

# WHAT'S NOO?

NOORAT NEWSLETTER

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## Letter from the Editor

Welcome to 2024! I hope you have enjoyed a happy time over the Christmas and New Year holidays.

I know there were some grumbles about the weather! It certainly didn't feel like Summer was here on Christmas Day. I even had two fires going! It wasn't really cold, but they helped make the day even more festive. As with almost every year, once February is here, and school is in, the heat will set in too.

There have been some tragic drownings all over the country during the past months, and I can't stress enough how important it is to teach our children to swim. Farm dams and water troughs can be every bit as dangerous as the ocean or swimming pool. The ability to swim is a skill for life, and could indeed save a life.

Art lovers may like to go to the Hamilton Gallery between now and April. There is a fabulous exhibition of Baroque Art, and it is well worth a visit.

There is also plenty to do in the district and beyond. On Boxing Day I walked along the now-completed Twelve Apostles' Trail; a very scenic walk.

We gardeners have had a fairly easy time with such benign weather, and haven't had to do much watering at all. However, I am sure this will change before long. The district gardens still have a distinctly springtime look about them. And the weeds have hardly stopped growing! I often say that we are lucky to have weeds to pull out!

Until next month,

*Eve Black*

## Spot the Santa

And the winners were.....Trevor and Maria Starkey!

Congratulations on a very festive display! When I gave Trevor the small cash prize, I told him that I hoped he was not going to spend it on yet more lights or decorations. He just grinned!

## Where was Santa?

Christmas Eve, and Santa had sent a message that he was ready to visit our Village, when the rain tumbled down, and made his appearance impossible. We would have had Santa with a soggy beard, and a Christmas Tree with dripping branches!

Our apologies to children, and the young at heart.

We will put in a request for better weather this year!

## Noorat Community Garage Sales

A reminder that **24th February** is Garage Sales date.

I am sure that many of you have spent some time over the past few weeks preparing for what we all hope will be another splendid day.

You will find a registration form within these pages. Forms and \$10 entry fee can be left at the Post Office.

## Corangamite Australia Day Volunteer Awards

This year the Awards will be presented at a ceremony in Skipton, and I am delighted to tell you that our own Lynn Patzel has been nominated for an Award.

Well done, Lynn.

Ed

**2023 Giraffe Awards**

Once again it was not hard to find some worthy awardees. This Award/s is given annually to people willing to stick their neck out for Noorat.

The 2023 Awards went to:

*Kim Rankine*, Mount Noorat Project Officer

In the short time that Kim has held this job, she has made a tremendous difference to the Mount and Walking Track, attended to weed-control, and fencing.

The Mount Noorat Committee of Management members are indebted to her for the work she has done, and continues to do on the Mount.

*Ken Newson*

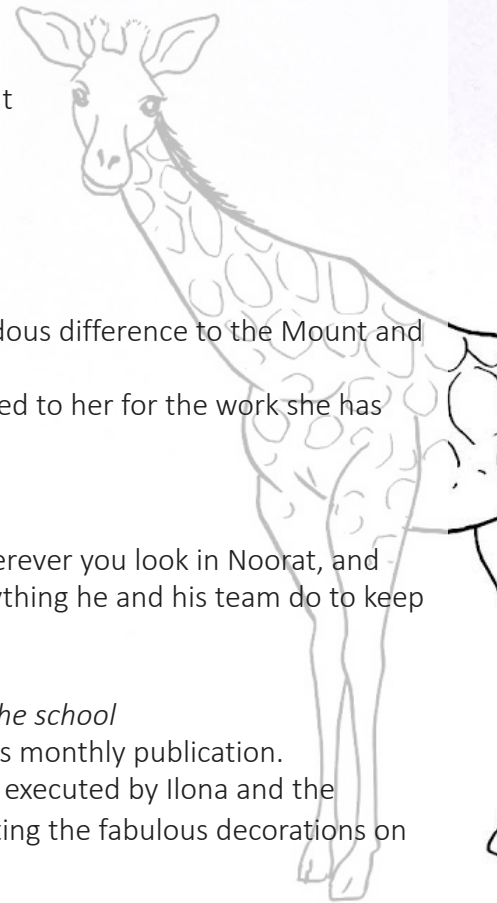
Ken's dedication to our Village, and attention to detail is evident wherever you look in Noorat, and although he is not a resident, his love for our Village is there in everything he and his team do to keep the avenues, toilet block and BBQ in good condition.

*Ilona Watkins*, Principal Noorat Primary School and the students of the school

With very little notice Ilona took on the preparing and printing of this monthly publication.

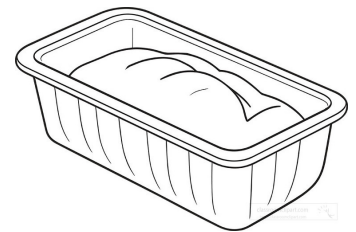
The beautiful Christmas window at the old hall was thought out and executed by Ilona and the students. And the school children all had a hand in making and painting the fabulous decorations on our Village Christmas Tree.

Congratulations to all of you!

**Recipe of the Month****MADEIRA CAKE**

170g softened butter  
3/4 cup caster sugar  
1 tsp vanilla extract  
3 eggs

1 cup plain flour  
3/4 tsp baking powder  
2/3 cup almond meal



1. Preheat oven to 170 degrees (150 FF).
2. Place butter, sugar and vanilla in the bowl of an electric mixer; beat until light and creamy.
3. Gradually, add the eggs, beating well after each addition. Sift flour and baking powder over the butter mixture, and gently fold through with the almond meal.
4. Spoon the mixture into a lightly greased 22cm x 8cm loaf tin, lined with non-stick baking paper, and bake for 50 minutes, or until cooked when tested with a skewer.
5. Cool in tin for 5 minutes before turning out onto a wire rack to cool completely.

Ed's note: Some of you may remember a very old Flanders and Swann song, "Have Some Madeira, M'dear"!

I've often wondered why this cake is called Madeira, when there is not a drop in the mixture. Perhaps it was eaten with a small glass of that fortified wine?

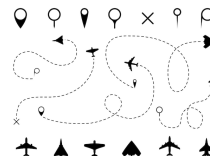
**Art on Kennas Lane**

Local artist, Jess Fowler, has opened her studio/gallery on Kennas Lane, Glenormiston South. The gallery will be open on the first Saturday of each month; **10am until 4pm**.

I encourage art lovers to go along, browse the many paintings, and perhaps even make a purchase.

**Thought for the Month**

The bad news is time flies.  
The good news is you're the pilot.



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The newsletter welcomes contributions from readers: articles will be included at the editor's discretion.


Please send us your articles, news items, pictures by 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Photos / advertisements / posters must be JPEG or PDF format.

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# HAPPY New Year

We hope everyone had a fabulous festive season and were able to enjoy time with those they love most!

## **A new year**

*brings new opportunities and connection*

We have so many things happening in 2024!

- School Camps
- Excursions & Incursions
- Cows Create Careers
- Hands on Learning
- AUSLAN
- Social & Emotional Learning
- FREE swimming for all
- Kitchen Garden program
- Sport & health experts
- Art, MARC Van, PE & Science
- Individualised teaching & learning
- Meaningful relationships

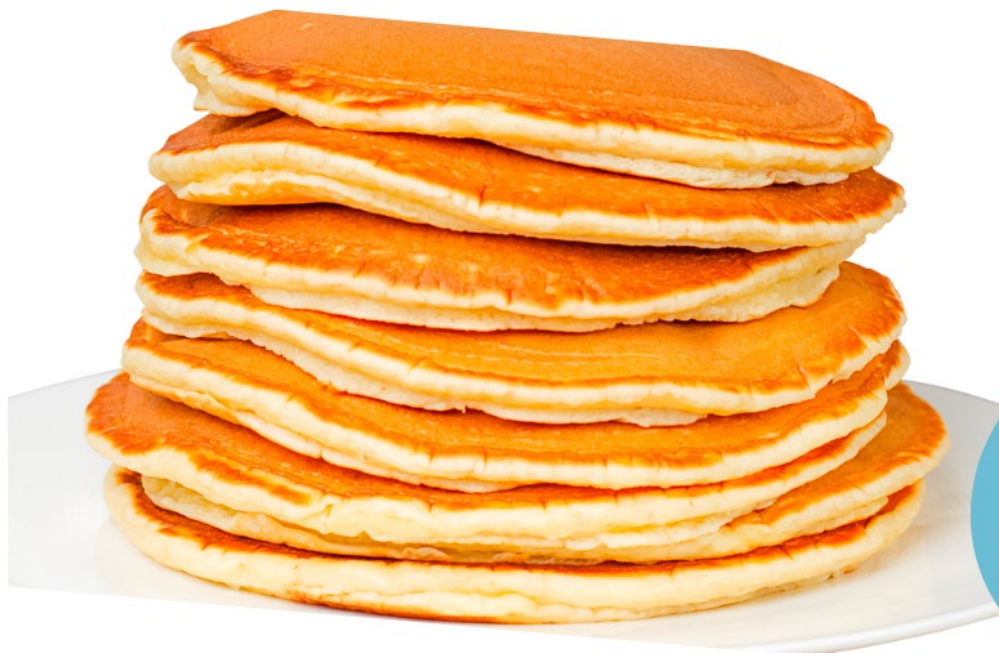
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the **whole** child so they can flourish.



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*Excellence, Care, Respect and Responsibility*

# ST. THOMAS' BIG BREAKFAST



## Join Us For Our 2024 Community Big Breakfast

6.30am to 9am on Shrove Tuesday, 13 February

St. Thomas' Primary School, 1 Lyons Street, Terang

### Menu

- Pancakes
- Egg & Bacon Rolls
- Toast
- Fresh Fruit
- Coffee, Tea & Fruit Juices
- Piccolo Coffee - \$5 extra
- Gluten Free Options Available

### Cost - Cash or EFTPOS

- Adults - \$12
- Secondary Students - \$10
- Primary & Pre-School Children - \$5
- Family - \$30



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Noorat & District Residents Association

## Community Garage Sale

Saturday 24th Feb 2024

8am til sold!

Garage stalls held at numerous homes throughout the district.

Registration forms for a stall will be available in the December Noorat Noo's Newsletter

'Sale' Trail Maps will be available @ The Shed, Noorat Post Office, The Noorat Hotel & Stall holders on the day.

Enquiries: Anna Conheady 0428 504 078  
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- Hover over 'Our School'

- Click 'Newsletters'

**NOORAT & DISTRICT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 24<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

**TIME: 8AM – 4PM – ALL DAY SALE.**

All households and Clubs, groups etc invited to participate in the  
**Community Garage Sale on Saturday February**

At your address or combined households.

- Garage sales and stalls will be held at schools and homes throughout the district.
- Sale Trail Maps of all garage sale locations will be available.
- Please fill in Participation Form below if you wish to participate so your address can be included in map. Return to Noorat Post Office ASAP.
- Help make this a great day for Noorat & District. BE IN IT !
- Assistance available if needed. Call number below.

Further enquiries or to express interest to: 55925333, 0428504078

Please fill out Participation Form and return to the Noorat Post Office.

All participants will be included in Sale Trail Garage Sale Map.

Refreshments will be available on the day.

**Yes we will participate in the Garage Sale Day February 24<sup>th</sup>**

(Orange flags will be supplied)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*\$10 fee to be paid with this form & returned by 12<sup>th</sup> February. 2024*

**Please return this form to Noorat Post Office.**

**NO CAR BOOT PARTICIPATION OR MARKET STALLS, HOUSEHOLDS ONLY**



CORANGAMITE SHIRE

# Noticeboard



## Rates and charges due 15 February

Corangamite Shire ratepayers are reminded that the 2023-2024 Rates and Charges are due for full payment by Thursday 15 February. If paying by instalments, the third payment is due by Wednesday 28 February.

Payments can be made at [corangamite.vic.gov.au/payments](http://corangamite.vic.gov.au/payments), by BPAY (phone or Internet), by POSTbillpay (phone or Internet), in person at any Australia Post agency or at Council's Civic Centre, 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown or by post to Corangamite Shire, PO Box 84, Camperdown 3260.

Any ratepayer unable to pay by the due date should contact the Rates office. You can also apply for a Payment Arrangement at [corangamite-pay.enotices.com.au](http://corangamite-pay.enotices.com.au)

## Pensioner rates rebate

If you have a current Centrelink or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) Pensioner Concession Card, or a DVA Repatriation Health Card specifying 'War Widow' or 'TPI', you may be eligible for a concession.

The rate rebate available is 50% of rates and charges capped at a maximum of \$253.20 for 2023-2024. A maximum \$50 rebate also applies to the Fire Services Property Levy.

Rebates are funded by the State Government and you can find out more at [services.dffh.vic.gov.au/municipal-rates-concession](http://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/municipal-rates-concession)

You can download an application form there or collect one from the Civic Centre in Camperdown.

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Wednesday 21 February, 10 am – 12 pm  
The Rose Room, Terang Civic Hall

We have partnered with Tara and Nat from The Social Connection. They are going to lead us through 'Understanding the Basics of AI'.



Learn how to tap into this new age and use AI in small business, we will also dive into the platforms such as ChatGPT and how they can work for you, along with what to watch out for.

We will also look at what's on trend right now and in true Tara and Nat style, cut through the jargon so we can all understand.

BYO your device, android or Apple.

Register at [bit.ly/3vCjza7](http://bit.ly/3vCjza7) or scan via the QR code.

## Play at TRACKS

Are you a young musician aged 12 to 25 years? Apply now at [bit.ly/3RZVR0t](http://bit.ly/3RZVR0t) to play at the TRACKS Timboon festival on Saturday 16 March 2024. Successful applicants will be paid for a 15 minute set, funded by FReeZA.

Expressions of Interest close on Friday 1 March 2024.



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- Nine day fortnight
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Position descriptions and applications at [corangamite.vic.gov.au/employment](http://corangamite.vic.gov.au/employment)

# upcoming events *youth*



**YOUTH ART CLUB  
FREE WORKSHOP  
NATURE ART**

Alderwood Manor  
56 Curdie Street, Cobden

Thursday 25 January  
4pm to 6pm

**ACRYLIC PAINTING  
WORKSHOP**

Thursday 8 February, 4 - 6 pm  
Alderwood Manor, 56 Curdie Street, Cobden  
Free event for youth aged 12 - 25  
**Registrations essential**



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**TEXTURED ART  
WORKSHOP**

PALLET KNIFE ART

Thursday 22 February, 4 - 6 pm  
Alderwood Manor, 56 Curdie Street, Cobden  
Free event for youth aged 12 - 25  
**Registrations essential**



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for youth aged 12 - 25

 **ACRYLIC PAINTING**  
Thursday 8 February, 4 - 6 pm

 **TEXTURED ART - PALLET KNIFE ART**  
Thursday 22 February, 4 - 6 pm

Facilitated by Stacey Williams  
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