



# BONGONGO PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 5, Term 2 2025

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## UPCOMING EVENTS 2025

### Week 5

**Thursday 29 May -**  
Gymnastics Tumut

### Week 6

**Friday 6 June -**  
Highlands Cross Country

## A MESSAGE FROM THE BONGONGO TEAM

Welcome to week 5 everyone!

A good drop last week to fill the tanks and dams folks which also led to our athletics carnival being postponed, a very small price to pay! A revised date will be made available in the near future.

With the cooler weather arriving we have had our first run of bugs going around which took a toll on school numbers last week. Please continue to monitor symptoms and keep children home if they are ill.

This week we will be extremely busy catching up on literacy and numeracy assessments from last week as we begin to move towards the end of semester 1. With our major excursion to Dubbo in week 8, our time is running out fast!

This semester, our academic reports will be made available to parents in week 10, following our end of term assembly. This year, we have changed our reporting format to align with Department of Education requirements. The new format is very straight forward and easy to understand with all of the information remaining the same just in a new format.

This week we will venture to Tumut for our gymnastics lesson which will coincide with a visit to the Tumut library. Students have begun the premiers reading challenge and will have the opportunity to borrow a book from the Tumut library to put towards their challenge.

Our year 6 students Scout Onus, Olivia Graham and Isobel Welsh have completed their novel, The boy in the Striped Pyjamas and have begun their new series, Once, by Morris Glietzman.

In writing, our students have been analysing and creating poems. Last week we created Limericks that were highly entertaining. A sample of our work can be found later in this newsletter. We have also begun to analyse A.B Patterson's On Kiley's Run, as part of our local history unit.

This week, we will take a look at the Apollo 11 moon landing and the role that Parkes played during the space mission as we prepare for our major excursion in week 8 we will visit *The Dish*. We will also be looking at the Cowra Prisoner of War camp and discover what happened at the Japanese break out!

That's about all for this week folks.

Enjoy the week everyone!

*Brad*

## A message from Sam

Welcome to Week 5!

The term is flying by, and we are almost halfway through.

In Literacy, our Year Two students have been enthusiastically reading Charlotte's Web. As part of our poetry unit, all students have been exploring and analysing A.B. Paterson's poems On Kiley's Run and The Man from Snowy River. Students have also been having fun creating their own poems, with last week's focus on limericks. Take a look at some of their wonderful work below!

This week in Numeracy, our focus will remain on three-dimensional shapes and volume and capacity.

On Thursday, we will be making our way to Tumut again to participate in gymnastics. We will also visit the Tumut Library.

Have a great week!

*Sam*



### *Important Dates for Term 2*

Highland Cross Country - 6th June  
Riverina Cross Country - 12th June

Dubbo Excursion - 16th to 20th June

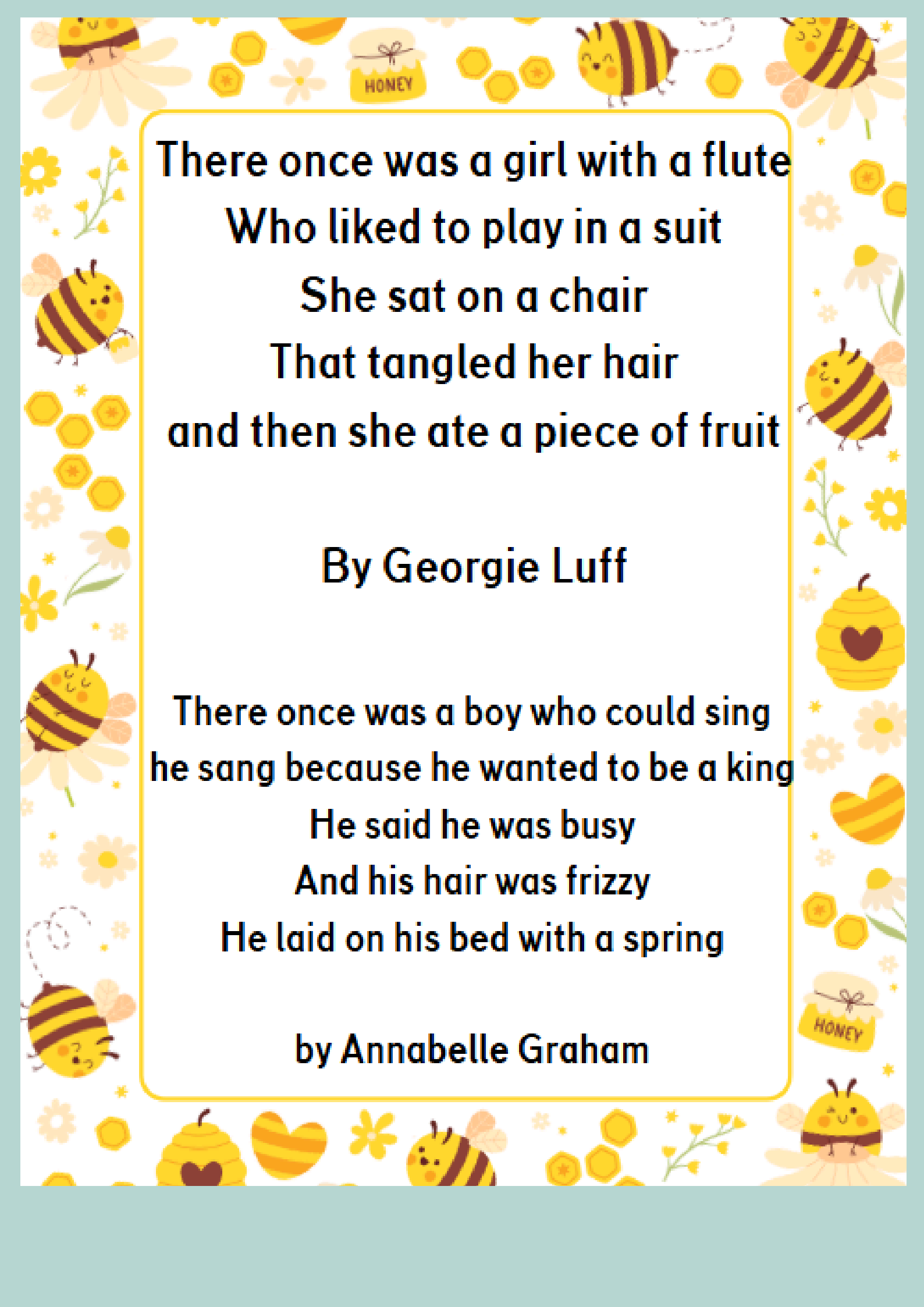
Street Stall - Tumut 3rd July



# Gymnastics







There once was a girl with a flute  
Who liked to play in a suit  
She sat on a chair  
That tangled her hair  
and then she ate a piece of fruit

By Georgie Luff

There once was a boy who could sing  
he sang because he wanted to be a king  
He said he was busy  
And his hair was frizzy  
He laid on his bed with a spring

by Annabelle Graham



## *The Mysterious Journey*

*Once upon a time I went on a mysterious journey.*

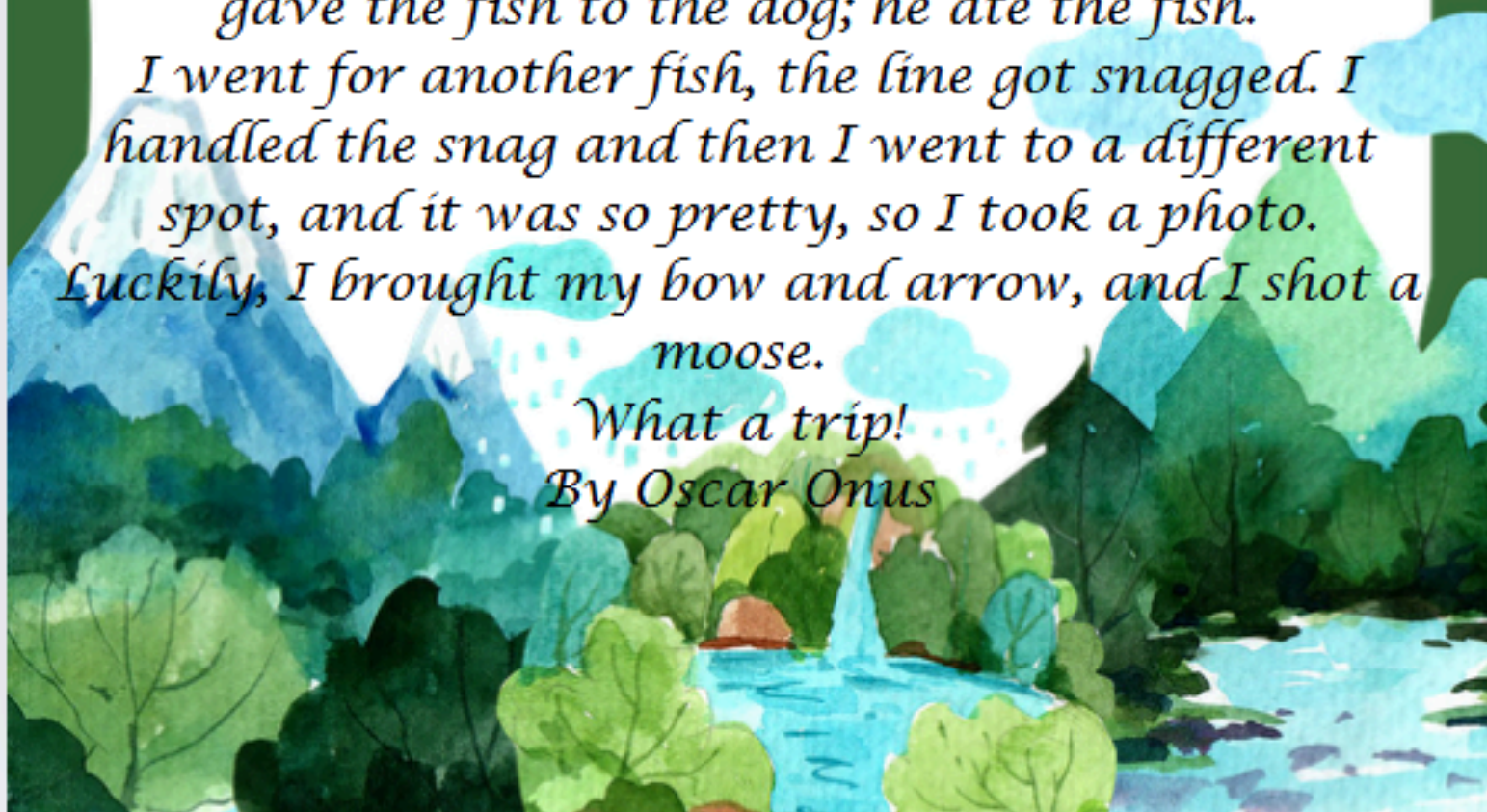
*I hopped in my ute, and I started to drive off to the woods and I finally arrived at the woods. I got my swag out and I dragged it into the woods. I set up my swag and my swag was finally set up, so I decided to go for a little fish. I caught a cod, I luckily dragged it on the bank. I had my fish on the bank so I could eat it for dinner. After I had my fish, I went to bed.*

*After I slept, I woke up and started to go for a little fish again. I caught two cod and went for a morning walk, and I saw a mysterious bush. I found a dog; he was a little shy at first but the dog kind of got used to me. I got used to him too. I brought the dog back and we were best friends. I gave the fish to the dog; he ate the fish.*

*I went for another fish, the line got snagged. I handled the snag and then I went to a different spot, and it was so pretty, so I took a photo. Luckily, I brought my bow and arrow, and I shot a moose.*

*What a trip!*

*By Oscar Onus*





*Once upon a time Hazel was at  
the dam.*

*Her Mum and Dad were cooking  
pancakes.*

*SUDDENLY Dad flipped a  
pancake on a pig's head!*

*The pig was hungry, so he ate it  
up.*

*By Hazel Gorman*







# Saddletop Wind Farm

The Saddletop Wind Farm team invites you to a community drop-in information session to learn more about the proposed project, provide your feedback, and get to know the team.

The proposed Saddletop Wind Farm is located near Adjungbilly, around 30km north-east of Tumut and south of Squadron Energy's proposed Jeremiah Wind Farm. Saddletop Wind Farm consists of approximately 123 wind turbines as well as battery storage.

The project is in the early stages of development and we are seeking the community's perspectives and input.

## Please join us:

- When:**  
Tuesday 27 May 2025  
Drop in anytime between 2pm and 7pm
- Location:**  
Adjungbilly Community Hall -  
Bongongo Public School  
Adjungbilly Road  
Adjungbilly NSW 2722



## About Squadron Energy

Squadron Energy is Australia's leading renewable energy company that develops, operates and owns renewable energy assets in Australia.

We are 100% Australian owned and we are here for the long term. We have 1.1 gigawatts (GW) of renewable energy in operation and 900MW under construction.

With proven experience across the project lifecycle, we work with local communities and our customers to lead the transition to Australia's clean energy future.



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# BONGONGO PUBLIC SCHOOL

## MEET AND GREET

**Thursday 26th June 2025**

We invite all prospective Kindergarten parents to attend our kindergarten meet and greet. This session will provide an overview of our Kindergarten program, including curriculum, daily routines, and strategies we use to support a successful transition to school. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet staff members, explore the learning environment, and ask any questions they may have. We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child's educational journey.

Parent meet and greet will begin at 9:30am.

**Please RSVP using the QR code below**



**Enrol now for 2026**



# BONGONGO PUBLIC SCHOOL

## KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM

Our kindergarten transition program allows your child to familiarise themselves with the school environment, meet their peers and school staff while also getting a feel of the day to day routines of 'big school'.

Experiences will include, fine motor skills, literacy and numeracy lessons, games, craft and school readiness activities. Our transition to school sessions will run from 9am–3pm. Students will need to bring a hat, water bottle, fruit, recess and lunch.

Enrolment for kinder transition will be made available following the kinder meet and greet session on Thursday 26th June 2025.

### Kindergarten transition dates

Tuesday 26th August

Tuesday 2nd September

Tuesday 9th September

Tuesday 16th September

Tuesday 23rd September

Tuesday 21st October

Tuesday 28th October

Tuesday 4th November (Snail  
Cup)

Tuesday 11th November-  
Transition graduation



# Adjungbilly, did you know?

Snippets from local newspapers courtesy of TROVE  
National Library of Australia

## ADJUNGBILLY

A very successful dance was held in aid of the Tumut Catholic Church funds. Mrs. Fred. Graham was the presiding genius, assisted by Mrs. W. J. Webb and a host of willing hands. About £14 is expected to be the result.

Cootamundra Herald  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 1935

## ADJUNGBILLY.

**GUNDAGAI, Saturday.**—At a meeting of the Adjungbilly Shire Council yesterday, a number of residents, dairy farmers, and pastoralists, living along the Adelong Creek, at Adelong Crossing, lodged a complaint that the operations of Davies and Kemshaw's dredges at Grahams-town discolored and polluted the waters of the creek, rendering it unfit for consumption, either by man or

beast. They also allege that at times it emitted a stench. A complaint on the same heading was lodged by the Adelong Crossing Progress Committee some time ago. The local warden dealt with the matter, which was a fruitful source of complaint. He found that by damming the water after sluicing operations, and liberating it after the water settled, pollution should not occur, and that, with proper safeguards, dredging was not inimical to the public health.

Senior-Sergeant Dixon, sanitary inspector, acting under instructions, took a sample of water from the creek at Adelong Crossing. This water is highly discolored, containing a thick black deposit. He reported that people lodge their complaints against the dredging operations, averring pollution resulted, and neither stock nor human beings were inclined to drink it. This was a serious matter to the dairymen following their occupation along Adelong Creek. The dredging plants alluded to operate about six miles above the village of Adelong Crossing, and are the largest dredging plants in Australia, giving employment in the various branches to nearly 1000 men; this being the main industry in the Adelong district.

Councillor Dodd thought they should act cautiously in this matter, so much money being involved in the dredging industry which had been in operation in different parts of the district for a great many years, and it had never been shown that pollution resulted.

The president (Mr. M'Inerney) and Councillor Hazlett said the creek water was constantly discolored since the dredging started. The water was now carrying a thick black deposit. It was only since dredging along the creek started that stock refused to drink the water.

It was decided that the works committee should visit the locality and make a report, with a view to action being taken before the summer entered.

An application by the shire maintenance men for an increase of a shilling per day in their pay by reason of the higher cost of living due to the tariff was dealt with by the shire council; the application was refused.

The Daily Telegraph 5th November 1907

Deputy Potato Controller.

## ADJUNGBILLY

A very happy gathering assembled in the Adjungbilly Hall on Saturday night last to bid farewell to Reg. Clarrie and John Harmer, the three soldier sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harmer, and to say good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch at the same time. The soldiers are going back to camp after spending their leave with their parents and relatives for three weeks. They go up north, where they have been stationed for some time. Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch are leaving the district for awhile. The dance was a very pleasant function, about forty or fifty couples being present. Music was supplied by Mr. W. Smith and son (accordion) and Mr. McCulloch (violin). Dancing was kept up till 2 o'clock, everyone voting they had a very enjoyable time. Refreshments were supplied by the ladies of Adjungbilly, to which everyone did justice. Then came the sad part—to say good-bye to the lads. All hope to see them back again very soon with the laurels of glorious victory and peace; and also Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch, who will be missed by all, as they have been very good citizens and will be greatly missed by the folk at Adjungbilly.

Adelong and Tumut Express  
Thu 22 Apr 1943