



Grand return for beloved show

The Bass Coast Agriculture Show was a big hit over the weekend as it returned after years of COVID interruptions. Pictured is Logan who was joined by Sarah and Scott Allen as they hit up Arcade Alley winning prizes on the laughing clowns. Full coverage on pages 18 & 19.

BUILD A WALL

LOCALS and visitors alike can tell you where all the sand from the Inverloch Surf Beach has gone, all 75 metres of it, over the past five years or so.

And environmental officer at the Inverloch Surf Life Saving Club, Warren Cook, has had a birds' eye view of the movement from his home, watching Anderson Inlet fill up with sand, while being fully aware of the threat posed to the surf club from constant erosion.

"We've been a bit lucky over the past two

years that the damage from erosion has slowed down, but in the years previous to that, the storm surges and south-westerly flow have really gouged out tremendous amounts of sand," said the former surf club president.

"We lost two patrol towers along the way and where the surf club building was way back in the dunes before, you can clearly see it from the beach now.

"But it's not about us or the surf club. That's going to go in the years ahead, as

sea level rises, with threats to the town's infrastructure and some of the houses along the beach, unless something major is done soon.

"We called for immediate action from the beginning and thankfully we have seen some measures that have been successful, particularly the rock wall down the Cape Paterson Road end, but there's really got to be a commitment to more action now.

Continued page 3

SPECTACULAR VIEWS

3 Glamis Road,
Ventnor

Unique clifftop
property on
2.5 acres approx.

Expressions
of Interest

ALEX SCOTT
AND STAFF

113a Thompson Avenue, Cowes
5952 2633
www.alexscott.com.au



EDNEY'S
LEONGATHA

1 Roughead St, Leongatha
Ph 5662 2327 LMCT 1500

AH Darryl McGannon 0409 151 463
AH Heather Walker 0418 564 157
www.edneysleongatha.com.au
sales@edney.com.au

NISSAN

Overseas pre-production
model shown



All-new
Nissan
X-TRAIL

Prepare to be moved

NISSAN
INTELLIGENT
MOBILITY

MICHAEL'S



Leongatha & Korumburra Only

SAVE **4¢**
On Fuel

OFF Per Litre



Australian
BROCCOLINI

\$2.49
bunch



Australian
LOOSE MUSHROOMS

\$9.99
kg



Australian
BANANAS

\$1.99
kg



Extra Large BBQ Chickens

\$9.99
ea



Square Cut Forequarters (Lamb BBQ Chops)

\$12.99
kg



Gourmet Marinara Mix

\$22.99
kg



Jam Donuts 4 Pack
Equates to 75¢ per donut

\$2.99
pack

Michael's Bakery



Mission Wraps 8 Pack Varieties
80¢ per 100g

\$4.50
ea



Nudie Nothing But Juice 2 Litre Varieties
\$3.00 per litre

\$6
ea

Carlsberg Green or Peroni Red Stubbies 330ml x 24 Pack



\$39.99
ea

Giesen Sauvignon Blanc 750ml Single Sell \$13.99 each



2 for \$25

Multi Buy

Moskovskaya Vodka 700ml



\$31.99
ea



BEEF SHASHLIKS
Single Sell \$3.50ea

2 for \$6

Multi Buy



\$13
pack

\$12
pack



SMALL COFFEE & FOCACCIA

\$8
per serve

Michael's Café

PRICE FREEZE

Specials available from Wed 18th to Tues 24th January 2023 . While Stocks Last.

We reserve the right to correct printing errors. Images are for illustration purposes only.

Michael's IGA Liquor supports the responsible service and consumption of alcohol.

Find us on Facebook



Inverloch Surf Lifesaving Club environment officer Warren Cook says community consultation is good but the time for action to save Inverloch's Surf Beach is now.

Rock wall can save Inverloch

From page 1

"Personally, I'd like to see the rock wall extended all the way along the beach, from where it is now to Point Norman, and three groynes constructed to reduce the impact of the tidal flow and storm surges, catching and retaining more of the sand.

"I think you'll find that the sand will build up again."

Speaking on ABC Radio this week, Mr Cook said there was still a risk that Inverloch would lose its surf beach unless major works were funded and undertaken as a matter of urgency.

Such an outcome, he said, would be a catastrophe for the town and its economy.

"Consultation is good, but it has been going on for three years now. It's time for action," he said.

A former member of the stakeholders group engaged in the Cape to Cape Resilience Project, Mr Cook was one of a number of community representa-

tives who resigned over lack of action.

"They lost some good people there."

Mr Cook said the project team and the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action needed to release the full suite of reports and produce an implementation plan that could be funded immediately before beach and dune erosion resumed at its previously highly damaging rate.

At present the Cape to Cape project team is conducting an extensive community engagement program on what to do next.

They've staged several pop-up engagement opportunities and are also asking people to respond to an online survey about the actions they'd like to see, while asking several key questions involving the impact of climate change/sea level rise in the future.

Survey responses must be received by February 26, 2023 at <https://engage.vic.gov.au/project/cape-cape-resilience-project/>

survey/

Some of the questions include:

- How would you feel about moving the Inverloch Surf Life Saving Club over time, if it meant we could continue having a sandy beach at Inverloch?
- How would you feel about moving roads and services if it meant we could continue having a sandy beach at Inverloch?
- How would you feel about moving private properties out of at-risk areas over time, if it meant we could continue having a sandy beach at Inverloch?
- How would you feel about moving the Bunurong Road, if it meant we could continue having a sandy beach at Inverloch?

There are also questions for those concerned about erosion in and around Anderson Inlet, including:

- Thinking about Andersons Inlet, how would you feel about moving private properties out of at-risk areas over time?

POLICE BRIEFS

Ram raids across Bass Coast

JANUARY 15 – Police are investigating three burglaries at businesses in Bass Coast.

It's believed approximately 10 offenders have attempted to force entry to IGA in Wonthaggi about 2am, but were disturbed by a passer-by.

The offenders have then travelled in two vehicles to IGA on Marine Parade in San Remo where a vehicle was used to gain entry to the store.

The offenders then travelled to IGA on Thompson Avenue in Cowes and another ram raid was conducted.

The vehicles are described as a white Mercedes and a silver Subaru and are believed to be stolen.

The Subaru was also involved in a petrol drive off at Ampol Bass around 3.22am.

The Mercedes was located dumped in Springvale on Sunday night.

No arrests have been made at this stage and the investigation is ongoing.

Late night dip

JANUARY 14 – A female entered the pool at Park Lane Holiday Park in Wonthaggi at 1.45am.

Shortly after other parties unknown to the female entered the pool area, where a conversation took place between the female and a male.

The male became aggressive and punched the female victim causing her tooth to become loose.

A relative came to the victim's aid but was also struck by the male offender.

The offender was located and interviewed at Wonthaggi Police Station for recklessly causing injury and released pending inquiries.

Altercation over alcohol

JANUARY 13 – Two males were waiting outside North Pier in Cowes for their friend when they were approached by two male offenders. An altercation followed over an alcoholic beverage with the offender producing a 20cm long knife and lacerating the victim when he reached for his drink back.

The male victims removed themselves from the situation and were collected by a friend thereafter.

Investigations are ongoing at Cowes Police Station (5952 2037).

Police targeting quarries

JANUARY 12 – MULTIPLE vehicles and motorbikes gained entry between midnight and 10am to Pittsburgh Sand and Gravel Grantville where they proceeded to use an excavator to build a ramp allowing access to Holcim Quarry next door.

Whilst nil damage was caused to the excavator, Police are targeting areas around quarries due to ongoing issues.

San Remo Police Station (5678 5500) are investigating the incidence.

Juvenile assaults at Guide Park

JANUARY 11 – A male juvenile victim was approached by two males and four females at the Guide Park, Wonthaggi at 1pm.

The victim and his friends got up to leave and winked at the male offender. The offender has thrown a right hook and hit the victim on the left side of his head.

The parties are unknown to each other, and the investigation is ongoing.

Attempted burglaries in Inverloch

JANUARY 10 – An intruder was caught attempting to break into a private shed along The Crescent at 3.35am.

JANUARY 8-9 – There was no luck for burglars at Southern Bazaar on Cashin Street with offenders unable to gain access after trying to break into several doors.

Police are urging property owners to be vigilant, and ensure their belongings are appropriately secured to deter would-be thieves.

Two car collision on Phillip Island Road

A TWO-car collision blocked both lanes along Phillip Island Road on Thursday, January 12. No persons were trapped, but it's understood a female in her 60's noted back and leg pain and a male in his 50's was treated for breathing difficulties.

Officers engaging locals in Leongatha

LEONGATHA police are out and about throughout January engaging with local retailers and the public, discussing business and personal security.

If you have any concerns, you are encouraged to approach the local Leongatha members who will be walking the streets, and more than happy to hear from you.

Stolen vehicle recovered

A WHITE Holden Commodore sedan was recovered on January 10 by police after being stolen in the days prior from RACV Resort Inverloch.

A member of the public noted an individual sleeping in the vehicle on a vacant property on Worthy Street, Leongatha and alerted police.

Upon arrival to investigate, the alleged thief fled the scene on foot taking off through the K-Hub laneway and into the ALDI carpark before jumping residential fences and evading police.

The individual is described as a thin, caucasian male with short bushy/curly dark hair wearing dark shorts. At the start of the pursuit the individual was wearing a black tank top, but this was abandoned, and the male proceeded topless.


Anyone with information, including CCTV and dash cam footage around 9.20am on January 10 between the locations noted or nearby are urged to contact Inverloch Police on 5674 1202 or Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.



LIGHTIQUE
LIGHTS • FANS
LIGHTING DESIGN

Wide selection
of outdoor
lighting options

WONTHAGGI 5672 3798
& COWES 5932 0776



**Wonthaggi
Removals**

AND STORAGE

**BUSINESS
FOR SALE**

Contact Russell or Alan

Phone: 5672 3773
www.wonthaggi removals.com

EXCESS WASTE?

**Permanent
waste
solutions**

Call the commercial and residential waste specialists today!

Locally owned and operated



 **HEEL-A-WASTE**
pty ltd

accounts@wheelawaste.com
www.wheelawaste.com.au
5672 2056

CONTENTS

Entertainment	25
Puzzles	27
Real Estate	28-31
Farming	34-37
Trades & Services	38-39
Classifieds	40-44

FEATURES

Bass Coast Summer Agricultural Show	18-19
Holiday Activities	23
Automotive Guide	26
Beef Week	32-34

CONTACT

WONTHAGGI OFFICE:	47 McBride, Avenue, Wonthaggi, VIC, 3995 (03) 5672 1888
LEONGATHA OFFICE:	36 McCartin Street, Leongatha, VIC, 3953 (03) 5655 1422
OFFICE HOURS:	Monday-Friday 9am-5pm
EMAIL:	EDITORIAL & LETTERS news@sgst.com.au ADVERTISING ads@sgst.com.au ACCOUNTS accounts@sgst.com.au
MANAGING DIRECTOR:	Michael Giles michael@sgst.com.au
OPERATIONS MANAGER:	Jim Akers jim@sgst.com.au
EDITOR:	Nick Sinis news@sgst.com.au
ADVERTISING MANAGER:	Holly McMaster holly@sgst.com.au

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

DISPLAY:	Advertising closes at 3pm on Fridays
CLASSIFIEDS:	Advertising closes at 12.30pm on Mondays
The South Gippsland Sentinel-Times is published on Tuesdays.	
*Please note changes occur as a result of public holidays.	

ONLINE

sgsentineltimes
@sentineltimes







www.sgst.com.au

Produced and published by Michael Giles, of 47 McBride
Avenue, Wonthaggi for South Eastern Newspapers Pty. Ltd. A.B.N.
30 005 353 168. Printed by Express Print, 5 Jones Road, Morwell.
Registered by Australia Post Publication No. VAC 336188/00002.

AC0331-V3

6 Day
Weather
Forecast

SOUTH
GIPPSLAND

					
TUE Jan 17 Sunny. Wind AM: Light Wind PM: N-NE 15-20km/h 17° 32°	WED Jan 18 Showers. Wind AM: Light Wind PM: NW-SW 15-25km/h 17° 22°	THUR Jan 19 Cloudy. Wind AM: SW 20-25km/h Wind PM: S-SE 15-25km/h 13° 21°	FRI Jan 20 Partly cloudy. Wind AM: Light Wind PM: E-SE 15-25km/h 12° 24°	SAT Jan 21 Partly cloudy. Wind AM: Light Wind PM: E 15-25km/h 13° 26°	SUN Jan 22 Mostly sunny. Wind AM: Light Wind PM: SE 15-20km/h 14° 26°

IN BRIEF

Aquathon back
for summer

THE Cape Aquathon is back this weekend with plenty of competitors expected to push themselves to the limit. The race begins at First Surf beach with a 400m surf swim. Swimmers are then to head up the stairs to the transition area and complete a 4.4km run around the township of Cape Paterson. Race details:

- The Cape Aquathon race start time is at 10am, January 22, 2023
- Registration from 8am to 9:30am
- Pre-Race meeting 9:45am at clubhouse
- Results and presentations will commence 90 minutes after race finish
- Where: Cape Paterson Surf Lifesaving Club

For more information, www.basscoastseries.com.au/cape-paterson-aquathon

“Now and Then”
exhibition

THE Embroiderers Guild, Victoria - Leongatha Branch will be holding an exhibition of members embroidery, antique needlework and tools, quilts, class work and demonstrations. The event will be held on Saturday, January 21, 9.30am-4pm and Sunday, January 22, 9.30am-3pm at the Dakers Centre, Smith Street, Leongatha. Boutique items for sale. Devonshire tea and lunch available. Further information contact, Penny 043 7042 084 or Helen 0417 328 202

Motorcycle road
show coming
to Korumburra

THE Victorian Motorcycle Council (VMC) is holding a Road Show/Q&A Session in South Gippsland and anyone who rides a motorcycle is invited.

They welcome Graham Solomon, VMC Chair and Rob Salvatore VMC Deputy Chair to an open forum/discussion on:

- State of motorcycle road safety in Victoria
- Wire rope and other roadside barriers
- Mandatory PPE / Mandatory Hi Vis
- Reduction in road speed limits in regional areas
- “Motorcycle Safety Levy”: good/bad/use/misuse
- One licence, one TAC premium
- Helmet camera legality
- Road conditions / potholes
- SMIDSY – Sorry Mate, I Didn’t See You

Where: The Austral Hotel, 34 Bridge Street, Korumburra, upstairs
When: Saturday, January 21, 11 am - 12.30pm (Stay for lunch afterwards at own expense)
Book: The group would love to have you join us for this first session, but are limited to 20 places. Please advise John to save your place – SMS: 0400 895 317

Tai Chi in Inverloch

LEARN Tai Chi to improve muscle strength, flexibility, balance and fitness. Improve heart and lung function and assist treatment of arthritis and many other conditions with this gentle exercise form. Trained by the Tai Chi for Health Institute, Heather runs classes in Inverloch on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. For more information or to book into a class please call Heather on 0412 463 344

Jail time and
licence suspension

A 43-YEAR-OLD male offender from Wonthaggi was sentenced to four months imprisonment at Korumburra Magistrates Court on December 12. The individual faced charges

for contravening a family violence intervention order, attempting to enter a private residence with the intent to assault a person therein, damaging property at the private residence, threatening to harm an individual, contacting a protected persons online and attempting an aggravated burglary whilst on bail. The court heard the offender spent 116 days in pre-sentence detention prior to the plea hearing. The individual was also fined and had their licence disqualified for 15 months, due to drink driving offences and received a 24-month community corrections order.

Out of control burn off
ignites nearby bushland

CFA responded to reports of a burn off out of control on Barry Road, Agnes at 1.55pm January 11. “Seventeen CFA trucks responded, supported by fire-fighting aircraft and plant equipment.” A spokesperson for CFA said. “The fire spread into nearby bushland and an advice message was issued, advising the community of smoke in the area. “Only 3ha were impacted, the scale of the response was due to the difficult terrain in the area. “The incident was deemed under control at 7.49pm with crews working through the night and into today, after discovering peat burning underground.”

Vicious assault on
electricity worker

POLICE are investigating a vicious assault on an electricity worker who was working alone in Buffalo North Road near the intersection of Boys Road on December 21. The incident occurred between 9am and 9.30am and appears to have followed a

minor accident, that ended up in the unnecessary and unacceptable assault of the victim. Police are seeking witnesses or information relating to the incident. Those with information should contact Leading Senior Constable Jeff Stephens at Toora Police Station 5686 2485 or email jeffrey.stephens@police.vic.gov.au or Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.

Monitor releases
key report

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council received a copy of the final municipal monitor report last week. The report was compiled by Prue Digby who was appointed by the Victorian Government to monitor governance processes and Councillor conduct at South Gippsland Shire Council. The 12-month appointment was made following the dismissal of the previously elected Council and a period of Administration. Ms Digby’s report provided a positive endorsement for the new Council and stated that: “Council has made a significant effort to rebuild the community’s trust that the Council can provide good democratic leadership. Council has demonstrated that they are not only capable, but determined to, perform their statutory role effectively and provide good governance for the community of South Gippsland.” She ended the report by stating that she did not have “any recommendations for the Minister with respect to the future governance of South Gippsland Shire” and thanked the Councillors, Chief Executive Officer and staff for their cooperation and openness. The South Gippsland monitor report is available at: <https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/council-governance/independent-reports>

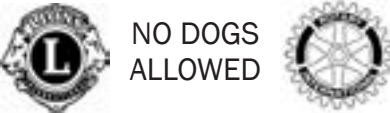
Promontory
Produce &
Craft Market

The biggest and best craft
market in Gippsland

FOSTER SHOWGROUNDS

SUNDAY,
JANUARY 22, 2023

Market Enquiries: 0439 033 960



SUMMER HOLIDAYS SALE

Pillows from
\$7.00
Made in Australia



Toys & Games
from
\$5.00



Leggings
from
\$10.00



Beach
balls
\$3.50



Crocs
Adult's **\$8.00**
Children's **\$5.00**



Always a
bargain at



FOOD | MANCHESTER
CLOTHING | FURNISHING
HOMEWARE | TOYS



209-213 Settlement Road, Cowes Ph: 5611 1999

Cook smarter not
harder with a
Thermomix®



Holly McMaster - 0402 175 955
linktr.ee/hollymcmasterthermomix
Thermomixing with Holly McMaster

Parks Victoria backs State Mine's future

VOLUNTEERS at Wonthaggi's State Coal Mine are worried.

The underground mine tours, which rely heavily on the volunteers, have been suspended.

They haven't recommenced since COVID and now the Wonthaggi State Coal Mine Café is set to close.

After five years of dedicated, 7 days-a-week service, the café lessee Vicki Emery is calling it a day.

Thanks Vicki!

It's not that her lease isn't being renewed, in fact Parks Victoria, which manages the State Coal Mine site, wants her to stay.

It's just time, after five years, to move on.

But there isn't a new lessee in place, we are told, and Parks Victoria hasn't even advertised for a new lessee.

So, what happens after January 25?

Visits to the mine go on and, according to Parks Victoria, they're looking at recommencing the underground tours and the best option for the café.

Here's what they had to say:

- Parks Victoria is currently considering future options for the café area.
- The Visitor Centre and souvenir shop will remain open.
- Parks Victoria is currently investigating the feasibility of recommencing underground tours.
- There is still plenty to see and do at the State Coal Mine with above ground tours available, open grassy areas for family picnics, an onsite museum telling stories from the mine's operational days, an information centre with a 3D model of the mine and a mini village to explore to build an understanding of historical living conditions.



The underground mine tours have been suspended since COVID, now the Wonthaggi State Coal Mine Café is closing... but Parks Victoria has backed the future of Wonthaggi's State Coal Mine.

Take balcony safety seriously

BEFORE locals with balconies enjoy summer with friends and family, they need to make sure it's safe first.

The Victorian Building Authority's (VBA) State Building Surveyor Andrew Cialini said balconies can be a serious safety risk if not properly built and maintained.

"Timber balconies can be impacted by insect attack and decay, while concrete balconies can be made unsafe when concrete cracks and flakes or when reinforcement corrodes, often due to moisture," he said.

It is important to be aware of the load capacity or total mass your deck or balcony is designed to carry.

Homeowners should consult the original specifications if they have access to them or have a structural engineer or registered building practitioner conduct an assessment.

Warning signs to check for include puddles of water at the base of posts, puddles of water on the deck or balcony surface, rotting or loose balustrades and loose or rusted brackets and bolts, cracked concrete or signs of leaning, cracked or weak mortar in brick structures and dislodged brickwork/masonry.

Most well-maintained timber balconies should last for at least 20 years, and a well-maintained concrete balcony should last for 40 to 50 years.

Anyone wanting to replace or build a new balcony or deck must apply for a building permit and have the balcony appropriately designed and using registered practitioners.

For more information about keeping your balcony, deck or balustrade safe, visit the VBA website



The Wishing Well was beautifully made by members of Korumburra Men's Shed who joined Sunday's dedication and barbecue. C86_0323



Junior firefighter-in-the-making, Savannah Maskell kicked off the dedication dropping coins into the depths below. C88_0323

Remembering those who served at Kongwak

COOLER weather made for the perfect start to the day on Sunday as members from Kongwak and District Fire Brigade, supported by members from other local brigades, coordinated the official dedication of the new Wishing Well outside the station.

Installed last year, the wishing well serves as a place for anyone to reflect on the effects of fire on their lives or the community.

Near on 80 members originally came together to create Kongwak's brigade many years ago and in the last two years, three long serving members have sadly passed away.

"With 76 members originally, we would have the whole front of the building individually dedicated," Captain, Tony Reade opened.

"Common sense prevailed, and a wishing well was built...

"Korumburra Men's Shed did an excellent job and it will serve as a memorial to all past and present members.

"We represent the community, we protect the community; we're not superman, but we do a job because our community needs us."

Tony also touched on local brigades proudly supporting each other in times of need before handing over to CFA State Chaplin, Akhil Gardner for the official dedication.

"It's an honour and privilege to be here sharing this with you and remembering what CFA is all about," Akhil said before leading with the Fireman's Prayer.

In dedicating the wishing well, he continued.

"Hear our prayers as we dedicate this well to the memory of those past and those who will continue to serve into the future.

"May this be a remembrance that inspires..."



CARING FOR SAM'S CHILDREN

Please support the fundraiser for Sam Fraser's children, to help cover the cost of their care and education. To donate, go to gofund.me/b6e777cb, or search gofundme.com for "Caring for Sams Children".



BASS COAST RUBBISH REMOVAL
BIN HIRE

abn 40 917 166 768

2,3,4,6 & 8m³ skip bins

Perfect for garden clean ups and general rubbish removal

Phone Doug McRae 0412 088 454

affordability ★ service ★ reliability

WATERPROOF UNDER YOUR DECK
and turn the area into useable space all year round



UNDERDECK

Call 0417 591 113 for your local distributor
E: huntersales@netspace.net.au
www.underdeck.com.au





now's the time to order plantation shutters

FREE measure + quote

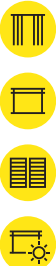
dollar curtains + blinds

value in every dollar

a stylish solution perfect for indoors or outdoors

dc+b Wonthaggi

21 Murray St, Wonthaggi
Ph. 5672 2915



dollarcurtainsandblinds.com.au

Mayor's message



Cr Michael Whelan



IT has been a very happy new year for many Bass Coast businesses enjoying the huge influx of visitors to our beautiful region. It sets us on the path to a prosperous 2023.

The Inverloch late-night trading event was very well received by both the businesses and the community. The working group of businesses that lead the event are now planning how they can make the night even bigger and better next year.

It was the first time Cowes did the late-night trading and while only a couple of businesses were involved due to the short planning time, but those involved were happy to be trying something new and getting involved in something bigger as part of the retail precinct and keen to do it again.

Council has also been in discussion with Cowes businesses about getting on board early to organise a 2023 Cowes late-night trading night.

And it's not just small businesses enjoying a cracking start to 2023.

The Phillip Island Penguin Parade's 2500 nightly capacity has been booked out from December 23 through to January 10.

Our tourism economy in the biggest employer in the region and we need it to be successful which is why the Council is always looking at ways to add new accommodation options and encourage public and private investment in new and current destinations to enhance the visitor experience.

Our vacancy mapping shows an occupancy rate of 96.2% in San Remo, Cowes and Inverloch which tells us that accommodation businesses are being run off their feet, with flow on business for hospitality and retailers.

There are many reasons to visit the Rhyll Community Twilight Market on January 20 between 4 and 7pm and it is a great opportunity to learn more about electric vehicles and solar.

The event is hosted by Totally Renewable Phillip Island, Rotary and the Rhyll Twilight Community Market and you will be able to chat with local EV owners (cars, E Bikes, E Motorbikes) and have a look at their vehicles at the market.

Information Sessions will run in the Rhyll Hall:

- 5pm - 'ALL ABOUT EVs' - speaker Bryce Gaton
- 6pm - Council's plan to develop shire-wide EV Charing network - speaker Christian Slattery
- 6.15pm - Q&A with Bryce Gaton, Christian Slattery, John Lovell and Sarah Disher



Gridlock around the Graham Street/Billson Street roundabout has been a frustrating problem this summer holidays but what can be done about it?

Wonthaggi gridlock or safer driving?

MORE than 10,000 people responded to a social media post at the weekend, raising questions about traffic congestion in Wonthaggi, and 140 people left their comments.

Many of them uncomplimentary.

Here's the question we posed in response to a high level of local interest:

"How is Wonthaggi's CBD traffic flow working for you, especially around the main roundabout (Graham/Billson Strs)?"

Top comments included:

- **Anna Brayley:** It's a bit of a mess, with people crossing the road in between the crossings, cars entering the roundabouts when they're already banked up on all sides. I try to avoid the main street as much as possible.
- **Sandi Karley:** Terrible. Like all major developments in the town, it's not been well planned or thought out. It's always a reactive response that causes more problems long term.

• **Joy Phillips:** Some smart educated person designed a nightmare which cost a fortune to do. It's not good.

• **Jake Kuyper:** They have ruined it completely. I can't even get out of my driveway on Graham Street sometimes.

• **Sue Baker:** Wonthaggi is getting bigger and busier. However, I don't think the holidays are the best time to judge the traffic. And I don't think the new pedestrian crossings are the problem. It's the sheer volume at the moment. Ask again, if you have to, after school goes back.

• **Cheree Dodson:** We avoid Wonthaggi for shopping as there is more congestion and the traffic changes have made it more like Melbourne. Leongatha is a nicer spot to shop.

But not everyone is displeased with the situation.

"It's busier than ever in Wonthaggi and finding a park was always difficult at this time of the year, but at least we haven't

had three cars written off up this end of Murray Street like we did last summer."

That's the view of local retailer, Fiona Fleming, who has a good view of the action from her premises at the Wonthaggi Newsagency.

"I don't mind that it's slowed the traffic down and at least people can get across Billson Street to the medical centre now.

"It's probably not ideal at busy times, having to wait at the roundabout, but you've got to expect a bit of that at this time of the year. Be a bit patient and adjust your usual shopping drill.

"Go around a different way and maybe be prepared to park further away from the shop you want to go to or avoid the area if you can."

All agree, however, traffic congestion is a problem in Wonthaggi's shopping centre there are calls for another look at planning, getting heavy vehicles out of the main street, adding all day parking and developing a bypass. What do you think?

2023 the year for Guy Road pathway

WORKS for the Guy Road Shared Pathway project are expected to recommence this month. Here's where the project is at, according to Bass Coast Shire:

Concrete footpath

- The concrete footpath from Jamieson Street to Balcombe Street has been completed with the exception of areas where Telstra Pits require adjustment. Telstra will arrive on January 23, to make the necessary adjustments prior to the completion of the concrete.
- Tenby Point - Concrete footpath works will be undertaken from January 11 to 27, 2023.

Boardwalk

- Current works are being undertaken at the intersection of Guy Road and Argent Road. This is the final section of the boardwalk.

Gravel pathway

- The pathway between Jamieson Street and Brick Kiln Road is almost complete.

The Guy Road Shared Pathway, expected to be completed in March, will be a six-kilometre-long, 2.5-metre-wide shared cycling and walking link between the Corinella Community Centre to the Bass Valley Primary School and Children's Centre, via Tenby Point. The pathway will link into existing pathways connecting to the Bass Highway in one direction and Coronet Bay in the other.

Cultural centre on track

THE Cowes cultural and community centre is due for completion in the second half of 2023.

Construction works are underway again after the new year holiday break to prioritise this year's deadline.

Bass Coast Shire confirmed for the month of January the following works will occur:

- Commence install of mass timber structure
- Prep and pour plant deck level 2
- Continue structural steel stage
- Continue framing stage 1 and 2
- Continue roofing stage 1 and 2
- Continue brick work and feature stair wall
- Commence rough in

The redevelopment of the project was designed to meet the demand for cultural, artistic and community programs and services on Phillip Island, with the ground floor inclusive of but not limited to a new library, museum, and theatre - accommodating local dance schools and theatre group performances.

The first floor has integrated offices, Genealogy Society, board room and meeting room.

For further information on the community project visit www.engage.bass-coast.vic.gov.au

STEP UP TO CLEAN UP

SUNDAY
5
MARCH

Clean Up



REGISTER or DONATE

cleanup.org.au



The new Newhaven Kindergarten at Newhaven Primary School will be ready and open for term one. Managed by Y Kinders. Z05_0223

New kinder almost ready in Newhaven

IN TERM one of 2023, Newhaven Kindergarten at Newhaven Primary School will be in operation. Spokesperson for the Department of Education and Training said the new kindergarten service will be managed by Y Kinders – now one of the largest early years management providers in Victoria. Newhaven Kinder will be a two-room centre, providing 66 kindergarten places and will open into an outdoor learning and

play space, and having the centre built at Newhaven Primary School will help children with a smooth transition into primary school and make drop-off simpler for some families. The modular construction began off-site and was delivered onsite to Newhaven in term four of 2021, with final works underway to prepare for the February 2023 opening. The funding for this project was in the 2019-

2020 budget and shared in the \$283 million allocated over four years for three-year-old kindergarten. The State Government has invested to deliver a full 15 hours of four-year old kinder and 15 hours for three-year-old kinder over the next decade. State Member for Bass, Jordan Crugnale said having a new kinder on Phillip Island attached to the primary school means it's a smoother transition

to school and families will also save up to \$2500 per child per year which helps with the cost-of-living pressures. Bass Coast Shire Council look forward to working with the YMCA and local families in their kindergarten journey. For any queries on kinder registration, the Bass Coast team are available to assist on 03 5671 2211 or 1300 BCOAST (226 278), or via email to kinder@basscoast.vic.gov.au.

Christmas hamper success

SEVENTY-FIVE hamper adorned Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House in the build up to Christmas as much needed donations arrived from local supermarkets and community members. Festive family hampers, stocked with a range of non-perishable goodies, filled most bags, with an extra donation of 15 hampers filled with a 'Christmas Meal in a Bag'. Wonthaggi Primary School assisted prior to the holiday break donating unopened Breakfast Club produce, that helped fill the hampers and regular food pantry on the verandah. "Working alongside the primary school was a good way of letting people know about the hampers, and families who have been doing it tough reached out," Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre manager, Leslie Adams noted. "Prior to Christmas we also had three trolleys donated by Woolworths of non-perishables that had been donated by their customers that carried us through the Christmas and New Year period. "Lovely jars of coffee and nice biscuits, festive foods, goods that we don't usually see were donated and were really appreciated."

Alongside her fellow Neighbourhood Centre peer, Nikki, the pair would take it in turn checking supplies in the pantry on the verandah, topping up (often multiple times a day) ensuring those in need continued to receive supplies even whilst the Centre was closed. And whilst the festive non-perishables may have been depleted, and goods have returned to normal, there remains a continual need with donations always warmly welcomed. People with vegetable gardens are also reminded that they are welcome to drop in surplus... The next Community Lunch will be held on January 25. Families and individuals who may be struggling are also welcomed to pop inside and ask if additional meals are available. "After our community lunches we often have leftovers that are divided up and frozen, which are available. We also received a large delivery of bread on Friday too. "We would not be able to assist without the community's and holiday makers' donations – they are very much appreciated. And thank you also to Woolworths and Coles who gave items for the hampers alongside members of the community and Harvest Centre."

QUINTREX BOATS IN STOCK NOW



QUINTREX 420 BUSTA
Yamaha F40LA 4 Stroke Alloy Trailer **\$19,990 TOW AWAY**



QUINTREX 430 FISHABOUT
Yamaha F50LB 4 Stroke Alloy Trailer with Brakes **\$35,500 TOW AWAY**



QUINTREX 450 FISHABOUT
Yamaha F60LB 4 Stroke Alloy Trailer with Brakes **\$39,490 TOW AWAY**



QUINTREX 481 FISHABOUT
Yamaha F70LB 4 Stroke Alloy Trailer with Brakes **\$47,900 TOW AWAY**



QUINTREX 420 RENEGADE SC
Yamaha F50LB 4 Stroke Alloy Trailer with Brakes **\$34,750 TOW AWAY**



QUINTREX 440 RENEGADE SC
Yamaha F60LB 4 Stroke Alloy Trailer with Brakes **\$39,900 TOW AWAY**



BOATS, MOTORS, TRAILERS, SALES, SERVICE & PARTS

29-31 Bear Street, Inverloch, VIC 3996 | (03) 5674 1502 | After Hours: 0417 592 169
sales@inverlochmarine.com.au | www.inverlochmarine.com.au

Proposed supermarket could ‘kick start growth’ in Nyora

AMENDED plans for a \$4.2M development in Nyora including a supermarket have been lodged with South Gippsland Shire.

The proposal seeks to establish a supermarket, shops, food and drink premises at 29-31 Davis Street, Nyora. Site plans include:

- Four shops, with a combined floor area in the order of 386sqm) adjacent to the Davis Street frontage to activate the commercial streetscape / frontage area.
- Three shops (285sqm) and a food and drink premises (95sqm) along the northern laneway to activate the Davis Street / laneway interface.
- A 1365sqm supermarket behind the shops with vehicle and pedestrian access provided from the northern laneway to a formalised car parking area at the rear. This includes a loading dock to the south and a 284sqm back-house area for the supermarket.
- A total of 98 on-site car parking spaces are accommodated (including two disabled spaces) at the rear of the site and adjacent to the northern laneway.

However, following a South Gippsland Shire meeting in June 2022, where concerns were raised about the access arrangement / reliance on the laneway, it was requested that further consideration be given to modifying the site layout to enable a one-way circulation of the vehicles (including 19m trucks) around the building.

- The amended plans now include:
- 90-degree car parking along the south boundary.
 - A 7.4m wide “entry” accessway from Davis Street south of the proposed building.
 - Trucks and car egress via the existing laneway to the north to Davis Street.

Gippsland tourism leading the state

DURING 2022, Gippsland showed strong signs of recovery after COVID by attracting the most visitors of any region in Victoria and expenditure hit an all-time high with over \$1.5 billion spent by visitors.

It was against that backdrop of success that Destination Gippsland announced that week that it had elected a new chair, Jan Fitzgerald, succeeding Nick Murray, who has retired from the board after serving a three-year term.

Ms Fitzgerald has diverse experience across corporate, not-for-profit and government sectors, with particular skills in governance, strategy, sustainability, finance and retail.

She has a holiday home at Metung and strong links to the region.

Overgrown roadsides causing concern

OVERGROWN roadside vegetation was believed to be a major factor in one recent road collision and has caused alarm for months.

Local road users are continuously demanding long grass be cut back in order to safely cross median strips and see around bends.

“It’s terrible,” Bass Coast Shire Councillor Brett Tessari said.

“The condition of the roads, the condition of the sides of the roads, the grass is so high in some spots that you can hardly see over it. I’m not surprised it nearly caused a (severe) accident and possibly will if it keeps going the way it is.”

As Nationals Candidate for Bass in last year’s State Election, Mr Tessari worked tirelessly demanding safer roads alongside Eastern Victoria MP Melina Bath and Member for Gippsland South Danny O’Brien.

“Roadside vegetation whether it is long grass or overhanging branches is a bugbear of many motorists, and a significant safety hazard,” Shadow Minister for Roads, Mr O’Brien stated.

“While much of our concern is about the surface of the roads, VicRoads could be doing more to clear vegetation from our roadside, but have no doubt been hamstrung by the last two years of road budget cuts under the Labor government.”

And whilst unseasonable rainfall has been blamed for the delay in mowing and acceleration in vegetation growth, drivers are convinced more could be done, especially on



Overgrown roadside vegetation is preventing clear lines of sight from side roads, across medium strips and around bends throughout Gippsland. C19_0323

major arterial roads if flexible barriers were not installed directly on the curb side.

“We currently have crews mowing along arterial roads in the South Gippsland and Bass Coast regions to reduce fire risk, maintain visibility at intersections, and ensure roadside signage and guideposts are visible in order to maintain the safe operation of the road,” Beth Liley, Regional director (Gippsland), Department of Transport and Planning stated.

“South Gippsland and Bass Coast have recently experienced above-average, unseasonable rainfall which accelerated vegetation growth, and directly impacted our mowing program towards the end of last year - as the ground was too wet for our mowing crews to gain access.

“The duplicated section of the Bass Highway was mowed last week, and we will continue to progress further along other arterial roads in the

coming weeks.”

An additional \$5.6 million has been allocated to cleaning up the state’s road network on top of Regional Roads Victoria’s (RRV) routine maintenance budget, with \$2.5 million of this funding allocated to roadside mowing, slashing and spraying in regional Victoria.

On average RRV mow, slash and spray 45,000km of roadside vegetation every year when the conditions are right - in regional areas across Victoria, the grass must be cured and dormant.

“We’re already working closely with CFA, DEECA and local councils to prepare for fire season so we can respond quickly to any areas identified as high fire risk by increasing our grass cutting maintenance.

“In addition, RRV responds to any identified hazards, including vegetation, as required at all times throughout the year.”

The community can report

roadside hazards at any time by phoning RRV’s dedicated maintenance hotline on 133 778

Bass Coast Shire also issued a statement on the situation.

“Council and Regional Roads Victoria manage the vegetation adjacent to the public road network on an ongoing basis,” a council spokesperson said.

“This is done through the roadside grass slashing, tree inspection and triaged pruning program, to achieve the service standards of Council’s Road Management Plan 2022 and Regional Roads Service Levels.

“Due to an abnormally wet growing season, grass growth has been greater than previous years. For the road network Council manages, we continue to address this high workload in accordance with road hierarchy and appropriate risk management assessments.”

O’Brien looking to keep government in check

MEMBER for Gippsland South Danny O’Brien congratulated Labor on its recent success in the Victorian election, calling for it to support important Gippsland projects that the Nationals had committed to carry out had they won.

While acknowledging Labor’s mandate, he said strong support for the Nationals in Gippsland South was an endorsement of the projects they committed to.

“These include fixing Leongatha’s dangerous ‘Kamikaze Corner’, a new stadium for Mirboo North and a rebuilt Foster Primary School,” Mr

O’Brien said.

A new overtaking lane on the South Gippsland Highway at Toora and funds for upgrades at Korumburra-Bena Football Netball Club and Waratah Beach Surf Lifesaving Club are other initiatives he is calling for.

Mr O’Brien said he would be lobbying the government for funding for these projects and many more, holding the Premier to his commitment to “govern for all Victorians”.

“If the Premier is to be true to his word, then Gippsland should miss out no longer; while city megaprojects have received billions under this

government, it’s time for these important local projects to get their fair share,” Mr O’Brien said.

“I will also be working with the Government to ensure it delivers on the few commitments made to the Gippsland South electorate, including a revamp for Leongatha Secondary College and a new Yarram fire station.”

RIGHT: The Nationals Member for Gippsland South, Danny O’Brien, says he will fight hard in Parliament to ensure key local projects are supported by the state government.



WWW.ACE-INDUSTRIAL.COM.AU • Bearings • Power Transmission • Fasteners • Industrial Supplies

WARRAGUL 13 Endeavour Street - Phone: 03 5623 4444 LEONGATHA 38 Yarragon Road - Phone: 03 5662 3100

FLEXIGUN®

10 YEARS WARRANTY

\$139 inc GST

BEST SELLER

450G GREASE GUN K29-01

- Delivery pressure up to 68,900kPa (10,000psi)
- Up to 0.68g per shot
- Maximum grease viscosity up to NLGI no.2
- 300mm flexible extension and KY Supergrip coupler

10 YEARS WARRANTY

\$119 inc GST

450G GREASE GUN K45-01

- Delivery pressure up to 82,750kPa (12,000psi)
- Up to 1.5g per shot
- Maximum viscosity up to NLGI no.2
- 150mm rigid extension and KY Supergrip coupler

KY+ LOAD&LUBE 2/PET/CFR/31 COUPLER

2 YEARS WARRANTY

KY+ SAFETY GREASE COUPLER KYPLUS-01

- 1/8" BSP (F) thread type

KYPLUS-02

- 1/8" NPT (F) thread type

\$45 inc GST

\$99 inc GST

GREASE FITTING UNBLOCKER GFU

- Grease fitting unblocker is used to clear clogged grease nipples and to loosen hardened grease joints. Uses light oil as a lubricating agent.

FUEL TANKS

15 YEARS MACNAUGHT WARRANTY

5 YEARS MACNAUGHT WARRANTY

TANKS PUMPS

POLY DIESEL TANK

MDT200L & MDT400L

- Flow rate up to 40LPM
- 12V Electric diesel pump kit Automatic Nozzle

\$1370 inc GST

\$1690 inc GST

- 4m long delivery hose
- Lockable lid
- Dimensions:
MDT200L - 800L x 680W x 710H
MDT400L - 1150L x 820W x 780H

Kilcunda ‘lifestyle’ property sells for \$1.9 million

REAL estate agents might have to reassess the value of other rural and lifestyle properties close to the coast, in Bass Coast and South Gippsland, after 7.3 hectares (18 acres) sold at auction last Saturday, January 14.

Other details they might like to factor in is that while there were reportedly three people keen to buy the property, located on the fringe of Kilcunda, effectively only one person bid on the day.

Greg Price of Alex Scott and Staff was the auctioneer at the 12 noon sale, and he acknowledged the long-standing relationship between the vendors and the stock agency.

“I would like to thank the Hart family for favouring us in offering this beautiful 18 and a half acres here today, ladies and gentlemen. Alan Hart was a local legend, particularly to Alex Scott and Staff, but in the district, a very, very well-known livestock man and agent who had a long history with Alex Scott and Staff as manager, and later remained as an agent right up until the time of his death (in June 2022).

“And it’s indeed a very special day for the Hart family and a very special day for Alex Scott and Staff here today,” he said, offering the property on behalf of a deceased estate.



An 18-acre lifestyle property, ‘Sunnyside’, located at 85 Ridgway Road, Kilcunda, is knocked down by Alex Scott auctioneer Greg Price for \$1.9 million with Wonthaggi Alex Scott Manager Phil Hanley and CEO Paul Dunlop in attendance.

Mr Price went on to say the property, in view of the historic Kilcunda trestle bridge and the magnificent coast, was being offered for the first time in 60 years.

“All the focus is on Bass Coast, why the traffic is streaming in here today, because we have some of the best beaches in Victoria, only one traffic light away from the eastern suburbs of Melbourne.

“The fact is that Melbourne is getting closer to Bass Coast every day. It’s why we have a magnificent new hospital in Wonthaggi, and why so many people are moving here,” he said.

Mr Price underscored

why it was important, in the event the property was passed in, to at least be the final bidder on the day, but he needn’t have been concerned, despite opening the auction with a “vendor’s bid” of \$1.7 million.

There followed a bid of \$1.725m and the auction was off and running.

There were some bids backwards and forwards between Mr Price and one keen purchaser but after conferring with the representatives of the Hart estate, he declared the property was on the market at \$1.875m.

Quick as a flash the bidder came back with the

knockout blow of \$1.9 million, and it was ultimately sold at that price.

As well as the 18 acres, the property at 85 Ridgway Road, Kilcunda features a well maintained 2-bedroom brick home with coastal views and an established garden, there’s farm shedding and stock handling facilities and the opportunity to take over a waterways lease.

Approximately 30 people attended the auction, many of them local landowners keen to hear the latest assessment of farm and coastal lifestyle property values. They must have liked what they saw.

Debate over 59-lot subdivision

PHILLIP Island residents appear to be divided over a 59 lot subdivision planned for 273-297 Church Street, Cowes.

The application, now live for viewing on Bass Coast Shire’s website, proposes a residential development on a 3.659-hectare property.

According to a report lodged with the shire, this would see a residential yield of approximately 16 lots per hectare, with 59 standard and medium density lots having an average size of 388m².

The site is located on the south side of Church Street and the east side of the unmade Bellavista Road.

The application had received 19 objections as of last week, but it attracted a significant amount of attention on social media via the Phillip Island Community Notice Board.

Some users were strongly in favour of it, commenting:

“I’m on 360m² in Rhyll. Love it...easy to manage. Awesome little community and very appealing. Nothing wrong with it. I see this development as an awesome opportunity for the younger home buyer and also for an investor to house the huge list of tenants looking for homes,” one user said.

“I think this estate looks good. Some blocks around 500m² and the

smaller ones are a bit over 302. Excellent sizes for young people trying to enter the property market and not be in a unit with body corporate. Have a look elsewhere and you’ll see this is the new normal,” another stated.

However, there were also plenty of rebuttals.

“An absolute disgrace if this is approved. Where is the allowance for vegetation, park area for children, amenities, the roadways are narrow and will not allow emergency vehicles or garbage trucks. Totally inconsistent with community standards and persons who support this are delusional. This is not what Cowes living standards are about.”

“How many will become holiday rentals and Airbnb? That’s why there’s a shortage of rentals at the moment. A lot of homeowners deciding not to do long term rentals. Our next door has been a long-term rental for the whole 8 years we’ve been on the Island, now it’s a holiday rental or BnB. Also, you already can hardly move on the roads at this time of the year, if they don’t plan major road upgrades it’s going to be bedlam with large housing estate proposals going forward.”

To view the application, visit www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/building-planning/advertised-planning-applications

BALD HILLS WIND FARM

Community Fund Invites Applications for its 2023 District and Small Grants

The Bald Hills Wind Farm Community Fund (BHWFCF) is inviting organisations with community projects benefiting the Tarwin Lower, Venus Bay and Walkerville districts to submit applications for its 2023 District and Small Grants. The District Grant, is a single grant valued at up to \$15,000 providing an exciting opportunity for a local organisation to develop a significant project to benefit the district community. Small Grants, which will be awarded up to the amount of \$2,000 per project, are designed to enable organisations to provide a benefit or service to the local community.

Previous grants have funded upgrades to infrastructure at the Tarwin Recreational Reserve, Mechanics Hall, Men’s Shed, Tarwin Lower Pony Club and Venus Bay Community Centre; mobility equipment for the Tarwin Lower and District Community Health Centre; medical equipment for the Venus Bay & District Community Emergency Centre and Tarwin Lower Mechanical Institute; IT resources and infrastructure improvements for the Tarwin Lower Primary School; arts projects such as the Venus Bay Water Tank Mural project and the Thirsty Works Gallery; and assistance to the Tarwin Wildlife Shelter, Watch for Wildlife and Community Bee Keeping.

Grant applications will be available from 5 December 2022 until the closing date of 5pm 14 April 2023.

The grant criteria and Application form are all available at <http://baldhillswindfarm.com.au/community-fund/>.



HM9928



FREE helmet with purchase of floor stock mini bikes

WONTHAGGI
MOTORCYCLES
AND POWER EQUIPMENT ///

48-52 Inverloch Rd, Wonthaggi
Phone: 5672 3500
wonthaggimotorcycles.com.au
LMCT 11534

Kawasaki



South Gippsland
Shire Council

South Gippsland Shire Council News

Australia Day Celebrations

Australia Day is coming up and there are a host of events happening to bring our community together.

We kick off with an Awards Ceremony to celebrate some of South Gippsland’s leading citizens on Wednesday 18 January at the Meeniyah Town Hall from 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome and it is a great opportunity for us all to acknowledge the fabulous work of those who love to put community first.

On Thursday 26 January there will be 10 community events occurring across South Gippsland.. From morning teas and BBQs to duck races on the river, you’ll be sure to find something to do.

After some pretty tough years for our community, it will be great to be back together and enjoying the company of others.

For information on all the events, please visit:
www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/AustraliaDay

South Gippsland Coastal Strategy



Consultation for the South Gippsland Coastal Strategy has now commenced. From Venus Bay to Port Welshpool, our coast is a treasured asset for locals and visitors of South Gippsland.

To ensure the Strategy reflects the views of the South Gippsland community, an extensive engagement process is underway. Ending on 31 January 2023, the engagement will include pop-ups at markets and festivals, an online survey and forums, written submissions and, we hope, many conversations amongst the community.

To find out more and to get involved, please visit: yoursay.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/coastal-strategy

REQUEST FOR TENDERS

Council is seeking submissions from qualified companies/applicants for the following:

RFT/343 – Retaining Wall Construction; Mirboo North Transfer Station
Closes Tuesday 31 January 2023.

RFT/351 – Design & Construct New Toilet Block; Baromi Park, Mirboo North
Closes Thursday 2 February 2023.

All tenders close at 2.00pm.
Documentation is available from Council’s e-Tendering Portal:
www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/tenders

IMPOUNDING OF VEHICLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989

Council impounded the following vehicle in accordance with Schedule 11 of the Local Government Act 1989 on 21 Dec 2022 from Markleys Road, Mirboo North.

Vehicle Details: 2000 Grey Ford Sedan
Registration Number: 1AY70Q
Engine Number: 6FPAAAJGWSWYC54788

Unless the vehicle is collected and relevant fees paid within fourteen (14) days of the date of this notice, the vehicle will be offered for sale to the public.

For enquiries, please contact Yvonne Constantine, Local Laws Officer on 5662 9200 during office hours.

SOUTH GIPPSLAND AUSTRALIA DAY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Last chance to get your entries in!

To enter submit a photo that fits the theme of ‘Australia Day: Reflect, Respect, Celebrate - We are all part of the story.’

There are two prize categories - an open category with an \$800 prize and junior category (under 15) with a \$200 prize.

For more information and to enter before Wednesday 18 January, please visit:
www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiadaycompetition

CONTACT US
9 Smith Street, Leongatha
03 5662 9200
www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au

Coal Creek's link to traditional trade

COAL Creek maintenance officer Paul Tivendale continues to further his knowledge and skills in the precise craft of the wheelwright, having gained experience during a UK trip late last year. Receiving the 2022 Palladio Fellowship through the International Specialised Skills Institute (ISSI) gave him the opportunity to travel overseas to work with experienced wheelwrights. Paul's \$8500 fellowship is for the Heritage Trades and Craft sector.

"I presented them with a proposal of my trade and what I wanted to learn," Paul said of how he received the ISSI funding. Wheelwrighting is the trade of making, repairing and conserving timber spoked wheels.

Paul is keen to eventually apply his wheelwrighting skills at Coal Creek. He noted wheelwrights are needed not only for horse drawn carriages and carts but for vintage cars that have wooden spoked wheels. Paul is still a relative newcomer to the trade, having been a cabinet maker and furniture maker before making the shift in 2017.

He has focused on creating ornamental wheels while he hones his craftsmanship, but is determined to make the move into functional wheels when he reaches the required skill level.

While Paul's cabinet making background gives him a good understanding of timber and its capabilities, there is still a lot to learn as a wheelwright.

Paul spent most of his five-week stay in the UK with three vastly experienced wheelwrights.

They are Doug Andrews, Greg Rowland, who was the Queen's warranted wheelwright at the time of her passing,



Wheelwright Tom Carroll, Paul Tivendale and Master Wheelwright Doug Andrews early in Paul's fellowship in the UK.

and Phil Gregson.

Paul worked on vintage car wheels with Doug.

He was delighted with that opportunity, not having much experience doing so.

"That was the main reason I got into wheelwrighting; my background is wood, but I have a passion for the automotive industry and I wanted to combine the two," Paul said.

Both Doug and Phil handshape every spoke, a contrast to the approach of most wheelwrights Paul has come across in Australia who tend to carry out that process by machine.

Greg, though, often makes spokes on a 'copy lathe' as he produces many similar items such as gun carriage sets.

While his UK trip ended in October, Paul is still undertaking requirements of the fellowship.

"I've got to do a report and then

disseminate my findings into the Australian industry, which in the wheelwrighting field is quite small," he said.

Paul is focused on how to grow the wheelwrighting industry in Australia.

"I'm finding there is still a decent number of people out there practising and doing the work, but there's no (official) body to bring everybody together that practises it or has knowledge," he said.

Paul contrasted that with the UK which has the 'Worshipful Company of Wheelwrights'.

He said that organisation expands people's knowledge of the trade and keeps it alive, running apprenticeships to ensure the correct methods are passed down.

Paul has been Coal Creek's maintenance officer since 2020 tackling a wide range of tasks.

Bright future at Coal Creek Community Park & Museum

COAL Creek Community Park & Museum's long-term future looks bright, with its team leader Kim O'Connell applying his passion and experience in organising large scale projects to rejuvenating the site and ensuring it becomes a major drawcard.

Getting trains rolling again at Coal Creek is a key goal, with train engineer brothers Rodney and Robert Reid already at work to help make that vision a reality.

Work has already been taking place to tidy up the park, including the removal of dangerous trees and spraying of weeds.

There are plans to clear weeds from its lake and watercourse in the near future and replace them with appropriate plants.

Engineers have also been commissioned to undertake assessment of 13 of the park's buildings to determine the overall condition of each.

That will enable decisions to be made on obtaining quotes for works, or carrying out further assessment depending on the outcomes for each building.

Obtaining an overall picture of what needs to be done at Coal Creek is crucial, Kim said.

He explained that the aim is to get the whole site into good condition, ensuring it can be well maintained, rather than relying on stop-gap repairs.

In order to achieve that aim, a strong understanding of what has to be done and the costs that will entail is needed.

That will enable efforts to secure funding from various sources, including grants.

The recent installation of a \$20,000 concrete workshop floor, and other improvements taking place there, demonstrates a strong commitment to the future, with the aim of creating a proper



Coal Creek Community Park & Museum's team leader Kim O'Connell is pleased with recent progress and looks forward to further improvements in the near future. A01_0323

workspace.

While fencing off the lower section of the park recently caused expressions of concern that the area would not reopen, Kim is keen to revitalise it.

Kim started at Coal Creek in August last year, having previously moved to Korumburra while still working on a major project in Collingwood.

He was the inaugural operations manager for 'Collingwood Yards', an ambitious \$20 million project that transformed the old Collingwood Technical School into an arts precinct incorporating 47 arts organisations.

Kim outlined why the chance to oversee the future of Coal Creek appealed.

"It was a really exciting opportunity, partly because of the passion of the community for Coal Creek; it was clear people held strong opinions about Coal Creek whether they were negative or positive," Kim said.

He added that many local families have a strong connection to the site, having family items displayed there.

"If I was going to make a permanent move to the country, this was an amazing way to get involved in the community," Kim said of his decision to apply for the Coal Creek role.

From the moment he became team leader there, Kim has focused on building a strong relationship with councillors and council staff, promoting Coal Creek's exciting potential.

While he hopes to add a blacksmith to the park to broaden its live onsite demonstrations, and is working to bolster volunteer numbers at Coal Creek, Kim is also keen to embrace the use of technology to create an engaging experience for visitors.

He sees potential for Coal Creek to function not only as an attraction in its own right but to promote South Gippsland as a whole.

Kim noted that the museum's extensive collection comes from across the South Gippsland region, not just Korumburra.

See more details at sgst.com.au

Mayor's Message



South Gippsland Shire Council



Cr Nathan Hersey

CELEBRATING our community is a key highlight of being a local Councillors at South Gippsland Shire.

With Australia Day coming up, there will be a host of events happening around South Gippsland where our community can come together. The events are coordinated by many hard-working community groups and supported by Council.

- Leongatha – Citizenship Ceremony, BBQ and Activities – McIndoe Park, Turner Street 8.30am to 10.30am.
- Kongwak – Australia Day Breakfast – Kongwak Public Hall 8.30am to 10.30am.
- Meenyan – Australia Day Breakfast Activities – Meenyan Hall 9am to 11am.
- Venus Bay – Australia Day Breakfast – Venus Bay Surf Lifesaving Club 9am to 12 noon.
- Mirboo North – Australia Day Celebration and Morning Tea – Walter J Tuck Recreation Reserve, Strzelecki Highway 10.30am.
- Welshpool – Australia Day Family Day – Welshpool Park 11am to 2pm.
- Mirboo North – Australia Day at the Pool – Mirboo North Pool 11am to 7pm.
- Tarwin Lower – Australia Day BBQ – Tarwin River Boat Ramp 12 noon to 2pm.
- Korumburra – Australia Day BBQ and Activities – Coleman Park 12.30pm to 3pm.
- Foster – Australia Day Celebrations – Outside the Museum, Main Street 1pm to 3pm.
- Dumbalk – Australia Day BBQ – Dumbalk Memorial Park 6pm to 9.30pm.

For more information on any of these events, please visit www.south-gippsland.vic.gov.au/australiaday

The Australia Day Awards Ceremony is being held on Wednesday 18 January 2023. This is a great opportunity to highlight the amazing contributions of some of our community members and fabulous events held throughout the previous year. All are welcome to attend from 6.30pm at the Meenyan Town Hall. Light refreshments will be provided.

Coastal Strategy

Two weeks remaining for public input on the South Gippsland Coastal Strategy Discussion Paper. To round out the engagement period, there will be four additional pop-ups held in Toora, Venus Bay, Tarwin Lower, and Stony Creek.

As there has been throughout the entire engagement period, you can also share your feedback and ideas at <https://yoursay.south-gippsland.vic.gov.au/coastal-strategy>

I encourage you to get involved, even if you don't live on the coast. We know our coastal areas are important to many in our community and as such, we need to hear from everyone. Our economic prosperity comes from all across our region, and that includes our coast.

Feedback on this closes Tuesday, January 31.

Fire Restrictions

Fire restrictions begin on Monday, January 16 at 1am. We have seen some extremely wet weather followed by days of sunshine, causing growth. This growth means the threat of fire is very real this season.

The CFA have some fantastic resources including detail on what to do and not to do during the fire danger period. You can find these at: www.cfa.vic.gov.au/can

Municipal Monitor's Report

The findings of our Municipal Monitor Ms Prue Digby, have been presented to the Minister for Local Government.

I'm proud to say that South Gippsland Shire has received excellent feedback and been commended for our approach, whilst serving the community through local government.

The report is further recognition for the work all Councillors have put in since day one to be strong and engaged representatives of the South Gippsland community. Councillors have made a commitment to serve others and actively engage with our community.

It also recognises the staff and the intensive induction program formulated for Councillors.

The importance of having strong relationships between Councillors and Council staff, ensuring all of us are passionate about serving South Gippsland cannot be understated.



Matt Dawson tries his hand at the new golf driving range at the Wonthaggi Golf Club. "Start with the clubs you need to work on," he said.

Wonthaggi's driving range open to all

THE Wonthaggi Golf Club has rolled out the "green carpet" at the local golf course, with the opening of a new golf driving range. The facility opened recently and has already been attracting a lot of players, members and visitors alike, practising their swings, going through their bag of clubs and measuring their distances.

It's been a real winner. President of the Wonthaggi Golf Club, Robbie Geyer, kept members and friends up to date with the development of the driving range on social media.

"We have cemented, artificially grassed the surface and installed bays for members and fee-paying players," Mr Geyer said.

"We will be starting a commercial operation to increase our financial stability and provide up-to-date facilities for golfers.

"Ball hire can be purchased at the reasonable rate of \$10 for a large bucket of 100 balls and \$5 for a small bucket of 45 balls." For insurance purposes, all people using the driving range must purchase range balls from the Golf Shop.

"It's open now and we've had quite a lot of people out there giving it a go," said Robbie Geyer.

"It's going well, and we'd certainly encourage anyone at all to come down and give it a try."

Mr Geyer said the club has purchased ball collecting equipment and collection of golf balls will be carried out every evening.

Fairway woods and irons are allowed on the range.

So, get out there and give it a go.

The club has set up the land available beside the first fairway for the driving range and it makes a great addition to the club.



Twenty-six cadets graduated in the first 317 ACU Wonthaggi parade on Tuesday, December 20. C02_0123

Graduation for Wonthaggi's first cadet unit



Cadet Mead-Sanchez is presented with his completion certificate. C01_0123

THE Australian Army Cadets (AAC) approved and opened their latest unit being 317 Army Cadet Unit (ACU) Wonthaggi based out of Wonthaggi North Primary School on August 1.

Captain (ACC) Clinton George Officer Commanding of 36 ACU Frankston and 317 ACU Wonthaggi has worked tirelessly with VIC ACC BDE HQ to raise a new unit.

317 ACU Wonthaggi currently has 26 new cadets and three staff. This unit has come under the direction and support of 36 ACU Frankston cadets and staff.

The 26 new cadets of 317 ACU Wonthaggi graduated on Tuesday night, December 20, after completing their six months recruit course, learning subjects such as Navigation, Engineering, First Aid, Drill, Team Building, Leadership, Signals Communications and also completing a training phase out in the bush.

Six of these cadets spent the last seven days of their training at the Puckapunyal Army base, completing a Junior Leaders Course, learning leadership, mentorship, enhancing skills already taught at unit level, teamwork, initiative and also including our corps values of Service, Courage, Respect, In-

tegrity and Excellence.

Being part of 317 ACU Wonthaggi and the Australian Army Cadets, young people are provided with excellent opportunities to develop individual self-esteem, leadership, initiative, teamwork and problem solving in a safe, challenging and fun environment, and are encouraged to embrace the values learned in both the unit and AAC, and to apply them to their everyday lives in order to be better citizens.

The AAC is a leading national youth development organisation that conducts its activities in a positive, safe and nurturing manner.

The Australian Army actively supports the Australian Army cadets to ensure they benefit from a military-like experience which emphasises the positive role Army has in the community.

The Australian Army Cadets accepts young people of all backgrounds and recruiting for 317 ACU will open on January 31 and close February 21.

Any person seeking to obtain information about recruiting for both cadets and staff for the 317 ACU Wonthaggi can do so at 317acu@cadnet.gov.au



ATTENTION LEARNER DRIVERS

Are you having difficulty in getting your 120 hours of driving time due to not having a car or someone to take you out?

If so, the Learner Driver Program, (L2P) may be able to help, this is a free program for eligible young drivers to obtain their probationary licence.

Currently there are opportunities to join the program in Mirboo North and Foster, please call South Gippsland Shire Council's Project Officer, Denise Trani, on **5662 9387** for further information.



You are invited to attend:

Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre,
Graham Street, Wonthaggi.

Thursday, January 26, 2023

Starts at 7.30am with community breakfast, followed by entertainment, an address by the Rotary Australia Day Ambassador and the presentation of Rotary Community awards.

We look forward to seeing you there

Past award winners and families warmly welcome to attend.





Inverloch Primary School student Flossy looks forward to all abilities surfing.

Enjoy the waves while volunteering

ALL abilities surfing days are coming to Bass Coast Shire beaches from this month through until March, ensuring everyone can experience the joy of catching a wave.

The action is hosted by the Bass Coast branch of the Disabled Surfers Association, with organisers calling for volunteers to help run its events.

All up, the association needs about 120 of them.

Inverloch will be the scene of the action on Sunday, January 22.

Volunteer check in opens at 10am with surfer registrations from 10.30am and the first surfer will hit the water at 11am.

Volunteers not wanting to go into the water are welcome from 7am to help set up marquees and the barbecue.

Inverloch Surf Beach Carpark is reserved for mobility modified vehicles only, with volunteers requested to find available parking in nearby streets.

Change room facilities with hoists and beds are provided, along with beach wheelchairs, and wetsuits.

There will be entertainment at the surf club bar after the event, with local artist Nick Carver likely to perform.

Other all abilities surfing days will be held at Smiths Beach on February 12, Inverloch Surf Beach on March 11 and back at Smiths Beach on March 26.

Visit the Disabled Surfers Association Bass Coast Facebook page for further details.

Those wishing to surf are requested to pre-register through Eventbrite by visiting the Disabled Surfers Association of Australia website at disabledsurfers.org and choosing the 'Bass Coast Branch', then 'events'.

Coastal consultation in South Gippsland

SOUTH Gippsland residents are encouraged to have their say on the strategic direction taken in relation to the shire's coastal areas from Venus Bay to Port Welshpool, with consultation running until the end of January.

Feedback will be considered during the development of a draft Coastal Strategy, with council recognising the need to take proactive steps to prepare coastal communities to address the challenges they face.

Once complete, the final version of the Coastal Strategy is intended to guide sustainable land use and development council states.

A Discussion Paper has been prepared to promote conversation to establish what measures community members hope to see taken to achieve those aims.

Proposals include:

- Removing growth areas from the planning scheme in Venus Bay, Sandy Point and Waratah Bay, meaning those townships wouldn't expand beyond their current boundaries
- Limiting new residential development in coastal townships to a single dwelling per lot
- Introducing subdivision controls to prevent the creation of additional residential lots in coastal towns
- Reviewing coastal land management arrangements regarding council's foreshore management areas

Recent consultation sessions were held at Port Welshpool's Sea Days Festival, and the Foodies and



Councillors Jenni Keerie, Scott Rae and Clare Williams at the Sea Days Festival in Port Welshpool to hear community views on what coastal strategies are needed.

Artisans Market in Sandy Point to hear people's views on coastal strategy, with some councillors, council staff and consultants present.

Cr Scott Rae attended both sessions, saying that while consultants conducted surveys in Port Welshpool, councillors got more directly involved in discussions at Sandy Point.

"It was an interesting mix of people; a lot of them aren't keen on over-developing but there were ones that wanted to see more development," Cr Rae said.

He was pleased by the level of interest from community members.

Cr Rae didn't hear any views expressed on climate change during the sessions, but said others in the group running the consultation sessions undoubtedly heard wide ranging views that will all be considered.

Those wishing to contribute their ideas on coastal strategy can complete an online

survey through South Gippsland Shire Council's 'Your Say' page.

The page also features discussion forums and an 'ideas board' on the topic.

The Coastal Strategy stand will be 'popping up' again soon at:

Toora
Saturday, January 21, Lion's Den Market (8.00am – 11.00am)
Venus Bay

Saturday, January 21, Overflow Parking Area, corner Jupiter Boulevard and Centre Rd (12.30pm – 3.30pm)
Tarwin Lower

Thursday, January 26, Australia Day barbecue (12.00pm – 3.00pm)
Stony Creek

Tuesday, January 31, Stony Creek Races (11.00pm – 2.00pm)

There will also be an online discussion hosted at 6.00pm on Thursday, January 19, for anyone who would like to talk to someone about the Strategy but is unable to attend one of the face-to-face events.

New customer service times

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council has altered its customer service counter opening hours in Leongatha, with plans to open a customer service counter in Korumburra later this year.

Face-to-face customer hours in Leongatha are now between 10am and 3pm Monday to Thursday.

Council's CEO Kerryn Ellis said those hours cover the period when most people seek assistance from council, adding that its phone service hours remain unchanged, with people able to call between 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday.

"The changes were made as a result of altered visitation patterns since COVID and to help accommodate the opening of a new customer service counter in Korumburra," Kerryn said.

The new counter will be located in the Korumburra Community Hub, which is yet to be completed, with opening hours to be determined.

Council will soon introduce online appointment bookings for its planning, rates, building and environmental health teams, as well as providing new ways to pay for applications online through its website.

Reflecting on a successful year

By Tarwin Lower Red Cross

TARWIN Lower Red Cross is having a break over the Christmas season with next meeting on Tuesday, February 7, at 1:30 pm at TLCHC.

In September (2022) we held a "Postie Fashion Day" for members and guests.

Jan the demonstrator just made it look so easy to "mix and match" the clothing to wear.

In October, we had a quick meeting and afternoon lunch followed with those members that wanted to visit the local cemetery.

Margaret Fisher gave a very interesting talk on the history and noted some very old graves. Members also walked around looking at the wildflowers and orchids.

December was our Christmas break up with our meeting followed by stories, poems, lucky spots and Santa giving a small present.

The tables were beautifully decorated. The highlight of the day was Glenda Arbuthnot (president) presenting Alan Mercer with his 20-year service badge.



WONTHAGGI RSL SUB BRANCH

60 Graham Street
Wonthaggi Victoria 3995
President Dan Lucas 0432 417 401



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT

THE WONTHAGGI RSL

Wonthaggi RSL Sub Branch wishes to welcome everyone back to the new year and make the following important announcements.

.....

RSL ACTIVE

RSL active is now aboard with the RSL so please keep an eye out for upcoming events available to members.

.....

GENERAL MEETING

Of great importance is that a general meeting for the club open to all members will occur at **2PM sharp on Sunday, February 12**, this is an important meeting as it is the leadup to the AGM in March TBA. All members are welcome to attend, this is your club, please consider making it great by attending and getting involved.

HM3966



Let us know your thoughts about our coastline

What should be included in South Gippsland's new Coastal Strategy?

What are the greatest challenges and opportunities facing our coastal communities?

The South Gippsland coastline is a beautiful natural asset which is highly valued by our local community and the many visitors it attracts. However, it is facing a range of pressures and it's clear we need to take proactive steps to prepare our coastal communities for the future.

Let us know your thoughts at our upcoming pop-ups, via written submission or online at: yoursay.southgippsland.vic.gov.au

PAST EVENTS	UPCOMING POP-UP EVENTS	
PORT WELSHPOOL Saturday 7 January This event has been completed	TOORA Lion's Den Market Saturday 21 January 8.00am – 11.00am ViPlus Factory, Toora Road	TARWIN LOWER Australia Day BBQ Thursday 26 January 12.00pm – 3.00pm The Long Table, Tarwin River Boat Ramp, River Drive
SANDY POINT Saturday 7 January This event has been completed	VENUS BAY Saturday 21 January 12.30pm – 3.30pm Overflow parking area, Corner Jupiter Boulevard and Centre Road	STONY CREEK Midweek Racing Tuesday 31 January 11.00am – 2.00pm Stony Creek Racecourse, South Gippsland Highway
ONLINE FORUM Thursday 19 January 6.00pm – 7.00pm		

Australia Day 2023

EVENT PROGRAM



DUMBALK

6.00pm - 9.30pm Australia day BBQ

Dumbalk Memorial Park

- BYO food, drinks and chairs
- Children's activities

Contact: Walter Aich 0419 559 367

FOSTER

1.00pm - 3.00pm Australia Day Celebrations

Outside the Museum, Main Street

- Celebrating migration to South Gippsland with International food, music and children's activities
- Prizes for children dressed in costume with a parade at 2.00pm

Contact: Prue Fleming 0418 775 717

KONGWAK

8.30am - 10.30am Australia Day Breakfast

Kongwak Public Hall

- Flag raising ceremony
- Guest Speaker: Mat Bowtell. Founder of Free 3D Hands, Mat designs and makes open-source prosthetic devices for those who cannot afford them

Contact: Burt Blackburn 0408 036 147

KORUMBURRA

12.30pm - 3.00pm Australia Day BBQ and Activities

Coleman Park, 39 Queen Street, Korumburra

- Flag raising ceremony
- Live music - Wonthaggi Citizen's Band, Jess Poulson and Chris and Robert Natoli
- Recognition of South Gippsland award nominees
- Face painting and balloon artist
- Sausage sizzle

Contact: Shirley Cowling 0400 976 248

LEONGATHA

8.30am - 10.30am Australia Day BBQ and Activities

McIndoe Park, Turner Street

- Citizenship ceremony
- Children's activities
- Free sausage sizzle and lamingtons
- Music by South Gippsland Shire Brass Band and Jennifer Holm
- Guest Speaker: Neil Warren from Leongatha SES will talk about the recent floods and emergency response

Contact: Leonnie McCluskey 0400 153 092

MEENIYAN

9.00am - 11.00am Australia Day Breakfast Activities

Meeniyan Hall, Whitelaw Street

- Flag raising and presentation ceremony acknowledging our Meeniyan award nominees
- Entertainment by the Black Notes
- Guest speaker
- Readings from local identities and the Meeniyan Primary School
- Free Meeniyan muffin breakfast by the CFA
- Cuppa by the CWA

Contact: Tarnya Wilson 0427 647 473

MIRBOO NORTH

10.30am Australia Day Celebration and Morning Tea

Walter J. Tuck Recreation Reserve, Strzelecki Highway

- Awards ceremony acknowledging Mirboo North nominees
- Morning tea and entertainment
- Children's activities

Contact: Heather Butler 0458 678 869

11.00am - 7.00pm Australia Day at the Pool

Mirboo North Pool, Jordan Way

- Entry with gold coin donation
- Live music
- Food trucks
- Pool inflatable

Contact: Mary Baker 0417 148 619

TARWIN LOWER

12.00pm - 2.00pm Australia Day BBQ

At the long table, Tarwin River Boat Ramp

Adults \$10, Children \$5

- BBQ: Sausages and burgers with onions, bread and salad
- River Duck Races
- Wood raffle - drawn on day
- Classic and veteran vehicles on display
- All proceeds will go to the Tarwin Lower Mechanics Institute Memorial Hall towards the weatherboard replacement project

Contact: Lisa Breen 0412 105 004

VENUS BAY

9.00am - 12.00pm Australia Day Breakfast

Venus Bay Surf Lifesaving Club

- Free Australia Day breakfast
- Flag raising ceremony
- Entertainment

Contact: Robyn Kaye 0419 898 937

WELSHPOOL

11.00am - 2.00pm Australia Day Family Day

Welshpool Park

- BBQ
- Children's yard games
- Jumping castle
- Raffle prizes drawn on day

Contact: Madelaine Mason 0409 976 211

Australia Day Photography Competition

The winners of the South Gippsland Australia Day Photography Competition will be announced via a virtual YouTube premiere on Australia Day at 5.00pm

Join us as we announce showcase the finalists and see how they have interpreted the theme 'Australia Day: Reflect, Respect, Celebrate. We're all part of the story.

Tune in at:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/AustraliaDay



Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

Creative piece stands out at Art Show

AN intricate work won the heart of judge Ray Dahlstrom at the Leongatha Art and Photography Show, which opened to the public on Saturday, with local artist Meg Viney claiming the honour of 'Best in Show'.

Her winning exhibit 'Water Water Everywhere' displayed the exacting Japanese craft of Shibori, a manual dying technique that produces different patterns on fabric.

'Best in Show' status was a pleasant surprise for Meg who was home watching the tennis when judge Ray announced her piece as the winner, with her neighbour passing on the special news.

"It never occurred to me that it would get a prize," Meg said.

However, as she explained the craftsmanship that went into the winning piece's creation, it was apparent why it caught the judge's eye.

The work was initially inspired by flooding in the Sale region and a subsequent flood relief effort.

Meg said the title 'Water Water Everywhere' alluded to the fact that while there is water all around during a flood, there's not a drop to drink because it is dirty water.

The winning artwork takes the form of a Greek-style water vessel, albeit not one that would hold liquid.

"I made the felt and stitched it in the Japanese water design," Meg said.

The blue colour of the piece comes from indigo dye, with the artist creating an indigo dyebath for the purpose.

Indigo dye is created from the flowers of the indigo plant, with the use of lime and zinc enabling the dye-bath solution to achieve the alkalinity required for the dye to work.

Young artist Alexandra Lawry was the winner of the youth section, selected by last year's 'Best in Show' winner Fiona Bilbrough for her work 'Mary'.

The winning oil painting depicts Alexandra's grandmother.

"It's an extremely mature looking portrait for someone so young," Fiona said when announcing the winner.

The 15-year-old artist said that while her grandmother normally loves her artworks, she is less keen on the winning piece believing she looks old.

However, the Sentinel-Times was assured by a reliable source that the work is an excellent likeness of Mary, and it was already sold by the time of the awards night on Friday.

Alexandra has had a couple of lessons with Fiona and looks forward to

more as her reward, saying she was already keen to spend further time in Fiona's studio.

She said Fiona strikes a perfect balance between leaving her to do her own painting and helping when needed.

"She doesn't look over my shoulder when I'm painting and she'll go and do her own thing while I'm doing mine," Alexandra said.

Her work also won praise from over-all Art Show judge Ray.

The young artist outlined how she created her winning piece.

"I used a lean to fat technique; I slowly build it up and the last things you add are the thickest paints," Alexandra said.

With over 600 artworks to choose between and a wide range of prize categories, Ray had a sizeable task to complete his judging.

He spoke of the subjectivity of the decision-making process, telling the audience if you had 10 different judges you would have as many outcomes.

"Not everyone can win a prize, but it takes a lot of guts to put your work out there for others," Ray said, congratulating all those who entered their works in the show.

In contrast to many judges, Ray didn't speak about each winning work and why he chose it but instead outlined the approach he applied to choosing winners.

Factors such as visual impact, the level of creativity and originality, and the artistic skill displayed were all important.

However, Ray outlined other criteria he applies to judging art.

"I like a meaningful title that gives me an insight into the work and what it is intended to achieve," Ray said.

He looks for what makes a piece stand out, which aspects challenge him, and the story it tells.

"We often concentrate too much on technical aspects at the expense of making a meaningful statement," Ray said.

Works were once again expertly displayed thanks to the efforts of hangers Bob Hickman and Lynn Fisher.

The Leongatha Art & Photography Show is run by the town's Rotary Club, raising funds for its local projects and others further afield.

It runs until February 4, between 10am and 4pm each day, with entry to the Leongatha Memorial Hall costing just \$5.



Youth winner Alexandra Lawry is congratulated by last year's Best in Show artist Fiona Bilbrough, with Alexandra looking forward to spending more time in Fiona's studio. A18_0323



Leongatha Art and Photography Show hangers Bob Hickman and Lynn Fisher enjoy the awards night on Friday. A17_0323



Art show judge Ray Dahlstrom admires the winning entry. A19_0323



Best in Show winner Meg Viney with her successful piece 'Water Water Everywhere'. A20_0323

Danny O'BRIEN MP

State Member for Gippsland South

**SHOP LOCAL
AND SUPPORT
LOCAL JOBS**

Working for Gippsland South

☎ (03) 5144 1987
 ✉ danny.obrien@parliament.vic.gov.au
 📍 54B Cunninghame St, Sale VIC 3850
 🌐 dannyobrienmp.com.au

dannyobrienmp

THE NATIONALS for Regional Victoria





46th
**ART
& PHOTOGRAPHY
SHOW
2023**

**Memorial Hall,
Leongatha**
Cnr McCartin St &
Michael Place
**SATURDAY
JAN 14 to
SATURDAY
FEB 4, 2023**

**MON - SUN
10AM - 4PM**

www.leonartshow.com.au
 leongatha rotary
 e: info@leonartshow.com.au

Commemorative event for Tunnerminnerwait and Maulboyheenner

THE Bass Coast Reconciliation Network invites the community in commemorating the lives of Tunnerminnerwait and Maulboyheenner, two Tasmanian Aboriginal men who were publicly hanged in Melbourne in 1842.

The men were convicted for the murder of two whale-hunters in the Western Port area and on 20 January 1842, became the first people hanged in Melbourne.

At the time they were labelled 'blood thirsty outlaws' but are now recognised as freedom fighters resisting colonial occupation and injustices.

The pair were captured at or near Harmers Haven in Cape Patterson.

The event will be held at 9.45am for a 10am start at Wonthaggi's Wishart Reserve on Friday, January 20, to honour the two men and acknowledge the injustice dealt to them and all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples during colonisation.

There will be a smoking ceremony followed by guest speakers and a gathering together to remember. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Bass Coast Reconciliation Network has members from Bass Coast Shire Council, Bass Coast Health, Westernport Water, Phillip Island Nature Parks, Bunurong Land Council, Bass Coast South Gippsland Reconciliation Group and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community members and is pleased to see organisations come together with the community to acknowledge and celebrate this important date of significance.

To learn more about the BCRN, visit: www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/recconciliation



The standard of exhibits is expected to be high again this year for the Show 'N Shine. (Pictured is 2022 event)

Power to the metal for Show 'N Shine

THE Wonthaggi Swap Meet and Show 'N Shine managed by Wonthaggi Power Football Netball Club is being held on Australia Day weekend - Sunday, January 22.

The event will be hosted at the Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve and is expected to see close to 250 classic and vintage cars and motorcycles on display.

The annual show welcomes local vendors to showcase and sell their bric-a-brac, spare parts, and memorabilia to the car enthusiasts in the community – displaying anything from vintage motorcycles to authentic collectables.

Event organiser Kris Baker said the gates will open at 6am for swap meet stall holders to get set up, and they will then direct all the classic cars and bikes through before opening the show to the public at 8am.



Holden V8s are sure to make a big return at the Show 'N Shine this weekend.

"All show 'n shine classics are welcome without pre-registering; cars and drivers for judging are \$15 entry, \$10 entry without judging and passengers and pedestrians are \$5 per person," said Kris. "The judges will be evaluating all classics and late model bikes and cars on display with judging cut off at 9:30pm sharp."

The categories for the 2023 event include:

- Presidents Choice (Best overall)
- Best Aussie Original
- Best Aussie Muscle
- Best Tuff Street
- Best Hot Rod

- Best Vintage – Pre 1950
- Best Bike
- Best Paint
- Best Interior
- Best Engine Bay

The Shannons' Super Rig, 'ultimate big truck', will be a highlight attraction this year with Shannons sponsoring the event alongside Tyrepower, Wonthaggi Motorcycles, Greg's Panels, Matthews Transport, Autopro and Finance Consulting and Accounting.

The show is open to all classic cars and bikes - anything from veteran to modern day.

A pre-show event will kick off on Saturday, January 21 with an evening car cruise from 4:15pm, with drivers meeting at the netball court car park on Korumburra Road, Wonthaggi.

For more information or to pre-register for the event call Kris Baker on 0400 899 991.

AT THE DALYSTON

ON DAY

FAMILY FRIENDLY AUSTRALIA DAY FESTIVAL

4.00PM TO 9.30PM
26 JANUARY
DALYSTON REC. RESERVE

SHOWCASING LOCAL TALENT
IMOGEN PRICE
THURSDAY@5
THE TIMES

KIDS ACTIVITIES
FIREWORKS

tickets @ <https://www.trybooking.com/CFAKR>

AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND

SUNDAY 22ND JANUARY 2023

SHOW'N SHINE & SWAP MEET

WONTHAGGI REC RESERVE

GATES OPEN 6AM STALL HOLDERS \$15 CAR & DRIVER

8AM PUBLIC ENTRY \$5 // U15 FREE

JUDGING CLOSES 9.30AM SHARP

FOR MORE INFORMATION KRIS BAKER 0400 899 991

SPONSORS

SPONSORS

Wonthaggi Toyota

WE BUY
CARS!



USED VEHICLE SPECIALS



2018 Mitsubishi
Triton Exceed MQ

46,490 DRIVE AWAY

63,433kms, 5 speed sports auto
double cab ute SN: W101345



2016 Hyundai i30

18,990 DRIVE AWAY

112,287kms, 7 speed sports auto
hatch SN: W101416



2018 Holden Astra BK R+

24,990 DRIVE AWAY

32,325kms, 6 speed sports auto
hatch SN: W101341



2018 Mitsubishi ASX ES XC

28,990 DRIVE AWAY

56,090kms, CVT auto SUV
SN: W101420



2019 Hyundai Santa Fe Elite

39,990 DRIVE AWAY

116,955kms, 8 speed sports
automatic SUV SN: W101372



2018 Ford Ranger PX MKII

57,990 DRIVE AWAY

74,983kms, 6 speed sports auto
ute SN: W101430



2019 Toyota
Corolla Ascent Hybrid

33,990 DRIVE AWAY

39,233kms, 10 speed CVT auto
hatch SN: W101402



2013 Hyundai ix35 Trophy

19,990 DRIVE AWAY

133,256kms, 6 speed sports auto SUV
SN: W101432

Leongatha Toyota

USED VEHICLE SPECIALS



2019 Toyota Hilux SR5

60,990 DRIVE AWAY

89,521kms, 6 speed auto 4x4
Double cab ute SN: L100960



2020 Ford Everest Trend UA II

59,990 DRIVE AWAY

74,646kms, 6 speed CVT auto 4WD
SUV SN: L100986



2021 Toyota Yaris Ascent

32,990 DRIVE AWAY

2,097kms, Sport CVT auto hatch
SN: L100950



2021 MG MG3 Core

17,990 DRIVE AWAY

18,979kms, automatic CVT hatch
SN: L100971



2020 Toyota Corolla ZR

42,990 DRIVE AWAY

16,480kms, 10 speed CVT auto
hatch SN: L100946



2020 Ford Ranger PX XLS MK III

54,990 DRIVE AWAY

77,213kms, 6 speed CVT auto
double cab SN: L100954



2018 Mitsubishi
Pajero Sport GLX QE

52,990 DRIVE AWAY

40,885kms, 8 speed CVT auto SUV
SN: L100955



2022 Toyota
Landcruiser Sahara

184,990 DRIVE AWAY

5,376kms, 10 speed CVT 4x4
wagon BYH 282

Wonthaggi Toyota

346 Bass Highway,
Wonthaggi VIC 3995
T (03) 5672 1722
LMCT 8179
wonthaggitoyota.com.au

Leongatha Toyota

7-13 Hughes Street,
Leongatha VIC 3953
T (03) 5662 2302
LMCT 8179
leongathatoyota.com.au



Toyota Finance



Toyota Used Cars

OH WHAT A FEELING

* Disclaimer: If the price does not contain the notation that it is "Driveaway*", the price may not include additional costs, such as stamp duty and other government charges.

BASS COAST SUMMER AGRICULTURAL SHOW



Local boys Caleb Gale, Levi Courtier and Bj Cody made use of Bj's weekender setup taking respite between judging under the awning shade. Bj took home second place for Best Local Ute. C25_0323



Koo Wee Rup/Bayles blokes Kyle Cooper, Harry Weller and Brad Hodge cruised down for a day at the Wonthaggi Ute & 4x4 Show. C26_0323



After some bumper cars and face painting Bryce, Cassidy and David from Phillip Island checked out the car show, which was high on the kids list of favourites. C27_0323



(Veteran support) Melissa and (president) Dan Lucas from Wonthaggi RSL were joined by Matt Curson of Open Arms – Veterans and Families Counselling, helped spread the word of the amazing services available and work RSL's do behind the scenes. C30_0323



Fairy stilt walker Bonnie impressed the crowds as she greeted visitors at the show. C35_0323



Showbags galore for Wonthaggi's Miller and Cooper as they enjoyed a couple of treats each. C44_0323



Having just turned five, Thomas Leggett of Trafalgar is a face to be watching having won multiple ribbons including Champion during Saturday's horse events on Burrabong Gossip and Owendale Primadonna. C47_0323



A veteran in the arena, Sarah Baker claimed three ribbons, including first, prior to lunchtime on Saturday with Domino Downs Lil Popstar in the Led Gelding divisions and Best Presented. The afternoon brought with it the Shetland and Miniature Classes, which Sarah was incredibly grateful to have included. C75_0323



Champion Pony Club Rider 9-14 years, Savannah Bergmeier was proud of the win on Daisy who was all smiles for the camera. C76_0323



Ann Berrett took home second place on Southern Skys Miranda in Section Sevens – Donkey and Mule Show on Saturday. C77_0323



Sponsored by C&S Stockfood and Mangrove Palms Estate the Harness Show Section of Saturday's Equestrian Exhibition did not disappoint. C79_0323



Five-year-old, Thomas Leggett on Burrabong Gossip, one of two horses he won multiple ribbons on over the weekend.



The sun was out and the heat blistering but that didn't stop showgoers on Saturday. C51_0323



The musical duo that is SharDave Original welcomed visitors with their poly-harmonic, unpretentious sounds. C50_0323

Bass Coast Show returns in style

AFTER a delayed start to summer it was spectacular to see young and old out and about for the Bass Coast Agriculture Show over the weekend.

The sweltering heat on day one may have brought more people through the gates at 9am than usual, but the crowd remained strong until the end, with rides drawing the young crowd all day long.

Numbers are still being tallied but with long entrance queues for tickets and children free, numbers are on par with previous successful years.

"It was a good show," Honorary Wonthaggi Show Secretary Rosemary Loughnan said.

"Whilst the beach may have been our major competitor, people were queuing up

before 9am at the public gates for entry.

"The showmen were happy and food vans sold out, overall, everyone was more than happy with the whole day.

"The horses wound up just after 2pm, poultry went until time and the animal nursery only finished slightly ahead of time due to the heat."

Animal responsibility was first and foremost for all

concerned, and whilst the warm weather may have been felt in the sun, the shade was paramount with plenty available for the animals and accessible water.

"COVID has changed events and we were more than happy with numbers.

"We are grateful to our sponsors, the volunteers, our organisers and attendees – it was a successful day."



2001 VU Holden Commodore Ute owner, Ciana Field walked judge Jeff Tully through her vehicle and the ins and outs of its history. C55_0323



A day out for the boys, Will proudly showed off Drew's 2000 Nissan Patrol GU with LS2 motor. C57_0323

Utes prove to be a tooting success

WITH proceeds going to the Royal Flying Doctor Service once again this year, it was a roaring success for Wonthaggi 4x4 & Ute Show organisers with 56 entries and over 60 cars on ground on Saturday.

Competition was fierce with categories including Best Holden, Best Ford, Classic, Trade, Chicks, Themed, Feral and BNS to name but a few. Novelty categories also saw the Best Ute Dog, Young Driver, Local and Old Farts and Tarts.

"We are over the moon with the turnout," organiser, Jarrod Witherow stated.

"It surpasses our last event by over 10 vehicles back in 2020 (prior to COVID).

"It's a passion project of mine, I love it, as much as I pull my hair out every time, we do it – it's great!

"This year we've expanded into 4WD's more, not just Utes and the turnout is phenomenal. We've had small clubs and groups that go four-wheel driving together all turn up here today and that really

expanded the numbers massively."

For first show entrants like Ciano Field, being a part of the event was the main aspiration – any wins were simply an added bonus.

"I've owned the 2001 VU Holden Commodore for four years and whilst I have taken it to the B&S Balls and Deni a few times, this is my first show," Ciano explained.

"My friends have entered the Ute show (previously) and with all the work I've put in, thought

why not enter my first one."

Where to for Wonthaggi 4x4 & Ute Show next year?

Jarrod is hoping to continue pushing the event and create a mini expo with big brands heading down for the day and displays.

"It's a really good day – it's our fourth go around and it's expanded every year. The weather turned it on and we raised \$1000 for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

"A big thanks to all our sponsors and team that helped."



Champion Bird in Show. C65_0323

Poultry exhibition impresses all

A CLASSIC favourite, the poultry show was back in action on Saturday with a strong turnout even with the high temperatures.

"We had about 65 entries in poultry and a good display of eggs," Michael Jones, vice president Agriculture Society and Chief Steward Poultry said.

"Green Valley Grains have been very generous sponsors once again and are very good at promoting the agriculture shows. This is our first show back from a two-year sabbatical through COVID, so we're just finding our feet again.

"Normally we would have more birds, but the expected heat has deterred some entrants (from further afield) who were worried about getting back home, being here wasn't a problem but getting home in 38-degree heat was.

"It's very pleasing to put on a poultry show again."

A previous poultry exhibitor, judge Ken Bjorkshen is no stranger to being on the other side and is an avid poultry promotor.

"The overall quality was good," Ken explained.

"It's the time of year when birds start to moult, but it's tourist season so entrants put in what they can and this year we had a strong showing for the junior section."

Kara Oxley had much success on the day with her Old English Game Duckwing taking home Champion Bird in Show and her son, Noah, securing Champion Bird Junior in Show with his Malay Game cock bird.



Champion Bird in Show owner Kara Oxley joined judge Ken Bjorkshen with Junior Champion in Show after a successful event. C66_0323



A young Noah Oxley won Champion Bird in Show – Junior.



Volunteer Racing 2 Rehome van driver Catherine Ongarello heads out with another adorable greyhound for foster care.

Racing to find these dogs a foster home

DESPITE the success of its Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP), Greyhound Racing Victoria still has a real problem with the number of dogs being bred to race in the state.

According to an article in the Herald-Sun last week, GRV reports show breeding rates continue to increase with 4886 Victorian-bred pups registered to race in the past year – an increase of 622 from two years earlier.

However only 1094 greyhounds were rehomed by the GAP which receives taxpayer funding, in the year to June 2022.

Not-for-profit community groups have been picking up some of the slack, actually providing homes for more ex-races that GRV, rehoming 1862 dogs last year but that still leaves hundreds of dogs facing euthanasia unless more is done.

However, there are a few things you can do to help, even if you can't see your way clear to adopting your own greyhound and a community group, formed right here in South Gippsland is providing a really exciting alternative.

Called 'Racing 2 Rehome', it was established by Rebecca Miller in Korumburra about five years ago, and despite being slowed by COVID, the group is gathering a good head of steam at the moment.

How it works, according to foster carer and volunteer van driver, Catherine Ongarello, is people offer to take a retired greyhound for anything from four weeks to three months, until a permanent home can be found for the greyhound.

"At any one time we'll have as many as 35 dogs out for temporary foster care, with volunteers coming from all over Gippsland, the Mornington Peninsula and metro Melbourne," said Catherine.

"These are people who really want to help but can't see themselves taking on a greyhound full time.

"Of course, some of them fall in love with the dog and end up adopting them which is a terrific outcome as well but we are really focussed on the foster care side, giving the greyhounds a chance to find a home."

A really exciting aspect of the Racing 2 Home program is the flight program they've established to America where greyhound racing has been banned in all but one of the 50 states.

"They actually can't get enough greyhounds and the demand is huge but it's a matter of financing it and the organisation.

"During COVID the service was suspended, and we've sent 60 dogs away since last June and have another flight going in early February."

Those who agree to foster a greyhound for four weeks, and up to three months, are given training, a supporting mentor and all the supplies; including fresh and dry food, equipment including leads, beds and all the rest. Go just provide a home, which is exactly what these dogs need.

If you'd like to become a volunteer greyhound foster carer, or would like to support the program, including the Flight program with a donation, go to the Racing 2 Rehome website at www.racing2rehome.org and get in contact with the locally-based organisation.

Staggering net loss but Nature Parks continues to rebound

PHILLIP Island Nature Parks' (PINP) annual report for 2021-22 has been released highlighting the struggles of lockdowns with a net loss of \$10.5M.

However, during that time Nature Parks restored 13.8 hectares of habitat, the local penguin population continued to thrive and grow, with the penguin census recording 40,000 Little Penguins, and the Hooded Plovers had their second most successful breeding year in 30 years.

A net result for the financial year was a loss of \$10.5M, which was consistent with expectations, given the challenging operating environment, according to PINP.

Revenue from operations increased by 62 per cent compared to 2021, which was significantly impacted by pandemic restrictions including a loss in revenue from overseas tourists.

Phillip Island Nature Parks CEO, Catherine Basterfield highlighted the first six months of the 2021/22 financial year were incredibly difficult due to COVID restrictions at the time.

"Visitation was restricted to just people from regional Victoria, because Metro Melbourne was still largely in lockdown," she said.

"It was a really quiet start to those first six months, and then the calendar year (2022) has been really good.

"The visitors have been really supportive and come back in greater numbers.

"We've just seen month on month growth really from January right through to December, so it's been a fantastic 2022."

Ms Basterfield said there had been a huge increase in local visitors coming from across the state.

"In our pre-COVID world, we were about 70 per cent international visitors and 30 per cent domestic.

"We're back to almost peak numbers this summer and about 75 per cent of them have been domestic and 25 per cent are international.

"When they're domestic visitors they tend to stay longer and absorb more of what we do in terms of conservation.

"A lot of businesses have



While Phillip Island Nature Parks has had a tough couple of years due to the pandemic, they continue to grow and expand with their attractions becoming more popular.

realised, not just PINP, that even though we don't have quite the same number of visitors, they're spending more."

Annual report highlights

Key aspects of the annual report include:

- **Financial** - "Site attractions were closed for a fifth of the year and when opened, operated with greatly reduced capacity," the annual report states. "This resulted in immediate and material impacts to the Nature Parks', and a sustained loss of revenue. The Nature Parks tourism operations achieved 415,130 paid visitors to its sites, a 30.7% increase compared with 2020-21. The Nature Parks realised \$8.6 million in revenue excluding Government funding, \$3.3 million greater than 2020-21, but \$9.2 million less than 2019-20 and \$16.3 million less than 2018-19. Following the easing of COVID Safe Principles the Nature Parks were able to resume much of its conservation activities and welcomed more guests back to each of the attractions. With this came greater investment in operational activities when compared with 2020-21, and as a result of this resumption of activity, the Nature Parks' other expenditure increased for the reporting period by 29.5% versus 2020-21, however this was still 6.6% less versus 2019-20 and 22.1% less than 2018-19.

- **Wildlife rescues** - In 2021-22, the Wildlife Clinic team responded to over 1910 calls for wildlife rescues and advice.

Cared for 79 Little Penguins (71 in 2020-21) and rescued and cared for 155 other native animals from 65 different species (550 in 2020-2021).

- **Short-Tailed Shearwaters** - PINP recorded the third most successful Short-tailed Shearwater breeding season in the past 12 years of monitoring. This season, 25 geolocator tracking devices were deployed to understand the birds' movement patterns. Their annual Shearwater Rescue Program rescued 409 birds off the roads which were relocated back to the colony and given a second chance.

- **Bush Stone-Curlews** - PINP's application for a wild release of Bush Stone-curlews was approved and is expected to take place on Phillip Island (Millowl) in 2023. The Koala Conservation Reserve became home to four critically endangered Bush Stone-curlews that were housed in specially designed aviaries for the purpose of captive breeding for wild release and visitor engagement.

- **Foxes and feral cats** - Two mainland fox baiting programs removed an estimated 110 foxes from the Anderson Peninsula on the mainland and surrounding areas in a collaborative program between Parks Victoria, local landholders and the Nature Parks. In early May, the first evidence of a fox on Phillip Island (Millowl) in seven years was confirmed. Ongoing surveillance and control programs located and removed the fox. Conservation dogs Jazz, Marbee and Milly surveyed

105 kilometres across the island and 82 kilometres on the mainland for evidence of foxes. They were also deployed to locate evidence of feral cats. The first GPS tracking study of feral cats was undertaken on Summerland Peninsula. A total of 76 feral cats were caught over 9059 trap nights.

Other highlights included:

- Premier Daniel Andrews MP visiting the Penguin Parade in May 2022 and announcing \$5 million towards stage one of the Penguin Parade Boardwalks and Stands Redevelopment Project.
- The Nature Parks welcoming 415,130 paid visitors across its four attractions.
- Winning the Victorian Tourism Industry Council (VTIC) award for Tourism Innovation and Resilience in Regional Victoria in recognition of the Penguin Parade Live Stream phenomenon that brought joy to millions around the world.
- A record 5,219 penguins crossing the beach in April. A number that was broken again in October last year.
- Hosting Southern Ocean Live and being part of Meet the Penguins, which both aired on the ABC.

- Celebrating Research Director Dr Peter Dann's 42 years of service at Nature Parks in the lead up to his retirement.

Phillip Island Nature Parks Annual Report 2021-22 is available as a summary and in full at <https://www.penguins.org.au/about/corporate-affairs/publications/annual-reports/Media>

Funding to help endangered Fairy Tern seabirds

PHILLIP Island Nature Parks will embark on a \$200,000 conservation project to support the recovery of the Critically Endangered Fairy Tern seabird population around Phillip Island.

Nature Parks staff and volunteers will partner with the Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation to improve and expand suitable breeding habitats for Fairy Terns and install a series of cameras to monitor the species and to better respond to feral cats and other threats such as storm surges.

The project has received funding from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning Nature Fund, which will complement co-investment from Phillip Island Nature Parks, the Penguin



With the last successful breeding back in 2019/20, the Phillip Island Nature Parks are partnering with the Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation in the hope of securing long-term breeding success.

Foundation and Melbourne Water.

Nature Parks Environment Ranger Brandan Zerafa said the work would centre around the Fairy Tern's last known successful breeding site in Western Port and Port Phillip and will aim to secure a safe

breeding site at Observation Point.

"The movement and breeding site selection of the Fairy Tern population is highly variable, and most breeding attempts fail," Mr Zerafa said.

"Since 2016, the only successful breeding in the Western

Port and Port Phillip was at our Observation Point on Phillip Island in 2019/20 when 31 Fairy Tern pairs fledged 49 chicks.

Since then, there has been no successful breeding of Fairy Terns due to a number of factors including pest animals, weed infestation and human disturbance.

The Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation will work with Nature Parks and BirdLife Australia to undertake weed removal, revegetation and participate in Fairy Tern monitoring on Country.

The Fairy Tern project is one of 16 projects across the state to improve outcomes for the state's most threatened species.

For more information go to environment.vic.gov.au/nature-fund

LIFE Moments



Frank Ian Kennedy was born at Bass Coast Health on January 3, 2023. Weighing 4.06kg and measuring 54cm. He is the first child for Sara Gillbee and Stephen Kennedy of Wonthaggi.

Send your photos to news@sgst.com.au

• FAITH FACTOR

So, what is faith?

By John Williams,
[Wonthaggi Christian Life Centre](#)

FOLLOWING the recent World Cup finals, I found it intriguing to see so many passionate football fans who had put faith in their country's football teams. Even within AFL circles you will find loyal, committed followers who stick with their teams through thick and thin with devotion that is akin to faith. In fact, many will tell you that it is all about keeping the faith in their club and football is often likened to a religion. It got me thinking about faith.

What is faith? Is it simply an act of believing or is it something more than that? I mean, we all believe in something - that the sun will rise in the morning, that when I turn on a light switch a light will go on. So, belief is largely based upon experience and information.

But to the football fan it is more. Faith is about a one-eyed belief in a favourite football team, about belonging to a community whose devotees display passion, pride and a loyalty, sometimes beyond reason and gives its followers a real sense of collective identity and other commendable qualities.

But is this all there is to faith? Is faith simply a matter of just believing the right thing and an allegiance to a team or cause?

What about faith in God? In a sense, it is all of the above qualities talked about but more!

The Bible says that without faith no one can please God. And this is a good start. But there is more.

Christian faith begins when we trust and hope in the goodness of Jesus and His character when there might be little evidence around to support my trust. The Bible says anyone who wants to approach God must believe both that He exists and that he cares enough to respond to those who seek him.

Genuine faith is also validated by our actions and behaviours that follow. So therefore, it is centred in obedience and a belief that God wants us to love others through genuine kindness and compassion and to walk daily in humility.

If we want to make real change in the world, let's start by becoming a people of Faith.

NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE & ADULT LEARNING NEWS

WONTHAGGI NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

A BIG hello to everyone and a Happy New Year start to you all!
[Sing] We've all been on a Summer Holiday ...

As to how you fared or are faring, the experience will vary. In any case some of us are getting back to pre hols form now. The Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre is moving into activity mode once again and its doors are open to all who'd like to partake of our programs and pursuits.

So far, we have our Craft and Cuppa group meeting on Friday mornings, 10am to 12noon. A great space to work on your own craft project amongst like-minded people.

There's our Chess group which meets on Mondays 2 to 4pm. Sharpen your mind playing a game which has been popular for millennia!

We also have Circle Dancing on Wednesdays from 2 to 3pm. A fine activity to lift your spirits and gladden your heart.

There is also our Ukulele group which meet on Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 12noon. Strum along and become a maestro on this instrument.

Our Free Community Lunch is on the second Wednesday of the month at Mitchell House, 12noon start, and uses some of the produce from the harvest gardens to make delicious meals for those who book in ahead of time - call us to book your spot.

Seated Yoga will enhance your wellbeing, you'll be surprised how much limber you will be after a session at this. Come along on Thursday afternoons, 2 to 3pm and Maree will guide you through it.

The AA associated groups meet on Thursdays and Fridays. The AA meeting is on Thursday afternoons 4.30 to 6pm and the Al-Anon Family and Friends meet on Friday mornings, 10.30am to 12noon.

The Harvest Centre, beyond the Goods Shed out the back of the Big W carpark, have a couple of groups: The Garden Group which meet on Wednesday mornings, 9.30am to 12noon. A great place to get involved with gardening and share ideas. There is also the Seed and Veggie/Produce Swap on every second Saturday of the month, 9.30 to 11.30am where you can swap your excess bounty from your garden with someone else's. Followed by the Wonthaggi Food Collective, 11am to 1pm where you can buy fresh food at wholesale prices. Call Mitchell House for more details.

The once-a-month activities continue with our: Chatty Café on the first Tuesday, 10.30 to 11.30am - come and have a chat and a cuppa. There is the Writer's Café on the first Saturday, 2.30 to 4pm. A great place to start or hone your skills as a writer. And, of course, the Fixit Café at the Harvest Centre and Men's Shed on the third Sunday, 11am to 1pm, where you can book in ahead of time, an item to be repaired or repurposed by one of our wonderful fixers - a joint venture with the Wonthaggi Men's Shed.

We have other activities which will be up and running further down the track, stay tuned.

Become a member of the WNC and get discounts to many of our activities and a newsletter (when it comes out) delivered online or by post. Call Mitchell House or visit us on Facebook Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House.



6 Murray St, Wonthaggi
PH: (03) 5672 3731
www.wonthaggineighbourhoodcentre.com



BASS COAST ADULT LEARNING

BASS Coast Adult Learning is open again for 2023 and it's already been a busy start to the year.

The Certificate II and III in Horticulture is getting a lot of interest. It's a qualification equally suited to people who want to gain employment or want to go into business for themselves.

BCAL is also offering Certificate III in Information Technology, the ideal course for those who want to go beyond the day-to-day use of computers and get to know how the really work. We all know how vital tech support has become recently.

In great news for people looking to retrain, the rule about government subsidies not being available for qualifications lower than one you already have, has been removed. This means that even if you have a Certificate IV or higher in a different subject, you can still study a new qualification at BCAL for a very reasonable price.

There's never been a better time to learn something new.

For more information on all BCAL's courses and services, please visit www.bcal.vic.edu.au or call 5672 3115 to learn more.

■ COMMUNITY GARDEN

The second annual Bass Coast Edible Gardens weekend is just a couple of weeks away.

Last year's event had a wonderful turnout and keen local gardeners are hoping to make this year's even bigger.

Fifteen gardens right across Bass Coast, including the Wonthaggi Community Garden, will be open to the public over the weekend of February 4th and 5th with a focus on growing food and sustainability.

Tickets can be purchased individual gardens for just \$5 each or access to all fifteen participating gardens is \$25.

To learn more about the Edible Gardens weekend and book tickets, visit www.basscoastediblegardens.com.

■ WONTHAGGI WOODCRAFTERS

The last-minute gift sale at the workshop was a big success with hundreds of items sold. Now it's time to make some more.

Woodworking sessions are back for the new year and the Woodies have welcomed over a dozen new members since the break. The times for the furniture making group have been extended to include Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The Woodcrafters' new solar power system is now up and running and should significantly reduce power consumption from the grid, with the aim of being fully self-sufficient in energy use.

For more information about joining the Woodcrafters, visit www.wonthaggiwoodcrafters.com.au or pop in to the workshop.



239 White Rd, Wonthaggi
PH: (03) 5672 3115
www.bcal.vic.edu.au



Spinach and ricotta Gnocchi

By Meg Viney

WHEN you buy gnocchi from the supermarket, the texture is rubbery.

That is because it is rolled in flour; remember flour and water paste in primary school?

This recipe changes all that, and it is quick to make and great for a lunch dish. By the way, white pepper prevents the mixture going grey.

Another hint is to add salt to the boiling water, which raises the temperature of the water and speeds up the cooking process.

Ingredients

- 1 kg fresh spinach or 500gm frozen spinach, thawed and cooked gently to remove excess water.
- 350 gm fresh ricotta
- 4 tablespoons grated parmesan
- ½ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- 3 eggs, beaten
- 4 tablespoons flour
- Salt and pepper

Method

Cook the spinach in the water clinging to its leaves, turning once you can hear it 'boiling' and cook 7 minutes over a low heat.

Strain, pressing excess water out. Or use frozen spinach, also with excess water removed. In a food processor, beat the eggs, add the spinach, ricotta, nutmeg, parmesan, salt and white pepper and blend.

Add the flour and mix in.

Remove to a bowl.

Bring a pot of salted water to the boil and, using two spoons, drop spoonfuls of dough into the pot, about seven at a time, and wait until they rise to the top.

Remove with a slotted spoon to a sieve to drain a little more, then place in a buttered dish and repeat until all the dough is used.

You can use a lasagne dish or other suitable dish.

To serve, pour over some melted butter, sprinkle with parmesan and put into a hot oven until slightly golden. Otherwise, you can serve the gnocchi with fresh tomato sauce.

Fresh tomato sauce:

Ingredients:

- 450 gm fresh tomatoes dropped into boiling water for a minute to remove the skins, or a tin of diced tomatoes (so easy)
- 1 onion, finely diced
- 1/4 cup white wine (I use less than that of Ribena/blackcurrant juice)
- 1 tablespoon butter
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon white pepper
- Sugar to taste
- ¼ cup cream

Method:

Cook the onion in the butter with the salt, lid on over a low heat for 10 minutes. It will be aromatic and golden.

Add the wine/fruit juice and allow it to bubble for a minute.

Add the diced tomatoes and allow to cook for 10-15 minutes over a low heat.

This is the important part - taste for seasoning. Add salt, pepper and sugar in small amounts until it literally sings on your tongue.

Then add the cream and allow to reduce to a good consistency to go over the gnocchi.

Then pour over the gnocchi (instead of the butter) sprinkle with parmesan and place in a hot oven until golden and bubbling.

Serve with a salad. This is also wonderful over fresh pasta or to use with bruschetta.

Sentinel-Times COMMENT

Can't stand by for more Russian atrocities

SURELY, there's something we can do, as a community, to demonstrate our outrage at the latest atrocity inflicted on the people of Ukraine by the crazed Russian regime.

Thirty people are confirmed dead, 30 are in hospital and 30 to 40 are missing believed dead after a huge cruise missile hit an apartment block in the central-south city of Dnipro.

According to reporters, the weapon was a Russian Kh-22 missile with a huge payload of 950kg of explosive capability, designed to destroy warships in the Cold War era, not to be fired indiscriminately into a residential area.

It must have been known that such an attack would inflict terrible loss and suffering.

If the Russians are capable of that, what next.

Certainly we can support the Ukrainian response with a cash donation and the following organisations are working on the ground in war-ravaged country: Caritas Australia, Ukraine Crisis Appeal, United Help Ukraine, Voices of Children, Ukrainian Red Cross, and CARE Australia.

English-language news outlets based in the country, such as the Kyiv Independent and the New Voice of Ukraine are also worthy of support.

There have been daily protests mounted by the Australian-Ukraine community in Sydney but if a local organisation wanted to stage a 'Stop the War in Ukraine' protest locally, we would certainly support it.

Certainly, we don't want to see this event escalate into a nuclear or world-war style conflict, but surely there's more that the countries of the world can do, and that we can do locally as well.

Australia Day needs a re-think...

I was born in England. I migrated from Britain when I was 9 years old, with my family. We were known as the 'ten pound poms'.

I have received most of my education in Australia, and our school history classes always started with Captain Cook's landing in Sydney Cove.

I have no recollection of learning the historical accounts of Australia's indigenous people.

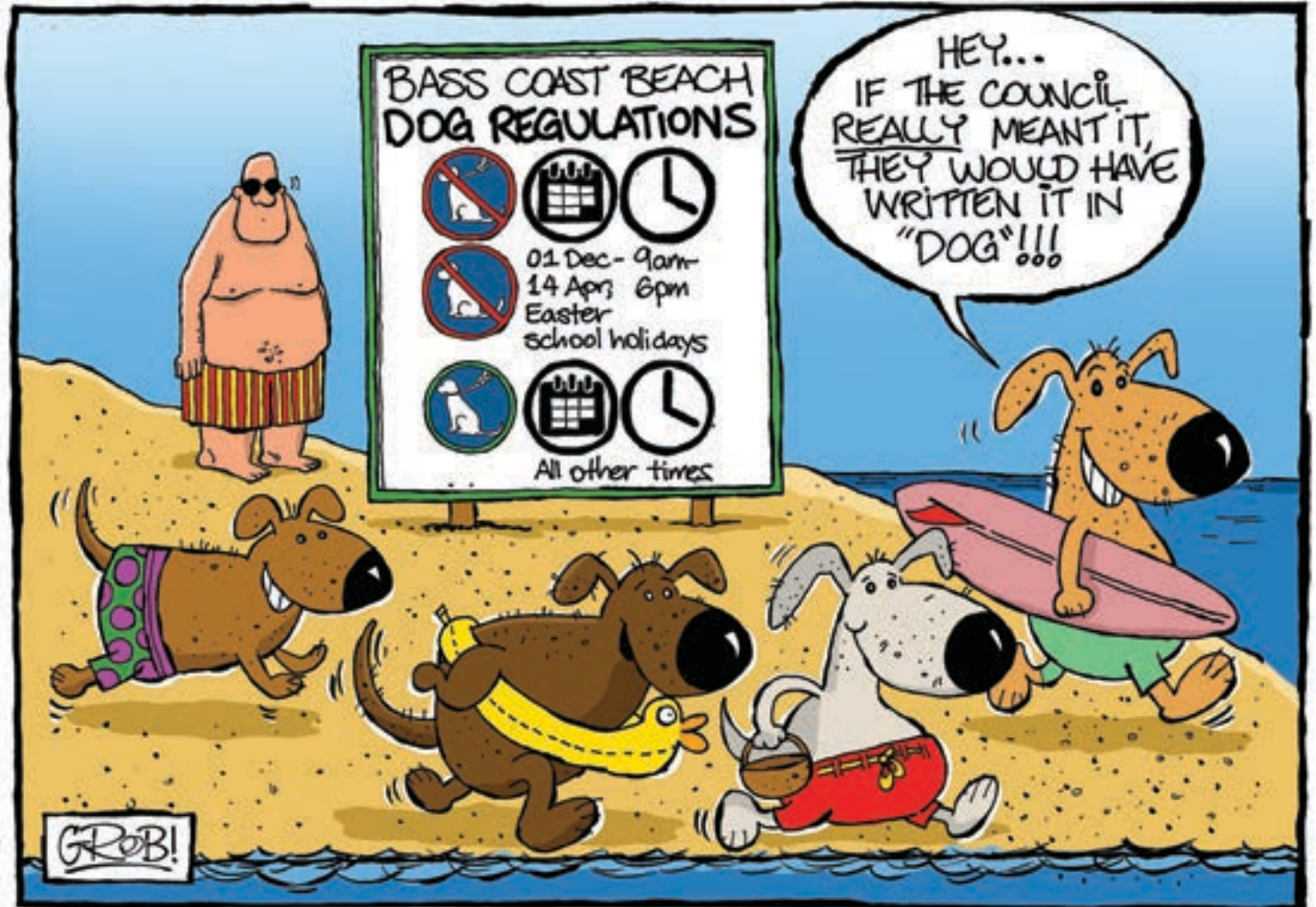
I have now lived in Australia many more years than in my country of birth.

Australia feels like my home. I have travelled for lengthy periods around this beautiful country, and there is much to celebrate – its vastness, diversity of people, culture and land, the unique biodiversity, flora and fauna, and a country that has the oldest living indigenous culture in the world.

So I understand cause for celebration of this rich and vast country, but I do not support the tradition of celebrating this on Australia Day, which marks and honours the establishment of the first permanent European settlement at Sydney Cove on January 26th 1788, and what subsequently followed in pursuit of British possession of indigenous land.

Why would it not feel like a celebration for indigenous people?

European settlement in Australia disrupted a significantly important way of life, connected to land, waters and culture. White colonisation was a process of



Cartoon by Glenn 'Grob' Robinson.

Join Rotary on Australia Day

The President and Members of the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi would like to invite you to attend the celebration of Australia Day at the Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre in Graham Street, Wonthaggi, on Thursday, January 26, 2023.

Over the past few years our nation has faced many challenges including fire, floods, drought and the continuing coronavirus pandemic. Australia Day 2023 provides us with an opportunity to reflect on these challenges, respect those who have put others before themselves and celebrate our nation's resilience and unity.

Australia Day remains a fun day of celebration of all the good things that make this nation the best in the World. It is also a very appropriate time to acknowledge and thank the many fine dedicated and passionate people and organisations in our own community who have contributed so well to making a difference to the lives of others and make this an even better place to live.

Significantly the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi began the celebration of Australia Day here in Wonthaggi nearly 30 years ago and has enjoyed doing so ever since. It is an event we are certainly proud to host.

We are very excited about this year's program especially with former Bass Coast Shire Young Citizen of the Year and AFL Premiership player Jarryd Blair speaking as the Wonthaggi Rotary Australia Day Ambassador.

As usual there is an impressive list of wonderful people and organisations who will be presented with community service recognition awards, always a highlight.

This year we are encouraging former award winners and their families and friends to attend also to reconnect after a couple of challenging years for the community.

The Australia Day celebrations get under way at 7.30am with a planned breakfast outside the Arts Centre and at around 9am the formal program will commence.

The program will start with a short Australia Day address by our special Australia Day Ambassador, followed by some entertainment and the presentation of our special community awards.

We anticipate that the proceedings will be completed by around 11am so you can continue to enjoy the rest of the Australia Day celebrations.

We look forward to seeing you there. A summary of the awards will be provided before the event. For further information contact johnr.duscher@gmail.com

John Duscher OAM, Wonthaggi Rotary Club Australia Day Committee

Vox Pop

Are you sick of hearing about Harry and Meghan?



Erica Begg

"I don't really hear about it and when I do see it on covers of magazines, I just don't investigate it, so I don't know anything about them."



Ian Rasmussen

"Yes, I am a little tired of hearing about it all. It's simply a family feud that doesn't need every detail continually publicised."



Terry Hall

"Are we sick of it, absolutely. Are we surprised that everything is televised all over the world, no not really."



Lynn Seymour

"Yes, I am sick of hearing about it; however, I think the press have a lot to answer for, they have way too much involvement."

The 'Sentinel-Times' encourages readers to write with issues of interest or concern but letters that have a local reference point will be given priority. Writers are also urged to be brief where possible. Letters may be edited for space and legal reasons, and must be submitted with the author's name and contact details of which only the name and town location will appear.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Add Mirboo North Pool to your summer list

AFTER undergoing a major revamp, the Mirboo North Outdoor Pool has made a huge 'splash' with locals.

The \$5.73M project, completed in late 2021, included remedial work to the main pool and learn to swim pool, as well as the construction of new wet deck gutters, pool lining and disabled access.

The existing toddler's pool was replaced by a new splash pad with an assortment of water play features.

A new pavilion with community program room, kiosk, change rooms and family rooms were also constructed.

The opening season commenced from November 26, 2022 and finalises March 13, 2023.

The facility also features a nine lane 25 metre pool, a completely shaded splash park, and electric barbecues for all to enjoy.

The Sentinel-Times made a quick trip to the pool amid the gorgeous summer weather last week, chatting to duty manager Jess.

Jess is a Mirboo North local and has worked at the pool for the past two seasons while also working at the Leongatha Indoor Pool.

"There's busy days and cruisy days, it's a lovely pool," she said.

"It's been bit of a slow start but now that it's warming up it has been getting busier."

"People seem to be really enjoying the new facilities and it's great to work at."

Jess noted they were averaging around 100 visitors per day while the weather is hot...

She highlighted there's also plenty of programs run at the pool including group fitness classes.

Friends of the Mirboo North Swimming Pool will also be proudly presenting the Mirboo North Idol and Movie Night on Saturday, February 4, 2023.

The event will feature live music and a huge pool inflatable.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/mirboonorthswimmingpool/



Mirboo North Outdoor Pool duty manager Jess and life-guard Flynn are loving the summer weather as they keep a close eye on pool visitors. Ns010323



Phillip Island and District Railway Modellers annual exhibition will be held on January 21-22.

All aboard! Next stop Railway Modellers exhibition

THE Phillip Island and District Railway Modellers will be holding their annual exhibition on January 21-22, at the Senior Citizens Hall in Lions Court, Cowes.

On Saturday the exhibition will be open to the public from 10am until 5pm, and on Sunday the hours are 10am to 4pm.

There will be models large and small, old and new, simple and sophisticated.

Some exhibits will delight the meticulous, while others should offer encouragement to those with two left thumbs. The important thing is to enjoy yourself.

There will be 13 exhibits with all but two having been constructed by club members.

Our ever-popular U-drive layout for the kids will feature Thomas and Percy.

Whilst David will bring back fond memories of running a model railway on the dining room table with his vintage trains.

Prototypes modelled cover Australia, USA and the UK.

Exhibits have been constructed in a range of scales ranging from very small to large.

The two visiting exhibits comprise a Victorian Railways shunting layout and a larger scale British narrow gauge railway.

New and second-hand models and accessories will be for sale to suit rank beginners and experts, the rich and the poor, and those of us who get along somewhere in the middle.

Whatever the weather, kids of all ages can look forward to enjoying time at the show.

And please talk to the exhibitors; they never tire of talking to anyone who takes an interest.

The crew from the Seniors Club will be with us on Saturday, to see if you can resist the smells and sounds of a sausage sizzle – so come hungry.

And in a first for the club, exhibition attendees will be able to choose from a hard copy exhibition guide or a digital version obtained from via a QR code.

Further information can be obtained from Martin Murden, contact 0416 186 589.

• WHAT WE LOVE ABOUT OUR TOWN

RAISING a family in Bass Coast creates an incredible connection to the land and the ocean, allowing parents to demonstrate the importance of looking after the environment in day-to-day principles.

Making the move from Melbourne, many families are drawn to Bass Coast for its safe beaches, coastal walking tracks and small community schools, and as a family we feel drawn to look after our coast and maintain its beauty to the best of our ability.

Removing the use of single waste plastics within the home, recycling appropriately and following the rules of the three-bin system in Bass Coast.

Living in a small town brings community connection, connection through movement, arts, and music, and with the access to surf breaks, local pilates classes, music lessons and creative arts, the entire family can dive deep into their

By Nicole May,
Sentinel-Times reporter

own personal passions.

San Remo boasts pristine beaches with calm waters - ideal for safe swimming, jet-skiing or stand-up paddleboarding and is only walking distance to the main town for boutique shopping, the local library, or bike paths for those daytrips in the sunshine.

Despite the growth in San Remo, the town holds character and charm, making it a hot spot for tourists in the summertime, but if visiting the township remember this is the place we call home, so appreciate the coastline and keep in mind the ways in which you can minimise your footprint.

RIGHT: Phillip Island is home to secluded beaches that boast beautiful sunsets in the summertime. Z13_4922



Let's Get Riding! E Bike Sales & Hire

HIRE Half day and Full day, online bookings. E Bike, helmet and lock included.

SALES We have a terrific stock E Bikes including step through, mountain, folding and trikes. Call in for a test ride.

ACCESSORIES We sell carriers, helmets, baskets, tyres, tubes and Zefal products.

Our retail store is located at the beginning of the Great Southern Rail Trail, in Leongatha.

Book
online
today!

GREAT SOUTHERN RIDE

www.greatsouthernride.com.au 70 Bair Street, Leongatha 0468 477 043

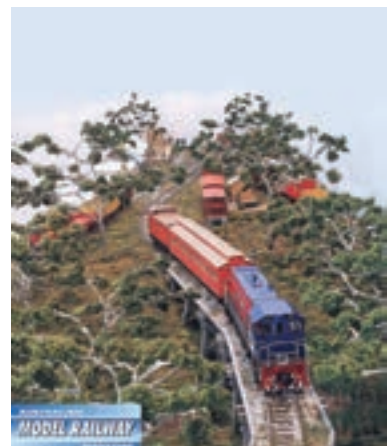
Model Trains

January 21 & 22

**Senior Citizens Hall
Lions Court, Cowes**

Sat - 10am-5pm • Sun - 10am-4pm
Adult \$8 Children \$5 Family \$20

Presented by Phillip Island & District Railway Modellers.





Shirley Osman of Kricklewood Soaps held a stall at the Inverloch Twilight Market at The Glade on Wednesday evening, selling a range of air fresheners, cleaning products and candles. Z05_0323



Christine and Hughesy of Hughesy's Nuts and Caramel attended the Inverloch Twilight Market to showcase their freshly roasted nuts onsite at The Glade. Z06_0323



Jeremy and Amelia of Silverwind farm - a beef producer from Mirboo, sold their range of fresh meats at the Inverloch Twilight Market on Wednesday evening. Z07_0323



Greg Connell and Chris Cole of Dim Sims Peninsula enjoyed the atmosphere of the summer Twilight Market in Inverloch at The Glade on Wednesday evening. Z09_0323



Trish, Tony, Josie, and Phillip of UC food 2 Go were selling fresh calamari, fries and homemade lemonade to the crowd at the Inverloch Twilight Market on Wednesday. Z10_0323



Heidi of Divine Crystal Wings and Erica of Alorah enjoyed a quick lunch break between clients on Saturday at The Hub. C05_0323



The very talented Rimsha was on hand at the Expo with her henna and face painting skills. C07_0323



Tootgarook visitors Ros and Lindsay Sumpton enjoy the Leongatha Art Show. A10_0323



Dianne and John Schelling at the Leongatha Art & Photography Show. A12_0323

Snapped Out

Pictures of you and your friends at the Inverloch Twilight Market at The Glade, Psychic & Wellbeing Expo Inverloch, Westernport Field & Game Stan McFee Memorial Shoot and Leongatha Art & Photography Show.



Marcus, Brianna, Billy, and Fred of Lime & Co were selling their delicious range of Mexican cuisines at the Inverloch Twilight Market on Wednesday night. Z08_0323



The Little Witch Co's Alexandra was showcasing an array of goods at Inverloch's Psychic & Wellness Expo on Saturday. C04_0323



A family affair, mother and daughter duo, Thea and Joyce-Kay from Divine Heart and Soul of Croydon assisted guests at the door whilst also hosting their own exhibition inside. C06_0323



John Passarin and Shane McRae alongside Westernport Field & Game President Rob Passarin after the day's memorial shoot. C09_0323



Bron and Ray Dahlstrom after Leongatha Art & Photography Show judge Ray determined the winners. A11_0323



Deborah Yanz of Pioneer Bay with her work 'Silk Road Sisters' in Leongatha. A13_0323



Trish Hart of The Gurdies with her painting 'The Soaring Flight of the Albatross'. A14_0323



Catherine and Manola Baars with Catherine's acrylic painting 'Ascension' in Leongatha. A15_0323

Sentinel-Times

>>> ORDER THESE AND OTHER PHOTOS 5672 1888

Bass Coast Fine Film Group presents "Margrete: Queen of The North"

AT 10.45am, Sunday, January 22, the BCFFG is screening "Margrete: Queen of the North", nominated for 13 awards at the Danish Academy Awards, and written and directed by leading Danish director, Charlotte Sieling.

Set in 1402, the film tells the remarkable true story of Queen Margrete who achieved what no man had previously achieved: the union of Denmark, Sweden and Norway. As a woman, she is not allowed to directly govern, but does so through her adopted son, King Erik. During plans to broker a marriage between Erik and the English princess Philippa (daughter of Henry V), a mysterious man appears at court claiming to be her long lost, presumed dead, biological son. Should his claim to the throne be successful, all of Margrete's careful planning could end in failure.

Royal intrigue, power games, and betrayal are all stunningly recreated in the largest and most expensive film produced in Danish history.

Screening at 10.45am on Sunday, January 22, at the Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre, 96 Graham Street, Wonthaggi. Details and trailer for the film are available through the BCFFG website: <https://bcffgfilms.weebly.com/margrete-queen-of-the-north.html>

BCFFG Members entry is free on presentation of membership card; general public welcome with tickets at usual box office prices.

On the subject of membership, the Bass Coast Fine Film Group is open to accept new members for 2023, so if you haven't joined before and love quality foreign film, now is the time to check the website and find out about how to become a member:

<https://basscoastfinefilmgroup.weebly.com/membership.html>

Already a member or a previous member? - it's time to renew. For \$65 per year, you gain free admittance to any or all of the twelve films scheduled for 2023. Plus, get tickets to other films at concession prices and offers for other screening events throughout the year.

The Bass Coast Fine Film Group is proudly sponsored and supported by the Bass Coast Shire.



There's plenty to explore at the Alison Lester Gallery. A10_0223

Busy times for Alison Lester Gallery



Tessa, Gordon and Noelle Burdekin with the books they bought at the Alison Lester Gallery. A08_0223



Tom and Ellie Pascoe enjoy a visit to the Alison Lester Gallery, with Ellie a big fan of her work. A09_0223

MICHAELA Dempsey of Fish Creek's Alison Lester Gallery is delighted with the influx of visitors to the town and shop over the Christmas holidays.

She said it is great to see people out enjoying themselves, whether from the local region, Melbourne, interstate or overseas.

Featuring the writing and illustrations of Alison Lester, the gallery is a drawcard for her existing young fans and their families.

Many new visitors to town discover her children's stories and illustrations, while some buy for relatives overseas to give them a glimpse of farm or beach life, Michaela said.

Alison's book 'Magic Beach', inspired by the beaches of Walkerville, remains in demand after more than 20 years.

Her new book, 'A Tiny Light' is also popular, having been released in November.

Inverloch's Gordon and Noelle Burdekin bought a book for their grandchildren, with Noelle noting the joy of buying local stories, while Tessa Burdekin got a book for her nephew.

Tessa, herself an author of fantasy and adventure stories, said she grew up with books like Alison's and loves how she "finds the wonder in simple things".

Melbourne's Tom Pascoe brought daughter Ellie in for a look, with the family holidaying in Inverloch.

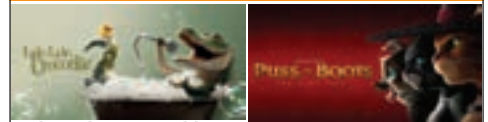
Ellie loves the colourful pictures in Alison's books, with 'Imagine' and 'Noni the Pony' among her favourites.

WONTHAGGI UNION COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE

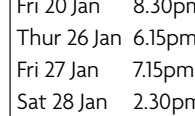
What's On?

See all our cinema session times and pre-book tickets via our website. www.wonthaggiartscentre.com.au

Summer Cinema!



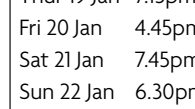
Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile [G]		Puss in Boots: The Last Wish [PG]	
Tue 17 Jan	10.00am	Tue 17 Jan	12.15pm
	2.30pm		4.45pm
Wed 18 Jan	12.15pm	Wed 18 Jan	10.00am
	4.45pm		2.30pm
Thur 19 Jan	10.00am	Thur 19 Jan	12.15pm
Fri 20 Jan	12.15pm		5.00pm
Sat 21 Jan	3.15pm	Fri 20 Jan	2.30pm
Sun 22 Jan	4.15pm	Sat 21 Jan	10.00am
Wed 25 Jan	10.00am	Sun 22 Jan	2.00pm
		Tue 24 Jan	3.30pm
		Wed 25 Jan	5.30pm
		Fri 27 Jan	10.00am
		Sat 28 Jan	12.15pm
		Sun 29 Jan	4.00pm



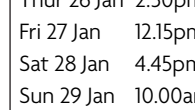
The Lost King [M]
Thur 19 Jan 2.30pm
Fri 20 Jan 8.30pm
Thur 26 Jan 6.15pm
Fri 27 Jan 7.15pm
Sat 28 Jan 2.30pm



Avatar: The Way of Water [M]
Tue 17 Jan 7.00pm
Wed 18 Jan 7.00pm
Thur 19 Jan 7.15pm
Fri 20 Jan 4.45pm
Sat 21 Jan 7.45pm
Sun 22 Jan 6.30pm
Tue 24 Jan 5.45pm
Wed 25 Jan 7.45pm
Thur 26 Jan 2.30pm
Fri 27 Jan 12.15pm
Sat 28 Jan 4.45pm
Sun 29 Jan 10.00am



The Railway Children Return [PG]
Fri 20 Jan 10.00am
Sat 21 Jan 5.30pm
Tue 24 Jan 1.15pm
Wed 25 Jan 3.15pm
Sat 28 Jan 10.00am
Sun 29 Jan 1.45pm

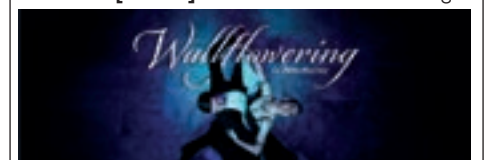


The Fabelmans [M]
Sat 21 Jan 12.15pm
Tue 24 Jan 10.00am
Wed 25 Jan 12.15pm
Fri 27 Jan 4.00pm
Sat 28 Jan 8.30pm
Sun 29 Jan 6.15pm

Bass Coast Fine Film Group Screening Sun 22 Jan 10.45am



Margrete: Queen of the North [MA15+]
2h00m [Danish] Director: Charlotte Sieling



LIVE THEATRE - Wallflowering by Peta Murray
Tue 18 April 2.00pm
www.trybooking.com/BEAVJ

\$25 Adults / \$20 Concession / \$15 Groups
A delightfully amusing and poignant play about the nature of marriage, the pursuit of happiness and the perfect foxtrot! Acclaimed Director Denny Lawrence known for Blue Heelers and A Country Practice, takes us on a theatrical journey looking back over the life and love of Peg and Cliff, once prize-winning ballroom dancers.

Find the full calendar of events and sessions on our website



BASS COAST
Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre
96 Graham St, Wonthaggi 3995
phone: 03 5671 2470 find us on Facebook



10.45am SUNDAY 22nd JANUARY
MARGRETE: QUEEN OF THE NORTH

A gripping historical drama based on true events. Set in 1402, Queen Margrete governs indirectly through her adopted son, but what happens when her presumed dead biological son returns?

General public welcome. Members Free Entry!

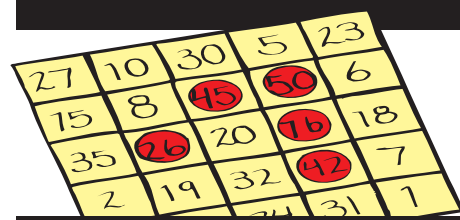
@ WONTHAGGI UNION CINEMA
96 Graham Street, Wonthaggi.

Check the website for more info:
basscoastfinefilmgroup.weebly.com

WONTHAGGI BINGO



Workmen's Club Thursday nights



Eyes down at 8pm
Raffles, Door prizes,
Lucky number jackpot

3mFM Bingo... Now both Wednesday & Thursday

30 Games! Volunteers needed to help make our Bingo even better!



Safer number plates

THE State Government is introducing a new in-built security feature in general-issue number plates, which will reduce crime and number plate theft and benefit all Victorians.

Rolled out Friday, December 30, the Directional Security Markings embedded in the surface of new general issue number plates will provide an extra level of authentication, making it harder for them to be illegally copied.

VicRoads has been working closely with Victoria Police and the Department of Justice and Community Safety on a solution to combat number plate theft and cloning.

With growing number plate theft in Victoria, the new design features a 'VIC' logo within a small circle – with the security markings unable to be removed by chemical or physical means from the sheeting or finished sticker without causing irreparable damage to the reflective system.

This new style plate aims to stop criminals creating duplicate number plates and placing them on a vehicle of the same make and model as the original, avoiding apprehension for any crimes they commit while driving that vehicle.

The markings are similar to holograms embedded in the production of Australian banknotes and will ensure that unauthorised reproduction of number plates is impossible.

New security markings will appear on about 430,000 new number plates per year including all general issue standard car number plates, trailer number plates, Commonwealth Government "Z" number plates and Ministerial number plates.

Victorians will see the new number plates released gradually onto roads as new vehicles are registered, and new number plates are issued.

There will be no extra cost to drivers who order standard-issue plates with new security markings.



New used car ratings reveal safest vehicles on the market

VICTORIANS in the market for a used car are being urged to prioritise safety, with the release of the 2022 Used Car Safety Ratings.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne said this year's ratings show that people driving in the lowest rated car are eight times more likely to die or be seriously injured in a crash than people travelling in the highest rated car.

The Used Car Safety Ratings (UCSR), released annually by Monash University Accident Research Centre, make it simple

for Victorians to choose the safest used car in their budget, across all vehicle categories.

Of the 389 vehicles rated, 55 received a five-star rating, and 13 were awarded 'Safer Pick' status. Fifty-nine models were rated 'poor' (two stars), and a further 59 were 'very poor' (one star).

The age of a vehicle continues to be a significant factor, largely because safety features such as auto emergency braking, lane keep assist, electronic stability control and side curtain airbags are not as common on older cars.

Of the 125 drivers and passengers who have died on Victoria's roads so far this year, more than half (65) have involved vehicles aged 10 years or older.

Encouragingly, Transport Accident Commission's latest Road Safety Monitor survey revealed Victorians are increasingly prioritising safety, with 70 per cent of respondents considering safety features the most important factor when buying a vehicle.

MUARC calculated the 2022 UCSR by analysing the records from more than 9 million vehicles in police-reported road

crashes in New Zealand and Australia between 1987 and 2020. The ratings consider the protection cars offer to drivers in a crash, harm to other road users, combined crashworthiness and crash risk.

The annual ratings update is overseen by the Vehicle Safety Research Group (VRSG), on which the Victorian Government is represented by the TAC and Department of Transport.

To browse the ratings and search for a safe used car, visit the TAC's [howsafeisyourcar.com.au](https://www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au).

— Korumburra's 38th annual swap meet —



Vintage and classics were on display at the Korumburra showgrounds for the annual swap meet. Z48_0223



The Korumburra showgrounds were filled with classic cars and car enthusiasts from Melbourne and interstate on Sunday, January 8 for the annual swap meet. Z47_0223

--- MOTORING CLASSIFIEDS ---

AUTO ELECTRICS

Wonthaggi
AUTO-LEC
Auto Electrical repairs
82 Graham St, WONTHAGGI
5672 1404

TYRES

Tyrepower
GET THE POWER OF AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST INDEPENDENT
5672 5760
78 Watt Street,
WONTHAGGI
www.tyrepower.com.au

MECHANICS

T&G Mechanical
Repairs
25 Sanders Street
KORUMBURRA
5658 1177

ADVERTISING

**Want to
advertise
your
business?**

\$52 per month, this space
could be yours!
Secure your spot now.
Phone 5672 1888.



SUDOKU

Level: HARD

			3				8	
8		9	7	5	2			
			8			2		
9	7							
			5	2		8		7
			4					1
3			6	1			2	5
4		7					9	
				3	4	7	1	8

Instructions:

Only the numbers from 1 through to 9 can be used. Each 3x3 box can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once. Each vertical column can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once. Each horizontal row can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once.

CALCUDOKU

Level: MEDIUM

19 +	2				1 -	28 x	4				1 -	6
18 x			23 +	8	9		9 +				4	5
13 +			18 +	7	6	15 +			5 -		20 +	8
8			6	2 /			9	4				
1	12 +	2	60 x	4			1 -	23 +				
3 /	9				32 x		4	6	18 +		5	11 +
		5 -	4	9	18 +						2	8
14 +		6	1	2			3 -			14 +		4
3 -	5		12 +			6	13 +				9	7

Instructions:

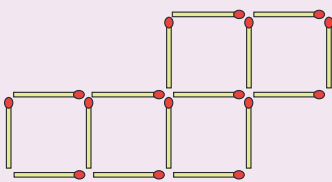
Sourced from: www.edu-games.org

Every row and column must contain the numbers 1 to 9 once each, with each outlined section equal to the number in the top left of the area when the noted mathematical operation is used.

TIP: For subtraction and division, start with the largest number in the section.

MATCHSTICK PUZZLE

This pattern is made up of 16 matchsticks to make five squares. Can you remove two matchsticks to leave four equal squares?



CROSSWORD

1	2	3	4			5	6	7	8		9	10	11	12
13					14						15			
16					17						18			
19				20					21	22				
			23					24						
25	26	27					28					29	30	
31					32	33					34			35
36						37						38		
39			40		41				42		43			
	44			45				46	47					
			48					49						
50	51	52					53					54	55	56
57					58	59					60			
61					62						63			
64					65						66			

ACROSS

- 1 Baby's bed
- 5 Prayer ending
- 9 Wine bottle
- 13 Angel's head ring
- 14 Extra tire
- 15 Cain killed him
- 16 Plain
- 17 Assume
- 18 Small breads
- 19 Muscat wine
- 21 Gargantuan
- 23 Sonata
- 24 Plateau
- 25 Displayer of emotions
- 28 Deplores
- 31 Lad
- 32 Doors
- 34 Shipshape
- 36 Ozone
- 37 Vane direction
- 38 Abridged (abbr.)
- 39 Luge
- 41 Giant in 'Princess Bride'
- 43 Big hairdo
- 44 Workplaces
- 46 Hunted animal
- 48 Potter's oven

- 49 Entry
50 Arm covering
53 Regions
57 Stave off
58 Movie "King"
60 Adjoin
61 Bullets
62 Sandwich cookies
brand
63 Enjoy
64 Sport group
65 Salamander
66 Ooze

DOWN

- | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 1 | Friend | 41 | airplane wing |
| 2 | Prego's | 42 | Time periods |
| | competition | 43 | In the air (pl.) |
| 3 | Evils | 45 | Division (abbr.) |
| 4 | Refuse | 47 | Spoil |
| | patronage of | 49 | Place for storage |
| 5 | Niches | 50 | Spank |
| 6 | Mangle | 51 | Maimed |
| 7 | Stray | 52 | Writer Bombeck |
| 8 | Brother's sons | 53 | Killed |
| 9 | Barter | 54 | Off-Broadway |
| 10 | Band instrument | | award |
| 11 | Narrate | 55 | Use a microwave |
| 12 | Member of an | 56 | Stair |
| | alliance | 59 | Be |

- 14 Stitch
20 Copy
22 North American
nation
24 Measure
25 Omelette need
26 What you eat
27 Beginning
28 Ties
29 Green
30 Sword
33 Xe
35 Walked
40 Duchy
41 Airfoil on
airplane wing
42 Time periods
43 In the air (pl.)
45 Division (abbr.)
47 Spoil
49 Place for storage
50 Spank
51 Maimed
52 Writer Bombeck
53 Killed
54 Off-Broadway
award
55 Use a microwav
56 Stair
59 Be

MAGIC SQUARES

Instructions:

1. You have to fill in the numbers 1 ~ 16 in the puzzle.
2. You can only use the numbers once.
3. The sum of the numbers in the rows, columns and the diagonal must be the same as the numbers that are printed around the puzzle

Sourced from: www.edu-games.org

			3	31
				32
				30
		1		43
55	28	20	33	33

Quick Crossword:

1	B	E	S	O	M	S		3	C	A	L	A	I	S	
			U	O						G		N			
5	O	S	C	A	R		6	B	R	A	G	G	E	D	
								A		I		L			
10	U	S	E	L	E	S				11	N	I	E	C	
	P		S							S				R	
			12	O	L	I	C	I	T	13	R				
15					I									16	B
17	W		18	R	O	N		19	L	U	C	I	F	E	
	E		W		H			L		E		U		A	
21	L	E	N	G	T	H	Y			22	L	E	T	I	N
	V		U		E						L	O	E	D	
	E	X	P	I	R	E				24	B	O	L	D	L

Sudoku:

6	4	8	2	1	9	7	3	5
7	3	9	6	4	5	2	8	1
2	5	1	7	8	3	9	6	4
8	7	4	1	5	6	3	2	9
3	1	6	4	9	2	8	5	7
5	9	2	8	3	7	4	1	6
4	6	7	5	2	8	1	9	3
1	8	3	9	6	4	5	7	2
9	2	5	3	7	1	6	4	8

Code Cracker:

[illegible]

Word Search:

J A T A E H Q P E O N V B K G R X
F S R Q E G V A S U N S H I N E R
Y Q F E N C K V H V T W J C Q E
U M Y Z R V J S U N S C R E E N Y
E K D V D W Y A Y O D G X C U T M
S R O O D T U O N W P S J R R G V
C F I Y Q A N Y H U C S H E Q N Z
G G G G E U C E B R A B V A X I K
H O L I D A Y S I N O R V M T M A
C B E A C H X I D F C K Y R L M W
E P I W G U T F M U E G B O G I Z
H Y J Q L R R Y W O A O T Q W S
P S S U R F I N G X N P U W X S U

Word wheel: 4 letter words: BILL, BOIL, HILL, HILT, HINT, INTO, LILO, LILT, LINO, LINT, LION, LOIN, OBIT, THIN, TILL, TOIL
5 letter words: BLINI **7 letter words:** BILLION **9 Letter word:** BILLIONTH

QUIZ: Who wants to be a Squillionaire?

AUSTRALIAN OPEN QUIZ

1. **[\$100]** Who won the men's singles title in 2019, 2020 and 2021?
A. Novak Djokovic. B. Roger Federer.
C. Rafael Nadal. D. Stan Wawrinka.
2. **[\$200]** Which player has won the most Australian Open women's singles titles? A. Nancie Wynne Bolton. B. Margaret Court. C. Evonne Goolagong. D. Serena Williams.
3. **[\$300]** Who is the youngest winner of the Australian Open women's singles title? A. Martina Hingis.
B. Angelique Kerber. C. Mary Pierce.
D. Monica Seles.
4. **[\$500]** Which trophy is awarded to the winner of the Australian Open women's singles title?
A. Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup.
B. Evonne Goolagong Memorial Cup.
C. Margaret Court Memorial Cup.
D. Nancie Wynne Bolton Memorial Cup.
5. **[\$1000]** Which trophy is awarded to the Australian Open men's singles champion? A. McClelland Trophy.
B. Norman Brookes Challenge Cup.
C. Provan-Summons Trophy.
D. Stonehaven Cup.
6. **[\$2000]** Who failed a drug test at the 2016 Australian Open? A. Victoria Azarenka. B. Svetlana Kuznetsova.
C. Petra Kvitová.
D. Maria Sharapova.
7. **[\$4000]** Which company supplies the tennis balls used in the Australian Open? A. Dunlop. B. Penn.
C. Slazenger. D. Wilson.
8. **[\$8000]** Who did Mark Edmondson defeat to win the last Australian Open won by an Aussie man in 1976.
A. Jimmy Connors. B. Guillermo Vilas.
C. John Newcombe.
D. Vitas Gerulaitis.
9. **[\$16,000]** Who won the 2020 Australian Open Women's Singles Title? A. Naomi Osaka. B. Sofia Kenin.
C. Caroline Wozniacki.
D. Serena Williams.
10. **[\$32,000]** What was the official attendance of the 2020 Australian Open tournament? A. 162,174.
B. 312,174. C. 562,174. D. 812,174.
11. **[\$64,000]** Dylan Alcott has won 7 Australian Open quad titles but how many grand slam singles titles has he won in total?
A. 13. B. 15. C. 17. D. 19.
12. **[\$125,000]** How much does a first-round loser get at the Australian Open tennis? A. \$77,000. B. \$87,000.
C. \$97,000. D. \$107,000.
13. **[\$250,000]** How many Australian Open Doubles titles did Todd Woodbridge and Mark Woodforde 'The Woodies' win during their illustrious career?
A. 2. B. 3. C. 4. D. 5.
14. **[\$500,000]** When was the Australian Open last played on a grass surface?
A. 1987. B. 1990. C. 1993. D. 1996.
15. **[\$1,000,000]** First known as the Australasian Championships, when was the first tournament held?
A. 1905. B. 1910. C. 1915. D. 1920.

quiz answers: 1. A. Novak Djokovic, 2. B. Margaret Sharapova (January 2016, Positive for meldonium), 3. A. Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup, 5. B. Norman Brookes Challenge Cup, 6. D. Martina Hingis (16 years 3 months), 4. A. Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup, 7. Australian Open), 3. A. Martina Hingis (16 years 3 months), 4. A. Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup, 5. B. Norman Brookes Challenge Cup, 6. D. Martina Sharapova (January 2016, Positive for meldonium), 7. A. Dunoop, 8. C. John Newcombe (6-7 6-3 7-6 6-1), 9. B. Sofia Kenin (USA), 10. D. 812,174 (Highest attendance at any grand slam), 11. B, 15, 12. D, \$107,000, 13. A, 2, 14. A, 1987, 15. A, 1905.



The State Government is urging those looking for a home to take advantage of their Victorian Homebuyer Fund. Photo: Maria Ziegler on Unsplash

Helping hand to buy first home

LOCALS looking to buy a home have been encouraged to consider a government-backed scheme.

The State Government's \$1.6 billion Victorian Homebuyer Fund contributes up to 25 per cent of a home's purchase price, reduces the required deposit to just five per cent and eliminates the need for buyers to pay costly premiums for lender's mortgage insurance.

The fund contribution means that on average buyers backed by the scheme pay a deposit of \$35,000 on a \$630,000 property, while the fund contributes more than \$155,000. The fund contribution on a home valued at the maximum \$950,000 would be up to \$237,500.

Separate to the Homebuyer Fund, the Labor Government provides grants and stamp duty rebates and concessions for tens of thousands of first-home buyers each year.

Participants in the scheme can buy back the Government's share in the property over time.

Applicants can earn up to \$128,000 or \$204,000 as a couple, while the maximum purchase price is \$950,000 in metropolitan Melbourne and Geelong, and \$600,000 in other parts of regional Victoria.

To provide a greater level of support to the Indigenous community, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Victorians only require a 3.5 per cent deposit and are eligible for a 35 per cent shared equity contribution.

For more information on the fund, go to sro.vic.gov.au/homebuyer.



Building approval numbers from the ABS reflect the latest string of economic pressures faced by the building and construction industry.

Pressure continues to build

NOVEMBER quarter building approval numbers from the ABS reflect the latest string of economic pressures faced by the building and construction industry says Master Builders Australia CEO Denita Wawn.

"The total number of approvals fell by 9.0 per cent during November, and are now 15.1 per cent lower than a year ago," said Ms Wawn.

"The latest building approvals data is concerning, and it's clear that we are facing significant challenges which need to be addressed head-on if we want to weather the storm and see a sustainable recovery.

"For detached houses, there was a 2.5 per cent decline during the month and a 22.7 per cent drop for approvals of high density homes.

"There has been signs that detached house building approvals had stabilised but recent months indicate that they are moving downwards.

"Higher density home building approvals, which are particularly sensitive to interest rate movements, had shown momentum during 2021 but this is now on the way down.

"A number of factors are making it difficult for new home building, including rising interest rates coupled with labour and material shortages.

"We must not be complacent in addressing some of the systemic challenges on the supply-side which continue to ripple through the economy.

"Builders continue to advocate for an increase to the migration cap and changes to the migration system that make Australia a more attractive place to live and work, and complementing this with improvements to domestic vocational education and training," said Ms Wawn.

"A number of factors are making it difficult for new home building, including rising interest rates coupled with labour and material shortages."

— Denita Wawn

Prepare your property for fires

AS SUMMER heats up, the Victorian Building Authority (VBA) is urging homeowners to make sure they are prepared during fire season.

The VBA wants Victorians to take the necessary steps to make sure they are protected from bushfires.

The VBA's State Building Surveyor Andrew Cialini said Victoria is one of the most bushfire prone areas in the world, so it is important to make sure you prepare your home early.

"Being prepared early is key, don't wait until it's too late, start updating your survival plans now and get your home ready for fire season," he said.

Mr Cialini said homeowners can get in contact with a Registered Building Practitioner to see how they can retrofit their properties with additional safety features, as part of their bushfire survival plan.

Removing any overhanging tree branches, keeping grass short and cleaning up other debris near your home that could easily catch fire are other useful ways to reduce fire risk.

It is also important to make sure your property is accessible for emergency vehicles and has a water supply for firefighting.

While building standards reduce the risk of ignition of homes in the state's bushfire-prone areas, it is important to note that it does not guarantee a building will survive the unpredictable nature of a bushfire. Maintenance of the house surrounds plays an important part in bushfire safety.

Find out more ways to keep your home safe from bushfire on the VBA website and tips on home protection from the Country Fire Authority.

"Being prepared early is key, don't wait until it's too late, start updating your survival plans now and get your home ready for fire season."

— Andrew Cialini

Real Estate

ELEVATED HOME ON DOUBLE SIZE BLOCK

LOCH

- 3-bedroom, open plan home, revamped kitchen
- Huge 1812m2 block with subdivision potential (STCA)
- Wood heater, 2 x split system reverse cycle
- Lovely outdoor entertaining area with open fire
- Office/studio with established gardens & lawn
- Lock up shed, garden shed, woodshed

Price \$720,000

Elders Web ID: 300P101665

GREAT INVESTMENT OR IDEAL FAMILY HOME

KORUMBURRA

- 4-bedroom, 2-bathroom home
- Open plan & spacious living area
- Ducted gas heating & split system reverse cycle
- Fully fenced yard, undercover patio
- Double auto roller garage for storage
- Great location in the Daisybank Estate

Price \$550,000 - \$590,000

Elders Web ID: 300P101126

QUALITY GRAZING / FATTENING PROPERTY | 320 ACRES

BENA

- Highly productive 'Bluegum' heavy carrying country
- New fencing to 7 paddocks, central all-weather laneway
- Water via dams, springs, creeks plus 40" annual rainfall
- Superb 'Allex' steel stockyards & vet crush
- 2 x old houses & machinery shedding
- Treed shelter belts, plantations & scattered gums

Price \$3.9 Million

Elders Web ID: 300P105150

GRAZING PROPERTIES WANTED

- 100 to 500 acres
- Genuine buyers for Leongatha, Fish Creek & surrounding areas
- All enquiries treated strictly confidential

For a no obligation FREE sales appraisal please contact

Don Olden on 0417 805 312 or Katrina Griggs on 0428 571 083

Elders Korumburra

11 Commercial St - Ph 5658 1894

Don Olden 0417 805 312

Sharon Turton

(Property Manager)

0439 383 091

Elders Leongatha

37 Bair St - Ph 5662 3523

Katrina Griggs 0428 571 083

eldersrealestate.com.au

Exceptional views from farm to ocean

POSITIONED in one of Victoria's most productive agricultural regions with sweeping views across the property to Anderson Inlet, and beyond to the seaside towns of Venus Bay and Inverloch, this 50 ha/124 acres* of livestock grazing will please the most discerning buyer.

- Well balanced with the grazing flats leading to a gentle rise, offering exceptional house sites (STCA).
- 50ha/124 acres* - 2 Titles.
- Excellent fencing throughout with four paddocks and partial lane-way in place.
- Stock water by way of four natural catchment dams in secure high rainfall district.
- Productive pastures, good fertiliser history and tree shelters.
- Bitumen road frontage to property with flats leading to gently higher paddocks with beautiful house sites offering stunning expansive views to the coast and beyond.
- Currently run-in conjunction with an adjoining beef enterprise, this property is ideal for hay and silage, breeder or fattening cattle or turn out block for dairy stock. (No stock yards on this property at present).

A rare opportunity to secure a grazing parcel of land that offers an opportunity to farm, and enjoy a lifestyle with beautiful views, beaches, fishing at Anderson Inlet and an easy drive to South Gippsland's major townships.

Ideally located 10 minutes' drive to Inverloch, 15 min. to Venus Bay and Leongatha, 20 min. to Wonthaggi, 90 min. Melbourne S.E suburbs and 2hrs* to Melbourne CBD.

For further information and to arrange a personal inspection, please contact Irene Walker SEJ Livestock & Real Estate 0429 045 632

For a Due Diligence Checklist go to: consumer.vic.gov.au/duediligence-checklist

*Denotes Approximately



Livestock

50ha/124 acres

823 Koonwarra-Pound Creek Rd,
Pound Creek
For Sale \$1,995,000
Agent SEJ Real Estate
Irene Walker 0429 045 632

LIVESTOCK & REAL ESTATE
A NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS PARTNER

YOUR LOCAL REAL ESTATE & LIVESTOCK SPECIALISTS

KONGWAK

- 'Domhnullach'
- 27 acres of Blue Gum Grazing
- Ideal for cattle & horses
- Ex fencing, water, spring fed dams
- 3 bed, 1 bath, 2 car home
- Peaceful, sheltered & productive

\$1,500,000

BUFFALO

- 82 ha / 203 acres approx. with additional 10ha / 25 ac crown lease
- Undulating to rolling grazing with 360' views
- Abundant water via spring fed dams and natural catchment
- Ideal for hay & silage, cattle, breeders, fattening or dairy young stock
- Good stock yards with lane access, Norton crush and b double truck access
- Hay shedding, smaller assorted sundry shedding & ideal house sites

\$3,045,000

BEING A POINT OF DIFFERENCE IS WHAT SEJ BRINGS TO REAL ESTATE

Buying, selling, succession planning estate sales, personalised confidential discussions, you can be assured of Irene's communication, commitment & care.

www.sej.com.au

SOUTH GIPPSLAND HWY, LEONGATHA

PHONE 5662 4033

IRENE WALKER

0429 045 632

iwalker@sej.com.au

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SENTINEL-TIMES | TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 | 29



Breathtaking location with views

AN ABSOLUTELY breathtaking location, directly above one of the Island's most spectacular surf breaks, affords this unique clifftop property with spectacular uninterrupted views of Berry's Beach and surrounding headlands.

Idyllically situated within the natural environment, a haven for local fauna and birdlife and surrounded by approximately 2.5 acres (8361 sqm) of coastal inspired landscaped gardens with your own mod grass tennis court, this sensational contemporary coastal retreat has been brilliantly designed to provide ocean views from every room.

Polished timber floors, high ceilings and extensive use of glass to the north and south accentuate the bright inviting ambience through the spacious open plan living and dining room with open fireplace and a well-equipped kitchen. Sliding doors open to expansive decks on both sides offering sheltered year-round outdoor entertaining options.

Three bedrooms with BIRs and two bathrooms includes master with stunning ensuite featuring a deep relaxing bath overlooking the ocean. Features include electric heating, laundry, outdoor shower, double garage, storage and ornamental lake.

Call Alex Scott & Staff today on 5952 2633 to arrange a private inspection, you will not be disappointed!



3

2

2

2.5 acres

3 Glamis Road, **Ventnor**

For Sale Expressions of Interest

Agent Alex Scott & Staff

Cowes Office - 5952 2633

Private grazing block - 205 acres

THIS near flat grazing block is located in the heart of South Gippsland prime dairy and beef grazing districts. Just 7km to Leongatha and central to Korumburra and Inverloch, this turnout block is a rare commodity in the current market of rural land availability in the region.

The property is 205 acres with approximately 15 acres of native bush and 190 acres of grazing land.

The bush is located at the entrance to the property, giving the infrastructure and land privacy from the sealed road frontage.

The stock water is via several dams across the property (as well as tank storage) and there is a central laneway servicing access through the middle of the farm.

There are stock yards with crush and loading race near the entrance to the farm, as well as two sheds which include storage for hay, lock up workshop and managers 'lunchroom' which features solar power with battery storage, wood heater and gas stove.

The property is a convenient drive approximately 15 minutes from one of Victoria's largest cattle selling yards in Koonwarra.

If you are looking for a great turnout block for your dairy or beef farming enterprise, then make sure you book in a time to inspect this property.



Livestock

82.96ha

575 Andersons Rd, **Leongatha Sth**

For Sale \$2,950,000

Agent Alex Scott & Staff

Andrew Newton 0402 940 320

Emily Clifford 0422 622 299

LEONGATHA SOUTH	KORUMBURRA	WOOLAMAI	WONTHAGGI
			
575 Andersons Road <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 205 acres prime flat grazing land• Private block with 15 acres of bush at front• 5 minutes from Leongatha \$2,950,000 Contact: Leongatha Office	33 Riflebutts Road <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 years old, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms• 3 living areas, 2 outdoor ent. areas• Secure backyard, new 5.5 x 5.5m shed \$770,000-\$779,000 Contact: Korumburra Office	760 Turnbull-Woolamai Road <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stunning 2.3 Acres (approx.)• Large shed EOI Closing Feb. 8, 2023 at 2pm (unless sold prior) Contact: Grantville Office	46a Reed Crescent <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Easy walk into town, rear home• Excellent sunny location and private• 2 double bedrooms, open plan living \$499,000 Contact: Wonthaggi Office
LEONGATHA	NYORA	GRANTVILLE	WONTHAGGI
			
24 Willow Grove <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom, 2 car garage• 2 living areas (1 could be 4th bedroom)• As new locally built home \$735,000 Contact: Leongatha Office	1270 McDonalds Track <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 bedroom house on 10 acres• 2 living areas, covered outdoor area• Shedding & views to Westernport Bay \$1,095,000 Contact: Korumburra Office	167 Grantville-Glen Alvie Rd <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brick home, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms• Stunning rural views on 3.3 acres (approx.)• Double garage plus 8m x 6m shed Contact Agent Contact: Grantville Office	1/53 Murray Street <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best spot to be ! Metres to CBD• Nice original unit faces north• 2 bedrooms plus office \$559,000 Contact: Wonthaggi Office
LEONGATHA	KORUMBURRA	GRANTVILLE	SOUTH DUDLEY
			
10 Roughead Street <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom• Super cute cottage• Low maintenance, close to CBD \$449,000 Contact: Leongatha Office	112 Isabella Boulevard <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stunning, nearly new 3 bdrm, 2 bath home• Outdoor ent. area, room for van or boat• Stylish design with quality finishes \$825,000 Contact: Korumburra Office	61 Stewart Street <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Within walking to the beach and town• 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, garage• Fully fenced, established gardens \$610,000 - \$630,000 Contact: Grantville Office	4 Thomas Court <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Modern family home in quiet location• Bright family living zone, 3 BR, 2 bath• Double garage and private rear yard \$579,000 Contact: Wonthaggi Office
OUTTRIM	KORUMBURRA	CORONET BAY	DALYSTON
			
45 Ryeburn Road <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stunning home on 11 acres• 5 bedroom, 2 bathroom• Massive shedding and more \$1,345,000 Contact: Leongatha Office	87 Mine Road <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Immaculate 3 bedroom BV home• R/C air con, kitchen/dining onto patio• Side lane access to LU garage \$524,500 Contact: Korumburra Office	2 Oceanaires Avenue <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 bedroom home on the bay!• Walking distance to beach and shop• Well presented, corner location \$530,000 Contact: Grantville Office	2-4 Mary Street <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Super tidy and extremely private• 2 sep living zones, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath• Sitting in quiet cul de Sac \$580,000 Contact: Wonthaggi Office

LEONGATHA
5662 0922
41 Bair StreetAndrew Newton 0402 940 320
Emily Clifford 0422 622 299**KORUMBURRA**
5655 1133
36 Bridge StreetChristie Nelson 0407 812 904
Scott McKenzie 0427 552 898**GRANTVILLE**
5678 8433
1505 Bass Highway
Greg Kane 0477 020 267
Nathan Cleeland 0497 114 568**WONTHAGGI**
5672 1911
Cnr Murray & Billson Streets
Dan Huther 0418 334 801
Cal Nation 0439 334 163
Mick Chambers 0418 349 783
Phil Hanley 0417 140 508

HM81441/23

SOUTH KOLORA HEREFORDS

OPEN DAY - Saturday, January 28, 2023

Over 50 years of
breeding quality
Herefords.

Poll Hereford heifers and
working age Poll Hereford Bulls
displayed on the day.



For further particulars & inspection contact:
Scott Andersen 0409 785 846 | Campbell Scott 0475 743 008

1100 INVERLOCH-KONGWAK ROAD, INVERLOCH

GG413



WATTLEWOOD ANGUS

ticking all the boxes

- ✓ Herd Book Registered
- ✓ Semen Tested
- ✓ Sire Verified
- ✓ HD50K Genotyped
- ✓ P.I. Negative
- ✓ Naturally quiet
- ✓ Zoetis Star Breeder (vacc. 7in1, Pestigard, Vibrovax)
- ✓ Free of Known Genetic Defects (by pedigree or testing)

Beef Week Open Day: Saturday 28th January 2023

ANNUAL BULL SALE: Thursday 16th March 2023

Fiona & John Glover: 0416 216 951
www.wattlewoodstud.com.au

AuctionsPlus

FM6936791



ARJAYM
HEREFORDS

BULLS FOR SALE

Registered Horned and Polled Hereford bulls for sale.

Many bulls in and amongst top
1% breed for growth & carcass.
Heifer bulls available.

BULLS FROM \$4000 +GST
Bulls available for inspection by appointment

Enquiries: 0419 397 820 • 0428 319 980
600 Cape Liptrap Road, Walkerville



GG428



Schmoozer is a true heifer bull by pedigree and by function. Top 5 per cent for 400 and 600 Day Weight EBV's, top 5 per cent in all 10 Indexes and the top 1 per cent in 5!

Prime time for Beef Week

AFTER the success of their first bull sale in March, John and Fiona Glover of Wattlewood Angus are deep into the preparations for their next sale on Thursday, March 16.

Once again, the bulls have gone through all the processes which enables the Wattlewood guarantee to provide sound and functional bulls that breeders love to own.

Fiona, who is an A.I. Technician, enjoys the ability to select and use sire's from across the world and appreciates the advantages of using superior genetics.

This is obvious when viewing the progeny from some great sires such as Baldridge Beast Mode, Coonamble Hector and seeing sires that have passed like Te Mania Ada, still making a positive impact in the herd.

The Wattlewood herd are vaccinated with 7in1 and Pestigard annually, and the bulls also are vaccinated with Vibrovax to safeguard them in any herd they are working for.

All Wattlewood calves are HD50K Genotyped, P.I. tested negative for BVDV and the bulls are semen tested prior to their sale.

The Glover's have a philosophy that they can never know who might purchase the bulls and what their new homes facilities are like, so to help the farmers out, every bull is halter broken and can be delivered in a horse float straight into the paddock with the cows or without the need for a loading ramp.

Fiona says, "Having halter broken animals makes handling them a lot easier when they are seeing a vet for a semen test or treatment of things like pinkeye- they just don't fight you in the crush."

The Wattlewood team look forward to welcoming you to the property for Beef Week on Saturday, January 28, where the Wattlewood Sale catalogues will be available, and the sale bulls can be previewed.

A selection a PTIC females will be available for private treaty on the day.

Strong results for MSA

MEAT Standards Australia (MSA) continues to deliver significant benefits and value to the red meat industry, from the farm gate through to the consumer's plate, according to Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA).

In financial year 2021-2022, the MSA program delivered a record \$204 million in estimated additional farm gate returns to MSA beef producers, a significant increase from the estimated \$157m delivered in 2020-2021, and more than the previous record high of \$198 million in 2018-2019.

MSA graded cattle continue to represent more than half of the national adult cattle slaughter at another record of 55% in 2021-2022, up from 53% in 2020-2021.

More than 3.25 million cattle were MSA graded through 39 Australian beef processors in 2021-2022, with an equal highest national MSA compliance of 95.5%.

During 2022, more producers across the country became MSA registered.

In total, 2,157 cattle and sheep producers became MSA registered in 2021-2022, taking the total number of registered MSA

producers to 47,188. To aid in improving on-farm performance, 2,502 producers used the myMSA feedback system to understand grading results and look for opportunities to improve, as well as 1,425 participating in MSA education activities.

Steps continue to be taken towards the commercialisation and rollout of a MSA cuts-based sheepmeat model in the past year.

In 2021-2022, more than 2.1 million sheep followed MSA Pathways through 15 MSA-licensed processing facilities across New South Wales, Victoria and Western Australia. This represented 10% of the total lambs processed in Australia and of these, 84% were trademarked MSA.

Throughout 2021-22, 469 audits were conducted on MSA licensees from saleyards and processors, through to retailers, wholesalers, independent boning rooms, supermarkets and foodservice outlets.

In addition, MSA also conducted over 100 integrity checks with MSA-licensed processors to support their continued success in utilising the MSA Standards.



BEEF WEEK 2023

John's passion for cattle produces only the best

FOUNDER and operator of Mt Ararat Simmentals John Leek is passionate about cattle, with a focus on high quality genetics, sourcing from the best studs Australia wide and overseas to ensure buyers receive top grade breeding animals.

Having established the business 14 years ago, John continues to breed for optimal outcomes on multiple fronts, with calving ease, docile cattle and high-quality meat production some of the benefits.

He is delighted to open his Nar Nar Goon property for people to inspect his bulls and breeding females during Beef Week, offering farmers the opportunity to buy animals that will help them achieve those positive outcomes.

"We'll have a beautiful line up of polled bulls for sale, and also some select females with calves at foot and in calf again," John said.

Select genetics are involved, with those female cattle in calf to \$42,000 homo polled bull Woonallee Raffa.

"He's one of the best calving ease bulls in Australia," John said.

That is crucial to get maximum numbers of calves on the ground and minimise the need for human intervention during the birth process.

Mt Ararat Simmentals places high importance on breeding female cattle that have excellent conformation, not only maximising



John Leek is committed to providing breeding cattle with high quality genetics through his business Mt Ararat Simmentals. A05_0323

birthing success but minimising risks of subsequent infection in order to achieve good health and desired future fertility.

Good conformation is multifaceted, including having wide hips and a good tail set that enables the afterbirth to drain effectively after a calf is delivered.

Once offspring of John's Simmentals are safely on the ground, they'll continue to benefit from select genetics, with cows producing vast quantities of milk to rear their young.

That leads to calves weighing in the vicinity of 450 to 550

kilograms at the weaning stage.

"So you don't have to put them out in the paddock and graze them," John said, adding you can currently get \$2,500 for them weaned.

Mt Ararat Simmentals breeds cattle that will produce offspring to deliver excellent marbled meat that provides maximum flavour and tenderness.

"It's a long chain of events before it gets to the butcher shop," John said of the planned approach to delivering high quality meat.

He highlighted the importance

of Simmentals' docile nature, saying it minimises risk to those handling cattle on farm and in sale yards.

John also has a strong focus on breeding his cattle to prevent the risk of pink eye, explaining that Simmentals' natural dark features around the eye area are advantageous.

He is proud that his Simmentals are at least the equal best in Australia, saying they stand out from the crowd in Victoria.

John said sales of Simmentals are booming, with many using the breed to improve their herds.

"What normally happens with Simmentals is that people buy the bulls and put them over their Angus and Herefords to upgrade them for high yield," he said.

Although Nar Nar Goon based, Mt Ararat Simmentals has a presence in South Gippsland, with the Leeks running cattle on their Boorool property.

Those keen to inspect Mt Ararat Simmentals bulls and cows during the business' Beef Week Field Day on Saturday January 28 are encouraged to arrive early at 126 Mt Ararat North Road, Nar Nar Goon.



Come and see top MT ARARAT SIMMENTALS

Beef Week Field Day Saturday 28 January 2023

**10 Magnificent Bulls for Sale
and cows with calves under foot**

Inspection at 126 Mt. Ararat North Road, Nar Nar Goon

Magnificent young Bulls for sale

Best blood lines available in Australia

Semen available out of our top
breeding Bulls

Enquiries always welcome
Bulls- Semen - Embryos
Accredited JBAS8



Mt Ararat Rockstar

Our top priced bull in 2021
Sold to local Leongatha breeder
Simon Greaves
for \$16,000



Mt Ararat Quantum

Our top priced bull in 2020

Contact: John Leek
M: 0409 537 445
126 Mt. Ararat North Road,
Nar Nar Goon

To view our breeding program visit
www.mtararatsimmentals.com.au



BEEF WEEK 2023



Tarwin Poll Herefords are having an open day on Saturday, January 28, 8.30am – 5.30pm as part of Beef Week.

Prime studs on display

TARWIN Poll Herefords have been based at the Meeniyah property for over 70 years, taking its name from the Tarwin River that fronts the property.

Commencing in 1950, at the request of local agents for sons of Studlea Playmate, purchased at the 1950 Melbourne Royal Show, the stud has maintained its objective of producing sound commercial cattle for Gippsland producers ever since.

Current owner David Meikle comments, "In those early days a lot of emphasis was placed on pedigrees and showing. Now we have tools such as performance recording and DNA testing to predict how our animals should perform."

This is a performance recorded herd with the calves being regularly weighed up to 600 days and the weights submitted to the Breed plan program.

Sale bulls are scanned for eye muscle area and fat cover. These results will be available on the Beef Week open day.

Replacement heifers and sale bulls are DNA

tested to confirm parentage and polledness.

Last year was also Tarwin's second effort at online selling, with five young bulls offered on Auctions Plus as members of the Gippsland Performance Herefords group in September. Tarwin Santa S081 a Wirruna Nolan top priced this sale at \$12,000.

The stud's objective is to produce attractive, sound, commercial poll Hereford cattle, able to perform off grass.

To achieve this, they use a mix of AI breeding and judicious selection of sires for natural mating. Sires chosen will generally have a modest birth weight coupled with above average growth weights and carcass traits, traits such as eye pigmentation and hooding are also considered in their sire selection.

To further test the performance of their genetics, the Meikles regularly compete in the Lardner Park Grass Finished Steer trials.

This year they have one team which came second for weight gain at 1.50 kg/day. Their other team

came fourth for weight gain at 1.41kg/day. Average weight gain overall for this trial was 1.18 kg/day, demonstrating how well Tarwin steers perform on grass.

At this year's Beef Week open day, Tarwin Poll Herefords will have on display their sale bulls sired, predominantly sired by Wirruna Nolan and Tarcombe Homeland.

Their open day will be held on Saturday, January 28, 8.30am – 5.30pm.

Next year's crop of bull calves will also be on display with their mothers, these will include AI bred sons from Mawarra Terminator, Wirruna Papa and Yavenvale Quantitative.

The stud's latest sire, Hunters Lakes Regal R017, purchased earlier this year, will be on display along with home bred sire, Tarwin Regal R014 (son of Wirruna Nolan).

It is planned to also have unjoined weaned sale heifers on display as well.

Visitors are welcome to enjoy the hospitality of a cup tea and a light lunch as well as to discuss the stud's breeding program with the Meikle family.

ON THE LAND

Be on guard for fruit flies

HOME gardeners are urged to act now to protect fruit and vegetables from Queensland fruit fly (QFF) this summer and help safeguard Victoria's valuable horticultural industry.

The wet spring created the perfect breeding conditions for the pest, which is most active now through to May.

Agriculture Victoria Statewide Fruit Fly coordinator Cathy Mansfield said QFF are attracted to ripening fruit and vegetables.

"Maintaining good biosecurity practices starts in your home garden – and it's vital to limit fruit fly population growth and halt its spread to neighbours, nearby orchards or farms," Ms Mansfield said.

"The best way to protect your fruit and vegetables is to use insect-proof netting during the growing season."

Continuously flowering vegetable and berry crops should be covered when developing fruit are very small.

If you're unable to net your trees, monitor for fruit fly and use other preventative methods such as baiting, and insecticides, traps and remove any unwanted ripe or dropped fruit.

QFF attacks a wide range of fruit and vegetables including tomatoes, apricots, figs, peaches, nectarines and berries. Home gardeners can keep watch for fruit fly sting marks on developing fruit and vegetables



Queensland fruit fly are a common pest.
Photo: Andriyko Podilyuk on Unsplash

– they're only tiny and easily missed but affected produce can rot from the inside. Fruit fly maggots are often found in the centre of produce, ranging in size from, 5-10mm long and creamy white in colour.

If you do find active fruit fly, it's important to let neighbouring properties know and encourage people to check their own produce for damage.

"Leave your homegrown produce behind if you're going away this summer to ensure you're not accidentally bringing QFF into other regions," Ms Mansfield said.

"Some states have will not allow fruit or vegetables to be taken across state borders so check before you travel."

For more information including lists of common host plants, how to control fruit fly in your garden and netting tips visit agriculture.vic.gov.au/qff.

Review into carbon credit scheme welcome

FARMERS for Climate Action welcomes the release of the Chubb Review into Australia's carbon credit scheme and calls on the Federal Government to implement all of its recommendations, but notes the final report does not properly address the fundamental issue of the integrity of existing carbon credits.

The Chubb review came about after whistleblower Professor Andrew Macintosh from Australian National University resigned from the Emissions Reduction Assurance Committee, and pointed out problems with several of the methods producing carbon credits.

The review has recommended major overhauls to the system, but does not acknowledge any problem with current credits.

Farmers for Climate Action Strategy director, Cambell Klose, said Australia's farmers relied on the integrity of Australia's carbon credits to maintain the value of, and income from, their investments into growing carbon crops.

"Farmers for Climate Action welcomes recommendations made by the Chubb Review to end the multiple conflicting roles of the Clean Energy Regulator, give new life to the integrity committee, and to end new projects claiming carbon credits under avoided deforestation.

"The review puts forward sensible recommendations which are a step forward in fixing the problems, yet fail to acknowledge

any problems.

"It is contradictory to offer solutions without acknowledging the problem. This review skates over the idea that there are any issues with the current market. Australian farmers who have invested in growing carbon crops are the ones who pay the price when integrity issues with carbon credits are revealed because it reduces confidence in the market and the price paid for carbon credits."

"We support the Federal Government's announcement that it will adopt the recommendations from the review."

The review into Australia's carbon credit scheme, the Chubb Review, was commissioned by the Federal Government in September 2022 after concerns were raised about the integrity of the scheme.

Farmers for Climate Action is a movement of 7500 farmers calling for strong economy-wide climate policies.

SMALL ACREAGE CULTIVATION

- Pasture mulching
- Slashing
- Hoeing & ripping
- Seeding
- Spraying
- Fertiliser spreading
- Float hire



MR AGRI

ALL AREAS • Phone Greg 0419 393 375

WE'LL GET YOU MOVING ON YOUR NEXT PROJECT

FULLY INSURED

SERVICING ALL AREAS



- Excavator Hire • Bulldozer Hire
 - Tree Removal • Dam Clearing
 - Farm Tracks • Low Loader Hire
 - 4x4 tractor hire 130 Horse power with Flail mower • Loader bucket
- ALL AREAS

Jim Birch 0427 009 999

Tarwin

EST 1950

PH

POLL HEREFORDS

The Meikle Family extend a warm invitation to local people to inspect their Tarwin Poll Hereford Stud.

**Time: Day 2
Saturday,
January 28, 2023**

Open 8.30am - 5.30pm

Location: Parrys Road, (3 kms from Meeniyah) on Meeniyah-Dumbalk Rd.
(Signs will be posted)

ENQUIRIES: David Meikle 5664 7556
M: 0429 800 756 E: meikledd@dcsi.net.au

Phelan & Henderson & Co.

STOCK & STATION AGENTS

- Prime & Store cattle sales at VLE Leongatha
- Auctions Plus Sales
- Live Heifer Export Orders
- O/Hooks sales to Processors
- Rural Property Real Estate

Jake Anthony 0467 297 794
Simon Henderson 0428 740 750
David Phelan 0429 050 349

34 | TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 | SOUTH GIPPSLAND SENTINEL-TIMES



MARKET REPORT

Brought to you by...

CLAAS Harvest Centre

Leongatha Prime Sale on Wed, January 11, 2023

Bullocks			
13 Patching David Jack River	675.0	440.0	2,970
10 Nicita M	756.5	437.6	3,310
12 JDK Pastoral Company			
Korumburra	622.5	436.0	2,714
1 Olenka Holdings	595.0	430.0	2,558
6 Dunbar D Wonthaggi	722.5	428.6	3,096
4 Kongwak Organic Grower			
Kongwak	661.3	415.0	2,744

Steers			
1 Maruzza T Dumbalk	440.0	470.0	2,068
1 Redpath Z Waratah	375.0	470.0	1,762
1 Kershaw RH JV & MR			
Archies Creek	385.0	467.6	1,800
2 Scott DM & KA Inverloch	382.5	460.0	1,759
3 Jarvie G & R Hazelwood	430.0	460.0	1,978
1 Brunt MJ & LM Poowong	410.0	455.0	1,865

Heifers			
1 Jarvie G & R Hazelwood	415.0	460.0	1,909
1 Brunt MJ & LM Poowong	400.0	441.6	1,766
2 Kershaw RH JV & MR			
Archies Creek	377.5	441.6	1,667
3 Scott DM & KA Inverloch	398.3	440.0	1,752
1 Bunn TL Jumbunna East	465.0	430.0	1,999
1 Fisher CJ & VJ Tarwin South	380.0	430.0	1,634

Cows			
2 Brislin KJ & KP Leongatha	680.0	360.0	2,448
1 Fairbrother DB & DM			
Tarwin Lower	665.0	360.0	2,394
2 Traselasons Pty Ltd Loch	707.5	350.0	2,476
1 Vuiller Shorthorns Waratah	575.0	350.0	2,012
1 Sandbach S Welshpool	575.0	340.0	1,955
11 Svenson R Tarwin Lower	670.5	327.6	2,196

Bulls			
1 Gale BP & IM Waratah Nth	980.0	353.6	3,465
1 Maruzza T Dumbalk	1,030.0	345.0	3,553
1 Collins T & C Mirboo North	825.0	345.0	2,846
1 Scott DM & KA Inverloch	890.0	343.2	3,054
1 Davey WJ & DA Foster	845.0	341.6	2,886
1 Hall IJA & MJ Boolarra	1,000.0	335.6	3,356

Vealer Bulls			
1 Hicken P Mirboo North	385.0	210.0	808

Lardner Park Calf Market Report
Monday, January 9, 2023

Jersey & Jersey x	\$15 to \$230
Friesian Bulls	\$35 to \$102
Friesian Heifers	\$370 to \$840
Beef Bulls	\$140 to \$250
Beef Heifers	\$70 to \$390
Number of Calves:	90
Number purchased to rear:	41



Alex Scott & Staff auctioneer Rob Ould (centre) during Wednesday's lamb and sheep sale in Koonwarra. A02_0323

Decent prices for opening lamb sale of the season

WHILE the high number of available lambs has kept prices under control, Jason Fry of Alex Scott & Staff said the approximately \$120 to \$160 per head paid at Koonwarra on Wednesday was decent for the first lamb sale of the season.

Ewes fetched up to \$85. Alex Scott & Staff auctioneer Rob Ould highlighted the sale of 50 Poll Dorset cross lambs for Bec Vuillermin of Yanakie, which brought in \$154 each. He said the good-bodied animals stood out on the day.

RIGHT: Jason Fry and Rob Ould of Alex Scott & Staff after Wednesday's sheep and lamb auction in Koonwarra. A03_0323



Professor Nina von Kerselingk will be speaking in Leongatha during February.

Guest speaker in Leongatha

GIPPSLAND dairy farmers have the rare opportunity to hear from an internationally recognised leader in the field of calf and cattle welfare when Professor Nina von Kerselingk visits Leongatha in February.

Professor von Keyserlingk is a Director of the National Farm Animal Health and Welfare Council of Canada, as well as being the co-director of the Animal Welfare Program at the University of British Columbia, Canada.

She is the guest of regional dairy body GippsDairy and will be speaking in Gippsland before attending the Australian Dairy Conference in Hobart.

"This is a great opportunity for local farmers to get the latest in research and trends from an industry expert. We hope they will take advantage of this opportunity," said Executive Officer of GippsDairy, Karen McLennan.

"Nina will be looking at the challenges and opportunities around calf rearing, an issue which can prove problematic in the dairy landscape," added Ms McLennan.

"I know one of the issues Professor von Keyserlingk will be speaking about is the opportunity that exists in calf rearing for the dairy industry in particular around accelerated nutrition, surplus calves and cow-calf separation."

Nina combines research in both the social science and animal science fields, working to find practical opportunities to produce food in ways that work for the farm business, protect social license and improve animal welfare.

"I urge any dairy farmers to come along to this event in Leongatha on Thursday, February 9," concluded Ms McLennan.

Booking details can be found at gippsdairy.com.au

ELECTRIC FENCE ENERGIZER REPAIRS

Paul Vassil

(Formerly Vassil Electronics)
38 Lower Gordon St, Korumburra
0408 515 184

BULLS FOR HIRE OR SALE

Friesian, Angus, Hereford, Limo, Jersey, Red Angus or Charolais.
All sound young bulls.

Phone 0447 331 762



LIVESTOCK AGENTS,
LICENSED REAL ESTATE AGENTS,
PROPERTY MANAGERS, AUCTIONEERS
www.alexscott.com.au

36 BRIDGE STREET, KORUMBURRA PH: 5655 1133 FAX: 5655 2480

Livestock Sales

KORUMBURRA		FOSTER	
Dean Bailey - Livestock Manager	0438 531 672	Dick Faulkner	0408 595 174
David Ryan	0408 311 895	WONTHAGGI	
LEONGATHA		Rob Ould - Livestock Manager	0408 595 183
Dane Perczyk - Livestock Manager	0408 176 063	David Holden	0428 749 390
Kaleb Jans	0487 155 471	Alan Bolding	0419 723 255
WARRAGUL		Dale Atherton	0428 888 300
Neil Darby - Livestock Manager	0418 595 265	PAKENHAM	
Terry Ahearn	0438 562 816	David Setches - Livestock Manager	0409 443 473
Jason Fry	0407 295 909	Glenn Barwick	0408 975 476
Jordan Sim	0448 058 435	Morgan Croucher	0457 001 877
Mark Malacarne	0418 654 590	Tim Gibson	0420 306 599

Real Estate Sales

KORUMBURRA		LEONGATHA		INVERLOCH	
Scott McKenzie	0427 552 898	Andrew Newton	0402 940 320	Marni Lee Redmond	0403 525 413
Christie Nelson	0407 812 904	Peter Dwyer	0428 855 244	COWES	
WONTHAGGI		Emily Clifford	0422 622 299	Greg Price	0419 337 441
Phillip Hanley	0417 140 508	WARRAGUL		Maree Malloy	0408 316 715
Dan Huther	0418 334 801	Alan Steenholdt	0409 423 822	Chase Watters	0423 272 819
Cal Nation	0439 334 163	PAKENHAM		Brian Silver	0407 347 509
Mick Chambers	0418 349 783	Tom Gibson	0438 574 472	VENUS BAY	
GRANTVILLE		LANG LANG		Daniel Lawrie	0417 631 252
Greg Kane	0493 118 514	Scott McKenzie	0427 552 898	Sue Lawrie	0419 885 489
Nathan Cleeland	0497 114 568	MELBOURNE LAND		KOO WEE RUP	
BERWICK		Matt Koster	0474 781 711	Michelle Lunney	0457 120 277
Michelle Gibson	0439 707 252				

SUCCESS THROUGH SERVICE

Oakdale Dairies
Quality Guaranteed

Friday 27th January 2023 at 11am

306 Old Drouin Road, Longwarry

On farm & live-streamed via AuctionsPlus

60 Freshly Calved Cows

Oakdale will be offering another exceptional line of freshly calved 2nd, 3rd and 4th calvers producing high levels of quality milk. Buyers seeking terms must apply to Elders or Wellington Livestock 48 hours prior to the sale commencing. Sired by Bulls such as: Glauco, Archival, Bradnick, King doc, King Royal, King Boy, Eudon, Dempsey, Beemer, Wrangler, First Grade, Fever, MVP and Dooman.

6 MTH INTEREST FREE TERMS - OAKDALE 7 DAY GUARANTEE - FREE DELIVERY



Elders
Phil Malcolm 0408 559 408
Peter Rollason 0419 600 323

Michael Robertson 0429 104 467
Darryl Adams 0408 385 872



Wellington Livestock - Where Loyalty Counts
Steven Boulton 0428 445 461
Ben Boulton 0488 445 467

Zac Gleeson 0431 304 017
Travis Sutton 0438 893 484





Wanted autumn calving cows
Tagging exports weekly
Bull rates please call

- ✓ more EXPORT ORDERS
- ✓ more LIVESTOCK OPTIONS
- ✓ more MONEY IN YOUR POCKET
- ✓ more LOYALTY & BETTER SERVICE

LIVESTOCK RATES

250+ KG/DW	\$5.90
200 TO 249	\$5.60
160 TO 199	\$5.10
120 TO 159	\$3.60

ABS Direct: Cattle processed from Friday to Friday

GARY SISELY 0419 309 769 | BEN BOULTON 0488 445 467

OFFICE: 0429 445 461 www.wellingtonlivestock.net

H00418-V15



FOR EXPERT ADVICE WITH ALL YOUR LIVESTOCK MARKETING



Rohan McRae
0417 836 664
Branch Manager



Michael Foote
0427 162 370
Livestock Manager



Alex Dixon
0409 581 935



Damien Minogue
0427 507 369



Hayden Hanratty
0429 181 672



Dean Foat
0488 732 181



Joshua Chiavaroli
0407 029 255



Nicole Renden
Sales Support

Don Bowman 0429 801 138
Ross McRobert 0418 838 454
Lachie Bowman 0408 871 388
John McAinch 0428 514 393

ELDERS RURAL SERVICES
 11 Commercial St, Korumburra 3950
Ph: (03) 5658 1894

DUMBALK CLEARING SALE

TRACTORS, TRUCK & FARM EQUIPMENT
Friday, February 3 at 10am

A/c T Maruzza & Outside Entries
 925 Farmers Road, Dumbalk (Property Sold)

Case 90JX cab tractor w/ forks & bucket (only 380hrs); Massey Ferguson 250 tractor (4620hrs); Mitsubishi truck w/ stock grate 12ft (registered); Buckton hay feeder; Gold Acres 600ltr spray unit; Silvan 400ltr spray unit; Munro post driver w/augers; Husqvarna ride on mower 38inch cut (2 year old); Westwood Ride on Mower; New Holland roller bar rake; Super spreader 750kg; Smudger; Massey Ferguson Post Hole Digger; 10x6 Tandem trailer w/stock crate; 9x5 Tandem trailer; Tradesman trailer; 2 x 6x4 trailers; Wood splitter 30t hydraulic w/ motor; Honda 5kva generator; Generator 2kva; Generator 2HP; Air compressors; Silvan 20ltr spray unit; Pipe bender; Steel drop saw; Metal Cutting Bandsaw; Press drill; Pedestal grinder; Firefighting pump; Pressure pumps; Concrete mixer; 2 x Paton grain feeders 1000kg; Grain paddock feeder; 2 x Hay rings; Single cow milking machine plant; Calf feeders; Cattle lick feeder; Dehorners; Hilux paddock ute (old); Dodge paddock truck 13ft (old); VT Holden station wagon (not running - good body); Tractor weights; Tractor beacons; PTO shafts; Ass. Fencing equipment; Pressure washer; 2 x Chainsaws; Hedger; Blower; Whipper snipper; Leaf mulcher; 11 x Railway line 8ft; Ass. PVC pipe; Ass. Steel pipe; Ass. Melamine; Ass. Shovels etc; Ass. Tools; Hand rotary hoe; Work benches & cupboards; Knapsack; Block n tackle; Bolt cutters; Car jack; Jerry cans; Extension ladder; Trench mesh; Wheelbarrows; Grease foot pump; Wine crusher; Honey Extractor 4 Frame; Chest freezer; Singer sewing machine; Treadmill; Washing machine; Elec oven; 120 floor tiles (333x333); Approx. 200 solid used red bricks; and many more sundries; 20 Angus Friesian x steers & heifers, 4-5 months old, bucket reared.

Terms: Number system will apply, Photo ID required; strictly cash, EFTPOS or cheque on day of sale; no buyers premium, GST where applicable, lunch and refreshments available

OUTSIDE VENDORS INVITED, SUBJECT TO AGENTS' APPROVAL

11 Commercial Street, Korumburra: 5658 1894 | Alex Dixon: 0409 581 935
www.elders.com.au ID: **cs001119**
<https://www.facebook.com/events/709021620584052>



Victorian farmers 'press pause' on expectations for 2023

IN THE aftermath of extended rainfall, punctuated by significant flooding, Victorian farmer confidence has stabilised as many take a 'wait and see' approach to the flow-on effects of the wet spring.

The latest Rabobank Rural Confidence Survey found farmer sentiment across Victoria has broadly held steady over the recent quarter, after tracking downwards over most of the past year.

On a state-wide level, slightly fewer farmers expected business conditions to improve in the 12 months ahead (12 per cent, down from 14 per cent in the previous survey), 46 per cent expect conditions to stay the same (up from 38 per cent) and 38 per cent expect a deterioration (slightly down from 40 per cent last quarter).

Excessive rain (45 per cent) and rising input costs (43 per cent) topped the list for farmers who expect the agricultural economy to worsen, while on the other side of the ledger, good seasonal conditions (46 per cent) and rising commodity prices (56 per cent) were the main reasons for anticipated improvement.

Digging deeper into these figures reveals how the season has played out across different regions and commodities.

Significantly more farmers in the flood-plagued Murray Goulburn Valley (67 per cent) and Victorian high country (69 per cent) tipped rain as a cause for conditions to worsen than in other regions of the state.

Grain growers (77 per cent) were also most likely to list rain as a cause for concern, compared with other commodities.

In southern regions of the state, the season delivered a more optimistic outlook.

The disruption to the typical spring harvest and fodder conservation program has created supply issues



Rabobank regional manager for Southern Victoria and Tasmania Deborah Maskell-Davies.

in accessing fodder in the short term, especially for dairies, and has delayed summer planting.

While some grain growers are still anticipating good quality grain coming through when harvest eventually gets underway, it has been hit and miss.

However, input costs remain a concern for Victorian farmers, especially grain growers, who are looking ahead to next year's crops and crunching the numbers.

A reduced expectation of rising commodity prices reflects the plateauing or even softening of grain, wool, beef and lamb/sheep markets, however dairy remained strong.

Victorian beef producers (12 per cent, up from five per cent) showed increased confidence in the agricultural economy improving, with only 23 per cent (35 per cent last quarter) expecting conditions to worsen.

Biosecurity concerns have fallen off the radar - whereas 92 per cent of Victorian respondents said they were extremely or very concerned about foot and mouth disease (FMD) in the last quarter, no one listed it as a concern in the most recent survey.

The blending of high input costs and some softening in the red meat markets - particularly lamb - has tightened farmers' margins this year compared to the previous three years and there was some settling in their intention to invest.

Dairy sector confidence was down in the state, with too much rain the principal concern.

While farmers intending to increase their on-farm investments shifted from 24 per cent last quarter to 20 per cent in this survey, only 11 per cent expected to decrease their investment, compared with 17 per cent previously.

When it comes to expanding, Victorian farmers still appear to have an appetite for property purchase, with 24 per cent of those planning to increase investment in their business intending to purchase property (up from 19 per cent last quarter).

A comprehensive monitor of outlook and sentiment in Australian rural industries, the Rabobank Rural Confidence Survey questions an average of 1000 primary producers across a wide range of commodities and geographical areas throughout Australia on a quarterly basis.

RSPCA vital course for horse owners

RSPCA Victoria is inviting new and future horse owners to attend a new course in February to promote excellent horse care and responsible ownership.

Many Victorians left the city and their suburban lifestyles behind during the pandemic and took up hobby farming as part of their new lives.

The new course will teach the essential skills every horse owner needs to provide appropriate care for horses.

Similar to RSPCA Victoria's We Bought a Farmlet short course on farm animal care, Equine Excellence is designed for current and prospective horse

owners alike.

Participants will receive comprehensive information regarding horse and pony ownership to optimise their animal's health and welfare from the moment of purchase.

Classes are kept small to encourage questions and enhance participants' learning experience during the course.

Attendees will learn:

- How to promote important natural behaviours in the horses.
- How to work safely around horses.
- How to use the equipment needed to care for horses properly.
- Preventative health and

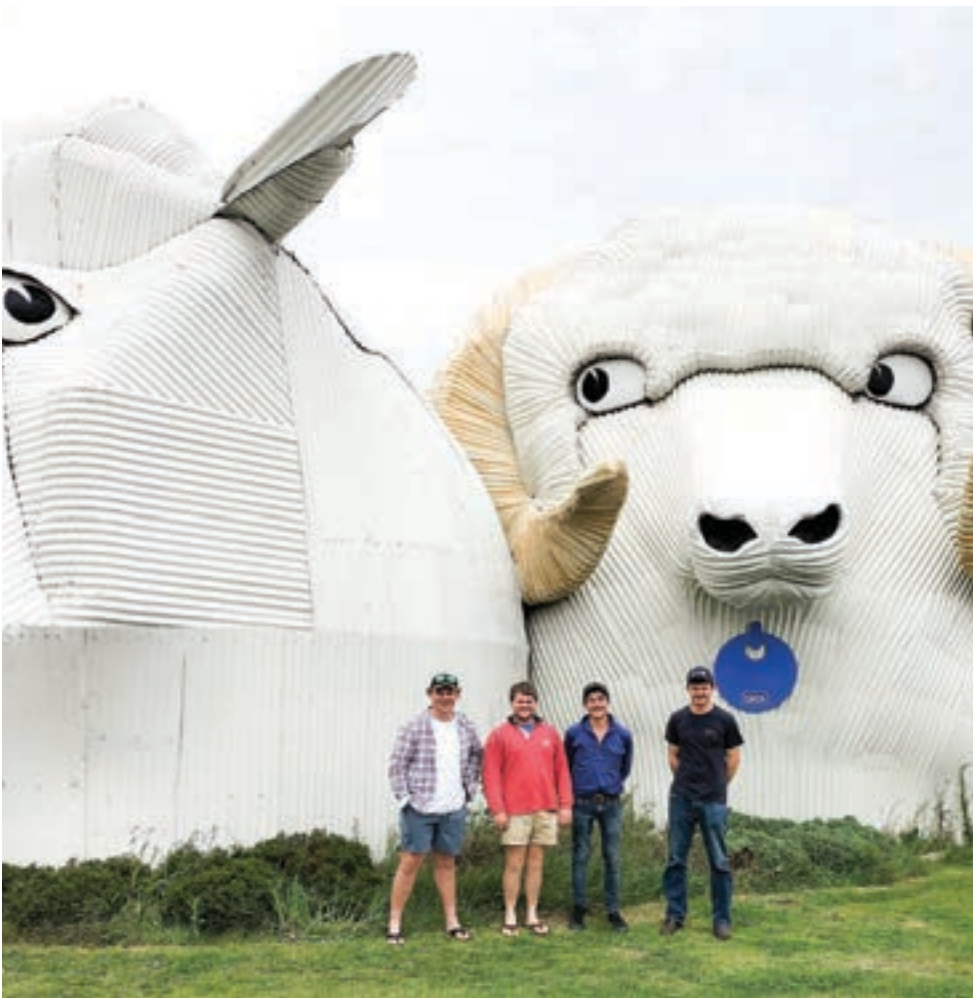
management measures

- Factors to consider when purchasing or adopting a horse or pony.
- How to identify signs of good health and welfare.
- What to do if your horse's 'normal' begins to change.
- What to include in a basic first aid kit for horses and how to use these items in an emergency.

Equine Excellence takes place onsite at RSPCA Burwood on Saturday, February 18.

Participants must be 14 years or older and will receive a certificate upon their completion of the course.

Places for the course can be booked by calling 03 9224 2286.



Australian dairy farmers from Victoria and interstate during their visit of New Zealand.

South-west farmers learn about NZ dairy

BOSTOCKS Creek farmer Jack Hutt has learnt a lot about how New Zealand farmers deal with rain and high stocking rates – but he has returned from a study tour with a better appreciation of how Australians farm.

Mr Hutt was one of four young south-west Victorian dairy farmers to win awards from the DemoDAIRY Foundation to take part in a New Zealand study tour organised and led by Livestock Improvement Corporation (LIC).

Max Bond (Cooriemungle), Sam Kermond (Nullawarre) and William Rea (Alansford), also received scholarships from the DemoDAIRY Foundation to take part in the five-day tour.

Eleven other dairy farmers from the Western District, Tasmania and South Australia were in the group. The participants visited seven different farms along with the LIC research centre.

Mr Hutt, 24, share farms with his partner Isobel Corneby for her parents Peter and Jenny, milking 200 mixed cows off 130 hectares at Bostocks Creek.

He has long had an interest in New Zealand farming systems and has started breeding with cross-bred bulls from New Zealand using LIC genetics.

“We’re a low-cost pasture-based system and with minimal grain inputs, which is a lot like New Zealand,” he said.

“Their pasture management is well ahead of the game. It’s different country; their ground seems to handle the rain and the heavy traffic from heavier stocking rates.

“One farmer we visited said they’d had two metres of rain since May, and you could still drive a truck on the paddocks. Over here, we’ve had nearly a metre and we get bogged.”

Mr Hutt was impressed with the paddock drainage systems in New Zealand and the use of feed pads to get cows off the paddocks during wet times.

He will consider a feed pad down the track but has also been inspired to invest in cow collars.

“A lot of the New Zealand farms have cow collars,” he said.

“I think that would help with our breeding and making sure the cows are well fed. You can keep ahead of the game with them; rather than rely on your eyes, we probably need to start rolling out the technology.”

Despite being impressed by New Zealand farming during his first visit to the country, Mr Hutt has returned with positive thoughts about Australian dairy farmers; and was inspired by the countryside.

“I was thinking we were a long way behind with our farming systems, but we’re probably not as far behind as I thought,” he said.

“Hopefully Isobel and I can take the kids back in the next couple of years,” he said.

The New Zealand Dairy Study Tour, supported by LIC, took participants to seven dairy farms, including one milking sheep and one developing a kiwi fruit enterprise on part of the farm.

The four scholarship recipients are all part of the WestVic Dairy Young Dairy Network (YDN) and will share their findings at a later YDN event, along with writing reports for the DemoDAIRY Foundation.

DemoDAIRY Foundation secretary Ian Teese, who joined the tour, said participants got to see a good cross section of New Zealand dairy and other farming systems.

“Like Victoria, New Zealand has had a very long and wet winter and spring and their high stocking rates create problems when they have long, wet periods,” he said.

“Several of the farms were addressing that by roofing their feed pad areas.”

New Zealand dairy farms are also operating under tightening regulations for manure disposal and use of fertilisers.

Mr Teese said the DemoDAIRY Foundation Board was open to funding other groups and farmers to do study tours. The Board will consider running a study tour to New Zealand in 2023.

More information about DemoDAIRY Foundation scholarships can be found at demodairy.com.au/scholarships-and-grants/.



Mike Waite LIC Western District representative, the farmer Walter van Rossum, Sam Kermond, Max Bond and Jack Hutt.

VLE – LEONGATHA

STORE SALE

3000 CATTLE 3000

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023 - Starting at 10am

GROWN

A/c G Macauley (ELDERS)

70 Angus Steers, 2- 2 ½ yo, GF & ABF

A/c Baillie Bros, Tyers (NUTRIEN)

60 Angus steers, 2yo, forward condition

A/c EA & GE Baillie, Tyers (NUTRIEN)

30 Angus steers, 2yo, forward condition

20 Charolais steers, 2yo, forward condition

A/c Shellcot Partnership, Foster (SEJ)

45 Angus steers, 22 mths, East Gippsland bred, GF & AF

A/c M.G Harrison, Meeniyen (SEJ)

40 Angus & Angus Hereford X steers, 16 mths, VB, GF, & AF, Hardhat & Innesdale blood

A/c Lucas Family Farm, Buffalo (SEJ)

12 Angus steers, 20 mths old, GF & AB Free.

A/c Adels Grove, Yanakie (SEJ)

17 Angus steers, 15 mths

A/c RF&JL Edwards, Fish Creek (SEJ)

15 Angus steers, 15-17 mths, VB

A/c W Cridge, Yinnar South (NUTRIEN)

10 Angus steers, 17 mths, VB & AF

A/c Holland’s Landing Past, Bengworden (SEJ)

14 Hereford steers, 14-15 mths

WEANERS

A/c S & V Missen, Rosedale (NUTRIEN)

130 Angus & Charolais mixed sex, weaned

A/c K & E Heggen, Binginwarri (SEJ)

120 Red Angus steers, 10-11 mths, Hicks Beef & Hedley Range blood, 2 x 7in1, VB, GF, & AF

A/c Doonagatha, Sandy Point (SEJ)

120 Angus steers, Bovilis MH1, Rhinogard IBR, 5in1, Copper, B12 + Selenium 20/12/2022, VB, GF, & AF, Harris Farm blood, weaned 3 weeks

A/c B&T Dowling, Mirboo (ELDERS)

110 Angus/MG steers X, 12-15 mths, Woodbourn/Birubi blood, yard weaned, 5 in 1 vaccinated, very quiet.

A/c L Cantwell (SEJ)

80 Angus x mix sex weaners, VB

A/c D & S King, Moe (NUTRIEN)

70 Angus steers, Merlewood blood, weaned

A/c Gem-Brae AG (ELDERS)

70 Angus & Char/Ang X mix sex weaners, 10 mths, By Te Mania Angus & Mt William Charolais Bulls, VB, GF & ABF, weaned & had all the treatments

A/c M & C Russell, Glen Forbes (SEJ)

40 Hereford steers

20 Hereford heifers

12-14 months old, weaned, VB, GF & AB Free, Ponderosa blood

A/c R & S Boote, Drouin South (SEJ)

40 Red Angus steers, 10-11 mths, Hicks Beef blood, VB, GF, & AF, Multi-min, 2 x 5in1

A/c Boxbank Pastoral, Woodside (ELDERS)

40 Murray Grey m/s weaners 8 mths, GF & ABF, very quiet

A/c DJ&C Webb, Arawata (SEJ)

40 Angus steers, 10-12 mths, VB

A/c T Maruzza, Dumbalk (ELDERS)

36 Angus X steers, 12-18 mths

A/c G+L Bennett (ELDERS)

36 Angus X mix sex weaners

A/c D & S Kimmins, Cape Paterson (SEJ)

20 Angus steers

15 Angus heifers

10-11 mths old, VB, GF & AB Free, Harris Farms blood

A/c J & L Clancy, Nerrena (SEJ)

15 Angus steers

15 Angus heifers

10-11mths, VB, GF, & AF

A/c D McKeown, Meeniyen (NUTRIEN)

24 Angus mixed sex, 10 mths

A/c Greycroft Nominees P/L, Welshpool (SEJ)

20 Angus mixed sex calves, Vendor bred, GF & ABF

A/c B & M Wright, Nyora (ELDERS)

20 Angus mix sex weaners, ‘Battersby Blood’

A/c A Filsell & A Smith (ELDERS)

20 Angus heifers 10 mths, Harris blood quiet

A/c J & D Elliott, Stony Creek (SEJ)

18 Angus steers, By Dunoon bulls, 10-11 mths Drenched, B12, & 5in1 mid Dec, very quiet

A/c J Tuffin, Toora (SEJ)

15 Hereford Angus X steers, VB, GF, & AF, weaned

A/c I & G Robinson, Nerrena (NUTRIEN)

15 Angus X mix sex

A/c Jeetho Farms, Jeetho (ELDERS)

12 Angus steers, 10 mths

A/c P&V Milner (ELDERS)

12 Angus mix sex weaners

A/c H Johnson, Valencia Creek (NUTRIEN)

12 Speckle Park mixed sex, 12 mths

A/c W Cridge, Yinnar South (NUTRIEN)

11 Angus mixed sex, 10 mths, VB & AF

A/c S Williams, Toora (SEJ)

10 Angus/Hereford steers, 10 mths, Harris Farms blood.

A/c W&L Rendell (ELDERS)

50 Euro X mix sex calves

A/c R Stipani, Willung Sth (NUTRIEN)

25 Charo mix sex, 10-11 mths

A/c L Scott, Maffra (NUTRIEN)

15 Hereford/Limo X mixed sex, 12 mths

A/c S & C Jones, Toora (ALEX SCOTT)

11 Euro X mix sex, 14mths, weaned

XBRED & DAIRY

A/c A De Riter, Longford (NUTRIEN)

24 Angus X steers, 16 mths

20 Wagyu X steers, 16 mths

A/c Fella Group, Moyarra (SEJ)

15 Angus / Friesian X steers, 16-18 mths

A/c A Hopkins, Yinnar (NUTRIEN)

6 X/Bred steers, 2 yo

A/c Jeetho Farms, Jeetho (ELDERS)

30 Friesian steers, 18-20 mths

A/c Tamburo Farming P/L, Kernot (NUTRIEN)

25 Friesian steers, 16 mths

A/c B&L Field (ELDERS)

20 Friesian steers, 16 mths, VB

A/c M Conn, Hedley (SEJ)

20 Friesian steers, VB, GF, & AF

JOINED FEMALES & COWS & CALVES

A/c T Maruzza, Dumbalk (ELDERS)

10 X 10 Angus & Hereford Friesian X cows with Charolais calves 2-6 weeks

3 X 3 Angus Friesian X cows with Charolais calves 6 mths, rededpastured to Charolais Bull since calving

A/c B&T Dowling, Mirboo (ELDERS)

15 Anug/MG X heifers, 15 mths, Woodbourn/Birubi blood, depastured to MG bull

THE HERD

5662 4033

SEJ

5662 2291

Nutrien

0429 050 349

Elfers

5658 1894

ALEX SCOTT

5655 1133

SOUTH GIPPSLAND ASSOCIATED AGENTS

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SENTINEL-TIMES | TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 | 37

TRADES & SERVICES



DIRECTORY

AIR CONDITIONING

CLAIM UP TO
\$1000 CASH BACK!
WITH OUR **HEATING & COOLING**
AUTHORISED GOVERNMENT REBATE

CITY TO COAST AIR
WONTHAGGI

Your split system & ducted experts!

Shop 1/13 Inverloch Rd, Wonthaggi
0400 001 465
*Government rebate T&C's apply

BLINDS

Zap's Blinds

Free measure & quote
"We come to you"

- ★ Hollands ★ Sunscreens ★ Romans
- ★ Canvas awnings ★ Verticals
- ★ Timber & aluminium Venetians

Servicing Gippsland - Mark & Rachael Zappa
0419 526 080 AH: 5672 3874

CONCRETING

STOLLCRETE
For all your concreting needs

Sheds - Driveways - Crossovers
Footpaths - Concrete Garden Edging
Plus much more - Free measure & quotes

Justin Stoll 0409 425 054 e: stollcrete@outlook.com

ELECTRONICS

Gardner Electronics

James Dell
10 Ashenden Street
Leongatha, Vic, 3953
5662 3891
admin@gardnerelectronics.com.au

Security/Access control • CCTV • TV
• Data/Phone • Home Theatre • PA

AIR CONDITIONING

COASTAL
REFRIGERATION & AIR-CONDITIONING

03 5678 5190
office@picra.com.au

Coastal Refrigeration and Airconditioning
AU22840

COMMERCIAL & DOMESTIC
SERVICE, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND SALES

BUILDER

BUILDER/CARPENTER

Over 25 years experience
Bathrooms a speciality

- Decking • General repairs • Kitchens
- Bathrooms • Plastering • Painting
- Pergolas • Renovations
- Doors & window installation • Built-in robes

PAUL VANDERMEER - 5664 4419
Mobile: 0427 750 568
FREE QUOTES

CURTAINS & BLINDS

dc b value in every dollar

- curtains blinds
- shutters outdoor

dollar curtains + blinds
21 Murray Street, Wonthaggi 5672 2915
www.dollarcurtainsandblinds.com.au

ENGINE REPAIRS

FRASER'S LIGHT ENGINE REPAIRS

Service and Repairs to:

- Lawn Mowers
- Chainsaws
- Brush Cutters
- Generators
- Log Splitters
- Pumps

41 Sparkers Road, Buffalo, 3958
OPEN: Monday-Friday 9am-4pm
After hours by appointment only
Pick-up and delivery available.
Fraser Stefani - 0499 230 621
Qualified Light Engine Mechanic

AIR CONDITIONING

DAIKIN ENERGY EFFICIENT
HEATING & COOLING

Approved supplier • Service • Installation • Repairs

RELIANCE
HEATING & COOLING

CALL FOR A FREE QUOTE **1300 652 232**
enquiries@easyair.com.au

BUILDER

Brad McCormack Homes

Specialist builder of period style custom homes.

0428 496 266
brad@bradmccormackhomes.com.au

DECK RESTORATION

DeckSeal

Specialists in restoration & preservation of timber decks
Residential & Commercial

SERVICING ALL OF BASS COAST
1800 332 525
www.deckseal.com.au

FLOOR COVERINGS

Endless options for your flooring project

FREE MEASURE AND QUOTE

coast to country flooring
21 Murray St, Wonthaggi
5672 2915

AIR CONDITIONING

Stuart Slee

AIR CONDITIONING & REFRIGERATION SERVICE

Cars Domestic Washers
Trucks Air conditioners Dryers
Tractors Fridges Dishwashers
Earthmoving

RTA AU21680
16 Tilson Crt, LEONGATHA
0418 364 559 5662 3070

CARPET CLEANING

Brittys Cleaner Carpets

- Carpets • Tiles • Cars
- Upholstery • Mattresses

Reasonable rates and friendly service.
Call David Britt today
0400 907 201

DINGO SERVICES

BEN'S DINGO SERVICES

- Dingo (rubber tracks)
- Bucket work
- Rotary Hoe
- Trenching
- 2 ton excavator
- Post hole boring

Operating locally since 2001
0408 387 722

GATES & GARAGE DOORS

GIPPSLAND GATES & GARAGE DOORS

MADE TO ORDER

- SECTIONAL GARAGE DOORS
- GATES • MOTORS • ROLLADOORS
- TILT-DOORS • SERVICE & REPAIRS

Paul Deering 0408 335 948

ANTENNAS

TV reception trouble?
Need an antenna installed?
WE CAN HELP!

Visit our store for electronics, batteries, security and more.

WE Wonthaggi Electronics
9 Murray St, Wonthaggi 5672 4774

CONCRETING

BASS COAST CONCRETING

HIGH QUALITY CONCRETING SERVICES

Driveways | Paths | Outdoor areas | Sheds
Plain | Colour | Exposed Aggregate
0491 950 640

EARTHMOVING

MATTHEWS EARTHMOVING

- Trenching • Pool sites
- Post holes/piers • Land clearing and removal
- Farm track maintenance • Driveways
- House sites • Retaining walls

Lachlan Matthews Owner Operator
0409 581 062
lachlan@matthewsearthmoving.com

GUTTER CLEANING

VACUUM GUTTER CLEANING

Tree Pruning & Removals | Solar Panel Cleaning
Fully insured and 20 years experience

IMPACT
TREES & GUTTERS

FREE QUOTES
Phone Lochie 0417 315 846
Servicing all areas
impacttg@bigpond.com

ANTENNAS

PAULS ANTENNAS

- Professionally installing Antennas
- Data Points TV mounting
- Extra TV points

ALL WORK GUARANTEED 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE
Same day service. Covering all areas
Call Paul anytime 0402 429 114

CONCRETING

LEO MASTERSON CONCRETING

- Exposed aggregate • Driveways
- Crossovers • Cow lanes
- Factories • Shed floors

Call Leo: 0419 580 301

ELECTRICIAN

J&S ELECTRICIANS

For all your electrical works including

- Domestic upgrades
- Maintenance and Repairs
- TV, data and home networking
- Lighting installations & upgrades
- Kitchen appliances install

JOEL SHARPE 0412 950 720
www.jselectricians.com.au

GUTTER CLEANING

South East Gutter Cleaning

BEN 0450 186 235
se.guttercleaning@gmail.com
Vacuum Gutter Cleaning

ASPHALTING

ASPHALT

Schoolgrounds, Driveways
Carparks & repairs

Mike Rowley 0411 412 707
66 Nardoo Street, Cape Paterson 3995

CONCRETING

REINFORCED CONCRETE SOUTH GIPPSLAND

For all your concreting needs
Phone: 0447 137 009
Email: reinforcedconcreteaustralia@gmail.com

ELECTRICIAN

ALAN HEDLEY ELECTRICAL

0418 538 560 AH 5672 2191
Small jobs - no problem

HANDYMAN

SJC HOME MAINTENANCE
"Your Local" Qualified Tradesman

Home Maintenance
No job too small
Quality work at a great price, Fully insured

Call Mick 0424 414 495
www.sjchomemaintenance.com.au

TRADES & SERVICES



DIRECTORY

HOME & GARDEN

Gippsland Home & Garden Maintenance

- Lawns- small acreages, large residential blocks
 - Customised holiday property packages
 - General gardening jobs, including seasonal fruit tree pruning
 - Floor & wall tiling
 - Fences & repairs
 - Painting
- John 0414 917 468**
Call now for a quote!

PLUMBER

WESTERNPORT



SCOTT SHELTON

LIC. NO. 43406

0408 001 033

- Commercial & domestic • Maintenance
- New homes & renovations • 1 ton mini excavator

ROOF REPAIRS

SHIELD MASTER PTY LTD ROOFING

- New Tile & Iron Roofs
- Guttering & Metal Fascia • Demossing
- Repointing & Sealing • Colorbond
- Zincalume & Cement Recolor • Full Warranty

ALL AREAS *Phil Jones* 5662 5553

shieldmaster@bigpond.com.au • Leongatha

STEEL & ROOFING SUPPLIES

McRae Engineering

GENERAL FABRICATION, STRUCTURAL STEEL,
FARM AND EARTHMOVING,
MACHINERY REPAIRS, SHEDS, DAIRIES ETC.

CONSIDER IT NOW! *Stramit*

DELIVERIES ARRANGED OR PICK UPS WELCOME

5664 7408 | 0427 343 498 | 134 Whitelaw St, Meeniyah
shaun@mcraeengineering.net.au

HYGIENE SERVICES

medico

HYGIENE SERVICES
WASTE DISPOSAL

- Collection of clinical and related waste including sharps
 - Servicing ALL washroom related products
 - Sanitary units, nappy units
 - Air freshener units, W/C & urinal deep cleans
 - FREE clinical and related waste audits
 - Confidential document disposal service
- Phone: 1800 medico (1800 633 426)**
www.medicoservices.com.au 100% Australian owned and operated

PLUMBER

RELIABLE PLUMBER

Fast Response at an honest price



Tappy the Plumber
0427 776 808

email: tappy@waterfront.net.au

Fully Licenced & insured. All work guaranteed Lic. No. 119269C

ROOF RESTORATION

S.O.S. ROOFING

YOUR LOCAL ROOFER

- Find and fix leaks • Roof repainting
- Roofing repointing • Valley renewal
- Roof demossing • Guttering • Gutter cleaning

ALL WORK GUARANTEED
FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED

Call Steve 0412 160 071

TELECOMMUNICATIONS/IT



- Telephone business phone systems and solutions.
- Cloud business phone systems.
- Networking, IT data cabling and infrastructure.
- CCTV. • Access control.
- Multi building connectivity.
- Corporate/SME Wi-Fi implementation.
- NBN troubleshooting.
- Home/office and residential Wi-Fi solutions and advice.

Call us today 1300 441 337

LAWN MOWING



Call 131 546

- ✓ FREE QUOTES
 - ✓ Fully insured
 - ✓ Police checked
 - ✓ OH&S compliant
 - ✓ All work guaranteed
- RISK FREE**

Lawn mowing, gardening, pruning, hedging,
rubbish removal, gutter cleaning, weeding,
mulching, odd jobs

www.jimsmowing.com.au

MECHANICAL SALES & REPAIRS



- Kymco bike sales • Small engine sales & repairs
- Crossfire motorcycles • CF moto sales
- Origin energy household gas deliveries

E.W. & H.P. Fowler
WELSHPOOL OUTDOORS & ORIGIN GAS SUPPLIES

19 Main Street, Welshpool P: 5688 1304 F: 5688 1649
welshpooloutdoors@bigpond.com www.welshpooloutdoors.com.au

PAINTER / DECORATOR

M & J PAINTING

All aspects of painting

**SPECIALISING IN
PRE-SALE MAKEOVERS**

Commercial/Scheduled maintenance
Reliable and prompt

Call Mal 0448 101 771

POOL BARRIER INSPECTIONS

*Keeping your family safe
with compliant pool fences*

Pool Barrier Inspections

**CALL PETER FOR AN
APPOINTMENT TODAY**
0427 352 972

SECURITY

Security services
that's what we do best!

- ALARMS - CCTV - ACCESS CONTROL



Factory 2/36 Inverloch Rd, Wonthaggi
1300 32 42 52

TREE SERVICES



- Contracting
- Cherry Picker
- Qualified Arborist
- Qualified Climber
- Chipper/Tree Removals
- Stump Grinding

www.treex.com.au

Office Duane Thomas
0493 425 800 | 0409 968 040

PLASTERER / HANDYMAN



NEW HOMES | EXTENSIONS | PATCHWORK

25 years experience | ABN 43084756992
Call Jeremy 0411 147 818

PUMP REPAIRS



Improve water pressure in your
house or need a high pressure system
to clean down your dairy?
We have the knowledge and
products to get the job done well.

26a Hughes Street, Leongatha
p: 5662 2692 e: contact@actionpumps.com.au

SECURITY



**South Gippsland
Security Services**

- Patrols • Guards • Alarm responses
- Alarm monitoring

Your local security company for
Leongatha, Korumburra & district
Call Peter & Lesley Allman 5662 4280
Mob. 0427 516 317. Fax 5662 4259.
Lic. No. 655-194-505 sgsecurity@bigpond.com

WASTE SOLUTIONS

**Permanent
waste solutions**

Call the commercial and residential
waste specialists today!



www.wheelawaste.com.au

LOCALLY OWNED AND OPERATED

PLASTERER

LOOKING FOR A PLASTERER?

All aspects of
Rendering & Plastering
New and existing homes

FJ MAROTTA
RENDERING & PLASTERING
0400 599 170

RE-STUMPING

KEANE & SON
House Restumping & Levelling



Paul Keane
0427 080 309



keanesrestumping@outlook.com
PO Box 696, Wonthaggi, VIC, 3995

SOLAR

islandenergy

SOLAR - BATTERIES - OFF GRID

1300 534 110

WINDOW REPLACEMENT



WESTERNPORT
WINDOWS AND HOME MAINTENANCE

MARK
P: 0418 686 583

ALUMINIUM & TIMBER WINDOW REPLACEMENT
DECKS | PERGOLAS | VERANDAS

To advertise your business in the Sentinel-Times

TRADES & SERVICES DIRECTORY

\$50 per edition
full colour

\$33.70 per edition mono
(Min of five consecutive editions)

Send the details of
your advertisement to:
ads@sgst.com.au
or phone **5672 1888**

We accept:



**Advertise your
business here**

DEATHS

ANDERSON
(nee Wilson),
Mary Margaret:
06.08.1941 - 08.01.2023.

In loving Memory.

Loved Mother of
Roland, Bill, Vincent,
and Tom

“Rest in Peace”

BROWN
(nee Charlton),
Caroline Margaret:
01.04.1942 - 09.01.2023.

Aged 80 years.

Loving wife of Derek.

Loving mother of
Peter and Paola.

Loved Grandmother
of Jessica.

Sister to Gordon.

Aunt to Cathy,
Tony and Angus.

Finally at peace.

Thank you to Dr
Moncrieff of Mirboo
North Medical Centre,
in particular, thank you
Hannah and the
doctors and nurses at
South Gippsland
Palliative Care.

Private Funeral.

CAUGHEY,
Spencer (Spin):
29.09.1973 - 04.01.2023.

Dearly loved son of
Judy and Les (dec.).

To love and be loved
is the greatest gift
of all.

Loved brother of
Allan (dec.), Angela,
and Bentley.

How we miss the
good old days.

Loved husband of Ruth
and dearest Dad of
Kate and Noah.

Loved Uncle of Tobi,
Zach, Ailani, Eamonn,
Sebastian, Ciaran, and
Flynn.

Another Collingwood
Angel in heaven

Treasured
memories...
now at rest.

EDNEY (Timmins),
Joy Marilyn:
25.04.1930 - 08.01.2023.

Beloved only sister of
Brae, sister-in-law
of Dorothy.

Loved and loving
Auntie Joy to Suzanne,
John, Clive, and
Katrina and their
families.

DEATHS

GOLBY, Debra Ann:
08.07.1964 - 11.01.2023.

Loved wife of Paul.

Loving Mum and
mother-in-law of Jess
and Tim, Mitch and
Chealsey, Lucas,
Maddi and Luke,
Chris and Jess.
Adored Granny/
Grandma to Hugo;
Pippa, Mina; Charlotte,
Beau, and Nate.

Our Hearts are
Broken

GOLBY, Debra Ann:
08.07.1964 - 11.01.2023.

Loving daughter of
Keith and Alma and
beloved sister to
Steve and Janine.

Will be forever
missed.

HURST,
Jacki Michelle:
05.01.1985 - 09.01.2023.

Loved daughter of
Trevor and Michelle
(dec.).

Loved sister of Ryan.

Granddaughter to
Brian (dec.) and Marg,
Trevor and Joan (both
dec.).

Rest in Peace.

Private family burial

JONES, Andrew:
29.10.1970 - 29.12.2022.

Loved friend of
Graham, Ellie-Jade,
and Mollie.

Fond memories of
working together.

R.I.P.

MARTIN,
Janet Adele:
Passed away
peacefully on January
13, 2023, surrounded
by her family.

Loved wife of Roger
(dec.).

Cherished sister of
Valerie, Marion, and
Robert (dec.).

Loving Mum to Michael
and Susan, loving
step-mum to David and
Justine.

Adored Janma to all
her grandchildren.

DEATHS

OLDEN,
Lindsay John:
Passed away
peacefully on January
11, 2023.
Aged 95 years.

Loved husband of
Elvie.

Loving Dad and
father-in-law of John
and Dianne, Colin and
Anne, and Kathie.

Grandpa of Leanne,
Andrea; Matt, Ryan,
Mike and Cam.

CHESTERFIELD,
Nancie:
The Graveside Service
and Internment of
Ashes for Mrs Nancie
Chesterfield will be
held at the Korumburra
Cemetery, Kardella
Road, TOMORROW,
WEDNESDAY,
January 18, 2023,
commencing at 2pm.

GOLBY:
The Funeral Service
for Debra Ann Golby
will be held at Handley
& Anderson Chapel,
3085 Loch-Wonthaggi
Road, Wonthaggi
TOMORROW,
WEDNESDAY,
January 18, 2023,
commencing at 2pm.
A Private Cremation
will follow.

As per Deb's request
- no suit or ties to be
worn please.

MARTIN:
The Funeral Service
for Janet Martin will be
held at Handley &
Anderson Chapel,
3085 Loch-Wonthaggi
Road, Wonthaggi
TOMORROW,
WEDNESDAY, January
18, 2023, commencing
at 11am.

A Private Cremation
will follow.

For livestreaming
details go to
www.handleyand
andersonfunerals.
com.au

TREVISI, Rosina:
Passed away
05.01.2023 aged
91 years.

For 46 years; a dear
friend and neighbour
of Don and Lyn
Edwards (dec.).

Rosa and her late
husband Fiorello were
much admired and
together with their
children contributed
much to making
Wonthaggi such a
friendly and liveable
place for us.

Sincere condolences
to Steven, Glen,
Robert, Linda, and
their families.

Love to you all.

-- Don, Janet, and
Glenda Edwards.

FUNERALS

CAUGHEY:
The Funeral Service
for Spencer Caughey
will be held at
Handley & Anderson
Chapel, 3085 Loch-
Wonthaggi Road,
Wonthaggi
TODAY, TUESDAY
January 17, 2023,
commencing at 2pm.

A Private family burial
will follow this service.

TOMLIN:
The Funeral of Mr
Robert (Bob) Tomlin
will be held at St Peters
Anglican Church, 2/4
Bruce St, Leongatha,
on Monday, January
23, 2023, commencing
at 10am. After the
service the funeral will
leave for the
Bairnsdale cemetery
for the committal.

HAY, Jim:
19.01.1991.

Down the road of
memories, we softly
tread today,
Our love and thoughts
are with you as life
goes on its way.

Love always Darl, Fay,
Melissa, Prue,
Samantha, and
families.

OTTOSEN,
Beverly Joyce:
17.01.2006.

Many years have
passed but our
beautiful memories of
such a special lady
never fade. Our
Mother, our Nanna and
now you are a Great
Nanna again to Mason.
We miss you so much
at life's special events,
but you are always in
our hearts. Love you
Mum.

-- Graeme, Josie, Kelly,
and Marc.

FOR SALE

A VAN CRUISER:
2018 Model.
Has not moved since
COVID started.
As new, still registered.
Got everything!
\$35,000.
Phone: 0429 851 590.

FILING
CABINETS
Brand new with
an anti-tilt
safety feature
Available in 2, 3
and 4 drawers.
Over 8 colours to
choose from.
Order now at the
Sentinel-Times
Wonthaggi office
47 McBride Avenue
5672 1888

HANDMADE
WOODEN TOYS:
Huon Pine Replica
Model Tractors,
1/43 scale.
Phone: 5674 2548.

HAY:
Small squares, this
season, good quality,
\$10 per bale,
free delivery.
Phone 5657 3291.

5 PIECE DINING
SETTING:
Only 1 year old.
Can send photos.
\$250 o.n.o
Phone: 0478 226 395.

WALKER RIDE ON
PETROL MOWER:
18hp, 42 inch cut.
Has easy maintenance
access to motor and
cutters.
260 hours of use,
manuals, and
documents available.
\$7,000 o.n.o.
Phone
Jim 0411 034 054 or
Bert 0499 652 144.

KORUMBURRA:
St Paul's Anglican
Church,

3 Queen Street,
Saturday, January 21,
8.30am - 2pm.
Furniture, household
goods bric-a-brac etc.
All goods make an
offer.

GARAGE SALES

WONTHAGGI:
9 Matthew Street,
Saturday, January 21,
and
Sunday, January 22.
8am - 3pm.

Lots of new clothes,
household goods,
bric-a-brac, plants
and much more.

WONTHAGGI:
9 Henry Street East,
Saturday, January 21,
9am - 2pm.

Household goods,
women's clothing and
bric-a-brac.

USED CARS
TRUCKS & TRACTORS
AAAAAAAAAAAA
FREE
CAR REMOVAL
WE PAY
YOU*
Buyers of scrap metal,
bins provided
5 tonne excavator
available for clean ups
Bass Coast Recyclers
5672 2946
0417 556 593
*Conditions apply

BASS COAST
CAR REMOVALS
We pay you for your
unwanted cars,
4x4's & trucks
We can also remove
incomplete cars & farm scrap
metal for free. Cars must
have wheels and VIN number
Call Shane
7 days a week
5678 2002 or
0407 599 616

NOTICE TO
ADVERTISERS:
Advertisements offering a
used motor car for sale must
include in the advertisement:
(a) The cash price of the
motor car; and
(b) Whichever of the
following is applicable...
• If the motor car is
registered, the registration
number; or
• If the motor car is
unregistered, the engine
number of the vehicle.

PUBLIC NOTICES
Lifeline
HELP IS AS
CLOSE AS THE
TELEPHONE
13 11 14

FOR RENT

FARMHOUSE TO
RENT - The Gurdies:
4 bedroom
2 bathroom
A/C & Coonara heating
No dogs
No smoking
References essential
\$425 p/week
Bond \$1700
(1 months rent)
Contact 0408 544 131

HEALTH &
WELL BEING
Mental Health
is vital in these
crazy times.
Jason Crestani,
Psychologist is
still open!
Over 25 years
experience.
Local resident.
Specialises in
children & also
sees adults!
NDIS registered &
Medicare rebates.
Call us with your
questions today.
www.inspiredhoney.com
P: 0425 764 733

SITUATIONS
VACANT
NEWSPAPER
DELIVERY DRIVER:
We are seeking an
early morning delivery
driver to join the team.
Hours are 5am - 8am
on a rotating roster.
Ideal for an early
starter with own car.
Working from the
Inverloch Newsagency.
Please call David on
0411 247 993 for
further details.

WESTERNPORT
HOTEL:
Kitchenhand / Dishy
(12-40 hrs/wk)
Bar staff (12-30 hrs/wk)
Wait staff (12-30 hrs/wk)
Apply to nick@
thewesternport.com.au
or in person

The Westernport Hotel
161 Marine Parade,
San Remo 3925
www.thewesternport.
com.au

Phillip Island Winery
414 Berrys Beach Rd,
Ventnor 3922
www.phillipisland
winery.com.au

Handley & Anderson
FUNERAL DIRECTORS
Serving South Gippsland & Phillip Island

Locally owned
and operated by
Scott & Sharon
Anderson
5672 1074

Caring and personal 24 hour Service
Main office Wonthaggi
3085 Loch-Wonthaggi Road, Wonthaggi
(P.O Box 35)
Cowes office (by appointment)
15 Warley Avenue, Cowes 5952 5171
Email: info@handafunerals.com.au
www.handleyandandersonfunerals.com.au
A.F.D.A.

HMC14774

Handley
FUNERAL SERVICES

Caring For Our Community
Our experienced and qualified staff
provide personal, dignified service to all areas
Pre-need Funeral Plans available
5662 2717
24 hours - 7 days
Office and Chapel:
24 Anderson Street, Leongatha
info@handleyfuneralservices.com.au
www.handleyfuneralservicescom.au

HMC14773

MILKINS
FUNERALS
Inc. Wonthaggi Funeral Services. Est 1973.
~ Servicing all districts ~
~ Chapel facilities available ~
For prompt and personalised
service phone
WONTHAGGI 5672 3123
PHILLIP ISLAND 5952 3485
PRE-ARRANGED AND PRE-PAID
FACILITIES AVAILABLE
Office - 102 Graham Street, Wonthaggi
A.F.D.A.

HMC14775

HARWOOD FUNERALS
Family owned and locally based Funeral
Directors. We bring 25 years experience
to families in Traralgon, Morwell,
Churchill, Moe, Trafalgar, Korumburra
and surrounding areas.
THE CHOICE IS YOURS
Practical, sensible and affordable.
We offer both at-need and pre-paid
funerals. Dignity and Respect, always.
CREMATION PACKAGES
FROM \$2750
www.harwoodfunerals.com.au
For 24/7 support 0405 669 532

HMC14775

40 | TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 | SOUTH GIPPSLAND SENTINEL-TIMES

Sentinel-Times Classifieds

SITUATIONS VACANT



Regional Engagement Manager – 3 positions (Gippsland, Barwon South West & Loddon Mallee)

Location: Various

Salary: \$127,467 to \$170,579 + super.

Position No: 50946193, 50946194 and 50946195

Be part of Victoria's once-in-a generation energy transition!

As the State's ageing coal-fired power stations retire in the coming decades, they are being replaced with renewables. Our electricity system must also change to carry energy from where it is generated to where it is needed.

Shifting to renewable energy will deliver affordable, reliable and secure electricity. It will also help us deal with climate change by reducing our emissions.

To achieve these goals, VicGrid is coordinating the overarching planning and development of the following renewable energy zones (REZ) in Victoria. As part of this, VicGrid is building a new Project Delivery branch to support the development and delivery of transmission infrastructure projects (or non-network alternatives) within the REZs.

The Regional Engagement Manager – Project Delivery positions are responsible for designing and implementing a best practice strategy and framework for regional community and stakeholder engagement for transmission projects being developed in the Gippsland, South West and Murray River REZs.

These positions are based within the Gippsland, Barwon South West and Loddon Mallee regions, with an immediate focus on locations where transmission projects are being developed to coordinate offshore wind, and where the KerangLink interconnector between Victoria and New South Wales is being developed. This local approach is designed to enable earlier and deeper engagement with communities and build effective social licence, consistent with the objectives in the Preliminary Victorian Transmission Investment Framework (VTIF).

The Regional Engagement Manager – Project Delivery positions are responsible for designing and implementing tailored engagement strategies for a broad range of stakeholders (including local communities and landholders), building relationships with Traditional Owners, developing collateral to support engagement strategies, and liaising with proponents during project delivery to implement the strategies as required throughout the project lifecycle.

Specialist/Technical Expertise/Qualifications

- Tertiary qualifications in stakeholder engagement, media, or public relations.
- Strong experience in stakeholder engagement, with experience on complex major projects highly valued.
- Experience in preparing promotional and communication materials.
- Experience in regional development and/or engagement with regional communities, including experience working or engaging with First Peoples.
- Knowledge of the communities and local economies in Gippsland, Barwon South West and Loddon Mallee, with networks in these regions highly valued.

There are 3 fixed term positions available until 30 June 2025. The work location for these positions is Gippsland, Barwon South West and Loddon Mallee Regions respectively, with hybrid work arrangements available.

To be considered for these positions, applicants are encouraged to submit a resume and cover letter (no longer than 2 pages) summarising their skills and relevant experience.

For these particular vacancies, priority consideration applies to Victorian Public Service (VPS) and select employees of the Victorian Public Sector who apply through the Jobs and Skills Exchange (JSE) jobs board platform.

Applications close at midnight on Monday, 23 January 2023.

For further information including the position description, key selection criteria and to apply visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

RD0654

SITUATIONS VACANT



Senior Regional Engagement Officer – 4 positions (Gippsland, Barwon South West & Loddon Mallee x2)

Location: Various

Salary: \$103,920 to \$125,735 + super.

Position No: 50946220, 50946221, 50946222 and 50946223

Be part of Victoria's once-in-a generation energy transition!

As the State's ageing coal-fired power stations retire in the coming decades, they are being replaced with renewables. Our electricity system must also change to carry energy from where it is generated to where it is needed.

Shifting to renewable energy will deliver affordable, reliable and secure electricity. It will also help us deal with climate change by reducing our emissions.

To achieve these goals, VicGrid is coordinating the overarching planning and development of six renewable energy zones (REZ) in Victoria. As part of this, VicGrid is building a new Project Delivery branch to support the development and delivery of transmission infrastructure projects (or non-network alternatives) within the REZs.

The Senior Regional Engagement Officer – Project Delivery positions are responsible for implementing a best practice strategy and framework for regional community and stakeholder engagement for transmission projects being developed in the Gippsland, South West and Murray River REZs.

These positions are based within the Gippsland, Barwon South West and Loddon Mallee regions, with an immediate focus on locations where transmission projects are being developed to coordinate offshore wind, and where the KerangLink interconnector between Victoria and New South Wales is being developed. This local approach is designed to enable earlier and deeper engagement with communities and build effective social licence, consistent with the objectives in the Preliminary Victorian Transmission Investment Framework (VTIF).

The Senior Regional Engagement Officer – Project Delivery positions work within a regional engagement team to implement tailored engagement strategies for a broad range of stakeholders (including local communities and landholders), build relationships with Traditional Owners, develop collateral to support engagement strategies, and liaise with proponents during project delivery to implement the strategies as required throughout the project lifecycle.

Specialist/Technical Expertise/Qualifications

- Tertiary qualifications in stakeholder engagement, media, or public relations.
- Strong experience in stakeholder engagement, with experience on complex major projects or experience engaging with regional communities highly valued.
- Experience in developing promotional and communication materials.
- Knowledge of the communities and local economies in the Gippsland, Barwon South West and Loddon Mallee regions.

There are 4 fixed term positions available until 30 June 2025. The work location for these positions is Gippsland (1), Barwon South West (1) and Loddon Mallee (2) Regions respectively, with hybrid work arrangements available.

To be considered for these positions, applicants are encouraged to submit a resume and cover letter (no longer than 2 pages) summarising their skills and relevant experience. Please reference your desired location as part of your application.

For these particular vacancies, priority consideration applies to Victorian Public Service (VPS) and select employees of the Victorian Public Sector who apply through the Jobs and Skills Exchange (JSE) jobs board platform.

Applications close at midnight on Monday, 23 January 2023.

For further information including the position description, key selection criteria and to apply visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

RD0655

DEADLINES

Classified single column

Mondays 12.30pm

Classified double column

Fridays 4.30pm

Please note that double column advertisements requiring a proof must be received at least two hours prior to deadline and proofs will not be provided for single column advertisements.

TO ADVERTISE



Phone:
5672 1888



Email:
ads@sgst.com.au



In person:
**47 McBride Ave, Wonthaggi
36 McCartin St, Leongatha**



Mail:
47 McBride Ave, Wonthaggi

Office Hours:
9am-5pm Monday to Friday

Payments accepted:



Advertising conditions:

Full name and address of advertiser must be supplied even though not necessarily included in advertisement.

The publishers reserve the right to omit and alter any advertisement. Please check your ad is correct the first day it appears. While every care is taken to ensure your ad is correct, errors can occur. We regret that we cannot be responsible for any errors beyond the first day if you fail to bring it to our attention.

All advertisements must be prepaid unless client has an existing credit facility. Accounts are due and payable on the due date as shown on the account.

The Motor Car Traders Regulations:

States that from July 1, 1998 all advertisements for used vehicles including motorcycles must include the cash price of vehicle and registration number or engine number if not registered.

Sentinel-Times

Visit our website: **www.sgst.com.au**

ECOLIV

Ecoliv Buildings is Victoria's leading sustainable prefab modular builder delivering projects all over Australia. Our growing team located at our central construction facility at The Gurdies requires new team members to support continued business growth and expansion.

ESTIMATOR
Full Time

CARPENTERS
Full Time

All applications to Ashley Beaumont at ashley@ecoliv.com.au

LB0723

FOSTER medical centre

Medical Practice Manager Opportunity

- Are you looking for a new challenge?
- Interested in a leadership position?
- Join a recently fully accredited practice

The Foster and Toora Medical Centre, located in beautiful South Gippsland, has a fantastic opportunity for an accomplished and experienced manager to join their friendly team on a full-time basis.

We are looking for an innovative, pro-active leader with strong interpersonal skills, who is able to drive and manage our medical practice on a day to day basis. You must be a strategic thinker, results focused, financially astute, competent with medical software and Microsoft Office suite, familiarity or willingness to learn MBS (software), have strong strategic and operational experience, excellent people management and organisational skills.

Ideally the successful candidate will have medical practice or clinical experience. It is essential that you can demonstrate an ability and willingness to learn and integrate quickly into the role.

You will be supported by a strong and experienced operations team.

Broad Duties & Responsibilities:

- Strategic planning (development and ongoing management)
- Day to day operational management
- Setting and maintaining budgets
- Overseeing the financial management requirements of the business
- HR and team leadership
- Ensuring best practice is achieved in all operational activities
- Procurement, Contracts and Service Agreements
- Quality management

Desired Skills & Experience:

- Tertiary qualifications in Business, Human Services, or health related field
- Strong financial, analytical and business planning capabilities
- Demonstrated ability to set a vision and develop quantitative and qualitative strategies, to gain commitment and delivery
- Demonstrated ability to manage varying and/or conflicting stakeholder demands
- Proven leadership, communication and people management skills
- Proven ability to operate effectively in a highly regulated environment

In return you will be offered a competitive salary and the opportunity to work in a fantastic environment and really make the role your own.

To apply for this position, please email your cover letter, addressing the key criteria and resume to: inspirepeopleconsulting@gmail.com.

For a copy of the position description or more details please call Elisa Nudelman on 0401 574 060.

Applications Close:
Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

LB0728



Positions Vacant

**Registered Nurse or
RN Midwife or Enrolled Nurse**
up to 1.0 EFT

Physiotherapist
Grade 1 or Grade 2
0.63 EFT (Neg), permanent part time

Podiatrist
Grade 1 or Grade 2
(depending on experience)
0.84 EFT, permanent part time

Dietitian
Grade 2
0.21 EFT, permanent part time

Occupational Therapist
Grade 2
0.42 EFT, up to 11 months fixed term
parental leave position

For more information, visit our website at:
southgippslandhospital.com.au

LB0730

We're hiring

Join a safety focused,
leading employer.

We are looking for
two dynamic people
to join our diverse and
inclusive workforce.

Meter Reader

(Full time - Fixed term contract
to 2 June 2023, Band 2)

Undertake meter readings,
monitor for abnormal usage
and leaks and interact with
customers in a friendly,
professional manner.

Applications close - 1 Feb 2023

Water Quality Specialist

(Full time - Ongoing, Band 5)

Lead plans, strategies and
performance in drinking water
quality, water catchment
and resource management,
integrated water planning and
dam safety.

Applications close - 6 Feb 2023

For further details, please visit
www.westernportwater.com.au
or call 1300 720 711



B Double Truck Driver

Ryans Transport

Full Time Interstate Driver
Monday to Friday
Leongatha Based
New equipment, excellent rates
Must have MC licence
Call Tom: 0409 613 664

LB0727



Bass Coast Health

Current vacancies

Registered Nurse -Outpatient
Permanent Part Time - Closes 27/01/2023

Registered Nurse - Acute
Permanent Full Time, Part Time, Casual
- Closes 27/01/2023

Return to Work Coordinator
Permanent Full Time - Closes 22/01/2023

Oral Health Therapist
Permanent Full Time, Part Time
- Closes 27/01/2023

Registered Nurse - Urgent Care Centre
Permanent Part Time - Closes 29/01/2023

Administration Assistant
Permanent Part Time - Closes 29/01/2023

Associate Nurse Unit Manager - Emergency
Permanent Part Time/ all hours considered

Intake Coordinator
Permanent Part Time - Closes 27/01/2023

**Manager Safety & Emergency
Management**
Permanent Full Time - Closes 22/01/2023

Community Advisory Committee Member
Casual - Closes 29/01/2023

Integrated Family Services Practitioner
Permanent Full Time, Part Time
- Closes 28/01/2023

Manager Workforce Bureau
Permanent Full Time - Closes 03/02/2023

Nurse Unit Manager Perioperative Service
Permanent Full Time - Closes 04/02/2023

Surgical Liaison Nurse
Fixed Term Part Time - Closes 03/02/2023

Team Leader Integrated Family Services
Permanent Full Time - Closes 28/01/2023

**Associated Nurse Unit Manager - Central
Sterilising Department**
Permanent Part Time - Closes 28/01/2023

Physiotherapist
Permanent Part Time - Closes 27/01/2023

Perioperative Services Manager
Permanent Full Time - Closes 03/02/2023

Registered Nurse - Emergency
Full Time, Part Time, Casual
- Closes 31/01/2023

To find out more about working at
Bass Coast Health and to apply, visit
the Careers page on our website or
contact our HR team on
hr@basscoasthealth.org.au or **5671 3151**



p 5671 3151
e hr@basscoasthealth.org.au
w www.basscoasthealth.org.au

LB0724

School Bus Driver

Leongatha Area
For more information
Contact 03 5683 2555

LB0736



WILLIAMS, EDWARDS & FINDLAY
CERTIFIED PRACTISING ACCOUNTANTS

Part Time Assistant Bookkeeper/Accountant

Want to join a team of local people working
in a friendly and welcoming environment?

Do you have excellent time management &
communication skills and a proven interest
in working in the accounting field?

Does assisting in the preparation of BAS's,
Financial Accounts and Tax Returns for a
variety of entities sound like your ideal job?

We have an opportunity to employ an
Assistant Bookkeeper/Accountant, based
in Korumburra. Prior experience is not a
pre-requisite for this position however an
understanding of the Australian tax system
is required.

We are offering a flexible role with full
training while you have the chance to gain
extensive knowledge in the application of
Australian tax laws and experience in a wide
variety of accounting tasks.

If you believe you are a good fit for this
position, please express your interest by
Sunday, January 29, 2023 to Donna -
donnaw@wef.com.au
or 19 Commercial St, Korumburra 3950

LB0728



New Home Sales Consultant

Coldon Homes is an established business
with over 60 years in the building industry,
operating through the South Gippsland and
Bass Coast areas.

We are seeking a highly motivated person
with a background in sales (any sales
experience is advantageous and does
not need to be in residential building) or a
person with relevant building knowledge who
has the ability and ambition to advance their
career to a New Home Sales Consultant.

The successful candidate will form part of a
well organised, successful team and possess
the following skill set:

- Ability to effectively communicate with a wide range of clients and team members;
- Strong organisational skills;
- High level of attention to detail;
- Good personal presentation and confidence in working with clients;
- Well-developed time management skills with the ability to prioritise;
- Ability to provide outstanding customer service from initial contact to signing of contracts;
- Ability to work autonomously and effectively manage enquiries, leads and client workflow; and
- Demonstrate a high level of integrity, drive and energy.

Full training and support provided. This is a highly rewarding role with an attractive remuneration package on offer.

To apply, please send your resume and
cover letter to Michelle or contact
her with any queries -
michelle.marriott@cv-bp.com.au

Applications close
Friday, January 27 2023

LB0684

SITUATIONS VACANT Phillip Island Grand Prix Circuit

FOOD & BEVERAGE EVENT STAFF

Casual positions available

Come and join the Catering team and work in the hub of the action and experience the atmosphere of the international world class venue.

We require casual staff for the Superbike World Championship, held February 24-26, 2023 with the following experience:

- Counter Staff
- Barista Experience
- Food Prep/Kitchen Hand
- Chef / Cook

Please email resume and cover letter to emma.nash@phillipislandcircuit.com.au



Tel: 5952 2710
w:www.phillipislandcircuit.com.au
e:info@phillipislandcircuit.com.au

LB0735



42 Murray St, Wonthaggi
25 A'Beckett St, Inverloch
2/1524 Bass Hwy, Grantville
Shop 5, 8-10 Forrest Ave, Newhaven (opening soon)

Traineeship Medical Receptionist

Interested in kicking off a career in the medical administration field?

Wonthaggi Medical Group are seeking an enthusiastic trainee to join our team.

For position description and selection criteria, or general enquiries about the position on offer, email or write to:

Gayle Bloch, Practice Manager
Wonthaggi Medical Group
42 Murray Street, Wonthaggi
Email:gbloch@wonthaggimedical.com.au
Fax: 5672 4219

Only written applications addressing the criteria that arrive before close of day **Friday, January 27** will be accepted.



www.wonthaggimedical.com.au

JA21227



CERTIFICATE II & III HORTICULTURE TRAINER 2023

Bass Coast Adult Learning is seeking a qualified and experienced trainer for the 2023 academic year.

Applicants will require Cert III in Horticulture plus a TAE40116 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment.

Responsibilities for this position include delivery of the accredited courses, coordination and/or delivery of pre-accredited courses, coordination of the BCAL training garden and garden volunteers.

For a position description and enquiries call 5672 3115 or email info@bcal.vic.edu.au

Applications need to include a cover letter, a current CV with two recent professional referees and a separate statement addressing the Selection Criteria. All applications should be sent to the above email or delivered to BCAL at 239 White Road Wonthaggi.

Working with Children Check and certified copies of qualifications required. A police check will also be required on employment.

Applications close 12 noon,
Friday, January 27, 2023.

JA21252



After hours RACV road side service position

Edney's Leongatha are seeking an enthusiastic person to undertake after hours RACV break down service.

Applicant should be hands on, must be able to work alone & have sound mechanical knowledge to enable high customer service. This position is rostered and training will be given to the right applicant.

If this position suits you please email application & experience to:
service@edney.com.au
or call on 03 5662 2327 Nick McRae

LB0725

ADVERTISERS PLEASE NOTE:

Much hardship and difficulty is caused to jobseekers by misleading advertisements placed in the employment columns.

Our Positions Vacant / Situations Vacant columns are reserved for advertisements which carry a specific and genuine offer of employment.

Ads for 'Business Opportunities', 'Commission Only/Sales,' training courses and employment services should be submitted under those headings.

Placing misleading job ads is an offence against the ACL and all advertisements are subject to the publisher's approval. For further advice contact the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission on 1300 302 502 or Consumer Affairs Victoria.



Traditional Owners Engagement – Senior Liaison Officer (Designated Aboriginal Position)

Location: Flexible within Victoria

Salary: \$103,920 to \$125,735 + super.

Position No: 50946196

Be part of Victoria's once-in-a generation energy transition!

As the State's ageing coal-fired power stations retire in the coming decades, they are being replaced with renewables. Our electricity system must also change to carry energy from where it is generated to where it is needed.

Shifting to renewable energy will deliver affordable, reliable and secure electricity. It will also help us deal with climate change by reducing our emissions.

To achieve these goals, VicGrid is coordinating the overarching planning and development of the following renewable energy zones (REZ) in Victoria. As part of this, VicGrid is building a new Project Delivery branch to support the development and delivery of transmission infrastructure projects (or non-network alternatives) within the REZs.

The Traditional Owners Engagement – Senior Liaison Officer, Project Delivery is responsible for developing and implementing a best practice strategy and framework to engage with Traditional Owner groups on transmission projects in the development and delivery phase. The position works across DEECA to establish a partnership approach to engagement with Traditional Owners and Aboriginal Victorians, consistent with the objectives for community and stakeholder engagement in the Preliminary Victorian Transmission Investment Framework (VTIF).

The Traditional Owners Engagement – Senior Liaison Officer, Project Delivery is responsible for working with relevant teams within DEECA to building meaningful relationships with Traditional Owner groups throughout the transmission project development lifecycle.

Specialist/Technical Expertise/Qualifications

- Relevant tertiary qualifications.
- Experience engaging with Traditional Owners and/or First Peoples communities.
- Knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal cultures and societies and demonstrated ability to work and communicate effectively with Aboriginal people to advance their interests.

This is a fixed term position available until 30 June 2025.

The work location for this position is flexible within Victoria with hybrid work arrangements available.

To be considered for this position, applicants are encouraged to submit a resume and cover letter (no longer than 2 pages) summarising their skills and relevant experience.

For this particular vacancy, priority consideration applies to Victorian Public Service (VPS) and select employees of the Victorian Public Sector who apply through the Jobs and Skills Exchange (JSE) jobs board platform).

Applications close at midnight on Monday, 23 January 2023.

For further information including the position description, key selection criteria and to apply visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

ES0056



Truck and Dog Operator Required

We are looking for an experienced operator to join our team. The role has potential to be full time, part time or flexible hours, with seasonal work available. Competitive rates/package for the right candidate. Based in Tarwin Lower.

Contact Dave on 0438 056 987

LB0707

Commit to a career in Child Protection



Advanced Child Protection Practitioner CPP4

- Location: Morwell
- Work Status: Ongoing
- Salary: \$90,067 - \$102,192
- Committed to working with children, young people and families?
- Able to effectively engage to provide families with the optimum capacity for change?
- Able to lead a small dedicated team less experienced CPP's?

The Advanced Child Protection Practitioner receives and assesses reports of alleged abuse and neglect of children and young people. They undertake investigations and develop plans to bring about the changes necessary to ensure the safety, stability and development of children and young people and to promote the achievement of case plan objectives within specified timeframes. This may include taking matters to court.

Mandatory qualifications or requirements for this opportunity include:

A recognised Social Work degree or a similar welfare or behavioural related degree which includes a primary focus on child development, human behaviour, family dynamics and/or impacts of trauma; and preferably a practical component such as counselling or case work practice or

A recognised Diploma of Community Services Work, or similar qualification which is studied over a minimum of two academic years of full-time study (or part time equivalent) and includes a primary focus on child development, human behaviour, family dynamics and/or impacts of trauma; and preferably a practical component such as counselling or case work practice and

A valid driver's licence.

Contact for further information: Pauline Somerville, Deputy Area Operations Manager Pauline.Somerville@dffh.vic.gov.au

Reference number: DFFH/COPL/382919

Applications close: Sunday 22 January 2023

For more information about this opportunity, please go to www.careers.vic.gov.au and download a position description to view departmental information, the selection criteria, our pre-employment screening requirements and our Diversity and Inclusion commitments.

PUBLIC NOTICES



Making a real difference in the lives of people across Bass Coast.

If you can give, please
give where you live.

www.bccf.org.au

Employment

Complete jobs listing online | www.sgst.com.au



A. W Smith & Sons P/L

Full Time

Timber Sales/Driver

We currently have a full-time position available in our Timber Sales and Delivery Department within our Hardware business.

This position requires an enthusiastic person to be involved in the daily running of our business, must be available to work weekends as rostered. The successful candidate will demonstrate sound customer service skills, some computer knowledge would be an advantage and a willingness to learn.

A full Medium Rigid Licence and current Forklift Licence would be required. Previous experience in Timber and Hardware would be beneficial, although not essential. Salary will be negotiable for the right applicant.

Please forward application & resume to: Manager, A W Smith & Sons P/L 7-13 Roughhead Street, Leongatha 3953 or email: accounts@awsmith.com.au

Applications close: Friday, January 27.

Please note: Only successful applicants will be notified for an interview.

Employment Opportunity

Independent Audit & Risk Committee Member

South Gippsland Shire Council is seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified and energetic persons to join its Audit and Risk Committee as an Independent Member.

Applicants will have several years of experience at a senior level in one or several of the following disciplines or areas:

- Public Sector, Legal or Business Management;
- Fraud Prevention and Control;
- IT Strategy, Data Management and IT Security;
- Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery;
- Corporate Governance;
- Risk Management; and
- Financial Management and Audit.

Please apply via Council's website: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au. To obtain the candidate information pack or for a confidential discussion about this opportunity, please contact Chief Executive Officer Kerryn Ellis on (03) 5662 9890.

Applications close at midnight on Wednesday 25 January, 2023 and shortlisted candidates must be available for interview on Tuesday 31 January, 2023.



Motor Mechanic

Need a change!!!

Edney's of Leongatha is seeking a qualified motor mechanic to join its expanding Nissan/Hyundai dealership. The successful applicant will be given the latest dealership training throughout their employment while working in a friendly, modern environment.

You will also have the opportunity to expand your skills with RACV road service. A 4th year apprentice will be considered.

Come and join our team.

Forward hand written applications to:
Edney's Leongatha
Attention: Nick McRae
PO Box 72, Leongatha 3953
service@edney.com.au

Mechanic

Qualified – Full time

Wheel-A-Waste has been established for 35 years and has built a great reputation in the local area.

Located in Wonthaggi, we specialise in providing quality waste and recycling services.

The role includes:

- Maintaining all aspects of vehicles to relevant transport legislation and standards
- Maintaining all aspects of equipment to the suppliers standard
- Carry out scheduled preventative maintenance services
- Road testing of vehicles

To be successful for this role you must have:

- HR licence

Company vehicle included in salary.

If you have the essential requirements and would like to seize this great opportunity, please send your resume and cover letter to:

PO Box 878, Wonthaggi, 3995 or
[email: accounts@wheelawaste.com](mailto:accounts@wheelawaste.com)

SPORTS



Melina Bath MP The Nationals Member for Eastern Victoria Region (centre) officially opened the Westernport Field & Game John Paterson Clubrooms alongside (from left) President Rob Passarin, Vice President Bill McFee, Secretary Jenn Wade and Jeff Bourman MP The Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Member for Eastern Victoria. C13_0323

Rebuilding from the ashes

THE SUN was out, and the view was spectacular as 83 shooters took on Westernport Field and Games Day One 100 Target Stan McFee Memorial/Club Championship Shoot on Saturday.

But the best was yet to come after a day of fierce competition with Melina Bath MP, The Nationals Member for Eastern Victoria Region, officially opening the John Paterson Clubrooms extension on Saturday evening in front of a raucous crowd ahead of the Stan McFee Memorial Dinner.

Currently positioned on seven and a half acres in Rhyll, the club has been going from strength to strength over the last 51 years, and a fire a couple of decades back only cemented the strength of the close-knit community.

With in-kind support ticking over the final count, the clubroom extensions were made possible by a grant from the Shooting Sports program, volunteer hours, fundraising and donations.

"The funds have enabled us to build disabled toilets, a larger office, clubrooms and canteen," Vice President Bill McFee explained.

"We truly are an all-inclusive facility –

age inclusive with disability access."

The clubrooms have been dedicated to the late life member and avid shooter, John Paterson.

"It's magnificent – amazing world class views," Melina Bath smiled in front of the crowd.

"I want to congratulate you again, and John Paterson in his memory for being such a fantastic club and being inclusive – from young children to grandpa's..."

One hundred and two shooters took to the course on day two of the event for a 75 target field with Robert Passarin securing High Gun.

Stan McFee Memorial/Club Championship – Overall Results (Two Day Event)

Gold Sponsors: Bettsys Glass and Plumbers Now

Sponsors: Cowes TV & Antenna Systems and J&K Handyman

Club Champion: Jarryd Passarin (161)

AA Grade: 1st Robert Passarin (159)

A Grade: 1st Matt Harris-Spencer (159)

B Grade: 1st Nick Trajkovski (128)

C Grade: 1st Sam Columbine (126)

Junior: 1st Will Witkowski (148)

Ladies: 1st Sarah Fritsch (135)

Door Prize Winner: Sarah Fritsch

Wonthaggi Pony Club camp a huge success

WONTHAGGI Pony Club recently hosted its annual three-day camp with over 90 riders and their families attending from throughout Victoria.

Participants ranged from eight to 64 years of age with the club welcoming adult rider participation.

People came from as far as Werribee, Yarra Valley, Macedon, Ballarat, Seville, Toongabbie and locally including clubs such as Warragul and Tarwin Lower Pony Club.

Pony Club president, Tanya Jackson spoke about the ongoing success and popularity of the event.

"One family from the Seville Pony Club has attended their 11th consecutive year; they wouldn't miss it!" she said.

The nine instructors for the event (Matt Archibald, Adam Wootten, Emily Hill, Samantha Cresnik, Chris Height, Brooke McLaren, Antony Bartlett, Bec Ham and Paul Williams) provided three riding sessions each day in the disciplines of Show Jumping, Dressage and Cross Country.

Brooke McLaren provided an evening demonstration, showcasing her amazing dressage talent and giving all riders inspiration, education and encouragement.



Isla McLean takes on the water jump.

TIDE GUIDE

TIDAL PREDICTIONS FROM
PORT PHILLIP HEADS

Approx. Tide Variations: Seal Rocks,
Venus Bay, Waratah Bay and Cape
Woolamai (Same), Tooradin +2hrs 45,
Cowes Pier +50, Stony Point +40

TUESDAY
January 17

▼ 12.40am
0.65m
▲ 7.11am
1.43m
▼ 1.10pm
0.37m
▲ 8.14pm
1.36m

WEDNESDAY
January 18

▼ 1.27am
0.75m
▲ 7.50am
1.38m
▼ 1.53pm
0.33m
▲ 9.17pm
1.38m

THURSDAY
January 19

▼ 2.20am
0.84m
▲ 8.37am
1.34m
▼ 2.45pm
0.31m
▲ 10.27pm
1.40m

FRIDAY
January 20

▼ 3.24am
0.91m
▲ 9.36am
1.30m
▼ 3.48pm
0.28m
▲ 11.40pm
1.45m

SATURDAY
January 21

▼ 4.41am
0.94m
▲ 10.45am
1.28m
▼ 5.03pm
0.25m

SUNDAY
January 22

▲ 12.49am
1.51m
▼ 6.00am
0.89m
▲ 12.07pm
1.31m
▼ 6.20pm
0.21m

MONDAY
January 23

▲ 1.51am
1.58m
▼ 7.11am
0.80m
▲ 1.21pm
1.36m
▼ 7.28pm
0.17m

Email us your
fishing photos

news@sgst.com.au

KORUMBURRA

A RELATIVELY quiet week this week with mainly only pennant happening in mid-week pennant. Division one travelled to Wonthaggi with no teams successful Jenny McVeigh got the closest going down 19 shots to 17.

Division 3 travelled to Fish Creek Katrina Evans had a good win getting up 24 shots to 9 while Cheryl Moore went down 31 shots to 6.

Saturday Pennant saw division 1 Travelling to Phillip Island Keith March got up winning 25 shots to 17 Rob Cosson lost 21 shots to 24

Division 2 played San Remo at home.

Les Eastman had a one-shot win getting up 20 shots to 19 Graham Freestone went down 18 shots to 22.

Division 4 travelled to Port Welshpool and had a disastrous day Jo LoMagno went down 11 shots to 30.

Peter Horsfield went down 13 shots to 34 and Alan Cherrett went down 5 shots to 32 not a good day.

LEONGATHA

THE CHAMP of champ final matches was played at the Wonthaggi Bowls Club on Sunday January 8. Leongatha Bowls club was represented by Paul Michael in the Championship Men's event.

In the semi-final, Paul played Wonthaggi's Brian Donoghue who at one stage in the game held an 8 shot lead.

In the afternoon the scene was set for an awesome grand final played between

Paul and Rob Cosson from Korumburra. The two bowlers produced some excellent bowling in the game to the stage where Paul led with a score of 23/20. Rob was not to be outdone and drew level at 23/23. The Leongatha lad showing grit and determination produced the winning bowl to win the game 25/24, Paul is now the champion of Strzelecki South and will hopefully advance further up the ladder by defeating the Strzelecki North representative in the play offs.

Round 9 of the Midweek Pennant competition was played on January 10. The result of the Division 1 game was a clean sweep to Leongatha defeating Philip Island on all three rinks with a final overall score of 88/39 shots.

The Midweek Pennant Division 3 game was won by Philip Island with an overall score of 43/31 shots.

Round 10 of the Saturday Pennant competition Division 1 contest resulted in a win to Wonthaggi with an overall score of 68/60 shots.

Round 10 of the Division 2 game was played at Leongatha and the visitors were Loch who are in the process of installing a new green. The high temperature reading effected some players and fortunately we got through the day without drama. The result of the game created some excitement towards the finish with the final score being 54/53 shots.

Round 10 of the Division 3 game was played at Leongatha and the visiting club was Lang Lang. The result

of the contest was in the balance right to the last bowl being bowled. Lang Lang denied Leongatha the win by 1 shot with an overall score of 53/54.

Barefoot bowls commenced today (Tuesday January 17) for six weeks. Monthly triples January 25.

WONTHAGGI

ANOTHER full week at the club with Mid Week Pennant starting on Tuesday. Both Divisions played at home with Div 1 playing host to Korumburra on a perfect day for bowls.

The final scores Wonthaggi 77 Korumburra 36.

Div 2, also at home, played host to Toora who were looking for a win to keep in touch with the top four.

The final scores Wonthaggi 69 Toora 53 to remain second spot on the ladder.

Wednesday saw a good total of 24 bowlers take to the greens which is a good number, with triples being played at Phillip Island. Teams of triples were played with the winners being Bill Davidson, Peter McBain and Alex Sutherland with a score of 1 win, a draw and 31 points.

Saturday Pennant was a hot day with Div 1 playing host to Leongatha at home in a match that they had to win.

At the end of the day Wonthaggi were able to finish the day with a tight victory to be third place on the ladder. The final score Wonthaggi 68 Leongatha 60. Div 2 travelled to Fish Creek to do battle.

The final score Wonthaggi 41 Fish Creek 63 to keep

Wonthaggi in 3rd spot on the ladder. Div 3 travelled to Meeniyan looking for a win and to keep 1st place on the ladder.

The final scores Wonthaggi 56 Meeniyan 57. Div 4 played host to Tarwin Lower at home in a match that was always going to be tough with Tarwin being on top of the ladder. The final scores Wonthaggi 47 Tarwin 54. This result drops Wonthaggi to 6th spot on the ladder but not out of it.

Jan Jeeves from Wonthaggi Bowls Club recently won the Strzelecki South, Champion of Champions Ladies Singles title.

Jan defeated Inverloch Champion, Lorraine Dowson in a thrilling final, 25 shots to 24. Jan will progress to the next stage, representing the South Gippsland/Bass Coast area.

No Thursday social bowls as we have Jacko's Funeral at 11.00am, Friday coaching at 10.00 am and Saturday Pennant.

WONTHAGGI INDOOR

THE winners on Tuesday with a plus 24 winning both their games were Jean Wylde, John Rook and John Stewart.

Runners up on plus 9 also winning both games were Pat Novak, Thelma Kavanagh and Helen Rook. Friday's winners with a plus 28 were Jeannie Slocombe, Brian Newman and Judy Sweetnam.

Runners up on plus 10 were Barbara Culph, Jos Kemper and Philip Fowler.

Each team won both their games.

FOSTER

Ladies

SIXTEEN ladies teed off for the first medal day of 2023 and more importantly the first round of the championships.

Barb Warren took out the medal with a convincing 81 (15) 66.

B Grade Karen Saunders 102 (34) 68.

The 9-hole comp was won by Alayne McKenzie with 22 points.

Foster Ladies second championship round January 13.

Trophy donor Val Williams, thank you Val for your continued support.

Congratulations to Gayle Reid A Grade 93 (26) 67, and B Grade Michelle Sait-Bennett 100 (35) 65.

KORUMBURRA

WINNERS Last Week: Men's competition.

Tuesday, January 10. Stableford (32 Players)

A Grade: Barry Kerr (13) 36 Points

B Grade: Don Hislop (26) 43 C/B

NTPs: 1st Peter Hislop, 10th Geoffrey Hewson and 13th David Gow

Thursday, January 12 Stableford (21 Players)

Winner: Tim Fowles (15) 42 Points

Saturday, January 14

South African Modified Pairs: (48 Players)

Overall winners: Donald Van Rooye and Don Olden 69 Points

Ladies

LAST Wednesday, Julie Brannaghan (25) finished with a wonderful 66 net to win A Grade and was also the January Monthly Medallist. Runner-up and an excellent Scratch Score went to Johanna van den Heiligenberg with 79 (11) 68. The club congratulates Johanna, who equalled the new Red Course record of 79, set by Merrissa Cosson in Feb 2022. Lyn Perks (31) won B Grade with 74 net, after a c/b with Viv Enbom (32). Place getters were Judy Webb (24) and Beryl Brown (27), both 72 net and Chris Rickard (27), 74 net.

Deb and Billie Wrigley won Twilight with 26 pts. Well done to Jennie Loughnan (46) who won the Saturday comp with a fabulous 44 pts.

Beginners Day will be held on Wednesday, February 25. Please contact our Women's Captain, Merrissa Cosson, 0438552629 for more details if you or anyone you know may be interested.

LEONGATHA

TUESDAY Stableford January 10.

On Tuesday 83 members/guests played in a Stableford Round.

A-Grade Winner: Malcolm Ginn with a score of 39 points

B-Grade Winner: Peter Hart with 42 points

C-Grade Winner: Paul Luck with 39 points on a countback

D-Grade Winner: Fletch McLennan with 45 points

Thursday Stableford January 12.

On Thursday we had another excellent turnout with 107 members/guests play in the Stableford event.

A-Grade Winner: Oliver Stone with a score of 42 points

B-Grade Winner: John Moor with 42 points

C-Grade Winner: Frank Gill with 39 points

D-Grade Winner: Henry Sedelies with 42 points

Saturday Stableford January 14.

On Saturday 96 members/guests braved the scorching 35-degree day to play in the Stableford round with high scoring still the order of the day.

A-Grade Winner: Terry Lund with a score of 40 points

B-Grade Winner: Trevor Rickard with 44 points

C-Grade Winner: Lou Fuataga with 38 points on a countback

D-Grade Winner: Trevor Bowler with 38 points

MIRBOO NORTH

SUNDAY, January 15, M.N. Plate.

Plate winner: Churchill 2

Scratch winner: R Kincaid (3) 74

GOLF | SPORT

A Grade: D Amos (12) 39

B Grade: I Duncan (14) 41

C Grade: G Forrester (21) 40

WONTHAGGI

THURSDAY, January 12

Stableford 18 Hole, SR 71

Winner: Fletch McLennan 38

Ball Sweep: Jonathon Clayton 37

Stableford Front 9-hole, SR 34.5

Winner: Bob Cornelis 22

SATURDAY, January 14, Stableford

A Grade: Ian Baker 41

NTP: Chris Radford 2nd, Philip Studham 4th, Bill Howard propin 8th, Keith Ridout 13th

Ladies

OUR summer golf continues and our members are enjoying the warm weather and the course being in wonderful conditions.

We had 21 players, and the grade winners were Liz Piasente (22) 35 points, enjoying a visit back to Australia from her overseas job.

B Grade and the round of the day was Robyn Wilkinson (27) 38 points, while Lyn Craven (39) 34 points was our C Grade winner.

BDL Jan Beaumont 34, Leesa Willmot 34, Donna Van Veenendaal 33, Marion Walker 33, Marg Johnson 32, Yvonne Everitt 31, Betty Bowmar 31.

Allambee Mirboo & District Tennis Association

RESULTS round 10: A very hot Saturday for the first game back after the Christmas and New Year break.

Inverloch won well. Liza Burrowes and Judy Langstaff would be pleased winning the only set for Leongatha North. Westernport the winners over Koonwarra.

The ladies' sets were very close with 2 tiebreakers and an 8-6.

Baromi were the winners at Korumburra. Baromi ladies won the three ladies sets setting up the win. A tiebreaker to Korumburra in the men's sets. Leongatha Gold had the win at Outtrim. A tiebreaker each way. Leongatha Gold ladies won the 3 ladies sets. Well done to Toby Nicholas winning a set and losing a tiebreaker to help the Outtrim team.

Please be aware that results must be to the score secretary by 8pm Saturday night.

Section 1 results: Westernport 6.68 defeated Koonwarra 3.49, Inverloch 8.66 defeated Leongatha North 1.39, Korumburra BYE

Ladder: Inverloch 80, Westernport 65, Leongatha North 44.5, Koonwarra 44, Korumburra 42.5

Section 2 results: Leongatha Gold 5.57 defeated Outtrim 4.46, Baromi 6.60 defeated Korumburra 3.42, Leongatha Green BYE

Ladder: Outtrim 63.5, Baromi 61, Leongatha Gold 61, Korumburra 52, Leongatha Green 36.5



Gerad Bashaw moves the ball out of defence for GSL U18s.

LKFC host Sale United in pre-season friendlies

ON SUNDAY, January 15, Leongatha Knights Football Club hosted Sale United in a series of friendlies.

First up, the local Gippsland Soccer League Under 18s representative squad took on Sale's U18s. Whilst Gippsland had some wonderful play, they did struggle to find their momentum.

Stand out performances were from Xavier Godena, Jack Middleton and Hugo Norton.

The Gippsland rep team would like to thank Rebel Sports Fountain Gate for donating their team socks.

The second fixture of the day was the match up between the Senior Men's from LKFC and Sale. LKFC dominated the first half with excellent press and some beautiful passing combinations.

Sale returned to the pitch in the second half with renewed vigour and turned the tables on the Knights. It was a fantastic game to watch.

The final fixture of the day was between the Reserves sides.

Played in excellent spirit this was a debut game for Joel Findlay, Tom Evans and Liam Hall.

Leongatha Knights FC would like to thank Sale for making the trip and look forward to hosting them in preseason friendlies next year.

Loss of champion shooter and club icon

IT WAS on December 10 that Graham Doig's .303 was shot for the last time at the Glen Forbes Rifle Range.

Surrounded by family, friends and fellow shooters, the day was a tribute to a man who meant so much to the club and those he loved.

Graham was born May 24, 1935, and passed away in Latrobe Regional Hospital on November 4, 2022.

He joined the Fitzroy Rifle Club at Williamstown Rifle Range in 1952 and oversaw the amalgamation of Fitzroy and Brunswick rifle clubs to form Fitzroy/Brunswick Rifle Club in 1962. He became the Treasurer and held that position for almost 60 years.

After the closure of Williamstown rifle range, Graham was instrumental in our move in 1990 to the Glen Forbes range and subsequent redevelopment, and he always found something that needed to be done around the place — he was never idle.

He was a distinguished rifle shooter with a .303.

He represented Victoria several times, won numerous prize meetings and won several Queens badges, all in the top 10.

His last shoot was in a club championship at Grantville on October 22 – 600yards. He topped scored with 60.4, 59.3 and mumbled “not seeing them straight”.

He was a stalwart of our sport and is a huge loss to us.

Vale Graham

South Gippsland Bass swimmers sprint to success

STANDING on the same starting blocks where their idols stood just over a month ago, 49 South Gippsland Bass (SGB) swimmers competed in the 2023 Victorian Sprints Championship.

All events are 50m and in age groups, with SGB having swimmers competing in all categories, swimming against the best from all of Victoria.

Only swimmers who had qualifying times were able to compete, so competition was fierce, so to have 11 swimmers make the finals is very a superb effort for the club.

In a competition where the difference between 10th and 30th can be half of a second, the SGB swimmers can hold their heads up high with their results.

Several swimmers made finals and many of the swimmers achieved personal best's (PB's), an amazing effort given how frequently they have raced lately.

Coaches Dylan and Caiden were really impressed with the effort of the swimmers.

Proud families watched on from the stands as swimmer after swimmer emerged from their race pleased to have qualified, to have done their best and most with PB's.

The SGB team: Rebecca Barclay, Lillian Bassed, Freya Berry, Billy Boyd, Maddy Boyd, Max Brocklesby, Rex Brocklesby, Claudia Croatto, Emily Croatto, Isabel Croatto, Tomei Dal Pozzo, Ebony Donohue, Billy Fisher, Maggie Fisher, Cormac Flynn, Lachie Grimes, Kuga Heenan, Olivia Holmes, Joshua Hunt, Sienna Hunt, Holly Hurst, Kiannah Kranen, Mostyn Lumsden, Isabella Lynch, Rahni Matheson, Sienna Matheson, Taylah



Claudia Croatto and her coach Caiden after she got her award.

Matheson, Sophie McKenzie, Harper McRae Hugh Munro, Skye Munro, Trinity O'Keefe, Lachlan Paterson, Cooper Quaife, Gypsy Quaife, Eden Roberts, Miah Roberts, Jade Ruffin, Jasmine Ruffin, Jemma Rump, William Simmons, Aidan Smyth, Archie Smyth, Archie Smyth, Lara Smyth, Jarrah Tagell, Jedda Tagell and Mason Wiggins.

Heats were held on Saturday, with the following swimmers returning Sunday to compete in finals.

Rex Brocklesby, 11&U 50m Fly, 50m Back, 50m Free, Tomei Dal Pozzo, 19&O 50m Back, 50m Breast, Claudia Croatto, 13years 50m Breast, Olivia Holmes, 13yrs 50m Fly, 50m Free, 50m Back. Mostyn Lumsden, 15yrs 50m Fly, Rahni Matheson, 14yrs 50m Breast, Sienna Matheson, 16yrs 50m Breast, Sophie McKenzie, 18yrs 50m Butterfly, 50m Breast, 50m Free, Miah Roberts, 13yrs 50m Back, Archie Smyth, 11&U 50m Fly, Will Simmons 13yrs 50m Freestyle

There's no rest for swim families, with over 70 of the swimmers heading to Wangaratta for the weekend to compete in the Countries Long Course event where SGB hopes to finish in the top four again for regional based teams.

From Dumbalk dairy to LA

By Aiden Box

HE grew up on a dairy farm in Dumbalk North, playing Aussie Rules as most young boys do.

But last week Brett Thorson became a College Football National Champion under the bright lights of SoFi Stadium, thousands of kilometres away in Los Angeles.

A crowd of 72,000 were in attendance to watch Thorson and Georgia University complete a rout of the challenging Texas Christian University (TCU) who also had an Aussie punter, Traralgon's Jordy Sandy.

Thorson was a talented Aussie Rules footballer but decided to change up his game of choice and attended Prokick Australia, a now hugely successful program that helps people transfer their skills from Australian to American football.

Since its inception in 2007, over 200 people have graduated the Prokick program and secured college scholarships in the USA, Thorson was one of those, committing to Georgia prior to the beginning of this past season.

Thorson joined the Bulldogs after they'd won the 2021 National Championship and his right boot helped them go on a miraculous 15-0 run, completing the perfect season with a second straight National Championship.

After narrowly escaping Ohio State University in the Semi Final, thanks to a Buckeyes missed field goal, the Championship game was nowhere near as close.

Despite having a brilliant season when required, punting 33 times for an average of 44.9 yards (41 metres) including a viral 75 yard game-defining punt against rival Tennessee, the first-year punter was only required once in Tuesday's win.

Georgia quarterback Stetson Bennett had the team's offence absolutely humming, leaving Thorson on the sidelines as a spectator until the third quarter when the trailing Horned Frogs defence finally stopped the Bulldogs in their tracks.

The 21-year old's one and only punt in the decider travelled 48 yards (43.8 metres), forcing TCU to start their next possession on their own 20-yard line (in their defensive half).

The 'Dogs defence capitalised on the great punt and forced another scoreless possession for TCU, the reigning champs defence a catalyst in their lopsided victory.

Georgia, and Thorson, ran out winners by a whopping 58 points, the 65-7 score line the greatest margin in any Bowl Game (Grand Final per se) ever, becoming only the fourth team to win back-to-back National Championships and the first to do it in the new College Football Playoff structure.

And one of Dumbalk North's own was a part of it, Congratulations Brett!



Dumbalk North's Brett Thorson poses with the Aussie flag draped over his shoulders after he and Georgia University won the College Football National Championship last week.

Success on the double for Manning and Dean

THE highlight of the day on the track at the Woolamai picnic races on Saturday was the double by popular Sale trainer Reg Manning, both his winners booted home in fine style by Dylan Dean who was delighted to take home a double on the six-race card.

Melinda McDonald picked up where she left off on New Year's Eve at Woolamai and took out the first race on the Glen Thornell trained Rivers Reward by almost two lengths from the unlucky Gertanie, ridden by Shaun Cooper.

Gertanie is nothing if not consistent, placing in all three starts this season at Woolamai including a third on December 10, a second on December 31 and second again on Saturday, January 14.

Sharing it around though, Caitlin King bobbed up with a clear winner in Race 2, home by almost 2.5 lengths on Doctor Coto for Rob Gillahan, with Kuroyume second and Steady Jam third.

Race 3 produced the first of trainer Reg Manning



The Reg Manning trained Anything But arrives quickly to win Race 3 on the card at Woolamai on Saturday.

and jockey Dylan Dean's winners on the day when Anything But and The Bounty cleared out from the rest, going to the line with 1.5 lengths between them.

Strong supporter of Woolamai, Grant Secombe, had to work really hard for his win in Race 4 when he just got the better of last-start winner at Woolamai, Mulaa Man, prepared by Bairnsdale trainer Jackson Pallot. Trenches got there by the barest of margins for Sale trainer Troy Kilgower.

You could have thrown a blanket over the first four

as the crossed the line in Race 5 but it was Cheeky Prince, ridden by Dylan Dean for trainer Reg Manning who got the verdict in the most competitive race of the day.

Probably the omen bet of the day when you think about it, Cheeky Prince was a great result for the bookies though, winning at 12-1, a nose in front of the favourite Strikeout, for trainer Troy Kilgower and Grant Secombe.

The other two in the frame were Acey Deucy (Caitlin King) and Rebel Tantrum (Jack Virgona).

And in the last event,

Race 6, jockey Shaun Cooper, finally broke through after a second and two thirds in the earlier five races, winning the 'get out stakes' on Silent Charge for trainer Jack Laing, narrowly from Little Ms Dreamer. And it was a breakthrough for Silent Charge as well after two seconds at the previous two Woolamai meetings.

It was a fantastic day of racing at Woolamai and the warm day didn't deter a big crowd from turning out to enjoy the ambience under the picnic course's majestic elm trees.



Clare Johnston displays the components of a bat prior to attaching the handle and shaping the bat. A08_0323

Clare’s batting a new future for women in cricket

BERRYS Creek cricket bat maker Clare Johnston has been attracting widespread media attention recently as possibly the only female exponent of the craft.

She will be delighted if that publicity encourages other cricket bat manufacturers to produce bats tailored to the needs of women and girls.

Her business ‘de Lacy Cricket’ makes bespoke bats using Victorian-grown English willow and tailored to the individual regardless of gender.

Female players tend to be far more limited than males in the selection of suitable off-the-shelf bats available in shops.

“I’m finding lots of women are coming to me saying they can’t get a commercial bat that fits them, so I’m working with them to try and understand what that is,” Clare said.

She said sometimes being of slighter build, girls and women tend to want lighter bats.

“There are women who want heavier bats, but they might not be able to get the right length for their body shape,” Clare said.

The weight distribution of the bat desired by women may also vary, affecting the feeling of how it picks up, with factors such as

wrist strength coming into play.

Clare has an open mind when it comes to producing suitable bats for female players.

“I’d like to do more research on it and work with someone like a physio or somebody who does sports movement as a profession to discover more about what it is that’s different,” Clare said.

She loves the feeling of playing with a bat she crafted herself but is even more excited to see her bats in the hands of other players.

“For me it’s a greater joy seeing other people enjoying using it,” Clare said, saying it is terrific when someone picks up the bat and says it feels great.

Her high quality bats maintain the tradition of needing to be oiled.

The business sponsors the Mirboo North women’s team, which Clare represents as a wicketkeeper.

Despite the bespoke nature of de Lacy bats, Clare usually has just a two week turnaround from receiving an order to having a bat ready.

However, the recent media attention has increased that timeframe a little by boosting demand.

She explained what attracted her to cricket bat making, prompting

her to learn the craft from former Australian cricketer Ian Callen.

“The reason I was drawn to it was to provide bats to the local community,” Clare said.

Speaking to a member of the BBC team she was informed she may be the world’s only female cricket bat maker.

Clare outlined the importance of providing suitable equipment for female players, whether they are made by her or others.

“We’ve got fantastic women players out there and Australia has an amazing female cricket team, and you can’t go into a sports store and feel like we’ve got equity of equipment,” Clare said.

She noted there is a safety element to being confident in your bat as well as a performance factor, saying it’s not enjoyable for girls to play with a bat that isn’t suited to them.

Clare acknowledged there are male bat makers tailoring bats to individual players, including females.

“There has been a shift which is good, but I think we have got a way to go yet,” she said.

The level of interest in her story from the cricket community has been a pleasant surprise for Clare.

Young Sharks and Stingrays ‘Starring’

From page 52

“Our junior coaches, I think deserve a lot of credit, aside from the players the coaches deserve all the credit for the work that they put into our kids,” she said.

“Not only do they coach them but they genuinely love being around the groups, and they have a genuine pride in wanting to develop all our kids and that’s in all our programs from Woolies to under 17s.”

The Stingrays and Sharks have almost forged a bond through sustained success, as both clubs have played off in the finals for the last few years.

Sharks’ junior co-ordinator Tarryn Allen also spoke about the state of junior cricket on the Island and their success.

“We’ve got two under 12 sides, we’ve got an under 15s and an under 17s and we’ve got really strong numbers in each one, the Milo Blast has been getting between 30-50 each week so that was nice and strong too,” he said.

“It’s very positive down on the Island to be honest, we’re trying to get some money from the Council to upgrade our nets and cricket pitch because the amount of traffic and numbers it gets is growing each year, it’s very positive though.”

Allan explained that the high participation rates in the Shark’s junior ranks has sparked a feel good vibe around the club.

Although his club is deeply successful, Allan reiterated the importance of the ensuring the togetherness and of club is number one.

“We only had two of the under 15s go up to the under 17s and the rest have stayed, I think the last three years in the 15s it’s been Inverloch versus Phillip Island in the Grand Final and if you played finals tomorrow it’d be the same again,” he said.

Getting kids back involved in sport post COVID has been a big challenge, so seeing such great amounts of them playing cricket locally, enjoying it and succeeding warms the heart of the entire community.

Allan praised the work of his junior coaches and how they’ve elicited success from the young Islanders.

“The majority of that under 17s team and half the under 15s team are all playing seniors as well which is really good to see,” he said.

“I think for the 17s, they’ve got coach Connor Epifano and he’s been fantastic with those kids, he’s a fantastic cricketer himself, so he’s able to really teach them and hone their skills to be very competitive each week.”

Allan also explained the value of finals cricket and the kids playing in big games.

“It’s unbelievable, it just helps with their confidence, the majority of the three LDCA junior Gippsland Cricket League teams are made up of Phillip Island kids which is fantastic,” he said.

“Everyone’s got really good relationships across the league, it’s really good, all the kids get nervous in those games but it’s only going to help their confidence going forward I think.

“If they stick at it at Phillip Island, they’re more than likely to play finals for the next six or seven years.”

Allan then finished by highlighting some players to watch in the second half of the season and also gave his thanks.

“The standouts for me in the under 12s look for a little kid called Jaxen Marshall, great little player, fast bowler and can bat, the main kid to watch in under 15s is Jobe Williams, unbelievably quick for his age I think he’s just turned 13, can bat very well too,” he said.

“Then in the 17s, you’ve got the likes of George McCausland and Heath Womersley, they’re stars in that team, and both played A grade on the weekend so what more could you ask for with two 14/15-year olds.

“We’ve got Dan McCausland who’s the president, doing a fantastic job and his right hand man Andy O’Brien, they’re doing a great job as you can see with the state of our juniors and seniors.”

Return for Kilcunda half marathon

IT’S BACK for its 10th year on Sunday, February 5, 2023 – The George Bass Coastal half marathon and fun runs offer something for all the family.

The run offers five options: a 1 km beach run and sandcastle building competition for the kids (bring your own bucket and spade).

Plus two short course distances of 5 and 10km and the 17km and 21km trail runs along the George Bass Coastal Trail.

This is a run for the beginner trail runner, the road runner that is jaded, and wants to get out there for great scenery and great running and just wants to be re-invigorated by the great outdoors, as well as the experienced trail runner just wanting an excellent run.

Enjoy running along the George Bass Coastal Trail with rolling grassy slopes

and sandy beaches and striding up challenging hills, located between the cliffs overlooking the Southern Ocean and rolling green fields with cattle grazing contentedly.

In the words of Joanna who ran the half marathon in 2018: “I just wanted to thank you for the great run in Kilcunda a few weeks ago. It was mine and my husband’s first trail run and we loved it (tough but beautiful—we actually bought some of the photos because the views were amazing). I thought it was organised really well and we loved the snacks at the end of the run.”

Enter before February 1 and receive a 10 per cent discount.

Use the promotional code KIL23SEN at www.runningwild.net.au/coastal-runs/kilcunda-george-bass-coastal-trail-run.html

Kilcunda Half Marathon

and
1-5-10 & 17 km Fun Runs

Sunday 05 February 2023
Foreshore Car Park, Kilcunda

1 km fun run and sand castle competition for the kids

Enter at runningwild.net.au by 1 Feb to get 10% discount. Promo code KIL23SEN



Korumburra's Darren Scott plays a brilliant shot down the ground in his innings of 67 on Saturday. B06_0323

Cobras hold off Cougars

C GRADE

DIVISION 1

Korumburra 3/193 d Koon L/RSL 169
Korumburra - 1st INNINGS:
GA Barrett 6, J Wrigley 57*, D Scott 67, M Olden 39, C Carew 4*
Bowling: S Chadwick 1/32, B Cary 1/39, S Paterson 0/14, T Collins 0/25, K Thorne 0/37, AJ Thorne 0/16, S Thorne 1/19
Koonwarra L/RSL - 1st INNINGS:
K Scrimshaw 5, A Stanley 6, AJ Thorne 49, H Scrimshaw 11, T Collins 6, K Thorne 10, B Cary 61, S Thorne 7, S Paterson 4, R Collins 0, S Chadwick 0*
Bowling: D Whelan 0/19, S McKinnon 4/34, M Olden 1/26, GA Barrett 2/29, J Hall 1/26, D Scott 2/29

Inverloch d MDU
Inverloch won on forfeit.

Nyora d Club
Nyora won on forfeit.

Phillip Island - BYE

C GRADE

DIVISION 2

OMK 7/117 d Kilcunda-Bass 116
OMK - 1st INNINGS: A Shinkfield 49, D O'Neill 0, B Maguire 10, H Sorensen 7, N Furness 5, B Maguire 0, R Wyatt 8*, R Fort 18, A Sorensen 10*
Bowling: H Bettles 2/14, D Bettles 0/23, C Bettles 2/41, P DeRubeis 1/9, A Joseph 2/10, DB Bettles 0/4, L May 0/10
Kilcunda-Bass - 1st INNINGS:
P DeRubeis 32, A Joseph 15, DB Bettles 15, H Bettles 0, L May 0, M Whitby 24, C Bettles 10, D Bettles 0, R DeRubeis 1*
Bowling: H Sorensen 1/25, B Maguire 0/11, R Fort 0/16, D O'Neill 4/24, R Wyatt 0/19, A Sorensen 0/0, B Maguire 2/15

Glen Alvie d Koonwarra L/RSL
Glen Alvie won on forfeit.

Town - BYE

• C Grade, Division 1

KORUMBURRA hosted Koonwarra L/RSL at Korumburra Recreation Reserve. The hosts won the toss and batted first. Losing just the three wickets for the innings, the hosts top order fired as Jacob Wrigley (57* from 87) and Darren Scott (67 from 67) each made half centuries, helping the Cobras finish 3/193 after their 35 overs. Spencer Chadwick (1/32 from 7) tried hard with the ball for Koony. In a mixed bag of an innings in reply, only three batters reached double figures, as Adam Thorne (49 from 58) fell one run short of a half century and Brodie Cary (61 from 34) passed that mark. Shaun McKinnon (4/34 from 6) showed out with the ball as the Cobras took all ten wickets to see the Cougars fall 24-runs shy of the total. Koony will now host Nyora this weekend, while Korumburra will have the bye.

• C Grade, Division 2

Undermanned Kilcunda Bass falls just short against OMK

BATTING first, visitor OMK set host Kilcunda Bass the task of making 118 for victory, something the Sharks almost achieved despite being a couple of batsmen short. OMK opener Andrew Shinkfield proved crucial with his game-high knock of 49 giving his bowlers something to defend. Ryan Fort was the next highest scorer for the winning side, making 18 runs, with most of the Kilcunda Bass bowlers performing strongly. While Hunter and Cruz Bettles picked up a couple of wickets each, as did Ashley Joseph, Pat DeRubeis was particularly stingy conceding just nine runs off his seven overs and taking a wicket. DeRubeis then top scored for the Sharks with an innings of 32, but three teammates had already succumbed prior to his dismissal. He fell with the score on 68. A run-a-ball 24 from Mathew Whitby nearly set up a Kilcunda Bass win, but OMK stuck at its task impressively to prevent that outcome. David O'Neill grabbed 4/24 off his five overs including the wicket of the dangerous DeRubeis. Ben Maguire (2/15) was the other multiple wicket taker for triumphant OMK. Although ultimately successful, the Diggers were a little generous in the extras department sending down 10 wides compared to just one from the Kilcunda Bass attack.

Light on for action in C2

GLEN Alvie def Koonwarra Leongatha RSL by forfeit. Leongatha Town was handed an extended Christmas break having a bye.



A group of budding young spinners pose with spin coach Charith Keerthisinghe at the Inverloch clinic recently.

Specialist coaching for spin bowlers

SPIN bowling in cricket has long-been regarded as a potent force in the game. This was reaffirmed in Australian cricket by the avalanche of wickets taken by Shane Warne and the steady flow of dismissals by current spinner, Nathan Lyon. In the Australian Women's Cricket team, leg-spinner Alana King has made a real impact. Under the direction of Charith Keerthisinghe, the outstanding Phillip Island spinner and Cricket Victoria's Junior Director of Coaching for the Gippsland region, specialist coaching sessions are being conducted to assist to identify and develop future spin bowlers. Before moving to Australia from his native Sri Lanka, Charith was a successful spinner who benefited from his inclusion in Specialist Spin Bowling Squads, and he understands the levels of support that are essential to guide bowlers in the right direction. The first spin clinic was conducted by Charith at Inverloch on December 20, 2022, where an aspiring group of talented players received specialised coaching and direction. Plans are in place to continue to refine these specialist spin bowling squads in coming months.

Leongatha & District juniors shine again

THE LDCA under 15 boys hosted Traralgon at Inverloch on Sunday in their JCW match. Keen to get back on the winners list after a loss to Sale Maffra the previous week, LDCA won the toss and elected to bat on a good-looking pitch that produced 470 runs the day before in a classic A grade match between Inverloch and Nerrena. Some changes to the LDCA batting line up saw Heath Womersley 49 (Phillip Island) and Riley Harris (Inverloch) open the innings. Riley chopped one on early which brought Rhys Newman 55 (Inverloch) to the crease, both boys played very well and their ability to play straight and drive the ball through the covers was a highlight in their 100-run partnership. With such a good foundation the boys were encouraged to bat with freedom and go after a big total, Clayton Quaife 18 (OMK) and Andot Mankhong 19 (Wonthaggi) batted with good intent and a total of 8/183 was posted. Our turn to bowl saw George McCausland (PI) and Isaac Bolge (Imperials) take the new ball. These two have formed a very good new ball combination with swing and accuracy a feature. Early wickets saw Traralgon on the back foot and the introduction of leg spinner Andot led to more wickets, with so many bowling options the LDCA were able to share the bowling around with everyone bowling well to dismiss Traralgon for 74.



Local Inverloch all-rounder Rhys Newman plays a shot off his legs on his way to a nice half century for LDCA in their match against Traralgon. B17_0323

Best bowling figures were Andot with 3/10 off nine with McCausland, Bolge, Riddell, McGrath, Casey, McLennan and Berryman each claiming a wicket. The boys take on Bairnsdale this Sunday at Korumburra in a game that is a must win for their chances of making the Grand Final. The LDCA under 13 boys took on Bairnsdale on Sunday in Round 4 of the GCL Development League at East Campus in Leongatha. This was a battle between two undefeated teams and both were full of confidence. Bairnsdale won the toss and elected to bat with star batter Campbell Moncreiff who came off a century in his previous under 13 GCL game opening the batting. As has been the case in recent games the LDCA opened the bowling with dynamic duo Jobe Williams (Phillip Island) and Louis Read (Koonwarra) and Williams dismissed Moncreiff with the first ball of the match. Then, again as has been the case in several other games, Williams and Read tore through the top order to have Bairnsdale 5/13, Ty Debono (Inverloch) also got in on the act coming on at first change with two wickets to have them 7/26 then eventually all out for 64. Jobe Williams and Louis Read both claimed 2/4 off 4 overs and Ty Debono took 2/5 off 4 overs, single wicket - takers were Max Johnston (Foster) Cole Munday (MDU) and Evan Belvedere (Korumburra), a great team performance all round. LDCA's turn to bat saw a clinical performance with Eamon Berryman (Nerrena) retire on 30 after he and Evan Belvedere 14 put together a 47-run opening stand against some very good bowling. LDCA passed the total with the loss of only two wickets and with contributions from Ty Debono who made 29, and from all the batters, the final score ended up 4/136. The under 13 boys this week travel to Trafalgar to take on the Latrobe Valley.

W&DNA

INDOOR LADIES & GIRLS NIGHT NETBALL 2023 SUMMER COMPETITION

Starting Early February NOT TOO LATE TO ENTER!

Players to be 14 years and older
Players must have VNA Registration

WELCOMING ALL TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS
Please contact:
Lee 0419 399 415



Brad Anderson made a remarkable 500th appearance for Koonwarra L/RSL on Saturday. B01_0323

Demons do it easily over Imps

• B Grade, Division 1

MDU hosted the Imperials at Meeniyau Recreation Reserve and the visitors won the toss and chose to bat first.

The majority of their 135 runs came from their middle order as the Demons attack, led by Colin Knox (3/25 from 8), took nine wickets.

Needing 136 for the win, the hosts had absolutely no issues in the chase as Knox (77* from 103) capped off an outstanding all-round game with an unbeaten half century.

The Demons won by 10 wickets and will look to hold their form in this week's match up with Korumburra, the Imps will have the bye.

Stingrays survive the Diggers heat

OMK welcomed Inverloch to the Outtrim Recreation Reserve and the hosts won the toss and chose to bat first.

The Diggers lost regular wickets throughout their innings and eventually battled to 8/150 with Xavier Lamers (28) top scoring, with young gun Rhys Newman (2/9 from 6) doing the damage for Inv.

In reply, the Stingrays captain, Brett Debono's (92 from 138) stellar season at the top of the order continued as he saw Inverloch into a winning position with another half century despite losing several partners along the way.

Shane Taylor (3/15 from 8) fought hard with the ball in the 3-wicket loss, he and OMK will host Nerrena this weekend.

Inverloch will host Koonwarra.

Cougars win in Ando's 500th

KOONWARRA L/RSL celebrated a true club legend on Saturday when they hosted Korumburra at the Koonwarra Recreation Reserve.

The Cougars lost the toss and

were sent into the field, but it was all about their stalwart wicketkeeper Brad Anderson who notched a truly remarkable milestone.

Saturday marked the 500th time the legendary keeper took to the field for Koonwarra and the club celebrated accordingly, with streamers flying, a strong crowd in to see Anderson walk through the guard of honour set by the two sides and the Frogbox set up for those to watch from home.

Koony started excellently with the ball too, putting the Cobras under early pressure, and they never recovered, losing wickets with great regularity to finish their 40 overs 9/90.

In reply, the Cougars promoted the milestone man to open the innings, but unfortunately Korumburra didn't get the memo, as he was dismissed for just three.

This didn't deter the home side though as they cruised to the small 'Burra total with eight wickets to spare, Anthony Hunt (35 from 46) top scored in the chase, while Bryce Riddell (1/14 from 4) bowled well.

Anderson will look towards his 501st appearance this weekend as the Cougars head down to Inverloch to face the Stingrays, the Cobras will face MDU.

Nerrena had the bye.

• B Grade, Division 2

The Island holds off Wonthaggi

WONTHAGGI gave their all striving to muster the required 200 for victory, but Phillip Island held firm at Newhaven to secure a 5-run victory, with the chasing side running out of overs.

Half centuries from keeper Brady Ross (59) and Tharidu Asurumui (56 not out) helped set a solid score for Phillip Is-

land after it elected to bat first.

Chris Fraser was the pick of the Wonthaggi bowlers with figures of 2/30 from his eight overs including the prized scalp of Phillip Island skipper and opener Connor Epifano who made just three.

While six of Wonthaggi's batting line-up made solid starts, only Justin Lici (52) reached a half century, but his heroics were cut short by an Andrew Tolley run out.

Sean Roche's knock of 36 was next best.

While Fraser and Jayden Burns managed an unbroken 30-run partnership for the ninth wicket, the Sharks' total proved just beyond reach.

Tarryn Allan was the only multiple wicket taker for victorious Phillip Island snaveling 2/32 off his full allotment of overs.

Leongatha Town gets job done in Nerrena

SKIPPER Mark Hardy led the way for Leongatha Town against home team Nerrena, with his 43 proving crucial on a day when runs were hard to come by.

Luke Ashton's unbeaten 28 was also critical to the Scorpions' success, and was a patient innings that took 63 balls to compile.

Levi Hickey helped out with a quickfire 11 not out off six balls that included a six and a four, with the Towners completing victory with two overs and as many wickets to spare.

Ashton deserves credit for what proved to be a manageable task for the Scorpions, having captured 4/33 off his seven overs to ensure Nerrena wasn't able to fully capitalise on its decision to bat first.

Josh Schelling was the other Town bowler to manage more than one wicket, taking a tidy 2/17 off five overs.

Ryan Giliam's economical

2/24 off eight overs and Mitch Croatto's 3/36 from seven overs for Nerrena ensured the chase was a challenging one for Town.

Kilcunda-Bass in charge from early on against Glen Alvie

GLEN ALVIE captain Jay Tiziani elected to wield the willow first in Dalyston, with his 35 proving to be the side's highest score.

Extras were the next biggest contributor, accounting for 17 runs, with Joe Burke just behind on 15.

Although Glen Alvie saw out its 40 overs it was tough going and its total of 108 equated to just 2.7 runs per over.

Shaun Tapscott (3/12) and Rohan Duff (3/17) were the chief destroyers with the ball for Kilcunda-Bass, with both sending down their full allotment of overs.

Stephen Leman also delivered eight overs, capturing 2/26.

There were no weak links for the Sharks with the just the minimum five bowlers rolling their arms over.

Kilcunda-Bass openers Peter Miller and Alister McBride set a foundation that all but ensured success for their side, with the former dismissed for 33 and McBride going on to an unbeaten 40.

Glen Alvie didn't give up, removing Leman and Scott Williams cheaply, but there weren't enough runs to defend and Kilcunda-Bass recorded a comfortable seven wicket win with three overs to spare.

Despite the loss, it was a tidy display from the Glen Alvie bowlers with Zack Scholz and Lachlan McRae each taking 1/26 off their full complement of overs and Burke the other wicket taker with 1/23 from seven overs.

OMK had the bye.

B GRADE DIVISION 1

MDU 0/136 d Imperials 9/135
Imperials - 1st INNINGS: MD Lafferty 4, C Reid 7, N Eddy 31, JM Wilson 19, KB Gray 15, J Ballagh 24, C Richards 8, J Nagel 2, L Buckland 9*, M Reidy 7, J Jeffery 1*
Bowling: J Palmer 2/38, T Gordon 1/9, C Knox 3/25, Z Bright 0/17, C Hooper 0/23, S Riley 3/16
MDU - 1st INNINGS: C Knox 77*, G Webster 47*
Bowling: L Buckland 0/12, J Jeffery 0/20, N Eddy 0/17, MD Lafferty 0/31, KB Gray 0/19, C Richards 0/20, J Ballagh 0/11

Inverloch 7/160 d OMK 8/150
OMK - 1st INNINGS: S Matthews 27, A Busana 18, T Eustace 5, M Sawyers 2, Z Lamers 28, D Creed 22, N Creed 18, SM Taylor 0, D Jeffries 13*, B Furness 5*
Bowling: J Richardson 2/39, J Dugard 2/23, J Williams 0/20, R Newman 2/9, A Mujtaba 1/24, D Cashin 0/20, N Dobbie 1/12.
Inverloch - 1st INNINGS: B Debono 92, B Phillips 2, J Williams 1, R Harris 1, R Newman 0, A Mujtaba 9, J Richardson 24, D Cashin 9*, J Dugard 10*
Bowling: T Eustace 1/37, SM Taylor 3/15, D Jeffries 0/27, N Creed 1/27, M Sawyers 0/8, D Creed 0/21, A Busana 1/23

Koon L/RSL 2/91 Korumburra9/90
Korumburra - 1st INNINGS: D Salmon 12, T Allen 4, J Beckwith 3, S Dole 9, N Christensen 12, P Richards 2, J Jordan 8, S Foster 10, SR Head 10, B Riddell 5*
Bowling: J Thomas 1/14, PA Buckley 1/12, N Arnup 1/12, M Cooke 2/8, A Drury 1/12, M Boswell 0/11, M Thomas 2/13
Koonwarra L/RSL - 1st INNINGS: B Anderson 3, A Hunt 35, M Thomas 23*, N Grimes 19*
Bowling: A Halliwell 0/13, B Riddell 1/14, S Dole 0/20, SR Head 0/13, J Jordan 1/20, N Christensen 0/11

Nerrena- BYE

B GRADE DIVISION 2

Phillip Island 6/199 d Club 8/194
Phillip Island - 1st INNINGS: C Epifano 3, BJ Ross 59, H Peppard 13, T Hornsby 33, T Asurumui 56*, D McCausland 2, A Tolley 5, T Allan 13*
Bowling: S Roche 0/31, C Fraser 2/30, N Cant 0/35, M Sharp 0/25, J Burns 0/28, J Lici 2/32, J O'Reilly 1/17
Club - 1ST INNINGS: D Britt 16, W Speed 13, J Lici 52, J O'Reilly 20, J Shannon 2, L Sibley 1, S Roche 36, N Cant 0, C Fraser 20*, J Burns 19*
Bowling: H Arceo 1/45, D McCausland 1/17, T Allan 2/32, C Epifano 1/24, A Tolley 1/55, MA Cleary 0/15

Town 8/147 d Nerrena 9/143
Nerrena - 1ST INNINGS: B Gannon 4, L Roberts 33, J Kelly 4, R Elava 0, G Murphy 25, C Baudinette 0, RL Giliam 18, MJ Croatto 12, MB Croatto 7, WB Croatto 10*, C Dougherty 8*
Bowling: C Bruce 1/17, L Hickey 1/22, L Ashton 4/33, N Fixter 0/12, J Schelling 2/17, O Vimalarathna 1/19, L May 0/15
Town - 1ST INNINGS: M Davies 9, M Hardy 43, C Bruce 6, L Bowman 5, L Ashton 28, J Schelling 15, N Fixter 0, O Vimalarathna 4, D Goss 9, L Hickey 11*
Bowling: WB Croatto 0/17, C Dougherty 1/23, MB Croatto 3/36, P Johnston 0/15, RL Giliam 2/24, R Elava 1/28

Kilcunda-Bass 3/111 d Glen Alvie 8/108
Glen Alvie - 1ST INNINGS: V Gopal 5, K McLean 10, MD Donohue 0, A Brown 12, JA Tiziani 35*, J Burke 15, Z Scholz 0, J Hales 8, D McGuirk 2, C Gooch 4*
Bowling: R Duff 3/17, SJ Leman 2/26, S Tapscott 3/12, C Elliott 0/26, S Williams 0/17
Kilcunda Bass - 1ST INNINGS: P Miller 33, A McBride 40*, SJ Leman 4, S Williams 14, M Grant 9*
Bowling: Z Scholz 1/26, L McRae 1/26, A Brown 0/15, J Hales 0/10, J Burke 1/23, K McLean 0/8

OMK - BYE



Hartley Wells
Betta
HOME LIVING
Leongatha
www.hartleywells.com
Phone: 5662 2930

A1: Andrew Donohue (Inverloch) 100 ; Thomas Wyatt (OMK) 4/15

A2: Tharindu Nuwan (MDU) 109 ; Harshika Fernando (Korumburra) 3/8

B1: Brett Debono (Inverloch) 92 ; Shane Taylor (OMK) 3/15

B2: Brady Ross (Phillip Island) 59 ; Luke Ashton (Town) 4/33

C1: Darren Scott (Korumburra) 67 ; Shaun McKinnon (Korumburra) 4/34

C2: Andrew Shinkfield (OMK) 49 ; David O'Neill (OMK) 4/24



8-10 Koonwarra Rd, Leongatha. 5662 5030
Cnr Carneys Road & Bass Highway,
Wonthaggi. 5672 2148

LADDERS

Team	Points	%	Team	Points	%
A GRADE, Division 1			B GRADE, Division 2		
Nerrena	84	1.4053	Nerrena	60	1.3514
OMK	84	1.2256	OMK	60	1.3323
Phillip Island	72	1.1293	Town	60	1.1969
Inverloch	66	1.1344	Club	42	0.9055
Town	60	1.0391	Phillip Island	36	0.8789
Club	48	0.8495	Kilcunda-Bass	24	0.9103
Imperials	36	0.7789	Glen Alvie	0	0.4452
Koonwarra L/RSL	30	0.6190			

A GRADE, Division 2			C GRADE, Division 1		
Korumburra	102	2.7468	Inverloch	60	6.5178
Phillip Island	84	1.3690	Korumburra	48	1.4350
MDU	60	1.0111	Phillip Island	36	1.0012
Club	60	0.6784	Koonwarra L/RSL	36	0.7091
Nyora	48	1.0057	Nyora	36	0.5160
Kilcunda-Bass	48	0.8713	Club	24	1.6416
Foster	48	0.8197	MDU	12	0.4941
Glen Alvie	30	0.5442			

B GRADE, Division 1			C GRADE, Division 2		
Nerrena	60	2.2230	OMK	84	1.8024
Koonwarra L/RSL	60	2.1539	Town	66	1.5298
Inverloch	48	1.5478	Kilcunda-Bass	48	1.1477
MDU	48	0.9179	Glen Alvie	30	0.5866
OMK	36	1.1434	Koonwarra L/RSL	24	0.3935
Imperials	12	0.4193			
Korumburra	0	0.2634			

NEXT WEEKEND'S GAMES
& UMPIRE APPOINTMENTS

SATURDAY
JANUARY 21

A GRADE, Division 1

KoonL/RSL v Inverloch
LEONGATHA TURF
Glenn Plymin
Town v Nerrena
SCORPION 1
Ian Thorn
Club v OMK
WONTHAGGI TURF
John Schelling
Phillip Island v Imperials
COWES
Steve McNamara

A Grade, Division 2

Nyora v Foster
NYORA
Graham Wightman
Korumburra v MDU
KORUMBURRA
Ashley Stride
Kilcunda-Bass v Glen Alvie
BASS 1
Greg Goss
Club v Phillip Island
McMAHON
Neil Grabham

B Grade, Division 1

Inverloch v Koon L/RSL
INVERLOCH TURF
Geoff Wyatt
MDU v Korumburra
MEENIYAN
Terry Rogers
OMK v Nerrena
OUTTRIM
Geoff Parkinson
Imperials - BYE

B GRADE, Division 2

Club v Town
DALYSTON
TBA
OMK v Kilcunda-Bass
DIGGER PARK
Michael Heenan
Phillip Island v Glen Alvie
REECE PARK (RHYLL)
Neil Barnes
Nerrena - BYE

C GRADE, Division 1

Koonwarra L/RSL v Nyora
KOONWARRA
TBA
Inverloch v Club
INVERLOCH FG
TBA
MDU v Phillip Island
DUMBALK
TBA
Korumburra - BYE

C GRADE, Division 2

Kilcunda Bass v Glen Alvie
BASS 2
TBA
Koonwarra L/RSL v Town
LG VELODROME
TBA
OMK - BYE



Darcy Hume watches the ball closely in his side's loss to Phillip Island. B05_0323

Mock finds form and leads Sharks over Town

• A Grade, Division 1

IN THE second instalment of the Grand Final rematch, Town won the toss and chose to bat first at Scorpion Park.

Openers Darcy Hume (11 from 43) and his skipper Jesse Giardina (58 from 74) gave the Scorpions a decent start with a 49-run stand before the former fell.

Giardina's fellow top order batters pitched in to have the hosts finish 8/172, the captain top scored with a half century.

Shiran Rathnayake (3/19 from 8) did the damage with the ball for the Island.

In reply, Thomas Keily (24 from 15) opened the innings with Jarrod Black (26 from 44) for the Sharks, getting starts before both falling to have their side 3/56.

With the game up for grabs, Rathnayake (56 from 61) combined with his captain Daniel Mock (53* from 52) for a match-defining 94-run stand which saw both players reach half centuries.

Rathnayake eventually lost his wicket but Mock continued on, finding some long sought after runs for himself after what has been an uncharacteristic season, clinching the win too.

Mudassar Riaz (1/28 from 6) tried hard once again for Town.

The 5-wicket win sees the reigning premiers stay in contention with the top four, after starting the week outside it, they host the Imperials this weekend.

As for Leongatha, they'll host the red-hot Nerrena.

Club dominate in McMahon run fest

WONTHAGGI hosted Koonwarra L/RSL at McMahon Reserve and the hosts won the toss and chose to bat.

Club put the Cougars to the sword,

on the back of a superb innings from the in-from Mitchell Thomas (91 from 58) at the top, his half century included nine fours and six sixes!

Joel Brann (58 from 43) also pitched in, his half century included four fours and five sixes.

Wonthaggi's innings had it all, from high scores to two golden ducks in the middle order, they finished their 40 overs with a mammoth total of 8/317.

Callum Buckland (3/48 from 4) picked up three wickets.

In reply, Koony' couldn't quite find the same aggressive flow despite strong showings from skipper Ben Walsh (49 from 81) and Sam Hughes (49 from 61).

Matthew Waller (2/8 from 2) bowled well as the Cougars fell 121-runs short, giving Wonthaggi the win.

Club will host OMK next round while Koonwarra will host Inverloch.

Nerrena prevail in an instant classic

IN WHAT could very well prove to be the game of the year, ladder leaders Nerrena travelled down to Thompson Reserve to face bolters Inverloch, who won the toss and chose to bat first.

After a convincing loss last time they faced Nerrena, the Stingrays welcomed back Andrew Donohue and Lewis Rankin and Donohue (100 from 92) sure made up for lost time.

The classy all-rounder came to the crease with his side 1/15 and put together an incredible 174-run partnership with young star Jack Butcher (81 from 114) putting the Stingrays into a commanding position.

Tim Wightman (4/56 from 8) again starred with the ball as Donohue notched a marvellous century and the hosts finished up 5/233, a terrific score that would sure take some chasing.

However, chase it Nerrena did.

The visitors came out strong with this season's run-machine Mitchell Clark (60 from 50) again posting a half century as his side reached 3/105.

But a flurry of wickets, inspired by a brilliant spell from Jack Donohue (3/69 from 7) gave the Stingrays hope once again as it looked as though Nerrena's unlikely chances of victory were fading.

However, with their side facing a shock defeat Jarrod Hoy (32* from 24) and his skipper Caine Salmon (27* from 18) helped the visitors tail wag and wag hard, putting on a match-winning 59-run partnership in the dying overs to rip the hearts from the Stingrays.

Nerrena escaped with a famous 2-wicket win in a match that saw 469 total runs scored, they hold top spot going into this weekend's clash with Leongatha.

Inverloch will face Koony.

Imperials struggle against Diggers

THE Imperials hosted OMK at the Leongatha Recreation Reserve and the hosts won the toss and chose to bat first.

The Imps innings never really got going, as Tim Sauvarin (29 from 33) top scored in a total score of 10/129.

Thomas Wyatt (4/15 from 8) starred with the ball once again for OMK.

In reply, the Diggers didn't have as much trouble losing just the five wickets on their way to reaching the target with four overs to spare, Jacob Lamers (39 from 85) top scored.

Lucas Anderson (2/27 from 8) was the pick of the bowlers in the loss, his side will play Phillip Island this Saturday, while OMK head down to Wonthaggi.

Visit our website:
www.sgst.com.au

A GRADE DIVISION 1

Nerrena 8/236 d Inverloch 5/233	
Inverloch – 1st INNINGS	
J Butcher c R Clark b T Wightman	81
J Strickland c & b J Hoy	0
A Donohue c & b T Wightman	100
D Newman c J Trease b T Wightman	20
W Taberner c J Rendén b T Wightman	1
JB Dennerley not out	3
K Joske not out	4
Extras (nb 0, w 17, b 5, lb 2)	24
Total 5/233 (40 overs)	
Bowling: J Trease 8-2-0-25 (2w), J Hoy 8-1-1-60 (12w), R Clark 8-0-0-41, M Clark 8-0-0-44 (1w), T Wightman 8-1-4-56 (2w)	
Nerrena – 1st INNINGS	
M Clark b A Donohue	60
R Clark st J Butcher b H Butcher	4
H Funnell b L Rankin	0
T Wightman c J Butcher b A Donohue	35
S Vagg c W Taberner b J Donohue	28
LJ Giliam b CW Asbury	21
J Rendén b J Donohue	1
D Berryman st J Butcher b J Donohue	1
J Hoy not out	32
C Salmon not out	27
Extras (nb 0, w 15, b 1, lb 11)	27
Total 8/236 (39 overs)	
Bowling: CW Asbury 8-1-1-41 (5w), L Rankin 8-1-1-22 (4w), JB Dennerley 4-0-0-44 (6w), H Butcher 4-1-1-15, A Donohue 8-1-2-33, J Donohue 7-0-3-69	

Club 8/317 d Koonwarra L/RSL 6/196	
Club – 1st INNINGS	
M Thomas st J Hughes b I Darshana	91
S Beaumont c J Hughes b BF Davison	25
RG Thomas c S Hughes b C Buckland	37
J Brann c J Kennedy b C Buckland	58
E Dempsey st J Hughes b C Buckland	0
A Geyer c J Hughes b BF Davison	0
M Waller b H Hoekstra	26
J Sheerin b H Hoekstra	26
R Birkett not out	23
J Sheerin not out	1
Extras (nb 2, w 24, b 1, lb 3)	30
Total 8/317 (40 overs)	
Bowling: K Weeranga 6-0-0-39 (10w), H Hoekstra 5-0-2-44 (2w), I Wickramasinghe 6-0-0-63 (1nb, 4w), J Kennedy 7-0-0-46 (2w), I Darshana 5-0-1-32 (1nb, 1w), BF Davison 7-0-2-41 (3w), C Buckland 4-0-3-48 (2w)	
Koonwarra L/RSL – 1st INNINGS	
H Hoekstra c M Mccall b J Brann	25
I Darshana retired not out	13
BF Davison lbw b J Brann	0
B Walsh b A Geyer	49
S Hughes c M Waller b A Geyer	49
K Weeranga c J Sheerin b M Waller	27
I Wickramasinghe not out	13
M Scrimshaw b M Waller	1
J Hughes not out	5
Extras (nb 0, w 12, b 0, lb 2)	14
Total 6/196 (40 overs)	
Bowling: J Brann 6-0-2-30 (7w), R Birkett 6-0-0-29 (3w), J Sheerin 4-0-0-17, M McCall 8-0-0-33, A Geyer 8-0-2-53 (1w), S Beaumont 6-0-0-24 (1w), M Waller 2-0-2-8	

OMK 5/130 d Imperials 129	
Imperials – 1st INNINGS	
L Rogers c PJ Dell b T Wyatt	8
T Sauvarin c J Cuman b T Wyatt	29
S Sameera c J Lamers b N Auddino	9
D Perera b T Wyatt	6
T Williams c J Cuman b N Auddino	13
L Wright c K Brann b N Auddino	5
D McLennan b T Wyatt	0
GA Sauvarin b J Lamers	21
F Botha c A Rose b J Lamers	3
L Anderson not out	8
AR Williams run out (J Lamers)	3
Extras (nb 2, w 19, b 0, lb 3)	24
Total 129 (39.3 overs)	
Bowling: PJ Dell 5.3-1-0-21 (6w), E Lamers 8-0-0-36 (1nb), T Wyatt 8-2-4-15 (2w), RL Williams 2-0-0-14 (8w), N Auddino 8-1-3-20 (1nb), J Lamers 8-1-2-20 (3w)	
OMK – 1st INNINGS	
T Wyatt b L Rogers	22
E Lamers c F Botha b L Anderson	8
RL Williams b L Anderson	0
J Lamers lbw b L Wright	39
A Rose c GA Sauvarin b S Sameera	20
K Brann not out	14
D Lloyd not out	2
Extras (nb 0, w 22, b 0, lb 3)	25
Total 5/130 (36 overs)	
Bowling: L Wright 8-1-1-31 (3w), L Anderson 8-2-2-27 (8w), T Sauvarin 6-1-0-19 (4w), L Rogers 4-0-1-15 (4w), S Sameera 8-1-1-18, T Williams 2-0-0-17 (3w)	

Phillip Island 5/174 d Town 8/172	
Town – 1st INNINGS	
D Hume c J Black b S Kirton	11
J Giardina b C Keerthisinghe	58
B Hanrahan c T Keily b M Baxter	34
A Ratnaike c EM Richards b S Kirton	31
M Madusanka c & b SL Rathnayake	11
DL Polwaththa Gallage c S Kirton b SL Rathnayake ..	3
M Riaz c DP Mock b SL Rathnayake	2
P Jayasinghe not out	12
S Clark b M Baxter	1
F McLennan not out	2
Extras (nb 0, w 5, b 2, lb 0)	7
Total 8/172 (40 overs)	
Bowling: M Baxter 8-0-2-40 (2w), C Keerthisinghe 8-2-1-26 (2w), T Keily 3-0-0-13, SL Rathnayake 8-1-3-19, S Kirton 6-1-2-28, M Royal 3-0-0-15 (1w), DP Mock 4-0-0-29	
Phillip Island – 1st INNINGS	
J Black lbw b M Madusanka	26
T Keily b DL Polwaththa Gallage	24
T Blackwell lbw b M Riaz	4
SL Rathnayake c DL Polwaththa Gallage b D Hume 56	
DP Mock not out	53
EM Richards c B Hanrahan b L Gill	0
BD Johnston not out	4
Extras (nb 1, w 6, b 0, lb 0)	7
Total 5/174 (33 overs)	
Bowling: M Riaz 6-1-1-28 (1w), DL Polwaththa Gallage 5-0-1-26, A Ratnaike 5-1-0-20, M Madusanka 8-2-1-35, D Hume 6-0-1-39 (1nb, 2w), L Gill 3-0-1-26 (3w)	



Nyora’s Daniel Esler plays a nice shot to the offside in his side’s win over Kilcunda Bass. B08_0323

Lone hand not enough for Kilcunda-Bass

• A Grade, Division 2

KEEPER and opener Shannon Rozario did his utmost to ensure Kilcunda Bass’ decision to bat paid off, making 78 runs off 111 balls. However, Harrison Berry (18) and Bradley Waldron (17) were the only other Sharks to reach double figures, albeit a few batsmen didn’t get a hit during the side’s 40 overs. Aidan Simmons helped prevent Kilcunda Bass setting a tougher total than its 5/151 by snavelling an excellent 2/14 off eight overs, accounting for Sharks opener Jaydan Tregear and number three batsman Daniel Ferguson cheaply. Henry Dolphin was also tidy with 1/24 off eight overs and claimed the prized scalp of Rozario, having him caught by Lochie Row. Captain Dolphin backed up his work with the ball with a score of 50, building a platform for Nyora success. Gavin Hackett made an important 39 not out, with other handy contributions from keeper Kade Anderson (27) and Jake Hackett who registered an unbeaten score of 19 as Nyora knocked off the required target for the loss of just three wickets. While Ryley Duff, Tregear and Jackson Baker were the wicket takers for Kilcunda Bass, Todd Smith deserves acknowledgement for his economical effort of none for 14 off eight overs.

MDU blasts win in Foster

AFTER choosing to bat, visitor Meeniyán Dumbalk United failed to bat out its 40 overs but it mattered little with its blistering innings amounting to 292 runs. Tharindu Nuwan was the inspiration upon which the epic score was built, clubbing 109 off a mere 67 balls.

He despatched eight of those deliveries over the boundary, also hitting 10 fours. Opener and captain Joel Sinclair was the other major contributor with the bat for MDU with 65 off 70 balls. The spectacular MDU total received a major boost from an absurd extras tally of 52. That included eight no balls and a staggering 32 wides. Foster tried seven bowlers in its efforts to stem the tide, with Mitchell Jones taking 3/53 off his eight overs, while Brad Coates, Andrew Pattie and Wayne McDonald took a couple of wickets apiece. Foster never threatened to manage the blistering 7.3 runs per over required, managing only 143 from its 40 overs despite having four wickets remaining. MDU’s bowlers were far less generous in the extras department than Foster had been and made the Tigers work hard for their runs. While Harvey Griggs impressed with 42 for Foster at almost a run a ball, he was run out by Jai Bright. Foster skipper and keeper Mitchell Jones did his best to provide solidity for his side but his 40 not out came of 88 deliveries. Steven Arnup was the multiple wicket taker for the triumphant MDU with 2/27 off his eight overs, with Bright, Mark Cantwell and Nuwan all economical in taking a wicket each.

Phillip Island makes right call against Glen Alvie

HOST Phillip Island was vindicated after sending Glen Alvie in, with the visitors battling to 7/148 off their 40 overs. Glen Alvie captain and keeper Lachlan Harris opened for his side with a rapid 40 off 32 balls and Nathan Findlay finished

unbeaten on 30, with three other members of the batting lineup making it into double figures but unable to press on. Phillip Island shared the wickets around, with five of its six bowlers taking one each. Clint Wilson was one of those to make a breakthrough, conceding just 11 runs off his full complement of overs. Phillip Island’s top three batsmen got the chase off to a strong start, combining for 125 runs, highlighted by opener Daniel Bourke’s 57. He fell with the team’s score just three runs behind Glen Alvie’s total. Number three Sarith Angelo made 43 and Kurt Lane opened with 25 before being run out. It was a tough ask for the Glen Alvie bowlers as they strived to defend a modest tally, with Dean Williams and Wayne Luke the only members of the attack to break through, each taking a solitary wicket.

Wonthaggi soundly beaten by Korumburra

HOME side Korumburra read the situation well, sending visitor Wonthaggi in and the Cobras bowlers backed the decision in spectacular style. Wonthaggi was skittled for a measly 76 in a little under 30 overs. Harshika Fernando grabbed 3/8 off his full allotment of overs with Steven Hamill the other Cobra to complete his overs, taking 3/18. Sri Lankan teammate Inshaka Siriwardena was the other Korumburra bowler to manage more than one wicket with 2/14. The Sri Lankan pair combined to guide Korumburra to a nine-wicket win after Cobras opener Tom Crocker fell for 12 to the bowling of Luke McGuirk.

A GRADE DIVISION 2

Korumburra 1/77 d Club 76	
Club – 1st INNINGS	
M Davey c C Arnold b H Fernando	7
H West c R Rangana b S Hamill	1
J Hull c S Hamill b P Edwards	12
J Williamson b S Hamill	0
K McGregor c P Edwards b I Siriwardena	27
M Chisholm c R Rangana b S Hamill	8
F West c C Arnold b H Fernando	1
DT Herbert c & b H Fernando	0
L McGuirk c R Rangana b T Crocker	7
S Williams c M Young b I Siriwardena	2
H Dobbie not out	0
Extras (nb 0, w 10, b 0, lb 1)	11
Total 76 (29.3 overs)	
Bowling: S Hamill 8-1-3-18 (3w), J Whiteside 6-3-0-10 (4w), H Fernando 8-4-3-8 (1w), P Edwards 2-0-1-19 (2w), I Siriwardena 4.3-2-2-14, T Crocker 1-0-1-6	
Korumburra – 1st INNINGS	
T Crocker b L McGuirk	12
H Fernando not out	30
I Siriwardena not out	19
Extras (nb 4, w 4, b 6, lb 2)	16
Total 1/77 (11.2 overs)	
Bowling: F West 3-0-0-14 (2nb, 2w), J Hull 2-0-0-8, H Dobbie 2-0-0-13, L McGuirk 2-0-1-10, J Williamson 1.2-0-0-11 (2nb), S Williams 1-0-0-13 (2w)	

Nyora 3/155 d Kilcunda-Bass 5/151	
Kilcunda-Bass – 1st INNINGS	
S Rozario c L Row b H Dolphin	78
J Tregear c KW Anderson b A Simmons	7
D Ferguson c KW Anderson b A Simmons	3
B Waldron c J Hackett b R White	17
A Larcombe c MJ Rowe b R White	1
H Berry not out	18
TC Smith not out	8
Extras (nb 3, w 12, b 0, lb 4)	19
Total 5/151 (40 overs)	
Bowling: MJ Rowe 8-0-0-41 (1nb, 5w), A Simmons 8-3-2-14 (3w), H Dolphin 8-1-1-24 (1nb, 2w), R White 8-0-2-36, J Henry 8-0-0-32 (1nb, 2w)	
Nyora – 1st INNINGS	
H Dolphin c & b J Baker	50
D Esler b R Duff	6
KW Anderson b J Tregear	27
G Hackett not out	39
J Hackett not out	19
Extras (nb 3, w 6, b 3, lb 2)	14
Total 3/155 (32.2 overs)	
Bowling: TC Smith 8-2-0-14 (3w), R Duff 3-0-1-28 (2w), H Berry 6.2-1-0-25, J Tregear 8-0-1-31 (1nb), NJ McCallum 4-0-0-21, J Baker 2-0-1-19 (1w), J Mahood 1-0-0-12	

MDU 292 d Foster 6/143	
MDU – 1st INNINGS	
S Arnup lbw b B Coates	0
J Sinclair lbw b W McDonald	65
T Sinclair b AJ Pattie	5
T Nuwan c J McDonald b M Jones	109
J Bright c AJ Pattie b W McDonald	8
M Hooper c H Griggs b M Jones	14
M Martin b AJ Pattie	6
T Zukovskis c H Griggs b M Jones	11
S Bright c W McDonald b M Allott	5
B Cantwell b B Coates	16
M Cantwell not out	1
Extras (nb 8, w 32, b 4, lb 8)	52
Total 292 (38.3 overs)	
Bowling: B Coates 7-0-2-35 (1nb, 10w), AJ Pattie 8-0-2-44 (4w), H Griggs 4-0-0-61 (2nb, 2w), W Roffey 2-0-0-25 (3nb, 6w), W McDonald 8-0-2-47 (4w), M Jones 8-0-3-53 (6w), M Allott 1.3-0-1-15 (2nb)	
Foster – 1st INNINGS	
M Allott c J Sinclair b S Bright	17
B Davy b M Cantwell	3
AJ Pattie b S Arnup	8
M Jones not out	40
B Coates c J Sinclair b S Arnup	12
H Griggs run out (J Bright)	42
W McDonald c M Martin b T Nuwan	4
B Busuttill not out	2
Extras (nb 2, w 11, b 0, lb 2)	15
Total 6/143 (40 overs)	
Bowling: S Bright 8-2-1-23 (3w), M Cantwell 4-0-1-10 (1w), S Arnup 8-1-2-27 (1nb, 1w), B Cantwell 5-1-0-21, M Hooper 4-1-0-17 (1w), T Nuwan 7-1-1-23 (1nb), T Zukovskis 2-0-0-9 (4w), J Bright 2-0-0-11 (1w)	

Phillip Island 3/151 d Glen Alvie 7/148	
Glen Alvie – 1st INNINGS	
S Smith run out (T Niven)	4
L Harris c GD McCausland b TS Niven	40
B McRae c D Womersley b HW Womersley	14
D Williams run out (TS Niven)	14
S Kennedy b D Womersley	11
M Allen b C Wilson	2
N Findlay not out	30
RV Sinclair c HW Womersley b GD McCausland ..	8
W Luke not out	6
Extras (nb 1, w 12, b 3, lb 3)	19
Total 7/148 (40 overs)	
Bowling: T Niven 6-0-0-20 (1nb, 8w), GD McCausland 8-0-1-50 (2w), TS Niven 8-1-1-36 (1w), C Wilson 8-3-1-11, HW Womersley 6-2-1-13 (1w), D Womersley 4-0-1-12	
Phillip Island – 1st INNINGS	
D Bourke b W Luke	57
K Lane run out (S Kennedy)	25
S Angelo c L Harris b D Williams	43
D Womersley not out	15
K Beaumont not out	2
Extras (nb 1, w 8, b 0, lb 0)	9
Total 3/151 (26.2 overs)	
Bowling: N Findlay 6-0-0-28 (1w), S Kennedy 5-1-0-28 (1w), RV Sinclair 3-0-0-24 (1nb, 1w), MA Dakin 3-0-0-17 (1w), D Williams 3-0-1-26 (2w), W Luke 4-0-1-14 (2w), L Harris 2.2-0-0-14	



The 2021/22 under 17s premiers Inverloch took to the MCG for a lap of honour last week before the Melbourne Stars took to the field.

Young Sharks and Stingrays 'Starring'

JUNIOR cricket has made quite the comeback post COVID around the Leongatha District Cricket Association, especially for Inverloch and Phillip Island who battled it out in both the under 15s and 17s Grand Finals last season.

The two clubs were again locked atop the league ladder at the Christmas break and were even honoured by the Melbourne Stars last week.

The Stars invited all junior premiership teams from last season to their match with the Adelaide Strikers at the MCG last Thursday night, for a lap of honour on the hallowed turf.

Having won the under 17s premiership a season ago, the Stingrays squad made the trek to the big smoke, bringing with them members of the premiership

By Aiden Box

side, as well as this season's new faces.

Inverloch's junior co-ordinator Jackie Newman spoke on the experience and how it was enjoyed by all.

"Thursday night was great, to be invited firstly and to be recognised and acknowledged for winning a premiership and it was also great because we had a mix of last year's premiership team and this year's under 17s squad," she said.

"So, we had a few younger ones who've come into the team this season too, so it was good to just get them on a bus going away and having a night together and they got to watch the Big Bash too!"

Newman also gave an overview

of how junior cricket is going for the young Stingrays.

"I would say it's good, we've kept most of our juniors together which is pleasing, we've got really good coaches in place, and I think, as a whole, right through our club we've got some really good players coming through," she said.

Newman mentioned how the under 17s premiership win and the under 15s Grand Final berth a season ago gave the talented squad a boost into this season, where both teams are again in finals contention.

"I think the experience for them is great, we've managed to retain all of those kids, we've also got seven brand new families into the under 15s this year so it's good for them to come in and play with the kids that've

had the experience of finals and Grand Finals," she said.

As mentioned, Inverloch has turned themselves into a fierce contender each year, and Newman explained how this came about and what it does for the kids and their cricket.

"Most of the kids that are coming through the ranks have played a lot of cricket, played a lot of cricket together and most of them play senior cricket as well so they get double cricket on a Saturday," she said.

"We also have a large portion of the kids playing representative cricket, they're getting a lot of cricket in so I think that helps, but we've also got really strong under 12s and Woolworths Blast kids as well, so there's constantly really strong players coming through the ranks."

The young Stingrays teams are full of talent, but Newman highlighted some standouts to watch as the season nears the pointy end.

"In the under 12s, keep an eye on Aedan Parker and Noah McMillan, in the under 15s watch Ty Debono, Mia Dugard, Holly Williams and Loughton Radford and in the under 17s Harry Butcher, Jesse Dugard and Riley Harris, I could name them all really," she said.

She was obviously too humble to mention her own sons, Cooper and Rhys Newman, who are both having excellent seasons in the under 15s and 17s respectively.

The Stingrays junior co-ordinator finished by giving her thanks.

Continued page 47

Celebrate a Sea-Doo Summer!

Choose fun.



Arrange an on water DEMO today!

SEA-DOO