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**ISSUE 12** 

## **COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**

1ST OCTOBER 2024

## SAVE THE DATE

100 Year Anniversary Black Tie Ball

#### **SATURDAY 24TH MAY 2025**

In 2025 the Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall will celebrate it's 100 year anniversay.

Mark the date in your diary and ticket information will be released early 2025.



## WOODSTOCK PANTHERS BACK ON THE FIELD

They have literally come out of the woodwork for this.....joining the Mid Western Community Cup, the Woodstock Panthers. The last time a football team was fielded for Woodstock was almost 22 years ago. Running onto the field on the 21st September against Carcoar, at Carcoar, a well played game but unfortunately a loss 30-6.

Woodstock's next game will be played at Rockley against Rockley

on Saturday 12th October at 2.15pm. Followed by the semi finals at Woodstock Showground on Saturday 19th October 2024. Everyone is bound to know someone that is part of this team, so show your support and come along for a game. Gate fee will be a donation, on the day and a BBQ will be available.

A very big thankyou to all the sponsors that kicked in to get the team on the field.

# FROM THE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The past four months have been somewhat quieter in developments.

We recently assisted with catering at both the Coota Park Blue-E Field Day and Bull Sale, a big thankyou to Jonathon Wright for allowing us the opportunity to raise some funds for ongoing projects. Also thanks to Adam Dwight, Meg Thomas and Di Brown for helping on both days.

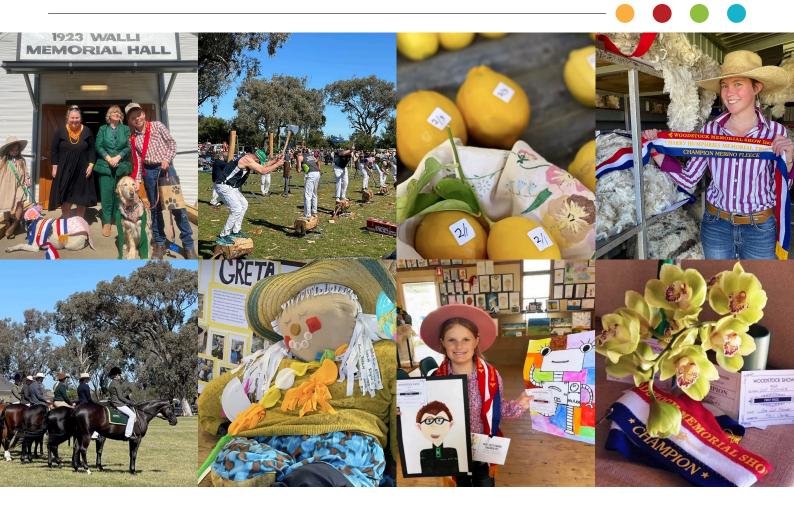
Thanks also to the Woodstock Hotel for allowing

us to run the monthly raffle in September and raise revenue for all things Woodstock!

As always we appreciate feedback and ALL ideas for Woodstock and district, please feel free to share via email.

EVERYONE is WELCOME to attend the next meeting to be held 27th October at the Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall at 2pm.

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## A QUACKIN GOOD 2024 SHOW

On Sunday September 1 the sun shone brightly on the village of Woodstock, the wind settled and once again we saw great crowds attend the annual show.

The FREE attractions were well received by patrons, with the Base Zero Rock Climbing Wall patronised nonstop ALL DAY. Norah and her RACING DUCKS from the sunshine state entertained the crowd throughout the day, with the final race run as a calcutta, Blake Tidswell and the Woodstock Memorial Show sharing the winnings. Troppo Magic worked his magic once again captivating crowds with his wizardry.

Record entries received for the woodchopping event, with over 40 woodchoppers in action. The speed shear also had a strong contingent of entries ably run by Jessie Mills of JJ Mills Shearing. The vintage tractor pull an ongoing crowd pleaser with both the very young and old. Pavilion entries were higher than the previous year across all sections. A total of 14 scarecrows entered with the

Devlin Family taking out the Champion Scarecrow, Reserve Champion going to Poppa Pete by the Johnstone Family.

A highlight of the day was the success of the Baker Family, featuring widely across the show Eliza Dally receiving the Most Successful Exhibitor in the cookery section, following in the footsteps of her grandmother Mrs Norma Baker, Mr Steven Baker receiving Most Successful Exhibitor in the wool section and young Hazel Dally being sashed Miss Tiny Tot. A wonderful day, for the Baker clan.

A tremendous effort for a small community to facilitate an event of this scale. The biggest of thankyous to everyone involved, it takes many hours of preparation and coordination. To the President Mr Ben Johnstone and his wife Claire, your recruitment of people power for this event and working bee is awesome, so great to see people pitching in to get the job done!

Moving on to 2025, SAVE THE DATE Sunday September 7th 2025.



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## **WOODSTOCK FIRE BRIGADE**

The Get Ready Weekend in Woodstock, saw Woodstock host brigades from Lyndhurst, Mt McDonald, Kangaroo Flat and the Gap to participate in a training day.

As the bush fire season approaches, it is crucial for all NSW residents and landowners to be aware of their risk and take the necessary steps to protect their homes and properties.

The fire season begins on October 1st and ends on March 31st. Fire permits are available online through the RFS website, hard copy permits are still available for permit officers Robert Moodie or Steve Green. Any burns must give 24 hours notice to RFS and neighbours must all be informed.

On the third Sunday of the month the Woodstock Rural Fire Brigade will undertake regular training exercises you will notice the team driving around the village with lights and occasionally sirens on.

The Woodstock Fire Station is currently under demolition to make way for a modern station suitable to house tankers. The new station should be operational by February 2025.



## **COMMUNITY POST OFFICE**

#### WOODSTOCK

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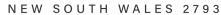
















## **WOODSTOCK ENDURANCE RIDE**

## SEPTEMBER 7th & 8TH 2024

With the district looking an absolute picture, endurance riders from far and wide enjoyed another great weekend in Woodstock. The weather was perfect for riding.

Noon Saturday saw 21 riders set out onto the 40km course, which traversed Blazleys Lane, Goodacre Drive, and up to the check point at the end of Hilltops Lane. The view from this checkpoint was magnificent with the canola fields looking fantastic. On they rode along Hilltops Lane, left along George Russell and right into Myalla Rd (Cemetery Lane) which is a favourite section for many riders. At the end of Cemetery Lane the riders had the privilege of riding through Myalla.

A big thank you to Andy Cottee for slashing a track for the riders to follow, guiding them out past the homestead to Nargong Rd where they had a quick chat with the check point volunteers and then returned to base following their outwards route. The horses enjoyed lush pick along the road sides and all travelled well.

Our 20km riders headed off at 12.30pm, travelling 6km along Blazleys Lane and then being turned to head across to the The Laurels. Thank you to Paul Dresser for access through your paddock. And to Shaun Duggan for access to The Laurels (rifle range). Also a big thank you to Henry for moving sheep to minimise the number of gate sitters

required through this section, truly appreciated. These riders then headed home along George Russell Drive and into Hilltops Lane which saw them also enjoy the great views of the canola paddocks.

At 3am Sunday morning our 120km riders headed off into a very mild morning to do our Stock Route loop. Riders enjoyed the wide verge along George Russell drive out to Old Waugoola Rd. From here they followed directly up to the old Stock Route, this is a part of the Woodstock course that all who ride it greatly enjoy. Exiting the stock route riders have a nice downhill section through Euralie back out onto Ferndale Rd and retrace their steps back into base.

Our 80km riders headed out at 4am following in the hoof-prints of the 120km riders to also enjoy the Stock Route loop. Our thanks to Kevin Guihot of Top End, Sandy Rowlands of Twin Willows, Lachlan Ireland of Grubbenbun and Wal from Euralie for allowing our ride to pass through your properties over many, many years.

Legs two for these riders saw them also head out to Myalla, and return. The 120km riders then headed out to do the "rifle range" loop and then finally their fourth leg which was a nice relaxed run down Blazleys Lane to a checkpoint and home.













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Many of the 120km riders used Woodstock as a major component in their training schedules in preparation to take on our national championships 160km Tom Quilty, in South Australia in October. The Woodstock district provides a safe, challenging course that is excellent training for these horses.

We are truly grateful to our sponsors who support the Woodstock ride year in, year out. Our Best Conditioned Horse rug sponsors were – Holmwood & Cowra Wreckers, Animal Focus, Beecher Wool Services and JJ Dresser & Co.

Our placegetters awards were sponsored by Lachlan Engineering Services, Casey Surveying and Design, Central Vet Services, Heartland Rural, Nicole Allan Equine Education, 2nd Chance Saddlery, Lachlan River Produce, Mobile GG spot, Bathurst Vet Services.

The Margaret Cole Memorial Award was once again provided by Greg and Louise Hamilton, and awarded to a rider who has a great connection to their horse.

Radincon supplied out Vets Choice rug which is awarded to by the vets to a rider who has shown good horsemanship throughout the ride.

FeedXL provided vouchers that the recipients use to have their horses rations analysed and advice given on amendments.

The Lachlan Endurance Riders Club (LERC) would once again like to thank the Woodstock community for sharing your very special part of the world with our riders, who greatly appreciate their Woodstock visit each year.







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## **ANZAC DAY TRADITIONS**

A glorious autumnal day on April 25th for the annual ANZAC commemorations saw hundreds line Parkes and Rankin Streets. This event is coordinated by Paul (Spud) Bennett and his wife Gail each and every year.

Leading the march was the Orange Canoblas Pipeband, followed by an army jeep driven by Michael Hunt of Woodstock. Veterans followed along with family representatives of soldiers passed. Wreaths were laid at the Sister Jenny Kerr Park by Dan Oxley, Norman Dennis and the Woodstock P & C.

The march then went on to the Arnold Bennett

Gates at the Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall where wreaths were laid by Paul (Spud) and Gail Bennett, Guy Tidswell, Norman Dennis and the Woodstock P & C

A memorial service followed in the hall, attended by many. Wreaths were also laid in the hall by Cowra Council, Dan Oxley and David Tidswell. Afternoon tea followed served by Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall.

A traditional afternoon of TWOUP followed at the Woodstock Hotel, reports of the biggest attendance ever!

## **POOLSIDE NEWS**

On behalf of the Woodstock Swimming Pool Committee we would like to welcome everyone to our pool OPEN DAY on Sunday 2nd November.

For those 18 years and over wanting to purchase a key, you must hold a current first aid certificate. Family keys \$100, Single keys \$80. Keys returned prior to April 30th 2025 will have \$20 refunded to them. Monthly keys are available at a cost of \$40, not refundable. There are still some keys outstanding from last season, please return ASAP.

As this is a community run facility we encourage all key holders to attend meetings and help out with maintenance where needed. More hands mean less work.

A big thankyou to the Woodstock Hotel and its patrons for supporting us during Friday night raffles.

If you would like to be on our mailing list for next season updates please let us know through our Facebook page, Woodstock Swimming Pool.



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# WOODSTOCK BOWLING AND RECREATION CLUB

Following on from successful market days held in June and August, the next markets at the Woodstock Bowling Club are scheduled for October 20th, in attendance on this day will be the Ford Mustang Club and the Cowra Vintage Car Club. The local Woodstock Rural Fire Service will also have an information stand to answer any questions.

Reminder the BISTRO is operational at the Bowling Club and Meat Raffles are run every Saturday night.

Upcoming event Trivia Night to be held on October 25th captained by Mr Ben Cooley.





### **DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO SHARE?**

We are interested in all VILLAGE HAPPENINGS! if you have some great news to share please contact us. Email: woodstockprogressassoc@gmail.com or phone: 02 6345 0104.

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## **WHAT'S ON**

#### 5th October 2024

Woodstock Bike Rally Woodstock Hotel

#### 12th October 2024

Woodstock Panthers v's Rockley at Rockley 2.15pm

#### 19th October 2024

Semi Final Mid Western Community Cup Woodstock Showground

#### 20th October 2024

Woodstock Bowling Club Markets

#### 25th October 2024

Woodstock Bowling Club Trivia Night 6.30pm

#### 2nd November 2024

OPEN DAY Woodstock Swimming Pool

#### 3rd November 2024

Kristy Lee Akers & Rhinestoned Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall

#### 5th November 2024

Melbourne Cup Luncheon Woodstock Bowling Club

#### 11th November 2024

Remembrance Day Ceremony Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Park

#### 22nd December 2024

Woodstock Bowling Club Markets

#### **December Sometime**

Community Christmas Party Woodstock Hotel



### **VENUE HIRE**

## Are you planning a wedding, party or ANYTHING?

Woodstock Memorial Hall is available for your next function.

Details on the website woodstocksoldiersmemorialhall.godaddysites.com Or contact 02 6345 0271



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Woodstock Bowling Club Luncheon \$25 per head Bookings by 1st November Phone 6345 0307 after 4.30pm

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### **NEXT MEETING**

#### **Sunday 27th October 2024**

at Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall 2pm

