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#### **EVENTS:**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**:

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Muriel Martin	95
Tex Wardle	90
Athol Tickner	90
Russell Smartt	80
Peter Hewitt	80
Gary McConville	70
David McKenzie	70
Greg Dixon	70
Jenelle Patterson	50
Fraser Quick	50
Sheridan Campbell	50
Jarrod Tickner	30
Lachie Stewart	21
Jonti Hunter	21
Lachie Golder	21
Toby Drage	18
Olivia McConville	18

#### **GET WELL:**

Graham Drage Ian Wurfel Tex Wardle Noela Wardle Colin Appledore Sarah Liston (Gouin) Lauren Hughes (Appledore) Mavis Wardle Joy Smartt Daryl Bardell

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:**

Congratulations to Suzi and Rohan Jennings on their 30th wedding anniversary at the end of November.

We also wish Lauren and Brett Monaghan the very best on their recent 10th wedding anniversary.

Leanne and Henry Roche have recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. We congratulate them both.

On March 17th Beth and Brian Preston celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary. 50 years! Congratulations!

Sympathy also goes to Kelvin Gouin after being married to Pat for 50 years!

# *DECEMBER 4TH CHRISTMAS* PARTY IN BRIM



The Brim Active Community group held their annual **Christmas Party** on December 4th 2022...

A good crowd attended the night and it was good to see a number of children happily playing together on the oval outside the building.



The meal on the night was provided by Floss Smith from Dimboola with assistance from the Jeparit Tennis Club and enjoyed by all.

The evening continued with good conversation and laughter. Santa arrived as usual on the Brim fire truck, giving the Reindeer a well earned rest after their trip from the North Pole.



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# CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS IN BRIM

A Big thank you to the BRIMLAH CREATIVE CO. for the Christmas decorations along Smith Street in the former school yard. The community appreciate your contribution to brighten up the town.

Thank you to Nadine Jenkinson, Colleen McPherson and their able assistants for the work and ideas they have put into this display, often calling for scrap materials to be donated which they have put to good use.

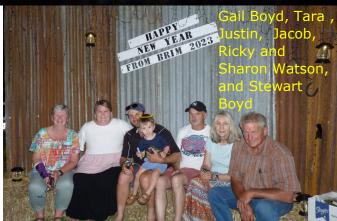
We also thank those who also decorated their homes to add extra Christmas cheer.



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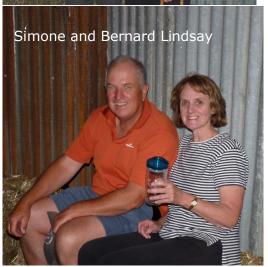


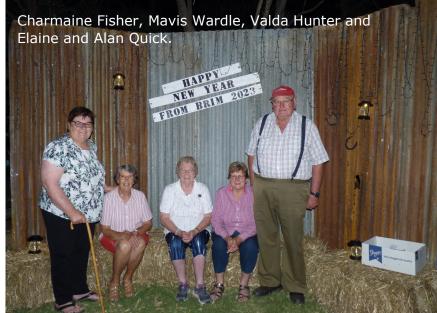


There was an informal get-together on New Year's Eve at Reddas Park organised by Colleen McPherson and Nadine Jenkinson. A number of locals gathered together to celebrate the end of 2022.

It was good to see ex-local Janine Wurfel and her partner were able to attend and meet up people she hadn't seen for quite a while.

Unfortunately most left before midnight due to the night being invaded by mosquitoes!





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#### MAVIS AWARDED SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR



**Left:** Mavis on

the dais.

**Below left:** The award presented to Mavis.

**Below:** Lance and Mavis Wardle The Australia Day in Warracknabeal commenced at 8.00 am with a free breakfast at the Race Course followed by the main program. Opera singer Sofia Laursen Habel sang the National Anthem and also another item later on. The guest speaker was Nicole Battley (nee Farrell). Both of these guests were very good to listen to.

Brim was very pleased to have local, Mavis Wardle being presented with the Sportsperson of the year.

Congratulations Mavis.

Mavis has supported local sport all her life—as a player, in both coaching roles and administration.

Mavis has been awarded with three life memberships.

She was awarded a life membership in the Brim Netball Club in 1989. in the Brim Tennis Club in 1999 and in the Brim Bowling Club in 2019.

She has held positions of Vice President, Secretary (8 years) and treasurer in the Golf Club, and Secretary (9 years) in the Bowling Club.

She has won the Bentley's single knockout in golf 4 times and Bowls Championship 6 times. A wonderful effort Mavis!

**Below:** Singer Sofia Laursen Habel, Rotary president John Tonkin, winners Mavis Wardle, Barbara Bell, and Piper Knoop with guest speaker Nicole Battley.





**Below:** Wardle family members from left: Nicola Martin, Missi, Tim and Jenelle Patterson, Mavis, Alicia and Lance Wardle, Zali Patterson and Sonia Martin.





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### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### **BIRTHS:**

Congratulations to Teaghan and Jon Ling on the birth of Harvey John

Harvey is the a grandson for Janet and John Addinsall and a great grandson for **Graeme and Marion Addinsall.** 

Angela Preston and Matthew Broomfield welcome their second daughter Jada May. Jada is a sister for Harper and granddaughter for Brian and Beth Preston. We wish then all the best.

**Sam and Indiana Tickner** also have an addition to their family. **Scout Arden Rose** was born on January 31st. She is a sister for **Eamon** and **Vance** and granddaughter for

Trish and Richard Tickner, and Natalie and Mat Crisp.

Scout is also a great granddaughter for Athol Tickner and Keith and Julie McLean

#### **ENGAGEMENT:**

Congratulation to **Eliza Perris** and **Brandon Bourquin** on their recent engagement. We wish you both the very best for the future.

#### **DEATHS:**

The Brim Community are sadden by the passing of **Sandra Murray** (Baker) on December 13th. Deepest sympathies go to step-daughter Tracey and her children Sarah, Leigh, Lauren, and Nathan and also to sister-in-law Marion Chalker and brother-in-law Jason Jones (Gail's husband).

Brim resident **Audrey Lehmann** passed away on the 5th of January. The Brim Community extend their sympathies to children Russell, Julie and family and to Phillip. Audrey's daughter Michelle pre-deceased her.

Our sympathies also go to Odette Heinrich, Steven Murphy Tiarni, and Jake Hinton and family on the passing of Odette's mother **Julie James**. Our thoughts are with you.

A belated congratulations to **Robyn Perris** for having received a life membership of the Natimuk and District Gymnastics Club in 2021. She is pictured here receiving her life membership from head coach Lynette Morrow and President Louise Pul.

Robyn has been involved in the Natimuk and District Gymnastics since 2009 when her daughters Eliza and Georgia started there.

Robyn has been coaching at the club for 7or 8 years, beginning with the Level 1 boys. She is currently taking the 'Ninja' class of primary age school children.

Robyn is willing to help wherever she is needed including cleaning and vacuuming around the place.!



#### RECYCLING

Collections for glass recycling (purple lids) will be March 17th, May 26th and July 21st

<u>Mixed recycling days</u> will commence on **March 10th**, **April 7th and 21st and June 2nd and 16th**. Warracknabeal collections on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Brim Fridays and Beulah Wednesdays.

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## MORE NEWS IN BRIEF



#### LAUREN GRADUATES

Congratulations to Lauren Monaghan on graduating from the Lincoln Institute.

Lauren graduated after a studying for 3 years an Executive Leadership Program called 'Lead to Succeed'.

Lauren travelled to Queensland with Dr. Jessica to attend a Lincoln Institute business workshop as well a graduation dinner where she was presented with her certificate. Lauren is part owner and manager of Your Family Vet in Horsham.

Lauren says: 'There's no way I would be in the position I am in now enjoying the awesome team I have, without the Lincoln Institute, and the fantastic mentors and like-long friends I've made through this organisation.

Congratulations to **Georgia Perris** who has graduated with a Bachelor of Primary Education at the Australian Catholic University in Ballarat. This year she has a position teaching at the Horsham Primary School.

Her cousin **Jonty Hunter** has obtained an Advanced Diploma of Agribusiness at Longerenong and is now working on the family farm with his father Russell.

**Tayte Wardle** completed his VCE at the Lutheran college in Horsham and is doing a gap year with the army. He is currently at the Kapooka Army base near Wagga Wagga.

Another to complete his VCE year was **Josiah Keam who** is also doing a gap year. He will be studying with Youth Dimension in Melbourne. Youth Dimension is a Christian based organisation that works with young people to help their personal development. He is staying at the Baptist Youth hHostel in Kew, where his parents stayed when studying in Melbourne.

**Mirabella Powell** finished her schooling last year too. During 2022 she began working with the Yarriambiack Shire while completing her VCE. She continued to work for the shire full time while studying a certificate 3 in business. In the future she hopes to travel and live abroad and is currently just enjoying life and having more time to spend with family and friends.

After a gap year, **Heath Johns** has now commenced work at the Horsham Aerodrome as an aircraft mechanic. We wish you all the very best for the future.

Congratulations to the new House captains for 2023 at the Warracknabeal Secondary College.

The **new captains and vice captains** for this year are: <u>Borung</u>—Ava Koschitzke and Daniel McKenzie, Vice—Amber O'Connor, Charlie Inkster and Cody Polack.

Henty— Tia Credlin and Daniel Hunter, Vice—Jordan Heller, Maggie McCoy and Jaxon Moloney

Wimmera—Sophie Evans and Baiden Penny, Vice—Coco Malcolm, Maggie Butcher and Jack Evans.

The Secondary College swimming sports were held in February with Henty winning the grand aggregate and both the Boys and Girls aggregates.

**Age Champions** were: 12/13yo—Karter Nitschke and Eljah Keam, 14yo—Oliver Credlin and Sheltah Beney. 15yo—Seth Keam and Elsa Byron, 16yo—Sailor Knorpp and Ava Koschitzke 17-20yo—Levi Keam and Sophie Evans. **Well done to you all.** 

On December 16th a vehicle which had been dumped on the Lah West Road was deliberately set alight. Fortunately the CFA brigades attending the scene were able to control the fire before it spread to dry grass and crops nearby.

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# JUNIOR CRICKET

The Warracknabeal District Junior Cricket Association played their final over two Saturday mornings at the Brim cricket ground. The two teams playing were the Stars and the Renegades. The game was close with the Stars winning by seven runs. Renegades making 122 and Stars 8/129.

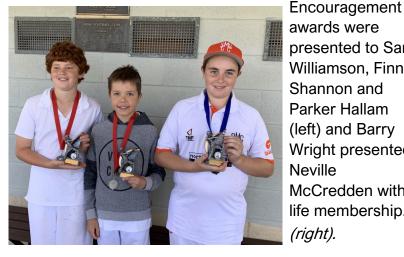
Thank you to all players and their parents for their contribution in ensuring the junior competition to continue for this season. We hope it will be able to continue again next season.

Left: The Premiership team - the Stars Left to right: (Back row) Colt Decker, Axel Decker, Jed Hartnett, Lawson Hallam, Bayden Jenkinson.

(Front Row) Harrison Williams, Kybe Bellinger, Hudson McCredden (cpt), Charlie Williams, Jackson Moore, Parker Hallam.

*Right:* The Runners-up— the Renegades Left to right: (back row) Finn Shannon, Denzel Hallam, Sam Williamson, Ivy McGregor, Ned Jones, Louie Webster. (front row) Oliver Holland, Spencer Williams, Azam Mohammed, Jaiden Cooksley. (absent due to having to leave early to play A Grade: Kobe McGregor (cpt) and Jordan McPherson

Hudson McCredden scored 40 runs for the Stars and Parker Hallam 14. The best bowlers for the Stars with 2 wickets each were Kybe Bellinger, Harrison Williams and Parker Hallam. Best batsmen for the renegades were Spencer Williams with 35 and Kobe McGregor with 34. Jordan McPherson and Spencer Williams each took 2 wickets After the match the presentations for the 2022/23 season were made.



awards were presented to Sam Williamson, Finn Shannon and Parker Hallam (left) and Barry Wright presented Neville McCredden with a life membership. (right).



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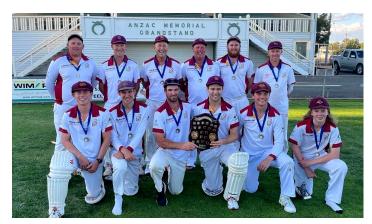
Congratulations to the Brim/Kellalac/Sheep Hills A-grade cricket team who won the premiership on March 11th.

They defeated Jeffcott (95) in Warracknabeal scoring 99 runs with only 1 wicket down. Top scorer on the day was Jeremy Preston with 42 runs. Jeremy was also the top wicket taker with 3 wickets for 23 runs. All 6 bowlers took at least 1 wicket with Mark McPherson taking two.

At the end of the home and away matches Brim was second on the ladder having lost the last two matches. Notable batsmen in the last 5 matches before the finals were Isaac and Mark McPherson, Mathew Crisp, Jeremy Preston and Lachie Hadley. Bowlers with more than 2 wickets in a game were Jeremy Preston, Kobe McGregor.

The B-grade team unfortunately lost all 5 games they played during the same period. Those scoring more than 30 runs in any of the matches were Connor McGinniss, Graeme Holland Sean Wright and Ethan Schilling. Those who took 2 wickets in a game were Shane Schultz, Jack Hadley, Leigh Somers, Barry Schilling and Jordan McPherson. They did not make the finals.

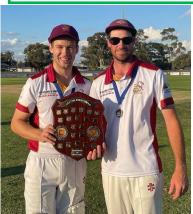
Well done for all players for their contribution during the 2022/23 season.

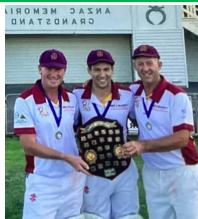




**Top Left:** Premiership team: *From Back left:* Lachie McGinniss, Chris McPherson, Mark McPherson, Mat Crisp, Charlie Dean and Jeremy Preston.

Front: Lachie Hadley, Sandon Schultz, Leigh Dovaston, Isaac McPherson, Connor McGinniss and Kobe McGregor.





Top right:
Players
relaxing after
the semi final
win against
St Arnaud.
Left: The
three
McPhersons—
Chris, Isaac
and Mark.



**Above**: Captain Isaac McPherson and Vice Captain Leigh Dovaston.

**Above right:** Kobe McGregor, winner of U15 Junior Country week Ross Loats Memorial award

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# SPORTING ROUND-UP

#### **TENNIS**

Brim Tennis Club finished the 2022 year with a match against **Hopetoun**, winning all 5 points. They won the mixed 2 sets /18 games to Hopetoun's 2 sets /16 games. The Brim women won 3sets / 30 games to 3 sets / 21 games while the Brim men won all 6 sets, 42 games to Hopetoun's 16 games. Hugh and Levi Keam both won 4 sets for the Brim side.

The first game for 2023 saw Brim play **Arkona** with Arkona winning 3.5 points to Brim 1.5. In the mixed both teams won 2 sets. Arkona narrowly won 18 games to Brim's 16.

Arkona men won 4 sets / 29 games to Brim's 2 sets / 33 games while Arkona women only won 2 sets and 25 games to Brim's 4 sets, 36 games..

Megan Watts won 4 sets for the day while opposition player Russell Hunter also won 4 sets.

Round 12 saw Brim victorious over Warracknabeal—their first defeat for the year!

Brim 11 sets / 94 games to Warracknabeal 5 sets / 63 games

The mixed saw Brim 3 sets / 25 games beat Warrack 1 set / 9 games.

Brim men won 5 sets / 39 games to Warrack 1 set / 24 games while the women drew 3 sets / 30 games each.

In the last round for the season Brim, 1 point, 7 / 73 lost to Antwerp 4 points, 9 / 90.

Both teams won 2 mixed sets. Antwerp won 26 games to Brim 23.

Antwerp won all 6 sets in the men's division with 42 games to Brim's 13.

Brim women won the only point for the day, winning 5 sets 37 games to 1 set 22 games form Antwerp.

Best performances for Brim came from Megan Watts and Merrily Keam who both won 4 sets. Brim reached the finals for the first time for several years, They were in third place but unfortunately had to forfeit their semi final due to having 7 players unavailable on the day.

Congratulations to **Dean Gunn** for his win at the Warracknabeal Golf Club. Dean was presented with the 2022 club championship as well the monthly medal in January. Dean plays off a handicap of 7.

Greg Pearson has also had some golfing success in Warracknabeal. He won the round two weeks in a row with David Stewart coming second on a count back in the second week.

Greg's handicap is 13 while David plays off 15...

Some locals from the district competed for the Warracknabeal Swimming club in the District Swim against swimmers from Ararat, Horsham, Warrnambool, Bendigo, Kerang and St Arnaud. Eljah Keam was placed 1st in the 11-12 years &under girls 200m medley, 50m Butterfly, freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke.

Aiden Credlin was 3rd in the boys 15-16 years freestyle.

Isaac Credlin was part of the 10/U Medley relay and Freestyle, both of which came 2nd.

Eljah was in the 2nd placed 12/U Medley relay, and Aiden Credlin was a member of the 3rd placed Open Medley and 16/U Freestyle relays.

Well done to you all!

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### MORE NEWS IN BRIEF

Glenda Hocking is looking for help in finding historical photos from both Brim and Willenabrina.

<u>In Brim</u> she is looking for photos of the Brim store when it was in the hands of :

CUST and Sons CUST and SCHOLES DIXON BROS

MARSHMANS SCHERGERS

She would also like photos of the old wood yards that were opposite the hotel on Dixon Street.

From <u>Willenabrina</u>, she would like photos of the Willenabrina churches and the store owned by the DIXON & SWANN families.

Her contact details are: 0408 800 961 and pngrhocking@adam.com.au.

Glenda is the daughter of the late Rich and Beulah Dixon formerly of Brim.

The Highett Football Netball Club in the Southern Football league has recently announced that their appointment of the coach for their thirds team is Lachlan McLean. This is the first time in 12 years that they have fielded a thirds side. Lachie has been involved with the Highett team for many years.

He is the third son of Ken and Ros McLean The family lived in Kendall Street some years ago and Lachie went to the Brim Primary School and Warracknabeal Secondary School.



Congratulations also goes to Levi Keam. The boiled fruit cake and craftwork he entered in the Warracknabeal Show in the Secondary School section, was then entered in the competition at WASA, the regional show competition.

Here he was successful with his boiled fruit cake in the Secondary School section and is now eligible to enter in this section in the Melbourne show .

His craftwork also received a highly commended.

A wonderful effort! Congratulations Levi.

# WILLENABRINA CWA

Willenabrina CWA met at the Creekside Hotel for their last meeting for the year. After a short meeting, they enjoyed lunch raised money for the Christian Emergency Food Centre in Horsham and exchanged gifts.

The first meeting for 2023 was held on February 14th. Not surprisingly the theme for the day was 'Valentine's Day'.

Heather Atwell won the craft for the day with Rosalie Collins second and Fiona Krelle third. Heather also won the best bloom with Elaine Quick second and Judy Lynch third.

Guest speaker on the day was Kylie Zanker—the Mayor of the Yarriambiack Shire. Kylie was happy to take questions and many members were pleased to receive phone calls the next morning in regard to their queries.

The CWA country of study this year is Namibia, situated in south-west Africa. International Officer Jill King presented facts about this country during the meeting..