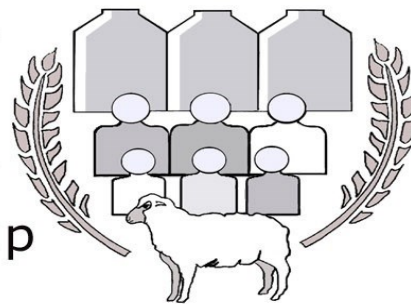


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EVENTS:

BIRTHDAYS:

Gwen Gould	93
Ian (Sport) Fisher	70
Simone Lindsay	60
Nicole Wilson	50
John Goodwin	50
Justin Gouin	50
Aaron Somers	50
Natalie Adams (Boyd)	40
Alyssa Zanker	21
Delta Wardle	21
Levi Keam	18

GET WELL:

Judy Drage
Bob Fisher
Ian Fisher (Sport)
Noela Wardle

BIRTH:

On the 15th of March Gavin and Tia Nikkerson welcome twins **Elijah Taite** and **Enzlee Maureen** into their family. Elijah and Enzlee are a brother and sister for Memphis and Angel and grandchildren for Andrew.
Congratulations to you all.

Congratulations to Paul and Hannah Atkin on the birth of a son **Levi Norman** on March 31st weighing 3.6kg. Levi is a brother for Frankie and Miles and a grandson for Graham and Leonie Atkin.

Manique (Trickey) and Sam Cox welcome the arrival of 8.5 lb **Storm Michael** on April 11th. Storm is a brother for Braxton (10) and River (3). We wish you all the very best, Congratulations.

Congratulations goes to Tianee and Jake Hinton on the arrival of their son **Bobby Lloyd**. He is a brother for Margot and grandson for Odette Heinrich and Steven Murphy.

BRIM TENNIS WIN THE 2023/24 DIMBOOLA AND DISTRICT GRAND FINAL!

The Brim Tennis team travelled to Dimboola on March 9th to play in the Grand final against Antwerp. Although the games were often close, Brim won the day 4 points 47 games to Antwerp's 1 point 41 games. This is the first premiership win since the 1972/3 season. Congratulations to the all players who played throughout the year and contributed to the team reaching the finals, and a special mention to the team below for playing on the day.



Back from left: Zarli Angel, Levi Keam, Simon Bardell, Josiah Keam, Lachie Stewart, Seth Keam (emerg), Katy Bardell.

Front from left: Jenna Angel, Hugh Keam, Kylie O'Connor, Megan Watts, Kyle George, Alysia Preston (emerg) and Darlene Goodwin.

With numbers dwindling last year, Brim were able to recruit a number of new player in the 2023/24 season with 5 of these players part of the premiership team.

They were Zarli and Jenna Angel from Birchip, Darlene Goodwin from Warracknabeal and Simon and Katy Bardell who have moved back to the Bardell farm at Galiquil from America. Simon had moved to America several years ago to further his tennis career.

TENNIS PREMIERS



Players from the 23/24 season.

From back left: Zali Angel, Levi Keam, Simon Bardell, Josiah Keam, Lachie Stewart, Seth Keam, Katy Bardell, Patrick Lindsay.

Middle Row: Jenna Angel, Hugh Keam, Kylie O'Connor, Megan Watts, Kyle George, Alysia Preston, Darlene Goodwin.

Front Row: Craig Byron, Amber and Zac O'Connor, Merrily Keam and Jemimah McPherson.

Brim won the Mixed Doubles 4 sets, 47 games to Antwerp's 2 sets 41 games. The men had a good win as they won all 5 sets with 50 games to Antwerp's 35 game. However the Ladies lost narrowly, both winning 3 sets but going down to Antwerp 37 games to 33. Well done to all players on the day and also to those playing throughout the year. It was a great achievement to reach the finals and become premiers. Those winning all three sets on the day were Simon and Katy Bardell, Hugh and Levi Keam and Kylie O'Connor.

Below: Presentations



The last Brim Premiership team:

From left: Gordon McLean, Kelvin Gouin, Keith McLean, Marg Quick, Cynthia Witney, Carol Gouin, Vicki Wilson, Valda Hunter and Elena Scherger.

Back: Alan McLean, Kevin Church, Gary McLean, Alex McDougall and Keith Hunter.

Sitting: Ian Pumpa.

From the 1998 Brim Tennis Book.



BRIM CRICKET TEAM

The Brim A-grade cricket side again made the Grand Final, but unfortunately this year were unable to win this year against Donald Jeffcott. The game was played in hot conditions on the Birchip cricket ground.

Donald Jeffcott 8 for 179 defeated Brim Kellalac Sheep Hills 138

Donald Jeffcott batted first with two players scoring over 50 runs each. Two players were run out and Lachie McGinnis and Isaac McPherson both taking a wicket each. Charlie Dean was the major wicket taker with 4 wickets for 26 runs off 6 overs.

For the Brim Kellalac Sheep Hills side, opener Mark McPherson made 19 runs and Mat Crisp made 20. Top scorer for the side was Sandon Schultz with 29 not out.

Association presentations were made at the conclusion of the game.

We congratulate the team for their achievements through the season and wish them every success for 2024/25.

Brim held their presentation night on Sunday March 24th.

B Grade awards are as follows: Batting Average—Barry Schilling 189 @ 18.9

Bowling Average—Sandon Schultz 10 @ 20.9

Most catches— Barry Schilling 12 points

B Grade Points Barry Schilling 254 points

Ian Wright Medal—Barry Schilling 14 votes.

A Grade Awards: Batting Average Isaac McPherson 427 @ 71.17

Bowling Average— Charlie Dean 25 @ 9.28

Most Catches— Isaac McPherson 17 points

Bill Rose Medal Cricketer of the year—Isaac McPherson 16 votes.

A Grade Points— Isaac McPherson 582 points

Club Champion both grades— Isaac McPherson Best Player under 21— Jordan McPherson

Duck Hunters Award—all with three ducks Lachlan and Connor McGinniss, Charlie Dean and Jordan McPherson.



Left: Association award winners from the Brim Kellalac Sheep Hills cricket team
Charlie Dean (bowling) and Isaac McPherson (batting) Well done to them both.



BKSH award winners back left: Sandon Schultz, Charlie Dean, Lachie McGinniss and Connor McGinniss.
Front: Barry Schilling and Isaac McPherson

NEWS IN BRIEF

DEATH:

Our sympathies go to Gay Seebohm (Martin) and family Jasmine, Brooke and Jack on the passing of **Frank** recently.

We are also sad to hear of the passing of former Crymelon resident **Judy Murphy**. Deepest sympathy to Bryan and daughters Angela, Cecilia, Bridget, Dolores and families

Our thoughts are with you all and your families.

Congratulations to Oliver Credlin, Elijah, Seth and Levi Keam for winning their age championship in the Warracknabeal Secondary School swimming sports in February. Well done!

The finals of the Warracknabeal Amateur Basketball were played in March. Congratulations to all winners.

Lucy Holland was a coach of the Girls under 13 premiers Slabs

Hayden Polack was a joint coach of the boys under 13 Cubs premiership team as well as the most valuable player in the boys under 15 competition. Hudson Roche won the most valuable player award for the under 13 boys.

Gazelles were the premiers in the boys under 15 competition. Locals playing in the team were Oliver Credlin, Tyler Preston, Seth Roche and Tyson Garlick. Jo Credlin was their coach.

The winners of the under 21 Boys final were Katz, Toby Drage, Jarve Beney and Cooper Preston were part of the team. The most valuable player award in this section was won by Matthew Golder.

In the Girls under 21 competition the winners were Olympics. Ella Holland featured in the team.

Men's premiers were Cubs with Clinton and Kynan Jonasson, Mark Peters and Jordan McPherson being part of the winning team

The Women's winning side of Olympics featured Hayley McGrath, and Kristin Starrick.

Well done to all who participated.

Congratulation to Zac O' Connor and Seth Keam for their contribution to another tennis Premiership. They were members of the tennis team "Green" who were premiers in the Warracknabeal Junior Tennis competition.

New Ventures: Last year **Tayte Wardle** completed a gap year before returning to Brim. He is now begun work as an apprentice With O'Connor's in Warracknabeal.

After his gap year, **Josiah Keam** has headed to Deakin University in Burwood to commence a Science degree and a Masters in Teaching.

Lachie Golder has completed this agricultural degrees at the Latrobe university and is now working as an agronomist in Naracoorte

Those completing their VCE in 2023 include:

Amber O'Connor who is taking a gap year working at the Warracknabeal hospital.

Kailee Zanker who is also taking a gap year and working in Warracknabeal at the 165 Café.

Tia Credlin Has commenced study at the Roseworthy Campus of the Adelaide University studying in the veterinary area.

Sophie Evans has begun a teaching course at Monash University

Jordan Heller: is working in Warracknabeal.

WIMMERA MALLEE QUEENSLAND REUNION

For those interested in attending the next
WIMMERA MALLEE REUNION HELD AT NOOSA,

It is planned to have it on
FRIDAY JULY 12TH.

For more information please phone
Carolyn Rossiter on **0412 652 781.**

ALL WELCOME

THE BRIM UNITING CHURCH IS AGAIN HOSTING A MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

SUNDAY MAY 12TH AT 8.30

At the Brim Memorial Hall

Numbers are limited so book as soon as possible.

Bookings to Mavis on 04 47 904 233

Donations gratefully accepted

RECYCLING: Please note: Recycle bins with the yellow lids will be collected fortnightly in Brim on the Fridays. Collection days in Brim are : May 3rd, 17th and 24th, June 14th and 28th

The glass recycle bins with the purple lids are collected bi-monthly on Fridays for the whole shire. The next collection will be May 10th.

Collections for recycling are: Brim on Fridays, and for Warracknabeal on the following Tuesdays and Thursdays.

MIXED RECYCLING: Put your recycling in the bin loose—not in bags. Flatten boxes to save space

GLASS RECYCLING: Rinse jars and bottles, remove lids and put in bin loose, lids in the general rubbish bin.

QUIZ NIGHT

The Brim Uniting Church once again held a Quiz night in the Brim Sports Centre on March 22nd. to helps raise money to pay for the upkeep of the building and facilities.

Chairperson Stewart Boyd welcomed around 110 who attended the event. Those attending were from the local area, as well as Warracknabeal, Beulah and some from further afield.

Valda Hunter organised the questions for the night and along with Stewart, took turns in asking them. There were 8 rounds of 10 questions each. All teams were able to answer at least half the questions correctly, so everyone passed!

Each table could make up a name for their table and after a close contest the Free Wheelers consisting of Brad, Susan and Charlie Martin, Rosie and Casey Quick, Jen Disney, James Wood and Mark Peters were crowned the winners.

The KFC team of Isaac and Jemima McPherson, Leah Eilola, Laura Bish, Amilie Ruth Cummings, Sandon Schultz, Levi Keam and Royce Bennett were the winners of the booby prize.

The main competition prize was won by Barbara May from Warracknabeal.

The hosts for the night wish to thank to sponsors for the night: GWM Water, the Wilken Group including the Werrigar Roadhouse, Bentleys Servo and Emma Kealy MP.

Thank you too, to all those who attended on the night.



The wining team—Free Wheelers

Back from left: Rosie Quick, Susan Martin, Charlie Martin, Brad Martin, and Mark Peters.

Front: Casey Quick, James Wood and Jen Disney



The winners of the buckets The KFC team: From Back, from left:

Isaac McPherson Amilie Cummings, Levi Keam, Laura Bish.

Front: Leah Eilola, Jemimah McPherson, Royce Bennett and Sandon Schultz.

DEBUTANT BALL 2024

The annual Warracknabeal Debutant Ball was held on March 15th at the Warracknabeal Education Precinct Gymnasium on Friday March 15th. Eleven debutants took part with their partners. Sarah-Jayne Holland co0rdinated the event while Keeta Orszulak and Ella Holland took the responsibility of training the debutants and their partners. Special guests who the couples were presented to were Chris and Glenda Hewitt. Of Bangerang.



Cousins both making their debut (left) were Adah Hunt and Evelyn Lewis. Adah was partnered by Riley Moroni and is the daughter of Katrina and George Sibley of Brim. Evelyn who was partnered by Eli Dedini is the daughter of Rebecca and Brett Lewis of Lah.



Amelia Drage from Lah (right) also made her debut. She was partnered by Logan Mansfield and is the daughter of Narelle and David Drage, granddaughter of Judy and Graham. She is also pictured above with her grandfather Graham.



Right: Angel Nikkelson was partnered by Eddie Robinson. Angel is the daughter of Gavin and Tia Nikkelson and grand-daughter of Andrew.
Left: Zarlie Patterson was part of the Horsham College Deb Ball with 49 couples. Her partner was Ethan Moir. Zarlie is the daughter of Jenelle and Tim Patterson and grand-daughter of Mavis and Lance Wardle.

Others making their debut on March 15th with connections in the local area were Cody Polack and Milly Jonasson, Jessie Goodwin and Kobe MacGregor



ANZAC DAY



The annual Anzac service was held in the Brim Memorial Hall at 9.00am. Before the service Cameron Whelan (left) played the bagpipes outside from 8.30 am which was appreciated by all as they arrived at the hall. This was followed by the band playing as ex-servicemen and Warracknabeal RSL members assembled outside the hall at 8.45. The flag was then raised from half mast by Stewart Boyd. President Valda Hunter opened the service in the hall and mentioned that the Memorial Hall built in memory of those who served in the first World War was constructed in 1920 and so now is 104 years old. The service continued with a hymn, the Lord's Prayer led by Pat Gouin and the reciting of the requiem by Brian Jonasson.

Guest speaker for the day, speaking firstly at the dawn service at Sheep Hills, then at Brim and finishing in Warracknabeal, was Brim resident Rod Gardam who served in the Butterworth Battalion in Malaysia. Rod has kindly lent his battalion's flag to be displayed in the Brim Hall. The service concluded with a minute's silence followed by the Last Post, a hymn and the singing of God save the King and the Australian National Anthem.

Thank you to all who helped prepare the hall for the day and cleaned up afterwards.



Top from left: The band; the raising of the flag; assembly before the service.
Middle row: Brian Jonasson; Rod Gardam; attendees at the service.
Bottom row: Wreaths laid on the day; the shrine replica with wreaths and the band.



WILLENABRINA CWA

CWA has had a rather interrupted start to the year. The February meeting was cancelled owing to extreme weather and the February Group Conference was postponed until late March for the same reason. Three Willenabrina members attended the Conference where the State President, Jennifer Nola, was the Guest Speaker.



At the March branch meeting Graeme Massey entertained Members with some of the history of Soldier Settlement in the area.

Sue Watts also attended this meeting to explain and update Members on the use of Defibrillators.

In April Members visited Dimboola for a day out. A look around the Historical Centre was very interesting. The weather turned cooler than some members came prepared for so a visit to the Op Shop soon had everyone comfortable. Lunch and a short meeting at the Cafe was followed by visits to more shops.

The Branch plans to hold a Mother's Day Street Raffle on 2nd May.

MORE NEWS IN BRIEF



Pascall Patterson (Left) graduated from Federation University with a Diploma of Community Services.

Pascall has commenced work at Horsham College McKenzie Creek campus working in alternative programs for student who find it difficult to adapt to mainstream schooling.

Pascall has also begun a volunteer role with the Horsham SES since graduating.

Pascall is the daughter of Tim and Jenelle Patterson of Horsham and grand-daughter of Lance and Mavis Wardle of Brim.

Jenelle Patterson of Natimuk & District Gymnastic Club won the Wimmera Regional Sports Assembly "Unsung Hero" award for volunteer roles behind the scenes of a volunteer-run community sports club.

Jenelle's roles at the club are currently treasurer, and website/app.

Jenelle has recently retired from Uniform Officer where she took on the role of redesigning the club uniforms.

The Natimuk & District Gymnastic Club also won the Club of the Year. It has 250 gymnasts registered for this year and is one of the biggest volunteer-run clubs in the area.

I like to imagine the guy who invented the umbrella was going to call it 'brella'.
But he hesitated.

UPGRADES TO THE BRIM OVAL

Work commenced in March to upgrade the Brim oval to improve the quality of the ground and ensure there will be better drainage. The oval has been top-dressed with 2,500 tonnes of sand coming from along the creek on Keam's property and carted to the ground by locals in the district. Mark Peters was hired to spread and then level the oval using his new 3D imaging equipment to ensure a good quality finish. After this work was finished, the surface was resown and sprinklers raised.



Above: March 12, sand carted. **Below left:** April 5th, **Middle:** April 7th, **Right:** April 8th.



Above: April 9th with night work being done on far right. **Below from left:** April 14th 21st and 28th.

Left: the seeding machine

A big thank you to all involved in the up-grading of the oval.

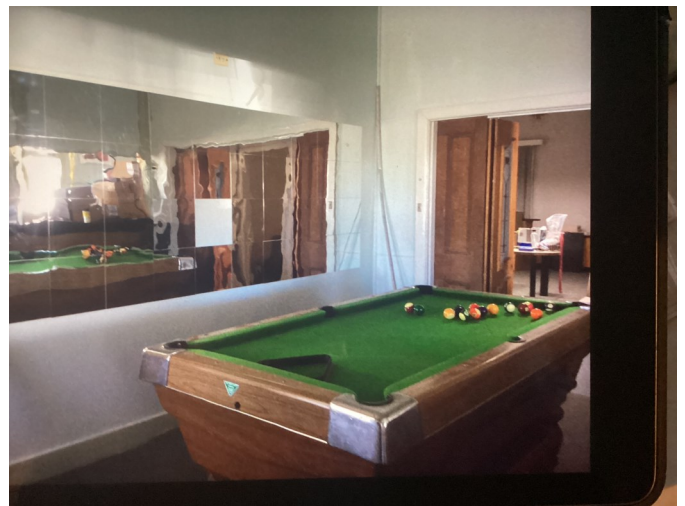


BRIM HOTEL CLOSE TO OPENING

Work is continuing on the upgrades of the Brim Hotel, and Barb, Steve and Allan are hoping they will be able to open in the next three or four weeks. Luckily the council has been super supportive of their project.

They are hoping to be able to meet with CUB and other suppliers in the next few weeks and hoping this will not cause too many delays.

Drinks will be the first items to be on the menu and hopefully food, then meals will be available in the future.



Above left: Allan in the hotel bar with new bar stools in place. The boxes contain a new coffee machine. **Right:** the newly decorated pool room.



Still needing touch-ups are the east side of the bar (left) and the dining room (right). The middle photograph shows the framework dividing the dining room from the renovated toilets.



In the Brim Memorial there is a doll display open to the public each day between 9am and 5pm. The Brim Active Community group have paid for 22 display cabinets so that the dolls and soft toys can be displayed for all to see. Some are also displayed on the top of the cabinets and on the hall stage. There are also some dolls and soft toys near the stage for those who wish to play with them while visiting the display. Visitors can sign a book near the entrance and make comments .



Some comments from the book:

Andy Day (donor of most dolls after his wife Helen passed away) **FANTASTIC**. Jemma and Adrian (family) *So much love and memories, Love you Nan.*

Other comments: *Love this display thank you for sharing I can't imagine owning this many dolls. Great!*

Brought tears to my eyes to see the lovely old Brim hall used for such a brilliant display / dolls display/ memories of dolls I played with and the old photos etc. a credit to the town along with the awesome silo. (Carol Lewis) . Sometimes you just don't know what hidden gems are tucked away that reflect the past. Just brilliant to see such a great display. Awesome. What a great display. Would have been a big job planning, building and setting up—Great effort. What a great display! I love the hall—magic! Wonderful effort everyone. Very nice. Well done great effort. Good display thank you. Great to see the collection of dolls and toys from our childhoods. Great memories brought back. A credit to the town. Wonderful viewing. Nice to see so much memorabilia. I like Snow White. I like the doll house.

Sorry there wasn't enough room to put names and places on the comments .