

# PYRAMID PRESS

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## Spotted shopping for Christmas at the Pyramid Hill Store!

I just love this kangaroo mum out shopping in Pyramid Hill with her joey - have you seen her?



## Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House Christmas & New Year Trading Hours

Neighbourhood House will close at 3pm on Tuesday 23rd December and return Monday 19 January. First Press for 2026 will be 5 February. There will be no access to Goldfields Library or Services Australia. However - Cleo will still be available with some limits [depending on driver availability]. Lizzie will be in town and can be contacted

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### Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

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Hours: Monday to Thursday 10am - 4pm

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## WHAT'S ON

**Downhill Skiing..**  
Sunday | Mount Hope

**Cohuna Farmers and Makers Market.**  
December 21 | Garden Park Cohuna

**Flavours of Loddon - BOORT.**  
24 January 2026 | Food | Music | Wine

**Pyramid Hill Australia Day.**  
Monday 26 January from 4pm at the Lions Park East / Swimming Pool Precinct. BBQ, Awards, Games and Free Pool Entry - and more..

**Finders Keepers Op Shop** - furniture and tools  
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**Pyramid Hill Golf Trail Park Run**  
Saturdays | 7.45am for an 8am start at the Hill

**Moonlight Market Hargreaves Mall Bendigo**  
Saturday 13 December 3pm - 8pm

**Nathan Whippy Griggs Live Show**  
Tuesday 3rd February 6.30pm - 8.30pm |  
Inglewood Community Hall

**2026 Trotters Cup**  
Sunday 25 January | Wedderburn

**2026 Malibu Australian Masters Waterski Competition** Saturday 24 - Monday 26 January Bridgewater on Loddon

**NDCH - Nurse Practitioner Visit.**  
Book in to see Yvonne on these dates: |18 December Call NDCH Medical clinic 54521366  
**Pyramid Hill Christmas Carols**, Thursday 18 December 7.30pm at Memorial Hall.

**Pyramid Hill Art Show 13-19 February 2026**  
Entry Forms available from 14 November - 30 January. More details at Pyramid Hill Art Show FB contact Anne Grogan aegrogan@gmail.com

**Christmas Craft with Naarah!**  
16 December | Magnets and Christmas Cards | Goldfields Library activity at Neighbourhood House

**Rotary Club of Bendigo Christmas Carols, Rosalind Park**  
Sunday 21 December, 6.30pm - 10.30pm

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

### TUESDAYS

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

**Coffee and Catch Up** | 10:15 AM | All Welcome | Neighbourhood House

**Goldfields Library visit** | 11:30 AM | Neighbourhood House

**Bowls Practise** Each Tuesday at 4.30pm Pyramid Hill Bowling Club

### WEDNESDAYS

**Book Club** | 4:30 PM | FIRST Wednesday of each month. Resuming February

### THURSDAYS

**Art Group** | 10.30 AM | informal crafty arty gathering | Neighbourhood House

### FRIDAYS

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

**Senior Citizens** each Friday | Community Centre McKay Street. Cuppa, chat and games. On the 2nd and 4th Fridays join us for a community meal commencing at 12 noon. Other Fridays commence at 1pm. **For more information please contact Terry on 0429843479 or Lyn on 0428564006.**





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

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3rd Sunday 10.00am at Tyndale Church

4th Sunday 11.00am join with Anglicans at St Thomas' Church

Enquiries: Rev'd Mark Boyce 0402 906 780

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Adult	\$5	\$77
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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PYRAMID HILL CHRISTMAS LIGHT COMPETITION

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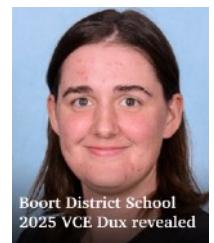


## CONGRATULATIONS

### JAZ TWIGG!!!

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## Pyramid Hill

### Swimming Pool Season is here!

#### Hours of Operation

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## NVQHA 50th Anniversary Medallion Show AT Pyramid Hill

We were nearly blown away! By the great response to our Northern Victorian QHA 50th Anniversary Medallion Show, and yes, it was very windy.

It was great to have some of the original foundation and life members of the club back and being able to chat with them about the past. Much of the written and photographic history of the club was lost in the 2011 floods so it was good to be able to refresh memories, or to even fill in large gaps that we did not know anything about. Past youth members, members, competitors, foundation members who started with the idea of a club, past committee members, they were all there and it was great to see them sharing old times.

We had gone through the old photos and tried to put names to faces for display on the weekend. It was lovely to see the people who were competing back then recognise who was in the old photos, sometimes identifying them and adding the names.

The committee and club members of Northern Victorian QHA worked hard to make sure that the grounds and buildings were looking their best for the celebration, including replacing the posts on one of the last sections of the red gum arena fence. Some of the original posts from the arena were then used to make a memorial to the Bear family, and the foundation members who worked together in its construction. Ron and Peter Bear originally supplied all of the red gum fence posts



and 9' planks which made the arena fence. Peter Bear unveiled the red gum memorial and accepted a smaller memorial on behalf of his father Ron, which was a small section of the original fence with matching plaque, but quite heavy.

The Loddon Shire Mayor Dan Straub, attended the afternoon tea and helped our club president Carlie Turnbull cut the delicious 50th Anniversary cake made by Lindee Frost. It was cut and then some of our junior members took it around ensuring that everyone had the opportunity of sampling a piece. This included spectators, competitors, and even those at their goosenecks and floats far away from the club rooms. They did a great job.

We were very fortunate to have many Sponsors who supported this show contributing towards the costs, as well as providing many lovely prizes for the competitors and the raffle. This included many competitors who bought some goodies along and added them on the weekend after the thank you lists were printed. These are all much appreciated and certainly added to the fun of the raffle Saturday night.

We had our traditional Saturday night dinner for everyone under the veranda, followed by a huge raffle with many and varied prizes. Julie Avery is amazing at organising the raffle and we really appreciate all the wonderful prizes that were donated by sponsors and competitors. The main difference this year being that we had the meal catered for with a spit roast so that our hardworking catering team could also sit back and enjoy the occasion.



While all the anniversary activities were happening we also had our AA' Medallion Show running, and thank all competitors for supporting us and hope they had an enjoyable show. Congratulations went to the winners of our following feature events and Hi-points, the Sue McLean All Age Western Riding won by Liz Keating riding Third Time Lazy, who was lucky enough to have the fabulous garland presented by Sue herself, which was sponsored by Carina Stephens. The Knotty Deck Western Pleasure won by Carol Elliott riding DP Sultry Machine, sponsored by Portia and Kevin Bertram. The Rosa Mae Best Presented Horse & Rider won by Jess McKee and I Gota Ceecret , sponsored by the Stringer family and presented by Pat Stringer, and the Potter Supreme Halter exhibit won by Ryan Robinson with RR A Rose From Heaven, while John Kemp won champion Halter Appaloosa with Dijon in your Dreams.

Hi-point winners for the show were: Amateur – Brianna Ellis, Intermediate – Jasmine Brine, Junior Horse – Its An Aussie Thing, Novice Amateur – Jasmine Brine, Novice Horse – JTM Lazy No Doubt, Select Amateur – Carol Elliott, Senior Horse – YLS Wheres Wodger, Youth – Mia Elliott

Lastly we thank our wonderful committee, and team of members for all their contributions making the show and celebrations the successful weekend that it was. See you next time, at the Hill.

**Dorothy Kaye 12/11/2025**



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# Love

***It came in the form of a plush toy wallaby, but more about that in a minute.***

I had one of those weeks in November where one thing compounded another and my world was full of disappointment and worry. Just when I was thinking whatever next, the internet at home decided to go kaput and the technician could not come for a week.

This all happened right in the middle of doing my school reports and lesson plans which are all done requiring the internet. No one is immune from these weeks and life throws these curve balls.

Now back to the toy wallaby. It was at the end of that tumultuous week that my niece came home from a school camp to Canberra. She told me she had a present for me and could I come to her house that night. My niece, knowing my fondness and rather strange habit of talking to the wallabies on my daily walk at the hill, had spotted this toy at one of the tourists places she went to on the camp. She said, I saw it and thought ***I can't leave this here, I have to get it for Jean.*** So, her precious spending money was spent on this for me rather than treating herself.

That wallaby now sits pride of place on top of our bed head. Every time I look at it, I am reminded of this gift of love.

Christmas too is a gift of love. God not only felt love towards every one of us, and just like my niece, he acted on it. He loves us so much he sent His Son, Jesus, that precious baby who was born in a manger and the reason we celebrate Christmas. Jesus' birth fulfilled the promise of "Immanuel," meaning God wanted to be personally present with His people. God didn't just say "I love you"; He proved it by sending Jesus to experience life with us, even in our struggles. Even during my difficult week, I felt the presence of God surrounding me with his love.

For many in our community, this Christmas will be difficult as they experience a first Christmas without a loved one or are facing personal challenges. Our prayer for you is that this Christmas, you may know the true meaning of Christmas and are surrounded by God's love.

May the Hope, Peace, Joy and Love of Christmas truly be with you and your loved ones.



*Jean Mann  
Pyramid Hill Church of Christ*

**Barefoot Bowls.  
ONE Night Stand  
Wednesday 11th February**

**6:30pm BBQ prior to 7:00pm roll!**

Get your teams organised, check out your flat-soled shoes, pump up your muscles and prepare for some fun!

*Put this important date in your diary.*



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# **PYRAMID HILL ART SHOW**

**13 – 19 February 2026**

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## Bowls Notes:

### Mid-Week Pennant:

It was a mixed bag of lollies for Red Team this week in their away match against Leitchville. Marie N. with Carmen, Ian and Glen put their goodies up out of reach of the opposition but took the hard road to get them there. At the mid-way mark, they were two shots behind the Leitchville guys but by winning seven of their last ten ends they were able to overtake and forge in front to score a handy seven shot victory. Again Ian was in good form – I wish he'd pass on some of his secrets for success!

When bowling he has a great social day out and steps to the mat looking content and relaxed to put in some pearlers. Perhaps that's his secret – relive the past and conquer the problems of the world before bowling and we'll be okay. Or maybe he can put it down to experience and brain training – just like riding a bike. Their score 21-14 almost got the whole side over the line – very nearly almost, but at least enabled them to pocket the Chocolate Freddo Award. Jan, Joe, Kate and Mari started the match in dire straits giving away six shots on the opening end which left them floundering right from the beginning. They were never able to bridge the gap and finished eight shots in the rear, 18-26. If only we had been able to scrounge just one or two shots somewhere, we could have at least tied or maybe even won against our Leitchville neighbours. Sadly it was not to be and the Leitchville side looked much happier at the Christmas afternoon tea with their one shot overall haul, 40 – 39. It was a good tussle played in great spirits, as it should be in this Christmas season, or anytime for that matter.

Blue Team were the real winners – not that they won on either rink, but they were indulged with a two-course roast meal and choice of sweets, topped off with gift packages for each player gratis of the Wakool Bowling Club. Wow!! That was Christmas cheer on the table right there! Greg with Dorothy, Anthony and Jasmine may have been defeated 12-30, but it was heartwarming to watch their game on the live-stream and to see Jasmine and Anthony really setting things up with some good bowls. Bill, Robyn, Allan and Michael had a closer game and only went down by seven shots.

They came home with a rush, perhaps inspired by the wafting aromas of the roast meal about to be served their way. The score 18-25 was very respectable, if you can claim a respectable loss. Well done to them, and “Thanks” to both Wakool and Leitchville for the Christmas treats and good cheer.

### Saturday Pennant

Division 2: What can we claim as



# Christmas Trees

### Are:

- A. Tree's given or received as a gift for Christmas
- B. Tree's planted at Christmas to become the traditional family photo location each Christmas, with Child v Tree growth compare
- C. Bits of plastic and wire twisted into a tree shape in china and erected inside your house
- D. Bits of dead pine tree

### These are 3 good candidates for A & B

#### Gooseberry Mallee - *Eucalyptus calycagona*

An attractive small multi-trunk gum with smooth bark throughout the upper stems, usually a mix of grey, cream, pinkish, or white shades, shedding in long, curling strips. Grows to about 5 metres tall. A Drought hardy tree that thrives in the Big Desert National Park.

#### Kamrooka Mallee - *Eucalyptus frogattii*

Listed as critically endangered this attractive small tree survives in a few mallee scrubs and woodlands north-west of Nhill, south-west of Horsham, near Charlton and north of Bendigo in Kamrooka State park. 6-9 metres tall with smooth colourful bark on the upper sections and rough crumbly bark at the base. Full sun and thrives in well drained clay soils.

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an excuse this week??? Division 2 blotted their copy book going down to Wakool on two rinks and claiming a draw on the third rink. This devastating loss has jolted them down the ladder from top spot to third. Marie S., Marie N, Terry and Ian really struggled to get it together. Once the Wakool folk got the feel of the greens there was no stopping their dominance.

After watching the World Bowls at Barham, I can honestly say that the only thing I learnt was that my game is at the far end of the spectrum. The vision of sugar plums and the thought of replicating some of the bowls displayed by such quality players did me absolutely no good whatsoever. Back to the drawing board. Luckily the Skip, Marie S., was able to salvage a few scores and we did get past the ten shot mark (12-23), but there was not much that was pretty about any of it. Jan, Jean, Kate and Rose suffered a very similar demise losing 12-21. They were slow to get started and just couldn't build any momentum with their opposing Skip thwarting their efforts. Lionel, Carmen, David and Bill were the only guiding lights for the day for Division 2 as they managed to scramble a drawn finish.

They were unfortunate to forfeit the one shot on the last end with the opposing Skip just rolling in to claim the end. The 14-14 score was a display of grit and determination by both teams as no end was scored higher than two for the entire twenty-one ends.... Oops, yes there was one end of three.

Otherwise it was a series of ones.

Division 3 proffered little opposition to the Cohuna 4 side except for the rink skippered by Joe.

Playing with Glen A., Allan and Anthony, Joe steered his team to a valiant win by six shots – 19-13.

Praise was afforded to Glen A. for his accurate bowling which has worthily manifested his spot as a third player in only his first handful of games. They kept a steady rein on their opponents and, had it not been for allowing them a four on the second last end, they basically reduced them to single shots on any ends won. This great success saw them bestowed with the Freddo Award, and very deservedly so. Greg, Mari, Jasmine and Michael obviously got the wrong tray of sandwiches as they found the refuelling did little to assist their bowling. They finished 13-31 down. Glen M., Robyn, Maurie and Lyn found it hard to bother the score board and donated several high multiple tallies in their 12 – 34 loss. Perhaps the most encouraging and sympathetic words are that, in the process of the match for the day, they made other people. However, we all put the demise of the matches or blame for our losses squarely on Maurie's shoulders. Maurie misread the information in his bowls book and drove all the way to Wakool before realizing that, with no-one actually fronting for bowls at that venue, he was in the wrong place. An about-turn saw him wend his way back to Pyramid Hill, arriving some decent time after the start of

play and causing much distress as we worried



distractedly about his welfare!!! Crickey Joe and Holy Moley – there is always some sort of drama every week!! Even one of the Skips from Wakool tried his best to throw us off kilter as he misjudged his kick of a bowl which resulted in him going A over T and ending in a tangled mess on the green.

Fortunately, both Maurie and Des were okay and we were able to complete the day without further incident and enjoy some Christmas nibbles and good cheer at the end. Now we can take a break and hopefully come back refreshed after the Christmas period.

#### Other Notes:

- ✿ Mid-Week Pennant – Play starts again on January 14th with an away game at Cohuna for Red Team and an away game at Kerang Golf for Blue Team.
- ✿ Saturday Pennant – Time to saddle up again on January 17th. Division 2 play away at Cohuna while Division 3 travel to Barham.
- ✿ Social Event: The Christmas Party at Sporties, Kerang, was a great night out to celebrate and relax and enjoy some good tucker. We thank them for their sponsorship.
- ✿ Christmas Hamper: Lucky winners were Cathy Wood (first prize), Garry Hawken (second prize) and Karen Pertzel (third prize). We are certain they will enjoy their wonderful hampers stacked to the brim with goodies so generously donated by our Club Members.
- ✿ New Year's Day Tournament: Entries are being taken for our next Tournament sponsored by Mawsons. Any Combination Triples with 1pm start. Club members are asked to pitch in to help in the usual way.
- ✿ Barefoot Bowls: a one night stand has been scheduled for Wednesday 11th February. Get your teams of three ready and give your entry to Lionel.

*A brighter note: Have you ever wondered why you never read a headline that says, "Psychic Wins Lottery?" - or why aeroplanes are not made of the same indestructible material used to make the black box?*

Here's wishing all bowlers and readers of the Bowls Notes a very safe and enjoyable Christmas filled with hope, joy, love and peace.

May the New Year be stacked with the good stuff – especially wins on the Bowling Green.



## LITTLE ELVES GIVE-AWAY !

*Ho Ho Ho! Congratulations to this week's lucky winners: Johnny Farrar, Brad Ladson, Annie Gibson, Geoff Hampson, Phil Spowart, and Bruce Moon!*

*Festive updates from the sleigh:*

Kincrome's cooler bag has jingled away to a happy new home!  
Golden Yolk has been scooped up — don't miss the next one!  
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Pyramid Hill's newest shop, Finders Keepers Op Shop, is proud to donate \$1500 for the purchase of pool games and activities this summer.

Starting January, make sure you go down to the pool and see what our PHC students have dreamed up for a fun summer.

Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated furniture and items to our shop so that we can sell them on. It is this generosity of the donors and the buyers that allows the shop to support community projects.

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## Hands-on Learning students shine in 2025

Our Hands-On Learning students enjoyed a productive and rewarding year, contributing to a range of meaningful projects. From building nesting and planter boxes to helping in the Op Shop, cooking, repairs, and caring for our gardens, their enthusiasm and dedication truly made a difference. A big thank you to all HOL students for a fantastic year of impact!



## Year 6 Graduation Lunch

On December 11, we celebrated our Year 6 students with a joyful graduation lunch shared with teachers and proud families. Heartfelt speeches reflected on cherished memories and exciting new beginnings. Congratulations to Harry, Xanthe, Ize, Matt, and Lillian on their wonderful achievements as they step into secondary school.



## Presentation Night 2025

Presentation Night on December 16 was a vibrant celebration of student success in academics, sports, community, and the arts. The evening featured impressive performances in dance, music, and singing, showcasing talent and creativity across the school. During the event, our principal, Mrs Moon welcomed the PHC student leaders for 2026. Well done to all students, staff, and families for a memorable night



## Pyramid Hill Christmas Street Party was a great success!

Many thanks to all the helpers, and to Jailhouse Rockers - Burkey, Pooolie and Gouldy for being such good sports and kissing the 'ass'..

A flurry of cash pledges on the night of \$750 made just over \$3000 raised from the Kiss the Ass competition.

Thanks also to Inglewood Community Bendigo Bank for sponsoring Progress to put it on.

Next event is Australia Day! We will see you there..



# Pyramid Hill Australia Day

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## Hi Neighbours!

As we wind down the year, with work break-ups and holiday plans, we reflect on the good, the bad and the busy times.

For Neighbourhood House, it's been a good year. We've helped thousands of people this year, with courses, social interactions and celebrations, quiet chats over a cuppa, connections to services and a way through hard times. We have printed out invitations to citizenship ceremonies, academic endorsements, and application forms, photographs, quilt patterns and family stories.

We've provided space for learning, family visits, bookclubs, exercises, games and art making. We've got stuck into mosaics, and had dozens of kids come to our Holiday Programs. We taught half the district how to make cheese, painted our Hill, learned how to really make coffee and even got our Agricultural Chemical Use skills up to scratch.

We've provided hundreds of trips in our Community Car and collaborated and partnered with community organisations help keep people safe and connected. We also raised over a thousand dollars for cancer research in the lovely new community centre!

We have published 40 Pyramid Presses - told you the scores of all the bowls, netball and footy games, and kept you up to date with the latest John Carroll movements.. [I think he is at home as I type this].

In the Press, we have published cute photos of kids in fancy dress and let you know when important stuff is coming up. Between 50 - 150 of you read the Press online each week - and over 250 read the Press in its printed form!

We have also said goodbye to some friends, and I want to acknowledge there are a number of families who will be missing a loved one this year. If your Christmas table is a little quieter, a little less bright. I want you to know that you are in the hearts of many across town.

As of Tuesday 23rd we will be closing Neighbourhood House for a few weeks, returning 19 January.

Thank you to all who read, the Press and work alongside us at the Neighbourhood House as a volunteer, customer or as an advocate and supporter. We love what we do for you here, and intend on providing the best service we can for you into the new year!

Don't be a stranger..

Kim, Lizzie, Alison, Dr Ziggy and the Committee



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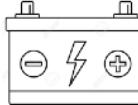
There has been an enormous response to our Christmas Hamper call out - with so much food, toys and treats donated to assist us making people's holidays a little less hard this year.

Pyramid Hill has a huge heart for a small community and we genuinely are so grateful that with your support we can help 18 families this year.



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## Northern District Community Health

*Services located in Kerang, Cohuna, Boort, Pyramid Hill, Quambatook and Swan Hill*

### Services Available:

Medical Clinic | Allied Health | Community Health Nurse | Community Care |  
 Community Support | Health Promotion

#### Community Health Nurse Services Include:

- Take blood/pathology samples
- Wound care
- Chronic disease support
- Palliative care
- and more!

#### Allied Health Services Include:

- Occupational Therapy
- Chronic Disease Management
- Podiatry & Footcare
- Diabetes Education
- Speech Pathology
- Dietitian

#### Main Office (Kerang)

📍 24 Fitzroy Street, Kerang  
 ☎ 03 5451 0200  
 📅 Mon - Friday | 8:30am - 5:00pm

#### Kerang Medical Clinic

📍 34 Fitzroy Street, Kerang  
 ☎ 03 5452 1366  
 📅 Mon - Friday | 8:45am - 5:00pm

#### Pyramid Hill (Community Centre)

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