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- Bass Coast squeezed in Geelong power play

BASS Coast’s councillors, and the local community, have been completely blindsided by the announcement last Friday that their CEO of four years and five months, Ali Wastie, is going to the troubled City of Greater Geelong as its new Chief Executive Officer.

As late as last Wednesday, June 21, when councillors met for their regular monthly council meeting, they still didn’t know of her plans for a sudden departure...

...or that the Minister for Local Government, Melissa Horne, was pulling the strings.

Even when the councillors went into closed session, at the end of their meeting, to discuss a performance review from the shire’s ‘CEO Employment Matters Committee’, reportedly to formalise Ms Wastie’s new five-year contract extension, they were still in the dark.

In fact, the councillors were only told of

By Michael Giles

Ms Wastie’s departure on Friday morning, just hours before a media statement went out at 12 noon and some councillors contacted by the ‘Sentinel-Times’ were still in a state of shock last Friday afternoon.

Clearly though, the appointment has been a long time in the making, and has passed through dozens of hands, including those of the State Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Melissa Horne MP, before being announced on Friday.

And it’s likely that questioning of the Minister at the State Government’s Public Accounts and Estimates Committee (PAEC) hearing on June 14, by the Member for Western Victoria, and PAEC Committee Member, Bev McArthur, precipitated the Geelong appointment, and Ms Wastie’s sudden departure from Bass Coast, little more than two weeks later.

“Going to Geelong, Minister, as I un-

derstand the monitors have reported, ‘There’s nothing to see here’. Why do Geelong ratepayers still have to fund a monitor – or two, actually?” Ms McArthur asked the Minister.

“They are doing some really important work down there, and the chief municipal inspectorate wrote to me a little while ago recommending that monitors be put in place around the appointment of the CEO. They are currently going through that process, and it was incumbent on me to respond to that integrity.”

Ms McArthur claimed the CEO appointment process was taking 18 months to two years to complete, despite the fact that former CEO Martin Cutter departed “unexpectedly” in September 2022, leaving the city’s Director of Strategy, People and Performance, Kaarina Phyland, in charge as Acting CEO.

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Bass Coast squeezed in Geelong power play

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"They are going through the final stages of recruitment at the moment... I am having periodic updates from the monitors down in Geelong, who are really confident in the process of appointing a CEO. They are saying that is what really needs to happen before any other decisions are made," Minister Horne said, referring to the tenure of municipal monitors.

So, Geelong's gain is our loss.

Secretary of the Bass Coast Ratepayers and Residents Association, Kevin Griffin, termed the announcement as "unbelievable!"

"Just a few months into a 5-year appointment the CEO has jumped ship," Mr Griffin said on social media.

"Not even so long as a year ago Ms Wastie said that she was thrilled to continue to serve Bass Coast Shire Council as Chief Executive Officer... it is reasonable to ask how soon after BCSC announced the 5-year extension did Ms Wastie begin seeking out other positions?"

Last Friday, the Bass Coast Shire Council announced it would "soon start a search for a new Chief Executive Officer following the resignation of Ali Wastie who has accepted a new role" but would appoint "an interim leader" in the meantime.

Ms Wastie said she was proud of the achievements Council had delivered in her short time at the helm of "one of Victoria's most progressive and dynamic councils", including population and economic growth, critical infrastructure investment and managing the challenges of COVID.

Highlights, she said, included "council's landmark gender equality work", including 16 weeks paid parental leave regardless of gender, a partnership agreement



Bass Coast Mayor Cr Michael Whelan has credited departing CEO Ali Wastie with helping to transform the Bass Coast Shire during her short stint in the shire's top job.

with Hawthorn Football Club to promote women and girls' participation in sport, equal prize money for sports events on shire property and the development of a Climate Change Action Plan and Waste Strategy towards achieving net zero emissions by 2030.

The step-up to managing Victoria's second biggest municipality is a big one, going from Bass Coast's \$106 million annual budget to Geelong's \$564.9 million budget, with capital projects of \$195.9 million, debt levels of \$180.9 million, new borrowings of \$70 million and employee costs of almost \$200 million.

Council Watch Victoria lists the CEO's salary at Geelong in the range of \$450,000 to \$460,000.

Ms Wastie's Geelong promotion follows her appointment as Chair of the inaugural Board for Alpine Resorts Victoria in August last year by the Minister

for Environment Lily D'Ambrosio.

Mayor Cr Michael Whelan thanked Ms Wastie "for her passion and inspiring leadership", particularly helping lead the region through the challenging pandemic and into a strong recovery.

"Ali's strong leadership has helped transform Bass Coast into a fairer, more dynamic and exciting region and positioned the community for continued strong growth in the future," Cr Whelan said.

But it could be a case of out of paradise and into purgatory for Ms Wastie with Greater Geelong one of the most unsettled municipalities in Victoria. Here's a troubled timeline from the past decade at Geelong:

- September 2014: CEO Stephen Griffin departs.
- April 2015: CEO Gillian Miles resigns.
- December 2015: Commission of Inquiry appointed.
- April 2016: Mayor Darryn 'Dazza' Lyons and council sacked (bullying, governance issues) and administrators appointed.
- October 2017: New council elected.
- November 2017-January 2021: Municipal monitors in place.
- September 2022: CEO Martin Cutter "unexpectedly" departs.
- January 2023: Two municipal monitors appointed (due to concerns by the Chief Municipal Inspector about the CEO recruitment process).
- June 14, 2023: PAEC Committee Member, Bev McArthur MLC queries delay in appointing Geelong CEO.
- Friday, June 23, 2023: Bass Coast CEO Ali Wastie appointed new Geelong CEO.



Few too many for elderly driver

AN 83-year-old female driver returned a breath test reading of 0.118 after crashing into a telephone pole in Wonthaggi on Saturday night.

The North Wonthaggi resident was driving a white Toyota RAV4 in an erratic manner, in a northerly direction along McKenzie Street.

She proceeded to drive across the road and up on to the nature strip for a considerable distance, before colliding with a large telephone pole.

This caused substantial damage to the vehicle she was driving.

It is further alleged that the driver then drove from the area, in the damaged vehicle, continuing to drive in a highly dangerous and erratic manner and heading into oncoming traffic.

The 83 year old then drove to a residential address in North Wonthaggi, where she was located by police and underwent an evidentiary breath test, returning the high result.

The driver has been issued with an immediate suspension of her driver licence and will appear before a local magistrates' court.

Collision at intersection

A CAR driving west on Heslop Road has failed to give way to a car and trailer which was driving on Loch Wonthaggi Road and has collided with the trailer that vehicle was towing.

The incident occurred at the intersection in North Wonthaggi on Friday June 23 at 10.19 am.

There were no injuries to any party. Both drivers exchanged details and the vehicles were towed from the scene.

Police from Wonthaggi Police station attended.

A 25-year-old male from San Remo was issued with a fine for failing to give way.

The man was issued with a fine of \$370 and three demerit points.

Two CFA units from Wonthaggi brigade also attended the washaway as a result of the accident.

Two youths attempt to get into college

POLICE attended the Wonthaggi Secondary College on 4:40 pm on Saturday June 24 following an alarm going off at the school.

Two male youths were found at the school and admitted to kicking a locked door multiple times to try and gain entry.

\$12,000 towed away

A TRAILER full of building materials was stolen from Sonia Crescent in Pioneer Bay last week.

The trailer was left at the construction site by the builder for several days, and it was gone once he returned.

Historic hospital plans return to Wonthaggi

ARCHITECTURAL plans for the first permanent Wonthaggi Hospital dating from 1913 have been returned home after a surprise find at a church sale in regional Victoria.

The meticulous hand-drawn plans were found at the Clunes Presbytery Open Garden Garage Sale by a connection of Wonthaggi historian Sam Gatto. Recognising the plans' significance, Mr Gatto worked with Bass Coast Health CEO Jan Child to buy the framed plans and transport the plans to Wonthaggi Hospital.

The plans were revealed to the public at a morning tea at the hospital on Thursday June 22 and are displayed proudly within the hospital, at Café 1910, near an original part of the building.

Ms Child was impressed by the craftsmanship, and history attached to the plans.

"To see the plans is so special. It really is

an exciting piece," she said. "The Wonthaggi Hospital has always been embedded in this community and to have this piece of history on display for all to appreciate will only strength that bond."

A friend of Sam's son Matteo, Lauren Reece, discovered the plans during the garage sale, held as part of the Clunes Booktown Festival in March this year.

Lauren was aware that Sam had written the history of the Wonthaggi hospital, 'Accepting the Challenge'.

She phoned Matteo to ask him if Sam was interested in the framed plans.

It was Sunday, and she was only there for the day, so time was of the essence.

Matteo rang Sam who was in his car on his way to a concert in Melbourne. Sam in turn rang Ms Child, who immediately agreed to pay the \$350 asking price.

Sam then rang Matteo and he in turn

informed Lauren to buy the plans and then looked after them until she met Matteo.

The painstaking process of safely returning the plans to Wonthaggi was almost complete. The garage sale was held by Dr Kevin Lee, a specialist Physician and Endocrinologist, as well as a Medical Researcher at Monash University.

The plans were drawn in 1913-14 and indicate a proposed price for the hospital of £5866, equivalent of around \$4.5 million in today's money.

Since governments were not in the business of building and financing hospitals at the time, the community had to bear the costs of equipping, furnishing and running the hospital.

The plans – at a scale of eight feet to an inch – include elevation drawings showing the mortuary, administrative block, wards and kitchen block.

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IN BRIEF

Island battery

IT'S A FACT, Bass Coast Shire Council Mayor, Cr Michael Whelan said in his Mayor's Message on June 6 that AusNet's Phillip Island Community Energy Storage System (PICES) would "be recharged using solar, allowing more renewable energy to join our electricity network, while delivering year-round energy security".

But it's not a fact, as exposed by regular council watcher Graham Jolly in a question to council last week. The AusNet owned facility, situated on the council-owned Gap Road property near Cowes, will simply draw-down energy from the existing coal-powered electricity lines.

Cr Whelan confirmed he got it wrong when asked if the battery "will be recharged using solar", simply saying: "No".

Makes you wonder why the shire gave AusNet some land for free for a facility they had a responsibility to provide without a subsidy from the shire's ratepayers.

Does Cowes centre
now cost \$33 million?

OFFICIALLY at least, the cost of the Cowes Cultural and Community Centre is still \$27.2 million.

But at last week's Bass Coast Council meeting, a response from the council seemed to indicate that the overall cost of the project was now closer to \$33 million.

Council watcher Melissa Dagg asked council during question time what internal fixtures, furnishings and landscaping for the project would cost to be fully completed.

"The fixtures, furnishings and landscaping works for the cultural centre all form part of the current contract that was awarded in October 2021," came the response from council.

From the 'Contracts Awarded' spreadsheet on the council's website, a contract for \$31 million was awarded to McCorkell

Constructions on October 20, 2023 for the construction of the new Cowes cultural centre.

But wait, there's more: two contracts to Deconstruction Group P/L \$99,864 (9/9/21) & \$254,081.30 (17/6/20) and one to Jackson Clements Burrows (20/5/20) for design \$1,483,196; a total on the record to date of \$32.84 million.

Charge scheme:
It's a question of when

IT LOOKS as if Bass Coast Council has relaxed its ban on answering questions about the Surf Beach-Sunderland Bay Special Charge Scheme ahead of formally notifying property owners of Councils intention to declare a scheme.

Despite Mayor Cr Michael Whelan banning such questions at the April council meeting, five questions on the subject came forward at last Wednesday's council meeting and received a response.

One queried measures to protect short-tailed shearwaters, another asked if external funding had been sought, whether a copy of the aerial plan would be distributed and whether the hardship policy would apply to people who couldn't afford the cost.

It's likely that a report on cost proportioning for the \$25m to \$32m project will be presented to the July meeting of council, triggering an opportunity for affected property owners to finally express their support or opposition to the scheme.

How is our
parks' plan going?

OF THE 60 playground projects listed in the Bass Coast Shire Council's 'Playspace Strategy 2017 Implementation Plan', how many remain to be completed?

That was the substance of a question from Cape Woolamai resident Deb Leonard at the council meeting last Wednesday with the answer from council revealing on a couple of levels.

First the council didn't say that there are actually 18 'high priority' projects in the 2017 plan to be completed in 1-4 years, plus an additional nine 'shire wide' initiatives that are also high priority when revealing that only 7 playspace renewals have so far been completed, with an additional 7 scheduled for completion by the end of the 2023/24 financial year.

Secondly, there are a further 32 parks projects on the 'medium' and 'low' priority list, also not revealed by council in its public response.

"The Playspace Strategy 2017 Implementation Plan is intended as a guide only. The delivery of projects within the implementation plan is subject to funding opportunities and will vary depending on annual condition audits and renewal demand," said the council.

IT'S that time
of year again!

Building on the success of the previous four summer exhibitions, Phillip Island Contemporary Exhibition Space (PICES) is now preparing for its fifth Pop Up Exhibition.

Four different weekly exhibitions will be held in Cowes from January 3 to January 29, 2024.

The exhibitions will feature a broad spectrum of visual arts that include paintings, drawings, ceramics, collage, original limited edition artist prints, photographs, textiles, installations, and video/film.

Expressions of interest to exhibit will be open from July 1 to July 28, 2023.

Established and emerging contemporary artists are invited to apply.

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Questions asked about
Coronet Bay reserve

CORONET Bay's Fred Gratton

Reserve Master Plan is now set in stone, after council adopted it at last Wednesday's meeting.

But not before local resident Len Van Der Neut took council to task over his claim that the community was only given five days to peruse the final plan before it was voted on by council.

"Don't you think that such an important document should be given at least two weeks to read through it to see if it has covered all the things had asked for, as well as to check if there are items in the Master Plan that we don't want or need?" Mr Van Der Neut asked

Council responded saying significant community engagement was undertaken in late 2022.

"The draft Master Plan was then available for further community feedback over March and April 2023, prior to being presented to the June Council Meeting."

General Manager Place Making James Stirton told council last week that community consultation had resulted in numerous changes being made, including additional picnic and BBQ space, drainage, fitness and multi-sports court space, fountain and shed plus water and solar harvesting opportunities.

Serious crash at San Remo

POLICE responded to reports of a two-car collision in San Remo on Monday, June 26.

It's understood the two vehicles collided head on, on Phillip Island Road about 4.20pm.

One man was flown to hospital with serious injuries and another man and woman were taken to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Police will investigate the circumstances surrounding the crash.

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Why delays for Kilcunda could turn tragic

A START to much-needed pedestrian safety and road improvement works at Kilcunda, for those looking to cross the busy Bass Highway, have been pushed well back into next year.

The main problem with that is the new \$720,000 Skate Park and Playspace, on the opposite side of the highway to the General Store, is nearly completed.

As early as this school holidays, but certainly from early July onwards, kids and families will be crossing the highway, many in excited anticipation of the fun they'll have playing on the new facility.

But, when will it be safe for them to do so?

A spokesperson for the contractors, Grind Projects Pty Ltd, said concreting had been completed and all that remained now was for landscaping works and a shelter to be erected.

"We just need a few clear days with the weather to get on with the landscaping but we're only a week or two away from completing the project," said Steve Kelly, a director of Grind Projects.

Not so the \$7.8 million worth of highway safety and improvement works, which will include new pedestrian refuge areas for those looking to cross the highway to the skate park and rail trail.

In State Parliament on Tuesday, May 30, Bass MP Jordan Crugnale asked the Minister for Roads and Road Safety, Melissa Horne, for a progress report.

"My constituency question is for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety. What is the project status of our \$7.8 million investment on the Bass Highway corridor at Kilcunda, which seeks to add safe pedestrian crossings and a service road?"

"We were all thrilled with the funding announcement this time last year, and it was cause for a big celebratory jump. It was a collective community effort, including the Kilcunda Community Association, active and unwavering in their advocacy.

"The call to do something spanned years. Petitions were presented, letters written, and all were on board," Ms Crugnale said.

"Kilcunda is a destination with breathtaking views, the rail trail and the iconic trestle bridge in its glory. Whales swim by and surfers catch waves. It also is the main access road to Wonthaggi through to Phillip Island. It is a freight route; it connects us to South Gippsland and the city.

"The volume of traffic continues to grow. The entire precinct I have previously described as a 'chaotic

vehicle shemozzle', Minister. I really look forward to this update."

Ms Crugnale received the following answer from Minister Horne on June 19, 2023, but it wasn't good news.

The highway safety and improvement works may not be ready until Christmas 2024, 18 months from now!

"I thank the Member for Bass for her question and her advocacy for the improvements planned for the Bass Highway at Kilcunda. The Andrews Labor Government is investing \$7.8 million to improve safety and accessibility for tourists and locals at Kilcunda.

This project will include:

- Installation of new pedestrian operated signals on the Bass Highway opposite the Kilcunda General store, connecting to the Bass Coast Rail Trail;
- Improved Service Road arrangements with increase in car parking spaces;
- New intersection of Carew Street with Bass Highway, including dedicated left and right turn lanes;
- Dedicated turn lanes into Kilcunda Ridge Road, Peppermint Road, and the Caravan Park entrance;
- New bus stop facilities either side of the Bass Highway;
- New pedestrian refuge on Bass Highway at the existing Rail Trail crossing point;
- Reconstruction and widening of the Bass Highway throughout the town; and
- Upgraded street lighting along the Bass Highway

"The Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) advises that pre-construction activities, including environmental and cultural heritage assessment, have been completed with the detailed design to be finalised in coming months.

"DTP anticipates the contract for these construction works will be advertised later this year, at which time the Kilcunda community, businesses and interested stakeholders will be consulted and updated on the planned works.

"The intention is to commence works after the Christmas holiday period to minimise impacts on the tourist traffic and businesses, with completion of works anticipated by late 2024."

The concern is that the increased number of people, especially children and families, wanting to use the new skate park and playspace, right on the edge of the highway, will only exacerbate an already 'chaotic vehicle shemozzle' at the site, especially on holiday weekends and during the summer holidays.



Works will begin in July to protect the Cape Woolamai Beach Surf Life Saving Club from ongoing sand inundation. Z01_2623

Saving the dunes at Woolamai Beach Surf Life Saving Club

A SIGNIFICANT sand relocation and dune stabilisation operation around the Woolamai Beach Surf Life Saving Club will start in July, in an effort to protect the clubhouse from ongoing sand inundation.

The works will help protect the sensitive coastal environment, stabilise, and revegetate the sand dune system, and improve access to the beach, clubhouse, and public toilets.

Sand from the southern and western sides of the clubhouse will be moved to encourage dune regeneration in the area. Significant planting will then occur to further stabilise the dunes.

Woolamai Beach SLSC President Jason Close said the Club, Life Saving Victoria, the former Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and Phillip Island Nature Parks had long been working on solutions to alleviate the sand inundation issues around the club.

Access around the Woolamai Beach car park may be restricted at times during the works, however signage, barricades and contractors will be on site to guide users of the area. Visitors will still be able to access the beach via the timber ramp from the car park.

"Large machinery will be used to access the beach and dune system to complete the works, which are necessary to maintain the future of the clubhouse, lifesaving services and the surrounding dune environment," Mr Close said.

Phillip Island Nature Parks Projects and Planning Manager Jarvis Weston said the works would not only protect the clubhouse but also enhance the surrounding environment, and the timing of the works would consider seasonal issues and vulnerable fauna in the area.

"We will time the works

around key wildlife dates, weather and seasonal factors to give the revegetation project the best chance of success," Mr Weston said.

"Importantly, the works will be scheduled to avoid any impact on the breeding season of the threatened hooded plover shorebirds, which nest along the high tide line and in sand dunes during spring and summer, making their eggs and chicks particularly susceptible to being stepped on because they are difficult to see.

"Given the magnitude of the works and possible threats to fauna, we encourage the community to stick to the designated tracks and stay out of the sand dunes during this time."

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Mayor's message



Cr Michael Whelan



Council's responsible budget in uncertain times

I don't need to remind anyone about the impact the cost-of-living crisis is having. You can feel it every day.

Bass Coast Shire Council's recent budget for the 2023-24 financial year has been guided by these pressures. It was a responsible budget for uncertain economic times.

There are always many competing demands in budgets, but Council was committed to maintaining current service levels as valued by our community, while maintaining our infrastructure and we have delivered on that critical goal.

At the same time, as one of the state's fastest growing regions, we must also increase spending on capital works to cater for our increasing demands. The budget delivers on this with an extra \$30 million for capital works.

The total expenditure of \$107 million also includes \$16.1 million investment in our extensive road and pathway networks, \$13.4 million for leisure and recreation facilities, \$4 million for climate change actions and \$12.9 million to upgrade community facilities.

Like all household budgets, costs are rising for councils, just as they have in the supermarket and at the petrol pump. We were facing significant supply chain price rises for building and construction materials. Insurance premiums have also increased markedly due to the major flood events of the past year. Waste management services too have been impacted by abnormal cost increases linked to the high inflation rate.

Despite these upward pressures, Council's budget projects a surplus of \$5.2 million.

Council's financial position remains sound with its working capital ratio of 1.80 reinforcing its ability to meet financial commitments as they fall due, borrowings well within the prudential ratios, and a balanced Funding Statement position.

To achieve this strong outcome, council has worked hard to improve the efficiency of our organisation to ensure that service levels are maintained within the State Government cap of 3.5 per cent, which is significantly below inflation.

The Essential Services Commission had recommended a 4 per cent rate cap to partially keep pace with inflation. For most ratepayers this means an increase in rates between \$50 and \$90 this year.

The rate capped environment is putting significant pressures on council services. On top of that, if the government keeps on making budget cuts it is likely to translate into Council being able to do less.

Council votes in 3.85% rate rise

COMMUNITY feedback on the Bass Coast Shire Council's 2023-24 Budget has failed to persuade the council to make anything more than minor changes ahead of adopting the \$106.8 million budget at last Wednesday's council meeting.

A total of 17 submissions were received during the month that the draft budget was on exhibition and prior to approving the budget, the council tabled a response to those submissions.

- Debrorah Milligan urged that the Pioneer Bay Community Facility include public toilets, which council confirmed had been funded as part of Stage 1.
- Heather Mabilia asked for changes to the shire's map identifying where budget money will be spent. Agreed.
- Vicki Lloyd-Smith wanted a project to be funded to cut down on Phillip Island roadkill. Not recommended (council waiting on virtual fencing analysis).
- Stephen and Penelope Lapin wanted to see additional funding for management and action on the "wors-



The shire's 2023-24 budget was adopted at last week's meeting.

ening erosion of the foreshore area between Coghlan's Road and the Nature Park managed area at the eastern end of Silverleaves Avenue". Additional funding not recommended (Funding is allocated in the 2023/24 Budget for active monitoring, sand renourishment and to restore or reintroduce indigenous vegetation).

- Ken Blackman wanted council to fund the Urban Forest Strategy in the 2023-24 budget. Not recommended (aside from its climate change action program and

creating a Significant Tree Register, there is no additional funds for the strategy).

- Brendan Smart, Woolamai Beach, Surf Life Saving Club seeking funding for a storage shed for at Smiths Beach. Agreed (subject to success of a grant application). Meanwhile renewal of toilet block at Smith Beach for \$433,000 is provided for in the 2023/24 Budget.
- Deb Leonard, requesting \$30,000 for Pump Track design at Cape Woolamai. Not recommended.

Prior to the budget being put to the vote, Cr Leticia Laing spoke saying that the commitment to a 'rate cap' policy by the state government was like having "one hand tied behind council's back" in trying to deliver the same level of works and services while council's income was effectively diminishing.

Council voted 7:1 to adopt the budget with Cr Rochelle Halstead absent from the meeting and Cr Les Larke recording his customary vote against the budget, in the past noting his concern about debt levels and council's failure to adopt reasonable cost-saving measures.

As a result of adopting the budget, rates will rise by an average of 3.85% across the board but with homeowners and farmers likely to pay considerably more when rates notices go out in little more than a month from now.

The council will fund its \$106 million program with \$74m from rates and charges, \$9.7m from fees and charges and \$4.6m in new borrowings, the highlight being a \$29.4m program of capital works.

Prices approved for the next five years

SOUTH Gippsland Water welcomes the Essential Services Commission's approval of prices for the next five years.

Managing Director Robert Murphy said a key element of the submission to the Essential Services Commission was an increased customer support program.

"We understand that many in our region are experiencing hardship due to mortgage stress, inflation and cost of living pressures."

"With that in mind, we designed our proposed program over the next five years to increase the support we

can provide to our customers.

"Specifically, we will introduce a new co-payment scheme and extend our current support program to small businesses experiencing payment difficulties.

"We're a not-for-profit, customer and community focused utility. South Gippsland Water is not immune from the struggle with inflation and the rising cost of doing business.

"I would encourage anyone experiencing financial stress to contact our friendly customer service team on 1300 851 636. I can assure you it

is a completely confidential service and we will always do our utmost to help you."

South Gippsland Water is very appreciative of all their customers who helped shape their submission to the Essential Services Commission.

"I would like to commend all of you who gave your time so willingly to help us get the balance between prices and services right and ensure we will continue to deliver for our communities into the future."

South Gippsland Water will invest \$136.3 million on the region's infrastructure

over the next five years.

"The growth of our region is why we need to significantly invest in water and wastewater assets over the next five years. That's why we're increasing our capital works program by about 55 per cent to ensure we can continue to provide you the reliable water and wastewater services you want for the future."

A typical water and sewerage bill for 2023/24 will be \$1265, a 9.6 per cent increase on 2022/23 due to the higher inflation rate.

For more go to our website www.sgwater.com.au

More EV charging: It's fast but it's not cheap

CARPARK works are in progress at the Visitor Information Centre in Newhaven, as the local shire rolls out four new faster charging stations at four locations around the district.

But it doesn't come cheap, as revealed in a question by Kerry Lightfoot to the Bass Coast Shire Council meeting on Wednesday, June 21. The cost of providing four 60kW 3-phase charging stations at four locations across the shire is \$430,000.

"Council is delivering for high-speed electric vehicle charging stations at Newhaven, Inverloch, Wonthaggi and Granville at a total estimated cost of \$430,000," said the shire CEO Ali Wastie in answer to the question.

"Council has allocated \$140,000 and secured grant funding of \$290,000 from the Victorian Government under its Destination Charging Across Victoria (DCAV) program."

Although they have been described as "high-speed",

the 60kW chargers being installed by Bass Coast are mid-range commercial chargers where charging stations of between 25kW to 350kW are now available.

But they will enable visitors to top up their Electric Vehicles (EVs) with enough power, to get them back to Melbourne, or further along on their journey, in around half an hour.

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South Gippsland also secured a grant of \$120,000 under the State Government's DCAV program but together with a grant of \$550,000 from the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Fund, they've put together a \$670,000 program of works to extend 50kW EV charging to six locations at Foster, Korumburra, Leongatha, Meeniyan, Mirboo North, and Yanakie (three stations each).

At its council meeting in April, South Gippsland reported signing a contract on March 29, 2023 for

\$532,359.03, with RACV Solar, to design, supply and install of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations across South Gippsland over a 20-week period.

Work has commenced on

electricity network upgrades at each of the sites and it is expected that all six chargers will be installed and ready to go by the end of August 2023.

Charging will cost 40c/kWh.



EV charger - More electric vehicle charging stations are being rolled out across South Gippsland and Bass Coast but it's not cheap.

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Farmers dismay after Bass amendment approved

BASS Coast Shire councillors were largely in favour of rezoning land at Bass which could see a 50-lot subdivision developed, much to the disappointment of resident farmers.

The shire prepared Amendment C162basc to the Bass Coast Planning Scheme, which was on public exhibition earlier this year, and will now see land rezoned from Farming Zone to Low Density Residential Zone at Bass Road, Bass, with the amendment to be submitted to the Minister for Planning for approval.

The land is located at the south-east of the intersection of Statter Mission Road and Bass Road.

Following public submissions, the shire requested the appointment of a Planning Panel to refer the unresolved submissions to the Independent Panel (through Planning Panels Victoria).

After a two-day public hearing on April 20 and 21, 2023 at the Bass Coast Shire 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 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 sup-



Bass farmers Lorraine Ingbritsen and Katrina Neesham were disappointed to see councillors vote in favour of an amendment to rezone land at Bass which they fear will change the town’s character and see farmland ‘swallowed up’ by housing developments. Ns012623

ply 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.”

Speaking at last week’s council meeting, Cr Clare Le Serve highlighted the decision was only to rezone the land.

“It is within the town’s boundary, and it has been marked for short term, low residential opportunities,” she said.

“The planning process for future subdivisions will enable people to have a look at the designs, the details for the designs, the drainage and land capacity, traffic and lot size.

“It will also cover, at another stage, the flooding and drainage issues that people have raised with us.

“But that’s not what we’re here for today.”

However, for Bass farmers Lorraine Ingbritsen and Katrina Neesham, they were left deeply disappointed by council’s decision and believe their concerns were not seriously considered.

They had also submitted a petition to the council meeting, which had just over 100 signatures, which stated, ‘the town is in danger of losing its prime agricultural land. We do not want to see our farmland swallowed up by low density housing developments as we need to protect it for our future generations to come.’

“They should have come out to Bass and seen all the water (last week),” Lorraine said following the shire’s vote.

“Bass is not like other towns in the shire, it’s a river flat, it has a tidal river running through it.”

They continue to raise concern that the town’s infrastructure will not cope with the proposed subdivision and fear it could set a precedent for other developers.

“Any new homes will be on floodplains with no sewerage beside septic, poor road infrastructure, and persistent flooding issues,” they said.

The farmers highlighted they will now appeal to the Minister for Planning and vowed to fight on.

Before council’s decision, the owner of the land Alan McDonald was pleased to see the change finally proceeding saying, “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.”

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South Gippsland Shire certainly has its share of quirky local laws.

Quirky local laws in South Gippsland

AS South Gippsland Shire Council continues seeking community feedback to guide its creation of an updated General Local Law, it seems an ideal moment to reflect on some of the shire's quirkiest local laws, one of which puts unfortunate wasps in the firing line.

"An owner or occupier of property who is aware that there is a wasps' nest on the property must take steps to cause it to be destroyed or removed," Clause 49 of the shire's current Local Law declares.

There is no specification as to the type of wasp, be it of the pesky and potentially dangerous European variety or a friendly and sociable paper wasp only likely to show aggression when someone is compelled to destroy its nest.

Council's Local Laws team confirmed the law currently applies to all types of wasps.

"We'd love to know if people think this should be changed to apply to just European or non-indigenous wasps," a Local Laws spokesperson said.

Also under the Animals and Livestock section of current Local Law, is a specification of how many of specific types of animals are permitted to be kept without a permit on residential or commercial properties not including farms. While the allowance for two dogs or cats is straightforward, matters become complicated where birds are concerned, with a specification that 50 domestic birds are allowed, but only two large birds.

The current Local Laws define a large bird as "any cockatoo, parrot and other similar sized bird, but does not include poultry, pigeons or domestic birds".

Think again before launching your musical talent or lack thereof upon the general populace, with Clause 41 relating to noise in a public place stating, "A person must not, without a permit, in a public place sound or play a musical or noise instrument".

That extends to a requirement that headphone sound must not be audible to a person other than the wearer when in a public place.

Local Law applying to land use can also be perplexing. "A person must not, without a permit, use any land for the storage of machinery or second-hand goods of any kind or for the assembly or dismantling of such machinery or goods," Clause 13 states.

A member of the Local Laws team addressed this confusing clause.

"This is an interestingly worded clause that may require modification," the spokesperson said.



Alison Stedman was nominated by the Terry White Chemmart in Korumburra for The Pharmacy Guild's 2023 Pharmacy Assistant of the Year.

Alison nominated for Pharmacy Assistant of the Year

ALISON Stedman was nominated by the Terry White Chemmart in Korumburra for The Pharmacy Guild's 2023 Pharmacy Assistant of the Year.

"Alison is one of the hardest workers we know who always goes above and beyond, with a heart of absolute gold! We are all super proud of you Alison, and love you to bits," the staff from the pharmacy wrote.

Alison has been working in pharmacy for the last 20 years and started out helping on the floor.

When a position opened up, Alison moved into dispensing and subsequently undertook a course to become a Dispensary Technician.

Unbeknownst to Alison, the pharmacy nominated her for the award.

"It was an honour to be nominated by the girls, it was a lovely surprise, I certainly wasn't expecting it. It's not only about me, but also about the whole working staff as well. You don't just get their on your own."

Alison was one of 12 finalists from

Victoria to make it through to the round of state workshops and interviews held last week, which then determined the finalist from each state of Australia, to go to the National awards.

"To make it through to the final 12 is really awesome," Alison said.

Alison enjoys the friendships at the pharmacy, the versatility of her work and being able to help people out.

"The people are great, the staff here are really good, it's just different things every day. Being able to help different ones with their medication, to chase up something, get it sorted, fix their packs to make sure that they're right because the doctors have made a change, just sorting things out for them or if they're going away organising their packs so they can take it all away and they don't have to worry, it's all done for them."

Unfortunately, Alison didn't make it through to the National round, but was very pleased with making it into the top 12 for the state.

South Gippsland Shire Council budget set for adoption

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council's 2023/24 - 2026/27 Budget, including 2023/24 Council Plan Annual Major Initiatives, and council's updated 10-year Financial Plan are set to be adopted at this Wednesday's public council meeting.

Mayor Nathan Hersey summed up how this second Budget of the current council term is intended to build on that for 2022/23.

"The 2022/23 Budget was the first of this council term, and prioritised funding a range of strategic planning work, developed in consultation with our community; this Budget is focused on funding delivery of the actions identified by our community, and progressing the outcomes of this important planning work," Cr Hersey stated.

A \$36.832 million capital works program is proposed in the 2023/24 Budget document, with that funded through \$8.140 million in grants and contributions, \$3.150 million in borrowings and \$25.542 million in council cash.

\$11,121,000 of the planned capital expenditure for 2023/24 has been allocated to the road budget, with a little over \$7.5 million assigned for parks, open spaces and streetscapes, and waste management accounting for \$3,907,000 of forecast expenditure.

The capital Budget includes \$6.854 million of carry forward projects from 2022/23.

The environment for capital works delivery is proving difficult due to the scarce workforce and construction resources with significant wait times for both local and imported materials, along with increasingly regular severe weather.

The adjusted underlying Budget result for 2023/24 is shown as a surplus of \$2.478 million.

The Budget and Financial Plan set to be adopted on Wednesday sit within the 3.5 percent average rate increase cap allowed by the Victorian Government.


While acknowledging council appreciates the increase from last year's 1.75 percent average rate rise cap, Cr Hersey noted the rise this year falls short of the current rate of increase of the Consumer Price Index.



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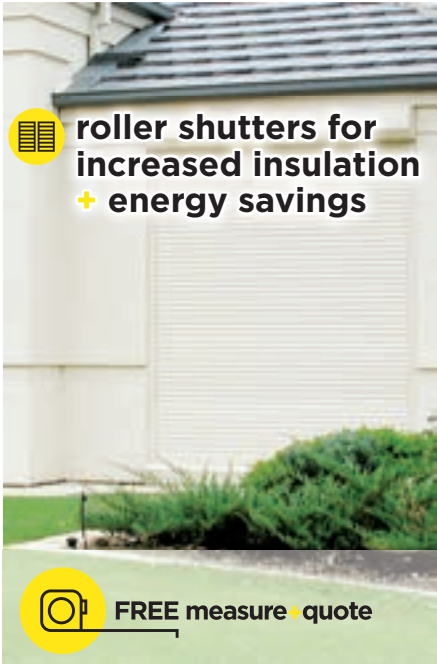
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South Gippsland Shire Council News

Choosing the Right Social Media Platform for Your Group

Getting the message out about what your group does and how others can be a part of it, can often be a daunting task. That is why South Gippsland Shire Council will be hosting a workshop to guide your group through the effective use of social media.

‘Choosing the Right Social Media Platform for Your Group’ will provide tips and tricks on how to use social media to connect with current and potential members, promote events, and raise awareness of your group’s work. The workshop will include valuable information such as:

- How to choose the right social media platform for your group
- How to create a social media strategy
- How to create engaging content
- How to measure the success of your social media efforts

The workshop is a great opportunity to broaden your reach throughout our region. Whether you’re a community association, a hall committee or sporting club, getting the message out about what you do and that others are welcome, should always be part of your plan.

Here are the details:

When: Saturday 22 July 2023

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Where: Meeting Room 1 Council Chambers, Michael Place, Leongatha, VIC, 3952

Free Event – Including light lunch

To reserve a spot, please go to:
www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/social_media_workshop

Council Meeting



The next regular meeting of South Gippsland Shire Council will be held Wednesday 28 June, 2.00pm in the Council Chambers.

Some of the items that will be discussed at the meeting include:

- 2023/24 Annual Budget
- Long term financial plan
- Planning scheme review

The public is welcome to attend the meeting and provide input on any of the items on the agenda. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you can watch it live online:

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesday 28 June 2.00pm
(Council Chambers, Leongatha)

Dates are also listed on Council’s website at:
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Wednesday 28 June 2023 from 5.45pm
(for a 6.00pm start)

2024 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

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

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

To register, please go to:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/social_media_workshop

UPCOMING EVENTS

Luminous Landscapes Exhibition: The Luminous Landscapes exhibition will be taking place at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum 29 May to 14 August 2023.

Featuring artworks from local artist’s Ellen Taylor and Karli Duckett, the exhibition showcases an array of work inspired by the stunning South Gippsland scenery

OUT OF THE CUBE Exhibition: OUT OF THE CUBE will showcasing the artwork of the four initial ArtCube artists, Kim McDonald and Jasmine Susic, Olivia O’Connor, and Anne-Maree Gentile.

The exhibition will take place at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum from 2 July to 14 August 2023.

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Nyora locals listen to Loch's Howard Booth speaking about his town's development of a community plan, a challenge those in Nyora will be undertaking.

Steps continue on Journey to Nyora Community Plan

NYORA'S latest Community Plan meeting drew an impressive turnout of around 70 people despite a chilly Tuesday night, with locals keen to contribute their ideas for the town's future.

South Gippsland Shire councillor and Nyora local Mick Felton was delighted with the enthusiastic response and willingness of people to get involved.

As with previous sessions held to build momentum towards a new Nyora Community Plan, council's community strengthening officer Barbara Look oversaw the evening, providing expert guidance.

However, Mick reiterated his previous message that developing and subsequently managing the plan is a community responsibility, providing the chance for locals to have their say on the town's future and guide council on their aspirations for it.

Written ideas provided by attendees now need to be collated.

Once the information is organised into a meaningful form it will be sent out to those who attended.

In the meantime, they will be emailed the existing Nyora Community Plan that was developed in 2010 and needs replacement.

Mick explained that before the new Community Plan starts to be compiled, a committee will be formed to undertake

that process and oversee the plan's future.

He envisages that committee having around nine members.

The committee is intended to fill the hole left by the disbanding of the Nyora and District Development Association.

Barbara has previously stressed the importance of having a central body representing all the town's groups, saying it would eventually act as a custodian of the new Nyora Community Plan.

Mick anticipates the committee will be formed in approximately four to six weeks' time, perhaps by the end of July, with the next community session set to be an opportunity for people to put up their hands to be a part of the committee.

He expects that, once formed, the committee may need to meet monthly while the Community Plan is developed, then every two to three months to discuss projects within it and make necessary updates.

Tuesday's attendees heard from a couple of speakers who were involved in forming community plans in other South Gippsland Shire towns, with Howard Booth from Loch and Terry Waycott of Korumburra sharing their knowledge and experience.

Howard said using a shire template helped those in Loch to formulate their recently completed Community Plan.

Mayor's Message

Community Grants

From 1 July, the second round of the 2023 Community Grants program will be open for applications.

This is a great opportunity to receive funding from Council for your project, equipment, planning and development reports, and festival or event.

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For tailored advice, I also encourage you to call or email Sophie Bolding, Community Strengthening Officer on 5662 9200 or sophie.bolding@southgippsland.vic.gov.au

General Local Law Review

Thank you to those who attended the pop-ups around South Gippsland. The next step is to collate the information and develop a new Local Law informed by the feedback we received. The updated Local Law will then be available for a further round of community review.

King's Birthday Honours 2023

I would like to extend my personal congratulations to three South Gippsland residents who received a Medal for the Order of Australia (OAM) on 12 June.

Cyril Payne, Gilbert Freeman and Dr. Meredith Freeman were all awarded an OAM. These committed and active locals demonstrate an unwavering commitment to their community and making South Gippsland a better place for us all to live. Thank you!

Canberra Advocacy

Along with the Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Mayor, I headed up to Canberra to attend the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly. We took this opportunity to meet with some of our federal government colleagues.



Cr Nathan Hersey



We spoke with a representative from the Office of the Shadow Minister for Communication regarding mobile and internet blackspots in South Gippsland that desperately need attention, the importance of connectivity for our businesses and in times of emergency and large events. Being connected is extremely important and it needs to be front-of-mind that these blackspots get fixed.

It was a productive meeting with the Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, Senator the Honourable Bridget McKenzie MP, about roads and the future use of the Barry Beach port. The South Gippsland Shire Council are concerned about the diminished road funding and the problems this is causing for our region, particularly as roads are being used more for freight. This will only continue to increase as the offshore wind development progresses. We cannot be forgotten when funding for road betterment and improvement becomes available.

June Council Meeting

Wednesday 28 June will be our last meeting for this financial year, and as such we will be considering the Draft 2023/24 Budget, Council Plan initiatives and Long-Term Financial Plan. Starting at 2.00pm, you can come along to the Council Chambers in Leongatha or watch whenever you like by visiting: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live



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Pictured are the proposed housing developments in Wonthaggi North along Henry Street West, Henry Street East and Ivor Street.

Another step ticked off for affordable housing

BASS Coast Shire councillors have voted in favour to discontinue two road reserves in Cowes and Wonthaggi for the provision of social and affordable housing.

The road reserves are located between Roydon Road and Wyndham Avenue, Cowes, and Ivor Street and Back Lane Henry Street, North Wonthaggi.

In November 2021, council identified the roads could be discontinued for Community Housing Victoria Limited (CHVL) to explore social housing developments.

CHVL eventually progressed with the sites at Cowes and Wonthaggi.

According to CHVL, once the shire had undertaken the road closure process and if the proposed development receives planning approval, CHVL will enter into a 30-year ground lease with the shire and be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the development for the duration of the lease.

At last week's council meeting, shire documents revealed there were five submissions highlighting concerns for the Cowes site and two for Wonthaggi.

Concerns included loss of parkland / open space; including loss of vegetation; loss

of natural, bushy feel, adverse impact to wildlife, inadequate allowance for parking, concern with social and affordable housing development including administration and perceived impact on property values.

However, the shire's response was largely 'this is outside the scope of a road discontinuance consideration.'

Speaking at the shire meeting, Cr Ron Bauer expressed his disappointment at the shire's responses to the objections.

"This is not acceptable in my mind and is disingenuous to the community," he said.

Cr Bauer said while there is a strong need for more affordable housing, he also appreciated the community's view of 'not in my backyard'.

"Housing must be used for staff at the new community hospital and Wonthaggi (hospital) and for staff on Phillip Island and not emergency accommodation," he said.

"To my ward objectors, you are the lucky ones, you have a house, let's open up the opportunity for others to live here."

The CEO (or delegate) is now authorised to undertake the administrative procedures necessary to complete the road discontinuance.

Safety improvements along Bass Highway

REGIONAL Roads Victoria is installing Side Road Activated Speed (SRAS) technology at the intersection of the Bass Highway and Leongatha South-Outtrim Road and Rougheads Road.

Works are anticipated to be completed in September 2023.

If you're travelling through the area, please keep an eye out for changed traffic conditions, including reduced roadwork speed limits through the worksite.

Crews will be on site from 7am through to 6pm Monday to Friday throughout the duration of the works. Lane closures will be in place from time to time and whilst minimal disruption is expected for commuters, please allow extra travel time.

Regional Roads Victoria received \$500,000 from the Victorian Government in 2017 to identify existing issues and future problems along the Bass Highway between Anderson and Leongatha.

This intersection was identified by the community as a priority location for safety and accessibility improvements.

These Side Road Activated Speed signs will be triggered on the Bass Highway when a vehicle on Leongatha-South Outtrim Road or Rougheads Road, approaches the highway. This will temporarily reduce the speed limit on the Bass Highway to 70km/h and alert drivers on the highway to vehicles approaching from the side roads.

Drivers travelling along the Bass Highway will therefore slow down to 70km/h, giving drivers on the side roads more time to assess gaps in traffic and enter the highway safely, allowing more time to react if side road traffic fails to give way.

The reduced speed limit will stay activated until there are no more vehicles waiting to enter or cross the Bass Highway.

The signs will also be activated when vehicles on the Bass Highway are slowing and waiting to turn right into Leongatha-South Outtrim Road or Rougheads Road. The signs will alert drivers to turning vehicles ahead of them.



Diabetes Education clients Anthony Mardling and Lisa Hevern with Bass Coast Health Diabetes Educators Vivienne Prestidge and Claire Gatto during a group education session.

Diabetes education service transforms lives

BASS Coast Health (BCH's) Diabetes Education service offers support for a range of diabetes and pre-diabetes related conditions. These include:

- Management of type 1, type 2, gestational diabetes and pre-diabetes
- Lifestyle changes
- Blood glucose monitoring and interpretation of blood glucose levels in relation to food, physical activity and medication
- Management of unstable blood glucose levels
- Changes in medications and/or beginning insulin or other injectable diabetes medications
- Use of new glucose monitoring technologies
- Prevention and management of diabetes complications

- Travel advice.

The Diabetes Education service provides education and support for adults and children with diabetes. The aim is to assist clients to self-manage their diabetes by providing support, knowledge, skills and motivation. Our team comprises ADEA (Australian Diabetes Educators Association) credentialled diabetes educators who have a nationally recognised qualification, enabling them to provide quality-assured diabetes care, education and self-management support. The service accepts referrals from general practitioners and other health care professionals. Self-referrals are also accepted. The service involves a small fee. This will be discussed with you when the referral coordinator contacts you by phone to obtain

your details to admit you to the service. The service is available at:

- Wonthaggi Hospital from Monday to Friday (alternate Wednesdays) from 9am to 5pm. Phone 5671 3290.
- Phillip Island Health Hub, Monday to Thursday and alternate Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9am to 5pm. Phone 5951 2100.

BCH provides this service 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 this service for people aged over 65. To make an appointment, contact BCH's Access team: Access@basscoasthealth.org.au or phone 5671 3175.

LIFE Moments



ELOISE Bertuleit was born at Wonthaggi Hospital on June 17, 2023, weighing 3.15kg. Eloise is the first child for Caitlyn Griffiths and Ryan Bertuleit of Cape Paterson.

Rally for change

ALMOST 40 locals rallied and marched through Wonthaggi on Tuesday, June 20, calling for the banks to stop funding fossil fuels. The rally was led by students from Newhaven College, Bass Coast College and the Village School. Joseph Thompson, Newhaven College student, said "The big four banks cannot continue allowing the expansion of the destructive fossil fuel industry." National campaign "Move Beyond Coal" is calling for NAB to stop any loans to Whitehaven Coal. Indigo Aurora, a student at Newhaven College, said "It's so uplifting to fight for such a crucial movement with so many passionate people from all walks of life. People have been fighting for the climate for decades, and we're not going to stop now." The march continued around the streets of Wonthaggi, to ANZ and Westpac banks, with songs and chants echoing through the wintry streets.



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. We can help you with tasks around the home and caring for yourself, and offer medical assistance, social activities and transport.

Our services include:

- Community Nursing (District Nursing, Diabetes Education, Continence, Cardio/Pulmonary, Stomal Therapy, Integrated Chronic Disease Management and Wound Care)
- Allied Health services (Physiotherapy, Podiatry, Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Social Work, Speech Pathology and Counselling)
- Integrated Chronic Disease Management
- Meals on Wheels
- Social Support Groups
- Transport to medical appointments.

How we can help you:

- 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
- To access District Nursing, contact: 5671 9219, fax 5678 5183, district.nursing@basscoasthealth.org.au

Alternatively, phone **5671 3333** and ask for the service or the Access team. For more information, go to: basscoasthealth.org.au/HACC



Council backs community projects

BASS Coast Shire Council endorsed its Community Grants Program Policy 2023 at the June meeting.

The shire claims the changes made to the document will enhance the program by offering a flexible approach to funding allocation.

Two key changes were recommended in the policy.

It was recommended council distribute the combined community grant budget of \$294,000 between the community grant stream and the Bass Coast Climate Action stream as required.

The funding for Quick Response Grants will also increase from \$1000 to \$2000 per application.

The Quick Response Grant applications are open once a month from June until May, while community grants are offered twice a year under the community grants program.

For each category, the funding threshold is \$2001-\$5000.

Three major projects from all categories except equipment can receive up to \$10,000, and one major project in the climate action category is selected per round.

The objective of the grants program is to support and contribute to a vibrant and evolving community.

Successful funding allocations allow community groups to deliver initiatives that serve the needs of Bass Coast.

Cr David Rooks was pleased to endorse the policy.

“We know this is a popular program within the community and I really like it because it’s also community led in the sense that the community groups decide what they want to apply for, when they want to apply and how much,” he said.

“I like the fact that, as a council, we have responded to that. We responded to it recently when we introduced the Quick Response Grants and we’re responding to it again with these two changes.”

Councillors to make call on Second Estate

SOUTH Gippsland Shire councillors will vote on whether to approve a Venus Bay development at 79 Atherton Drive in the town’s Second Estate, with council officers advising them to do so.

The application seeks approval to develop the land with a double storey dwelling on the corner of Atherton Drive and the access road to Number 5 Beach, replacing a recently demolished building on what is now vacant land.

The matter comes before council to determine due to the receipt of 13 submissions in relation to the original development proposal.

Multiple homeowners get no shire support

THE owners of a holiday house in Bass Coast, who also have their “principal place of residence” in Melbourne or somewhere else will never get access to the shire’s Financial Hardship provisions.

That was the response to a question from Rob Chandler at last Wednesday’s council meeting.

“Why are those ratepayers discriminated against and what alternative means of support does Council provide?” he asked.

“Council’s Financial Hardship Policy is designed to provide targeted support to ratepayers who are experiencing financial hardship and are unable to meet their day-to-day financial commitments. Owners of multiple properties have more financial options to meet their commitments,” said the council.



Karli Duckett, Bec Matthews, Ian Whitehead, Dr. Sue Plowright, Sarah Westwood, Justice Michelle Gordon and Karin Ruff came together at the closing party of the Celebrate her! project. ob33_2623

Celebrate her! raises vital funds for local community house

THE CELEBRATE Her! project held a closing party following a successful 12-month long project profiling 23 extraordinary South Gippsland women.

The celebration was held at the Stockyard Gallery in Foster with an exhibition featuring photographs from the project and the artwork of Sue Gilford and Kerry Spokes.

A surprise final donation amount totaling \$20,000, was made to Bec Matthews from Manna Gum Community House.

The funds will be directed into their outreach program, ‘The Hub,’ helping women and children from the Corner Inlet region.

\$10,000 of the donation was generated from the Celebrate her! books,

500 of which were sold via donation and \$10,000 was donated by La Trobe Health Services.

Celebrate her! Stories of South Gippsland Women 2022, was launched at a chamber music concert on March 13, 2022, presented by Prom Recitals.

The project was the brainchild of Michelle Gordon who, on International Women’s Day, reflected on the wonderful contributions of South Gippsland women, and decided they should be found and acknowledged.

The 12-month documentary project aimed to shine a light on some of the extraordinary women who live among us.

The people of South Gippsland were asked to nominate a woman they wanted

to see celebrated.

Susan Westwood and Karin Ruff interviewed the women, wrote the profiles and organised and administered the project.

One of the results was a beautiful book filled with photographs and stories of 23 remarkable women in South Gippsland.

The project also saw the formation or reformation of long-lasting connections between women nominated and those working on the project.

The project was led by women for women, with many volunteering their time and talents including Karli Duckett who took all the photographs and significant contributions were made by Anne Miller, Robyn Park, and Farrah Plummer.

Sam’s op shop to help locals with cancer

SAM Clarke is hoping to change lives and offer financial support for locals battling cancer by opening an op shop in Korumburra.

Sam has been inspired to do this from seeing her sister’s battle with stage four colon cancer and witnessing the expenses add up as she underwent chemotherapy, radiation therapy and natural therapies.

“I started thinking along the lines of what could I do, to help, because I know it costs a lot of money for different things.

“I thought, what can I do for our community? How can I come up with something that could possibly help our own community?”

Sam has previously worked with a large organisation running an op shop and has experience on her side.

She enjoyed the satisfaction of being able to contribute to people and make their lives a little easier, and decided this was the way she could uniquely help the Korumburra community.

“I just got the idea and thought, right, I’ll just say, if it all falls into place, it’s meant to be.”

With the help of local real estate agent George Auddino, Sam secured a premises at Mine Road, Korumburra next to the primary school and the old corner post office.

Sam had been working long days and late into the night preparing the shop for its opening last Friday.

“I’ve got clothes and accessories, like handbags, shoes, jewellery, hats, all that sort of stuff, and then in the other building, I’ve got bric-a-brac, books, CDs, DVDs and furniture.”

Family, friends and people from the community have been sorting through their things and donating items to the not-for-profit venture.

“I’ve been getting lots of really lovely donations from local people. That’s fantastic.

It’s been amazing. It really has that. We’ve got the best community, seriously.”

While there will be lots of treasures to find and bargains to buy, Sam has also created a sanctuary where people can also just go for a cuppa and a chat.

“I’ve got a little room that I’ve made up as a ‘chillax’ room. I don’t know if anybody from the local community is lonely or they need someone to talk to or just (need) a hangout room where they can come and get a cuppa, but they don’t have to shop.

“They can come and just get a cuppa or a bit of cake and sit in there and just chill.”

Sam looks forward to being able to help locals in the community affected by cancer and once the ball gets rolling, people will be able to apply for funds.

“Whether it be they need their lawns mowed for six months, or they need a house cleaner, or they need a holiday or they need groceries or whatever it is, just real local community.”

“I think a lot of people have been touched by cancer in one way or another and the reason I’m doing it this way is because I want to make sure it actually goes to our people”.

Sam is adamant about being transparent around what the money raised will be used for, where funds will be allocated and what for.

“I’d like to eventually help other people as well. I’m just concentrating on the cancer side of things at the moment. But I would like to be able to spread it out to other people that have got illnesses as well.”

Fortunately, Sam has had lots of help from family and friends and other people in the community willing to volunteer and help out, however volunteers and donations are always welcome, and Sam is hoping to succeed and grow for the benefit of the community.



Sam Clarke is hoping to change lives and offer financial support for locals battling cancer by opening an op shop in Korumburra.



Sam invites everyone to pop in for a look, shop, a chat or to have a free tea or coffee in the chillax room.



Gippsland Southern Health Service is inviting local residents to join its new Community Advisory Committee.

Have your say on your health service

DO you want to have a say in how your local health service operates? Gippsland Southern Health Service (GSHS) is inviting local residents to join its new Community Advisory Committee (CAC). Being part of the CAC will give residents an opportunity to have direct input into the health service. GSHS will hold morning and afternoon teas on July 6 for interested community members to find out more about the role; from 10am at the Sweet Life Café, 1 Bair St, Leongatha and 2pm at The Borough Dept. Store, 63-67 Commercial St, Korumburra. CEO Lou Sparkes said the committee would bring a consumer and community voice to the Board and help with decision making around planning and services. "This is a new committee that will work with the Board to make sure we're hearing what the community wants," Ms Sparkes said. The role of the CAC is to provide consumer, carer and community

perspectives and views to assist GSHS in planning and implementing safety, quality, and service improvements. GSHS will engage the assistance of the CAC to increase consumer, carer, and community participation across the health service. Membership of the CAC will reflect consumers and communities, not health care providers. GSHS previously had a Community Engagement Committee, but this is the first time it has had a community-based committee as part of the Board. The committee will include Board members and nine community representatives and will meet 4-6 times each year. Its minutes and activities will be reported directly to the Board. "This committee is about Gippsland Southern Health Service connecting with our community and our community having a strong voice within our organisation," Ms Sparkes said.

"We want to work together in partnership to make sure our health service is the best it can be and meets the needs of the local community. "One of the important parts of our strategic plan is how we partner with our community and how the community informs our decisions," Ms Sparkes added. GSHS aims to have equal representation from the Korumburra and Leongatha communities. "We want anybody who has an interest in the health service and how we provide care for our community," Ms Sparkes added. "People don't need any particular qualifications, just an interest in their community and their health service." People interested in joining the committee can attend information sessions on July 6 at Leongatha at 10am and Korumburra at 2pm, contact GSHS on 56 5667 5504 Those selected to the committee will receive training and orientation.

School holiday events at Myli

MY COMMUNITY Library is thrilled to announce a series of engaging events designed to captivate the minds and imaginations of community members of all ages during the school holidays! The library has something in store for everyone, from creative workshops to thrilling encounters with prehistoric creatures. Let's take a look at just a few of the exciting events on offer. Real Dinosaurs will visit Inverloch and Wonthaggi libraries on Tuesday, June 27! Prepare to be amazed as Toby T-Rex roams the library with his puppeteer handler, providing an unforgettable experience for dinosaur enthusiasts of all ages! You can also have a dino-tastic time creating some awesome paper dinosaurs at Wonthaggi Library on Wednesday, July 5. As part of the Island Whale Festival – Phillip Island, the Myli team will present Stories and Craft on Friday, June 30 at 10am at St John's Uniting Church. Families are invited to celebrate these majestic creatures, engaging in storytelling sessions and craft activities centered around the beauty of whales.

The Whale Festival fun continues at San Remo Library on Saturday, July 1 with an Ocean Lovers Family Yoga Session. Embark on a journey of relaxation and mindfulness and connect with the ocean's calming spirit through movement and play. Join us at Poowong Library on Thursday 29 June for an opportunity to craft your very own keepsake figurine using air dry clay. All necessary materials will be provided, so bring your imagination and creative flair. Additionally, on Wednesday, July 5, the Poowong team will host an Art Collage workshop so you can create your own work of art using our discarded books and magazines. School holiday events at Myli in Bass Coast and South Gippsland offer a fantastic opportunity to engage with the local community while experiencing the joy of learning and creativity. Whether you're fascinated by dinosaurs, eager to unleash your creative potential, or simply seeking new and exciting experiences, Myli - My Community Library has something for everyone. Registrations are now open. To book your event or learn more, visit myli.org.au or call 1800 44 6954

Join us
Gippsland Southern Health Service is looking for a diverse range of enthusiastic members of our local community to join our Community Advisory Committee. The Committee meets once every two months for up to two hours and provides the Health Service Management with great information about what is important to the South Gippsland Communities, especially Leongatha and Korumburra.



Scan to apply



Gippsland Southern Health Service

Community Advisory Committee

We are building a healthier community in South Gippsland, together.

Find out more
Information sessions:
Leongatha:
Sweet Life Cafe
1 Bair Street.
Thursday, July 6 from 10am

Korumburra:
The Borough Dept Store
63-67 Commercial Street,
Thursday, July 6 from 2pm
or reach out to our GSHS executive assistant Dallas Surace on (03) 5667 5504 or email Dallas.Surace@gshs.com.au

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Reusing waste and driving renewable energy

STATE Government funding will help boost Victoria's bioenergy capacity with 24 projects, including two locally, across the state receiving funding to create renewable energy from organic waste that would otherwise end up in landfill.

More than \$8 million has been provided through the Waste to Energy – Bioenergy Fund which is supporting farming and food production, and other industry sectors to turn organic waste – including agricultural, livestock, food and wood waste – into electricity, heat, gas, or liquid fuel.

The funding will support a broad range of Victorian businesses to transition their operations to renewable energy and drive down their emissions.

Member for Bass, Jordan Crugnale MP announced two successful recipients locally which include:

- \$43,500 for Energy 360 Pty Ltd in Lang Lang who will work with a dairy farm in Gippsland to conduct a feasibility study and business case for a waste to energy project using Anaerobic Digestion technology.
- \$212, 500 for Westernport Water Corporation to undertake a feasibility study on the viability for a waste-to-energy cogeneration facility at their Wastewater Treatment Plant in Cowes. The 24 projects are forecast to boost Victoria's renewable energy capacity by an additional 6.82 megawatts (MW), enough to power 3410 homes with renewable energy.

Another project will see major dairy business Australian Consolidated Milk convert cheese whey waste into biogas that will be used to power its dairy manufacturing plant, reducing reliance on fossil fuels.

For more information see sustainability.vic.gov.au/grants-funding-and-investment/funded-grants/waste-to-energy-fund-bioenergy-funded-projects

Councillors likely to advance cause of safe Sandy Point pathway

SANDY Point Community Group's (SPCG) call for the construction of a pathway along Sandy Point Road between Telopea Drive and Ennisvale Avenue appears set to advance at Wednesday's council meeting.

There, councillors will vote on a recommendation to consider the proposed path by using council's Paths and Trails Strategy assessment matrix, with a view to capital funding allocations for the project in future years.

Council's June meeting agenda outlines the relevance of SPCG's request to boost local safety.

"The development of Sandy Point has resulted in little or no planning for walking paths compared to larger more urbanised townships; modern infrastructure requirements and community expectations now require council to consider shared pathways and connections for traffic other than cars," the agenda states.

It is also noted that a feasibility study for future pedestrian and bike paths in Venus Bay and Sandy Point will be presented to council when a community survey has concluded.

While the need for improved safety in Sandy Point is acknowledged, challenges in creating the desired shared path are outlined.

"The key constraints to planning pathways in Sandy Point are the lack of available road and shoulder width, land acquisition, traffic safety, vegetation management, flood propensity and cultural heritage considerations," the agenda states.

Council officers have estimated the preliminary cost of a 4.8 kilometre sealed or concrete pathway along Sandy Point Road at \$2 million for a 1.5 metre wide pathway and \$2.5 million for a 2.5 metre wide pathway.

Twenty three survey responses were received with most in support of the need for a shared path, including runners, walkers, and horse and bike riders.

Kara's family history comes to life

AFTER almost a decade's work researching and writing, 'Becoming Australian' was published in February 2023 by Kara McDonald Davis.

A comprehensive account of the lives of her ancestors Sophia and James Davis, it was based on documents and letters which had been recently discovered in an old battered suitcase stored in the family property's barn at Jack River near Yarram in South Gippsland.

The story is set against the backdrop of Dublin's Italian Opera in the early nineteenth century and follows the family's journey to Van Diemen's Land in 1831, where they helped establish elaborate musical concerts and a piano importation business.

Following bankruptcy amid the economic chaos of the 1840's the Davises were part of the pioneer settlement of Gippsland.

As part of her extensive research, the author first transcribed the letters and documents then sought to identify the writers and people involved.

A trip to Dublin in order to pour over undigitized Irish country newspapers in the National Library of Ireland laid the background to the

first part of the book which is set in Ireland. Sligo County's early newspapers held vital clues to understanding the background to the documents which had survived and been kept by the family.

They also filled in the mind-set and events of the early nineteenth century world which had formed the canvas for the events written about. Little was known previously of the exclusive scene of the Italian Opera in Ireland and its key players at this time.

In Part Two, the author retells the story of early Hobart Town's musical world along with some of its outstanding identities using digitised newspapers on the website Trove along with other primary sources. The account presents a window into the world of educated and cultured Irish people who were early emigrants to Van Diemen's Land during the time it was a penal colony.

The family's early pioneering history as squatters on the southern frontier of the Port Phillip colony comprises the final section of the book.

Based on letters sent both ways across Bass Strait from the newly established frontier outpost Port Albert and Van Diemen's Land, it tells of people and events set against

the backdrop of the maritime cattle trade market carried out between the two locations.

As a publication based on primary sources, 'Becoming Australian' presents an original version of an aspect of Dublin's musical world which has been little written about, along with a fascinating family story reaching into Hobart's early musical scene and pioneering Port Albert region. It has wider implications towards understanding the fabric of early European settlement in Australia and the contributions made in the fields of music, horticulture and agriculture.

Most of all it's a compelling kind of personal history that is related with attention to truth and historical detail.

About the author

Kara was raised in Yarram, the daughter of local grazier Neville Davis and Eril Davis, a Gippsland teacher and later Librarian at Yarram High School. She attended Yarram Kindergarten, Yarram Primary School and then Yarram High School before transitioning to MLC as a boarder for the last couple of years of her schooling. During this time, along with her siblings she was very involved in local

sporting clubs; Yarram Athletics Club and Yarram Pony Club, competing at State level. She also was a member of the Yarram Tennis Club.

After graduating Kara obtained a cadetship with Yarram Standard News and Leongatha Star working for the Giles family covering local news events. After being graded, she left journalism to pursue a degree in English Literature at Monash University.



Kara Davis has released an incredible account of her family's history titled 'Becoming Australian'.

Former MP and Bass Coast councillor passes away

A FORMER Member of the Victorian Parliament and a Bass Coast Shire Councillor, Ross Smith of Inverloch, has died aged 85, on Thursday, June 22.

Born in Southport, Queensland, on January 24, 1938, to Allen and Leila Smith, he attended the Fort Street Boys' High School and Balmain Teachers' College, both in Sydney, before working as a brief time as a teacher at the Tarcutta Primary School and Albury

High School.

After working for the Immigration Department at Australia House in London in 1960, he became a journalist in 1961, writing for the Daily Telegraph and the Sydney Sun.

In 1964 he enlisted in the army and served two tours of duty in Vietnam, rising to the rank of lieutenant colonel across a 20-year career in the service. Also in 1964, he joined the Liberal Party and was elected as

the Member for Glen Waverley in 1985, serving until 2002, being appointed Government Whip in 1996 and Opposition Whip in 1999, serving for part of that time with another Inverloch resident Alan Brown.

He was a councillor at the City of Monash (2003-2005) and after moving to live locally, a Bass Coast Shire Councillor from 2005 to 2012.

Previously married to Patricia Moxham, with whom

he had three children; Alexina, Jann and Sarah, Mr Smith is survived by his second wife, Sarah Spencer (mother of Richard and James), with whom he had a daughter Harriet in 1991.

In recent times, Mr Smith has been in and out of care in Melbourne, and lately at Banfields on Phillip Island.

A funeral service for Ross Smith will be held at the Anglican Church in Inverloch on Thursday, June 29 at 2pm.

Ken Jacobson's milestone birthday

KEN Jacobson who was born and who has lived in Wonthaggi all his life celebrated his 100th birthday with family at the Inverloch Coast Care on June 18, 2023.

He is the last of five siblings and has enjoyed good health up until three years ago. Ken spent three years in New Guinea during World War 2. He returned home to marry the love of his life, Jean, and having two children, Judith, and Robert.

As a young man he played football for Inverloch, boasting that he was a part of their first premiership.

He worked in the Grocery trade all his life and had great passion for the bush and the ocean where he was a skilled hunter and fisherman.

He loved his flower and vegetable garden, always providing his family with an abundance of produce.

He is an adored Grandfather of three and a great grandfather of eight.





Koringal Women's Service Club members Margaret Freestone, Bev Hall and Sue Van Sinderen, with Korumburra heated pool stalwarts Maureen Trewin and Noelene Cosson and Koringal women Renate Dennemoser and Joanne Cash (president). A06_2623



Maureen Trewin, treasurer of Korumburra Amateur Swimming and Life Saving Club, and Joanne Cash, president of Koringal Women's Service Club, with the new automatic chemical dosing system at Korumburra heated pool. A07_2623

Koringal women make pool project possible

KORINGAL Women's Service Club added to the many local projects it has assisted in Korumburra and surrounds with its recent contribution of \$5,000 towards the installation of an automatic pool chemical dosing system at the town's indoor heated pool.

Treasurer of Korumburra Amateur Swimming and Life Saving Club, Maureen Trewin is most appreciative of the ladies' generosity, now needing to manually test the pool's PH and chlorine levels just once a day, down from four times per day.

"I can actually leave town without having to look at the clock," Maureen declared.

She can't recall when she started testing the pool water, beginning the role when shire workers performed the task, taking responsibility when they were on holidays.

In more recent times, Mau-

reen shared pool testing duties but has been tackling the task alone for about a year after her fellow tester relocated.

She now monitors the pool's PH and chlorine levels on her phone, with the one manual test per day ensuring the automatic measuring and dosing system is performing accurately.

Maureen now pops in prior to the pool's first booking each morning, removes its cover and tests the water.

After decades of testing the pool, she would love to share the work in future.

"We're trying to get some backup workers to spread the load a bit and have somebody else with that knowledge," Maureen said.

Those keen to help are encouraged to call the pool's treasurer Noelene Cosson on 0438 551 605, even if they are only available for one or

two days per week.

The overall cost of the pool dosing system was \$21,500, with the Korumburra Amateur Swimming & Life Saving Club committee funding the balance, that income being raised through memberships, pool hire, and a small maintenance grant from council.

Koringal Women's Service Club has been on the scene since 1975, deriving its name from 'Gal in Korumburra', with all proceeds it generates helping local community.

Much of its funds are raised through catering at funerals, as well as at council-run and other local events.

Koringal is responsible for the availability of defibrillators locally, also contributing financially to the area's schools and kindergartens and preparing food for Milpara Community House's Foodbank program.



South Gippsland Shire Brass Band plays an important role in local community, being a part of many events and offers a welcoming environment for anyone keen to play a brass instrument from the total beginner to professional musicians. A01_2623

Brass band call to arms

WHILE South Gippsland Shire Brass Band has built its numbers since the pandemic, they haven't bounced back to pre-COVID levels, with interested community members encouraged to join regardless of their level of experience, including those who have never played an instrument.

The band's vice president Nigel Hutchinson-Brooks said it numbered about 20 active members before COVID, dipping to around half that and now has 14 or 15 active members.

Nigel said bands across Australia continue to experience the ramifications of the pandemic, with two A grade Melbourne bands recently having to amalgamate due to lack of numbers.

South Gippsland Shire Brass Band has an even mix of male and female performers and a wide range of ages from 14 through to 85.

For those nervous about starting out playing a brass instrument, there are already three people learning to play with the band.

Nigel said beginners quickly become part of the group and are not left on the periphery.

"We get them up to a level where

they can play some of the simple pieces with the band as soon as possible, because the sooner you get playing with other people the quicker you learn," he said.

"We provide free tuition and free instruments for those people," Nigel said of those starting out on their brass instrument journey.

As well as participant numbers, the pandemic has also had a negative financial impact on South Gippsland Shire Brass Band due to the lack of opportunity to perform.

The band receives payment for some of its gigs, helping fund expenses such as the purchase and maintenance of instruments and the cost of music and uniforms.

South Gippsland Shire Brass Band rehearses on Wednesday nights from 7.30pm until 9pm at the Leongatha Courthouse.

Anyone keen to join or wanting to know more about being part of the band is encouraged to attend rehearsal or call Nigel on 0419 355 303 or Darryl Hunt on 0407 444 210.

South Gippsland Shire Brass Band next performs at a citizenship ceremony at Leongatha Memorial Hall on Wednesday June 28.

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Wonthaggi community celebrates refugees

INTERNATIONAL Refugee Week in Bass Coast is always busy with activities focusing on new, existing and former refugees and the rich diversity they bring to the community.

Many hardy souls braved the wintry weather last week, to attend the showing of the film humanKIND, which follows the work of the Bass Coast Refugee Sponsorship Group in preparing for, welcoming and settling Wonthaggi's newest refugee family, Lukman, Khadija and their four children. Bass Coast's 2023 Community Leader, Catherine Watson introduced the film, relating a story filled with admiration for the efforts of the group as they organized accommodation, banking, education for the children, medical appointments, English language classes for the parents and many other tasks.

The film was commissioned by the Federal Government to encourage members of communities across Australia to form Community Support Groups and participate in this new approach to refugee settlement: Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot (CRISP to its friends), in which everyday Australians are providing settlement support to refugees arriving to a new life in Australia. Bass Coast's own group was one of the earliest to put their collective hands up. Members of the group are adamant that anyone can do this work and are happy to provide advice to others on how to form a group of their own.

If you missed it, you can contact the Bass Coast Group for future opportunities to view the film at bcmsg2021@gmail.com

Fines of \$200K for employing children without permit

NEW laws regarding protections for children working in cafes, shops and other businesses will come into effect on July 1.

A child employment licensing system will replace the existing permit system and enable a business to employ multiple children under one licence, rather than having to apply for a permit for each child they employ.

The new licensing system includes a "fit and proper person" test which considers, among other things, an employer's compliance with child employment and other relevant workplace laws.

Victoria's child employment watchdog, Wage Inspectorate Victoria, will be given new powers including the ability to issue compliance and infringement notices to businesses that have done the wrong thing but may not meet the criteria for prosecution.

The maximum penalty for employing a child without a permit or licence will increase from \$18,500 to more than \$200,000.

In Victoria, employers require a permit to employ anyone under 15, but children can do delivery work from 11 and work in other roles from 13, including in retail and hospitality.

Research commissioned by the Wage Inspectorate shows that one in three Victorians mistakenly believe 14 and nine months is the age children can start working without restriction in Victoria – this used to be the age when children could leave school and enter the workforce, which is where the misapprehension has come from.

More information about child employment and the upcoming changes can be found at wageinspectorate.vic.gov.au.

Nina shares heartache of Russia's invasion

NINA Kane emigrated to Australia in 2018 from Russia with her daughter after she found love with a South Gippsland man eventually residing in the area.

Nina grew up in the town of Bakhmut, in the Eastern region of Donbas, before moving to Russia to study and work during a time when Ukraine and Russia were the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR).

She has fond memories of growing up in Bakhmut.

"... of course, it was beautiful. The town Bakhmut where I grew up, it was always called the town of roses because all (the) squares everywhere was (full of) roses, roses, roses."

A friend from Nina's Ukrainian support group sent her photos and videos of her hometown, devastated by the war and where her family had lived.

"Our town Bakhmut, where they lived, and where I was growing up, 70,000 people left. Seventy thousand! And nobody (is) left in the town."

"Every single house, every single high-rise building; it's just destroyed everything and burnt out; and there's no electricity, no water there since last probably June, July, August."

Nina's family including her 72-year-old mother, her brother and sister-in-law, their children and many of her cousins, aunts and uncles, have been forced from their homes.

"I saw my brother's house it's a five-level building, his apartment was on the fourth floor, and I saw that it was a direct shot in his apartment. To see that black hole and I know that his living room was there, it's just devastating."

"It was very painful to see, but the biggest pain was when I saw my mom's home."

Nina saw a video that Russians had filmed of the streets in Bakhmut.

"I noticed the building which (was) next door to my mum, was just ruined, so several floors just (do) not exist anymore."

Along with many others, Nina's mother and brother have relocated to a smaller central city that lacks strategic resources that the Russians may target, so is potentially safe at this stage.

The cost of rent is extremely high due to the demand from hundreds of thousands of displaced Ukrainians, jobs are scarce, and wages have dropped significantly due to increased demand for work.

Nina worries about her family's welfare every day and checks in with her brother and her mother daily.

"I'm here. I am far from my family and



Nina Kane grew up in the town of Bakhmut, Ukraine and worries every day for her family who are still living in the country.

literally every day for me starting and finishing (thinking), is everything fine or not? Waking up, I'm checking, is everything good? Do I have any messages? I send a message are you okay to my brother, and call mum."

Nina offered to bring her family to Australia, however, her mum was reluctant to leave her family and her country, and the uncertainty was daunting.

"My mum, she's 72, so her health is not perfect, her life was quite difficult and this is probably why she didn't want to come also, because to have a flight, 24 hours in the plane is also not easy, and she worries that she will feel bad while she will be flying."

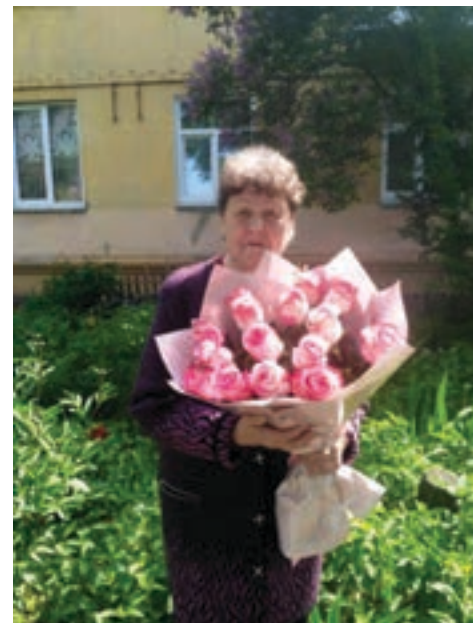
"I understand that she has nothing and at that age, she will be not able to buy anything. She has lost everything and it's just heartbreaking."

Nina has also been shocked and dismayed about the divide that has opened between friends and families that lived along the borders of Ukraine and Russia.

"When I started my study, it didn't really matter where do you lived because it was one country."

With the dissolution of the USSR in 1991, Ukraine and Russia became separate countries, yet the border was more a formality in the beginning, according to Nina.

"I know a lot of my friends and a lot



Nina was able to send flowers to her mum on Mother's Day, who is now living in central Ukraine after being displaced from her home, due to Russia's invasion.

of people who had relatives and friends on both sides of the border, and when the recession started more than one year ago, I thought honestly, that in Russia, people will not support this, this disaster, because they have a relative, outside of the borders, in Ukraine. It's just people who just live their lives and there's nothing bad there."

Nina never imagined that what has happened, could happen.

"But within several months, I was just shocked how many people who believe in this brainwashing which go on in Russian TV and everywhere. I am just shocked I honestly stopped communicating with almost everyone."

Nina knows people who lived along the border who have been put in impossible positions.

"My really close friend in school where I lived the last 18 years (in Russia), her husband is in the military and he is from a town close to us (in Russia). His mum moved to a major Ukrainian city."

"When it was bombed by Russia, I don't know how he kept his mind, how he didn't get mentally sick, because his army, to whom he had served all his life, bombed his mum's home."

Nina, family and friends are not hopeful that the war will end anytime soon, but it is all they really have to look forward to.

Savings help children's centre reinvest

ELECTRICITY bills and greenhouse gas emissions have been slashed at the Bass Coast Children's Centre in Wonthaggi after the installation of a 15.98 kW solar power system, supported by grant funding from the Victorian Government (through Sustainability Victoria) and Bass Coast Shire.

Installed in November 2022, the day care centre's latest electricity bill shows a 54 per cent decrease in usage compared to the same time last year.

This represents a dollar saving of almost \$850 over the last quarter.

The solar power system was co-funded by a \$6475 grant from Sustainability Victoria under the Community Climate Change and Energy Action program, plus

a co-contribution of \$3250 from Bass Coast Shire Council.

Bass Coast Children's Centre contributed \$4200, which is expected to be paid-back within 18 months, after electricity bill savings are accounted for.

For other local organisations who want to install solar power, Council has a recently launched fund which may be able to support.

Up to \$40,000 per year is now available through Bass Coast Shire Council's Community Grants Program to support local climate action projects.

"This solar system not only helps to achieve sustainability goals, but it has also decreased our running costs at a time of spiralling expenses in other areas," Bass Coast



Children's Centre Committee of Management President, Minnie Hopkins said.

"The financial savings from our rooftop solar system will be put to good use educating and supporting our littlest local children. Over the life of the system, this means thousands of dollars extra invested in our community."

For more information visit www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/grants.

ABOVE: President, Bass Coast Children's Centre Management Committee, Minnie Hopkins (first left); Jordan Crugnale MP (second left); Acting Director Industry & Infrastructure, Sustainability Victoria, Luke Wilkinson (third left); Cr Leticia Laing; Manager Sustainable Environment, Bass Coast Shire, Simon Woodland (fourth right); Acting Coordinator, Climate and Sustainability, Bass Coast Shire, Christian Slatter.

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Scholarships for Residents of Bena, Loch, Nyora, Poowong and Surrounding Areas.

Greenhills Community Benevolent Society Incorporated has as one of its aims, the encouragement of local residents to attain tertiary qualifications or an apprenticeship.

Greenhills Community Benevolent Society Incorporated is pleased to announce that the next round of applications for the scholarships will be accepted from Saturday, July 1, 2023.

ELIGIBILITY:

The scholarship is available to students attending an Australian university or tertiary institution or undertaking an apprenticeship in the past 6 months. Preference will be given to those studying full-time and those studying Certificate 3 and above. Students must have a residential connection with Bena, Loch, Nyora, Poowong or surrounding areas.

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ASSESSMENT PROCESS:

Applications will be assessed by the Greenhills Community Benevolent Society Incorporated Board. Short-listed applicants may be interviewed.

Applications will open on Saturday, July 1, 2023 and must be received by Monday, July 31, 2023.

The Greenhills Community Benevolent Society decision is final. Scholarships will be paid in early September. All applicants will be notified of their results.

Application forms can be obtained from:
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Newhaven College seeks new Head of Middle School

MIDDLE School at Newhaven College consists of students in Years 5 to 8 representing the distinct period of human growth, young adolescence.

At the ages 10 to 14, children experience rapid and significant developmental change.

Understanding and responding to the unique developmental characteristics of young adolescents is central to the approach to education by the Middle School at Newhaven College.

The programs in Middle School optimise the social, emotional and academic capabilities that set students up for future success, in school and beyond.

Students need to experience well-being and have positive relationships that include making contributions to others and the community.

High expectations and academic growth accomplished in a supportive environment that uses strategies appropriate for this age level, is what enables each student to develop and grow.

Every child's academic and personal growth is guided by the Middle School community, with a specific teacher supporting each child's development as they progress through each year level. Newhaven College's organisational

structures and processes are such that knowing each child individually is an interconnected component of the role of all teachers in Middle School.

There are many opportunities for students to participate in activities that occur outside the classroom, within year levels and across the wider school community.

All students are encouraged to become involved, as these activities assist students in creating communities within the College, build pride in the school and strengthen the school spirit.

Newhaven College's current Head of Middle School, Geoff White, has decided to focus on teaching from next year, so the College is seeking a new Head of Middle School starting in 2024. The Head of Middle School, along with a team of staff, is responsible for the day to day running of the academic, pastoral and co-curricular program. Reporting directly to the Principal, the Head of Middle School is part of the College's Leadership Team.

For additional details on requirements, duties and responsibilities, please contact Leisa Lomax, Human Resources Manager on 5956 7505. Applications close 4:00pm Thursday, July 21.



Current Newhaven College Head of Middle School Geoff White with Year 8 Middle School Captains Aidan Smyth and Mia Thompson.

Health and wellbeing of Gippsland revealed

FINANCIAL security, employment and a healthy environment all impact on the mental health and wellbeing of people in Gippsland, including the LGBTQIA+ community. Gippsland Primary Health Network's two new Priority Issues Papers address these factors and more in the two new snapshots - Mental Health and Wellbeing - Prevention and Promotion and LGBTQIA+ Health and Wellbeing.

The first issues paper reveals 7.9% of adults in Gippsland ran out of money to buy food in the past year compared to the Victorian average of 5.9%.

While Gippsland is also the second lowest of all Victorian PHNs for labour force participation with 54.1% of working age people in employment, compared to 66.8% across Victoria.

The paper also showed 12.5% of adults in Gippsland rarely feel valued by society compared to 11% in Victoria with the Latrobe Local Government Area recording the highest figure in Victoria of 18.1%.

Other key statistics showed:
• 23% of students in year 7-9 in Gippsland report being bullied

- (17.5% in Victoria)
 - 32.8% of school leavers participated in higher education in Gippsland (57.5% in Victoria)
 - 81.2% of young people (aged 16 years) in Gippsland participate in secondary school education (88.5% in Victoria)
 - All Gippsland LGAs have a high rate of family violence incidents, compared to the rest of Victoria especially in East Gippsland (139% higher), Latrobe (134% higher), Wellington (105% higher) and Bass Coast (50% higher)
 - Around 2 in 5 females in Gippsland feel safe walking alone at night after dark, compared to 4 in 5 males
- The second issues paper looks at the impacts on the health and wellbeing of the LGBTQIA+ community in Gippsland including mental health, health care and service related issues.
- The paper highlights that LGBTQIA+ people are more likely to face stigma and discrimination; are at higher risk of poor mental health and suicidal behaviours; and need improved and safe access to appropriate services with a well-trained workforce.

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Ali Wastie always set for higher office

A TEACHER with French and psychology majors, Bass Coast CEO Ali Wastie was always destined for higher office, once she gained experience with various government departments, including the Victorian Auditor General's Office (VAGO) and entered local government.

However, after seven and a half years at the Yarra Ranges Council moving through the ranks, and six months at the City of Melbourne, her appointment at Bass Coast in February 2019, was only ever going to be a stepping-stone.

While it's commendable that she jumped in as a member of the South Gippsland Hospital Board almost two years ago, and joined One Gippsland, it was obvious from her decision not to live locally, and to accept the high-profile role of chair of the combined Alpine Resorts Victoria Board, that the lucrative, top job at Bass Coast wasn't going to be enough.

Now, only a couple of days after the council decided to officially extend her tenure, for another five years, to February 2028, Ms Wastie is gone.

A government star on the rise, she has been head-hunted by the enormous, and occasionally troubled, Greater Geelong City Council, going from a \$106 million annual budget at Wonthaggi, to one at Geelong of \$564.9 million, including capital projects of \$195.9 million, debt levels of \$180.9 million, new borrowings of \$70 million and employee costs of almost \$200 million.

It's a huge step, even for someone of Ms Wastie's capabilities, but the sky's the limit now and we wish her well.

But the council was clearly blindsided by the news last Friday and with the bare minimum of notice, little more than four weeks, it's difficult to see how there will be a proper handover to an interim CEO, especially at the height of the new ski season, if Ms Wastie is to retain the ARV role alongside her duties at Geelong.

As much as you can't expect to retain top staff forever, and the fact that Ms Wastie has certainly left her mark on Bass Coast, there are lessons for council through her tenure.

Number one; no shire CEO on a salary of \$400,000-a-year plus should be approved by council to take out-of-area board chair roles of the kind Ms Wastie accepted at ARV.

Number two; while council can't stipulate where a CEO should live, they need to be clear it's preferable, and consider recruiting a suitable applicant who does live locally.

Number three; the Council might consider an applicant already established at the level, one not so clearly looking to move on and up.

It will also be interesting to see if Ms Wastie insists on changing the weekly rubbish bin collection (landfill) across the City of Greater Geelong to a fortnightly service, like we have here, with both areas hosting significant holiday crowds.

Vox Pop

What do you want to be when you grow up?



Mia-Laice

Wonthaggi North Primary School.

I'm not sure what I want to be when I grow up, but I love animals and the environment, especially reptiles.



Brody

Wonthaggi North Primary School.

I don't really know, I guess a boxer? I've watched boxing since I was three, because mum worked with them.



Taylor

Wonthaggi North Primary School.

I want to be in the army. I don't know, I would just get to see lots of places and help people.



Addy

Wonthaggi North Primary School.

When I grow up, I want to be a zoologist because I love animals and I want to work with animals.

Better engagement, better decisions, says BCRRA

Bass Coast Council's policy is to conduct deliberative engagement. Deliberative engagement places greater emphasis on involving people in decision-making.

It affords participants more opportunity and time to discuss and consider an issue in greater detail, which helps community members to reach a more measured, informed view.

Further, council states: "Council commits to open and effective community engagement. We value and acknowledge the skills, views, and expertise of the Bass Coast community. We want to ensure that all our engagement opportunities lead to better decisions and services for Bass Coast."

Fine words indeed. But all too often the statement amounts to nothing more than fine words.

Community disquiet around topics such as the bungled process for naming the cultural centre, and the bungling of Inverloch's shared path, show that council is not living up to its words. Those two important projects demonstrate how Bass Coast Shire Council is failing to set itself as a good example of governance for the Bass Coast community.

Many community members do not regard community engagement and transparency to be hallmarks of the current council. That's not surprising if you accept that the current council is the most authoritarian that our shire has ever seen.

It is a council dominated by the mayor and the CEO. The mayor has made his disdain for public questioning of council abundantly clear, and the CEO uses inaccurate assertions (about the number of emails sent in a year by Mr Griffin*) to deem customers as unreasonable.

This council talks the talk, but it fails to walk the talk.

One would have thought that, following the recent debacle around the botched proposal for a regional skate park on San Remo's foreshore, councillors would have learned much about the need for proper community engagement. Yet they have not.

They did not listen then. They're not listening still. Perhaps they never will.

Kevin Griffin, Bass Coast Ratepayers and Residents Association Secretary.

• Editor's note: Mr Griffin claims Council has black-banned him from writing emails to individual councillors after accusing him of sending 400 emails per year. He claims the number is closer to 40, but with all councillors and the CEO copied in (10 copies), he says Council inflates the number to 400. He has described council's attitude to him and other regular letter writers as unfair.

Say yes for a better future

As a surviving Vietnam Conscript, I have empathy for the generational health

and wellbeing of our First Australians.

Many veterans have felt forgotten and emotionally crushed, waiting for recognition of their due respect, support and wellbeing.

In so many ways and for many decades our First Australians have been forced to deal with a clash of cultures, when they have given so much, including volunteer service for Australia during wartime, then to return home to continuing discrimination, without citizenship or a vote.

Nevertheless, despite their generational struggles, with decades of trauma from stolen generations of their children, since first European settlement dispossessed them, they have shown remarkable and heroic defence of their culture and family wellbeing and given to Australia in so many ways, economically, socially and culturally.

Generations of hardship, trauma, while for too long, denied equal opportunities or justice yes! Why are we so suspicious of the imagined motives of people we often haven't met - discrimination is learned, so painful and pointless.

Yes! Our First Australian citizens have waited long enough to be fairly rewarded for their outstanding National contribution and treated with better respect and given a strong National Voice.

We have so much evidence of their traditional place, art and artefacts, proof we live on their stolen tribal lands.

Yes! This is a timely and significant moment in our Australian history, a test of our declared Australian historical commitment to a "Fair Go" - to put aside our learned indifference and prejudice, to better respect all Australians in our founding Constitution and heal, unite and grow our Nation.

Yes! First Australians traditional cultural practices of respect, care and dependence on country, give us hope for better, land use and a more sustainable future - learning to better, sustainable living with nature.

Dick Lester, Leongatha

Urgent appeal

Concerning research from the Leukaemia Foundation reveals the majority (80 per cent) of blood cancer patients needing to relocate for treatment would be forced to exhaust their savings to fund accommodation close to treatment.

The Leukaemia Foundation's support is crucial for these individuals, providing free-of-charge accommodation centres and support to alleviate some of their financial burden.

With a devastating shortfall in donations, the Leukaemia Foundation has launched an urgent appeal in order to continue to provide a place to stay for these patients and their loved ones.

More than 19,000 Australians will experience the pain of a blood cancer diagnosis this year alone - and that number is set to nearly double by 2035, meaning the demand for these services will continue to grow. With-

out the generosity of everyday Australians, we risk being unable to continue offering this vital support.

This June, Leukaemia Foundation is urgently appealing to the generosity of the Australian community and inviting individuals, families, and businesses to lend their support by making a tax-deductible gift in time for the end of the financial year.

Chris Tanti

CEO, Leukaemia Foundation

Bridge too far

Upon reading your article (ST June 14) "Works for Leongatha and Korumburra precincts advance" I found myself asking, "do we really need a pedestrian bridge to connect the Leongatha rail yard car park to the shopping precinct?"

Council has already spent large amounts of ratepayer money on the car park, on land we don't own, and I really don't find it that difficult using the footpath to get to the shops.

Perhaps the design work is well advanced, and although no cost is mentioned, I guess a pedestrian bridge will cost \$100,000s and require ongoing maintenance and safety assessments.

Council should consider whether the project should proceed, and what the community's views are on this.

Steve Finlay, Leongatha

Keep cats under control

As I was driving down the dirt track to the Wonthaggi Surf Club I came upon a black and white cat in the grass about to pounce on something it was intently studying.

My car disturbed it before it could kill whatever it was stalking, and it took off into the scrub. Domestic and feral cats are decimating wildlife all over Australia.

An article in last week's 'Age' newspaper put the figure at 2.6 billion native birds and mammals and reptiles a year (frogs and insects were not counted).

That's billion folks, not million.

Cat owners avoid the confronting truth that their cat kills animals every night (they are more efficient at night; their prey has a slightly better chance in daylight).

It is always someone else's cat. Wake up and take responsibility.

At the very least, keep your cat locked in overnight. One day, the bush will be silent except for the purr of your cat.

Name and address supplied

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



Island Whale Festival makes a splash for 2023

THE Island Whale Festival 2023 is just a few days away and celebrates the arrival of these majestic creatures with a range of special events across Phillip Island for the festival weekend.

This Festival is taking place on Friday, June 30, Saturday, July 1 and Sunday, July 2, and the program is packed with activities and events across the weekend.

The Festival Hub is located at St Philip's Church Hall and grounds in Cowes.

Inside the marquee will be a range of interactive information stalls and lots of kids activities including painting your own whale cookie, face painting, whale head bands, and colouring in.

There will be an Eco Arts Collaboration with For Our Future presenting local community artists Camille Monet and Helen Matthews, who are creating an interactive whale art piece and a whale crown creations.

A Silent Disco will take place on Friday afternoon - a fun, immersive dance session for all ages!

Inside the hall, will be a range of talks and presentations covering topics, including; when whales walked and the Megalodon with a paelentologist , caring for Victoria's wildlife, conservation projects, citizen science projects,nature photography, marine career sessions and more.

The Wildlife Coast Cruises stage will feature some of our local performers and a 'whale idol' competition.

Next door in the Masonic Hall will be a Virtual Reality experience where you can 'snorkel' on the Southern Ocean Reef and a fun Recycled Plastics workshop.

Traditional custodian and local artist Uncle Steve Parker will also be holding a beautiful Whale Blessing Ceremony on Saturday on the Cowes Foreshore.



The Island Whale Festival is sure to be a big hit again this year. Photo: Hero Media

Woolamai Beach Life Saving Club at Cape Woolamai (one of the best spots on the island to look for whales!) will be the home of the Dolphin Research Institute and Two Bays Whale Project who will host Spot A Whale, talks and activities.

There is also a Pop-Up Art show at

The Nobbies Centre (Saturday and Sunday) featuring some of our talented local artists. Enjoy some beautiful art while you search for whales!

Don't miss the only opportunity to see The Ocean Film Festival in Victoria this winter. The unique collection of 7 short

films from around the globe documenting the beauty and power of the ocean. There will be 3 screenings at Newhaven College Black Box theatre - Saturday 2pm and 7pm and Sunday 2pm.

Program information is available at islandwhales.com.au

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*Talks & Presentations *Pop-Up Art Show *Live Music *Silent Disco *VR Experience



Ensure you declare all your income

WITH new and emerging ways to make money, the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) is reminding taxpayers to consider if they are 'in business' and to declare all income when lodging their tax return this year.

Record numbers of taxpayers are now working multiple jobs or supplementing their income with 'side hustles' or 'gig' economy activities, and it's important everyone pays the right amount of tax.

ATO Assistant Commissioner Tim Loh said if you earn money through continuous and repeated activities for the purpose of making a profit, then it's likely you're running a business.

Businesses have a range of obligations depending on their structure and turnover, including registering for an Australian business number, keeping the right records and lodging the right type of tax return.

They may also have to register for goods and services tax (GST).

The ATO is running an advertising campaign to remind taxpayers about their obligations if their side hustle is generating income.

Mr Loh acknowledged 'sometimes it's hard to tell if you're 'in business' and we recognise not everything you do to make money is considered a business.

The ATO won't consider activities as 'in business' when they are a one-off transaction (unless it is the first step in carrying on a business or intended to be repeated) or an activity from which you don't seek to make a profit.'

The ATO has sophisticated data-matching and analytical tools to identify taxpayers that under-report their income.

From July 1, 2023, the Sharing Economy Reporting Regime will commence and the ATO will receive data from more electronic distribution platforms.

The ATO will match this information with the information taxpayers provide on their tax return or activity statement to identify income that has not been included.

If you are finding your feet in business, the ATO is here to support you.

The ATO has new to business resources, webinars and tools to help you kick-off on the right foot.

You can also talk to a registered tax professional.

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With investing becoming a lot more prevalent, investing in shares and cryptocurrency, commercial property



Principal Cade Zun and his team at Zun & Associates offer tax return services, from individual returns including sole traders and partnerships, through small to medium businesses, company and SMSF. Z08_2622

and Airbnb, there is additional information that people need to be aware of at tax time to best manage and claim tax deductions.

"It is a changing investment environment, so it is important to explore all avail-

able resources to inform tax planning and investment strategies into the future."

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WAYNE van Spaendonck from WvS Accounting & Financial Services has found the move to Inverloch, from the Eastern suburbs of Melbourne, a wonderful change of lifestyle.

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Jan Clarke loves volunteering with the under 8s soccer and when she's not doing this, she can take care of all your tax and financial needs.

A great team for your tax returns

WHEN Jan Clark isn't taking care of client's tax and financial needs, she loves to enjoy all that Bass Coast has to offer, trawling the local markets for the freshest produce and volunteering for the under 8s soccer.

She starts the day with a good coffee, a laugh with her three children, and then she gets on with the job of directing an experienced team at Finance Consulting and

Accounting (FCAA).

The team at FCAA prides themselves on providing personal, friendly and high-quality advice and services to their clients.

Walter is the specialist in superannuation and Jorde is a master at setting up businesses and teaching how to use online products like XERO.

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legal boundaries.

"Our clients' affairs are regularly reviewed to ensure that they are organised in a way that is as tax effective as possible," Jan said.

FCAA is committed to providing a personal service to their clients and this has led to the development of close relationships with clients. This gives the team unique insight into the clients'

business affairs, so they can provide high quality and tailored advice. Jan and the FCAA team see themselves as not merely the provider of a service driven by compliance requirements, but as an effective partner in our clients' businesses. The firm will be moving to 48 McBride Ave Wonthaggi in September 2023 and all appointments will remain in Inverloch until then.

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Grade six students Ola and Vael of Powlett River Primary School were selected to be part of Kids as Catalysts and presented their 'Kids Thrive' pitch at the Dalyston Hall on Tuesday morning. Z08_2623



Riley, Lee and Cody were part of the Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts program working with community partners to make a change for the future. Z09_2623



Laura, Georgina, Kerryn, and Kelly attended the Kids as Catalysts pitch session at Dalyston Hall as community partners to help primary kids thrive. Z10_2623



Ned, Miller, and Kayden of Bass Valley Primary School presented their pitch to the panel of judges at the Dalyston Hall as part of the Kids as Catalysts program. Z11_2623



Aaliyah Henwood, Amy Morris and Piper Kempster at Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal.



Izzy Summers, Montanna Campbell and Kyla McKenzie at Silverwater Resort for Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal.



Asha Boyd and Kiara Brusamarello celebrated the midpoint of their final year at Bass Coast College during the Year 12 formal.



Taj Murdoch and Ben Clements at Bass Coast College's class of 2023 formal.



Charlee Hullick, William Delforce and Sebastian Toomey enjoyed Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal on Thursday.

Snapped Out

Pictures of you and your friends at Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts program at Dalyston Community Hall, Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal, softball at Bass Recreation Reserve and Celebrate Her! Stories of South Gippsland Women Closing Party on Sunday June 25 at Stockyard Gallery, Foster.



Isaac Dalton, Sam Nicholls, Jack Leverington and Seth Cummins attended Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal on Thursday night.



Ros Whitehead and Christine Bell attended the Celebrate Her! Closing Party and said the project was splendid and wonderful. Ob28_2623



Grant Flather of The Outer Space, Meeniyan, with Shelley Panton of Panton Store, Toora (opening soon). Both thought the Celebrate Her! project was fabulous and felt inspired by the talented South Gippsland women. Ob29_2623



Samara Cunningham with Rhys Freeman. Samara was one of the 23 women celebrated for her involvement in bringing arts and dancing programs to communities. Ob30_2623



Thomas Gengenbach was part of the group that organised concerts for the Celebrate Her! project, with Joan Liley, celebrated for her work in sustainable farming, protecting the environment and supporting women in leadership. Ob31_2623



Susan Purdy with Helen Tiernan from Fish Creek. Susan was involved with behind-the-scenes activities for Celebrate Her! Helen is an interested observer, and both thought the project ended with a spectacular result. Ob32_2623



Autumn and Casper Ross tested their skills at Friday night softball.



Hannah Telfer and Freya Bennett geared up for Friday night softball at Bass Recreation Reserve.



Teachers of Powlett River Primary, Bass Valley Primary, Wonthaggi North Primary, and Newhaven Primary attended the Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts morning in Dalyston. Z12_2623



Grade six students of Wonthaggi North Primary School pitched their cat containment community action with Ross from Bass Coast Shire Council. Z14_2623



Powlett River Primary School students partnered with Kathleen from Gipps sport to encourage gender equality within the community. Z15_2623

Students take action in the community

THE Kids as Catalysts is a Kids Thrive program allowing students in grades five and six to take the lead in community action, pitching their ideas to a panel of community representatives at the Dalyston Hall on June 20.

The creative program came to Bass Coast in 2021 and started with one school - Newhaven Primary. In 2022 Bass Valley and Powlett River Primary Schools joined in. This year it has increased to four schools, welcoming students from Bass Valley, Powlett River, Wonthaggi North and Newhaven Primary to discover their interests, pair up with their peers on a particular subject and choose a community partner to bring an idea to fruition.

Dr. Andrea Lemon CEO / Co-Creative Director of Kids Thrive said the program has won multiple awards for delivering significant outcomes for kids and communities across Victoria.

“This year 18 groups of students have addressed key issues impacting local kids - educational engagement and

outcomes, personal resilience, mental health and community involvement.”

Bass Coast Community Foundation invited Kids Thrive to bring the program to the region, generously funding and promoting Kids as Catalysts for the benefit of the Bass Coast community.

The program also receives funding from VicHealth’s Future Healthy program, and the Victorian Department of Education.

The student pitch is a key part of the annual program, with students coming together to pitch their idea for funding for 18 projects co-designed, planned and budgeted with community partners drawn from 15 local community organisations.

The projects have been designed to support elders, kids, people with different abilities, cultural diversity, and gender equality, alongside the environment and local animal welfare.

Principal of Powlett River Primary Wendy Nichol said it’s great because people often underestimate what primary school aged kids can achieve.

“The panel of community representatives gave the students feedback and advice on their project, and prior to the pitch, the students work on budgets, timelines and how to share their message,” said Wendy.

The students addressed their chosen issues through role play, using drama skills to strengthen their pitch and help the panel understand the vital role they could play in their communities.

The pitch panel was made up of local leaders, Dr Ande Lemon – Kids Thrive CEO, Sharyne Monday – Newhaven Primary Principal, Sharon King – Bass Valley Primary Principal, Chelsea Caple – Bass Coast Community Foundation Director, Collete McMahon – Bass Coast Shire Council Manager Community Safety and Wellbeing, and Aunty Patrice Mahoney – OAM.

All teams were successful in winning funding for their projects and will be leading the delivery of these plans within the community in the first two weeks of term three.



Students at Tarwin Lower Primary School look forward to raising enough funds to get new equipment in their playground.

Movie night for new playground

TARWIN Lower Primary School is getting closer to their goal of being able to install a new playground for students.

Two movie nights are planned for the upcoming school holidays to raise additional funds so the school can reach their goal of \$37,000, to make playground upgrade possible.

Freya Carbone, Acting Principal at the school said they have been working on raising funds since last year, holding various raffles and events and have achieved about 50 percent of what is needed so far.

“We’re chipping away, but hopefully the movie nights will bring in a good amount to support that.”

A large-scale thermometer at Tarwin IGA is keeping track of the schools’ progress, and a successful grant application to the Bald Hill Windfarm has given funds a good boost.

The school captains worked hard to write part of the grant application and talked with other students about what they wanted and what they would like in their playground.

They then put this feedback in a letter as part of the grant application process.

“They’ve been involved in the process and testing their persuasive writing skills,” Freya said.

This led to a grant of \$10,000 from the wind farm, with Freya and one of the school captains attending the presentation night to receive the grant.

The new playground will replace the old one which needs updating to fit the students’ needs. Designs are in place and along with other items a climbing frame will be installed.

The community has been supportive of the school and donations have been received from various groups, including the Tarwin District Auto & Machinery Club and the Tarwin Lower Hall and other individual contributions.

There are also donation tins available at IGA for donations.

The first movie night will be held on Friday June 30 and will show Puss in Boots and the other will be held on Friday July 7 and will show Sing 2.

Tickets can be purchased via the QR code on posters displayed locally and via the Tarwin Lower Primary School Facebook page or purchased at the door.

Tickets are \$10 per person with children under three free and popcorn is included.

The movie will start at 6pm with a sausage sizzle at 5:30pm for families who would like dinner before the movie.



Frankie Murray-White, Isaac Shaw, Charlotte Morris, Eve Leversha, Heidi Peterson, Chloe Hynd and Elijah Fokkens celebrated the midpoint of their final year at Bass Coast College on Thursday.



Grace Humphris, Mica Jolly, Laetitia Pugh, Scout O'Neill, Lucy Peterson and Olivia Murphy at Bass Coast College's 2023 formal.

Bass Coast College formal celebrations for class of 2023

BASS Coast College’s class of 2023 celebrated the halfway point of their final school year with their formal last Thursday night.

The event was held at Silverwater Resort, organised by Year 12 coordinator Vaughan Gleeson with support of the students.

“We have just under 150 Year 12 students this year, the majority of which are here tonight (Thursday),” senior campus

principal Ross Bramley said.

“We appreciate the venue for supplying us with a space that is inclusive of our cohort. Full credit goes to Vaughan Gleeson and the students who worked behind the scenes to decorate and prepare for the event. They’ve done a fantastic job.”

The formal marks the end of the students’ unit three studies.

Unit four will begin following the two-week school holiday break.

“The formal is an opportunity to galvanise the group as they head into their unit four studies,” Mr Bramley said.

“It’s been a great year, led by our excellent teaching staff. It’s wonderful we are able to bring the cohort together for a social event like this. It’s about connecting as a group and encouraging them that there is so many more good things to come this year and many good things to come in life.”

Wonthaggi North and Powlett River puppet connections

STUDENTS from Powlett River Primary School (PRPS) and Wonthaggi North Primary School (WNPS) experienced an amazing shadow puppet workshop at their respective schools earlier this month.

PRPS Principal, Wendy Nicol, coordinated the incursion through the Performing Arts unit of the Department of Education through the Positive Start initiative.

Lyall and Mason, from A Blanck Canvas, showed students how to create and use a simple shadow puppet made from black paper and a wooden chopstick.

First, they showed students a video

with lots of puppets they had made which featured in amazing festivals such as White Night Melbourne and overseas.

Puppeter, Lyall, said that using a puppet “allows us to do things in a really interesting way”.

Different types of puppets include sock, marionette, stick/rod, etc.

Lyall told the students, “You can make puppets from almost anything.”

All the classes learned about ‘negative space’, that is, to cut out areas of the puppet.

The puppet workshop was fun, and it

proved a big hit with all the students.

WNPS Art/Drama teacher, Kerry McGennissen (aka ‘Miss Mac’) said “the workshop was fantastic!”

“The students all really engaged with the presenters and thoroughly enjoyed learning about shadow puppets and performing in their very own show. It’s great to have these sorts of programs available to students in country schools to expose them to what we can do in The Arts in school and maybe even consider as a job they could do when they are older.”



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Comedy classic to hit the stage this week

LEONGATHA Lyric Theatre have done it again with another incredible musical treat!

Mel Brooks' most famous musical, "The Producers", is about to hit the stage in glorious fashion from June 30, running through until July 15, at the beautiful Memorial Hall in Leongatha.

The hall has been incredibly transformed by a dedicated technical team into a wonderful theatre space, with staging, lighting, and sound, that is sure to wow audiences.

There are many different elements to the staging, and we can't say too much, but we can say that what is being done with the set for this show has never been attempted in South Gippsland before, and we are very excited to showcase this technology.

Wonderful staging and technical elements would, of course, be nothing without a fabulous and incredibly talented cast on stage, supported by a wonderful crew off stage, and we are extremely lucky to have the best of the best when it comes to this.

Directed by the wonderful Dan Lawrie, this hilarious musical is sure to be a crowd favourite!

A down-on-his-luck Broadway producer, Max Bialystock, and his mild-mannered accountant, Leo Bloom, come up with a scheme to produce the

most notorious flop in history, thereby bilking their backers (who are all "little old ladies") out of millions of dollars.

The antics of Max Bialystock and Leo Bloom as they manoeuvre their way fecklessly through finding a show (the gloriously offensive "Springtime for Hitler"), hiring a terrible director, raising the money, and finally putting on their awful musical is a lesson in broad comic construction.

At the core of the insanely funny adventure is a poignant emotional journey of two very different men who become friends.

With a truly hysterical book co-written by Mel Brooks and Thomas Meehan (Annie) and music and lyrics by Mr. Brooks, "The Producers" skewers Broadway traditions and takes no prisoners as it proudly proclaims itself an "equal opportunity offender!"

Tickets for the show are already selling fast! Be sure to purchase yours via Try Booking, www.leongathalyric.com.au, or by calling 0490 525 482.

We are so appreciative of the wonderful support we get show after show from our audiences and sponsor partners.

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Hall to go French!

BABY et Lulu is the ARIA-nominated 6-piece 'must-see act that will seduce your ears with its chansons' (The Weekend Edition) and will be playing Meeniyon Town Hall on Friday, June 30.

Faux-French sensations Abby Dobson and Lara Goodridge, and their prodigiously talented band, are thrilled to come to Meeniyon Town Hall for the very first time to perform songs from their three acclaimed albums, in French, as well as some new unreleased chansons, in a celebration of love, life and passion... all with a sultry, sometimes outrageous French accent.

The 'très charismatic pairing of sexy songstress-es' (AU Review) have performed at WOMADelaide, Adelaide Cabaret Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival,

Brisbane Powerhouse, Brisbane Cabaret Festival, The Famous Spiegeltent, Port Fairy, Woodford Folk Festival, as well as venues such as Adelaide Festival Centre and Melbourne Arts Centre.

Don't miss these two sassy and playful characters, with their extraordinary band, their femme fatale glamour and très witty banter.

Full of humour and joy, passion and emotion, they will have you weeping in the aisles and dancing in your seats in a veritable celebration of la vie française.

All shows at the hall are BYO so pack your Beaujolais and a baguette to share with your friends.

Tickets are available at lyrebirdartscouncil.com.au/baby-et-lulu/ or at the door on the night.

Exciting production of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

FOSTER theatre company, FAMDA, will be staging a junior version of 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' in the September school holidays.

'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang' started out in 1964 as a children's novel about a magical car written by Ian Fleming of James Bond fame.

In 1968 the story was adapted into an MGM film with a screenplay by Roald Dahl plus cheerful and catchy songs by brothers, Richard and Robert Sherman, who also wrote the songs for 'Mary Poppins'.

A stage musical followed in 2005 with extra songs and this has now been adapted into 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang JR' which will have the famous flying car landing in Foster between 22 September and 1 October.

FAMDA's 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang JR' is being directed by Peter McAlpine.

He is looking for 30 plus aspiring actors, singers

and dancers aged under 18 to bring this exciting venture to the Foster stage.

There will be an Information Session for children and their parents/guardians at 11:00 on Saturday morning, July 1, at the Foster War Memorial Arts Centre where details of the production will be revealed.

Don't wait for the information session however.

Aspiring performers are advised to request an emailed audition pack via theatre@famda.org.au.

The pack includes a choice of monologues and a song to practise so that they will shine at the auditions.

Auditions will be by appointment, beginning on Sunday, July 2, at the Arts Centre.

Audition appointments can be booked right now online at famda.org.au or trybooking.com/CJGUG.

Young performers will enjoy the ride in 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang'.



Heritage Victoria have been cataloguing new artefacts from the Amazon 1863 shipwreck which will be on display in Inverloch over the July school holidays.

Old relics for new shipwreck display

THE AMAZON 1863 Project will be showing off new artefacts from the Inverloch shipwreck over the July school holidays.

Heritage Victoria have been cataloguing lots of pieces from the ship, including photographing, measuring and documenting elements and these will be on display.

"One of the artefacts that was found has got a piece of rope in it and we're talking over 160-year-old piece of rope. Different ropes were used for different things. The way it's made up explains what it might have been used for," said Karyn Bugeja, Secretary of the Amazon 1863 Project Inc.

"We've got pins that are like thick nails, big brass nails that held the ship together. We've got some of those and they're incredibly heavy.

"There are pieces of advanced metal, which is the metal that covered the bottom of the hull of the ship where it was in the water to protect it from being damaged by teredo worms and barnacles and things."

Not only will people be able to read about and look at the artefacts, but they can have a hands-on experience with pieces from the old relic, which has proved to be a hit with kids.

There will be an information board displayed and another highlight that will spark interest and is worth finding out about is the Lloyds Shipping Register.

The register kept a record of ships and classed them according to how and what materials they were built from. It began in the 1760s and progressed from there.

The Amazon was registered in 1856, after being built in 1855.

"The Amazon for a cargo ship was pretty special because it was given an A-1 rating, which was for high quality ships," Karyn said.

"There's just so many components to this ship. The craftsmanship in the ship building was just incredible."

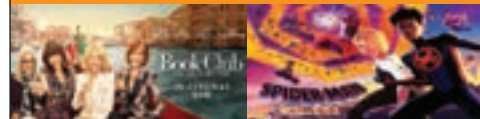
New and old artefacts will be on display at the Inverloch Community Hub from Wednesday July 5 to Monday July 24.

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Book Club 2: The Next Chapter [M]

Fri 30 Jun 10.00am
Wed 5 Jul 12.45pm
Fri 7 Jul 10.00am

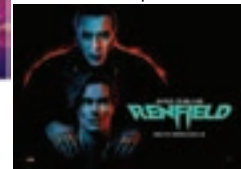


Guardians of the Galaxy Vol.3 [M]

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

Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse [PG]

Wed 28 Jun 10.00am
Fri 30 Jun 12.30pm
Sat 1 Jul 3.00pm
Sun 2 Jun 5.15pm



Renfield [MA15+]

Wed 28 Jun 12.45pm
Fri 30 Jun 8.30pm
Thur 6 Jul 6.10pm
Fri 7 Jul 8.30pm



Love Again [PG]

Sun 2 Jul 12.45pm
Tues 4 Jul 10.00am
Fri 7 Jul 3.15pm
Wed 12 Jul 7.00pm



Super Mario Bros. Movie [PG]

Sat 1 Jul 12.45pm
Tues 4 Jul 12.15pm
Wed 5 Jul 3.15pm
Sat 8 Jul 10.00am



The Little Mermaid [PG]

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



John Farnham: Finding the Voice [M]

Sat 2 Jul 3.00pm
Wed 12 July 10.00am
Wed 12 July 5.00pm



Empire of Light [MA]

Polite Society [M]
Fri 30 Jun 6.15pm
Sat 1 Jul 6.00pm
Tues 4 Jul 8.20pm
Thur 6 Jul 3.50pm



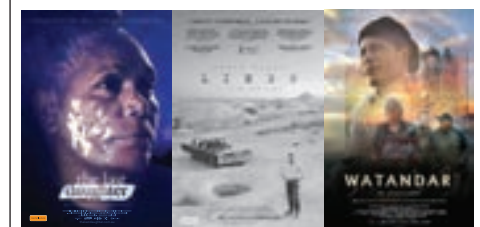
Alcarra's [M]

Bass Coast Fine Film Group
Sun 9 Jul 10.45am

BOLD GREEN = Open Captions Session

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QUIZ: Who wants to be a Squillionaire?

GENERAL TRIVIA QUIZ

1. **[\$100]** Which actress portrayed Katniss Everdeen in “The Hunger Games” film series? A. Jennifer Aniston. B. Jennifer Lawrence. C. Emma Stone. D. Scarlett Johansson.

2. **[\$200]** Which actor played the character of Iron Man in the Marvel Cinematic Universe? A. Robert Downey Jr. B. Chris Evans. C. Tom Hiddleston. D. Chris Hemsworth.

3. **[\$300]** Who is the founder of Microsoft Corporation? A. Steve Jobs. B. Bill Gates. C. Jeff Bezos. D. Mark Zuckerberg.

4. **[\$500]** Who was the director of the film “Pulp Fiction”? A. Quentin Tarantino. B. Martin Scorsese. C. Steven Spielberg. D. Christopher Nolan.

5. **[\$1000]** Who is the lead vocalist of the band Coldplay? A. Chris Martin. B. Dave Grohl. C. Bono. D. Thom Yorke.

6. **[\$2000]** What is the upper house of the Australian Parliament called? A. House of Representatives. B. Senate. C. Legislative Council. D. National Assembly.

7. **[\$4000]** Which Australian scientist won the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for the discovery of penicillin? A. Howard Florey. B. Elizabeth Blackburn. C. Peter Doherty. D. Barry Marshall.

8. **[\$8000]** Which of these is not a book by English author Enid Blyton? A. The Enchanted Wood. B. Malory Towers (series). C. The Naughty Nine (series). D. The Circus of Adventure.

9. **[\$16,000]** How many senators are there in the Australian Parliament? A. 52. B. 64. C. 76. D. 84.

10. **[\$32,000]** Which philosopher famously said: ‘I think therefore I am’? A. Friedrich Nietzsche. B. Immanuel Kant. C. Aristotle. D. René Descartes.

11. **[\$64,000]** Which of these actors is the youngest? A. Harrison Ford. B. Jane Fonda. C. Jack Nicholson. D. Robert De Niro.

12. **[\$125,000]** Which of these is not a lesser-known song by the Beatles? A. Cry Baby Cry. B. Stay Away. C. It’s All Too Much. D. Long, Long, Long.

13. **[\$250,000]** Who is the Australian author of the internationally acclaimed fantasy series “The Obernewtyn Chronicles”? A. Isobelle Carmody. B. Markus Zusak. C. Garth Nix, D. John Marsden.

14. **[\$500,000]** When was the world’s first nuclear explosion? A. September 1, 1939. B. July 16, 1945. C. August 6, 1945. D. September 2, 1945.

15. **[\$1,000,000]** Sir Robert Menzies was Australia’s longest-serving Prime Minister and also Deputy Premier of Victoria but for how many years did he hold the seat of Yooyong in Melbourne’s inner east? A. 24 years. B. 28 years. C. 30 years. D. 32 years.

QUIZ ANSWERS: 1. B. Jennifer Lawrence. 2. A. Rob-
ert Downey Jr. 3. B. Bill Gates. 4. A. Quentin Tarantino.
5. A. Chris Martin. 6. B. Senate. 7. A. Howard Florey.
8. C. The Naughty Nine (series). 9. C. 76. 10. D. René
Descartes. 11. D. Robert De Niro (79). 12. B. Stay Away.
13. A. Isobelle Carmody. 14. B. Jane Fonda. 15. D. 32 years.

SUDOKU

Level: MEDIUM

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Instructions:
Only the numbers from 1 through to 9 can be used. Each 3×3 box can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once. Each vertical column can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once. Each horizontal row can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once

QUICK CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

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- 5 Rope fiber
- 9 Past times
- 10 Tricks
- 11 Earring need
- 12 Very tiny animal
- 13 Part of the foot
- 15 Cubic centimeter
- 16 Mouth moisturiser (2 wds.)
- 18 Calmly
- 21 Vase
- 22 Assisted
- 26 Treat badly
- 28 Small particle
- 29 Harder to find
- 30 Part of speech
- 31 Had known
- 32 Canal

DOWN

- 1 Monetary unit
- 2 Hour
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- 20 Make used to
- 23 Penniless
- 24 Decorative needle case
- 25 Citizen of Denmark
- 27 Tailor

CODE CRACKER

Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26.
Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once.
Three letters are already in place to get you started.

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WORD SEARCH WEATHER

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SHOWERS

SNOW
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SUNSHINE
THUNDER
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SOLUTIONS: June 20, 2023

Logic Puzzle:

- 250,000 - 4.30pm - Monday - GMA
- 500,000 - 2.00pm - Tuesday - FNX
- 750,000 - 1.00pm - Saturday - CBR
- 1,000,000 - 6.00pm - Wednesday - PTR
- 1,250,000 - 8.30pm - Sunday - SBC

Quick Crossword:

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Math Squares:

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Performing arts going from strength to strength

NEWHAVEN College's recent \$8 million Performing Arts Wing is not only award winning but has become a key asset for the community and college.

Opening in 2022, the modern facility has hosted a number of events for students and various performing arts groups.

"It was a much overdue facility for our school and community," Newhaven College Principal Tony Corr said.

"The key features of the build are a black box theatre with seating of up 140 and concertina seating so you can move it in and out.

"It's a fully equipped theatre with light and audio set ups and it also has an acoustically designed rehearsal room."

Mr Corr also highlighted there's a sizable foyer space with a box office, which has been utilised by the Artists' Society of Phillip Island.

"What I've been really pleased about is the uptake from the community, and the Artists' Society of Phillip Island have requested to make it a regular exhibition space," he said.

"We've had a number of visiting artists as well and we're very open to public use."

As part of stage 2 of the arts wing, the college hopes to add an additional 450 seat auditorium, which could be within the next five years. Mr Corr highlighted the recent award for the building was a great surprise and credit to TS Constructions and the architects, as well as the college's project committee who sourced the funding which was supported by the Federal Government.



A B O V E : Newhaven College's Performing Arts Wing has become a vital asset for the community and the college.

LEFT: Newhaven College students greatly benefited from the new arts wing.

Our Lady Star of the Sea shines after upgrade

IT WAS no surprise to the Our Lady Star of the Sea school community that TS Constructions won the award for "Commercial Buildings \$3-\$6 million" at the 2023 South East Master Builders Victoria Regional Building Awards.

Principal Catherine Blackford said they are so proud of their magnificent school with its many interesting aspects and varied learning spaces.

The design of the building and grounds allows for inside and outside learning, an inside and an outside kitchen, a multi-functional library space, undercover spaces, storage sheds, a synthetic oval and running track, reflection areas, artwork from local artists as well as magnificent playground areas.

"Sustainability was also a priority for the school and as part of the build we were able to add solar panels and water tanks.

"The workmanship, professionalism, and ease with which T.S Construction worked with the school were commendable. This is stage one and two of our Master Plan and we look forward to working with them as we continue to bring the Master Plan to life."

For more information on Our Lady Star of the Sea visit olsscows.catholic.edu.au.



TS Constructions project at Our Lady Star of the Sea was recognised in the South East Master Builders Victoria Regional Building Awards for Commercial Buildings \$3-\$6M category.

Water bills to increase by more than \$100

THE Essential Services Commission has released its final decision on South Gippsland Water's five-year pricing plan, with typical bills in 2023-24 set to increase by \$111.

This means typical annual water and sewerage bills for residential owner occupier customers will increase 9.6 per cent – from \$1154 to \$1265 – from July 1, 2023.

For the remaining four years to 2028, typical annual water and sewerage prices for residential customers will increase by an average of 3.2 per cent per year, before inflation.

The final decision follows a detailed proposal by South Gippsland Water which was carefully scrutinised by the commission, and consultation with customers and the community on a draft decision released in March.

The commission's director of pricing Marcus Crudden says South Gippsland Water recognises the impact the price change will have on customers, and has

initiatives in place to support customers experiencing vulnerability, including expanding eligibility for its customer support program, and introducing a co-payment scheme to help re-engage with customers with outstanding payments and help them reduce debt.

In Victoria, water businesses must provide payment assistance to households and small businesses.

Customers who are experiencing difficulty with their water bills may be eligible for payment plans or assistance with applications for utility relief grants and other concessions.

In approving the plan, the commission considered South Gippsland Water's price submission, and its responses to queries and the draft decision; consultants' reports; written submissions from interested parties; and the views of participants in the public forum held on April 28.

Issues raised during the forum included wastewater and treatment plants, the

availability and use of different water supplies, and South Gippsland Water's performance reporting.

South Gippsland Water will invest \$136 million in capital works over the five-year pricing period, reflecting key outcomes that were informed by customer priorities gathered through broad engagement with customers and community groups.

These outcomes include continuing to provide reliable and safe drinking water and sewerage services; service communities in a socially responsible and environmentally sustainable manner; and will strive to balance affordability, value-for-money, and fairness. South Gippsland Water will also be targeting net zero emissions by 2035.

The Essential Services Commission thanks customers and stakeholders for their submissions and participation in the price review process, including with South Gippsland Water as it prepared its proposal.

Highest property price rises

NEW data from PropTrack has revealed property prices in San Remo and Venus Bay have doubled over a three year period.

The data details the Melbourne and regional Victoria suburbs where prices have doubled the quickest, with some suburbs doubling in value in just over a year.

Home prices fell throughout much of last year, but strong demand and limited stock has seen five months of price gains this year.

Wy Yung in the Latrobe Gippsland region saw the speediest growth in the state, with median house prices jumping 101% to \$840,000 in just 2 years.

Other top Victorian suburbs include:

- San Remo – saw house prices double in 30 months (\$579,500 median to \$1,165,000)

- Red Hill – saw house prices double in 30 months

- Dinner Plain – saw house prices double in 34 months

While Venus Bay saw prices rise from a median of \$342,500 to \$687,000.

• FAITH FACTOR

What is forgiveness?

[Father Darren Howie](#)
[Parish Priest](#)
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THE example of forgiveness set by Christ has allowed countless millions, both sinners and those sinned against to move on with their lives. Think of the parable of the prodigal son, and the prayer Jesus taught us "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."

In Danny and Leila Abdalla who forgave the drunk driver who killed three of their children we have an amazing story of forgiveness.

Christian forgiveness enables people to move on. If you have been hurt by a narcissist, somebody incapable of self-reflection, they will want you to carry the burden of their guilt.

They will want to convince you and others that the problem lies with you because in their minds they are incapable of doing anything wrong.

Unrepentant narcissists and people who cannot admit they have done wrong give mercy and forgiveness a bad name.

They misconstrue Jesus' words on the Cross: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do" as an excuse to continue. They misuse Jesus' words in Matthew 18:22 about forgiveness: "I do not say, even seven times, but seventy-seven times," to continue on their way. If they believe they have done nothing wrong, why change?

It is obvious from Jesus' hyperbolic words in Matthew 18: 6 about tying a millstone that Jesus does not want people to be crippled and enchained for life.

The parable of the unmerciful servant ends with Jesus' words in Matthew 18:32-33: "You wicked servant, I forgave you all your debt, because you pleaded with me. Therefore, should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant just as I also had compassion on you?"

In Matthew 18:17 Jesus says: And if he will not listen to them, tell the Church. But if he will not listen to the Church, let him be to you like the pagan and the tax collector.

In forgiving people, we let go of the hurt and the damage they have caused so we don't have to carry it around as a burden for the rest of our lives.

Forgiving people doesn't exclude taking civil and criminal action against people who have wronged us, to stop inappropriate behaviour and gain justice.

Huge achievement for Inverloch based builders

BAYBUILT Homes is a family run building company in Inverloch and won big taking out Best Custom Home \$400,000-\$500,000 for their project at 6 Cassina Street, Inverloch, at the 2023 South East Master Builders Victoria Regional Building Awards.

They also received a special commendation for a project at Middle Tarwin.

The design incorporated two major elements at 6 Cassina Street, the first making the most of the northern sunlight into the courtyard and living/ kitchen.

By placing the living room at the back of the house and using a silicon roof, the team have been able to maximise the amount of natural light that comes into the house.

The second was that the entire house connected with the courtyard and pool, at the rear of the property.

The entry, hallway, rumpus, kitchen and living are all connected to the courtyard, which give you the feeling you are always connected to the outside.

The waffle pod slab is great for thermal mass and retaining the heat from the sun, so you don't need to use as much mechanical heating and cooling.

The north facing living area and kitchen stays at a nice constant temperature all year round.

Both Emma and Darcy (owners) were very involved in the build and design process making changes as they needed on design, fixtures and fittings to get the end product they were after.

After 12 years as a carpenter and then residential and commercial project manager, director Bill Blundy started Baybuilt Homes in 2015 with the vision of working with clients and trades on designs, renovations, or new homes, built for families of every shape and size.

They have grown the business to now employ five qualified carpenters and two apprentices. A large portion of their work is mid-price range custom homes.



Baybuilt Homes received a special commendation for a project at Middle Tarwin.



Baybuilt Homes was awarded Best Custom Home \$400,000-\$500,000 for 6 Cassina Street, Inverloch.



The 2023 awards saw Baybuilt Homes commended for their work on a house in Middle Tarwin.



The team maximised the amount of natural light that comes into the Inverloch property.



The design for 6 Cassina Street makes the most of the northern sunlight into the courtyard and living/ kitchen.



Winner
Best Custom Home \$400,000 - \$500,000
- Inverloch

Special Commendation
Best Custom Home \$600,000 - \$800,000
- Middle Tarwin







TS Constructions were awarded the title of 2023 Regional Commercial Builder of the Year, South East for the Newhaven College Performing Arts Centre.



Our Lady Star of the Sea was recognised by the MBAV in the category of Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$3M-\$6M.

Delivering excellence to benefit the community

TS CONSTRUCTIONS moto is 'Shaping the Built Environment'. A drive around Bass Coast will easily validate this claim, with many significant buildings standing as testament to their longevity and skill as the premier builders of the region.

Ranging from schools, medical facilities, council buildings, commercial facilities, through to high performance and architecturally significant residential homes, TS Constructions possesses a unique combination of construction and management skills that delivers exceptional outcomes for their clients.

Their latest success can be seen standing proud on the hill of Newhaven College – the newly completed Performing Arts Centre (PAC).

Designed to be a modern feature building located at the front of the site, and prominent to all who pass the location, the centre features a contemporary and striking facade that houses a state-of-the-art performing arts facility. Specific highlights of the building are the excellent acoustics, the modern external design that uses a range of architecturally significant materials, and cutting-edge technical

specifications that are integrated seamlessly into the building.

The design complements and improves the current buildings at the school and enhances the coastal environment of the Newhaven College.

The facility has been embraced by the school and the community for a range of events and has not disappointed the performers or audience.

The project was challenging, with a vast team of trades working in an operational school environment. Shaun Wood, the site supervisor, masterfully managed the intricacies of the project with diligence and good humour, ensuring the finished product met the highest standards.

Supported by a skilled team of builders, administrators, and sub contracted trades, the project was delivered in a manner that will ensure the school community can perform and attend events in a building that reflects the artistry of the performers. The Newhaven College PAC was recognised by the Master Builders Association of Victoria by being awarded both the Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings over \$6M, as

well as the coveted Regional Commercial Builder of the Year.

Driving further onto the island, the Catholic primary school Our Lady Star of the Sea (OLSOS) Stage 2, was another successful project by TS Constructions that was recognised by the MBAV in the category of Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$3M-\$6M.

A seamless extension to Stage 1, also delivered by TS Constructions, it consisted of four new classrooms, a large general learning space and two breakout rooms for specialist teaching, with a lift.

Externally, an engineered roof structure was installed over the hardcourt area, and the carpark and the front entry were extended, which included the installation of an automatic sliding gate and rammed earth walls. Extensive landscaping which included a large camp kitchen, Bio basin, sensory gardens, a synthetic turf playfield and new play equipment.

The project manager for OLSOS Mal Lindsay, and site supervisor Jason Banister, delivered this exceptional project in a professional and safe manner. Again, the challenge of operating in a working

school environment and maintaining an exceptionally safe work site while progressing works in a prompt and effective manner were achieved.

TS Constructions have been delivering exceptional buildings and homes in the region for almost 30 years. They have consistently been recognised by the MBAV for their work at annual awards, winning the prestigious Commercial Builder of the Year award numerous times, as well as having individual projects consistently recognised for excellence in both commercial and domestic categories.

Recognition by the peak body for building in Victoria is an independent confirmation that what they do is exceptional.

Their success is based on building real and sustainable relationships with stakeholders. Clients return to TS Constructions year after year for new and additional stages of works. Their team, both in house and subcontracted, have long standing work history with the company.

To learn more about what TS Constructions can do for your next project, visit their website at www.tsconstructions.com.au, or phone them on 5672 2466.

2023 MBV Regional Commercial Builder of the Year

NEWHAVEN COLLEGE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE



Commercial Buildings \$3M-\$6M
- Our Lady Star of the Sea School, Cowes



Commercial Buildings over \$6M
- Newhaven College Performing Arts Centre, Rhyll

Setting new standards in excellence and design

VIRTUE Homes had many reasons to celebrate at the recent 2023 Master Builders Victoria Regional Building Awards - South East. This event showcases exceptional craftsmanship and standards of excellence in the residential and commercial construction sectors throughout South East Victoria.

The Windsor Display home in Traralgon took away the title of Best Display Home Over \$500,000.

The Windsor design began with Virtue Homes identifying a need for large ranch-style homes to meet the demand from customers interested in rural properties post-COVID, which was an untapped market in the region.

To achieve the desired ambiance, the team at Virtue Homes incorporated warmer tones, moodier furnishings, and carefully curated liveable areas throughout the home.

The farm-style home features a large kitchen, generous bedrooms, cosy fireplaces and a mudroom ensuring functionality and convenience for homeowners, especially in rural settings.

Furthermore, protected outdoor living areas were strategically designed to shield occupants from the elements and allow for enjoyable outdoor experiences.

The use of different materials and finishes in the Windsor display home was carefully considered to showcase innovative ideas and display the exemplary craftsmanship of Virtue Homes.

Equally deserving of praise is the Kingston 33 display home, which secured the well-deserved award of Best Display Home \$350,000 - \$500,000.

This recognition highlights Virtue Homes' ability to deliver outstanding craftsmanship and design excellence across a range of price points.

Virtue Homes' Kingston Display home showcases their commitment to providing high-quality standard inclusions without the need for upgrades.

The design of this home was meticulously planned to be versatile and adaptable, catering to a wide range of occupants, including families, professionals, or retirees.

Careful consideration was given to every detail, resulting in a thoughtfully designed layout that maximises practicality and functionality.

The Kingston Display home offers a variety of practical spaces to meet the needs of its residents. For those seeking a quiet retreat or a space for entertainment, a dedicated quiet room or theatre is provided.

Ample walk-in storage ensures that belongings can be neatly organised, while a separate kids wing and living space promote privacy and independence within



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the home.

One notable aspect of the Kingston Display home is its adaptability to different regional residential blocks.

Great attention was paid to ensuring that the home's frontage is suitable for most residential properties with minimal modifications.

This ensures that prospective home-

owners have the flexibility to build their dream home on various types of land, without compromising on the aesthetic appeal and functionality of the design.

For those seeking inspiration for their dream home, the award-winning homes are open for viewing at the Virtue Homes Traralgon Display Village, conveniently located at 2-8 Broadway

Boulevard, Traralgon.

Visitors can explore these exceptional properties from Wednesday to Sunday, between 11 am and 4 pm. Prepare to be inspired and captivated by the sheer beauty and craftsmanship that awaits you. Virtue Homes are redefining what it means to build a home, and their dedication to excellence is truly unparalleled.



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2023 REGIONAL BUILDING AWARDS





THE KINGSTON
Winner of the Best Display Home \$350,000—\$500,000



THE WINDSOR
Winner of the Best Display Home Over \$500,000



Troy Harris onstage receiving the first of their two awards at the 2023 Regional Building Awards South East.



Harris Build were awarded Best Sustainable Home for the Cape Woolamai Project.



Panorama Drive – Cape Woolamai Project was designed by Adapt Design Group who specialise in sustainable design.

Award winning custom and sustainable homes

HARRIS Build are specialist builders who are passionate about contemporary custom homes, finished to a high-quality with functionality and sustainability in mind, and their quality homes have been recognised in the 2023 Master Builders Victoria Regional Building Awards in South East.

Harris Build curate finely crafted and environmentally friendly homes on the Bass Coast and in the South Gippsland area and were awarded Best Custom Home in the \$300,000-\$400,000 category, for their Cape Paterson Spinifex Project and Best Sustainable Home for their Cape Woolamai Project.

From the outset, Harris Build work closely with each client to allow them to realise their vision which they can then create and bring to life, allowing each client the best building experience possible, through creativity, commitment, and innovation.

Director Troy Harris said they would like to thank the MBV for hosting the night and their valued trades, suppliers and employees for their ongoing support and efforts.

“We are especially proud to have won the sustainable award. We have now won multiple awards in both the sustainable category and best custom home category.”

The Best Custom Spinifex Project is the future of affordable sustainable housing with a 7.6 Star rating.

Located in Cape Paterson, Spinifex is small but mighty, just 164m2 in size, but cleverly designed so it is open, airy, and complete with ample storage. Complete with two bedrooms, two bathrooms, generous study and open plan living.

It has been fitted with 3.7kw solar system, an electric vehicle charging point and an impressive 10,000Ltrs of underground water storage.

The Spinifex is a low maintenance home that combines functional spaces within a small footprint.

Spinifex interacts with its environment, capturing solar gains with carefully positioned passive solar design, working to passively heat and cool the home.

“The key to success at Spinifex is the small finishing details of all the beautiful materials that were selected. We pride ourselves on the finished product and

detail that goes into our work. We put enormous trust in our trades to achieve the required outcome,” said Troy.

This home is Designed by Adapt Designs, a local designer in Cape Paterson. The Cape Development itself has comprehensive design guidelines, with mandatory minimum environmental standards to adhere to.

These standards are far above anything else in the area.

“This home has been designed and executed to adhere and in cases exceed these guidelines.”

The Cape Woolamai Project that was awarded Best Sustainable Home was designed and built for a professional couple from Melbourne, who purchased a small treed site adjacent to the beach to spend the weekends in a tranquil and relaxing beach side setting.

“The design brief stipulated a low maintenance holiday home that combined functional spaces within a small footprint and to be as sustainable as possible.

“Aesthetically the home needed to engage with the surrounding coastal landscape, utilising the mature natives

already existing on the site.”

Panorama Drive is a project that interacts with its environment, capturing solar gains with carefully positioned passive solar design, working to passively heat and cool the home. The colour palette and material textures speak to the natural surroundings, tying the project into the rich Cape Woolamai Biodiversity.

“This home has been designed to be as sustainable as possible within budget and location, including optimal orientation for passive solar design, thermally broken double glazing, air tightness, very high insulation levels and thermal mass walls, which all contribute to the energy efficiency of this home.

“Meaning that the home will sit at a stable and comfortable temperature all year round, with minimal heating and cooling required, even when outside temperatures are extreme.”

Material selection for the Cape Woolamai project was based on the intention to be highly efficient, low maintenance, locally (Australian) sourced, durable enough to last in such close proximity to the ocean.



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The Fish Creek Catholic Church looks a picture after its stunning restoration by SJ Vuillermin Master Builders.



The charming interior of the restored Fish Creek Catholic Church.

Restored Church takes out top award

THE SPECTACULAR restoration of Fish Creek Catholic Church recently earned Sandy Point business SJ Vuillermin Master Builders a commercial award from Master Builders Victoria for projects under \$1 million.

For builder Steve Vuillermin, restoring the condemned and unsafe Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Fish Creek's second oldest building, to its former glory and enabling it to again host services held personal significance.

Both he and his father were baptised there, with Steve's parents having married in the church.

He has been building for over 30 years, with SJ Vuillermin having previously won Master Builders awards for residential projects.

The church restoration contrasted with the usual types of buildings included in the commercial category such as medical centres, schools, office buildings and libraries.

Company allrounder and Steve's wife, Megan Vuillermin, outlined the extensive works undertaken to resurrect the loved

but dilapidated church.

"We had steel structures made and they were craned in and lowered down on top of the building and we had to move the church until it was straight and lock it in," Megan said.

The framework remains in place but has been painted and blends into the building.

Before work began, there were gaps between the walls and ceilings of the church large enough to see daylight.

Leadlight windows were removed prior to other work beginning.

They were repaired, with the leadlight housed in new structures.

"All the cladding was removed because there were holes in it and it was in poor condition, so the whole building was re-clad and painted," Megan said.

The church also received a new roof.

Megan aptly described the project as "a major job".

Locals took an active interest throughout the restoration.

"It felt like a wonderful community project; I do our Facebook page and throughout the entire build I posted updates of

what stage we were at," Megan said.

The Vuillermins are justifiably proud of the finished restoration and the new life it has given to Fish Creek Catholic Church.

"It just looks beautiful now and the congregation are so happy; it won't fall over again and it's there forever," Megan declared.

Nadia Stefani, one of the members of the congregation said the church was out of action for five years, with services usually held in a separate small meeting room and Fish Creek's Union Church kindly making its building available for occasions such as Christmas and Easter.

She expressed her delight at the Vuillermins' restoration of the Catholic Church and having it returned to the congregation.

"It's been overwhelming and awesome because we thought we weren't going to have a church," Nadia said, adding that everyone is ecstatic and thankful.

She loves being able to again enjoy the church's gothic style timber work and the warm and welcoming feeling one gets entering the building.

Megan said the Master Builders awards



Megan and Steve Vuillermin with the acknowledgement of their Master Builders Victoria award.

night at Lardner Park was a terrific event and a great opportunity to celebrate with other award winners, with this year's regional winner being someone Steve went to trade school with.

WINNER 2023 MBV South East Regional Commercial Building under \$1M - Fish Creek Catholic Church, Fish Creek



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Roseleigh Homes received the Best Custom Home award for 19 Heartwell Street, Warragul.



Roseleigh Homes construction manager Craig Chugg (right) with Matt Perrott of BuildPass, one of the night's sponsors, proudly holding their award for Best Custom Home \$600,000-\$800,000.

Stunning homes and innovation

ROSELEIGH Homes was proud to take out two awards for Best Custom Home at the 2023 South East Master Builders Victoria Regional Building Awards. The company received the award for Best Custom Home \$500,000-\$600,000 and \$600,000-\$800,000 (projects Warragul based). Their project 19 Heartwell Street, Warragul, was a contemporary four-bedroom home that maximises its street appeal with a complementary combination of exterior finishes and design components. The home is a modern take on the traditional pitched roof, with a double gable roof line, evoking a sense of two pavilions, reinforcing the sleek contemporary design of the home and reshaping age-old

design guidelines for a gable roof profile. Sitting on a larger sized block, the two-storey design maximises valuable outdoor space for family living. While their other project at 39 Kent Street, Warragul, showcased a contemporary design and construction. The light filled home was carefully designed to maximise space required for family living, given the 333m2 block upon which it sits. The three-bedroom home comprises a light filled open plan kitchen, with oversized island bench, dining highlighted by feature skylights above and elegant living area which provides a sophisticated feel. Features of the home include unique curved walls to the entry, dual curved

walls in the Master Bedroom and ensuite shower recess and a curved ceiling to the first floor. The outdoor living spaces include upstairs balcony under roofline, fibreglass swimming pool with seamless concrete pool surround with hidden drainage channels, reinforcing the streamlined, modern finish of the home. Designed by Roseleigh Homes' chief designer and general manager, Brad Chugg, as his family home, the focus of the project was to create a modern, contemporary family home with one of the main design considerations to maximise the use of the small lot, located in a prime location of Warragul. "Roseleigh Homes are honoured to have been recognised for their work by Master

Builders Victoria and are proud to be one of Gippsland's most awarded home builders. The receiving of these awards is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the Roseleigh Homes team of staff and highly skilled subcontractors," Brad said. "Whilst the team at Roseleigh Homes value being award winning builders, the greater reward is working closely with our clients to see their vision for their home come to life and handing over high-quality homes to happy owners. Our clients have great peace of mind that Roseleigh Homes have been building homes in Gippsland, including South Gippsland, for over 40 years and that they stand by and are proud of the quality of their homes."

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2023 MBV South East Best Custom Home \$600k to \$800k

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2023 MBV South East Best Custom Home \$500k to \$600k

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Superb design for lifestyle living

THIS contemporary townhouse conveniently located at 31 Billson Street, Wonthaggi has been designed for a carefree and low maintenance lifestyle.

Beautifully finished inside and out, this one year old, three bedroom, custom built home has set a new standard of modern living.

Walk inside and be totally impressed with the well designed floorplan.

The open plan living and dining presents style with tasteful neutral tones, and a sun filled space complemented by chic timber and carpet flooring.

With a convenient built in study nook, double glazed windows and the great benefits of a reverse split system unit, there is no comprise on features.

A central and stylish kitchen includes stone bench tops, quality stainless steel appliances and a spacious open walk in pantry.

Extend your entertaining with the undercover alfresco area and enjoy your privacy in the fully fenced courtyard.

The main bedroom is positioned at the front with a spacious walk in robe and a luxurious ensuite show-

casing a 1200mm shower and stone vanity benchtop.

The other two bedrooms, both with built in robes, are serviced by a stunning bathroom with bath, stone vanity bench, and a separate powder room.

Additional features include internal access from the double car garage, ample storage, stone benchtops in the spacious laundry, low-maintenance outdoor living and exposed aggregate driveway.

Situated perfectly on the south side of Wonthaggi, a stone's throw to the shopping precinct, local schools, medical amenities and trendy cafes.

Cape Paterson's sandy beaches and many walking trails are an easy 5 minute drive.

For full details or to book your private inspection, please contact Ray White Wonthaggi on 56721 833.

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31 Billson Street,
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Luxury living in Inverloch

LOCATED only moments from the blue waters of Anderson Inlet, this highly desirable address offers luxurious living as a family or holiday home within a short walk to the beach.

Light filled, bright and airy with access to two decks, both with water views (upstairs deck has fabulous views).

Featuring three bedrooms, main living area open plan with polished hardwood floors, two bathrooms and a secure north facing courtyard.

Essentially this property has all that you may require. Great water views and within easy walking distance to the beach and town centre.

- Three levels
- Two decks - water views
- Secure north facing courtyard
- Three bedrooms
- Double garage
- Reverse cycle air conditioning



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Neat and sweet in Wonthaggi

THIS delightful residence offers an abundance of natural light, three bedrooms, and a range of attractive features. This property has undergone some renovations, ensuring a modern and refreshed interior that is sure to impress.

Step inside to discover a light-filled living space that creates a warm and inviting atmosphere. The floating floors further enhance the aesthetic appeal, offering both style and easy maintenance.

The three bedrooms in this home provide comfortable and peaceful retreats. Each room is spacious, allowing for ample storage. Whether it's for family members or guests, these bedrooms offer a serene environment for relaxation and rest.

The bathroom has been tastefully renovated, featuring modern fixtures and finishes that add a touch of luxury to your daily routine. With its updated design and functionality, this bathroom provides a delightful space to unwind.

The kitchen is another highlight of this property, showcasing contemporary updates and a practical layout. The updated kitchen features sleek cabinetry, quality appliances, and ample counter space, making it a pleasure to cook and entertain.

For year-round comfort, a split system air conditioning unit has been installed, providing efficient heating and cooling throughout the

home. This ensures that you can maintain a pleasant indoor climate regardless of the season.

Step outside to the undercover outdoor area, which offers a perfect space for entertaining and enjoying the outdoors. This area provides shelter from the elements, allowing you to host gatherings or simply relax with family and friends in a comfortable alfresco setting.

The property also includes a double garage and a carport, providing ample parking space for vehicles and additional storage. This convenience ensures that you have plenty of room for your cars, bikes, or other recreational equipment.

Located on a no-through road, the property enjoys a quiet and peaceful setting, reducing traffic and creating a sense of tranquillity. The 649m² low-maintenance block adds to the appeal, offering a manageable outdoor space that requires minimal upkeep.

Contact Wonthaggi office on 56721911 to inspect.

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19 Henry Street,
Wonthaggi
For Sale \$559,000
Agent
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Wonthaggi office
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Environmentally friendly home, walking distance to shops and foreshore

ALEX Scott & Staff are proud to welcome you into this energy efficient, single level home with full double glazed windows and solar panels.

Leave the car in the garage as the property is located only a short 60-metre walk to the Grantville shopping strip - Including newsagents, chemist, bank, cafes and only a little further walk to the foreshore, beach and jetty.

Surrounded by established gardens, this beautifully presented residence is an idyllic low maintenance, perfectly located, lifestyle opportunity.

Featuring quality fixtures and fittings throughout, timber floorboards and a lovely garden outlook, the home's immaculately presented interior comprises of a king size master bedroom with split system, walk in robe and ensuite, a large study or home office with dual entry and storage, the first living area is the relaxing Lounge room with garden outlook and skylight for increased natural lighting.

The spacious open-plan kitchen includes large stone bench tops, electric cooktop and dishwasher. Adjoining the kitchen is the family and dining area with sliding doors out into the covered Alfresco which provides the perfect space

to entertain family and friends.

Comfort is provided by a reverse cycle heating and air conditioner.

Rounding out the home are two more bedrooms, a family size bathroom, separate toilet and a large laundry with excellent storage.

More features:

- Double glazed windows throughout.
- 5.5kw solar system for reduced electricity costs.
- Polished Tasmanian oak solid timber floorboards.
- Quality carpets in all bedrooms and study.
- Fully fenced yard for children and pets to play safely.
- Double garage with remote roller door, front and rear.
- Hard wired security cameras.
- Side gates for extra parking.

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7 Portview Avenue,
Grantville
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<div>LEONGATHA</div> <div><div>PRICE REDUCTION</div></div> <div>10 Roughead Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom• Super cute cottage• Low maintenance, close to CBD<div>\$399,000</div><div>Contact: Leongatha Office</div></div>	<div>KORUMBURRA</div> <div></div> <div>2/11 Lower Gordon Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 bedroom unit, great condition, R/C air con• Walk through bathroom to master• Single LU garage, deck with awning<div>\$395,000</div><div>Contact: Korumburra Office</div></div>	<div>RHYLL</div> <div></div> <div>3/16 Beach Road</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two storey townhouse• Short stroll to beach• 3 bed/2 bath/2 car<div>\$840,000 TO \$850,000</div><div>Contact: Cowes Office</div></div>	<div>WONTHAGGI</div> <div></div> <div>Unit 1 / 20 Cameron Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attractive front unit, walk to town• As new condition, sunny living zone• 2 Double bedrooms, semi ensuite<div>\$555,000</div><div>Contact: Wonthaggi Office</div></div>
<div>LEONGATHA</div> <div></div> <div>40 Shingler Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 bedroom home• 2 bathrooms, 2 living• Great family home<div>\$595,000</div><div>Contact: Leongatha Office</div></div>	<div>KORUMBURRA</div> <div></div> <div>7 Swanson Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• First home buyer or Investor• 3 Bedroom/1 Bathroom• Flat Block / Lock-up Garage<div>\$425,000</div><div>Contact: Korumburra Office</div></div>	<div>SURF BEACH</div> <div></div> <div>15 Alvina Crescent</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Located 400m from Surf Beach• Large 691m2 (approx) allotment• 3 bed/1 bath<div>\$720,000 TO \$760,000</div><div>Contact: Cowes Office</div></div>	<div>WONTHAGGI</div> <div></div> <div>21 Apple Berry Rise</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brand new , quality built residence• Popular Nth Wonthaggi area• 4 bedroom, 2 Living, 2 Bathrooms<div>\$709,000</div><div>Contact: Wonthaggi Office</div></div>
<div>LEONGATHA</div> <div><div>PRICE REDUCTION</div></div> <div>6A Warralong Court</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1260m² block in town• Quiet court location• Access from two courts<div>\$250,000</div><div>Contact: Leongatha Office</div></div>	<div>KORUMBURRA</div> <div></div> <div>9 Prudence Close</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3bdrm home on 1,100m2 block• Views, 2 living areas, deck• Dble garage + room for shed<div>\$779,000 - \$799,000</div><div>Contact: Korumburra Office</div></div>	<div>VENTNOR</div> <div></div> <div>44 Lyall Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short walk to Ventnor Beach• 800m2 (approx) with established gardens• 2 bed/1 bath<div>\$750,000</div><div>Contact: Cowes Office</div></div>	<div>WONTHAGGI</div> <div></div> <div>30 Domain Drive</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• As new family residence in top spot• Corner location in quality area• Beautifully presented and established.<div>\$749,000</div><div>Contact: Wonthaggi Office</div></div>
<div>LEONGATHA</div> <div></div> <div>22 Church Street</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stunning home close to CBD• 2 levels with elevator, 3 living rooms• 2 bdr (room for 3rd), study, 2 bath+ pwd rm<div>\$1,250,000</div><div>Contact: Leongatha Office</div></div>	<div>KORUMBURRA</div> <div></div> <div>112 Isabella Boulevard</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stunning, near new 3 bdrm, 2 bath home• Outdoor ent. area, room for van or boat• Stylish design with quality finishes<div>\$779,000 - \$799,000</div><div>Contact: Korumburra Office</div></div>	<div>SAN REMO</div> <div></div> <div>7/6 Sapphire View</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open plan kitchen & living• Private balcony with stunning views• 2 bed/1 bath<div>\$385,000 TO \$420,000</div><div>Contact: Cowes Office</div></div>	<div>WONTHAGGI</div> <div></div> <div>50 Broome Crescent</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drop dead gorgeous !• Character filled period home• Full reno, full block with great workshops<div>\$795,000</div><div>Contact: Wonthaggi Office</div></div>

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Dual Living, 99.7-acre country dream

EXPERIENCE country living in the heart of the Strzelecki Ranges with this stunning modern 4-bedroom home, featuring breathtaking panoramic views overlooking rolling foothills. This lovely contemporary home has been designed to make the most of the view while providing ample protection from the weather, making it the perfect retreat for those seeking a tranquil lifestyle.

Upstairs, you will find a spacious open-plan living area with a brand-new gas heater, terrific kitchen, extensive bench space and cupboards, master bedroom, huge laundry and separate office. Step outside onto the undercover deck with a veranda that wraps around the home, providing you with an ideal place to relax and soak up the beautiful surroundings. Downstairs offers additional living space, 2 bedrooms and a bathroom. The 4-car garage with remote controls provides easy and secure internal access to the home.

This property is comprehensively

appointed throughout, featuring quality appliances, double glazed windows in the living and master bedroom, Wormy Chestnut hardwood timber flooring, instant gas hot water, a northerly aspect and ample storage.

The property boasts predominately rolling to undulating country with extensive shelter belts and good carrying capacity with consistent fertiliser history and terrific pastures. The central laneway provides easy access to the 12 main paddocks with water by way of dams to troughs in each paddock. There is excellent shedding which includes 2 hay sheds, an enormous 8-bay - 32m x 12m machinery shed (with 3 bays lock up plus concrete flooring) and undercover stockyards with a loading race, making this property ideal for farming and livestock with the bonus of horse facilities.

Enjoy the perks of a fully self-contained one-bedroom, one-bathroom cottage that is north facing with rural views, providing separate housing for a dependant. The property also

features a horse round yard, 8 horse paddocks, a tree-lined driveway.

Located just one hour's drive from South-East of Melbourne and only 3.8km from the township of Korumburra, this property offers a wonderful lifestyle with rich farming land perfect for fattening cattle. Experience the ultimate in luxury and tranquillity with this exquisite property. Book your inspection today and prepare to be captivated by all that this property has to offer.

Contact Nutrien Harcourts selling agent Matt Redmond on 0418 357 341.

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Agriculture Victoria is asking holiday-makers to help keep the state's agriculture industry safe from biosecurity threats.

Be biosecurity aware these school holidays

AGRICULTURE Victoria is asking school holiday-makers to help keep the state's \$17.5 billion agriculture industry safe from biosecurity threats including pests and diseases.

Executive Director Biosecurity Victoria Katherine Clift said there were many ways the community can be biosecurity aware, including complying with state regulations while travelling.

'Victorians travelling interstate should be aware of border quarantine restrictions around moving plants, fruit and vegetables or risk hefty fines,' Dr Clift said.

'Biosecurity measures such as not bringing fruit and vegetables into the state will help protect Victoria's valuable horticulture industry from exotic pests including Mediterranean fruit fly.

'If you are planning to visit our excellent wineries, don't wander into the vineyards in case you get phylloxera on your footwear and spread it elsewhere - this tiny insect can destroy grapevines and significantly impact our \$170 million wine industry.'

Beach goers can minimise the risk of pests and diseases by following the steps of Check, Clean and Dry - check all vessels,

fishing, diving and surfing equipment and remove anything including water, sand and seaweed. Also, remember to check your catch for signs of disease.

'Clean boats at home or at a commercial carwash. Wash wetsuits, fishing and diving equipment with fresh, soapy water,' Dr Clift said.

'Dry all boating, fishing and diving equipment completely before heading out into the water again.' For those making trips to farms, it's essential to comply with Biosecurity Management Plans and follow biosecurity signage requirements to help prevent spreading pests and disease. 'When you're planning to visit a farming property, call ahead to see if there are any specific biosecurity requirements or potential issues,' Dr Clift said.

'When you arrive, sign the visitor record book, wash and disinfect your footwear and arrange to meet your hosts at their house or on a sealed or gravel area away from livestock.'

When it's time to go home, farm visitors should wash their footwear again to avoid carrying pests and diseases to other properties or regions.

'If you're spending a lot of time on farms

- or travelling to multiple properties - our Come Clean, Stay Clean, Go Clean learning module has great tips to help build your biosecurity awareness,' Dr Clift said.

'The short course will only take around 15 minutes of your time, but could save your friends and relatives so much more if you're able to keep them safe from biosecurity threats.

Information and eLearning modules for farm visitors are available via: <https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/biosecurity/animal-diseases/emergency-animal-diseases/information-for-farm-visitors-service-providers>

Future proofing horticulture in a changing climate

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Prepare for drier weather, says VFF

THE Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) is urging farmers and decision makers to prepare for drier conditions as the first seasonal outlook by the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES) points to reduced farm outputs later this season.

VFF President Emma Germano said despite many farmers being well-placed following years of favourable growing conditions, now is the time prepare for the impact of potential drier months ahead.

“By and large, we’ve had incredibly good farming conditions for the past few years here in Victoria, that has resulted in record harvests and outputs.”

“That can’t last forever and many farmers are already preparing for drier times ahead. It’s a difficult balancing act, with farmers juggling skyrocketing input prices and volatile market conditions”, Ms Germano said.

Ms Germano added that long-term thinking was needed by decision makers to ensure the industry is equipped to navigate the inevitable change in forecast weather conditions.



VFF President Emma Germano says now is the time prepare for the impact of potential drier months ahead.

Another quality offering

Report by the SGSAA

AGENTS yarded around 2800 head at last Friday’s VLE Leongatha store sale.

The quality of the yarding was excellent with full lanes of heavy angus feeder steers and some annual drafts of weaner steers and heifers on offer.

All of the major feedlot orders were in attendance and operating with prices holding firm on the current rates.

Weaner steers and heifers attracted good competition from locals as well as a couple of interstate orders in place.

There was only a handful of Xbreds and dairy types which sold at similar rates to previous sales.

Lardner Park Calf Market Report Monday, June 19, 2023

Jersey & Jersey x	\$22 to \$45
Friesian Bulls	\$26 to \$95
Friesian Heifers	\$40 to \$200
Beef Bulls	\$45 to \$270
Beef Heifers	\$32 to \$90
Number of Calves: 193	
Number purchased to rear: 32	

MARKET REPORT

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Leongatha Store Sale on Friday, June 23, 2023

Grown Steers

I Peterson 12 Ang	645kg	\$3.19	\$2060
I Peterson 9 Ang	641kg	\$3.04	\$1950
I Peterson 12 Ang	638kg	\$3.08	\$1970
I Peterson 13 Ang	633kg	\$3.11	\$1970
I Peterson 14 Ang	633kg	\$3.08	\$1950
I Peterson 14 Ang	630kg	\$3.07	\$1940
I Peterson 13 Ang	610kg	\$3.14	\$1920
G Forge 16 Hfd	604kg	\$2.98	\$1800
A Daly 17 Aa/BB	600kg	\$3.21	\$1930
I Peterson 10 Ang	599kg	\$3.13	\$1880
G Fox 14 Ang	598kg	\$3.21	\$1920
P & J Scott 10 Ang	593kg	\$3.18	\$1890
Yeerung Station 17 Ang	590kg	\$3.30	\$1950
Merrijig Ridge 14 Ang	589kg	\$3.22	\$1900
Yannakie Nom. 10 Ang	581kg	\$3.13	\$1820
Yannakie Nom. 11 Ang	577kg	\$3.15	\$1820
Merrijig Ridge 12 Ang	560kg	\$3.25	\$1820
Kama Dean P/L 15 Ang	550kg	\$3.36	\$1850
G Forge 19 Hfd	548kg	\$2.91	\$1600
N Roberts 21 AA/BB	542kg	\$3.46	\$1880
Merrijig Ridge 15 Ang	538kg	\$3.30	\$1780
Yannakie Nom. 10 Ang	530kg	\$3.32	\$1760
Yannakie Nom. 14 Ang	515kg	\$3.55	\$1830
Merrijig Ridge 10 Ang	514kg	\$3.40	\$1750
Alhaurin Pastoral 10 Ang	514kg	\$3.26	\$1680
N Roberts 13 Ang	511kg	\$3.58	\$1830
P & K O’neil 13 Aa/BB	509kg	\$3.53	\$1800
N Roberts 21 Ang	503kg	\$3.57	\$1800
T Lee 10 Ang	499kg	\$3.32	\$1660
Gibson Farm 15 Ang	497kg	\$3.52	\$1750

Oaklands 15 Ang	493kg	\$3.75	\$1850
Gibson Farm 15 Ang	484kg	\$3.65	\$1770
J Kyne 15 Ang	481kg	\$3.57	\$1720
Merrijig Ridge 18 Ang	479kg	\$3.65	\$1750
Merrijig Ridge 18 Ang	468kg	\$3.65	\$1710
I & R Ripper 10 Ang & Red Ang	468kg	\$3.46	\$1620
R & J Edwards 18 Ang	465kg	\$3.56	\$1600
Pc Waite 14 Ang & BB	457kg	\$3.54	\$1620
S Membrey 12 Ang	445kg	\$3.52	\$1570
Merrijig Ridge 18 Ang	436kg	\$3.48	\$1520

Weaner Steers

D & P Whiteley 17 Ang	410kg	\$3.88	\$1590
B Hinson 12 Ang	385kg	\$3.61	\$1390
D & P Whiteley 14 Ang & BB	378kg	\$3.84	\$1450
Mirrabooka 16 Ang	374kg	\$3.74	\$1400
Belgrano P/L 15 Ang	354kg	\$3.95	\$1400
J & L Fiddelaers 20 Ang	348kg	\$3.53	\$1230
Medowra 20 Ang	331kg	\$3.35	\$1110
Belgrano P/L 18 Ang	323kg	\$4.14	\$1340
Medowra 20 Ang	331kg	\$3.35	\$1110
D Jerram 20 Ang	321kg	\$4.08	\$1310
A Gilbert 12 Ang	313kg	\$3.96	\$1240
Medowra 18 Ang	313kg	\$3.54	\$1110
Cloud Creek 16 Ang	312kg	\$3.43	\$1070
Belgrano P/L 16 Ang	309kg	\$4.07	\$1260
J Holt 12 Ang	306kg	\$3.95	\$1210
G & C Hosking 15 Ang	306kg	\$3.72	\$1140
Medowra 22 Ang	296kg	\$3.54	\$1050
Mirrabooka 34 Ang	296kg	\$3.55	\$1050
D & L White 23 AA/BB	292kg	\$4.10	\$1200
Medowra 20 Ang	292kg	\$3.66	\$1070
Belgrano P/L 16 Ang	291kg	\$4.15	\$1210
Medowra 20 Ang	290kg	\$3.58	\$1040
Belgrano P/L 18 Ang	274kg	\$4.12	\$1130
Est M Wight 10 Hfd	274kg	\$3.10	\$850
Mirrabooka 25 Ang	269kg	\$3.12	\$840
G & C Hosking 28 Ang	262kg	\$3.24	\$850
Medowra 22 Ang	260kg	\$3.50	\$910

Whelan’s Run 17 Hfd	258kg	\$3.68	\$950
Medowra 20 Ang	257kg	\$3.77	\$970
Mirrabooka 30 Ang	226kg	\$3.36	\$760
Whelan’s Run 13 Hfd	219kg	\$3.70	\$810

Heifers

A.g Landy 15 Ang	455kg	\$3.29	\$1500
Whelan’s Run 10 Hfd	434kg	\$2.90	\$1260
Von Pace 22 Ang	426kg	\$3.28	\$1400
Von Pace 10 BB	416kg	\$3.27	\$1360
R Barnacle 10 Ang	405kg	\$3.20	\$1300
Von Pace 22 Ang	399kg	\$3.18	\$1270
D & P Whiteley 10 Ang & BB	374kg	\$2.86	\$1070
B Hinson 16 Ang	350kg	\$2.91	\$1020
Mirrabooka 18 Ang	330kg	\$2.12	\$700
Belgrano P/L 14 Ang	326kg	\$3.55	\$1160
J & L Fiddelaers 10 Ang	323kg	\$2.56	\$830
L & J Vale 10 Ang X	318kg	\$2.35	\$750
P Backman 15 Ang & BB	307kg	\$2.44	\$750
P & V Milner 16 Ang	301kg	\$2.99	\$900
Kings Park 19 Ang X	301kg	\$2.49	\$750
Medowra 20 Ang	299kg	\$2.80	\$840
Medowra 21 Ang	287kg	\$2.75	\$790
Walker & Mason 17 Ang	278kg	\$2.62	\$730
Medowra 14 BB	276kg	\$2.64	\$730
G & C Hosking 22 Ang	272kg	\$2.57	\$700
Cloud Creek 16 Ang	270kg	\$2.55	\$690
Mirrabooka 27 Ang	267kg	\$2.58	\$690
Medowra 20 Ang	265kg	\$2.86	\$760
Medowra 24 Ang	256kg	\$2.77	\$710
Medowra 20 Ang	254kg	\$2.87	\$730
Mirrabooka 33 Ang	244kg	\$2.50	\$610
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Victoria has a large deer population, predominantly made up of Sambar, Fallow and Red Deer. Photo: GMA

Feral deer an ongoing issue

THE long overdue release of Deer Control Plans for east and west Victoria recognise the devastating impacts feral deer are having on local environments, economies and communities.

“Deer were introduced into Victoria for game hunting between 1860 and 1880. Feral deer have since been allowed to increase in population and spread for the interests of some recreational hunters. There are now estimated to be more than a million feral deer covering nearly 40 per

cent of the state. Until recently there has been no control in place to limit the population or manage their impact,” said Invasive Species Council deer project officer Peter Jacobs.

“It is a sad indictment of invasive animal management in Victoria that we have watched the impact of invasive feral deer grow over 150 years and waited for the species to become a major pest before action is taken.

“Recreational deer hunting has clearly failed to control

numbers. Control is now a necessary but significant cost to the community.

“The Invasive Species Council welcomes the investment by the Victorian government in feral deer control and the release of these plans to strategically guide that investment over the next 5 years. But this is just the first step in addressing the devastating impact of feral deer across the state,” said Mr Jacobs.

“The protected status of feral deer must also be removed.

“It is inexplicable that the government now finally recognises the impacts of feral deer and is investing in their control, yet keep deer a protected species under Victoria’s Wildlife Act for game purposes which hinders their control.

“The Invasive Species Council calls on the Victorian government to take the opportunity in the current review of the Wildlife Act to remove the protected status of deer and declare them a pest animal which they have clearly become,” said Mr Jacobs.

Help shape the future of invasive pest and weed management

COMMUNITY members with a keen interest in protecting Victoria’s \$17.5 billion agriculture industry from invasive pests and weeds are invited to nominate for a new statewide advisory board. Biosecurity Victoria Executive Director Katherine Clift said the Victorian Invasive Pests Advisory Board will help shape the state’s strategic direction on invasive pest management activities.

Invasive pests and weeds degrade the environment, damage valuable agricultural land and livestock, and impact cultural sites of significance to First Nations peoples.

The board will provide strategic advice on community grant programs and initiatives under the Victorian Government’s \$5 million commitment to support the expansion of community-led action to manage pests and weeds of greatest concern to rural landowners, and that are critical in protecting Victoria from emerging biosecurity threats.

As part of Victoria’s Agriculture Strategy, the Victorian Government is committed to ensuring Victorian agriculture is well-placed to respond to pests, weeds and disease, protecting and enhancing the future of the sector.

Nominate for the Victorian Invasive Pests Advisory Board member by July 2 2023 via: <https://www.boards.vic.gov.au/search-board-vacancies/victorian-invasive-pests-advisory-board-community-board-member-vgb/vipa2023>



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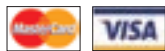
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Funding creates full time position

MIRBOO North Secondary school welcomed their valuable chaplain, Norm de Silva back.

Recently, \$10,000 from the communities Chaplaincy and Well-being fund was given to the employing organisation of the current chaplain, so he could extend his hours and continue his valuable work in a full-time capacity.

Mr de Silva had previously been working with both the primary and secondary schools, however there was a hiatus with the secondary school, so work had been predominantly carried out with the primary school only.

This extra funding has meant that Mr de Silva has been working again, with students, parents and staff at the Mirboo North Secondary College as well.

Paula Calafiore, a teacher at the primary school and long time committee member has seen first hand the benefit that Mr de Silva provides to the children. She has also seen the need grow significantly, with about 97 out of 330 children meeting with the chaplain, from the primary school alone.

"The amount of kids who seek out the chaplain has just grown. The kids will actually seek him out and they see him as someone who is honest, impartial, a great listener, empathetic, all those things you want in someone. They just feel really safe, I think because he has been in the role for 20 years."

Twenty years ago, the Mirboo North Community set up their Chaplaincy and well-being fund for the students, parents and staff of Mirboo North Primary and Secondary schools.

The Mirboo North community see significant value in having a Chaplain at the schools to address anxiety and other mental health challenges, which are on the rise and sought to have an ongoing program.

About 10 years ago, with federal funding for the program being uncertain, the group decided to set up a more secure funding source through local donations.

They did this via the Mirboo North and District Community Association, which receives donations and channels funds as recommended from their advisory committee.

Boat ramp to be revamped at Mahers Landing

MAHERS Landing is gearing up for an upgrade.

Bass Coast Shire Council awarded part one of this tender to Simpson Construction Company Pty Ltd, subject to council receiving a signed funding agreement by Better Boating Victoria, at its June meeting last week.

The value of the contract is \$4,246,240.

Part one of the project includes the construction of a new boat ramp, rock revetment and jetty.

The works are fully funded by Better Boating Victoria, with council handling project delivery.

"There is only - at the moment - a single lane boat ramp, which generally enables launching for smaller vessels up to five metres only, at high tide," Cr Leticia Laing said.

"It's a site that has optimum ability for upgrades. The benefit of the way the upgrade will work is that the existing boat ramp will also be maintained to allow for non-motorised boating crafts to continue to have access to Anderson's Inlet."

Cr Ron Bauer congratulated council on the outcome.

Part two of the project includes an upgrade of the car park and a new toilet block.

During the evaluation, it was determined only part one could be delivered based on tender pricing and available budget from Better Boating Victoria.

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Wanted: 12 writers who like a challenge

INVERLOCH artist John Mutsaers is fascinated by the intersection of the visual and literary arts.

To mark his August exhibition at the Gippsland Performing Arts Centre in Traralgon, curated by Gabriella Duffy of the Latrobe Regional Gallery, he wants to work with writers who will respond to a series of his paintings and drawings, based on his own childhood.

Each writer will be paired with a painting, a drawing and a cue card. John says the cue could be a quote and the connection might not be obvious.

John has set similar challenges in the past... In 2020 he received 35 submissions when he asked Gippsland writers to respond to his exhibition The Infinite Birdcage.

In 2009, he challenged a group of writers to respond to one of his enigmatic paintings, Dressed in Cohen. One writer was moved to write over 10,000 words. "And they were good!" John says. This time he's thinking around 1000 words, more or less.

The drawings will depict the interests of a 12-14-year-old boy of John's era, ie. the mid-1950s. While John grew up in the Netherlands, he says that's not really the point. "It could be set anywhere and be about any boy of that period, real or imagined."

The 12 selected writers will be very much a part of the exhibition, which opens on August 12 and runs until October 15.

The project is being run in conjunction with the Bass Coast Prize for Non-Fiction.

The writers will be invited to attend a creative writers' workshop with a professional writer. A manuscript of the writings, along with John's paintings and drawings, will be submitted to a publisher, giving the authors the prospect of a permanent record of their participation.

Interested in being part of this fascinating project? Email around 250 words of your own creative writing to John Mutsaers at opusjoop1@gmail.com by June 30. If it's an extract from a longer piece, feel free to explain the context.

Kids Teaching Kids

By San Remo Primary School

SAN Remo Primary School have been participating in the Kids Teaching Kids program created by DAL and Earth watch Australia.

This program as the name implies involves students creating an action project within their community to inspire others and make change.

The Kids Teaching Kids action project at San Remo Primary school was to re-invigorate Indigenous Garden, creating a 'Bush Tucker' garden around our learning stone and totem poles.

The students choose to focus on the sustainable development goal of life on land and tie that into the DAL attribute of heritage and cultural significance focusing on the policy domain of Aboriginal cultural heritage.

In doing so, the school partnered up with the Bunurong Land Council who supported in choosing local indigenous plants, creating signage for the garden, picking up plants, teaching students on the different species and planting garden. Last Friday, June 16, we were joined by Shani Blyth and Damien Griffiths from the Bunurong Land Council who helped our students plant local indigenous flora and fauna. Students were able to ask questions on certain species of plants, including what they can be used for and how they will grow.

We were so thankful for the support and knowledge shared throughout the day.

This project wouldn't be possible without the financial support of the DAL Capital Grants Initiative, and Earth watch Australia.

We have been so thankful throughout the process to gain the funding to make a change in our school.



Hannah Eisen is leading the way for women in leadership. Credit: Katey Shearer Photography

Leading the way for women in leadership

AN initiative to support women to become community leaders inspired local volunteer and senior project manager, architect, and interior designer Hannah Eisen to raise her hand and take on the 'Women Leading Locally - Community Leader Fellowship'.

Hannah was driven to participate in the program to represent the Bass Coast community and the women of Phillip Island, and after already being accepted into the diploma of governance, which Hannah thought would be beneficial for her to upskill in managing her professional career and volunteer roles - she took on both courses, valued the teachings, and met ambitious women along the way, driving even more inspiration.

"What many people would see as dry, I really valued. It covered stakeholder and community engagement, risk assessment, auditing, and financials; a great opportunity for candidates who are interested in politics.

"Although I couldn't see myself in a political role, I had just taken on the president role at the Phillip Island Board Riders, the cultural centre project, the Wonthaggi streetscape masterplan, and I had just received the grant to run the 12-week program for women; to empower them through breath work in yoga and surfing."

There didn't seem to be enough hours in a day for Hannah, but somehow, she achieved success from each role she had taken on; continually inspired to help others, Hannah was empowering women in her community through mutual friendship and support.

Gaining connection with people in her community, Hannah had the volunteers of the Phillip Island Board Riders on board to renovate the club and held a 60th celebration of surfing culture.

Through this achievement, not only did the 12-week surfing yoga program develop but it is continuing today, with weekly sessions held in-house at the newly renovated board riders club rooms.

"On the back of the 12-week program, members were crying out for more yoga and breathing techniques on how to check out of their busy minds, so now we run three sessions a week. It was an idea that I didn't think would get legs, but so many people are benefiting from the sessions."

Hannah took part in the fellowship to help give the women in Bass Coast a voice, to raise awareness of the power and strength when you believe in yourself and help bring the community together.



Hannah Eisen making her mark on the mural at the Phillip Island Board Riders Club by Steve Parker.

"The stretching and breathing techniques have been beneficial for the male surfers too, it's good for social interaction because it's held within the club rooms, where everyone can group before or after a surf, and it's a positive step for mental health."

Continually challenging herself, Hannah works within the Phillip Island community every day, and from the fellowship Hannah learnt that 'when you're trying to make a change, it's scary, and you'll always get the 2% of people that don't agree with change - no matter where you are or what it is.'

"For me the first thing was understanding that imposter syndrome is something that I have; that feeling of not being in the right place, which causes nerves, but I learnt that I need to own that, and if I'm passionate enough, then I have the courage to create change, and the fellowship gave me that platform to feel safe."

"I do what I do in the community, because it's not for me, it's for everybody. I'm working for the greater good of the whole community, and that's what I'm passionate about."

The 'Women Leading Locally - Community Leader Fellowship' helped Hannah understand how she can power up her community, have effective leadership as a mentor and inspire those around her.



An old shipping container was transformed into a great work of art under the hand of Cape Woolamai man Julian Warren.

Julian's mural transforms container

AN OLD shipping container was transformed into a great work of art under the hand of Cape Woolamai man Julian Warren.

Commissioned by friends Annie and Rob Stephenson, Julian painted a theme that depicts all that encompasses the couples farm at Wattlebank, just as they requested.

The silhouette of a rooster crowing on top of a trucks cabin, with a tray of flowers is set before mountains that embrace a rising - or setting sun.

The horizontal lines of the sun's rays across the vertical lines of the shipping container bring great movement and aliveness to the mural.

"I like artwork that changes the environment and changes the space that you're in. That's one of the things I liked about doing the rooster because it overlooks their poultry sheds that are on the farm. So, it sort of fits right in with the theme of being a chicken farm," Julian said.

"I usually like to do paintings with people in it and telling a bit of a story, like a narrative style.

"When I was doing it, it actually reminded me of a Japanese flag, it was really strange because you've got the rising sun like in the Japanese flag and it just felt like the flag, and the scale of it as well."

The Stephensons' and Julian met decades ago in Ferntree Gully and while they've lived in different places over the years, they found themselves living close enough for Julian to come to work on a mural.

"Because it was a big painting, it seemed to take forever. Because you're working on tiny little sections and I'd do a four-hour session and I'd go, it doesn't look much different from when I started on it," Julian said.

"I guess I had to have a bit of faith that it would turn out alright in the long run."

Julian spent a total of about 30 hours on the mural, two to four hours at a time.

He had left his regular job teaching art at a Melbourne school, which is how Julian has spent much of his professional life.

Having been influenced by his father who taught him drawing at school and at home, Julian studied at the Canberra School of Art in the early 80s and became an art teacher, for secondary and tertiary students, with short periods in between doing his own art.

While Julian studied sculpture at university, he mainly painted afterwards and undertook a Master of Visual Arts. But he was unable to work due to looking after his two young children following his first wife's death.

He subsequently remarried and moved to England where he completed a PhD in film studies at the University of Exeter.

The family ended up moving back to the Yarra Valley and then to Cape Woolamai two years ago, and up until he became unwell, was still travelling to Melbourne to teach.



Kath Quinert is painting water colours in one of the art cubes in Loch and is inviting people to come and create a small painting out of a tea washes.



Jo Quirk is offering Anh Do inspired portraits with sitters having a chat while having their portrait painted in the art cubes in Loch.

Get your portrait painted in Loch

JO QUIRK is doing an art residency in one of three art cubes installed down by the rail trail in Loch and is offering Anh Do inspired portraits.

Jo draws or and paints local sitters while they chat about a variety of topics.

She decided to use the residency as an opportunity to get to know local women and to find the commonalities and differences between city and country women.

With cue cards to prompt or inspire the sitter to go beyond small talk and delve into deeper and more meaningful topics, Jo looks to draw out

people's expressions to capture the essence of a person in the work.

So far, she has found local women to be more reserved than their city counterparts.

"It's been really interesting; a lot of women have been put out by the questions," Jo said.

The conversations are recorded and a soundtrack with parts of the conversation will accompany the final exhibition of the portraits.

Jo has been a teacher, an art teacher and worked with ceramics for a number of years until she moved with her husband to the South Gippsland region, where she has now

taken up painting.

Using a zorn palette, which consists of only red, black, ochre and white Jo mixes the colours to create good flesh tones and away she goes.

"It might not necessarily be the finest art," Jo said, but if you've got some spare time its worth popping in.

Jo is available for sittings between Wednesdays to Saturdays with some variations until Sunday July 9.

Kath Quinert is painting water colours in the other cube. She is offering tea and paint, where people are invited to create a small painting out of tea, coffee and blackberry tea

washes, which produces softly coloured charming paintings.

Landcare will be in the third cube with an informative display and then all three cubes will rotate artists and change over on Monday July 10.

Lauren Tausend will be knitting a textile arial map of Loch and the surrounds in one, Hollie Nair will use the second cube as an artist in residency and the Loch Primary school will be displaying artwork in the third.

The cubes will be in Loch until Wednesday, July 26 and artwork can be viewed through the windows when the artists are not there.



Nyora Men's shed have created a new produce swap box at the Opportunity Loch's request, for the community to share excess fruit, veggies and other produce from their gardens.

Loch gets a bigger and better produce swap stand

THE LOCH community have got a newer, better and bigger produce swap stand thanks to Opportunity Lochs and Nyora Men's Shed. 'Take what you need. Give what you can', is the sign on the stand, located near the steps at the red door of the Loch Community Post Office. It's a place where people can leave excess produce, fruit and veggies that have been grown in the garden and take home something they don't grow themselves. A seed bank is also planned, and magazines and recipes books are on the shelves, and at the moment eggs and lemons are available. Rosemary Knox from Opportunity Loch hopes the community feels free to check what's on offer, even if at times they don't have much to give. "Sometimes you don't have anything to swap but you just bring something back at a later date, or something like that." The produce swap stand originally started a few years ago and was placed outside Olives, where people could take coffee grounds left over from the cafe. The primary school and the kinder grow fruit and veggies and have been involved and have dropped produce off in the past and used some produce. The volunteers from Opportunity Loch funded the men from Nyora Men's Shed to construct a new stand, as the existing one was old, dilapidated and too small. Alan Laughton, Secretary of the Men's Shed said the stand was constructed with plywood sourced from the Vermont Men's Shed. They get supplied with the offcuts from a company who installs caravan floors and have plenty to spare. The men went to work repurposing the plywood to create the bigger, sturdier and newer stand for the Loch community, however it wasn't all smooth sailing according to Alan. "It's taken us a while. Painting it was the biggest issue, in that someone at some stage had diluted our paint down for spraying on another job, and we tried spraying it but that didn't really cover it, and then we tried to use a paint brush, but being so thin, it just didn't go on. Therefore about five coats of paint on it. So, it should last quite a while." "They've done a lovely job," Rosemary highlighted. "It's there 24/7. I hope the local community embraces it." While there may be some doubts about some of the critters helping themselves to the produce, the Opportunity Loch volunteers will take be around to caretake it.

Educator boosts aged care services

THE RECRUITMENT of a nursing expert with expertise in aged care is enhancing opportunities for staff at Gippsland Southern Health Service (GSHS).

GSHS's new clinical nurse educator working across both acute and aged care, Dr Catherine Chung, brings more than 20 years of experience to the role.

Her work in aged care is particularly important to deliver education specifically targeted to meet Aged Care Standards and support the services offered at Koorooman House, Alchera House and Hillside Lodge.

"The role ensures GSHS is providing clinical support to a range of nurses and also nursing students on clinical placements," Dr Chung said.

"It is vital that we support staff to provide the highest quality of care to our consumers in accordance with the Aged Care Quality Standards.

Staff have embraced the introduction of an aged care educator, with many showing interest in further training in areas such as palliative care.

A registered nurse for 20 years, Dr Chung completed a Bachelor of Nursing at Latrobe University and started her clinical career at St Vincent's Public Hospital before moving to the burns unit at the Alfred Hospital.

Her interest in emergency nursing took her back to St Vincent's for 9 years where she completed a graduate diploma in emergency nursing and a Masters in Advanced Nursing Practice, with an emergency focus.

After working in an ICU in Queensland, Dr Chung returned to Gippsland to work in emergency and as critical care unit educator at Latrobe Regional Hospital before moving to a teaching role for the Bachelor of Nursing Practice at Monash University Churchill Campus, later Federation University.

She also completed a PhD with her thesis investigating patients' experiences of acute deterioration and being cared for during a medical emergency team call.

"My background in acute and emergency care led to an interest in patient safety and the recognition and management of acute deterioration. she said.

"I was fortunate enough to undertake the role of project manager on a government-supported project, testing the clinical impact of First2Act, a web based and face-to-face patient deterioration programs. From that project, I found there was a gap around patient experiences of acute deterioration."

While working with the university, Dr Chung undertook roles such as program coordi-



Nursing expert Dr Catherine Chung joins GSHS and boosts age care service.

nator and clinical placement coordinator of the Bachelor of Nursing.

During COVID, she worked casually on the medical COVID ward at Latrobe Regional Hospital while still working full-time at Federation University.

"What was a real eye opener was the incredible work that nurses did throughout COVID," she said. "It was a very difficult time for health care professionals and patients. COVID positive patients were isolated in rooms by themselves, some dying on their own. Restrictions meant patients had minimal to no family support during their admission. Working clinically during COVID reignited my passion for bed side patient care, which led me to the clinical environment on a permanent basis."

Dr Chung chose Gippsland Southern Health Service because of her desire to work with a new organisation.



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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 27	WEDNESDAY June 28	THURSDAY June 29	FRIDAY June 30	SATURDAY July 1	SUNDAY July 2	MONDAY July 3
▲ 5.30am 1.36m	▲ 6.23am 1.36m	▼ 12.29am 0.63m	▼ 1.12am 0.59m	▼ 2.01am 0.54m	▼ 2.59am 0.48m	▼ 4.03am 0.42m
▼ 11.07am 0.70m	▼ 11.47am 0.78m	▲ 7.24am 1.37m	▲ 8.30am 1.41m	▲ 9.36am 1.47m	▲ 10.42am 1.54m	▲ 11.45am 1.61m
▲ 5.55pm 1.55m	▲ 6.31pm 1.50m	▼ 12.34pm 0.88m	▼ 1.29pm 0.96m	▼ 2.33pm 1.03m	▼ 3.45pm 1.06m	▼ 4.59pm 1.04m
▼ 11.50pm 0.67m		▲ 7.12pm 1.46m	▲ 7.58pm 1.42m	▲ 8.50pm 1.40m	▲ 9.49pm 1.39m	▲ 10.55pm 1.40m

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KORUMBURRA

RESULTS: Tuesday, June 20. No competition.
Thursday, June 22: Stableford: three players. Winner: Barry Kerr (12) 31 points.
Saturday, June 24: Par: 28 players. Sponsor: Steve Osboldstone. A Grade: Barry Kerr (14) 39 points.
B Grade: Mick Belvedere (18) 33 points.
NTPs: first Neil Spargo, seventh Ian Morris and 13th Marty De Leeuw.

Ladies

WELL done to Lynette McIvor, Heather Grist, Karen Sorrell and Shelley Snooks, who played a very lengthy and tight match in the McLaren 4Ball final last Wednesday.
The club congratulates Lynette and Heather, who won on the 19th hole.
The daily event was won by Jenny Blackmore with four down and runner up was Diarne Maskell, seven down.
BDTL went to Kerri Besley and Trudy Olden.
Jenny also had the NTPs on the first and 13th greens.
Saturday's results will be included in next week's report.

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TUESDAY: Stableford.
Winner: Philip Mott 37 points.
Runner up: Mike Sullivan 36 points.
Ball rundown to 34 points.
Nearest the pins: fifth Paul Moore, ninth Darren Grayson, 12th Ian Farrer and 15th John Johnson.
Wednesday: Ladies Stableford.
Winner: Kerrie Davey with 34 points.
Runner up: Di Fraser with 29 points.
Ball rundown to 24 points.
Nearest the pin: 12th Heather Payne.
Thursday Stableford/2BBB Competition: 82 players.
Stableford winner: Roger Parker with 39 points by countback.
Stableford runner up: John Johnson.
Ball rundown to 34 points.
2BBB winners: Laurie Burgess and John Johnson with 47 points.
2BBB runners up: Jason Herbert and Frankie Chiu with 43 points.
Nearest the pins: fifth David Chadwick, ninth Michael Herman, 12th Tony Ambrus and 15th John Johnson.
Saturday Board Event - RD Hall Matchplay Qualifying and Stableford: 160 players.
Congratulations to Phil Conroy and Mitchell Adderley, defeating James Watts and Nick Dryden 4/3 in the RD Hall Matchplay Qualifying round.
Division 1
Winner: Peter Campbell 38 points.
Runner up: Kerrie Davey 37 points by countback.
Third: Chris Tuckwell.
Division 2
Winner: Michael Gee with 40 points.
Runner up: David O'Donnell with 38 points.
Third: Shane Sparks with 37 points.
Division 3

Winner: Kimberly Pellatt with 38 points by countback.
Runner up: Fia Tootoo.
Third: Kevin Curtis with 37 points.
Ball rundown to 33 points.
Nearest the pins: fifth David Marotta, ninth Luke Sparks, 12th Rena Casey and 15th Heather Payne.
Third hole second shot: David Barrie (Div 1) and Cheryl Stockdale (Div 2).
Congratulation to all winners this week.
The usual competitions will be held during the week on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (Midweek Medal) and July Monthly Medal will be played on Saturday.

LEONGATHA

TUESDAY, June 20: Par Event.
Twenty-four stoic golfers played in this Par Round.
A Grade winner: Michael O'Rafferty with a score of +4.
A Grade runner up: Greg Ellt with a score of 0.
NTP 14th: David Richards at 7.63m.
NTP 16th: Greg Ellt at 1.32cm.
Thursday, June 22: Stableford Event.
An excellent field of 75 players hit off the yellow tees on a shotgun start at 9am for this Stableford event.
Understandably, some high scores were recorded.
A Grade winner: Andrew Westaway (11) with a score of 41 points.
A Grade runner up: Jamie Grenville (10) with a score of 37points (C/B).
B Grade winner: Geoffrey McDonald (14) with a score of 41points (C/B).
B Grade runner up: Phillip Edwards (16) with a score of 41points.
C Grade winner: Fred Debono (23) with a score of 39 points.
C Grade runner up: Frank Gill (20) with a score of 37 points.
NTP 14th: Hugh Goodman at 1.84m.
NTP 16th: Phil Strike at .31m.
Saturday, June 24: Stableford Event.
Seventy-eight golfers took to the course in cool and blustery conditions for this Stableford event.
A Grade winner: Phil Douglas with 36 points.
A Grade runner up: Jamie Grenville with 35 points.
B Grade winner: Dan Jolley with 40 points.
B Grade runner up: Lou Fua-tagata with 34 points on a countback.
C Grade winner: Gordon Allan with 34 points.
C Grade runner up: Peter Hartigan with 33 points.
D Grade winner: Graeme Clark with 37 points.
D Grade runner up: Steven Smith with 34 points on a countback.
NTP 14th: Ian Debenham at 1.27m.
NTP 16th: Geoffrey McDonald at 1.61m.

Ladies

THE Inverloch Esplanade Hotel generously sponsored the Stableford event again last week.
All winners were fortunate to



Trish Owen and Wendy Brown won A and B Grade respectively at Leongatha Golf Club last week.

receive a voucher to redeem at the Invy Espy.
A Grade was won on a count back by Trish Owen, from Alison Strong, with 31 points.
Wendy Brown won B Grade with 33 points and Nola Kim was runner up just one shot behind.
Balls down the line went to Maryann Gartner, Kay Dumbleton, Wendy Fletcher, Ashleigh Hutton, Joc Howson and Robin Smith.
Kay Dumbleton was the closest to the flag on the 14th and Alison Strong on the 16th.
The nine hole competition was won by Teresa Bennett with 17 points and Marie Sands earned a ball down the line with 15 points.

WOORAYL Ladies

WOORAYL Golf Club had 10 very brave ladies start on a four-degree morning, all lay-ered up.
They played a Stableford event sponsored by Suck It Up, Gutter Cleaning.
After the sun came out and the layers began to be removed, they were lucky the course was in such good condition, considering the amount of rain over the past week.
Elly Berryman won A Grade with 28 points.
Linda Forrester won B Grade

with 29 points.
BDL went to Inge Gilliam 28 points.
Best Nine Out was Kath Davis 15 points.
NTP was Elly Berryman on the eighth and 17th, and Kath Davis on the 11th.
Gobblers and Birdies were 16th Elly and 17th Jean.
Gobblers were Inge on the second and ninth, and Jean on the sixth.
The raffle was won by Tricia and Kath will bring the raffle next week.

MIRBOO NORTH

CAPTAIN Trophy play off: P Draper defeated J. Smeriglio 3/2.
Thursday, June 22: Stableford.
Day winner: N. Baker (24) 32 points c/b.
DTL: R. Matthews and R. Pentland 32.
NTP: sixth R. Matthews and 16th D. Taylor.
Birdies: 13th J. McFarlane and 16th D. Taylor.
Saturday, June 24: Par.
A Grade: N. Traill 2up.
B Grade: G. Dawson sq.
DTL: D. Taylor, J. Robbins, S. Mills and N. Bracecamp -2 c/b.
NTP: fourth N. Bickerton, sixth B. Bradshaw, 13th T. Whitelaw and 16th G. Dawson.
Birdies: fourth M. Payne and

T. Whitelaw.

WONTHAGGI

RESULTS: Thursday, June 22, SR. 71.
Competition: Stableford 18 hole.
Winner: Ian Murrells 36.
BDTL to 31 C/B.
Ball sweep: Keith Ridout 34, Frank Huber 33 Philip McCrimmon 33 and Ian McNish 31.
Results: Thursday, June 22.
Competition: Stableford nine hole 10 to 18, SR. 36.
Winner: Ian Murrells 18.
BDTL to 17.
Ball sweep: Andrew Hooton-Shandley 17, Secondo Tiziani 17, and Norm Burne 16.
Results: Saturday, June 24, S.R 71.
Competition: Stableford.
A Grade: Sam Dennis 46.
B Grade: Doug Putt 37.
C Grade: Geoff Perkins 38.
BDTL to 33 C/B.
Ball sweep: Simon O'Halloran 36, Kevin Ridout 35, Peter Dell 35, Kevin Jamieson 35, Mat Johnson 35, Garry Bates 35, John Walsh 34, Jason Satori 34, Graham Campbell 33 and Ian Baker 33.
Eagle: Sam Dennis first.
NTPs: Ian Baker second, Simon O'Halloran fourth, Peter Thompson propin eighth, Sam Dennis 13th, and Peter Dell money hole 17th.



Pam Sutcliffe, Geoff Coleman and Judy Parker were Inverloch Bowling Club's Thursday Social Bowls winners.



Michael Dady (S), Peter Thorley (L) and Frank D'Unienville (3) were the best one game winners for the South West Midweek Bowls Group on Thursday.

MIDWEEK

A COLD morning greeted the 36 players who arrived at Koo Wee Rup, to once again fight it out for team(s) of the week.

David set up the greens and raised the flags.

Pauline and John greeted everyone and collected the fees, while Peter prepared the teams.

When the bowlers got out on the green, they were pleasantly surprised as coats and jumpers were discarded, and the sun started to beat down.

The bowling was all quality with very few errant bowls, which says quite a bit about the excellent condition of the green.

As usual some great friendly banter and lots of laughter heard around the greens.

However, as always, not everyone can be the winner.

This week's winners on 36 points were Ken Harding (S), Laurie Bell (3), Bill Williams (2) and Kevin Kitchin (L).

Runners up on 32 points were Tony Heppleston (3), Robyn Coulson (3), Gwen Jeffrey (2) and Elaine Williams (L).

Best one game on 24 points

were Michael Dady (S), Frank D'Unienville (3) and Peter Thorley (L).

It was great to see Elaine return following her fall almost a year ago –also great to see her in the winner's circle on her first game back.

A big thank you to David in the bar as well as for cleaning up after the game with Luke, Helen and Laurie.

Next week we will be meeting at Lang Lang at 10am.

The club looks forward to seeing everyone there.

INVERLOCH

THE club had a wonderful turn out at Thursday Social Bowls.

Thirty-four players were divided amongst 10 teams made up of two Fours and eight Triples.

Two games of 10 ends, with a break for lunch, were played.

Three teams ended up with two wins each.

The hard luck story of the day was the team of Martin Hannaford (skip), Graham Turton and John Cook who finished with two wins and 30 points.

Runners up for the day was the



Ken Harding (S), Laurie Bell (3), Kevin Kitchin (L) and Bill Williams (2) were the winners at Koo Wee Rup Bowls Club.



Robyn Coulson (3), Gwen Jeffrey (2), Tony Heppleston (S) and Elaine Williams (L) were the South West Midweek Bowls Group runner ups last week.



Wonthaggi Bowls Club Saturday winners were Aldo Sartori, Ken Gage and Wayne Mattock.

team of Bill Selby (skip), Keith Cousens and Tony Latham who finished on two wins, 34 points and 13 shots up.

The eventual winners were the team of Geoff Coleman (skip), Pam Sutcliffe and Judy Parker who finished with two wins, 34 points and 17 shots up.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped out on this day.

WONTHAGGI

ONCE again, it was another good week at the club, starting off with 27 bowlers taking to the greens on Wednesday.

The weather was perfect for bowls, with full sunshine and a very slight breeze.

Most of the teams consisted of triples, with a couple of fours.

The winners were a team of three –Frank Seaton, John Duscher, and Charlie Wright, with a score of two wins and 33 points. The runners up were a team of four –Dot Stein, John Hill, Rob Dennis, and Allan Ireland, with a score of two wins and 32 points.

Saturday saw 42 bowlers taking to the greens, including a

number of visitors, which is always good.

The teams were triples, and the skippers also had three bowls.

Four teams achieved two game wins, with the runners up being Scott Miller, Ken Webb, and Rob Shaw, with a score of two wins and 35 points.

The winners were Aldo Sartori, Ken Gage, and Wayne Mattock, with a score of two wins and 36 points.

A highlight of the day was a \$50 voucher from the Resting Toucher Bowls Shop, donated by Bev Stephenson.

It was the first draw in the raffle, and the lucky winner was Allan Ireland.

A big thanks to Bev for such a generous donation.

Bowlers were looking towards the sky over the last two ends, with a huge bank of black clouds heading their way.

For bowls this week: Wednesday social bowls at 12:30pm and Saturday social bowls at 12:30pm.

Have a good week and good bowling.

Phillip Island & Districts Dart League

IN ROUND 12 of Darts, the Riverboys and That's All emerged victorious with impressive performances, while the Newbies secured a resounding 5-2 win against the Clangers.

Let's extend our congratulations to Anders Geier for his outstanding achievement of throwing a 180 last week!

As the finals draw near, the intensity of the competition among teams vying for coveted spots is rapidly escalating. The heat is on as they fiercely battle for a chance to secure their berths in the finals.

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

Phillip Island Bridge results

MONDAY, June 19, was the second round of the winter pairs. Winners on the day were Lorrie read and Neville Chapman on 58.33%. In second place were Moya Crowley and Michael Doolley on 57.41%. Deb Anglim and Greg Nicholson finished third on 56.02%.

Place getters in the final competition were very close with Bron Sund and John Farr on 56.85%, Caroline Shaw and Anne Hodgson on 56.12%, and Lorrie read and Neville Chapman 55.56%.

On Monday, June 21 Caroline Shaw and Leng Haggith had another good day at the tables taking first place on 63.54%. Diane Coleman and Shirley Weaver teamed up to come second on 58.33% and Paul Waylen and Karen Klym finished third on 52.08%.

South Gippsland Bridge Club

1st Alan Johnston/John Sutton 62.96%

2nd Philip and Neville Chapman 56.02%

3rd Julie Perriam/Anne Gibson 55.56%

June 16

1st Clive Hope/Alan Johnston 59.82%

2nd John Quayle/Matti Shub 58.63%

3rd John Farr/Shirley Stewart 55.36%

June 20

1st John Sutton/Alan Johnston 63.19%

2nd Ruth Harvey/Susan Edwards 62.50%

3rd Penny Loughran/Kathleen Dowd 54.86%

4th Hannah Martin/Maureen Stiles 50%





South Gippsland Junior Volleyball Grand Final winners the Pickles (L-R): Coach Jess, President Rob, Casey, Tayla, Abbie, Jess, Ethan, Ace, Asha, Harrison and coach Brock.



South Gippsland Junior Volleyball Grand Final runners-up, the Polar Bears (L-R): Coach Jess, president Rob, Ysabella, Liam, Antonella, Will, Zenna, Ashlynn, Jeremiah, Rosanna, and coach Brock.

Juniors put on a show

A SMASHING grand final concluded the South Gippsland Volleyball Club Junior Competition's Autumn season.

The Polar Bears narrowly defeated Pickles (25:20, 4:9) in front of an energetic crowd of supporters. Throughout this season, junior players from nine schools across the region developed their volleyball skills through specific drill training and game play that culminated in the recent Grand Final.

Special award winners for this season were Yasmine (Most improved), Declan (Most consistent), Amber (Encouragement) and Erik (President's Award).

Experienced and dedicated coaches Liselott Webster, Jessica Sanders and Brock Churchill support the individual development of both new and experienced junior players through a weekly program. Junior training welcomes new and experienced players on Thursday evenings from 6 pm during school terms at Splash, Leongatha.

Registrations are now open for the next season. Follow the club on Facebook and Instagram (South Gippsland Volleyball). Contact Secretary Jessica Sanders 0447 262 522 or email southgippslandvolleyball@outlook.com for information.



South Gippsland Junior Volleyball award winners (L-R): Declan, Yasmine, Erik. (Absent Amber).



Victorian Country Champions Div 2 Silver medallists (L-R): Jenny Damon, Sophie Allen, Andrea Axford, Michelle Axford, Sarah Damon, Jessica Sanders, Tamara Miller, Liselott Webster, Charlotte Smith, Chelsea Hulls and Annika Webster.



South Gippsland Volleyball Country Championships Div 2 Men's team (L-R): Ben Di Stefano, Nick Dunkling, Jeremiah Bermudez, Jason Zhang, Rob Damon, Tim Berger, Chris Axford, Dane Krackowizer and Michael Axford.

Shining silver for local Volleyballers

A RECORD-BREAKING Volleyball Victoria Country Championship was recently held in Mildura and South Gippsland Volleyball returned home with a Silver Medal and three All-Star trophies.

South Gippsland Women's team, coached by experienced campaigner Jenny Damon, returned with silver medals in 2023.

In a demonstration of the high calibre of volleyball that is played in the Gippsland region, it was Bairnsdale that defeated South Gippsland to win the gold medal. Jessica Sanders and Sarah Damon won All-Star Trophies for Women's Division 2.

The South Gippsland Men's team fought all weekend in a division full of well matched teams and placed fifth in the competition. Chris Axford won an All-Star Trophy for Men's Division 2.

Interestingly, four mother/daughter or father/son combinations played in their respective teams. The pairs included Jenny and Sarah Damon, Liselott and Annika Webster, Michael and Chris Axford and Michelle and Andrea Axford.

For more than 50 years, the Country Championships has been a meeting place for volleyball associations outside Melbourne.

This year, more than 30 teams com-



All Star Sevens Sarah Damon and Jessica Sanders.

peted in Mildura's magnificent new stadium.

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All Star Seven Chris Axford.



South Gippsland's Women's Team in action against Riddell's Creek at Volleyball Victoria Country Champs '23.



Wonthaggi hosted more than 60 participants in the first ever Go Girls Tournament held in this region.

Go Girls tournament sees more than 60 players

WITH the Women's World Cup being held in Australia for the first time this year, soccer is quickly growing as a very popular sport for females young and old.

On Saturday afternoon, Wonthaggi hosted over 60 participants from all over the Bass Coast and South Gippsland areas in the first ever Go Girls Tournament held in this region.

With two age groups, teams were created, and players battled it out for a spot in the grand final.

In the Junior age group, it was a hot contest between the black and

red teams in the grand final, but eventually the red team proved too strong and secured the victory, only minutes before the late afternoon rain deluge.

In the open division, after a minor rain delay the Klams battled the ABCDEFC team in the grand final. Both teams were able to find the net, but eventually the experienced ABCDEFC took the game and finished the day with a win.

Apart from the rain, it was a great afternoon, hopefully one of many more to come.



Go Girls players in action over the weekend.

Gippsland United battle it out against Nunawading

SUNDAY, June 25: Nunawading and Gippsland United U14s battled to a nil-all draw

In an intense match between the JBNPL U14s teams, Gippsland United and Nunawading, both sides displayed their skills and determination, resulting in a hard-fought nil-all draw. The game was characterised by solid defensive performances, strong midfield battles, and notable saves by both goalkeepers.

The first half saw several notable moments as the players showcased their abilities. Gippsland United's Patrick Frayne had some promising shots on goal, while Henry Knight demonstrated his defensive prowess, consistently winning the ball for his team. Forward pressure was applied by Declan Ryan and Bill Prior, putting Nunawading's defence under pressure. Unfortunately for Gippsland, Ethan Bruce's shot narrowly missed the target, sailing just over the top of the net. Hamish Crosbie showed great determination in contested midfield battles, and Harrison Ritchie, Gippsland's goalkeeper, made an impressive save to deny Nunawading an early lead. The backline, led by Ethan, Patrick, and Declan Paku, effectively switched the ball, demonstrating their strong defensive coordination.

As the game progressed into the second half, both teams continued to exhibit a high level of play. Gippsland United made strategic substitutions, with Archer Mallia and Ciaran joining the action, replacing Hamish and Declan R. The match remained evenly matched, with Julian Bremner's effective passing and Archer's shielding of the ball leading to an awarded free

kick. Mitch Dastey displayed great accuracy in his clearances, ensuring the ball stayed on target. Notably, Patrick Frayne's clearance in a critical moment prevented Nunawading from scoring a potential goal. Christian Guarascio's substitution injected some forward pressure for Gippsland, while Nunawading's Number 19 proved to be a standout, challenging Gippsland's midfield throughout the game.

The final moments of the match were filled with excitement as both teams made desperate attempts to break the deadlock. Mitch's remarkable save, executed right next to the post, kept Nunawading from finding the back of the net. Gippsland's Ethan Bruce displayed his long-passing abilities, finding Jett Koppen in a promising position. Hamish Crosbie continued to apply intense pressure, creating opportunities for his team. Harrison Ritchie, Gippsland's goalkeeper, made a crucial save to preserve the draw. In the last-minute drama, a free kick provided a final chance for a breakthrough, but both teams were unable to capitalise, resulting in a nil-all draw.

Overall, the match showcased the talent and determination of both the Gippsland United and Nunawading U14s teams. The players demonstrated their skills in defence, midfield battles, and goalkeeping, but ultimately, neither side could find the back of the net. Both teams can be proud of their efforts and will look to build on this solid performance in their upcoming matches.

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 mid-way 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.

GSL Round 9 Results – Sunday, June 25

Senior Mens: Lang Lang United 3 d Inverloch Stars 1, Trafalgar Victory 3 d Mirboo North United 0, Leongatha Knights 8 d Wonthaggi United 0, Phillip Island 4 d Drouin Dragons 1

Senior Womens: Inverloch Stars 5 d Lang Lang United 1, Leongatha Knights 7 d Wonthaggi United 0, Phillip Island 5 d Drouin Dragons 1

Mens Reserves: Inverloch Stars 1 d Trafalgar Victory 0, Korumburra City 5 d Leongatha Knights 2, Phillip Island 5 d Drouin Dragons 1

Under 17 Mixed: Phillip Island 7 d Drouin Dragons Maroon 1, Drouin Dragons White 3 d Inverloch Stars 0

Under 14 Mixed: Leongatha Knights White 2 drew Inverloch Stars 2, Wonthaggi United 4 drew Leongatha Knights Blue 4, Phillip Island 3 drew Drouin Dragons Maroon 3, Drouin Dragons White 4 d Korumburra City 0

Under 12a Mixed: Leongatha Knights 3 d Wonthaggi United 2, Phillip Island 1 drew Drouin Dragons Maroon 1, Inverloch Stars 6 d Lang Lang United 0

Under 12b Mixed: Drouin Dragons Yellow 6 d Korumburra City 0, Phillip Island Red 6 d Drouin Maroon/Yellow 1

The ladders are as follows:

- Senior Men:**
- 1.Trafalgar Victory
 - 2.Phillip Island
 - 3.Leongatha Knights
 - 4.Korumburra City
 - 5.Drouin Dragons
 - 6.Inverloch Stars
 - 7.Lang Lang United
 - 8.Mirboo North United
 - 9.Wonthaggi United

- Senior Women:**
- 1.Leongatha Knights
 - 2.Phillip Island
 - 3.Wonthaggi United
 - 4.Inverloch Stars
 - 5 Drouin Dragons
 6. Lang Lang United
 7. Mirboo North United

- Men Reserves:**
1. Phillip Island
 2. Trafalgar Victory
 3. Inverloch Stars
 4. Drouin Dragons
 5. Korumburra City
 6. Leongatha Knights

- Under 17 Mixed:**
- 1.Phillip Island
 - 2.Drouin Dragons White
 - 3.Drouin Dragons Maroon
 - 4.Leongatha Knights
 - 5.Inverloch Stars

- Under 14 Mixed:**
1. Phillip Island
 - 2.Drouin Dragons White
 - 3.Drouin Dragons Maroon
 - 4.Inverloch Stars

5. Korumburra City
- 6.Leongatha Knights Blue
7. Wonthaggi United
- 8.Leongatha Knights White
- 9.Mirboo North United

- Under 12a Mixed:**
- 1.Inverloch Stars
 - 2.Drouin Dragons Maroon
 - 3.Phillip Island
 - 4.Wonthaggi United
 - 5.Leongatha Knights
 - 6.Korumburra City
 - 7.Mirboo North United
 - 8.Lang Lang United

- Under 12b Mixed:**
- 1.Phillip Island Red
 - 2.Phillip Island Blue
 - 3.Drouin Maroon/Yellow
 - 4.Drouin Dragons Yellow
 - 5.Trafalgar Victory
 - 6.Inverloch Stars
 - 7.Korumburra City

A couple of changes for the second half of the season. Wonthaggi United Senior Men have been relegated to Men Reserves. Lang Lang United has entered a Men Reserves team. Lang Lang United U12a have been relegated to U12b.

GSL Round 10 Fixture – Sunday, July 2

Senior Mens - 3pm
Lang Lang United v Mirboo North United, Leongatha Knights v Phillip Island, Korumburra City v Inverloch Stars

Senior Womens - 1pm
Lang Lang United v Mirboo North United, Leongatha Knights v Phillip Island

Mens Reserves - 1pm
Leongatha Knights v Drouin Dragons, Korumburra City v Inverloch Stars, Phillip Island v Lang Lang United, Wonthaggi United v Trafalgar Victory (3pm)

Under 17 Mixed - 9:30am

Drouin Dragons Maroon v Drouin Dragons White, Leongatha Knights v Phillip Island

Under 14 Mixed - 11:20am

Drouin Dragons Maroon v Drouin Dragons White, Leongatha Knights White v Mirboo North United, Leongatha Knights Blue v Phillip Island, Korumburra City v Inverloch Stars

Under 12a Mixed - 10am

Leongatha Knights v Phillip Island, Korumburra City v Inverloch Stars

Under 12b Mixed - 11:30am

Drouin Dragons Yellow v Drouin Maroon/Yellow, Phillip Island Blue v Phillip Island Red, Korumburra City v Inverloch Stars

MiniRoos - both hubs are taking a break over the school holidays.

Leongatha
Table Tennis
results

WITH the Autumn competition completed and some terrific table tennis being played the grand final was a thriller.

A Grade results:

Eagles (Dirk, Michael W, Bom) came out firing and claimed 2 out of the 3 games in the first set of singled. Wilderbeasts (Braden, Dom, Jesse who was a fill in for Alan F) knew that the doubles were going to be crucial. After 5 extremely close games, Eagles eventually came out ahead.

The next round of singles came out the other way around with Wilderbeasts winning 2 out of 3.

The second doubles were an all or nothing with Wilderbeasts dominating and winning in 4 games.

The final round of singles were tense with the score at 4 matches apiece. The top players battled out a thriller with Braden eventually overcoming Dirk 11-5, 11-13, 8-11, 11-5, 11-9. In the second single Bom defeated Jesse in 3. The last match became the decider between two very even players, Michael W and Dom. Dom won the first 2 games comfortably, but Michael bounced back and won the next 2 games. Dom eventually won the 5th which gave his team gf victory.

The final score:

Wilderbeasts 6-22 def Eagles 5-24

A Reserve results:

The A-Reserve gf turned out to be a very one sided affair. With both teams having to work hard to make the gf, unfortunately there wasn't anything left in the tank for Triceratops (Aiden, Harley, Kim) who were defeated by Brontosaurus (Jesse, VB, Trevor)

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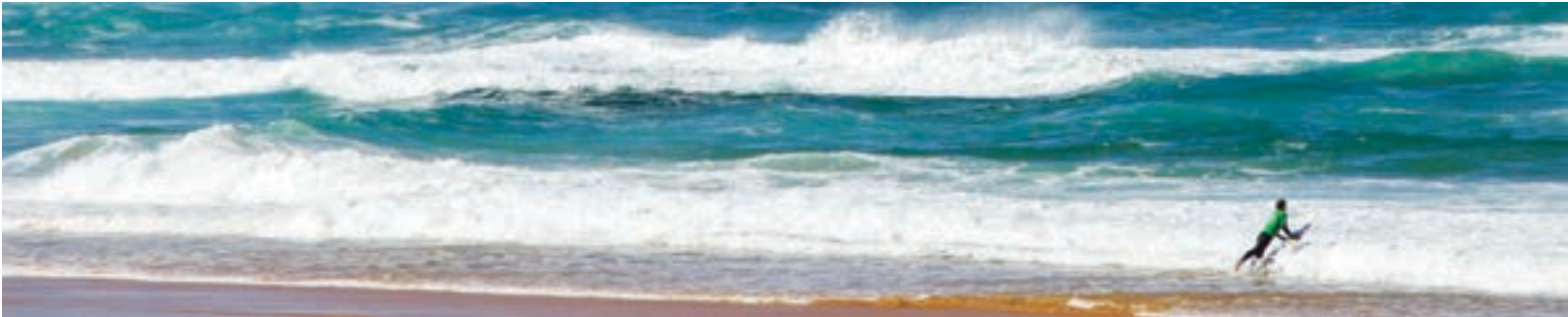
Leongatha fielded 4 teams to the carnival which was held in Traralgon for the first time. It turned out to be a wonderful venue and we are happy that it will be the championship home for the next 7 years.

Michael Chang, Dirk Holwerda, Michael Grist and Neil Chilver represented Leongatha in B2 and took home the shield with many of the matches being long drawn out affairs ending in 6-5 result.

Sven Gebele, Aiden Holwerda and Trent Beggs played in Grade D3 also took home the winners shield with the added bonus of Sven winning the individual players aggregate.

Th other 2 teams performed well and were runners up in their respective grades. E1 – Derek Beggs, Dom Murdica and Bom. E3 – Kim Pearce, Jesse Pearce and VB.

Congratulations to all participants and especially to the parents of Trent and Jesse who played so that their young players could compete.



A newly created Phillip Island Junior Pro surfing competition is set to bring the best under 18 surfers from across the country to the region this September.

Phillip Island Junior Pro to bring the next
generation of talent to the Bass Coast Shire

THE NEWLY created Phillip Island Junior Pro is set to bring the best under 18 surfers from across the country to the region this September school holidays.

As a 10,000-point Marquee event on the Surfing Australia National Rankings, the event is only one of four events of this calibre in the country and will provide surfers with valuable rankings points in their quest for a spot in the Irukandjis team heading to the ISA World Junior Surfing Titles.

“It’s very exciting to welcome the Phillip Island Junior Pro to our shores” said Bass Coast Shire Mayor, Cr Michael Whelan.

“The passionate energy these next generation athletes bring to Bass Coast is contagious, so to see such brilliant new talent show off their skills in our own surfing reserve is always fantastic. We’re very proud of our wild, coastal environment down here at Bass Coast, so very much look forward to celebrating our shared love for the ocean with Surfing Victoria in September.”

Steve Dimopoulos MP, Victoria’s Minister for Tourism,

Sport and Major Events said he’s excited to welcome the newly created Phillip Island Junior Pro to the Bass Coast.

Featuring Boys and Girls divisions for Under 18, Under 16 and Under 14 divisions, the event will run over the Victorian school holidays from September 20-23, 2023.

“We are so stoked to be bringing a marquee junior rated event to Victoria” said Surfing Victoria CEO Adam Robertson.

“This event will be an integral part of our junior surfing pathway and give our young aspiring athletes a chance to earn valuable points in their home state.”

The event is expected to bring over 180 junior surfers will be webcasted for the final two days of the event, with further details to come.

Entries open Tuesday 20th June to eligible junior surfers via www.surfingvic.com/events

The Phillip Island Junior Pro is presented by Bass Coast Shire and supported by the Victorian Government Significant Sporting Events program, SurfBetterNow.com and Surfing Victoria.

Wonthaggi is final stop for Great Victorian riders

THE SOUND of 3000 cyclists unclipping from their pedals will be heard in Wonthaggi on Sunday December 3 as the Great Victorian Bike riders reach their final destination at the Recreation Reserve.

Starting in Orbost the cyclists will complete the final leg of their journey from Fish Creek and begin arriving in Wonthaggi from 9am onwards and into the afternoon.

It’s a great chance for the region to showcase what’s on offer.

“We know that our riders are really keen travellers, and they love coming back to these areas, so we want to be able to promote it so even if they can’t see it on the day, they’ll definitely head back to the area with their families and friends,” said Caitlin Borchers, General Manager of Events for Bicycle Network.

“We pick some towns that we haven’t really been to before, so it’s a bit of a different experience because we’ve been running the Great Vic for a while.

We do try to go to towns that have things on offer, like great shops and things to see if riders do want to stick around and have a wander through. So, it’s not just a petrol station somewhere, we like to be able to showcase a beautiful region or town.”

The Great Victorian Bike Ride has been running since 1984 and has been through Gippsland five times in the past, but not since 2007, where it began in Cowes and finished in Buchan.

This time the ‘Snowy to Sea’ ride is 540 kilometres in total, about 77 kilometres per day, and goes from Orbost and through Buchan, Lakes Entrance, Paynesville, Sale, Port Albert, Fish Creek to Wonthaggi.

There are seven ride days,

one rest day, and an elevation of 4325 metres.

For those wanting to join in but unable or unwilling to commit to nine days of pedalling, there are five and three day options, travelling different legs of the journey as well.

Bicycle network ran a community evening at the Workmen’s Club, Wonthaggi, last week to inform the community about how they can be involved.

Community groups and businesses are welcome to set up at the reserve and Caitlyn encourages businesses to keep their doors open on the Sunday.

“We have lots of people coming over from Melbourne and the surrounds to pick up their families and friends as well to congratulate them for finishing the event. It is quite a big operational day and with lots of cars and buses coming and going.”

“We know because it is a Sunday that some shops may shut, so we want to make sure we give them the opportunities to be open.”

With the bulk of riders arriving between 11am and 12 pm, food, produce, barbeques and particularly coffee is always in high demand when riders arrive.

Bicycle network also has volunteering roles that need to be filled and donate money to groups and clubs for each person that helps out at the event.

For more information on the ride go to www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/rides-and-events/great-victorian-bike-ride/ and community groups or clubs can get in touch with Chelsea at communities@bicyclenetwork.com.au. Destination Gippsland is a major partner and supporter of the event.

Poowong and District Amateur Basketball Association Autumn Grand Finals



Men: Swish Kebabs 77 def Celtics 39.
Back (from left): Swish Kebabs - Corey Whelan, Zac Gray, Daniel Whelan, Rhys Butler, Evan Alloway. Absent: Tom Burgess.
Front (from left): Celtics - Jake Born, Stuart McLaren, Jake Follett, Glenn Attenborough, Zach Follett, Rob Moxon. Absent: Daniel Johnson.



Noah Peacock Memorial Award for Grand Final MVP: Corey Whelan pictured with Michelle Peacock.



Season MVP: Evan Alloway.

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Softball on the rise in Bass Coast

Ms Crugnale said travel grants are available to athletes representing Victoria, but these don't always coincide with the event itself.

Melony Grand-Court has also taken fantastic strides, having been selected for the 2023 Over 35 Women's National Championships.

This tournament will take place in Blacktown, New South Wales, from July 5 to 9.

Melony has played softball for 19 years and recently raised her hand to become Bass Coast Softball's vice president.

She has represented Waverly for many years, represented Victoria and ACT, attended college in Florida on a softball scholarship, and is a wonderful role model for aspiring players.

With the support of the Big Connect project, Softball Victoria is looking forward to presenting more opportunities for the grassroots sport in Bass Coast and is now looking for community members who wish to play, coach, score or volunteer to support a future association.

Those who are interested in getting involved are encouraged to email Jo via jo.schutt@softball.org.

Celebrating Seafood

THIS year's TIDAL Seafood Festival in September is shaping up to be a huge three day celebration of all things seafood, opening with the TIDAL Seafood Gala Dinner.

Paying homage to the traditional Fisherman's ball and building on the inaugural event a few years ago, the Seafood Gala Dinner will be held on the San Remo Foreshore on Friday September 15.

With a five course menu curated by local chefs, guest speakers, live music and a 'Dress to Impress' dress code, the night promises to be a fitting opening to the TIDAL weekend.

"The Gala Dinner will be a celebration of the connection San Remo has to the ocean and the local seafood industry, a great chance for locals to catch up, and a nod to the traditional Fisherman's Ball," said Craig Edmonds, event coordinator.

"The Fisherman's Ball was a highlight on the San Remo social calendar for years, so we're excited to be breathing new life into such an iconic event. We're grateful for the support of our major sponsors of the event – Fisheries Victoria, San Remo Fisherman's Co-op, Bendigo Bank, Bass Coast Council, Visit Vic and the Westernport Hotel," says Craig.

Tickets are \$150 per ticket, or \$1400 for a table of 10 and include canapes, entrees, a main meal and dessert, plus a complementary drink on arrival and an evening of entertainment, and go on sale through Trybooking at 9am this Friday.



Powlett River Primary students take part in the Y Action Sports YMCA program with coach Brett Royden teaching basic skating skills and techniques. Z16_2623

YMCA evolving the stereotype of skateboarding

SINCE the debut of skateboarding in the 2020 Japan Olympics, the stereotype of the 'street' sport has been quashed, and YMCA Action Sports has pioneered all-inclusive skateboarding workshops to run in regional schools.

Powlett River Primary held their first session last week inviting preps to year sixes to get involved, providing the students with experiences beyond the classroom.

Principal of Powlett River Wendy Nichol said with the number of new skateparks being built in South Gippsland and Bass Coast, they thought it would be great to be able to build the confidence and skills of students to try these new facilities.

Qualified coach Brett Royden from YMCA travelled from Melbourne to educate the students on the basic skills and techniques of skateboarding,

and he was amazed by the results – "some kids have never been on a skateboard and here they were picking up the skills and challenging themselves."

Wendy Nichol explained that Powlett River weren't eligible for the skateboarding program being offered through the Victorian Government's Positive Start camps and experiences, "so I contacted the YMCA to see what we could apply for."

"Alice Hogan, who is an Action Sports Manager with the YMCA helped me apply for a grant to get a skateboarding coaching session for our school. Our application was successful, and we received two days of skateboarding with professional skateboarders."

Over the two days students had around 2.5 hours of time learning how to get on a skateboard, how to stand, balance, cruise, skate on a ramp and

learn some simple tricks.

"The coaches Brett, Mitch and Elliot were fantastic. They provided all the equipment, skateboards, safety gear, and ramps. They were able to cater for every student, and teacher!"

It was such a success that Wendy hopes to be able to do something each term, whether it be an after-school activity, or a day in the holidays where the school could arrange a time for kids who are interested to meet at one of the skateparks and practice what they have learnt.

The Y Action Sports began delivering the skating sessions to regional or low socio-economic areas last year and have since perfected their lesson model to service schools at a grassroots level with qualified skate coaches.

Operations Manager of Re-

gional Action Sports Matthew Brett said these sessions are a great opportunity for non-traditional sports to be introduced to foundation level, because not all children fall into the traditional sports avenue.

"Skateboarding is forever evolving, and the Olympics certainly brought the street sport into the mainstream eye, showcasing that skateboarding is massively popular and there is direction in the sport."

Y Action Sports is a non-for-profit organisation who run on partnerships, and school sessions is huge part in what they do – it's a pathway system, that helps encourage funding for local skate park sessions and help evolve these into street skating competitions, which are run nationally.

For more information on the program visit skatepark.ymca.org.au.

Newhaven College MTB riders compete in state series

WITH high hopes and months of practice behind them, the Newhaven College Mountain Biking Team arrived at the grounds of Dromana College on Sunday, June 18 ready to take on their opponents in Round 1 of the 2023 Alpinestars Victorian Schools MTB Series.

The 3.2km urban style course took riders through a combination of paved pathways between the school buildings, parkland and around the sports oval at the host college.

The team fell short of securing a podium finish but their unwavering spirit and relentless efforts were evident in every aspect of their endeavours.

Newhaven College MTB Team Coordinator, Eve Hollole, expressed her pride in the team's performance, emphasising the values of resilience and perseverance that they demonstrated.

"While we didn't secure a place on the podium this time,

the resilience and humour our team displayed throughout the competition is testament to their character and the team's indomitable spirit," said Ms Hollole.

Year 4 student Ethan Lynch proved his mettle, conquering the challenging, muddy terrain with his skilful manoeuvring and was firmly on track for third place in the U11 boys.

However, just 20 metres from the finish line, exhilaration turned into heartbreak in a split second when he went down on his derailleur, bringing his ride to an abrupt end.

Ethan's brother, Year 2 student Austin Lynch also missed out on placing, coming in a respectable fourth place in the U9 boys.

They'll all be saddling up again for Round 2 at Lysterfield on Sunday, July 23 in what is a highly competitive school MTB series.



Members of the Newhaven College Mountain Biking Team which competed at Dromana College recently, brothers Flynn (Year 4), Oscar (Year 2) and Hugo (Year 6) Wright.



Year 8 student Ethan Tilley takes a break from competition at the Victorian Schools MTB Series at Dromana recently.



Year 10 Newhaven College student Thomas Courtney competing at the Victorian Schools MTB Series at Dromana recently.



Year 6 Newhaven College students Rufus Hollole, Kody Lewis and Miller Micallef ready for action in the Victorian Schools MTB Series at Dromana recently.

RESULTS

A GRADE
Newborough 40 lt MDU 55
Yinnar 85 d Hill End 31
Fish Creek 53 d Mirboo Nth 40
Stony Creek 48 d Foster 30
Boolarra 56 lt Morwell East 67
Toora 50 d Tarwin 32

B GRADE
Newborough 52 lt MDU 57
Yinnar 72 d Hill End 25
Fish Creek 46 lt Mirboo Nth 52
Stony Creek 42 d Foster 26
Boolarra 53 lt Morwell East 69
Toora 35 d Tarwin 33

C GRADE
Newborough 31 lt MDU 45
Yinnar 32 drew Hill End 32
Fish Creek 30 lt Mirboo Nth 48
Stony Creek 38 d Foster 19
Boolarra 39 d Morwell East 32
Toora 31 lt Tarwin 50

D GRADE
Newborough 39 d MDU 26
Yinnar 39 d Hill End 29
Fish Creek 30 lt Mirboo Nth 36
Stony Creek 41 d Foster 10
Boolarra 31 lt Morwell East 38
Toora 14 lt Tarwin 39

17 & UNDER
Newborough 10 lt MDU 76
Fish Creek 49 d Mirboo Nth 13
Boolarra 41 d Morwell East 31
Toora 54 d Tarwin 12

15 & UNDER
Newborough 10 d MDU 76
Yinnar 33 d Hill End 27
Fish Creek 14 lt Mirboo Nth 51
Stony Creek 23 lt Foster 32
Boolarra 60 d Morwell East 12
Toora 58 d Tarwin 8

13 & UNDER
Newborough 27 d MDU 12
Yinnar 16 lt Hill End 22
Fish Creek 4 lt Mirboo Nth 37
Toora 26 d Tarwin 11

LADDERS

A GRADE	%	pts
Yinnar	181.13	40
Morwell East	189.73	38
Toora	173.06	38
Boolarra	150.46	32
Fish Creek	114.61	28
Tarwin	102.48	24
Newborough	88.00	20
Mirboo North	88.51	16
Stony Creek	67.63	16
MDU	77.21	12
Hill End	56.26	8
Foster	46.08	4

B GRADE	%	pts
Toora	177.04	40
Morwell East	179.24	36
Fish Creek	164.20	36
Mirboo North	150.78	36
Yinnar	181.92	32
Boolarra	138.54	24
Stony Creek	105.01	20
MDU	99.18	16
Newborough	84.73	12
Tarwin	80.45	12
Foster	49.16	8
Hill End	59.97	4
Thorpdale	13.80	4

C GRADE	%	pts
MDU	166.33	36
Yinnar	224.00	34
Hill End	134.38	30
Tarwin	147.47	28
Boolarra	131.43	28
Toora	127.31	28
Morwell East	146.41	24
Newborough	110.58	20
Fish Creek	104.01	16
Mirboo North	96.50	16
Stony Creek	74.16	12
Thorpdale	20.12	4
Foster	20.12	4

D GRADE	%	pts
Fish Creek	222.28	36
Yinnar	192.00	36
Mirboo North	246.20	32
Morwell East	165.83	32
Newborough	158.59	28
Tarwin	124.44	24
Hill End	121.43	24
Toora	78.21	20
Stony Creek	68.89	16
MDU	82.47	12
Boolarra	66.67	12
Thorpdale	21.69	4
Foster	18.66	4

17 & UNDER	%	pts
MDU	308.39	40
Toora	288.24	36
Yinnar	175.18	36
Fish Creek	203.10	32
Morwell East	91.28	28
Boolarra	72.57	28
Stony Creek	51.79	20
Newborough	49.00	20
Tarwin	43.69	16
Mirboo North	29.32	8

15 & UNDER	%	pts
Boolarra	366.67	40
Mirboo North	339.82	36
MDU	237.50	32
Yinnar	178.86	28
Hill End	150.00	28
Toora	139.47	28
Fish Creek	85.66	24
Morwell East	81.82	24
Stony Creek	39.29	12
Foster	30.58	12
Newborough	25.43	8
Tarwin	10.47	4

13 & UNDER	%	pts
Boolarra	314.86	40
Mirboo North	238.55	36
Toora	122.73	36
Yinnar	192.08	28
Hill End	106.40	28
Newborough	80.58	24
MDU	59.42	20
Foster	51.01	16
Fish Creek	24.85	16
Tarwin	38.34	12

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Felicity Fox (WA) takes a flying catch for The Giants. ob23_2623



Nyora's Tanasha Walters (A Grade) assesses her options during their match against Poowong.



Poowong's Julie Henshall passes to daughter Emma. Photo: Jeff Tull



Ashlee Cuff (C) passes it to Elisha Nicholas (GA) who is out in front of her Nar Nar Goon opponent. ob27_2623



Shannon Heylen looks to outmanoeuvre Poowong.



Mirboo North's Miki Hilliar (A Grade) makes a pass. Photo: Annie Holland



Felicity Fox looks for an option during Korumburra Bena's A Grade clash with Nar Nar Goon. A10_2623



Gemma Dixon (GD) gets air defending the ball that's being pushed towards the goal ring. ob25_2623



The Tigers' Jayne Blackford has always got a smile on her face! Photo: Annie Holland



Korumburra Bena's Georgia Hamilton has the ball in hand during the Giants' A Grade contest with Nar Nar Goon. A11_2623

WEST GIPPSLAND

RESULTS

A GRADE
Bunyip 22 lt KWR 52
Cora Lynn 34 lt K-Bass 35
Garfield 54 d Phillip Island 36
Korumburra 37 lt NNG 56
T-Dalmore 50 lt I-Kongwak 70
Warragul I. 19 lt Dalyston 98

B GRADE
Bunyip 41 lt KWR 46
Cora Lynn 32 lt K-Bass 36
Garfield 62 d Phillip Island 44
Korumburra 26 lt NNG 74
T-Dalmore 48 lt I-Kongwak 55
Warragul I. 15 lt Dalyston 57

C GRADE
Bunyip 17 lt KWR 32
Bunyip 12 lt K-Bass 26
Garfield 38 d Phillip Island 28
Korumburra 15 lt NNG 33
T-Dalmore 48 d I-Kongwak 34
Warragul I. 52 lt Dalyston 53

D GRADE
Bunyip 13 lt KWR 21
Cora Lynn 31 d K-Bass 19
Garfield 47 d Phillip Island 9
T-Dalmore 27 lt I-Kongwak 35
Warragul I. 29 lt Dalyston 32

17 & UNDER
Bunyip 23 lt KWR 31
Cora Lynn 42 d K-Bass 16
Garfield 9 lt Phillip Island 54
Korumburra 45 d NNG 28
Korumburra 8 lt NNG 35
Warragul I. 16 lt Dalyston 41

15 & UNDER
Bunyip 13 lt KWR 32
Cora Lynn 2 d K-Bass 14
Garfield 1 lt Phillip Island 55
Korumburra 8 lt NNG46
T-Dalmore 26 d I-Kongwak 13
Warragul I. 19 lt Dalyston 98

13 & UNDER
Bunyip 16 lt KWR 33
Cora Lynn 24 d K-Bass 14
Garfield 7 lt Phillip Island 37
Korumburra 8 lt NNG 39
T-Dalmore 32 d I-Kongwak 22
Warragul I. 8 drew Dalyston 8

11 & UNDER
Bunyip 18 drew KWR 18
Cora Lynn 7 lt K-Bass 34
Garfield 17 lt Phillip Island 20
Korumburra 3 lt NNG 43
T-Dalmore 32 d I-Kongwak 13
Warragul I. 6 lt Dalyston 21

LADDERS

A GRADE	%	pts
Inverloch-K	205.06	44
Tooradin-Dal.	142.74	40
Dalyston	153.13	32
Nar Nar Goon	135.10	32
Koo Wee Rup	132.23	28
Kilcunda-Bass	106.64	20
Phillip Island	94.80	20
Garfield	85.71	20
Kor-Bena	96.37	16
Cora Lynn	91.54	8
Bunyip	61.16	4
Warragul Ind.	32.30	0

B GRADE	%	pts
Nar Nar Goon	211.76	44
Dalyston	121.30	32
Inverloch-K	110.21	30
Kilcunda-Bass	105.39	30
Tooradin-Dal.	126.42	28
Cora Lynn	113.04	28
Garfield	103.56	24
Warragul Ind.	90.70	24
Koo Wee Rup	75.82	12
Kor-Bena	76.05	8
Bunyip	73.08	4
Phillip Island	56.99	0

C GRADE	%	pts
Inverloch-K	213.54	40
Dalyston	191.03	40
Nar Nar Goon	183.27	36
Tooradin-Dal.	145.96	36
Kilcunda-Bass	92.77	24
Koo Wee Rup	89.74	24
Cora Lynn	87.54	16
Phillip Island	75.26	14
Garfield	73.03	12
Bunyip	69.50	10
Kor-Bena	74.59	8
Warragul Ind.	35.14	4

D GRADE	%	pts
Inverloch-K	189.95	44
Nar Nar Goon	193.93	36
Cora Lynn	141.84	36
Kilcunda-Bass	119.17	28
Tooradin-Dal.	115.91	26
Garfield	114.60	26
Dalyston	113.74	24
Bunyip	76.29	16
Warragul Ind.	85.80	12
Koo Wee Rup	72.73	8
Phillip Island	34.99	4
Kor-Bena	0.00	0

17 & UNDER	%	pts
Kor- Bena	236.57	40
Dalyston	185.50	40
Inverloch-K	194.23	32
Phillip Island	176.00	32
Cora Lynn	161.54	32
Nar Nar Goon	125.54	24
Tooradin-Dal.	94.41	20
Koo Wee Rup	80.06	20
Bunyip	68.49	12
Kilcunda-Bass	49.40	8
Garfield	33.49	4
Warragul Ind.	21.99	0

15 & UNDER	%	pts
Nar Nar Goon	326.95	44
Phillip Island	276.76	40
Tooradin-Dal.	170.22	28
Warragul Ind.	143.30	28
Dalyston	128.18	28
Koo Wee Rup	125.00	28
Inverloch-K	96.33	22
Cora Lynn	110.92	20
Kor-Bena	63.12	14
Garfield	34.73	8
Kilcunda-Bass	25.07	4
Bunyip	24.01	0

13 & UNDER	%	pts
Tooradin-Dal.	317.78	44
Nar Nar Goon	389.47	40
Koo Wee Rup	125.65	34
Phillip Island	205.63	32
Cora Lynn	104.04	30
Inverloch-K	107.45	24
Kor- Bena	81.71	18
Dalyston	40.37	14
Warragul Ind.	53.79	10
Kilcunda-Bass	50.37	10
Bunyip	40.94	8
Garfield	28.43	0

11 & UNDER	%	pts
Tooradin-Dal.	414.67	44
Nar Nar Goon	366.20	40
Dalyston	198.91	28
Inverloch-K	163.89	32
Garfield	129.49	30
Phillip Island	86.08	24
Koo Wee Rup	79.23	22
Bunyip	92.31	16
Kilcunda-Bass	81.25	14
Kor-Bena	39.56	8
Cora Lynn	23.81	4
Warragul Ind.	20.89	4

Leongatha Football Netball Club results

Under 13 Score: Leongatha 47 def War-ragul 10

After a great training with Rhett we all went out there as a team determined and trusting. Let's get building, great game girls!

Under 15 Score: Leongatha 34 def War-ragul 9

A very good game resulted in an awe-some 25 goal win. Defence pressure really helped us. We converted our turnovers de-fence to attack very well. Well done girls!

Under 17 Score: Leongatha 63 def War-ragul 11

We tried lots of different changes during the game, goalers shot very well and a very good team effort with pressure down the whole court.

C Grade: Score: Leongatha 42 def War-ragul 17

Fantastic effort girls! It was a tough one but we all played our roles, kept our heads up and extended our lead each quarter.

B Grade: Score: Leongatha 71 def War-ragul 33

Strong four quarters girls. Great move-ment down the court, end to end. Enjoy the week of girls, well done.

A Grade: Score: Leongatha 35 def War-ragul 25

Very tough game! We played consis-tent, strong netball, that was clean but competitive. Well done to everyone, we brought our best and did not take the foot off until the final whistle.



Moe's Georgia Moody was just as potent in the circle has her shooting partner Ramayer Gourlay in an impressive showing by the second-top side on Saturday.



Wonthaggi's Bella Anderson frustrates her opponent, Moe's Charlize Bird, as she gets into the clear to accept the pass.



Wonthaggi Power wing defence Mia Plenkovich blocks her opponent Alex Moody's progress down court.



Moe's star shooter Ramayer Gourlay makes his catch under pressure from Wonthaggi defender Emma Sculley.

ELLINBANK

RESULTS

A GRADE

Buln Buln 27 It Neerim Sth 63
Yarragon 43 It Trafalgar 57
Catani 40 It Ellinbank 43
N-Darnum 73 d Longwarry 36
Nyora 40 It Poowong 53

B GRADE

Buln Buln 50 d Neerim Sth 44
Yarragon 30 It Trafalgar 65
Catani 31 It Ellinbank 58
N-Darnum 59 d Longwarry 39
Nyora 31 It Poowong 52

C GRADE

Buln Buln 27 It Neerim Sth 63
Yarragon 17 It Trafalgar 39
Catani 28 It Ellinbank 32
N-Darnum 36 d Longwarry 29
Nyora 10 It Poowong 42

17 & UNDER

Buln Buln 33 d Neerim Sth 11
Yarragon 18 It Trafalgar 56
Catani 21 d Ellinbank 35
N-Darnum 25 It Longwarry 36

15 & UNDER

Buln Buln 50 d Neerim Sth 16
Yarragon 44 d Trafalgar 15
Catani 30 d Ellinbank 20
N-Darnum 32 d Longwarry 28
Nyora 13 It Poowong 40

13 & UNDER

Buln Buln 39 d Neerim Sth 18
Yarragon 16 d Trafalgar 9
Catani 30 d Ellinbank 9
N-Darnum 5 It Longwarry 22
Nyora 10 It Poowong 26

LADDERS

A GRADE

	%	pts
Neerim South	286.94	44
Nilma Darnum	147.19	40
Ellinbank	139.84	36
Trafalgar	130.49	32
Buln Buln	105.97	24
Catani	115.40	18
Lang Lang	84.70	18
Longwarry	78.50	12
Poowong	52.08	8
Yarragon	59.81	4
Nyora	56.63	4

B GRADE

	%	pts
Ellinbank	243.21	40
Buln Buln	182.62	40
Trafalgar	178.43	40
Neerim South	127.54	28
Nilma Darnum	109.98	24
Catani	101.47	24
Yarragon	74.09	16
Lang Lang	78.15	12
Longwarry	73.14	8
Poowong	52.44	8
Nyora	35.54	0

C GRADE

	%	pts
Ellinbank	226.89	40
Neerim South	167.42	34
Catani	142.95	32
Buln Buln	141.40	32
Nilma Darnum	140.14	28
Longwarry	135.78	26
Trafalgar	114.60	20
Poowong	75.13	12
Yarragon	57.04	12
Lang Lang	64.16	4
Nyora	10.63	0

17 & UNDER

	%	pts
Longwarry	154.90	36
Catani	172.90	32
Ellinbank	159.75	32
Trafalgar	219.67	28
Poowong	159.22	20
Buln Buln	128.09	20
Nilma Darnum	92.81	12
Lang Lang	43.53	8
Yarragon	36.60	4
Neerim South	17.36	0
Nyora	0.00	0

15 & UNDER

	%	pts
Buln Buln	279.29	44
Yarragon	241.03	36
Poowong	157.79	36
Nilma Darnum	127.78	28
Longwarry	162.50	24
Catani	119.79	24
Trafalgar	111.55	24
Lang Lang	66.54	8
Ellinbank	50.82	8
Neerim South	38.61	8
Nyora	7.16	0

13 & UNDER

	%	pts
Buln Buln	237.31	44
Catani	264.42	40
Poowong	198.21	34
Longwarry	163.72	34
Yarragon	94.93	24
Neerim South	85.71	20
Ellinbank	53.81	12
Lang Lang	53.21	10
Nilma Darnum	52.74	10
Trafalgar	64.16	8
Nyora	36.59	4

GIPPSLAND

RESULTS

A GRADE

Maffra 47 It Sale 58
Drouin 60 d Bairnsdale 36
Moe 65 d Wonthaggi 34
Leongatha 35 d Warragul 25
Morwell 41 d Traralgon 36

B GRADE

Maffra 44 It Sale 57
Moe 39 d Wonthaggi 36
Leongatha 71 d Warragul 33
Morwell 43 It Traralgon 48

C GRADE

Maffra 38 d Sale 21
Drouin 36 drew Bairnsdale 36
Moe 33 d Wonthaggi 31
Leongatha 42 d Warragul 17
Morwell 19 It Traralgon 27

17 & UNDER

Maffra 25 drew Sale 25
Drouin 30 d Bairnsdale 34
Moe 8 It Wonthaggi 54
Leongatha 63 d Warragul 11
Morwell 18 It Traralgon 49

15 & UNDER

Maffra 39 It Sale 40
Drouin 23 It Bairnsdale 60
Moe 28 It Wonthaggi 30
Leongatha 34 d Warragul 9
Morwell 12 It Traralgon 46

13 & UNDER

Maffra 18 It Sale 50
Drouin 18 It Bairnsdale 31
Moe 51 d Wonthaggi 1
Leongatha 46 d Warragul 11
Morwell 6 It Traralgon 52

LADDERS

A GRADE

	%	pts
Morwell	137.78	42
Moe	156.71	40
Leongatha	130.48	32
Drouin	116.24	32
Warragul	97.76	22
Wonthaggi	83.93	16
Sale	82.81	16
Traralgon	94.26	12
Bairnsdale	67.45	8
Maffra	66.10	0

B GRADE

	%	pts
Traralgon	121.37	40
Leongatha	149.12	32
Moe	116.49	24
Drouin	106.13	20
Morwell	102.19	20
Wonthaggi	97.44	16
Maffra	78.88	8
Sale	77.31	8
Warragul	72.66	8
Bairnsdale	0.00	0

C GRADE

	%	pts
Maffra	149.63	40
Drouin	126.76	38
Leongatha	166.17	32
Morwell	118.66	32
Bairnsdale	108.02	26
Traralgon	90.10	20
Moe	89.13	16
Warragul	75.18	8
Wonthaggi	64.52	4
Sale	59.75	4

17 & UNDER

	%	pts
Leongatha	187.75	40
Traralgon	172.44	40
Sale	160.32	34
Wonthaggi	184.64	28
Maffra	126.37	26
Bairnsdale	107.10	22
Morwell	87.95	16
Drouin	79.00	10
Warragul	36.85	4
Moe	17.94	0

15 & UNDER

	%	pts
Traralgon	323.08	44
Sale	201.16	40
Bairnsdale	179.00	32
Leongatha	116.99	28
Maffra	113.14	28
Moe	77.54	16
Wonthaggi	72.81	16
Warragul	50.24	12
Morwell	51.53	4
Drouin	32.85	0

13 & UNDER

	%	pts
Traralgon	341.56	40
Sale	252.60	36
Moe	169.29	32
Bairnsdale	140.72	32
Leongatha	133.82	28
Maffra	121.85	24
Drouin	57.88	12
Warragul	33.18	8
Wonthaggi	18.18	8
Morwell	19.90	0

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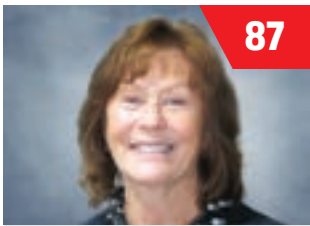
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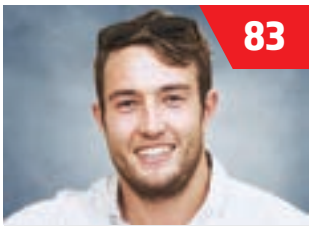
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Panthers fall to Cobras venom

WHILE both sides were missing some key players due to injury, Cora Lynn would eventually get the better of Kilcunda Bass.

Cora Lynn had the breeze in the first quarter and were able to kick the first two goals of the game.

Kilcunda Bass jagged one late and brought the margin back to nine points at the first break – giving them a confidence boost heading into the second term.

Scoring really opened up in the second quarter, with Cora Lynn getting out to a five-goal lead, before KB piled four straight goals on to get back within six points.

Unfortunately for the Panthers, Cora Lynn kicked two goals in the last couple of minutes of the quarter, and entered the main break three goals in front – zapping the Panthers’ confidence.

Cora Lynn was able to add one goal to their lead in the third term, but KB’s Nathan Foote, Ben Eddy and Cam McKenzie were battling hard in the midfield.

The Cobras took a 23-point lead into the fourth quarter, but the Panthers were still confident they could peg their opponents back.

During the final quarter, the Panthers had little spurts of momentum, but Cora Lynn always found a way to wrestle it back, and they ran away with a 27-point win.

Both sides will appreciate having the bye this weekend, and Kilcunda Bass will look to get back on the winner’s list when they travel to Bunyip in Round 12.

WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION RESULTS

KILCUNDA-BASS FOOTBALL CLUB



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CORA LYNN	KILCUNDA-BASS
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Cora Lynn	2.5	8.5	11.7	13.8 (86)
Kilcunda-Bass	1.2	5.5	7.8	8.11 (59)
GOALS, Cora Lynn: Nathan Gardiner 5, Lachlyn Peluso, Ryan Gillis, Nathan Gillis, Tristan Warkuss 1 each.				
BEST: Tristan Warkuss, Jeremy Monckton, William Thomas, Luke Hartley, Luke Ryan, Lachlyn Peluso.				
GOALS, K-Bass: Anthony Daraio 3, Taylor Gibson 2, Thomas West, Sam Watson, Bradley Aldwell 1 each.				
BEST: Nathan Foote, Dean Mcrae, Benjamin Eddy, Dale Crawford, Cam McKenzie, Taylor Gibson.				

RESERVES

Cora Lynn	7.9	12.13	20.16	28.17 (185)
Kilcunda-Bass	0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0 (12)
GOALS, Cora Lynn: Josh Wilson 9, Jayden Frazer 3, Manyang Alier, Lachlan Taylor, Lynden Banting, Matthew Langley 2, Lado Alphonse, Tory Drew, Jake Boccari, Jeremy Inverno, Matthew Scarlett, Sadaris Gardner Lefau, Robert North, Corey Ramsdale 1 each.				
BEST: Jake Boccari, Trav Ramsdale, Josh Wilson, Lynden Banting, Manyang Alier.				
GOALS, K-Bass: Lleyton Cartmel, Zac Crow 1 each.				
BEST: Trent Cartmel, Luke Dosiak, Michael Gatherum, Ashden Grenness.				

THIRDS

Kilcunda-Bass	3.2	4.5	5.8	5.10 (40)
Cora Lynn	2.0	4.3	5.3	5.6 (36)
GOALS, K-Bass: Tommy Bartels, Trent Cartmel, Isaac Sinniah, Toby Challinor 1 each.				
BEST: Ashden Grenness, Lleyton Cartmel, Toby Challinor, William Campbell, Tommy Bartels, Noah Martin				
GOALS, Cora Lynn: Caelan Addis 3, Lachlan Coverdale 2.				
BEST: Caelan Addis, Lachlan Coverdale, Kade Perkins, Logan Fox, Flynn Abdallah, Mulai Mulai.				



Georgia Sharp is chaired off following her 50th match for the Breakers.

Breakers’ streak crushed by Seaford

THE Breakers solid run came to an end this week when they faced an experienced Seaford lineup.

Kicking with the wind in the first quarter the Breakers were first to get on the board with Jenna Russo kicking a nice goal on the run.

Unfortunately for the home side a second goal after the siren wasn’t counted.

Aided by the wind, Seaford did most of the attacking in the second quarter.

The Breakers defence held strong for most of the quarter - with the visitors capitalising on a set shot straight in front late in the quarter.

The match got scrappier in the second half with Stacey Poke and Sophie Bolding working hard at the stoppages but neither team was able to clear the ball out of the pack.

With Seaford dropping numbers back the ball spent a long time in the rail trail pocket with the Breakers unable to find a clear avenue to score.

The last quarter was much of the same. A long torp from the pocket gave Seaford the advantage. Despite Chelsea Connell and Jenna Russo doing their best to push the ball forward the Breakers couldn’t clear the congestion.

Final Score: Seaford 2.5-17 def Breakers 1.3-9

Goals: J Russo

Best: S.Poke, K.O’Neill, J.Russo, C.Connell, S.Bolding, T.Angarane

The Breakers travel to SkyBus Stadium next Sunday at 3pm to take on Frankston.

The match follows the Frankston v Collingwood VFL match.

Step up this Orange Round

GIPPSLAND sports clubs are continuing to step up and say no to gender-based violence by participating in Orange Round.

Since launching in 2015, more than 50 Orange Rounds have been hosted by 35 Gippsland clubs as a stand against family violence and a showcase of gender equality in sport.

Expressions of Interest for winter Orange Round are still open and can be submitted via <https://tinyurl.com/OrangeRoundEOI>.

Hockey, netball, soccer, tennis and Australian rules football clubs have signed up to host an event between July 15-30, with volleyball, golf, lawn bowls, and other diverse sporting codes encouraged to get on board.

Representatives from participating clubs attended an online information session on to prepare them for hosting an Orange Round.

Topics include: what to expect when hosting an Orange Round, the connection between gender inequality and family violence, and answers to frequently asked questions.

For summer sports, Summer Orange Round will run during the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence: November 25 - December 10.

Local boys to represent West Gippsland

A HUGE congratulations to the young local boys who have been selected to play in the 2023 under 18s Gippsland Interleague Carnival.

The Carnival will take place on June 28, at the Morwell recreation reserve.

The West Gippy League will be hoping that they can go back-to-back after their flawless run last year, including their win over the Gippsland league in the grand final by just five points.

Local boys representing the league are:

Inverloch- Kongwak: Will turner, Callan O’Flynn, Cade Brown, Jarvis Harvey

Kilcunda-Bass; Owen Thomas

Dalyston; Max Connell, Jaxon Foon.

Phillip Island; Brayden Kleverkamp, Finn Cashman, Noah Muller (Emergency)

The rest of the team includes four players from Tooradin, two from Koo Wee Rup, one from Nar-Nar Goon, three from Warragul Industrials and four players from Cora Lynn.



Killy-Bass’ Under 18s player Lleyton Cartmel kicks the ball long down the wing against Koo Wee Rup.

Can young Panthers claw back the season?

By Year 10 work experience student, Trent Cartmel

AFTER the first 10 rounds of the West Gippsland league season, Kilcunda Bass’ under 18s side has had their fair share of ups and downs.

Taking into account the players who’ve left the club along the way and others whose good form has seen them promoted to the seniors, they might have expected an easier run to date.

The start of the season went pretty well for the Panthers, winning two of their first four.

Losses to strong teams like Tooradin and Inverloch-Kongwak meant that they were two and two after their dominant victory over Dalyston’s thirds, winning by 108 points, and their victory over Koo Wee Rup’s under 18s in round four.

But the loss of several players early in the year left the young Panthers vulnerable and in round six, they struggled to kick a competitive score against the Garfield Stars, who, it must be said are now sitting in third.

The following week it was the local derby against Phillip Island, and despite being up for the fight, they went down by 67 points.

In round eight they finally caught a break, with a big win over Korumburra.

In winning by 123 points they showed clean ball movement through the middle, and an unselfishness in the forward line which enabled them to have nine goal kickers, with crafty forward Matthew Dakin and full forward George Blum both booting four goals.

However, after a loss to Nar Nar Goon and Warragul Industrials, the Panthers now sit just a game out of the top six, in eighth.

It has not all been doom and gloom for the under 18s though, with five young up-and-comers playing in the seniors including the likes of Trent Cartmel, Lleyton Cartmel, Ashden Grenness, Will Campbell, and just recently, Owen Thomas.

And there has also been a lot of support shown by the 18s for the Reserves, which have been struggling for players every week.

And as an encouraging sign, the 18s have shown a lot of heart the past couple weeks, despite those losses to Nar Nar Goon and Warragul Industrials.

With eight rounds left, games against Cora Lynn, Korumburra, Koo Wee Rup, and Nar Nar Goon will be important ones if they want to make a run at the finals.



Poowong's Charlie Koscal capitalises on the chaos and makes a run with the ball. Photo: Jeff Tull

Magpies and Saints clash for Demon Cup

By Geoff Wyatt

POOWONG travelled to neighbours Nyora for the Demon Cup in the seniors together with the reserves while the thirds and fourths played Ellinbank at Catani.

The day was also a tribute day for Geoff Glover a Nyora stalwart for the club and well known to the Poowong Club.

A minute's silence was held prior to the senior's game.

Players wore black arm bands in honour of Esma Laing (Miller) and John Halliday loyal Poowong supporters, workers and players.

The ground was in good condition, there was about a four-goal breeze blowing to the speedway end, Nyora had four players back from injury while Poowong had one change Charlie Koscal back with Tyran Lord out with a shoulder injury for the season.

The game was important to both sides Nyora trying to climb the ladder where Poowong are trying to consolidate their fifth spot on the ladder with a couple of big games coming up after the Bye Neerim South and Ellinbank.

Poowong were first on the board with a goal to Mitch DeKleuver to the speedway end of the ground players were working hard with Nyora able to score a goal against the breeze.

The Magpies probably needed another

couple of goals to justify the breeze, the second quarter could be the match quarter if Poowong's defence were unable to hold Nyora forwards.

Nyora added a couple of early points before they found the big opening.

Poowong had the ball up forward and when Mitch Whiting passed to Zac Gray for a goal and a few minutes later a kick out of the pack was marked by Zac Gray for his second.

Poowong defence allowed Nyora to run into goal for their third leaving the half time margin eighteen points Poowong 6.5.41 to Nyora 3.5.23.

The third quarter started under threatening skies, the lights were turned on to improve visibility, Poowong needed to start well and use the breeze to build a lead, but it was Nyora who come out determined and added two quick goals against the breeze to close the gap to six points.

Damon Hansen who was playing well passed to Will Robertson for a goal, Damon then marked for a point, he followed up with another mark for his third goal as the weather turned with rain and wind making conditions for the footballers. Runners and Umpires very difficult.

Poowong added three goals in the conditions a goal to Micah Williames, and Matt Cozzie followed up by Alex Henshall goal off a free kick to open the lead at

three quarter time to 38 points.

Conditions improved in the last quarter and Nyora started well with a goal from a free kick and 50 metres both sides were striving for a win.

From a free kick for interference Jack Hazendonk marked and passed to Steve McInnes for a goal into the breeze, and when Alex Henshall kicked his third it was all over with Nyora adding a late point and Poowong three points.

A good game of football by the two sides, both will benefit from the game, Nyora have a couple to of players to come in and they will have a big say in the final positions while Poowong was able to maintain their two-game difference also they helped their percentage.

The reserves game was over at quarter time with a nine-goal quarter with the breeze by Nyora, but the Poowong boys worked hard with Joshua Hutton two goals and Tomu Yusef new players improving each week.

The U18s were right in the game other than one quarter, and the U16s they are improving each week, both teams will have a say who plays in the finals.

The senior netballers won their second game for the year, well done girls in a successful day.

The club has the bye next week, training at the Burra Gym and dinner Top Pub Thursday night.

ELLINBANK & DISTRICT LEAGUE RESULTS

RND 12

NYORA FOOTBALL CLUB

POOWONG FOOTBALL CLUB



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POOWONG	NYORA
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Poowong	4.4	6.5	11.7	13.9 (87)
Nyora	1.2	3.5	5.5	6.9 (45)

GOALS, Poowong: Damon Hansen, Alex Henshall 3, Zac Gray 2, Micah Williames, Mitch De Kleuver, Steven McInnes, Matthew Cozzio, William Robertson 1 each.

BEST: Damon Hansen, Alex Henshall, Matthew Cozzio, Steven McInnes, Andrew Logan, William Robertson.

GOALS, Nyora Jack Keating, Dylan Heylen, Adam Pugh, Jack Rosenow, Connor Thompson, Brandon Lloyd 1 each.

BEST: Travis Stewart, Connor Thompson, Samuel Dixon, Jack Rosenow, Finlay Cousins, Rhys Grange-Lylak.

RESERVES

Nyora	9.4	15.5	17.12	22.14 (146)
Poowong	00.0	1.3	1.4	2.6 (18)

GOALS, Nyora: Joshua Browne, Jono Hewitt 4, Shaun Lamb 3, Bradley Reiner, Jake Prosser, Gavin Doig, Private Player 2, Tyson Shiell, Lincoln Brock, Brad Draws 1 each.

BEST: Bradley Reiner, Jono Hewitt, Anthony Galley, Brad Draws, Shaun Lamb.

GOALS, Poowong: Joshua Hutton 2.

BEST: Joshua Hutton, Fiachra Staunton, Ben Peters, Rhys Butler, Harrison Sheed.

THIRDS

Ellinbank	5.4	6.5	11.6	13.7 (85)
Poowong	0.2	4.6	4.6	6.6 (42)

GOALS, Ellinbank: Joel Armstrong 7, Hugh Cunningham 3, Jack Champion, Liam Bellio, Samuel Vaughan 1 each.

BEST: Joel Armstrong, Jack Champion, Archie Martel, Thomas Bingham, Tyler Christian, Phillip Conley.

GOALS, Poowong: No goal scorers list.

BEST: No players selected.

FOURTHS

Ellinbank	4.0	7.4	9.5	13.10 (88)
Poowong	1.1	2.1	6.2	6.2 (38)

GOALS, Ellinbank: Hugh Cunningham 3, Luke Callewaert, Taj Irwin, Vincent Onslow 2, Tyler Christian, Joel Armstrong, Shayne Sherry, Blake Handley 1 each.

BEST: Vincent Onslow, Joel Armstrong, Logan Joyce, Jhy Good, Luke Callewaert, Liam Klason.

GOALS, Poowong: Jet Blackwood 3, Bryce Broadmore 2, Kohen Mandermaker 1.

BEST: Kohen Mandemaker, Gavin Monson, Jett Blackwood, Bryce Broadmore, Aaron Damon, Rory Nettle.

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS				
Trafalgar	10.9.69	d	Yarragon	8.8.56
Longwarry	22.16.148	d	N-Darnum	13.9.87
Ellinbank	15.15.105	d	Catani	4.6.30
Buln Buln	16.13.109	d	Neerim Sth	6.5.41

RESERVES				
Yarragon	7.9.51	d	Trafalgar	6.13.49
N-Darnum	11.12.78	d	Longwarry	3.3.21
Ellinbank	7.14.56	d	Catani	4.4.28
Neerim Sth	9.11.65	d	Buln Buln	6.5.41

THIRDS				
Trafalgar	8.6.54	d	Yarragon	4.9.33
Ellinbank		d	Poowong	
Neerim South	6.8.48	d	Buln Buln	4.9.33

FOURTHS				
Trafalgar	7.18.60	d	Yarragon	2.4.16
Longwarry	13.10.88	d	N-Darnum	2.8.20
Neerim Sth	9.10.64	d	Buln Buln	3.2.20

THIS WEEKEND'S DRAW

SATURDAY, JULY 1

ELLINBANK ROUND 13

Lang Lang v Yarragon
Trafalgar v Nilma Darnum
Longwarry v Catani
Ellinbank v Buln Buln
Neerim South v Nyora
Poowong - BYE

MID GIPPSLAND ROUND 11

MDU v Thorpdale
Hill End v Fish Creek
Foster v Newborough
Morwell East v Yinnar
Tarwin v Stony Creek
Toora v Boolarra
Mirboo North - BYE

GIPPSLAND BYE WEEKEND

WEST GIPPSLAND BYE WEEKEND

ELLINBANK & DISTRICT LEAGUE LADDERS

ROUND 12

SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	% WON	FOURTHS	W	L	%	% WON
Buln Buln	11	0	211.69	44	Neerim South	11	0	461.72	44	Neerim South	9	1	234.90	90.0	Neerim South	9	0	399.53	95.0
Ellinbank	9	2	223.15	36	Ellinbank	9	2	309.62	36	Ellinbank	8	2	265.08	80.0	Ellinbank	10	1	371.24	90.9
Trafalgar	8	3	107.47	32	Lang Lang	8	2	284.62	32	Buln Buln	8	2	222.06	80.0	Trafalgar	7	3	184.59	68.2
Neerim South	7	3	260.18	30	Buln Buln	7	4	189.70	28	Yarragon	4	6	74.78	40.0	Longwarry	7	4	110.16	63.3
Poowong	7	4	100.69	28	Catani	6	5	135.21	24	Trafalgar	4	6	64.44	40.0	Lang Lang	5	5	137.63	50.0
Yarragon	4	6	79.35	18	Yarragon	5	6	73.56	20	Longwarry	3	6	67.45	33.3	Buln Buln	5	6	83.99	45.5
Lang Lang	4	6	75.18	16	Trafalgar	4	7	143.91	16	Poowong	2	8	39.03	20.0	Yarragon	1	8	28.61	15.0
Longwarry	4	7	74.97	16	Nyora	4	7	65.24	16	Lang Lang	1	8	40.77	1.1	Poowong	1	9	38.04	13.6
Nyora	3	8	66.89	12	Longwarry	3	8	54.41	12	Catani	0	0	0.00	0	Nilma Darnum	1	10	23.52	9.1
Catani	2	9	68.65	8	Nilma Darnum	3	8	42.09	12	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0	Catani	0	0	0.00	0
Nilma Darnum	0	11	42.89	0	Poowong	0	11	10.88	0	Nilma Darnum	0	0	0.00	0	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0

FISH CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB

MIRBOO NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB



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FISH CREEK	MIRBOO NORTH
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Fish Creek	7.5	11.7	12.10	15.14 (104)
Mirboo North	1.1	1.1	4.2	7.3 (45)

GOALS, Fish Creek: Adam Bright 6, Matthew McGannon, Jordan Shaw 3, Thomas Buillerman, Ayden Wilson, Thomas Cameron 1 each.

BEST: Matthew McGannon, Thomas Cameron, Roland De Biase, Adam Bright, Ayden Wilson, Mathew Watkins.

GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Rh.ys Kratzat 2, Deau Peters, Jesse Chila, Max Woodall, Tarmah Little, Nicholas Cummaudo 1 each.

BEST: Hudson Kerr, Jack Couper, Taj Wilkins, Darcy Brock, Rhys Kratzat, Beau Peters.

RESERVES

Fish Creek	5.3	10.5	12.12	16.16 (112)
Mirboo North	1.2	3.3	3.3	4.3 (27)

GOALS, Fish Creek: Toby Redpath 8, Peter Mueller, Brandon Bell 2 each, Rhys Staley, Bradley Perks, Colin McPhee, Liam Edgelow 1 each.

BEST: Owen Straw, Josh Standfield, Toby Redpath, Colin McPhee, Peter Mueller, Matthew Pocklington.

GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Sam Bradley 2, Lachlan Dight, Oliver Budd 1 each.

BEST: Oliver Budd, Sam Bradley, Beau Kratzat, Angus O'Loughlin, Simon Busuttil, Michael Aveling.

THIRDS

Mirboo Nth	1.3	3.5	6.7	7.9 (51)
Fish Creek/Tarwin	1.1	3.4	5.6	7.8 (50)

GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Jonathan Conlan, Hayden Barnes 2, Lachlan Poljak, Jack Jagusch, Beau Melbourne 1 each.

BEST: Oliver Budd, Jonathan Conlan, Jack Jagusch, Ollie Mahoney, Clancy Snell, Blake Peters.

GOALS, Fish Creek/Tarwin: Tige Brewer 3, Joseph Rysko, Ryan Gwin, Brandon Bell, Alby Edgelow 1 each.

BEST: Zak Bright, Brandon Bell, Tige Brewer, Ryan Gwin, Kye McMillan, Alby Edgelow.

MDU FOOTBALL CLUB



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NEWBOROUGH	MDU
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Newborough	6.2	10.4	11.5	14.9 (93)
MDU	2.2	7.3	8.4	13.6 (84)

GOALS, Newborough: Jake Bishop 4, Jake Bowden, Josh Pearce, Peter Ainsworth, J ack Robinson 2. Hayden Prestidge, Liam Flahavin 1 each

BEST: Patrick Charles, Liam Flahavin, Jake Bishop, Liam Cordner, Hayden Prestidge, Peter Ainsworth.

GOALS, MDU: Darren Sheen 5, Shaye Walsh 3, Jayden Deas 2, Wayne Stewart, Jake Bromley, Timothy Harris 1 each.

BEST: Darren Sheen, Shaye Walsh, Samuel Wilson, Nathan Allen, Jake Bromley, Billy Evers.

RESERVES

Newborough	2.1	4.2	7.3	10.3 (63)
MDU	2.2	5.3	6.5	7.8 (50)

GOALS, Newborough: Corey Nickels 4, Patrick Frendo, Jack Edebohls 2, Dominic McColl, Lachlan Gilroy 1 each

BEST: Jack Edebohls, Sean Burns, Lachlan Gilroy, Dominic McColl, Matthew Stringer, Will Troy.

GOALS, MDU: Jake Brydon 2, Ben Perry, Aaron Trease, Kayden Scrimshaw, Benjamin Maxwell, Jackson Dawson 1 each.

BEST: Max East, Mitchell Hooper, Erik O'Loughlin, Aaron Trease, Rhys Livingstone, Jason Riley.

THIRDS

MDU	4.6	10.12	16.13	19.21 (135)
Newborough	0.0	1.0	1.1	1.2 (8)

GOALS, MDU: Angus Mcinnes 7, Rylie Checkley 5, Harry Scrimshaw 3, Hunter Fennell 2, Ryan Marshman, Lachlan Hibberson 1 each.

BEST: Harry Scrimshaw, Lucas Duvoisin, Rylie Checkley, Archie Casey, Joshua Doolan, Brayden Sellings.

GOALS, Newborough: Macally Brosnan

BEST: William Cuthbertson, Jackson Shields, Tom Wolf, Macally Brosnan, Cooper Hanson, Harrison Gallagher.

Kangaroos outpace Tigers in dominant match

by Rover

FISH Creek produced an opening term blitz of inside-50 entries, that set up its 59-point win over Mirboo North, at Terrill Park on Saturday.

Put simply, Fish Creek's clinically-sound brand of football overwhelmed a below-full-strength Mirboo North.

Missing, due to injury, from the mighty Tigers' winning line-up against Yinnar the previous week were Ethan Woodall, Ben Campbell, Justin Pelligano and Harry Mahoney.

Fish Creek's lushly grassed oval, with neither a weed nor a skerrick of mud anywhere, provided a perfect surface for the Kangaroos' clean ball handlers to run amok and block out their opponents' effectiveness.

As both teams headed to their respective quarter-time huddles, Fish Creek enjoyed a 40-point lead after scoring 7.5 to Mirboo North's 1.1.

Mirboo North was struggling for synergy and its energy levels were also stretched, as Fish Creek's attacking midfielders frequently exposed the Tigers' shortcomings in defence.

Unfortunately for the visitors, Fish Creek continued on its merry way until the main break, adding 4.2 to zero, for a match-winning 66-point advantage.

Matt McGannon, Tom Cameron and Ayden Wilson, all of whom goaled during the second term, took it in turns with teammates, Roland De Biase, Adam Bright and Mathew Watkins to dominate proceedings in the Kangaroos' forward line.

It seemed the Kangaroos were capitalizing on nearly every opportunity that came their way to grab the footy, and drive it down the corridor with aplomb towards the big white sticks.

To Mirboo North's credit, it fought back hard in the third quarter, booting 3.2 and limiting the Kangaroos to 1.3 for the term.

Following a couple of positional changes, the Tigers were more alert and fully-focused on the job at hand.

Some of Mirboo North's successful set plays set the scene for the Tigers' partial recovery on the scoreboard.

At times, Mirboo North's fancy footwork made Fish Creek's attempts to tackle the Tigers look disjointed.

Skipper Hudson Kerr, teenagers Jack Couper and Taj Wilkins, along with Darcy Brock, Rhys Kratzat and Beau Peters, gathered multiple possessions and delivered many of them in a worthy manner to fellow Tigers.

Although winning was out of the question, Mirboo North continued to hold the Kangaroos to account in the final term, by matching the locals' three-goal effort with determined play.

Afterwards, Mirboo North coach, Peter Mongta, praised the Tigers for their improved second-half performance and also highlighted Hayden Barnes and Leigh Jowett's work rates in their senior debuts.

This Saturday, Mirboo North has the bye, after which it hosts Hill End in the club's annual Indigenous Round clash at Tigerland on July 8.



Sam McGannon juggles this spectacular mark to the ground.



The big boys do battle in this ball up.

Demons bravely take the fight to Bulldogs

By Rob Popplestone

borough's home ground, and to their credit, they got awfully close!

Newborough play for each other and the respected Pete Ainsworth, playing his 400th game certainly had the Bulldogs digging even deeper.

But even then, they found it tough to keep the Demons at arms' length.

"We took it right up to Newborough on the weekend. They made us pay for

a few mistakes in the first half, but impressively our boys fought the game out to the final siren," said Nathan Allen, MDU coach.

Both teams showed most of what they have on the weekend, with the Bulldogs pressure without the ball possibly the difference, but make no mistake, with months before the finals, both teams will be significantly improved the next time they meet, which will no doubt be finals time.

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Too many close losses for Stony Creek

AS GOOD as Stony Creek had been over the past month, the reality is that the Lions have suffered too many close losses that appeared on the surface at least.

The difference between what could have been and what is.

Three games shy of where they wanted to be, only a win against an in-form Foster could breathe life into the home team's season, but that desire was but a dream.

"The scoreboard didn't reflect the evenness of the game in my eyes, it was quite physical and contested we felt, which is what we were searching for after an easier month. Our team defence is slowly working better each week," said Sam Davies, Foster coach.

Stony Creek was a little off where they have been in recent weeks, and being a little off against good sides can quickly get out of control

"A disappointing game for us. We had our premiership reunions, so had a lot of club legends watching on. Foster jumped out of the gates early," said Chris Verboon, Stony Creek coach.

"They were able to hold space around stoppages which allowed them to get easy forward entries. "We went away from how we have been playing the last four weeks and still have a lot to work on. "Next week we take on Tarwin who are another in form team. Tarwin versus Stony is always a hard-fought contest."

The Lions appear to have lost touch with the top half of the ladder, but there is absolutely no doubt they will win games that will shape how the final six looks, it's just who and when.



Ash Zuidema boots it down the midline for Stony Creek. Ob15_2623



Foster's Matthew Clark catches Stony Creek with the ball. Ob19_2623

Sharks make a meal out of Magpies

AFTER showing glimpses of what they could do early in the season, the Toora team had become somewhat of a punching bag for opposition teams over the last few weeks, with too many big losses knocking the stuffing out of the Magpies players and their confidence.

Tarwin arrived with the intent of doing exactly the same thing, winning by more than 100 points.

"We played very well for four quarters and our game plan clicked very well," said Troy Hemming, Tarwin coach.

"Couldn't get a better day for footy with the weather down at Toora so that was a bonus too!

"Jack and his men are trying hard, but just lack a bit of talent. I'm sure jack can turn the club around as he is very well respected from all of us at Tarwin. Congratulations to Bobby Williams who played

his 50th senior game."

Times are tough for Toora, but Hemming's respect for the Magpies is echoed by many in the league. That said, winning is reward for hard work and at this stage, Toora needs to somehow find a way to do even more for longer to get rewarded.

"Another tough day. We showed patches of good footy with some decent ball movement into an open forward 50," said Jack Weston, Toora coach.

"Looking forward to getting a few back from injury against Boolarra next week at home who will be tough off the back of a good few weeks."

There is no doubt Toora has the ability to bob their head up with a surprise victory at some stage, but when that might happen and against who is getting harder to pick.



Toora's Harley Hoppner looks for a pass as Toora. Photo: Tarley Maurilli-Pullin.

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

RND 10

STONY CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB

FOSTER FOOTBALL CLUB

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	FOSTER	STONY CREEK
Foster	4.1	6.1 10.5 14.7 (91)
Stony Creek	1.3	2.6 3.6 4.9 (33)

GOALS, Foster: Tom Bartholomew 5, Willem Buursma 4, Mitchell Allot, Matthew Clark, Jonathan Segat, Mitchell Green, Eddie Smith 1 each.

BEST: Oliver Callcott, Tom Bartholomew, James Morris, Matthew Clark, Willem Duursma, Mitchell Green.

GOALS, Stony Creek: Chris Verboon 2, Lachlan Thomas, Jacob Byrnes 1 each.

BEST: Tully Bernaldo, Matt Brown, Jai Bright, Dylan Zuidema, Jacob Byrnes, Mitchell J Rowe.

RESERVES

Stony Creek	4.2	8.2 13.5 15.6 (96)
Foster	2.0	5.1 5.1 5.3 (33)

GOALS, Stony Creek: Colby Michael 5, Ryan McKnight, Glenn Gray, Shawn Brett 2, Brett McKnight, Andrew Verboon, Troy Shepherdson, Nick Svenson 1 each.

BEST: Colby Michael, Lucas Byrnes, Shaun Cope, Brett McKnight, Nick Svenson, Bryce Rawson.

GOALS, Foster: Jacob Albrecht 4, Jake Chaseling 1.

BEST: Mikey House, Ben Tillack, Jacob Albrecht, Toby House, Lee Hulse, Jason Smith.

THIRDS

Foster	9.2	12.7 12.10 16.13 (109)
Yinnar	1.0	3.1 5.1 7.2 (44)

GOALS, Foster: Nathan Gundrill 8, Willem Duursma 2, Jedd Davy, Flynn Lomax, Jack Rathjen, Cooper Butinar, Darby Hoskins, Will Roffey 1 each.

BEST: Jedd Davy, Nathan Gundrill, Will Roffey, Albert Hercus, Leevi Lidstone, Darby Hoskins.

GOALS, Yinnar: Harvey McKay 4, Dylan Hobbs, Jay Rogalsky, Will Xerri 1 each.

BEST: Harvey McKay, Presley Podmore, Noah McCafferty, Luke Douch, Ryder Makepeace, Jack Robertson.

TOORA FOOTBALL CLUB

TARWIN FOOTBALL CLUB

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	TARWIN	TOORA
Tarwin	5.6	11.7 15.8 23.11 (149)
Toora	2.20	2.30 3.50 3.5 (42)

GOALS, Tarwin: Tom Crocker 6, Jamie Cann 3, Kaj Patterson, Jason Kennedy, Royce Patterson 2, Tom Vanderkolk, Kyle Cooper, Ben Ellen, Tyson Hanegraaf, Matt Zagni, Hugh Suckling, Matthew Williams, Ryan Waddell 1 each.

BEST: Tom Crocker, Nathan McRae, Kyle Cooper, Matthew Williams, Reagan Jones, Matt Zagni.

GOALS, Toora: Jarryd Guganovic 2, Mason O'Sullivan, Josh Toner, Chotnyang Puok, Harley Hoppner 1 each.

BEST: Ben East, Jake Dows, Nathan Nicholls, Josh Toner, Riley Hewson, Jordan Knox.

RESERVES

Tarwin	0.1	3.5 6.8 10.10 (70)
Toora	1.5	2.6 3.6 5.6 (36)

GOALS, Tarwin: Todd Lomax 4, Daniel Hales 3, William Blundy, Robert Houston, Ben Chalmers 1 each.

BEST: Gabriel Brennan, Stuart Kilsby, Todd Lomax, Travis Cameron, Harrison Cumming, Joshua Carmody.

GOALS, Toora: James Maurilli-Pullin 4, Jake Mabilia 1.

BEST: Leigh de Boer, Shawn Vening, Luke Anedda, Jarrod Vening, Trent Vening, Jake Mabilia.

THIRDS

Mirboo Nth	1.3	3.5 6.7 7.9 (51)
Fish Creek/Tarwin	1.1	3.4 5.6 7.8 (50)

GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Jonathan Conlan, Hayden Barnes 2, Lachlan Poljak, Jack Jagusch, Beau Melbourne 1 each.

BEST: Oliver Budd, Jonathan Conlan, Jack Jagusch, Ollie Mahoney, Clancy Snell, Blake Peters.

GOALS, Fish Creek/Tarwin: Tige Brewer 3, Joseph Rysko, Ryan Gwin, Brandon Bell, Alby Edgelow 1 each.

BEST: Zak Bright, Brandon Bell, Tige Brewer, Ryan Gwin, Kye McMillan, Alby Edgelow.

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS

Boolarra	15.8.98	d	Morwell East	9.14.68
Yinnar	13.13.91	d	Hill End	5.6.36

RESERVES

Morwell East	28.17.185	d	Boolarra	0.1.1
Yinnar	19.16.130	d	Hill End	1.4.10



MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS										ROUND 10			
SENIORS					RESERVES					THIRDS			
	W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	pts		W	L	pts
Newborough	9	0	179.96	36	Tarwin	8	1	354.88	32	MDU	7	2	137.61 28
Yinnar	7	2	136.73	28	Newborough	8	1	259.47	32	Mirboo North	6	3	169.36 24
Foster	6	3	201.53	24	MDU	7	3	307.78	28	Foster	6	3	140.33 24
MDU	6	4	147.04	24	Yinnar	7	2	223.74	28	Yinnar	5	5	116.60 20
Tarwin	6	3	122.96	24	Toora	7	2	205.72	28	Fish Creek/Tarwin	4	9	144.55 16
Fish Creek	6	3	112.70	24	Fish Creek	5	4	154.47	20	Newborough	0	8	12.81 0
Thorpdale	5	4	124.36	20	Morwell East	4	5	104.17	16	Stony Creek	0	0	0.00 0
Morwell East	4	5	107.92	16	Stony Creek	4	5	75.80	16	Hill End	0	0	0.00 0
Boolarra	4	5	85.14	16	Thorpdale	4	5	74.85	16	Toora	0	0	0.00 0
Mirboo North	4	6	78.52	16	Hill End	3	7	45.02	16	Boolarra	0	0	0.00 0
Stony Creek	2	7	78.22	8	Mirboo North	2	7	47.18	12	Thorpdale	0	0	0.00 0
Toora	1	8	34.34	4	Boolarra	1	8	25.08	4	Morwell East	0	0	0.00 0
Hill End	0	10	49.16	0	Foster	0	9	26.68	0				



Jenson Garnham kicks down the mid-line while his opponent looks the other way. Ob09_2623



Jack Ginnane boots the ball through for a goal. Ob08_2623

GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS					RND 11	
LEONGATHA FOOTBALL CLUB						
	180		33			
LEONGATHA		WARRAGUL				
Leongatha	6.4	17.10	22.17	26.34	(180)	
Warragul	2.0	2.0	5.3	5.3	(33)	
GOALS, Leongatha: Aaron Heppell 5, Tallin Brill 4, Cameron Olden, Jesse Burns 3, Trent McRae, Kim Drew, Jenson Garnham, Jack Ginnane 2, Thomas Marriott, Cade Maskell, Noah Fixter 1 each.						
BEST: Aaron Heppell, Tallin Brill, Thomas Marriott, Jesse Burns, Kim Drew, Jenson Garnham.						
GOALS, Warragul: Corbin Sutherland 5.						
BEST: Corbin Sutherland, Sean Masterson, Cooper Alger, Kai MacLean, Brad Hefford, Alby Phillips.						
RESERVES					0.0 (0)	Forfeit
THIRDS						
Warragul	2.6	5.7	8.7	9.9	(63)	
Leongatha	0.1	3.4	5.6	7.6	(48)	
GOALS, Warragul: Heath Jinks 3, Caleb McIntosh, Charlie McLean 2, Kyle Baker, Lucas Carter 1 each.						
BEST: Lachlan French, Matthew Cahill, Kyle Baker, Heath Jinks, Bailey Rainford, Xavier Olsson.						
GOALS, Leongatha: Jhett Brown, Aydan Williams, Will Brown, Tyler Richards, Beau Grabham Andrews, Hugh Livingston, Fin Donohue 1 each.						
BEST: Nathan Skewes, Tyler Richards, Jett Clark, Sebastian Borg, Finn Donohue.						
FOURTHS						
Leongatha	3.1	5.2	7.8	10.11	(71)	
Warragul	3.1	7.3	7.4	9.5	(59)	
GOALS, Leongatha: Mitchell Croatto 5, Klayton McGrath, Aydan Williams, Blake McRae, Timmothy Hibberson, Thomas Geary 1 each.						
BEST: Aydan Williams, Finn Donohue, Jhett Brown, Mitchell Croatto, Hayden Bowler, Eli Pitts.						
GOALS, Warragul: Oliver Wilson 3, Caleb McIntosh, Cooper Beckley 2, Finn Sheehan, Harry Hodge 1 each.						
BEST: Xavier Olsson, Oliver Wilson, Darcy Paul, Caleb McIntosh, Oliver Spath, Cooper Beckley.						



Leongatha senior debutant Noah Fixter stands proudly between his grandfather Graham and dad Alister after the Parrots' big win over Warragul. A03_2623

Parrots pluck Gulls

LEONGATHA marked the 100th senior game of spearhead Jack Ginnane and Noah Fixter's senior debut with a thumping 147-point win over a severely depleted Warragul side.

While it wasn't a memorable contest, magic moments will long be recalled by the Parrots and their fans, especially Fixter's strong contested mark that set up his first major in the ones.

Although the debutant didn't add to his goal tally, he did plenty that won praise from coach Trent McMicking, performing well on a wing and up forward.

"He attacked the footy hard and was really good in the air," McMicking said.

Fixter's grandparents Graham and Elaine, stalwart Parrots who have held committee roles, were thrilled to see Noah start his senior career, as was his dad Alister who played over 230 games for Leongatha.

Ginnane's 100 senior games are in addition to his contribution as a Leongatha junior.

While he finished with only a couple of goals, Ginnane again created opportunities for teammates.

"He led up well and hit the contest hard," McMicking said.

Onball powerhouse Aaron Heppell was best afield, with the midfielder not only bringing his forwards into the game with his incisive delivery but booting five goals of his own.

Bustling Tallin Brill earns mention regularly and did so again, booting four majors and continuing to provide the perfect blend of physicality and skill.

Zippy Jesse Burns reads the play well and again proved elusive for the opposition, this time slotting three goals, a total matched by Leongatha teammate and Richmond VFL player Cam Olden.

A blistering 11 goal to none second quarter set up a 100-point halftime advantage for the Parrots.

That was extended to a 116-point lead at three quarter time, with a deluge then setting in.

A spectacular rainbow hovering over the ground was a last quarter highlight, with the downpour soon over.

While Leongatha couldn't match its second quarter output in the slippery final term conditions, it still added an impressive four goals.

Warragul is currently so undermanned, the Gulls were unable to field a Reserves side against Leongatha.

Corbin Sutherland was a bright spot for the beaten team, being its best player and booting all five of the Gulls' goals.

He played forward then went into the midfield, kicking goals in both roles.

Leongatha now has a bye before a testing couple of weeks against local rival Wonthaggi, then Traralgon.

McMicking noted the bye will be treated differently according to each player's circumstance, with a few blokes needing a bit of work while others require a rest.



Tallin Brill takes off with the ball and kicks towards goals as Warragul spectators look on. Ob11_2623



Leongatha players are all out in front and dominating the play against Warragul. Ob12_2623



Leongatha's Tallin Brill leads his Warragul opponent Jake Hughes in the race for the footy. A04_2623



Aaron Heppell flies up and punches the ball out of Warragul's possession. Ob14_2623



Wonthaggi's Tom Davey makes a desperate attempt to smother this relieving kick by Moe defender Charlie Rieniets as the Lions roar back into the contest in the third quarter.

How Power won it, but almost lost it

DON'T poke the bear, they say, but that might also apply to poking the Lion as well.

Because it was a late bump on star Moe sharp-shooter, Bill Gowers, midway through the second quarter, prompting a brief melee of players, that seemed to kick-start a previously lethargic Lions' offensive.

Where they had trailed the visiting Wonthaggi Power side by six goals to one at that stage, and in pretty much every aspect of the game, the home side put on three goals to one by half time and closed the gap to just three points by the last change, with a burst of four goals to one.

It was 'game on' from there to the final siren and it was to the credit of Wonthaggi Power that they were able to collect themselves again, match Moe in the final 28 minutes, and eke out a thrilling, but nonetheless vital one-point win.

They'll bank the four points as they head into the school holidays bye next Saturday, sitting in second place on the ladder, content with an excellent body of work over the first 11 rounds of the season, including nine wins and two losses.

But the only thing the result really proved is that premiership glory this season awaits the team that turns up on the day; almost certainly out of Leongatha, Wonthaggi and Moe.

Moe looked to have started the match on Saturday better than Wonthaggi, attacking through a winning ruck, Chris

Prowse, and the good efforts of Riley Baldi, Ben Daniher and Grady Cocksedge but only points to Nick Prowse and Bill Gowers resulted.

Jack Blair produced a goal-saving tackle, that set the standard for others, and it was then Power's turn to go on the attack with first-quarter goals to Jack Hutchinson, Cooper McInnes and Aiden Lindsay before Moe got their first via a Matt Heywood snap late in the quarter.

But Power was clearly out-playing them.

Tom Murray, Brodie Mabilia, Ryan Sparkes and Aiden Lindsay on the ball and the well-drilled defenders had all kicked into gear. The forward pressure was good, and Jaxon Williams, in his second senior game for the year, was adding something out on the wing.

Despite Toma Huther having his hands full with a taller opponent in the ruck, the Power had won five centre breaks to nil in the first term, and they continued on from there in the second quarter.

Straight out of the blocks after the first huddle, Isaac Chugg kicked one of the goals of the year, check-sided from the boundary, off one step and McInnes followed up with two more.

Wonthaggi was out-tackling, out-marking, out-running and out-scoring the opposition and they had all Moe's scoring options, especially with Jordan Staley on Bill Gowers, covered. It was 'how far' the

Power until about the 20-minute mark of the second quarter when Gowers was floored after taking a mark.

He was marched 50 metres to the goal line for Moe's second and when he looped around behind teammate Ben Daniher only minutes later, accepted the handpass and dobbed one through from beyond 50 metres, the Lions were finally up and about.

Calm in a crisis at the last change, coach Jarryd Blair was strategic rather than scathing, concentrating on roles, work rate and delivery but he warned the umpires might want to get involved the maintain control.

He was right. Toma Huther won an early free kick, got it forward to Jack Hutchinson, who also earned a free before kicking his third goal of the day, a crucial one, but also Power's last.

Thereafter, it was a contest dominated by the defences of both teams; led for Moe by their intercept-marking king Declan Keilty and playmaker Charlie Rieniets, but featuring the likes of Staley on the dangerous Gowers up the other end, Kyle Reid, Tim Knowles, Jack Blair, Shannon Bray, Josh Schulz and other Power contributors to a team defence.

The ball went up and back until a feat of individual brilliance by Moe's Jacob Wood, spinning out of a pack and kicking over his head from 30 metres, brought up full points.

Moe had cut the lead to two

points with a couple of minutes to play.

Moe went into attack straight out of the centre, to where Jordan Staley again got the better of Gowers, Kyle Reid stopped the Lion's Ben Daniher, Jack Blair laid another key tackle and Aiden Lindsay kicked out of the danger zone.

But in a tangle of bodies near the top of the 50-metre arc, Tom Davey was pinged for a throw that might just as easily have been a quick hand-pass to Tom Murray and Moe defender Scott van Dyke was awarded a free kick, 45 metres out directly in front, with little more than a minute on the clock.

He hit the kick pretty well, but it faded right and through the points... just one behind separated the teams with a minute and change to go.

Toma Huther and Aiden Lindsay played important roles in bottling the ball up on the outer wing. Jarryd Blair was desperate and when the ball did come in for a last-gasp Moe attack, one of Power's best on the day, Tim Knowles, was standing there to take a hotly-contested mark to save the day... siren!


"I thought we played well all day, but they're a good side. They were always going to come back at us," said Jarryd Blair afterwards.

The Power now have their sights firmly set on neighbouring rivals Leongatha, on Saturday, July 8, after the league-wide bye, at Wonthaggi.


GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

RND 11

WONTHAGGI FOOTBALL CLUB



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	WONTHAGGI		MOE	
Wonthaggi	3.4	7.8	8.9	9.9 (63)
Moe	1.2	4.3	8.6	9.8 (62)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Cooper McInnes 4, Jack Hutchinson 3, Aiden Lindsay, Isaac Chugg 1 each.
BEST: Aiden Lindsay, Tim Knowles, Jarryd Blair, Kyle Reid, Jordan Staley, Jack Blair.

GOALS, Moe: Bill Gowers 3, Jacob Wood, Riley Baldi, Matthew Heywood, Ben Daniher, Nick Prowse, Lucas Forato 1 each.
BEST: Grady Cocksedge, Declan Keilty, Jacob Wood, Thomas Long, Riley Baldi, Charlie Rieniets.

RESERVES

Wonthaggi	0.4	1.7	1.10	4.12 (36)
Moe	1.0	3.2	3.2	3.5 (23)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Wayne Luke, Jakeb Thomas, Andrew Murray, Reeve Moresco 1 each.
BEST: Jakeb Thomas, Hunter Tiziani, Jye Gilmour, Travis Krause, Wayne Luke, Ethan Dickson.

GOALS, Moe: John Chessells 2, Lachlan Rees 1.
BEST: Lachlan Rees, Liam Weir, Justin Morrow, Tyler Morrow, Lucas Fry, Samuel Morrow.

FOURTHS

Moe	2.3	5.6	7.7	8.7 (55)
Wonthaggi	2.0	3.1	4.2	5.3 (33)

GOALS, Moe: Thomas Matthews 4, Jordan Shields 2, Andre Battista, Darcy Walsh 1 each.
BEST: Lucas Earl, James Declan Pace, Bobby Higgins, Michael Hasthorpe, Max Edebohls, Ethan Wildblood.

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Jaxon Brouwers 2, Nathan Patch, Thomas MacMillan, Nate Pugh 1 each.
BEST: Jayden Burns, Thomas MacMillan, Connor MacMillan, Jaxon Brouwers, Ayden Fawaz, Archie Jobe.

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS

Sale	9.9.63	d	Maffra	6.8.48
Drouin	10.20.80	d	Bairnsdale	8.5.53
Traralgon		d	Morwell	

RESERVES

Sale	7.6.48	d	Maffra	3.9.27
Bairnsdale	14.13.97	d	Drouin	5.3.33
Traralgon	9.13.67	d	Morwell	3.4.22

THIRDS

Maffra	4.4.49	d	Sale	3.3.21
Bairnsdale	7.7.49	d	Drouin	3.2.20
Traralgon	18.16.124	d	Morwell	2.2.14

FOURTHS

Maffra	16.9.105	d	Sale	3.8.26
Bairnsdale	7.10.52	d	Drouin	7.3.45
Traralgon	12.9.81	d	Morwell	7.9.51

GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS

ROUND 11

SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	pts	FOURTHS	W	L	%	pts
Leongatha	10	1	235.09	40	Leongatha	9	2	309.56	36	Traralgon	10	0	372.86	40	Traralgon	11	0	392.28	44
Wonthaggi	9	2	210.02	36	Traralgon	8	3	175.47	32	Maffra	8	1	153.71	32	Maffra	9	2	213.97	36
Moe	9	2	156.54	36	Wonthaggi	8	3	169.46	32	Leongatha	7	3	131.51	28	Bairnsdale	9	2	182.23	36
Traralgon	9	2	134.32	36	Maffra	7	4	151.32	28	Bairnsdale	6	3	154.47	26	Moe	8	3	145.96	32
Sale	5	6	97.70	20	Moe	7	4	136.76	28	Warragul	6	4	150.42	24	Leongatha	6	5	135.09	24
Morwell	4	7	81.34	16	Sale	6	5	107.37	24	Moe	3	6	44.24	12	Drouin	5	6	93.95	20
Bairnsdale	3	7	71.05	14	Bairnsdale	5	6	121.51	20	Sale	1	8	70.45	6	Warragul	3	8	83.28	12
Maffra	2	8	60.85	10	Morwell	4	7	91.56	16	Morwell	1	9	44.42	4	Sale	2	9	41.87	8
Warragul	2	9	40.13	8	Warragul	1	9	16.99	4	Drouin	1	9	40.63	4	Wonthaggi	2	9	39.35	8
Drouin	1	10	69.22	0	Drouin	0	11	21.47	0	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0	Morwell	0	11	21.40	0

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Phillip Island 16.17.113 d Garfield 4.6.30

Nar Nar Goon 24.13.157 d Korumburra-Bena 1.6.12

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KORUMBURRA FOOTBALL CLUB

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NAR NAR GOON	KORUMBURRA-BENA
Nar Nar Goon 8.4	10.6 21.11 24.13 (157)
Kor-Bena 0.0	0.2 0.3 1.6 (12)
GOALS Dermott Yawney 7, Troy McDermott 3, Jed Smith, Jed Murphy, Deon Boavida, Mitchell Homfray, Clancy Pope 2, Flynn Parker, Tex Marsham, Matthew Homfray 1 each.	
BEST: Nate Picicelli, Jed Smith, Aidan Picicelli, Jed Murphy, Deon Boavida, Dermott Yawney.	
GOALS, Kor-Bena: Evan Allaway 1.	
BEST: Jay Walker, Tyson Findlay, Jasper Macri, Codie Anderson, Joel Cuman, Jed Harris.	
RESERVES	
Nar Nar Goon 7.2	10.5 18.7 23.13 (151)
Kor-Bena 1.0	1.0 1.0 2.1 (13)
BEST, Nar Nar Goon: Daniel Mason, Chris Power, Euan Grierson, Bayley Tytler, Cooper Newnham, Jack Murphy.	
BEST, Kor-Bena: Luke Walker, Steven Hancock, Jordan Grabham, Austin Gurnett, Jordan Desmond, Alessi Green.	
THIRDS	
Nar Nar Goon 2.3	6.6 7.10 15.11 (101)
Kor-Bena 0.0	1.1 3.1 3.1 (19)
BEST, Nar Nar Goon: Mason Walker, Mitch Moresco, Noah Airdrie, Kyron Smith, Toby Cramer, Daniel Cross.	
BEST, Kor-Bena: Jake Fowles, Zachary Barrett, Codie Anderson, William Croatto, Zac Grabham, Braith Minchin.	
FOURTHS	
Nar Nar Goon 3.6	7.10 9.14 11.15 (81)
Kor-Bena 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.2 (2)
BEST, Nar Nar Goon: Dean Bailey, Archer Radings, Kaelen Henry, Matthew Cross, Oliver Ratten, James Cross.	
BEST, Kor-Bena: Tanner Walker, Indie Cameron, Jesse Gollop, Callum Donohue, Max Fowles, Sam Hill.	

DALYSTON FOOTBALL CLUB

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WARRAGUL IND	DALYSTON
Warragul Ind 5.2	12.8 18.9 24.10 (154)
Dalyston 2.5	4.8 6.11 9.12 (66)
GOALS, Warragul Ind.: Mason McGarrity 7, Kyle Staples 5, Shane Brewster 4, Alizander Tauru 3, Travis Ogden, Bailey Beck, Todd Beck, Michael Debenham, Nic Visser 1 each.	
BEST: Kyle Staples, Shane Brewster, Alizander Tauru, Mason McGarrity, Kane Oldham, Michael Debenham.	
GOALS, Dalyston: Hayden Wallis 4, Blake Carew, Brayden Bowes, Kurt Thomas, Curtis Murfett, Mason Storr 1 each.	
BEST: Curtis Murfett, Kurt Thomas, Hayden Wallis, Michael Harris, William Clarke, Ben Lewis.	
RESERVES	
Warragul Ind 5.4	6.6 8.9 12.10 (82)
Dalyston 0.3	1.3 2.5 2.7 (19)
BEST, Warragul Ind.: Kane Taylor, Tyler Irving, Michael Ablett, Jack Commadeur, James Brown.	
BEST, Dalyston: Troy Alford, Dean Wylie, Mitchell Davey, Robert Davey, Tyler woolan, Dylan Tiziani.	
THIRDS	
Warragul Ind 5.2	12.8 18.9 24.10 (134)
Dalyston 0.0	0.0 0.2 0.3 (3)
BEST Warragul Ind: Malual Aleer, Declan Burton, Ethan Nalder, Arli Fleming, Toby Goswell, Lachy Braybon,	
BEST, Dalyston: Chase Krause, Sebastian Ori, Campbell Bell, Keyva Kay-Darts, Ryan Cargill.	
FOURTHS	
Warragul Ind 3.3	8.8 12.11 18.15 (123)
Dalyston 1.1	1.1 2.1 2.1 (13)
BEST:Samuel Grummisch, Tom Logan, Noah McDonald, Rylan Butler, Zack Reid, Zachary Thompson.	
BEST Dalyston: Cooper Shepherd, Noah Forrest Mabilia, campbell bell, Riley Brinkman, Max Toler, Lincoln Harris.	

Brighter times ahead for Korumburra Bena

KORUMBURRA Bena playing coach Paul Fermanis is looking to brighter times at the club, highlighting some of the young mid-fielders who will be the Giants' future.

At three quarter time, he noted the improved efforts of his players, particularly in the midfield after a harrowing first quarter.

Current vice captain Joel Cuman, Codie Anderson and Jay Walker were mentioned at the final change as being among those who will lead the club into better times, with the trio putting their skills on show in the mid-field during the last quarter.

"Joel is a very good young midfielder, gets plenty of the footy and he's just got a lot of time and poise and great skills; so the more established he is as a senior footballer, he'll certainly be one to watch in the future," Fermanis said.

"Jay has been in our best every week; he gets the hard ball and looks to take the game on.

"Against the wind we moved him to half back and he managed to get the ball and run and carry; he always does the right things, hits targets and moves the footy how we plan to."

Anderson backed up in the seniors after playing in the Thirds, with the senior coach saying he is already having a huge impact in the firsts, having only recently turned 18.

"We're all looking forward to seeing these young guys develop," Fermanis said.

Tyson Findlay took on a difficult task against Nar Nar Goon's skipper Trent Armour on a wing early, later contributing strongly in the midfield.

Jasper Macri played one of his best games for the club, helping steady the ship down back.

The Giants again had injury misfortune. Christian Sewell suffered broken ribs, coach Fermanis a calf injury and Byron Walker a relatively minor knee issue.

While Fermanis was upbeat about the Giants' improved effort during Saturday's game and the club's bright future, he didn't mince his words at quarter time, providing constructive criticism.

The Giants try to stop the ball from Nar Nar Goon going through the posts again. Ob04_2623

Magpies' hopes dusted away in Warragul

DALYSTON'S win/loss ratio slid into negative territory as the Dusties showed them the template to success with a comprehensive four-quarter display.

The 2022 preliminary finalists wore the early enthusiastic challenge the Magpies posed and progressively drew away from them, quarter by quarter, to win hand-somely by 88-points.

In sunny conditions, the visiting team burst out of the blocks with Kurt Thomas nailing a goal within 52 seconds.

In turn, the Dusties composed themselves with goals to Debenham and Bailey Beck before Dalyston levelled the scores with Blake Carew completing Monson's excellent pass.

Unfortunately, the Magpies failed to capitalise on two further set shot opportunities while their more efficient hosts owned the last 10 minutes of the

quarter snagging three goals on their way to a 15-point lead.

This burst of momentum continued into the second term with the Dusties maintaining complete forward 50 dominance. Mason McGarrity and Shane Brewster were pivotal targets and in tandem were directly responsible for three consecutive goals.

Continuing his excellent form, Curtis Murfett answered for the Pies however his team seemed out of their depth. The Dusties were displaying an innate ability to connect with well-timed handpasses to thread through the Dalyston defence and the goals continued to flow.

Behind by 50-points at half-time, Dalyston didn't seem to have too many answers as the clouds came in and the afternoon darkened.

A relayed free gave McGarrity a kick

start to the third and when veteran Brewster swung the next through from the boundary the writing was on the wall.

To their credit, the Pies kept their chins up and goals to Storr and Wallis rewarded the persistence of Clarke, Harris and Lewis who had given their all further afield.

From that point the game finished off in a similar vein with the Dusties' precision passing allowing quality finishes in front of the big sticks. The home team, with their fire power, kicked nine of the next twelve goals to solidify their position in the top six.

The Magpies will need to regroup over the bye weekend in hope of rekindling their early season form. They will host Cora Lynn in Round 12, who will be still smarting from their loss to Dalyston earlier in the season.

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Bulldogs overpower Stars in scrappy contest

MANY changes again for the Bulldogs this week.

Experienced defenders Damien Holmes and Jason Tomada were joined by Tarquin McMillan in the backline, whilst Cameron Brown and Jack Papas returned to the forward line, the latter after an unfortunate vehicle accident saw Noah Bee-Hickman a late withdrawal. Jack Opitz returned to the seniors as well.

Still fielding eight players under 21, the youthfulness of the Bulldogs was offset by the Garfield Stars with many young players making up their improving list.

The Bulldogs took the spirit of the occasion to heart, offering our 'Pink' matchday footballs for the Breast Cancer support day – an offer whole-heartedly accepted by Garfield.

In perfect conditions at the start, the game was to be competitive all day, with the young Stars pushing the Bulldogs in all aspects. With the pink ball flying, it looked as though the Bulldogs were finding the ball slippery and difficult to handle, the opposite of the Stars who seemed far more assured with their ball movement.

After an early arm wrestle, the Bulldogs were able to gain more forward presence and penetration. With Max Blake dominant, and Jack (twinkle toes) Taylor dancing through the forward line and goaling, the Bulldogs hit quarter time with a 21-7 lead.

The ruck rotations of Pedersen, Bourke and Jai Jordan took over in the second, feeding the midfield being led by Hayden Bruce and causing a lot of problems for the Garfield defence. Goals early in the second to Pedersen and Jai (after a wonderful interception from a Garfield kick-out) were the highlights until Max Blake stepped up with a strong mark and goal from 50.

The Stars wouldn't give in and found a goal with a strong mark from Lachie Spinks and things tightened. Then some more Taylor magic – this time from Billy Taylor – and the Bulldogs entered the half time break 49-17 up.

After something of a lecture from coach Pedersen on ground at half time, the Bull-



Pink was the theme for the Bulldogs over the weekend as Jai Jordan boots it. Photo: Carol Ratcliff

dogs started even more slowly, with Lachie Spinks stepping up for his second, and a difference of just 26 points.

Suddenly something clicked for the Bulldogs. Max Blake hit the goals and then back man turned forward Mark (Griffo) Griffin took a couple of great marks – the first of which was kicked like a back-man, but then a beautiful goal conversion following soon after.

Ben Taylor showed that dancing feet ran in the Taylors line, resulting in a

goal! Cam Pedersen continued dominating, Bryce Hindhaugh stepped in, and Daniel Bourke put the final nail in the third quarter coffin for the Stars. A 92-23 lead at three quarter time seemed fair.

The last stanza opened with a typical Victorian winter weather blast. The Bulldogs managed to kick a couple more goals, whilst the Stars were able to maintain their consistency with a single goal, thereby scoring a goal in every quarter.

Sea Eagles maintain winning streak

INVERLOCH-Kongwak proved its dominance in the anticipated top of the table clash against Tooradin-Dalmore on Saturday.

Playing in all four seasons, it was an impressive line of defence that secured the 35-point victory for the Sea Eagles.

Coach Tom Hams said the wet conditions forced a highly contested match, but a six-goal effort – three of which kicked by Toby Mahoney – in the first half set the away team up for the rest of the game.

Mahoney opened the Sea Eagles' account with a set shot.

Tooradin-Dalmore replied with a free kick to Timothy Lenders, followed by a great mark from Mahoney to get his second.

The defence held up well in the second quarter as the Sea Eagles kicked against

the wind.

Tooradin-Dalmore opened with a great coast to coast goal, finished with an excellent snap from Brad Butler.

Mahoney had his third with a set shot from the dead pocket boundary.

Nicholas Baltas had a fantastic front and centre crumbing snap to extend the lead, with Will Turner taking the match into half time with a classy finish on his left foot after pressuring a turnover.

The weather took a turn in the third quarter.

Cal O'Flynn got the scoreboard going, and Tom Hams extended the buffer.

Tooradin-Dalmore kicked a terrific snap in response, but Inverloch-Kongwak went coast to coast with Ethan Park running into an open goal after sneaking on straight from the interchange to find

himself 40 metres clear.

The sun returned to see out the final quarter, but the conditions caused a scrappy end to the match.

Lachlan Scott worked hard up forward to kick the opener.

The Sea Eagles knew the tricky conditions would be a trial against the dangerous Tooradin-Dalmore side, so they were strategically defensive by design, working hard to reduce scoring opportunities.

Both teams have learned a lot, setting up a thrilling rematch on August 5.



Heading into the bye week, Inverloch-Kongwak will be preparing for its next clash against Warragul Industrials.

The Dusties have proven to be a handy side and are coming off a resounding win over Dalyston, so Inverloch-Kongwak is anticipating a challenge.

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INVERLOCH-KONGWAK FOOTBALL CLUB

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INVERLOCH-K		TOORADIN DAL	
Inverloch-K	3.2	6.3	9.7
Tooradin-Dal:	3.2	6.3	9.7
GOALS, Inverloch-K:	Toby Mahoney 3, Tom Hams 2, William Turner, Ethan Park, Nicholas Baltas, Lachlan Scott, Callan O'Flynn 1 each.		
BEST:	Ethan Park, Thomas Wyatt, Oscar Toussaint, Marcus Toussaint, Nicholas Baltas, Tate Short.		
GOALS, Tooradin-Dal:	Brad Butler 2, Matthew Livermore, Timothy Lenders 1 each.		
BEST:	Cooper Shipp, Trent Adams, Brad Lenders, Lewis Hill, Hayden Bertoli-Simmonds, Brad Butler.		
RESERVES			
Tooradin-Dal:	4.2	6.4	7.5
Inverloch-K:	0.1	0.3	1.3
GOALS, Tooradin-Dal:	Shannon Campbell 2, Ben Sellings, Jake O'Donnell, Tadhg O'Riordan, Brett Coffey, Justin Smaluch, Corey Provan, Troy Dolan, 1 each.		
BEST:	Ned Harrison, Jack Denereaz, Ray Lengyel, Troy Dolan, Mitch Forgiarini, Corey Provan.		
GOALS, Inverloch-K:	Xavier Hughes, Dylan Clark, Lucas Harmer 1 each.		
BEST:	Jasper Kempster, Jaxon Hayes, Xavier Hughes, Callum McKenzie, Todd Mackie, Jacob Strickland.		
THIRDS			
Tooradin-Dal:	1.1	4.3	4.6
Inverloch-K:	2.3	3.4	5.5
BEST, Tooradin-Dal:	Matthew Shaw, Jack Grist, Logan Downe, Shannon Wakefield, Brody Campbell, Cooper Bassett.		
BEST, Inverloch-K:	Tate Rigby, Cade Brown, Jai Williamson, Jasper Cousins, Harry Butcher, Archie Terlich.		
FOURTHS			
Inverloch-K	3.1	4.1	6.2
Tooradin-Dal:	1.0	2.1	2.2
BEST, Inverloch-K:	Augustus Finsterer, Jasper Cousins, Archie Terlich, Froleay Anderson, James O'Neill, Harrison Foster.		
BEST, Tooradin-Dal:	Vasilii Papas, Chayse Campbell, Jayden Worrall, Lenny Goldberg, Mason Sorenson, Harrison Hardy.		

PHILLIP ISLAND FOOTBALL CLUB

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PHILLIP ISLAND		GARFIELD	
Phillip Island	3.3	7.7	13.14
Garfield	1.1	2.5	3.5
GOALS, Phillip Island:	Cameron Pedersen 4, Max Blake 3, Kai Mackenzie, Daniel Bourke 2, Billy Taylor, Bryce Hindhaugh, Jai Jordan, Jack Taylor, Mark Griffin 1 each.		
BEST:	Mark Griffin, Hayden Bruce, Cameron Pedersen, Jack Taylor, Billy Taylor, Max Blake.		
GOALS, Garfield:	Jahmain Harrison, Mark Griffiths, Angus Emery, Lachie Spinks 1 each.		
BEST:	Joel Batson, Jack Barnes, Jack Tenace-Greenall, Finn Hower, Christopher Diston, Zac Soutar.		
RESERVES			
Phillip Island	3.5	4.6	7.7
Garfield	1.1	2.4	5.6
GOALS, Phillip Island:	Dylan Susic, Kevin Taylor, Harry Anderson 2, Dean Blake, Luke Glossop 1 each.		
BEST:	Todd Cleeland, Kirby Fuller, Darcy Saw, James Nicolaci, Jett McMillan, Kevin Taylor		
GOALS, Garfield:	Liam Reid 4, Tyler Constantine 2, Jack Salan, Riley Youssef 1 each.		
BEST:	Liam Reid, Riley Youssef, Tyler Constantine, Matthew Bow, Jason Pisa, Oliver Whibley,		
THIRDS			
Garfield	3.0	6.1	8.2
Phillip Island	2.1	3.2	6.4
BEST Garfield:	Ben Tenace-Greenall, Kain O'Dwyer, Archer Burgmann, Jake VanDenBerghe, Theo Zaccari.		
BEST Phillip Island:	Zac Walker, Beau Davies, Darcy Thompson, James Lewis, Brayden Kleverkamp, Noah Muller.		
FOURTHS			
Phillip Island	4.4	8.5	14.8
Garfield	0.0	1.1	1.1
GOALS, Phillip Island:	Noah Williams, Jasper Cashman, Joel, Robinson 3, Max Kelsey 2, Jeremy Kelly, Benjamin Chihotski, Charles Martus, Parker Trappett, Lachlan Easwood, Yianni Caffieri, Health Wormersley 1 each.		
BEST:	Noah Williams, William Hill, Joel Robinson, Jasper Cashman, Benjamin Chihotski, Oliver Duggan.		
GOALS, Garfield:	No goal scorers listed.		
BEST:	Joseph Zaccari, Diesel Ashe, Taijien Koesemans, Joseph Hardiman, Maarten Braaksma, Sasson Alden-Brown.		

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W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	pts	av	W	L	%	pts	av
Inverloch-K	11	0	339.60	44	Tooradin-Dal	10	0	650.93	42	Inverloch-K	9	0	322.69	3.6	Phillip Island	9	0	752.00	4.0
Phillip Island	9	1	235.23	38	Inverloch-K	10	1	405.31	40	Phillip Island	8	2	259.20	3.2	Warragul Ind	8	1	1048.96	3.6
Tooradin-Dal	9	2	182.79	36	Nar Nar Goon	9	1	549.30	38	Warragul Ind	8	2	243.87	3.2	Nar Nar Goon	7	2	145.68	3.1
Nar Nar Goon	7	3	185.74	30	Phillip Island	8	3	157.55	32	Garfield	8	2	234.71	3.2	Inverloch-K	5	4	158.51	2.2
Cora Lynn	7	4	136.51	28	Cora Lynn	6	5	218.90	24	Tooradin-Dal	7	3	215.20	2.8	Koo Wee Rup	5	4	135.52	2.2
Warragul Ind.	6	5	124.64	24	Koo Wee Rup	6	5	147.16	24	Nar Nar Goon	5	5	99.80	2.0	Dalyston	5	4	107.06	2.2
Dalyston	5	6	78.09	20	Warragul Ind.	6	5	119.50	24	Kilcunda-Bass	4	6	85.40	1.6	Tooradin-Dal	3	6	71.74	1.3
Koo Wee Rup	4	7	85.44	16	Garfield	4	7	60.35	16	Cora Lynn	3	7	96.02	1.2	Kor-Bena	2	7	30.54	0.9
Kilcunda-Bass	4	7	83.54	16	Kilcunda-Bass	3	8	27.32	12	Koo Wee Rup	2	8	54.74	0.8	Garfield	1	8	13.49	0.4
Garfield	2	9	55.56	8	Dalyston	2	9	60.53	8	Dalyston	1	9	12.57	0.4	Bunyip	0	9	11.65	0.0
Kor-Bena	1	10	30.70	4	Bunyip	1	10	9.87	4	Kor-Bena	0	10	12.86	0.0	Kilcunda-Bass	0	0	0.00	0.0
Bunyip	0	11	24.36	0	Kor-Bena	0	11	14.12	0	Bunyip	0	0	0.00	0.0	Cora Lynn	0	0	0.00	0.0

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SENIORS

Koo Wee Rup 8.14.62 d Bunyip 1.7.13

RESERVES

Koo Wee Rup 17.13.115 d Bunyip 1.0.6

FOURTHS

Koo Wee Rup 14.13.97 d Bunyip 1.2.8



Bass MLA Jordan Crugnale congratulated Gemma Shumack and Melony Grand-Court for their selection in the U14 Victoria State Team and 2023 Over 35 Women's National Championships respectively.

Softball on the rise in Bass Coast

SOFTBALL is growing in Bass Coast.

Bass Coast Softball welcomed around 40 interested players of all ages to its five-week program at the Bass Recreation Reserve recently.

The Spotlight on Softball Series culminated in its final session last Friday, supported by Bass MLA Jordan Crugnale.

Essential skills such as striking, throwing, catching, fielding, running, strategic thinking and teamwork were covered throughout the program.

The series encouraged children from age three to adults to come along and give softball with a go, with the aim of starting a

Summer of T-Ball and Softball competition from October to March.

Participation coordinator Jo Schutt said the objective is to launch the sport locally for those interested in the game.

"We see lots of children playing softball for their schools, but they don't have the opportunity to play outside of school unless they travel to Melbourne," she said.

"We're trying to encourage as many people as we can to come along and have a go."

Bass Coast has already seen local softballers reach amazing heights, with two representatives heading interstate in July.

Gemma Shumack was selected for the

U14 Victoria State Team, which will compete in the Regional Championships in Queensland. Gemma was previously part of Bass Valley Primary School's representative team, which won the School Sport Victoria State T-Ball Championship.

She also represented Casey Softball Association in the U14 Softball Victoria State Championships in April.

Her determination and success have been a testament to what can be achieved locally and has helped to establish the incentive for setting up a softball association in Bass Coast.

Ms Crugnale has made a contribute to-

wards Gemma's travel expenses.

"Where I can, I love being able to support our local kids to have the experience to participate in these national competitions, represent our community and state, and have the opportunity to excel in their chosen field," she said.

"Travel and associated costs can be totally prohibitive, and I want to thank Gemma, her family, Softball Victoria and those around them for their fundraising efforts. Gemma will have an amazing time and bring all those learnings and experiences back to her local community."

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