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Glenreagh's Newsletter

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GLENREAGH TIMBER FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND!

The signs have gone up, food has been ordered, our amazing event coordinator Rikki Cetinich is finalising programming, exhibitors have been locked in and our artists are fine tuning for our big day on the 25th July and our Picnic in the Paddock on 24th July.

It's now time to for our committee to wrangle the community to come on board to lend a hand.

This festival cannot happen without our volunteers. Our 10 community groups are on board with volunteers in various locations, however we have some gaps to fill, particularly in the community canteen..

If you can lend a hand for a couple of hours and work with a fantastic group of people please get in touch. (0417446845)
It's an awesome day to work with our groups to bring our little town alive..

If you haven't already bought your ticket for Friday night get in quick as tickets are selling well.. then on Saturday the Glenreagh Recreation Reserves comes alive with everything from the famous Woodchop, chainsaws, lawn mower racing demonstrations to horses rides, sheep sheering, dog demonstrations, markets stalls, steam display and an amazing kids area..

Hope to see you all at the Glenreagh Timber Festival.





AS
SOUND
SOLUTIONS

THE
GOLDEN DOG
HOTEL



Picnic IN THE PADDOCK

Mak & Shar | Katie Brooke | Mick Harrington



24 | JULY | 2026

FRIDAY - 5:30PM | GLENREAGH RECREATIONAL RESERVE



Coopers

\$98

TICKET PRICE

FLAME COOKED BANQUET FEAST
LIVE MUSIC. MECHANICAL BULL.
DIY S'MORES. STEAM ENGINES.
COCKTAIL BAR. LOCAL PRODUCERS
DANCE UNDER THE STARS. 18YRS +
BBQ MASTERS STRETCH MARQUEE



GLENREAGH
**TIMBER
FESTIVAL**

CEDAR & STEAM 26-28TH JUNE

This year's Cedar and Steam art and photography exhibition was held over three days and it was a huge success. The number of entries increased, visitors through the doors were up on previous years and many generous helpers from the community leant willing hands to ensure that Glenreagh's community creative display was a special event.

Hundreds of students from the seven Orara Valley and hinterland primary schools entered their colourful renditions of puppets. The challenge was to make a puppet that could be mounted onto a paper backdrop so it could be hung onto the display frames. The children's ingenuity produced all sorts of puppets and the teacher's patience would have been pushed to the limit to fulfill this criteria. The first pupil onto the stage to receive the kindergarten's first place was a delightful young man from Glenreagh School. Branx received his award then proceeded to enthusiastically acknowledge each and every winner who followed him up onto the stage.

The two Guest Artist's exhibitions were of a top-notch quality. Wayne Wilson's model aircrafts were examined by young and old. And his reconstruction of the plane that was built in Glenreagh in the 1930's is an exciting work in progress. Guy Gilmore's retrospective exhibition of his paintings from the Orara Valley fascinated the viewers. His five paintings of a herd of cattle was intriguing as the canvases could be alternated around to change the location of each bovine. Both Wayne and Guy's presence added to Cedar and Steam's entertaining success.

Two Guest displays were also well received. Dan and his crew from Shannondale Steam sheds intrigued onlookers with their multiplicity of miniature steam engines. Who knew that there were so many ways to harness the power of steam? Wolfgang and Janette Schultz' beautiful wildflower jewellery and other items, made from pewter and covered with silver or gold, were very popular and a large number of purchases were made over the weekend.

Tickets in the four raffles were eagerly purchased and there was great anticipation to be the winner.

- Lynda Brooks' beautifully crocheted runner was won by Cooper from Bonville
- Maxine Crawford's intriguing crocheted table centre was won by Sara Mc Cafferty
- Terri Campbell won the china painted afternoon tea set
- Vicki Reston from Maclean won the cheeseboard

The judge commented on the very high standard of the photography and that she had trouble to choose the winners.'The subject range was diverse and it was pleasing to see the great use of technology'.

Over 300 entries were received with all our winners listed over the page:

PHOTOGRAPHY: YOUTH

FIRST: Damien Watson.

SECOND: Grace Evans.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Marlon Bienefelt

Israel Reifler

Damien Watson

PHOTOGRAPHY: OPEN

FIRST: Bob Morrison.

SECOND: Ollie Arjonilla.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Darrin Massina

Peter Smith

Sara McCaffety

Barbara Lee

Michael Lee

PAINTING: YOUTH

FIRST: Daisy May Taylor.

SECOND: Shepard Frost.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Honi B. Kemsley

Saffron Arjonilla

Joshua Froesch

PAINTING: OPEN

FIRST: Robert Gee.

SECOND: Vicki Reston

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Susie Wilson

Tara Parish

Lorraine Backman

DRAWING: YOUTH

FIRST: Delilah Hood.

SECOND: Ariana Reifler.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Shephard Frost

Eve Mayled

JUDGE'S SPECIAL AWARD:

Grace Evans

DRAWING: OPEN

FIRST: Robert Gee.

SECOND: Tara Parish.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Robert Gee

Naomi Reifler

JUDGE'S SPECIAL AWARD:

Deborah McLennan.

Tara Parish

FIBRE: YOUTH

FIRST: Maxine Crawford.

SECOND: Issy Carter.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Lacey Bienefelt

Layla Hirsig

Leaana Reifler

FIBRE: OPEN

FIRST: Barbara Roberts.

SECOND: Margaret

Fawcett.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Donna Osmani

Vicki Page

Marna Atwa,

SCULPTURE: YOUTH

FIRST: Layla Hirsig.

SECOND: Lacey Bienefelt.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Ariana Reifler

Shaniya Koster

Leaana Reifler

SCULPTURE: OPEN

FIRST: Rob Slingsby.

SECOND: Peter Baker.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Bettina H. Pitman

Paula Denison

Jan Homer

John Marshall

SPECIAL- PUPPETS: YOUTH

FIRST: Liara Gipp.

SECOND: Victoria Cowdrill.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Patrick Sydee

Maggie Sydee

Cody Casey

SPECIAL- PUPPETS: OPEN

FIRST: Terri Campbell.

SECOND: Emma Ritson.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

N Fraes

Alwyn Downie.



The painting, sculpture, and photo displays



Richie Williams
MP and Honi

Lacey and her
Prize-winning
Sculpture



The Fibre Section



Wayne Wilson's
Model Aeroplanes



Kindergarten's puppet
entries



Some of the prize winners on
stage on Friday evening for
the Official Opening.



The puppets on show



The Shannondale
model steam train

The GRAND CHAMPIONS for 2026 were ascertained by the highest numbers of nominations of the first place winners by the people's choices.

The youth winner is Damien Watson with his beautiful photo of an orchid.

The open winner is Terri Campbell with her puppet, Mr Clover. Congratulations to these two talented entrants.

The Museum extends their heartfelt thanks for all who contributed to making Cedar and Steam a success. To the individual and community groups who volunteered their time and the generous sponsors who encouraged the artists with monetary support. To all the creative entrants and to the visitors who came to admire the works. Thank you all so much.

Next year's special theme will be TIMBER to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Glenreagh's Timber Festival.

GLENREAGH PUBLIC SCHOOL

NAIDOC Week Celebrations.

The students celebrated NAIDOC Week by participate in a variety of activities which included listening to Aboriginal stories, craft activities, and painting some art works to hang in the school. Also, the Glenreagh CWA served bush tucker samplers - damper with bush honey, kangaroo sausages and lemon myrtle biscuits. They went down a treat with our students.



We need volunteers for the Timber Festival BBQ!

We need volunteers to make this work, so funds can go to the school. Our P&C members are signed up or otherwise committed but we need many more workers! Many more! If you can commit 2-3 hours between 9am and 4pm on the day, Saturday 25 July, please reach out. You do not need to be a parent of a GPS student, just a caring supporter.



Kindergarten have been learning about length and learning to play percussion!



GLENREAGH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Bush Dance

What a fabulous day followed by a fabulous evening! The Billy Tea Bush Band came to school on the last day of term so the children and some staff could learn some bush dances in preparation of the Bush Dance at the hall being held that evening. The practice was fun and the dance saw young and older joining in.

Thanks so much to the P&C for getting this function organised and providing a delicious dinner. Also thanks goes to the Glenreagh CWA for providing yummy treats.



COMING SOON TO GLENREAGH



Come and train with Coach Helen

AFC 'B' Diploma

Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science

45-minute sessions designed to improve your:

- Agility
- Balance
- Coordination
- Speed
- Strength
- Ball control
- Passing
- Defending
- Shooting
- Dribbling

Woolgoolga Morning sessions

Wednesday:

Session 1- 6:30-7:15am

Session 2- 7:30-8:15am

Friday:

Session 1- 6:30-7:15am

Session 2- 7:30-8:15am

Glenreagh Afternoon Sessions

Thursday:

Session 1- 4:15-5:00pm

Session 2- Coming in Spring

Friday:

Session 1- 4:15-5:00pm

Session 2- Coming in Spring



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CLARENCE REGIONAL MOBILE LIBRARY

The Clarence Regional Mobile Library makes our library more accessible. To borrow from the mobile library, you must be a registered member of the Clarence Valley Regional Library. You can sign up online or gain assistance from the librarian on the day.

The Mobile Library is in Glenreagh **NEXT WEDNESDAY**.

Clarence Valley Mobile Library
July - December 2026



Wooli _____ Tuesday 10 - 12 North St bus stop	Berylgl Hall _____ Tuesday 10:30 - 11:30 Clarence Way
Minnie Water Headland _____ Tuesday 2 - 3:45 Waratah Cres	Copmanhurst _____ Tuesday 2 - 4 Stuart St
Halfway Creek Hall _____ Wednesday 10 - 12 Kungala Rd	Nymboida Hall _____ Wednesday 10 - 12 Church St
Glenreagh _____ Wednesday 2 - 3:45 New School of Arts Hall, Boundary St	Coutts Crossing _____ Wednesday 2 - 4 James McIntosh Memorial Park, Armistide Rd
Brushgrove Park _____ Thursday 10 - 12 Woodward St	Brooms Head _____ Thursday 10 - 12 Holiday Park
Tucabia Rural Fire Station _____ Thursday 2 - 4 Nanegai St	Lawrence Hall _____ Thursday 2 - 4 Bridge St

Mobile Library 0409 457 606 | www.crl.nsw.gov.au | Grafton Library 6641 0100
f Mobile Library - Clarence Regional Library



Clarence Valley Mobile Library
The Mobile Library does not operate on public holidays

2026

HALFWAY CREEK COMMUNITY RESERVE LAND MANAGER

The next market will be on **Sunday 6th September**.

The market runs from 8.30 am-12.00 pm, corner of Pacific Hwy and Kungala Road.

There will be lots of stalls selling all manner of things. Food is available, including our outstanding roast beef rolls, scones and cakes- all at very reasonable prices. Cash only please.

The Annual General Meeting will be held before our General Meeting after the market.

Details for car-booters and stall holders:

Contact Liz 0407 761 515 for a \$5 per table inside

Contact Lois 0427 492 060 for a \$5 per table undercover outside.

Outside stalls only \$5.00 and no need to book *but please wait to be allocated a spot before setting up*.

Set up time from 7am.

To stay updated, please visit our [Halfway Creek Facebook page](#).



= GLENREAGH = **COMMUNITY MARKETS**

1st Saturday of each month

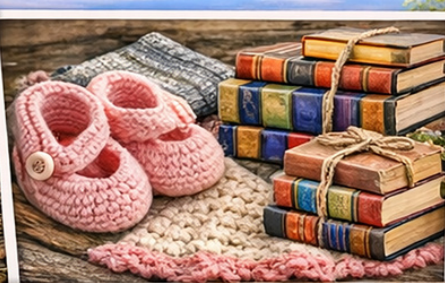
— (Except January) —



8am – 12.30pm



**at School of Arts Hall
62 Coramba Street, Glenreagh**



**Antiques • Plants • Bric-A-Brac • Books
Homemade Goodies and lots more!**

**Visit the Museum for just
Gold Coin Donation**



**Sit, relax and enjoy freshly cooked
bacon & egg rolls or a fresh Devonshire
tea/coffee. Cold drinks available too.**

**Enquiries: Jennie — 0407 818 735
Email: JENALAN5@YAHOO.COM.AU**



NEW TAX CHANGES TO BE AWARE OF FOR THE 2026 TAX RETURN

As we prepare for the 2026 tax return, we look at what has changed from last year. Some widely discussed tax cuts start after this return year, while several important changes already affect 2025–26 income, deductions, super and small business claims.

For individuals, the resident tax rates for 2025–26 remain the post-Stage 3 settings introduced from 1 July 2024: the tax-free threshold remains \$18,200; the 16% bracket applies from \$18,201 to \$45,000; 30% applies from \$45,001 to \$135,000; 37% applies from \$135,001 to \$190,000; and 45% applies above \$190,000, before Medicare levy.

The personal tax cut does not apply to the 2026 tax return. The further reduction of the 16% rate to 15% starts from 1 July 2026, so it affects the 2026–27 income year, not the year ending 30 June 2026. A further reduction to 14% is scheduled from 1 July 2027.

For employees with study debts, the HELP and student loan changes are significant. The Government’s legislation provides a one-off 20% reduction to eligible outstanding student loan balances as at 1 June 2025, applied before indexation, and the new repayment threshold rises from \$54,435 to \$67,000. The repayment amounts are also lower under a new marginal repayment system. This may reduce compulsory repayments for many graduates in the 2026 return compared with the previous rules.

Work-from-home deductions remain an ATO focus. The ATO’s home office calculator now covers the 2025–26 income year, and taxpayers can use either the fixed-rate method or actual cost method. The ATO describes the fixed-rate method as covering additional running expenses, while allowing separate claims for items not covered, such as depreciation of office equipment. Record keeping remains critical: taxpayers should keep contemporaneous records of hours worked from home and evidence for separately claimed assets.

The \$20,000 instant asset write-off is still available for eligible small businesses for the 2025–26 income year.

Other than work from home deductions, the ATO will likely focus on work related expenses, income from side hustles and crypto, rental property claims and capital gains.

For businesses, the focus is likely to be on omitted income, business money used privately, deductions and GST errors, FBT and motor vehicles.

The safest approach is strong substantiation, clear apportionment and ensuring income reported matches ATO data- matching records.

Heida Bell
Your local Accountant and JP at Nana Glen

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ORARA VALLEY CWA NEWS

Orara Valley CWA members' highlight for this last month was celebrating the branch's 4th Birthday at the Glenreagh Golden Dog Hotel. We thank Steph and her team for their hospitality, the enjoyable meal and ensuring that the celebration was enjoyed by all. We also thank the Glenreagh Bakery for baking our delicious birthday cake.

Unfortunately we didn't have a stall at the July Market, for those that were looking for us we will be there at the August Market. Usually the coldest market morning of the year and we'll have our clothes rack full, including some nice warm winter garments all marked at \$2 each. There will also be some winter warmers amongst the members

hand crafted items, crocheted rugs, hot water bottle covers, dog jumpers and beanies of various sizes, all at affordable prices. As is the norm the bric-a-brac table will be restocked with items all priced to sell and Kate has made a fresh batch of her popular Beetroot Relish and Pickles.

Now that our mornings are cooler we have the heaters on early at Camp Eagle Eye on a Tuesday making it nice and warm for our Social Craft Gatherings.

Social Craft Gatherings aren't just for CWA members, all members of communities throughout the Orara Valley are always welcome to join us on a Tuesday. Bring whatever craft you are working on or just bring yourself for a chat and morning tea. Lynette Campton President/Secretary.



ORARA VALLEY



MEETINGS HELD
2ND TUESDAY
OF THE MONTH
AT 10 AM

SOCIAL CRAFT AND
MORNING TEA
TUESDAYS FROM
9.30, ALL WELCOME

CAMP EAGLE EYE
SCOUT CENTRE, 2080
ORARA WAY
GLENREAGH

Details.... 0413 212 494
secretary.ovcwa@gmail.com

GLENREAGH CREATIVE GROUP

The Glenreagh Creative Group, with material being supplied by Gayle one of our long-term members, made Blankets and donated them to Shearwater lodge in Coff's Harbour. This is a beautiful space where people can stay whilst having treatment.

We had a very enjoyable workshop with Brooke from the bakery for making Focaccia. the Kitchen smelt divine and lots of laughter ensued. Thank you to Glenreagh bakery for soldiering on without her for the morning.

We had several children attend a workshop and, under the guidance of a very patient Vicki they made a Christmas star with felt and buttons. Four very proud children carried their treasures home.

We had our AGM and we have a new President Lynette Stephens; I wish her all the best in steering the "Ship". After 17 years on the committee, I am content to just be. Looking forward to it. I would like to take this moment to thank the group for being supportive of me and coming along for the ride. "Trust in the next Chapter, you know the Author" We are at present getting ready to have a craft stall at Cedar and Steam, so, come along and see us and you might find a lovely handmade item to purchase.

So, it's see ya later from me.

Yours in Crafting.

Liz Shipman

GLENREAGH CREATIVE GROUP INC.



MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 9am

AT

GLENREAGH SCHOOL OF ARTS

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

COME ALONG AND JOIN THIS FRIENDLY GROUP

BRING ALONG YOUR W.I.P (Work in progress)

OR PHD's (Projects Half Done)



ORARA VALLEY ANGLICAN CHURCH – Come as you are
WEEKLY SUNDAY SERVICES: 9:30am at Christ Church Glenreagh

Bible Study 10am Tuesdays at Glenreagh General Store

Children's Activities at Glenreagh Markets - 1st. Saturday of the month

For Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Marriage Preparation, Hospital and Home
Visits

please contact The Reverend Ruth Pobjoy 0407 463 801



GLENREAGH SCHOOL OF ARTS HALL

The Annual Meeting of the Glenreagh School of Arts will take place on Thursday 6 August
2026 at 9.30am in the supper room at the Hall.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

THE GLENREAGH MUSEUM IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Market days or any other day that looks like a working bee type of day especially — if
you're breathing, capable of standing or sitting, and can look mildly interested, we'd love
to have you.

Did you know?

17 Boundary Street

Now a vacant block, this location was the former site of St
Paul's Catholic Church.

The church was built in 1931 on land that was donated by Mr.
T. Sweeney. Prior to its construction, services were held in the
School of Arts.

Tragically, the church was destroyed by fire on May 27, 2018.
It had faithfully served the local Catholic community for 87
years.

Check out Glenreagh Memorial Museum on FB

Glenreagh CWA CATERING

100% proceeds support our Glenreagh community.

Phone Gloria - 0427 492 161



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JUMBLE SALE ON

THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

BARGAIN clothing, bric-a-brac, toys,
books, craft items & much more!
Local baked goods, Jams & Pickles.
Devonshire Tea available.

Glenreagh CWA Rooms,
72 Coramba Street

Glenreagh Branch

72 Coramba Street, Glenreagh



FRIENDSHIP DAY EVENTS

We extend a friendly invite to ladies
from near and far to join us for a
social gathering of crafters, readers,
sewers, beaders, darners & yarners!

EVERY SECOND MONDAY, 9:30AM 'TIL NOON.
FEEL FREE TO BYO MORNING TEA.



Glenreagh CWA MEETINGS

We meet on the first Tuesday of
the month, from 10am.

All welcome to join us at the
CWA Rooms, 72 Coramba Street.

GETAWAY TO GLENREAGH

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

COMMUNITY
MARKETS
FROM 8AM

FOOD. MUSIC. MARKETS

LIVE MUSIC
FROM 12PM



GOLDEN DOG HOTEL
SATURDAY
LIVE MUSIC

GLENREAGH
COMMUNITY MARKETS

1st Saturday of each month

(Except January)

8am – 12.30pm

at School of Arts Hall
62 Coramba Street, Glenreagh



The
General
CAFE
EST 2004
Glenreagh General Store



MAKE A DAY
OF IT

GOOD PEOPLE. GREAT PLACE. SEE YOU IN GLENREAGH!

THE LINK- AUGUST

The next issue is due for publication Monday 17th August. That will be a great opportunity to showcase what happened this month, some last-minute reminders for events in late-August, and perfect promotion for what you have on in September and October.

Please email any content to thelinkglenreagh@gmail.com by **10am Thursday 13th August** if you wish to have it included. Something happening between the 13th and 17th July? Let me know so I can save a space for your summary and photos. **Subscribe** to receive "The Link" via email using the QR code.



TRACTOR WORK

Slashing, cultivating,
any tractor work.



Ring George Bennett on **6649 2160**

Justice of the Peace

The services of these folk are mostly needed in haste so may we suggest that you record them somewhere for your own convenience.
Carolyn Bennett – 6649 2160
Noel Backman – 0434 197 994



If you require assistance during heavy rain or in the case of flooding, please contact the SES on **132 500**.

Glenreagh General Store

6649 2142

For groceries, ice fuel, hardware, produce, gas, fruit, daily newspapers and hot food.

Glenreagh Men's Shed Inc.

Open Monday to Friday - 9am – 5pm
Contact: glenreaghmensshed@gmail.com

- President: David Wilks
- Vice President: Luke Campbell
- Secretary/Treasurer: Josh Wilson
- Board Members: Pete Duwe, Jayden Heidtmann

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Friday: 9:00am-6:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm
Sund, Mon, and Public Holidays- *Closed*
Josh: 02 5619 2696



TIMBER FESTIVAL



GLENREACH RECREATIONAL RESERVE



WHAT'S ON
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

WOOD CHOP, CHAINSAW SPEED RACING DEMO'S, VINTAGE MACHINERY & VEHICLES, STEAM ENGINES, HORSE RIDES, LIVE MUSIC, CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT, PETTING ZOO, MARKETS, FOOD TRUCKS, INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS, KIDS INFLATABLE ZONE, BULLOCK TEAM, BLACKSMITHS, RHYTHM & BEATS TENT, AGRICULTURAL DISPLAYS

NEW ADDITIONS: TRADITIONAL SHEEP SHEARING & LAWN MOWER RACING DEMONSTRATIONS

MC & PERFORMING ARTIST



MICK HARRINGTON



Scan Me

HEADLINE ARTIST



MAK & SHAR

