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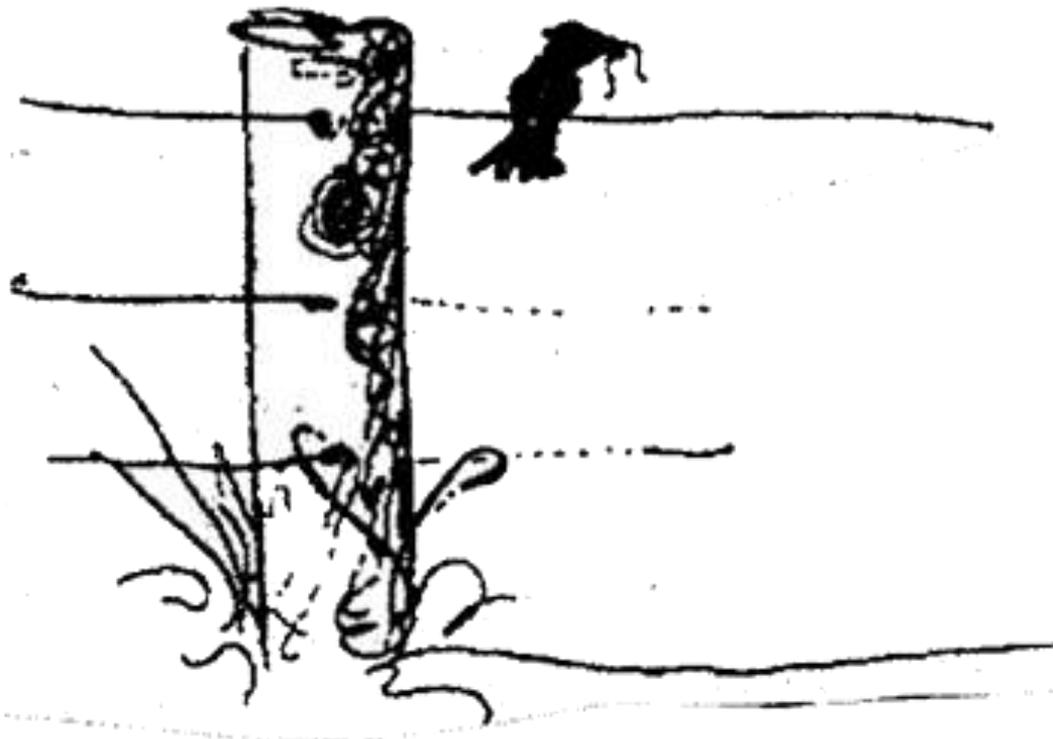
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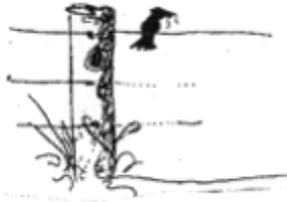
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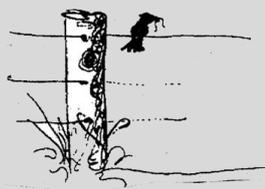
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Over the Fence....

I guess we sometimes say no news is good news but in the case of the Fencepost no news is hard work for the Editor...

With little or no sport and other groups re-commencing with conditions due to COVID-19 our paper has become quite depleted.

This week I have looked back over some old Fence Posts and taken excerpts from them. I've also used the Introduction to the 'Narembeen The First 100 years a Century to Celebrate to give us a little information about our history. If you have anything news worthy you think people would love to read please send it to us.

NAREMBEEN HOSPITAL LADIES AUXILIARY

General Meeting

To be held at 2pm on Thursday 11th June.

Due to Hospital COVID-19 policies, the meeting will now be held at Kerry Fricker's home.

New members are welcome to attend.

RSVP's and any apologies to Di Pollard 0488647222 please.



NAREMBEEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY (INC)

Meeting

Monday, June 15, 2020

2.00pm

At the Shire Office

All interested people and members welcome.

Coffee STOP

Stop - have a break

Swap - change drivers

Sleep - take a nap

Coffee



Buy a Coffee from the Narembeen Co-Op or the Narembeen Roadhouse during SOCK Week, 22 - 28 June 2020, and receive a free reuseable travel mug.

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Local

- Most Farmers will finish seeding this week if they haven't already.
- Looks like rain albeit not much on the horizon at the end of the week.

Regional

- Sam Barnett, son of former WA premier, proposes big-cat zoo in Kimberley for tiger conservation.
- Woman attacked by shark at Tantabiddi Beach in Ningaloo Marine Park.
- Goldfields school principal and former Paralympian, Dennis Bernard Kennedy, 69, loses job for cannabis cultivation.

State

- Customers flock to pubs, playgrounds as WA enters phase three of coronavirus restrictions.
- Coronavirus rules mean protesters should not attend Black Lives Matter rallies, WA Premier says.

National

- Scott Morrison urges Queensland, Western Australia to reopen borders.
- AFL begins again this Thursday night.
- Australia to record its first recession in almost 30 years.

Global

- George Floyd protests continue worldwide.
- Joe Biden officially clinches Democratic presidential nomination.
- China advises citizens not to visit Australia as relations sour.
- Australia's chances of hosting 2023 Women's World Cup soar as major rival pulls out.



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Editor's Pen

I know it still hasn't rained and things are looking bleak BUT as someone very famous said "You must always look on the bright side of life" (who did say that?!) There are some positive things that are happening because of the late start to the season.

- 1 - The days are wonderful - warm and sunny, enabling people to save on their wood supplies as fires are only needed in the evening.
- 2 - With farmers having spare time, there is no excuse for those odd jobs around the house not to be done. I've heard of one lady having some pictures hung that have been waiting two years.
- 3 - The alarm clock can be turned back to a later time. What's the point of getting up so early ?
- 4 - With no mud getting on the cars, there is no need to wash them so often!
- 5 - It's very easy to get your washing dry.

I'm sure there are many more positive things, but let's hope that we are soon wishing for the rain to stop and more fine weather to begin.

What a disastrous weekend for Western Australia in all codes of football this weekend. I sat at Subiaco Oval Saturday night getting thoroughly soaked, not minding however, because my reckoning was - the longer it rained in Perth, the better chance it had to get to the Wheatbelt, and better still, the Eagles winning! However by the third quarter, even though it had stopped raining, it was even more depressing!

Never mind I thought, tomorrow I'll go home and watch Perth Glory in the Grand Final. What an enthralling game it was! I was of the opinion that soccer was dull and boring but after six goals were scored in a short space of time, I changed my opinion. When they started the penalty shoot-outs, I had to revert to do what I usually do when the Eagles games are very close, that is to hide in the kitchen not watching and only listen! Don't ask me why but it sometimes helps! Not to be on Sunday though!

Oh well, I thought! Maybe the Dockers will pull though. Wishful thinking, I should have known, who would rely on Fremantle and to top the whole disastrous weekend off our poor local boys also copped a beating. Thank goodness for our Junior Boys, they were the only ones that kept the flag flying.

Never mind, next weekend will be completely different - hopefully!

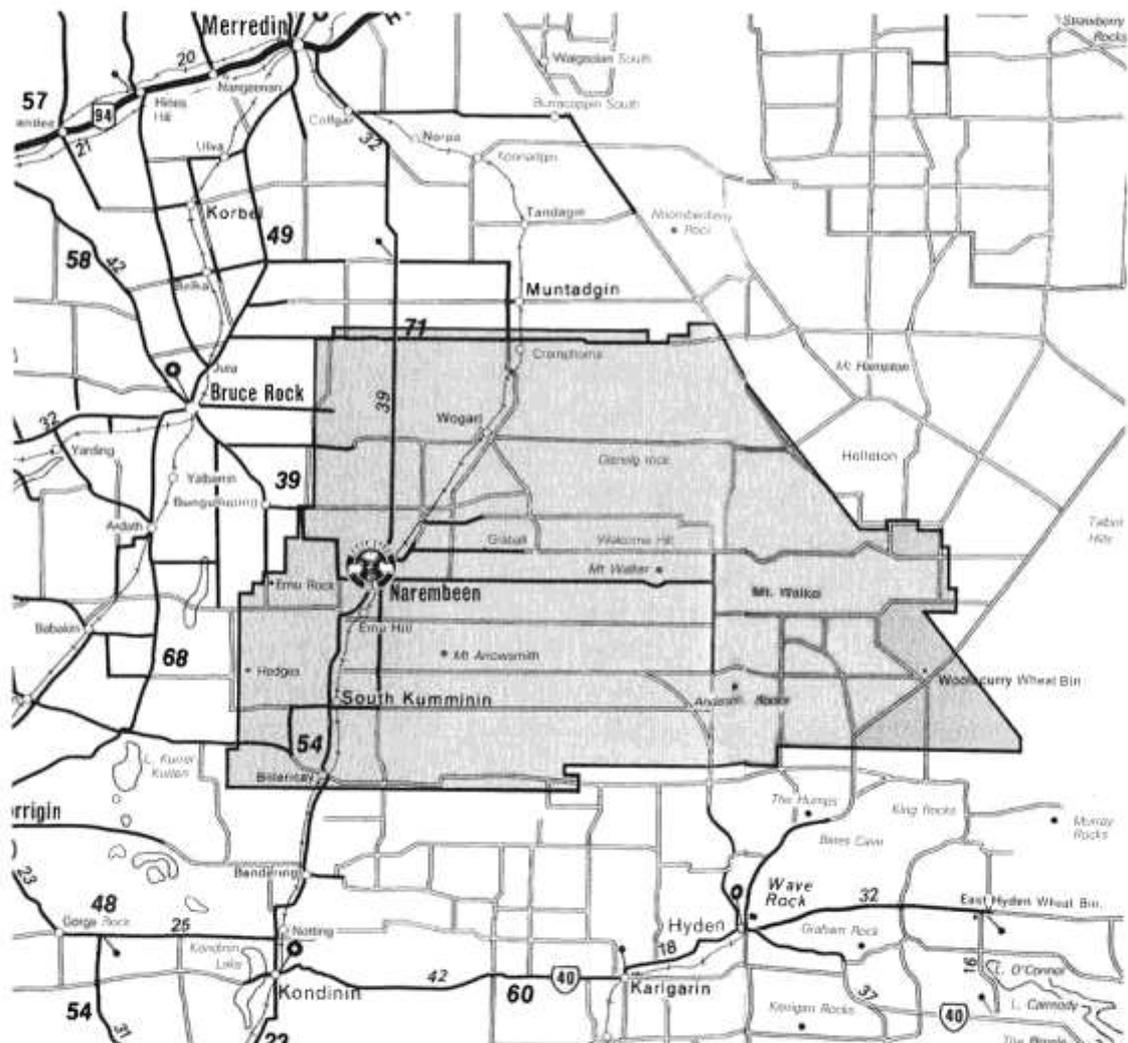
— Jane Gould —

Taken from the book

NAREMBEEN—The First 100 Years—A Century of Celebration.

In retrospect it was probably the worst possible site in the district for the establishment of a town, but Narembeen Private Township emerged [in the 1920s] as the principal town purely because opposition was expressed to building a hotel anywhere else. It's an intriguing tale of action behind the scenes and is told alongside the tales of pioneer hardship in this, one of the most easterly of Western Australian farming settlements. The depression of the 1930s affected settlers here more than in most of the earlier and more closely settled districts, but the tenacity of those who hung on to experience the good years following the Second World War meant that Narembeen emerged as a solid farming area and one with a unique bond among its proud residents, a pride reflected in its reputation for district hospitality.

Iris Bristow, *Exploration of the Narembeen District* (1970)



Narembeen Shire in 1988 — the district is 284 kilometres east of Perth at latitude 32°4' south, longitude 118°24' east and rises to 276 metres above sea level. Narembeen town, administrative centre of the Shire, is 16 kilometres from the western border and the district extends a further 80 kilometres to the east, encompassing an area of 3821 square kilometres.

Introduction

Iris Bristow O.A.M.

Narembeen, 284 kilometres east of Perth in the Western Australian wheatbelt, is the main town in the Shire of Narembeen, an established agricultural region for cereal, sheep and cattle farming. It has the distinction of being perhaps the only town in Australia whose existence is due to the building of a pub. Had the people of the thriving town of Emu Hill (5 kilometres south of Narembeen) agreed to have a hotel, there would probably have been no Narembeen.

The area around Emu Hill and Narembeen had been surveyed in 1910, and in 1918 the townsite of Emu Hill was gazetted. At that point, the township of Narembeen did not exist and even in 1920, after the arrival of the railway line, it was little more than a siding for Emu Hill. The story of their change in fortunes between 1920 and 1922 featured in a story in the *Sydney Morning Herald* in 2004.

In 1920 Emu Hill was the largest centre but the local community, when confronted with the possibility of building a hotel, opposed the plan and suggested a coffee palace or temperance hotel.

The idea of creating a town at the Narembeen siding was the brainchild of a prominent Perth lawyer, Henry Hale, and a Perth publican, Paddy Connolly. When the men realised the problems that were being created by the tectotal community at Emu Hill they purchased 30 acres (about 12 ha) of land at Narembeen, used their influence with the local politicians, got permission to build a pub and then sold off the rest of the land to prospective residents of their 'private town'.

The pub, which still stands today, was all that was needed to overwhelm the struggling nearby settlements and become the centre for the whole area.¹

A local government area administered by a Road Board at Narembeen was declared in 1924, but the local township status was not officially rescinded until 1968.

By 1925 Narembeen had a population of 2100. Of course the history of the area began well before that, and well before the first Europeans came to the area in 1836. Before European settlement, it was most likely the territory of Aboriginal people from the Njaki-Njaki or Kojar tribal groups.² They were nomadic people who moved regularly through the area, stopping near waterholes for hunting and ceremonial purposes. The area was abundant in native Merritt trees, whose strong, straight wood was historically used by Aboriginal people for making spears.³ Over the centuries well-beaten paths developed between the waterholes and other important features of the landscape.⁴

Farmers working the soil have stumbled upon Aboriginal artefacts such as grinding stones, possibly left behind by transient groups moving through the country. They also left their names for local places. Of these, Lesley Brooker's *Expedition Eastward from Northam* records Dambeen (Mt Arrowsmith), Dambin (Tampia), Woodering (Wadderin) and Bunglebine (Bungulluping)⁵. And Narembeen itself, meaning place of female emus.

The Narembeen area was first surveyed in 1836 by the Surveyor General J.S. Roe when European settlement in the west was very new. The first was in Albany, in 1826, followed by the Swan River

Colony in 1829. The new Colony was fragile; there were very few people in that first party of settlers, and for anyone to venture into the hinterland in those early days was a courageous act. In August 1830 Ensign Robert Dale (assistant to Roe) crossed the Darling Range. He came upon the Avon Valley and helped establish the towns of Northam and York, paving the way for further exploration into the mid-west.

John Septimus Roe himself conducted many expeditions. On 5 October 1836 he made his way through what is now the Shire of Narembeen. By 11 October he had reached an area west of what is now Emu Hill.⁶ After camping on a rocky outcrop where he saw a number of emus he named the area Emu Hill. He also noted that there was a stream containing 'an abundance of good running water.'⁷

During the 1850s a small number of European settlers moved into the region looking for pastoral land for wheat and sheep, but few remained. When the explorer Henry Maxwell Lefroy passed through the area in 1863 seeking new country suitable for cropping and grazing, there was only Charles Smith, who had settled near Emu Hill on a 60,000 acre property he named Narimbeen (J.S. Roe's spelling), although later it became known as Cumminin, then Kumminin. At the time this was the only holding east of the meridian of Dangin. (The pastoral lease was later held by Charles and James Heal, then A.R. Crossman and finally Frank Biddles before it was cancelled in 1909.)

Lefroy recorded in his expedition journal the difficulty in obtaining bush feed for his horses as far east as Narembeen and that 'probably the sheep had destroyed all feed near the station.'⁸ He noted the 'fine bald rock of Narimbine which I subsequently ascertained to be the Emu Hill of Roe and Moore's track of 1836.' This, he also notes, was the 'furthest point eastward of York reached by Mr Hargreaves in his late journey through the interior of the colony for the investigation for the auriferous qualities of its rocks — which I am afraid are very poor.' Edward Hammond Hargreaves (a miner who discovered gold at Bathurst, New South Wales) had, at the invitation of the government of Western Australia, examined and reported on the prospects of finding gold in this state. His report was not favourable.

The only other Europeans in the area were itinerant sandalwood cutters seeking out the valuable and fragrant wood. They made many of the early tracks through the area, branching off from key trails which followed old Aboriginal trails from soak to soak and camp to camp.⁹ There were three main tracks, later used by many to get to the goldfields. The first, Hoops Track, was made before 1890 and ran from York through the Yawerlin and Graball districts. The second was Graingers Track, cut in 1892; it started at Yarling (Wickepin) and went through Yealering, Corrigin and Cumminin to Warderin (Wadderin) where it joined with Hoops Track through Graball and Cramphorne to Mt Hampton. The third track came from Pingelly to Wogerlin then on to Cumminin where it joined the first track.

By the mid 1870s the best stands of sandalwood in the Bruce Rock Narembeen area had been cut, and only a few of the settlers who came later took up this work. Those that did often used Barlows Agency in Narembeen and Bruce Rock for consigning the freight by rail to Fremantle for shipping, mainly to China.¹⁰ One local who spent a great deal of his life on the sandalwood tracks was Wilfred Savage (see the Savage Story).

The next major farming lease in the area was granted to W. and H. Collins in 1896–1900, covering most of what is now the southern half of the Narembeen Shire. The Collins brothers grew the first wheat

in the area at Arrowsmith and Tampin (Tampia). The wheat was mostly cut for hay, then chaffed and sold to teams going through to the goldfields. Gilbert Barr took over the lease until 1904, when it was cancelled.

In an effort to halt the spread of rabbits across the country from the east, construction of the State Barrier Fence of Western Australia (known as the No. 1 Rabbit Proof Fence) was begun in 1901 and concluded in 1907. It runs 1833 kilometres from Wallal on the Eighty Mile Beach all the way south to Jerdacuttup in the Shire of Ravensthorpe,¹¹ passing through what is now the eastern part of the Narembeen Shire, where it can still be seen today.

The area remained sparsely populated until the beginning of the twentieth century, when land was opened up with the Survey before Selection Policy and the creation of smaller holdings. James Mitchell's (later Sir James Mitchell, Minister for Agriculture) new policy of land settlement was designed to open up the eastern wheatbelt more quickly than the previous policy of selection before survey.

From 1910 into the next decade the first of the smaller settlers were able to move in to graze sheep and grow wheat on thousand acre blocks. Settlers farmed their land under the Conditional Purchase Scheme, contracting with the government to repay their loans over a period of 25 years. With an advance from the Agricultural Bank, they were able to commence clearing and farming their allocated blocks straight away.

The first permanent settler in the Narembeen district was William Noah Hedges, who was Member for Fremantle 1906–13. Hedges had selected 20,000 acres — portions of the Cumminin and adjoining leaseholds — in 1909 before it was surveyed, and called his property Koolberin. In 1945 his eldest son, William Stanley Hedges, sold the property and it was subdivided for soldier settlement. In 1923 the first selections of the area east of Emu Hill at Mt Walker were made. These had been surveyed in 1918.¹²

The number of farmers in the district increased with the introduction of the Soldier Settler Scheme at the end of the First World War in 1918. Returned soldiers were allocated uncleared blocks and funds to commence clearing. Soldiers Road, which runs east from the town of Narembeen, derives its name from the large number of soldier settlers along its route. The scheme had some success, though generally it was not very well supported with infrastructure by the government. Some soldier settlers may not have been suited to the land. On the other hand others survived and did the job well.

The Depression of the 1930s saw many farmers walk off their properties, unable to meet their loan repayments. The prosperous times following the end of the Second World War in 1945, however, saw a renewed expansion of farm lands and an influx of new settlers.

During the Second World War Italian Prisoners of War had been assigned to farmers to help solve the labour shortage. Some also assisted by using their trade skills in areas such as building. After the war, following a short repatriation in their own country, a number of them returned to Australia as immigrants. They worked on farms or found employment in mining, timber cutting and various other fields. The aim of many of these new settlers was to own their own farms. In the Narembeen district many succeeded and the Mt Walker area in particular bears testimony to this — much of this part of the Shire was cleared by Italians. Today their descendants are an integral part of the community.

Following the Second World War was also another period of Soldier Settlement. This differed from the first in that the soldiers were settled on working farms, ones that were already cleared and productive. Seven such farms were allocated from what had been the original Hedges Estate. Today most of these have been absorbed into surrounding farms which have expanded considerably over the years.

The Shire today

By the year 2000 Narembeen Shire encompassed an area of 382,100 hectares of fertile farm land. Farming properties now extend to all four boundaries of the shire.

The Rabbit-proof Fence continues to be maintained by the Department of Agriculture, with a team constantly travelling its length. Today its purpose however is to keep at bay the large numbers of emus which wreak havoc on crops and pastures, and the feral dogs that are a menace to farmers and pastoralists. The fence failed in its role of keeping out the rabbits, which are now well established throughout the state, and distasteful though it may seem, culling by poisoning is the accepted method of control.

The stories in this book testify to the range of farming practices in the shire. Sharefarming features in a number of them and is an aspect of life on the land which evolved over periods of necessity. At times a farmer required extra land to make a living, while another, due to age, illness or lack of labour, could not continue alone. By mutual arrangement neighbours would therefore work together, one supplying the land, and the other the labour and input costs, with a resulting share of profits to each. In the early days these arrangements worked well. Today the trend is to lease land by the hectare, usually through an agent. In broadacre farming today there are many huge tracts of land farmed this way.

Central to most of the stories that follow is the thriving social life of the shire. From the building of the hotel which had such an impact on the very existence of the town of Narembeen, people needed social and sporting amenities to facilitate settlement. Each fledgling group of settlers soon developed a Progress Association. These small organisations were voices for the people and from their efforts facilities were gradually established. Sporting bodies were formed and eventually halls, churches and other buildings arose. Dances, race days and other gala events were held to raise funds for first class sporting facilities and other developments, at the same time providing a much needed social outlet for the residents.

The first small school in the district was at Emu Hill (1913), built by the local residents. This was followed by eleven others — Narembeen, South Kumminin, Central Kumminin, Tampia, Holleton, Gibb Rock, Mt Arrowsmith, Graball, Wadderin, Yawerlin and Mt Walker. Many of the stories in this book relate to the farming families who began these schools. Today the district is served by the Narembeen District High School with students travelling courtesy of a bus service which began in 1939. The last of the small schools to close was Mt Walker at the end of the school year 2005.

Local government for Narembeen came in 1924 when the Narembeen Road Board was established. Today the district's needs are governed by the Narembeen Shire Council. Several of the town's buildings are on the state register of heritage buildings, including the Road Board Office (1927), the hospital (1929), St Pauls Anglican Church (1929) which is now a museum, and the art deco style Town Hall (1939).

Keeping the community informed is the local paper *The Fence Post*, so named in memory of the Rabbit Proof Fence, and also of the early days when much of the news was passed on by word of mouth over the fence, or at the railway station, leaning against the fence waiting for the train. This vital organ of the community has been produced weekly by volunteers since 1978 and is read not only by current residents but is posted to many who have left Narembeen.

With the downturn in agriculture in the 1980s, Narembeen's population declined markedly. Many sold their farms and there was some despondency in the community. Then a new progress association

was formed which has been the spearhead for many community projects. Funds are raised largely from a cropping programme (land is leased from the Shire Council and volunteers sow and harvest the crop). Notable among the results of these efforts are the purchase and rebuilding of the Roadhouse, the establishment of the Wadderin Wildlife Reserve and the proposed CBH Discovery Centre.

The family histories of those past and present residents of the Narembeen District follow, set out in alphabetical order.

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League



After a very even and tight first half Narembeen controlled the second half apart from ten minutes in the last quarter when Hyden scored four goals:

Narembeen settled after this brief onslaught to register a very good win.

This was brought about by the sheer persistence of Grant Mills all over the ground. He gathered many hard possessions, used them well to bring many other players into the game.

Our defence was solid with Derek Hooper doing a grand job on the League's leading goal kicker, keeping him down to three goals. Also Craig McPharlin read the game well to continually run up the ground to create opportunities. We can't forget the magnificent effort by full forward Rohan Vaughan. His eight goals were registered from several great marks and long kicking.

SCORES:	NAREMBEEN	HYDEN
	2.2	2.0
	5.6	5.4
	10.9	7.5
	15.15	11.6

GOALS:	NAREMBEEN	HYDEN
	Rohan Vaughan 8	Chris James 4
	Hugh Copeman 2	Brian Moorby 3
	Bruce Parsons 2	Andrew Want 2
	Paul Wanless 1	Tim Smith 1
	Grant Mills 1	Darren Haslam 1
	Mike Currie 1	

BEST PLAYERS:

Grant Mills	Jeff Biglin
Rohan Vaughan	Tim Smith
Justin Fidge	Kingsley Brown
Craig McPharlin	Tom Lynch
Derek Hooper	Chris James
Nathan Fidge	



Reserves

Against a Hyden team littered with players of league experience our youthful team did a great job. They ran the game right out and managed to curb the goal scoring by Hyden in the second half.

SCORES:	HYDEN	NAREMBEEN
	5.4	3.0
	10.8	3.0
	14.5	5.1
	15.13	6.3

GOALS:	HYDEN	NAREMBEEN
	Gavin Haslam 4	Craig Wasley 2
	Craig Mayfield 3	Damon Hayter 2
	John Burns 3	Robbie Copeman 1
	Warwick Fisher 2	Dean Maringoni 1
	Andrew Want 1	
	Brad Smith 1	
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A big thank you to A and K Catering who put together a last minute menu to help us with the opening on Saturday. Plans are already in place for this duo to cook us up some more treats on a more regular basis at the Rec Centre.

The playground is now open for our younger members, but unfortunately we are not yet able to open up the kids rooms.

This Friday we have our regular menu back on, and Jackpot sits at \$150. We are open every day this week, so pop down and say hello!



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The Narembeen Netball Club wishes to advise our members, new members & supporters that we will be joining the Merredin Netball Association for the 2020 Season, this will be a 10 week competition, starting on 25th July. If you are interested in playing Seniors or Juniors please give Brit Duncan your name by this Thursday 11th June.

Net Set Go, they run this as the following age groups:

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Friday 19th : 8am – 1pm

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Narembeen Golf

We're back!

There is a tinge of green, the fire pit is cold and Joan's house is closed. The club house is open-with all the Covid regulations in place, after a very stressful busy bee and the numbers we are getting remind me of the halcyon days of golf.

Following 30 players last week the men had 24 on Sunday and it was a stroke, 2nd qualifying round and Brian Cusack trophy. Pretty impressive- as were the scores. Weeks of frustration and practise paid off in a big way for one of our many new members in Sheldon Miller, who came in with a nett 61. Not even a big reduction in handicap could wipe the smile off his face. Coming second with a great score of 69 nett was Mike Currie on a c/b from Ben Hunter. Mike also won the gross and lost a stroke to be 5. Brendon Parsons 70, Cody Duncan 71, John Currie 72 and David Campbell, Hendy Cowan, Dean Maringoni, Paul Wanless and Derek Wilson all 73. Ben, Cody and Hendy also suffered a handicap reduction! Long Dong No1 Tim Cusack, Best 2nd no 7 and N/P no 15 J Currie and Best 2nd no12 Sheldon. Dean Maringoni picked up the birdies nest. Jodie was pleased.

Not to be out done, last Wednesday the ladies had 19 players with a big welcome to Jodie Batty and Annette Main playing 9 holes. A fair bit of potential there apparently. Hockey ability always comes through. We hoped you enjoyed the hit. We played stableford for the Sherrie Heather trophy and Carol Currie had a day out with 38 on a c/b from Nola Parsons, Joan Cusack 36 and Miranda Noak, Sheila Peterkin, Gina DeLuis and Anita Cowan all 33. Best 2nd no3 Maxine Miolini, N/P no 15 Sherrie Heather and LP no 9 Noela Cole. Joan's table finished off the day.

On Sunday, 8 women teed off on a par!!!! day and we welcomed Brit Duncan for a hit and a pretty impressive one at that. She played stableford and had 31pts. A lot of us wished we could have done that first up. Winner of the day was Joan Cusack +4 from Julie Hayter and Anita Cowan all square. Apparently Joan, Julie and Carol Currie were rewarded with a handicap reduction. Very well done Julie, who also won LP on no 18 with Maxine Miolini N/P no2.

Afterwards it was soooooo nice to be able to sit in the clubhouse with nibbles and party pies to finish off the day.

The men are having a busy bee at 8am on Thurs so if you can attend please do.

We thank all those volunteers who have worked hard to keep things running over this uncertain time and around the renovations to the clubhouse. It is all worth it to see the numbers we are getting and know so many people who can't play their nominated sport come and have a hit for the sake of it. On Saturdays we have had netballers, mechanics, footballers all out enjoying???? the game or at least the exercise and fresh air. In a couple of weeks we have a Pro coming up to give lessons and apparently there are around 20 people booked in.

Please remember we have to obey the Covid restrictions pertaining to our clubhouse with registration, hand washing and 1.5 m social distancing.

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Mt Walker Golf News

Sunday 7th June 2020

Sunday it was a beautiful day out in nature, the midgies weren't so prolific this week which made playing very pleasant.

It was great to see Gaynor back out for a hit as well as our usual members.

The winner of the day was Darren Phillips with a Net 69, Runner up Colin Ashmore with a Net 71, 3rd Phil Treloar with Net 80

Novelty winners were – LHO #1 Halley

NP # 7 Darren

LHO #12 Col

NP #16 Col

Last week (31st May) we played the Colin Ashmore Trophy.

Was great to see Craig Ashmore back to play.

Winner was Darren Phillips

Runner up was Col Ashmore

3rd was Merlene Phillips on a countback



Next week will be a Stableford round.

Please also note that our Cup/Peter Molini Trophy day has been cancelled this year, due to Covid 19 restrictions.

We thank all our sponsors throughout the year.



from the CHIEF



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NAREMBEEN COMMUNITY GYM UPDATE

The Narembeen Community Gym is still unable to re-open. Although COVID-19 restrictions are starting to ease, restrictions are still in place for the use of Gyms. Specifically, the state government regulations for Phase 3 commencing June 6 state that for Gyms to be able to recommence normal activities they must be staffed at all times and undertake regular cleaning.

Due to the Narembeen Community Gym being unstaffed, we are unable open to the public at this time. Fingers crossed this restriction is lifted shortly.

If you're interested in getting fit or having a work out prior to the gym re-opening, we suggest you get in touch with Move & Nourish with Kasse on 0427 618 031 regarding personal training or fitness classes.

You can visit the State Governments website for the roadmap for COVID-19 recovery for more information regarding the easing of restrictions <https://www.wa.gov.au/.../de.../covid-19-coronavirus-wa-roadmap...> We thank you for your patience. Please do not hesitate to call the CRC on 9064 7055 if you have any further questions or concerns.



from the CHIEF

ALCOHOL AND DRUG FOUNDATION - COVID-19

As we continue to live in isolation, we need to be more mindful than ever of how much alcohol we are drinking and its impact on us and our loved ones.

The Alcohol and Drug Foundation have released a simple test to find out if your drinking falls under the category of 'risky drinking'.

Find out more: <https://adf.org.au/covid-19/changing-drinking/>

Find out if your drinking falls under the category of 'risky drinking'.

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From the Managers Desk

Happy Wednesday everyone — halfway to the weekend!! Hope you have a good start into the week and an even better rest of the week!

SOCK (SaveOurCountryKids) Week is coming up in a couple of weeks and we have been busy organising a week full of events/activities around road safety. Please keep an eye out on social media or the Shire of Narembeen Website on how to participate and don't forget to help us spread the important messages SOCK is trying to convey.

SOCK Week is in its 4th year this year and once again we are trying to educate the Narembeen and surrounding communities and raise awareness about road safety and the impact poor decision making can have on not only you as the driver of a vehicle but also your passengers, emergency services like the ST John Ambulance and Fire Brigade volunteers, your community and of course your family and friends that you leave

behind. Poor decision making doesn't only affect your life, it can affect everyone's life.

This is why SOCK Week is important to us, we promote safe, legal and responsible road use to try and ensure as much as humanly possible that no one in the Narembeen community would have to go through losing another of his/her loved ones.

We hope our campaign will influence many minds, both old and young, however we strongly believe that if we have influence just one it will have be a success. So now its up to you!! Get ready for SOCK week 22 - 28 June 2020.

*Vanessa Wittstock
CRC Coordinator*



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S O C K

Save Our Country Kids

22 - 28 June 2020

- 22 - Monday Bike & Helmet Safety Day
Keys for Life Presentation
- 23 - Tuesday Gopher Safety Talk
- 24 - Wednesday Wear a Road Safety Ribbon
- 25 - Thursday Turn your Headlights on
- 26 - Friday Fluro Friday
Light a Candle

Coffee Stop
Buy a Coffee from the Narembeen Co-Op or the Narembeen Roadhouse and receive a free reuseable travel mug.

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#SaveOurCountryKids



S O C K

Save Our Country Kids

Friday, 26 June 2020

Light a Candle in Memory of a Loved One



Where: Narembeen Recreation Centre

When: 6:00pm onwards

#SaveOurCountryKids



Interesting Read for those who have listened to Dennis over the years.

Celebrate Dennis Cometti's AFL Hall of Fame induction with his 10 best one-liners

Dennis Cometti became the voice of the AFL thanks to his quick-wit and brilliant one-liners. Here are the best he ever produced.

Each and every week footy fans tune in to watch the players battle it out over the span of four sometimes gruelling quarters.

But as good as the action on the field might be, it's the men behind the microphone who can elevate the play to a whole new level and that's what Dennis Cometti brought to the game.

He began commentating all the way back in 1971 before becoming the voice of the AFL throughout an illustrious career which saw him on Thursday night inducted into the Australian Football Hall of Fame.

Cometti, 71, was inducted along with former champion Port Adelaide defender John Abley to conclude a four-night schedule of inductions announced on Fox Footy.

Although he may have hung up the microphone at the end of the 2016 season, Cometti lives on in AFL folklore thanks to his unbelievable wit that produced commentary gold over and over again.

"The legacy that he'll leave above all the other things is that one-liner that summed everything up so brilliantly and made us all smile," long-time calling partner Bruce McAvaney said.

"There are a lot of very good commentators, many that have come before Dennis and there'll be a lot that come after him, but I really believe he's the benchmark.

"Of all the people that have called the game, Dennis has created an aura about himself and an excellence that does stand alone, and for that he should be very proud."

Throughout his career Cometti reeled off some of the greatest one-liners the game will ever hear, here are a few of the standouts.

2010 GRAND FINAL REPLAY

The biggest game went around for a second time after St Kilda and Collingwood played out a remarkable draw.

In the first quarter of the replay, St Kilda champion Nick Riewoldt had an open goal but a diving effort from Heath Shaw saw him smother the ball in one of the plays of the century.

Of course as good as the play was from Shaw, the call from Cometti was just as legendary.

“Came up behind him like a librarian, he never heard him,” Cometti proclaimed.

“LIKE A CORK IN THE OCEAN”

The first appearance of this call came during the 1992 AFL Grand Final when West Coast Eagles player Peter Wilson bobbed up and slotted a miraculous goal.

“CENTIMETRE PERFECT”

The line Cometti had to change with the times. Initially the famous line started as “inch perfect” but after the metric system was introduced the line was altered to suit the times and remains in the commentary vocabulary to this day.

“WHITE AND BLACK, BLACK AND WHITE”

As North Melbourne streamed toward goal, a kick to the square saw Carlton defender Simon White and North forward Aaron Black battling it out.

“Going back is Black. White and Black, Black and White. Docherty comes away, needed another colour.”

“ROCK AND A HARD PLACE”

North Melbourne hard nut Anthony Rock smashed into an opponent and pinned him to the boundary fence and Cometti jumped at the opportunity with a classic zinger.

“Nasty situation. He’s caught between a Rock and a hard place.”

“GASPAR THE UNFRIENDLY POST”

Richmond’s stalwart defender Darren Gaspar helped Cometti produce arguably one of his most famous lines following an errant shot at goal.

“Gaspar from 40m out, hits the post! Gaspar the unfriendly post.”

GUERRA’S HAIRLOSS POT-SHOT

Hawthorn’s Brent Guerra followed in the footsteps of Shane Warne as he aligned with a haircare company to grow back his fading locks.

Cometti wasn’t going to miss out on the opportunity.

“Brent (Guerra) hates losing and that extends to his hair.”

PLAYER NAMES GETTING CLIPPED

Melbourne’s Adam Yze and Carlton’s Anthony Koutoufides weren’t immune from Cometti’s wit with the West Australian icon getting them multiple times through their careers.

“Remember the name: Y-Z-E — terrific young player, bad Scrabble hand.”

“There’s Koutoufides — more vowels than possessions today.”

CARR COMES UP AGAIN & AGAIN

Port Adelaide midfielder Josh Carr never shied away from a contest and it led to some brilliant calls from Cometti.

As he attempted to break free from an opponent: “Carr – covered by a third party”

After smashing into his brother Matthew, both Carr’s wore the number nine jumper:

“How’s that, a two Carr collision, both with the same rego!”

“THE CAT IS STILL ON THE BACK”

Hawthorn and Geelong have one of the best rivalries the game has seen and in round 19, 2012 they produced arguably their biggest contest.

A goal after the siren from star forward Tom Hawkins handed the Cats a colossal two point victory and Cometti leapt at the opportunity to reiterate the Cats’ dominant streak over their opponents.

“They’ve done it again the Cats. How about that. The Cat is still on the back”

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Tips



As the weather cools, Millie gets stuck into some gardening jobs

There's no better time than the cooler months to get some serious work done.

Preparing a citrus bed - Millie's "lazy-soil" Technique

Winter is not the time for planting citrus as the ground is too cold but it's the perfect time to lay the groundwork for spring.

- Loosen the top of the soil with a light forking over.
- Layer 1- Horse Manure: Apply around 6cm deep. Packed full of nutrients and organic matter. Watch for seeds germinating in the first 6 - 8 weeks - simply chip them back into the soil. With fresh horse manure, keep it on the bare soil, away from any plants in the bed.
- Layer 2 - Green waste: Add plant prunings, leaves lawn clippings or kitchen scraps.
- Layer 3 - Mulch: Millie is using straw which will help prevent any weed seeds from germinating.

Leave the bed over winter to allow the materials to break down.

Preparing to plant asparagus - The 'Octopus' Planting Method

Now is the perfect time to plant dormant winter perennials like asparagus.

Pick large asparagus crowns as these tend to be the stronger plants. Due to the long root 'tentacles', the 'octopus' planting method makes things a bit easier!

- Mound up an area in the soil by making two parallel trenches in the soil to a depth about the same as the length of the roots.
- Drape the plant over the ridge, with the roots hanging down on either side with the crown at the top. Exceptionally large crowns can be cut in half to make two crowns.
- Cover roots with soil.
- Millie is also adding some seed-grown asparagus plants. These will take longer to establish.
- Mulch. As asparagus is a coastal plant, Millie is mulching with seaweed. It's a great source of minerals and organic matter.

Resist harvesting asparagus for the first couple of years to let the plants build their strength.

While plant growth slows in winter, it doesn't mean you have to. There's plenty of great jobs you can get done. A little bit of work now will pay dividends in the spring. Welcome to winter!



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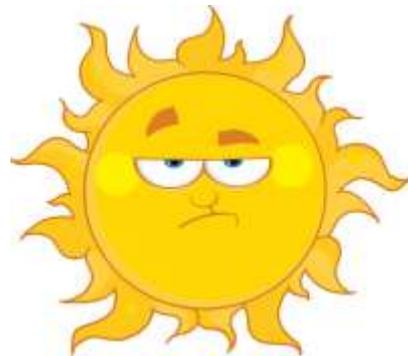
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Tuesday	2 June	20.6		
Wednesday	3 June	21.4	10	
Thursday	4 June	24.5	8.8	
Friday	5 June	23.8	10.9	
Saturday	6 June	24.0	11.1	
Sunday	7 June	23.5	11.4	
Monday	8 June	22.5	7.5	
Tuesday	9 June		5.2	

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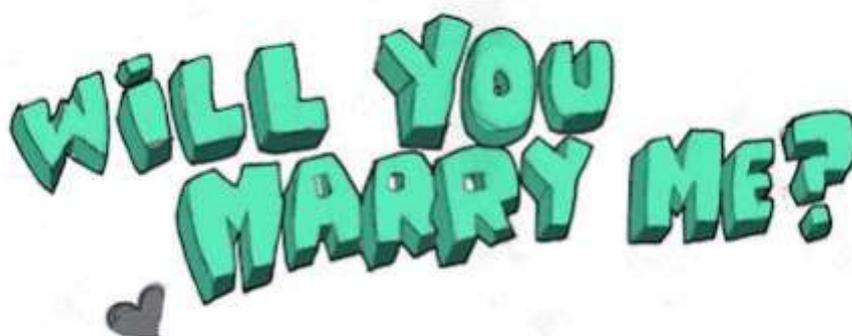
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10th	Joanne Woodfield Rikki Bailey	Stewart Shattock Michelle Fry	Keira Wardley
11th	Hillary Sedgwick Scott Stirrat	Paul Jones	Lisa Aylemore
12th	Mitchell Slade		
13th	Mary Smith (Stacey)	Quinn Welsh	Jayde Creedon
14th	Karl Watson		
15th	Alan Yandle	Dorothy Metcalf	Deanne Pitts (Price)
16th	Jason Addicoat	Sophia Lopez	
17th	Robyn Jackson	Lucy Lines	

Anniversaries

June



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Catholic Church	N Sharp
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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

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Please be advised due to the COVID 19 Virus and for the health and well being of our community and its members The East Narembeen Seventh Day Adventist Church are **suspending** all Saturday morning church services effective from Saturday 21st March 2020 **until advised further** .

The Church has a local TV Chanel 306 and radio station 3ABN serves our community with Sabbath School and sermons as well as other interesting shows, wellness, cooking etc.

Church of Christ

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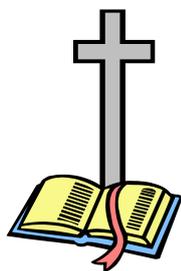
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Sunday 14 June
10.00am

Worship service

ST PAUL’S ANGLICAN

Sunday 14 June
9.30am Service



Readings

Genesis Chapter 18 Verses 1-15 Kerry Fricker
Romans Chapter 5 Verses 1-11 Ruth Hall
Matthew Chapter 9 Verse 35 – Chapter 10 Verse 8
Psalm 116 Verse 1-2 and Verses 11-18

ROMAN CATHOLIC

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sunday June 14
8.00am

Reader: N Sharp





COMMUNITY HEALTH INFORMATION



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COMING EVENTS

June 2020

Wednesday	10th	Numbats: Phone Bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289	8.15am - 5.15pm
		GOLF Ladies Stroke—Carol Currie Trophy	
Thursday	11th	Men’s Shed—Coffee Only STRICTLY no work	9.00am
		Numbats: Phone bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289	8.15am - 5.15pm
		Autumn Club	10.00am-2.00pm
Friday	12th	Playgroup at Numbats Centre	9.30am
Saturday	13th	Men’s Shed—Coffee Only STRICTLY no work	9.00am
Sunday	14th	Church	9.30am
		GOLF Men Stableford—R Miolini Trophy	
		GOLF Ladies—Sweep stakes	
Monday	15th	Arts and Crafts & Book Exchange at Community Shed	10.00am-4.00pm
		Narembeen Historical Society Meeting	2.00pm
Tuesday	16th	Badminton at Town Hall	7.30pm
		Senior Citizens	2.00pm
		Numbats: Phone Bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289	8.15am - 5.15pm
Wednesday	17th	Numbats: Phone Bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289	8.15am - 5.15pm
		GOLF Ladies - Darien Pascoe Trophy	



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