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Nathalia's Australia Day Award Winners

(L-R): Junior Citizen of the Year: Kyle Morgan,

Community Organisation of the Year: Meals on Wheels, representative Margaret Cobbledick,

Arts, Culture / Environment Project of the Year: Picola & District Improvement Group Silo Art representative Jeanette Holland,
Community Event of the Year: Nathalia & District RSL ANZAC Day Services, representative Mackenzie Craig,

Citizen of the Year: Cameron Lancaster

For more information and photos see pages 12, 13 & 14.

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Postponed

Community **Update**



In response to the significant current COVID-19 outbreak and to support efforts to reduce the spread, Council has made the difficult decision to postpone our Australia Day Awards evening to a later date. Our nominees are exceptional and Council's

priority is to honour these members of our community and celebrate with them when we can in the manner befitting their contribution safely.

Keep an eye on our communication channels for the announcement of a new date soon



Rubbish disposal do the right thing

Going camping?

When it comes to waste, let's all do the right

Planning and preparation before you begin your trip will help eliminate any potential waste.

. We encourage campers to pre-sort their waste as items such as cardboard, glass, cans and plastic bottles are free to dispose of at any transfer station Transfer station locations and opening hours are available on our website or our Waste App.

CLEANING UP.

Please remember – what you take in, you should be prepared to take out; don't leave anything behind.

Ross River Fever warning - protect yourself from mozzies

Summer is often spent around our waterways. Protect yourself from mozzies and importantly, Ross River Fever, by taking some simple steps.

- Use effective repellent
- · Limit outdoor activities around dawn and dusk
- · Wear long, loose fitting clothes

New pet - register in January

Council is encouraging first time pet registrations throughout

If you register your new pet now, you will receive an extended registration period with 2022/23 fees not due until 10 April 2023. For more information or to register your pet go to our website



Community Budget Proposal – submit your ideas

is still qualified to be a councillor.

Mr Beitzel will perform his Oath of Office in the presence of

CEO Clare Keenan in coming days and this ceremony will

This will be Mr Beitzel's second term as Councillor – he

Extraordinary Vacancy

- John Beitzel elected

vacancy at Council due to the resignation of

Marie Martin has been undertaken by the Victorian Electoral Commission

John Beitzel was the successful candidate

and has completed a declaration stating he

A countback to fill the extraordinary

be shared on our Facebook page.

served on the previous term of Council.

We are providing the opportunity for residents and community or-ganisations to present project ideas to be included in the 2022/23 Budget that will make Moira Shire an even better place to live, work and play.

The first step in the project proposal process is to submit your fully scoped idea for infrastructure

works, projects, programs or events via our website. Submissions must be

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We Have Moved

fter operating our businesses at 53 and 55 Blake St, Nathalia, Rebecca Tenace (Broken Creek Podiatry), and Peter Limbrick, (Limbrick Accounting) have relocated to 5 Harcourt St, Nathalia.

The new offices were previously the home of Kevin and Pat Thorp and prior to that was part of the Foley family who operated the bakery now owned by

Major improvements were made to provide a reception area for both businesses and offices for Peter and Rebecca, staff kitchen facilities and plenty of storage for records.

Peter and Rebecca wish to thank C&C Wilson Builders for the fantastic job of renovating the home into offices, Matt Davies Electrical, Ricky Barnes plumbing,, Daniel Breen Air Conditioning and Lubke Engineering.

Big thanks also to Limos Hardware and Daniel Coutts Painting. Nathalia is very fortunate to have these tradies and the hardware store.

"Moving our businesses to Harcourt Street has given us much more room to operate and to property we own rather than rent."

"It has been a positive for the town as we are all still here and allows 2 new businesses to operate from our previous shops in Blake Street." Peter and Rebecca look forward to welcoming their clients to their new premises.



Rebecca Tenace, Susie Norris, & Peter Limbrick outside their new premises, 5 Harcourt St.







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Moira Shire Messages

De-fib protection for Strathmerton

mbulance Victoria (AV) has generously donated an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and AED cabinet to the Strathmerton community.

Mayor Libro Mustica said this donation would give local residents a greater chance of surviving cardiac arrest.

"The AED has been mounted outside the amenities block next to the Strathmerton Lions Park playground making it accessible to the community, including GoodSAM Responders any time of day or night," Cr Mustica said.

"The AED is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week which will help to improve health outcomes in the local community."

Cr Mustica said an AED was used to deliver a shock to help restore normal heart rhythm following a cardiac arrest.

"Minutes matter and the sooner a person receives cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and defibrillation from an AED, the better their chances of survival," he said. "This defibrillator has been registered with Ambulance Victoria, which allows Triple Zero (000) call-takers to direct people to this device in a medical emergency.

"If someone is in cardiac arrest and an AED is available, all anyone has to do is simply open it and follow the verbal instructions.

"They are safe and easy to use and will not deliver a shock unless it is necessary." This is the second AED AV has donated to the Moira Shire, the first one is located at the Katunga General Store and Post Office.



Moira Shire Cr Ed Cox (right) accepting the de-fib unit from Ambulance Victoria's Operations Community Engagement Liaison Coordinator Hume Region, Stefan Wycisk.



MEALS ON WHEELS

January 28th - February 11th

January				
Friday 28th Graeme Smith				
Monday 31st VOLUNTEER REQUIRED				
February				
Tuesday 1st	John & Eve Attwood			
Wednesday 2nd	Sherelle Smith			
Thursday 3rd	Margaret Richards			
Friday 4th	Patricia Hawks			
Monday 7th	7th Margaret Cobbledick			
Tuesday 8th	Kevin & Nina Pell			
Wednesday 9th	Sue Logie			
Thursday 10th	Heather Frostick			
Friday 11th Sue Lowe				

Laura, Volunteer Programs Co-ordinator - MHA Care Phone 03 5742 1111

Mobile Government Service Centre In Nicholls

Nathalia: Thursday January 27 and Friday January 28

The Federal Government's Mobile Service Centre will be travelling through the Nicholls electorate over the coming weeks to provide support to rural and regional communities.

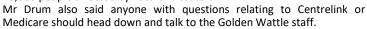
Staff from the Golden Wattle Mobile Service Centre staff will be on site to help people with essential government services, including Centrelink, Medicare, and Child Support. Golden Wattle is one of three trucks in the Mobile Service Centre fleet operated by Services Australia.

In 2021, the fleet was diverted to assist people impacted by bushfires in Western Australia, as well as severe storms and flooding across eastern Australia.

Federal Member for Nicholls, Damian Drum, said the versatility of the Mobile Service Centres means they can quickly move to different regions and are often one of the first points of contacts for people following an emergency.

"The trucks have been involved in 28 emergency responses where crews have spent over 400 days in around 300 different communities," Mr Drum said

"Mobile Service Centre staff have assisted more than 20,000 people affected by natural disasters."



"Staff on board Golden Wattle provide friendly face-to-face services, information and support tailored to customers in these rural and regional communities," Mr Drum said.

"They're able to help with Centrelink claims, Medicare registrations and a number of other essential government services."

Minister for Government Services, Linda Reynolds CSC, said Mobile Service Centres demonstrate the Federal Government's commitment to ensuring all Australians get the support they need, no matter where they live

"It's important that communities in rural and remote areas can access essential government services easily so they can get on with their lives," Senator Reynolds said.

"In total, Mobile Service Centres have travelled more than 970,000 kilometres since 2006 and have assisted over 166,000 customers in more than 5400 communities.

"Golden Wattle will be travelling through regional Victoria during January and February to ensure people in these regions can continue to access the services they need in 2022."

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Damian Drum

MP

NATHALIA UNITING CHURCH Margaret Cobbledick Ph: 5866 2037

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HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH - NATHALIA Reverend Victor Adams, Ph 0403 918 927

January 30th: 8.00am Holy Communion February 6th: 8.00am Holy Communion St Paul's - Wakiti Creek

February 6th: 1.30pm Holy Communion

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Seeking **New Members!**

athalia Show meetings to resume 10th February - Seeking new members!

Meetings for Nathalia Show are set to resume Thursday 10th February -see advert in classifieds for all the details.

After a 2 year break it will be great to get the Show back up and running. Hopefully all the work done last year will mean this year's Show is already planned out!

Many of our helpers have retired or gotten busy with changing family commitments this year, so we are calling for all interested people to please, please come along to our meeting and help keep the Nathalia Show alive.

This is not an AGM, just a meeting to assemble interested people. committee meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the evening between February & November.

The show is always the 1st Saturday of October. You don't need any special skills to be a part of the committee, just an interest in keeping the Show going for Nathalia.

Please RSVP or direct any gueries to numbers in classified advert.



Finalist in Graduate of the Year

n 2021 Jessica Daniel from Nathalia Printers was nominated for the Graduate of the Year award presented by the Lithographic Institute of Australia (Victoria). The LIA is an informative organisation that connects individuals and businesses involved in the Graphic Arts Industry.

Jessica was nominated by the Holmesglen Tafe College where she completed her certificate III in Digital Printing. She was one of the top four finalists in Victoria to be nominated for this award. The finalists were interviewed by the LIA judging panel, and had to supply a portfolio of their work.

"It was a great honour to be nominated, I would really like to thank my employers Roland and Di Huber, Holmesglen Tafe and the LIA for this incredible opportunity," says Jessica.

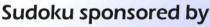
The LIA award announcement was to take place mid last year, but was postponed to late December 2021. Jessica was awarded a certificate in recognition of outstanding efforts and results performed during her period of education at her workplace and training facility within Graphic Arts Industry.

Roland, Di, Anna and Jeanette congratulate Jessica on her achievement.



Print **Communications** finalist for Graduate of the Year 2020 Jessica Daniel with Nathalia Printers owner Roland Huber.







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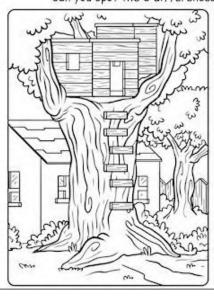


Photos by Di. Above: I was given a pair of gardening gloves a couple of months ago and I haven't needed to use them - they were sitting on a chair on the verandah. I noticed some bees hanging around the gloves, when I looked closer they were collecting the rubber that they were dipped in! This cannot be good!

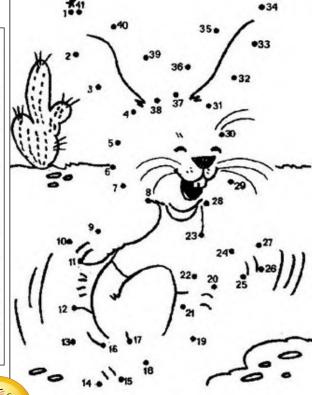
Left: This kookaburra took advantage of the harvest season, scooping up a meal as the crop was cut.

Kid's Page

Can you spot the 8 differences between these two pictures?







- 1. What is the last thing you take off before bed?
- 2. What invention lets you look right through a wall?
- 3. What begins with an 'E' and ends with an 'E' but only has one letter?
- 4. What bird can lift the most?
- 5. What goes up but never comes down?
- 6. If two's company and three's a crowd, what are four and five?



3. An envelope 2. A window. 1. Your feet off the floor.





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Rotary News

F all goes well...

the Show and Shine will go ahead on Sunday, March 20th. Some advertising has gone onto various websites and there will be plenty of other advertising done through flyers, newspaper, radio, in the not too distant future. On looking through our files, our inaugural event was to take place in April 2012; thanks to the floods that year, and the oval being under water, the event had to be cancelled. The following year, in March, we held a very successful event but, despite that, there were no more car shows until 2016. We decided to run the event each third Sunday in March and succeeded until Covid-19 put a stop to the 2020 event. Last year, at the last minute we pulled the pin thanks to heavy rains! Let's hope that it is third time lucky and that we'll successfully hold this event in 2022!

Three Rotary volunteers worked at the respite house on January 15th, some work being done indoors and some outside. Another job that was carried out was the installation of a new key safe; we had one that ran on batteries and over the years they went flat on 2 occasions, necessitating unplanned trips to the property to open the safe with a special key. Now there is a digital key safe like the bookshop and GRAIN store have so there will be no need to go to Barmah unexpectedly.

At May 31, 2021, there are 25,880 Rotary members in 1,056 clubs in 19 districts in Australia. Worldwide there are 1,196,404 members in 36,922 clubs in 545 districts in 220 countries/geographic areas.

Our last meeting was again at the Senior Citizens' rooms but this time we had the venue to ourselves. It was mostly a social evening, with only a couple of Rotary items being brought up. Pizzas and garlic bread were our meals, BYO drinks, there was plenty of Fellowship over dinner and we had two partners and a young granddaughter of one member join us too.

For some months we had talked of having a movie night and were able to have one this week. The popular choice, out of three on offer, was RAMS (an Australian comedy/drama). The young girl and her grandmother had to leave during the movie but the rest of us stayed on till the end; we couldn't have "choc tops" but there was cake, and even chocolates, during the movie. Everyone enjoyed the film and the evening, and the pizzas were delicious.

Next week we will have a regular meeting and will discuss a number of items on the agenda, which is growing. The meeting with Tocumwal Rotary is booked for February 16th and we'll get all the necessary information in plenty of time.

There are a number of international projects that Rotary is involved in which save lives, malaria being one.

Malaria is preventable and treatable. Yet, the disease kills one child every two minutes. Rotarians Against Malaria, in conjunction with governments in each of its partner countries is working to eliminate this deadly disease. The malaria parasite "Plasmodium" is carried by infected female "Anopheles" mosquitoes and transferred to humans during a blood meal. In malaria endemic countries, children under five, pregnant women, farmers and forest workers are vulnerable. The poor are disproportionately affected.

The article continues on about how over the past 20 years, globally, progress against malaria was impressive. It has now stalled but the work continues. Through generous donations by Rotarians, RAM Australia contributes to ending malaria in five countries: PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Timor-Leste, and West Timor. Timor-Leste, Vanuatu, and West Timor are now close to malaria elimination. In contrast, malaria is increasing in PNG and the Solomon Islands. More will be written about this, and other matters, in future Rotary News articles.

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Museum Moments...

Brought to you by Jeanette Holland on behalf of the Nathalia & District Historical Society.

A report in the *Riverine Herald* dating back to September 1880 describes the debate over where to install a bridge over the Broken Creek at Narioka.....

"The Committee appointed to enquire as to whether the proposed bridge over the Broken Creek instead of being erected in James Road as ordered should not be erected on the geodetic road dividing the parishes of Narioka and Moira reported that after fully investigating the matter they recommended that the site in James road should be adhered to, especially as if the bridge were erected on the geodetic line it would be within a mile and a half of the bridge at Wright's. Cr Broom opposed the report and strongly supported the site on the geodetic line. The President moved the adoption of the report which was seconded by Cr Hughes. Cr Shackell suggested that as there was much diversity of opinion a good way of settling the question would be by taking a poll of ratepayers interested. Cr. Murphy moved as an amendment, that a poll of ratepayers in the parishes of Narioka and Picola be taken. Cr. Broom seconded the amendment which was negatived. Cr. Shackell moved as a further amendment that a poll be taken in the parishes of Moira in addition to Picola and Narioka. This was strongly opposed by Cr. Griffiths and was negatived. The motion was then carried."

Further reporting in the Riverine Herald dated 27 October 1880

"Cr Shackell said a most unwarrantable departure from routine had been made in accepting tenders for the bridge over the Broken Creek, which was taken out of the usual time, and during his absence, knowing he was opposed to the bridge. They had acted illegally in calling tenders before the proposed time had arrived...... He would put in a written protest against the bridge being constructed....... The President ruled Cr. Shackell out of order."

Another article written by the 'Narioka Correspondent' appeared in the Riverine Herald dated 12 Nov 1880.....

"The Broken Creek bridge site, which has caused as much excitement here, as the disgraceful Kelly affair has in Melbourne, seemed to be settled at last, the contractor having commenced operations."

The Riverine Herald again reported the discontent of Cr Shackell on 1 December 1880..... "That the bridge be not at present proceeded with.....



The resolutions were carried in his absence His formal protest had been disregarded......The bridge was being pushed forward as rapidly as possible...... As for the bridge itself, it was not required. It would benefit certainly not more than five persons and in reality was being erected for the advantage of one man, who wishes to build a public house close to it....... There were scores of small works that were urgently required throughout the riding, for which money could not be found, and yet the Council could sanction the expenditure of something like £500 on this useless bridge...."

I believe the first James Bridge at Narioka was built by 1886. Many newspaper reports during 1914 and 1915 show Shire Council discussion about re-decking this bridge and selling the old timber.

Pictured at left is young Trevor Holland on the approach to the original James Bridge in the 1960's. A replacement timber bridge was built, just slightly downstream of the first bridge in the mid 1960's. At times of low water the remnants of the first bridge can still be seen on the north bank of the Creek.

In 2006, the current new concrete bridge was built in its place.

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.



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Kelly's Big Freeze

People young and old enjoyed Kelly's Big Freeze 2.0 after COVID's postponement during 2021. The sun was shining and the day went off just how we had planned. The day's entertainment was enjoyed by everyone, which included a huge water inflatable, chair swing, live auctions and an open aired dance floor bopping away to "Gone Rogue". Plenty of food with afternoon tea, roast beef rolls, sausages and the famous purple lolly stand next to the snow cones.

The 35-degree day made the Big Freeze slide enjoyable for all participants to go down. We saw everything from animals to Kelly's basketball kids slide the slide; we even had a visit from twin Chers. The smile on Kelly's face was priceless!!

The major raffle winners were:

1st Prize: Dogga \$2000

2nd Prize: Lisa from Barmah: \$1000 3rd Prize: Lisa from Barmah: \$500 4th Prize: Dave and Gineen: \$100 5th Prize: Stacey Ross: \$100

Through the efforts of everyone, we were able to raise a total of \$33,812 from the day. A massive thank you to every individual, business and our generous community for contributing to this event, without your support none of this would have been possible. This money will be given directly to Kelly's family to continue her fight against MND.

A message from Kelly and her family: The love and support Kelly felt on Saturday was something extraordinary. Thank you to everyone.















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And now, here's the \$72.50 bread and butter pudding. They kept giving her the eggs. They wouldn't take money. It took her three months and thirteen dozen eggs before she found something acceptable to trade.

keep getting away with that ratio?



Broken Creek Drama

She always prided herself on financial truth telling.

Her wedding ring, a \$2 Haida souvenir, she called her \$100,002 ring because that is how much the year in the US and Canada actually cost. Her sour dough bread-making during the 2020 Covid 19 lockdown had to factor in the \$1700 for the replacement laptop after she inundated the first one with starter when she tried to show the Zoom others its consistency. She stopped counting and baking loaves once they reached the \$5 a loaf price point. She also heard deafening silence when she stopped plying her friends with the

loaves.

Her quandary was...would she



60th Wedding Anniversary



 ${\mathbb R}$ etired bank manager Geoff Ward and wife Tessa celebrate 60 years married on 3rd February.

Dear Tessa,

Congratulations Tessa for putting up with me for 60 years on 3.2.2020, You deserve a medal for your devotion and endurance covering that long period.

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Nathalia & District Men's Shed Update

The Shed has reopened Monday to Friday, 9am till 12pm, unless under lockdown or members haven't turned up.

Membership is \$50 per annum (with an October AGM).

Please call the Secretary, Steve Manley on 0407 343 794 if you have questions or community support requirements.

Our monthly meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of most months, followed by lunch, with the cost being covered by donations.

The Shed is available be appointment and can be opened out of normal hours by members as long as they meet "Training & Safety" requirements.

New Councillor for Moira Shire Council

John Beitzel has been elected as a councillor for Moira Shire Council, after the Victorian Electoral Commission conducted a countback of votes at 10 am on Wednesday 19 January.

The Election Manager, Mary Facci, declared the result after a countback of votes from the general election held in October 2020. Only those candidates who were unsuccessful at the general election and

who were still eligible to be elected were included in the countback process.

The extraordinary vacancy arose due to the resignation of Councillor Marie Martin.



Energy Efficient Grants Up For Grabs Again

Pood and beverage manufacturers in Nicholls are being encouraged to apply for grants of up to \$25,000 to improve their energy efficiency and adopt new technologies under the latest round of the Federal Government's Energy Efficient Communities program.

Federal Member for Nicholls, Damian Drum, said the funding could be used to upgrade existing equipment, conduct energy audits, or improve energy monitoring and management.

"Lowering business energy emissions is an essential component of securing Australia's carbon neutral future and I urge local businesses to apply for these grants," Mr Drum said.

"I look forward to seeing local businesses benefiting from the Federal Government's commitment to back business as part of our journey to becoming carbon neutral."

Assistant Minister to the Minister for Industry, Energy and Emissions Reduction, Tim Wilson, said the program was targeting small and medium food and beverage manufacturers, which include some of the most energy intensive businesses nationally.

"Reducing needless energy consumption cuts emissions and is at the heart of the Federal Government's focus on technology, not taxes, because it boosts competitiveness, creates new jobs and reduces Australia's environmental footprint," Mr Wilson said.

The food and beverage manufacturing industry is the largest manufacturing sector in Australia, contributing around \$22.4 billion to the economy annually – the Federal Government is supporting this vital sector as it recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

More information, grant guidelines and application forms are available at www.business.gov.au/EECFB or call 13 28 46.

Applications close February 18 or earlier if funding is exhausted prior.

Nathalia Wildflower Group

ur January wildflower morning started in foggy conditions but ended in a glorious morning at the Barmah Lakes area.

Many plants were studied along the water's edge where insects were observed clinging to the leaves and stems of native plants.

Whilst relaxing during lunch break, we were delighted when a couple of young resident kookaburras dropped in to join us.

Heather and Judy came in close contact with a Red Bellied Black snake who was soaking up the morning sunshine and both were able to capture close-up photographs.































Don't forget you can see these photos in colour online: www.redgumcourier.com.au

Nathalia Australia Day Awards

athalia held their Australia Day Awards function on Wednesday night outside at the Nathalia Recreation Reserve. Congratulations to Leanne Pell, Loula Oliver and their helpers for their efforts in getting the event organised. The crowd well down as expected, but lots of fun as usual. Guest presenters were Suzanna Sheed Independent Member for

Shepparton Wayne Limbrick, Moira Shire Councillor. The event was also attended by last year's winner David Vaughn, Federal Candidates Rob Priestly and Steve Brooks. Winners were presented with a famed certificate and a callistemon plant.



Citizen of the Year: Cameron Lancaster

Cameron Lancaster was born and bred in Nathalia District. His family dates back from the first settlers around Nathalia. Cameron went to Nathalia Primary School then Nathalia Secondary College.

Cameron played football for Picola in both junior and seniors and has won the Best Club Person. He also coached the 4ths. Cameron was also involved in basketball when it first started Nathalia. He also played tennis for Picola.

Cameron then married, settled down and had



two children. Cameron is a very devoted father and family man. He helped out whenever he was required at his children's schools.

Cameron was also involved in the Numurkah singers from age 21 and involved in quite a few productions. He was also involved in two Shepparton productions.

Cameron has helped back stage in the productions that his children were involved in. He was also involved in the Secondary College productions. Always ready to lend a hand when needed.

Cameron did a two year course in Chaplaincy, he then volunteered teaching Religious Education at Nathalia Primary school. Cameron then spent 14 years as School Chaplin at Nathalia Primary school.

Cameron is now employed as a tutor to help encouraged children who need a bit extra.

Cameron is involved in the Picola CFA and is an Elder at the Church of Christ in Numurkah. Being in the Picola CFA, Cameron helps out in times of duress. Being a Pastor he helps many people in the Moira Shire. Cameron is always on hand to help families when a bereavement occurs and conducts services for many a family. Cameron is a leader in the community and communicates with and helps many people in the District.

Cameron loves being a part of the community and helping whenever he can. He loves living in the district and being supportive when required.



Junior Citizen of the Year: Kyle Morgan

Kyle Morgan was born in 2006 and was born with Autism Spectrum Disorder. From an early age, Kyle had a dream that he wanted to become a pastry cook and own his own bakery. Kyle is passionate about his footy team St Kilda. He loves to go fishing with his family. He loves to help out at home, looking after his siblings and helps whenever required. He loves music and his favourite show is The Voice.

Kyle loves his own company just sitting, listening to music or fishing.



On his 15th birthday, Kyle applied for a job at the local bakery, Brereton's and asked for an apprenticeship in Pastry cooking. Kyle worked in the bakery for about 6 weeks and was then offered an apprenticeship.

Kyle's dream is coming true for him. Although challenged, Kyle applies himself to every task. He is a highly valued member of staff. He has not let his disabilities stand in his way. Kyle is living his dream. We're sure that one day Kyle will own his own bakery and with his younger brother as manager.

Kyle has also managed to save and has bought his own caravan which he is fixing up to live in.

Kyle's nomination for the Australia Day Awards is a great example to other children who are struggling with fitting into the school system. Children today really need someone to look up to and Kyle is the perfect example. He always has a smile on his face and always talks to everyone he passes in the street.



L-R: Australia Day Hosts: Loula Oliver, Leanne Pell & Moira Shire Councillor Wayne Limbrick



Community Event of the Year: Nathalia & District RSL, ANZAC Day Services



L-R: Councillor Wayne Limbrick, RSL members Loula Oliver, Mackenzie Craig, Mark Oliver, Marie Birch, Suzanna Sheed MP

The RSL club of Nathalia and District was formed 100 years ago in 1921. The club started from the early soldiers settlement families from World War 1. Nathalia is a very big soldier settlement area. The RSL has helped a lot of citizens around the area particularly through Legacy. It currently has approximately 36 members consisting of ex service men and women and also affiliated members. The members are very dedicated to keeping alive the ANZAC spirit. With this in mind every year they have the Early Morning Dawn Service. The also hot with Barmah RSL the morning march.

Mackenzie Craig the president of the RSL has been in this position for around 10 years and is a wonderful speaker and is very dedicated to and about the RSL as are all members.

The Dawn Service is held at the centaur in Blake St Nathalia. The citizens and RSL members meet to honour the brave men and women from all the wars. The president of the RSL Mackenzie Craig welcomes everyone and then acknowledges the history of ANZAC. He then does the Requiem for the people killed in wars. Mackenzie then recites the Ode. The flags are then raised to half mask accompanied by the bugle player and the last post. The community and RSL members are provided with a gunfire breakfast cooked by the Nathalia Lions Club.

The RSL club have incorporated with the Barmah RSL to hold the march. The RSL invites schools, CFA, Councillors, members of Parliament and the citizens of the district to join in the Dawn Service and also the ANZAC March. Their relationship with the Lions has lasted for many years. Many people are prepared to put up their hands and help. The citizens fo Barmah also provide morning tea for the community. This helps foster and build our communities together. People of the towns make the towns, so this makes is a very successful morning.

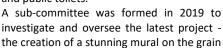




Annual Australia Day Bowling Competition Winners Left: U10s: Curtis Morgan, Right: U12s: Dylan Morgan

Arts, Culture / Environment Project of the Year: Picola & District Improvement Group, Silo Art

Picola & District Improvement Group was formed in 2002 with the aim of bringing vitality and a community bond to Picola and surrounds. The small committee has worked very hard to enhance the appeal of the small rural town over the years with establishment of a park containing heritage information signs, a gazebo, barbecue, play equipment and public toilets.





silo in Picola. This artwork depicts the flora and fauna which you would likely see on a visit to Barmah Forest today.

The Picola Silos Art Project has made a significant contribution to the Picola/Nathalia community. The artwork provides an uplifting and pleasant view for both locals and visitors alike, attracting many visitors from far and wide as there is a growing desire to see this type of art.

The mural also tells a story of the close association to the Barmah Forest. It features links to previous indigenous culture, past white settlement culture as well as current day scenery.

There has been a huge increase in visitation to Picola since the silo artwork has been completed. Traffic counters placed before and after the painting showed an increased flow of vehicles and the local residents are amazed at the interest generated.

The painted silo has put Picola on the map as a must-visit location for may tourists. The silo art is listed on Silo trails throughout Victoria and Australia.

The painted silo has also been instrumental in encouraging a buyer for the Picola Hotel. This hotel has been closed for two years, but has recently reopened.

Silo Art trails have become popular throughout Australia. They are often visited by bus loads of tourists as well as tag-along driving tours and family groups. These tourists all bring their custom to nearby towns as well as Picola. Lunch at Nathalia or Barmah often form part of these outings.

It has been great to see the bus and car loads of people gaining pleasure from the work of talented artist Jimmy DVate.

The content of Picola's silo art is also very important. Artist Jimmy is very passionate about wildlife and in particular endangered species. The committee was keen to bring awareness to the public of what can be seen in the Barmah Forest. The flora and fauna painted includes a magnificent Superb Parrot, an Egret and the endangered Bittern among other things.

As a challenge to viewers, and a point of difference, the Picola silo painting has a hidden hook for the public to find. This is a connection to the past, as Picola was called 'The Hook' because it was on the end of the line - a reference to the railway line.

A signboard at the front of the silo tells the story of the artwork and gives credit to all the sponsors of the project. A video of the project has also been made available for promotional purposes at the Nathalia Heritage and Education Centre as well as Nathalia Bendigo Bank.



L-R: Suzanna Sheed MP, Picola & District Improvement Group members: Jeanette Holland, Joan Theyers, Kerry Bruce, Graeme Smith, Bronwyn Ryan, Councillor Wayne Limbrick

Nathalia Australia Day Awards

Community Organisation of the Year: Meals On Wheels

Meals on Wheels are delivered by volunteers through all weather conditions each weekday, throughout the year. Some members have been delivering for 40-50 years.

The members who deliver Meals on Wheels are all volunteers and are also called upon to fill spots in the roster at a moments notice, young and old alike. They are very grateful to the local schools for their part in helping with deliveries.

The Meals on Wheels volunteers benefit the locals by caring for the elderly, lonely, and help make sure that are all healthy. They are a support group to the Hospital, Police, and any other

organisations that can make the client's life a little smother.

Clients are so grateful as perhaps the Meals on Wheels volunteers are the only contact they have all day.



Meals on Wheels Volunteers: L-R: Margaret Cobbledick, Councillor Wayne Limbrick, Sue Lowe, Mary Wilson, Marg Richards, Graeme Smith, Suzanna Sheed MP



Australia Day Celebrations for PAG Clients

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A big Happy 94th Birthday Noel Woodhouse (far left) and a special Friday Birthday, Happy 60th to Julie Ebbels (right).



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Humankind: A Special Two Days Only Pop Up Exhibition curated by Bill & Veronica Kelly...Friday 4 February and Saturday 5 February On display in the Main Gallery of the G.R.A.I.N. Store



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It is not often art or an artist, makes the front page of The Shepparton News. Well our Bill Kelly did just that with the Opening of his thoughtful and fascinating exhibition:

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DEATHS

HEATON, Kathleen Frances

Passed away at Banawah Nathalia on 23rd December 2021.



Mrs Heaton was laid to rest at Fawkner Memorial Park, Melbourne on 5th January 2022.

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MISSEN, Mervyn Keith

Passed away peacefully at Banawah Nathalia, aged 94 years.



Dearly loved son of Roy & Jean (Dec). Devoted and loving husband of Marie for 68 years. Devoted and loving father of Darrell (Dec) and Wayne (Buddha) & Daddy Merv to Margy.

Dearly loved Grandpa Merv, to Dawn & Tony.

Dearly loved Great grandpa Merv to Renae & Sam, Brooke & Jacob, Lachlan & Lilly, & Laura.

We will miss his sense of humour & cheekiness.



Mr Missen was laid to rest at Barmah Cemetery on 7th January, 2022.

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RENDELL, Grant Carlisle

17.12.1958 ~ 13.01.2022 Only son of June and Lisle (dec), Beloved husband of Elwyn, Loving father of James and Lauren, Matt and Bek, Emma and Mark, Hannah and Rod. Adored Pa of Connor, Molly, Ella, Harry, Betty and Evie.

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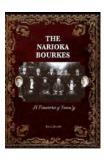
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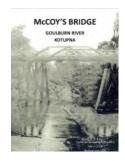
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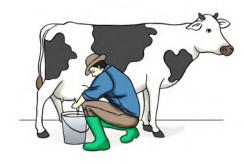
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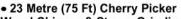
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awn Tennis Club News

 \P here was no tennis played last weekend due to the bye for lacktriangle tournaments being played around the state. The week prior saw Goulburn Valley Div 3 West v Kyabram Redbacks. GM3 and Div 1 both had the bye.

GM3 West report - Saturday 15/1/22: With a reinvigorated team for the new year Nathalia traveled to Kyabram in good spirits to compete against the top team. The men's team included the father son Bakogianis duo who both pulled off three set wins for the day, which was unfortunately not enough to upset Kyabram Redbacks 7 sets 83 games to 6 sets 66 games. Alex and Nick Bakogianis fired up early on in the doubles 8/4 and Nick scored well with David Scadden for victory in a tiebreaker. Alex enjoyed a more comfortable win in his singles, 6/1. However, the ledger was mainly in deficit for the women with Meradith Smith and Loretta Richardson scoring the only winning doubles set 8/6. The visiting team took out two wins in the mixed doubles, Alex Bakogianis and Rose Nihill with a long and intense set 8/6, with the other winners Nick and Corina

Junior News: This Friday 28th, our junior players have been invited to a junior development day from 9:00am until

1:00pm. This event is sponsored by Ryan Meat Company. The purpose of the day is to develop individual tennis skills as well as understanding match play and strategy, all whilst building on good sportsmanship and tennis etiquette. Club coach Mark Mills will run the day. Players will be involved in a number of activities including coaching, match play, ball machine challenge and fun games. The club appreciates Ryan Meat Company's continued focus on junior development.

Our junior teams will return to competition this Saturday after the break for holidays. Green hotshots players will begin their competition play on Saturday February 5th and play each Saturday morning during February. Players will need to sign up for this competition as they will be put into teams to play singles and doubles each week. To sign up, please do so through the hotshots messenger

Nathalia Twilight Tennis:

Twilight tennis will be played on Friday evenings from 5.45pm. Teams of 4, mixed gender. Keep an eye out for the start date.

Nathalia Showgrounds parkrun

here was a bit of fun had at last Saturday's parkrun with some of the group getting in the spirit of "tutu" (2-2) day for the 22nd of the month. Some very enthusiastic wearing two tutus, to account for the year 20tutu!



Nathalia Showgrounds parkrun started on 4th December 2021. Since then 98 participants have completed 143 parkruns covering a total distance of 715 km, including 13 new Personal Bests.

A total of 28 individuals have volunteered 49 times.

Pictured (L-R): Tony O'Connell (parkrun Regional Ambassador) Jacqui O'Connell, Allison Smith, Helen Williams, Liam Smith, Janelle Poar, Theresa Williams and Kate McNamara.



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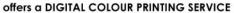
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2021 FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE DRAWS

Picola & District Football **Netball League**



Blighty

Picola United



		Picola & District
Round 11		Football Netball League 11-June
Yarroweyah	V	Berrigan
Tungamah	V	Picola United
Deni Rovers	V	Katandra
Katunga	V	Strathmerton
Waaia Mathoura	V V	Blighty Jerilderie
Katamatite	V	Rennie
Tocumwal	٧	BYE
Round 12		18-June
Blighty	V	Deni Rovers
Mathoura	٧	Tungamah
Katamatite	V	Berrigan
Rennie	V	Tocumwal
Jerilderie Waaia	V V	Yarroweyah Picola United
Katandra	V	Katunga
Strathmerton	•	BYE
Round 13		25-June
Tungamah	V	Strathmerton
Berrigan	V	Blighty
Tocumwal	V	Mathoura
Katamatite Picola United	٧	Yarroweyah
Katandra	V V	Rennie Jerilderie
Katunga	v	Waaia
Deni Rovers	•	BYE
GENERAL BYE		2-July
Round 14		9-July
Deni Rovers	٧	Berrigan
Strathmerton	V	Tocumwal
Yarroweyah	V	Blighty Picola United
Mathoura Katandra	V V	Katamatite
Rennie	v	Katamatite
Waaia	V	Jerilderie
Tungamah		BYE
Round 15		<u>16-July</u>
Strathmerton	V	Mathoura
Katamatite	V	Deni Rovers
Tungamah Jerilderie	V V	Rennie Berrigan
Tocumwal	v	Waaia
Katunga	v	Yarroweyah
Picola United	V	Katandra
Blighty		BYE
Round 16		<u>23-July</u>
Blighty	V	Katamatite
Rennie Jerilderie	V V	Strathmerton Deni Rovers
Waaia	v	Tungamah
Berrigan	v	Katunga
Tocumwal	V	Katandra
Picola United	V	Yarroweyah
Mathoura		BYE
Round 17		<u>30-July</u>
Rennie	V	Mathoura
Jerilderie Waaia	V V	Blighty Strathmerton
Katunga	v	Deni Rovers
Katandra	v	Tungamah
Picola United	v	Berrigan
Yarroweyah	V	Tocumwal
Katamatite		BYE
Round 18		6-August
Katamatite Mathoura	V V	Jerilderie Waaia
Blighty	V V	waaia Katunga
Strathmerton	V	Katanga Katandra
Deni Rovers	v	Picola United
Tungamah	V	Yarroweyah
Rerrigan	v	Tocumwal





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Round 1		2-/	April	
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Tongala	V		ngupna nuca United	4
Moama	V		mbalara	,
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Finley	٧		murkah	
Congupna	٧		bram	
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Nathalia	V		aiwaia Dama	
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Deniliquin	٧		ley	
Numurkah	٧		mbalara	
Tongala Moama	V V		thalia nuca United	4
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Cobram	٧		rooga	
Round 4			-April	
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Barooga	٧		ılwala	
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Numurkah	٧		thalia	
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Deniliquin	٧		ngupna	
Moama	٧		rooga	
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Tongala	v		murkah	
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Finley	٧		ılwala	
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Cobram	٧		murkah	
Deniliquin	٧		thalia	
Echuca United	٧		ngupna	
Mulwala	v		<u>-May</u> bama	
Rumbalara	v		rooga	
Tongala	٧		ley	
Round 8			-May	
Cobram	٧		ngala	
Finley	V V		mbalara	
Mulwala Congupna	V		niliquin rooga	
Nathalia	٧		านca United	t
Moama	٧		murkah	
Round 9			<u>une</u>	
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Tongala	٧		ngupna	
Round 10		<u>11</u> -	-June	
Congupna	٧		murkah	
Nathalia	٧		ngala mbalara	
Mulwala Echuca United	V V		mbalara pama	
Finley	V		niliquin	
Barooga	v		bram	

Murray Football Netball League

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Round 11		<u>18-June</u>
Numurkah	٧	Finley
Tongala	٧	Barooga
Deniliquin	٧	Echuca United
Cobram	٧	Mulwala
Rumbalara	V	Nathalia
Moama	V	Congupna
Round 12		<u>25-June</u>
Echuca United	V	Numurkah
Barooga	V V	Rumbalara
Nathalia Deniliquin	V V	Congupna Moama
Mulwala	V V	Tongala
Finley	V	Cobram
GENERAL BYE	•	2-July
Round 13		9-July
Rumbalara	v	Finley
Numurkah	V	Barooga
Cobram	V	Nathalia
Congupna	V	Echuca United
Moama	V	Mulwala
Tongala	V	Deniliquin
Round 14		<u> 16-July</u>
Echuca United	٧	Tongala
Barooga	٧	Finley
Nathalia	V	Mulwala
Rumbalara	٧	Numurkah
Congupna	V	Deniliquin
Moama	V	Cobram
Round 15		23-July
Tongala	٧	Moama
Deniliquin	٧	Rumbalara
Mulwala Finley	V V	Barooga
Cobram	V V	Congupna Echuca United
Cobraili	V	24-July
Nathalia	v	Numurkah
Round 16 Split	•	30-July
Congupna	v	Moama
Barooga	V	Deniliquin
Rumbalara	V	Tongala
		6-August
Finley	V	Nathalia
Numurkah	V	Cobram
Echuca United	٧	Mulwala
Round 17		13-August
Deniliquin	٧	Numurkah
Moama	V	Nathalia
Mulwala	٧	Finley
Barooga	V	Congupna
Rumbalara	V	Echuca United
Tongala	٧	Cobram
Round 18 Cobram	v	<u>20-August</u> Deniliquin
Congupna	V	Mulwala
Echuca United	v	Barooga
Finley	v	Tongala
Nathalia	v	Rumbalara
Numurkah	v	Moama
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FINALS		
1st Elimination	Final	27-August
2nd Elimination		U
2nd Semi Final		3-September

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1st Elimination Final	27-August
2nd Elimination Final	28-August
2nd Semi Final	3-September
1st Semi Final	4-September
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Grand Final	17-September

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whilst the hot weather deters some it does not seem to bother others. Although we are noticing that at this time of year many players are preferring to play earlier and it is not unusual to see people out on the course having a hit at 7.30am. Not much different from

going for a walk at that time and of cause it makes sense so you can avoid the heat.

Whilst the first week of the Chicken Runs on Friday 14th January only encouraged 7 participants it was heartening to have 17 contestants, both men and ladies last Friday 21st and it is so much more enjoyable as the more players the better the competition. Someone asked me "why is it called a chicken run?" and I'm unsure of the answer, some people may know, but many clubs run weekly Chicken Runs during the summer and they are usually from 5pm so the game is opened up to non-members and the community who do not get a chance to play during the day. Plus it is a social event and usually followed by drinks and eats so please consider coming out to join in and support our local golf club. We do have some players who prefer to play in the morning and then return around 6.30pm for presentations etc. If this is a better option for you than all that is required is you have a playing partner, play the correct 9 holes, either front or back, and this will be on the window each week, count your strokes and after play put your card with the entry fee down the green fee slot. Entry fee is \$6 for members, \$5 for all juniors (under 18) and \$15 for nonmembers and it is OK to have a non-playing

NEW MEN'S CAPTAIN – We are very excited to announce that Stan Verlinden

has volunteered to take on the Captain's role that has been vacant for some time. BIG THANKYOU and congratulations Stan. Stan and his wife Sonia moved to town and joined up as members about 2 years ago. Both play regularly and are enthusiastic and passionate about golf. Stan is keen to lower his handicap and learn more about the game and we are confident that Stan will make a great Captain.

SAVE THE DATE: The Annual Local Business Challenge Golf Day (team of 4 players) will be on Sunday 20th March 2022.

RESULTS:

WEDNESDAY COMPETITION 12/01/22: MIXED 9 HOLE COMPETITION with 13 players teeing off from 8.30am and the winner with 19



Above: Visitors from Strathmerton Golf Club - Tony Wigmore, David Youd, Lee Talbot with Chris Boyden teeing off on the 3rd.

Numurkah & District Hardcourt Tennis Association

Saturday the 22nd January results:

Katamatite 6 sets 63 games def Picola United 3 sets 52 games Yalca North 6 sets 63 games def Katunga 3 sets 44 games.



Above: Winner on Sunday 23rd Ray Freeman with President Denis Dunn and new Captain Stan Verlinden.



Above: Leanne Hawkey putting on the 18th, watched by Doreen Button

stableford pts was Ray Freeman. Alison Keogh got NTP on the 18th. Some players went on to complete 18 holes.

FRIDAY 9 HOLE CHICKEN RUN from 5pm 14/01/22: Only 7 entries and the winner of the IGA Cooked Chook Voucher was Ray Freeman with 20 pts.

SUNDAY 18 HOLE COMPETITION 16/01/22: Stableford and there were 11 players and it was a Tony kinda day with Tony Cavallaro winning with 34 pts on a c/back from Peter Poon also on 34 pts. NTP on the par 3 was Tony Brown with Tony Wigmore from Strathmerton NTP 2nd shot on the par 4.

WEDNESDAY COMPETITON 19/01/22: MIXED 9 HOLE COMPETITION with 13 participants in the running with the earliest teeing off from 8am. Peter Poon had the best score with 20 stableford pts with Lynette Lindsay R/Up with 19 pts. NTP for the ladies was Alison Keogh and there was no NTP for the men. Whilst some retired after 9 holes many went on to complete 18 holes.

FRIDAY 9 HOLE CHICKEN RUN from 5pm 21/01/22: Playing the back 9 and it was great to have 17 contestants, much improved from last Friday. Whilst some chose to play in the morning others chose to play at 5pm. The winner of the IGA Cooked Chook Voucher with a very nice 22 stableford pts was Paul Fulton with John Drenen on 21pts and Wendy Fulton

on 20 pts not far behind. NTP went to Peter Poon. Thanks to all who played and those who returned to the Clubhouse afterwards to enjoy drinks and the FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE.

SUNDAY 18 HOLE COMPETITION 23/01/22:

Another Stableford round and there were 12 players plus 3 ladies out having a hit on the course. Great to have the Strathmerton fellas back again and they sure looked the part in their brand new Golf Club shirts. There were some really good scores with Ray Freeman again in the winning photo coming in withy 40 pts followed closely by Denis Dunn with 39 pts. Chris Boyden got the 2nd shot NTP on the par 4 with Tony Brown winning NTP on the par 3.

COMING UP: FRIDAY 28/01/22: 9 HOLE CHICKEN RUN from 5pm or earlier if you prefer. Will be the front 9 – yellow for ladies & blue for men and this will be followed by a FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE with drinks available, a great way to wind down from the working week.

 $\underline{\text{SUNDAY 30/01/22}}$: 18 hole Stroke round – 8.30am for 9am tee off and everyone welcome.

<u>TUESDAY 01/02/22</u>: Golf Club Monthly Meeting 7.30pm at the Clubhouse and all members welcome to attend.

WEDNESDAY 02/02/22: MIXED 9 HOLE COMPETITION playing the back 9 – red for ladies & white for men. 8.15am for 8.30am tee off with option available to go on to complete 18 holes.

FRIDAY 04/02/22: 9 HOLE CHICKEN RUN from 5pm — will be the back 9 (10 to 18) with FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE afterwards and everyone welcome to play.

SUNDAY 06/02/22: 18 hole PAR round – 8.30am for 9am tee off and everyone welcome.



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Nathalia Bowls Club News

IDWEEK PENNANT commenced on January 14th playing Round 8 at Berrigan and after traveling to Berrigan Nathalia1 – 49 went down to Berrigan 1 - 67 shots.

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Round 9 was played at home against Cobram 2 on 21st January, with Nathalia 1 managing to get home by 2 shots up overall. Final scores were Nathalia1 - 60 shots to Cobram 2 - 58.

Berris Baldwin's team of Tessa Ward, Heather Palmer and Philippa Schapper had a massive win covering Bev Hutchins and Fiona Rourke's rinks. Round 10 is at home against Barooga Sports 2.

SATURDAY PENNANT Round 8 played on 16^{th} January, 2022 at home against Barooga 2 with Nathalia1 - 46 shots to Barooga 2 – 71 shots. Nathalia won on 1 rink. Round 9 was played on 22^{nd} January at Tocumwal on the carpet. Nathalia went down on all 3 rinks. We will be looking for a better result next round when Nathalia play Berrigan 1 at Berrigan.

NEARLY NUDE BAREFOOT BOWLS which commenced on Wednesday 19th January, 2022 to be played over 4 weeks and sponsored by Gagliardi Scott, was a great success. Great conditions prevailed and how good it was to see 30 bowlers playing **Barefoot Bowls** under lights in such an awesome venue. The standard of bowling ranged from outrageous through chaotic to vaguely stylish. All Nearly Nude Bowlers enjoyed themselves hugely and it's fair to say that the image of lawn bowls as being a genteel sport suffered a severe blow.



Above: Janine Kopsidas receiving an award at Nathalia's Nearly Nude Barefoot Bowls under lights.



Above: Claire Andrews & Marlene Moor both winners for awards at the Nearly Nude Barefoot Bowls Night on Wednesday 19th January.

Some very dodgy scoring identified Sono's Stars (Sono Grandell, Helen McRae and Trevor Price) as being winners although the runners up (Vic Kendall, Levi Borden and John Gillard) cried foul and lobbied for an enquiry. The 2 winners of the Jack Attack disappeared into the bar with their loot and haven't been seen since. Claire Andrews won the Kitty in the corner while Marlene Moor fluked the nearest the pin prize. All bowlers stood in awe as the hugely talented Janine Kopsidas managed to put 6 of her bowls on the wrong bias while the alarming skills of Tracey Cotton saw 10 of her bowls hurtle out of bounds and, regrettably, a couple of them disappeared completely.

Amidst the general mayhem and laughter, there were glimpses of real talent and style which is a reminder that lawn bowls is a multi-level sport and great fun for all participants across all ages. Contact Kevin Scolyer or Alan Cooper to put your name down.

Bev Hutchins, Berris Baldwin with Sue Jamieson from Picola competed in the Murray Bowls Playing Area Women's State Triples at Finley on Sunday 16th January and came out winners and will move to next round against a team lead by Linda Isted on January 30th at Finley. We wish the Girls good luck.



NT Football

n Saturday 22nd January, Reni Hicks played in the Northern Territory Women's Representative team against SANFL side Woodville-West Torrens. The NT team won by 78 points. NTFL 12.8.80 to Eagles 0.2.2 Reni played in the centre for the first two quarters, then in the forward line and back to the centre for the last quarter. Reni is credited with 2 goal assists says her mum, Rhonda Hicks, who flew up to surprise Reni and watch the game.



Reni is pictured with Chris Baksh who coached the Men's Representative team to a win NTFL 12.11.83 to Eagles 10.5.65.





Above is Nathalia women's footballer Elley Pinnuck who played her first game in the Northern Territory on Wednesday, January 19th in the green and gold for PINT Women's Reserves team and managed to score a cheeky goal.

She is pictured above with Reni Hicks who plays for PINT in the Women's Premier League.

Pictured left: An action shot of Reni during the NT Representative game. Photos by Felicity Elliott - AFLNT Media