Toora Bungles



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Congratulations to Tim and Marie Gale — A Very Special Wedding



Tim and Marie Gales Wedding was held at St Peter's Anglican Church, Leeton on Saturday May 7th 2022.

They shared a joyous wedding with a large crowd of family and friends in attendance. The ceremony was followed by a lovely afternoon tea on the church lawns. A smaller reception was held in the church hall and enjoyed by family and close friends.

The bridal party were: Best Man: Ben Gale; Groomsman: Peter Andrews. Mate of Honour: Nick Creek; Brides Mate: Nicole Hicks

Marie's mother, Lyn Jacobsen, made and iced the double bell wedding cake.
Marie's Wedding dress was made by seamstress and close friend Bronwenn Douglass of Coolah, which featured some special personal designs

The bride and wedding party arrived at the church in classic cars: with Marie and her Dad, Jim, arriving in the same car that Marie's mother Lyn and her dad, Marie's grandfather, Henry Beer, arrived in for their

wedding 55 years and 3 weeks ago: owned and driven by family friend Gary Frohling. The other classic cars were also driven by their owners, the bride's brother in law Chris Brunner and nephews Daniel Hasler and Nathan Brien and they chauffeured Marie's bridal party of Nic and Nick, Marie's mother Lyn, and Tim's Godparents/uncle and aunty, Paddy Gale and Barbara Morris. Marie could go back 3

generations on both the Beer and Jacobsen side of her family with special 'features' from

her wedding dress and day.

On the Beer side, Marie had her great grandmother, Lynda Hall's veil that was made into a shawl; the sleeves on her dress were from her Nana, Gwenda Beer's dress and she wore her Mums veil.

On the Jacobsen side, Marie had her great grandmother, Gudrun Jacobsen's (Norway) fine needlework wrapped around the bouquets; Tim and Marie were married on her grandparents, Eula and Arne Jacobsen, 82nd wedding anniversary, and as she

walked out of church Marie was given a horse shoe from her Aunty

Alice that was the same one that Marie's

mother had given her at her wedding in September 1973. Super special!

Marie also wore Tim's great Aunt, Edith Sullivan's pearl necklace on the day: that matched her dress perfectly.

After the wedding the couple enjoyed a short honeymoon in Lakes Entrance before returning to Tooraweenah.



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Council invites the community to join the conversation on the facilities and services it provides, and assist in planning our future over the next ten years of the 2032 Community Strategic Plan. Have Your Say! Our Community Strategic Plan is Council's highest level plan and identifies the communities main priorities and vision for the future. The Plan represents an opportunity to create and foster community based inter-generational goals and aspirations—to drive a sustainable community that reconciles itself with current and future challenges. Our Vision: A Vibrant region to Live > Enjoy > Grow, that is inclusive, resilient and progressive

Feedback from the community was invited on the key issues, challenges, opportunities and priorities. This feedback has helped to shape the draft Community Strategic Plan, which was reviewed and endorsed at the May Council Meeting.

To help allocate resources and to deliver the projects as part of this plan, Council have also endorsed a Draft Long Term Financial Plan, Draft Community Engagement Strategy and Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan.

These drafts are now available for public exhibition and feedback once again invited

from the community.

The draft plans and strategies are now on public exhibition and Council is seeking community feedback for a period of 28 days. Feedback is invited until 5.00pm on Thursday, 23 June 2022.

There are many positive projects planned for the Gilgandra Region including the GIL Library Hub, completion of the Gilgandra Cultural Precinct, implementation of the Housing Strategy, development of the Aero Park residential subdivision, Sewerage Treatment Plant upgrade, Industrial subdivision development, and seeking funding assistance for the Hunter Park Precinct Multi-Sports Facility, so be sure to join the conversation and have your say!

We are eager to hear from you in relation to current community aspirations and issues, suggestions for improvements to service delivery and associated community assets, and any general matters you may wish to raise to ensure that our plans accurately reflect our community's priorities!

To read the draft plans or to leave your feedback please visit the <u>GSC Website</u>. You can also provide feedback in-person at any of the Council buildings, in writing to the General Manager, PO Box 23, Gilgandra NSW 2827or via email <u>council@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au</u>



Council previously held four Community
Strategic Planning sessions, in
Tooraweenah, Armatree, Cobboco and
Gilgandra, to help shape the draft
Community Strategic Plan 2032.
Council and Councillors thank community
members for attending these sessions and
sharing their views on key issues,
challenges and priorities.
Questions and answers from these
Community Strategic Planning sessions
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The rainfall for the month of May to date (28/5/22) was 57.6mm over 5 days of precipitation. YTD total is 590.7mm over 43 days.

Tooraweenah Lions Club

Toora Lions will be having a meeting on Wednesday the 1st of June at the Mountain View Hotel, 7.00 for 7.30pm. Please book in with the staff on 68481017 prior to the meeting. Current projects for this year are,

* Cleaning out the old fire shed

- for storage of club items.
- Catering at the Tom Quilty endurance ride in July 2022.
- * Wood chopping
- Annual Changeover and awards night 18th June

Looking forward to a great year ahead.

Community BBQs

The Tooraweenah PA & H Associations Rodeo committee did the May BBQ's, thank you to those people who supported the show during May. Proceeds from the month will be going towards the costs associated with this years Rodeo at the annual show.

The School will be doing the BBQ's in June, please come and support the eager team of workers.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

This years Biggest morning tea held at Tooraweenah Trading Co was a great success. Thank you to everyone who were able to assist and support the day. A total of \$1032.15 was raised.

Tooraweenah Lions Club





Don't forget to book for the **Lions Club** "The Bungled Awards! They are on Saturday 18th June **Tooraweenah Memorial Hall** 7pm for 7.30. You can purchase your tickets (see advertisement on this page) or contact Kathryn or

Lester



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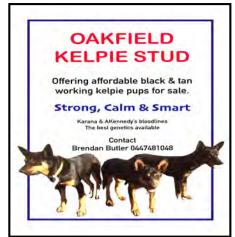
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<u>June 2022</u>

Saturday, 4,11,16,18,25, P&C School - Community BBQ'S

Saturday, 4,11, 18T 19B, 25 Golf Rounds

Saturday 18th
Tooraweenah Lions Club
The Bungle'd Awards!





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Sophia Qualified -Tooraweenah Tom Quilty



On the weekend of 23 & 24 April 2022 Tooraweenah Junior Endurance Rider Sophia Moppett travelled to Bumbaldry with other members of the club to take on a Tom Quilty Qualifier. It was a hard track but superb weather conditions and Sophia successfully completed the 160km ride on horse "Box Hill Hussy". Thanks to fellow Junior Char-

lie Bonham who showed great teamwork and support to ride the event. Sophia will now join juniors Lara Duff, Charlie Bonham and Isabella Worner to tackle the Tom Quilty 2022 to be held in Tooraweenah on the weekend of 9/10 July 2022.

Congratulations to all the Juniors.

From the Tooraweenah Show Ring

Tooraweenah Show planning is going gang busters with some new and exciting changes added to our tried and true events. A bigger and better markets, plenty of novelty events, new things for kids (shhh., don't tell them) and stuff to keep the "big kids" happy too. Well underway is a new addition to the

showgrounds - a building housing an

Office and First Aid Room, A modern

office is long overdue and will be invaluable and easily accessed. The first aid room will give reassurance for patrons been a member and volunteer for many of all events held at the Show Grounds and placement of the building will give first responders easy and fast emergency access.

The Show Society extends their condolences to Marion, David and Tess Schultz & Bob and Patty Cruickshank on the passing of their mother and grandmother Betty Cruickshank who has years. She will be sadly missed. Date to be Announced - Our AGM is coming up and public notices and emails will be hitting your inbox soon. We look forward to catching up with you all at the Showground with the AGM followed by morning tea. Sue Armstrong Publicity

Tooraweenah CWA - Cath Waller Reports



A big Hi to all, Winter is here!! Special welcome to our new member Alicia Harrison. We

know you will enjoy contributing to CWA and sharing time with our members. Owing to some of our members being ill, our Branch wasn't able to hold our May meeting. I am able to report all are well

Tanya Hutchison and Jane Gesell are both Cath Waller, Publicity. recovering well from knee surgery. During our June meeting we will be finalising the Tom Quilty Ride catering for July 5th to 10th. If you are able to attend on any of those dates please let

Beverley know if you can help in any capacity. It would be greatly appreciated. Our June 2022 meeting is on Wednesday June 8th 9.30am for 10.00am start. Sip 'N' Sew each Wednesday, all are invited to come along.

Our next Market Day in Gilgandra is on the third Saturday, June 18th 9am to 1pm. They have been going quite well. Till next time,

CWA President Beverley Pike Reports.

The Centenary Conference at Royal Randwick in May 2022 has inspired me to encourage more Tooraweenah members to attend Group events and the State

Conference in Bathurst in 2023.

We are each important in an awesome organisation with much to offer locally and world-wide.

From helping in our own community, to State and Federal advocacy, we have a strong impact.

And, through Associated Country Women of the World, our scope to help women in need is international.

The Conference theme "Embracing and Celebrating Diversity" is what we always aim to do here in Tooraweenah.

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Beverley Pike, Branch President.

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Tooraweenah Arthur Butler Memorial Airport was humming with excitement and anticipation on Sunday May 22nd 2022 as Arthur Butler enthusiast joined locals for the Arthur Butler Aviation Day Brunch.

Whilst the size of planes landing were light aircraft when compared to the De Haveland Dragon, the interest shown by locals and visitors was intense! Dom Spora, Mayor Cr Doug Batten and Mark Pitt took centre stage on the Butler boarding ramp. All enthusiastically supporting the project, which will put Tooraweenah fairly and squarely back on the aviation map.

And, even more importantly, Australia's forgotten aviator Arthur Butler will no longer be forgotten. His legacy will be forever preserved for future generations.

Mark acknowledged the efforts of the local committee volunteers and the Tooraweenah Lions Club in hosting the Brunch.

Mark concluded by saying, "We would love everyone to be a part of the vision. We are going to let everyone in Australia know, this is going to be the Number One grass air strip. Something we can all be proud of."



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Tooraweenah Preschool Developing 'Wings of Independence' With Miss Marie



Our Preschool friends were very busy recently creating their special pot for Mother's Day gifts and were excited to have a lovely plant to put in it. (Special thanks to Seanne Jenkin for her "green thumb" assistance.) The children showed their artistic and creative flair using the special paints and small paint brushes when working on this project. We hope all of the significant ladies in our lives had a lovely day on Mother's Day and enjoyed being spoilt.

With the weather being so prominent lately, with sunny, wet and windy days (and even weeks!), there has been a great interest shown in this from the children. During the recent wet week and being inside because of the rain, the children discussed this in detail before turning their interest and curiosity into some pictures that they drew. Some very detailed pictures of storms and rain were drawn by our budding artists, with their hard work all combined to create a new preschool book, titled "A Rainy Day". This was so much fun that the following week when it was super windy at preschool, the children again sat down with their clip boards and drawing materials after a discussion about the wind, how it made them feel, what it did and so on, and soon there was another new book created, titled 'A Windy Day', with some drawings featuring things such as flying kites, birds being blown all over the sky and even trees and flowers blowing sideways from the wind! I wonder what aspect of the weather we will explore next?

Since Miss Marie has come back from her time away, we have again commenced our Bush Preschool programme. We are enjoying this experience on both Wednesdays and Fridays, whatever the weather, with some help from a parent helper on a Friday.

The children have so far enjoyed exploring the paddock next door. We were being detectives and soon discovered lots of foot- prints in the boggy ground. This led to quite a lengthy

discussion around animal prints, and the difference between cow and horse hoof prints – thanks to Miss Sarah's expert knowledge on this subject! We wandered down further towards the creek and came across some water in the gully with some reeds growing and also some frogs eggs floating on top! We then

navigated our way through the long grasses in the paddock, balancing on some logs we found along the way which was fun, before practicing our climbing skills and navigating our way up the big 'mountains' next to the creek.



The children worked out what the best way was to get up and down these 'mountains' - they were rather steep and in places a little slippery. Children took calculated risks when climbing and finding their way to the top, checking for any prickles, and once they were up the top they could see for miles and miles! Of course, it was fun to rush across the varying tracks they made along the top of these mountains, getting more and more



confident with each 'crossing'. Some friends worked out that it was much easier to climb in a 'zig zag' pattern. At the end of the long row of mountains the children discovered a windmill alongside a small tree that was an open invitation for us to climb, so we did. We've also had a 'discovery walk' down to the creek, looking at it from on the bridge and also along the creek bank, carefully surveying the area and discussing what had changed since we were last there. We think we found some wombat holes in the creek bank on the other side, and we heard the water running and also a chorus of frogs singing

<u>Pictured below</u> are School & Preschool students enjoying National Simultaneous Story Time.



Tooraweenah Public School With Principal Karen Smith

Young Leaders of the West Camp



Our School Captain Indiana Brown (Pictured centre with, Vice Captain Lexi Trickey and Prefect Lara Duff) all attended the Young Leaders of the West camp recently.

Our three Year 6 school leaders had quite an adventure at the Warrumbungles over the three days. Indiana, Lexi and Lara were outstanding ambassadors for our school, fully engaging in all activities and challenges, and collaborating with other students. It is particularly pleasing to hear a staff member speak of how our School Captain, Indiana inspired the best in others during the Split Rock hike.

Rugby Australia stars Sharon O'Kane and Patrick McCutcheon were guest speakers. Engaging students in many leadership and resilience sessions including 'My Hero and What Makes a Good Leader', Split Rock hike, We've Got Your Back, Visioning Exercise', reflection and debrief, and discussion on a 'Waste or Biodiversity' school project. We are very thankful to the staff of the Warrumbungle NP Environmental Education Centre, the staff from other schools and our teachers for assisting. Our school leaders took onboard this opportunity with enthusiasm and appreciation.

Tooraweenah Public School OPEN DAY



It was wonderful to welcome parents and friends back into classrooms during our school Open Day. Our open classrooms allowed parents, grandparents, Preschool parents and

children to see how explicit teaching is helping students to develop and retain skills in literacy and numeracy. Mrs Smith showed visitors the K/1 students doing their Reading Warm-up and Mrs Jenkin and the 3-6 class showed a Maths Warm-up.

TPS Cross Country

The TPS Cross Country continued the fun on Open Day, and although it was too wet to run at the golf course, students showed their endurance by running along the GK Rohr Viewing Platform track. Hamish Jenkin, as

part of his learning from home, completed a 1km run and submitted time. We even had some pre schoolers keen to participate! Well done to all runners on the day and to the TPS Cross Country Champions. Thank you to parents and friends for coming along to cheer on the students.

Juvenile Girls Champion Juvenile Boy Champion Junior Boy Champion Senior Girl Champion Eloise Jenkin Hamish Jenkin Sam Trickey Lara Duff

STEPs to Success

(Students, Through Evidence-based Practices, to Success)

Our open day gave parents the opportunity to see explicit instruction in practice in our classrooms. Students proudly showed their work and skills.

We all know that parents are our student's first teachers and so much is learned through the years before students get to school. We value the partnerships between home and school and are striving to work together to enhance learning in our school.

Mr Fleming, mentor in explicit instruction visited Gilgandra during May. Mrs Jenkin spent half the day observing lessons in the classrooms and had the opportunity to discuss Tooraweenah's progress and ask Mr Fleming questions.

Rural Access Gap (RAG) Internet at The Edge



The Department of Education have been prioritising the technology gap between rural/regional/remote and urban schools. Part of this project is to increase internet speed with our school upgraded to internet 'at the edge' giving us a faster upload and download speed.

Technology upgrades, pictured above in the Library with Eloise, Maddison and Bonnie to learning spaces SMART MX interactive panels. Our school qualified for an additional three panels, two to replace the outdated panels in the art room and assembly room and another for our library. The panels are mounted on height adjustable trolleys with a mini PC wirelessly connecting to the internet and can be taken into other spaces in the school and grounds for flexible learning.

Piano Lessons with Miss Marie

Piano tutoring commenced this week with

Miss Marie introducing Bonnie from Year 1 and Indiana from Year 6 to the instrument. Lessons focused on the basic fundamentals of playing the piano including, correct sitting posture, placement of the fingers and fluid movement along the keys. Both students enjoyed their lessons and are looking forward to more next week. These lessons have been funded by the Minister's Arts Recovery Grant (MARG) provided to Tooraweenah Public School.

National Simultaneous Storytime 2022



Students from Tooraweenah Preschool joined us to celebrate National Simultaneous Storytime. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by Australians is read simultaneously in Libraries, homes and children's facilities all over the country and the world! This year the book chosen was *Family Tree* written by Josh Pyke and illustrated by Ronojoy and Ghosh.

Coach 2 Cope

Mrs Smith and Mrs Altmann engaged in the professional learning 'Coach 2 Cope' online through a Zoom session. The course is designed for educators & other professionals to learn the latest practical strategies & skills to better support young people who experience acute mental health issues, e motional dysfunction & challenging behaviours.

HOCKEY for SPORT

Mrs Barry took all the students through some skills designed for the very active sport of hockey. Despite the bleak day they found a great little grassed area away from the cold wind and really enjoyed trying out our new hockey equipment.

They were very lucky to be assisted by our very multi-talented canteen worker for the day – Ms Sonia Bonham who not only prepared our lunches but also enjoyed passing on her hockey skills from bygone days. Everyone was a little red in the face after the activity and it was lovely to hear their laughter out in the fresh air.

<u>Sporting Schools</u> -Rugby Students K-6 were put through their paces this morning with the first session from Mark Pitts in Rugby.

Tooraweenah — Golf Club Rounds - Koop's Game Day!



Golf Club Round Up - May 2022

The Mother's Day competition was called off this year as there are very, very few Mum's who actually play golf now and those that we do have, were working. The match committee will review the decision and decide whether to go ahead next year.

14/05 Koop's Game Day

We heard that local Kooper Fox has contracted Lyme Disease, a disease rare in Australia, and requires intensive treatment in Sydney as well as having a cerebral herniation. His young body has taken quite a battering over the last couple of years, requiring many medical appointments. The golf club decided to 'donate' one of it's competition days to raise funds for Kooper and his family.

After a fair amount of 'will we, won't we' due to the weather and, after devising a full repertoire of indoor games for a wet day, the powers to be announced on Friday that the course was dry enough for the golf game to go ahead on Saturday 15th May.

A fantastic turn out of 35 players and 7 non-players made the club buzz with laughter and chat.

14 players from Australian Airforce
Cadets Squadron 313 (Dubbo) came to
support their fellow Cadet and, although
they didn't finish the day, it did give
them the opportunity to catch up with
Koop who had been released from
hospital on Friday after his last round of
treatment.

10 players from other clubs (Baradine and Gulargambone) also joined our local members for a great day on the course. Locals Scott & Janelle Quilter generously

donated some of their artwork for the raffle prizes, both of which went to very happy winners.

The competition prizes went to Simon Timmins & Zoe Kuarse and Trent McGlashan & Paul Leonard from Baradine Golf Club.

The final amount raised on the day was \$1,597. Which includes a \$500 donation from Gilgandra RSL Sub Branch, \$116 from raffle tickets and a brave \$91 from Luke Milsom who made a rash promise that should Dan & Matt, who were having their heads shaved, raise \$1,000 he would have his back waxed!

Dan & Matt have pledges of \$1,010 which is still being collected.

If you would like to make a donation to help support Koop and his family in paying for ongoing medical costs you can do so by depositing into the Golf Club bank account – BSB 633 000 Acc 153 926 290 using 'Koop/your name' as the reference (no fees) or through the My Cause link 'WWW.MYCAUSE.COM.AU/P/281257/ HELP-KOOPER-FOX'

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25/05 Ryan & Rankmore Sponsor Day

The weather was bright and breezy for Ryan & Rankmore Sponsor's 3 person ambrose day on Saturday 21st May. 18 players hit off, wrapped up, to combat the lazy breeze.

At the halfway point players tucked into a lunch of delicious filled baguettes and sandwiches supplied by Roger Estens of Ryan & Rankmore. The fire pit was lit as players returned to the 19th hole to discuss their games, lost balls and out of bounds shots.

Winners were Trent Allen, Brett French & Brooke French. Brian Marchant, Scott Smith & Wes Marchant from Gilgandra. Individual prizes went to Brooke French, Belinda Estens, Wes Marchant and Josh Masling.

By the time this newsletter is published there will have been 2 more competitions. On Friday 27th the Tooraweenah Rodeo are hosting night golf followed on Saturday by the 1st of three rounds of the Garling Shield, an 18 hole stroke round will be on Saturday.

The June program is – 4th June; 2nd round of the Garling Shield. 11th June; no competition here on the long weekend, instead players are going to support Baradine Golf Club on their big charity day. On the 18th & 19th are the

Tooraweenah-Baradine Challenge, the 18th will be in Tooraweenah and the 19th at Baradine. If anyone is interested in going to Baradine please contact a club member, car pooling can be organized. 25th June; The 3rd and final round of the Garling Shield comp.

The club is holding a special general meeting on 31st May to decide whether the club will become affiliated with Golf NSW. Whilst all interested parties are invited to the meeting only Financial Members will be entitled to vote. Any Financial Members who are unable to attend can vote by proxy. Please send your vote to tooragolfclub@gmail.com, attention Robin. Proxy votes must be received by 5pm on 31st May.

The next general meeting will be held on 7th June at the Mountain View Hotel starting at 6.30pm.

Due to the Tom Quilty Endurance Ride there will be no golf on the 2nd or 9th of July.

Photo: All in a good cause. Dan left Matt







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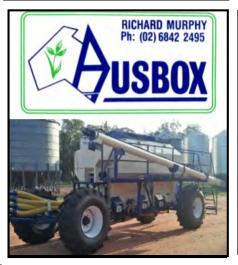
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