



Narrogin Narrative

March 2022



FROM DAYS GONE BY

Photos from the 1970's and 80's

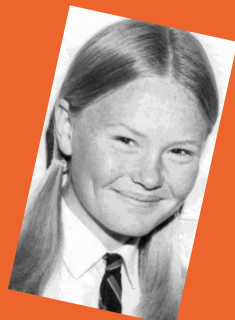


St Matthew's Soccer Team were runners up in the 1975 comp.

Rear (not complete or in order) S.Kain, K.Noonan, T.Vangoor, D.Graham. Middle and front (not in order) P.Kain, S.Spalding, J.Terranditt, A.O. Pence, J.Pearce, K.Hart, N.Dalawski.



Fortune Street Pharmacy, and Butchers. (approx. 1975.)



Sue Beacham aged 13, was a First Year at Narrogin Agricultural High School when this photo was taken in 1970



1983 Final of Gold Championships at Narrogin July 1983. Left to Right: Dave - Runner Up; D.L. Walker - Winner; Joy Broad - Runner Up; Murray Tenni - Winner.

~ PRESIDENT'S POST ~

The last few weeks has seen Narrogin at the centre of several exciting future business proposals, with the announcement from Carnarvon Energy Limited and Frontier Impact Group of a renewable diesel business and also the announcement of INPEX, ANZ & QANTAS with a feasibility study of carbon farming and renewable biofuels. It's great to see Narrogin is becoming the place of choice for new and exciting businesses.

Last month, Narrogin hosted students from Notre Dame University in their annual Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program. The Council is extremely supportive of this program and hopes the experience encourages the students to consider a rural placement in their future.

On the fire front, the Shire is pleased to announce that BlazeAid, a volunteer based organisation, have arrived in the Shire to assist affected farmers with their replacement fencing. Should you wish to assist, donations are being accepted and managed by the Highbury District Community Council BSB: 036167 Acc: 272416 Account Name: Community Emergency Relief Fund Ref: Your name - Fire Donation.

With COVID19 now present in the community of Narrogin, The Shire is advocating to Roll Up for WA COVID-19 vaccinations and is encouraging all residents to get their booster shot when eligible.

Please also be kind to each other and help, where possible, members of the community who are isolating.

Love the life.
Leigh Ballard ~ Shire President

~ COUNCIL DECISIONS ~

The Council decisions made at the meeting held on 23 March include:

Proposed Road Dedication and realignment - Portion of Granite Road, Narrogin

Council supported the applicant's proposal to amalgamate a portion of Granite Road Reserve into Lots 1 & 2 Federal Street. They further endorsed the excision of a portion of the adjoining Reserve 12610 to be dedicated to the realignment of Granite Road on its current construction.

Proposed Road Closure - Abutting Clayton Road

Council supported the closure of an unused portion of Clayton Road Reserve (the north east corner of Lot 121 Clayton Road). This closure will be advertised seeking public comments.

Malting Plant at Lot 1 (No 2257) Whinbin Rock Road, Nomans Lake

Council approved an application for a Malting Plant on Whinbin Rock Road, Nomans Lake. This application will now be advertised seeking comments from the public.

Draft Narrogin Heritage Railway Precinct Concept Plan

Council considered and adopted the Concept Plan for the Narrogin Heritage Railway Precinct. The plan reinforces the importance and interpretation of Narrogin's Railway Heritage. Copies of the plan are available to download from the Shire's website in the document centre.

Occupational Safety Health Policy

Council adopted a revised Work Health & Safety Policy in line with the recently updated legislation.

Budget review 2021/22

Council adopted the Shire's 2021/22 Budget Review, including endorsement of a number of variations to the 2021/22 Municipal Budget.

Proposed Sale of land - 1 Havelock Street Due to Unpaid Rates

Council agreed a reserve price and to proceed with auction of the above property due to unpaid rates longer than 3 years.

Narrogin Hawks Football Club Lease

Council approved the extension of the Narrogin Hawks Football Clubroom's lease for another 21 years.

Upper Great Southern Hockey Association Lease

Council approved of a new lease for the Hockey Clubroom's at the Narrogin Regional Leisure Centre to the Upper Great Southern Hockey Association for an additional 10 years with a 10 year option.

Community Chest Grant Applications

The Council approved the following club's Community Chest Applications - Narrogin Eagles Sporting Club Inc (\$2,500), Narrogin Speedway Club Inc (\$2,500), Narrogin Tennis Club (\$2,500), Narrogin Hawks Football Club (Inc) (\$2,500) and Narrogin Community Garden Inc (\$1,500). The Council did not support the Narrogin Revheads, Narrogin Repertory Club applications as they had previously received funding in the 2020/21 financial year. West Oz Geocaching Inc application was not supported as the proposed event is not being held until 2022/23 financial year and a sponsorship request is being considered in the 2022/23 budget.

Recruitment Executive Manager Corporate & Community Services

Council endorsed the appointment of Mr Mark Furr to the position of Executive Manager Corporate and Community Services. Mark will commence employment in late April 2022.

The full minutes can be found on the Shire's website with public copies available at the Library and Shire Administration. Council Meetings commence at 7pm and are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Community members are most welcome to attend.



From Days Gone By - John Barron's first shearing plant at Minigin. The Shearer on the left is McKenzie, John Barron is standing at the back in the white shirt, next to him is Vic French

~ SHIRE NOTICES ~

Roadworks & Projects

Projects are progressing well with a good completion rate expected this financial year. Some projects of note are:

- The Caravan Park Refurbishment;
- Cemetery—New general area & new lawn area;
- An additional 4km seal of Wagin-Wickepin Road;
- New seal Quigley Street
- New BBQ & concrete footpaths at Wilbur Park Highbury;
- Construction of new stormwater Dam at the rear of Clayton Oval
- Street tree plantings for Federal and Kipling Street

E-Rates—Go Paperless!

Ratepayers can opt to receive their rates invoice conveniently by email. Consider going paperless and save time, money and the environment. To receive your paperless rates notice, simply register via the online link. See [rateswa.com/narrogin](https://www.rateswa.com/narrogin).

ANZAC Day 2022

There is no official ANZAC Day Dawn Service this year, however members of the public are encouraged to attend to lay a wreath and pay their respects.

There will be a service at 10am. Please note that there will not be a march or gunfire breakfast.

~ Homecare Highlights ~

April brings Homecare some cooler weather and plenty of reasons to enjoy the turning of the seasons.

Jessie House has been fun and frivolous with plenty of themes to celebrate! From Wacky Wednesdays, to all things AFL.

Intergenerational interactions also highlight our recent events, which we were very thankful for those that allowed us to celebrate the gift of life.

Other highlights include our sewing ladies who brighten up our days with an arrangement of various fabrics and textures. It's really amazing to see all the different creations.

Our Gatabout Club have recently explored Darkan and the Classic Car Collection in Boyup Brook, before finishing up in Lake Towerrinning. Our next trip involves a good old pub lunch in Corrigin. And then, we have a big trip out to Mandurah Forum.

Lastly, we have farewelled our manager Wendy, who is on to other things in her life. And soon, we will welcome our newly appointed manager Paula Raworth, a Narrogin local, who will commence late April.

~ IMPORTANT DATES ~

~ 23 April 2022 ~

Highbury ANZAC Day Service.

~ 25 April 2022 ~

ANZAC Day.

~ 27 April 2022 ~

Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in Council Chambers on Wednesday 27 April 2022, commencing at 7pm.

~ 1 May 2022 ~

End of Restricted Burning Period.

~ LIBRARY NEWS ~

On the 19th April, Nellie the Numbat will be visiting lots of beautiful places around Narrogin and she is looking forward to meeting lots of children. She has a magic trolley full of books to give away to children and she will be at eight different locations in and around Narrogin on that day. She's a tricky Numbat and would like the children (with their parents help) to figure out puzzles so they know where she is going to be at each hour.

Nellie is going to publish a book and a You Tube video promoting Narrogin's beautiful places. As we need permission to photograph the children, please ring the library on 9881 1751 to register and organise the signing of a consent form and pick up the puzzle book.

Children can meet Nellie at any one or all of the locations that they choose.



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