Gardens, Fete and Art Show

Congratulations and thanks are due to the very many people whose efforts made last weekend such an active and happy one at TAS. From the well supported Art Show that opened on Friday night through to the fairground atmosphere of the Fete and the warm welcome offered to visitors coming to enjoy the Open Garden, it was a great weekend. I have often commented that this weekend, with its focus on simply having fun as a community, is every bit as important as the big sporting and cultural events that are equally well attended and supported. The efforts that so many put into this weekend are a pure expression of support for the School and that reflects the cohesiveness of our community and the generosity of spirit that it carries. It was a pleasure to be a part of that community last weekend and I offer thanks to all who contributed to that feeling.

Year 10 Formal

On Friday night, Year 10 students signalled their readiness to move into their senior years as they celebrated with partners and parents at the Bowling Club. The night carried all the festivity that is fitting for an important occasion like this and it was obviously enjoyed by all there. I know that the parents involved in the organising committee put a great deal into the preparations for the Formal and the result was a great atmosphere and plenty of fun. As I commented on the night, it is a pleasure to work with such a fine group of students and I am looking forward to seeing all they will bring to their senior years.

Bivouac

The 2014 Activities Program moved into its final stages over the past few days as students from Year 6 to Year 11 headed away on Bivouac. This was the final preparation for Activities Week at the end of the month and reports indicate that all is on track for the challenges ahead.

Most, but perhaps not all, will know that ‘Activities’ is the term we use to refer to the collection of pursuits that make up our outdoor education program for Years 6 to 11. This includes Rangers for Year 6, Cadets for all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 and those who choose to continue in Years 10 and 11 as well as the options of Pioneers in Year 10 and Rural Fire Service, Surf Lifesaving and Pioneers Support in Year 11. This program has a long history that has seen it evolve as a central and distinguishing part of TAS life and our commitment to it is considerable. The philosophy behind it is a simple one; that genuine challenge that removes young people from their usual comfortable environment and requires them to develop skills as they work in a team is important preparation for life and it is relevant to everyone. This is why it is a compulsory part of life at TAS rather than an optional extra and I thank the many people; staff, parents and students, who support it so positively and generously.

Regional and National Singing

TAS students from right across the School, including soloist Andrew Knight, joined around 800 other singers and musicians from across the community for the annual New England Sings concerts last weekend. This opportunity to join a massed choir and perform publicly is a rare and memorable thing and I am very pleased that so many of our students were able to take advantage of it. Special thanks are due to our Director of Music, Leanne Roobol, and all her colleagues that made the weekend possible.

At the same time, Andrew Knight, Sam Thatcher and Ziggy Harris auditioned for the prestigious national youth choir, the Gondwana Singers. Congratulations are due to all three on their success in being selected and I wish them well as they prepare for the national camp in January.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term 4 - Week 5

Thursday 6 November  Twilight Music Concert (Hoskins)
Friday 7 November  Junior School Orienteering  
5.00pm Rowing Season Launch & Boat Naming at Malpas Dam

Term 4 - Week 6

Wednesday 12 November  Junior School Orientation Day  
6.30pm Evening Prayer  
6.30pm P&F Thank you Drinks  
7.30pm P&F Meeting
Thursday 13 November  Year 7 & 9 Vaccinations  
12 noon depart for Northern NSW 2014 Philosothon (Bishop Druitt College)
Friday 14 November  3.00pm TAS Company Members Meeting (TAS)  
5.00pm Jason Lincoln farewell (Hoskins Centre)  All Welcome!
Saturday 15 November  5.00pm Gala Organ Concert & 120 Year Celebration in Memorial Hall

Term 4 - Week 7

Wednesday 19 November  6.30pm Evening Prayer
Thursday 20 November  11.00am Inter-Schools Mountain Bike Race  
6.30pm Cash Cup
Saturday 22 November  8.30am Cadet Advance Party depart for Nymboida

Term 4 - Week 8

Monday 24 November  Activities Week
Tuesday 25 November  Activities Week  
Junior School Bike and Triathlon Day
Wednesday 26 November  Activities Week  
2:00pm T - Year 2 Final Assembly  
2:45pm Year 3 - 5 Final Assembly
Thursday 27 November  Activities Week
Friday 28 November  Activities Week  
6:00pm Year 5 Farewell Dinner
ACADEMIC

Project Mars at TAS

On 22 October the Year 10 Science/Mathematics Extension class, after months of preparation, had the opportunity to complete their mission on the Powerhouse Museum’s Mars Yard surface. They had identified geological objects of interest in their research groups and then as a class mapped out a suitable pathway for the Mars Yard Rover, Continuum. Continuum was significantly more difficult to operate than the Mars Yard’s usual Rover, Mawson, but the Mars Yard were extremely impressed with the skills of the TAS driving team (Charlie Wyatt, Jarrod Bourke, Angus Lloyd, Charlton Grant and Alister Braham). Robbie Pullar in charge of camera operations, stepped up as emergency driver when the Driving Team lost connection. Nathan Rasmussen had the crucial job of controlling pan/tilt cameras on the Rover and operating LIBS (laser-induced-breakdown spectroscopy), communicating superbly with the Mars Yard and Driving Team under pressure.

On 19 November 2014 all groups will have the opportunity to present their research findings to Astrobiologists from the UNSW, when some of the Mars Yard team from the Powerhouse Museum will be at TAS to film this presentation and interview the students about their experience. It has been a very unique opportunity with the class being only one of four to pilot the Project Mars program.

COUNSELLORS CORNER, ROB HADFIELD

Our everyday styles of relating to other people are connected to how we communicate, the patterns of transacting with others that we have acquired over time. Sometimes, it pays to have a look at these patterns because they may not serve us well. Perhaps they do not serve the relationships well.

We can become blind to the ways our communication styles affect other people, just presuming that what we are saying and how we are saying it, are fine. However, message intended is often not message received because we have not made the act of communication itself a deliberate focus of attention. We can, for example, believe that we have made a request of another person, when in fact we have made a demand; we may believe we have asked when in fact, we have made a statement. The receiver may resist us, or feel intimidated, or upset, simply by the way we deliver the message. In this way the mode of delivery itself, becomes the message.

It is helpful to check out how we are affecting others, whether we are alienating people or connecting with people. Perception is everything in this respect. We can learn to observe our own patterns and experiment with change. Because connectivity matters so much for our well-being, it is crucial that we learn to become effective communicators.
Annual Camp

General

Annual Camp represents the culmination of the year’s training. Annual Camp will be conducted over the period 23 - 28 November at Nymboida. Advance Parties including Q Store, Radio, 1 Platoon will depart on Saturday 22 November.

Outline of Activities

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Attendance

Annual Camp is an essential component of the school’s outdoor activity program and curriculum. As such, boys are required to attend and participate.

Organisation

- Cadets will work in platoon groups of up to 30, guided by their leaders and supervised by a member of staff.
- Cadets will camp in pairs in military style hootchies, and amenities blocks will facilitate showering and washing at Camp HQ.
- Most meals will be prepared and consumed in platoons, with some meals cooked and served centrally by Mr Tavener with rations drawn from a mixture of fresh food, canned food and ration packs.
- Cadets may bring supplementary food in the form of snacks etc. but it is not necessary to bring large quantities of canned or other packaged food, or lollies.
## Dress and Equipment

**Dress:**  
- A & B Coy cadets, & C Coy leaders - DPCU.  
- C Company cadets – greens.

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Kidney Cup*  
Mug  
Torch  
Thermal shirt*  
Swimmers  
Towel (small)  
Socks x 2*  
Raincoat (poncho)  
Toiletries (incl. sun cream, repellent)  
Change of underwear  
Pegs x 8 (for hootchie)*  
Rope/Cord x 10m (for hootchie)*  
Compass#  
Notebook in plastic bag  
Pens  
Plastic Bag for dirty/wet clothes  
Long sleeve shirt x 1  
Jeans trousers x 1  
Gym shoes old (Dunlop Volleys for canoeing & canyoning)  
Underwear x 5  
Socks x 3  
Shorts x 2  
T Shirts x 2  
Kit Bag  
2 x Plastic Garbage Bags (for waterproofing back pack and dirty laundry)  
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Camo/Green Jumper x 1  
Boots Bush x 1  
Ground Sheet  |                   |

*available at Q Store  
#available at Book Store

**N.B.**

- Pocket knives are **NOT** to be taken or carried by cadets. Only leaders can bring their own small pocket knife.
- An additional set of DPCU/greens will be available at camp on a one for one basis.
- Sandshoes are mandatory for water activities – Dunlop Volleys should be purchased.

**What not to Take**

- Boys are not to bring the following:  
  - Aerosol Cans  
  - Mobile Phones  
  - Matches/Lighters (except leaders)  
  - Other Electronic items (i.e Ipods, video games, etc)  
  - Anything valuable
Medical

- First Aid kits will be carried by each section, and staff will have access to more sophisticated medical kits. Serious cases of injury or illness will be evacuated to Armidale (bivouac) or Grafton (camp).
- Sister Murray will be attending Annual Camp again this year and will provide the valuable medical support that she has in past years. Please be sure to notify Sister Murray of any medical problems or medications that are not already known to the school.

Other

- Discipline: Normal school discipline applies, particularly with respect to contraband.
- Haircut: Cadets are to ensure they parade with appropriate length hair, above the collar and ears, and cropped on top and fringe. This is a requirement of Australian Army Cadets and significantly aids hygiene in the field. A haircut can be provided to non-compliant boys at camp.
- Laundry at Annual Camp: Laundry tubs are available at Camp. Cadets are expected to wash their own clothing where necessary.
- Weather: November is usually hot. Cadets must be prepared for this and carry an adequate supply of sun cream and insect repellent. Spring thunderstorms are also prevalent and cadets should bring an army style rain coat or can purchase a poncho from the Q Store.

Meals and Water

- All cadets must carry 2 L of town or purified water and maintain a high daily fluid intake.
- Food will be supplied via School catering and commercially purchased ration packs. Unfortunately, Army supplied ration packs are unavailable for Bivouac and Camp.

The Australian Defence Force (ADF) is unable to provide a severe food allergy free environment (such as from peanuts) in relation to the consumption of food during cadet activities. Such a risk may be life threatening for people who suffer from a severe food allergy. Parents may consider it is in their child’s best interest not to allow participation of their child in the proposed activity. In the event that the child is allowed to attend a catered cadet activity, the parents may choose to provide, at their own expense, sufficient food to cover the duration of the activity.

Cost

- The combined cost of bivouac and camp will be approximately $330 ($280 for Yr 7) and will be charged to your account. This cost also covers the use of additional qualified outdoor education staff required to maintain safe staffing ratios on the adventurous activities.

Conclusion

- This document is designed to give parents and boys early warning in order to provide time for planning and preparation for both Bivouac and Annual Camp. Further details will be issued to cadets during briefings prior to each event, and any enquiries should be directed to me or SGT Simon Ball in the Q Store.

T W THATCHER
Major
Commanding Officer
Gala Concert

A musical gift for Armidale to celebrate the launch of our grand new organ

Classical and choral performances by acclaimed organist Mr Warwick Dunham, TAS choirs and other special guest performers

Saturday November 15

TAS Memorial Hall

5pm - 8pm

Cost:

$30 p/h (includes cocktail food)

Bookings:

www.trybooking.com/GBOP
or TAS reception 6776 5800
Art Show & RazzamaTAS Fete 2014

What an amazing weekend we've just had at TAS starting on Friday night with the opening of the Art Show (which continued across the whole weekend) and then the Fete on Saturday.

This is not the forum to thank people individually, but to those of you who contributed in any way, both big and small, we extend to you a huge THANK YOU for your help in making these events a wonderful success.

The Art Show came together with a wonderful display of many different styles of art in the Hoskins Centre and, despite difficult weather on Saturday, good crowds again came to TAS and had fun times, listened to wonderful music, enjoyed a fabulous BBQ and made some very good buys.

Financials will be available at our next P&F General Meeting next Wednesday night, 12 November in Lower Maxwell.

TAS Puddings

Our famous TAS puddings are still available for sale in reception for $20.00. With our secret recipe, and made with love by a wonderful group of mums, be sure to add one to your menu for Christmas this year. After Saturday's successful fete we have limited puddings remaining, so if you don't want to miss out please contact Veronica at reception on 6776 5800 and place your order. All puddings need to be collected and paid for prior to Speech Day Thursday 4 December.

**Any leftover puddings will be donated to local charities**

Term 4 P&F General Meeting

On Wednesday 12 November we will be holding our final P&F General meeting for the year. This meeting will be held in the Lower Maxwell Room from 7.30pm, and will be an opportunity to wrap up the Fete and Art Show, and set planning in motion for 2015 – AGM, Liaison Parents and events.

All are welcome.

We will precede the General Meeting with thank you drinks from 6.30pm

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TAS P&F Association

**Thank You Drinks**

Wednesday 12 November, 2014 at 6:30pm in the Lower Maxwell Room

All those associated with the P&F during 2014 are most welcome to join them for thank you drinks.

To be followed by a P&F Meeting at 7:30pm

Please RSVP for catering to Sue Cartwright scartwr2@une.edu.au
Football

Details for the remaining trials for the Northern Inland Football Development Squad are below.

**Under 9 Boys and Girls Development squads (North)**

**Date:** Saturday 22 November

**Time:** 9:00am – 10:30am

**Venue:** Adamsfield TAS

Nomination forms can be obtained by clicking [here](#).

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**Armidale Fun Run - Sunday 1 November**

Nick Makeham and Sam Finlayson were the standout performers for TAS at last weekend’s Armidale Fun Run. From a field of 230 competitors, Nick placed a wonderful 4th (at 14 years of age) and Sam was closely behind him coming in 7th place. With a depleted TAS contingent due to Bivouac, 12 boys still made their presence known. KB Fergusson managed a sensational personal best knocking 2 minutes of his previous time. Young Harry Mason (12 years) was incredibly solid to finish 35th outright. Jack Kaynes and Brough Whibley demonstrated the value of some very hard training this term to set great times and were justifiably proud of their efforts at the end.

**Jim Pennington**

**MIC Triathlon/Athletics/Swimming**

**TAS Results**

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**Nick Makeham** (pictured above - from Walcha) placed 4th overall in the 5km Armidale Fun Run on Sunday.

**Brough Whibley** (pictured above - from Moree) demonstrates the value of what solid training and hard work can achieve.
TAS ROWING

The Headmaster, Mr Murray Guest, has much pleasure in inviting you to the launch of the 2014/2015 TAS Rowing Season and Boat Naming Ceremony. To launch the season, a barbecue and exhibition row will commence from 5pm at Malpas Dam on Friday 7 November. All welcome to attend. Please RSVP to TAS Reception on 6776 5800 by Wednesday 5 November.

MUSIC MATTERS

TAS Art Show - Senior Jazz Combo Gig

The TAS community was treated to some fabulous jazz from the Senior Jazz Combo last Friday evening at the Art Show. What a wonderful event this was - with nibbles, drinks, a feast of art and jazz music! What more could we ask for? Many thanks to all the members of the Combo. Particular mention and thanks must go to our outgoing Year 12 students - Will Smith, Sam Doyle, Morgan Broadbent-Wicks and Clarry Butcher who had only just completed their HSC on Friday morning!

RazzamaTAS Fete - Thank you to the Big Band and Wind Ensemble!

Fete day arrived on Saturday and the bands were fortunate to have an opportunity to entertain the crowds with some upbeat and exciting charts. From Sesame Street, which captured the hearts of the younger audience, through to old hits like Smoke on the Water, there was plenty of toe-tapping from the audience.

The boys were outstanding with their performance, combining musicality with good old fun and excitement into the songs they played. Particular mention goes to the younger members of the combined band who learned some new songs and performed admirably with their older peers supporting them.

A huge thank you to all the boys involved, the staff that organised and guided the boys, as well as the parents - who ferried, chauffeured and taxied boys around on a very busy weekend of music in Armidale.

Also, a huge thank you to the audiences who cheered and clapped the boys along. Your support shows the boys how much we all appreciate the hard work and commitment that they give to the ensembles at TAS.

New England Sings! is over for another year...

Phew.. What a weekend! While the fete was in full swing on Saturday morning a committed group of students from TAS were attending rehearsals for the NE Sings! concerts on Sunday. Over 40 students from Junior School were transported to and from rehearsals on a bus in the morning. Members of Year 9/10 elective music classes, TAS Singers and also AYO instrumentalists played and sang their way through some intense rehearsals in the morning and then the afternoon on Saturday. All this hard work culminated in two amazing NE Sings! concerts on Sunday.

We are sure all students who were involved feel a great sense of achievement and had a fantastic experience being part of such a huge community event. Thank you students for your commitment over the weeks leading up to the event and especially for your time over the weekend just gone. Special thanks to TAS parents for assisting us to organise your sons and daughters to be part of such a great initiative. The music department team also wishes to acknowledge the hard work of Junior School staff, Ms Fiona Chappell and Mr Ian Lloyd.

Ms Roobol, Mrs Butcher, Mr Finco and Mrs Broadbent
The next few weeks

You’ll know by now that there’s little ‘down time’ at TAS. The boys are so much better busy than bored. We’ll be busy too over the coming weeks finalizing Yearly Reports, as well as looking towards and planning for our end of year activities. The final term is a good one and I think the boys benefit greatly from the various activities offered. A number of these involve opportunities to forge mutually dependent relations and these, in turn, enable stronger friendships. There are parts of days when you’re inclined to think otherwise, but generally the boys do ‘look out’ for one another and this is what makes working with them a relatively easy task.

Lessons over the next weeks will be valuable, too. I’ve indicated in the past that the value of exams at this level, especially, is technique. Teachers will revisit exams, indicating where and how ‘things’ could have been better done, Units will be concluding and preparations will be made for their academic programs next semester.

Bivouac

Monday and Tuesday were bivouac days for all Middle School boys. Now that the exam period is finished, that other part of the boys’ time at school begins its operation in earnest. The one night they have spent out this week is good preparation for the Cadet Camp later this month. In fact the bivouac and camp are the culmination of the previous five Activities Days throughout the year. The boys will be given opportunity to put skills learned to the test. I think the themes of bush craft and self-sufficiency are important, encouraging individual pursuit and, importantly, teamwork. Staff have invested many hours in their preparation of various activities and, once it has begun, boys will probably find these enjoyable. On Wednesday all boys will be back in class and, as indicated in previous TAS Talks the work they will do is designed to consolidate knowledge and will serve as excellent preparation for next year’s coursework. In short, as you know, what happens between now and the Christmas break is important to their academic wellbeing next year.

Reports

As has been the case in previous years, School Reports for the second semester should be available for collection or posting around Speech Day. Overall, the examination period seems to have progressed well and I’m pleased with the level of preparation of boys. I want to acknowledge here the staff who have worked very hard with all students to ensure the best personal outcomes for each. Long gone thankfully are the days where students were presented with exam papers and expected to answer them. The work sheets and booklets the Middle School boys received have been discussed and sample questions and ‘modelled’ work have been given in those courses that requiring same. In particular, I thank again Homeroom staff on behalf of all concerned for their careful management and operation of a week that could have been fraught with difficulty. Unscathed, the boys are now a little better prepared, especially in terms of technique and time management, for next year’s examination periods.

Mr Mark Harrison
RazzamaTAS Fete

Last weekend, we had yet another very successful RazzamaTAS Fete and the input and support from our families was outstanding. To all our community, thank you for your efforts as I know our children (and many others) thoroughly enjoyed themselves throughout this very important school event.

New England Sings

With almost 50 students attending, the NE Sings! Concert last Sunday was a memorable occasion. In a packed Lazenby Hall, our students and those from all over the New England participated in and witnessed a stunning range of performances. For young students to have the opportunity to see choral and orchestral excellence is an experience not to be missed and I know that many were surprised with just how much they gained from the experience. It was a stunning event, very warmly received by all and I was very proud of the way our children contributed throughout.

Junior School Orientation Morning - Wednesday 12 November

On Wednesday 12 November, all Junior School students will have a morning where they can become familiar with the expectations for their year group in 2015. Designed to familiarise students with the academic, physical and classroom structures and practices, this time allows for a fun way for all to get to know their classrooms and their teachers a little better before the beginning of next year.

Bike and Triathlon Day Tuesday 25 November

Please note the date, Tuesday 25 November, for this fantastic day in Junior School, as it is imperative that all bikes are in very sound working order. I welcome you to TAS during the day to either see the morning activities and/or to watch the triathlon after lunch in the afternoon.

Cars and Junior School

Again I request that our parents are extremely careful with the dropping off and collection of their children at school. In particular, we ask that no cars come to the Transition car park and that the main drop off point remains the Chapel St car park. Wherever children and cars share a common location, we stress the importance of extra vigilance and slow speed. Please let me know if there are issues and we will look at creating the safest system as we possibly can.

Activities Day – Languages Day

Thank you to all the wonderful support staff that came into the Junior School to make the Languages Day such a success. It was a hectic day – French Culture, Pete the Sheep and Swimming all in the one day. What wonderful organisation by Madame Kathryn Tammenga and her team – it was a wonderful day and the stories you have heard no doubt reinforce this!

Lost Property

Please check all items of clothing that have arrived at your home are clearly labeled, and to ensure wrong items have not accidentally been collected through out the year.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week: Archie McDonald and Lance Latham.

HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL, IAN LLOYD
Looking Ahead

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Miniball

The draw has been set for the remainder of this term (as below). All miniball games are played at the Armidale High School Den. Buses are organised to take the children from TAS to the Den but all children must be collected from the Den at the end of their games.

The draw can also be found [here](#)

**Round 5 (Week 6) – 10 November**

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The annual Armidale Schools Orienteering Championships are being held this Friday. After taking out the Championship last year, our Year 3-6 children are keen to do their best out at the Pine Forest on Friday.

Important information for the day:

What to wear – TAS sports clothes, hat, watch (one per team)
What to bring – sunscreen and a water bottle (asthma puffer if required)
Time – We will leave TAS at 9:00am for a 9:30am start. We should return by 11:00am. Travel by Edwards Coaches.

Class teachers will accompany each class for this event. For any further information please contact Mrs Christine Wright (Junior School Sports Coordinator) cwright@as.edu.au

Holiday Borrowing from the Library

Over the summer holidays books may not be borrowed from the school library.

The library will work as below for the last weeks of the school year:

**Week 6**
- Overdue notices. Library lesson.

**Week 7**
- All books to be returned. Library lesson.

**Week 8**
- Activities week. Stocktaking in the library.
- No library lessons. No student entry at any time.

**Week 9**
- Final week. No borrowing.

TAS Red

Taking on Mrs Trenerry’s mighty TAS Blue team, the Reds knew they were in for a tough match. Beginning the game with the ‘no steal’ rule, things got very congested in the key and at both ends of the court and teams were finding it hard to take shots. Despite this, a first half highlight was a long bomb from way out by Oliver Smart that was all net. The Blues were definitely playing a more open game and at half time all of our Reds agreed that we needed to mark tighter and be hungrier for the ball if we were to get on top.

In what was becoming quite a physical game, Michael Janda was benched with a ball that knocked him in the face, whilst Isabel Newton learned that catching with hands is better than with her noggin. In the second half, the likes of Isabella Rutledge and Lewis Graham were working hard to get good position and receive some nice assists as they moved the Reds score line to a handy lead. Even so, the Blues had not given up and tight defence was the order of the day. Point by point the Blues fought back until with nine seconds left Sophia Rutledge had two shots at the line to level. With the first shot missed, the game was seemingly lost for the Blues. However, after scoring her second shot and bringing the score to 12 - 11, the Reds somehow relinquished possession from the baseline pass to allow the Blues to score one more field goal on the siren to take the game 12 - 13. TAS Red plays the late game at 4.50 next week against the Town Terriers. For those requiring it, a bus will transport players from Homework Centre to the game.

Mr Alex Portell
GALA CONCERT
12pm Sunday November 23, 2014
Lazenby Hall, UNE

Armidale Youth Orchestras Gala Concert 2014
Sunday November 23 at 12pm
Lazenby Hall, University of New England

TICKETS: www.trybooking.com/GBJU • Family: $35
Adults: $15 • Pensioners/students $10 • Children $5
NEJRU fielding teams from 12s to 17s at the NSW Country Junior Rugby Championships in May/June 2015.

Trials: TAS Backfield
Sunday 9 November  11am - 1pm
Wednesday 19 November  5 - 630 pm

For more information phone: 0447 787 120