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## NATHALIA & DISTRICTS NEWSPAPER

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## Rotary Awards

At the latest Nathalia Rotary Changeover meeting, two important awards were presented. Anthony Oliver received the Paul Harris Fellow which is Rotary's highest award. Anthony Oliver is pictured being presented with his certificate and pin by Rotary District Governor Neta Kirby.



The Ross Smith Community Service Award was presented to Leanne Pell for all the work she does for the community. Guest speaker Wendy Lovell presented Leanne with flowers. Leanne is pictured here with incoming Rotary President Loula Oliver, Ross Smith and Wendy Lovell.

For the full Rotary report and photos turn to page 9.

Rotary  
Club of Nathalia



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# PREMIERSHIP REUNION '3



Premiership past players, coaches and officials are invited to the WFNC club rooms from 12pm for a catered lunch and drinks.



**ROUND 16**  
22/07 Versus  
Mathoura



Check out our page for more info  
Waaia Football Netball Club

**SENIORS**  
1953

**B GRADE**  
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**UNDER 17'S**  
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**UNDER 15'S**  
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**RESERVES**  
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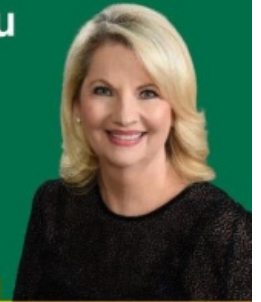
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My Office is always happy to assist with all State Government matters, so please contact my Office if you may need assistance.

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## Community Update

### Startup Shakeup and Click Region Programs 2023

Join us for an exciting Business Development Workshop in Numurkah on **Tuesday 18 July 2023, 6pm - 7pm, Shamrock Hotel, 5-13 Melville Street, Numurkah.**

Mel Antony, a program

extraordinary will share cutting-edge strategies and insights for success in today's competitive landscape.

Mel Antony will also be hosting a Cashflow Workshop

on **Thursday 27 July 2023, 12pm - 1pm, Online event** Discover a fresh perspective on cashflow and learn how to transform your business approach.

Visit our website for more information and to register.

#### BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

Tuesday 18 July 2023  
Shamrock Hotel, 5-13  
Melville St, Numurkah  
6pm - 7pm

#### CASHFLOW WORKSHOP

Thursday 27 July 2023  
Online Event  
12pm - 1pm



### Dollar Discovery Weekend

Explore your own backyard and grab a great deal for just \$1.

**Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 July 2023**

Indulge in value-packed weekend of delicious fresh produce and one-of-a-kind local experiences. Reconnect with loved ones and show your support for our incredible local businesses across the region. Visit our website to view the map of local businesses and the deals on offer.



### Animal Registrations

All animal registrations were due on 10 April 2023, as per state government regulations.

Our officers will be phoning people who haven't yet paid to remind them their registrations are now overdue.

To make a payment simply visit our website or give our friendly Customer Experience team a call on (03) 5871 9222.

### Flood Recovery Mobile Hub

Need assistance with flood recovery? We're here to help! Drop by our Mobile Hub for guidance, support, and valuable resources. Enjoy complimentary coffee and donuts while discussing your needs.

**Tuesday 18 July 2023**  
**10.30am - 12.30pm**

**Barmah General Store**

Contact the Flood Recovery Team on (03) 5871 9222.

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Tuesday 18 July 2023  
10.30am - 12.30pm  
Barmah General Store  
Recovery information, assistance and guidance with coffee provided

Rural Financial Counsellor and  
Former Wellbeing Officer from 03  
582 88327



### Council Meeting - July

The next scheduled meeting of Council will be at 4:30pm pm **Wednesday 26 July 2023** at the Cobram Civic Centre.

This meeting will be open to the public as well as being live streamed on our Facebook page. Questions from the public must be submitted using the Questions of Council form on our website by 4:30pm the Monday prior to the meeting. Submitted Questions will be responded to during Question Time of Council.



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# Nathalia District Welfare donate \$10,500 to the community

With many thanks due to all our past and present volunteers we have now almost completed our 5<sup>th</sup> year of operation at 47 Blake Street, NATHALIA.

The Opportunity Shop continues to operate very successfully and we are extremely pleased to have been able to assist many local people, following the floods, as well as our Hospital Services, Community organisations, local Pre-Schools and schools by providing a donation of much needed funds to assist with the operations and learning outcomes of these various groups.

Despite the fact that it is a little on the small side we have managed to stock the shop with an enormous amount of quality clothing and items donated generously by the people of Nathalia and district. The shop is now almost filled to overflowing. We are very grateful for all this support. This year we have raised a large amount of money and are very excited to be able to support our community with monetary donations to the value of \$10,500.00.

**The beneficiaries include:**

- Banawah Nursing Home,
- Barmah Heart to Heart House
- Barmah Kindergarten & Occasional Care Centre
- Beautify Barmah Committee
- CFA – Barmah, CFA – Kaarimba,
- CFA – Kotupna, CFA - Nathalia,
- CFA – Picola, CFA - Waaia,
- CFA - Yielima/Yalca
- Friends of Nathalia District Hospital Auxiliary,
- GV Health Oncology Unit
- Moira West CERT Nathalia,
- Nathalia Cemetery Trust



- Nathalia Community Early Learning Centre,
- Nathalia District Hospital
- Nathalia District Nursing,
- Nathalia District Hospital – P A G
- Nathalia & District Pre-School,
- Nathalia Lions Club
- Nathalia Little Athletics Club
- Nathalia Primary School
- Nathalia Secondary College
- Picola Red Cross
- St Vincent De Paul



Our small band of volunteers are kept very busy and have generously donated their time to provide the community with this service. We thank them sincerely for this. If you are able to spare 4 hours on a monthly basis to help with the running of the shop it would be gratefully appreciated. Please visit the shop and offer your services if you are able.

**Our General Meetings** are held on the first Monday of each month, excluding December and January, at the Senior Citizen's Rooms commencing at 10.00am.

**We are open** on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10.00am – 2.00pm as well as Saturday from 10.00am – 12noon. Come in and browse around, you may find a bargain!

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>** at **10.00am** in Senior Citizens Rooms. All new, past and present volunteers are welcome to attend.

~ Management Committee.



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## JULY SPECIALS

**\*Home Deliveries\***

**Nathalia:**

Monday to Friday

\$6 Delivery fee for over \$50 spend, \$4 for over \$100 spend, \$2 for over \$150 spend

Free for over \$200 spend  
Orders placed by 12pm for delivery 4-6pm

Waaia/Bearii/Katunga/ Yalca/Yielima/Strathy:

Wednesdays

\$6 Delivery fee, Minimum spend \$40, Orders placed by 8am for delivery 10am-1pm

Barmah/Picola/Picola

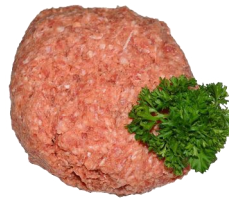
**West:**

Thursdays

\$6 Delivery fee, Minimum spend \$40, Orders placed by 10am for delivery 12-6pm

**Sausage Mince**

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**Supa Flame  
Firelighters  
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**1kg Carrots  
\$1.29ea**



**Click and Collect:**

\$4 Picking fee  
Monday to Friday Minimum spend \$40

Place order by 8am -  
Collect between 10am-1pm

Place order by 11am -  
Collect between 1pm-4pm

Place order by 2pm -  
Collect between 4pm-6pm  
\*subject to change

**TRADING HOURS**

**Mon – Fri:  
8am-7pm**

**Sat – Sun:  
8am-6pm**

# Caterpillar Corner

## MND Awareness Day



On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, Nathalia Community Early Learning Centre held an MND Awareness Day to help raise awareness and show support towards the disease and people/families who are going through it.

Families, children and staff were all invited to wear a touch of blue on the day to show their support. Blue was worn in many ways whether it was the MND Beanie, socks, jumper, t-shirt, pants or ribbon/bow.

In the morning and afternoon, we held an Ice Bucket Challenge - educators nominated themselves for the ice cold challenge. Our brave educators were: Abbey Shanahan, Bianca Attoni, Storm Guthrie, Tanya Holland, Tyler Atkins, Sam Butler, Bow Stuart and Zoe Germon.

NCELC would like to thank our families and the community for their support and encouragement for our educators to participate. Without you, it would have been much harder.

We thank everyone behind the scenes who helped to make this day possible – especially for the Ice Bucket Challenge – a lot of work and organization went in to making it a great event for all.



We even managed to convince Peter Halden to join in too! Educators took turns on who got to sit on the chair to get the ice cold water poured over the top of them! Children and other staff sat patiently waiting for the fun to begin!! Thank-you to our pourers: Alkira Britton, Sarah Delwig, Kate Butler, Storm Guthrie, Tyler Atkins, Jodi Curtis, Danielle Germon and Brax and Carol Storer (who was having too much fun!!). Children from each room got to sit down and watch the show which they all thought was so funny. The children would chant who they would like to go first and would continue chanting until all the educators had gone through.

At the end of the day, NCELC were happy to announce that as a service we made a donation to the FIGHTMND.org.au as part of the awareness day.



## MEALS ON WHEELS

14th - 28th July

July	
Friday 14th	Mary Agius
Monday 17th	St Mary's of the Angels
Tuesday 18th	Dawn Bowen & Patricia Hawks
Wednesday 19th	Nathalia Primary School
Thursday 20th	Marlene Moor
Friday 21st	David & Cheryl McKenzie
Monday 24th	St Mary of the Angles
Tuesday 25th	Darryl Hill & Mary Wilson
Wednesday 26th	Nathalia Primary School
Thursday 27th	Carmen Gilson
Friday 28th	Graeme Smith

**If you can cover one of the volunteer required runs please contact Laura, Volunteer Programs Co-ordinator - MHA Care Phone 03 5742 1111**



## CHURCH TIMES



### ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Ph: 5866 2694

Nathalia Parish Priest - Fr Jophin Joy

Nathalia Mass times:

Tuesdays: 9:15am - Reconciliation following Mass

Thursdays: 12:30pm

Sundays: 9:00am

Strathmerton

Mass will be held 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday of the month at 6pm

### NATHALIA UNITING CHURCH

Margaret Cobbledick Ph: 0429 662 039

July 9th: 9.30am Combined Service, Anglican Church to visit.

July 16th: 9.30am Service

Picola

2nd & 4th Sundays: 9.00am

### HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH - NATHALIA

Priest: Rev. G Rippon

July 9th: 9.30am Holy Trinity to visit Uniting Church

July 16th: 8.30am Holy Communion

### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Contact - Erik 0411 731 916

Every Saturday: Services 10am & 11.30am or Zoom.

124 Graham St., Shepparton.

# Dollar Discovery Weekend, celebrating and supporting our local business

Moira Shire residents are invited to take part in the upcoming Dollar Discovery Weekend being held on 22 and 23 July at tourist spots right across the shire.

Over 60 amazing businesses are on board this year, offering a number of products and experiences from just \$1.

Over this weekend, residents can enjoy scrumptious local produce, coffee, wine, golf, donuts and much more - all from just \$1.

Spend a winter weekend indulging on a budget while you reconnect and show your support for our incredible local businesses across the region.

Moira Shire Council Chief Administrator John Tanner AM complimented almost 60 local businesses for taking part in the \$1 Discovery Weekend.

"Local businesses play a crucial role in the overall well-being and growth of communities," he said.

"We have many businesses here being recognised nationally and internationally for their customer service, product development and innovation for which we all should be proud.

"They contribute significantly to the local economy, create employment opportunities and help build a sense of community pride."

Mr. Tanner said the growth of business in the Shire was a key focus of the Administrators in making the Shire a hub of business growth, innovation and development across not only small business, but also the larger ones in horticulture, dairy, agriculture, transport, food processing and tourism.

"Investing in local businesses is an investment in the future, ensuring sustainable growth, job creation, and a thriving local economy for generations to come," he added.

"Money spent at local businesses circulates within the local economy, creating a multiplier effect.

This leads to increased job creation, higher wages, and overall economic growth, benefitting business owners, staff and residents."

Mr. Tanner said the unique products and services of the participants in



the \$1 Discovery Weekend reflected the local culture and identity of the Moira Shire.

"This interconnectedness creates a positive ripple effect throughout the local economy," he said.

"The success of one business supports the success of others. This ecosystem fosters a collaborative and mutually beneficial environment, leading to further growth and development and a vibrant neighbourhood."

Dollar Discovery Weekend is a celebration of all our great local businesses, we encourage all residents to get out and explore our region and make the most of the deals.

You can plan your weekend by viewing all the attractions on the Moira Shire website.

[moira.vic.gov.au/Visitors/Dollar-Discovery-Weekend](http://moira.vic.gov.au/Visitors/Dollar-Discovery-Weekend)



## What's On Locally

July 15	Nathalia Poultry Auction
July 22	Nathalia Uniting Church Market Day
July 24	Bingo 1pm @ Senior Citz club rooms
Aug 4	SMOTA Songwriters @ The G.R.A.I.N. Store Nathalia
Aug 5	Can Art Stop A Bullet? Screening with Bill Kelly Appreciation @ The G.R.A.I.N. Store Nathalia
Sept 2	Bushwackers Song & Dance, The G.R.A.I.N. Store, Nathalia
Oct 7	Nathalia Agricultural Show
Oct 13	Geoff Achison Blues Rock @ The G.R. A. I. N. Store, Nathalia

Contact Nathalia Printers if you would like your event added to the What's on Locally calendar.  
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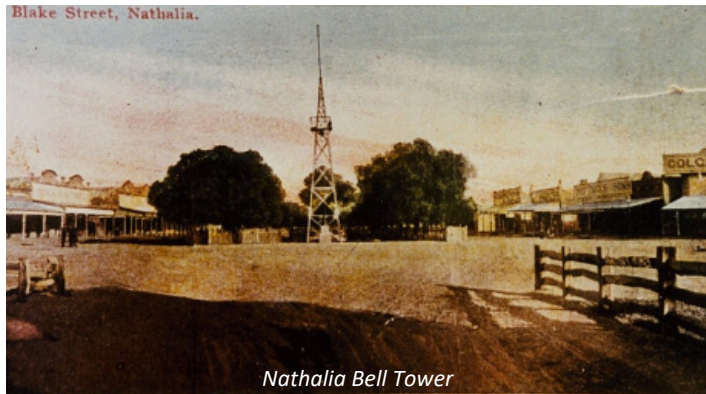
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# Museum Moments...

## BELL TOWER CONSTRUCTED BY MESSRS. SNOOKS AND JONES

With the newly established Nathalia Fire Brigade in November 1900, it was soon realised that a loud bell was needed to alert not only the townspeople but also the fire brigade volunteers. *The fire bell and cry of fire brought members of the brigade with a rush.* It was through the generosity of Mr. Snooks, who provided the **bell tower**, charging less than half of its value. In October 1902, the *Numurkah Leader* stated that: *Whilst on tour of inspection, Inspector Marshall, asked for estimates of cost from Messrs. Snooks and Jones [tinsmiths of Nathalia] with a view of having similar structures erected in other parts of the state. The Nathalia bell tower was one of the first of its kind in Victoria, which was recommended to quite a number of other brigades.* On 9 January 1903, at a meeting of the Numurkah Shire Council, the *Numurkah Leader* printed the following information. The paper stated that: *Members of the Nathalia Fire Brigade asked if the fence in front of the reserve in Blake Street could be removed to the back of the band stand, in order to give free access to the fire bell.* Their request was granted as on 16 January 1903, the *Numurkah Leader*, confirmed that: *The fire brigade bell tower had been painted, and the Shire Council had decided to have the fence removed to the back of the rotunda, so as to make the tower more accessible for the ladder practice.*

On 21 July 1904, the *Numurkah Leader* published that: *Messrs. Snooks and Jones, have built to order for the St.*



Brought to you by Judy Ormond & Lyn Franklin on behalf of the Nathalia & District Historical Society.

*Arnaud Fire Brigade, a bell tower, similar to the one in use by the local brigade. The frame work is of iron, weight about 16 cwt., and cost about £20. The structure has been consigned to its destination, and the firm has three more orders to execute for brigades in different parts of the State.*

### A PROBLEM WITH THE BELL

*On Tuesday last at 2 a.m. the fire bell rang out an alarm, and Captain H. M. Muntz and some of his men were soon at the fire brigade station, printed the Numurkah Leader, 14 October 1904. The Nathalia fire brigade can boast of one of the finest towers in a country district, but although the bell is of large size, weighing upwards of 3 cwt., the sound is not what would be expected from a bell of its proportion. The contention has been raised that it is not hung properly, and if that be so, the defect ought to be at once remedied, for on Tuesday last, very few townspeople heard the alarm. Four days later, the Nathalia Herald, 18 October 1904, also reported on the "FIRE ALARM".*

*On Tuesday morning about two o'clock an alarm of fire was raised in Nathalia and the fire bell rung out. The alarm was not very loud, as either the man at the bell-pull or the bell itself was out of tune, because few heard it, and the firemen, for the most part, slept peacefully through the whole affair. The cause of the disturbance was the destruction of an abandoned Chinese residence across the creek from the show ground. No one seems to have any idea how the place got on fire.*

*...to be continued...*

**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.

## Community Bank Nathalia and Numurkah

2023 Grants Program – what you need to know!!  
\$100,000 available in funding

The upcoming Nathalia and Numurkah Community Grants Program will open for all Nathalia and Numurkah & district community groups from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 and close Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2023 (refer to coloured advertisement).

Both Nathalia and Numurkah Community Grants Programs are administered by Community Enterprise Foundation and made possible by the Community Banks of Nathalia and Numurkah.

**All groups (2 people per group) who are intending to apply for funding must attend the Nathalia or Numurkah Grant Program Information Session to gain vital information on the application process.**

The Community Grants Program will support programs and projects in the area. Charitable and Not-for-profit organisations can apply for projects and activities that offer clear public benefit for the community, contributing to its development in building social capital, community welfare, environmental, health, education or cultural areas.

**The Community Grants Program is designed to**

- Make better, targeted use of funds that are responsive to community needs.
- Support projects that make a positive contribution to Nathalia and Numurkah and Districts.

**Numurkah Grant Program Information Session – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023 - RSVP Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

**Nathalia Grant Program Information Session – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023 – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

(See advertisements for venues and times)

To register your group please email Tracey Mark – [secretary@nvf.net.au](mailto:secretary@nvf.net.au) or phone 0408662129





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# Nathalia Show update



It is only 3 months until Nathalia Show on Saturday 7th October!!!

The time has sure flown by. We are working really hard to get the schedule completed and on the website/printed ASAP.

Please watch our Facebook page (Nathalia Agricultural Society) for updates.

We are also ordering embroidered Show shirts this year for stewards and helpers to wear on show day - if anyone would like one please get in touch! Order going in on the 20th.

Applications for Tradespace are also open now.

LEGO is making its return to this year's Show after a huge success last year!

Theme for U18 classes is '100 years of Disney'.

Open theme for the Adult Fan of LEGO (AFOL) and schools section.



LEGO display from last year's show, - Photo Judy Ormond



We've added an official DUPLO section for the little kids, and there are fabulous LEGO sets and cash prizes to be won.

We got lots of questions about sets - original designs are preferred, but if you do use a set be sure to add some of your own creative flair!

LEGO will be set up inside the multipurpose rooms again this year, be sure to check it out or even better, get building!!!

See you at the SHOW.



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22 & 23 July

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# NCN HEALTH NATHALIA



## Pre and Post Natal Care through NCN Health

Did you know that NCN Health has a Community Midwife that works across Nathalia, Cobram and Numurkah communities. Pre and Post Natal care can be done close to home. In conjunction with your primary care doctor the NCN Health Community Midwife can facilitate all your pre and post-natal appointments close to home.

NCN Health Community Midwife Tania Bell said many new parents were not aware of the services available on their doorstep. "Using our services means that you do not have to travel to Wangaratta or Shepparton for all your antenatal appointments, with some standard appointments such as pre-natal check-ups, available locally. "While NCN Health does not have a birthing facility, this service means that you can maintain local care, close to home and have the same midwife for your entire pregnancy journey. Some appointments can even be conducted in the comfort and privacy of your own home – even better with a newborn! Accessing services through the Community Midwife is free and referrals can be made through your GP or by calling the Access and Intake team in Cobram (03) 5871 0900 or Numurkah (03) 5862 0560.



## YARN-UPS at Cobram


Many Mobs Indigenous Corporation and NCN Health invite the community to join our Yarn-Ups.

*Our vision is to bring everyone together We want to share culture, knowledge, stories, traditions and connect individuals to relevant services.*


*We welcome anyone regardless of what mob you're from. Come along and have a cuppa with us and a yarn. The group is hosted by local indigenous peoples, for all people.*

NCN Health Cobram Training Room (via main entrance) 11am – 1pm.  
 Yarn-Ups held monthly, third Monday of the month:  
 Monday 19th June 2023  
 Monday 17th July 2023  
 Monday 21st August 2023  
 Monday 18th September 2023  
 Monday 16th October 2023  
 Monday 20th November 2023

Need more information email: [Sheridan.davies@ncnhealth.org.au](mailto:Sheridan.davies@ncnhealth.org.au)  
 Or phone; Aunty Iris Troutman 0477 528 246



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# Rotary Report

## As promised...

Here is a run down on our Changeover that took place on June 28<sup>th</sup> at the Nathalia Bowling Club. Notes were taken, photos too, and these were passed on to me so that I could write a report for our Rotary Bulletin as well as the Rotary News column here.

There were close to forty people in attendance and Roving Roast catered the meals, with bowling club member, Faye Hutchins, running the bar, Special guests were the new District Governor, Neta Kirby, Assistant Governor, Lorraine Greenwood and MP Wendy Lovell.

There were a few speeches and some surprise presentations also. The DG, from Tatura Rotary Club, spoke a little about herself and even told the audience that she rides a 3-wheeler motorbike. Each District Governor has a pet project to which clubs in District 9790 contribute. "Life's Little Treasures" helping sick children is Neta's project and we will hear more about it when she visits our club during her term in office.

MP Wendy Lovell's theme was Rotary and her involvement. Her father had been a Rotarian, Wendy was a member of Rotaract (Rotaract is a global organisation that empowers students and young professionals to create positive and lasting change in themselves, their local community and around the world) some years ago and is now an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Shepparton. Wendy also praised our club on all its achievements.

The Ross Smith Community Service Award was presented to a very surprised Leanne Pell, by Ross, after

Anthony had read out Leanne's community service history; MP Wendy presented the flowers.

Another presentation was in the form of a cheque; this was presented, by President Loula, to James Stirling to help with his daughter's studies at the Fruit Fly Circus at Albury and this was in answer to a donation request from Anita and James a few months back.



L-R: Ross Smith, Wendy Lovell, Leanne Pell & Anthony Oliver.

Incoming treasurer, Anthony Oliver, got a surprise too when he was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow certificate and pin... a great honour to receive Rotary's highest award (more on this another time). DG Neta made the presentation.

She also "re-inducted" President Loula for a second term in office. The evening finished soon after this and I was told that it was an enjoyable evening and all went well.

The Attwoods would much rather have been in attendance than being "in the big smoke" (for medical reasons), then driving in the rain in peak hour city traffic and home eventually at 8.42 p.m.! For quite some time now we've had no guests at the Heart House

at Barmah. H2H president, John Attwood, received a phone call in the afternoon, on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> asking if people could arrive that evening for a few nights. He said after 7 would be fine and he and little old me made our way across to the respite house to check everything out, turn the fridge on, etc. We then rewarded ourselves with a delicious seniors' dinner at the Barmah pub. Speaking of hotels, our first meeting for the new Rotary year was held at Picola on July 12<sup>th</sup>. The next Rotary News column will have some words written about this first meeting.



President Loula Oliver being inducted for her second term by District Governor Neta Kirby.



Guest speaker Wendy Lovell.



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# Nathalia Primary School News



## DIVERSITY DASH

On the last Thursday of Term 2 our Junior School Council conducted a Colour Run to celebrate the diversity in our school, and, the wider community. The councillors organised the multi-colour run, roped in parents and teachers to help spread the colour, and helped everyone who was involved to have a wonderful time. The colours helped represent and celebrate the diversity in the world we live in, while integrating key messages around diversity and promoting the inclusion and engagement of all no matter their background, gender or ability. While the sun might not have been shining, the smiles on the student's faces were.



## 2024 ENROLMENTS OPEN

Enrolments for 2024 classes are now open for all year levels. If you have a student starting school, or are moving to the area in 2024, please do not hesitate to call the school on 58662677 to book a time to tour our school and see what educational programs we have to offer your children.

## Panel Member Welcomed to Moira Shire

The Moira Shire Council Chair of the Panel of Administrators, John Tanner AM, has welcomed Dr Graeme Emonson PSM in joining the Panel when he took up his appointment on 5 July.

Other panel member Suzanna Sheed took up her appointment on 8 June when the Panel was announced by the Minister for Local Government, Melissa Horne.

Mr. Tanner said he was honoured to be joined by such distinguished and experienced leaders on the Panel.

"They will help provide the Shire with the experience, confidence and trust people are seeking from the Council," he said.

"I am delighted to see the depth of their understanding and experience in the needs of rural and regional communities. Their strategic insights and experience will be of great importance to the work of the Council and the community as a whole.

Dr. Emonson has previously served as a Chief Executive Officer across rural, regional and large metropolitan councils spanning 28 years, as well as serving as a senior executive in the state government.

He brings extensive leadership and organisational culture experience to the Panel, along with his extensive experience in public administration and a background in government.

He is a Fellow and Board Member of the Institute of Public Administration Australia (IPAA), a former Executive Director of Local Government Victoria, and was CEO of the City of Wangaratta for five years to 2002 and CEO of Knox City Council from 2002 to 2016.



## Insects

Find and circle all of the insects that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell an additional insect.

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# The G.R.A.I.N. Store Presents:



**William Kelly's Big Picture, Can Art Stop a Bullet?** Screening and Tribute  
Saturday 5 August 5.30pm Uniting Church Hall

The G.R.A.I.N. Board is inviting the whole town and district to this special event:  
A Film screening of the documentary **William Kelly's Big Picture, Can Art Stop a Bullet?**

Accompanying the film are a number of tributes to Bill, including three songs from the Nathalia and District Community Choir.

For more than twenty years Bill and Veronica Kelly have been living and working in Nathalia, contributing to and loving our community. For more than thirteen of those years Bill and Veronica worked with other Nathalia-ites to create and develop The G.R.A.I.N. Store: a gallery, workshop and performance space right in the centre of our town: a deliberate model for other communities and towns to adopt.

The screening of the film at the Uniting Church Hall: the food and drinks we will be sharing are all a part of us learning and appreciating more about each other as well as about Bill and Veronica Kelly.

With peace strongly in mind, the day before the 78<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the documentary takes us to Ireland and Hiroshima and New York. It is about art and artists and it is about them working for peace. It is about an amazing art work Bill made for exhibiting at The State Library; and it is a wonderful overview of 20<sup>th</sup> Century world history: a world many of us have lived.

Doors open at 5.30 with food and drinks included in the \$20 General admission price.

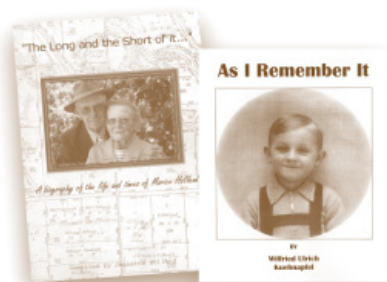


Brief tributes to Bill are made at the beginning of the evening then screening with intermission for mingling and drinks; Choir and brief tributes to Bill before the second half of the screening. Final song and tributes with the evening finishing by 9.30. Families with children are welcome.

Hugh Drum from Shepparton who did the wonderful sound and memorial screening of faces on the Water Tower last August, is providing a very large screen and excellent sound. Tickets \$20 available from The G.R.A.I.N. Store or <https://www.trybooking.com/CIWVC>

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## Broken Creek Drama

### NO REASON TO CRY.

Following instructions received by phone, Darren stopped to buy milk. He unstrapped Josie from her car seat and took her with him into the shop. She was unhappy about having to stop listening to the Wiggles, but there was no way he could leave her in the car. In a matter of minutes, he returned with Josie on his hip and two litres of milk in hand. He placed the milk on the top of the car roof while he struggled with the car-seat's straps. Then he headed home.

He had crossed the town bridge when an approaching car flashed their lights. **On no! The milk!** He hit the brakes.

The milk tumbled onto the bonnet and of course, the lid gave way. Josie was left in the car while he retrieved the empty bottle. As the Wiggles kept singing, he made a U-turn.



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# Loch Garry Reference Committee holds final meeting

The Loch Garry Reference Committee held its fifth and final meeting on Friday 23 June 2023 with the committee endorsing the recommendation of a revised set of operating rules for the Loch Garry Flood Protection District.

The committee was formed in January 2023, to review the service requirements of the Loch Garry Flood Protection District infrastructure and its operating rules.

In recent meetings, the committee has worked on creating and refining a set of revised operating rules to recommend to the Goulburn-Murray Water (GMW) Board.

Loch Garry Reference Committee member Colin Gilby said he was pleased with the outcome the committee had reached.

“Everyone on the committee worked together with the community’s best interests in mind,” he said.

“The revised operating rules that we have endorsed will ensure the regulator can be operated differently depending on the nature of the flood, enabling the rules to be effectively applied in different scenarios.”

GMW Water Delivery Services general manager Warren Blyth thanked the committee for their dedication.

“We’re grateful for the time and effort that all the members of the Loch Garry Reference Committee have invested into this review process,” he said.

“The committee has had to absorb a lot of complex information and make some challenging decisions, but all the members approached the task with open minds and with a great deal of professionalism.”

The revised operating rules the committee has recommended can be viewed on GMW’s

YourSay website:

<https://yoursay.gmwater.com.au>

Loch Garry Flood Protection customers have been notified the rules are available for viewing via text and mail.

The operating rules will be presented to the GMW Board for approval in August 2023.

**The Terms of Reference for the Loch Garry Reference Committee state that the role of the committee is to:**

1. Confirm the service requirements of the Loch Garry Flood Protection District.
2. Define the levels of service to be provided based on the current infrastructure.
3. Assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of the existing infrastructure at Loch Garry and the impact of any potential change to infrastructure.
4. Review and recommend improvements to the Operating Rules.
5. Engage with local Landholders and other interested parties regarding the improvement opportunities and recommendations regarding the Loch Garry Operating Rules.
6. Consider costs and pricing impacts of any recommendations relating to changes to the existing asset management practices and/or the type of infrastructure at Loch Garry.

The Committee first met on 13 February 2023, to discuss the terms of reference and identify the key topics for discussion and exploration. As



at 12 June 2023, the Committee had four meetings. The following recommendations have been prepared by the Chair of the Committee, Cath Botta. An initial draft of recommendations was discussed by the Committee at Meeting 4 on 23 May 2023, and then revised based on Committee discussion and feedback. The final version of the recommendations were discussed and endorsed by the committee at Meeting 5 held on 23 June 2023.

**For Role 1 and 2: Confirm the service requirements of the Loch Garry Flood Protection District; Define the levels of service to be provided based on the current infrastructure.**

- Key Service requirements and levels of service expected from the regulator are: quick, safe, reliable and flexible operation for flood protection.
- The Committee confirmed the current service levels provided by the Loch suit the needs of customers of the Loch Garry Flood Protection most of the time.
- The Committee supported the formation of a “Future Services Strategy Group” to consider future services and infrastructure requirements in more detail. Members from this Committee are encouraged to nominate for appointment to this new group.
- The Committee commented that the “Future Services Strategy Group” will need to be well resourced and supported by GMW.
- GMW will also consider minimum standards of maintenance of the levee banks which will include consideration of the removal of trees/shrubs growing in the levee banks.

**For Role 3: Assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of the existing infrastructure at Loch Garry and the impact of any potential change to infrastructure.**

- The Committee was advised that the expected lifespan of the Loch is 100 years and there is approx. 15-20 years life left of Loch Garry. A range of future options need to be fully explored as part of the development of the Future Services Strategy.
- The hydraulic capacity of the regulator; changes to the flow regime; and the capacity of levee banks need to be more fully understood and considered in combination to assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of the existing infrastructure.
- The impacts of increased flood protection upstream of the Loch, and climate change, needs to be more fully understood and considered to assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of the existing infrastructure.
- As part of the Future Services Strategy, consideration should also be given to the

effectiveness of the current bar operating system for quick, safe and reliable operation of the Loch.

**For Role 4: Review and recommend improvements to the Operating Rules.**

- In summary, the Committee recommend the following additions to the operating rules:
  - When the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) predicts a flood event above 11m at the Shepparton gauge, GMW will send out SMS notification to the customers of the Loch Garry Flood Protection district that all bars will be removed once the flood level reaches 10.36m at the Shepparton gauge on the Goulburn River.
  - When the BoM (Bureau of Meteorology) predicts the Shepparton Gauge will exceed 10.36m but not 11.0m, GMW will send out SMS notification to the customers of the Loch Garry Flood Protection District that all bars will start to be removed 24 hours after the Shepparton Gauge reaches 10.36m on the Goulburn River.

- The Committee noted that customers need to opt-in to the SMS service to receive these notifications from GMW. Each customer needs to ensure the most appropriate and updated contact information for each property is entered into the GMW database.

**For Role 5: Engage with local Landholders and other interested parties regarding the improvement opportunities and recommendations regarding the Loch Garry Operating Rules.**

- GMW will develop a media release and a fact sheet to highlight the recommendations from the Committee. Members are encouraged to discuss the recommendations with their communities.
- GMW will request a meeting with the Loch Garry Flood Protection District customers to discuss the changes to the operating rules and proposed engagement with customers.
- The Committee suggests that any engagement with customers’ needs to include a reminder that customers need to opt-in to the SMS notification service to receive notifications from GMW.

**For Role 6: Consider costs and pricing impacts of any recommendations relating to changes to the existing asset management practices and/or the type of infrastructure at Loch Garry.**

- Members support the draft funding model presented to the Committee. Namely, DEECA have committed \$750K, consisting of \$500K for repairs and \$250K for development of the Future Services Strategy. The estimated cost of repair works of \$950K would be funded by DEECA (\$500K) and an increase in rate payer’s fees spread over an 80-year period. This equates to an annual increase of 10% on the rates to cover the costs of repairs.
- Members requested repairs to Levee Banks be carried out in the most efficient and cost-effective method available.
- GMW need to consider the broader benefit of the Loch to other communities and how the costs and benefits can be recognised and shared with the broader beneficiaries. This needs to be reflected in the “Future Services Strategy”.

# Year 9 Rubicon Outdoor Camp



An adventure was in store when our Year 9s, alongside Mr Charleston, Ms Lourey and Paul, packed up and travelled to Rubicon Outdoor Camp. With a host of fearless activities on offer, our students enjoyed getting out in the great outdoors. The first day we were introduced to spear carving by the knowledgeable Kelto, who shared his understanding of the landscape and waterways with our students. A crazy game of sardines in the dark and rain was then played - (not sure why some of the boys got covered in mud, and Tyler L accidentally fell in a hole, but that's how it is!)



lucky enough to see a platypus (Max with the eagle-eye!) We arrived back wet and tired for a delicious noodle stir fry on the barbie, enjoyed by everyone.

The torrential rain put an end to our plans for a second day's rafting - but Josh P was the happiest student on earth when we got to go mountain biking instead. So many took on the amazing challenge of getting up and down the hills to the Marysville waterfall, and what a spectacular sight! 'It was all worth it in the end,' said Bailey. Wyatt was also happy with the day until he accidentally threw his shoe in the river, aiming at a bird. Mr Charleston tried in vain to rescue it but we lost it to the waterways.

After a final morning's spear carvings, we said our goodbyes to a fantastic week in the great outdoors. Clear air, good rain, green trees and a brilliant time for everyone, but we were all happy to get back home.

The next morning, we clambered up some rocks to see the beautiful sights of Mt Sugarloaf in the mist. Everyone was very daring in their climbing! In the afternoon, trout fishing was next on the cards, and a gutsy Matty B was able to help Ms Lourey's fish meet its maker. Well done to Tyler M for his persistence in the Challenge Pond, and well done to Bailey who captured the only salmon of the day. Our evening of fish cooking by the fire did not go exactly to plan, but that was soon fixed by a few hot cups of Milo.

Up early Wednesday morning for our intrepid rafting experience - and what an experience it was in the rain! Some brilliant teamwork from so many as we navigated our way through the rapids and some were even



Huge thanks to Kelto, Pagey, Bronwyn and Donna from Rubicon who looked after us all week. And a big thank you to Mr Charleston and his fantastic organisation, and Paul for driving the bus!





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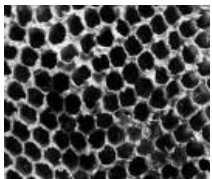
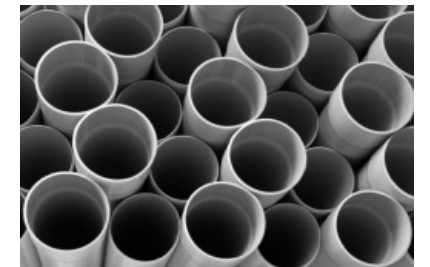
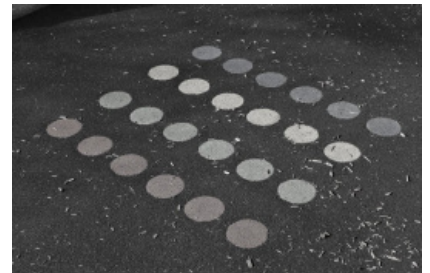
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# U3A Photography Group Circles & Arches

Members of the photography group searched and located images around Nathalia.

The theme for July was "Circles and Arches", Camera settings were turned to black and white, so as to capture a more defined image.

Afterwards we met at Brereton's Bakery where we enjoyed a coffee and chat.



# Picola Utd 2023 Annual Ball



Red Gum Courier, Friday July 14th, 2023

Last Saturday, the 8th of July saw a great crowd turn out for the Picola United FNC Annual Club Ball back at the Picola Hall. Tiamo Twin Flame Pizza provided delicious wood

fired pizza and "Mr Anderson" rocked the night away. It was fantastic to have the opportunity to bring the ball back to Picola.



Clinton Barnes (President), James Lindsay, Tom Byrnes, Charlie McKenzie and Chris Nolan.



C Reserve netballers - Bridie Tremellen, Natasha Morgan, Jessica Daniel, Teagan Gordan (Coach), Megan Hansen and Lee Elliott.



C Grade netballers - Kloe O'Keefe, Courtney Cunningham, Anna Brooks, Amy Pamela and Natalia Hobbs (Coach)



Zoe and Jared McNair, Michael Walker and Liam Bourke.



A & B Grade netballers (L-R) Maree Holyman, Margot Craig, Laura Byrnes-Smith, Alyx Jorgensen, Clare Greaves, Emma Bourke and Emma Mallick



Ashley Weldon, Darby Walsh, Clancy Congues and Liam Evans.

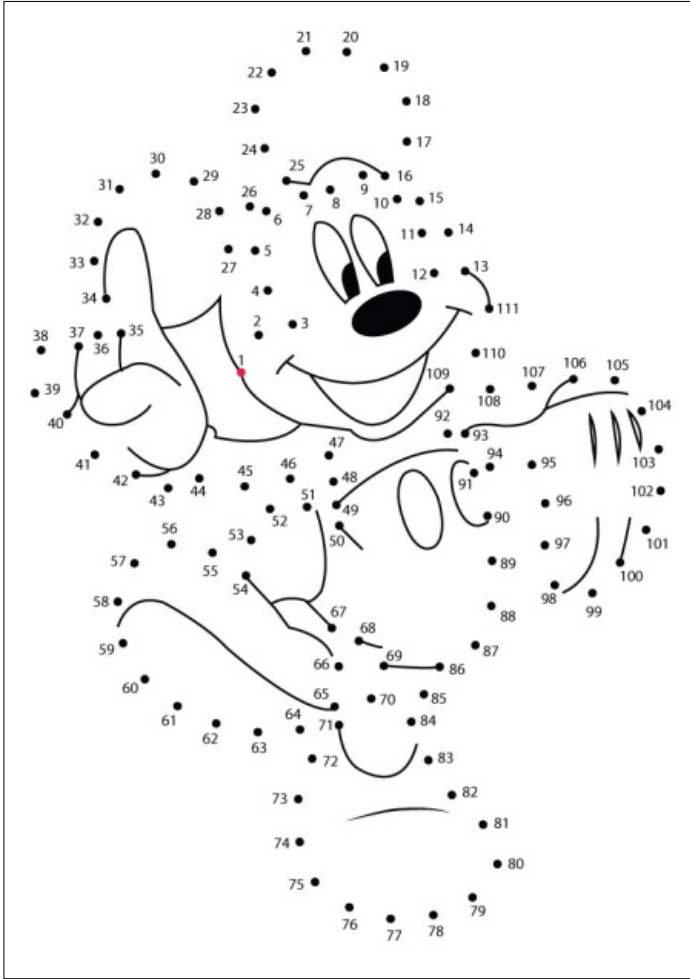


Natalie Hobbs, Jai Smith, Kloe O'Keefe and Xavier Daniel.

Pictured right (L-R):  
Charlotte Thorp,  
Bethany Lindsay,  
Jemma Patullo,  
Thomas Lindsay,  
Mitchell Thorp,  
Ryan Thorp,  
Eliza Brooks,  
Jessica Daniel and  
Anna Brooks.

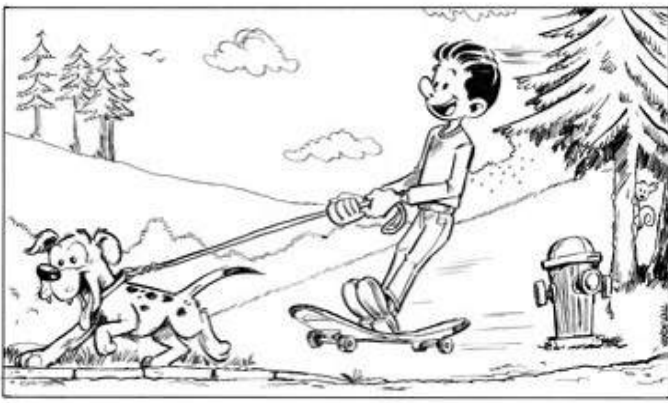
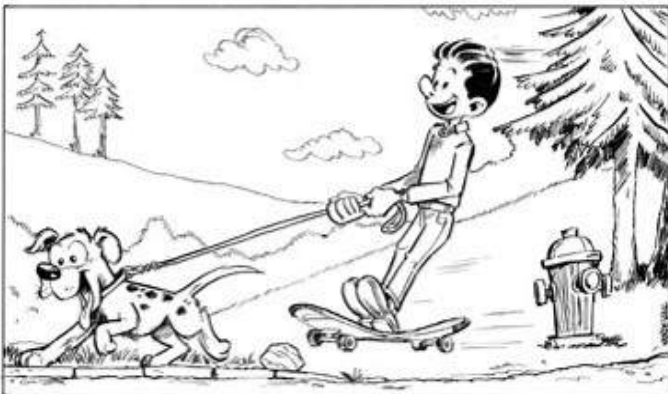


# Kid's Section



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# CLASSIFIEDS

## DEATHS

### RENDELL (Hanlon), Margaret 'June'

26. 06. 1932 - 29. 06. 2023  
Late of Yielima. Passed away peacefully after a short illness at Shepparton Private Hospital.

Our loving wife, Mum, Grandma and Great Grandma. Dearly loved by her husband Lisle (dec); her children and their partners, and her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

*Much Loved and Cherished*

June's Graveside Service was held at the Nathalia Lawn Cemetery on Tuesday 11th July, 2023.

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### RENDELL, June

Loved sister and sister-in-law of Iris and Syd Limbrick (both dec).

A very special Auntie of Lynette, Maxine, Wendy, Rosemary and families.

*You will always hold a special place in our hearts.*

### WATSON (Edwards), Annie Margaret "Nancy"

19.6.1924 - 8.7.2023  
Formerly of Nathalia.

Passed away peacefully at Yarrowonga.

Beloved wife of Ian Cecil Charles Watson (dec).

Dearly loved mother of Warren, Bill, Marion and Ray.

Loving Nan to her 7 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren.

*Rest in Peace*  
*Reunited with Dad*  
*- it's been a long time*

### RENDELL, June

Thanks for all the fond memories of Sundays at Grandma's and all the good times we shared.

*Rest in Peace.*

~ Elwyn, Grant (dec), James, Matt, Emma, Hannah and families.



### Kathleen Gladys (Kay/Gay/Glad) Schapper born O'Donnell

30.11.1927 to 02.07.2023



Of Curlwaa NSW, Kew, Doncaster, Korumburra, Campbells Creek, Scarborough WA, Derrinallum, Morwell, Richmond, Albert Park, Barwon Heads, Nathalia.

Outstanding teacher and much loved daughter of John Thomas O'Donnell (dec) and Muriel Gladys (née) Wescombe (dec); mother of Philippa, Jan (dec) and Mink; mother-in-law to Ian, James, Robert and formerly to Vic, grandmother of Gavin, Joe, Henry and Alexander and great-grandmother of Rain, Miro and Ezra, and much admired and loved colleague and friend to so many.

Died suddenly at Banawah, Nathalia in "I can't imagine a better place"  
Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023.  
*"She brought out the strength in us."*



A wonderful service was held at The G.R.A.I.N. Store, Nathalia with Sessions Funerals and MC Cameron Lancaster followed by Brereton's Bakery light refreshments, 11am Friday 7 July. Anne Timm, Kym Bell, Cheryl Thorn, Heather Henderson, Ania Wiltshire, Bronwyn Ryan, Madeleine Jane, Banawah staff and residents, Dr Carolyn Nelson, Dr Arup Bhattacharya, Kay herself and Nathalia in general continued to ensure that Kay's life had magic moments to the end.





# CLASSIFIEDS

## FUNERALS

**WATSON (Edwards) -**  
 A Graveside Service to Celebrate the life of Mrs. Annie Margaret "Nancy" Watson will be held at the Nathalia Lawn Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Nathalia on FRIDAY 21st July, 2023 commencing at 1.30pm.

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*Peacefully Resting.*  
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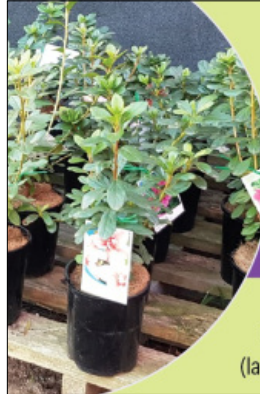
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# Purps Net Set Go Presentation Night



Nathalia Net Set Go Squad with coaches Millie Maskell, Emily Woods and Elliot Binks.

Congratulations to all the 2023 Nathalia Net Set Go participants on a successful series. It has been a pleasure for the club to watch all the netball skills grow. Many thanks to all the parents for encouraging your kids to experience just how awesome netball is. Massive shout out to our NetSetGo coordinator Caitlin Bourke for her tireless behind the scenes work and to Emily Woods, Elliott Binks and Millie Maskell for their weekly coaching. The Purps future looks good!

## Nathalia Youth Girls & Womens Football Report



**W**omen's: Nathalia 0.0.0 def by Echuca 11.12.78

We prepared ourselves for a tough game against the top side, despite the end score, we played well. We were down a couple of players, but the girls that were here, did their job. There were plenty of contests in the game, it's just unfortunate that Echuca are so well gelled and fit. The backs worked tirelessly all day, the score board unfortunately didn't show their efforts. It was a tough game for all but now it's time to buckle down and prepare for this years finals series. We prepare ourselves now for a tough game against Shepp United in the first round of finals. **Awards:** Rex James Stockfeed BOG: Keely Reid, Gagliardi & Scott: Elliot Binks, CWA: Ruby McIver, Stuart Bell: Claudia Moore, Barmah Hotel: Kay Cornell, Casual Step: Rahni Garner.

**Youth Girls: Nathalia 1.2.8 def by Moama 13.15.93**

**Goals:** B. Nave. Absolutely terrific start to the game! First clearance and inside 50! We definitely rattled the opposition! A great effort by all on the field! With low numbers, the girls ran out a full game with no break and did super well against a very skilful team! Ruby McIver shined in the backline against her opponent. Molly Sheahan stepped up and started in the ruck each quarter and did a fabulous job! Alana Sutton ran in the midfield most of the day and delivered the ball down the ground to our forwards. Bella Nave kicked our goal for the day and had a great game! We are so proud of the improvement we have seen this season and look forward to what season 2024 brings us! **Awards:** Barmah Hotel: Ruby McIver, CWA: Molly Sheahan, Sportfirst Numurkah: Sarah Stone,

Broken Creek Podiatry: Alana Sutton, TJ's IGA: Tayah Lundberg, Sportfirst Numurkah: Ariella Vallender, TJ's IGA: Bella Nave.



Nathalia Youth girls action - (L-R) Elliot Binks, Sienna Jorgensen & Molly Sheahan.

## Picola & District Junior Interleague 2023



Waaia U17's - Aiden Bryant, Tom Daniel and AJ Brooks.



Oscar Buckland Waaia U14's

Congratulations to local talents Tom Daniel, AJ Brooks, Aiden Bryant and Oscar Buckland from Waaia FNC and Logan Daniel and Matthew Jorgensen from Picola United FNC on representing their clubs proudly in Melbourne on Sunday 2nd July, for the 2023 Interleague. It was a tough day on the track, although the lads came out firing with the thirds going down by a tight 6 points against Mornington. Picola 7.14.56 v Mornington 10.2.62. Well done to Waaia's Oscar Buckland in being named second best in the Under 14's competition. Shoutout to Waaia's Matt Brown and Jesse Trower for coaching the PDFNL Under 17's side this year. Waaia photos courtesy ~ Janet Brooks



PDFNL Under 17's representative team - with coaches (left) Matt Brown (right) Jesse Trower.



Picola United U17's - Logan Daniel and Matthew Jorgensen.



# Picola United 'Sock it to Cancer'



Picola United Football Netball Club once again took part in Terry's Socks it to Cancer for 2023. Last Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> of July saw the senior footballers and netballers wear yellow socks in their matches against Yarroweyah to help raise awareness and funds for the Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre.

*Pictured left is Terry's two daughters, A Grade Captain Emma Greaves & A Grade Coach Clare Greaves with two of Picola United's senior footballers, Connor Langley & Jason Beckett proudly wearing Terry Socks it to Cancer Yellow Socks ahead of the big games on Saturday.*

*Pictured below: Picola United senior netballers with Terry Greaves.*



## Nathalia Indoor Bowls Report

**Thursday 29th June:** Nathalia played Numurkah Town at Nathalia in Indoor Bias Bowls pennant winning on both mats gaining 10 points.

Bev Hutchins(s), Berris Baldwin and John Gillard defeated Paul Rees(s), Anne Milkins and Helen Brache 40 shots to 14 shots.

Fay Hutchins(s), Ian Bolton and Julie Olsen defeated Jenny O'Connor(s), Neil Barnes and Robin Brache 26 shots to 13 shots.

**Monday night 3<sup>rd</sup> July** the Champion of Champions will continue with the Semi Finals and Grand Final being played at the Numurkah's Seniors hub. The association fours will be played at Waaia on Monday 10th July at 7.30pm

Champion of Champions Men's winner was Ian Swain from Waaia. Ladies winner was Dawn Carey also from Waaia. Congratulations to both winners

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July:** Nathalia played Barooga at Cobram in Indoor Bias Bowls pennant winning on one mat and drawing on the other mat gaining 9 points.

Bev Hutchins(s), Berris Baldwin and Ashley Hutchins defeated Tom Kapen(s) Jill Toohey and Sue Goodwin 35 shots to 16 shots.

Fay Hutchins(s), John Gillard and Julie Olsen drew with John Dijis(s), Rosemary Travena and Aaron Wallace 21 shots all.

**Ladder as at 6<sup>th</sup> July:** Waaia 82, Seniors Green 54, Nathalia 53 Strathmerton 50, Num Town 44, Barooga 30, Seniors Blue 17.

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July:** The Association fours were played at Waaia. The winners were a team from Waaia consisting of Ian Swain(s), Les Clarke, Geoff Coates and Maureen Coates. Runners up were Tom Haynes(s), Shirley Clarke, Rodney Clarke and Heather McCoy from Strathmerton. Well done to all who took part.

## In the Swing at Nathalia Golf Club



**Wednesday, the 28th of June** - no results due to wet conditions.

**Friday fun day, the 30th of June** - nine players played Ambrose, winners Ryan Peter and Barrie.

**Sunday, the 2nd of July** - six men played stroke, winner Tony Brown with net 75. NTP Gary Manley. Happy birthday Gary for the 4th of July.

**Wednesday, the 5th of July** - four men went for a hit. After golf the ladies. Heather, Dawn, Nina, Lynette, Kim and Sonia put on a party for Stan's 70th birthday. A wonderful day, which was much appreciated.

Well done ladies. The pavlova cake that Heather made was the best ever.

**Friday fun day the 7th of July** - seven players played Ambrose. It was also great to see nine other players having a hit on a great day for golf. Well done everyone.



*Heather's magnificent Pavlova to celebrate Stan Verlinden's 70th birthday.*

**Sunday the 9th of July** - eight men played stableford. On a very cold and windy day. Winner John Drenen 34 stableford points, R/UP Tony Brown 31 points. NTP Gary Manley.

Hopefully the weather picks up soon and good hitting to all.

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# Junior Netball Reports Round 14

## PICOLA UNITED JUNIOR NETBALL

**Minis:** Tough and cold conditions, but the girls adapted well for a competitive game against Yarroweyah. The coach was very happy with how the girls played and took on all the feedback given. Great game. **Awards:** Coaches award: Catherine McKenner, Barmah Social Club: Heidi Caldwell, Intersport Echuca: Sophia McPherson.

**13 & Under : Picola: 21 def by Yarroweyah: 11**  
Well done girls on another great game. You worked beautifully as a team and every combination worked well together. Thanks again to our minis for stepping up to fill in. **Awards:** Baxter family medallion: Addy McLean, Barmah Social Club: Kirra Elliot, PUFNC canteen voucher: Taneesha Atkinson.

**15 & Under: Picola: 25 vs Yarroweyah: 12**  
Great win girls! We moved the ball incredibly well down our attacking end. The way we worked it into the ring was beautiful to watch and as always, great defence! **Awards:** Brereton's Bakery: Charli Ryan, Power Livestock: Amy Caldwell, Intersport Echuca: Willow Davidson.

**17 & Under: Picola: 32 vs Yarroweyah: 26**  
The girls played a great team game and really gelled. Some great plays and turn overs throughout the game. Unfortunately, after a close game for the first 3 quarters the girls missed some opportunities in the final quarter. Overall a great game. **Awards:** Barnett family award: Georgia Barnett, Brereton's Bakery: Milla Teasdale, Intersport Echuca: Stella Bowman.



*Congratulations to Indianna McCabe Jackson on her 50th game for Picola United against Yarroweyah in round 14.*

## WAAIA JUNIOR NETBALL

**Under 11's:** It was a tough game, Tungamah were a tall and strong team. The defenders worked well, hands over every ball and getting the rebounds. It was difficult to come back after having 3 weeks off and not having many at training during this time, it definitely showed on the court. We've got lots of work to do at training and I look forward to putting it into play. Abby Daniel put all her effort into re leading and using her voice, calling for the ball every time. Makayla James had the confidence she needed to get the ball and pass it to another player. **Awards:** Cash: Makayla James, Canteen: Abby Daniel.



*Waaia's Shaylee Dietrich in 17's against Tungmah, with a great game earning her BOC.*

**Under 13's : Waaia 4 def by Tungamah 26**  
The girls came up against a formidable and well-tuned side in Tungamah. The girls took a little bit to get back into things but whilst the score board didn't look great in the end, I feel it did not reflect truly on the game played.

Pippa Stammers, Macie Gilmour and Hadassah Hibma all worked hard in the ring, getting multiple opportunities and continuing to give options, but the ball would not drop in our favour circling the ring repeatedly but just dropping out. They showed great tenacity in taking multiple rebounds which was great to see and did not give up all day.

Our mid court girls Stefanie Daniel, Myla Stuart, Das, Macie and our debut back up in Billie Harris worked hard all day, pushing for the centre pass and constantly attacking and adapting to defence as required. Multiple intercepts were taken across the court we were just not able to convert once we got it to the ring. Billie did well saving a number of balls and taking a couple of great intercepts and we thank her for stepping up this week. Jamieson Shelton & Ivy O'Dwyer were kept extremely busy and did a fantastic job all day, fighting for multiple rebounds, taking many intercepts and keeping the opposition working hard for every goal.

Whilst it may not have been the result we were looking for the girls can hold their heads high on a persistent 4 quarters played.

**Awards:** Sportfirst: Jamieson Shelton, Canteen: Pippa Stammers

**Under 15's: Waaia 17 def by Tungamah 18**  
The Waaia Bombers were excited to hit the court again after the break. For the first three quarters the girls worked hard as a team giving them a 4 goal lead going into the final quarter. Unfortunately Tungamah came out firing, and the girls were unable to hold on, losing by one goal. Katie Halden proved once again to be dominant in the ring, her three feet becoming a massive issue for the Tungamah shooters. Georgia Plattfuss was great in the goal ring, coming out when needed, and getting many rebounds.

**Awards:** Cash award: Katie Halden, Waaia canteen award: Georgia Plattfuss.

**Under 17's: Waaia 18 def Tungamah 13**  
With the most difficult conditions, the Waaia Bombers fought tirelessly to the very end, coming away with the 'W'. After 3 weeks off,

the girls found their feet and developed quarter by quarter. With the pep talk at half time, the girls changed their mentality to enjoying the game, smiling and getting behind their team mates, proving to be the secret recipe to a successful team! Shaylee Dietrich brought determination and grit to the game as she adapted her game and played brilliantly as she guided her team mates till the end. Sasha Daniel proved to be unstoppable in the ring, reading the play and stopping every chance her opponent had to get the ball. A special shout-out to our Under 15 friends as we truly could not have done it this week without them! **Awards:** Spark Cash award: Shaylee Dietrich, Canteen Award: Sasha Daniel.

## NATHALIA JUNIOR NETBALL

**17&U:** Nathalia 23 def by Moama 41  
Being short on players this week and the cold windy weather, didn't stop the girls giving this game their all. Defensive pressure was tight all the way down the court, with the attackers working hard to get the ball down our end. There were great passages of play and the girls should be proud of their efforts. **Awards:** Barmah Hotel: Bella Cavallaro, Sportfirst Numurkah: Ruby Sprunt, Bendigo Bank: Eliza Kopsidas

**15&U:** Nathalia 9 def by Moama 48  
A tough game against a very polished Moama side. The girls kept trying all game with some good defensive efforts and attacking plays. **Awards:** Broken Creek Physio & Pilates: Zahlia Kautai, Post Office: Sarah Stone, Al's Café: Payton Johns.

**13&U:** Nathalia 6 def by Moama 36  
In very unfavorable weather the girls played extremely well against a very polished and undefeated Moama team. **Awards:** Bendigo Bank: Sienna Vallender, Shepparton Marketplace Subway: Ava Boyd: TJ's IGA: Kiara Begley

**11&U:** The girls started the day really well, doing everything we worked on at training. The super cold weather and having three weeks off was a bit of a setback as getting good passes and strong hands to the ball was a challenge in the windy conditions. Much to work on at training but a good effort by the girls against such a strong side. **Awards:** Past Players: Matilda Sterling, Bendigo Bank: Jordy Rudd, TJ's IGA: Cassie Amery, Nathalia Community



*Nathalia's Matilda Stirling fights for possession against Moama centre player in U11's.*

# Picola United v Yarroweyah Round 14



Despite the freezing cold weather their was still a great crowd last Saturday for grandparents day as we took on Yarroweyah at home. A great day of footy and netball with mixed results and both clubs coming away with some good wins. We also enjoyed our club ball on the weekend, it was a terrific night thank you to Jacinda, Taylor and all those who helped make the night such a success. We are back on the road this weekend and look forward to a competitive days worth of games against the Berrigan Saints.

Congratulations to Jack Hutchins who made his seniors debut last weekend as sub against Yarroweyah. Go Blues!

~ President Clinton

**U14's: Picola 1.1-7 def by Yarroweyah 13.11-89**

Goals: M. Holyman. With several agronomist at the club, we worked all week on a new formulation to destroy the grasshoppers and keep them off our patch. Knapsacks on and arms pumping hard, we headed out to eradicate the pests. The blustery conditions however, favoured some of the biggest hoppers we've ever seen and as they took flight beginning to swarm, they proved impossible to contain. Kirky, Cooper and Ryan worked tirelessly through the midfield while Mitch gave his all down back. Lach battled hard all day and Ollies tagging roll saw him run so fast we think he may have lost a couple of demerit points. Heads up boys with school holidays coming to an end the reinforcements will be arriving.

**Awards:** Powerlivestock trophy B.O.G/Picola Hay Supplies: Daniel Kirk, Intersport Echuca: Cooper Wilson, Jay & Bec Caldwell: Mitch Daniel, Barmah Roadhouse voucher: Ollie Dargan, Barmah Social Club canteen voucher: Ryan Caldwell, B.D: Billy Baxter, Have-a-go football: Chris Gunn, Yambuna Fire Brigade: Lachie Moor.

**U17's: Picola 14.12-96 def Yarroweyah 5.4-34**

Goals: M. Jorgensen 3, B. Orton 3, Z. Boslem 2, L. Daniel 2, R. Caldwell 2, M. Daniel 2. The boys hit the ground running on the weekend, creating good opportunities up forward and brought home the win. In what was not easy conditions to play footy, with some brilliant acts of plays from the boys. We would like to give a big thanks again to the Under 14 kids who played up. With two of them hitting the score board and the

other always putting his head over the ball. We look forward to the task ahead in heading to Berrigan. **Awards:** Dove Motors Mug/Lubke Engineering: Jack Hutchins, Intersport Echuca: Ryan Caldwell, B & E Daniel voucher: Logan Daniel, Limbrick Accounting: Brandon Orton, Barmah Roadhouse voucher: Jai Carpinteri, Barmah Social Club canteen voucher: Matt Jorgensen, Have-a-go football: Mitch Daniel.

**Reserves: Picola 15.7-97 def Yarroweyah 2.7-19**

Goals: B. Power 5, L. Solar 5, C. Stevens 2, T. Halliday, C. Legge, M. Tanti. A windy day at Picola made for tricky conditions. The boys adjusted well and were able to hit to scoreboard consistently throughout the four quarters. Great to have club legend Scott Baxter pulling the boots back on. A few guys swapping over to play for Yarroweyah which was great to get a game organised. The usual guys amongst the best in Brad Power, Lee Solar, Austin Morgan, Clay Stevens and Charlie McKenzie as well as a great game from captain Mitch Hore. Another big game coming up, keep the winning momentum going. **Awards:** Fertgrain Mug/Yum Yum Bricklaying: Brad Power, Brereton's Bakery voucher: Lee Solar, Worklocker Echuca: Austin Morgan, Limbrick Accounting: Daniel Hatton, Barmah Roadhouse: Charlie McKenzie.

**Seniors: Picola 34.24-228 def Yarroweyah 6.2-38**

Goals: T. Beard 10, C. Haub 5, B. Jorgensen 3, D. Cunningham 2, M. Jorgensen 2, R. Woodland 2, M. Hore 2, C. Barnes, J. Beckett, B. Byrne, D. Maher, D. Maloney, B. Turpin, D. Walsh, T. Evans A really strong day in the football department saw a convincing win against Yarroweyah. With a troublesome breeze the whole day our accuracy was a little off early. Things certainly improved as the game progressed and we were able to utilise our team mates and the ground a lot better. Taylor Beard got his fair share with 10 goals and then went for an eleventh from full back. Cody Haub also kicked well with 5 goals.

More impressively was our spread of goal kickers with 15 for the match including goal of the day (and his first for the club) from the mug man, Darcy Maloney. Rochy also snuck forward and was able to kick a goal without colliding with a single goal post! Matt Jorgensen found himself in the right spots and ended up with 2 majors. Blake Jorgensen, Benny Turpin, Bari and Dyl were also in the better players. Chop was unstoppable all day and night.

**Awards:** DMH Mug & Barmah Hotel voucher: Blake Jorgensen, Brereton's Bakery Voucher: Ben Turpin, Limos Mitre 10: Cody Haub, Blake St Butchery: Taylor Beard, Barmah Roadhouse voucher: Zac McKenzie.

**C Reserve: Picola 47 def Yarroweyah 11**

Great team effort against Yarroweyah, all played really well. **Awards:** Birch Earthmoving: Teagan Gordon, Three Belles Cafe: Kelly Beckingham.

**C Grade: Picola 36 def by Yarroweyah 39**

What an amazing game. Everyone played their best game yet. The pressure over the whole court was amazing. Anna was amazing with her rebounding and Hollie applied so much pressure down in the defensive end. Still a few things to work on, but we are becoming a stronger side each week. **Awards:** Brereton's Bakery: Anna Brooks, 3 Black Sheep: Hollie Dietrich.

**B Grade: Picola 17 def by Yarroweyah 40**

Great first half, our score doesn't reflect our effort and work rate. Full team effort applying plenty of pressure. Unfortunately, the ball bounced off the ring more times than it went in. The defenders worked tirelessly, with amazing footwork!

**Awards:** Scrumdiddlymicious catering: Maree Holyman, Casual step: Marni Atkins.

**A Grade: Picola 31 def by Yarroweyah 45**

A tightly contested game for four quarters. The girls did a sensational job at their defensive pressure across the court. Our court flow played out beautifully when our leads were angled to the ball. We had some great ball delivery into our ring. Unfortunately Yarroweyah just got away from us in the end.

**Awards:** Three Black Sheep/Colour & Co: Holly McLean, Milking it Cafe: Tiah Hooppell.



Congratulations to Rory Knight on his 50th Senior game against Katamatite in round 13

## UPCOMING FOOTBALL & NETBALL GAMES



**Murray Football Netball League:**

Round 15: 15/7/23: Nathalia v Rumbalara (match played at Nathalia)  
Round 16: Sunday 23/7/23: Numurkah v Nathalia (match played at Numurkah)



**Picola & District Football Netball League:**

Round 15: 15/7/23: Strathmerton v Waaia (match played at Strathmerton)  
Round 15: 15/7/23: Berrigan v Picola United (match played at Berrigan)  
Round 16: 22/7/23: Waaia v Mathoura (match played at Waaia)  
Round 16: 22/7/23: Picola United v Deni Rovers (match played at Picola)



**MBCM Northern Country Women's League**

Women Preliminary Final: 16/7/23 Nathalia v Shepp United (Match played at Tatura @ 1.00pm)  
Women Grand Final: 23/7/23



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# Waaia v Tungamah Round 14



## Seniors: Waaia 13.10-88 def Tungamah 6.7-43

**Goals:** D. Moncur 4, C. Burrows 3, B. Coates, A. Holland, H. Walker, J. Trower, A. Brooks, A. Tricarico. A big top four contest at Tungamah last week in ordinary conditions for football. It was a hot contest from the start with both sides refusing to give an inch, resulting in a slow start on the scoreboard for both teams. A late goal gave the bomber boys the edge at the first break. Much the same in the second meaning a close and low scoring game at halftime. A third quarter blitz was just what the doctor ordered, with Jesse Trower and Ash Holland gaining the ascendancy in the middle. Brayden Summerville and Ky Johnston were really good down back as was the whole back six all day. A back and forth last quarter after the big third quarter meant the scoreboard stayed relatively in check all day. An awesome win with all players pitching in to do their role. Sam Richardson and Ash Thompson were also really good in the wet. Onto another massive game at Strathy this week. **Awards:** Rex James Stockfeed: Jesse

Trower, Bendigo Bank/Waaia Hotel: Sam Richardson, Gagliardi Scott Real Estate & Telegraph Hotel: Sam Trower, M O'Dwyer Most Determined: Harvey Walker, D Botterill Construction: Todd Davies, Tyndall Excavations: Mark Bergamin.

## Reserves: Waaia 8.9-57 def Tungamah 4.3-27

**Goals:** M. Meyland 4, S. Boyd, L. Henderson, R. Collins, N. Tyndall. The bombers headed across to Tungamah to the bear cage to what was our first game back after three weeks off. And the

signs were all there in the first half of the game that the lads were still on a break. After a half time evaluation of ourselves we went out and played like a team at war, showed true grit to walk away the win. Greg Kamahl Meyland slipped into the centre role and took the game by storm earning himself the GV Steel Supplies and Waaia Hotel steak sanga with the lot. Getting the ball on the half forward line Sam Boyd who played an absolute blinder of a game and never gave up once resulting in GrainCorp and Telegraph meal voucher on table 69 dinner for two. Up forward local stalwart Bobby Meyland walked away with another 4 goals to his name getting the Numurkah Truck Repairs. Aaron Shelton played a pivotal role down back and showed great enthusiasm in keeping the ball out of the oppositions forwards line earning himself the Trelleborg Wheel Systems. And last but not least, proving that two bananas before the game is an absolute must to succeed, Larry hairline Henderson took home the Sprunts Livestock award. **Awards:** GV Steel Supplies & Waaia Hotel: Greg Meyland, Graincorp/Telegraph Hotel: Sam Boyd, Numurkah Truck Repairs: Mark Meyland, Trelleborg Wheel System: Aaron Shelton, Sprunt Livestock: Lachlan Henderson.

## U17's: Waaia 5.6-36 def by Tungamah 5.11-41

**Goals:** W. Trower 2, A. Brooks, A. Watters, T.

Walker. The boys were eager to have a good hitout against a top four opponent. In very wet and muddy conditions the game was played in tight and contested for all four quarters. The young Waaia team matched it with the opposition all across the ground as the game was neck and neck most of the match! The backline worked well to provide plenty of pressure on the Tungamah forwards whilst the midfield battled hard all day. After going three goals down early in the last quarter, the message was sent out to fight the game out till the end. The boys gallantly battled their way back but unfortunately went down by 5 points. Tom Daniel was the standout on the day, winning plenty of contested ball in the midfield whilst Hughie Stammers and AJ Brooks had great games across half back. **Awards:** Jorgensen Refrigeration: Tom Daniel, Numurkah Nu Genes: Hughie Stammers, JOT Farms: AJ Brooks, Hoopers Garden Maintenance: Aiden Bryant, Stevenson Engineering: Kaleb Gilmour, Meat on Melville/Waaia Canteen: Jake Buckland.



Waaia's Ashley Thompson takes a strong tackle.



Kirsty Hommes looking to pass. ~ Photos Courtesy Janet Brooks

## U14's: Waaia 4.8-32 def by Tungamah 17.8-110

**Goals:** O. Buckland 2, P. Meyland, O. Carey. Our last game in early June was a fairly comfortable run-out against Katandra; but the Tungamah Bears, fresh from a single goal defeat against an impressive Deni Rovers, with a midfield well salted with interleague players was always going to be a challenge. And so it was, the Bears were big, well drilled units, strong across the oval. While the first quarter saw end to end powerplays, with Blake Fairless in fine tapping form, Tungamah kicking a couple before Oscar Carey got accurate at close range. With the impressive Oscar Buckland muscling through, the first quarter was a close affair, less than a goal in it. The second quarter, kicking into the breeze and the Bears roared away, kicking a handy six goals to two, coming the Bombers way, courtesy of Porter Meyland and Oscar Buckland, while the third quarter was more contested, Tom Graham and Jai Brown tough as nails on the attacking fifty. With a fifty point deficit at the last break, and the breeze back firmly in the claws of the Bears, the Bombers could only work hard to minimise the impact of the home team, to see out a final score of 110 to 32. The boys tried hard all morning. **Awards:** Murray Valley Rural & Plumbing: Tait Buckland, Ultimate Auto Repairs: Oscar Buckland, GV House & Building

Inspections: Blake Fairless, Numurkah Milk Supply: Preston Power, AgWarehouse / Waaia Canteen: Able Chandler.

## C Reserve: Waaia 46 def Tungamah 18

With the weather outlook not looking very flash, we came out full of energy after having 3 weeks off. We got off to a great start early and slowly built on that lead each quarter. Andrea Walker showed that age is no barrier as she intercepted passes, gave guidance to players on the court and lead from the front. Our defenders made sure they took full advantage of any loose balls and rebounded missed shots. Tearn Williams was a great back up option if we got stuck at centre passes or in attack but wasn't as vocal today as she normally is - or did the wild wind blow her encouraging voice away. We put together a solid 4 quarters even with all the changes we made which is a credit to the whole team. **Awards:** Bells Water Cartage: Andrea Walker, Casual Step: Tearn Williams.

## C Grade: Waaia 47 def Tungamah 25

From the first whistle the Bomber girls sprung into action with a 12 goal lead with our defenders limiting Tungamah's opportunity of scoring until the last 5 minutes of the quarter. Amanda's eye for reading the play was outstanding, getting her hands to the ball and gaining multiple intercepts. With some changes in the second our performance started to drop. The mid court worked tirelessly throughout the game, feeding the ball into the ring and working with our goalers against the wind. Rachael applied tight pressure

throughout the game, limiting her players possessions. With an improvement in the third, we were back to how we started the game in the 4th, walking away with a win. A strong start after time off and good team game by all. **Awards:** Sportfirst: Amanda Elliot, Waaia Hotel: Rachel Hooper

## B Grade: Waaia 33 def Tungamah 21

After three weeks of byes it was anyone's guess how we were going to show up. Add to that what seemed like tornado winds and a couple of injuries during the game!! We made it through and got the points and some game time back under our belts. Looking forward to building through these last four weeks. **Awards:** Carey Fabrication: Megan Elliot, Telegraph Hotel: Zoe Ludington.

## A Grade: Waaia 42 def Tungamah 29

The Bombers went out firing excited to kick off the home stretch of the season. Taking the first 5 minutes to find our feet we were set from there, Eloise Walker was dynamite through the mid court playing a vital role in our win. While Helen Williams and Rosie Arnel played a solid 4 quarters in the ring working together making their players work overtime to try and match their performance. Slowing down in the last quarter we need to remember to keep pushing until that final whistle. Another great team win girls! **Awards:** GJ Gardner Homes BOC: Eloise Walker, Telegraph Hotel: Helen Williams.

# Nathalia v Moama Round 14



**Seniors:** Nathalia 7.8.50 def Moama 5.7.37

**Goals:** G. Boyd 4, D. Barnes, A. Hicks, L. Evans

On a cold windy Saturday afternoon we went into our match full of confidence but knew it was going to be a very difficult task to beat Moama on their home ground. The wind was blowing directly across the ground making it even more difficult to score but we started well and although we missed, we few opportunities we were leading at the quarter time break. Carrying on from the first quarter a very physical contest continued with our guys not taking a backward



*Nathalia's seniors BOG Brodie Ross in action.*



*Nathalia's Ned Frostick going for a mark in U17's against Moama, in BOG performance.*

step but were unable to stop Moama from pinching the lead at the half time break. Though we were down by 5 points we felt that we were playing the better football and had a real opportunity to win the match. The third quarter was very low scoring only a goal a piece registered for both sides, which was just enough for us to take the lead back. Knowing how important the match was for us and our standing on the ladder Ryan Butler rallied the guys at three-quarter time for one last effort to which the boys delivered. Brodie Ross was magnificent marking strongly around the ground all day along with giving our mids first use. Clancy, Croxford and the Barnes boys set the tone in the last and cracked in hard forcing the ball forward which enabled us to kick away from Moama. Alex Hicks was fantastic across half back setting up a lot of run along with the other backs which stood tall all day. **Awards:** NFNC Meal Voucher BOG: Brodie Ross, Ryan Meat Co: Mick Croxford, Bourke Group: Tom Nihill, Liddell Group-Delcorp: Alex Hicks, Brereton's Bakery: Henry Congues, Past Players: Glenn Boyd

**Reserves:** Nathalia 2.7.19 def by Moama 12.4.76 **Goals:** K. Kopsidas, J. Gemmill

The reserves prepared well for the game against a highly rated Moama team and presented a young and talented squad on the day. The boys were quickly out of the blocks, hitting the scoreboard early in the first quarter. The mid-field worked together beautifully, giving the forwards ample opportunities to score. Across the ground the boys were tight and held the more experienced opposition with hard tackling and ferocity at the ball. The last line of defence, led by Brown, Lindsay and Wharton, teamed well with the half backs of Frostick, McKenna and Dietrich, to repel the oppositions repeated attacks. Teamwork was the theme of the day and everyone competed hard and worked for each other, but eventually succumbed to the experienced Moama team.

**Awards:** Limbrick Accounting BOG: Jake Brown, Mick Hogan Excavations: Josh Gemmill, NFNC Meal Voucher: Aiden Lindsay, Bell's Water Cartage: Byron Woods, Brereton's Bakery: Archie Congues

**U17s:** Nathalia 4.3.27 drew Moama 3.9.27

**Goals:** J. Vallender 2, R. Freeman, B. McDonald  
In tough conditions we faced Moama's thirds team. From the outset it was a battle with both sides able to transition the ball from the stoppage well. To the players' credit the pressure and most notably the tackling was of high quality, along with the wind made it a real slog to string several clean possessions together. The purples were able to have their noses in front for most of the day although it was always close. Late in the game there was very little in it and ended up a drawn game which was somewhat of a hallow feeling. In a game where winning the ground/contested ball was critical Ned Frostick was great all game along with Josh Dohnt who was bursting away from the stoppage continually. Brady Walpole and Tom Dohnt were again extremely solid down back winning many one on ones. Dylan Dohnt, Josh Vallender and Harry Rudd were other 4 quarter contributors who stood tall all day. **Awards:** Quarrell Civil Construction: Ned Frostick, Mick's Pizza Shack: Josh Dohnt, AV Hughes Excavations: Tom Dohnt, On Trend Cabinetry: Brady Walpole, TJ's IGA: Dylan Dohnt, Coach's: Harry Rudd

**U14s:** Nathalia 0.0.0 def by Moama 22.13.145

We came up against ladder leaders Moama and were up against it from the start with six players out the boys had their work cut out for them. We applied heaps of pressure around the contest which was great to see, but when Moama got their running game going it was hard to compete. Jas Pawlowicz was a standout playing a great role centre half back, Gus Frostick took some strong marks in defence and helped us get a few bursts of play into our forward line. Hamish Whyte worked hard in wet conditions and Mason Hatton rucked all day again and did not give up for the whole game. **Awards:** Past Players: Jas Pawlowicz, Nathalia Printers: Hugh Stone, Rex James Stockfeed: Gus Frostick, Frostick Contracting: Mason Hatton, Bendigo Bank: Hayden Feltham

**A Grade:** Nathalia 31 def by Moama 55

An outstanding performance by the girls in the first quarter, coming out firing to put us in control of the game. Unfortunately we couldn't maintain the pressure, losing momentum after

the first break.

A fantastic game defensively all over the court, creating many turnovers and unforced error. The rebounding efforts of the circle defence was relentless, great work girls.

**Awards:** TJ's IGA BOC: Jessi Hicks, North Victorian Bait Co: Liv Tilyard, Bell's Water Cartage: Lisa Kellow.

**B Grade:** Nathalia 21 def by Moama 65

We knew coming up against top of the ladder Moama was going to be tough, and our first half definitely proved that. Our 3rd quarter was our best quarter with all

players linking well, utilizing our possession of the ball and scoring off our intercepts. Mik Oliver played her best game yet with accurate shooting and providing lots of movement under the ring. Our pocket rocket Laura was in charge of the play and giving lots of direction to her team mates. Rhi kept the girls spirits up and fed into our goalers beautifully. Huge thanks to Elliott Binks for helping us in our defensive end, you always play a ripper game for us! Thank you to Eliza Kopsidas from the U17's for popping on the court for us. **Awards:** Les Rudd Haulage BOC: Mikayla Oliver, Mick's Pizza Shack: Laura Harvey-Hawkins, Casual Step: Rhianna Webster

**C Grade:** Nathalia 31 def by Moama 62. We expected a very challenging game coming up against top of the ladder Moama for the first time of the season. The wind definitely didn't

work in our favor, making us work even harder to bring the ball down the court. Everyone contributed their part and another great week was had for the defence end getting plenty of hands on the ball working hard throughout the game. **Awards:** TJ's IGA BOC: Kaiya Cornell, NFNC Meal Voucher: Alysha Cornell, Nathalia Hair & Beauty: Annie Dietrich

**C Reserve:** Nathalia 24 def by Moama 52  
We knew today was going to be a tough game but the girls came out very strong and played the game they were asked to play. It was so pleasing to see the girls break through many zone defences, and that was due to the very strong leads from Evie and Nicola in particular. Our third quarter was our strongest quarter with some really good passages of play. Evie was a presence on the court, always presenting for the ball and some great shooting and rebounding as usual. Nicola put pressure on the WA all game and assisted the team to bring the ball out of defence with great front cut leads.

Emily was thrown in to defence and you wouldn't know that she hasn't played there since an early junior. She provided plenty of pressure in the ring and I think even surprised herself. **Awards:** Limo's Mitre 10 BOC: Evie Hawks, Three Belles Coffee & Cake: Nicola Oliver, Brereton's Bakery: Emily Woods

## \$3.5 Million Secured for Flood Resilience

Our region was hit by unprecedented flooding in October and while communities are still recovering, work has already started on identifying what could be done to mitigate future floods.

\$3.5 million dollars has been secured in the first round of the Disaster Ready Fund and will help pave the way for bigger projects to build flood resilience across the region. This first round aimed to fund projects which help Councils and communities better understand what occurred and build a foundation of knowledge for developing projects to protect communities and critical infrastructure in the future. I continue to have regular discussions with government



ministers about what will be required to better protect our communities in future, and this billion-dollar fund over the next 5 years will aim to do that. The money includes \$112,500 for the Numurkah Flood Mitigation Project – Stage 2 Southern Levee Design as well as a broader project that involves documenting current flooding inadequacies in road infrastructure across local councils including Moira Shire.

## Water Buybacks

Water Minister, Tanya Plibersek, remains determined to take an extra 450GL of water from Basin communities. This means destruction and devastation for electorates like ours if this goes ahead.

The cost of living will further rise as productivity will drop and so will spending, affecting thousands of people and jobs in our region. I've called out the Minister in Parliament numerous times and have written to her for the second time to meet with me and answer questions that are of vital importance to our communities.

*My Questions to the Minister:*

*Why won't you extend the June 2024 deadline and pursue Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Mechanism projects that would achieve better outcomes for the environment in a sustainable way?*

*Is there is research showing the recovery of the additional 450GL would not have a negative social or economic impact on basin communities, if so, will you release it, if not, when will that work be done and released publicly before any water buybacks occur?*

## Arts Roundtable

I recently brought art organisations from across the region together to meet with Special Envoy for The Arts, Susan Templeman.

Its important regional arts are supported, and platforms are provided for creatives locally. The arts increase visitor numbers, drive economic growth and provides opportunities for communities to come together.

It's important regional arts are supported as it drives economic growth and forges social connections. Like all issues that affect our region, I'm determined to work across the aisle with the Government to get better outcomes for our region.



## What Matters to You Matters to Me

I'm encouraging locals to take part in my 30 Second Community Survey. Many households have received a copy of the survey in their letterbox, however people can also fill in the online survey via the QR code below. This is an opportunity to have your voice heard on issues that matter to you.



In appreciation for giving me your views two lucky constituents drawn at random from surveys returned by August 1 will receive a \$500 dollar grocery voucher.

## Sporting Champions Grant Open

Local Sporting Champions Grant Program is an Australian Government initiative that helps young people pursue their sporting dreams. The program provides financial assistance for coaches, officials and competitors aged 12-18 participating in state, national or international championships.

If successful, applicants will receive \$500-\$750 towards the cost of attending their championships.

I encourage locals to apply and give youngsters a hand up in pursuing their sporting dreams. Applications close July 31, 2023.

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