



# DEEPWATER

## PROGRESS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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We acknowledge the elders (past, present and future) of the Ngoorabul people.

The Deepwater Sewing group had a most wonderful display of their work at the Community Expo on 10 May. The photos show some of the great work.



The sewing group began on 25/1/2005 in the CWA Hall (with Joyce Dixon) and moved to their room here in the School of Arts Hall on 29/9/2011 after the CWA branch closed here in the village. Thanks to Jan Bastardi and Trish McCowen who called a meeting with Joyce and the group has now grown to many who sew, knit, quilt or just cut fabric among friends who chat and support each other. What the Men's Shed is to men this Sewing Group is to women. It is so popular it has gone from twice a month to every week – fee of \$5 per session. You can bring your

unfinished projects to the sessions. Many donations of fabric and wool are used in their creations.

They have given items to many hospitals, and Mary Hollingworth often delivers these items to places like newborn ICU at Liverpool, the Wesley, Newcastle, Mt Druitt. In 2021 they were nominated for an Australia Day Volunteer Community Organisation Award.

The wonderful creations of handmade felt fur hats by Trudy were a hit.

What started as an acknowledgment to

the amazing generosity and incredible work of the Sewing group over the last 20 years became the Community Expo earlier in May, and on 10 May over 100 people came through the Hall to chat to members of many groups.

We thank Willem van der Heul for the RFS, Jannette Daly and David Vine for the Progress Assoc/Jockey Club, Wendy Johnsen for Pottery and Art group, Keith Hunter for Railway Historical Society, Cath Wheatley for the Royal Far West, Donna Hill and Jenny Wilson for the Vision Radio and Church in the Shed, Trudy Cooper and Penny McCowen for the Anglican and Mark and Annette Osborne for the Catholic church, Ginny Dittwald-Phipps, Karen Carr and Emma Keenan for the public school and preschool, Mary Hollingworth for the Hall, Christine Davis for Glenrac, all the team for SES, Chris McIntosh for the Tennis Club, Scott Macansh for the Golf Club, Miranda for the Library and Jan Bastardi for the Sewing Group.

We thank Eileen Thomson and Joe Nichols for cooking the sausages for us too. Old friends became re-acquainted, new friends were made and lots of willing hands worked together to help secure the future of our little village life.



Emma Keenan and Karen Carr



Trudy Cooper and Penny McCowen



Tricia Stack and Jannette Daly



Mark and Annette Osborne



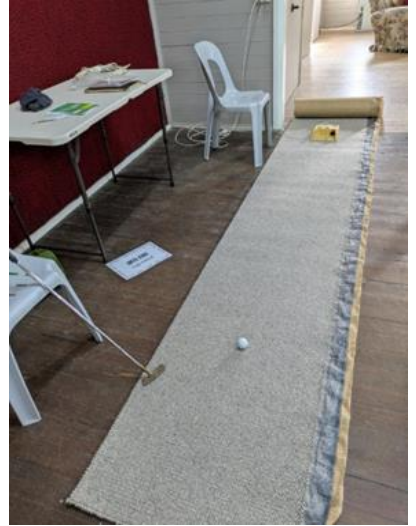
Wendy Johnsen



Willem van der Heul



Jenny Wilson



Thanks Miranda



Chris McIntosh



Courtesy Christine Davis

During this week honouring **all** volunteers, we took the opportunity to thank the following **members** of the Progress Association who volunteer so honourably.

- Malene Sanders, Joe Nichols, Eileen Thomson,
- Willem van der Heul, Joanne Green,
- David Gibbs, Chris and Jannette Daly,
- William Jolly, Ted and Tricia Stack,
- Keith Hunter, Julie Johnson, Chris McIntosh,
- Mary Hollingworth, David Vine,
- Robert and Donna Hill.

(Apologies if we have missed anyone.)



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by Chris McIntosh

NOBODY SAW IT appear, or admitted knowing how it got there, but the piano floating several metres above the main street was quite real. The local kids had proved that – first with some gravel scraped out of the gutter, then with someone's cricket ball. The ball had broken off a piece of decorative timber moulding from the front, a piece of timber that the town pharmacist now fidgeted with as he regarded the piano thoughtfully.

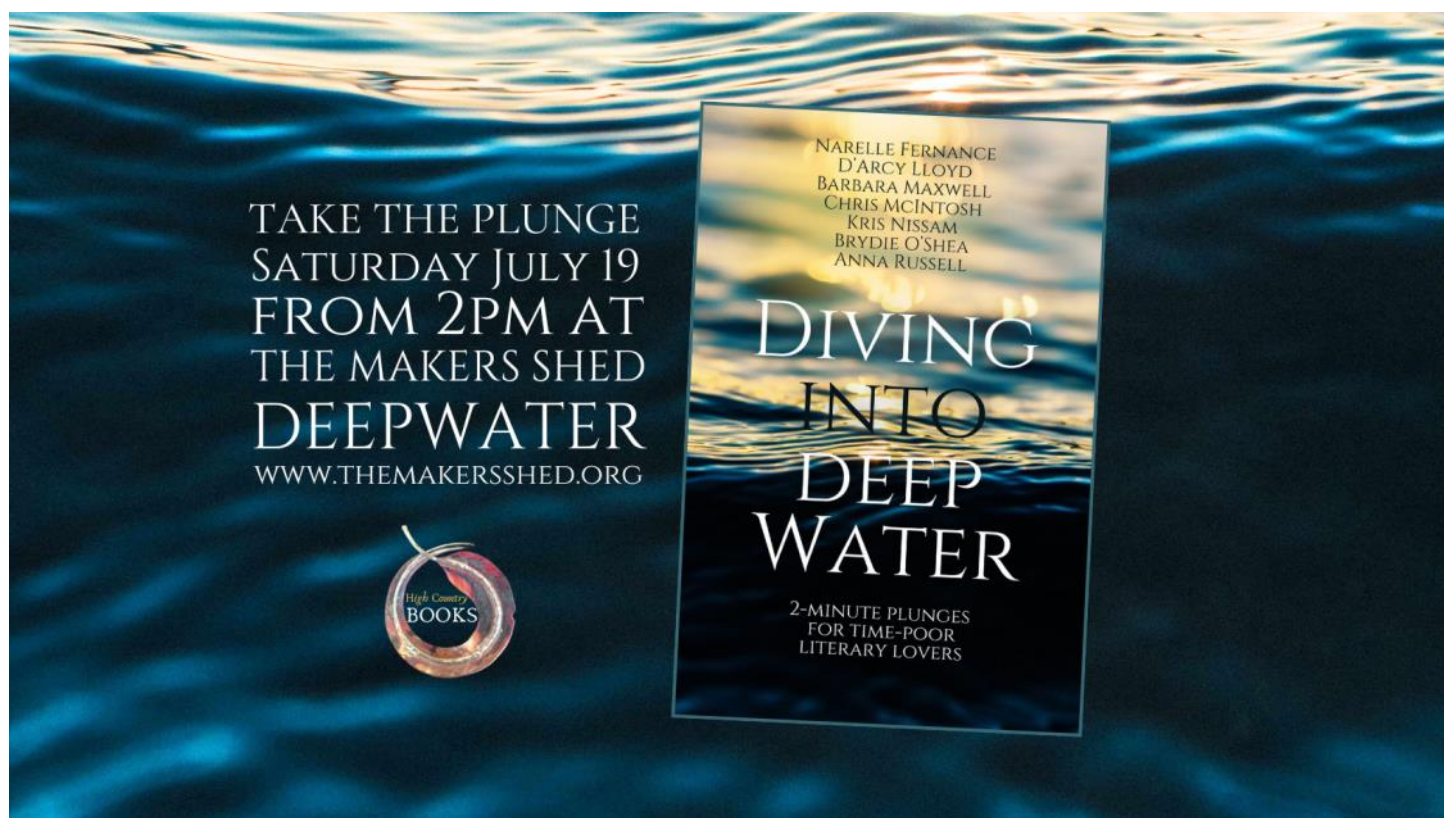
The ball hadn't moved the piano at all, not even an inch. Neither had the hot westerly breeze bringing in the afternoon dust. It didn't appear to be hanging in the sky, just stuck. It had the weight and presence of any normal piano, but it was in the wrong place.

The crowd gathered, and discussed their theories. People took selfies with the 'Ghost Piano', the 'Sky Steinway'. The town cop put some witches hats in a rough circle under it and told everyone to keep their distance, in case whatever was holding it up ... stopped. Within an hour the publican had named a cocktail after it, and was promoting it on the hotel Facebook page. Soon after, it had its own Twitter account. A girl posted video to TikTok, shouting, 'Go home piano, you're drunk!'

Somehow, nobody saw the piano disappear, either. There was a noise like high-voltage electricity, a crack like a stock-whip, and when everyone looked up it was gone. It hadn't fallen, caught fire or flown away – it simply wasn't there any more. Some people claimed there was a strange lingering odour, but others said they couldn't smell anything. A week later people were still talking about it; a month later, not so much. The Twitter account went dormant, its final tweet: 'Float like a piano, sting like a bee.'

In a locked drawer at the town pharmacy was a small broken piece of timber moulding.

*This story is one of almost eighty pieces of original short fiction and non-fiction collected in Diving Into Deep Water, a publication by High Country Books. Written by participants from Deepwater, Ashford, Glen Innes, Inverell, Bingara and Grafton, the book will be launched by Kristy Reading of ABC New England North West from 2pm on Saturday July 19th at The Makers Shed as part of Winter at The Shed, a free event. More details at [www.themakersshed.org](http://www.themakersshed.org)*



## Notices

The Deepwater School of Arts Hall committee are delighted to see the Hall being used by the Community. However due to the requirements of Crown Lands (the hall is on Crown Land) – all bookings need to be recorded.

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**Who? Mums with little ones**

**Where? Deepwater Anglican Church, Forbes St**

**When? Weekly each Monday**

**Time? 1pm-3pm**

**What do I bring? Just you and your little ones!**

**Refreshments? Lunch/tea/coffee will be provided**

**We look forward to seeing you there!**



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## Sudoku

4		2						
				3	8			
	9						1	8
						6		1
				7	5	3		
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				5	6	1		
		3	9	4				
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*Pedini*

*"We should get out to the country more often."*

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**Vice President:** Charles Kilby

**Secretary:** Tricia Stack

**Treasurer:** Jannette Daly



# WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH



## Church Services:

**Anglican Church Service** (Forbes Street Deepwater & Moore Street Emmaville)

The Church services alternate weekly between Deepwater and Emmaville if a Month has five Sundays the 5th Sunday will be in Torrington

Sunday June	1	Deepwater	9 am
Sunday June	8	Emmaville	9 am
Sunday June	15	Deepwater	9 am
Sunday June	22	Emmaville	9 am
Sunday June	29	Torrington	9 am
Sunday July	6	Deepwater	9 am



**Church Wardens Deepwater** - Reuben Cooper 0499 868 321      **Emmaville** - Heather Reynolds 0428 347 252

**Catholic Church Service** (Simpson Street)

Sunday at 10 am

**Church in the Shed** (Deepwater School Of Arts Hall Tenterfield Street)

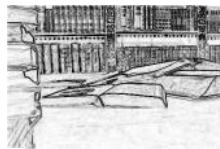
Sundays at 10 am

## Deepwater Rubbish Tip Hours:

Thursday 10:00 am – 2:00 pm      Saturday: 1:00 pm -3pm      Sunday: 10am -12 noon

## Library Service:

Wednesday 10 am - 12 pm and 1.30 pm - 4 pm



## Preschool:

at the CWA Hall

Tuesday 9.00am – 3.00pm

Thursday 9.00am – 3.00pm



## Progress Association Meeting

Wednesday 11th June 7 pm at the School of Arts Hall

*(Code Of Conduct Rules will be followed)*

Everyone welcome.

## Sewing Group

Meets Monday's at the School of Arts Hall

9am to 4pm - leave when you want to.



## Tiny Tots Group

For Mums with little ones

Mondays 1pm—3 pm At the Anglican Church Deepwater

Refreshments provided.

Contact Trudy 0428 266 417 or Penny 0408 728 149

4	8	2	5	1	9	3	7	6
7	6	1	2	3	8	4	5	9
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8	4	9	7	5	6	1	2	3
1	7	3	9	4	2	8	6	5
2	5	6	3	8	1	9	4	7

Sudoku answer

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1 Ticket for \$2  
or  
3 Tickets for \$5

