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Chislett's on FIRE!



It was a HOT weekend for the Chislett family with a shed catching alight on their farm, which brought fire trucks and teams from Loddon Vale CFA, Pyramid Hill CFA (Two trucks), Boort CFA, Yarrawalla CFA and Yando CFA. The quick attendance of fire crews headed off what could have been an enormous catastrophe for the local family.

Then son Judd took home the title in the Northern Regional Series held at Cobram last weekend. Starting the comp 15 points down, he realised he had to win every ride of the meet to come out on top. This weekend caps off a fantastic year for Judd as he dominated the four rounds Senior Titles throughout the year, and this final series in Cobram to claim a double victory in the Seniors Titles for motocross.



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WHAT'S ON

Seahorse Saddle Making

Sunday | Mount Hope

STRIDE Mental Health Support

Wednesday 23 Oct | 2 - 4pm
Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

BINGO at the PUB

As part of the Loddon Shire Seniors Festival
Friday 18 October | 2pm - 4pm
Victoria Hotel [contact Neighbourhood House for more info 54557129]

Magic Lantern Show

Wednesday 23rd October | 10am | RSL Hall McKay Street. Followed by a tour of the Museum and archives. More details please contact the Secretary 0409 557 888

Pyramid Hill Progress Association AGM

Wednesday 20 November | 7pm
* Followed by a regular meeting | Victoria Hotel

Golf Club Dates

Presentation Night | Friday 18 October, 6pm | Victoria Hotel
Annual General Meeting | Wednesday 13 November, 7.30pm | Golf Club

AgVet Chemical Users Course

Monday 28 - Tuesday 29 October
Victoria Hotel | Pyramid Hill
More information Karl Liffman 0428 507 610

Pyramid Hill FOODSHARE 2024 dates

Monday 21 October | 18 November | 2nd December
From 4.30pm at Pyramid Hill Catholic Church while supplies last.

Justice of Peace

12.30- 2pm Tuesday 29th Oct | 12th & 25th Nov | 10th Dec | Neighbourhood House

PH Football Netball Club AGM

Sunday 3 November | 2pm | Mitchell Park

NDCH Nurse Practitioner visits Pyramid Hill

Thursday 5 December
NDCH Clinic, call 54521366 for an appointment

Trash2Cash Town Wide Garage Sale

Pyramid Hill [and surrounds as part of the National Garage Sale Trail]
Saturday 9th November
Register at Neighbourhood House \$10

Christmas in Pyramid Hill

SAVE THE DATE Saturday 14 December
Street Party, music, food, Christmas Lights Competition and more!

Free Ride - Live Music at Victoria Hotel

Saturday 2nd November

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAYS

Junior Darts | 5pm| Golf Club
Call Joe for info 0428990487

TUESDAYS

Morning Coffee | 10:15 AM | Neighbourhood House
Goldfields Library visit | 11:30 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 |

Farewell

It is with deep sadness that St Patrick's Parish will farewell Parish Priest,
Fr Dean Bongat.

Fr Dean has a strong sense of social justice and outreach to others and will return to the Philippines at the end of this month to continue his passion and ministry.

On Saturday 19th October at the 6:30pm Mass at St Patrick's Catholic Church we will farewell Fr Dean followed by a meal together.

Please bring a plate to share.
All are welcome.

PUBLIC NOTICES



ANGLICAN CHURCH—Durham Ox Rd Pyramid Hill

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Tyndale Church at 10.00am

2nd Sunday 9.00am HC at St Thomas' Anglican Church
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4th Sunday 11.00am HC at St Thomas' Anglican Church
Bring & Share lunch to follow

Enquiries: Rev'd Sue Allen 0417 365 386
Bill Boyd 0448 219 457

CHURCH OF CHRIST—Kelly St Pyramid Hill

Every Sunday at 11.00am

Enquiries: June Smith 0438 062 646

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH—Victoria St Pyramid Hill

Saturday Mass 6.30pm each week

Enquiries: Fr Dean 0401 337 433

TYNDALE UNITING CHURCH—Victoria St Pyramid Hill

1st Sunday of each month 10.00am at Tyndale Church
2nd Sunday 9.00am join with Anglicans at St Thomas' Church
3rd Sunday 10.00am at Tyndale Church
4th Sunday 11.00am join with Anglicans at St Thomas' Church
Bring & Share lunch to follow

Enquiries: Rev'd Mark Boyce 0402 906 780

PYRAMID HILL KIDS ROCK—for all school-aged children

Every second Tuesday during term 3:30-5:00 pm at the
Uniting Church - Enquiries: Robyn 0427 561 973

Pyramid Hill Senior Citizens

Pyramid Hill Senior Citizens have not been active in recent times. A new committee has been elected and will welcome anyone interested in becoming a member

The Club has activities planned from 1pm on the second Friday of each month in the supper room at the Memorial Hall.

On the fourth Friday of each month, a light meal will be available costing \$10 in the supper room at the Memorial Hall.

Coming up on the 18th is BINGO at Victoria Hotel. This is run as part of the Seniors Festival and funded by Loddon Shire. Afternoon Tea will be served.

Contact: Terry Wood tp.wood@bigpond.com or **0429843479**

Loddon Shire Nominations for Citizens and Community Groups of 2024

Loddon Shire are seeking nominations for Young Citizen, Ward Citizen, Community Group / Organisation nominations for Australia Day 2025.

Entries close at 4pm on Friday 25 October. <https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Ceremonies/Australia-Day>

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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
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Saturday & Sunday Only

07:40 AM	10:00 AM	11:09 AM
06:43 PM	08:57 PM	10:05 PM

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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

01:06 PM	12:26 PM	02:25 PM
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Friday Only

05:30 PM	07:01 PM	09:09 PM
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Saturday Only

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This week's happenings at Pyramid Hill College



Loddon Mallee Region Athletics Carnival



Congratulations to Siri Harrison, Matthew Caspani and Olivia Scott who represented the College at the Loddon Mallee Region Athletics Carnival in Bendigo. Siri competed in the 13 Girls Shot Put and finished in third place, Matthew competed in the 14 Boys 1500m and finished in sixth place and Olivia competed in the 9/10 Girls Triple Jump and competed well. Competing at the regional level is an outstanding achievement, and the College is very proud of Siri, Matthew and Olivia.



2025 PREP 2024 TRANSITION DATES

Activity	Pyramid Hill College	What to bring
Preschool visit to school	Wednesday 16th October 11:30am-12:30pm	
Transition Day 1	Monday 11th November 9:00am-10:30am	Water Bottle The school will supply a hat and healthy snack
Transition Day 2	Monday 18th November 9:00am-10:30am	Water Bottle The school will supply a hat and healthy snack
Transition Day 3	Monday 25th November 9:00am-10:30am	Water Bottle The school will supply a hat and healthy snack
Moving Up Day	Tuesday 10th December 9:00am-3:20pm	Healthy snack, morning play lunch, lunch & water bottle.

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Welcome back to the Bowls!

Before starting on a round of reports for the 2024-25 season, The Bowling Fraternity would like to congratulate the PHFNC on their magnificent past season. Having so many teams into the round of finals was an amazing achievement in itself, but getting three teams into the Grand Final was superb. Getting one win was admirable.

Congratulations to the PHFNC. If your members don't bother to read the Bowls Notes, I hope that they at least read this much to know that our Club supports what your Club does and we are proud of you.

What a glorious day for the start of the Pennant Season on Wednesday – absolutely sublime, particularly after the coolness of the morning settled; virtually no wind and meticulous greens to play on and fine company to keep. That was the bright side of the day. If the accomplishments of the bowling were anything to gauge upon, we may have to continue to draw upon these small positives.

Wednesday Pennant:

Both Divisions got a taste of bowling against much stronger opposition – which was a bit of a bitter pill to swallow, for the first round.

Division 1 were pitted against Cohuna 1 and played at Cohuna. One might like to think that the home-ground advantage came into play, but alas and alack, it was much more than; that we were totally outclassed. The first fifteen ends looked very promising with all three rinks showing that they were well in the mix and amazingly matching our opponents. Then the rot set in and it was a cankering decomposing rot at that. Only the tem with Roma (Skip), Suzanne, Kate and Carmen remained competitive, so full credit to them. They came, oh so close to pulling off a win, as they went down by just one shot (17-18). Can you believe that??!! One lousy shot – or two if you wanted to avoid a draw and claim the cookies. No cookies, but they do claim the first chocolate Freddo Frog Award for the season. Well done and richly deserved!

Ray P. (Skip), Marie N., Joe and Bill were reminded time after time, to "take grass" but sometimes the mind and the arm do not work in sync.

They were looking good for the first few ends and actually won, the first two ends, but their opponents proved far too strong and competent and they were left floundering like a cod on the river bank with a score of 6 to 34. There were no pots or shots of luck falling their way – anything that was snicked ended as a positive for their opponents. The third rink suffered a similar fate going down 8-33. Marie S. (Skip), Jan, Heather and Rose struggled on the short ends consistently and strategically rolled by their Cohuna opposites. The fast greens and the bit of tail-wind that was meant that a delicate touch was required. The overall score 85 to Cohuna, 31 to Pyramid doesn't look all that grand, but on the upside, that's 31 shots Cohuna didn't get. As, previously stated, we will look for small positives.

Division 2: hosted Kerang Golf and before the match even kicked off they were greeted with the usual comments about



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Bowls cont..

the wind at Pyramid Hill. “Duh”! That was a gentle breeze, come again on a day when the wind is really blowing! Kerang Golf’s bowling was exemplary, hogging and hugging the kitty end after end, barely giving us a chance of penetrating their defence. Terry S., with her team of Maurie, Marie M. (SUB – yes there we go already, needing to use a substitute player or two), and new to our Club bowler, Brendan, battled on gallantly and managed to end on a slightly better than 50% of their opponent’s score - 17-32. They were also impaired by one of our players becoming ill and having to retire so they had to play out the match one man down. A great effort under the circumstances. Lorraine, and her team of Ray B., Gary (Sub), and Ian copped a whacking , (losing a 6 on the first end) and were unable to register on the scoreboard until the Kerang Golf had accumulated 13 shots. They rejoiced whenever they could keep their opponent’s scores to 3 or less shots per end (a small positive). Every time they were holding shot, the silent assassins would reign supreme again to accumulate a 3-32 flogging. They were totally out classed. (Sub note - Div 2 can take heart – this Kerang Golf team has now been relegated to Div 1 for the rest of the season).

Next week’s matches see Division 1 host Barham 1, and Division 2 travel to Kerang. Good luck and better bowling.

Saturday Pennant:

The superb conditions for bowling continued into the weekend for the start of Saturday Pennant.

Division 2 hosted the Cohuna 2 team and players were in high spirits and good humour as the competition got underway. It has already become apparent that we need to work on our staying power. Both the teams skipped by Jan (Terry D., Ian and Rose) and Ray (Jean, Kate and Bill) matched their opponents for the first 11 or so ends before letting their matches slip away. Jan’s rink finished 11-27 in arrears despite winning only one end less than the Cohuna unit – the difference was in the multiple scores on an end. Giving away 6 shot on one end always makes the catch up tough. Ray’s lot finished 13-26 down. Conversely, Lionel’s team (Nathan, Marie N. and David) started slowly letting their opponents build a lead 1-9 before hitting their straps and then allowing their opponents to win only our ends after the lunch break. Their win 23-14 was only a 9 shot advantage but sufficient to qualify them for the first Freddo Frog Saturday Award. It was a great delight for newplayer, Nathan, to be in the winning rink and to be rewarded so “generously”. He certainly saw it as an incentive to strive for a frog collection – I think. The overall loss

by 20 shots was not ideal, but the friendliness and good company, along with beautiful playing conditions, eased some of the pain, however, not only did Cohuna scoot home with the majority of the points, they also gathered up the whole six raffle prizes on offer. A big thank you to [+people who donated the prizes. The Cohuna folk were delirious with pride. The next challenge will be against Cohuna Golf 3 on their home ground.

Division 3 headed to Cohuna complete with two new Club members fronting up for their first Pennant experience. Jasmine and Amy both accredited themselves very well, and reportedly enjoyed themselves. Jasmine slotted into Joe’s team, with George and Allan. They got off to a ripping start to amass just after halfway with a 18-2 lead. Then things went belly up with Cohuna storming home winning 6 of the last 7 ends, including two scores of 5, and almost snatching victory. However, our crew hung on grimly to finish just one shot up, 19-18. A win is a win. Well done! Tony B. and his team comprising Carmen, Robyn and Tony R. had a great battle on their hands from the onset, and so it remained for the entire game. They managed a creditable 17-32, not devastating, loss. Lorraine and her team of Maurie, Amy and Terry S were up against another team of assassins disguised as four- lovely-ladies. They scored a paltry 10-32. Overall, it was a well-oiled opposition team.

Next week’s matches: Division 2 travel to Cohuna Golf, while Division 3 host Gunny Golf.

Congratulations to Marie S. who teamed with our Wednesday co-player, Roma, to win the Northern District Playing Area State Pairs for ladies. They completed a marathon day playing three matches one after the other to achieve this victory. That’s stamina!!! And skill!!

Please take note:

**The Bowling Club members and partners are invited to join in a social night and dinner at the

Victoria Hotel each third Thursday of the month, gathering at 6:30pm.

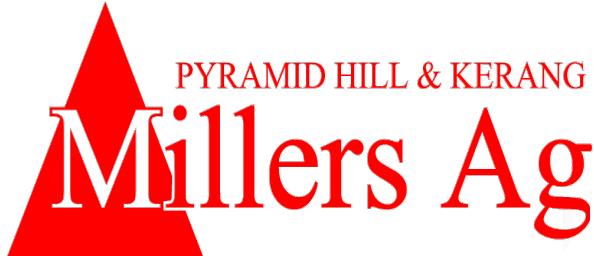
**Players, please make sure that you have nominated to take responsibility for one small (or not so

small) task to keep our Club and facilities maintained and looking attractive and safe.

A bit of humour to keep our spirits up:

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Notes from Loddon Shire

10 October 2024

Ballot packs are being sent out this week.

Ballot packs for the October local council elections are being mailed out by the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) this week.

Due to Councillors being elected unopposed in Boort, Terrick and Wedderburn wards, only residents in Inglewood and Tarnagulla wards are required to vote.

If you haven't received your ballot pack by Tuesday 15 October, you can apply online for a replacement or call the VEC directly on 131 832. Loddon Shire Council is still in election period until 6pm Saturday 26 October 2024. During this time, Council must adhere to the requirements of the Local Government Act 2020 and Council's Election Period Policy, ensuring all communications remain fair and neutral.

Loddon Valley Tourism rolls out Welcome Shop program

Seven venues and businesses across Loddon Shire are set to become visitor information outlets following the roll out of Loddon Valley Tourism's Welcome Shop program.

The program will see Welcome Shops become part of a visitor servicing network to support the tourist experience, and complement the accredited Visitor Information Centre in Wedderburn.

Welcome Shops are set to be rolled out at Bridgewater on Loddon Post Office, Inglewood Eucalyptus Distillery Museum, Tarnagulla Post Office, Mitiamo General Store, Pyramid Hill Supermarket, Newbridge General Store and the Boort Newsagency.

Loddon Shire Council CEO Lincoln Fitzgerald said the program would be a great resource for visitors to the Loddon Valley.

"The Welcome Shops will be a great source of knowledge for visitors, and even for locals wanting to learn more about the tourism offerings across the region," Mr Fitzgerald said.

"The Welcome Shops will also assist in encouraging visitors to explore more of the Loddon Valley, meaning greater visitation across the Shire and visitors likely to stay here for longer periods."

The Welcome Shops, which will be easily identified by A-Frame signage, will feature a distinct brochure stand, and will provide specific travel information about the Loddon Valley region.

Businesses and venues interested in finding out more about the Welcome Shop program can get in touch with the Wedderburn Visitor Information Centre on 5494 1257.

Loddon Valley Arts Trail

That's a wrap for the 2024 Loddon Valley Arts Trail and what a fabulous event made possible with so many talented Loddon artists, venues, workshop participants and of course visitors to thank for the success. We hope you enjoyed spending time wandering the arts trail and exploring the creativity of Loddon Valley region.

To watch the highlights reel from over the weekend, head to <https://vimeo.com/1016914696/acb33b60a1?share=copy>

Cork and Fork to bring the best of Loddon Valley's food, wine, music and more!

Tickets are now on sale for the November event, which will bring together the very best of Loddon Valley's food, wine and music and more.

Set against the picturesque backdrop of the Loddon River at Newbridge Recreation Reserve, this unique experience is the chance to savour the local flavours of the Loddon region. Cork and Fork Loddon Valley will feature over 30 vendors offering delicious, local fare from food trucks to artisan producers, and the chance to sample quality wine and beer from some of the region's top wineries and breweries.

There is also the opportunity to enjoy a live demo from a local expert on home brewing, as well as presentations and classes offering insights into wine, food pairing and more.

The local Goldfields Music Club will provide a rotating soundtrack of live tunes on the day.

Loddon Shire CEO Lincoln Fitzgerald said Council has supported Southern Loddon Tourism to bring the event to the region.

"On behalf of Council, I'd like to thank Southern Loddon Tourism for helping bring this unique opportunity to the region, which will showcase the amazing variety of local producers in the Loddon Valley," he said.

Southern Loddon Tourism President Norma Sokolowski encouraged people to book their tickets now to avoid missing what would be an unforgettable regional experience.

"Bring a camping chair or picnic blanket, soak in the atmosphere, and enjoy a delicious and relaxing day out that has something for everyone."

Tickets are just \$25 for general entry, with additional options including a tasting glass, or a premium experience. To secure your ticket, head to <https://southernloddontourism.com.au/cork-and-fork>





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Northern District Community Health

Services located in Boort, Cohuna, Kerang, Pyramid Hill, Koondrook and Quambatook

- **Medical Clinic**
- **Allied Health**
- **Community Nursing**
- **Community Support**
- **Registered NDIS provider**
- **Health Promotion**

Kerang Medical Clinic
 34 Fitzroy St Kerang
 Mon to Fri
 8.45am to 5.30pm
 Phone: 03 5452 1366

Community Nursing

- Help manage your health and wellbeing at home
- Palliative care
- AgriSafe™ Clinics
- Chronic disease management

Pyramid Hill
 12 Victoria St, Pyramid Hill
 Mon to Fri
 9.00am to 10.00am
 (other times by appointment)
 Phone: 03 5455 7065

- Podiatry and Foot care
- Dietician
- Counselling
- Occupational Therapy
- Diabetes Education
- Speech Pathology
- Paediatric Physiotherapy
- Homelessness service



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