



NAR NAR GOON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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Nar Nar Goon Community Christmas Festival - Sunday 30th November -

Come and relax with friends and family at the NNG Rec Reserve, Spencer St, Nar Nar Goon.

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

Please help out Santa by dropping off kids gifts to the NNG Posh Op Shop during business hours or sneak it in on the day. Please wrap and clearly label gift with child's full name.

Head over to the NNG Progress Association Facebook page and the Community Christmas Festival 'Event' page for further information. You'll find a run down on all the great raffle prizes on offer.

Raffle tickets can be found at your favourite places around the Goon...

The Butcher with The Chef,
NNG Post Office, Goon Eatery,
NNG Takeaway, Posh Op Shop,
Charlie's Stockfeed (Downes),
NNG hotel and at the Christmas
festival.



Next History Group Meeting:

- **FRIDAY 28th November, 2pm**

Guest Speaker:

Brian Arnold with support from his brother
Kevin and son Kim.

- **MONDAY 15th December, 2pm**

Guest Speaker:

Denis Doherty

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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

Next Meeting:

Tuesday 24th February 2026

7:00pm,

St John's Community Room,
(Behind Posh Op Shop)

Main St Nar Nar Goon.

All Welcome!

GOON NEWS DEADLINES:

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

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Thanks so far...

The NNG Progress Association would like to give a shout out to the following who have so far supported the NNG Community Christmas Festival. We appreciate every bit!

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- Garfield Golf Club
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NAR NAR GOON



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Using cookers that use solid fuels such as wood, heat beads or coals is banned on Total Fire Ban days.

Fire Danger Period

(more info cfa.vic.gov.au/aboutfiredangerperiod)

The Fire Danger Period (FDP) is a time when CFA restricts the use of fire in the community. This is to help prevent fires from starting when fires are more likely to pose a threat to communities.

The FDP affects people living in country Victoria and the outer metropolitan suburbs of Melbourne.

CFA declares the FDP for each municipality (Shire or Council) at different times in the lead up to the fire season. It depends on the amount of rain, grassland dryness and other local conditions.

The FDP can go for several months. It may be declared as early as October in some municipalities, and generally remains in place until the fire danger lessens, which could be as late as May in some years.

Once the FDP has been declared, fire restrictions come into force. This means you cannot light a fire in the open air unless you have a permit or comply with certain requirements.

If you use fire without a permit, you could be breaking the law and may be prosecuted. Penalties for offences against the FDP can be as high as 12 months in prison or more than \$24,000 or both.

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(more info cfa.vic.gov.au/firebans)

Total Fire Bans are declared by CFA on days when fires are likely to spread rapidly and be difficult to control.

As well as the Fire Danger Rating, the Chief Officer also considers other factors such as current fires in the landscape, resource commitment and increased likelihood of fires when declaring Total Fire Bans.

On days of Total Fire Ban there are legal restrictions in force to reduce the likelihood of fires starting. All fires are banned.

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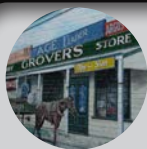
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Nar Nar Goon Progress Association

It's time to HAVE YOUR SAY!

This is your town. Make your concerns known. We will be stuck with this strategy so make the most of this consultation whilst you can.

If you would like an electronic copy of the draft, please get in contact with the NNG Progress Association.
E: nngprogress3812@gmail.com

Consultation closes 12 December 2025.

Do the survey. If you find the survey limiting, feel free to send an email to the shire.

E: mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au

Subject: Planning Strategy and Urban Design Team - Draft Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy).

Take advantage of the Face-to-Face Public drop-in sessions.

- **By email:** mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au (subject: Planning Strategy and Urban Design Team - Draft Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy).
- **By post:** Cardinia Shire Council, Planning Strategy and Urban Design Team, PO Box 7, Pakenham VIC 3810.
- **Attend a Face-to-Face Public Drop-In Session:** These informal sessions are a great chance to chat with Council officers about the Draft Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy. There's no formal presentation or agenda, just drop in when it suits you, ask questions, and share your thoughts.
 - **Face-to-Face Public Drop-In Session 1**
Date: Thursday 13 November 2025
Time: 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm
Venue: Nar Nar Goon Soldiers Memorial Hall, Spencer Street
 - **Face-to-Face Public Drop-In Session 2**
Date: Monday 24 November 2025
Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Venue: Nar Nar Goon Soldiers Memorial Hall, Spencer Street

Consultation closes for feedback on 12 December 2025.

Please click the "follow" button on the project page if you would like to be kept informed on the progress of this project.

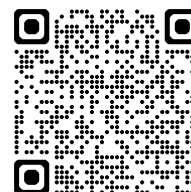
If you have any questions about this project, please contact Council's Planning Strategy and Urban Design Team on 1300 787 624 or via email on mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au.

Yours faithfully,

Lorna Lablache
Principal Strategic Planner

Translator Interpretation Service
131 450 (ask for 1300 787 624)

Scan the QR code below to complete the survey online or visit cardinia.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay



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30 October 2025

Dear email recipient

Have your say on the Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy

Cardinia Shire Council has prepared the Draft Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy. While developing a township strategy is a complex process involving technical analysis and policy alignment, community input has played a vital role in shaping the draft Township Strategy.

This draft strategy aims to create a long-term vision that reflects the community's aspirations, protect and enhance the unique characteristics of Nar Nar Goon, and address challenges affecting the town.

The draft Township Strategy does not propose any rezoning within the township or expansion of the township boundary. It aims to preserve the township's unique rural character while supporting modest, well-designed in-fill development in appropriate locations. Urban Design Guidelines and Preferred Character Precincts have been introduced to ensure new development fits with the existing character and streetscape.

Council is seeking feedback on the draft vision, urban design guidelines within the Preferred Character Precincts, as well as the objectives and strategies across six key themes: housing, township identity, local economy, climate and sustainable environments, connectivity and movement, and community and culture. Your input will also help shape the types of initiatives and actions included in the final implementation plan for the Township Strategy.

The dedicated community consultation project page will include links to the draft Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy, frequently asked questions (FAQs), supporting information to help interpret the draft Strategy, the outcomes report from Phase 1 of community consultation, relevant background documents, opportunities to get involved, and a project timeline. A recorded presentation will be published on the project page to explain how the draft strategy was developed and explain the structure and content of the documents. To learn more and share your feedback visit cardinia.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay.

How to share your ideas and feedback

You can share your ideas and feedback by completing an online survey available on our project webpage or by submitting a written response. During this engagement period, we encourage you to reflect on any part of the draft Township Strategy that is important to you.

To help guide your feedback, the FAQ section on the project page includes a list of prompts. This list is not exhaustive, you are welcome to raise any matters that are meaningful to you. Your input will help us understand what makes Nar Nar Goon special and will play a key role in finalising the Nar Nar Goon Township Strategy.

How to participate

- **By survey:** Complete the survey online at cardinia.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay. To request a hardcopy of the survey, please contact us via mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au.

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NNG History Group

SWAMP TOUR 2025

Friday 24th October brought 50 of us together at Ambrose Byrnes property on Convent School Road, meeting up at the actual old Convent school owned by Ambrose to do a 4 hour bus tour of the KWR Swamp.

What a great day!

Heather Arnold and Gerry Cunningham were our leaders for the day, sharing loads of historical information about the area. Thanks so much to them both for their tireless preparation and delivery of the tour.

The itinerary included the following highlights:

- Kinsella properties.
- The original Five Mile Settlement
- Ex Italian POW camp.
- Yallock Village Settlement.
- WW2 Airfield.
- School,
- AWA radio station
- The KWR Historical Society

A beautiful morning tea was enjoyed at the KWR Museum/Historical Society. Many thanks to those behind the organisation of the cuppa there.

Pam Cunningham gave a great commentary at the Garfield Landcare site on Lone Pine Road in Garfield area where literally thousands and thousands of trees and grasses have been planted by the Landcare Group. It was interesting to hear that corporate and school groups often spend half a day assisting with plantings. A few of the corporates regret wearing their Gucci shoes and the Landcare group regret the odd school group not leaving their phones on the bus! Back at the Convent school, Gerry gave us the history of the convent school and why it's stuck out in a paddock in the middle of nowhere! He also recited 2 poems from the Grade 5 reader that he learnt off by heart while a student at the school.

Ambrose explained the meticulous work that has gone into the restoration of the old school. Restoration of things like the old cross on the top of the building and the window frames and panes, all repaired or replaced with old timber. The 2mm glass has been replaced with 3 mm glass to try and stop the birds flying through it.

Geoff Bramley, shared his appreciation of the support of everyone in joining the tour. The Progress Association very generously sponsored the bus. He also asked people to get involved in the process currently underway with the development of the

NNG Town Strategy currently being developed by the Shire of Cardinia in conjunction with the Progress Association.

Huge thanks to Ambrose and Jan for the tireless preparation of the property which includes the beautiful "Wendy's Garden". The planning stretched right through to the provision of "Disabled Parking" (not used by anyone, even though we had a range of 80 and 90 year olds on board) and the hire of a porta loo.

And most importantly, thank you to everyone who joined the trip. It's so good to see the old friendships are stronger than ever and the interest in our local history is continually growing.

Next year Heather and Gerry are keen to offer another tour to War sites on the Swamp. Stay tuned for further information in 2026 about this tour. It will be in October again.



*Photo: The old students back at school for the day.
Back L to R: Gerry Cunningham, Peter Dore, Tom Scanlon, Nic Van Dieman, Ambrose Byrne, Danny Kennelly.
Front L to R: Bernadette Bertino (Kennelly), Carmel Sparkes (Kennelly), Sally Crawford (Byrne), Donna Handley (Byrne), Jo Cornell.*



swamp tour cont...



If you've been in Koo Wee Rup, you maybe familiar with the mural on the back of the Woolworths building. The railway fireman in this photo has a distinct likeness to 2 of our History Group members Bert Kooloos and Greg Templeton. What do you think??

Our Next History Group....

- FRIDAY 28th Nov at 2pm at St John's Church

Guest Speaker: Brian Arnold with support from his brother Kevin and son Kim.

The Arnold family spent many years living in Nar Nar Goon and Brian has plenty of stories to share.

Please Note: Meeting is on FRIDAY at St John's Church (Not a Monday - to fit in with Sue's travel plans)

- MONDAY 15th Dec at 2pm at St John's Church

Guest Speaker: Denis Doherty

Afternoon tea will be served in the yard outside the church afterwards. Bring a fold up chair if you'd like a seat outside.

All welcome.

Thanks to Ambrose & Jan for organising Journalist Stewart Chambers from the Pakenham Gazette to visit us at the old Convent school finishing point of the swamp tour. Today we made front page news of the Pakenham Gazette!

Sue Rose

Convenor History Group



Locals tour swamp's fascinating history

By Gerry Doherty

On Friday, 24 October, the Nar Nar Goon Progress Association History Group went on a bus trip with more than 50 people travelling around landmarks of the old swamp.

The trip was lucky enough to have commentary provided by local historian Heather Arnold and longtime local Gerry Doherty.

The trip included a stop at the Kooragang Island Museum, where visitors had signed a commemorative plaque for the swamp.

From Cora Lynn and Bayside to Kooragang, participants stopped at many historic landmarks, including the old Kooragang Island and the original Kooragang Island and Bayside.

"It's so good to see the old landmarks are being taken care of and the history of the swamp is being preserved," said Gerry Doherty.

The bus trip culminated at the old St Joseph's Convent School in Cora Lynn (now 100 years old).

A BBQ lunch was then enjoyed. The school was closed in May 1973 and subsequently purchased by Heather Arnold, who still lives at the property, which has been converted into a two-bedroom house.

The building began to deteriorate even while still in use, with signs of rotting in the walls in the 1930s.

The property would not be the former swamp site and have been decades bringing the old school back to life with extensive restoration work. A large garden has also been developed at the property.

Some of the students who were at the school were able to visit and reminisce. Mr Doherty has gone to the history of the property and ended two points from the Gazette's readers, which he has known for many years.

Local photographer Stewart Chambers stopped by to capture past local history. Chambers, who lives in Nar Nar Goon, has been a member of the History Group for many years.

It was a great day enjoyed by everyone, and Progress Association President Geoff Bradley has gone to the history of the property and ended two points from the Gazette's readers, which he has known for many years.

Next year's theme is proposed to be a tour of the swamp through the swamp.

You can keep in touch with information about these tours or any other activity of the association by emailing goonnews@nararagoon.com.au



Gerry Doherty from Yarram looking at a history display.



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Help shape Ron Andrews Park

Carolina Shire Council is refreshing the consultation play equipment at Ron Andrews Park and inviting the community to help choose their preferred design.

Located in Pakenham, Ron Andrews Park houses Ron (Mick) Andrews, a respected local community member and founder of the Andrews Foundation. The park features a wide range of play equipment, including a large play structure, a sandpit, a basketball court, and a playground.

Guided by the Carolina Shire 2023 Open Space Strategy and Playplan Review 2021, the council project will enhance the safety, accessibility and improve design within the playground. The project also includes the replacement of the timber play equipment with modern equipment.

Council have three exciting design options to choose from. The community is invited to provide their feedback on the design options by visiting the project page on the Carolina Shire website or by attending a public consultation session on Monday 29 November.

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NNG History Group

Dore Family Story

Descendants of JG Dore (John Gregory Dore)

Presented by Geoff Dore and his cousin Robert Dore on 22nd September 2025 to the NNG History Group

John Dore

The Dore family has been an integral part of the Nar Nar Goon district since family members first arrived in the area over 180 years ago. John and Elizabeth Dore and their four children Edward, Thomas, Patrick and Ellen arrived in Melbourne on 19th September 1841 from County Limerick, Ireland aboard "The Forth" sailing from Plymouth, UK, as assisted migrants.

In 1844 in partnership with Michael Hennessy, John Dore took up Mt Ararat Lease B on an area of 5120 acres. The old homestead with 13 inch thick walls is believed to be built in 1846 and is one of the very few left standing today. It is currently owned by the Cerchiaro family who owns Red Gem potato business in Nar Nar Goon.

The original Dore selection was eventually divided between a number of families and today only 5 acres of this huge pastoral run remains with Geoff and Sue Dore.

John Dore died in 1895. By then his family had grown from 4 children on arrival in Australia, to 7 children with the last 3 being born at Mt Ararat.



Photo: The Original Homestead which still stands today

John Bernard Dore 1850 – 1887

(Son of John)

Their youngest child, John Bernard Dore was born 1st Feb 1850. He married Honora Dore from County Limerick, Ireland and then continued to live all his married life farming at Mt Ararat. They had 3 children Elizabeth, Michael Thomas and John Gregory. Unfortunately, Honora died at the young age of 39 and is buried in the Pakenham cemetery. John Bernard then married Theresa Foster in 1888

and they had 6 children together, which meant John Bernard now had a total of 9 children. Theresa died in 1901 aged 43 and is also buried in Pakenham Cemetery. John Bernard married for the third time to Mrs West but only for 10 months as he had the bad luck of being killed at 55 years old, at Nar Nar Goon, when he was killed by a train as he was crossing the railway line on his horse and jinker.

JG John Gregory Dore

(born 1881 at The Oaks, died 1970)

JG was one of John Bernard Dore's sons with first wife Honora. He is the grandfather of Geoff and Robert who are sharing the Dore family story with us. John Gregory began his schooling at the NNG school at the junction of Bald Hill Road and Seven Mile Road. John Gregory left school at age 11 to help on the family farm. He was only 6 years old when his Mum, Honora, died. When his Dad died in the level crossing accident at NNG in 1905, the farm had to be sold.

JG married Jane Smith in 1918. She was the youngest daughter of Marmaduke and Catherine Smith (nee Mulcare). Both Jane's parents the Smiths and the Mulcares were amongst the earliest settlers in the district. JG bought "The Oaks" on the highway side of the railway line. John and Jane moved to Homestead Park in Mt Ararat South Road. Then they moved to a new house on Mt Ararat Road in 1953.

The beautiful oak trees on the property have since been removed by the railway complex now occupying the property. This was where Geoff's Mum and Dad first lived when they were married. It was compulsorily acquired to build the train maintenance complex about 10 years ago. Two other houses also were demolished for the train complex including one that Bill Harrop had built for his family. JG bought 308 acres known as the "White Swamp" on the corner of Bald Hill and Mt Ararat Roads (now known as Oak View Lane). Sue and Geoff now live at the last 5 acres of the "White Swamp". Apparently it was called "White Swamp" because of all the very thick tee tree covered in a white flower.

At age 32 JG was elected to the Berwick Shire as a councillor for the Pakenham Riding where he served for 43 years, retiring in 1956. He was awarded an MBE in 1957. Noni (JG's daughter) kept all the telegrams from people like Sir Henry Bolte and Sir Dallas Brookes saying things like "Congratulations JG. Well deserved." There were three J.G Dore's in the family but it was easier to refer to their grandfather as the JG Dore as he was the patriarch of the family.

In 1916 his Aunt Kate and Uncle Pat both died. As a result JG bought the remaining half of the original Mt Ararat Creek Preemptive Right.

The Dore, Carney and Halloran family connections began through Jane's sister marrying a Carney and her sister marrying a Halloran.

dore family story cont...



Photo: JG and Honora with Tom, Greg & Noni

JG sold the old original homestead with 100 acres around 1928. John and Jane moved to Homestead Park in Mt Ararat South. JG and Jane had 5 sons and one daughter. The first premature twin sons died when only a few days old and another son James died at nearly three years old. The surviving children were Nonie, Greg (Robert's father) and Tom (Geoff's father). JG and Jane moved to a new house known as "The Mount" on Mt Ararat in 1953. He eventually divided the property on Mt Ararat Road South between his sons Greg and Tom.

JG's driving skills or lack of perhaps a better way to term the outcome of a few mishaps in his driving career that young Geoff at the time can remember were:

1. JG Rolled the car on Carney's Hill but at the time Tom, his son, was shearing. JG wanted oil and help to roll the car back on wheels so he could continue to Dandy Sale Yards.
2. JG was driving to Dandy Sale Yards and Geoff was a passenger in his pre teenage years. JG was run off the road around Narre Warren. He negotiated the car around the trees and back onto the road and continued on his way to Dandenong!

Nonie, Greg and Tom

(JGs surviving children)

Nonie Dore 1917 – 2011 (94 years)

Nonie remained in the home at Mt Ararat while continuing nursing at Pakenham Bush Nursing Hospital.

Greg Dore 1922 – 2012 (90 years)

Greg and his wife Mary (nee Dunbar) and their 5 children Louise, John, Michelle, Robert and David moved to Benalla to a property named "Marangan", in 1972. Both Michelle and Robert are involved in this presentation of the Dore family history today. The decision to go to Benalla was a smart one in hindsight. Greg and Mary had decided to build a house on the corner of Mt Ararat Road South and the Princes Highway, but fortunately it didn't happen. If

it had, the second 2 lanes of the highway would have gone through their lounge room! By coincidence, one day they were meant to be baling at "White Swamp" and it was wet day. They decided to do a quick trip to Benalla to have a look at the auction of a farm – which they bought that day. A sliding doors moment. Mary had not been inside the house. The property was purchased from a gentrified lady Alison Balfour. When the Dores moved in with their cattle truck loaded with furniture they backed it across the manicured front lawn which did not impress Alison Balfour!



Photo: Noni, Greg & Mary, Tom & Joan in 2001

Prior to going to Benalla, Greg had started a business in Tooradin with Lou Genoni called Gendore and it is still going today. They imported the first New Holland machinery into Australia along with Connor Shea seed Drills. Robert's Dad Greg, shared stories with him of crates being dropped at the shipping port in Fremantle and in turn they have to assemble the baler and tow it out into the farming districts east of Perth. They had the contract with the Board of works down east of Werribee. All the equipment was on the Tooradin side of Melbourne and the contract was on the other side of the city. So, they would tow the balers right down Spencer street! They did try and go earlier in the day – sometimes.

Greg didn't share much about his football career and was very modest about it. One day he said he was going to a 50 year reunion of the Tooradin Football Club. Robert went down to the club and discovered that his Dad had won 3 League Medals! They worked this out after the share farmer had buried Dad's trophies under a tree to free up a tee chest that he needed. By sheer chance Robert and his siblings accidentally dug up the silverware when they were playing pirates one day!

At that stage Greg and his family lived in Tooradin as they were part owners of the Gendore business. On a Sunday their family would come to church at St James in NNG. Robert's memory is that Mum and Dad would talk endlessly to every person outside the

dore family story cont...

church! He and his siblings would escape into NNG with \$1 to buy a choc wedge. All parties were happy! The 5 Dore children from Benalla who are now well and truly adults are:

- Michelle & Louise who both still live in Benalla
- John is in Bangkok and has been based in Asia for 25 to 30 years and married a Thai Chinese lady in Bangkok and they have a couple of children
- David married a writer called Kate Kennedy and they have a daughter Rosie who is going to university and studying music. David is the first fiddle in the Bendigo Symphony Orchestra. He is a Forester by trade and has been doing a lot of work in the Pacific and Vanuatu
- Robert has been based in Melbourne since the mid 90s and worked in the Energy sector. He's had a consulting business for the last 25 years on the Eastern seaboard and New Zealand. He has 2 children. Tom and
- Stephanie - married on the 29th March this year at their property outside Benalla called Marangan. It was a big deal for Steph to get married on the family farm which is still the spiritual centre for the family
- The family still own Marangan which is a beef cattle enterprise with the 5 siblings being share holders. They have been managing the property since their Mum Mary, passed away in 2022, aged 94.

Tom Dore 1925 – 2007 (82 years)



Photo: Greg, Noni and Tom riding to school on corner of Bald Hill and 7 Mile Roads

Tom went to school at the junction of Bald Hill Road and 7 Mile Road, followed by St Bedes, Mentone. Tom married Mary Byrne, sister to Doss who married Des Dore. They had 7 children – Brenda, Jim, Geoff (who is presenting today), Brian, Pat, Adrian and Mark. Unfortunately Mary their mother, died at age 41 in 1963.

Tom and his second wife Joan moved with the 2 youngest children Adrian and Mark to Dunkeld to an 808 acre property in the Western District in 1974 when Tom was aged 50. Adrian and Mark took the property over and the property has now been sold. Mark is still in the area and is a surveyor, running a very busy surveying business in Hamilton. Adrian is

retired and living in Torquay.

Tom originally farmed at Mt Ararat Road on 320 acres with Angus Stud beef cattle and sheep. As kids Geoff and his siblings did not really like sheep. The shearing shed was at JGs place on the other side of the highway. Geoff's Dad and Des Dore used to take sheep across the Princes Hwy for shearing to JGs property on Mt Ararat Road. They used to have signs on a paint tin lid to hold the traffic at both ends of the Princes Hwy of where the sheep crossed over. Sometimes Geoff and his siblings aged under 10 years at the time, would hold the signs to stop the traffic. Since sheep are so timid, it only needed one car to go past the sign and the whole herd of sheep would all turn back to the way they had come from. Des lost his patience when a ute with 2 fellas went past the sign, so he picked up and threw a lump of wood which landed in the tray of the ute. The fellas stopped, got out of the ute and the first person they saw was Tom. Des in the meantime picks up another lump of wood. Disgression kicked in for these young fellas and they took off in the ute.

Tom was very involved in the community including the Hall Committee, NNG Football Club (Life Member), Fire Brigade and the Catholic Church. In JGs later years Tom was increasingly involved in running "The Mount". Horses – Russ, Spangles and Patches - were used to round up cattle on the "White Swamp". Unfortunately their Mum Mary, battled cancer during this period and passed away December 1963 aged 41.

The children went to school at St. Patricks in Pakenham. Later, Brenda went to school to board at "Windsor". Jim, Geoff, Pat and Adrian went to board at "Rupertswood", Sunbury.

Geoff's career:

Geoff was at Rupertswood school from 1962 to 1965 when he left school. A year later in 1966 his Dad had a Herringbone shed built at "White Swamp" by Bernie Byrne and Harry Hermans who did all the concrete work.

He spent 10 years working in the dairy until the property was sold to Robert and Dawn Palmer.

Geoff worked for 17 years building concrete tanks for Everlast and 23 years building aluminium bullbars for Roadwise in Koo Wee Rup. And on a sporting note, when questioned about his footy career with NNG, Geoff humbly acknowledged he had played in 2 winning premierships for NNG in 1970 and 1980. His brother Jim was a very successful player and coach of many winning sides around Victoria. His other brother Adrian also played in a winning grandfinal for Dunkeld. It needs to be noted that NNG has just won the 2025 West Gippsland Football premiership against Tooradin/Dalmore 2 days before this Dore presentation. This was the 12th Premiership they have won over the years.

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Photo: NNG wins the 1970 Football Grand Final. Geoff and Jimmy Dore in both photos

The Dores from Urana, NSW

16 year old Des Dore and his 19 year old brother Gerald, came to Gippsland in 1944 from Urana, NSW. Gerald had written to his Uncle Jack (JG, John Gregory) saying that the crop season had finished. JG sent back a telegram saying we are shearing and harvesting can two men come and help? They caught a train at Coonong Station, Urana at a time when you had to pay for a permit to travel interstate. It seems that their trip to Melbourne was not straight forward. Robert told the story of how they needed to travel via Tocumwal which at the time was one of the busiest airports in Australia. The military were all heading north so the Victorian border was closed. The Quartermaster at the Victorian border turned them around as it was unclear if they were, who they claimed to be. "Go back to Finley and I'll ring the post master at Urana and I'll see if your story stacks up".

They came back to the border the next day and by then the Quartermaster had verified their existence and they were allowed to continue through the border into Victoria. Arriving at Spencer Street Station, they found accommodation for the night, arriving in NNG the next day. JG picked them up in his Wiley car.

Gerald stayed nearly 8 weeks after helping with shearing, milking cows and hay making. It seems it was a pretty eventful 8 weeks as there were dances

at Iona that Robert's Dad, Greg used to enjoy. He needed a "wingman" and a cover story so Gerald provided both. Greg had the Wiley's car and he and Kitty Stewart were paying each other a lot of attention over a number of different dance occasions while Gerald waited around for his cousin to go home. Gerald then had to back up Greg's story with why they were late home. Gerald got sick of covering for his cousin and went home to Urana. He returned back to Urana in 1945 on his 20th birthday because he was needed at home. Gerald is still alive today (Sept 2025) at the age of 100.

Des stayed and married Doss Byrne in 1953.

Other Urana Dores included Ned and Joe who all had big families and to this day still live there farming tens of thousands of acres. It's hard country and you work on about one year in five, having a decent harvest. Robert remembers stories about Ned and Joe digging an irrigation channel from Boree Creek by hand – about 20 kms through very difficult country. Greg Dore son of Ted, son of Ned is the head of the Kirby Institute which was really prominent during COVID. He's one of the leading Epidemiologists in Australia.

Robert's final comments were that this sort of story telling, really connects you with where you come from. He believes the family still has their roots back in the Nar Nar Goon community.

Thanks to Geoff and Robert and their families for the great insight into the JD Dore family members of Nar Nar Goon.



Photo: Dore Family at the NNG History Group 22nd Sept 2025

Back row left to right:

Robert Dore, John Dore, Peter Dore, Michael Dore, Geoff Dore, Jenny Bow (née Dore), Adrian Dore

Front row left to right:

Judy Dore, Sue Dore, Andrea Dore and Michelle Burrows (née Dore).

NAR NAR GOON CRICKET CLUB

UNDER 10'S JUNIOR REVIEW

WITH JUNIOR COACH SUKHPAL SINGH



It's been a fantastic start to the season for our U10s, and I'd like to give a huge thank-you to all the parents for your ongoing support from bringing the kids to training and games to cheering them on each week. Your efforts make all the difference!

It has been great to see the kids growing in confidence, learning new skills, and most importantly enjoying every moment out on the field. Their improvement week after week is clear to see, and the energy and enthusiasm they bring to each session is what club cricket is all about.

Our young Goons are starting to understand the game better stronger batting, more accurate bowling, and some brilliant teamwork in the field. It's exciting to see their passion for cricket coming to life!

As a coach, I'm committed to helping each child continue to develop at their own pace. For any players needing extra support, I am more than happy to spend additional time working one on one after training sessions to help them build skills and confidence.

We have a great group of kids, respectful, hardworking, and eager to learn – and I'm extremely proud of the progress they've made so far. Let's keep the momentum going and continue to have fun while growing as young cricketers!

Thank you once again to all parents, families, and the club for your support. Let's bring on another great month of junior cricket!

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NAR NAR GOON CRICKET CLUB

OCTOBER REVIEW

WITH SENIOR COACH JAY RILEY



It's been a great start for the club so far, and as coach, I'd like to thank everyone for buying in and for all the work the lads are putting in at training — and of course, the committee members!

Flying the flag for the Goon right now is the 2nd XI, currently led by Ryon Tocknell, who's doing a great job after stepping up as 2s skipper. The lads have a great team vibe — as does the whole club!

Some notable mentions in the **2nd XI**:

Noah — has really stepped up in his new opening role with the bat and picked up some wickets along the way. Great work, mate.

Tower (Ash Bailey) — is back and being his usual economical self with the red ball. Ash will be wanting to sink his teeth into the 1s soon after coming back from climbing Mount Everest!

Tim — has played some really important knocks; great to have you, mate.

Kamar — scored well and bowled well, which earned him his well-deserved call-up to the 1s!

3rd XI

The 3s have just come off the back of a fantastic outright win — great work to all! Even with a slight hiccup involving a couple of non-team members, we still got the job done. Fantastic effort, lads!

A special shout-out to Abhi Lara, who's carving his way to becoming a true Goon all-rounder — great work on your 100, mate!

Jed has also been brilliant for the 3s, hitting bombs and smashing sticks. I'm hoping to see Jed in the 2s very soon! The 3s have now won 3 out of 4 — great work, boys!

1st XI

The 1s have been improving as a new team every week. We're currently sitting 2 wins from 4, which, in reality, feels like it could've been 4 from 4 — but sometimes cricket just doesn't fall your way.

That said, we haven't hit our straps fully yet, and our best cricket is still ahead of us. The 1s host Carlie Park this Saturday at home, and we'll be chomping at the bit to get a positive result!

All in all, for such a new squad still learning about one another, it's been a great start.

Training & Club Culture

Training numbers have been consistently over 25 blokes every Tuesday and Thursday, which is fantastic. Effort levels have been really good — keep working hard, lads!

It's great to see such a good atmosphere around the club — it's genuinely refreshing. I'm really excited to see how the lads continue to develop leading into Christmas.

After the disappointing loss to Pakenham Upper, we need a strong fightback this week, lads — let's bring it home!

Abhi Sharma



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Meet for a coffee and a chat

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- 5 November & 3 December,

7pm - 9.30pm

OR

Evening group: 2nd Wednesday of the month

- 12 November & 10 December,

9.15am for a 9.30am start - 12pm

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Drop-off your green waste and 'leaf' it to us!

Residents are encouraged to drop-off their green waste for FREE at the upcoming Green-waste drop off events in Pakenham and Lysterfield. Hosted by Cardinia Shire Council, these events help residents clean up and reduce their fire fuel load on their properties throughout the year. Council's green waste drop-off events are accepting residential amounts of green waste including garden prunings, tree branches and trunks (up to 30 centimetres wide and 1 metre long), weeds, grass clippings, leaves, and flowers.

Pakenham – Future Recycling Transfer Station, 30-32 Exchange Drive, Pakenham

Saturday 6 Dec: 8am - 2pm

Sunday 7 Dec: Closed

Monday 8 to Friday 12 Dec: 7:30am - 3:30pm

Saturday 13 Dec: 8am - 2pm

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. Residents can make the most their visit by taking advantage of the free year-round e-waste and battery disposal options available at these transfer stations. For more information about Council's green waste drop-off events, visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/dropoff

2026/2027 Community Capital Works Grants

Stage 1 Project Proposal applications for the 2026/2027 Community Capital Works Grants (CCWG) program will open on Tuesday, 30 September 2025. The 2026/2027 Community Capital Works Grants (CCWG) program will be the first round of grants to follow the updated policy requirements. Council made significant changes to the Community Capital Works Grant Policy to simplify the application process and enhance the customer experience when applying for a grant. Updated policy requirements include:

- Fewer categories

The policy has reduced the number of categories from three to two. The category for council-managed projects has been removed. The major equipment category now allows for more necessary equipment to keep community facilities running.

- Funding details

For projects costing less than \$5,000, applicants won't need to contribute any funds.

For projects costing more than \$5,000, applicants will need to provide 50% of the funding across all categories.

- Application changes

The former Stage 1 "Expression of Interest" process is now referred to as a "Project Proposal." Applicants can submit their proposals at any time during the application period. All applications must be submitted at least one month before the application deadline.

- Reports on project outcomes

Applicants will need to provide more detailed proof that their projects achieved the intended results.

Council encourages community groups and committees to take advantage of these funding opportunities to improve community facilities, strengthen local networks, and support community well-being. Project proposal submissions close on Tuesday, 27 January 2026. Successful stage 1 proposal

applicants will be invited to submit a stage 2 Detailed Grant Application, providing more detailed information about the project proposal ideas. An invitation to submit a detailed grant application does not guarantee funding. For more information on the updated Community Capital Works Grants Policy, to submit a project proposal for the 2026/2027 grants, or to register for an information session, please visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/ccwg

Prepare your property for the fire season

Fire preparedness

With the weather warming up, we're reminding residents to clear properties of fire hazards in preparation for the fire season. The Country Fire Authority (CFA) will soon declare the Fire Danger Period (FDP) for Cardinia Shire and fire restrictions will be enforced across the municipality. Notices regarding Council's Fire Hazard Inspection Program will be sent out to properties identified as high fire risk according to the Victorian Fire Risk Register – Bushfire (VFRB), reminding residents to prepare for fire hazards inspections. Here are some steps you can take to ensure your property is best prepared ahead of the fire season.

- Reduce and remove fuel load

All overgrown grass and weeds, fallen branches and dead vegetation on your block should be cleared away to avoid presenting a fire hazard.

- For Rural or agricultural properties:

Slash grass and weeds to less than 10cm to create a firebreak at least 10 metres wide along the external fence lines of larger rural and agricultural properties. Slash grass and weeds to less than 10cm to create a firebreak around sheds, houses, haystacks and other infrastructure. Consider fuel reduction options such as mulching, stock rotation, baling if appropriate and green-waste drop-off. Note: If you are planning to cut paddocks for baling or silage, a fire break is still recommended to manage the fire risk until conditions are suitable for baling.

- For Residential and commercial blocks:

All grass on vacant properties is to be maintained to a maximum height of 10cm to reduce possible impact of fire.

Fuel reduced areas around houses and other buildings.

- Dispose green waste

Green waste can be disposed for free at the Future Recycling Transfer Station (30-32 Exchange Drive, Pakenham), on select days in December: Saturday 6 December: 8am - 2pm, Monday 8 to Friday 12 December: 7:30am - 3:30pm, Saturday 13 December: 8am - 2pm. Other ways to dispose of green waste include in your food and garden waste bin, booking in a hard waste collection or purchase a composting and garden mulching bin. Learn more about Managing green waste in Cardinia Shire here.

- Burning off

When choosing to burn off fuel loads, a number of conditions may apply depending on your property. You can't burn off during the declared Fire Danger Period or on a Total Fire Ban day. Before burning off, please follow the steps detailed here: Burning off on your property. In the lead up to the fire season, Council has completed its annual tree pruning and electrical clearance works across Pakenham, Beaconsfield and Emerald. These works help maintain a safe clearance zones around powerlines. Council's roadside slashing program will begin this month, targeting long grass along Council-managed roadsides to improve visibility and support fire prevention efforts. To learn more about how you can prepare for the fire season, visit <https://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/fireseason>

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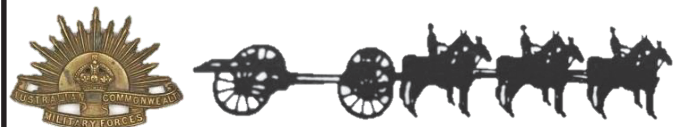
The group now support many charity groups including Wombat's Wish, Backpacks4VicKids, local nursing homes and aged care organisations as well as community group fundraisers and relief efforts just to name a few.

Donations of sewing supplies, fabric and quilts (both tops and fully completed) are more than welcome.

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

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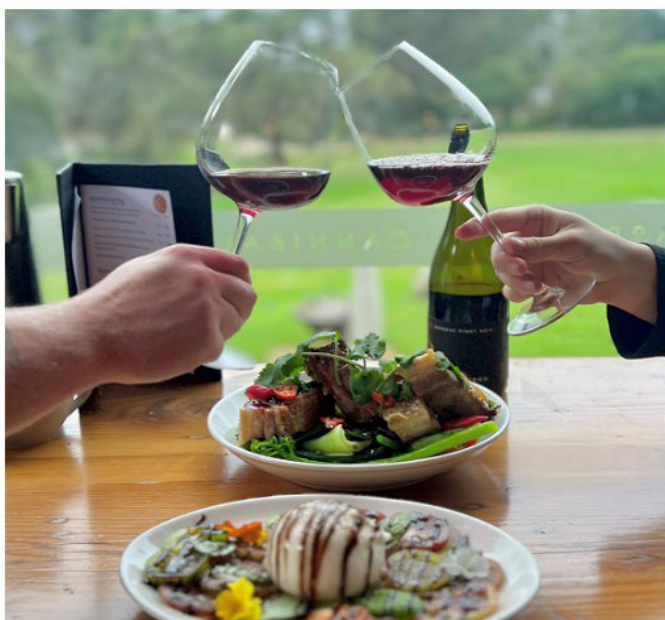


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- **Monthly Monday:** Nar Nar Goon History Group meet 2pm in St John's Church or Op Shop (behind). Contact Sue Rose on 0421 514 607
- Next Meeting: **FRIDAY Nov 28, MONDAY Dec 15**
- **First Tuesday:** Nar Nar Goon RSL Sub Branch meets monthly at the 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: **Christmas gathering - Wed Dec 3**
- **Fourth Wednesday:** Pakenham Camera Club meets at the Community Centre of Meadowvale Retirement Village, Eagle Drive, Pakenham at 7.30pm
- Next meeting: **Nov 26, Dec 24, Jan 28, Feb 25**
- **Thursday:** For information on local Scout meetings, please contact Olive Elston, Ph: 0408 390 593.
- **Every Thursday night:** BINGO! at the Community Centre. Eyes down 7.30pm/8.00pm. Book sales 6:45pm
- **Second Saturday of month & 5th Saturday (if applicable):** Old Time Dance at Nar Nar Goon North Hall
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Community Hall	Cardinia Shire	1300 787 624
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	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	112.80	99.00	100.20
November	57.60	48.80	62.50			
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