

Pyramid Press

Kinder Kids get into Book Week!



Pictured above: The Kinder Kids and teachers Mel, Tamika and Tammy celebrating Book Week.



Draco Malfoy (Jonathan Roberts)
Paddington (Jack Talbot) and Ariel
(Ruby Leerson)



Full Sport Round Up inside!

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

43 Kelly Street | Tel: 5455 7129

Hours: Tues - Fri 10-4pm

Submissions due Tuesdays | 6:00 PM

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CO-ORDINATOR CATCH UP

Hi Neighbours

I have been thinking about the things we choose to do with our lives.. While out in the garden on Tuesday I spoke with a farmer who said to me she thinks farming is like 'legal gambling' - you gamble with the profits and you gamble with the choices of what to do with your allocated plot of land. Sometimes the lambs pay well, sometimes you are struggling to feed them.. You can never really know what is coming your way, but you play trends in trade and in what the natural forces have in store for you.

Right now, I want you to be so proud of your new flock members, I have been watching these new young lambs growing into fat gutted little creatures. I am sorry the prices aren't perfect right now..

But crikey to the untrained eye, they look nice in a paddock. Along with learning how to be a good Neighbourhood House Coordinator, I think I'd like to turn my hand to naming sheep. Not counting them, no.. That's your job!

Let's start with Shanks McShearling, Woolly Warmbottom, Tina Merino, Mutton Paddock-Chew.. or if you've got one of those fancy types of sheep, how about *Pashmina Underlay*?

OK, enough of that. I imagine if I take too much of an interest in your sheep I'll end up with a few random rams in my backyard. We've got some important things coming up next week I want you to BOOK IN for. We will be visited by the Mallee Family Care legal team next Wednesday 6th September from 9.30am to talk about PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE - will making, enduring powers of attorney, medical advocates and all of that kind of thing. Then there will be a morning tea before they launch into how to PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST SCAMS. Please call and book a place for those sessions, if you can. 54557129

We also have our first PLANT & PRODUCE SWAP on Thursday 7th from 3.30pm. Come along with your over abundance of produce and see what other people are growing in their backyards. Trade, barter or donate.. We will be doing this in our front carpark.

Until next week my friends, Kim

Rural Financial Counselling Service at Pyramid Hill

Anna will be coming to Neighbourhood House to help go through Grant Applications and more..

Friday 15th September
11 - 2pm

Book in to see Anna by
contacting
Neighbourhood House
Phone: 5455 7129



Plant and Produce Swap

7.09.23 3.30 - 5.30 PM

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Neighbourhood House

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a Pyramid Hill Progress Assn initiative.

Monday 4th of September
7.30am to 9am
Lions Park, Kelly Street



WHAT'S ON

Creep Shutting

Sunday | Mount Hope

Pyramid Hill BCG Crop Walk

Thursday 31 August | 10am - 12.30pm

Martins Road Yarrowalla (*Details inside the Press*)

Pyramid Hill Progress Season BBQ

Monday 4th September | 7.30 - 9am

Lions Park Kelly Street

All Welcome

Justice of the Peace Mark Boyce

Tuesday 5th September | 12.30 - 2.30 pm

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

Protecting yourself from Scams and Planning for the Future Information Sessions

Wednesday 6th September

Protecting yourself from Scams | 9.30 am

Planning for the Future | 11 am

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House (Please call 5455 7129 to register)

Plant and Produce Swap

Thursday 7th September | 3.30 - 5.30 pm

Community Garden, Neighbourhood House

A Home Energy Efficiency Workshop held by Bendigo Sustainability Group

Tuesday 12 September | 5.30 - 7.00pm

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

PLEASE BOOK IN

Community Dinner with Rob Gordon

Wednesday 13 September | 6 pm

Dingee Hotel

WHAT'S ON *regular activities*

TUESDAYS

Moderate Movers exercise group | 1 PM | Seniors Centre

Mackay St | BYO exercise mat or towel

Morning Coffee | 10:15 AM | Neighbourhood House

Goldfields Library visit | 11:00 AM | Neighbourhood House

WEDNESDAYS

Social Bowls | 7:00 PM | 98 Victoria St

Book Club | 4:30 PM | last Wed of each month

Ask an Accountant | 1:00 - 2:00 PM | Neighbourhood House

FRIDAYS

Rhyme Time | 9:30 AM every Friday during term |

Neighbourhood House

VLINE TRAIN AND COACH

Monday – Friday

Train dep Melbourne | 07:39 AM and 06:08 PM

Departs Bendigo | 10:00 AM and 08.26 PM

Arrives Pyramid | 11:09 AM and 09:34 PM

Tuesday and Thursday

(Need to book on Thursdays)

Train dep Melbourne | 01:06 PM

Coach dep Bendigo | Tuesday 03:09 PM

Thursday | 3.10 PM

Arrive Pyramid | 04:29 PM

Friday Only

Train dep Melbourne | 07:08 PM

Arrives Bendigo | 09:00 PM

Coach departs Bendigo | 09:10 PM

Arrives Pyramid | 10:25 PM

Saturday & Sunday only

Train dep Melbourne | 07:40 AM and 06:43 PM

Arrives Bendigo | 10:00 AM and 08:57 PM

Arrives Pyramid | 11:09 AM and 10:05 PM

V/LINE TO MELBOURNE

Monday – Friday

Train dep Pyramid | 08:05 AM and 02:46 PM

Arrives Bendigo | 09:18 AM and 03:59 PM

Arrives Melbourne | 11:28 AM and 06:11 PM

Tuesday and Thursday

Coach dep Pyramid | 10:51 AM

Train dep Bendigo | 12:26 PM

Train Arrives Melbourne | 02:25 PM

Friday only

Coach dep Pyramid | 05:30 PM

Train dep Bendigo | 07:01 PM

Train Arrives Melbourne | 09:09 PM

Saturday only

Train dep Pyramid | 08:05 AM and 02:46 PM

Departs Bendigo | 09:20 AM and 04:01 PM

Arrives Melbourne | 11:30 AM and 06:09 PM

Sunday only

Train dep Pyramid | 08:05 AM and 05:47 PM

Departs Bendigo | 09:18 AM and 07:00 PM

Arrives Melbourne | 11:30 AM and 09:12 PM

BOOK CLUB

Recommended Read

The Family Doctor by Debra

Oswald [writer of tv series

Offspring]. A gripping thriller with a fascinating moral question at its heart..

When is it ok to kill someone?

Last Wednesday of the Month.



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

Pyramid Hill

Enquiries:

Rev Sue Allen | 0417 365 386

Bill Boyd | 0448 219 457

Church of Christ

Sun | 11:00 AM

Church of Christ, Kelly St

Enquires:

June Smith | 0438 062 646

Kids Rock

For all school aged children

3:30 - 5:00 PM |

Every second Tuesday during term

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Robyn | 0427 561 973

Catholic

Sat Mass | 6:30 PM

St Patrick's Catholic Church, Victoria St

Uniting

1st & 3rd Sun 10:00 AM

Tyndale Church, Victoria St

Justice of the Peace

Mark Boyce

Tuesday 5th September

12.30 - 2.30 pm

*Bookings not required, just call in to
Neighbourhood House*




LODDON VALE LANDCARE GROUP

AGM AND GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER
DURHAM OX HALL
7.30PM
ALL WELCOME
AGENDA INCLUDES

1. Discussion on rabbit control
2. Boxthorn happenings
3. What to do next

Inquiries to Sue Bennett 0428 551 275




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COMMUNITY DINNER WITH

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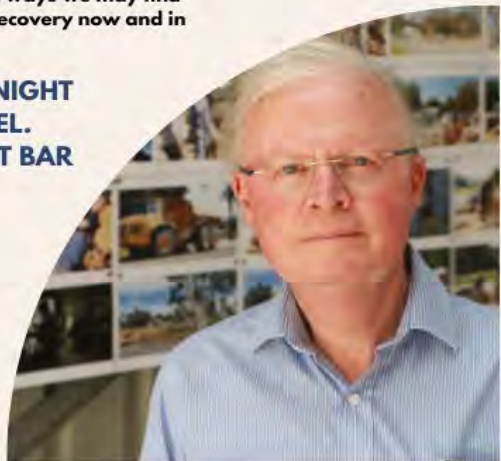
This event is something you do not want to miss. Since Ash Wednesday, Dr Rob Gordon has been working extensively in the field of disaster recovery. He has worked with people and communities after floods, cyclones, fires and other events throughout Australia, providing support and insight into the different ways we may find ourselves thinking and feeling as we navigate recovery now and in the future.

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SENIOR NOTES

WITH P&C..

Friday 4th August

A group played card bingo. Best scored 8 and couple 7, then cuppa and bicky enjoyed. Next Friday will be Luncheon, 2 courses for \$10.

An item for the raffle would be appreciated.

Lunch at 12.15 pm
ALL WELCOME



Peg



INGLEWOOD COMMUNITY

R U OK? DAY BBQ

Make time to ask
R U OK?

A great opportunity to reconnect with friends and neighbours, new and old and enjoy a delicious free BBQ lunch plus giveaways and more. The friendly faces of our local services including Inglewood and Districts Health Service and the Inglewood Community Neighbourhood House will also be on site to catch up, check in and have a chat about the local support services available

THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Start at 12 - 2PM

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Pyramid Hill College



St Patrick's Primary School



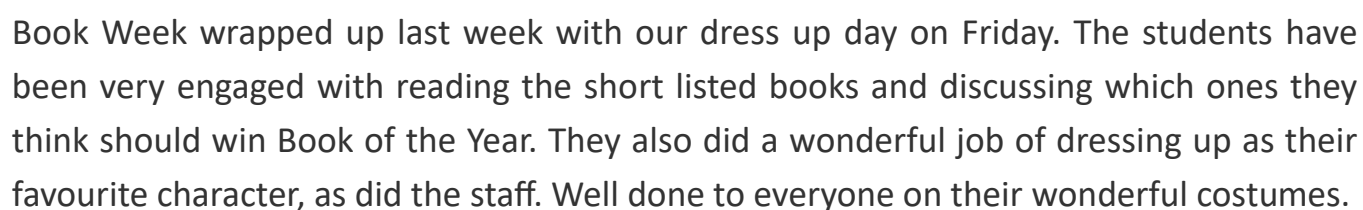
Activity	St Patrick's School	Pyramid Hill College
School students visit Preschool	Tuesday 29th August @10:15am	Tuesday 5th September @10:15am
Preschool visit to school	Thursday 5th October @10:30am	Wednesday 11th October @10:30am
Transition Days	Monday 13th November	9:00am-10:30am
	Monday 20th November	9:00am-10:30am
	Monday 27th November	9:00am-10:30am
Moving Up Day	Tuesday 12th December	9:00am-3:20pm

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT**

**2024 ENROLMENTS
NOW OPEN**

Pyramid Hill College
03 54 557 377
St Patrick's Primary School
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Pyramid Hill Golf Club

Annual tournament results

The annual tournament was held from Friday August 11th to Sunday August 13th. We saw strong numbers over the three days. Thank you to all the players who competed, our sponsors, the catering team (led by Meg Stewart and Carol Mullins), office team, bar staff and to those who prepared the course. We are very lucky to have such excellent community support.

Jim Stewart Memorial: Steve Marshall and John Kennedy
A Grade Winner: Don Stewart and Steve Amos
A Grade Runner up: Snow Needs and Steve Campbell
B Grade Winner: Steve Marshall and John Kennedy
B Grade Runner up: Jed Stewart and Blake Gibson
Non-handicap Winner: Steve Gibson and Scott Lucas
Best 9: Ian Scurrah and Darren Carnie 27 points
NTP 2: Neil Bradford **NTP 10:** Matt Scott
NTP 12: Don Stewart **NTP 16:** Steve Campbell
2nd Shot on 18: Liam Pascoe
Longest drive (0-15 handicap): Aaron Morris
Longest drive (Over 15 handicap): Simon Portwine
Longest drive (Over 60 age): Michael Morris
Nearest Fred's Tree: Darren Carnie

Saturday Stroke Day

Men's results
W&H Schmidt trophy: Michael Morris
Soufflet Cup: Jed Stewart
A Grade 27 Hole Scratch Winner: Michael Morris
A Grade 27 Hole Handicap Winner: Jason Deller
A Grade 18 Hole Scratch Winner: Dale Jager
A Grade 18 Hole Handicap Winner: Bob O'Bree
A Grade 9 Hole Scratch Winner: Don Stewart
A Grade 9 Hole Handicap Winner: Nathan Free
B Grade 27 Hole Scratch Winner: Ted Carmody
B Grade 27 Hole Handicap Winner: Jed Stewart
B Grade 18 Hole Scratch Winner: Ian Hubble
B Grade 18 Hole Handicap Winner: Barry Meighan
B Grade 9 Hole Scratch Winner: Steve Amos
B Grade 9 Hole Handicap Winner: Steve Marshall
NTP 2: Aaron Morris **NTP 10:** -
NTP 12: Mark Hamley **NTP 16:** Steve Marshall
2nd Shot on 6: Steve Gibson **2nd Shot on 18:** Brendan James
Nearest Fred's Tree: Rob Murrell
Longest drive A Grade: Bob O'Bree
Longest drive B Grade: Adam Twigg
Longest drive Veteran: Michael Morris
Teams event: Shane Carmody, Paddy Carmody, John Kennedy and Ted Carmody

Sunday Ambrose Day

Jan Burke Memorial Stroke Winner: Steve Amos, Sue Amos and Ben Haines
Jan Burke Memorial Handicap Winner: Jason Deller, Maree Ring and Luke Roberts
Any Combination Stroke Winner: Dave McNamara, Paul Robinson and Gary Valentine
Any Combination Handicap Winner: Luke Hadfield, Col Wilkie and Barry Gladman
Non Handicap Winner: Steve Gibson, Annie Gibson and Blake Gibson
Ladies NTP 2: Annie Gibson **Ladies NTP 10:** Georgina

Haines

Ladies NTP 12: Kate Bartels

Ladies NTP 16: Sue Amos

Ladies longest drive: Sue Amos

Men's NTP 2: Glen Bartels

Men's NTP 10: Glen Bartels

Men's NTP 12: Joel Woolhouse
Morrison

Men's NTP 16: Ken

NTP 2nd shot on 3: Peter Dwyer

Men's longest drive (0-15 handicap): Joel Woolhouse

Men's longest drive (Over 15 handicap): Matt Scott

Men's longest drive (Veterans): Col Wilkie

Nearest Fred's Tree: Shane Carmody

Men's NTP 12 Over the tournament: Mark Hamley

Shoutout to the incredible Pyramid Hill volunteers



Sunday's First Semi Final was an absolute success, and it's all thanks to our dedicated volunteers who went above and beyond to make it happen.

From setting up the grounds to cooking the BBQ, manning the gate, setting up round the courts, helping out in the canteen and ensuring everything ran like clockwork, you all played an essential role in making the day a memorable one. It was a mighty effort and what our volunteers do doesn't go unnoticed. Thank you.

The bumper crowd and the shining sun were just the cherry on top, reminding us that the spirit of footy and netball is alive and thriving in our beautiful country community. Your hard work and enthusiasm truly shine a light on the heart and soul of Pyramid Hill Football and Netball Club.

A massive THANK YOU to each and every one of you who volunteered your time, energy, and passion. Your dedication is what makes our club a tight-knit family, and we couldn't be prouder to have you on our team.

FOOTBALL

Week 2 of the Finals did not pan out as hoped for Bulldog's fans. After three wins from three the previous weekend it was back to square one. Playing at home in front of family and friends our young and small band of Under 18s gave it their all but were simply overpowered by a stronger and bigger Inglewood unit. It took until late in the game for our boys to register their first goal, but it was greeted with plenty of cheers. As usual our Pups were fully committed and were prepared to attack all contests and help their teammates. Lead by Harrison Goodes (Pyramid Hill Butchers) with 3 fantastic running goals, and Blake Gibson (Ant Free Shearing), the Bulldogs actually won the final quarter and were mobbed by fans at game's end. Riley Hutton (Bruce and Fiona Moon) and Toby Fernandez (Victoria Hotel Pizza) were spent forces courtesy of 4 quarters of hard slog. In a great team effort, others to perform well on the "big stage" included Jacobi Mitchell (Wizartry Beanie), Kobi Manton (Good Sports) and Connor McCoy (1 goal). It has been a bonus for our club that Bryden and Luke have been able to assemble our small squad and keep junior football alive in our community; we are extremely grateful for the effort and commitment. The Bulldogs are also grateful for Inglewood's gesture in "lending" us a player in the final term; our squad of 14 appreciated it, as would the huge crowd who witnessed the game. The PHFNC would like to extend thanks to all match day sponsors; Pyramid Hill Butchers, Ant Free Shearing, "Wizartry" Signs, Bruce and Fiona Moon, Jan and Geoff Hickmott (Good Sports), and all others who contributed in keeping our boys on the park. Special thanks to "Jonesy" and Greg who assisted with weekly transport. As usual it was fantastic to see so many of our seniors and reserves supporting the boys. If you know of players who may be interested in having a game and seeing "what we are about", introduce them to anyone at the club. Remember, we are all recruiters for our Club.



The Reserves were uncharacteristically beaten in emphatic fashion by a dominant Marong unit. Plenty of opportunities were created in an opening term that saw both teams launch ample forward thrusts, but the 'Dogs were off target, and 1-4 to 3-0 at the change, simply got worse. Two goalless terms followed, and a 50-point deficit at the final change was never going to be reversed. To the boys' credit they won the final



stanza, but Marong were deserved 50-point victors. Rowan Pollock looked dangerous when the ball made its way through a frugal Panther's defence and conjured up 3 goals to take his season tally to 77. What supply he did receive came through tireless work by Tom Nunn (Pony Award), Mitch Gunther and Dylan Lovell in the corridor. With the ball spending plenty of time in our back-half that's where our better performers were found. Matt Moon (National Hotel) and Darcy Hetherington (Victoria Hotel) were resolute and Brad Moon (Good Sports) was still running hard at game's end. Ben Culross and Connor Gibbins were others to find plenty of the ball but for the Coach's bench there was plenty to work on in preparation for today's clash.

The Seniors were gallant in defeat, but in finals there is no second prize. Although defeated there were ample positives to be taken from the clash, and we head into today's match keen to bounce straight back. The 'Dogs had one more scoring shot, and shared the goals between seven players which are both positives. The first term saw us with 8 scoring shots, but in arrears by 9 points. There were plenty of forward opportunities thanks to tireless and energetic run from Brodie Carroll (Victoria Hotel), and his 4 goals were momentum swingers. He had ample support from Bryden Morison (National Hotel) who was literally last man up at the stoppages. His bullocking work and hard tackling were instrumental in the 'Dogs capacity to stay in the contest when it looked as though a Panther surge was imminent. In a great third term the Bulldogs eroded the 20-point half time deficit and lead for stages. Dylan Collis, Seb Relouw and Billy Micevski were all prominent as the 'Dogs made their surge. However, four goals from nine attempts meant some of the hard work was left undone, as there was still a small deficit at the final change. In the final term the Panthers were able to hold us at arm's length, and with 2 late goals, pushed the margin to four goals. Others to impress included Dylan Morison, Gav James and Zac Dingwall as they regularly turned defence into attack. A special thank you to all members, players and supporters who pitched in and helped deliver an excellent 1st Semi Final at Mitchell Park last Sunday; your efforts are genuinely appreciated. The LVFNL B+F vote count and awards night on Monday saw three Bulldog's players recognised for their 2023

efforts. Congratulations to Dylan Collis on his Frank Harding Medal. Playing just 7 games and picking up 6 "best ons" in his 19 votes was an achievement of note. Rowan Pollock picked up another Reserves goal kicking award, finishing the season on 74 goals, and has added another 6 during the finals. Imogen Broad was named the LVFNL Netball "Rising Star" for season 2023; a top effort by all three. Best of luck to our Seniors, Reserves and C Grade Netball today.

#bulldogs23

#playyourrolephonedownbuckleup



Pictured right: Wes Moon, Robert Moon and Bruce Moon.

Towards 2024

And just like that our U18's 2023 football season is over.

This team of red, white and blue champions grew from the belief that we could get together a group of young men willing to pull on the Bulldogs jumper and start to turn around a few lean years where we weren't able to field a team at all.

What these young lads have achieved in a few short months under the leadership of Bryden, Luke and their match day team has been nothing short of amazing.

Our boys have learned how to lose graciously, to respect our opposition and play the game with good humour and good sportsmanship. They also now know the value of belonging to a team,

In difficult times for country football netball clubs we are thrilled to bits that parents and caregivers are walking into the Club to support our kids. Thank you. It's a privilege to have you all jump aboard the Bulldog Bus.

Thanks to everyone who provided match day awards this year, we appreciate every one of you.

Thanks to Jonesy and Greg for driving our kids to where they needed to be each week

Thanks to Fitzy and members of our senior teams for your support over the season

Last but certainly not least. Special thanks to the Inglewood Football Netball Club Coach and U18 players who jumped in to give our boys a hand today - what a great display of good sportsmanship that was. Best of luck to the U18 "Woodies" as they continue their 2023 finals campaign.

We want to have a real crack next year so if you have any mates interested in a game of footy tell them about the Pyramid Hill Football Netball Club and bring them along to see what we are all about.

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NETBALL

Semi Final

A Grade

It was a tightly contested first half. Pyramid held a 2-goal lead at quarter time which they carried to half time. Marong made some game changing moves to dominate the third quarter. Pyramid worked hard in the last quarter but maroon were too good. Thanks to all the players for their determination through the season and many thanks to our awesome coach Gemma for all her efforts!

Final score Marong 57- Pyramid Hill 42

Awards: Amber Angel & Jess Holdstock



Elsie and Yvonne Poole

B Grade

It wasn't our day unfortunately- the team started out strong taking an early lead in the first quarter before dropping intensity to come off two down at quarter time. Some mistakes and accurate shooting from Bridgewater saw us drop our heads a little in the second and third quarters. We came out fighting hard in the fourth and came within five goals before Bridgewater once again ran away with the goals and the win. Bit disappointing end but a great, fun season by all! Thanks to Deb for coaching.

Final Score: Bridgewater 46 Pyramid Hill 34

Awards: Megan Gunther & Taylah Woodward



Face painting champions

C Grade

It was a very warm day in Pyramid Hill and a strong start from our girls. They were all working hard in the hot conditions, defence chasing the ball down with all their efforts, midcourt moving the ball effectively and determinedly gaining the goals. In the final quarter the lead changed several times, the tight contest ending in a draw. Going into overtime, we managed to gain enough goals to maintain the lead. Awesome efforts!

Final Score: Pyramid Hill 43 Newbridge 40

Awards: Emily Prout & Shannon Taylor



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- **Community Nursing**
- **Community Support**
- **Registered NDIS provider**
- **Health Promotion**

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8.45am to 5.30pm
Phone: 03 5452 1366

- **Community Nursing**
- Help manage your health and wellbeing at home
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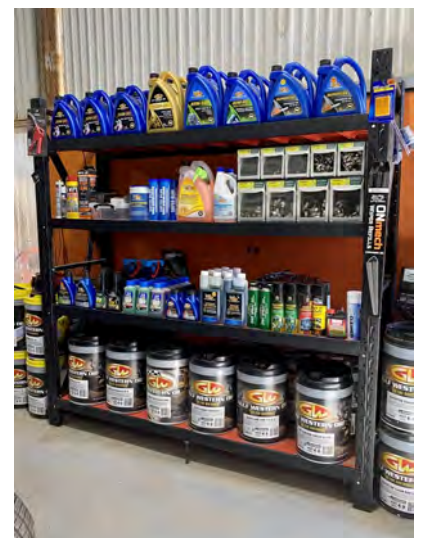
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(other times by appointment)
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Pyramid Hill Preschool achieves quality standard

At our August Council Meeting, Council noted that Pyramid Hill Preschool meets the National Quality Standard (NQS) – part of the national benchmark for early childhood education. This assessment indicates that children attending the Loddon Kindergarten at Pyramid Hill receive a quality program that enhances their learning in the two years prior to primary school. I want to thank everyone involved in making this achievement possible.

Mitiamo and Calivil lighting update

I'm excited to share news of the lighting upgrades happening in our community. Lighting poles have been installed at both Mitiamo and Calivil recreation reserves. The poles are up, but there's still some final work to be done before they're operational. This is an important step in making our fields more versatile and accessible for evening activities. This project aligns with Council's objectives of maintaining sports and recreation and open public spaces to enable and promote access and participation.

Parliament flood inquiry update

Last Thursday (24 August), I presented on behalf of Loddon Shire at the Victorian Parliamentary Legislative Council Environment and Planning Committee public hearing in Echuca. The panel consisted of Campaspe and Gannawarra Mayors and CEOs as well as two members from the Northern Victorian Emergency Management Cluster. Key topics discussed included the early warning systems, rural levees, mental health support, impact on farmers due to livestock losses, inadequate funding arrangements and the roles/responsibilities of agencies. The committee will table their report in June 2024. The report will provide recommendations in response to what they have been told during the hearings and from the submissions.

Record number of entries for Healthy Minds Network Art Competition

The 2023 Loddon Healthy Minds Network Art Competition has seen a record number of entries from schools across the Loddon region, with a total of 260 entries from 10 schools:

- Pyramid Hill College
- East Loddon P-12 College
- Boort District P-12 School
- Wedderburn College
- Inglewood Primary School
- Bridgewater-on-Loddon Primary School



- Tarnagulla Primary School
- St Mary's Primary School
- St Patrick's Primary School
- Home schooling

It's fantastic to see this year's Healthy Minds Network Art Competition has seen so many entries from schools across our region. I'd like to thank and acknowledge these schools, their students and art teachers for their amazing contribution to the competition, but also in helping break

the stigma around youth mental health across our Loddon region. The art competition with themes around good mental health and wellbeing encourages those who enter the competition – particularly our young people – to have healthy conversations about mental health. Being able to have these conversations is an important element to breaking the stigma associated with mental health. The Loddon Healthy Minds Network Art Competition is supported with funding from Loddon Shire Council and Community Bank Inglewood & Districts Entries are being prepared for judging – so make sure to keep an eye out for prize winner announcements coming soon. For more information about the Loddon Healthy Minds Network, visit www.loddonhealthyminds.com.au/

VNI West Project update

Transmission Company Victoria (TCV) recently shared new information regarding the schedule for engaging with landholders and upcoming steps in the project. Below are some key points to note from the update.

Landholder engagement

TCV land team has begun conversations with landholders in a draft corridor for the VNI West transmission project. This is an area of approximately 2kms wide that runs from the Murray River to Bulgana.

Key finding reports

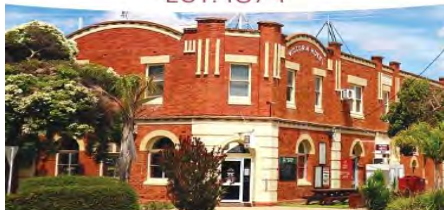
Reports outlining the key findings of previous community engagement have been published on the TCV website. This includes a detailed report on the outcomes of community events and the interactive map. To read the reports make sure you visit: https://www.transmissionvictoria.com.au/~/_id=27C37FDEB6C14F29BA0A5BCA6C56A4BB&_z=z

Community Reference Group

TCV is inviting community members to join the VNI West Community Reference Group. This is an important opportunity to ensure that the community's voices are heard. You can find more information and sign up here: https://www.transmissionvictoria.com.au/~/_id=BBFB2F7266164F62957149E43BFAD435&_z=z 3 of 6 To read the project update in full make sure to visit: <https://www.transmissionvictoria.com.au/project-updates>

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Thursday – Open Midday

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