COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL and P&C NEWSLETTER 21 June 2019



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Ms Mary Doolan Relieving Principal's Report



As the pages within will attest, Term 2 has been a busy one! Our Athletics Carnival was a fabulous day thanks to the smooth planning of Mr Cousens and Miss Benson; thank you! A huge congratulations to our champion house Tibuc, ably led by Hannah Deshon and Racheal Barron. Tibuc's culture of strong participation secured their success on the day!

A shout out also to Lachlan Eshman (Year 10) and Annabelle Shannon (Year 11) who have been selected, from an extensive and highly competitive field to represent our school at Secretary for a Day. Lachlan and Annabelle will be guests of the Department of Education at their new Parramatta headquarters in Term 3, and will get to experience the inner workings of the world's second largest education system. Well done to Annabelle and Lachlan on being chosen.

And on the subject of congratulations our school's Science and Engineering Challenge team, led by Miss Moore, were again winners in Narrabri. We wish them well for their future challenge in Newcastle.

My thanks to Mrs Maleisah Eshman (Team Manager), Duncan Graham and Kylie Deshon for their commitment to this year's highly successful North West Equestrian Expo. Once again our team of equestrians displayed their strong horsemanship skills and were fine ambassadors for our school.

Year 12 are coming to the pointy end of their studies. This year their Trial HSC Examinations will occur at the conclusion of Term 2, weeks 9 and 10, rather than midway through Term 3 as in previous years. This is due to the change to the New South Wales Educational Standards Authority's assessment rules which have reduced the number of assessments for senior students and limited formal examinations to one only per subject. We believe that the timing of the Trials will be a positive support to our Year 12 students. Firstly, it will allow ample time for teachers and students to work together in Term 3 to target any areas of need, in the lead up to the HSC Examinations in Term 4, and secondly, by allowing for a bank of assessments post the Trials, it will support enhanced student engagement and attendance in Term 3. Additionally, the fact that the Trials conclude at the end of Term 2 will give our Year 12 students a great opportunity to relax and rejuvenate over the holiday period. Our best wishes are extended to Year 12 for these examinations.



We are looking forward to our special NAIDOC celebration on the final day of term. I am grateful to our fantastic AEO Alison Stanton and Mr Craig Ashby for their careful planning of this event. A highlight will be our inaugural Uncle Bill Robinson NAIDOC Challenge which will be an Oz Tag Competition between our sporting houses.

Parent and Carers are welcome to attend our NAIDOC Formal Assembly on 5 July at 12pm and thereafter to be our guests at a BBQ lunch. If you are able to attend please RSVP to the school by Monday 1 July 2019 for catering purposes.

Hoping to see some new faces at our next P&C Meeting on Monday 24 June at 5.30pm in our Library. Our P&C did a fabulous job running 'The Hut' at Expo and my thanks to all who worked hard to support this venture and through it, our school.

Finally, after a productive Term 2, on behalf of staff, our best wishes to all students and their families for a safe and restorative holiday. School will resume for all students on day one of Term 3 (Monday 22 July). Our Term 3 Staff Development Day which will be a Pupil Free Day, will take place, mid-term, on Friday 30 August, to facilitate staff professional learning.

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P&C President's Report

"The Hut" Canteen at the NW Equestrian EXPO, traditionally our biggest fundraiser for the year is behind us. We tried a few new things this year and will look to improve again next year. Thank you to everyone who helped make the canteen a success, with special thanks to:

- Ansie who was the driving force behind organising everything in the weeks that led to the event and managed the canteen for 6 days
- Sue, Trish and Di who worked behind the scenes to prepare some of the food that was served over the 5 days and worked with Ansie to ensure our success
- To the people who donated food and money and volunteered their time to help us raise funds for our projects
- Within the community Pursehouse Rural donated the use of a cool room for 6 days, and Woolworths donated money to purchase supplies.

We welcome all new members to join our P&C to bring new ideas and participate in the school community. *Karine Williams*

Dear Parents and Carers Re: Change of Date for Term 3 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

Just a reminder that school will resume in Term 3 for all students on Monday 22 July. We have moved our pupil free day to Friday 30 August to facilitate whole staff training. Accordingly, students will not attend school on 30 August and the buses will not run to Coonabarabran High on that day. Yours sincerely

Ms M Doolan Relieving Principal



COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL P&C TREASURER'S REPORT April 2019

OPENING BALANCE

\$9,405.46

\$430.00 \$1,000.00

Total

EXPENSES Float

Horse Expo

INCOME	
Memberships	\$0.00
Float Repay	\$430.00
Cherry Drive	\$0.00
Dark Sky Feast	\$1,644.65
Horse Expo	\$0.00

Total

CLOSING BALANCE

Profit (Loss) for April

Profit (Loss) for 2019

Dark Sky Feast	
Income	\$1,644.65
Less expenses:	
Bakery account	-\$75.00
E. Brocklehurst	-41.50
S. Turner	-68.76
D. & M. Graham	-245.53
Net Income Dark Sky Feast	\$1,213.86

\$1,430.00

\$2,074.65

\$10,050.11

\$644.65

\$756.65

Coonabarabran High School P&C Meeting Meeting 20 May 2019

Welcome:

Meeting Opened 5:35 pm

Attendance (as per attendance book)

Present: Sue Hincks, Semret Goitem, Karine Williams, Stephen Turner, Mary Doolan, Duncan Graham, Skye Lambert

Apologies: Merril Sana, Gary Erickson

Motion: The apologies be accepted.						
Moved:	Sue	Seconded:	Semret	Carried:	Yes	

Previous Minutes:

Moved:	Semret	Seconded:	Sue	Carried:	Yes
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Guest Speaker / Special Notices

Correspondence

In:

1.

Out:

- 1. Condolence Card to Kellie Nash
- 2. Letter to Pony Club re hire of the hut and associated correspondence
- 3. Letter to Woolworths re donation

Motion that the Correspondence be accepted.

Moved:	Skye	Seconded:	Ansie	Carried:	Yes	
Reports						

President's Report (optional)

As published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report

- M&D Doolan to be reimbursed
- Simone estimates approx \$200 not yet provide receipts
- Steve reimbursed

Motion: The treasurers report be accepted

Moved: Skye Seconded: Sue Carried: Carried
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Canteen Report

Going well

Motion: The Canteen Report be accepted.

Moved:	Mary	Seconded:	Duncan	Carried:	Yes	

Principal's Report and

- PBL update Respect, Resilience, Excellence and Universal Matrix
- School Jackets endorsed by the P7C
- Friday Tutor Groups Friendships growing slowly, leadership emerging
- Music concert end of last term
- Moorambilla workshops for students and Friday concert request for P&C to contribute discussed in general business.
- Feast of words community dinner highlight
- Year 12 half yearlies

Coonabarabran High School P&C Meeting Meeting 20 May 2019

Deputy Principal's Report

- Tues Fri Naplan, eel smooth
- Athletic Carnival 11 and 12 June
- Yr 12 distance ed lectures
- Do P&C note submission
- Design car park in newsletter

General Business:

- On the 8th April a special meeting held to discuss preparations for the operation of the hut for the Northwest equestrian expo in June. Present were Karine Williams, Gary Erickson, Ansie Van Schalkwyk, Sue Hincks, Trish Watson, and Semret Goitem.
 - a. Motion to make funds available for purchase of Woolworths gift cards, in order to stock the hut with suitable drinks and other supplies
 - b. Moved Gary, Seconded Sue, Carried
- Other items discussed were the cost of hiring the hut and payment of monies to suppliers for the feast at the dark sky party
- 3. Update on NW Expo
 - a. Hut fees reduced to \$50 per day
 - b. One banner ordered to make the Hut more visible showed the artwork (\$235)
 - c. Menu's printed and included in the packs for all participants
 - d. This year offered pre-ordered dinner menus for participants to date not uptake
 - e. In addition to the normal canteen we have 3 orders placed for refreshments for the officials for expo
 - f. Woolies donation update
 - g. Meetings with Rebecca Moran x 2 and meeting with Rotary
 - h. To Resolve
 - i. Ask Mary for tables/chairs and schoool Marquee and if delivery is possible
 - Kevin will do
 - ii. Discuss fire pit
 - iii. Additional help with baking needed
 - iv. Volunteers -for all day Mon Tues
 - v. Button on website
- Dark Sky event
 - a. Receipts outstanding
 - b. Thank you's
- 5. Eftpos at hut for Sue
- 6. Dark Sky Learning
 - a. Keep international food separate from Dark sky catering
 - b. Still cater for dark sky but not save food
 - c. International Dark Sky attracts people
 - d. Plan to be annual event

Date of Next Meeting 5:30 pm 24 June 2019 (High School Library) Meeting Closed 7:10 pm

Speed limit for vehicles on school grounds

Please be advised that in line with Department of Education policy, the maximum speed limit on all school grounds is 10km/hour. The safety of all members of our school community is paramount.

SORRY DAY 2019



On Monday 27 May 2019 our Indigenous students participated at the community's annual Sorry Day. We met at the local tennis courts with other schools, community agencies and Indigenous community members. We marched across Mary Jane Cain Bridge and then to the Town Hall for the official proceedings. Our School Captain Kiara Hawkins addressed the community with her speech on Sorry Day and what it means for our Indigenous community.

We would like to thank the Coonabarabran Local Lands Council for letting us be part of the Sorry Day Ceremony.

Year 12 Formal Fundraiser

Year 12 would like to say a massive thank you to all staff and community members who supported our formal fundraiser! We had a huge amount of quality clothing donated to our vintage clothing sale. The Coonabarabran community (and their furry friends) came along on Saturday 25th May and helped us raise money to enable our formal to happen. The morning was a success!

Biggest Morning Tea



Coonabarabran High School has again supported Biggest Morning Tea this year raising \$324. Whilst it is a team effort, Mrs Annette Adam has set the benchmark in food standard and presentation since its inception. Coonabarabran High School has raised more than \$15000 over the years Annette has been involved in this event. While we have been lucky enough to have coffee and hot chocolate made to order in the past, the common theme each year has been magnificent food that is beautifully presented, enticing and tasty. We acknowledge Annette's huge contribution to this cause.



Another successful EXPO!



Heritage and identity in Aboriginal students

In Aboriginal Studies, students have been reflecting on the notion of Culture, and what it means to them. Year 12 student, Joel Thompson has taken the featured images as part of his HSC Major Work based on the topic 'Heritage and Identity'. His photographic installation is titled: *Empowering Cultural Identity, Unity in Diversity.* - The images are all of CHS Aboriginal Students. Joel will also be asking non-Indigenous students and teachers to get involved and to be included in the installation for our school's NAIDOC Day celebration on 5 July.

Jayden Moore Gamilaraay/Wiradjuri

> "Culture is important to me. am living and breathing it"



"Culture connects us past and Ancestors'

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Roman Kershaw Gamilaraay

Culture is everything" It is in the sky, the land and water"



Music Skills Workshop Day and Concert

On Friday 17 May the second Music Skills Workshop Day and Concert were held at Coonabarabran High School. For this event, various musicians visited the school and ran workshops with small groups of students to help them learn new musical skills and develop their existing techniques.

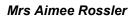
David Henry, a professional trombone player from Sydney, ran some brass workshops via Skype. He worked with three school students (Caleb Smith, Alexander McWhirter and Lachlan Eshman) individually before conducting a group session. The three students workshopped a brass trio and performed this piece at the concert in the evening.

Paul Armstrong ran guitar workshops for the guitarists in Years 9, 10 and 11, as well as a beginner guitar group with some younger students. Paul furthermore worked with one of the school's bass guitarists. The Year 9 to 11 guitarists all rehearsed and workshopped a piece called *Nothing Else Matters* and this piece also featured in the concert that night.

Mr James Moffatt worked with a group of 13 students and taught them drumming techniques in a very dynamic and engaging workshop.

Ex-student Annie McKinnon visited all the way from Sydney. She ran composition/song writing workshops with the Year 9/10 and later the Year 11 Music students. Annie played some of her songs to students and engaged the Year 9/10 students in some "one-note" performances as well as rhythmic compositions. She worked with the Year 11 students on writing a chord progression as a starting point for a song. Students joined in by playing guitar and piano and, together with her, created some chords for a song. In the last session, Annie spoke to the Year 12 Music, D&T, Art and Photography students about some of her installations and portfolio work.

Jenny Binovec, the assistant director of the Riverina Conservatorium, ran workshops with clarinet, saxophone and flute students. She worked with these students in small groups. Jenny then workshopped two woodwind ensemble pieces with the students, which they performed at the concert. Jenny also worked with the school's Jazz Band during the last session. In the evening, the presenters and music students performed in a music concert. Thirty-four students performed to a large audience. The guitar ensemble, brass trio, woodwind ensemble and jazz band performed pieces they had workshopped during the Music Skills Day. Other performances featured the school choir, the Year 12 Music students, solos by Milly Smith, Liam Russell, Angus Lambert (with Mr Paul Armstrong) and Lachlan Meier, as well as a group item by Liam, Angus and Jayden Moore. Paul Armstrong, Jenny Binovec and Annie McKinnon also entertained the students and audience members with some stunning performances. A very big thank you goes to all of these presenters for taking time out of very busy schedules to work with the students of Coonabarabran High School and for their beautiful performances. The students benefited a lot from these sessions and learnt many new skills. We hope to see them again soon!!





ANU STEM Engagement Day

During the last week of Term 1, a group of Year 9 and Year 10 students from Coonabarabran High School attended the ANU STEM Engagement day held at the AAO.

Students participated in three activities throughout the day. The first was the Solar Viewing through specialist telescopes, the second activity investigated electrical circuits and solar power, and the third session was presented by the rural health clinic and was about the transfer of germs and the variety of allied health services available.

The students had a fantastic time and received a lovely complimentary bag of goodies from ANU, as did the teachers.

Many thanks to Mr Nott for stepping in as our driver on the day.

Maleisah Eshman



Mock Trial



On Tuesday 18 June, the Coonabarabran High School mock trial team travelled to Dubbo to compete in the final round robin trial against St Mary's Catholic School Wellington. Taking the role of the prosecution in an Arson case, the team conducted all elements of the trial including witnesses giving evidence, Court staff fulfilling their legal functions, and the Barristers and Solicitors arguing the case. While the team were unsuccessful in obtaining a conviction, they won the case on points against a talented and sophisticated opposition. The Coonabarabran team has now been ranked 25th in the state and will now progress to the elimination rounds of the competition.

Michael Armstrong

Industrial Tech ingenuity



This is Mr Stewart's Industrial Tech Wood class - they have made their own tools for cooking. Check out the inlay designs on their rolling pins. Awesome effort! Mr Stewart put them to work using their rolling pins - what a great thing to see the boys making pizzas using equipment they have made!

Their pizzas aren't bad either.

CHS students participate in Science competition



On Tuesday 18 June, five Year 11 Chemistry students from CHS travelled to Quirindi High School to take part in a state wide science competition, the NSW Schools Titration Competition.

This is the first time students from CHS have participated in the competition. The annual competition saw our two teams take out 3rd and 6th places, which is a highly commendable effort given that the competition from other schools was fierce. In particular, one of our students, Daniel Dicks, achieved the best individual score. His calculations showed a concentration of 0.0987 whereas the official concentration was 0.0984, a very accurate attempt.

The competition sees teams of three completing chemical experiments and calculations within 90 minutes, with the aim of ascertaining the unknown concentration of a particular chemical.

The head teacher of Science from Quirindi High School, Mr Peter Roberts, said afterwards "All teams performed at a high standard today, which shows their resilience and their ability to be challenged."

Also present on the day was a reporter and film crew from NBN news—

https://www.nbnnews.com.au/2019/06/18/ruralstudents-participate-in-science-comp/

Hugh Deasey

Next P&C Association Meeting will be held Monday 24 June 5:30pm School Library ALL WELCOME

Coona Open Girls' Softball

A Force Awakens...



It was a very exciting day for the Coonabarabran Open Girls' Softball Team making the Grand Final of the North West Knock Out competition for the first time in years (if ever). The Gala Day was held in Narrabri with teams competing from Tamworth High, Narrabri High and Peel High. The girls played with elegance, beautiful sportsmanship and Coona pride. Their first game against Narrabri saw some fantastic pitching, double plays, energetic base running and many safe hits from all of the girls. The Coona team continued their batting spree in the Grand Final against Peel's North West representative pitchers; their speed and accuracy wasn't anywhere near enough to faze our girls. All of the Coona girls were amazing but a special mention is required to our own North West representatives, Maddie "home run special" Heywood and Hannah "Double Play" Meier and a big thank you to Mrs Ranken and Mrs Rice for all of their support on the day.

On Friday 14 June, 29 Coonabarabran High students set of for the Annual North West Cross Country. This year there was a change of venue and instead of heading to Coolah, we were off to Mullaley. The students were all keen to take a look at the course on the walk through and most approved, as it did not have a "Heartbreak Hill," as the Coolah course has. Coonabarabran High had an excellent year, with all students achieving beyond their means and 11 runners qualifying for the CHS Titles in Sydney on 26 July. They are:

- 1st Harry Willoughby 3rd Jacob Baker, Clar
- 3rd Jacob Baker, Claudia Eastburn, Octavia Whale
- 4th Dustyn Owers, Charlie Selmes
- 5th Darcy Weatherall, Connor Hughes
- 6th Callum Wham, Rachael Evans, Luke Bonello

North West Cross Country



Athletics Carnival 2019



We congratulate all students who entered any event and wish good luck to those who will go onto represent our school at the North West Carnival in Tamworth on Friday 2 August.

The Annual Coonabarabran High Athletics carnival was held on Tuesday 11 and Wednesday the 12 June in glorious sunny winter conditions. The students who participated were full of positive energy, urging each other on to do their best for their house. The conditions were great which was reflected in the number of **records broken:**

Kurt Rutter 13yrs Javelin 31.20 Charlotte Thompson 13yrs Javelin 19.85 Madison Heywood 16yrs Javelin 25.23 Shae Davis 15yrs Shot Put 9.70 Willmie Van Schalkwyk 16yrs Shot Put 9.37

There were many tight contests during the day making the age champions highly contested. The eventual winners were:

12yrs	Matilda Pickette	Jacob Baker
13yrs	Shae Boyd	Kurt Rutter
14yrs	Amelia Hadfield	Declan Eshman
15yrs	Amarlee Vallette	Alex Robinson
16yrs	Melinda Ryan	Lachlan Eshman
Senior	Octavia Whale	Connor Hughes

The house points had a clear winner due to the dedication of some hard working house captains who rallied their troops to squeeze the maximum out of entry points.

4th Mopra, 3rd Timor, 2nd Nandi, 1st Tibuc.



Age Champions 2019 (L to R): Connor Hughes, Amarlee Vallette, Octavia Whale, Melinda Ryan, Lachlan Eshman, Alex Robinson, Declan Eshman, Amelia Hadfield, Kurt Rutter, Shae Boyd, Matilda Pickette, Jacob Baker.



Breakfast	Cost
Fresh fruit in season	\$1.00
Bacon or Egg Muffin	\$2.00
Bacon & Egg Muffin	\$3.00
Toast (2 pieces) plain or raisin	\$1.00
Hot chocolate Small	\$3.00
Large	\$4.00
Muesli & Yoghurt with fruit	\$3.50
Hot Food	
Those marked with * available lun only—Please Order	
*Honey Soy Chicken & fried rice GF	\$5.50
(2 drumsticks)	
*Fried Rice	\$4.00
*Hamburger	\$5.00
*Chicken Burger	\$5.00
* with salad	\$5.50
*Curried Chicken & rice GF	\$5.00
Pasta with Homemade tomato sauce	\$2.50
*Spaghetti Bolognaise-Homemade	\$4.50
Year 12 burger	\$4.50
* With salad	\$5.00
*McFoz Wrap - chicken chilli tender,	
lettuce,tomato,cheese, chilli sauce	\$4.50
*The Greenie Wrap	\$5.00
Meat pie	\$4.00
Sausage roll	\$3.00
Mini Pizza	\$1.50
Chicken chilli tenders (individual)	\$1.50
Soup with bun	\$5.00
(Pumpkin, Minestrone, Chicken & Co	
Mini Taco Cup	\$1.50
Drinks	φ1.50
Water	\$2.00
Fruit juices (small)	\$1.50
Daily Juice	\$2.50
Small flavoured milk	\$3.00
Large flavoured milk	\$4.00
Ice creams & Ice blocks prices	Varied





Salads (Please Order)

*Salad with Chicken/Salr	non/Beef	GF	\$5.00
*Chicken Caesar salad	Large		\$5.00
	Small		\$3.50
*Homemade Quiche & S	alad		\$5.50
*Homemade Frittata & Sa	alad 🤇	SF	\$5.50

Sandwiches/Rolls/Wraps (Please Order)

\$4.00
\$4.00
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\$3.50
chilli,
\$5.00

OR SUGGEST YOUR OWN

Gourmet Baguettes [Baked Daily] (Please Order) ALL \$5.00 .Turkey, cranberry, swiss cheese, avocado .Roast Beef, chutney, cheese, salad .SOA [Sandwich of Awesomeness] Chicken, sun dried tomato, fetta, capsicum .Chicken, avocado, mustard mayonnaise .Chicken Caesar chicken, tomato, bacon, cheese, parmesan & caesar dressing All Served with salad greens .Chicken Salsa, bacon, salsa, cheese, sour cream—served warm

Snacks (subject to availability)	
Watermelon Tubs/ Fruit salad	\$3.50
Red Rock Deli Chips	\$1.00
Grain Waves	\$1.00
Blueberry or Apple Muffin	\$1.50

* Gluten Free

Requests Taken!



Please order to guarantee your choice! CHECK POSTERS AT THE FRONT OF THE CANTEEN FOR WEEKLY SPECIALS

