WHAT'S NOO? NOORAT NEW SLETTER

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Letter from the Editor

There's an old Australian folksong that talks (sings) about Springtime; it brings on the shearing......I think that at the moment all the garden lovers might be singing Springtime, it brings on the weeding! Blossom trees and flowers are contributing to a very lovely picture in gardens great and small.

The springtime also gave us some rather unexpected and fairly severe equinoxial gales. Plenty of trees down all around the district, and the day after our very windy weather, the sound of chainsaws could be heard everywhere as the "clean up" went on.

Sunday, 3rd September was Fathers' Day; it was also a Community Tree Planting Day on the Mount. What a wonderful turn out; tree planters of all ages and experience certainly contributed to a very successful morning's work, followed by a BBQ, compliments of the Mount Noorat Committee of Management. Thank you to all who took part.

The agricultural show season is about to get underway. I hope you have circled Saturday, 18th November on your calendars. A very hardworking Noorat Show Committee will once again bring you the biggest little show in the country!

Another date to remember is the weekend of 28th and 29th October; 150 years of the Presbyterian Church ministering in Noorat and District will be celebrated. For further details contact joanne.kenna@hotmail.com

The recent burst of very warm weather has encouraged lots of lizards to appear, and if they're about, there's sure to be the odd snake waking from Winter sleep too. Keep your eyes open and look out for children and pets. Enjoy Spring and the weeding!

Until next month, Eve Black

Life's a Picnic

Ed

At the September meeting of our Noorat Residents' Association, it was decided that we will hold our annual **Christmas Picnic/BBQ** on **Tuesday, 12th** December in the avenue opposite the Post Office.

Please come along from **6pm**; BYO everything.





Recipe of the Month

LEMON YOGHURT CAKE

185g unsalted butter, softened200g caster sugar7 tablespoons honeyJuice and grated rind of 1 lemon5 eggs, separated280g plain flour

1 teaspoon baking powder 1/2 teaspoon bicarb soda 410ml Greek style yoghurt 75g sultanas 1 cinnamon stick 1/4 cup chopped, unsalted pistachios



- 1. Preheat oven to 160°C. Grease 23cm springform pan and line with baking paper.
- 2. Beat butter, sugar and 2 tablespoons honey until light. Add rind and yolks, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Fold in sifted dry ingredients. Stir in 110ml yoghurt.
- 3. In a separate bowl beat egg whites until soft peaks form, then gently fold into cake mixture with sultanas.
- 4. Pour into cake pan, and bake for 1 hour, or until a skewer inserted into centre comes out clean.
- Meanwhile, combine lemon juice, 3 tablespoons honey and cinnamon stick in a small saucepan. Boil for 1 minute, remove from heat to cool slightly.
- 6. Remove cake from oven, prick top with a skewer and drizzle with syrup. Allow to cool completely before removing from tin.
- 7. To serve, spread with remaining yoghurt, drizzle with remaining honey and garnish with pistachios.



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

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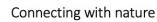






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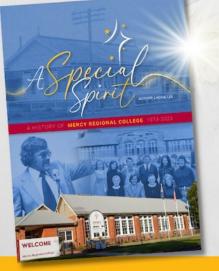
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PRESS RELEASE

For immediate release

'A Special Spirit Book Launch as part of 50th Celebrations'

The history of Mercy Regional College (formerly Catholic Regional College) has been brought to life in a new history book titled 'A Special Spirit'.

Written by long serving staff member Lachie Lee, the book covers the very engaging story of the College from its inception to the present day as the College celebrates 50 years.

The book will be launched at a special event on Friday, 13 October at the O'Keeffe Campus in Noorat, and members of the community are invited to attend the launch, with drinks and supper provided.

Principal Sharon Gillett is looking forward to celebrating the rich history of the College:

"Lachie has done a brilliant job compiling a wonderful record of the history of our school.

"So much work has gone into finding details and anecdotes and we hope to celebrate this fantastic new historical asset with our community at the launch."

Author Lachie Lee has enjoyed compiling the book:

"The book has been written as a part of Mercy Regional College's celebrations for its fiftieth anniversary this year.

"It seeks to record the great efforts and sacrifices made by those wanting to establish a Catholic secondary school for the district's young people.

"In the early years the College faced great challenges in merely surviving and did so through the perseverance and hard work of many people. It is now is a long established institution with a fine reputation and which has educated generations of young people who have spread far and wide and achieved much.

"It has been a joy and a revelation to have been able to write this book and share what is a wonderful story."

Entry to the launch is free, with guests asked to RSVP at <u>https://www.trybooking.com/CLGKL</u> for catering purposes.

The 50th Jubilee celebrations will continue on November 25, with a day filled with activities at the McAuley Campus in Camperdown and a Jubilee Dinner in the evening at the Leura Oval.

Entry to the day activities is free, with dinner tickets \$65 per person, or \$520 for a table of 8. The dinner will feature the winners of the inaugural 'Spirit of Mercy Awards' nominations for which close on 8 October, as well as the annual Car Raffle Draw and music from 'The People's Poets'.

Tickets are available from <u>www.trybooking.com/CHKBB</u>. RSVP for the free day activities is encouraged at the same link for catering purposes.

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MEDIA RELEASE

Monday, 11 September, 2023

SPRING AND SPICE AND ALL THINGS NICE FOR POPULAR SHOW

On South West Victoria's volcanic plain lies a small village at the foot of Mount Noorat and with spring in the air there is a noticeable buzz about the place as locals pull up their sleeves in readiness for their agricultural show on 18 November.

While Noorat is a small dot on the map, the show has been a popular day out in the district since 1932, continuing to attract thousands of people through the gate and bucking the trend of declining attendance numbers at country shows around the nation.

Noorat Show President Monica Heffernan said the huge turnout in 2022 despite the wet and windy weather forecast was testament to this and the hard work of volunteers who year-on-year worked behind the scenes to offer a lively traditional show.

"It's only one day of the year, but it's a day we all look forward to and more importantly it's an event that brings people together, with some travelling from interstate just to be in Noorat on show day," Mrs Heffernan said.

"While the committee adds something new to the program every year, at the end of the day our show has a great reputation for being a good old-fashioned day out for families made possible by a great group of local people and sponsors."

Mrs Heffernan said the committee was this year really excited to welcome home cook Dezi Madafferi whose team won Channel 7's Plate of Origin competition and co-hosts the 10 Minute Kitchen.

"With interest in local produce and artisan products gaining popularity, we're really excited to welcome Dezi to Noorat on show day to not only taste what she does with our fabulous local produce, but also take home some tips and ideas on how to add a touch of the Mediterranean to our family meals," she said.

"We're also looking forward to sharing more of this year's program including the woodchop, band Good Faces 4 Radio, crowd favourites the dog high-jump and working dog trials, and children's band The Mik Maks."

Mrs Heffernan said expressions of interest for trade sites and competitions had opened and there had already been strong interest from long-time supporters and new businesses that were yet to find out what the show was all about.

To find out more about exhibiting or competing at the Noorat Show, go to nooratshow.org.au or visit the show's social media pages.

Media contact: Monica Heffernan, Noorat Show President, 0427 922 662

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