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Wonthaggi Neighbourhood House committee member Grant Watson and Manager Leslie Adams run their food relief program every weekday to help the community with the cost-of-living crisis. See more on page 9.

Mayor Hersey to take on Broadbent

TWO people, possibly more, have nominated at the weekend to challenge veteran Monash MP Russell Broadbent at Liberal preselection later in the year.

Among them are our own South Gippsland Shire Council Mayor Cr Nathan Hersey.

Cr Hersey confirmed he would nominate to oppose Mr Broadbent at preselection, on the sidelines of the Australian Local Government Association National Assembly last Thursday.

He did so only hours after the former Executive Director for the Committee for Gippsland, Mary Aldred, had confirmed her hat was in the ring to take over as Liberal candidate.

However, speaking to the Sentinel-Times, Cr Hersey said he could not make comment other than to confirm he too was standing.

The news that there will be a contest between Liberal nominees in Monash comes as something of a surprise given Mr Broadbent's resilience and record of success at the ballot box, and the parlous state of the party.

Since first standing for election in 1984 and 1987, in the old seat of Streeton (Croydon to Healesville), Mr Broadbent has won nine out of 13 elections and is one of the longest-serving MPs in the Australian Parliament.

Although Mr Broadbent told the Sentinel-Times this week he was unable to comment on preselection due to party rules, local Liberal members say he is determined to stand again, and to fight off the challengers at preselection in October/November this year.

Despite not being able to comment

however, Mr Broadbent must have had elections and candidates on his mind last Wednesday, June 14 when he rose to speak in support of a condolence motion offered by Tony Burke MP and Paul Fletcher MP for the late, great musician and multi-award-winning songwriter Joy McKean OAM, long-time collaborator and life partner of Slim Dusty.

"There is always more to the story," he said, himself a "jumpsuit-wearing singer" of show band The Trutones back in the 1970s.

"There was a young Labor candidate named Duncan Kerr in Tasmania who was trying to find a way to make himself electable and different, so he could win this seat that was most difficult for him to win.

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Coincidentally, South Gippsland Mayor Cr Nathan Hersey was in Canberra last week, at the same time as Russell Broadbent MP, when he confirmed he would be nominating for Liberal pre-selection in Monash. Cr Hersey was attending a function on Thursday night, in Parliament House, with Deputy Mayor Cr Clare Williams as part of the ALGA National Assembly of councils.

Mayor Hersey to take on Broadbent

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"So, he decided to go to Slim Dusty and ask him if he could use one of their songs in his campaign. That song was 'I Love to Have a Beer with Duncan'. That became a part of his campaign.

"Duncan won that election because there were lots of people that decided they would like to have a beer with Duncan."

The next Federal election is likely to be held in 2025.

A respected professional, Mary Aldred, who is head of government relations for Asia Pacific at Fujitsu and the daughter of former federal MP Ken Aldred, has long held ambitions to enter the Australian Parliament.

Graduating with a Master of Business Administration from Federation University Gippsland in 2018, she has also completed a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), a Master of Agribusiness, and is a graduate of the Gippsland Community Leadership Program.

A former advisor to the Hon Greg Hunt MP, Minister for Health, among others over a period of 10 years, Nathan Hersey has also made no secret of his political ambitions, and like many before him, entered local government in part at least to test his mettle as an elected representative of his local community.

So, voters of Monash; would you like to have a beer with Russell, Nathan, Mary or someone else, when the next election rolls around in 2025.



There's been an alarming spike in crime for South Gippsland following the release of the latest the Crime Statistics Agency data.

Vehicle offences and burglaries contribute to crime spike

CRIMINAL incidents in South Gippsland were up a massive 22.9% according to data from the Crime Statistics Agency (CSA) for the year ending March 31, 2023.

The recent quarter saw criminal incidents rise from 1190 to 1462 incidents, with Leongatha the top town for offences followed by Korumburra and Mirboo North.

The top offence for criminal incidents was breach family violence order.

Of the criminal incidents recorded, 41.1% resulted in charges laid, while 37.8% were unsolved.

There was also a substantial increase in victim reports, up by 22.7% from 858 to 1053.

Majority of reports were made for assault and related offences, with those 55 and over making the most reports.

However, family violence incidents were down by 2.4%.

While interestingly in Bass Coast, criminal incidents remained virtually unchanged from 2142 to 2143 incidents.

The top suburbs for criminal incidents were Wonthaggi followed by Cowes and Inverloch.

The top offences were breach family violence order, criminal damage and other theft.

Family violence was also down in Bass Coast by 5.9%, but the family violence rate per 100,000 population was 1996 compared to the Victorian rate of 1377 per 100,000 population.

The most affected age group for family violence ranged from 25-34 and 55 plus.

"Overall crime in South Gippsland increased over the past 12 months, which can be attributed to a rise in motor vehicle crime and non-aggravated residential burglaries," said Inspector Leigh Balthazaar, Morwell Investigation and Response Manager.

"We want to reassure the community that police are patrolling every day and night, recovering stolen vehicles and arresting offenders looking to break into homes and cars.

"We also urge the community to ensure they are securing their properties and vehicles at all times.

"Simple home security measures such as locking all doors and windows to your home and car can go a long way to preventing your car from being stolen or home broken into.

"Police are never surprised by the release of quarterly CSA data, as we are monitoring and responding to crime trends on a daily basis.

"A large proportion of family violence offences recorded were breaches of family violence orders, which is due to the proactive methods from detectives in the Family Violence Investigation Unit to monitor offenders.

"We know that family violence is chronically underreported, which is why our detectives are out every day, knocking on doors and ensuring known offenders are complying with their orders – if they are caught offending or breaching an order, police will have absolutely no hesitation in bringing them before a court."

State-wide, there were 496,589 criminal offences recorded in Victoria in the 12 months to March 2023, representing an increase of 26,424 offences or 5.6% from the previous year.

Overall crime still remained 9.1% below pre-COVID levels.

State-wide, youths aged 10 – 14 were responsible for 6418 incidents – an increase of 44.6%.

Offenders aged 10 - 24 were responsible for 45,786 incidents – an increase of 8.4% year-on-year. Overall offending in this age group remains below the levels seen in the 12 months immediately leading into the pandemic.

Vietnam Vets explore options for re-development

THE proposed re-development plans for the new National Vietnam Veterans Museum were opposed by VCAT due to the zoning of the new location, but Senator Jacqui Lambie took a visit to the current site this month showing her support for the volunteers.

General Manager Phil Dressing contacted the former ADF member, meeting at her office on May 25 – showing the drawings of the new museum, with the Senator immediately taking interest and scheduling a June 9 visit to Phillip Island.

Senator Lambie toured the museum before making a presentation to the Vietnam Veterans Association declaring her support for the new site expansion proposal, recognising where the vets have been and where they want to go in the future.

"We had 60 people from the Vietnam Veterans Association in attendance, backing the re-development application, we just need to work through the change in zoning.

"The land in question is currently sitting under 'farm zoning' and was therefore dis-sented by VCAT, but the Bass Coast Tourism Strategy supported the proposal and has seven areas of land that are identified for rural tourism, but we need zoning classification."

The only way the site can be implemented within the scheme is to be 're-zoned or if we find a new location'.

Outgrowing the current site, Phil, and the team of volunteers are grateful for the support from Senator Lambie and the Bass Coast Shire Council and will be looking into the next phase for approval.

"From here we will be considering all available options for us. Pursuing primary land area and then seeking a meeting with planning minister."

Phillip Island CFA moves into new home

THE Phillip Island Fire Brigade has moved into its new station on Ventnor Road over the weekend, following the practical completion of the new state-of-the-art facility.

The brigade is now responding to emergencies from the new site.

"The new station features four motor room bays for firefighting appliances, a breathing apparatus (BA) maintenance room, meeting rooms, kitchen and office facilities," said CFA A/CO Garry Cook.

"The much anticipated \$2.2m station provides more space for the growing brigade to meet, train and respond to emergencies."

"Phillip Island Fire Brigade is an expanding brigade with 58 members, 42 of which are operational firefighters."

"Construction of the new site commenced in February 2021 and was delayed due to COVID-19 impacts and unseasonably wet weather."

"An official station opening event date is still to be determined."



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WED | June 21

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Wind PM: Light

4° **12°**



THU | June 22

Shower or two.
Wind AM: Light
Wind PM: Light

4° **12°**



FRI | June 23

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Wind AM: Light
Wind PM: Light

5° **13°**



SAT | June 24

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Wind AM: Light
Wind PM: Light

8° **13°**



SUN | June 25

Shower or two.
Wind AM: N 15-20km/h
Wind PM: NW 15-20km/h

6° **14°**

IN BRIEF

Shire to turn roads over to social housing

THE Bass Coast Shire Council looks set to do away with two unused road reserves, one in Cowes and one North Wonthaggi, effectively freeing up five building blocks for social housing.

The road reserve, located between Roydon Road and Wyndham Avenue Cowes, is an area of approximately 1535m² or two residential blocks.

The road reserve located between Ivor Street and Back Lane Henry Street North Wonthaggi is an area of approximately 2400m², effectively three residential blocks. Council received five written responses to the proposal, with three distinct themes including loss of parkland vegetation, adverse impact on wildlife, inadequate parking and concern about the development of social housing on the sites.

The council will vote at its council meeting on Wednesday to move ahead with the administrative procedures needed to complete the process.

Maybe you'd like the shire's old stuff

COMMUNITY groups who could have use for an old picnic table or piece of outdoor furniture might like to apply to the Bass Coast Shire Council.

The shire has a quantity of these 'low value assets', that might however be of use to local community groups at literally a giveaway price.

Low value assets and scrap material with an estimated value under \$2,000 that are unsuitable for new Council projects may be donated to charities or community organisations with the authority of Councils relevant Director.

Council occasionally receives requests from community, charity or social enterprises seeking the donation or concessional sales of surplus assets.

At times Council may invite such organisations to submit proposals (with no financial requirements) for the donation of surplus or obsolete assets.

Simply go to the shire's website before 5pm on Friday, June 30 and register your interest.

Shire to offer \$10,000 for projects

ONE of the most popular programs offered by the Bass Coast Shire Council is the twice-annual Community Grants Program.

And at this week's council meeting, the councillors look set to vote on an expansion to the program, including by offering three major grants of up to \$10,000 instead of one.

It is also proposed to increase the funding for Quick Response Grants from \$1000 to \$2000 per application and general applications expanded to cover amounts ranging from \$2001 to \$5000.

There are five categories of grants offered twice a year (March and August) under the Community Grants Program. The funding threshold for each category is \$2,001 to \$5,000.

The grant categories are:

- General Community Grants
- Equipment
- General Community Grants
- Other Projects
- Festivals, Events and Celebrations
- Minor Capital Works Grant
- Climate Action Grant.

Inquiry into rental and housing affordability

THE Legislative Council's Legal and Social Issues Committee is seeking submissions to its inquiry into the rental and housing affordability crisis in Victoria.

The inquiry will explore the challenges faced by Victorian renters and identify the factors contributing to the low availability and high costs of rental properties.

The Committee will also ex-

amine barriers to first home ownership and the impact this has on rental stock.

The Committee wants to hear from renters, property owners, industry experts and community organisations.

The inquiry will examine options to alleviate insecurity, increase availability, and address affordability issues faced by Victorian renters.

It will consider the adequacy of regulations governing the standards and conditions of rental housing, the impact of short-stay accommodation on the rental market and a range of other issues.

You can find the terms of reference and make a submission via the Committee's website.

Submissions close on July 7.

The Committee intends to table its final report, including recommendations, to the Victorian Parliament by November 17, 2023.

Better toilet facilities funded

MINISTER for Disability, Ageing and Carers Lizzie Blandthorn has announced \$2.3 million in funding for 13 Changing Places facilities – with grants to construct fully accessible toilet facilities including on Phillip Island.

Sites to receive up to \$180,000 for new facilities in this round of Changing Places grants Smiths Beach foreshore at Phillip Island and other public places such as playgrounds, libraries and parks.

Each Changing Place has a height-adjustable adult-sized changing table, a ceiling tracking hoist system, and enough space for two people either side of a peninsular toilet, making community spaces and events more accessible for people with disabilities.

For more information visit providers.dffh.vic.gov.au/changing-places.

'Top 10' according to ChatGPT

What are the top 10 best holiday destinations in Australia?

1. Gold Coast - Sunny beaches, theme parks, and nightlife.

2. Cairns - Gateway to the Great Barrier Reef, tropical rainforests and more.

3. Byron Bay - A coastal town with bohemian vibe, beaches, and surf culture.

4. Melbourne - Great food, fashion, and arts scene.

5. Tasmania - Perfect for nature lovers, with rugged coastlines, mountains, and wildlife.

6. Sydney - Opera House, Harbour Bridge and great ocean beaches.

7. Broome & Kimberley - Remote, rugged, beautiful.

8. The Barossa Valley - Australia's historic wine region and gourmet food destination.

9. The Blue Mountains - Food, wine, scenic views of mountains, waterfalls, and forests.

10. The Great Ocean Road - Awesome coastal drive to engaging coastal towns, beaches and views of the Twelve Apostles and more.

(What's missing? What about Phillip Island and its famous Penguin Parade?)

Building trends down

AFTER four months of low building permit activity in the Bass Coast Shire, the level of construction activity has continued to trend down markedly.

Whereas in January 2023 there were 84 permits issued, the number in January 2022 was 105, February 115 (134), March 110 (181) and April 90 (138).

Krowera Road fix costs \$1,325,199

THE cost of the dramatic landslip, which closed Krowera Road in August last year, is listed at \$1.325 million, according to contract information in the agenda for the Bass Coast Shire Council meeting this week.



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Kongwak residents are fighting a development which proposes to turn the Butter and Cheese Factory into a 150-person venue, with an additional 40 suite accommodation site.

Kongwak residents fight big plans for butter factory proposal

KONGWAK residents are objecting to a development proposal they believe would greatly impact their small peaceful town and their way of life.

"We were pretty shocked right back at the start, that the size of it was going to be so big. We were wondering about car parking, sewerage, the whole thing," Carolyn, a Kongwak resident and member of Save Kongwak Group said.

The initial proposal to develop the Kongwak Butter and Cheese Factory included a 150-person wedding and entertainment venue and accommodation within the site.

This has since been expanded and according to owners and developers, Gemma and Damien Cosgriff, the site will now include a new general store, restaurant, art gallery and event/creative spaces.

The Factory currently provides accommodation for up to 16 people across 5 bedrooms and the proposal is to be expanded to accommodate 40 suites, mostly twin beds, across a 39-acre site in Kongwak.

Concerns about how the development will be managed have been put to the developers from Kongwak residents, who live within the township boundary.

These include concerns of increased noise, traffic and parking; wastewater from a large number of people and the subsequent impact on the environment; and disruption to the town and the residents' peaceful way of life.

The Save Kongwak Group was formed following the announcement of the expansion on the initial proposal in January this year.

"Kongwak is a hamlet and as such it has no running water, it has no gas and it has no sewerage, so all we have here

is electricity," Michael, a resident and member of Save Kongwak Group said.

"What we object to is the potential for noise impact, the potential impacts to the environment from the processing of the effluent of these people.

"That's for 150 people, restaurant, and the 80-place accommodation, which will have showers, shampoo, soap, it's not just toilets, it's all the water that flows through the system," Carolyn said.

In response to the community questions and concerns and to ensure clarity and consistency of information, the Cosgriffs have developed a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) page on their website.

To actively address community concerns and objections, the developers have stated that they commissioned 17 feasibility studies on noise, traffic management and wastewater.

According to the Cosgriffs, noise controls have been identified to comply with stringent levels as defined in EPA guidelines.

The main carpark next to the site will address the carparking challenges in Kongwak on Sundays, with this being made available to those who attend the market.

"We've made representations to council, probably two or three times now in written documents," said Michael.

"We've also contacted ministers of Regional Development Victoria and the Minister for Tourism; we've contacted the Local Member and we've copied in the Premier.

"We've also sent our concerns on effluent management directly to South Gippsland Water."

While the Factory is a heritage listed building, members of the Save Kongwak Group claim the building is decrepit.

"The concern that we have is that the owners are trying to create a romance around restoring this thing.

"In fact, it's not a beautiful thing that anyone would be attracted to in its current state," Michael said.

However, Gemma Cosgriff refutes these sentiments.

"The Kongwak Butter Factory is absolutely worth saving."

As stated in the Victorian Heritage Database, historically, the site and its buildings demonstrate the importance of the dairy industry to the development of the Kongwak township and district.

The Save Kongwak Group will continue to discuss issues and are hoping to negotiate with the developers.

"We are going to propose putting forward an alternate vision for the site," Michael said.

The Cosgriffs state they have considered the impact on the township while planning and will continue to consider community feedback.

"Importantly, the day-to-day operation of the site and movement of guests has been carefully planned to occur within private property away from the public realm.

A Community Reference Group (CRG) is being established to engage with local relevant community groups.

"The CRG will bring community and stakeholders together with the owners of the Kongwak Butter and Cheese Factory to share information directly, discuss community concerns and impacts and how these may be addressed."

Mayor's message



Cr Michael Whelan



Recognising Bass Coast's Refugee Heroes

Walking across our region I am constantly excited to see many new faces of people who have chosen to make our country, and particularly our community, their new home.

I meet people who have come from diverse parts of the globe such as South Sudan, Burma, Vietnam, Syria, Cambodia and many more.

Often, they come to Bass Coast as refugees, after enduring awful things in their homelands. The current situation in Ukraine highlights the plight of earlier waves of refugees to Australia. This World Refugee Week, 18 to 24 June, we remember them.

I am proud that our community is so welcoming to people who have gone through so much hardship to get here. It reflects our generosity of spirit.

Bass Coast Shire Council welcomes refugees and encourages the enhancement of cultural and religious diversity they bring to our community.

Council signed the Refugee Welcome Zone (RWZ) initiative in 2005 in response to strong local lobbying from the South Gippsland Rural Australians for Refugees (SGRAR) group.

We are fortunate to have groups in our community like SGRAR which is made up of passionate locals, all working together to raise funds to support refugee and asylum seeker families, resettle them and advocate for their needs.

From 2 families and a monk from Burma, to over 30 Karen people, SGRAR provide a safe home within Wonthaggi families for these refugees. Many go on to become citizens, have their own home and work in aged care, hospitality, nursing or are studying.

You can help by joining their screening of award-winning film For Sama on

Sunday 25 June at WUCAC, with proceeds going to support Afghan families in danger.

The Bass Coast Refugee Sponsorship Group (BCRSG) are also a prominent local group, part of the Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre, helping from 'day one' with accommodation, schooling, English lessons, medical checks, jobs and more.

On World Refugee Day they're also hosting a documentary screening of humanKIND, funded and distributed by Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia. Follow the journey of a Kurdish family as they find a new home in Bass Coast, at Wonthaggi Baptist Church, from 7pm.

The Council supports these groups and wants to see government refugee policy better reflect the values of society and for human rights policy to be enshrined in law, to protect the rights of people who seek asylum in Australia.

I was reminded of the value of refugees to Bass Coast during International Women's Day this year when Nicky Chung, President of Rotary Wonthaggi, Deputy Chair of Bass Coast Health, Board Member at South Coast FM radio and CEO of Australian Vietnamese Women's Association, told of her family's remarkable journey to Australia.

After the Vietnam War, Nicky and her family of six fled their home country, leaving behind their loved ones, taking a risk in the hope of finding a better life. It started with a perilous boat trip, but the result has been the opportunity to make the most of living in the greatest country in the world, Australia.

This Refugee Week let's pause to reflect on the amazing contribution refugees have made to Bass Coast, and how it enriches us as a community.

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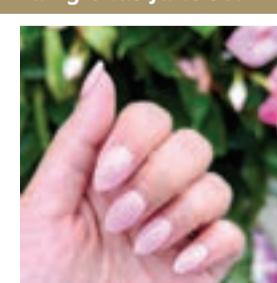
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Social housing ramping up with new Wonthaggi haven

WONTHAGGI is set for more social housing after Mind Australia and The Haven Foundation announced they will build 12 self-contained homes at Caledonian Crescent.

Construction is expected to commence by December 31, 2023, and be completed in September 2024.

The 12 one-bedroom, self-contained homes will cater for people living with significant mental health and wellbeing challenges in Wonthaggi.

'Haven' Wonthaggi will house up to 12 people.

The funding commitment was announced by the Minister for Housing, Colin Brooks MP at the site of the nearly completed Haven Ballarat West last week, as part of the government's Big Housing Build.

Haven residences feature one-bedroom self-contained homes with a main bedroom, built-in wardrobe, bathroom, kitchen and eating area, European laundry, lounge room and outdoor courtyard or balcony within a multi-unit property.

These developments will also feature shared indoor and outdoor community living and lounge areas, kitchen, meeting spaces and overnight facilities on-site for Mind Australia's around-the-clock specialist mental health support staff.

"Locations for Haven residences are chosen based on the need of the local region for mental health support of this kind," said Mark Heeney Executive Director Housing Strategy, The Haven Foundation. "Specific sites are chosen to ensure proximity to shops, public



Pictured is a render of a residence developed by the Haven Foundation with 12 homes to be constructed in Wonthaggi.

transport and other amenities. This is important as we know that an important part of a person's recovery is being able to manage daily activities, rebuild and maintain connections, engage with education and employment, and participate fully in the community."

Funding specifics are still being finalised, but Haven Wonthaggi will be joint funded by Homes Victoria and The Haven Foundation.

The new Haven residences will also be located in Kilmore, Colac, Frankston, Corio, Sunbury, Wodonga, and Traralgon.

Mind staff include peer practitioners

who use their own lived experience of mental health and wellbeing concerns to connect with clients and inspire their recovery journey.

"Women over 50, women and children fleeing family violence, young people and people living with mental ill-health are most at risk of homelessness and I wholeheartedly welcome The Haven Foundation and Mind Australia building 12 units here in Wonthaggi," Member for Bass, Jordan Crugnale said.

"They have identified a need here locally and through our Big Housing Build investment into the Bass Coast

means it can happen.

"This is about supporting in the best possible way our community members living amongst us dealing with mental ill-health.

"This is for them and I want to thank Mind Australia and Haven for identifying a need here locally, putting forth a housing and support service model that they are renowned for and that they will also work to make sure the built form and surrounds is of the highest quality, meets our sustainability criteria and 7 star energy rating too.

"Having worked as a mental health worker in Prahran, I remember when Haven South Yarra opened and have former colleagues that still work there. Highly regarded and respected in the sector and community they now have other locations around the state with one in Pakenham opening later this year."

While Wonthaggi resident Jessica Harrison of Housing Matters Bass Coast said they were very pleased to hear about the development.

"The design looks good, combining independent living and shared spaces. In the past, we have heard that local welfare agencies were forced to offer tents, as no suitable housing was available to homeless clients," she said.

"This new housing will fill an important gap. We look forward to welcoming residents to our community."

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Bass gets bigger with 50 new blocks

THE township of Bass is set to expand by the addition of 50 new rural-residential blocks, each of them about one acre in size, under a proposed amendment that has already been through a long-winded approvals process.

The 23.61 hectare grazing property, on Bass Road, Bass, proposed to be rezoned from Farming Zone to Low Density Residential Zone has been on public exhibition since December, and has been inside the town boundary since 2012.

It went through another planning process before that.

In response to the exhibition period, seven submissions were received. Of the submissions, two supported the amendment and five raised issues which related to wanting additional land to be included in the amendment, creating additional traffic and stormwater problems while also impacting adjoining agricultural land and the character of the town.

But the Bass Coast Shire Council decided at its meeting on February 15, 2023, to refer all submissions to an independent planning panel.

After a two-day public hearing on April 20 and 21, 2023 at the Bass Coast Shire Council Chambers, the panel came back with a report supporting a change of zoning to Low Density Residential Zone.

"The Panel finds the proposed rezoning is strategically justified. The subject land, and land to the east, is located within the Bass settlement boundary and marked as a short-term, low



Bass is set to expand by the addition of 50 new rural-residential blocks.

density residential opportunity.

"This formed part of the approval of Bass Coast Planning Scheme Amendment C93 in 2012 that introduced the Bass Coastal Strategic Framework.

"There is a current shire-wide lack of supply, and increased demand, for low density residential lots. The Bass Coast Residential Market Supply and Demand Assessment 2022 prepared by Urban Enterprise established there was a need for additional supply to meet this demand.

"The land is generally free from environmental and locational constraints, apart from flooding which is caused by poor drainage on the land and its broader surrounds, known as the Bass Flats. There are no statutory controls reflecting this and the flood plain manager, Melbourne Water, supported the Amendment.

"The Panel finds that, subject to a Stormwater Management Plan, the low density residential development of the land will enable formal drainage infrastructure to be constructed that can collect, retard and convey stormwater to a discharge point to the Bass River.

"The Panel finds that with its inland coastal location, the land will not be impacted by sea level rise or storm surge impacts."

The long-time owner of the land Alan McDonald is pleased to see the change finally proceeding.

"The critical point to make is that there is a need for larger, rural-residential blocks in Bass Coast and the development won't change the character of the town and the surrounding area," he said.

"Councils are aware of their obligations to provide enough land for housing, in the various

categories, in the hope of keeping prices down by providing adequate supply."

The site, known as the Katelea Pastoral land was cleared many years ago, contains low lying vegetation of prominently pastoral grasses and weeds and does not form part of a viable farm.

The land contains no dwellings and the only structure on the site is a dilapidated hay store/shed.

It is situated approximately 700 metres east of the town centre of the township of Bass.

At this Wednesday's council meeting, the councillors will be asked to adopt the amendment and send it to the Minister for formal approval having decided that the planning permit process associated with a future subdivision will enable the detailed design of drainage, land capability, traffic, bushfire, character, and minimum lot size issues to be addressed.

Shire to award \$4.7M Mahers Landing contract

JUST in the nick of time, the Bass Coast Shire Council has put itself in a position to award a \$4,246,240 contract to Simpson Construction Company Pty Ltd for an extensive upgrade to the Mahers Landing Boat Ramp Facility.

The decision to award the contract will be voted on at Wednesday's council meeting.

Officially awarding the contract is subject to Council receiving a signed funding agreement from Better Boating Victoria, which awarded \$4 million to the project, under the State Government's the 2022-23 Victorian Recreational Boating Action Plan.

But with internal project management costs of \$100,000 and a contingency of \$424,624, the total outlay could go as high as \$4,770,864.

The project is supposed to be started by the end of this financial year as a condition of the grant allocation, so it's going to be tight.

The planning permit was issued by council in March this year.

But, subject to approval of the additional cost, the works should be able to get underway soon.

The project is to be constructed in two parts:

Part 1: Construction of a new boat ramp, rock revetment and jetty.

Part 2: Upgrade of the car park and a new toilet block.

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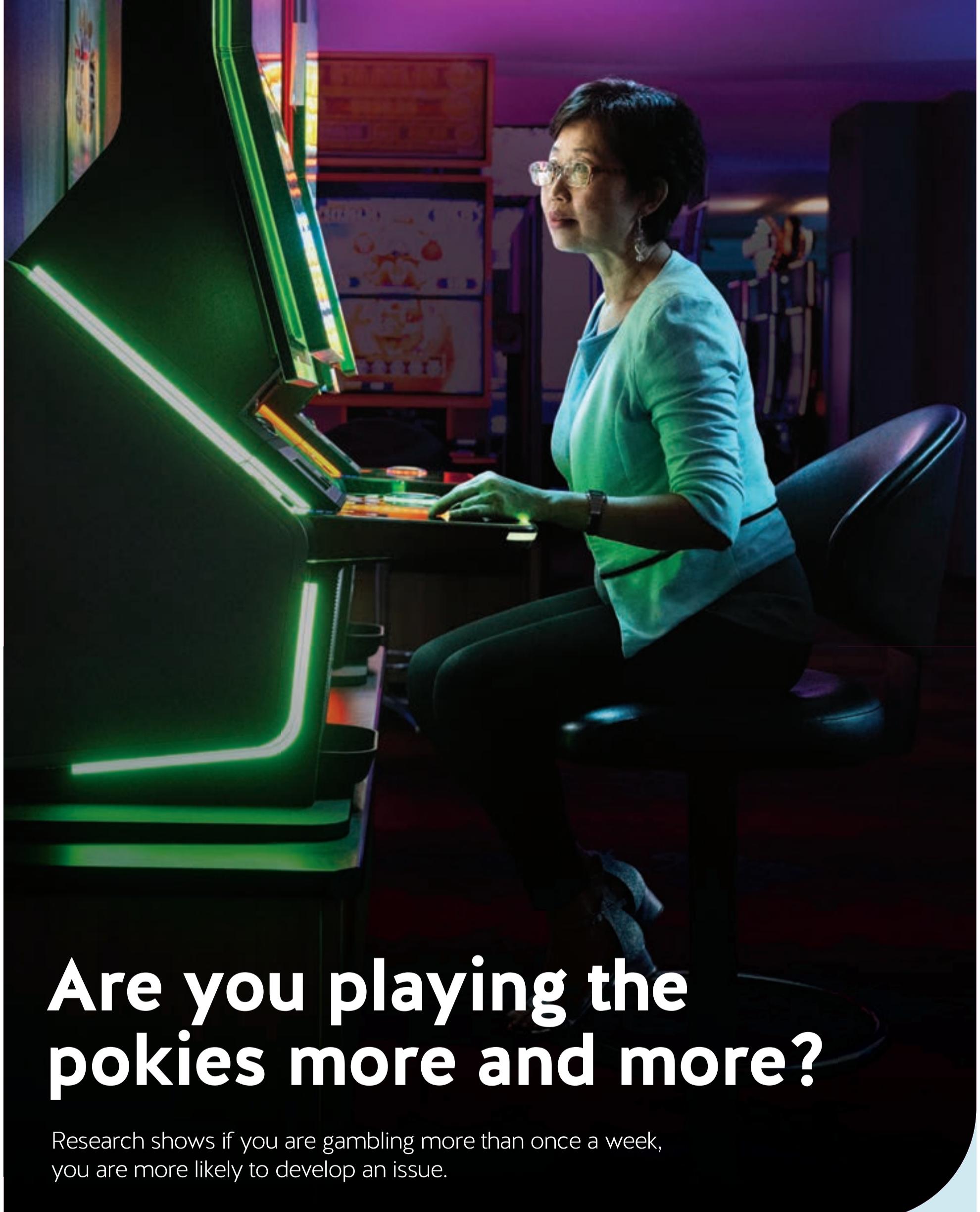
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Thelma, Trish, and Diane welcome the community to take part in their craft workshop each Wednesday from 10am-12pm at Wonthaggi Neighbourhood House. Z08_2523

Mitchell House help ease those extra costs

THE Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House have their doors open to the community in the effort to help ease the cost-of-living strain that is charging through homes causing significant financial pressure.

For everyday residents, the rise in living expenses isn't going down and wages aren't increasing – causing bills to pile up and sacrifices to be made when it comes to groceries and amenities.

At the Neighbourhood Centre in Wonthaggi, volunteers are dedicating their time to help ease the stress, providing a food relief system at the front entrance, where donations can be made, and everyday essentials are available for pick-up to help those in need.

Centre Manager Leslie Adams said, "we are all living in troubling times, and we welcome the community to our Wednesday cook up where a hot meal is provided by volunteer chefs."

They have 20 seats available each week and leftovers are frozen for pick up from the community pantry.

"We also focus on minimising social isolation, so anyone attending can build community connections; and feel comfortable to come along to future events that are run by our locals," said Leslie.

The Mitchell House committee look after several programs that help the community come together, including the craft workshop held every Friday from 10am until 12pm – the ladies learn how to knit or crochet, and then donate their pieces to Need for Feed, flood

victims, and the homeless.

Thelma Kyval invites the community to come along and enjoy a morning chat, develop some new craft skills, and help those in need. "We create blankets and jumpers, beanies and scarves – as well as baby clothes, anything that may be in high demand that can help all stay warm over winter."

"After our workshop, we then gather for a weekly luncheon – we're a lovely bunch and anyone is invited to join," said Thelma.

Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre is supported by Rotary Club of Inverloch who generously donate gift bags for those in need – consisting of everyday toiletry basics, and the volunteer committee also have 'share the dignity' bags available that are complete with women's hygiene essentials.

"We have fresh produce provided by The Cape community garden, as well as seasonal vegetables from The Harvest Centre here in Wonthaggi – everything is donated to help the community get by," said Leslie.

The committee are focused on providing care all year round, but especially during this cost-of-living crisis.

They are well supported by Foodbank Victoria who help feed the community by delivery bread and milk, and non-perishable foods to support those in need.

So, to help you ease the financial pressure during this crisis, visit the volunteers at Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House on 6 Murray Street, Wonthaggi or donate today.



Fran has been a volunteer in PICAL's pantry and cooking club for over two years, providing fresh produce and homemade meals to individuals and families in need. Z02_2523



Savana, Hayley and Felicity volunteer their time every Tuesday in the PICAL pantry to assist the community through the cost-of-living crisis. Z01_2523

PICAL getting to those in need through the cost-of-living crisis

AFTER the pandemic caused financial pressure to an infinite number of households, the Phillip Island Community and Learning Centre (PICAL) saw the ebbs and flows of demand to the community pantry and cooking club, and unfortunately the cost-of-living crisis is overflowing that demand.

The volunteers at PICAL are seeing the public foregoing decent food during this time just to survive, and instead of asking for assistance, people are going without three meals a day or having to make the difficult choice between heating and eating this winter.

The local supermarkets on Phillip Island are generously supplying fresh produce, meat, non-perishable foods, female hygiene items, and baby supplies to PICAL so their volunteers can provide individuals and families with their weekly needs.

Centre Manager Greg Thompson said they are so grateful for the local support from every supermarket, church and volunteer service that help us provide

the community with the necessities they need to get through this cost-of-living crisis.

"At PICAL we are here for everyone, in every circumstance – for those who are fleeing family violence, experiencing homelessness, or struggling to make ends meet."

Unfortunately, during this crisis PICAL are seeing employees in unpredictable casual employment, and without wages going up whilst everyday costs are rising – those working still can't put food on the table.

There is a constant ripple effect from interest rate rises to the rental crisis, but the volunteers are putting up their hands at PICAL and standing by those who need it most. The community rallied together during the pandemic and their doing the same today, with volunteer numbers increasing to help the public get through this difficult time.

The Phillip Island community are working together to close the financial gap and support each other in this dire time. "We combine our work to ensure no one falls through the cracks, and PICAL is working closely with Foodbank to increase the food relief if and when the demand mounts."

If you or someone you know is feeling the financial pressure of the cost-of-living crisis visit the PICAL pantry at 16 Warley Avenue, Cowes or if you are in the position to donate please call 5952 1131.

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South Gippsland Shire Council News Youth Council

Get in quick to register your expression of interest for the South Gippsland Youth Council!

The South Gippsland Youth Council (SGYC) is an initiative led by young people who want to represent the voice of the youth who live, work/ or study in South Gippsland.

Being part of SGYC is a fantastic opportunity to develop your skills in areas such as advocacy, project management, media and communications, as well as build upon your leadership skills. Do not miss out on the opportunity to hone in on your skills whilst making a difference through:

- Providing a means for youth to engage with different people, gather feedback, and suggest innovations to the South Gippsland Shire Council, other levels of government and the community.
- Identifying key issues relating to young people in South Gippsland and actively participating in the development of strategies to address them.

You will also have the opportunity to:

- Improve the life of South Gippsland's young people just like you.
- Lend your voice so key decision-makers in the community hear from young people.

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Expressions of interest close midnight 30 June 2023.

If you know someone aged 14 to 24 who loves standing up for their peers? Who knows the struggles facing their generation and is willing to be part of the change. Do not let them miss out on the opportunity to expand their wealth of knowledge as part of the South Gippsland Youth Council.

To register an expression of interest, please go to: southgippsland.vic.gov.au/youth

2024 Kindergarten Registration



Enrolments for funded three-year-old and four-year-old Kindergarten will close at midnight on Friday 30 June.

Late enrolments will still be accepted but will not be eligible to receive a first round offer.

Parents and carers who have not yet enrolled their children are encouraged to get in quick to meet the June deadline.

To register go to:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesday 28 June 2.00pm
(Council Chambers, Leongatha)

Dates are also listed on Council's website at:

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To watch the 'open' part of the meeting live or when it suits you, visit:

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CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Wednesday 28 June 2023 from 5.45pm
(for a 6.00pm start)

ARTCUBES IN LOCH

ArtCubes have commenced their tour around the South Gippsland region.

Now situated in Loch and showcasing the talents of photographer Paul Robinson and painter's Kath Quinert and Jo Quirk.

To see who will be making use of the ArtCubes over the coming week, head to: visitsouthgippsland.com.au/artcubes/

TREE PLANTING PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in getting a tree planted on their nature strip. Our allocations for this year have been exhausted.

More details will be available soon on next year's program.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM FOR YOUR GROUP WORKSHOP

Join us for an informative session on how to choose the best social media platform for your group.

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National audience for shire's turbines' plea

THE South Gippsland Shire Council was on a mission when they went to the Australian Local Government Association's National General Assembly in Canberra last week.

When governments and companies are introducing major projects in local areas, they said, or where local communities are heavily impacted, they want a set of rules established for minimum standards of consultation.

And where the rolling out of massive offshore wind projects and associated power lines are concerned, this simply hasn't happened to the proper standard.

At the main ALGA conference session, where hundreds of motions from many of the 537 councils around Australia were voted on, South Gippsland put up two motions that both received approval; one calling for minimum consultation requirements for major projects and another calling on the government to 'introduce road betterment with disaster funding' so that roads aren't simply replaced after disasters, but 'improved to a more resilient standard'.

"Using funds through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements, it's an opportunity not to just fix the roads impacted by storms and flooding in particular in our area, but to make good use of that money by improving the roads to a better standard," said South Gippsland CEO Kerryn Ellis.

The Mayor Cr Nathan Hersey continued his campaign for better consultation, not only with the motion to the ALGA General Assembly, but also in meetings with Catherine King MP, the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government and Senator Bridget McKenzie, the Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development.

"As well as speaking with Senator McKenzie about the need for consultation on offshore wind and the power infrastructure, we also raised some local issues for Saputo and Burra Foods, which are important to their processing operations at Leongatha and Korumburra."



South Gippsland Shire Council's delegation to the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly, Mayor Cr Nathan Hersey, CEO Kerryn Ellis and Deputy Mayor Cr Clare Williams met with President of the ALGA Cr Linda Scott.

Cr Hersey said the ALGA National Assembly and the 2023 Australian Council of Local Government meeting on Friday last week, the first time it had been held in 10 years, was an important opportunity to focus attention on issues being faced by Local Government, with the Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, the Minister for Local Government Catherine King and the Opposition Leader Peter Dutton among those attending and speaking at either the assembly or the ACLG meeting which followed.

South Gippsland Deputy Mayor, Cr Clare Williams, who also attended the conference said a session on the importance of financial stability for councils, one about the future for local government and another on change management made the trip worthwhile.

As well as the focus the roads betterment policy and community consultation about major projects, Ms Ellis the opportunity to meet with other people in local government across Australia and hear what they are doing well, was invaluable.

Jupiter Boulevard works commenced

WORK has commenced on Jupiter Street in Venus Bay to improve the streetscape and to make it safer and more pedestrian friendly.

President of the Tarwin Lower - Venus Bay Tourism & Local Commerce Association (TALC) Bruce Leonard, said the streetscape will create a more pedestrian friendly centre, particularly in the busier summer months.

"It will answer a lot of concerns residents have had, mainly related to safety interestingly enough," Bruce said.

The plans have been in the pipeline for the last few years but got the go ahead in South Gippsland Shire Councils

budget plans in May.

TALC has displayed the streetscape plans outside the Venus Bay general store for locals and tourists alike to see the proposed result of the redevelopment.

Work will include footpath and road reconstruction including improved curb and drainage and new energy efficient streetlighting.

The work will redevelop and extend pathways to link key places within the town, including the park, shops, caravan park and community centre.

A zebra crossing and pedestrian island will allow pedestrians to cross the road more safely and the speed zone will

drop from fifty to forty in the commercial precinct area.

Parking will be reconfigured, and more spots will be made available at shop frontages.

Additional shaded and landscaped public spaces with more seating will provide enjoyable resting places for people in the hotter months.

Local contractors BJ's Earthmoving will be carrying out the works, with the tender accepted and approved by council, at a cost of \$1.72 million.

These works will continue throughout winter and depending on weather are to be completed by September/October this year.

Mayor's Message



Cr Nathan Hersey



Canberra Visit

Along with the Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive Officer, our visit last week to Canberra was a great success.

The Australian Local Government Association delegates unanimously passed two motions presented by South Gippsland Shire Council.

The first of these motions calls on governments to allow for road betterment after a disaster, such as flooding or a landslip. Currently when receiving disaster funding, we must restore roads and bridges to the way they were before any damage. This simply does not address the ongoing issues. Our motion asked for not just repair, but improving roads impacted by disaster so they become more resilient in the future.

The second motion was calling for minimum consultation requirements for the Commonwealth Government and Departments around projects that achieve 'Major Project' status, such as the declared offshore wind zone off the Gippsland coast. It's not acceptable that governments can choose to take the approach of 'this is happening to your community, get used to it'.

We also took the opportunity to meet with the Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories the Honourable Kristy McBain MP; Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories the Honourable Darren Chester MP; Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development the Honourable Bridget McKenzie MP; and heard from many inspiring presenters at the Australian Local Government Associations 2023 National General Assembly.

We have continued to advocate for the use of the Barry Beach port in developing the offshore wind industry and in the operations and maintenance, funding for roads and other community infrastructure, and emergency management and mitigation. These are advocacy priorities that Council adopted last year and are all key to the continued development of our region.

Having positive relationships with our State and Federal colleagues, and clearly advocating for our local needs can and will make a difference to South Gippsland.

The work that is being done in this space allows us to put South

Gippsland front of mind when decisions are being made at the highest levels.

Men's Health Week

This year's Men's Health Week theme focused on loneliness. With 43 per cent of Australian men feeling lonely, it is a great time to consider reaching out to men in your life and social circles and asking them how they are doing. This could be a great opportunity to make the time for a catch up.

Men often overlook basic indicators of changes in health and are less likely to seek professional help. If you know someone who may need to go for a check-up or need some other support, make sure you let them know that you are concerned. Give them a gentle nudge and encouragement to do something about it.

I encourage all men in our community to remember the power of 'silly talk'. There's significant value in spending time with others and just talking rubbish, without the pressure of talking about work, finances, or life's pressures.

Children and Families Plan

The opportunity to have your say on the Children and Families Plan has been extended until Friday 23 June. This is the perfect chance for those with children under 12 years to let us know what services you are using and what we made need to be doing better at.

To have your say, please visit: <https://yoursay.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/early-years>

Kindergarten Registrations

Registrations for 2024 three- and four-year-old kindergarten close soon.

If you haven't already done so, please register your first-round preferences by Friday 30 June to ensure you have the best chance at getting the place you need. To complete your registration, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment

Street Tree Planting

Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in having a tree planted on your nature strip. Our allocations for tree planting this year have been exhausted.

More details will be available soon on how to request a tree in next year's street tree planting program.



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Yarram fire station finally funded

THE LONG wait is almost over for Yarram with confirmation that funding for a new fire station has been secured in the State Budget.

The Nationals Member for Gippsland South, Danny O'Brien said he was thrilled to know the money was finally on the table for this crucial project.

"This project has been shovel-ready for years with a parcel of land purchased on Commercial Road back in 2016," Mr O'Brien said.

"I took the opportunity during recent Public Accounts and Estimates Committee (PAEC) hearings to confirm with the Minister for Emergency Services that the \$34.22 million allocated to emergency services in this year's budget included funding to allow for works to finally commence on the rebuild of the Yarram Fire Station.

"This is great news for the Yarram community and in particular for the local volunteers who have been forced to make-do with a sub-standard facility for far too long." The Nationals committed funds to the rebuild of the Yarram Fire Station prior to the 2018 election, but unfortunately this was not matched by the State Government at the time.

Mr O'Brien said that it was past time for the State Government to make CFA volunteers a priority and also took the opportunity to ensure that the Minister was aware that Foster and Mirboo North were in urgent need of rebuilds.

"These fire stations are too small and expose our hard-working emergency service volunteers to unnecessary risk.

"They simply weren't made to house modern fire trucks or address the health and safety needs of our volunteers and should be rebuilt."

Skate community up in arms

THE Bass Coast Shire Council's Skate Park Strategy is out and was adopted by council at last month's council meeting, but the skating community aren't overly happy with the results.

As Cr Bruce Kent mentioned in the meeting, the community will be 'bitterly disappointed' and that they were.

Despite being in favour of the current Kilcunda skate park project that is underway and due for completion in September of this year, the locals of Newhaven, Cape Woolamai and San Remo feel short changed. Sharing their disappointment with council's decision was local Bucky Hamer who has been lobbying for a competition skatepark for over 10 years.

"I want to share that I am so happy that Kilcunda are getting their park and they probably wouldn't have if it wasn't for our continuous voice standing up for the skating community, but the need for a competitive skatepark still remains."

Bucky explained that the kids that were skating when he started raising awareness around the issue are all grown up now, and they've had to travel out of town to skate for their entire childhood. He didn't think it would still be the case for the next generation.

To be heard by council 10 years ago, Bucky had a community of over 2000 members behind him - a group known as 4shore Sk8 writing to council to keep their voice heard, in hopes of getting a 'regional' skate park for competition level skaters.



The artists impression of the site overview of the Grayden's Reserve concept design 2020 had the community excited for what was to come.

But all that noise seems to be ignored.

In 2018, Bass MP Jordan Crugnale announced \$650,000 for the 'regional' skatepark in San Remo and despite the project falling due to the location being unsuitable, council picked the project up and the Grayden's Reserve concept design was launched - a design that had the skating community excited for what's to come.

The project would have included a junior bowl, an intermediate bowl, and a feature bowl - an all-inclusive skatepark that invited all levels of skaters to challenge their skills. The design still considered the playground for all ages and the communal areas for the public to be close to amenities.

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With overwhelming support for the project - it then collapsed due to the size of the design.

Bucky said a well-designed

skate park should be able to accommodate equal amount of use for challenge and fun - allowing skaters to build on their skillset, but with the 'sub-regional' and local design there will just be a limit to what can be achieved and that's disappointing.

"Council downgraded the regional skatepark instead of looking into what the community needed, there should have been a street inspired element and a transition bowl."

Community member Troy Joyner has been campaigning with Bucky for many years, just trying to get the council's attention on the matter - and before this strategy was released, they were asking council to at least meet them in the middle.

With the new local design for Newhaven that will go out to community consultation, Deputy Mayor Cr Rochelle Halstead

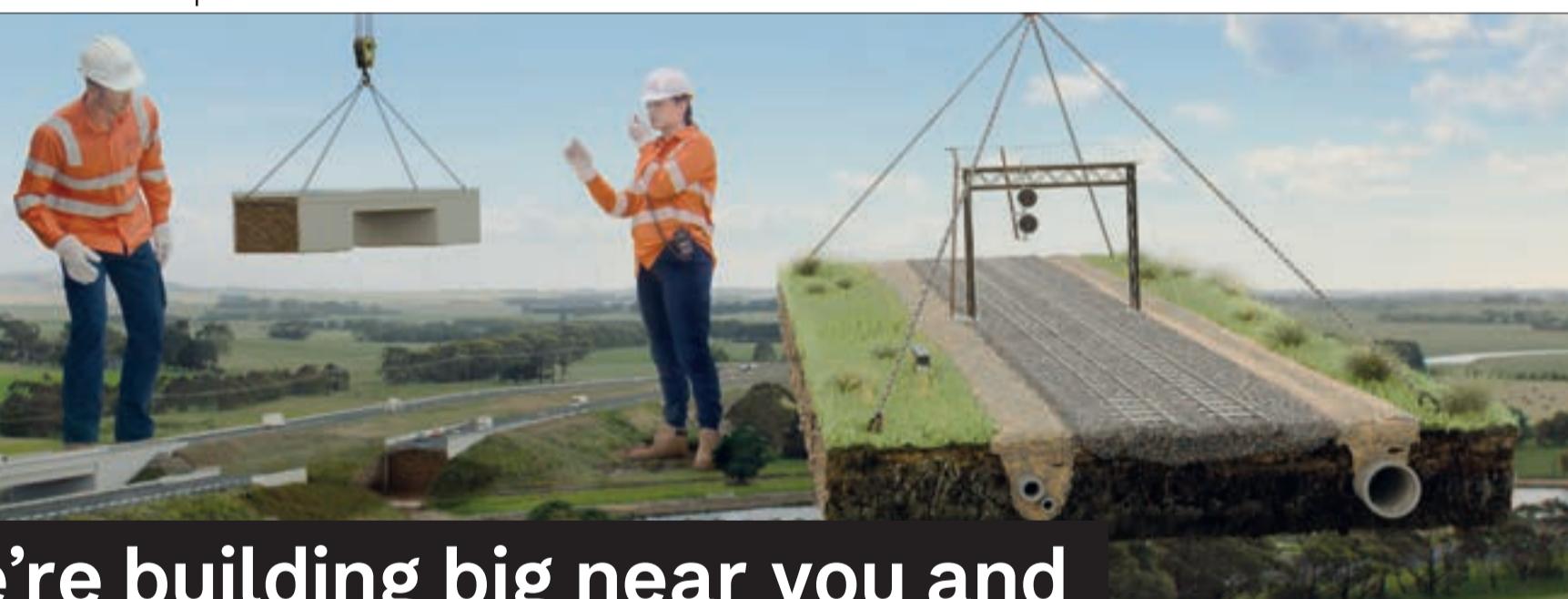
is urging all the community to put in their feedback.

Troy explained that each generation wants to be able to travel to their skatepark safely.

"The skate strategy produced by the Bass Coast Shire Council using their own research and findings back in 2018, showed urgent need for a skate facility to service our growing and high tourism area of Newhaven and San Remo.

"They stated it would need to meet the needs of not just beginners but the entire skate community, all the way through to advanced skaters to allow for progression, with an aim to have it completed by 2023 at the latest."

Now five years on and over a decade of community dedication and campaigning, the skate community will continue to stand up and advocate for the future of skating.



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TS Constructions of Wonthaggi has taken out one of the major awards at the Master Builders Association of Victoria annual (south east) awards and will now go forward to the state finals in August with their stunning project the Newhaven College Performing Arts Centre, the award collected by TS Constructions director, Trevor Bowler with Master Builders Victoria CEO, Michaela Lihou and major residential builder award winner Brendan Jones.

TS Constructions through to state building awards

WONTHAGGI-based builder, TS Constructions, has won through to the Master Builders Association of Victoria (MBV) 'Excellence in Construction Awards' in Melbourne on August 11 by taking out a top award at the MBV's South-East region awards last Friday night at Lardner Park.

They were named 2023 MBV Regional Commercial Builder of the Year for the stunning success of their Newhaven College Performing Arts Centre projects.

And along the way, they also won the best Commercial Building award over \$6M, for the Newhaven College project, and the best Commercial Building award \$3M-\$6M for Our Lady Star of the Sea School at Cowes.

The other major award on the night, the 2023 MBV Regional Residential Builder of the Year (South-East) went to Brendan

Jones Building, for a house in Traralgon.

The two top awards were among 21 awards for display homes, custom homes, commercial buildings, and renovations and additions announced at a gala dinner at Lardner Park on Friday night in front of more than 150 guests.

Other local award winners included:

- Harris Build of San Remo (Best Custom Home \$300,000-\$400,000 (Project: Cape Paterson) and Best Sustainable Home (Project: Cape Woolamai).
- SJ Vuillermin Master Builders of Sandy Point Best Commercial Buildings under \$1M - (Project Fish Creek Catholic Church, Fish Creek.

Master Builders Victoria CEO, Michaela Lihou congratulated the major winners on their outstanding successes, saying they epitomised the very best of the

talent and commitment of the Victorian building industry.

"To recognise so many outstanding projects that have been undertaken in these awards is truly heartening and a huge accolade to our regional building community," she said.

"Our warmest congratulations to all our winners and finalists, especially to the teams from Brendan Jones Building and TS Constructions!"

The ABV judges were effusive in their praise of the top TS Constructions project.

"The winning commercial project, the renovation of the Newhaven College Performing Arts Centre, called for innovative and interesting combinations, rather the usual stereotypical school buildings.

"Unconventional choices, bright colours, new double-glazed windows which maximise light and minimise thermal intrusion and provide a

visual appeal both internally and externally, all combine to deliver a stunning result."

TS wasted no time getting the good news out to its staff, clients and friends on social media.

"TS Constructions is thrilled to announce we have just won the 2023 MBV Regional Commercial Builder of the Year for our project the Newhaven College Performing Arts Centre.

"Congratulations to everyone involved in this and all our other projects."

Newhaven College, has in turn, congratulated TS, while also enjoying the recognition for what isn't just a beautiful building but one that boasts the latest in performing arts technology and has already proved to be highly practical and adaptable across a broad range of every-day school requirements, but also for performance events.

Next steps for Coronet Bay park

THE council is set to adopt the Fred Gration Reserve Open Space Master Plan at its meeting this Wednesday, detailing a list of major improvements for "the key recreational and community hub" at Coronet Bay.

Although the council will have to go out for grant funding to achieve the proposed program of works, the renewal of the basketball court and play space have existing capital allocations within Council's long-term financial plan.

Other elements of the overall plan have will be suitable for construction through existing developer contributions allocated to Coronet Bay.

Key actions in the final draft master plan include creation of a picnic space with inclusion of a barbecue facility, more shelter at the community garden, a new play space with a fitness area, replacement of the basketball court with a multi-use space which may include netball, cricket, a tennis hit up wall and pickleball.

A standalone shed and a separate shelter over the existing table at the Community Garden and drainage works are also proposed.

The community is also keen to embed sustainability elements into the master plan where possible, identifying potential water harvesting and solar power opportunities for the community garden. There was also a push for more trees at the reserve which will help to achieve the Council's target to increase urban forest cover to 40% across the shire's townships by 2040.

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Funds for kinder inclusion

CHILDREN with a disability, developmental delay and additional or special needs will get even more assistance to learn and thrive at kinder through State Government funding.

Minister for Early Childhood and Pre Prep, Ingrid Stitt announced \$18.1 million over four years as part of the Victorian Budget 2023/24.

This funding will help make early learning more accessible, easier and more fun with a new approach to inclusion in kindergartens, through strength-based learning plans, new needs assessments and education approaches which more closely align with the Disability Inclusion reforms for schools.

Children with additional needs will be further supported to learn alongside their peers with specialised equipment, including standing frames and hoists continuing to be available at no cost to kindergartens, under an extension of the successful Kindergarten Inclusion Support Specialised Equipment program.

The \$18.1 million package will also streamline applications and assessments under the Kindergarten Inclusion Support program.

The investment also boosts the number of Pre-School Field Officers (PSFO), who are highly experienced professionals that work with early childhood teaching teams.

The PSFOs will be placed in high-growth areas of the state to provide inclusive programs for children with additional needs to learn, contribute and grow at kinder.



Savneet Dhillon gets a delicious lamb curry ready for a busy weekend. A08_2523



Tandoori chef Sandeep Singh is creative and enthusiastic, with his expert use of the tandoor imparting delicious flavours. A07_2523

Authentic and truly delicious

LEONGATHA'S Punjabi Pantry offers authentic Indian food prepared by owner Savneet Dhillon, who focuses on curries, and his tandoori chef Sandeep Singh, a recent arrival from India who brings at least five years' experience in five star hotels.

Having opened in late February, the restaurant has already developed a loyal clientele within Leongatha and surrounding towns, but Savneet is keen to get the word out to others not yet aware of what it has to offer or unsure whether to try Indian food.

"I want people to give it a go," he said, saying some are concerned the food will be overpowered by chilli, but that is not the case.

While those wanting extra heat can request it, Savneet said his aim is to ensure people

savour a broad range of spices, both their flavours and aromas.

Curries are prepared the day before serving, cooked then refrigerated, to allow flavours to become more pronounced and meat even more tender.

The tandoor, a clay oven, reaches around 300 degrees centigrade, imparting a delicious smoky taste to meat and other foods cooked in it, with that including breads, with the meats marinated for at least 48 hours before cooking.

Everything served at Punjabi Pantry is prepared onsite using fresh ingredients.

Savneet has been a Leongatha local for seven years, having moved to Australia as a student in the late 1990s and having always worked in hospitality, including at Melbourne's famous Windsor Hotel.

"This is my passion, the

cooking," he said, adding he has dreamed of opening an Indian restaurant for the last 10 years but hasn't previously had the time due to other businesses he has been running.

He is excited to provide his local community with flavoursome food, saying the Indian cuisine served in Australia can sometimes be bland.

Butter chicken is one of the popular choices at Punjabi Pantry, with Savneet outlining why it is so tasty.

"We make it with fresh tomatoes pureed, with honey, cashews, and all the spices," he said, noting that dish has its own special sauce.

Such is the commitment to fresh food, the restaurant uses an average of 100 kilos of onions and 60 kilos of tomatoes each week. For those dining in with one or more companions,

a set menu is a great way to sample a variety of dishes.

Savneet is proud that each of the restaurant's menu options has a unique flavour.

He spoke of Sandeep's commitment to preparing high quality and delightful food.

"He's creative and enthusiastic and doesn't take any short cuts, saying 'That's how we do it in India,'" Savneet said.

The restaurant owner is delighted with the support he has received from the local community.

Punjabi Pantry opens at 4.30pm every day but Monday, with the option to dine in or order takeaway, and the kitchen is open until 8.30pm.

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Networking a feature of Bass Mayor's trip to Canberra

A TRIP to Canberra in the past week for the Bass Coast Shire Council Mayor Cr Michael Whelan and Deputy Mayor Cr Rochelle Halstead yielded ideas, information, networking, and a meeting with the Prime Minister Anthony Albanese.

It was the Australian Local Government Association's National General Assembly at the National Convention Centre, from June Tuesday, June 13 to Thursday, June 15 with many of Australia's 537 municipalities represented.

"I thought the session with Saul Griffith was one of the best I attended," said Cr Whelan.

"He spoke about the rollout of renewable energy projects around Australia, including offshore, the need to go hard on electrifying everything, and the importance of communicating with local government and local communities.

"I even got a chance to have a chat with him afterwards and get a selfie with him," said Cr Whelan.

An Australian educated engineer and renewable energies specialist, Saul Griffith is one of our most successful exports to Silicon Valley where he has set up numerous technology companies after graduating with a PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

An advisor to governments and several Fortune 500 companies he was the founder and chief scientist at Rewiring America and has since set up Rewiring Australia, a non-profit, independent organisation dedicated to education, communication and advocacy around the benefits of the mass adoption of electrification by homes and businesses as a way to address climate change, while at the same time generating jobs, economic benefits and cost savings for households and business.



Bass Coast Shire Council Mayor Cr Michael Whelan and Deputy Mayor Cr Rochelle Halstead chat with Melissa Attia, Director Corporate Performance at Cumberland City Council, at the ALGA conference in Canberra last Thursday.

Cr Halstead was interested in sessions about managing change and a breakout session for the peri-urban councils around Australia, those like Bass Coast dealing with the impact from a big neighbouring city.

"One of the best things about coming to an event like this is meeting with the representatives from other councils. We have a lot of things in common, of course, but there are others who have developed innovative responses to common problems for local government," said Cr Halstead.

But one of the highlights of the week came at the Australian Council of Local Government conference, also in Canberra on Friday, when Crs Whelan and Halstead were among a number of council representatives who met with the Prime Minister Anthony Albanese.

They also caught up with local MP Russell Broadbent.

All-in-all a successful trip to Canberra, sure to be reported on at this Wednesday's June council meeting.

Bass petition late to the party

A PETITION signed by 104 people, objecting to the rezoning of land for rural-residential development at Bass, is set to get short shrift from the local council.

According to a report to this Wednesday's Bass Coast Shire Council meeting, the petition does not comply with Section 55.7 of the Governance Rules because the signatures don't appear on the page with the text of the plea.

The issue will however be dealt with later in the meeting.

Cost of fixing shire's 410 buildings

THE Bass Coast Council's 410 buildings are valued at \$108.7 million replacement cost and based on the most recent independent condition audit, 73% of building components are in good or very good condition.

But, at its council meeting this week, councillors are set to acknowledge that more needs to be done to properly maintain the buildings.

Based on minimum modern maintenance standards, the funding requirement would be \$1 million in addition to the existing funding of \$600,000 per annum.

Currently Council has allocated \$42 million toward building renewal in its long-term plan over the next 10 years (2023-2033) which is expected to be sufficient to enable the building portfolio to achieve the required level of service.

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With the end of the Financial Year just days away and tax benefits to be claimed, Ace is offering terrific deals, with the range and prices of Kincrome toolkits showing why the business has earned a reputation as an industrial superstore.

Brave Little Penguin bounces back after expert wildlife care

A BRAVE Little Penguin found with bite marks on his leg leaving him unable to be swim has been saved and rehabilitated by Phillip Island Nature Parks and Wildlife Victoria.

The little trooper was finally released back into the ocean after six weeks of care.

'Red' was rescued by Wildlife Victoria Emergency Response Service on Friday, April 7, at Shelley Beach on Phillip Island.

Wildlife Victoria's travelling vet team performed emergency surgery on the penguin and was placed into 24hr intensive care.

Red was then transferred to Phillip Island Wildlife Rehabilitation Clinic for ongoing care.

While the initial surgery saved the penguin's life, a bald area of scar tissue affected his ability to grow the waterproof feathers he needed to survive in the ocean.

More surgery on April 27 at Newhaven Veterinary Clinic followed to fix the issue.

Nature Parks' Wildlife Rehabilitation Clinic manager Kim Noy said after intense rehabilitation, Red is preparing for his release.

"After several weeks in recovery, he was swim tested and found to be fully waterproof. At the Wildlife Clinic, little penguins must be able to swim for three hours and still have dry feathers to be ideal for release back into the wild," Ms Noy said.

After six weeks Red had his final weigh-in, feed, and swim and was released back to the ocean.

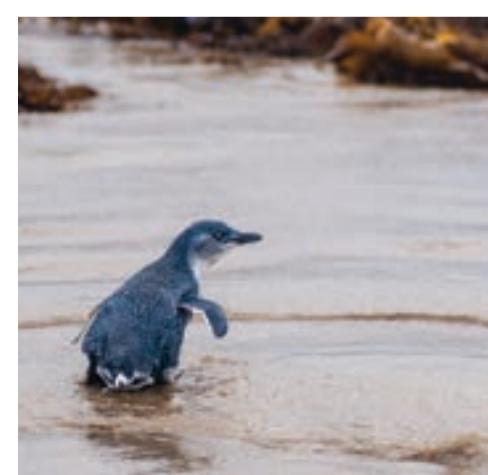
"Adult little penguins are released on the beach into the ocean. With the help Red received from Wildlife Victoria and our rehabilitation clinic, he is well prepared to find the other penguins out at sea and re-join the group," Ms Noy said.

The Phillip Island Wildlife Rehabilitation opened in 2011 and is funded through Phillip Island Nature Parks eco-tourism activities and the Penguin Foundation adopt a penguin program.

Wildlife Victoria is the state's wildlife Emergency Response Service and is currently raising funds to meet a 15 per cent year-on-year increase.



Wildlife Victoria's travelling vet team performed emergency surgery on the penguin. Photo: Wildlife Victoria



The rehabilitated Little Penguin was successfully released back into the ocean. Photo: Phillip Island Nature Parks

Cream cheese delight from Korumburra to Asia

SOARING demand for cream cheese in Asia drove Burra Foods' initiative to establish a production plant for the product, with the facility now producing between 15 and 20 tonnes of delicious and versatile cream cheese per day.

The impressive modern plant, housed in a revamped old building, took approximately 12 months to build, with that process beginning in November 2021.

There was a commitment to using local businesses, a philosophy Burra Foods subscribes to whenever possible.

Leongatha company, C & L Stainless did all the mechanical installation, with another local business GDR Electrical Services handling the electrical installation, while world-renowned dairy company GEA provided a lot of the equipment and expertise.

Commissioning of the new facility took place throughout November and December last year, with production beginning to be ramped up from mid to late January this year.

The businesses' marketing manager Lauren Hamilton said the process of building the plant and getting it into operation was impressively quick.

Production manager Matt Murnane was the project manager for the plant, involved in the building and commissioning processes.

He outlined the stringent requirements to bring the cream



Burra Foods marketing manager Lauren Hamilton in the cream cheese production plant. A02_2523

cheese plant into service, saying that included flushing, washing and getting it approved by Dairy Food Safety Victoria to run product for sale.

From there it was a case of "gradually ramping up production volumes to make customer samples," Matt said.

The facility is split into two parts.

"There's the critical hygiene area in which we make the cream cheese, where we ferment the milk and then separate the curd and the whey," Matt said.

The second part involves the cream cheese being put into bags, which are packed into boxes and transferred to the cool room.

Lauren elaborated on the spike in demand for cream cheese in

Asia.

"There's a huge demand in Southeast Asia and Asia for cream cheese products now because of the growing café culture," she said.

That includes use in elaborate drink toppings, including for bubble teas, as well as helping meet the growing popularity of cheesecakes.

She said the dramatic market transformation has occurred over the past two or three years.

Lauren elaborated that French-style patisseries have become increasingly popular in China.

"The customer base is predominantly China, Japan and then parts of Southeast Asia," she said.

"There is real demand for the taste of our dairy products in China."

While the focus so far has been mainly on establishing export markets, Matt said samples have recently been provided to the local market, with a local customer in the food service industry currently trialling Burra's cream cheese.

Early in the trialling phase, just prior to last Christmas, around 400 kilos of the product were airfreighted to China, with a comparable delivery to Japan.

Lauren said potential customers trial the product in a range of applications, with orders flowing from there.

Having savoured a cream cheese sample fresh off the production line, this scribe is happy to endorse the product.



Robbie Baldry-Short takes a sample during cream cheese production. A01_2523

Robbie's move to Burra Foods smooth as cream cheese

ROBBIE Baldry-Short is glad he made the career shift from diesel fitter to working for Burra Foods where he is now a process operator in the still new cream cheese plant.

He was working in the city during the pandemic, prompting a shift to working locally, and a friend employed at Burra introduced him to the company.

Robbie started in a casual food preparation role for six months, then becoming full-time and working in the Cream Treatment Unit producing high fat cream for export, before swapping to the cream cheese section a couple of months ago.

He said it was a smooth transition to his current responsibilities.

Robbie outlined the challenging nature of the role that ensures he is always on the ball.

"It's testing at the correct time to make sure the product

is right to go from pasteurising to packing," he said of the need to monitor the entire cream cheese production process.

He said monitoring includes ensuring that product in the tanks is at the right temperature and PH levels throughout the process, from pasteurisation through to splitting curds and whey.

Cream cheese production is a good fit for Robbie.

"I've always liked cream cheese, particularly in dips," he said, enthusing about a sweet chilli and bacon dip he recently enjoyed in which Burra cream cheese was the star ingredient.

Production manager Matt Murnane said Robbie is always keen to learn and picks up knowledge quickly.

"His attitude is probably what has given him those opportunities," Matt said of Robbie's impressive progress, noting nothing is too hard for him.

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This is especially true if you spend much time in dry indoor heat. Our bodies are made of 70 per cent water, which keeps our cells plump and healthy. If you're not drinking enough, your body (and your skin) get dehydrated, which can make you look and feel shrivelled. Avoid caffeinated drinks, which will make you lose even more water. Instead, stick to water, soup, decaf coffee and tea, and herbal tea.

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Sue Rivers at the Fish Creek property on which she and husband Bruce Thompson want to develop a residence and winery.

Fish Creek planning stoush

FISH Creek property owner Bruce Thompson says he and his wife Sue Rivers were led to believe South Gippsland Shire Council planning staff would recommend approval of their application for a combined winery and residence at 570 Soldiers Road, if they adapted their plans to meet specific written recommendations, arguing council reneged on its commitment.

At May's public council meeting, councillors voted to issue a Notice of Refusal for the use and development of the land for the specified purposes, therefore denying a permit for the intended project, with that decision consistent with the recommendation before them.

Mr Thompson provided the *Sentinel-Times* with a copy of a letter written by a shire Senior Statutory Planning Officer, which he says is evidence the couple were led to believe that if they altered plans as requested, council staff would recommend approval of their application.

The letter, which also refers to a fellow council officer, was sent to the couple's planner, Alison Milner of Milner Planning Advisory, after their permit application was advertised.

It read:

Hi Alison,

Thank you for meeting us on site last week, it was very beneficial to see.

The officer (name removed) and myself have discussed the application in detail and for Council to recommend approval for the application, the following changes to the plans are required:

- Staging plan amended so that vineyards are planted and established on site and the manufacturing shed constructed and completed prior to the dwelling being occupied.*

- The proposed dwelling is amended to a single storey form with a maximum roof/apex height that is no taller than the maximum height of the buildings on the neighbouring lot to the east of the subject site. It is recommended that a streetscape elevation of the subject site and the neighbouring lot is provided with a perspective shown from the public realm (Soldiers Road).*

South Gippsland Shire Council CEO Kerryn Ellis concedes the wording of such letters may require tweaking in future but disputes the applicants' argument that it was a guarantee the application would be recommended for approval if the specified advice was followed.

She said it is common practice for would-be applicants

coming to council to be encouraged to meet with planners prior to submitting an application, with the intention being to help people lodge the best quality application possible and to enable them to understand any potential issues or hurdles.

"That certainly does not mean that there's any guarantee that the application will be approved," Ms Ellis said.

Asked specifically about the letter, Ms Ellis stated her position.

While she said she wouldn't address the planning advice provided as she is not a planner, the CEO discussed the sentence that included, 'For Council to recommend approval for the application, the following changes to the plans are required'.

"The way I interpret that sentence is for it to even be considered for approval you would need to address these things; I don't think the intent is to say there is any guarantee that the application would be approved," Ms Ellis said.

"I think it's more than reasonable that the planner has pointed out to them what the concerns are with the application that was originally submitted."

Ms Ellis stressed that the letter should not be viewed in isolation.

"There have been many conversations between our planning staff and the applicants, so lots of advice had been provided to make it clear that there were a number of concerns with the application," she said.

Principal of S & K Planning Lawyers Megan Schroor, acting on behalf of the applicants, argues in a letter to council that her clients acted on all advice provided by council officers, adjusting the design of the building and the staging plan as requested.

"To learn now that Council's planning officers have recommended that their application be refused on grounds which they had understood had been resolved to the officers' satisfaction some time ago is not only disappointing but has resulted in our clients incurring significant additional costs," Ms Schroor states.

She said those costs arose through responding to the officers' specific concerns, on the explicit understanding that addressing those concerns would lead to a recommendation of support.

Ms Ellis said the applicants were familiar with the planning process, having had a previous permit application for a similar project denied by VCAT and that all factors needed to be considered before council officers could make a recommendation.

The applicants have 60 days from the date of the Notice of Refusal to appeal the decision at VCAT.

Shire disputes accusation of discrimination

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council is adamant discrimination was not a factor in its decision to issue a Notice of Refusal for the use and development of land at 570 Soldiers Road Fish Creek for a winery and dwelling, after councillors voted last month to support a recommendation not to approve the planning application.

While councillors and council staff consider a dwelling is not required to operate the proposed winery, Melbourne scientist Bruce Thompson and his psychologist wife Sue Rivers have since lashed out at council through an article in the *Herald Sun*.

In it they argue Ms Rivers, who is confined to a wheelchair, would need to be able to stay on the property overnight due to an unspecified condition.

"My condition includes significant fatigue, and being able to reside there is critical to managing myself as well as the farm," Ms Rivers is quoted as saying.

In the article, Mr Thompson unleashes on council, saying it "knowingly discriminated against a person with a disability", and he repeated that claim during an interview on ABC Gippsland radio.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Nathan Hersey spoke to the *Sentinel-Times* about the recent planning decision process followed by the current council in deciding to issue a Notice of Refusal.

"We don't look at who the applicant is; we look at the merits of the application," Cr Hersey said.

Council has expressed concerns about two partially constructed buildings on the property.

It deems both buildings, constructed by the current landowners who have owned the property for nine years, to now be 'illegal' due to planning and building permits having expired.

A permit was granted in February 2015 for development of the land for two agricultural buildings and associated works, with an 18-month extension of time given in March 2017 allowing the development to start by August 2018.

Council states that while construction began prior to that date, it was not completed by February 2020 as required, resulting in the expiration of the planning permit.

Mr Thompson acknowledges

that, saying life circumstances changed causing a delay in completing construction, arguing that does not make the buildings illegal.

Furthermore, council stresses that while both buildings were approved as farm sheds only, work was carried out on one for it to be used as a dwelling.

Mr Thompson argues that is not the case despite the building's large number of windows and timber floor.

A previous permit application for a dwelling and winery, deemed similar to the recent one, was lodged with council in early 2020.

A Failure to Determine appeal was subsequently lodged with VCAT by the landowners, with that body deciding not to grant a permit.

A new permit application was allowed due to differences including additional information concerning the feasibility of using the site for a vineyard and a staging plan seeking to commence use of the dwelling after the establishment of the vineyards, as well as alterations to the dwelling design.

"We are working within the South Gippsland rules and also the planning scheme that we have in place," Cr Hersey said on ABC Radio.

"The scheme is in place in the way that it is to protect agricultural land for agricultural use and in this instance it was assessed against that criteria, meaning it was determined the primary use of the land was not for agriculture but rather a lifestyle dwelling.

"This proposal did not demonstrate that there was a need to live on site."

In the past, South Gippsland Shire Council had planning powers removed by then Planning Minister Justin Madden, which was in part due to council approving residential developments in the Farm Zone.

"Council is committed to adhering to the scheme and making consistent decisions that will help to ensure the security of our largest industry and export (provider), farming," council CEO Kerryn Ellis said.

However, Mr Thompson argues planning policy should be viewed in a less rigid fashion.

Council's Planning Delegation Report, prepared in relation to the latest planning permit application, outlines the rationale behind councillors receiving a recommendation to vote against approving the proposal.

The landowners' failure to demonstrate a commitment to establishing a vineyard is highlighted in the report.

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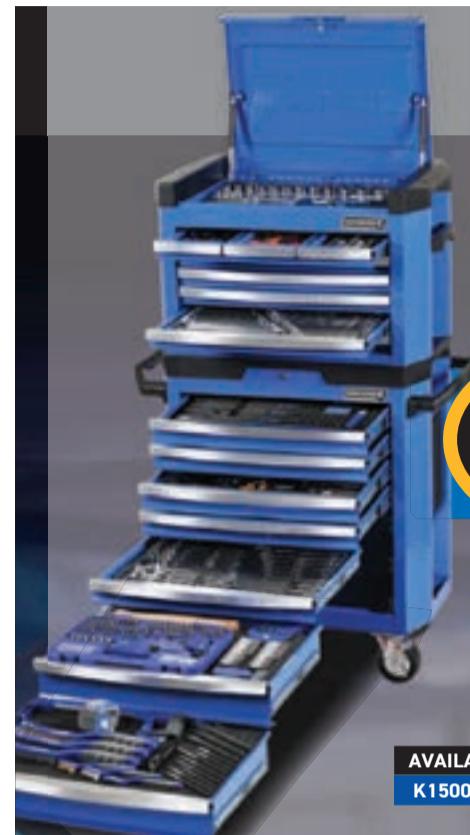
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Glenda Egan as the Statue of Liberty in the Bendigo Bank Donation Window at the Corinella residents and ratepayers' association games extravaganza.



Representatives of the Corinella & District CFA with Captain Dave Jarrett playing celebrity heads at the CRRA games extravaganza.

A laugh and good support

THE Corinella Residents and Ratepayers' Association held a games extravaganza at the Corinella Bowls Club recently with the community coming together to participate in an evening of games and trivia.

The committee welcomed over 80 people to take part, with the CFA participating in celebrity heads – and of course it's difficult to guess your own self as one fire fighter discovered.

The horse races were slow but entertaining as eight people vied to win the race on their horse.

Pop the balloon saw eighty people jumping up and down in their chairs to pop the balloon and find a lucky number inside, with everyone winning a prize.

Treasurer of the CRRA Jan Thompson said, 'lots of other fun and laughs, auction, raffles, and mystery boxes made the event a huge success.'

"Together we raised over \$2,800 to support the Corinella & District CFA and Corinella & District Community Centre Pantry. A huge thank you to all our sponsors, including our major sponsor Bendigo Bank."

Orchestra to play in Korumburra

THE Gippsland Symphony Orchestra will present a chamber concert featuring works by Bach, Sibelius, Holst, Mozart, Brahms, Handel and Marcello, on Sunday July 9 at 2pm at St Joseph's Catholic Church, 6 Guys Road, Korumburra.

Premier's Design Awards now open

ENTRIES are now open for Victoria's annual celebration of local design excellence, the Victorian Premier's Design Awards.

Minister for Creative Industries Steve Dimopoulos invited the state's designers, architects and design-led businesses to submit their work for the 27th edition of the awards.

All entries will be judged by a jury of national and international design and business experts, with the winners will be announced at the Victorian Premier's Design Awards ceremony in March 2024.

For more information, and to submit an entry, visit premiersdesignawards.vic.gov.au

Entries close on July 21, 2023, and entry is free.

Dance medicine in the moonlight

By Courtney O'Brien

THE TIME of the full moon has been celebrated for thousands of years by cultures from all around the world for its mystery, energy and its force on the earth.

It traditionally represents a time for communities to gather, celebrate the cycles of life, release unwanted energies, and call in the new.

Jodie Lynch, Professional Dancer turned Sacred Dance and Authentic Pilates Instructor at Saltwater House in Inverloch, guides sacred dance with a group of women under the full moon each month.

"The energy of the full moon affects the tides and our own bodies, so full moon is a time where we have more energy and more stimulus, more clarity. It's usually when more women come out to dance, is on a full moon."

As the huge orange moon rose over the horizon this June, 12 women came together to connect with nature and their own bodies in a space close to the ocean in Inverloch.

"The women can just step out of their lives and step into the space and journey with the music for an hour and it's just about intuitive dance where you explore your inner landscape and let the music move you."

What is beautiful about it is, you're bathing in the light and the energy of the moon. When



"Creating a sacred space to dance becomes meditation and dance creates an alchemical change in your body and has been called dance medicine," said Sacred Dance Instructor Jodie Lynch.

you're outside, you have the element of the wind, you have the soft earth beneath your feet, the fire going, you hear the ocean in the background. So it was very immersive, but it was also very gentle and comfortable."

Jodie believes it's important, especially in today's busy world, for women to get out of their heads and into their bodies and dance offers a perfect opportunity to do this.

"In our roles as women, in our jobs, we're mothers and we're sisters and we've got all these roles and there you are in your own body, in your own bones, own flesh, you're on the earth and you're just saying yes to yourself and

exploring your own body."

Jodie came to sacred dance after sitting in a women's circle for nearly 20 years and began exploring dance as a way of mediation, while she also attended women's retreats three or four times a year to guide sacred dance.

"Creating a sacred space to dance becomes meditation and dance creates an alchemical change in your body and has been called dance medicine."

Jodie believes that dancing in this way also creates an invisible bond between all the women moving together as a collective but in whatever way they individually choose.

"What happens when you



Jodie Lynch, Sacred Dance Instructor guides women to move intuitively and authentically every month under the full moon and weekly in classes.

come together as a group of women, the collective is holding you, but you get to be there for yourself. In the turning up, you're turning up for each other, and so what happens is you get connection, you weave community and you do it in a safe place and it feels sacred."

Coming from an initially very structured way of moving as a professional dancer into a more intuitive way of moving Jodie noticed a more heightened awareness of her body and how it felt to move and now brings this gift to other women. "It's actually trying to shed all your taught ways of moving, it's letting go of those and finding your authentic way of moving."

Valmai creates for climate change action

By Courtney O'Brien

BASS Coast artist Valmai Todd was moved to create from the destruction caused by climate change she has personally experienced.

"I am an environmentalist and have been for a long time, and I was very upset by the massive bushfires that went through the mountains in NSW and into Victoria in the '19, '20 bushfires.

"I love the bush and just the fact that I was thinking about all the animals, creatures that were being destroyed by the voracity of the fires. Where the fires burnt to the sea, that upset me because it is like there is no escape for the animals. I returned to an area that had been devasted by the bushfires about nine months later and what hit me was that the dense green bush was reduced to just a lattice of charred branches.

"Browns and blacks were the main bush pallet, and the area was silent, absolutely silent, no birds, no insects, no lace monitors and snakes. It was, it was quite tragic really." The devastation to the usually vibrant landscape was confronting to Valmai, and she thought to express conflicting feelings of both sadness and optimism thorough her artwork. "I had produced two lino prints based on that. One is called Survival and the other is Hope. One of them was the hope, because the gumtrees have got this beautiful survival mechanism, where they grow an epicormic of leaves out of the trunk as a bid to survive, and there was evidence of that, and there was



Artist and Environmentalist, Valmai Todd will have three works exhibited at the Winter Solstice Exhibition, themed 'Uncertainty' at ArtSpace, Wonthaggi.

evidence of little seedlings trying to grow from the ground having been exposed to the heat, particularly with the banksias, they propagate that way.

"So, there was this freshness along the ground that nature was trying desperately to survive, and that gave me the hope." Valmai has long been an artist and worked as an art teacher before retiring. She has dabbled in drawing and painting and other art forms but became serious about printmaking about eight years ago. She was drawn to the careful meticulousness of the printmaking process, and now works with her own press in her studio.

"I went to a workshop in early 2015, with master printmaker Jazmina Cininas and I learned a good way to do registration, because that's the key to colour reduction, to be able to lay your work in exactly the same posi-

tion so the next layer of colour is exactly the same." "It's a challenge. I enjoy the challenge through establishing a marking point so I can get a reference print for each layer of colour. I develop an image usually about eight to ten colours now, usually finishing off with black. The whole process usually takes me about two months." Through her works Valmai contributes to the climate change conversation and the uncertainty around the future of our world. The two lino prints, Survival and Hope, will be exhibited at the ArtSpace Gallery in Wonthaggi for their Winter Solstice Exhibition with the theme, Uncertainty. "Climate change is huge and the situations of our weather systems are massive, fire storms flooding, earthquakes. Humans have to say we're responsible for this and we have to act, we have to act now." A wood carving will

also be exhibited by Valmai, representing the same tension around the future. The carving was created with material Valmai sources from England, lemon wood, dense enough for detailed carvings and which depicts a distorted sized frog sitting in a rubbish tip. "It is a little wood engraving, quite tiny and quite detailed, and that's based on endangered species of frogs. Frogs are our indicator of healthy waterways, and in particular the Baw Baw frog, which reaches down into South Gippsland from the central areas. I've called it knee deep because the frog is knee deep in our pollution and if you say knee-deep you've got the frog sound. That was a feeling of fun with a twist of reality. That's the evidence of humans on the planet; is wiping out the wildlife and upsetting the delicate balance of the eco systems." Valmai hopes her work will provide a thought provoking stimulating representation on the current climate change crises and that it will inspire the viewer to contemplate and consider the impact that humans are having on the earth. "I think it's important to, from an artist's point of view to demonstrate our feelings. That's our way. Artists have got that visual ability to do that for the viewers, where (that old saying) a picture says more than a thousand words. Quite often people switch off from reading massive paragraphs, but at a glance, I'm hoping they will pick up a message." The exhibition opened to the public from Tuesday, May 30 until Sunday, June 25 at ArtSpace, Wonthaggi.



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Check your home heating this winter

AS THE winter chill travels across the state, Victorian fire services are reminding households to remain vigilant when warming their home and make sure heating systems are regularly inspected, to avoid a fire sparking.

CFA and Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV) firefighters respond to an average of 3,000 residential fires across the state each year, and more than 240 of those are caused by heating systems. Home heating systems vary and can include fixed electrical or gas-powered appliances, portable electrical, gas or kerosene heaters, as well as open fires and wood heaters.

CFA Acting Chief Officer Garry Cook AFSM said as we begin to spend more time indoors, Victorians should ensure they have their gas and electrical heaters serviced every two years to safeguard their loved ones from fire.

"We've already seen CFA respond to 23 heater fires this year, and we're only just entering the winter season," he said.

"We know from last year's data that most fires that resulted in serious injuries and fatalities started in lounge rooms and sleeping areas, and for those lounge areas, these were mostly sparked by heating systems that at times were not working properly and when located too close to flammable materials.

"A common mistake we are finding is households are keeping their drying clothes too close to heaters and fireplaces, so it's best to ensure they are at least one metre away from all heating. Regardless of when you turn a heater on, just be mindful to turn them off before you leave the house or go to sleep."

Fire Rescue Commissioner Gavin Freeman AFSM said the colder months are some of the riskiest times of the year for fires in the home and most of these fires can be prevented.

"Taking a few moments to check your heaters and fireplaces before winter sets in could mean the difference between life and death for your family," Fire Rescue Commissioner Gavin Freeman AFSM said. "Make sure your heaters are regularly cleaned, serviced, or checked by a certified technician. Don't leave portable heaters unattended and always supervise children near all types of heaters.

"Don't forget to check in on any outdoor heaters you may have as well, ensuring the area they are positioned in is flat, has good air flow and away from objects that can catch alight. As their purpose is to be outside, never use your outdoor heaters or cooking equipment inside your home, as it can lead to deadly build-up of gases."

Victorians are urged to keep their heating devices well-maintained and remember that 10-year long-life battery or interconnected smoke alarms located in all bedrooms and living areas of the home can save lives for as little as \$20.

When it comes to home heating, FRV and CFA recommends:

- Never leave portable heaters and fireplaces unattended; turn off heating devices before leaving home or going to sleep.
- Drying clothes and other items must be kept at least one metre away from all heating.
- Residents should have their gas heaters inspected and serviced every two years to ensure the safety of loved ones from carbon monoxide poisoning or fire.
- Children must be supervised near all types of heating. Maintain a safe distance between children and heating.
- Heaters should be installed as per the manufacturer's instructions, away from wet areas if they are portable and when purchasing a heater look for one that has an automatic safety switch that will turn off if the heater is tipped over.
- Residents should note home heating systems include fixed electrical or gas-powered appliances, portable electrical, gas or kerosene heaters, as well as open fires and wood heaters.
- Victorians should purchase affordable smoke alarms and prioritise installing them in all bedrooms, hallways and living areas. Smoke alarms should be tested monthly and cleaned annually to ensure they are working properly.



Mirboo North firefighter Steven Forbes prepares to enter a smoke-filled building at the Strzelecki Group of Fire Brigades training day on the final Sunday of May.



Volunteer trainer and assessor, and Ruby Fire Brigade member Darren Hardacre provides a briefing on the procedures for firefighters where asbestos is suspected.

Brigades focus on road incidents and structural fires

BRIGADES across CFA District 9 participated in three intense training activities on Sunday May 28.

The South Gippsland Group of Fire Brigades, including members from Toora, Inverloch and Dumbalk met at Fish Creek for a specialist skill session focusing on motor vehicle incidents.

Fish Creek, as a Road Accident Rescue brigade, hosted the session.

The Strzelecki Group of Fire Brigades held their session at Coal Creek in Korumbarra.

Historic buildings were filled with smoke to allow members to practice essential breathing apparatus skills, and tankers draughted water to simulate responding to structural fires in remote areas.

The Baw Baw Group of Fire Brigades focused on electric vehicle (EV) incidents, including isolating vehicles involved in accidents and strategies to deal with EVs in a fire situation.

Members of that Group also reviewed protocols to manage solar panel fires on roofs and to tackle structure fires affecting solar systems.

"Our brigades work together

to identify their risk and any training gaps and to coordinate their biannual training days," Acting Assistant Chief Fire Officer Emma Conway said.

She noted groups within District 9 host two Group training days per year, with a winter focus on structural or specialist response, while attention turns to brigades building bush and grass fire preparedness as summer approaches.

Emma outlined the prevalence of road accidents recently.

"It's no coincidence that brigades have focused on road risk; 132 people have died on Victoria's roads this year, and locally we have responded to a large number of motor vehicle incidents," she said.

Emma stressed the need for continued learning to ensure brigades provide the best service possible to their communities and others they assist.

"Our members are committed to staying up to date in the latest firefighting techniques and equipment and these joint training sessions are an example of that, where we can learn from each other," Emma said.



Crews work to draught water from the Coal Creek dam during a training exercise for Strzelecki brigades.



Firefighters at the South Gippsland training event at Fish Creek on Sunday May 28 are shown through the specialist equipment on the Fish Creek Rescue Vehicle.

Wonthaggi CFA smashes push-up target

MEMBERS from Wonthaggi Fire Brigade have been getting active this month with 13 taking part in The Push-Up Challenge.

Running from Thursday, June 1 to Friday, June 23, the challenge encourages participants to complete 3144 push-ups over the three-week period, representing the number of Australian lives lost to suicide in 2021.

Wonthaggi Fire Brigade 2nd Lieutenant Kevin Else said he is taking part for a number of reasons.

"First, for the challenge aspect of it – we love a challenge," Kevin said.

"But second, and probably most importantly, we wanted

to raise awareness and money for mental health.

"And if we get a bit fitter over the challenge, that's a bonus!"

Initially aiming to raise \$200 for Lifeline Gippsland, the team has smashed its target with more than \$900 raised as of last week.

Alongside Kevin doing the challenge are brigade members Jess Garvey, Jaci Nation, Imogene Walker, Georgia Wiles, Aaron Wilkinson, Pete Walters, Bec Adams, Andrew McCormick, Daryn Redman, Tristan Parker, Faith Stewart-Walters and Lemeki Brooks Seru.

To support their challenge, visit www.thepushupchallenge.com.au/fundraisers/wonthaggifirebrigade



Eight of the members of Wonthaggi Fire Brigade are taking part in The Push-Up Challenge, plus cheer squad Stuart and Emma (front).

Be released from the reins of chronic disease

LIVING with a chronic disease is tough, impacting people day and night.

Sally Lowe and Carolyn Thatcher from Bass Coast Health (BCH) understand the challenges for people who face these struggles.

As Clinical Nurse Consultants in Chronic Disease Management, Sally and Carolyn are knowledgeable about many conditions and are empathetic towards the people they care for.

Carolyn and Sally help clients to enjoy the best quality of life while living with an ongoing disease, such as fibromyalgia, diabetes, lung disease, heart disease, arthritis, chronic pain, chronic fatigue or certain mental health conditions.

Sally said, "Together we look at the client's whole health picture. We don't focus on just one health condition as most have many contributing and overlapping factors.

"We work with people to understand their health conditions and help them to find the steps to better health.

"Often, it's about getting people more active, eating better and more engaged in the community. We can talk to people about fresh food, thrifty cooking and how to find activities that don't stretch their budgets further."

Their connection with clients starts with an initial assessment of one-and-a-half hours. They



Sally Lowe, Clinical Nurse Consultant – Chronic Disease Management at Bass Coast Health, left, consults patient Aisha Bux.

will discuss the client's condition, medication and treatment, which healthcare providers they see and level of health screening.

Carolyn said, "We then draw up a plan to help the client achieve their goals. For diabetics, that could be getting control of their blood glucose levels, by exercising

or changing their diet."

For people experiencing depression or loneliness, Sally and Carolyn can offer ideas for improving clients' social connections by finding activities they enjoy and that are within their budget.

Clients are often referred to

Carolyn and Sally by a General Practitioner, Registered Nurse or an Allied Health Professional.

Clients can also self-refer by contacting BCH's Access team: Access@basscoasthealth.org.au or phoning 5671 3175.

Consultations with Carolyn and Sally are free for clients.

Vital mental health hubs continue

MIND AUSTRALIA will continue to support people in Bass Coast and South Gippsland experiencing mental health and wellbeing concerns thanks to a funding extension for the Mental Health and Wellbeing Hubs.

The Mental Health and Wellbeing Hubs, first funded by the Victorian government in 2021 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, act as a 'front door' service to the mental health system to provide people with faster access to support.

These Hubs are available to Victorians of all ages who have any mental health and wellbeing concerns. On Monday, May 29, 2023, the Victorian government announced a funding extension for 19 existing Mental Health and Wellbeing Hubs for another 12 months while the Mental Health and Wellbeing Local services are established.

The Hubs have been highly successful, providing care to more than 1,600 people across the state.

An evaluation conducted with clients of Mind-managed Mental Health and Wellbeing Hubs found that their mental health and wellbeing significantly improved.

Mind-managed Hubs provide support over the phone, or face-to-face in the community and at operational hubs, in line with client preferences.

People in need of support can access the Mental Health and Wellbeing Hubs by calling 1300 375 330.



Are you struggling with everyday life due to a health condition?

You could benefit from Allied Health and Community Services offered by Bass Coast Health.

BCH provides these services for people aged under 65 (under 50 years for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders) through the Home and Community Care Program for Younger People (HACC PYP). BCH also provides these services for people aged over 65.

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- Integrated Chronic Disease Management
- Meals on Wheels
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- To access Allied Health or Specialist Nursing services, contact our Access team on Access@basscoasthealth.org.au or Allied Health Reception by phoning 5671 3343
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COMMENT

Change the flag while we're at it

LISTENING to those arrogant Poms on the Ashes broadcast makes you wonder why we've still got their flag, the Union Jack, stuck in the corner of our own flag?

Why is it there? Because it has always been there, but the time is fast approaching, if not passed, when we should change it.

OK, there's history, we get that. And our soldiers have fought under that banner. We get that too.

But we are our own country now and we should act like it, starting with the flag, our symbols and working our way down from there.

Changing the flag to one that properly represents this country could also help unite us as well, when there's so much division.

At present, out the front of government and local government related buildings and facilities, we have three flags flying: the Australian flag, the indigenous flag in black, yellow and red, and the Torres Strait Islander flag; all of them official Australian flags.

Let's just have one flag flying: in the red, yellow and black from the indigenous flag, with a touch of blue from the Australian and Torres Strait flag, also representing the sea, sky and our history, with the key motif being the Southern Cross, harking back to the Eureka flag of 1854, widely accepted as representing our independent spirit.

Fly it high and fly it proud. One flag, one country, one people united.

Unfortunately, that's not what we are seeing from the debate about the Voice.

The government could start by telling us truth and finish by leaving it up to us to decide, without recrimination or regret.

A 'fine' shame

I was astounded to learn that last week a woman, walking her dog at 4pm on the oval attached to Thomsons Reserve, was fined between \$300-\$400 because her dog was off lead.

The oval was originally part of a large bush area with bridle paths, left to the Inverloch community.

The bush was cleared and habitat destroyed in swathes (as is currently occurring at Broadbeach).

The resulting oval is well equipped to serve a section of the community to play ball games: football, cricket and soccer. It appears that no expense has been spared.

(Sadly, the rubbish bins are not regularly emptied. Hence, litter of all kinds, including poo bags, often overflow.)

Another section of the community, who also enjoy the oval, are local walkers and dog-owners –the dogs also enjoying ball games.

Indeed, to run after a ball while their owners "catch up" ensures a positive influence on physical and mental health.

There is no shortage of people to alert one to their defecating dog and the need to pick up the poo. Friendships have been developed during these "catch ups" at the oval and dogs are socialised and their exercise and social needs met during the play.

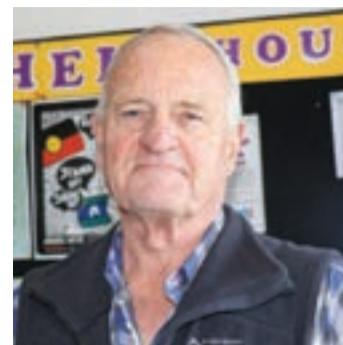
However, apparently this community can no longer utilise the oval for ball games...at risk of large fines.

The "dog community" have experience in group action against discrimination, as well as exclusion from public spaces.

Perhaps Bass Coast Council could consider a less punitive campaign such as "Make Inverloch Beautiful Again- All take Responsibility" rather than fining people often pensioners, whose dogs require as

Vox Pop

Are you worried about electricity prices?



Grant Watson

Yes, absolutely I am worried. The prices just keep going in the wrong direction and there doesn't seem to be any light at the end of the tunnel for any of us.



Nikki Kelly

Yes, my concern is that as a society we don't seem to be investing in renewable energy as much as we should, and now we must make the choice to turn the heater on or not.



Leslie Adams

Personally we live off grid; for two reasons the environmental factor, and to avoid this rise in the cost of living, but I am concerned for everyone in the community.



Trish Wilson

I have worked hard all my life, but I need to prepare for these rising costs, and so I recommend putting money away each pay day to manage those expensive bills.

much socialising and exercising as do other users of the oval.

Karen Chugg, Inverloch

Yes to the Voice

The upcoming referendum regarding the First Nations Voice to Parliament has without a doubt inspired much debate, opinion and reflection throughout this country. Personally, it has made me reflect on who I am, who I want to be, and the democratic society we could aspire to become.

I believe we all want to live in a society that values empathy, equity, truth, compassion and respect. An inclusive space that recognises and celebrates the both the differences and similarities in us all.

Regarding the First Nations people of this country, our modern democracy has not managed to nurture a reality where these values are upheld and celebrated.

The declaration of 'terra nullius' at the time of European 'discovery' of the Australian land mass initiated our modern history on a false premise, with a total disregard for the history and humanity of a rich culture that has proudly existed on this land for 60 000 plus years.

This systemic disregard has continued throughout our history through Government policies and outdated attitudes that have created division, disadvantage and mass intergenerational trauma.

The claiming of land regardless of previous occupation, the lack of Treaty, attempted genocide, the drafting of a constitution that doesn't even acknowledge First Nations people's existence, lost and stolen wages, the stolen generations and the NT intervention are all things that occurred in the name of our democracy. This truth needs to be acknowledged and addressed to heal and strengthen our sense of community, and our nation.

It's undeniable that this history has been to the advantage of some, and to the massive disadvantage and detriment of First Nations peoples historical and current reality.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart calls for constitutional and structural change to recognise and empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to culturally thrive and successfully co-exist with the sovereignty of the crown, and within our nation moving forward.

The establishment of a Makarrata Commission is essentially the coming together after a struggle or conflict, asking for the truth of our nation's history to be told and the consequences acknowledged.

The First Nations Voice to the Parliament will give First Nations people the constitutional right to have a say on issues that affect their social and cultural reality.

Essentially, this is a referendum on whether Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders should be listened to, which I believe is a request any reasonable person could not deny.

We have been asked to listen to and Walk Together with the First Nations people of this land.

What are we going to do? It's easy to feel a bit helpless and unsure of how to be a better ally to our indigenous friends. By actively listening, reading and showing empathy for others, we can make more informed decisions, enabling us to stand proudly in solidarity with this country's First Nations people and embrace the richness they contribute to our social, environmental and spiritual collective.

I believe we all want to live in a society that values empathy, equity, truth, compassion and respect and it's through the lens of these common values that I whole-heartedly support the establishment of a First Nations Voice to Parliament and will be voting YES in the upcoming referendum.

Simon Gilliland, Cape Paterson

Renewable catch-cry

Amidst the most popular catch-cries thrown about in support of native forest logging in Victoria are "sustainable" and "renewable".

These words come easily and are regularly utilised by proponents of the industry, either as a public placatory measure or out of naivety.

In reality, the only thing sustainable about current native forest logging practices in Victoria is the ongoing removal of increasingly younger trees and the accompanying ecological damage.

If this logging was truly "sustainable", the natural ecology would be retained in all its complexity, encompassing trees of multiple ages, including a significant number of hollow-bearing trees and stags, a representative presentation of established, mature understorey and the all-important ground organic matter from rotting logs to soil-enriching layers of humus.

Included in this are the myriads of fungi, bacteria, invertebrates and vertebrate fauna.

This all represents a rich web of life where all elements are inter-linked and the removal of one or more significant elements can cause dislocation.

In short, the removal of trees from a eucalypt forest is an unnatural event in this web of life, removing more carbon than a wildfire generally would (trees are typically about 50% carbon dry weight), in addition to hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, potassium, phosphorus and numerous trace elements.

In comparison, wildfires in intact Wet and Damp Forest Ecological Vegetation Classes (EVCs) typically leave behind a significant proportion of most trees.

The removal of trees via modern logging practices, accompanied by compaction and severe understorey disruption and often burning of slash, can have a severe habitat and food depleting effect on local wildlife, including insects such as nectar-dependent bees.

It can also increase erosion and reduce localised atmospheric cooling and therefore precipitation (Ellison,Sheil et al, 2017/2014). Logging cycles have increasingly turned natural forests into plantation-like environments.

Indeed, the word "harvesting" infers a managed crop!

The "renewable" catch-cry is equally controversial.

In a state where at least 60% of our original vegetative habitats have been removed and where much of the remaining areas are significantly altered, the continued claim that further logging is viable as the forests are (mysteriously) "renewed" is laughable.

A natural forest ecology cannot be renewed purely by the scattering of seed of one or a few commercially desirable tree species, or by planting seedlings, or by burning.

For an intact forest to be "renewed", viable seed or the vectors to supply the seed, suitable physical conditions (soil type, moisture, pH etc) need to be apparent and the organic material and the biota need to be replaced - a process that, if it can occur, is likely to take more than 150 years.

It needs to be remembered that in a typical, intact eucalypt-dominated Wet or Damp Forest EVC in Victoria, more than 95% of the plant diversity is in the understorey.

In addition it is often thrown about that logging native forests reduces the risk of fire.

In fact, for this to be an ongoing outcome the logging would have to occur at least every 10 years whilst the targeted trees are juveniles yet to reach flowering stage. Long-term scientific research by Professor David Lindenmeyer, Dr. Chris Taylor and others (independent of the logging industry) has strongly pointed out the connection between logging practices and increased flammability of the regrowth - consisting mostly of the most disturbance/fire-responsive and more flammable species (bracken, fireweed, dogwood, daisy bushes, wattles, eucalypts, etc).

Apart from the drier environment created by the increased water uptake of this young regrowth and exposure to wind and sun, there is then the dying back of shrubs due to competition for light and resources and thus increased flammability.

In relation to carbon, research such as that done by Dr. Jennifer Sanger, an ecologist and research associate from the University of Tasmania, estimates native forest logging in Victoria emits about three million tonnes of carbon per year - equivalent to the emissions per year of about 700,000 petrol/diesel cars.

A logged and regrowing forest is typically only able to hold about 50% of the carbon of an intact forest before being logged again.

The Conversation, purported to be the world's leading publisher of research-based news and analysis, reports that 86% of logged native forests in Victoria are turned into wood chips, pulp for paper and box-liners and that over 80% of all sawn timbers in Victoria comes from plantations.

Whilst it is going to be a trying time for those forest workers traditionally dependent for income on native forest logging and processing, it should be emphasised that, historically, many industries have been forced to change due to a better science-related understanding of the world we live in.

Ian Corntwaite, Allambee Reserve

Rotary South Coast proudly launches new website

ROTARY Clubs across South Gippsland and Bass Coast launched the new Rotary South Coast website to assist in identifying your nearest Rotary Club.

It will also provide some amazing stories of how Rotary contributes to local, national and international projects in support of community, whilst providing a one stop location for linkage to Rotary and shire events.

Rotary Assistant Governor Graeme Sprague highlights the ease of use, informative nature and modern feel of the new website.

"I encourage all interested community members to explore the website but don't be surprised if it sparks your interest in becoming a member of Rotary International through one of the six clubs linked to the site."

The new Rotary South Coast website was made possible due to the generous support of both the South Gippsland and Bass Coast Shires, through their community grant programs.

The ongoing project will also transform all the local Rotary Club websites over the coming months.

A special thanks also to Carbon Data Solutions who developed the website and supported this community service initiative.

Visit <https://rotarysouthcoast.com.au>

All Rotary Clubs are always keen



Rotary Assistant Governor Graeme Sprague, President Nicky Chung of Wonthaggi, President Rob Robertson of Phillip Island / San Remo and President Laurie Warfe of Foster at the launch of the new website.

to ensure their club is made up of people representative of their diverse communities and someone

who wants to make a difference, whilst having a lot of fun. Do you want to make a difference?



Marg and Graeme Sprague with Paul Mee at the Annual Rotary Changeover Dinner.

Big awards night celebrating community volunteers

THE 2023 Annual Rotary Changeover Dinner held on Saturday, June 17, was a celebration of community supporting community.

In addition to celebrating Wonthaggi Rotary President Nicky Chung taking on a second year in the role, there were many presentations that were made on the evening.

The Exemplary Volunteer recognition award jointly sponsored by the Order of Australia Association, Gippsland Branch and Gippsland Rotary District 9820 was presented to Jackson O'Connor and Ashley Lamers for their volunteer work.

Nominees must be 40 years of age or under at time of nomination and reside in Gippsland region.

Jackson O'Connor was recognised for the volunteer with the State Coal Mine in Wonthaggi, an important historical location which is an ingrained part of the wider community of Wonthaggi.

Mine Operations Team Leader Anthony Jones of Parks Victoria has recognised the valued younger volunteer through nomination for the Exemplary Citizen Award.

Mr Jones stated that if not for the dedicated volunteer crew, the maintenance and upkeep of the underground component at Eastern Area Mine site would not be sufficient to keep the site open to the community and visitors to the town.

Ashley Lamers is nominated for this award as a significant contributor to the Wonthaggi and wider community through his dedicated and enthusiastic support through a number of community and service organisations.

Ashley has for over 10 years been involved on a voluntary basis in the delivery of what is now the Bass Coast Summer Agricultural Show.

He has undertaken roles on the organising committee and has been hands on with supervision and management of this important local community event which is one of the remaining country agricultural shows within Victoria.

Ashley has been a volunteer Board member and Treasurer of the South Gippsland Bass Coast Local Learning and Employ-

ment Network Inc (SGBCLLEN) since 2017.

Ashley joined the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi in 2014 and continues to serve the local community and wider across the Rotary District.

The evening was very well attended by Jackson and Ashley's friends and families, and also representatives from SES Wonthaggi, Bunurong Wildlife Carers Inc and CFA Wonthaggi who all received recognition for their contribution to community.

They were presented with by the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi generous donations to support them with their operations.

Nicky Chung stated, "There are groups represented here today that do incredible work, that have very limited funding, and

so we have invited those folks to join us this evening as a way of acknowledging them, and thanking them for the wonderful work they do, as well as making a small contribution to their clubs."

MC Cr Bruce Kent recognised the work of many of the Rotarians in the region, and in particular his former colleague, Graeme Sprague who also spent 40 years with Victoria Police. Graeme was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow, his second, for his extraordinary work, in particular in relation to the municipal crisis and emergency response management plan on behalf of the Bass Coast Shire Council and South Gippsland Shire, and his three-year term that is coming to an end in June as the Assistant District Governor for Rotary.

Finally, the night also celebrated the induction of two new members to the Club, Don Paproth, Former Chair of Bass Coast Health and Jeff Tully of Jeff Tully's Tractors who have been long time supporters of the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi.

Nicky Chung stated, "The Club is incredibly thrilled to have on board two highly respected gentlemen. More hands means we can achieve so much more. We look forward to welcoming more inductees to the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi."

To find out more about joining the Rotary Club of Wonthaggi, email rotaryclubwonthaggi@gmail.com or call Nicky on 0475 871 589.



David Thompson (left) handing over the presidency to Ray Pearson (right).

Leongatha Lions standing strong

AFTER some challenging years following the COVID-19 pandemic, the Leongatha Lions have steadily got back in the saddle and supported the community by fundraising through our chip cooker activities or directly providing in kind labour.

From the Foster Market to Mirboo North, Nyora or Licola we have been on the road while in Leongatha selling Christmas cakes, helping at the Daffodil Festival or running a sausage sizzle.

On June 3, the club got together to celebrate the year and welcome the new leadership team where outgoing President, David Thompson

provided a summary of the year to members and guests and mentioned that along the way we were able to help the Salvation Army, Ride for Sight, Leongatha Scouts and Secondary College, the earthquake appeal and Woorayl Lodge to name a few worthy recipients.

During the evening David Thompson was confident to hand over the responsibilities of President to Ray Pearson who in turn expressed the desire to not only continue with our existing functions but also seek options to support local youth where possible.



Life memberships for dedicated members

AT the Lions Club of Strzelecki Annual Changeover Dinner at the Poowong Hotel three Charter Members of the club were awarded well deserved Life Memberships of the club by Maurice Schwenzenen. Congratulations to Noel Gregg, Graeme Lancey and Bill Loughridge.

New tech catching risky drivers

LOCALS are being urged to get back to the basics of safe driving and remove any potential distractions, as new data shows a shocking amount of drivers not obeying the road rules.

Almost 3000 Victorians have been detected not wearing seatbelts or driving while using a mobile phone according to initial data from the Government's new mobile phone and seatbelt detection cameras.

During their first month of operation, the cameras have detected 2,993 offences, including 1,606 drivers and 225 passengers not wearing seatbelts and 1,162 drivers using mobile phones.

The cameras began operation in April this year, using two high-tech AI cameras to capture high-resolution images of vehicles – including during poor weather and low light when distracted driving is even more dangerous.

Drivers are being issued with an advisory letter throughout the three month grace period until Friday, June 30, to ensure they have an opportunity to heed safety warnings and adjust their behaviour before enforcement begins on Saturday, July 1.

Once in force, drivers will face penalties of four demerit points and a \$577 fine if caught using a mobile phone while driving, and a \$385 fine for not wearing a seatbelt correctly.

There are currently three camera trailer systems in operation, which can be deployed to up to 200 locations in rural and metropolitan areas. They will help support enforcement of new road rules that came into effect from March 31, 2023 bringing Victoria in line with the Australian Road Rules.

The new rules extended current mobile phone laws to cover modern technologies like in-built vehicle systems, mounted devices, wearable devices (such as smartwatches) and portable devices (such as mobile phones and tablets). Victoria Police can also issue roadside fines for illegal use of devices and seatbelt offences.

Distracted driving is a major contributor to serious and fatal collisions. In 2022, nearly a quarter of vehicle occupants who died and their seatbelt status was known were not wearing a seatbelt. Drivers are also 10 times more at risk of crashing if they are texting, browsing or emailing on their mobile phone.

For more information on the new road rules visit the VicRoads website and on the mobile phone and seat belt detection cameras visit the Victorian Government's website.



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EV integration issues for strata

WITH approximately six million strata residents across Australia and New Zealand, and electric vehicle sales expected to leap an estimated 35 per cent in 2023, Strata Community Association (SCA) has identified a critical need to investigate the significant, and unique challenges that are faced when attempting to integrate EVs into strata.

The report, titled Electric Vehicles in Strata – Phase 2: Challenges builds on SCA's Phase 1 Report released in December last year, and functions as a tool to guide the formation of effective policies, guidelines and best practices that promote the integration of EVs and their

supporting infrastructure.

SCA National Vice-President and Chair of the SCA EV Taskforce Josh Baldwin has said that the report sets a strong foundation for proactive discussions and policy development for the industry.

"The challenges explored in the report highlight the urgent need for comprehensive support for EV planning and infrastructure development in strata buildings," he said.

"By equipping our strata communities with efficient and accessible EV infrastructure, we can further encourage EV adoption, and position the strata industry as a leader in sustainable development."

SCA National President

Chris Duggan said that collaboration is critical among strata stakeholders, government bodies and industry experts, to overcome the extensive barriers outlined in the report.

"We call upon all parties to join together and explore innovative solutions that will pave the way for a pragmatic approach and more sustainable future for strata communities everywhere," said Mr Duggan.

"By harnessing the collective efforts of owners, residents, industry professionals and policymakers, we can take full advantage of the unique benefits that strata living presents."

"Together, we can awaken a sleeping giant and unlock the

unlimited potential of strata, to create thriving, sustainable communities, and set a global standard for environmentally conscious living."

Facts and statistics about EVs and Strata:

- Australia's total EVs almost doubled in 2022, growing from 44,000 to more than 83,000.
- Global electric vehicles sales are expected to grow by 35% in 2023.

• EVs are estimated to account for 49 per cent of total vehicle sales in Australia by 2030, and 100 per cent by 2040.

One in five Australians are estimated to be living in strata-titled properties such as apartments and townhouses.

Free vehicle rego for eligible apprentices

THE STATE Government is making vehicle registration free for eligible apprentices from next month.

Premier Daniel Andrews and Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne visited the Kangan Institute in Broadmeadows to meet apprentices who will be eligible for free vehicle registration from July 1, 2023 saving them up to \$865 every year.

The \$10 million initiative is being delivered in the

Victorian Budget 2023/24 to put more money back in Victorian apprentices' pockets – and will provide free registration to apprentices like carpenters, joiners, bricklayers, plumbers, electricians and chefs if their employer can verify that their vehicle is an essential part of their work.

Apprentices who need their car for work are already entitled to a 50 per cent discount on their vehicle's registration

fee as part of the Government's Trade Apprentice Registration Discount scheme.

The scheme was introduced in 2016 to reduce costs for trade apprentices needing to use their own vehicle for work purposes, and expanded to border communities earlier in the year.

The Government has also made car registration more budget-friendly by introducing short-term registration.

Learner and probationary

licences and online testing are now also free, while drivers who have not incurred demerit points or committed road safety offences in the three years prior to their licence expiring benefit from the reintroduction of a 25 per cent discount on their licence renewal.

Eligible apprentices can apply for the free vehicle registration via the myVicRoads portal on the VicRoads website.

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New campaign urging car buyers to prioritise safety

THE Transport Accident Commission is urging prospective car buyers to prioritise safety features, in an effort to address the concerning number of people dying in older vehicles. The TAC has unveiled a new vehicle safety campaign, which aims to educate Victorians on the life-saving benefits of advanced active safety features in new and used cars. Under the tagline 'find a safer car in your budget', the campaign showcases widely available vehicle safety features that buyers should consider, including auto-emergency braking (AEB), lane-keep assist (LKA), blind spot monitoring, electronic stability control (ESC), and front, side, and curtain airbags.

It comes as new figures reveal 56 of the 92 driver and passenger deaths on Victorian roads this year have been in crashes involving a vehicle aged 10 years or older. Many older vehicles are without the lifesaving technologies found in more modern cars, and research shows that if everyone drove the safest vehicle in its class, deaths and serious injuries would be reduced by up to a third.

TAC CEO Joe Calafiore said that newer vehicles with more active safety features could either reduce the impact of a crash or prevent a crash from happening altogether, and encouraged those in the market for a car to keep safety front of mind.

"Remember, a state-of-the-art sound system and leather



The TAC is urging prospective car buyers to prioritise safety features. Photo by Robert Bagamov on Unsplash

seats won't save your life in the event of a crash but having advanced safety features can truly be the difference between life and death."

AEB has been estimated to reduce rear-end crashes resulting in fatal and serious injuries by 27 per cent, while LKA is estimated to reduce run-off-road and head-on crashes resulting in fatality or serious injury by 22 per cent.

The TAC campaign highlights how new and used vehicles at similar price points can have varying levels of safety technology included as standard, and encourages people to visit the TAC's

How Safe Is Your Car website to search the safety rating of vehicles by budget or registration number.

"This new campaign enables car buyers to make educated decisions when purchasing a vehicle. By prioritising safety within their budget, Victorians can proactively protect themselves and others on the road," Mr Calafiore said.

"The TAC's How Safe Is Your Car website provides essential safety information to buyers, ensuring they can make informed decisions that can keep themselves and others safe on the roads."

The campaign, which will

run until June 30 across radio, print, outdoor advertising and online, coincided with National Road Safety Week, which highlights the impact of road trauma and ways to reduce it.

Getting people into safer vehicles is a key priority of Victoria's Road Safety Strategy, which sets ambitious targets to halve road deaths and significantly reduce serious injuries by 2030. For the latest safety ratings, information on vehicle safety features, and to assess the safety of their own cars, people can visit the www.howsafeisyourcar.com.au

Take extra care on the roads this winter

WITH the snow season officially opening, RACV is urging Victorians to prioritise safety on the roads as driving conditions can become more dangerous during winter.

Over the coming months, weather conditions are more likely to change frequently resulting in wet, icy and foggy roads, making it harder to see, stop and navigate.

RACV General Manager Automotive Services Jackie Pedersen said it was imperative that motorists took a safety-first mindset to work together to reverse the tragic trend of lives lost on Victorian roads in 2023.

As of June 8, 2023 Victoria's road toll now sits at 140 lives lost on the year to date – up 35.9 per cent from last year.

This is the highest number at this stage of the year since 2018.

RACV has posted six tips for safe driving in winter conditions:

1. Slow down - travel just a little slower, even on roads you know well.
2. Keep an eye on the weather - Be aware of changed conditions and heed any weather warnings particularly when travelling in areas where extreme weather is more common.
3. Maintain a safe breaking distance - it takes much longer to stop in the wet, so extend the distance between you and the car in front to at least four seconds.

4. Take care of your vehicle - ensure your car's safety equipment, windscreen wipers, batteries, lights, and brakes are working correctly.

5. Check your tyres - Tyres must have plenty of tread depth (no less than 1.5 millimetres) and no damage.

6. When in doubt, pull over – it is never worth the risk to drive in conditions you're even the slightest bit unsure of.

For more information on road safety and driving and maintenance tips, visit the RACV website.

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Students discover the health and wellbeing benefits of nature

POWLETT River Primary School attended the Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne after being invited to participate in the garden's Health and Wellbeing in Nature program as part of a number of opportunities provided by the Department of Education for Education Week.

Educators Seb and Bridgett taught the students breathing techniques, they created mandalas from found objects, heard a poem about lessons from a tree, tasted lemon myrtle tea and took off their shoes to feel the grass.

Bridget and Seb guided the students through different areas of the gardens explaining the features and significance of different plants.

There were some planting ideas that both the students and teachers brought back to the school for their next playground project, including the tall tea tree forest and sensory walk with special plants and pathways.

The Department of Education and Training are using photographs and video from the day in their Education Week promotion material for 2024.

• FAITH FACTOR

What is Pentecost?

John Searle
Chair, Wonthaggi Inverloch
Inter-Church Council

WHAT actually is Pentecost? Some Churches celebrate it, in others, the event is hardly even mentioned. Some Churches – the Pentecostals – even have the word in their name.

So what is Pentecost?

To quote Adam Bandt out of context "Google it mate, Google it".

When you do, you will find that Google says that Pentecost comes from the Greek word Pentekoste which means 50th.

So 50th what?

Going again to Google, it says that Pentecost occurs on the 50th day after Easter Sunday and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ.

Because Easter is a "moveable festival" that is a festival with no fixed date, Pentecost is also a "moveable festival".

The earliest Pentecost can occur in May 10 and the latest date possible is June 13.

So, Pentecost comes from the Greek word for 50th and it comes 50 days after Easter.

But what actually happened at Pentecost? What do Christians actually celebrate on Pentecost Sunday?

Again turning to Google, a lot of things happened on Pentecost Sunday. Look them up for yourself. Google Acts Chapter 2 and read about the events that happened on that day. Probably the most astonishing thing for the people who were there was that they heard what these uneducated fishermen were saying in their own heart language.

It's worth remembering here that there were Jews from all around the Mediterranean in Jerusalem for the Passover Festival, so there were many language groups represented.

Would you like to know more about Pentecost? A good place to start is to Google Acts Chapter 2 and read it through – or, if you have a Bible, look up the Chapter. If you still want more information, talk to people at your local Church, they will be happy to share with you and answer your questions.

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BASS COAST ADULT LEARNING

THE NDIS Capacity Building sessions will continue through the school holidays. It's better for the participants to avoid breaking their routine. But that doesn't mean they can't kick it up a notch and have some fun during the holidays.

Activity coordinator Melissa has come up with a great range of special activities for participant over the term break.

These include a trip to the new Holey Moley mini-golf at Chadstone, Bowling and Laser Tag at Cowes and the always popular Gold Class movie experience at Fountain Gate

Over the Easter holidays, a visit to the Robert Gordon Pottery was very popular, and this will be run again. Participants will be able to paint their own piece of usable ceramic art.

It all helps participants with their life skills and doing something out of the ordinary gives them great experience with that. For more information on all BCAL's courses and services, please visit www.bcal.vic.edu.au or call 5672 3115 to learn more.

■ WONTAGGI COMMUNITY GARDEN

A flock of multicoloured, chattering lorikeets visited the garden last week, to forage for flowers and nectar in a nearby gumtree. They were a welcome sight on a cool, soggy morning.

Garden volunteers maintain two bird-baths, one at ground level to attract skinks and blue tongues, and the other for any birdlife that drops into the garden to feed and drink. The lorikeets and their bird mates also eat fruit, seeds and insects, which means we share our harvest, allow shrubs, hedges and plants to flower and set seed, and protect some vegetable seedlings from foragers.

By using bird, earthworm and wildlife friendly netting, mesh and other products, the gardeners play a part in creating diversity in their patch and welcoming all creatures great and small.

To find out more about the garden, email tgordon@westnet.com.au or drop in on a Thursday between 10am and noon to catch up with the wildlife.

■ WONTAGGI WOODCRAFTERS

Last Friday, the Woodies took one of their old jointing machines, referred to as the 'ship's anchor,' to make room for a brand new machine purchased with a Bass Coast Shire community grant.

One of the members commented that the new machine is so quiet, he had to look closely to tell if it was turned on.

The jointer is used to square timber with great accuracy for use in box making, furniture and segmented turning. For more information about joining the Woodcrafters, visit www.wonthaggiwoodcrafters.com.au or pop in to the workshop.



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WONTAGGI NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

WE ARE coming up to the end of term two and some of our activities and groups will be taking a break, the Weight Management group for one.

They will be starting up again on Thursday, July 13.

Please call Mitchell House to check if your group(s) are continuing during the holidays.

Now, who likes to wait in line for ages and then find that when you get to the front for your turn, the service you want has run out of time for the day and you'll have to come back tomorrow or whenever.

Well, to avoid all that palaver, it is good to book your time ahead. No standing around and waiting.

This is a good thing to do regarding having someone to help you with the Power Savings Bonus of \$250 from the State Government.

By ringing ahead, we can also advise you on what to bring to make the process go smoothly. The Power Savings Bonus is still available to those who are eligible, and we are here to help if you get a bit stuck at applying for it.

If you or someone you know is struggling to pay their power bills and is eligible to receive it.

We can help anyone who has a pensioner concession or healthcare card or receiving Centrelink payments.

Call us on 5672 3731 or drop in if you need help applying.

Online, go to www.compare.energy.vic.gov.au/welcome.

A reminder that the Committee of Management is currently seeking your thoughts and feedback through a survey.

Thank you to those who have already completed the survey. If you have yet to do so we encourage your response - your feedback and ideas are important to us.

The survey can be accessed through the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HHHY337>

Or through a link on the WNC website: <https://www.wonthaggineighbourhoodcentre.com/>

We have lots going on at the WNC over the months so consider becoming a member of the WNC and get discounts to many of our activities and receive a monthly newsletter plus The Grapevine program which lists groups, their dates, days and times for the term.

Both can be delivered online or by post, your choice. Call Mitchell House or visit us on Facebook: Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House.



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MILPARA COMMUNITY HOUSE

COMMUNITY houses bring people together to connect, learn and contribute through social, educational, recreational and support activities. If you didn't catch it last week, the results of our annual sector survey are back and they are pretty amazing...

Did you know that last year, Milpara provided more than \$1.5 million dollars of value to the Korumburra community? This figure includes the value of improved quality of life through social connections, incredible volunteer contributions, emergency relief, services and adult education (Neighbourhood Houses Victoria 2022). Milpara hopes this value will increase even more as we move to the Hub later this year, where more community members will have easier access to brand new facilities, new programs and opportunities to connect, support and learn.

Please note some recent changes to emergency food bank and House hours:

Milpara House is now open 9.30am-4.00pm Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and 9.30am-3.00pm Tuesdays. The food bank is available 10.00am-3.00pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. During the upcoming school holidays, regular programs and opening hours change, but Centrelink services and food bank will be available Tuesday 10am-2pm, Wednesday 10am-1pm and Thursday 10am-1pm.

If you're looking for a warm meal and good company – you're invited to the Korumburra Community Meal, 5.30pm on Friday, July 7 at the Anglican Parish Hall. The meal is completely free and a great way to meet others.

Digital literacy means having the skills you need to live, learn and work in a world where communication and access to information is increasingly through digital technologies like internet platforms, social media, and mobile devices. If you feel you need extra confidence, knowledge or support to navigate these, please contact us to express your interest in Easy Steps to Computers, Computers Next Step, Intermediate Computers and Easy Steps to Tablets. These courses have small, friendly class sizes, local tutors, are subsidised and can be tailored to suit you.

And a call out to you if you're a young person, or know someone 12-20 years old... Milpara, along with a bunch of other local groups, are looking to find ways to fight boredom and increase spaces, opportunities and access for younger people in Korumburra. There are stacks of grants and opportunities around, but we need the young people who live and work here to lead and inform these!



21 Shellcot Rd, Korumburra
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Winter Warmth



Nick Williams owner and operator of Bass Coast HVAC is bringing instant warmth to people's homes this winter. ob04_2123

HVAC offers instant warmth

NICK Williams, a local trader from Wonthaggi is bringing instant warmth to people's homes this winter.

As the owner and operator of Bass Coast HVAC, Nick specialises in installing, maintaining, servicing, and replacing reverse cycle air conditioning units, including ducted systems, for homes and business.

Reverse cycle air conditioners offer easy, efficient, and instant heating, and when you need it, instant cooling.

Running on electricity these heaters make a more affordable and safer option than portable heaters or gas and are far less hassle and cleaner than wood fires.

Once installed these units can be set to an ideal ambient temperature and

can be run economically between 18 and 20 degrees, keeping the home cosy during the cooler months.

Using the best quality in heating manufacturers, Nick stocks Mitsubishi Electric and also offers a good economical option for those on a smaller budget with the Hisense range.

For those cooking up a whole lot of comfort food on the stove this winter, Nick also specialises in ventilation, including installing rangehoods, as well as laundry, bathroom, and commercial fans.

HVAC is a small, local, family run business and offers free, no obligation quotes and services homes and businesses across the Bass Coast, South Gippsland and beyond.

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Bass Coast HVAC

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Leigh Donohue of City to Coast Air is a leading provider of Mitsubishi Electric offering the bonus gift card campaign until July 31. Z31_2123

Manage the climate of your home with the touch of a button

CITY to Coast Air in Wonthaggi is a leading provider of Mitsubishi Electric and until July 31 customers who purchase any selected split system or ducted air conditioning unit can redeem a bonus gift card.

Director Leigh Donohue said the team can assist all customers with a free quote, purchase, and installation of any heating and cooling unit and therefore help them become eligible for the bonus gift card.

"Our team are here to assist with all residential, domestic and commercial properties, by providing an onsite assessment, followed by a formal quote on the servicing of an old unit, or the removal of a system with the installation of a new product," said Leigh.

"We are also offering new smart home integration systems, including the AirTouch 5 that will enhance your air conditioning, it's a smart controller to manage your climate control from a touch screen, smart phone, or tablet.

"The new technology is available

through Wi-Fi and can therefore be controlled remotely, allowing the home temperature to be comfortable and consistent when you walk through the door."

The AirTouch is energy saving and compatible to various units, and the team at City to Coast Air in Wonthaggi can provide an assessment on the home system to ensure the compatibility – providing a quote for an upgrade if required.

Built-in artificial intelligence helps manage the temperatures of your home, as well as turning on and off the lights inside the home, and even closing the garage door.

This modern technology allows you to live in comfort, and save on energy – more convenience, more control, and more savings in the future.

City to Coast Air provide sales, service, and installation, so more information on the Mitsubishi bonus or to upgrade to an AirTouch home system call City to Coast Air on 0400 001 465 or visit www.citytocoastair.com

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Winter Warmth

Check your heating appliances

WITH winter here, locals will be turning on their home heating after months of inactivity. While your heating may be working well, there is a risk that it may be releasing dangerous carbon monoxide into the air.

Carbon monoxide is an invisible gas that you can't smell but it can make you very ill and even be deadly.

All gas heaters can produce carbon monoxide including central heating systems, space heaters, wall furnaces and decorative log fires.

Carbon monoxide poisoning can cause a range of symptoms including headache, nausea and vomiting, skin flushing, muscle pain, weakness, shortness of breath, dizziness, coordination difficulties, confusion, or chest pain. These symptoms may be mistaken for flu-like illness or food poisoning.

Very high levels of carbon monoxide can cause a loss of consciousness, seizures and even death.

Exposure to low levels of carbon monoxide over a long period of time can also lead to impaired thinking and concentration, emotional lability, irritability, and impulsiveness.

Head of RACV Trades, Kieran Davies, says there is one simple way to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.

"The surest and safest way to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning is to have your heaters serviced every two years by a qualified professional," says Mr Davies.

Heat your home efficiently this winter

SUSTAINABILITY Victoria has released the latest version of its Household Energy Action Guide, just in time for winter, providing householders with simple, cost-effective ways to reduce energy bills and improve the comfort of their homes.

Developed by Sustainability Victoria's team of energy experts, the guide comes as the latest figures show that on average, heating accounts for 43 per cent of overall energy cost in Victorian households followed by water heating at 17 per cent.

Importantly, the Healthy Homes study showed householders' quality of life increased and their healthcare costs were reduced over the winter period.

For every \$1 saved in energy costs, more than \$10 was saved in healthcare costs.

Victoria has more than 1.3 million homes built before 1991 that average below two stars (NatHERS) for energy efficiency (new homes must be built to six stars).

For the people in these homes, this means that winter brings not only cold indoor temperatures and high energy bills, but also health risks.

For more information on saving energy in the home, visit: <https://www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/energy-efficiency-and-reducing-emissions/save-energy-in-the-home>



Owners of Bass Coast Garden Centre Carly and Brenton Wylie have extensive experience selling firewood and can provide sound advice for the winter season ahead. Z13_2123

Winter gardens and open fires

THE winter season is upon us and it's time to prepare the garden for the wet weather.

Bass Coast Garden Centre in Wonthaggi has a vast range of crushed rock and toppings to avoid a muddy driveway, and seasoned, clean firewood to keep the home warm.

Owners Carly and Brenton Wylie have been selling redgum firewood for 13 years and can provide sound advice for anyone looking to stock up the woodshed this winter.

"We recommend going to have a look at the wood that's for sale, so you can see what you're actually getting."

Bass Coast Garden Centre supply redgum and blue gum by the bag, boot load or offer delivery for a truck load to your door – delivery is available to Bass Coast from Phillip Island to Lang Lang, across to Venus Bay and everywhere in between.

"Redgum is such a dense wood, so it burns a lot longer and lasts longer than many other species of firewood.

"It may seem expensive at the time but it's a firewood that's burns at a high consistent heat – it's durable and lasts. Redgum is a clean burn that doesn't leave your firebox full of ash as opposed to other wood," said Carly.

"All the redgum we sell is



Blue gum firewood is available from Bass Coast Garden Centre this winter; buy a bag full, boot load or a truck load for delivery. Z17_2123

clean seasoned and sustainably sourced, so it's all been done the correct way that doesn't contribute to the destruction of habitat."

Bass Coast Garden Centre are fortunate enough to have a reputable supplier who can provide redgum all year round.

"We currently have a special on that continues until the end of June. Anyone who buys a fire pit, we are giving away a bag of redgum and a bag of kindling with each purchase."

Not only is it crucial to keep the home warm during winter, but tending to the garden is a necessity; so, ensure you compact the dirt to eliminate muddy footprints on those rainy days.

Do you have a muddy driveway? Carly and Brenton can help you out.

The Bass Coast Garden Centre team supply a range of crushed rock and toppings – including Tuscan and Tynong topping for a decorative finish.

"So, if you're already over

walking through mud and puddles, come see us and we can talk you through your best options," said Brenton.

"We can also recommend a range of local trades to help with anything from small excavations to whole yard landscapes."

Come see the team for all your landscaping, firewood, and gardening needs. Located at 113 White Road, Wonthaggi – right next to the new Bunnings site. Call 5605 2217 or visit their website www.basscoastgardencentre.com.au



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Winter Warmth



A collaboration with Nick Chapman of Ross Chapman Cartage, Andrew Houston of Leongatha Garden Supplies, Mel Carlisle of Wonthaggi Garden Supplies, Ray Wallis of Grantville Garden Supplies and Kelle Cooper of Inverloch Garden Supplies. Z30_2123

A sustainable mix of firewood for winter

SOUTH Gippsland Garden retailers have collaborated this season to get the best deal for the community – sourcing hardwood mill ends firewood in bulk to keep the costs down this winter.

Working in partnership are Leongatha Garden Supplies, Wonthaggi Garden Supplies, Grantville Garden Supplies, Inverloch Garden Supplies and Ross Chapman Cartage to find an alternative way to keep

those wood heaters burning at an affordable price.

With the cost of living rising and red gum difficult to source in bulk, the retailers have teamed up and will be selling clean hardwood mill ends firewood for \$200 per cubic metre – a sustainable by-product of the building industry.

Mel from Wonthaggi Garden Supplies said, "hardwood mill ends firewood is a fantastic

alternative to double split red gum or work well in combination with our standard red gum, local hardwood, or other firewood favourites.

"The hardwood mill ends pair perfectly with other firewoods to reduce the cost of heating the home this cold season, that's already set in.

"Sustainable hardwood mill ends burn clean and hot, and they are so tidy! No bark, dust or dirt and the pieces are easy

to handle."

Sourced from East Gippsland, Nick Chapman of Ross Chapman Cartage explains that by working together the retailers utilise the most efficient and cost-effective cartage so the cost savings can be passed on to benefit the customer. The wood is supplied in bulk bags, which provide an accurate measurement of the wood while also providing an easy container for the wood.

All partnership retailers have a vast range of firewood, firelighters and kindling available in store, with pickup and delivery available.

So, to keep costs down this winter visit your local garden supplier and find out more about sustainable firewood. Together the retailers will provide you with the best deal so you can keep the fire burning throughout this cold season.

FIREWOOD

Sustainable hardwood mill ends

- ✓ Burns hot and clean
- ✓ Great affordable alternative to Redgum
- ✓ Easy to handle
- ✓ Clean, no bark

\$200m³

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OTHER WOOD SUPPLIES AVAILABLE



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Inverloch
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Grantville
Garden Supplies
1572 Bass Highway,
Grantville
Phone 5678 8357



Leongatha
Garden Supplies
13 Anderson Street,
Leongatha
Phone 5662 3656



Ross Chapman
Cartage
3 Kongwak-Inverloch Road,
Kongwak
Phone 0408 032 387





Wonthaggi Theatrical Group is excited to present 'How to Survive a Zombie Apocalypse'.

Survive the apocalypse in style

WONTHAGGI Theatrical Group is excited to present 'How to Survive a Zombie Apocalypse' written by Ben Muir and directed by Toni Osborne.

'How to Survive a Zombie Apocalypse' was a comedic hit at the 2010 Edinburgh Fringe Festival. The show is presented in the style of a seminar where Dr Dale Seslick the cool and charismatic leader and his three expert zombieologists, will lead the audience through a series of demonstrations and exercises to teach you how to fight a zombie, chose your weapon and most importantly whether a pirate, a dinosaur or Dracula should be part of your survival team. You will learn how it really only takes just a few kitchen utensils, posing as The Village People and some cheese sandwiches to thrive and survive when the undead revive. There is a lot of audience participation in this production as the cast eliminate people one by one until we are left with only those who will truly survive a zombie apocalypse! Lots of laughs and lots of fun! Auditions were held Sunday June 18.

Agnes Falls popularity continues to grow

THERE were 1250 visitors to the Agnes Falls during the month of May 2023, with total visitation has now reached 18,212 thus far.

There are four outdoor picnic tables, and the picnic shelter has two tables undercover as well as some interesting information on display.

As always, your pooches on leads are also most welcome, but remember to "pick up" after them.

If you have mobility issues and find the steps from the carpark into the picnic grounds difficult, then do keep in mind the "gap entrance" on the left side of the carpark garden bed, next to the chained vehicle entrance.

There is directional signage on view and it is highly recommend visitors take the River Walk, which is much more scenic than the shorter but steeper track.

After recent rain the Agnes River is well up alongside the River Walk, and there is a welcoming seat on the way to the falls, which are looking pretty good at this present time after recent rain!



Team Members (left) Trace Rayner, Isabel Whyte, Karen Vincent, Daryl Standfield and Bodhi Prosser on the piano.

Grand Hall Grand Piano launches

FISH Creek Memorial Hall Committee and Prom Recitals are delighted to announce Grand Hall Grand Piano – a fundraising initiative to equip the Fish Creek Memorial Hall with a gold-standard, concert-quality grand piano for use by the community and to enable renowned artists to perform concerts in the Memorial Hall.

The Fish Creek Memorial Hall has played a pivotal role in the Fish Creek community for over 90 years – hosting innumerable community celebrations, concerts, and events.

Adding a new grand piano will further enhance the

newly renovated Memorial Hall, invite the community to invest in its value and enrich its community contribution.

The community of South Gippsland is invited to contribute to amplifying music and performing arts in the area by funding a key for the new piano – individually or as a group.

Each key is \$500, and 88 keys are available to fund.

The keys from the existing Memorial Hall piano will be removed, engraved with donor names, and framed and displayed in the Memorial Hall.

There will also be an opportunity to support

the initiative by attending several events held in the Memorial Hall across the year. To fund a key for the new piano, please visit the Go Fund Me Page - <https://gofund.me/9b3039e0>

Or please contact the FMCH at - fishcreekhall@desi.net.au

Fish Creek Memorial Hall was built in 1930 and has served as a community hub ever since – hosting dances, teas, concerts, meetings, classes and much more for the town through the decades.

www.fishcreekhall.org.au

For more information on Prom Recitals, visit www.promrecitals.org.au

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Winter Cinema!



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****BassCoastFineFilmGroup****
 Sun 18 Jun 10.45am



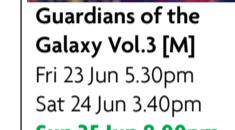
Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse [PG]
Fri 23 Jun 12.15pm



Book Club 2: The Next Chapter [M]
Tues 27 Jun 3.00pm
 Fri 30 Jun 10.00am
 Wed 5 Jul 12.45pm
 Fri 7 Jul 10.00am



Guardians of the Galaxy Vol.3 [M]
 Fri 23 Jun 5.30pm
 Sat 24 Jun 3.40pm
Sun 25 Jun 8.00pm
Fri 30 Jun 3.15pm
 Sat 1 Jul 8.15pm
 Sun 2 Jul 8.10pm
 Wed 5 Jul 5.30pm
 Thur 6 Jul 8.15pm



Renfield [MA15+]
 Fri 23 Jun 3.15pm
 Tues 27 Jun 8.00pm
 Wed 28 Jun 12.45pm
 Fri 30 Jun 8.30pm
Thur 6 Jul 6.10pm
 Fri 7 Jul 8.30pm



Super Mario Bros. Movie [PG]
 Tues 27 Jun 10.00am
 Sat 1 Jul 12.45pm
Tues 4 Jul 12.15pm
 Wed 5 Jul 3.15pm
 Sat 8 Jul 10.00am



Love Again [PG]
 Fri 23 Jun 10.00am
Sat 24 Jun 6.40pm
 Sun 25 Jun 12.45pm
 Sun 2 Jul 12.45pm
 Tues 4 Jul 10.00am
 Fri 7 Jul 3.15pm
 Wed 12 Jul 7.00pm



John Farnham: Finding the Voice [M]
 Sat 2 Jul 3.00pm
 Wed 12 July 10.00am
 Wed 12 July 5.00pm



The Little Mermaid [PG]
 Sat 24 Jun 10.00am
 Sun 25 Jun 10.00am
 Tues 27 Jun 12.15pm
Sat 1 Jul 10.00am
 Sun 2 Jul 10.00am
 Tues 4 Jul 2.30pm
Wed 5 Jul 10.00am
 Wed 6 Jul 10.00am
Fri 7 Jul 12.30pm



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Classic country cottage on 20 productive acres

SITUATED just a few minutes out of town on a quiet no through road with the coastline a stone's throw away, 36 Lawsons Road Toora offers a perfect start to country living.

Well fenced into a 10-acre paddock and nine smaller paddocks with town water to troughs, two paddock shelters and a hay shed – there is room to run stock, horses, grow vegetables or plant an orchard.

The cottage has been updated over the years whilst retaining the original features – high ceilings, polished Baltic flooring, lining boards and lead lights. The front verandah opens into a comfortable living room with wood heater set in a mantlepiece. The country kitchen includes a meals area,

walk in pantry/store room and gas stove.

There are two bedrooms which enjoy lovely rural views over the farm and a small study/tack room. The bathroom is light and bright with an adjoining laundry/utility area. A covered rear patio runs across the width of the home just the spot to sit back and barbecue on warm nights.

There is flat parking for any number of boats/caravans/cars plus a lock up double garage provides security for storing tools.

So, if you are looking for a quiet location with safe riding out on country lanes and just minutes to the boat ramp, this is well worth a look.

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Both of these allotments in their own right or collectively are ideal for lifestyle opportunities, cattle or sheep fattening, or breeding and/or dairy turnout.

Properties of this nature in such a sought after location rarely are presented to the market.

Asking price for 233 Loch – Poowong Road, Loch – \$1,250,000

Asking price for 281 Loch – Poowong Road, Loch – \$1,500,000

Offers will be considered on either individual lots or both together.

To learn more about either of these outstanding properties or to schedule a visit, please contact Don Olden at 0417 805 312 or Katrina Griggs at 0428 571 083. Inspections are available by appointment through the selling agents.



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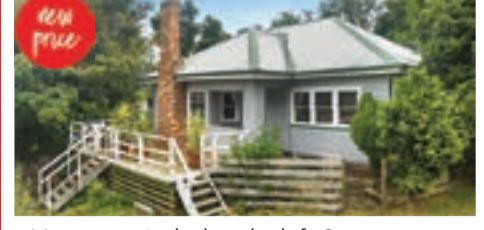
- Zoned residential with development potential
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- Beautiful gardens with ample room for activities
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The majority of the land is currently leased at \$10,000 per annum. The property is well fenced and includes three dams and stockyards.

The dwelling is currently leased separately at \$250 per week on a month-to-month arrangement.

Ideal weekend retreat or manage the land yourself and create your own small farming venture.



3 | 2 78 acres

1005 Loch-Wonthaggi Road,
Krowera

For Sale \$1,600,000

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Greg Kane 0477 020 267



Great entry point home

INVESTORS, first home buyers or growing families should inspect this home close to McIndoe Park in Leongatha.

This home is suited to those who want to get their foot in the door of a solid property market which has seen fantastic growth over a two-three-year period.

Leongatha is expanding and with a housing market still very steady; now might be the time for you to secure this home close to a large playground and very near the town's recreation facilities.

The home has three bedrooms and would suit a family due to its good-sized backyard.

Need room for storage?

Then look at the massive lock-up garage on the property which can house an extra vehicle, caravan, trailer or any range of other goods.

Parking is available off street in the entry driveway or along the front of the house.

Enter the home via a covered veranda into the lounge,

kitchen and dining area serviced by both a split system air conditioner and wood heater.

The kitchen has an electric stove, large pantry cupboards and serviceable bench space.

The dining area benefits from north facing windows allowing the sunlight in.

A passageway down the spine of the home leads firstly to a laundry on the left and separate toilet then a bathroom containing vanity, shower and deep bath.

The first bedroom is at the end of the hallway whilst opposite is the larger main bedroom and another bedroom; all containing built in robes and quality carpet.

Outside in the rear yard there's an enclosure which is suitable for pets while next to this is a covered area for wood.

Inspections are by appointment only, please contact the sales team to secure a time to view the property; Andrew Newton 0402 940 320 or Tony Giles 0407 528 192.



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- Great family home

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- Near new home, 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom
- Open plan kitchen, meals & living
- Close to schools & shops

\$639,000

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GRANTVILLE



7 Portview Avenue

- Energy Efficient Home
- Quality Fixtures and Fittings
- 3 Bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, Double Garage

\$630,000

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WONTHAGGI



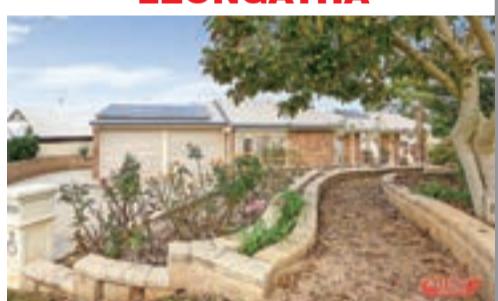
2/92 Merrin Crescent

- Best value unit in town!
- Spacious with 3 bedrooms, front location
- Fully renovated and ready to go.

\$449,000

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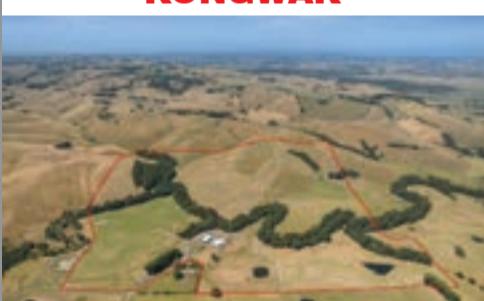
9 Noel Court

- 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom, double garage
- Beautiful home close to schools
- Great access in quiet court

\$650,000

Contact: Leongatha Office

KONGWAK



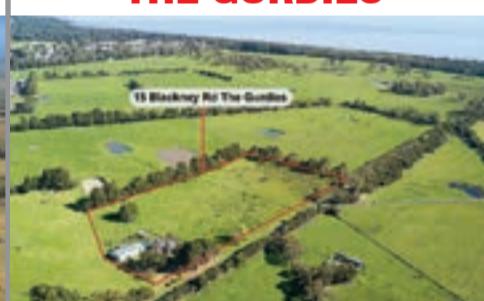
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- Quintessential Miner's cottage on full block
- Renovations started, 2 BR, Sunny aspect
- Perfect 2 lot subdivision (STCA)

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- Stunning home close to CBD
- 2 levels with elevator, 3 living rooms
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KROWERA



1005 Loch-Wonthaggi Road

- Set on approx. 78 acres - 300-degree views
- 3 bedroom home
- 3 dams and stockyards

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- Executive Style Modern Home
- Elegance throughout, Landscaped Gardens
- 5 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, 2 Car

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Lorraine and Oisin Flynn from Phillip Island Breakers were delighted to attend the FIFA women's world cup trophy visit to the Penguin Parade.



Sarah Haim and Gretel Templeton from Phillip Island Nature Parks were on hand for the FIFA visit to the Penguin Parade.



Phillip Island Nature Parks CEO, Catherine Basterfield and Bass MP Jordan Crugnale pose with the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 official mascot, Tazuni.



Gabriela Braghini and Yuri Chemale love the food at Inverloch Farmers Market, always getting some fresh produce and coffee with shopping companion Belford. A15_2523



Luke Smith of Green Gully Brewing on Phillip Island displays his gold medal winning Specialty Saison at the Inverloch Farmers Market, having won a couple of other gold medals and a bronze at the recent Australian International Brewing Awards. A16_2523



Nicki Hovenga shows a chimney cake with traditional cinnamon sugar at the Hungary Gypsy during the Inverloch Farmers Market. A17_2523



Sarah Wright from the Mornington Peninsula at the Inverloch Farmers Market to sell Cheeky Rascal Cider enjoys a moment with handsome canine companion Simba. A20_2523



Pip Callan and Elliot Delves of Griffith NSW enjoy a break at Elliot's grandmother's Inverloch beach house, visiting the local Farmers Market on Saturday with dog Joey. A19_2523

Snapped Out

Pictures of you and your friends at Phillip Island Nature Park FIFA Women's World Cup trophy parade, Carinya Lodge Men's Health Week morning tea, Inverloch Farmers Market and Wonthaggi Power's number one ticketholder presentation to Sadie Hanley.



Raymond, Rachel, Aryana and Ayesha Ronquillo from the West of Melbourne enjoy their camping trip to Inverloch, taking in Saturday's Farmers Market. A18_2523



Carinya Lodge residents Kelvin Alger and Ted Langdon with staff member Vince Lethbridge at the centre's International Men's Health Week morning tea. A12_2523



Wonthaggi Blues 1962 premiership player Peter 'Dick' Williams with the side's coach Peter McRae at a special function celebrating Sadie Hanley's contribution to that club and Wonthaggi Power. A27_2523



Ainslee Grant, Josh Olden, Peter Liddle, Angela Glover and Leigh McCrabb at the lunch for Sadie Hanley. A28_2523



Rob Allan and Giuliano Tiziani celebrate the contribution of Sadie Hanley to Wonthaggi Football Netball Club, with Giuliano describing her as a Wonthaggi Footy Club legend from an amazing family. A29_2523



Brothers Terry and Eddie Hillgrove at the Wonthaggi Football Netball Club event for Sadie Hanley, at which Eddie was guest speaker. A30_2523



MP Jordan Crugnale and Kate Harmon of Wonthaggi had an insightful night at the Voices 4 Monash forum. Photo: Courtesy of Phillip Island and San Remo Advertiser



Marg Lynn and Gayle Margaret from South Gippsland for YES! Enjoyed the Voices 4 Monash forum last week. Photo: Courtesy of Phillip Island and San Remo Advertiser



Sisters Lyn Potter and Margaret Hunter celebrate the accomplishments of Sadie Hanley, with Margaret recalling the days of the Wonthaggi Blues. A31_2523



Greg Allan presents Conventional winner Adrian Tilling (right) with the Agco trophy.

State and National ploughing contests

THE State and National Ploughing contests were held in Larpent on June 1 – 3.

The Victorian State contest was held on Thursday, June 1.

The National on Friday, June 2, Saturday June 3.

Once again, the West Gippsland Ploughing Association held its head high sending seven ploughmen to represent our area.

They either ploughed Conventional, Reversible or Vintage.

It was the largest contest for a long time due to the pause over the past few years, with the contests recommencing last year in Tasmania.

Local Brett Morrison ploughed in his first contest and did a better plot than most new ploughmen. He was awarded for his efforts winning the judges award in the State contest, the Cam Banks trophy and the John Wyke trophy.

He ploughed with his grandfather Alex Morrison's plough.

State results:

Conventional: 1st Scott Loughridge (Poowong), 2nd Adrian Tilling (Poowong), 3rd Shayne Neal (Cape Otway).

Reversible: 1st Ian Smith (Rocklyn), 2nd Pryde Inglis (Poowong).

Vintage: 1st Peter Gardiner (Colac), 2nd Peter Gardiner (Colac), 3rd Greig Barry (Loch).

National results:

Conventional: 1st Adrian Tilling (Poowong), 2nd Shayne Neal (Cape Otway), 3rd Scott Loughridge (Poowong).

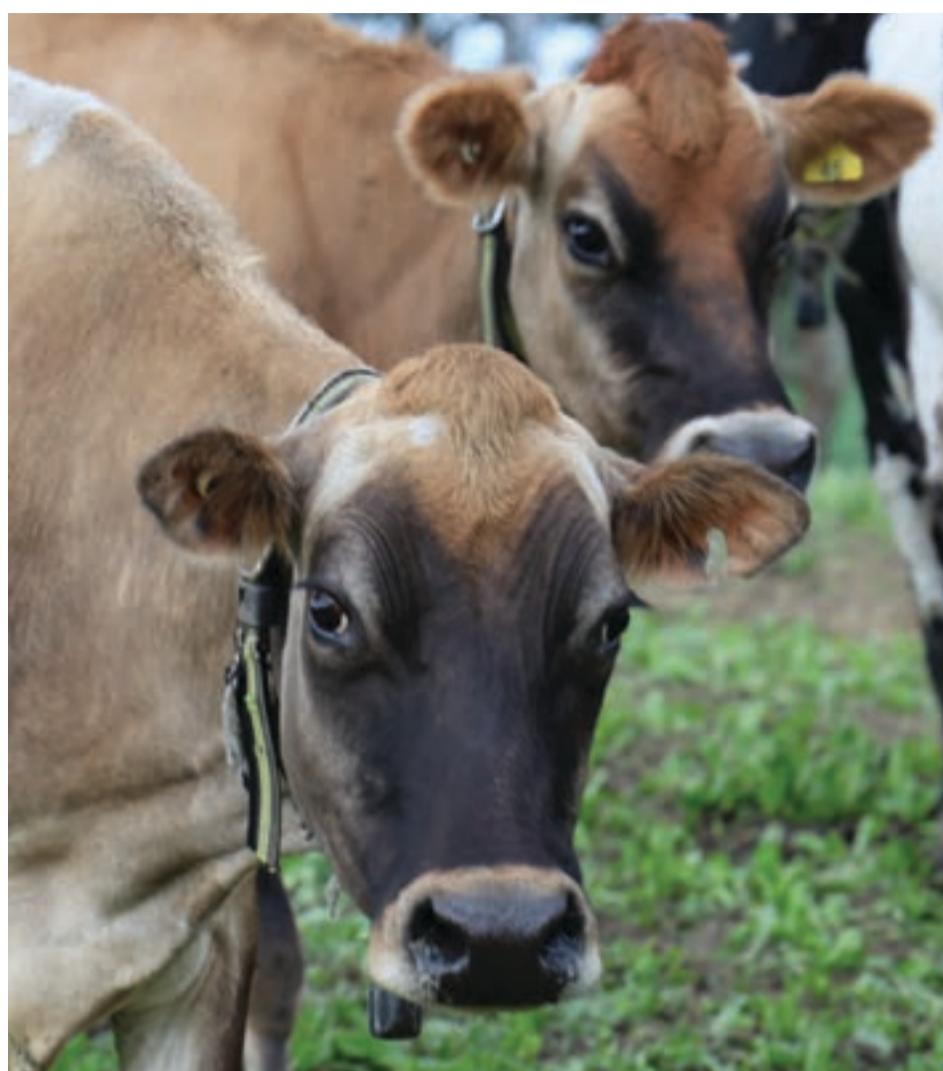
Reversible: 1st Ian Smith (Rocklyn), 2nd Pryde Inglis (Drouin).

Vintage: Russell Sanders finished 5th in his first National contest and Greig Barry 7th.

Ploughmen travelled from Tasmania, NSW, Vic and WA with three even travelling across the Nullarbor with their tractors to compete.

Adrian will now travel to Estonia in 2024 to represent Australia in the World Contest in the conventional section.

Plans are also underway to hold the National ploughing contest in Western Australia in 2024.



Burra, Fonterra, Bega make quick adjustments

PROCESSORS left it to the last minute to announce opening farmgate prices on June 1 but there have already been some adjustments since then.

Initial opening prices averaged around \$8.92/Kg MS, 6.6 per cent above last season's opening but almost five per cent down on 2022/23 closing prices.

Saputo, opening in the range of \$8.90kgMS to \$9.05kgMS and Burra Foods \$8.50 to \$9.00/kg set the standard, and others, including Fonterra and Bega, have adjusted to meet the competition for supply.

Fonterra Australia offered an opening price of \$8.65kgMS before increasing to \$9kgMS.

Bega opened at \$8.80kgMS before announcing the addition of a weighted average Australian fresh premium of \$0.20kgMS for Victorian, Riverina NSW and south-east South Australian suppliers.

Now Burra Foods have announced an increase to its Financial Year 24 Opening Milk Price. They released the good news at supplier meetings held last Tuesday and Wednesday of 20c/kgMS.

Burra's revised FY24 Opening Milk Price Range is now \$8.70-\$9.20/kgMS.

Positive seasonal conditions are expected to result in 2023/24 Australian milk production of around 8.8.1 billion litres.

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Promising results but Hoodies still at risk

LAST month South Gippsland Landcare Network came together with agencies, land managers and volunteers that have worked tirelessly to protect the Hooded plover population from Phillip Island to Corner Inlet.

The 2022/23 breeding season has come to an end, and they took a moment to share the success and learn from the challenges.

Overall, it has been a successful season with above-average chicks making it to fledge, primarily along the Bass coast.

While the stats are still being evaluated there is a strong indication that this success was largely a reflection of the fox control that targeted this region.

Nesting birds continue to face challenges from foxes and bird predation, this year they also observed many nest failures due to human disturbance, storms, and tidal inundation.

The campaign to educate beach users of how to share the beach with these birds continues to be highly relevant.

They are still working with Birdlife to recruit volunteers to report on bird activity during the breeding season.

This year, thanks to the dedication from a small number of volunteers, they were able to collect data on 7 breeding pairs of 44 identified.

This data informs better management decisions and targeted intervention to ensure these birds have the best chance of breeding success.

If you visit the beach regularly over spring and summer and are interested in beach nesting birds, Landcare and BirdLife Australia would love your help.



Bug hotels made from old milk cartons and filled with pinecones and sticks were made for the school garden.



The grade fives and sixes were helping the younger ones to paint the wood off cuts which would create the fairy garden. ob02_2423

School celebrates environment day



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POOWONG Consolidated School celebrated World Environment Day with paper making, painting, tie dyeing, making seed bombs and eating soup.

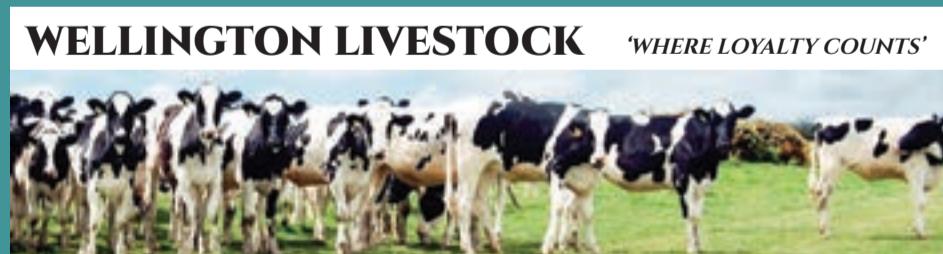
The idea was for the students to connect with the environment, help with biodiversity and create something new by repurposing discarded or natural materials.

Despite rain showers, there was a buzz of excitement among the chil-

dren and lots of colourful activity happening.

The grade five and six students were showing great responsibility and leadership skills by helping and guiding the younger children.

The students were getting their hands wet with shredded paper, wildflower seeds and pieces of mesh to make small pieces of paper for Christmas gift tags.



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Down cow workshop

IF YOU have ever had a down cow and didn't know what to do or are looking for better ways to manage it when it occurs, workshops will be held in Mirboo and Yarram.

Dr. Phil Poulton, Senior Veterinarian from Gippsland Veterinary Group will be holding two practical on-farm workshops about how to manage down cows.

Phil conducted extensive research into downer cow management for Dairy Australia, which led to him completing a PhD and is recognised as a world leader in this field.

A 'down' cow is any cow that is unable to stand unassisted. Cows may go down for many reasons, and at any stage of their lactation cycle, although it most commonly occurs around calving time.

"Once a cow has been recumbent for a day or two, no matter the original cause, they are very prone to secondary damage to the musculoskeletal system from the pressure. This secondary damage often becomes the main feature of their condition and the reason from them not recovering.

The quality of the nursing care provided to the down cow is the main driver of both likelihood of secondary damage occurring and of their eventual fate," Phil said.

"This practical seminar covers the management of down cows including primary causes, secondary damage, 'gold standard' nursing, lifting advice and euthanasia."

Phil has presented his findings at seminars and conferences to farmers and veterinarians in Australia and overseas.

Down cows need to be treated appropriately and nursed at a high standard to maximise their chance of recovery.

Poor nursing makes them very susceptible to secondary damage, which will delay or prevent their recovery.

Australian research has demonstrated that the quality of nursing is highly correlated to the chance of secondary damage occurring and to her final outcome.

Learn more about this important issue by attending one of the free workshops.

For those unable to attend, there are a number of resources available on the Dairy Australia website on this topic, researched and written by Phil Poulton.

To find out more or to register, go to the following website address: <https://ow.ly/iu0450OIGyL> for the Mirboo workshop to be held on Thursday, June 22 or <https://ow.ly/ie3t500IGyM> for the Yarram workshop, to be held on Wednesday, June 28.

Practical workshops held by Veterinarian Phil Poulton will cover the management of down cows including primary causes, secondary damage, 'gold standard' nursing, lifting advice and euthanasia.

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20 Ang & BB Steers, 15-18 Mths

A/c T Lee, Boolarra (NUTRIEN)

20 Ang Steers, 15 Mths

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A/c Kruger Corp, Glenburn (SEJ)

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80 Angus & BB Mixed Sex, 12-14 Mths

A/c Von Pace Pastoral, Giffard (NUTRIEN)

80 Ang Mixed Sex Weaners, 12-13 Mths

A/c Whelan's Run, Glengarry (NUTRIEN)

60 Hereford Mixed Sex, 9-10 Mths

A/c D & J Holt Boolarra, (ELDERS)

45 Angus Mixed Sex Weaners, 9-10mths

Te Mania Blood

A/c Walker & Mason, Krowera (NUTRIEN)

40 Ang Mixed Sex Weaners, 12 Mths, By Black Spur Angus

A/c Cambridge & Carter (ELDERS)

40 Angus Mix Sex Weaners, 6 - 8 Mths, Te Mania & Leawood Blood

A/c J & L Fiddelaers, Leongatha (NUTRIEN)

30 Ang Mixed Sex, 10 Mths, By Battersby Bulls & AI Sires

A/c CJ Farr P/L, Labertouche (NUTRIEN)

30 Ang Steers, 8-9 Mths

A/c D Jerram, Leongatha (NUTRIEN)

25 Angus Steers, 10 Mths, Millah Murrah & Rennylea Blood, EU & NE Accred. GF, VB & ABF, Full Vaccinated & Drenched Cydectin Platinum, very quiet

A/c P & V Milner (ELDERS)

24 Angus Weaners, 10 Mths Weaned 5 Weeks, Battersby Blood

A/c A & K Gilbert (ELDERS)

20 Angus Steer Weaners, 10 Mths, VB, Weaned & Quiet, GF & ABF

A/c Clark Cattle Co, Mirboo Nth (ALEX SCOTT)

18 Angus Steers, 12 Mths, Weaned, by Stud Fernleigh Bulls

A/c Kings Park, Pound Creek (SEJ)

15 Angus & Angus X Heifers 12-14 Mths

A/c Jane Vale, Toora Nth (SEJ)

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A/c R & E Slade, Archies Creek (ALEX SCOTT)

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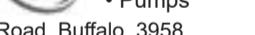
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ARNOLD, John Edward: 01.08.1941 - 08.06.2023. Passed away peacefully. Dearly loved husband of Joyce. Loving father of Susan, Kerry and Barry, Lynette, Trevor, and Helen. Grandpa/Grumpy of 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. Now at Peace.	BURNS, Barry: 14.10.1967 - 18.06.2023. Fond memories of all the good times together. Reunited with your loving mum. Loved nephew of Debbie, Wayne and family.	De VRIES, Nicolaas (Nic): 29.03.1933 - 09.06.2023. Reunited with wife Jannet (dec.). Loved father of Corrie, friend of Graeme. Loved Opa of Allan, Kylie, and Nicolaas (dec.) and six great grandchildren. Silent thoughts of our times together.	LAING (nee Adkins), Esma Joyce: 03.12.1928 - 10.06.2023. 94 1/2 years. Passed away peacefully at Hillside Lodge, Korumburra. Loved wife of James (Jim) Miller and Peter (Wyc) Laing (both dec.). Dearly loved mother of Alex, Jenny, Peter and Kerry. Mother-in-law of Heather.	LAING, (formerly Miller, nee Adkins), Esma Joyce: 03.12.1928 - 10.06.2023. Loved mother of Jenny Varone, mother-in-law of Mike (dec). Nan to Simon and partner Claire. "Gran Nan" to Mia and Willow. A Long, healthy life well lived. We will cherish our memories and happy times.	McDONALD (nee Hitchings), Rosemary: Loved sister and sister-in-law of Bob and Dorothy (both dec.). Loving Auntie of Pam, Jill, Ian, and families. Sleep peacefully.	SHELLCOT, Valda Edith: 9.01.1927 - 16.06.2023. Loved wife of Jack (dec.). Mother and mother-in-law to Gerry and Robert, Nanette, Brett and Jo. Gran to Cara and Paul, Jack and Doug. Great Gran to Max, Lucy and Remi. Rest in Peace, reunited with Dad.
BROWN, Edith Joy: 18.10.1933 - 11.06.2023. Passed away peacefully. Beloved wife of Max (dec.). Loved mother of Geoff, Wendy, Jenny, Rob, and their families. Special nanna and great nanna to all her grandchildren.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: The President, Committee, and Members of the Probus Club of Corinella and Districts Inc. are saddened by the passing of a loved member. Our sincere condolences to Graeme and family.	De VRIES, Nicolaas (Nico): 29.03.1933 - 09.06.2023. Passed away peacefully. Loved husband of Jannet (dec.). Loving Dad to Lee, Corrie, Hilda, Ric, Monica, and their partners. Adored Opa/Grandpa to all his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Peacefully resting with Mum.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: Happy memories of our days out to the pictures, we had great times. We love you and will miss you. The Picture Girls. -- Ann, Rita and Heather.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: 01.04.1936 - 17.06.2023. Son of Percy and Isobel (both dec.). Brother of Nancy, Bill, Ed, Bob, Hugh (all dec.). Adoring husband of Brigitta (dec.).	HALLIDAY, John Angus: 01.04.1936 - 17.06.2023. At peace. Re-united with Brigitta.	LOVE, Lindsay Stephen: Passed away suddenly on June 16, 2023, aged 73, after extremely brief knowledge of stage 4 cancer. A very much loved husband of Judy, father and father-in-law of Ryan and Karen, Amy and Paul, Kieran, and Amy. Grandfather of seven. A man of immense integrity, honesty, and compassion. Off for a final bike ride.
BURNS, Barry Thomas: 14.10.1967 - 18.06.2023. Fond nephew of Robert (dec.), Max (dec.) and Terri. Cousin of Darren, Shannon, Tania, Paul and their families. We cannot bring the old days back. When we spent so much time together. But the memories made along life's road will be with us forever. You fought a hard battle Baz. Now back in your mum's arms.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: Respected member of the Bass Valley friends of the RSL. Will be sadly missed. Deepest sympathies to Graeme and family.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: Cherished friend of our family. Much loved and admired. Sincere condolences to Graeme and family. -- Paula, Alan, and family.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: Father and father-in-law of Stephen and Bernadene, Tamara (Tammy) and Gavin. Grandad of Hugh and Kira, Samantha and Jacob, Glen and Jess.	HALLIDAY, John: The president, board and members of the Korumburra Bowling Club are saddened to learn of the passing of our former member sincere condolences to his family.	LOVE, Lindsay: Dearly loved mother of Alex, loving grandmother of Greg, David and Debbie and 11 great grandchildren. So proud to have been able to call you Mum. Re-united with Dad. Mum, thank you for your unwavering love always. You were always there to help and support us in anyway you could. I will miss my No. 1 supporter of my cricketing adventures.	LOVE, Lindsay: Deepest sympathy to Judy, Ryan, Amy and Kieran and families on the loss of our life member Lindsay. A tremendous contributor to the Leongatha Cycling Club who will be sadly missed.
BURNS, Barry Thomas (Uncle Baz): Passed away peacefully on 18.06.2023. You will remain forever in our hearts. Rest in Peace. -- Love always Pete, Jo, Jess, Brendan, Tye, Ruby and Noah	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: Members of the Wonthaggi Branch of the Liberal Party mourn the passing of our long term and highly valued member, Noleen. Condolences to Graeme and family.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: Dad and Grandad, Thanks for all your help and guidance and not forcing us to be Carlton supporters. May you Rest in Peace, together with Mum again. -- Stephen and Berny, Glen and Jess	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: At peace. Re-united with Brigitta.	LOVE, Lindsay: The memories we have shared with you are etched in our hearts forever. Till we meet again, you are forever in our hearts.	LOVE, Lindsay: All the words in this world cannot express everything you mean to us. -- Kerry, Teresa, Jeremy and Roxanne and partners.	LOVE, Lindsay: Dearly loved wife of Stan (dec.). Loved mother of Barbara and Kevin, Rodney (dec.) and Pierina. Loved grandmother of Kylie and Hans, Simone and David, Scott and Bridie. Loved Mama to James, Grace, William, Dustan, Tess, Declan, Zara and Adeline. "Now resting peacefully with her loving Stan and Rodney"
BURNS, Barry Thomas: 18.06.2023. We didn't get to say goodbye. But we know you are now out of pain and at peace in your mums' arms. Loved nephew of Judith and Allan, cousins Vicki, Greg and Families.	COMBRIDGE, Noleen: 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.handleyandersonfunerals.com.au A.F.D.A.	Handley & Anderson Locally owned and operated by Scott & Sharon Anderson 5672 1074	Handley & Anderson Locally owned and operated by Scott & Sharon Anderson 5672 1074	MILKINS FUNERALS Inc. Wonthaggi Funeral Services. Est 1973. ~ Servicing all districts ~ ~ Chapel facilities available ~	MILKINS FUNERALS Inc. Wonthaggi Funeral Services. Est 1973. ~ Servicing all districts ~ ~ Chapel facilities available ~	MILKINS FUNERALS Inc. Wonthaggi Funeral Services. Est 1973. ~ Servicing all districts ~ ~ Chapel facilities available ~
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BURNS:

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We all love you and miss you.

Keep shining Mum. Love Michelle xoxo

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HUGHES, Steven John:

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REDFERN, Brian Forrest:

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- The ability to work effectively in a team environment.
- An interest in working outdoors and ability to learn use of a range of tools, plant and equipment.
- Ability to learn and apply safe work practices
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- Fixed Term (2 Years) Full Time
- Starting Location: Various including Wonthaggi, Leongatha, Korumburra and Toora
- Flexible Working Arrangements Available
- Trainee Wage Level A

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Applications Close Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 5pm



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An exciting opportunity has become available for the position of Document Controller, reporting to the Contract & Compliance Manager. This role is based in Wonthaggi and will work within our Contract & Compliance Team to provide operational support and maintenance of the Watersure document control system. This role will assist in the development of controlled documents, and provide individual support in document creation, formatting, and review. The Document Controller will collaborate closely with all plant personnel to deliver plans, procedures, drawings and associated documents.

As an ideal applicant for this opportunity, you'll have a minimum of 1 years' experience in a similar position and experience in Document Control using an accredited Business or Quality Management System. You will have a high level of attention to detail and exceptional written and verbal communication skills.

What we can offer you:

- Join a warm culture that fosters inclusiveness and achievements
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Applications close Friday 14 July 2023.

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Grade 2

1.0 EFT (EFT negotiable up to full time)

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Grade 2

1.0 EFT (EFT negotiable up to full time)

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EN Level 2.1-2.7

1.0 EFT (EFT negotiable up to full time)

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Grade 1 (with experience) or Grade 2
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Grade 1 or Grade 2
(Depending on experience)
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Further information enquiries to:

Jodie McNamara
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Please send your resume to careers@ttmi.com.au

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action Land Act 1958.

Notice of intention to grant license for the purpose of grazing/riparian management.

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action to grant a license under Section 130 of the Land Act 1958 to:

- A Simpson over Water Frontage to the Tarwin River West Branch Lot 1 TP755942, Parish of Allambee East.

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Part time position – 3 days a week

About us:

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The job:

We are currently seeking a dynamic Practice Manager with strong leadership and organisational skills to join our recently expanded team.

This position would suit someone seeking flexible part time work. Approximately 20 hours per week including availability for 8am starts or 7pm finishes.

Key responsibilities:

- Manage the day-to-day operations of the clinic and ensure that it is running efficiently and effectively.
- Lead and manage a team of sixteen healthcare professionals and five front desk staff.
- Develop and implement policies and procedures.
- Liaise with external stakeholders, such as suppliers and regulatory bodies.
- Oversee staff training and development.
- Maintaining practice policies and accreditation.
- Manage patient feedback and complaints in a timely and professional manner.

Preferred skills and requirements:

- Previous experience as a Healthcare Practice Manager or Senior Receptionist.
- Strong leadership and people management skills.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Understanding of healthcare regulations and standards.
- Excellent presentation and a professional manner.
- A positive and professional attitude to engage a whole team approach, and strong interpersonal skills.

To apply, please submit your resume and a cover letter outlining your experience and qualifications and email it to: ali@leongathahhealthhub.com.au



THE BASS COAST ARTISTS' SOCIETY - A 3365V
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
– 2.30 PM Monday July 3rd 2023
LOCATION – The Goods Shed via Big W car park, Wonthaggi.



Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Bass Coast Artists' Society (BCAS) will be held on Monday July 3rd, 2023, commencing at 2.30pm. Anyone interested is invited.

Members, Artists, supporters and community minded people, this is your opportunity to have your say. Check out where we are headed and our five year roadmap to get there. See where we fit into the bigger picture. **Only financial members are able to vote.**

If you can't attend yourself and you are a financial member, another member can vote on your behalf, once you have filled out a proxy form which will soon be available for you to complete and return before 4pm on Friday June 30, 2023.

The positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Committee Members are all up for election. We would be delighted to receive your nomination. You can nominate yourself or have someone else nominate you as long as you agree to it. Forms are available on our website or via email to [\(bcartistssociety@gmail.com\)](mailto:(bcartistssociety@gmail.com))

All nominations and proxy forms must be received by no later than 4pm Friday June 30th 2023. These should be sent by return email or by post to Post Office Box 571, Wonthaggi VIC 3995. Although we will do everything necessary to ensure appropriate social distancing etc we understand that some of you may not wish to attend in person. As such, please let us know by July 2nd so we can organise your simple Zoom meeting connection. Easy to follow instructions will be sent to people who register.

Questions for the Committee, to be included on the Agenda, will be accepted by the Society prior to close of business on Friday 30 June. Please let me know if you are planning to attend in person so we can arrange the seating in a way that ensures we are complying with requirements.

Geoff Ellis,

0403917746 (text only)

President: Bass Coast Artists' Society [\(bcartistssociety@gmail.com\)](mailto:(bcartistssociety@gmail.com))

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Emma with clinical educator Linda Fiddelaers. Linda was Emma's graduate preceptor and has been a major influence in her nursing journey.

Nurse Unit Manager feels at home

GIPPSLAND Southern Health Service's new general ward nurse unit manager (NUM) Emma Graham is feeling right at home in her new role.

Emma started her nursing career at GSHS and her return to the senior NUM role has been a real homecoming.

"I've received a really warm welcome home from all the staff," she said.

Emma started as a personal care assistant at Hillside Lodge during her last year of study to become a registered nurse.

Born and raised at nearby Kongwak, Emma completed her studies in 2014 as part of the last intake at Monash University's Churchill campus, now Federation University.

After completing her nursing graduate year across both campuses of GSHS, she started working at the Korumburra hospital, including some in-charge shifts, but was keen to develop her skills in general nursing.

"I really liked my placement in Leongatha on the general ward so I was eager to come back across," she said. "I worked as an associate NUM of the general ward and I really enjoyed working alongside the nursing staff and the medical team."

Emma looked for new challenges and relocated to Bass Coast Health for four years. "I branched out and worked in community health, working as NUM of the District and Palliative Care Team and then as the senior program manager of Community Nursing Services," she said.

However, she felt the call a little closer to home and when the position of NUM came up at GSHS, she was quick to jump at the opportunity.

"My favourite time in my career was working as an associate nurse unit manager and being in the busy hustle of it all," she said. "There's something unique about what we have here. You're in charge of the day-to-day running of the general ward, including midwifery, the urgent care centre, and chemotherapy day unit, and you're working as part of a great team in collaboration with the GPs."

"I love it because it's local people looking after locals and there's something in that that you just can't get elsewhere. We're all here for the same reason and that's our patients," she said.

"I'm mindful of the need to support staff to make sure we are well placed to care for our patients."

Emma also hopes to continue to build on GSHS's relationships with other local regional health services, to continue to deliver quality care for the community.

Recognising elder abuse

VIBRANT purple outfits and cupcake icing added a fun element to what was a serious information session at Korumburra's Carinya Lodge aged care centre on Thursday, with residents and community members hearing about the many forms elder abuse takes.

The morning tea was timed to coincide with World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

With the scheduled guest speaker unable to attend, leisure and wellbeing coordinator Lyn Mayo delivered an informative talk, running through the various forms elder abuse takes, from the highly apparent to more subtle varieties.

"Elder abuse is an act which causes harm to an elder person, carried out by someone they know and possibly trust," Lyn told her audience.

She explained that abuse may be verbal or physical but can be emotional, financial or social, and also includes neglect.

Lyn provided an example of the latter, saying if a storm has cut off elderly parents' electricity preventing them from heating their home and cooking and their children knowingly fail to check on them for several days, that would constitute neglect.

To illustrate social abuse, she spoke of behaviours that cause elderly people to become socially isolated, including deliberate actions such as



Secretary of Coal Creek Probus Club Helen Taylor was interested to learn how to identify elder abuse and assist anyone subjected to it. A09_2523

preventing contact with family and friends, or withholding mail.

Lyn explained social abuse also takes less obvious forms such as organising to have a parent's driver's licence removed, preventing them from getting to golf, then continually failing to drive them there despite having promised to do so.

She stressed it is not the golf that is most important but the social isolation that results from not being able to attend the club.

Emotional abuse includes acts such as pressuring, bullying or name calling.

Attendees watched a video depicting financial abuse, with

a son taking money from his elderly parents to spend on himself rather than paying their bills, and tricking his father into signing over funds to him.

Lyn ran through signs of elder abuse to watch for and available help services for those experiencing it or knowing someone who is, noting that staff at places such as the local Milpara Community House can help put people in touch with the right services.

Carinya's executive assistant to the CEO Sarah Jackson organised the morning tea and information session, saying the goal was to raise awareness for the whole community.

"Elder abuse can be silent and not necessarily right in your face and it's important to get the message into the community to look in on the elderly," Sarah said.

Secretary of Coal Creek Probus Club Helen Taylor came to learn more about how to identify potential elder abuse and provide assistance.

"I deal with a lot of elderly people and want to find out more about what could happen and what is happening," Helen said before the session.

Afterwards she described the information provided as "thought provoking", being surprised to learn that elder abuse is defined as including more subtle actions such as an unwanted hug or neglect through failing to check up on elderly family members.

When the session ended, talk turned to the upcoming Men's Health Week morning tea for male staff and residents, with a female resident quick to show she had been paying attention.

"That sounds like abuse," she said of the lack of an invitation for women, with the laughter in the room proving there is still room for a little good-natured banter even when the subject is serious.

Available help for those experiencing or witnessing elder abuse:

Seiors Rights Victoria - For help to address or prevent elder abuse call 1300 368 821.

Calls for input to the Visioning Survey

FROM June 19, Phillip Island and San Remo residents, businesses, community groups, students, traditional owners, and government stakeholders across the region are invited to provide their thoughts and ideas about the future of the Phillip Island and San Remo visitor economy.

An online visioning survey will aim to gather insights about the strengths, challenges, and opportunities of the region to guide the development of an updated Phillip Island and San Remo Destination Management Plan (DMP).

The updated plan will provide a long-term roadmap that:

- Builds upon the insights and activity the region has been working towards through the current Phillip Island and San Remo Destination Management Plan 2030 (published in 2016)
- Supports the recently launched Experience Victoria 2033 vision set by the State, and
- Establishes evidence-based strategic actions for the sustainable growth and development of the destination - balancing the economic, social and environmental priorities of the region.

This Project will be underpinned by ongoing engage-

ment and consultation with community and industry stakeholders, including local industry and community groups, Destination Phillip Island, Bass Coast Shire Council, Visit Victoria, and State Government, to ensure that all parties are working towards common goals.

Australian Tourism Planning Consultants, The Tourism Collective have been appointed to lead the development of the updated Phillip Island and San Remo Destination Management Plan.

This project is being led by Destination Phillip Island and is supported by the

Department of Jobs Skills Industry and Regions, Bass Coast Shire Council and overseen by a Steering Group of stakeholders.

Destination Phillip Island will be drafting regular updates on the progress of the project. For more information or to sign up to get updates, register your email address on the DMP information page at destinationphillipisland.org.au

The survey will open from the June 19 and will close on July 4. The link to the survey will be available at destinationphillipisland.org.au.

Don't let Incontinence stop you from enjoying life



The Continence team at Bass Coast Health participated in a prostate cancer awareness event hosted by Wonthaggi Rotary Club recently. From left, Ebony Scott, Joanne Sawyers and Dianne Jones.

want to tell their story to the nurse and want to be 'heard'.

The nurse is able to validate your concerns and provide advice on how to improve and manage.

"We provide services at the Phillip Island Health Hub, from

Wonthaggi Hospital and home visits where needed."

Patient Beverly Bowker said of the service, "It's an excellent service and saves me from having to travel elsewhere for care. I like being able to have done what I need to have done with-

out having to travel to a metropolitan hospital."

The BCH service is staffed Monday to Friday across the two sites. To book, phone 5671 3353. The service is free and no GP referral is needed. Team members also take their continence messages to the community.

In May, they attended a prostate cancer awareness event hosted by the Wonthaggi Rotary Club at the Wonthaggi Club.

The Continence team remains up-to-date with the latest in urological care.

They attended the Australasian Urological Society's conference in Melbourne in February this year and participated in world class workshops about such topics as nocturia (waking at night to pass urine), urodynamics, prostate problems and bladder cancer.



Mirboo North Auskicker's as the volunteers running this week's parkrun event included Fletcher Banks, Arlo Turner, Angus Massaro, Henry Collins, Zeffie Collins, Oakley Dalliston, Ziggy Holland and Mo Collins.

Grand Ridge Rail Trail parkrun

Run Report by Angus Massaro

GRAND Ridge Rail Trail parkrun celebrated its 150th event, complete with a delicious cake over the weekend. There was a buzz in the air, as an energetic bunch of 'Aus Kickers' in their footy gear took on the volunteer roles this week.

Run report by Angus Massaro- Aged 7. What was the weather like? Cold, about 10 degrees, and partly cloudy.

How many people participated? A total of 35 people.

What was the fastest time? Leon McDonald with 21:44. That's fast!

Were there any dogs? Yes, there were three dogs.

Where did people come from? There were lots of people from Mirboo North as well as Inverloch, Churchill, and Reservoir.

Did people have fun? Yes! I know this because I heard people saying they had a good time, and people were smiling.

What is your favourite thing about parkrun?

"The socialising, and it encourages people to exercise" – Linda Zhang

"Talking to everyone, a bit of running and it's fun!" – Julie Trease

"Running, and the cake" – Mo Collins

What do you like about the Grand Ridge parkrun course?

"The terrain is fantastic, you almost have to plan two runs, the run down, and the run back up" – Dave Knowles

"The trail is beautiful; the forest and the scenery are simply stunning" - Sam Cronk (Kennington Reservoir)

"The bush and the trees, it's serene" – Pat Zanella and dog Marley (Inverloch)

Run Report by Arlo Turner – Age 8.

On Saturday, June 17, it was the Grand Ridge Rail Trail 150th parkrun.

The sun was shining through the trees, but it was still freezing cold. Lots of people were wearing cosy beanies and plenty wearing footy clothes.

It was the 150th parkrun event for Mirboo North which is a special milestone, so we had a colourful rainbow cake to celebrate. The cake had marshmallows smarties and frosting on it.

This week, kids from Mirboo North Auskick volunteered with jobs like photographers, tail walker, barcode scanning and more. It was lots of fun because we got to wear special vests and it was good exercise.

I spotted a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel and two border collies. They were really cute.

There were 35 total park runners with the fastest being Leon McDonald with a time of 21:44. There was even a special 1.5 kilometre run for the kids and I came first and Oakley was right behind me.



Director of Bridgewater Marine Wes Cahill, James Stirton of Bass Coast Shire Council, Cr David Rooks, Minister for Outdoor Recreation Sonya Kilkenny, Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale, and Director of Better Boating Victoria Katherine Grech on site at the Cowes boat ramp announcing the construction of the upgrade. Z09_2523

Construction underway for Cowes boat ramp upgrade

FISHERS and boaters will benefit from better facilities and improved launching access at the Cowes boat ramp, with the \$2.8 million construction project now underway.

The project tender was awarded to Bridgewater Marine and Director Wes Cahill has the team on-site with all areas fenced off and construction to be completed by October this year.

The Minister for Outdoor Recreation Sonya Kilkenny visited the site on Friday afternoon and said the project will extend and raise the existing ramp to provide boaters better access at a greater range of tides and manage sand accumulation.

The adjoining jetty will

also be extended to create more space for temporarily tied boats and the lower landing raised to improve access to and from vessels.

Better Boating Victoria has overseen the design of the upgrade alongside Bass Coast Shire Council.

While the council oversees the works, boaters are encouraged to use the recently redeveloped Rhyll boat ramp to get out on the water. The \$4.5 million ramp was completed last year and features a new three-lane concrete ramp, additional parking, and fixed and floating pontoon jetties.

Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale was in attendance on Friday afternoon to view the site and said they are investing

in boating facilities here on Millowl-Phillip Island and around Western Port.

Bass Coast Shire Council are working towards the funding for the Rhyll sea wall and an announcement for that upgrade to complete the Rhyll project will be announced shortly.

Minister for Outdoor Recreation Sonya Kilkenny also discussed the roll out of funding for marine education in schools which will allocate rods and tackle to primary school children to get them outdoors and involved in recreational activities.

For more information on the Cowes Boat Ramp upgrade visit engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/cowesboatrampupgrade

Duursma named in Vic Country best

THE 2023 AFL Under 18 National Championships started at the weekend with Vic Country up against South Australia at IKON Park on Sunday.

Three up and coming South Gippslanders were in the Vic Country squad, including four Gippsland Power players; #9 Zane Duursma (Foster), #22 Archer Reid (Inverloch-Kongwak), #35 Wil Dawson (Leongatha) and #40 Lachlan Smith (Warragul).

However, while Vic Country started well, South Australia ultimately came over the top of them to win by 19 points.

Of the Victorian players mentioned in reports, No.1 draft prospect Harley Reid was best with three first-quarter goals but also

Zane Duursma collecting 20 possessions, including six clearances, described as "busy in the midfield" in the official AFL report.

Final scores Vic Country 11.9.75 lost to South Australia 15.4.94.

Games to follow: Vic Country vs Western Australia Friday, June 30, 6pm at the WACA (WA), Vic Country vs Allies Sunday, July 9, 1.35pm at RSEA Park and Vic Country vs Vic Metro Saturday, July 15, 10.35am at IKON Park.

RIGHT: Zane Duursma in action during the 2023 AFL National Championships match between Vic Country and South Australia at IKON Park on June 18, 2023. Picture: Graham Denholm/AFL Photos.



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	June 20
▲ 12.35am	1.44m
▼ 6.45am	0.39m
▲ 2.01pm	1.72m
▼ 7.23pm	0.88m

WEDNESDAY	June 21
▲ 1.20am	1.45m
▼ 7.28am	0.39m
▲ 2.40pm	1.72m
▼ 8.04pm	0.84m

THURSDAY	June 22
▲ 2.01am	1.45m
▼ 8.09am	0.41m
▲ 3.15pm	1.70m
▼ 8.45pm	0.81m

FRIDAY	June 23
▲ 2.42am	1.44m
▼ 8.47am	0.45m
▲ 3.47pm	1.67m
▼ 9.23pm	0.79m

SATURDAY	June 24
▲ 3.22am	1.43m
▼ 9.23am	0.49m
▲ 4.19pm	1.65m
▼ 10.01pm	0.76m

SUNDAY	June 25
▲ 4.01am	1.40m
▼ 9.58am	0.55m
▲ 4.50pm	1.62m
▼ 10.38pm	0.74m

MONDAY	June 26
▲ 4.44am	1.38m
▼ 10.30am	0.62m
▲ 5.22pm	1.58m
▼ 11.14pm	0.71m

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Olivia takes out Victorian Equestrian Interschool Series 2023 Progressive Championship

OLIVIA Curtain won the Victorian Equestrian Interschool Series 95 Progressive Championship on Indi's Mr Zorba Jones at Werribee Park on Saturday.

This series of four events started in January 2023 and Olivia has been very consistent with both her ponies, with Xcella also right up there with a fifth overall in the series.

For a 12-year-old riding at her first competition in Feb 2021 at Boneo Park, she has now successfully won the VEIS Series three years in a row, Freshman's in 2021 on Dalgangle Hugs & Kisses, Encourage 2022 on Mr Jones and now the Progressive 2023 on Mr Jones.

Olivia has shown incredible tenacity, persistence and patience to achieve her equestrian goals. Her bond and relationship with her horses along with the love, care and support they give each other shows in the results.

Olivia is also so excited to be part of the Newhaven College team that came eighth out of 95 Victorian Schools in the overall School Championship.

Olivia had already qualified Mr Jones for the Nationals in October for the second year in a row, so with him being already qualified she has now been invited to attend the Nationals with Xcella, so Olivia will represent Newhaven College with two horses at the Nationals in October.

Huge thanks to Frida Lindgren and Phil Lever from Lever Equestrian for their continued support and guidance and Melbourne Brick and Geohex Erosion Control systems for their sponsorship.

Thanks to Newhaven College and Olivia's teachers for supporting her during the year all the organisers, volunteers, sponsors, family, friends and all the other riders for making this happen and being part of this amazing sport.



Linda Forrester was the Monthly Medal and B Grade winner and Pauline Lancaster was the A Grade winner at Woorayl Golf Club.



Brian Twite Bowl winners and grade winners Jenny Teasdale, Nan Meagher, Bronwyn Debenham, Wendy Parker and Jo Fennell with Brian Twite. Absent: Kerri Besley.

Brian Twite Bowl

TEAMS from many South Gippsland district clubs and further afield – Traralgon, Yarra Yarra and Metropolitan Golf Club competed in the annual Brian Twite Bowl last Friday.

The event was sponsored once again by Rod and Judi Spokes of Leongatha Fresh Meat and Fish Supply.

Leongatha Golf Club ais appreciative of their generous and long-standing support.

Brian Twite, the legendary professional from Metropolitan Golf Club, has had a long involvement with Leongatha Golf Club.

He conducted private lessons from 1979 until 1986, visiting each month.

His final gesture on leaving was the presentation of a "Rose Bowl" to be used as a trophy – hence the Brian Twite Bowl was born.

Metropolitan Golf Club send a team to compete for this Bowl and Brian, who is now 96, makes a special effort to come and present the trophies.

For the second year in a row, the Bowl was won by Leongatha with an aggregate score of 94 points.

It was a team effort with both Bronwyn Debenham and Jenny Teasdale finishing with 33 points, and Nan Meagher just a few shots behind with 28 points took them over the line.

Wendy Parker from Leongatha Golf Club had the best A Grade score of 30 points.

Kerri Besley from Korumburra Golf Club won B Grade with 33 points and Woorayl member Jo Fennell had the top score of the day, winning C Grade with 34 points.

Down the line balls went to Mel Willder 31, Wendy Brown 30, Faye le Page 30 Meeniyan Golf Club, Joc Howson 29, Kay Dumbleton 30, Wendy Fletcher 29, Andree Leigh Yarra Yarra Golf Club 29, Irene Holm Meeniyan Golf Club 28, Rebecca Thomas 28 and Kim Hastie from Metropolitan Golf Club 28 points.

Wendy Fletcher was closest to the pin on the 14th and Jay Bethell from Metropolitan on the 16th.

KORUMBURRA

Ladies

THERE was no golf last Wednesday due to the inclement weather, resulting in water on the greens.

On Saturday, Shelley Snooks

(17) had a win with 30 points.

Lyn McIvor (19) was runner up with 25 points and Jennie Loughnan won a BDTL with 24 points.

Trudy Olden was NTP on the 13th green.

The club had a team play in the Leongatha Bowl last Friday and congratulates Kerri Besley who was the winner in B Grade.

PHILLIP ISLAND

TUESDAY June 13., Men's 18-hole Stableford

A grade winner was Dan McCannon (6) with 40 Points from Ron Young (11) with 36 points c/b

B Grade winner was Lachlan Baltruschaits (19) with 38 Points from Warren Hahnel (21) with 36 points

C Grade winner was Paul Adams (29) with 37 Points from Chris Cannin (35) 35 points

BDL to 31 points c/b.

NTP 5th Ian Rowell 7th Ray Smnith 10th Chris Sanderson 17th Peter Cartwright

Mens 9-hole Stableford

John Rodakis (36) was the winner with 20 points from Danny Hibbert (16) 17 points.

BDL to 14 points c/b

Ladies June 14, Ladies Stroke Monthly Medal sponsored by EMG Consulting (club member Liz Gleeson)

A grade Winner and Monthly Medal winner was Emma Hall (8) with 69 Nett

B grade winner was Anne Dunk (34) with 76 Nett

BDL to 81 nett c/b

NTP 7th Kaye Beaton 10th Loraine Hammon 12th Kym Cooper 17th Emma Hall

9 Hole competition winner was Annette Millership (37) with 21 points from Michelle Pardoe (36) 18 points c/b

BDL to 16 points

Thursday June 15 Open Stableford

The winner of A Grade was Rob Hayden (14) with 40 points from Rowan Wales (15) 37 Points

B Grade winner was William Lang (19) with 40 points from Harry Sterling (18) with 35 points

C Grade Winner was Chris Cannin (34) with 37 points from Kristian Formosa (28) 33 points

BDL to 33 points.

NTP: 5TH Terry McGregor 7th William Lang 10th Rowan Wales 17th Rom Tyrrell

Open 9-hole Stableford

Winner was David Henstridge (36) with 19 points from Basil

Moloney (15) 17 Points
BDL to 16 points c/b.

Saturday, June 17, results
Men's 2 Person Ambrose
Winners were Lawrence Ferrari and Andrew Hewitt Nett 64 from Mark Dykes and John Shaw with Nett 64.75 from Luke Zoanetti and Matt Brown with 65 Nett

BDL to 68.5 nett

NTP: 5th Phil Foster 7th Brian Potter 10th Chris Sanderson 17th Jye Cuff

Ladies winners

The winners were Tracy Cooksey and Shannon Trumper with nett 70.75 from Helen Coghlan and Lesley Meadowcroft with 73.25 nett

BDL to 77.25 nett NTP 5th Helen Coghlan 7th Stacey Meder 10th Lorraine Hammon

9 hole Open Stableford winner was Reg Browne (35) with 18 points c/b from Steve Rieger (26) BDL to 16 c/b

LEONGATHA

TUESDAY, June 13: Stableford Event.

Fifty-six golfers played in this Stableford round.

A Grade winner: John Ryan (10) with a score of 40 points.

A Grade runner up: Bob McGeary (15) with a score of 38 points.

B Grade winner: Michael Delaney (28) with a score of 39 points.

B Grade runner up: Jon Smith (20) with a score of 37 points (C/B).

NTP 14th: John Ryan at 3.10m.

NTP 16th: Gary McGrath at 2.52m.

Thursday, June 15: Evans Petroleum Stableford Event.

Eighty players hit off on a shotgun start at 9am for this Stableford event.

Thanks again for the fine sponsorship of the day by Evans Petroleum.

A Grade winner: Geoff Cohen (13) with a score of 37 points.

A Grade runner up: Michael Thomas (1) with a score of 36 points (C/B).

B Grade winner: Peter Brownlie (17) with a score of 37 points (C/B).

B Grade runner up: Alan Starkey (16) with a score of 37 points.

C Grade winner: Frank Gill (23) with a score of 33 points.

C Grade runner up: Gordon Allan (23) with a score of 32 points (C/B).

D Grade winner: John Dumont (25) with a score of 35 points.

D Grade runner up: Hugh Goodman (26) with a score of 34 points (C/B).

NTP 14th: Rodney Hopcraft at 1.25m.

NTP 16th: Peter Clingin at 2.09m.

Saturday, June 16: Stableford Event.

Seventy-eight golfers take to the course for this Stableford event.

A Grade winner: Doug Clemann with a score of 37 points.

A Grade runner up: Ross McRobert with a score of 35 (C/B).

B Grade winner: Philippe Du Plessis with a score of 36 points (C/B).

B Grade runner up: Geoffrey McDonald with a score of 36 points.

C Grade winner: Alan Black with a score of 35 points.

C Grade runner up: Rene Zeller with a score of 34 points.

MIRBOO NORTH

THURSDAY, June 15: Stableford.

Day winner: S. McKenzie (28) 36 points.

DTL: J. McFarlane, D. Taylor 34 and T. Whitelaw 33.

NTP: fourth D. Taylor and sixth S. McKenzie.

Birdies: fourth G. Renwick, 13th J. McFarlane, M. Payne and T. Bradshaw.

Saturday, June 17: Stableford.

A Grade: J. Robbins (13) 36 points c/b.

B Grade: N. Bickerton (19) 35 points.

DTL: P. Draper 36, T. Whitelaw 35, G. Renwick, N. Bracecamp and A. Liebe 34.

NTP: fourth T. Baker, sixth A. Liebe, 13th T. Bradshaw and 16th T. Whitelaw.

Birdies: sixth A. Liebe, P. Cummaudo, G. Dawson and 16th J. Robbins.

WONTHAGGI

RESULTS: Thursday, June 15, SR. 71.

Competition: Stableford 18 hole.

Winner: Ian McNish 36.

Runner up: Philip McCrimmon 34.

BDL to 31.

Ball sweep: Keith Ridout 33, Andrew Hooton-Shandley 32, Simon O'Halloran 32 and Colin Martin 31.

Results: Thursday, June 15, SR. 34.5.

Competition: Stableford front nine hole.

Winner: Norm Burne 23.

Runner up: Ray Hender 18

C/B.

BDL to 18.

Ball sweep: Paul Cornelis 18.

Results: Saturday, June 17, SR. 71.

Competition: Stableford.

A Grade: Simon O'Halloran 33.

B Grade: Cohen Van Der Velde 36.

C Grade: Don Paproth 33.

Balls down the line to 31.

Ball sweep: Ben Clark 33.

Keith Ridout 33, Ross Yann 33, Craig Harvey 32, Gerald Mitchell 32, Ian Baker 31, Ron Pennefether 31 and John Walsh 31.

NTPs: Gerald Mitchell second, Kevin Jamieson fourth, Mick Bourke propin eighth, Michael Scott 13th and Graeme Campbell money hole 17th.

WOORAYL

Ladies

EIGHT ladies braved the elements for the rescheduled May Monthly Medal on Wednesday.

This event was sponsored by birthday girl Marg Tuckett.

The course was wet and soggy in places, but all in all held up to the heavy rain that was had overnight and earlier in the day.

The winner of the May Monthly Medal and B Grade was Linda 79.

Pauline won A Grade 82.

BDL went to Sherrill 85.

NTP went to eighth Heather, and 11th and 16th Elly.

Gobblers were Inge 11th and Linda 18th.

The raffle was won by Elly.

Elly will bring the raffle next week.

Have a good week and stay warm and dry.

Great Victorian Bike Ride to visit

THE Great Victorian Bike Ride's 'Snowy to the Sea' ride November 25 to December 3, is coming to Bass Coast

And you can hear all about it from Bicycle Network representatives between 6pm and 7pm on Thursday, June 22 at the Wonthaggi Workmen's Club.

Attend the community meeting to learn how you can get involved this December. The route for the Great Vic Bike Ride will be from Orbost to Wonthaggi.

Contact chelsead@bicyclenet-work.com.au for information.



The Inverloch Bowling Club's Thursday social bowls winners were Chris O'Connell (skip), Nell Van Grunsven and Doug Arch



South West Gippsland Bowls Group winners were Phil Wright (S), Sonya Grant (L), Frank D'Univerville (3) and Anne Graham (2) this week.



Michael Dady (S), Bill Williams (L), Chris Coulson (3) and Bev Elliott (2) were South West Gippsland Bowls Group's second placed team on Thursday.



John Nicholson (S), Laurie Bell (3) and Kevin Kitchin (L) were the best one game winners at San Remo Bowls Club.



Marg Hender, Thelma Kavanagh, John Rook and Philip Fowler were Friday's Wonthaggi indoor bowls winners.

INVERLOCH

WEATHER permitting, the earth works associated with the flood lighting at the bowls club will restart on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 20 and 21.

Whilst this work is underway, the club will be closed during the day to all bowling activities.

For safety reasons, please do not try to enter the club grounds whilst the work is in progress.

The proposed work will not interfere with the conduct of the annual general meeting, on Wednesday night at 7.30pm, which will proceed as planned.

As a result of receiving eight nominations for Saturday selection, the club will be required to hold a voting session for the five positions.

Voting will be held just prior to the AGM on Wednesday, June 21, at 6:30pm-7:30pm.

Thursday social bowls saw a tight tussle for first place and runners up.

The top two teams finished with two wins and only two points between them.

Runners up with two wins and 32 points was the team of Judy Parker, Keith Cousens and John Duthie (skip).

Finishing with two wins and 34 points was the winning team of Nell Van Grunsven, Doug Archer and Chris O'Donnell.

MIDWEEK

IT was a great turnout as 36 bowlers turned up at San Remo for the weekly challenge.

The day was fairly cold, the wind was not too bad, but enough to make some of the day fairly difficult for a few bowlers.

Luckily, no rain fell so they managed to get two full games in with no interruptions.

Lots of laughter was heard around the green as well as the usual friendly banter.

It's always a joy with such good friendly bowlers.

As usual, there were some great scores, which meant they had to have a count back to decide the winners; in truth it really is a great competition with so many excellent bowlers.

The winners on 35 points were Phil Wright (S), Frank D'Univerville (3), Anne Graham (2) and Sonya Grant (L).

Runners up also on 35 points were Michael Dady (S), Chris Coulson (3), Bev Elliott (2) and Bill Williams (L).

Best one game on three points were John Nicholson (S), Laurie Bell (3) and Kevin Kitchin (L).

Thank you to Mark in the bar as well as Peter, Pauline and John.

The club would be nowhere without the great volunteers, and the bowlers appreciate all the work they put in.

Next week, the bowlers will

converge on Koo Wee Rup bowls club at 10am for the 10:30am start and hope to see everyone in attendance.

So, till then have a safe and happy week.

WONTHAGGI

ANOTHER week of winter bowls brought different weather conditions on Wednesday and Saturday.

Wednesday saw a smaller group of hardy souls gracing the greens in pairs teams, determined to keep moving.

Only one team emerged as two-game winners – Caroline Donohue and John Kappler, with a score of two wins and 29 points.

Saturday greeted the bowlers with a bright, sunny day and a strong north wind.

At times, the wind caused the bowls to veer sideways against the bias, but overall, it was a fine day.

Most teams played with triples, each player having two bowls, and there was one team of two.

The weather was excellent, and the club had 35 bowlers on the greens, including six visitors who joined in for the day.

Three teams achieved two-game victories.

Unfortunately, the team of Syd Gostling, Toney Toler, and Frank Seaton ended up as the unlucky ones, with a score of two wins and 30 points.

The runners up were a

team of three – Ken Gage, Lyn Tagell, and Chris O'Donnell, with a score of two wins and 32 points. The winners, also a team of three, were Bryan Donohue, Graham Turton, and Veronica Griffiths, with a score of two wins and 34 points.

It was a great way for Bryan to celebrate his birthday.

This week's bowls schedule includes social bowls on Wednesday at 12:30pm and Saturday at 12:30pm.

Have a fantastic week and enjoy your time on the greens.

WONTHAGGI INDOOR BOWLS

THE results from this week's bowling saw some close finishes.

There were 16 players on Tuesday.

The winners with plus 12 winning both games were Jan Milkins, Linda Newman, Judy Sweetnam and John Bird.

Runners up on plus eight, also winning both games, were Rhonda Rattenbury, Helen Rook, John Stewart and John Postlethwaite.

There were 23 players on Friday.

The winners on plus 17, winning two games, were Marg Hender, Thelma Kavanagh, John Rook and Philip Fowler.

Coming second with a win and a draw were Judy Sweetnam, Jan Clark, John Stewart and Jim Wilson.

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Sean Michael, David Kimmings and Jack Duff with their well deserved shield for Wonthaggi Table Tennis Association.

Wonthaggi cleans up at Table Tennis championships

IT WAS a great long weekend at Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports Stadium for Victorian Country Table Tennis Championships.

For the first event to be held at this newly renovated sports centre near Traralgon 64 clubs from around Victoria participated.

This was an excellent number considering that some teams from further afield have to travel a long distance.

As this will be the venue now for the next seven years the number is expected to increase, bringing considerable financial assistance into the South Gippsland region of Victoria.

These championships are already one of the biggest events in Australia on the table tennis calendar.

Wonthaggi teams had a wonderful time and all six teams entered challenging grades of a high standard.

They all had excellent games records. Justin Licis starred for our top team, losing only two games over the three days.

Most successful team was Jack Duff, David Kimmings and Sean Michael of Wonthaggi, doing a clean sweep to bring home a shield for the club.

Jack played like a champion and won a number of individual events also. Every member of that team is congratulated on their well deserved success.

Phillip Island & Districts Dart League results

NO competition Darts last week due to the King's Birthday long weekend, however, that didn't stop our Treasurer, Vince Palladino throwing a few in practise with Anders Geier and succeeding in hitting his first 180! Congratulations Vince, more to come for sure!

New players are always welcome, so if you are interested in being involved and enjoy a friendly environment with young and old alike, male and female.

Please contact Scott Lethbridge 0407543154 OR scott@glpc.com.au

Record fishing stocks

THE Gippsland Lakes has a record stocking of dusky flathead fingerlings in recent weeks.

Minister for Outdoor Recreation Sonya Kilkenny said the three-year stocking trial by the Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) aims to boost the population of the highly regarded recreational fishing species.

The last of 46,100 dusky flatheads have now been released into the Gippsland Lakes at Kalimna and Lakes Entrance with help from members of the Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation, complementing the more than 78,000 fish stocked since 2021.

The Bemm River was also stocked with 5,000 dusky flathead fingerlings, matching the stocking received in 2021.

The stocking trial is a key part of the VFA's Gippsland Lakes Recreational Fishery Plan to return the iconic waterway.



Danish exchange student, Oline with host parent Merryn Quiff who both competed at the 2023 Australian Open lawn bowls event on the Gold Coast last week.

Exchange student and host compete at biggest bowls event

SIXTEEN-year-old Danish exchange student, Oline, competed at the 2023 Australian Open lawn bowls event with her host parent Merryn Quiff last week.

The pair went to the Gold Coast to compete after Merryn introduced Oline to lawn bowls, when she arrived in Wonthaggi in October last year on a student exchange program.

Oline proved to be a natural at the sport and improved even more with some coaching from Wonthaggi Club champion, Bryan 'Bongo' Donohue.

After building her skills and confidence, Oline jumped at the chance to bowl at the Australian Open (AO), the world's biggest bowls event.

The AO is played every June at various clubs on the Gold Coast and attracts around 2000 bowlers from all over the world.

Any full member of a bowls club in the world can enter, no matter what skill level, however there are usually a lot of Commonwealth Games gold medallist and world champions competing.

Merryn has been a member of the Wonthaggi Bowls Club for about 5 years and plays social bowls as well as the odd tournament.

She competed in her first Australian Open last year and was thrilled to win a singles match against a more experienced player.

Although Oline and Merryn didn't win this year, they were very happy with how they played against some great players.

"We've had so much fun and met some wonderful people. It's been a great to expose Oline to a sport that is such a big part of Australian culture," Merryn said.

"It's been amazing to see how good the best bowlers are. Plus, the Gold Coast is an amazing part of the world to visit. The weather has been perfect," said Oline.

Oline has been attending the Bass Coast Secondary College in Wonthaggi and will be returning to her hometown of Hammel later this month.

She has made the most of her time in Wonthaggi and along with bowls has played with the Wonthaggi United Soccer Club and danced with local company Dance Design.

She climbed the Sydney Harbour Bridge, attended AFL matches at the MCG and visited the Australia Zoo, where she got to meet Robert Irwin.

"I really love Wonthaggi. It is so friendly. It took me a while to get used to total strangers saying hello as this unusual in Denmark. I have been made so welcome whether playing soccer, at bowls or at school," Oline said.

Oline is the third exchange student the Quiff family have hosted and recommend it to anyone who has a spare room.

"Oline is such a beautiful person. She has been a great role model for my girls aged 10 and seven. It will be very sad to say goodbye. Hopefully we will get a chance soon to visit her in Denmark," Merryn said.



Sadie Hanley, centre front row with stick, is now Wonthaggi's number one ticket holder, with those at the club acknowledging her tremendous contribution. A21_2523



Jarryd Blair delivers an emotional speech after Sadie Hanley received the honour of becoming Wonthaggi Power's number one ticketholder. A26_2523



Bass Coast Council CEO Ali Wastie acknowledges Sadie Hanley's local contribution. A23_2523

Sadie's top ticket

SADIE Hanley's immense contribution to Wonthaggi Football Netball Club and one of its forerunners, Wonthaggi Blues, brought out the emotional side of current day Power coach Jarryd Blair on Saturday.

Tears welled in his eyes as he congratulated Sadie during a lunch in her honour at Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve, with a large gathering in attendance to see Power president Peter Liddle present her with the club's number one membership ticket.

"It's really special to acknowledge your contribution to our football club and I love the passion," Blair said after Sadie received her new honour.

He reflected on the fact footy clubs are about so much more than putting a team on the park, providing life lessons, teaching discipline and commitment and enabling people to develop important skills that contribute to their professional and family lives.

Clubs also provide a crucial social network that wouldn't exist without the passion of volunteers such as Sadie.

She was named a Life Member in 1976 as was her late husband Noel 'Chick' Hanley.

The couple had seven children, with four sons representing Wonthaggi on the footy field.

Back in the days of Wonthaggi Blues, Noel and Sadie's

Hanley's Dairy was a prime recruiting ground for the team, with any employee who could play football advised to pull on a Blues jumper and get into action.

Sadie and Noel's grandkids represented Power in footy and netball.

Sadie is recognised for her contribution to catering, fundraising and the social side of the club.

Son Peter said both his parents got a buzz out of being in people's company and loved helping community members in any way they could.

Bass Coast Shire CEO Ali Wastie was on hand to present Sadie with flowers, and

spoke during the presentation in her honour.

"We are blessed that Sadie has chosen to call Wonthaggi and Bass Coast home for her entire life," she said.

Sadie made it clear her efforts at the club brought rich reward.

"The social side was always very enjoyable," she said, with that again on show at her special celebration.

While sporting club volunteers work for others and not with future honours in mind, Sadie summed up her efforts succinctly.

"I've contributed rather well," she said.

Breakers still unstoppable



The Breakers Tayla Tatterson takes a strong mark.

A TOP of the table clash between the Breakers and Mornington kicked off a top day of women and girls footy followed by the Dalyston and Morwell youth girls match.

The Breakers made the most of the wind with a dominant first quarter that resulted in goals to Immy Bradford and Chelsea Connell.

Despite good defence from the Breakers Mornington snuck a late goal with 30 seconds remaining in the quarter to bring the margin back to seven points.

The second quarter was a lot more even with the Breakers backline battling hard under pressure. Jac Van Rooy continues to impress in her first season with her attack on the ball at half back and Poppy Marshall provided a good target up forward.

Despite having less of the play the Breakers created some good goal opportunities but weren't able to convert.

Still the home side were happy with the quarter - keeping the opposition goalless with the wind.

The second half was a real battle with both sides hard at the contest and the momentum changing throughout.

Stacey Poke played a key role cutting the ball off through the middle and half back. Chelsea Connell was instrumental in driving the ball forward while Sophie Bolding worked tirelessly through the centre all match.

The good start for the home side proved to be match winning, with neither team able to find a goal after quarter time.

Final Score: Breakers 2.5-17 def Mornington 1.7-13

Goals: C. Connell, I. Bradford

Best: S. Poke, I. Bradford, S. Bolding, C. Connell, K. O'Neill, J. Van Rooy

This week the Breakers host Seaford at Dalyston on Saturday at 10.30am.

Marisa's ready to take on the Taekwondo world

MARISA Martin, an 11-year-old, from the Bass Coast has been invited to represent Australia in Taekwondo in South Korea.

She is the only Australian this year to be invited to compete at the World Police Taekwondo Martial Arts Federation Festival.

Marisa will be part of the demonstration team, representing taekwondo as a martial art.

She will then be competing in two forms, one of which is a traditional, self-defence style pattern and the other an Olympic style form.

Marisa's mum Brandi, said that she is very proud to be presenting her club and is looking forward to the competition, which will be held on Saturday, June 24.

"She's very nervous and overwhelmed but she said she was going to do her best to be a good ambassador for Australia and her club," she said.

Marisa started practicing taekwondo in February 2022



Marisa has been invited to represent Australia at the World Police Taekwondo Martial Arts Federation Festival in South Korea.

and trains six days a week at Heenan Taekwondo in Bass Coast and Pakenham.

"It gives her mental positivity and physical health. She gravitates towards Taekwondo because of likeminded

individuals, and she found her friendships there," Brandi said.

Marisa competed at the Australia Nationals last year and in her rank, she is second best in the country.

She was at a competition in Sydney this year in March and Grand Master Kang Wong Lee was one of the judges at the tournament.

"He brought it to my attention that she brought him honour, which in martial arts, is massive. She brought him honour by listening to what he said and executing the directive that he gave, and he was also judging another division that she was participating in, which is called the freestyle demonstration."

Freestyle is where the athlete can become creative and create their own form, and Marissa created her own form utilising techniques that haven't been taught to her yet.

The Grand Master subsequently invited Marisa to be his personal guest and represent Australia at the World Police Taekwondo Martial Arts Federation Festival.

Although Marisa is nervous, she is determined to do well and enjoy the experience.

Boxing club abuzz

FIVE years on since its inception in 2018, Wonthaggi Boxing Club is thriving.

Now known as the Wonthaggi Boxing and Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club, a popular fitness hub for the local community.

The club operates out of the revitalised former Wonthaggi CFA station in conjunction with the YES Youth Hub.

Returning the Watt Street building to its former glory was a community effort that is now returning wonderful results.

"It's great to see school students using the Youth Hub and then coming along to training," boxing club president Steve Dunn said.

On Monday and Wednesday, the club offers boxing from 5pm until 7pm.

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu is offered on Tuesday from 5.30pm until 7.30pm.

On Friday, James Heenan offers Taekwondo. James is a chief instructor with a wealth of experience who also offers classes in Pakenham, Drourin and Beaconsfield.

The club offers Fight Like A Girl self defence classes for women aged 14-25, and the facilities can be used by groups within the community, including school groups and sporting clubs.

It is a not-for-profit organisation run exclusively by volunteers.

For more information, follow the Wonthaggi Boxing and Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club on Facebook.

Logan claims first MMA success

WONTHAGGI Boxing and Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club was well represented in the MMA competition (Bushido) in Thornbury recently.

Krowera's Logan Tilbury was one fighter who reaped the rewards of the day, winning three bouts in his first MMA contest.

Weighing in at 81kgs, Logan said he was matched up against fighters of varying size and experience to himself, and there was no better feeling than claiming the win in the end.

"We got straight into it and there was no time to worry. I didn't know what to expect, but it went really well," he said.

The Bushido MMA event followed modified MMA rules, suitable for fighters new to the competition.

Full grappling and wrestling were permissible, but there was to be no strikes to the head.

Logan competed in and won three fights. Each round was three minutes.

"It gives people a good start to combat, and was great for Logan," coach Brad Meldrum said.

"It was really encouraging to see him take so well to it. He was calm and methodical with his strikes and good with his kicks. He did surprise us on the day, but he has a great mindset for it and it was cool to watch. It was a good stepping stone, since he's looking to go further."

"He has a background in Zen Do Kai and he has been really applying himself at our gym."

Logan trains several nights a week at the boxing club, honing his skills with the dedicated team.

Training for this competition ramped up in October last year.

"Right now, I'm taking it as it comes. I'll do what I can and take any opportunity as it comes up to be as effective as I can," he said.

"The club has been a great support. Everyone is a volunteer, and they have a good variety of age groups having a go."



Inverloch's Col Boyd and Yolande Field visited France's historical sites and major landmarks throughout their recent cycling expedition.

Cyclists immerse in French history

INVERLOCH cyclists Col Boyd and Yolande Field embarked on a 2400-kilometre bike ride around France recently.

The couple flew out on April 18 for a four-week trip, taking in the rich history of the country.

"It was early in their spring, so the weather wasn't fantastic. We rode from Paris in a big loop out to the Brittany coast," Col said.

"We rode along the coast – or nearby the coast – and through farming land and the villages around the Brittany coast."

The ride took them through to the Normandy coast, a highlight for Col.

"Normandy was particularly interesting because of the importance of it during the Second World War. The Nazis invaded in 1940, so for the next four years they occupied France and that part of the coast was restricted," he said.

"The Germans built the Atlantic Wall along there because they knew if they were going to be invaded by the Allies, they'd be invaded along the coast somewhere. (Field Marshal) Erwin Rommel was in charge of setting up a lot of fortifications around the whole coast, and no civilians were allowed in there, so it was a military area for four years."

"We went to Omaha Beach,



Inverloch cyclists Yolande Field and Col Boyd completed a 2400-kilometre bike ride in France recently.

Utah Beach and the D-Day landing locations. That was particularly interesting, just getting the feel of it. At the cemetery there, there's 9500 service personnel. It just hits you what a terrible loss of life it was and what brave people they were."

They completed the loop back into Paris. However, Yolande suffered injuries following a fall near the city of Rouen.

"Yol had a fall but didn't realise (the significance of her injuries) for five days. She was sore but got to Paris. When she wasn't

getting any better, I said perhaps we should go to the hospital," Col said.

"They took x-rays and admitted her straightaway. She had three broken ribs and a collapsed lung. She had the fall and still rode about 50kms."

Yolande received treatment and was in hospital for four days.

Due to the extent of her injuries, their return flight was delayed, and they stayed in Paris for an extra week.

During their time in Paris, they visited museums and ma-

jor landmarks such as the Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre and the Eiffel Tower.

"It was a really interesting city – a beautiful city – and a magnificent country," Col said.

Throughout the ride, Col said they averaged 120kms a day, which equated to around five hours a day on a bike.

"Our longest day was probably 165kms. We had a couple of days around that distance and a couple of shorter days, so I would say we averaged around 120kms," he said.

The ride was organised by a Dutch company called Bike-Dreams.

"They organised the route, carried our luggage and provided some of our meals. Most of it was camping and there were some hotel stays as well," Col said.

"We rode with (Bike-Dreams) in 2012 on the Andes trail. We did 11,000kms from Ecuador down to the tip of Argentina. We did Spain in 2018, Italy in 2019, and now this one. This is the first trip we've done since Covid."

Col and Yolande also rode the Silk Route from Shanghai to Istanbul in 2014, Perth to Bairnsdale in 2016, and from the top to the bottom of New Zealand in 2017.

Gippsland United Under 14s shine

JBNPL U14s GUFC vs South Melbourne FC

By Kirsty Hannan

Gippsland had a convincing 3-1 win over home team South Melbourne FC in Caulfield on Sunday morning. The boys were strong out of the gate, eager to win every ball and kept their intensity high throughout the game to secure the match points.

Striker Jett Koppen and Patrick Frayne played an attacking game during the first half, with Jett slotting home Gippsland's first goal at the ten-minute mark. Declan Paku continues to shine in defence, providing encouragement to the boys as they looked to protect the 1-0 lead.

Wingers Bill Prior and Ciaran Toomey worked solidly creating several chances for Gippsland to increase the score. Their hard work paid off as Bill weaved his way through South Melbourne's defence, played a low cross to Ciaran who poked it home. It was a brilliantly worked team goal, taking the score to 2-0 at half-time.

South Melbourne began to dictate more of the play in the second half, applying pressure to the Gippsland side and scoring their first goal. However, Gippsland continued to manage the match with maturity and composure and due to their defence efficiency, held the home team at bay. Goalkeeper Harrison Ritchie absorbed South Melbourne's counter attacks culminating in an impressive dive to make an important save midway through the half.

A delightful ball from Mitch Dastey late in the second half, found its way to Bill, who ran it down the pitch and scored the third goal of the match. This impressive win will boost the boy's confidence as focus shifts to the double header this weekend at home.

JBNPL U18s GUFC vs Ringwood City

By Jared Goodwin

The Under 18 Gippsland boys travelled out to Ringwood City FC to face a side that stood with seven wins and one loss so far this season, meaning they were top of the table. There were some big changes to the team in the build up to the game, in the hopes to frustrate the home side. Early on, this was evident, with Gippsland applying great pressure.

With Ringwood holding at least eighty percent of possession in the first half an hour, it was the home side who ended up capitalising after a great turn and finish, slotted into the side netting from the Ringwood striker. Early on in the second half, Gippsland failed to pounce on two clear cut chances inside the six-yard box, which proved costly as Ringwood got their second soon after.

A beautiful cross from Bayden Heussmann forced a goalkeeping error out of the Ringwood keeper, bringing the away side back into the game. However, thirteen seconds after kick off, Ringwood would score a third. Ringwood kept on dominating, with precise passing and quality forward runs, they found a fourth and fifth, to send the Gippsland boys back out to the countryside without the three points.

Gippsland play Berwick City AND Nunawading City in a double-header weekend of soccer at Latrobe City Stadium in Morwell. Saturday, they face mid-table side Berwick City, with bottom of the league Nunawading on Sunday. Both games kick off at 1pm.

Gippsland 1, Ringwood 5.



The Mini Roos showed off their talents over the weekend at Trafalgar.

Mini Roo action at Trafalgar

THERE were no Hub games this week as the Mini Roos from both divisions headed to Trafalgar for the Gippsland Soccer League Mini Roo Gala Day.

The U-10s were well-represented at Trafalgar this weekend with nine stellar players making the Gala Day trek! Portia, Amity, Daniel, Norman, Tate, River, Hannah, Molly, and Vera played teams from Leongatha, Korumburra and Drouin. As we've seen in the weeks prior, these players are a thrill to watch. We saw some truly awesome plays, and the confidence and skill of each player continues to build with each game.

Amity scored a beautiful first goal, and Vera had more near-goals than we've ever seen - she was on fire! We loved seeing Molly have a crack at goalie - what a star!

A depleted Wonthaggi United Under 12 team took the field on Sunday against Korumburra.

With the wind blowing players had to concentrate on keeping the play low. Against the wind a brilliant throw from the Jeddah gave Hayden the perfect ball to secure Wonthaggi's first.

Aurora was a brick wall in goals, using her strength to stop Korumburra's attack.

Eli showed great control and combined with Zoe and Ollie Wonthaggi was able to keep the momentum in the Wonthaggi half. Hayden once again took an outside shot to give Wonthaggi.

haggi a handy 2-0 lead.

Korumburra, not to be outdone managed to sneak a goal, taking the score to 2-1 at the halftime break. Wonthaggi's amazing cheer squad had half time covered and even though they had no subs, the team looked ready to go as the second half started. George and Lewey kept pushing forward, but it was Hayden who used the wind to perfectly place the ball over the keeper and into the net 3 more times giving Wonthaggi a convincing lead.

Jaxon had the midfield covered, with his brilliant passing giving Wonthaggi more opportunities. Korumburra managed a second goal to see the scores at 5-2 when the final whistle blew.

Wonthaggi started strong in the U14s and against the wind Judah found the net early giving Wonthaggi the lead. Wonthaggi had all the play, but the Korumburra defense line was very strong.

Some brilliant through balls found their mark and Korumburra had a 2-1 at the half time break.

The clock seemed to be running out for a Wonthaggi comeback as Korumburra seemed to have the edge, but confident control from Jack the Wonthaggi keeper kept the ball being fed forward for Wonthaggi.

Using the wind Judah once again found the net and the equalizer, giving Wonthaggi some hope and a bit of fire for the last 15.



Wonthaggi United Soccer Club player Tony Bals was awarded for 50 junior league games on the weekend.

Conner shifted things around, moving Tony into the forward position, this was enough, and he scored a brilliant outside shot, surprising the Korumburra defense. Jo, Hayden, Ollie and Aurora had to hold the defense, Korumburra continually applied the pressure.

Zoe, Brodie and Archie kept the ball moving but it was Veronica who secured the victory for Wonthaggi. Wonthaggi celebrated a brilliant finish and a 4-2 victory.

Wonthaggi had another reason to celebrate on Sunday as the Club commemorative Tony Bals 50th Junior Club game.

Tony began playing for Wonthaggi in 2015 in the Under 7s and played his first Junior competitive game in Round 16 2018 against Leongatha.

He was part of the victorious Grand Final U12s team

in 2019. Tony has also represented Gippsland in the Country Championships. Strong in defense Tony's ability to control the ball also makes him dangerous up forward. The Club is proud to have him take the field each week for Wonthaggi and hopes he continues with the Club for many years to come.

2023 Inaugural Go Girls Cup

The Wonthaggi United Soccer Club is proud to present the 2023 Inaugural Go Girls Cup. 3 Age groups will be competing for the first time on Saturday, June 24 at the Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve with U12, U15 and Open Divisions.

The Competition is 5v5 with no goalkeepers and we are hoping for some fast-paced action. With International Women's Soccer Week recently and the much-anticipated FIFA Women's World Cup being held in Australia this is a great opportunity for Females of all ages to have a go at soccer. Players do not need to be current registered players and do not have to represent clubs. It is about getting a team together and having a go. Games kick off at 2pm and entries are live now, simply head to 'go football' and search Wonthaggi in the Go Girls section or <https://www.gofootball.com.au/.../Wonthaggi-Soccer-Club>

GSL Round 8 results - Sunday, June 18

Senior Mens: Drouin Dragons 7 d Lang Lang United 0, Korumburra City 10 d Wonthaggi United 1, Inverloch Stars 3 d Phillip Island 2, Trafalgar Victory 5 d Leongatha Knights 1

Senior Womens: Drouin Dragons 8 d Lang Lang United 1, Phillip Island 2 d Inverloch Stars 0

Mens Reserves: Korumburra City 4 d Drouin Dragons 2, Phillip Island 4 d Inverloch Stars 1, Trafalgar Victory 10 d Leongatha Knights 0

Under 17 Mixed: Phillip Island 6 d Inverloch Stars, Drouin Dragons Maroon 4 d Le-

ongatha Knights 3

Under 14 Mixed: Drouin Dragons Maroon 7 d Leongatha Knights White 1, Wonthaggi United 4 d Korumburra City 2, Phillip Island 1 d Inverloch Stars 0, Drouin Dragons White 6 d Mirboo North United 0

Under 12a Mixed: Wonthaggi United 5 d Korumburra City 2, Inverloch Stars 6 d Phillip Island 3, Drouin Dragons Maroon 6 d Lang Lang United 0

Under 12b Mixed: Phillip Island Red 6 d Inverloch Stars 0, Phillip Island Blue 3 drew Trafalgar Victory 3

MiniRoos – Saturday, June 24

South West/Bass Coast Hub are playing at Phillip Island

North East/South Gippsland Hub are not scheduled to play

GSL Round 9 Fixture – Sunday, June 25

Senior Mens - 3pm Lang Lang United v Inverloch Stars, Mirboo North United d Trafalgar Victory, Wonthaggi United d Leongatha Knights, Phillip Island d Drouin Dragons

Senior Womens - 1pm Lang Lang United v Inverloch Stars, Wonthaggi United v Leongatha Knights, Phillip Island v Drouin Dragons

Mens Reserves - 1pm Trafalgar Victory v Inverloch Stars, Leongatha Knights v Korumburra City, Phillip Island v Drouin Dragons

Under 17 Mixed - 9:30am Phillip Island v Drouin Dragons Maroon, Inverloch Stars v Drouin Dragons

White Under 14 Mixed - 11:20am Leongatha Knights White v Inverloch Stars, Wonthaggi United v Leongatha Knights Blue, Phillip Island v Drouin Dragons Maroon, Korumburra City v Drouin Dragons White

Under 12a Mixed - 10am Wonthaggi United v Leongatha Knights, Phillip Island v Drouin Dragons Maroon, Lang Lang United v Inverloch Stars

Under 12b Mixed - 11:30am Korumburra City v Drouin Dragons Yellow, Phillip Island Red v Drouin Maroon/Yellow

South Gippsland Midweek Ladies Tennis Association

THE Autumn competition Grand Final was played on Tuesday last week.

That concludes our Autumn competition, a new competition will be starting up again in October, as always, we welcome new and returning players.

A social competition will start in July, this is also a perfect opportunity for those considering tennis to have a go, for more details follow us on our Facebook page, or contact your local tennis club.



Section 1 Premiers Inverloch Diamonds Kate Edwards, Lisa Butcher, Dawn Hughes, Liza Burrows, Jen Scott.



Section 1 Runners Up Wonthaggi Letitia Condron, Karen Sheerin, Janet Chambers, Camille Morris.



Section 2 Bena runners up Lyn Leppin, Kerryn Gow, Lesley Turton, Jacinta Chisholm.



Section 2 premiers Korumburra Judy Blogg, Sue Van Sinderen, Chris Kyle, Pam Gardiner.



Inverloch Cricket Club secretary Mitch Woods is looking forward to using the new cricket nets at Thompson Reserve this season.

Clubs thrilled with new facility

INVERLOCH'S Thompson Reserve is revamped ahead of the 2023/24 cricket season.

Both the Inverloch Cricket Club and the Inverloch Soccer Club are thrilled with the inclusion of brand-new cricket nets at the reserve, which are set to be officially opened later this year.

Inverloch Cricket Club secretary Mitch Woods said the cricketers are looking forward to using the nets during preseason in September.

"There was a bit of a delay, but it's all come together really well," he said.

"The soccer club is getting good use out of the nets at the moment (as a kickabout space). Bass Coast Shire Council and (Bass MLA) Jordan Crugnale have been great supporters."

The clubs rallied together to raise \$50,000 toward the project with various fundraisers, functions and sponsorship last year.

Council allocated \$300,000 to the project and \$100,000 was received through the State Government's Sport and Recreation Victoria's Community Cricket Program.

Council acknowledged the significant contribution of both clubs.

Mitch said he was optimistic the upgraded facility would help the cricket club continue to grow.

With five practice wickets, the club will be able to accommodate the training needs of the junior, senior and women's teams.

Around 150 families are now involved in the cricket club.

"The women's team was introduced into the (Leongatha and District Cricket Association) last year, and our team won the grand final. It's been great to see whole families getting involved in the game," Mitch said.

Mitch said the full-length nets will create a safer training area for the cricketers, and the synthetic grass surface would allow for more practice outdoors.

"In the past, we have struggled a bit with the weather," Mitch said.

"We will be using the nets up to five nights a week, and there will be one practice wicket open for the public to access at any time, so it will be put to good use."

Mitch thanked council for its support of the project.

"The process was made easy and both clubs are thankful for the support. Hopefully the upgraded facility will ensure juniors will continue to come through and play cricket," he said.



St Joseph's Primary School students supported each other at the recent school sports.

St Joseph's backs its sport stars

WONTHAGGI'S St. Joseph's Primary School students have actively participated in representative sports throughout the term.

They have competed in the South Coast Primary Schools district's "Winter Sports" and South Gippsland Division Cross Country.

Several students qualified for the regional cross country, and one student has qualified for state Cross Country.

RIGHT: Netballers from St Joseph's Primary School, Wonthaggi.



MDU 43 d Stony Creek 29
Mirboo North 34 It Yinnar 63
Hill End 40 It Boolarra 58
Foster 26 It Toora 60
Morwell East 66 d Tarwin 37

Thorpdale 19 It Newborough 51
MDU 57 d Stony Creek 46
Mirboo North 51 d Yinnar 45
Hill End 35 It Boolarra 67
Foster 13 It Toora 57
Morwell East 58 d Tarwin 36

Thorpdale 8 It Newborough 57
MDU 60 d Stony Creek 19
Mirboo North 21 It Yinnar 38
Hill End 31 It Boolarra 34
Foster 14 It Toora 60
Morwell East 28 d Tarwin 22

Thorpdale 4 It Newborough 63
MDU 66 d Stony Creek 22
Mirboo North 28 It Yinnar 30
Hill End 26 Boolarra 19
Foster 9 It Toora 41
Morwell East 36 It Tarwin 42

MDU 73 d Stony Creek 10
Mirboo North 11 It Yinnar 57
Morwell East 51 d Tarwin 22

MDU 66 d Stony Creek 10
Mirboo North 30 d Yinnar 16
Hill End 18 It Boolarra 64
Foster 15 It Toora 42
Morwell East 49 d Tarwin 8

Mirboo North 22 d Yinnar 19
Hill End 20 It Boolarra 32
Foster 15 It Toora 23

A GRADE	%	pts
Yinnar	166.95	36
Morwell East	208.70	34
Toora	175.94	34
Boolarra	167.83	32
Fish Creek	111.94	24
Tarwin	107.93	24
Newborough	90.43	20
Mirboo North	90.17	16
Stony Creek	59.71	12
MDU	71.36	8
Hill End	60.91	8
Foster	44.42	4

B GRADE	%	pts
Toora	187.50	36
Fish Creek	178.68	36
Morwell East	190.25	32
Mirboo North	155.88	32
Yinnar	171.14	28
Boolarra	151.03	24
Stony Creek	100.85	16
MDU	97.95	12
Newborough	83.70	12
Tarwin	79.26	12
Foster	47.92	8
Hill End	63.60	4
Thorpdale	13.80	0

C GRADE	%	pts
Yinnar	247.62	32
MDU	166.03	32
Toora	142.86	28
Hill End	139.91	28
Morwell East	161.18	24
Tarwin	145.16	24
Boolarra	132.26	24
Newborough	118.78	20
Fish Creek	112.83	16
Mirboo North	90.42	12
Stony Creek	65.59	8
Foster	17.75	4
Thorpdale	20.12	0

D GRADE	%	pts
Fish Creek	254.14	36
Yinnar	202.34	32
Mirboo North	270.78	28
Morwell East	173.81	28
Newborough	159.88	24
Hill End	129.44	24
Tarwin	116.02	20
Toora	86.67	20
MDU	84.76	12
Boolarra	64.60	12
Stony Creek	57.70	12
Foster	18.12	4
Thorpdale	21.69	0

MDU 274.44 36

Toora 261.64 32

Yinnar 175.18 32

Fish Creek 183.62 28

Morwell East 95.45 28

Boolarra 63.08 24

Newborough 64.57 20

Stony Creek 51.79 16

Tarwin 48.54 16

Mirboo North 29.84 8

15 & UNDER

Boolarra 353.33 36

Mirboo North 336.36 32

MDU 211.11 28

Hill End 163.16 28

Yinnar 189.19 24

Toora 106.94 24

Morwell East 106.71 24

Fish Creek 99.53 24

Stony Creek 35.08 12

Newborough 28.89 8

Foster 23.24 8

Tarwin 10.04 4

13 & UNDER

Boolarra 313.51 36

Mirboo North 203.80 32

Toora 106.49 32

Yinnar 225.32 28

Hill End 102.78 24

MDU 63.06 20

Newborough 61.54 20

Fish Creek 28.79 16

Foster 51.01 12

Tarwin 37.72 12

SPORT | NETBALL

LEONGATHA

Under 13: Score: Leongatha 22 def by Sale 57

We worked so hard the whole game. We started off super strong against a well-oiled Sale team. Lots to take away and learn from the game. Bring on next week.

Under 15: Score: Leongatha 29 def by Sale 44

The girls played an awesome game and held their heads high against a tough competition. Everyone should be super proud of how they played and how much we have improved thus far.

Under 17: Score: Leongatha 34 def by Sale 37

A very physical well fought out game. We worked very hard all game and kept our heads up. Bring on next week and the rest of the season.

C Grade: Score: Leongatha 48 def Sale 23

Great game and win. We blew off the cobwebs and are back on the winners list. Let's go! Big game next week!

B Grade: Score: Leongatha 60 Def Sale 41

Great game Parrots. Everyone played their role. Some great passages of play and things to work on. Bring on next week.

A Grade: Score: Leongatha 48 def Sale 23

Awesome win by the girls. Great defensive pressure all down the court. Super keen for next week's game. Keep up the great work.



Wonthaggi and Maffra battle it out in B Grade, with Power claiming the spoils by game's end. A38_2523



Libby Hutchinson takes possession for Wonthaggi during its B Grade clash with Maffra. A34_2523



Wonthaggi B Grade captain Jess Tiziani looks for teammate against Maffra. A35_2523



Libby Hutchinson scores for Wonthaggi in its 9-goal B Grade win over Maffra. A32_2523



Wonthaggi's defenders in B Grade were right on song against Maffra, including Melissa Beveridge, holding Maffra to 32 goals while scoring strongly themselves with 41 in a solid victory in the sunshine at Wonthaggi. 8166 Bgrade



Freya Scapin displays her athleticism as she attempts to keep the ball in play during Wonthaggi's B Grade victory over Maffra. A33_2523



Wonthaggi's Melissa Beveridge flies for the ball under pressure from her Maffra opponent during B Grade action. A36_2523

WEST GIPPSLAND

RESULTS

A GRADE

17 & UNDER

B GRADE

15 & UNDER

C GRADE

13 & UNDER

D GRADE

11 & UNDER

LADDERS

A GRADE

17 & UNDER

B GRADE

15 & UNDER

C GRADE

13 & UNDER

D GRADE

11 & UNDER

RESULTS	%	pts
A GRADE	217.29	40
17 & UNDER	155.28	40
B GRADE	134.25	28
15 & UNDER	133.65	28
C GRADE	125.53	3



The Mt Eccles Netball Club had a great time for the Leongatha & District Netball Association Fun Day.

Netball fun for all

ON Sunday, June 18, Leongatha & District Netball Association hosted their annual 11 and under Fun Day.

The day consisted of 21 teams from around Gippsland.

The day brings our young up and coming super stars from across the Gippsland region to hone their skills, demonstrating great skills, teamwork and sportsmanship while having some netball fun on and off the court.

The day also includes developing umpires to participate and can get the feel for a tournament without being overwhelmed.

This day is not possible without our wonderful volunteers of the LDNA Committee, umpires, coaches, canteen helpers, our awesome Coffee Hot Spot and our first aid attendant Lisa Burge.

Plus, a thank you to the parents and spectators who come along and support the kids.

A special thank you to our sponsors Terry White Chemmart Leongatha the teams loved their special showbags.



The Tigers' Tyla Peters (A Grade) looks to intercept.



Grace Green desperately seeks an opening.



Poowong's Mia Blackwood (A Grade) eyes off her shot. Photo: Jeff Tull



Stony Creek makes the pass under pressure. Photo: Gerard Bruning



Wonthaggi's Jess Blair comes under pressure from her Maffra opponent. A43_2523



Wonthaggi's defence strives to apply pressure to Maffra goal shooter Chloe Felsbourn during the sides' A Grade clash. A39_2523



Wonthaggi's Mia Plenkovich contests the ball with her Maffra opponent in an A Grade match the Power claimed by 14 goals. A40_2523

ELLINBANK

RESULTS

A GRADE

Yarragon 33 It Longwarry 56
Lang Lang 23 It Trafalgar 30
Buln Buln 72 d Poowong 34
N-Darnum 49 d Ellinbank 46
Catani 30 It Neirim South 37

B GRADE

Yarragon 51 d Longwarry 37
Lang Lang 13 It Trafalgar 34
Buln Buln 75 d Poowong 19
N-Darnum 18 It Ellinbank 65
Catani 40 It Neirim South 59

C GRADE

Yarragon 18 It Longwarry 46
Lang Lang 23 It Trafalgar 31
Buln Buln 34 d Poowong 20
N-Darnum 18 It Ellinbank 36
Catani 39 d Neirim South 38

LADDERS

A GRADE

	%	pts
Neirim South	292.95	40
Nilma Darnum	141.82	36
Ellinbank	143.60	32
Trafalgar	130.23	28
Buln Buln	115.76	24
Catani	117.94	18
Lang Lang	84.70	18
Longwarry	82.54	12
Yarragon	58.23	4
Nyora	54.99	4
Poowong	46.99	4

B GRADE

	%	pts
Ellinbank	250.00	36
Buln Buln	192.51	36
Trafalgar	174.92	36
Neirim South	132.23	28
Catani	108.13	24
Nilma Darnum	106.07	20
Yarragon	78.07	16
Lang Lang	78.15	12
Longwarry	73.88	8
Poowong	46.10	4
Nyora	32.66	0

C GRADE

	%	pts
Ellinbank	237.09	36
Catani	152.47	32
Buln Buln	148.22	32
Neirim South	173.73	30
Longwarry	142.61	26
Nilma Darnum	142.00	24
Trafalgar	108.05	16
Yarragon	58.47	12
Poowong	65.76	8
Lang Lang	64.16	4
Nyora	9.77	0

17 & UNDER

Yarragon 26 It Longwarry 50
Lang Lang 7 It Trafalgar 36
Buln Buln 31 It Poowong 37
N-Darnum 26 It Ellinbank 33
Catani 43 d Neirim South 3

15 & UNDER

Yarragon 40 d Longwarry 26
Lang Lang 15 It Trafalgar 23
Buln Buln 26 d Poowong 17
N-Darnum 39 d Ellinbank 19
Catani 23 d Neirim South 7

13 & UNDER

Yarragon 9 It Longwarry 16
Lang Lang 15 d Trafalgar 11
Buln Buln 25 d Poowong 19
N-Darnum 10 It Ellinbank 27
Catani 33 d Neirim South 11

LADDERS

17 & UNDER

	%	pts
Catani	194.97	32
Longwarry	156.09	32
Ellinbank	159.09	28
Trafalgar	209.70	24
Poowong	159.22	20
Buln Buln	119.64	16
Nilma Darnum	96.28	12
Lang Lang	43.53	8
Yarragon	37.22	4
Neirim South	16.04	0
Nyora	0.00	0

15 & UNDER

	%	pts
Buln Buln	275.82	40
Yarragon	235.36	32
Poowong	147.31	32
Longwarry	175.54	24
Nilma Darnum	129.46	24
Trafalgar	126.61	24
Catani	116.28	20
Lang Lang	66.54	8
Ellinbank	49.40	8
Neirim South	39.55	8
Nyora	4.90	0

13 & UNDER

	%	pts
Buln Buln	240.52	40
Catani	257.89	28
Poowong	192.16	30
Longwarry	150.93	22
Neirim South	93.75	16
Nilma Darnum	89.15	16
Yarragon	58.08	8
Ellinbank	55.81	10
Lang Lang	53.21	6
Trafalgar	46.97	8
Nyora	36.31	4

GIPPSLAND

RESULTS

A GRADE

Bairnsdale 33 It Moe 82
Traralgon 40 It Drouin 47
Warragul 32 It Morwell 48
Wonthaggi 49 d Maffra 35
Sale 21 It Leongatha 48

B GRADE

Traralgon 54 d Drouin 50
Warragul 33 It Morwell 55
Wonthaggi 41 d Maffra 32
Sale 41 It Leongatha 60

C GRADE

Bairnsdale 32 d Moe 27
Traralgon 30 It Drouin 48
Warragul 26 It Morwell 37
Wonthaggi 13 It Maffra 26
Sale 23 It Leongatha 48

LADDERS

A GRADE

	%	pts
Morwell	140.17	38
Moe	156.04	36
Leongatha	129.84	28
Drouin	112.04	28
Warragul	100.00	22
Wonthaggi	88.30	16
Traralgon	94.87	12
Sale	78.95	12
Bairnsdale	68.27	8
Maffra	64.46	0

17 & UNDER

Bairnsdale 30 It Moe 82
Traralgon 52 d Drouin 22
Warragul 15 It Morwell 37
Wonthaggi 37 d Maffra 23
Sale 21 It Leongatha 48

15 & UNDER

Bairnsdale 48 d Moe 8
Traralgon 40 It Drouin 47
Warragul 32 It Morwell 48
Wonthaggi 49 d Maffra 35
Sale 37 d Leongatha 34

13 & UNDER

Bairnsdale 35 d Moe 30
Traralgon 62 d Drouin 15
Warragul 23 d Morwell 19
Wonthaggi 3 It Maffra 43
Sale 57 d Leongatha 22

LADDERS

17 & UNDER

	%	pts
Leongatha	170.25	36
Traralgon	165.66	36
Sale	167.12	32
Wonthaggi	169.50	24
Maffra	128.84	24
Bairnsdale	106.49	18
Moe	95.89	16
Drouin	78.18	10
Warragul	39.41	4
Nyora	18.30	0

B GRADE

	%	pts
Traralgon	122.57	36
Leongatha	143.17	28
Moe	117.34	20
Drouin	106.13	20
Morwell	103.68	20
Wonthaggi	97.95	16
Maffra	79.30	8
Warragul	76.67	8
Sale	72.09	4
Bairnsdale	0.00	0

15 & UNDER

	%	pts
Traralgon	318.82	40
Sale	218.72	36
Bairnsdale	171.71	28
Maffra	115.16	28
Leongatha	109.24	24
Moe	76.16	16
Wonthaggi	70.44	12
Warragul	52.32	12
Morwell	54.62	4
Drouin	32.18	0

C GRADE

	%	pts
Maffra	146.96	36
Drouin	129.93	36
Morwell	124.07	32
Leongatha	160.64	28
Bairnsdale	109.03	24
Traralgon	87.40	16
Moe	87.29	12
Warragul	79.18	8
Wonthaggi	61.89	4
Sale	60.22	4

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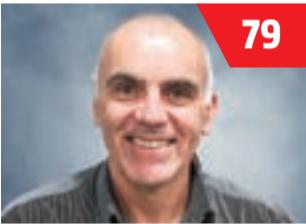
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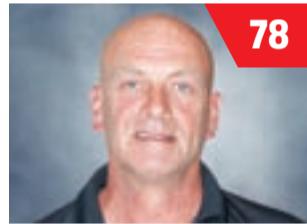
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Glenn Rigby	79
Tom Marriott	79
Rod O'Neill	78
Rohan Beale	78
Adam Ware	77
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Sam Turner	76
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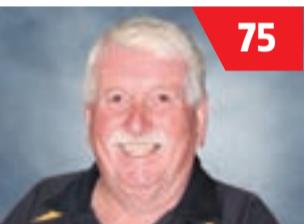
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FOSTER FOOTBALL CLUB

TOORA FOOTBALL CLUB

	183		22
FOSTER	TOORA		

Foster 8.7 12.14 20.17 27.21 (183)
Toora 3.0 3.1 3.2 3.4 (22)

GOALS, Foster: Willem Duursma 6, Michael Cooke 5, Jack Rathjen 3, Tom Bartholomew, Jonathan Segat, Mitchell Green, Brendan Neville, Michael Green 2, Tom Littore, Tim Wigney, Todd Bastion 1 each.

BEST: Willem Duursma, Todd Bastion, Troy Van Dyke, Jonathan Segat, Mitchell Allott, Mitchell Green.

GOALS, Toora: Jack Weston 2, Josh Toner 1.
BEST: Harley Hoppner, Jack Weston, Josh Toner, Jake Dows, Peter Grant, Riley Hewson.

RESERVES

Toora 4.3 13.6 18.7 21.9 (135)
Foster 1.0 1.1 2.2 2.2 (14)

GOALS, Toora: James Maurilli-Pullin 9, Jarryd Guganovic 6, Lukas Jenkins, Mark Glowrey, Leigh de Boer, Luke Anedda, Jake Nicholls 1 each.

BEST: James Maurilli-Pullin, Jarryd Guganovic, Luke Anedda, Linden Dyson, Trent Vening, Leigh de Boer.

GOALS, Foster: Jaxon Lewis, Ollie Cox 1 each.
BEST: Mikey House, Reghan Lewis, Jaxon Cripps, Zach House, Jason Smith, Ollie Cox.

THIRDS

Foster 8.2 11.5 13.11 18.19 (127)
Newborough 1.1 3.4 3.7 3.7 (25)

GOALS, Foster: Willem Duursma 6, Nathan Gundrill 5, Jedd Davy 4, Jake Matheson, Cooper Butinar, Reghan Lewis 1 each.

BEST: Caeleb Garlick, Jake Matheson, Cooper Butinar, Angus Lomax, Flynn Lomax, Jaxon Lewis.

GOALS, Newborough: Jacob Gibbs, Oscar Hanson, William Cuthbertson 1 each.

BEST: Macally Brosnan, Joe Varsaci, Jaydn Davidson, Harrison Gallagher, Lachlan Nelson, Anthony Daley.

TARWIN FOOTBALL CLUB

	51		49
TARWIN	MORWELL EAST		

Tarwin 3.2 3.4 7.8 7.9 (51)
Morwell East 3.3 4.4 5.5 7.7 (49)

GOALS, Tarwin: Kyle Cooper, Jonathan McMicking 2, Matthew Williams, Ryan Waddell, Jarrad Matheson 1 each.

BEST: Matthew Williams, Lachlan Schreurs, Hugh Suckling, Kaj Patterson, Fergus Warren, Kyle Cooper.

GOALS, Morwell East: Jay Francis 2, Hayden Dwyer, Jackson Mackenzie, Jarrod Lont, Robert Michaelide, Matthew Cunningham 1 each.

BEST: Jarrod Lont, Robert Michaelides, Brandon Francis, Isaac Abas, Michael Diaz, Eric Semmler.

RESERVES

Tarwin 7.5 11.7 13.10 15.14 (104)
Morwell East 1.0 2.1 2.2 3.3 (21)

GOALS, Tarwin: Todd Lomax 5, Dale Lawton 3, Daniel Hales 2, Gabriel Brennan, Hayden Browne, William Blundy, Ben Chalmers, Joshua Carmody 1 each.

BEST: Todd Lomax, Robert Houston, Sam Burns, David Leggo, Stuart Kilsby, Ben Chalmers.

GOALS, Morwell East: Izayah Terrick, James Quinn, Liam Little 1 each.

BEST: Darren Tatterson, James Quinn, Jake Birchall, Norman Harrison, Aaron Dodd, Dylan Pappas.

THIRDS

MDU 2.2 6.4 7.6 10.6 (66)
Fish Creek 2.2 5.4 6.5 8.8 (56)

GOALS, MDU: Angus McInnes 5, Jordan Cleator 3, Billy Trotman, Kyra Helms 1 each.

BEST: Hunter Fennell, Angus McInnes, Jordan Cleator, Burke VanderZalm, Ryan Marshan, Lachlan Hibberson.

GOALS, Fish Creek: Max Fenton 2, Joseph Rysko, Ryan Gwin, Rory Standfield, Thomas Vuillermin, Seth Fenton, Harrison Watt 1 each.

BEST: Wilkie Edgelow, Billy Boyd, Kye McMillan, Max Fenton, Asher Hamlett, Harrison Watt.

MID GIPPSLAND

ROUND 10

Fish Creek v Mirboo North
Newborough v MDU
Yinnar v Hill End
Stony Creek v Foster
Boolarra v Morwell East
Toora v Tarwin
Thorpdale - BYE



Harley Hoppner attempts to evade as his opponent closes in.

Foster flexes their muscles

By Rob Popplestone

IT IS amazing how many times that two teams despite their respective positions on the ladder, (Foster sixth and Toora twelfth prior to round nine) can manage to fight out a closer than expected clash built on the back of a long-standing rivalry.

However, one of those times was not on the weekend gone. Foster flexing their muscle and at the same time sending a message to the league, that the Tigers are ready for bigger and better challenges.

"Really pleased with our performance after the first ten minutes - we had some post bye rust, but to have eleven or twelve different goal kickers and being ruthless was something we haven't been as a group in a long time," said Sam Davies, Foster coach.

But he is but one of a number that are making a Tigers team better as each week passes, and they will need to be as well, because waiting for their opportunity to have a go at Foster is Stony Creek this weekend.



Peter Grant contests the ball against Foster. Photos: Tarley Maurilli-Pullin

Two points sees Tarwin edge out the win

By Rob Popplestone

ALTHOUGH outside the top six on the MGFNL ladder, both Morwell East and Tarwin, who at seventh and eight respectively were both just one win away from third position such is the evenness of this competition.

It goes without saying therefore that both teams were also aware of the importance of victory, and that was reflected in the desperation that both sides showed throughout the afternoon, however in the end it was the Sharks, but only just.

"The game was a great game to watch! Great game to coach! Great game to win! We wanted to stay in the winners list but most importantly keep playing shark footy and we seem good snippets today," Troy Hemming, Tarwin coach said.

"Morwell East put up a huge fight and nearly got us at the line but we held on."

Those four premiership points are like gold, and Tarwin snatched them from a

Hawks side that all bar one poor quarter could have secured them as well.

"It was a devastating loss for us. A really bad third quarter cost us. We came home strong but just couldn't snatch it," said Paul Henry, Morwell East coach.

It is quite amazing, and possibly sounds exaggerated, that every week seems to be crucial for a number of teams, but guess what, Morwell East's clash with Boolarra this week is a must win for both teams, and not even a draw would be satisfactory.



MDU managed to get the better of Stony Creek but it was a tight match. Photo: Gerard Bruning

MDU spoils Stony's much needed win

AS MUCH as the focus was on the clash of Thorpdale and Newborough, this match between MDU and Stony Creek was every bit as intriguing.

The Demons had started to gather some real momentum in recent weeks and although the visiting Stony Creek were still desperately searching for another much-needed win, the Lions past fortnight even in defeat had proven they were very close to being a force to be reckoned with.

But that still remains the case with the

Demons getting the better of their visitors.

"It was another good result for us today, making it four in a row. Stony came at us all day, but we were able to kick away in the last quarter, but we head to Newborough next week so really forward to seeing how we stack up against them," said Nathan Allen, MDU coach.

As satisfying as the win is for the Demons, its death by a thousand cuts for the Lions, who continue to courageously fight out matches only to fall agonisingly short.

"It was a disappointing start to the game for our boys. Meeniyans run and spread was hard to defend early. We showed some fight in the last half by playing our brand of footy but it was too late. It shows how important it is to play four quarters of footy," Chris Verboon, Stony Creek coach said.

There is no doubt that Stony Creek will claim some scalps as we now head to the second half of the home and away season, and they would like their first to be their upcoming opponent in Foster.

Tigers outpace Magpies for defining victory

by Rover

MIRBOO North meritoriously defeated MGFNL 2022 premier, Yinnar, by 14 points in glorious 16c winter sunshine — after outpacing the Magpies with superior fitness in a hectic final quarter on Saturday.

It was annual reunion day at Tigerland, where a large number of past footy and netball premiership players from different eras had gathered to watch the mighty Tigers show their wares.

Following consecutive losses against Foster, Tarwin and Boolarra, Mirboo North's fourth victory of the season keeps it in touch with the top six, after four wins from nine games.

It was Yinnar's second loss for the season and ends a six-match winning streak for the Magpies.

Led by the skills, determination and litheness of Ethan Woodall, Hudson Kerr, Jesse Chila, Beau Peters, Jordan Cummaudo and Harry Mahoney, the mighty Tigers' speed and wider spread through the midfield, helped keep them in front for most of the afternoon.

Max Woodall, with two opening quarter goals, was another youthful Tiger who had to be constantly guarded by the Magpies.

After trailing at the main break by 17 points, Yinnar immediately hit its straps with three quick majors and Mirboo North's hard-fought lead had evaporated.

Two of these goals came from Josh Bugeja, the second of which followed a comedy of Mirboo North errors in the Magpies' goal square, that made the Keystone Cops look like dramatic actors.

Ten minutes into the term, Yinnar had squared the ledger, then it added a further behind, before Chila answered for Mirboo North with a successful snap, shortly before three-quarter time.

When Yinnar's burly Jarryd Garlick goaled three minutes into the final quarter, momentum was shifting the visitors' way.

Matt Williams, Ben Cheffers, Luke

Cheffers and Brendan Chapman, were in the thick of the action for Yinnar, as the large army of Mirboo North supporters looked on anxiously.

Mirboo North's behinds tally was mounting as Yinnar's pressure saw several half-chances go either side of the big white sticks.

Then, a goal from Ben Campbell after a driving kick from Darcy Brock, restored Mirboo North's lead.

An inexplicable poster by Garlick from 15 metres soon after, let the Tigers off the hook.

Thereafter, the experience of Julian Blackford, Joel Lambourn and Damien Turner, with assistance from Shannon Kennedy, Rhys Kratzat and Taj Wilkins, repelled every inside-50 Yinnar advance.

A link-up involving Blackford, Chila and Max Woodall, ferried the ball to Campbell, who booted his second and Mirboo North's sixth goal, to ensure victory for the Tigers in a low scoring game.

Mirboo North now journeys to Fish Creek, before it has the bye on Saturday July 1.

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS

SENIORS	W	L	%	pts
Newborough	8	0	193.03	32
MDU	6	3	158.41	24
Yinnar	6	2	126.42	24
Foster	5	3	194.71	20
Thorpdale	5	4	124.36	20
Tarwin	5	3	105.13	20
Fish Creek	5	3	101.09	20
Morwell East	4	4	109.60	16
Mirboo North	4	5	83.82	16
Boolarra	3	5	83.33	12
Stony Creek	2	6	84.51	8
Toora	1	7	35.39	4
Hill End	0	9	50.11	0

RESERVES	W	L	%	pts
Tarwin	7	1	382.38	28
MDU	7	2	381.44	28
Newborough	7	1	287.20	28
Toora	7	1	253.30	28
Yinnar	6	2	180.16	24
Fish Creek	4	4	134.56	16
Thorpdale	4	5	74.64	16
Morwell East	3	5	69.20	12
Stony Creek	3	5	61.72	12
Hill End	3	6	51.63	12
Mirboo North	2	7	50.95	8
Boolarra	1	7	31.15	4
Foster	0	8	25.75	0

THIRDS	W	L	%	pts
MDU	6	2	108.64	24
Mirboo North	5	3	180.74	20
Yinnar	5	4	136.92	20
Foster	5	3	128.05	20
Fish Creek/Tarwin	4	5	150.94	16
Newborough	0	8	13.91	0
Stony Creek	0	0	0.00	0
Hill End	0	0	0.00	0
Toora	0	0	0.00	0
Boolarra	0	0	0.00	0
Thorpdale	0	0	0.00	0
Morwell East	0	0	0.00	0

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

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MDU FOOTBALL CLUB

STONY CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB

 81	 60
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MDU	2.2	6.6	8.7	12.9 (81)
Stony Creek	1.1	2.4	6.7	8.12 (60)

GOALS, MDU: Brendan Tomada 4, Darren Sheen 3, Jake Bromley, Shaye Walsh, Jayden Deas, Timothy Harris, Matt Harris.

BEST: Shaye Walsh, Jake Bromley, Billy Evers, Ashleigh Allen, Benjamin Schroen, Matt Harris.

GOALS, Stony Creek: Chris Verboon 4, Jacob Byrnes 3, Hayden Funnell 1.

BEST: Chris Verboon, Hayden Funnell, Julian Stone, Matt Brown, Jai Bright, Dylan Zuidema.

RESERVES

MDU	2.4	4.9	6.12	9.17 (71)
Stony Creek	1.3	2.3	2.3	3.3 (21)

GOALS, MDU: Rhys Weaver 3, Ben Perry, Marty Beacham 2, Angus McInnes, Neil Mathieson 1 each.

BEST: Blake Moscript, Benjamin Maxwell, Travis Ruedin, Rhys Weaver, Marty Beacham, Rhys Livingstone.

GOALS, Stony Creek: Ryan McKnight, Jarrad Byrnes, Colby Michael 1 each.

BEST: Lucas Byrnes, Angus Wright, Ryan McKnight, Rohan Baudinette, Shaun Cope, James Monaghan.

THIRDS

MDU	2.2	6.4	7.6	10.6 (66)
Fish Creek	2.2	5.4	6.5	8.8 (56)

GOALS, MDU: Angus McInnes 5, Jordan Cleator 3, Billy Trotman, Kyra Helms 1 each.

BEST: Hunter Fennell, Angus McInnes, Jordan Cleator, Burke VanderZalm, Ryan Marshman, Lachlan Hibberson.

GOALS, Fish Creek: Max Fenton 2, Joseph Rysko, Ryan Gwin, Rory Standfield, Thomas Vuillerm, Seth Fenton, Harrison Watt 1 each.

BEST: Wilkie Edgelow, Billy Boyd, Kye McMillan, Max Fenton, Asher Hamlett, Harrison Watt.

MIRBOO NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB

 49	 35
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MIRBOO NORTH	1.0	1.2	4.3	5.5 (35)
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GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Max Woodall, Ben Campbell 2, Jesse Chila, Hudson Kerr 1 each.

BEST: Ethan Woodall, Hudson Kerr, Joel Lambourn, Jesse Chila, Julian Blackford, Beau Peters.

GOALS, Yinnar: Josh Bugeja 2, Matt Moseley, Kane Grinstead-Jones, Jarryd Garlick 1 each.

BEST: Matt Williams, Ben Cheffers, Luke Cheffers, Brendan Chapman, Josh Bugeja, Daniel Johnson.

RESERVES

Yinnar	1.3	3.6	5.9	7.13 (55)
Mirboo Nth	0.1	2.2	3.2	4.2 (26)

GOALS, Yinnar: Matthew McCafferty 3, Matt Nelson 2, Robert Webb, Cameron Le Page 1 each.

BEST: Xavier Geddes, Jack Findlay, Lachlan Alexander, Gabe Olver, Wayne Rowley, Cameron Le Page.

GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Jedd Felmingham, Tarmah Little, William Lewis, Robert Devine 1 each.

BEST: Jasan Hysen, Tarmah Little, Tyron Stevens, Jedd Felmingham, Luke Gervasi, Trevor Hart.

THIRDS

Mirboo Nth	3

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POOWONG FOOTBALL CLUB



Buln Buln 3.5 6.9 9.12 11.16 (82)

Poowong 1.0 3.0 7.2 10.5 (65)

GOALS, Buln Buln: Matthew Gray 3, Riley Rundell, Timothy Stoll 2, Jake Baker, Reece Campbell, Jake Pierrehumbert, Jacob Pickthall 1 each.**BEST:** Brendan Wall, Thomas Axford, Matthew Gray, Trent Baker, Shaun Beecroft, Daniel Axford.**GOALS, Poowong:** Jack Hazendonk 3, Matthew Cozzio, Alex Henshall 2, Conor Cunningham, Kurt Newton, Jarvis Brown 1 each.**BEST:** Jack Hazendonk, Mitchell van't Hof, Conor Cunningham, Thomas Robertson, Matthew Cozzio, Zac Gray.

RESERVES

Buln Buln 8.5 14.10 21.15 28.15 (183)

Poowong 0.0 2.0 2.1 2.1 (13)

GOALS, Buln Buln: Bryce Monahan, Simon Dawson, Ricky McKerrow 5, Jaryd Kelly 3, Sean Symes, Bradley Fusinato, Bailey Leatham 2, Fynn Hammond, Jared Lane, Matthew Garner, Jake Smith 1 each.**BEST:** Jared Lane, Simon Dawson, Bryce Monahan, Bailey Leatham, Thomas Jessup.**GOALS, Poowong:** Jake Lewis 2.**BEST:** Ben Peters, Harrison Sheedy, Lachlan Waters, Daniel Whelan, Fiachra Staunton, Bryce Townsend.

THIRDS

Buln Buln 2.1 5.2 7.5 10.7 (67)

Poowong 1.3 3.5 4.5 6.6 (42)

GOALS, Buln Buln: Logan Leatham 3, Hugh Nakamura, Rylan Kovacs 2, Damon Ingram, Ryan Bradshaw, Charlie Lindau 1 each.**BEST:** Rylan Kovacs, Jaran Guy, Blake Ross, Logan Leatham, Ryley Huysman.**GOALS, Poowong:** Angus Halliwell, Thomas Sherar 2, Rory Nettle, Bryce Townsend 1 each.**BEST:** Anthony Orsini, Lachlan Wilson, Tarkyn Taylor-Wilton, Angus Halliwell, Conor Avery, Harry Cecil.

FOURTHS

Buln Buln 4.2 7.3 8.7 11.8 (74)

Poowong 1.0 1.1 2.1 3.2 (20)

GOALS, Buln Buln: Dane Hammond 3, Aiden Smythe, Max Steenholdt, Tyler Best 2, Marley Parise, Charles Kilmartin 1 each.**BEST:** Lachlan Budd, Charlie Lindau, Cameron Eccles, Tyler Best, Bailen Lewien.**GOALS, Poowong:** Gavin Monson, Jett Blackwood, Achary Sherar 1 each.**BEST:** Gavin Monson, Rory Nettle, Jett Blackwood, Kohen Mandemaker, Johnathan Wilson, Angus Riley.

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS

Trafalgar 5.16.46 d Lang Lang 5.6.36

Yarragon 9.17.71 d Longwarry 5.8.38

Ellinbank 13.16.94 d N-Darnum 3.4.22

Neerim Sth 9.10.64 d Catani 6.12.48

RESERVES

Lang Lang 10.5.65 d Trafalgar 4.3.27

Yarragon 15.14.104 d Longwarry 7.5.47

Ellinbank 15.10.100 d N-Darnum 3.3.21

Neerim Sth 11.8.74 d Catani 5.8.38

THIRDS

Lang Lang 4.9.33 d Trafalgar 4.8.32

Yarragon 9.7.61 d Longwarry 7.11.53

Neerim South 6.7.43 d Ellinbank 3.9.27

FOURTHS

Lang Lang 7.8.50 d Trafalgar 5.4.34

Longwarry 10.12.72 d Yarragon 2.1.13

Ellinbank 15.12.102 d N-Darnum 0.2.2

THIS WEEKEND'S DRAW

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

ELLINBANK ROUND 12

Yarragon v Trafalgar
Nilma Darnum v Longwarry
Catani v Ellinbank
Buln Buln v Neerim South
Nyora v Poowong
Lang Lang - BYE

GIPPSLAND ROUND 11

Maffra v Sale
Morwell v Traralgon
Drouin v Bairnsdale
Moe v Wonthaggi
Leongatha v Warragul

WEST GIPPSLAND ROUND 11

Bunyip v Koo Wee Rup
Cora Lynn v Kilcunda-Bass
Garfield v Phillip Island
Korumburra-Bena v Nar Nar Goon
Tooradin-Dalmore v Inverloch-Kongwak
Warragul Industrials v Dalyston

Magpies fight hard

By Geoff Wyatt

POOWONG travelled to Buln Buln to play all grades, the ground was damp underfoot and did cause some players to lose their footing and their confidence.

There was a three or four goal breeze blowing to the Warragul end, to which Buln Buln kicked first. Big game for Poowong, up against the top of the ladder side and trying to justify they are worthy of the fifth spot.

Poowong made two changes coming in Steve McInnes and Tyron Lord replacing Charlie Koscal injured and Rhys Butler to give him some solid football.

Poowong kicked the first goal from a free kick to Kurt Newton, there was a lot of pressure being applied by both sides, Buln Buln lost a player for an indiscretion.

Buln Buln had the breeze for the second quarter, but the Buln Buln forward line took advantage of some poor tagging to add two goals before Poowong was able to go forward for Connor Cunningham to goal from a Mitch Whiting pass.

Buln Buln managed two minors before Poowong's Jack Hazendonk kicked his first from a free kick.

Poowong had a player sent off and this put pressure on Poowong's defence, Buln Buln took advantage kicking a goal from a good pass, they wasted

a couple of late opportunities.

Poowong were working hard but unfortunately, they had a couple of players struggling to get into the game.

Poowong started the third quarter well with a great snap by Alex Henshall for a goal, Buln Buln replied with two goals to open up the gap on the scoreboard.

Poowong's players lifted their work rate adding three goals Alex Henshall to Mat Cozzio for a goal, Jarvis Brown a goal from a free kick and Alex Henshall adding his second.

Buln Buln added a late goal to open up a twenty-two-point lead at three quarter time.

Poowong were determined and having the advantage of the strengthening breeze this gave them an opportunity, they started well with Kurt Newton passing to Matt Cozzio for his second.

Buln Buln came back kicking two goals from solid marks at full forward, Poowong players lifted after a couple of great efforts by Zac Gray leading the way, unfortunately their efforts did not show up on the score board managing two points and an out of bounds.

Jack Hazendonk hit the post after a mark, he then showed his great football ability adding a goal from a free kick and his third from a long kick.

The margin was back to 16 points, despite Poowong's efforts they could not reduce



Poowong's Matt Cozzio gets the tackle. Photos: Jeff Tull

this margin. Buln Buln adding a late point and when the siren sounded Buln Buln were home by seventeen points.

Poowong remain a game and half plus percentage clear in fifth place and their effort

against the top side showed they have a great chance of playing in the finals.

Buln Buln have a good side but not unbeatable.

The finals could come down to teams playing disciplined football and injuries.

Leongatha overpowers Sale in second half

LEONGATHA overcame a

number of prominent Parrot absentees and a determined and disciplined Sale outfit, bouncing back after a fast start from the Magpies to win by 38 points.

It was an excellent and tight first half, with the more accurate Sale a point ahead at the long break.

Leongatha got right on top in the midfield after that, with Luke Bowman, Aaron Heppe, Tom Marriott and Kim Drew assuming control in the third quarter.

Earlier, the talented Leslie were instrumental in Sale's commanding start to the day with Jack and Will thwarting Leongatha's attacking forays and driving the Magpies forward.

Parrots coach Trent McMicking summed up Sale's impressive start.

"They jumped us early and got us on transition from the

back half," he said.

That set up three quick goals for the Magpies, with a couple of those coming from the boot of Brad Dessent.

While Leongatha increasingly dominated the forward 50 entries as the first term progressed, the Parrots failed to capitalise, finishing the term with just five behinds and a 14-point deficit.

"Our decision making inside 50 was a little bit off," McMicking said.

The winning side's eventual best player Guy Dickson began to flourish in the second term, teaming with Cade Maskell to take control in the air when Sale moved into attack.

Dickson's intercept marking throughout the second and third quarters helped set up the Parrots' win.

Jack Hume's work on the wing and up forward was again excellent and he was able to break the lines, run and carry

the ball and kick high quality goals when they were needed, finishing with three majors, a tally matched by Heppell.

While Leongatha's Tallin Brill booted just one goal for the game and Jesse Burns didn't manage a major, both did their job with McMicking praising their forward pressure and noting Burns provided valuable goal assists.

Leongatha's second half midfield dominance and improved decision making and execution in its forward line enabled the Parrots to boot five third term goals and repeat that output in the last quarter.

Jack Leslie was named best for the beaten Magpies, with Will next on the list.

"They did as many things as they could and were outstanding," McMicking said of the talented Sale pair, also praising the efforts of Magpie Jack Johnstone who also played

ELLINBANK & DISTRICT LEAGUE LADDERS							ROUND 11												
SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	% WON	FOURTHS	W	L	%	% WON
Neerim South	10	0	206.81	40	Neerim South	10	0	535.71	40	Neerim South	8	1	245.12	88.8	Neerim South	8	0	407.81	94.4
Ellinbank	8	2	213.37	32	Ellinbank	8	2	321.29	32	Buln Buln	8	1	243.92	88.8	Ellinbank	9	1	398.46	90.0
Neerim South	7	2	321.02	28	Lang Lang	8	2	284.62	32	Ellinbank	7	2	274.73	77.7	Trafalgar	6	3	174.92	65.0
Trafalgar	7	3	105.96	28	Buln Buln	7	3	211.83	28	Yarragon	4	5	76.21	44.4	Longwarry	6	4	96.75	60.0
Poowong	6	4	94.57	24	Catani	6	4	146.93	24	Longwarry	3	6	67.45	33.3	Lang Lang	5	5	137.63	50.0
Yarragon	4	5	87.59	16	Trafalgar	4	6	150.26	16	Trafalgar	3	6	57.56	33.3	Buln Buln	5	5	92.09	50.0
Lang Lang	4	6	75.18	16	Yarragon	4	6	71.30	16	Poowong	2	7	37.80	23.3	Yarragon	1	7	28.78	16.6
Nyora	3	7	68.48	12	Longwarry	3	7	57.07	12	Lang Lang	1	8	40.77	1.1	Poowong	1	8	37.41	15.0
Longwarry	3	7	65.44	12	Nyora	3	7	46.85	12	Catani	0	0	0.00	0	Nilma Darnum	1	9	23.61	10.0
Catani	2	8	74.27	8	Nilma Darnum	2	8	33.03	8	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0	Catani	0	0	0.00	0
Nilma Darnum	0	10	40.79	0	Poowong	0	10	10.72	0	Nilma Darnum	0	0	0.00	0	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0



Toma Huther snaps a goal for Wonthaggi as Power charges away from Maffra.

Wonthaggi too classy for Maffra from go to whoa

ANOTHER powerful Ryan Sparkes' performance led the way for Wonthaggi in a crushing 133-point win over Maffra.

Power dominated the Eagles from start to finish, racing to a 32-point quarter time lead without Maffra having scored.

"It was a really positive start lads and you are creating a heap of chances," Wonthaggi playing coach Jarryd Blair told his charges during the opening break, praising Power's structured and confident approach in the midfield.

He urged his players not to be rushed into passing when they found space in front of them, being willing to have a bounce and capitalise on late leads from forwards or break into the 50-metre arc and have a shot on the run.

Despite the largely excellent quarter, Jack Blair chimed in to say there were a few scrappy moments with long indiscriminate Power kicks finding Maffra's spare man in defence.

"If you feel the game's getting a bit scrappy, let's just find a target," he urged.

Coach Blair also pointed out Wonthaggi's backmen got a little too far up field on occasion.

The considered assessment of the situation and enthusiasm for continued improvement shows the determination of the Power group to be there at the pointy end of the season, something that looks likely.

Strong teamwork and a commitment to every contest shone through in a game Wonthaggi never looked like losing.

A mark and set shot goal to Lachlan Allman approaching time on in the second



Jack Hutchinson applies pressure to his Maffra opponent.

term delivered Maffra's first score for the game, with Power having already raced to 9.6 (60) by then.

Sparkes' fellow onballer and Power skipper Aiden Lindsay was another commanding presence for the winning team.

Forward Cooper McInnes again underlined the value of his recruitment from Inverloch Kongwak, being in the action from early and finishing with six Wonthaggi goals.

Noah Anderson booted just a couple of majors less for the victorious Power, with robust teammate Troy Harley managing three goals.

Jack Hutchinson returned to the Power side, boosting its already wide-ranging scoring options and booting a couple of majors.

Big man Toma Huther was switched on from the outset, working hard around the ground and winning the footy, registering a couple of goals, including one in the second term that involved dodging opponents and finishing with an impressive snap.

He was freed up at times by Jordan Staley's work in the ruck.

Brayden Monk did best for the beaten Maffra, with James Read joining Allman as the Eagles' pair of single goal kickers.

GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS

SENIORS						RESERVES						THIRDS						FOURTHS						ROUND 10			
W	L	%	pts	W	L	%	pts	W	L	%	pts	W	L	%	pts	W	L	%	pts	W	L	%	pts				
Leongatha	9	1	215.28	36	Wonthaggi	8	2	309.56	32	Traralgon	9	0	345.86	36	Traralgon	10	0	331.73	40	Maffra	8	2	200.80	32			
Moe	9	1	163.41	36	Wonthaggi	7	3	170.23	28	Maffra	7	1	148.42	28	Maffra	8	2	188.65	32	Bairnsdale	8	2	144.44	28			
Wonthaggi	8	2	224.41	32	Traralgon	7	3	168.47	28	Leongatha	7	2	139.95	28	Leongatha	5	5	136.94	20	Bairnsdale	7	3	94.64	20			
Traralgon	8	2	132.42	32	Maffra	7	3	162.50	28	Bairnsdale	5	3	143.94	22	Moe	3	6	44.24	12	Warragul	5	4	152.59	20			
Sale	4	6	94.99	16	Moe	7	3	142.73	28	Warragul	5	4	103.78	20	Warragul	1	7	72.52	6	Moe	3	6	50.00	4			
Morwell	4	6	83.31	16	Sale	4	6	98.43	16	Leongatha	9	0	116.79	16	Leongatha	1	8	41.41	4	Leongatha	1	8	41.41	4			
Bairnsdale	3	9	71.46	14	Bairnsdale	4	6	116.79	16	Traralgon	7	1	16.99	4	Traralgon	10	0	20.42	0	Morwell	1	8	50.00	4			
Maffra	2	7	60.19	10	Maffra	4	6	116.79	16	Maffra	7	1	16.99	4	Maffra	8	2	14.41	4	Warragul	1	8	25.22	0			
Warragul	2	8	43.98	8	Warragul	1	9	16.99	4	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0	Wonthaggi	2	8	38.06	8	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0			
Drouin	0	10	65.32	0	Drouin	0	10	20.42	0	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0			

GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

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LEONGATHA FOOTBALL CLUB

 **98**  **60**

LEONGATHA

SALE

Leongatha	0.5	4.7	9.10	14.14 (98)
Sale	3.1	5.2	6.5	9.6 (60)

GOALS, Leongatha: Aaron Heppell 1, Jack Hume 3, Trent McRae, Lachie Wright 2, Tallin Brill, Thomas Marriott, Jenson Garnham, Luke Bowman 1 each.

BEST: Guy Dickson, Jack Hume, Jesse Burns, Cade Maskell, Thomas Marriott, Benjamin Willis.

GOALS, Sale: Kane Martin 3, Brad Dessent, Jonty McGuiness 2, Rohan Diamond, Jack Leslie 1 each.

BEST: Jack Leslie, Will Leslie, Jack McLaren, Shannen Lange, Daine McGuiness, Kane Martin.

RESERVES

Leongatha	1.2	3.4	3.5	6.5 (41)
Sale	2.2	3.6	5.9	5.10 (40)

GOALS, Sale: Liam Place 3, Christopher Laverty, Hayden Potts, Thomas Wrigglesworth 1 each.

BEST: Liam Place, Christopher Laverty, Hayden Potts, Jamie Sweeney, Ostin Waugh, Eoin Hanrahan.

GOALS, Leongatha: Noah Fixter 2, Jacob Lamers, Joshua Schelling, Ty Hall 1 each.

BEST: Kyle Brown, Ethan Lamers, Levi Hickey, Noah Fixter, Ty Hall, Noah Clark.

THIRDS

Leongatha	3.5	8.6	10.9	13.12 (90)
Sale	0.1	4.3	6.8	7.10 (52)

GOALS, Leongatha: Ben Fort, Tadgh Gannon 3, Max Donohue, Jett Garnham 2, Will Brown, Beau Grabham Andrews, Cooper Quaife 1 each.

BEST: Max Donohue, Tadgh Gannon, Nathan Skewes, Ben Fort, Cooper Quaife, Beau Grabham Andrews.

GOALS, Sale: Thomas Wrigglesworth 2, Zane Waixel, Kane Cutler, Charlie New, Baxter Pearce, Charlie Wilson 1 each.

BEST: Jack Cantwell, Cayden Johnson, Tyson Dobson, Thomas Wrigglesworth, Baxter Pearce, Zane Waixel.

FOURTHS

Leongatha	6.3	8.3	10.7	14.9 (93)
Sale	1.1	6.1	6.3	8.5 (53)

GOALS, Leongatha: No goal scorers provided.

BEST: Kade Berryman, Hayden Bowler, Klayton McGrath, Alby Logan, Timothy Hibberson, Finn Donohue.

GOALS, Sale: Harry Tatterson 3, Nicholas Rand 2, Charlie Cantwell, Baylin Grubb, Thomas Boyd 1 each.

BEST: Baylin Grubb, Finn Wilson, Darcy Vandervoort, Harry Tatterson, Charlie Cantwell, Harper Walker.

WONTHAGGI FOOTBALL CLUB

 **146**  **13**

WONTHAGGI

MAFFRA

Wonthaggi	5.2	10.6	16.10	22.14 (146)
Maffra	0.0	1.0	2.1	2.1 (13)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Cooper McInnes 6, Noah Anderson 4, Troy Harley 3, Toma Huther, Tom Davey, Jack Hutchinson 2, Ryan Sparkes, Jarryd Blair, Brodie Mabilia 1 each.

BEST: Ryan Sparkes, Aiden Lindsay, Shannon Bray, Kyle Reid, Jordan Staley, Cooper McInnes.

GOALS, Maffra: James Read, Lachlan Allman 1 each.

BEST: Brayden Monk, Nathan Pollard, Alex Carr, James Read, Ed Carr, Sam Robbins.

RESERVES

Wonthaggi	5.2	6.5	8.8	10.9 (69)
Maffra	0.0	0.2	2.4	3.4 (22)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Nathan Jones, Blake Cornelis 2, Kane McCarthy, Lachie Jones, Jake Thomas, Reeve Moresco, Ollie Dawson, Adam Busana 1 each.

BEST: Travis Krause, Ollie Dawson, Ryan Cornell, Jake Thomas, Jye Gilmour, Kurt Brown.

GOALS, Maffra: Jesse Oldham, Andrew McKenzie, Cameron Johnson 1 each.

BEST: Mathew Rodaughan, William Pleming, Jordan Stubb, Jesse Oldham, Will Brunt.

FOURTHS

Maffra	2.5	6.8	8.11	12.15 (87)
Wonthaggi	0.0	1.0	2.0	3.0 (18)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Jaxon Brouwers 2, Nate Pugh 1.

BEST: Connor MacMillan, Thomas MacMillan, Lucas Ton, Ayden Fawaz, Jaxon Brouwers, Jorin Joske.

GOALS, Maffra: Will Burgiel, Zachary O'Keefe 3, Jett McMahon, Thomas Phillips 2, Jack McQuillen, Elijah Berry 1 each.

BEST: Zachary O'Keefe, Judd Burgiel, Marcus Proud, Jack McQuillen, Archer Stobie, Jaylen Henry.

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS

Traralgon	21.8.134	d	Drouin	10.13.73
Morwell	12.11.83	d		

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WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION

Inverloch-Kongwak 8.7.55 d Cora Lynn 4.7.31

Warragul Ind 10.15.75 d Kilcunda Bass 5.10.40

Koo Wee Rup 10.9.69 d Garfield 6.6.42

Nar Nar Goon 18.17.125 d Dalyston 6.6.42

Phillip Island 30.23.203 d Korumburra-Bena 2.3.15

Tooradin-Dalmore 21.13.139 d Bunyip 3.10.28

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KORUMBURRA FOOTBALL CLUB

 **203**  **15**

PHILLIP ISLAND KORUMBURRA-BENA

Phillip Island 11.8 15.11 22.15 30.23 (203)

Kor-Bena 1.3 1.3 2.3 2.3 (15)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Jai Jordan, Max Blake 5, Travis Woodfield, Jack Taylor 3, Daniel Bourke 2, Hayden Bruce, Jordy Patullo, Billy Taylor, Bryce Indhaugh, Matthew Jones, Coby Olarenshaw, Cammeron Pedersen, Ben Taylor, Thomas Niven, Orlando Kane Gillard, Fin O'Brien, Mark Griffin 1 each.

BEST: Hayden Bruce, Jai Jordan, Max Blake, Jack Taylor, Orlando Kane Gillard, Kai Mackenzie.

GOALS, Kor-Bena: Byron Walker, Joel Cuman 1 each.

BEST: Tyson Findlay, Jack Spencer, Nicholas Besley, Tarkyn Walker, Jay Walker, Joel Cuman.

RESERVES

Phillip Island 4.4 7.11 12.14 12.20 (92)

Kor-Bena 0.0 0.3 0.3 1.3 (9)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Harry Anderson 4, James Nicolaci 3, Henry Peppard, Dylan Susic 2, Tyler Kleverkamp 1.

BEST: Leon Matthews, Jack Opitz, Cooper Logan, Harry Anderson, Tyce Kleverkamp, Henry Peppard.

GOALS, Kor-Bena: Russ White 1.

BEST: Adam Fisher, Jesse Harris, Ben Pugh, Scott Braithwaite, Paul Gollop, Alessi Green.

THIRDS

Phillip Island 4.5 11.8 16.14 22.17 (149)

Kor-Bena 0.0 0.0 1.0 1.0 (6)

BEST, Phillip Island: Brayden Kleverkamp, Darcy Thompson, Beau Davies, James Lewis, Finn Cashman, Jye Sutherland.

BEST Kor-Bena: Adam Fisher, Jesse Harris, Ben Pugh, Scott Braithwaite, Paul Gollop, Alessi Green.

FOURTHS

Phillip Island 3.5 8.7 10.10 13.18 (96)

Kor-Bena 0.0 1.1 1.2 1.4 (10)

BEST, Phillip Island: Bailey Hennessy, Xavier Williams, Noah Williams, Oliver Duggan, Cooper Walton, Jasper Cashman.

BEST Kor-Bena: Caleb Turton, Indie Cameron, Max Fowles, Jack Crocker, Ky Gow, Andrew Nowell.

KILCUNDA-BASS FOOTBALL CLUB

 **75**  **40**

WARRAGUL IND KILCUNDA-BASS

Warragul Ind 2.5 3.6 7.13 10.15 (75)

Kilcunda-Bass 0.0 3.7 3.8 5.10 (40)

GOALS, Warragul Ind: Mason McGarry, Michael Debenham, Joshua Eyre, Adrian De Sando 2, Todd Beck, Kyle Staples 1 each.

BEST: Luke Walker, Matthew Herbert, Bailey Beck, Will Gibson, Kyle Staples, Todd Beck.

GOALS, K-Bass: Taylor Gibson 2, Ashden Grenness, Dean Mcrae, Jonathon Rocotos 1 each.

BEST: Dale Gawley, Daniel Mock, Benjamin Eddy, Nathan Foote, John Mentiplay, Dean Mcrae.

RESERVES

Warragul Ind 2.3 8.7 11.11 15.17 (107)

Kilcunda-Bass 0.0 3.7 3.8 5.10 (32)

GOALS, Warragul Ind: Kane Taylor 5, Tyler Irving, Johnathan Miron 2, Mitchell Jamieson, Stephen Joyce, James Brown, Tom Turner, Kiel Vann, Regan Awty 1 each.

BEST: Tyler Irving, Kane Taylor, Johnathan Miron, Regan Awty, Michael Ablett, Kiel Vann.

GOALS, K-Bass: Ben Wemyss, Todd Smith 2, Noah Martin 1.

BEST: Ben Wemyss, Michael Gatherum, Ryley Duff, Noah Martin, Trent Cartmel, Adam Banks.

THIRDS

Warragul Ind 1.1 4.7 5.7 8.10 (158)

Kilcunda-Bass 0.2 0.2 0.3 1.4 (10)

BEST, Warragul Ind: Noah Rogers, Brody Turner, Jed Pinkerton, Harrison Radcliffe, Jack Logan, Declan Burton.

BEST, K-Bass: Toby Challinor, Ben Wemyss, Jack Hosking, Blake Baker, Nicholas Slavovic, Finn Russell.

Bulldogs topple Giants in a decisive win

WHOLESALE changes to the Bulldogs this week, with a plethora of senior players injured or being rested, with a litter of young pups coming in to fill the spots. Combined with Jai Jordan back for his first game since Round 2, Coby Olarenshaw, Noah Bee-Hickman, U18s gun Zac Walker made it back to the seniors. Finn O'Brien came in from the Under 16s for his first game at just 15 years old – sparking lots of discussions on the youngest player to represent the seniors for the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs were also fielding one of the youngest teams seen for many a day with nine players under 21. Slightly offset by some elder statesmen, such a young side representing the Bulldogs had the faithful buzzing.

With an early start, the Bulldogs were away, and any doubts about the teams' capabilities with such a young playing group were put to bed.

A blistering opening of 11 goals in the first was to set the scene for one of the most consistent efforts across the four quarters from the Bulldogs all season.

The first goal came just 33 seconds in the game off the boot of Bryce Hindhaugh, and from there it was all Bulldogs.

Dominating from the centre, the Bulldogs cut the Giants to shreds all over the grounds. Hayden Bruce took over where he left off the previous week, almost certainly contracting leather poisoning from his constant winning of the ball across the four quarters.

The welcome return of Jai Jordan presented the Bulldogs with yet another big-man option. Freely rotating through the rucking and forward positions, the Bulldogs brigade of Bourke, Pedersen and Jai caused mayhem for the opposition. Being already relatively short on tall players, the Giants couldn't figure out who they were on given the constant rotations.

In the forward line, Max Blake was to lead the show kicking five goals across the first three quarters. Trav Woodfield had a day out until doing his hamstring in the third. Zack Walker admirably filled in as a defender, whilst Mark



The Bulldogs' Daniel Bourke goes high in the ruck. Photo: Carol Ratcliff

Griffin returned to his role to totally eclipse the Burra's leading forward Paul Fermanis. Kai Mackenzie provided continual drive from the back-half. The bad news of the day was statesman of the team Brendan Kimber sustaining a serious injury in the third which is likely to see the end of his season – all the best wishes to him, with all the Bulldogs faithful thinking of him.

By three quarter time, the Bulldogs had extended the lead to 132 points, and it was time for extensive rotations.

Up forward went the young guns of the team, and again this worked.

An end total of 17 individual goal kickers in the 30 kicked, and the Bulldogs with a win of 188 points showed the depth of talent with this team, and the free-flowing nature of the game that coach Pedersen is instilling in his charges!

Injuries continue to plague the Panthers

IT WAS a must win game for both teams to keep their finals hopes alive.

But unfortunately for Kilcunda-Bass, they were still plagued with injuries and the Dusties managed to regain some of their experienced players.

The Dusties won the toss and obviously kicked with the breeze.

KB's defence held up well in the first term, only allowing two goals with the strong breeze against them, and the Panthers went into the second quarter feeling confident they could hit the lead at half time.

In the second quarter, the Dusties did exactly what KB's defence did – slow the game down, get repeat stoppages and

play along the boundary.

KB were able to break through and take a seven-point lead, but the Dusties kicked one against the breeze, and drew back the margin to one point at half time.

As always, Dale Gawley and Nathan Foote were playing brilliantly for KB, and Ben Eddy was also getting plenty of it in the midfield.

But in the third quarter, the Dusties experience shone through, with Luke Walker, Bailey Beck, Todd Beck and Will Gibson getting plenty of the ball around the ground.

They kicked four goals for the term, but also seven points, so straighter

kicking could've seen their 29-point lead being a larger one.

KB thought they were still well within a chance to make the comeback now that they had the wind in the last, but the Dusties mids were too good and ran over the top in the last quarter.

With the wind advantage lessening, they kicked the first three goals of the term, putting the result out of doubt, and KB only managed to peg it back to 35 points before the final siren.

It was a disappointing loss for KB, knowing it was a pivotal game for the season.

They will need to be at their best against Cora Lynn on Saturday.

Inverloch Kongwak outguns Cora Lynn

TOP-of-the-table Inverloch Kongwak set up a tantalising clash against second-placed Tooradin Dalmore with a solid home win over Cora Lynn in difficult conditions on Saturday.

With a powerful swirling north-westerly wind proving tricky whether kicking into or against it, Sea Eagles playing coach Tom Hams put the focus on moving the ball by hand where possible.

At the final change, he urged his players to quickly snuff out the Cobras' sense of hope.

That followed a Cora Lynn goal moments before the three quarter time siren that cut the Sea Eagles' lead to just two goals.

Inverloch Kongwak took firm control from there, not giving its opponent any meaningful opportunities and adding two last term goals while conceding just a couple of behinds during that period.

Hams praised the disciplined team defence his side delivered throughout the match, particularly noting the contributions of backmen Jarvis Pryor and Michael Eales who between them contained a couple of dangerous Cobra forwards to a goal apiece.

That was the most any Cora Lynn player could manage, with four single goal kickers.

By contrast, Inverloch Kongwak spearhead Toby Mahony booted an impressive five majors and wasn't shy to let opponents know about it, at one stage getting in the face of Cobra Timothy Payne.

Mahony was the game's only multiple goal scorer and three of his majors came against the wind.

Hams was pleased with the ability of his charges to overcome injury setbacks during the match and soldier on productively.

"I think it's the first time we've had a



Inverloch Kongwak applies pressure on Cora Lynn during the second half of the Sea Eagles' win. A44_2523

few injuries and been down rotations (this season) and I felt it, and it shows our willingness to work for each other and do what we need to do to win," he said.

The coach gave credit to the opposition.

"They're a good and dangerous team and will probably make finals this year," Hams said, driving home the significance of the win for the Sea Eagles.

Pryor was acknowledged as the winner's best with Clint McCaughan and Bailey Patterson also prominent.

Young Taite Cumming delivered some electrifying moments, reading the play well and taking a strong contested mark for the Sea Eagles during the third term.

"He came out of the Under 18s last year and has been playing key forward for us

and he's a special talent; he's got all the attributes, jumps high, takes marks and has been fantastic in his first year of senior footy," Hams said.

The coach felt the Sea Eagles' ability to do well against the wind was a crucial factor in the victory, with a couple of goals late in the first quarter enabling the side to edge ahead at the opening break and Inverloch managing a competitive third stanza against the breeze.

That set up a final term assault kicking to the town end with the wind.

William Thomas was named best for the competitive but ultimately outgunned Cora Lynn.

Inverloch Kongwak's win has kept it a game ahead of Tooradin Dalmore, with the Sea Eagles striving to continue their unbeaten 2023 record in round 11.

Dalyston swept away by the Goon

FINALS aspirants Nar Nar Goon dealt the developing Magpie team another setback with a percentage boosting, wind assisted battering in their round 10 clash.

The consequences of playing to the conditions are integral on days of extreme wind. Making your opportunities count when you have the benefit of a roaring gale can be the tipping point to potential success. Or as Dalyston learnt, failing to take advantage, when presented, puts you right behind the eight ball.

The Magpies had won the toss however The Goon drew first blood into the wind with Dermie Yawney earning a free kick in the teeth of goals.

Ball magnet, Curtis Murfett had his wheels spinning early and was creating opportunities for the visitors. His tackle pressure allowed Hayden Wallis to unleash with a long bomb from 50, and Dalyston had the reply.

Despite having numerous good looks

thereafter, the Pies fluffed their chances to create any scoreboard pressure and a second goal to Yawney late in the term had NNG leading by three points at the change.

The home team gained further momentum in the second term, making an early statement with Yawney and Pipicelli nailing two quick majors.

The Magpies pegged one back when Legione, at the bottom of the pack, drew a free but that was the only score for his team in this period.

The Goon was winning the ball out of the centre with increasing ease, with Peni, Boavida and Armour constant threats. Three further goals stretched the margin to 39 points at half time.

Third quarter, Dalyston wind at their back, and yet again big Yawney starts proceedings with his fourth.

A trio of Dalyston youngsters teamed together to nail the next when West found

Armstrong whose handball released Brad Monson to unload on his left.

The Magpies held sway for the next twenty minutes with their only blemish unfortunately gifting a goal to McDermott. But in between Dalyston worked resolutely and goals to Storr and Wallis, with two, capped their teammate's efforts.

The four goal to two quarter was an improvement, being 28 points behind presented an undeniable challenge.

There was no miraculous wind direction change and the Goon planted their foot for the last thirty minutes. Physically stronger and seemingly faster they wore through the Pies' lingering resilience to pile on the misery. Eight goals from 16 scoring shots paints the picture of their dominant finish.

Before the mid-season bye, Dalyston are on the road again to face the Dusties at Warragul. Hopefully better fortune will blow their way.

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Phillip Island Breakers soccer club junior players not only got to see the women's world cup trophy but were even able to meet the official mascot Tazuni. Ns012523

What do Phillip Island's penguins and soccer have in common? A mascot apparently!

PASSIONATE soccer players from Phillip Island Breakers were delighted to meet some of the star women of the sport as the official trophy for the Women's World Cup 2023 visited the Penguin Parade last week.

Dozens of players and members from the Breakers soccer club got up close and personal with the original women's world cup trophy, and even had the chance to

meet young Matilda player Sofia Sakalis, Matildas alumni Theresa Deas and FIFA legend, Babett Peter.

Since starting its global tour in Melbourne in February, the trophy has visited all 32 competing nations in the tournament before its final leg around New Zealand and Australia as the host nations.

And the tour had a very good reason to visit the Penguin Parade on Phillip Island,

as the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 official mascot, Tazuni, is also a penguin!

Junior players from the Breakers soccer clubs were able to get their photos taken with the trophy and have their jerseys signed, with big smiles all round.

In attendance were representatives from Phillip Island Nature Parks and Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale.

From July 20 to August 20, Federation

Square will be home of the Melbourne FIFA Fan Festival where fans, spectators and visitors can enjoy the matches, atmosphere, and entertainment of the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023.

All matches will be broadcast live on the big screen along with a free program of live music, entertainment, kids' activities, and a variety of food trucks and bars serving flavours from the 32 competing nations.

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