

## Principal's Report

At the end of Term 1, I would like to thank all members of our school community for their support, diligence and resilience responding to, for the third year, some very challenging times. What with the continuance of the impact of COVID 19, floods and staffing we have all kept on going to keep the school operating as close to normal as possible.

Thanks go to parents, students and staff for adhering to the RAT testing process to ensure that we are as safe as possible. Many families have had to isolate, following the ever-changing Public Health Orders, which has disrupted their access to school and work.

We have been fortunate to have had a number of casual teachers to assist our school to cover staff shortages and we appreciate their willingness to adapt to daily changes to their teaching loads. This has ensured that all classes have been covered in classrooms. Thanks also go to all permanent staff members for covering their colleagues who have had to isolate.

We have also been able to accommodate some sporting events and extra-curricular activities for our students, in an attempt to reward them for their adaptation to the circumstances we face. Thank you to staff and parents for supporting these activities.

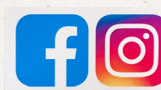
As we go to our break, I would like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday and look forward to Term 2. We resume for all students on Wednesday 27th April on a Week B timetable.

Allison Alliston

Executive Principal  
April 2022

## Upcoming Events for Term 2 2022

Week 1B	ANZAC Day	Monday 25th April
Week 1B	Staff Development Day	Tuesday 26th April
Week 1B	Students Return	Wednesday 27th April
Week 2A	Athletics Carnival	Wednesday 4th May
Week 3B	NAPLAN	Tuesday 10th - Friday 20th May
Week 5B	Zone Athletics	Friday 27th May
Week 8A	Public Holiday	Monday 13th June
Week 8A	Regional Cross Country	Friday 17th June
Week 9B	Immunisation	Thursday 23rd June
Week 10A	Spirit Day	Thursday 30th June
Week 10A	Last day Term 2	Friday 1st July





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they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

**1** day per fortnight

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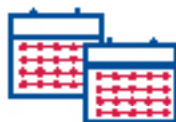
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Over **1** year missed

**1** day per week

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**8** weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed

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## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club has continued to grow, this term reaching the highest number of over 100 students per morning. Sophie (SLSO), Simon (SSO) and Nicole (SSO) offer ham and cheese toasties, juice, and fruit to start their day in a positive way. Sophie, Simon and Nicole run breakfast club on Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays from 8:00am with a warm smile and youthful beats for all students to enjoy.

*Check out what the SSO's are planning for term 2*

Do it For Dolly Day - Bullying awareness day

Breakfast Club - Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays

Chill Space - Tuesday lunch

Rainbow support group - TBA

HSC Support group through EACH

Catholic Care presentation to our seniors (relationships)

## Merits for Management of Positive Behaviour

Well done to all students who received Merits for Term 1. Below shows the number of merits handed out for each year.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
200	235	122	212	186	152

## Year 11 & 12 and the Senior Prep Room

The last couple of weeks of the term are always the busiest for our senior students; the majority of them will have at least 1 assessment task due, in some cases they can have many tasks to submit before the end of term.

Some students also have assessments due in the first couple of weeks next term and will need to use their break to complete these.

### Ways to get all the work done and handed in on time:

1. The **prep room is always open and available** to help them with any subject.
2. **Get HELP** from their class teacher or the Prep staff if they do not know how to do the task or to get feedback.
3. Use the wall planner/calendar handed out in prep, so they can see what tasks are due at a glance, to **plan and manage their time** better.
4. **Start early**; do not leave it until the last minute!
5. **Use prep classes** and 'free periods' to do tasks.





## Senior

On Thursday 10th March, students from our senior years participated in the annual Regional University Roadshow. This was held in our hall.

This event is always helpful to students in providing exceptional general information about heading off to university after school.

The bright, breezy interactive approach covers,

- How to apply and access university courses, including the much asked about “early entry”
- Costs of attending university, including how to source scholarships
- Different types of courses that can be studied
- What the average week looks like for a university student.

For Year 11 students this event is an eye-opener to key concepts during their senior studies.

For Year 12 students the entry process begins at the beginning of term 2, so the information gained will be valuable.

The event is co-hosted by a representative from each of the following universities,

- University of Newcastle
- University of New England
- Southern Cross University
- Charles Sturt University
- Taree University Campus



## Backflips Against Bullying

Year 11 Life Ready

The Backflips Against Bullying show entertained our Year 11 students using acrobatic skills to spotlight important issues on peer harassment, and its consequences in the real world. Topics such as cyber-bullying, resilience & power dynamics, harassment vs assault and real-world consequences were covered in this engaging performance.

Despite the heavy themes, the show was presented as a fun and interactive experience with scenes that depicted the different examples of peer harassment and ways to deal with them without inciting conflict.

This presentation is part of the mandatory Life Ready program that is delivered during Prep in year 11 and 12.





## Library Report

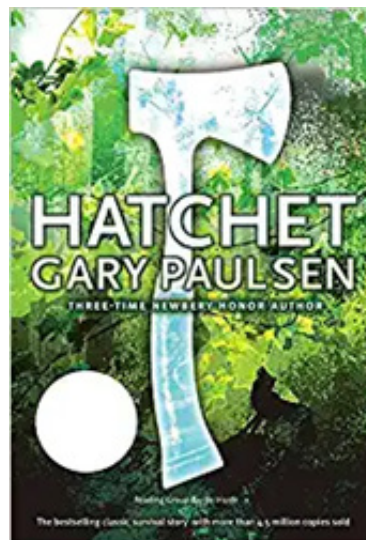
Term 1 is the time that Year 7 do the Information Skills program. During this program, they do a library tour and scavenger hunt, played genre bingo, and eventually learn to write bibliographies. The end result is a poster of their research containing some fascinating information IN THEIR OWN WORDS and a bibliography for the source of the information. I have hung these beauties on the wall in the library on coloured paper.

Book Club continues this year with some new members joining our cake-eating, book-talking, happy-go-lucky gang. We meet twice a term at lunchtime and the chatter is always lively with students recommending books to each other. Manga is always a hot topic with this group. We are currently reading "Hatchet" by Gary Paulsen, which is a story of a boy who is stranded in the Canadian wilderness alone. It is the kind of story that keeps you guessing as you wonder how he is going to get out of this situation... if at all! I look forward to seeing what the book clubbers think about it.

Tying in with St Valentine's Day in February we held Romance Week to highlight the genre of Romance in literature. Chocolate hearts were given out to borrowers, and we played Romance Trivia on the Friday. It was a blast! Who knew these kids loved romance so much?

Year 7 are completing the Accelerated Reader program this year and are flying through their books! The AR program requires that they read for 15 minutes in class every day in order to create a habit and improve ability and pleasure in reading. Being able to read is a key factor to success in later life. Popular books are the graphic novel versions of The Babysitters Club and graphic novels of Sunny in California.

Chess is always popular at Taree High. Chess is a game requiring patience and strategy. The boys here are deep in concentration planning the series of moves required to win.



Owen Burns, Jae Pollock,  
Lucas Sweedman, and Jack Balderston.



Jai Dempsey, Monique Ladynski, and  
Milly Read





## SRC - Fundraiser

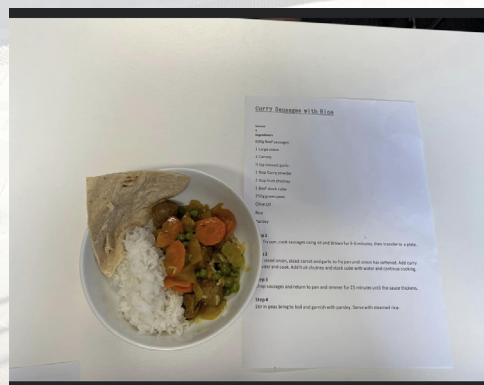
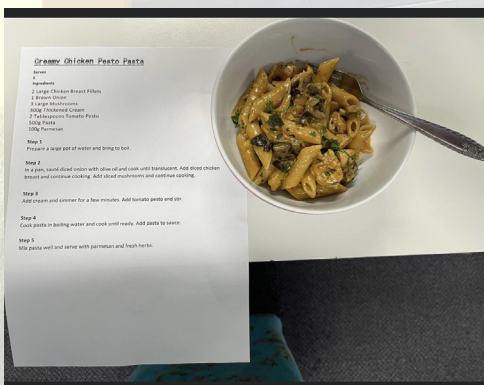
Our Two theme Twosday 22.2.22 was a hit. Students and staff took the advantage of out of uniform and dressed up in some awesome costumes/outfits. The cake stall also had some yummy food. All money raised will go towards Spirit Day at the end of Term 2.

The SRC thank you for your support.



## SUPPORT UNIT

Our Principal Ms Alliston has been spoilt this term with some of our support unit students cooking some delicious lunch and desserts for her. Well Done Ryan, Travis, Lily, Courtney, Rhys, Nakita and Lachlan, your food looks amazing.





## Captains and SRC Report

Your SRC has had quite a busy start to 2022! We had our AGM meeting in term 1, where newly elected students had the opportunity to make decisions about fundraising for 2022, elect new position holders and just get to know each other better. The charities we have decided to support this year are the Black Dog Institution for Mental Health and the RHS which focuses on Indigenous Heart Health and initiatives.

Our School Captains and Vice Captains Irene, Eden, Maddy and Warrun were lucky enough to attend the National Halogen National Young Leaders' Day in Sydney in March. We met student leaders from other schools and heard some of Australia's most high profile people share insights from their own leadership journey.

Finally, a big shout out to you - the students and staff of Taree HS for supporting our Spirit Day fundraiser - the supremely successful "TWOSDAY." You all looked amazing and we love to see it!

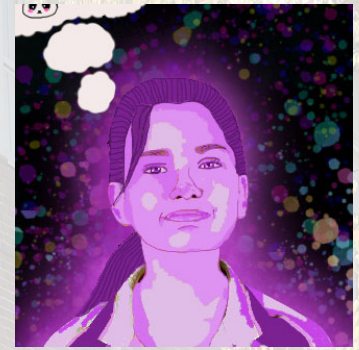




## CAPA

Our Year 8 Digital Art Elective is in full swing with students learning exciting skills with the latest editing programs. They have benefited from an upgrade of laptops and improved collaborative capacities.

These Line Portraits have been developed by students using many different tools and are inspired by the artist Jason Naylor.

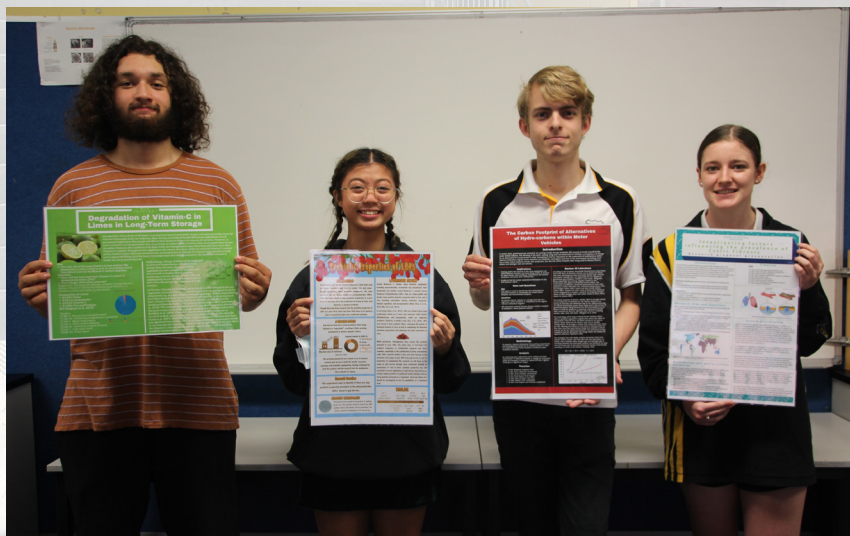


## Science

Science Extension Research Proposals.

Last week the Science Extension class presented their research proposals to a panel of staff. They had designed professional looking information posters and were able to discuss their projects and field questions confidently.

Science extension is an HSC course running for the first time at THS this year. Students learn about the history and philosophy of Science and also undertake a Scientific Research Project. The project can involve analysing data from other studies or carrying out first hand experiments to collect new data. We are looking forward to seeing the final projects produced by this talented group of students.





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**3** days

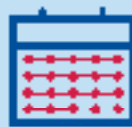


**30** mins  
per day



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**18** days



Patterns of lateness  
can have a serious  
impact on your child's  
education.

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## Sports

### TAREE HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING CHAMPIONS 2022

BOYS			GIRLS		
AGE	NAME	HOUSE	AGE	NAME	HOUSE
12 YEARS	Nicholas Kennewell	Hooke	12 Years	Arabelle Jones	Hooke
13 YEARS	Patrick Hayes	Peel	13 Years	Rosalie Eggins	Murray
14 YEARS	Julian Jackson	Peel	14 Years	Louisa Wilson	Peel
15 YEARS	Ramsay Case	Manning	15 Years	Carly Hooper	Manning
16 YEARS	Marcus Smith	Manning	16 Years	Elsa Wilson	Murray
17 YEARS	Caleb Whitehouse	Hooke	17 Years	Jessie McLeod	Murray
18 YEARS	Eden Taaffe	Peel	18 Years	Charlotte Rainger	Murray

**CHAMPION HOUSE : PEEL**

**CAPTAINS RELAY CHAMPIONS : MURRAY**

**CONGRATULATION TO THE AGE SWIMMING CHAMPIONS**

**Congratulations to all students who attended the Swimming Carnival on Friday 11th February. It was a wonderful day, even though we had to restrict it to competitors only this year. Year 7, we hope you enjoyed your first and Year 12, we can see you enjoyed your last one. Thanks to all the teachers who supported and Ms Alliston for shouting everyone hot dogs**

## Open Boys and Girls Knock Out Water Polo

On Tuesday 1st March, Tyla Humphrey, Ffion Davy, Jorja Holborow, Grace Lambert, Mya Wiley, Louisa Wilson, Rosie Eggins and Bonnie Umland represented the school with pride and school spirit at the Opens Knock Out Water Polo Competition held at Lambton Pool in Newcastle. The team drew a hard draw and had two tough games against Hunter School of Performing Arts and Lambton High School. The team unfortunately lost both games and got knocked out. However, for a team that had never played together and learnt how to play Water Polo on the day, they worked exceptionally hard and never gave up. They are a credit to Taree High and their families, well done girls.

On Wednesday 2nd March, Eden Taaffe, Silas Taaffe, Brady Cross, Jayden Manus, Jasiah Cusbert, Riley Davies, Marcus Smith, Isaac Hayden and Patrick Hayes represented the school at the Opens Knock Out Water Polo Competition held at Lambton Pool in Newcastle. The team had 3 games to play against Warners Bay, Kotara and Merewether. We beat Kotara 6-4 with Marcus scoring 4 goals and Brady scoring 2. We unfortunately lost against Warners Bay and Merewether. The team never gave up and kept swimming until they couldn't swim anymore. Their drive and determination never went away and they were a credit to the school. Isaac Hayden was a stand out in the goals, he has never played before and saved so many good shots at goals.

Congratulations to all students involved for giving a new sport a go, never giving up and having fun at the same time.

Miss Samantha Doust



## Sports

On Friday 18th March, we had 8 students attend the Hunter Academy of Sports UAA 2022 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Talent ID program at Maitland. These students will be trailing for their chosen sports and if successful they will be offered a position to a sports scholarship program. On the day the students were put through Functional Movement Testing and Screening Speed Test, Yoyo Shuttle run, Vertical jump and games on the day consist of Basketball, Netball, AFL, Golf Baseball and Cycling.

# HUNTER ACADEMY OF SPORT

## UAA 2022 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Talent ID Program



### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9am - Athlete Registration

9:30am - Welcome from UAA & HAS

9:45am - Functional Movement Testing & Screening

11:15am - Lunch Break (provided by HAS)

11:45am - Sport Break Outs

2:30pm - Finish

### TALENT IDENTIFIED STUDENTS

HAS will run a 6 week program for identified students from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Talent ID day. These successful participants will then be offered a position to a sport scholarship program where applicable. Students must be committed to the opportunity before accepting the scholarship.

Back Row- Serge Morcombe, Taya Hunter, Bridie Wallace, Lillianah Williams

Front Row- Shakari Williams, Myarla Morcome, Kirra Simon, Ian Simon

**Hunter Academy  
of Sport**



[www.hunteracademy.org.au](http://www.hunteracademy.org.au)



## Sports Netball

On Thursday 10th March our Open Girls Netball team played in the Manning Gala Day. Our girls placed 2nd to Great Lakes College. The girls showed some great netball skills. The team have been successful in gaining a place in the super16 round robin to be played in Newcastle term 2.

Coach - Miss White

Assistant Coach - Mrs Hogan

Years 9/10 boys Netball team played in the NSW Netball School Cup on Thursday 17th March at Taree Netball Courts. The boys were undefeated all day. They all showed some great netball skills. The first 2 games were non competitive, so the points didn't count, But the final 3 games were competitive and they won all games conveniently. The boys are now off to play in the regional final held in Port Macquarie in Term 3. We wish the boys the best of luck.

Coach - Ms Shields

Assistant Coach - Mrs Hogan

## Soccer

Open Girls Soccer team had a successful day on Tuesday 22nd March winning 7-0 against Chatham High in the Bill Turner Cup Challenge. Some great skills were shown by all player on the field.

Coach - Mr Gollan,

Assistant Coach - Mrs Hogan

## Cross Country

On Wednesday the 9th of March 2022, 50 students nominated to compete in the Taree High School Cross Country. Students run the course on the criterium bicycle circuit at Taree Recreational grounds. Students participated with enthusiasm, displayed Taree High School core values and achieved some fantastic results. Age champions included; Jenna Bottrell, Nicholas Kennewell, Rosalie Eggins, Patrick Hayes, Zali Elford, Julian Jackson, Olivia Dawson, Joshua Brawn, Ffion Davy, Isaac Hayden, Jessie McLeod, Brady Cross, Laurah Powell, Eden Taaffe.

40 students qualified for Zone Cross Country which will be held on Monday the 4th April 2022 at Wingham Sporting Complex.

We wish all these competitors well.

J. Harris / J. Hardy – Cross Country Coordinators

## Futsal

In the EastCoast Hastings School Futsal Titles on the 23rd and 24th of March in Port Macquarie at the Indoor Stadium there were two teams that well represented Taree High in this tournament. The U19s Boys and U16s Girls both put in brave efforts and played in good team spirits. Both teams had wins, draws and losses with both also falling just short of the semi-finals, finishing a close 3rd in their respective pools. The top two advanced in each pool advanced to the semi-finals.

Great effort everyone! A fantastic experience for all with improvement definitely witnessed throughout the day and lots of enjoyment also had. Well done! Mr Kelly (Coach/Manager).



## Sports

**Years 9/10 Boys Netball**



**Years 7/8 Boys Netball**



**Years 7/8 Girls Netball**



**Open Girls Netball**



**Open Girls Soccer**



**Years 9/10 Girls Netball**





## Sports

**Cross Country**



**U16's Girls Futsal**



**U19's Boys Futsal**



**Cross Country Age Champions**



**Open Boys WaterPolo**



**Open Girls WaterPolo**





CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS.

**Frazer Merrick**

Hunter 15's Touch Football

**Sam Eiggins**

Hunter Blue Zone - 15's Rugby League

**Billy Buck**

Hunter Blue Zone - 15's Rugby League

**Malaki Smith**

Hunter Blue Zone - 15's Rugby League

**Samira Mitchell**

Hunter Open Girls Cricket Team

Hunter Girls Softball Team

NSW CHS Open Girls Cricket Team

**Charlotte Creek**

Hunter Girls Softball Team

**Jayden Manus**

Hunter Boys Hockey Team

**Brady Cross**

Hunter Boys Hockey Team

**Abby Watts**

Hunter Girls Hockey Team

**Navern Willett**

Hunter u18's Boys Rugby League Team

**Oscar Holt**

Hunter u18's Boys Rugby League Team

**Marcus Smith**

Hunter Swim Team

**Ryan Shakeshaft**

Hunter Swim Team

**Congratulations to the following Team who advance in next rounds of Knockouts.**

Boys and Girls Open Basketball

Girls Open Netball

Boys 7/8 and 9/10 Netball

Girls Open Soccer





## Old Bar Beach RSL Sub-Branch Newsletter

### ANZAC DAY 2022 SERVICE INFORMATION

We are pleased to announce that we have NEW commemoration details for ANZAC Day.

Monday the 25th April, 2022 marks the 107th Anniversary of the landing of Australian & New Zealand Troops on the Gallipoli Peninsula on the 25 April 1915.

#### Commemorations details are as follows:-

##### DAWN SERVICE

is held at the Soldiers Memorial Hall at 530hrs which will consist of a small march, ceremony and wreath laying in a fenced off area. If you require a chair please bring one with you. Pacific Parade will be cut off prior to the service and march. All homes will be able to access Pacific Parade. At this stage, we will be able to provide breakfast to the public.

#### PLEASE NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR MAIN MARCH AND SERVICE

##### MAIN ANZAC DAY SERVICE DETAILS

ANZAC Day March will assemble at 1130-1145hrs and take place at 1200hrs starting at the **Old Bar Heritage Airfield**. The march will continue up Ungala Road.

For those viewing the march -  
Please line up along Ungala Road.

A full ANZAC DAY SERVICE will be held on the lawn near the Taree Old Bar Surf Club from 1215hrs including WREATH Laying ceremonies. Feel free to bring a chair / rug.

The service will be also be LIVE STREAMED on our Facebook page "Old Bar Beach RSL Sub-Branch"

**Lest We Forget**

Jeffrey Earley President Mobile: 0400 679 878

Email: [Old-Bar-BeachSB@rslnsw.org.au](mailto:Old-Bar-BeachSB@rslnsw.org.au)



#### TAREE OLD BAR SURF CLUB SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Support our local Surf Life Saving Club by buying a Sausage Sizzle from 11am and again after the Main Service near the Surf Club



#### FIELD OF REMEMBRANCE

The Field of Remembrance has grown this year to over 280 crosses. These crosses consist of names of deceased Veterans from the Old Bar and surrounding area and names of Veterans who were supplied by the public. This is a wonderful way to honour family in a personal way. Feel free to add a photo/flag etc to your cross and take photos. Thank you to Craft @ Old Bar who made all the beautiful poppies attached to the crosses.



#### EMERGENCY VEHICLE DISPLAY

Emergency Vehicles will be on display for the public at the Main Commemoration near the Skate Park Old Bar







- 1st Prize \$100 Visa Card from Lauders Real Estate Old Bar
- 2nd Prize \$100 Visa Card from LJ Hooker Real Estate Old Bar
- 3rd Prize \$100 voucher from Coles Old Bar
- 4th Prize \$50 voucher from Old Bar Cellars
- 5th Prize \$50 voucher from Old Bar Cellars
- 6th Prize \$50 voucher from Sai Thai Table and Tea
- 7th Prize \$50 voucher from Sai Thai Table and Tea
- 8th Prize \$50 voucher from Old Bar Gourmet Meats
- 9th Prize \$50 voucher from Old Bar Village Cafe
- 10th Prize \$30 Voucher from Old Bar Bakery
- 11th Prize Handmade bohemian jewellery from by Tee Louise

TICKETS \$2 each - 3 for \$5 - 10 for \$15

Raffle be drawn on ANZAC DAY – 25th APRIL 2022

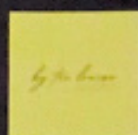
Thank you to all the wonderful business' who donated a prize for our ANZAC Day Raffle

Tickets will be available during Saturday morning meat raffles.  
Alternatively contact us for tickets.

Barwalla is the RSL Day Club for the Old Bar area. It supports older people in the community with social activities every Monday. They meet for quizzes, games and sometimes entertainment, and occasionally they are treated to a bus trip to a nearby town for lunch.

Starts at 10am and concludes at 2pm each Monday.  
For more information phone Rita on 0481 344 661

*Thank you to all the businesses in our wonderful community who have supported the Old Bar Beach RSL Sub-Branch*



and Steven Collins Local Builder

## WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN OUR FAMILY – OLD BAR SUB-BRANCH

The Old Bar Beach RSL Sub-Branch is a well-established Sub-Branch in our area who is re-inventing itself with new members young, old, male and female who have served in the Australian, Commonwealth and Allied Defence Forces for a period of not less than six months.

The Sub-Branch is an important service which we want to keep alive for many generations to come. Not only do we organise military events such as ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day (which are such an important part of our tradition to keep alive), but we also provide welfare and advocacy services to serving and ex-service persons. We act as an effective lobby group to Government and encourage fellowship and mateship for members of the League.

Assistance is provided with Department of Veterans' Affairs issues and support is given to the provision of commemoration and remembrance of those who have served our country. The promotion of loyalty and pride in the people of Australia, the Crown, and the Flag are a priority.

Any personnel who have served in the Australian, Commonwealth and Allied Defence Forces are eligible for membership of the Sub-Branch. The annual membership fee is \$35.00

Contact - President Jeff Earley

Mobile: 0400 679 878

Email: [tearley@bigpond.net.au](mailto:tearley@bigpond.net.au)

*Also ask today about joining our Auxiliary - open to males and females who would like to help and be involved with the Old Bar Beach RSL Sub-Branch*

"THE PRICE OF LIBERTY IS ETERNAL VIGILANCE"



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## April 2022 Training & Camps

**Week 1** Cost: 2hrs = \$20 | 3hrs = \$25 | 4hrs = \$35 | 5hrs+ = \$40

Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th
Pickleball 9:30am - 11:30am	Backhand Spring Workshop 9am - 12pm <i>*Minimum skill level req.</i>	Pickleball 9:30am - 11:30am	CHEER Choreography 9am - 4pm
Kickboxing Workshop 4pm - 6pm 7yrs+	Koori Girls Gymnastics 9am - 12pm	Tumbling Lvl 4-6 1pm - 5pm	Basketball Clinic 9am - 12pm All ages & abilities
Tumbling Lvl 1-3 1pm - 5pm	Social Volleyball 4pm - 6pm		Archery Workshop S1: 12pm - 1:30pm S2: 1:30pm - 3pm 9yrs+
<b>**NEW**</b> FREE-G & Bouldering Workshop 10am - 1pm			



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Cost: 2hrs = \$20 | 3hrs = \$25 | 4hrs = \$35 | 5hrs+ = \$40 **Week 2**

Tuesday 19th	Wednesday 20th	Thursday 21st	Friday 22nd
TEAMGYM Camp 9am - 4pm <u>Both days \$100</u>	BRUTON Basketball Camp 9am - 4pm <u>Both days \$100</u>	Gymaroo Juniors & Gymjoeys 9am - 12pm  Gymaroots 1pm - 5pm	WAG Current Athletes Lvls 1 & 2 9am -12pm Lvls 3 -6 9am - 5pm
		DANCE & Choreography 9am - 3pm   8yrs+	Acro Training 3:30pm - 6:30pm (Current Athletes)
			Pickleball 9:30am - 11:30am



# YOUTH WEEK

Photo Exhibition

*It starts with youth*

