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Pride of The Murray Passes Through Nathalia

The Pride of the Murray, a 98 year old paddle steamer, passed through Nathalia on Tuesday the 7th of June, on it's 2300 kilometre trip from Echuca/Moama to Longreach, Queensland. The 60-tonne load on a trailer with 106 tyres to spread the load negotiated many different obstacles on its journey including Nathalia's round-a-bout and bridge over the Broken Creek.

Originally built at Echuca in 1924 as a red gum logging barge for the PS *Adelaide*, the then named *C24* transported logs from the Barmah Forest to Murray River Saw Mills at Echuca. After World War II, the paddle steamers and barges were no longer used, and she was abandoned on the banks of the Murray in the 1950s.

In 1972, Max Carrington dug it out from the riverbed sediment and transported it to the Moama slip where he began restoring and converting the old barge into a paddle boat, complete with a diesel engine. It was named the *Pride of the Murray* in honour of a paddle steamer that sank at Echuca in 1866.



More photos on page 12.



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Community Update



Moira Midwinter Festival – program available now

Let's warm up while it's cold – dance, play, sing and celebrate at our Moira Midwinter Festival. Central to the Festival will be an outdoor gallery and performing space, moving to each of the main towns throughout June and July. Moira Midwinter will be open Friday to Wednesday from 10am to 4pm with activities for all ages and abilities on offer. Go to our website for all the details and to view the program.



Community Newsletter – subscribe now

Did you know we have a monthly newsletter filled with updates and announcements on projects, initiatives and decisions of Council. Why not jump onto our website, read the latest news and subscribe now!

Business Achievement Awards – nominations closing

Don't miss your chance to nominate your favourite business in the following categories -

- Retail
- Tourism
- Agriculture
- Horticulture
- Professional Services
- Manufacturing
- Best New Business
- Best Regional Business

Finalists will then be selected from the nominated businesses for the Moira Business Achievement Awards, with the community then encouraged to vote in coming weeks.

The award ceremony will be held at the end of July as an acknowledgement for the hard work, success and dedication of businesses across Moira Shire.

Go to our website and nominate your favourite business – nominations close **5pm Friday 17 June**.



Council meeting - June

The next scheduled meeting of Council will commence at **5pm Wednesday 22 June**, at the Cobram Civic Centre. On advice from Local Government Victoria, this meeting will be closed to the public, however it will be livestreamed via Council's Facebook page. If you do not use social media, you can view this meeting through Council's website. Questions from the public must be emailed to info@moira.vic.gov.au by 5pm the day prior to the meeting and be clearly marked as questions for the June meeting. Submitted questions will be read at the designated section of the meeting and answered by the appropriate officer or councillor.



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National Reconciliation Week

During the National Reconciliation Week, Nathalia Secondary College participated in a range of activities and events to recognise the First Peoples of this Nation. Students in Yr 9 created Reconciliation Action Plans, sharing their thoughts on how they can "Be Brave. Make Change".

We had indigenous wrist bands to hand out to students and staff as well as creating some dishes using indigenous colours. Some students participated in a friendly game of Buroinjon, a traditional ball game played by the Kabi Kabi people, against St Mary's.

A group of our students and staff also attended the Sorry Day Ceremony in Shepparton, where they placed hands they had decorated as a sign of respect, and witnessed a smoking ceremony.

Finally, we held an assembly, addressing the importance of this week, focusing on how we can move forward together. National Reconciliation Week is a crucial part of building relationships and communities that value Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people, histories, cultures and futures.



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Moira Shire Messages

Community Strengthening Grants awarded

Moira Shire Council has awarded grants to four projects across the shire, totalling \$26,149, as part of the Community Strengthening Grants Program.

Mayor Libro Mustica said Council grants were a great way to kick start a community initiative, with the grants designed to support community organisations that provide diverse and effective local services, facilities and activities.

"These grants help facilitate projects which enrich the whole community and can assist in the development of services, management of facilities, co-ordination of events and promotion of tourism, environmental sustainability and health in the community," Cr Mustica said.

"This latest round of grants will help community groups from St James, Yarrowonga, Numurkah and Cobram.

"The Cobram Football Club will receive \$10,000 to assist in creating a new spectator shelter.

"The Rotary Club of Numurkah will receive \$10,000 to help in the purchase of an 11 seater all-abilities community bus for use by residents of the Pioneer Lodge and Karinya Nursing Home.

"The St James Golf Club will receive \$1,804 to replace old curtains which will improve the clubhouse; the carpet will also be replaced but has been included in Council's renewal program for 2022/23.

"The Yarrowonga and Border Agricultural and Pastoral Association will receive \$4,345 for the installation of an evaporative cooler in the Hammon Pavilion.

"Congratulations to those community groups.

"I would also like to thank the Goulburn Valley Regional Library Group who provided support to the applicants with the online application process including computer and internet use."

Moira Midwinter Festival

In a month long celebration of winter, the Moira Midwinter Festival kicked off last Friday 10 June in Yarrowonga.

Mayor Libro Mustica said over the next three weeks the towns of Nathalia, Cobram, and Numurkah will come alive with the first ever, specially curated Midwinter Festival.

"Each town will have a week of music, DJs, silent discos and food trucks, plus a central outdoor arts and performing space," Cr Mustica said.

"The Moira Midwinter Festival is designed to encourage people to experiment with ideas and interact with art as part of their everyday lives.

"Central to the Festival will be an outdoor gallery and performing space, moving to each of the main towns throughout June and July, and we have asked our local artists to supply artwork focusing on the theme of *Our People, Our Environment*.

"There will be so much to see and do, it is the perfect winter outing for everyone.

"So rug up and celebrate winter – everything is free, log on to the Moira Midwinter Festival page on our website for all the event activities and dates."

The Moira Midwinter Festival will be open Friday to Wednesday from 10am to 4pm, however programming may change based on weather conditions and health restrictions.

Nathalia's Midwinter festival starts on Friday 17 June, Apex Park.



Upcoming Events

What's On Locally

June 17 - 22	Moira Midwinter Festival
October 1	Nathalia Agricultural Show
October 2	Daylight Savings Starts
November 11	RSL Remembrance Day Services
December 31	Nathalia New Years Eve Carnival

Contact Nathalia Printers if you would like your event added to the What's On Locally calendar.
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YOU'RE GREAT

Thumbs Up: to Sean and his team of helpers at the G.R.A.I.N. Store film night gig on Friday 6th. Their efforts under pressure were outstanding.

MEALS ON WHEELS

June 17th - July 1st

June	
Friday 17th	David & Cheryl McKenzie
Monday 20th	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Tuesday 21st	Mary Agius
Wednesday 22nd	Leeanne Caldwell & Laurel Dimond
Thursday 23rd	John & Eve Attwood
Friday 24th	Graeme Smith
Monday 27th	Mick & Alison Keogh
Tuesday 28th	Darryl Hill & Mary Wilson
Wednesday 29th	Marlene Moor
Thursday 20th	Margaret Cobbledick
July	
Friday 1st	Patricia Hawks

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June 26th: 9.30am Picola
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June 19th : 8.00am @Holy Trinity, Uniting Church to visit
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Nathalia Night Watch CWA



An evening in Malaysia!

Every year the Country Women's Association of Vic chooses a different 'country of interest' so that we can learn more about other parts of the world, this year it's Malaysia... and what unites people more than sitting down and enjoying a tasty meal together?

Nathalia Night Watch CWA met on the evening of Wednesday 8th at the Guide hall, but the intriguing scents of various exotic foods soon transported us to the food hawkers' markets in the bustling streets of



Kuala Lumpur or Penang where we learnt about the many different cultures which have left their footprint on the country throughout its history.

Each member brought along one or two dishes they had cooked, some of the more exotic ingredients were a bit hard to source and we realised they eat a lot of rice!

We learnt some new words, like 'nasi' for rice and 'goreng' meaning fried.

Some members' kids came along too and Kayla impressed us with her report of basic facts about the country; Malay is the official language but there are also 112 different indigenous languages spoken.

The highlight of the evening was when Adrea turned up in full Malay dress with a traditional platter on banana leaves!

Here's a recipe you can try, to add a bit of Malaysian exoticism to your life... over there it's eaten as a daytime snack, there's no concept of dessert in Malaysia. For us, it's a great Winter comfort food.

Bubur Pulut Hitam - Black Rice Pudding

1 cup of black glutinous rice

5 cups water

4 pandan leaves (for flavour, but not absolutely necessary)

Coconut sugar, but dark brown sugar works fine

1 can coconut milk (TCC brand, from IGA is great)

A little salt

Rinse the rice, then add to a medium pot with the water and pandan leaves, cook covered on low heat, stirring occasionally, until the rice grains are broken up into a gloopy mush; this might take a couple of hours. Remove pandan leaves and add enough sugar till it's slightly sweet, stir till dissolved.



Add salt to the room temperature coconut milk, stir, check the taste, it should be slightly salty.

Serve the rice warm in bowls with coconut milk poured over the top. The contrast between the warm sweetness and the cold saltiness is what makes this dish intriguing.

St Francis Primary School Refurbishment



St Francis is getting close to completing their new learning centre refurbishment. The project, funding in partnership with the Victorian Government and Catholic Education has allowed for the refurbishment of 4 classrooms, new assembly and gathering spaces, new meeting rooms and a purpose-built kitchen to continue our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden (SAKG) program for students.

We look forward to the redevelopment being completed mid Term 3 and moving into the new learning area.



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Out and about with the preschool children



On a cold, wet windy winters day, the children in 4 year old preschool boarded a coach and headed off to explore Shepparton.

Their first stop was to visit SAM (Shepparton Art Museum) where the Education Coordinator Anni had invited us to participate in a magic-clay workshop. The workshop is based on the Liquidarium exhibition designed by artist Vera Möller and inspired by the wetlands. A wet land is the area around the lakes and rivers. Many plants and animals live and grow in the wetland's areas. Vera has created a wet land in the exhibition to show what life is like in the wetlands from the point of view of a frog. It was an opportunity to use our senses to observe, listen and move around the exhibition.

Anni then invited us into the workshop where we engaged in hands on learning with sculpting an aquatic plant with magic-clay. Magic-clay is a self-drying medium that can be sculptured in many ways and forms and is the perfect follow on from the children using playdough and clay at preschool.

We are the first preschool group to be invited to participate in an art workshop at SAM!

Due to the wet weather, we ventured in a lift to the fourth floor for lunch. Excited children's voices were heard "we are the same as the treetops", "look over there, I can see a town" as they took in their view.



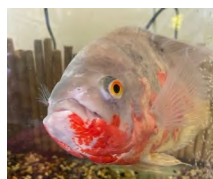
On arrival at Shepparton on a cold, wet windy day.



Creating an aquatic plant in the magic-clay workshop



Liquidarium, a point of view of a frog.



Our big Oscar. Only one fish in the tank with this big fish

After lunch, we boarded the coach to visit Elora's Mum Holly who works at PETstock to purchase tropical fish for our tank. For many months our giant Oscar greeted the children every morning. After a discussion about why we could only have one fish in the tank, the children decided that they would like to see many different fish swimming. Therefore, the hard decision was made to rehome our Oscar fish. We found a fish collector who specialises in large Oscars and off went our fish to his new home. At PETstock, the children investigated what a pet shop sells. Looking at all the birds for sale and watching the kittens play in their enclosure. Holly then showed us the fish and advised us on the ones perfect to create a community in our fish tank.

With our choices caught, we boarded the coach to bring our fish to their new home. If you would like to see the fish in their new home at preschool, you can look up our Facebook page Nathalia & District Preschool.

Excursions provide the children with an opportunity to think about the world in which they live, to engage in new experiences within a group and to practice making appropriate choices. These are all skills required to be successful learners throughout their life.



Enrolments are open for both 3 & 4 year old government funded preschool for 2023. Please visit www.grpsa.com.au to put in an application. Enrolments close at the end of July 2022.

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Museum Moments...

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

This photograph was kindly loaned to me by Mr Vic Dohnt. It shows the Murray Valley Coach in Echuca in 1949.



This coach would travel from Mildura through to Corryong each week, pulling into Nathalia at about midday, at the café located where the Printer's shop is now.

The prime mover was a 'White' model truck.

It would feel very different to what we know today to have the driver in a separate part of the vehicle to the passengers.

If you know any interesting details about the activities of the Murray Valley Coachlines we would love to hear from you.

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

Rotary Club of Nathalia Rotary Report

It was not to be...

The planned debate on June 6th did not go ahead after all. The Nathalia Secondary College debating team took ill (two students with Covid and one with 'flu). Thus the debate got postponed and a new date will be scheduled after the winter school holidays. We wish the students speedy recoveries and look forward to the post school holidays debate.

Regarding the latest about polio in the world: "Two new cases of the wild polio virus have been reported in recent weeks – taking the total number for the year to date to five." The article goes on, "It was reported in the official Polio Weekly global update on May 13 that the number of WPV cases for the year so far was three – two in Pakistan and one in Afghanistan." Later in the week, in an official weekly report on Thursday May 19 it was "confirmed there have been two new cases of WPV – one in Pakistan from the same area as the previous two cases in Pakistan this year; and the second in Mozambique – derived from the Malawi outbreak."

A few words now, from another article, about the good that Rotary is doing through its Foundation:

"This year, Rotary made another contribution in our commitment to peace, in the form of more than 1,000 global, district, and disaster response grants approved to fulfil the needs of thousands around the world. For until hungry people are fed, families have access to clean water, and children everywhere are educated, we won't truly have peace in the world."

We received a booking for the Heart House on June 9th. The house was ready, after our recent working bee, but we still had to go to the house before the guests arrived. The carpets had been steam cleaned, soon after we worked at the house, and the furniture needed to be put back in place.

The yearly insurance at the respite house has risen by about 50% and it is

a huge expense. The fact that the property is not constantly occupied, that it's close to the Murray (flood risk) and to Barmah forest (fire risk) dictates the cost of insurance. We mentioned this cost in front of our incoming Assistant Governor (when she attended our June 1st meeting) and she said she'd see what she could do. The next day she gave a phone number for a member from one of the Melbourne Rotary clubs, also in District 9790. Heart to Heart president, John Attwood, spoke with this man and a couple of days later John received a call to say that \$1,500 would be donated towards this insurance of \$2,500. We are very grateful, to say the least, and have expressed our gratitude to the Melbourne Rotarian, and his members, and AG elect too.

Our meeting, on the 15th of June, was held in the Senior Citizens' rooms. It was our last "official" meeting for this Rotary year. Some business was conducted, there was plenty of Fellowship, and the Changeover was also discussed.

This will be on June 29th at the bowling Club in Weir Street. This was last year's venue also and it suited the occasion very well. Roving Roast will feed us, and a bowls club member will tend the bar. Apparently there are now more heaters, in the venue, than there were last year, so that will be very nice. Of course there will be words written about this evening, and photos will accompany the words also.

Yours truly has been asked to continue submitting articles for the RGC through the next Rotary year and will...you've been warned, Jeanette! In closing this article, on behalf of our Rotary club, I'd like to thank Roland and his staff for printing our articles each time; we greatly appreciate the exposure we get every fortnight.

~ Eve Attwood.

- ◆ Yesterday I saw a guy spill all his Scrabble letters on the road. I asked him, "What's the word on the street?"
- ◆ Once my dog ate all the Scrabble tiles. For days he kept leaving little messages around the house.
- ◆ Old McDonald had a rubbish hand at scrabble. E-I-E-I-O.
- ◆ Scrabble is all fun and games until someone loses an i.

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For those who don't go out at night, the great news is **U3A Nathalia** has taken up the invitation to organize an afternoon screening **1.30pm Tuesday July 5 at The Senior Citizens** RSVP Robyn Fairman 0429 662 636



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Workshops upon workshops

10-1 Friday 17th June ...down at Broken Creek at the beautiful Moira Midwinter Glamorous Mobile Exhibition and Performance Space (see photo)

A Photography briefing before going off to tackle and add to our collection of Portraits of Nathalia and District (POND)

A sit down collective and collaborative art-making opportunity...draw, colour in, collage using paint, textas, glue and cutouts...what can sixty people make in three hours. Ruby will curate our efforts into a beautiful whole.



Wednesday 6-8 pm June 22 John Donegan is conducting a Post production Studio for portait photographers contributing to our Portrait of Nathalia and District (POND) Exhibition. Bring images and fully charged laptops for some hands on digital work @ The G.R.A.I.N. Store.



10-3.30pm Saturday 9 July, 6 August and 3 September Linden Lancaster's Nature Journaling Workshops

Last 4 places available. Linden is generously sharing many of her thoughtful nature journaling techniques with an artistic bent. This is a very rare opportunity to work on your own journaling

observations. The three linked sessions with some work in between will mean you achieve considerable depth of understanding and increase the likelihood that what you start here will continue to add richness to your life beyond the classes. Bookings via www.trybooking.com/BXSXP or call in to The G.R.A.I.N. Store.

Difficult Landing

The airline had a policy that required the first officer to stand at the door while the passengers exited, smile, and give them a - 'Thanks for flying XYZ airline'. An airline pilot on this particular flight hammered his plane into the runway really hard. In light of his bad landing, he had difficulty looking the passengers in the eye,

all the time he thought that a passenger would have a smart comment. However, it seemed that all the passengers were too shell shocked to say anything. Finally, everyone had gotten off except for this little old lady walking with a cane. She said, 'Sonny, mind if I ask you a question?' Why no Ma'am,' said the pilot, 'What is it?' The little old lady said, 'Did we land or were we shot down?'

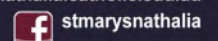
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Nathalia Primary School at Star Bowl



The Star Bowl in Shepparton was the scene of much fun and laughter for the Year 4, 5 and 6 students from Nathalia Primary School. After using the practice mats and skittles at school it was time to test their ten pin bowling skills. It was a great opportunity for the students to work in teams, encourage each other and, for some, to try something new. Thanks to the staff at the venue for helping to make the day such a success.

This pastor decided to skip church one Sunday morning and go play golf.
 He told his assistant he wasn't feeling well. He drove to a golf course in another city, so nobody would know him.
 He teed off on the first hole. A huge gust of wind caught his ball, carried it an extra hundred yards and dropped it right in the hole, for a 450 yard hole in one.
 An angel looked at God and said, "What did you do that for?"
 God smiled and said, "Who's he going to tell?"

Songs With Girls' Names

Find and circle all of these songs that have a girls name in the title. The remaining letters spell an additional song title.

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On Trend Cabinetry



On Trend Cabinetry has opened its doors at 50 Elizabeth St, Chris & Jason are pictured here with the new panel saw Nathalia. Owner Chris Hindle has been a cabinet maker for 17 years & has 4th year apprentice Jason McKenna working with him. that was recently installed in the workshop. On Trend Cabinetry makes kitchens, cabinetry & bathroom vanities.



Chris Hindle & Jason McKenna outside On Trend Cabinetry shop.



Jason McKenna, Chris Hindle & Wes from SCM with the new panel saw.

Goulburn Murray Valley fruit fly project receives top accolade - national award

The Goulburn Murray Valley Fruit Fly Area Wide Management Program has taken out a top accolade for its achievements in reducing the impact of fruit fly on the Australian horticultural industry.



The program featured at the Hort Connections national awards for excellence in Brisbane on the 8 June 2022, receiving the Visy Industry Impact Award from a field of 16 industry candidates from across Australia.

Program Governance Group Chairman, Tony Siciliano said the award was an outstanding achievement and recognised the important work that has been achieved in protecting Australia's \$12 billion horticultural industry from the devastating impacts of fruit fly.

"The program's coordinated and highly effective area wide management approach has resulted in positive outcomes for the region and has become a model of best practise which is being replicated in other areas," Mr Siciliano said.

Program Coordinator, Ross Abberfield said the award independently assessed and recognised the program for implementing a system of technology and business practice outside of the industry norm, as part of the program's area wide management of fruit fly.

"The judges determined the program achieved a significant contribution to best practice and cost savings through the value chain. They believe that we have delivered technology and practice that is not in common usage by industry, providing a commercial and competitive advantage, which is something we are extremely proud of," Mr Abberfield said.



L-R: Goulburn Murray Valley Fruit Fly Area Wide Management Program Governance Group Chairman, Tony Siciliano & Visy Sales Manager Kym Ziersch. (Photo credit AUSVEG)

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Broken Creek Drama

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Everyone is anxious.

'When will the world be quiet again?' asks my young grandson.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Queen Elizabeth visited NCN Health Nathalia on Tuesday visiting to celebrate her Platinum Jubilee with PAG clients. A luncheon and laughter was had with the Queen and her marmalade sandwich in her handbag, viewing the Queen's ninety photos in ninety seconds, also Paddington Bear.

Madeline Jane entertained the clients with recorder and piano music which they enjoyed dancing to. Thank you to staff and volunteers for a wonderful day.

Happy birthday to Wilma Jones, pictured right.

A young Queen also came dressed up to visit (pictured below).



The Queen popped in to wish Ray Oliver Happy 80th Birthday (pictured left middle) and Mr Keith Bell 90th Birthday (pictured left).

A massive thank you to Volunteers Rosemary and Norma, and to the Queen (Averil Kennedy). Also to international visitor, Therese Kolgelman from South Africa-Commonwealth country. It made the residents/clients day.

The Pride of the Murray as it made its way through Nathalia



Through the lens of U3A Photography Group

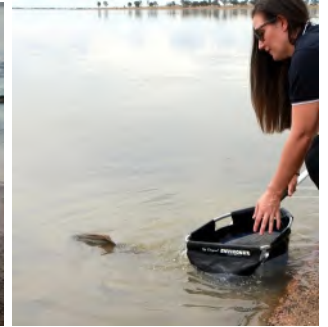


A great photographic day was enjoyed by members of the Nathalia U3A photography group on Saturday 4th June. The morning was quite cool on arrival to the Barmah National Park where we encountered many photo opportunities, i.e. emus, birds and brumbies. Luck was on our side when we boarded the "Kingfisher" and took an unexpected journey. This was a most memorable trip with John Jackson and visitors from Melbourne, Shirley and Paul. During the outing we encountered large red gums and enjoyable scenic views of the beautiful lake area.

[For full colour photos redgumcourier.com.au](http://redgumcourier.com.au)

Greens Lake Native Fish Salvage

With the decommissioning of Greens lake by GM-Water, and an attempt made by Roland and his team at the Goulburn Valley Association of Angling Clubs (GVAAC), and the Victorian Recreational Fishing Peak Body (VRFish) to save Greens Lake for its Regional Community, Recreational and Environmental values, it became apparent after many discussions that no water will be allocated to the lake even with spillage and excess water flowing out to sea this year. Next step was to warn the authorities of an imminent major fish kill which created much of a stir and led to fish surveys last year and a recovery attempt before Easter this year. With only a handful of native fish recovered, letters were once again sent out, and a forty week recovery operation was initiated which will be completed by the end of this week (17th June). To date 398 large Golden Perch and 42 Murray Cod with 10 over 1M have been relocated to Waranga basin, Goulburn River and the Arcadia Fish Hatchery to be used as brood stock.



Photos above taken within the first week of the salvage operation contracted to Keith Bell, Golden perch were released by Roland and Michelle Wenner into Waranga basin, with the Murray Cod released into the Goulburn River at Murchison, by Mark Little from Snobs Creek hatchery

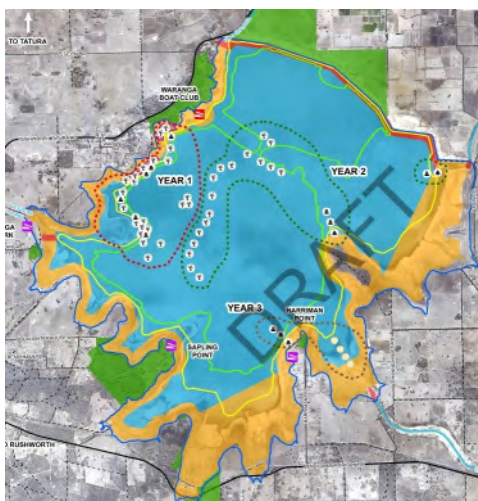
Waranga Basin Habitat Installation



The GVAAC steering committee chaired by Roland will soon receive its draft report on the engineering and costing of the habitat installation from the Wedge Group, Echuca. Permits will then be applied for and the installation of woody structures and brush piles made ready for installation into the Zone around the island and up to the Yacht club on the western side of the lake, fishers and volunteers will be able to assist with the implementation which will be staged over a period of 2 weekends.

Recently VFA Inland fisheries Manager Dr Taylor Hunt and Roland spent an afternoon fishing and taking depth readings and photos around the proposed new habitat site, Taylor was surprised by the size and depth of the lake including the number of redfin caught. The VFA are eager to stock 750,000 golden perch fingerlings into the lake over the next 3 years. According to Roland stocking ceased a few years ago, under pressure from redfin fishers, but will recommence when sufficient habitat is provided for the fingerlings.

Above; Roland at a recent VFA Forum which was held in Nagambie. Roland and Dr Taylor Hunt out fishing and surveying the habitat site for year 1.



Arcadia Native Fish Hatchery

Recently over 30 members of local angling clubs, from Kyabram, Undera, Euroa, Tatong, Rochester and Nathalia together with senior VFA and VRFish members participated in an outing to Greens Lake, Waranga Basin and the Arcadia Native Fish Hatchery organised by the Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) fisheries manager Michelle Wenner.

13 large Golden Perch were taken from Greens Lake and released into Waranga Basin at the new boat launching facility at Harriman's Point as part of the Greens lake salvage operation, BBQ lunch and a very



Keith Bell's Salvage boat at Greens Lake.

informative visit of the new fish hatchery in Arcadia was undertaken providing an excellent insight into this modern facility.

Anthony Forster gave a tour of the hatchery starting with the Brood Ponds where female cod lay their eggs into fine mesh structures, taken, checked and the fish larvae transferred into Zooplankton ponds, where it will take only one week for the larvae to grow into fingerlings 4-5cm. The zooplankton ponds with a bed of grass are filled with water towards the end of September, sprayed with fertiliser and within a short time turn green with algae, the microscopic animals (zooplankton) drift around eating the algae turning the water into a brown soup,

fish larvae is then placed into the ponds and swim around eating the zooplankton, once ready the fingerlings are then transferred via underground pipes into blue tubs in an area below ground level, and distributed into our waterways

Fish Ecologist, Ryan gave a demonstration of how to determine the sex of a Cod, insert a Tag (microchip) and take a DNA sample.

The entire process from collecting the eggs to getting the fingerlings ready for release does not require any nets or handling procedures that could harm the fish.



Bee Friendly Farming grants dig deep to plant 100,000 trees for bees

Bee Friendly Farming's popular tree grants are now open, with farmers across the country being supported to join the pledge to plant 100,000 trees for bees.

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available to farmers and land managers to plant pollinator-friendly trees that are indigenous to their farms, with Bee Friendly Farming providing farmers and land managers with \$1 for every tree planted, thanks to grant partners One Tree Planted and Flow Hive.

The program is administered by When Bee Foundation, and CEO Fiona Chambers said the tree grants support pollinators while also benefiting farmers.

"Habitat loss is one of the greatest threats to bees and other pollinators," Ms Chambers said. "Planting pollinator-friendly trees increases food for bees, provides essential habitat for them to breed and creates habitat corridors, reducing the distance they need to travel to forage."

"This, in turn, helps farmers with healthier, more prolific pollinators and enhanced crop pollination outcomes."

The Bee Friendly Farming program works with farmers to help protect, preserve and promote the health of all pollinators. This month, Bee Friendly Farming celebrated its first anniversary in Australia. In just 12 months, more than 30,000 hectares of farmland across Australia has been certified Bee Friendly Farming.

To receive a tree grant, farms must be certified with Bee Friendly Farming. The tree grants, which start at \$1,000, more than cover certification costs, making it both good for the environment and a sound business investment.

This is the second year the tree grants have been offered. Last year, 17 agriculture businesses in four states received grants totalling \$48,600 to plant pollinator-friendly trees.

"This grant program was extremely successful last year funding the establishment of 80ha of pollinator habitat across four states," Ms Chambers said. "We are pleased to continue our work with One Tree

Planted and we are confident we can reach our new target of 100,000 trees, creating 100 additional hectares of pollinator-friendly habitat."

One Tree Planted supports reforestation projects across the globe. Last year, the non-profit planted 10 million trees. This year, the organisation is on track to support the planting of more than 20 million trees. Each project is managed in partnership with local communities for a range of objectives from forest fire recovery to wildlife habitat expansion.

One Tree Planted Asia Pacific Regional Director Beth Dalgleish said the organisation was keen to continue this world-first partnership with farmers specifically to plant trees to benefit native pollinators.

One Tree Planted is thrilled to be supporting farmers to plant trees specifically to benefit pollinators," Ms Dalgleish said. "We are excited to follow the first plantings this year as a result of the first round of grants, and we are looking forward to seeing more farmers take part as the program expands."

Successful applicants will receive a contribution of \$1 per tree planted, with grants between \$1,000 and \$10,000 available. Larger grant requests will be considered. Applications must be received on or before 5pm AEST on Sunday, 31 July 2022.

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WRIGHT – Robert “Leigh”

Late of Nathalia. Passed away peacefully at Bupa Aged Care Echuca on 11th June 2022, aged 77 years.

Our loving Dad and Pa, dearly loved by his children Craig and his partner Jacqui; and Gary (dec.); and his grandchildren Mitchell, Paris and Olivia.

Pa, you travelled the world, and lived your life to the fullest, and loved watching your Bombers.

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WRIGHT – Robert “Leigh”

Passed away 11th June 2022, at Bupa Echuca, aged 77. Formally of Nathalia.

Loved Dad of Craig & Gary (dec). Loved nephew of Nance Moore and family.

Many memories of Leigh visiting us on the farm at Waaia/Nathalia.

~ Marlene, Craig (dec), Stacey and family



FUNERALS

WRIGHT - A Service to celebrate the life of Mr. Robert “Leigh” Wright will be held at the Dancocks Room, Robertson Street, Nathalia, TODAY, 17th June 2022 commencing at 11am. Followed by Private Cremation.

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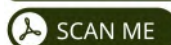
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Nathalia women's vs Benalla
Goals: A. Favaro 2, A. Glanville, G. Hawks, C. Price, C. Briggs, R. Hicks 1

Freezing cold, wet, windy conditions awaited the girls on Sunday 5th June in Benalla. After the bus running a little behind schedule, the team quickly got ready and set out onto the field. The first quarter saw a very even contest between the teams, with majority of the footy being between the 50's for the quarter. Unfortunately, the Purp's girls took a bit to warm up finishing the quarter down by 1 point. The second quarter saw the girls more warmed up and attacking of the footy however it was still a hard slog in the conditions ending the half 2.1 vs Benalla 1.3. The second half saw the girls play much more attacking, putting their heads over the ball and bodies on the line to get the ball moving forward. This meant we were able to stem the Saints scoring for the second half while adding on a few goals of our own to run out 7.3-45 vs 1.3-9 winners.

Best Players: Rex James Stockfeed: Gemma Hawks, Gagliardi Scott Real Estate: Stacey Ross, Nugenes Numurkah: Abby Favaro, Casual Step: Grace Thomson, Nathalia Fert & Grain: Chloe Schmedje, Nathalia CWA Nightwatch: Tash Dennis



Nathalia's Reni Hicks against Benalla last weekend



Nathalia Football Netball Club Sock It 2 MND



The fight against MND is a cause very close to our hearts, with our very own Purps Mum Kelly currently fighting the beast.

As a whole club event, the Nathalia Football Netball Club asked all our football and netball players, as well as umpires, runners and trainers, to "pull up their socks", hosting a SockIt2MND event last Saturday. It was so great to see everyone get on board and support this great cause.

Our Women's football team will also pull up their socks at our next home game on Sunday 26/6/22.

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The Nathalia Under 14's team in their MND socks.

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Nathalia Golf Club Results

Monday May 6: Well done to our Nathalia Ladies team - winners of the NUMURKAH GLYNMAWR SALVER with a score of 115 points finishing 16 pts ahead of R/ups Numurkah team on 99 pts. Congratulations to Sonia Verlinden who came in with 46 pts, the top score of the day plus Lynette Lindsay on 35 pts and Nancy Dunn on 34 pts, great job ladies.

Sunday May 8: Winners Toby Hansford and Adam Zammit won the day. Well done.

Sunday May 22: Stableford, Winner Tony Brown 35 points from Steve Piggott 29 on a countback from John Drenen. Steve Piggott got NTP.

Sunday May 27: Stableford event with 8 players. Winner was Toby Hansford with a

great score of 38 points from Gary Manley 33 points. NTP Steve Piggott. It is great to see the young ones in Toby Hansford, Adam Zammit and Devon Moroney putting pressure on the oldies. Great job boys.

Sunday June 5: 4 heroes braved the rainy conditions, not good weather. Gary Manley took the win with 32 points from Tony Brown 30 points. NTP Gary Manley.

Sunday June 12: Winner Gary Manley with a score of 37. R/Up John Drenen 36, NTP Gary Manley.

This Sunday, June 19: The Men's 2nd Club Championship will be held 9.00 am assembly for, 9.30 am Tee Off. Hope for fine weather.



Above: Lynette Lindsay, Sonia Verlinden & Nancy Dunn, winners of the Numurkah GLYNMAWR SALVER.



Nathalia Golf Club Volunteers Coring the green.



Hard at it. Stan worn out.



Left: Our Congratulations go to Alison Keogh for being Ladies Golf Champion for 2022.

Knights Round 6 Report



Under 9's: Nathalia Knights 8.15.63 def Kyabram Bombers 1.1.7

A great game by our U9's team, showing great dominance in our forward and back lines. Kyabram showed some strong defence and made our Knights work hard on the field.

Our skills are growing weekly and great to hear a lot of talking calling for the ball making our play keep moving forward. Great game Knights, absolute little legends.

Under 11's: Nathalia Knights 4.10.34 def by Kyabram Bombers 5.8.38

Goals: Blayde Wiki-King 2, Caleb Russell 1, Miller Butler 1.

Our Knights superstars have come a long way this season and our trip over to play Kyabram was a perfect example of this. As usual, the game started off with a tight contested first quarter of hard work and team play, which made everyone on the sidelines so proud of the way we not only treat each other but the opposition as well. Ky lead for the first half by a few goals, but in the third quarter we flicked the switch and shut them down, with Blayde Wiki-King cutting through the packs and slipping a couple through the big sticks. Our backline gave the opposition no way of converting, with Grace Leslie marking the ball on the last line of defence

twice and we worked the footy all the way to our forward line to set us up with a lead heading into the last quarter.

Big Jack Wilson went into the Ruck and did extremely well. Spencer Caldwell and Tanner Quinn were a wall through Half Back and our two top-up Under 9's, Paulie Shearer and Miller Butler, never looked out of the game. Caleb Russell, Zac Ebejer and Ollie Nuttall controlled the way we played all day. Miraculously, Ky kicked two in the last minutes of the last quarter and stole the win. But that will make us hungrier for the contest and by all



means, we've had a lesson in fair play. We finished the game with our heads held high and were very proud of the way we played. Well done everyone. Great stuff. Best on: Blayde Wiki-King, Ollie Nuttall, Xavier Murray, Zac Ebejer, Angus Coutts, Caleb Russell.

UPCOMING FOOTBALL & NETBALL GAMES

Murray Football Netball League:

Round 11: 18/6/22: Nathalia v Rumbalara (match played at Nathalia)
Round 12: 25/6/22: Nathalia v Congupna (match played at Nathalia)

Picola & District Football Netball League:

Round 12: 18/6/22: Waaia v Picola United (match played at Waaia)
Round 13: 25/6/22: Picola United v Rennie (match played at Picola)
Round 13: 25/6/22: Katunga v Waaia (match played at Katunga)

MBCM Northern Country Women's League

Round 10: 19/6/22: Echuca v Nathalia (match played at Echuca @ 2.30pm)
Round 11: 26/6/22: Nathalia v Tatura (match played at Nathalia @ 2.30pm)



Nathalia v Tongala Round 10



Under 14's:

Nathalia 2.2.14 vs Tongala 10.13.73

N. Summerville, R. Freeman 1

The fourths took on Tongala for the second time on Saturday. The boys battled hard all game and the scoreboard was not a true representation of the game played. Pat Ryan worked extremely hard all day while Levi Lewer attacked the ball at every contest. River Freeman continues to improve, while Brandon Hatton used his kick to good effect in the backline. With a few tweaks on the training track the boys will be fit and firing to take on Rumba. **Awards:** Past Players: Pat Ryan, Rex James Stockfeed: Dylan Dohnt, Nathalia Printers: Brandon Hatton, Frostick Contracting: Jas Pawlowicz, Nathalia Bendigo Bank & TJ's IGA: Declan Begley.

Under 17's: Nathalia 7.6.48 vs Tongala 5.2.32

N. Bramwell, B. McDonald, E. Congues, T. Caulfield, J. Hutchins, E. Cornell, R. Freeman 1

For the second time this we faced Tongala on a windy morning this time at the Nathalia Recreation Reserve. From the outset the game was a struggle for both team to string consecutive effective possessions together and transition the ball. Sometimes there are just days where the oppositions pressure or perceived pressure just does not allow it or you're just that little bit off your best. In a well umpired game the spirit was pretty good and the Nathalia boys were able to run the game out better.

Gus Bramwell had a great duel in the ruck but found a mountain of the ball around the ground to have a large impact on the game. Ewan Congues always gives his all and again won a lot of contested possession along with Brady Walpole and Ned Bramwell who win a lot of one on ones to be vital cogs. The Purples run and handball game didn't always come off but the idea was right with Oliver Sheehan and Josh Dohnt in the thick of the action. Other players who had solid outputs were Mason Cobblestick and Tom Dohnt who attack the contest and provide important drive.

Awards: Quarrell Civil Construction: Gus Bramwell, AV Hughes Excavations: Ewan Congues, Sportfirst Numurkah: Brady Walpole, Three Belles Collective: Oliver Sheehan, TJ's IGA: Ned Bramwell.

Reserves:

Nathalia 2.2.14 vs Tongala 13.9.87

S. Morris, C. Dietrich 1

The Queen's Birthday Weekend clash between the undermanned Nathalia Reserves and top of the ladder and undefeated Tongala Side, should have been a very one sided match with Tongala heavy favourites to win. The effort from the Purps backline was outstanding all day with Aiden Lindsay working overtime and playing a career best game at full Back. He was heavily supported by Byron Woods, David Sullivan and Matt Carrol out of the centre also

working overtime all day around the ground. The efforts shown by the Purps would see the undefeated Tongala side only kick 2 goals in just over two quarters of football as the undermanned Purps would take the challenge up to Tongala all day. But with lack of number the Purps were unable to sustain the work load and Tongala would take the win on the day. The Team effort was outstanding all game and with that effort the Purps look forward to taking on Rumbulara next week at home. GO PURPS

Awards: Limbrick Accounting: Aiden Lindsay, Mick Hogan Excavations: Byron Woods, Mick's Pizza: Dan Sullivan, Bell's Water Cartage: Matt Carroll, Three Belles Pizza: Nathan McKenna, Brereton's Bakery: Jade Skinner.

Seniors: Nathalia 10.9.69 vs Tongala 7.3.45

G. Boyd 4, A. Hicks 2, C. Brown, A. Quinn, B. Bell, L. Evans 1

Coming off two good victories we took on premierships contender, Tongala, with the hope of overturning a sizable first round defeat. The big crowd was not disappointed as the Purples saluted with a brave 24 point victory.

We got off to a great start, kicking five first quarter goals to lead by 19 points at the first change. Powerful big man Brodie Ross was dominating the hit outs and our fleet footed runners were causing Tony some grief. Alex Hicks and Liam Evans were dangerous up forward, whilst Jackson Farrell and Will Sheehan were explosive out of defence.

The second quarter developed into an arm wrestle with only one goal each scored, but we maintained our 19 point margin at the long break, thanks to great pressure from our midfield group in Ben Armstrong, Chris Brown and Clancy Congues.

Tony hit back in the third quarter to edge closer, but we came out full of energy in the last term to dominate the scoreboard and run out victorious. Veteran, Glen Boyd stood tall to kick three important last quarter goals, and fellow veteran Drew Barnes was once again inspirational with his attack on the ball. Our

midfield runners, Bailey Bell, Tom Nihill and Kai Lundberg, hit their straps in the last quarter to continually drive the ball forward.

In a team effort, better players for the Purps were, ruckman Ross, effervescent Clancy Congues, Alex Hicks, Drew Barnes, Bailey Bell, Jackson Farrell and young defender Jake Brown who continues to develop into a fine senior footballer.

The only sour note, on what was a brilliant day was the serious knee injury suffered by Vice Captain and key player Alex Hicks.

Awards: Ryan Meat Co: Clancy Congues, Bourke Group: Jackson Farrell, Liddell Group-Delcorp: Jake Brown, Brereton's Bakery: Bailey Bell, Past Players: Brodie Ross.

11 & Under: Great game. They all played well in versatile positions. They are working the ball well as a team. Keep up the good work girls.

Awards: BOC Past Players: Isla Butler, TJ's IGA: Kiera Liddell, Nathalia Bendigo Bank: Ava Bourke, Nathalia Community Early Learning Centre: Aroha Kautai.

13 & Under: Nathalia 8 vs Tongala 27

Played well for four quarters. Strong defensive pressure all game. Starting to pull your game together. Keep going. Well done.

Awards: BOC Nathalia Bendigo Bank: Charlotte Whyte, Shepparton Marketplace Subway: Matilda Waser, TJ's IGA: Georgia Cavallaro.

17 & Under: Nathalia 18 vs Tongala 82

Sickness and injury still having an impact on our numbers but the girls were still able to give it their all against the tough side in Tongala. Better luck next time girls, lets bring on this week's game. **Awards:** BOC Barmah Pub: Ebony James, Sportfirst Numurkah: Emily Bell, Nathalia Bendigo Bank: Kiaya Cornell.

C Reserve: Nathalia 16 vs Tongala 35

Good effort this girls! **Awards:** BOC Limo's Home Hardware: Georgia Hansford, Three Belles Coffee & Cake: Laura Booth, Brereton's Bakery: Zali Cornell.

C Grade: Nathalia 27 vs Tongala 34

Great work girls! Keep up the good work. **Awards:** BOC Nathalia IGA: Caitlin Boschetti, Mick's Pizza: Alysha Cornell, Nathalia Hair & Beauty: Dana McDonald.

B Grade: Nathalia 32 Tongala 34

Great game by all. We started well and when they came at us we stood up and tried harder. Well done girls! **Awards:** BOC Gagliardi & Scott Real Estate: Jessi Hicks, Stuart Bell: Alysia Oakes, Casual Step: Michaela Duncan.

A Grade: Nathalia 36 vs Tongala 36

Tough game, the momentum shifted a number of times throughout, we found ourselves behind at stages and did well to fight back.

Awards: BOC K Roc Seed Cleaning: Caitlin McLachlan, North Victorian Bait Co: Emma McDonald, Milking It Café: Lisa Kellow.



The Nathalia NetSetGO group were able demonstrate their skills in a friendly game with Tongala last Saturday.

Round 11 Picola United v Tungamah



After a weekend off to refresh the bodies, we were set to head across to Tungamah to take on Bears where a freezing cold winters day awaited us. All teams put up a fight against a very strong Tungamah. This weekend we look forward to taking on our old rivals Waaia. Go Blues!

~ President Clinton

Under 14's:

Picola: 2.0-12 v Tungamah: 11.19-85

Goal: J. Burns

The boys played a great game against top side Tungamah. With low numbers again the team pulled together and were able to kick two goals. A great team effort by all players. **Awards:** Power Livestock Trophy B.O.G/Picola Hay Supplies: Ryan Caldwell, Barmah Roadhouse Voucher: Lachie Moor, Barmah Social Club Canteen Voucher: Josh Burns, Intersport Echuca Voucher: Raudian Bray

Under 17's:

Picola: 2.6-18 v Tungamah: 12.10-82

Goals: T. Webber

The thirds had a big task last week playing a good Tungamah side at there home ground. The conditions were very cold and it took our boys a bit to get going with Tungamah hitting the scoreboard early. In the second quarter we put Tanner Webber into the midfield and he showed some spark straight away getting the ball forward. Some inaccurate kicking saw our chances to stay in the game fade slowly but all the players never stopped fighting especially Bailey Plattfuss and Logan Daniel in the midfield. A solid effort that didn't reflect on the scoreboard. **Awards:** Dove motors Mug/Lubke Engineering \$10: Bailey Plattfuss, Barmah Roadhouse Voucher: Logan Daniel, Barmah Social Club Canteen Voucher: Tanner Webber, Intersport Echuca Voucher: Stevie Atkinson.

Reserves: Picola: 1.0-6 v Tungamah: 14.19-103

Goals: C. McKenzie

The return from the bye was met with the hike to Tungamah to tackle the in-form Bears. We were a little tighter for numbers and it was thanks to the additions of our four thirds lads that made the game possible. Hayden Brown started the game strong with great presence in the midfield providing strength at the contest. Tungamah jumped out of the blocks with great skill and speed on the ball to score 5 goals to zip in the first, we were able to adjust at quarter time to stem the flow with great play in the midfield and a slight change in approach to controlling the ball and chipping through the middle. Taylor Maroney was a catalyst in the middle with his determination and intent, allowing his pace to capitalise. We were able to hold the Bears to just two goals in the second and third terms. Darcy Maloney and Dylan Cunningham were terrific all day in defence, allowing transition and control to occur against the many forward drives coming in. Thirds players Zac McKenzie, Corey Legge, Jake Underwood and Will Dargan were awesome and showed us how to play in instances. Dan



Picola Utd's Taj Elliott (Reserves) against Tungamah



Well done to Jason Beckett who will play his 100th club game this Saturday against Waaia.



Picola United C Reserve defensive duet Lee Elliott and Carla Teasdale ~ Photos courtesy Michelle Legge

Atkinson had his usual tricks and speed when needed to give us a chance at scoring and Chuck McKenzie and Knighta Holyman combined for a fantastic team goal in the last. Keep

Awards: Fertgrain Mug: Hayden Brown, Brereton's Bakery Voucher: Taj Elliot, Work locker: Darcy Maloney, Peter Limbrick Accounting: Dan Atkinson.

Seniors: Picola: 2.6-18 v Tungamah 15.21-111

Goals: C. Haub, B. Jorgensen

A very wintery day awaited Picola at Tungamah last Saturday. Despite two late changes to the team the boys attitude and preparedness was exactly where we needed it to be. Jai Morrison was again focused and determined down back and led the back 6 very well. Connor Langley was presenting a dangerous target up forward and is so close to absolutely breaking a game apart. Tress (Matt Hore) never gave up all game and held his own in the ruck. Our response after half time was extremely pleasing to see and we will look forward to taking that into our next game. Dazz Hindle played a selfless running game and did a great job of reminding the forwards to be forward. Having been consistent but failing to worry the scoreboard our focus in the 4th quarter was around scoring and celebrating. We had plenty of opportunities in the last with Blake Jorg's snap from the boundary being an absolute pearler. We look forward to the old rivals, Waaia, this weekend! **Awards:** DMH Plumbing Mug & Barmah Hotel Voucher: Jai Morrison, Brereton's Bakery Voucher: Ben Turpin, Blake St

Butcher Voucher: Sean Solar, Mitre 10 Nathalia: Connor Langley

Minis: Good effort by all players against a very tall and experienced Tungamah side. Best on went to Eva for her outstanding game in defence! And for second best we couldn't pick between Jess and Mia so they both were awarded second bests for all their hard work in both defence and through the mid court!

Awards: Barmah Social Club Canteen Voucher: Mia McCabe Jackson & Jess Bray,

Intersport Echuca: Eva Watson.

13 & Under Picola: 3 vs Tungamah: 21

Well done in last weekend's game.

Awards: Baxter Family Medallion: Sienna Jorgensen, Barmah Social Club Canteen Voucher: Taneesha Atkinson.

15 & Under Picola: 18 vs Tungamah: 23

Great game girls. Our defensive pressure all the way down the court was super strong all 4 quarters. Unlucky that we didn't get the win but we played a really good game. **Awards:** Power Livestock: Molly Sheahan, Intersport Echuca: Indiana McCabe Jackson.

17 & Under: Picola: 16 vs Tungamah: 32

Great defensive pressure for the game. Our defenders all gelled together and made it tough for their goalers. We just need to make sure we are playing the full 15 minutes of each quarter. **Awards:** Birch Earth Moving: Mikaela Daniel, Intersport Echuca: Natasha Morgan.

C Reserve: Picola: 24 vs Tungamah: 38

Tough game girls, but in saying that there were some really good patches of play! We welcomed Jess back into the side after her time on the side lines with an ankle injury, but unfortunately we lost Cass early in the first quarter with a calf injury, we wish Cass all the best with her recovery. **Awards:** Nathalia Hair and Beauty: Anna Brooks, PUFNC Club Dinner: Carla Teasdale.

C Grade: Picola: 18 vs Tungamah: 38

Tough luck girls, lots for us to work on! We have great defensive pressure over the court and are working hard all over! Let's keep training and trying to improve. **Awards:** Brereton's Bakery Voucher: Hollie Dietrich, PUFNC Club Dinner: Amanda Diaco.

B Grade: Picola: 26 vs Tungamah: 42

So many positives to take away from the game. Our defensive pressure was outstanding all game with many turnovers. Great effort girls.

Awards: Scrumdiddlyumcious Catering: Dani Manhacke, Casual Step: Matilda Shannon.

A Grade: Picola: 30 vs Tungamah: 45

The girls showcased a beautiful first half. We saw some great movement in the goal ring with excellent passing in from our wings. **Awards:** Nathalia Post Office: Demi Morrison, Brereton's Bakery: Emma Greaves.

Round 11 Waaia v Blighty



Goals: B. Carey 5, R. Bell 3, A. Shelton 3, B. Harris 3, C. Walpole 3, J. Clarke 2, A. Carmody, L. Gittens, R.

Under 11's: A cold morning for the Bombers against the Redeyes. A very good game despite having a few out. Everyone pushed out a strong six quarters applying pressure the whole way down the court and getting lots of turnovers. Billie played great in defence, with amazing hands over pressure and getting heaps of turnovers. Macie had a great game, playing in shooter, a position she hasn't played much this year. She had perfect position in the goal ring and her leads were perfect.
Awards: *WFNC Canteen:* Billie, *WFNC Cash:* Macie.

Under 13's: won 23-7
The girls played a really good team game last weekend with lots of encouragement and backup throughout the whole game. It was really good to see the hunger for the ball, chasing it with every opportunity as well as getting multiple intercepts in both attacking and defensive ends. Keep up the hard work girls and lets continue to incorporate what we practice at training into our game play. **Awards:** *WFNC Cash:* Pip, *WFNC Canteen:* Willow.

Under 15's: won 24-13
Last week our girls really honed in on a few key strategies and were able to see the effect that had on the game as well as their team mates. Some great improvements and the positivity is electrifying! **Awards:** *Sportsfirst:* Laura Bergamin, *WFNC Canteen:* Shaylee Dietrich.

Under 17's won 49-30
A much more consistent game last week, starting strong and playing out a great game. The defensive pressure all over the court provided plenty of turnovers and held balls which the attack rewarded with great movement down the court and into the goalers who shot well. A great team game with everyone working hard and supporting each other out on the court. **Awards:** *Sportsfirst Numurkah:* Hayley Coonan, *Telegraph Hotel:* Holly Boyd.

C Reserve no game
C Grade won 55-7
A good improvement last week compared to the week prior. The girls took on the plays from training and implemented them into our game which rewarded us with some great passages of play. Still have things to work on but great team game with encouragement on and off the court, which was amazing to see. **Awards:** *WFNC Cash:* Zena Williams, *Vive Hair and Beauty:* Ange Bergamin.

B Grade won 71-7
A brilliant game by our B graders. It was such a fun game, making it enjoyable for both players and spectators. The play flowed smoothly from defence to attack. Thank you to U17 girls Chocco and Holly for filling in for us. You both slotted into our team beautifully! Everyone should be proud of their efforts. **Awards:** *WFNC Cash:* Ange Thorne, *Casual Step:* Summa Trimby

A Grade won 62-27
The Bombers began their Saturday campaign with a slow first quarter whilst

Blighty came out firing. Matching their energy in the second, the Bombers regained their sense of self and alleviated stress on the scoreboard which resulted in a 35 goal victory. Chelsey Thorne dominated in defence as she consistently strategized causing an unsettled opposition. Milly Foster staged an unstoppable and intimidating three feet defence resulting in a number of turnovers and held balls. Helen Williams stepped up to the challenge and was ever so reliable within the ring as her unpredictability could not be matched. The Bombers head back to the drawing board to continue those one percenters.

Awards: *WFNC Cash:* Chelsey Thorne *Telegraph Hotel:* Milly Foster *Club Award:* Helen Williams
Seniors: Waaia 34.17-221 def Blighty 6.4-40
Goals: C. Burrows 10, R. Osborne 8, L. Wright 4, A. Brooks 2, A. Thompson 2, J. Clarke 2, L. Henderson, J. Trower, H. Walker, B. Coates, S. Trower, S. Greenway

Waaia seniors hosted the Blighty Redeyes to the Hangar for round 11. The bombers started in fine form with Rob Osborne welcomed into the side for his first senior game since coaching back in 2016. Both Rob and Charlie Burrows were in fine form in front of the sticks helping the bombers land 11 goals in the first term. Mark Bergamin was working his way into the ruck a job he toiled well for all day. The midfield brigade of Jesse Trower, Ashley Thompson and Jaiden Clarke were supplying great use to the forwards. The second quarter saw another 10 goals added to the total. In the second half the bombers extended there lead with another 15 goals added to the scoreboard. Charlie Burrows booted 10 and Rob Osborne 8 in a great forward display. Tim Belford owned the runways, Jesse, Thommo and Clarke all had the ball on a string collecting many possessions in a great win for the bombers. **Awards:** *Gagliardi Scott Real Estate:* Jesse Trower, *Bendigo Bank / Waaia Hotel:* Rob Osborne, *GJ Gardner & Telegraph Hotel:* Mark Bergamin, *M O'Dwyer Most Determined:* Brayden Coates, *GV Steel Supplies:* Sam Trower, *Northern Victorian Livestock:* Harvey Walker.

Reserves: Waaia 23.17-155 def Blighty 0.0-0



Waaia A Grader Chelsey Thorne v Blighty last Saturday. ~ photo courtesy Janet Brooks

Bradbury, S. Boswell
Waaia took on Blighty at home last week and came out swinging, scoring 10.8 to Blighty's 0.0 at half time. Ryan Bell was a consistent presence in the forward line earning himself BOG, Robbie Bradbury worked hard in the centre helping on-ballers Mason Sprunt and Ash Carmody. Brayden Carey was top goal scorer for the day, contributing 5 goals to the Bombers impressive 23 goal win over Blighty.

Awards: *Waaia Hotel:* Ryan Bell, *Graincorp / Telegraph Hotel:* Ash Carmody, *Mick Hogan Excavations:* Mason Sprunt, *D Botterill Construction:* Robbie Bradbury, *Madigan Fresh Produce:* Brayden Carey.

Under 17's: Waaia 6.3-39 def by Blighty 13.4-82
Awards: *Rex James Stockfeed:* Will Trower, *Sprunts Livestock:* Regan Collins, *Jott Farms:* Isaac Chandler, *Murray Valley Rural & Plumbing:* Tom Daniel, *Carey Fabrications:* Mason Minotti, *Michel's Landscaping / Waaia Canteen:* Zac Cason.

Under 14's: Waaia 3.4-22 def by Blighty 6.6-42
Goals: A. Lawson 3, H. Knox 2, J. Bullivant
Waaia battled hard against Blighty at home on the weekend. Winning the centre clearances and having most of the play still wasn't enough to overcome Blighty with the final scores 3.4-22 to 6.6-42. The Midfield worked well with Oscar Buckland, Kaleb Gilmour, Ollie Ruscoe and Hughie Stammers all getting in the best, but the standout player was young Javier Meyland, as he showed great confidence in the forward line and contributed to the score board with a very nice roving goal. Tom Walker worked hard in the forward line but with Blake Fairless injured the forwards lacked the tall timber to be able to make the most of their opportunities. **Awards:** *Numurkah Truck Repairs:* Javier Meyland, *Sportfirst Numurkah:* Kaleb Gilmour, *Mamore Lamb:* Oscar Buckland, *Bells Water Cartage:* Ollie Ruscoe, *Tyndall Excavation / Waaia Canteen:* Hughie Stammers.



Congratulations to Tommy Daniel on his first game as Sub in the seniors last Saturday. Presented his jumper by club life member and 300 game player David Gilmour.

200 A Grade Games for Lisa!

Lisa Kellow (Barnes) 200th A Grade game comes with a sense of pride and passion, for not only herself, but also to the many that have coached her, played alongside of her and to the many who have watched her over the years.

Lisa commenced her netball career at the Purps under the guidance of Leanne Butler. Her natural netball instincts and athleticism were on show from the start. We are unsure if these talents came genetically or from growing up amongst 3 brothers where Lisa had to learn the skills very quickly of how to play ball smarter not harder.

Lisa's accolades are endless including six A-Grade Best & Fairest with 5 of them being consecutive. She made her A-Grade debut in 2006 after winning B-Grade B&F 2005. Lisa's netball highlight is being a part of the 2007 A-Grade premiership under the guidance of Tracey Brereton, where they came away with not only the medal but with lifelong



friendships.

Following this Lisa spread her wings making the move into the GVL netball playing for the Bears and then Kyabram.

Her love for the club drew her back to the Purps and Lisa returned with more determination to represent her club as a player and leader. Lisa's presence on the court is noticed by all opposing teams, her dynamic defensive skills a key to her game and makes her a sought-after player. She has represented the Murray Football Netball League at interleague level for many years and continues to wear her league apparel with pride.

Lisa is a fantastic contributor to the Purps putting her hand up for any job going around, such as taking on the umpire coordinator job this season. Lisa fiercely determined, a competitive beast but



Nathalia Indoor Bowls Report

Thursday 2nd June: Nathalia played Numurkah Town at Nathalia. Nathalia won over all by 23 shots and gained 8 points to Numurkah's 2 points.

Fay Hutchins(s), Ian Bolton and Brian Hutchins lost to Don Staggard(s), Paul Rees and A. Milkias 17 shots to 23 shots.

Bev Hutchins(s), Berris Baldwin and Ashley Hutchins defeated Neil Barnes(s), Jenny Stuart and Andrew Moffett 40 shots to 11 shots.

Thursday 9th June: Nathalia played Strathmerton at Strathmerton.

Nathalia won on both mats and received 10 points, winning over all by 14 shots.

Fay Hutchins(s), Ian Bolton and Brian Hutchins defeated Les Chandler(s), Heather McCoy and Aaron Wallace 25 shots to 16 shots.

Bev Hutchins (s), Berris Baldwin and Ashley Hutchins defeated Tom Haynes(s), Margaret Young and Colleen North 21 shots to 16 shots. Well done to the Nathalia team.

most of all she is the heart and soul of this netball club. She exhibits all the qualities we promote at the Purps - she's inclusive, friendly, fair and an effective leader.

We thank her for her contribution to our club and the legacy she has embedded so far! Congratulations on your 200th A-Grade game Lisa.

Nathalia FNC invites the Community to a Day of Cultural Celebration

In conjunction with Rumbalara Football/Netball Club, Nathalia Football and Netball Club are conducting a day of Cultural Celebration and Recognition. The day of cultural celebration acknowledges and recognizes the many aboriginal people who have contributed to sport in our region as well as acknowledging the traditional custodians of the land on which we play, the Yorta Yorta nations.

We also come together to acknowledge the strong connection between our two clubs, dating back to times when Cummeragunja Football Club and Nathalia FC were local friends and on field rivals. Throughout time many footballers from Cummeragunja played for Nathalia and we continue to hold a strong link and friendship together.

We celebrate the day as two communities coming together, to share stories and recognize the common threads we share in our history. Local Yorta Yorta artist Suzanne Atkinson's artwork, 'Unison', has been transformed into culturally inspired jumpers and dresses to be worn by Nathalia FNC on the day. The artwork signifies the many prominent landmarks from our local area, including the river, sand hills, the bush and the Yorta Yorta people's totem, the long neck turtle.



Pictured: Seniors coach Malcolm Barnes and A grade netballer Stacey Ross in the culturally inspired dress and jumper designed by Suzanne Atkinson.

Prior to the senior match, at approximately 1.50pm, Senior footballers, A and C Grade Netballers, along with umpires and officials will gather for a smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country, whilst the half time break will see, ASHE (Academy of Sport Health and Education) facilitate indigenous games for primary aged children.

We invite all members of our communities to embrace the day and continue to work towards a strong future together.



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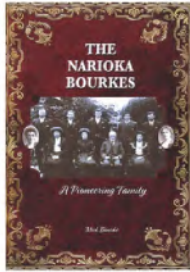
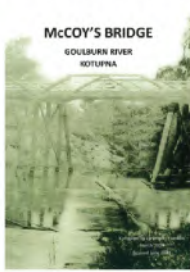
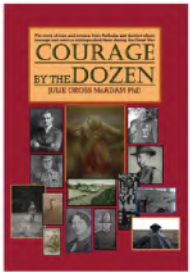
**This Saturday's Match 18th June
ROUND 11
NATHALIA vs RUMBALARA
Will now be held at Nathalia.
This has been swapped with Round 18
now to be played at Rumbalara.**

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Nathalia Barmah Business & Tourism

NBBT Inc. is a not-for-profit community organisation focused on supporting businesses and organisations, with special events, community projects and a dynamic digital platform. The following positions urgently require enthusiastic community minded individuals willing to be part of a dynamic growing community, remuneration will be provided.



People for these positions are urgently required.

All training provided.

Be part of an awesome community and become an inspired leader.

Gift Shop & Display Manager

Assist with the NBBT Gift Shop and displays at the Barmah Forest Heritage & Education Centre, (BFHEC). NBBT has ordered a 3m Red Gum table from a local manufacturer which can be used within this "community space" for temporary displays, product displays and tasting, book launches etc.



Web Content Manager

Assist with promoting and improving the NBBT Digital Platform at www.nbbt.org.au, all necessary training will be provided.

Event Manager

Assist with the organisation of the Easter Market, Christmas Market and New Years Eve Carnival. The NYE Carnival is without a committee and the Event Manager will need to put together a small group of volunteers for this event to continue.

Project Manager

Assist with grant applications, obtaining quotes and coordinating contractors for small infrastructure projects based on community needs

Your CV will certainly stand out, for detailed information contact Roland on 0428 693 217 or email info@nbbt.org.au