

IRAAK NANGILOC COLIGNAN

Connected by Kulkyne Way, united by Community

Committee update... COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT COMING OUR WAY...

There's a great sense of momentum in our community at the moment, with some exciting projects underway and community events to look forward to in the coming months.

We're also pleased to announce the addition of two large televisions, for the Nangiloc Hall and the Colignan Mudhut, along with a new conference camera to support meetings and events. This was made possible through a successful grant from Mildura Rural City Council, and we sincerely thank them for their support.

We pause to acknowledge the loss of two much-loved and respected members of our community, Allan Peek and Harold 'Les' Keller. Allan was a long-time contributor and deeply valued member of the district and his presence will be sorely missed. Les was a one-of-a-kind, cheeky, and kind-hearted bloke who lived life to the fullest and kept everyone on their toes.

On behalf of the Nangiloc Colignan District Community Association and the wider community, we send our heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of both men. Their legacy and laughter will remain part of our community.

Looking ahead, we're excited to bring everyone together for a community movie night, Friday 19th of September, at the Nangiloc Rec Reserve! Keep an eye on the Nangiloc Colignan Iraak Community Facebook Page for updates and your chance to vote on the movie.

Wishing all our growers a safe and successful harvest and a reminder for everyone to stay vigilant and look out for one another during this busy time.

Our next community meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19th August, with the location to be relocated from the CFA room to the Community Hall! We'd love to see you there.

Warm regards,



NANGILOC COLIGNAN DISTRICT
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NCDCA MEETING TUES 19TH AUG 6PM NANGILOC HALL

WHAT'S ON?

Photography CONTEST

Your photo could feature in the Nangiloc Colignan Iraak District 2026 Community Calendar!

Entry criteria

- Photos must be HD format
- Taken within the past 2 years
- Relevant to our local District
- Maximum 5 photos per entry
- Each have a brief description

ENTRIES CLOSE
October 31st 2025

FOR MORE INFO & REGISTRATION
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Nangiloc Colignan Iraak Community

An initiative by Nangiloc Colignan District Community Association

Upcoming EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

**OUTDOOR
CINEMA**

FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

NANGILOC RECREATION RESERVE



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A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE NANGILOC CARAVAN PARK

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone for their support over Hattah weekend. It was fantastic to see the park buzzing with energy and we were proud to welcome so many visitors, competitors and their families.

The event was a great success and showcased the true spirit of our local community. Congratulations to all the competitors, what an effort!

From all of us at the Nangiloc Caravan Park,
we hope everyone enjoyed their stay and look forward to next year!



Back in time...

ECHOES OF THE RIVER TRADE

The Stories of the Wanara and the Moorabin

In the early days of settlement around 1847, transporting goods to and from the cities meant a three-month round trip by bullock wagon. That all changed in 1853 when paddle steamers like The Mary Ann began navigating the Murray, turning the river into a vital trade route.

At Mansell's Reserve, you'll find the resting place of two historic vessels from that golden era of river trade.

The Wanara began as a barge (TP) in Moama before being converted into a paddle steamer in 1910. That same year, she carried a record-breaking 450 tonnes and went on to tow barges along the Murray, Darling and Murrumbidgee for over 40 years. In 1953, she became the first paddle steamer to be converted to diesel and later served as a passenger vessel. Her journey ended in 1985 when she was destroyed by fire.

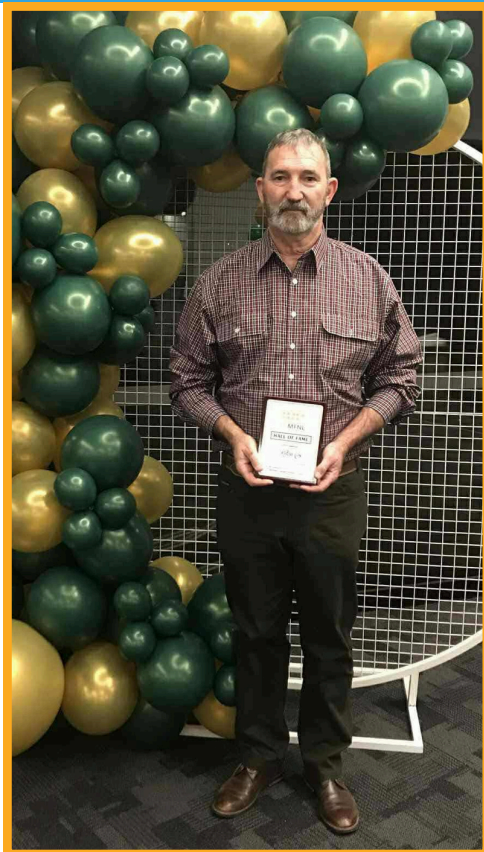
Below the slipway, when the river is low, you might spot her old companion The Moorabin, originally built in Goolwa in 1910 as The Myee. He carried wool, dried fruit, gravel and more along the river and, in 1936, famously collided with Lock 7 while being towed by The Wanara, damaging 180 bales of wool.

Today, both hulls rest quietly at Mansell's Reserve, a reminder of the river's rich history and the paddle steamers that once powered it.

***Their hulls now resting
at Mansell's Reserve***



***Photos courtesy
of Frank Tucker***



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

The Millewa Football Netball League held a dinner for Hall of Fame Inductees on Saturday July 12.

Nangiloc was represented by two worthy winners in Kelvin Cox and Eric Hooper.

Kelvin is the League games record holder with over 450 games and Eric has been amongst McDonald medalists and also over 300 games for Nangiloc.

Both have definitely done a lot for Nangiloc and the League through years of playing, years of service or receiving awards over the years.

Congrats gentlemen, much deserved!



NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS 2025

Nangiloc Colignan Primary School

Students and staff at Nangiloc Colignan Primary School celebrated NAIDOC Week with a vibrant and engaging day organised by community member Michalilea Walker, with support from MDAS (Mallee District Aboriginal Services), school staff and local cultural leaders.

The day featured traditional dancing, fried scone making, kangaroo stew, Aboriginal art, a smoking ceremony, and a display of cultural artefacts - all aimed at deepening students' understanding of Aboriginal culture.

The event was a collaborative effort, with contributions from Kyle Donaczy, Kaine O'Donnell, Kalkiri Bysouth, Roy Harris, Aunty Tanya Smith, and a special visit from AFL legend Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti. MDAS also supported media coverage of the event.

The day left a lasting impression on students, who gained a stronger appreciation for Aboriginal culture and connection to Country.

NAIDOC Week is more than a celebration - it's a time to honour, listen, and walk together.



Photos courtesy of MDAS



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Test your local knowledge...

LEMON YOGHURT MUFFINS

Ingredients:

- 2½ cups self-raising FLOUR
- ¼ cup caster SUGAR
- 1 tbsp lemon zest
- ¼ cup lemon JUICE
- 1 cup VANILLA yoghurt
- ½ cup vegetable OIL
- 1 EGG, lightly beaten
- ICING sugar & extra zest, to serve

Method:

- Preheat oven to 190°C (170°C fan). Line or grease a 12 hole muffin tray.
 - Mix flour and sugar in a bowl. Add zest, juice, yoghurt, oil, and egg. Stir gently until just combined.
 - Divide mixture evenly into the muffin tray. Bake for 18–22 mins or until golden and cooked through.
 - Cool in tray for 5 mins, then move to a wire rack. Dust with icing sugar and sprinkle with zest to serve.
- FRESH, FLUFFY and ZESTY...also amazing with oranges!

The CAPITAL WORDS in the recipe are the words for the find a word...

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Around the bend...

Reflections from Dawn Casey

My time in Nangi stretches back to the days of Parker’s General Store, the early beginnings of the Nangiloc Football and Netball Club, and the legendary River Rats. I remember the original wooden two-room school – later rebuilt thanks to the tireless efforts of the Nangiloc School Committee, led by Barry Casey, who chased every available grant to see a new three-room brick school built, complete with change rooms and an indoor space for PE.

In summer, when the children of fruit pickers tripled the size of our little school, classes were held beneath the big old cottonwood trees or even in the schoolhouse lounge room. I remember when students from Colignan would come to Nangiloc for swimming lessons, long before they had their own pool.

This was before Zilzie and the wineries, when our region was mainly made up of market gardens and vines played only a small role. Families like the Christensens, Goldups and Lampards were at the heart of it all.

My memories begin in the early 1970s and continued right through to the 2010s, until my husband became too unwell to travel. But even though I’m not there now, this community lives in every fibre of my being. Once experienced, it's never forgotten.



CONGRATULATIONS

Cam Cox is the newest life member of the Nangiloc & District Football Netball Club. Cam has represented the club as a player, sports trainer, club league delegate, Vice President and currently as President. His passion and dedication to the club are second to none and we are so proud he has joined his parents as life members. Clubs like ours don't survive without people like you Cam. Congratulations Cam!

Nangiloc & District Football Netball Club

