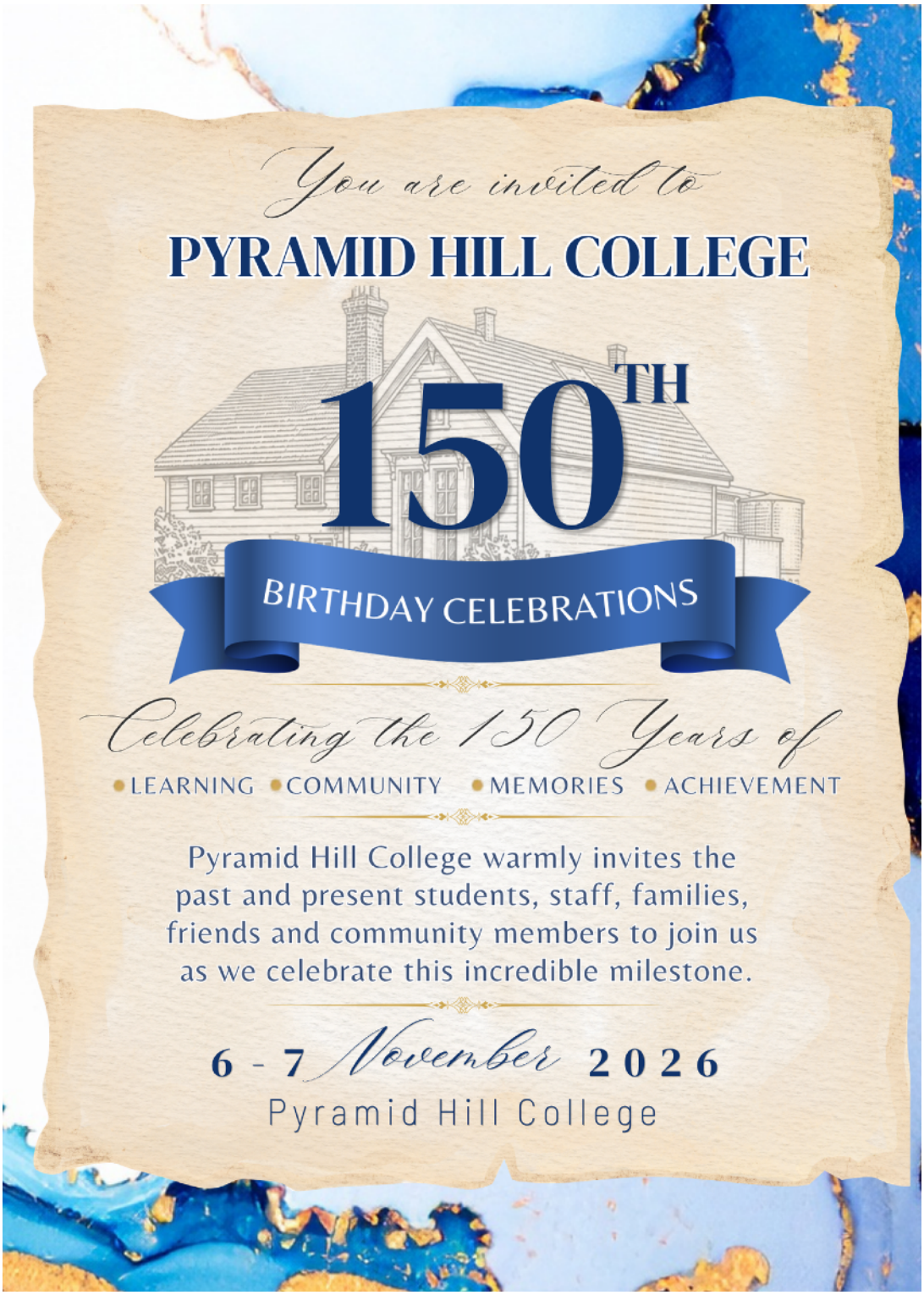
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Neighbourhood House will be closed Monday and Tuesday next week..



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WHAT'S ON

Seniors Festival After Party!
Sunday | Mount Hope

Garage Sales - around town | Sunday 15 November. Listings in next edition's Press and on noticeboards around town.

Cardiac Arrest Awareness and Defibrillator Training | Wednesday 4 November | 4.30pm at Bowls Club

Road To Nhill 30th Anniversary. November 21st Red Carpet Screening, Sunday 22nd Matinee | Memorial Hall - more details to come!

Agricultural Art Workshop with Alannah Cheshire | Sunday 8 November | Cost $25

2026 NVQHA Medallion Show Pyramid Hill | 7 & 8 November | more info on their Facebook page

Nathan Whippy Griggs | Sunday 29 November 6.30pm | Serpentine Rec Reserve

Millers Ag Calendar Photo Comp | Entries to be delivered by 2 December

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 Practice | Pyramid Hill Bowling Club 4.30pm

WEDNESDAYS

Book Club | 4:30 PM | FIRST Wednesday of each month. This month we are reading ***Australian Gospel*** by author Lech Blaine

Moderate Movers
12.30PM | Community Centre in McKay St | Bring a towel / exercise mat and a cold drink. **[not during school hols]**

Pyramid Hill Progress Association
Meeting third Wednesday of the month from 6.30pm meeting time at 7pm | Victoria Hotel *AGM on 21 October

THURSDAYS

Art Group | 10.30 AM | informal crafty arty gathering

FRIDAYS

Pyramid Hill Playgroup | 10:00 AM | Preschool, 67 Kelly St [Storytime and activities once a month with Goldfields Libraries - next dates are : Friday 14 August, 11 Sept. 9 Oct, 13 Nov, 11 Dec

SATURDAYS

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

SUNDAYS

Finders Keepers Op Shop - Furniture and Tools 10am - 1pm next to the Pyramid Hill Store, Kelly St

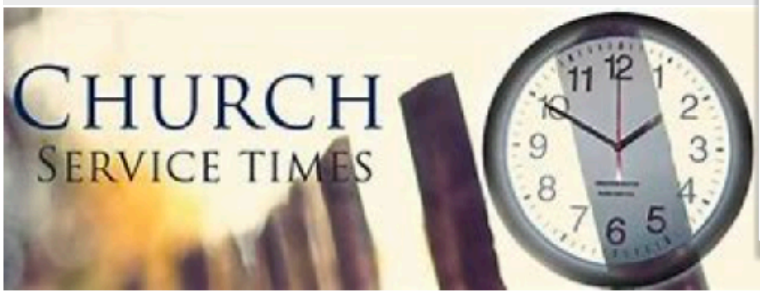




PUBLIC NOTICES

The next edition of the Pyramid Press will be published **Thursday 12 November**

Get your stories and photos in to us at pyramidhillpress@gmail.com by **Tuesday 10 November**



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 join with the UCA at Tyndale Church at 10.00am
4th Sunday 11.00am HC at St Thomas' Anglican Church

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

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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
Uniting Church Enquiries: Robyn 0427 561 973

An invitation is extended to all Sporting and Community Groups, in fact anyone at all, to attend an information session provided by Ambulance Victoria to update skills regarding

Cardiac Arrest Awareness

including how to operate the AED equipment.

Where: the Pyramid Hill Bowling Club rooms

When: Wednesday 4th November

Time: 6:30pm





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School Events

Friday November 6, 2026

2:00pm
- Official Welcome
- Welcome to Country
- Commemorative Celebration
- Time Capsule Ceremony
  (Opened in 2051)
- *Roll Call/Photo Opportunity*

3:30 - 5:00pm
- Afternoon Tea
- School Tours
  Guided tours of our school
  Historical displays open

5:30 - 9:30pm
- Pre-dinner Drinks & Entertainment
- Celebration Dinner in PHC Stadium
  Drinks at bar prices
  (NO BYO)

Community Events

Saturday November 7, 2026

Local attractions to visit.

8:00am
- Community Park Run at the Hill

10:00-12:00 NOON
- PHC Stadium Display & Devonshire Tea

1:00 - 3:00pm Afternoon Activities
- Museum open
- Cemetery Visit
- Local Sport
- Climb the Hill
- Hospitality venues open

4:00 - 5:20pm
- Church Mass of Nuestra Señora Patrocinio de Maria Santisima at St. Patrick's Church

5:20 - 5:50pm
- Procession from St. Patrick's Church to PHC Stadium

6:00 - 6:45pm
- Combined Churches Praise and Worship Service

7:00 - 11:00pm
- Filipino Fiesta in PHC Stadium
  (Dinner at 7:15pm and bring your own non-alcoholic drinks)
  All welcome

For attendance

Please register and book for events and purchase of memorabilia via our QR Code or PHC Office @ 5455-7377

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Keeping our roads in the best possible condition

15 October 2026

“Just make it safe.” That’s the motto of a part of Loddon Shire Council that the public doesn’t always get to see, and when they do they often misunderstand their role.

Darren Hunt and Peter Bewley are Council’s Surveillance Officers, responsible for ensuring our vast road and other infrastructure network is maintained in line with Council’s adopted Road Management Plan.

It’s no small task either – Darren and Peter have to inspect 4,760km of Council-managed sealed and unsealed roads, 230 major bridges and structures, 37km of footpaths, 67km of kerb and channel, six Neighbourhood Safer Places, all the traffic signs on our roads, conduct traffic counts, call in road defects needing to be repaired, railway level crossing inspections and a fair bit more besides.



Loddon Shire Council Surveillance Officers Darren Hunt and Peter Bewley.

The job is year-round with a few distinct ‘seasons’ – night inspections during the winter and six months of bridge inspections followed by six months inspecting footpaths for example. Neighbourhood Safer Place inspections run from October to March, covering the Fire Danger Period.

Earlier this year their vehicles were also fitted with roof-mounted cameras – these take photos every 10m which are stored as proof of the road/ infrastructure condition in case Council needs to make claims for flood or other natural disaster related damage which might be eligible for insurance or grant funding.

Council Director Operations Steve Van Orsouw said that given the delays encountered after the 2022 floods, that promised to be a huge timesaver. “We are building up the most comprehensive data we can on the condition of our roads and associated infrastructure and this will be kept up to date,” he said. However, the cameras – and the inspection routine, which also includes nights during winter to ensure signs can be seen – have caused the occasional misunderstanding from members of the public.

Darren said that was despite the fact the vehicles were clearly marked as Council ones. “We’ve had people chase us down the road and a few other close shaves,” he said. “We’re just doing our job. But we also get stopped a lot by members of the public who might ask us about the roads and we are able to pass on information which helps them.” Peter said the role had a simple goal – to make road infrastructure safe.

“That’s all it’s about at the end of the day,” he said. “We’re out and about inspecting all our roads so we can pick up issues early and get them fixed quickly.”

Both Darren and Peter get a lot of queries about roads which are not Council managed – for these Department of Transport and Planning (VicRoads) roads, the public should call 13 11 70 or visit the DTP website to report an issue. To find out if a road is managed by Council or DTP please visit the Council website.

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* * SENIOR CITIZENS CELEBRATE 55 YEARS * *


Hoffman Duo

Pyramid Hill Senior Citizens celebrated a wonderful milestone last Friday, marking their 55th birthday with a fantastic celebration enjoyed by a very large crowd.

The day was filled with friendship, laughter and plenty of entertainment, with the talented Hoffmann Duo providing wonderful music and helping make the occasion extra special.

It was lovely to welcome visitors from Inglewood, Leitchville and Cohuna, who joined local members and friends in celebrating this important milestone. Their presence made the day even more enjoyable and highlighted the wonderful connections shared between our senior citizens groups.


Kitchen Girls

A celebration of this size takes plenty of hard work behind the scenes, and a very big thank you goes to everyone who helped set up, prepare and serve all the delicious food, and clean up and pack everything away at the end of the day. Your time effort and generosity are greatly appreciated and helped make the celebration such a success.

Happy 55 th birthday to Pyramid Hill Senior Citizens! Here's to many more years of friendship, fun and wonderful memories together.

I would also like to acknowledge the following for their continued support and donations:



Colleen Hampson for supplying the delicious birthday biscuits in honour of Lorraine Dingwall and

Gwen Hampson who were great advocates for the Senior Citizens.

Pyramid Hill Opportunity Shop

Mandeep at Pyramid Hill Store

Paul from Victoria Hotel

Jan Vincent

Rob Manson

Norm Forster

Lisa Schilling

Tania Quinn





See you on Friday October 30th for Games Day at 1pm

Countdown To *The Road to Nhill..*

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ROAD TO NHILL
-Can you help us?

My name is Georggina Campbell and I'm the Production Designer on "Road To Nhill". As of this week I will be coming to town every week looking for props and set dressings, livestock and vehicles for the movie.

Our Location Manager Charlotte Seymour will also be a part-time resident of Pyramid Hill while looking for the right kind of places for us to film in. For example we need: A big open, a beautiful garden an outdoor loo and so the list goes on..... Large kitchens are high on our location priority list. Much of our story takes place in the characters homes and as you can imagine with actors, crew and lighting equiptment an average sized kitchen can feel very, very cramped. If you have a LARGE kitchen and you would be willing to allow a film crew into your life for a short time, please contact Charlotte at our office on ph. 557-221.

Ralph Price is out Vehicle Co-ordinator and next week he will be in town hunting out the vheicles we require. On the morning of Friday 15th of September, Ralph and I will be at our office (the residentce behind the chemist). We hope anyone interested in helping us will drop by. We are looking for all kinds of cars, utes, and trucks, new, old, common, odd, interesting, colourful or plain . Ralph would like to photograph any vehicles that could be made available for filming.

I am also looking for a few talented Kelpies, some heifers, a trained Magpie aand some happy pigs, so if you think that you could help me please don't hesittate to call.

Looking foward to hearing from you
Georgina Campbell.

PYRAMID HILL BUSH NURSING HOSPITAL ANUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held on Monday September 25th 1995 at 8.00pm in the Senior Citizens' Club Rooms

Business:

Confirmation of minutes of Annual Meeting held on 6/9/94.

Presentation of Annual report.

Presentation of Financial report.

Elecion of Committtee members.

The following Committee members retiring are:

Mr. Ian Bartels
Mr. Michael Carmody
Mr. Trevor Forbes
Mrs. Margaret Miles
Mrs. Nola McKinnon

The following Committee members retiring and offering themselves for re-election are:

Mrs. Margaret Miles
Mrs . Nola Mckinnon

Nominations for the election to the committee shall be in writing and signed by two members and delivered to the Secretary no less that seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting. Nomination forms are available from the Secretary.

Members of the public are invited to attend.

E.N.Farrar
Secretary.

Don't Count The Years Let The Years Count.

Was the philosophy of Dr. Elizabeth Birchill at the dinner held recently at Pyramid Hill when the Historical Society celebrated 25 years and Australia Remembers 50 years on.

Dr. (she was awarded her Hon Doctrate in June 1995) Elizabeth told some of her lifes pathways and where they had led her. So she keeps on keeping on. The Senior Citizens Club rooms was a great venue for the occation and the Students from the Pyramid Hill College did a great job of waiting on the tables and their kitchen duties. The Vice President, Noel Harrison with apologies from the President, Cliff Spowart welcomed all. Our thanks to Mrs. Jan Burke for playing songs of the 40's pre-dinner. To the wonderful team of helpers who are always around to call apon our greatfull thanks. We are not a big organisation but we rise to the occasion when needed. The cake made by our Gopher was cut by the Vice President Noel Harrison and President of The Pyramid Hill RSL Mr. Bob Beet.

Dr. Elizabeth was very happy with the number of books Innamincka she sold and your interest in her book, and thanked you all for the hospitallity.

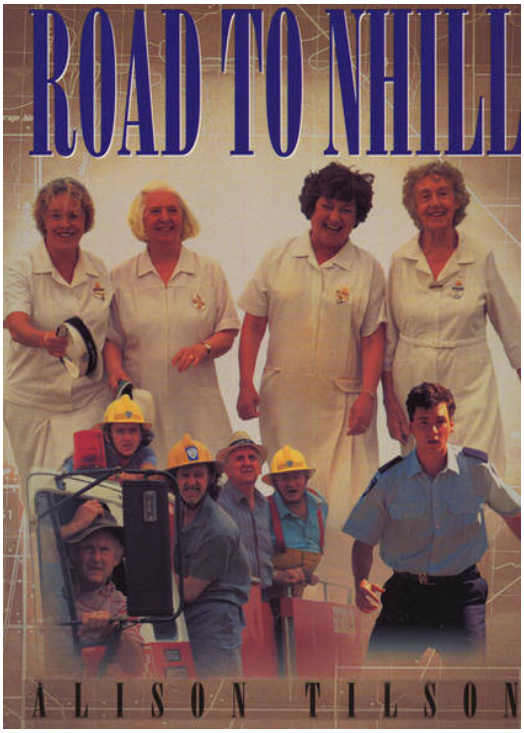
Winners of the raffle were-
1st Kerry Parry
2nd John Carroll
3rd Bess Wood.

THIS WEEKS PRESS

With Year 10 on Work Experience, this weeks Press was produced by Kelly Wilkinson, Luke Sims and Kate McDonald Johnson and folded and compiled by Year 7.

30 YEARS AGO!

This movie was made in Pyramid Hill. Time to roll out the red carpet again.



ROAD TO NHILL

The Memorial Hall committee is proud to present two screenings at the Memorial Hall, Kelly St, Pyramid Hill

Saturday 21st November – doors open at 7pm with movie showing at 7.45pm. Ticket includes savoury nibbles on arrival. Bar available for drinks to be purchased.

Sunday 22nd November – doors open at 1:30pm and movie begins at 2pm. Light afternoon tea served after movie. (No Bar).

Movie snacks available for purchase at both screenings.
Tickets at the door – no pre-sales.

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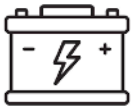


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Debutante Ball 2026

A Night to Remember

On Friday, 16 October, our beautiful debutantes and their partners enjoyed a magical evening at the Pyramid Hill Debutante Ball. Dressed to impress, they showcased their elegance, confidence and wonderful dance moves. It was truly a night to remember, filled with joy, laughter and proud moments for our school community.



Melbourne Trip

Years 3 to 6

Our Years 3 to 6 students enjoyed an exciting Melbourne adventure on October 19 to 21. Highlights included visits to Melbourne Zoo, SEA LIFE Melbourne Aquarium, ArtVo and Queen Victoria Market. Travelling around the city by train and tram added to the fun, making it a memorable experience for everyone.



Torrumbary Camp

Years 7 to 8

From October 21-23, our Years 7 to 8 students enjoyed three action-packed days at Torrumbarry Camp. Filled with adventure, teamwork and exciting activities, the camp provided a wonderful opportunity to build friendships, strengthen connections and create lasting memories.









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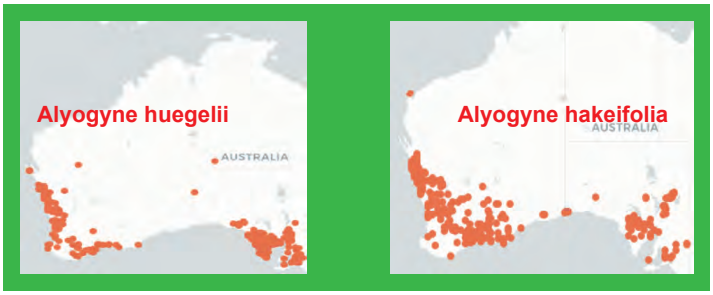
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Pyramid Hill Art Show

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Sunday 8 November

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'Agriculture' is the theme of the 2027 Pyramid Hill Art Show, get your ideas together early for your entry!

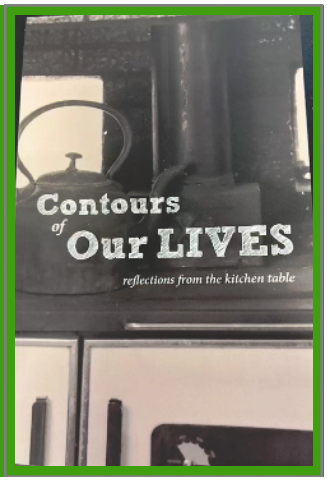


To register for this workshop call Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House
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The re-print of the 2018 publication, **Contours of Our Lives** is now available at Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House.

The collection includes stories by Gwen Twigg, Colleen Condliffe, Rae Hocking and others from across the Loddon Shire.

Come in to grab yourself a copy - there's some terrific memories and recipes throughout!











Recently we realised a large contingent of our online readership are from the United States!

So, to cheer up our friends in the northern hemisphere - here's a picture of Lizzie [and Andre] hard at work preparing the catering for the Garden Party held on the 20th October!

We love her - we just wish she would stop making 'authentic American salads'..

Neighbourhood House News

Hi Neighbours - a GREAT Garden Party to celebrate our Seniors was held last week. I hope everyone that attended truly enjoyed it! We had a delicious lunch cooked by the men of the Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House - Jim and Andre, and we enjoyed music by the divine and funny Kim Ritchie. Coliban Water, Ruth from Robin's Nest Nursery and Brent and Paige from Hearing Australia all contributed to the vibe of the day!

Thanks to all that helped in the set up and pack down, it was a terrific day - funded in part by Loddon Shire as part of the Seniors Festival.

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House AGM was held last night. Thank you to Cheryl McKinnon for running the meeting. Office-Bearers were returned to their roles with no competition. Congratulations to new General Committee Member Sean Leslie for joining us! We hope you enjoy the experience and have the opportunity to share your expertise to help us make Neighbourhood House continue to thrive.

In other news - we have made the decision to CANCEL the town wide Garage Sale for 2026. There has been very low interest this year. We will look at running it next year. There still will be a few sales around town on the 15th! Well worth getting along to.. we will advertise them around town, on the local Facebook pages and in the next Press!!

We will be closed for the pony holiday next Monday and Tuesday, Kim



Bowls Notes:

Okay, this is just a little bit tricky trying to record what has happened in several games over two weeks in order to adapt to fortnightly editions of the Press. The memory is not that proficient, so much of the information will be drawn from score cards - some of which have been done electronically. If anyone tries to convince me that technology is making life easier, they can be sure of encountering a fair bit of debate. Anyway- the challenge is there, so let's confront it head on.

Mid-week Pennant

Round 2:

Division 2 Pyramid Hill Red Team enjoyed a Bye round offering them the opportunity to take a rest, or provide support to the Blue Team who took on the very powerful Gunbower players (that was a simple bit of reporting).

Interestingly, many of the Gunbower players who challenged the **Pyramid Hill Blue Team** were the very same players who played in Division 1 on Saturday, so not only were they ranked a peg or two higher in calibre, they also had a good feel for the greens. All players felt the brunt of the bitingly-cold wind and were glad to seek a hot cuppa at the break. Joe Cauchi (Skip), Robyn Fidler (Third), Anthony Harris (Second) and Michael Arthur (Lead) made up the more successful crew of the two Pyramid Hill rinks. They managed to get to double figures scoring 10 shots which was enough to get the Incentive Award. On the adjacent rink, Rose Harris (Skip), Mari Miller (Third), Dorothy Kaye (Second) and Bill Boyd (Lead) didn't quite reach the double digits. They managed to scramble 8 shots while both Gunbower rinks amassed scores of 29 shots. The overall score 18-58 was not pretty on paper, but as always our players plugged along steadfastly and gave their best. Outplayed and maybe outclassed depending on the criteria for outclassing. Our players were pretty classy.

Round 3: The Red Team PH1 side took on Barham 3. Jan Leed's team, which included Rose Harris playing Third, Kate Wood playing Second and Glenn Atkins in Lead position, despite being beaten 14-20, put up a creditable fight. With the exception of a few costly ends, they generally restricted their opponents to single entries. Marie Noelker's team (Carmen Cauchi playing Third, Terry Stobaus Second and Joe Cauchi as Lead) were just slightly behind in their efforts. They got off to a great start but once the Barham players adjusted to the pace of the greens in comparison to their usual carpet surface, their prowess came to the fore. It was a low scoring match with Barham coming away winners 11-19. The overall tally 25-39 looked worse than the match indicated. It was actually a good tussle.

The highlight of the Round was provided by the **Pyramid Hill Blue Team** who competed against Leitchville. Greg Tate (Skip), Mari Miller (Third), and the Boyd boys, Bill and Ray, had an exhilarating win, 28 shots to 14. It was such a fantastic win they managed to cover the loss on the other rink and bring home the overall goods for a mighty, notch-on-the –wall victory. They kicked off to a great start pooling five shots on their second end giving them a great boost of confidence. After the mid-morning break they really swung into action and amassed handy tallies on seven ends only letting their opponents get a couple of single shots. A great win and a fresh chocolate frog in the taking for this tiny army! Not able to record a win, but able to stay close enough in touch to get a side win, Robyn Fidler (Skip to Lyn Claridge, Anthony Harris and Michael Arthur) were right in the fight. Unfortunately, on the third end they gave away five shots, which basically determined their demise as they finished their match six shots down, 14-20. Congratulations, Pyramid Hill 2. You rock!!

Saturday Pennant:

Round 2:

Division 1 headed to Barham where we got to taste and feel what playing in Division 1 is really all about. The far too strong Barham side repeatedly compiled multiple scores multiple times. Lionel Mann's rink (Carmen Cauchi, Bill Boyd and Joe Cauchi) put up a good show but the match proved about five ends too long. The last five ends saw their early match efforts dissipate and, alas, they finished with a creditable loss, 21-30, just nine shots down, which in our terms was a very fine attempt. Jan Leed, Skip to Jean Mann, Kate Wood and Rose Harris, if nothing more, had a game filled with mirth and merriment. It took them five ends to register on the score board. They had a purple patch mid-game rapidly accumulating nine shots before Barham took over again with clarity and skill. They completed their match gaining 13 shots to 29 but seemed to enjoy themselves doing it. Marie Scott (fresh from her trip to Japan) put in some great saving bowls as she was (sometimes) supported by Marie Noelker, Glenn Atkins and Fred Schmidt. It was a match that demonstrated that not having the bowls close to the jack was not close enough, but on the other hand, having them too close, particularly in a cluster, just created a perfect target for the opposing Skip to fire a missile. They managed to scramble, in a dispiriting game, to reach the elusive double figures on the final end finishing 10 -29 down. In the final wash-up it can be determined that we are only half as good as we need to be to compete at this level since Barham doubled our score 44-88. To top it off the jolly Live Scoring featured again – not for its simplicity and accuracy, but for its ability to cause anxiety, frustration and distraction. Surely there has to be a positive from the day?? Well, yes there was – in fact several: we enjoyed the canopy which shielded us from the sun, the company was good, the live Scoring worked some of the time, and we enjoyed the Chinese dinner after the match. And every now and then some good bowls were played! All was not terrible!

Division 3: hosted Cohuna 5 and had a tad more success. Well done and congratulations to Robyn Fidler who was Jack-of-all-trades, Team Manager, Sandwich Maker, Bar Lady, Speech Maker, Equipment Setter-outer, Picker Upper and Putter Away-er. On top of that, she still managed a play in the role of Skip with a team one member short. That was one gallant effort and deserving of a round of applause. Her rink was made up with George Godward and Sub-player, Bert. They lost 11-30 and did it in fine style. Mari Miller played Skip to Anthony Harris (having a shot at Third), Substitute player Reg, and Amy Dzufer. Their score card results reflect a great fighting spirit. Being well down at the lunch break, they resurfaced with a vengeance after fuelling up, winning the majority of ends to surge home getting to within two shots at the conclusion of the match. A 17-19 shot loss was very impressive. Well done, to them. The highlight of the day was the impregnable scoring by Greg Tate and his team members, Ray Boyd, Sub player Don, and Michael Arthur. Once they got started, they really got started and there was no stopping them. It took six ends to find their groove but then they won ten ends in succession, followed up shortly after with another four ends, a massive total of fifteen ends in total! Their scoring win by fifteen shots (26-11) decidedly earned them the Chocolate Frog Award for the day, being the best performing (and only winning rink) on the day. The overall tally 54 – 60 was one of those "oh, so close" affairs. Well done, Division 3! Special thanks to the Substitute players provided by Barham. Once again we had numerous members of our club unavailable, which makes the job of selecting teams extremely challenging. Without the Barham players, (Reg, Don and Bert) we would not have been able to field a side which would have resulted in our available players missing out altogether and the Club incurring a fine for the forfeit. Thanks cluBarham for helping us out.

Round 3:

Division 1 hosted Kerang who dominated proceedings all day. Well, No! You could say that after the playing of two ends on each of the three rinks, the scores were close. After that things became somewhat dire. Joe Cauchi took the role of Skip in the absence of Lionel, and can hold his head high as he competed well with his team (Carmen Cauchi, David Demaine and Fred Schmidt), who consistently had bowls in the head sufficient enough to cause the opposition Skip to, successfully employ, drive-shot tactics on many an occasion. Their meagre score 7-31 only reflects the end result not the composition of the game. Our ladies team comprising Jan Leed, Jean Mann, Kate Wood and Rose Harris suffered a similar fate. They scrambled to score intermittently and reached a tally of six shots while their Kerang opponents notched up 25 for themselves. There was not much more joy shown on the rink with Marie Scott, Skip, heading up Marie Noelker, Glen Atkins and Ian Bartels. Despite the lads playing well they were totally out-classed to get beaten 12- 23. The only redeeming fact is that they reached double figures. All in all there were slim pickings for the Pyramid Hill folk that day. Looking for a bright spot is the undeniable fact that we were in a winning position after two ends each. Hmmmm! Perhaps, practice could include some training in how to play the drive-shot … or maybe practice can just be turn up at practice. We enjoyed the company, the weather was not too bad, the sandwiches were yummy – I fear that might be our catch-cry this season.

Division 3 travelled to Cohuna where they experienced a hefty defeat, 101-39 shots. To protect the mental wellbeing of our players, not all scores will be recorded in this report. Suffice to say that they encountered some players of much more experience and skill. However, not all was disastrous. Bill Boyd playing in the role of Skip had a great day out with a Midas-touch, everything turning to gold type of day. Supporting Bill was Chester Bennett (having his first crack at playing Third and fulfilling the role admirably) along with Dorothy Kaye and George Godward. They started in very fine fashion gaining a handy lead of 10 shots to two by the seventh end. Seemingly, they tired in the final stages and lost eleven shots on the last four ends which almost cost them the match. They held on to finish with a two shot margin, 21-19, and earn themselves mighty accolades and a coveted chocolate frog. Other players on the day were Lyn Claridge with Robyn Fidler, Anthony Harris and Amy Dzufer. Terry Stobaus, Ray Boyd, and Michael Arthur were supported by sub player, Barb. Sometimes they all enjoyed the match some of the time, they gave their best, the weather wasn't bad and the sandwiches were good. They were there and they did it! The moral of the story is: there's always a bright side to every situation if you look hard enough. This time we didn't have to look very hard. Bill and his team displayed the bright side.

Other News

All members and community folk, along with local Sporting Bodies, are invited to attend a session related to Cardiac Arrest Awareness and AED refresher course at the Bowling Club Rooms on 4th November at 6:30pm. This information session will be provided by members of Ambulance Victoria and is of no cost. Everyone invited, everyone welcome.

Our first Tournament is to be held on Sunday, 15th November. This is an Any Combination Fours event with a focus being on raising funds for the Ballarat and Echuca Wellness Centres. Entries are open by placing names on the sheet at the Clubrooms or contacting Jan Leed or Lionel Mann. All members are asked to assist with catering and preparation.

Thought for the day: I still have an hourglass figure. Mine just contains more sand.

Thank goodness we can still laugh!

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