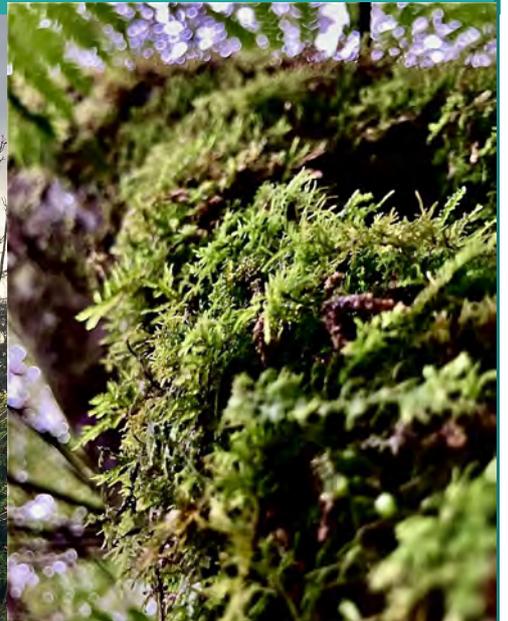


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**Q: Why do cows wear bells?**

**A: Because their horns don't work.**

Oscar

## TUESDAY

### CRAFT GROUP

9:30am–12:30pm  
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Join us for craft and laughs.

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## WEDNESDAY

### GARDENING GROUP

10:00am or 10:30am to lunch time  
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Share your knowledge and learn from other gardeners.



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

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### **Oscarism of the Month:**

*My face shouldn't be pink. I put spag bol on. (usually known as sunscreen)*

## 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 17 November



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**EARLY DEADLINE for  
December 2024 edition  
12 November  
12 noon**

## WHAT BIRD IS THAT IN MY ROOF?!?

By Margaret Young



Starlings! The bane of our life for many when they decide to live in our roof. I have just had a nest removed from my bedroom ceiling after being woken most mornings by scuffling sounds from above. Almost half a bale of hay was pulled out - very industrious birds. How did they manage to drag so much stuff through a very tiny gap between the tiles?! Now they are dancing on next door's roof complaining bitterly and plotting a way to get back in—but I am watching.



seeds and insects in lawns and paddocks as well as taking spiders, worms, household scraps and fruit crops such as cherries and grapes. They are a problem in orchards as they damage the fruit and leave their droppings. They often feed in large flocks fouling cattle feed in intensive feeding lots.

At breeding time Starlings build an untidy cup of grass, twigs and human rubbish in tree hollows and roof voids. They will drive out native birds. When the three or so pale blue eggs are hatched the chicks are raised by both parents.

Their call is harsh, chattering and wheezing—not melodic. They are noisy and unsightly when they decide to roost in shopping centres and parks...and the tree outside our railway station....contaminating the surrounding area with their droppings.

Doesn't sound like a bird to love, but, Starlings have one redeeming feature that has given us a beautiful word to roll around on your tongue.

Murmuration. It is the term used to describe huge flocks of individual starlings swirling around at dusk without bumping into each other as they select a roosting for the night. It also makes it harder for birds of prey e.g. Peregrine Falcons, to catch them.



Starlings are not native to Australia. They are found in Europe and England. They were brought here in the 1860s by English settlers and have become well established in Eastern Australia from Queensland, through New South Wales and Victoria to South Australia. So they can also be called English Starlings. There is a relative in Northern Queensland called the Shining or Metallic Starling. It has a lustrous black plumage.

The Common Starlings around here have varying plumage according to the season. In Autumn their new plumage is glossy black with purple and green metallic highlights and white spots on the end of their body feathers. Bills and legs are dark brown. In breeding season adults are all glossy black with yellow beaks and bills, so they are often confused with Blackbirds. Juveniles are dull grey brown.

Starlings feed on



Google 'Starlings' and search for YouTube clips from Europe of a murmuration of Starlings swirling about in flocks of thousand, an amazing sight. [Ed: lucky enough to see these in the Netherlands—truly amazing! CF]

## WHAT ARE THE EDITORS UP TO?

By Christina Flann, Debbie Churchill & Oscar Bijl

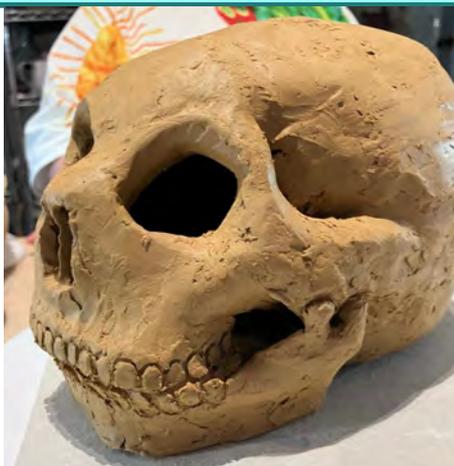
**Oscar:** Made a skull! And going to Japan!!

**Christina:** Also going to Japan!! Amazing Darnum Primary School trip. So excited.

**Debbie:** Getting ready for the Art exhibition (see p. 15). Busy

volunteering at the Station Gallery. My recently planted bare rooted roses are in bud! It's a commemorative rose garden for my family, including Soul Sister, Sister's Rose, Mother's Love, Father's Love, My Hero (that one's for my husband).

We held the front page in the hope that Foodworks would have moved, but due to our early edition we'll have to wait until next month to (hopefully) showcase that big news for Yarragon. Instead, enjoy our beautiful Yarragon (South) by Christina and Oscar.



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# YARRAGON CRAFT AND PRODUCE MARKET

By Anna Griffith



Saturday the 26th of October was a lovely day at Yarragon Craft and produce market. We had a great array of stalls at the hall with nearly 60 stalls. We have a great group of stall holders with our regulars. The weather is always up and down like at the start of the

month but we always manage to put on a good market.

We would like to thank everyone for putting on such a great market. Here's to another great market next month.



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By Amanda McLeod, BBSN



Are you thinking about buying an ELECTRIC CAR? Then this event is for you!  
Come along to the BBSN's Electric Car Expo! This is your chance to find out everything you need to know about buying an electric car. There will be dealers displaying a range of models and consumers with real life experience of ownership.

A panel of experts, including Rick Molloy, Secretary Vic branch of the Australian Electric Vehicle Association, will be available to answer all your questions.

**5:30 pm Thursday 28th November**

**Warragul Uniting Church Hall**

210 Sutton Street

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Left, the new MG X Power that Christina would love to own. Right, the more practical for the hill that we live on, Toyota BZ4X. (not necessarily at expo)



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Help design the future of the Latrobe Valley's mine lands

# Your Valley Your Future

@PollyannaR

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## What's it about?

Coal mining for energy generation in the Latrobe Valley is coming to a close. However, with rehabilitation, this will enable around 10,000 hectares of land (that's 2300 MCGs!) to become available for other uses.

What do you want to see?

- New energy parks
- Biodiversity corridors
- Affordable housing
- Tracks and trails
- Smart manufacturing
- Cultural centres
- All of the above!

**\$50 gift card per session**

**Panel representative of Latrobe Valley community**

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## Who?

Community members who live or work in the Latrobe Valley

## When?

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5:30-8:30 pm  
13/11, 20/11,  
27/11, 04/12

## How?

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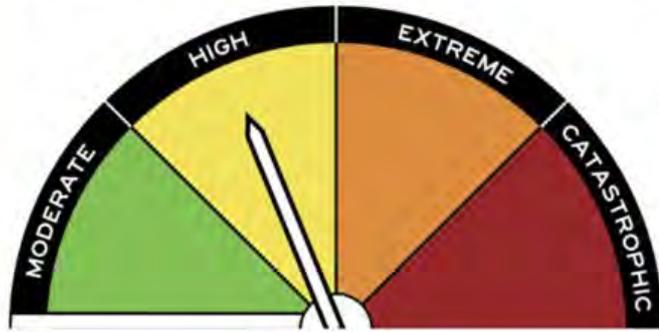


# FIRE DANGER RATINGS!

## What are they and what do they mean to you?

By Andy Holnan Community Safety Officer Yarragon Rural Fire Brigade

### The Australian Fire Danger Ratings (AFDRS) levels are:



<b>MODERATE</b> Plan and prepare	<b>HIGH</b> Be ready to act
<b>EXTREME</b> Take action now to protect life and property	<b>CATASTROPHIC</b> For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

This month, we are going to keep building on from the article in the September issue, which talked to starting your vegetation management around the house! Well, it has been a wild spring so far, and we've had a random assortment of weather patterns, leading to all kinds of conditions. Hot sunny days, extreme winds blowing over trees, followed by days of continuous rain. These weather conditions lead to more significant fire behaviour than what most might think. Increases in the growth of grass will build more fuel that can be consumed in a grass fire. I'm sure I'm not the only person in town that needs to mow there lawn twice a week to keep it under control at the moment! People will start to see the paddocks on the edge of town getting more length to the grass. A few warm days coupled with the wind will very quickly dry out grass, and the fire season will be on us before we know it.

As the weather continues to warm, you might start to see the Fire Danger Ratings arrow moving to a different direction on a metal sign, or a few different lights on the electronic signs around the place. These lights will have been dull for the past few months, but as the warmer weather nears, the lights will glow more frequently. If you drive towards Melbourne or the Latrobe Valley along the highway regularly, you will often drive past these boards!

Each colour represents a step in Fire Danger, and an associated with an Action, how you should prepare yourself and your family depending on where you live. This might mean cancelling plans to go see friends or family in the

bush, picking a different route to go to work, or even implementing your Bushfire Plan. There are four levels in the Fire Danger Ratings. (see above).

There are times where you might see 'No Rating', with the arrow pointing to the white bar below Moderate. These days are where there is no proactive action is required by the community. This does not mean that fires cannot or don't occur, but that any fires that start are not likely to move or act in a way that threatens the safety of the community. Victoria is spread into 9 separate Fire Weather

MODERATE	HIGH	EXTREME	CATASTROPHIC
<b>Plan and prepare.</b> Most fires can be controlled.	<b>Be ready to act.</b> Fires can be dangerous.	<b>Take action now</b> to protect your life and property. Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous.	<b>For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas</b> If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost.
Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire	There's a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area.  Decide what you will do if a fire starts.  If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bushfire risk areas.	These are dangerous fire conditions.  Check your bushfire plan and ensure that your property is fire ready.  If a fire starts, take immediate action. If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts.  Reconsider travel through bushfire risk areas.	These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire.  Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire.  Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before.  Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions. You may not be able to leave, and help may not be available.

Districts. The mapping of these Districts is based on weather and geological features which play a significant factor in the vegetation and fire behaviour. In Gippsland, they are then loosely aligned to our council boundaries to make it simple to remember. Yarragon (and all of Baw Baw Shire) is within the West and South Gippsland District. It only takes a quick drive along the highway to Bunyip before we transition into the Central District.

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# LION'S CLUB

By Alison Butterworth



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## 1<sup>st</sup> Prize



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize



\$400 Gift Voucher from Bunnings

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize



\$200 Gift Voucher supplied by Gippsland Food and Wine

Tickets will be on sale at the Op Shop as well as local shops for \$2.00 per ticket. The raffle will be drawn on December 18<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 11am outside the Op Shop. The winner will be notified and the results published in The Warragul Gazette in January 2025.

We now have a full range of our famous Lions Cakes available, as



well as some Plum Puddings. Dare I say it, but Christmas is getting closer. We have had a lot of donations lately so our shop is full of knick knacks that may just satisfy that discerning person that you need to buy a gift for.



**We Serve**



## Christmas Dinner

## Seniors'

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

St. Jarlaths Hall, Rollo Street

From 6.00pm

All Yarragon "Senior Citizens" are invited to join the Lions for a free Christmas gathering. Come along and catch up with old friends or make some new ones.

Our new President Peter Petschel and Vice President Sharon Gaul were sworn in by Ian Davies on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Peter has held this position before and we are sure he will deliver the same efficient leadership as in his previous stint.

We have two upcoming events for those interested to put in their diaries.

The Free Skin Cancer Screening Bus will once again be in Yarragon on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please call 0409 856 723 for an appointment. The checks are done by a qualified Dermoscopist and are non invasive. The bus will be at the Library bus site near Howard Park (in the carpark between the Post Office and the Public Hall)

The second date to note is the annual Seniors Dinner. This will be held in St Jarlath's hall on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Watch the newsletter for further details.

The Op Shop is has now a lot of spring and summer stock on the racks. Come on down and see if you can nab a bargain.

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# ART UPDATE

By Carol Monson

Sunday afternoon is often a wonderful time to do something a little different; something that has you sit up and take notice. On a very recent Sunday afternoon the Warragul VRI Hall, currently being refurbished by the Baw Baw Arts Alliance, provided space for poets to share the magic of their words with a receptive audience in the inaugural 'Poetry Bauhaus'.

The Baw Baw Arts Alliance has always had strong associations with Visual Arts but over the last few years has developed closer connections with writers to give them a more public voice. One of those writers is the indomitable Yvette Stubbs, painter and poet, who has created and developed the concept called 'Poetry Bauhaus'. It is hoped this will become a regular fixture in the Arts Alliance performance calendar when poets are given time and space to share their writing with others.

The VRI Hall was established in 1941 with a rich history of housing members of the Railway Institute, an angling club, dance groups and now members of the Creative Arts community. It is

an ideal environment in which people relaxed during readings, listened to music played on the upright piano and shared in afternoon tea.

Yvette is determined to offer opportunity for greater sharing of the work of writers of all levels of experience and talent. Rodney Williams, a widely published poet and co-ordinator of the Arts Alliance 'Writers' Group', was the guest reader and writer at the first 'Poetry Bauhaus' performance and he looks forward to the next function.

Other events related to the work of the Baw Baw Arts Alliance are the exhibitions at 'The Station Gallery', Yarragon. During the month of November the Mosaic group has its annual display of expert work under the title of 'Miles of Tiles' alongside a display of highly creative Christmas decorations.



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Also not to be missed with the present-buying season almost upon us is the Arts and Makers market run by the Alliance on the third Saturday of the Summer months. November 16 is the date for the next market at Civic Place, Warragul. Here you will be able to find hand created, one of a kind gifts for Christmas.

## OFF THE EASEL ART SALE

By Deborah Churchill

Creative Yarragon Art Group is having it's annual *Off the Easel* art sale on 2-3 November 10-4 Yarragon Hall Campbell St Yarragon.

Your chance to see this creative art group's work, peruse and purchase. Artists will be in attendance, demonstrating their art.

Gold coin donation at the door with proceeds going to Baw Baw Food Bank.



## REMINDER TO SIGN UP FOR THE KNIT A POPPY FOR ANZAC DAY – 2025 YARRAGON PROJECT

By Jan Cussen

ANZAC Day is a significant day of observance and reflection to honour the sacrifices made by our soldiers to ultimately provide us with the lifestyle and freedoms we enjoy today.

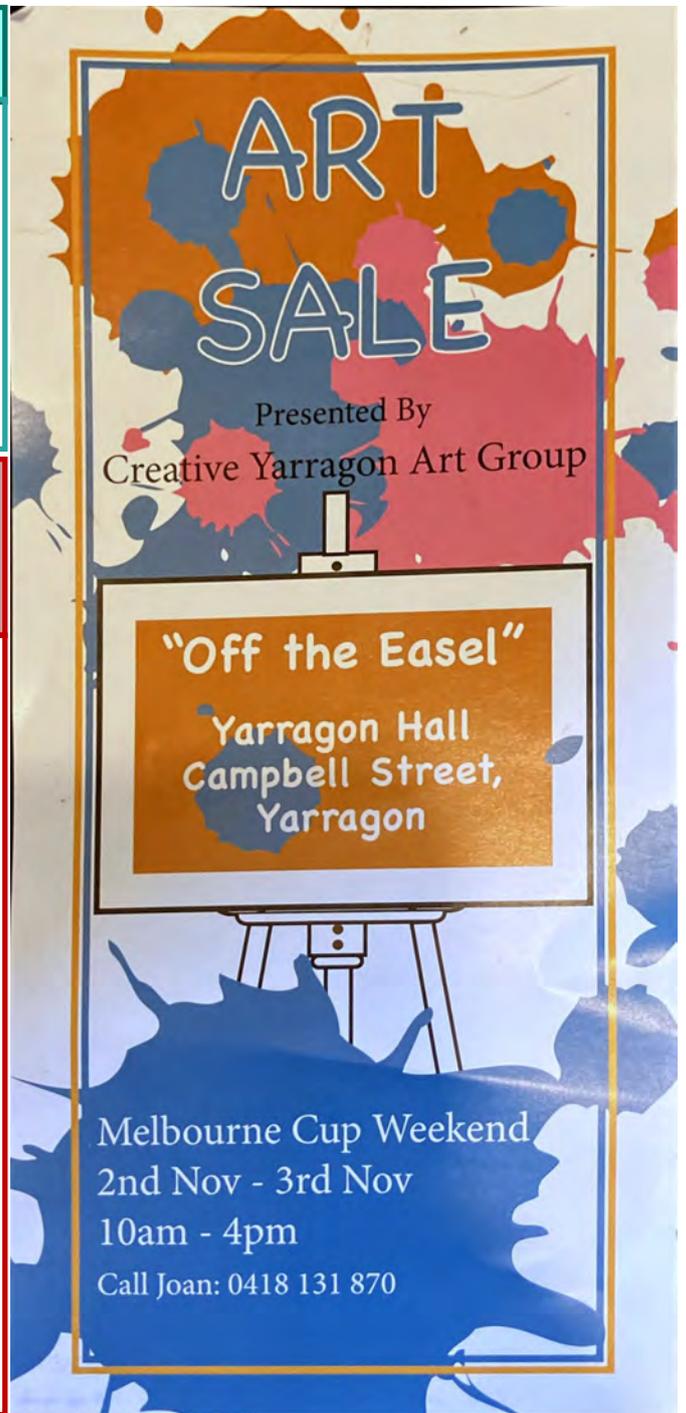
A beautiful way that craft has been involved is through the 5000 Poppies Project. [5000poppies.wordpress.com](http://5000poppies.wordpress.com)

Knitting poppies for ANZAC Day is a way of remembering, honouring and thanking our service men and women.

I think our main street and arcade would look beautiful in a sea of red poppies. I am reaching out to all the knitters in Yarragon who would like to make a contribution to this project. In coming editions we will provide details of the working bees, and how many poppies we need. The more we have, the more impact we will make for our town. If you have patterns for poppies let's share them. If you want more details before the next edition, please reach out to [yarragonnews@gmail.com](mailto:yarragonnews@gmail.com) for initial contact information. We will provide details of the fb page details soon.

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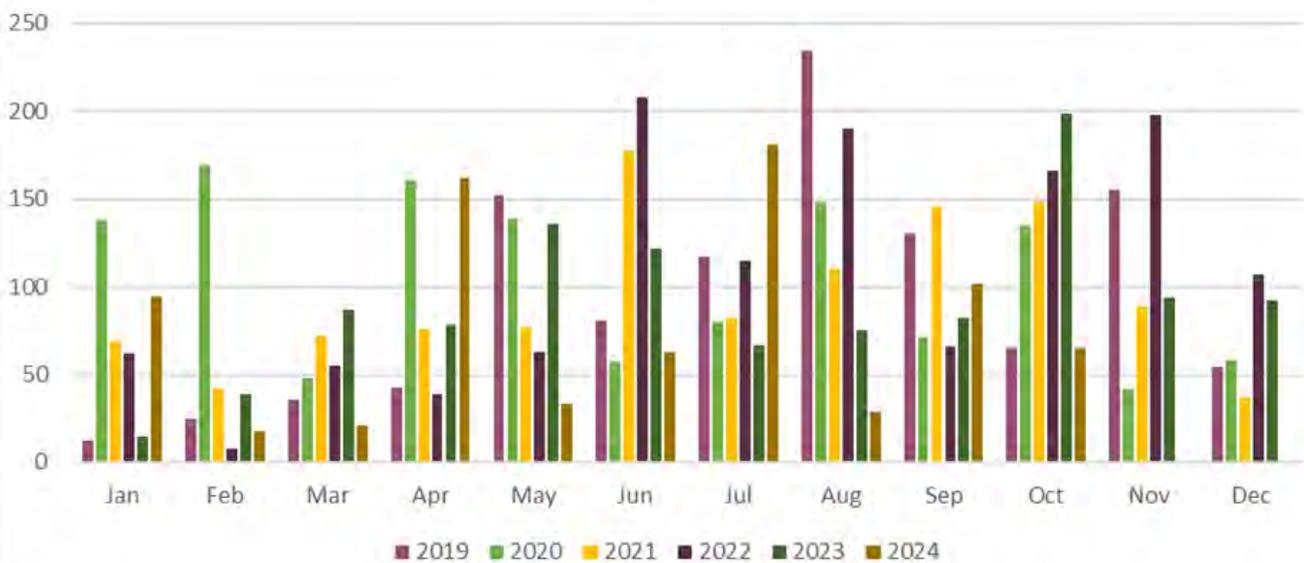
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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Tot to Sept	Total
2019	12	25	36	43	152	81	117	234	130	65	155	54	895	1104
2020	138	169	48	161	139	57	80	148	71	135	42	58	1146	1246
2021	69	42	72	76	77	178	82	110	146	148	89	37	1000	1126
2022	62	8	55	39	63	208	115	190	66	166	198	107	972	1277
2023	15	39	87	78	136	112	54	75	82	199	69	92	900	1086
2024	95	17	21	162	33	63	181	29	109	65			776	



# COUNCIL News.



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## Showcasing Baw Baw's local achievers!

**Nominations for Baw Baw Shire's 2025 Australia Day Awards are NOW OPEN.**



**Nominate a local achiever today in the following categories:**

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

Eligibility criteria apply.

Nominations close **12pm Friday 22 November, 2024.**

Scan the code to nominate today, or head to [bawbawshire.co/AustraliaDayAwards](http://bawbawshire.co/AustraliaDayAwards)



**HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO HELP**

## Shape Baw Baw for the next four years.

Expressions of Interest are now open to be on a Community Panel that will inform the development of the next Council Plan, as well as a suite of other strategic documents.

The Council Plan is a four-year roadmap that sets out and guides Council's strategic direction, objectives, and projects, all of which represent the work that Council does for our community. The Council Plan is developed in the first year of a Council term and makes progress towards the Baw Baw Shire Community Vision.

If you want to be involved, visit the dedicated Council Plan hub on Baw Baw Connect and put your name down. Here, you can also find out more about the other strategic documents to be developed as well!

This is a unique chance to work with Council and influence the path forward and help futureproof the Shire.

Visit [bawbawshire.co/ShapeBawBaw](http://bawbawshire.co/ShapeBawBaw) to find out more.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES IN BAW BAW.

A number of commemorative services will be held across Baw Baw Shire on Monday 11 November in honour of Remembrance Day.

Guests are encouraged to arrive 15 minutes prior to the beginning of the service.

To find out where your closest service is, Council has a full list on its website.

Visit [www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/RemembranceDay](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/RemembranceDay)

For enquiries, please contact your local RSL or Baw Baw Shire Council on 1300 229 229.



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# YARRAGON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB



# YARRAGON BOWLS CLUB

By Kaye McLaren, Secretary

Just like that we are back. Practice is in full swing and Pennant games have started. We are looking forward to some nice weather and some exciting games of bowls. It is also wonderful to see our members back at the club enjoying catching up and having fun.

Saturday Pennant kicked off on the 12th October at Warragul. We gave it our best effort but unfortunately we were defeated by Warragul on the day. Still the positive is we had a lot of good game play and practice for our next game which was held at home on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October against Traralgon.

Tuesday Pennant started on the 15th October at Drouin. Once again we had a good game, with great sportsmanship. Its been a positive start to the season.

Our bowling green is looking healthy and we are excited to welcome other clubs to our venue in the coming weeks for Pennant.

Thursday Pot Luck Night (BYO Meal) began on the 10th October, and was once again a success. Barefoot Bowling night started on the 17th October which featured a two course meal cost \$15.00 (\$10 for a child) for a game of bowls a BBQ meal. Please text or ring 0490831283 by the Tuesday before for catering purposes. These nights are a wonderful opportunity to come together, share delicious meals and enjoy great company.

Our Facebook sponsor of the week segment has proven to be very popular and a benefit to all.

This month we have featured: Nielsen Funerals Warragul and Yarragon Automotive.

Our last 3 weeks of October, we acknowledged businesses who have donated to our club. These included the:

- Yarragon Hotel, for the funds raised at the Friday night raffles earlier this year
- Yarragon Craft & Produce Market, who kindly donated funds to enhance our club
- Community (Bendigo Bank) Trafalgar & District, for their continued support
- Gippsland Copiers, for the supply of a much needed printer/photocopier and
- The Warragul Golf Club for supplying multiple venue vouchers.

Our newsletter acknowledges all of our valued sponsors and the businesses who donate to us of which we are grateful for their continued support.

We have conducted a couple of functions at the club in October.

Everyone was very impressed with the catering we had on offer as well as our facilities. We are pleased to offer our facilities for hire for all members and guests to enjoy.

We are already receiving many enquiries for Christmas functions, and we couldn't be more excited! These are always fun and lively events, perfect for bringing together friends, family, or colleagues. If you're looking for a wonderful venue with the added fun of a game of bowls, contact the club to book your special event. We'd love to help make your celebration memorable.

Our photos this month are of our special members and guests enjoying some fun on the green. Also our catering manager Glenda Beagley, who does an amazing job meeting the catering needs of all who both hire our venue and catering for our Barefoot Bowls.

## Our sponsors for the 2023/24 season:

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- Yarragon Foodworks
- Yarragon Lions Club
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- 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):  
*The new Function Coordinator is Tony Hiriart on 0429163532 for all bookings. Email: [yarragonbowls@gmail.com](mailto:yarragonbowls@gmail.com) [www.yarragon.bowls.com.au](http://www.yarragon.bowls.com.au)*  
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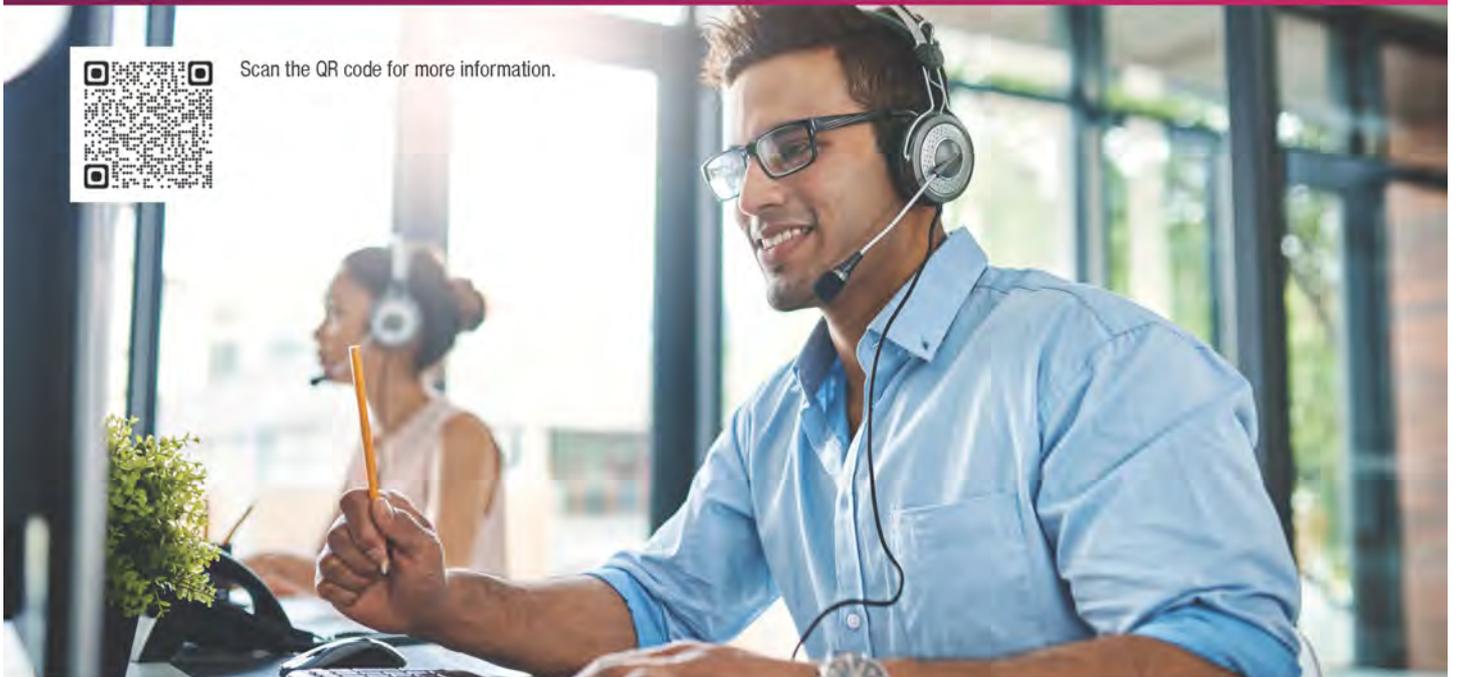
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