

Crooble Chronicle

February 2014

Hello All,

A big bouquet to Bernie Allport for sending me in some terrific photos of Santa antics from around the district over Christmas and New Year and fabulous summer sunsets at Nth Star. Stay tuned in the March issue, for a profile of a local rising star, talented milliner, Sophie Allport, who's creations have been turning heads during the racing season, both locally and beyond. Plenty happening around the community to keep our minds off the fact that it still isn't raining.....maybe this weekend.....☺

Keep Safe and don't forget Valentines Day!! ♥♥♥♥♥



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Shhh ...
Ladies,
we need your help ...



We need to borrow your men folk for an evening but we know they won't come unless you bring them!

NSW Farmers knows it is so important for farmers and their families to get out and about during tough times and know where help is if we need it.

This is the *inspiration* behind a social gathering and BBQ in Warialda.

WHERE: Warialda Showground
WHEN: Tuesday 18 February, from 6.30pm

Please RSVP for catering to Stuart Murdoch - NSW Farmers 0427 437 103

Warialda Shire Council & Warialda District Council will sponsor a pickup bus from Gravesend leaving at 6.10pm



We'll enjoy wholesome tucker provided by local CWA ladies and hear from *great speakers*, including one on mental fitness and a personal trainer on physical health (*wear your joggers!*).

Afterwards, you'll go home with a bag full of *handy resources* and a list of books other farmers have found to be a good read and one lucky farmer will go home with a highly sought after NSW Farmers esky.

So really, it is all about having some fun with a serious side hidden in there.



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Can you please help us by bringing the men folk along - husbands, brothers, dads, sons, friends!

Bring the whole family - it's times like these we all need to stick together!



Good people to know.



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Local Land Services

Reminder!

**Enrol to vote
In the March
elections
to the Board of your
local LLS
You need to be
registered to vote
By the 17th February
To register follow the
following link:
<http://www.lls.nsw.gov.au>**

North Star CWA
Branch meet on the fourth Tuesday of the
month at 9.30 for 10am
All welcome!





Croppa Creek Classic!

On January 18th a bike ride was held in Croppa Creek. Titled the “Croppa Creek Classic”, the event was organised by the Moree Triathlon Club with the 96km circuit keenly contested by 22 cyclists. Participants travelled from Moree, Goondiwindi, Inverell and Croppa Creek. The riders set out from the Croppa Creek Store around 7am and took a little over 3hours to complete the loop through North Star and the Warialda/Croppa Creek Road. After arriving back at the store, the riders enjoyed a wonderful breakfast and drinks at the Croppa Creek Store. It was great to see our newest Councillor, Jim “Curley” Moore and his wife Chris at the event; thanks for your support and attendance .



The Tree of Knowledge!

The Croppa Store has had a number of curious phone calls about the log/stump/tree that has been placed at the end of the ‘Mad Mile’. For interested locals, it will soon be the basis for our village entrance sign. The Tree has special significance in that it is the former “Tree of Knowledge”. This was the tree that locals met under to decide to build the Croppa Creek Bowls Club. With the assistance of the GSC and keen locals the sign is in the design process. The picture above is a ‘mock up ’ of what the sign could potentially look like.

Croppa Creek Happenings

- ❖ **Social bowls Sat arvo's @ 5.30pm** during day light saving. New players welcome, ladies & men young or mature, come & have a bit of fun. Lawrie Timmins 0427545227 for more information.
- ❖ **DrumMuster bookings to Lawrie Timmins 0427545227** Thanks to all who do help with organising their deliveries, and do the right thing.
- ❖ Croppa Creek Bowling Club directors meetings are held on the 2nd Wed of each month at 7.30pm.
- ❖ **Golf on demand! . Golf course is ready to go, get your family, mates & anyone else you like & get out there!**



FOR THE LOVERS of Pizza & Pasta

Friday 14th February

Dinner @ the
Croppa Creek Bowling Club

Enjoy a Pizza or share a romantic Spaghetti
Bolognese (Disney's Lady & the Tramp Style)

Kids and Gluten Free options available



North Star Pony Club

MEETING AND AGM

FRI 14TH FEB

NORTH STAR CLUB

6.30PM DST



Drought assistance announced

The Minister for Primary Industries Katrina Hodgkinson announced an expansion of drought support measures to a number of drought affected regions across NSW. This includes the following Local Government Areas:

Armidale, Bogan, Central Darling, Cobar, Coonamble, Gilgandra, Glen Innes, Gunnedah, Guyra, Gwydir, Inverell, Moree Plains, Narrabri, Tamworth Regional, Tenterfield, Uralla, Walcha, Warren, Warrumbungle, Broken Hill, Unincorporated Area.

The NSW Government has committed \$7 million to drought support measures which include:

- Up to \$20,000 per producer in the form of a transport subsidy for the transport of stock to sale, slaughter or agistment, fodder for stock, drinking water for stock and domestic water.
- Up to \$30,000 per producer is available for the installation of water infrastructure for livestock.
- The waiving of Local Land Services rates, Western Lands Lease payments and Wild Dog Destruction Board fees.

All of the information will be on the NSW Rural Assistance Authority (RAA) [website](#) and landholders can contact the RAA directly on 1800 678 593.



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- Crooble 9.30 - 2.30
- North Star 9.00 - 2.30
- Yallaroi 9.00 - 2.30
- Yetman 9.30 - 3.00
- Tulloona 9.00 - 2.30

We welcome all families to attend at any or all of the venues. We have activities for children from birth to 6 years and it provides a great opportunity for the mums/dads to get together.

We offer a flexible play group and Preschool program giving your child/ren the opportunity to accomplish developmental milestones and have FUN with other children.

AGM
26th February
Yallaroi Hall at 10am



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Moree Plains Gallery: 'Misanthropology: The World Art of Adam Rish' 15th February - 30th March 2014

Location: Moree Plains Gallery,
Cnr Frome & Heber St's
Contact: Moree Plains Gallery
(02) 6757 3320

Event Details:

Adam Rish's interest is in cross cultural collaboration as 'world art'. He has worked with indigenous artists in Australia, Indonesia, Tonga and the USA making ceramics, paintings, prints, sculpture and textiles since 1975.

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Moree Race Club: FMBC Cotton Cup Charity Races



Saturday 22nd February 2014

Time: Gates open 12:30pm,
First Race 3pm.

Location: Moree Race Course

Cost: \$15

Contact: Michelle Gobbert
0428 644 581

Event Details:

Fashions on the field, live band after the races' till late. Also featuring the Cotton Cocktail Club catered by Any Occasion, with tickets \$60 per person. A courtesy bus will be available from the Golf Club & the Royal Hotel before and after the races.

Croppa Creek Bowling Club Coffee Shop



Sundays 9am – 12:00pm

Please come and enjoy the morning.
Come for a leisurely drive, invite your friends from out of town, or call in after church.

Elaine and Scott will
give you a warm welcome.

Child and Family Health Nurse Visits to Croppa Creek 2014

Child Health Checks, immunisation, support and information to families with young children. Childhood Immunisations are available by prior arrangement

Dates for 2014

26th February

26th March

30th April

28th May

25th June

30th July

27th August

17th September

29th October

26th November

17th December- by appointment

Please ring Debbie to book an appointment if possible (or drop - in)

Where: Croppa Creek Public School

Time: 12:30 pm till 3:00 pm

Contact: Debbie Armstrong (02) 6728 9072 or
0429 100 342 for more information.

Croppa Creek Bowling Club

Q. Why did the turkey cross the road?
A. To prove that he wasn't chicken!

Knock, knock
Who's there?
Bach
Bach who?
Bach, Bach I'm a chicken.

Chicken & Seafood Night

Bookings required and must be paid in advanced to confirm your booking.

Book at the Croppa Creek Bowling Club
Ph: 67545484 or email Margot at margotc9@gmail.com

Payment is required by 10 March 2013
We accept Direct Deposit, Cash or Cheque
For Direct Deposit details email Margot.

15 March 2014



Seafood Adult	\$45
Children	\$15
Chicken Adult	\$20
Children	\$10

(Children – Primary School Age)
Salads available with meals



Club opens from 6pm

Happy Birthday!

January – Barb Schultz, Wendy & Will Forsyth, Cassie Coleman, Jennifer Kennett, Kym Canham, James Gall, Leeah Daley, Elaine Burnett, Hayley Timmins, Scott Ramsay, Rowy Brennan, Daryl Bartelen, Amelia and Angela Doering.

February – Mark Coulton, Max Eastcott, Faye & Aimee Sullivan, Holly Gall, Tim Allport, Richard Doering, Maxine Winkley (My MUM)

The Community Mutual Group presents: Fundraising Event for Danielle Bridge

Friday 21st February 2014

Time: 6:30pm
Location: Moree Services Club
Cost: \$25 pp-incl. finger food

Event Details:

Assistant Branch Manager, Danielle, has just been through major surgery after being diagnosed with cancer. Help one of our own by attending this Hawaiian Themed fundraiser. There will be a monster auction, raffle, head shaving and more...

Community groups and Landcare groups are invited to attend a half-day free workshop in Bingara all about increasing skills in corporate governance.

The 'Hothouse Workshops' are great for committee members, volunteers and Landcare staff who want to find out more about strengthening internal procedures and ensuring good governance of their community group.

Workshops welcome participants with no previous training in governance and are presented in plain English with easy to understand resources.

The Bingara workshop on Wednesday 26th February will provide 4 sessions focused on:

- Corporate Governance and Reporting Obligations
- Work Health and Safety
- Communications
- Roles and responsibilities of the Committee

All workshops are fully catered and bookings are essential with Upper Gwydir Landcare Association (UGLA). Registrations open 15th January, via email: cso@gwydir.nsw.gov.au / ugla@gwydir.nsw.gov.au or post to UGLA, PO Box 108, BINGARA NSW 2404.



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Cheesy Cauliflower Pancakes are low carb, super tasty, and perfect for lunch or a side dish. Ingredients •1 head cauliflower (or a 16 oz bag of frozen cauliflower) •2 large eggs •½-¾ cup shredded cheddar cheese (I love cheese, so use closer to ¾ cup) •¼ cup diced green onions •½-1 cup bread crumbs (I usually need closer to 1 cup) •½ tsp cayenne pepper (more or less to taste) •salt •olive oil •light sour cream (optional) Instructions 1.Cut cauliflower into florets and cook in boiling water until tender, about 10 minutes 2.Drain and mash the cauliflower while it is still warm 3.Stir cheese, eggs, green onions, bread crumbs, cayenne & salt to taste 4.Coat the bottom of a skillet with olive oil over medium-high heat 5.Form the cauliflower mixture into patties about 3 inches across 6.Cook until golden brown & set, about 3 minutes per side 7.Enjoy with some light sour cream!



**Crooble Hall
Committee**
Meets on the first
Monday of the month
at 7.30pm
All Welcome

NOMINATE A SENIOR FOR 2014 NORTHERN TABLELANDS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

DO you know a senior with tireless energy and determination? Someone who puts their community and loved ones before themselves and deserves a pat on the back? Why not take the opportunity to recognise them.

State MP Adam Marshall is urging people to nominate for the 2014 NSW Seniors Week Northern Tablelands Local Achievement Awards, which he launched recently at Armidale's University of the Third Age (U3A). "Seniors make such an important contribution to their local community and the awards are a way in which each local community can show its appreciation for the talents, skills and generosity of this impressive group," he said. The awards will celebrate seniors for their achievement in 3 categories:

- Organisation - recognising seniors' organisations that contribute to making their community invigorating, active and a healthy place to live;
- Individual (Community Service) - awarding an individual who dedicates their efforts, time and energy towards community projects and charities; and
- Individual (Outstanding Achievement) - recognising an individual's outstanding, long-term contribution to and/or achievement within their community. This could relate to several areas such as business, work within schools or community centres, campaigning for protection of wildlife or development of rural industry, sport and fitness advocates, pursuit for knowledge in senior years and development of education programs.

Mr Marshall said that he was keen to celebrate the vital and important role seniors played in the community and believed it important to give thanks where it is due.

Nominations close at 5pm on Monday, 3 March 2014 and forms can be collected from council administration centres in Tenterfield, Glen Innes, Inverell, Warialda, Bingara, Walcha, Uralla, Guyra and in Armidale at Kent House Community Centre or the office of the Member for Northern Tablelands at 175 Rusden Street.

The awards will be presented by Mr Marshall during 2014 NSW Seniors Week which is being held between 15-23 March 2014.

For more details, call the office of the Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall on 6772 5552 or request a nomination form via email at kaye.mccoll@parliament.nsw.gov.au

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conversation is not only
to say the right thing in
the right place, but to
leave unsaid the wrong
thing at the tempting
moment.*

Dorothy Nevill

CHURCH NOTES

St Johns Milguy

February

16	Layreading	9.00am
23	Pastor Doecke	11:00 am HC

March

2	Layreading	9.00am
9	Pastor Fiedler	10.30 am HC (Moree + Parish meeting)
16	Layreading	9.00am
23	Pr Doecke	11:00 am HC
30	Layreading	9.00am

Crooble Hall Fellowship:

Mens fellowship commencing this Friday 15th Feb with BBQ and bible study, 7.30pm for 8 start.

Anglican Parish of Boggabilla worship at:

St Anne's Croppa Creek - 2nd and 4th Sundays at 9.00 am

Yallaroi Hall - 2nd Sunday at 11.30 am

St David's Tulloona - 4th Sunday (22nd) at 11.00 am

St Peter's North Star - weekly at 5.00 pm (6.00 pm DST); 5th

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Field Day

Practical Experience of Irrigation Technologies

Wednesday 26th February 2014

Keytah Bull Ring

2pm to 6pm

RSVP: Monday 24th February 2014

02 6752 1399

lou.gall@gvia.org.au

2:00	GVIA and Valley Update	Zara Lowien, GVIA
2:30	Dynamic Deficits and BIOTIC	Rose Brodrick and Coast Onoride CSIRO
3:00	Implications of Irrigation Systems for Whole Farm Management	Nick Gillingham, Sundown Pastoral Company
3:30	Energy Use on Farm	Janelle Montgomery, NSW DPI and Phil Szabo NCEA.
4:00	Measuring Water in Irrigation Systems	Water Quip Moree

Move to Irrigation System Comparison site
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4:45	Trial Update and In-Field Experience	Lou Gall GVIA
5:30	Drinks and Bar-B-Q at the Keytah Bull Ring	

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CALENDAR

February

- 14th North Star Pony Club AGM
Pizza & Pasta for Lovers on Valentines Day! ♥♥♥♥
- 17th LLS Enrolment to vote closes
- 18th Warialda Social Gathering 6.30pm
- North Star CWA
- 26th Irrigation Field Day – Keytah
Hothouse Workshop - Bingara
Family Health Nurse Visit
Tharawonga AGM - Yallaroi



March

- 3rd Crooble Hall Committee Meeting
- 12th Croppa Creek Club Directors meeting
- 15th Prawn and Chicken Night

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