Silver award winner

CLUBTaree has been named as the silver award winner at this year’s Chef’s Table for their mouth-watering three course meal presented by executive chef Kevin Williams and chef de partie Renee Swanack.

Club Taree was presented with the award at gala event after being judged on their ability to create a fantastic meal that included the key ingredient: spatchcock without exceeding a maximum cost of $18 per person.

ClubNSW CEO Anthony Bell said Club Taree excelled at this year’s competition and did a great job representing regional clubs.

It was great to see more regional clubs participate and show the city clubs that they are a force to be reckoned with,” he said.

“The judges were very impressed by the food prepared by Kevin and Renee — it was clear they went above and beyond with their vision and presentation which was great to see.”

The silver award winning menu included:

Entree: Chilled prawn ravioli, salmon, balsamic beetroot chutney, cucumber jelly, semi dried tomatoes, croutons, pesto, basil and tomato mascarpone

Main: Poached salmon, potato gnocchi, prosciutto, sautéed mushrooms and mushroom and asparagus bubble and squeak, sage and onion crunch, mustard glaze

Dessert: Trio of rhubarb and custard, warm chocolate dessert, maccaroni and cream, baked Alaska, vanilla ice cream, churro and cocoa gel.

Chef’s Table head judge Julie Anzellotti said that Club Taree was no stranger to the podium and had plenty up their sleeves.

That sweet pie, that pastry was sensational. We still talk about that as one of the best pies we’ve ever had,” he said.

“It was so close between the top six and that’s the headline for me. I could’ve easily awarded six places.”

The lucky chefs have won a trip to the Fine Food Australia Show in Melbourne in September, sponsored by CCM Travel.

Executive chef Kevin Williams and chef de partie Renee Swanack.

Wingham businesses finalist in tourism awards

BENN on Food and Ben on Cookery School is a finalist in the 2018 North Coast Tourism Awards.

The businesses are owned by Donna Carret and Wingham and she will vie for a title from a field of nine with businesses located within the Great Lakes to the Tweed.

The winners will be announced on Saturday a gala presentation dinner inside the historic Trial Bay Gaol at South West Rocks.

More than 150 tourism industry leaders will attend the event and it is open to the public.

Funds for deaf camp

FOR the month of June Taree Holden pledged to contribute $100 for every new Holden delivered to the North Coast Deaf Camp.

This year’s camp will be held in September at Grassy Head. It brings together both primary and high school students with similar life challenges.

The students are able to participate in recreational activities while creating friendships and receiving help from past camps.

New guardian for Top End

THE Northern Territory Government has just launched an 11.6m fishing research vessel built by Steber International, Yorke. The custom-built Mollarra weighs in at 10.5 tonnes and has twin 380hp Yanmar diesel motors, has a range of 300 nautical miles, a cruise speed of 18-22 knots and top speed of 30 knots.

Minister for Primary Industry and Fisheries, Willem Westra van Holthe said the name Mollarra means manta ray in the language of the local Yolngu people.

“THERE couldn’t be a more appropriate name for this vessel as the manta ray is believed by indigenous saltwater people to be the ‘Guardian of the Sea’,” Mr Westra van Holthe said.

New guardian for Top End

“This new vessel will play a major role in monitoring the health of our coastal reef stocks as well as enabling research in the barramundi fishery, small pelagic fishery and other scientific monitoring projects. Mollarra will be very much the guardian of the sea and our fishery, adopting an Aboriginal name symbolises the close working relationship that NT Fisheries has forged with marine rangers and the traditional owners around the territory’s vast coastline.”

“The size and fit-out of the Mollarra means that it will be able to travel further and longer than other fisheries vessels have been able to before — this will open up new areas of research and investigation.”

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Allan Edwards

Allan Edwards has joined the team at Manning Valley Property & Lifestyle, Allan brings with him a wealth of experience in rural real estate, livestock & farming sales.

Having lived most of his life in the Manning Valley, Allan has a great affinity with the area & has been many changes over the years. We have been larger properties being subdivided into smaller lots with the duty designation. This has so far our number of lots by a