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28 October 2026

Peter Blomfield recognised as NSW Tidy Towns Local Hero

More than 60 years of dedication to his community has earned Walcha's Peter Blomfield statewide recognition, with Peter taking home a prestigious Local Heroes Award at the 2026 Keep Australia Beautiful NSW Tidy Towns Awards held in Orange recently.

From fighting fires and serving on Council to championing renewable energy and sustainable farming, Peter has made an extraordinary contribution to Walcha, leaving a lasting legacy across many aspects of community life.

His achievements were recognised at the awards ceremony on Saturday 17 October, where he was named the winner of the Local Heroes Award in Walcha's population category.

Peter's nomination highlighted not only his remarkable record of community service but also his vision and willingness to champion initiatives well ahead of their time.

Perhaps one of the most notable examples was his involvement in co-founding a community-benefit wind energy project in 2004, more than two decades before the renewable energy transition became such a prominent issue across the New England region.

His commitment to the community has extended well beyond environmental initiatives, including approximately 35 years serving as a Captain with the Rural Fire Service and thirteen years as a Walcha Councillor.

Throughout those years, Peter has demonstrated a willingness to tackle difficult issues, including those which have divided community opinion, while continuing to advocate for what he believes will deliver long-term benefits for the environment and future generations.

His contribution has also extended to the arts, tourism and community resilience, reflecting a lifelong commitment to making Walcha a better place to live.

The Local Heroes Award recognises individuals whose leadership, dedication and community spirit have made an outstanding contribution to their towns.



For a small rural community such as Walcha, Peter's recognition is a fitting acknowledgement of the enormous difference one individual can make over a lifetime of service.

Walcha had further reason to celebrate at the awards, with the town named as one of seven finalists for the prestigious Overall Tidy Towns Award, alongside Bellingen, Coomba Park, Dungog, Leeton, Moss Vale and Parkes. Dungog ultimately claimed the title.

The Walcha Business Group was also recognised, receiving a Highly Commended award in the Community Spirit and Inclusion category for its *WinterFest: Walcha's Winter Connection* initiative.

The recognition acknowledges the efforts of local businesses and organisers to bring the community together during the winter months, while attracting visitors and supporting the town's economy.

The three achievements are a wonderful reflection of the community spirit that continues to make Walcha such a special place, and a reminder that even the smallest communities can make a significant impact.

Editor's Note: At the time of going to print we were deeply saddened to hear of Peter's passing.

Our thoughts are with his family as they grieve the passing of such a wonderful man who was committed to his family and community.

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around the traps



By SIMON NEWTON

What a difference a week can make with the weather finally turning in our favour and rainfall totals exceeding 75mm for the week around the district. Multiple falls throughout the week have totalled anywhere from 75mm to 100mm and furthermore, the rain fell over drought-stricken areas throughout northern NSW and southern QLD. The district is looking a picture at present, and we have really started to grow some grass and before this week we were just limping along with small falls of rain which has been beneficial, but not as much as a decent soaking. Talking with multiple producers around the district and totals are exceeding 100mm for the month of October and closer to 150mm for some which is setting our season up for the rest of the year. The week ahead looks dry but we are in for another chance of rain over the weekend.

It's been some time since we have seen water running around the district, but Monday afternoon isolated storms had water running south of town, dams overflowing and a fresh in the Aspley River. Big falls have been recorded in QLD with large areas yielding from 100-200mm of rain causing flash flooding for multiple areas. Areas that have been bone dry to date have received excellent rainfall and runoff rain to fill dry dams which has followed south into Northern NSW and the New England tablelands. This event has been a game changer for all, especially graziers who had little to no rain to date and have now had 5 inches of rain fall over the last week and remembering these producers were still hand feeding. We saw the markets start to rise 4 weeks ago and now it has really lifted on the back on this weather event as numbers dry up and restockers re enter the market in their droves. The reduction in numbers entering the market has forced processors to lift their grids by 10-20c/kg and even push northern processors south to find suitable to kill with reports of a northern processor buying cattle out of the western districts of Victoria last week. It has been a long while since we have seen northern processors shopping in the south as most of the trucks have been running from the north to the south with slaughter cattle.

EYCI has cracked 1000c/kg again and looks to be still climbing as phones continue to ring looking for livestock to buy. The market from the south to the north is a solid as I have seen it for some time when we have seen 310kg unweaned Angus steers in the south selling for \$6.55/kg while Charolais X steer weaners in Roma fat sale made over 700c/kg last week. No matter who you talk to now, they can all handle some cattle which is the main driver of why this market is around to stay for the immediate future, especially considering we are on the start of our main growing season and not the end. Breeder cattle have also lifted with young breeding units finally entering territory which put them more inline with the current young cattle prices as the best of the units topping at \$3880 on Friday. Regardless, the opportunity still presents itself to purchase lightweight cattle for higher cents per kilo, but how long this continues is anyone's guess as the improved season will push weights higher as producers chase extra money for their cattle. We must all remember the large amount of cattle that left the northern part of NSW 6 months earlier and these numbers have not returned to date.

Once again, the shining light of the week has been the sheep market with first cross ewes breaking yet another national record, this time in Cowra as they hit \$641 per ewe. These values seem ridiculous, but the price of mutton and lamb coupled together at present make these values stack up. I mentioned it last year that we hadn't seen the shortage of sheep and lamb yet, well that market is upon us in 2026 due to lack of overall numbers. There is a pretty similar scenario brewing in the beef industry for 2027 but there are plenty of wheels to be all turning in the same direction for it to happen.



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Walcha SES recognised 50 years of Service

The Walcha State Emergency Service (SES) has been recognised in NSW Parliament as it celebrates 50 years of dedicated service to the local community.

Member for Northern Tablelands Brendan Moylan MP acknowledged the significant milestone in a Community Recognition Statement presented to the Legislative Assembly of NSW on September 17, 2026.

Since its establishment in 1976, the Walcha SES has played a vital role in supporting the community through floods, storms, road crash rescues, searches and other emergencies.

For five decades, volunteers have generously given their time, skills and commitment to helping others, often responding in challenging circumstances when their community needs them most.

In his statement, Brendan Moylan congratulated both current and former members of the Walcha SES on reaching the milestone, recognising their dedication, professionalism and willingness to serve.

He acknowledged the important contribution volunteers have made to protecting lives, supporting families and strengthening the resilience of the Walcha community.

Brendan Moylan also paid tribute to members past and present, including Rodney Bath, Bernie Brady, Bob Burnell, Juan Carey, Chris Feltham, Warwick Fletcher, Mark Fox, Mandy Haslem, Steve Lisle, Joe Mansfield, Don McHattan, Peter McNeill, Norm Miller, Meg Nolan, Colin and Carolyn Noon, Cameron Norbury, Terry Olsen, Lynette Partridge, Shane Paul, Danny Reardon, David Salter, Peter Sendall, Patrick Stace, Lindsay Stace, John Stuart, Steve Wiggins, Lisa Wratten and the late Ron Dyason.

Their outstanding service and commitment were recognised as examples of the very best of volunteerism and community spirit.

The parliamentary recognition is a fitting tribute to the countless hours contributed by Walcha SES volunteers over the past 50 years.

As the unit celebrates its golden anniversary, the milestone serves as a reminder of the invaluable role volunteers play in keeping the Walcha community safe and supported.



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letters to the editor



Generators tapping out, but Energy Co still on the march

Booralong Wind is gone. Skye Ridge Wind is gone. Now Ovens Mountain Pumped Hydro – a little sister to Snowy 2.0 – has been dropped too. All in the last 3 months.

At what point does someone in Sydney stop and ask the obvious question: what generation is this \$20 billion New England REZ transmission project actually being built for?

Wind development costs have skyrocketed. Developers are walking away. After years of wind assessment, the New England region is no longer a premium wind resource. Yet EnergyCo remains determined to push ahead with what could be the most difficult and expensive transmission project in Australia – through some of our best farming country, forests and landscapes – to reach an area where the generators themselves are disappearing.

The case for fundamentally reassessing, if not scrapping, the New England REZ is becoming stronger by the month. Instead, the NSW Government appears panicked into building an enormous extension lead to nowhere.

And the warning signs are all through the EIS.

It is vague and incomplete, repeatedly promising that important details, designs, management plans and mitigation measures will be worked out after approval. That is not good enough for a project of this scale. In many respects it falls below the standard of the Central-West Orana REZ EIS – and that project has already suffered extraordinary cost escalation, from an early estimate of around \$570 million to about \$5.6 billion.

The unknowns here are even greater.

That creates risk for our farms, our water, our roads, our communities and our landscape. But it also creates enormous risk to construction timelines and cost control. If EnergyCo does not yet know precisely how key parts of this project will be built, serviced and managed, how can anyone have confidence in what it will ultimately cost?

We need your help. Make a submission. Ask your family and friends to make one too. We want 1000 submissions. This EIS needs to hear, loudly and clearly, that “we’ll work it out later” is not an acceptable plan for the New England.

Our battle is certainly not over – not for this community, and not for NSW electricity

consumers who may ultimately be asked to pay for a multi-billion-dollar dud.

Voice for Walcha and Walcha High Country Guardians will be putting together a summary of findings and issues to consider, when writing your submission. (See Page 6)

Voice for Walcha and Walcha High Country Guardians

Recyclable collection on again

For all of you that have been collecting the small recycling pieces over the years that I used to collect, there is someone else that is going to take it on. So you can save your milk bottle tops (preferably rinsed please) from plain and flavoured milk, plastic only bread clips, tea bag tags and ring pulls again. They can still be dropped off at the Visitor Information Centre into the bin there. Please keep ring pulls separate as I am still collecting them. If you would like to collect tea bag strings, they can be left at the Craft Shop. Thank you to the person that has decided to take it on again. It does save a lot of stuff going into landfill. Thank you also to the community, as I’m sure you will not hesitate to get collecting again.

Suzie Harrison

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Walcha students inspired by the gift of service

When Willa Street and Mark Grayling enthusiastically volunteered to be part of The Armidale School's 26th Christian service trip to St Christopher's Home in Suva, Fiji, last month, the two Walcha students didn't realise the adventure would be so profound.

"During our time there we renovated the Home's medical centre, cleaned out the toy room, fixed a trampoline, painted the ceilings in the girls' dorms, and also gardened and repaired scooters and bikes. We also met all the children and experienced a bit of life in Fiji," Willa said.

"To do something out of my comfort zone and help others, like fixing their equipment at the home and meeting new people like the children, was really rewarding because we gave our spare time to help others and by doing that, we learnt things we never knew we would. It also made me reflect that not everyone has a family or a long life expectancy, but they are all happy and never want to give up – this really taught me to appreciate what I have and that not everyone has the same privileges we do," Willa said. Mark agreed: "I think we all learnt to appreciate how lucky we are in Australia to have solid houses and the things we have in life, but they were all happy even without that," he said. "It was really rewarding to see what we had achieved, but perhaps the most challenging part of it was saying goodbye to my buddy."

For almost 30 years students and staff from TAS have been visiting St Christopher's and found meaning by undertaking projects ranging from weeding vegetable gardens to fundraising for and installing a solar hot water system and building personal relationships with the residents, most of the children, being orphans. Maintenance is an ongoing focus, with one of key projects for the 14 TAS students this year, being a revamp of the Home's sick bay which hadn't been in use since Covid. Students cleared the space of broken furniture which was being stored there, cleaned every surface and the many-panelled louvred windows and made new curtains,

before installing brand new beds.

The humility and reward of service for those less fortunate was evident for all who took part, according to co-ordinator Ms Fiona Taber.

"The students come away with a sense of gratitude for what they have in their own lives but their sense of humility at the life-long service of Sister Kalo and others who run the Orphanage is also very real. They really do sense the reward of serving others, not just the Home's residents, but for cooking and cleaning for each other as well," said Ms Taber, who first visited St Christopher's in 2011.

"The way the students grow and develop as more informed and compassionate young people, building relationships without the distraction of mobile phones and other devices, is also wonderful to see."

The annual St Christopher's visit is just one of several initiatives at TAS that seek to instil a life-long culture of service.



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AT A GLANCE

- 6GW** Planned Transfer Capacity
- 240km** DUAL 500kV Route
- 5** Proposed Energy Hubs

✓ Use these issues as prompts. *Your own local knowledge matters.*

Landscape and Environment

Steep country, erosion and waterways

The proposed route crosses rugged, heavily timbered terrain, including areas around Nundle and the Upper Hunter, and involves clearing, excavation and new drainage works across numerous catchments. How will towers, access roads and transmission lines be constructed and maintained on steep slopes? Are the risks of erosion, landslips and difficult access adequately understood? What happens when heavy rainfall washes sediment into creeks, farm dams and rivers? Will access tracks permanently redirect runoff onto neighbouring land? Are standard erosion controls sufficient for this terrain?

Loss of forests and wildlife habitat

The project would clear and fragment native vegetation, including habitat for threatened wildlife. Concerns include koalas, gliders, hollow-dependent birds, bats and threatened ecological communities. Can important habitat and wildlife corridors be avoided rather than relying on biodiversity offsets?

Bushfire risk and aerial firefighting

The route crosses difficult-to-access, fire-prone country. Could transmission lines and towers restrict aerial firefighting, firebreak construction or access by emergency crews? How will damaged infrastructure be reached during major fires, storms or floods? Have safer routes been properly considered?

Farming and Property

Productive agricultural land

Transmission easements, towers and access tracks can interfere with grazing, cropping, machinery, stock movement, fencing and farm infrastructure. Does the EIS adequately assess the combined impact on individual farming businesses, rather than describing losses as negligible across the whole region?

Aerial agriculture and rural aviation

Could transmission lines restrict aerial fertiliser spreading, spraying, seeding, rural airstrips and helicopter operations? These are essential services in parts of our region. What alternatives and protections will be available to affected landholders?

Biosecurity risks

Vehicles, workers and machinery moving between properties can spread weeds, pests and livestock diseases. Particular concerns include historically anthrax-affected land in the Rouchie area. Are farm-specific biosecurity measures adequate, and who is accountable if they fail?

Heritage

Aboriginal and historical heritage

Have all culturally significant places, archaeological sites and historic features been sufficiently surveyed? The heritage assessment acknowledges unsurveyed areas requiring further investigation. Important places should be identified and protected before disturbance, not discovered during construction.

The Bigger Picture

Cumulative impacts: more than one project

The transmission network is intended to support further wind, solar and storage development. These separate projects may create overlapping demands on roads, water, accommodation, emergency services and farming communities. Has EnergyCo assessed the combined impact, not just its own construction work?

Too many answers left until after approval

Important details concerning water sources, access tracks, drainage, construction methods and property-specific arrangements remain subject to further design. If problems are discovered after approval, will communities still have a meaningful opportunity to seek changes? Fundamental impacts must be assessed before approval, not left for affected neighbours to resolve later.

Construction and Community

Water availability: where will it come from?

The transmission project is estimated to require 2,400 ML of construction water. EnergyCo identifies possible supplies but leaves its detailed sourcing strategy until later. Can local rivers, dams, bores and town supplies meet demand, especially during drought? If water must be trucked from elsewhere, where from, and at what cost to our roads and communities?

Roads, noise, dust and workforce camps

Construction will involve significant heavy-vehicle movements, blasting, crushing plants, helicopters, concrete batching and earthworks. EnergyCo anticipates a peak workforce of around 1,400 people and proposes five accommodation camps. Are narrow roads, bridges and intersections suitable? How will school buses, emergency vehicles, livestock trucks and local residents be affected? Who pays for road upgrades and repairs? Will neighbours experience prolonged dust, noise, vibration or loss of amenity, and are protections specific, measurable and enforceable? Can local health services, emergency services, water and wastewater systems cope with the combined demands of multiple construction projects?

Waste, gravel and rehabilitation

The EIS estimates substantial construction waste, vegetation clearing and wastewater. Where will materials come from, and where will waste go? Do local facilities have capacity? Will temporary construction sites and access tracks be properly restored? Who remains responsible if rehabilitation fails?

Agriculture and Property

Landholders, neighbours and rural character

Host landholders face permanent easement restrictions, while nearby neighbours may suffer visual, access or construction impacts without hosting infrastructure. Large towers, broad cleared easements and energy hubs will be visible from homes, roads and rural landscapes. Are compensation, consultation, property management, disputes and long-term maintenance responsibilities adequately addressed? Are all affected views assessed, and have relocation, better siting or other visual mitigation been considered?

Contact Voice for Walcha or Walcha High Country Guardians for any details. We will provide more information next week.

WHERE TO NEXT ...

Your Submission Matters!

Pick issues that matter to you.

What Concerns you?

Name a real local impact.

What was missed?

Give examples, photos or evidence.

What should change?

Ask for redesign or firm protections.

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For the Transmission EIS, not separate wind or solar projects. These are submission prompts, not established findings.



Walcha Council wants your views on REZ plans ahead of EIS deadline

Walcha Council is asking the community to share their views and knowledge on the impacts of the New England Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) through a short community survey, as it prepares its submission on the project's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

The NSW Government will decide whether to approve the REZ Network Infrastructure Project. The EIS is on public exhibition until Thursday 12 November.

Walcha Mayor Hyde Thomson said Council has called on them to extend the exhibition period by at least four weeks.

"Any extra time would be helpful to us right now, as we consider the hundreds of pages EnergyCo have put before us," Councillor Thomson said.

"The best thing they could do is extend the consultation period so we can focus on reviewing and responding to the extensive documentation." In the meantime, Council is working to the 12 November deadline.

Survey responses will help inform Council's submission and its ongoing advocacy for the community. The survey is anonymous, but residents can leave their contact details if they'd like to speak at an upcoming Council information session or want help with their own submission.

The information session will be held on Wednesday 4 November, 4-7pm at a Walcha venue to be confirmed with registered participants.

Council's survey is not a formal submission. Residents are encouraged to make their own submission on the NSW Planning Portal before the exhibition closes.

The survey closes on Monday 2 November and can be completed online via the following QR code:



Resignation of Councillor Adam Iuston

Walcha Council advises that Councillor Adam Iuston has resigned from Council, effective today, Friday 23 October 2026. General Manager Stephen Parry thanked him for his time on Council.

"On behalf of Council, I'd like to thank Adam for his service to the Walcha community," Mr Parry said.

"Serving as a councillor takes real commitment, and Adam has given his time and energy to representing local residents. We wish him all the best for the future."

As a result of the vacancy, the NSW Electoral Commission will hold a by-election within the next three months. Council has already contacted the Commission to begin this process.

The Commission will release a by-election timetable in due course, and Council will share key dates with the community as soon as they are confirmed.

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Walcha residents will have the opportunity to improve their mobility, strength and posture with a new four-week specialist movement series at Walcha Gym, led by Jemimah Hiscox of *Moved* Armidale.

The sessions are designed to address the movement habits people develop through everyday life, where repeated postures and movements can leave some muscles overworked, joints stiff and other muscles underused.

The program will focus on three key areas: alignment, mobility and strength. Participants will work on improving posture and technique for everyday activities such as standing, sitting, bending and lifting, restoring movement in restricted areas, and building balanced strength to support daily life and long-term bone health.

Offering a personalised alternative to traditional yoga and Pilates, the series is suitable for all ages and fitness levels, with no previous experience required.

"Her sessions helped me gain full mobility, overall strength and posture awareness," said Guada, a *Moved* client.

The four sessions will be held at Walcha Gym on Thursdays from 2pm to 3pm on November 5, 12, 19 and 26.

The cost is \$140 for the full series, equivalent to \$35 per session, with payment required upfront. Organisers require a minimum of eight participants for the series to proceed. Registrations close on October 31, and a full refund will be provided if the minimum number is not reached.

Those interested can register by visiting *Moved* Armidale online and selecting "Book a Session". Participants with school pick-up commitments are welcome to leave a few minutes early if needed.

thumbs



- 👉 To Matt and Jackson Wilson for helping us on the side of the road on Monday morning. We are so incredibly grateful to you both for your kindness and assistance. Thank you!
- 👉 To Kelly from the Chemist for always sorting my medication with a smile.
- 👉 To the two beautiful and caring people that came to my aid. "Charlie" says you are welcome anytime.
- 👉 To Sally Rutherford, we will miss you at the Physio. Happy Retirement!
- 👉 To Lee Harrison from LUX Electrical for doing a fantastic job.
- 👉 To Cameron from Walcha Coffee for really believing in people.
- 👉 To the Coles truck that is now coming on a weekend. Shop locally.
- 👉 To the person who has left an unregistered car near Moona Winterbourne fire shed. Dangerous spot.
- 👉 To the barman who was on his phone the whole time while serving customers, and swiping his finger across the top of a beer glass after pouring.

Contributions will be received in person, by phone or email and must be accompanied by your name and contact details. They will be printed at the discretion of the editor.

Greive Family Reunion

Descendants of William and Jane Grieve will gather in Walcha this Saturday, 31 October, to celebrate their family history and remember the pioneering couple who helped shape the district's early farming community.

William Grieve (1828–1913) and Jane Grieve, née Flett (1833–1912), immigrated from Orkney in 1857 before settling in the Walcha district. As early settlers, they played a part in the development of the area, with William initially working as a shepherd on a squatter's run before selecting land and establishing himself as a successful farmer.

Their story is one of courage, hard work and determination, reflecting the experiences of many families who travelled to Australia in search of a new life and helped build rural communities across the country.

Among the family stories passed down through the generations is a remarkable account of Jane's encounter with the notorious bushranger Captain Thunderbolt in 1862.

Ian Grieve, father of Kym Fletcher, has shared an account from an audio recording made in 1984 by his aunt, Lillian, a daughter of William and Jane. Aunt Lil was 94 years old when she recounted the story, which had been preserved through family memories.

According to her recollection, William and Jane were living at Bergen-op-Zoom at the time. One morning, William was away shepherding while Jane was milking a cow near the family's hut. Her young children were with her: Mary, aged about five, and her eldest son, William, aged about three.

A man on horseback emerged from the bush and approached Jane at the milking bails. He asked whether she would prepare a meal for him. Jane replied that she would do so once she had finished milking.

While he waited, the horseman kept watch on the track from which he had arrived. When Jane finished her task, he carried young William back to the hut and helped her carry the milk.

The family story identifies the horseman as the bushranger Thunderbolt. The encounter offers a fascinating glimpse into the lives of early settlers, when isolated homesteads, daily farm work and unexpected visitors were part of life on the frontier.

Stories such as this are an important part of family history, preserving not only names and dates but also the experiences and memories that bring previous generations to life. The survival of Aunt Lil's recording has allowed this account to be shared with descendants many decades later.

The reunion will provide an opportunity for family members to reconnect, exchange memories and celebrate their shared heritage. The program will begin at 9am with morning tea at the Walcha Bowling Club, followed by a visit to the "Brickwall" grave site at 10.30am. At 12.30pm, the family will visit Pioneer Cottage for lunch, before free time in the afternoon and a celebratory dinner at the Bowling Club at 6pm.

William and Jane are remembered at a memorial erected by their descendants in December 1994. The memorial honours them as pioneers of the Walcha district and records that they were buried within sight of their original homestead.

For the Grieve family, the reunion is more than an opportunity to come together. It is a chance to honor William and Jane's legacy, revisit the stories that have been handed down through the generations and ensure their contribution to Walcha's history is remembered by those who follow.

Their journey from Orkney to the Northern Tablelands more than 160 years ago remains a significant part of the family's story and a reminder of the generations whose efforts helped establish the community enjoyed today.



New England Renewable Energy Zone Have your say on the environmental impact statement

EnergyCo is planning the New England REZ network infrastructure project to connect renewable energy projects to the electricity grid and deliver reliable power to homes and businesses across NSW.

The environmental impact statement (EIS) is now on exhibition. It explains how the project could impact people and the environment during construction and once operational.

View the EIS and make a submission via the NSW Planning Portal: planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects and searching SSI-74175972.

Upcoming events

Join a drop-in information session to learn more about the EIS and speak with the project team.

- **Kentucky:** Wednesday 28 October, 3-6pm, Kentucky Memorial Hall
- **Gundy:** Monday 2 November, 3-6pm, Gundy Soldiers' Memorial Hall
- **Rouchel:** Wednesday 4 November, 3-6pm, Rouchel School of Arts Hall

- **Scone:** Thursday 5 November, 3-6pm, Scone Motor Inn Conference Centre
- **Muswellbrook:** Friday 6 November, 11am-2pm, Muswellbrook Library Seminar Room
- **Walcha:** Monday 9 November, 4-6pm, Walcha Central School Hall
- **Uralla:** Tuesday 10 November, 3-6pm, Uralla Courthouse
- **Armidale:** Wednesday 11 November, 3-6pm, Armidale Town Hall
- **Tamworth:** Thursday 12 November, 12-2pm, Tamworth Community Event Centre

Learn more

Visit energyco.nsw.gov.au/nerez to view the interactive EIS map, fact sheets, register for our webinars and more.

If you have questions, you can contact our team on 1800 061 114 (toll free) or by emailing nerez@energyco.nsw.gov.au.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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with AJ Cross



Congratulations to my Darling Wife Linda on receiving Life Membership of the United Hospital Auxiliaries of NSW at a Gala Evening in Wollongong last Wednesday evening. Her Excellency the Honorable Margaret Beazley, Governor of NSW presented the award to Linda who is the current President of the Walcha branch, which she has been a member of for the past 34 years - exactly half of her life as she celebrated her 68th birthday last Thursday. Well Done Dear.

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Last Tuesday night our Burmese cat 'Monte' was hiding in the house somewhere and was finally located after a brief search. He had climbed up into Linda's suitcase which she had half packed for the next day, making himself right at home with a look as much to say, "If you think I'm not coming, you had better think again". Well 'Monte' would have said that if cats could talk.

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'Jack of all trades' and Parramatta supporter Scotty Withers was experiencing difficulties with a night scope he had borrowed to use on his rifle during recent times up until it was suggested taking the lens protection caps off might help. Bingo - Immediate success but for all the details catch up with Scotty.

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Well done to Woolbrook Public School student Lexi McKern on her performances at the NSW PSSA Athletics Championships at Sydney Olympic Park last week. Lexi placed 9th in the Girls 12/13 years Shot Put when she put the shot 8.5 metres, and finished 33rd in the Discus with a distance of 20.07 metres. Way to go Lexi.

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Congratulations to local Junior Rugby League player and my across the road neighbour Lucas Eveleigh on being named North Tamworth Bears Under 11s Best and Fairest player when the club held their annual presentations last weekend. His sister Myla and another local Bonnie Forrester also played for the same Bears team. Good on ya Guys.

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Congratulations to Nowendoc Veteran cricketer and former Walcha Newsagent Bill Duncan on his selection as captain of the NSW Kookaburras to compete at the 2026 National Championships in the Gippsland region of Victoria 22nd to 26th November. Go Gettun Bill.

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Walcha Touch Football didn't get off to the best of starts when the opening round of the 2026/27 season was cancelled last Thursday due to the wet weather. Hopefully the 51st season of Walcha Touch will kick off tomorrow.

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To celebrate the mighty milestone of 92 years young Joy McLeod played her regular game of cards with friends at the Sports Club Tuesday last week before moving down to the Apsley Arms Hotel to sample a cool beverage once again with her fellow card players. The only downside to the day was when some bloke sung an out of tune Happy Birthday at the Apsley. Sorry about that Joy.

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On the subject of Birthdays many happy returns of the day to our oldest daughter Rachael when she reaches 40 years on the planet tomorrow Thursday 29th October. Hope you have a great day Rach.

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Last Sunday the weekly lunchtime raffles were run by the Bowling Club Directors G.J. Natty and G.J. Carter where the latter was in charge of the microphone work. When the opening number was called out by Gregory he announced 419322 would be the first winning ticket. No-one in the club was going to have that simply because there was only five numbers on the tickets. Nothing that a quick reset of numbers couldn't fix. While copping some flack from the patrons in attendance 'Cart' suggested 'Well at least it has brightened up an otherwise dull day.'

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Ladies Bowls

Thank you to all the bowlers and non-bowlers who supported our 90th birthday fundraising day last Saturday. A morning of bowls in the sunshine followed by a barbecue and Presidents' Challenge helped raise funds to continue upgrading club facilities. The result of the Presidents' Challenge went in favour of Lee McCoy (Womens' Club), winning 7 – 4 against Adam Hall (Bowling Club), over 6 ends, in front of a gallery of supporters. Rain washed out last week's games, so tomorrow Esther Hunt will play Lee McCoy, marker Lyn Burnell, in the Ivy Makeham Trophy. All other games will be social games. Don't forget to add our upcoming street stall to your calendar for November 13. Please add your name to the roster on the noticeboard if you can help.

Flippers News

The Walcha Flippers Swimming Club held their Annual General Meeting at the Bowling Club earlier this month where President Henry King, secretary Anne Mulligan, Treasurer Arianne Taylor, Vice Presidents Angus Warden and Yolanda Mooney were all re-elected unopposed.

Other appointments were Rachael Wellings who is in charge of Marshalling with assistance from her helpers. Race starter is Josh Wellings with a bit of help from his friends whereas A.J. Cross continues as Publicity Officer and also accepted the position of co-Patron with Bruce Hunt.

Registrations are open at \$20 per person for half a season, \$40 per person for the full season while the family fee has been capped at \$100.

The first half of the season goes from Tuesday 10th November to 15th December before recommencing on Tuesday 2nd February through to the Championships in March. All sessions commence at 3.30pm each Tuesday during the scheduled season.

Cricket

Both Walcha/Uralla Cricket teams didn't play last Saturday after their Armidale District games were abandoned against Easts in 1st and 3rd Grade. This Saturday 1st Grade is drawn to play Hillgrove here at Peter Fenwicke Oval while 3rd Grade take on TAS 2nd XI at Rologas in Armidale.

At the Nineteenth

The monthly Stroke Medal round was played last Sunday for a trophy donated by James Norton where Kyle Goodwin ran out a comfortable winner with a 68 nett seven shots ahead of runner up 'Molleydooker' Allan Laurie on 75 nett.

A Grade was won by the overall winner who also carded the best scratch score a three over par 73 and he also took out the putting competition after engaging his flat stick on just 19 occasions.

B Grade went to Jenny Lisle on 80 nett whereas Robert Smith claimed the C Grade mug with 83 nett and he also eagerly accepted the coveted 'Pink Shirt' for most putts after he registered 31 jabs.

Sharpest Shooters at the pins were David Sweeney (3) and Lee Fletcher (9) while no player reached the beach on 16 and 18.

Long drives sponsored by Tony 'Backhand Larry' Asmus were caressed by Will Archdale (A Grade) and John McCormack (C) whereas there was no B Grader accurate enough to find the fairway.

There was no play in the weekly 9 hole competition last Saturday due to the Walcha Ladies Open being contested which attracted a good field of 56 players.

This Sunday is the opening round of the Patrons trophy donated by Margaret Davidson to be played in conjunction with a daily prize supplied by Lee Fletcher.

Wednesday Golf

It was stableford last Wednesday playing for the Patron, Margaret Davidson's trophy. Preferred lies were taken off for the first time in some months, and made a difference to the scores.

Penny King was our winner with 36 points, and sweepstakes were won by Simone Sweeney, Cark Street and Sal McCormack all coming in with 34 points.

Nearest the pin on Hole 3 was Vicki Heffernan. The second shot on Hole 7 was the patron herself and Anne Martin claimed the second shot on Hole 18.

We snagged a beautiful day on Saturday to host our Ladies Open and fielded some 58 players. The day was kindly sponsored by PKF and Cafe Graze.

The nett winners were Guyra players Belinda Lenehan and Jenny Rogers with 44 points. Runners up were Sal McCormack and Robyn Salt with 43.

The gross winners were Carey Larkworthy and Andrea Miekke from Tamworth and the runners up were Simone Sweeney and Anne Martin.

The longest drive Div 1 was Andrea Miekke and Div 2 was Anthea Nivison.

NTP on 3 Div 1 was Julie Presnell and Div 2 was Robyn Salt.

NTP on 16 Div 1 was Amanda Carr and no-one reached the sand in Div2.

After being postponed twice, the final of the NEDGA medal round was played on Monday in somewhat inclement weather.

Originally Anne Martin was our A grade representative, Cark Street, B grade and Bec Hall C grade.

As handicaps had changed over the time since announced, we all ended up in B grade. Anne Martin was the winner of B grade and Cark and Bec were equal second. The A grade winner from Armidale was Anna Barnier and the C grade winner was Pru Mason also from Armidale.

They will go on to Stonecutters Ridge, Colebee to play the State final later in the year.

This Wednesday is our charity day and lunch. We play in teams of three and Vet Supplies are the trophy providers. All money raised for the charity goes to MND Australia.



Gross Winners - Carey Larkworthy and Andrea Miekke with Runners Up, Simone Sweeney and Anne Martin



Nett Winners - (centre) Belinda Lenehan and Jenny Rogers. Sal McCormack, left and Robyn Salt, right

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Public Notices

Flippers Registrations are now open! Season will commence: Tuesday, 10th of November 2026. Time: 3:30pm-5pm. For further information, please visit Facebook or email walchaflipperswimmingclub@gmail.com.

Walcha General Practice Clinic will be closed on Friday, 30/10/2026, from 12:00pm due to telephone and computer upgrades. Normal hours commence Monday, 2/11/2026. **PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE & FAX NUMBERS.** Phone 6731 0678. Fax 6731 0679.

Walcha Council

Disability Inclusion Action Plan survey



Help us make Walcha a more inclusive and accessible place. Council is updating its Disability Inclusion Action Plan and wants to hear how well its facilities and services work for people with disability, and where things could be better.

The survey takes under 10 minutes, is anonymous and is open to everyone.

Scan the QR code to complete. Closes Wednesday 11 November 2026.

Printed copies available at the Council office and Walcha Library. For help, call (02) 6774 2500.



Stephen Parry, General Manager
Walcha Council, PO Box 2, Walcha NSW

Public Notices (cont)

Walcha Council

Change to Waste Transfer Facility Opening Hours



Residents are advised that the Waste Transfer Facility will be closed **Tuesday 3 November 2026** due to staff availability. The facility will re-open as normal Wednesday 4 November.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding.

Walcha Council

Walcha Preschool - 2027 enrolments now open!



Enrolments are now open for children aged between 3 and 5 to attend Walcha Preschool in 2027.

Children who are turning 3 before 31 July 2027 are eligible to enrol.

If your child turns 3 after 31 July 2027 then they may also attend if vacancies exist at the time, however these places cannot be reserved for them.

Enrolments can be completed online: <https://www.walcha.nsw.gov.au/community/children-young-people/walcha-preschool.aspx>

An orientation morning will be held Saturday 30th January 2027 where Preschool staff will be available to answer questions and help families prepare for a smooth start.

For more information, please call Alice or Mel on 02 6777 2117.

Stephen Parry, General Manager
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Meeting Notice

The Walcha Jockey Club AGM will be held on Monday 2 November 2026 at 7pm at the Walcha Council Chambers.

Walcha RSL meeting at the Bowling Club 29 October at 5.30pm.

Walcha Garden Club meeting Friday, 6th November, 2026, at Gary & Rhonda Olrich's garden, "Boxley" 1386 Scrubby Gully Rd, Walcha. Cars will depart McHattan Park at 9.30am. BYO chair, cup & lunch. Enquiries- S. Law 0467450243, D.Lisle 0429799083. New members most welcome.

Walcha Junior Rugby Union Club AGM Wednesday 4th November, 4:45pm at The Commercial.

Raffle Results

WRHS raffle winner - 1st and 2nd - Janelle Archdale (drawn by J. Labone) Thank you to the community for your continued support.

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Beef mince simmered in rich Napoli sauce.	
Garlic Chilli Rosé Prawn Pasta	\$29
Prawns tossed in garlic, chilli and rosé sauce.	
Seafood Marinara Pasta	\$32
A delicious mix of seafood in marinara sauce.	

ENTRÉES & SMALL PLATES

Golden Garlic Bread	\$8.50
Toasted garlic bread with a fragrant garlic spread.	
Cheesy Garlic Bread	\$10.50
Golden bread topped with melted cheese.	
Loaded Cheese & Bacon Garlic Bread	\$12.50
Melted cheese and crispy bacon on garlic bread.	
Sweet Chilli & Bacon Garlic Bread	\$13.50
Garlic bread finished with bacon and sweet chilli.	
Whiskey Maple Glazed Wings	\$14.50
Chicken wings coated in a sweet whiskey maple glaze.	
Classic Buffalo Wings	\$14.50
Chicken wings tossed in bold buffalo sauce.	
Garlic, Chilli & Parmesan Wings	\$15.50
Wings finished with garlic, chilli and Parmesan.	
Golden Crispy Calamari	\$17
Tender calamari with fresh salad and tartare sauce.	
Golden Prawn Cutlets	\$19
Crispy prawn cutlets with tartare sauce.	
Crispy Tempura Prawns	\$20
Light, crisp prawns served with sriracha aioli.	

COUNTRY PUB CLASSICS

Traditional Bangers & Mash (GF)	\$24.50
Succulent sausages with creamy mash and vegetables.	
Classic Golden Chicken Schnitzel	\$26.50
Crumbed chicken served with chips and salad.	
Add 5 garlic prawns +\$10.	
Chicken Parmigiana	\$30.50
Golden schnitzel topped with ham, Napoli sauce, mozzarella and Parmesan.	
Chicken ABC	\$32.50
Schnitzel topped with avocado, bacon, Napoli sauce and cheese.	
New England Crumbed Lamb Cutlets	
Crumbed lamb with your choice of mash and vegetables or chips and salad.	
2 pieces \$30 3 pieces \$38	
Slow-Braised Walcha Lamb Shank (GF)	\$35
Tender lamb shank served with creamy mash and vegetables.	

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AUTHENTIC NEPALESE SPECIALTIES

Traditional Himalayan Momos

Handcrafted Nepalese dumplings with authentic dipping sauce. **5 pieces \$13.50 | 8 pieces \$19**

Nepalese Curry Puffs

\$16

Classic Nepalese curry filling with romesco sauce.

Himalayan Chicken Curry

\$23

Slow-cooked chicken in aromatic Himalayan spices, served with rice.

Himalayan Spiced Chicken Kebab

\$23

Spiced chicken skewers with chips, salad and hummus.

HANDCRAFTED PIZZAS

Classic Margherita

\$20

Tomato, basil and mozzarella.

Hawaiian Favourite

\$22

Ham and pineapple.

Pepperoni Classic

\$22

Pepperoni and mozzarella.

Garden Veggie Pizza (V)

\$22

Napoli sauce, capsicum, onion, mushrooms, cherry tomatoes and basil.

Loaded Meat Lovers

\$25

Beef Bolognese, ham and pepperoni.

The Supreme

\$25

Ham, bacon, beef Bolognese, capsicum, tomato, onion and olives.

Seafood Delight

\$25

Prawns, capsicum and mozzarella.

BURGERS & SANDWICHES

Add bacon +\$4 | Add onion rings +\$3

American Angus Cheeseburger

\$21

Angus beef, tomato, lettuce, onion, cheese and burger sauce.

Classic Chicken Schnitzel Burger

\$21

Chicken schnitzel, lettuce, tomato, cheese and sriracha aioli.

Zinger Crispy Chicken Burger

\$23

Crispy chicken, lettuce, cheese, tomato and aioli.

Plant-Based Vegan Burger (VG)

\$23

Vegan patty served with vegan mayonnaise.

Angus Steak Sandwich

\$23

Angus fillet, cheese, pickle, tomato and caramelised onion.

Mighty Walcha Beef Burger

\$25

Beef patty, bacon, tomato, onion and burger sauce.

Double Angus Cheeseburger

\$28

Double Angus patties with double cheese.

SOMETHING SWEET

Cinnamon-Sugar Churros

\$12

Cinnamon-dusted churros with chocolate sauce.

Warm Chocolate Mud Cake

\$12

Rich, indulgent chocolate cake served warm.

Classic Sticky Date Pudding

\$12

Warm pudding with butterscotch sauce.

Oreo Cookie Sundae

\$12

Vanilla ice cream, Oreo pieces and chocolate sauce.

KIDS' FAVOURITES

Kids' Burger & Chips

\$12

Kids' Fish & Chips

\$12

Kids' Chicken Nuggets & Chips

\$12

Kids' Spaghetti Bolognese

\$12

FRESH SALADS, SIDES & SAUCES

Golden Onion Rings

\$8

Crispy, golden onion rings.

Bowl of Hot Chips

\$10

Hot and crispy chips.

Fresh Fattoush Salad

\$18

Fresh Middle Eastern garden salad.

Classic Caesar Salad

\$20

Lettuce, bacon, Parmesan and dressing.

House Sauces

Gravy \$1 | Mushroom \$2 | Pepper \$2 | Diane \$2

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