

APR 2025

Cypress View News



April Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Local Church Services SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Every Sunday of the Month:
10:30am

SEVEN DAY ADVENTIST REFORM MOVEMENT SATURDAY

Sabbath school 10:30am

Divine Service 11:30am

UNITING CHURCH SUNDAY

Worship Service : 9:30am

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST MARK THE EVANGELIST Holy Eucharist

1st & 4th Sunday 9.30am

3rd Sunday 11.00am

Parish Service

2nd Sunday 9.30am

5th Sunday not on sign



Marg. F turned
87

Merna turned
87

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO YOU



Pat. F
turned 90



Bev teaching Willow how to play the piano.



Karen, Willow and Lundy getting the office work done.



Matilda, Willow, Bev and Pat.F enjoyed some mandala rock painting.



WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE MURRUMBIDGEE

THE PUNT HOTEL 100 YEARS CELEBRATIONS

One of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area's oldest pubs, The Punt Hotel in Darlington Point, celebrated its 100th birthday on Saturday March 29.



COLEAMBALLY SENIORS FREE MORNING TEA AND LUNCHEON

Date: Wednesday, 30 April 2025 | 10:30 AM

Seniors of Murrumbidgee, join us for a fabulous morning tea and luncheon on Wednesday 30 April 2025, starting at 10:30 am at the Coleambally Community Club!

Enjoy tasty food and great entertainment by Ray Macartney, and stick around for the weekly bingo after lunch.

It's the perfect chance to connect, relax and have fun!

Don't forget to wear your brightest, shimmery, or sparkliest outfit – it's time to shine!

Bookings essential! Call 1300 676 243 or visit a council office to secure your spot.

If interested let someone in the office know, or ring

This event is proudly funded by Murrumbidgee Council. Let's make this day sparkle!

the phone number to book your spot.



Theme:

'Time to Shine'

Attendees are encouraged to wear a touch of something sparkly, shimmery, bright or vibrant



Murrumbidgee
COUNCIL

Celebrating Seniors *Festival*

Jerilderie

Seniors Luncheon

Thursday 1 May 2025

Morning tea from 10.30am

Jerilderie Civic Hall

Get set for an enjoyable day with entertainment by Ray Macartney followed by a free luncheon and concluding with choir performances by the children of St Joseph's Primary School

Seniors Movie

Friday 2 May 2025

1.00pm

Jerilderie Library

Coleambally

Seniors Luncheon

Wednesday 30 April 2025

Morning tea from 10.30am

Coleambally Community Club

Join us for an enjoyable day with entertainment by Ray Macartney and a free luncheon.

Weekly bingo commences at the club after the luncheon for any attendees that wish to stay on and participate

Darlington Point

High Tea and Seniors Movie

Tuesday 13 May 2025

Commencing 11.00am

Murrumbidgee Shire Hall

Join us and be treated with all sorts of delicious delectables during an indoor cinema experience watching the new release 'Thelma' at the beautifully restored Murrumbidgee Shire Hall

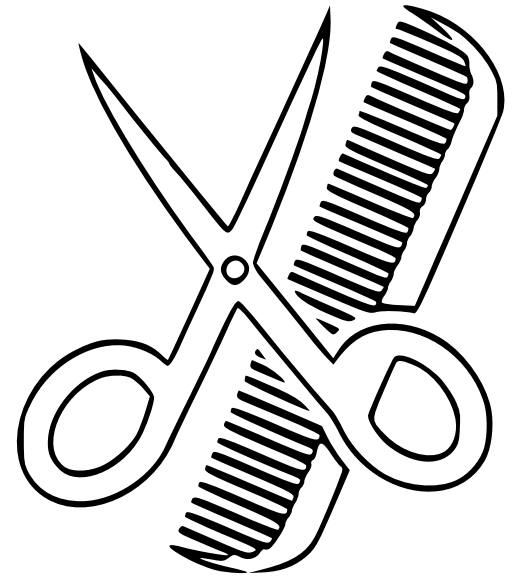
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

To register for any of our seniors activities visit your local Council office or call **1300 676 243**

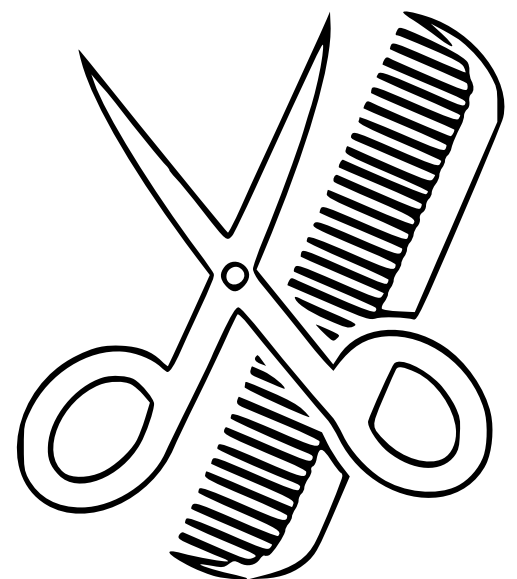
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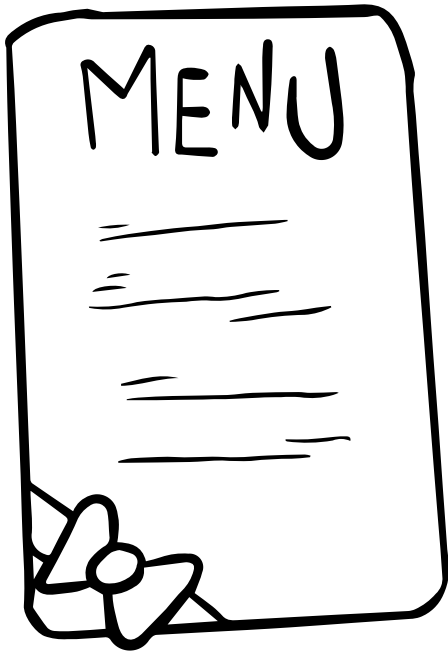


Residents did
easter craft,
during the
month of April
to get into the
easter spirit.

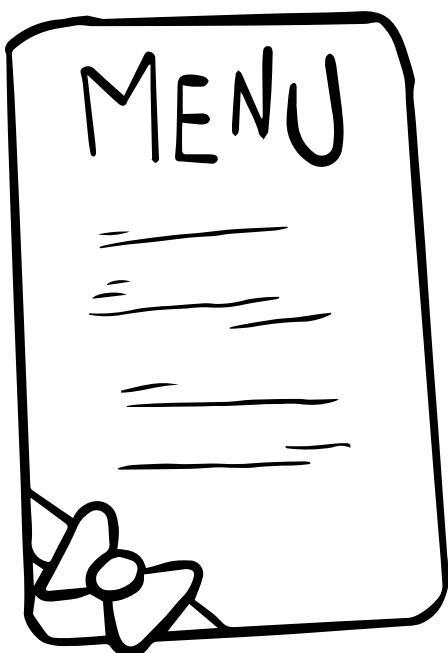


Jenna's visited
on the 14th of
April. Next
visit will be 2nd
of June.





The Winter Menu
will begin
sometime in May.



Play group will be
visiting tomorrow
for morning tea
on the 29th Of
April.



Residents were visited by St Peters school kids and did some easter hat craft.



Congratulations to Margaret Dunbar who won 1ST prize in the colouring in competition at our local club.



Laughter is good for the soul.

1. How many retirees does it take to change a lightbulb? **One, but it'll take all day**
 2. What do you call a belt with a watch attached to it? **A waist of time.**
 3. Why did the strawberry cry? **He found himself in a jam.**
 4. Where did the ghost go on holidays? **The boo-hamas**
 5. Why was the broom late for work? **It over swept**
 6. Why did the man get fired from the orange juice factory? **Lack of concentration.**
 7. You're not old, you're just chronologically gifted.
 8. Everytime i cough, sputter or sneeze, my radiator leaks and my exhaust backfires.
 9. What do you get from a pampered cow? **Spoiled milk.**
 10. What do you call a fly with no wings? **A walk.**
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The Area News

Coleambally woman looking to hand rural aged- care providers a lifeline



By [Allan Wilson](#) 24 2025 - 2:19 pm, first published 1:57pm
Updated March

An innovative approach to keep the doors open at independent aged care facilities is being championed by an MIA woman.

Karen Hodgson from Cypress View Lodge in Coleambally is part of a move to establish a cooperative between nine other providers.



Karen Hodgson from Cypress View Lodge in Coleambally is part of a move to establish a cooperative between nine other providers.
Picture supplied

She says independent facilities, in particular, are struggling under the burden of regulations that have hit the sector in the wake of the Aged Care Royal Commission. Ms Hodgson hopes the project will save her outlet and others in a 200-kilometre radius, from Borowa to Hillston to Hay.

"My hope is this will keep us viable," she said.

"All nine facilities are in small communities with between 70 and 100 per cent occupancy along with waiting lists."

The cooperative is being assisted by a \$7 million Federal Government program called Care Together.

The program is administered by the Business Council of Cooperatives and Mutuals and is trying to help establish co-ops in the care sector where traditional business models are failing.

Difficulties attracting and retaining skilled workers, lack of resources to tackle increasing regulatory requirements and further expected legislative changes are just some of the burdens driving the move.

"Because we're independent, we're having to address all these issues ourselves," she said. "When it comes to aged care, there's a lot of reporting and standards that fall on staff. "The red tape is taking away our time and effort to invest in our residents and we're already facing staffing issues."

The cooperative will perform the back office and compliance functions for all nine operators. Assisting with recruitment will also be a part of its function. "Human resources is a huge problem," she said.

"Meeting requirements are difficult because we have to employ and there just aren't enough registered nurses out there to begin with.

"In order for me to recruit, I have to do so from overseas, which means having to pay for the

services of a recruitment company, accommodation, Visa costs, and hiring an immigration

lawyer." It's hoped the co-op will be operational by the end of the financial year.

"We're hoping to lodge the co-op rules by the end of March," Ms Hodgson said.



Ms Hodgson with resident Patricia Fraser. Picture supplied

"Fortunately, we have funding from the Department of Health and Aged Care to assist us. "I really hope this works because if successful, we can provide this to other facilities as well."

Coleambally Football and Netball started back up on the 29th Of March.

Round 1

Saturday, 29 March 2025

	Coleambally Blues A Grade	19
		FINAL
	East Wagga Hawks A Grade	45
		A Grade.

Round 1

Saturday, 29 March 2025

	Coleambally Blues A Reserve	24
		FINAL
	East Wagga Hawks A Reserve	51
		A Reserve.

Round 1

Saturday, 29 March 2025

	Coleambally Blues B Grade	32
		FINAL
	East Wagga Hawks B Grade	28
		B Grade.

Round 1

Saturday, 29 March 2025

	Coleambally Blues C Grade	16
		FINAL
	East Wagga Hawks C Grade	36
		C Grade.

Round 1

Saturday, 29 March 2025

	Coleambally Blues Reserves	43
		6,7
		FINAL
	EWK Hawks Reserves	82
		12,10
	EWK Hawks Reserves won by 39 points	

Reserve Grade.

Round 1

Saturday, 29 March 2025

	Coleambally Blues Seniors	37
		5,7
		FINAL
	EWK Hawks Seniors	85
		12,13
	EWK Hawks Seniors won by 48 points	

First Grade.

Coleambally Football and Netball

Round 3

Saturday, 12 April 2025

12/04/25

Round 3

Saturday, 12 April 2025



North Wagga Saints Reserves

102

15.12

FINAL



Coleambally Blues Reserves

2

0.2



North Wagga Saints A Grade

48

FINAL



Coleambally Blues A Grade

30

Reserves

A Grade

Round 3

Saturday, 12 April 2025

Round 3

Saturday, 12 April 2025



North Wagga Saints Seniors

58

8.10

FINAL



Coleambally Blues Seniors

81

12.9

Coleambally Blues Seniors won by 23 points

1st Grade



North Wagga Saints A Reserve

54

FINAL



Coleambally Blues A Reserve

19

A Reserve

Round 3

Saturday, 12 April 2025



North Wagga Saints B Grade

41

FINAL



Coleambally Blues B Grade

34

B Grade

Round 3

Saturday, 12 April 2025



North Wagga Saints C Grade

25

FINAL



Coleambally Blues C Grade

23

C Grade

Coleambally Football and Netball

26/04/25

 Northern Jets Seniors	50	7.8	Northern Jets Reserves	67	10.7
	FINAL			FINAL	
 Coleambally Blues Seniors	68	10.8	Coleambally Blues Reserves	11	1.5
Coleambally Blues Seniors won by 18 points			Northern Jets Reserves won by 56 points		

Round 4

Saturday, 26 April 2025

 Northern Jets A Grade	51	FINAL
 Coleambally Blues A Grade	41	

Round 4

Saturday, 26 April 2025

 Northern Jets A Reserve	39	FINAL
 Coleambally Blues A Reserve	37	

Round 4

Saturday, 26 April 2025

 Northern Jets B Grade	40	FINAL
 Coleambally Blues B Grade	22	

 Northern Jets C Grade	21	FINAL
 Coleambally Blues C Grade	27	

Coleambally Darlington Point Roosters started back on the 13/04/24

SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Round 1

2025 NSWRL
Blues Tag
Seniors Hay
Magpies



20

FULL TIME

6



2025 NSWRL
Blues Tag
Seniors DPC
Roosters

[Hay Park Oval - Field 1](#)

League Tag

SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Round 1

2025 1st
Grade Hay
Magpies



20

FULL TIME

34



2025 1st
Grade DPC
Roosters

[Hay Park Oval - Field 1](#)

1st Grade

SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Round 1

2025
Reserve
Grade Hay
Magpies



26

FULL TIME

10



2025
Reserve
Grade DPC
Roosters

[Hay Park Oval - Field 1](#)

Reserves

Coleambally Darlington Point Roosters

26/04/24

SUNDAY 27TH APRIL

Round 2

2025 NSWRL
Blues Tag
Seniors DPC
Roosters



6

FULL TIME

38



2025 NSWRL
Blues Tag
Seniors
Griffith Black
& Whites

League Tag

SUNDAY 27TH APRIL

Round 2

2025
Reserve
Grade DPC
Roosters



28

22



2025
Reserve
Grade
Griffith Black
& Whites

Reserves

SUNDAY 27TH APRIL

Round 2

2025 1st
Grade DPC
Roosters



16

FULL TIME

40



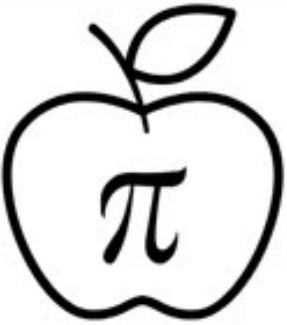
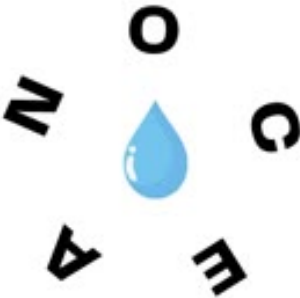
2025 1st
Grade
Griffith Black
& Whites

1st Grade

We farewelled Bob Alexander, a much-loved member of our Lodge family on 6th Of April. Bob lived with us for just over 3 years. Bob had a great sense of humour and was a pleasure to care for. He will be greatly missed by all. We extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends.



Easy Dingbats

1 FINGERS FINGERS	2 	3 → Five Five	4 
5 TROUBLE TROUBLE	6 	7 	8 
9 	10 → AID AID AID AID	11 	12 
13 SOMEWHERE 	14 DR. DO	15 LEM ADE	16 
17 	18 	19 	20 