

TALLONG TWITTERINGS

Calling Tallong...

NBN Co has plans for a fixed wireless facility to serve the Tallong area with fast wireless broadband services.

While most of Australia will enjoy fibre optic, about four per cent of the country will be connected by fixed wireless technology with promises of download speeds of up to 12 megabits per second and one megabit per second upload. This would be a great improvement on what's available at the moment.

NBN Co is currently preparing drawings for two sites in Tallong Park. A sub-committee of the Tallong Park Association is drawing up a full report on the technology and the advantages of a fixed wireless facility in the Tallong district.

New Apple Day attraction...

A new event in this year's Apple Day Festival on Sunday 4th May is a Fleece to Garment contest in which four teams of spinners, knitters and felters will compete to produce a garment from a fleece shorn on the day.

Teams are coming from the Goulburn Handweavers & Spinners and other groups from the district. And of special interest, the Illawarra Feltmakers are sending teams to compete with the spinners and knitters. It promises to be a fun competition with a trophy and other prizes.

Memories of Tallong Public...

Organisers of this year's celebrations in October to mark 100 years of schooling in Tallong are seeking help from former students. Are there any ex-pupils or teachers from the 1970s to the 1990s who would be prepared to contribute to a book of "Memories of Tallong Public" which will be published to coincide with the centenary?

Anyone who can help should contact Janet or Dugald on 4841 0613. They are also on the look-out for photographs.

Congrats Eloise...

Eloise Matthews, the daughter of the Tallong Public School principal Sue Matthews, was named the Young Citizen of the Year at Goulburn's Australia Day celebrations. Eloise was acclaimed for her academic and leadership achievements as well as her volunteering work at a local aged care facility.

Vale Jim Watling...

The Tallong community is mourning the recent death of local stalwart Jim Watling. Aged 77, Jim was the loved husband of Frances, father of Kathleen and John, grandfather of Timothy and Scott, great-grandfather of Bailey.

Jim was a member of the Tallong Fire Brigade that fought the disastrous Chatsbury/Bungonia bush fires of 1965. The fires destroyed many buildings in Tallong and most of the orchards of the area. Eventually, the Watling's orchards recovered and Jim and his wife Fran began selling out of the Big Apple Shed that is still a landmark in the village. The community extends condolences to the Watling family on the loss of Jim.

Break-in...

Police have been investigating a recent break-in at St Stephen's Church in Tallong. It seems someone managed to find the key to the donations' box, take the money, lock the box again and replace the key.

The theft has angered residents and particularly because of what appears to be such a well-planned operation for a quite modest amount of money.