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Nar Nar Goon Pony Club

The month of July at Nar Nar Goon Pony Club has been a busy and exciting one. We are very privileged to have received a grant from Garfield op shop! This grant will go towards purchasing some much-needed equipment to use at our rallies and to purchase some hoodies to keep the children warm on these chilly days!!

A huge thank you to the Garfield op shop for this grant, Nar Nar Goon Pony Club would not be able to keep going without the generous support from the community!!

At our July rally we headed off to Oakwood riding

school in Clyde North, where we joined Berwick Pony club for a friendship rally. Oakwood has some amazing indoor arena facilities, so we kept nice and dry and warm.

The children engaged in a theory lesson, where they work through their pony club manuals. A poles lesson, where they had to maintain their trotting speed over the X poles, while also maintaining steering and balance. The show jumping lesson taught the children to count their ponies' strides coming up to the jump, also the children had to work on steering their ponies over the jump straight on. Some of these little ponies like to show the big horses how to do it, with plenty of height when going over a little jump.

It was great for the children to have this experience, and give themselves and their ponies more exposure to different environments and experiences.



NNG Progress Association Meeting:

7pm, Tuesday 27th August

St John's Community Centre
(behind the Posh Op Shop)
8 Main Street, Nar Nar Goon

All Welcome!

Ladies of the Swamp Charity Quilting Group



The Ladies of the Swamp Charity Quilting Group started in 2019 in response to the Bunyip/Tonimbuk bushfires. Over 100 quilts were donated to the fire relief for those in need of some comfort. The group have also donated many quilts to the East Gippsland bushfire relief, Batemans Bay bushfire relief, a women's accomodation project in Morwell and also to the Koo Wee Rup nursing home.

The self-funded group rely on donations of fabric and quilts (both tops and fully completed) to help continue our work. If you would like to join us, everyone is welcome.

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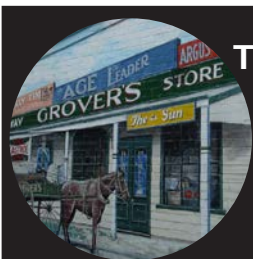
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NNG HISTORY GROUP

Our meetings where we invite guest speakers to share their stories of life connected with Nar Nar Goon are on pause until October.

BUT to keep the connections and conversations going in the interim, Cathy has organised the opportunity for the NNG History Group to meet on Friday 23rd Aug at 2pm at St Johns church to share some photos and look at some broader history.

Please bring along any photos connected with the history of NNG. Sounds like one of those occasions where some historical treasures will be revealed through individual collections and experiences.

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HOT SPOT - from your friendly fire brigade

On Saturday 3rd August our brigade had the pleasure of celebrating our annual dinner.

A statement from our very one Captain Justin Seddon It's often said in the fire service it's not yours until it has your name on. It's not yours until you have the keys. It's not yours until it's in the station. Saturday night we were officially handed the keys to the New Nar Nar Goon Rescue by MP Emma Vulin and supported by MP Wayne Farnham and Cardinia Shire Mayor Jack Kowarzik. A fantastic night celebrating the brigades' achievements over the last 12 months and officially accepting the New Rescue Appliance. This Rescue is worth over \$800,000 and complete with Australian Rescue Firsts. This truck is number 3 out of 5 and a credit to CFA Chief Officer for the investment in Rescue in our state.

This year there was a number of well-deserved service



awards received for members of the brigade, ranging from 5-year certificates to 35-year life memberships, Congratulations to all of the deserving recipients. We would also like to shout out the wonderful Opportunity Shop representatives from Berwick, Pakenham and Nar Nar Goon, Averley Lend-Lease, Bunnings and The Butcher with The Chef who came along to celebrate the night with us. The generous donations and support from these groups goes a long way to help fund the ongoing expert equipment we require to enable us to do the job we do. We also had the privilege of having our very own Community Reverend Cathy make a beautiful speech and bless our Newly handed over Rescue Vehicle.



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Dore a much loved coach

By Corey Everitt

(Pakenham Gazette 24th July 2024)

Locals are remembering football player and coach James Thomas Door (1948-2024), a legendary leader respected across the football world and mentor for many from his hometown Nar Nar Goon to the fierce local league in Canberra.

Mr Dore died on Sunday 14 July at the age 76.

A member of the well-known family, Mr Dore was born and raised on the family farm in Nar Nar Goon.

Moving to Canberra and eventually Queensland later in life, his roots locally are strong and he is still remembered for his pivotal role in local football.

President of the Nar Nar Goon Football Club, Patrick Noonan remembers watching him coach the club to the 1980 premiership during his younger days as a player.

"He was a very passionate man and very driven. He held Nar Nar Goon close to his heart," he said.

"He drove the boys and got the best out of them, but he still set a really high standard for himself."

1980 was far from the last premiership he would play or coach in, as the Gazette understands Mr Dore was involved in at least nine senior premierships in his life - most of which he led as coach.

Nar Nar Goon was his longest contribution where he developed in the juniors to be a promising talent.

In the 60's he was named under 16's best and fairest for the West Gippsland Football league. He got his senior debut young, playing in the 1965 premiership at the age of 16.

He played in another premiership in 1970, involved in two flags by the age of 22.

In the 70's he would take up coaching both in juniors and seniors.

He took appointments to Wychebrook Narraport Football Club in 1975 and Mildura's Imperial Football Club in 1976.

He would lead both to a premiership.

Early on, he did this while managing a farm with his brother Geoff and also putting himself through higher education to become an accountant.

He would return to be a senior coach for Nar Nar Goon where he brought them to the 1979 and 1980 grand final.

They would lose 79, but take the flag the second time round. Unfortunately in 1980 he was injured and reserved solely to being a coach on the sidelines.

Nonetheless, it was a significant moment to lead his home club as champions and his players knew it too. He was chaired around the ground upon victory.

After this time he would move clubs, with a stint at Tooradin and a number of years at Pakenham.

His talents to develop players was equalled by his performance on the field. Skilled allround, he played predominantly at centre half back at Nar Nar Goon, but at Pakenham he played at full forward in their 1989 premiership.

Former president of Pakenham Football Club Greg Marshall remembers his legendary status that was firmly established by the 80s.

"He was very well respected in the football world," he said.

"A terrific country football coach and his record would tell you that. Some learnt quite a lot from him."

In these years he caught the eye of VFL teams seeking to

employ his talents. After he departed Nar Nar Goon, he became a development officer for Carlton. Then he was recruited in the early years of Kevin Sheedy's reign to coach and develop Essendon's young prospects in their under 19's side.

By the 90's he would move to Canberra following new employment.

According to a local interview by Tony Wynd he had no plans to coach when he moved to the Nation's capital.

However, his endeavours hundreds of kilometres south took little time to spread amongst the AFL Canberra league and clubs were eager to court the new accountant in town.

This was helped by coincidence, Mr Dore's first senior coach and fellow football legend of Pakenham and Nar Nar Goon Bill Drake also moved to Canberra years before him where he coached at Ainslie and Eastlake Football Clubs.

Eastland wanted to appoint him, but the complications saw a contract fall through and he found himself senior coach at Queanbeyan Football Club in 1998.

Recruited to steer the Club back on course after the abrupt departures of a coach and several senior players, the club reportedly had 'less than a dozen' turn up for the first practice and lost by '8-10 goals' in each preseason game.

Not only would Mr Dore lead the club to a premiership that very year, the First would become a historic three-peat team winning the premiership over 1998, 1999 and 2000 seasons.

He would coach one more year in 2001, capping off almost 40 years in senior football with an epic saga.

In the interview by Tony Wynd, Mr Dore reflects, "Football can and has always provided me with a focus and purpose when other aspects of life were not so smooth. The only time I would totally relax is after a grand final win. To sit in the social club and see the pleasure on all the faces - the players, officials, volunteers and supporters - brings the greatest satisfaction when you get the job done."

Even though he moved far from his hometown he was always 'very keen' to hear how Nar Nar Goon was doing when contacting friends and family. His brother Geoff recalls a life dedicated to football.

"He got a very serious about his football, he was very determined," he said.

"He was always inspirational as a brother to me."



Photo: James Dore (left) with then coach Ray Christie (middle) and assistant coach Barry Cunningham (right) holding the 1970 premiership cup.

NNG History Group

Part One (Part Two will continue in September Issue)

The Kennelly Family

On May 31st, 2024, Carmel, Danny, Bet and Leo Kennelly presented their family story to the Nar Nar Goon History Group at St. John's Anglican Church. Attending to support the siblings were Ros (Jackson; Vandenberghe) who married Brian Kennelly, their eldest brother, who died in 2017, and Rita (Knaap) who married Terry, the second eldest, who died in 2014.



Photo: Leo Kennelly, Carmel (Kennelly) Sparkes, Bet (Kennelly) Bertino and Danny Kennelly



Photo (left): Brian and Ros Kennelly 1995 and (right): Terry and Rita Kennelly 1972



Photo: (L-R): Terry, Carmel, Brian, Danny, Leo, Bet. Seated: Tess, Maurice 1984

Carmel: Percy Audas, Sophia Audas and Tess Kennelly
Our parents, Maurice and Tess Kennelly were married at St James Church Nar Nar Goon in April 1947. They had six children in eight years, followed by 12 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren as of May 2024.

Percy Audas and Sophia Audas are highly significant in this story. Percy was Tess's adoptive uncle. He was born in 1867 at Buninyong and died at his home next door to ours in 1960 aged 93. He had been cared for by Tess, who had six young children at the time.

Percy attended The Bendigo School of Mines, where, in 1905, he achieved 1st Class Honours in the Mining Manager examination.

He came to Nar Nar Goon in 1910 and ran sawmills in the area up until the early 1950s under the business name Nar Nar Goon Sawmills, but his mills were usually known locally as Old Audy's Mill.

Percy's first mill was just north of the town of Nar Nar Goon. He later had mills in the Gembrook and Tonimbuk areas and, for 20 years between WW1 and WW11, operated The Big Mill at Tynong Nth that had been operated by the Weatherhead family for many years.

Sawmills provided timber for houses locally and in Melbourne. There was huge, ongoing demand for timber for packing cases for orchardists and, during WW11, for shipping munitions and other supplies to war zones. Timber for building munitions factories and aircraft hangers was also essential. After ships transporting matchmaking timber from Norway and Sweden were sunk by the enemy in WW11, sawmillers supplied Bryant and May in Richmond with timber for matchmaking. Matches were essential for lighting flames and fire for household lighting, cooking and heating and for industry.

In the Depression of the early 1930s when there was little demand for timber, Percy got together a group of unemployed men in Nar Nar Goon to clear scrub through the bush alongside the timber tram tracks to make a road to the Tynong Nth Mill. As Model T Ford and Chev trucks were becoming common in the area, he knew they would eventually replace horses and drays to transport timber to the railway stations and timber yards in the towns.

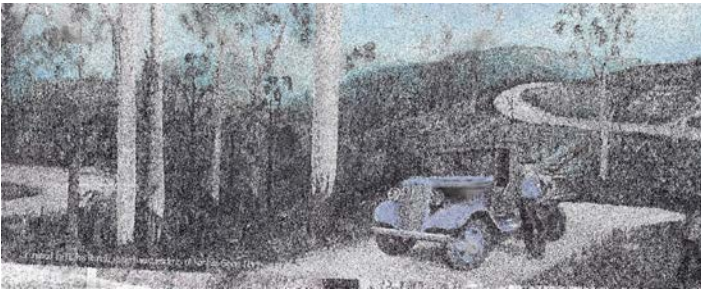
Like all sawmillers, Percy experienced his share of serious injuries, one putting him in the Alfred Hospital for months after a falling log crushed his hip. Men who worked with him described him as 'a nice bloke', 'certainly a tough old gent' and 'a big, tough but likeable former miner'.

Some of this information is taken from Branches from Weatherhead Road by Max Weatherhead, father of Bruce who presented his family history in December 2023. I have also referred to Bellbrakes, Bullocks and Bushmen written by Mike McCarthy.

Percy lived in the Nar Goon Hotel before building his

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house in the town, but lived in huts on site when working at the mills. In the early 1950s, when he was well into his 80s, he was running a mill north of Nar Nar Goon.



Percy and his truck. This free-standing mural stood for many years in the Eddie Lowen Memorial Park in Nar Nar Goon.

Sometime before the late 1930s Percy bought four adjoining blocks of land south of the railway line in Carney St. He ran his business from the block next to what later became Maryknoll Joinery Works in 1952. He built a house for himself on the second block, and gave the third one to Maurice and Tess when they married. He also provided timber for their house, which became the family home until it was sold in 2003. He bequeathed his fourth block to Tess upon his death in 1960.

Percy had many interests. He was Vice President and President of the Nar Nar Goon Football Club over five years during the 1930s. He kept a large vegetable garden, with fruit trees, an ornamental grape vine over the chook house and rows of strawberries. Roses along the driveway and annuals at his front door provided colour.

He often caught a steam train to the races at Caulfield, Flemington or Moonee Valley. When he returned in the evening, he would call into our house to exchange a few words with Tess and give her a block of chocolate, sometimes two. Tess said she could always tell what sort of day he'd had by the number of blocks he gave her

And, finally, a sad story. In January 1940, before Tess came to live in Nar Nar Goon, she was travelling with her adoptive mother, Sophia Audas, and Sophia's brother, Percy Audas, from Melbourne to Nar Nar Goon for a holiday. The car they were in was involved in an accident at the junction of the Princes Highway and Springvale Rd. The car rolled three times. Sophia was killed. Percy and Tess were not seriously injured. Tess was left with no means of support after Sophia's death. She had just turned 18. Bet will talk about this stage of Tess's life.

Tess came to live with Percy later that year. She always said that her life started when she came to Nar Nar Goon, then met and married Maurice, and

had her own family. She was eternally grateful for the opportunities in life which Sophia and Percy gave her.



Bet: My information is taken partly from Terry's eulogy for Tess in 2005. Since then, the family has obtained previously unknown information about Tess's birth and early years.

Tess was born on the 1st of December 1921 in Carlton at the Royal Women's Hospital. She never knew her parents.

Until recent years, birth certificates of adopted children were only issued at the time of adoption in the name of the adoptive parents, not the biological mother and father. It was thought best for the child to know little, if anything, about the circumstances of their birth. There was normally no contact between the parents and the child, and records were not readily available until laws changed in recent years as community attitudes changed.

Percy Audas 1947

Tess never discussed her early life, apart from saying she lived in an 'orphanage' run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Albert Park. Her earliest memory was of

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standing on a kitchen table facing a small courtyard, being dressed all in blue, and being taken to 'a big place', probably the Good Shepherd Convent. There were about 10 girls there in Tess's time, she, entering a couple of weeks after her third birthday, being the youngest.

The Good Shepherd Convent, 142-150 Beaconsfield Pde, was not actually an orphanage but it provided accommodation and care for a small number of children. It mainly housed women referred by the courts who worked in the commercial laundry which took in washing from the ships in Port Melbourne. Other women paid board to live there. They all lived in three separate sections. The nuns also ran a well-regarded school for local girls, which Tess attended.

A couple of years before Tess died, Carmel asked her how she would feel about her making enquiries into Tess's background, given laws had changed and information around adoption had become more readily available. Tess said she did not need this for herself, because she had never looked back after coming to Nar Nar Goon, but it would be important for her grandchildren to know where they had come from. So, yes.

The people at the services Carmel eventually engaged with were extremely helpful and treated Tess's information with great sensitivity. I attended VANISH and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) with Carmel in 2019.

McKillop Family Services, now the keeper of The Good Shepherd Sisters archives, provided all the information they had about Tess – simply her name, birth date, place of birth, place of baptism and admission and exit dates. This page could later be used by DHHS to verify Tess's identity.

VANISH, an organization which assists individuals and families affected by adoption, provided important guidance.

DHHS had access to legal documents about Tess's adoption, which we never knew existed. We discovered Tess's mother was Mary Cox, a 32-year-old teacher from Burnie, Tasmania. When she found herself pregnant, she travelled to Melbourne where she remained until the birth of her baby, whom she named Tessa Mary. Tess died without knowing this. All her life she believed her given name was Theresa Mary.

Mary returned to Tasmania two weeks after the birth without her baby, who was left in the care and custody of a Good Shepherd nun, Sister Monica Winifred Bolger, a Probation Officer for The Children's Welfare Department and The Court of Petty Sessions.

Tess was boarded out with two foster mothers for the first 3 years of her life. Mary Cox paid 12 shillings and sixpence weekly for these boarding arrangements.

When Tess was three years old, Sr Monica met with Mary Cox in Melbourne. Mary was about to take up a teaching position in Sydney. She gave Sr Monica a letter stating that she could no longer afford to pay for the caring arrangements and gave Sister Monica full charge of her child. Sister Monica placed Tess into the Good Shepherd Convent in South Melbourne (Albert Park) where she lived until aged nine and a half, when she was handed over into the informal care of Sophia Audas in July 1931.

In 1932, Sister Monica met Mary in Sydney, where Mary revealed she was happily married and had one child. On hearing that Tess was being well cared for, Mary was very pleased and asked Sister Monica to proceed with the adoption. She requested that no further correspondence be forwarded to her, as her family in law were unaware of the existence of the child.

In those days, there was such stigma and shame attached to having a baby 'out of wedlock' or being born 'out of wedlock', that it was shrouded in secrecy. The pregnant girl or woman went away from home until after the birth, and it was not spoken about publicly, especially when she was about to marry. The husband's family, or even the husband, would usually not be told about the baby or child. So, on the 24th of August 1934, after a court process which was required due to the single status and age of the applicant, and the age of the child, Tess was formerly adopted by Sophia Anne Audas, a 60-year-old retired public servant. She described Sophia as a lovely lady, whom she called Auntie So. They lived at 105 Punt Rd, Windsor.

As Carmel has said, after Sophia died in an accident in January 1940, Tess was left on her own, aged 18. She was in the third year of a course at the Emily McPherson College of Domestic Science at the time. With no accommodation or financial support, she was unable to complete the course, so she boarded with a mother and daughter in Eltham and worked at the Spencer St Railway Station refreshments room starting at 6:30am, which catered for railway workers and travellers.

Later in the year, one of Sophia's family members suggested to Percy that Tess come to Nar Nar Goon to look after him, keep house and help run his timber yard. He could provide her with a home. And, so, Tess came to Nar Nar Goon and they looked after one another for the next 20 years.

Tess got her driver's licence in a Model T Ford in Melbourne at 18. After two failed attempts, the instructor said to her, "Bring a box of cigars next time girlie." She passed the test!

There were few cars in the town in Tess's early years and few women drove. So, as she had access to Percy's car Tess was often sent for when someone needed urgent medical care. Once she took a neighbour to the

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Garfield doctor and was told the man's appendix had burst and she would have to drive him to the Alfred Hospital. Luckily, she was familiar with the area, but arrived at St Kilda Junction at the end of peak hour as the policeman walked off point duty.

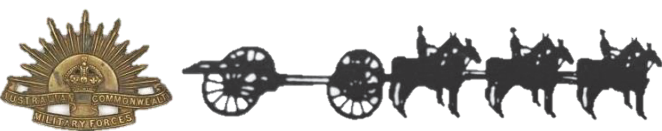
Another time she drove Ag Brown, who was in labour, to Pakenham Bush Nursing Hospital. She used to say, "I swear to God, the baby had arrived on the back seat before we drove into the car park." That baby was Bill Brown.

In the late 1960s, with the opening of the potato and onion processing business in Nar Nar Goon, Tess was offered employment by the Production Manager – the esteemed Bill Doherty. She worked there for about 17 years.

At various times, Tess was Secretary of the Infant Welfare Centre, Secretary/Treasurer and playing member of the Nar Nar Goon Tennis Club, Rural Fire Brigade phone response operator, Red Cross collector and Nar Nar Goon Football Club canteen volunteer. She helped with fund-raising efforts and supported St Joseph's Primary School, Cora Lynn and St. James Church, Nar Nar Goon.

Tess and Maurice were married for 49 years and were devoted to one another.

Part Two will continue next issue...



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Pakenham East Precinct new suburb name updated to "Honora Fields"

A suffix has been added to Cardinia Shire's newest suburb name "Honora Fields," to comply with Geographic Names Victoria (GNV) requirements and finalise the naming process.

Honora Fields pays homage to Honora Carney, a Cardinia Shire local whose family has significant ties to land between Pakenham and Nar Nar Goon, dating back to 1869. It is also the land where Honora, together with her husband Michael and their 7 children, operated their farming business for many years. Members of the Carney family currently still live within the suburb area.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Jack Kowarzik said that Council adopted the name Honora at the 15 July Council meeting following a 5-week consultation period during which the name received the highest number of votes from the community.

Honora Fields encompasses sections of land between Pakenham, Nar Nar Goon and Nar Nar Goon North and is expected to accommodate 7,000 new homes.

The naming process for the suburb has now entered a 30-day notice period, with homeowners within the suburb boundaries contacted should they like to make a submission in support or objection of the use of "fields" within the name. Submissions must be received by 12 September 2024 via email to mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au.

All submissions must comply with Naming rules for places in Victoria – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities – 2022.

To learn more about the Pakenham East Precinct Naming Process, visit <https://creating.cardinia.vic.gov.au/pakenham-east-precinct-naming>

Getting to know your Family History:

a series of talks on the third Thursday of the month, 2024.

Presented by

Jane Rivett-Carnac, President of the Narre Warren & District Family History Group and Heather Arnold, President of the Koo Wee Rup Swamp Historical Society.

Venue: Berwick Pakenham Historical Society Museum
85 Princes Highway, Pakenham (enter via Service Road at James Street)

Talks run from 11.00am to 12 noon.

Programme:

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- **September 19** ~ Convicts and Exiles
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Topics covered include: How ageing can affect driving; Driving tips to enhance your safety when driving; How to manage driving with a medical condition; Planning for the future and Where to get information.

Tuesday 27 August, 1.30pm - 2.30pm. Cost FREE

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Wednesday 21 August, 11.30am - 1.00pm

OR General audience

Tuesday 10 September, 10.00am - 11.30am

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Scam Awareness

Delivered by a representative from the National Anti-Scam Centre via Teams at Outlook Community Centre. Presentation will include: An introduction to scams and their impact; Case studies that showcase what warning signs to watch out for and how to stay

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'Green up' Cardinia with weed-control grants

Help keep Cardinia green through applying for weed control grants of up to \$1,500* which are now open for 2024-25.

Available through the Greening Cardinia program, the grants aim to improve biodiversity on private and public land and create habitat for threatened species.

Eligible applicants can be landowners or community groups undertaking works to control high-impact weeds on property located in areas of high environmental value. This can include land near bushland, natural reserves or creeks and rivers. Landowners on properties over 4,000m² (1 acre) and community groups* may apply for a maximum of \$1,500.

Activities that are eligible include:

Works that control high-impact weeds on property located in areas of high biodiversity value. Purchasing approved chemicals for the required works* (up to a maximum of \$750 per grant). Disposing of weed material (such as tip passes or skip hire). The hiring of equipment (such as mulchers). Hiring contractors* (conditions apply; see website for details).

In addition to the weed control grants, the Greening Cardinia program includes an indigenous plant giveaway (Category 2) and biodiversity incentive community group grants (Category 3).

For further information, including about how to apply, visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/greeningcardinia.

If you need assistance, please contact our Environment and Heritage team on 1300 787 624.

Nominate a young person for Cardinia Shire's Good Choice Awards

Nominations are now open for the Cardinia Shire Council's annual Good Choice Awards.

The Good Choice Awards recognise and celebrate young people aged 12-24 who demonstrate resilience, kindness, and strength in their decision-making throughout 2024. This might include prioritising study, applying for a job, making informed choices about their health and safety, accessing support networks, prioritising life goals and aspirations, choosing to spend time with positive influences, and engaging in school or returning to study with confidence.

Nominations for the Good Choice Awards close on Friday, 13 September.

Council will hold a celebratory event in December to recognise all young people nominated for a Good Choice Award.

Nominate a young person by completing the online nomination form.

Local Law updated to enhance community safety and wellbeing

Cardinia Shire Council has updated Local Law 17 which will now be known as the Community Local Law 2024, coming into effect on 1 August 2024.

This law plays a crucial role in addressing various local issues, safeguarding the municipality's amenity, regulating activities on Council-controlled land and roads, and enhancing community safety. The amendments to the Local Law were carefully crafted based on extensive feedback from community members. These changes also reflect emerging issues and evolving community needs.

Key Changes in the Community Local Law 2024:

Hoon Events: Participation in, encouragement or attendance at a hoon event is an offence. Parking near a hoon event without a lawful excuse is also prohibited.

Real Estate Pointer Boards: Boards can be used without a permit, subject to compliance with specific requirements, including the need to remove boards promptly. These changes aim to reduce clutter and improve road safety.

Domestic Waste and Recycling: The updated law clarifies current requirements for household waste, green waste, and recycled waste collection, and introduce penalties for placing prohibited materials in bins. Educational efforts continue to promote proper waste management.

Asset Protection Permits: Permit requirements have been strengthened to ensure protection of Council assets and increased penalties for non-compliance.

Building Site Regulations: Higher penalties for stormwater protection, containment of refuse, disposal and removal of builders' refuse, and sanitary facilities, have been introduced to ensure compliance and protect community amenities. New regulations have been introduced to control building site work hours, aligning with EPA construction noise provisions.

These laws are designed to enhance the quality of life for all residents by ensuring a clean, safe, and well-maintained environment. Local Laws last for 10 years unless revoked or renewed earlier. Local Law 17 was introduced in 2015 and this review ensures that the law is relevant and working as intended.

For more detailed information about the new Community Local Law 2024 and to review the specific clauses, please visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au

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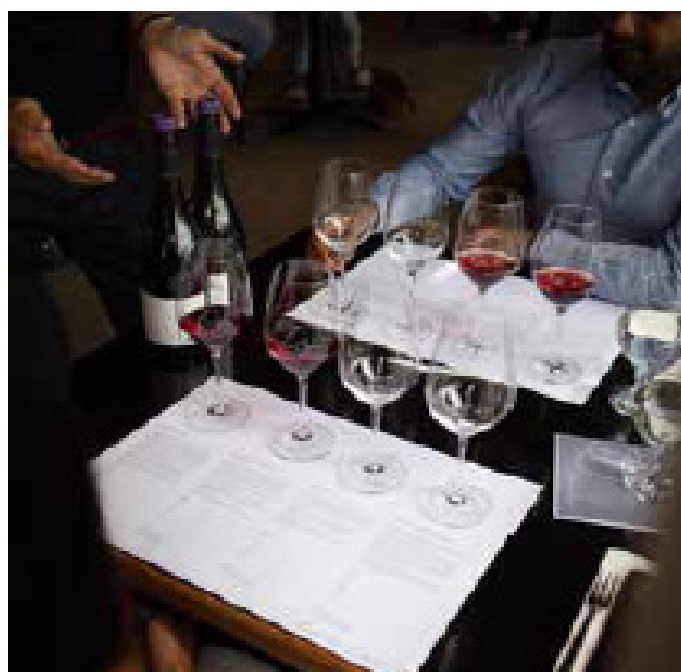
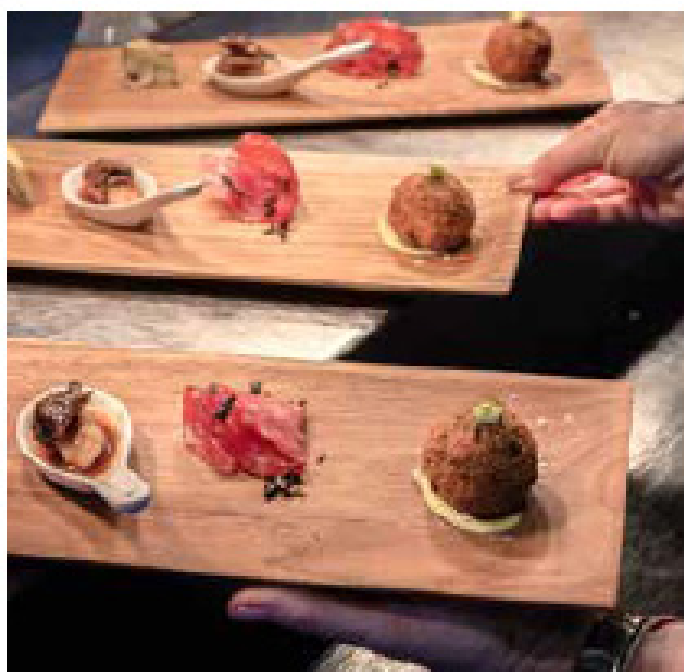
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- Next meeting: **Aug 19, Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18**
- **Fourth Tuesday:** NNG Progress Association meet bi-monthly at the St John's Community Centre at 7pm
- Next meeting: **Aug 27, Oct 22**
- **Tuesday fortnightly:** Euchre Club at Community Centre, 8pm
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- Next meeting: **Aug 13, 27, Sept 10, 24, Oct 8, 22**
- **Fourth Wednesday:** Pakenham Camera Club meets at the Community Centre of Meadowvale Retirement Village, Eagle Drive, Pakenham at 7.30pm
- Next meeting: **Aug 28, Sept 25, Oct 23, Nov 27**
- **Every Thursday:** Scouts meet at the Scout Hall in Spencer St, 7pm - 9pm & Joeys meet 5.30pm - 6.30pm.
- **Every Thursday night:** Bingo at the Community Centre. Eyes down 7.30pm / 8.00pm.
- **Fourth Friday:** Acoustic Folk Music at St John's, 7.30pm. Contact Michael on 0408 357 669
- Next Meeting: **Aug 23, Sept 27, Oct 25, Nov 22**
- **Second Saturday of month & 5th Saturday (if applicable):** Old Time Dance at Nar Nar Goon North Hall
- Contact Kaye on 5942 5411, Fred, Beryl on 5942 8246
- Next dance: **Aug 10 & 31, Sept 14, Oct 12, Nov 9 & 30**

CONTACT INDIVIDUAL CLUBS FOR DETAILS

Weekly Church Services:

- **Sunday:** St John's Holy Eucharist - 10am
St John the Baptist - 9:30am
St Joseph's - 11am



Thursday
Nar Nar Goon Primary School
11.00am - 12.00pm

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Community Contact List

Organisations	Contact	Phone No.
Adult Riding Club	Kate Holmes	0412 992 850
Chairo School	Fiona Clacy	5942 5632
Community Hall	Cardinia Shire	1300 787 624
Cricket Club	Nick Mueller	0437 365 376
Fire Brigade - Captain	Justin Seddon	0402 763 663
Football Club	Mick Keane	0418 570 176
Kindergarten	Brooke Johnson	5942 5287
BC/AC Landcare Group	Kate Holmes	0412 992 850
Local Councillor	Graeme Moore	0418 179 990
Nar Nar Goon Bingo	Sharon	0417 446 840
NNG History Group	Sue Rose	0411 241 849
Nar Nar Goon North Hall	Kaye Willis	5942 5411
Netball Club	Hanna Smith	0403 969 779
Pony Club	Kerry Harley	0407 646 092
Primary School	Jacqui Cutler	5942 5311
Recreation Reserve	Cardinia Shire	1300 787 624
R.S.L. - Secretary	Samantha O'Sullivan	0419 537 606
St. James School	Rebecca Roche	5942 5404
Scouts/Cubs	Olive Elston	0408 390 593
Vinnies Welfare Assistance Line	www.vinnies.org.au	1800 305 330

Rainfall 2024 / 2023

Please Note: Rainfall in parentheses are an average of the recorded amounts as recordings for these months were unable to be taken.

Month	Geoff L	Zoe	Geoff B	Geoff L	Zoe	Geoff B
January	154.80	120	144.60	52.60	41	(46.80)
February	25.8	22	26	47.80	44	(45.90)
March	13	7	10	84.60	69	(76.80)
April	144.2	132	126	104.20	88	(96.10)
May	39	(41.5)	44	109.60	90	100.40
June	56.2	79	38	93.40	80	81
July	170.40	136	138	44.80	50	33.20
August				62.80	60	50.50
September				74.60	56	52.20
October				154.4	98	122
November				96	104	(100)
December				163.4	128	138.8
Total	603.40	496	526.60	1088.2	908	804.90

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- The Nar Nar Goon Fire Station. (24 hour accessible)
(- - Available during hours of operating - -)
- Nar Nar Goon Primary School. (school hours only)
- St James Primary School (school hours only)
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