



## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER No. 415 JULY 2024

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### DISAPPOINTMENT ABOUT ROLLO ST TREE REMOVAL

By Christina Flann

Several residents rang or spoke to me about their shock and sadness at the recent removal of twelve trees at the old Yarragon Primary School Site, the new Rollo Street Park. This was also reported in the Gazette (below).



One of the reasons I joined the Yarragon Project Reference Group was to ensure that our community was notified about upcoming changes based on council works.



Unfortunately, I had to miss the last meeting and when I read through the minutes, I saw that there was a notification that there would be tree works on the 27th of June. That information had come in too late to be included in the June newsletter. "Monday 27 June some of the trees will be removed from the park, non-native, damaged / diseased or not fit for purpose, this is also occurring to make way for the drainage improvements."

However, it turns out that the actual tree removal was scheduled for 27 May rather than June. Apparently, this date error was made in the minute-taking process, not an incorrect date provided by Council, although a cynical

reading would note that this avoided an outcry and protests. Once a tree has been cut down, it can't be undone regardless of how sad it has made people or how innocent the minute taking error. It left the PRG no chance to notify the community, although apparently, council officers did a letter box drop to nearby residents about the tree removal works a few days in advance.

In going through the information provided to the PRG, it is hard to explicitly see that the large Cypress in particular was planned for removal. Although not the only tree removed, the Cypress on the fence line of Rollo St was a particularly prominent tree and one that was mentioned as an emotional loss by several locals. I have checked the diagrams and it was not planned for removal in the masterplan from December 2021.

Of course, there is a footnote: "Note: Trees are subject to an arborist to assess condition and safety. Trees that deemed to be a higher risk and recommended for removal will need be removed." Despite the English not quite making sense, this does offer the decisions cover.

I spoke to a council officer, also a member of the PRG, and they informed me that the trees that were removed were assessed by both internal and external arborists on value, amenity in the park's re-design, lifespan, heritage value and condition. There were issues with tree health and longevity as well as root issues for drainage and paving. In good news, 18 trees remain on the site and the plans include the planting of 63 new trees in the park. In time, the park will be greener than ever, but this step in the process will leave a bitter taste for a while.

As a step towards avoiding this sort of shock occurring in the future, see page 8 for information about tree assessments planned for Campbell Street. Also see page 12 for a reminder of the first steps towards this park for our community.

# REGULAR & TO DO

## MONDAY

### MOBILE LIBRARY

2:30–5:30pm  
Yarragon Hall carpark



### FIRE BRIGADE

7:30pm at fire station,  
1A Murray St.  
Captain Ashley Smith  
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*I've got a  
construction joke...*

*But I'm still work-  
ing on it.*

*Oscar*

## TUESDAY

### CRAFT GROUP

9:30am–12:30pm  
Uniting Church Hall,  
Campbell St.



Join us for craft and laughs.

### YDCA

TBA, CFA  
meeting  
room  
Secretary Richard Polmear  
0407 347 545



## WEDNESDAY

### GARDENING GROUP

10:00am or  
10:30am to lunch  
time  
at the backyard of  
the Uniting  
Church,  
Campbell St.  
Share your knowledge  
and learn from other gardeners.



### LIONS CLUB

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Catholic Hall in  
Rollo St.  
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more.

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necessary.  
7–8:30pm,  
Uniting Church Hall



## THURSDAY

### BOWLS CLUB

Shady Creek Rd  
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October to April, social game  
night 1st & 3rd Thursdays  
followed by a meal.

Meal orders must be placed  
by 5:30pm on the Tues prior.

*Oscarism of the  
Month:*

*Did you read my mind  
using Telekinesis?*

## SATURDAY

### CRAFT & PRODUCE MARKET

4th Saturday,  
9:00am–1:00pm  
Yarragon Public Hall  
Campbell St



### SILKROAD COMMUNITY TRAFALGAR FARMERS MARKET

First Saturday of Every  
Month, 9:00am–1:00pm  
Trafalgar Croquet Club, 25  
Ashby St, Trafalgar



## SUNDAY

### St Mark's Anglican Church

The Anglican Church in  
Yarragon meets on 2nd and  
4th Sundays of the month at  
8:30am at St David's Uniting  
Church building (9 Campbell  
Road, Yarragon).

### St David's Uniting Church

9 Campbell St. Service  
details on noticeboard at  
church.

### St Jarlath's Catholic Church

YARRAGON  
10:00am  
Mass  
every Sunday;  
Trafalgar  
6:00pm Mass  
every Saturday  
Parish Office 5633 1166



### YARRAGON STUDIO CONCERT

3:00pm 15 July  
Josh Hooke - Piano Recital  
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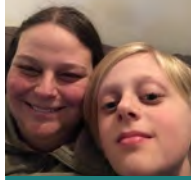
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**DEADLINE for  
August 2024 edition  
21 July  
12 noon**

## WHAT BIRD IS THAT IN MY GARDEN?

### OR: WHAT I SEE ON MY WALKS

By Margaret Young



Currawongs! I have heard them out in the paddock over the back fence and seen a few on my walks then, the other day, one landed on the back fence scaring the cat with it's bright beady eye.

I have always associated the call of Currawongs with my visits to Sydney or country New South Wales ... (that distinctive loud "currawong", deep croaks and even a "wolf whistle"). But they have always been here too. In fact, Currawongs can be heard around Eastern parts of Australia from Northern Queensland around to Western Australia and Tasmania.

There are three types: Pied Currawong (Queensland to Western Victoria), Grey Currawong (from Victoria to Southern Western Australia) and Black Currawong (only in Tasmania and the Bass Strait Islands).

Their other names include (Pied) Bell - Magpie, Black or Mountain Magpie, Tullawong, Chillawong, Currawang, Otway Forester, Jay or Rain Bird. Around here we will see the Pied Currawong.

Their habitat includes forests, wood lands, coastal scrub, farms and crop lands, rubbish dumps, picnic grounds, street parks and gardens. They have even been recorded breeding in Sydney parks.

Pied Currawongs are a large, mostly black bird with bright yellow eyes, (that can give you an intense look if you get too close), small patches of white under their tail tips and base of their wings that can be more easily seen in flight. Their bill is large, black and strong and their legs are dark grey -black. Females are sometimes greyer in their under parts and juveniles are duller and sometimes browner. They can be seen singly, in pairs and sometimes gathered in flocks of 50 or so particularly in winter.

Currawongs feed on insects and grubs in the ground and prey on skinks, small bird and chicks, as well as small possums and road kill. They also love

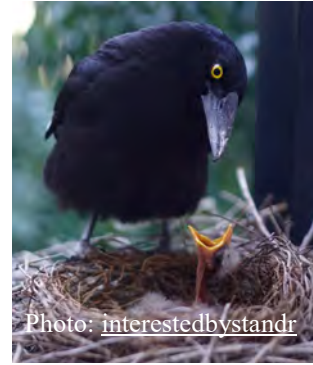


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berries and picnic leftovers. They might hang food on a tree for later like a Butcher Bird. They can be a bit bossy and frighten

small birds away, so don't be tempted to feed Currawongs in your back garden. Instead, plant strappy, dense and spiky shrubs to provide a safe refuge for the little birds to hide and nest in.

Pied Currawongs also have a bully to cope with. The Channel Billed Cuckoo lays its eggs in the Currawong's nest (not in Victoria though). They don't push the Currawong's eggs out as other cuckoos do. The Cuckoo chicks just demand all the food and the Currawong chicks starve.

The nest is a flattish platform of sticks lined with root fibres, grass and bark placed 5-15 metres up in a leafy tree. The female lays three light brown freckled eggs blotched darker brown. The male feeds the female while she is raising their chicks.

As I write this, two Currawongs are poking about in the trees in my back garden. I am close to the Yarragon Wetlands and dog park where there are lots of big trees. Maybe they are coming down from the hills for the winter.

So enjoy the penetrating calls of the Pied Currawongs while they are here and don't be alarmed by the piercing look from their bright beady eyes if you get too close while walking through the wetlands.



Photo: Tony Spira

# YBA

Yarragon Business Association Inc

## Notice of 2024 AGM & General Meeting

**Monday 12th August 2024**

**Time:** 5.30pm: Networking  
**6.00pm: AGM**  
6.15pm: General Meeting

**Venue:** Westfalia Warragul  
90 Waterloo Rd, Yarragon

*All Yarragon & district  
business owners welcome*

**Enquiries:** Jo: 0448 034 757  
yba3823@gmail.com

## LINE DANCING FOR FUN, FITNESS & LIFELINE

By Sonia Roberts

A successful line dance social with a “black and white” theme was held at Yarragon on Saturday 2nd June. Dancers enjoyed being entertained with live music by Brett Luke and Serena Jordan. \$290 was raised for the day, bringing the total so far to \$1000 which goes towards helping Lifeline.



Line dancing is held in the Yarragon Hall Monday mornings and Thursday evenings for anyone who would like to participate.



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WARRAGUL



# WHAT ARE THE EDITORS UP TO?

By Christina Flann, Debbie Churchill & Oscar Bijl

**Oscar:** Making amazing artwork at The *Gallery of Good* pottery course in Trafalgar.



**Christina:** Still getting up early and happily enjoying working in a nursery. I'm going to keep including sunrise photos until other people start sending in photos. I had a class mate at school who once said that he didn't see the point in getting up for a sunrise because you could watch the sunset and just imagine it in reverse. I actually now disagree.

**Debbie:** Is now officially a resident of Yarragon! She will be back with more news next month.

We live in such a beautiful part of the world, please send us your photographs to share.



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## Digital tourism hubs now live in Baw Baw!

New Digital Information Hubs, installed by Baw Baw Shire Council in Neerim South and Yarragon, will provide tourism and community information, helping to activate smaller towns and surrounding areas across the Shire.

The two hubs serve as a pilot program to assess the viability of installing more, with the project supported by a Living Local Grant from the Victorian Government.

Destinations featured include:

- Neerim South
- Yarragon
- Walhalla
- Noojee
- Jindivick
- Mt Baw Baw
- Erica
- Rawson
- Trafalgar
- Thorpdale
- Mount Worth
- Willow Grove
- Blue Rock Lake
- Warragul and
- Drouin.

They also contain information on local arts and culture, where to shop, eat and drink, nature trails, and accommodation options. Regular markets and events are also listed.

Keep an eye out for these next time you're in town.



## HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR NEW GLASS RECYCLING BIN?

New 120L purple-lidded glass recycling bins are being delivered to households with a Council residential kerbside collection service from now until the end of August, with Warragul and Drouin the first two local towns to start receiving the new glass recycling bin.

Starting in September, residents should begin putting glass bottles and jars into the new glass recycling bin, ready for the first collection in October. The glass recycling bin will be collected on a four-weekly basis.

All Victorian Councils are required to provide a residential separate glass recycling service as part of the state government initiative 'Recycling

Victoria: A new Economy', which is a 10-year policy and action plan to improve waste and recycling in the state.

Visit [www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/GlassRecycling](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/GlassRecycling) to find out more.



# YARRAGON CRAFT AND PRODUCE MARKET

By Anna Griffith



Thank you all for coming and supporting your local Yarragon Craft and Produce Market in June. With over 65 stalls in the Yarragon Public Hall and outside areas, there was something for everyone. Thanks to the wonderful stall holders who came along to showcase their homemade, baked and grown goods.

The Yarragon Craft and Produce Market is a fully volunteer-run market that proudly donates back to the community. This month we donated \$6000 across the following organisations:

- Yarragon Primary School
- Yarragon Early Learning Centre
- Yarragon CFA
- Yarragon Community Hall
- Yarragon Cemetery
- Yarragon Bowling Club
- Yarragon Football Netball Club

On Saturday 27th July 2024 we will be holding this year's AGM following the market. All position descriptions will be advertised on the Yarragon Craft and Produce Market social media pages and via: [yarragonmarket@outlook.com](mailto:yarragonmarket@outlook.com)



We look forward to seeing you on Saturday **27th July** for the next Yarragon Craft and Produce Market.



*Yarragon Hotel*



[www.yarragonhotel.com.au](http://www.yarragonhotel.com.au)

## OPENING HOURS

Every day from 11am

Lunch 12 - 2:30pm

Dinner 5:30 - 8:30pm

Take-away 5 - 8pm

*Bookings appreciated & recommended*

# HEADS UP ABOUT TREE ASSESSMENT CAMPBELL ST

By Christina Flann based on email from a council officer

A council officer notified the Yarragon PRG that Drouin Tree Services have been appointed to undertake a detailed tree assessment of all the trees along Campbell Street within the red area on the map to the right.

The assessment was due to start the week commencing 24 June 2024. It will produce a report highlighting the Species, Tree Measurements, Health and Condition, Defects, Useful Life Expectancy, Retention value and any Overlays applicable.

The information gathered from this report will feed into the design of Campbell Street.

The PRG have already had a heads up in one of our meetings that quite a few of these trees are not healthy. Due to their growth form water is pooling in the centre, leading to rot.



So, our community should probably prepare ourselves for the removal of some more trees in due course.

# YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL SPRING CLEAN

By Tegan Brown

We have our annual spring clean town-wide garage sale booked for Sunday 13 October. The school will again be having their annual

## PLANT SALE!

We would love people to start thinking about this and if they are in their garden maybe

think about propagating some cuttings to donate to our school in October.

We are also hoping people might be happy to already start donating items like potting mix, small pots, seedling pots, and seeds. Then the kids can plant them to help grow vegetables and plant seedlings for the plant sale.





# Save the date

[www.bbsn.org.au/events](http://www.bbsn.org.au/events)

25  
JULY CLIMATE ANXIETY

29  
AUG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

31  
OCT FIRE READY

## ECO-ANXIETY

By Amanda McLeod, BBSN



The Red Cross Red Crescent Psychosocial Reference Centre has described climate anxiety as a sense of dread, an 'ongoing or chronic fear of environmental doom. It can apply to past, present or future events'.

'As with any stressful situation, people display a range of emotions from denial, avoidance, stress reactions, a deep sense of grief, through to engagement and activism. This is important to recognise as there is no one-size-fits-all approach'.

Warragul-based psychologist John Reeves will present on climate anxiety and describe clinical presentations and offer solutions to this seemingly insurmountable problem.

We hope you can join us for a thought-provoking discussion followed by a light supper.

**Thursday 25 July, 7pm**  
**Uniting Church Hall, Campbell Street Yarragon**  
**For bookings: [www.bbsn.org.au/events](http://www.bbsn.org.au/events)**

## SECRET SCREENING WITH BEAU MILES

From BBSN Newsletter



A secret screening is your chance to see Gippsland local Beau's quirky films before they're uploaded to YouTube. The idea is that these films aren't yet the 'final version', but good enough to understand and tell your pen pal about.

In between, Beau will tell you a bunch of excellent stories that may or may not have anything to do with what you've just watched. He'll be operating at 90 percent for at least 70 percent of the night, which by all accounts is what most people consider above average.

To finish the show, Beau will answer your questions during a Q&A.

**Saturday 27 July**  
**7:30pm**  
**West Gippsland**  
**Arts Centre**



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# WINTER IN THE VEGGIE PATCH

By Katie Grace of Green Esc



As the winter settles in, outdoor activities may seem less appealing. Hopefully, your broccoli and cauliflower are already thriving! Layer up and wander the garden...it's good for the soul!

When planting carrots (which take a few months to grow), consider planting radishes at the same time. This serves two purposes: radishes sprout quickly, marking where you planted the seeds, and you can harvest them before the carrots require more space. A bountiful radish crop can be pickled with vinegar, sugar, and mustard seeds. Recipe:

[www.loveandlemons.com/quick-pickled-radishes](http://www.loveandlemons.com/quick-pickled-radishes)



Snow peas, known for their charm with beautiful white flowers and crisp green peas, will require a trellis for climbing support. Their growth rate may

slow down until September, but a bountiful harvest awaits. The more you pick, the more they yield!

Broad beans have a weighty structure so use stakes and twine to support them in rows. Broad beans can be enjoyed sautéed in butter or blended into falafel. Add their flowers and leaf tips to salads for extra flavour.

Keep planting both peas and broad beans up to the end of winter. They have a great ability to 'nitrogen fix', which means they capture and store nitrogen in small nodes on their roots. After they finish producing, trim the stems at the base to allow the nitrogen to be released into the soil ready for your next crop.

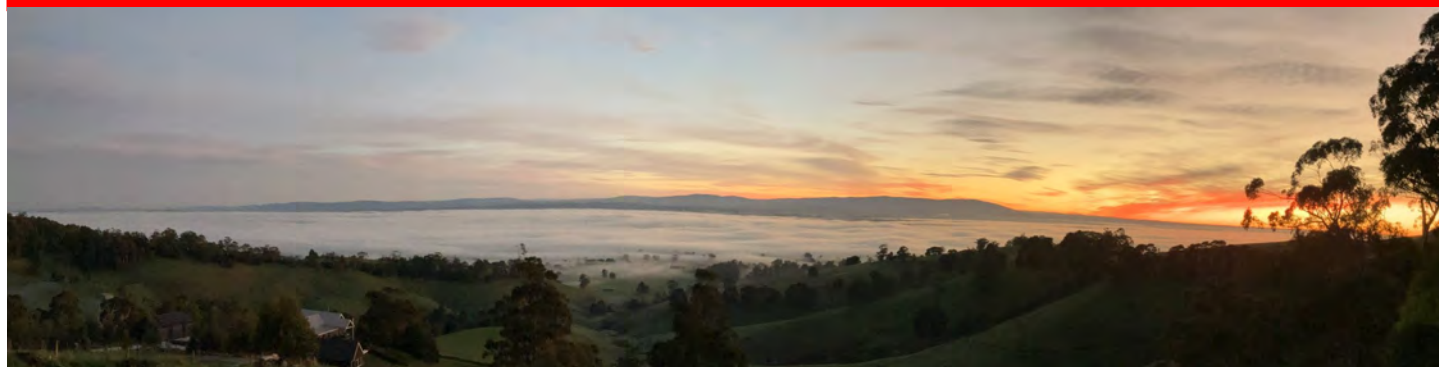
What comes to mind when you think of kitchen gardening? Enriching your soil with compost, planting delicate seeds, planning a reliable crop, harvesting fresh produce to enjoy at dinner? Spring is just around the corner, and with a little foresight, you can cultivate a delightful blend of herbs and vegetables right at your doorstep! Join me to explore the basics of gardening at the Warragul Community Garden. Uncover the keys to gardening success and relish peaceful moments surrounded by nature. Enrol in the Kitchen Garden Course offered by the Warragul Community House starting on August 8th. For more information visit: [www.warragulcommunityhouse.org.au](http://www.warragulcommunityhouse.org.au)

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# LISSYS LITTLE BEAUTY IN YARRAGON

By Lissy



For those who haven't met me, my name is Lissy and I run a home based beauty salon in town. I grew up and went to school in Yarragon until I was 10 years old, and found my way back here after years of travelling. There's something very special about this place!

I have been doing beauty therapy for 17 years, and from home in Yarragon for the last nine years. Over the years, word of mouth has been the main driver of my business success, and I'm so incredibly grateful to our community and everyone that has supported me.

I'm now introducing some specialised equipment into my salon, so I thought I'd share the exciting news with you! For the last year I have been doing IPL Permanent Hair Removal and IPL Treatments that target Vascular, Pigmentation, Rosacea and Acne. The device also does Radiofrequency Skin Tightening. The latest additions to my salon are a MediLUX LED and XCellaris Pro Twist Microneedling (Collagen Induction Therapy).

The MediLUX LED is has medical grade, powerful, light emitting diodes ranging from blue to near infrared. Each of these lights target different skin conditions such as ageing, wound healing, acne, redness reduction, inflammation and skin tone correction.



XCellaris PRO Twist Microneedling (Collagen Induction Therapy) promotes skin rejuvenation, reduces the appearance of fine lines, reduces the appearance of face and body scars and stretchmarks, boosts skin elasticity and improves skin tone.

I do a thorough consultation with you and I can tailor a treatment specific to your skin concerns.

My regular salon treatments include all waxing, tinting, lash extensions, lash lift, brow lamination, manicures and pedicures with either classic nail polish or shellac (no extensions or French, sorry), deluxe pamper facials, dermaplaning and the best spray tans ever!! And Gift Vouchers of course ...

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You can find me and book online through Facebook, or call or text to make an appointment. (No walk ins sorry, I might in the middle of a pamper facial).

I look forward to meeting you, Lissy x

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# LION'S CLUB

By Alison and Glenn Butterworth



We are back from our travels, and are happy to advise that there is no place like home, even if winter is here with a vengeance. In the Op Shop we have a range of winter clothing including coats, jumpers, and other winter "warmers". We also have a range of craft goods, including lace, fabric, buttons, yarn, knitting and sewing patterns, magazines, and lots of stuff to try a project while staying inside in the warm. At our prices, you can afford to "have a go" at a new craft. If crafting is not your thing, then come on down and get a DVD to watch while you keep warm.

We are still accepting goods for sale. All we ask is that they are in reasonably good condition, that is clean and unbroken. If you wouldn't buy it yourself, then please don't send it to us. Goods can be dropped off at the shop whenever we are open. Our hours are 10am to 2.30pm Wednesday to Sunday. If you have large items to donate, please call Peter on 0458 408 286 and he will organise to call in and pick up your donation.

Following on from the very successful visit of the Lions Skin Cancer Bus last year, we are happy to announce that the bus will be back in December 2024. This is a completely free service so we encourage everyone to come in and have an expert look over your skin for anything that is not "right".



By the time this newsletter is published, we will have had our handover dinner at the Yarragon Bowls Club where we have had several very successful events. Our new president, Glenn Butterworth will have been sworn in, and our current secretary, Allan Logan and our treasurer Sam Mazza will be continuing on in their current roles.

## THIS MONTH IN 2020

From the archives of the Yarragon Community Newsletter and Christina Flann



Four years ago this month, Baw Baw Shire Council finalised the purchase of the former Primary School site in Rollo Street for Community use.

Thanks to those who worked tirelessly to make this happen. Despite the loss of certain trees, this space will continue to give back to the Yarragon community for years to come. Hopefully, for generations to come.



Image: Roy Lindsay, Previous Mayor Cr Mikaela Power and Michael Fozard at the site.



Katie Grace

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# ELECTIONS AND KEEPING SAFE

By Tegan Brown, Secretary & Community Safety Officer Yarragon Rural Fire Brigade

## Brigade Elections

Last month we held our biannual brigade elections to elect the new officers for the two-year period starting July 1st 2024.

We would like to thank Norman Heard for his dedication and commitment to being 4th Lieutenant for the past two years. Norman has put in numerous extra hours ensuring we always have equipment charged, clean trucks and always finding solutions for any stowage challenges.

We will be welcoming in Andrew Halnon as a Lieutenant and Community Safety Coordinator. Andrew has been a brigade member at Yarragon since 2022. He first joined the CFA in 2008 at Barwon Heads. More recently he was a member of the Churchill Brigade between 2014-2022. We are very fortunate to have Andrew's knowledge, experience and ideas joining the management team.

This may be the last article I write as Andrew takes over my role as Community Safety Officer, it has been a delight to bring you all timely information and reminders about fire safety. **[Ed's note: Thank you for your helpful contributions, it has been very much appreciated]**

## Electrical House Fires on the Rise

House fires have been on the rise in the past 12 months with more than 780 occurring in 2023 in Victoria. At least 140 of those were caused by electrical equipment including appliances and air conditioning. This year across the state there have been over 60 house fires due to electrical equipment.



Only plug in **one device per outlet**, and always keep powerboards neat and tidy.

[cfa.vic.gov.au/homefire](http://cfa.vic.gov.au/homefire)

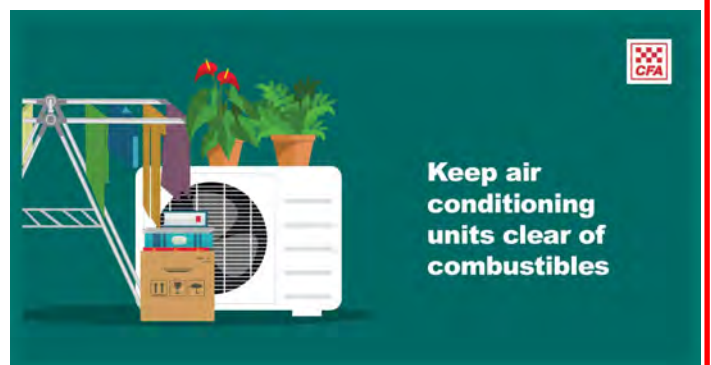


Have you considered the fire hazards when working from home?



It is vital that we don't overlook all the electrical equipment we have in our homes. You can take some simple steps to reduce the risk of a fire starting by:

- Not using damaged or faulty electrical equipment.
- Not using double adapters.
- Not charging electrical equipment such as laptops/ipads/phones on soft surfaces such as a couch or bed.
- Ensuring that all computers/monitors/laptops, televisions and other electrical equipment have good air flow around them and are not confined to small or enclosed spaces.
- Turning off all appliances at the switch when not in use.
- Only using power boards according to manufacturers instructions. Not overloading them, or having loose cables and always checking them for signs of damage.
- Only using certified tradespersons to repair damaged/faulty electrical equipment and wiring.



Keep air conditioning units clear of combustibles



Expect the unexpected when you visit the 'Station Gallery', Yarragon during July. The gallery is the primary exhibition space of the Baw Baw Arts Alliance where you can view a different display of local Artwork each month.



Janine Richardson, Artist and president of Bbaa, with a textile work in progress created from all recycled fabrics

Current president of the Arts Alliance, Janine Richardson, is displaying a range of her painting, drawing and textile works in an exhibition titled 'Retrospective'. True to the title, Janine's works have been created over many years and demonstrate wonderful mastery of a range of media. While many of the works reflect her early studies in a Diploma of Art and Design, these days she has a strong focus on the need to approach her art with a sense of environmental sustainability. Every Tuesday Janine runs a creative textile group for the Arts Alliance in Artspace 2 at Trafalgar Railway Station and encourages her participants to use as much old fabric as possible rather than purchasing new fabrics.

At the same time as Janine's

'Retrospective' display in the main gallery section, in the smaller space called, 'The Wall', the Friday Fibre group, led by Marlene Ogden, has a beautifully eclectic range of work

demonstrating many textile techniques. The artwork is a result of numerous workshops and gatherings at Artspace 1, Trafalgar Railway Station. Again, expect the unexpected from printing and stitching on fabric, hand dyed fabrics, felting, applique, creative knitting, crochet and so much more.

The Arts Alliance doesn't just have work showing in its own gallery because many of the members show in places other than Gippsland. However, an interesting relationship has developed between the 'Through Life Physiotherapist' in Brandy Creek Road, Warragul where the Arts Alliance has a changing exhibition every two months. View the macrame work of Heather Easton over the months of July and August.

If you are looking for unique, creative gifts make sure you take time in the shops at both 'Station Gallery', Yarragon and the 'Artspace' in the former Trafalgar Railway Station. Many of the works have been produced by members of the wide range of Art groups that



meet regularly in the Trafalgar Artspace. Check the website, [www.bawbawartsalliance.org.au](http://www.bawbawartsalliance.org.au)



Handcrafted art  
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Wednesday to Sunday  
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# YARRAGON BOWLS CLUB

By Kaye McLaren, Secretary

In May 2024, four Yarragon Bowling Club members headed to Barham NSW to compete in the O60 State Carnival. This provided an excellent opportunity for our members to compete against top-tier opponents, gain invaluable experience, and enjoy the camaraderie and spirit of the bowling community. Events like these not only highlight the competitive nature of the sport but also emphasise the importance of community, friendship, and mutual respect among bowlers.



Seated watching the Ladies Pairs finals from left Kaye & Kevin McLaren & Kevin & Margi Arnold

Kaye McLaren and Margaret Arnold competed in the Ladies Pairs playing at Swan Hill and Kevin McLaren and Kevin Arnold played in the Mens pairs at Wakool NSW. Each of the teams enjoyed the experience and were excited to be able to watch some amazing games of bowls. So much

so that they have decided to go back next year. Any bowler who is interested in competing in such an event really should think seriously about it as it is a wonderful experience and lots of fun.

**Pennant Season 2024/2025:** Nomination Forms for the next season of Pennant have been placed on the noticeboard at the club. All members are encouraged to play next season. We hope to have another fantastic year.

### Bowling Green Maintenance:

The bowling club is currently in the off season for bowls. Our green is being prepared for next season and by the look of it we will once again have a wonderful surface to play on. Many thanks to Sam Mazza and his helpers who continue to work hard to achieve this for all of our members.



Kevin Arnold about to bowl at Wakool NSW

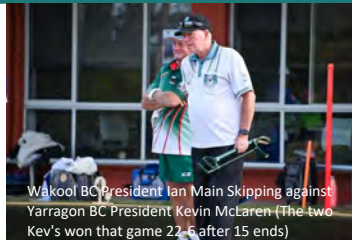
**Trivia Night:** The Trivia night at the Yarragon bowls club on the 13th June was an outstanding success. Many thanks to Tania, Chelsea, and Anna. You girls did a wonderful job. Your dedication and support for our club is much appreciated. We would also like to thank all of the sponsors who supported this event, either with donations or prizes for raffles. We couldn't achieve this goal without your support. Funds of over \$2500 raised will go towards helping us achieve the construction of a new synthetic green.

**Question:** What are butterflies that often fly in a group called?

**Answer:** A Kaleidoscope. (We really did learn something).



Trivia night hosts Tania, Chelsea & Anna



Wakool BC President Ian Main Skipping against Yarragon BC President Kevin McLaren (The two Kev's won that game 22-6 after 15 ends)

**Cancer Fundraiser:** Kylie Kiss along with the Kiss family held a fund-raiser on Sunday 23rd June for Cancer in memory of their beloved Silvana. We were proud to be able to host this event for the Kiss family in memory of our very dear friend. Once again the Yarragon community came together to raise some much needed funds to help fight this disease. The Yarragon Lions club kindly donated \$1000.00. We cannot thank them enough for the support they give to Yarragon and our surrounding area. Many thanks also goes to all who attended for their wonderful support and donations.

We would also like to recognise the tremendous support that we receive from our local community. All donations, whether a prize to raffle or proceeds from the Friday night meat and

vegetable raffles held at the Yarragon Hotel, all go towards making our club a wonderful place to enjoy a game of bowls, a social event or just a safe place for a catchup for the Yarragon community and its surrounding area.

### JULY UPCOMING EVENT

We are excited to announce that we will be holding a

## Christmas In July Movie Night Home Alone

It is envisaged that we will have a meal to share on the night. Guests are asked to bring along their favourite dish to share. Dress in your ugliest Christmas sweater or attire. Prizes to be given for the best costume.

Cost: \$5.00 pp. Drinks at bar prices. Everyone is welcome to come along and share in the fun. We will have Door prizes and raffles.

### Our sponsors for the 2023/24 season:

- Fonterra
- Fowler Street Dental
- Gifts and Glamour
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- Gippsland Fresh Wholesale
- Him He Me
- Lions Yarragon
- Neilsen Funerals
- Paul O'Toole Cartage
- Select Office Supplies
- The Cheeky Monkey
- The Shot House
- Town and Country Gallery
- Trafalgar Auto Electrics
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- Warragul Country Club
- Westfalia
- Yarragon Automotive
- Yarragon Bakery
- Yarragon Foodworks
- Yarragon Lions Club
- Yarragon Pharmacy
- Yarragon Post Office

We also recognise the tremendous support that the Community/Bendigo Bank of Trafalgar and District has provided the Yarragon Bowling Club and encourage locals to support them.

To contact the bowls club about sponsorship, games, or hiring facilities (with limited catering available):

Email: [yarragonbowls@gmail.com](mailto:yarragonbowls@gmail.com)

Phone (quicker response) 0490 831 283


[www.yarragon.bowls.com.au](http://www.yarragon.bowls.com.au)

YarragonBowlingClub

# Time for a home loan health check!

With the current cost of living, there's never been a better time to review your home loan.

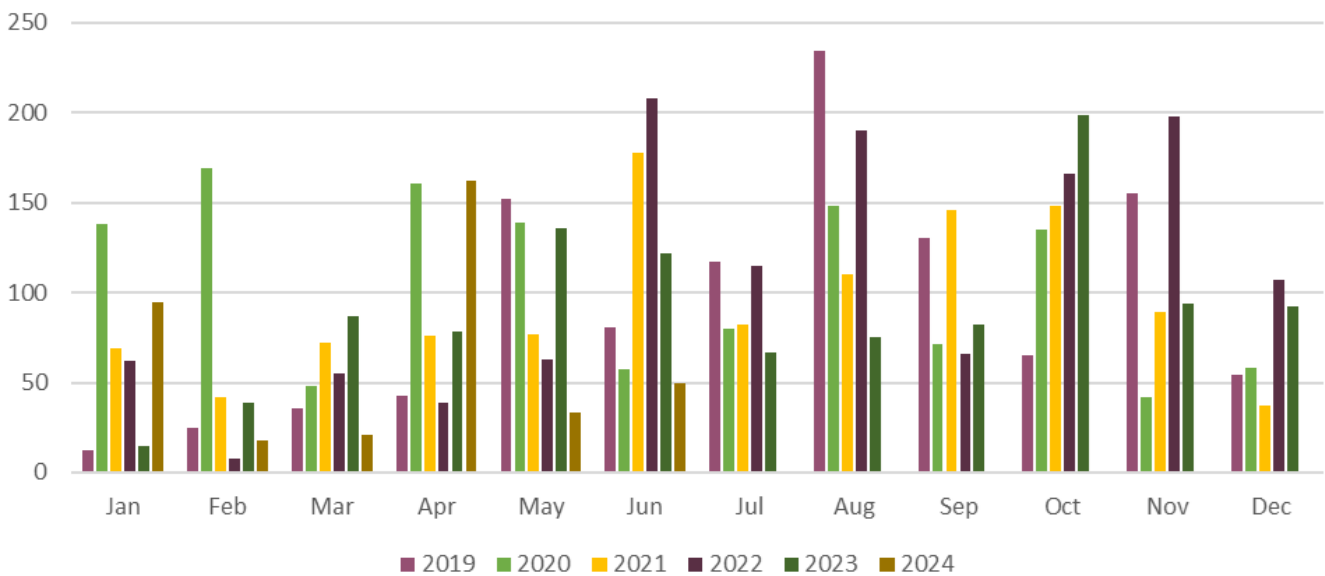
Enquire online at [bendigobank.com.au/healthcheck](http://bendigobank.com.au/healthcheck) or call your nearest branch on 5633 2783.

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Rainfall 2019 - 2024



Rainfall Record for 2024 and the five years prior, as recorded in McIntyre Road, Yarragon.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Tot to May	Total
2019	12	25	36	43	152	81	117	234	130	65	155	54	349	1104
2020	138	169	48	161	139	57	80	148	71	135	42	58	712	1246
2021	69	42	72	76	77	178	82	110	146	148	89	37	514	1126
2022	62	8	55	39	63	208	115	190	66	166	198	107	435	1277
2023	15	39	87	78	136	112	54	75	82	199	69	92	477	1086
2024	95	17	21	162	33	50							379	



# YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL & EARLY LEARNING CENTRE



## VICTORIA CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME (CDS VIC)

Yarragon Primary School and Early Learning Centre has been officially approved as a donation partner for Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme (CDS Vic).

We would love for you to support us by using our code when dropping off your cans and bottles at the depot.

*What can I return?* Most aluminium, glass, plastic and liquid paperboard (carton) drink containers between 150mL and 3 litres are eligible.

Look for the 10c mark on the drink container label. It is often located near the barcode. We recommend you don't crush containers.

We hope you can support us with our fundraising efforts.

Thank you in advance from everyone at *Yarragon Primary School & Early Learning Centre*

### CDS VIC DEPOT

- 4/15 PHOENIX ST, WARRAGUL

MON	8:00AM - 5:00PM
TUE	8:00AM - 5:00PM
WED	8:00AM - 5:00PM
THU	8:00AM - 5:00PM
FRI	8:00AM - 5:00PM
SAT	8:00AM - 4:00PM
SUN	8:00AM - 4:00PM



## WHAT ARE WE RAISING FUNDS FOR?

# A NEW AND IMPROVED PLAY GROUND



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## SISTERS IN ARMS

By Lilli Sim



On Saturday 8th June 2024 a special moment was shared for sisters Samara, Jaslyn & Makaela Webb who took the netball court together in C Grade. It was Makaela's first game back for the season post welcoming her beautiful little girl Willa into the world. A local Yarragon family, and long-time players at our Club, we loved watching you all out on court together.

## BBSC COMMUNITY GRANT RECIPIENTS

By Lilli Sim

On Thursday 23rd May 2024 we were very lucky recipients of a Baw Baw Shire Council Community Grant for new grandstand seating at our netball courts and our friends at Downton Park also received one for a new glasswasher.

A very big THANK YOU to the Baw Baw Shire Council and Ross, Deb & Gillian for attending on our behalf.



We are taking part in the TOYOTA Good for Footy Raffle this year. Just \$5.00 per ticket can win you a share in \$290,000 worth of prizes including 3 brand new Toyotas! For every ticket we sell,



we receive 100% of the proceeds. So support us and win yourself some awesome prizes. Tickets can be purchased through the QR code.



## JOIN THE PANTHER ARMY

By Lilli Sim Yarragon Football Netball Club

### The Panther Army needs YOU!

Are you looking to show your support to the YFNC in 2024? By purchasing a Panther Army Membership, you will be doing just that. As well as supporting our club financially, the Panther Army is just a really fun way of keeping in touch with past and present players.

- Panther Army Members receive free gate entry to all home games
- Panther Army Members and their children (no matter how many) play at Yarragon for free
- Panther Army Members are automatically entered into weekly cash draws year round (giving away approximately \$14,000 per year)
- Panther Army Members enjoy access to specific club functions throughout the season

For more information on how you can join the Panther Army, please email us [yarrafc@gmail.com](mailto:yarrafc@gmail.com) or contact Rod Pollock on 0409 019 525.

## SHOUTOUT TO OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS

By Lilli Sim

Our club relies heavily on our dedicated volunteers who give up their time and expertise to provide the safe, supportive and inclusive environment that our players, members and families get to enjoy.

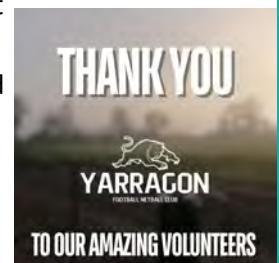
We would not be able to put our teams out on the ground and court every week if it wasn't for the tireless selfless efforts of our great volunteers.

It takes a village to raise a child, but it takes a community to make a Club.

The Yarragon Football Netball Club would like to take this opportunity to thank all our amazing volunteers; from the committee to our trainers, coaching staff & mentors, team managers, canteen & bar staff, the list goes on.

We see you & we appreciate each and every one of you!!

The future is looking bright for the Panthers, and we thank you for being a part of this great Club!



# YARRAGON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

By Lilli Sim



WOWEE what a month it has been for the Yarragon Football Netball Club!

We have approached what is traditionally the toughest part of the season as the mornings are colder and the nights are longer. But, more importantly we are at the halfway mark of the season where things are really starting to heat up. Our teams are in "heads down, bum up" mode and some teams who are sitting just outside the top 5 still have every chance to make finals. If June wasn't exciting enough, then what does July have in store for us? I can sense it's going to be something AWESOME!

Check out what's been happening in and around our club below. GO PANTHERS!!

## SEASON FIXTURE: JULY 2024

- Round 12: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 v's Poowong (Home)
- Round 13: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2024 v's Neerim South (Away)
- Round 14: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024 v's Ellinbank (Home)
- Round 15: Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024 v's Buln Buln (Away)
- Round 16: Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024 \*\* BYE \*\*
- Round 17: Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024 v's Trafalgar (Home)

## FOOTBALL & NETBALL LADDER POSITIONS AFTER ROUND 11

Seniors: 8<sup>th</sup>, Reserves: 8<sup>th</sup>, Under 16's: 8<sup>th</sup>  
 A Grade: 6<sup>th</sup>, B Grade: 11<sup>th</sup>, C Grade: 6<sup>th</sup>,  
 Under 17's: 4<sup>th</sup>, Under 15's: 7<sup>th</sup>,  
 Under 13's: 2<sup>nd</sup>

## SENIOR DEBUTANT: TY KEEBLE

Ty started playing football in 2016, when he was 9 years old in Under 10's here at Yarragon Juniors.



He's played all his footy in his hometown and during his junior years, played Interleague, was selected for the Hawks Academy as well as the Gippy All Stars. Last year, Ty won Yarragon's Under 16's B&F. Ty tends to play Midfield or Wing, as he's a skilful player with a fast pace, like his older brother Zak.

We are really proud of Ty for sticking with us when his team didn't get up this year. Ty made his senior debut for Yarragon on Saturday 25th May 2024 in our Round 8 clash against Longwarry. At only 16, Ty has a great football career ahead of him. Congratulations Ty!



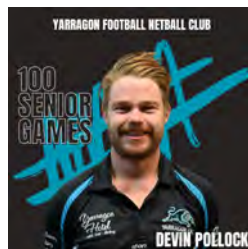
## JUNIOR MILESTONE GAME: AYDEN FROST

The Yarragon Football Netball Club would like to congratulate Ayden Frost on playing his 100th game for Yarragon on Saturday 8th June 2024 against Nilma Darnum.



Ayden would be halfway through his top age year in Under 14's this year but decided to step up and join the Under 16's in season 2024. What a super effort, well done Ayden!

## SENIOR MILESTONE GAME: DEVIN POLLOCK



The Yarragon Football Netball Club would like to congratulate Devin Pollock who played his 100th Senior game for the Panthers on Saturday 15th June 2024.

Not only is Devin a reliable player on the field, with great leadership skills, he is a versatile player who can go back in defence and head forward whenever the opportunity is there. And he's an awesome bloke all round. Congratulations again Dev on your milestone, we hope there's 100 more from you to come in the teal, black & white!

## ASSOCIATION CHAMPS 2024

Congratulations to our junior players and Karina Marcucci (Coach) who were named as part of the EDFNL & WDNA representative teams to play in the Association Championships on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 held in Sale.

### EDFNL Representatives

- Under 13's: Addison & Ava
- Under 15's: Charlotte & Mischa
- Under 17's: Aude & Gracie (Absent)

### WDNA Representatives

- Under 13's: Tayla
  - Under 15's: Chloe & Taylor
- You represented our Club with pride, and we couldn't be more proud of the way you all played.



# YARRAGON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

Our Thursday night meals are a club favourite! Save yourself the hassle of cooking and come on down to our social rooms and enjoy a two-course meal for only \$20.00. Juniors eat for \$10.00 (includes a free drink). ALL WELCOME!



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