The Summit Times

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ANZAC and Kokoda Leadership for 2025

The Annual Kokoda Youth Leadership Challenge once again provided Ulladulla High School with a valuable opportunity to witness the growth and emergence of young leaders within its

student body. This year, 12 dedicated students from Ulladulla High took on the Challenge by submitting thoughtful and heartfelt essays. In their writing, they reflected deeply on their personal connection to the



ANZAC legacy and explored how the spirit of the ANZACs – characterised by courage, endurance, mateship, and sacrifice – continues to hold relevance and inspire today's generation. Each essay was exceptional, reflecting the students' maturity, insight, and respect for Australia's military history. From this impressive group of 12 applicants, 8 students were shortlisted and invited to present their ideas in front of a panel made up of representatives from the Ex-Servos and RSL sub-branch. The presentations delivered by these students were nothing short of outstanding. They spoke passionately about how the physical and emotional challenge of walking the Kokoda Track would not only develop their own leadership skills, but also enable them to return and uplift others in their school and community through the values they had embraced.

A huge congratulations goes to the four students who were selected to take part in this life-changing journey on the Kokoda Track: Eden Sakora, Lachlan Barry, Tom Cowled, and Annie-Maree Martin. Their achievement is a testament to their commitment to leadership, service, and the enduring legacy of the ANZAC spirit.



Top L-R: Eden Sakora, Madison Hughes, Lachlan Barry & Thomas Cowled Bottom L-R: Lacey Cooper, Darcy Stewart, Claire Donnelly & Annie-Maree Martin

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Year 7 Camp: A Memorable Adventure

The Year 7 camp was an exciting and transformative experience for over 150 students, supported by a dedicated team of teachers. Set in the beautiful region of Murrumbateman, the camp provided the ideal backdrop for adventure, bonding, and personal growth. The journey began with a lively bus trip over the mountain, filled with chatter and excitement. Upon arrival, students quickly settled into their accommodations, eager to begin the planned activities and make the most of their time away. On Wednesday, students participated



in two group rotations, where they embraced new challenges and enjoyed games like giant Jenga, basketball, and handball during free time. The fun fostered camaraderie and helped friendships form quickly. The day wrapped up with a cozy movie night and popcorn, though many students stayed up late, leading to sleepy faces on Day 2.

Day 2 was packed with four engaging rotations, including water warrior games, initiative tasks, and the Puzzle Mania scavenger hunt. Team-building exercises like Mission Survivor and frisbee golf kept everyone energized. Sessions on grit and resilience taught valuable life lessons. After a busy day, many students took time to rest during the afternoon free period, allowing for a more restful second night.

On the final day, students participated in one last rotation of activities, followed by a quick meal and a reflection session to discuss their camp experience. The journey back was filled with chatter about the memories made and friendships formed. Upon arrival at school, students were greeted by the warm embrace of their families, marking the end of a memorable experience that will be cherished as part of their transition to high school. Overall, the Year 7 camp was a resounding



success. It provided a unique opportunity for students to forge lasting friendships, develop valuable life skills, and create unforgettable memories. With laughter, teamwork, and adventure, the camp set an exciting tone for the year ahead.





Careers

White Card Course Congratulations to the 19 students who successfully gained this important qualification. The White Card is a mandatory qualification for anyone wanting to work in the construction industry in New South Wales. It



focuses on workplace health and safety, teaching participants how to identify and manage risks on construction sites. Thanks to Mr John Hayes for delivering the course for UHS students.



Year 12 UNSW Residential Program



Year 12 University of Sydney Regional Information Evening

Join us for an information evening to find out all you need to know about the University of Sydney! Learn about our <u>Regional and Remote Entry Scheme</u> and <u>MySydney</u> <u>Scheme</u>.

Register here for Nowra. Thursday 8th May 5.00PM-6.30PM

Youth Forum

Recently Chloe Grabia attended the Youth Forum which was held by NSW Parliament. The forum was led by NSW Legislative Council President, The Hon. Ben Franklin MLC, local State Member, Hon. Steve Whan MP and other senior figures. They guided the conversation, and students were encouraged to actively participate by sharing their thoughts, asking questions and discussing their vision for the future as well as what effective representation means to them. This was a feedback loop that NSW Parliament used to inform their decisions.



Anzac Day Dawn Service

Ulladulla High School students showed great respect and community spirit at this year's Anzac Day commemorations, attending both the Ulladulla Dawn Service and the Milton March and Ceremony. At the Dawn Service, School Captain Cameron Davies laid a wreath on behalf of the school



community. Cameron, despite still feeling the effects of completing the Kokoda Challenge the week prior, represented the school with pride. He was joined by fellow student leader Annabelle, who, despite also feeling unwell from the Kokoda effort, attended the services in support. Later that morning, Cameron was joined by Jordan Magi for the Milton March. Together, they had the honour of leading the march and laying a wreath at the Milton Cenotaph, paying tribute to the men and women who have served. It was wonderful to see many Ulladulla High students attending the march, proudly wearing their relatives' medals in recognition of their families' service to Australia. Chloe Hamilton and Zahlie Ritchie gave moving performances of the hymns and the national anthem at both services, with their heartfelt singing bringing many in the audience to tears. A particularly powerful moment came at the Dawn Service when Lachlan Barry, who had delivered mementos from the Milton Ulladulla RSL Sub-Branch to the Western Front during his visit to France in December, was invited to deliver the Commemoration Address. Lachlan's speech was deeply emotional and resonated strongly with those in attendance. The strong presence and commitment of Ulladulla High School students at both services was a strong reflection of the Anzac spirit and a fitting tribute to those who have served.



ANU Escape Room

On Thursday, a team from ANU visited our school to test out their escape room challenge with Dr Kneeshaw's 10 Blue Science class. Their task was to save the planet by finding the antidote to a disease outbreak using clues which included microscope work identifying parasites, puzzles, written information and using chemical tests to reveal clues. The first group to solve the

problem was India Robertson's team followed by Kiara Barkle, Bede Sillaman and Cameron Campbell team (photo), well done. ANU will be running the escape room and other activities at the **Kioloa** Campus during National Science Week in August, which we are looking forward to attend.



Koori Korner

Walawaani njindiwan; we hope you had a restful break and are excited to be back. We will be having an exciting Term Two with a number of activities planned. Please join us in celebrating the wonderful performances by Bunaan Yandabal



dancers and Mirimi Bunbal didj group in our ANZAC ceremony, thank you for such a wonderful and respectful display of Culture and creativity.

Please keep an eye out for announcements of My Future Matters meetings for year groups, your attendance will be expected – it is a wonderful opportunity to learn about pathways to furthering your education after school whether you wish to attend university, Tafe or seek out another pathway. There will be workshops running for Years 7 and 8, 9 and 10, and 11 and 12 for First Nations students throughout the term.

The AECG will be holding the term 2 meeting on 21st of May at Budawang School in Milton, families are encouraged to come along especially if you haven't before. The meeting will include free cultural workshops, kids activities, and food. We are looking for students interested in joining our Junior Aboriginal Education



Consultative Group (JAECG) to bring student voice from our schools to the AECG, if this is something you are interested in, please talk to AEO in the Gunya Room.

UHS ALUMNI - JACQUI COWDEROY

"The Painting is Finally home" - written by Melanie Clare In the January school holidays of 2024, I came into the school to pick up something from my desk. As I was leaving, I noticed a whole lot of old school furniture that was being cleared out. Amongst this I noticed a large board facing backwards. But I caught the name on it "Jacqui Cowderoy". I rang Jacqui and asked her if she wanted it. She assured me she absolutely did. The painting was Jacqui's major Visual Arts work for her HSC in 1979. Jac had always loved skiing and had spent most winters during the years in Thredbo and then as she began competing, she also spent many summers skiing in other world events throughout Europe. Jacqui was then chosen to represent Australia at the Winter Olympics at Lake Placid, New York in 1980. She competed in the Slalom and Giant Slalom events and finished 17th in the world in Giant Slalom. When she returned home to Ulladulla, the whole town and many students from UHS came out to cheer for her. I remember the excitement. She was our local hero - from our school and our town. I remember standing at the Civic Centre holding signs welcoming her



home. Her painting had hung proudly in the UHS Administration building for about 30 years until 2010 when the building was refurbished. The painting was then put into storage. It was fate that bought me to school that day to save Jacqui's painting. It now hangs proudly at her home in Kalkite near

Jindabyne and she is so happy to have her picture 'home'. Jac has recently retired after a 32 year career flying with Qantas. She is married to Michael and has 2 children, Lucy and James. Who we are Photo *What we value... What we believe... What we think...*

Blessing of the Fleet Princess's : India Robertson, Taylah Craig & Tess Wilson



Chess Champions

Ulladulla High School are competing in the Country Schools Secondary Chess Competition. We played Crookwell High school on Wednesday April 9, the game was played online, given the distance. Our players: Leo, Xzavier, Oscar, Felix, Jasper and Drake, have been practicing with dedication and eagerness, which resulted in all four players winning their games !! This is an amazing result as our Year 8-9 players versed Year 11 and 12 players. The players and reserves are very pleased with their results. Motto for the day practice makes perfect !!



Year 9 Students of the Week



Sienna Refalo has been stretching herself to learn new skills entering into Year 9. She participated and placed in the Milton Show baking section, involved herself in Clean Up Australia Day here at UHS, and has been visiting Cup N Cake N Co to learn about the hospitality industry. Alongside these experiences, she wears full school uniform, puts 100% effort into all her learning tasks and does her best to support her classmates and their learning.



Lachlan Davies is one of our Year 9 allrounders, challenging himself in all areas of school life. This term Lachlan has received a Principals Award, assisted at the UPS swimming carnival, represented the school in basketball and cricket, worked hard to submit high quality assignments and been MVP at sport across multiple weeks. He is kind, caring and thoughtful and is a brilliant role model for his peers here at UHS.

Congratulations we are very proud of you!



School Bytes

All school excursion/ permission notes are distributed via email through our School Bytes system. Please ensure your current email address is up to date in our system and they are not going into your spam account. Payments and electronic signing can both be done at the same time. Alternatively, payments can still be made at the office. Download the School Bytes app onto your phone for further convenience. School Bytes can be downloaded from the app store.

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School Bus Travel

Students travelling on a School Bus to and from school are required to have a valid school bus pass for the school service they are catching. If a valid school pass cannot be shown a fare will be charged. In the event the school bus pass is lost, some form of student ID is to be shown whilst obtaining a replacement pass (fee applies).



You can help make your child's school bus journey more pleasant by ensuring your child has a valid school bus pass and presents it to the driver in the morning AND afternoon. Parents are reminded that the School Free Travel is only valid between home and school as per the conditions on the back of the pass. Fares will be charged for all other journeys.

Skateboards/Scooters/Bicycles are not permitted on the bus.





Wed 30 April Fri 2 Mav

Mon 5 May Wed 7 - Thur 8 May Fri 9 May Mon 12 May Tues 13 May

Wed 14 May - Wed 25 June Thur 15 May Mon 19 May Thur 22 May

Mon 26 May Fri 30 May

Dates to remember

Term 2, 2025

All students return Cross Country Session 1 & 2 Colour Run Session 3 & 4 Open's Volleyball School Athletic Carnival Do it for Dolly Day P&C Meeting 6:30pm **Opens Oz Tag** Zone Cross Country Girls Can Too - Trade Day (every Wednesday) Conjola Canoe 8 White Year 11 EES Dark Beach Excursion Conjola Canoe 8 Blue FXPO@UHS National Sorry Day Zone Athletics



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Friday 9 May 2025

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Community News

