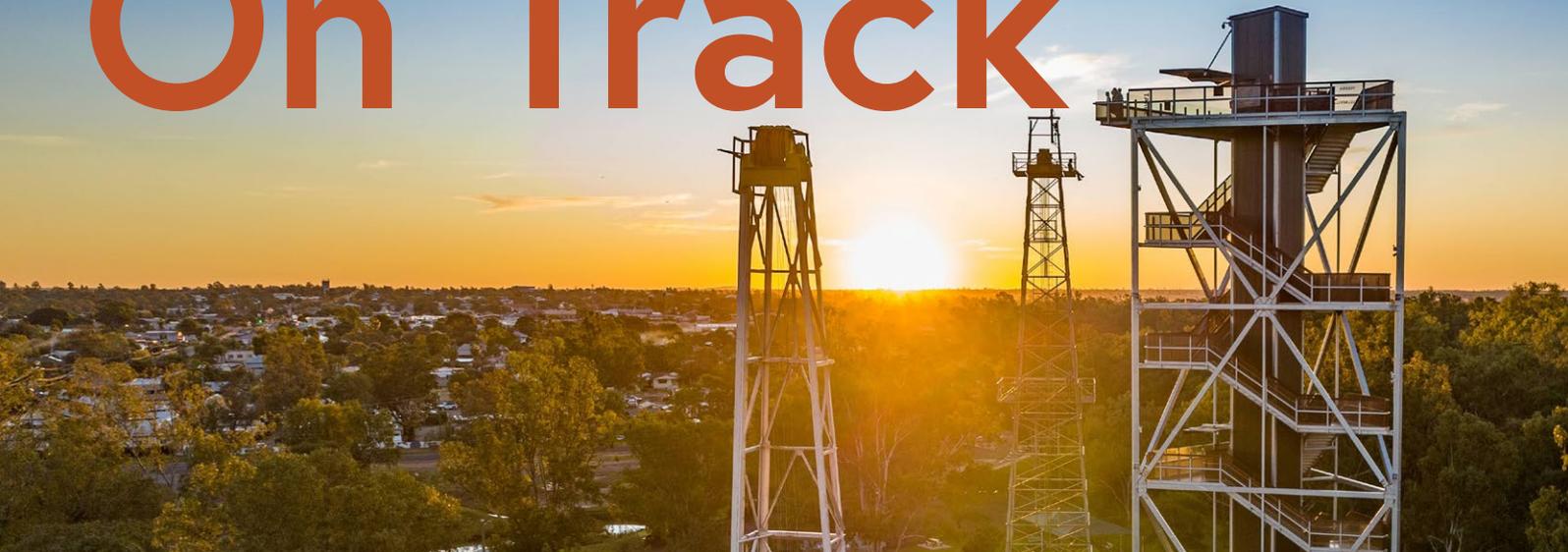


On Track



Big sky, big gospel

The big blue sky around Roma is home to Australia's largest cattle saleyards. The region also produces crops, timber, oil and gas that make a significant contribution to the Australian economy. In amongst all this economic activity, is a small Presbyterian Church where the Gospel is proclaimed, the fellowship is warm and disciples of Jesus are grown.

The Roma congregation are lovingly supported by the Miles Presbyterian Church, 150kms to the east. But with limited resources and vast distances it is hard to reach the lost in the town, on the cattle stations, in the mining camps and the small communities across the region. For many years, local church elders, PIM Teams and other faithful servants of the Lord having longingly asked 'What can be done to reach more people in this area with news of God's great rescue plan?'

It's a story that PIM sees repeated across our enormous continent. Beyond Australia's thriving capital cities live significant numbers of people with very little access to Bible teaching churches, Christian fellowship or opportunities to hear the Gospel. In remote and rural areas of our nation, there are people who are born, live out their lives and die without ever having the Gospel of the Lord Jesus explained to them. It is in these places that PIM carries out our work.

PIM Teams have long worked in the South West corner of Queensland, proclaiming the Gospel, caring for hurting people, providing friendship to many and supporting small churches in small towns.



Some years ago, the PIM Committee recognised the needs of this part of Australia and expressed a desire to do more there. PIM's experience in remote area ministry, combined with the love and enthusiasm of God's people in Miles, Roma and across the Presbytery of the Darling Downs has resulted in a brand-new partnership being established. This exciting new initiative aims to place a new worker in Roma. This worker will spend half their time serving the local church and seeking to make disciples in the town of Roma and the other half of their time employed by PIM to develop a new disciple-making patrol ministry in the surrounding area.

If you are ready for a new challenge and would like to find out more about this role, call Glen Perkins at Miles Presbyterian Church on 0487 135 179. If you'd like to contribute financially to getting this new ministry off the ground please visit pim.org.au/donate and select "Roma Patrol" from the list of ministry options.

What's on in 2026

Whether you're looking to improve your ministry skills, connect with other Nomads out on the road, or celebrate Easter in the high country, there's something for everyone.

For further details on each of these events and to register visit our website at pim.org.au/events. To find out more, email events@pim.org.au or call 0438 868 964.

Gospel Nomads Orientation Week **17-22 March 2026**

This first event for the 2026 Gospel Nomads Network provides practical apologetics and evangelism training that can be applied on your Nomad travels. It is also a great opportunity to connect with other Nomads and encourage each other in Gospel work.

Working bee at New Dunesk **23-27 March 2026**

PIM are calling for volunteers to be a part of a Working Bee at New Dunesk to build a stage and shed which will serve as a multi-purpose building for camps, concerts, and a range of events. Most of the work required is unskilled labour, so all you will need is a shovel (to lean on), a hat, some gloves, and a sense of humour. We are also looking for help with basic catering.

John Chester is leading the project. Come and help for one day or as long as your time permits.

Easter in Bombala **3-6 April 2026**

Celebrate Easter with Noah and Nerroli of the Snowy Mountains Patrol, with a family friendly weekend of camping, bible talks and community activities in Bombala.

A series of Bible talks will be held on the Saturday, followed by a Sunday morning church service, BBQ lunch and Easter egg hunt! Enjoy a range of planned activities, explore the local area, and get to know the Vasiliades and the Gospel work they are doing in the local community.

For more information or to RSVP contact Noah directly on noahvasiliades@gmail.com

WA Gospel Nomads **13-16 October 2026**

Based in Albany WA, this event provides an opportunity for people on the West coast to be involved in the PIM Gospel Nomads Network. Learn new skills, connect with other nomads and find new ways to serve and share Christ while on the road.

Mornings will be spent in teaching and training in evangelism and discipleship, afternoons will be spent sightseeing, and evenings in fellowship and prayer, with guests to share experiences.

Tracks

Outback Concert

2-5 October 2026

New Dunesk NSW



Featuring

**Sons
of Korah**

**Zoë Tyne
Mountainkind
Anna Waters**

Tickets:

pim.org.au/event/tracks

Thank you to the Morrrows

It is with great sadness we announce that Colin and Alison Morrow finished up their role with the PIM Mungo patrol in December last year. Throughout their almost 11 years of service to PIM, Colin and Alison have been driving long distances to meet people and share the gospel with them. They both epitomised the PIM slogan that the people in the Mungo patrol were 'worth driving for'. We thank both Colin and Alison for their dedication to PIM over many years.

Please continue to give thanks for the Morrrows and pray for them as they continue to live and work in Mildura. May God continue to bless them and keep them as they serve him at Sunraysia Presbyterian Church.



Exciting opportunities to serve

New Dunesk caretaker

We are looking for someone who'd love to wake up each morning at New Dunesk and help PIM develop the property into a place that inspires, equips and sends God's people out for gospel ministry in the Inland. This live-in role is a great opportunity for a practical person or couple to spend their days maintaining the property, welcoming guests and connecting with the local community.

National Director

The Presbyterian Inland Mission (PIM) Committee is seeking to appoint a National Director to provide operational leadership for PIM through the implementation of its Strategic Plan.

Applications are sought from Christian leaders with a heart for making disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ and the organisational leadership skills and energy to get things done. An affinity for people living in remote and rural parts of Australia is a must, as is the willingness to travel widely in support of the PIM team.

The National Director is the operational leader of PIM, responsible to the PIM Committee for the daily operations of PIM and the implementation of the PIM Committee's approved Strategic Plan. The role of National Director is a rewarding and influential role that seeks to shape and enable the Presbyterian Church of Australia's efforts to advance the Gospel in remote and sparsely populated areas of our continent, often in places where there is little other Christian witness.

Ideal applicants will have demonstrated organisational leadership and management experience, skills in public speaking and a strong relational focus. Experience as a Minister or Elder in a PCA congregation will be highly regarded. The successful appointee must meet the Biblical qualifications described in 1 Tim. 3:1-7 & Titus 1:6-9 and will need to reside within driving distance of PIM's home 'New Dunesk' in Ardlethan, NSW.

If you'd like to find out more about either of these roles, please contact PIM Committee Secretary Andrew Letcher on 0493 386 255 or email secretary@pim.org.au.

Patrol Vehicle Appeal



The PIM Snowy Mountains Patrol vehicle recently had (another) unfortunate altercation with a kangaroo. This time the vehicle was damaged beyond repair. This faithful Holden Colorado had covered hundreds of thousands of kilometres in PIM service and visited every state in Australia. It saw duty as the transport for two CEOs, as the New Dunesk vehicle and in the Snowy Mountains Patrol.

PIM are seeking the support of our donors to fund the purchase of a new vehicle to keep the Snowy Mountains team safe and productive.

If you are able to contribute, please visit pim.org.au/ donate and select "Patrol Vehicle Appeal" from the list of ministry options.

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Convener's message

From the Convener

In February this year the PIM committee met in person at the Presbyterian Church of NSW Church offices in Surry Hills, Sydney. This meeting is a great opportunity to catch up with other committee members, assess the ministry of PIM and plan for the year ahead.

The committee continues to build on the work of our strategic review last year as we remain committed to reaching people in remote and sparsely populated parts of Australia. To do this, our face-to-face meeting dealt with a variety of business including recruiting new staff and committee members, planning for our New Dunesk and WA Gospel Nomads events and establishing two new patrols in Roma, Queensland and Swan Hill, Victoria.

Our existing ministries, and especially these newly established patrols, will have to respond to the rapid changes in technology and culture that affect how people live and work in the bush. Increasing reliance on mechanisation, robotics and autonomous vehicles in agriculture often mean fewer people working on farms and rural areas. This, coupled with the growth of corporate agriculture instead of family farms, and an increase in temporary migrant workers have led to a decline in population around smaller rural towns and villages. This means that our ministries and patrols need to be prepared to operate in this different environment. Despite these changes, one thing that never changes is that people need to hear the gospel in these remote places and PIM is dedicated to helping them hear it.

Please pray for the committee as we work together in unity and as we search for a new National Director. Pray also that we can staff the new patrols with people who are passionate about sharing the gospel with people in remote and sparsely populated parts of our country.

Rev David Hawken
Convener

PRIVACY: PIM values the privacy of the people we work with, therefore, we may at times change the names of people in stories, substitute photos or obscure some geographic details that might identify them. However, all the stories we tell are true and accurately convey what we see God doing in people's lives.