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Wild Day for Qualifying Finals

Spare a thought for the netballers who had their games interrupted on the weekend due to wild weather!

This awesome pic is by local photographer, Elizabeth Sinclair!

More news on how Pyramid fared in the Qualifying Finals inside:



Inside: Pyramid Hill Progress Brekky, Women's Gathering, Vale Colin Bennett, Stride for Mental Health, PHFNC photos and news, St Patrick's school news, call for Loddon Shire Council elections, GMW media release, Just a Farmer movie screening

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REMINDER: NO PRESS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

WHAT'S ON

Romeo and Juliet the Broadway Musical

Sunday | Mount Hope

Pyramid Hill Senior Citizens

Friday 30 August | 1pm

Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall

Durham Ox Memorial Hall Committee meeting

Tuesday 3 September | 7pm

Durham Ox Hall

Pyramid Hill Progress Association Breakfast

Friday 6 September | 7.30 - 9:30am

Kelly St Park

Just a Farmer movie screening

Sunday 8 September | 1 - 4pm

Kerang Memorial hall

BCG Main Field Day NULLAWIL

Wednesday 11 September | 8.30am - 4pm

Refer to Press 22.8.24

STRIDE PRS

Wednesday 11, 25 Sept | 9, 23 Oct | 2 - 4pm

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

Women's Gathering

Thursday 12 September | 9:30am - 1:30pm

Durham Ox Hall

RSVP Loddon Shire | 5494 1200

NDCH Nurse Practitioner visits Pyramid Hill

Thursday 12 Sept, 3rd October, 5 December

NDCH Clinic, call 54521366 for an appointment

MAD AZZ

Friday 13 September | 8pm

Victoria Hotel

Loddon Shire Council election nominations close

Tuesday 17 September

Pyramid Hill FOODSHARE 2024 dates

Monday 23 September | 21 October | 18 November | 2nd December

From 4.30pm at Pyramid Hill Catholic Church while supplies last.

Pyramid Hill Progress Association Meeting

Wednesday 18 September | 7pm

* third Wednesday of the each month

Victoria Hotel

Justice of Peace

12.30- 2pm Tuesday 3rd & 17th Sept | 15th & 29th

Oct | 12th & 25th Nov | 10th Dec

Neighbourhood House

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAYS

Junior Darts | 5pm | Golf Club

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TUESDAYS

Morning Coffee | 10:15 AM | Neighbourhood House

Goldfields Library visit | 11:00 AM | Neighbourhood House

WEDNESDAYS

Moderate Movers exercise group | 1 PM | Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall | BYO exercise mat or towel **[not during holidays]**

Social Bowls | 7:00 PM | 98 Victoria St

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

THURSDAYS

Art Group | 10.30AM Neighbourhood House

Pyramid Cares Walking Group | 9.15AM Neighbourhood House

FRIDAYS

Playgroup | 10:00 AM | Preschool, 67 Kelly St

Scrabble Fever | 2:00 PM - stumps | Neighbourhood House



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Catholic

Sat Mass | 6:30 PM
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		THU 03:10PM	04:29 PM

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Saturday & Sunday Only


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	06:43 PM	08:57 PM	10:05 PM

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	02:46 PM	03:59 PM	06:11 PM



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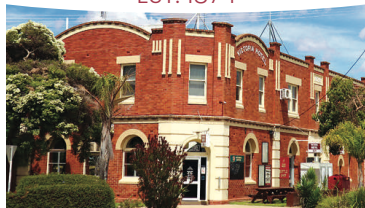
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Members of the Durham Ox and surrounding communities are invited to

attend a meeting of the Durham Ox Memorial Hall Committee on: Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 7:00 at the Durham Ox Hall.

The agenda for the Durham Ox Memorial Hall Committee will be circulated at or prior to the meeting by contacting Jo Haw on 0407 666 290 or email mjhaw@bordnet.com.au

We would love to see as many as possible attend, and to register your attendance for the meeting, please contact

Jo Haw on 0407 666 290 or

Steve Maxted on 0409 551 244.

STRIDE For better
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Stride PRS program is a FREE PHN funded program aimed at servicing regional isolated areas with psychosocial support to those experiencing mental health concerns.

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Netball Notes

Qualifying Final Maiden Gully YCW

PHFNC had A Grade and B Grade netball teams compete, and Senior football and Reserves football teams, who all came away with a Win!

Congratulations to all Teams. Elimination Final played at Pyramid Hill, Sunday August 25th 2024. PHFNC had C Reserve netball team compete, and the Under 17's netball team and also the Under18's football team. Bad luck to the C reserve and U18's who lost on the day. The Under 17's Netball team had a Win, Congratulations Girls!

2nd Semi Final played at Bridgewater this Saturday August 31st, 1st Semi Final played at Marong this Sunday September 1st. Please come along and support all teams playing finals, Good Luck to all Netball and Football teams playing this weekend. Go Bulldogs #2024#

50 Games Milestone- Mikayla Burge. Congratulations to Mikayla Burge on reaching her 50 -game milestone with the Pyramid Hill Football and Netball Club. Since joining in 2022, Mikayla has been a key player and a remarkably accurate goaler, contributing to both A and B grade teams. Her consistency and skill on the court earned her the runner-up position in this years B grade Best and Fairest. Mikayla has also been a valuable asset off the court, taking on roles as a junior team manager and now co-coach. Thank you for your dedication, Mikayla- here's to many more games and successes ahead. "Congratulations"

A Grade- An amazing start was an understatement! P Hill came out wanting to win and their pressure and intensity proved that. Accurate goaling and passing into goals was a highlight which led to a 19-7 start. From quarter 2, Newbridge raised their pressure from the first centre pass. Their goaling accuracy improved and so did their confidence. Scores 29-20. In the third quarter, Aleesha and Abbey continued their strong circle defence to rebound everything in sight. Scores 39-31 In the 4th, Newbridge were determined to try and claw back the deficit. Our defence continued to work the ball down with patience however, Newbridge's defence pressured our entries and shots, limiting our goal scoring ability. We were pleased to be up at the final whistle by 3 to move into the second Semi-Final. Best on Award- Victoria Hotel Pyramid Hill Award: Aleesha Flanagan. "Special Donated Award": Aleesha Flanagan. Best On Court- By the Umpires: Abbey Dingwall. Qualifying Final Results- Final Score: Pyramid Hill 44 Newbridge 41.

B Grade- The first round of finals the girls all knew it was going to be a tough, tight game and it was. Both teams fought hard to keep the scores tight,

going into the third quarter we were 2 goals and managed to fight hard to peg the small margin back and go into the last quarter in the lead and managed to come home with the win. The girls played an awesome team game. Well done Mik for your outstanding goaling. Best On Award- Victoria Hotel Pyramid Hill Award: Mikayla Burge. "Players Award": Mikayla Burge. Best on Court -By Umpires: Mikayla Burge. Qualifying Final Results -Final Score: Pyramid Hill 51 Marong 49.

C Reserve- With an unseasonably sunny day and storm warnings to contend with, the girls came out slow. We soon found our feet and challenged Bridgey to meet our intensity. Our dynamic duo in goals, Dayna and Claire, worked hard to make use of the rebounds and intercepts brought in by Kelly and Mealz. Our mid court had a number of shake ups in the hopes of managing exhaustion but made sure to maximise on any turnovers. We had many moments of tenacity that kept Bridgewater on their toes. Ultimately, the heat and a stronger opposition overcame us, and we sadly ended the season on a five -goal deficit. Best on went to a very deserving Kelly Gould. Best On Award- National Hotel Award: Kelly Gould. Elimination Final Results- Final Score: Pyramid Hill 33 Bridgewater 38.

17 & Under- In sweltering yet windy conditions, Pyramid Hill faced Maiden Gully YCW in a crucial Elimination Final. Despite the challenging weather, the Pyramid Hill girls showcased exceptional resilience and skill. Having been defeated by Maiden Gully YCW the previous week. They were determined to turn the tide. From the beginning, Pyramid Hill maintained a comfortable lead, demonstrating their commitment and improved play. With the win secured, they eagerly look forward to their clash with Marong. All the Best on Sunday Girls! Best On Award- Pyramid Hill News and Post Award: Alina Gould. Pyramid Hill Socks Award: Mia Farrar. Best On Court Award- By Umpires: Alina Gould. Elimination Final Results- Final Score: Pyramid Hill 39 Maiden Gully YCW 25.

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More photos of the Football and Netball Finals

FINALS 2024

HOST VENUES

QUALIFYING FINAL SATURDAY, AUG 24 MAIDEN GULLY	ELIMINATION FINAL SUNDAY, AUG 25 PYRAMID HILL
2ND SEMI FINAL SATURDAY, AUG 31 BRIDGEWATER	1ST SEMI FINAL SUNDAY, SEPT 1 MARONG
PRELIMINARY FINAL SATURDAY, SEPT 7 INGLEWOOD	
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To Bryden & Luke

With thanks for a great year!
 The 2024 Pyramid Hill Football Netball Club
 U18's Football Team



Football

Qualifying Final/U 18 Elim

Marist College Oval was the venue as the Seniors and Reserves finals' series kicked off, and after an overnight downpour it took players from all teams, time to adjust to the slippery playing surface. The Bulldogs Seniors and Reserves teams showed that home- and-away form accounts for little once the "playoffs" arrive. In both home and away meetings with Bridgewater the 'Dogs Reserves couldn't conjure a win, and the same "stat" applied for the Seniors against the "Bears". The Bulldogs were under the "pump" early in the Reserves, but gradually changed the momentum of the match and in the second half pulled away for a meritorious win.

The Seniors was an early arm-wrestle, with the scorers not troubled for almost seven minutes. From then on, the Bulldogs got their running game going and the further the game went the greater the control they asserted.

The Reserves clash was all one-way traffic for most of the opening term, and "Bridgey" had 3 goals on the board in quick time. By the "time on" period however, Tom Walker, Mitch Gunther, Greg Quinn and Matt Moon had helped initiate a change in momentum and a late goal cut the margin to two goals. From this point on the Bulldogs slammed on 7 goals to 2 and won by almost three goals. The "bench" would have been happy with the excellent leadership of the senior players, and the great run and carry of Mitch Gunther, Glen James and Ed Caburnay. Mitch was able to claim the "Good Sports Award" for a 4-quarter effort that included strong running, timely marking, and precision disposal. Again, Tom Walker, this year's "B+F" winner was the catalyst, with his game, in the corridor and at both ends, the reason why the 'Dogs got the ball into the scoring zone so frequently after the first term. As a result, the "Victoria Hotel Award" was his. Greg Quinn, with another powerful performance that comprised strong marking, bullocking work at the stoppages and a goal, took home the "National Hotel Award". Matt Moon was virtually impassable at halfback, and he too marked strongly, delivered with precision and was a spring-board for the goal-surge after the first quarter. He would have savoured the "Pony Award" at game's end. Brad Driscoll, Mitch Dingwall and Dylan Lovell also featured regularly in a game that saw all players do their bit. The result was the perfect way to celebrate the 100 th Club Game of "Dutchy" Holland who was again at his best at the stoppages. The PHFNC would like to acknowledge the excellent assistance provided by Bridgewater Trainer and 1 st Aid provider Ryan Evans for his efforts in assisting one of our injured players early in the match. Your assistance and goodwill were greatly appreciated.

After an extended period of rebound footy between the "arcs" the Bulldogs Senior squad were able to break free and establish a free-flowing game that saw them finish

with 19 goals from 28 scoring shots. Quarters of 5, 4, 5 and 5 goals were the result of precision run and carry and with ten individual goal scorers it was an excellent spreading of the workload. Damon Hemphill was again excellent with his ability to break clear from stoppages and deliver with accuracy, and deservedly won the "Victoria Hotel Award".

Skipper Steven Gunther covered plenty of the ground, won and used the ball effectively and collected the "Healthy Mates Award". The "National Hotel Award" went to Bailey George. He used his speed and ability to continually read the ball flight to advantage, and players further afield all benefitted. Brodie Carroll, Jack Timmins, Tom Brennan, Gavin James, Zac Alford (5 goals) and Dylan Collis were others who were in the thick of it as well. The unity and cohesive work of the backline, lead by "B+F" winner Tom McGregor, Dylan Morison, Jack Timmins and Zac Dingwall, was on display over 4 terms and to keep the opposition goalless in two quarters was an excellent reward for their efforts.

The Bulldogs' Under 18's had Mitchell Park as the venue for the cut-throat Elimination final, and in very blustery conditions and in front of a vocal home crowd they jumped out of the blocks early, and making good use of the conditions, posted 3 goals to none in the opening term. From "go to whoa" Xavier Emmerson was able to continually ensure the ball found its way in the fifty-meter arc. He finished with plenty of quality possessions, a goal and the "Victoria Hotel Pizza Award". The second stanza was dominated by Inglewood and this is effectively where the game was decided. Five goals to a blank sheet saw them in the driver's seat at the main change. The ball spent plenty of time in the Blues forward arc and our defenders had little respite. As the season evolved so too did Blake Gibson's ability to read the play, then intercept and propel from half-back. This quarter, and the remainder of the match saw him work overtime to keep the 'Dogs in the match. Blake was a fitting winner of the Pyramid Hill Butchers Award". Harry Goodes, in another game of explosive bursts and coverage of the ground, kicked 3 goals and took home the "Good Sports Award". Others to stand up included Jacob Clough-Fidler, Connor McCoy and Kobe Manton. Although they led narrowly at the final change it was to no avail; both teams kicked 5-4-34 in the second half and a 12-point win was the reward for the Blues.

Over the season "Brydo" and Luke have worked tirelessly with the squad, and their investment in the Pyramid Hill Community has been well recognised. All at our Club extend huge "thank yous".

Thanks to all Club players, members and supporters who assisted at last Sunday's "Elimination Final" and made the day a huge success.

As always, if we all arrive home safely everyone wins
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Media Release

22 August 2024

Diversions Cost Review reference group announced

Goulburn-Murray Water (GMW) has announced the members of the customer reference group for its upcoming Diversions Cost Review.

The review will investigate the fees relating to GMW's diversions service and assess the underlying data that determines the service's costs.

The customer reference group will support the review by providing feedback on the review's direction and deliverables.

GMW Diversions Groundwater and Streams manager Peter Clydesdale said it had been a competitive application process.

"We greatly appreciate everyone who took the time to apply," he said.

"We received a lot of expressions of interest from people across our diversions region.

"The large pool of applicants has helped us choose a reference group that is reflective of the broad range of diversions customers we service."

The follow diversions customers have been selected for the community reference group:

- Nicholas Legge
- Geoff Voigt
- Cameron Reid
- Graeme Watson
- Christopher Ramsay
- Heather Thompson
- Peter Serpell
- Jason Reid
- Chloe Giltrap
- Adrian Tuddenham
- Richard Carter

These members represent diversions customers from regulated, unregulated and groundwater services.

The reference group will have its first meeting on Wednesday, 28 August at Benalla.

"We're looking forward to meeting with the customer reference group and beginning the conversation on how we can best ensure our diversions fees align with the services we are providing," Mr Clydesdale said.

More information on the Diversions Cost Review is available on GMW's YourSay website:
<https://yoursay.gmwater.com.au/diversions-cost-review>

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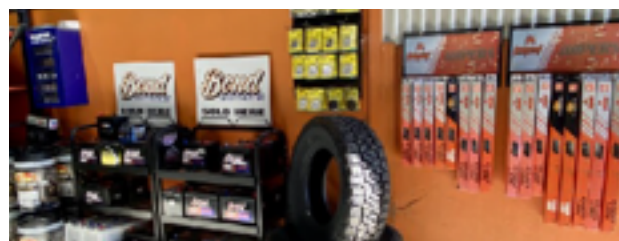
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HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST WEEK

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Last Thursday, we joyfully celebrated the children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation: Phoebe Bojo, Kirk Ceballos, Thomas and Trisha De Guzman.

This sacred moment marks their deeper journey toward God's grace and forgiveness.



Book Week: Reading is Magic

Learners, teachers and staff recently celebrated Book Week with the theme, "Reading is Magic." They came together with the Pyramid Hill Preschool and Pyramid Hill College, dressed in their beautiful and colourful costumes.

In line with this, congratulations to Jace Pacala for winning Best Information Text 'The Original Olympics' in Years 5/6 and Catriona Sabater for Best Information in Years F/1. Your creativity made the week truly amazing.



Shout-out to Matilda for reaching 75 nights of reading, and kudos to Jace and Phoebe for hitting a hundred nights of reading.



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Thursday 22 August 2024

For immediate release

Call for candidates for Loddon Shire Council election

Candidates ready to stand in the upcoming Loddon Shire Council postal election are urged to use the Victorian Electoral Commission's (VEC's) newly refreshed Candidate Helper to get their applications ready for submission when nominations open on Monday 9 September.

Electoral Commissioner Sven Bluemmel reminded candidates that there are several important steps they must complete before nominating.

'If you want to represent your local community, make sure to confirm your eligibility and complete the mandatory online candidate training through Local Government Victoria before lodging your nomination. This rule applies to all candidates, including those who are currently or have previously been a councillor,' Mr Bluemmel said.

The VEC's online Candidate Helper at vec.vic.gov.au/council-candidate allows candidates to pre-fill their nomination forms before submitting them at their nomination appointment.

Candidates can also watch a series of videos on key topics such as the nomination process, including the rules and procedures that apply. More information is available online at vec.vic.gov.au. The *Candidate Handbook* is also available on the VEC website.

Prospective candidates are also encouraged to attend the candidate information sessions being held in each electorate before the opening of nominations.

Prospective candidates must make an appointment to submit their nomination forms and pay the \$250 fee in person during business hours. They must provide evidence that they have completed the online candidate training, as this is required by law and will be shown on each candidate's nomination form.

Candidates must make an appointment to submit their nomination form in person at the election office by calling the Candidate Helpline 03 8620 1316 between Tuesday 20 August and Monday 9 September. From Monday 9 September candidates can call 131 832 and they will be directed through to the relevant election office.

Nominations close at 12 noon on **Tuesday 17 September**. Late nominations will not be accepted.

More information on nominating is available at vec.vic.gov.au

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Just a Farmer, Movie Screening Kerang

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The movie will be screened at the Kerang Memorial Hall, to follow will be a Q & A session providing opportunity to explore the themes within the storyline. The panel will include Leila McDougall, writer, actor, producer and executive producer of Just a Farmer, and actor Damian Walshe-Howling.

DATE

Sunday 8 September 2024 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (UTC+10)

LOCATION

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