

Dungog High School News

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School Hours: 8.55am-3.25pm; Office Hours: 8.30am-3.30pm during school terms

Term 4 Week 4

27th October 2014



Principal.

HSC exams continue

We are getting to the end of the examination period and many students have already finished all their examinations. We continue to wish the students who have exams coming up all the best with their study and hope that their work is rewarded.

Any students who have completed their exams may be thinking about signing out and organising a reference. Signing out means bringing back all the textbooks that have been used – the current year 11 are anxious to receive them – and getting a clearance from the office that all invoices are cleared. If there are any problems with finalising accounts, please remember that you can write to me and briefly outline any problems that you are having – we do have small amounts available to assist.

References can be organised with the year adviser. Students need to complete an information sheet and hand this to the year adviser – we sometimes aren't aware of all the wonderful things that students have done in their years at the school; we want to ensure the references really reflect the contribution each student has made to the life of the school.

P&C meeting November 13th

At our next P&C meeting, faculties and programs that have received support from the P&C will be showing off what they have done with the funds they requested. I will have a list of what will be shown at the meeting ready soon and I am sure that many parents would like to see what has been bought for their children's benefit.

We will also be looking at the draft of our new Strategic Plan. The P&C have had input into this draft and I would like your comments on where we are up to.

Clarence Town Bridge information

As most people in Clarence Town are aware, the main bridge is sadly in need of repair and this is going to mean a period of dislocation for us. I have attached information distributed last Saturday by Roads and Maritime Services and the feedback form that allows us all to have a say in the process.

The inevitable bridge closure will be uncomfortable for a time but must be better than the current situation. I urge everyone to get involved in this.

Maureen Jarvis

STUDENT ACHIEVER OF THE WEEK AWARD

This week's recipient is: Tristan Beisler, Year 10

Tristan has assisted with the development of programming and the implementation of Technology in Dungog High. This includes Mindstorm Robots, Computer Commissioning and programming. Tristan is an active member of the Technology Team.

Tristan will be receiving a certificate and a \$25 voucher.



CAREERS NEWS

APPRENTICE SUCCESS

Congratulations to Damien Hawes who left Dungog High at the start of Year 10 to take up an offer of an apprenticeship at Modern Motors. He has excelled at his studies and, with the support of his parents and employers, has completed the apprenticeship a year ahead of time. He is a perfect example of having a goal and working to achieve it. Well done, Damien.

MASTERING THE HSC

This is an annual event featuring guest speakers and HSC experts and is free of charge (attendees are required to donate \$10 to go to the Fred Hollows Foundation). The lectures will be held on Saturday 15 November at University of Sydney and Sunday 23 November at the University of NSW (also a good opportunity to look around these campuses). Topics covered include English, Biology, Business Studies Advanced & Extension Maths and Chemistry.

For more information, and to enrol, go to www.tsfx.com.au or call 1300364173.

Dungog High School Vision : *Dungog High School educates individuals to be contributing members of a modern global society. It provides a positive working and learning environment where people feel valued and are responsible, knowledgeable citizens.*

- We focus on respect, responsibility and personal best
- We encourage initiative, innovation and leadership
- We value individual differences

- We respond to our local, national and international contexts and student needs
- We provide a range of experiences that challenge individuals to explore and interact with the world.
- We provide a broad, responsive curriculum focussed on excellence.

IOTAS Graduation Concert



On Wednesday the 22nd of October the Support Class travelled to Newcastle Panthers to take part in the IOTAS Graduation Concert. The concert is an annual event and allows students from support classes in the Hunter to perform on stage and say farewell to their leaving Year 12 students.

This year the Dungog High students put on a song and dance medley with a Newcastle Knights theme called "A Knight to Remember". The students performed superbly and looked fantastic on stage. After the performance our two leaving year 12 students – Joel Fletcher and Bryce Lloyd - were then introduced back on stage with all the other year 12 students in the area and presented with their Graduation Certificate.

A big thank you to all students and staff who were involved with this production, it was a fantastic day.
Natusha Joy

Congratulations Lleyton

Lleyton Lloyd, Year 8, was a member last week of The NSW Special Olympics Team which competed at the Special Olympics National Games in Melbourne.

Lleyton was a member of the NSW athletics team and had a very successful meet.

- Gold in the 800m run
- Gold in the 200m run
- Silver in the 100m run
- Silver in the 4 x 100 relay
- Bronze in Long Jump.

He also managed 3 individual PB's.



After this successful meet Lleyton is being considered as part of Team Australia to go to the Special Olympics World Summer Games to be held in Los Angeles in July 2015.

Success at Scone

What a fantastic way to end the year! The Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza is traditionally the most challenging cattle show in our schedule. This year was no different. Entries were up significantly on previous years and so was the temperature with team members competing in 38 degree plus heat. Sixteen students proudly represented the school in our new uniform (more on that in a later issue). We entered two head; Yolanda, a red Santa Gertrudis cross Angus Heifer and Buff, a black Santa Gertrudis cross Angus steer.

Over three intense days of competition Dungog students entered two livestock classes, Junior Judging, Paraders competitions, the Intercollegiate Meat Judging Competition at Scone Abattoirs, interactive judging whilst still managing to care for and prepare their two animals. Buff, led by Cameron Hawes, achieved highly commended in his class. As we predicted Yolanda, led by Rebecca Hudson, did not receive a place in her class, however, did manage to create widespread interest amongst fellow competitors, producers and others within the industry who were impressed by the heavy muscling yet softness over her ribs. Yolanda is a deceptive individual whose story is not over yet. Many are waiting to see her hook results. Stay tuned on this one!

All members of our team competed in the Judging competition and whilst on this occasion we did not place it was a well-run and informative experience. A team of 4 (Taylor Hack, Madeline Chippindale, Drew Reid and Alesha) had greater success during the interactive judging session scoring the maximum 50 points for judging the lightweight class.

Caitlin McDonald, Kaitlin Papadopolous, Tamieka Lupinski, Taylor Hack and Cameron Hawes were fortunate enough to be awarded the opportunity to enter the abattoir and compete in the intercollegiate meat judging competition. Interest in this year's competition was so great that the high numbers did not permit teachers and parents to enter the chillers.

Cattle were once again provided by the Hudson family partnership. Mrs Cathy Hudson has continued to work with the Cattle team on breaking in, parading and clipping of our cattle throughout the year. With regard to student safety, an animal's temperament is the most important aspect to consider when selecting livestock and these cattle have proven to be exceptionally quiet and competitive. Team members form a strong bond of trust and respect with these animals and it is always difficult to load them onto the truck at the end of the show.

As always parents play an important role in setting the tone of these shows and their contribution toward our performance should not be understated. Ms Gough's efforts in feeding the hungry mouths of these ravenous competitors along with the transport of our equipment to Scone were much appreciated.

Mrs Hack's impressive gift for forecasting weather along with her interpretation and use of BOM weather data/technology certainly provided us with confidence as storms approached our camp during the evenings. Also a big thank-you for ensuring our Team stayed well hydrated with bottles of water whilst out in the sun competing.

Mrs Lupinski's translation of teenager's body language and their communication in general was most useful. A good sense of humour is essential and Ms Sanders certainly provided assistance in this area. Ms Urban proved to be one of our keenest learners and probably deserves a merit for her efforts in obtaining a better understanding of these events.

In general a thank-you to all parents who assisted in transporting their own children and others to and from this event and others throughout the year.



The much talked about "Yolanda" led by Clare Richardson

Some other observations from the weekend include:

- Drew Reid will be asking Santa for an alarm clock this year as his is clearly not working.
- Miracle Urban didn't quite have enough money in her piggy bank to purchase Yolanda from Hunter Valley Quality Meats.
- Ella Rumbel has a disturbing interest in shopping trolleys.
- Kaitlin clearly has anger issues with tents.

Congratulations to all members of the cattle team who contributed to and shared in our success throughout the year. You are a credit to yourself and the school.

Well Done!

SOME CALENDAR DATES FOR TERM 4 2014

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	27th October	28th October	29th October	30th October	31st October
4	Yr10 Yrly Exams HSC Chemistry am HSC Drama pm Public Speaking – Feeder schools 6-9pm Y11 Hosp catering Rotary Dinner	Yr10 Yrly Exams Uniform Shop 8am-4pm HSC Maths Ext 1 pm	Spec Ed Swim Program HSC Legal Studies am BOSTES Numeracy/ Literacy Tests	Spec Ed Sport Program HSC Earth & Envir Sci and French exams am HSC Eng Ext 1 & Primary Ind exams pm HSC Visual Arts Body of Work marking. Y9 PASS Yearly exam	Yr 7 and Y11 Bio to Zoo HSC Physics am
5	3 November Yr 10 HSIE excursion HSC Visual Art am HSC Food Tech pm	4 November	5 November HSC Retail exam am	6 November Spec Ed Sport Program	7 November
6	10 November Yr 11 Hospitality to Seaworld Yr 8 ESSATest	11 November Yr 11 Hospitality to Seaworld Uniform Shop 8am-4pm	12 November Yr 11 Hospitality to Seaworld PBL Assembly	13 November Yr 11 Hospitality to Seaworld Volley Ball teams to Homebush Special Ed Sport Program P&C Meeting 7.30pm	14 November
7	17 November	18 November	19 November Peer Support Camp	20 November Peer Support Camp Spec Ed Sport Program Yr8 Outdoor Rec Paddle Boarding	21 November Peer Support Camp

France and Italy Tour – April 2016

A reminder to all interested staff and students that your booking form, insurance form, passport/birth certificate and deposit must be paid to the office no later than **21 November 2014**. Given the overwhelming expressions of interests we received for the tour from the five schools invited (Dungog, Mount View, Gloucester, Bulahdelah and Francis Greenway), the number of travellers will be capped at a maximum of 50 – placement on the tour will be according to the date we receive your paperwork and payment. If you need another copy of any of the documentation or if you have any questions, please see Ms Archer in the HSIE staffroom.

2014 ELECTIVE FEES DUE TO BE PAID NOW!

Please be aware - non-payment of elective fees means a student cannot attend some excursions & may not be able to continue in this elective course.

If you are having difficulty making this payment please contact the Principal.

All enquiries will be kept confidential.

Reminder invoices have been mailed.

Direct deposit bank details
BSB: 032-001 Account No. 140079
Reference: please quote **student** name and name of excursion or subject name. e.g. J Citizen Melb exc;
Wood fees

DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN

Roster

Week 4 : 27th to 31st October

Mon	S Hallett, N Eyb, M Herbert, J Pevy
Tues	J Kellner, R Wevers
Wed	L Hunt, S Beisler, C Honnery, J Wear
Thurs	K Eyb, K Hudson
Fri	S Crouch, R Kirkby, K Salter D Hallinan



Week 5 : 3rd to 7th November

Mon	J Ross, C Butler, F Hack
Tues	R Arkinstall, R Rolfe, J Vasic
Wed	M Milburn, K Mitchell, J Holmes, N Eslick
Thurs	L Tull, M Ince, F Wysall, M Hughes
Fri	D Marquet, L Dries, L McInnes, M Townsend



Dungog Show

I encourage you all to dig out Granny's old sponge or scone recipe and enter in the show, or get making and creating there is a section for nearly everything! - its so much fun to be part our community show, celebrating all the great things about the rural way of life.

If you or your friends and family have children aged 2 - 18 years, there are lots of things that children and young people can enter and it is a great way to get our young people engaged and involved in the show, so please share this with them.

See you at the show!

Happy making, baking and creating!!!

Sarah U'Brien, Dungog Shire Community Centre

Clarence Town Nights Markets are being held 4pm-9pm on Saturday **15th November** 2014, raising money to keep the Museum open.

Did you know the Museum is located in the OLDEST courthouse in Australia?

Come along for secondhand goodness, handmade jewellery, craft goods, baby wear, gifts, face painting by Frozen's Elsa and help support the local community.

Check us out at: www.facebook.com/clarencetownmarkets

GREAT COURSES

Beauty From Natural Ingredients.

Two vibrant classes in one. From herbalist Pat Collins; over one full day: create your own herbal shampoos, soaps, body butters, shower gels, conditioners, moisturisers & more. \$95. Limited places. Saturday 15 November 2014.

Italian Cooking?

Yum! With Marisa Groves. Get the basics and go beyond the basics. Cooks \$89. Diners \$39. Limited places. Dungog Showground Saturday 22 Nov 2014.

First Aid

Get **safe** for summer! The course everyone should do. Get your certificate. Renew your old one. Learn CPR. Deal with bites, stroke, breaks & much much more. Saturday 29 Nov, 9am-3pm, Day Care Centre. \$160/\$140.

Responsible Service Of Alcohol (RSA) – if we get enough numbers we will run an RSA in early December. Contact us and put your name down. education@dins.org.au.

Interested in: Aged Care, Events, Management, Bookkeeping, Construction Pathways, & more? Contact us – education@dins.org.au to get on the list.

Bookings essential. To book or learn more: *Dungog Community College 49921133*
www.dungogcommunitycollege.org.au

Stroud Skate Park

Stroud Showground Management Committee are thrilled to be able to share the proposed plan for Stroud's new Skate Park. This plan is in draft form (a draft the committee are very happy with) and we would like to share it with our youth in our community.

The Chair of the Committee Mr James Harris (wjh@idl.net.au) is happy to answer any questions from the students also to 'take on board' any constructive comments. This should occur within 21 days from Monday 27th October.

The proposed plan will then go to Great Lakes Council for comment, then it will take the normal DA process.

We have a grant to build this Skate Park, it is not a cost to Great Lakes Council.



Paterson Red Cross

Amber Lawrence

with special guests **Kaylens Rain**
will be performing at

**Paterson School of Arts Hall on
Saturday 8th November 2014, 7.30pm**

Opening the show will be *Taylor Hack, Year 9
student at Dungog High School.*

Tickets: \$20 Adult; \$10 Children under 15 years.

Tickets available at **Paterson Post Office** or
online at <http://www.amberlawrence.com.au/tour/>
Enquiries phone 49385128 or 49385570

Part proceeds to Paterson Red Cross.

Pre-Christmas Food, Wine and Beer Fair



**Featuring All the Goodies you will need over
the festive season available at your local IGA!**

When:	Friday 14 th November 2014 from 5pm to 8pm
Where:	CWA Hall – 199 Dowling Street Dungog
Cost:	\$5.00 with all proceeds donated to the Dungog Community Centre
Tickets:	Available from Lovey's Supa IGA Plus Liquor, or may be purchased on the night at the door.



**Lucky Door
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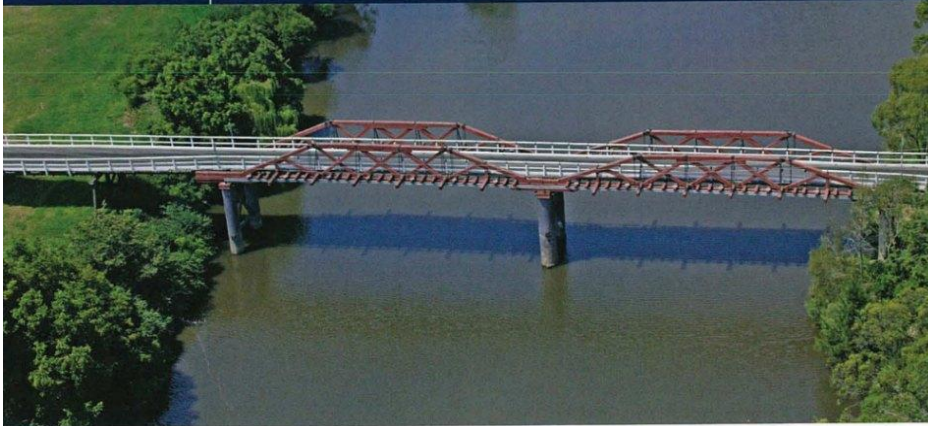
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Community Update



Transport
Roads & Maritime
Services

OCTOBER 2014



Brig O'Johnston Bridge, Clarence Town

Roads and Maritime Services is planning for the rehabilitation of the historic Brig O'Johnston Bridge over the Williams River at Clarence Town. This community update provides information on planning activities, community consultation and next steps for the project.

Background

The Brig O'Johnston Bridge over the Williams River at Clarence Town was built in 1880 and is the oldest surviving timber truss bridge in NSW.

The bridge is one of 26 bridges identified for conservation in the Roads and Maritime *Timber Truss Bridge Conservation Strategy*, which was developed in consultation with the Heritage Council of NSW.

The strategy was developed to address the long term management of these structures and aims to establish a balance between infrastructure provision and heritage conservation.

The strategy was displayed for stakeholder and community comment in 2011. The feedback received was considered in finalising the strategy and identifying bridges for replacement and conservation.

Given its heritage significance the Brig O'Johnston Bridge was identified for rehabilitation to meet current vehicle load standards while preserving its heritage features.

The NSW Government is funding the Brig O'Johnston Bridge upgrade as part of its \$145 million Bridges for the Bush commitment to improve road freight productivity in regional NSW and reduce timber bridge maintenance costs by replacing or upgrading bridges.

Rehabilitation work

The Brig O'Johnston Bridge has a temporary Bailey bridge attached to it for structural support and has load and width limits which restrict the size of vehicles that can use it.

Rehabilitation work is required to strengthen the bridge to meet current vehicle loads and heavy vehicle requirements, as well as help to reduce future maintenance costs.

The proposed rehabilitation involves replacing and strengthening the bridge structure including the bridge piers, abutments, approach spans, deck, timber trusses and road approaches.

Roads and Maritime has been working closely with the Office of Environment and Heritage to ensure the proposed changes meet heritage requirements.

Timber would remain the primary material in the trusses and deck but steel and concrete components would be integrated into the design to strengthen the structure. Individual components would not change significantly in appearance including in width, height or length due to the bridge's heritage significance.

This would ensure the bridge meets current load standards and is capable of carrying a 42.5 tonne semi-trailer or equivalent without significantly affecting the appearance of the bridge.

Proposed delivery and bridge closures

Some of the work, including replacing the timber decking and rehabilitation of the abutments and piers, cannot be completed without closing the bridge to traffic and pedestrians. Detours would be in place via Glen William Road, Glen Martin Road and East Seaham Road.

Roads and Maritime is investigating different options to carry out the work with minimum impact to motorists and the community.

No final decisions have been made on the timing of the work or extent of bridge closures needed to complete the work.

Roads and Maritime expects the bridge rehabilitation to take around two years to complete, weather permitting.

Involving the community and stakeholders

Roads and Maritime will consult with the community and stakeholders to understand and consider issues concerning work impacts and bridge closures. This feedback will be used to plan the schedule of works and bridge closures.

More information about the proposed delivery schedule and bridge closures will be provided to the community for feedback as investigations progress.

Next steps

Upcoming planning activities include:

- Complete design work in consultation with the Office of Environment and Heritage
- Complete investigations into work delivery options to minimise impact to the community
- Consult with the community on delivery options and bridge closures
- Complete the review of environmental factors to assess the potential environmental and social impacts of the work and identify management and mitigation measures
- Display the review of environmental factors for community and stakeholder comment.

Pending approval to proceed from the Heritage Council of NSW, the rehabilitation work is expected to start in 2015.

Further Information

Stakeholders and the community are invited to attend a drop-in information session on **Saturday 25 October 2014** between **9am and 1pm** at **Clarence Town School of Arts**, Grey Street, Clarence Town.

Roads and Maritime staff will be available to talk to about the bridge rehabilitation plans.

More information about the project is also available by:

Phone: David MacGregor, Project Manager
on 02 4924 0643 (business hours)

Email: David.Macgregor@rms.nsw.gov.au

Mail: David MacGregor
Roads and Maritime Services
Locked Bag 2030
NEWCASTLE NSW 2300

Information is available on the website at rms.nsw.gov.au



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