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Mayor tells of family tragedy



Towong mayor, Cr Andrew Whitehead, addresses the 500-strong crowd at a rally in Albury on Saturday in support of a new regional hospital. Photo: James Wiltshire, Border Mail.

Towong mayor, Cr Andrew Whitehead, was front and centre when 500 people gathered at Albury's QEII Square on Saturday to rally for a new single site, greenfield hospital on the border.

The rally was the latest protest by

medical professionals, community members and local government representatives in an ongoing campaign for a new hospital after the announcement of a \$558 million funding co-commitment from the NSW and Victorian state

governments to redevelop the existing Albury Base hospital.

There are serious concerns about the inadequacy of the proposed redevelopment, specifically that it does not address the Albury Wodonga Health 2021 clinical services plan that outlined the need for a new hospital on a new site.

Speaking at the rally, Cr Whitehead said that "a broken system" had contributed to his father's

death after he had to wait in an ambulance for five hours before being admitted to the Albury hospital.

"He started to feel unwell on the Sunday evening (March 2nd). On Monday morning an ambulance was called and he left Corryong hospital at 7.45 heading to Albury.

"At this time no-one could have known what was wrong with him. My father was ramped at Albury for over five hours.

Cr Whitehead said that when his father Bill (88) was eventually admitted to the ED at 3.30pm, medics performed a scan to discover blood supply to the bowel had been blocked.

"By that time, my father's choice of whether or not to have an operation had been taken away," he said.

Cr Whitehead added that he was confident that many other people had similar stories to tell.

Haines will fight for childcare places

Independent Federal Member for Indi, Helen Haines, is proposing a plan to create hundreds of

new childcare places and increase capacity in Indi by up to 10 percent.

Dr Haines launched two

early childhood education and care policies aimed at increasing childcare availability in regional areas and ensure the long-term sustainability of before and after school care services.

"In Indi, there are three children for every childcare place," she said.

"This is considered a childcare desert and they exist across north east Victoria.

"When there aren't enough places, children miss out on all the benefits of childcare."

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Street works impact bakery

The small profits achieved by the Upper Murray Community Bakery in January and February have been offset by a decrease in custom caused by the streetscape project.

“The bakery is currently operating at deficit of approximately \$4000 per week, which is completely unsustainable,” said Corryong Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) co-ordinator, Sara Jenkins.

The CNC operates the bakery as a community enterprise.

“The change from the small surpluses we had attained in January and February is the direct result of the impact of the streetscape works on bakery sales,” Sara said.

“Since works commenced on February 23rd, bakery sales have been down by 29 per cent including three days we were unable to open. That’s a total of \$29,000 less in sales than the same period last year and 2024 was already the lowest sales year since 2017.

“Costs and staffing remain tightly managed and the bakery staff are doing their best to respond to the constant changes, promoting that we are open and our products but that sort of drop is too large to cover.

“There is no indication that there will be any form of financial compensation from Towong Shire Council, despite us begging for the works to be done over winter for the past three years and it could not have occurred at a worse time for the CNC.

“The profitability of the bakery is the key to us avoiding insolvency and this is no longer even close.

“We will continue to operate through the bush festival and Easter to see how much can be recouped but in reality, we are now falling significantly behind with supplier payments and have never been profitable over the quieter winter months, so it is a possibility that the CNC will not continue to operate the bakery in the second half of 2025.

“On a more positive note, our fundraising total is now sitting at \$47,600 which has been the absolute saviour for the CNC being able to continue to operate.

“All donations are being used to deliver core services and a minimal youth program, which requires around \$15,000 per month.

“We desperately need donations to continue to keep the doors open until our core government funding is reinstated.

“A big thank you to all the individuals and community groups who have contributed so far.”

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FRRR/donation account at <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/TheFoundationforRuralRegional/UMIF.html>.

“In the meantime we continue to keep costs to an absolute minimum,” Sara added.

“Our suppliers are being very supportive and reasonable but it is becoming more and more difficult to provide regular and/or timely payments and quite soon that is going to result in supply stoppages.

“However, additional sales over the festival and Easter should ease the pressure and enable us to catch up with suppliers.

“Our ATO payment plan is also working, with the February BAS being paid when due.

“In addition to ongoing financial and strategic planning, monitoring and reporting, which we already do in conjunction with our primary stakeholders, our plan for recovery and sustainability includes returning the bakery to profit; continuing our fundraising efforts; reducing costs; and bringing creditors up to date and keeping them there.

“We are also trying to secure an ongoing Neighbourhood House contract.

The Department of Families, Fairness & Housing (DFFH) has advised that an audit was being organised to be conducted this month.

“Selling assets and closing unfunded aspects of the business are also being considered by the CNC committee.

“We have also sought external financial and legal advice to support our required actions and the decision was made to engage the services of an Albury insolvency advisor.”

A further update on the financial aspects of the CNC and its enterprises will be provided next week.

Capital grants for education need to be doubled

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“It means parents are unable to work to their full capacity,” Dr Haines said.

“Families in regional areas face childcare shortages at more than twice the rate of families in major cities.”

Dr Haines said Australia spends less on early childhood education than many other developed

countries and a lack of childcare is the number one barrier to women entering or re-entering the workforce.

“For many parents, if they can’t find childcare they can’t work,” she said.

“It not only has a profound impact on their household budget but it hurts national productivity.

“In regional areas we simply don’t have enough childcare places. Wait lists are years’ long and I’ve heard from parents whose children are starting school before they can get a childcare place.

“I’ve been speaking with parents, carers, childcare operators and industry representatives about the changes they want to improve supply of childcare.”

The federal government’s \$1 billion Building Early Education Fund includes a \$500 million capital grants stream for early childhood education and care providers to build new services and increase capacity of existing services. The fund will target priority and underserved markets including regional locations and the outer suburbs.

Dr Haines’ Early Education Plan proposes the capital grants stream be increased from \$500 million to \$1 billion, bringing the total value of the Building Early Education Fund to \$1.5 billion.

The second policy of Dr Haines early childhood

platform follows her work last year to save five outside school hours care services from potential closure after their funding was unexpectedly cut.

Dr Haines said the threat of losing funding showed changes are needed for the Community Childcare Fund to allocate funding based on need instead of a competitive grant process.

“Hundreds of deserving services around Australia are at risk of missing out on funding for outside school hours care services because of a broken funding model that doesn’t reflect regional needs,” she said.

“Right now, funding isn’t based on demand but it should be.”

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Snowy Valleys mayor, Cr Julia Ham, opens the latest leg of the Sculpture Trail.

Photo: Darcy Bly Photography



Sculpture launch precedes lunch

Khancoban came alive on Saturday with the highly anticipated Khancoban Long Lunch event and the opening of the local leg of the Snowy Valleys Sculpture Trail and Snowy Hydro monument.

Held at the town's community hall, the event was an afternoon filled with fine food, live music and a warm community atmosphere.

The Khancoban Long Lunch, organised by the Khancoban United Volunteer Association (KUVA) and Snowy Valleys Council and supported by the NSW government, is more than just a meal.

It is a celebration of community, local talent and the unique charm of

the Snowy Valleys region.

Guests were treated to a delightful three-course meal curated by Harvest Kitchen featuring exquisite canapés, a shared main and an indulgent dessert grazing table.

The soulful sounds of Paige Lee Music, a local talent from Corryong, set the perfect ambiance for the afternoon.

To complement the dining experience, a fully stocked bar was run by KUVA alongside the Khancoban RFS, with all proceeds supporting their invaluable community work.

The venue was beautifully adorned by Corryong Country Blooms and attendees were given the chance to capture the

moment with Darcy Bly Photography.

In addition to the Long Lunch, the event will also mark the opening of the Sculpture Trail and the unveiling of the Snowy Hydro monument.

The Snowy Valleys Sculpture Trail is a collection connected by the historic towns of Adelong, Tumut, Batlow, Talbingo, Tumbarumba, the hamlet of Tooma and the vineyards of Courabyra Wines, Johansen Wines and Obsession Wines, three sites in the Bago State Forest and now, Khancoban. This new attraction is expected to draw visitors from near and far, adding to the cultural and historical significance of the region.

Baconer bounces back



The motorbike rider is taken to hospital while the injured hog lies motionless.

A Corryong landmark is back on his trotters after being involved in an accident last week. Standing sentinel on the median strip in Donaldson street for almost 15 years, the 'Agmate Pig' was in his usual position when he was sideswiped by a motorcycle and had his legs sheared off just above the hocks.

The luckless rider, a 66-year-old man from Bellingen (NSW), had just collected his bike from Corryong Tyre & Auto

after having a new tyre fitted overnight and on leaving the premises, an oil slick on the roadway caused him to lose control.

Bike and rider then careered across the road and cleaned up the porker.

Corryong police and paramedics attended the scene and the man was taken to hospital with suspected hip and back injuries.

Showing remarkable resilience, the restored 'Agmate Pig' is now back in his favourite spot.

Missing boy found safe

Police have thanked the public after nine-year-old Axtyn Flack was located safely just before 8.30am on Monday, after going missing in Khancoban the previous evening. The boy was last seen walking south along Mitchell

Avenue at around 6.30pm but when he was unable to be located or called, police were contacted and started inquiries into his whereabouts.

Police released a statement saying the boy had been located safely.

The grapevine

Club Corner:- The jackpot at The Club Corryong this Friday is \$2350. Last week's winner was Yvonne Scott (\$10). The end-of-month winner was Shane Blake.

Forest Management Victoria (FFMV) ignited a 434ha planned fuel reduction burn yesterday along the Lucyvale Mongans Fireline. The Planned Burns Victoria website has details of all operations currently on the three-year

Joint Fuel Management Program at <https://plannedburns.fmv.vic.gov.au/>.

Cuppa & Chat:- At Corryong FoodShare on Wednesday April 9th at 1pm - Let's Talk About Insurance with Hume Riverina Community Legal Service and the Consumer Action Law Centre who want to hear your stories to make sure your voices and experiences are heard by decision and policy makers.

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Riders reach the final leg

When it arrives at Tintaldra next week, the epic Chauvel Australian Light Horse Memorial Ride is within days of finishing its last significant stretch through the Upper Murray to Tallangatta.

The Memorial Ride has not only linked regional towns and cities of the Chauvel Border Light Horse Trail, it has focused on many smaller communities and their Light Horse stories and those of their ancestors.

It is not just about the Light Horse - the Memorial Ride is about all who served in the Boer War, the two World Wars and subsequent conflicts.

At 6pm on Wednesday April 9th, there will be a short Service of Remembrance for the Fallen at the Tintaldra Avenue of Honour to commemorate the men from the district who have served their communities and their country.

Although the Memorial Ride is just ten days away from ending on April 16th in Tallangatta, its stories are only just beginning.

As one of the Riders remarked "The ride has been more than a journey!"

After the Remembrance Service at Tintaldra the riders and their supporters

will be gathering at the Tintaldra pub for a drink and a meal. This will be your opportunity to exchange Memorial Ride stories for some of the local anecdotes.

You might hear how some wartime survivors returned to serve their community with the same pride with which they had served their country. Everyone is welcome but if you plan to stay for a meal please book in advance in with the Hotel on 0400 800 648.

Linked to the Tintaldra commemoration is the Cudgewa War Memorial. At 11am on April 14th there will be a short service of Remembrance for the Fallen, followed by a morning tea in the Cudgewa Memorial Hall to launch the final stretch of the Memorial Ride over Keelangie towards Old Tallangatta.

If you plan to attend the morning tea after the service, RSVP on 0427 774 324. The cost is \$10 per head for light refreshments with all proceeds going to the Memorial Hall.

Lieutenant Colonel Colin Baker from Khancoban, a former Commanding Officer of the 12th/16th Hunter

River Lancers, endurance rider and Anglican lay reader, will be saying the prayers at both the services at the Tintaldra Avenue of Honour and Cudgewa War Memorial. Colin will be bringing his own military experience to the commemorations.

Significant for local remembrance, this ride will re-trace as far as possible the routes taken by those from the Upper Murray who rode their horses to enlist in Tallangatta to serve in WWI. In Tallangatta men and their mounts caught the train to Wodonga and travelled onwards to Melbourne and the training areas at Maribyrnong and Broadmeadows.

The ride has commemorated the Australian Light Horse as part of the voice from the bush and regional Australia in the spirit of Anzac. It has linked many communities, like-minded people, RSLs, families, and individuals across regional Victoria and New South Wales. It has taken the stories into schools and RSLs. It has thrilled students and parents alike.

It has pushed the boundaries of commemoration well beyond protocols



Riders will attend a remembrance service at Tintaldra next Wednesday.

associated with anniversaries to highlighting the importance of civic duty and contributing to community.

I can't think of a better prequel to the 110th Anzac Landings at Anzac Cove on Gallipoli. The Upper

Murray did its bit and in the course of history has been represented in all arms of service.

~ Honor Auchinleck

Facebook Event Link:

Chauvel Light Horse Memorial Ride - Tintaldra Service / Facebook

Legal service funded for five years

Hume Riverina Community Legal Service (HRCLS) has welcomed a new round of funding to support the strategic delivery of legal services and improve justice outcomes for people most in need across North East Victoria including the Upper Murray.

HRCLS will receive \$1 million over five years under the Victorian Legal Services Board and Commissioner's Strong Foundations grant round.

This grant will support

existing legal service delivery programs that provide direct legal services in family and civil law to resolve everyday legal problems experienced by people in our community arising from family violence, climate and disaster impacts, and economic vulnerability.

"We are thrilled to have received funding under the grant," said Sarah Rodgers, Manager and Principal Lawyer at HRCLS.

"We have advocated strongly for adequate and secure funding to provide legal services to communities in the North East and are pleased the Victorian Legal Services Board and Commissioner has recognised the impact of our work in improving access to justice.

"Last year we assisted 1338 clients with almost 3000 legal services and provided community legal education and advocated for law reform to address systemic injustice;



Debi Fisher (Hume Legal Service), Katrina Webster (Victorian Legal Services Board) and Kate Clohesy (ARC Justice) discussing the new funding.

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Youth program provides recruits

A valuable source of volunteers for the CFA locally has been the Youth Crew program where students learn the foundations of fire preparedness and prevention.

It also includes understanding environmental patterns and identifying ways to preserve and protect the environment from potential fire threats.

The program runs for two years and participants gain a Certificate II in Public Safety (Firefighting Operations), Level 2 First Aid, fire awareness, fire preparedness and firefighting skills.

Students from Corryong, Tallangatta and Mt Beauty Secondary Colleges engage in this valuable course along with creating connections that have proven to develop into long lasting friendships with a feeling of connectedness and belonging.

Over the two years students work closely with CFA volunteers, SES, Ambulance Victoria and DEECA volunteers which offers students an insight



into various employment and volunteer pathways.

The CFA Youth Crew program was formed in 1997 with 21 students aged from 15-17 years from

Corryong, Tallangatta and Mount Beauty Secondary Colleges and members of the Country Fire Authority.

However, from a high of around 60 participants,

numbers have decreased significantly in recent years.

"This is becoming an issue as our youth crew members are the next

generation of firefighters to fill the senior brigade ranks," one of the program co-ordinators said at a joint youth crew training day at Corryong last week.

Fire service celebrates eight decades

This week CFA marks 80 years as an organisation, protecting and serving Victorians through the commitment and dedication of its volunteers over the decades.

The Volunteer Brigade movement has been around in Victoria for greater than 170 years. CFA was created following the findings of the 1939 Black Friday disaster but our rich history mirrors that of the state, with the earliest brigades emerging on the Goldfields in the 1850s.

This milestone encompasses an immeasurable legacy of sacrifice, commitment and stories which go to the heart of the Australian psyche; exemplifying mateship and the principle of being there for others in their time of need.

The iconic "yellows" are instantly recognisable and synonymous with selfless service and

bravery in preparing and protecting communities across Victoria and beyond.

Our members and brigades can be found in every part of Victoria, providing a deep and unparalleled connection with their communities. We are part of them, and they are part of us.

We have learned from the many devastating events throughout our history and continue to evolve and improve our understanding of fire, while ensuring that our frontline firefighters and the community is as safe as possible as they carry out their work.

Fire prevention and suppression techniques have advanced significantly, boosted by the use of aerial appliances, telecommunications, improved weather modelling and cutting-edge predictive fire behaviour tools, as well as

a focus on planned burning and other fuel reduction methods.

While many Victorians associate CFA with bushfire, our members and the work they do is so much more than that.

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Feedback sought on plan

Snowy Valleys Council (SVC) is inviting residents to have their say on the updated Snowy Valleys Community Strategic Plan - Towards 2042.

"The Community Strategic Plan (CSP) is a roadmap guiding the region towards 2042 and reflects community aspirations and priorities and sets out the long term vision for the area," said SVC mayor, Cr Julia Ham.

Between February and March 2024, more than 450 Snowy Valleys residents participated in Stage 1 of the Towards 2042 engagement activities. This engagement focused on four key questions:-

- Where are we now?
- Where do we want to be?
- How will we get there?
- When will we know

we've arrived?

Following this consultation, council revised the CSP to reflect community input and ensure it continued to support the long-term vision for the region.

The updated CSP is now available for public review.

"While council has a lead role in preparing and implementing the CSP it is a shared vision for the future and every voice matters," Cr Ham said.

"Locals are encouraged to review the updated CSP and share their feedback via the online feedback form."

For more information, visit www.svc.nsw.gov.au/public-exhibition

Hard copies are also available for viewing at council's Service Counters and Libraries.



More than 450 people participated in engagement activities in early 2024.

Letters to the editor:-

Mayor's support has been admirable

Congratulations to Towong mayor, Cr Andrew Whitehead, for having consistently and strongly supported the effort to have the original plan of a new hospital on a greenfield site in Albury/Wodonga - instead of a watered down version of building add-ons to a crumbling (literally) shell.

As time goes on, more and more parts of even that plan are removed. Purely a build to fit a budget. The previously planned heliport - which had been part of the existing building - has now been scrapped, along with much more.

There are less beds than are currently needed and that number reduces

every time they look at the budget.

There are also plans to close Wodonga ED in a few years time. The new ED at Albury has taken over \$200 million of the often quoted budget amount of over \$500 million. Even now, both the new Albury ED and existing Wodonga ED combined cannot cope with demand with catastrophic results on more than one occasion.

Andrew's willingness to share his family's still raw, harrowing experience at the rally in Albury last Saturday was admirable.

Thank you also to the people who travelled to Albury and previously to Melbourne, to support this essential cause.

Elizabeth Grant,
Wodonga.

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Men's peer-to-peer support groups are gatherings where men come together to share experiences, struggles, and triumphs in a supportive and non-judgmental environment. These groups intend to provide a safe space for men to discuss various topics such as relationships, parenting, career challenges, personal growth and mental health in all its forms. The goal is to foster connections, offer encouragement, and provide mutual support to navigate life's challenges.

We encourage men 18+ to come along to gain an understanding of how Men's Chat Group works and whether Men's Chat Group is right for you.

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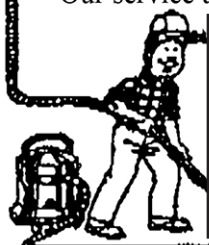
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Tuesday: Corryong - Thowgla side of Hanson St (Towong Upper, Thowgla, Nariel Valley etc)

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Enquiries:

Pastor Graeme Van Brummelen - (02) 6076 1468 / 0488 269 393

Services:

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Saturday afternoon

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Research shows most road deaths happen near home



New research reveals that most deaths on regional Victorian roads over the past five years involved local residents, showing that the unexpected can happen even on the most familiar roads.

Transport Accident Commission (TAC) analysis of road fatalities from 2020 to 2024 shows that more than 70% of people killed on country roads died within a 30km radius of their home address.

The research follows a tragic start to the year on Victoria's roads, with 74 lives lost compared with 75 at the same time last year. January this year was the deadliest month on Victoria's roads since March 2008, and the worst start to a year since 2001.

The majority of fatalities so far this year have also happened on regional roads where there have been 43 lives lost, compared with 31 in metropolitan Melbourne.

In regional areas, road users typically travel longer distances in high-speed zones, and the consequences are more severe if something goes wrong.

Importantly, the new TAC data analysis dispels the myth that people dying in fatal crashes in regional Victoria are predominantly visitors or people unfamiliar with the roads they're traveling on - just 4 per cent of deaths were people travelling from outside of Victoria or Australia.

Around 70 per cent of the regional fatalities analysed happened on high-speed roads, most

of which had low traffic volumes and gravel shoulders and involved either a vehicle running off the road or into an oncoming vehicle or crashing at an intersection.

The findings have prompted the TAC to remind drivers to slow down on low-volume, high-speed country roads, come to a complete stop at intersections and ensure they are distraction free - even on roads they know like the 'back of their hand'.

With travel on regional roads set to increase over the coming school holidays and Easter long weekend, the TAC will also be focusing on the dangers of tired driving. The TAC's fatigue campaign, 'Driving tired? Wake up to yourself.', will be running across print, broadcast, digital and outdoor channels throughout the holiday period.

Quotes attributable to Transport Accident Commission CEO Tracey Slatter

"The evidence is clear - crashes often happen close to home, on familiar roads that we know like the back of our hand.

"Our new insights reinforce the need for us all to be aware of risks on local roads, not to be complacent, and to give our undivided attention to driving until we reach our destination safely."

"We can all play a part in keeping ourselves and others safe on the road by obeying the law, avoiding risky behaviours and being 100 per cent focused very time we get behind the wheel."

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Upper Murray Sport



Exciting finish crowns tennis season

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The weather was perfect for tennis and the games kept the bystanders entertained through an enthralling encounter.

Cudgewa had the ascendancy in the men's singles, winning all three matches but the Cudgewa North ladies mirrored that result to get their team within six games prior to the mixed rubbers.

However, Cudgewa proved superior down the stretch, winning the trio of mixed match-ups to post a

60-46 victory.

Highlights of the day included the battle amongst the Fair family with sisters Tracey and Kate going head-to-head with some unbelievable shots.

Kate then paired with her 13-year-old son Thomas against his aunt Tracey and he showed he was up there with the best in his first grand final.

The family connection continued with Tony Jarvis and his daughter Kerstin playing for the premiers.

At the conclusion of play, the following best and fairest awards for the season were presented:-

Ladies: Winner - Kate Miranda (Cudgewa Nth) 289 / Runner-up - Deirdre

Williams (Corryong) 212

Men: Winner - Thomas Miranda (Cudgewa Nth) 239 / Runner-up - Simon Bos (Cudgewa Nth) 231

Junior Girls: Winner - Ruby Jean Klippel (Cudgewa Nth) 148 / Runner-up: Quinn Gaithbrath (Cudgewa Nth)

Junior Boys: Thomas Miranda (Cudgewa Nth) 239 / Runner-up - Edward Miranda (Cudgewa Nth) 229. An open tournament was also held on the day and the winners were John Tempest 17 and Edward Miranda 13.

The committee of the UMTA thanks all five teams for a successful season and it was great to see a few new faces and junior kids playing also.



Cudgewa Premiers (left to right):- Jake Faithful, Brad Mitchell, Kerstin Jarvis, Tony Jarvis and Nicole Faithful.
Photo: Alice Albert.



Kate Miranda tries to wrong-foot her sister Tracey Fair while Brad Mitchell and Simon Bos await the outcome.

Photo: Alice Albert.

TEE TO GREEN



With the Bias

Welaregang

After 22 rounds and an aggregate total of 218 players, the Summer Cup was decided by just one point!

Lance Noonan was able to hold off Laurie Williams with Jono Lebner in third, his four wins not quite enough. The winner carded three wins and four runners-up placings, while Laurie had two wins and four runners-up. Paul Land made a late rush, winning the last two rounds.

In a very tight final day, Paul's 22 points saw him win by one over Bill Sheather, Bill Bond, Tony Jarvis, Darren Land and youngster Beau Morley, who carded his best score to date.

Golf at Welaregang now moves to Sundays at 12 noon, starting this week with an 18 hole 3-person ambrose "bring a guest"

day. Visitors are most welcome to come along as teams can be formed on the day, names in by 11.30am.

At the clubs annual general meeting held on Saturday, the captain reported an overall increase in participants with the Summer Cup attracting 57 more than the previous year while the field competing in the annual tournament nearly doubled, from 36 to 62.

The club's first big event for the season, the Graziers Cup, will be held on April 27, with the club hoping that the long weekend will attract a big field.

Corryong Course Closed:-
Please note there will be no golf played until 17/4/25 due to the course being used for the bush festival.

The annual general meeting and awards day will be held on Sunday April 6th. Ring in by 10.30am for an 11am rollup start. A barbeque lunch is planned for about 12.30. All members are invited - please bring a salad or slice.

The meeting will commence after the awards presentation.

Enquiries to the secretary Leif Kamba on 0407 483 377.

Roll on!
~ Kitty

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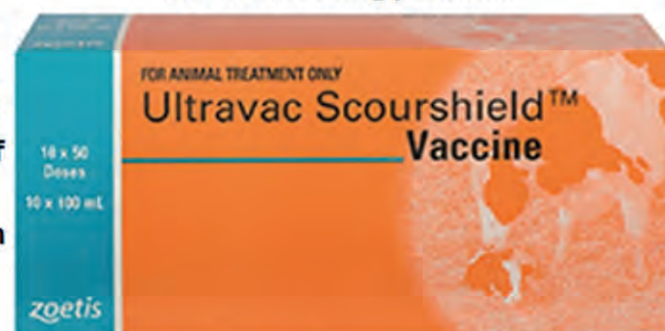
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