



NOWA NOWA FUTURES

NEWS

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Transition Update

VISITOR ECONOMY

On September 2nd, the group met to address important community issues including hospitality, accommodation, and waste water management.

Hospitality Survey respondents expressed a strong desire for a venue that is cozy, welcoming, and community-oriented, combining casual and rustic elements with a modern flair. The feedback highlighted the need for a versatile, inviting space that appeals to both families and individuals, with a focus on fostering a sense of community, offering high-quality food, and providing a comfortable atmosphere. This will be continued to be looked into as a trial at the Community Hall.

PRIMARY INDUSTRY

Last meeting was held 22nd of Aug, with discussion around excess produce and what are the opportunities using our natural environment (such as venison). Large scale farms can grow for excess, but smaller scale can not, so we discussed drying and sending away for further production.

We also heard from Snowy River Biltong, who shared their product and business goals. They highlighted a growing demand for venison and how tapping into this resource could benefit the economy.

The group is excited about the potential to create a cooperative facility focused on dehydrating food and will continue to explore this opportunity.

NATURE TOURISM

At the meeting on Monday, August 26th, the working group discussed the Augmented Reality (AR) map concept. For now, we decided to trial a paper treasure map over the school holidays as a test. This map could use geo-points or distinct landmarks with trivia, and there will be rewards for completed and returned maps. The group also agreed that training and long-term job opportunities should be a key part of the AR concept moving forward.

We're still discussing the boardwalk infrastructure and have also considered hosting a Nature Tourism Forum in Nowa Nowa. This event would support local businesses and entrepreneurs interested in small business and tourism.

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WHATS ON

15TH OCTOBER – TEMPORARY FENCING WORKSHOP.
FREE. 10AM TO 2PM AT THE GIPPSLAND AGRICULTURE CENTRE

Temporary Fencing Workshop

In this workshop, you will learn how to set up temporary fences for better grazing management of your livestock, including how to account for both lush and dry times to ensure optimal pasture health and utilisation.

- Fencing for;
- rotational grazing
 - strip grazing
 - different fences for sheep vs cattle

Date: Tuesday 15th October

Venue: Gippsland Agriculture Centre, 345 Bengworden Rd, Bairnsdale

Time: 10.00 am to 2.00 pm



Click Link or Scan QR Code
<https://bit.ly/4fpVDJoxT>



Any questions please contact Emma Orgill on 0400 467 921 or emma.orgill@fevl.org.au

COST - free but bookings required

This project is supported by FRRR, through funding from the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and the Sustainable Agriculture Facilitator Program is supported by the East Gippsland Catchment Authority through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.



LIMITED QUANTITY

12TH SEPTEMBER – SMALL ENGINE WORKSHOP
\$50 A PERSON. 8.30AM TO 4PM AT THE SARSFIELD RECREATION RESERVE.

Small Engine & Water Systems Maintenance Workshop

COURSE: RIISAM204D Operate small plant and equipment

Learn about the basic maintenance & repair of small engines

- pumps
- generators
- mowers
- and more

Date: Thursday 12th September 2024

Venue: Sarsfield Community Hall (20 School Rd, Sarsfield 3875)

Time: 8.30am to 4.00pm



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COST - \$50 per person **non refundable

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LIMITED QUANTITY

Free Self-Employment Assistance Program



Introducing the free Self-Employment Assistance (SEA) program in East Gippsland, delivered by IntoJobs. Replacing NEIS in July 2022, SEA offers accredited training, 12 months of coaching, and expanded services.

SEA provides confidential support in business planning, financial advice, marketing, and strategy. It's perfect for anyone starting or growing a small business.

With only 70 spots available each year, register for a live online session to learn more.

For more information click here or visit www.intojobs.com.au



If anyone is thinking of starting their own business or would like help with their new business, take a look at this!

- Free Australian government program
- Flexibility to choose which services are right for you
- Delivered by small business experts
- Support in navigating self-employment

If this sounds interesting but you're unsure if it's right for you, please text Michelle. We want to tailor training sessions to fit the Nowa Nowa community and address any concerns you might have.

Text Michelle " Start " 0427 650 666

telehealth demonstration

Supporting you to live well!

A staff member from Gippsland Lakes Complete Health will be available to demonstrate how easy it is for Nowa Nowa community members to access medical appointments online.



Drop in and see us on:

Tuesday 8 October

10.30 am

Community Centre Activity Rm

For more information or support, contact:

Linda Daniel at GLCH 5155 7553

Bernie Rossi, President Nowa Nowa Community Development Group, 0421 915 583



Becoming a member is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

1. Go to gippslandag.com.au/join-us
2. Enter your membership details
3. Enter your credit card details

It's as easy as that! Your membership will then automatically be renewed every 12 months.

Your annual membership includes:

- Free entry to the field days, ute drives and paddock walks
- Regular emailed newsletters
- Results of trials and demonstrations
- Ability to have a Family/Farm Business membership

All for just \$99 per year (\$8.25 per month)!!

Plus so much more!

Join us today to stay up to date with all of our upcoming events, including:

- Spring Field Day
- Gippsland Red Meat Conference (GRMC)



So what are you waiting for?! Become a member today by scanning the QR Code or go to gippslandag.com.au/join-us

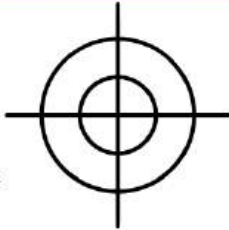
CONTACT US administration@gippslandag.com.au gippslandag.com.au

East Gippsland Women in Agriculture Network is hosting a day at the BUCHAN RIFLE RANGE

RIFLE SKILL DAY

DATE: 19th September 2024
 TIME: 10am - 1pm
 VENUE: Buchan Rifle Range
 Bruthen-Buchan Rd, Buchan South


If you have a gun licence - you can bring your own rifle (please ensure you have your gun licence with you on the day). For others, the rifle range will supply a rifle. There will be experienced trainers to assist on the day.



To book please contact Emma Orgill (Sustainable Agriculture Facilitator) on 0400 467 921 or emma.orgill@fevl.com.au or use this link <https://events.humanitix.com/copy-of-rifle-skills-day>

Numbers are limited lunch will be provided

The Sustainable Agriculture Facilitator is supported by the Australian Government through funding from the Natural Heritage Trust under the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program. This project is supported by the East Gippsland Catchment Authority through funding from the Connect Well Program and the Victorian Department of Health




Nowa Nowa Development group have formed a 'Friends of the Boggy Creek Rail Bridge' group.

More information please contact Steve 0428 516 751

BUSINESS SUPPORT VOUCHERS

Business Support Vouchers are available to eligible businesses and sole traders across East Gippsland Shire.

Vouchers can be used to access a range of professional services tailored to suit your business needs.

ACCESS SERVICES TO SUIT YOUR BUSINESS NEEDS

- FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**
Create a plan that aligns with your business goals. Learn about budgets, forecasting, planning, strategy and financial management.
- MARKETING STRATEGY**
Learn about digital marketing channels such as social media, SEO, content creation, email marketing, brand identity.
- BUSINESS PLANNING**
Planning for professional growth, offering guidance, support, and insights from experienced individuals.
- OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENT**
Implement solutions that can streamline operations, improve efficiency, and enhance workflow.

APPLY NOW!

Scan the QR code to submit your application or visit:

www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/business-support-voucher-program

business@egipps.vic.gov.au




This is a fantastic opportunity and we encourage everyone to apply for these business support vouchers!

If you're feeling unsure or don't know where to begin, we're here to help.

Just send me a text with the word "start," and we'll guide you through the process in a friendly, down-to-earth approach.

Text Michelle " Start " 0427 650 666

If you have a business idea but unsure how to get started or you would like to know more about what others are doing in the community please also get in touch!

The gallery has reopened!

“The Joy of Stilettos”
a collection of stiletto shoes inspired by

JOY ROSSI



Nowa Nowa Creators Market

CALL FOR STALL HOLDERS!

TWILIGHT MARKET

Saturday 5th October 2-6pm

This market is an additional market to coincide with Snowy River Cycling’s Bike Event in Nowa Nowa. At least 50 visitors will attend. Please contact Tracy 0419 565 775 to register your stall

Orbost Neighbourhood House

PROGRAM AND WORKSHOP INFORMATION

Volunteer -led regular Free Programs

Chair Yoga: Mondays, 10.00-11.00am & Wednesday, 4.00-5.00pm, suitable for all levels, bookings required.

Line Dancing: Mondays 1.00-2.30pm, Bookings required.

Meditation: Fridays 10.00-11.00am, Bookings required.

Social Craft Group: Tuesdays, 1.00pm-3.00pm, BYO project or we can provide a project.

Walking Group: Thursdays, 10.00am, a cuppa and catch up to follow.

Sister Circle: Full moon of each month, 8.00-10.00pm.

Writers Support Group: Every 2nd Friday, 1.00-3.00pm.

Programs by Catholic care

Creative Writing and Journaling: 1st Wednesday of every month, 12.00-1.00pm.

Colour and Creativity Workshop: 1st Wednesday of every month, 1.00-3.00pm.

East Gippsland Community Foundation Funded Programs

Gentle Yoga: Mondays, 5.30-7.00pm, suitable for all levels, bookings required.

Early Years Music for ages 0-3: Wednesdays, 10.30-11.15am.

Pilates: Tuesdays & Thursday, 5.15-6.00pm, Booking weekly essential via 'studio booking' app—search Wild Energy Fitness, \$10 per class, please call for booking assistance. subsidized by ONH.

Dog Obedience: 6 week program, starts October 12th, Saturdays 10.00-11.00, \$20 per week for new registrations, \$35 per week for return registrations.

Pottery: Mondays 14th and 28th of October, 5.30pm, \$20 for non concession, Bookings open.

Water Colour Workshop: Thursday 3rd of October, 1.30-3.30pm, Join Jess from The Art room-Gippsland, \$10.00 for non concession.

Gingerbread House workshop: Monday 2nd December, 10.30, \$25 for non concession, Light lunch provided.

Macrame: Term 4 dates to be confirmed.

Other Programs

Women's Health Week Event: Tuesday 3rd September, 5.30pm at St James Hall, RSVP for catering purposes.

R U OK DAY: Thursday 12th September, event at Cape Conran, walk and free BBQ, bus provided.

School Holiday Activities: Rock painting - Thursday 26th September and Mosaic Bug Bath - Thursday 3rd October.

Meta-fit Mondays, 9:00-9:30am, \$15.00 per class- Booking weekly essential via 'studio booking' app—search Wild Energy Fitness please call for booking assistance.

Pilates: Saturdays, 9.00am, Booking weekly essential via 'studio booking' app—search Wild Energy Fitness, \$20 per class, please call for booking assistance.

Diabetes Support Group: 3rd Tuesday of the month, 11.00am-12.00pm Supported by Katy and Elizabeth, Diabetes Educators.

ORBOST NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

Shop 6-7/144 Nicholson Street

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If you have any ideas for workshops or programs that could be held in Nowa Nowa, please let Michelle know: michelle@nowanowa.org.au
We'll explore the possibilities and see what we can arrange.



NOWA NOWA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Bernie's Corner

September is AGM month for the Nowa Nowa Community Development Group and that meeting was held on Tuesday the 10th.

I did mention this in the last newsletter in the hope that community members who had concerns would come along to discuss those concerns and take positive steps towards taking this great community forward.

I would like to take this opportunity to thanks last year's committee for their tireless work and amazing efforts in getting so much achieved. Everybody on the committee are volunteers and do so much for all of you and I am sure you would all wish them well also.

Now it is a time to welcome the new committee on board and wish them every success over the coming year. I will not name all fifteen but I am sure the community wishes them every success. There is a lot happening around town, not least of all is the ongoing transition process. On top of that we are still working closely with Council about the replacement jetty. Unfortunately, actual works cannot begin with water levels where they are currently are but everything we can do to be ready to start once the water subsides is being done.

On the topic of water levels in the Lake, a group of concerned and impacted community members met with representatives from the Management Authority, Council and Gippsland Ports to discuss the options available to us. At this point there aren't many but we are continuing to work on the issue both from a 'now' perspective and also looking at things that we can do to keep access and usability in the future.

Looking forward to some beautiful spring weather in the coming month.

Hopefully I will see you all out and about.

Bernie

President

NNCDG

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 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.

November 12

The alternate meetings are for the elected committee.