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Nathalia Agricultural Show Goes Online

Due to having to cancel the Nathalia Agricultural Show for the second year in a row, a number of online competitions were organised by the Nathalia Agricultural Show Society. Pictured are Ollie Fitzpatrick and Michelle Gorman's winning entries. More winning entries are pictured on pages 14 and 15.



Pictured above: 1st place in Breakfast Tray for 1, open section was won by Michelle Gorman.

Pictured left: Ollie Fitzpatrick took out 1st place in the Lego model competition for 12 & under.

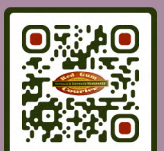
Nathalia U3A visit Yackatoon Gardens



*Nathalia's U3A Group recently visited the beautiful Yackatoon Gardens in Coomboona.
More information and pictures on page 16. Photos by Judy Ormond*

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For the last 7 years we have been slowly growing and growing and growing and with the success of our online store and finally finding a suitable new space in Nathalia, we decided to expand. We now live at 52 Elizabeth St or www.casualstep.com.au

WHAT IS BLAKE STREET TRADING?

For the minute we are clearing out some old stock at heavily reduced prices. Watch close, over the next couple of weeks we will reveal our new look. Some things will change and lots of things will stay the same.

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Community Update

Special Rates and Charges – have your say

We want to hear your thoughts on our draft Special Rates and Charges Policy. The purpose of this draft policy is to implement and administer a special rate or charge for projects or infrastructure developments. Where infrastructure improvements provide special benefits to adjoining properties, a Special Rate and Charge Scheme may be explored to share the costs. Feedback closes Wednesday 20 October. For more information, to read the draft policy or to have your say go to our website.

Community Strengthening Grants – don't miss your chance to apply

Don't miss your chance to apply for a Community Strengthening Grant to help with an event or improve facilities or services for your local community. Grants up to \$10,000 are available for arts and culture; community events; health promotion; and environmental sustainability. Got to our website to apply.



Art Hub Logo Design Competition

Calling all Graphic Designers! The four new arts hubs in Moira Shire seek a clever attractive logo. There will be a \$3,000 award for the winning design. This creative logo will represent the network of four arts hubs. Your initial concept and sketch are due **15 October 2021**. Go to our website for all the details.



Seniors Week – send us your stories

This week we are celebrating the successes our senior citizens bring to our community. We have collected stories from a selection of prominent seniors in our region, but we also want to hear from you – tell us your stories and send us a pic or two. In addition, there are some fantastic online programs the Victorian Government has put together. To read the stories from some of our senior citizens, to share your story or to see the range of activities and online events go to our website.



Let's get vaccinated – join the race

Mayors and CEOs on both sides of the border are coming together to share a simple message – let's do this, let's get vaccinated. The councils of Moira, Federation, Berrigan and Indigo are in a race to see who can reach that 80% double vaccination goal the quickest. For vaccination information and bookings phone NCN Health direct on 5871 0950 or the Coronavirus hotline on 1800 675 398. To book a test, call the following number –

- Nathalia **5866 9444**
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Both the test and vaccination are free. Stay safe and don't forget your mask!



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To report service issues and emergencies after hours call (03) 5871 9222.

Bendigo Bank 2021 Nathalia Community Grants Program

The 2021 Nathalia Community Grants Program is now open for all Nathalia & district community groups from Friday 1st October, 2021 and close Friday 29th October 2021 (refer to coloured advertisement).

The Nathalia Community Grants Program is administered by Community Enterprise Foundation and made possible by the Community Bank Nathalia.

Nathalia 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 District.

To be considered, each application must include the following supporting documentation"

Financials

- Current Audited Financial Statements for the applicant organisation and Project Partner (where applicable)
- If your organisation is not required to audit your financials please provide a profit and loss statement as a minimum and a balance sheets if available. Please also include a current bank statement.

Quotes

- Quotes are required for all budget items.
- If you have conducted this project/program before copies of receipts/invoices that substantiate this request from previous expenditure may be acceptable together with a detailed budget.

Project Budget

Please ensure that your budget and/or supporting documentation clearly shows how the funds requested will be spent.

State Government Entities are encouraged to call the Foundation before submitting an application. There are some requirements that will apply.

To commence your application log onto this site:

www.bendigobank.com.au/foundation

This is an online process only.

Select the Nathalia Community Grants Program

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Waaia/Bearii/Katunga/Yalca/Yielima/Strathy: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
\$4 Delivery fee, Minimum spend \$40, Orders placed by 8am for delivery 10am-1pm
Barmah/Picola/Picola West: Tuesday & Thursday
\$4 Delivery fee, Minimum spend \$40, Orders placed by 10am for delivery 3-6pm

Click and Collect:
\$2 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-7pm



Moira Messages

Have your say on Special Rates and Charges Policy

Moira Shire Council is inviting the community to provide feedback on a draft Special Rates and Charges Policy.

Mayor Libro Mustica said the purpose of this draft policy was to implement and administer a special rate or special charge for projects or infrastructure developments including footpaths, shared pedestrian/bicycle paths, urban drainage, roads, off street carparks, and streetscape upgrades.

“We recognise Council does not have the financial resources to fully fund the upgrade of all existing infrastructure to current standards,” Cr Mustica said.

“Where infrastructure improvements provide special benefits to abutting properties, a Special Rate and Charge Scheme may be explored to share the costs.

“These benefits can include improvements in amenity, access, safety or economic benefits.”

Cr Mustica said if a special rate or special charge scheme did not proceed due to lack of support during the initial assessment stage, or was discontinued as a result of objections or appeal, then the project or work would not be re-investigated for two years unless circumstances changed significantly.

“The main changes in the draft Special Rates and Charges Policy from

Council’s current policy include an expanded purpose; the process to initiate and develop a scheme; a listing of cost apportionment principles; the option for a charge to be per parcel or property; set a non-response to any survey as a ‘do not support’ vote; the scheme length will be based on the total debt; and simplified beneficiary principles,” he said.

“You can post your feedback to PO Box 578 Cobram 3643, send us an email at info@moira.vic.gov.au or go to our website and complete the form online.

“Feedback closes Wednesday 20 October and I encourage everyone to read the draft policy and have their say on this important document.”

Cat desexing program funding

Moira Shire Council will receive \$20,000 from the Victorian Government’s Pet Desexing Program to assist in desexing cats owned by disadvantaged members of the community.

Mayor Libro Mustica said this grant would ensure Moira Shire’s most vulnerable pet owners could access this service for their pets.

“This will help limit the numbers of unwanted cats,” Cr Mustica said.

When this program began in August 2020, Council has issued more than 170 vouchers for desexing which has resulted in 152 cats being desexed.

“There is still a steady demand for this program and in the recent Domestic Animal Management Plan consultation, feedback suggested strong community support for this desexing program to continue.

“This funding will not only provide critical desexing services, it will also improve animal welfare outcomes for our much-loved pets.”

To find out more about this program please call our friendly Customer Experience team on 5871 9222.

GVW helps set a new standard to beat sewer blockages

Goulburn Valley Water has welcomed the release of a draft international and Australian first standard to help prevent sewer blockages.

The new national standard will mean products are clearly labelled as to whether they can or cannot be flushed, and manufacturers will have specifications to test whether products are suitable for toilet flushing and sewer networks.

In a joint partnership with industry body Water Industry Operators Association, GVW has been part of the national technical working group, which consists of water utilities, peak industry bodies and manufacturers. The number of blockages in GVW’s sewer network has decreased slightly this year compared to spikes in 2020 during lockdowns, but numbers are still higher compared to previous years. In August there were 43 blockages, while June and July recorded 50 and 58 respectively.

Sewer blockages can occur for a number of reasons, but the majority are caused by unflushable items like wet wipes and sanitary items that are flushed down the toilet and either get caught in pump stations, or mix with fats and oils tipped down the sink to create giant ‘fatberg’

blockages.

Goulburn Valley Water runs an educational program called Don’t Flush It, which aims to raise awareness around why it’s important to only flush the 3Ps – pee, poo and paper.

GVW Managing Director Steve Capewell said sewer blockages caused by wet wipes and other unflushable items were a significant concern for water utilities nationally.

“The draft standard is a welcome step forward to help reduce the number of preventable sewer blockages we see every year,” Dr Capewell said.

“We spend tens of thousands of dollars each year removing blockages of tonnes of tangled wet wipes from inside sewer pump stations and sewer mains, so reducing that will mean our maintenance teams can focus on other tasks, instead of responding to preventable blockages.

“Blockages aren’t just an issue for us though – unflushable items like wet wipes can cause blockages in your home’s internal plumbing, which can be costly for you as well.”

People are encouraged to provide feedback by November 1 through the Standards Australia website at

www.standards.org.au/news/flushable-products-colon-public-commenting-stage



MEALS ON WHEELS

8th to 21st October

October

Friday 8th	Sue Lowe
Monday 11th	St Mary Of The Angels
Tuesday 12th	Kevin & Nina Pell
Wednesday 13th	Pauline Westley & Peter Weatherhead
Thursday 14th	Heather Frostick
Friday 15th	David & Cheryl McKenzie
Monday 18th	One School Nathalia
Tuesday 19th	Mary Agius
Wednesday 20th	Nathalia Primary School
Thursday 21st	Fay Hutchins

Jessie, Volunteer Co-ordinator - MHA Care
Phone 03 5742 1111



CHURCH TIMES

ST MARY’S CATHOLIC PARISH

Ph: 5866 2694

Nathalia MASS TIME 9am SUNDAYS

NATHALIA UNITING CHURCH

Margaret Cobbleddick Ph: 5866 2037

October 10th: 9.30am Streaming Service

October 17th: 8.00am Combined service at Holy Trinity Anglican Church

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Reverend Victor Adams, Ph 0403 918 927

October 10th: 8.00am Holy Communion

17 October: 8.00am Holy Communion, Uniting Church to visit

St Paul’s Wakiti Creek:

October 17th: October 17th 10.30am Morning Prayer

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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St Francis Primary School News



1. Ask 2. Listen 3. Encourage action 4. Check

really
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Ask them today

Grade 4
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NCN HEALTH NATHALIA



Vaccination of Health Care Workers

All NCN Health staff have overwhelmingly taken a positive approach to getting their COVID-19 vaccination. Up until recently COVID-19 vaccination has been voluntary for all staff. From mid-September the federal and state government made it mandatory for all residential aged care staff, volunteers and contractors who enter into aged care to have at least their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, with the second dose to be administered within 2 months. This includes; clinical staff, activities, administration, food, maintenance and environmental services staff and contractors. NCN Health are proud to have over 95% of staff who have met this mandatory requirement and assure the community that we are very

close to having all residential aged care staff vaccinated. Further to this, from October 15 all other Health Care Workers, contractors, volunteers and students will need to have received at least their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, or provide evidence they have an appointment to be vaccinated by November 1st to continue working. Health Care Workers include every person employed by NCN Health. Our vaccination rates for all staff are currently sitting between 90% - 100% and we are well on our way to meeting the October target. This is a fantastic achievement and demonstrates the commitment by all staff to keep ourselves, our residents, families and community safe. Thank you.

Accessing a COVID-19 Vaccine Locally

The Nathalia Medical Clinic offers the Astra Zeneca vaccine.
P: 5866 9494 to make an appointment.

Cobram Vaccination Clinic
The Cobram Vaccination Clinic visits NCN Health Nathalia every second Friday and runs a 'pop up' clinic offering Pfizer vaccines.
P: (03) 5871 0950,
OR the coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 and select Option 1, Option 1, Option 1
OR book online <https://portal.cvms.vic.gov.au/>

NCN Health urges anyone who has not yet been vaccinated to make an appointment:

- You are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine if you are aged 12 – 59 years
- You are eligible for the Astra Zeneca if you are aged 60 years and older, or 18 years and older in consultation with a health professional – for example, the doctor or nurse providing the vaccination.



Rotary News

Unfortunately...
Our social evening was a "non-event", and we did not meet up on 29th September. Not enough of us could attend, after all, so it was decided to cancel the planned evening. Such a phone call was made to Michelle at the Court House Hotel and also a booking for the following week, for our regular meeting, was made then. There will be more written about our October 6th meeting, next time.
For a change there is almost nothing to report, so I will include some items from the October Rotary magazine. Under a heading, *Did You Know?* are the following:
Rotarians in the United States make up 29 per cent of all Rotarians worldwide.
In 1968, the first Rotary club banner to orbit the moon was carried by astronaut Frank Borman, a member of the Houston Space Rotary Club.
Nauru, a tiny island country in Micronesia, northeast of Australia, has the least number of Rotarians of any country in the world, with only 11.
Our club's current membership is just 10, sadly. We are sure that we could do more in the community, and for the community, if there were more of us. We continue to seek new members and hope to succeed with our latest membership drive, this year. Over the years, the attendance rules have been greatly relaxed and not all meetings need to be attended. Some clubs hold weekly meetings, we meet fortnightly but not all members can attend these, at times. They may be present once a month, sometimes even less than that, depending on their circumstances and they are "kept in the loop" by the Bulletins that go to members after each meeting; the absent member/s know what happened at the missed meeting/s, from the pages of the Bulletins, and also can check what may be happening in the future, where we'll meet (Covid has caused some changes), and even how they may help: selling raffle tickets, helping at the respite house, cooking BBQs are a few examples.
I hope to report some good news re memberships in the not too distant future.
For now this is it. Pease, everyone, be safe and well and keep smiling...even if behind the latest fashion accessory.

Telcos Companies Must Be Held to Account

Federal Member for Nicholls, Damian Drum, is one on 17 Government MPs who have come together to support proposed legislation that will see telecommunications companies held to account for continued poor service in both regional and metropolitan areas.
Mr Drum said he was happy to support the Private Member's Bill from Federal Member for Berowra, Julian Leeser, after hearing story after story from Nicholls constituents who experience ongoing issues with their mobile service, or lack thereof.
"Stories about poor coverage and a lack of urgency in addressing issues by telco companies are far too frequent and, put simply, there just isn't enough accountability," Mr Drum said.
"I've always been a big believer that regional and rural residents should not be disadvantaged because they choose not to live in a city, but unfortunately mobile service is a clear example of where they are often treated as a second-class citizen.
"Not a week goes by where my office isn't contacted by a Nicholls resident needing help in getting their telecommunications problems addressed and resolved."
Proposed changes include:
A Universal Mobile Service Obligation: Australians, regardless of where they live, should be able to use a mobile phone to make a call or access the internet at either their home or workplace.
A Customer Service Guarantee will mean that no caller to a telco will be left on hold for more than five minutes. 'No service, No fee' provisions mean that anyone who is without service at their home or business for more six hours between 8am and 8pm over a month gets that month of service for free.
Mr Leeser said he prepared an exposure draft of the Bill following years of inaction by telcos to fix fundamental issues in his NSW electorate.
"Telecommunications is an essential service people rely on but for many people, the telco service is worse today than it was 20 years ago," Mr Leeser said.
"We've got kids studying who can't connect with teachers because their internet doesn't work, teachers are presenting online classes from the McDonalds carpark because they can't get reception at home.
"We've got people in life threatening situations who can't dial triple zero because they have no mobile reception. It's not good enough."

Caterpillar Corner



Who's in the mirror?

The younger children have been exploring the mirror and observing themselves as they move around in front of the mirrors. One child smiles, chats and laughs as they look into the mirror. Another child reached out and touched the mirror as they watch their reflection as it moved with them. And there was another child kept trying to give their reflection big kisses. Reflection of learning we see that these children are enjoying moments of solitude, express wonder and interest in the environment around them. Early Years Learning Framework outcome 3.1.6 enjoy moments of solitude and 4.1.1 express wonder and interest in their environments.

Link to theorist: this learning experience can be linked to Steiner's theories. He believes that children need free, creative play to develop their spirit bodies



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Museum Moments...

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

On looking through an old Nathalia Herald from July 1965 I found the following interesting article.....

"SHOPKEEPERS HAVE TO REMOVE VERANDAHS."

"Following a report by Nathalia shire engineer, Mr W. C. Shaw, on shop verandahs in Blake Street, several shop owners will be asked to take immediate action to remove verandahs, which are in a dangerous condition.

Mr Shaw was asked to make a detailed report of the shop verandahs and report back to the July meeting. Shops north of the bridge were not reported on because it was claimed that supporting posts would not be damaged by cars. However they will be watched for defects..... Council then agreed that the engineer's recommendations be adopted. Mr Shaw's findings following his inspection were.....

Court House Hotel - a wholly steel framed structure in sound and solid condition, posts are well set back and out of reach of most parking cars. No immediate action necessary.

Milledge & Hutchins - Work commenced on erection of cantilever verandah for the former and a permit has been issued for similar work on the latter, No action necessary.

Nathalia Hotel - Appears to be in fairly sound condition although one or two post showing signs of rotting. Post are liable to be hit by parking cars. Removal not urgent but suggest that conditions be watched.

Oakes' shops - Not in good state of repair. Front timbers badly weakened by rot, roofing iron not secure, no spouting or down pipes, posts liable to be hit by parking cars. Recommend that notice be given to remove as soon as possible.

Barton's shops - not in a very sound condition. Some front timbers affected by rot. Posts not anchored at base and six of these have been pushed in by parking cars causing a thrust which tends to pull the verandah away from the face of the building. If the remainder of the posts become similarly dislodged the effect of the thrust could become critical. Recommend that notice be given to remove within a reasonable time.

Estate of W. Ball (2 shops) - previous recommendation should be carried out without delay.

Barry's Stores - Comparatively new and in sound condition with a minimum of solid steel posts well recessed and outside the reach of parking cars. No action is necessary.

Barry's 2 end shops. - In fair condition although two posts showing signs of rot. No immediate action necessary although conditions should be watched as posts could be dislodged by parking cars.

Bridge Hotel - Appears to be in fairly sound condition. Posts have been damaged by parking cars in the past and similar damage could occur again at any time. No immediate action is necessary but owner could be warned to be prepared to carry out Council's policy at some future date.

Glannakopoulos Café - The verandah of this shop forms a portion of the one which also continues across the front of the next door shop. The café section of this continuous verandah is in fair condition although it is beginning to come away from the wall. I would not normally recommend the immediate removal of this section but as the portion extending across the next shop is due for removal, I suggest that both sections be demolished at the same time.

Milledge (D. Murray's) - This section of the above continuous verandah is in a poor state of repair. Two rafters are broken and could fall, and timbers on end are in a weak state. Recommend that notice be given for immediate removal.

Foley's - verandahs in reasonably sound condition. No immediate action necessary.

Keogh's Office - same as Foley's.

D. Crane (AML & F) - Posts weak and liable to be hit by parking cars. Verandah coming away from wall. Recommend notice for removal within a reasonable time.

Mrs Mawdesley's - Condition of verandah and recommendation same as for D. Crane's.

Lee's shop - posts in very bad shape. Timbers generally weak and verandah appears to be coming away from wall. Structure generally in poor condition. Recommend notice be given to remove immediately.

During my inspection I noticed what appeared to be defects in the parapet on the front of this shop and on making a detailed examination I found that the parapet had a lean of four inches towards the front, was loose and could be rocked by hand. The pull being exerted by four SEC service wires attached to the top right hand corner of the parapet were greatly adding to the risk of overturning. I consider conditions here are dangerous, especially under certain adverse weather conditions and I therefore immediately had the footpath cordoned off as a safeguard to the public. I recommend that the owner be given seven days in which to demolish this parapet.

Farthing's- In reasonably sound condition although roof is leaking which causes unsightliness rather than weakness. Posts which are rather slim for this type of verandah are liable to be hit by parking cars. Recommend that owner be warned to be prepared to carry out Council's policy."

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

Aussies Can Get Through ANYTHING! The Old Hat...



During the recent flood in a small town, a young girl was perched on top of a house with a young boy. They sat and watched as articles floated by in the water. At one point, they saw a large old hat go floating by. Suddenly, the hat turned around and came back. Just as quickly, it turned back around a third time, and went back downstream. The two children were mesmerized by this, and continued to watch as the old hat made some distance, then turned AGAIN heading back towards them. They watched in amazement as this mysterious occurrence continued several more times! "Are you seeing this?", said the young girl to her friend. "That old hat goes upstream, and then after, it comes back. Then it turns suddenly and goes back downstream again!!"

"Oh...THAT. It's just my dad." replied the boy. "This morning, my Mum told my dad, "Come hell or high water...you ARE mowing the lawn today!!"

Pre internet chat room using An old version of windows...



The Old Thing Arrives

The earthquake shifted things. What was stilled, woke.

In the breathing dark, by the Broken Creek, the Old Thing stirred.

It creased and crumpled itself, squeezing hard to pull free from the trunk of the ancient Yellow Box tree. As the rough bark cracked open, splintered strips rasped long brown fingers, grazed its sides. It nearly shrieked.

A last tug, a great heave, and it was free! Phlop! It fell down, almost without sound. Now, on the creek bank, on the thick shadowed earth, its bulky shape loomed, listened and watched.

Its heart beat was slow, still waking from the deep sleep of time, but the heart's thud grounds us all. It would be enough for it to move, to claim its place here, enough for it to be, to belong.

The above is inspired from the making of *The Book of Bush Learning*, soon to be published by the Red Gum Courier. Would you like to see your work published in the Red Gum Courier? Here's your chance. Choose one of the three options below. Provide your completed entry to the Red Gum Courier. An example of each option will be chosen and printed in the local paper.

Make sure you put your name on your



work, plus contact details.

Three options to choose from: Art Creative Writing Photography

Art - What does its whole body look like? Can you draw it?

Writing - What does it do, now it is free to roam here on the creek bank? Continue the story.

Photography - Photograph another creature-like shape in a tree trunk by the Broken Creek.

~ Lyn Loger

Where Do You Live?

E	R	A	N	O	R	T	H	D	A	R	B	E	F
H	L	R	E	W	O	P	F	N	R	O	I	L	R
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Birthdays, AFL Celebrations and more at Barwo:

Celebrating 3 very special birthdays in September has certainly kept our amazing girls in the kitchen busy as they whip up the residents' favourite cake for each of their days.

On Sunday 5th we all had fun making Dorothy's birthday memorable and then Wednesday 29th was a double birthday bash as both Dorrie and Rita celebrated their special days.

On Father's Day, Jack, Graeme, Barry and Morice were all presented with gifts to help celebrate the day and show appreciation.

AFL Grand Final day was enjoyed by all which included some yummy footy finger food. Residents had a selection of hamburgers, pies, sausage rolls, dim sims and saveloys. A footy tipping competition was held for the big match, with Annie winning with the closest margin.

To finish off the week, residents all devoured a delicious Sunday Roast Pork and enjoyed the afternoon watching a beautiful National Geographic Documentary while adjusting to daylight savings.



Above: Birthday girls: Dorothy, Dorrie & Rita.



National Geographic documentary afternoon.



Betty getting into the Grand Final spirit.



Broken Creek Drama

Hello Fresh

They said why don't you try **Hello Fresh**? It was great, they said. The meals were delicious and you had all the ingredients at your fingertips. And the best part was you never had to think too hard about what you were going to cook for dinner. You just clicked the recipes that you liked on the app and the food boxes turned up.

Jean tried **Hello Fresh** for three weeks. And then she was over it. So much work preparing each fancy meal with three different sauces for everything. And it was all demolished in ten minutes. And then so much washing up. The method used a bowl for this, a pan for this, a baking tray for ...*whatever!*

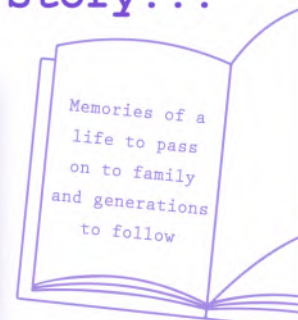
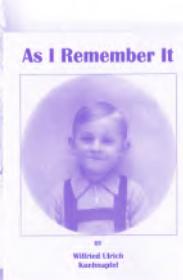
Wandering through the supermarket during lockdown, Jean was shocked when Kaye asked her for inspiration about what to cook for tea.

'You're asking the wrong person,' replied Jean, laughing. 'Tonight, we're having scrambled eggs, and all being well, I might buy a cooked chook for tomorrow night.' Kaye looked shocked.

Jean added, 'I've been trying to get the sack for years!'



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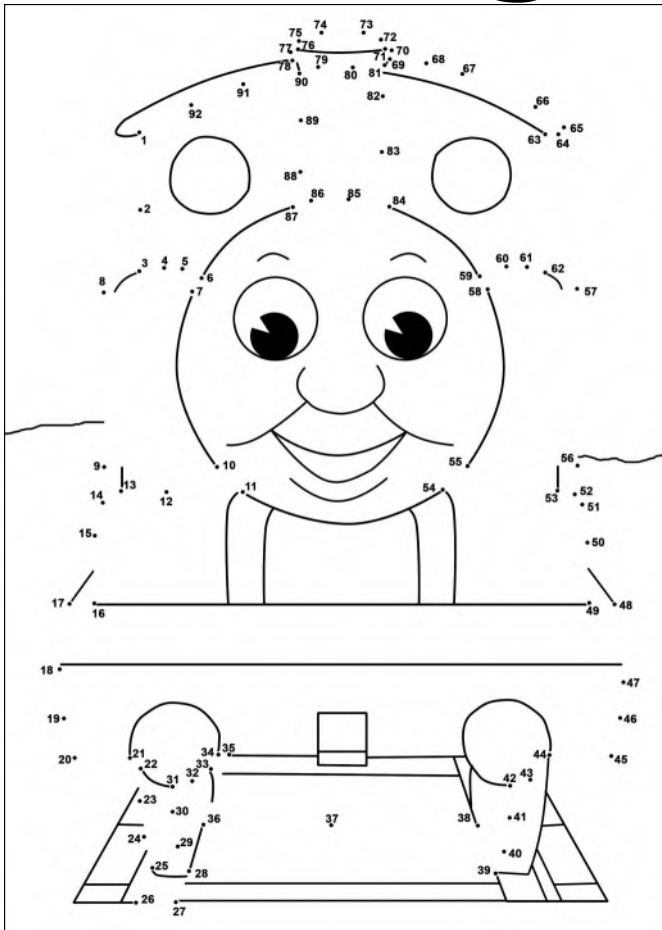


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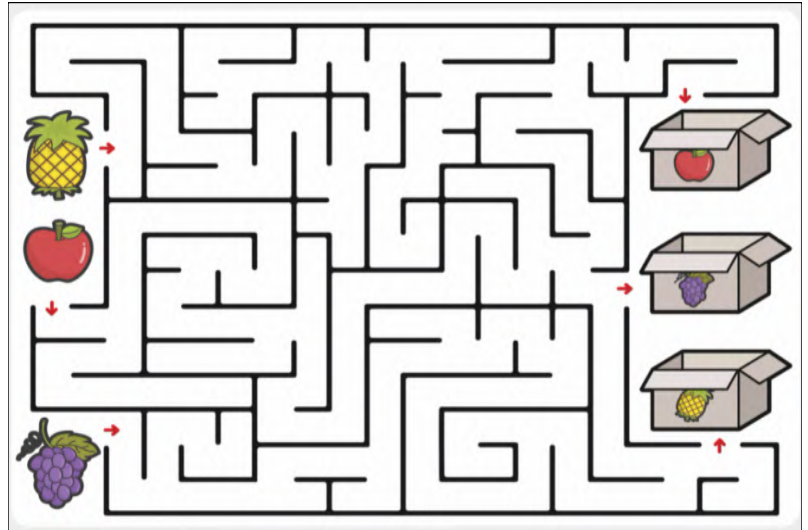


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Kids' Page



Can you spot the differences?



An old man Fishing

An older man was on his way back to his car when he was stopped by a game warden in somewhere in the Northern Algonquin Park with two buckets of fish after returning from a lake well known for its fishing.

The game warden asked the old man, "Do you have a license for catching those fish?"

The old man replied to the game warden, "No, sir. These are my pet fish."

"Your pet fish?!" the warden replied with a frown.

"Yes, sir. Every day in the evening I take my fish here to the lake so they can swim around for a while in open water. When it's time to go, I whistle and they come swimming back and jump back into their buckets, and then I take em back home."

"That's a bunch of BS! Fish would never do that!" replied the warden in total disbelief.

The old man looked at the game warden for a moment and then said, "You know what, I'll show you. My pet fish are very well trained."

"O.K. show me, I've GOT to see this!" The game warden was really curious now. The old man poured the fish into the lake and stood and waited there...

After several minutes had gone by, the game warden turned to the old man and said, "Well?"

"Well, what?" the old man responded.

"When are you going to whistle to call them back?" the game warden prompted.

"Call who back?" the old man asked.

"Your FISH," the warden said sternly.

"What fish?" the old man asked.

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Snakes Start to Slither Out This Spring

With the weather warming up, snakes are starting to emerge from their winter hibernation to bask in the sun and search for food and a mate.

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) Senior Wildlife Management Officer, Therese Davis said: "Spring weather has brought some snakes out of hibernation across Victoria.

"Snake species commonly found in North East Victoria include Tiger Snakes, Red-Bellied Black Snakes, Easter Brown Snakes and Copperhead Snakes.

"Most snake bites occur when people try to capture or kill a snake.

"Snakes can be known to bite animals, such as dogs, if they feel threatened. If your dog or cat encounters a snake, the best course of action is to remove your pet from the area or tie it up while the snake passes and if you suspect your pet has been bitten take it to a vet immediately.



Red-bellied black snake

"Snakes are generally very shy and prefer to keep away from people and often when a snake is found in a backyard it's because it's moving through the area to other habitat.

"Snakes are more common around the urban fringe or in rural parts of Victoria, but they can also be found close to cities and towns, particularly around watercourses and parkland.

"Whether you're exercising outdoors or gardening, please be aware that snakes may be around, and make sure you're informed about how to react to them if you encounter one," Ms Davis said. If you live in an area with snakes, please remember:

- When left alone, snakes present little or no danger to people.
- If you see a snake, keep calm and move yourself and anyone with you (including pets) away from the area.
- Don't attempt to capture or harm snakes. Instead call DELWP on 136 186 for further advice.
- Maintain lawns and clean up around your house, as snakes are attracted to shelter such as piles of rocks and timber, sheets of metal, and building materials.
- Undertake first aid training and ensure your first aid kit contains several compression bandages, and if someone is bitten, call 000 immediately. Snakes are protected under the *Wildlife Act 1975* and it is illegal to harm or kill them or capture them without authority. Reports of people wilfully destroying protected wildlife will be investigated by the Conservation Regulator.

60th Anniversary



Jack and Lorraine Robertson were married 60 years on 21st October 1961 at the Church of Christ in Bendigo.

They both came from Wedderburn and lived across the road from each other. They have three children, two boys and one girl, eight grand children and three great grand children.

They now live with their beautiful Staffy called Ellie.

Congratulations to Jack and Lorraine.

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Where does the wind come from?
How do the clouds rain?

Our learners are scientific wonderers and thinkers and propose questions that make all of us think about our natural environment.

This week the children put their questions to test with windmills, wind, shave foam, dye and water. But where does the wind come from? Observing their surroundings, the children discovered that when the trees

moved it became windy and if you held the windmill in the right direction it would spin. Walking around the preschool garden, changing directions, holding the windmill up high, down low or even outside the fence they discovered they needed to face the wind for them to spin. So how do the clouds rain? With a science experiment we could see how moisture moves through the clouds to make rain.

The shave foam representing the clouds, dye for the rain and water in a jar. The dye moved through the shave foam and out the bottom into the water, representing rain. In-depth

answers are not always necessary, sometimes it is a simple fact, a representation that provides the answers to their questions. Which in turn supports their learning and seeking of knowledge.



Grant for Waranga Basin



The State Government is giving Victorian anglers more opportunities to wet a line thanks to new projects funded through the *Recreational Fishing Grants Program* – now in its twentieth year.

Worth more than \$925,000 in reinvested fees, the grants program is putting fishing licence fees to work to ensure every Victorian angler has access to the state’s best fishing experiences – with the 11 new projects ranging from fish habitat improvements to a jetty upgrade, education, and fisheries monitoring right across Victoria.

At Waranga Basin outside Shepparton, the *Goulburn Valley Association of Angling Clubs* will receive a grant to install a woody habitat, creating more homes for golden perch. The basin will also be stocked by the Victorian Fisheries Authority, commencing this summer with 100,000 fingerlings – meaning more stock for anglers to reel in. – VFA media release.

Roland Huber, Chairman of the Goulburn Valley Association of Angling Clubs and Vice President of the Nathalia Angling Club will receive \$100,000 from the RFL large Grants program to be used for the habitat structures and up to \$50,000 from the VFA for planning. Roland said that “This project has been in the planning for 4 years and it had taken all this time to develop a good relationship with all stakeholders and obtain many



Waranga Basin at 39% capacity.



Grub Smith fishing at Waranga Basin during a recent tour.

letters of support necessary to pull it through. We hope to create one of the best Victorian inland fisheries.”

Waranga Basin is a popular lake for fishing, particularly for redfin, although being a boom & bust species many anglers unfortunately miss out on a feed. Native fish require habitat structures and with the introduction of these, Waranga Basin will become a much better fishery into the future particularly with increased stocking of Golden Perch.

Roland would like to thank the VFA, Wedge Group and delegates from all member clubs for their valuable contribution and assistance in obtaining the grant

Quotes attributable to Minister for Fishing and Boating Melissa Horne

“We are investing in fish habitat right across Victoria to deliver long term value to aquatic ecosystems and better recreational fishing now and into the future.”

“Fishers are making a huge investment into their own pastime by purchasing a fishing licence – that’s why we’re proud to be providing additional funding over four years to get more people fishing, more often, and to ensure this experience is Australia’s best.”

Nathalia Online Show

The Nathalia Online Show was run over the school holidays with much success! Big thank you to everyone who got involved! Some winners printed here, at time of print the photo sections were still being judged. There is a small display set up in the window of Nathalia Electrical (Ross Smiths), please get down and have a look! We are pleased to share that our Lego Stewards Tracey and Neil are starting up a Lego users group in Nathalia, please check out their Facebook page for more details! It is called Nathalia and Surrounds Lego User Group. All ages welcome. Keep your eyes out for the next lot of Show winners in next Red Gum



Above: 1st - Lego Model, Open: Neil and Tracey Smith



Above: 1st - Breakfast Tray for 1, 12&U: Kayla Anderson

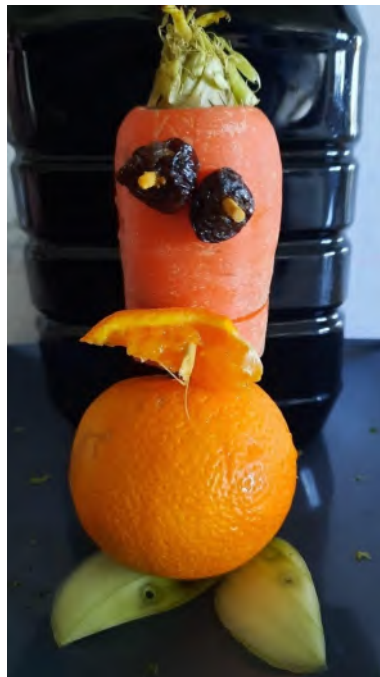
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Above: 1st - Item made from Fruit & Vegetables 5&U: Daniel Rigoni



Above: 2nd - Breakfast Tray for 1, Open: Rosie Foster



Left: 2nd - Item made from Fruit & Vegetables 12&U: Brooke Anderson



Above: 1st - Colouring competition 6&U - Harper Ray



Above: 1st - Colouring Competition 12&U: Rhyley Lawless

Nathalia Online Show



Above: 1st - Item made from Fruit & Vegetables 12&U: Kayla Anderson



Above: 2nd - 4 Decorated biscuits 5&U: Callen Jorgensen

WINNERS

4 Decorated Biscuits -

Age 12 & under:

-1st Jordyn Rudd

-2nd Abbie McNair

Age 5 & under

-1st Daniel Rigoni

-2nd Callan Jorgensen

Breakfast Tray for 1

Open:

-1st Michelle Gorman

-2nd Rosie Foster

Age 12 & under

-1st Kayla Anderson

Item made from Fruit and Vegetables

12 & under:

-1st Kayla Anderson

-2nd Brooke Anderson

5 & under:

-1st-Daniel Rigoni

Lego model

Open:

-1st Neil & Tracey Smith

12 & under:

-1st Ollie Fitzpatrick -Piano

-2nd Angus Couetts - Zoo

Colouring competition

6 & Under:

-1st Harper Ray

-2nd Benji Wold

12 & Under:

-1st Rhyley Lawless

-2nd Evangeline Daniel



Above: 2nd - Lego model, 12&U: Zoo by Angus Couetts



Above: 2nd - Decorated biscuits 12&U: Abbie McNair



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Above: 2nd - Colouring Competition 5&U: Benji Wold



Above: 2nd - Colouring Competition 12&U: Evangeline Daniel



Up The Garden Path with U3A

Members of the Nathalia U3A Group travelled to the Coomboona area to visit the beautiful *Yackatoo Gardens* in September. The 16 acre garden, displays a formal English style where the lake, home, garden rooms, arbour, outdoor garden settings, lilies, foxgloves, guinea fowls, etc. along with many other features put on a magnificent show. As we walked around and enjoyed serene views, cameras were at hand as the photographers of the group captured the beauty that surrounds us. We all enjoyed morning tea amid the



glorious setting sunshine, flowers and friendships. Visit www.yackatooengardens.com





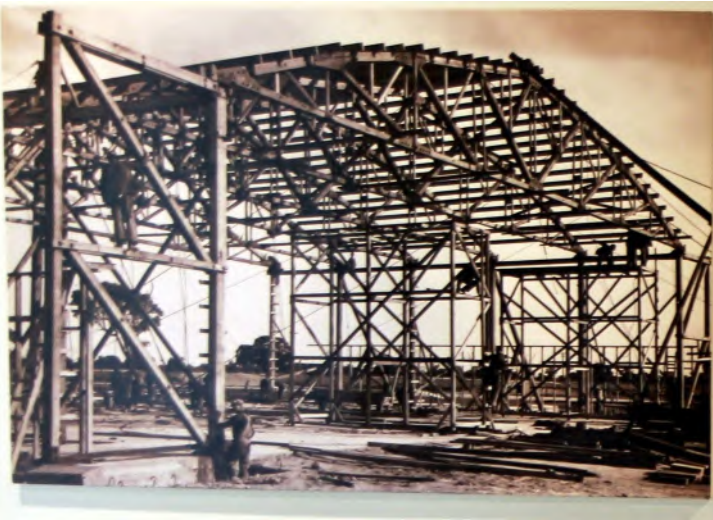
Tocumwal Aviation Museum & Drome Cafe

The Tocumwal Aviation Museum and The 'Drome Café opened "softly" on Sunday the 25th of July to about 100 invited guests and opened to the public on Thursday the 29th of July.

The Tocumwal Aviation Museum consists of an Exhibition Gallery consisting of information boards and imagery showcasing over 100 years of aviation at Tocumwal. The Display Hangar currently contains four historic aircraft as well as the ¼ scale B-24 Liberator that was once housed at the entrance to the golf course. The Bob Brown Theatre, named in honour of a man who has dedicated the last 25 years to Tocumwal's aerodrome history, is a 28 seat cinema with tiered seating, 140 inch screen and surround sound. During the day, the theatre shows a 9 minute film comprising historic footage of our aviation history and heritage from 1930 through to 1960. Exiting through the Memorial Hall, the walls are lined with 18 portrait boards, one for each of the service personnel who lost their lives while serving at RAAF Station Tocumwal during World War 2 and are buried in the Commonwealth War Graves section of the Tocumwal Cemetery. It's a moving experience reading their personal histories and the tragic loss of life of so many young Australian's who were serving their country in time of war.



Drome Café at the Tocumwal Aviation Museum



Aircraft hanger being built at Tocumwal aerodrome in 1942.



1/4 scale model of the B-24 Liberator Bomber.

The 'Drome Café, named as a nod to the name given to the aerodrome by locals back in the day, is fully licensed, has seating for 60 and offers house-made morning and afternoon teas and light lunches using quality local and regional ingredients. Catering is available for private functions after hours and small groups for lunch.

The museum and café are open 7 days a week from 10am to 4pm and are located at the entrance to the aerodrome on Burma Road.

Keep a look out for the Tocumwal Airshow which is scheduled for 10th of April 2022.



*B-24 Liberator Bomber at Tocumwal airport during WW11.
This photo courtesy of Noel Gemmill was taken by his father George Gemmill.*

1 of the 3 remaining hangars in Tocumwal





Science at Nathalia Primary School



This photo is best seen in colour. Visit nbbt.org.au or scan QR code on front cover.

Pictured left are Chase, Kadan, Isabella and Brooke from Nathalia Primary School who completed this very interesting science experiment.

They learnt all about capillary action which is the same principle as the wick on a candle and the Coolgardie safe.

NADDCO Update



Our small group of 10 members perfectly suits the current Covid restrictions. It has allowed us to have 2 excellent birthday teas at Brereton's on Friday nights, both organised by members, Marie Birch and Mary Agius. The birthday teas were held for Marie Birch and then Mary Boxshall. Lots of laughter and social chatter with presents and a birthday cake to finish the celebration. It's such a relief to be able to enjoy each other's company again! Many thanks to our hostess, Lucy Brereton, and staff. Lucy ensured that we were well looked after and followed Covid guidelines.

Celebration of Nathalia & District Not-for-Profit Organisations.

The two page write ups keep coming in – remember, the project timeline has been extended to next year. However, we welcome seeing your write up as soon as you can provide it..

PAGE ONE: Two components = History of your organisation and major achievements, with photos.

PAGE TWO: Three components = Current photo of your group, How your organisation was affected by Covid, Current and Future goals.



Marie Birch, Mary Boxshall (centre) Mary Agius. Photo stub: Judy Ormond

Here is part of the History of Nathalia & District Historical Society Inc. provided by Leigh Giffard.

As a result of local interest in recording the history of the Nathalia district, a meeting was convened on March 24, 1969 to discuss the formation of an historical society. Present at that meeting were a group of 20 citizens with 8 apologies and 2 representatives of Numurkah Historical Society, who addressed those present. A motion by Councillor W H Schier and Mr Geoff Corry to form a society was carried and a committee to organize was elected.

After much discussion as to a suitable site for the Society, negotiations began to buy the Mechanics Institute building at 45 Pearce Street. The building was built in 1887 as an education centre and library. This had limited success and so in 1895 until 1944 the building was occupied by The Independent Order of the Rechabites. After that the building had a number of uses including a footballers training room, a boy scout hall and it even functioned as a plane spotter site during WW2. Fortunately, a grant was offered from the government if the Society could raise \$1500,



Nathalia Historical Society Committee

Missing: Bev Cusack, Helen Ryan, Phillipa Schapper, Sue Lubke

so the purchase of the Mechanics Institute was completed in 1976 at a cost of \$3,400.

The Society began to gather documents, newspapers, maps and historical registers such as school records and rate books. They also began to collect local farming equipment and old bric-a-brac to enable members to set up a museum as seen today. Our collection includes copies of the Nathalia Herald as published from 1884 to 1975, many local school enrolment records, rate payer information and cemetery records.

In 1976 police cells from Nathalia and Picola stations moved to museum as well as the disused telephone exchange at Yielima - the exchange building measured 15 feet x 9 feet. Eventually through the generosity and expertise of our local community a functioning blacksmith shop was built and fitted out and, in 1997, a stand overhead shearing plant from a local shearing shed was moved and installed at the centre. The shearing shed is belt driven and has been set up as a working model. We hold such items as the judges stand from the old court room and hook collection of over 430 items. You may see that we recently covered our prize steam traction engine, one of only a few remaining in Victoria.

Annual Gala Days were held as fund raisers over a number of years and included events such as nail driving, crowbars dressed and sharpened, rope making, corn gristing using the horse works, blacksmithing, butter making, lace making and spinning. By 1995, after several moves, our Superb Reads Bookshop became our major fundraiser to allow our work to continue and prosper. This has been achieved with the support of the owner of the current shop and many local donations of books.

We have catalogued of our large collection on computer using Inmagic program, the software recommended by Arts Victoria. This job is ongoing as our generous community donate goods and cherished documents to the museum.

Our museum is open to the public on the second Sunday of each month between 1.30pm and 4pm. Come and have a look at the history of our town and district. We always welcome new members, if you would like to come along and help, information about us can be found on our website: nathaliahistoricalsociety.org.au.

~ Lyn Loger



CLASSIFIEDS

MEETINGS




Nathalia & District Men's Shed
Notice of AGM
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 At: Our Park Street, Shed.



Waaia Football Netball Club
AGM
Friday, 5th November 2021
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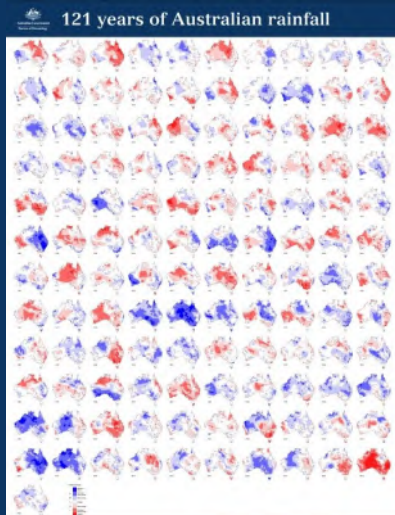
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Nathalia Bowling Club News



The Bowls Pennant Season was set down to commence on Friday 15th October for Midweek and 16th October for Saturday, but once again, due to COVID our season has been delayed, so once again, we are in the "Wait and See Season".

Practice and Roll Ups are allowed under the Rules set down by COVID Restrictions, as advised by Bowls Victoria. Midweek practice is held on Tuesday at 10.00 am and Saturday Pennant practice is on Wednesdays at 4.30 pm.

Ladies Trade days, which are held on Wednesdays at the Clubs in our



Nathalia Bowls Club greens are in top condition for when the season receives the go ahead.

playing area, were due to start at Nathalia on 13th October have also been delayed, and if all clubs agree will not commence until the 2nd February, 2022 at Nathalia.

Over the winter break we have been able to hold some Working Bees and our Members, of course, following COVID Rules have managed to do much needed repairs and clean ups. Thanks to all who attended.

Our Greens are in top condition, under the guidance of Peter Hutchins, our Greenkeeper and his band of dedicated members. Plenty of mowing, weeding and fertilizing done.

The Club House is about to get a spruce up, with the exterior of the building to be painted.

We have applied for some grants, one being for Solar Panels, which hopefully will be successful in cutting our electricity costs. Also, we have applied for a community Grant for a Laptop which will be used for our online results to be recorded as NBN is also being connected to the club.

During the year, Bowls Victoria has amalgamated Bowls Regions in Victoria and parts of NSW. Nathalia which was previously in the Murray Bowls Region is now part of Goulburn Murray Bowls Region. Our region is now the Murray Playing Area. This area has not changed. The Goulburn Murray and Central Regions have been combined and are now the Goulburn Playing Area. Our region covers Clubs from Nathalia to Jerilderie. The Goulburn Region covers from Shepparton to Seymour.

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The Shepparton Bears FNC are very proud of Tanya, she is a consistent performer for her team and club. A well deserved award.



*Pictured:
Shepparton Bears' Tanya Holland.*

Nathalia Golf Club News



Above:
Working on removing dead trees.

Still not a lot of golf is allowed due to restrictions although members and visitors are happy to be able to get out on the course and play and enjoy the time to socialize, practice and exercise. It is disappointing but at this stage we may not be able to return to playing competition golf until November.

In the meantime our members have been busy with work commencing on the upgrade of our course. Amazing what a difference a day can make and thanks to Peter Mortimer and his machinery, to Bernie O'Hare and his tractor and to the 8 member/volunteers who bought trailers and put in a really hard and long day to keep up with the chain saws and remove and clear the fallen trees and limbs. There must have been some sore and tired bodies the next day. The work has only started with more to happen but overall players are going to really notice the

wide open spaces particularly the men when teeing off on both 11 and 17. Other members are encouraged to become involved with the improvements program and in particular the Club needs volunteers to mow the fairways over the summer months. In the past members/volunteers have always mowed the fairways. Whilst our Caretaker Dave does a great job looking after the greens and tee offs, his work over summer in keeping up with watering will keep him busy so we need help with the mowing. If anyone is able and interested in helping please contact Paul Fulton ph 0419 158 481.

SAVE THE DATE – The Golf club is planning to have their Annual General Meeting for 2021 on the THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER.

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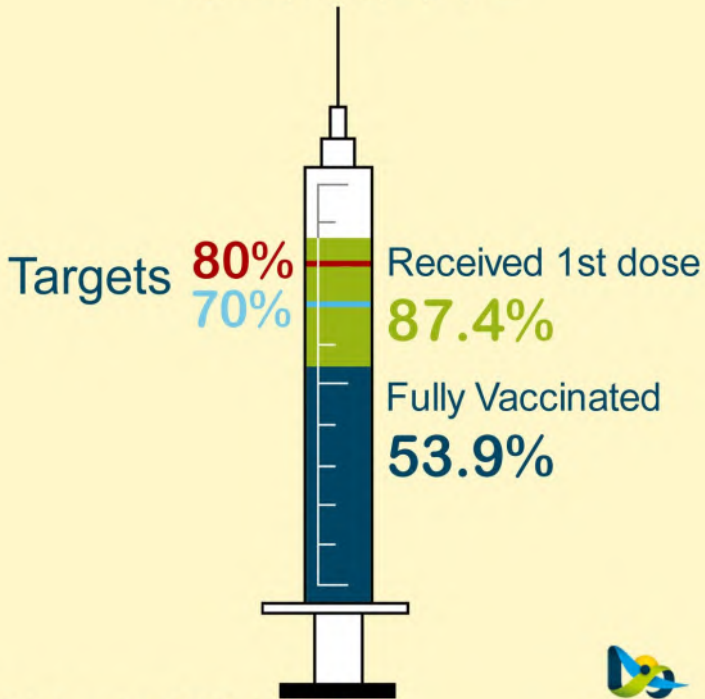
Above: Bernie O'Hare with the
tractor cleaning up.



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