

NAR NAR GOON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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NAR NAR GOON COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

The Progress Association are in the early planning stages of the Community Christmas Festival. The festival will be returning to it's former home at the NNG Recreation Reserve and will be held on the 24th November (last Sunday in November.)

We're gathering a small committee to help share the load in planning. You don't need any experience, just a willingness to help. If you have it in you to lend a hand in any small or big way, then get in contact.

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The biggest ever Jackpot at Nar Nar Goon Bingo was won by Terri from Bunyip \$1700. Well done!

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28th November

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Nar Nar Goon Footy Club

PRIEMIERS FOR UNDER 12 GOON GIRLS



The Nar Nar Goon Under 12 Girls kept their unbeaten record this season, to become Premiers, in a thriller. It was a perfect day for football at Koo Wee Rup, on the 25th August, a mild day with the sun shining, and a slight breeze. There was a large crowd and the ground was abuzz with the excitement that only finals can bring.

The girls took to the field as the minor Premiers and unbeaten all season, to take on the Warragul Blues. It was a hard fought match, with the first goal being scored in the second term by the Blues. In the third term, Nar Nar Goon's first and only goal was scored by young gun Ava Delosa, after she snatched the ball out of the pack, swung around and kicked for home. There was jubilation on and off the field in the Nar Nar Goon camp.

After an inspirational speech by coach Dan at 3/4 time, the last quarter remained goalless, but Nar Nar Goon remained ahead on the scoreboard. The team worked hard to maintain possession of the ball, particularly in the last few minutes, and hung on to win the match by 4 points.

Final score NNG 1.5 to Blues 1.1



NNG Progress Association Meeting:
7pm, Tuesday 26th November

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.

For more information, please contact:
Lynne 0417 318 290 or Diane 0417 332 767

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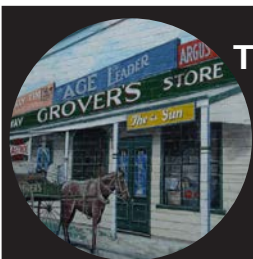
NNG HISTORY GROUP

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 27th September 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.

No need to book in - turn up with photos and stories.



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Goon's The Butcher with The Chef



Luke and Kylie from The Butcher with The Chef and their worthy awards. 1st place for Gourmet Open Class Sausage, 1st place for Best Butchers Burger Competition and 2nd place for their Poultry Sausage. Congratulations Luke & Kylie. If you're a regular at The Butcher with The Chef then you'll know it's not just burgers and sausages. There is loads of good stuff.

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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.

- **September 19** ~ Convicts and Exiles
- **October 17** ~ Crime and Punishment
- **November 21** ~ Military Records with a focus on World War Two

Gold coin donation appreciated. No bookings required.
More information – Jane 0412 084 671 or Heather 0407 521 637



Light Horse & Field Artillery Museum Needs You!

Remember with gratitude the men and women who served for us.

Purchase a brick inscribed with your own personal message of remembrance and help re-open the museum.
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The museum has been an icon for many years and the Dingle family have worked hard to maintain the true character of its time. They are seeking our support with their fund-raiser "Brick Appeal". If you can help in any way with this appeal please contact Edward Dingle.

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Ridgelea - Stage 4 - Construction Update

Please find attached recent photos of works at Ridgelea. Stage 2 works are now mostly complete and the underground services on Stage 3 complete with works underway on roads, footpaths, and crossovers.

- Stage 2 crossovers are mostly complete, please review engineering and aerial image;
- Stage 3 crossovers will occur shortly, please review engineering.

Significant work is underway on the future intersection which is the critical path for Title Registration on initial stages.

Intersection update and image below:

- A huge amount of servicing re-alignment and new connections have occurred along and underneath the Princes Highway;
- With most servicing complete, extensive bulk earthworks for the new intersection has occurred (Hours were unfortunately restricted to 9.30am to 3.00pm daily).
- The lefthand side of image, shows a new Dore Road connection is formed and ready for asphalt in the coming weeks. The removal of the existing Dore Road connection will disappear.
- Title Registration is looking possible with a left-in and left out arrangement, subject to approvals. This is being worked through with VicRoads and Council meaning Title Registration could occur around-October for stage 2, with stage 3 to follow. We will continue to communicate this as Q4 2024.



A few weeks ago, we shared an update to buyers within stage 2 and 3, and whilst progress at Ridgelea is relatively good, progress on stage 4 is under pressure:

- Original Forecast March / April 2024.

- Then Q3 2024, possibly Q4 (revised August 2023).
- Now March 2025. We received a revised schedule last week and subsequently engaged with most active builder partners. Not all, but some have confirmed the delay will not change builder pricing (Please check with your chosen builder and pass this communication on).
- Latest Plan of Sub and Engineering attached.

This stage has been impacted with delays associated with crossing the gas main (Beach Energy), seen in image #1 attached. Furthermore, Approved Plans with Authorities and Local Council incurred numerous reiterations (5 to 6, each adding approximately a month per submission). Stage 4 has sewer and drainage works commencing this week, and commencement was linked to the progress on the intersection, knowing it was the critical path to Title Registration.

Negotiations with VicRoads are looking favourable to have stage 2 and 3 released with a "left-in, left out" intersection however stage 4 will require the full signalised intersection, and this schedule has pushed to March unfortunately.

Our Project Team have been looking at all options with the consultant team to make up lost time, however at the same time we want to be transparent.

We are disappointed sharing this news with you, not meeting our own expectations, however, want to ensure you are up to date with relevant and realistic timeframes and forecasts.

Communication for stage 6 and 9 has always been around March 2025, this is on schedule.

Parklea



NNG History Group

Last month 20 members enjoyed Graeme Moore's stories about his family life and finding a property to settle in NNG about 40 years ago. He also shared stories of his service to our community as a Shire Councillor for 14 years. He's a man of many talents and finished with a guitar recital - a skill he developed in his time at school.

Graeme noted that to be a Councillor you needed to be a showman and a salesman. Today's presentation supported that he does have both these skill sets.

A more detailed story of Graeme's journey through life in NNG and as a Shire Councillor will be sent to you in the coming weeks. It will also be printed in an upcoming Goon News.

Many thanks to Graeme for a very entertaining presentation and for his 14 years of service as a Shire of Cardinia Councillor for our community. Thanks to our Mayor Cr Jack Kowarzik for coming along to support Graeme and formally thank him in this forum for his great service as a Councillor for so many years.

New faces to our group today included Winsome Anderson and Les Francis. Welcome to you both.

Les has purchased a house at 19 Station street in NNG and has enjoyed researching the history of the property which was built in 1948. He has certainly chosen to live in a NNG street with history where Gilmartins and in turn Gary McGrath had the local store and where the famous explosion of the NNG pub happened in the early 1970s.

Don't forget the October 25th NNG History group bus tour of the KWR swamp. Starts from NNG recreation reserve at 9.30am, returning at 1:30pm. I'll contact you all early October to get your interest in booking for the trip. NNG Progress Association has subsidised the bus. Cost is \$15pp which includes morning tea. The general public will be offered any spare seats. They will be advertised through the goon News in October.

NNG History Group

History of the Kennelly Family. Part 2

Danny Kennelly

Our great grandfather, Daniel Kennelly, came to Australia from Shanagolden 1852 after the 'potato famine' in Ireland. He lived in Canvas Town near where the Shrine of Remembrance now stands and Princes Bridge. He was a skilled builder and carpenter and in theory and practice, could turn his hand to many pursuits. Unlike most of his peers, he could read and write fluently. I visited Shanagolden in Ireland in 1978 as a back packer and was welcomed by many relations there.

Daniel married Bridget Frawley, whose family had also come from Ireland in about 1850 and lived in Canvas Town. He built a house at 7 Green St, South Melbourne in 1872, where he laid bluestone pavers in the backyard and in local streets. He and Bridget lived there and had four sons. Daniel and James died in infancy. Maurice and Jeremiah survived. Jeremiah, born 1879, was our grandfather.

As boys, Jeremiah and Maurice milked cows in their backyard before and after school and sold the milk in cans around the streets. They walked the cattle to and from the swamp, which was later drained to become Albert Park Lake.

All six of us at different times spent school holidays at Green St with Dad's sister, Mary and her husband, Fred Sheridan in the 1950s and early 1960s. By the early 1960s Green St and surrounding streets were declared a designated slum area. All the houses were knocked down and replaced by Park Towers, the Housing Commission highrise flats, built from 1964 to 1969.

South Melbourne was a bastion of Irish faith and culture. Priests and bishops, mostly Irish, established the Catholic education system and saw that it was used. Education had been denied to many in Ireland, so this was a priority.

Jeremiah Kennelly, Known as Bob, married Mary Dalton, the eldest of 10 children, in June 1911. They lived in Montague St, South Melbourne and later moved back to Green St after Jeremiah's mother was widowed.

As a boy Jeremiah spent weekends and school holidays with his Frawley and Kelly cousins at North Nar Nar Goon and Mt Shamrock north of Pakenham. He developed a love of farming and was determined to one day purchase land in the area. In 1918 he bought 80 acres from F.H. Moore in Browning Rd on the west side, and in 1921 he bought 68 acres from the Browning family across the road.

Jeremiah and Mary's children, Dan, Pat, Maurice, Mary and Tom started school aged seven at St Peter and Paul's South Melbourne. All were doing well when they had to leave school earlier than planned because their father had lost money during the

kennelly family cont'...

Depression, a common story. Maurice was dux of his Grade 5 class of 60 boys and won a scholarship to continue his schooling with the Christian Brothers, but with the onset of the Depression, the government cancelled all scholarships.



Photo (L-R): Maurice, Pat and Dan Kennelly

Dan Kennelly, like his grandfather, Daniel, was in theory and practice able to turn his hand to many pursuits. He attended Parade College, East Melbourne after primary school and had hopes of becoming an architect. At the start of the Depression he applied for a job with the Public Service, but it is unclear if he worked there, since no new staff were being employed and existing staff took a ten percent pay reduction. He came to the 80-acre property at Nar Nar Goon in 1931 when he was about 18, living in a tent initially, then in the two roomed hut vacated by Joe Halstead who retired. He had been looking after Jeremiah's sheep.



Photo: Youngest brother, Tom at the hut.

Maurice joined Dana year later. Pat stayed occasionally in between his other activities. They milked a few cows by hand from 1931 and Pat sheared a few sheep and got a bit of money for the wool. They cleared acres in the hut paddock for crops and started clearing Browning's paddock across the road. Through Jeremiah's brother, Maurice, who was a manager at Vaughans' Transport in Footscray, three horses and a big dray were loaned as they were not

being used due to the Depression.

Their mother Mary came to look after the boys permanently in 1940. Jeremiah came every weekend until his retirement from the Melbourne City Council in 1952, when he lived here full time. The family maintained strong connections with South Melbourne.



Photo left: Kennelly family Browning Road late 1930s.

(L-R): Mary, Tom, Jeremiah, Mary, Pat, Maurice, Dan

Photo right: Mary Kennelly with first grandchild, Brian. 1948.



Photo left: Maruice 1930s. Photo right: Haystack 1930s

Dan soon became involved in the local community, supporting many causes, especially those later involving his nieces and nephews. He took up bowls and was President and Secretary of the Garfield Bowls Club for many years. He was an important part of our family.



Photo: Dan built our family house.

Pat Kennelly left school during the Depression and began wool classing with New Zealand Loan aged 14

kennelly family cont'...

in 1928 at Newmarket sale yards. Wool classing required a lot of skill and responsibility. The work took him to the Western District and East Gippsland. He visited and worked on the family farm during the offseason before becoming a full-time farmer in 1948. Much of his pay went into the farm.

Pat supported many local causes. He was a nominee for Cardinia Shire Senior Citizen of the Year in the 1980s. He helped to settle Dutch families after WW11, sometimes as share farmers. He was a foundation member of the Berwick and Pakenham Historical Society. He supported many Sale Diocese Priests in their roles, especially in the Iona Parish. He was kind to many people in need. Like Dan, Pat was an important part of our family.



Maurice 1983

Maurice came to Nar Nar Goon at the end of the school year 1932 just before his 14th birthday. He farmed full time continuously up to the late 1940s. Industrious, methodical, adaptable, clean and tidy were qualities associated with Maurice's employment positions, which included milk process worker, store warehousing, and maintenance/curator at Marist Sion College Warragul. He would like to have been a full-time farmer, but the farm could not support all the family.

His contribution to the local community included serving on the Nar Nar Goon Hall Committee for 30 years, many of those as president and secretary and lengthy involvement in the Progress Association. With Jimmy Fortune and Ted Lehane, he planted all the trees along Spencer Street. He took part in cancer appeals and heart appeals. He played a key role in Nar Nar Goon obtaining mains water supply through ministerial representation by letter and in person in the early 1960s. As a grandson of Irish immigrants, he took a keen interest in politics from the working man's point of view. At one stage, John Cain Sr made representation for Maurice to be nominated as a Labor State Government candidate. He declined. He was a strong and committed Christian in practice and he demonstrated this in the home and in all his affairs.

He loved classical music and opera. Gilbert and Sullivan musical comedy was a great love of his life. He had an excellent singing voice and performed in local concerts. He took pride in his children's involvement and successes in sport, work and academic achievements. His 12 grandchildren brought him great joy.

When Maurice came to Nar Nar Goon, he furthered his education by having books sent up by train every fortnight from the Melbourne Library. He was known as a great orator.

Maurice worked at Dandenong factories including

GMH and AWG. He was a union representative working towards better conditions for his fellow workers, many of whom had come from war torn Europe. He often worked long days and on Saturdays getting overtime to pay school fees.

He taught by example and gave advice when wanted. Bridie Cunningham once invited Maurice and Tess to a match making dinner, which led to their first outing together at the Garfield Picture Theatre travelling by horse and jinker. A successful proposal followed.



Photo (L-R): Tom Kennelly, Maurice Kennelly, Tess Kennelly (Cox) Mary Smith. Page boy: Phonse Cunningham. Flower girl: unknown. 8th April 1947.

Tess was a Saint in my eyes. India might have had their Mother Teresa, but Nar Nar Goon had theirs. She grew up without a family and not knowing who her parents were. Her Christian faith was her mainstay, but it manifested itself in practical living. She was regarded as loving, caring, generous and hardworking and was always grateful for her life in Nar Nar Goon.



Photo: Tess about 1980.

Bet told the story of Tess's early life and her place in the Nar Nar Goon community in Kennelly History Part 1.

kennelly family cont'...

Growing up in Nar Nar Goon was the best place: strong family, genuine people, sacrifice and hard work, sharing, humour, music, laughter, common good, sport and recreation, faith, hope and love. I believe the solid foundations of the family and community here set the Kennelly children up for life.

Leo: memories of Nar Nar Goon and the Browning Rd farm

My memories go back to when I was four or five walking into the dark, old farmhouse on Browning Road. The toilet was 40 metres out the back under the peppermint gum. I hated using that toilet with all the spiders crawling around. In the end it blew over in a storm. Luckily by then, 1960, Nana, (Mary Kennelly) Uncle Dan and Uncle Pat were living in their new house on the farm, built in 1960. School holidays were my favourite time when I could go out to the farm with Uncle Dan and Uncle Pat. I remember Uncle Dan building a new wagon for hay carting. He designed it so that it exactly fitted three hay bales across. He probably used an old axle and timber that was lying around. He could do anything on the farm. I'd help with the usual farm chores. I first drove the tractor during hay carting at the age of 10 under Brian's close supervision. Uncle Dan would supervise in the paddock, but Uncle Pat kept a close eye on the haystack. We had to bind the corners so that, in six months' time, they never developed a lean, which could cause the whole stack to become unstable. Our horses, Chessie and Mac, were usually in the old orchard and I loved riding them.



Photo left: (L-R) Chessie: Carmel, Terry, Leo. Standing: Brian, Bet, Leo. 1956.

Photo right: Maurice 1930s



Photo left: Dan 1930s. Photo right: Pat 1930s

I was the last of us to be around during the school holidays, being the youngest, so I got to do extra things. I often went with Uncle Pat to the stock market in Dandenong on a Tuesday. He'd sell a couple of bull calves and when we went to the office to do the

paperwork, he'd sometimes tell the agent to record one in my name. It was a thrill to get a \$20 cheque in the mail a few days later. Dad bought a couple of paddocks adjoining the farm in the 1960s. He bought a few flocks of sheep over a couple of years, probably from the Dandenong Stock Market. They would arrive by train in livestock wagons, which would be left at the railway siding opposite our house. Dad would line us up at various positions between the railway line and the main street and we'd herd the flock through the town to Browning Rd and the farm. He later switched the route to Carney St, through our driveway and the two-sided garage, along Spencer St, through the recreation reserve to Browning Rd. We were all used to herding cattle, so Dad must have trusted us or banked on the sheep following their leader. I don't remember any problems.

Dad also grew a few crops of peas, which we picked and bagged for market. He paid us a small hourly rate. We quickly learnt that the market price could vary from good to virtually nothing from week to week during the season.

I started the equivalent of Auskick in McGraths big backyard in Mulcare Streeton Saturday mornings in 1964 when I was eight. Two teams of boys living east or west of the main street played. We were called the Easts and the Wests in a competition known as the Fourths and we played against a couple of other clubs. Russell (Buzzy) Hughes and Ray McGrath coached us. We graduated from the back yard to the state school. When our grand final day arrived, they put temporary goal posts up in the middle of the footy ground for us to play. We got to change in the club rooms and run out through a banner onto the oval. That was pretty special. I still have the medallion presented to me by Brian as part of the winning team. He was playing with the firsts at the time.



Photo: Leo's medallion

kennelly family cont'...

In the cricket season, I'd go around to North's place in the main street after school to play cricket with a few boys. Les North played for Nar Nar Goon and he always played with us. We all played tennis for fun, but Terry, Dan, Bet and I played with the Nar Nar Goon Tennis Club, to which Mum belonged for many years. Carmel and Bet played netball and Brian played cricket. We walked out our back gate to the recreation reserve anytime we liked. Involvement in these sporting clubs gave us a good grounding in life. In 1965 the Browning Rd Waterline was established to link local farms to the newly installed mains water in the town. Herbie Thomas, who owned The Pakenham Gazette, came out to cover the story. As he was getting ready to take a photo, he looked at me sitting on the tractor seat and said to Uncle Pat, "It's probably not a good look to have Leo sitting in the tractor seat. Let's get him standing on the pipes."



*Photo: Leo, aged 10, and Pat Kennelly.
Picture taken by Pakenham gazette 1965.*

Mum worked at All States Growers and Packers, (now Red Gem) known as 'the spud factory', for about 17 years. Carmel worked there for a few months early in 1968 and Terry and I later worked there at different times. It was a great place to get a job in the town and Bill Doherty, the manager, ran the place well.

I was only there for six months. I started on the forklift, then worked mainly in the office, before I was asked to move to Melbourne to work at The Footscray Fruit and Vegetable Market. I was initially able to stay with Carmel in the flat she shared with other country girls near the South Yarra station. Bet later stayed there

while she was nursing at The Alfred. I met my future wife, Dianne Cudmore at the market, where she was working in the office of The Onion Board.

I was fortunate to grow up in our family and in Nar Nar Goon. Money was tight, but we never went without. I am really proud to say I grew up here, because it is a lovely place.

Nominations now open for Cardinia Shire's 2025 Australia Day Awards

Cardinia Shire Council is excited to announce that nominations are now open for the 2025 Australia Day Awards.

This is your chance to recognise and celebrate the outstanding contributions of individuals and community events that have made a significant impact on our community.

Award Categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year

The Australia Day Awards honour the exceptional efforts of citizens and community events that have enriched the Cardinia Shire community.

All community members are encouraged to consider nominating a deserving local volunteer and outstanding community events.

Nominees must be Australian citizens who live, work, or study in Cardinia Shire and have made a noteworthy contribution during 2024.

Additional eligibility considerations:

- Young Citizen of the Year: Nominees must be aged 25 or under on 26 January 2025.
- Senior Citizen of the Year: Nominees must be aged 70 years or over on 26 January 2025.
- Community Events: Must have been held between November 2023 and November 2024 at a physical location in Cardinia Shire or hosted online by a not-for-profit organization based in Cardinia Shire.
- Previous award winners are not eligible to win in the same category for at least 5 years.

For more information and to submit a nomination, visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/AustraliaDay

Nominations close at midnight on Monday 4 November 2024.



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Taking the time to be prepared

Taking steps to get prepared before the fire season. Reducing the vegetation around your home is one of the most important things you can do to keep your home safe in a bushfire.

Preparing your property key notes:

- Move your winter woodpile away from the house and sheds.
- Prune tree branches, so they are not overhanging the roof.
- Prune back plants and garden beds near doors and windows.
- Remove fallen leaves and twigs from around your property.
- Clean out gutters
- Keep grass shorter than 10cm.

Take the time to test any systems that are part of your fire plan

- Sprinklers
- Pumps
- Generators

Have you thought about emergency vehicle access to your property?

- Ensure your property number is clearly visible from the street.
- Gates and driveway entrances must be wide enough to allow emergency services vehicle access.
- Electric gates must be able to be opened manually in the event of power loss.
- When parking in a narrow street, make sure you allow enough clearance for emergency services vehicles.
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- When should I leave?
- Am I ready to go? What should I take with me?
- Who needs to know my plans?

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Just to name a few

If you answered YES to any of the above questions OR have burning questions of your own

Nar Nar Goon Fire Brigade are here to help answer all your questions and offer the advice to get you well and truly on your way to being confident in your preparedness in the event of a fire.

NOW THE HOW –

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO?

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Although the Fire Danger Period is still to be introduced in the region, residents should be aware of weather conditions along with Cardinia Shire Council Local Laws.

Cardinia Shire Council can be contacted on 1300 787 624

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Expressions of interest open for 2025-26 Community Capital Works Partnership Grants

Cardinia Shire Council has opened expressions of interest for Category 2 (Partnership Grants) as part of the 2025-26 Community Capital Works Grants Program. The Community Capital Works Grants Program assists community groups in improving community facilities, strengthening local networks and supporting community well-being. In Category 2 (Partnership Grants), grants of up to \$35,000 are available for capital works on council-owned or Crown land in Cardinia Shire, with contributions from applicants. Past grant recipients include the Koo Wee Rup Cricket Club, which secured grant funding for an LED electronic scoreboard, and the Gembrook Pre School Association which used grant funding to upgrade the children's bathroom. Applicants can express interest in the Partnership Grants online at <https://cardinia.smartygrants.com.au/>. Expression of interest applications will close 5pm, Tuesday, 3 December 2024. Formal applications for the 2025-26 Community Capital Works Grants program (including supported Category 2 Partnership Grants applications) will be open from January to March 2025. For more information, including project and applicant eligibility, or to apply for our community grant programs, visit Council's website at www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/grants or call the Connected Communities Team on 1300 787 624.

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11am-1pm

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400A Belgrave-Gembrook Road
Emerald

This event is for people 18+.
Registration is essential.



For more information and to register go to www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/wasteworkshops



Free green waste drop-off for storm impacted residents

To support residents impacted by the recent storms, Cardinia Shire Council is providing an additional free green waste drop-off event in Lysterfield.

This transfer station will be accepting residential amounts of green waste including tree branches and trunks (up to 30 centimetres wide and 1 metre long), weeds, grass clippings, leaves, and flowers.

Event details:

Date: Tuesday 10 to Sunday 22 September

Location: Cleanaway Resource Recovery Centre (840 Wellington Rd, Lysterfield)

Opening hours: 7:30am – 3:30pm weekdays, 8:30am – 11:30am weekends

Residents must present photo ID as proof of residence within Cardinia Shire to access the free service.

Waste will only be accepted from residential vehicles and trailers; commercial business operators cannot use this service.

Any residents who have spoilt food waste as a result of the recent power outages can dispose of food in additional Council bins provided at Gembrook,

Cockatoo, Emerald and Garfield Recreation Reserves. For more info, go to www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/dropoff. For more info on other ways to manage your green waste in Cardinia Shire, go to www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/greenwaste

Cardinia Shire Seniors Festival is back in October 2024!

Seniors in Cardinia Shire can stay active, explore new activities, and make new friends at the upcoming Seniors Festival.

Happening across the state throughout October, the Victorian Seniors Festival engages, connects and celebrates seniors in our community.

This year's theme is 'Explore. Engage. Evolve.' and what better way to stay curious and connected than by taking part in free and low-cost events and activities hosted and/or supported by Cardinia Shire Council.

More information on statewide events available at www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/festival-calendar.

For more information visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/seniorsfestival or www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/victorian-seniors-festival.

Cardinia Shire Council local government elections will be held in October by postal vote.

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VOTE 1

Authorised by A.Pomeroy, 205 Nine Mile Road, Tynong VIC 3813

Alanna Pomeroy has officially announced her candidacy for the upcoming local government election in the Bunyip Ward. Running as an independent, Alanna aims to bring fresh leadership and a focus on responsible governance to Cardinia Shire Council.

Committed to guiding the region's future growth responsibly, Alanna's children are the sixth generation of Scanlon's to call this region home, giving her plenty of local insight. Alanna and her children have both been educated at Nar Nar Goon kinder and St James Primary School and she continues to volunteer locally.

Alanna has been impressed by the progress over recent years in Nar Nar Goon, especially projects that have been driven by dedicated volunteers and community members. She looks forward to working

with local groups and individuals to help secure the infrastructure and services Nar Nar Goon needs.

Focus areas include road and drainage maintenance, local jobs and fostering vibrant, connected towns where all community members can thrive. This includes making sure that the right infrastructure is funded and that the town has a clear direction for its future.

With experience in leadership roles, including serving on the boards of the Pakenham Racing Club and St James Primary School, Alanna brings strong decision-making and clear communication skills to Council.

To find out more about why Alanna is standing for Council visit:
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Smarter solution for household waste

At least 95 per cent less waste will go into landfill from nine councils in Melbourne's south east, under a smarter solution for dealing with household waste.

Nine councils have banded together to enter a Waste Supply Agreement with Maryvale EfW Project Co Pty Ltd (a consortium between Veolia Australia and New Zealand, Opal Australian Paper, and Masdar Tribe Australia) to send waste to an advanced waste processing facility in Maryvale in Victoria's Latrobe Valley.

The nine councils (Bayside City Council, Cardinia Shire Council, City of Casey, City of Greater Dandenong, Frankston City Council, Kingston City Council, Knox City Council, Whitehorse City Council, Yarra Ranges Shire Council) are shareholders in South East Metropolitan Advanced Waste Processing (SEMAWP) Pty Ltd, a company created by the councils for the purpose of this procurement.

With household waste in Melbourne's south east projected to increase by 40 per cent by 2046, alternatives to landfill need to be found. The last remaining landfill in the south east of Melbourne will close in the next few years. This project will ensure that residents' waste is used to create a valuable energy source for an important industry in the Latrobe Valley.

The Maryvale Energy from Waste (EfW) facility will be adjacent to the existing Opal Australian Paper Maryvale Mill, and the paper mill will utilise the combined heat and power from the EfW facility. Councils will deliver waste to a transfer station planned for construction in Melbourne's south east, where it will be prepared for bulk transfer to Maryvale EfW. Energy from waste facilities are being used safely and reliably in metropolitan areas around the world, including in the United Kingdom, Europe, Asia and North America.

Modern, best-practice advanced waste processing facilities have strong safety track records and are designed to meet strict emissions standards, with real-time emission monitoring to make sure they meet strict air quality standards.

In Victoria, they are regulated by the Environment Protection Authority Victoria and Recycling Victoria such that EfW facilities must be appropriately located, constructed and operated according to strict regulations that minimise risks to the environment and people.

The contract term for the Waste Supply Agreement will

be for 25 years. Mr Cummins said this would provide cost certainty and waste processing security to participating councils.

About SEMAWP Pty Ltd

The nine councils taking part in the project have set up a company called South East Metropolitan Advanced Waste Processing (SEMAWP) Pty Ltd to work together to deliver an advanced waste processing alternative to landfill.

By forming a single entity, the councils strengthen their influence on the economic, environmental and social outcomes of the project.

SEMAWP is like many other companies, it is governed by a constitution and reports to a board of directors.

Each participating council is bound by a shareholders' agreement and has an equal share in SEMAWP. Having an equal share means each council has an equal say on how the contract is managed regardless of the size of the council and the amount of household waste being supplied.

SEMAWP exists only to manage the contract agreement for the advanced waste processing facility and cannot make decisions on other waste or council matters.

More information: A smarter solution to landfill – advanced waste processing - Cardinia Shire Council

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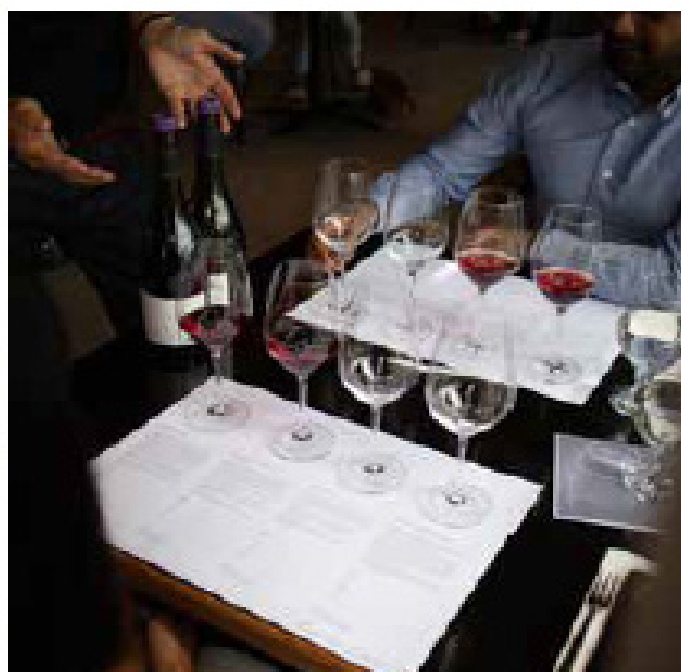
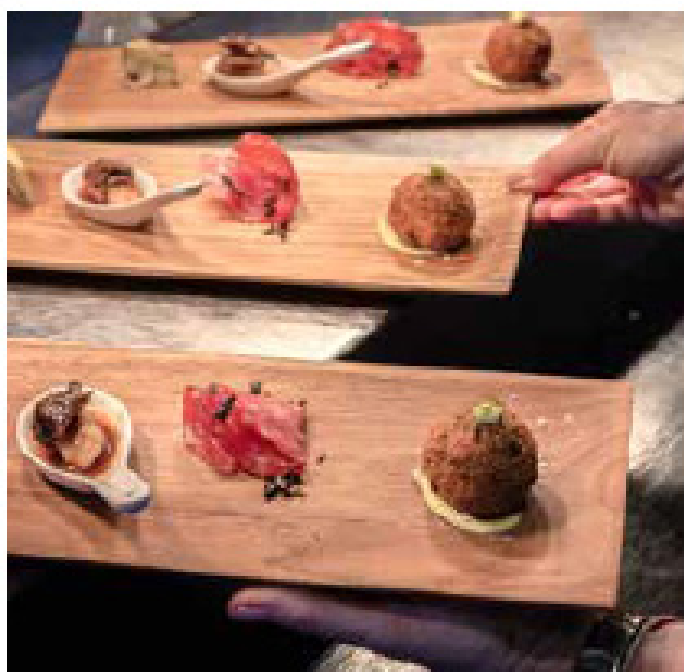
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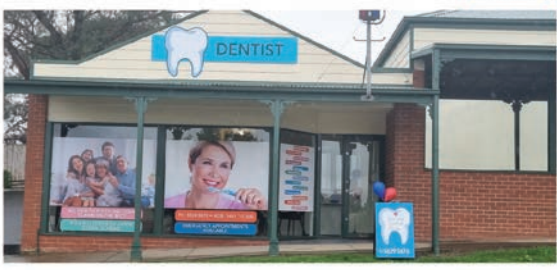
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- **Every Sunday morning:** CFA training
- **Every Monday evening:** CFA training / meetings
- **Third Monday:** Nar Nar Goon RSL Sub Branch meets at the Community Centre at 2pm
- Contact Samantha O'Sullivan on 0419 537 606
- Next meeting: **Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 16**
- **Fourth Tuesday:** NNG Progress Association meet bi-monthly at the St John's Community Centre at 7pm
- Next meeting: **Nov 26**
- **Tuesday fortnightly:** Euchre Club at Community Centre, 8pm
- Contact Jim Chatfield on 5942 5263
- Next meeting: **Sept 10, 24, Oct 8, 22, Nov 5, 19**
- **Fourth Wednesday:** Pakenham Camera Club meets at the Community Centre of Meadowvale Retirement Village, Eagle Drive, Pakenham at 7.30pm
- Next meeting: **Sept 25, Oct 23, Nov 27, Dec 25**
- **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: **Sept 27, Oct 25, Nov 22, Dec 27**
- **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: **Sept 14, Oct 12, Nov 9 & 30, Dec 14**

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
- **Saturday:** Mass at St. James - 6pm

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Organisations	Contact	Phone No.
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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
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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	25.80	22	26	47.80	44	(45.90)
March	13	7	10	84.60	69	(76.80)
April	144.20	132	126	104.20	88	(96.10)
May	39	(41.50)	44	109.60	90	100.40
June	56.20	79	38	93.40	80	81
July	155.40	136	138	44.80	50	33.20
August	35	26	16.40	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	623.40	522	543	1088.2	908	804.90



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