



# BARRABA COMMUNITY NEWS

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**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

## CELEBRATION OF THE CENTENARY OF THE BARRABA TOWN CLOCK



*Dinner celebration on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November at the Barraba RSL Club*



*Geoff Hagan reads the winner Junior Primary entry (Annabel Kanno). L – R Inverell Shire Mayor, Kate Dight, Marie Smith (great niece of Henry Douglas, Carrier): Patti Crowley and Geoff Hagan*



*Sandra Allen reading her winning entry, Adult section*



*Winner senior Primary Jessica Woodhouse reads her poem*



*Adult Highly Commended – Award presented to Adrienne Hancock by Mayor Kate Dight*



## Letter to the Editor

As Remembrance Day draws near I thought I'd like to share this true story of WW1. It was told to me by my late sister-in-law, Gilleen Barber, concerning her uncle.

*He was fighting in France when the Australians were over run by the German Army. He was lying in a field, badly injured, when he saw a German soldier approaching, fumbling with something on his belt.*

*He thought, "well, this is it, I'm going to get a bullet." To his amazement the soldier pulled out a water bottle, held up his head and gave him a drink.*

The uncle lived to tell the tale and returned to Australia to live a long and useful life.

I wonder how many other stories like this of individual acts of kindness are out there? It wasn't all unspeakable cruelty.

Regards  
Vivienne Mulley

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Val Sweeney (granddaughter of Builder, John Myers) and David York (son of Albert York, Bricklayer) cut the Centenary Cake

## REMEMBRANCE DAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER 2024







Thank you to Terry Threlfall for all the photos

**BARRABA'S WAR MEMORIAL CLOCK  
– ONE HUNDRED YEARS**

A very large crowd, drawn from near and far, gathered in Queen St on Monday morning 11 November 2024, to remember those local men who died in World 1. They also gathered in force to celebrate the centenary of the opening of Barraba's Memorial Clock tower and the workmen and townsfolk who built, and funded, the very impressive tower.

Congratulations to David Kelly and his very hardworking Committee; the rain held off, and the organisation ran like clockwork. The March, that began the ceremony, was large, with a large number of school children participating. When it was time to lay a wreath to commemorate those eighty-five local men who died, many people, often direct relatives, came forward.

Congratulations too, to the members of the band, the Piper, the Marshalls, and all involved; a worthy celebration.



Thank you to the organising committee for the hard work to ensure a very successful 100 year Town Clock Celebration from the Barraba Community News Team.





## The Vic

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- \* Wednesday to Sunday
- \* 11am to 9pm

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## Barraba United Hospital Auxiliary Happenings

The Auxiliary held their street stall on the 8th of November from 9am. The table was laden with books, plants, home cooked cakes and biscuits. Thank you to everyone who donated items for sale. Member Judy Ely's husband, Steve drew the fruit and vege raffle, with the winner being Lyle Brett. Thank you to everyone who supported our stall and to our volunteers who helped.

The lamington drive orders have now closed and can be picked up from the Hospital Day Centre on the 15th November between 9.30am and 11am.



### **BARRABA RSL & RECREATIONAL CLUB LTD**

Phone 67821379

For the information of members and guests.

#### **THIS WEEK**

#### **THURSDAY 14th November**

Bingo from 6pm

#### **FRIDAY 15th November**

**RAFFLES Tickets on sale from 5.30pm**

MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1000

#### **SUNDAY 17th November**

ANGLER CLUB RAFFLES

**Raffles on sale from 12pm, drawn 1.30pm**

MEMBERSHIP DRAW \$1300

#### **HAPPENING SOON**

#### **Friday 13th December**

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DAILY BLACKBOARD SPECIALS AVAILABLE

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MONDAY/TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY: CLOSED

THURS/FRI/SAT: Lunch 12-2pm. Dinner from 6pm

SUNDAY: 12-2pm

### **Barraba Medical Centre**

The surgery will be closed Friday 15th, Monday 18th and Friday 22nd November.

Dr Wearne will be consulting on Tuesday 19th to Thursday 20th November.

Thank you, Medical Centre Staff.







*Students of the Week - Piper, Preston, Makenna*



*Students of the Week - Ryder and Jack S*



*Captains Award - Dexter*



*Reading Awards - Emily, Hudson C and Aahana*



*Reading Award - Hadley*



## Across the Desk from the Principal

### State Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Akira Kanno on achieving a personal best time at the State Athletic Carnival last week! This is a fantastic accomplishment, and we are proud of the hard work and determination Akira has shown in representing our school.

### New Zealand Trip

With only days remaining until the New Zealand trip, excitement is building among the students and teachers who are eagerly anticipating twelve days exploring the beautiful South Island. We wish them safe travels and look forward to hearing all about their adventures.

### Ready to Learn

As we continue to focus on being “Ready to Learn,” it’s essential that students come prepared each day. This includes bringing all necessary equipment, like pens, books, and calculators, wearing the correct school uniform (including leather shoes for safety), and arriving with a positive mindset to tackle the day. Being ready to learn not only sets students up for success but also contributes to a productive and respectful learning environment.

### Reminder of Phone Ban

This is a reminder that the phone ban remains in effect at the secondary campus. This policy helps minimise distractions and supports a more focused learning environment for all.

### Early Starters

Seeing the Early Starters program kick off with our enthusiastic 2025 Kindergarten students has been wonderful. Their excitement and curiosity are a joy to witness, and we look forward to helping them transition smoothly into school life.

### Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day was a huge success, with our grandparents enjoying a delightful “High Tea” on the lawn with their grandchildren. Thank you to Mrs. Sweeny, the SRC, and all the teachers who worked hard to organise this event and make it special. The positive feedback from grandparents has been heartwarming.

### Tafe Hospitality Course on Fridays

We are also thrilled to see our secondary students beginning their Certificate II in Hospitality on Fridays. It is a privilege to have TAFE delivering this qualification, which offers our students valuable skills and opens doors to future career opportunities.

Thank you all for your continued support, and here’s to a productive and inspiring Term 4!

Patrick Sullivan

Principal

### Cafe Basics

11 Barraba Central School students engaged in a Café Basics course this week, which was facilitated and funded by the Educational Pathways Program (EPP).

Over the three days students gained two units of competency (SITHFABO25 - Prepare and serve espresso coffee and SITXFSA005 - Use hygienic practices for food safety), as well as many skills related to barista and safe food handling. On average, the students each made 27 coffees of 9 different types!

Thank you to our local RTO, Community College Northern Inland, for enabling this opportunity to take place.

Jacinta Russell ~ Head Teacher Careers | Educational Pathways Program







## History Notes

Another week has flown by as we rush towards the end of the year. The markets were well supported with a good number of stalls and it was great to see some former residents paying us a visit and enjoying a yarn. There is just one market day left for 2024, in December.

This week we have celebrated the centenary of the clock together with Remembrance Day and by all accounts we have had lots of visitors. Barraba has had lots of festivals over the years and former residents are always keen to come back to celebrate these events. I wonder how many such events our readers can remember.

An early Queen competition was held in the 1950's to build the R.S.L. Hall. Other festivals which I do remember include the Railway in 1969, The Centenary of the Hospital and the Salvation Army in the same year and of course the opening of Richardson House - there are probably more that I don't remember at this moment so please don't hesitate to remind me.

Some of the main street parades were wonderful and have included horses, sulkies, old cars, bush rangers and floats representing various organizations and people. I particularly remember the hospital float at one stage when the "doctor" was about to operate with a huge knife – it wouldn't be allowed now.

An earlier hospital float, probably from the 1930's, carried the winner of the Queen Competition, Mrs Dolly Firth and two princesses. It does not reveal the event it is taking part in. However, we have a year to find out as it is an ideal photo for the 2026 calendar.

While on the subject the 2025 calendars are now available at the museum and hopefully soon in John and Toni's shop. They were at the markets on Saturday and will be next market.

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### HERITAGE GRANTS OPEN FOR NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES

The Hon Aileen MacDonald OAM MLC is encouraging individuals, businesses, local government, and not-for-profit organisations who are the owner, manager, long-term lessee or custodian of an item listed on the State Heritage Register to apply for the latest round of NSW Heritage Grants.

Ms MacDonald said applications are now open for the 2025–27 NSW Heritage Grants Round with grants from \$10,000 to \$300,000 (matched funding) on offer.

“Preserving, maintaining and conserving our heritage is critical to ensuring the longevity of these heritage protected items in our community. Perfect examples of these heritage protected sites include Armidale’s Westpac building, the Imperial Hotel, the Post Office, and the former Courthouse. “In my hometown of Guyra, the railway station is a heritage listed former railway station and now a machinery museum on the Main Northern Railway Line.” Ms MacDonald said. “The aim of this program is about making sure our State listed heritage items can be given the resources they need to be kept for future generations.”

Shadow Minister for the Environment James Griffin said this funding will continue to build on the investment made by the former Liberal and Nationals Government when he was the Minister for Environment and Heritage.

Applications are currently open and close at 10am on 30 January 2025. For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/2025-27-caring-for-state-heritage>

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### LABOR CUTS FUNDING TO WORLD WAR I GRAVES ... AGAIN

The Albanese Labor Government has cut funding again for a dedicated program to mark the private graves of World War I veterans. The program had benefited from \$3.7 million in funding under the previous Coalition Government after a pilot program placed 1,189 markers on the graves of men and women who had served in World War I.

Labor promised to match the Coalition’s \$3.7 million funding for the program on the cusp of the 2022 election: Labor’s first budget cut the funding by more than half to \$1.5 million across four years. It was revealed in Senate Estimates today that Labor has now cut the funding to \$437,000 over four years. The program enables committed individuals and organisations to identify the unmarked graves contributing to the preservation of the memory deserved to those who fought and died to protect our values and way of life.

Former Deputy Prime Minister and Shadow Minister for Veterans’ Affairs, Barnaby Joyce MP, said the further funding cut was a disgrace. An estimated 331,800 Australians were deployed during the First World War. Approximately 60,000 were killed or are listed as missing in action, leaving some 271,800 service men and women who returned to Australia. Mr Joyce said that 170,000 veterans returned with injuries and afflictions sustained in World War I. He said the Department of Veterans’ Affairs statement in Senate Estimates today that funding of only \$18,000 was spent under the program in 2023/24 for 42 graves is unbelievable.

### ANGLICAN CHURCH TIMES

#### St Laurence's Barraba

Sunday service at 10.00am

Woodsreef service 2nd Sunday of the month,  
11:30am

### CATHOLIC CHURCH TIMES

Barraba 1st Sunday of the month, Saturday  
evening Mass 6pm  
All other Sundays 9am

#### Message from Fr. John Curran

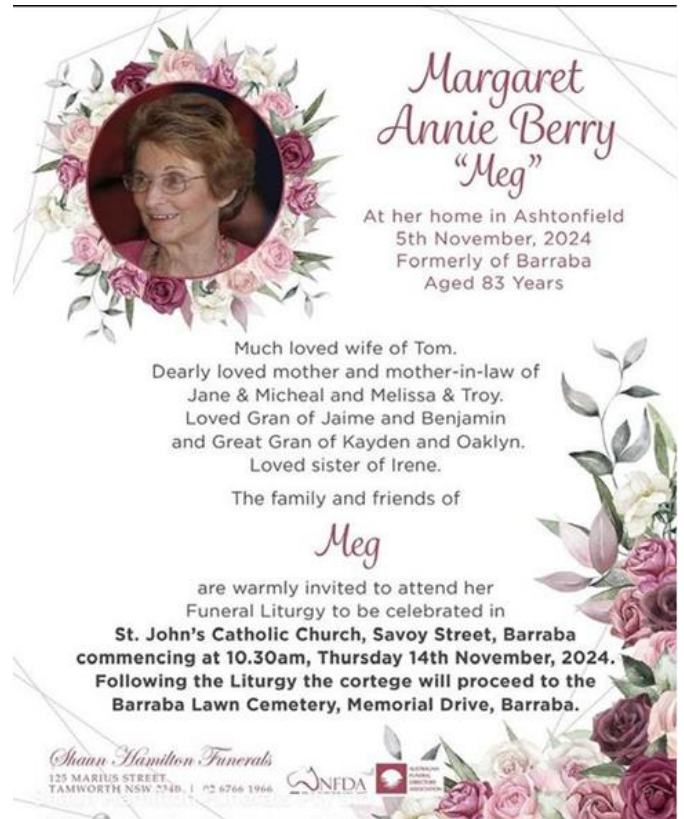
In the year that we've nearly finished, several extra countries have become participants in war, in Africa, the Middle East and Ukraine; as Christians we stand for peace in the world and goodwill to all people; but this peace cannot be achieved without Christ; Christians need to take more seriously Jesus' command of "love one another and treat others as you would have them treat you". However, when Jesus said "I have not come to bring peace but the sword" he meant that many people, in following him, would experience opposition. He did not mean that people should take up weapons and use brutality in order to gain something that they don't already have.

As Christmas is approaching, we love to see people display the greatest image of peace that we could ever dream of; and that is the image of the crib; the place where the saviour was born for us which is a place of refuge, safety from danger, and the nourishment and care of the most tender thing we can think of: that of a newborn child.

Let's keep that image in our minds when we decorate our homes or our front yards; as well as, or even instead of Santa let's have the Christmas Crib. Some of us still write Christmas cards: I like to use religious ones, many of us now just send emails, so when you send one, wish them the peace that only God can give. As I mentioned before, Peace in the world is under threat, and some leaders of countries elected over the last year display signs of instability and unpredictability, and if they make the wrong choices attempting to restore World Peace we need to pray for them to make the right decisions.

May Jesus Christ, the Prince of peace reign in our hearts and fill our homes with his joy.

Greetings to all, from St John's Parish and School, staff members and children.



*Margaret  
Annie Berry  
"Meg"*

At her home in Ashtonfield  
5th November, 2024  
Formerly of Barraba  
Aged 83 Years



Much loved wife of Tom.  
Dearly loved mother and mother-in-law of  
Jane & Micheal and Melissa & Troy.  
Loved Gran of Jaime and Benjamin  
and Great Gran of Kayden and Oaklyn.  
Loved sister of Irene.

The family and friends of

*Meg*

are warmly invited to attend her  
Funeral Liturgy to be celebrated in  
**St. John's Catholic Church, Savoy Street, Barraba**  
commencing at 10.30am, Thursday 14th November, 2024.  
Following the Liturgy the cortege will proceed to the  
Barraba Lawn Cemetery, Memorial Drive, Barraba.

*Shann Hamilton Funerals*  
125 MARIUS STREET,  
TAMWORTH NSW 2340. | P 02 6766 1966

### BARRABA UNITING CHURCH NOTICES

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at Barraba

Return to 10:45am for all services.

All Welcome.

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#### Letters to the Editor

At *Barraba Community News* we welcome 'Letters to the Editor' expressing your opinion on any topic.

It is important to ensure the opinions expressed are not discriminatory or offensive. The Editor reserves the right to use judgement to edit or decline to print should a letter not meet editorial standards.

**Mark your calendars for an unforgettable experience!**

Tamworth Brewfest is returning on Saturday 23 November, promising a day filled with the finest craft beers, delectable food offerings, live entertainment, and an unbeatable atmosphere.



**TICKETS: Pre-Purchase: \$35, At the Gate: \$40**





### State Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Akira who competed at the NSW State Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 23 October 2024 in Sydney in the 13yrs 100m.

He achieved a PB time. What an achievement!



### Golf Notes

Lachie Smith (Ruttleys Earthmoving) carded 23 points to claim Friday's Chicken run. Runner up was new golfer Ryan Rogers 22 points, Peter Summerell (Who Gives a Putt) 21, Jock Mallise (Ruttleys Earthmoving) 20, Kevin Hawkshaw (Who Gives a Putt) 20, Luke Smith (Eagle Hunters) 20, Richard Pudicomb (Stock & Crop) 19 and Bevan Benson (The Forgettables) also 19 points.

Ben Freeman with 8 points took out the 5 hole event from Jack Ward 6, Rudi Hart 6 and Mitch Nieborak also on 6 points.

Probably the closest Teams Leaderboard for a number of years.

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 117- Young Generation     | 117- Over the Hill  |
| 117- Who Gives a Putt     | 114- Stock and Crop |
| 111- Ruttleys Earthmoving | 109- The Wouldbes,  |
| 108- 6666                 | 108- Eagle Hunters  |
| 105- The Forgettables     | 104- Family Affair, |
| 102- The Bogey Men        | 100- No Hoppers     |
| 97- New and Old           | 92- Geriatrics      |
| 87- No Names              | 79- Vintage         |
| 37-Hackers                | 30- Worm Burners    |

### Golf Notes - What's Coming Up

#### Ladies Try Golf.

We have rescheduled our "Ladies Try Golf" to Friday 22nd November at 5 PM with tuition from Sophie Cusack, NSW Northern Region coach. No need to have your own sticks, just come out and get the basics of trying golf and finish it with a drink and chat. Sophie will also be working with our current Club Juniors at 3.30PM. So good to see so much interest in our twilight Friday golf.

#### Sunday Working Bee

Thank you to all the helpers last Sunday 10th November oiling the greens. Your help was much appreciated.

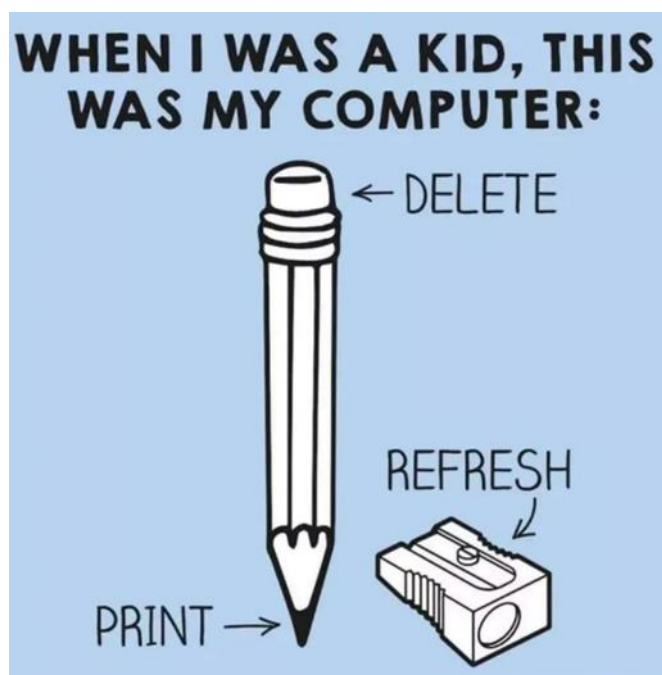
#### Golf Presentation Dinner

We are having our 2024 Season Presentation Dinner on Thursday 28th November at the Commercial Hotel. It's the night everyone has a night off from the club kitchen and bar and we hand out the major trophies of the season. Please advise Mandy of bookings.

#### Save the Date

**Barraba Golf Club  
100 Year Centenary Celebrations  
Saturday 29th March 2025.**

We are undertaking plans for our Clubs Centenary activities over the weekend of 29th March next year. It's proposed to play Golf Saturday followed by our Centenary Dinner and a Hole Signage Auction. It would be wonderful to see a lot of our current and former Members, Associates and Juniors join us for a great weekend culminating in the Hole Signage Auction after the formal Dinner.





## **Are you over 75? Here's what you need to know about vitamin D**

*Elina Hypponen, Professor of Nutritional and Genetic Epidemiology, University of South Australia*

*Joshua Sutherland, PhD Candidate - Nutrition and Genetic Epidemiology, University of South Australia*

Vitamin D is essential for bone health, immune function and overall wellbeing. And it becomes even more crucial as we age. New guidelines from the international Endocrine Society recommend people aged 75 and over should consider taking vitamin D supplements. But why is vitamin D so important for older adults? And how much should they take?

### **Young people get most vitamin D from the sun**

In Australia, it is possible for most people under 75 to get enough vitamin D from the sun throughout the year. For those who live in the top half of Australia – and for all of us during summer – we only need to have skin exposed to the sun for a few minutes on most days. The body can only produce a certain amount of vitamin D at a time. So, staying in the sun any longer than needed is not going to help increase your vitamin D levels, while it will increase your risk of skin cancer. But it's difficult for people aged over 75 to get enough vitamin D from a few minutes of sunshine, so the Endocrine Society recommends people get 800 IU (international units) of vitamin D a day from food or supplements.

### **Why you need more as you age**

This is higher than the recommendation for younger adults, reflecting the increased needs and reduced ability of older bodies to produce and absorb vitamin D. Overall, older adults also tend to have less exposure to sunlight, which is the primary source of natural vitamin D production. Older adults may spend more time indoors and wear more clothing when outdoors.

As we age, our skin also becomes less efficient at synthesising vitamin D from sunlight. The kidneys and the liver, which help convert vitamin D into its active form, also lose some of their efficiency with age. This makes it harder for the body to maintain adequate levels of the vitamin. All of this combined means older adults need more vitamin D.

### **Deficiency is common in older adults**

Despite their higher needs for vitamin D, people over 75 may not get enough of it. Studies have shown one in five older adults in Australia have vitamin D deficiency. In higher-latitude parts of the world, such as the United Kingdom, almost half don't reach sufficient levels. This increased risk of deficiency is partly due to lifestyle factors, such as spending less time outdoors and insufficient dietary intakes of vitamin D.

It's difficult to get enough vitamin D from food alone. Oily fish, eggs and some mushrooms are good sources of vitamin D, but few other foods contain much of the vitamin. While foods can be fortified with the vitamin D (margarine, some milk and cereals), these may not be readily available or be consumed in sufficient amounts to make a difference.

In some countries such as the United States, most of the dietary vitamin D comes from fortified products. However, in Australia, dietary intakes of vitamin D are typically very low because only a few foods are fortified with it.

### **Why vitamin D is so important as we age**

Vitamin D helps the body absorb calcium, which is essential for maintaining bone density and strength. As we age, our bones become more fragile, increasing the risk of fractures and conditions like osteoporosis. Keeping bones healthy is crucial. Studies have shown older people hospitalised with hip fractures are 3.5 times more likely to die in the next 12 months compared to people who aren't injured.



Vitamin D may also help lower the risk of respiratory infections, which can be more serious in this age group. There is also emerging evidence for other potential benefits,

including better brain health. However, this requires more research. According to the society's systematic review, which summarises evidence from randomised controlled trials of vitamin D supplementation in humans, there is moderate evidence to suggest vitamin D supplementation can lower the risk of premature death. The society estimates supplements can prevent six deaths per 1,000 people. When considering the uncertainty in the available evidence, the actual number could range from as many as 11 fewer deaths to no benefit at all.

### **Should we get our vitamin D levels tested?**

The Endocrine Society's guidelines suggest routine blood tests to measure vitamin D levels are not necessary for most healthy people over 75. There is no clear evidence that regular testing provides significant benefits, unless the person has a specific medical condition that affects vitamin D metabolism, such as kidney disease or certain bone disorders.

Routine testing can also be expensive and inconvenient. In most cases, the recommended approach to over-75s is to consider a daily supplement, without the need for testing. You can also try to boost your vitamin D by adding fortified foods to your diet, which might lower the dose you need from supplementation. Even if you're getting a few minutes of sunlight a day, a daily vitamin D is still recommended.

## THE BARRABA WAR MEMORIAL CLOCK

The Barraba War Memorial is a red brick, square obelisk with four-sides and with clock on top. Plaques on three sides of the base reads "To perpetuate the memory of the men of Barraba and District who made the supreme sacrifice, 1914 the great war 1919". Below are the inscribed names of the fallen 57 servicemen of the Great War. Erected by the Barraba Branch of the Returned Servicemen's League in 1924. The Memorial was officially unveiled on 11 November, 1924 and is the focal point for the annual Anzac Day Celebrations. *In this centenary year we should stop not only to remember those men and woman who fought and died in all conflicts, but to the families of those Barraba men who served in World One to have the insight, and to raise the money (1050 pounds) to erect such a monument, all this within five years after the wars end.*

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**The year is passing fast and Christmas is only a few weeks away.**

**If you wish to advertise your Christmas greetings, opening and closing dates to your customers or members please contact us to book some space in our last edition for 2024 on the 18<sup>th</sup> December.**

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## RECENT ANNIVERSARIES

Leon Trotsky being expelled from the Soviet Communist Party, paving the way for Joseph Stalin to consolidate power (1927)

The first known photo of the Loch Ness Monster being taken by Hugh Gray (1933)

Ned Kelly being hanged at Melbourne Gaol (1880)

The opening of the Australian War Memorial in Canberra (1941)

PM Gough Whitlam being removed from office by Governor General Sir John Kerr (1975)

German physicist Wilhelm Röntgen producing and detecting X-rays for the first time (1895)

The birthdays of astronomer Edmond Halley (1656), and Gone with the Wind author Margaret Mitchell (1900)

Australia voting against a proposal to become a republic (1999)

The launch of the Monopoly board game by the Parker Brothers (1935)

Archaeologist Howard Carter discovering the tomb of Tutankhamun in Egypt (1922), the premiere of the film Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone (2001)

The premiere of William Shakespeare's play Othello (1604) and the blockbuster film Titanic (1997)

The birthday of Marie Antionette (1755)

The first publication of women's fashion magazine Harper's Bazaar (1867)

The start of 'The Great Emu War' when Aussie soldiers were engaged to cull crop-destroying emus in WA (1932)