TRIATHLON

On Saturday, 22nd March, the NBN Inverell Triathlon was held. Several categories, including individual men’s and women’s events and teams events, were run.

Jesse Rollinson from Ashford Central participated in the event. He was in a team with ex Ashford Central student Todd Currell, who completed the swim leg, Leigh Alexander, bike leg, and Jesse completed the run.

The team performed extremely well and Jesse had a great run to place the team second overall in the teams’ category.

Congratulations!
**School Dates - Term 1**
- 10th April - Cross country carnival
- 11th April - Last day Term 1
- 28th April - School Development Day
- 29th April - Students return for Term 2
- 16th May - Athletics carnival

**FOUND**
A girl’s ring has been handed in to the front office. The ring was found in the playground. To claim this ring simply describe it to a member of staff and it is yours.

**Newcastle Rugby League Trip**
13s Jye Lavender & Matthew Minos
15s Darryl Morgan
16s Dylan Corbett & Adam Press.

On Monday, five of our rugby league players were given the opportunity to compete against Hunter Sports High School in a combined team from Inverell High, Macintyre High and Holy Trinity.

As the age division rose so did the size of the Newcastle boys. Our boys managed to post tries in all games bar one which I believe to be a fair effort. All games were won by Hunter convincingly.

But, to our credit, they didn’t get it all their own way. The experience for our students to be involved with quality players at the next level is hugely beneficial.

We would like to thank the Knights for their sponsorship of the tickets to the main game, Hunter Sports High for the accommodation and hospitality and Peter Dal Santo for his organisation.

I am proud to say, once again, it is a pleasure to go away with our students. The comments from other teachers were very flattering.

**ESSA - Essential Secondary Science Assessment 2013**
Students in Year 9 will have their ESSA results sent home this week from the exam they sat in late 2013. Once again the results were excellent with students receiving very good results. The school was above the state and regional average overall. Students were at or above state average in Extended Response, Knowing and understanding and working scientifically.

Your child’s results should arrive home this week, if you have any questions please contact Mr Smith at school.

**Science Competition**
Entries for the 2014, ICAS Science competition are now open for students from Year 3 to Year 12. Cost is $8.00 which can be paid at the front office. Entries close on the 7th of May next term. The actual exam date is the 4th of June.

**Touch Football Representatives**
Recently, several Ashford students attended the Zone touch football trials in Inverell. This year the standard of the players was very high, which made the selection process very difficult. The students from our school did extremely well, with Rahni Kelly and Darryl Morgan making selection into the New England zone representative teams.

The two students then attended the North West trials, were Rahni made it into the possibles Vs probables selection. Both students, unfortunately, were not selected in the North West team, however, their previous achievement is to be congratulated.
PRIMARY SPORT

REGIONAL (NORTHERN) TRIALS
Joe Luckett, who was selected for the Zone 11s rugby league team, will play in the Northern Trials to be held in Armidale on 1 April. Good luck Joe!

NETBALL
The Department of Education and Communities, Sport and Recreation Division, ran netball clinics for students in Years 3-6 on Thursday, 27 March. Students learnt the different netball passes, practised goal shooting and had great fun playing a mini game.

ZONE TOUCH TRIALS
Nine students in Years 5&6 will be trying out for the Zone touch team on Friday, 4 April in Inverell. Good luck to all the girls and boys who are going.

CROSS COUNTRY
Just a reminder that our school cross country carnival will be held next Thursday, 10 April.
Thought For The Week
Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

Ashford Bushfire Brigade
Next meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, 9th April, 2014, 7.30pm at the fire station. All members are asked to attend.

Bonshaw CWA
April meeting 10.00 am on Wednesday, 9th April at the Bonshaw Memorial Hall. All welcome.

In Loving Memory of Roy Kippax

Ashford Roosters’ RLFC
**General Meeting**
The next meeting of the Ashford Roosters’ Rugby League Football Club will be held on **MONDAY**, 7th April, 2014 at 7.00pm. The meeting will be held at the Ashford Memorial Bowling Club.

ASHFORD WOMEN'S BOWLING CLUB
**ATTENTION:** Ladies PLEASE NOTE there is NO April meeting. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 30th April, 2014 at 4.30 pm. It will be held **BEFORE** we set the tables up for our President's Day. The meeting will count for our May meeting.
ASHFORD MEMORIAL BOWLING CLUB
FRIDAY, 4th April, 2014.

Lucky Member’s Draw $280.00 drawn 8:30pm
Progressive Members’ Draw starts 7.15pm @ $20. If not won increases by $10.00 every 15 minutes till 8.00pm.

Meat tray raffles starting at 6.30pm.
Saturday, 5th April, 2014
Euchre 2.00pm start
Social Bowls: Wednesday, 2nd April, 6.00pm start
Sunday, 6th April, 3.00pm start
Happy Hour: Fridays 8.30 - 9.30pm

CATERING ON FRIDAY NIGHT
6.30–8.30pm • Bookings desirable
Phone 67254202
Catering available on alternative days for private functions. Minimum 20 people. Bookings essential.

ASHFORD GOLF CLUB
6th April - Stroke Guyra 4BBB
13th April - Stroke
20th April - Stroke
27th April - Ashford Open 4BBB
4th May - Stroke
11th May - 1st Round Championships
18th May - 2nd Round Championships
25th May - 3rd Round Championships
Please be advised that membership is now due:
Adults $60.00 Juniors $30.00

FOUND
One large white female dog with spots and a brindle patch over her right eye and the top of her tail.
Approximately 18 months old, very quiet and very smart.
You can claim her at “Dirragun” 891 Wallangra Road, Ashford. Phone 67254049

Towns’ Ashford Service Station
27 Duff Street, Ashford NSW 2361
Phone (02) 67254070
BUSINESS SOLD

AFTER 28 YEARS OWNING AND OPERATING THE ASHFORD SERVICE STATION, THE TOWNS’ FAMILY CAN NOW CONFIRM THAT THE BUSINESS HAS BEEN SOLD. THE NEW OWNERS WILL BE TAKING OVER LATER THIS MONTH.

FROM OUR VERY FIRST DAY IN ASHFORD, WE WERE MADE FEEL VERY WELCOME. MY FAMILY HAS MADE MANY FRIENDS IN THIS VILLAGE AND WILL TAKE AWAY MANY MEMORIES SOME GOOD, BAD AND SAD.
ASHFORD HAS BEEN A WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH TO RAISE NATHAN AND GRANT.

I SINCERELY THANK THE ASHFORD COMMUNITY FOR SUPPORTING OUR BUSINESS OVER THE PAST 28 YEARS. THE NEW OWNERS ARE VERY PROFESSIONAL. THEY HAVE MANY IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED FOR THE BUSINESS. THIS WILL BE VERY EXCITING FOR ASHFORD AND WILL DRIVE THE ASHFORD SERVICE STATION INTO A BRIGHT FUTURE.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF ALL ACCOUNTS COULD BE PAID IN FULL BY FRIDAY, 11TH APRIL, 2014.
THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
SUE TOWNS

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Fax 67254336

THE LIONS’ CORNER
LIONS
Our Lions’ meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Bowling Club 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. Our next meeting is 1st April, 2014.

LEOS
Our meeting will be held on Thursday, 3rd April in the Science lab at lunch time. Please try to attend. New members PLEASE DO NOT FORGET YOUR MEMBERSHIP FORM and FEES. Bring them to the meeting as I have to send them away to Sydney.

BINGO
Held at the Bowling Club on the first Wednesday of the month. STARTING TIME: 1.00 pm. Our next day is the 2nd April, 2014. Come along and have FUN with us as we all had a ball with all the new games and prizes. Cost of the books is $5.00 each and jackpot tickets are $2.00 each. Our jackpot is up to $60.00. Starting time eyes down at 1.00 pm.

MINI - LOTTO
Winning numbers: 2,6,8,9,16,17. Draw Date 28/03/2014. JACKPOT is more than $5,723.00. The jackpot is getting up again. The more tickets you take the quicker the JACKPOT will rise.

DRIVER REVIVER
We are looking for some more volunteers to help out with manning our Driver Reviver as the holidays are coming up. We need some extras as a couple of our members are going away which puts a strain on the rest of us. So, if you can help, it will be much appreciated.
You can give me a call on 67254204. If I am not home just leave a message on the answering machine please and I will get back to you.
Thanks for your time.

Bye from the Den.
Yours in Lionism,
Lion Helen

FOR SALE
Cross bred fat lambs for sale $70.00 each. For more information call:
02 67254154 or 0428254154.

Bun Bun Playgroup
Ashford Bun Bun Playgroup held every Wednesday (except school holidays) between 10am and 1pm at the Ashford Memorial Hall.
All mums and bubs welcome.

Inverell & District Soccer 2014
Season Registrations
Registrations are now open for the 2014 Junior Soccer Season. Registration and payment are to be made through myfootballclub.com.au. Age Groups 5/6 $80, 7/8 $80, 9/10 $90, 11/12 $90 and Youth 13-18 $100. Entry Level division 5/6 receive a free ball and shin pads with registration. Information day is Saturday, 29th March at Sporting Complex Soccer Canteen starting at 9.00am. Competition starts on Saturday, 3rd May, 2014, with a Gala Day commencing at 9.00am. For further information please contact Tammy Cabitza 0427 878 730 or Carl White 0427 774 019.
Roosters First Home Game

The Ashford Roosters start their 2014 Group 19 campaign against Tingha at Ashford this Saturday, 5th April.

The Roosters have had a strong pre-season, recording their first home victory against Goondiwindi in First Grade and also recording wins in Reserve Grade and Ladies’ League Tag. It was a great day for the Roosters to record their first ever three grades’ win on the same day.

Numbers at training have been very good for both the men’s and ladies’ teams and the club is looking forward to a year of being competitive in all grades.

Tingha will be a great test in our first games, being semi-finalists in 2013 and being one of the form teams of the pre-season trial games.

The gates open at the Ashford Sports Ground at 10.00am. The first game of the day will be at 11.00am with the Under 14s mixed league tag match between the Ashford school kids.

The Ladies’ League Tag play at 12 noon, the Reserve Grade at 1.00pm and the First Grade kick off at 2.30pm.

The Roosters have recruited a number of new players and are looking stronger in all teams. Doubles on the main game are available for purchase at the gates. You never know your luck.

Come along and support the Ashford Roosters and have a great day of entertainment. Canteen and Bar facilities are available. The weather forecast is great, the ground is in magnificent shape. All we need is a big crowd of vocal supporters to get us off to a winning start.
Trivia Night at The Wallangra Hall

5th April 6.30pm

Bring your friends and family along for a night of fun. You can put together a table of eight or just turn up on the night for a lucky dip.

Cost: $10 per adult & kids under 15, $5. BYO picnic basket (finger food) and drinks.

Tea, coffee and cake provided. RSVP by 29th March, 2014.

We will have lucky door prizes, instant raffles and guessing games.

You have to be in it to win it, so don't forget your spare gold coins!

All monies raised are for paying off the toilet block at the sportsground.

For info or RSVP, call Helga on 0412 530 713.

Markets in the Park

The Texas Lions Club

Is proudly holding a “Markets in the Park”

SUNDAY 6TH APRIL 2014

AT

APEX PARK

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

LARGE VARIETY OF STALLS

$10 PER SITE

Everyone is invited to book a site. As is the saying, one man's trash is another's treasure. So please join the Texas Lions to make this a great day.

CONTACT:

Trevor Ellis 07-46530483 6pm-8pm

(leave message)

Or see Lion Les at the Texas News

For Bookings 07-46531384
SUNDAY 20TH APRIL 2014
9.30AM

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CAMPING GROUND & TOURIST PARK

GREAT FAMILY DAY OUT!
SAUSAGES, BACON, LAMB CHOPS, EGGS, BAKED OMELETTE,
CORN FRITTERS, TOAST,
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The Shed at Goat Rock,
1040 Goat Rock Road,
Texas, QLD, 4385
16km from Texas

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Easter Saturday - 19th April 2014

GOAT ROCK CAMPING GROUND & TOURIST PARK
TEXAS, QLD

2 course Spit Roast & Camp Oven Dinner plus
LIVE Music by
Codey & Teagan Hodges

COST

ADULT
CHILD 5-12YRS
FAMILY
COVERCHARGE (NO MEAL)

$30
$10
$70
$10

6pm Start
6.30pm Dinner
Music from
7.30pm - Late

Easter Camping Package Deals Available

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EMAIL: INFO@GOTROCK.COM.AU
WEBSITE: WWW.GOATROCK.COM.AU

BYO ALCOHOL
POSITION VACANT
TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATION & ACCOUNTS ASSISTANT
Aboriginal Designated position*

ALALC are seeking an experienced Administration and Accounts Assistant to work on a temporary basis (parental leave relief) for approximately 8 months (end of April 2014-October 2014).

Duties include: Accounts payable/receivable, payroll, data entry, answering phones, filing, banking, preparing mail outs, general housekeeping of ALALC & other office duties. Must be confident in using Microsoft Office applications & MYOB experience essential.

Hours are negotiable but we would envisage somewhere between 7 and 21 hours per week.

Please contact Pene Riggs, Ashford Local Aboriginal Land Council, by phone 02 6725 4411 or by email landcouncil@ashfordlalc.com. Applications close 10th April 2014.

*Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position, exemption claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-discrimination Act NSW 1977

NAIDOC Committee
NAIDOC Week is fast approaching & Ashford LALC encourage all those who would like to be part of the committee to please register your interest at the ALALC as soon as possible so we can plan our NAIDOC Week activities.

Glitter & Glow Disco’s
Prizes for best dressed

Primary Disco
Thursday 10th April
5pm-7pm
@ Ashford LALC

Secondary Disco
Thursday 10th April
7pm-9pm
@ Ashford LALC

YOUTH FOR JESUS!!

DATE: FRIDAY 4TH APRIL
WHERE: ASHFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH JUBILEE ST
TIME: 6.30PM TIL 8.30PM
LIVE GOSPEL MUSIC, GOSPEL READING, GAMES AND SUPPER.
FOR STUDENTS FROM GRADES 5 TO GRADE 12 ONLY.
GOLD COIN FOR SUPPER APPRECIATED.
ASHFORD LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL
25 Albury Street, Ashford NSW 2361
Ph (02) 67254411  Fax (02) 67254422
Email: landcouncil@ashfordlalc.com

POSITIONS VACANT

Ashford LALC are seeking expressions of interest from the community both Aboriginal and Non Aboriginal for trainees to work on their “Save the Severn” Project.

“Save the Severn” is an initiative between Ashford LALC and local land holders on the Severn River which aims to protect critical aquatic eco systems on the Severn River between Pindari Dam and Kwiambal National Park utilizing a team of Aboriginal and Non Aboriginal trainees to control weeds and feral animals, restore riparian vegetation and native habitat and stabilize stream banks to increase the productivity of the surrounding land and reduce degradation of the river which will make a real difference to the health of the Severn River and its tributaries as well as create new employment and training opportunities for the people in the Ashford area.

There are 4 full time (Monday to Friday) traineeships on offer which will include work on country, in the workshop and formal training (1 day per week). To be considered for these positions you must complete (unpaid) pre-employment training where your commitment, engagement, punctuality, attitude and interest will be assessed. You must then submit a formal application and go through the interview process. Please note: Successfully passing the training is mandatory to be considered for the positions, however it does not guarantee you employment!

All training will take place in Ashford on the following dates:

- Induction – 20th May 2014 – Delivered by Ashford LALC
- Cultural Awareness – 21st May 2014 – Delivered by Local Land Services
- First Aid – 27th & 28th May 2014 – Delivered by Tafe New England
- Chemical Handling & WHS White Card – 3rd, 4th & 5th June 2014 - Delivered by Tafe New England
- Aboriginal Site Identification – 10th & 11th June 2014 – Delivered by Local Land Services
- Chainsaw Operation – 17th & 18th June 2014 - Delivered by Tafe New England

Interviews will then take place on 24th June 2014

To lodge an expression of interest please complete the form below and return it to the Ashford LALC Office 25 Albury Street, ASHFORD 2361 along with a copy of your resume. Alternatively you can email the form and your resume to projects@ashfordlalc.com.

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