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## Warialda High School Newsletter

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### Nicola is a Finalist

We are thrilled to share that Nicola Briggs is a 2022 NSW Training Awards New England Region finalist. Nicola is completing a School Based Cert III in Education Support and completing her traineeship at Moree East Public School via an Elsa Dixon Program scholarship. Congratulations to Nicola and we wish her the best of luck!

### Open Girls & Boys Touch Football Teams

After their successful day at the gala day in Walgett last term both open's teams headed to Quirindi for the North West semi-finals. Boy's lost 4-0 to a polished Quirindi High School unit. The girls had a convincing 11-2 win against Coonamble High School. They now play Inverell High School in the North West Region final next week.



### Dates to remember.....

- Fri 20 May - Cross Country
- Tue 24 May - CHS Girl's Soccer
- Thu 2 June - All Schools Cup Netball

- Fri 3 June - Annual Athletics Carnival
- Thu 9 June - Ag Careers Expo Tamworth
- Sat 30 July - 50 Years Celebrations

## NSWCHS Camp 1

Last weekend, 4 students, Liliana Reardon, Leilani Tevaga, Os van Veltuizen and Rowdy Laidlaw-Hodge made the trip to Sydney with Mr Beattie to attend the 1st NSWCHS rugby camp of this year's program. In wet and trying conditions the boys and girls worked on their skills and processes while being introduced to new team mates and coaches. The girls are representing the u18 sevens girls and the boys are both in the NSW 16s, 15 a side team. The camp was held at Endeavour Sports High School and with a number of their fields being closed due to rain, the teams acquired skills on synthetic fields and soggy PE spaces with mud up to their ankles. On Saturday night all the CHS teams made their way to Leichhardt Oval to watch the Super Rugby match between the Waratahs and the Hurricanes. As well as free tickets, the players were treated to an amazing on-field experience watching both teams warming up right in front of them. At halftime, Mr Beattie coached a number of the younger CHS girls playing an Australian emerging 7s side from the bench of the New Zealand side in front of a crowd of 10 000 people. The four students and Mr Beattie are travelling down in another couple of weeks for their next commitment to play their first trial matches against the NSWCCC and NSW Country sides. Good luck!



Leilani and Liliana with Brooke McKinnon (Bingara) showing their support at the Waratahs game.



The Warialda connection



The 4 NW reps muddy and busted after a hard day in the mud. Liliana and Leilani with Brooke McKinnon (Bingara Central) and Martha Harvey (Narrabri High)



Mr Beattie with the halftime side about to run onto Leichhardt Oval



All CHS reps on field before the match (u18 boys and girls and the u16s)



## Stop the spread

Given the recent Covid-19 wave sweeping through Warialda, it is especially important for students not to attend school if they have even the mildest cold or flu symptoms.



## Elevate Study Skills Yr 11

Congratulations to Year 11 who made the most of an extra-curricular learning event. Students spent a lesson with Mrs Pepper, our School Counsellor (Mon/Thurs) who spoke about the importance of **sleep** and her role in the school. In the final lesson of the day, Ben from Elevate delivered an engaging session on how to **study**. The take-home messages students shared about the session included - study is key, trigger words matter, use colour in your notes, refer to syllabus outcomes. Hopefully these tips are put into action and we see goals met in the next assessments.

## Tell them from me survey

The Tell Them From Me student surveys provide schools with perspectives about their engagement and wellbeing. This information is valuable to schools and can be used to identify strengths and successes, as well as areas to target for improvement. The survey works on an opt-out principle, meaning that all students will be participating unless their parents fill out the consent forms to say that their child will not be participating. Optout forms can be found at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/tell-them-from-me/information-for-parents-and-carers>





MYALL CREEK MASSACRE MEMORIAL MAY 2022

# Press Release

Each year hundreds of people from across the country gather on the Sunday of the June long weekend to commemorate the unprovoked massacre of at least twenty-eight Wirrayaraay women, children and old men by a group of stockmen on Myall Creek Station in 1838.

The Myall Creek Memorial on the Bingara-Delungra Road near Inverell, was erected in June 2000 by a group of Aboriginal and non-indigenous people working together in an act of reconciliation. In 2008 the massacre site and Memorial were included on the National Heritage Register and also received NSW state heritage listing in 2010.

Our speaker this year is Mr James Wilson-Miller. From the Gringai Clan of the Wonnarua People, James was born in Redfern and grew up in the Hunter Valley. For 19 years until his retirement he was Curator of Koori History and Culture at the Powerhouse Museum. An experienced educationalist, he has graduate and post-graduate qualifications from the Armidale College of Advanced Education, including a teaching diploma and Graduate Diploma in Educational Studies (Aboriginal Studies). He was a school teacher in Armidale (1983) and a lecturer in the Department of Aboriginal and Multicultural Studies at the Armidale College of Advanced Education and University of New England from 1985 to 1995.

James is a respected Koori historian, researcher and author of the best-selling *Koori: A Will to Win*. Formerly President of the Aboriginal Studies Association and Aboriginal Education Council of NSW, he was awarded the Centenary Federation Medal for his services to the community.

He was involved in early memorial activities commemorating the Myall Creek Massacre and worked with Len Payne, a Bingara resident, on the 150th anniversary of the massacre in 1988. James has a long association with Armidale and surrounding districts. He was a former chairperson of the Tingha Regional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC) Council, committee member of the Armidale Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG), and secretary of the Narwan Aboriginal Rugby League Football Club. James delivered the annual Frank Archibald Memorial Lecture in 2002.

We are delighted Roger Knox, the 'Koori King of Country', and Gomeri man, will also be with us to share songs that honour his people along with the Inverell/Moree Dancers and the Gomeri Dancers.

The annual Memorial Service is open to everyone. Those intending to participate are invited to gather at the Myall Creek Hall by 9.00am Sunday 12 June for morning tea. Lunch will be available for purchase after the ceremony.

**WHAT:** Myall Creek Massacre Memorial Commemoration

**WHEN:** 9.00am Sunday 12th June 2022

**WHERE:** Myall Creek Hall, Reserve Creek Road, Myall Creek then the Myall Creek Massacre Memorial Precinct Bingara-Delungra Road, Bingara

We are conscious COVID regulations relating to public gatherings can necessarily change at short notice. We therefore provide this information on the understanding that we may have to defer/cancel the gathering, but will ensure you are advised immediately of any change in plans.

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## Additional Myall Creek Events

**FRIDAY 10 JUNE 2022 – 2.00PM–4.00PM**

**James Wilson-Miller – Yarning About Truth-Telling – Remembering Myall Creek** in conversation with UNE academic and proud Gomeri woman, Donna Moodie 2.00pm–4.00pm. Kindly facilitated by the University of New England (UNE), Armidale



This event will be live at Ooralá Aboriginal Centre and live-streamed via Zoom. No registration required.

**RSVP for catering purposes to: [tcullen6@une.edu.au](mailto:tcullen6@une.edu.au)**

**SATURDAY 11 JUNE 2022 – 3.00PM–5.00PM**

**'Myall Creek Rocks the Roxy' Community Concert**

Performers will include Junk Sculpture Junior, Roger Knox and the Inverell/Moree Dancers.



3.00pm–5.00pm. Roxy Theatre, Maitland Street Bingara.

For tickets go to <https://www.trybooking.com/BZONK> or directly from the Bingara Tourist Information Centre.

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL – no tickets at the door.**



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