

# PYRAMID PRESS

## Historical Plaques in Pyramid Hill



The Historical Society has completed the installation of 32 plaques at historical buildings and sites around the town. The project was funded by a grant from the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal and supported by a generous donation from the Pyramid Community Opportunity Shop.

A sign displaying a map of the town and location of each plaque has been erected near the entrance to Kelly Park. Each plaque is numbered and a legend showing all plaque numbers and headings is on the sign.

A plaque was initially installed at the front of Millers Ag detailing the history of the Mechanics Institute which was once at that site. The positive feedback about that sign encouraged the society to develop a project for many more plaques at historical sites around the town. Pyramid Hill has a rich and vibrant history which can be viewed in the local museum. The plaques bring history out of the museum by providing a snap shot of history at each site. It is now easily accessible to residents and visitors as they stroll around the town.

The society is grateful to local residents who provided historical details, included names and dates. Dedicated society members spent many hours researching, collating, writing and installing the plaques.

The society has future projects in mind. QR codes can be added to each plaque to add more detail and photographs to the limited amount of information that can be written on a plaque. Further plaques can also be installed at other interesting sites around the town.

### Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

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## CO-ORDINATOR CATCH UP

Hi Neighbours

How great is Christmas Time In Pyramid Hill?

I think on last year so soon after our flood - and how every day was an act of determination.

This year we have a lot to be thankful for, a lot to be excited about. Harvest seems to be going well, lamb prices are on the up, we can buy ice-cream at the Supermarket again.. Nobody's complaining

Except Vaughan. He's crook at the moment. Cheer up mate. Nev's been in here today talking about how it's tricky to cover-off all the things that Vaughan does in a week.. because he just does stuff we all rely on without making a big fanfare about it. I hope he makes it home well and truly in time for Santa to do a whip around town this year.

Speaking about magical beasts.. thank you to the cohort who put up the latest mural on our wall on the weekend. Pyramid Hill you have kept me guessing. Nobody knows who it was! Maybe Santa?

One thing that has been going great guns this week is the planning for the Christmas Market on this Saturday.

We have a wild range of stalls from knitted, sewn and painted goods, woodwork, 3D printed dragons, toys and books, plants, cooking gear, paintings and picnic rugs.. and we also have a fascinating option to print photographs or slogans ONTO ANYTHING..

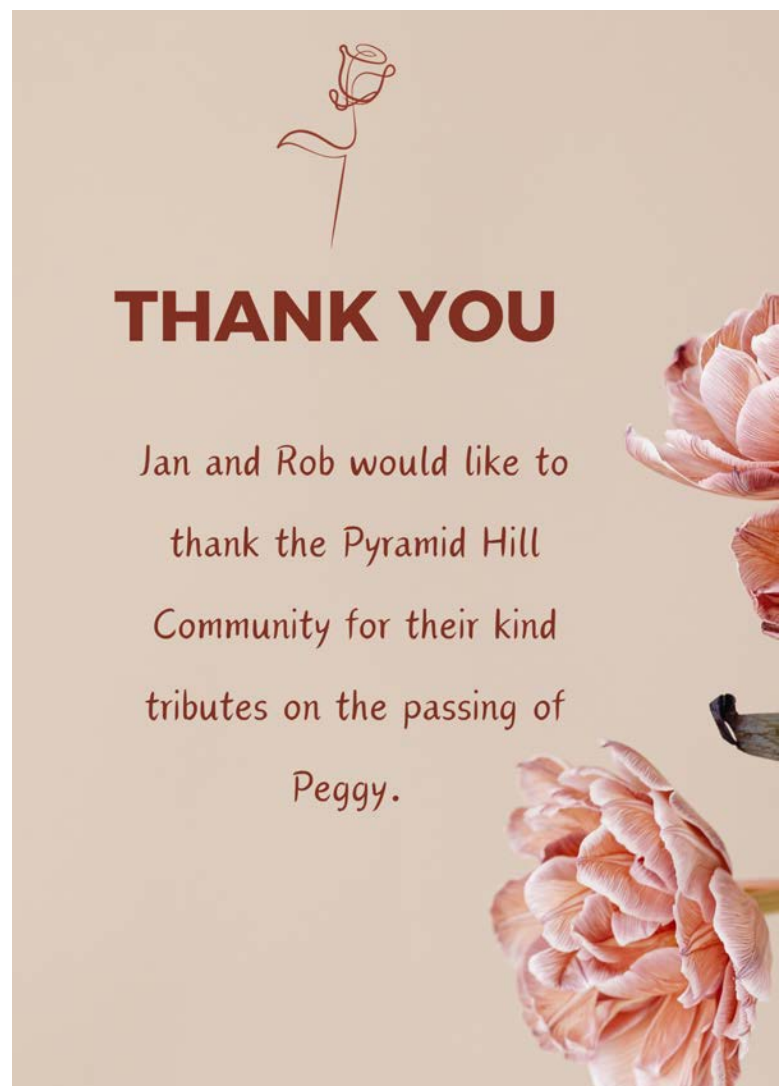
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We have such beautiful music from Marist Brass and the very groovy Jimmy Johnson. There will be some food on-site and The Coffee Bank and the Bakery Cafe will be open as well.

I am looking forward to seeing you there! As always, if anyone wants to help set up or pack up on the day.. you would be received with open arms..

Until next week..

Kim



### Justice of the Peace

Mark Boyce

Attends Neighbourhood House

fortnightly. **Next visit is:**

**Tuesday 12th December**

**12.30 - 2.30 pm**

**Bookings not required.**



# WHAT'S ON

## Christmas List Making

Sunday | Mount Hope

## Pyramid Hill Playgroup Storytime

Friday 8th December | 10.30 - 11am  
Pyramid Hill Preschool

## Nurse Practitioner Clinic at NDCH

Friday 8th December | Pyramid Hill Clinic  
Bookings Essential 54521366

## Christmas Market

Saturday 9th December | 4pm - 7pm  
Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall

## Community Fun Night

Movies, food and relaxing times with friends and family.  
Presented by the UFAO and Pyramid Progress Association  
Saturday 16th December | Mitchell Park  
Starts at 5.30pm

## Christmas Carols

Presented by Pyramid Hill Combined Churches  
Thursday 21st December | 7.30 pm  
Memorial Hall

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

### TUESDAY

**Moderate Movers exercise group** | 1 PM | Seniors  
Centre Mackay St | Break up Lunch this week!

**Morning Coffee** | 10:15 AM | Neighbourhood House  
**Goldfields Library visit** | 11:00 AM | Neighbourhood  
House

### WEDNESDAY

**Book Club** | 4:30 PM | last Wed of each month  
**Ask an Accountant** | 1:00 - 2:00 PM  
Neighbourhood House















### FRIDAY

**Rhyme Time** | 9:30 AM every Friday during term |  
Neighbourhood House

**Playgroup** | 10:00 AM | Preschool, 67 Kelly St  
**Scrabble Fever** | 2:00 PM - stumps | Neighbourhood  
House

## Neighbourhood House Closed

**Friday 22nd December -  
Tuesday 9 January**

TRAIN/COACH MELBOURNE TO PYRAMID			
Monday – Friday			
	Dep Melb	Dep Bendigo	Arrive Pyramid
	07:39 AM	10:00 AM	11:09 AM
	06:08 PM	08.26 PM	09:34 PM
Tuesday and Thursday (Need to book on Thursdays)			
	01:06 PM	TUE 03:09PM	04:29 PM
		THU 03:10PM	04:29 PM
Friday Only			
	07:08 PM	09:10 PM	10:25 PM
Saturday & Sunday Only			
	07:40 AM	10:00 AM	11:09 AM
	06:43 PM	08:57 PM	10:05 PM
TRAIN/COACH PYRAMID TO MELBOURNE			
Monday – Friday			
	Dep Pyramid	Dep Bendigo	Arrive Melb
	08:05 AM	09:18 AM	11:28 AM
	02:46 PM	03:59 PM	06:11 PM
Tuesday and Thursday			
	10:51 AM	12:26 PM	02:25 PM
Friday Only			
	05:30 PM	07:01 PM	09:09 PM
Saturday Only			
	08:05 AM	09:20 AM	11:30 AM
	02:46 PM	04:01 PM	06:09 PM
Sunday Only			
	08:05 AM	09:18 AM	11:30 AM
	05:47 PM	07:00 PM	09:12 PM

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## CHURCH SERVICES

### Anglican

**1st and 3rd Sun** | 10:00 AM  
Tyndale Church  
Victoria Street  
Pyramid Hill

**2nd Sun** | 9:00 AM  
**4th Sun** | 11:00 AM  
St Thomas' Church  
Durham Ox Road  
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Bill Boyd | 0448 219 457

### Church of Christ

Sun | 11:00 AM  
Church of Christ, Kelly St  
Enquires:  
June Smith | 0438 062 646

### Uniting

1st & 3rd Sun 10:00 AM  
Tyndale Church, Victoria St

### Kids Rock

For all school aged children  
Every second Tuesday  
during term  
3:30-5:00 PM  
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### Catholic

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The season of Advent is a time of preparation for the Christian church. It is a time of remembering and reflecting on the birth of Jesus Christ. There are four topics—Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.

Each week a candle is lit, reminding us that these things bring Christ's light to our lives and the world.

# Joy



## The Candle of Joy

This candle reflects the joy that comes through Jesus' arrival, and through the salvation he has gifted us. During a time when world conflict is dominating the headlines and people are struggling with housing, the cost of living, and unrest and division in our own country, this candle offers a bright light. This third week of Advent, let us remember that the good news of Jesus' birth has the power to bring us great joy this Christmas season. Our joy isn't dependent on what is going on in our life, in our world, or the people that we are with. It doesn't depend on the gifts we give or the gifts we find under the tree. No earthly thing can ever give us complete joy. Our joy is a gift from God.

*Advent Messages from the Combined Churches of Pyramid Hill.*



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## COMMUNITY FUN NIGHT


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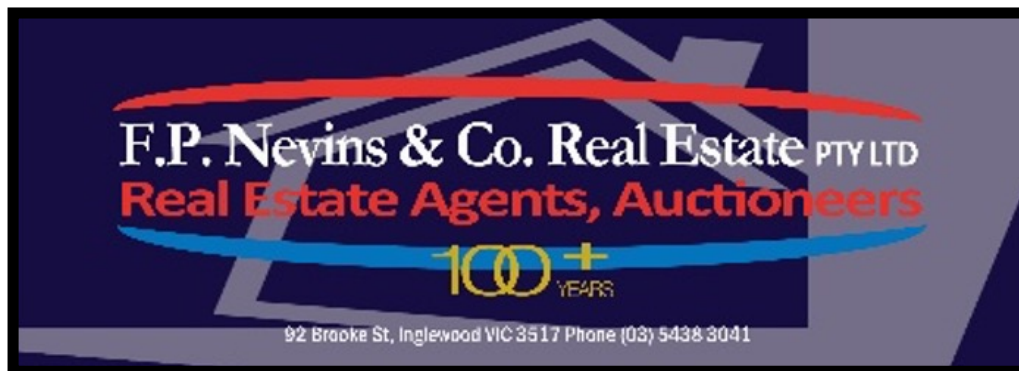
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## Tennis Notes

Results from round 8 are as follows:

Mincha West, 5 (118) def Raywood, 0 (46)  
Calivil North, 3.5 (89) def Serpentine, 1.5 (81)  
Yarrawalla, 4 (92) def Dingee, 1 (90)

Lake Meran had the bye

### Ladder

Mincha West, 4.29, 167.25%  
Calivil Nth, 3.50, 105.38%  
Dingee, 2.93, 112.84%  
Raywood, 2.71, 96.00%  
Serpentine, 1.86, 88.73%  
Yarrawalla, 1.57, 85.90%  
Lake Meran, 0.33, 62.98%

## Pyramid Hill Art Show Sections announced!

The sections and entry forms for the 2024 Pyramid Hill Art Competition and Sales are now available. The sections are as follows:

### OPEN SECTIONS

* BEST IN SHOW Chosen from all entries	\$1000
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(E) PEOPLE AND PORTRAITS	\$400
(F). STILL LIFE	\$400
(G) LANDSCAPES OR SEASCAPES	\$400
(H) REGIONAL ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - awarded to an artist residing within the Loddon Shire or within a 60 km radius of Pyramid Hill – to be selected from the above sections.	
(I) PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD Chosen by visitors to the Art Show	\$200

All sections, with the exception of Section H, are open to all artists.

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## This week's happenings at Pyramid Hill College

### ***Year Ten Dinner***



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#### **Year 10 Dinner**

Our Year 10 Dinner was held last Wednesday night in the lounge area of the Pyramid Hill Hotel. All Year 10 students looked terrific and certainly made themselves, their families and Pyramid Hill College very proud. The theme 'Men in Black' was very well received and the introduction of the code names set the scene for a memorable night. As each student's achievements were recognised, some elected to present a speech reflecting on their years at Pyramid Hill College.

A big thank you to Bu Gould for coordinating the evening and to all staff who helped out in a myriad of ways. The Victoria Hotel did a great job with the catering and was a terrific venue ; and Eloise was magnificent in her waitressing.

It was certainly a very special night as we celebrated the achievements of our fabulous Year 10 students. We wish them all the very best as they move to the next stage of their education or the world of employment.

As we say goodbye to our Year 10's we also sadly farewell some families as their youngest child leaves our setting. I would like to thank Nicole Myles, Steven Gibson, Jacinta and Jason Deller, Hayley Hipwell and Abi Umali for their unwavering support and contribution to our school.

We shall sadly miss our 2023 Year 10 students and their families but we encourage them to keep in touch and look forward to hearing of many achievements in the future.



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Supported by both State and Federal funding, these grants allow the Loddon communities to maintain strong relationships and support a more resilient future across our Shire. With a total funding of \$66,086, the Community Recovery Grants have enabled a diverse range of events and activities, including our own season launch in April 2024 to roll out across the Shire.

Local residents who were directly impacted and those that played a supporting role during the 2022 floods will be made most welcome when we come together next year.

**SENIOR NETBALL**  
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**C GRADE, C**  
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**U17, U15, U13,**  
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**Broad 0408 251 228**  
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**Operations Manager**



## PYRAMID HILL FLORIST

(Margaret Ritchie)

Christmas is fast approaching and I am now taking orders for all types of flowers and hampers (chocolates, fruit, nuts etc) and delivery can be arranged around the corner or around the world.

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Pot'n'Parma Night

### Thursday - Open Midday

Dinner from 5:30pm  
Steak'n'Pot Night

### Friday - Open Midday

Lunch from 12:00pm  
Dinner from 5:30pm  
Happy Hour 5:00pm-6:30pm  
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## Bowls Notes

As mentioned in the last report we were adopting the Advent theme and focusing on Hope, however all our hopes were pretty much dashed this week, so we will try to find some Peace – even if it's just peace within ourselves.

**Mid-week Pennant:** There was no hope of any wins last Wednesday; in fact no hope of any play at all thanks to the persistent rain.

Saturday Pennant:

**Division 2:** travelled to Cohuna Golf hoping for a good match and perhaps even some wins. The gusty wind made the challenge more difficult but played favourites with no-one. Jan, Marie N., Ian and Rose looked the goods for a short time – a very short time - and were hopeful of producing a miracle, but the Cohuna Golf folk hit their straps and were relentless in their accumulation of shots. They amassed 20 shots over four ends which made us feel a little like the Indian cricketers facing the wrath of the bat of Glen Maxwell. The losing score 16-40 dashed any hopes of an overall side victory. Marie S., Ted, Terry and Bill were evenly matched with their opponents. They had both won 12 ends and scored 20 shots before entering into the 25<sup>th</sup> and last end – a decider end after an hour on hour battle. Their hopes for a win were squashed too when they conceded three to their opponents. Lionel, Jean, Joe and Carmen (the Cauchi/Mann combination) were the sole shining light for the Hill. They began slowly and were looking a bit doubtful before they adjusted their game and started putting together some great scores. They finished their game proving that they were twice as good as their opponents with a 30-15 shot victory. Freddo Frog winners again and the Hope of the side!

**Division 3:** took on Cohuna 4 on our home turf and once again were 3 short of a full side consequently relying on substitute players and the generosity of other Clubs to provide spares. Three players were sought from Leitchville so many y=thanks to them although one player was scratched just prior to start time. What a wonderful match was played with all of our three rinks getting off to fine starts and the competition hotting up by the halfway mark. Looking across the rinks on the 13<sup>th</sup> end the scores were all tied up with 30 shots apiece. Tony R. and his team of Maurie (Lead) sub player Declan and Terry D. had the closest contest with less than a handful of shots separating them

in a see-sawing affair. Twenty-one all at the last change of ends, then 1 shot to Cohuna unfortunately saw the game slip away 21-22 but it was a very fine effort. Tony B. and his team, Dorothy (Lead in her first Saturday game), Robyn and Sub player Ron were on the front foot with a display of fine bowling, and lead all the way throughout the match but were threatened in the later stages. Tony was most impressed with his new “leading lady: and the team all combined well to shake off the opposition and finish strongly recording our only Div. 3 win by 6 shots 29-23. Lorraine and her team of Ray B. and Allan were short of a player, but took the game on anyway surprising themselves and Lorraine finding some great form cutting back numbers to single digits or even taking shot at times. Only one shot in arrears at the tea break one wonders if focus deserted the team as they immediately lost a 6. That was the break Cohuna were looking for and, despite continuing to cutback more hauls like that, Cohuna went on to score the majority of the time. We did, however, win three of the last four ends to at least finish off well even if the scores indicated otherwise (14-28). The final overall score was 58-76. It was a mighty fine effort given that being a player short meant that we had 50 less opportunities to score. The feeling was almost as good as a win. Let's keep that momentum going guys – great work!

Please TAKE NOTE:

- **Mid-week Pennant** next match **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** – Division 1 v Barham 1 at home. Division 2 v Barham 2 away.
- **Saturday Pennant** next match **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December** – Division 2 v Cohuna 2 at home. Division 3 v Leitchville away.
- Want You Need To Know – Please take note of the Bowls Etiquette for Leads and Seconds as printed on the notice board.
- **Christmas Break Up** – at Gunbower Hotel 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm. Names on the board at the Clubrooms, please. Please bring a gender matched gift to the value of \$15.

***A couple of points to ponder: How did the ornament get addicted to Christmas? He was hooked on trees his whole life.***

***Knock, knock! Who's there? Honda. Honda who? Honda first day of Christmas my true love sent to me.....***



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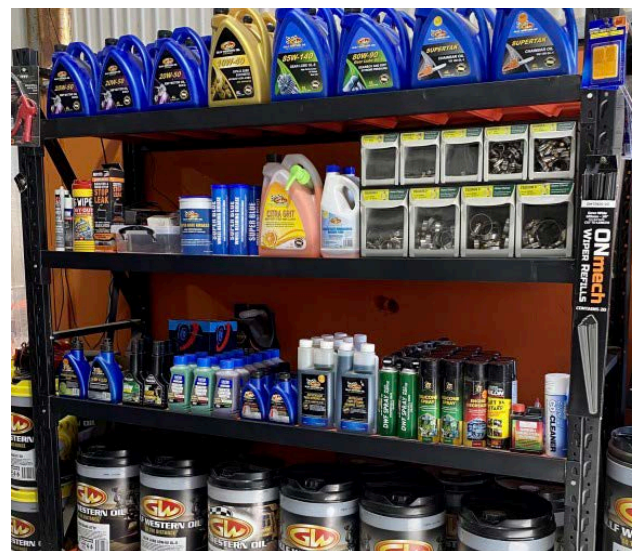
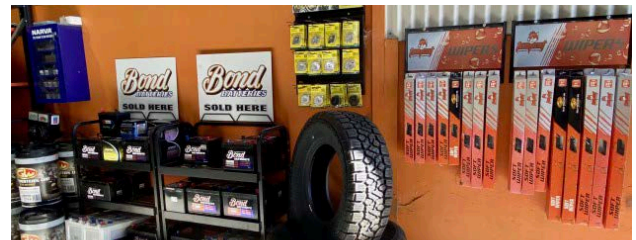
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# MAYORAL COLUMN

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Councillors for electing me Mayor for the 2023/24 term.

It is a great honour to once again be elected Mayor, a role I have been fortunate to hold previously during my time as a Loddon Shire Councillor. I thank my fellow Councillors for their support in electing me to the role and I look forward to working with Councillors, staff and the community during the coming year.

Additionally, I'd like to acknowledge and thank former Mayor, Councillor Dan Straub. Councillor Straub, who declined the nomination of Mayor at the recent Council elections, served as Mayor for the past two years.

Together with Council, I look forward to the continuation of current projects, new projects and the community around flood recovery efforts.

Martha Haylett MP announces childcare facility.

Council welcomes the announcement today (5 December) by Member for Ripon Martha Haylett MP around the establishment of a childcare facility in Wedderburn.

I was pleased to be able to be in attendance at the event today, and I would like to thank Martha Haylett for her announcement. It is great to see this step towards the start of the growth of childcare in our municipality.

I would also like to acknowledge the hard work and efforts of the local community, particularly the local parents' group, in advocating for childcare in our Shire.

Council, together with our community and local organisations, will continue to work and promote the need for childcare facilities in other towns around our Shire.

## Upcoming Council Meeting

Council's December meeting will be held Tuesday, 12 November at 3pm in the Loddon Shire Council Chambers, located behind the Wedderburn Council Office, off Peters Street.

You can also watch the Council meeting live via Council's Facebook page at

[www.facebook.com/LoddonShire](https://www.facebook.com/LoddonShire)

Some of the items on the agenda include Annual Infrastructure program project allocations, 2023 Local Sports Infrastructure Fund Application – Boort Lawn Tennis Club and Review of the Financial Reserves Policy.

To view the December Council Meeting agenda visit <https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Agendas-and-minutes/Agendas-and-minutes-2023>



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# Stop kidding yourself. If you drink, don't drive.

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