent years. The yard is a large 929sqm and is flat and fully fenced with a carport and garden shed for storage.

5 Gooch Street Merriwa $220,000.00
Situated on a large 1657sqm block this home has been fully renovated throughout. There are three big bedrooms, two with built ins, lounge with RC Air + a combustion fire and a brand new kitchen and bathroom. The kitchen is spacious with plenty of cupboards and room for the dining table. At the rear of the home is a double carport which would easily convert to a garage and two garden sheds for storage. The home has been freshly painted and new carpet and lino installed.
Your local team is:

Field Officer - Warwick Nairne
6548 2175/0428 721 864

Biosecurity Officers -
Stefanie McCowen
6542 4429/0432 856 773
Craig Crooks
6545 1311/0429 342 995

District Vet - Ross Kemp
6572 2944/0428 688 693

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Meets the first Wednesday of each Month at 7pm, Merriwa RSL Club

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Merriwa PONY CLUB
Established in 1946
Rally Day - Second Sunday of each month
President: Clare Martin - 6548 2201
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Merriwa, the birth place of Pony Club....

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Saturday - 7.45pm Monster raffles and members’ badge draw
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The Sports Club provides a wide range of benefits for members and guests.

**Mondays** - Happy Two Hour - 4.00pm to 6.00pm - Social Darts 7.00pm - Draw for partners

**Tuesdays** - Rotary meets - 7.00pm for 7.30pm

**Thursdays** - 6.00pm Bingo

**Fridays** - Happy Two Hour - 5.00pm to 7.00pm and free raffles and Cricket Club “Chook Wheel”

**Saturdays** - Monster Raffle drawn from 7.45pm, winners jackpot, dinner draw and Saturday badge draw

**Sundays** - Members badge draw plus three raffles choice of $25.00 meat or fuel vouchers

**Last Sunday each month** - Smorgasbord all you can eat Chinese entree, mains and desserts.

**DON’T FORGET CHINESE SMORGASBORD SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30**

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**WEEKEND RESULTS**

**Saturday Raffle November 15**

Saturday Members Draw no 178 was not won - next week $160.00

Winners Jackpot not won - next week $160.00

**Free Tickets:** Julie Smith  
**Dinner:** Mick Towler  
**Bowls Raffle:** Julie Smith

**Sunday Raffle November 16**

Sunday Members draw - No 215. Next week $300.00

**COMING EVENTS**

**Christmas and Trivia Night** - Saturday November 22

**Time:** 6.30pm (two sets questions with break for Raffles at 7.45pm)

**Cost:** $10.00 per person, children under 14 free

Get together a table of 8 persons, bring along your basket supper and enjoy a night of fun and friendship. Great prizes as well.

Bookings available now or purchase on the night.

**Christmas Party - Saturday December 6**

**Time:** 6.30pm for 7.00pm

**Cost:** $25.00 per head

Bookings now open, names and money to be paid by Monday December 1. Christmas raffle of hams, beer, champagne, wine and Christmas goodies drawn on the night and entertainment provided.

Raffle tickets $1 each, available at the Club. We look forward to seeing you there to help us celebrate the festive season.

**Christmas Raffles - Sunday December 7 (in lieu of Saturday 6 December), Saturday 13 and Saturday 20 December.**

Come along and enjoy our Christmas raffles with a variety of prizes, meat, vouchers, hams and Christmas goodies.

**LADIES BOWLS NEWS**

Ladies Christmas Luncheon will be held on Wednesday November 26 at Merriwa Sports Club. Names to be left with Loretta if you are attending on 6548 2679.

Ladies Pennants commence on February 3, 2015. Names are to be left on the board at the club or with Loretta on 6548 2679.

Next meeting will be held on Monday January 12, 2015 at 3.00pm.

Eva Towler

**MENS BOWLS NEWS**

Just a short report this week starting with our trip to Manning Point which was another successful trip culminating with KB having a triple serve of KFC at Taree, to watch is to behold, the after even better. Also on that point, if any person requires free handiwork done, first of all make sure your fridge and your food section is full, KB, DS and Kevin “I’ll have another one” Barry are available. Don’t forget 2015 championships are on the board, please participate.

The ‘Greens’ will be closed from November 12 so Championships will now be held after Christmas.

Flag Unferling, plus Christmas Party bbq on Sunday December 14 to commence at 11.00am.

Phil Rush and Ken Bevan

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The Members Lucky Badge for $550.00 was not won on Friday at 8.30pm. The number was 374. This week it jackpots to $600.00. The 7.00pm draw for $220.00 was not won. The number was 278. This week it jackpots to $240.00. The 9.00pm draw for $140.00 was not won and the number was 87. This week it jackpots to $120.00. LTPS/13/04473

The Sunday Morning Badge Draw for $550.00 was not won last week. The number was 239 and this week it jackpots to $600.00. It will be drawn between 11.30am and 1.30pm and you must be present to win the money. LTPS/13/04473

The Friday 8.30pm badge draw and the Sunday badge draw both now commence at $500.00.

COMING EVENTS

The Bistro hours for the evening are now back to 6.00pm - 8.30pm.

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN THE CLUB

HAPPY HOUR IS BACK - Friday 6.00pm to 7.00pm and Sunday 11.00am to 12 noon, $3.00 schooners and $2.00 middies, and starting this week $5.00 Corona’s.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE – Tickets are now on sale for the Clubs Christmas raffle $1.00 each.

First prize – Red Centra Metro 4 burner hooded BBQ

Second prize – Dutton mesh outdoor setting

Third prize – Lazercut lawnmower and catcher

Now on tap James Squire - One Fifty Lashes Pale Ale, very yummy.

Matt Morgan

Cassilis Bowling Club

Friday night Snack Bar
Affordable family meals.

Friday night raffles
Meat trays, Vegetable trays, Schooner Draw, Joker Draw, Members Draw and Vegetable trays.

PREVIOUS WEEK’S RESULTS

Friday November 14

Members Draw: $65.00 - Paula Palmer – claimed - $50.00 next week.

Joker Draw: $553.00 – Jann Wilton flipped an ace for $53 – $517 next week.

Congratulations to Paula and Jann.

Hilary Parker

Sporting

Merriwa Little Athletics

With another blast of heat on Monday we were forced to postpone training to Wednesday night last week. A big THANK YOU to the three mums that stepped up to run Tiny Tot training and Steve Hourn for taking all the long jumpers through their paces. Breaking up training into smaller groups helps us get through more events with more time to work on technique with individual athletes.

There was definitely lots of nervous energy around the track at training on Wednesday particularly from our nine athletes competing in the Zone Championships this weekend in Cessnock. GOOD LUCK Ben, Jackson and Dylan Keane, Clancy and Darcy Moore, Gaby Nichols, Axul Hourne and Jorji and Darcy Taaffe. Remember the Little A’s motto ‘be YOUR best’ - that doesn’t mean you have to be the best - just put 100% effort in and you will never feel like you have lost regardless of where you place.

It’s fantastic to have a few athletes sign up already for the State Multi Event that will be held at Sydney Olympic Park on March 7 and 8, so yes, that means Merriwa will be having a team this year! If you would like to compete where the Olympians run, jump and throw for Australia let Tash know by email tashholden@bigpond.com by December 15. The event is for athletes aged Under 7 to Under 17. This is a wonderful opportunity for athletes that may not qualify beyond Zone level, or would just like to run on a synthetic track in the big smoke! The entry fee is $20.00 per athlete, which covers gate entry for athletes and parents/spectators.

Just a reminder to parents, the best way for us to get hold of you - especially on Monday afternoons to advise whether training is on or off with the weather - is via mobile text. If you aren’t getting texts from Tash’s mobile or would like to change your mobile contact, please send a text to 0458 574 015 and we will add you to the list.

After more information, why not contact me on 0458 574 015 or email tashholden@bigpond.com

Tash Taaffe

Merriwa Ringer
Merriwa Touch Football Club

By the time everyone reads this Ringer article the Touch comp will have played round 6, which will also be the first round in the draw change.

The previous late game held at 8.45pm has been changed to be played on Field 1 at 6.00pm from now on.

This in effect, effects all games, making all other games being played later by 15 minutes. The reasoning behind this is that due to the number of juniors playing, it was decided that a ‘Round Robin’ would be played weekly rather than one team having a bye each week. This left one field vacant. To ensure that each team still has half an our of game time ment that a 45 minute time slot was needed. At first we were going to start the junior 15 minutes earlier but this coincided with swimming club and effected all juniors that were doing both sports. So the next obvious step was to reshuffle the draw just a little.

Bringing the late game back to 6.00pm allowed the other field to be utilised without making great changes to the draw. We hope that this doesn’t create too many issues and look forward to an earlier finish to the night.

MIXED COMPETITION DECEMBER 17

Names of interested players will be placed in buckets and will drawn at random – five boys/five girls(depending on the number of interested players). It will be open to only registered senior players for insurance reasons.

The draw will be open to the public to witness, on completion of the last game on December 10 (approx 9.00pm). These teams will be final and will be the teams for both rounds. Divided into - Over 30 years of age - male and female players, Under 18 years - male and female players, remaining players - male and female.

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Games will be scored as such - two points for female player scoring (three female players must be on the field at all times) and one point for male scoring players.

Names can be left at the table over the coming weeks.

This will also be the Touch Christmas Party, anyone interested in helping out on the night, please let us know.

On another note, the Juniors are still looking for sponsors for their shirts, if you are interested in helping them out, please contact Tina on 0447 219 193.

Tina Taylor

Merriwa Tennis Club

FINALS

The Spring Night Competition Semi-Finals were played on Monday evening.

The Grand Final and End of Season BBQ will be held from 6.30pm on Monday November 24. Members, potential members and interested members of the community are welcome to come along and join in.

Hotshots Junior Tennis Application has been submitted to Tennis Australia. Watch this space for this exciting new program coming to Merriwa.

Poker Tennis is Coming! Show us your hand.

Robert Smith, aka Boris Becker

NEW TOUCH DRAW

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Mondays to merriwa2-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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If you would like your event included in the community calendar or wish to claim a date, please call Tina at the Ringer so that your event is not missed!