



KAMILAROI HIGHWAY



Great Divide to the Great Outback

*Jaama
Ngiyani gulbiyaay nginda
Kamilaroi highway ngaarrrma
dhuma-li nginda mingaaya
dhaay gaba marragula guniyal,
Gomerroi walaaybaa.*

WE WELCOME YOU TO THE KAMILAROI HIGHWAY.
A JOURNEY THAT WILL TAKE YOU FROM THE MOUNTAINS
TO THE PLAINS, THROUGH GOMEROI COUNTRY.
- JASON ALLEN, KAMILAROI MAN WALHALLOW

THE HERITAGE

The Kamilaroi is made up of numerous communities and bands that have occupied the regions of north-western New South Wales for many centuries and according to Kamilaroi tradition, ever since the Dreaming. The people within these communities all spoke very similar dialects, each a variety of Kamilaroi. The word Kamilaroi or Gamilaraay comes from the Kamilaroi language, gamil, meaning “no” and araa meaning “having”.

Aboriginal occupation of the area was always focused along major water sources and generally radiated outwards. There were many independent Kamilaroi communities consisting of approximately 150 people which occupied well-defined lands; an area within which they may gather and hunt food. Neighbouring communities were not welcome within another’s territory unless invited or for a specific gathering.

The Kamilaroi are understood to have felt spiritually connected to their “country” and to have employed land management systems to actively ensure that the resources used to survive would be available indefinitely. These land management systems were linked to the Kamilaroi’s social organization.

THE HIGHWAY

Named after the traditional owners, the sealed Highway links the Hunter Valley with Outback NSW.

This 600-kilometre journey begins just across the Great Dividing Range at Willow Tree, before following the course of the Namoi River as it makes its way toward the Darling River then on to Bourke.

This is the agricultural heartland of NSW, growing everything from wheat and cotton to sunflowers and sorghum. Attractions of these lands range from the sight of giant combine harvesters travelling through acres of grain to mountain vistas and Dorothea Mackellar’s “sunburnt plains”.

The journey passes through many attractive towns such as Bourke, Brewarrina, Walgett, Lightning Ridge, Narrabri, Gunnedah, Quirindi and Willow Tree.

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How Opal came to be

JUNE BARKER

A long time ago in the dreamtime, one of the most beautiful of all creatures was Pallah-Pallah the butterfly, with her most dazzling multi-coloured wings.

She lived happily with her family near the reeds of the Coocoran Lake. She would often wonder why the high mountains they could see a long way away were covered in white, and the white on the tops of the mountains would shine when the sun shone on them.

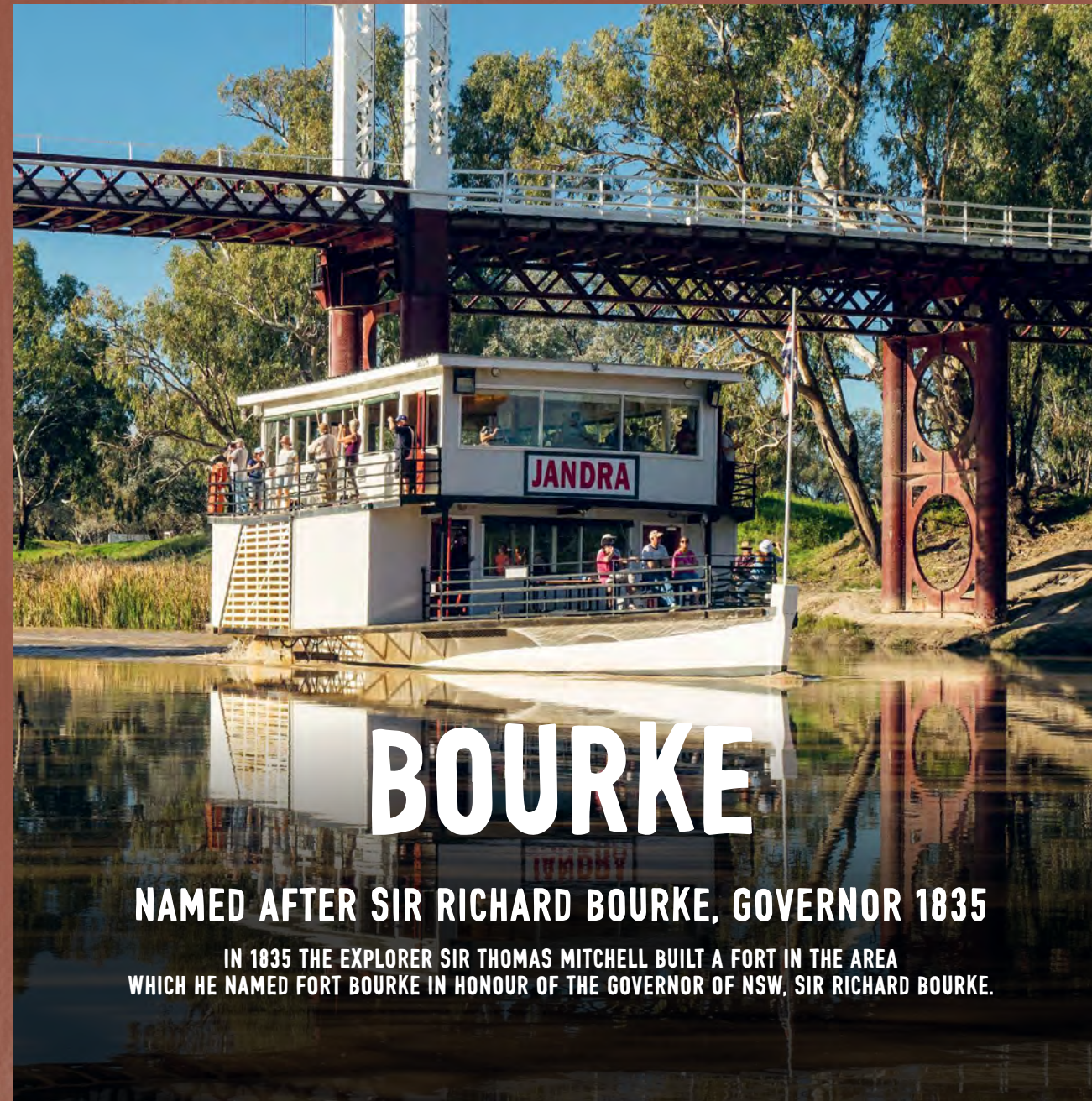
Her husband who was named Ballah-Ballah often told her not to leave the safety of the grasses and reeds that grew around their home on the beautiful clear water lake. But one day her husband went fishing, Pallah-Pallah thought she would go and have a quick look at the white on the mountains. When she flew up high everyone saw her beautiful coloured wings and said “she looks like a rainbow.”

Pallah-Pallah flew higher and higher, and she could see the mountains covered in white. She was excited and said “I will go right up there and see this white for myself, then I will return and tell my husband.”

As she reached the high mountains snow began to fall, snow beat down on the frail and weak Pallah-Pallah. She fell to the ground and the snow covered her, she didn’t die but lay quiet and went to sleep while the snow fell and buried her.

She lay under the snow until the spring came. As the snow melted away so did Pallah-Pallah’s beautiful colours. The colour just disappeared, melting into the snow. As the snow melted down the mountains and across the plains the colours ran with them to disappear into the ground near the lakes and ridges. Pallah-Pallah looked at her wings and they were no longer beautiful. She returned to her husband and family and everyone was sad to see that she was no longer a beautiful butterfly but a plain moth, just grey and brown. The beautiful colours that disappeared from Pallah-Pallah’s wings and went into the ground at the Morillah-stone ridges and lakes formed the colours of the rainbow on the dazzling opal stones.

That is how the opal came to be.



‘Back O Bourke’ - one of the most recognisable terms in the Australian vernacular, but where, or rather ‘what’ is it? Far more than a geographic location, the Back O’ Bourke is the deep, innate gravitational draw that all Australians feel toward the vast centre of this continent. The undeniable knowledge that, just over the mountains, just beyond the fences, lawns and commerce of our cities and towns, there lies the real Australia.

It is people and it is landscape, solitude and mateship. It encompasses history, art and nature, as well as invention and ingenuity. Small towns and big distances, wide open plains and narrow tracks. As much a concept as it is a reality, and only ever truly understood through experience.

Kamilaroi highway

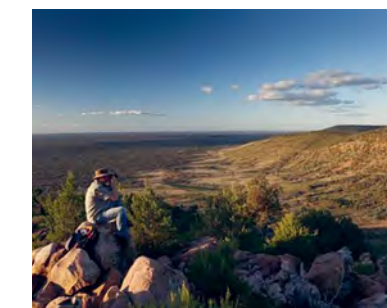
BOURKE

to Brewarrina (97.9km) >>

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DAY ONE

Discover the Back O’ Bourke



Back O’ Bourke Information & Exhibition Centre

Kidman Way, Bourke NSW 2840

www.backoubourke.com.au

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DAY TWO

Nature + wildlife

Mt Oxley, rising from the perfectly flat landscape, has without question the best views of the area. A must see panorama stretches as far as the eye can see. The sunsets at Mt Oxley are stunning with vibrant pinks and purples painting the sky.

Visit Gundabooka National Park, go on one of the many walks to find the Aboriginal rock art. There are great places for camping, including sites for caravans, motorhomes and tents, or you can stay in the historic Redbank Homestead or Shearers’ Quarters.

Explore the vast floodplain and beautiful rivers of outback NSW on a car tour of Toorale National Park and State Conservation Area. You’ll enjoy great fishing and birdwatching.

DAY THREE

History + heritage

The Bourke Cemetery has a number of graves with historical significance. The most famous is that of Fred Hollows, the highly respected eye surgeon. Also buried in the cemetery is Senior Constable McCabe (shot by bushranger “Captain Starlight”), bush poet Francis Brown, and many other local characters.

In the Wharf Precinct at the northern end of Sturt Street, you will find a twin cylinder oil-fueled stationary engine that was manufactured by the Crossley Brothers of Manchester, England in 1923. It has an impressive history before being fully restored by the Bourke Shire Council.

In 1962 Gundabooka man Percy Hobson was the first Indigenous athlete to win a medal at the Commonwealth Games. At only 20 years old and against all odds this local high jumper broke the record when he leapt over a 6’11 high bar, in Perth’s Perry Lakes stadium. A feat forever establishing Percy as one of Australia’s most iconic sportsmen.

To pay tribute, his hometown of Bourke, is celebrating Percy Hobson’s achievement by dedicating the Bourke Water Tower as a canvas for a large mural of Percy; a recreation of the iconic photo of Hobson bounding into the air; the moment he earned his first gold medal.

BREWARRINA

DERIVED FROM 'BURRU WARANHA'

A WEILWAN NAME FOR A SPECIES OF ACACIA, CASSIA TREE, "ACACIA CLUMPS",
"A NATIVE STANDING" OR "PLACE WHERE WILD GOOSEBERRY GROWS"



Brewarrina is a unique town and a popular destination for those who wish to “linger longer.” Its uniqueness lies in the natural attractions and surrounding countryside, which offer challenging hunting, fishing, bush walking, skiing, swimming, sight-seeing and much more.

Brewarrina is situated where the Barwon River flows through the oldest man-made structure on earth, the Ngunnhu (fish traps). Archaeologists estimate the Ngunnhu to be over 40,000 years old.

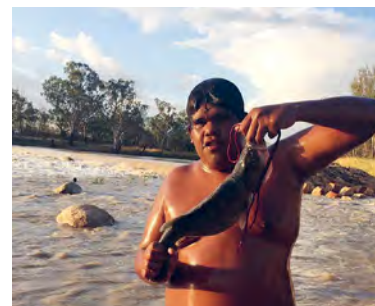
The banks of the Barwon River at the Ngunnhu was one of the great inter-tribal meeting places in Eastern Australia for Aboriginal people and the Shire is home to the Morawari, Barkinji, Weilwan, Kamilaroi, Koamu, Valarai, Baranbinja, Wiradjuri, Ngemba, and Yualwarri peoples.

Kamilaroi highway

BREWARRINA

<< to Bourke (97.9km)

to Walgett (132km) >>



Brewarrina Visitor Information Centre

DAY ONE

Self guided sites

You've arrived in our beautiful town. Pop into our Visitors Information Centre to kick start your Brewarrina adventure. Stay at one of our riverside free campsites and immerse yourself into nature. Not camping / caravanning? No worries. We have plenty of accommodation in town for you to choose from.

Explore at your own pace significant sites such as:

Start your adventure by stopping into one of our delicious cafes in town for breakfast. Thulli Ngemba Coffee Café and Muddy Waters Café. Street Art and sculptures can be admired on the outskirts of town and in our beautiful green parks. Hospital Creek Massacre Site is a small memorial dedicated to Aboriginal men, women and children whose lives were taken in one of the biggest massacre sites in NSW. The Historic Barwon Bridge is one of the two remaining lift span bridges in NSW. The Wandering Jew paddle steamer was destroyed in a fire on 15th of December 1914. The remains of the wreck can be seen when the river is very low, just above the weir.

DAY TWO

Explore outdoors

Head into one of our grocery stores in town at Friendly Grocer or Food Works and pack your picnic for a day trip to Goodooga. Goodooga is one of the villages in the Brewarrina LGA. Small, but mighty. Take a day trip out and visit our Artesian Springs. Experience the healing power of hot springs under a gorgeous sunset or a star lit night sky whilst you wind down and let your body absorb therapeutic benefits from the springs straight from the Great Artesian Basin. A camp out here is a must do for the mind and soul. Pop into the Telegraph Hotel for a hot dinner and accommodation.

After your relaxing stop in Goodooga, head out to The Culgoa National Park to see a range of Flora and Fauna. Culgoa has enough animals to keep even the most knowledgeable naturalist glued to their binoculars: 24 mammals, 170 species of bird, 29 lizards, seven types of snake, and 15 types of frog. If you're lucky, you might spot a long-necked tortoise.

Finish your day of exploring by relaxing by the Barwon River in Brewarrina. Fishing, canoeing, water-skiing and boating. Chat to the local anglers to find out where the fish are biting. Throw in a line at Four Mile Reserve or the 'Boat Ramp', both with BBQ areas.

DAY THREE

Connect with culture

Brewarrina was one of the great inter-tribal meeting places of Eastern Australia for Aboriginal people and the Shire is home to the Ngemba, Muwarrari and Yualwarri people.

Brewarrina is known for its rich culture and history. Whilst visiting Brewarrina it is an absolute must to visit the Aboriginal Cultural Museum. Visit the Museum to learn the history of Brewarrina and the Ancient Aboriginal Fishtraps on the sight where local tribes have gathered for over 30,000 years. The Museum overlooks the fish traps with a magical view of the Barwon River. Take a guided walking tour of the Ngunnhu and the museum exhibit. Tours usually take 45 minutes and are hosted by Aboriginal Tour Guides.

Pop down to the Brewarrina RSL for a cold beverage and some delicious Chinese dinner or visit Aum's for some authentic Thai takeaway. Fuel up your car and your body on your way out of town, stop into Shell Brewarrina for some hot food and drinks for your road trip onto your next destination.

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Walgett is Gamilaraay Country where the Barwon and Namoi rivers meet, where Frederick Wolseley of Euroka Station invented the first mechanical shearing hand piece in 1885. One of the biggest producers of chickpeas in the Southern Hemisphere, and home to one of the regions sought after Hot Artesian Bore Baths.

A haven of fresh air, vast open spaces and a starry night sky hard to beat. No hustle. No traffic. No parking problems! Leave with your own out of the ordinary experience that will stay with you and bring you back to the region again and again.

Walgett offers various accommodation choices from an RV Friendly Camping Ground, Motels, the Showground for a minimal fee and Farm stays.

to Lightning Ridge (73.4km) >>

Kamilaroi highway

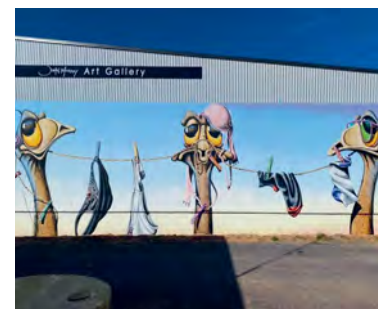
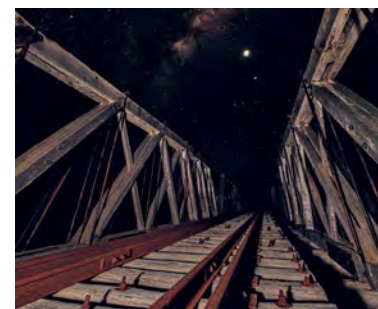
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BURREN JUNCTION

WALGETT

<< to Brewarrina (132km)

to Narrabri (176.6km) >>



Walgett Visitor Information Centre

DAY ONE

Take a walk

Visit the Walgett Information Centre to get local maps, information and souvenirs.

There are numerous murals scattered along Fox Street which include Indigenous stories and images by Community Groups and local School Children.

Around the corner in Wee Waa Street are a couple of options for a well-deserved rest. On offer are cold or hot beverages and meals.

Norman "Tracker" Walford Walkway, this walk is in honour of his official service with NSW Police. Starts at Warren Street and continues along the banks of the Namoi River, with interpretative signage to alert walkers for birds, reptiles, mammals, frogs, fish and native vegetation.

DAY TWO

Take a trip

Barwon Inn, a short drive west of town is the location of Indigenous scarred trees. They also known as canoe tree and shield tree. Due to bark being removed for used such as canoes, shelters, shields, tools, traps, containers or other artefacts.

Don't hesitate to visit Dharriwaa Elders Group (Aboriginal Keeping Place) in Fox Street for more local Indigenous knowledge and history.

The Historical Society located nearby will give an even broader insight to Walgett's beginnings of agricultural trade and community life.

Jimmy Little Memorial Water Tower which celebrates Australia's first successful First Nations musician. The portrait was created by Jenny McCracken with the background designed by local Gamilaroi artist Frank Wright and is the first Indigenous mural in NSW.

DAY THREE

Take the back road

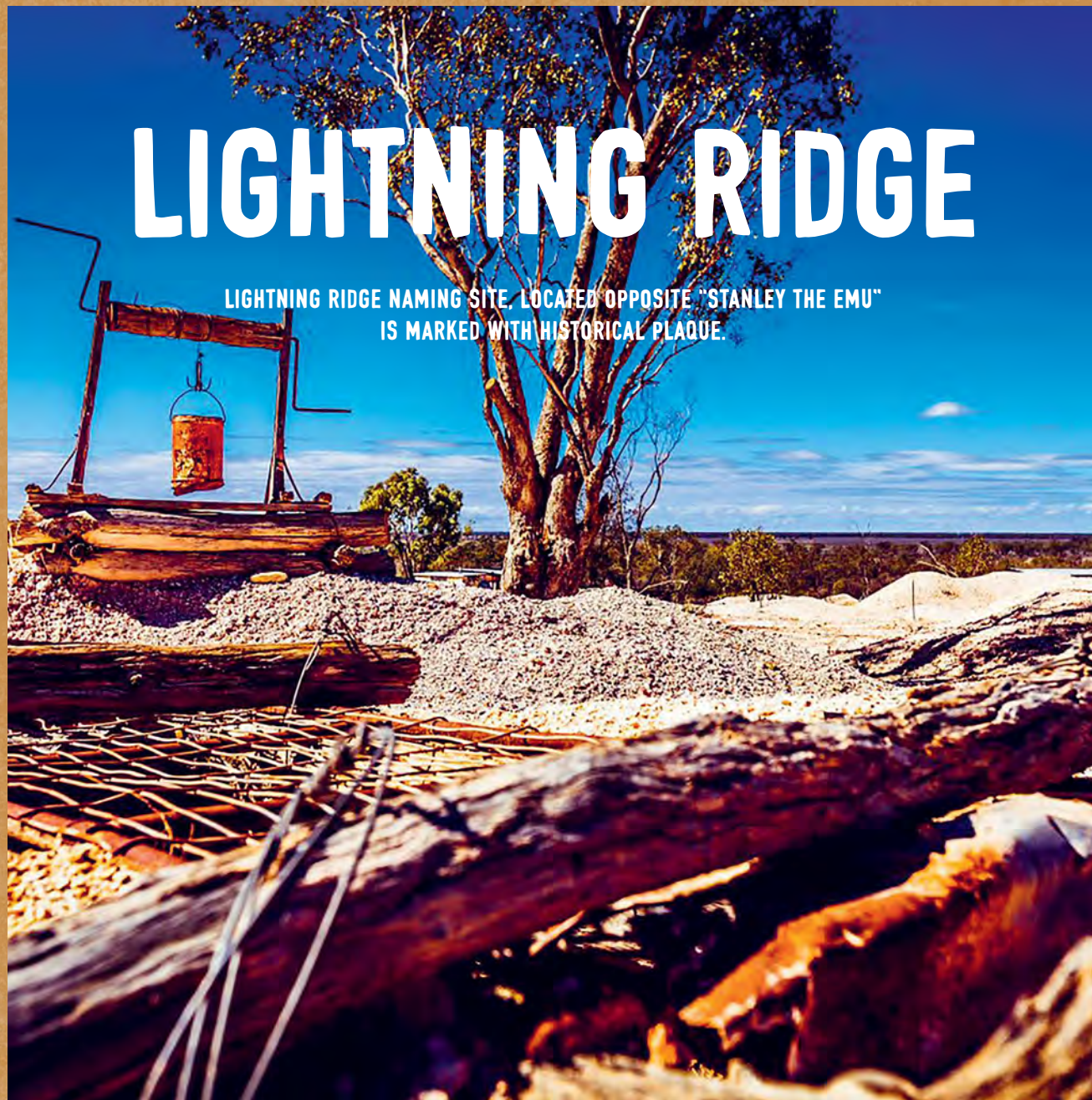
Northwest of Walgett, there are two unique areas. Narran Lakes Nature Reserve and Opal Fields. Travel toward Cumborah on Gingie Road, to Narran Lakes Wetlands. This Indigenous name for this area is "Dhariwaa" and was an important meeting place for many Aboriginal Nations.

When you arrive at the village of Cumborah continue to the "Pubs in the Scrub". Follow the road signs to the opal mining fields. Grawin, Glengarry and Sheeppark offer the opportunity to camp.

Grawin is the Golf Club (Club in the Scrub), the tee off to the course starts from the back of a truck. Glengarry Hilton has very lively clientele and visit Sweeny's Arts and Crafts.

Sheeppark Inn is a Vietnam Veterans pub, with memorabilia adorning the walls. Lake Beard War Memorial is a mini museum built by miners that comes alive on ANZAC Day and special occasions.

Go back to Cumborah, turn left onto Llanillo Road and continue your journey to Lightning Ridge.



Detour north from Walgett to Lightning Ridge, just over half an hour's drive.

Lightning Ridge is a charismatic town that is inhabited by people from 50 different nationalities, including the Yuwaalaraay Indigenous people.

There are various Dreamtime Stories about how the opal came to be. Lightning Ridge a long time ago there was the most beautiful creature called Pallah-Pallah the butterfly. Her story was an adventure and formed the colours of the rainbow on the dazzling opal stones.

On 27th July 1993 opal became Australia's National Stone.

The locals are aware of the uniqueness of this town and what makes it one of the must see destinations of Outback NSW. You can explore everything or relax and take your time.

It would be advisable to book your accommodation in advance when possible.



Lightning Ridge Visitor Information Centre

DAY ONE *Ready to explore "The Ridge"*

Firstly, drop into the Information Centre for local maps, attraction guide, and any other information you require.

Car Door Tours are another way to drive safely on the mine fields for those who would like to explore at their own leisure, this map for the self-drive tours is only available from the Visitor Information Centre.

Australian Opal Centre is the greatest public collection of opalised fossils in the world. The opal fields in the area are the only major site of fossils in NSW.

Experience John Murray's Art Gallery on Opal Street for a whimsical, photo realistic perspective on life in the outback.

Take a look at the Bottle House, Cooper's Cottage and the Heritage Cottage.

Dine at one of our Italian Restaurants, Bruno's or Piccolo for fabulous food.

Before going to bed take a soak in the Artesian Baths for an amazing gaze at the vast outback skies. Take advantage of a visit at sunrise if you like getting up early.

DAY TWO *Underground, nature + opals*

Go underground to learn how Opal is mined, there are three mines to visit. The Big Opal is a machine dug with a 113 step spiral staircase, Walk-in-Mine that you can have a photo taken trying your luck with a jackhammer and Chambers of the Black Hand, a mine that has a gallery of sculptures.

Bevan's Cactus Nursery was established in 1966, and has approximately 2,500 young and aged varieties of plants. Those who love a nature walk, Old Chums Track is a native flora and fauna walk, which takes approximately 40 minutes.

Lighting Ridge is the home of the Black Opal, the rarest and most valuable form of Australia's National Stone. There are many shops to visit to purchase your own wonderful gemstone.

If you would like to try to find a stone from the rough, in the Lions Park near the Information Centre you are welcome to have a dig in the mullock hill at any time.

Take yourself to Nettleton's First Shaft Lookout to relax and watch the sun setting before having dinner at Nobbies Restaurant at the only Pub in Lightning Ridge.

DAY THREE *Every farm + town tell a story*

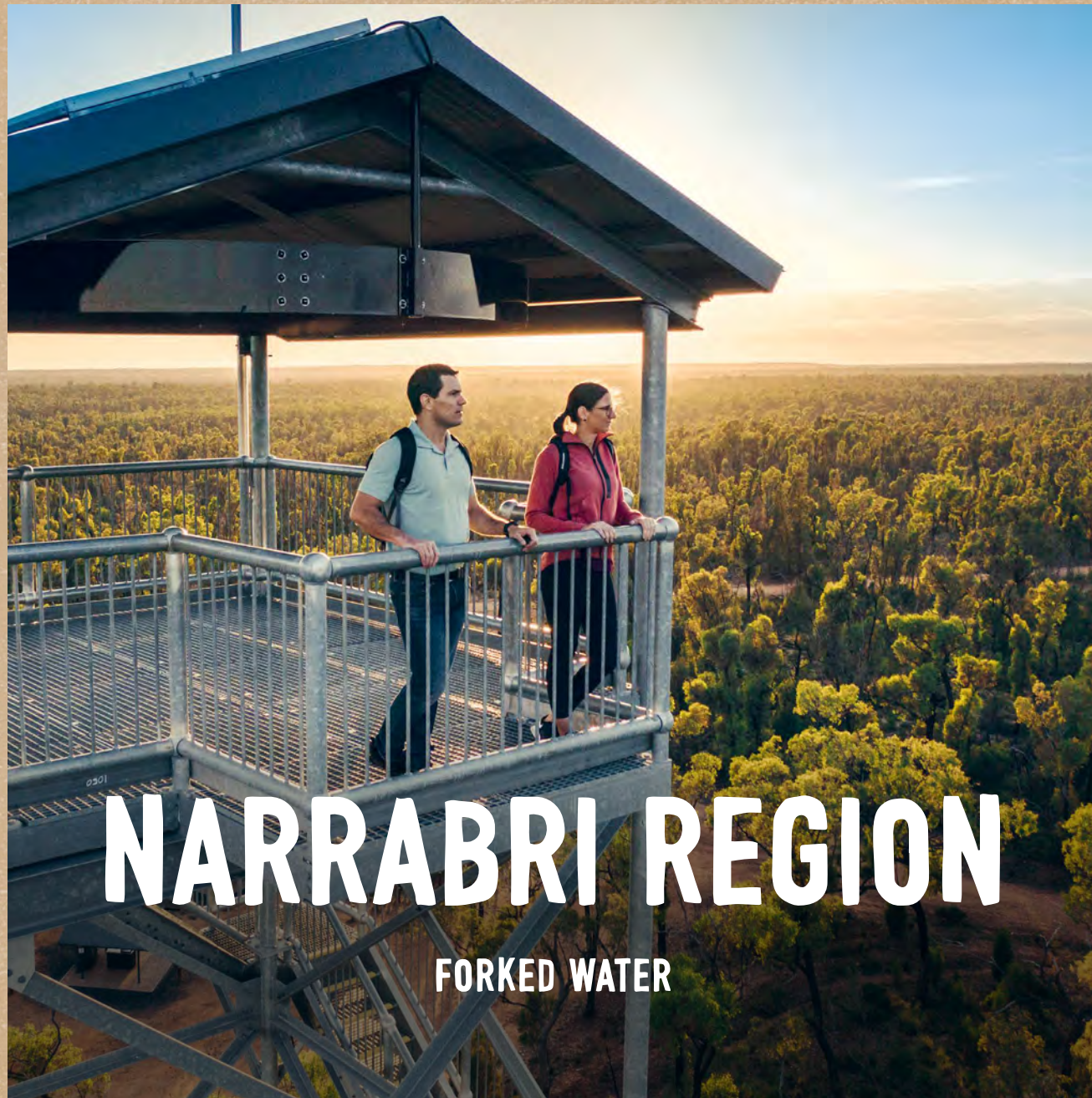
Surrounding Lightning Ridge are diverse with pastoral and grazing lands, upon which mining occurs. There are two working farms that you can visit for a guided tour, experience their way of life from history.

"Just Rustic" is located on Bando Station and is a guided museum tour that has become a life-long passion. The walking tour takes four hours with a much-enjoyed Devonshire tea.

The other property to visit or stay is Carinya Station. This is a Merino sheep property which you can cuddle and feed the farm animals.

Sit back under the stars and watch "Spark" a cinematic journey from dreamtime to the future of Lightning Ridge. The film is produced by the Australian Opal Centre and projected onto their Heritage Shed on the Opal fields. This visual journey lasts for an hour and will have you back in time for dinner at Lucky Brasserie within the Bowling Club.

Head back toward Walgett and continue your Kamilaroi Highway journey.



Covering 13,000-square-kilometres, the Narrabri Region is the heart of the rich Namoi Valley in North West NSW and is home to the Kamilaroi people. The region boasts three major towns, Narrabri, Wee Waa and Boggabri with several smaller villages scattered throughout.

One glimpse of a clear night sky will leave you with no doubts as to why this region is known as “Big Sky” country. Nestled at the base of the Nandewar Ranges, the Narrabri Region is an explorer’s paradise, with an abundance of national parks, walking tracks, unique wildlife, and secluded waterways. All this is joined by a wealth of excellent tourist attractions sure to keep visitors entertained for days.

<< to Burren Junction (83.7 km)

Kamilaroi highway

WEE WAA

NARRABRI

BOGGABRI

to Gunnedah (104km) >>

PILLIGA



Narrabri Region Visitor Information Centre

DAY ONE *A day in the Narrabri Region*

Explore the sights in and around the Narrabri Region.

Gather your information, local souvenirs and climb aboard a real cotton picker at the Narrabri Region Visitor Information Centre.

Unearth local history and culture at the Narrabri Old Gaol Museum, the Wee Waa Echo Museum, Boggabri Tractor Shed or Boggabri Historical Museum.

Interested in fish rather than fishing, the Narrabri Fish Farm is an ideal location for a tour or fun family day out.

Satisfy your scientific curiosities with the most advanced radio telescopes in the southern hemisphere at the CSIRO Australia Telescopes.

Take a dip at Yarrie Lake, a 3km saucer-shaped expanse of water thought to have been formed by a falling meteor.

DAY TWO

Top of the world

Spend the day high above the agricultural plains discovering ecological gems and uncovering secrets.

Climb the 1512m summit of Mt Kaputar National Park, where you will be treated to panoramic views encompassing a staggering 10 per cent of NSW.

Experience an almighty wall of organ pipes without stepping foot inside a church. Sawn Rocks’ towering 40m high pillars are undoubtedly the most iconic reminder of Mount Kaputar’s volcanic past.

Connect with Aboriginal culture at the Deriah Aboriginal Area which forms part of the traditional country of the Gamilaraay people. It contains numerous Aboriginal sites, evidence of trading, unique wildlife and offers spectacular views of the Nandewar Ranges.

Rest your legs and observe more remote and inaccessible parts of the Nandewar Ranges in an ultimate Helicopter adventure.

DAY THREE

Back to nature

Venture onto the road less travelled into the Pilliga Forest. Home to the Pilliga Yowie, the scenery is distinctly unique and makes a trip into the scrub quite an adventure.

Soak away those aches and pains in the 37-degree mineral-rich water of the Pilliga Artesian Bore Bath and Campground.

Wander the Salt Caves and hike the escarpment to the Pilliga Forest Lookout Tower where you’ll be treated to a birds eye view of a million wild acres.

Discover the mysteries of the Sandstone Caves. The walking track circling the caves reveal indications of Aboriginal habitation inside these unique tunnels and formations.

Take in the view of Dandry Gorge while exploring the magnificent Sculptures in the Scrub, inspired by local Aboriginal history and culture. During early spring the walking track offer spectacular wildflower displays.

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GUNNEDAH

PLACE OF WHITE STONES



As you continue your journey, the endless horizons of the western end of the Kamilaroi Highway are funneled between outcrops of hills and mountain ranges approaching Gunnedah. The vibrant colours of seasonal crops stretch from Narrabri to Gunnedah and beyond, complementing the palette of colours you will find scattered all over the town. Gunnedah is a farming town with mining thrown into the mix. Thanks to a vibrant art community you will find public art and galleries all over Gunnedah.

Nature walks and beautiful lookouts invite you to explore and you might spot a koala or two while you're here! There are plenty of food options for breakfast, lunch and dinner, from cafés, takeaways to pub meals.

Exciting news: a brand-new Koala Sanctuary is expected to open in 2022!



Gunnedah Visitor Information Centre

DAY ONE

Discovery trails

Brush off the cobwebs today and chose one of many walking trails in and around Gunnedah.

A 20 minute drive takes you to the Boonalla Aboriginal Area where you find a picnic area and a walking track to the Boonalla Caves (30 mins return walk; medium fitness level).

Bindea Walking Track is just on the edge of town and offers extensive bushwalking, beautiful views and historic landmarks like the Wallaby Trap.

Walk around the golf course and try to spot a koala.

Take your pushbike around the bike track and discover all our parks, gardens and beautiful homes.

DAY TWO

Palettes + plates

Today we are exploring all the art spaces in Gunnedah.

Visit the Bicentennial Creative Arts Gallery, where you can see works from local artists in the front gallery and ever changing seasonal exhibits in the back gallery.

The friendly staff at the Visitor Information Centre, which is also housed there, will then guide you to the stunning Silo Art commemorating Dorothea MacKellar, the Water Tower Art paying homage to the Vietnam War and the Poets Drive – let beautiful words accompany your visual journey today!

Have lunch at the Palette Café at the Work of Art Community Gallery in Barber Street before some retail therapy in Conadilly Street in the afternoon. There are plenty of boutiques and stores to grab something to remind you of your stay in Gunnedah.

DAY THREE *Back in time + splash about*

Day three starts and ends with a journey in Gunnedah's past with an outing to Lake Keepit in the middle, where you can cool down or just enjoy the serenity of the dam.

Marvel at the incredible memorabilia collection at the Gunnedah Rural Museum.

Head over to Barber Street and read all about Cumbo Gunnerah, also known as Red Chief, a great Kamilaroi warrior and leader.

Drive out to Lake Keepit and enjoy watersports, the splash park for kids or relax on the waters edge.

Enjoy sunset on Pensioners Hill after discovering the sandstone heritage sculptures placed along the short stroll to the top. Why not have a picnic and enjoy time seemingly stopping as you marvel at the view over the breathtaking plains disappearing into the distance.



As you make your way east, for the final stage of your journey along the Kamilaroi, there’s plenty to see and do in the Liverpool Plains. We’d encourage you to take your time on the drive, detour either side of the highway and you’ll be amongst some of the most productive agricultural land in Australia and experience a vast landscape that changes colour with the season.

Each of the villages and towns have a story to tell about life on the Liverpool Plains, the long and rich culture of the Kamilaroi people, the farming traditions dating from the mid 1850’s and the importance of the railway network and its people to Australia’s prosperity.

Don’t forget to indulge in a little contemporary country hospitality while you’re here. Browse our shops, sample our produce, dine in our cafes and restaurants and swap stories at the bar. And make time to enjoy the dark night sky, there’s nothing like it.



Liverpool Plains Visitor Information Centre

DAY ONE *Werris Creek to Quirindi*

Welcome to the Liverpool Plains (Home of the Sunflower Alert) we hope you have enjoyed the landscape of seasonal colours. Yellow canola, red sorghum, golden wheat and white cotton.

As you begin your journey through the Liverpool Plains start the day at Werris Creek, home of the Australian Railway Monument and Rail Journey Museum. Werris Creek honours its close links to the people who built, maintained and operated NSW’s rail network. Six stainless steel sculptures pay homage to the signal men, shunters, fettlers, gatekeepers and flag ladies of the rail network and an honour board recognises those who gave their life while working on the railways since the 1850’s. Take a Wander through the museum taking in all the history of Australian rail.

As you head South on the Kamilaroi Highway toward Quirindi take a slight detour and visit the Quipolly Dam. At the old dam you will find a bird hide, perfect for all the birdwatchers. At the new dam there’s an easy and accessible walkway along the foreshore, BBQ facilities, picnic tables and a casting wharf, cleaning area for those who like to throw a line. Perfect spot for a picnic. Head to Quirindi.

DAY TWO *Quirindi*

Discover Quirindi, the largest town on the Liverpool Plains. After enjoying a night in one of the local accommodations you will be ready to explore. But first breakfast; hungry? There are plenty of places to choose from for breakfast.

Once finished you can enjoy the atmosphere of Quirindi’s main street, indulge in some shopping or just take a walk along the river. Lunch is available from a selection of pubs and cafes so sit and relax or grab a takeaway and head to the top of ‘WHO’D-A-THOUGHT-IT” Lookout and enjoy the 360-degree wondrous views spanning from the Great Dividing Range to the east through to the fertile plains to the west. Head down the hill (about halfway) you will come across Bob’s Shed. An abundance of Memorabilia plus a story or two. It’s a must see while in the area.

Just a short distance out of Quirindi you will find the Quirindi Rural Heritage Village and Miniature Railway. The museum is fascinating and brings the old farming days of the area alive with engaging displays. For the young and young at heart the miniature trains can be ridden every fourth weekend of the month. Time to head South to Willow Tree, home of Graze restaurant and the Willow Tree Inn.

DAY THREE *Willow Tree + Wallabadah*

Wake up in Willow Tree and grab yourself breakfast from one of the cafes that call Willow Tree home. There is a great selection to choose from!

Before hitting the road, check out the little shops and quirky art gallery then head over to the Visitor Information Centre. Learn about the culture and traditions of the First Nations People by taking a walk around the “Kamilaroi A Highway-A People Display.” At the Information Centre grab some maps for the next part of your journey or just have a friendly yarn.

Head North on the New England Highway for approx. 15km. There you will find the village of Wallabadah. Take a walk through the First and Second Fleet Memorial Gardens. A beautiful and fascinating place with so much Australian settlement history. Why not enjoy lunch at the historic Marshall McMahon Pub before leaving.

We hope you have enjoyed your time with us here in the Liverpool Plains and look forward to seeing you again in the future. Yaluu maliyaa. (Goodbye Friend)

EVENTS CALENDAR

EXPERIENCE COUNTRY HOSPITALITY AT ITS FINEST



APRIL

GUNNEDAH SHOW
Gunnedah

DROVERS CAMPFIRE
Narrabri

BACK O'BOURKE PICNIC RACES
Bourke

LIGHTNING RIDGE EASTER FESTIVAL
Lightning Ridge

BACK O BOURKE EASTER FESTIVAL
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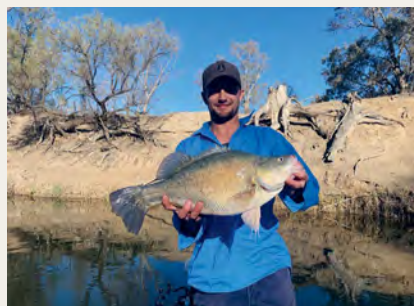
BAIAME'S NGUNNHU FESTIVAL
Brewarrina



MAY

QUIRINDI RALLY & SWAP MEET
Quirindi

COD CUP – ANNUAL HORSE RACE
Brewarrina



MARCH

WALGETT MUD TRIALS
Walgett

WEEKS OF SPEED
Gunnedah

MILITARY TATTOO
Quirindi

JUNE

**DOROTHEA MACKELLAR
POETRY AWARDS**
Gunnedah

ROWENA CRACKER NIGHT
Walgett

KURRUMBEDE OPEN DAY
Gunnedah

BREWARRINA BIG FISH
Brewarrina

JULY

LIGHTNING RIDGE OPAL FESTIVAL
Lightning Ridge



AUGUST

**AGQUIP FIELD DAYS
AND NIGHQUIP**
Gunnedah

EULAH CREEK MACHINERY DAY
Narrabri

COLLY COD CLASSIC
Walgett

LOUTH RACES
Bourke

NOSH NARRABRI
Narrabri



SEPTEMBER

THE KILLARNEY CLASSIC
Narrabri

COME BY CHANCE RACES
Walgett

ENNGONIA RACES
Bourke



OCTOBER

**WEE WAA'S COTTON CAPITAL
COUNTRY MUSIC MUSTER**
Narrabri

**LET'S DANCE CARINDA –
DAVID BOWIE TRIBUTE FESTIVAL**
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HARVEST FESTIVAL
Gunnedah



DECEMBER

BOXING DAY RACES
Quirindi



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