



Artists Exhibition held at Laharum Hall June 24-26

*There's always something happening in our community! The football netball season is getting close to finals and our local Artists Exhibition 'Earthly Elements' was a very successful event.*

*Laharum Hall looked so colourful with such a display of artists' work. Well done to those involved and for making the hall look such a picture!*

*I am very grateful to receive a donation of \$500 from Laharum Landcare Group and donation from Laharum Primary School; thank you! This is a wonderful support for the continued running costs of the Newsletter.*

*Liz Hopkins*

### Laharum Tennis Club



Laharum Tennis AGM is on **Wednesday August 10**, 7pm at Deb's house - 50 Reservoir Road, Laharum.

Please come along to have a say and support the future of the club. We need everyone to be involved.

We have a fun night!

**Deb Bunworth**



Colourful masks viewed at the Artists Exhibition

**The Image of Biodiversity**

Wimmera Biodiversity Seminar 25th

Thursday 1st September  
9:00 am  
From \$50

Includes tour of WAMA Conservation site  
Contact wimmera biodiversity seminar @hotmail.com

Location: Pomonal Community Hall, Ararat Halls Gap Rd, Pomonal



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@Wimmera Biodiversity Seminar  
@wimmerabiodiversity

Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wimmera-biodiversity-seminar-the-image-of-biodiversity-tickets-370187479717>



**Horsham Community**

**TREE PLANTING EVENT**

\*Bring gloves, closed in shoes.

Saturday 20th AUGUST  
11:00 am  
'Old Foundry' site Forsyth Avenue Horsham  
Bbq lunch provided  
Contact Annie Hobby 0407914498

**Laharum-Wartook Produce & Vegetable swap.**

Winter/Spring 2022 first Sunday each month at 10am



7th August Liz & Gil Hopkins  
287 Pohlner Rd Laharum

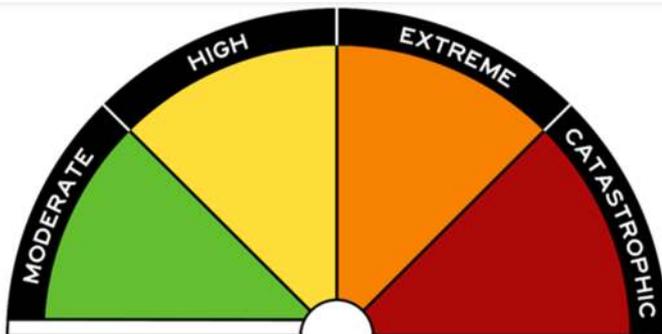
4th September Gill Venn  
1388 Brimpaen/Laharum Rd

2nd October Sue & Ross Floyed  
949 Snells Rd, Wartook

For further information contact Wendy McKinnon on 0428 840 662



**Australian Fire Danger Rating System**



Category	Fire Behaviour Index Range	Final community messaging
NO RATING	0 - 11	No proactive community action required
MODERATE	12 - 23	Plan and prepare
HIGH	24 - 49	Be ready to act
EXTREME	50 - 99	Take action now to protect life and property
CATASTROPHIC	100+	For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas



## LAHARUM PRIMARY SCHOOL IS 135 YEARS OLD!



### Preliminary Notification of our 135-year celebration

#### To our Laharum Families & Community

On **Saturday November 5, 2022** Laharum Primary School is celebrating its **135<sup>th</sup> birthday** and we would love you to join us in marking this special occasion.

Our ceremony will consist of an assembly and lifting of an historical time capsule as well as numerous photos and items from our past on display to commemorate this amazing achievement.

The school will be open from **10am** until **3pm** and details of the day's proceedings will be advised in the coming months.

Please mark this date in your calendar and share this information with other community members, friends and family. We look forward to sharing this day with our local community.

**Jenny Uebergang**, Office Administration

#### Laharum Hall Committee



Our members are talking with Laharum School staff and Council to help organise the 135 year School Celebrations on

**Saturday November 5**, and we are looking forward to a great community event.

The last major school celebrations were in 1987 for the School Centenary and Back-To, with many past students and teachers returning and reliving their 'good old days'.

As usual we will be applying for funds to help maintain and improve our Hall. If you have suggestions about what else we could provide, please contact Gil on 0490 830769 or Judy 0417 056219. Please contact Judy for bookings of the hall or its equipment.

**Gil Hopkins**

#### Knitknax & Knitwitz

The group meets weekly on Mondays from 3-5pm at Redrock Bookshop & Gallery 5381 0866.

#### Gariwerd Artists

Thanks to everyone who helped make our exhibition 'Earthy Elements' such a success. All the artists really appreciated the support from the local community and beyond. Everyone worked hard to ensure the success of this exhibition. See photos page 11 & front page.

We will meet again at the end of July to discuss future meeting dates for the group.

If you would like to join us and you're not already on our mailing list, please let me know via email

[gill\\_venn@yahoo.com.au](mailto:gill_venn@yahoo.com.au)

**Gill Venn**

**NURSE ON CALL**  
**1300 606 024**

#### Laharum Landcare Group



We celebrated National Tree Day on July 31 by planting connecting windbreaks on Heron's property, and given the wet ground and expected rainfall, we expect them to grow well. If you are interested in reconnecting and revegetating natural areas, please contact Wendy on 0428 840662.

Our meeting on June 14 at Laharum Hall started with a shared casserole meal and a great variety of food. Then we watched the short film 'Regenerating Australia' which looked at ways we could work together and with the environment to produce a more viable, hopeful and liveable future for all of us, and for all the plants and animals in our environment. People also marked on maps where noxious weeds, rabbits, etc occur, so we can target these areas.

Weeds will be more of a problem this year, and we expect to have sessions on identifying and treating some of the local noxious weeds in our area. Bridal Creeper has been growing well all year and now is the time to spray it. Please contact me at [giliz@activ8.net.au](mailto:giliz@activ8.net.au) for more detailed information.

Our spray trailer is being refurbished so we may have to work out other options. We expect a rabbit-ripping program will soon occur on some roadsides, and rabbit and fox controls will be occurring. We are also applying for funds for more information and demonstration sessions next year.

**Gil Hopkins**, Vice President 0490 830769

#### Brimpaen Craft Group



**Tuesday August 2**, Bring your own craft.

**Tuesday September 6**, Folded star – bring four strips of material 3" X 13", scissors, pair of tweezers, 1 small bulldog clip.

**Tuesday October 4**, Make bon bons – bring trinkets to put in bon bons.

All activities are 10am-3pm at Brimpaen Hall.

**Loretta Emerson**

#### Wonwondah Landcare Group



Wonwondah Landcare Group is planning to visit a Pigeon Ponds property to be shown the benefits of fencing to soil types and contours for stock management and pasture improvement. This will be a bus trip in late September and if this interests you, please contact us for a seat.

A new bait spreader has been ordered as the old Vermeer has done a huge amount of work and the problem is not going away.

Warwick Stone an Agronomist, spoke to group members about the two years he worked in Canada. He highlighted the similarities of cropping there, only they deal with snow and it is a short growing season. The inputs are much higher and harvest is done in a communal style operation and the grain had to be dried. It was very interesting.

Our next meeting will be in October.

**Chris Guest**

## Laharum's Biggest Morning Tea



As reported in the June Newsletter, the total amount of \$1,080 was raised at Laharum's Biggest Morning Tea in May this year. This was the community's 17<sup>th</sup> event!

Over the 17 years of Cancer Council fundraising, the extended community has raised a total of **\$27,579**. What a tremendous effort from our community and those who attended!!

This total amount included our raffles, 'bring & buy' stalls and sponsorship. We have been fortunate to have had various guest speakers; help from Laharum Primary School students with serving food and washing dishes; help from Uniting Wimmera (previously called Wimmera UnitingCare) and also entertainment from Cynthia & Tony Lawrance and 'Local Vocals'.

As well as donating funds to Cancer Council Victoria, we have also given funds to Wimmera Cancer Centre, Rachael's Wish Foundation, Fiona Elsey Cancer Research Institute and Wimmera Hospice Care.

These have been very successful Cancer Council fundraisers and a great way for the community to come together over morning tea, lunch and a cuppa for such important causes!

**Liz Hopkins**, Facilitator

## Wonwondah Hall

Wonwondah Hall Committee will be catering for the Black Range Motocross Endurance Race on **Sunday August 14** at Bell family property, end of Clark's Lane at Mockinya. Spectators are welcome. Website - <https://horsham-mcc.com/event/black-range-enduro-14-august-2022/>

**Sunday October 23** – Fleece and Flower Show.

Afternoon tea and guest speaker (to be announced). See the judged fleeces and a lovely display of flowers, children's craft and garden produce. Donations of fleeces for judging, please contact Andrew Bell on 0427 811779 or me on 0438 304948.

**Saturday December 10** – Christmas Tree. Bring the kids along to see Santa!

**Sue Ahern**

## North West Grampians Branch of Horsham Lions Club



Our August meeting has been moved to **Tuesday August 9** at 6.30pm, Laharum Hall Supper Room.

On Tuesday July 26 we joined the Horsham City Lions for a 'Christmas in July' dinner meeting where the district Governor of Lions was the guest speaker.

Driver Reviver was a little quieter last school holidays due to the cold weather. It will take some time to build visitor numbers after Covid.

The football gates have been very busy with only one more to 'man' for this year on **Saturday August 6**.

Please contact Mal Griffiths on 0427 884874 if you'd like to hire our barbecue trailer.

**Libby Peucker**

President, Keith Fischer 0417 691000

## Laharum Cricket Club



We have passed the halfway mark of winter, days are getting longer and it is time to start thinking cricket again - well for those who stop thinking about cricket anyway!

The 2022/23 season is fast approaching with our AGM to be held at 12 Ballinger Street, Horsham on **Sunday August 7** at 11am. All are welcome to attend.

It is planned that we continue to field both senior and junior teams for the upcoming season along with a women's team in the new HCA women's grade.

Potential junior grades - Under 16.5; Under 14; Under 12; Woolworths Junior Blasters (Beginners).

Anyone interested in playing in any of the junior grades or the women's team, please contact Ben Peucker, Josh Mahoney or drop a message on our Facebook page.

The presentation luncheon for the 2021/22 season was held at the Laharum clubrooms on Sunday June 26.

### C Grade Awards -

- Batting Aggregate, 2021/22: Tristan March, 132 runs @ 18.86
- Batting Average, 2021/22: Daniel Mibus, 125 runs @ 41.67
- Bowling Aggregate, 2021/22: Matthew Whelan, 12 wickets @ 9
- Captain's Award, 2021/22: Tom Murray
- Peter Levey Memorial Award, 2021/22 Season, Daniel Mibus (260 points)

### B Grade Awards -

- Batting Aggregate, 2021/22: Daniel Griffiths, 398 runs @ 31.55
- Batting Average, 2021/22: Ben Peucker, 334 runs @ 41.75
- Bowling Average & Aggregate, 2021/22: Josh Mahoney, 22 wickets @ 10.86
- Captain's Award, 2021/22: Chamo Wilfred
- Queale-Bunworth Cricketer of the Year, 2021/22 Season, Ben Peucker (584 points)

### Club/Career Awards -

- Legend's Award: Jude Borlase
- Frank Clark Memorial Bowling Aggregate 2021/22 Josh Mahoney 22 wickets

President's Award jointly to Brian Burke and Pat Herson for their tireless efforts maintaining the oval and facilities.

- Matthew Whelan: 5 for 14, C Grade, Round 11 vs Blackheath/Dimboola
- Jim McInnes: 5 for 24, B Grade, Round 4 vs Lubeck/Murtoa

As with every club, we couldn't do it without our great sponsors: Australian Wildflowers, Horsham Hydraulics, O'Brien & Smith Lawyers, Horsham Family Health Care, Best Hire, Cellarbrations and Royal Hotel.

If you have any questions about cricket, please contact Josh Mahoney 0427 748943 or myself on 0408 011319.

**Ben Peucker**

## Laharum Rural CFA



Laharum Fire Brigade has had 2 call-outs since the last newsletter. Our members attended a deliberately lit fire in a car which was stolen from a property near Green Lake. The car was well alight when crews arrived. See photo page 12. It's worth noting that there has been an increase of vehicles being stolen across the area, so please think about locking vehicles when not in use. Secondly, we supported Green Lake for a tractor fire.

**Strike Team Configuration** - Recently District 17 has changed a few things in relation to Strike Teams. Instead of having six main teams, it's been brought back to four. A Northern Team, Central Team, Southern Team and an Eastern Team. The Grampians Group will be a part of the Eastern Team (Strike Team 1704) with Horsham and Dunmunkle Groups. Brimpaen Tanker 1 will be the designated tanker from the Grampians Group again. The Grampians Group Fire Command Vehicle (FCV) will be utilised when it's the Grampians Group's turn to supply a Strike Team Leader. Otherwise it could be either Dunmunkle or Horsham's FCV.

**Tanker 2 Update** - Fingers crossed our new tanker is due to arrive in August. We'll definitely keep the community informed when updates are provided.

**Winter Home Fire Safety/Fire Preparedness** - Across the State and the nation recently, there's been a few house fires where lives have unfortunately been lost. This is a massive reminder for everyone to check and test for the auditability of their smoke alarms and make sure they work. In some of the recent cases, smoke alarms did not work. If you hadn't replaced the batteries when daylight savings ended last time, please do so ASAP.

As summer is only four months away, just another friendly reminder to continue the clean-up of fuels around your property. Like always, if you want to burn some piles of sticks etc, please register your burn off using the 'Burn Off' Notification number **1800 668511**.

**Training/Recruitment** - Many members may be getting notifications or emails indicating that their Entrapment Drill and Hazardous Trees accreditations are expiring soon. The Brigade will start organising refreshers for both courses in the next few months, which can be available for all Grampians Group members.

Recently we've had a couple of new members complete the General Fire Fighter course to become operational members of the brigade. We currently have a few more in the process of getting started to complete the same course and will most likely be completed before the upcoming fire season.

A couple of weeks ago the Grampians Group had a Road Accident Awareness Information Session which was well attended by over 20 group members with a variety of accident knowledge. It was well worth it. Also just recently Laharum Brigade had three more members complete the Low Voltage Fuse Removal Course.

Before the upcoming season, Grampians Group will plan a group training day - details to be confirmed. A great opportunity for new members to be involved and meet others from the group and gain new skills.

A couple of months ago Laharum Fire Brigade received a donation of \$5,000 from the late Brian Winfield. On behalf of the brigade we'd like to thank the family of Brian for this kind donation. The brigade will use this

donation and put it towards our new Tanker 2 and other equipment the brigade may need.

If anyone has any brigade queries, please feel free to contact me on 0428 838242 or Francoise Thornton-Smith on 0484 909150.

**Luke Dumesny, Captain**



## Grampians Brushes 22 – Halls Gap

**Saturday September 10–Thursday September 15**

**Community Club CALL OUT!** Be a part of our production team for set-up/pack-up of workshop spaces! Grampians Brushes will make a donation towards the club for volunteering time in assisting with production.

We will require a crew of at least 9+ (some muscles are required for heavy lifting – if any)!

**Dates and details –**

**Set-up: Friday September 9** from 9:30am–12noon plus an hour or two with only a few of the crew in the afternoon if required.

**Pack-up: Thursday September 15** from 3:30–5:30pm.

Please contact Adelle for more information on 0493 430312 (*leave a message and I'll call back!*)

Email: [brushes@grampianarts.com.au](mailto:brushes@grampianarts.com.au)

The annual workshop program is for painters and print makers and provides an opportunity for participation in two, four or six days workshops with some of Australia's best artists and tutors for introduction level to experienced artists. Each year sees some favourite tutors return along with new tutors offering workshops to entice you to explore different mediums, techniques and processes.

**Workshop options -**

2 day workshop: **Saturday/Sunday September 10/11**

4 day workshop: **Monday-Thursday September 12–15**

6 day workshops: **Saturday-Thursday September 10–15**

All workshops run from 9am–4pm.

There are still some workshop spaces available! Check online at [www.grampianarts.com.au](http://www.grampianarts.com.au) and click on Grampians Brushes to see the line-up of tutors on offer this year.

As part of our opening night **Friday September 9** from 5pm, we will have an artist market open to everyone to come and buy direct from the artists. The GrampianArts Market Place will be situated at the Halls Gap Centenary Hall with Seniors Art Supplies who will be selling specialist art supplies, Dairing selling speciality papers and textiles, Red Rock Books with art books and Fibreworks hand dyed fibres.

Grampians Brushes is a project of GrampianArts, a not-for-profit organisation that strives to provide opportunities for artists to extend their skills and showcase their work. Phone 0493 430312

Email: [brushes@grampianarts.com.au](mailto:brushes@grampianarts.com.au)

**Adelle Rohrsheim**

## SEEKING PHOTOS

Anyone who took photos of people working on **Laharum Hall Murals in 2001** at The Pottery (now The Wander Inn), please contact me on 0490 830769.

**Gil Hopkins**

## Education News



Second semester of the school year has started with all programs in place for enriching our students learning. The 10-week swimming program has commenced and with few students, the private tuition will result in water safety and swimming life skills being consolidated. This program is invaluable and fully funded by our swimming budget. We are also embracing our local environment by visiting local rock art shelters for our indigenous studies relating to art and history.

At the conclusion of Term 2 we participated in the annual tree planting morning with Laharum Landcare. Thank you to Annie Hobby and Wendy for organising the plants and guards. The rain has been very timely to assist in establishing the trees in our yard. Our Year 6 students concluded their golfing sessions with a round of golf at Horsham Golf Course. The lunch may have been a highlight too!! See photos page 12.

**Celebration – Saturday November 5** has been set as the date to Celebrate Education at Laharum and open the Time Capsule that was placed in the school grounds at the Centenary, and added to a few years later.

School Council wish to acknowledge the community groups which have supported and worked with the school over time and enable these groups to play a role in the celebration. Further information will be conveyed closer to the date. An assembly will be held in the morning and the school shall remain open for viewing memorabilia.

We have bushfire maintenance works to attend to in the next couple of months. Strict guidelines dictate what we must do within the school site. Unfortunately some trees do need to be lopped or removed; as a keen gardener this action always causes some anxiety!

Upgrade works have been assigned to Laharum Primary – painting, repairs and upgrades for flyscreens and doors for the Mod 5. There will be various trades involved and we hope all works are completed by the time our celebration in November comes around.

Please promote the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 135 Year Celebration to anyone who has been a part of the school – especially in the last 35 years as they missed the centenary celebrations. For any queries, please contact the school on 5383 6202 or speak with a School Council member.

Jane McLean, Principal

### DOB IN A LITTERER

1300 372 842 (1300 EPA VIC)

Report pollution of the environment  
to the 24 hour EPA pollution hotline

*The editor reserves the right to reduce the size of articles so the Newsletter fits 12 pages. Opinions expressed in any articles are not necessarily those of the editor. Please contact the author of the article for further discussion.*

## Horsham Rural City Landcare Facilitator



Landcare groups in the area have had a few events over the last little while and are preparing for more. In Horsham, the Repair Café grand opening was a big hit with a good crowd and plenty of repairs done. Some items repaired include clothing, jewellery and a small heater. Some items were not able to be repaired so we suggest those bringing items get in touch to see if we have the skills to repair them. We are also looking for more volunteer repairers, so if you have some time and would like to be involved, come along to our sessions and see what we're all about! We meet on the **4th Saturday** of each month at Horsham Senior Citizens Hall from 2-5 pm.

There will be several tree planting sessions happening locally over the next month. Laharum Landcare ran a plant out on Sunday July 31 and there will also be a community planting day in Horsham on **Saturday August 20**, 11am at the old Foundry site. Please register your interest and for more information contact me on [annie.hobby@hrcc.vic.gov.au](mailto:annie.hobby@hrcc.vic.gov.au) or call on 0407 914498.

Wimmera Biodiversity Seminar is back this year in real life on **Thursday September 1**, 9am at Pomonal Hall. This year's theme is 'The Image of Biodiversity' and we'll hear from a range of speakers on technology, art and nature, local projects and more. For the first time we'll also be running a photo competition for images of the Wimmera. See posters page 2.

For more information see the facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/wimmerabiodiversityseminar> or register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wimmera-biodiversity-seminar-the-image-of-biodiversity-tickets-370187479717>.

Victorian Landcare grants are open now. These grants fund weed and pest control, revegetation, community events and engagement activities. If you've got ideas, get in touch with Laharum or Wonwondah Landcare Groups or chat to me on 0407 914498.

Annie Hobby, Landcare Facilitator

## Yoga at Laharum Hall



Yoga will resume in Term 4 at Laharum Hall. Please contact me on 0417 056219 if you're interested in attending for the first time.

Judy Berendsen

## Available for Hire

Laharum Hall Trestles and Chairs  
Reasonable rates

Laharum History books are available for \$10  
Contact Judy Berendsen on 0417 056219



**New appointment** - Horsham Rural City Council has welcomed the appointment of Municipal Monitor Jude Holt, a finance and governance professional of 30 years' experience, to help guide the Councillor team in the coming months until the end of January 2023. This appointment was made at the request of Council and all Councillors.

**Mode Shift Incentive Scheme essential** - The Mode Shift Incentive Scheme (MSIS) will be extended for another year, effectively keeping rail freight viable for Wimmera Intermodal Freight Terminal rail operator SCT and attempts to curb the ever rising number of trucks on Wimmera roads which is vitally important for the region's Councils.

Under the program, SCT receives a small rebate for the cost of each container it puts on rail instead of sending it by road. About 15,000 containers of hay, grain and pulses are moved by rail per year on the service which runs three days per week.

**Planning for Horsham Seniors Festival 2022** - After two years of Covid disruption, HRCC is hoping to partner with community organisations, groups and businesses to make the 2022 Horsham Seniors Festival extra special. The month long festival will run throughout October this year, offering a range of affordable and accessible events for seniors to participate in. The Seniors Concert is to be held at Horsham Church of Christ on **Friday October 21**.

**HRCC and WIM Resource sign MoU** - HRCC has adopted a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with WIM Resource Pty Ltd (WIM) that formally maps out how a proposed Avonbank Mineral Sands Project (Avonbank Project) mine at Dooen would be mutually beneficial for stakeholders and the region. Located about 15km northeast of Horsham, WIM anticipates mining the mineral sands ore body over a period of approximately thirty years. It will supply heavy mineral concentrate containing zircon, ilmenite, and minor rare earth by-products to offshore markets. Project leaders have marked 2024 for mining operations to start, subject to approvals and funding. Predictions are that the Avonbank mine will generate millions of dollars for the Horsham district economy and about 650 direct and indirect jobs per annum for the City of Horsham. WIM will seek public review of the Avonbank Project Environment Effects Statement (EES) in late 2022, once the EES is placed on public exhibition.

**Horsham skate park plan promises regionally significant attraction** - An ambitious new plan for the Horsham Skate Park is now open for public comment, which sees the site re-imagined as a regionally significant park offering a wide range of activities, including skate boarding. The plan has been developed through a series of community engagements to identify the main uses, and potential new uses for the park. A community reference group with representatives from several user groups has provided input into the new design. The new plan features universally accessible play equipment, dirt tracks and jumps, pump track, multi-generational play space, a ninja course, half basketball court and an extension to the existing skate facilities.

To view the plans and provide feedback, community members can visit [hrcc.vic.gov.au/have\\_your\\_say](http://hrcc.vic.gov.au/have_your_say), attend a face-to-face feedback session or visit Council reception. All submissions must be received by **Friday August 19**.

**Livestock Exchange farewells Gordon Fischer** - After 20 years of service Gordon Fischer is resigning from his position on the Horsham Regional Livestock Exchange (HRLE) Board. He has been the Livestock Carrier (transport industry) representative on the HRLE Board and has been extremely valuable in his contributions to the operations of the regional facility. The Horsham Regional Livestock Exchange is the fourth largest sheep and lamb market in Victoria.

**Victorian Government energy support for businesses and households** - The cost of living is going up, and the Victorian Government is playing a role in supporting Victorians who are paying more for power than they should. The **Victorian Energy Upgrades** program provides businesses with upfront incentives to reduce their energy use and bills, with discounts on efficient equipment such as water heaters, space heaters and commercial and industrial gas boilers.

The Victorian Government is suggesting actions households can take to ease the pressure of rising energy bills, through simple actions and taking up government support programs. This program gives households access to discounted products to save energy, including efficient hot water and heating systems, door and window sealing, and in-home displays for real-time data on energy use.

Households can also reduce energy bills significantly by installing solar PV or switching to electric appliances. The Government's **Solar Homes** program offers households rebates on solar PV, solar hot water, batteries and efficient heating and cooling.

**Domestic Animal Management Plan approved** - Council has approved the Domestic Animal Management Plan (DAMP) which will be in place from 2022 to 2026. The new DAMP has been developed through two phases of community consultation and in line with regulatory and legislative requirements. The plan outlines how Council will manage dogs and cats within its municipal boundaries. To view the new Domestic Animal Management Plan, people can visit the [Council website](#).

**Susan Surridge**, Co-ordinator Community Relations & Advocacy

**Police Assistance Line**

**131 444**

Call us any time to report  
non-urgent crimes and events



We are open Friday & Saturday nights for dinner and also Saturdays & Sundays for lunch and afternoon tea.

Take away fish & chips and pizza are available Friday, Saturday & Sunday also.

Bookings are essential due to limited numbers.

Ring 5383 6388 or via Facebook on <https://www.facebook.com/TheWanderInn/>

**Dianna**

## CFA District 17



### Australian Fire Danger Rating System

(AFDRS) - You may have noticed some media starting to come out around the new nationwide standard AFDRS and the change from Fire Danger Index to Fire Behaviour Index. Introductory training is now available for this on the CFA Learning Hub via [www.members.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.members.cfa.vic.gov.au) and we encourage members to learn about it. There's also an extensive FAQ page which explains how it works and will be rolled out. See chart page 2.

For this fire season, we'll be using a combination of the new system and the old system for our hot day activations, and harvest messaging will still be on the old system for the time being. We expect to transition to the new system over the next year or two.

The road signs will all be replaced after **Thursday September 1**, so you'll see them change at Dadswells Bridge and Wonwondah to the new format.

**Fire Reports** - The online Fire Reporting System will now accept both primary and secondary reports. I can provide some assistance with submitting reports.

**New Membership Process** - New memberships and transfers are now totally online. Please direct anyone interested in joining to the CFA website [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au) and go to the Volunteering section to begin an expression of interest to join a brigade.

**Louise McGillivray**, BASO District 17 CFA  
[l.mcgillivray@cfa.vic.gov.au](mailto:l.mcgillivray@cfa.vic.gov.au)

## Library Collection Lockers & Returns Bin at Laharum Hall

Wimmera Libraries in conjunction with HRCC and Laharum community, is returning limited library services back to the Laharum community.

Collection Lockers and a Returns Bin are installed at the front of Laharum Hall.

Wimmera Library patrons can now place 'holds' on items and choose Laharum as their pickup location. Requested items will be checked out to the patron and placed into a locker. Patrons will receive a notification with a unique code to access the locker. Patrons can also ring their local library branch to organise items to be sent out to Laharum.

All Wimmera Library items can be returned into the Returns Bin, even if it was borrowed at another Wimmera Library branch.

Access to the lockers and Returns Bin are 24/7.

**Jenelle Patterson**, Support Services WRLC

## Laharum Football Netball Club



It's very hard to believe that we are approaching the end of football netball 'home & away' games. Only three matches to go and one 'home' match before the finals.



On **Saturday August 6**, our last home game, we will be holding our 'Goods & Services Auction', so please support the club with donations if possible.

While the Seniors and Reserves won't be in the finals for 2022, they have done very well to put two teams together every week.

The Under 14s however, are sitting on top of the ladder at present, having won every game!

A Grade Netball is in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and having a good season also.

The BC & C Reserve Netballers are close to making finals.

Some of Laharum's A Grade Netballers competed in the Demons Football Women's Competition grand final last weekend to be Runners-up against Hamilton in the WVFF league - 5.3 (33) to 2.9 (21).

Under 17s netballers are close to playing finals, but the Under 15s will miss out this year. The Under 13s, with a great group of 13 keen netballers, are sitting 2<sup>nd</sup> on the ladder.

Many thanks to all the amazing volunteers around our wonderful club. It certainly takes a mountain of time and effort to keep clubs going. Your support is really appreciated!

**Phantom!**

## Grampians Olive Co

Farm shop open Monday to Friday  
11am-4pm.

Closed weekends and public holidays.

*Serving platters and freshly roasted coffee.*

*Organic olive oils, olives, infused oils, honey, vinegars, dukkah, gift packs.*

After hours pick-up available and free delivery for orders over \$100 - [www.grampiansoliveco.com.au](http://www.grampiansoliveco.com.au)

**Greg Mathews** 5383 8299



### Reminder

### Laharum Hall subs due!

\$10 per adult

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## FIRE BRIGADE TRUCK ROSTERS August-September 2022 IN CASE OF FIRE DIAL 000



The trucks need to be driven at least 30km a week, and water pumped for at least 5 minutes. Fuel, tyres, lights checked. Refuel if less than ¾ full. **Fill in the log book.** Immediately report any problems to the Captain.

Captains are: Laharum - **Luke Dumesny 0438 838242**; Brimpaen - **Ken French 5380 1500**.

Truck radio will be on Vicfire Channel 517 for emergency callout (VHF Channel 10 for Grampians Group)  
Call Grampians Remote 275# before taking the truck on a run. When returning change back to 517#

### LAHARUM

*There have been many changes to this roster and more still occurring.  
Your rostered week as paged/SMS'd may be earlier than printed in the newsletter.*

Week	Tanker 1		Tanker 2	
	Name	Name	Name	Name
01/08/2022	Andrew Crawford	Marieka Dam	Mal Griffiths	Stuart Combe
08/08/2022	Rob Launder	Paul Johnson	Rob McInnes	Htoo Kaw Jah
15/08/2022	Damien Knight	Daniel Berendsen	Mark Uebergang	Vicky Stevens
22/08/2022	Jo Gardner	Charlotte/Ambrose/ Reuben	Maurice Dumesny	Ray Zippel
29/08/2022	Allan Parfett	Jack Shields	Luke Dumesny	Leigh Mibus
05/09/2022	Brad Geue	Jenny McInnes	Tim Martin	Jenny Uebergang
12/09/2022	Gary Staehr	Mark Mintern	Paul van der Plank	Glenn Steadman
19/09/2022	Steve Suter	Caroline Geue	Mark Francisco	Beth McGennicken
26/09/2022	Gil Hopkins	Rob Staehr	Campbell Ellifson	Angus Martin
03/10/2022	Jim Carter	Nigel Hallam	Stuart Gardner	Flip Stein

### BRIMPAEN

Week	Tanker 1		Tanker 3	
	Driver	Support	Driver	Support
Week	Name	Name	Name	Name
01/08/2022	Andrew Chincarini	Kerryanne, Tristan & Hugo	Jamie Parfett	Caroline Price
08/08/2022	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt	Luke Dunn & Josh Dunn	Rod Miller
15/08/2022	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Steve Jager	Ben Starick
22/08/2022	Des Roberts	Christine Roberts	Peter McGennicken	Ra McGennicken
29/08/2022	Vacant	Vacant	Courtney Dunn	Shannon Arnott
05/09/2022	Andrew Bell	Hamish Bell	Andrew Chincarini	Kerryanne, Tristan & Hugo
12/09/2022	Gerard Matthews	Sarah Matthews	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt
19/09/2022	Jamie Parfett	Caroline Price	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten
26/09/2022	Luke Dunn & Josh Dunn	Rod Miller	Des Roberts	Christine Roberts
03/10/2022	Steve Jager	Ben Starick	Anthony Smith	Mick Purcell

### VICTORIAN BUSHFIRE INFORMATION LINE 1800 240 667

Total Fire Bans – Fire Restrictions - Bushfire Planning – Major Fires

**Fire warnings and updates:** Emergency broadcasters: ABC and Commercial radio stations & SKY News TV

**CFA WELLBEING SUPPORT LINE 1800 959 232** [cfa.vic.gov.au/wellbeing](http://cfa.vic.gov.au/wellbeing)

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*Laharum Wartook Veggie Swaps at Berendsens' and Lowes' properties*



*Old Rosemont Quilts 0457 661335*



*Laharum's Artists Exhibition at Laharum Hall*





*Deliberately lit fire of car stolen from Green Lake area*

*Sporting Schools Golfing sessions - Jayden and Troy*

*Laharum Primary School students taking a break for lunch with Annie after planting trees*



*Tree planting Eden, Jayden & Troy*

