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## Crash after high speed chase

A POLICE car was involved in a collision after a high-speed pursuit along a dirt road on Saturday.

A 21-year-old Quambatook man was charged after allegedly driving at speeds of up to 160 and 170 km, after Senior Constable David Morton observed the driver doing "wheelies" at the intersection of the Donald-Swan Hill and Charlton-Swan Hill roads at 4.30 pm.

Senior Constable Morton said that he pursued the vehicle south on the unsealed Charlton-Swan Hill road for 22 km before the offending driver lost control of his vehicle, which slid off the road then back into the path of the police car.

The front bumper bar of the police vehicle collided with the centre pillar and door area of the other vehicle.

Neither Senior Constable Morton nor the five occupants of the other vehicle were injured.

The man will appear at Kerang Magistrate's Court at a later date on 17 charges including driving while disqualified and driving in a manner dangerous.



Kerang Technical High School student, Kirsty Heaps has been learning the age old craft of blacksmithing. Visiting artist in residence Stacie McCaig was particularly keen to show that girls can be proficient with a hammer and anvil. The tutor's visit was funded by the students' disco committee.

## REGIONAL WEATHER

### TEMPERATURES

Thursday minimum 6.4 degrees, maximum 16.2 degrees. Friday 7.1, 18.3. Saturday 6.8, 22.6. Sunday 12.6, 19.9. Monday 8.1.

### RAINFALL

Sunday 4.4 mm. Monday 8.6 mm. Month to date, 103 mm. Year to date, 317.4 mm. (1992 to September 20, 328.2 mm).

### EVAPORATION

Weekly pan evaporation, 19.9 mm.

### FORECAST

Cloudy periods with isolated showers. Cool west to southwest wind. WARNINGS major flooding current for the Loddon River downstream of Laanecoorie Reservoir.

Outlook Wednesday: Fine. Cool to mild.

## UNDER THE COVERS

**CHILDREN'S Book Week** was a great success with visits to Kerang Public Library from more Primary School classes than could be fitted into one week.

Children had to "Go Undercover" through the dinosaur tunnel to reach the library upstairs - a topical and popular theme with Jurassic Park hitting the headlines.

**Victorian Immigration Records** on micro-fiche for 1852-1859 have been added to the library's historical resources.

The library will receive a Government grant of \$20,000 to upgrade its computer system to networking capacity.

Cohuna Shire Council is investigating the possibility of Kerang Library extending its service to include Cohuna.

# Storm lifts farm roof

A TRAGOWEL family lost a section of their roof due to violent winds at about 5.30 pm on Sunday.

Alan and Beryl Pleasance lost most of the roof on the west side of the bungalow style farm house with sheets of the iron ending up in surrounding trees.

The couple also witnessed the destructive winds destroy their television antenna, lift the roof from their car shed, take the tops off willow trees and rip others from the ground.

Power was off all night at the property due to exposed leads.

Mrs Pleasance said the violent winds only lasted for about a minute but were very frightening.

No-one was injured in the storm.

## Moderate flooding for Loddon River

MODERATE flooding of the Loddon River is expected at Kerang and Appin following a warning of major flood warning downstream of Laanecoorie Reservoir.

Rural Water Corporation controller of operations at Kerang, Mr Ross Frantz said yesterday morning the river had not peaked at Laanecoorie and it was therefore impossible to make any definite predictions.

The flow downstream of Laanecoorie at 8 am yesterday measured 60,500 megalitres and 5.8 m on the gauge and still rising.

Mr Frantz said significant increases in inflows were expected.

The Avoca River was expected to reach 7.4 m at Charlton last night, with reasonably high levels expected at Quambatook.

Mr Frantz said the Murray River was also rising and carried a moderate flood warning.

# Higher fees to take the plunge

KERANG Public Swimming Pool users will face steep rises in admission fees and season tickets this Summer.

Some fees will rise by as much as 100 per cent as part of Kerang

Mr O'Dwyer said the pool's loss would be exacerbated this year, with at least \$20,000 being needed for essential maintenance.

He said council could incur a similar cost for the next few years in

lations imposed on council about the running of the facility.

He said council now had to employ a full-time lifeguard at the pool which would significantly increase the pool's running costs.

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## Whos Cup

The Northern Cup held by coaches, Osbrough della), left, Marty (Ultima) will prize for the



## GRAND FINAL UMPIRE

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RESERVES: Langdon, Brian; Fabian; Gareth Loner; Townley;

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