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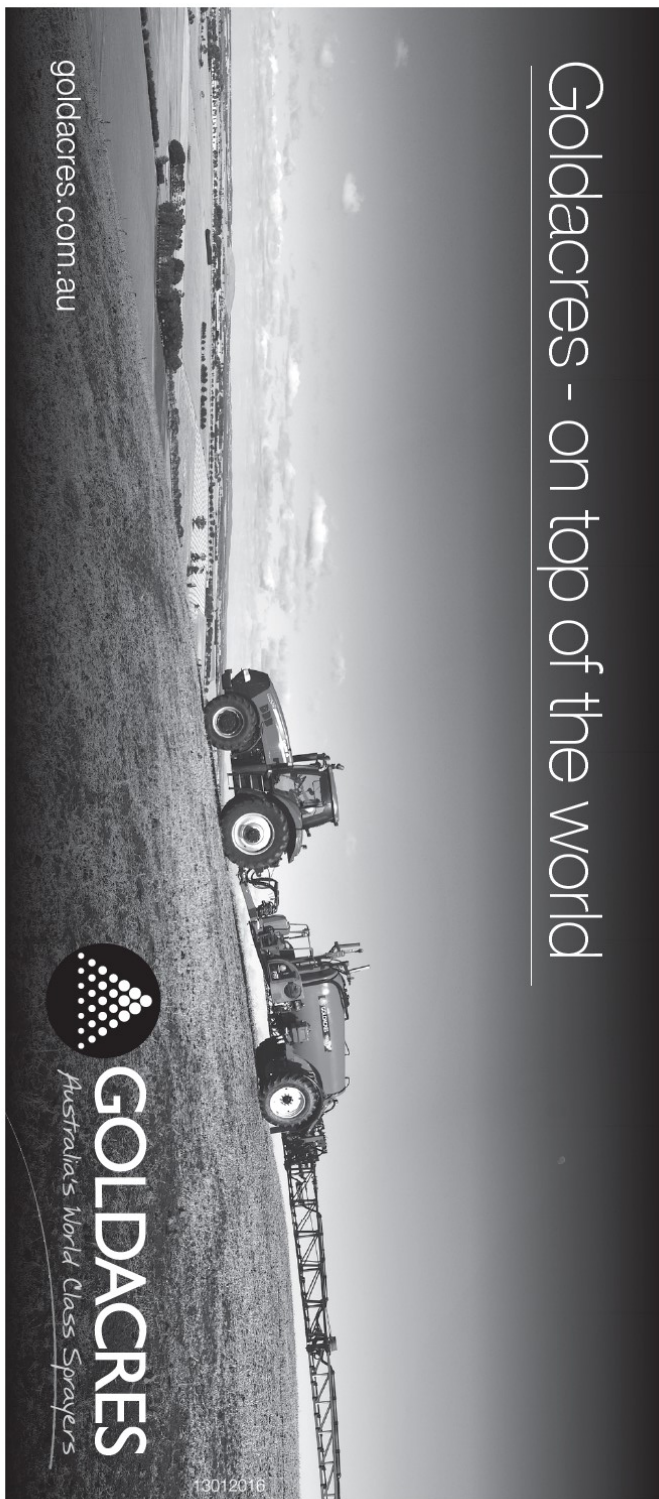
Summer rolls on - soon to splinter and disperse into Autumn. For those up early enough, the past couple of weeks have felt like early Autumn - a dew on the ground, 14 to 20 degrees, very pleasant. Summer has really been very kind to us this season. A little muggy but we have missed the real extreme heat.

There has been plenty of activity around the region with more to come. The Berrigan Sporties Show and Shine was a huge success both in the number of vehicles present and people attending. A big thank you to the organising committee.

Of more significance and long term impact will be the proposed shire amalgamations. It would appear that the smallest shire (by population base) will disappear into the Corowa Shire - no more Urana Shire Council. Of greater concern to the Berrigan area is the future of the Jerilderie Shire area and particularly Jerilderie township itself. Jerilderie Shire is currently by population base NSW second smallest council. To have shire amalgamation is painful enough to swallow but to amalgamate and achieve no significant benefit is madness. Jerilderie desires every opportunity of proving that it has a sustainable future. For Finley, Tocumwal, Barooga and Berrigan having a weaker Jerilderie township is of no long term benefit. I believe we will need to pitch in and help - talk to your Jerilderie friends for updates.

Cheers and good health

John P Lane
Managing Director



Goldacres - on top of the world

CHINESE NEW YEAR

This years Chinese New Year is Monday 8th February. Chinese celebrations for the new year all around the world include; Street festivals with art, entertainment and children's activities. Markets with arts, crafts and food stalls. Dancing with music and colorful costumes. Vibrant displays of Chinese lanterns, firecrackers and fire works. It is also believed that red symbolizes happiness, good luck, success and good fortune.



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This Year is the Year of the MONKEY!

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S GAMES

On the 10th of July 2016 Athletes will be flying out of Melbourne to represent the Berrigan Shire in New Taipei City, Taiwan at the 50th International Children's Games (ICG). The ICG are part of the Olympic movement and involves athletes aged from 12 to 15 years of age in the year of competition, and is held every year by host Cities for both Summer and Winter games. The Berrigan Shire became involved with the ICG when we were invited to Lake Macquarie for the 48th Summer Games in 2014 it was the first time in the history of the games for them to be held in the southern hemisphere and we had a team of 12 athletes competing, 8 Swimmers and 4 Athletes, 2 Coaches a Head of Delegation and a Council representative. All the athletes had a fantastic time and there were many PB's done both in the pool and on the track and a lot of pins exchanged and some foreign words learnt. After so much positive feedback from Lake Macquarie a decision was made that it could be possible to support a team every 2nd year of competition.

This year our team will comprise of 9 Swimmers, 9 Athletes and 2 Tennis players, their Coaches and the Head of Delegation who are heavily into fundraising at the moment to raise the funds for their sporting and cultural adventure.

There is a major raffle of a \$1500.00 Beta Home Living voucher kindly donated by Beta Home Living in Finley with a 2nd prize of a \$500.00 Beta Electrical voucher which will be drawn on the 20th of February at the Finley Tractor Pull. They have also been involved in tin rattling at the Tocumwal foreshore markets and selling fruit salad at the big breakfast and at the Finley farmers market. There are plans for a second raffle for a side of Beef which will be drawn at a Trivia night to be held in May. There has been a lot of support from many of the local businesses and community groups and if everything works out well- look out Jerusalem in 2018!!



NEW TAIPEI CITY 2016

Bringing Up Great Kids

This is a 6 session course which is being held at the Berrigan Library from Wednesday the 3rd February 2016 to Wednesday 9th March 2016 and runs from 10am to 12pm. The Bringing up great kids program is an interesting and interactive parenting program that focuses on how parents communicate with their children and has been especially designed for busy parents. The course is designed to reflect on parents own parenting experiences and how parents communicate with their children, Understand how children use messages from their parents in their development and is especially suitable for parents/ caregivers with children aged 0-12 years.

Light refreshments provided on days.

Contact the **Berrigan Library on (03) 58888 5180** for more info.



CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

30 million cans and bottles are littered or landfilled every day! They end up in our streets, parks and most often, our beaches and oceans. After decades campaigning we have been promised Cash for Containers in NSW, and if it happens here, QLD can follow, meaning 1 in 2 Australians could soon have access to Cash for Containers. Australia would be rewarded for recycling 80% of our bottles and can trash would be recycled instead of thrown or into landfill. Your signature is needed if you also want to make it happen. Visit boomerangalliance.org.au to join the campaign and show your support.

Youth frontier program

In 2016 Youth Frontiers is holding a mentoring program to help change the life of a young person. It is designed for young people in school years 8-9 and is an initiative of the NSW Department of Family and Community Services.

We are looking for mentors within the community that would be willing to spend 1hr a week with a young person that would benefit from having a positive role model in their lives. Mentors do not need to be from a particular profession or anything, more about someone to listen, offer new opinions and show up when they say they are going to show up.

Finley High is in one of the regions the Youth Frontier program will be working with. Its involves small projects of the mentees choosing. The mentoring is to take place at school ideally at the same time every week but we are flexible around peoples schedule. For more information please contact Julie Koorey on 0434730989 or email: j.koorey@octec.org.au

Raffle Tickets

In-store now are raffle tickets being sold for the Albury Wodonga River Classic. Tickets cost \$5, and go towards a chance to win an Engel Fridge/Freezer package.

COMMUNITY ORGANISATION— CWA

The Country Women's Association of NSW is an organisation for women of all ages to bring them together. Anyone wishing to join is able to no matter where you are from. The ladies in Berrigan meet on the 3rd Monday of every month at 2pm. They currently have 22 members.

- Kate Hawkins is the President
- Jenny Coldwell is the Secretary
- Adele Schweicker is the Treasurer
- Beth Rendell is in charge of Publicity

The association aims to bring all women and families together and form a network of support. They support schemes, encourage development and provide a voice to the Government.

A lot of the associations fundraising goes toward supporting other organisations including: Ambulance and Child Flight Helicopter services, The Royal Flying Doctor Service, The Royal Far West Children's Health Scheme, the Cancer Council, Programs for Homeless Youths and Life Education Programs .

The CWA is currently working with the Rape And Domestic Violence Services Australia to hold a **FREE forum** in Berrigan at the **CWA hall on Friday 4th March 2016**. This forum goes from 9am to 5pm with the ladies from the CWA providing refreshments. If you are interested in attending please RSVP by 22nd February by email via rsvp@rape-dvservices.org.au or by phone on (02) 8585 0333.

They also hold an International Day for the school children. Each year their head office picks a different country and the ladies set a project for the school children to find out some interesting things about that country. The kids come down and present their projects to the ladies, who in turn provide a meal for the students from that country. This year the country is Mongolia.

The ladies do a lot of great things in support of our community thank you for all of your work over the years!

If you are interested in joining this fantastic organization please contact Kate Hawkins on (03) 5885 2590.

OAKLANDS TRUCK SHOW

It's nearly time for the Annual Oaklands Truck Show again. **Saturday 19th - Sunday 20th March.**

Saturday evening—BBQ and Bar, and the ever popular 'Lights on the Hill' Competition. Sunday is Show Day—featuring a Show and Shine. There will also be many stalls, raffles, actions and activities for the kids.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

February

Sat 20th	Tocumwal Farmers Markets Finley Tractor Pull
Sun 21st	Cystic Fibrosis Show and Shine Finley
Sat 27th-Sun 28th	Urana Campdraft
Sun 28th	Family Fun Day, Finley

March

Fri 4th	EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH CWA Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Professional Development Forum
Sat 5th	Albury—Wodonga River Classic
Sun 6th	Jerilderie Billabong Bog Run Clean Up Australia Day
Fri 18-Sun 20th	Four Creeks Festival, Jerilderie
Sat 19th	Berrigan Races—Finley Autumn Cup Dilliwarrarh Dice Run
Sat 19-Sun 20th	Morundah Team Yarding Event Oaklands Truck Show
Fri 25th	Jerilderie 'Good Friday Appeal' Golf Day
Sat 26th	Purple Day—Purple with Purpose Epilepsy Awareness Tocumwal Cup Day
Sun 27th	Easter Sunday
Mon 28th	Easter Monday
Wed 30th	Ned Kelly Show & Shine

New Product In-store

Now in store are Lithium Batteries. They are in stock for AA, AAA and 9 volt. They are longer lasting and the 9 volt is great for smoke detectors. These batteries are not rechargeable.

Dawmac Trading Hours FEBRUARY 2016

Monday to Friday	7:30am to 6 pm
Saturday	8:00 am to 12:30 pm
Sunday	CLOSED