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EVENTS:

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Michael Preston	50
Ange Preston	40

GET WELL:

Evelyn Goad Shirley Quick Heather Bester Matthew Johns Ken Pumpa Bev Pumpa Bob Fisher Darryl Bardell Neville Keam Gary Aitken Noela Wardle

WEDDINGS:

Congratulations to **Brodie King** and Navina Mohan on their marriage in November. Navina comes from Kuala Lumpa and a number her of family and friends came to Australia to attend the weddina.

Lincoln Pumpa and Kim Barbetti were married in South Australia on February 17th. We congratulate them both.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Congratulations to Luke and **Kelly Pumpa** who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on February 21st. .

.BIRTH:

Congratulations to Cleo Lindsay and David Bilton on the arrival of their second child James David. James is a sister for Molly and is the grandson of Simone and Bernard Lindsay.

WISHING EVERYONE THE VERY BEST **FOR 2024!**



Fireworks at the creek, New Years Eve 2023/24.

WARRACKNABEAL SHOW RESULTS

Well done to all who entered items into the Warracknabeal Show on October 12th and congratulations to those who received a place in the relevant areas.

A special mention to Wavell McPherson who won the Champion Fleece,

Colin Appledore won both the Best Bantam and Champion Bird of the Show

Eljah Keam who received a Junior encouragement award in the Poultry section,

Levi Keam for the most outstanding article in the Secondary section of the Craft.

Georgia Evans who won the best kit in Lego,

Seth Keam for winning the Aggregate in Floral Art for the 15 and under age group,

Lydia Gregor also did well in the Floral Art to win the Aggregate for the Under 7 section.

Jennie Mitchell also did a wonderful job in the Cut Flowers section winning both the Aggregate and Most Outstanding awards.

Those receiving prizes on the day were:

Fleece: Wavell McPherson

Poultry: Colin Appledore—5 firsts, 5 seconds and a third, Eljah Keam—first,

Tia Credlin—2 seconds, and Oliver Credlin—a second and a third

Fruit, Vegie and Farm Produce: Oliver Credlin—3 firsts and 3 seconds,

Marion Addinsall—2 firsts, Eljah Keam- 2 firsts, Shelby Appledore— a first,

Lucy Holland—a second place and both Seth and Levi Keam each receiving a second place.

Cookery: Marion Addinsall—won two first prizes, Teddy Boyd—a first and a second,

Robyn Perris, Shelby Appledore and Levi Keam all won a first prize while Devon Boyd won two seconds and Lucy Holland one second.

Preserves: Elaine Quick—was awarded an first and a second prize.

Craft: Elaine Quick—2 firsts and 2 seconds, Eljah Keam—2 firsts and a second,

Julie McLean—2 firsts, Pat Gouin—a first and 2 seconds,

Seth Keam— a first and a second, Amy Holland—one first,

Levi Keam— one first, Hannah Atkin—a first place.

Those who won a second prize in this section were: Quinn and Teddy Boyd, Frankie Atkin, and Isaac Credlin

Group: Willenabrina CWA—first place, Brim Share and Care—2nd place and

Jennie Michell—1st.

Floral Art: Seth Keam—5 first and 2 seconds, Eljah Keam—two firsts and 5 seconds,

Lydia Gregor—2 firsts, both Valda Hunter and Teddy Boyd—a first and two seconds, Quinn Boyd—a second prize.

Cut Flowers: Jennie Mitchell—nine first prizes and 4 seconds, Elaine Quick—four first places Colin Appledore—two firsts, and both Lucy Holland and Bob Fisher received a second.

Photography: Lucy Holland was awarded a first place and 3 second places.

Art: Congratulations to Lydia Gregor and Fiona Holland for receiving first in their sections.

Devon Boyd, Amy Holland and Judith Drage all received a second prize.

Apologies to anyone I have missed.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

The Brim Community welcome Steve, Barb and Allan to Brim. They have purchased the hotel in town and hope to be get the licences and other things in place in order to open in late April. The timeframe for providing meals will be later than this as they need to meet the requirements of the health department in order to set the dining room up. They do hope to provide snacks prior to this. We wish them the very best in this endeavour and encourage those from Brim and



surrounding districts to support them when they are able to open to the public.

Left: Steve, Barb and Allan (facing) chatting with Nadine Jenkinson, Colleen McPherson and Kathryn Bardell at the Christmas Party.

Congratulations to Hannah Atkin for her prize winning vest entered into the Warracknabeal Show. The entry was then entered into the Wimmera Agricultural Societies Association Competition where it again won first prize. The vest is now eligible to be entered into the Melbourne show next year.

A wonderful effort!

The Brim Lions Club collect newspapers throughout the year and have been doing so for more than 25 years.

Each week, volunteers of the Brim Lions Club collect papers from the community, including the Warracknabeal Herald office and newsagents.

These papers are stored in a shed in Brim and every 12 months they are Sent to Melbourne for recycling. It is a hands-on job where on average 29 to 35 tonne of newspaper are manually loaded into a B-double grain truck. In early November our Brim Community came together again to undertake the challenge of loading the papers for recycling. This process raises approximately \$3000 each year for the Brim Lions Club to put back into the community.

Thank you to the Brim Lions Club and the community volunteers who help with the loading of the papers.





Position Available

The Brim Sports Centre is currently looking for a motivated and enthusiastic person with initiative to be employed as a grounds caretaker and handy man. Jobs will include mowing grass, general garden care and maintenance around the oval, tennis courts and surrounds.

If you are interested, please contact our Secretary Graeme Holland via Email at:

graeme@hollandfarms.com.au

or by Mobile 0418 580 348

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TENNIS RESULTS

Brim Tennis Club played Warracknabeal on **November 4th** and won 4.5 points to 0.5.

In the mixed doubles Brim won 5 of the 6 sets winning 50 games to Warrack's 28.

The men won all 6 sets with 54 games to 22.

It was even in the ladies section with both teams winning 3 sets and 39 games.

Lachie Stewart, Simon Bardell, Levi, Hugh and Josiah Keam and Jenna Angel all winning three sets.

It was a different story on **November 11 when** Brim played Rainbow at Rainbow where they lost all five points to Rainbow. In the mixed Brim won only 24 games to Rainbow's 5 sets, 45 games.

Brim men lost all sets too, going down winning 13 games to Rainbow's 4 sets 36 games. The ladies performed the best on the day losing 3 sets, 36 games to Rainbow 3 sets 47 games.

The final score was Rainbow 5 points, 12 sets to Brim 0 points 3 sets 73 games.

Tia Credlin performed the best for the team winning 2 sets.

November 18th Brim won all 5 points due to Antwerp unfortunately having to forfeit.

November 25th saw Brim playing against Jeparit at Brim and winning 4 points 13 sets, 138 games to Jeparit 1 point 5 sets, 90 games. Brim welcomed a new player in Texan Katy Bardell who is the wife of Simon.

Brim won the mixed competition 4 sets, 49 games to Jeparit 2 sets 31 games. The ladies were still playing well and won all 6 sets, 56 games to Jeparit's 0 sets, 21 games. Unfortunately the men were narrowly defeated winning 3 sets, 35 games to Jeparit's 3 sets, 38 games.

Both Megan Watts and Zali Angel won three of their sets while Hugh, Levi and Seth Keam along with Zac O'Connor were the best for the men winning 2 sets each.

Both Elysia Preston and Jenna Angel filled in for Jeparit. Elysia's niece Erin won a set for Jeparit. Brim travelled to Dimboola on **December 2nd** and were able to win 3.5 points 9 sets 125 games to 1.5 points 9 sets 113 games. As the local Cricket team had a bye, Isaac McPherson played his first match along with new recruits Kelly Angel and Rhys Boehm.

The Mixed doubles saw a close match with Brim winning 3 sets, 41 games to Dimboola's 3 sets, 41 games. The Men's doubles played well winning 4 sets, 45 games to 2 sets, 31 games. The Ladies unfortunately lost, winning only 2 sets and 39 games to Dimboola's 4 sets, 42 games. Best on the day were Seth Keam and Elysia Preston both winning 3 sets.

Rain interrupted the match against Hopetoun on **December 9th** with play being abandoned after 5 sets were played. Brim won the mixed doubles 3 sets, 49 games to 3 sets, 40 games for Hopetoun. Only 1 set was completed in both the men and ladies competition with Lachie Stewart and Hugh Keam winning 9 games to 7 and Megan Watts and Elysia Preston winning 9 games to 6 games. Later points were split, so Brim won 3 points, 5 sets, 67 games to Hopetoun 2 points 3 sets and 53 games. This was the last game before the Harvest break.

On the **3rd of February** Brim travelled to Arkona and defeated them 5 points 14 sets, 130 games to Arkona's) 0 points, 1 set 63 games. Eight of the 10 players all won 3 sets with Patrick Lindsay and Jemimah McPherson filling in for Arkona and won their only set. Luke, Jonty and Evan Hunter (sons of Russell, grandsons of Valda and Keith all play for Arkona.

February 10th saw Brim play Warracknabeal, winning all 5 points—13sets 141 games to 5 sets—109 games. Those winning three sets were Levi Keam, John Goodwin, Patrick Lindsay, Katy Bardell and Tia Credlin. Mixed won 4 sets 44 games to 2 sets 33 games, Men, 5 sets 51 games to 1 set 36 games and Ladies 4 sets 46 games to 2 sets 40 games.

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TENNIS RESULTS CONTINUED

On **February 17th**, Brim played the top team Rainbow who had some players unavailable in a night match in Brim. Brim won all 5 points, 13 sets, 131 games to Rainbow 2 sets, 55 games Brim won the mixed 4 sets, 42 games to Rainbow 1 set 21 games. The scores for the men were 5 sets, 45 games to 0 sets 7 games and the Brim ladies lost one set, winning 4 sets 44 games to 1 set, 27 games. Those winning 3 sets on the day were Hugh, Levi and Seth Keam, Simon and Katy Bardell and Zarli Angel.

In the last of the home and away matches on **February 24th**, Brim travelled to Antwerp and lost all points. Antwerp 5 points, 14 sets and 134 games defeated the Brim side 0 points, 4 sets 79 games. Unfortunately we have no other details of who played well on the day.

The ladder before the finals showed Rainbow on top, Brim 2nd, Hopetoun 3rd, Antwerp 4th, Dimboola 5th, Warracknabeal 6th, Jeparit 7th and Arkona 8th.

A GRADE CRICKET

A-GRADE: November 11th: BrimKSH 6 for 106 defeated Marnoo 104.

Isaac McPherson was the leading run maker with 41 not out. The best bowler was Charlie Dean with 4 for 7.

November 18th BrimKSH played St Arnaud and won with a winning score of 2 for 131 to St Arnaud scoring 9 for 129. The four players who took 2 wickets each

were Kobe McGregor, Lachie McGinnis, Chris McPherson and Royce Bennet.

Chris McPherson also scored the most runs with 30 not out.

On **November 25th**, Brim Kellelac Sheep Hills 94 were defeated by the Donald Jeffcott side 2 for 96. Tim Bell was the best of the batsmen with 35 runs while the two wicket takers were Lachie McGinnis and Charlie Dean.

Wycheproof/Narraport and BrimKSH opted to play their next match on **January 20th** instead of during harvest. Brim, batting last won with 2 /102 to Wycheproof

Narraport's 101. Chris McPherson and Jeremy Preston both took 4 wickets. Leigh Dovaston was the top scorer with 62.

On **January 27th**, The A-grade side 4 for 79 defeated St Marys 9 for 77. Isaac McPherson and Jeremy Preston both took 2 wickets as did Tim Bell who also top scored with 46 runs and was not out at the end of the game.

February 3rd saw BrimKSH lose to Marnoo in a close game Marnoo scoring 9 for 194 to Brim's 8 for 190. Royce Bennett captured 4 wickets and Isaac McPherson scored 88 runs.

On **February 10th** BrimKSH 8 for 143 beat St Arnaud 9 for 141. Brim bowled first with Chris McPherson and Charlie Dean both taking 2 wickets. Leigh Dovaston was the top batsman making 30 runs.

BrimKSH played their last games before the finals on **February 17th** when they played the top side Donald Jeffcott at Brim. They were again defeated scoring 6 for 98 to Donald Jeffcott's 8 for 143. Charlie Dean was the best with the ball taking 3 wickets for 39 runs. Isaac McPherson again score the most runs. He made 44.

On **February 24th** the A-grade side had a bye, but cannot lose their position of 2nd on the ladder and so will be aiming to do well in the finals in March.

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BEV APPLEDORE'S OVERSEAS TRIP

Bev Appledore recently holidayed in England Scotland Ireland and Wales with daughter Donna and grandchildren Ben, Imogen and Catherine.

On arrival in London they decided to go for a walk to Buckingham Palace and were greeted by marching bands and a full Royal Parade. King Charles was doing his first official opening of Parliament. It was very exciting to be there to witness history in the making and see the King. On our way back we also came across a 21 gun salute with canons.

The next days were spent exploring the city sights. Big Ben, Tower Bridge, Westminster Abbey, London Bridge and finding our way around using the Underground train system.



Then off to Windsor Castle. King Charles and Prince William were in residence when we arrived but we didn't see them this time. In the Chapel we saw the burial place of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip.

The Cotswolds was next. Arlington Road in Bibury and Bourton on the Water and stopping at small villages along the way. The scenery is so beautiful and the villages very quaint. We then visited Stratford-Upon-Avon the birthplace of William Shakespeare and toured his home and saw his wife Anne Hathaway's home before heading to our accommodation in Clifton.

The Lakes District was next on the agenda and we visited Lowther Castle, Gretna Green and Hadrian's Wall.



We continued north into Scotland stopping at Jedburgh for lunch and found the Abbey and Mary Queen of Scots house on our way to Edinburgh for the next three nights. Edinburgh Castle was placed in lockdown after we toured as activists smashed the glass case housing the Stone of Destiny, so we were lucky to see the crown, sceptre and stone when we did as we think they may have come in just after us. We did the hop on hop off bus tour of Edinburgh as it was cold and raining. Palace of Holyroodhouse was fantastic.

We then caught the ferry to Belfast and explored Grey Abbey. While in Ireland we saw the Carrick-a-rede Rope Bridge and Giants Causeway before crossing the border to Southern Ireland. Cliffs of Moher, Limerick and Blarney Castle were visited on our way to Dublin where we spent the next 3 days. We went to an Irish Dance Party and learnt traditional Irish dances. We were in the city the night of the riots but didn't see anything.





The next morning we left Ireland and headed across Wales to Worcestershire. Wind turbines in the sea could be seen all along the coast of Wales and although creating power they spoilt the seascape. What are we doing to our beautiful world.

We went to Bath on our way to Stonehenge where we met up with Donna's husband Andrew and I headed to Heathrow and home. The others continued on to Europe and America.

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NEWS IN BRIEF (continued)

DEATHS:

Deepest Sympathy to the family of **Glennis Bradbury** of Brim who passed away recently. Glennis has lived in Swann Street Brim for some time now and was being cared for by her son Frazer.

The Brim community extend their deepest Sympathy to Shirley, Sue ,Leanne and Nicole and their families on the recent death of Jim Quick. Jim passed away in Geelong on December 2nd he was 88. We wish his family all the very best.

We were also saddened to hear of the passing of **Doreen Johnston** in December.

Doreen is the mother of Leonie Atkin, mother-in-law of Graham and Grandmother of Paul, Brad, Hayley and their families. Deepest sympathy to Leonie and Graham and to Mark and Helen families.

We were also saddened to hear of **Pam Hewitt's** death recently. Pam and her husband Michael (dec) lived at Willenabrina in the early years of their marriage. Our thoughts go out to her two children Stephen and Paula and their families.

It was also extremely sad to hear of the accident which took the life of former Brim Eagles player Mark Heubner recently. Our thoughts and condolences go to all his family.

Our thoughts also go to the Hunter family on the passing of Betty. Betty was the wife of former Brim resident Bruce (dec) and is the sister-in-law of Keith (dec) and Valda Hunter.

We are also saddened to hear of the recent death of Ros Crisp. Ros was the first wife of Geoff who passed away last year. She was the mother of Nigel, Shannon Trenton and Rhiannon. Our sympathies go to all her family.



A photo of Alex Morcom has now been mounted next to the photo of Mathew Rosa in the Brim Sports Centre.

Alex is the daughter of Caroline and Michael Morcom from Kellalac.

She has been playing Australian Rules football with Essendon firstly in the VFLW since 2018 and was promoted to their AFLW side in 2022.

Last season Essendon played in the finals, but was eliminated after the first week.

Her father Michael who played with the Brim Eagles and won the best and fairest award in 1992, has recently died due to a farming accident. Deepest sympathy to Caroline, Sam, Hamish, Alex and all the Morcom family.

Rural Northwest Health presented service and scholarship awards at their Christmas celebration held at the Warracknabeal racecourse. **Gay Seebohm** received an award for 10 years of service. Gaye is the daughter of Muriel and Alan (dec) Martin.

Narelle Gunn was one of two awarded a Leo Casey Scholarship. Narelle is at present studying a degree in Nursing as well as continuing her work at the hospital. Narelle is the daughter of Michael and Kay Gunn (nee Quick).

Congratulations also go to Manique Cox (nee Trickey) who recently completed her graduate. nursing program. On the same day, Manique began her maternity leave for her third child. Manique has been working with Rural Northwest Health for 8 years.

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BRIM KELLALAC SHEEP HILLS CRICKET B-GRADE

November 11th: The B-grade team 63 lost to Charlton 5 for 273. Trent Allen made 16 runs and was the top scorer while Barry Schilling, Ben Williamson, Sean Wright and Jack Hadley all took a wicket each.

On **November 18th** the B-grade had a bye.

Donald Jeffcott 5 for 116 defeated BKSH 8 for 114 on **November 25th.** Barry Schilling was top run scorer with 33 while Josh McPherson took 3 wickets.

On **December 2nd**, the B– grade 5 for 161 side played and defeated Watchem 67. Sandon Schultz made an impressive 51 while both Barry and Ethan Schilling along with Kobe McGregor took 2 wickets..

The last match for the B-grade side for 2023 was against the Southern Mallee side on **December 16th** when they lost with 65 runs to the Southern Mallee team's 3 for 66. Sandon Schultz was the best of the batsmen with 16 runs and the best bowler taking 2 for 15.

The B-grade side had another win on **January 27th** when they scored 2 for 114 defeating St. Marys 9 for 108. Sandon Schultz took 3 wickets and a fill-in took 4. Barry Schilling made 38 runs. Charlton again beat BKSH on **February 3rd**, winning! For 95 to Brim's score of 93. Ethan Schilling made 23 runs while father Barry took the only wicket.

February 10th B– Grade did not play, but were again successful on **February 17th** when they defeated Donald/Jeffcott 6 for 124 to 122. Aiden Ciemcoich took 3 wickets for 13 runs while Glen Pearse batted well making 52.

In the last match for the year, Brim Kellalac Sheep Hills B-grade were able to notch up another win—this time against Watchem. BKSH won 2 for 80 after getting Watchem out for 78. Two players took the bulk of the wickets with one un-named player taking 4 wickets for 18 runs and Leigh Dovaston taking 3 wickets for 2 runs. The best batsman was Trent Allen with 31 not out. B—Grade did not make the finals.

The Mobile Library visits Brim before 9 am Wednesdays on the following date: March 27th, April 10th and 24th

Anyone wishing to use this service please drop any books etc, to the General Store before this date. There is a library collection box at the shop.

Books, magazines, audio books and DVDs can be borrowed through this Library service.

Specific items or items on a certain topic can be ordered through the Warracknabeal library or using an order form available at McPherson's Store.

When ordered items have been delivered to Brim, A book delivery card will be placed with your mail. Library membership forms will be available at the shop.

For further information: please ring 0353 980100.

Recycling: Mixed recycling with the yellow bin will be collected on the weeks beginning on Friday the 22nd of March and April 5th and 19th. It is collected in Brim on Fridays and in Warracknabeal on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The collection date for the glass recycling with the purple bins will be Friday March 15th and May 10th.

BRIM ACTIVE COMMUNITY GROUP NEWSLETTER

A big thank you to all who have contributed to the newsletter. Contributions are most welcome. Please do not hesitate to contact us on email kpgouin@gmail.com. If you have anything to contribute such as what you are doing now, memories of living in this area or any other items of interest. Contributions can also be left at the General Store in Brim.

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THE BRIM UNITY CHURCH ARE HOSTING A

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday March 22nd 2024

At the Brim Sports Centre at 7.45pm

Single bookings or Tables of 8 can be booked by contacting Bev on 0427 904 216

Or Mavis on 0447 904 233

Adults \$10.00 Students \$5.00

BYO Supper

Tea, coffee, cordial etc provided.



Anyone looking to see what might be going on in Brim and District can check on Facebook on the Brim Community Notice Board page. It was very disappointing that someone recently damaged part of the lawn area at Reddas Park by lighting a fire on the creek side of the playground equipment. The Lions Club members work hard to keep up the maintenance of the area and this damage shows no respect or appreciation for their hard work. For this to happen in a area close to trees and at a time when fire restrictions are in force is quite dangerous.

Anyone who knows anything about this or other damage at a future time, please report it to the Lions Club or Police.



Warracknabeal District Junior Cricket Association

The Warracknabeal Junior Cricket Association has only comprised of two teams for the 2023/24 season. They are the Beulah / Hopetoun Giants and the Warrack Stars. They have played two- day games over the season.

On November 11th/18th The Stars beat the Giants 86 to 82. Rubiee Crisp took 3 wickets for three runs and Chad Hartnett top scored with 12 runs.

The game on **November 24th** was abandoned due to wet weather, but on **December 2nd** the stars made a score of 98 with Oliver Holland making a score of 11.

On **February 11th** a combined side from this area played against an Ouven junior cricket side for the in augural Mallee Cup. They won 122 to Ouyen's 115. Chad Hartnett took 4 wickets for 18 runs and Spencer Williams was the top scorer with 57.

The match on February 10th and 17th saw another win to the Stars who scored 106 to the Giants 52. Chad Hartnett made 29 and took 4 wickets for 9 runs. Isaac Credlin made 16 runs.

The Grand final was played on February 24th where the Stars 165 defeated the Giants 161 in a close game. Jackson Moore was the star for the Giants making 64 and taking 3 wickets for 10 runs. For the Stars Chad Hartnett made 51 runs and took 6 wickets for 5 runs.

Awards for the Season:

Batting Average winner was Chad Hartnett Avg103, Bowling award went to Axel Decker Avg 6.14 run per wicket taken,

The Fielding Award was won be Jaiden Cooksley with 4 catches and a run out. and the Cricketer of the year was awarded to Chad Hartnett with 213 points. Well done to both teams and the trophy winners for 2023/24.

Interleague side

Warrack Stars premiership side



Back from Left: Graeme Holland (Coach) Axel Decker, Rubiee Crisp, Jaiden Cooksley, Harry Williams, Charlie Williams, Spenser Williams, Max Roberts, Jack Vanderburg (Coach)

Front Row Left: Lawson Hallam, Oliver Holland, Jackson Moore, Chad Hartnett,

Parker Hallam, Sam Williamson,

Winner of the Fielding award Jaiden Cooksley Back: Issac Credlin, Charlie Slater, Sam Williamson, Jaiden Cooksley, Harry Williams, Chad Hartnett, Ryan Holland, Bayden Jenkinson, Oliver Credlin, Oliver Holland. Front: Colby Anderson, Seth Roche, Rubiee Crisp, Jed Hartnett.

Giants Axel Decker going for a catch while Spencer Williams looks on .



CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 10TH

The Christmas Party organised by the Brim Community Group was held on December 10th and was again well attended. The caterers were Floss Smith and the Jeparit Tennis Club and they served up an enjoyable meal for everyone. The main feature was a visit from the man in the red suit who arrived on the fire truck again this year.

Pictures below.





















NEW YEARS EVE 2023

The Brim Lions club again hosted and event to welcome in the New Year at Reddas Park. This year they hired a Dunk Tank so they could use it to raise money for future work around the town. People would bid for the opportunity to throw balls at a target so that personalities would fall into the water in the tank. This event raised approximately \$2,500 for the Lions Club. With donations, the Lions Club raised around \$3760.

Another activity of interest was a yabby race called the Clawfield Cup where those who brought vabbies with them could compete on the 1,000mm track. Two heats were staged before the final with the winning yabby being Meatloaf owned by Bayden Jenkinson. Several other prizes for yabbies were also awarded including the best presented yabby won by Devon Boyd.

The evening concluded with a fireworks display from the west side of the creek.



Above & right: Scenes from the dunk tank.









Above: They're racing in the Clawfield Cup!









MORE NEW YEARS EVE FIREWORKS







Photographs courtesy of Colleen McPherson

TWO WEDDINGS FOR THE APPLEDORE FAMILY



Kaye and Ian Appledore have recently had two marriages in the their family. On December 31st their daughter Fiona (left) married Cameron Natt in Horsham. They are pictured here with their children Eddie, 4 and Ollie 2.

February 4th saw the marriage of the eldest child Nathan to Talitha Farrawell at Hamilton.

They are pictured on the left with their family Ethan, Barret and Alice.
Congratulations goes to them all.



CRICKET AND TENNIS WILL BOTH PLAY IN THE GRAND FINAL

Congratulations to both the Brim tennis and Brim Kellalac Sheep Hills A-grade cricket teams for reaching the Grand final. Cricket will play Donald Jeffcott on March 9th at Birchip while the tennis play Antwerp on March 16th.

Semi final results below:

The cricket won 4 for 89 to Marnoo 87. Best bowlers were Jeremy Preston and Charlie Dean both with 3 wickets. Top run scorer was Isaac McPherson with 25 closely followed by his father Mark on 20.

The tennis team defeated Hopetoun 5 points, 13 sets, 134 games to 0 points, 5 sets, 120 games. Those winning all three sets were Katy Bardell, Jenna Angel, Simon Bardell and Hugh Keam.

Congratulations on a successful year for both teams.

WANTED: New or old used tea towels for the Brim Sports Centre. These can be left at McPhersons store.

Thank You.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS IN WARRACKNABEAL

A number of Brim and district identities were involved in the celebration of Australia Day at the Warracknabeal Racecourse this year.

Stacey Drage (wife of Cameron) from Batchica was awarded Citizen of the Year. Stacey is involved in many local organisations taking on executive roles, coaching, fundraising and general support to organisations as well as being a lifeguard at the swimming pool in Warracknabeal.. Her main involvements have been with the swimming club, the town Hall committee and aspects of schooling. Well done Stacey!

Another person who won an award was **Graeme Holland** (son of Gwen and Boyce). Graeme was awarded Sportsperson of the year. Graeme has been involved in administration, coaching and playing sports. He has been a member of the Brim Sports and Social Club since 1996 and secretary since 2013. His love of cricket and football has seen him involved in playing at both junior and senior levels and now he continues his involvement through both coaching and administration in the junior levels of the sports. Over the years, outside his sporting roles, he has also been involved with the Brim Lions Club, CFA, the Anglican church and St Marys Primary School..

Congratulations Graeme.

Guest speaker for the day was **Emily Pearson**. Emily is the daughter of Greg and Julie of Crymelon. Emily completed a science degree at Monash university after finishing her schooling in Warracknabeal. She then moved into the education sector. She has worked as a researcher with the Australian Education Research Organisation, been an Assistant Principal at a Melbourne school and has been head of Strategy and Impact at Teach for Australia. She is now involved with the not for profit Centre for non-violence and as a manager at Learning First consultancy.

The fourth member from the local area who featured on the day was former Brim East man **Jeff Woodward** who entertained the crowd with the 2 songs 'Solid rock' and 'From Little Things Big Things Grow.' Jeff is the son of Max and Lyn Woodward.





Bottom: Stacey Drage, Graeme Holland and group of guests and officials











TRADE TRIPLES

The trade triples were held at the Brim Memorial Bowling Club over four nights during February. Each night began with a barbeque meal before commencing playing at 7pm.

Fourteen teams of three played for the last three nights with only twelve playing on the first night due to COVID.

The winner on the first two nights was Thunder and Lightning featuring Shane Wardle, Graham Atkin and Gwenda Torney. On the third night were the Golf team with Mavis Wardle and Kelvin and Pat Gouin with Richard Tickner taking the place of Mavis on the fourth night. On the last night the winning team was The Boys featuring Keegan King, Liam Muller and Jonathon Hewitt. The winning team over the four nights was Thunder and Lightning with golf the runners up on a countback from the Keam Team.

The Martin Clan team of Charlie, Nicola and Lindsay were awarded the encouragement award. A big thank you to sponsors of the competition W. G. and S.F. McPherson.





Top left: On the fourth night, two of the pink ladies Nadine Jenkinson and Colleen McPherson dressed in a costume to play bowls. **Top right:** The overall winning Thunder and Lightning team with sponsor Wavell McPherson and bowls President Buddy Witney. **Bottom left: The** runner-up Golf team, and **Bottom right:** Encouragement awards winners the Martin Clan.





END OF AN OLD STORE-EE



Above: the store before demolition

The original General Store building has been demolished recently.
Unfortunately the shop got beyond repairing due to its age and the damage from white ants.

With the increase in customers due to extra services added such as banking and postal services, the CRT Business and visitors coming to view the silo art the store no longer suited the purpose.

Many will have fond memories of this old store.

PHOTOS TAKEN DURING DEMOLITION













The demolition only took one and a half days and there are plans for the site to be used as a car park in the near future. As the building was considered unsafe by council, when the new building was erected, it became part of the permit that the old building was to be demolished. COVID restrictions delayed the demolition until February this year.