

NAR NAR GOON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

THE GOON * NEWS

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Save the Date!
**Nar Nar Goon Community
Christmas Festival**
- Sunday 30th November -



The Nar Nar Goon Progress Association with the support of the Nar Nar Goon CFA will be once again hosting the Community Christmas Festival at the Nar Nar Goon Recreation Reserve!

Enjoy an evening of fun with raffle prizes, live entertainment, face painting, free kids crafts & activities, NNG Fire Brigade, visit from Santa with presents and lollies, fireworks and food to purchase (sausages, soft drink, zooper doopers).

We will be promoting the event on Facebook as well as the Nar Nar Goon Progress Association Facebook page. You will soon see raffle tickets for sale around the Goon for your chance to win some awesome prizes which will be showcased on the Facebook page in the lead up to the event.

Keep an eye on the NNG Progress Association Facebook page for further information or get in touch via messenger or email:
goonnews3812@gmail.com
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Remembrance Day
Tuesday 11th November

Meet at the Memorial Park at around 10:45am to participate and observe 1 minute silence at 11am marking the end of World War 1.

**** see page 6 for more information**

Next History Group Meeting:

• Friday, 24th October,
9am - SWAMP TOUR

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If you'd like to join the History Group just turn up at one of the meetings where you'll be added to the mailing list. There is no cost to be a member and you are sure to know some or many of the faces attending.

NNG Progress Association AGM
28th October 2025 at 6:30pm

**NNG Op Shop Community Room,
Main St Nar Nar Goon.**

New to the town or just want to get involved. Experience is not necessary. Come along to the AGM. All welcome!

GOON NEWS DEADLINES:

*Next Deadline for submissions will be the
30th OCTOBER*

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**** 🍷 Bottle Shop Hours: ****

- ** Monday to Tuesday: ** 2 PM - 9 PM

- ** Wednesday to Sunday: ** 12 PM - 10 PM

**** 🍴 Meals Available (Wednesday to Sunday): ****

- ** Lunch: ** 12 PM - 2:30 PM

- ** Dinner: ** 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**** Takeaway Available ****

**** 🎉 Function Room: ****

- ** Available for hire **

- Perfect for events, celebrations and gatherings.

**** 📶 Stay Connected: ****

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for the latest updates and promotions!



Marygoon Cricket Club

The Marygoons are all set for another huge season of cricket! This year we're proud to have three senior teams and three junior teams ready to take on the CCCA.

After some exciting finals appearances last season, coach Jay Riley is looking forward to taking the club to the next level.

"We've had brilliant numbers at training, and the boys looked good in our warm-up matches. On the eve of the season, we're ready to hit the ground running," Riley said.

It's not just about the cricket either — we've got some great social events lined up across the season, so make sure to keep an eye out for updates.

The Goon is ready to go — bring on season 25/26!

Go Goon



Nar Nar Goon Maryknoll Cricket Club

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP \$70 **HOT SALE**

JOIN THE BEST MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM THAT YOU DIRECTLY BENEFIT FROM

Sign up Today!!

6th drink is free

Includes a club beanie and club stubby holder

Ends 2/10/25

« \$75 FOR THE SEASON »

Sign up at the bar or contact the club

2025/26

Mandy Van Eyk (née Dore)

It's with great sadness that we share with you all that Mandy Van Eyk (née Dore) passed away, 28th September. Mandy has bravely battled cancer over the last 4 years. She was 54 years old. She was a member of our History Group, attending earlier last year.

Our thoughts are with her husband and children and all the Dore family, particularly Jenny and Johnny who are members of the NNG History Group.

NAR NAR GOON

BINGO

COMMUNITY CENTRE - SPENCER STREET, NAR NAR GOON
Every Thursday Night • Eyes Down 7.30pm • www.narnarngoobingo.org.au

EVERY THURSDAY!

Community Hall, Nar Nar Goon (opposite primary school)

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY, COME AND HAVE A PLAY AND WIN !!

EYES DOWN at 7.30pm

EVERY THURSDAY!!!

Books on sale from 6:30pm for the 1st session and 8.00pm for the 2nd / 3rd session / flyers

- **1st SESSION** (\$2 books)
- **2nd / 3rd SESSION** (\$4 books)
- **2 BINGO FLYERS** (\$1/\$2 Ducks, Big Bucks)
- **RAYS RAFFLES** (\$2 tickets)
- **1st Number-Last Number** (\$1 tickets)

(Win \$50 or a meat tray from The Butcher With The Chef)
(Win up to \$1000 JACKPOT in the last game)
(Win up to \$20,000 in linked Big Bucks bingo)
(Win \$100 bingo voucher last Thursday of the month)

Canteen available with complimentary tea/coffee/milo before last session. Cooled/heated venue. EFT available. Must be 18yrs or older. A Non Profit Organisation here all profits go to local clubs/organisations.

Any Questions call Sharon ph: 0417 446 840

BINGO Gift Vouchers



HOT SPOT - from your friendly fire brigade

SPRING IS HERE

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.
- Drivers must not park within one metre of a fire hydrant.

WHAT ABOUT A PROPERTY ADVICE SERVICE VISIT

Here at Nar Nar Goon Fire Brigade we are passionate about keeping our community safe!

DO YOU EVER WONDER.....

- How do I keep my family and home safe from fire?
- How do I prepare my home and property?
- When should I leave?
- Am I ready to go? What should I take with me?
- Who needs to know my plans?

- Will anyone come and help me?

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?

If you feel that you would benefit from this service, pick up the phone and contact our Brigade Captain Justin on the contact details below. Justin will pass on your details to one of our 3 fully trained and qualified Property Advice Visit Service Facilitators, who will be able to make a suitable convenient time to walk you through step by step and offer advice on practical ways to prepare your property from a FREE comprehensive package designed by the CFA. This package gives you the opportunity to learn more about property clearing, water tank fittings, LPG gas tank storage, where to find warnings and advice updates and understanding these warnings, leaving early emergency kits, action plans for pets and livestock and how to build a bushfire plan and much much more.

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

If you feel volunteering is for you, contact Captain J.Seddon 0402 763 663.

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8.00 til 11.30

\$8.50 admission
(includes supper)

5th Saturday if applicable

(ladies please bring a
plate of supper to share)



Live Music
3 piece band
All welcome



Nar Nar Goon North Hall
(cnr Dore & Bessie Creek Road)

Enquiries Phone Kaye 0407 343 754



Become an L2P Mentor — Help Young Drivers in Cardinia Shire

Not all young people have access to a car or a supervising driver. The **TAC L2P Program** helps learners under 21 gain the **120 hours** they need for their licence — boosting safety, confidence, independence, and future opportunities.

Since 2010, **over 80 young people** have benefited from KRHS's L2P Program, and we want to keep the momentum going!

We're looking for mentors who:

- Are **21+ with a full driver's licence**.
- Can spare **2-3 hours per week**.
- Want to **make a positive difference** in their community.

What we provide:

- A **car, fully insured and fuelled**.
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Ready to start?
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Nar Nar Goon RSL Sub Branch

NAR NAR GOON RSL INVITES LOCALS FOR 2025 REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

With Remembrance Day just around the corner, we invite the Nar Nar Goon community to once again come together to commemorate this important date in our calendar.

Members of the Nar Nar Goon RSL will place hundreds of handcrafted poppies that have been donated from many generous locals as well as prepare boxes of poppies and Remembrance Day badges to place out in the community. Our Nar Nar Goon RSL Memorial Park on the corner of Carney Street will come alive once again and adds some brightness to the town.



Remembrance Day commemorates the armistice signed between the Allies and Germany at Compiègne, France, to mark the end of the war on the Western Front, after four years of bitter fighting. This took effect at 11:00am—the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month."

This year, Nar Nar Goon RSL will hold a Remembrance Day observance service on Tuesday 11th November 2025, and invite all locals including RSL members, families of veterans, local schools and businesses to come down to the Memorial Park at around 10:45am to participate, and then observe a minute's silence at 11:00am marking the end of World War 1. If you cannot attend in person, we encourage you to observe a minute's silence wherever you may be at the time.

If you would like to get involved it's not too late! We will also happily continue to accept hand-made poppies throughout October and beginning of

November - please contact us via our Facebook page if you require patterns or need a drop off point. We are also happy to accept any old knitting needle donations as these are what our members are placing the poppies on in the gardens!



We also encourage our local schools to have students make poppies at school from coloured card or patty pans, and create displays on their lawns or gates. Local businesses are welcome to contact us for Poppy posters or to add poppies to their lawns or windows.

Our RSL Poppy Appeal poppies and badges will also be available for sale at local businesses, Cloughs service station, or at the Cardinia Coles shopping centre supported by our local cadet unit.

In appreciation of our community,
Lest We Forget.

NAR NAR GOON RSL

GOON'S GOODS

Free sharing station for fruits and vegetables.
You don't need to give to take, help yourself to whatever you like and drop off whatever surplus you have when you have it!

Located at Kindergarten entry.

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NNG History Group

It was wonderful to see around 50 people today fill St John's church to hear Geoff Dore and his cousin Robert Dore share the stories of their side of the Dore family. Their fathers Tom and Greg were brothers. Their grandfather Johns Gregory Dore JG was born in 1881 at the Oaks. This is the land now compulsorily acquired to build the train maintenance complex that occupies the site today.

JG bought 308 acres known as the White Swamp on the corner of Bald Hill Road and Mt Ararat Road now known as Oakview Lane.

Tom and Greg started their lives in NNG and raised families here, but both eventually left the area - Tom to farm in Dunkeld and Greg to farm in Benalla.

There's much much more to this side of the Dore family story. You'll find the story in the November edition of the Goon News.

The other side of the Dore family - children of Des and Dos will present to our group early next year.

Thanks to both Geoff and Robert and the supportive families around them who helped compile the family story as we heard it today.

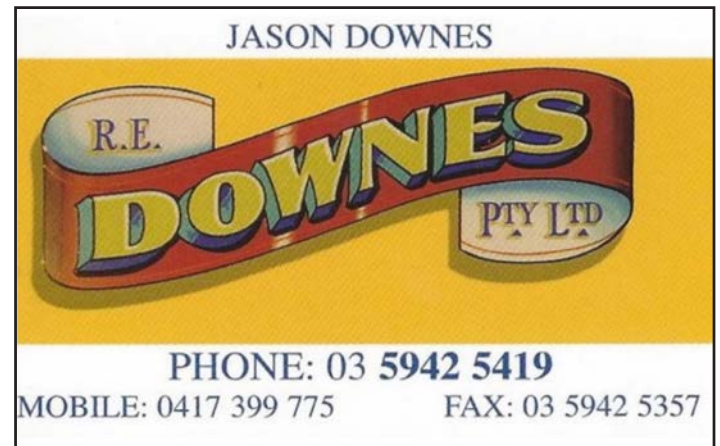
Photo: The extended Dore family at today's meeting. Who are they all? Read the November Goon News to find out.



Many thanks to Jason Downes for his presentation about the Downes Family story of life in Nar Nar Goon.

The Downes Family Story

presented by Jason Downes on 18.08.2025



Jason's great, great, great Grandfather was William James Downes. He was born in Tasmania in 1838. He married Dorothy Herd in 1873. They had one son named Gordon James who was Roy's father. They lived in Mt Korong which is between Bendigo and Charlton.

Gordon married Lizzie Adams in 1909 and moved to NNG to farm here. This was the beginning of the Downes family living in NNG. Apparently Gordon had a Blacksmith's shop on the site where the post office now stands. Jason said that this part of the story does need to be confirmed. They lived in the house on the site where Dorothy Flynn used to live. This original house was where Don and Roy Downes were born. Later, the original house was demolished and they built their own house on the same site.

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Roy was born in 1912 and went to the NNG school on the corner of the 7 Mile Road and Bald Hill Road which eventually did burn down. Roy (called Pop by Jason) said he got the blame for the fire! Roy achieved his Merit certificate at age 13 which was as far as you could go to, at school back then. The new school was built where it is today with land donated by the Fortune family.

Don went on to be a mechanical engineer in the navy and Roy went on to grow vegetables at various locations around NNG. They grew vegetables at Tynong where the 9 Mile business is now and on the right hand side of the Ararat Creek. Pop had a team of 4 horses where he used to cultivate the land and cart his vegetables. Paddy, Baldy, Jess and Belle were the 4 horses. They would cart the produce into NNG to the rail head where it then went to Melbourne by train with timber, milk and cream. The main agent for the produce was Mr. Lowen who Jason's Dad believes was a brother of Ozzie Lowen, who milked cows on the edge of NNG and later became the local milkman delivering by horse and cart every morning to the residents of NNG.

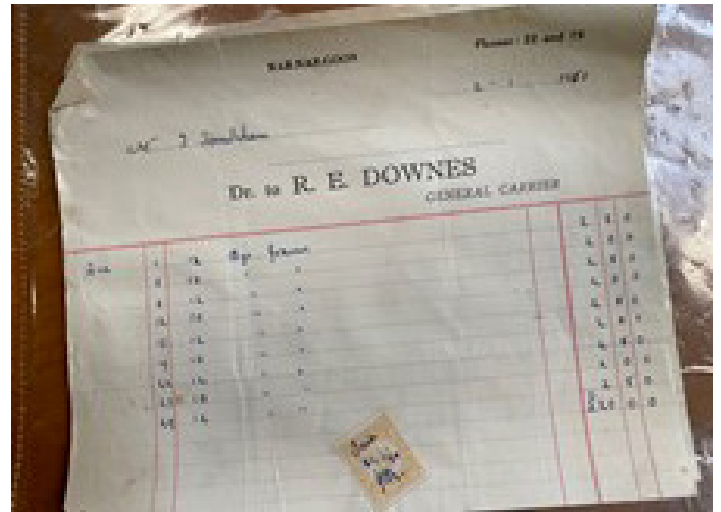
In 1927, Roy purchased his first truck and started the carrying business taking fruit and vegetable to the Vic Market in Melbourne. Initially he carried mainly his own produce which he grew in Tynong at Hewson's farm which was on the Ararat Creek. Roy over time increased his fleet and went to a 14 foot semi. Roy and his brother Don built, as far as they knew, the first double deck sheep crate. The first load was out of Chippendales where the current Pakenham Racecourse is now located. It did not even make it to the front gate before it collapsed! Roy branched out into carting Brewer's Grains from the Abbotsford Brewery to farms for cow feed around SE Gippsland and locally around NNG.

Photo: Pop with his horses



Michael Houlihan has given Jason some old invoices going back to 1949. He believes Mervyn Hughes was his first customer. The grains were all hand unloaded by shovel with 6 shovels full to one bag and was sold

by the bag. Jason remembers going with his Uncle Ted on the Brewer's Grains truck trips. Uncle Ted would put in 6 shovels full and then they would say "And we'll throw in one more for the bull!"



Roy and Don built a garage on the old Maryknoll site in NNG when Don had returned from navy service. Apparently that's where Ray did his apprenticeship. Roy also ran the Atlantic fuel depot from that site where everything was handled in 44 gallon drums. There was a fuel pump on site – the type you would pump the fuel by hand into the glass bowl. When it was full you'd push the lever and the fuel would drain into the vehicle.

Don and Ray then built the new and bigger garage opposite the hotel – where it still stands today. Roy's father Gordon had a 150 acre block on Moore Road, NNG North. Roy and Don inherited 75 acres each from their Dad. Roy used to cut wood off the block and deliver it into Melbourne.

Don married Vera and they lived in the yellow brick house next to the Catholic Church. That house has just been recently demolished. They had 2 children Ray and Dorothy.



Roy married Eva May Deering in 1937 and had 3 children. Barbara was born in 1938, Keith 1942 and Jimmy in 1946. When they were married they built a home next to the original block of his parents. Their home was built by a friend Frank Stainer, who was also the best man at their wedding. That house still

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stands today and was recently sold. Roy bought the farm opposite the property in the late 1940s or early 1950s and started growing vegetables there. Today, Jason's trucking business is on this site. It was the McIvor property.

Around this time they were building the new SEC camp at Morwell and Roy had a truck – a 3 ton Ford with a 25 foot semi. The truck would load fruit and vegetables at the front and back of the trailer, leaving space in the middle for chilled meat. The truck would proceed to Collins Street in Melbourne where the Cold Stores were located. They would load the chilled meat into stocking bags into the middle section of the trailer. Once it was loaded, it was not allowed to stop until it reached the Cook House at Morwell. This trip was repeated 3 times a week and driven by Don Gillard (married Joy Lehane, the baker's daughter), who used to live in NNG. They kept a spare motor for the truck and were experts on changing it over.

Photo: Ampol Roadhouse mid 1950s



In the mid 1950s, Roy built the Ampol Road house and weigh bridge on the highway. This was a haven for truck drivers for many years and at its peak, employed 22 people.

At the time the CRB (Country Roads Board) wanted a key to the weigh bridge so they could pull trucks off the highway at any time of the night and weigh them on Pop's weighbridge. Pop said no way known that was going to happen! Apparently he caused quite a few issues. The roadhouse was built mainly by Baden Spooner who was Roy's book keeper and Jack Bentley all with a little old cement mixer.

Roy was heavily involved in both the NNG Football and Cricket clubs. He was the President of the Garfield Bowling Club for quite a few years. He helped cart all the soil for the Garfield Bowling Club when they built it. He purchased the old NNG Racecourse on Racecourse Road from the Coombs family at one stage where he ran cattle on the land. On the block where Jason's trucking business is now, down the

back they used to store the Brewer's Grain. They had the ground dug out and they used to tip and pack the grain into the hole. It would keep for a long time under the ground. They would also store it in wire open silos so that when they couldn't get grain they would always have grain in storage.

Photo: 3 Generations - Jason, Rodney, Keith & Roy Downes



Some of the people who used to work for Roy in his carrying business included: Bill Brown, Albie Deering, Ted Deering, Wes Sherwell, Alf Waddell, Ron Collins, Angus Robinson, Joe Whitburn, Donny Gillard, Kevin Arnold, Jack Benthleigh, John Stratton, Tiger McGrath and Toby Kennedy. This list is by no means complete – just some of the names the family today could recall.

Nan (Eva) Downes was a Deering and she came from a history of moving around quite a bit with her family. She was from Tarwin Lower when Pop met her. Jason's Dad tells the story of when Pop went down to see her one day in one of his old trucks, the Tarwin River had flooded, so couldn't get to see her. Jesse was Eva's sister, and the brothers were Ted Deering and Albie Deering. Amazingly, all 4 of them ended up in NNG. Ted worked for Pop for many many years. He was a great man and used to run the dances in NNG in the old hall on Racecourse Road. His wife Auntie Margaret would play the organ and Uncle Ted would sing with a really powerful voice. On Uncle Don's side of the family, Jason doesn't have a lot of information. However, the people who have bought their house now have a box of "stuff" that Auntie Dorothy left, so they will hand the box onto Jason so he can find any family information in the box with a bit of luck.

Jason has a book of Pop's hand written memories over the years, some of which are shared later in this story. The book includes names of old employees and stories of the railways. There's a memory of Bill Maisie and the things that he had done.

Rodeo

Jason's Dad, Keith, loved horses and still does. The first rodeo in NNG was on the St John's Church side

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of the footy ground. There may have only been one rodeo there and then his Dad built a purpose built rodeo arena on his property. Back in the day they used to attract big crowds. Jason and his Dad were pick up men at the rodeos where you get the riders off the horses before they fell off after they've ridden time.

His Dad ran the roadhouse for quite a few years and Jason took the business over when he was 22 years old. He's 58 now, which means he's been running the business for 36 years. His Dad is up at Deniliquin running a Rice Hull business with around 15 trucks. Jason hopes he's not doing that sort of work at his Dad's age of 83.

Barbara, his Dad's sister passed away a few years ago and her husband Des Morris has also passed away. They built the house where Cheryl Eddyvane lives now. Des had an Agricultural Business involving hay baling and all that sort of stuff. Jason remembers Des's self propelled baler which he used to have fun with. Jason's Dad loaned a tractor to Des for a couple of weeks - that got pulled apart for spare parts and he's never seen it since!

Jimmy Downes moved his family from NNG to Cann River. He also ran trucks up until about 3 years ago when they gave it away. Now, Jason's cousin Tamara who lives in Nicholson, she and her husband have one truck at Bairnsdale. Jimmy has retired to Lakes Entrance. The Morris side of the family – Barbara's children, Glenice is in Perth, Leonie is in Shepparton and Mickey is in Inverloch. Jason's sister Yvonne lives in Willow Grove and his brother Rodney lives in Pakenham.

Jason lives on McCraw Road which was originally the Kooloos farm, where he's been for 24 years. He said it's good to be running the Downes business after all these years. It's a privilege.

When Jason took the business over at aged 22, there were a lot of older drivers in the business that would try and put it over you all the time. Jason can't remember how many people he sacked but it was a lot and he got a really bad name for himself! He had to get rid of them to bring new people in to get the business up and running to capacity. When he started, the business was on the highway where the Auto Electric business is today. This was the original Superphosphate shed where Des Morris used to have his Super stored for his agricultural business. Jason is surprised it's still standing after all the Super that has been stored there.

Subsequently Jason bought the block of 45 acres where he is now from his Pop's estate and built what he has today. His Dad said the block would never work because it was too wet, but Jason proudly says that he made it happen. The business has grown since then. He had 10 trucks up until 2 years ago when he

down sized the business. He has branched out into stockfeed now called "Charlie's Stockfeed" which Kate his daughter runs, with the view that down the track and in fact, it already is, the main part of the business. "Charlie's Stockfeed" has grown over the last couple of years. The business has been tough over the years and getting back to being really tough again as transport is cut throat. You cannot find good employees to drive your trucks.

Question: What are you going to do with the school house?

Jason has a permit to turn it into a museum, so once its finished they would like to display historical information from the town. He needs donations to get the building fixed up. It cost him a lot of money to get the old NNG school relocated to next to his trucking business. He agrees it needs to be finished. It's there for the community. He even offered the corner block where the school is located to the Shire of Cardinia to do the same as the museum in Pakenham but they were not interested.

Jason remembers coming back from the brewery with a load of brewer's grain on the old highway and parking on Carney's Hill where there's a parking bay. They would drop the bungs out of the back because there was so much juice in the grain and then it would run all the way down to the yard and keep running for hours.

He can remember Brian Kennelly, when he worked for Ian Koetsveldt, stopped in Tooradin one day and bought 2 bottles of coke. He opened the lids by popping them on the side view mirror. He's had lots of mechanical and people issues over the years. Examples are disgruntled drivers all over the country who would leave a truck at West Wyalong or Gilgandra without telling you. This was prior to mobile phones and the roadhouse would ring and say your truck has been here for a day or 2 and we've got the keys!

He had 3 trucks based in QLD over 10 years. The drivers would park up the trucks and go home. Mechanical problems were many with things like engines blowing up.

Today, Jason only has one truck on interstate. This driver does one trip a week to Brisbane and back, leaving Monday and home Friday. All the trucks are home on the weekends and there are no after hours calls. The changes over the years are that the trucks are a lot more comfortable, easier to drive and you don't have to change as many gears because of the horse power. The wages have improved a lot for the drivers. They get hammered by the National Vehicle Regulation NVHR people. There are no old type road houses left where you can go and have a nice meal and relax. You can't pull up unless there's a McDonalds or a Hungry Jacks. A lot of the drivers now take their own food. His interstate driver has a

downes family story cont...

Photo: Roy Downes

microwave in the truck so he can zap up his own meals. Alternatively you can go to a pub and have a meal – without beer! It's not easy! A can of coke is just not the same as a beer!

The camaraderie on the road is no longer there unfortunately. 95% of companies are on board with driving with log books and within the specified hours. There are so many cameras out there now. The big cameras on the freeway that go right across the top of the road can pull up a stone chip on the truck if your plates are covered and get that same stone chip on another camera elsewhere and match it up with your rego. You can't really do anything wrong. Working very long hours does not happen any more. Jason will never get an electric truck. He will burn fossil fuel until it's all gone!



Jason hopes this presentation has given us all some insight into the Downes family.



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Animal Mandala Digital Art Workshop

Join us for a creative hands-on and unwinding art session, where you will also gain digital skills to enhance your projects. Learn how to design your own animal themed mandalas using simple drawing techniques and your imagination. We'll guide you through the process and show you how to explore the internet safely to find craft supplies and even use AI tools to spark new ideas. This session is perfect for curious minds of all ages. Take home a framed art piece you will be proud of, as well as being introduced to the Be Connected online training website so that you can confidently continue learning from home.

Refreshments and all materials included.

Monday 20 October, 9.30am - 12.30pm

Cost: FREE



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SENIORS FESTIVAL EVENTS

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Dementia Friendly Games Day

Take a trip down memory lane. Join us for a games morning for people with dementia and their carers. This will be a chance to relax, socialise, reminisce and have some fun. The morning will feature a variety of games tailored for individuals with dementia. We invite you to share some wonderful refreshments and a morning of laughter and camaraderie in a supportive environment.

Tuesday 21 October, 10.30am - 1pm

Cost: FREE

Laughter Exercises

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Bunyip Connection Found

By Roman Kulkowycz

In the August issue of the Bunyip Newsletter, the front page featured the lead story from the Melbourne Herald dated Saturday 23rd September, 1961 regarding the kidnapping of RAAF Ace Pilot, Wilfred Arthur DSO, DFC. who the Herald stated had a Bunyip connection. However, I could find no mention of Bunyip in my online searches on Wilfred. Derek Birch of Bunyip contacted me following this front page featuring Wilfred Arthur with information to complete this jigsaw puzzle and his personal involvement with Wilfred.

In 1958, at age seventeen, Derek told his father, a former Wing Commander with the RAAF who served with Wilfred Arthur both as fighter pilots, that he had enough of school and after completing Year 11 at Scotch College, he left school and went to work for Wilfred Arthur who owned a dairy farm at Tonimbuk. Wilfred at age twenty two was the youngest Group Captain in the RAAF. Derek worked for Wilfred till 1960 and described Wilfred as being a very smart, kind, compassionate and energetic wonderful man. Very good to work for.

At that time, Heinz operated a pea vining operation on Mr. Harry Pickup's property on Hope Street at the top of the hill opposite the Cemetery. Wilfred buck raked the pea trash off the vining elevator to make a huge 6000 ton silage stack there. He later loaded the silage onto his truck with a huge slewing crane built by Edwards Engineering in Drouin.

In 1960 after Wilfred Arthur had sold his farm, he was sent to Saigon by the Australian Government to set up a dairy farm under the "Columbo Plan". One day whilst he was being chauffeur driven to the farm, the car was ambushed by rebels. The hatred for Americans was very extreme at that time. The driver was dragged out of the car and executed on the spot because they thought he was an American. Wilfred, seeing the immediate danger confronting him shouted out repeatedly "I am Australian, I am Australian I don't speak American." The rebels did not know the difference between an American and an Australian which saved his life. He was captured and put into prison.

Eventually Wilfred, following negotiations was released in exchange for the princely ransom of a typewriter and medical drugs such as Penicillin. In Tonimbuk, Wilfred and his wife Lucille had three children, two boys and a girl (dec) and they had another son whilst living in Saigon. Derek still maintains contact with the boys.

Photo: Wilfred. Died in Darwin in December 2000 aged 81.



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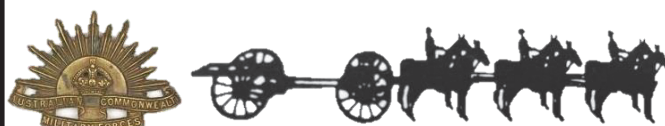
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The group meet up on "Comfort Quilt Fridays" every 2nd and 4th Friday each month. Everyone is welcome (including hand sewers).

For more information, contact:
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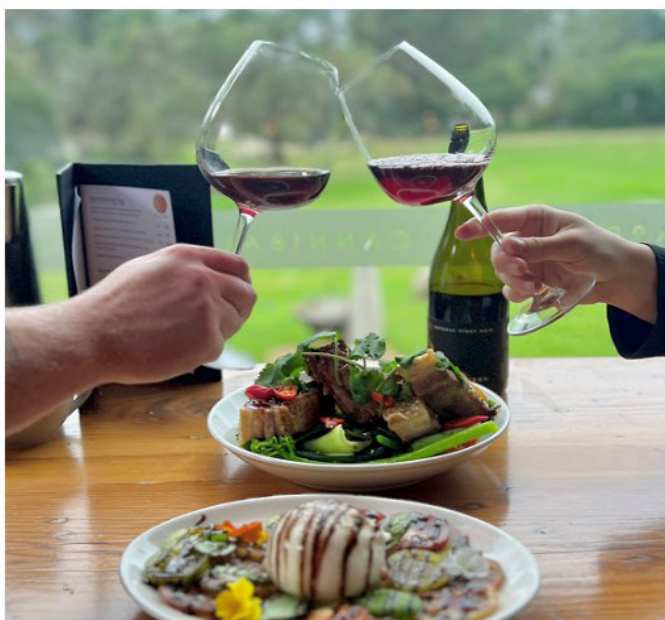


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- Next Meeting: **Oct 24 - Swamp Tour**
- **First Tuesday:** Nar Nar Goon RSL Sub Branch meets monthly at the Community Centre.
- Contact Secretary Samantha O'Sullivan should you want to attend as a guest or member via email: secretary.narnargoonrsl@gmail.com
- Next meeting: **Contact Samantha for confirmed date**
- **Fourth Tuesday:** NNG Progress Association meet bi-monthly at the St John's Community Centre at 7pm
- Next meeting: **AGM - Oct 28**
- **Fourth Wednesday:** Pakenham Camera Club meets at the Community Centre of Meadowvale Retirement Village, Eagle Drive, Pakenham at 7.30pm
- Next meeting: **Oct 22, Nov 26, Dec 24, Jan 28, Feb 25**
- **Thursday:** For information on local Scout meetings, please contact Olive Elston, Ph: 0408 390 593.
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Please Note: Rainfall in parentheses are an average of the recorded amounts as recordings for these months were unable to be taken.

Month	Rainfall 2024			Rainfall 2025		
	Geoff L	Zoe	Geoff B	Geoff L	Zoe	Geoff B
January	154.80	120.00	144.60	60.60	41.00	36.00
February	25.80	22.00	26.00	67.60	54.00	77.40
March	13.00	7.00	10.00	72.20	55.00	54.00
April	144.20	132	126.00	36.00	35.00	44.00
May	39.00	(41.50)	44.00	36.40	31.00	20.00
June	56.20	79.00	38.00	74.00	55.00	50.20
July	155.40	136.00	138.00	113.00	91.00	79.20
August	35.00	26.00	16.40	53.60	(53.1)	52.60
September	114.00	85.00	91.20	76.20	55.00	55.80
October	84.80	(75.00)	65.20			
November	57.60	48.80	62.50			
December	44.80	45.60	42.60			
Total	924.60	701.40	804.50	589.60	470.10	469.20

24 Hour AED + Defibrillators:

Defibrillators are located in the following places for use prior to ambulance arriving. In case of an emergency call 000 first.

- 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)
- NNG Rec Reserve. (when rooms / reserve in use)
- Graham Farr (NNG Nth resident)
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