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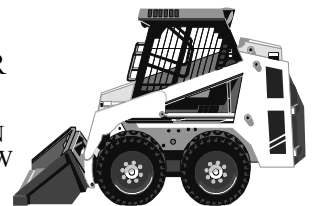
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Editorial

Another month disappeared and I still haven't burnt any piles.

Seem to get continually side-tracked with having to do paperwork or other things on days that would be ideal to light up. Hopefully the weather will hold for another week and the winds will not come and then I can really get stuck into the yard.

Unfortunate news for all the horse enthusiasts as the Show Committee has had to cancel the October Camp Draft due to lack of availability of enough beasts for the event. Cattle owners moving or selling whilst the prices are high. Can't blame them as they have to do what is good for their incomes.

I am headed to a 100th birthday party soon. My last surviving aunt is turning 100 and I hope I can last as long as her and be as well as her. Still lives by herself, has just recently given up her drivers licence, as sharp as a tack mentally and fitter than me. My mom's family had good genes as Gran didn't quite make the 101, mom's two younger brothers were in the high 90s and the youngest daughter lasted 'til she was 94. Unfortunately, my mom, the eldest and whom I thought would live forever, ended up going at 88 with a non-Hodgkinson's lymphoma, whatever nasty thing that is.

They bred them tough in the old days.

Again you have pages of jokes as I have more ads than articles and seem to be getting more and more of them. A lot of people are learning of our little bit of paradise and moving up here to enjoy it, it seems, and starting businesses that they want everyone to know about.

I need some enthusiastic new reporters to help me fill the columns with stories, maybe a gardening guru who would like to tell us what to plant each month, or if you have an especially interesting hobby to write about. Send them in and I will peruse them to see if they are usable.

Note:- nothing defamatory, religious or political. I try to keep it interesting to all. How about a writer of kids stories???

I am still getting used to my new "helper" whose main idea of help at the moment is to sit on the keyboard - I think it keeps her feet warm but it certainly screws up the typing and formatting.

Reading the 'fiery's' reports brings things into perspective as regards the "warning your neighbours" bit if you are lighting up.

A neighbour down the end of my street (someone I had yet to meet) lost everything when the house he was renting went up in flames. His neighbours came home to see the place ablaze and called the brigade but it was too late. My sincere condolences to him.

I had actually smelt smoke (mind I am about 3ks up the other end of the road and couldn't see any smoke) about weeks under who was burning rubber as it had such an acrid smell. The warning works both way as we often smell the smoke and just think "Oh, up the road is burning off". Take care with your fires.

Until next month

Lyn & my new mate, *Tilley Cat*

WHAT'S HAPPENING AUGUST, 2017

Markets & Events.

• Bulahdelah	(1st Sat)	5 th	8am to 1pm
• Blackhead Bazaar	(1st Sun)		8am to 12 noon ?
• John's River	(Sat)	12 th	9am to 1.30pm
• Wingham Community	(every Sat)		
• Myall Quays	(3rd Sat)	19 th	9am to 1pm
• The Hub Taree Showgnd	(3rd Sat)	19 th	8am to 12 noon
• Krambach	(3rd Sun)	20 th	8am to 2pm
• NABIAC	(Last Sat)	26 th	8am to 12 noon
• Old Bar	(Last Sun)	27 th	7am to 1pm
• Pacific Palms	(Last Sun)	27 th	9am to 1pm
• Forster Town	(2nd Sun)	13 th	8am to 2pm
• Halliday's Point	(1st Sun)	6 th	8am to 11am
• Town Head	(every Mon)		8am to 2pm
• Mt. George	(Sat)	28 th	8am to 2pm
• Forster Farmers Market	(3rd Sat)	19 th	8am to 12 noon
• Bobbin Community		— th	9am to 2pm
• Tuncurry Markets	(4th Sat)	27 th	8am to 1pm
• Burrell Creek	(2nd Sun)	13 th	9am to 12.30pm

These dates are from the council web site so could be subject to change

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WHEN you have left articles there to be collected

Contributions should be submitted - in writing - by the 25th of the month for inclusion in the following month's edition.

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So we are ready for further collections for our AUGUST drive as we are a registered collection drop off point here at the salon, so please even just one small donation is such a great help!

Why not start a collection gathering at work, book club, sewing club or school and see just how far this can go for our great little town of NABIAC.

#DIGNITY DRIVE

On any given night in Australia, 1 in 200 people are homeless, 44% are female, 27% are children under the age of 18. Family violence is the number one reason people present to homeless services with 55% of females citing this reason.

As an organisation, Share the Dignity oversees a number of initiatives that give back to Australian women and children in need, with a particular focus on victims of domestic violence.

Our services range from collecting sanitary items for homeless women and those fleeing domestic violence, to funding the funerals of domestic violence victims.

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Been a bit more action on our front this month. A total of 10 varied calls which included one very serious MVA at the exit of Dibb St and the Highway. This intersection deserves considerable respect for those using it as there have been several accidents here. Vision is good but highway traffic is entitled to 100kph and could be faster, so one must be certain there is enough time to make the journey across. A stop sign on Dibb would perhaps be a good start to help the situation.

There were other vehicle incidents, a house fire involving asbestos, and an assist ambulance call. Asbestos contamination means that we must leave all of our yellow clothes at the scene to be taken away & treated. The first time this was required in our Brigade, not everyone had the correct underwear available. They do now, particularly the girls.

Hazard reductions are on the agenda and advice is to get them done. Predictions of a dry start to spring may prove to be incorrect but if it remains dry there will be restrictions for certain.

Heard of another vehicle fire (not local) where the hot vehicle exhaust set the long grass alight and the driver had to walk home, plenty of long grass about now.

And please be aware that Councils, as part of the NSW Clean Air Act, do not allow fires in the open for any reason for those that have a green bin. (BBQ's excepted) You are to put all green waste in the bin. This means in the village of course.

And please, please, if you are lighting up, please give your Brigade a call. We need to know, that's all, no trouble. If we know what's going on, chances are we won't turn up with the flashing lights on because someone had phoned in a 000 call. We would appreciate a call.

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Volunteers and Committee members welcome to join.

HALL MARKETS: 3rd Sunday of the month. 8:30am to 1pm
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Nabiac Landcare is working on follow-up at Bullock Wharf with removal of the ever present madeira vine and the reappearance of young asparagus fern.

The asparagus had almost been eradicated from this area. Regrowth is probably due to birds eating the berries and spreading the seed or escape from gardens through dumping.

Sadly, 4WD's have chewed up the track along the river so badly in parts that it makes it difficult for walkers and bicycle riders to enjoy this area. This is a concern with deep ridges encouraging further erosion and mud when it rains.

A team continues working at Lilly Pilly Bend each week. This area is looking wonderful and now with seating, a peaceful spot for enjoying nature.

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Wednesday Mornings: Hanna is available for general help.

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Our weekly visits to Nabiac Public School for school transition preparation has started. Our preschool children have enjoyed a number of visits so far. We have had a school tour with Mrs Kessey and we were invited to watch the dress rehearsal for their education week performance. It was so much fun! Thanks Nabiac Public School for having us.

Thank you Wallamba Fishing Club

A great big thank you to the Wallamba Fishing Club for your generous donation. We were able to purchase materials to complete a few of our 'wish list' environments for our outdoors area as well as purchase some much needed new farm animals. We are very grateful for your support!



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WALLAMBA CWA REPORT

President Iris Cummings welcomed 9 members to the July meeting at the Wallamba Showground Hall Foyer which opened at 10.05 am. Members were saddened to hear of the passing of former Wallamba CWA member *Cherie Hartwig*, who some years ago moved north to Urunga and continue her involvement with North Coast Group of CWA. Members also extended sympathy to family of *Merv Eason* and to the family of *Mrs Noelle White* of Forster, who was Forster Red Cross Branch Patron and a member of Forster Arts & Crafts and known to both Secretary *Pam* and Handicraft officer *Merle*.

This month's thought was provided by Pam and was

"If it makes you smile, giggle or laugh, Do it again".

Member *Ruth Dawson* will supply August's thought.

I must apologize for a mistake made in the last 'Across the Fence' when I mentioned the passing of *Alf Croucher*; he didn't work for Weller's Modern Motors it was at Paff's Garage that he worked for many years but was a friend of *Bruce Weller*.

Members have been visiting Patron *Betty Bird* who is currently residing at Alma Place until she improves with her health. Betty loves the visits and the chance to catch up with the local news from Nabiac, the CWA and the Show Committee. If you have a few minutes to spare you would be most welcome to pop in for a visit.

Members heard that *Judy* and *Ted Moncrieff* have been in hospital and not enjoying the best of health at the moment and to them all say 'Get Well Soon'.

More International Days have been held and these included Wingham, Bonny Hills and Eungai-Sturt's Point along with Port Macquarie and *Penny* has been busy attending these days together with several other Wallamba ladies.

The Group Council meeting is being held on Monday July 31st at Harrington with Penny, Pam and Merle to represent the Branch and a report will be given at the next meeting to be held on Tuesday 8th August.

Fireweed, which was our 'foe' studied this year in the AG & Environment Segment, has seen Penny trying to eradicate it from her property and she said how many plants she has removed and others still seem to raise their ugly heads as quickly as she gets rid of them.

Ruth brought up in this segment that she had noticed a prolific increase in butterflies in the area and this then brought about a lot of discussion from the ladies and they were trying to identify the different varieties using their mobile phones for information.

Our birthday girl from last month, *Jill Hammond*, told us about her extended celebrations which saw her take a trip to Singapore, organized by her family, and she had a wonderful time enjoying a



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Merle reported on the attendance of her attendance at an 'Overlocking Seminar' and she found it very worthwhile learning so much more about her machine and what it can do. Merle mentioned that she has nominated to go onto the State Handicraft Committee so we will wait and see if she is elected. Handicraft workshop days are still being held at Merle's home and the ladies are going to be working on the Christmas decorations, which is the project for the coming year.

Penny report on the Handicraft Days and advised the Group Day will be held at Kempsey on Thursday August 24th and has two good speakers who will speak about Nepal on the day.

Penny advised the ladies that 'mother & baby packs' are again being organized by CWA and will be distributed by the Hospital Committee from Head Office.

Pam showed off her photo book made on Wallamba's International Day on Nepal and she was complimented on her work.

Margaret advised members that we haven't any cooking competitions to enter until November but did say the recipes to be used are the ones appearing in the June "Countrywoman Journal" and she is hoping to have all details ready for distribution at the August meeting.

For cultural segment, member Margaret showed the ladies a copy of Di Morrissey's Newspaper which is distributed throughout the Manning and Forster area and spoke about the various article in it.

Member Pam spoke about her son *Andrew* competing in his first 1/2 marathon on the Gold Coast in which 8,000+ competitors took part and he finished 2130th with a time of 1.1hr 48mins 14secs bettering his expected time of 2 hours. Pam's grandchildren *Keala* and *Korben* have both appeared in an A-Mart Furniture catalogue and she proudly showed it off to the members.

Next meeting will discuss in depth 'The Members Discussion and Consultation Paper' which came with their latest journal and in doing so will send their thoughts to HO.

This month we didn't have any birthdays or wedding anniversaries to celebrate so no further business the meeting was declared closed at 12 noon by President Iris and all who could stayed on for a 'bring and share' lunch with lots of chat and fellowship at this time.

Hope to see you all and any ladies who would like to learn and maybe join the branch come along to the Showground Hall for the next meeting on Tuesday 8th August ,2017 around 9.30am.

Pam Muxlow

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While all this was going on we have still had our regular events with supper on the second Saturday of the month and dinner on the last Saturday.

We also held our first Marmalade Making Day in honour of Michael Bond, creator of Paddington Bear. Lots of fun was had by all learning how to make various marmalades, pickles and fruit preserves and sharing ideas. We hope to have more of these types of events.

Our August community dinner on the 26th will see a meal show-casing slow-cooked meals. For bookings contact **Fran on 4997 7323**.

Caro

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It was a most enjoyable day for members who visited Lumpy's Nursery at Tuncurry. Congratulations to our 3 members who were fortunate enough to win the \$20 vouchers to spend at their pleasure in the nursery. Many a plant has now found its way to gardens of club members. Many thanks to *Jenny and Lumpy* and staff members for allowing us to visit and a special thanks to *Megan* for giving us a talk and explaining just how the nursery started.

We also welcomed another new member, *Di*; we hope that you will enjoy the friendship and fellowship of our group.

After we had loaded our cars with our plants we journeyed to Forster to the home of *Jenny and Ross Williams* where they had prepared a delightful sausage sizzle which was followed by delectable morsels of choc brownies and caramel tarts. Thanks *Jan* and *Leonie* it was most enjoyable and appreciated.

Our next meeting will be at the home of *Ross and Cindy* at 3 Abbott St, Nabitac on August 28th where new members and visitors are always welcome. The flower competition will be the colour purple and, of course, don't forget the swap table.

If you are interested in joining our happy group of gardeners why not come along for a visit, met new people, bring a chair have a cuppa and a chat we would love to see you. For more information contact *Jenny on 6559 1815* or *Val on 6559 1245*.

Happy gardening and hope for rain soon.

Val

Show News from Lyn

It has been a quiet month with little to report.

We have our **AGM on Tuesday 15th at 7.30pm** in the foyer of the Hall at Nabitac Showgrounds, followed by our normal meeting. Anyone interested in joining is quite welcome. Just attend.

Memberships must be paid before the meeting to allow you to vote for the new incoming Committee.

One item of import is that due to the unavailability of cattle our October Camp Draft has been cancelled this year. Apologies to all the riders chasing points.

I am still looking for someone to take over the secretary's job. If you are interested, come to the AGM meeting.

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Local History - The Wallamba — Another in a series of historical articles gleaned from the archives of the "Manning River Times" **November, 1926**, by *Bob Mann*

NABIAC - NOVEMBER, 1926: Mr V. Lulham, who has been acting as assistant at Nabiac Post Office for a number of years, has been appointed to the charge of Tuncurry Post Office. Mr C. Priestly (jnr.), who has been a resident of the Wallamba for a number of years, has disposed of his interest in Nabiac and proposes to take up residence at Port Stephens at an early date.

LOG PUNT FOUNDERS: Messrs. Goodlet and Smith's punt "Coolongolook", heavily laden with hardwood, foundered at Bullock Wharf, Nabiac at 10pm on November 1st. During the day 29 logs had been loaded under the personal supervision of Mr E. McMahon and the punt was moored below the wharf in readiness for an early start next morning. Messrs. L. Noone and T. Grey, who was in charge of the vessel, had completed an examination of the craft prior to retiring for the night. Apparently some of the planking carried away below the waterline with the result the hold was rapidly flooded and the punt quickly settled on an even keel in about 12 ft of water leaving only the tip of the bow and a portion of the funnel exposed. The logs, with the exception of a few that eluded skillful handling, were recovered and transhipped to the "Queen" for subsequent transportation to Coolongolook. During the week salvage operations were to have commenced.

KITCHEN TEA: On the eve of their approaching marriage Mr J. Nixon and Miss W. Croker were tendered a kitchen tea in the School of Arts, Nabiac. Mr E. McMaster presided on behalf of their numerous friends and presented the guests of the evening with an extensive array of beautiful and useful presents. Mr Nixon suitably responded. Supper was served by the ladies and a nicely arranged programme of vocal and musical items concluded a happy and enjoyable evening.

PERSONAL: Constable Turnball of Nabiac, has entered upon his annual leave. Constable (?sic) is the relieving officer.

Word has been received by the Parochial Council for the Parish of Nabiac that the Rev. A.E. James will not be taking up duties in the centre. A successor to Rev. C.W. Nicholls has not yet been appointed.

WALLAMBA NOTES: The effects of drought and bushfires are being severely felt in parts of the district. Mr H. Paterson's property suffered severely from the bush fires. Some owners are losing stock and others are moving their cattle to the swamps about Darawank.

Efforts are being made to have a public hall erected at Dyers Crossing. A committee has been formed to further the object and the ladies are working in the interest of the much needed facility.

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE: Mrs George Worth and her son Stanly, of Wang Wauk, were just nearing their home after a drive last Sunday when the horse fell and Mrs Worth fell out and had the misfortune to have her arm broken. The boy escaped injury.

Mrs S. Bowers of Hallidays Point, is on a visit to Wang Wauk.

Mrs Edward Worth of Wang Wauk, whilst gardening last Wednesday

week, had her leg hurt on a stick. On Saturday night it was very painful and she was conveyed to Taree where she is under Dr. Stokes treatment in M.R.D. Hospital.

NABIAC PRIVATE HOSPITAL: Nurse A.L. Nixon, formerly Matron of the M.R.D. Hospital, who has been on a health trip to Sydney is returning to Nabiac this week and will resume duty in charge of the Nabiac Private Hospital on December 13th. The services of Nurse Bisteed, who has a double certificate and who comes with excellent credentials, have also been secured.

ROUND ABOUT NOTES: Miss Clare McKinnon of "Gen Ora" Nabiac, daughter of Mrs McKinnon of the same locality, has just returned home for her Christmas Holidays. Miss McKinnon teaches school out in the western district and reports that the country in that part is in a dreadful condition.

Mr J. Wright, the popular school teacher at Bulby Brush near Bunyah, and his good wife are leaving shortly to spend their Christmas holidays at Grafton. They have recently purchased a most up-to-date car for the occasion and intend visiting other districts enroute. During their stay at Bulby Brush, Mr and Mrs Wright have endeared themselves to the residents of that locality by their genial and kindly disposition.

In spite of the dry weather Mr W. Martin of Krambach has about 10 acres of corn and previous to the last weeks rain it looked beautiful. Now that the drought has broken Mr Martin expects an extra good crop this year.

WANG WAUK: Mr Percy Worth was taken ill last Wednesday and was conveyed to Taree and was immediately operated on at the M.R.D. Hospital for an appendicitis. We hope to hear soon that Mr Worth is progressing well.

Mr Ray Carter, of Manilla, is on a visit to his brother Mr George Carter.

Mr Gorrie, our local teacher, left on Friday afternoon for Mudgee by motor car. Mrs Gorrie has been gone several weeks in order to visit Mrs Gorrie (snr) who had the misfortune to break a leg.

Mr Murray, the teacher at Sawyer's Creek, left by service car on Friday afternoon for West Maitland where his relatives reside. He was accompanied by Mr George Griffiths.

The country around has changed its aspect since the welcome rain. The grass is now a beautiful green. Prior to this the vegetation with any green colouring was the gums and wattle trees. The rain was fervently looked for by the farmers as a good Christmas for all.

COUNCIL MEETING: At a recent meeting of the Manning Shire Council it was reported that a survey had been carried out and a tentative design and estimate had been prepared for a reinforced concrete bridge of two 40ft spans with a 16ft roadway similar to the Lansdowne and Dingo Creek Bridges. If there is any probability of the road being a Main Road in the near future it would be advisable to increase the width of the roadway on the bridge to the Main Roads Standard.


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Between the Pages

Nabiac Library News



Wow! It almost seems like Spring is on our doorstep, with these sun filled days; but still the cold chilly nights. So what can Nabiac Library offer in this strange change of seasons?

Would you like to learn more about Climate Change? It is becoming a huge topic and our Libraries can offer you a wide range of books to learn more. Have a look online or come into Nabiac Library and ask for how you can access books on this important topic.

BIG CHANGES ARE HAPPENING AT MID COAST LIBRARIES!

Speaking of 'Our Libraries'. There are changes happening as our Mid Coast Council moves towards amalgamating all our Libraries. This involves amalgamating the Great Lakes Library, Manning Valley Library and Gloucester Library databases into one big database. A huge task!!! You can visit the website midcoastlibraries.com.au to find the library catalogues. If you see something you'd like to borrow and it's held in a 'yet-to-be-merged' library collection, that you are not a member of, then contact your library to find out how we can help.

You can also search all catalogues online.

Not sure how to do this? Here are some steps to help you.

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- ✦ Scroll to the bottom of the page (check out all that is available on the new website as you scroll down. 'Tis impressive!)
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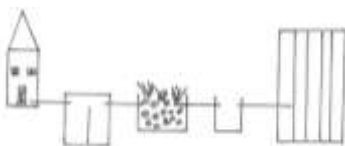
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NEWS FROM BUNYAH

Following on from last month's Bunyah News, I confirm that on **Sunday 27th August, 2017** we will be hosting 'The Rattling Bones' and 'Engine Groans Machinery Society' for morning tea at Bunyah Hall around 10.00 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to come and take a look at these Tractors and speak to the Drivers on their stop off.

Morning Tea will also be available to the spectators at a cost of \$5.00 per head for Coffee/Tea and slice of cake or scone. Proceeds of which will go to our Hall.

The Dungog Club and three other organisations are running the tour with tractors from 13 other Clubs in NSW, including Corowa, Bega, Berrima and the Riverina. They will be driving their Vintage & Classic Tractors on a 600 km trip over 6 days on a 'Rattling Around the Barington's' Tour.

The tractors are all different brands - Fords, Fergusons, David Browns, Chamberlains from the late 1940's 1950's; all the tractors are over 45 years old.

The tractors will be trucked to their 'Starting Point' at Bulahdelah from where they will come over the mountain via Manning Hill for morning tea at Bunyah Hall.

From Bunyah they will go to Krambach, Wingham, Nowendoc, Nundle, Moonan Flat, Gloucester overnighing along the way, then return to Bulahdelah to then truck their tractors back to their respective homes.

This is well worth a look as we hosted them in 2011 when they drove to Macksville via the inland roads and we are pleased to be asked to host them again.

Remember Sunday 27th August, 2017 before 10.00 a.m so you can see them all arrive.

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This month we were able to send 13 Baby quilts with a group of nurses travelling to Thailand, 12 "Ray of Sunshine" quilts to the Palliative care wing of the Taree hospital and 20 quilts to the Community Foundation of NW Sydney who distribute them to Women's Refuges

A big Thank you to Across the Fence as we have got a new sewer in our group, and I have received donations of fabric, crocheted rugs and Trauma Teddies

For more information ring **Jenny 6554 1201**

And now wearing a different hat, I will be returning to Fiji on the 12th September. **Sewaia Australia** wants us to concentrate on teaching children's clothing.

Many thanks for patterns and fabrics, threads and accessories that have been donated for me to take and distribute.

Jenny

WALLAMBA COMMUNITY GROUP—NABIAC SENIORS

Wallamba Community Group Inc. meets Thursday mornings, at 9:30, in the Supper Room of Nabiac Hall, for Bingo.

If you'd like to join us for a nice social get-together, we'd love to see you.

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To join our network and stay in the loop of all things Landcare, please contact your Local Landcare Coordinator Joël Dunn at joel.dunn@glcr.org.au or 0401 932 533.

Wild Dog Update

As Across the Fence readers will well know, wild dogs have been doing major damage on our farms, and there is a groundswell of concern about the issue among our landholders. KGLL is following up our recent information workshops and trapping courses with support for local wild dog control groups, starting in the Wang Wauk-Wallamba area including Firefly, Bunyah, Dyers Crossing and Nabitac. To join the group, connect and coordinate with fellow concerned landholders, and pool trapping and shooting skills, contact **Joël on 0401 932 533**.

All wild dog activity should be promptly reported to our district Biosecurity Ranger **Laurie Mullen on 0407 785 007**.

Our friends at Wang Wauk River Catchment Landcare Group are inviting the public to a workshop on wild dog control presented by Laurie Mullen on Saturday 5th August at 1183 Willina Rd Bunyah from 9am until noon. Please RSVP to **Elwyn Hile on 6559 1551** and please bring a folding chair.

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Johne's Disease and Biosecurity Information Session

Nabitac, Monday 21st August, 1.30-3.30pm

Ensure your farm is ready for the new Johne's Disease Beef J-BAS Scoring and Farm Biosecurity Plan requirements by October 1st. District Veterinarian **Lyndell Stone** will give you the lowdown on what you need to do, and the benefits for your farm of having an up to date Biosecurity Plan.

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MINIMBAH MATTERS



Minimbah Rural Fire Brigade Members are making the most of the lack of fire activity in our neighbourhood. One of our newer Members has just been awarded with his Village Fire Fighter qualification. Also a Minimbah crew recently joined Nabitac Brigade in a very well run and informative joint training exercise. Winter is not always cold, dull and boring. It can be the best time to do some things.

DO YOU HAVE A BURNING DESIRE?

Well, you are not alone - especially at this time of year. It seems to be the thing to do and the time to do it. As this is being written it is actually raining, so maybe tomorrow is light up day. If you are thinking that tomorrow will be a day to satisfy your Burning Desire, then today is the day to spread the word.

DON'T KEEP IT A SECRET.

You have probably worked very hard to get your property ready for this burn, so why not show off a little - let everyone know about your hard work. Seriously, at least **24 hours in advance**, you are required to advise your neighbours (Across the Fence, across the road and even across the river). As well as those folk, your local Fire Control Centre needs to be advised. If people know what is going on in their district, it may well save an un-necessary response by your local Volunteer Fire Brigade.

THERE CAN BE NO ESCAPE

Your preparation work will of course have included clearing the area around the proposed burn area, and ensuring you will have sufficient help, water and equipment on hand to control and contain the fire. It is an offence to let your fire escape your boundary, so please don't get the Law or your neighbours offside. **Spread the word, not the flames.**

WATCH IT!!

This is no time for the "set and forget" approach. Even the friendliest fires sometimes have a mind of their own and yearn to visit greener pastures, so to speak. The pasture may not necessarily be greener, but it is unlikely you were planning to set fire to it. It is so very important that you do not leave your fire un-attended.

FEELING PRETTY PROUD OF YOURSELF?

If you are now looking at an area of nothing more than scorched earth, and it's the area you were anticipating, then **congratulations** and on behalf of our Brigade, thank you for making our neighbourhood safer.

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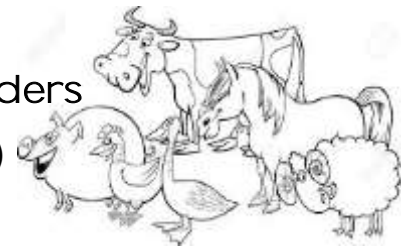
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It is commonly known as "Black Powder" because of its colour and the addition of graphite during the manufacturing process and to differentiate it from other explosives.

It is not a powerful explosive but the only one available in construction, mining, quarrying and artillery shells until the mid-1800's. More powerful explosives being developed at this time have been the choice in recent times.

Whilst not difficult to manufacture it can be unstable and as a result, it was common practice in Europe to build & site explosive factories with three substantial walls and the remaining weaker wall facing a river in the event of an explosion.

It is still available and used by those of us who have a fascination for old type (Davy Crocket) shooting matches. There are still many older mid 1800 firearms in use at Wingham Rifle Range on days when we use them in target shooting. The residue after use is highly hydroscopic (attracts moisture) and so careful cleaning is essential, otherwise the steel barrels are quickly destroyed by rust. Lots of fun!

Bruce Weller



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The little boy was amazed, and sat silently for a minute. Finally he said, "Granddad, I wish I'd gotten to know you a lot sooner!"

A man asks a farmer near a field, "Sorry sir, would you mind if I crossed your field instead of going around it? You see, I have to catch the 4:23 train."

The farmer says, "Sure, go right ahead. And if my bull sees you, you'll even catch the 4:11 one."

Mother: "How was school today, Patrick?"

Patrick: "It was really great mum! Today we made explosives!"


Mother: "Ooh, they do very fancy stuff with you these days.

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Patrick: "What school?"

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But when he arrives, he brings ten people. The organizer is shocked:

"Come on Alan, what the heck, the invitation said you can only bring one person!"

"Yeah, but it also said bring your own food, didn't it?!"



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"She's a liar and a cheat! She said she was the whole night and her sister's!"

"So? Maybe she was."

"Yeah, no way. I was the whole night at her sister

The 84 Year -old Bride

The local news station was interviewing an 84 year old lady because she had just gotten married — for the fourth time.

The interviewer asked her questions about her life, about what it felt like to be marrying again at 84, and then about her new husband's occupation.

"He's a funeral director," she answered.

"Interesting," the newsman thought.

He then asked her if she wouldn't mind telling him a little about her first three husbands and what they did for a living. She paused for a few moments, needing time to reflect on all those years.

After a short time, a smile came to her face and she answered proudly, explaining that she first married a banker when she was in her early 20's, then a circus ringmaster when in her 40's, later on a preacher when in her 60's, and now, in her 80's, a funeral director.

The interviewer looked at her quite astonished, and asked her why she had married four men with such diverse careers.

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(left to right): Jessica Macbeth; Kaitlyn Macbeth; Glenn Singleton; Nathan Singleton; Ben Macbeth; Michelle Gordon; Aaron Singleton; Rebecca Harper; Kit Harper; Jim Wilson; Dr David Gillespie, Federal Member for Lyne; Lucas Gordon; Tyler Gordon

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REAL KULTCHA

WHAT IS THE WORLD COMING TO: a Pom has won the *Tour de France* (for the fourth time); the Pommy team has just won the Women's World Cup Cricket competition (against India because the Oz team crashed out in the semis); the Oz male cricketers are still bitching and complaining about their pay and conditions and if the mess isn't sorted very shortly (like last week) then the tour of Bangladesh is gorn and the Ashes series later this year is very doubtful; the cross-country wrestlers are in a tizz because the five Oz teams in the *Super whatever* were nothing short of pathetic this year, one of them has to go and now they need to gird their loins and be upstanding to face New Zealand in the annual Bledisloe Cup blood-bath; and to top it off, *The Canetoads* beat the tripe out of *The Cockroaches* in the State Of Origin series **AGAIN**. I haven't yet gone as far as Mick McDonald (in *The Manning River Times*) who says he's going to take up yoga and forget all about the SOO but I'm getting close! The sad part is that after showing so much promise in the first game they seemed to just fold their tents and go walkabout! No-where near good enough and I may have to go down and talk to *the seven iron* about having a rusty razor blade and a bottle of metho at the next training camp: it makes no sense to allow them to breed if they're just going to perpetuate the poor play. I'll let you know how our discussion goes.

And just to add insult to injury, Gus has seemed to indicate that if *something doesn't change in NSW* (and from what I've read, the "something" wasn't specified) then he's going to deny all Penrith players permission to play in the SOO! I don't know if he can actually do that but I'm not about to get into a fight with him over it. Also, I was watching a game recently where the ref was taking to defensive side back 12 to 14 metres and Gus commented on it. I laughed at that as I sent him a missive several years ago with a solution to that very problem and he didn't answer me! The solution involved dotted lines across the field every metre (similar to American Football) so the ref could clearly see where the 10 metres was. Now of course, is the time to trial the suggestion: it doesn't need any rules to be changed and as it's near the end of the season, all that has to happen is the NRL decrees that a game between two of the bottom teams that are not going to feature in the finals, will have their field lined accordingly. If it doesn't work then nothing has been lost but if it does then trial it again to the end of the season with similar matches and with a view to see if it could become the norm next season. Easy peezy. Will it happen? Probably not.

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On matters of other import, the Heavenly Cohorts have had slightly mixed results. *The Mighty St George* did smite with extreme beastliness (Mary had them firing) *The Manly Sea Pigeons* and that's as it should be. Given they were masquerading as a fit and proper team to be in the Top 4 their extended fall to their proper place on the ladder has now begun. *The Glorious St Kilda* (and no, I'm not talking about a rocky isle off the coast of Scotland here, as my friend in Canberra regularly suggests) ran second in their recent clash in Sydney but they'll learn from that and will come back stronger. The flag is still in their sights.

Wimbledon has finished for another year and surprise, surprise *The Old Man of the Mountain*, Roger Federer scooped up the prize. I think he's just turned 36, has taken out the Oz Open and Wimbledon so far this year and says he expects to be around for a few more years yet as well. He's a legend! At the other end of the spectrum is (reluctantly, I have to admit) our own Bernard Tomic! A waste of space and talent is about all I can say. To make it just that bit more stomach churning, he called for a medical time out during the match he lost and at the press conference afterwards said he wasn't sick at all, he was just bored. He then went on to say he planned to make a lot of money playing tennis then retire and he'd never have to work again! I'm not making this up - he's a spoilt, snot nosed little cretin and if I was organising any tennis tournament I certainly wouldn't send him an invitation and if he applied to play I'd file it in the round filing cabinet. Why would you let him into your draw when there are plenty of other players who are trying hard to rise through the ranks? The sooner he quits tennis the better off the sport will be. Working for a living of course, will come as one hell of a shock to him.

Jeff Horn is the new WBO welterweight champion and Manny Pacquiao is not happy. Given that the referee and the three ring-side judges were all foreigners, I don't see why. Just a sad loser.

Talk at you next month,
Hillside Critic

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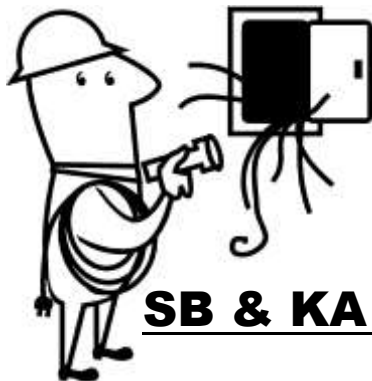
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Wallamba Bulls

The third round of the Lower Mid North Coast Rugby Union Competition has seen the Bulls continue their push to celebrate their 10th Anniversary in style and hopefully take out their first premiership in the Year of the Bull.

The Bulls kicked off July with a trip to Gloucester to take on the Gloucester Cockies. With the Cockies, Dennis "Myrtle" Walmsley celebrating his 400th game for the Cockies, both teams had much to play for and it showed in the quality of the competition. The Cockies were looking to advance their cause for a top 4 finish and to celebrate Myrtle's unprecedented (as far as we know) 400th game in style. The Bulls were able to stick to their game plan and bounce back from their loss to the Dolphins the previous week with a 36 - 0 win over the Cockies.

On 7th July the Bulls hosted The Old Bar Clams at Aub Ferris Oval. The scheduled night game was postponed to next season and the boys took to the field full of ambition and drive. The Clams have had a tough couple of seasons without a victory but the heart and soul of the club was on display for all to see with some great rugby by both teams. The Bulls proved too strong for the vastly improved Clams and took the points with a 78 - 7 victory over the Clams.

As the month rolled on the Bulls met their most physical of opponents in the Manning River Ratz at Aub Ferris Oval on 15th July, 2017 and The Ratz did not disappoint with an extremely physical clash taking its toll on both teams. Whilst the Bulls suffered a number of injuries, the Ratz saw their Co - Captain Dave Rees receiving a Yellow and then a Red Card in quick succession seeing him suspended for the rest of the season. The Ratz physical game troubled The Bulls but didn't have an effect upon the score with the Bulls taking the points and the that all important Bonus Point that saw them continue in equal first on the ladder with the Forster - Tuncurry Dolphins.

A quick trip down South for the Bulls on 22nd July, 2017 saw the Myall Coast Mud Crabs raising money for Beyond Blue at their annual charity match. The carnival like atmosphere had a big effect on crowd numbers and the Mud Crabs raised over \$1,000 for Beyond Blue. Unfortunately for the Mud Crabs they couldn't quite pull off a win despite some gallant efforts from the entire team, the Bulls were up 45 - 14 at the final whistle.

With that, the Lower Mid North Coast Minor Premiership came down to one game, between two rivals who had dogged each other all season with one victory a piece and having shared the top of the ladder since Round 2, when the Forster - Tuncurry Dolphins travelled to Aub Ferris Oval on 29th July, 2017. The entire Wallamba region swung behind the Bulls, as the boys trained hard, the shops in Nabitac were decorated in Blue and White and the town descended on the Bull Pen to show their support and with over 500 people at the Bull Pen, the Bulls were truly humbled by the support.

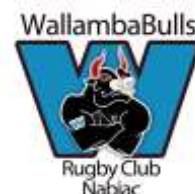
The Bulls dug deep and demonstrated just why they deserved to be the Champions the town believes they should be, but it wasn't enough to outdo the Dolphins who were all class and discipline and deserved victors in the Minor Premiership with a 38 - 14 win over the Bulls.

With the Minor Premiership now wrapped up, The Bulls, Dolphins, Ratz and Mud Crabs all turn their attention to the Finals series when the Bulls travel to Tuncurry to again play the Dolphins at Dolphin Park on 5th August, 2017. Known as Super Saturday, it is sure to be one of the toughest encounters the Bulls have had all season. As usual the Wallamba Bulls Nabitac Hotel Supporters bus will be on hand for free transport to the game.

The Bulls continue to push for a Grand Final berth and, whilst disappointed in not taking out the Minor Premiership, are focused on what has been their goal from day one of the Year of the Bull. A Grand Final Victory to celebrate their 10 years in the competition.

The Bulls would like to extend an invitation to all their supporters to dust off their glad rags and join them in celebrating the clubs season (win lose or draw, it has been huge) and ten year anniversary at their annual dinner on 9th September, 2017 at Nabitac Hall. Save the date and details will be available soon.

As always, thank you to Wallamba for the support of the Bulls in 2017 #yearofthebull.



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Donk had a great day with a continuing stream of interested folks around our display and it was pleasing for this writer to meet up with friends one may have not seen for some time. A good day.

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The AGM and BBQ were held following the weigh in. A new Executive committee was formed.

We appointed a new President, **Paul Lawson** and new Vice President, **Bill Crick**.

Wayne Wickenden and Rodney Thomas stepped down from these positions. We would like to Thank them both very much for their commitment over the years.

Congratulations to all point winners.

Championship winners were:

Senior Male	Paul Lawson
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Welcome to our new members, it will be great to have more competitors this year, especially within the junior division.

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- 625 ml Chicken stock
- 400 g Tinned diced tomatoes
- 2 Bay leaves
- a few thyme sprigs
- a few rosemary sprigs
- drizzle of apple cider vinegar
- 1 tsp Sugar-free wholegrain mustard
- Celtic sea salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C (350°F).
2. Put the carrots, onions (if using), leeks, lemons and garlic in a large roasting tin. Rest the chicken thighs on top of the vegetables, then pour in the stock and tomatoes and top with the herbs. Drizzle in the apple cider vinegar, then bake for 35-40 minutes, until the vegetables and chicken are cooked through.
3. Remove the chicken and vegetables from the pan and keep warm. Discard the bay leaf (and perhaps the lemon quarters if you prefer) and transfer the juices to a saucepan. Bring the juices to the boil, then add the mustard and boil for 5 minutes, or until slightly thickened. Season with salt and pepper.
4. Pour the sauce over the chicken and vegetables, then serve.

I think I would serve this with either creamy mashed potatoes or rice so you have something to sop up the sauce with and your choice of green vegetables to round it off.

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REPORT FROM NABIAAC RSL SUB-BRANCH



August is the month where things start to get busy again for the R&SL with Vietnam Veterans Day and all the preparations for Remembrance Day start.

VIETNAM VETERANS DAY is the day we pause to remember those who served and those who died in the Vietnam War. It is celebrated on the 18th of August each year and used to be known as **Long Tan Day** which is the day of the largest battle of the Vietnam War yielding the largest number of Australian casualties.

The serving members of the Vietnam war or the Vietnam conflict whichever you wish to call it - were not accepted in to R&SLs or any form of organisation which included defence members until years after the war as many already returned service personnel and Australians alike did not think the Vietnam War was actually a WAR. There were many different names about this War, the Media war, the TV conflict and many more.

The Welcome Home parade was held on the 3rd of October, 1987 and was, for some, the first time they felt recognised.

There are services being held in Forster and Taree whilst members of Nabiac RSL have been invited to join with Karuah and Tea Gardens R&SL at the memorial service in Tea Gardens, and we will be hosting the return visit next year.

Jennefer Trott-Peton

0423 855 024



NABIAAC HOTEL SOCIAL CLUB

NOTICE RE AGM/BBQ



The Club is holding its **AGM on Sunday, 13th August** commencing at 2.30pm at the rear of the Nabiac Hotel. We ask everyone to arrive at 2pm for a prompt commencement of the meeting.

We welcome any new members who may wish to come along and join. Annual fees are due prior to the meeting and are currently set at \$5 for singles & \$10 for couples/families (with children under 18).

Voting will take place for office bearers on the day. You **MUST** be a fully paid up member to attend and cast a vote, as per our Constitution.

Upon joining for the 2018 financial year, each member will receive 2 free drink vouchers. At the conclusion of the meeting, we will be holding a sumptuous BBQ.

So if you want to hear more about our Club, join us on 13th August.

Our many outings throughout the year are a lot of fun and very enjoyable, and most importantly, the Club donates to local community causes on a needs basis. So the more who join will assist us with helping worthy recipients.



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News From The Pews

Nabiac Uniting Church

Services are held every Sunday at 10:15am for fellowship and coffee before commencement of service at 10:30am

Holy Communion is celebrated with the service on the 3rd Sunday.

For information regarding the Uniting Church, Nabiac please contact **Margaret Weller** (6554 1212), **Jill Hammond** (6555 7747)

St John's Anglican Church, Dyers Crossing

A Contemporary Service is held on 2nd Sunday of the month at **11:30am**. Families & children most welcome

Services of Holy Communion will be held at **11:30am** on the 4th Sunday of the month.

A non-denominational Bible Study group meets fortnightly. Ring **Peggy Sawyer** on 6559 1238 for details re times.

St Isidore's Catholic Church, Nabiac

August: Wednesday 2nd at 10.00am (This is a one off by a visiting Priest from Narrabeen)

Mass time Sunday 27th at 9.00am

(note that in future Mass will be held every 4th Sunday in Nabiac)

St Bernadette's Catholic Church, Krambach

August Mass times are: - Saturday 5th at 5.00pm, Sunday 13th at 9.00am, Saturday 19th at 5.00pm,

Could be subject to change - check with **Helen Legg** on 6559 1211

St Thomas' Presbyterian Church, Krambach

A Family Service is held on the last Sunday of each month at 11:15am. A light luncheon is served afterwards. All welcome. Any enquiries please phone Pastor Michael Deal on 6553 0077.

St Paul's Anglican Church, Nabiac

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Hey there everyone, another month has come and gone. How fast was that?

I would like to thank everyone for making Jess welcome. She has become a great asset to our family. Speaking of family, Barb has gone on a well deserved holiday, and will return on the 14th of August. Hope she has a fantastic time. Jess will be filling in on Monday as well as her Friday's, and Saturday by appointment.

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I now leave you all with the saying of the month

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Belinda

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