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In This Edition



Charlette Nielsen completed her education at St Mary Of The Angels in 2021 with an ATAR score of 99.6. For more information see page 7.



Dan Wiltshire and his crew stripped the Nathalia Football Netball Club's crop in December 2021. For more information and photos about those who helped in the success of the crop turn to page 12.



Pictured left: Nathalia Bowls Club Championship winners. Ian Bolton and Philippa Schapper. See page 20 for the bowls report.



Pictured left is Roma with her Christmas Tree she made and decorated at Barwo in December 2021. For more photos and information see page 9.

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Thank-you Maureen

Just before Christmas Maureen McGowan made a surprise visit to Nathalia to catch up with friends. Because of poor health she left Nathalia to live with her daughter at Koraleigh NSW.

Maureen had been extremely community minded and was a valued member to a lot of groups.

She had been a PAG volunteer for almost 20 years and the President of the Hospital Auxiliary since its start in 2018. On behalf of both these groups Cheryl Thorn and Rosemary Robins presented Maureen with a potted Poinsettia flower and a 2022 Calendar.

They thanked her for her support over the years and wished her all the very best of health and happiness in the future.



L-R: Rosemary Robins, Maureen McGowan & Cheryl Thorn

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Moira Messages

Yarrowonga to Burramine Adventure Trail officially opened

The Yarrowonga to Burramine Adventure Trail officially opened in December with key contractors and project partners, adjoining residents, students from Yarrowonga College P-12 as well as Federal Member for Nicholls Damian Drum attending the ceremony.

Mayor Libro Mustica said the opening of the trail was the culmination and celebration of a great team effort.

“We now have an awesome new community asset that will benefit visitors and locals alike,” Cr Mustica said.

“This trail is the first stage in the large Murray River Adventure Trail, designed to invite a whole new population to experience and appreciate the Murray River environs.

“The trail connects from the Murray Valley Highway onto the magnificent Murray River where you will be able to walk and cycle through beautiful River Red Gum state forests.”

Cr Mustica said \$618,000 of funding was provided through the Australian Government under the Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program with the total cost of the build more than \$1.27 million.

“These initial works include 13.5km of sealed cycling/walking tracks constructed along the Murray Valley Highway, heading west of Yarrowonga to Burramine,” he said.

“In addition, the already existing road and trail networks within the Murray River Park have been highlighted and promoted with signage installed at various key points.

“This trail offers an expanded tourism product for existing users of the Murray River Park and will benefit the various tourism businesses along the trail, as well as the neighbouring and connecting townships, through extending the length of stay with the flow-on boost to the economy and employment.



Damian Drum MP at the opening of the Yarrowonga to Burramine Adventure Trail



“Burramine farmer Leo Kelly played a significant role in the development of this trail by generously leasing Moira Shire Council a small pocket of his own land to help complete this project, and I want to personally thank him for his fantastic contribution.”

Cr Mustica said he would also like to thank the following key partners and contractors for their support –

- The Australian Government and in particular Member for Nicholls Damian Drum.
- Parks Victoria
- Leo Kelly
- EDA Project Mana Management
- Tomkinson Surveyors
- O’Loughlin Excavations
- Red Gum Environmental
- Michel Signs
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- Murray Regional Tourism
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- Yorta Yorta Aboriginal Corporation



MEALS ON WHEELS

14th - 28th January

January 2022

Friday 14th	Sue Lowe
Monday 17th	Dawn Bowen & Fay Brown
Tuesday 18th	Mary Agius
Wednesday 19th	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Thursday 20th	Fay Hutchins
Friday 21st	David & Cheryl McKenzie
Monday 24th	Mick & Alison Keogh
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Probus News

On Tuesday 14th December President David McKenzie welcomed members and visitors to a short meeting prior to commencing the Christmas lunch and entertainment.

After completing the reports etc, Bob Bramwell presented chocolates to the members celebrating a birthday or anniversary and went on to entertain with some jokes and stories, such as: The story of the reindeer named Rudolph and a wise saying attributed to Dolly Parton: 'If you want the rainbow, you have to put up with the rain'. Some senior observations: Talk to yourself when you need expert advice!

Getting lucky means walking into a room and remembering why you are there.

And to include Santa: What did Santa's wife say to Santa during the storm? Come and look at the RAIN DEAR!

Upon the close of the meeting, Marcel and Rachel began the entertainment with some lively numbers. Grace Scolyer rendered her original song about Probus and Roving Roast served the traditional Xmas lunch.

The recipients of the Lucky Door Prizes were Cheryl McKenzie, Grace Scolyer and John Crane. Following a few more bright and cheerful numbers from the entertainers, the celebration was over for another year.

Some members met at Brereton's Bakery on Wednesday 5th January for the usual Coffee & Chat social get-together. We hope Covid will not cause as many interruptions in 2022 and look forward to the first meeting for 2022 on Tuesday 15th February. Best Wishes for the New Year to all.



Rotary News

Happy New Year everyone...may 2022 be a great year for all of us!

Well, here it is another new year and another year of regular articles to be submitted for the fortnightly RGC. This first article will be quite brief I'm afraid...I'm sure to make up for it as the year progresses.

Our get together, on December 19th, at the Barmah Hotel was a very pleasant way to spend a few hours and only one member and partner could not attend, due to illness, unfortunately. It was also good to go to Barmah for a social reason, not to "work".

We did however carry out some work after the Christmas guests left. The carpets had been cleaned so there was furniture to put back in place, cobwebs cleaned up, etc. before the next lot of guests arrived that same day (January 3rd) for a 4 night stay. Another booking came in for a 10 day stay beginning on 20th January and a few Rotarians will be at the property tomorrow afternoon carrying out a few jobs we didn't do at last working bee...cleaning light fittings for example. No further bookings till July but this will change.

Our last meeting for 2021 was on December 22nd and we held it in the Tuscany Room of the Court House Hotel. Our first meeting for 2022 was held at the Senior Citizens' rooms as the hotel was not open for Covid reasons. There was a double booking at the hall (U3A film night) so we held our meeting in the "pool room"; as there were just eight of us in attendance, it was large enough. We'll next meet on the 19th but the venue is not confirmed yet, and we hope to go out of town for our first February meeting (waiting on confirmation from Tocumwal club) if all goes well.

My next article will have more content, with a few Rotary related topics, but for now this is it.



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Celebrating Our Year 12 Students



Congratulations to all our year 12 students who put their best efforts into their studies this year and completed both years of their VCE / VCAL during a global pandemic.

The Dux of the College is Charli Dorrity. We congratulate her and wish her well in her chosen pathway!

We are confident students who have chosen Higher Education courses will be made offers of their choice. Many students have a range of other pathways mapped out into vocational studies and work, and we are confident that they will achieve success in their chosen field.

Pictured left: Bronwyn Leslie, Leading Teacher-Student Engagement, Charli Dorrity, Dux, & Helen Ginivan, Principal

First law of cartoon physics:



"Gravity doesn't work until you look down"

NCN HEALTH NATHALIA



Seeking New Members for Local Consumer Committees

NCN Health has three local Consumer Committees, one located at each campus. The Consumer Committees play an important role linking the community and the health service.

Committee members:

- Provide feedback and possible solutions to the issues and challenges facing the health service
- Speak on behalf of the community around health care needs and delivery
- Partner with the health care service to achieve national standards and accreditation

In 2020/21 committee members played a role in the NCN Health COVID-19 response, and provided a link to ensure key messaging and information was getting out into our community. In between restrictions, other projects

included 'Nathalia Garden' update, local defibrillator review, input into the Irvin House redevelopment and review of the telehealth experience across NCN Health.

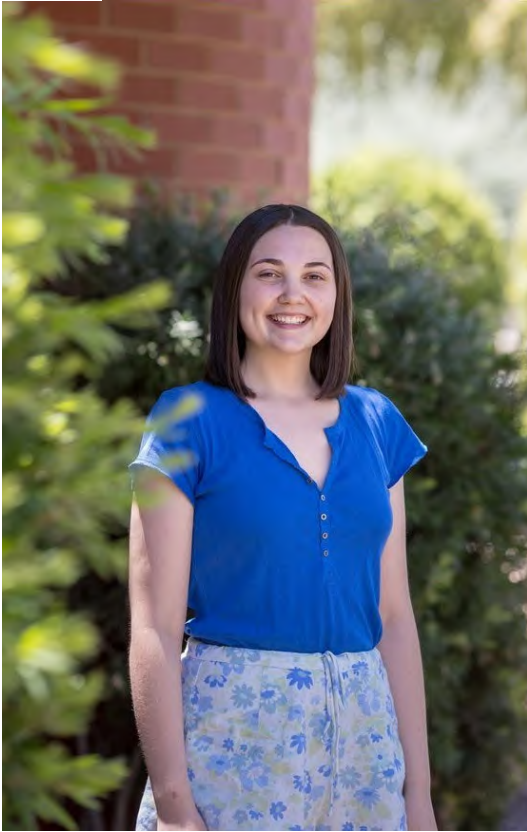
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Congratulations to the Class of 2021



Charlette Nielsen,
Dux of St Mary Of The Angels 2021.

It was with great excitement that St Mary's of the Angels College announced in December, Charlette Nielsen as the Dux of the College for 2021.

Charlette achieved an extraordinary ATAR of 99.6 placing her in the highest achievers across Victoria. Last year Charlette studied English, Art, Sociology and Business Management and in 2020 she fast tracked both Religion & Society and Psychology achieving excellent results across the board. She is to be particularly commended for her result of a study score of 40 in Sociology. In 2022, Charlette intends on pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (Law) at Monash University.

Throughout her time at the College, Charlette has consistently exhibited the Franciscan values of compassion and kindness. Last year was a trying one with extended lock downs and remote learning, despite this Charlette showed resilience and a drive for excellence. Charlette has shown great humility, quietly and diligently going about her studies. Furthermore, she showed great generosity, frequently helping those around her in their own learning, sharing resources, reading drafts and being a wonderful friend and supporter of the Arts.

We wish Charlette, and all our students, the very best of luck in the ventures in 2022 whether that be tertiary studies, apprenticeships or full time employment.



St Mary Of The Angels College students who received an ATAR 75+
L-R: Jen Smith, Piper Doyle, Charlette Nielsen, Olivia Plum, Bailey Roberts, Pasandi Sooriarchchi, Alexia Barca and Amy Steigenberger.
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Museum Moments...

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How things have changed.....

Upon reading through "Nathalia's History in Print", a book compiled by the Nathalia Genealogy Group, I found a listing of the Kotupna Hotels. Not one, but four Hotels once stood in the Kotupna area.

According to the "Pioneers of Nathalia and District, Book 4", William McCoy was one of the first settlers to select land at Kotupna in the early 1870's. In the early days of settlement there was a punt at the river crossing beside McCoy's selection, connecting Echuca and Kyabram with Nathalia, Numurkah and Cobram. In 1886 Mr. J.K. Taylor erected a bridge over the Goulburn River at this point and the punt became obsolete. The bridge had a lift section in the centre as at the time paddle steamers used the Goulburn River to carry stores to the settlers, and the wool, wheat and other produce to Echuca to the rail head.

A punt or bridge meant the convergence of travellers at one point and so what better place to build a hotel (or wine palace) to provide refreshments or accommodation for weary travellers. William McCoy had excised from his holding one and half acres for the establishment of a Rural Inn.

On the same day in March 1878 two men applied for and were granted licenses for a hotel each at McCoys Bridge, one belonging to William McCoy named the 'Bridge Hotel' and the other to William Ruler carrying the name of the 'Kotupna Hotel'. Mr Ruler also conducted a 'Rural Store' in conjunction with his hotel. Both hotels were situated on the east side of the Goulburn River, one on each side of the road.

By 1881 there were four licensed hotels at Kotupna.

1. William Hurndell had the Commercial Hotel near the present sites of the school and hall.
2. William McCoy still owned the Bridge Hotel.
3. Murdock McLennan had the Kotupna Hotel.
4. Timothy O'Hanlon had the Shamrock Hotel which was situated near the Deep Creek.

The Bridge Hotel was run by William McCoy until 1886 when it was taken over by D.S. McDonnell, with Jeremiah Ruler being the licensee from 1891 onwards. Janet Ruler purchased the Bridge Hotel in 1894. Later the hotel was occupied as a private residence by Mr. J. Johns but was destroyed by fire in 1915.

The Kotupna Hotel at McCoys Bridge, which had been in the hands of William Ruler, was in 1881, passed to Murdock McLennan until it changed hands again in 1887 to John Doncon. Thomas Henneberg was the licensee from 1890 and J.D. Ruler in 1893.

William Hurndell continued at the Commercial Hotel until 1890, when Joseph Cox became the licensee. William Hurndell was back again in 1893, finally relinquishing the hotel to Alexander Campbell in 1895.

The Shamrock Hotel seems to have operated for a short time only and the licence was not renewed after 1881.

Family connections..... William Ruler's wife Janet was the sister of Murdock McLennan.

We would like to hear from you as well..... If at any time you wish to tell a story, or provide some information or feedback, we would love to hear from you. You can call at the museum in Pearce Street any time that you see the gate open—usually each Tuesday and Wednesday, or on Open Day which is the second Sunday of the month (1.30pm to 4pm). To contact Jeanette phone—0420 247 480

February's U3A Film @ Night

Wednesday 2 Feb 7pm The Furnace

We screened, enjoyed and discussed January's film, **The Straight Story** whilst double vaxxed and boosted; all masked; all socially distanced and the doors open for circulation.

This may not sound your cup of tea. But for those seven of us there, it was the enjoyment of sharing the film as well as seeing the film that Leanne had so highly recommended.

Everyone gave four or five stars; somewhat surprised a film so restrained; travelling at lawn mower speed, could be so satisfying.

The Furnace is an Australian 2020 western style film in the blazing heat of the outback set in the 1890s. There is shooting and robbery and



David Wenham adding known star power in a catalyst role...but the story belongs to the unknown: the afghans, the Sikhs, the first nations peoples and the camels. So much to discuss. See classified advert for more details.

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Barwo- Decorating in December:



Making Wooden Christmas Trees with Nance, Jack & Roma

Residents were thoroughly entertained with Christmas activities during December. They made and beautifully decorated Christmas tags/hangers for their walkers or rooms and Christmas cards.

The activity that was the biggest hit was the wooden Christmas trees. The residents took great pride in making and decorating them. There were many assorted colours and designs and they were all very different upon completion. Each tree was unique and a fabulous work of art.

The Christmas trees were proudly displayed in their rooms.

Many residents spent a cherished Christmas Day away with family and some enjoyed a special Christmas lunch with staff at Barwo.



Right: Roma & Dorothy



Card making with Roma and Marie (left) & Betty & Rita (right).



Christmas Day with Graeme.

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Broken Creek Drama

GETTING OLDER

There comes a time for all of us when we become aware that we are getting older.

My wife and I were down in the city. After enjoying a play at the Melbourne Arts Centre we were walking back towards the centre of the city. It was a pleasant summer's night and as we crossed Princess Bridge we couldn't help but notice how beautiful the much maligned Yarra River looked. The reflections of Southbank's lights on the water's surface looked magical. We stopped in the middle of the bridge to admire the scene.

Behind us the traffic slowly crawled towards Flinders Street. The *doof doof* beat of music belonged to a car of young party goers among the stream of vehicles. As they slowly passed us, an inebriated young woman leaned her head out the rear window and shouted, 'Don't jump Grandpa.'

At the time, I pretended to be amused but was somewhat disturbed by her assessment of my age. It was nearly twenty years later when I really became a Grandpa.

Steve Brooks Endorsed As Liberal Candidate For Nicholls

Cobram Secondary College teacher, and local farmer 38 year old Stephen Brooks has been endorsed as the Liberal Party candidate for Nicholls in the upcoming Federal Election.

"I recognise that this is an enormously diverse electorate, stretching from the Murray to Broadford. We are culturally and economically diverse, a great place to live, but in the last six years our issues have slipped off the radar in Canberra." Steve said.

"I will immediately contact all of the communities in Nicholls to introduce myself and to start acting on federal concerns."

"Politics should be a place that resolves the issues that confront us locally, nationally and internationally. I want to restore the electorate's faith in their local member. I want people to know that "Brooksy has your back on this, he will listen, and then take action," Steve Brooks said.

Sharman Stone, former Liberal member for Murray, now Nicholls, is hugely supportive of Steve's candidature. "I am so pleased and relieved to see this experienced, keen, energetic young man ready to take up the fight in Canberra," she said.

"This is a tough job and not for the faint hearted but I know Steve has got what it takes. He will never stop trying, and will listen and act", she said. "And as a Liberal Steve will be at the table where and when the decisions are made. He will be on the top team, not alone, peering through the window, or having to vote with Labor."

Steve Brooks is a fourth generation local born in Cobram and raised on the family farm and went to secondary school in Shepparton. He worked overseas as a wheat trader and business man before returning home to start his own orchard. He is also a local secondary teacher.

"Teaching gave me a deep understanding of the pressures on our young people and their families, especially during COVID", Steve said.

He lists water security, business development, the environment, employment, child care, health, aged care, education, training and pathways to jobs as some of the key areas where he will work with people to deliver change for the good.

"I now live in Cobram, but have just rented a flat in Shepparton so I can better reach all of the 25,000 square km electorate during the campaign," Steve said. "I am determined to meet as many people as soon as possible, and I also want people to connect with me on social media. The election could be as early as March so there is no time to lose," he said.



Stephen Brooks

Sam Birrell Preselected As Nationals Candidate For Nicholls

Local Shepparton champion Sam Birrell has been preselected as The Nationals candidate for Nicholls at the next federal election.

Nationals State President Neil Pankhurst said as CEO of the Committee for Shepparton, Sam had demonstrated his strong track record of delivering for the people of Northern Victoria.

"I can think of no one better to represent the people of Nicholls in the Federal Parliament."

"Throughout his career, Sam has demonstrated he knows how to get things done to make our region a better place", said Mr Pankhurst.

Retiring Nationals Member for Nicholls, Damian Drum, said "as the local MP, I have worked with Sam for a number of years, and he has a deep passion for our region."

"He understands the issues facing our communities and will work tirelessly as part of The Nationals team to put Nicholls first."

Nationals State Deputy Leader and Member for Euroa Steph Ryan said she was looking forward to working with Sam to make sure that Nicholls received the resources and funding that the region deserves.

"It is important that Nicholls has a federal representative that can be part a Coalition Government that has a track record of delivering for regional communities."

"As part of the Federal Nationals team, Sam will be able to deliver for regional communities and make sure our voice isn't drowned out by city MPs", said Ms Ryan.

Mr Birrell said he was looking forward to the election campaign and welcomed input from across the electorate.

"I am proud of our region, and I love living and working here. There has been a lot of progress here in the past five years, much of it due to investment by the Federal Government. I want to be part of ensuring that continues, and the way that happens is with an engaged National Party member in a Coalition government."

"I am looking forward to engaging with constituents as I travel around the electorate during the campaign. It is my role to listen to your views and ideas, and to make sure that our leaders in Canberra hear what is important to our community," said Mr Birrell.

The Federal Election will take place on or before 21 May 2022.



Sam Birrell

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Nathalia Show Update

Another year, another COVID outbreak, but another hope it will be back to normal soon and start planning for it!

The Nathalia Agricultural Society is resuming meetings to plan for our Nathalia Show on Thursday 10th February, 7:30pm at the Nathalia Guide Hall in Weir street. The committee made the decision to suspend meetings until now after last year's Show was cancelled so there have not been many changes since our last updates.

We ran a very successful online show during October on our Nathalia Agricultural Society Facebook page and were very grateful of the community participation. All the big attractions that were planned for last year are still planned for this year.

There are a few members who are not able to resume their committee positions this year, so if ever you were keen to get involved with the Nathalia Show now is the time! This is just a general meeting, no elections will be happening until the AGM in



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Once again last year the Nathalia Football Netball Club was lucky enough to have the opportunity to plant another crop and reap the financial benefits off the back of much hard work and contributions from so many valued contributors. There is so much that goes into making this venture a success for the club.

There are many people to thank and the NFNC passes on its appreciation, with last year's massive achievement which will help further the facilities at the Nathalia Recreation Reserve.

Firstly the land we partnered in was made available by Greg Ross. Our Chief overseer Bones Vallender managed the project and ensured we get the best results we could, always growing a bumper crop. This year Kittyhawk wheat was sown thanks to it being supplied by the Brown Brothers from Kotupna. Dave Lewer again put in another massive effort, kindly sowed the whole crop, with fertiliser from Nathalia Fert and Grain. Spraying this year

was undertaken by Brett Hazelman and Peter Ryan. Feeding the crop throughout its growing months is important and was undertaken by Ash at Nathalia Fert and Grain with the help of the Wazer Family.

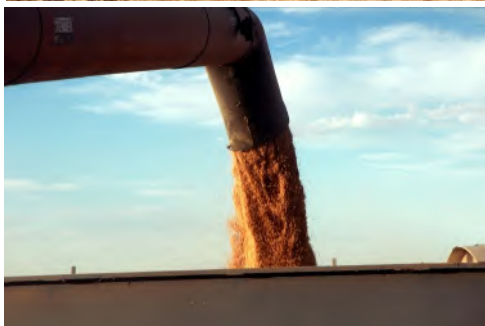
Stripping was carried out by Dan Wiltshire and his crew with chaser and field bins included in a busy year, thanks Dan.

Carting the grain is a big job with many hands needed, thanks to Dick Trimby, Fodder sales, James's stockfeed, Nathalia Fert and Grain, Jason Stone and Pete Mortimer.

Handling the grain at James's Stockfeed was also extremely stress-free and convenient thanks Sanga.



Pictured right: Dan's Ag mentor Oscar Magnusson



Christmas Decorations at Uncle Bobs Park



Photos Courtesy of Cheryl Thorn

NADDCO AGM and Christmas Celebration

A celebratory barbeque lunch was enjoyed by NADDCO on the 14th December at Uncle Bob's Park. Peter Evans kindly facilitated the AGM voting procedure and the following Office Bearers were elected for 2022:

Marie O'Brien President; **Veronica Morphett** Vice President; **Mary Agius** Secretary and **Andrew Watson** Treasurer.

We were then very pleased to welcome Peter as a new NADDCO member for 2022.

Many thanks to Marie's grandson, Lance, for cooking the barbeque meat for us and for taking the photo. A range of delicious salads were provided by members.

To finish of the occasion, Christmas gifts (one from each member) were piled on the table and a fun raffle was held, each member choosing one of the gifts as their number was chosen.

~ Lyn Loger



L-R: Andrew Watson, Marie O'Brien, Peter Evans, Marie Birch, Lyn Loger, Veronica Morphett, Louise Watson, (standing) Karen Bennett, Mary Agius and Mary Boxshall. Absent: Richard Murrell

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DEATHS

CONDOLENCES

BRUCE, Betty
23. 04. 1927 ~ 05. 01. 2022
Mother, mother-in-law, nan and 'old' nan to Trevor, Ros and family.

Betty's Funeral will take place Monday 17th January, 1.00 pm at the Tobin Brothers Chapel Echuca.

BRUCE, Betty
23. 04. 1927 ~ 05. 01. 2022
Loved nan and 'old' nan to Rebekah and Matt, Harry, Betty and Elvie; Laura; William and Bekky, Millie, Declan and Ryan.

FROSTICK, Trevor James
18.12.1937 ~ 21.12.2021
Peacefully after a short illness. Loving husband of Helen of 59 years. Loving father of Katharine, Elizabeth and Peter, Lucy and Rod, Genevieve and Vincent. Treasured Papa of Ruby, Geordie and Maeve, David and Liam, Molly and Ella.

"Put the coffee machine on Trevor".

~ Forever missed ~

A private funeral and burial was held on December 24 at Nathalia.

HODGE, John Raymond
02.08.1940 ~ 06.01.2022
of Numurkah.
Passed away peacefully at home. Ever loving husband to Isobel of 59 years,
Father, Dad and Pa to Cameron and Ann
Stuart and Kate
Benjamin and Karlene
Phillipa, Eleanor and Gretel
Amy, Laura and Sophie
Ethan, Joshua, Aari and Yolana



KELLY (Stanton), Marjorie "Marj"
23. 08. 1933 ~ 8. 01. 2022
Late of Nathalia, formerly of Echuca, passed away peacefully at Banawah, Nathalia Hospital. Wife of Pat (dec.). Our loving Mum, Nanna and Great Nanna, dearly loved by her children and their partners Michael; David and Julianne; Elizabeth and Tony; Bernadette and Wayne; her grandchildren Alisha, James, and Madelaine; Sam, Grace and Sophie; Darcy, Liam and Callum; Harry and Lilly; and her great grandchildren Sam and Emily.

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LEE, Arthur James 'Joe'
18.12.1939 ~ 27.12.2021
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*His pleasures were simple
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A place in our life no-one else can own.
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Joe's Graveside Funeral Service took place in Nathalia on Wednesday January 12, 2022.

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MICHEL (Cummins), Anne Maree
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~ Forever in our Hearts ~


HEATON - Kathleen
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LEE, Arthur 'Joe'
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~ Nathalia Senior Citizens 'Bingo Group'


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LEE, Arthur 'Joe'
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MISSEN, Mervyn Keith
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Masonic Brethren are respectfully invited to attend.

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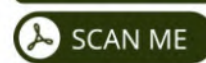




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2021 at the Club finished the year with Barefoot Bowls held on New Years Eve in conjunction with the New Years Eve Carnival Committee. A great night was enjoyed by all. Music was supplied by Mr. Mick. A BBQ was held and many raffles were drawn during the night. The New Years Eve Carnival Committee TV Raffle was drawn and won by Matt Chalker. The Barefoot Bowls was won by the Hutchins family led by Ashley Hutchins.



During December and early in January our Club Championships have been played



Pictured: Ian Bolton and Philippa Schapper champions for the men's and women's singles.

and the winners for the Men's Singles is Ian Bolton. The Ladies' Singles was won by Philippa Schapper. As Ian and Philippa are husband and wife the Club has had its first family of Champions in the Singles. The Men's Pairs Champions are Keith Holland and Alan Cooper. Congratulations to all, who now go on to play in the Region State Event Finals in the Murray Playing Area during March 2022.



Pictured: (L-R) Keith Holland and Alan Cooper Men's Pairs Champions

The much anticipated NEARLY NUDE BAREFOOT BOWLS starts on the 19th January. Barefoot Bowls is a fun activity and a bit of exercise in the fresh air and attractive surroundings and you play for free. Bowls are supplied, bar facilities available and a sausage sizzle will be provided. Barefoot Bowls is a great way to make new friendships or strengthen old ones as we slowly emerge from Covid 19 restrictions. So kick off your shoes and take to the rinks – you may well be one of the many people who develop a love for the game and really wish they had started sooner. For information on how to enter your name or team - Phone: Alan on 0417 151 108 or Kevin on 0458 506 400. It doesn't matter if you have never played bowls or any other sport before, so "don't say no – give it a go".

PENNANT returns this week, Midweek will be playing at Berrigan on Thursday 13th, 2021 and not Friday as Berrigan requested the change due to commitments at their Club on Friday. Saturday will go ahead as usual on the 15th at Nathalia against Barooga 2. Practice for Midweek is on Tuesday morning at 10am and Saturday Pennant practice is held on Wednesday at 4.30pm.

We have been fortunate enough to add three new Members. Fiona Rourke, Heather Palmer and Rosemary Glover. We welcome them to our Club and wish them all the best with us.

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In the Swing at Nathalia Golf Club

It has been wonderful to see visitors and members playing socially on the course over the Xmas/New Year holiday break with the sensible golfers playing early on the hot days to avoid the heat. The recent rain has livened up the fairways and thanks to our volunteers and to our Caretaker Brent who continue to work tirelessly to keep up with the watering and the mowing. The more watering the more mowing so it is never ending. Our Course Redevelopment Grant money has now been spent with most of the work completed in time with further work to re-sow and re-level the tee offs to be completed in Autumn. Our many thanks to all involved over the past few months with the course improvement program, we may only be a small golf club with limited members but we are very proud of our achievements.

We are very pleased to commence our weekly **Chicken Runs this Friday 14th January from 5pm** (weather permitting) and hope that our members and in particular our juniors and other would-be golfers in the community will support these fun 9 hole events. Everyone is welcome, great way to unwind at the end of the week and it is a great opportunity for social golfers, non members and beginners to come along, socialize and learn some skills and more about the game. Only \$6 for members, \$5 for juniors and \$15 for non-members. There will be a FREE sausage sizzle afterwards on the first week and drinks will be available, so hope you can make it.

SAVE THE DATE – The Annual Local Business Challenge Golf Day (team of 4 players) will be on **SUNDAY 20TH MARCH 2022**

RESULTS:

Wednesday Competition 15/12/21: 7 players took part in the Ladies 9 Hole Competition with Doreen Button having an amazing day coming in with 24 stableford pts. Well done Doreen !! Lynette Lindsay got NTP for the 2nd shot on the 9th. Many ladies went on to complete 18 holes.

Sunday 18 Hole Stableford 19/12/21: With a Xmas Ham for the winner it was great to have 14 players competing including 4 visitors and 2 ladies. There had been an early shower at 6.30am with thunder & lightening but the skies cleared and apart from a few spits it was a reasonable day although bit damp underfoot in places and this was reflected in the scores with only 3 players coming in with 30 pts or more. The winner of the Xmas Ham was Peter Poon with 33 pts with R/up Tony Brown with 32 pts. Tony won the tin of chocolates donated by Mike Deacon. NTP on the par 3 was won by Tony Wigmore from Strathmerton and the 2nd shot to the par 4 was won by Tony Brown. Great to see Graeme Sullivan back in town and back playing golf.

Wednesday Competition 22/12/21: The Ladies only played their 9 Hole Competition teeing off at 8.30am as wanted to celebrate afterwards with Xmas Morning Tea at Three Belles. The weather and the course were perfect and so very enjoyable. Sue Lowe was today's winner with 18 pts with Nance Dunn getting NTP on the 18th. Merry Xmas and thanks to all our Ladies who play throughout the year in the Wednesday competitions.

Wednesday Competition 29/12/21: Numbers playing down as many still busy over the holiday break. Winner of the 9 Hole Stableford event and the Dove Motors voucher was Sue Lowe with 19 pts and Sue also got NTP.

Wednesday Competition 5/01/22: Today the men joined the ladies and there were 10 players in the 9 Hole Stableford Event. Several players then went on to complete 18 holes. Teeing off at 8.30am and it was again Sue Lowe who took the 9 Hole win with 20 pts and the Limo's Voucher. NTP 2nd shot to the 9th went to Wendy Fulton.



Above: The Golf Ladies enjoying morning tea at Three Belles to celebrate Christmas on 22nd December



Above: Tony Brown got NTP on the Par 3 plus NTP 2nd shot to the Par 4 on the 9th January.



Above: Denis Dunn and Ray Freeman were both happy with a par on the 18th.



Above: Paul Fulton putting watched by Peter Poon & Graeme Sullivan on the 19th December.

Sunday 18 Hole Competition 9/01/22: Teeing off by 9am and 9 players on the course. It was a great day for golf with the course and greens in great condition after the recent rain plus were mowed the day before so in fine form. Thus there were some very good scores with Ray Freeman taking the win with 39 stableford pts with Denis Dunn R/Up with 38 pts. Tony Brown was again making his mark by lobbing his 2nd shot onto the 3rd green with 3 feet to take a birdie putt on the par 4. Tony also got NTP on the par 3 but not lucky enough to get another birdie. It was Peter Poon who got the birdie on the 18th putting his ball in from the front edge of the green.

COMING UP : **FRIDAY 14/01/22:** FIRST NIGHT - 9 Hole Chicken Run teeing off from 5pm with FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE afterwards. Everyone welcome.

SUNDAY 16/01/22: 18 Hole Competition – please assemble at 8.45 for a 9am tee off. Everyone welcome – Men, Ladies & Juniors.

WEDNESDAY 19/01/22: 9 Hole Competition with option to play 18 holes. Both Ladies and Men welcome. Assemble at 8.15 for 8.30am tee off.

TUESDAY 01/02/22: The Golf Club Committee Meeting 7.30pm at the Clubhouse and all members welcome to attend.

Nathalia Little Athletics Club Multi-Event



Lots of running, jumping and throwing at the Nathalia Little Athletics Club Multi-Event, held on December 15 2021. The event consisted of 5 events which all athletes could par take in. Points were awarded according to each athlete's performance, and then tallied to find the winners. Medals were handed out to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place getters. The evening concluded with a family BBQ cooked by the Nathalia Rotary Club, a special thank you goes out to them for helping out, and a big thank you to Nathalia Pharmacy for sponsoring this event, it is greatly appreciated for us to be able to run these events which are great fun for the kids.



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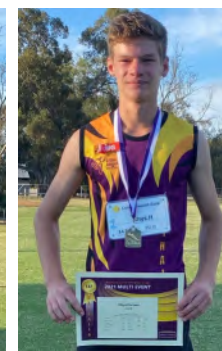
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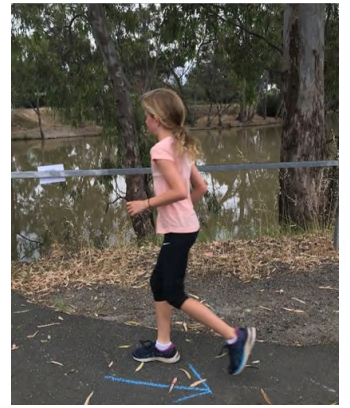
You'll never be the last to cross the finish line as we have a tail walker specifically to be the last so you don't have to be! It's free and it happens every Saturday. Our course requires a minimum of 5 volunteers to continue each week so far we've had a fantastic bunch of regular volunteers rotating through and would love new faces as well!

Registration is completely free and only needs to be done once, whether you intend to walk, jog, run or volunteer or do a combination of all these things! Simply register at <https://www.parkrun.com.au/register/> then bring your barcode (print or digital) and head down to the start line behind the tennis courts on Saturday morning! Briefing is at 7.50am, ready to run at 8am.



Registration allows you to track your participation and sends you your own result via email each time you come along. There are 438 parkrun events in Australia, and more than 90 in Victoria, so wherever you go you can use the same barcode.

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