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Thank You Fireys

NATHALIA was awash with the colour red last Friday as the community its annual 'Thank You Fireys' event to honour the incredible job CFA volunteers do. See story page 10.

Fruit fly tree removal program to commence

MOIRA Shire Council will remove a large number of ornamental fruit trees from nature strips, reserves and parks, primarily in Cobram, after receiving funding via Agriculture Victoria's Regional Action Plan Grant 2019-2020.

The action is being taken as part of ongoing efforts to eradicate Queensland fruit fly (QFF) from the region.

Councillors unanimously supported a motion brought at last week's council meeting to proceed with the removal of the trees and replace them with appropriate non-host trees, in consultation with res-

idents and in line with council's tree replacement program.

In addition, it is proposed to plant a further 80 trees currently missing from urban streets.

Agriculture Victoria (AgVic) has provided \$80,000 to remove QFF host plants from nature strips across Moira Shire. This funding must be used, acquitted and reported by May 30, 2020, or it will be lost.

Councillors also voted to re-allocate \$123,000 from the current (2019/20) budget, to fund the replacement of removed and missing street trees to suitable species.

Mayor Libro Mustica said QFF were a serious pest inflicting millions of dollars damage on horticulture Australia-wide, as well as affecting production and trade opportunities locally.

"The insect causes significant damage to fruit crops by 'stinging' the fruit and then infecting them with larvae, and ornamental fruit trees, while unpalatable to humans, are hosts for QFF," Cr Mustica said.

"By being hosts for QFF they are supporting the general population of fruit flies which can then invade and damage commercial orchards.

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**40th
ANNUAL
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EXHIBITION**

OFFICIAL OPENING

**Friday, 6th March 8.30pm
at Numurkah Town Hall**

Wine and cheese tasting followed by supper.

**Friday 6th March 7pm - 10pm
Saturday 7th March 10am - 6pm**

**Sunday 8th March 10am - 6pm
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Summer 2019/20 third warmest on record

THE summer of 2019/2020 is officially over, and based on data dating back to 1910 the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) has declared it to be among the three warmest on record for daytime temperatures for Australia.

Both days and nights were warmer than average across most of the country, and record warm for areas of northern Australia and southern Western Australia.

And despite good rain for some areas in February, summer rainfall was below average for the country as a whole, but particularly dry in western New South Wales, south west Queensland and the Top End. Conversely conditions were wetter than average along coastal areas of NSW and large parts of inland WA.

Bureau climatologist Dr Andrew Watkins said this summer was a tale of two halves, and two main climate drivers.

“At the start of summer, we saw both a very strong positive Indian Ocean Dipole and a near-record negative Southern Annular Mode, and that resulted in both the warmest and driest December on record, with significant fire weather throughout many parts of the country,” Dr Watkins said.

“In January we saw those two drivers return to neutral levels, plus a very late arrival of the northern monsoon which finally brought tropical moisture to the continent.

“As we often see once the monsoon arrives in the north, some of that tropical moisture was dragged south leading to some of the good recent rainfall over the country’s east.

“The rainfall helped contain many of the long-lived bushfires in the east and helped ease drought conditions in some locations. But many inland regions experienced only patchy rainfall and we still need to see sustained rainfall to relieve drought in many areas.

“Although the extra moisture and cloud moderated temperatures compared to the record warm December, January and February will still rank among the 10 warmest on record for the country as a whole.”

Mild outlook for autumn

THE Bureau of Meteorology’s (BOM) autumn outlook for Victoria predicts above average March rainfall to be likely for most parts of the state except the far east, with above average rainfall likely in the west across the entire season.

Overnight temperatures are likely to be warmer than average across the state, however there is no strong push towards warmer or cooler than average daytime temperatures for the autumn period.

Whilst above average daytime and overnight temperatures appear likely across most of Australia, there is no clear signal for daytime temperatures in the south.

Most of the country has a neutral rainfall outlook for autumn, with no strong climate push towards wetter or drier than average conditions. March, however, may be wetter than average in the south, and drier than average in parts of the north.

BOM climatologist Dr Andrew Watkins said it was important to understand that autumn is historically a time of year when our main climate drivers can change from one state to another.

“Typically, in autumn our main climate drivers are resetting, which means they’re exerting less influence on our weather patterns,” Dr Watkins said.

“The low likelihood of widespread above or below average rainfall is largely due to our significant climate drivers – such as the El Niño–Southern Oscillation or the Indian Ocean Dipole – being neutral. We’re not expecting these neutral patterns to change over the season.”

“This means we can expect our weather over the coming month or two to be driven by more local conditions, and that makes the seven-day forecast an important tool for assessing upcoming rainfall.

“By winter, we will have an even clearer indication if this will change, and hence what the weather will look like for the rest of 2020.”



Caring ... Mary Rose Hookey still fills a caring role for husband Laurie, even though he now lives in Karinya.

NCN gets grant to care for local carers

NCN Health has received a grant of \$16,470 from the Victorian Government to provide a support program for local carers.

The grant is part of \$4 million to be spent over four years to support carers and make improvements in carer conditions statewide.

NCN Health will use the funding to deliver a project across Numurkah, Nathalia and Cobram.

NCN Health Numurkah campus primary health manager Robyn Sprunt said a main focus of the project will be to support carers to come together to increase social connectedness in a safe and supportive environment.

“Caring for a loved one can be difficult. It can be an isolating experience; especially in a rural area,” she said.

“We want to recognise and acknowledge the incredibly important role that carers play in the

lives of many of our local residents, our health setting and the wider community.”

The project will aim to increase opportunities for local carers to come together, connect with each other in the local community and learn about available community supports, services and resources to support them to maintain their physical, emotional and mental health and well-being.

The project will also look to support a dedicated carer support worker to assist to build local relationships and strong community networks for carers.

“We will look to provide events across the NCN Health catchment where carers can gain knowledge about, and access supports and services aiming to foster collaborative relationships between consumers, carers and our health service,” Ms Sprunt said.

Mary Rose Hookey, who has been caring for husband Laurie since 2014, both at home and since he moved into Karinya, said that emotional support is vital for carers - especially from those who know from experience what you are going through.

“Being a carer for a loved one is a hard road to travel but you have no choice but to travel it,” she said.

“It can be especially hard if you’re thrown into it suddenly, like I was, and experience a massive sudden change in your life. There are so many emotions like grief and worry that you experience and there are different stages to it.

“Close friends can be supportive, but they don’t understand what you’re going through the same way that someone else going through it does, so having support from those peers is essential.”

Rotary art exhibition attracting excellent entries

THE Rotary Club of Numurkah’s 40th annual art and craft exhibition has received excellent entries in the art, photographic and craft sections, ensuring another outstanding exhibition.

Regarded as one of the best art exhibitions in regional Victoria, entries have been received from local artists as well as artists throughout Victoria, South Australia, New South Wales and Queensland, ensuring this year’s exhibition will again live up to its stellar reputation.

Thanks to the generous support of exhibitors, sponsors and the community, the exhibition has raised over \$274,000 for local charities since it began in 1980.

This year’s show features 20 awards with prize money totalling \$10,000.

Art judge Ben Winspear is an award winning Melbourne based artist who works in oil, watercolour and sculpture, as well as tutoring at the Victorian Artists’ Society.

Ben’s work runs the full spectrum from representational through to abstraction, frequently combining both. He paints a wide range of subject matter; anything that inspires him at the time, but his love for the Australian landscape is something that stands out.

Ben will select the best in show entry plus a runner-up, best in oil, watercolour, pastel, and regional artist, and Moira Arts & Culture Inc. encouragement award for Moira Shire residents.

These awards are non-acquisitive and, as such, are available for purchase, or a sponsor’s acquisition. A further 10 painting awards are sponsored acquisitions with winners selected by the sponsor.

The major sponsor is Numurkah Home Hardware, which provides the \$2,000 painting award.

In the craft section, there are seven awards including best craft exhibit, as well as awards for fibres, threads and beads, framed needlework, quilt, art quilt and craft award.

This year, the theme of the novelty craft sec-

tion, in which works can be made in any medium, is Australiana. Always an audience favourite, this section is guaranteed to attract a range of weird and wonderful entries.

The magnificent quilt entries are also a perennial audience favourite which, along with the other craft sections, will be judged by Claire Reid.

Claire is a textile teacher at Numurkah Secondary College and has worked in a wide variety of textile mediums from pattern and dress-making to lace making.

In conjunction with the exhibition, the Rotary Club is raffling a watercolour painting by Dawn Macdonald - ‘Mottlecak’ valued at \$525.

Rotary District Governor Brian Peters will officially open the exhibition at 8.30pm on Friday evening.

The opening night will feature a wine and cheese tasting courtesy of Monichino Wines and Locheilan Cheese, with musical entertain-

ment provided by Geoff Austin.

Following the official opening, the judges will announce the winners in the various sections, with their comments. The evening concludes with supper.

Visitors are invited to be a judge and cast their vote for the art or craft work of their choice for the People’s Choice Award. This award has proved popular since its introduction, with \$100 awarded to the winning artist.

The exhibition will be open to the public from 7pm on Friday, March 6, from 10am to 6pm on Saturday and Sunday March 7 and 8, and from 10am to 4pm on Monday, March 9.

Admission for opening night, which includes supper, is \$8 per person, whilst admission for the remaining days is \$5 per person. Admission price includes a copy of the catalogue of the works on display.

Light refreshments will be available throughout the weekend.



Last year’s best in show ... Former Rotary Club of Numurkah President Stephen Mills and Independent Member for Shepparton District Suzanna Sheed with last year’s best in show winner Bridge Over the Namoi painted by Kasey Sealy.

Council votes to seek MPs help with corellas

MOIRA Shire Council has voted to seek support from local members of parliament to advocate on behalf of local communities for assistance managing little corella populations.

The motion, which was brought by Cr John Beitzel and seconded by Cr Kevin Bourke, was passed unanimously at council's regular monthly meeting last Wednesday.

In response to a question from Cr Wendy Buck regarding what outcome council was hoping for from MPs advocating on its behalf on the issue, given that little corellas are a protected species, Cr Beitzel said that the aim was to get them taken off the protected species list.

Cr Beitzel said that this is not a knee-jerk reaction.

"Numurkah has been fighting this problem for probably eight to 10 years," he said.

"There is an absolutely massive number of these birds in and around Numurkah; they are probably in plague proportion.

"The damage they do to infrastructure is quite substantial, but the sad thing is, it's not just infra-

structure - along the creek they have destroyed trees that won't come back."

Cr Kevin Bourke, who described the birds as 'these little characters', said they were very destructive and that their numbers and habits were having a detrimental effect on farmland, infrastructure and private property alike.

"I defy anyone who says that their numbers are not greater than before and they are just in more concentrated groups," he said.

"There are more of them than ever before, and it's too many."

Cr Peter Lawless noted that the little corellas are causing issues right across Moira Shire, citing complaints from farmers at Bundalong, and damage caused to the Tungamah recreation reserve.

The minutes of the meeting state that, though council had recently provided financial support to undertake a cull of corellas that were causing damage to the recreation reserve at Numurkah, this approach has not proven to be successful over the longer term.

The minutes state that support from the state



to help our communities manage little corella populations would ideally include financial assistance, improved sharing of information, research to evaluate the success of various management options and declaring little corellas as unprotected wildlife in certain circumstances.

Independent MP for Shepparton District Suzanne Sheed visited Numurkah last month to gain insight into the issue, and subsequently wrote to Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, Lily D'Ambrosio, regarding the problems little corellas pose in the town.

Victoria taking action to fight COVID-19

THE Victorian Government is taking action to prepare Victoria's health system for the continued spread of COVID-19 - commonly referred to as corona virus.

At present, there have been 33 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Australia, including nine in Victoria. There have now also been two confirmed cases of human-to-human transmission of COVID-19 in New South Wales.

Victoria's chief health officer briefed the cabinet yesterday and confirmed that Victoria is well prepared for dealing with COVID-19.

To stop the spread of COVID-19, the Victorian Government is currently:

- Monitoring and investigating cases as they occur, identifying and sharing accurate information about the virus on a timely basis.
- Working with the Commonwealth Govern-

ment to ensure the primary care sector has the appropriate clinical knowledge, response and capacity available to treat patients.

- Communicating with at-risk groups about preventive actions they can take to further reduce transmission.
- Preparing hospital surge management activities to be ready for potential increased demand as COVID-19 spreads.

A statement from the State Government said that, while COVID-19 has not been declared a pandemic, there is a high probability that the virus will spread and impact more Victorians.

Victorian Minister for Health Jenny Mikakos said Victoria's health services, including our hospitals and emergency services, have existing pandemic arrangements in place, which are ready to be activated if they are required.

"All of us can play our part when it comes to stopping the spread of this virus – please heed the health warnings and avoid public places if you are in the at-risk groups," she said.

The government is also providing \$6 million to the Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity, which is working with the Burnet Institute and other experts to fast-track new treatments and vaccines for COVID-19.

The government statement said it is preparing to take additional targeted action if medical experts advise it to do so, including:

- Ramping up public communication with more information about preventing infection by COVID-19 and other disease control strategies.
- Increasing space in hospitals for urgent and critical care, and considering the delay of non-urgent care or procedures, such as elective surgery.

- Providing different models of care to reduce public exposure, such as telehealth.

The easiest way to protect yourself and your family from infection is to wash your hands regularly and cover your mouth and nose with your elbow when coughing or sneezing.

If you've been in mainland China or Iran in the past 14 days or you've been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, you're advised to stay at home, and avoid public places.

If you are returning from Italy or South Korea, and you work as a healthcare worker or as a residential aged care worker, you should not attend your regular work for 14 days.

If you fall into the risk groups and suspect you may have COVID-19, call the dedicated hotline, serviced by Nurse-On-Call, on 1800 675 398.

cultural diversity week

15 MARCH	NUMURKAH COMMUNITY HOUSE AND GARDEN Sunday 15 March 10am – 2pm Cultural Diversity Community Celebration showcasing the community's diversity – various activities including food, art, dance, music and stories. Enquiries to 03 5862 2249.
18 MARCH	YARRAWONGA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE Wednesday 18 March 10am – 12noon (Lunch 12.15pm – 2pm) Indigenous artist Dr Treahna Hamm to run a traditional basket weaving workshop. BYO lunch – bring a dish to share from you heritage and share the story behind it. Enquiries to 03 5744 3911.
20 MARCH	COBRAM COMMUNITY HOUSE Friday 20 March 9.30am – 11.30am or 1pm – 3pm (2 sessions) Curiosity, Conversation, Community – cultural food preparation demonstrations followed by morning or afternoon tea. Enquiries to 03 5872 2224.
20 MARCH	COBRAM LIBRARY Friday 20 March 10.30am – 11.30am Story time and activities – read stories that celebrate and reflect our community's diversity. Come dressed in your traditional dress. Enquiries to 1300 374 765.

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE

One-off Arts and Culture plus Community Strengthening Grant applications – closing soon

Don't miss your opportunity to apply for a Community Strengthening Minor Grant (up to \$5,000) or a one-off Arts and Culture Grant (up to \$10,000).

If you need funding for an event or to improve facilities or services or you have an arts project you would like to pursue, then these grants are for you.

For more details on how to apply, go to our website.

Applications close 5pm Friday 13 March

If you require assistance completing your application give us a call.

If you require access to a computer, libraries across the shire have computers available for public use.

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Hanging up the hats ... Anna Newham has enjoyed being a hat-maker, but is glad to move on.

Anna hangs up her hats

NUMURKAH crafter Anna Newham has made her last woolly hat, and she’s not one bit sad about it.

For the past 30 years, Anna has been knitting and felting pure wool hats and supplying them to stores across Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia and New South Wales under the name of ‘That’s Woolley Ewe’.

Anna - who had a couple of friends help with the knitting - said she has lost count of how many of the hats she has produced over the years, but knows it must be in the thousands.

“Normally I would be working on them all the time,” she said.

“I have worked on other things over the years as well, but the hats were very time-consuming and it was quite demanding.”

Anna got into the hat business when she sold a few to a shop that stocked her Aussie Tots

lambswool slippers that she had been making for a decade.

“They loved the hats, which were very popular with tourists, and told me to ditch the slippers and concentrate on the hats, so I did.”

However, after three decades, Anna has decided enough is enough and called time on the venture in mid-February.

“I have a couple of dozen that are knitted but need to be finished off with felting and details, but that’s not going to take much,” she said.

“I feel really free not having the pressure of working on the hats all the time to fill orders and it’s a wonderful feeling.

“I’ve got time to work on other things now. I loved quilting, and I always had to squeeze that in around the hats but now I have all the time in the world for it.”



Friends of Molochio Twinning Group – Expressions of Interest

Expressions of Interest are being sought for community representatives on the Friends of Molochio Twinning Group.

This ‘friends of’ group will establish a cultural, educational and social exchange with the municipality of Molochio, Italy and Moira Shire Council and will be responsible for fulfilling the undertakings of the exchange contained in the twinning agreement.

This twinning agreement is an opportunity to reinforce and formalise the relationship between the two municipalities.

For more information or to request an information pack, please contact our friendly Customer Service team.

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Respect the forest this firewood season

THE autumn 2020 firewood collection season officially started in north east Victoria on Sunday, and closes on Tuesday, June 30.

Hume Forest Fire Management Victoria’s (FFMVic) Deputy Chief Fire Officer Aaron Kennedy said staff had been working across the region to ensure firewood could be collected from designated areas on public land when the season started.

“Due to recent bushfires in north east Victoria, there will be some changes to firewood availability, and we’re working on a plan to make firewood available to the community in other areas,” he said.

“Information and updates, including interactive maps showing designated collection areas, are available at www.ffm.vic.gov.au/firewood, or you can call 136 186 to find out more.

“Many of the firewood collection areas near Walwa and Nariel Valley that were open last spring are fire impacted and are not yet available for collection.

“Areas unaffected by fire that are suitable for collection have been identified and will be available by viewing the online maps, and we’re also working to make further firewood available in other areas as soon as possible.

“We want to remind the public that firewood can only be taken from designated collection areas in state forests or parks during approved times and for personal use only and cannot be sold. These designated areas are put in place to protect sites of cultural and environmental significance.

“When collecting, people must stay within collection limits, which are a maximum of two cubic metres per person per day, and a maximum of 16 cubic metres per household per year.

“The felling of trees for firewood is strictly prohibited and our authorised officers will be patrolling parks, forests and reserves to ensure people are doing the right thing,” Mr Kennedy said.

Chief Conservation Regulator Kate Gavens said the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning takes a zero-tolerance approach to illegal firewood collection, given the negative impacts it has on forest health, wildlife habitat, public safety and the sustainability of firewood resources that local communities rely on.

If there is a fire danger risk, the firewood collection season may be shortened.

Firewood collection areas near planned burns may close for public safety.

To check where burns are happening go to www.ffm.vic.gov.au/firewood or call 136 186.

Under the Forest Act 1958, people who collect firewood outside designated collection areas or season, or take more than the maximum allowable amounts, can face fines of up to \$8,261, or a maximum penalty of one-year imprisonment or both, if the matter proceeded to court.

For any further information on firewood collection or to report illegal or suspicious behaviour in public land areas, please contact the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning on 136 186.

We are planning for Numurkah’s future!



NUMURKAH COMMUNITY PLANNING SURVEY

We would love to find out what you think about living, working and playing in Numurkah, and what could make it even better!

Please complete the Numurkah Community Planning Survey online at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NumComPlan>

Have your say!

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Survey closes Friday 6 March

For more information, please contact the Community Development Team at Moira Shire Council on info@moira.vic.gov.au or 5871 9222.

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Tractor drivers wanted for fire recovery

WITH the fire threat eased in the Upper Murray, fire affected dairy farmers are turning their attention to the dual tasks of repairing the damage and keeping the business running.

Lachlan Barnes from Murray Dairy and Alpine Valleys Dairy Inc. said that the organisation is currently receiving a lot of calls and messages from people keen to help dairy farmers impacted by the recent Upper Murray fires.

“When we ask what would really make a difference in the recovery, we keep hearing that just having somebody with experience to sit on a tractor would be really welcome,” Mr Barnes said.

“If yourself or somebody you know - recently retired farmers spring to mind - would have the time and inclination, we can put you in touch directly with fire affected farmers to see if you can make something work.”

Mr Barnes said that dairy farmers from other regions are making generous offers of labour and skills, cow parking etc., and just want to make sure they can be linked in a coordinated way.

“We are collating these offers so when access is opened up we can work with the affected farmers to make efficient use of these offers,” he said.

If you are interested in helping out with the fire recovery effort, please contact Lachlan Barnes at Murray Dairy on 0438 092 352 to express an interest.

Designer brand with a little extra

AFTER years in the business, Sharon Taylor from Numurkah’s Louis Hamon Amcal Pharmacy knows a good cosmetic buy when she sees it, and she’s seeing it every day on the shelves at work.

Seeing the wide range of Designer Brands products now available at the pharmacy is a source of pride for Sharon, who has been working on the getting the brand in for over a year.

“Designer Brands is such a great product on so many levels, it is a real asset to be able to stock it,” she said.

A look into the brand’s details makes it easy to agree with Sharon.

Designer Brands is 100% vegan, not tested on animals, most of its products retail for less than \$20 each and come with extra features, and it has great customer incentives.

Sharon uses the products herself, and is hard pressed to choose a favourite.

“I’m wearing the lipstick and nail polish right now and they’re both so good,” she said.

“All of their products tick a number of different boxes and these two are great examples of that.

“The lipsticks are just beautiful; they’re long-lasting and moisturising so they’re a pleasure to wear. The nail polishes are sensational as well. The range of colours is great and they’re non-chip so I know they’ll keep looking good until I’m ready for a change.

“Then you look at the eyebrow kits and they contain absolutely everything you need - including stencils. You just buy the one product at a reasonable price.”

The list goes on and on - lip-plumping treatments, mascaras with fibre extension elements that make your lashes look longer, mineral foundations and quality men’s and women’s fragrances for just \$10 each.

It’s easy to see why Sharon is excited, and it’s no stretch to imagine that customers - new and old - will be fairly excited too.

“One of the great things about Designer Brands is that they’re always good value, but they also always have great promotions as well.

“At the moment, if you buy three products you



Excellent range ... Louis Hamon Amcal Pharmacy’s Sharon Taylor and Jayna Lee are excited to be able to offer the Designer Brands range to customers.

get to choose one of two make-up removal products for free - and that’s on top of a launch promotion of a free gift with purchase while stocks last.

“They also have a loyalty card where you get a stamp every time you make a purchase and every time your card is full you get a free product.

“We’re waiting for the cards to come in, but if customers keep their receipts for any purchase they make in the meantime, we’ll honour those with stamps when the cards arrive.

“You can’t really go wrong buying Designer Brands. I’m so pleased to be able to offer it here in Numurkah.”

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Goodstart Early Learning Numurkah

OOPS! Our recent photo feature showing this year's Numurkah and district kinder kids had one vital omission - the 2020 Numurkah Goodstart Early Learning kinder class. Here they are in all their glory; how could we have forgotten about these gorgeous little faces?

Kinder kids ... Back: (From left) Hunter O'Dwyer, Seth Willmott-Setford, Thea Atkinson, Parker Patching, Thomas Kauter.
Front: Kindergarten teacher Takarlya Fraser, Benji Dunstone, Tobias Sands, Lealand Alexander, Ruby Clark.



Vic transport infrastructure getting greener

VICTORIA will soon be home to some of Australia's most sustainable infrastructure, with the State Government's introduction of a program to boost the use of recycled and reused materials in construction projects.

With over 100 major road and rail projects either under way or in the planning stages across the state, the introduction of the Recycled First program represents an opportunity to drive significant change in the reuse of construction waste material.

Recycled First will build new requirements into future projects under the Major Transport Infrastructure Authority, bringing a uniform approach to the use of recycled products and driv-

ing innovation in sustainable materials.

The program will incorporate recycled and reused materials that meet existing standards for road and rail projects – with recycled aggregates, glass, plastic, timber, steel, ballast, crushed concrete, crushed brick, crumb rubber, reclaimed asphalt pavement and organics taking precedence over brand new materials.

Companies interested in delivering major transport infrastructure projects will be required to demonstrate how they will prioritise recycled and reused materials while maintaining compliance and quality standards.

Coupled with Victoria's extractive resources strategy, using new high-quality recycled alter-

natives for major projects will drive lower-cost infrastructure by reducing reliance on raw materials.

Work is already under way with current construction partners to ensure more recycled content is being used on major projects, in addition to the new Recycled First requirements.

The M80 Ring Road, Monash Freeway and South Gippsland Highway upgrades will use more than 20,000 tonnes of recycled materials, and 190 million glass bottles will be used in surfaces on the \$1.8 billion western roads upgrade.

Recycled demolition material was also used to build extra lanes along 24 kilometres of the Tullamarine Freeway as well as the Monash Freeway

and M80 Ring Road.

The Labor Government is also reusing materials created by its own projects, with 14,000 tonnes of soil excavated from the Metro Tunnel site in Parkville now being used in pavement layers on roads in Point Cook. This material weighs as much as 226 E-class Melbourne trams and would otherwise have gone to landfill.

Almost 56 million tyres are discarded nationally every year, but just 10 per cent are recycled. Researchers have started trialling the use of crumbed tyre rubber on busy metropolitan roads, with the asphalt to be tested on a kilometre and a half section of East Boundary Road in Bentleigh East.



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Apply for funding to invest in on-farm drought preparedness and resilience, pasture management and recovery and farm business planning.

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For more information on available drought support visit agriculture.vic.gov.au/dryseasons or call **136 186**.

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This week in 1920 ...

To celebrate the State Library of Victoria's digitising of the war years editions of the Numurkah Leader, each week we will include the news of the week, 100 years ago.

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Irrigation Meeting.—By advertisement in another column landholders and others interested in endeavoring to secure an extension of the Eastern Goulburn irrigation scheme to the Kaarimba, Mundoona and other districts will be held in the Kaarimba Hall on Monday night of next week, 8th March at 8 o'clock. At this meeting much useful information, it is stated, Will be given. Mr J. Findlay will lay before those in attendance a map drawn by Mr Dickinson, the engineer to the Shire of Numurkah, in which is shown the districts capable of being watered from the Eastern Goulburn channel.

There are some who say that the contour of the land is such that water could not be got on to it, but Mr Dickinson's levels disprove this, so that the main question to be considered will be the advisability of agitating for the expansion of the scheme to embrace the districts referred to. The question is a most important one to the district, and it is hoped by the conveners that there will be a thoroughly representative attendance of district landholders at the meeting.

A TRIP TO "OLD BERRIGAN"
A.N.S.W. CLEARING SALE

When Messrs R. Kilpatrick and F.H. Tuthill generously extended us an invitation to accompany them to the clearing sale at "Old Berrigan," in order to "see how a clearing sale is conducted in N.S.W." we hesitated not a moment, but graciously agreed to lend our presence to the occasion. We were not conscious of the thought, but the knowledge that at a sale "over the river" a few days before 216 gallons of beer were dispensed, as well as a huge quantity of tea and ordinary cold water (though why tea and water should be provided we know not), may have affected our sub-conscious selves and made us the more ready to make the trip. Anyhow we went. The occasion was the clearance of the plant, etc., in connection with the "Old Berrigan" station, -the sale being conducted by Messrs Kilpatrick. McLellan & Co. and Messrs H. H. Haines and Co. The time fixed for the departure was seven a.m., which meant an early rise, and incidentally provided material for an article on the benefits and joys of early rising, which we may traverse at some future time. There were five cars ready for the trip, but owing to the non-arrival of some of those who had booked seats, one car went without its full complement, though the car we were in was kept back until 7.45. At Mr Tuthill's invitation we took a seat, alongside him in one of the firm's Oaklands (for which car, and for the Ford, they are agents) and a start was made.

On the road we picked up Messrs Henry Berry and Tom Walsh, and called on Mr Bob Adams, who, however, was unable to make the trip. Mr Jack Rockliff completed our little party.

No stop was made on the trip, which is an evidence of the sobriety of the crowd. We skirted Strathmerton and ran straight through Cobram, where we had pointed out to us again the wonderful influence a little drop of water has on the sandyland, there. This house was pointed out to us as having changed hands at £800, a small orange grove being the greatest, factor in determining what is a high price for Cobram township properties. That house, standing in an acre and a quarter, was shown us as having been sold for a good round sum, the fruit from the garden (it is scarcely large enough to term an orchard) bringing the owner in £150 a year—a fine return for the money put into the place.

Further on and over half a mile from the river, was shown land that had changed hands at £20 an acre. By this time we were through the township of Cobram, but as we flashed past we saw the bright little bowling green, and in the Court-house park a huge flagpole, 85 feet some inches high, that has been erected as a rather novel memorial to district soldiers. The Oaklands took us in good style across the wind-swept plains to Berrigan, which town we reached in an hour and three-quarters — good travelling considering the "stops" we had enroute (not, as we have pointed out, at any of the townships, in case readers should commence asking questions). Running right through Berrigan, a haze of dust told us that on that day "all roads led to Old Berrigan, but the traffic was all horsedrawn, and we had no difficulty in "passing everything on the road," and getting into the clearer atmosphere.

Wombats rule the pool at Strathy

IT'S a short walk from Strathmerton Primary School to the public pool next door, but it provided ample time for students to psych themselves up ahead of the school-wide swimming carnival last week.

Coming on the back of two weeks of swimming lessons, the carnival provided an opportunity for students to display their skills in a range of events.

With everything from freestyle races to novelty events like boogie board and noodle races on the schedule, there was something for every age and skill level.

No matter how they performed in the pool, students were nothing if not passionate as they displayed their house colours and roared their house chants poolside to encourage other competitors.

At the end of a day of spirited, but good-natured, competition, the house known as the Wombats emerged victorious, followed by the Turtles, with the Emus and Koalas tying for third.

Whilst the Wombats ruled the team stakes, the girls dominated individually, with both the winner and runner-up - Ella Wood and Amy Wyatt - of the mixed freestyle champion event being female.

However, win, runner-up or draw, a great day was had by all.



Something for everyone ... Junior students had a ball in the noodle races.



Girls rule ... Freestyle champion Ella Wood (at left) and runner up Amy Wyatt.



Proud wombats ... Wombats house captains Herc Hunter and Ella Wood happily display the winners shield with house teacher Rachel Olson.

2020 duck hunting season arrangements announced

THE Victorian Government has announced arrangements for the 2020 duck hunting season, including changes to the season length, opening weekend start times and the daily bag limit.

The Game Management Authority (GMA), which provided its advice on the 2020 duck hunting season to the State Government prior to the height of the summer bushfires in Victoria, said the restricted season is a necessary response to the prolonged dry conditions that have led to low duck numbers and reduced habitat.

The GMA has subsequently advised the government that the bushfires have had a minimal direct impact on current duck populations and habitat.

The 2020 season will start at 8am on Saturday, May 2, and will last five weeks, closing 30 minutes after sunset on Monday, June 8.

Hunters will be restricted to three game ducks per day throughout the season, with the hunting of blue-winged shoveler prohibited for the entire season.

During the opening weekend, hunting can start at 8am on both days and must cease by 30 minutes after sunset.

For the rest of the season, hunting can start

half an hour before sunrise and must stop half an hour after sunset.

The arrangements for the 2020 duck season are based on analysis of habitat and waterbird surveys conducted across eastern Australia and other data relating to game duck abundance, habitat distribution and climate.

The GMA and partner agencies, including Victoria Police, will be patrolling both public lands and private properties to ensure compliance with hunting, animal welfare and public safety laws.

As in previous years, the GMA will continue to monitor conditions in the lead up to, and during, the season. Where warranted, wetlands may be closed to hunting to protect concentrations of rare threatened species.

Seven of the eight species of game duck can be hunted during 2020; pacific black duck, mountain duck, chestnut teal, grey teal, pink-eared duck, wood duck and hardhead.

Hunters must immediately retrieve all downed game ducks and salvage at least the breast meat of harvested ducks.

Details of the 2020 duck season, including any wetland closures, will be regularly updated on the GMA website www.gma.vic.gov.au.

Half of retirees struggling financially

ALMOST 40% of recent Australian retirees are struggling financially, a new survey reveals.

The survey commissioned by Industry Super Australia also shows that instead of kicking their feet up, more than a quarter of the recently retired had to go back to work - many to keep the lights on.

It also reveals that retirement was thrust upon almost 45% of workers, meaning the more they can put towards their savings during their working life the better prepared they'll be when it ends.

Thirty-eight percent of the 734 people surveyed reported either they were living on a very tight budget with only enough for essentials, or that they were not making ends meet - a spike of 8% from a similar 2010 research report.

In 2019, 20% of retirees said their golden years were not as comfortable as they expected.

And the gender pay gap persists in super – with the average pre-retiree woman (\$190,000) having just more than half the balance of men (\$340,000), this gender inequality can partly be attributed to women spending on average 12 years less in full-time work.

Katunga blasts colour for Jake

KATUNGA recreation reserve was a major location in Jake O'Hara's day to day life.

He was a member of the rec reserve committee, captain of the seniors footy team and Auskick coach and coordinator.

So it's not difficult to imagine that, on Sunday, he was smiling down at the antics going on at his second home, and perhaps feeling a little humble that, ultimately, it was all inspired by him.

The rec reserve was a scene of joyful shenanigans as around 300 people from the wider Katunga community gathered to raise community awareness and funds to battle Cruetzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) - a rare degenerative brain disease from which Jake died in 2014.

Katunga FNC secretary Rachael Howden described Jake as a great community man.

"Everybody around here knew and loved him," she said.

"He was always the first to put his hand up to help with anything. The rec reserve was a place that he was really committed to, and he saw it as a place for the entire community - for all ages - so I think he would have been really pleased and honoured to see everyone here having so much fun."

Participants took part in either a 2km or 5km run, getting blasted with water and powdered dyes along the way before an all-in colour blast on the oval.

It was a true whole-of-community event, supported by the Katunga recreation reserve committee of management, the Katunga cricket and tennis clubs, Katunga and Strathmerton fire brigades and a range of local businesses and individuals.

The event raised approximately \$3,000 for CJD, which will be donated to the Sydney-based CJD Support Group Network, which had three representatives at Sunday's event.

CJD is a disease which occurs totally by chance, and with no screening test or cure available. All current treatment is purely supportive and based on reducing pain and discomfort.

The CJD Support Group Network puts all funds donated to it towards researching a cure and supporting patients and their families, with no donated money used for wages or administration.

Jake's widow Colleen attended the event, along with their son Lachy, Jake's parents, and his brothers and their families, and said she was blown away by the attendance.

"It was so amazing, and Andrea Kelly and Bruce Richardson did such a great job organising it. The representatives from the CJD network were amazed by the turn out and by what an incredibly supportive community we have here in Katunga," she said.

Colleen said it was the kind of event Jake would have loved.

"He would have been right in the thick of it and everyone in his vicinity would have been getting absolutely blasted with colour."



Not taking it lying down ... Jake O'Hara's widow Colleen O'Hara with Sydney CJD Support Group network representatives Suzanne and Tara helping bring some colour in the darkness.



Big turn out ... Around 300 people gathered at Katunga rec reserve on Sunday to have fun and raise money.



Can't outrun the colour ... Bridie Kelly and Ruby Sprunt lead the pack as they run the colour gauntlet.



Having a ball ... Lily Few might not know much about CJD, but she knows a fun day out when she has one.



All in it together ... CFA volunteer Scott Adams lined up with members of the Nathalia community for a slap up lunch in honour of the Nathalia brigade.

Nathalia district thanks its fireys

NATHALIA was awash with the colour red last Friday as the community came together to hold its sixth annual 'Thank You Fireys' event to honour the incredible job CFA volunteers do, and raise money for much needed equipment.

This year's event was the biggest ever, as the Thank You Fireys day committee collaborated with communities right across Nathalia district to raise money for Barmah, Picola, Kotupna, Strathmerton and Waaia CFA brigades, as well as Nathalia.

Whilst the hub of thank you fireys day was, as always, the sausage sizzle held in Apex Park from 10am, the tentacles of the event stretched much further.

School students from kindergarteners right through to year 12s got in on the action with 'colour runs' held at Nathalia Preschool, Nathalia Primary School and Nathalia Secondary College across Thursday and Friday.

Unlike most colour runs however, there was only one type of coloured powder being thrown around - red.

Nathalia Secondary College's colour run was organised by year nine students as part of the 'Advance' community service course.

Chris Barnard, one of the teachers of the course, said organising a community event had many benefits for students.

"It helps them develop skills such as planning, team work and communication, but there is much more to it than that," he said.

"One of the major drives behind Advance is connecting the students with community and having them learn, through doing, that paying it forward has benefits beyond the obvious.

"They've done a really good job."

For a small donation, participants could run the gauntlet of fire hoses and coloured powder whilst contending with a range of obstacles and tasks to complete along the way.

Year nine student Tianey Curtis said that organising the event was hard work, but worth it.

"There was a lot involved, and it was harder to organise than I thought it would be, but it's been so much fun and it's good to be raising money for the community," she said.

Thank you fireys day committee member Leanne Pell said Tianey's comments proved that getting the schools involved in the event had been successful.

"We wanted the young people to get involved, not just to increase the amount of money we raised, but also to help them see the benefits of putting into their community and volunteering their time and energy, because that's what keeps small communities going," she said.

Conspicuous by their absence from this year's

Thank You Fireys day were the red balloons that have been synonymous with the event in previous years.

In recognition of the environmental damage they cause, balloons had been replaced with a much more sustainable option - again, with a fund raising angle.

Technically, the balloons were still there, but they had been covered in paper and glue to create paper mâché art works which are being auctioned to benefit the cause.

Schools, preschools, community members and local artists have taken on the challenge to decorate balloons, with the results on exhibition at the GRAINstore until this Friday, March 6.

The auction is by a silent bidding process, with money raised from the sale of each art work going to the brigade that has been nominated by the work's creators. The higher the bid, the higher the donation to a brigade.

Although the final figure of funds raised by thank you fireys 2020 won't be known until after the auction is complete, funds raised on Friday already exceed \$3,000.

Leanne Pell said the committee is ecstatic.

"It's such a great result - not just for Nathalia, but for the other towns involved as well," she said.

"All of the brigades in the area help each other

out, but some of the smaller towns have a fairly limited fund raising capacity, so it is great to have them work with us and spread the money and help them get some more money out there."

Nathalia CFA volunteer Scott Admas, who acts as the brigade's liaison to the Thank You Fireys Day committee told the *Leader* the brigade was grateful for the efforts of the committee and the support from the community.

"The event is a major fund raiser for us and without it we just wouldn't be able to raise the funds we need for vital equipment and amenities," he said.

"The committee does a great job and a lot of local businesses get behind them with sponsorship to put the event on so they can just focus on raising money.

"It just gets bigger and better every year and the whole brigade loves it and loves being part of it.

"It's great to see the whole community getting behind us. We had a lot of fun spraying the kids with water at the colour runs this year, and the kids had a ball too."

Scott said the money from this year's event will go towards building an amenities block at the fire station.

Bids on the paper mâché balloons can be made by contacting the GRAINstore, or texting Leanne Pell on 0428 662 387, or Andrea Sutton on 0407 329 255.



Aftermath ... Being the first through Nathalia Secondary College's colour run course didn't mean that year 12 students Jayden Boxall and Bailey Fordham got off easy.



Unique auction items ... Work placement student Alysha Poar admires the paper mâché balloons made by a range of artists on display at the GRAINstore for bidding on.

Letters to the Editor

Rezoning is not an anomaly

I THOUGHT it might be helpful if some further information was known to your readers in relation to 34 Ritchie Road Cobram.

Firstly, lets clear up a few discrepancies in the letter to the editor last week.

There has not been a previous attempt to rezone the land to Commercial 1 as suggested by the author. There was an application for a caravan park which was refused on the basis that it did not align with the Cobram strategy plan, which has been earmarked for this site for many years as a potential future business park.

This potential was confirmed in the more recent Major Towns strategy report and the latest independent planning report which is now on exhibition.

It's not correct to say that councils normally rely on owners to apply for rezonings. Our recent four towns strategy and the work of the VPA in Yarrawonga, which we also have on exhibition, has the council on the front foot of future zonings.

With commercial and residential development around this site, it's no surprise that the current farming zone needs a review, it's clearly not viable farm land.

The author is correct that Cobram has an ample supply of appropriately zoned land for residential, retail, commercial and industrial development, but unfortunately many owners of that land either can't or won't develop it.

Certainly the council's attempts to buy and develop industrial land in Cobram have been met with land prices almost double the true market value, making development financially unviable, so it's not surprising that the town is not growing as we would like it to.

It's also not correct to say that Cobram does not have businesses wanting to move and expand here. We've just sold our last block at the council's industrial estate.

What we know from recent enquiries is that

businesses want purpose built facilities in a high profile site with B double highway access. They are generally not looking for infill sites on local roads.

That's why we are seeking submissions on Ritchie Road and why the council is supporting the Cobram Village proposal.

If we want the town to progress, we will need to create the development opportunities that business is looking for, that's what councils do.

Mark Henderson
Chief Executive Officer
Moira Shire Council

Can the plan

IT breaks my heart and fries my brain, the complete devastation and destruction I have seen in the Murray Darling Basin.

My great-grandfather settled near Cobram Victoria in 1876. He and all the other settlers worked extremely hard to forge out a future for them and their families.

Then came the advent of irrigation and our region exploded in development. That development is being destroyed by minorities and ill experienced bureaucrats and politicians.

Mick Keelty has just held a round of meetings and we all said, "Not another bloody meeting". Yet we filled the room it was held in and listened, and this time we at least did not get fed outright lies. Mick gives us a glimmer of hope, but it is only a glimmer.

Since the basin plan was incepted I reckon the lies to truths we have been told is – lies 5,000,122, truths two.

I could go on and on about the destruction to farms, towns and the environment but it has all been well documented.

We are extremely poorly represented in our regions by the two main political parties and that is showing at the polling booths. We need to keep that change rolling on.

Onward we fight, fight with all our might.

CAN THE PLAN
Peter Gilmour
COBRAM

Purple day for epilepsy

MARCH is epilepsy awareness month and Purple Day is coming up once again on March 26.

This year, Epilepsy Action Australia, the largest provider of services for people living with epilepsy in Australia, is advocating for greater recognition that epilepsy does not look the same for everyone, meaning that the 250,000 Australians living with the condition experience it differently.

People may be surprised to know epilepsy occurs on a spectrum, like autism. There are actually about 40 different types of epilepsy syndromes and seizures, which vary in severity and frequency from person to person.

Seizures range from a momentary pause and staring into space to full body convulsions. In some cases epilepsy is genetic, but it can also be acquired by things such as head injury, infection or stroke, and it can occur at any point in a person's life.

While epilepsy is more common than Parkinson's, cerebral palsy and muscular dystrophy combined, it is widely misunderstood and can significantly impact a person's life.

That is why Purple Day is so important - to increase community awareness and raise vital funds to improve services. This Purple Day, we are aiming to raise \$250,000 - one dollar for every person diagnosed with epilepsy in Australia.

We are incredibly excited that, for the very first time, the Sydney Opera House will light up purple for Epilepsy Action Australia on March 26 to promote epilepsy awareness!

On behalf of all Australians living with epilepsy, thank you in advance for supporting Epilepsy Action Australia this Purple Day.

To find out how to get involved, please visit

www.epilepsy.org.au. Your support helps to ensure people living with epilepsy can lead optimal lives.

Carol Ireland
Chief Executive Officer
Epilepsy Action Australia

Support for vaping

IN JANUARY, the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) announced their support for vaping nicotine as a quitting aid for smokers.

This endorsement is a game-changer for smokers wanting to quit, and vaping is a welcome tool for GPs and other health professionals, especially in regional Australia where smoking rates are highest.

Under the new guidelines, GPs and other health professionals can recommend vaping for smokers who have failed to quit smoking with the available treatments when patients raise the subject with their doctor or health professional.

Vaping is now the most popular and most effective quitting aid globally and has helped millions of smokers quit the deadly addiction. It is legal to vape nicotine in Australia if a patient has a nicotine prescription from a medical practitioner.

This endorsement will ultimately save lives, as smokers who switch to vaping have substantial improvements in both respiratory and cardiovascular health and a dramatically reduced risk of cancer.

I encourage any smoker wanting to kick the habit to talk to their GP or health care professional to find out more about vaping as a quit smoking aid.

Conjoint Associate Professor Colin Mendelsohn (UNSW)
Foundation Chairman and Board Member
Australian Tobacco Harm Reduction Association (ATHRA)

Compulsory holocaust education for Victorian students

ALL years nine and 10 students in Victorian government schools will be taught about the holocaust from this year, to tackle rising anti-Semitism, racism and prejudice in our schools and broader society.

Minister for Education James Merlino last week directed the Department of Education and Training to ensure all government secondary schools are teaching the holocaust and addressing broader issues of racism and prejudice.

Mr Merlino said it concerns him that, if asked, most kids today wouldn't be able to explain what the holocaust was.

"Anti-Semitism is on the rise around the globe and sadly we are not immune in our own Victorian community," he said.

"It is vital that each generation understands the horror of the

Holocaust to ensure it can never be repeated and to educate the community on the damage caused by anti-Semitism, racism and prejudice."

"This is about using this terrible historical event to talk to students and educate them about the broader issues of racism and prejudice in our society."

While the holocaust is in the current Victorian curriculum, it is not taught in all schools.

The Victorian Government will work with Gandel Philanthropy and the Jewish Holocaust Centre to develop resources for the Victorian curriculum context, based on adaptations of existing Yad Vashem teaching resources and lesson plans produced by the World Holocaust Memorial Centre in Jerusalem.

These steps are being taken to ensure Victorian students learn

the lessons of the holocaust and schools play their part in reversing the growth in anti-Semitism evident in our community.

Minister for Multicultural Affairs Richard Wynne said that tackling racism and prejudice in schools is everyone's responsibility.

"It's our diversity that makes Victoria what we are, and that is why we need to ensure our students understand the damage racism and discrimination can cause," he said.

Other related initiatives include increasing funding to Courage to Care, the establishment of a dedicated ethnic or religious vilification hotline for schools, students and parents, and the establishment of new student advisory group to look at what more we can do to make sure our schools are inclusive communities where diversity is valued.

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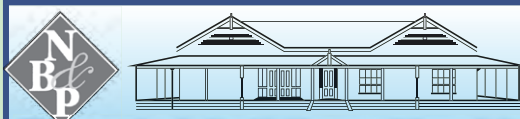


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The deadline for classified advertising will remain 12 noon Tuesday, but early copy would be appreciated.

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Specification documents can be obtained by visiting www.moira.vic.gov.au/our-council/tenders

All submissions are to be lodged electronically. Late, hard copy, e-mailed or facsimile submissions will not be accepted. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Mark Henderson
Chief Executive Officer

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NOTIFICATION BY BUYER - INTENTION TO APPLY FOR THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF A LICENCE TO TAKE AND USE GROUND WATER
GMW Reference BPTWE0004-20
We, Madigan Fresh Produce Pty Ltd of Spences Rd Katunga Vic 3640. Refer to Vic Roads Map 34 H9 Intend to make application to permanently transfer entitlement to our existing Licence to Take & Use Groundwater and increase the licensed volume from 51ML/Year to 126ML/Year. We intend to extract groundwater from an existing bore constructed to a depth of 106 metres. The water will be used for the purpose of: irrigation. To be used on land described as Volume 9264 Folio 387, Lot No. 2, Plan No. 124949, Plan Type LP, Crown Allotment 215, Section S, Parish Stratherton. Any person able to demonstrate that their interests will be affected by the issuing of this Licence including any intended groundwater use, is invited to make a formal submission (via post, email or fax) setting out the nature of the impact within 14 days of receipt of this written notification. To make a submission, please read the information available to download from www.g-mwater.com.au/customer-services/forms refer to No. 4 (or contact GMW to arrange for a copy to be posted to you). Submissions must be lodged in writing using the template available by either mail or email to Customer Support Coordinator, Licensing Administration, PO Box 165, TATURA VIC 3616 or email licensingadmin@g-mwater.com.au.

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MEETINGS

The 2020 Annual General Meeting of the
NUMURKAH AGRICULTURAL & PASTORAL SOCIETY INC.
is to be held on
Tuesday, 10th March 2020 at 7.30pm
in the meeting room, Multi-Purpose Building,
Showgrounds, Tunnock Road, Numurkah
NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME


NUMURKAH GOLF & BOWLS CLUB INC.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
The Annual General Meeting of the Numurkah Golf & Bowls Club Inc A.I.A0007469P will be held in the members area of the club on Monday, 30th March, 2020 at 7.30pm.

AGENDA

- To confirm the minutes of the last annual general meeting held in 2019.
- To receive and consider the Presidents report for the year ended December 31st, 2019.
- To receive and consider the audited Statement of Comprehensive Income and Statement of Financial Position for the year ended December 31st, 2019.
- Appoint an auditor for the financial year ended December 31st, 2020.
- Vote on a nomination for life membership.

All committee positions will be declared vacant. President x 1, Vice President x 1, Treasurer x 1, Committee x 3, except for an automatic seat for immediate past President if required. Nominations must be in the hands of the Manager by no later than 5.00pm Monday, 30 March, 2020.

Any member contemplating nomination must undertake a government probity check by the Office of Gaming Regulation and should contact the manager to discuss the Board Charter Document.

Grant Duffy ACCM MAICD
Manager

DEATHS

DEVINE — Kevin.
Kevin was a past member of the Picola Bowling Club. He is remembered fondly and will be sadly missed.
Loving thoughts to Bev and the family
The Board and all members of the Picola Bowling Club.

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8.00 am to 2.30 pm
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SITUATIONS VACANT

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St Mary of the Angels Secondary College is currently seeking a suitably qualified individual/s with the ability to teach in the following areas:

- Maths 7-12
- Science 7-12
- PE 7-12

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Applications should include:

- A cover letter
- Response to the Key Selection Criteria
- Curriculum Vitae, including three professional referees.

Key Selection Criteria and Role Description can be obtained from :
www.smotanathalia.catholic.edu.au/about/employment

Applications to be emailed to:
principal@smotanathalia.catholic.edu.au

APPLICATION CLOSING DATE: WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH, 2020

St Mary of the Angels community promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

HONORARY SECRETARY NUMURKAH AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL SOCIETY INC.

The Numurkah Agricultural and Pastoral Society has a vacancy for an Honorary Secretary to be the Event Manager for the Annual Numurkah Show which is held in October each year. The Numurkah Show is the longest running Community Event in Numurkah with our 133rd Show to be held on October 21st 2020.

The position entails some or all of the following –

- attendance at monthly meetings, preparation of minutes and agendas for these meetings,
- preparation and typing of appropriate letters pertaining to general business,
- dealing with In and Out correspondence,
- organisation of all entertainment,
- keeping of all records, Government regulations and Shire directives,
- attendance at various other meetings and workshops throughout the year,
- any other appropriate duties which come up from time to time and the answering of phone queries throughout the year.
- publicity.
- successful person must be computer literate.
- there is an honorarium awarded to the position

This is an interesting, varied and responsible position which is satisfying and rewarding. The present secretary will be available to assist the Secretary until the end of the year.

Further information from Sue Aldridge, on 5862 1391 or Beverly Patrick on 5862 3515.



NCN Health has the following vacancies:

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Sport Scribes Long weekend deadlines

Long weekends cause many problems for the staff here at the Leader, in particular in coping with the many contributed sports articles that we receive.

Therefore, we ask sport scribes to get their reports in as early as possible for next week's edition, preferably over the weekend.

Although the Leader office will be closed Monday, staff will be working behind closed doors at various times over the weekend and would appreciate your early contributions.



New to the area?

If you've moved here recently, you won't be listed in the Numurkah Local Phone Book but if you let us know, we can make sure you're in this year's edition

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Summer
SPORT
scoreboard

Cricket
CRICKET SHEPPARTON
Two day game - Day two
A GRADE
NUMURKAH def TATURA
Toss won by Numurkah, batted first
1ST INNINGS - NUMURKAH 8/232
IST INNINGS - TATURA
R Singh c W Arnel b M Cline.....2
D Miller run out2
W Pyke c T Braybon b M Cline.....0
M Archer c SE Downie b M Grandell.....25
C Davies c ? b T Braybon.....0
J Armstrong c M Eckard b M Cline0
B Armstrong c M Eckard b M Cline37
S McAllister c ? b M Cline.....5
B Archer not out24
H Murdoch c M Eckard b M Grandell.....12
Z Langlands c ? b M Grandell.....5
Extras (nb 0, w 0, b 2, lb 1).....3
Total.....115
Overs 61.3
Bowling: M Cline 13.0 4 5 17; T Braybon 12.0 5 1 12; M Grandell 19.3 4 3 55; M Eckard 17.0 6 0 28.

KATANDRA def KARRAMOMUS
Toss won by Karramomus, batted first
1ST INNINGS - KARRAMOMUS 79
1ST INNINGS - KATANDRA RESUMED 6/137
B Clurey lbw b A Heslin10
B Black run out (L Sibley).....6
S Richardson c S Turner b A Heslin.....2
A Riordan st T Guppy b S Turner.....35
L Patel c T Guppy b C Keady79
H Sirett b L Sibley.....2
J McKinnon c T Guppy b S Green21
NJ Hickey not out.....45
C Hickford st T Guppy b S Turner11
S Dickson not out.....0
Extras (nb 0, w 1, b 5, lb 3).....9
Total.....8/220 (dec)
Overs 50.4
FOW: 15 (B Clurey) 17 (S Richardson) 19 (B Black) 89 (A Riordan) 104 (H Sirett) 137 (J McKinnon) 185 (L Patel) 220 (C Hickford)
Bowling: J Ibbotson 11.0 2 0 44; A Heslin 12.0 3 2 39; TX Kelly 2.0 1 0 7; L Keady 2.0 0 0 19; L Sibley 7.0 1 1 24; S Turner 11.4 1 2 48; S Green 2.0 1 1 13; C Keady 3.0 0 1 18.

2ND INNINGS - KARRAMOMUS
J Ibbotson b C Hickford4
T Guppy c S Richardson b H Sirett.....4
S Green c S Dickson b S Richardson14
M McGrath c A Riordan b C Hickford2
TX Kelly b JM Wright11
M Mandaradoni lbw b S Dickson13
S Turner b S Dickson14
N Jones c NJ Hickey b JM Wright.....1
C Keady c B Black b C Hickford3
L Sibley c NJ Hickey b JM Wright6
A Heslin not out.....0
Extras (nb 0, w 0, b 1, lb 3).....4
Total.....10/76
Overs 40.4
FOW: 6 (J Ibbotson) 14 (T Guppy) 16 (M McGrath) 36 (S Green) 36 (TX Kelly) 64 (M Mandaradoni) 67 (S Turner) 69 (N Jones) 76 (C Keady) 76 (L Sibley)
Bowling: C Hickford 2.4 2 3 14; H Sirett 1.0 0 1 19; JM Wright 6.0 4 3 25; S Richardson 8.0 3 1 7; S Dickson 5.0 2 2 5; A Riordan 3.0 2 0 2.

WAAIA It SHEPPARTON UNITED
Toss won by Waايا, bowled first
1ST INNINGS - SHEPPARTON UNITED 8/204
1ST INNINGS - WAAIA RESUMED 0/13
BG Carey c K Armstrong b D Vidler.....50
S Trower c D Vidler b R Bari16
S Moore b T Yaqoobi.....5
J Cleeland c R Menhenett b D Vidler52
MJ Cleeland b D Vidler2
D Atkins c XD Brown b S Nash47
M Stuart b S Nash5
J Trower c C Rendina b S Nash5
SC Carey c L Menhenett b S Nash.....2
L Henderson st K Armstrong b C Vidanapathirana 7
C Walpole not out.....0
Extras (nb 0, w 1, b 3, lb 0).....4
Total.....195
Overs 90.1
FOW: 31 (S Trower) 63 (S Moore) 91 (BG Carey) 101 (MJ Cleeland) 144 (J Cleeland) 176 (M Stuart) 182 (J Trower) 184 (SC Carey) 188 (D Atkins) 195 (L Henderson)
Bowling: C Vidanapathirana 11.1 3 1 28; S Nash 10.0 0 4 29; T Yaqoobi 9.0 4 1 8; D Vidler 20.0 4 3 63; R Bari 33.0 13 1 56; L Menhenett 1.0 0 0 1; C Rendina 5.0 3 0 5; A Tonks 1.0 0 0 2.

LADDER	P	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	PTS	%
Numurkah	12	0	10	0	2	0	66	1.87
Mooroopna	12	2	6	0	4	0	62	1.45
Kyabram	12	0	9	0	3	0	60	1.31
Katandra	12	1	7	0	4	0	58	1.45
Northerners	12	0	8	0	4	0	54	1.28
Nagambie	12	0	6	1	5	0	45	1.07
Shepp United	12	0	6	0	6	0	42	0.92
Old Students	12	0	5	0	7	0	36	0.95

Waaia	12	0	5	0	7	0	36	0.89
CP/ST Bs	12	0	5	0	6	1	36	0.89
Euroa	12	0	5	0	7	0	36	0.79
Karramomus	12	0	2	0	9	1	18	0.55
Tatura	12	0	0	1	10	1	9	0.45

THIS WEEKEND: QUALIFYING FINALS
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
Numurkah v Nagambie, at Numurkah
Mooroopna v Northerners at Mooroopna
Kyabram v Katandra at Kyabram

B GRADE
TATURA def NUMURKAH
Toss won by Tatura, batted first
1ST INNINGS - TATURA 174
1ST INNINGS - NUMURKAH RESUMED 5/60
B Smith b S Martin48
RL Lacuin c P Watt b J Collett6
M Martin c S Martin b J Collett11
T Woods c ? b C Dealy.....1
S Dawson c ? b J Collett10
B O'Dwyer c ? b J Collett0
B Roberts not out4
Extras (nb 3, w 6, b 9, lb 6).....24
Total.....139
Overs 44.0
FOW: 19 (S Spicer) 41 (D Cox) 42 (J Pruden) 42 (D Ebborn) 54 (RL Lacuin) 76 (M Martin) 82 (T Woods) 98 (S Dawson) 102 (B O'Dwyer) 139 (B Smith)
Bowling: S Martin 6.0 0 2 25; C Dealy 10.0 1 1 42; J Collett 17.0 7 5 26; W Russell 8.0 3 2 22; G Walker 4.0 1 0 9.
2ND INNINGS - TATURA
W Russell c D Ebborn b B Roberts.....0
N Watt not out.....27
S Martin b B Smith0
C Dealy c T Woods b B Smith.....7
XA Hutchison c RL Lacuin b B Smith0
G Ballis c ? b B Smith12
J Collett not out.....0
Extras (nb 0, w 0, b 0, lb 0).....0
Total.....5/46
Overs 12.0
Bowling: B Roberts 4.0 1 1 14; B Smith 6.0 2 4 18; M Martin 2.0 0 0 14.

KARRAMOMUS It KATANDRA
Toss won by Karramomus, batted first
1ST INNINGS - KARRAMOMUS 178
1ST INNINGS - KATANDRA RESUMED 0/7
A Nicholls c N Laffy b C Michel83
C Simpson c CN Delahey b T Murray.....15
M Black lbw b T Murray3
RJ Ireland not out110
RW Shannon c Z Groombridge b T Murray.....20
RJ Trewin b J Mandaradoni.....11
Extras (nb 4, w 10, b 8, lb 0).....22
Total.....5/264
Overs 76.2
FOW: 58 (C Simpson) 80 (M Black) 175 (A Nicholls) 230 (RW Shannon) 264 (RJ Trewin)
Bowling: J Kerr 17.0 5 0 45; C Michel 17.0 2 1 56; B Jones 6.0 1 0 27; J Mandaradoni 3.2 1 1 4; Z Groombridge 6.0 1 0 27; K Hardy 6.0 0 0 38; T Murray 21.0 7 3 59.

LADDER	P	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	PTS	%
Shepp United	13	1	9	1	2	0	70	1.63
Kyabram	13	0	11	1	1	0	69	1.84
Katandra	13	0	11	0	2	0	66	1.38
Mooroopna	13	1	8	0	4	0	58	1.43
Numurkah	13	1	6	0	6	0	46	1.37
Undera	13	0	7	2	4	0	45	1.05
Northerners	13	0	7	0	5	1	42	1.11
Tatura	13	0	7	0	6	0	42	0.98
Karramomus	13	0	6	0	7	0	36	0.95
Pine Lodge	13	1	4	0	8	0	34	0.87
Old Students	13	0	3	0	8	2	18	0.55
Euroa	13	0	2	0	11	0	12	0.73
CP/St Bs	13	0	2	0	11	0	12	0.67
Waaia	13	0	2	0	10	1	12	0.47

THIS WEEKEND: QUALIFYING FINALS
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
Shepparton United v Undera at Princess Park
Kyabram v Numurkah at Mooroopna
Katandra v Mooroopna at Katandra

C GRADE
NUMURKAH def PINE LODGE
Toss won by Pine Lodge, batted first
1ST INNINGS - PINE LODGE 58
1ST INNINGS - NUMURKAH 92
2ND INNINGS - PINE LODGE
D Linton c ? b H Verhoeven8
HL Reynolds c ? b S Boswell17
S Kearney c ? b H Verhoeven6
J Purdey b H Verhoeven0
G Singh c ? b R Dawson4
S Hayes c ? b R Dawson5
S Uppal lbw b S Boswell.....11
JA Vaivers lbw b S Boswell.....11
J Dainton c ? b J Verhoeven9
A Saini not out.....2
A Giffin b S Boswell.....0
Extras (nb 3, w 4, b 1, lb 0).....8

Total.....71
Overs 30.0
FOW: 9 (d linton) 29 (S Kearney) 33 (J Purdey) 38 (HL Reynolds) 48 (S Hayes) 48 (G Singh) 52 (S Uppal) 66 (JA Vaivers) 71 (A Giffin) 71 (J Dainton)
2ND INNINGS - NUMURKAH
Extras (nb 0, w 2, b 0, lb 4).....6
Total.....5/41
Overs 17.0
Bowling: S Uppal 7.0 2 2 7; A Saini 6.0 1 2 17; S Hayes 2.0 1 0 6; JA Vaivers 2.0 0 1 7.

LADDER	P	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	PTS	%
Murchison	12	2	8	0	2	0	74	1.63
Numurkah	12	1	8	1	2	0	67	1.28
Toolamba	12	2	6	0	4	0	62	1.58
Mpna Blue	12	1	7	0	4	0	58	1.31
Nagambie	12	0	6	1	5	0	45	1.60
Tatura	11	0	5	1	4	1	45	0.70
Shepp United	12	0	6	0	6	0	42	1.00
Karramomus	12	0	5	1	5	1	39	0.82
Mpna White	12	0	3	1	7	1	27	0.77
Euroa	11	0	1	0	9	1	18	0.45
Pine Lodge	12	0	1	1	8	2	15	0.58

THIS WEEKEND: QUALIFYING FINALS
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
Murchison v Tatura at Murchison
Numurkah v Nagambie at Numurkah
Toolamba v Mooroopna Blue at Toolamba

UNDER 16
GRAND FINAL
NUMURKAH def PINE LODGE
Toss won by Numurkah, batted first
1ST INNINGS - NUMURKAH
D Ebborn c L Ludeman b A Saini12
C Morris lbw b L Ludeman12
B Smith lbw b T Phillips10
H Verhoeven b L Ludeman.....0
D Craven b A Saini.....2
B Roberts c LM Trevaskis b JD Nugent.....5
K O' Dwyer b A Saini5
C Sessions c ? b JA Vaivers0
DC Baker b JA Vaivers.....4
C Beer b D Linton1
T Hughes not out.....0
Extras (nb 1, w 7, b 7, lb 2).....17
Total.....68
Overs 27.3
FOW: 17 (D Ebborn) 41 (C Morris) 41 (H Verhoeven) 41 (B Smith) 52 (D Craven) 60 (K O' Dwyer) 61 (B Roberts) 66 (DC Baker) 67 (C Sessions) 68 (C Beer)
Bowling: A Saini 7.0 2 3 14; JD Nugent 7.0 0 1 28; L Ludeman 4.0 3 2 4; T Phillips 4.0 1 1 14; JA Vaivers 3.0 2 2 1; D Linton 2.2 2 1 0.
1ST INNINGS - PINE LODGE
LM Trevaskis c K O' Dwyer b B Smith0
JD Nugent c B Roberts b H Verhoeven19
HL Reynolds c K O' Dwyer b H Verhoeven1
D Linton c H Verhoeven b DC Baker4
L Ludeman c K O' Dwyer b B Roberts.....9
T Phillips c D Craven b B Smith8
J Dainton not out.....4
A Giffin c K O' Dwyer b B Smith1
A Saini lbw b H Verhoeven0
MG Lowe c & b H Verhoeven0
JA Vaivers lbw b B Roberts0
Extras (nb 0, w 1, b 1, lb 1).....3
Total.....49
Overs 27.2
FOW: 7 (LM Trevaskis) 16 (HL Reynolds) 23 (JD Nugent) 26 (d linton) 44 (T Phillips) 44 (L Ludeman) 45 (A Giffin) 48 (A Saini) 48 (MG Lowe) 49 (JA Vaivers)
Bowling: B Smith 6.0 3 3 8; B Roberts 6.2 1 2 14; H Verhoeven 6.0 4 4 7; DC Baker 4.0 3 1 6; D Ebborn 3.0 2 0 4; C Morris 2.0 0 0 8.

UNDER 14
GRAND FINAL
SHEPPARTON UNITED It NUMURKAH
Toss won by Shepparton United, batted first
1ST INNINGS - SHEPPARTON UNITED
T Green c R Verhoeven b M Ward26
A Young lbw b H McDonald4
M McDonald c R Verhoeven b M O'Dwyer0
OB Warburton c H McDonald b M O'Dwyer1
N Byrne c R Verhoeven b M O'Dwyer0
M Grumley c R Dobson b T Stephens19
W Jackson c L Roberts b J Bell.....6
C Mellington c M O'Dwyer b M Ward10
S Dickens not out.....5
J Whitlock c L Roberts b H McDonald.....5
F Grumley lbw b H McDonald0
Extras (nb 4, w 7, b 0, lb 1).....12
Total.....88
Overs 32.5
FOW: 15 (A Young) 31 (M McDonald) 35 (T Green) 36 (N Byrne) 37 (OB Warburton) 62 (W Jackson) 71 (M Grumley) 77 (C Mellington) 88 (J Whitlock) 88 (F Grumley)
Bowling: R Dawson 4.0 0 0 21; H McDonald 4.5 0 3 8; M O'Dwyer 5.0 2 3 3; M Ward 6.0 2 2 16; N Hughes 3.0 1 0 11; L Roberts 3.0 1 0 6; T Stephens 3.0 0 1 6; J Bell 2.0 0 1 10; R Verhoeven 2.0 0 0 6.
1ST INNINGS - NUMURKAH
N Hughes b OB Warburton2

R Verhoeven c T Green b M Grumley8
M O'Dwyer c M Grumley b J Whitlock.....35
R Dawson c T Green b M Grumley0
H McDonald c T Green b F Grumley9
R Dobson b T Green.....12
M Ward c N Byrne b A Young5
L Roberts not out.....3
T Stephens c & b M Grumley1
N Wallace not out.....0
Extras (nb 5, w 4, b 5, lb 0).....14
Total.....8/89
Overs 34.1
FOW: 8 (N Hughes) 13 (R Verhoeven) 14 (R Dawson) 59 (H McDonald) 63 (M O'Dwyer) 79 (R Dobson) 81 (M Ward) 87 (T Stephens)
Bowling: A Young 7.0 1 1 14; OB Warburton 7.0 4 1 11; M Grumley 5.0 1 3 12; C Mellington 3.0 1 0 13; M McDonald 2.0 0 0 13; W Jackson 1.0 0 0 9; F Grumley 2.0 0 1 2; J Whitlock 4.0 2 1 5; T Green 3.1 1 1 5.

MURRAY VALLEY
PREMIER DIVISION
2 day game - Day two
NATHALIA def COBRAM-YARROWEYAH UNITED
Toss won by Cobram-Yarroweyah United, batted first
1ST INNINGS - COBRAM-YARROWEYAH UNITED 70
F1ST INNINGS - NATHALIA RESUMED 4/188
L Evans b T Poole22
L Quinn c K Johnstone b L Benn7
A Harding c K Andrew b J Andrew4
BT Ross retired not out.....65
TP Nihill b L Benn21
A Congues c D Ashcroft b L Adams74
C Harding c L Benn b K Andrew1
S Boyd b J Andrew8
P Carroll run out (K Andrew)13
B Summerville st D Ashcroft b J Andrew28
A Jorgensen c K Andrew b t poole.....18
H Congues not out0
Extras (nb 3, w 0, b 10, lb 2).....15
Total.....276
Overs 62.3
FOW: 17 (L Quinn) 38 (L Evans) 44 (A Harding) 91 (TP Nihill) 201 (C Harding) 212 (A Congues) 217 (S Boyd) 251 (B Summerville) 276 (A Jorgensen) 276 (P Carroll)
Bowling: L Benn 17.3 8 2 40; K Andrew 7.0 1 1 23; J Andrew 12.0 2 3 65; t poole 6.0 0 2 28; M Watson 1.0 0 0 9; L Adams 12.0 0 1 57; B Andrew 4.0 1 0 11; T Lewis 3.0 0 0 31.
2ND INNINGS - COBRAM-YARROWEYAH UNITED
A Latessa c P Carroll b A Quinn67
D Ashcroft c B Summerville b P Carroll2
J Andrew c A Jorgensen b P Carroll61
L Benn c B Summerville b L Quinn.....18
L Adams c S Boyd b L Quinn0
K Andrew st A Congues b P Carroll0
M Watson not out.....5
B Andrew not out0
Extras (nb 1, w 3, b 2, lb 1).....7
Total.....6/160
Overs 55.0
FOW: 4 (D Ashcroft) 102 (A Latessa) 131 (L Benn) 131 (L Adams) 147 (K Andrew) 156 (J Andrew)
Bowling: C Harding 5.0 2 0 8; P Carroll 6.0 3 3 9; TP Nihill 5.0 2 0 6; A Harding 6.0 3 0 12; A Congues 4.0 1 0 6; B Summerville 6.0 1 0 22; S Boyd 4.0 1 0 15; H Congues 5.0 0 0 20; A Quinn 4.0 0 1 30; A Jorgensen 6.0 1 0 20; L Quinn 4.0 2 2 9.

KATAMATITE It COBRAM
Toss won by Katamatite, bowled first
1ST INNINGS - COBRAM 9/202
1ST INNINGS - KATAMATITE RESUMED 2/48
A Erickson b A Decicco2
JO Van Zuyden c T Baden b A Decicco2
JM Tiermey c MB Artavilla b J FRANKEL.....10
S Dorsey run out.....33
B Beaton b A Decicco0
A Saunders c MB Artavilla b L Hyde44
J Magowan c & b L Hyde.....14
T Casha c J Beasley b W Van Zyl33
T Irvine c N Sneddon b T Baden.....24
S Pool lbw b T Baden1
B Beaton not out0
Extras (nb 7, w 3, b 9, lb 5).....24
Total.....187
Overs 60.4
Bowling: A Decicco 19.0 5 3 43; T Baden 10.0 1 2 37; W Van Zyl 11.4 4 1 27; H Hyde 1.0 0 0 12; J FRANKEL 5.0 2 1 9; J Beasley 6.0 1 0 21; L Hyde 8.0 2 2 25.

DIVISION ONE
One day game
TOCUMWAL def NATHALIA
Toss won by Nathalia, batted first
1ST INNINGS - NATHALIA
Extras (nb 4, w 7, b 2, lb 6).....19
Total.....89
Overs 30.4
1ST INNINGS - TOCUMWAL
Extras (nb 0, w 5, b 0, lb 0).....5
Total.....7/91
Overs 28.2

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Elation and heartbreak for Wunghnu

by "Davo"

WUNGHNU'S division three side produced its best performance of the season when it crushed Jerilderie by 45 shots in the Murray Bowls Division grand final on Saturday. Unfortunately the club's division one side suffered its second grand final loss in a row when it went down to Barooga Sports by 12 shots.

The Numurkah Bowls Club played host for both grand finals and had its greens in tip top condition.

The division three team went into the grand final with confidence, having been the only side to defeat perennial finalist Jerilderie in the home and away season. The Magpies not only got off to a good start, but continued



Heartbreak ... Todd Davies was again a standout player for Wunghnu's division one side, but couldn't get the Magpies over the line.

on to dominate the contest, with all three rinks getting up on the day.

Rob "Robbo" Robison (s), Russell Burkitt, Paul Richardson and Jack Rigoni took on the previously undefeated rink skipped by Col Bryce. Robbo and his men were up for the task, getting home 23-21.

Ivan Newby (s), Mark "Pud" Shelton, Peter Graham and Jim Brown produced the biggest rink win, defeating Terry Chaplin's rink 38-13. Pud Shelton had a day out, playing every shot in the book and showing that he has a big future in the sport.

Les Clarke (s), Ian "Boots" Gray, Damian "Damo" Hommes and Dean Graham also had a big win, defeating Lucy Gurciullo's rink 29-11. Les has proved to be a terrific addition to the Magpies' pennant ranks, as has first year bowler Dean Graham who, like Pud and Damo, will be future inclusions in the division one side.

The win sees Wunghnu promoted to division two next season, ensuring that the Magpies will have sides in the top two pennant grades for the first time in the club's history.

Promotion also results in the club having to field a fourth rink in division two. But with Wunghnu being one of the few clubs in the MBD that is growing in members, finding or attracting the extra players should not be a problem.

In division one, Barooga Sports got off to a good start and led by 10 shots after the completion of just 12 ends and were never headed.

Andrew Henderson (s), Nick Davies, Todd Davies and Wendy Coles led for much of the day but gave up two multiple counts in the closing ends to go down 20-21 to Geoff Mitchell's rink. Todd was once



Elation ... (From left): Damien Hommes, Les Clark, Paul Richardson, Ian Gray, Jack Rigoni, Leo Shannon, Dean Graham, Peter Graham, Mark Shelton, Rob Robison, Ivan Newby, Jim Brown, Russell Burkitt.

again the standout, playing to a high standard throughout the match.

Barry Cosgrove (s), Doug Larkin, Rob Rodda and Lynton Stephens got off to a poor start and found themselves 17 shots down after 14 ends. To their credit, they came home with a wet sail to lose narrowly 27-29.

Russell Smith (s), John McKenzie, Peter Revell and Darryl O'Connor had a ding dong battle against Peter Ware's rink. The lead changed a number of times before Ware's rink closed it out 23-19.

Trevor "Doggy" Hosie (s), Ray Hill,

Graeme King and Allan Jones suffered their first loss of the season, going down 17-22 to Ray Emerson's quartet.

Despite the loss, Doggy and his men should be extremely proud of their season as a whole. The recruitment of Ray Hill from Shepparton Park paid dividends for the Magpies this season, with his skill and experience proving to be a real asset for the club.

Whilst losing two division one grand finals in a row is a bitter pill to swallow, the team can take heart in the

fact that it has made it to the grand final four times in five seasons for two premierships.

Strong leadership from club president Doug Larkin, vice-president Graeme King, the committee and a number of dedicated members has also been pivotal to the club's rise in recent years. With a good number of promising players coming up through the ranks and a happy and inclusive environment within the club, the Magpies should remain a force in coming seasons.

A premiership in hand

AFTER finishing the season on top of the ladder, with only one defeat, Numurkah Golf Club's division one midweek pennant bowlers came home with a hard fought victory over Barooga at Cobram last Friday.

Linda Isted's rink of Joe Luci, Jenny Sutcliffe and Butch Browning were the heroes of the day in the 74-59 win, easily covering the small losses on the other two rinks to take out the Murray Bowls Division final.

The Golfers only lost one game for the season, going down to Cobram early in the season. Wins over Barooga in both encounters during the season had them quietly confident of victory.

It is the side's first midweek division one premiership win since 2011, when Golf won both divisions one and two.

Linda's rink lost just nine ends for the game, and had a resounding 37-13 win, with amazing bowling being displayed for the large crowd.

Robyn Hodgkin, Ian Hocking, Jan Niven and Yvonne Clark started slowly, although leading 6-4 after six ends, but did not win another end until the 12th. They then collected themselves and bowled a very solid four final ends, finally going down 17-21.

Loris Houlihan, Des Staggard, Lyn Browning and Ka-

trina Glover raced out of the blocks to take an 8-1 lead after four ends, however Barooga came back over the next four ends to lead 9-8.

After that, Barooga led all match and won 25-20 but, as was the same with Robyn's rink, a solid finish to stay in touch meant a great victory overall.

In a nice touch to end the day, Golf member Marie Shannon had been selected to do the medal presentations this year, and was certainly proud to get to present them to her club mates.

Numurkah Golf will now go on to represent Murray in the CGM midweek pennant finals on Tuesday, March 31, at a venue still to be decided.

Picola took out the division two final, defeating Barooga Sports 76-53, with two rink wins and a draw.

Golf's Maree Luci represented the CGM region at Mulgrave on Sunday and, although giving her all, was defeated by her Footscray opponent.

Second round club 21 up results saw Maree Luci defeat Moira Blake, Katrina Glover defeat Linda Isted, while Helen Pickersgill defeated Yvonne Clark and Kaye Hocking defeated Jenny Connolly.

The semi finals will see Maree take on Katrina, while Helen will play Kaye Hocking.

Bring on the finals

AFTER two losses on the trot, the Numurkah Lawn Tennis Club's GM2 Raiders cemented their spot in the top four with an emphatic win over Yarrawonga in the last game of the regular season on Saturday, taking victory 9/73 to 2/41.

Newly awarded club MVP Caitlyn Price secured another three sets and three votes, winning her singles 6-3, doubles with Jodie Small 8-5 and mixed doubles with Col Mackay 8-2.

Conditions were perfect for Jodie to flourish, and she also was a three-set winner.

Col Mackay was welcomed back into the side in style, with an impressive day from him also. He won 8-6 with Elliott Small, 8-2 with Andrew Storer, and 8-2 with Caitlyn.

The Raiders face Nathalia in an elimination final in two week's time at Cobram.

PENGUINS STRUGGLE

GM3 - Nathalia 11 sets 95 games defeated Numurkah Penguins 2 sets 38 games

There was only pride on the line at Nathalia when the Numurkah Penguins took on Nathalia, as the result had no bearing on the overall ladder due to both Nathalia and Numurkah already having secured their spots.

Nathalia took victory 11/95 to the Penguins' 2/38.

It was a struggle for the Penguins, only managing to win two sets for the day.

Billi Fasano and Emma Schmedje claimed a strong 8-6 win in the number one ladies doubles, while James Kam had a nice 6-3 win in his singles over Aaron Booth. Kris Walker and Col Stone almost got a third set for the Penguins, narrowly losing a tiebreaker 8-7.

The Penguins head back to Nathalia on Saturday week to face Cobram in an elimination final.

RAVENS FINISH SEASON IN STYLE

GM3 OPEN - Nathalia 3 sets 60 games



lost to Numurkah Ravens 4 sets 61 games.

Although our Ravens missed the finals, they finished the season in the best possible style, taking home the chocolates by one single game, 4/61 to 3/60.

The Ravens were on the right side of two tiebreakers. Cathy Brown and Ella Sprunt won 8-7, then Ella backed up to win 8-7 with Nathan Page.

Nath and his old man Deiter Page narrowly missed out on continuing their winning form together, losing in a tiebreaker.

It was a strong finish to the year for the Ravens, and club members are hoping this result inspires them for next year.

WARRIORS MINOR PREMIERS

The GM1 Warriors enjoyed maximum points and a weekend off, thanks to a forfeit from their opponents.

They finished the year as minor premiers, and begin their finals campaign in Cobram on March 14 against Shepparton Hornets, playing for a spot in the grand final.

MVP AWARDS

The club celebrated the end of season with its presentation night at the Shamrock Hotel on Saturday night.

Along with the naming of MVP awardees, there was a great turn out and plenty of laughs.

Caitlyn Price polled the most votes out of all four teams to be named club MVP for the 2019/20 season.

Naturally, Caitlyn also won the Raiders' awards, with 29 votes. Helene Steward polled 19 votes for the Warriors, Lou Shannon recorded 21 votes for the Penguins, and the Ravens' Cathy Brown had the most points for her team, with 17.

Golf girls get ‘friendly’

by “The Shankster”

A ‘FRIENDLY’ is normally associated with the game of soccer, but the Numurkah women golfers decided it was an apt name to call last Wednesday’s event, when more than 20 women from Yarrawonga headed over here to join in the day’s competition.

Such was the success of the day, that it has been mooted to become an annual event, alternating between the two clubs.

More than 40 women from both clubs, and one visitor from Riverside in Melbourne, took to the course to play a stableford round and, as probably should happen, the locals handled their own course best, winning both grades.

Julie Daniel had a real day out, and couldn’t keep the smile off her face all day, coming in with a fantastic score of 44 stableford points to win division one, while Di Davies wasn’t far behind, finishing with 42 points to win division two.

Both women won by big margins, Julie by five points from Yarrawonga’s Linda Lidgerwood, and Di with six shots to spare from Helen Pickersgill.

Down the line prizes went to Sandra McGuinness (Ywga) and Nola Dalton with 36 points, Anne Quinn (Ywga) and Jeanette Adams with 35, and the last ball went to Helen Schmedje for her 34 points.

Visitor Alison Ballantyne won nearest the pin on the seventh hole,

and Nola Dalton won the ball on 18.

Helen Pickersgill put together a terrific round on Saturday, to win the day’s stableford competition with a great score of 39 points.

Helen has picked up a few chick run wins over the summer but is into golf full swing, now that the bowls season is over, and will no doubt have quite a few more wins before her handicap catches up with her.

Runner-up was Jeanette Adams, with 36 points, and these two were the only ones to play at least to their handicaps.

Julie Daniel finished third, winning a countback from Margot McGrath, with 34 points, and the last of the balls went to Norma Cullum and Tracey Clouston, both with 32 points.

Margot McGrath played a terrific shot to the seventh green to knock off Julie Daniel, who knocked off Tracey Clouston, to win nearest the pin.

Julie Daniel won the ball on the fourth, Bev Hutchins was a one hit wonder, getting on the 15th, and Rosemary Rutledge was closest on the 18th.

There were few good scores in last Thursday’s nine hole chick run, but two players in the last group of the day did manage to play well, Jenny Ludington and Margot McGrath winning division one with 19 and 18 points, respectively.

Yvonne Cleary finished with 15

points to win division two, followed by what will no doubt be a very surprised group of women when they learn that they won a ball with 12 points. Yes, 12 points earned Jenny Connolly, Shirley Moon, Chris Shannon and Gayle Smith a ball each.

Bev Hutchins held a commanding lead in the chick run points trophy when last I mentioned the standings, six weeks ago, but a recent run of bad form means she now holds a very slender lead of two points from Merren Carr.

Bev has accumulated 35 points, helped along with a good attendance record, ahead of Merren on 33 points, both having played 17 of 18 rounds.

Gayle Smith is in third place with 32 points, followed by Nola Dalton 31 and Jeanette Adams 30.

Today’s golf will be a stroke round, in a deviation from what’s in the old syllabus, which was scheduled to be a monthly medal. The monthly medal in the old book has been re-scheduled to March 18 in the new program, which will be out shortly.

This Saturday and Monday will see the running of the Hoax Doubles for the women over the two days, also with separate stroke rounds on both days.

Next Wednesday will be the women’s opening day, a stableford round with the players making up the captain’s and president’s teams for a fun challenge.



Could do no wrong ... Julie Daniel was in top form last Wednesday.

Shawn blows field away

by “Phoenix”

SATURDAY saw an outstanding field of 72 men take on Royal Numurkah in a stableford golf event.

The course has had her way the past couple of weeks, but with so many players attacking her, she lowered her skirts this time around.

None better in taming her was Shawn Boswell, who compiled a winning score of 41 points to register the best score of the day and take out B grade honours.

You cannot place a score like that without the putter behaving and ramming them in with authority. I am told he had little trouble out there and just put on an all round fine display of golf.

To highlight how he distanced himself from the rest of the field, Billy Padgett was the next best placing, runner-up with 35 points. Bill is starting to hit his straps lately, although a recent trip away saw him humbled a little. However, the practice paid off and he compiled enough to have a very handy round indeed.

Taking out A grade with a great score of 40 points was Sam Robertson. Sam can bomb it out there and when he is straight, the course has no defences at all. But power goes nowhere if you don’t have a short game to match and Sam dazzled his playing partners with precision irons and a master’s touch with the putter.

Playing off a handicap of only six, this was a sub 80 round which cannot be denied. It has been a great month for Sam who, with a young family, usually heads straight home. With his old man Leigh taking home his winnings, the question has to be asked, “Does Sam actually see the fruits of his labours?”

Runner-up in A grade, with a very good score of 39 points, was Graeme ‘Doggy’ Sprunt. Doggy is rarely short of a word and he lets all and sundry know of his game, however this time his partners had to eat his words as he backed it up with a great round.

Tom Roberts took home a massive five balls for his 39 points, and Peter Stonehouse took home three for his 38. Pete has been in the golfing wilderness of late but seems to be finding form for the hoax triples this week.

Jack Thomas survived a countback on 37 to finish in seventh place ahead of Matty Ebborn. Jack Hepworth and visitor Matthew Alston both finished with 36 points, followed by the ever reliable, Billy ‘Boring’ Green, Roy Peterson and Steve Wilson, with 35 points, and taking home the last ball of the day was Bob ‘Komodo’ I’Anson, with 34 points.

Nearest the pin on the fourth was Ronnie Smith, Chris Coutts was the best on the seventh, Peter Stonehouse landed closest on the 15th, and Billy Green popped up again on the 18th to record the best on that one.

The Mickey Mouse ears went to one of the many visitors on the course for the day who, for some reason, thought the event had a shotgun start and walked all the way to the fourth hole. Not sure why the fourth, though?

The time has now come for the talk to stop and let your golf speak for itself, in the annual Des Cockayne Memorial Hoax Triples this weekend. All the best to the players taking on this gruelling three day tournament.

There is a stableford round being played at Numurkah on Saturday for those not involved in the triples.

Dalts gives vets the finger

ALAN Dalton showed that a few weeks off golf with a sore finger didn’t do his game any harm, when he ventured out on Monday for the GV Veteran Golfers’ Association’s monthly outing, at Kialla.

Dalts won A grade on a countback from Hill Top golfer Ray Coleman, with a fine score of 36 stableford points.

A full field of 121 veteran golfers enjoyed Monday’s mild weather, but a challenging wind helped to keep the scores down.

B grade winner was Ray Gourlay, Kialla, with 35 points, from Ron Dixon, Lockington, on 32 points.

The announcement of the winning scores in C grade lit up the eyes of a number of players as their prospect of winning a down-the line ball greatly improved. Des Pentreath,

from Lockington, and Ian Clarke, Kialla, were announced as winner and runner-up on 31 points.

Nearest the pin on the 11th hole, set at about 111 metres, was Joel Watson, Rich River, in A grade; Howard Teasdale, Parkland in B grade and Tony Lasini, Parkland, best in C grade.

The ball run down included John Bray, Neville Larson, John McHale, Gary Bow, Tom McConchie, Peter Oddy, Rolf Weber, Shane Pollock, John Fuller, Ron Wilkinson, Ron Nicholls, Kevin Humbert, Jack Peacock, Tony Papallo, Leo Hartup, Brian Johnson, Les Hall, Keith Dougherty, Denis Prosser, Ian Campbell, Tom Martin, Clyde Hammond, Bill Waite, Robert Frame, Brian Reiners, Bill Holyman, Bruce Whebell, Rex Howell, Tony

Lasini and Lindsay Tatterson.

A nominal challenge, including the four holes bordering the Honey-suckle Creek, hole numbers 10, 11, 16 and 17, was won by Roden Brady with an aggregate of 11 stableford points.

A special highlight of the day was the presentation of a framed certificate of appreciation to Jim Rae for his outstanding service to GVVGA in many leadership roles since joining in about 1992.

The association’s next syllabus event will be a 4BBB at Kyabram Parkland, on Monday, March 16, 9.30am assembly, 10am tee, which has been added in to replace the one lost to the club in January this year.

Golfers should also note that the Euroa meeting on March 30, now has a later assembly time of 9.30am.

Back to the future

by “Rufus T. Firefly”

VETERAN golfer Geoff Partington last Thursday returned a sense of normality back to mid week golf when he topped the winners list at Numurkah Golf Club.

Geoff’s score of 40 stableford points was the first time in over a month and a half that the day’s winner had achieved a score of 40 or better. Ian Hannaford was runner up with an excellent score of 38 and general scoring reverted to a higher average than that experienced recently.

Players whose scores earned themselves a pro ball were: Neil Hutchins and Graham Montgomery 37, Ray Falla, Steve Piggott and Peter Blake 36, Michael Eckhard 35, Mark Hegarty, Alf Patman and Sam Robertson 34, Bill Green, Michael Ebborn and Bruce Collins 32.

Bill Padgett also returned to his habits of yore and came in at the tail of the field with the lowest score of 25 points, thereby earning himself the dreaded tin of boiled lollies.

Visitor Shane Falla earned the Mickey Mouse ears for hitting a fellow player’s ball and generally playing ‘cartoon golf,’ according to his father.

Pete Malins won a ball from Mike Duffet for putting his second shot on the second hole within 3cm of the of the pin, while Andrew McKeown’s accurate tee shot on the fourth hole won him a ball courtesy of the GMCU.

Dennis Kite picked up the sweep money of the 39 strong field for being nearest the pin on the seventh hole and Mick Ebborn won a ball from Roy and Dennis for being the most accurate on the 14th.

Congratulations to Peter Blake for landing on the 15th green and making Graham Sprunt pay out a sponsored ball two weeks in a row. Peter Malins ‘topped and tailed’ his round by taking the Pruden Carpentry sponsored ball for nearest the pin on the 18th hole.

Visitors and guests are cordially invited to join the competition this Thursday. Assemble in the clubrooms at 8.30am for a 9 o’clock hit-off.

Bombers fall just short

WAAIA came agonisingly close to claiming its sixth win of the season, falling nine runs short of victory in its Haisman Shield A grade cricket match against Shepparton United on Saturday. Resuming at 0/13, Brayden Carey and Sam Trower proceed to put on a further 18 runs before Trower was out for 16. The Bombers were able to put together a couple of small partnerships and when Brayden Carey was out for a terrific 50, the score was 3/91. Mitch Cleeland joined his brother Jordy at the crease, and together took the score to 101 before Mitch was out for two. Damian Atkins, together with Cleeland, took on the opposing bowlers and the pair were looking good until Cleeland was out for a well compiled 52. With the score at 5/144 and Atkins batting well, Waaia was still in the game, however the Bombers' tail didn't wag, and they lost their last five wickets for 19 runs, bowled out for 195. Along with Carey, Cleeland and Trower, Damian Atkins was the only other batsman to reach double figures, with a superb 47. The Bombers' season is now over, finishing a credible ninth, a game and a half outside of finals contention.



Defence ... Brayden Carey defends well on his way to an even 50 runs.

Katunga into finals

KATUNGA has finished fourth on the Murray Valley Cricket Association's division one cricket ladder after accounting for Barooga by five wickets on Saturday. Bowling first, the Swans never allowed Barooga into the game, claiming wickets at regular intervals to bowl them out for 98 off 37 overs. Shaun McAllister was the best of the bowlers taking, 3/19. He was well supported by Toby Miles and Brad Tweed, who both finished with figures of 2/21, Adam Cook 1/0, and Dylan Baker 1/9. In reply, Brad Tweed was out early with the score on nine. Nick Thorp followed shortly after and Katunga was 2/24. A steady third wicket partnership of 30 was broken when Daniel Henderson was out for a

terrific 38. A further two wickets fell, however Mitch Doyle saw his team safely across the line, finishing 31 not out in Katunga's overall score of 5/100. Katunga will now play Deniliquin Rhinos in this Saturday's semi final. DIVISION TWO The Swans took on Cobram in their semi final clash and were defeated by 16 runs at Strathmerton on Saturday. Bowling first, Katunga was able to bowl the opposition out for 109 off 31 overs. Wickets fell regularly and, at one stage, Cobram were 8/78, however it was able to add a further 31 runs for the final two wickets. Wickets were evenly spread across the Katunga

bowlers, with Anthony Russell finishing with 3/15, Robbie Harris 2/14, Jordan Baker 2/22 and Tony Harris, Kevin Vandengoor and Spencer Small all claiming one wicket apiece. In reply, Katunga started poorly losing its first four wickets for 10 runs. Ayden Youd and Tony Harris steadied the ship with a 50 run partnership, taking the score to 60 before Harris was out for 15. Youd, who had opened the batting, was still in and batting beautifully, however his companions were unable to hold up the other end and wickets continued to fall around him. Youd was the last man out, bowled for a superb 52, chasing the required runs for victory, Katunga falling short and bowled out for 93.

Nathalia finishes season on a high

NATHALIA has finished its Murray Valley cricket season with a resounding 206 run win over Cobram-Yarroweyah United on Saturday. Resuming at 4/188 and already having surpassed the opposition's score, the Purples continued to bat, finally succumbing to be all out for 276. Archie Congues played a superb knock, top scoring with 74, closely followed by Brodie Ross, who retired not out 65. Other players to reach double figures were Brayden Summerville 28, Liam Evans 22, Tom Nihill 21, Adam Jorgensen 18, and Phil Carroll 13. Nathalia had a chance of an outright victory and sent Cobram into bat again, with Phil Carroll making an early breakthrough with the score on four.

The opposition knuckled down and put on a 98 run partnership before Ash Quinn finally snared the second wicket. Wickets then began to fall at regular intervals, however Nathalia was unable to attain the outright win, running out of overs, Cobram finishing its second innings at 6/160. Phil Carroll was the major wicket taker, finishing with 3/9, well supported by Luke Quinn 2/9, and Ash Quinn 1/30. DIVISION ONE Nathalia lost its final game of the season against Tocumwal, in what has been a tough season for the division one cricketers by three wickets. Winning the toss and batting first, Nathalia was all out for 89 off 30.4 overs. In reply, Tocumwal reached 91, for the loss of seven wickets.

DIVISION TWO Nathalia played top of the table Jerilderie in its semi final clash on Saturday, going down by six wickets in a match that was closer than expected. Winning the toss and batting first, Nathalia reached 7/117 off its allocated 35 overs. In the field, the Purples started brilliantly, Ben Horrocks claiming the first two wickets with only five runs on the board. Lloyd Buchanan snared the third wicket with the score on 44 and Paul Harvie chipped in with his first wicket one run later and Jerilderie found itself 4/45. The opposition then steadied and took the score to 121 without losing any further wickets, surpassing Nathalia's total in the 33rd over.

Numurkah under 10 finish season well

NUMURKAH'S under 10 cricketers played their last match of the season against Pine Lodge and fielded first. They did extremely well in the field, restricting the opposition to 13/117 off its 20 overs. Charlie McDonald starred with ball, taking 4/10, and he was well supported by Seb Garner 2/6 and Xavier Prior, Callan O'Dwyer and Mathilda Trimble all claimed one wicket each. In reply, the young Blues batted very well with Xavier Prior and Callan O'Dwyer both top scoring with 12 and Charlie McDonald scoring 10. Other players to score some runs were Tyler Burkitt (7), Lenny Gledhill (5), Xavier Hall (4) and Mathilda Trimble and Angus Parkinson both made one run each.

Ewan Congues sweeps up junior awards

EWAN Congues topped off his fantastic cricket season for Nathalia under 14s taking out five awards in the Murray Valley Cricket Association's junior league presentation ceremony. Ewan claimed the best and fairest award with 17 votes, most valuable player with 46.9 points, batting average 189 runs @ 94.5, batting aggregate 189 runs, and bowling average nine wickets @ 3.78. Not to be outdone, Katunga's Nathan Simpson won the bowling aggregate with 13 wickets.

Glenn shoots 100

THE top scorers for the night at Numurkah Small Bore Club's competition last Thursday were Emma Ryan in 20 metre benchrest, Colin Saxton at 50 metre benchrest, and Glenn Braybon in 50 metre prone. Glenn actually posted a terrific score of 100.7 on his second card. Match scores were as follows: 20 metre benchrest: E. Ryan 97.1 97.3 194.4, D. Bradshaw 93.1 92.1 185.2. 50 metre benchrest: C. Saxton 190.4, G. Miles 187.6, J. Matys 187.3, L. Cook 178.3, R. Cook 168.0. 50 metre prone: G. Braybon 94.2 100.7 194.9, T. Braybon 95.3 98.3 193.6, T. Braybon 97.4 96.2 193.6, L. Braybon 94.3 96.6 190.9, R. Hill 97.5 92.1 189.6, S. Rosemeier 92.0 95.3 187.3, B. Sneddon 91.2 94.2 185.4, H. O'Brien 92.1 92.0 184.1, D. Cook 88.3 92.0 180.3, A. Gibbon 92.1 87.0 179.1, G. Miles 90.2 87.2 177.4, J. Cook 84.2 87.2 171.4. There will be shooting as usual this Thursday night.

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Sport Scribes Long weekend deadlines

Long weekends cause many problems for the staff here at the Leader, in particular in coping with the many contributed sports articles that we receive. Therefore, we ask sport scribes to get their reports in as early as possible for next week's edition, preferably over the weekend. Although the Leader office will be closed Monday, staff will be working behind closed doors at various times over the weekend and would appreciate your early contributions.



CLINE SNARES FIVE IN BLUES' COMMANDING PERFORMANCE.

IN the last game of the Haisman Shield regular season, Numurkah's Matt Cline took his first five wicket haul of the season, finishing with the imposing figures of 5/17 off 13 overs in his team's convincing 117 run win over Tatura on Saturday. Defending their previous week's total of 232, Numurkah opened the bowling with Cline and Tim Braybon and things began well for the Blues when a Matt Price throw secured the first wicket with a run out with the score on four. Cline (2) and Braybon (1) then began their rampage on the hapless Tatura batsmen, taking three wickets in 10 deliveries to have the Bulldogs wobbling at 4/8. Three runs later, Cline captured his third wicket and Tatura was reeling at 5/11 with five of its top six batsmen not getting past two runs.

Tatura then put on 36 runs before Mitch Grandell struck with his first wicket of the day and the lower order batsmen dug in to try and bring some respectability to the score. Cline however, put an end to that, capturing another two wickets in quick succession to have Tatura 8/74. Grandell claimed the last two wickets to fall and Tatura was eventually dismissed for 115 after 61 overs, the win ensuring Numurkah finished top of the table at the end of the regular season. Matt Cline starred with the ball with 5/17, well supported by Mitch Grandell with 3/55 off 19.3 overs and Tim Braybon 1/12. Numurkah will now play sixth placed Nagambie in their qualifying final clash to be held at Numurkah this coming Saturday.

Killer looks ...
Mitch Grandell means business on his way to three wickets.

Blues twos secure finals berth

DESPITE losing its final match of the regular season, Numurkah has managed to secure fifth place on the Clyde Young Shield B grade cricket ladder and earn a qualifying final clash against Kyabram. Chasing 175 for victory, the Blues resumed their innings at 5/60, requiring a further 115 to chase down Tatura's total. The Blues began steadily with Bailey Smith and Myles Martin at the crease, and together they moved the total to 76 before Martin was out for 11. Tyson Woods (1) followed soon after, and the Blues were 7/82. Smith was joined by Sean Dawson at the crease and they took the score to 98 before Dawson was out for 10. A last wicket partnership of 37 between Smith and Bailey Roberts brought a little respectability to the score, however when Smith was out for a terrific knock of 48, Numurkah had only managed to reach 139. The Blues were back in the field for 12 overs and ripped through the Tatura innings taking 5/46. The two Baileys, Smith and Roberts, opened the attack, Roberts capturing the first wicket with his second ball. It wasn't long before Smith had his turn, taking the next four wickets, finishing with 4/18, and Roberts 1/14. Numurkah plays Kyabram this Saturday in their qualifying final clash to be held at Mooroopna Recreation Reserve. C GRADE Leading by 34 runs after the first innings, the Blues searched for an outright win against Pine Lodge and maximum points, which they achieved with five wickets remaining. Pine Lodge commenced its second innings facing up to some terrific bowling from opening pair Hamish Lambert and Hunter Verhoeven. Verhoeven struck early with the score on nine and then took the next two wickets to have Pine Lodge at 3/33. Shawn Boswell captured his first, and soon after Riley Dawson was brought on and had immediate impact, taking two wickets, to have Pine Lodge in trouble at 6/48. Shawn Boswell continued to wreak havoc, taking three more wickets, and Pine Lodge was bowled out for 71. Boswell continued his great form with the ball, snaring 4/18. Hunter Verhoeven 3/19, Riley Dawson 2/9, and Jason Verhoeven 1/4 were the other wicket takers. The Blues had 37 runs to chase for outright victory, and Shawn Boswell and Steve Morris opened the batting and had a solid start before Morris



Good form ... Shawn Boswell in action on his way to match figures of 6/21. was out for eight. Shawn Boswell soon followed for five, and then the loss of Dave Roberts and Kade O'Dwyer both for one, saw the Blues reeling at 4/18. Reeve Verhoeven and Hamish Lambert put on a good partnership of 20, before Verhoeven was dismissed for nine. This brought older brother Hunter to the crease, and he along with Lambert saw the Blues reach 5/41, enough to claim outright victory and claim second spot on the Jim McGregor Shield C grade ladder. Numurkah will now meet Nagambie in their qualifying final clash to be played at Numurkah, this Saturday.

Timely ton for Ireland

RAY Ireland has ensured he is in good batting nick going into finals, with a magnificent unbeaten century against Karramomus on Saturday, remaining 110 not out in a team winning score of 5/264. Resuming at 0/7, Andrew Nicholls and Clay Simpson put on a 58 run partnership before Simpson fell for 15. Mitch Black joined Nicholls at the crease and contributed three runs in their 22 run partnership. Ray Ireland then joined Nicholls and together the pair put on a match winning 95 run partnership before Nicholls was out for a superb 83 with the score on 175. With four runs required for victory, Ryleigh Shannon joined Ireland at the crease and they easily surpassed the target, adding another 55 runs before Shannon was out for 20. Rob Trewin joined Ireland and together took the score to 264 before Trewin was out for 11. Ireland's innings of 110 was his highest score of the season and included 19 boundaries. The win sees Katandra finish third on the Clyde Young Shield B grade ladder and they will now take on Mooroopna, which finished fourth, in their qualifying final match to be held at Katandra Recreation Reserve this coming Saturday. E GRADE

Katandra's E grade cricketers played Pine Lodge in their final game of the regular season and lost by six wickets in a high scoring close encounter. The Eagles' won the toss and batted first, losing their first wicket when the score was on 27. A further two wickets fell for 40 runs and Katandra was 3/67. Rex Wardle and Matt Koutroubas batted solidly for the fourth wicket and put on 72 before Wardle was out for a well compiled 55. Timmy Trewin joined Koutroubas at the crease and together they took the score to 4/196 off their allotted 40 overs. Koutroubas remained 63 not out and was well supported by Rex Wardle 55, Finn Walters 26, Nathan White 17, and Timmy Trewin 12 not out. Katandra started well in the field, claiming an early wicket, however, was unable to take multiple wickets to place the pressure on the batsmen. Pine Lodge was able to reach its target with two overs remaining, scoring 4/199. Dillon Shelley, Timmy Trewin, Billy Holmes and Tom Jeffrey all claimed one wicket apiece. Katandra retained top spot on the ladder and will now play Murchison in their semi final to be held at Katandra West Primary School this Saturday.

Pancakes on menu at croquet

NUMURKAH golf croquet players not only enjoyed their croquet last Tuesday, but also a delicious morning tea of pancakes in recognition of Pancake Tuesday. It was another very close finish at the end of the morning's play, with four players all having three wins. Joan I. Hansen and Graham Tyack finished on top as equal winners, which was another first for this season, scoring 3/21/-12. David Geddes and Ian Londey, also with three wins, had a close finish for runner-up, with David taking the honours, 3/21/-14 to Ian's 3/21/-16. Four hoops-in-one were scored, two by Laurus Hinchcliffe and one each by Faye Miller and Ian Londey. Gordon Brown, Graham Tyack and the in-form Ian Londey all scored a jump shot. Numurkah's golf croquet intra-club pennant got underway last Thursday morning, and all

players enjoyed the high standard of competitive croquet. The draw for week one was Koalas v Jackals, and Dingoes v Impalas. Jackals had a good morning, winning all the doubles and the last singles, scoring 4/38 to 2/27. Koalas' only wins were in the singles, Kevin Hansen defeating wife Joan 7/4, and Laurus Hinchcliffe, after a great battle with Phil Betts, finally winning 7/6. Dingoes were impressive against the Impalas, only losing one singles and winning the match 5/38 to Impalas' 1/25. Dingoes players Joan T. Hansen and David Geddes both had good wins in their three games. The ladder after the first week is Dingoes, Jackals, Koalas and Impalas. Entries for the club championships need to be in with GC captain Rhonda and AC captain Lea this week. The championships will be played in mid-March.

NUMURKAH'S under 16 and under 14 cricket teams both doubled up on their one day premierships by taking out the two day premiership against Pine Lodge and Shepparton United respectively at Vibert Reserve on Sunday, in a perfect ending to the season.

The Blues' under 16s have not lost a match all season and were determined to take the double.

Numurkah won the toss and decided to bat first, with openers Dusty Ebborn and Callum Morris making a steady start, getting to 17 before Ebborn was dismissed for 12.

Bailey Smith joined Morris at the crease and put on 24 for the second wicket before Morris was out for 12.

With the score 2/41, Pine Lodge tightened the screws and picked up two quick wickets with no further addition to the score.

Dylan Craven was next to go with the score 5/52 and, when Kade O'Dwyer was dismissed eight runs later, the tail capitulated, losing the last four wickets for seven runs.

Numurkah was all out for 68 off 27.3 overs in what was their worse score for the season.

The Blues would have been disappointed with their batting display going into the lunch break.

"I just went in at the lunch break and asked them if anyone could give me one good reason why they couldn't win, and they couldn't, so they just came out and got the job done," coach Chris O'Dwyer said.

Bailey Smith and Bailey Roberts opened the bowling, and both were fired up, keeping it tight when Smith struck for his first wicket with the score on seven.

A bowling change saw immediate impact, with Hunter Verhoeven coming on and claim two quick wickets and Dylan Baker one, and the opposition had limped to 4/26.

Pine Lodge settled and took the score to 44 before the return of Smith got the much needed breakthrough.

At 5/44 and only requiring a further 25 runs for victory, the young Blues could sniff victory and ramped up their pressure.

Roberts and Smith both took another wicket each and the opposition was 7/45. Verhoeven returned for another bowling stint and immediately reaped the rewards with another two quick wickets to his name.

Roberts claimed the last, and his second wicket, to end the game with the score on 49, a 19 run victory to the Blues.

Hunter Verhoeven received the player of the match award for his bowling figures of 4/7 off six overs.

Other wicket takers for the Blues included Bailey Smith 3/8, Bailey Roberts 2/14 and Dylan Baker 1/6.

Coach O'Dwyer became quite emotional after the game.

"I've been coaching this team for probably 10 or 11 years now, and we've lost seven or eight of these, so to finally get one is just amazing," O'Dwyer said.

"Both sides didn't bat well, but both sides bowled really well."

"The boys have gone above and beyond. You often see them down at the nets having a bat.

"This hasn't come cheaply for them, it's been a lot of hard work, so they really deserve it and should be very proud of themselves."

UNDER 14

After winning the one day premiership, the under 14 cricketers were also looking to double up and achieved their goal, winning by two wickets against Shepparton United.

Numurkah lost the toss and fielded first. Riley Dawson and Harry McDonald opened the bowling and looked to strike early, however the opposition batted well until Harry McDonald broke through when the score was on 15.

Shepparton United steadied and put on another 16 runs before Mitch O'Dwyer struck with his first wicket.

The opposition was looking good at 2/31, however O'Dwyer soon put an end to that running rampant alongside Matt Ward and tore through the top order with ease, claiming the next three wickets for six runs.

Shepparton United quickly found itself 5/37, however regrouped and had piled on another 25 runs before Jake Bell got the vital wicket to end the growing partnership.

Tyler Stephens claimed his first wicket with the score on 71 and Harry McDonald and Matt Ward cleaned up the tail to have Shepparton United all out for 88.

Major wicket takers for the Blues were Mitch O'Dwyer 3/3, Harry McDonald 3/8, Matt Ward 2/16, and Tyler Stephens and Jake Bell both claimed a wicket apiece.

In reply, Numurkah openers Nick Hughes and Reeve Verhoeven put on eight before Hughes was dismissed.

He was soon followed by Verhoeven and Riley Dawson and Numurkah had slumped to 3/14.

Mitch O'Dwyer and Harry McDonald set about stabilising their side and batted beautifully together, putting on a 45 run partnership before McDonald was dismissed for nine.

O'Dwyer fell four runs later for a superb 35, and Numurkah was 5/63 with Riley Dobson and Matt Ward at the crease. Together they put on 16 runs before Dobson fell for 12.

The opposition didn't make it easy and claimed another two wickets to have the Blues 8/87. Lucas Roberts hit the winning two runs required and the players and supporters rushed on to the ground to congratulate the batsmen.

Player of the match was Mitch O'Dwyer for his all-round performance of 3/3 and 35 runs.

NUMURKAH JUNIORS SNARE DOUBLE PREMIERSHIP



Coach pleasers ... Under 16 premiership side: Back row: Nash Siermans, Jamieson Moore, Dylan Craven, Clayton Beer, Tommy Hughes.
Middle: Dusty Ebborn, Connor Sessions, Kade O'Dwyer, Chris O'Dwyer (coach), Dylan Baker, Bailey Smith, Bailey Roberts.
Front: Callum Morris, Hunter Verhoeven.



We won ... Players and supporters pour onto the ground after the under 14s' win.



Ready ... Connor Sessions gets bat on ball.



Brothers ... Bailey Roberts, Lucas Roberts, Riley Dawson, Kyren Dawson, Hunter Verhoeven, Reeve Verhoeven, Tom Hughes, Nick Hughes.



Masterclass ... Hunter Verhoeven in action.



Premiership glory ... Under 14 premiership team Back Row: Daniel Hughes (coach), Nathan Wallace, Riley Dobson, Lucas Roberts, Tyler Stephens, Jake Bell, Harry McDonald.
Front Row: Riley Dawson, Matt Ward, Mitch O'Dwyer, Reeve Verhoeven, Nick Hughes, Kyren Dawson.



Winners are certainly grinner... (From left): Yvonne Clark, Jan Niven, Lyn Browning, Linda Isted, Katrina Glover, Joe Luci, Des Staggard, Robyn Hodgkin, Kaye Hocking, Jenny Sutcliffe, Butch Browning, Ian Hocking, Loris Houlihan.

One up, two down, but A PREMIERSHIP IN HAND

AFTER finishing the season on top of the ladder, with only one defeat, Numurkah Golf Club's division one midweek pennant bowlers came home with a hard fought victory over Barooga at Cobram last Friday... *Story Page 15*

Katandra back in form

HAVING already taken first innings points in its Haisman Shield A grade cricket match last Saturday against Karramomus, Katandra put the pedal to the metal and claimed its first outright win of the season, ensuring they are in top form leading into finals this week.

Resuming at 6/137 and with a 58 run lead, Nathan Hickey joined

Luke Patel at the crease and together they took the score to 185 before Patel was out for a wonderful 79.

Corey Hickford joined Hickey at the crease and together put on a quick fire 35 before Hickford was out for 11.

The Eagles then declared their innings at 8/220, a lead of 141 runs. Nathan Hickey was brutal with the

bat, remaining not out and scoring a run a ball 45.

Chasing maximum points, Katandra sent Karramomus back into bat and started to reap the rewards of some good tight bowling almost immediately, the opposition losing its first wicket with the score on six.

A further two wickets fell for 10 runs before a mini partnership of 20 runs

was broken by Scott Richardson, the opposition 4/36.

Jedd Wright took the first of his three wickets with no addition to the score and another mini partnership took place, which was broken with the score on 64 by Scott Dickson.

The last four wickets fell for nine runs, Karramomus all out for 76, and a comprehensive 65 run victory

to the Eagles.

Major wicket takers for Katandra were Corey Hickford 3/14, Jedd Wright 3/25, Scott Dickson 2/5, while Hadleigh Sirett and Scott Richardson both claimed one wicket apiece.

Katandra will play Kyabram in its qualifying final clash this Saturday at Kyabram Recreation Reserve.

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