



# OCTOBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Hi everyone and welcome to October! The month of Footy Finals and warmer weather.

Anyone wishing to add content to our Diary can leave their entries on the piece of paper in the Post Office or email me at [newsletter@barmedman.com.au](mailto:newsletter@barmedman.com.au) with details. It can be about the coming month – or something in the future.

Please leave/email your entries before the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month. Thank you for your input!



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## CLASSIFIEDS:

If anyone has any classifieds they would like to include in our Diary – please feel free to write them on the sheet at the Post Office or email me at [newsletter@barmedman.com.au](mailto:newsletter@barmedman.com.au) by the 21<sup>st</sup> of any month. It can be For Sale, Wanted etc.

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## GENERAL NEWS

REMINDER: Daylight Saving starts again on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 3a.m. (AEST) Perhaps remember to turn any clocks **FORWARD** one hour on the Saturday night before retiring.



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Barmedman Tennis Club summer comp is starting up again Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Anyone interested in playing please contact Nikki on 0457407932. Newcomers welcome!

For newcomers - Barmedman Tennis Club runs a Summer tennis competition catering for all ages and abilities. A Saturday afternoon competition is available in Winter.

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A very successful working bee and spring clean was held recently in the main street. Approximately 20 local residents attended and there were apologies from some that had other commitments.

Curbs were painted and shop fronts painted. Paint was supplied by the Tidy Towns committee. Drinks and sausage sizzle by Barmedman General Store & Takeaway, and ice by the Bowling Club. It is lovely to see the results of this working bee. Well done to everyone involved. The Council is being approached for assistance to continue to beatification of the main street.

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Work has begun at the Barmedman Recreation Ground. State Govt money is being used to build us all a great community area for recreation, parties, markets and other events with a new barbecue shelter with 2 electric barbecues, tables and seating under cover, lighting as well as power points under the shade sails. One end of which is hoped to be a playground for the smaller locals. Exciting times for Barmedman.

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Have you ever noticed the “Horse Trough” on Loftus Street near the Memorial Park and wondered about its origin? A local resident has provided a Wikipedia website to read more about these historical landmarks and how they came to be. It is a good read.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bills\\_horse\\_troughs](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bills_horse_troughs)



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With the warmer months approaching the Mineral Pool will start being filled around the beginning of October, weather pending. As for a Working Bee a date hasn't been decided yet – but keep an eye out for notices about it. All help is always appreciated.



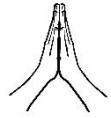
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Unfortunately, this year's Barmedman Modified Tractor Pull event will not be going ahead due to COVID restrictions. The Committee are looking forward to trying again next year. We're sure it will be bigger and better than ever in 2021!

## ON THIS MONTH:

### CHURCH SERVICES:

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October - St John's Anglican Church – 11 am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October - St Joseph's Catholic Church – 8 am Mass  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October - St John's Anglican Church – 11 am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October - St Joseph's Catholic Church – 8 am Mass



### BIBLE STUDY:

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 2.30 p.m.  
For more information please ring Keith on 0408003760



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Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Barmedman Branch -  
NSW Farmers Association Harvest Meeting  
To be held at Barmedman Bowling Club at 6.30 p.m.  
Guest Speaker GrainCorp Area Manager – Rodney Crowe

N.B. Meeting will be conducted under COVID-19 guidelines of the Bowling Club and NSWFA

**ALL FARMERS** are urged to attend not just NSWFA members. Everyone is welcome. It will be important to find out how harvest is going to run at the silos with COVID conditions and deliveries.

Any queries contact: Lisa Minogue (NSWFA Barmedman Branch Secretary) 0427763023

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### DRYLAND FIELD WHEAT & CANOLA COMPETITION



NSW Farmers Barmedman Branch in conjunction with Agricultural Societies Council of NSW are conducting a dryland field wheat competition. NSW Farmers Barmedman Branch are hosting the canola competition.



The winning wheat crop in the local competition will be entered into the ASC Regional Championship.

This competition is open to **all farmers** in the Barmedman district.

Entries close **18<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

Entries to: John Minogue 0428 763 023 or Andy Taylor 0408 004 553

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October is traditionally “Footy Finals” month in Australia and this year has been a challenging one for organisers due to COVID-19.

*2020 AFL Grand Final* – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October. This will mark a historical event, as it will be the first time ever that a GF has been held outside of Victoria. It is being held at The Gabba. And in another first – this year the game will be played at night.

*2020 NRL Grand Final* – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October. This is the latest in October that the NRL GF has been held due to its Covid-19 hiatus during the season.

Good luck to your favourite team in the finals!



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## A FEW THINGS HAPPENING IN OCTOBER

### 1 - 31 – Mental Health Month NSW

Mental Health Month NSW is part of a national mental health promotion campaign held throughout October each year. The timing of the campaign centres on World Mental Health Day, which is marked each year on October 10. For more information: <http://mentalhealthmonth.wayahead.org.au/>

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



<https://www.canceraustralia.gov.au/about-us/campaigns-events/breast-cancer-awareness-month>

<https://www.bcna.org.au/> <https://www.mcgrathfoundation.com.au/> <https://www.cancer.org.au/pink-ribbon>

### 17 - 23 – Book Week

Each year, many schools and public libraries from all over Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators. Classroom teachers, teacher librarians and public librarians develop activities, offer competitions and tell stories relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading.

This year’s theme: “Curious Creatures, Wild Minds” <https://cbca.org.au/cbca-book-week>

### 27 October (date to be confirmed) - Big Cake Bake

Big Cake Bake is a delicious way to raise funds for Red Cross and help *bake the world a better place*.

<https://www.bigcakebake.org.au/> Organisation: Red Cross

### 1 – 31 - WALKTOBER

Physical Activity Australia have renamed October, 'Walktober' - Australia's walking month! It's the ideal time to celebrate walking. October is that time of year when you feel a 'spring' in your step; the weather is warming up and it's a great time to get outside. <https://www.bluearth.org/walktober/>

### 30 – Day For Daniel (Morcombe)

The Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and harm prevention.

<https://danielmorcombe.com.au/>

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Barmedman's population increased by 1 during September. A big welcome to baby Maizie – and Congratulations and best wishes to parents Jamie Jones and Tiana Byrnes.



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## HANDY HINTS



Have you ever wondered if you can freeze biscuits and cookies???

Yes, biscuits and cookies that are unfilled can be frozen for up to two months. Once cooked and cooled, store them in layers, divided by sheets of baking paper, in an airtight container in the freezer!

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Knee high boots will keep their shape when not being worn by cutting a pool noodle down to the right height and placed into them.



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## JUST FOR LAUGHS

A man tells his doctor, "Help me. I'm addicted to Twitter!" The doctor replies, "Sorry, I'm not following you."



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I needed a password eight characters long, so I picked Snow White and the Seven Dwarves

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Conjunctivitis.com – that's a site for sore eyes.



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I told my doctor that I broke my arm in two places. He told me to stop going there.

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*Hope everyone has a healthy and happy October. Keep an eye out for those wriggly things slithering on the ground from now on as the weather warms up. There's been a fair few sightings already. Eek! Look forward to hearing from more of you for our November newsletter. Where is this year going? Remember to still stay safe.*