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Nathalia Gives Thanks At Night



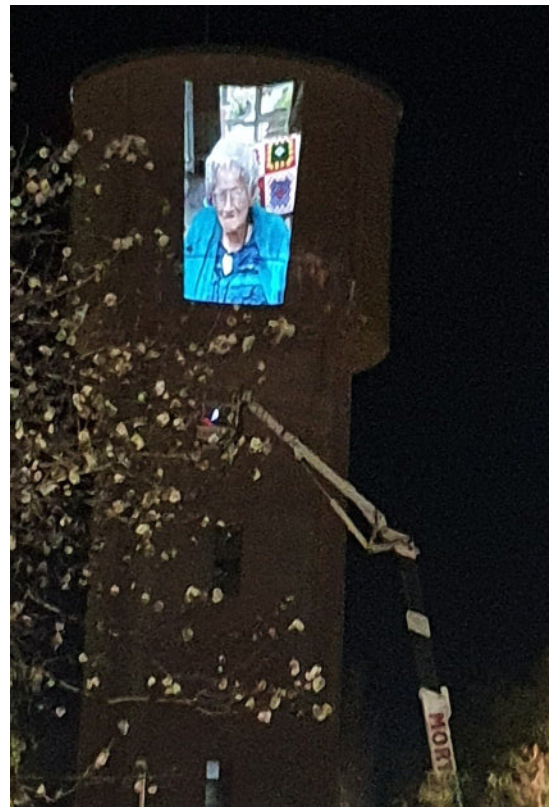
Nathalia Gives Thanks at Night was a beautiful evening. Thank you to the people who joined us as we were reminded of the many wonderful people who have sadly left our community.

Peter Mortimer's Cherry-Picker provided the unexpected artistic service. Thank you to Cameron Lancaster as MC...and to Linden Lancaster for the glorious music she selected. Thank you to all the families who shared images to be displayed on the Water Tower. Hugh Drum provided outstanding sound and Greg Pritchard created the illuminations.

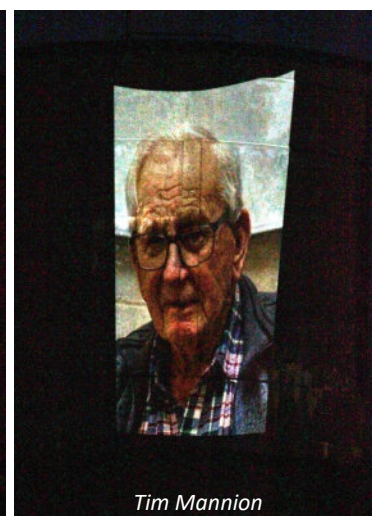
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*Right: Thelma Adams on the water tower with Mortimer's Scissor lift.
Photo: Philippa Schapper*

*Left: Nathalia Gives Thanks is illuminated on the water tower.
Photo left & below left courtesy Wayne Limbrick*



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Photos on the Water Tower—Roland Huber

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 Nathalia Agricultural Society
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Community Update



Japanese encephalitis – vaccine rollout

We are starting an immunisation program to help in the fight against Japanese encephalitis virus. Those eligible include people aged between 50 and 65 who work in a role that is largely outdoors, specifically those who spend more than four hours outdoors each day.

Japanese encephalitis virus can cause a rare, potentially serious infection of the brain and is spread to humans by mosquito bites.

We are urging people who fit the criteria to fill out a simple Expressions of Interest form on our website to indicate whether they wished to be vaccinated.

Go to our website for more information and to fill out the Expressions of Interest form or give our Customer Experience team a call.




Proposed transfer station closures – feedback opens

We are considering closing the Strathmerton, Tungamah and Yabba transfer stations due to the significant rise in investment required to meet EPA standards.

If the sites are to close, Council will begin rehabilitating them to minimise the risk to the environment.

We will also improve the remaining six transfer stations across the shire and progress them to best practice operations.

We want your feedback on this proposal – go to our website for all the details and to have your say.

Feedback closes **Friday 30 September**.

Numurkah Caravan Park – lease EOI opens

We are calling for Expressions of Interest for the lease and operation of the Numurkah Caravan Park. The caravan park is a well presented park located on a picturesque bend of the Broken Creek. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to live and work in an idyllic setting with loyal return visitors. Expressions of Interest must meet the requirements detailed in the information pack and must be received by Council by **4pm Friday 16 September 2022**.

The pack is available on our website and a hard copy is available by request from our Customer Experience teams in Cobram and Yarrowonga.



Community Strengthening Grants Policy – have your say


It is time to have your say on changes proposed to the Community Strengthening Grants Policy. These grants help community organisations to develop and deliver services, manage facilities, coordinate events and promote tourism, health, and environmental sustainability.


In the past, only Quick Response grants of up to \$1,000 were available all year round; we are now adding another funding opportunity for grants up to \$5,000. Our Major Grants stream, up to \$10,000, will be open for up to two rounds per financial year.


For all the details, to view the draft Community Strengthening Grants Policy and to have your say, go to Council's website.


Feedback closes at **5pm Friday 9 September**.





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The G.R.A.I.N. Store...Growing Rural Art in Nathalia

Nathalia Gives Thanks at Night *continued from front page*

The G.R.A.I.N. Store chose to spend one third of the \$33,000 of rate payer funds Moira Shire allocated to us as Nathalia's Creative Arts Hub for 2022/2023 to achieve this evening. We have heard many comments about what a good idea it would be for this idea to continue. It will be up to others in the community to make that happen. We will be only too delighted to share what we have learnt.

Portrait of Nathalia District: Exhibition continued through to Saturday 5 November



Seeing Double - John Staggard

Have you visited the Gallery yet? More than a hundred of you have...and we are thrilled by your response. It is fascinating to see ourselves...to see who you already know; and to see the people you are yet to meet.

We are Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday 11-4pm or come in via the Petticoat Lane entrance on Mondays...when you may say hello to the people Making Art...while looking at the 650 wonderful photos.

The G.R.A.I.N. Store 11th birthday celebration: Thursday 13th October 2022 7-8pm

You are invited to a presentation of a review of many of last year's activities; an update on our planning for the next few months and into 2023; and an opportunity to respond to some further possibilities.

If the events of the past few weeks have piqued your curiosity; come and meet the Board.



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Moira Shire Messages

Wunghnu – new public toilet facilities

Wunghnu’s popular George Graham Park will be given a new lease of life with the ageing toilet block to be replaced with a brand new facility.

Director Infrastructure Services Josh Lewis said the old brick toilet block had served the community well but it had reached the end of its service life.

“It is being replaced with a long wearing, low maintenance steel and concrete structure featuring a fully accessible toilet, an ambulant toilet and two unisex toilets,” Mr Lewis said.

“In addition, this prefabricated building can be installed in a very short space of time so once demolition works are completed on the old toilet block, this new building will be installed in a matter of days.”

This \$150,000 project has been funded under Moira Shire Council’s Capital Works Program.

For all the details go to the Works and Projects section of Council’s website and subscribe to the page.



If speaking kindly to plants helps them grow, imagine what speaking kindly to humans can do.



MEALS ON WHEELS

9th to 23rd September

September

Friday 9th	Sue Lowe
Monday 12h	St Mary of the Angels
Tuesday 13th	Kevin & Nina Pell
Wednesday 14th	Sue Logie
Thursday 15th	Fay Hutchins
Friday 16th	David & Cheryl McKenzie
Monday 19th	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Tuesday 20th	Mary Agius
Wednesday 21st	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Thursday 22nd	VOLUNTEER REQUIRED
Friday 23rd	Graeme Smith

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

2023 Australia Day Award nominations open – with a twist

Nominations for the 2023 Australia Day Awards are now open for individuals or organisations that have endeavoured to enhance and provide for their local community and instil a sense of community spirit and awareness.

Mayor Libro Mustica said nominees who are Australian Citizens and have made a significant voluntary contribution during 2022, or who have given outstanding service to their local community over a number of years are eligible.

“But it is not just individual people who can be nominated,” Cr Mustica said.

“A project or event that a school, community group or organisation has held which went that extra mile to help their local area can also be nominated.

“These awards are an opportunity to recognise those in our community who have given tirelessly for the benefit of others.

“We are fortunate to have so many community minded people and the Australia Day Awards provides each town throughout our shire with a fantastic opportunity to recognise their commitment, contribution and effort.”

There are six award categories – Citizen of the Year; Junior Citizen of the Year; Young Citizen of the Year; Community Event of the Year; Community Organisation of the Year; and Arts, Culture and/or Environment Project of the Year.

“These nominations will go towards the individual town ceremonies to be held on Australia Day 2023,” Cr Mustica said.

“The nominations will also be considered for the Moira Shire Achievement Awards to be held in April next year.

“With the success of the 2022 Moira Shire Australia Day Award ceremony, held in late April due to COVID restrictions, Council has decided to adopt this timing to allow for each town’s celebrations to be unhindered by the overall Council awards evening.

“By naming this new ceremony the Moira Shire Achievement Awards, all residents of Moira Shire can be considered, not just Australian citizens, and will allow for a more inclusive and representative ceremony.”

Nominations can be made online via our website; if you require assistance please give us a call on 5871 9222 and one of our officers will help you through the process.

Nominations close Wednesday 30 November 2022.

CHURCH TIMES

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH
Ph: 5866 2694

Nathalia MASS TIME 9am SUNDAYS

NATHALIA UNITING CHURCH
Margaret Cobbleddick Ph: 5866 2037

September 11th: 9.30am Service
September 18th: 9.30am with visitors from Holy Trinity Picola
September 11th: 9.00am

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

September 11th: 8.00am Holy Communion
September 18th: 9.30am Holy Trinity to visit Uniting Church
St Paul's - Wakiti Creek
Next Service - **October 2nd:** 1.30pm Holy Communion

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
Contact - Erik 0411 731 916

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124 Graham St., Shepparton.

Celebrating Fathers at Nathalia Primary



The Berry Family

Nathalia Primary School celebrated Father's Day with a delicious breakfast with the dads and their kids. The coffee van was on-site for a morning caffeine hit and bacon and egg rolls were cooked by the members of the Fishing Club on the school barbecue. It was fantastic to see so many parents come to the school to share breakfast with the children.



The Caldwell's



The Shaw Family



The Shelton Family



The Coghlan's

Upcoming Events	What's On Locally
August 28 — November 6	Portrait of Nathalia District @ The G.R.A.I.N. Store
October 1	Nathalia Agricultural Show
October 2	Daylight Savings Starts
November 11	RSL Remembrance Day Services
November 13	Nathalia Angling Club - Kids Come and Try Fishing Day
December 31	Nathalia New Years Eve Carnival
March	Rotary Show & Shine
April 8th	Easter Saturday Market & Bardi Gras

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NCN HEALTH NATHALIA



Staff Profile

Acting Nurse Unit Manger Niki Vidler

Welcome to the role of Acting Nurse Unit Manager, Niki Vidler. Niki started her career in nursing as a Personal Care Assistant and went on to become an Endorsed Enrolled Nurse (EEN) and then qualified as Registered Nurse (RN).

Prior to commencing at NCN Health Niki was with NSW HNE Health as After-Hours Manager. Her journey with NCN Health started out with the role of Clinical Support Nurse then going on to become the Program Coordinator for NCN Health Vaccination Clinic (aka 'Jab Hut'). Following the end of the COVID vaccination program, Niki was appointed Acting Nurse Unit Manager for Nathalia.



Acting Nurse Unit Manger
Niki Vidler

"I am fortunate that this role includes Urgent Care Centre, Acute and Nursing Home under the same roof. All three aspects do/can have their own challenges which keeps me on my toes. The staff are a great bunch and work well as a team unit. Being a smaller team covering shifts can be a challenge but they pull in together."

"I hope to continue to provide support for the established team as they continue their merge into NCN Health and ensuring we get through accreditations."

Niki said her approach to work is simple;

"Treat people as you would want to be treated and act as if what you are doing makes a difference – because it does."

Foot Care Clinic

Our Footcare Clinic is a service for people who have difficulty looking after their own feet.

We provide basic footcare and hygiene including nail trimming, education, and advice regarding foot hygiene and footwear.

Please call NCN Health Nathalia on 03 5866 9494 to make an appointment.

GP Clinic Appointments

We now have more GP appointments available, please contact us to make an appointment on 03 5866 9494.

COVID Boosters

COVID booster shots available from Monday August 22.

Please call to make an appointment on 03 5866 9494.

Are you eligible for a fourth dose?

An additional booster, or fourth dose, is recommended for people at increased risk of severe illness, to be given 3 months after their first booster dose.

You should get a fourth dose if you are:

- 50 years or older
- a resident of an aged care or disability care facility
- severely immunocompromised (this group may have already had the fourth dose and are now able to have a fifth dose)
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and aged 50 years and older
- 16 years or older and with a medical condition that increases the risk of severe COVID-19 illness
- 16 years or older with disability with significant or complex health needs or multiple comorbidities which increase risk of poor outcome.

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation has advised people aged 30 to 49 years old can receive a fourth dose if they choose.



Caterpillar Corner



Our school term is nearly over, and the school holidays will soon begin. We have a number of community based activities over the school holidays in our Vacation Care program so may see us out and about.

Pickle Ball is something new we are going to learn at the local tennis courts as well as enjoying a BBQ at the Uncle Bob's Park.

We have many other activities planned, so book in and join us for our Vacation Care over the school holidays. Contact Nathalia Community Early Learning Centre on for more information.



Wear it Purple Day

St Mary of the Angels Secondary College students held an out of school uniform day on Friday. The 'Wear it Purple' day was a day especially scheduled to celebrate and support LGBTQIA+ people and their journey's.

St Mary of the Angels Secondary College Wellbeing Support Officer, Illana Ballerini said, "As an open and inclusive College community we recognise that the LGBTQIA+ community needs our support every day not just on Wear it Purple day, so we've looked carefully at how we can support the community every day of the year, by being an Ally!

"On Wear it Purple Day we began the discussion identifying what an ally looks like and what it means; 'An ally is someone who stands up for, supports and encourages the people around them including LGBTQIA+'.

"It means supporting equal rights for everyone -- regardless of race, sexual orientation, gender or religion. It means doing what we can to call out discrimination and to fight for equality. And it means trying to make the world a better place for everyone including anyone who identifies as LGBTQIA+."



SMOTA ALLIES... St Mary of the Angels Secondary College hosted a 'Wear it Purple' Day in celebration and support of LGBTQIA+ people and their journey's.



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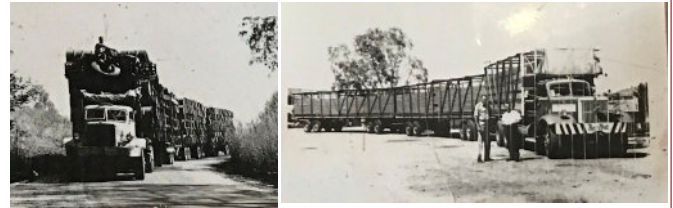
Brought to you by Jeanette Holland on behalf of the Nathalia & District Historical Society.

This article may not be 'local' but I found it very interesting so I thought I would share it with you.....

I have recently had the opportunity to spend some time around Alice Springs and spent several days exploring the Transport Museum there and I can recommend it is well worth the visit if you are in the area. They have many exhibits relating to the story of transport in Australia, from the Ghan Railway to a shed full of amazing Kenworth trucks (a truck-lover's delight).

A team of volunteers work to maintain the museum and keep the exhibits going. Some of the trucks are kept in working order and are driven around the outer area of the display. One of these is 'Bertha', a Diamond T truck which is over 100 years old and was the first road-train in Australia. This truck was owned by Kurt Johannsen and he built four self-tracking trailers for it in 1945. He was required to get a permit from the Dept. of Transport to operate his unit on a public road. Kurt went on to build more trailers and at times towed as many as seven trailers behind Bertha, usually loaded with empty forty-four gallon drums purchased from Army Disposals and transported them to Alice Springs to be sent by rail to oil companies down south.

After several decades of transporting things such as oil drums, cattle, stores and building materials on his road-train, Kurt Johannsen ceased operations and eventually donated his vehicle to the Road Transport Hall of Fame in Alice Springs. Pictured below is Keith Holland checking out 'Bertha' in 2022.



Pictured above— Bertha at work. Below—Kenworth display.



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.

Diamond Anniversary



Ray and Liz Oliver recently celebrated their 60th Wedding anniversary. Congratulations.

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 what happens.

Ellen Glasgow

Rotary Club of Nathalia Rotary Report

Because this article was submitted...
On Monday morning, a report could not yet be written about the debate that took place that evening, between debating teams from SMOTA and NSC. The next Rotary News will have all the information, with photo/s also...all being well.

Also in that column, will be a report on the sausage sizzle we are planning to cook in Blake Street on September 17th.

There are plans to visit the Rotary Club of Kyabram on 14th September so that will also be written about in the next Rotary article.

Our most recent meeting, on August 24th, had members discussing a number of topics and it was a very productive meeting.

Shannon's have been booked for the Show and Shine next March and we hope to also have the Big Rig back; last time it came to town was when the event had to be cancelled, **on the day**, due to rain...and lots of it.

Another play will be attended by some of our members on 22nd September; this will be "Summer of the Seventeenth Doll" at Westside. Each year we have a "Christmas party" and this year's date was chosen as Sunday 11th December. Most likely we will go to Deniliquin, visit "The Depot" to see the different displays there, then have lunch at a hotel.

We plan to have more guest speakers as the year goes on.

We are overdue for our yearly bowls tournament against Numurkah; it's their turn to host so we need to be invited at a time to suit their club's members.

The NYE committee will have a stall at the Nathalia Show on October 1st; we have been asked to sell NYE raffle tickets between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. A roster was made up and three Rotarians will practise Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self" and sell tickets for two hours each. There will be a few lines written about this after the Show.

Nathalia Show Update



Only a month to go! We hope you have been looking through the last 3 years of craft projects, new hobbies and fine tuning those iso cooking skills to prepare your entries for the 2022 Nathalia Show!

This year, ALL exhibits except photos will need to be delivered to the Showgrounds Friday morning, 30th of September for judging Friday from noon; this **includes plants and flowers** that were previously judged on Saturday morning. Photos are to be delivered to show office by Wednesday 28th of September for early judging. There is a special section this year for knitted vests, beanies and booties for newborn babies that will be all donated to the GV Hospital after the show.

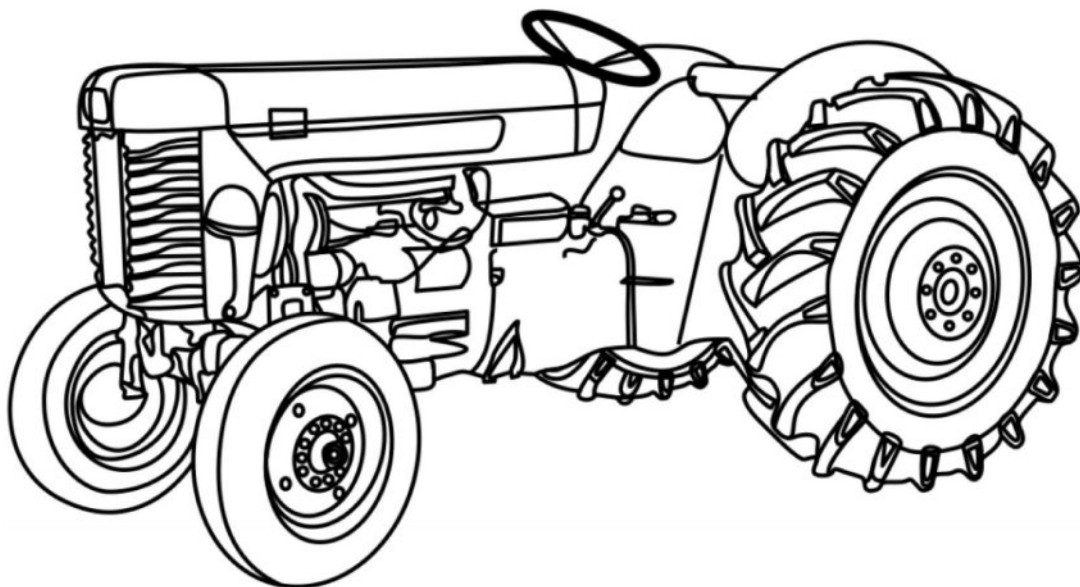
Horses will again be a major feature of the show with a revamped program including 2 show rings, led, light harness, pony club/fun ring, breed classes and more. There will be NO show jumping at this year's Nathalia Show. The program is available now on the website and printed copies are available at Nathalia Printers. See advertisement on page 2 for more details.



Nathalia Agricultural Show

Saturday 1st October 2022

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Return to the Show Office at the Showgrounds by Fri 30th Sep at 12 noon or to Nathalia Printers by Thursday evening.

Probus News

After welcoming members, President David McKenzie advised of the recent passing of our member Iris Swan. In tribute, President David mentioned the long association of Iris and her family in the local district. New member Maryse Quarrell was warmly welcomed into the club and received her badge and Probus information kit.

Three tables were covered with colourful scarves for the 'Show and Tell'. Members had many interesting stories relating to their scarves, some very old, others from overseas trips, handmade or passed down through the family. The 'Show and Tell' theme for the September meeting will be 'Football Memorabilia'.

Bob Bramwell brought laughter to the group with his regular segment of stories, puzzles and jokes. He read a poem attributed to Russ Tyson titled, 'A Design for Living' and then prompted everyone to ponder:

"Why do birds fly north in winter? Too far to walk!
 'Why do cows have bells? Their horns don't work'. Among many others, a serious thought: A grindstone can polish a man or grind him down, depending on what he is made of.

Those who went on the trip to Rich River Club, Moama, agreed it was a most enjoyable outing. Members are looking forward to a 'Games Day' at the September meeting when small groups will take part in Hookey, Quoits, Croquet, Darts etc and will be cheered on by those watching. These days are purely for fun and always there is a lot of laughter.

The winner of this month's competition was Estelle Chalker. Bethan McKay, the Sustainability Technical Officer from the Moira Shire was the guest speaker at the meeting. Bethan brought along a selection of items to assist in explaining the recycling system and answered many questions from the members. She also reminded members of the new recycling station situated near the library, which is for items that cannot be placed in regular bins.

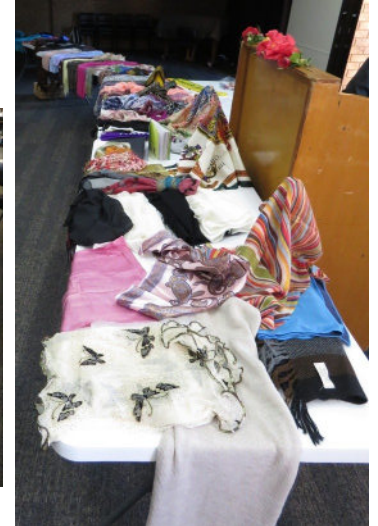
Members voted to change the time for morning tea. Beginning in September, morning tea will be at 10.00 am, preceding the meeting, which will commence at 10.30 am. Visitors are most welcome at Probus meetings on the third Tuesday of each month in the Dancocks Room at the Nathalia Sports and Community Centre.



Above: Maryse Quarrell being welcomed to Probus by David McKenzie & Marcia Murrell



Show & Tell tables of Scarves.



Bethan McKay, the Sustainability Technical Officer from the Moira Shire with David McKenzie



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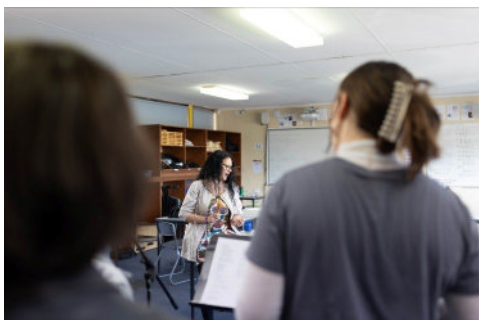
As a part of 2022 Arts Week celebrations, a number of St Mary of the Angels Secondary College students enjoyed the privilege of being involved in a two day Song Writer Workshop with Merelyn and David Carter from Carter & Carter.

St Mary of the Angels Secondary College Celebrations Team (Musical Director), Vanessa Byrnes said, "Merelyn and David Carter are an award-winning country duet with over 20 years experience in the music industry and it was an enormous privilege for our students to have the opportunity to work with them.

"On Friday 26 August, our SMOTA students also had the opportunity to perform what they learnt at The G.R.A.I.N. Store, in a performance hosted by Carter & Carter, which was an awesome experience for all involved."



SMOTA SINGS... St Mary of the Angels Secondary College enjoyed the privilege of being involved in a two day Song Writer Workshop with Merelyn and David Carter from Carter & Carter recently.



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Out and About in the Community



The preschool children in the 4 year old program have been out in our community practicing their bicycle and scooter skills under the supervision of the educators and volunteers. Practice is important, it allows for extended time to master the skills of balancing, steering and braking. Being exposed to different surfaces for their skill development such as open flat areas, bumpy surfaces such as dirt areas and roads along with practicing on the levy banks and crossing the walking bridges.

The children have been engaging in activities that support their understanding of the road rules and what the different signs mean. When out in our community they need to be aware of where they are riding in relation to riders in front and behind them along with listening to the educators and moving safely around bins, tables and chairs, signs and importantly pedestrians. If a child is under 12, an adult supervising them can legally ride on the footpath.

The children and educators would love to hear from you if you have seen them out in our community. You can email the preschool (nathalia@grpsa.com.au) or send them a letter (PO Box 157, Nathalia). Thankyou to everyone who has sent in their comments. The children enjoy hearing the letters from community.



Concentrating as they move slowly over the Woodlands Walk footbridge.



The height and width of the levy bank provided a challenge to the children. Their decision for this part of the ride was to walk their bikes.



Right: Taking in the view as they move across the bridge

Left: Back to preschool, again following the road rules, signs and walking their bikes across the road.



The children in 3 year old preschool have been packing care packages for the older residents in our community. Chez Thorn (Program Activity Group Leader at NCN Health Nathalia) will pick the packages up from preschool and deliver them out to community members.

Left: Phoenix packing the boxes with shampoo.



Right: Evie checking that all packages have deodorant in them.





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Athletics Day at Nathalia Secondary College



On Tuesday, 16th August, NSC was finally able to enjoy our long-awaited Athletics Day. After two years away from the track, the competition was certainly on. There were several records broken, including an amazing effort from Mason Cobbleddick who broke his brother's previous triple jump record. Rhys Hansen also was able to smash numerous records, including the high jump. Age group champions were Taylah Hutchins, Rhys Hansen, Josh Dohnt, Mason Cobbleddick, Cheyanne Hansen and Kaiya Cornell who took away a medal each. Phenomenal work! There was exciting news from the teacher front too, as Mr Jones was able to beat Mr Carroll in the sprint. A massive congratulations to Goulburn House, who won the day with their huge points. But even better than winning was seeing all NSC students having a red hot go at every event and demonstrating respect, kindness and encouragement for others. Brilliant work everyone! A huge thanks to Mr Tinning who oversaw all the organisation.



Winning House 'Goulburn'



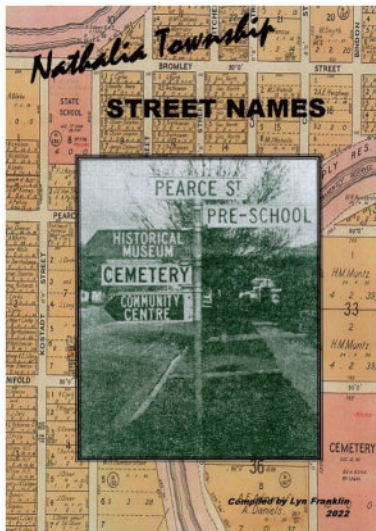
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Broken Creek Drama

Ralph's mobile

Ralph had felt pleased with himself. He had bought a new mobile phone online and had transferred all his data from the old phone to his new one. Not bad for an old bloke. He was a bit disappointed with the new phone's performance when it came to fingerprint recognition. It didn't work so well.

Twelve months later after having dropped his phone a few times the screen appeared damaged. He complained to his adult son that he might have to buy a new phone. His son scratched at the screen, removing the thin plastic film that covered the phone, part of the original packaging. The screen no longer appeared damaged, and the fingerprint recognition worked perfectly. Ralph decided to invest in new glasses rather than a new phone.



Gerard Hicks Inducted in to the Transport Hall Of Fame

The Australian Festival of Transport was held in Alice Springs at the Transport Hall of Fame on the weekend 28th-29th August.

Gerard Hicks (Hicks Contracting) went to the festival thinking he was there to surprise a friend's induction, he was given the ultimate surprise with being inducted into the Shell Rimula Wall of Fame himself. This is the write up that can be found on his poster on the Wall of Fame.

Gerard Hicks was born in December 1953 and grew up on a dairy farm with his 10 siblings in Nathalia, country Victoria.

His trucking career began in 1979 behind the wheel of his 1418 Mercedes Benz and a contract with Pirelli hauling cable over the country (a relationship that lasted 17 years). Alongside his wife Linda, their company G.W & L.A Hicks Contracting grew with every year of operation.

Gerard always dreamt big and as the business grew, he changed his truck to something that would turn heads, stand out in a crowd and one that he'd be proud to drive. He purchased his iconic Kenworth W model from Graham Thomson Motors in Shepparton. After 7 years running Australia wide in the W model, Gerard sold it (which he would later regret).

In 1997, as the business grew, the company moved from Shepparton to Melbourne where it was involved in the Australia wide rollout of Telstra smartcard payphones including delivery to Homebush for the 2000 Sydney Olympics. From here the company grew to become a fleet of 15 trucks and 22 trailers along with several loyal subcontractors and a second depot in Sydney.

Gerard has always had a hunger to succeed which has led to his 40 plus years in the transport industry. He is known for his attention to detail,

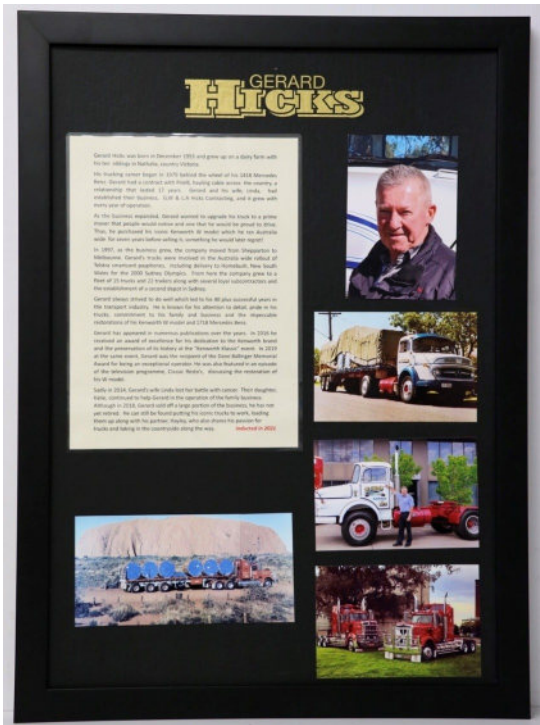
pride in his trucks, commitment to his family and business and his iconic restorations of his Kenworth W model and 1718 Mercedes Benz.

Gerard has appeared in numerous publications over the years. In 2016 Gerard received an award of excellence for his dedication to not only Kenworth but the preservation of the history of the brand at the Kenworth Klassic. In 2019 at the same show, Gerard was the recipient of the Dane Ballinger memorial award for an exceptional operator and featured in an episode of Classic Resto's discussing the restoration of his W model.

Sadly in 2014, Gerard's wife Linda lost her battle with cancer. Their daughter Katie continued to help Gerard in the operation of the family business. In 2018, Gerard sold off a large portion of the business, although he has not yet retired. You will still find him putting his iconic trucks to work, loading them up along with his partner Hayley (who also shares his passion for trucks) and taking in the countryside along the way.



Gerard Hicks



Left: Poster on Wall of Fame at National Road Transport Hall of Fame

Right: Gerard & daughter Katie at the induction ceremony.

Below are photos that appear on the wall of Fame Poster:

Right: 1418 Benz loaded

Far right: Gerard K925 & tribute K909



Gerard with his restored 1418 Benz.



W Model carting Pirelli Cables at Ayers Rock

Book Week Parade at St Francis Primary School

St Francis had a dress up day for Book week on Wednesday August 24th and celebrated with a whole school parade. It certainly was a bright and colourful event.



Joan Harding Botanical Art Competition

Nathalia Wildflower Group is excitedly looking forward to seeing the local flora artwork entries from students of both primary and secondary school age for this competition. This is its inaugural year. We are delighted to be partnering with the Nathalia Agricultural Society to present the competition as part of the exciting range of events at the Nathalia Show on Saturday, October 1st. Look for the Nathalia Wildflower Group display to see all the competition entries featured.

What will be being produced is a drawing or a painting of an example of our local flora. It might be as simple as a gum leaf, or as complex as a whole tree. Then again, paint, or the use of coloured pencil/pastels, could produce a glorious stem of flowering wattle. The display of wattles in bloom provides a wonderful sight right now.

Picture right: Joan Harding – Lightwood Wattle leaf study

Size is open and framing not required. We will see each artwork signed and labelled with the name of the local flora specimen and a statement about whether it is from a primary or secondary school age student, because they are the two competition categories.

The winning entry in the Secondary Section will receive \$30.00 - in the Primary Section, \$20.00. Every entry will receive an acknowledgement. We will be so pleased to know that unique artistic recordings have been made of a range of local flora specimens, for a major aim of Nathalia Wildflower Group is to encourage a greater awareness and love of our local environment.

This competition honours the exquisite local flora watercolour artwork created, over many decades, by Nathalia artist, Joan Harding.

Use the Quick Response Code below to freely access and download the 3 components of the Nathalia Botanical Walk. You will find all the local flora specimens that can be seen in town.

The Nathalia Botanical Walk pamphlet.

The Book of Bush Learning Lots of colour photos of local flora to be found in its pages.

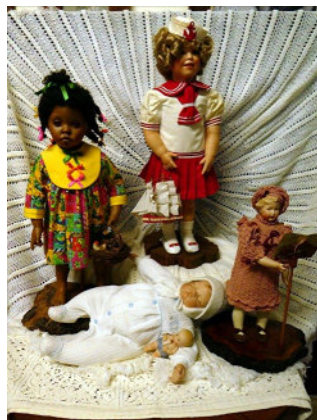
A visual display, with superb macro photos, of the local flora listed on the walk by Judy Ormond.



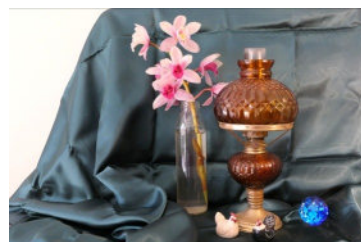
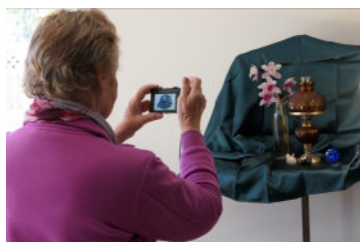
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U3A Photography Group - Still Life



Six U3A photographers enjoyed the recent photo challenge of setting up and taking still life shots on Saturday 3rd September. As our hostess celebrated her birthday, we all enjoyed a morning cuppa and chat together, then a walk around her beautiful garden setting and surrounds.



Birthday Celebrations at Barwo:

We have had the pleasure of celebrating another 2 birthdays over the last few weeks. On August 10th it was Margaret's birthday and on September 5th it was Dorothy's birthday. Both ladies thoroughly enjoyed themselves as we helped them celebrate their special days. Both Margaret and Dorothy received some stunning flowers and enjoyed their delicious birthday cakes as all the residents and staff sang 'Happy Birthday'.

Our residents have been participating in an assortment of activities including everyone's favourite Bingo. A few of our ladies have collected flowers from our garden and made some lovely flower arrangements while others were keen for a day of pampering and took great pleasure in having their nails done with their favourite colour nail polish.



Residents enjoying a game of Bingo.

Now Spring has arrived with several hours of sunshine most days, it's great to see our residents venturing outside to sit in the sun for their chats and strolling around our grounds to see the new growth starting to appear in the gardens.



Dorothy & Margaret celebrating their birthdays.



Left: Rita arranging her flowers.

Right: Time for nail polish with Marie, Betty & Rita.



Apply now for Raise our Voice Youth Parliament Speech

Member for Nicholls, Mr Sam Birrell is calling on young people in Nicholls aged 21 and under to get involved with the 2022 Raise Our Voice in Parliament Campaign.

Running from November 21 to 24, the Youth Voice in Parliament Week champions young Australians by giving them a voice in Canberra and online. To celebrate, young people are being encouraged to write a 90 second speech on issues that matter most to them. Selected speeches will then be read out by Mr Birrell in Parliament.

Mr Birrell said the Raise Our Voice Campaign supported by UNICEF Australia and the Australian Youth Affairs Coalition is a fantastic opportunity to hear from young people in the electorate.

"I'm excited to find out more about the issues and concerns that matter most to our future leaders" Mr Birrell said.

"I'm looking forward to amplifying their voices and reading local speeches in parliament for the nation to hear."

This years speech prompt is *what should Australia's new parliament accomplish?*

Mr Birrell has shared his top tips for speech writing to help get people started:

- * Choose one issue and make your points clear
- * Provide background and context
- * Call for action

The Youth Voice in Parliament campaign is a national, non-partisan initiative that aims to increase the political literacy of all young voters and voters-to-be by connecting them with their local Member. Last years campaign saw around 600 speeches submitted with 130 read in parliament. 60% of participants said it was the first time they had engaged with Australian politics or a politician, and 92% of participants saying it made them more likely to engage with politics in the future. Speech submissions are now open and close Wednesday October 19.

To submit a speech, or for more information and resources visit <https://raiseourvoiceaustralia.com/youthvoice>

Snakes out and about as the weather warms up

As the days become warmer, snakes are starting to emerge from their winter *brumation* to bask in the sun and search for food and a mate.

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) Senior Wildlife Officer, Therese Davis, said: "Sunny weather also means it's more likely people will encounter a snake."



"It's not uncommon to find snakes warming themselves on a rock or in a clearing during early spring, particularly on a sunnier day, so it's important we're mindful that they can be out and about earlier than normally expected.

"Snakes are generally 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 another habitat.

"Snake species found in north-east Victoria include the Red-bellied Black Snake, Eastern Brown, Tiger Snake and Copperheads

"These four species are venomous, but it is rare for them to bite people. Most snake bites occur when people try to capture or kill a snake.

"Being aware that snakes may be around and being informed about how to react to them is important at this time of year," 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, chook sheds, 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 capture, harm, or kill them. If you have information about people wilfully destroying protected wildlife, please contact Crime Stoppers Victoria on 1800 333 000.

Brumation is the term used to describe the hibernation of cold-blooded animals, namely reptiles and amphibians who rely on the surrounding environment to regulate their body temperature.

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Always in our hearts and memories. God has you now in His loving care.



*God saw that you were weary,
The hill too steep to climb,
He gently closed your tired eyes,
And whispered, "Peace be thine",
A tender thought brings a tear,
A silent wish that you were here.
We have lost, but Heaven has gained,
One of the best!*

- Cherished and missed by:
Neil and Fiona, Stefany, Jomar,
Dave, Levi and Layla.



A gentle nature,
A heart of gold,
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- Faye (dec) and Barney, Aidan,
Dani, Stephen and Ollie.



Loved younger brother of Bruce (dec.) and brother-in-law of Barbara. Cherished uncle of Helen Rankin (née Schier) & Colin, David & Nora and Julie, and extended family. Treasured memories of the close ties, family traditions and happy times on the farms at Barmah East.

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Picola & District Football Netball League 2022 Vote Count and Presentation

Another exciting season is drawing to end for the Picola and District Football Netball League, with the Grand Final taking place this Saturday at Katunga Football Netball Club.

With the 2022 season coming to a close the PDFNL held it's Senior vote count and presentation evening at the Moama Bowling club, on Monday

the 5th of September; with exciting results for some of the local clubs. Ashley Holland from Waaia capped off a very successful season on 22 votes taking out the Senior Best & Fairest award, also high on the count was Waaia's Jesse Trower who finished in third with 18 votes.

More locals starred in the A Grade Best & Fairest line up with Strathmerton's Grace Thomson a standout performer for the season taking out top spot with 24 votes. Closely behind in runners up B&F was Picola United's Jessica Beaton on 21, followed by Taylah Trimby from Waaia on 18 votes. Waaia's Taylah Belford did well in C Grade placing second in the Best & Fairest.

Picola United's Dan Atkinson finished second in the reserves Best & Fairest with 15 votes, three votes behind winner Daniel Buzza from Strathmerton.

Picola United's President, Clinton Barnes was awarded Administrator of the Year.

The PDFNL Junior vote count and presentation was held on Monday the 29th August which saw Holly Boyd from Waaia finish second in the 17 & Under Best and Fairest on 28 votes. Congratulations and well done to all the 2022 award recipients on their outstanding performance and efforts this season.



Ash Holland PDFNL Senior B&F



Grace Thomson PDFNL A Grade B&F ~ Photo by Daniel Webb



Jessica Beaton PDFNL A Grade R/Up B&F



Taylah Belford PDFNL C Grade R/Up B&F



Holly Boyd PDFNL 17&U R/Up B&F



Clinton Barnes PDFNL Administrator of the Year



Blake Jorgensen winner Schifferie Transport Award

Purple Brothers



Nathalia Under 17's five sets of football brothers: L-R: Tom & Josh Dohnt, Max & Ned Frostick, Oliver & Charlie Sheehan, Harry & Baz McDonald, Gus & Ned Bramwell

The Nathalia under 17's competition cover 3 years of the boys' football development. This often means siblings have the opportunity to play together where they may not otherwise have the chance. The Nathalia team in 2022 has 5 sets of brothers within its ranks which makes for over 40 percent of the team being brothers. There are 2 sets of twins within the team in the Bramwell's (Ned and Gus) who are both key position player and the Sheehan's (Oliver and Charlie) who are both Midfielders. In both of these cases the twins have a great synergy on the field often reading each other's next move to be in the same piece of play.

The other brothers playing are the Frostick's (Max and Ned) who are top age and first year respectively, the Dohnt's (Tom and Josh) and the McDonald's (Harry and Baz) who are second and first year respectively therefore they will be again playing next year. Best of luck to our thirds boys in the Grand Final next week!

Season 2022 comes to a close for the Blue & White

On Sunday, the 28th August we held the 2nd semi final at Picola, the sun was shining which helped to draw a huge crowd. Our A grade came away 1 goal winners against our old foe Waaia, in what was a cracking game of netball. Unfortunately Waaia proved too strong in the C grade game and our girls bowed out of the finals race. Thanks to everyone who chipped in and made the day run smoothly, we couldn't have done it without you.

Our A grade girls then traveled to Rennie for the preliminary final on Saturday 3rd September, unfortunately bowing out to a well drilled Strathmerton team. Congratulations netballers on making it this far.

Picola United Football Netball senior presentation night is on September 16th at 6:30pm. Special event celebrating 65 years of life member history, an invitation to our 30 'living legends' to come along and enjoy the night and remember the other 18 who are no longer with us. Followed by vote counts and awards in football and netball, all welcome. Go Blues!

~ President Clinton

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D. Brown
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K. Murphy



Semi Final - 28th August

C Grade: Picola: 34 vs Waaia: 43

Bad luck girls, not our day! Good job to everyone for getting this far though! Super proud of the team and the way we handled ourselves! Hope to see you all next year! A grade had a great win let's get behind them as they move forward.

A Grade: Picola: 37 vs Waaia: 36

Congrats on a tight contested win. Waaia gave us a challenge for the whole 60mins, they never backed down. However we kept our cool and played our game to the very end. Picola Award: Demi Morrison

Preliminary Final - 3rd September

A Grade: Picola: 26 vs Strathmerton: 48

Congratulations to a well-built Strathy team. Although we worked tirelessly, Strathy were the best team on the day. Well done and great effort to our girls for getting this far in the season!



C Grade Semi Final action: Picola Utd's Mikayla Oliver looking to pass to Margot Craig with Waaia's Sam Crook (WA) and Teagan Holmes (WD) defending. Contratulations to Mikayla who played her 50th club game on the day!

A Grade Preliminary Final Action ~ photos courtesy Michelle Legge

~ Photo courtesy Cheryl Thorn



Jessica Beaton gathers the ball with Kimberley McPherson looking on.



Emma Greaves looking to pass the ball.



Grace Byrnes



Well done to the following Picola united players who polled in the PDFL junior & senior football and netball league vote count:

Football

Logan Daniel - equal 6th on 17 votes, in the U17's
Blake Jorgensen - equal 7th with 13 votes, in Seniors
Dan Atkinson - runner up in Reserves

Netball

Jess Legge - equal 9th on 11 votes, in C grade
Natalie Hobbs - 7th, on 10 votes in C Reserve
Sienna Jorgensen - finished in the top 10 in the 13&U with 14 votes

UPCOMING FOOTBALL & NETBALL FINALS

Murray Football Netball League:
Preliminary Final

10th September @ Deniliquin

Grand Final

17th September @ Moama

Picola & District Football Netball League:
Grand Final - 10th September @ Katunga



Nathalia Finals Results

Elimination Final - 13th & 14th August

C Grade: Nathalia 42 def by Deniliquin 67

Girls had a great game and all played their best! Looking forward to next year! Solid game from Alysha Cornell, Sarah Kautai and Lily Smith.

B Grade: Nathalia 32 def Mulwala 28

Good win, way to give the supporters a heart attack! Four quarters of hard played netball, coming from behind to take the W. Well done girls, special mention to Reni, Kirst and Micka having a ripper game all day!

A Grade: Nathalia 39 def Mulwala 26

Tough first quarter until we were able to settle mid way and gain a couple goal lead leading into the first break. From there we really clamped down in defence, turning over many intercepts and taking a comfortable lead by half time. Mulwala fought back in the third but we managed to hold them off and really make sure of the win in the last quarter. Bring on next week! Liv Tilyard, Caitlin and Tegan were solid all game!

U/14's: Nathalia 13.9 def by Cobram 15.8.98

Goal: D. Begley

It was a perfect morning for footy as Nathalia took on Cobram in the first final at Tongala. Cobram started well however and didn't look back. They had most of the play throughout the day and looked a class above. Despite this the boys battled hard with the back six in particular working tirelessly to defend. Riley Barton and Dylan Dohnt in particular both read the ball well and were hard at the contest. It was a disappointing loss, but

fantastic that the boys got a taste of finals action. **Best:** D. Dohnt, R. Barton, L. Lewer, T. Kendall, L. Russell, B. Hatton.



Semi Final - 27th & 28th August

B Grade: Nathalia 35 def Barooga 28

Congratulations girls you are sitting 3 at the moment and 2nd is looking possible.

This week's game was a hotly contested affair against a very young Barooga team, the lead seesawed backwards and forwards with our goalers performing better in the last quarter.

Reni played another good game along with Alysia, Ash, Sophie, Kirst, Michaela and Jessi.

A Grade: Nathalia 31 def Moama 23

Great team game today to get the win! Our defence came out strong and were solid all game. They created multiple turnovers all day and made life very difficult for Moama's goalers. Stacey Ross had another great game where she put her body on the line multiple times! The heat was starting to take its toll late in the last qtr but everyone did well to keep up the intensity and keep creating drive with the added help of fresh legs through the centre. Well done everyone! Bring on the Prelims!

Best: Cait, Tam, Stacey.

U/17's: Nathalia 10.6.66 def Echuca Utd 4.5.29

Goals: J. Dohnt 3, K. Lundberg 2, J. Amery, E. Congues, C. Sheehan, O. Sheehan, J. Vallender

We headed up to Finley to tackle the Echuca United boys in good conditions for footy with a breeze to the northern end. From the outset the game was a fierce one in the contest with both sides desperate to win the contested ball. The Purple boys kicked to the north end in the first quarter and were able to force the ball forward to create several goal scoring options. The pressure applied by both sides in the first half forced rushed kicks forward and required commitment from players to trap the ball and create opportunities for team mates which some of Nathalia's forwards did extremely well.

In the second half the Nathalia boys continued to play team orientated footy, sharing the ball and running to create which provided our forwards with ample opportunities to kick a winning score. There were some really positive passages of play that lead to one on one contests forward which eventually overwhelmed Echuca. The game is defined in the middle and Gus Bramwell not only gave his fellow mids first use but was pivotal in so many contests around the ground. Kai Lundberg ran all day, found a lot of ball and was gutsy when it mattered, Oliver and Charlie Sheehan were consistently good across 4 quarters and bought so many other players into the game. On a big ground like Finley players that can run and create are critical and Harry McDonald and Josh Dohnt worked extremely hard to create and were good enough to win the ball in a lot of critical contest. There were so many other



Above: Nathalia's Dylan Dohnt Under 14's BOG for the Elimination Final.

contributors who played their role for the team that made it a strong Nathalia win. We now again look forward to the week off to work on some improvement areas before heading to Moama. Go Purps! **Best:** G. Bramwell, K. Lundberg, O. Sheehan, C.



Above: Nathalia's Sophie Wilson in B Grade's Semi Final win against Barooga.



Above: Nathalia's Olivia Tilyard in A Grade's Semi Final win against Moama.



Above: Nathalia's Alysha Cornell C Grade in the Elimination Final against Deniliquin.



Congratulations to the following players who have been invited to attend the Murray Football Netball League presentation:

Alysha Cornell

Brodie Ross

Georgia Hansford

Jessi Hicks

Tegan Sutton

Blaise Mortimer - Interleague Coach

Caitlin McLachlan - Interleague Representative

Ella Dealy - Interleague Representative

Emma McDonald - Interleague Coach

Waaia Seniors & C Grade are into the Big Dance!

Semi Finals 21st and 22nd August 2022

Under 13's: Waaia 7 def by Tungamah 29

A tough game for the young bombers although they played a great game against a very strong side. I think what let them down was their passes although their encouragement and talk on the court was awesome! The girls have improved significantly since the start of the season and should be so proud of how far they made it in finals! Well done girls!

Under 17's: Waaia 57 def Tocumwal 30

What an awesome game by the girls! They came out firing from the first whistle and backed each other up on court. Not once did the girls drop the intensity and kept playing fantastic netball for a whole 4 quarters! Very proud of the girls efforts and doing everything asked of them! A massive congratulations to Holly Boyd on runner up and Eloise Walker coming 4th in the league best and fairest.

C Reserve: Waaia 22 def by Katunga 33

We started strong but unfortunately couldn't keep up with Katunga who wanted the win more! We had some great passages of play and should be proud of how far we got! Well done team! Bring on next season!

C Grade: Waaia 42 def Picola United 34

We knew Picola would be a tough match and weren't to be taken lightly. We started the game strongly and went in to quarter time in front. From there we continued to maintain our lead to take home the win. Our defensive pressure gave our attackers plenty of ball which was converted. A great team game with plenty of encouragement over the whole court. It was fantastic to see that pressure applied for the whole game.

B Grade: Waaia 40 def by Strathmerton 45

Strathy came out firing in the 1st quarter taking a 3 goal lead at first break. It took us some time to get our momentum and adjust to the

warmer weather. Our second and third quarter saw us play great netball resulting in us taking a 2 goal lead heading into the final quarter. Unfortunately we weren't able to hold on and Strathy proved they wanted it more. A great game by all.

Be proud of your efforts this season girls. An awesome bunch to coach! Let's go all the way next season!

A Grade: Waaia 36 def by Picola 37

The Bombers finished the season with a fight like no other. Challenging Picola from the first whistle, Waaia played with integrity, camaraderie and persistence. Holly Boyd showcased a dominant performance in the defence, creating vital pressure and turnovers for the entirety of the game. A disappointing finish to an outstanding season, though a fire is burning in the Bombers belly to conquer season 2023.

Reserves: Waaia 4.8.32 def by Berrigan 8.5.53

Goals: B. Carey 2, J. Clarke, S. Hixon

Best: M. Sprunt, N. Cornick, T. Daniel, C. Walpole, E. McDonald, R. Bell

Prelim Finals 3rd September 2022

Under 17's: Waaia 42 def by Katunga 46

Wow what a game. The girls took a while for the nerves of finals to settle throughout the first quarter with some silly errors and we struggled to move the ball forward in attack. Once the girls settled we played more controlled netball and had awesome defensive pressure all game. With a rev up and the girls fired up going into the last quarter we managed to pull back from 5 goals down to even at the end of the game. Unfortunately we couldn't keep our momentum going in the 14 minutes of overtime. We are super proud as coaches of the effort each individual put in all game and not once did

anyone drop their heads and we continued to fight until the final whistle. The girls should be proud of themselves for their season and how far they have come since round 1. Bring on 2023!

C Grade: Waaia 35 def Katunga 34

In a must win game, Katunga came out firing from the very first whistle. After settling into the game the girls matched their energy to peg their way back onto the scoreboard. A great defensive display by all across the court, with plenty of turnovers resulting in much needed scoring opportunities. The final minutes increased everyone's heart rates watching, with the girls sneaking away to victory to win by a goal. Heading into the Grand Final on the back foot of an awesome display of netball. We can do this girls, it's time to bring it home.

Seniors: Waaia 12.11.83 def Katunga 3.8.26

Goals: C. Burrows 6, R. Osborne 2, A. Thompson, J. Trower, L. Wright, S. Richardson, J. Cleland

A massive occasion awaits the boys in red and black after a nice win against Katunga at Tocumwal. A fast start paved the way to victory with hard work from the midfielders and defenders setting up plenty of shots for the forwards who were able to convert early on. Ash Holland gave first use all day and intercepted well around the ground having a massive influence on the game. The second half was much tighter as the game tightened up on the score board. Charlie burrows stood up, up forward, booting 6 and marking everything. It was a whole team effort with no passengers and the result of a 10 goal win a massive reward for effort. Looking forward to a massive week. Best: Ash Holland, Charlie Burrows, Harvey Walker, Jesse Trower, Dylan Cornick, Lachie Karl.



Well done to the following bombers who polled in the PDL junior football and netball league vote count:

Football

Oscar Buckland came 5th on 28 votes

Kaleb Gilmour came 9th with 19 votes

Netball

Lucy Daniel came 19th with 15 votes

Laura Bergamin came 7th on 16 votes

Eloise Walker came 4th on 23 votes

Holly Boyd came runner up on 29 votes

Seniors action from last Sunday's Preliminary Final against Katunga.

Right: Jordan Cleland going for the ball with teammates Ash Holland, Will Foster & Dylan Cornick looking on.

~ Photos courtesy Janet Brooks



Cousins Asher and Archie Carey.



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Nathalia Lawn Bowls



Congratulates to Bev Hutchins on being selected to play for Victoria in the Australian Indoor Bowls Championships.

Nathalia Bowls Club congratulates Bev Hutchins on being selected to play for Victoria in the Australian Indoor Bowls Championships in Devonport, Tasmania. The Championship was held from Monday 22nd August to Saturday 27th August, 2022. Bev competed in the Ladies Fours and the team went down by one shot which kept them from the Bronze Medal position. Nine games were played and the Ladies won six. Bev thoroughly enjoyed being part of the team and appreciated the whole experience.

The Club's Official Opening Day is on Sunday 18th September, 2022. This will comprise of 2 games of 8 ends followed by Afternoon Tea. The Club Champions, Ian Bolton for the Men and Philippa Schapper for the Ladies from Season 21/22 roll the first bowls of the Season to open the greens. Play begins at 1pm.

The **Lawn Bowls Pennant Season** commences on the Tuesday 11th October for Midweek, being played at Nathalia against Picola. Midweek Pennant, which has been moved to Tuesday from Fridays. Saturday

Pennant commences on the 15th October, 2022 also being played at home against Toc Golf. It has been disappointing for the Club to be dropped to Division 3 for Saturday Pennant. This was due to changing the numbers in Teams from 16 to 12,

which meant the bigger Clubs in the region had a surplus of players for Division 1 and it has been ruled by the Murray Bowls Region that Clubs could only have one team competing in Division 1, so creating more teams for Division 2 and so on down through the other Divisions. Also, this does not help smaller Clubs to keep players who want stronger competition for their game.

A lot has been happening in preparation for the Greens to be in tip top condition, all under the guidance of our Greenkeeper, Peter Hutchins. Two Working Bees have taken place in August and the surrounds have needed constant maintenance in the off Season.

The Club has been opening a Friday Night and has had a very successful patronage. Thanks to the volunteers who have made this happen, especially our Bar Manager, Steve Campbell.

Barefoot Bowls will also be held at a date to be announced, so watch this space for details.

We look forward to a successful 2022/2023 season on and off the Greens.

In the Swing at Nathalia Golf Club

On Thursday, the 25th of August four ladies from Nathalia headed to Kyabram Valley View to play in the Ladies Jewellery Day, 4 Ball Best Ball Stroke. With a great result, as Nancy Dunn and Sonia Verlinden won the day with a great score of 69. Lynette Lindsay and Sue Lowe came in 4th with 73 down the line. Congratulations, great job ladies.

WEDNESDAY, August 24 - Ladies Par Round: Congratulations to our winner Alison Keogh with a score of -5, well done.

SUNDAY, August 28 - Fourth Club Championship Men's results, winner Gary Manley net 72, Runner up Tony Brown net 74. NTP Gary Manley.

WEDNESDAY, August 31 - Winner Alison Keogh with 18 points for 9 hole competition.

SUNDAY, September 4 - No results but happy fathers day to all.

A BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY Sue Lowe from all your buddies. Hope you had a lovely day. And Happy Birthday John West have a great day.

Sorry to all those that played over the last 2 weeks for the grass has been a bit long. The mower broke down, but it's all good now, hopefully you don't lose balls anymore.

Volunteers have been working hard to catch up on the spring growth. But they can't do anything about the wet conditions of the course, sorry about that. The course is looking good so get out and enjoy the warmer weather, GREAT GOLFING!



Pictured: Nancy Dunn and Sonia Verlinden winners for, Kyabram Valley View Ladies Jewellery Day, 4 Ball Best Ball Stroke.



Season Start Nathalia Blue Jazz Basketball

Nathalia Blue Jazz Basketball - Under 14's

It was the first game of the season on Thursday 1st of September, against Mooroopna Cats Panthers U14 and both teams came out firing.

Considering this was the first game of basketball most of our team had ever played, it was always going to be a steep learning curve! That didn't faze our boys though and we kept the pressure on a strong Mooroopna side from the start of the game all the way until the final buzzer.

We played a great team game, with everyone getting a share of the ball. Our defensive pressure and the rebound skills of Tyrell James and Hayden Feltham really made Mooroopna have to work hard for every score.

Tyrell got us onto the scoreboard with a 3 pointer from way outside, which got cheers and claps from all the team and our supporters!

Our speed covering the court was incredible, with our small trio, Tyson James, Blair Watson and Duane Shaw all shifting from offence to defence and back to offence again without stopping to take a breath. Harrison Halden applied a lot of pressure on the opposition and came up with the ball on multiple occasions, even scoring a basket.

Its a pleasure coaching these boys and I can't wait to see their skills grow and develop every week, well done boys!

Final Score:
Nathalia Blue Jazz (Shaw) - 5
defeated by
Mooroopna Cats Panthers - 21

