DATE: April 2022

EVENTS:

BIRTHDAYS:

Merwyn Wardle 97 Bill Callahan 93 Joy Mayberry 91 Ireland Powell 21 Josiah Keam 18 Mirabella Powell 18

Fmail: brimactivegroup@gmail.com

GET WELL:

Charmaine Fisher Russell Smartt Joy Mayberry Marcia Roche John Brennan

MARRIAGE:

Congratulations to Morgan Erhardt and Jess Kelly who were married in early March. We wish you both the very best for your future

together.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Gail and Stewart Boyd celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in March.

Congratulations to you both.

DEATHS:

The Brim community were saddened to hear of the death of **Win Appledore** recently. Deepest sympathy to Colin and Bev, Bev and Max and their families.

Deepest sympathy also to Alan and Elaine, Neil, Ken and Robyn Quick, Margaret and Gordon Harvey, Ruth and Lachlan Macdonald and families on the recent passing of sister **Alice Gollan**.

A GOOD WIN FOR MAT

Website: brimactive.com

Report From Mat Crisp:

John Conduit & I entered the Koondrook & Barham fishing competition back on the 26/27 Feb

We had been on the waiting list for a couple of years as it is capped at 300 entrants.

The weekend didn't kick off to a great start when we got there, they couldn't find my name on the list, but eventually that was sorted, as they put John in twice.

(So he keeps telling me that the boat's really his, ha ha!) Saturday we didn't do very good fishing either but Saturday night things got much better when John won \$500 cash prize in the raffle. Sunday the fish even started biting for us and in the last draw of the weekend my name was called out for the major prize of a boat, trailer and accessories (still unbelievable).

It is a very well run competition fully catered for by the Barham Football /Netball Club and if you like your fishing comps, I highly recommend this one.



Mat and John Conduit in the boat Mat won at the fishing competition

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WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND BRIM?

ANZAC DAY SERVICE 25th April: The ANZAC Day service will be held in the Brim Memorial Hall this year with the assembly time outside the hall is 8.45am with the service commencing at 9.00 am. . Depending on government rules, those attending in the hall must be vaccinated. COVID Marshals will be at the door to check everyone's vaccination status.

The Warracknabeal Brass band will be in attendance, but will be leaving soon after the service has finished.

The band has kindly offered to play in the Hall at a later date due to only having a very short recital after the service on Anzac Day.

This is likely to be in late July or August. There will be a gold coin admission and a plate of food to share after the recital.

Bowls: This year there will be winter bowls in Brim. For more information contact James McFarlane on 0427 535 147.

CFA is a volunteer organisation. Anyone 16 or over wishing to join can apply through the website: https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/volunteers-careers/volunteer-with-cfa

CFA brigades in the area are: Bangerang, Beulah, Brim, Crymelon, Lah, Warracknabeal and Willenabrina.

Juniors 11 to 17 can join the Warracknabeal brigade. There is currently a cadet program for 16 and 17 year olds interested and a Junior Development Program will begin in the future. Those interested in these programs can contact Cameron Whelan on 0434 730 686. Those interested in being involved with competitions can contact Clinton Jonasson on 0427 981 165.

Both Warracknabeal juniors and seniors compete in competitions each year. Members from other local brigades can join them for competitions if they wish.

CHURCH: The Brim Unity Church meet most weeks in Brim. On the first, second and fourth Sundays of the month services are at 9.30am. On the third Sunday the services alternate between 9.15 am and 11am. Most times there is no service on the fifth Sunday of the month. Anyone wishing to attend the service or drop in for a cuppa and chat after the service are most welcome.

The church is again looking to host a **MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST** in the Brim Hall on May 8th. Please book if you would like to attend. There is no charge for the meal. Chef for the breakfast is Rod Gardam. Those attending must be vaccinated. Bookings can be made with Bev Appledore on 0427 904 216 or Mavis Wardle on 0447 904233.

On Friday August 5th the church will host a **QUIZ NIGHT** at the Brim Sports Centre. Bookings can be made for tables of 8 or individuals. More details closer to the time.

CWA: Although Brim no longer has a CWA branch, Locals have joined either the Beulah CWA or the Willenabrina branch. Beulah meet in at the Beulah on the third Thursday of the month (contact Valda Hunteron 0353 904 264), while the Willenabrina group meet in Warracknabeal on the second Tuesday of the month those interested can contact Elaine Quick on 0428 316 257.

GOLF: The Brim Golf Club hold their weekly competition between April and September. All are welcome to join in. Both men and women play on the Saturdays at 12 noon with the women sometimes playing during the week. For more information, please contact Bev Appledore on 0427 904 216 for more information,

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LIBRARY SERVICES: The Yarriambiack Mobile library visits the Brim General store on their fortnightly routine. Items which can be dropped off are: books, magazines, audio books and DVDs Those wishing to borrow can order by contacting the library or fill in a form available at the shop. They can then be returned to the library collection box at the general store. Those interested can contact the library on 0353980100. or email metlika@yarriambiack.vic.gov.au.

The next few drop offs in Brim will be before 9am on April 27th, May 11th and 25th, June 1st, 15th and 29th.

LIONS CLUB: The Brim Lions Club meeting regularly at a time suitable for guest speakers. For more information concerning meetings please contact Graeme Holland on 0418 580 348 or Mat Crisp on 0429 131 177.

The club have several working bees in the town by collecting papers for recycling and maintaining the surrounds of the Yarriambiack Creek at Redda's Park. They have also organised a New Year celebration at Redda's Park for some years now.

WARRACK EAGLES: Football This year the football club is again fielding 5 teams. From the 29th of April, the under 13 team will train on Friday at 4pm. AusKick is held at the same time. The other 4 teams train on Tuesday and Thursday with the junior team of Under 14 and 17 at 4,30pm amd the seniors and Reserve teams at 6pm. Generally the training will be at Anzac Park in Warracknabeal. The first match in Brim is planned for May 28th.

Netball: There are 7 teams competing for the club—A, B, C, C Reserve, Under 13, 15 and 17.. Anyone interested may join in by attending netball training as follows: — Under 13's Thursday at 4pm, Under 15 and 17's at 4.45pm on Tuesday and Thursday, and the 4 senior teams practice on Tuesday and Thursday at 6pm—generally training will be held in Warracknabeal. The first game to be played in Brim is planned for May28th.

SHARE AND CARE: Brim Share and care meeting at the Brim Memorial Hall on the third Tuesday of the month at around 10am to approximately 2.30pm. Please provide your own midday meal. Some bring craft article to work on and some just come for the social contact. All welcome. You can contact Elaine Quick on 0428 316 257 for more information.

CRICKET AND TENNIS ARE CURRENTLY IN RECESS

CWA

Willenabrina CWA held their first meeting for 2022 in February where their guest speaker for the meeting was councillor Karly Kirk. Karly was able to advise on the complaints process for the Shire on subjects such as roads, footpaths and barking dogs.

On Thursday February 24th, the Willenabrina CWA hosted the Central Wimmera CWA Group Conference. Representatives from each of the six branches attended.

Willenabrina provided the morning tea and lunch.

Past State president Lyn Harris attended and conducted the election of office bearers. Beulah members Prue McCredden and Jenni Turnbull were elected Group president and secretary treasurer respectively.

After lunch, Lyn spoke on her work with CWA., followed by reports from each branch secretary and Rhonda Frederickson on the Halls Gap cottage.

Rainbow won the best secretary's report and Beulah the Book and Gavel for the most new members (2).

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Wavell McPherson, who has been playing cricket in Brim for 64 years has just notched up another achievement.

He was recently selected to play in the World's Oldest Cricket Team in Melbourne in late November.

In recent years Wavell has travelled as far as England, and has played in the Veterans Cricket Ashes in both England and Australia.

During his cricket career, Wavell has played alongside both his two sons and three grandsons. Well done Wavell!

Former locals flooded in NSW. Former Brim resident Jamie Golder, wife Penny and children were living at Condong near the Tweed River when floods inundated the town. They were living in a Queenslander style home where the downstairs area of their home was flooded. They lost two cars, a washing machine, fridge, freezer, camping equipment and numerous tools etc. The flooding has caused them a great deal of stress. Jamie is the son of Max Golder and former wife Marita.

Former Brim Primary student and Willenabrina Farm Manager Scott Carran along with his wife Judy, sons Marc and Brodie and their partners Petah Winsall and Britney Warner was also a victim of the floods further south near Byron Bay.

They have now re-located south to Evans Head. The family lost 6 cars and everything the family owned was ruined apart from a few sentimental items that they managed to salvage.

Our thoughts and well wishes are with both families and we wish them the very best for the future.

.Gamers Rush. Last year, due to COVID lockdowns and health problems, Gamers Rush re-located back to Brim from Warracknabeal. Proprietor Pete Mak who sells gaming hobby items and playing cards such as Pokemon.

Pete now hopes to raise money to build a new Gamers Rush in Brim' He hopes to set up an entertainment sector, a small café warehousing and a shop front for event planning. We wish Pete the very best with his plans for the future.

Gamers Rush have the website www.gamersrush.com.au.

You can contact Pete on 0423 919 506.

Brim ANZAC Committee meeting. On Wednesday April 6th, the Committee held its annual meeting. Office bearers remained the same with Valda Hunter re-elected as Chair person, Stewart Boyd as secretary and Pat Gouin as vice Chair person.

All those present were nominated as members of the committee.

The Anzac service will again be held in the Brim Memorial Hall after an outdoor service only for the last two years. All entering the hall must be vaccinated. Marshals will be at the door to check each vaccination status. The guest speaker will be Walter Sholl.

The new Honour board of those serving post WW2 has been hung in the hall ready for the service.

A number of golfers in Warracknabeal with Brim district connections have been featured in the winners list at times.

Greg Pearson played with Mat Richardson in a 4 ball best ball event in January and won with a combined score of 74.

Playing in the same event on February 21st, David And Lachie Stewart won with 47 stableford points,

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BKSHCC Winds Up 2021/22

Around 30 players, life members, sponsors, trophy donors and supporter families attended the Brim Kelllalac Sheep Hills Cricket Club Presentation evening on Friday night at the Brim Sports Centre.

The club celebrated the season in a Covid safe manner after a great deal of uncertainty before the season started as to if there was even going to be a Wimmera Mallee Cricket Association competition.

A grade captain and Covid Safety Officer Isaac McPherson spoke about the season which commenced a little later on November 13 due to Covid and although disappointed about not making the grand final after the semi final loss on March 5 he was very proud of the teams efforts. Isaac dominated the A Grade Awards. He won the A grade batting which was donated by Gavan Inkster. He also took out the A grade points trophy donated by Geoffrey's Menswear, the Bill Rose Medal for the Best and Fairest player and the Club Champion player award for the most points by any player within the club. The Bronc Schilling Perpetual Club Champion trophy dates back many years and the current trophy is nearly full dating back to 96/97. Leigh Dovaston took out the A grade catches donated by the Peart family in memory of Lance. Dovaston took 7 catches for the year

The A grade bowling donated by Paul and Janine Rattray was won by Mark McPherson.

Sean Wright spoke about the season as B grade captain and Covid Safety Officer. The Ian Wright medalist was revealed to be Sean Wright after a dominant season in the B grade. Sean also took out the B grade bowling which was donated by Brian and Val Wardle and the B grade points awards.

The B grade catching trophy donated by Boyce and Gwen Holland was won by Ben Williamson 7 catches for the season. Ashley Wright took out the B grade batting which was donated by Bill and Jenny Somers. Lachie Hadley was awarded the clubs most improved under 21 which is a trophy Wavell McPherson has donated for many years. The infamous Duck Hunters award this season was taken out by Azzam with 5.

President Matt Crisp who was unable to attend the night but was able to send a presidents report. In it He thanked all for coming and said he was grateful For the work of a number of individuals to keep the cricket club going.

Picture Left: BKSHCC 2021/22 Trophy Winners

Back: Isaac McPherson, Ash Wright, Jack Hadley,

Ben Williamson

Front: Mark McPherson, Sean Wright,,

Leigh Dovaston

Further information Charlie Dean 0408 606599



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SPORTING ROUND-UP

Swimming: The end of season awards for those competing in swimming in the 2021/22 season were presented on March 22nd.

Locals who received awards were as follows: Junior 7-10 yrs- Isaac Credlin.

Intermediate 11-15 Eljah Keam Best first Year competitor: Mackenzie Roche (equal)

Most improved: Breaststroke- Isaac Credlin Butterfly- Eljah Keam (equal)

Personal best medals: Isaac Credlin– 50m breaststroke Eljah Keam—200m IM

Makenzie Roche- 50m Freestyle and 50m Breaststroke

Congratulations to you all for achievements this season.

Warracknabeal Secondary College held its annual athletic sports on March 29th

A number of notable results were achieved by those from the district.

Boys age champion 12-13 years was Charlie Martin (27 points)

Girls 14 years equal winner was Airlie Garlick (25 points)

Boys 16 years winner was Levi Keam 28 points, runner-up Jay Zanker 16 points

Girls 17-20 winner was Tia Credlin. 25 points.

A wonderful effort from you all. Congratulations.



Brim Tennis Team: From back left:

Molly Stewart,
Josiah Keam,
Tia Credlin,
Hugh Keam,
Patrick Lindsay,
Lachie Golder,
Cameron Blinman
Casey Quick
Front: Seth Keam,
Amanda Marshman,
Merrily Keam,
Levi Keam and
Lachie
Stewart

The Brim Tennis club this in the year played finals for the first time for many years. Unfortunately they were defeated by Antwerp 5 points, 18 sets 152 games to Brims 0 points, 6 sets 103 points. Both Lachie Golder and Patrick Lindsay returned home from university to be part of the team, but could not cover the gap left by Kyle George who was unavailable.

We wish the team every success in future years. A number of the team members are young and have future promise. Hopefully they will keep developing and have more success in the future. Congratulations to all who have played this year and those who have contributed in some way.

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SPORTS RESULTS CONTINUED

Basketball: With the season now finished a number of local players had successful years in various teams.

Congratulations to:

Airlie Garlick who was runner-up in the girls under 15 best and fairest with 13votes'

Lachie Stewart who was runner-up in the under 21 boys with 16 votes

And Molly Stewart who won the best and fairest in the under 21 girls with 20 votes.

Those featuring in the finals were::

Girls under 12: Premiers Olympics, with Aylah Gunn.

Girls under 15: Premiers Katz ,with Lucy Holland and Georgia Evans

Boys under 15: Premiers Olympics, with Matt Golder and Cooper Preston

Runner-up Slabs, with Will Martin, Zac O'Connor, and Aiden Credlin

Girls under 21: Premiers Slabs, with Alyssa Zanker, Sophie Evans and Amber O'Connor

Runner-up Olympics, with Tia Credlin and Molly Stewart

Boys under 21: Premiers Katz, with Toby Drage and Lachie Stewart

Runner-up Olympics, with Tayte Wardle.

Well done to all of you,

Warracknabeal Bowling club held their Star Day in February. Sixteen teams competed from Beulah, Birchip, Couglan Park, Donald and Warracknabeal. **Dale Stronach** and **Shane Langman** were in the winning team with Harold Kemp and Josh Barry.

Well done!

Brim-Kellalac-Sheep Hills A-grade Cricket Team played in the finals on March 5th, losing to Jeffcott in a low scoring game due to a delayed start as they had to wait for the pitch to dry out. BKSH batted first and scored 7 for 77 runs off 31 overs. The only two to make double figures were Chris McPherson with 14 and Isaac McPherson with 34.

Jeffcott batted and it only took them 20.4 overs to make their 78 runs. Mark McPherson took all 3 wickets off his 7 overs.

Congratulations to the A-grade side for once again making the finals.

The Association's presentations was held after the Grand final at Anzac Park saw Isaac McPherson win the Wimmera-Mallee Cricketer of the year.

Isaac scored 458 runs during the season with an average of 76.33 runs. His top score for the season was 109 not out. He was not dismissed in the first five rounds of the season.

Awards for the season won by local players were:

A-Grade: Champion player with 608 points—Isaac McPherson

Batting Average with 76.33 runs—Isaac McPherson Batting Aggregate with 458 runs—Isaac McPherson

B-Grade: Bowling Average with 9.71—Sean Wright

Bowling Aggregate with 24 wickets—Sean Wright.

Congratulations to Isaac McPherson for being named captain of the Wimmera Mallee Association team of the year.

Congratulations also goes to Charlie Dean for being named in the side.

Well done to the cricket teams on their 2021/22 season!

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MAX GOLDER'S TRIP

Max left home on February 17th, staying the first night in Mildura on his way north.

The next day he travelled through Wentworth and Pooncarie, arriving at the Menindee Lakes

where he stayed the night.

It was a great sight to see them full. Max was told they were holding more water than Sydney Harbour.

He then travelled on to Broken Hill and Silverton. He took a tour of the Day Dream Mine before travelling to Packsaddle where he stayed the night.

Still travelling north, Max passed through the former mining town of Milparinka which is now a ghost town on his way to Tibooburra.

As he was unable to go to Cameron Corner due to road damage from the January floods, he headed straight north to Warri Warri Gate Dog fence and into Queensland..



Warri Warri Gate & Dog Fence at the Queensland/ NSW border



He then headed north east to Noccundra and through to Thargomindah where he stayed the night.

Heading north again, Max passed through Quilpie and then Charleville. At Charleville he was able to look into Golders Store before heading to Roma. Roma too, had a Golders Store.

Left: Golders store at Charleville Qld.

From Roma he again turned north and stayed the night at Injune (even though it was still February).

Still travelling north, Max visited the Carnarvon Gorge and National Park before staying the night at Rolleston.

From Rolleston, Max headed east along the Dawson Highway to Moura where he looked at a large coal mine before getting on the road to pass through Banana, Biloela, Calliope and Gladstone before staying the night at Tannum Sands.

The next day the fun started! He drove to Miriam Vale and discovered it had rained overnight further south, causing road closures. So Max then back tracked to Calliope, Biloela and Banana before going south through Theodore, Taroom and Miles. He had to drive through water in two places and only just got through. He stayed the night in Miles.



Cotton Bales near Banana, Qld.

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MAX GOLDER'S TRIP CONTINUED

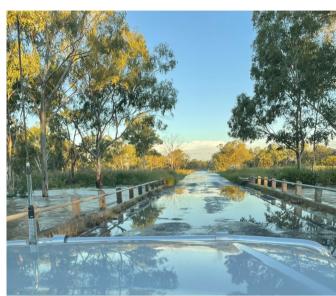
Max now decided to head towards Brisbane, but got turned back at Gatton and had to go back to Toowoomba before heading to Warrick due to flood waters.

By this time there was steady rain, and finding the road to Brisbane closed, Max continued south to Stanthorpe and Tenterfield. He then travelled East through Casino and on to Lismore.

As there were no motel vacancies in Lismore. Max went on to Ballina. He arrived after dark, but was still able find a motel to stay in.

There was very heavy rain that night and it continued the next day, so Max spent the day in the motel.

Below: Flooding near Dalby, Queensland





south, so he left and headed for

Above: The Oliver John Weldon Bridge, Miles Qld.

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By this time, Lismore was flooded and the floods prevented him from visiting his son Jamie.

On Monday February 28th, Jamie advised Max to head Newcastle. He stayed the night at Denman. While there he heard that Ballina was now flooded and the whole town was evacuated...

From Denman Max then headed for home after an eventful trip. He was disappointed he could not spent time with family though.

He drove through 900mms of rain 4 days!

Welcome home Max!

Life in the 1500's

In those old days, they cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. They ate vegetables and did not get much meat.

They would eat the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day.

Sometimes stew had food in it that had been there for quite a while.

Hence the rhyme, "Peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot 9 days old."

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BLAST FROM THE PAST

A picture of what is believed to be the first Debutant Ball Held in the Brim Memorial Hall.

It was Organised by the Brim CWA about October 10th 1945



From Back Left: Betty Altman, Betty Keam

Second Back Row: Dawn Hart, Win Quick, Dorothy Porker, Margaret King

Front Row of Debs: Jean Hunter, Norma Rogers, Beverley Woodward, Peg Hood

Centre in this Row: Mrs. D. Quick (Trainer)

Front Row: Flower girls: Yvonne Wardle Rhonice Wardle

Pianist: Mrs. N. West

The ball was called the Victory Ball.

The Debs were presented to Mr and Mrs Keith Dodgsun of Hopetoun.

Mr. Keith Dodgsun was a member of the Victorian Legislative Assembly from 1938 to 1955.

He represented the electorates of Ouyen and Rainbow for the Country Party.