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Community Spirit on Full Display at Pyramid Hill Golf Trail parkrun

The Pyramid Hill Golf Trail parkrun continues to capture the spirit of the town, with another brilliant morning for Event #4.

Jesse Collins was the first finisher of the day, completing the challenging three-lap course in an impressive 23 minutes and 4 seconds.

However, it was local pride that truly stole the show, with a heartwarming moment involving Paul Carroll and his father John Carroll.

A well-respected stalwart of the Pyramid Hill community, John proudly cheered his son on from his car, honking his horn with joy as Paul completed each lap as well as encouraging all the participants. The heartfelt display brought smiles across the course and perfectly captured the community spirit for which Pyramid Hill is known.

Participants of all ages and paces once again enjoyed the beautiful country surroundings, with organisers thanking the volunteers whose efforts make the event possible each week.

The Pyramid Hill Golf Trail parkrun is held every Saturday at 8AM at the Pyramid Hill Golf Club, and new participants, volunteers and spectators are always welcome.

Pictured: John Carroll and son Paul



Federal Election this Saturday 3rd May

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Pyramid Hill College, 97 - 101 Kelly Street.

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8am - 6pm

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Inside: Loddon Shire open the Pyramid Hill Community Centre with NDCH, Loddon Shire Budget released, Sport News, Mothers Day events, Church Of Christ and Memorial Hall turn 100, College News.

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REMINDER: NO PRESS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

WHAT'S ON

Political Pondering
Sunday | Mount Hope

Biggest Morning Tea - Pyramid Hill
SAVE THE DATE
23 May | 10.30am

Flu Vaccine Clinic - Pyramid Hill
22 May | 2pm - 3pm Call NDCH Medical Clinic to book 54521366

Pyramid Hill Golf Trail Park Run
Saturdays | 7.45am for an 8am start at the Hill

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAYS

Carer's Walking Group | walk from Neighbourhood House to the Hill | 9am

TUESDAYS

Staying Strong Exercises | Kelly Park
Exercise Equipment | 9.30am - 10.30am
\$5 per class

Morning Coffee | 10:15 AM |
Neighbourhood House

Goldfields Library visit | 11:30 AM |
Neighbourhood House

WEDNESDAYS

Moderate Movers exercise group | 9 AM | Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Supper Room | BYO exercise mat or towel

Social Bowls | 7:00 PM | 98 Victoria St
Book Club | 4:30 PM | last Wednesday of each month. ONE VACANCY in this group! This month's book is CLOUD ATLAS by David Mitchell

THURSDAYS

Art Group | 10.30 AM Neighbourhood House

FRIDAYS

Rhyme Time | 9.30am | Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House. [starting 18 April]

Pyramid Hill Playgroup | 10:00 AM | Preschool, 67 Kelly St [Storytime and activities once a month with Goldfields Libraries see Pyramid Hill Playgroup on Facebook for more details].

Card Sharks, Games and Afternoon Tea | 2:00 PM - 4pm | Neighbourhood House



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Goldfields Library visits once a month for Story Time and activities at 10:15am. Whether you're a returning member or new to the group, we'd love to see you there!

For more information, feel free to contact Claire Pickles. Also be sure to follow Pyramid Hill Playgroup on Facebook.



PUBLIC NOTICES



Mark Boyce Justice of Peace
Visits to Neighbourhood House
Tuesdays 12.30pm - 2pm

13th & 27th May, 10th & 24th June

ANGLICAN CHURCH—Durham Ox Rd Pyramid Hill

1st Sunday of each month join with the UCA at
 Tyndale Church at 10.00am

2nd Sunday 9.00am HC at St Thomas' Anglican Church

3rd Sunday 10.00am join with the UCA at Tyndale Church

4th Sunday 11.00am HC at St Thomas' Anglican Church

Bring & Share lunch to follow

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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

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Monday – Friday

Dep Melb	Dep Bendigo	Arrive Pyramid
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Saturday & Sunday Only

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TRAIN/COACH PYRAMID TO MELBOURNE

Monday – Friday

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08:05 AM	09:18 AM	11:28 AM
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Tuesday and Thursday

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Friday Only

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Saturday Only

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Sunday Only

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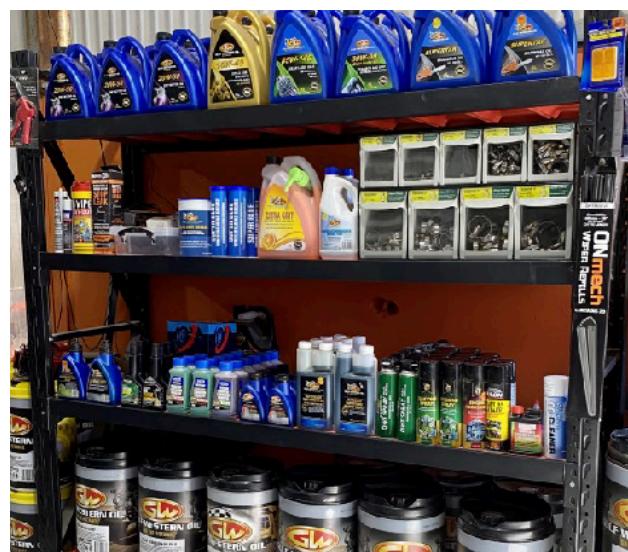
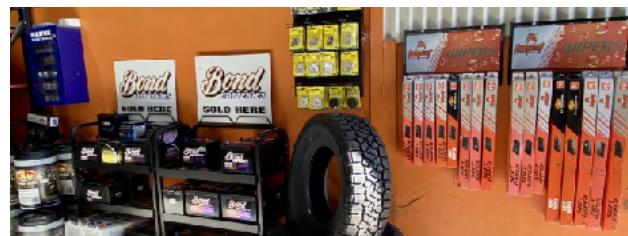


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We would like to thank everyone who joined us or sent beautiful memories and best wishes on the occasion of 100 years of the Pyramid Hill Church of Christ.

We estimate we had 130 people in attendance. We had a wonderful service with joyful singing and a heartfelt message of hope for the future.

A special thank you to The Coffee Bank for the delicious food, Alison Farrar for the amazing 100 century cake and to our local biscuit fairy

who made a beautifully decorated biscuit for everyone in attendance.

Thank you. From all at the Pyramid Hill Church of Christ

Mr Alan Streader, 99 from Boort cut the centenary cake. His



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Mr Streader is pictured above with Glen Broad.



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Happy 100th Birthday to Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall

What a milestone! Our beloved Memorial Hall turned 100 last week.

Plans began for the hall in 1920 - when locals began their fundraising journey to create this significant building for our town. It took four years to raise the funds, with work beginning in 1924. The opening events in April 1925 went for 3 days!

Do you remember..?

Mrs Fishley's tap dancing classes, or going to the movie of the Queen's coronation, the Young Farmer Dances and the theatre and cabaret shows ?

What was the show directed by Cheryl McKinnon?

What are your memories of our Memorial Hall?



The Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall under construction a century ago (above), pictured in the 1930s (below left) and packed with a large crowd at the 1952 show night ball. PHOTOS COURTESY PYRAMID HILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Netball

Pyramid Hill V's Mitiamo at Pyramid Hill 26th April 2025

ANZAC Round- Respect was evident as we joined with Mitiamo FNC for a minute's silence and reading of the Ode, in a round for reflection. Special thanks to Adam Caspani who officiated. Lest We Forget.

Congratulations to Mia Farrar our recipient this week for the "Good Sports Award" for taking on all feedback and consistently turning up for training. Well Done, Mia. We were very lucky to have Laura Bennie back to the Club to spend the day mentoring our junior and developing umpires. We're so grateful for the support and commitment to growing our umpiring community.

Minis- Our first home game for the season and the girls did such a fantastic job. We welcomed some warmer weather with no rain which favoured the girls to play to the best of their ability. Our shooters were fantastic putting into play what they had learnt at training. You played so well as a team. Well Done, Girls. Doggy Dollars Award- PHFNC Canteen Award- Jaida Dehne. Pyramid Hill Bakery Café' Award- Athena Wiltshire. Pyramid Hill Bakery Café' Award- Sophie Pickles.

13 & Under- A great contest against Mitiamo. Mitiamo came out strong but we fought back with strong passes down the court and perfect timing intercepts. Well done to the 3 Minis players, Tia, Olivia, and Jaida, who stepped up to the challenge and made a great impact in the game. Well done girls. Our first win for the season. Best on Award- Pyramid Hill Store Award- Elsie Poole. Coffee Bank Pyramid Hill Award- Lilly Broad. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 9 Mitiamo 8.

15 & Under- We all played really well, we all worked together and the ball just flowed down the court. When ever the other team had the ball, we turned it over. Well done, on a great win Girls. A big Thank you to Sophie Twigg for all your help on game day, and supporting the team. Best on Award- Graeme Hayes Real Estate Award- Ruby Mitchell. Best on Award- Michell Wool Award- Rian Pantig. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 41 Mitiamo 19.

17 & Under- It was a great day for Netball when Pyramid Hill faced off against Mitiamo. The weather was perfect and spirits were high heading into the match. The game started off tough, with Mitiamo coming out strong and taking an early lead. Strong defence, quick passing, and great teamwork helped Pyramid Hill build momentum. In the second half, the team really lifted, showing great determination and energy. Every player stepped up, and the goals started flowing. Pyramid Hill finished the game strong and came away with a fantastic win. Everyone was thrilled with the result and proud of the way they fought back. It was a great team effort and a really rewarding day for the Club. Best on Award- Graeme Hayes Real Estate Award- Ellesha Fergusson. Best on Award- Pyramid Hill News and Post Award- Eloise Walters. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 40 Mitiamo 34.

B Reserve- Humid conditions for the girls up at the Hill. We quickly got ahead from Miti with some smooth play across the court. Chelsea was on fire feeding into Jess and Claire, who both manouvered their bodies well to receive the passes. BJ ran very well in the Centre, reading the play well. Mik mastered covering the shooter which created some excellent pressure. Well Done to Kelly and Ez who worked their hardest keeping the ball out of the ring. And Well Done to Alina for stepping up, Thank you! Amazing work Doggies, lets do it again this week. Best on Award- Victoria Hotel Pyramid Hill Award- Kelly Gould. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 60 Mitiamo 25.

B Grade- The Pyramid Hill B Grade girls have finally found their groove, delivering a strong performance against Mitiamo. Consistent plays down the court, something the team has been focusing on, really came together. Every player gave it their best, contributing to a solid and united team effort. Credit to Mitiamo, who never dropped their heads and kept the game competitive right to the final whistle. Best on Award- National Hotel Award- Gemma Flanagan. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 43 Mitiamo 18.

A Reserve- The Team came out strong this week, taking an 11- goal win over Mitiamo in a solid team performance. From the first whistle, Pyramid set the pace with quick ball movement and sharp shooting. Mitiamo fought hard to stay in touch, but Pyramid's defensive pressure and consistency across the court proved too much. A great all-round effort sees Pyramid notch their first win on the board ."Good Sports Award"- Mia Farrar. Best on Award- National Hotel Award- Kym Paterson. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 45 Mitiamo 34.

A Grade-Taking on last year's Premiers was always going to be a challenge. Miti got the better start and as they always do, played consistently and were able to make the most of their opportunities. Mitiamo held a handy 8 goal lead by half time. The girls tried to lift their pressure but Miti continued to extend their lead to win by 10. Best on Award- Victoria Hotel Pyramid Hill Award- Abbey Dingwall. Final Score- Pyramid Hill 55 Mitiamo 65.



FOOTBALL

Round 3; Pyramid Hill versus Mitiamo



While Seniors and Reserves played at home the U18s travelled south to play against what was a very strong Maiden Gully team. Despite the lop-sided scoreboard there were many excellent passages of play by the boys, and they were able to apply pressure and restrict their opposition at times.

Thanks to Oscar and Tynan for helping us out and to Maiden Gully for lending us two players for the day. The pups continue to improve and gain valuable experiences from their games. Thanks to the parents, families, and supporters who travelled to Maiden Gully to cheer the team on. Award winners for the day included Harry Goodes (Carroll Family), Blake Gibson (Victoria Hotel Pizza), Ewan Ray (Good Sports), and James Hercott (Mr Morison Award). Tynan Caine and Jacobi Mitchell were others to come under notice.

The positive take away from the day is that once Xavier, Blake, Harry and co-coach Mitch got to Mitchell Park they were all able to make valuable contributions in the Senior team's win.

It was a re-vamped Reserves line up that was able to bounce back from the heavy loss in Round 2. After a sluggish opening term, the 'Dogs finally swung into top gear. Led by Jordan Simpson (Victoria Hotel) in the corridor and at the coalface, the scoreboard began to tick over.

Simmo was at his creative best as his 3 goals and the many he set up, set the scene for the triple figure score that eventuated. He had excellent support from Greg Quinn (Good Sports) who was the go-to at half forward and his 4 goals, together with another 3 goals from Nathan Moon in the goal square helped cap off what was a big second half. Pat Monahan (Pony Award) was elusive and creative and was another to post 3 goals.

Pat O'Brien (National Hotel) helped set up opportunities as he moved instinctively between the arcs, and Paris Walker who was in a see-ball..get ball frame of mind, capped off a top 4 quarters with 3 goals as well. In a cast of 1000's, others to stand out included coach Stephen Donat, Brad Colliver, Luan Marsh,

Rylan Delamare, Dylan D'Vard and Scott Mann. At the final siren it was great to see players from both teams join their respective Senior teams and the Umpires as a minute of silence was observed in honour of the ANZACS.

All at the PHFNC extend a speedy recovery to the Mitiamo player who was injured in an accidental collision during the match.

The Senior squad was geared up to give a response to what was an out of character performance in Round 2.

Despite some early inaccuracy they were up and about, and the desire and intent were obvious early. As the clash progressed so too did the control Bulldogs were able to assert.

A six-goal buffer had been put in place by the main change, and with 7 goal to 1 goal third term they headed for home with a 75 point lead. With 9 goal-kickers and an obvious return to the Bulldog run and carry, there were ample positives.

Kai Daniels (Victoria Hotel and 2 goals) was constructive and effective both at the stoppages and as a deep forward, whilst Archie Hildebrandt (National Hotel) was elusive and creative all over Mitchell Park and capped off a good day with 3 goals.

Through the corridor Ryan Semmel (2 goals) and Bailey George won plenty of the Sherrin and put disposals to good use. Skipper Steven Gunther and Lachlan Sidebottom also were able to put in top 4-quarter efforts.

Forward of the ball Ben Bisset (4 goals) and Mitch Cheeseman (2 goals) provided reliable avenues in the key forward positions. The Bench would have been pleased with many aspects of the performance and will be hoping for a repeat effort today agains the Bears. It was good to see a number of returning players in the crowd as part of what is now a yearly back-to gathering.

It was a happy throng that then moved to valued club sponsor the Victoria Hotel for celebratory drinks, a meal and the match-day awards presentations.

#bulldogs2025



Pyramid Hill College

Respect Learn Community

— HIGHLIGHTS LAST TERM

Harmony Day

At Pyramid Hill College we take great pride in our diverse culture and remain committed to fostering an inclusive environment for all. One meaningful way we celebrate this diversity is through the sharing and exploring of different food. An interesting way to learn about other cultures.



With this, the school hosted Harmony Day on the 2nd of April which brought the school community together through culture, connection and food. A celebration that indeed highlighted our multicultural community.



Kudos to our executive team, our Principal and Assistant Principal, who made sure that the day was engaging and meaningful for our students. A big thank you as well to the teamwork of our teachers, staff and students in making the day such a success.



Easter Fun and Giving Back

Students had great fun during the Easter Egg hunt and costume parade on the 4th of April. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised \$355.05 for the Good Friday Royal Children's Hospital Appeal. Thank you to our students and staff who volunteered their time on Good Friday by door knocking for this worthy cause. What a wonderful way to have fun and give back to those who are in need.



PYRAMID HILL COLLEGE VALUES

Respect:

We are respectful of self, others and the environment.
(We are thoughtful of our words and actions)

Learn:

We are learners who strive for excellence.
(We challenge ourselves to do our best.)

Community:

We are community minded and embrace diversity.
(We foster a sense of community and belonging for all.)

— O S H C Update

Please note that Out of School Before and After Hours Care is open from 7:30 am and closes at 6:00pm.

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\$3.27 million Pyramid Hill Community Centre by Loddon Shire Mayor Cr Dan Straub.

A small crowd turned out for the opening of our new facility, the Pyramid hill Community Centre on 17 April. The newly re-vamped Seniors Building will now incorporate the Northern District Community Health Service and provide meeting space for other local users.

This first stage of the project has been made possible thanks to funding from the Victorian Government's Regional Infrastructure Fund (\$2,475,000), Northern District Community Health (\$100,000) and Loddon Shire Council (\$700,000).

Further stages are yet to be funded, but it is hoped we can look forward to a new venue for the Neighbourhood House and Library as well as a community gym if future stages are funded.

Pictured: NDCH CEO Penny Wilkinson, Mayor Dan Straub and Loddon Shire CEO Lincoln Fitzgerald.



Loddon Shire draft 2025/26 Budget (including Fees and Charges) and the Revenue and Rating Plan 2025-2029 are now out for public comment.

Loddon Shire Council's draft 2025/26 Budget and draft Revenue and Rating Plan are now out for public comment until close of business Monday 26 May 2025.

The draft budget includes a rate increase of 3 per cent – in line with the Victorian Government's Fair Go Rates System. Council remains debt-free, with no loan repayments, and a continued strong cash positive position.

The draft budget allocates a capital expenditure program of \$8.61 million, which includes \$4.79

million towards roads, \$0.77 million for urban and road drainage and \$0.38 million for footpaths.

Additionally, the budget includes a \$634,000 allocation for works associated with the Building Asset Management Plan and full funding of Council's ongoing commitment to community planning of \$750,000.

To offset the increased cost of kerbside waste and recycling services, waste services charges will have a 6 per cent increase applied.

These adjustments continue to ensure compliance with any necessary legislation or regulations. The cost of a 140-litre bin will remain at \$425 and a 240-litre bin to \$578. The cost for a 240-litre kerbside recycling bin will increase to \$160.

The schedule of Fees and Charges is also out for public comment until close of business Monday 26 May 2025. It is proposed to increase fees and charges by 3 per cent, the same as the rate increase.

The Revenue and Rating Plan for 2025-2029 has also been drafted and is out for public comment. This document provides guidance for Council to determine what is the most appropriate and affordable revenue and rating approach for Council. The previous principles have been reviewed by Council and are seen as the most appropriate approach for this updated Plan.

Copies of the documents are available on Council's website at www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Documents-for-public-comment

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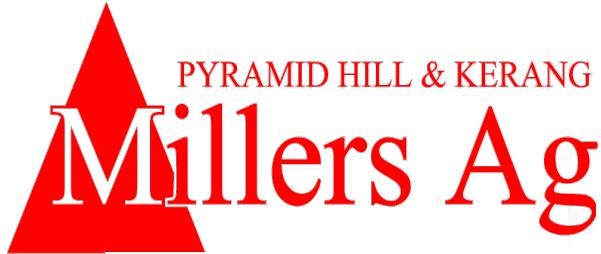
Copies are also available for inspection at Council's Wedderburn office during business hours or can be posted out on request by calling Council's Customer Service on (03) 5494 1200

Council will meet to consider any feedback on these key financial documents at the Council Forum on Tuesday 10 June 2025.

Council will then consider adoption of these documents at the scheduled Council Meeting on

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