



# NOWA NOWA FUTURES

## NEWS

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## Transition Update

### VISITOR ECONOMY

The group has been gathering information around innovative sewerage solutions, talking about hospitality venues and how to use the old mill site.

The hospitality survey results were also discussed and has been valuable in the directing of the discussions. It has been put on the table to have a pilot hospitality venue at the Hall, the group believes this pilot can act as a feasibility study for future hospitality venues whether already existing or emerging. Its an exciting time, so watch this space and get ready to support these initiatives!

### PRIMARY INDUSTRY

During the last Working Group meeting, there was a decision to investigate waste material on agricultural lands, resulting in minimal wastage overall. Hemp farming logistics, requirements, and opportunities were thoroughly discussed as a focal point.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR MORE PEOPLE TO JOIN THIS PRIMARY INDUSTRY WORKING GROUP AND PROVIDE INPUT INTO THE CONVERSATION. OUR NEXT MEETING IS ON THE **22ND AUGUST 2PM**

Please let Hayley know if you wish to attend [hayley@nowanowa.org.au](mailto:hayley@nowanowa.org.au)

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We have received 18 anonymous responses for the Hospitality Survey. Since this topic is still open for discussion in the Visitor Economy meetings, we encourage more input. The more feedback we receive, the better we can tailor potential opportunities to meet the desired needs.

## NATURE TOURISM

Last month we had another great working group discussion, with future opportunities following. Highlight was hearing from **Tim Gentle from Think.Digital**. Tim gave an overview on the different ways to use AR, he shared his knowledge of 10 years working in the industry. Tim showed a gamified, map based app called Goosechase (non-AR) that would be a good starting point for the AR experience. Tim has used this app with his children to get them exploring an area and doing activities, all while tracking where they are via his phone. It was also discussed about using AR to point at a location and it presents a story or image going back in time and providing opportunity for education schools.

**Another instance is the Sheep EAD AR app and Farm AR app, which can be downloaded on phones. Try it out to explore its functionality and gain insight into how AR can be integrated into the Visitor Economy of Nowa Nowa.**



# WHAT IS AR?



Augmented Reality (AR) It is a type of technology that allows digital images & information to be displayed onto the physical environment



## Welcome Michelle!

We have filled the Admin Assistant position successfully. Please meet Michelle Webb, who you might recognise from Snowy River Cycling. We are excited to have her working in Nowa Nowa.

## Mobile Phones for Dummies Sessions

**Don't let technology leave you behind—let's embrace it together and enhance our everyday lives!**

Nowa Nowa Futures project with Learn Local Gippsland are providing 'digital literacy sessions' that will enable even the least tech savvy of us to start to unlock some of the extraordinary functions that a phone, tablet or laptop can now offer that better connect us with the world around us.

Keeping in touch with friends, checking the weather, keeping aware of emergencies, shopping and healthcare are just some of the things our devices can help us do.

**Workshops** will run on

**Wednesday August 21, 28 and September 4th.**

Subsidized by Nowa Nowa Futures, the cost per person is just \$10

**We need to know numbers!** If you think you might be interested, or would like more information, please contact Hayley on [hayley@nowanowa.org.au](mailto:hayley@nowanowa.org.au) or 0487053709



### TOPSOILS PROJECT

Expression of Interest for those wanting to continue participating in the project, as well as welcome any new individuals who might be interested in join in



Find out more

Please click the link to add your name to the contacts list and express your interest: **CLICK LINK:**  
<https://bit.ly/3YjJVdn>

Scan QR code to register interest






**REGISTER**

**SUCCESSION**  
Family, Farm, Finance, Future  
Orbost Golf Club - Thursday 29 August 2024  
9.30-2pm (lunch included)  
Your ticket includes access to the speaker program, local business expo, lunch and a free or discount follow up with providers at the event




**Design a Website for your business with no-code tools**

**Online 21 August 2024**

Are you ready to set up a website for your business but not sure where to start?

This class run by Startup Gippsland is for you!

Date: Wednesday 24 August 2024  
Time: 5.30 pm - 7.00 pm

**No cost. Find out more or register through QR code**




**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - EAST GIPPSLAND BENCHMARKING**

East Gippsland Benchmarking Group will provide you with an opportunity to compare your farm business against other like business within our region.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER RING CHRIS JEHU 0487 291 197.

**THE LEMON HILL GALLERY IS CLOSED DURING AUGUST. WE RE-OPEN ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH**



**Have a voice with the NN Development Group** 

Do you have an idea or issue about Nowa Nowa? Do you want to join the development group, please email [info@nowanowa.org.au](mailto:info@nowanowa.org.au) or speak with one of the members of the committee.

The following meetings in 2024 are open to all Nowa Nowans. We hope to see you there – Second Tuesdays of each month at 6pm in the Community Room behind the Health Centre.

**September 10 and November 12**

The alternate meetings are for the elected committee.

# WHATS ON



Pizza & Movie night held last Friday was a success, it was great to see families coming along these community events. We are excited to gather feedback from participants on ideas for future events that foster community engagement and social bonds in Nowa Nowa.

Everyone is welcome to complete the survey through the QR code to assist us in better serving the Nowa Nowa Community.

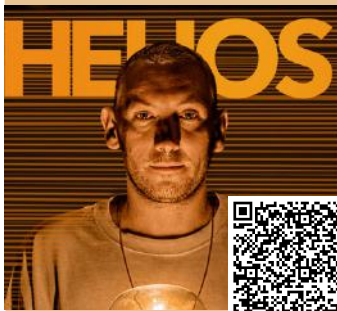


## HELIOUS - FREE show at Exhibition Centre

Friday 16 August 2024 7:30 PM - 8:40 PM

A story about the son of the god of the sun, HELIOS transplants the Ancient Greek tale into a modern-day myth wound round the winding roads of rural England and into the everyday living of a towering city.

A story about life, and about the invisible monuments we build to it.



## Water- wise Gardening

With ABC Gardening Australia's - Sophie Thomson

Join us for a engaging workshop on Water-wise Gardening where you'll learn practical tips for thriving in dry climates, effeicent composting techniques, climate-compatiable plants selection and strategies for enhancing food security through sustainable practices

**FREE - Bookings required**

**Marlo 5th Sept 6-8.30pm | Bairnsdale 6th Sept 12.30-2.30pm**



## LINE DANCING




**Where:** St. Andrews Church Hall (Uniting Church).  
40 Browning St Orbost

**When:** Monday 1-2.30pm

P: 5154 6742 E: orbostnh@orh.com.au



## NOWA NOWA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP



### Bernie's Corner

Hi to all and welcome to another month.  
We have lots to discuss this month so I'll get straight to it.

Firstly, though I would like to welcome Michelle Webb on board. Michelle is taking over from Liz who has moved on to other things. Michelle comes with a wealth of experience and will be a great addition to the team.

As I move closer to twelve months in this role I have reflected on the year and have also been interested in lots of Social Media commentary about our wonderful town. Whilst it is great to see the passion people have for the town. Now is the time to turn that passion into action. If you feel strongly about the town, as people suggest they do on social media, then come along to the meetings, become informed so you know the truer picture, then offer your suggestions or even your assistance.

Over the next month or so we need the community to ask questions, get the information required and put your ideas forward in the forums designed to get things moving in our area.

Hayley continues to run the Innovation Workgroups, and new will ones will be commencing soon. We need the Communities assistance though to take the next step. We have some great ideas that need to be worked through and brought to life, and we have some tireless volunteers who give their time freely to try to improve our town for all its residents. This is your opportunity to influence the direction of Nowa Nowa. Do not just talk about it, come along, and be involved. This is your future we are talking about. We are not far away from our Annual General Meeting so now is the perfect time to seek out your local committee members, find out what is going on and then have your say. This is the time you can have a say on who drives us forward and in where that forward movement takes us.

Enjoy August.

Bernie  
President  
NNCDG