

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Narrogin Senior High School

Issue 4 2017







unchtime Concerts got underway in Week 6. Every Friday students have been able to enjoy listening to some of their peers perform in a relaxing and welcoming environment. There has been an impressive audience every week to support the performers, making the concerts a huge success. In order for the concerts to continue throughout the year we need more people who are willing to perform and take advantage of this encouraging and casual atmosphere. Please see Mrs Whitting if you would like to play an instrument or sing a song next term – anyone and any item is welcome!





Rock Ensemble also started this term. Every Wednesday a group of students meet to learn their favourite songs together as a band. If you would like to be part of the band – whether you play an instrument or sing (or if you want to learn) – come by the Music room on Wednesday lunchtime to join in!

Concert Bands – The instrumental music students had their Mid-Year Concert on Sunday 18 June. All students had the opportunity to perform an item to show-off the skills they had learnt so far this year. The Junior and Senior Bands also performed excellently in preparation for their ABODA Concert Band Festival coming up in Perth. Good luck to both bands! A big congratulations to all students who performed.

Mrs Stephanie Whitting









Phone: 98819300 Fax: 98812170 Email: nshsmail@nshs.wa.edu.au Web: www.nshs.wa.edu.au Student Services: 98819378

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



Principal Mr Steve Quartermaine

Middle School Deputy Ms Sandii Stankovic



The end of Semester 1, 2017. Term 2 has gone by very quickly. Countryweek is upon us with our students and staff participating in Week 10. The Senior Band Camp and the Year 9 and 10, Narrogin Academic Extension program (NAEP) excursion to Murdoch University in Week 9 culminate an excellent semester for our school. Staff continue to go above and beyond normal expectations planning and conducting exciting learning opportunities for our students. A study program will take place for 9 Year 12 students who have been selected to participate in the week long AHEAD study program at Curtin University during the July holidays.

Our building program is continuing with new carpet being installed in the upstairs passageway during the holidays and a new shelter being built for our Year 12 students. Very soon all of our students will have a large dry area to escape the wet winter conditions and to shelter from the summer sun.

Although there is another semester to go in 2017 our preparations have already begun for 2018. Subject selection books for 2018 have been finalised and Ms Stankovic and Mr Symington have visited all of our surrounding schools talking to prospective students and parents. Locally we have held two parent information sessions for parents and carers of Year 10 students and one for Year 6 parents and carers.

School Council

Two vacancies exist on our School Council for Parents, Carers and/or Community members. The term is for 3 years and requires the elected representative to attend two meetings per term. A nomination form which has all the details is included in this newsletter.

Student Achievements

Congratulations to:

Ryan Fleay – Winner of Boys Countryweek Beep Test
Pippa Bairstow- Winner of Girls Countryweek Beep Test

On the Sporting Field

Katrina Reynolds has been selected in the Equestrian team to represent WA at Toowoomba, QLD.

Michaela and Caitlin Pratt are now ranked in the top 10 Squash players in Australia for their respective age groups.

Have a safe and happy and safe holiday.

Imost half way through the year and we are certainly kept busy.

I have been visiting Primary Schools to discuss transition for the Year 7 2018 cohort. I have met great people along the way from Hyden to Williams. It was also endearing that staff, parents and students also believe we are a great school. Students are keen to continue their educational journey at Narrogin SHS.

The Think Big Committee (Positive Behaviour in Schools) have organised the The Think Big Shop. Once students receive a yellow wrist band from the form teacher (which is earnt when the student receives 30 Think Big cards) a prize can be chosen from the Think Big Shop. Eligible students need to complete the book situated at the library desk after they have spoken with Mrs Carden.

Parents/Caregivers will be receiving student school reports through Connect. This will save you storing them and then trying to find them again. If you wish to have a hard copy please let Sue Jacobs (front office) know – if you haven't already.

A reminder we have a **Parent/Teacher Evening** scheduled for Thursday 20 July 2017 from 4 – 8pm. These are loaded onto the School Booking System by clicking into www.sobs.com.au If you are unable to access the website please phone Carol Potts on 9881 9300.

Year 7 Interm Swimming Lessons will take place throughout Week 10: Monday 26 June – Friday 30 June 2017. This is a compulsory event and all students are expected to attend the swimming lessons.

Attendance Competition will be running right through to the end of the Term. This term our competition is for each Year Group. The Year 7s are front runners at this point – Good Luck.



Senior School Deputy

Mr Andrew Symington

t this time of the year, holidays for everyone, are a very welcome sight. An opportunity to replenish drained reserves, to relax with family and friends and perhaps reflect on the time that has passed. For many this will be the case. First semester exams are done and dusted, the last of those necessary assessments have been completed and for our senior students, they are well into second semester learning.

Our hardworking Year 12 students have really only 10 weeks to go before they are released into the wide world of either work or further education. Now is NOT the time, whether in the ATAR or General/VET pathway to stop and 'smell the roses'. Especially for our ATAR group you do need some time for the recharging of batteries, but you also really need to take this precious opportunity to study, collate and solidify notes, and prepare for your final exams. A special mention at this time to the 9 students who applied and were accepted for the Curtin AHEAD camp (Ionie Hall, Sophie Potts, Mackenzie Simons, Junya Ohashi, Kiara Screaigh, William Toms, Thomas Haythornthwaite, Torin Baxter and Georgia Earnshaw). They will have the opportunity to do revision courses and seek specialist help from qualified staff. We had such rave reviews from those that attended last year, that I am looking forward to hearing the feedback from this year's crew.

There have been some course changes for our students in Year 11, and this really is something on which our current cohort of Year 10 students need to think long and carefully. They are about to start their course counselling, choosing the subjects which will take them through to their graduation in 2019. Please be realistic, based on your own assessment of where you are at now, and of what you are personally capable. Your teachers will support you and help you achieve, but only if the 'will' and the 'way' are there from you in the very first instance. Semester Two is the beginning of your journey ... so begin as you wish to finish.

For our Year 11 students, you still have 18 months to go before graduation. I have had the pleasure of many conversations over the past few weeks and consistently has been the message to me, 'I could have done more'. The one thing I have learnt over the years, is that time, once gone, can never be redeemed. The opportunities today will be forever gone tomorrow. So ... don't put off tomorrow what can be accomplished today, as you never know what the morrow will bring.

I wish everyone a safe, relaxing and study filled (not free) holiday. Come back refreshed, return revitalised and reappear at school, ready for the second half of your learning journey for 2017.

STUDY TIPS #7

Swot Evaluation - jot the answers down on a piece of paper and put somewhere to compare with later answers.

STRENGTHS

What went well for you at school last semester?

What study techniques worked well for you?

What skills do you have that helped you achieve in Semester One?

WEAKNESSES

What were your greatest challenges in achieving your personal best?

What did you struggle with most?

What do you need the most help with?

OPPORTUNITIES

If there was one thing to do differently, what would most help you to improve your results?

What skills do you most need to focus on improving this year?

What other avenues of help at school can you access to support your future achievement?

REALITIES

What are the biggest obstacles to you making changes in your attitude?

Are there other students with whom you sit who make learning difficult or are a distraction?

What is stopping you from achieving the best results you can at school?



Grooming and Deportment

group of 11 Students from years 8-12 participated in a 5 week Grooming and Deportment Course. At the conclusion of the course we had Krissie Westwood Modelling and Casting Agency come to work with the students. Thank you to Bettina's Beauty Salon, Cactus Hare, The Hairdressers, Amcal Chemist and Yvette Ettridge for donating your precious time, also to Narrogin Beauty Clinic and Guardian Chemist for donating products.









School Holiday Recipe Challenge

s the semester comes to a close the NSHS Hospitality students would like to thank each and every one of you for supporting the program. Whether it be a simple complimentary word to someone, attending one of the morning teas following an assembly or dining on a Friday in the Student run HillTop Café where you have enjoyed the fruits of their hard work.

The students in the program work closely with their trainer, Ms Justine Campbell to design recipes that address the various cookery methods required for their studies.

We would like to share with you one of our popular recipes from the restaurant for you to recreate at home. Simply go to NSHS Facebook page and upload your entry photo. The winner will be announced on July 18 and receive a \$30 voucher to dine at the HillTop Café.

Japanese Cotton Cheesecake

Makes 8" or 9" round tin | Prep Time: 30 mins |

Bake Time: 70 mins

Ingredients:

140g Caster Sugar 6 Egg whites 6 Egg yolks 1/4 t Cream of Tartar 50g Unsalted Butter 250g Cream Cheese 100 ml Milk 1 T Lemon Juice 60g Cake Flour 20g Corn Flour 1/4 t Salt



Method:

- 1. Melt cream cheese, butter and milk over a double boiler. Fold in the flour, the cornflour, salt, egg yolks, lemon juice and mix well.
- 2. Make the meringue by whisking egg whites with cream of tartar until foamy. You can beat with a stand mixer or handheld mixer. Add in the sugar and whisk until soft peaks form.
- 3. Take 1/3 meringue and fold into the cheese mixture, then fold in another 1/3 of meringue. After incorporated, pour the batter back to the remaining 1/3 meringue and fold. FOLD GENTLY. Pour the mixture into a 8-inch round cake pan (lightly grease and line the bottom and sides of the pan with grease-proof baking paper or parchment paper).
- 4. Bake cheesecake in a water bath for 1 hour and 10 minutes or until set and golden brown at 160 degrees C (325 degrees F).

If using an 8" pan, it is very important to line the sides of the 8" pan with parchment paper, make sure the parchment paper extends higher than the cake tin by about 1.5".

Volcano Report

e got to choose our groups and immediately I went with my two closest friends, Katelyn and Rachel although we had 3 people in our group and everyone else had 2, we saw it as more of an advantage then a disadvantage.

First we got the largest bottle we could find and covered it in a plastic bag, we then put paper mache on the bag until it started to look like a volcano. I tried to make it look realistic so I was constantly walking around the desk rambling on about the texture of the volcano. Once we finished the volcano's paper mache we started to paint it, we did a layer of brown and grey then a bit of green on the top. We then put the volcano on the



card and decorated it with a mound of clay. I think that was the best part. We finished early and decided to put some rocks on it so we left the room (with the teachers permission) we scoured the ground for rocks and ended

up only using 6 of the 20 we picked up. We then used some dirt as the ground and glued it on. It looked great WE were so pleased with ourselves.

Then the day of the explosions came and we were all nervous, I noticed the prizes on the teacher's desk. He announced the winner of the people's choice award, it wasn't us. But I noticed that each person in the group got a bag of freddo frogs. The grand prize was a box of favourites, but there were only two boxes and there are 3 of us in our group. My hope of winning soon faded and I was just in it for the fun. But when

our volcano didn't explode I was devastated. Our bottle was too big and we didn't put enough baking soda and vinegar in. Everyone else's volcanos went off and now my whole group was a bit devastated.



At the end of the lesson the teacher went to announce the winner of the grand prize, I was ready to congratulate whoever it was. Unknown to my group the judging was done before hand purely on presentation. I was completely shocked when the teacher said "Alanna's group" and handed me the 2 boxes of favourites. It was the best feeling sharing the chocolate out between the three of us.

I think we won because we did something different and didn't just have it in a tray with a river stopping the lava from hitting the town as almost every one else did, we wanted to be different and think outside of the box, which paid off.

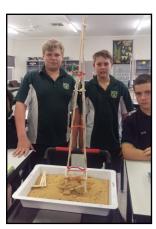
By Alanna Hill

STEM Engineering Challenge

rs Johnson's Year 8 Science class have been designing earthquake proof towers.

Many large cities are built on seismically active fault lines. Tall structures must be built to withstand frequent violent earthquakes. Students studied the design of the Taipei 101, the second tallest tower in the world, and then designed and tested their own towers.









Yr 11 Foundation Mathematics

Mrs Bendix's Foundation Year 11 Class put Mathematics into practice today! The students made a lemon slice where they had to accurately measure their ingredients applying their knowledge of fractions and quantity conversion. The results were delicious!





ROOM 30 Activities

Students, who attend some lessons in Room 30, have this year begun to undertake activities from ASDAN. ASDAN is a pioneering curriculum development organisation and awarding body, offering programmes and qualifications that explicitly grow skills for learning, skills for work and skills for life. ASDAN stands for Award Scheme Development and Accreditation and originated in the UK. There are different curriculum opportunities for lower school and upper school.

One of the ASDAN objectives involves creating something that can be placed on display. The students have made a variety of items that not only meet that particular objective, but others as well, such as those that meet the criteria for mathematics, arts and crafts, design and technology, science and community service. Two of those activities have been taken up by Year 12 students as their Business Enterprise project. One Year 12 student is also completing a unit on Independent Living.



Mable making Kombucha



Gene hatching chickens for Business Enterprise



Levi learning fractions



Conrad measuring for Milkshakes



Alex measuring for beeswax cloths



Mrs Smith with a succulent tea cup



Seth with a loom beanie he made for Business Enterprise.

Items made by students include loom knitted items (beanies and scarves) Beeswax Cloths, Jacobs Ladders, Succulent Gardens, Pompom Mats, Milkshakes, Pancakes, Dip and Vegetables, Kombucha and Heat Packs.

I am delighted at the interest, involvement and learning that has taken place as a result of students undertaking ASDAN. If any parents or carers would like to be involved in our activities, please feel free to call me at the school.

Mrs Colleen Gee

MATHS Department

MAWA Have Sum Fun Online Competition

his term 24 students in Years 7, 8,9 and 10 have competed in the MAWA Have Sum Fun Online competition. Students worked in teams of 4 to solve a range of mathematical problems over 3 weeks. Each week students were faced with ten challenging mathematical questions.



Students have to demonstrate great team work as well as their exceptional mathematical abilities. It is a fun and exciting way for them to show their school spirit as they

work through the tasks together.

The results are now in and whilst we didn't make the top 3, our Year 10 team rank 10 out of 22 schools which is a fantastic achievement.

Congratulations to the following students for their participation and ability to work collaboratively with each other.

Year 7: Ashleigh Erickson, Amy Mulcahy, Chloe Bertuola, William Coppock, Mia Slawinski, Tayla Battley, Chelsea Mulcahy, Jorja Young

Year 8: Callum Watts, Benjamin Woodruff, Ava Rawlings, Emily Jones, Thomas Munns, Jed Vukomanovic, Camryn Furphy, Dylan Annear

Year 9: Ethan Mycock, Rachel Mulcahy, Eric Wessels, Samuel Alchin, Xavier Windsor

Year 10: Angus Forrester, Tyrone Doust, Justin Nguyen, Ryan Blechynden

It has been fantastic to see these skills develop over the three weeks. We look forward to entering the competition again in Term 3.

Mathematics Department





Free Resources

athspace is an Australian company that provides resources for online learning. Westpac have very recently announced that they are sponsoring Mathspace Essentials, making a series of eBooks available for free to students. The eBooks have explanations, worked examples and interactive questions. Students can sign up at

https://mathspace.co/westpac/essentials/

Students may find this a useful resource if they are looking for a different explanation for a concept or for extra practice leading up to tests. Students studying Specialist Maths will find the "National" IB Mathematics (HL) eBook most relevant. For Methods students, there is a yr11 and a yr12 Mathematical Methods text available, and for students studying Maths Applications the relevant text is called Mathematical Applications.

A reminder that Mathematics tutoring is on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday after school (3:30 – 4:30) in Room 10; students are welcome to attend every week or just as necessary.

Australian Mathematics Competition

One of the world's largest school-based mathematics competitions with more than 14 million entries since 1978

Thursday 27 July 2017

All Year 11 and 12 Mathematics Methods and Year 7 to 10 NAEP students are registered for this event.

Damian Maiolo Enjoying the Fruits of His Labour.



Damian Maiolo

amian is the first student at Narrogin Senior High School to achieve a Silver certificate in Mathletics

Mathletics has the ability to provide a significant advantage to students who use it regularly and is available to all year 7 and 8 students to use at school and at home

Let's all shoot for Gold

Mr Giles Wholohan.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

s part of a strong standing school tradition, during weeks 5 & 6 the Year 8 Food, Science and Technology classes invited family and friends to take part in Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, which is a fundraiser for the Cancer Council.

The students prepared a range of delicious food and acted as hosts for this worthy event. We were lucky enough this year to be able to hold the events in the Hilltop Café and showcase this magnificent venue.

It was pleasing to see so many people attend; especially those who took time off work, attended multiple morning teas or travelled long distances.

Nearly \$700 was raised to support the Cancer Council.

Mrs Russell, Ms Campbell and Mrs Pattullo would like to thank everyone involved for their support.

Mrs Susan Pattullo









Year 8 NAEP English

The Year 8 NAEP students have been analysing the novel, "Extremely loud and incredibly close," by Jonathan Foer. The novel focuses on how Oskar Schell, a



super-smart nine-year old grieving the loss of his father, who was killed in the World Trade Center attacks on September 11, 2001, copes with this loss. Oskar has a terrible secret, but he deals with this through his interactions with community members.

The students undertook an oral presentation where they chose to be an interviewer or a character from the novel. They wrote FAT questions which looked at asking extended, open ended questions to gain maximum information from their answers. They learned about



techniques when public speaking and how to engage their audience. Austin Shotter stated, "We actually learned more about Oskar and we learned about the symbolism that Jonathan Foer uses in the book." Kristina Praetz also said, "It was fun to be able to put yourself out there, to be like one of the other characters."

We also entered two competitions:

2017 Tim Winton Award for Young Writers The John Marsden & Hachette Australia Prize

Jed Vukomanovic wrote a story about Zombies in World War 2, which was an exciting genre for him to try, Jed said, "It was nice to be creative." Ava Rawlings wrote her short story on nurses in World War 1, she stated, "It was fun to learn about history and using it creatively in writing."

We will be producing a book on our short stories by the end of the term. So keep watching this space.

Mrs L Davidson HOLA English









DESIGN & PHOTOGRAPHY

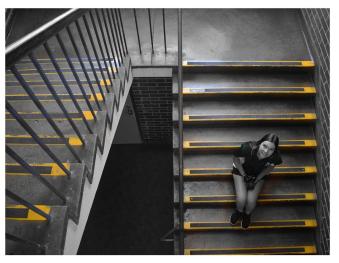
It has been a fantastic year in Design & Photography throughout term 1 and 2. We have explored; composition, macro, point of view, portraits, manual photography and have even made their own GIFs! The Year 9 students have produced some great images and have had their work exhibited at the Williams Gateway Expo and the Narrogin Town Hall. Our Year 11 & 12 Certificate II Design students have been busy completing their booklets and producing some extremely creative work, they have been working on their photography and design skills throughout a range of different projects. Kiara Screaigh received the 'People's Choice Award' at the Williams Gateway Expo and was awarded a canvas print of her image (pictured below). We are looking forward to seeing what our students achieve in Term 3.



Composition Task - Kayla Lamb



Portrait Task - Aimee Grzinic



Point of View Task - Paige McGovern



Williams Expo People's Choice Winner - Kiara Screaigh



Produce Digital Images Task - Abbey Johnson

Wildcats Basketball Session

n Wednesday the 14 June the Countryweek Basketball boys and girls were lucky enough to have a small session with Rhys Vague, Mason Bragg and Angus Brandt from the NBL team – Perth Wildcats.

The players ran some drills with the teams and spoke about their inspirations and their careers as professional basketball players. It was a great experience for the students, who gained some great tips and drills to take away to Countryweek.

By Josh Tolley





Academy Cup

n the 19 May the Netball and Hockey Academies played the first Academy Cup for the year.

The Cup serves a number of purposes. Not least is the opportunity for students to show what they have learnt in a competitive environment.

The chance for students to get to know one another and have an extra carnival is also a bonus.

Students not only play but get the opportunity to umpire and administrate the carnival. Skills that will stand them in good stead as they become valuable members of their local communities.

Thank you to all involved including Mr Johnson (HDO), Ms Borthwick, Mrs Corner and Mrs Wilkie.









Casey Kernutt at the MCG

Year 11 student Casey Kernutt played at the MCG in the pre-AFL match before the Dreamtime at the "G" game between Essendon and Richmond. Casey was chosen to participate in the U23 Rio Tinto Footy Means Business Program. The year-long program provides talent and employment opportunities for 50 young Indigenous men from all over Australia.

During the program participants are exposed to the routine of a professional AFL player, including high performance testing, training and conditioning. The men are also introduced to potential career opportunities with AFL corporate partners.

Between camps, participants are assigned a mentor and are required to undertake a personal development project in their community. The AFL and Rio Tinto have set a 100% target for participants to be engaged in employment/education or training. Well done Casey.



Mr S Quartermaine

HOUSEKEEPING FOR NARROGIN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Is your child late to school?

Please make sure your child checks in at **Student Services** otherwise you will receive a text message saying he/she is not at school.

Do you need to pick your child up?

Please write a note for your child stating when you would like to pick them up.

They will then take the note to **Student Services** who will issue your child with a **Leave Pass** which will get them out of class at the correct time and will allow them back in to class when they return.

Alternatively you can phone Student Services if you need your child after they have arrived at school.

Have any of your personal details changed since enrolment?

Please ensure the school has your up-to-date information for mailing out information and in case of an emergency.

Please ensure your child arrives at school in school uniform.

The uniform shop is open Tuesdays only for Term 3 and Tuesdays and Thursdays for Term 4

School Rugby jumpers sold from the Canteen before school 9 - 12am. - Cost is \$60.

All Parents/Carers/Visitors must sign in at the Front Office.

YMCA Narrogin Regional Leisure Centre

Swim School Term 3 Enrolments Open Monday, 26 June 2017

Infant & Preschool Aquatics Swim & Survive

Squads

Junior Lifeguard

Private Lessons

Adult Learn to Swim

NEW PROGRAM Flippa Ball – A modified, non-contact version of Water Polo for beginners who have passed Stage 7 to learn the basics of the game. Free in Term 3 to any student enrolled in another Swim School program.

To find your family's fit or for more info chat to Sam Kempton via Nrlc.Swimschool@ymcawa.org.au

Calendar	rtems

Tuesday 18 July	Term 3 starts for students	
Thursday 20 July	Whole School Assembly Top Student & 8A Club Awards	2.20pm
Thursday 20 July	Parent/Teacher Interviews	4-8pm

Calandan I4ana

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS TERM 3

Trading Hours Term 3

Tuesdays only 8.15 - 11.15.

Except week one which will be Thursday ONLY

If undeliverable return to Narrogin Senior High School Private Bag 2 Narrogin WA 6312 PRINT POST APPROVED 63965610013

SURFACE MAIL

POSTAGE PAID NARROGIN



Government of Western Australia WA Country Health Service

Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health

WA Statewide Meningococcal W Immunisation Program Years 10-12

WA Statewide Meningococcal W Immunisation Program Years 10-12

In term 3 this year the WA Department of Health is providing a new Meningococcal Immunisation Program for students in years 10, 11 and 12.

The WA meningococcal W immunisation program has been launched in response to a recent increase in meningococcal infection caused by a particular type of the bacteria, 'serogroup W'.

Meningococcal disease can affect any age group. However, some of the highest rates of meningococcal carriage and illness occur among 15-19 year olds. Of the 21 meningococcal W cases diagnosed in WA between 2013 and 2016, 24 percent were adolescents aged 15-19 years old.

Further information about meningococcal disease and the immunisation program can be found on the Consent Forms have been sent home with students, and will need to be returned to the school by the **ASAP**.

Date for the immunisation in term 3 will be 19th July 2017.

Please ensure you complete, sign and return the form, even if you are <u>not</u> consenting to the vaccination/s. No student will be vaccinated without your consent.

If you have any concerns or queries about these vaccinations please contact

Tammy Vause - School Health Nurse on ph. 9881 9330.

Further information can also be found at

www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/J_M/Meningococcal-vaccine

www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/J_M/Meningococcalvaccine

> Williams Road, Narrogin WA 6312 PO Box 477, Narrogin WA 6312 Tel: (08) 9881 0385 Fax: (08) 9881 0457 ABN: 28 690 145 816 http://www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au

Newdegate Field Day Student Art Competition 6 & 7 September 2017

The Newdegate Field Day Art Competition is once again inviting the students from your school to enter their original artwork. There is a limit of **three** entries per student.

A prize of \$200 is on offer for students in years 7 -12 (please note this is no longer an acquisition prize) as well as the usual Year section prizes up to \$50.

All artworks should be mounted on card. Framed work will be accepted, but is NOT compulsory. (Please ensure it has a SECURE string or wire on the back for hanging)

Artwork should be completed and handed in to your coordinator before Monday 21st August.

Craftwork cannot be accepted No late entries Please contact Natalie Dunkeld (98712002) or

Amanda Shalders (98716061) if you need to know more.



Narrogin Poultry Society

Annual Championship Show Saturday July 1st 2017 Enquiries & Schedules: 9888 4054



EVERYBODY WELCOME