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Pte Orsatti and CFN Keirs organise craft items. A10_2022

ADF marches into Leongatha

MEMBERS of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) have been welcomed with open arms after marching into Leongatha's Woorayl Lodge aged care facility.

They are there to help staff in a variety of non-clinical duties, with Woorayl Lodge taking up a Federal Government offer to provide assistance.

While the deployed ADF personnel can't replace skilled aged care workers, they are ideally suited to manage logistical tasks and general duties.

"The help and support's been a breath of fresh air, nothing's a problem, and they've

been terrific," Woorayl Lodge general manager Barry Westhorpe said.

He added all six ADF members at the lodge have made a positive impression.

The assistance offer was made to help stabilise Covid outbreaks and to support aged care facilities to deal with staff shortages.

Woorayl Lodge was eligible for ADF help due to having two mild cases of Covid.

Army and Air Force are both represented at the lodge, with ADF personnel performing a range of duties.

They include resident communication with families, companionship, meal de-

livery, general cleaning, staff and visitor screening, administration and logistics.

The ADF assistance at Woorayl Lodge started on Thursday, May 12, continuing for a week from then.

During the Sentinel-Times' Friday afternoon visit, Pte Elias greeted residents in their rooms, serving tea.

Pte Orsatti was engaged in logistical duties, arranging arts and crafts materials used in the residents' lifestyle program.

He also paid a visit to the large gathering of bingo participants, accompanied by the Air Force's LAC Campbell.

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Fox kills 30 chooks on Phillip Island

Previously believed to be eradicated from Phillip Island, the existence of a fox on the Island has been confirmed by Phillip Island Nature Parks. File photo.

IT'S news that no one on Phillip Island, least of all the custodians of the world-famous Penguin Parade, want to hear.

The ultimate penguin predator, a pest animal capable of killing upwards of 30 birds-a-night, the dreaded fox, at least one, has returned to Phillip Island.

Within days of announcing the highest-ever number of penguins crossing the Summerlands Beach, a record 5219 Little Penguins, Phillip Island Nature Parks has confirmation that there's at least one fox back on the Island.

They know this because

surveillance cameras, set up at Phillip Island Free Range Eggs, on Back Beach Road, Ventnor, less than 6km away from the penguin parade grounds, has reportedly captured an image.

He/she was returning to the scene of the crime.

"We had upwards of 30 chickens killed over night on Sunday/Monday, May 8/9 and Nature Parks came out and set up cameras and they picked up an image (of the fox) at 4.03am on Tuesday morning (May 10)," said farm operator Steve Davy.

"Ironically, the reason we set up a free-range eggs business here was because the Island

was supposed to be fox-free.

"Turns out someone else lost 16 chickens at Rhyll a few months ago.

"I'd like to see Nature Parks out on the front foot with this, not only because the community can keep an eye out for foxes, but also because some people have chickens that are just as vulnerable as ours."

Mr Davey said he believed PINP had since collected fox droppings (scats) in the vicinity of Pyramid Rock Road and on nearby Berrys Beach.

It's too close to the penguins for comfort.

Thanks to assistance from donors, sponsors and grants

including from the Ian Potter Foundation, Phillip Island was declared fox-free in 2017 - after over 25 years of dedicated efforts to remove them.

That at least one is back represents a significant blow and potentially, significant cost.

The Little Penguin colony on Phillip Island has about 40,000 birds.

Phillip Island Nature Parks research officer Paula Wasiak said recently that the prolonged La Niña event may be having a beneficial impact on fish stocks, the health of the Island's penguins and numbers returning from daily, rather than extended fishing trips.

Orange-bellied parrots released into the wild

THE first of 36 Orange-bellied parrots were released at Lake Connewarre and Western Port Bay as part of a successful five-year program to add captive-bred birds to the wild population and give them a better chance of survival.

The birds join 100 Orange-bellied parrots now part of the wild flock, previously let go from Victorian sites in the Mainland Release Trial.

Supported by the success of the trial, this autumn will see the largest flock of Orange-bellied parrots migrate to Victoria in 15 years, with more than 140 expected to fly north from their Tasmanian breeding grounds.

The Orange-bellied parrots have also benefited from a successful breeding season in the wild, combined with large-scale releases of captive-bred birds at the Tasmanian site in spring and late summer.

The species has gone from being at imminent risk of extinction, with only 50 birds left in the wild in 2017, to a 15-year high thanks to the trial and broader conservation efforts.

The trial is supported by funding from the state government's Biodiversity On-Ground Action Icon Species Grants program, Zoos Victoria, the federal government's National Landcare Program, and Moonlit Sanctuary.

Two earthquakes in two weeks

ANOTHER earthquake was recorded near Leongatha last week which had a magnitude of 2.2 with a depth of 10km.

The earthquake was recorded just outside Leongatha, towards Poowong, at approximately 6.24pm last Thursday.

At the time, Leongatha SES stated there was only one felt report and no reports of damage or requests for assistance.

This comes after a magnitude 2.4 earthquake was also recorded near Leongatha earlier this month.

If you felt this earthquake, you can help Geoscience Australia with the collection of data by filling out a felt report at earthquakes.ga.gov.au.

Help shape tourism

TOURISM Australia and Destination Phillip Island are conducting a research project on the impact of tourism on the local environment, community, and culture.

The feedback will help tailor communications for travellers in specific regions to educate and encourage responsible and respectful travel.

To assist, please complete this survey at shorturl.at/avKSW.

Survey closes May 30, 2022.



The Swamp Antechinus is listed as vulnerable.

Little Tasmanian marsupial found in Coronet Bay

THE Coronet Bay Ratepayers and Residents Association is excited to announce the significant finding of the Swamp Antechinus at Wang toolome parnung - a small lake and surrounding vegetation off Norsemens Road at the Coronet Bay foreshore.

The Swamp Antechinus, also known as the little Tasmanian marsupial mouse, is listed as vulnerable and is a small native carnivorous marsupial. It is largely nocturnal and forages mainly for insects and has a long slender muzzle.

Marsupials are thought to have occurred from a single migration event to Australia about 65 million years ago.

This discovery was made during the recent fauna survey commissioned by the Coronet Bay Ratepayers and Residents Association as part of its educational signage project.

The Bass Lions Club came on board as a major sponsor of this funding. Wombats, echidnas, wallabies, and the eastern long neck turtle are among other residents in this habitat.

The Swamp Antechinus live in the grassy tunnels it makes around dense tussock grassland in the quiet coastal fore-shore.

The males live only for a year. Once they mature, they die a few weeks after mating. The females

live for only two seasons of mating.

The Swamp Antechinus is related to the Quoll and Tasmanian Devil.

"Finding the Swamp Antechinus highlights how lucky we are to still have some undisturbed pockets of bushland and how vital these are as significant areas of habitat for native animals," a Coronet Bay Ratepayers and Residents spokesperson said.

"The area around Wang toolome parnung can now be further managed and enhanced to ensure a biodiverse safe habitat for the survival of this and other native species."

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6 Day Weather Forecast

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TUE | May 17

Showers increasing.
Wind AM: W-NW 25-35km/h
Wind PM: W-NW 25-35km/h

9° 16°



WED | May 18

Showers.
Wind AM: NW 30-35km/h
Wind PM: SW 20-25km/h

9° 15°



THUR | May 19

Shower or two.
Wind AM: SW 15-25km/h
Wind PM: S-SW 15-20km/h

10° 16°



FRI | May 20

Partly cloudy.
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Wind PM: Light

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SAT | May 21

Mostly sunny.
Wind AM: Light
Wind PM: Light

7° 18°



SUN | May 22

Mostly sunny.
Wind AM: Light
Wind PM: Light

7° 18°

IN BRIEF

Journey of a lost manuscript

JOIN author Lorraine Smith at Inverloch Library on Tuesday, May 17, at 3pm to hear Lorraine tell the story of a 16th-century manuscript discovered in Warrnambool and the journey to discover its history.

Book at myli.library.eventbrite.com or call 5674 1169.

Help preserve history

WITH a huge backlog of items to catalogue, the Leongatha Historical Society is looking for volunteers.

You don't need any prior knowledge of cataloguing to jump in and help out.

Contact Lyn on 0400 249 048 or email leongathahistory@gmail.com.

Cuppa with a cop

HAVE a cuppa at Inverloch Library on Thursday, May 19, at 10am and get to know some of your local police officers to mark Law Week.

Bookings at myli.library.eventbrite.com or call 5674 1169.

Sedan allegedly smashed

A 54-YEAR-OLD woman allegedly smashed into a parked sedan out the front of Yarram Woolworths on May 10 between 11am and 12pm.

The accused has been processed by police for criminal damage and is assisting with their enquiries.

Streetscapes of Leongatha

LEONGATHA Historical Society need your help.

Do you have any streetscapes of Leongatha's Business District from 1889 to today?

An ongoing project Leongatha Historical Society are tracing back the businesses that have graced the main streets for the last century and beyond.

Pop in on a Thursday between 10am-4pm or contact Lyn on 0400 249 048 or leonathahistory@gmail.com

Collided with police vehicle

ON MAY 9, at 10.20pm, police were called to a suspicious person loitering in the Yanakie area. A man was located in a vehicle at a holiday resort.

The man proceeded to drive towards police members and collided with the police vehicle. The male failed to stop for police and drove away from the area.

A 34-year-old South Gippsland man was subsequently located in Sandy Point on Tuesday. The man was arrested and remanded in custody and appeared in court on May 11.

He was charged with various traffic offences and evading police, and sentenced to an 18-month Community Corrections Order.

The police vehicle incurred minor damage with no injuries to police or other parties.

Attempted robbery in Wonthaggi

POLICE are investigating an attempted robbery in McBride Avenue, Wonthaggi, last week.

On Tuesday, May 9, at 4.30pm, a 69-year-old man withdrew cash from an ATM and returned to his car where he proceeded to check and count the money.

An offender then opened the man's door and demanded the cash.

The victim yelled in distress and the offender fled.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or contact Wonthaggi Police Station.

Have your say on our police

THE Annual Victoria Police Community Sentiment Survey is open for feedback and local police want you to have your say.

Head to engage.vic.gov.au and submit your safety concerns, engagement preferences and experiences with police.

Car flips during crash

NO SERIOUS injuries were reported following a two-vehicle collision at Phillip Island Road last week which resulted in a vehicle flipping onto its roof.

The incident occurred on Tuesday, May 10, just outside Newhaven College at approximately 3pm.

Sergeant Andy Boldiston said a vehicle had been turning out of the college when it collided with another vehicle travelling towards San Remo.

"This caused the vehicle (travelling) on Phillip Island Road to flip onto its roof," Sgt Boldiston said.

"The driver of the vehicle turning out of Newhaven College had no injuries.

"The other driver was taken to Wonthaggi Hospital with minor injuries."

A police investigation resulted in a penalty notice being issued to the driver exiting the college.

Driver identity sought

KORUMBURRA Police are appealing for any witnesses following a two-vehicle collision last week where police allege one of the drivers left the scene.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, May 11, at approximately 3.15pm, along the South Gippsland Highway just outside Korumburra near Whitelaw.

According to local police, the collision involved a black Holden Colorado ute and a blue hatch or small sedan.

Police say the driver of the latter vehicle failed to remain on scene after allegedly causing damage to the ute.

Anyone with information or dashcam footage should contact Senior Constable David Patterson at Korumburra Police Station on 5655 1244.

Police are also seeking the owner of a mobile phone and ring which was located at Korumburra Library on April 29.

Fire at abandoned school

ON MAY 16 at 2.56pm, a fire broke out in the old, abandoned Wonthaggi Secondary College McBride Avenue campus.

The fire was quickly brought under control at 3.06pm.

Four vehicles responded from Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Dalyston Fire Brigades.

More problems than it solved

A PETITION containing 38 signatures will be tabled at this week's Bass Coast Shire Council meeting, the subject of which is 'parking in San Remo'.

The petitioners say recent well-intentioned changes to parking limits have caused more problems than it solved, also creating many unintended consequences.

People forced to carry heavy laundry across a busy road, elderly shoppers having to park well away from the shops and services... there are plenty of issues, say the petitioners, that need to be addressed by council.

Getting darker by the day

IF YOU think the days are already too short, then it's worth noting we still have 30 minutes left to lose.

Sunrise at 7.14am and sunset at 5.18pm will be cut 30 minutes by the winter solstice, sunrise 7.36am to sunset 5.08pm.

Councils to offer \$104,000 in grants

ONE of Bass Coast Council's happiest jobs, the approval of Community Grants, is on the agenda for this Wednesday's council meeting.

From 41 applications for almost \$150,000, council has selected 32 projects to receive \$104,463.

There was no application made for a Climate Change Grant in this round.

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Leongatha raises \$21,000 for humanitarian aid in Ukraine

REMEMBER Ukraine was the message on Saturday night and it was heeded, with a Leongatha fundraising dinner a spectacular success, and with proceeds set to assist in providing humanitarian aid in the under-siege nation.

A staggering total of just over \$21,000 was raised.

The event at St Peter's Anglican Church outgrew initial expectations of attracting 80-100 diners, with bookings taken for 150.

Ukrainian Olga Rysko and Reverend Belinda Seabrook were the event organisers, with the parishes of Leongatha and Mirboo North providing a large and enthusiastic band of volunteers to prepare and serve dinner.

While Olga supplied the evening's recipes, Belinda took charge of the kitchen team.

Belinda said Olga contacted her, feeling down, and felt people locally had forgotten those in Ukraine, sparking plans for the Remember Ukraine evening.

As well as raising much-needed funds, the dinner was intended to get people engaged with the situation in Ukraine and its people.

Guests listened as Olga spoke of her homeland as they tucked into their three-course traditional Ukrainian meal, including treats such as Borscht soup, stuffed cabbage, and an array of deserts.

Olga stressed the evening was arranged to support those who are suffering in Ukraine during the current conflict and it's not about the politics of the situation.

"I have many Russian friends," she said.

While Olga moved to Australia in 2005, aged just 20, she still has family in her homeland, along with trusted friends.

Funds raised from the dinner will go directly to friends Olga knows will spend them wisely supporting victims of the conflict in Ukraine, roles they are already fulfilling.

Daniel Gollan, originally from Australia, and his wife Priscilla are among those friends, with Olga once working as their babysitter and housecleaner and beginning to learn English from them, something she never expected



Organisers Reverend Belinda Seabrook and Olga Rysko with sunflowers signifying Ukraine. A29_2022



Dinner guests look forward to tucking into their Borscht soup. A28_2022

to need.

The Gollans have worked in Ukraine as missionaries for over 30 years, providing practical assistance to the people.

Daniel visited during dinner, with the aid of technology, speaking to attendees via videolink from Ukraine.

"We saw Russian missiles and fighter jets flying over our town and things we never expected to see," Daniel said noting the fear they felt and saying they thought they would have to go into hiding.

He said they are hopeful the dreadful scars of conflict will eventually be replaced with beauty.

"There's still a lot of suffering that's going to be going on," Daniel said, explaining that will continue for a long

time even if the fighting stops.

Daniel now sees both Australians and Ukrainians as his people.

"You're willing to sacrifice for my other people," Daniel told dinner guests, expressing his appreciation for the support they are showing to those in need in Ukraine.

Daniel's sister, Jemimah Paxa, is also in Ukraine, with her and husband Shane acting as missionaries there for the last 11 years.

All four missionaries are combining to care for refugees, including ensuring food supply and delivery for those in need, and cleaning up the debris of conflict.

"You have to take a deep breath," Shane said of the destruction one sees when entering Ukrainian villages

with their wrecked walls and missing roofs.

"It's a unique time here when we can serve in a special way, and it opens up hearts to allow conversations at a more intimate level," Shane said.

As well as the fear and devastation, Shane told dinner attendees of the huge costs involved in carrying out work for the benefit of the community, saying he had just filled a much-needed van with diesel at a cost of \$3.40 per litre.

A live keyboard and flute performance of the Ukrainian National Anthem was one of the evening's highlights, with at first a few attendees rising to their feet, then everyone soon standing as a mark of respect to Ukraine and its people.

As well as the Gollans and Paxas, funds raised on the evening will assist a couple of others in their important work in Ukraine.

Olga has known Lena Looblyoo since her teens.

Lena, based in Rzhyshchiv like the Gollans and Paxas, helps vulnerable older people in Ukraine who refuse to leave as refugees, or can't due to their physical condition.

Kaharlyk-based Wayne Zschech is a pastor in rural Ukraine, helping break the cycles of poverty through local community projects.

He is currently providing support to displaced people and refugees and his efforts will also benefit from the Leongatha event proceeds.

Olga was delighted with the evening's overwhelming success and expressed her gratitude to guests and those who helped make it possible by volunteering their time and efforts.

Mirboo North businesses I Love Farms and Craig Young Butchery provided support as did many community members.

So well did the event go, there will now be a fundraising Ukrainian lunch next month.

Remember Ukraine lunch

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Wiggles tickets sell like hot potatoes

HOT potato, hot potato... that's how quickly tickets to The Wiggles' Wonthaggi show, on Saturday, June 18, 2022, sold out last Thursday.

Hardly had ticket sales opened at 10am than the 'sold out' sign went up leaving 400 lucky ticket holders smiling, many more looking glum and the odd "Wake Up Jeff" candidate in trouble.

Organisers said Wonthaggi's tickets were

among the fastest to go when The Wiggles 'Superhero Tour' tickets went on sale for June and July across Victoria, SA and NSW.

Not only will you miss the new-look line-up of Anthony, Tseyhay, Lachy and Simon but also the other Wiggly friends including Dorothy the Dinosaur, Captain Feathersword, Wags the Dog, Henry the Octopus and Shirley Shawn the Unicorn.



Mayor's message

IT WAS incredibly disappointing to learn that the extension of a controversial sand mine in Grantville was approved by the State Government recently.

We, along with the community have serious concerns about the impact that this expansion will have on the local environment, as well as the nearby Western Port Bay.

This expansion will see the sand mine extend their operations into the Biolinks area of the Western Port Woodlands and it will enable them to mine below the water table.

Truck movements will double and the company will operate for longer hours. It is truly devastating that the State Government's decision has seemingly ignored the concerns of both Council and the community around the expansion. It goes against the objectives of the Distinctive Areas and Landscapes when it comes to protecting native vegetation.

The environment is our economy in Bass Coast and we need to do everything we can to protect our last remaining areas of significant remnant vegetation – unfortunately this approval flies in the face of that.

Have you seen the progress that has been made on the Cowes Cultural and Community Centre recently?

There are plenty of other really important community projects that are coming along well too – work on the current stage of the



Cr Michael Whelan

Surf Parade Shared Path in Inverloch is nearly complete, while the redevelopment of the Guide Park playspace in Wonthaggi is moving forward as well. It is so satisfying to see these projects taking shape and we can't wait until they are open and ready for our community to enjoy.

It has been really wonderful to see our state cautiously opening up again, after two long years of uncertainty.

Live music is one of the simple, yet necessary pleasures of life, yet it suffered terribly at the hands of the pandemic – with the industry virtually shut down for the duration – and boy, did we miss it.

If you love live performances as much as I do, check out the Caravan Music Club, which brings an amazing array of musicians, bands and performers to Archies Creek every month.

I was there recently to see a musician I have followed for some time. We are so lucky to have the Caravan Club set up here in Bass Coast adding to our rich array of music spots across the Shire.



Council Update

Have your say on Engage Bass Coast

When Bass Coast Shire Council engagement opportunities become available, they will be listed on www.engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au with details about the project and information on how to provide feedback.

The community can register to become a member of Engage Bass Coast, to be notified when new projects are live and seeking feedback.

You can also follow individual projects, to stay informed about any changes or updates, or elect to be notified about projects that are in a particular area or field of interest.

Council is currently seeking feedback on the Governance Rules Review, the Urban Forest Strategy and Understanding Business in Bass Coast.

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A colourful Wonthaggi Civic Centre will be highlighting International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT).

Lighting up for IDAHOBIT

THE Wonthaggi Civic Centre will be lit up tonight (Tuesday, May 17) to acknowledge and support International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT).

Bass Coast Shire Mayor, Cr Michael Whelan said that the Wonthaggi Civic Centre will stand proudly bathed in the colours of the rainbow.

"This is one small way that we can show our solidarity with our LG-BTQIA+ friends, family, colleagues and community," Cr Whelan said.

"IDAHOBIT Day is an opportunity to raise awareness against ho-

mophobia, biphobia and transphobia and to stand with the LGBTIQ+ community to show that together we can make a difference."

Thirty-one years ago on May 17, 1990, the World Health Organisation removed homosexuality from the Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems.

Now, on this date, IDAHOBIT Day celebrates LGBTQIA+ people around the world and raises awareness for the work still needed to combat discrimination.

Cr Whelan said Council works in partnership with local networks, including the South Coast

Inclusion Network and local health and community service providers to progress LGBTQIA+ inclusion and promote acceptance of diversity across its services and communities.

"Council is committed and passionate about hearing from our LG-BTQIA+ communities to inform our work," he said.

"We have also developed a Gender Equality Action Plan. The principles of gender equality include specific reference to achieving equality and freedom from violence for all genders and people of all sexual orientations."

Don't fence us in, DELWP told

NEVER mind the quality, feel the width.

That assessment could easily apply to the weighty tome produced for the state government by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) to guide planning in the Bass Coast for the next 50 years.

Among the new rules proposed in the draft Bass Coast Statement of Planning Policy (SPP) is a requirement for farmers to apply for a permit to put up a fence, other than a post and rail fence, on their own land.

However, as obvious as the problem is that such a rule change would create, it's the unilateral controls to be placed on the growth of our towns that has really got the Bass Coast Shire Council's goat.

And they haven't minced their words in a submission to the 'Distinctive Area and Landscape' process.

While accepting the principle of protecting settlement boundaries and "acknowledging the outward expansion of our settlements is finite" council has been highly critical of the approach taken in the draft SPP.

"The draft SPP's narrow approach to settlement

planning means there is a complete disregard for managing population growth and there is no understanding of the long-term physical, social and economic implications these policies may result in," said the shire.

"This flaw raises serious questions about the SPP's integrity in being able to properly manage long-term integrated decision-making within the Bass Coast.

"Council is willing to accept protected settlement boundaries for all settlements, however further strategic work is required before Council can support protected settlement boundaries in higher order settlements that are intended to absorb growth."

It's about as critical as any government agency is prepared to go.

And it doesn't stop there.

In a submission to be put to council for its adoption this week, the council sets out a range of not-negotiable issues and removing the draft rules to be applied to farm fences, and additional controls on agricultural buildings are near the top of the list.

Also of concern to council:

• Council has rejected "generalised strategies about

how development should respond to landscape" when the shire has nine distinct landscape character areas.

- They say the proposed landscape controls must be extended to include the Gurdies Hills.
- Any amendments to the shire's planning scheme should have been exhibited for community comment beforehand.
- The "regionally significant landscapes" of Phillip Island North Coast and Hinterland; and Eastern Westernport Bay Coastal Flatlands should have been included.
- They say the SPP must address the establishment of a strategic bi-link through the Lang Lang to Grantville Corridor.
- The council raises a number of concerns about the controversial expansion of sand mining.
- The council has also stressed the need for government to commit to delivering "public and active transport that maximises environmental benefits".
- The council has also noted that the considerable costs associated with participating in the government's DAL process have impacted this and future budgets.

Shire neglected when it comes to housing, they say

THERE are calls for more funding in South Gippsland Shire to help combat housing affordability and homelessness.

"It's a major problem right across the country," Josie of St Vincent de Paul explained.

"Leongatha and the surrounding area has been neglected as far as government contributions to housing is concerned.

"The Latrobe Valley has always had that name and governments have funded housing for that area, and also for Bass Coast, but the South Gippsland (Shire) seems to miss out all the time.

"There seems to be a perception that this is a richer area."

Housing has become less affordable over the last decade due to incomes not keeping pace with increases in rental, as per the 2020 Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into Homelessness.

This unaffordability has driven people into homelessness and prevented people in social housing from moving into private rental.

Additionally, Melbourne's growth has placed considerable pressure on Gippsland with individuals moving to secure cheaper rental, squeezing the local housing supply - driving the cost of private rental and house prices up.

"There are people who are well off here too, but the poor



Unaffordable housing is driving people into homelessness locally.

people here are just as poor and just as deserving as the poor people in other areas," Josie said.

"The government at all three levels need to be more aware of the poverty that is here."

Housing just one of the basic needs.

"Just as food is. They say if you give a person a fish, you feed them for a day, but if you teach him how to fish you feed him for a lifetime.

"And it's like that with housing, but people don't seem to realise.

"If you provide adequate housing for people, it opens up the door for education, for a job - it empowers them..."

"The government could save a lot of money in health costs and unemployment problems."

A teacher, Josie is aware and knows firsthand the value of education.

"You see people who are

struggling, and we help them as much as we can, but there's a limit.

"It's usually when they're at breaking point.

"People are very proud and rightly so, and most people are reluctant to ask for help.

"When they come to us, they really are quite desperate."

In South Gippsland Shire, 376 households require affordable housing with only 26 rentals affordable to low-income households.

The median house rental (Dec 2021) was \$380 a week and median house price (Dec 2021) a staggering \$647,000.

"(We need to) change the whole system," Josie said.

"Obtaining funding from the various levels of government is key, but the attitude to people who are struggling needs to be changed.

"More empathy and understanding of their situation."

Individuals from all walks of life, all demographics are affected, some more so than others.

"We have supported more women latterly because of domestic violence.

"Women have had to give up their work to raise the children and then if a marriage breaks up, they are left with next to nothing, no superannuation - it's really difficult for them."

Rather than get to breaking point, Josie hopes to see more individuals and families earlier, especially with homelessness on the rise.

"Seek help earlier on in the process.

"It's difficult, but we really are only helping them to get by in that situation - we're not solving the underlying problems that governments could do.

"The pandemic has made it much worse.

"It's really brought to the fore and made very obvious problems that were there before and magnified them.

"It's more than just an embarrassment. It's a disgrace.

"In this day and age in this rich country that we have got people sleeping in cars and couch surfing around their friends."

"We need to lobby the governments at election time and use our vote to bring in people who are prepared to (change the system)."

Lack of affordable housing: report

SOUTH Gippsland Shire faces a significant need for more affordable housing, with an estimated shortfall of at least 420 affordable houses across the municipality.

That figure is included in council's recently completed draft version of its Social and Affordable Housing Strategy.

Community members should have the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft strategy from this Thursday.

Councillors will vote at Wednesday's meeting on a recommendation to endorse the draft version and open community engagement on it from May 19 until June 10.

"Affordable housing is housing, including social housing, that is appropriate for very low, low, and moderate income households," the draft Social and Affordable Housing Strategy states.

It is considered that to be affordable, a residential property's rent should generally be no more than 30 per cent of household income.

The most common type of affordable housing is social housing, where rent is set as a proportion of household income.

In the case of affordable ownership, affordable purchase may be achieved through a program like shared equity.

It is becoming more difficult for many people to find long term affordable accommodation in South Gippsland Shire.

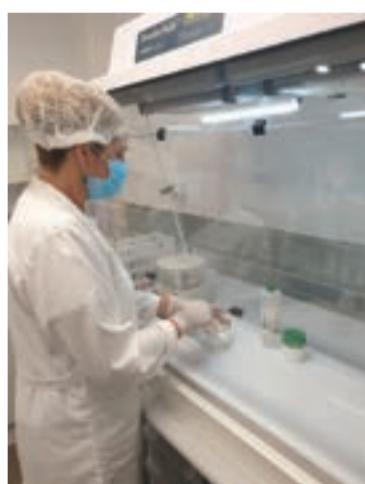
The shire population is growing and the lack of a regional city centre in the municipality to support affordable housing growth, along with the increasing cost of housing in South Gippsland are contributing factors.

While the shire has a higher proportion of people on a lower income compared with the state average (42.3% compared with 40.2%), the number of social housing dwellings is significantly lower than the state average (1.8% compared with 3.3%), the draft document states.

The draft strategy notes that appropriate affordable housing requires an eligibility and allocation process to ensure it goes to people who need it.

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Bass Coast Health midwives on International Midwives Day, from left, Melanie Shields, Maddison Gheller, Pauline Humbert, Lauren Yann, Arielle Frankel and baby Millie Wilkinson, Sharon Van Rensburg and Bass Coast Health executive director of clinical services Christine Henderson.

Every day's a birthday at Bass Coast Health

BASS Coast Health was pleased to celebrate and acknowledge the work of their wonderful midwives on May 5 for International Midwives Day.

Midwives offer care to families during the ante-natal, birth, post-natal and early years periods.

Bass Coast Health offers three modern birthing suites and four ward beds at Wonthaggi Hospital, and then ante-natal and post-natal care and early years care at a range of sites across the region.

Midwife Maddy Butler shared why she enjoys being a midwife at Bass Coast Health.

"Having the opportunity to be a part of such an exciting time in people's lives is a real privilege," she said.

"Witnessing parents meet their baby for the first time is so special and I think that will never grow old on me. It's a rewarding part of the job and I feel so lucky that I get to experience it."

New mother Sarah Arthur recently gave birth to her son Charlie at Wonthaggi Hospital.

"As a first-time mum, I found the support and care from the midwifery team invaluable and personal," she said.

"Each team member took the time to make sure we were comfortable, which made the birthing experience of our son Charlie at Wonthaggi an amazing one."

The Maternal and Child Health team also celebrated International Midwives Day at a special

morning tea, celebrating the work of the Maternal and Child Health Service in providing the 10 key age and stage appointments to families and their children in Bass Coast.

"These appointments ensure babies are developing well and that families are coping with the change in lifestyle that comes with having a newborn," Maternal and Child Health team leader Kathryn Anderson said.

"We are also excited to introduce our new Sleep Settling sessions to local families.

"Speak to your Maternal and Child Health nurse at your next appointment about how to book into a session or call the central booking line on 5671 4275."



Nurses Deb Allen-Ryan (left) and Steph Kolb demonstrate the wearing of N95 masks in the sub-acute ward at Wonthaggi Hospital.

No COVID transmission for health service

BASS Coast Health (BCH) says its COVIDSafe measures have seen no known workplace transmission of COVID.

Senior registered nurse Helen Goff, part of the BCH Infection Prevention team, is leading the COVID Response Team, which monitors COVID cases amongst staff and their families to ensure staff receive the advice and care they need, while reducing the risk of their colleagues contracting the virus.

Helen said wearing personal protective equipment (PPE), staying at home if showing any COVID symptoms and weekly asymptomatic testing had been essential practices which saw staff not transmit the virus to each other at work.

Helen said these were practices the general public could employ at home to keep themselves and their families and

friends as safe from COVID as possible.

"Staff have had a very high standard with their PPE which has had a massive contribution to staff not catching COVID at work and that cautious approach has paid off," she said.

"They've also been doing weekly testing – whether they have symptoms or not – and that has enabled them to detect COVID even when they were not showing any symptoms and therefore isolate before spreading the virus within our health service."

Helen recommended people have a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) at home regularly to detect COVID early.

"The COVID Response Team has dealt with several hundred cases of COVID among staff contracted through their interactions with family, friends and the community," she said.



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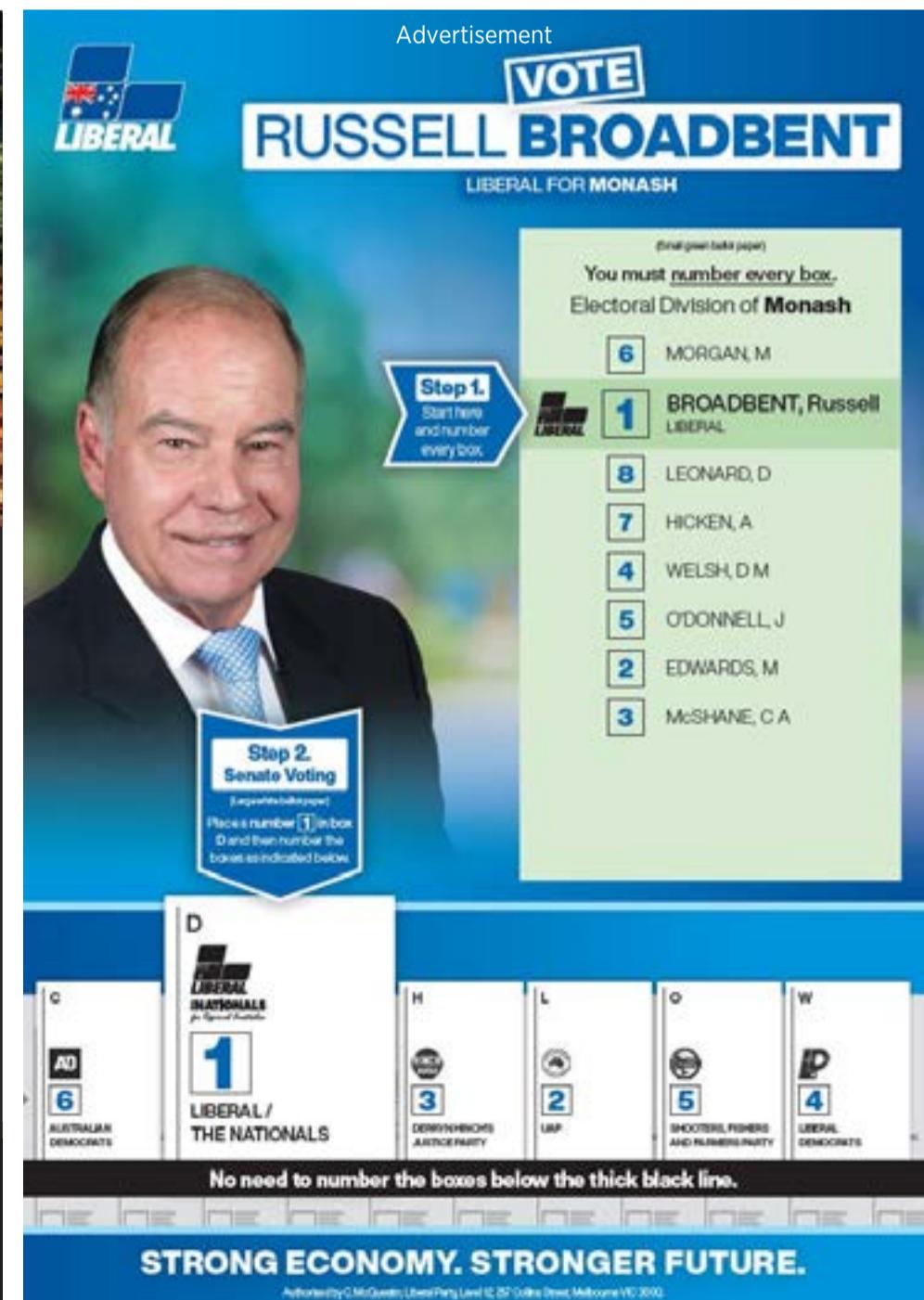
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School epidemics nothing new

EPIDEMICS are nothing new and caused much disruption to the fledgling education system in the Leongatha area.

The following describes the epidemics:

In late August 1891, there was a chickenpox epidemic and attendance was very low. On December 5, 1891, a whooping cough epidemic was reported. Dr Carr wanted all children showing any symptoms to be excluded from school. Measles broke out in October 1893 and a series of telegrams were sent by the Leongatha State School's first official teacher John Jeffrey.

- October 9 - Measles in pupil teacher's family.
- October 13 - Measles has broken out. Mr Brumley's family has one case and they live 200 yards from the school. Mr Devling's family (new teacher) have the illness. Mr Devling has isolated himself from the victim, fumigated himself daily and taken daily open-air exercise.
- October 17 - Illness spreading rapidly, 10 families affected by measles.
- October 19 - Measles is rife.
- October 23 - I have been ordered to close the school by the board of health.
- October 26 - I have had the school cleaned, disinfected and fumigated under the instructions of Dr Carr.

On February 1, 1895, there was a typhoid outbreak. A Mr Aberdeen had typhoid and he lived 500 yards from the school in a direct line. Dr Davies isolated, Mr Aberdeen and his family had been moved away from him. One boy attended the school, but he had not been excluded as he had been removed to a farm two miles away.

Joan's legacy continues at Bass Coast College

THE Bass Coast Community Foundation is thrilled to introduce the Joan Eltringham Memorial Fund to the community.

This fund, which launched last week, is accepting public donations to improve well-being, inclusiveness and literacy for disadvantaged and vulnerable children attending Bass Coast College.

Set up through the generosity of Joan's late brother John Eltringham, this fund will go on supporting children for generations to come.

Joan was a passionate and highly respected teacher at Wonthaggi Secondary College for 29 years, from 1979 to 2008. Joan worked mainly with children to improve literacy and inclusiveness.

"She provided amazing intervention support, positively influencing the outcomes for many students over her very successful career," said Darren Parker, principal of Bass Coast College.

"We are very proud to benefit from the Joan Eltringham Memorial Fund and this very special and ongoing relationship will assist in literacy support programs for students for years to come."

In launching this fund, the treasurer of the Bass Coast Community Foundation, John Walsh, was thrilled to



Proudly presenting a \$7000 cheque to Bass Coast College was, left, Lisa Farrugia (nee Eltringham), Bass Coast Community Foundation director John Walsh (right) and executive officer Sarah Bourke (middle), who were joined by acting college principal Leith Cummins (right) and acting assistant college principal Phil Hughes (far left). ns032022

announce the initial donation from the fund was \$7000.

With support from the benefactor's niece, Lisa Farrugia (nee Eltringham), who travelled all the way from Mount Macedon to present the cheque, the foundation will donate funds each year to Bass Coast College specifically for disadvantaged children.

"This is a wonderful legacy

for both my auntie Joan and uncle John," said Lisa.

"The bigger the fund, the more will be donated each year, so I hope the Bass Coast giving community will get behind this fund and continue to build it through donations.

"Lots of little donations do add up!"

The Bass Coast Community Foundation is a local charity,

independent of religious or political persuasion.

It was established in 2002 in response to a growing need for a sustainable source of funds for community projects. It works in partnership with donors, local organisations and the community to strengthen the shire and increase opportunities for its residents. Go to givenow.com.au/joan-eltringham-memorial.



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Newhaven College head of middle school Geoff White and head of drama Lauren White welcome 2002 alumni Nat Robbins, Loretta Pezzino, Penny Hopwood, Casey Cleeland, Kelly Ambler, Sharnee Allan, Sarah Jacobs and William Rankine with past deputy principal, now director of learning Karen Milkins-Hendry. Z08_2022

Rich history with an evolving community at Newhaven College

NEWHAVEN College welcomed 1992, 2002 and 2012 alumni to the grounds of the Rhyll campus on Saturday, alongside prospective families during the annual open day.

Principal Tony Korr formally welcomed the alumni to the pavilion, discussing the rich history of the independent college and the transfer from Boys' Home Road in Newhaven to the Rhyll campus, now in operation as prep to 12.

"Forty-odd years have proceeded us and today we welcome each of you to the alumni reunion and open day, a day where we share in the growth of the college and the evolving community and demographic that we are seeing today," said Tony.

Families were guided by students from as young as junior

school, with grade fours taking the responsibility of introducing prospective pupils to teachers and colleagues.

Librarians Shiela John and Jackie Clark greeted children and parents into the library, showcasing the quiet learning space, private study rooms and junior reading rooms available for prep to year 12.

"Our students have access to a vast array of teams and clubs including art, chess, short film, debating and public speaking, homework and book club," said Shiela.

Prior to the alumni morning tea, former students and their families were welcomed to take a tour of the campus to see the growth of the school since the farewell of Boys' Home Road as well as to see the facilities and

opportunities available to prospective students.

1992 alumni Jamie Mitchell was impressed by the opportunities available to students today.

"The facilities, programs and curriculum are leading the children to have a strong future," said Jamie.

Newhaven College has constructed an impressive site for an independent, co-curricular education for their prep to year 12 students, featuring an amphitheatre, a large setting for performances and assemblies, and an outdoor space for students. A science, art and technology wing for students to discover their creativity – comprising of but not limited to a darkroom, 3D printers, four science laboratories, an art gallery and a

computer lab.

The trade skills and food technology centre offer students access to workshops, tools and equipment in design technology and the most recent opening of the gymnasium and tennis courts allows students to enjoy quality sporting facilities, both indoors and outdoors, including two timber sprung netball and basketball courts and a weights room.

The college offers an extensive music, surfing and equestrian program for students to follow their passions and have guided and encouraged involvement throughout their education.

Newhaven College invites enrolment for junior, middle and senior school online at newhavencol.vic.edu.au or phone 5956 7505.

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Support the Fraser family

A GOFUNDME is raising funds for the family of the late Samantha Fraser to help support her three children.

Ms Fraser, a Phillip Island psychologist, was murdered by her estranged husband, Adrian Basham, in July 2018.

It's hoped \$100,000 can be raised for the family, noting that "tragically, her traumatised and grief-stricken three children are left behind as 'double orphans'.

"They are in the care of their maternal, retired grandparents, who can in some small way give them the love they need but cannot always cover the financial cost of their care and education."

The family also released a statement following the Basham trial saying that although the sorrow and grief will never go away, they could in some way begin to move on.

"Caught up in the midst of all these events are Samantha's three children," the statement reads.

"She was the very centre of their being; the sunshine in every day of their lives.

"Did that man not think of what would happen to us without our mum?"

"Their lives over the past 45 months have not been easy; lives filled with confusion, grief and trauma. But life has to go on."

"After the events of the last two years, the lockdowns, the home-schooling and all this grief and trauma, the children have dreams of doing some special things."

"The much-valued assistance and kindness of society will help make these dreams a reality."

Any donations are greatly appreciated and can be made at gofundme.com/f/caring-for-sams-children.





South Gippsland Shire Council News

Sports and Recreation Funding Available

South Gippsland Shire Council has established a Sport and Recreation COVID Fund to help sporting clubs and recreation reserves recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

Funding of up to \$1,000 (excluding GST) is available to eligible applicants to promote community connection and social inclusion, to increase sporting and recreation opportunities and to help sporting clubs respond and recover from emergencies and disasters.

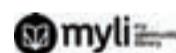
Not-for-profit sport and recreation groups and clubs based in South Gippsland are encouraged to apply. A total of \$40,000 is

available and applications will be assessed as they are received. Applications will close when the funding allocation is exhausted.

To find out more or to apply, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/COVIDsupport

South Gippsland Shire Council's Sport and Recreation COVID grants are funded as part of the COVID-19 Community Support Package.

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COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 18 May 2022, 2.00pm
(Council Chambers, Leongatha)

Dates are also listed on Council's website: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/meeting-dates

If you cannot attend the 'open' component of the Council Meeting in person, you can access a live stream through Council's website:

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Council conducts its meetings according to *COVID Safe Plan* requirements.

Please contact the Governance team for questions about Council Meetings.

REQUEST FOR TENDER

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

RFT/324 Leongatha Municipal Office Refurbishment

Tenders close 2.00pm AEST on Tuesday 31 May 2022. Documentation is available from Council's e-Tendering Portal: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/tenders

IMPOUNDED VEHICLE

Council impounded the following vehicle in accordance with Schedule 11 of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

2008 Grey Mazda Sedan

Impounded on: 27 April 2022

Impounded from: Bate Street, Leongatha

Registration Number: WKA781

Engine Number: JM0DE10Y180113942

Unless this vehicle is collected and relevant fees paid within 14 days of the date of this notice, the vehicle will be offered for sale to the public. For enquiries, please contact the Local Laws team on 5662 9200 during office hours.

IMPOUNDED VEHICLE – NOTICE OF SALE

Council impounded the following vehicle in accordance with Schedule 11 of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

2004 Blue Nissan Pulsar Sedan

Impounded on: 20 April 2022

Impounded from: Davenport Road, Loch

Registration Number: SRR989

VIN Number: JN1CBAN16A0073298

As this vehicle has not been collected and relevant fees paid within 14 days of

impoundment, the vehicle will now be offered for sale to the public.

Offers marked 'Abandoned Vehicle' and addressed to the Coordinator Local Laws, South Gippsland Shire Council, Private Bag 4, Leongatha VIC 3953 are hereby invited for the purchase and removal from Council of the aforementioned abandoned vehicle. Offers close at 2.00pm on 27 May 2022 and are to be delivered to Council's reception area at 9 Smith Street, Leongatha on or before the said time and date. The vehicle can be viewed at the Council Impound Yard by appointment with the Local Laws department on 5662 9200. The highest or any offer will not necessarily be accepted.

WORKS THIS WEEK

For a list of upcoming works, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/works

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Driver program needs you

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council is seeking volunteer mentor drivers to be part of its 'L2P Learner Driver Program' and help young people in the community obtain their driver's licences.

To become a driver mentor, you need to be fully licensed and be able to give one to two hours of time to mentoring each week towards helping young drivers gain proficiency and reach their 120 hours of driving goal.

For more information or to express your interest in becoming an L2P driver mentor, please contact Denise Trani on 5662 9200 or visit southgippsland.vic.gov.au/L2P.

Tourism potential to be discussed

AS THE Great Southern Rail Trail (GSRT) grows longer, South Gippsland Shire Council is keen to maximise its tourism potential, with a draft version of a marketing plan now in place to help manage the process.

Councillors are expected to vote at Wednesday's public meeting to put the Visitor Experience & Marketing Plan 2022-31 draft version up for community consultation.

The plan has multiple aims, including drawing more visitors to South Gippsland, encouraging and facilitating coordinated marketing between towns and businesses along the trail, and also boosting its use by local residents.

Additionally, it is intended to support existing events, arts and cultural activities in towns connected by the trail, as well as establishing new ones that will act as further reasons for people to visit and stay in the region.

With the GSRT continuing to evolve, the draft plan includes ideas on long-term projects, although it is acknowledged it's not practical to assign great detail to them at this stage.

While the attractions of the GSRT are apparent to those already familiar with it, including the chance to enjoy the natural beauty of its surrounds and have healthy fun in the outdoors, the plan identifies barriers that need to be addressed to broaden the trail's appeal.

They include lack of awareness, perceptions the trail is not well maintained, or is boring, and concerns that little is open or happening in the towns the trail connects.

Improved communication, including a reorganised website, and new marketing content to better convey the trail's benefits to a variety of potential users is seen as important to enhance perceptions.

For barriers that can't be changed, such as issues with weather, distance and inconsistent town offers, it is recommended to help potential visitors to better prepare for a GSRT journey.

Ideas such as providing recommended itineraries, relevant accommodation directories, easy to find accessibility information, weather forecasts and tips are suggested.

Forming stronger connections between towns, community groups and businesses along the trail is also identified as important, with guidance to help them understand their role in promoting the GSRT, a key to boosting their success and the prosperity of the region.

The final stage of community engagement for the Great Southern Rail Trail Visitor Experience & Marketing Plan is expected to run from May 19 until June 2, pending Wednesday's vote.



Apprentices Jenneke Kijlstra-Shone (middle, top row) of Stony Creek and Taj Lyttle of Harmers Haven (top row, second right) were proud to receive their awards at the 2022 Master Builders Victoria (MBV) State Apprentice of the Year Awards.

Local apprentices shine in state awards

TWO locals were among 16 apprentices awarded at the 2022 Master Builders Victoria (MBV) State Apprentice of the Year Awards recently.

Jenneke Kijlstra-Shone of Stony Creek, who was nominated by TAFE Gippsland, received the Apprentice of the Year – Developing Leader Award.

Jenneke is employed by Amber Creek Saw Milling and was nominated for demonstrating high artistry in her carpentry work.

Taj Lyttle of Harmers Haven, who was nominated by AGA Apprenticeships Plus, took out the President's Award.

Taj's host employer is Coldon Homes, with his nomination stating he loves how carpentry allows him to use his skills to create beautiful pieces of work.

Around 150 apprentices were nominated by their training provider or employer this year, but only 16 applicants received an award.

The awardees received their accolade in front of 500 guests at a gala celebration at Marvel Stadium.

"This year, a new suite of awards recognised the diversity of skills and strengths found in our nominees," Acting MBV CEO Tristan Moseley said.

"The apprentices' most vital attributes determined the awards presented on the night.

"These awards prove that a career in the building and construction industry is open to everyone, male or female, and I encourage anyone looking for work to consider it strongly."

Nominations for the 2023 Master Builders Victoria Regional and State Apprentice of the Year Awards open in September 2022.

Apprentices, builders and training providers seeking more information about nominations are encouraged to contact the MBV Pathways or Events team on 9411 4555.

Coal Creek not being 'gutted': Shire

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Mayor Cr Mohya Davies has quashed rumours about Coal Creek Community Park and Museum.

"We are aware that there has been concern amongst some community members about what is occurring at Coal Creek and would like to clear up any misinformation," Cr Davies said in a statement yesterday (Monday, May 15).

"We are currently undertaking maintenance works at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum to ensure safety and improve security. Many of these works are to clear up fallen branches, trees and damaged vegetation following the June 2021 storms. As a result of these works, and due to recent break in attempts, a fence with gates has been erected within the park. This will help to ensure the safety of staff and visitors and provide additional security for the collection.

"Additionally, one shed –

which is not one of the buildings that forms part of the heritage collection – will be demolished as it was assessed and found to have structural issues that could not be repaired.

No other buildings are being demolished as part of the works.

"There have also been some claims made about the train in Coal Creek Community Park and Museum. I would like to assure our community that council is not in the process of selling the bush tramway. In fact, our Coal Creek team have been having productive discussions with a number of interested volunteers and groups about preserving the attraction and getting it functional again.

"Council has also recently contacted all Coal Creek volunteers to determine their interest in returning to the park and have had some great meetings to expedite this process. We are keen to see volunteers return

to site, when they feel comfortable to do so. Volunteers are one of Coal Creek's greatest assets and we value their ongoing support.

"As for the future of Coal Creek, there are many more conversations to be had, both with council and the community. Feedback received during the engagement period for the arts, culture and creative industries will help council to understand our community's thoughts about Coal Creek and plan a way forward but there are more discussions to be had and ideas to be considered.

"To suggest that the park is in the process of being 'gutted' is nonsensical, misleading and creates unnecessary concern in our community and to our valued staff and volunteers. Council does not currently have a plan for Coal Creek but is keen to develop one, but only after extensive consultation with our local community," said Ms Davies.



Wonthaggi marks Workers Day

MORE than 20 people rallied in Apex Park to mark International Workers Day on May 1.

Wonthaggi has a proud tradition of May Day rallies and marches since the mining days, when the miners fought for fair wages and

safe working conditions.

In 1937, 200 miners and their families travelled in convoy to the Melbourne May Day march with their union banners.

At this year's rally, people spoke on the need for green jobs, as well as concern

around cuts to the NDIS, cafe workers receiving low wages, refugees, the futility of war and the history of union struggles here and abroad.

The rally finished with a rousing rendition of 'Solidarity Forever'.

Mayor's Message



Cr Mohya Davies



FIRSTLY, I would like to thank everyone who provided their feedback as part of the Integrated Plans engagement period. This is the largest engagement that Council has ever done, and is a testament to not only the Council staff who created the list of events and all the resources, but the Councillors who threw themselves behind these events, attended so enthusiastically and heard what the community has to say.

Councillors will now work hard to review the feedback and consider what we can add as part of the suite of plans that were on exhibition.

On Thursday I attended a tour at the Victorian Livestock Exchange in Koonwarra alongside the Chief Executive Officer, Kerryn Ellis. It was a great opportunity to visit one of the leading sale yards in Victoria and I left with a better understanding of their needs and the significant economic benefits they bring to South Gippsland.

I attended the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival on Saturday and heard from even more people about our draft integrated plans. It was also great looking at all the fabulous work that people had done to create their tea cosy's. This event is always so uplifting and a wonderful opportunity for Fish Creek to shine.

After the Tea Cosy Festival, I attended a charity dinner to support those who have fled Ukraine at St Peter's Anglican Church in Leongatha. The event was supported by Olga Rysko, who was originally from Ukraine. During the evening, she shared with us food from her homelands and shed light on the war in Ukraine. Although she left the country 17 years ago, the horrible war unfolding in her home country is close to her heart as her mother, sister and other relatives still live there.

It was extremely powerful listening to her and incredibly humbling. We are so lucky to live in this country, and it is events like this that truly make us all reflect and give thanks for what we have.

Wednesday 18 May is Council Meeting day. I strongly encourage you to get involved in the meetings however you can as there are so many ways to keep up to date on what we are discussing. You can either watch live on YouTube, attend the gallery, or watch back anytime on Council's website: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live

You can also subscribe to Council's fortnightly newsletter, In the Know. Being on this list, you will also receive updates from the Council Meeting each month. To subscribe, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/intheknow

During May, Council are running sessions called 'Get Techy, Get Ready' in conjunction with Myli - My Community Library. The sessions have been designed to inform members of the community the emergency apps they need on their phone. If you need support with knowing the right apps to have or downloading them, these sessions are for you. To register, visit your local library or search the events on Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.com.au



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Lessons from 2021 storms to guide SES response

VICSES units across Gippsland are gearing up again for winter, with the devastation of last year's storms leading to improved protocols during a severe weather event.

Being one of the busiest years on record, VICSES responded to more than 46,000 requests for assistance, with 4700 of those in Gippsland during 2021.

Leongatha VICSES unit controller Matt Saario said the past financial year had been extremely demanding, with members responding to almost 350 callouts.

"Most of those were related to downed trees and building damage," he said.

"As a result of that, we've got new members who are trained for chainsaw operations as well as working at heights and flood management.

"With the lifting of COVID restrictions, we've had three new members join and another three recently through word of mouth."

Fortunately, the unit is in a strong position for this winter, with almost 40 active members.

"It's a good number and it has added some surge capacity to the unit," he said.

The unit's community education facilitators are also working with Red Cross and council to help residents better prepare for storms and

By Nick Sinis

power outages.

VICSES East Regional Manager, Anthony McLean, added that the extreme weather events last year were extremely damaging and distressing for affected communities.

"There were a number of challenges during the June extreme weather event. In particular, intelligence-gathering and communication were affected by adverse weather and the significant impact on critical infrastructure," Mr McLean said.

The emergency management sector has been working to ensure we have access to better intelligence from weather forecasts and reviewed command and control arrangements.

"VICSES has also reviewed training, incident protocols and warning arrangements to ensure continuous improvement."

Mr McLean said the organisation had trained a further 60 field observers to share real-time observations during incidents, and is also reviewing SES township-based local guides across Gippsland.

VICSES units are always on the look for more members, with a number of operational and support roles available and full training provided.

Head to ses.vic.gov.au/join us to find out more.



Leongatha VICSES has had a number of new members sign up recently, just in time for another winter season.



The past year has been one of the busiest for Leongatha VICSES, with almost 350 callouts.

Talking tradies

THE Phillip Island Business Network is holding an event called 'All Things Tradie' on Friday, May 25, from 4.30pm to 6.30pm at Ripples n Tonic Farm Stay at 422 Ventnor Road, Ventnor.

It is an event dedicated to the unique opportunities and challenges of being a tradesperson working on Phillip Island and surrounds.

All Things Tradie will cover topics including subcontractor versus employee, with Simon from Coastal View Financial Services to discuss the differences and advantages of both.

Sponsored by Capeview Mitre 10, both members and non-members are invited to join this free event to network and learn with a sausage sizzle and cold drink provided.

RSVP by May 20 to Jessica at admin@pibn.com.au or 0400 640 489.

Voter mayhem at Wonthaggi

IT'S welcome, of course, but the roadworks around the problem Wonthaggi intersection of Murray Street and Biggs Drive/Billson Street, are creating havoc, nonetheless.

Early voters, intending on going to the Senior Citizens Centre, are better off entering Murray Street from Drysdale Street, as even parking in the Woolies' carpark and walking over is problematic.

It's also a problem for the Wonthaggi Medical Centre. Locally, you can vote early at the following locations:

- Wonthaggi Senior Citizens Centre, 46-50 Murray St, Wonthaggi. Opening hours: Monday, May 9 to Friday, May 13 - 8.30am-5.30pm. Saturday, May 14 - 9am-4pm. Monday, May 16 to Thursday, May 19 - 8.30am-5.30pm. Friday, May 20 - 8.30am-6pm.
- Cowes St Philips Anglican Church Hall, 102-110 Thompson Ave, Cowes. Opening hours: Monday, May 16 to Thursday, May 19 - 8.30am-5.30pm. Friday, May 20 - 8.30am-6pm.

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Property Prices

- Past, present and future

By David Caporale,
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THIS editorial will follow the 'buying and selling property' series with a look at the history, current state and outlook of property prices.

Throughout Australia's history, housing price growth has had 3 major periods. The post World War boom's accounted for two of the three major growth periods that occurred during the 1920s and between 1945 to the early 1970s. The third major period on the other hand, since the late 1990s, has not been a result of a post war boom. Instead, the boom in property prices experienced the last 25 years was mostly attributed to two factors: the change in interest rates and population.

The change in interest rates is easily understood by looking at the cash rate set by the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) which generally impacts home loan rates. The highest recorded cash rate of 17.50% happened in January 1990 and dropped to its lowest recorded rate of 0.10% in November 2020. The gradual decrease in interest rates over this period resulted in Australian's borrowing more and thus paying more for property. Conversely, during the same period the population increased relative to the housing supply, which was largely due to immigration. This in turn created a higher demand for property, thus pushing up property prices even further.

Whilst history shows us that property prices go up over time (and booms occur), it is important to remember that property price falls also occur. To illustrate, over the last 40 years capital city average prices had top to bottom falls (i.e. greater than 5%) of 9% in 1982-83; 6% in 1989-91; 8% in 2008-09; 6% in 2010-12; and 10% in 2017-19*. Interestingly, interest rate increases preceded all the price falls since 1980, so if history repeats itself then we may see property prices fall again with the inevitable rate rises looming.

Turning to last year, residential property prices rose 23.7% according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics residential property prices index. The gains were driven by post COVID recovery from lockdowns, pent up demand, increased savings and spending on goods with housing being one of them. However, despite this massive surge CoreLogic

data showed as at 30 April 2022 the last quarter in both Sydney and Melbourne dropped 0.50% and 0.10% respectively and the combined capital cities only rose 1.0%. It was Brisbane and Adelaide that lead the charge last quarter each gaining 5.7% and 5.4%. Regionally, the data shows continued strong growth, noting a first quarter result of a 4.70% increase. Overall the annual growth trend in home values has dropped sharply from its peak of 22.20% growth over the year ending November 2021, to 16.70% over the year ending April 2022.

Interest rate rises should slow property price growth further and given the RBA's concerns about the rapid rate of inflation - reaching 3.5% in the first quarter of this year - more cash rate rises are likely ahead. The May cash rate rise of 0.25% is the first in over 11 years. How many more rate rises we will experience this year is uncertain and only time will tell.

This leads us into the future of property prices and the outlook going forward. With the slowdown in property price growth already underway a number of economists are predicting values will still rise in 2022, albeit only slightly, 1% - 8%, in comparison to the double digits seen in the last two years. The forecasts vary between economists for 2023 and 2024 but the consensus is a decline of 5-10% and 10-15% respectively may occur over the consecutive years. The reasons for the decline include: housing affordability, RBA cash rate rises, higher inflation and eventual decline in buyer confidence. There are also the pessimists predicting a property crash, which has been said every year for the last 20 years and so far they have been wrong. If the decline in prices does eventuate it will be more likely a correction rather than a crash.

To be fair predictions are difficult at the best of times and no one has a crystal ball so be careful when reading or listening to what others say before making any financial decisions as no one truly knows what will go up or down until after it occurs.

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Fish Creek welcomes crowds far and wide

PEOPLE flocked to the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival on Saturday, with a large gathering already in place for the event's official opening.

Judge Robyn Lauder, from near Taree, had a significant workload judging a range of tea cosy categories, a challenge she clearly enjoyed.

She had the assistance of Heather Gibson, one of those who founded the festival in 2013.

The late Deidre Granger, who then worked in the Fish Creek post office was the one who originally proposed the unusual but now wildly popular event.

"We thought it was a stupid idea," Heather conceded, but she's glad that Deidre's enthusiasm brought her and many others onboard.

She explained that when Deidre passed away, others initially wondered if they could keep the festival going without her, but quickly realised they wanted to do so in her honour.

Current festival president Marge Arnup provides the same energy and organisational zest as Deidre brought.

Marge said it was initially thought that it might be a low-key restart to the Tea Cosy Festival after the disruptions of Covid, but the wave of volunteers and community enthusiasm ensured that idea was quickly swept aside.

Organising the volunteers and matching their skills and time capacity to the available jobs is one of Marge's challenges in organising the event, particularly given it runs for over a week.

The festival fulfills an important social function in Fish Creek and surrounds.

"It's allowed new members in the community to connect with others," Marge said.

Saturday's opening drew



Alison Copeland displays her winning entry in the Seasons category. A36_2022

attendees from far and wide, with many coming from Melbourne.

Judge Robyn has become a bit of a celebrity since calling an ABC radio program to let the presenter know tea cosies are still very much on the scene after he suggested that might not be the case.

She'll be back on air giving an update of the Fish Creek event.

Robyn felt immediately at home in the small community.

"I had never met any of these Fish Creek people prior to Thursday night and I feel like I'm part of the family," she declared.

Cosy categories judged included traditional, 'seasons', 'seasons tempestuous', and 'exuberant whimsy'.

Winner in the Seasons section, Alison Copeland, created a stunning beach scene, Gal and Gulls, complete with a stealthful seagull stealing a chip from the girl's container.

Despite her theme, Lilydale's Alison is less of a beach lover than a crochet enthusiast.

The festival was a family affair for one group now living in Melbourne, with mum Sarah spotting a previous

running of the event on ABC program Back Roads.

Such was her enthusiasm, Sarah got her mum and kids involved in producing entries for the event.

Her mum Loris is into crochet and created an eye-catching green dinosaur.

The ancient creatures also featured in Sarah's felt cosy.

"I got sick of picking them up," she said of her son Xander's toy dinosaurs that are incorporated into one of her two entries.

Xander decorated a couple of cosies for the event and even baby Amaya was enlisted to help out with one entry.

Member for Eastern Victoria, Melina Bath, was delighted to open the festival, having been born into the Fish Creek region.

"The work behind the scenes is enormous," Melina said of the effort volunteers put into organising the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival.

She invited 10 of them to high tea at Parliament House to acknowledge their efforts.

Opening day was also special due to the setting of a Guinness World Record for the world's largest tea cosy, displayed outside as it was too big to manage in the hall.



Members of the South Gippsland Shire Brass Band in front of the world's largest tea cosy. Back row: Bruce Jarrett, Charles Pearce, Darryl Hunt, Nigel Hutchinson-Brooks, Rudy Bannen, Melissa Denbrook, Hannah Richards, Doug Appleton, Stacey Sargent; front, Katie Cantwell, Teagan Denbrook.

Band adds to record occasion

THE South Gippsland Shire Brass Band members were happy to provide the musical backdrop for the Fish Creek community's Guinness World Record for the largest tea cosy on Saturday.

Despite the rain, the enthusiasm of the large crowd and well wishes from across Victoria and Australia made for a very enjoyable day.

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The team responsible for the world's largest tea cosy show off their work, with the main organiser Dianne MacDonald wearing the tiara. A38_2022

World record set at Fish Creek

WHILE the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival has already boosted awareness of the town to a stunning extent, it will now be added to the Guinness Book of Records for displaying the world's largest tea cosy.

The bright creation measured a whopping 5.11 metres high, with a 19.3 metre circumference and 6.24 metre diameter.

It smashed the previous record cosy that had a still impressive height of 2.4 metres and an 11.1 metre circumference.

Frankston's Dianne MacDonald drove the project, with many others pitching in through the town's Knit a Row and Go (Karag) to create the many squares needed to form the record-breaking cosy.

While creating it has been fun for all, the opportunity to admire it was fleeting.

"It has been broken down to become rugs," Dianne said, explaining Karag usually creates rugs for those needing them.

Given Saturday's rain, the rugs will be dried out before transportation to Lismore

where they are needed.

Dianne's mum Joan MacDonald and sister Deb Bradbury joined the crew preparing the stunning colourful and gigantic cosy on Saturday, having travelled from Western Australia to be involved.

Of course, to be displayed effectively and to function as a tea cosy, a pot was needed, no small challenge given the dimensions involved.

Tony Anderson took charge of the metal pot's design, with Andrew Hellyer pitching in to weld it.

A finishing touch was added

with 'steam' coming from the spout.

Being a little larger than a practical tea pot, the metal supplied by Tony's company will be recycled.

Dianne said other records were considered, but were deemed impractical, such as the world's largest rug, which is already the size of four football fields.

Still, what could be more apt than a giant tea cosy in Fish Creek, a town now synonymous with an everyday object that lends itself to such great creativity.

Confluence to perform at Tea Cosy Festival

NAUTILUS Theatre is happy to announce the return of Confluence, a popular production when performed in 2021.

Now Confluence is back for a single performance at Fish Creek's wonderful Tea Cosy Festival.

Confluence tells the story of two lives through a 50-year exchange of letters.

Celia is a former champion swimmer whose life has been derailed by a personal tragedy, while Lewis is a teacher and poet who has followed rivers all his life from their first bubbling in mountains through to their arrival at the sea.

The letters begin when Celia and Lewis are young pen pals before moving through their whole lives up until their old age. The letters tell interweaving stories that are warm and human, moving and comic, beguiling and sad.

The lead performer is Christine Skicko. Christine has worked with most of the theatre companies throughout Gippsland. Her most recent role was as Geraldine Granger, the Vicar, in The Vicar of Dibley with FAMDA.

Also performing is author Chris Dickens, who has written many plays over a long career. These plays have been performed in theatres across Australia, been studied at the National Institute of Dramatic Art, commissioned for theatre companies and universities and led to an author's speech at a UNESCO Conference in Frankfurt, Germany. His new work is One, a collection of monologues for young actors, which is being published in London this year.

Confluence is being performed at the Union Church in Fish Creek.

Confluence features five original artwork banners for the set and is backed by a haunting original soundtrack.

Audiences loved this play in 2021, describing it as 'moving', 'beautifully written' and performed with 'flair and authority'.

There is limited seating available for this performance, on Saturday, May 21 at 8pm. To book, email christopherdickins@gmail.com or phone 0428 560 842.

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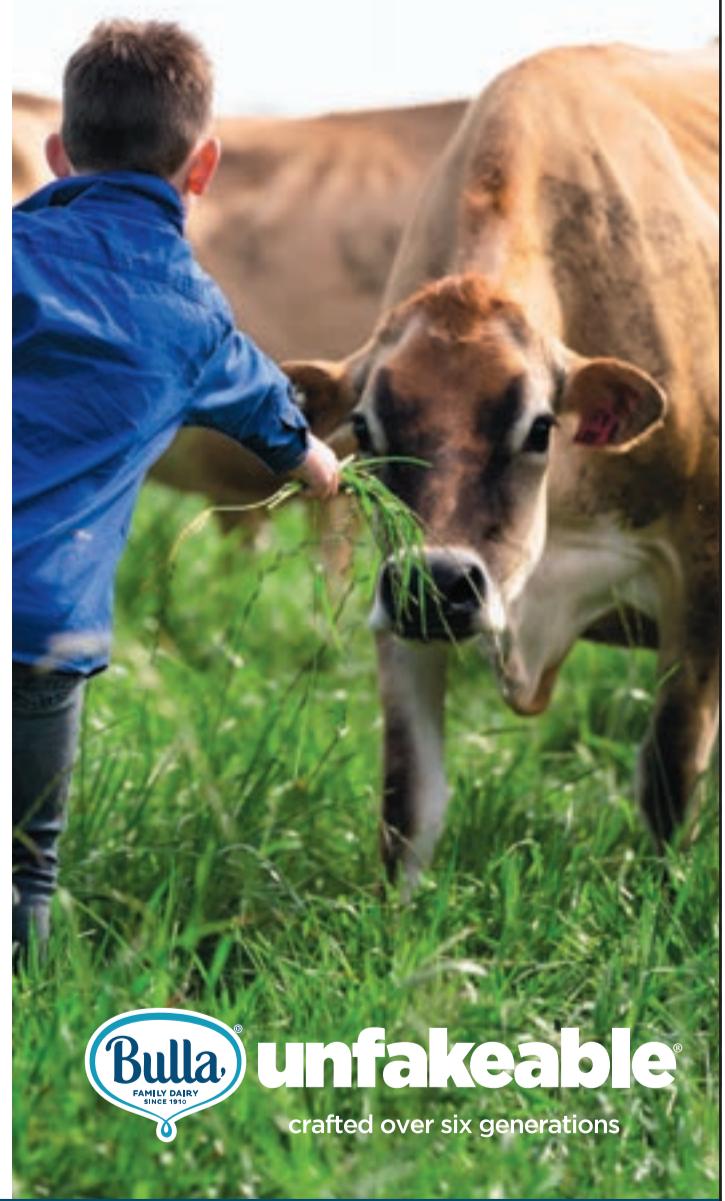
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Cape Woolamai foreshore rehabilitation

BASS Coast Shire is undertaking works to rehabilitate a deliberately damaged section of the Cape Woolamai foreshore.

Recent activity, including the creation of BMX and motorbike tracks, has resulted in extensive damage to native vegetation and has increased the risk of erosion, council said.

Mayor Cr Michael Whelan said council "does not tolerate deliberate damage to precious foreshore reserves, so we will be removing the tracks and rehabilitating the site".

"There has also been considerable community outrage at the damage that has occurred."

If anyone sees motorbikes being ridden in the foreshore reserve, they are encouraged to notify the police.

"Our officers will be monitoring the site for further activity and taking all necessary action to prevent this from happening again," Cr Whelan said.

Council is currently developing a Tracks and Trails Strategy that will provide strategic direction for a network of tracks and trails across the shire, which will include bicycle tracks and BMX areas, council said.

"We expect that the draft Tracks and Trails Strategy will be released for community consultation by the end of this year," Cr Whelan said.

A community engagement period will give everyone the opportunity to review the draft strategy and provide their feedback and comments, council said.

Phillip Island Bridge

MONDAY, May 9, saw five-and-a-half tables at play. The club warmly welcomed new players Leanne Eames and Hikaru Dunn. Diane Coleman and Leng Haggith claimed top spot with 62.5%. Lorrie Red and Neville Chapman finished second on 58.33%. Third place went to Ruth Harvey and Ann Green.

On Wednesday, May 11, there were three-and-a-half tables. Several usual players are holidaying. Moya Crowley and Jill Short are competing in the Noosa bridge get away. We wish them well.

Third place on the day went to Clare and Jim Murphy. Molly Downing and Miranda Sage had a good day and came second on 60.42%. Wendy and Graham McKergow surprised them selves to get 63.54% and come first. There is an old saying in bridge, roosters one week, feather dusters the next.

A reminder that social bridge is on every Thursday at 1pm. The environment is relaxed, and discussion of play occurs to exchange ideas and to help improve play. It is an ideal opportunity for new players to build their skills. Partners are not required. Contact Wendy McKergow on 0459 200 265 for more information.

Dance outside the lines

WHEN dancer and community artist Samara Cunningham was in her late teens, she discovered a world of dance 'outside the lines' of theatres and ballet shoes.

Born and raised in Tasmania, she recalls a former teacher converting an old woolshed in Launceston's industrial estate into a repurposed "cutting edge" performance space.

"I thought; dance can be this," the now 44-year-old says from her home in Fish Creek.

"There was an element of putting yourself on show, allowing people to see you differently – just not the traditional way. It gave a young person a feeling that anything is possible."

This potentiality of dance, and its capacity to be enjoyed and practised anywhere and by anyone, has driven Samara to create a rich, inclusive performing arts scene in South Gippsland.

Dance and movement have no boundaries in Samara's home and professional life.

At home, you'll find her dropping the beat to retro hip hop in the kitchen with her three kids, whirling pirouettes on the backyard trampoline or scheming the next flash mob in town.

For her husband's 40th birthday, she managed to talk the town, including the postmaster, to dance to the 70s disco hit, My Boogie Shoes, in the main street. "I had lots of parents, shopkeepers et cetera, meeting for secret rehearsals," Samara says. "I put on the sound system, and everyone came together."

Beyond the fun of seeing Fish Creek groove in public, it's an example of Samara's commitment to shifting clichés of dance and performance as an exclusive, high-brow practice for city dwellers and professionally trained artists.

"Since living regionally [in South Gippsland], I've been trying to break down stereotypes of who can dance," Samara says.

"I work with people with disability, and I work with regional boys who don't think they can dance in school workshops... I show them my son, who performed in a ballet concert last year," she says.

While Samara believes some stereotypes remain, the local community has responded to



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- Samara Cunningham

her tenacious drive to provide cultural experiences that don't require a Melbourne trip.

Her determination has led to a regular radio spot on ABC Gippsland each Thursday morning, spruiking upcoming shows and events from the outskirts of Melbourne, the Bass Strait to the south and the eastern towns of Bairnsdale and Orbost.

"What I've observed in the nine years of living in South Gippsland is an openness to get involved and do things," the artist says. "But you've got to put out the offer and make it clear that this is for everyone. Everyone can participate in dance, and everyone has a story to share."

In her early 20s, Samara received a BA in Performing Arts at the Western Australian Academy of Arts in contemporary dance. After that, she decided to meet the limitations of competitive professional dance scene in Australia head on, by working against the norms to create opportunities for inclusive, community-based dance and arts projects.

Her journey led her to Melbourne in an administrative role at Knox Community Arts Centre in Melbourne's eastern suburbs. The position developed her arts marketing skills, community arts program facilitation and a network of Melbourne artists that she would later call upon to enrich the South Gippsland art scene. A stint as a high school teacher in Caulfield forged teaching skills that proved instrumental to workshop facilitation and artistic direction.

Today, Samara is artistic director of (it's no) drama, a Leongatha-based theatre company with founder Emily Ardley. Since 2015, this inclusive physical theatre ensemble has

provided an environment for people with disability to develop professional experiences and industry recognition in the arts.

Samara speaks of the (it's no) drama crew with deep respect and fondness – noting their courage and humour as people embracing disability as part of their identity.

Performer Steve, from Leongatha, who also works at Leongatha Woolworths in the fruit and veggie section, is an "amazing" dancer and comedian. Murray from Warragul entertains with his passion for black and white theatre, shadow puppetry and "impeccable" ability to mimic train announcements.

"Our performers are open and curious by nature," she beams. "I come away from every session so upbeat and positive about life; they are all so funny, great to be around and committed to the artistic process."

But it's not just working with performers with a disability. Samara creates opportunities for the local community to experience professional-level arts experiences.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, she choreographed a participant-inspired performance with community members to express how they filled the void during repeated statewide lockdowns. It was a project that allowed her to develop a performance inspired by participants' interests and experiences while teaching them some of the movement and acting techniques normally inaccessible outside contemporary dance studios.

"I have a deep sense of social justice and equality; it's about every person having something to contribute," she says.

This month, Samara has

invited the community to engage in a project at Fish Creek's quintessential country grandma 'Tea Cosy' festival from May 14 to 22.

The Action Station free workshop series invited the community to attend dance, sound and film workshops over ten sessions in the Fish Creek Hall to develop movement, theatre and performance skills that will go on show at the Tea Cosy Festival on May 21.

"What more could you need [in life]?" Samara quips on the workshop series Facebook event.

"It's great for an audience to see a work, but it's about inspiring the performer in some way and creating opportunities to explore their creativity."

Whatever the format or modality of a performing arts event, Samara is a conduit, injecting the world of performance into the region's everyday reality.

"There's a whole thought process of dance but it's also just fun," she says.

Celebrate Her!

'Celebrate Her!' is a project inspired by the global celebration of International Women's Day and aimed at bringing it right back home to South Gippsland to celebrate the women who live and work amongst us in 2022.

Over the next 12 months, 'Celebrate Her!' will collect nominations of women you would like to see acknowledged and we will work with them respectfully to record their voices and their stories.

The end result is to be a published collection that our whole community can be proud of.

It will be launched on International Women's Day 2023.

If you know a woman whose work amongst us, or whose advocacy, leadership and passion for issues that impact our community inspires you, please nominate her.

She deserves to be celebrated for what she does.

To fill out the nomination form, go to promrecitals.org.au/celebrate-her.

Questions include:

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Momentum Ensemble musicians are committed to using their skills to share a diverse range of musical styles with audiences throughout Australia. Photo: Sarah Walker.

Inspiring the next generation of musicians

A GROUP of dynamic orchestral performers will be showcasing their talents in South Gippsland this month.

Momentum Ensemble – featuring Australian Youth Orchestra graduates – will be performing a show titled 'Belonging' in Meeniyan on Friday, May 27.

The evening show has been organised by Prom Recitals, a group of South Gippsland locals who are sharing their love of music and the Prom Country region through the presentation of classical music recitals.

The not-for-profit organisation run by volunteers has subsidised the concert for the next generation of musicians.

with schools offered tickets at \$12.50 each, while general admission is \$20.

Momentum Ensemble shares Prom Recitals' passion for bringing classical music to communities, with the musicians committed to using their skills to share a diverse range of musical styles with audiences throughout Australia.

Momentum Ensemble has collaborated with celebrated conductor Ariel Zuckermann to take the Meeniyan crowd on a 70-minute journey through a series of short, atmospheric works inspired by the landscape and transporting locals to an extraordinary moment in time.

The concert repertoire showcases Gif-

ford – Brenda Bardju, Takemitsu – Rain Coming, Potter – Belonging and Longing to Be, and Skipworth – Aven Asperitas, with a piece for orchestra and film especially commissioned for the ensemble by Lachlan Skipworth and photographer Greg Barrett.

The program concludes with a unique arrangement of Mussorgsky's famous orchestral suite 'Pictures at an Exhibition'.

Momentum Ensemble will perform at the Meeniyan Town Hall at 97 Whitelaw Street on Friday, May 27, at 6pm.

For tickets, go to trybooking.com/BZJSK.

Share your brass band memories

PAST band member and local Leongatha identity Ken McInnes shared his memories with current South Gippsland Shire Brass Band musicians during a recent visit, including playing for royalty.

His visit to Leongatha's Court House, and nostalgic inspection of old band photos dating back to 1902, was prompted by the institution's 130th birthday this year.

The visit rekindled detailed recollections from Ken's 12 years in the band.

In 1954, the then Woorayl Municipal Band assembled outside the Traralgon Hotel, playing for Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Phillip on their first visit to Australia after the Queen's coronation.

Huge crowds lined the roads, with the band adding to the atmosphere as the royal cavalcade passed, and with young Ken playing cornet.

Almost 70 years later, he still remembers the publican shouting the adult band members a free beer and the younger members a lemonade.

On a sad note, Ken also recalled the band's part in marking the death of King George VI, the cur-

rent Queen's father.

When he died on February 6, 1952, the band marched in Leongatha to the beat of drums, which were draped in black cloths as a mark of respect.

There were no other instruments, just marching and the muted drums, which gave a very sombre sound.

Band member Frank Campbell accompanied the band, calling out 'The King is dead, the King is dead'.

Despite the lack of television, mobile phones or Facebook in those days, the memory has stayed with Ken.

His visit and recollections prompted a call for others to share their memories and photos of the band.

"The South Gippsland Shire Brass Band is very proud of its history, and will do everything possible to ensure that South Gippsland has a brass band to feel proud of for many decades to come," president Darryl Hunt said.

For more information, contact Darryl on 0409 444 210 or at PO Box 57, Leongatha, 3953.



Past member of Woorayl Municipal Band Ken McInnes paid a recent visit to Leongatha Court House, where the now South Gippsland Shire Brass Band rehearses, sharing special memories.

Serving up more jobs

THE state government is set to spend \$6 million to provide 240 jobseekers with hospitality and tourism traineeships in regional Victoria, including in Gippsland.

The program, the government said, would help address workforce shortages across the state.

Trainees will receive 12 months of secure employment, undertaking placements across regional businesses, while completing a Certificate III in Hospitality or Tourism.

To attract staff, trainees will be paid a wage supplement up to \$10,000 above the relevant industry award over the 12-month period.

They will also receive

one-on-one mentoring in the lead up to the traineeship and while on the job.

Roles will be prioritised for women over 45, people under 25, Aboriginal Victorians and people who are long-term unemployed.

The program will roll out across regional Victoria with a focus on the hospitality and tourism centres of the South Coast, Geelong, Colac, Ballarat, Bendigo, Echuca, Mildura and Gippsland between now and mid-2023.

People looking for work can register for the Jobs Victoria Online Hub and explore a range of other free employment support services on offer by visiting jobs.vic.gov.au.

Decision in pipeline for Jam Jerrup roads, drains

BASS Coast Shire will decide this week whether to proceed with community consultation following a petition calling for the sealing of Bay and Foreshore Roads at Jam Jerrup.

The petition, which contained 48 signatures, was received at council's March meeting this year, and stated: 'All residents have had their say with more than 70% wanting the road sealed.'

"Being that we are a public beach we get a lot of tourist traffic and since COVID this has become increasingly worse, the dust is now becoming a health hazard too, particularly our drinking water."

"The road is constantly having to be graded (at council's expense) due to corrugation caused by the amount of traffic we receive, particularly along Bay Road, residents are concerned about the damage caused to cars due to road conditions."

A council report recommends that the

shire undertake initial community consultation and survey property owners to confirm those willing to financially contribute towards a road and drainage upgrade project, as part of a special charge scheme.

Bay and Foreshore Roads are 19th in priority on the shire's Urban Road and Drainage Improvement Evaluation List 2019.

"If the project proceeds to the planning phase, an indicative budget of \$120,000 would be required to undertake project development activities such as: community consultation for concept options; liaison with other key stakeholders; feature survey and service proving; geotechnical investigation; traffic counts and pavement design; and cost estimates," a council report stated.

"If the project proceeds to the planning phase a project budget could be considered for adoption as part of the 2023/24 budget process."

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National Reconciliation Week

More than a word. Reconciliation Takes Action

Walk Together for Reconciliation

Tuesday 31 May 11am-2pm, 2022

- Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony
- Walk across the bridge from San Remo to Newhaven
- Speeches, music, BBQ.

Meet at San Remo Foreshore – Marine Parade San Remo

EVENT INFO

basscoast.vic.gov.au/reconciliation

Call Patrice on 0438 688 859

Bass Coast supports reconciliation and acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land and waters on which we live, work and learn, the Bunurong. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community members.





Bass Coast Reconciliation Network and members of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community (back) Sally O'Neill, Anna Eggleton, Sam Weston, Aunty Beverly Munro, Dr Marg Lynn and Aunty Doseena Fergie, Geoff Russell (front) and Paul Patten.

All invited to participate in reconciliation

BASS Coast Reconciliation Network invites everyone to come together for two significant events to learn, heal and explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation.

The events commence with National Sorry Day, which is held on May 26 each year.

National Sorry Day is a day to acknowledge the strength of Stolen Generations survivors and reflect on how we can play our part in the healing process.

Join the network from 11am

on Sorry Day for a Welcome to Country, morning tea and yarns at the Nobbies Ocean Discovery Centre.

Each year National Reconciliation Week is held between May 27 and June 3.

These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey, the successful 1967 Referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision, respectively.

The theme for this year's National Reconciliation Week is 'Be Brave. Make Change'.

which encourages people to explore how they can contribute to reconciliation by being active participants.

In a demonstration of solidarity, the community is invited to a bridge walk across the Phillip Island bridge on Tuesday, May 31.

Meet at the San Remo Foreshore at 11am for a smoking ceremony. From 11.30am, attendees will make their way from San Remo and across the bridge to Graydens Reserve, Newhaven, on Millowl (Phil-

lip Island) for a barbecue, flag raising, mural painting and yarning.

Bass Coast Reconciliation Network has members from Bass Coast Shire Council, Bass Coast Health, Westernport Water, Phillip Island Nature Parks, Bunurong Land Council, Bass Coast South Gippsland Reconciliation Group and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members.

For more information, visit basscoast.vic.gov.au/reconciliation.

Senior Citizens celebrate 55 years

MARCEAU Camille had Leongatha Senior Citizens Centre members clapping and tapping as he played his style of Spanish, Italian and Islander music on his many different instruments at the special 55th birthday of the Club.

Marceau has been providing entertainment to the Club for about 20 years and is one of the most popular entertainers.

It has been tough going for the Club to get attendances up since starting up after COVID with comeback concerts last November, but the recent attendance was one of their best since pre-COVID days.

Their luncheon day is also showing much improvement in numbers.

They will have Rodney Vincent entertaining on June 27, from 1pm.

June 3 will see Gavin Chatelier performing and June 10, Pamela

and Howard Rowe; both always a lot of fun.

The club gives its sincere thanks to their fantastic group of talented artists who have appreciated the opportunity to get back into some action after been totally closed by COVID.

Bass Coast group Kea Change, Gavin Platschinda and Rhonda and Rod Owen have also given excellent concerts in the past few weeks.

The group is pleased to have booked South Dudley Tom for a performance on Friday, June 17, all concerts are open to the public and bookings/enquiries can be made to seniorgipps@bigpond.com or phone Ian on 0400 574 923.

If you haven't been to any of their concerts before, then now is a good time to start, every Friday at the Leongatha Senior Citizens Centre, 23 Smith Street, Leongatha.



Leongatha Senior Citizens Centre members Lorraine Trease, Mary Fields and Val Pistrucci celebrated 55 years of the club recently.

Community garden's new home almost set

A COUNCIL report seeking funding to deliver Phillip Island Community Adult Learning's (PICAL) new community garden and refurbish the former CFA building at Cowes for community groups will be presented at this week's meeting.

The report seeks approval to amend the Blue Gum Reserve Master Plan to incorporate PICAL's community garden and funding of \$278,107 for construction.

PICAL will move from their current site to Warley Avenue later this year, however, the community garden could not be incorporated into the new site.

Subsequently, council engaged Andrew Donohue Design to create a concept design for the garden, which includes eight garden beds, an accessible toilet with associated pathways, garden shed for storage, perimeter fencing, service connections, accessible car park, and a larger shed that can be used for both classes and the construction of garden materials.

The project includes the relocation of Coel's Shed.

According to a shire report, PICAL are able to contribute \$38,764 towards construction of the garden.

The report also recommends allocating \$182,582.50 in the draft 2022/23 budget for refurbishment of the council owned CFA building at Cowes on Settlement Road.

This is to support the following community groups: Artists Society of Phillip Island, Phillip Island Arts and Crafts Gallery, Phillip Island Contemporary Exhibition Space and Boomerang Bags.

"The utilisation of Blue Gum Reserve and the CFA building provides an opportunity to co-locate several community groups and establish a community hub focused upon arts and gardening, providing a great opportunity for collaboration and community building," a council report stated.

The building will be vacated by CFA in August this year when they relocate to Ventnor Road.

A concept design has also been created for the refurbishment.

Chimney fires concern

THE CFA is urging residents to keep themselves safe by checking and maintaining their fireplaces, chimneys, fireboxes and flues.

Firefighters respond to numerous chimney fires every year that start from fireplaces and wood heaters.

In 2021, CFA firefighters responded to 130 chimney fires, almost half of which occurred during the winter months.

CFA Chief Officer Jason Heffernan urged Victorian households to have chimneys professionally cleaned annually to avoid the build-up of creosote – a highly flammable black tar-like residue – that could clog chimneys.

"Spending a few minutes now to check your chimney could be one of the most important fire safety actions you take this season."



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New rail trail bridge delayed

WORKS to renew the timber bridge along the Bass Coast Rail Trail near east of Mouth of Powlett Road, Kilcunda, have been delayed due to issues with concrete supply and contractor shortages.

The project was expected to be completed in early May but has been pushed back until the end of May.

Construction had begun in February this year, and the rail trail has been closed between Mouth of Powlett Road car park and Station Street in Dalyston throughout construction, with users having to take detours.

The bridge, which has been in service for many years, has encountered damaged due to age and wear and tear.

The \$640,000 project, funded by council, involves the removal and replacement of the existing timber bridge with a pre-cast concrete box culvert bridge.

"The works are still ongoing. Some delays have been incurred due to issues with concrete supply and contractor shortages due to COVID-19," a council spokesperson said.

"This project is now expected to be completed by the end of the month."

Indigenous artefacts identified

TWO significant Aboriginal artefacts which caused the Guy Road Shared Pathway project in Corinella to come to a standstill have been identified.

The artefacts found were shell middens (the remains of meals of shellfish once gathered and eaten by Aboriginal people) and two silcrete angular stone fragments, known as low-density artefact distribution.

Following the discovery, a Cultural Heritage Management Plan was undertaken with a draft plan now nearing completion.

According to Bass Coast Shire, the document will be formalised in mid-June.

"Once the cultural site induction has been completed with the contractor, works can then recommence; this is expected to occur in late June, pending favourable weather and availability of materials," the shire stated on its Engage website.

The Cultural Heritage Management Plan had significantly delayed the project, which was expected to be completed in March, but is now anticipated for between October and December this year.

The \$2.8m shared pathway will be a 6km-long, 2.5-metre-wide shared cycling and walking link between the Corinella Community Centre and Bass Valley Primary School and Children's Centre, via Tenby Point.

The pathway will run in a westerly direction from the Bass Valley Primary School along Corinella Road before turning north at Cemetery Road and following an unused road reserve to Guy Road, continuing west along an unused road reserve to Tenby Point. Once at Tenby Point, it follows the northern edge of Guy Road west, to connect to Jamieson Street.

From Jamieson Street to Balcombe Street, the path follows the south side road reserve of Smythe Street in Corinella.

The pathway will connect to central Corinella where the general store, hall, Corinella and District Community Centre, and Harold Hughes Reserve are located.



Inverloch's Kerrie Beaglehall OAM (second left) was surrounded by proud family members as they met the Governor of Victoria Linda Dessau (right of Kerrie) at Government House in late April.

Once in a lifetime experience

IT WAS a delightful day of celebration as Inverloch's Kerrie Beaglehall OAM proudly received her medals at Government House in late April.

Ms Beaglehall was joined by loving family members on the day as they met Governor of Victoria Linda Dessau, as well as other OAM recipients.

Kerrie was awarded an OAM earlier this year for her charity work which has seen almost \$1 million raised for the Royal Children's Hospital.

For the past 25 years, Kerrie has supported the hospital and formed the Inverloch Diabetic Unit Auxiliary in 2000.

Her motivation began after her

daughter Carla was suddenly diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes at the age of 11 during the late 1990s.

Almost every year, she has held her well-known fundraising balls and events, donating the money to the hospital.

Kerrie said receiving her OAM medal at Government House was

a day she would never forget.

"My daughter Carla was invited to pin the medal onto me," Kerrie said.

"The Governor was very interested to hear about my charity work with the Royal Children's Hospital. We were treated to champagne and a light lunch in the gardens, it was lovely."

Christof visits Bass Coast College students



Harry and Dylcan jump into the freeze scene as part of an impromptu performance with Christof. C100_1922

MULTI-AWARD-WINNING performer Chris Gregory (otherwise affectionately known as Christof) played artist in residence to Bass Coast College's year 8 and 9 students across three days in late March.

"It's an exciting time to come back with four decades' experience and give a little bit of joy and spark (in the classroom)," Christof explained.

"Theatre is a discipline.

"It's about the distance travelled from start to end.

"In arts, never judge what someone is doing – we appreciate where they've come from, where they are at and where they are going."

As explained by Bass Coast College's drama teacher, Emily Mitchell, a teacher's biggest fear is dousing the spark in a student.

"I want students to feel they are in a safe space – a place where good things happen – to have a voice, ideas."

By Chloe Kent

The joy of creativity and an increase in content, in particular short-form videos, means it has never been a better time for students to explore their potential.

An expert in improv, Christof explained the process of overcoming blocks could also change people's lives.

"Drama is a safe space. It's confidence-building. It's allowing individuals to come up with their own solutions – problem-solving.

"Improv is one of the drama units," Emily added.

"We knew a talented expert in the field, and with limited access to outside performances, we wanted the students to experience 'an artist in residence'."

A great professional development tool, and after many years locked down due to COVID, students are starting to feel the joy again.

"This could be a renaissance!" Christof beamed.

More reasons than ever to celebrate nurses



Registered nurse Liam Kennedy attends to patient Kevin Rosen in Acute Ward at Wonthaggi Hospital.

BASS Coast Health (BCH) was pleased to celebrate the vital role nurses play in delivering quality care on International Nurses' Day, May 12.

Nurses have been working long, hard shifts during the past two years of the pandemic and are continuing to go above and beyond every day with health services busier than ever.

Nurses serve BCH in a variety of roles: in acute and sub-acute wards, emergency department and urgent care centre, operating theatre, community nursing, midwifery, maternal and child health nurses and as clinical nurse consultants in a variety of specialities, such as cardiology and diabetes.

"Nurses have challenging yet rewarding roles, and they nurse because they genuinely want to make a difference to people's lives, in compassionate and caring ways. It is a privilege to support people when they are in crisis, or in poor health, and it is an awesome privilege to sup-

port people through momentous times of birth and death," BCH CEO Jan Child said.

Abbey Rimkevicius is a graduate nurse in the emergency department at Wonthaggi Hospital.

"I love working here at BCH as everyone is so welcoming and helpful, and being a graduate registered nurse, that has made my transition from a student to a registered nurse so much easier," she said.

"We are a team at BCH, and everyone supports each other across the multidisciplinary team."

Abbey recommended nursing as a "rewarding" career.

Nursing offers a satisfying and diverse career path with many opportunities to learn and develop.

If you would like to work as a nurse with BCH, please lodge an expression of interest via their recruitment website: basscoasthealth.mercury.com.au and go to 'Any Clinical Role'.



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Sentinel-Times

COMMENT



Kilcunda-Bass coach Leigh Rowe acknowledged the return after two seasons lost to COVID had been challenging for small sports clubs.

Back-slapping aside, where's the plan?

AUSTRALIA is ranked 95th in the world for COVID-related deaths per million, at 275/mil compared to the likes of Japan, with its cultural acceptance of masks, at 233 and a super risk-averse New Zealand at 128 deaths per million better placed.

But it's a far cry from the 2575 deaths per million in the UK, 1584 in Germany, 1241 in The Netherlands and the ladder leader, Peru, at 6453 deaths per million. And they're just the reported numbers.

At the other end of the scale, if you can believe it, is China with only 10 deaths per million.

However, as good a job as we have done keeping the COVID-19 deaths down in Australia, we're not out of the woods yet on a number of fronts.

Of the developed countries, Australia is now running at the highest number of new COVID-19 cases per million, on a rolling seven-day average of 1903 cases, compared to the likes of Germany with 739 new cases per million, UK 139 and even the USA at 248.

New Zealand is up there near us with 1498 new COVID-19 cases per million weekly, and with winter, the flu and new variants on the way, the next three to four months look challenging for both of us.

And it's not just that the pandemic itself isn't over.

There's still the massive fallout to be understood, managed and responded to; including the impact on education, supply chain problems in construction, cars and equipment, even the newspaper industry with a lack of newsprint paper. There's the demographic shift and a resulting lack of housing in sea change areas, particularly, elective surgery blowouts, ongoing problems in aged care, long COVID, and social disruption including numbers drifting away from sport, not to mention the exploding national debt.

But in all the tripe we've heard from all sides of politics in the run-up to this election, where's the plan for a systematic, comprehensive response to the economic, social, and even environmental fallout from the second-biggest worldwide crisis since World War II?

They've been too busy trying to get elected to be concerned about us.

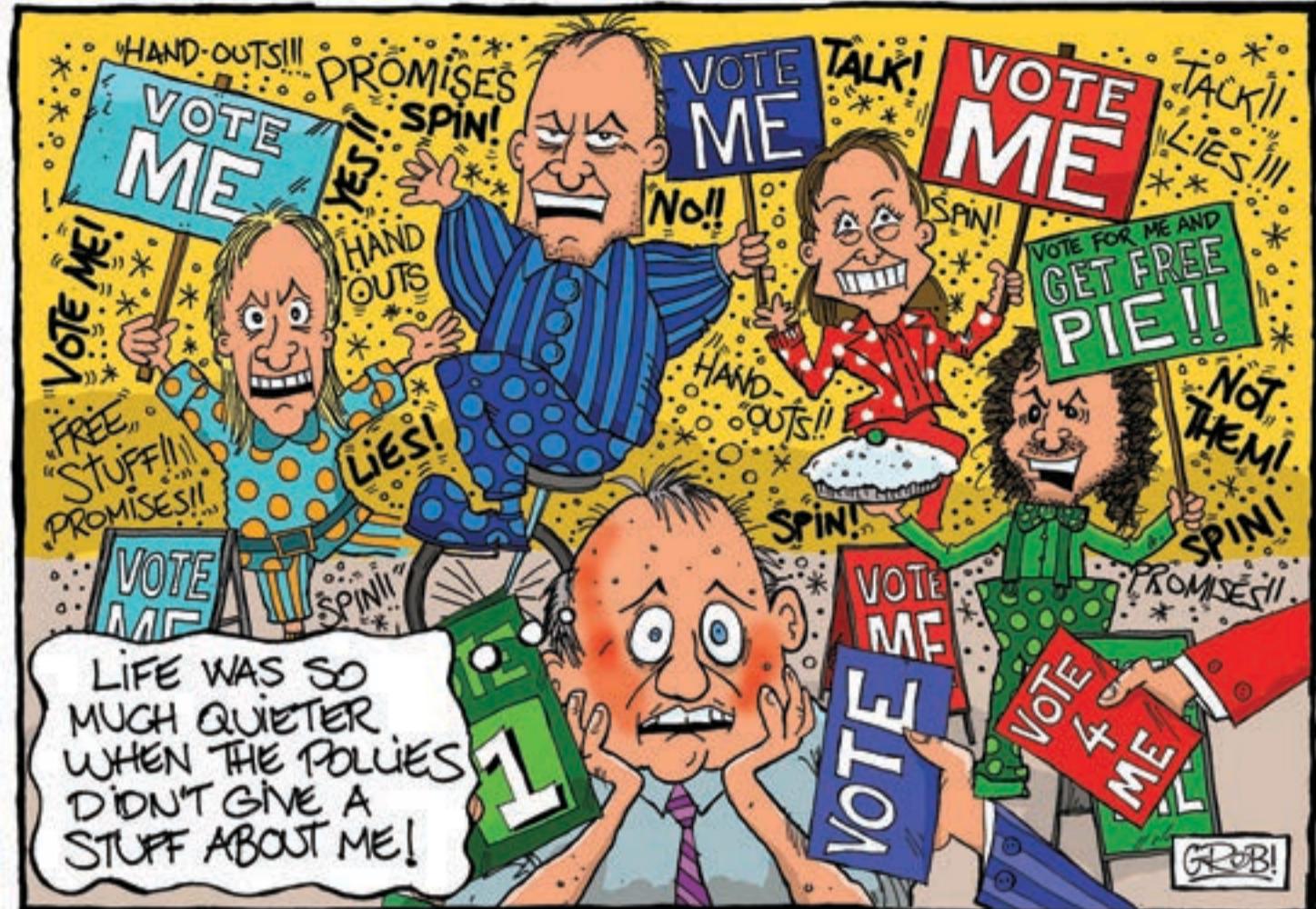
Quarry concerns

Like so many others, I was shocked and devastated by the approval reported in last week's paper.

It appears that the concerns of council, environmental groups, the Wettenhall Report on the dangers to Western Port and the community have been disregarded.

However, I was not surprised. We were up against it from the start. The applicant was preparing the application and organising expert witnesses for many months. The public had about two weeks to access complex information online and submit objections to council.

Before council had the chance to consider



Cartoon by Glenn 'GROB' Robinson.

Question over censorship

those objections, the Minister 'called in' the application, at the request of the applicant, and referred the matter to an independent planning panel.

Council then had to spend time and money preparing its position and hiring legal advice. The proponent had a barrister and a raft of 'experts' supporting its proposal. Relevant council policies were discounted on a technicality as they had not yet been incorporated into the Planning Framework so could not be considered.

Objectors were eligible to speak at the public hearings but several were openly scorned by the barrister for not having any expertise to back up our submissions! We had no 'experts' to counter those of the proponent.

The panel's report to the Minister found the natural vegetation corridor (biolink) was likely to be 'irreversibly damaged' by clearing and that 'ongoing connectivity' was 'critical'. This was our bottom line – to save that biolink. However, the Minister seems to have disregarded that too.

The panel concluded that, 'There is a direct tension particularly between policies relating to extractive industries and native vegetation'.

A government spokesperson is quoted in your article as saying: 'The final approval was shaped by community feedback, with protections in place to ensure we can maintain access to these vital resources without compromising the environment'.

Weasel words! What does 'shaped' mean? I don't see any of the changes I wanted. 'Vital resources'? Maybe, but they don't have to come from that particular place. 'Compromising the environment'? Complete and utter destruction would be more accurate, with at least 40 years before it can be 'rehabilitated'. Good luck with that!

This whole legalistic process is weighted in favour of proponents with deep pockets. Although the planning panel appears to have been sympathetic to some of our objections, it was constrained by its terms of reference and the current legislative/regulatory planning framework.

We were up against it all the way through. A friend reminded me, 'After all, it is called the 'approvals process'. The chances of protecting any remnant vegetation under the current planning regime are remote and the changes suggested via the DAL process are unlikely to help. Shame on you, Mr Wynne. What a legacy to leave as you retire.'

Anne Heath Mennell, Tenby Point.
Editor: Shortened due to space.

Anonymous government spooks intercepting and censoring private communications between citizens and elected representatives is the type of behaviour you'd expect from totalitarian governments like those in China, Russia, or North Korea.

But alarmingly, this anti-democratic and un-Australian behaviour is occurring right now and right here at Bass Coast Shire Council.

The anonymous spooks are senior officers in the CEO's administration. And they refuse to identify themselves.

Whether this behaviour is approved and condoned by the CEO... is yet to be determined.

We hope to find the answer this week by putting the following simple question to the May Council meeting: 'Refusing to identify themselves, anonymous members of the CEO's administration are now targeting BCRRA and selected community members, and are intercepting, censoring, and preventing email communications from being passed onto councillors. Does the CEO approve and condone this unacceptable behaviour?'

Only time will tell if council will provide an honest and straightforward response to this simple question.

And, in an ironic twist to Bass Coast Shire Council's ongoing efforts to restrict and silence public questioning, the May council meeting might be one of the last meetings at which public questions will be permitted to be asked. In June, councillors will vote on removing the requirement for a public question time at council meetings.

The current Mayor is certainly no fan of public question time.

In March, he took the unprecedented action of stopping public questions being presented to the council meeting.

And just last week he told ABC radio of his view that questions being put to council meetings are a fantasy.

Bass Coast community members should expect better from the supposed leaders at council. It is after all the ratepayers of Bass Coast who must stump up for the hefty salaries paid to those at the top of the elected councillors, the CEO, and the senior officers in the administration team.

Kevin Griffin, Wonthaggi.

Editor: For clarity, Mayor Cr Michael Whelan was quoted by the ABC as saying: "The notion that it [question time] has to go through a council meeting is a fantasy really."

Vox Pop

What was most important about school for you?



Justin Porthouse

Phillip Island
"Attending and not getting caught wagging!"



Scott Lynch

Wonthaggi
"The girls... and sport."



Glenda Diggerman

Dumbalk
"Getting an N/A at PE. – due to lack of participation."



Tamikah Greenland

Wonthaggi
"It helps me find myself and find my place in the world."

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.



Watch out for the koalas

FORMER South Gippsland Shire councillor and nursery owner, Dick Lester, is calling for urgent action to minimise the loss of local wildlife after discovering a recently deceased Koala by the side of Mardan Road in Koorooman.

A passionate nature lover and horticulturalist, Mr Lester wants immediate action to warn motorists to exercise caution, as well as requesting longer-term measures to increase animal habitat.

He wrote to the Sentinel-Times and South Gippsland Shire Council, saying the stretch of Mardan Road between Hulls Road and 'Watson's Park' (630 Mardan Road) has, over the last 50 years, become a precious wildlife precinct.

"I recommend that council place 'Wildlife Crossing' signs on both Mardan and Hulls Roads," Mr Lester said.

He outlined the types of trees prevalent in the area that he says act as a drawcard for koalas.

"The dominant Eucalyptus species of *Eucalyptus Strzeleckii* and *Eucalyptus Viminalis* are specialist koala habitat, but unfortunately, because these trees are largely restricted to roadsides, it is important to protect and increase the koala habitat," Mr Lester said.

The Sentinel-Times has previously reported his concerns about the intended placement of a cattle underpass at 630 Mardan Road.

Kindergarten registrations open

REGISTRATIONS for three-year-old and four-year-old kindergarten are now open.

Families can complete an online registration form and view all participating kindergartens via council's website at basscoast.vic.gov.au/kinder.

Hard copy registration forms are also available from council's Customer Service Centres, Bass Coast kindergartens, local maternal and child health services and supported playgroups.

The first round of registrations closes on Thursday, June 30 and offers will be made to families in the first week of August.

Residents can still register for kindergarten after June 30, but these registrations will be allocated after first round offers have been made.

Three-year-old children in Bass Coast Shire will have access to at least five hours a week in a part-funded kindergarten program.

Funded kindergarten refers to the government subsidy that will reduce kindergarten fees.

The five hours of kindergarten will progressively scale up to reach a 15-hour-a-week program by 2029.

For more information on kindergarten or to register your child, go to basscoast.vic.gov.au/kinder.



Meg Viney holds sheets of natural plant paper she made. A07_1622



Meg Viney's poppy sculpture 'Papaveraceae'. Photo: Trevor Foon

Environmental sculptures on display

WOOREEN artist Meg Viney demonstrates ingenuity, using an array of mediums to create her 'environmental sculptures'.

"I'm constantly gathering stuff from the environment, so I tend not to shop in art stores," Meg said.

Many of her sculptures incorporate natural plant paper she makes from scratch using locally sourced plants.

For instance, she gathers pampas grass to create beautiful pale green paper.

Meg demonstrated her paper-making technique for the Sentinel-Times, using a mould and deckle she built consisting of a wooden frame and fly wire.

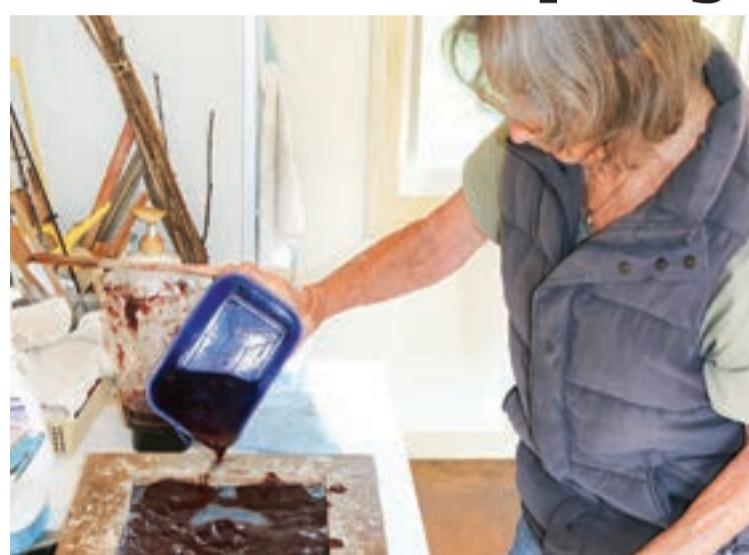
Red Hot Poker was the plant of choice, with the paper being made from the grass-like foliage rather than the dramatic flower from which the plant's name is derived.

Meg blended the already cut and cooked plant fibres, pouring the resultant dark red liquid into her mould and deckle.

She pressed out the excess liquid with a cloth, transferring the newly created wet paper sheet onto newspaper to dry.

Meg described how she developed her artwork 'papaveraceae', the latin name for the poppy family, and the materials she used.

The poppy sculpture sits on a base made from cumbungi paper



Meg Viney pours plant material into her mould and deckle to create paper. A08_1622

produced from cumbungi (river reed) she harvested from creeks.

During the papermaking process, before the newly created cumbungi sheet dried, Meg embedded tiny pieces of grass gathered on her walks with dog Wally.

That addition to the cumbungi paper added texture to the base of the poppy piece, giving it visual pop.

Air dry clay was used to create the poppy head, eradicating the need for kilning.

Lettuce paper surrounds the poppy head, simply made by sun

drying lettuce leaves.

Translucent silk dyes were used to paint the work, with the poppy stems created from wire tightly hand wrapped in thread.

The art piece took around a month to make and, like Meg's other environmental sculptures, is sealed in a clear case protecting it from damage.

Despite the painstaking nature of the creative processes involved, she happily sells her environmental sculptures, believing that encourages her to move forward and keep creating more.

Talking gardening in Poowong

THIS year, the Gippsland Region of Horticultural Societies & Garden Clubs' annual conference will be hosted by the Poowong Garden Club on May 21.

Postponed for the past two years due to the COVID pandemic and lockdowns, Poowong Garden Club members have planned an action-packed day that will be very interesting for all horticulturists and garden lovers to attend.

Gippsland Region consists of clubs from Warragul, Lang Lang, San Remo, Korumburra, Loch, Leongatha, Inverloch, Welshpool and Poowong. This conference is an annual event and each of the clubs in the region take their turn at hosting the event.

This conference is open, not only for club members to attend, but all members of the public are welcome also.

On Saturday, May 21, commencing at 9.30am, the Poowong Public Hall will open starting with morning tea on arrival, followed by guest



Poowong Garden Club committee members discussing plans for the annual conference, from left, Robyne Teare, Linda Harvey, Maree Delia and Christina Robinson.

speaker Warren Worboys.

Warren is the head curator of the Botanical Gardens and will speak and present a presentation on the evolution of the Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne.

It is bring your own lunch, followed by our afternoon guest speaker Paul Robinson, local resident, and Poowong Garden Club member. Paul, a professional photographer,

judge and educator will deliver a talk on the art of flora photography.

There will be plenty of time for social chit chat, morning and afternoon tea and a plentiful stocked plant stall. It's free admission and everyone welcome to attend.

Enquiries to Christina Robinson at secretarypoowonggardenclub@gmail.com or call 0438 041 012.

Call to reconnect with community

WONTHAGGI Ladies Evening VIEW Club is calling on members of the community to consider volunteering for children's education charity, The Smith Family, as part of National Volunteer Week (May 16-22).

VIEW (Voice, Interests and Education of Women) is a leading women's organisation with close to 300 clubs across Australia, all dedicated to supporting children in need with their education through The Smith Family. Members do this through community fundraising, spreading awareness, and volunteering.

One of the key themes for National Volunteer Week this year is about bringing people together through volunteering, which Wonthaggi Club President Bronwyn said is more important than ever before.

"Last year, COVID meant we couldn't have that hands-on connection with the community, which was really hard for a lot of people."

"Volunteering is a great way to get back out there, make friends, and feel like you're really making a difference to the lives of young people and their families," she said.

Members of Wonthaggi VIEW Club volunteer for The Smith Family by volunteering at the annual Wonthaggi Agricultural Show and a Bunnings Barbecue.

"There are many opportunities for people to help out," Bronwyn said.

"We are always looking for women to join us in supporting The Smith Family and we'd encourage anyone interested to get in touch and come along to our next meeting to learn more about VIEW."

Anyone interested in finding out more about Wonthaggi Ladies Evening VIEW Club can contact Bronwyn on 0419 585 909 or visit view.org.au.

Safety reminder as regional construction booms

WORKSAFE is reminding employers and tradies across regional Victoria to put safety first as construction activity continues to ramp up across the state.

From 2019-2021, WorkSafe accepted 85 injury claims from the construction industry in the South Gippsland area (South Gippsland and Bass Coast Shires).

While WorkSafe also accepted 772 claims from construction workers in the regions in 2021, an increase on the 715 claims in 2020 and 654 in 2019.

Tragically, three construction workers lost their lives due to workplace incidents in regional Victoria last year.

Australian Bureau of Statistics data showed a 52 per cent rise in building approvals in rural and regional Victoria last financial year to 18,072 in 2020/2021.

Demand has continued into this financial year, with 9882 building approvals in regional Victoria from July 1, 2021, to February 28, 2022.

Kids 'running wild', says parent

By Lynn Skillern

THE first official school building in Leongatha was located on the corner of Jeffrey and Hassett streets, where the Hassett Street Kindergarten is now situated.

Leongatha State School started as a result of lobbying by the early settlers, but one heartfelt letter from a Mrs Shanahan was successful it seems. Below is a part of this letter:

"August 13, 1889 - I am induced to write to you asking for a teacher to be sent to this district as soon as possible, as there are 40 or more children within school distance of this township.

"When the inspector visited this place last April, he promised us a school within a small space of time and since then we have not heard anything about it.

"Now my husband has a building erected in our township itself, 28' by 14' which he is willing to lease to the Education Department for a term of six months or more at a nominal rent provided a teacher is sent here.

"It is really a pity to see so many children going actually wild here, and no school within several miles of them.

"Will you consider this proposition and let me know as soon as convenient, if I may expect a teacher to be sent here? The population is increasing here weekly and there is urgent need for education for the many children."

The school started in September 1889 with Mr Denholm as temporary teacher. He came to Mirboo North by train and was met and taken to Leongatha by horse.

Mr Denholm was replaced in November by John Jeffrey who was the head teacher at Leongatha State School from late 1889 until 1905.

No toilet, 53 kids, and one teacher!

By Lynn Skillern

THE first Leongatha school building was a shed located near the railway crossing. It was rented from a Mr Shanahan and was very basic indeed.

It was 28 feet by 14 feet, had no windows, lining, fireplace, tank or toilet.

The furniture was inadequate, with nine children having to fit into a six-seater desk. Mr Bothroyd, the district inspector, was critical of first principal John Jeffrey's teaching despite his lack of facilities and it took three years to provide a proper school building.

When Mr Shanahan wanted his shed back in 1890, Mr Jeffrey had to hold school in his home. He used two rooms and the veranda.

By June 1890, there were 53 students and only one teacher. The children were still taught in Mr Jeffrey's home. He was permitted to apply for a pupil teacher. Tom Devling applied for this position.

His letter was written in August 1891: "I beg to offer myself to you for examination for the position of pupil teacher. I was born on the 8th of February 1878. I got my certificate while in the 6th class at Kilmore State School. I may also state that at the same school, passed the first-year scholarship examination and went to the Geelong Scotch College for 12 months but in the second-year scholarship exam I was unsuccessful."

Student numbers increased but a pupil teacher was still not appointed. Tom Devling eventually obtained the position as pupil teacher and started in March 1892. He and the other applicants had to sit a competitive exam to select the person most capable.

Combining technology, art and science



Molly's 'tree' was looking great.

THE jobs of the 21st century are yet to be determined, but there is an increasing demand for students to be creative and critical thinkers, to be aiming to reduce our overuse of earth's resources and to up and recycle.

Students are being challenged to ask the right questions to generate novel ideas and demonstrate leadership.

What a wonderful opportunity for our students to be able to demonstrate these key skills when they visited the Gippsland Technical School for a day program combining technology, art and science.

It was an amazing day with the use of fantastic resources for the students to explore the theme of: 'Is creativity learned or are you born with it?'

By Mirboo North Secondary College

Everyone applied their own creative responses to the tasks set for them to do, demonstrating that everyone can be creative!

The three rotational activities were:

- The use of Adobe Photoshop and a microscopic camera to capture photos of textures;
- The use of technology waste materials to recreate an upcycled 'Technology tree'; and
- Using a virtual reality headset to create a character in three dimensions.

The creativity was alive and kicking, and the responses were impressive. Their feedback was a pleasure to receive:

- "Yesterday was a lot of fun from start to finish. I started with the artwork made from old bits of computers which were quite hard, as it turns out, then the microscope artwork, which was quite fun. My favourite was the VR."
- "It was good. It was fun. We went on a bus. We made a tree. I did VR. We did microscopic pictures."
- "I really enjoyed the tech school yesterday; I learned a lot about modern tech. My favourite thing was the VR headsets."
- "I had a wonderful time doing the VR yesterday."
- "Yesterday I made a person in virtual reality, a tree out of old computer parts and an image in Adobe Photoshop out of images that I took from a microscope."

Education was very different 150 years ago

By Lyn Skillern

ONE hundred and fifty years ago, the Victorian government passed the 1872 Education Act and established the Victorian Education Department.

This made school compulsory for children up to 12 years of age. School was free, secular and compulsory.

The new education department had schools built throughout the colony. In rural areas it took much lobbying to obtain a school and often a building such as a hall had to be available to rent.

In some cases, land had to be provided by the community to enable a school to be established. Farmers donated small areas of land for a school.

Education as we know it did not exist; it was very different. The great majority of the population could best hope to go to a State School to the age of 14. There were very few secondary



The 'good old days' at early rural schools weren't really all that good.

schools, and these were private and expensive. These were schools like Scotch College, Wesley Grammar and Methodist Ladies' College.

The age of starting school seemed to vary but most children started at six or seven. Some children were unable to attend school until they were

eight or nine due to a lack of schools and teachers. Some schools shared a teacher and only opened for half a week.

The Merit Certificate, obtained in year 8, was enough to get you a position as a pupil teacher. A pupil teacher taught classes and was a type of apprentice teacher. They had to study and sit for ex-

ams to gain their qualifications called 'A Licence to Teach' and 'The Art of Teaching'.

It is interesting to go back and look at the type of education system that existed in the 1880s and 1890s.

Those teachers who came to educate the children of South Gippsland nearly 100 years ago, endured an education system that was rigid and often uncaring. Although they battled bureaucracy, difficult inspectors, appalling conditions, diseases, bush fires and floods, they established a system that was valued. One of these special teachers was John Jeffrey who was the head teacher at Leongatha State School from late 1889 until 1905.

Jeffrey Street Leongatha was named in honour of John Jeffrey, the first permanent head teacher of Leongatha State School.

Lyn Skillern is a Leongatha historian.

History of our schools featured in Education Week



One of South Gippsland's oldest schools, Leongatha State School, opened in 1890 and celebrated its 125th birthday in 2015.

of Queen Victoria. Initially, the township consisted of two settlements, one named Alberton and the other named Victoria, which were separated by Victoria Street (renamed Brewery Road in 1847).

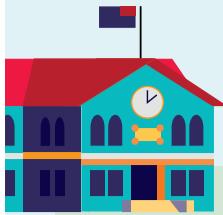
The Alberton township was surveyed in 1842 and named after Prince Albert, the husband

which opened in 1858, carries the honour of holding the number one on the register of state schools in Victoria.

Locally, Toora State School opened in 1888, Leongatha 1890, Wonthaggi in 1911, Wonthaggi North in 1912, Mirboo

North in 1914 and Korumburra in 1920.

Victoria's oldest school - which is still in operation today - is Bacchus Marsh Primary School. It was built on the traditional Country of the Wada Wurrung people and opened in 1850.



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St Paul's year 7 students were supported by Peer Support Leaders during their Peer Support Camp.

Easy transition to St Paul's

AT ST PAUL'S Anglican Grammar School, student happiness and wellbeing are of paramount importance.

For new students, it all begins with the school's extensive transition programs into primary and secondary school, which establish connections amongst their cohort and their peers and allow them to build confidence and readiness for making the most of their schooling.

In primary school, transition involves several steps, including attending play afternoons and transition days before commencement.

The preps are paired with a 'Buddy' during transition and their relationships continue into term one, forming friendships, connections and memories that will last a lifetime.

As they proceed through to secondary school, St Paul's students participate in the year 7 Connection and Belonging Transition Program.

After attending a welcome interview with their families and the Head of School, teachers get to know families and uncover their child's particular interests, aptitudes, and abilities.

They then attend a Friendship Morning, which marks the start of the Peer Support Program as children begin to navigate the campus and meet their new friends and student leaders.

In an extended three-day orientation, students begin to understand the expectations of secondary school, learn how to follow a timetable, have sessions with many of



St Paul's Buddy program is about connecting and forging friendships, such as that between year 4 'Buddy' Lani and prep student Elena.

their teachers, learn about the laptop program and participate in a music session.

All year 7 students attend a Peer Support Camp early in term one, which is often one of the most unforgettable events of secondary school.

Experiencing a variety of adventure and problem-solving activities, while learning about Indigenous culture and sustainability, is a perfect opportunity to meet others within their year level and form lifelong connections.

Many students love this camp so much that they can't wait to be Peer Support Leaders themselves in the future.

Students entering St Paul's at other year levels also benefit from

the school's welcoming and caring pastoral care program.

Paired with several students in their year level, they are accompanied in early classes as they learn to navigate the school and get to know other students and their teachers.

At years 10 and 11, students also meet with their Head of School to consider subject selection, and the Careers Counsellor to discuss their aims for their future.

St Paul's is now taking enrolments for 2024 and beyond.

To learn more about the school and to arrange a personalised tour, please contact the school's Enrolments Office via enrolments@stpaulsags.vic.edu.au or visit their website stpaulsags.vic.edu.au.



Acting assistant principal Rebecca Anthony says works are progressing well in Korumburra Secondary College's new buildings. A02_2022

New-look Korumburra Secondary College

KORUMBURRA Secondary College (KSC) provides its students with a broad support network, combined with a flexible approach to learning tailored to their needs.

It will soon do so in brand-new buildings, the first of which will house modern classrooms and staff offices and is already well advanced.

It is expected to be ready by term four this year and will later be complemented by a facility serving as a gymnasium, basketball court and performing arts centre, scheduled to be ready in time for the 2023 school year.

KSC's established support network includes a school psychologist and wellbeing coordinator, along with twice weekly visits from a headspace representative.

Acting assistant principal Rebecca Anthony said support is available when required, with the range of options ensuring it meets the needs of individual students.

Academically, streamed services are offered in English and Maths throughout years 7-10.

"That means students are able to learn at their ability," Rebecca said, adding that the program's success is demonstrated through NAPLAN results.

The Like Minds program provides an alternative way of learning for pupils in years 7 and 8.

"They do a lot of enquiry-based projects and group work, and students going through that program have shown in-depth academic reflection," Rebecca said.

There is also a new hands-on alternative program available to year 9 pupils, which is project-based.

"They still have to meet curriculum goals but they set their own learning plans and how and when they would like to learn specific items within the curriculum," Rebecca said.

Starting in 2023, a new mode of applied learning will be adopted across years 11 and 12, offering the students flexibility to combine academic subjects with practical skills acquisition as part of VCE, studying both at KSC and TAFE.



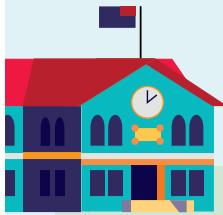
Pursuing Potential

Discover a place of learning that is committed to the growth, development and potential of all students, whatever their academic level and wherever their futures may take them.

We are dedicated to ensuring that all students are nurtured, feel a strong sense of belonging and are able to actively prepare themselves for the future. From the arts to science, sport and beyond, the potential in your child is limitless. We recognise that every student has an individual education journey, and we work to personalise learning to encourage and support each and every child.

Enrol now for 2024 and beyond
Limited places available for 2023

Kindergarten to Year 12 across campuses in Warragul and Traralgon stpaulsags.vic.edu.au



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Year 6 buddy Maya (middle) with Amelia and Nate.

Excellent education for students

By San Remo
Primary School

SAN Remo Primary School offers exceptional educational programs that engage students in a variety of learning opportunities from prep to grade 6.

Teachers deliver classes that stimulate learning for all students and have them excited about it.

We have a strong phonics-based curriculum that immerses students in letters, sounds, blends and words.

This gives them a strong beginning for their reading, writing and language journey.

In maths, they are challenged and encouraged using rich, open-ended tasks to investigate how to solve a problem, which encourages them to use higher order thinking skills to solve it.

Across the school, students are building their confidence in solving problems, working successfully in a team, engaged in their work and being creative, while having a deeper understanding of the how and why of numbers and equations.

We have specialist subjects, including Japanese, art, music and physical education.

There are also many extra-curricula activities that our students are



San Remo Primary grade 3/4 students Tom, Lucille, Harvey and Caden.

involved in.

Next week the whole school at San Remo will be doing a cross country run around the streets of the town, with parent helpers supporting all of our students.

The grade 3 to 6 students are involved in virtual dance classes at the moment and are having a ball expressing themselves through dance.

This will culminate in the

dance company visiting our school and working with the students on what they have learnt during the sessions.

San Remo Primary is a school community that looks after all of our students, regardless of their age, ability and learning.

We encourage and teach them to be the best that they can be and celebrate who they are.



Skyla and Shyla interact with the robotics and electronics on-hand in the recent STEM incursion by Bendigo Discover Centre.

Small community with a big heart

POWLETT River Primary School isn't your average school.

There is no boundary fence where on one side students are accepted and the other they miss out; instead, Powlett River fills the void with students from across the district – from farms to neighbouring Dalyston homes.

And although they may be small, their curriculum is anything but.

Teaching and learning is structured to support the development of literacy and numeracy skills and provide opportunities for participation in the arts and science.

Additionally, the school is working with maths coaches from Leongatha Primary School to improve outcomes for students in mathematics.

This year, grade 5 and 6 students will also participate in Kids as Catalysts. It's an opportunity that has been made possible through the insight and generosity of the Bass Coast Community Foundation.

Last term, Bendigo Discovery Centre ran robotics workshops, whilst the team at Bunnings pop in each year with Prep Starter Packs and help teachers and parents with the vegetable gardens.

More recently, students were treated to their school athletics day.

"The kids had a great day," principal Wendy Nicol explained.

"They keep asking when we can do it again; they love getting together as a whole school."

Athletics Day also provided parents the opportunity to jump back in after two years of the pandemic.

"It was great to have parent helpers back – it is something we have really missed."



Vael and Riley participate in the Bendigo Discovery Centre STEM incursion at Powlett River PS.

"Hearing the way they took time to explain and encourage all of the kids reminded me how lucky we are here."

"Everyone cares about all of our students."

"The district sports coordinator Jess Moed – whose passion for young people is inspiring – helped us run the day."

"Bill and Vera also represented our school at the District Athletics, which was held at the Dudley Campus."

"I loved it. The 100m championship race was the best," Bill explained.

Parents are encouraged and welcome to Powlett River's 2023 Enrolment Information Session on Tuesday, May 17, from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

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San Remo Primary offers quality educational programs that engage and support our children to achieve their best. Students learn and grow academically and socially in a safe and caring environment.

San Remo Primary offers:

- Experienced teachers who deliver a comprehensive and engaging curriculum prep to year 6
- A stimulating and supportive learning environment for all students
- Specialist subjects of Art, Japanese, Music, Physical Education and Library
- Nurturing OSHC, Before School and After School program

JOIN US FOR OUR SCHOOL OPEN DAY ON FRIDAY, MAY 27 • 12.30-1.30PM

RSVP by Phone 5678 5354 or Email san.remo.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Visit our website www.san-remo-ps.vic.gov.au

Powlett River Primary School

**PREP 2023
INFORMATION SESSION
Tuesday, May 17 at 5.30pm**

School Tours

- Friday, May 20 at 9am
- Tuesday, June 7 at 9am

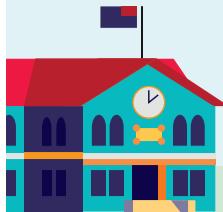
Playgroup

Every Thursday from 9.30am in the West Creek Room

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO ARRANGE A TOUR

phone: 5678 7240 email: powlett.river.ps@education.vic.gov.au

9-21 Bent Street, Dalyston www.powlett.vic.edu.au



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General Excellence Scholarship applications invited

AT NEWHAVEN College, we believe every young person is unique and can become the best version of themselves in a happy, challenging and safe environment.

Our college provides so much more than an academic program but a vibrant and nurturing learning community where each student's gifts and talents can flourish. We have state of the art facilities which enables personalised learning experiences both in and out of the classroom.

Our school is located on 82 acres of pristine coastal environment where our young people have the space and opportunity to grow.

We offer a range of outdoor activities, including our extensive camps and outdoor education programmes, our own surf academy and equestrian team, our Year 9 Environmental Centre and sustainability initiatives.

In addition, students have the opportunity to participate in music, theatre, sports, including our own tennis academy, leadership programs, as well as creative and cultural pursuits.

Principal, Mr Tony Corr says: "In my experience, what truly sets our Newhaven community apart are our students. From Prep to Year 12, they bring an energy, positivity and vitality to

all they do.

"At Newhaven, we are in an enviable position of being able to create an intimate environment where every student is known, seen and heard so that a strong sense of belonging and care is a feature of their time with us.

"Ultimately, we aim to provide a learning environment where every student is inspired to make a positive difference in the world in which they live."

Newhaven College is calling for applications for their General Excellence Scholarship for entry into the college in 2023 and are awarded to applicants in Secondary School at any level who are able to demonstrate outstanding abilities in one or more of the following fields:

- Academic.
- Sport.
- Performing Arts (Dance, Drama, Music).
- Leadership.
- Community Involvement.

General Excellence Scholarships are awarded on the basis of application and interview.

Applications close Friday, June 17, 2022.

For more information and to apply for either scholarship, please visit newhavencol.vic.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships or contact Belinda Manning on 5956 7505.



Principal Tony Corr with Year 12 captains Jack Papas, Orlando Kane-Gillard, Coco Hosken and Laura Vivian.



Angeline Anthony at work in the science lab.



Gabriel Smith is part of the Newhaven College Equestrian team.



Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale with Cowes Primary School principal Rodney McKenzie, outgoing School Council president Brendan Cashman, current School Council president Carly O'Brien and the very excited students, teachers and families of the school.

Cowes PS proud to mark \$5.5m overhaul

COWES Primary School students and staff were celebrating last week following the completion of a massive \$5.5m upgrade to the school's facilities.

Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale officially opened the school's upgrade, which includes a magnificent competition-grade gymnasium, giving students a multi-purpose playspace, assembly space, music room and the local community a state-of-the-art facility outside school hours.

Architectural firm Project 12 were appointed in August 2019, with Becon Constructions beginning works in December 2020.

"This beautiful new stadium, that has been carefully designed to connect with surrounding spaces like the pool and sanctuary, will be an asset not only for our students but also the broader community who have long been seeking access to a space like this one," Cowes Primary School principal Rodney McKenzie said.

"As principal, I am thrilled that those who attend Cowes Primary School will

not only get access to great teachers but also fantastic new learning spaces that have been created as part of this project."

School captains Lily Carville and Braydon Marshall gave Ms Jordan Crugnale a guided tour of the former gym, which has been transformed into an art and STEM room, as well as the dedicated library space and upgraded bathrooms.

The official celebrations also saw the school choir sing the National Anthem, and in attendance were representatives from VSBA, Project 12 Architecture, School Council, former principal Sue Becker, Karen Treppo from Phillip Island Early Learning Centre, teaching and support staff as well as parents and guardians.

The shared gymnasium will also be used by the wider community for sports, social occasions, meetings, cultural and arts events and much more.

Cowes Primary School will also be a polling centre on May 21, providing an opportunity for the community to see the new facility.



NEWHAVEN COLLEGE 2023 GENERAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Newhaven College offers Scholarships for applicants in Secondary School at any level in 2023 who are able to demonstrate outstanding abilities across a broad range of areas including academic, sporting, performing arts, leadership and community involvement.

Applications are open now and close Friday, 17 June 2022

For information and to apply, visit newhavencol.vic.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships. All enquiries regarding scholarships should be directed to our registrar Belinda Manning. 03 5956 7505 belinda.manning@newhavencol.vic.edu.au 1770 Phillip Island Road, Phillip Island

It's never too late to become a teacher



Patrisha Tayler is inspiring women, young and mature age, to return to the classroom.

"I HAD every intention of being a teacher when I left high school," Patrisha Tayler explained.

"But I was told that I should think about doing something else, so I went and became a chef."

Patrisha settled down and had her own family, welcoming three girls – Hannah, Olivia and Porscha.

"I decided that that life's probably not so great when you are getting older and have a family and that I would return to what I was passionate about and follow my dreams to become a teacher."

"I started my education studies in 2019 at Victoria University. I graduated from my first course and now I'm doing a Master of Teaching in secondary, at Victoria as well."

"Maybe it's better [I didn't go straight into teaching]; I

wouldn't have the life skills to pass on to the students otherwise."

Country Universities Centre Bass Coast provided Patrisha with a quiet place to study when her life took an unexpected turn.

"I'd just started university, moved to a new house for my husband's job, and he was made redundant. We pretty much became homeless."

"The rental market wasn't very good back then either and finding somewhere to rent at short notice wasn't easy, so we had to move in with my parents."

Patrisha's husband, four girls, elderly parents and herself meant there was little quiet, uninterrupted study.

"I found it hard even when it was quiet – you feel like people are watching you, but if you come here, everyone's doing the same kind of thing."

"It meant during COVID I didn't have to travel into the city – it's a two-and-a-half-hour drive to university."

"Without (CUC), I don't think I would have made it."

"It's made it possible for me to finish my studies. It's been a lifesaver."

Looking to work in local rural schools teaching food technology and science when she graduates, Patrisha embodies the soul of Country Universities Centre Bass Coast.

"Andrea, Aidan and Sibby (of Country Universities Centre) have been an amazing support."

"My sister has two degrees – she's a little greedy!"

"(Getting my degree) will allow me to change our position."

"It will allow me to change our social standing and it will allow us to have our own home."

"But, most importantly, it will also hopefully show my girls not

to give up and to keep following their dreams."

"Olivia, my middle child, has become very passionate about wanting to learn new things."

"I think, before this, she thought that she was just going to go through school and then maybe get a job, but not now; now she's starting to think about maybe I could do this, or I could be this or that."

"Yesterday she actually said to me: 'It's tough mum'. I asked why and she said, 'I can't choose which one I want to do'."

"I said: 'Well, how about you do one and then you can do the other one?'

"And my oldest daughter's at TAFE doing VCAL, and she's looking at a multitude of opportunities for the rest of her learning, too."

"It's good that she's thinking about maybe more than one thing."



The Inverloch Primary School Student Action Team has commemorated the late Judy Hughes with a friendship bench in the all-new Rainbow Garden.

Students take the lead at Inverloch PS

THE Student Action Team at Inverloch Primary School represents students to improve the grounds and the culture of the school by swinging into action with great ideas and commitment.

The Student Action Team requested to partner and work with the Inverloch Men's Shed to install a friendship bench in the new Rainbow Garden where students could connect, seek companionship and appreciate a place dedicated to caring.

The bench honours and reflects the care

and compassion of the late Judy Hughes, the school's crossing supervisor.

The students designed the bench to have a hugging feel, and the Inverloch Men's Shed constructed the bench according to their plans.

The students are now ready to paint it with rainbow colours.

The garden and the rainbow seat were the result of student voice and advocacy, and the school now has a memorial that honours and reflects all Judy did for the school community.



Bass Valley's Amber Liddell and Matilda Wallace love being back in the classroom.

Bass Valley students flourishing

STUDENTS are settling in remarkably well and are back into the swing of classroom learning while connecting with their peers at Bass Valley Primary School.

Students have enjoyed the range of school activities they can once again engage in, such as athletics, interschool sports and onsite swimming programs.

Children have loved the opportunity to order from the school canteen and participate in parent association-led activities such as Easter raffles, the Mother's Day stall and a special hot cross bun lunch.

Students have finally had the opportunity to attend camps. For some, it has been their first experience away from

home with the school.

The DET tutoring initiative continues with students thriving with this additional resource.

The school has been thrilled to offer AUSLAN

as a specialist subject in 2022, and children are already developing the knowledge and skills needed to communicate using this as a language.

The junior school students have taken the initiative to organise their own dance club and be inclusive of year levels.

The school has also refurbished the courtyard area into a beautiful, architecturally-designed calm space for children and adults to commune,

and added SunSmart initiatives with synthetic turf and shade sails areas for the children to play.

A first for the school will be the introduction of the fun-based 'Colour Run', which brings together families, the arts and sport in an interactive, community way.

"We believe that we offer strong, educationally-sound literacy and numeracy programs for all students in prep to grade 6," a school spokesperson said.

"We provide an excellent variety of indoor and outdoor school facilities including swimming pool, library, wetlands and gymnasium."

"Our programs cater for all learning needs and we strive for inclusivity and high achievement."

"At Bass Valley, we link the districts and flourish together."

INVERLOCH | KONGWAK PRIMARY SCHOOLS

We Give Our Best To Be Our Best

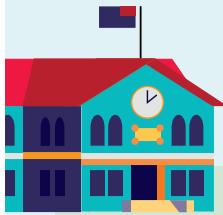
Enabling all students to achieve their full potential and to develop into confident, well-rounded citizens

PARENTS/CARERS OF NEW OR POTENTIAL 2023 STUDENTS FOR INVERLOCH PRIMARY SCHOOL AND KONGWAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

For information contact Inverloch Primary School phone 5674 1253 or visit our website www.inverlochps.vic.edu.au

Bayview Avenue INVERLOCH | Wonthaggi Korumburra Rd, KONGWAK | Principal: Brett Smith

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Distinctly Christian education at Chairo

CHAIRO Christian School in Leongatha provides a distinctly Christian education and is constantly developing and expanding in terms of enrolments and opportunities. The Australian Curriculum is delivered but from a Christian worldview perspective.

Boys and girls are able to start in kindergarten as three-year-olds and progress right through to year 10, with the option of then undertaking years 11 and 12 at Chairo in Drouin.

The teachers at Chairo recognise that all students are individuals, with unique gifts and talents, and may have diverse learning needs. Principal Christine Hibma explained: "Differentiated learning activities, learning support programs and extension opportunities are all built into our regular programs."

Chairo Kinder is an integral part of the campus, with up two years of funded kindergarten available. In addition to enjoying excellent kindergarten facilities, the kinder children also have opportunities to use some of the specialist facilities within the school.

The play-based learning program in the kindergarten is engaging and fun, with activities targeting individual social and emotional development, as well as fine and gross motor skills. The educators seek to prepare young children for a smooth progression into school and equip them to apply themselves responsibly and capably throughout life.

Establishing positive and productive partnerships with each family is a high priority at Chairo. Mrs Hibma commented: "We want to work closely with parents in the education and care of their children. Our staff members work tirelessly for the academic, social, emotional and spiritual development of all students."

Families interested in finding out more about what Chairo at Leongatha offers are invited to contact the campus, visit the school website and follow the campus Facebook page. It is also possible to book a family tour via the website, whether on a school day or the next Discover Chairo Day on Saturday, June 4.



Students at Chairo Leongatha are able to start in kindergarten and progress through into secondary school.



BASS VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

We offer strong educationally sound literacy and numeracy programs for all students P-6.

We provide an excellent variety of indoor and outdoor school facilities including a swimming pool, library, wetlands and gymnasium.

Our programs cater for all learning needs and we strive for inclusivity and high achievement.

At Bass Valley we link the districts and flourish together!

**OPEN DAY TOUR AND TALK WITH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP:
Wednesday, June 1, 2022, 10am & 5pm sessions**

To book phone: 5678 0208

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Discover Chairo Leongatha

Individual family tours by appointment

Saturday 4 June from 10.00 am

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- Vacancies currently exist at various year levels
- Accepting applications for 2022 and beyond
- Visit chairo.vic.edu.au/enrolments to book a tour today



Chairo Christian School

101 HORN STREET, LEONGATHA

www.chairo.vic.edu.au



Rural college exceeding expectations

FOSTER Secondary College is a small rural college of 260 students which consistently exceeds expectations.

We have an extensive year 7 transition program run by Mr Kyle Materia that aims to support all students in settling into our school community and quickly adopt our culture of inclusion and high expectations.

Close community ties are very important to our school, with year 8 programs such as Broadening Horizons and the award-winning year 9 Community Program offering all students the chance to succeed. Our senior school program offers a breadth of options in both the VET/VCAL programs and VCE.

And our 2021 VCE results speak for themselves:

- 15 x 40+ study scores (More than any

By Foster Secondary College

previous year).

- 22 x 36+ study scores (Outstanding effort).
- All studies average: 31.14 (Our highest yet).
- Average ATAR of 71.28 (Another record).
- Four ATAR scores in the 90s.
- Eight ATAR scores in the 80s.

Foster Secondary College in 2021 had the equal highest VCE results in all of Gippsland (including private schools).

With a caring and supportive wellbeing team and school community, Foster Secondary College offers all of our students success. Please contact our office staff on 5682 2066 if you would like more information or a school tour.



Enjoying freshly cooked broccoli soup is one of the many perks at Kongwak, with students learning the process from growing to harvesting and cooking.

Sustainability practices in action

KONGWAK Primary School may be a small school but it is big on sustainability - so much so, it is part of the school motto of 'Care, Lead, Achieve'.

Not only do the students care for the school grounds, but they also care about sustainable growing, harvesting and enjoying food in a way that respects the environment.

Through their weekly sustainability sessions, students learn and action sustainability practices such as compost, seedling raising, worm juice and castings, water-saving, purposeful planting and using only what they need.

Last week, while some students worked in the vegetable gardens, others cooked broccoli soup for the whole school to enjoy.

The size and nature of the small school allow students to develop deep understandings through hands-on experiences whilst remaining contemporary and having access to a broad range of opportunities through their connection to the hub school of Inverloch Primary.



Students maintain the vegetable gardens as part of their education, using the vegetables harvested to make mouth-watering meals.



Care, Lead, Achieve

- Small class sizes • Sustainability • Visual Arts • Cooking • Specialist PE
 - Family Feel • Annex to Inverloch Primary School
 - Music • Student Leadership • Library Van • School Pride
- Kitchen Garden • New Grounds Developments • Chook Shed
- Hands On Learning • Digital Learning • Caring Community

Parent/carers of new, interested or 2023 students contact
Inverloch Primary School (5674 1253)



Dream, achieve, succeed at Loch

LOCH Primary School has a successful and consistent history of providing high-quality education and developing empathetic, happy and resilient children.

Students enjoy the benefits of highly trained and passionate educators who implement high impact, evidence-based teaching and learning approaches.

Students are taught English in a structured and sequenced way and previously taught materials is reviewed daily.

Similarly, mathematics concepts are taught explicitly and then applied to problem-solving.

Students participate in STEM, performing arts, LOTE (French), digital technologies, science, health and physical education, visual art and electives.

Students are encouraged to take on roles of responsibility including captain roles, the student Environment Team and the student Wellbeing Team.

They live by the motto 'Dream, Achieve, Succeed' by promoting



Students were visited by members of the local police station as part of the incursion curriculum.

respect, resilience and inclusion.

Mixed age, cooperative learning groups help to foster caring and community-minded students.

Wellbeing is a vital part of student learning and a focus for staff.

Students have access to wellbeing supports as well as taking part in Respectful Relationships lessons each week.

School therapy dogs Kodak and Koa can be found assisting students both in the classroom and in the

school yard.

Loch Primary School believes in strong partnerships between students, staff and families.

Regular learning tasks and work samples are uploaded for families to see.

All students, Prep to grade Six are invited to attend camps and school sleepovers, a highlight for many students.

School tours are available by appointment. Please contact the school office on 5659 4254 to book a time.



Hands-on learning at Wonthaggi North Primary School

GONE are the days of heads in textbooks.

Instead, learning is fun.

Across the junior, middle and senior school at Wonthaggi North Primary, students are engaged in an exciting, friendly manner, learning with their hands.

Preps learn with their Counting Machines - an interactive dice game that evolves as students become more confident with numbers and reading.

From six-sided numeral and pip dice to dodecahedron and icosahedron dice, students roll and add the corresponding number of coins to their Counting Machine.

"My favourite thing about maths is numbers and adding," Prep Franklin explained.

Across the corridor, in grade 1/2, students are playing 'Bird on a Wire' with pegs clipped to a coat hanger. Students break down the different ways numbers can equal the sum of pegs on their hanger.

Engaging and interactive, learning takes on a whole new meaning at Wonthaggi North Primary School.

"My favourite number is 18 because you can get your

driver's licence," Lincoln explained.

"Mine is nine because I get to have lots of shots," Logan added.

Unanimous across classrooms, learning at Wonthaggi North is exciting, with teachers continuously learning and updating their skills in line with the latest research.

"The teachers are good at teaching and nice to us," grade 6 student Emma-Jade stated.

"They know how to teach and how you learn."

The phonics programme engages students across all ages, teaching them to read and write, while reading and writing workshops allow students to pick what they read and what they write.

"The teachers - they include you," grade 6 student Tafara explained.

"They give you an option for your learning - making it fun."

"I love the environmental studies - helping save it and raise awareness," school captain and 'Eco Warrior' Matilda exclaimed.

"I like the school's friendly environment for new students and pre-prep programme," school captain Andy said.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday, May 18 - Prep Information Night (5.30pm): Meet staff, students and parents and learn everything you need to know. **Education week - 150 years of public education** (May 22 to May 28).

Wednesday, May 25: Prep to grade 2 walk to Wonthaggi Library for National Simultaneous Library Time.

Friday, May 27 - Grandparent and Carer Day: Students are invited to bring their grandparents and carers to school, followed by good old-fashioned games.



Lincoln, Annabelle and George hold up their worksheets during 'Birds on a Wire'. C17_2022



Grade 6 students Tafara, Andy and Matilda are proud of what they have learnt at Wonthaggi North Primary School. C18_2022

Activities for preschool-aged children

WONTHAGGI North Primary School offers two fantastic programmes for preschool-aged children.

Held in the school library, Mother Goose is Wonthaggi North's answer to reading time.

Bring along your little munchkin and listen as a book is read aloud.

For the more active moments, 'Play & Explore' is for 0-5-year-olds with interactive and fun pre-kinder activities for parents and their little ones.

To find out more, contact Wonthaggi North Primary School.



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- We offer explicit instruction for Literacy and Numeracy in line with evidence based best practice
- Intervention Program with highly skilled educators
- 'Play is the Way' program and a variety of wellbeing programs
- Outside of School Hours Care
- Weekly student choice elective subjects
- Small class sizes with highly skilled Teachers and Education Support staff
- School Therapy Dog – Kodak
- Beautiful rural school grounds
- Pre-Prep Transition sessions from August

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Respect • Resilience Community • Challenge • Explore



At Wonthaggi North we teach more than just the curriculum. We believe in our students and support them through their learning journey from first challenge to final outcome.

- Challenging Learning School
- Respectful Relationships Curriculum
- Ready, Set, PREP! transition program
- Sounds-Write phonics
- The Big Six Reading
- Reader's Workshop
- Writer's Workshop
- Maths Investigations
- Better Buddies Program
- Zones of Regulation
- Physical Education, Artist in Residence, Art, Drama
- Family Picnic, Book Week Parade, 100 days of School, Christmas Concert, Obstacool
- Parents and Friends Association.
- Lunchtime clubs; Garden Club, Table Tennis, Drawing Club, Under the Rotunda
- Eco Warriors, student led sustainability team
- Breakfast Club
- Parent - Child Mother Goose Program
- Play and Explore, 0-5 years playgroup



**WONTHAGGI NORTH
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From left, art teacher Luke Sutton, school captain Boyd, vice-captain Mikayla, vice-captain Adam, school captain Billie and music and cultural awareness teacher Ruth Chambers. C15_2022



Wonthaggi Primary School student Tara was joined by Aunty Fay for an in-school excursion.

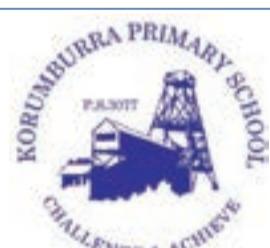


At the beginning of each day, students read out their class Acknowledgement of Country in recognition of the land on which they learn.

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Safe, secure and supportive environment at Leongatha PS

THE wellbeing of students and their families is a top priority for Leongatha Primary School's staff.

"We have an open-door policy for parents to meet with the principal team," co-assistant principal Ben Soumilas said.

That includes home visits, if required.

"We provide an environment that's safe, secure and supportive," Ben said.

There is a strong investment in staff, with a wellbeing team that includes counsellors to support students across the grades, assisting them one-on-one or in small groups as required.

Every grade level also has a 'designated champion' who focuses on ensuring students' needs are catered for.

Those champions form an Engagement Team, the responsibilities of which include implementing the Respectful Relationships program.

Millie is a particularly popular recent addition to the staff, who despite her tender age is contributing greatly to the welfare of students.

She is the school's only canine staff member, with the puppy purchased through the assistance of the state govern-



Prep team leader Emalie Elliott, Paris Buckley (assistant principal), Dot Coghlan (principal), and Ben Soumilas (assistant principal) with Emalie's class. A06_1922

ment's mental health fund.

That's an investment that continues to reap reward.

"She's proven to be a huge success for our school after COVID," principal Dot Coghlan said.

"We've had a number of students who have struggled to come in and Millie has made the difference."

The new staff member relishes

the perks of the job, including lots of attention and a chance to dig in the sandpit.

Ben joked that Millie needs to work on her stamina.

"Out of all the staff members she falls asleep the most," he said.

Principal Dot said that the school's dedicated teachers "are skilled at dealing with students and their welfare needs".

There is a shared approach to student wellbeing across the school that starts with each pupil.

That flows from the realisation that once students are comfortable, they are ready to learn.

Leongatha Primary School works closely with its neighbours, the South Gippsland Specialist School and Leongatha

Secondary College, which combined form the Leongatha Education Precinct.

The three schools not only share a site but their expertise.

Some families have children at more than one of the adjoining schools, making the collaborative approach all the more important.

The collaboration also ensures a smooth transition for those students graduating from the primary school to the secondary college.

Leongatha Primary School adopts a consistent approach to the curriculum, with four learning support specialists working closely with teachers.

There is also recognition that some students at times need a break from classroom learning and the opportunity to gain hands-on learning experience and real-life skills.

That opportunity is available for students between grades 3 and 6, some of whom recently constructed a bench next to the music room.

"That builds a sense of pride in the students," Ben said.

The school runs a range of specialist programs, with students rotating through PE, Visual Arts, Performing Arts and Chinese.

LPS Vision

To foster kindness, curiosity, confidence, and inclusion. Our students are lifelong learners who set high expectations, accept challenges and contribute to a global community.



Leongatha Primary School provides a wide variety of experiences for all students.

- A caring team approach to student's wellbeing.
- Strong transitional programs – Step into Prep and 6/7 transition.
- 1:1 iPads across Grades 3-6.
- Fantastic Specialist Programs: PE, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Languages (Chinese).
- A rigorous and consistent literacy and maths curriculum across the school.
- Dedicated Learning Specialists and tutors.

LPS also has a school dog that the students love!



Leongatha Primary School

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Stay and play in Leongatha



Ava and Isaac at Stay n' Play.



Lucy paints at four-year-old kinder.



Stay n' Play participants enjoy an activity.

LEONGATHA Community Preschools (LCP) offer an innovative educational program tailored to the needs of each child, with new after kinder Stay n' Play sessions providing flexibility for working parents, including those with young primary school children.

LCP kinder runs much like a school, between 9am and 3pm.

Stay n' Play goes from then, through until 6pm.

"It enables working parents to have additional hours," LCP president Carly O'Malley said.

Stay n' Play will keep children engaged as well as enjoying some downtime.

"They get to play, do some cooking and chill out after kinder," Carly said.

However, the after kinder sessions are available not only to kinder-aged children but also to primary school students up to grade 3 level.

With the Stay n' Play sessions run at the Hassett Street Kindergarten, its educators can walk to nearby primary schools to collect participating students.

With long waiting lists at childcare centres, the flexibility the new program affords is crucial.

The service is affordable, with discounts for those enrolling more than one child.

The cost is \$25 a child for the three hours, \$40 in total for two children, and \$50 for three or more.

LCP has a focus on ensuring children's smooth transition from kindergarten to school.

As well as comparable hours, literacy and numeracy learning opportunities are integrated into kindergarten activities.

"Getting them school-ready is a big thing at the moment, with kids missing out on so much social interaction and other activities they would have done," Carly said.

She outlined how the organisation caters to the needs of the children.

"We've got really experienced educators and it's an individual program, so the educators will get to know the kids and what they are interested in and tailor the program accordingly," Carly said.

LCP was established in 1948.



Students enjoy learning about Indonesian culture and language. Back row: Bohdy and Adalyn. Front row: Natasha, Max, Oceana and Lilly. A06_2022

A bit of everything at Tarwin Lower PS

STUDENTS at Tarwin Lower Primary School (TLPS) enjoy a broad mix of academic learning, language and culture, along with life skills, in a supportive and fun environment.

School chaplain Sue Cronk is on hand for students, their carers, and school staff, to provide pastoral care when needed.

"It's been important to have her onboard to make sure the wellbeing of everyone in the school community is cared for," acting principal Freya Carbone said.

Sue is an enthusiastic participant in the school community, running craft classes and a twice-weekly breakfast club.

Students take a hands-on approach to growing

and harvesting produce, learning delicious ways to prepare it in the kitchen, with the school a participant in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program.

Sue joins the cooking sessions. Her role extends beyond the classroom.

"She connects us with the community," Freya said.

That includes organising activities for students at Venus Bay Community Centre, such as an upcoming bike repair workshop that fits into the school's theme of sustainability.

Indonesian teacher Irene Beasley ensures students have fun learning the basics of the language and culture during their weekly sessions with her.

School camps enable

TLPS to expose young people in its care to exciting life experiences.

A recent grade 5 and 6 adventure took students to Melbourne, where they took part in a range of cultural activities, visiting institutions such as Melbourne Museum and the National Gallery of Victoria.

The Eureka Sky Deck was a highlight for grade 6 pupil Olivia.

"The view was beautiful and I saw Flinders Street Station and the MCG," she said.

For another student, Reeve, the trip enabled him to experience a museum, gallery and zoo for the first time, while school captain Blake loved watching changing patterns at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image.

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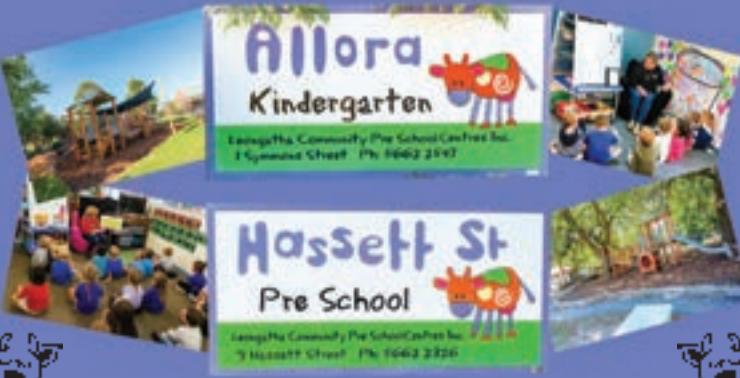
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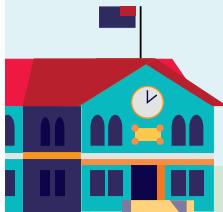
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Students drive meaningful change

THE multi-award-winning Kids as Catalysts program run by local not-for-profit Kids Thrive is excited to be running more programs across schools in our region this year.

Newhaven Primary School delivered the program in 2021 and will be going into its second year of the program.

"We are getting excited to once again be part of the Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts program," Newhaven Primary School principal Sharyne Munday said.

"Students can't wait to be the vehicle of change in their community and work alongside so many community-minded groups."

"This year's grade 6 students can't wait to support and guide the year 5s who have not been part of the program before."

"They love calling community groups and going out in the community to do something positive. Students love the real-life experiences."

The Kids Thrive 'Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts' program was brought to the region by the incredible team at Bass Coast Community Foundation who funded the Newhaven Primary School pilot last year and has committed to supporting the ongoing program with additional funding from VicHealth.

Bass Valley Primary School and Powlett River Primary School are about to start on the program.

It is a unique and powerful child-led change model which enhances the capacity of kids to drive meaningful change with and for their local communities.

The Bass Coast pilot program saw around 80 per cent of students experience positive growth in their personal skills, including their confidence, teamwork, empathy, respect and equity. They also showed improvement in their educational engagement, self-directed learning, and numeracy and literacy outcomes.

Most students demonstrated strengthened leadership, community engagement skills and social awareness, resulting in an increase in their trusted community networks.

This funding means many more students will be partnering with community groups to drive local change.

"The additional funding will really boost the program and allows us to employ local roles. This will make an even greater impact on all involved - children, schools, families, and the broader community. It's a win/win for everyone involved," said Andrea Rieniets, co-director of Kids Thrive.

Phil Friedlos, chair of Bass Coast Community Foundation, said: "Supporting Kids Thrive's Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts is a great example of the power of the Bass Coast Community Foundation using locally donated money to fund local solutions to local issues."

"We hear all the time about the issue of children being worried about what's happening or not happening in the world."

"So, the foundation is proud to support Kids Thrive, such a forward-looking local organisation, to have such a positive impact on the lives of children's mental health and wellbeing."

"Kids Thrive's Bass Coast Kids as Catalysts gives children the skills and pathways to make a change for the better in their local communities. It's something we used to overlook, that kids are important members of our communities."

Student Harvey said: "Anyone can do anything if they put enough effort into it. And it's good to help people even if you haven't been helped. You might feel gratitude and feel good to know how other people feel after your actions."

Practical skills in an inclusive community



Saxon and Jayden are completing the Certificate II in Horticulture. A07_2022



Middle year students draw places in New South Wales. A09_2022

STUDENTS at South Gippsland Specialist School (SGSS) experience a varied and rich curriculum while learning social and work skills.

"The school is an inclusive community, and our vision is to teach our students to be safe, friendly, respectful learners who are actively involved in their community," principal Heather Braden said.

Students are given a say in how the school is run and what they would like available, and their voices will be taken into account in deciding how best to spend over \$3.6 million of funding allocated to SGSS in the recent State Budget.

While the details are yet to be determined, Heather said the money will go towards state-of-the-art facilities for the school's growing student population, including those with high needs.

SGSS caters for pupils with intellectual disabilities with a broad range of abilities, from prep to year 12.

Around 60 per cent have been diagnosed with autism.

Students have the opportunity to acquire practical work skills through the School Based Apprenticeship and Traineeship (SBAT) program, run with the assistance of registered training organisation the National Food Institute, and Gre8 a disability service provider.

There is no charge to students

to participate in the SBAT program and they receive payment for their work.

Through the program, some are undertaking a Certificate II in Horticulture.

They maintain the school gardens, also working elsewhere.

Work experience coordinator Lee Beattie said the opportunity to work builds pride in the young participants, and that the employers who show faith in them are richly rewarded.

"Our students always rock up and they're passionate and excited to be at work," Lee said.

Heather said the SBAT program and the contribution students make in the community demonstrate their capabilities.

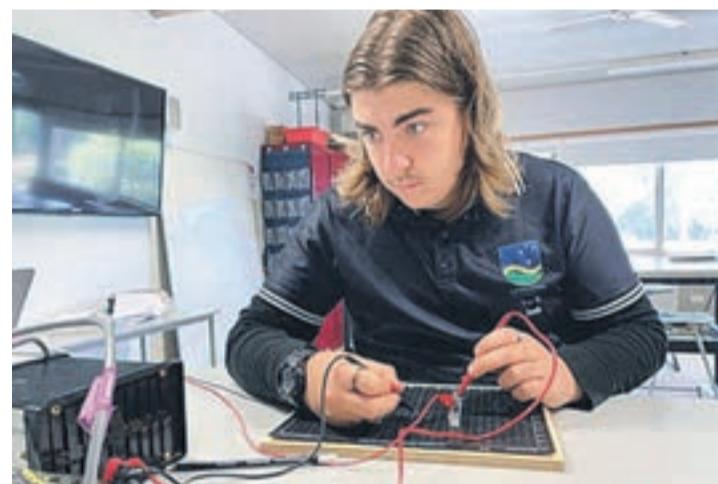
Both Heather and Lee expressed their appreciation of all the businesses that support students with work opportunities, with more always welcome.

SGSS teaches students expected behaviours in a positive fashion, rewarding them when school expectations are met.

Jayden, who is an enthusiastic participant in the SBAT program, collected a 300-piece tackle box on Friday, acknowledging his positive behaviour, with a system of tokens ensuring all students receive due credit.

With SGSS being the only specialist school in South Gippsland, students come from across the shire.

Learn more about attending Leongatha SC



Year 12 student Josh Allen in physics class.



Chloe Challis completed her week of work experience at Gippsland Veterinary Group in Leongatha.

LEONGATHA Secondary College has been investing in further developing a culture of high expectations across all year levels.

This includes the inclusion of subjects such as Spark in the junior years, where one focus is on the explicit teaching of study skills, and also the building of our senior students' understanding of specific and effective methods of studying in preparation for upcoming exams.

It is the small tasks that make large goals achievable, therefore setting up strong skills and habits can have a profound effect on students' success.

A Year 7 Information Evening will be held on Tuesday, May 24, in the junior building. This is an opportunity for students and staff to showcase their great work and learning to prospective students and their parents/guardians. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to register by scanning the QR code on the advertisement in this edition.

On Wednesday, June 15, the college will host a VCE Information Night for our college community to unpack how we can support our students who are completing a year 12 subject through their last year of compulsory schooling.

Being successful in VCE

By Leongatha Secondary College

relies heavily on the support that the college, parents and carers can provide our students, including having a focus on their wellbeing as well as their academic pursuits.

We welcome our parents and carers of students pursuing a VCE subject to join our wellbeing team, careers coordinators and college leaders at 7pm in the Performing Arts Centre.

LSC would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our community members and organisations who volunteered to host our year 10 college students last week for their work experience placements.

As well as being a great opportunity to explore future career options, these placements also assist in building our young people's independence, maturity and self-confidence and build strong connections with their local community. Students were able to understand how the skills and knowledge taught in the classroom relates directly to the tasks they complete in the workplace.

If you have any inquiries on these evenings or other opportunities at Leongatha Secondary College, please phone the general office on 5667 2200.



Bass Coast Specialist School principal Rob Sands (left), teachers Chloe Thomas and Angela Holland, and students, were joined by Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale (right) to celebrate the almost \$2m in funding the school received from the state government. ns012022

Pivotal year for Bass Coast Specialist School

BASS Coast Specialist School is entering a very exciting time in our history.

In the recent Victorian Budget 2022/23, our school was allocated nearly \$2m in extra funding to upgrade and improve our existing facilities and create new permanent buildings on our site.

This funding is the biggest upgrade boost we have received to date.

Since the announcement, we have entered the initial

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stages of consulting with our community to discuss how this funding can be used to ensure we continue to provide the facilities and support that our students need to fulfil their potential.

Other exciting projects currently emerging are the upgrades we are developing to encourage our students to connect safely with the

natural environment.

We are creating better access to a natural bushland setting and creating a lovely natural space where students can enjoy and relax in the beautiful, natural environment.

We are enhancing our students' employability skills through school-based apprenticeships, horticulture, hospitality and other hands-on experiential learning opportunities, all linked together

through the development of our new urban farm.

This is a very exciting program where the students link science, food production, nutrition and hospitality to help encourage a healthy lifestyle and connect with family and friends in a practical way.

After two years of the pandemic, we are really focusing on healthy minds, healthy bodies and healthy, happy and connected students.

One for the books

THOUSANDS of Victorian children are preparing to discover a new chapter by immersing themselves in the world of words and the magic of books as the Premiers' Reading Challenge returns for 2022.

"Books really do expand the mind, take us places and give us new perspectives, so here's a great opportunity for students of all ages to get involved, learn things and have fun," Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale said.

Ms Crugnale is encouraging schools to participate in this year's challenge. The initiative promotes the importance of reading for children and students from early childhood to year 10, while encouraging families to get more involved and support their children's reading at home.

The challenge encourages students to read a set number of books, depending on their age and level, over the year with their reading efforts recorded online.

Picture books, short stories, poems or non-fiction books in any language all count as part of the challenge.

The state government launched the Premiers' Reading Challenge in February 2005 to promote the importance of reading among school students.

"Reading is not only a key part of every child's development, boosting their academic, social and emotional skills, it's a fun and joyful way for children to learn about new people, places and worlds and open their minds," Minister for Education James Merlino said.



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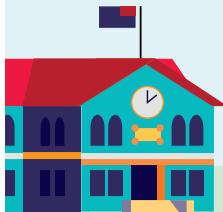
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Our staff include specialised teachers, classroom support staff and a team of allied health therapists whose services comprise speech pathology, counselling, music therapy and visiting physiotherapy.

Bass Coast Specialist School works in partnership with our parents and the community and is committed to developing the skills required for independence and community inclusion.

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Bass Coast College going from strength to strength

A century of education

WHILE 2022 marks 150 years of public education in Victoria, it is also a milestone for public education in Bass Coast.

This year is the 100th anniversary of public secondary education in the shire.

Starting with Wonthaggi Technical School in 1922, the student numbers reached a peak of 746 in 1964 before students separated into the newly built Wonthaggi High School.

Wonthaggi Secondary College formed in 1988, when the Wonthaggi Technical School and Wonthaggi High School merged.

Jumping ahead to 2022, Wonthaggi Secondary College has transformed once again, to include another junior campus at San Remo and have a name change to become Bass Coast College.

With more than 1560 students across four campuses, the college is very proud of its history and progression in providing quality education for the young people of Bass Coast.

There are two junior campuses, years 7-9, one in South Dudley and the other in San Remo.

Bass Coast College recognises that students have different needs, abilities, interests, and ambitions and that its students are drawn from a wide range of socio-economic backgrounds.

The college has a tradition of student participation and success in the performing arts, and regularly enjoys sporting success at local, state, and national levels.

The college is the coordinating school for the South Gippsland Schools Music Program and currently has around 100 students involved in the program.

To further connect students to their local community, an ADVANCE program (based on surf lifesaving) also operates.

The college provides a caring, supportive environment whilst also encouraging teamwork, leadership, and a sense of belonging.

Students are encouraged to develop leadership skills through the Student Representative Council and as elected student leaders of the campus and house sports.

The staff at Bass Coast College are passionate, committed educators who are invested in the continual improvement of our educational programs in a supportive and creative environment.

WITH a new name and campus, Bass Coast College is proud to reflect the wider community while striving to improve education for all its students.

With four sites, three in Wonthaggi and one in San Remo, the college aims to meet the needs of students from all backgrounds.

And with a mostly undisrupted start to the year, each campus is looking forward to what the future holds.

San Remo Campus

THE San Remo Campus officially opened its doors in February this year and now boasts more than 400 students from years 7 to 9.

Campus principal Emma Harris said they have had a great start to the year, with staff and students enjoying the stunning natural environment that surrounds the school.

"We're really happy with how the school has come about and students are settling well into their new environment and classrooms," she said.

"We've got fantastic technology and a fantastic theme section of the school, where we're running various programs and a state-of-the-art woodwork area."

Last week, the school celebrated a major milestone completing the NAPLAN test online for the first time.

"It was incredibly smooth sailing; students were outstanding as they approached the test and it was all really positive," she said.

The school has also restructured their mentor program, which is now conducted as sub-schools to help each year level interact with each other.

"We hosted our first sub-school tabloid sports, that introduced new types of activities that were non-traditional sports.

"It was really accessible and fun for all students, not just those with sporting abilities."

The campus also hosted interschool Football, with senior and junior competitions on their new spectacular oval.

The school is also strongly focused on supporting year 9 students with their career program to help guide them towards their future aspirations.

"In early term 3, there will be a career 'speed dating' for year 9 that's held at the senior campus," she said.

"Part of that is their transition to that campus and we're really preparing them to have a positive pathway through education.

"It's really important to us, success will look different for every student and it's not always about the 'A' at the end of the day."

McKenzie Campus

BASS Coast College's McKenzie campus (senior) will have a strong focus on supporting its students this year as they return to COVID-normal.

After two years of disruptions and remote learning, the campus has enjoyed being on-site again and continues to adapt its subjects and classes to ease students back.



Bass Coast College students proudly wear their uniforms with their new college name.

Acting assistant college principal Phil Hughes, said while the campus is getting back on track, there is much work that is needed to be done to support staff, students and the community.

"The Department of Education does have priority goals returning from COVID," he said.

"This is around supporting learning, not just for students who struggled during the COVID period, but those who excelled during remote learning periods."

Mr Hughes said this involved providing strategies so students can excel and giving them extra assistance.

"The other priority goal is well-being," he said.

"That's really supporting mental health, which was really amplified through COVID."

"We now have a mental health practitioner who provides one-to-one student support.

"We've got an additional student welfare team, and we've also employed a school chaplain."

Mr Hughes said the campus has also integrated programs focusing on life skills such as goal setting, time management, social skills and respectful relationships into their curriculum.

"For our year 11 students, the last time they had an undisrupted year was in year 8, and now they're doing VCE, VET and VCAL subjects," he said.

"We've also made sure to include in our curriculum very explicit pathways for students investigating work experience.

"And also support investigations into their career options as much as possible, while providing them with exposure to employable skills and actual employment environments."

The Sentinel-Times also chatted with some of the senior students, who highlighted one of the biggest challenges of lockdown was finding motivation.

"It was hard when you didn't have the classroom or a teacher to push you," one student said.

ended with 75-80, and this year it's already at 75.

"The need that has been driven by COVID has increased the number of referrals to us, which is great, that's why we're here."

Mr Fawcett said the aim of the campus is to try transition students back to mainstream, or help them to find other pathways such as Tafe, VCAL or apprenticeships.

Day to day classroom programs are also designed specifically to support students so they can work at their own pace in a decentralised environment.

Dudley Campus

The Dudley Campus has greatly enjoyed more flexibility with the San Remo campus now in full swing.

With a smaller cohort, students have been relished being able to make friends easier and get to know their teachers more.

And for Dudley campus year 9 captains Alex and Georgia, 2022 has been their first 'real' taste of school life.

"We started school in year 7 as the lockdown hit, it was so hard," Alex said.

"I remember just starting to adjust to year 7 and I was with friends when we heard about COVID and said imagine if it came here and what would we do?"

"We were talking about a birthday party coming up and then that week we went into lockdown."

Georgia also highlighted the struggles that young students have faced after missing out on almost two years of socialisation, often going months without seeing friends.

However, the captains have been going from strength to strength this year recently visiting year 6 students transitioning to year 7, giving them guidance and words of advice.

Campus principal Michael Shone said with almost 300 less students due to the San Remo campus, this has allowed teachers to form better bonds with students.

"Knowing students is really important, students don't learn well if they don't feel a sense of belonging and respect," he said.

"Something we're doing differently is we've moved to vertical sub-schools; rather than year 7 students being led by year 7 coordinators, years 7, 8 and 9 now have two sets of coordinators that lead the sub-schools."

"We're working to create greater access between the year levels and for students to do more things together as a group."

Mr Shone also highlighted the campus is looking to return to 'pen and paper' to help reduce students reliance on technology.

"It sounds crazy but it's a deliberate measure we've done," he said.

"It supports a way of thinking and learning that the computer at times doesn't."

The school is also working to close the gap between students who struggled with remote learning during lockdowns and ensure they are back up to speed.

Learning together

Across South Gippsland

Together, we aim to provide every student with the knowledge, capabilities and attributes that will see them thrive throughout their lives.



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Bass Coast College

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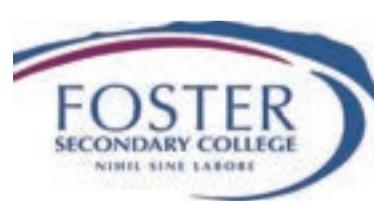


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Principal
Mr Brad Hutchinson

Please contact your nearest Secondary College to book your school tour.



Olive, Riven, Cleo and Claire on an 'Out 'n' About' to Coal Creek.

Focus on social and emotional learning

NOW in its seventh year, Phillip Island Village School (PIVS) proudly provides an alternative approach to primary education with an intentionally small, family-like atmosphere.

The school has a focus on fostering the development of sparky, engaged students - tuning into student passions and recognising the uniqueness and contributions of each individual.

The staff are responsive to the feelings and needs of their students and prepare programs and experiences that reflect their interests.

The school has a long-term vision, recognising that the journey of developing self-awareness and what we can each contribute to the world takes time and is likely to continue throughout our whole lives.

Their academic program is based on the Victorian Curriculum but is integrated with the 'Village Schools Curriculum', with key focuses including social and emotional learning, camps and 'Out 'n' About's', and Student Parliament.

These programs are central to the way that life at school operates, and students quickly learn that at PIVS their ideas and opinions are valued, and that the social and emotional wellbeing of everyone in the school is considered to be of high importance.

For this reason, the Social and Emotional (S&E) program at the school not only comprises direct teaching sessions, involving discussion, roleplay and storytelling, but Mentors (teachers) are trained in restorative practices to help students learn to unpack difficult moments at school.

Respect, consideration and kindness are modelled by adults and children in all school contexts.

Students also have many opportunities in their week for cross-age interaction, mentoring and learning.

Principal Jo Huckett explains: "We've had great feedback from families and the wider community about the ability of our students to communicate, self-regulate, problem solve and resolve conflicts.

"These strong skills in social and emotional interactions are actively nurtured at PIVS.

"We also find that these qualities serve our students well when they progress to Village High School; they are ready to share ideas with peers and Mentors, and partner with adults in developing their learning programs."

Phillip Island Village School has limited vacancies in levels 1 to 6. To enquire, please contact Lien Sim at admin@pivilageschool.org.au.

Melina pays tribute to our heroic teachers

EVEN as rolling waves of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to challenge our teachers, support staff, students and parents almost to breaking point, there's still much to celebrate in Education Week 2022 – May 22 to 28.

This year's event, the 78th Education Week, is celebrating the theme of '150 Years of Public Education' in Victoria.

And local MP Melina Bath, herself a former teacher in the area, has taken the opportunity to pay tribute to the heroic efforts of our school communities in the past two years.

"As a former teacher in our state school system, I have an inside appreciation of the incredible commitment teachers make to their students and the positive influence they can have on the lives and career pathways of our young people."

"Having taught both VCE and VCAL, I understand the importance of giving students a good educational foundation in mathematics, English and science, and encouraging their natural interests and talents to

direct later subject choices," Ms Bath said this week.

"Over the past two years, students, parents and educators have had to adapt to the significant challenges home-based learning presented and in doing so have heroically navigated through COVID lockdowns and social isolation.

"Nothing replaces the social and educational benefits of face-to-face learning and I congratulate everyone for persevering."

"Acknowledging that some of our students have struggled with the disconnection from school, I am sure this is a concern for parents and educators."

"It is the role of government to support student re-engagement and make up for lost learning."

"During Education Week, I would like to commend Gippsland students for their resilience over the past two years. Thank you to our regional teachers who adapted and continued to direct, encourage, stimulate and engage young minds under such challenging circumstances."

CATHOLIC EDUCATION: REBUILD RESTORE RENEW TOGETHER



St Joseph's School - Wonthaggi has been providing a high standard of education for more than 100 years.

Why St Joseph's School, Wonthaggi?

ESTABLISHED in 1912 by the Sisters of St Joseph, St Joseph's School - Wonthaggi has remained committed to providing its students with a well-balanced, relevant education and curriculum for more than 100 years.

According to St Joseph's School principal, Ronan O'Mahony: "St Joseph's is not only a school of learning committed to providing a quality education but is also a community of faith that shares with parents the challenging responsibility of nurturing a child in the context of a complex

and fast-changing world.

"Our school logo, which proudly bears the words 'Faith Trust Love', provides for each of us a foundation on which we can continue to strive - parents, staff and students.

"It is the profile through which we live and work together in the hope of achieving our mission and vision as a Catholic school while at the same time remaining proud and valuing our rich and significant Josephite charism and history.

"At St Joseph's School, we are committed to supporting parents as the first

and primary educators of their children.

"We assume the belief that schooling is a partnership operation.

"It is in working as partners - in supporting and encouraging each other's efforts that we benefit in bringing children to a genuine knowledge of themselves and of the world in which they live.

"Together, it is hoped that efforts of cooperation and mutual support will complement each other through the sharing of a common vision and of common goals."

Every Child, Every Day, Learning and Achieving in a Faith-Filled Environment



Accepting Enrolments for 2023

Contact the office to make an appointment for a school tour

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The Grade 1/2s have welcomed four new members to the team, with two stick insects and two spiny leaf stick insects.

Creepy-crawly critters at St Joseph's

IN A fantastic start back for term two, students at St Joseph's School Wonthaggi are learning about creepy-crawly critters.

Learning about their lifecycles, the class has received two crowned stick insects and two spiny leaf stick insects along with stick insect eggs.

Over the term, students hope to answer questions on creepy-crawly critters from caterpillars to ants and everything in between.



Students have been learning about creepy-crawly critters at St Joseph's School Wonthaggi.



Mrs Anderson stands with the four school leaders, from left, Annie, Rocco, Cody and Amity.

Children thriving at St Joseph's Korumburra

THIS year, St Joseph's Primary School Korumburra welcomed their new principal, Sharon Anderson as well as teacher, Casey Bateman and education support officer, Belinda Isted.

"It has been a positive start to the year and the children are thriving in their learning," principal Sharon Anderson explained.

Over recent years, St Joseph's have focused on a strong phonic approach to teach reading and writing, and they are delighted with the results.

"It is wonderful to see the

joy on the children's faces as they read a new word or write an exciting sentence.

"We have also introduced small group, single class learning in our newly refurbished junior building.

"In the morning and the afternoon, our juniors from foundation to year 2 come together for Inquiry Learning.

"It has been so much fun and together with our specialist subjects of STEM, PE, Art and Italian; there have been many opportunities for the children to experience."

Years 3 to 6 children enjoy many opportunities to participate in local and

regional sports with other schools. Early next term, year 5/6 children will be heading into Melbourne for a city camp experience.

"Our year 6s are starting to get excited about high school.

"They will be heading off to different schools next year, including Mary Mackillop College, Korumburra Secondary College and Neerim.

A highlight this year was Harmony Day where St Joseph's came together to celebrate their differences - at school and in the wider community.

To add to this theme, they

also all got their rhythm on with African drumming at school.

"We are delighted to welcome our families back with fortnightly assemblies where we celebrate our learning and recognise the way our children have been reflecting our school-wide expectations of being responsible, respectful and caring.

"Some of our students proudly represented our school at the Korumburra ANZAC Day service and it was so special to welcome our local RSL members to our school for our own service."



You are welcome to visit us at our open morning on
Tuesday, May 31 from 9.30 to 11am

We nurture our children as curious, creative learners
and as active, caring members of our community.

We invite you to experience the St Joseph's difference.



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Back together again at Mary MacKillop College



Elena Dimopolous on the high swing at the year 7 camp in February.



Mary MacKillop students Misha Gange and Sophie Kreutzberger.

MARY MacKillop Catholic Regional College (MMCRC) is celebrating everyone being back together, able to interact in the classroom and enjoy the school's holistic approach to learning.

That approach includes offering innovative programs that allow students to develop knowledge, skills and values to make choices that lead to a fulfilling and positive life.

"Students are at the heart of all we do and we aim to provide a sense of belonging that builds confidence and connection," principal John Freeman said.

The school provides each young person in its care with a Catholic education inspired by the Josephite tradition.

With year 7 enrolments for 2023 open until May 31 this year, 160 students attended a grade 6 activity day early this month to experience what it might be like for them as a year 7 student at MMCRC.

Current students have relished the chance to reconnect with others after two years of disruptions and cancellations.

As well as on-campus learning and interaction, school camps and school sports have returned, with students participating in swimming, athletics and cross country.

Such opportunities and the interaction they foster help build confidence and connection across the school community.

While Anzac Day provided a chance for sombre reflection, it was a positive experience commemorated with a whole of school gathering, reflecting the importance MMCRC places on community.

'Be a gift of love and compassion' Mary MacKillop 1899



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Volunteer Concierge and BCH Ladies Auxiliary vice-president Christine Van Eck (right) with Libby Hutchinson.



Helen and Marj maintain social distancing thanks to a clothes rack.

Our treasured volunteers

BASS Coast Health's board of directors, CEO, executives and staff value our wonderful volunteer team.

We thank our volunteers for their adaptability, resilience and support to our community and our health service during challenging times.

Our volunteers contribute in many ways to Bass Coast Health, delivering valuable services for our community.

Our staff and community wish to thank our volunteers who have

contributed to Transport Driving, Meals on Wheels, Car Washing, Consumer Advisory Committees, Auxiliaries, Volunteer Concierge, and other activities that have supported our staff and our community.

We look forward to gardening and pet therapy programs starting.

If you are interested in joining this dynamic team, please contact the Volunteer Support Team on 5671 3372 or email Mandy.Gilcrist@basscoasthealth.org.au.



Bass Coast Health volunteer Christine with Lyne and Sarah of BCH Inverloch Arts Auxiliary.



Don and Trev prepare to go for a drive through the Transport Driving program.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers

We could not grow our services or deliver excellent care without you



If you are interested in joining this dynamic team please contact the Volunteer Support Team on **5671 3372** or email Mandy.Gilcrist@basscoasthealth.org.au

THANK YOU to all our volunteers

Gippsland Southern Health Service (GSHS) thanks all our volunteers for their commitment and dedication to the care and support of our residents, patients and clients. Every week our wonderful volunteers make a real difference to the lives of people in our GSHS community.

Our volunteers support in the following areas:

- Social support to residents in our Aged Care Facilities
- Planned Activity Groups for older people
- Exercise Programs for older people
- Reception and Administration at the Tarwin Lower Community Health Centre
- Support to people receiving Chemotherapy
- Volunteer Transport to and from medical appointments
- Gardening

GSHS is always interested in talking to potential volunteers. If you would like to volunteer please contact the Volunteer Team Leader on

5654 2738



Volunteers have been manning the fort at Rose Lodge Opportunity Shop for 60 years, with all profits going directly to equipment and services for residents.

60 years of volunteering at Rose Lodge

IT MAY have been delayed by two years due to the pandemic, but the joy was in no way hindered when the volunteers at Rose Lodge Opportunity Shop gathered in celebration of 60 years at Wonthaggi State Coal Mine Café.

"On behalf of the staff and residents, we appreciate the dedication and work of the volunteers, and what they do for our residents," Shane Jenkins, Rose Lodge chief executive officer, said.

As a not-for-profit aged care facility owned by the Wonthaggi community, 100 per cent of profits from Rose Lodge Opportunity Shop go directly to buying equipment, furnishings and items that directly impact residents' care.



Rose Lodge Opportunity Shop volunteers were treated to a 'Thank You' afternoon tea at the Wonthaggi State Coal Mine Café.



Inverloch Community House Soup Café volunteers Julie, Robyn, Lisa (Community House coordinator), Sue, Heather, Mary and Helen. C01_2022

Hearty soup in Inverloch

A LONG time between meals, Inverloch Community House's Soup Café is back in action and open for business.

For the first time in a long time, with the pandemic cancelling many of 2021's sessions, and celebrating Neighbourhood House Week, individuals were treated to a warm hearty bowl of soup on Tuesday.

Whether pumpkin, chicken and vegie or the traditional minestrone, the ambrosial smell wafted through the building, the taste reminiscent of a delicious homemade recipe.

Prepared by a large contingent of volunteer chefs, Inverloch Community House coordinator Lisa was overjoyed by the sheer number of volunteers who stepped up and helped out.

"Celebrating as a community, especially during Neighbourhood House Week," Lisa explained.

"We're excited to be back together, connecting the community."

So, why did the volunteers get involved?

"I like helping people and I feel good," volunteer Julie added, as she dished out the soup to waiting customers.

"Connecting!" Helen smiled.

"I wanted to help – it's my first time," Robyn explained.

"I'm studying French at the Hub and heard about it. I'll be back!"

With tables filling just after opening, and the family spirit strong, whether you are looking for a hearty meal (pay as you feel) or sharing lunch and a conversation with loved ones or strangers, pop down to Inverloch Community House on June 14, July 12, August 9 and September 13 from 12pm to 1.30pm and experience it for yourself.



Margaret and Neil Drummond, Vince and Barbara Baskerville, Anne McDonald and Robyn Burgess enjoy lunch at the Inverloch Community House Soup Café in celebration of Neighbourhood House Week. C02_2022



**Thank you to our wonderful volunteers
(past and present)**

**Our Opportunity Shop has been
serving the community for over 60 years!**

This local shop has been a phenomenal fundraiser for Rose Lodge, providing funding for all types of equipment and technological innovations to improve the lives of our frail elderly who call Rose Lodge home.

We are proud to be associated with all who give their time to assist at this well respected local icon.

**Please speak to our dedicated
volunteers regarding donations**

Please note we don't take furniture and electrical items.
42 McBride Avenue, Wonthaggi

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK
16-22 MAY 2022
Better Together

**A HUGE THANK YOU
to all our amazing volunteers**





Some of the South Gippsland Shire Council's visitor information centre volunteers. The shire thanks more than 100 volunteers who help expand their services to visitors and the local community.

Why council is honouring its volunteers

FROM helping out with visitor information at the visitors' centre in Foster, to the shire's learner driver L2P program and even one-off Pop-Up Volunteering projects, the South Gippsland Shire Council highly values its volunteer 'workforce'.

So much so that they will be celebrating their involvement during National Volunteer Week (NVW), Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteers, from Monday, May 16 to Sunday, May 22, 2022.

"South Gippsland Shire Council is so fortunate that the proportion of the population who volunteer their time to support their communities within South Gippsland is higher than the regional or statewide average. This has remained relatively constant over time," said South Gippsland Mayor Cr Mohya Davies.

"The 2016 Census shows that 24 per cent of South Gippslanders volunteers which is significantly higher than the state average of 16 per cent.

"On behalf of council, I would like to send a heartfelt 'thank you' to everyone who volunteers in our community.

"Your contribution helps to make South Gippsland a better place to live and we would be lost without you."

Currently there are more than 100 volunteers who volunteer for council at any

given time. The volunteers assist in areas such as:

- L2P Learner Driver Mentor Program.
- Visitor Information Centres.
- Coal Creek Community Park and Museum.
- Youth Council.
- Council volunteers also assist with the upkeep of nature reserves and with rubbish collection throughout the region.

"We are hosting a Volunteer Years of Service ceremony during National Volunteer Week as a way of thanking our council volunteers," said a spokesperson for the shire.

"Volunteering is something that is so important to the fabric of South Gippsland and it is great to highlight their work whenever possible."

Driving program

The L2P Driver Mentor Program helps young drivers to gain the skills and experience they need to obtain their probationary licence ('P' plates). The program targets young people that may find it hard to find someone to supervise them to achieve 120 hours driving experience.

Pop-Up Volunteering

Pop-Up Volunteering is a great alternative

for those who wish to volunteer but don't want to be locked into a long-term commitment.

Pop-Up Volunteering embraces volunteer roles that are short projects that fit the ethos of volunteering and offer the community an opportunity to participate in focussed short term projects.

Opportunities to volunteer in these roles depend on available projects and the specific interest areas of volunteers.

Examples of recent Pop-Up Volunteering include environment, administration and sustainability projects.

Youth Council

The main function of the Youth Council is for young people to get together and take an active part in helping youth activity in South Gippsland. Youth Council members range between ages 12 and 25.

Generally, there are about 15 young people on the team from across South Gippsland. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, beginning at 4.15pm and ending at about 5.30pm, and are held at various locations across the shire. They aim to get representation from right across South Gippsland, and will help with travel assistance (such as a taxi) if you can't get to meetings.

Captains program widely welcomed

THE CFA's Captains Peer Mentor Program (CPMP), which launched in 2012, has rapidly spread throughout the state and is now run in 18 out of 21 CFA districts.

The program, which runs locally in Bass Coast and South Gippsland, supports captains in their broader leadership role of brigade management, rather than focusing on incident command and control.

The CPMP complements any existing informal support relationships a captain has by introducing them to experienced peers who they might not normally encounter or have access to.

The content is tailored to meet the specific needs of the participants and this content is largely chosen by them.

Partnering with a peer gives those being mentored the opportunity to work through issues or bounce around ideas about any aspect of their role that they find challenging or want to further develop.

Each participant works on what is most important to them at that particular moment in their leadership journey.

Participants can also choose to work at a strategic level with their mentor, planning their legacy to their brigade.

However, it's important to note that the mentor role focuses on support and knowledge sharing, rather than telling participants what to do.

The program involves a series of role and professional development workshops for both mentors and mentees, facilitated partnership meetings where mentors and mentees are brought together, independent partnership meetings, and ongoing support and check-ins managed collaboratively by program staff.

For more information, visit cfa.vic.gov.au.

Tenders out for new Wonthaggi SES facility

WONTHAGGI SES is one step closer to having a modern, purpose-built facility.

The new unit will be situated next to the Wonthaggi CFA on White Road, and will include a four-bay garage, indoor and outdoor training areas, kitchen facilities, offices and car parking.

In the 2018-19 State Budget, the state government allocated \$2 million for the acquisition of land for the new unit.

"They deserve a new facility that properly reflects the work they do, one they can call home and it will mean they can expand their services, programs and recruit new volunteers," said Member for Bass, Jordan Crugnale.

"This dedicated, professional, community-spirited and absolutely amazing first responder crew support our community in so many ways from storms, to floods, power outages and assist other emergency service agencies, including the CFA, when needed."



Designs have been completed for the new Wonthaggi SES Unit, with tender submissions currently under review.

The tender closed on May 5, 2022, with a strong response from the market.

Currently underway is the evaluation of submissions, with the contract award and construction commencement set to occur in the second half of this year.

The project is on track to reach practical completion in mid-2023.

The state government's 2022/23 Budget had also invested \$28.5 million into VICSES to maintain facilities, upgrade prior-

ity vehicles and help volunteers respond to floods and other emergencies.

Anyone interested in joining Wonthaggi SES can visit ses.vic.gov.au/join-us.

As part of National Volunteer Week, Wear Orange Wednesday (WOW Day) will be held on May 18 this week. It is a great opportunity to thank all SES volunteers who generously give their time to help communities during flood and storm emergencies.

National Volunteer Week



Thank you to our volunteers who dedicate their time and effort to supporting our community.



Meet our volunteers

VOLUNTEERS are the life blood of rural communities.

They respond at all hours of the day and night, saving two and four legged lives, often at the expense of missing special celebrations and occasions with their own family and friends.

Join us as we introduce you to volunteers from Phillip Island to the Prom and everywhere in between.



Jess Garvey
Wonthaggi
Fire Brigade

CFA runs in my family; I knew the life and it just happened.

I'm passionate about helping people in any way that I can and doing my part in the community.

Fires are very unpredictable; at French Island, it jumped containment lines. You really have to have your eyes open.



Harley Kent
San Remo and
Cowes SES

The experience – I started as a junior in Wonthaggi CFA when I was 12 and then shifted to SES around 2013. It's been 16 years...

The friendships you build within the volunteer community is important.

Going away and learning the swift water rescue was one of my favourite things, building one's skillset.



Mick Moore
Captain,
Tarwin Lower
Fire Brigade

The kids had left home and we moved to Walkerville, I wanted something to do to help the community, and it snowballed from there.

I've been the captain for 9 years – I went through the ranks pretty quickly.

The look when you pull up to a fire, the stress on their faces turn to relief. It's a team effort.



Nick Perera
Captain
Inverloch Surf
Life Saving
Club

I started as a Nipper in 2010, when I was nine and progressed through.

I fell in love with patrolling, grew my experiences and joined the leadership team.

There are so many aspects about patrolling that I love.

From surfing to lifesaving



While volunteer lifesavers take safety seriously, it's still fun with the relationships and friendships you make while doing something valuable for the community, says Scott Johnson.

Volunteers working together to support hospital

BASS Coast Health (BCH) staff were treated to a barbecue lunch courtesy of the volunteers of the BCH Inverloch Fundraising Auxiliary and the Lions Club of Inverloch on Wednesday, May 4.

The lunch was held at Wonthaggi Hospital to thank staff for their long, hard work during the COVID pandemic and to allow staff to mix socially again after restrictions segregated many work areas.

BCH board chair Don Parroth addressed staff, praising them for their dedication and hard work during what has been a trying time during the pandemic.

"Thank you, thank you, thank you. Your work is seen and it is appreciated," he said.

Don also thanked the volunteers of the Lions Club of Inverloch and the Inverloch Fundraising Auxiliary for their thoughtfulness and dedication.

Auxiliary secretary Terry Hall said the Lions Club and auxiliary were "only too pleased to be involved".

"As a member of both Lions and the auxiliary, I can tell you that we really appreciate the care and dedication shown by the Wonthaggi Hospital staff in looking after our community. Providing a barbecue is the least we could do," he said.

Lions Club of Inverloch president Ian Rasmussen added: "We're happy to chip in and assist the auxiliary and we're happy to help our mates at Bass Coast Health."

BEING a volunteer lifesaver has become a way of life for Scott Johnson of Venus Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

"I am originally from South Australia, so I attained my bronze medallion on January 23, 1988, at Chiton Rocks SLSC, where I have been president, club captain and treasurer and I'm a life member," Scott explained.

"I moved to Victoria in 2004 and have been at Venus Bay SLSC since."

Scott's involvement in surf lifesaving came about through surfing.

"Back in the 1980s, most of Chiton Rocks' members were surfers, including the establishing member the legendary Jimmy Miller, since the club has a bunk house which allowed for weekend surfing trips from Adelaide."

From Chiton to Venus Bay and even North Steyne SLSC, when he lived in Sydney for a year, lifesaving has provided an array of opportunities of Scott, including his new role on the Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS) team.

Becoming a member of the RPAS team was a flow-on effect from COVID-19 and lockdowns.

"Being locked up and working from home, I was watching a lot of YouTube videos.

"I'd always had an interest in drone photography but once we were allowed out of the house, I started doing a bit of nature photography.

"Then, at the start of 2021, I bought myself a little drone and was playing with the idea of if this was something I could get involved in within LSV's RPAS team.

"There is a bit of science and calculations involved but by sticking at it, I was accepted into the RPAS team as a casual and when LSV's eastern RPAS base at Venus Bay was opened, I volunteered to run the base.

"A 'normal' day is ideally pretty dull because it means there's no one in trouble but even then there is still safety and equipment checks to do, and if there are no taskings, we try to visit the local clubs, say hello and show them what we are doing.

"It's like the police driving around on patrol and on standby until something happens, but then when it does, very quickly springing into action.

"Most of our taskings are missing persons. For example, in January, we had someone who had gone into the water during the night and hadn't been seen, so we loaded up the car and drove to the location, liaised with LSV and VicPol on the beach then got to work with the other resources and coordinators for a search and rescue effort.

"Being a part of the RPAS team is me living out my fantasy and has not only allowed me to familiarise myself with drones but also reinforce my people management skills.

"I thought it would be a good way for me to extend my lifesaving career once my ability to do beach patrols ends.

"I am still patrol captain on the Geri Patrol at Venus Bay SLSC, so hopefully that won't be too soon."

For Scott, volunteering is about helping others and meeting people.

"It's good to interact with others, in particular, younger people.

"My teenage kids aren't involved in lifesaving, but I meet a lot who are. I enjoy seeing their potential as lifesavers and that of the whole mix of interesting people involved."

"We take safety seriously but being a volunteer lifesaver is still fun with the relationships and friendships you make while doing something valuable for the community."



BCH Inverloch Fundraising Auxiliary members Klaus Edel (left) and Terry Hall serve Bass Coast Health nurse Jane Ori at the staff barbecue at Wonthaggi Hospital.

'Dangerous, windy' road now safer for heavy vehicles

AN ALMOST 1km-long stretch of the Grantville Glen Alvie Road is easier and safer for heavy vehicle drivers to negotiate after the completion of a Bass Coast Shire Council managed, state government funded project.

The improved section of road will better cater for vehicles transporting beef, wool and other farm produce.

The more than \$1.1 million of funding came through two state government departments - Agriculture Victoria and the Department of Transport.

Minister for Agriculture Mary-Anne Thomas and Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale met with Bass Coast Shire Mayor Cr Michael Whelan, Cr Clare Le Serve and council CEO Ali Wastie alongside the new road section on Tuesday, May 10, to officially declare its completion.

The state government's AgriLinks Upgrade Program, which supports local governments in improving roads used by farmers and heavy vehicles, provided \$350,000 in funding.

And while the program is intended to reduce travel times and better connect country roads to major transport routes, the new 940-metre section of bitumen will most importantly improve safety.



Bass Coast Shire Mayor Cr Michael Whelan, Cr Clare Le Serve, Minister for Agriculture Mary-Anne Thomas, Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale and Bass Coast Shire Council CEO Ali Wastie stand by the newly upgraded section of Grantville Glen Alvie Road. A03_2022

"It's a vital link and it was terribly dangerous due to its winding nature and uneven road surface," Cr Le Serve said.

Minister Thomas spoke of the importance of supporting primary producers and improving road infrastructure used to transport their goods.

"AgriLinks is about getting food to market safely and more efficiently," she said.

Ms Crugnale emphasised the importance of Bass Coast

and South Gippsland Shires in supplying food and the value of support through AgriLinks.

"Agriculture is part of the character of Bass Coast and it really is important," Cr Whelan said, explaining council's decision to pursue the Grantville Glen Alvie Road Heavy Vehicle Access Improvement Project and apply for state government funding to bring it to fruition.

"The delivery of the Agri-

links Upgrade Program will support our farmers and provide safer roads for all users," Cr Whelan said.

The AgriLinks Upgrade Program is a \$20 million initiative.

While the program was the major focus at Tuesday's gathering, the majority of the funding for the upgraded section of Grantville Glen Alvie Road came through the state government's Department of Transport.

I LOVE MY CAR... Phil's '72 Holden Torana

FOR Phil Slater, his 1972 Holden Torana GTR XU-1 is one of his greatest loves.

"I had one when I was younger, but it was stolen. I've had her for just over 20 years now," Phil explained.

"A friend of a friend had one, and wanted to sell it. I heard about it, so brought it."

And Phil hasn't looked back.

Dublin Green in colour, the Torana has been resprayed - retaining its original colour. Like all older beauties, the car has required constant attention with little things fixed here and there by Phil after the initial restoration 16 years ago.

"It's very fast. She handles well but is not very comfortable," Phil laughed.



Phil Slater had a Holden Torana when he was younger before it was stolen. C22_1122

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Chris Flynn's mammoth story



Chris Flynn with Trudy Banks of Paperplay Inverloch.

LOCAL author Chris Flynn delighted those attending the recent Friends of Inverloch Library's author night.

Chris is the author of several books but spoke mostly of his two latest books, *Mammoth*, and his very recent children's book, *Horridus*. Both books focus on dinosaurs – but through very different lenses.

Comments on his work by various authors and critics are invariably most positive, all celebrating his work and inviting the reader to enter his world of wit and imaginative storytelling.

Chris took the audience through the various stages of book-writing and of his own life as a writer.

He told of the work that he has been involved in with

dinosaur research and of his role as Editor-in-Residence at Museums Victoria.

As with all FOIL evenings, there was a raffle with one of the author's books and the opportunity to purchase a book and have it signed by the author.

Organisers are most appreciative of Trudy Banks from the local newsagent Paperplay who facilitates purchase of books on the night and afterwards at the store.

FOIL is looking forward to bringing to Inverloch Lorraine Smith to present 'Journey of a Lost Manuscript' on May 17 at 2pm – a free event, and Paul Kennedy - ABC Sports to present his book 'Funky Town' on July 29. Booking details to come.



Diving into the world of books

"I LOVE books. I read a lot – talk and listen," Kate Taylor of Inverloch says.

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A prisoner is locked in a cell with no windows, so how did he escape? A book!

The all-new book club at Inverloch Library is the perfect escape.

An opportunity to meet friends, old and new, discuss literature and enjoy a warm mug of tea (or coffee).

And the best part is, you don't have to read the same book.

Book Chat is the brainchild of Myli Inverloch. Last Wednesday, Myli Inverloch programs officer Heather, and Kate, brought along their recent reads.

The Bird in the Bamboo Cage

Inspired by true events, *The Bird in the Bamboo Cage* by Hazel Gaynor is an unforgettable story of the life-changing bonds formed between a young girl and her teacher, in a remote corner of a terrible war.

56 Days

Available on audiobook and in print, *56 Days* by Catherine Ryan Howard was up next. A brilliantly claustrophobic and twisty thriller from the critically acclaimed author of *The Nothing Man*.

Can they determine what really happened, or has lockdown created an opportunity for someone to commit the perfect crime?

"A good thriller, it's very clever in its writing," Heather explained.

Unforgiven

Written by Sarah Barrie, it tells the story of Lexi Winter.

Once a victim, she's now a vigilante.

Lexi is tough, street-smart and has stood on her own two feet since childhood, when she was a victim of a notorious paedophile.

Lexi is also an ace hacker, tracking and entrapping local paedophiles and reporting them to the police.

When she finds a particularly dangerous paedophile who the police can't touch, she decides to gather enough evidence to put him away.

"A few twists – a page turner," Heather explains when discussing *Unforgiven*, although it's not a book for everyone.

American Dirt

Controversial in its own right, *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins explores the escape to America of Lydia and her son, Luca, after her journalist husband's drug lord expose is released.

Other books

This Is Not A Book About Benedict Cumberbatch by Tabitha Carvan explores the joy of loving something – anything – like your life depends on it.

For Heather, it was quite funny and light.

Vandemonians by Janet McCalman is a recent read of Kate's, alongside *In Tasmania* by Nicholas Shakespeare and *Farmers* or *Hunter-Gathers* by Peter Sutton and Keryn Walshe.

Book Chat is on June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9 and December 14 for 2022, commencing at 2pm in Inverloch Library.

Bookmarking your library with Interchange

ONE of the great things about community organisations is how they work together for the good of the communities they serve, and a really good example of this can currently be found at Wonthaggi Library.

Interchange Gippsland provides great support for people with disabilities, and the Wonthaggi branch of Interchange Gippsland visit Wonthaggi every week for a great, fun session with library officer Sabine.

"It is one of the highlights of my week," Sabine says.

"They are some of the loveliest people around, and the sound of their laughter makes everyone feel good."

And it works both ways.

"It is one of the highlights for us, too," says Harriet Nunan, program coordination assistant with Interchange Gippsland.

"It provides opportunities for engagement with the community through the exciting activities that Sabine organises."

As a mark of their appreciation, Interchange Gippsland participants decided to make bookmarks for the library, and they are



Myli library and patron experience team member Sabine takes delivery of the first batch of very special bookmarks.

now at the library and available for any library patron, or would be library patron, who would like one!

"They are really lovely, and there are as many different designs as there are Interchange Gippsland patrons," says Sabine, holding up a brightly coloured bookmark as proof.

"And they are free to anyone who would like one."

Wonthaggi Library is a part of My Community Library, which serves the Bass

Coast, South Gippsland and Baw Baw Shires, and the Interchange Gippsland bookmarks put the focus very much on the community part of the organisation's name.

So, get down to Wonthaggi library and get a free bookmark now!

RIGHT: Interchange Gippsland patron Mark with some of the bookmarks they've made for the library.



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Mark has been a musician since he was 16, playing percussion while performing in a band with his brothers.

The natural progression into becoming a DJ came through a desire to connect with people and bring joy to people's special days.

"I love to interact with the audience, share their special moments and ensure they enjoy their unique celebration," Mark said.

DJ Marco also offers sound systems, lighting, MCing and karaoke at parties, birthdays, engagements, weddings, private and public functions.

Mark, who relocated to South Gippsland three years ago, said he wanted to start performing more across Gippsland, after spending 20 years in the industry across Melbourne and Sydney.

"I really want to bring my music and talent to this area," he said.

DJ Marco plays any type of music you want, including pop, RnB, disco, '70s, '80s, '90s and modern, as well as live sets by local singers Beth Morgan and Monica Ulyatt.

Beth is also a professional flutist and Monica plays the piano.

"My music is diverse, and can be personalised to any occasion," Mark said.

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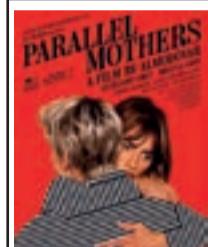
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Ian, Jess, Jamie (behind) and Jesse of Interchange Wonthaggi share a hearty bowl of soup on a visit to Inverloch. C05_2022



Brodie and Raymond of Interchange Wonthaggi delight in the delicious soup during Neighbourhood House Week at Inverloch. C06_2022



Mycalie and Mark of Interchange Wonthaggi stop by the Inverloch Community House Soup Café on Tuesday. C07_2022



Year 4 students Ruby Pedersen and Charlie Ambler represented Newhaven College as tour guides, welcoming Arden, Kade and Nate Manks. Z01_2022



Denis Buckland of Inverloch, Ian Liddle of Wonthaggi and Barry Wright of Inverloch share stories and catch up over a bowl of soup. C08_2022



Ash and Wendy of Interchange Wonthaggi enjoy a warm bowl of hearty soup in celebration of Neighbourhood House Week in Inverloch. C09_2022



Georgia and Peter of Interchange Wonthaggi share a smile and bowl of soup at Inverloch on Tuesday. C10_2022



Thomas Renahan of Baxter and grandmother Sue of Wonthaggi checked out the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival for the first time after seeing an advertisement in the Sentinel-Times. A30_2022



Marg and Trevor Key of Inverloch enjoy their first visit to the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival. Marg enjoys knitting and crochet and found inspiration to enter the competition in future. A31_2022

Snapped Out

Pictures of you and your friends at Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival, Newhaven College open day and alumni reunion, and Neighbourhood House Week at Inverloch.



Year 4 students Ella Herbert and McHaffie house captain Frankie Leary welcomed families and future students to Newhaven College. Z02_2022



One of those who started the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival in 2013, Heather Gibson this year assisted judge Robyn Lauder, with the pair taking a well-earned break. A35_2022



Drouin's Shirley Hansen and Suzanne Darley at the Tea Cosy Festival. A34_2022



Year 8 McHaffie house captain Tilly Stecher and Bass house captain Tommy Newman represented Newhaven College middle school, guiding families through the campus. Z03_2022



Newhaven College librarians Sheila John and Jackie Clark guide parents through the library learning space. Z04_2022



Samantha Rogers and Lynn Missen of Sams Patch in Foster operated a stall at the Tea Cosy Festival. They sell wool, fabric, and possum knitwear. A32_2022



Deborah O'Connor, Jenny Tomkins and Sandra Hyde enjoy the Tea Cosy Festival in which Sandra has a couple of entries. A33_2022



Former head of student support services Moragh Tyler attended the alumni reunion on Saturday morning, meeting up with college board chair David Jobe. Z05_2022

'To Australia They Came' launches at Outtrim

OUTTRIM came alive with Everitt family descendants from all over Victoria and interstate on Sunday, April 3, when the third Everitt Family reunion was held at the Outtrim Reserve.

James Radburn, the father of Gertrude Everitt, was the policeman in charge at Outtrim and lived there from 1898 until 1906 during the coal mining boom at the Outtrim and Jumbunna coal mines.

Constable Radburn endured tough working conditions in maintaining law and order during the famous coal miners strikes when outside labour was requisitioned by the Victorian State Government to work in the mines.

At the reunion local historian Neil Everitt, launched his 160-page book 'To Australia They Came', the history of the Everitt family dating back to English convict Luke Everitt who was sentenced to seven years transportation to Australia, arriving as a 16-year-old in Sydney, 1830 on the convict ship "Marquis of Huntley".

Eleven years later, after working in custody for several 'masters', he was released as a free man.

Luke married Irish Bounty immigrant, Catherine Considine and moved to the Murray River region where he was one of the first settlers at Albury and become a successful carpenter and landholder.

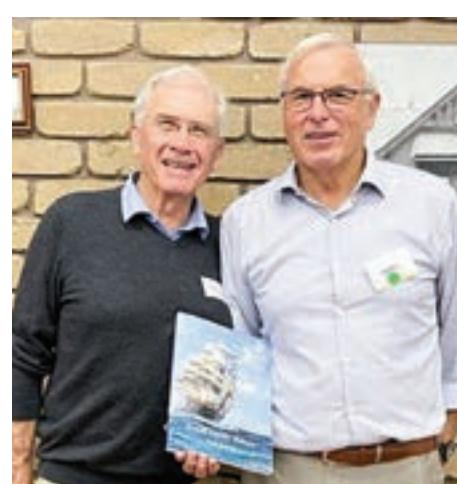
His oldest daughter Mary Ann and husband George Darby owned several hotels in Albury including the well-known Globe Hotel.

A descendant of Luke, Sam Everitt, arrived in Outtrim in 1900 looking for work in the mines but instead he obtained work in the local grocery store where he met and wed the policeman's daughter, Gertrude Radburn.

In 1904 Sam and Gertrude Everitt selected land high up in the Strzelecki 'heart break hills' on Grand Ridge Road.

In the initial years they cleared the dense forest to establish a small dairy farm.

In 1906 James Radburn resigned from the police force at Outtrim and he too selected land at Ryton alongside his daughter and son-in-law.



Neil Everitt, Inverloch, (right) with his cousin Bill Sweeney, Leongatha North, both descendants of convict Luke Everitt, at the Outtrim launch of Neil's 160-page book 'To Australia They Came'.

Whilst farming at Ryton James Radburn was elected a Morwell Shire Councillor, representing the Gunyah and Ryton residents in the southernmost part of the Morwell Shire.

After battling the dense forest and continually wet conditions for a decade, along with poor soil, bush fires, erosion, inferior roads, and depressed butterfat prices, Sam and Gertrude, like many of the early settlers there, walked off their land.

In the ensuing years they moved closer to the coast living on rented farms until they finally retired at Toora where they lived for several years until Sam passed away in 1951.

Gertrude continued living in Toora until she passed away at age 94 in 1974.

Sam and Gertrude raised twelve children whilst living in the rugged hills and many of their family still live in South Gippsland.

James Radburn sold his farm at Ryton in 1921 moving to Daylesford to reside for a few years before returning to Gippsland and living at Leongatha with his daughter Amy Steele and family prior to his death in 1940.

Lucky winners take home prizes

LEONGATHA Community House runs a wide range of programs for local people, with a recent raffle raising funds to help it continue doing so at affordable prices.

"We do a lot of social inclusion programs," coordinator Maddison Redpath said.

The variety of programs ensures there are opportunities for everyone, from children through to seniors.

Exercise programs and craft are a couple of the areas in which the community house provides activities, with the cost for participants kept to a minimum.

Volunteers play an important role in ensuring the successful operation of the community house and organised the raffle drawn earlier this year.

Each of the two lucky winners received an Easter basket.

"A lovely lady, Heather, who does one of our craft groups, knitted two bunnies that went into one of our Easter baskets," Maddison said.



Hector Velez was one of the Leongatha Community House raffle winners.



Welcome, Nola!

WONTHAGGI INVERLOCH Probus welcomed new member Nola Thorpe at a recent meeting. Nola is pictured with president Neil Barnes and new members officer, Dorothy Fitzgerald.

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Super for a house deposit

THE federal government announced its Super Home Buyer Scheme at the weekend, which would see first home buyers be able to invest up to 40 per cent of their superannuation - up to a maximum of \$50,000 - to help with the purchase of their first home.

The scheme would apply to both new and existing homes with the invested amount to be returned to their superannuation fund when the house is sold, including a share of any capital gain.

Prime Minister Scott Morrison said supporting first home buyers was a key part of the federal government's plan.

"Our plan for the future is focused on supporting more Australians to realise their dream of home ownership," the Prime Minister said.

"Super should be harnessed to support the aspiration of many thousands of families who want to buy a home."

"Our plan makes it easier for first home buyers to save for a deposit, reducing the time people need to pay rent, and also means a smaller mortgage with less debt and smaller repayments."

"It's a plan that gets the balance right - it utilises money that's currently locked away to transform a family's life, with the money



Prime Minister Scott Morrison announced the Super Home Buyer Scheme at the Liberal Party campaign launch in Brisbane on Sunday, May 15. Photo: AAP Image/Mick Tsikas.

then responsibly returned to the superfund at the time of home's sale."

Assistant Treasurer and Minister for Housing Michael Sukkar said the Super Home Buyer Scheme would be a gamechanger for aspirational Australians and provide hope and opportunity to first home buyers.

"By allowing people to access their super and buy a house, we are providing the opportunity to turn that dream of home ownership

a reality," Minister Sukkar said.

"Allowing your super to work for you to purchase your first home and then being returned to your super at a later date achieves the best of both worlds - home ownership and retirement security."

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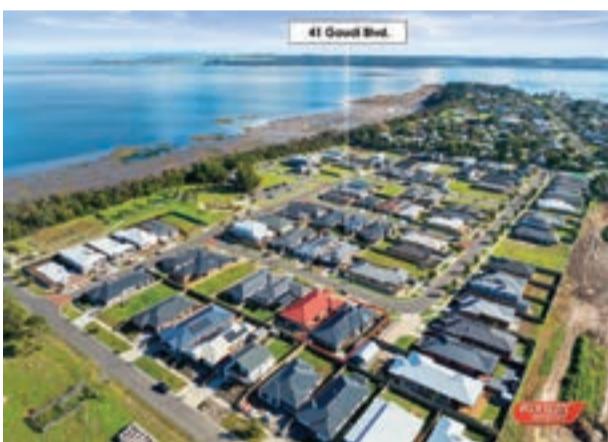
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There is a large, tiled ensuite plus the master bathroom with separate bath and shower that's hardly been used over the years and is in excellent condition.

The kitchen boasts good storage, gas cooking, a breakfast bench and is well-appointed to the open plan dining and living area.

There is new flooring and fresh paint throughout, ducted natural gas heating and R/C air conditioning plus solar panels.

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The property is perfectly positioned on an approximately 521sqm block of residential land within a short walking distance to the famous Fig and The Bay café, stunning foreshore and the renowned coastal walking tracks.

The net-zero carbon home includes the benefits of double-glazed windows and doors, insulated ceiling and external walls/internal walls of the wet areas, 5Kw solar system with a 4Kw battery backup, solar hot water with LPG gas booster and LED downlights throughout the home.

As you enter the house, you are greeted with a wide hallway and stand out matt grey tiles which draw your eyes towards the decked entertaining area.

To the left is the master bedroom featuring plantation shutters, ceiling fan, large walk-in robe and a user-friendly ensuite with a double vanity, large shower and a separate toilet.

Further down the hallway, past the oversized double car garage access, is the open plan kitchen/living area complete with reverse cycle air conditioning and ceiling fan.

The streamlined kitchen consists of stunning stone benchtops, quality appliances - DeLonghi 900mm five-burner gas cooktop with electric oven, dishwasher, large island bench with under lighting and built-in bin draw.

The walk-through butler's pantry is well-designed with ample shelving and bench space, followed by the

laundry with floor to ceiling storage and access into the side yard.

To the rear of the home is the remaining three bedrooms with floor to ceiling built-in robes. One of the rooms has been extended to create either a larger bedroom space or a third living area for the kids to play.

The second bathroom, with its own bath, completes this end of the home and is designed with the same matt grey tiles, quality fittings and fixtures and a separate toilet.

The central feature of the home is the enclosed deck, set on a concrete slab and dressed in Merbau decking which flows out into the yard to the pergola.

The double-glazed stacker doors provide a seamless combination of indoor/outdoor living and is the perfect area to entertain with the built-in cabinetry, TV point and ceiling fan.

The area can be completely closed with another set of stacker doors opening to the pergola.

Externally, the property features exposed aggregate driveway with a complete and established front garden, low maintenance artificial turf, raised garden beds, two garden sheds, paved barbecue area, four outdoor double power points, downlights in the eaves at the front and side with four outdoor coastal-rated spotlights.

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SOLD

Contact: Wonthaggi Office

LEONGATHA



LOCH



CORINELLA



CAPE PATERSON



**SOLD
ANOTHER REQUIRED**

10 Bazley Street

- As new home 4 bed, 2 bath, 2 car
- 350m walk to CBD
- 1/4 acre block

\$650,000

Contact: Leongatha Office

6430A South Gippsland Highway

- Genuine Vendors moving on, offers invited
- Dual occupancy on 4.94 acres, pool
- Fantastic shedding, studio, B & B potential

\$1,300,000 - \$1,350,000

Contact: Korumburra Office

6 Kilburn Street

- 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom, 1 car
- Renovators delight
- Massive 1025m² block

\$550,000-\$580,000

Contact: Grantville Office

46 Scenic Road

- Sitting high and mighty
- 2 living, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms
- Excellent potential

Under Contract

Contact: Wonthaggi Office

LEONGATHA



LANG LANG



GRANTVILLE



LANCE CREEK



**SOLD
ANOTHER REQUIRED**

11 Royal Place

- 1033m² House block
- Shinglers Ridge Estate
- Great rural aspect

\$265,000

Contact: Leongatha Office

7 Rosebury Street

- Character filled 2 BR home on 735m² block
- Walk to shops, rear lane access
- First home or invest, develop later (STCA)

\$525,000-\$545,000

Contact: Korumburra Office

5 Deep Creek Street

- 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom, 2 car
- Immaculate family home
- 100m from the beach

\$695,000

Contact: Grantville Office

1940 Korumburra Road

- What a chance to buy a lifestyle
- Old farm house in need of TLC
- Nearly 10 acres of rolling hills

Under Contract

Contact: Wonthaggi Office

MARDAN



NYORA



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**SOLD
ANOTHER REQUIRED**

1300 Mardan Road

- 3 bedroom homestead on 35 acres
- Various shedding including bungalow
- Privacy and stunning views

\$1,250,000

Contact: Leongatha Office

5 Lang Lang-Poowong Road

- 4 BRs plus study, ensuite, 3 living areas
- 10 acres of flat to slightly sloping land
- Chook shed, stock yards & horse arena

\$1,399,000 - \$1,490,000

Contact: Korumburra Office

600 Yannathan Road

- 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom, 6 car
- 10 acre oasis
- Family home with water views

\$1,290,000

Contact: Grantville Office

45 Oates Road

- 2 acres close to town
- Quality built homestead style
- Great dam, Huge shedding

Under Contract

Contact: Wonthaggi Office

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Andrew Newton 0402 940 320
Peter Dwyer 0428 855 244

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5655 1133
36 Bridge Street

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Scott McKenzie 0427 552 898

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Greg Kane 0477 020 267
Nathan Cleland 0497 114 568
Emily Clifford 0422 622 299

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Cnr Murray & Billson Streets

Dan Huther 0418 334 801
Cal Nation 0439 334 163
Mick Chambers 0418 349 783
Phil Hanley 0417 140 508



QUIZ: Who wants to be a Squillionaire?

AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL QUIZ

- [\$100] Which of these was not a Federal Election year?
A. 2019. B. 2013. C. 2007. D. 1995.
- [\$200] In which state is Clive Palmer running for the Senate?
A. South Australia. B. Northern Territory. C. WA. D. Queensland.
- [\$300] What did Gippsland MP Darren Chester do for a job before politics?
A. Teacher. B. Lawyer. C. Journalist. D. Accountant.
- [\$500] They say if you want a friend in politics, get a dog but what is the name of Albo's dog? A. Shadow. B. Toto. C. Scooby. D. Marley.
- [\$1000] What is the name of Scott Morrison's dog? A. Major. B. Buddy. C. Charlie. D. Dilyn.
- [\$2000] Why did the Member for Kennedy Bob Katter consider getting rid of his trademark Akubra hats?
A. They're made overseas. B. Pool hats are made locally. C. Akubra stopped using local rabbit fur. D. Akubra took a stance against live exports.
- [\$4000] Why did Senator Penny Wong stop studying medicine at Adelaide University? A. She failed her first year. B. She couldn't stand the sight of blood. C. She couldn't afford to study. D. She declined to participate in dissection.
- [\$8000] Which candidate for Monash is a fitter and turner? A. Christine McShane. B. Russell Broadbent. C. Allan Hicken. D. David Welsh.
- [\$16,000] In which city was Australia's first parliament held? A. Adelaide. B. Bathurst. C. Sydney. D. Melbourne.
- [\$32,000] Who was the first serving American president to visit Australia?
A. Lyndon B. Johnson. B. John F Kennedy. C. Jimmy Carter. D. Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- [\$64,000] The 24th Australian Prime Minister, Paul Keating, had a sharp tongue, how, for example, did he dismiss Asian countries?
A. Too much rice. B. Places you fly over to get to Europe. C. Their rickshaws are overpriced. D. They need to speak English.
- [\$125,000] Australia's 16th Prime Minister, Ben Chifley, who headed the country from 1945 until 1949, was noted for his stamina, why?
A. Could speak for hours. B. Completed 10 marathons. C. Once walked around Australia backwards. D. Had affairs with three partners at the one time.
- [\$250,000] "Life was not meant to be easy" is a famous quote by the then future Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser but which well-known author coined the phrase? A. Samuel Taylor Coleridge. B. William Shakespeare. C. George Bernard Shaw. D. Dr Seuss.
- [\$500,000] What was the name of the 14th Australian Prime Minister who spent a short time in jail before entering politics? A. Arthur Fadden. B. John Curtin. C. Earle Page. D. Francis Forde.
- [\$1,000,000] Which Australian Prime Minister served the shortest term?
A. John McEwen. B. Earle Page. C. Frank Forde. D. Arthur Fadden.

Quiz answers: 1. D. 1995. 2. D. Queensland. 3. C. 4. B. Toto. 5. B. Buddy. 6. C. Akubra stopped using local rabbit fur. 7. B. She couldn't stand the sight of blood. 8. C. Allan Hicken. 9. D. Melbourne. 10. A. Lyndon McEwen 22 days, Arthur Fadden 40 days. 11. C. Frank Forde 8 days. (Early PEEF 19 days, John Gorton 15 days, B. John Curtin (anti-conscription) 16 days, C. Frank Forde 8 days, (Early PEEF 19 days, John Gorton 15 days, C. Frank Forde 8 days, Arthur Fadden 40 days). 12. D. Had affairs with three partners at the one time. 13. C. George Bernard Shaw. 14. B. John Curtin (anti-conscription) 15 days, C. Frank Forde 8 days, Arthur Fadden 40 days). 15. B. Places you fly over to get to Europe. 12. D. John Curtin. 16. C. Earle Page. 17. B. John Curtin. 18. D. Frank Forde. 19. C. George Bernard Shaw. 20. A. Arthur Fadden. 21. D. Frank Forde. 22. B. John Curtin. 23. C. Earle Page. 24. D. Frank Forde. 25. A. Arthur Fadden. 26. B. John Curtin. 27. C. Earle Page. 28. D. Frank Forde. 29. A. Arthur Fadden. 30. B. John Curtin. 31. C. Earle Page. 32. D. Frank Forde.

QUICK CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Habits
- Capital of Norway
- Region
- Swamp
- River sediment
- City in Ohio
- Egyptian paper (plr.)
- Incorporated (abbr.)
- Issue
- Fine porcelain
- Cooking fat
- Ate like a cow
- Small egg
- Give
- Gentlewoman
- Streetcar
- Killed
- A few

DOWN

- Hornet
- Opera solo
- Bark
- Half men, half goats
- Tree
- Asian country
- Diving birds
- Liquid measurement
- Goods deliver
- Ruby (2 wds.)
- Makes into law
- Ruins
- Contend
- Evade
- Nix
- Swiss-like cheese
- Districts of ancient Attica
- Rule

SUDOKU

Level: Medium



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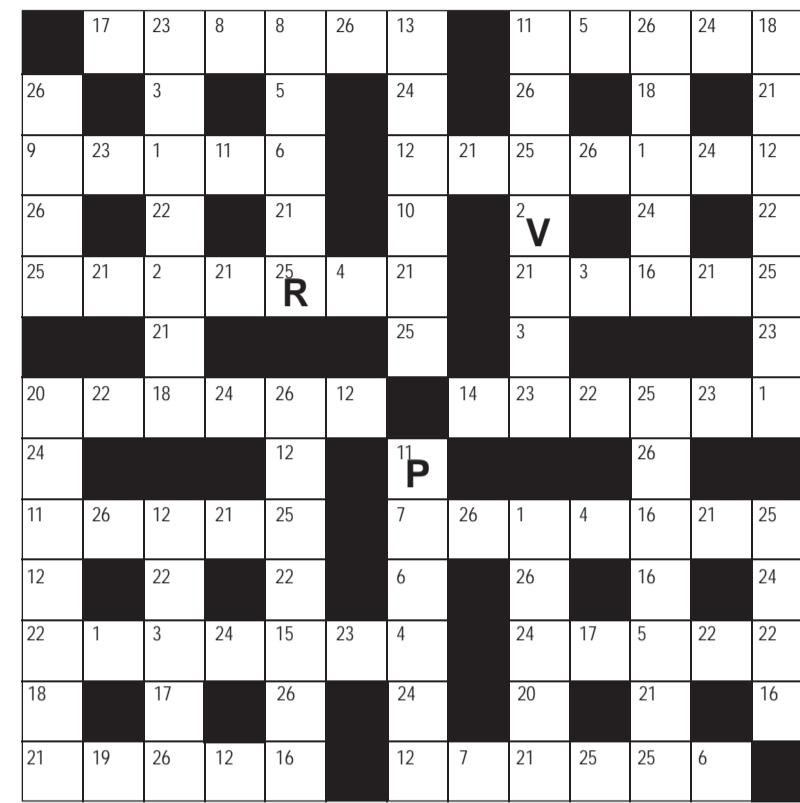
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Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26.

Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once.

Three letters are already in place to get you started.



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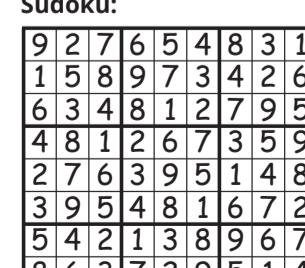


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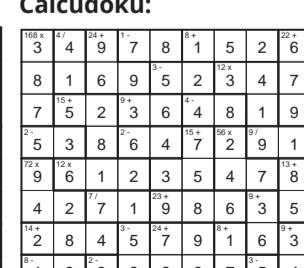
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5 letter words: LINGO

6 letter words: LOPING, OILING, PILING, RILING

7 letter words: LIMPING, PILGRIM

9 Letter word: IMPLORING

Word ladder:

HOLES

HELPS

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LEAPS

PANEL

PLATE



Tarwin Landcare Group saw the beginnings of the 10-acre wetland that members Cath Nunn and Dave Winchester are creating at Tarwin Lower.

Wetland taking shape

THIRTY members of Tarwin Landcare Group (TLG) gathered at Cath Nunn and Dave Winchester's property at Tarwin Lower recently to see the first stages of an ambitious environmental project.

With help from ecologist David Carew, also a TLG member, Cath and Dave are transforming 10 acres of flood-prone pasture into a wetland.

It's a mammoth undertaking involving huge amounts of earthmoving, weed control and revegetation but the recent appearance of frogs, Cape Barren geese and black swans indicates it will be a success.

The group was able to walk over the site which is still very much in its initial stages.

Protecting the natural landform with gentle gradients, to enable shallow flooding, is a key aim of the initial works. David explained the importance of surveying the land, and accessing available data, to determine the expected flood and sea levels before starting any work.

This helps determine the location and size of weirs, swales and channels which are designed to allow the

By Tarwin Landcare Group

land to both inundate and dry out according to the season.

The installation of a weir will deliver a natural seasonal hydrology and the conditions suitable for a grassy sedgeland vegetation community.

Cath said that as the land had been grazed for more than 150 years, it contains a large seed bank of exotic grasses and weeds which have been physically removed and requires hours of spraying. Surprisingly, however, many desirable native species have begun to emerge now that stock have been excluded from the area.

While this complicates weed control, it indicates that parts of the site will regenerate naturally, reducing the amount of replanting required.

After the walk to the wetlands, the group enjoyed a delicious barbecue lunch.

Committee member Kirby Leary then gave a fascinating presentation about koalas.

She explained that we can use the unique pigmentation patterns found in a koala's nostrils from birth to

identify and track an individual throughout its life.

She also said that unlike all other animals except whales and humans, female koalas continue to live for some time after they lose the ability to reproduce.

Scientists believe that this has evolved because of the important role played by grandmothers within familial groups in each species.

With 80 per cent of Australia's remaining koalas found on private property, it is up to us to do everything we can to protect this unique species. As koalas are unable to regulate their body temperatures, Kirby suggested placing bowls of water under trees or gently spraying koalas with the hose in hot weather.

Planting trees and shrubs for food and shelter, providing safe passage on farms to protect koalas from cattle and driving slowly (especially at night) are also advised.

Tarwin Landcare Group aims to get together every two months, often at a member's property.

New members are always welcome. Contact Ray Saunders at tarray49@gmail.com.

Fine for dairy effluent spill

EPA Victoria has fined a South Gippsland landholder \$1817 over a spill of dairy effluent that flowed through a neighbouring property and into a creek.

EPA officers alleged the property's two-pond effluent management system appeared to have been left without desludging for some years.

"The sludge had finally been excavated and then left by the side of the ponds," the EPA said.

"The land was steep, and rain sent the sludge flowing down the hill, across paddocks, through a neighbouring property and into the nearby creek.

"Since the spill, EPA officers have inspected the property several times, pro-

vided compliance advice to the landholder, and required proper maintenance and upgrades to the effluent system.

"The landholder has been fined for an infringement for the unlawful deposit of effluent waste under Section 115(4) of the Environment Protection Act 2017.

Under the Environment Protection Act and the Infringements Act 2006, the operator has the right to have the infringement notice reviewed or be considered by a court.

Members of the public can report pollution by calling EPA's 24-hour hotline on 1300 EPA VIC (1300 372 842) or online at epa.vic.gov.au/report-pollution-reporting-pollution.

Not enough for agriculture: VFF

comded the below funding for Victorian agriculture:

- \$12 million for a research glasshouse complex and incubation hub at the Horsham Grains Innovation Precinct.

- \$1.9 million community pest and weed management, joint emergency exercises for biosecurity incursions and other activities.

- \$1.4 million to support farm business and communities to undertake drought specific climate change adaptation activities.

"Agriculture plays a vital role in keeping Victoria's economy moving and the investment in the services and infrastructure we need and deserve is totally underwhelming," she said.

"Farmers have helped to keep Victoria alive through the pandemic and now that we are approaching the other side, we can't be treated as an afterthought."

However, the VFF wel-

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Improving on-farm energy savings

MINISTER for Agriculture Mary-Anne Thomas recently visited Austong International, a poultry farm in Lang Lang, which received a \$29,250 grant through the state government's Agriculture Energy Investment Plan (AEIP).

The business used the grant to upgrade a refrigeration system for the 'Daily Fresh Eggs' business, where they produce eggs each day for supermarkets.

The new system is expected to generate up to \$6169 in on-farm energy savings per annum.

Since its establishment in 2018, the AEIP has provided free, on-farm energy assessments, a grants program, research, and demonstrations of energy-efficient technology to support



Lang Lang poultry farm Austong International received an almost \$30,000 grant through the state government's Agriculture Energy Investment Plan.

farm businesses.

This investment has provided guidance for farm businesses to improve energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the government said.

The Agriculture Energy Investment Plan is part of the government's 10-year Agriculture Strategy.

For more information about the Agriculture Energy Investment Plan, visit agriculture.vic.gov.au.

CLEARING SALE

**Saturday, May 28, 2022
at 10am**

A/c - Agri Pastoral

315 Korumburra-Warragul Rd, Korumburra

Massey Ferguson 275 4WD tractor 2770hrs, Fendt FW158 2WD tractor, John Deere 535 baler, Munro post driver (brand new), Hyd. Log splitter as new, 8T Marshall belt spreader, Great Wall 4x4 manual ute 76,250km, Yamaha TTR 90 2004, Mitsubishi 4x4 manual single cab 86,000km, ARGO 6x6, 400L quick spray unit, Masport ride on lawn mower 58hrs, Honda 420 4x4 130hrs, 4x4 trailer with crate, 8x5 trailer with crate, 38T silo, Oxygen generator, Silvan 800L spray unit, 400L Solo spray unit, 5FT slasher, 24KVA diesel generator, 3.6KVA generator, McDonald roller, Ajax irrigation pump, Davey diesel pump, Hyd. motorbike lift, dual wheels to suit Massey Ferguson, auto air compressor, battery chargers, 50 teat calf feeder, golf cart, 2 x horse saddles, 2 x Gypsy Cob x quarter horse geldings 18 mths, 200 x 5kg bags organic fertiliser, 300 x 1L organic concentrate liquid fertiliser, house doors, 2 piano/pianola, pool table.

AGENTS COMMENTS: All of the above items are presented in excellent condition and are fully maintained with service history available.

OUTSIDE VENDORS:

A/c - K. Whyte - 0478 218 052 - 1985 Mitsubishi bogie tipper truck 6m body 730,000km, Hyundai 21T excavator tilt mud bucket & GP bucket, 30T grab with 20T hitch, Kverneland TA750 single rotor hay rake, 8' heavy duty grader blade, Hardi 600L spray unit.

A/c - W.C. & L.D. Van Eck - 0427 544 758 - Massey Ferguson 5455 4x4 FEL tractor 110HP 4300hrs forks & bucket tyres 90%, Boomerang trailing feedout cart, Krone easy cut 320 7 disc hay mower, 600L Hardi boom spray 3PL, Polymaster molasses lickar drum, front end loader 4 spike hay forks euro hitch.

Outside Vendors Welcome

Refreshments available, Buyers I.D. required, number system will operate, no buyer premium. Terms: Card, cash or cheque day of sale unless prior arrangements are made.

GST Applicable

Listing & photos on website:
www.alexscott.com.au or Facebook:
Alex Scott & Staff - Livestock



**Vendor: John 0418 569 386
Jake Anthony 0467 297 794
Jason Fry 0407 295 909**

PRELIMINARY NOTICE CLEARING SALE

**Small Farming
Equipment & Antiques
Friday, June 3
at 10.00am**

A/c - Kent Fisher - KONGWAK

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Alan Bolding 0419 723 255

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LARDNER PARK BI-MONTHLY DAIRY SALE

An established regular market for all classes of dairy cattle held on the 1st & 3rd Friday of every month

**Friday, May 20
at 11am**

A/c - M.R & E.J Trotter - Leongatha South Complete Dispersal Sale

42 - PTIC Spring calving 1st - 3rd lactation Aussie Red, Fleckvieh, Jersey & Holstein cross cows. 30 Due to calve from 1st August to A.I. Aussie Red (Onstad P sexed & Foske) or Fleckvieh (Happiness & Devil P). 12 in calf to Aussie Red & beef

25 - Holstein Jersey cross heifers from above herd PTIC to calve August/ September to Angus & Speckle Park bulls

A/c - I & E Accardi Relinquishing

Dairying

5 - Close Springing A.I Bred young Holstein cows, calving to Angus bull.

ATTENTION FARMERS

Due to limited pen space ALL cattle must be booked in with your agent prior to the sale

Following Dairy Sale: Friday, June 3

5623 4744

Terry Ahearn
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0418 595 265

5941 0299

Darryl Adams
0408 385 872
Michael Robertson
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MARKET REPORT

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CLAAS Harvest Centre

Leongatha Prime Sale on Wed, May 11, 2022

Bullocks

1 Von Pace Pastoral P/L	580.0	520.0	3,016
4 Littlejohn N & Son Mirboo Nth	701.3	511.6	3,587
10 McRae PF & VA West Creek	630.0	509.6	3,210
13 Van Kuyk PM & AK			
Wonga Wonga	565.8	508.6	2,877
15 Nuntin Pines Stratford	693.7	508.0	3,523
6 Page NW Munro	589.2	507.6	2,990

Steers

1 Johnson TK & MA & Sons			
Ferndale	460.0	610.0	2,806
1 Dunne J Hazelwood	455.0	610.0	2,775
1 Von Pace Pastoral P/L	510.0	610.0	3,111
1 Jenkin S Korumburra	375.0	609.6	2,286
13 Pocklington SG&DL Dumbalk	431.2	608.6	2,624
1 Jenkin S Korumburra	350.0	605.6	2,119

Heifers

1 Reiske RG AM & CA Boolarra	390.0	592.0	2,308
1 Olsen RL Poowong East	465.0	580.0	2,697
1 GT And C Cummaudo & Sons			
Thorpdale	340.0	570.0	1,938
5 Jenkin S Korumburra	317.0	570.0	1,806
3 Nimmitybel P Co Jethro	386.7	560.0	2,165
1 Storti S & L Kongwak	380.0	548.2	2,083

Cows

1 Storti S & L Kongwak	515.0	443.6	2,284
2 Campkin Smith M			
Leongatha South	530.0	420.0	2,226
7 Dunbar JW & BJ Traralgon	472.9	391.6	1,851
6 Donat R & C Wonthaggi	630.0	380.0	2,394
1 Storti S & L Kongwak	625.0	380.0	2,375
1 Churchill GG & SLY DS			
Kilcunda	580.0	380.0	2,204

Bulls

1 Edis R & L Wonyip	745.0	371.6	2,768
1 Riley A Hallston	630.0	365.6	2,303
1 Latrobe Park Angus Maryvale	1,005.0	360.0	3,618
1 Kalenber PL Meenyan	565.0	350.0	1,977
1 Marland SA Budgeree	320.0	350.0	1,120
1 Down Udder Arawata	775.0	350.0	2,712

Vealer Bulls

1 Smith P6 Mirboo	320.0	501.6	1,605
1 Hollydale Rural Holdings P/L			
Yinnar South	435.0	280.0	1,218
1 Hollydale Rural Holdings P/L			
Yinnar South	350.0	250.0	875
1 Pocklington R (Jim) Stony Crk	320.0	250.0	800
1 Whitten SD & KA	240.0	150.0	360

Lardner Park Calf Market Report

Monday, May 9, 2022

Jersey & Jersey x\$23 to \$200

Friesian Bulls\$41 to \$325

Friesian Heifers\$300 to \$650

Beef Bulls\$140 to \$360

Beef Heifers\$145 to \$440

Number of Calves: 189

Number purchased to rear: 85



Elders agents were among those selling some of the 5000 cattle at the Leongatha VLE store sale on Friday, May 13.

Record yarding at Koonwarra

By the SGSA

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Leongatha Store Sale On Friday, May 13, 2022

Grown Steers

B Daniels 11 Charolais	728kg	\$4.78	\$3480
B Daniels 14 Charolais	676kg	\$4.76	\$3280
M Rogers 17 Angus	667kg	\$5.18	\$3460
A Albert 18 Angus	664kg	\$5.27	\$3500
M Rogers 16 Angus	626kg	\$5.23	\$3280
C & J Dowel 14 BB	624kg	\$5.25	\$3280
Whelan 17 Angus	620kg	\$5.29	\$3280
Sandy Cape 20 Angus	615kg	\$5.30	\$3260
Whelan 34 Angus	612kg	\$5.27	\$3230
A & S Paton 14 Angus	601kg	\$5.15	\$3100
Montrose 14 Angus	598kg	\$5.26	\$3150
Sandy Cape 14 Angus	598kg	\$5.25	\$3140
K Vary 21 Angus	595kg	\$5.46	\$3250
Whelan 17 Angus	592kg	\$5.38	\$3190
Gb Ross 17 Angus	579kg	\$5.69	\$3300
Franklin Downs 14 Angus	575kg	\$5.39	\$3100
Montrose 14 Angus	563kg	\$5.86	\$3300
D & J Scott 16 Angus	558kg	\$5.55	\$3100
E Bourke 18 Angus	550kg	\$5.85	\$3220
White Past 17 Angus	545kg	\$5.68	\$3100
P Kelly 18 Angus	537kg	\$5.88	\$3160
Melaleuca Past 17 Angus	525kg	\$6.00	\$3150
B & J Adlam 10 Angus /BB	518kg	\$6.06	\$3140
D Kuch 15 Angus	508kg	\$6.00	\$3050
B Gale 15 Red Angus	496kg	\$5.88	\$2920
Peacock Rural 18 Angus	494kg	\$6.27	\$3100
R McCulloch 15 Angus	486kg	\$6.06	\$2950
B Davie 19 Speckle Park	485kg	\$5.77	\$2800
K, P & R Hourigan 36 Hfd	484kg	\$5.69	\$2755
R & P Davis 12 Brangus	483kg	\$5.48	\$2650
B Davie 19 Speckle Park	477kg	\$5.70	\$2720
M & D Johnson 12 Angus	473kg	\$6.13	\$2900
Butchers Block 25 Angus	472kg	\$6.35	\$3000
A Bolton 16 Angus	453kg	\$6.29	\$2850
L Calder 14 Angus	452kg	\$6.19	\$2800
G & J Mc Grath 11 Charolais	451kg	\$5.94	\$2680
Rangona 15 Angus	449kg	\$6.01	\$2700
B Cruachan 20 Angus	448kg	\$6.25	\$2800
Butchers Block 26 Angus	435kg	\$6.39	\$2780
Rangona 19 Angus	413kg	\$6.53	\$2700
Zilm P/L 16	394kg	\$6.54	\$2580

Weaner Steers

G Belcher 20 Hereford	476kg	\$5.92	\$2820
G Belcher 15 BB	416kg	\$6.22	\$2590
W Bullock 17 Angus	394kg	\$6.64	\$2620
Dc Mc Grath 14 Angus	393kg	\$6.38	\$2510
Medowra 21 Angus	390kg	\$6.35	\$2480
T & J Donchi 13 Angus	370kg	\$6.48	\$2400
L & K Price 20 Angus	368kg	\$6.25	\$2300
Rosebank 23 Angus	356kg	\$6.46	\$2300
Sha Valley P/L 23 Angus /BB	350kg	\$6.57	\$2300
L Mayo 12 Angus /BB	341kg	\$6.65	\$2270
C & J Moore 21 Hereford	339kg	\$6.60	\$2240
Kruber Nom 18 Angus	337kg	\$6.88	\$2320
D & P Whiteley 17 Angus	337kg	\$6.82	\$2300
Wheeler Logging 16 Angus	334kg	\$6.70	\$2240
R & C Donat 24 Angus	314kg	\$7.32	\$2300
Cowmore , 10 Angus	314kg	\$6.05	\$1900
B O'Loughlin 23 Angus	308kg	\$7.27	\$2240
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R & C Donat 21 Angus	268kg	\$8.28	\$2220

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Bulleondurra 15 BB	340kg	\$6.23	\$2120
W & J Bullock 18 Angus	336kg	\$6.10	\$2050
Rosebank 17 Angus	298kg	\$6.21	\$1850
Gembrae Ag 20 Angus	290kg	\$6.55	\$1900
Bj O'Loughlin 25 Angus	287kg	\$6.55	\$1880
Rangona 26 Angus	289kg	\$6.05	\$1750
R & C Donat 21 Angus	284kg	\$6.47	\$1840
Gembrae Ag 21 Angus	282kg	\$6.45	\$1800
L&K Price 24 Angus	257kg	\$6.61	\$1700
Rangona 19 Angus	256kg	\$6.05	\$1550



Merrigum dairy farmer Jamie Snell.

Nuffield experience still resonates with dairy farmer

WHEN Merrigum dairy farmer Jamie Snell undertook a Gardiner Nuffield Scholarship in 2007, he didn't know that it would still resonate 15 years later.

As Jamie goes through the next important phase in his farming career, the Nuffield experience continues to drive his passion for checking facts and science and asking the tough questions.

Jamie has never been shy about verifying facts and wanting everything in order, and as he and sonographer wife Anne enter generational change with son Michael and daughter-in-law Jane, the Nuffield experience is holding him in good stead.

Although he did the scholarship 15 years ago with support from Gardiner Dairy Foundation, Jamie says, "you never stop being a Nuffield Scholar".

"I've always had a natural curiosity and from the Nuffield I tend to question things a lot more and always tell people not to be scared to ask a question," he said.

Jamie's Nuffield research centred on family farm succession, success in farm business and opportunities for new entrants.

"If I was to re-write my report today, I suspect it would be significantly different but some of the fundamentals remain the same," he said.

"When I looked at the definition of succession planning, it's basically plan, com-

municate, affirm, implement and then review and those topics are still relevant and you can flesh them out."

In what Jamie describes as generational change, Michael and Jane have taken on a share farming role and will have more opportunities to grow their stake in the herd and land. Michael and Jane are responsible for management of the farm and herd, while Jamie oversees the irrigating and cropping.

Their other children, Katherine, Xavier and Matt have also been involved in the discussions.

At 63, Jamie thinks a successful succession plan will give him time and capacity to do what he wants while keeping a hand in the business. He also wants an opportunity to transfer knowledge and encourage the new generation to build good relationships with suppliers and bankers.

"While I want to step back and slow down, I don't want to let go of what I've got while I'm healthy enough to do it," he said.

"I see an opportunity to transfer knowledge and give an opportunity to grow equity and wealth."

"While I still have ownership and some input into the business, if further opportunities arise to expand, we've got the ability to leverage the total amount of the business and my relationships."

"Michael and Jane are aware they couldn't afford

to buy the business outright within a short time frame, and I couldn't get the same return on investment if I had that money in the bank instead of in the farm and the cows, particularly in the last three years when the value of the farm and the cows has gone up so much."

Jamie is a strong believer that share farming is one of the best routes for getting a foothold in the industry.

The Snell farm covers nearly 350 hectares and milks just over 400 cows. It is well placed for change.

"We've been able to expand, consolidate and put scale to the farm business, which is important if you're going through generational change," Michael said.

"Ultimately, we will see a change in the farm business and we have to plan for that."

Jamie has always encouraged young farmers and says those with questions on their mind should consider applying for a Nuffield Scholarship.

Applications for the 2023 Nuffield Farming Scholarship are now open and will close Friday, June 17, 2022.

For more information about the Nuffield Scholarship program, visit nuffield.com.au.

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VFF/AGM and
General Meeting

Agenda includes:

Simon McNair (VFF General Manager – Farmer Engagement) to discuss the VFF Restructure and Daniel Forwood (VFF Policy Advisor – Farming Systems) to discuss proposed Knackery pick up changes.

Finger food will be available between the AGM and start of General Meeting.

7.30pm at Leongatha RSL
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Fifth grandchild to "Love and Cherish"
Love Ma and Pa Follett
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DEATHS

ARNOTT, Bev:
A winner and the best in everything.
We will miss you.
The Rummykub Girls.

BIERSTEKER (nee Van den Berg), Alida Carolina:
20.01.1923 - 11.05.2022.
Much loved wife of Jan / John (dec.).

Loving mother of Johanna, John, Dita, Jac, Michelle, Simone and their partners.

Fond grandmother of 14, great grandmother of 21, and great-great grandmother of 6.

With special thanks to all staff at Elstoft House, Hamlyn Heights, and Dr Andrea Currie, for their loving care of Alida in the final seven years of her long life.
Rest in peace.

CLASSIFIED DEADLINE
12.30PM
MONDAYS

DEATHS

BLACK, Ron:
Thank you for being a good friend and a great mate.
"Keep on Drumming."
Max and Von.

CLASSON, John Herbert:
28.05.1931 - 01.05.2022.
Passed away peacefully at home.

Beloved husband of Peg (dec.).

Loved Dad and father-in-law of Bill, Sue and Phil, John and Sue (dec.), Judy and Peter.

Loved Grandpa John of all his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Now with our Pegga.
Private burial by request.

A memorial service will be held at Tarwin Lower Hall in the second half of the year.

GOLLER (nee Woolstencroft), Valmai Selby:
16.04.1931 - 09.05.2022.

Much loved wife of Hec (dec.).

Loved mother and mother-in-law of Ann and Trevor (dec.), Jane and Simon, and Kathryn.

Adored and adoring grandma of Jack and Harris, and also Christopher and Justin.

Forever in our hearts and now at peace with Hec.

DEATHS

HAINES (Loughran), Margaret Anne:
09.05.2022.
Peacefully after short illness.

Much loved and missed sister, sister-in-law and Aunty Marg to Titch, Lorraine, Shane, Naomi, Marcus and their families.

Such strength she showed in life.

Sleep now Marg.

HAINES (Loughran), Margaret Anne:

Passed away peacefully May 9, 2022.

Loved sister of Peter and sister-in-law of Maureen.

Aunt of Andrea and Justine.



HAINES, Margaret:

Strong and brave the way you lived your life.

United at last with Bill and Jason.

Mick, Penny, Michael and Caity.

JOPSON, Peter William Stanislaus Rush:
1931 - 12.05.2022.

Born in Wellington NZ. Died peacefully in Wonthaggi Hospital.

Son of the late William and Josephine Jopson.

Husband of the late Joan Shannon Jopson (passed 1995).

Much loved husband of Merle Jopson. Brother to Paul Jopson and the late Josie McCarthy.

DEATHS

JOPSON, Peter William Stanislaus Rush:
09.05.2022.
Loved father of Philip, Trish, Mark, and Simon. Stepfather to Marion and Leigh. Father-in-law to Deborah and Bridget.

Loved grandfather of Rush, Zoe, Amy, Josie, Jacqueline, Yalani, Freya and Dana, and great grandfather 'Poppa' of Isabella, Loughie, and Tempera.

Mischiefous, fun loving, creative. Peter you were a loving father, husband, and grandparent. Thank you to the staff at Wonthaggi Hospital, you were all generous and caring to Peter. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the hospital.

Service to be held May 19, 2022 at 10.30am at the Wonthaggi Funeral Services Graham St, Wonthaggi.

MALIKO (Bendas), Luba:

Passed away peacefully at South-Eastern Private Hospital on May 14, 2022.

Aged 95 Years.

Dearly loved wife of Paul (dec.).

Much loved mother of Halina (dec.), Valentina, Linda (dec.), Vova, Vera and Diane (dec.).

Mother-in-law of Bob, Trevor, Keith (dec.), Tony, and Leon.

Adored Nan to her 13 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild.

Safe in the arms of Jesus.

WARDLE, William Frederick:
09.09.1933 - 09.05.2022.

Passed away peacefully at Kirrak House.

Dearly loved and sadly missed by his wife and family.

Safe in the arms of Jesus.

WARDLE, William:

Loved brother of Albert, brother-in-law of Margaret, uncle to Michele, Steven, Melissa and their families.

Rest in peace Dear Bill after much suffering.

WARDLE, William (Billy):

Passed 09.05.2022.

A good friend sadly missed.

Janie and Duncan.

DEATHS

NEWHEY, Ronald James (Beau):
Passed away peacefully at Latrobe Regional Hospital, Traralgon on 11th May 2022 surrounded by his loving family.

Aged 71 Years.

Loving husband of Allison.

Much loved father and father-in-law of Shelley and Trevor, Jade, Ashley, and Jess and Toby.

Adored Poppy to Charlee, Jordan, Lacey, and Isabelle.

STEEDMAN (Haines), Patricia:

05.05.2022.

Wife of Bill (dec.).

Mother to Russell and Glenn.

Much loved sister of Chris (dec.), Peter (dec.), George (dec.), Bill (dec.), Terry and families.

A treasured friend to all that knew her.

R.I.P.

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A good friend sadly missed.

Janie and Duncan.

FUNERALS

BIERSTEKER:
Family and friends are invited to attend the funeral service for Mrs Alida Carolina Biersteker to be held at Tuckers Chapel, 68-74 Hope Street, Geelong West on MONDAY 23rd May at 2.00pm prior to a private cremation.

Please visit tuckers.com.au for webcast details.

A Private Cremation will follow.

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BLACK:

The Funeral Service to Celebrate the life of Ronald William Black will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Korumburra on Wednesday May 18, 2022 at 11:30am.

The Funeral will leave for the Korumburra Cemetery at the conclusion of the Service.

The Service will be livestreamed to view please visit www.handleyfuneralservices.com.au

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GOLLER:

The Funeral Service to Celebrate the life Valmai Selby Goller will be held at St. Peter's Anglican Church, Leongatha on Thursday May 19, 2022 at 1:00pm.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



Premier and Cabinet

Forthcoming vacancies on the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

The Hon. Gabrielle Williams, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, is calling for applications from Victorian Traditional Owners to become members of the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (Council).

What is the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council?

The Council was created under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*. It is the only statutory decision-making authority in Australia whose members are all Traditional Owners.

The Council's purpose is to work with all Victorians for the protection and enjoyment of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.

The Council's principal functions involve:

- Advising the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage matters in Victoria
- Making decisions regarding the appointment of Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs)
- Overseeing the reporting and return of Ancestral Remains and Secret or Sacred Objects
- Promoting awareness and understanding of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.

Expressions of Interest are sought to fill vacancies on Council

To be eligible to be a Council member you must be an Aboriginal person who:

- is a Victorian Traditional Owner
- is resident in Victoria
- has relevant experience or knowledge of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in Victoria.

Consideration will also be given to experience in governance and the practical operation of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*.

Council welcomes applicants from a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences, including people of different genders, people of all ages, people with disability, and LGBTIQ people.

Council members are expected to have adequate time to commit to the duties of the Council. They are paid a sitting fee and are reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with Victorian Government guidelines.

Please send your written expression of interest, addressing the above criteria to:

By post: The Office of Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Level 3, 3 Treasury Place EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

By email: vahc@dpc.vic.gov.au

Expressions of Interest must be received by 5pm on Tuesday 14 June 2022.

For further information, please contact the Office of the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

E: vahc@dpc.vic.gov.au

T: 03 9922 7002

W: aboriginalheritagecouncil.vic.gov.au



Island Ten Pin Bowling

WEEK 12 results. 2s Company: 1st on 20pts Him&Her. 2nd on 18pts Ally Cats. 3rd on 18pts Pinheads.

Almost Bowling Legends: 1st on 148.5pts Pin Pals. 2nd on 132.5pts Island Sector. 3rd on 130pts Just Bowl Already.

Business early: 1st on 7pts Ballz Deep. 2nd on 7pts Turkey Slappers. 3rd on 6pts Wooly Rollers.

Business Late: 1st on 9pts HolySplits. 2nd on 5pts S&R Clarke Auto. 3rd on 5pts Team Rich.

Phantom: 1st on 16pts Falcor. 2nd on 15.5pts Blondie. 3rd on 14pts Strike It Lucky.

Top scorers this week: Women - Lisa Walker 191, Tricia Niessink 185, Elizabeth 166. Men - Steve A Clarke 231, Steve Egan 212, Remo Hancock 205.

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Grade winners from left, Logan White, Dakota Suckling, Ian Kent, Ash's daughter Ebony, Daniel Cleary, Phil Lancaster and Cranky McCall. C28_2022

Shoot in memory of Ashley De Ross



Ash De Ross' grandson, Baden, daughter, Ebony and son-in-law Ray joined in the day's shoot. C29_2022

SATURDAY May 14 Wonthaggi Clay Target hosted the Ashley De Ross Memorial Shoot in recognition of a great friend and true gentleman of the club.

Joined by Ashley's daughter, Ebony Furmston, son-in-law, Ray and grandson Baden, Wood Point, Nepean, Mornington and Melbourne shooters came down for the day in what was an all-weather event.

"Today meant a lot - it's lovely," Ebony explained.

"It's so nice that he had a family (in the club) that loved him as much as we did."

Father, Aaron, and son, Logan, battled it out in the C Grade shoot out, whilst Daniel Cleary of Mornington CTC took out the Open Award, gifting his winning sash in Bundaberg Rum colours to Ebony.

A collector of Bundaberg Rum, the runners up raffle was a bottle.

"Ashley was a top member of the club," Ian Kent

explained.

"He was well respected and I'm proud to have called him my mate."

"His input - he was always doing stuff (for the club).

"We used to travel together; I miss the traveling companion - we often had a bit of rivalry when shooting and it didn't really matter who won.

"He was a true gentleman of the sport."

"He always had a smile!" Mel Durkin added.

"And would always be the first to greet you."

Other winners on the day were: Cranky McCall (Woods Point GC) - AA Grade, Lucky Phil Lancaster (Mornington CTC) - A Grade, Dakota Suckling (Wonthaggi) - B Grade & Ladies, Logan White (Wonthaggi) - C Grade & Junior and Ian Kent (Wonthaggi) - Veteran.

Alister Gammaldi and Stuart Allen took out the cake shoot.

"I'm so grateful to everyone for today and the sashes being here that was a favourite."

Leongatha Table Tennis results

RESULTS as of May 10.

A Grade: George of the Jungle finally broke the drought and won their first points of the season.

Minions 8-21 def Daffy Duck 3-14, Mickey Mouse 7-24 def Captain Marvel

4-16, George of the Jungle 6-21 def Elmer Fudd 5-18.

After round 10, standings are (in order of points, rubbers and games): Minions 16 73 246, Mickey Mouse 16 67 235, Elmer Fudd 16 66 234, Daffy

Duck 10 50 173, Captain Marvel 8 63 229 and George of the Jungle 2 46 186.

Leading players: Michael C 30, Case DeB 27, Dirk H 23, Zac D 22, Bryce H 20, Michael H 18.

PUBLIC NOTICES



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PUBLIC NOTICES

Gabriella Bare late of 20 Taylors Lane, Rowville, Victoria, Retired, deceased.

CREDITORS, next of kin, and others having claims in respect of the estate of the above named deceased, who died on 28 August 2021 are required by the executors, Timothy James Bare and Jonathan Victor Bare, care of the undermentioned solicitors, to send particulars of their claims to them by 21 July 2022 after which date the executors may convey or distribute the assets and distribute the estate, having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice.

COLLINS LAWYERS & CONSULTANTS
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Modern ideas about grief

CWA Wonthaggi Owl Women are happy to announce a terrific guest speaker for their monthly meeting.

The speaker will be talking on a somewhat difficult subject for many in our community, 'Modern ideas about grief', expanding knowledge and understanding in an informative talk.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, May 19, at the RSL Hall, 60 Murray Street, Wonthaggi, starting at 7.15pm.

Organisers welcome interested parties to attend and share with the members of the local CWA branch.

They are a dynamic group of women supporting the local headspace and gathering to share connection in many forms, including craft, cooking and education.

Those wishing to attend or wanting further information can contact branch secretary Marg Hauser on 5678 3384 or email cwaofvic.wonthaggi@gmail.com.

• FAITH FACTOR

Today's struggles

Rev Capt Graeme Liersch
Rector - Anglican Parish of Wonthaggi/Inverloch

I GREW up in the era of drugs, sex and rock and roll. It was the 60s and 70s of last century and the taboo topics were politics, religion and sex. They were off limits when people came to visit.

These topics aren't as taboo today, especially during an election campaign and in our so-called progressive society.

Today our struggles, much of which are on a world scale, are war, drought, famine, eye strain, rebellious children, suicide, trauma, pressure, expectations, and death. Many are taboo subjects, especially suicide, trauma and death.

The topics often at the fore are war, drought, famine and pressure, all of which successive governments have tried to address but have never been able to conquer. The remaining three - rebellious children, expectations and eye strain - just seem to be too hard to address.

You may be asking yourself: What's 'eye strain' doing in there? It seems quite out of place, but is it?

We spend so much time in front of a computer, tablet, iPad or smartphone, that our eyes are suffering badly.

Not only that, it is what we see on these devices and our smart televisions that are shaping our lives. The visual has become more than a strain on the eyes. It is through the eyes that many of our other ailments have grown and put a strain on our relationships.

Sadly, those things that can actually help us are becoming neglected - things or actions such as God and the fruits of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Do yourself a favour and take a break from the visuals, seek God and spread a little of His good fruit.

This is what he says about it: "And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another." Galatians 5:24-26. Bear one another's burdens.

~ NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE & ADULT LEARNING NEWS ~

MILPARA COMMUNITY HOUSE

IT'S Volunteer Week and boy do we have some excellent volunteers here at Milpara whom we are super proud of and terribly grateful for.

Contrary to popular belief, Milpara is not run by a big faceless government department or the shire, we actually have a fantastic group of volunteers who make up our Committee Of Governance (Milpara COG).

So, it really isn't an understatement when we say without volunteers, we'd have no Milpara. We also have a great bunch of volunteers who support the day-to-day operations of the house. From smiling faces at reception to helpful bubbly tutors and people gardening, restocking the Foodbank and sorting of files, as well as too many other things to mention but generally keeping the staff in line and well supported. It

can't be said enough: thank you for all you do because together we all make Milpara a wonderful place.

In addition to wonderful volunteers, we have amazing participants. We were really pleased to celebrate Neighbourhood House Week last week with an art exhibition and pop-up classes in the Korumburra Federation Gallery. It was a fantastic opportunity to showcase and highlight some of the amazing work of participants, and the pop-up sessions were a lot of fun. We finished the week with a wonderful morning tea on the Saturday morning. It was amazing to see those who could attend and we acknowledge many faces were missing due to COVID and finally being away after previous COVID cancellations.

If you're yet to come and find out how awesome Milpara is,

we think it's time you did personally. Pop in for a visit at 21 Shellcot Road, Korumburra, or visit our website (milparacommunityhouse.org.au) to see what activities might be for you.

We are really lucky to offer a great variety and are always interested in adding new things.

TOP RIGHT: Wendy Dene during the 'Art with Gayle' pop-up class organised by Milpara Community House.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Amber Ray during the Games and Giggles pop-up class organised by Milpara Community House.



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BASS COAST ADULT LEARNING

in food services from kitchen and wait staff to markets and sausage sizzles.

This Friday will be all about coffee with the Barista Basics course showing students how to extract the perfect shot and steam milk to just the right temperature and frothiness. The course is currently booked out but there will be another session on June 24th.

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

■ WONTHAGGI COMMUNITY GARDEN

If you have been wondering what fruit and veg to grow this autumn, a quick tour of the plots at the garden provide lots of ideas and inspiration.

For starters there's the old favourites: cauliflowers, cabbage, radishes, broccoli, car-

rots, peas, leeks, celery and broad beans. Then there's the more unusual but very worthwhile turnips, red mizuna, rocket, warrigal greens, kale, garlic, chillies, Chinese cabbage, bok choy and lots of varieties of lettuce.

Fruits are represented by mandarins, feijoas, berries, rhubarb and lemons. Lots of parsley, coriander and dill add to the mix.

It should all add up to a bumper harvest of the sort of nutritious fresh goodness we need, to boost our immune systems and see us happy and healthy through the cold months to come.

To find out more about what's growing at the garden and how you can get involved, email tgordon@westnet.com.au or drop in on a Thursday between 10 and noon to have a look and a chat.

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WONTHAGGI NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Food Collective. The Collective is a local group that buys food in bulk and distributes it at a low mark-up to its members.

We do this:

For our community: a not-for-profit that gives back any surplus.

For our pockets: buying in bulk reduces cost.

For our planet: minimal packaging and food-miles.

For our wellbeing: buying organic when it's affordable.

We distribute from the Harvest Centre, behind Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre on the second Saturday of each month. Interested? To get a stock list or to find out more, contact WonthaggiCoop@gmail.com or call Michael Nugent on 0416 039 933.

If you missed out on our scrumptious Free Community Lunch last time then not to worry, they happen every second and fourth Wednesday of

the month, starting at noon. The next one is on Wednesday, May 25. Emma will, as usual, be cooking up a storm so come along and enjoy good food while meeting new people or re acquainting yourself with old friends or bringing another along to enjoy a meal out together whilst having a chat with others. You need to book in so that we can cater accordingly.

With interest rates rising and putting extra pressure on finances and winter creeping ever closer, here is a timely reminder of the One-Off Power Savings Bonus of \$250 from the state government. If you or someone you know is struggling to pay their power bills and is eligible to receive it. We can help anyone who has a pensioner concession or healthcare card or receiving Centrelink payments. The deadline is 30th June 2022.



■ WONTHAGGI WOODCRAFTERS

A principle of woodworking is what you don't have, you make. This applies not just to the objects the group builds but also the tools involved.

One of the members is currently working on making a special vice which will attach to one of the work benches for the furniture making group.

What's special about the vice is it will be able to hold uneven pieces. This way, even if the item is an unusual shape, it can still be held firm for gluing.

For more information about joining the Woodcrafters, visit wonthaggewoodcrafters.com.au.



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Just a little note here. If you become a WNC member, \$10 per individual, \$15 per family for the year, then all Learn Share Activities are free until the end of June 2022 and we have lots of Learn Share Activities. And not only that but you also get our 'The Grapevine' newsletter which comes out each term. Call Mitchell House on 5672 3731 for more information and keep up to date with all our activities through our Facebook Page at Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House.



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Soccer from around the district

Under 13s - Gippsland FC (Metro)

THE Under 13s travelled to Glen Eira for their round 4 fixture. Gippsland attacked for much of the early part of the game however couldn't produce the quality required in the final third and when they did the Glen Eira keeper proved hard to pass. Cristian Guarascio came to the team's rescue with a host of saves through the day. Gippsland went one nil up through a Maurice Baldacchino strike that took a kind deflection however Glen Eira equalised to go to the break at 1-1. The second half was full of near misses and desperate defending by both teams however Glen Eira managed to get the winner late in the game to finish 2-1 winners.

Under 15s - Gippsland FC (JBNPL)

IT WAS a great battle from the first whistle with both teams coming out strong. It was quite some time before Ringwood managed to make their way through the Gippsland backline and find the back of the net to take the lead at 1-0. Gippsland quickly responded with a magnificent goal from Jesse Dugard but a quick-thinking header then took the Gippsland boys by surprise shortly after to bring the score to 2-1 going into the main break. The second half held much the same intensity from both sides with Noah Jackson, Tanna Leicester and Jess Dugard putting in valiant efforts for Gippsland however the away side were unable to convert their attempts at goal. Final score: 3-1.

Under 15s - Gippsland FC

THE Under 15s recorded a 0-3 loss to the Eastern Lions. Gippsland had the upper hand in most of the match ups, more attempts on goal and played with the better intensity however it was the Lions who got all the breaks. Gippsland set about their work from the kick off denying the Lions any clear early possession for much of the half. It was only a defensive mix up nearer the end of the first half that would see Gippsland go in 0-1 down at the half. The second half repeated a similar pattern with Gippsland having the better of the exchanges but again no luck. With only two subs on the bench, Gippsland would eventually tire, and the Lions were able to pinch two late goals. 0-3 to the Lions at full time.

Under 16s - Gippsland FC (JBNPL)

The GFC Under 16s played host to South Melbourne at Latrobe City Stadium, Morwell, for round 3. The boys went into the game confident but unfortunately South Melbourne won 4-0.



For Gippsland, Luca Dicorleto led the defence well to be nominated as the GFC player of the match in the Under 15s.

Under 16s - Gippsland FC

GIPPSLAND was host to Ashburton for the second round of the Under 16 NPL South-East Division. Ashburton scored early in the first half and followed it up with a penalty goal later in the first half, going into the half time break with a two-goal advantage. Despite this they had not had things all their own way, with Gippsland having a few attempts at goal that were off target. Gippsland had more chances early in the second half yet were unable to find the back of the net. Brodie Neave and Levi Colantuono continued to attack the ball and drive it forward. They were well supported by Troy Frost, who was able to make runs through the oppositions defence. Brody Demagistris scored Gippsland's only goal for the day late in the second half. Gippsland went down 5-1.

Under 18s - Gippsland FC

THE Gippsland FC U18 boys took on an Ashburton side who were coming off a positive result in their first game for the year. Gippsland FC started strongly with only the upright preventing Harry Tosch from scoring. Ashburton battled hard to get back into the game and after a few chances at both ends the halftime whistle would sound with both teams locked in a tight struggle. Gippsland FC came out hungry for a goal and two minutes into the second half the skilful Tana Betera would smash the ball home for Gippsland FC giving them the lead for which they thoroughly deserved. Dylan Dunstall and Julian Colantuono were showing plenty in defence and with Campbell Dastey working hard on the left Gippsland would do enough in a tight contest.

Gippsland FC 1 Ashburton 0.

Senior Men - Wonthaggi

A COVID-depleted squad from Wonthaggi saw them field eight players but proceed to engage an effect low block with a standout performance from their goalkeeper who effectively blocked numerous scoring attempts from the traveling Leongatha Knights. Captain PJ opened the scoring with himself and fellow forward Jethro Alison scoring hat tricks. Player of the match went to rising youth player Toby Gale whose composure in defence and on the wing was wonderful to witness. Final score: 10-0.

Under 14s - Inverloch

WHEN the Inverloch Stars Under 14s took the pitch against the power of Philip Island one player down and no subs, they knew it was going to be a tough day out.

However, coach Dean Harvey had a plan to go strong on defence and gave captain Noyen Limbu the job of running the forward line with limited support.

It was a master stroke, with the skilful Noyen hitting the back of the net twice before the opposition knew what had happened.

The game see-sawed from there as the undermanned Stars fought hard to keep running and keep defending. According to one teammate, Peeraphan Panyo played the game of his life as goalkeeper, stopping many PI attacking kicks with a couple of huge diving efforts and smart movement and his long return kicks back into play gave our forwards the chance to run onto the ball despite tiring legs.

Philip Island came back hard in the second half with quick successive goals and with no subs it was going to be hard for the U14 Stars to get their nose back in front but they kept defending and driving the ball forward.

Another goal from Noyen (his fourth for the match) tied the game, a powerful boot from Finn Clunie flew half way across the pitch to hit the back of the net at the highest point possible put the Stars in front and some fast footwork out of a pack saw Harvey Welsford score his second for the game.

A well fought match saw the Stars come out on top 7-6. Coach Dean said: "It was good to see the team bringing into play the hard work they are doing in training - playing as a team, communicating and working for each other."

A great game, plenty of goal action but also well defended by the back and mids. Special thanks to Jensen Bremner for joining the 14s after a strong U12s game and for Al Starkey and Al Kokean for stepping up to ref and run the lines, reminding us how important it is to have community support for junior sports.

Women - Korumburra

ROUND 5 saw Drouin Dragons visit Korumburra City and a dry but windy afternoon. Korumburra were wearing their new 2022 kits for the first time this year following a presentation night on Friday.

At 1pm the Senior Women got underway and from the kick of Korumburra took control of possession and applied pressure to Drouin's defensive line, after 25min the deadlock was broken from a Dakota Decarlo corner that dropped to Amber Cull who calmly slotted home the opening goal. 10 Min later the ball broke in midfield to Alana Lopez-Freeman who beat a couple of Drouin defenders to score just before half time.

After the break it was much of the same, Korumburra with a strong midfield and defence snuffing out any Dragons counterattack.

As the clock ticked down Dakota Decarlo and Tammy Dawson both scored for Korumburra to put the game beyond any doubt.

Final score Korumburra 4 - Drouin 0.

Senior Men - Korumburra

AT 3PM, the Senior Men kicked off, it was a cagey start by both teams who are both trying to find some form in the early part of the season. However once again it was Korumburra that settled first, about 12 min in some good work by Danny Lloyd in midfield moved the ball forward to Aiden Richards who put the ball past the Drouin goal keeper to open the scoring.

The game remain tense with some end-to-end entertaining football. Korumburra probably should have made it 2 - 0 but missed a goaled opportunity when young gun Marley Walker put the ball just wide of the post when one on one with the keeper.

In the second half, it was a similar story, both sides having chances but an inspired performance by Haydon Smith and Zac Grant kept the chances to a minimum. It was Korumburra again that managed to score with a fine break from midfielder Riley Olden, he latched onto a through ball and smashed home a second goal, following that Dragons heads dropped, which allowed the Korumburra team to capitalise with a couple more late goals from Aiden and Liam Richards.

In all a great afternoon for Korumburra City, new kits, thank to great main sponsors Cypto Chat, VIP Gardening, The Middle Pub and Burra Brewing and some returning players. Round 6 sees Korumburra at Lang Lang and Drouin at home to Inverloch.

TIDE GUIDE

Add Waratah Bay 13 minutes, Cowes +28, Inverloch +30, Newhaven +1.03, Corinella +1.08, Port Welshpool +1.28, Tarwin Lower jetty +3 hours. The times stated are Australian Eastern Daylight Time (24 hours clock).

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23

5.44am 0.37m	12.41am 1.49m	1.30am 1.53m	2.17am 1.56m	3.03am 1.56m	3.52am 1.54m	4.43am 1.50m
1.03pm 1.73m	6.35am 0.27m	7.26am 0.22m	8.16am 0.20m	9.06am 0.23m	9.56am 0.29m	10.45am 0.38m
6.32pm 0.84m	1.55pm 1.82m	2.43pm 1.86m	3.30pm 1.85m	4.18pm 1.80m	5.06pm 1.73m	5.56pm 1.66m
	7.22pm 0.81m	8.09pm 0.77m	8.54pm 0.74m	9.41pm 0.72m	10.29pm 0.71m	11.19pm 0.70m

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Beryl Brown and Kerri Besley were the grade winners at Korumburra last week.



Men's ambrose winners at Korumburra: Greg Wilson (Woopa), Rob Gallagher (Pres), Shayne Harland (Sheepy) and Pete Wallace (yet to be nicknamed).



Finalists from the Edney knockout final at Leongatha, from left, Stu Harry, TP Simon, Brendan Simon and Paul Deery.



At Leongatha, Colleen Touzel (A Grade winner) alongside Bronwyn Debenham (B Grade winner).



The winners of the second round of 2022 championships at Meeniyian, from left, A Grade - Dot Christie, B Grade - Susan Straw, and C Grade - Jenny Cope.

FOSTER

Ladies

TWELVE ladies played in Wednesday's stableford event.

A pleasant overcast day with sanded greens and a heavy dew making putting a challenge.

It was very pleasing to see Beth Curram back on the fairways, and in fine form, winning A Grade with (23) 34pts.

Elise Nudelman (31) 32pts B Grade on a countback from Alayne McKenzie.

NTP: Michelle Sait Bennett 6th and Jenny Mountford 17th.

Many thanks to Barb Britten for sponsoring the day and supplying the raffle which was won by Viv Reid.

Friday 13th, not so lucky, but an enjoyable day regardless. Jenny Alexander, Frances McGlead, Elise Nudelman and Beth Curram represented Foster at the Woorayl Open Day four-person ambrose.

Next week is Frances McGlead's trophy and par.

Ladies, please don't forget the second round Four-Ball Knockout needs to be played by May 24, and second round Foursomes Knockout by May 31.

KORUMBURRA

TUESDAY, May 10 - stableford (36 players). A Grade: Mat Wrigley (2) 38. B Grade: Brian Brown (36) 36pts. NTP: 1st David Gow, 7th Bob Newton, 10th Mark Marnotti and 13th Mick Belvedere.

Thursday, May 12 - stableford (11 players). Craig Kerr (18) 36pts. NTP: 10th Chris Clements and 13th Steve Duffield.

Saturday, May 14. Sponsor: Kevin and Brian Pope. Men's ambrose (39 players) winners with a net score of 55.625, Greg Wilson (Woopa), Rob Gallagher (Pres), Shayne Harland (Sheepy) and Pete Wallace (yet to be nicknamed). NTP: 1st Shayne Harland, 7th Chris McConnell, 10th Shayne Harland and 13th Ross Besley.

Ladies

THE weather remained fine on Wednesday, with an intriguing range of scores amid the results. There were also some closely contested games in the knockout matches being played.

Well done to Kerri Besley (18) who won A Grade with a nice 36 pts and Barb Twite (24) was runner-up, 33 pts. Beryl Brown (28) had a great score of 38 pts to win B Grade, with Karen Sorrell (39), 30 pts, runner-up.

BDTL went to Judy Webb (21), 32 pts, Lee Clements (16) 29 pts and Jenny Blackmore (27), 28 pts.

Moira Rogers (28) had a good score of 17 pts to win the nine-hole comp.

Kerri Besley was NTP on the 10th and Jan Hewitt was closest on the 13th green.

A number of our members enjoyed playing in the Ambrose event at Woorayl on Friday.

A big 'congratulations' is extended to one of our newer members, Jennie Loughnan (54) who had a fabulous round on Saturday to win with 38 pts and was also NTP on the 1st green. Julie Hillberg (25) also had a good score to be runner-up, 36 pts. BDTL went to Sherrin Solly (22), 33 pts.

LEONGATHA

TUESDAY stableford May 10.

Sixty-five players took part in Tuesday's event in cool conditions that made scoring difficult for most. Michael Hill had no difficulty scoring the day's best score of 43pts.

A Grade winner: Geoffrey McDonald with 36pts. A Grade runner-up: Doug Cleemann with 35pts

B Grade winner: Garry Rotteveel with 37pts. B Grade runner-up: Stuart Harry with 35pts

C Grade winner: Michael Hill with 43pts. C Grade runner-up: Peter Horman with 34pts

NTP 14th: Antony Roberts at 3.35m. NTP 16th: Jon Smith at 1m.

On Wednesday the ladies took to the course with several good scores returned with Colleen Touzel and Bronwyn Debenham both returning fine scores of 38 to win their respective grades. Pam Christensen took out the nine-hole event with 20pts.

A Grade winner: Colleen Touzel with 38pts. A Grade runner-up: Maxine Eabry with 35pts

B Grade winner: Bronwyn Debenham with 38pts. B Grade runner-up: Helen Mackenzie with 36pts on a countback

NTP 14th: Bronwyn Debenham at 1.8m. NTP 16th: Marea Maher at 2m

Nine-hole stableford overall winner: Pam Christensen with 20pts. Thursday par May 12.

Thursday's event attracted 67 starters and the lower grades is where the good scoring was at, Ian Miller and Bruce Cathie had the day's best score with 3 up, with Ian winning on a countback.

A Grade winner: Barry Attwood with +1. A Grade runner-up: Bruce Christison with 0 on a countback.

B Grade winner: Gary McGrath with +2. B Grade runner-up: Leo De Bondt with +1.

C Grade winner: Ian Miller with +3 on a countback. C Grade runner-up: Bruce Cathie +3

NTP 14th: Leo the Hoe at 1.1m. NTP 16th: Gary McGrath at 4.4m

The players took revenge on the course Saturday where a field of 87 took part in the stableford event. Barry Attwood fresh off a win Thursday doubled up with the day's best score of 45pts. Mark O'Dwyer had a great score of 43 to win C grade while Anthony Sparkes took out A Grade with 41pts much to the delight of his playing partners. Maryanne Gartner won D Grade with 35pts.

Saturday also saw the final of the Alan Edney fourball knockout contested between Stu Harry and Paul Deery who took on the father son combination of Brendan and TP Simon. After a tight tussle Brendan and TP were victors on the day winning 3 and 2.

A Grade winner: Anthony Sparkes with 41pts. A Grade runner-up: Ryan McKnight with 39pts on a countback.

B Grade winner: Barry Attwood with 45pts. B Grade runner-up: Glenn Marsham with 39pts.

C Grade winner: Mark O'Dwyer with 43pts. C Grade runner-up: Renatto Monacella with 38pts.

D Grade winner: Maryanne Gartner with 35pts. D Grade runner-up: Ron Paice with 34pts on a countback.

NTP 14th: Hoots at 1.8m. NTP 16th: Bryan McCorkell at 1m.

Ladies

FORTY women enjoyed the ideal conditions for our shotgun start stableford event.

Colleen Touzel blitzed the course to win A Grade with 38pts while Maxine Eabry was the runner-up with a very respectable 35pts.

The B Grade winner was our very own Women's Captain Bronwyn Debenham with 38pts, and last week's monthly medal win-

ner, Helen Mackenzie, was the runner-up with 36pts.

Down the line balls went to Neryl Hopcraft and Diana Holmberg on 36pts, Lyn Shaw and Nan Meagher 35, Maryanne Gartner 34, Dot Stubbs 33, Robin Smith, Sue Bowler, Lynda Bassett, Shirley Welsford and Else Gedy 32, and Marea Maher and Nola Kim sneaking in with 31pts.

The nearest the pin on the 14th was Bronwyn Debenham and Marea Maher on the 16th.

Pam Christensen had a whooping 20pts in the nine-hole event, while Jill Steer (back from injury), Brenda Wilkins and Marie Sands each won a ball down the line.

MEENIYAN

Ladies

ON WEDNESDAY in fine weather stroke was played for the second round of the 2022 championships. A big thank you to our sponsors for the three rounds and championships, IGA of Meeniyan. It is very much appreciated.

Winners for the day were: A Grade — Dot Christie 84-12-72 on c/b, B Grade — Susan Straw 98-20-78, C Grade - Jenny Cope 108-38-70. DLT: Veronica Park (15) 72 net. Putting: Dot Christie 26 putts.

All grades are very closely contested this year so should be a very exciting third round finish on Wednesday and will conclude with a shared lunch.

The Olive Harris Bowl is to be held on Friday, May 27, with entries closing on Monday, May 23.

MIRBOO NORTH

THURSDAY, May 12 – stableford.

A Grade: T Bradshaw (7) 36pts. B Grade: D Taylor (22) 34pts c/b. DLT: R Pentland 34, S Beitz, N Whichello; N Baker 33. NTP: 6th T Whitelaw, 16th T Whitelaw.

Birdies: 4th N Whichello, J Hughes, R Scurlock; 13th N Whichello; 16th T Whitelaw, 0 J Smeriglio.

Saturday, May 14 – stableford.

A Grade: S Mills (9) 45pts. B Grade: C Le Page (24) 41pts. DLT: R Hoskin, M Payne, S McInnes, 40pts; S Evison, B Silver 39pts. NTP: 4th S McInnes, 6th R Pentland, 13th S McInnes, 16th M Payne.

Birdies: 6th S McInnes, R Robbins, T Whitelaw; 16th D Woodall, P Draper.

WONTHAGGI

MEN'S results May 12, stableford, 18 hole, SR 71.

Winner Peter Kane 36. Runner-up: Ian McNish 35 C/B.

Ball sweep Chris Wilkinson 35, Keith Ridout 33, Peter Magnussen 32, and Philip McCrimmon 31 C/B.

Nine-hole stableford, front nine, SR 34.5.

Winner: Graham Ryan 18. Runner-up: Jim McEachern 16.

Ball: Ray Hender 16 C/B.

4BBB Par (Ken Chisholm first round) May 14, SR 72.

Winners: Fraser West and Bailey Harvey +11 and Paul Cornelius and Bill Howard +9

Ball sweep: Graham Ryan and Jim Jordan +8, Gary Kirk and Rick Schenk +7, Paul Brusamarello and Kevin Jamieson +6, Phil Davidson and Bill Fenell +6, Willy Williams and Bill Howard +6 and Peter Dell and Secondo Tiziani +6.

NTP: Daniel Crellin 2nd, Ben Clark 4th, Jim McEachern (propin) 8th, Daniel Crellin 13th, Michael Scott (money) 17th, Ben Clark 5th second shot.

GOLF | SPORT



At Wonthaggi last Wednesday, daily winners Dawn Judkins (B Grade), Marg Johnson (A Grade and medal) and Marion Walker (C Grade).



S & B Thomas Stableford Pairs Aggregate first round winners Jo Fennell and Ann Poole.

Ladies

WEDNESDAY was the May monthly medal and the qualifying round for the Singles Knockout Board event. We had a great field of 28 players including a welcome back to Leesa Willmot to our golf ranks.

There was a close battle for the medal but with the round of the day, Marg Johnson 85(13)72 was the winner of A Grade, medal, scratch and putting with 27 putts. A chip in birdie 4 on the first hole gave her round a quick start.

Dawn Judkins also had a lovely round with 103(30) 73 net to win B Grade. Marion Walker with 110(33) 77 net was the C Grade winner.

NTP: 2nd Catherine Bolding (she got her birdie) and 17th Geraldine Prentice.

BDL: Dot Garry 75, Geraldine Prentice 77, Irene Walsh 77, Jan Beaumont 77, Sharon Patullo 77 and Anne Poulton 77.

WOORAYL

Ladies

IT WAS lovely to see 18 players compete in the first round of the S & B Thomas Stableford Pairs Aggregate sponsored by Leongatha Optometrists.

The winners Ann Poole and Jo Fennell came in with a great score of 67pts. Runners-up were Sharyn Rayson and Pauline Lancaster with 65pts. BDL went to Janet Thompson and Heather Sullivan with 62pts followed by Anne Grist and Lois Young with 60pts. NTPs were 8th Bev Bridge, 11th Anne Grist and 17th Sherrill Winkler.



Woorayl Golf Club Open Day runners-up Rebecca Thomas, Margaret Griffiths, Inge Giliam and Irene Holm.

There were some highlights: Sharyn, playing off a handicap of 16, came in with an amazing score of 40pts. Congratulations Sharyn, it was lovely golf to watch. Elly had her highlight with birdie/gobbler on the 2nd. And last but not least, Lois was running hot with her putter sinking some amazing long putts.

Next week will be the final round of Shirley and Brian's trophy.

Sixty-four lucky ladies competed in the Woorayl Golf Club Open day sponsored by Berry's Creek Cheese. To our delight, the weather stayed fine until everyone was safely inside enjoying Berry's Creek Cheese and a delicious lunch.

The team of four ladies from Welshpool was a popular win coming in with 62.375 net - a small club with a heart of gold who support many clubs in the association. Congratulations to Sharelle Roberts, Karen Barwick, Susan Brown and Jeanette Swann.

Runners-up were Inge Giliam, Irene Holm, Margaret Griffiths and Rebecca Thomas with 63 net.

BDL went to team three: Dot Christie, Faye Lepage, Janet Thompson and Heather Sullivan; team four Elly Berryman, Sherrill Winkler, Ann Poole and Pauline Lancaster; team five Pam Erving, Andrea Thorson, Sue Hoskin and Jo Graeme; and team six Yvonne Everitt, Lisa Brusamarello, Dawn Judkins and Patsy Britt.

NTP: 8th Geraldine Prentice and 17th Susan Straw.

Our thanks to everyone involved in making today a great day out and a huge success.

BOWLS | SPORT



Midweek bowls winners David Talbot (3), John Nicholson (S), Bill Williams (2) and Peter Stansfield (L).



Midweek bowls runners-up Lindsay Russell (co-skip), Bob Arnold (L), Peter McWilliams (co-skip), Haydn Cave (2), and James Martin (3).



Inverloch Bowls Club Thursday social bowls winners on 22pts and two wins, from left, John Hallas, Chris Neville, Terry Seaward and Bryan Hensley.

KORUMBURRA

EVEN though bowls is in winter mode, there is still plenty happening around the club.

Friday night the club held its monthly counter tea with members enjoying Keith's culinary delights in the form of chicken and veg pies. President Col took out the members' jackpot.

On Saturday, 60 hardy souls braved the elements for our annual Skins tournament. Winners on the day were the Wonthaggi team of Wally Leijen, Stan Noad and John Miglorisi. The runners-up, from Inverloch, were Arthur Moule, Keith Cousins and Paul Davis. Our thanks to Edneys Leongatha for their kind sponsorship of the day.

Don't forget our annual general meeting is on May 31 at 7.30pm. We are still looking for nominations for the board and other positions.

MIDWEEK

WINNERS: John Nicholson, David Talbot, Bill Williams and Peter Stansfield.

Runners-up: Lindsay Russell/Peter McWilliams co-skips, James Martin, Haydn Cave and Bob Arnold.

One game winners: Michael Dady, Laurie Bell, Robyn Coulson and Elaine Williams.

Midweek bowls was played at Koo Wee Rup on Thursday with 24 happy bowlers happy to be back with their midweek family after a week's break.

As usual, the happy banter could be heard across the greens. We even had new players join us at midweek. Asked

afterwards if they enjoyed the day, they were very happy and will play again. They certainly enjoyed the company.

The green was in good condition but a little slow. The weather was kind to us with just a slight breeze which made playing very pleasant. As we are now in our winter program, just a reminder that our game starts at 11am so please be at the club no later than 10.20am in order to give the organisers time to prepare.

The bowls points were as follows: winners 35pts, runners-up 34pts and one game winners 23pts.

Thank you to David Talbot and Luke Monkton for looking after us and tending to all our needs. Next week we will be playing Lang Lang, and please remember winter program time. For more information, contact Peter McWilliams on 5678 5974 and he will be happy to answer your questions.

WONTHAGGI

ANOTHER good week at the club. On Tuesday we held our AGM which was successful with all positions being filled and presentations were made.

Club Person of the Year was awarded to Lorraine Stanes for her tireless work over many years. There will be photos on our Facebook page plus the club website of all the presentations.

Wednesday saw a good number of bowlers take to the greens on a day where the weather was good for bowls. Teams of three and four lined up for two games of ten ends.

The winners were a team of four being Hans Bischofberger, Arts Smuts, Wally Leijen and

Frank Cimino with a score of 2 wins and 30pts.

The runners-up were Veronica Griffiths, Rod Beech and Caroline Donohue with a score of 2 wins and 29pts. Good to see bowlers making use of the greens for a practice and a catch up with other bowlers.

Bowls this week: Wednesday social bowls at 12.30pm, Friday coaching at 10am and Saturday social bowls at 12.30pm.

Don't forget Friday night drinks as it is always good to catch up with other club members for a chat.

WONTHAGGI INDOORS

THE tradition continues with the Mardan Indoor Bowling Club.

Recently, we celebrated 64 years of friendship between Mardan and the United Indoor Bowling Club Wonthaggi.

This year it was Mardan's turn to visit Wonthaggi. After a welcome cup of tea, the teams were announced with a combination of both clubs in each team. The format for the night was three games of eight ends. At the conclusion of the three games there was only one team that won all three games. The team consisted of Mary Tumino (Mardan) and Lia Smith and Allan Ireland (Wonthaggi).

After bowls were completed, teams sat down to a wonderful supper which was enjoyed by all.

Just a reminder that United will recommence on Wednesday, May 26, at 7pm.



Wonthaggi bowls Wednesday winners Hans Bischofberger, Arts Smuts, Wally Leijen and Frank Cimino.



Club Person of the Year at Wonthaggi was awarded to Lorraine Stanes.



10 Boys with team manager Sindy Boyd and coach Alex Dixon.



10 Girls with coach Felicity Fox.

Junior Wildcats and CBL presentation



12 Boys coach Nick McKenzie, Jack Berry (most improved), Zac Fowles (coaches award), Rhys Grist MVP and Zac Mabilia (assistant coach).



12 Girls coach Rory Butters, Zahli Dixon (most improved), Ruby Ogilvy MVP and Olivia Maddocks (coaches award).



14 Boys, from left, Charlie Boulter (coaches award), Nate Pugh MVP, Zach Coz (coach) and Harry Whelan (most determined)



16 Boys, from left, Lucas Allen MVP, Hayden Simcock (16.2 runner-up MVP), Dellis Humphrey (16.2 MVP), Bill Jeffs (coach). Absent: Archie Terlich and Jhett Brown.

KORUMBURRA Basketball Association was pleased to hold the Junior Wildcats presentation on Sunday, May 1.

It was great to celebrate the season with all the teams together.

Once again, we had another successful season with most of our teams making grand or semi-finals at Country Championships and our 16 Girls taking out the Division 1 title, making them the number 1 team in Country Victoria. Not bad for our small association up against some of the regional cities such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo, etc.

Congratulations to all the players for the season and in particular the following trophy recipients.

12 Girls: MVP – Ruby Ogilvy, Most Improved – Zahli Dixon, Coaches Award – Olivia Maddocks.

12 Boys: MVP – Rhys Grist, Most Improved – Jack Berry, Coaches Award – Zac Fowles.

14 Girls: MVP – Chloe Ogilvy, joint runners-up MVP – Ruby Mewett, Juliet Stacey, Coaches Award – Julia Lindsay, 14.2 Runner Up MVP – Tara Zealley, 14.2 Coaches Award – Bridget Eaves.

14 Boys: MVP – Nate Pugh, Most Determined – Harry Whelan, Coaches Award – Charlie Boulter.

16 Girls: Joint MVP – Krystal Arnason, Joint MVP – Chelsea Fox, Most Determined – Lara Gill, Coaches Award – Macy Peterson.

16 Boys: MVP – Lucas Allen, runner-up MVP – Archie Terlich, Most Consistent – Jhett Brown, 16.2 MVP – Dellis Humphrey, 16.2 runner-up MVP – Hayden Simcock.

18 Girls: MVP – Ella Cocksedge, runner-up MVP – Kylah James, Coaches Award – Amber Walker.

18 Boys: MVP – Zac Mabilia, runner-up MVP – Xavier Lindsay, Most Improved – Julian Callahan.

Junior Service Award, awarded to players who have played all their rep basketball with KBA from Under 12s to Under 18s, Asha Boyd, Felicity Fox and Kylah James.

Referee of the Year: Chosen by our ref coordinator and this year's winner is Charlee Walker.

Bill Jeffs Coach of the Year: Recognising the fantastic work of our volunteer coaches, awarded to Chloe Hogg.

Korumburra Recreation Centre Service Awards: The Korumburra Recreation Centre Management Committee recognised two of their long-standing members for over 30 years of enduring commitment. Congratulations to Marg Harper & John Murdica.

Roberts Family Club person of the Year: Korumburra Basketball Association would like to congratulate Caz Allen on receiving the Roberts Family Club person of the Year. Caz is the domestic co-ordinator and does a mountain of work to make sure that the domestic season runs smoothly all year.



14 Girls, from left, back, Chris Ogilvy (assistant coach), Chloe Ogilvy MVP, Ruby Mewett (joint runner-up MVP), Juliet Stacey (joint runner-up MVP), Sid Mewett (coach); front, Julia Lindsay (coaches award), Bridget Eaves (14.2 coaches award), and Tara Zealley (14.2 runner-up MVP).



16 Girls, from left, Lara Gill (most determined), Macey McGlead (assistant coach), Krystal Arnason MVP, Chloe Hogg (coach), Chelsea Fox MVP and Macy Peterson (coaches award).



18 Boys Jay Walker (assistant coach), Zac Mabilia MVP, Julian Callahan (most improved), Xavier Lindsay (runner-up MVP) and Matt Kennewell (coach).



18 Girls, from left, Travis James (coach), Amber Walker (coaches award), Ella Cockedge MVP, Kylah James (runner-up MVP) and Erin Maskell (assistant coach).



Junior service awards, from left, Asha Boyd, Felicity Fox and Kylah James.



Referee of the Year went to Charlee Walker.



Bill Jeffs Coach of the Year went to Chloe Hogg.



Roberts Family Clubperson of the Year went to Caz Allen, with KBA secretary Kate Lindsay presenting the award.



Korumburra Recreation Centre service awards went to John Murdica and Marg Harper.

Jarrahd Cicero secures state surf championship for U16 Boys

THE third round of the Woolworths State Junior Surfing Titles was held last weekend at Jan Juc with epic 2-3ft offshore lines.

Jarrahd Cicero and his brother, Rye, both of Sandy Point, obtained enough points in the final round to secure their position on the State Surfing Team (U16) which will represent Victoria at the Australian Junior Surfing Titles November 26 – December 3 at North Stradbroke Island in Queensland.

"I feel so happy to

win the state championship as there are some really great surfers in my division," Jarrahd said.

"I'm really excited because it means I will be going to nationals with the Victorian team and my brother."

Jarrahd and Rye both missed the opportunity to represent Victoria, as part of the state team, at the Nationals last year due to the Queensland border closures.

"It will be great to be there with Australia's best Junior surfers."



After three rounds, Jarrahd Cicero has secured the state championship for the Under 16 Boys.

Tom McNish takes road race win

WITH plenty of interest in Europe's grand tours at the moment, there was a good response to the Leongatha Cycling Club's local road racing last Sunday morning.

The club was trialling a new format, drawing on the European experience, with the route half bitumen, half gravel on a circuit around the Outtrim Reserve.

And coming up trumps was all-rounder Tom McNish who dominated the race, riding away for a clear win over Brett Franklin in second and new rider Chris Bailey in third.

On Sunday, May 22, starting at 10am, the same style of racing will be conducted. All welcome.



Chris Bailey on his mountain bike laps the circuit at Outtrim on Sunday.

SPORTING BRIEFS

Sky clears for Koonwarra parkrun

KOONWARRA parkrun started with a message from our regular, wonderful, course checker Lisa Reilly.

She reported that the course was looking good, but the day was clearly going to be a muggy one.

By 7.45am, as the 50 enthusiastic participants arrived at the picnic table, the mugginess had turned to a drizzle and the timekeepers got the brollies out.

The rain didn't persist and by the time run director Jason tooted the hooter to start the event, it had already dried up.

Conditions on the course were clearly good for running as the first to cross the finish line was Luke Nicholson in 16:16.

A fantastically fast time and a PB for Luke who is an occasional visitor to Koonwarra.

There were three other improving runners who came over the line with a PB.

Chris Winning who is a new regular at Koonwarra, ran his 200th parkrun – an unofficial milestone. Most of his runs were made at Berwick, but since moving to Korumburra, he now calls Koon-

warra his home run.

There were four first time visitors to Koonwarra, who clearly enjoyed our magnificent course and the camaraderie of our regulars. It looked like their well-behaved dogs enjoyed the outing as well.

Big thank you to all of the volunteers who make this free weekly event happen.

If you want to join in the fun of volunteering and are not sure what to do, just have a chat to the RD and the volunteers on the day and they will tell you all about it and help you with the task.

Westernport Field & Game results

WESTERNPORT Field & Game held its monthly shoot on May 15 with 110 shooters attending. Two events were held on the same day. The Keith Toolley Memorial Side x Side with 48 competitors and the Mark Brenton Memorial Under/Over Handicap with 62 shooters.

Thank you to our sponsor Trodan Industries.

Overall scores Keith Toolley Memorial Side X Side Classic.

High Gun, Robert Passarin with a score of 66

Grade winners are: AA Grade 1st John Passarin

(60) 2nd Wade McGirr (59) 3rd Rhys Martin (43); A Grade 1st Matt Harris-Spencer (63) 2nd Anthony Ball (56) 3rd Peter Onley (55); B Grade 1st Peter Lemmon (53) 2nd Darren Weatherall (52) 3rd John Rooke (50); C Grade 1st Colin Nunn (36) 2nd Barry Hubbard (31) 3rd Manfred Striffhof (29).

Juniors: 1st Joel Passarin (52).

Ladies: 1st Danielle Pace (47) 2nd Sarah Fritsch (45).

Veterans: 1st Brent Wilkerson (50) 2nd Gordon Hart (46) 3rd Herman Pipito (43).

Mark Brenton Memorial Under Over Handicap 1st Ron Hibbert 73. 2nd Will Witkowski 73. 3rd Johnathan Whyte 71. 4th Ben Studham 69. 5th Brendan Goodman 69.

6th Brenton Irons 68. 7th Joseph Passarin 67.

Our next shoot will be held on Sunday, May 29, which is the Steve Bettini Memorial consisting of 100 targets, two-person team novelty event with nominations commencing at 9:30am. Clay target shooting is suitable for all genders, ages and fitness levels with juniors shooting for free.

Lighting up Mirboo North, Toora

NEW lighting will be installed in Mirboo North and Toora Recreation Reserves following a recent funding announcement.

\$200,000 has been allocated by the state government through the County Football Netball Grant Program which will join the \$116,570 provided by the federal government under the Building Better Regions Fund, \$183,430 from South Gippsland Shire Council and \$50,000 from both the Mirboo North and Toora Football Netball Clubs.

The funding will enable the old lighting to be removed and replaced with new LED lights that will be more efficient and better meet current lighting standards.

"We are excited that the new lighting that can now be installed at the recreation reserves and would like to congratulate both football netball clubs for the significant work they undertook on their applications," Mayor Cr Mohya Davies said.

"This lighting project would not have been possible without support from all levels of government and the hard work of local community members. This is a great outcome for our community."

\$40,000 for sport and recreation

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council has established a Sport and Recreation COVID Fund to help sporting clubs and recreation reserves to recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

Funding of up to \$1000 excluding GST is available to eligible applicants to promote community connection and social inclusion, to increase sporting and recreation opportunities and to help sporting clubs respond and recover from emergencies and disasters.

Not-for-profit sport and recreation groups and clubs based in South Gippsland are encouraged to apply.

Mayor Cr Mohya Davies said local sporting and recreation clubs had been significantly impacted by COVID, with many still struggling to return to full operation.

"We hope that the Sport and Recreation COVID Fund will provide additional support to these clubs and help them to build participation back to pre-COVID levels," Cr Davies said.

A total of \$40,000 is available and applications will be assessed as they are received. Applications will close when the funding allocation has been exhausted.

To find out more or to apply, please visit southgippsland.vic.gov.au/COVIDsupport.

The Sport and Recreation COVID grants are funded as part of South Gippsland Shire Council's COVID-19 Community Support Package.

Let kids be kids in sport

GIPPSPORT is calling a 'timeout' on poor on field and sideline behaviour.

According to GippsSport, in recent weeks throughout Gippsland, there has been lots of incidences of on field violence, poor sideline behaviour and abuse of umpires and officials.

"Parents all want their children to shine on the sports field. Yet there's nothing that will dull a child's sparkle more than having parents and spectators pressure them from the sidelines," the organisation stated.

"We go to adult sports events where the noise of the crowd masks all but the voices of those nearest us."

"We comment out loud at players' performances, roar at mistakes, and vocally urge our favourites to do better and go harder. We call it atmosphere."

"But at a child's sports event, we are likely to be one of only a few dozen spectators. When we scream instructions or yell in disgust, our child and other children on the field can hear every comment, and they know where it comes from."

"What they hear can have a marked impact on them for the rest of their sporting lives. Some may rise above it. Many can't."

GippsSport urges that kids should be able to have fun and "let kids be kids".

Hally umpires 600th game

ALTHOUGH the final 22 games en route to a remarkable milestone took an unexpectedly long eight years to cobble together, umpire Vin Hally officiated his 600th footy match on Saturday, May 7.

The long-term teacher and field umpire took charge of a West Gippsland Competition Fourths clash between Phillip Island and Inverloch.

He kept his achievement low key and, with a 9am start to the match, there were few people on hand to witness it.

But that didn't worry Vin, who finds umpiring a relaxing pursuit that enables you to focus completely on sport and leaves you tired but satisfied, knowing you've provided a community service.

The South Gippsland Umpires Association (SGUA) life member is still passionate about the future of the game and continues to mentor up-and-coming umpires.

After officiating his 600th match, Vin didn't take time out to celebrate, being on hand for the afternoon's senior action in the capacity of umpire observer and mentor.

By the next day, he was already back on the field with a whistle to his lips, officiating a veterans' match, undoubtedly able to relate to the aches and pains of many of the players.

A ruptured right quadricep was partly responsible for Vin's



Vin Hally, umpiring his 600th game, takes a moment to reflect on the milestone with fellow umpire Darren Wining.

slow progress towards the 600-game milestone in recent years.

That was followed by the diagnosis of a brain tumour in 2016, and the halting of footy during the pandemic, but he soldiered on when able and plans to continue in that vein.

"I hope to, as long as my body holds up," Vin said when asked if he plans to keep umpiring.

Asked if he's considered waving the flags instead, he said he recently did so for the first time and discovered it's a much tougher gig than he imagined.

But he said he was confident

he got all the decisions right.

As for his 600th game with the whistle, Vin reckons he went well with that too.

However, he admits that if you ask an umpire how he or she went, that's the response you will likely receive.

As has been widely discussed recently, there is a major shortfall of Aussie Rules umpires at community level, something that prompted the AFL's recent clampdown on players abusing or even questioning the umps.

Vin reckons that respect for umpires has improved since

he started out and that most people do the right thing.

He is always encouraging people to take up umpiring and ensuring they receive the necessary support to continue.

Vin stressed that the SGUA is an inclusive organisation that doesn't discriminate on the basis of gender and that girls and women wishing to umpire will find themselves in a welcoming environment.

He said a number of families have umpiring in their veins, with kids following their parents into the role.

His umpiring career started in 1984 in the Bass Valley Wonthaggi District Football League, initially running the boundary line, but it didn't take long before he was in the central role.

Vin would love to see new people come along to SGUA training sessions at the Leongatha Velodrome ground on Wednesday evenings, which start at 6pm.

Training is usually followed by a meal at around 8pm.

"You get paid to get fit," Vin said.

Anyone keen to learn the art of umpiring and join a sociable group is encouraged to contact the SGUA director of umpiring, Gary Scholz, on 0413 235 763.

The association can also be contacted by email at southgippslandumpires@gmail.com and has a Facebook page.

Warragul just outpoint Breakers

PLAYING their second game under lights for the season, the Bass Coast Breakers were keen to get off to a good start.

However, despite having a lot of the play, they couldn't get on the scoreboard - registering a single behind for the quarter.

The second quarter was much the same with effort in the back end and strong defence from Stacey Poke and Courtney Fletcher at half back not being rewarded with the ball being bombed into the forward line and subsequently turned over.

A bit of magic from Jenna Russo was the highlight of the quarter and gave the Breakers the narrowest of margins going

into half time. The opportunity for the snap goal started with Lisa Scharnberg whose pressure and attack on the ball was outstanding all game. Half time: Breakers 1.1-7 led Warragul 1.0-6.

Third quarter was another tight tussle with Kelly O'Neill continuing her dominance around the ground - providing a great target. A sweet snap from Immy Bradford got the visitors up and about.

The Breakers took that momentum into the last quarter and created plenty of opportunities but Warragul managed to hold them off.

While they couldn't get the four points, the Breakers will

take a lot from the match with the younger Breakers including Sunday Brisbane, Tess Wingfield, Immy Bradford leading the way in the midfield and Kate Caughey stepping up to first ruck duties.

Tayla Tatterson also slipped into full back nicely when injury reduced the team to 17 players.

Final score: Warragul 3.0-18 def Breakers 2.5-17.

Goals: J Russo, I Bradford.

Best: K O'Neill, J Russo, S Poke, L Scharnberg, T Tatterson, S Brisbane.

The Breakers play their first home game of the season against Coburg on Sunday, May 22 at 11.30am at Dalyston.



Coach Ella Angarane addresses the Breakers.

All Stars take home wins across the board

THE Southern Gippsland (AFL Gippsland) All Stars played their round three matches away at Traralgon on Sunday.

A lovely sunny day for footy was embraced by everyone.

Traralgon District hosted the matches and played competitively. However, Southern Gippsland fought hard across the day and were able to take home the win across all teams.

U13s: Traralgon District 52 defeated by Southern Gippsland 59; U14s: Traralgon District 26 defeated by Southern Gippsland 44; U15s: Traralgon District 26 defeated by Southern Gippsland 118.

Well done, Southern! Next matches will be hosted at Dalyston vs Central Gippsland on Monday, June 13.



In the Under 14s, Southern Gippsland's Hamish Withall catches up with a Traralgon player.



Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti of Essendon in action during the Round 3 AFL match between the Essendon Bombers and St Kilda Saints at Marvel Stadium in Melbourne, Saturday, April 3, 2021. Photo: AAP Image/James Ross)

Essendon football boss issues McDonald-Tipungwuti update

ESSENDON'S GM of footy Josh Mahoney says the Bombers need to see a commitment from Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti to get back to AFL level if they are to award him a new contract beyond 2022.

McDonald-Tipungwuti, 28, hasn't played a senior game for the club since Round 21 last year and took a leave of absence from the club in February.

The small forward returned to the fold earlier this year and has been working on getting his fitness back to AFL levels.

By Seb Mottram

However, despite early plans to have McDonald-Tipungwuti back in the first half of the year, Mahoney revealed those had hit a snag.

"He's making progress, but he was interrupted by a two-week break with COVID which probably pushed it back a little bit," Mahoney said on Sportsday.

"He just wasn't able to do the training that we need him to do, he's making some progress but he's still a bit away from the requirements to be able to perform at AFL level.

"We'll keep supporting him in that and hopefully we get there."

McDonald-Tipungwuti's best return came last year, kicking 34 goals at an average of 1.7 per game to be amongst the elite small forwards of the competition.

However, just one year on and coming out of contract at the end of 2022, Mahoney suggested potentially serious conversations are on the table with the Bombers star to work out what is "the best thing for him to do".

"At some stage, we will (make that decision on a new

contract)," Mahoney stated.

"He is out of contract, one of a number of players, and we've got to work with 'Walla' (McDonald-Tipungwuti) on what is the best thing for him to do... as we said before, we'll work hard with him to try and get him back to AFL level, he's now missed a fair chunk of time, the back half of last year and all of this year.

"So he hasn't played footy for a long period of time, we've got to know that he's committed to getting back and if he is, then we'll support him in doing that."

AFL "pressing ahead" with August start for AFLW season: Scott

By Nic Negrepontis

THE AFL's Head of Football Operations Brad Scott says the league is pushing ahead with an August start date for the upcoming AFLW season.

Frustrations are mounting within AFLW clubs given the lack of clarity around a set start date, as well as the length of the season and formality of lists, given the addition of four expansion sides.

The sixth season only concluded in April, with the league needing to sort out a new CBA on top of implementing Essendon, Hawthorn, Port Adelaide and Sydney from scratch.

"Our clear position is that we are preparing for an August start for season seven of AFLW," Scott told Sportsday.

"I think it is reasonable for all AFLW players and clubs to expect that that'll be the starting position for the season."

"Clearly the CBA has got to be worked through in terms of number of games and all those sorts of things, but we're pressing ahead."

"In Football Operations we're preparing for an August start, and we've communicated that to clubs."

Melbourne captain Daisy Pearce explained on Thursday some of the issues holding up the new CBA, revealing the league wants the season length to remain at 10 games for the next three years, despite expanding to 18 teams.

"At the moment it's been proposed that it would be a 10-week season over the next three years with no growth. 10 weeks felt okay for the 14 teams last year, it felt like you got a fair and reasonable outcome," the Dees veteran told SEN's Whately.

"With the 18 teams next season, from a legitimacy of the competition point of view, but also a player development point of view, you just need to be able to play more football, particularly if you're not playing in the senior side, the competition in its timeframe now won't align to many of the state competitions around the country."

"So you'll just not be playing. Again, for the product we need more games and also for your development as an athlete you need to be able to play."

"We want 12 (games) in the next season and then 14 in the season after that. I think most players would be accepting given the short turnaround that we don't have a lot of time to change things on a broad scale this year."

"If it was 10 and then we saw significant growth beyond that, I think most players would be satisfied by that."

"I think it's the fact that there's no growth in the length of the season, that's an issue."

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Foster 19 It Yinnar 63
MDU 17 It Hill End 39
Mirboo Nth 71 d Fish Creek 35
Newborough 53 d Boolarra 43
Stony Creek 6 It Morwell E 86
Tarwin 52 d Thorpdale 39

B GRADE

Foster 13 It Yinnar 45
MDU 48 d Hill End 44
Mirboo Nth 55 d Fish Creek 25
Newborough 44 d Boolarra 38
Stony Creek 23 It Morwell E 71
Tarwin 30 It Thorpdale 31

C GRADE

Foster 8 It Yinnar 56
MDU 43 d Hill End 25
Mirboo Nth 49 d Fish Creek 26
Newborough 30 d Boolarra 17
Stony Creek 23 It Morwell E 51
Tarwin 24 d Thorpdale 19

D GRADE

MDU 15 It Hill End 36
Newborough 30 d Boolarra 25
Stony Creek 22 It Morwell E 45
Tarwin 30 d Thorpdale 19

17 & UNDER

MDU 59 It Hill End 23
Mirboo Nth 18 It Fish Creek 31
Stony Creek 30 It Morwell E 52
15 & UNDER
MDU 26 d Hill End 24
Mirboo Nth 47 d Fish Creek 9
Newborough 23 It Boolarra 37
Stony Creek 19 It Morwell E 35
13 & UNDER
MDU 1 It Hill End 50
Mirboo Nth 37 d Fish Creek 4

» LADDERS

A GRADE

	%	pts
Toora	216.84	20
Mirboo North	177.42	20
Morwell East	256.57	16
Yinnar	151.67	16
Tarwin	129.93	16
Newborough	99.12	12
Boolarra	96.73	12
Fish Creek	72.25	8
MDU	84.41	4
Hill End	75.64	4
Thorpdale	63.29	4
Foster	45.74	4
Stony Creek	28.67	4

B GRADE

	%	pts
Toora	202.68	20
Morwell East	172.44	20
Mirboo North	163.35	20
Boolarra	121.53	20
Yinnar	163.45	12
MDU	110.31	12
Newborough	84.68	8
Foster	66.01	8
Thorpdale	63.55	8
Hill End	81.48	4
Fish Creek	77.18	4
Stony Creek	52.94	4
Tarwin	45.45	4

C GRADE

	%	pts
MDU	231.00	20
Newborough	190.00	20
Morwell East	185.39	20
Yinnar	166.07	16
Tarwin	151.76	16
Toora	128.00	16
Mirboo North	88.89	8
Boolarra	77.57	8
Fish Creek	92.47	4
Hill End	77.90	4
Stony Creek	59.49	4
Foster	17.86	4
Thorpdale	39.53	0

D GRADE

	%	pts
Mirboo North	209.59	18
Yinnar	186.59	18
Morwell East	171.21	16
Hill End	121.55	16
Tarwin	73.47	16
Toora	86.15	12
Boolarra	85.44	12
Newborough	84.38	12
MDU	56.91	8
Thorpdale	63.57	4
Stony Creek	64.19	0

17 & UNDER

	%	pts
MDU	226.67	20
Morwell East	146.24	20
Newborough	127.47	16
Tarwin	90.00	16
Mirboo North	111.26	12
Yinnar	109.57	12
Fish Creek	106.60	12
Toora	101.05	12
Stony Creek	53.06	4
Hill End	41.99	4

15 & UNDER

	%	pts
Toora	456.67	20
Yinnar	350.00	20
Thorpdale	286.96	20
Mirboo North	238.89	16
Boolarra	126.14	16
Morwell East	57.64	12
MDU	87.85	8
Hill End	71.22	4
Fish Creek	40.00	4
Newborough	36.13	4
Stony Creek	24.86	4

13 & UNDER

	%	pts
Mirboo North	686.67	20
Boolarra	557.14	20
Foster	229.41	20
Toora	120.69	16
Tarwin	4.76	16
Hill End	131.75	12
Fish Creek	69.88	8
MDU	4.91	4

* Scores for Korumburra v Cora Lynn matches were unavailable at time of printing. Ladders haven't been updated accordingly.

SPORT | NETBALL

Wonthaggi netballers a part of sporting history



The Grieve sisters - Jan, Wendy, Merran and Lesley - played netball together in the '80s and '90s.

FOLLOWING last week's article about whether history had been made when three sisters and their cousin played netball together for the same team in the same game ('It's in the blood at Wonthaggi Power'), we can confirm it's not the only time it has happened.

Lesley Legg and her three sisters played together in the '70s and '80s.

They played a key role in organising the local Wonthaggi Netball Association competition, as well as playing basketball.

They were the Grieve sisters - Jan, Wendy, Merran and Lesley.

Their mother umpired and, later on, their six daughters (all cousins) all played together in one team: Vicky, Peta, Amy, Nikki, Cheyne and Bec.



Cousins Nikki, Peta, Cheyne, Bec, Vicky and Amy played netball together 2007.



Maddy Burney, Hannah Kleevlen and Sukie Hodgson in action for Stony Creek against Morwell East. Photo courtesy of Gerard Bruning



Sarah Blundell held good defensive position in the second quarter against Nar Nar Goon. Z12_2022



Mirboo North's Ebony Best secures the ball in A Grade. Photo: Annie Holland.



Dalyston's Hannah Grenville looks composed, ready to pass over the Nar Nar Goon defence. Z09_2022

WEST GIPPSLAND

» RESULTS

A GRADE

Dalyston 37 d NNG 28

Garfield 26 It T-Dalmore 51

I-Kongwak 44 d Bunyip 38

KWR 12 It Phillip I. 73

B GRADE

Dalyston 19 It NNG 45

Garfield 29 It T-Dalmore 55

I-Kongwak 17 It Bunyip 43

KWR 28 It Phillip I. 48

Warragul 30 It K-Bass 58

C GRADE

Dalyston 25 It NNG 29

Garfield 35 d T-Dalmore 10

I-Kongwak 11 It Bunyip 39

KWR 12 It Phillip I. 19

Warragul 19 It K-Bass 46

D GRADE

Dalyston 34 d NNG 14

Garfield 22 It T-Dalmore 33

I-Kongwak 29 d Bunyip 28

KWR 29 d Phillip I. 28

» LADDERS

A GRADE

Tooradin-Dal. 179.61

Inverloch-K. 172.09

Phillip Island 157.75

Nar Nar Goon 142.31

Bunyip 178.43

Dalyston 138.82

*Kor-Bena 91.15

Warragul Ind. 56.81

Koo Wee Rup 32.94

*Cora Lynn 67.86

Garfield 67.62

LEONGATHA

UNDER 13: Award 1 – Georgia Hutchinson, sponsored by Gatha Pizza. Award 2 – Tahlia Lafferty, sponsored by Bakers Delight. Score: Leongatha 28 def Warragul 16. A brilliant effort by our parrots today! Goalers worked super well in the ring shooting beautifully, whilst our defenders and mid court worked hard intercepting and bringing the ball down the court. Awesome effort!

Under 15: Award 1 – Mackenna Anderson, sponsored by In the Arcade. Award 2 – Sari Hickey, sponsored by Bakers Delight. Score: Leongatha 64 def Warragul 11. Today's game was great! We put everything we practised at training into the game and executed it properly. Great game girls!

Under 17: Award 1 – Bronte Whyte, sponsored by Bairs Hotel. Award 2 – Kinesha Anderson, sponsored by Sweet Life Café. Score: Leongatha 27 def Warragul 18. Well done girls on working hard and adapting to the game which helped us come away with the win!

C Grade: Award 1 – Tegan Renden, sponsored by MVP Voyage Award. Award 2 – Belle Graham-Andrews, sponsored by Gatha Pizza. Award 3 – Ash Willis, sponsored by A.W Smith & Sons. Auction player – Emma Ton. Score: Leongatha 27 def Warragul 13. A fantastic game today girls! A little bit of rain couldn't stop us bringing the ball down the court smoothly. Great defensive pressure allowed us to make the most of the turnovers. A big game next week, bring it on!

B Grade: Award 1 – Stacey Giliam, sponsored by MVP BT Award. Award 2 – Kate Sperling, sponsored by In the Arcade. Award 3 – Zali Rogers, sponsored by Fettle & Joy. Auction player: Kate Sperling. Score: Leongatha 61 def Warragul 22. What an awesome team game girls! Great pressure all down the court, which showed on the scoreboard. Get pumped for next week girls, big game coming.

A Grade: Award 1 – Nicola Marriott, sponsored by MVP Hall Award. Award 2 – Hannah Flanders, sponsored by Bairs Hotel. Award 3 – Taylah Brown, sponsored by Sportsfirst. Auction player: Nicola Marriott. Score: Leongatha 66 def Warragul 33. It was the battle of the birds this week and the girls bounced back after a loss last week. Welcome back to Laura Higgins, let's hope we can welcome Lauren back next week.

MIRBOO NORTH

UNDER 13: MN 37 def FC 4. Best: Charlie Bickerton (MN-FNC Canteen). Coaches: Linc Chila (MN-FNC Canteen) & Amy Conlan (C&D Earthworks). A fantastic team effort this week; well done, everyone! Our transitions down the court were well-timed and seamless.

Under 15: MN 47 def FC 9. Best: Shaelah Johnson (Mirboo North Foodworks). Coaches: Poppy Maxwell (MN-FNC Canteen). Everyone played an absolute amazing game this week. The girls really stepped up, adapted to the changes and worked as a team to bring home the win. A big thank you to Indi and Mia for filling in.

Under 17: MN 18 def by FC 31. Best: Tarni Bartlett (Inter-

sports Traralgon). Coaches: Bella Cook (Mirboo North Foodworks). Shapes Award: Maddi Johnson. A tough game again this week. We had a great first half and we're goal for goal but in the second half, Fish Creek just got the lead on us. Better luck next week.

D Grade: Bye
C Grade: MN 49 def FC 26. Best: Connie Giardina (Lambleighs Cafe & Bar). Coaches: Janet Bradley (Mirboo North Foodworks). Finally, a well-deserved win for C Grade who've been battling injuries and illnesses the past few weeks! Well done girls!

B Grade: MN 55 def FC 25. Best: Emma Evans (Jimmy Jambs Cafe). Coaches: Racheal Vansittart (Mirboo North Foodworks) A slow start to the game, but we came out firing second quarter and we're consistent until the end of the final siren. The team applied good defensive pressure to cause lots of turnovers! Well done!

A Grade: MN 71 def FC 35. Best: Christina Stoertebecker (Mirboo North Foodworks). Coaches: Jessie Holland (Craig Young Butchers). It was great to have the whole team back out on court after a tough week. Great passages of play all over the court. So happy to see everyone playing their role.

MIRBOO NORTH (LDNA)

UNDER 11s: Mirboo North 9 goals defeated Mount Eccles 5 goals. An exciting match to watch – our girls started off down after the first quarter but worked well as a team and managed to create a comfortable win. Well done to all players. There were a lot of turnovers in this game, and I can see that we are learning from our mistakes and continually showing improvements. When we took our time with the ball, did not rush, and pushed our passes we kept possession of the ball. But most importantly it was great to see everyone working well as a team and having fun. Congratulations on your first win 11s.

Under 13: Three players struck down with illness & injury dealt our girls regular rotation a blow going down to a strong & well-rehearsed Mt Eccles, 24 – 14.

After a very even first half, we entered the main break only 2 goals down, but the Mt Eccles combo produced the true premiership quarter with 8 goals to 2.

To our team's credit they never gave in, putting in a solid last quarter staying in touch with their opponents 4 goals to 6.

Well done girls & get well soon, Al, Eve and Lily.

B Grade: The Bs continued their winning ways with a solid victory against the young up & coming Mt Eccles team. The Bs were dealt a similar blow to the 13's before the game, losing mid court gun veteran, Sharon, who was recovering from the previous week's win. A positive was the return of premiership player Sarah who weaved her magic through the mid court (WA), working in tandem with Lilly & Mary who were both making life as an Eccles goaller very difficult, with half time standing at 21 – 12. The third quarter was a true arm wrestle! Abb's McCool put in a sterling effort, having a

great game sinking 22 of MN's 34 goals.



Mia Blackwood passes the ball to a Poowong teammate in A Grade. Photo: Jeff Tull.



Hannah Accardi intercepts the ball en route to a Neerim South opponent in C Grade. Photo: Sheryl Walters.



Wonthaggi Power's Zali Anderson grabs this contested possession in the mid-court after being switched from defence to give the team a lift.



It was no place for the faint hearted as Olivia Gilmour drops into the hot spot to take this intercept possession during a close opening half against Traralgon.



Parrot Hannah Flanders looks for a passing option. A22_2022

ELLINBANK**» RESULTS****A GRADE**

Yarragon 13 It Trafalgar 67
N-Darnum 52 d Poowong 22
Neerim South 70 d Nyora 20
Buln Buln 32 It Ellinbank 48
Catani 76 d Longwarry 47

B GRADE

Yarragon 19 It Trafalgar 76
N-Darnum 58 d Poowong 47
Neerim South 55 d Nyora 29
Buln Buln 36 It Ellinbank 54
Catani 55 d Longwarry 21

C GRADE

Yarragon 21 It Trafalgar 31
N-Darnum 39 d Poowong 20
Neerim South 30 d Nyora 12
Buln Buln 28 It Ellinbank 55
Catani 23 It Longwarry 38

» LADDERS

A GRADE	%	pts	17 & UNDER	%	pts
Neerim South	351.58	20	Poowong	157.23	20
Trafalgar	197.83	20	Trafalgar	185.48	16
Ellinbank	173.66	16	Catani	114.52	16
Nilma Darnum	172.08	16	Nilma Darnum	100.83	16

Lang Lang	98.58	12	Lang Lang	103.77	12
Poowong	71.48	12	Ellinbank	96.41	10
Catani	96.97	8	Buln Buln	87.79	8
Buln Buln	77.39	8	Nyora	71.26	8
Nyora	58.53	4	Yarragon	71.05	8
Yarragon	35.73	4	Neerim South	65.28	4
Longwarry	67.09	0	Longwarry	73.13	2

B GRADE

Ellinbank	271.90	20	Yarragon	259.26	20
Buln Buln	150.68	20	Longwarry	220.59	20
Nilma Darnum	142.46	16	Buln Buln	221.84	20
Catani	112.21	16	Poowong	110.26	16
Trafalgar	142.63	12	Catani	127.66	12
Neerim South	131.71	10	Nilma Darnum	119.54	12
Lang Lang	91.89	10	Trafalgar	100.00	8
Poowong	62.42	8	Ellinbank	83.81	8
Nyora	68.92	4	Lang Lang	35.56	4
Yarragon	44.03	4	Neerim South	8.33	0
Longwarry	48.43	0	Nyora	127	0

C GRADE

Nilma Darnum	265.33	20	Trafalgar	228.85	20
Longwarry	180.34	20	Catani	129.47	18
Ellinbank	206.42	16	Nilma Darnum	122.73	16
Neerim South	173.63	16	Buln Buln	101.79	16
Buln Buln	135.29	16	Lang Lang	120.78	14
Catani	110.27	16	Yarragon	115.84	8
Lang Lang	69.50	4	Nyora	80.82	8
Trafalgar	66.87	4	Poowong	43.85	4
Nyora	51.33	4	Ellinbank	46.60	4
Poowong	43.85	4	Poowong	44.44	0
Yarragon	43.78	0			

GIPPSLAND**» RESULTS****A GRADE**

Drouin	52	d	Bairnsdale	28	
Leongatha	66	d	Warragul	18	
Maffra	30	d	Morwell	56	
Moe	74	d	Sale	27	
Traralgon	46	d	Wonthaggi	36	

B GRADE

Drouin	22	It	Bairnsdale	35	
Leongatha	61	d	Warragul	22	
Maffra	48	d	Morwell	34	
Moe	55	d	Sale	37	
Traralgon	63	d	Wonthaggi	26	

C GRADE

Drouin	26	d	Bairnsdale	10	
Leongatha	27	d	Warragul	13	
Maffra	38	d	Morwell	30	
Moe	30	d	Sale	37	
Traralgon	47	d	Wonthaggi	28	

» LADDERS

A GRADE	%	pts	17 & UNDER	%	

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» LEONGATHA FOOTBALL CLUB


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LEONGATHA WARRAGUL

Leongatha 3.4 7.9 14.11 16.13 (109)
Warragul 3.2 4.2 5.4 6.5 (41)

GOALS, Leongatha: Jack Ginnane, Justin

Pellicano 3, Tom Marriott, Timothy Sauvarin, Tallin Brill 2, Ned Hanly, Josh Hopkins, Jack Hume, Mason McGannon 1 each

BEST: Jake van der Pligt, Tom Marriott, Cade Maskell, Aaron Turton, Josh Hopkins, Sean Westaway

GOALS, Warragul: Jed Lamb 6

BEST: Jed Lamb, Nicholas Graham, Sean Masterson, Brayden Fowler, Brad Hefford, Mitchell Smart

RESERVES

Leongatha 5.5 11.9 15.17 20.21 (141)
Warragul 1.0 1.0 1.0 2.1 (13)

GOALS, Leongatha: Tom Crocker 5, Lachie Wright 4, Nathan Trotto, Blake Van Rooy, Jake Mackie 2, Jarrod Stewart, Adam Trotto, Luther Juric, Dylan Garnham, Jacob Lamers 1

BEST: Darcy Hume, Tom Crocker, Joshua Schelling, Jake Mackie, Adam Trotto, Lachie Wright

GOALS, Warragul: Joshua Fairfull, Jamie Somers 1 each

BEST: Joshua Dawson, Joel Kilday, Nathan Whitten, Jamie Somers, Tyran Lord, Connor Williamson

THIRDS

Warragul 2.0 6.2 8.7 9.9 (63)
Leongatha 1.2 2.3 3.5 5.5 (35)

BEST, Warragul: Patrick Carpenter, Todd Gowans, Patrick Ireland, Luke Garner, Lachlan James Smith, Xavier Olsson

BEST, Leongatha: Trent McRae, Wil Dawson, Nathan Skewes, Julian Callahan, Tyler Richards, Jett Clark

FOURTHS

Warragul 4.3 10.6 13.12 17.13 (115)
Leongatha 0.1 2.3 2.4 4.4 (28)

BEST, Warragul: Alby Phillips, Sam Heenan, Xavier Olsson, Riley Senini, Tarrant Cannon, Lucas Carter

BEST, Leongatha: Hamish Gill, Nathan Skewes, Kade Berryman, Blake McRae, Hayden Bowler, Hunter Fennell

» WONTHAGGI POWER FOOTBALL CLUB


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TRARALGON WONTAGGI

Traralgon 3.4 7.6 8.9 9.11 (65)
Wonthaggi 1.4 4.8 6.11 8.13 (61)

GOALS, Traralgon: Luis D'Angelo, Brett Eddy, Dylan Lopreste 2, Troy Forrest, Thomas McMahon, Matthew Northe 1 each

BEST: Mark Collison, Tom Schneider, Mitch Membrey, Luis D'Angelo, Thomas McMahon, Hugh Dunbar

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Tom Davey, Mitch Hayes 2, Joshua Bates, Jack Hutchinson, Jordan Staley 1 each

BEST: Mitch Hayes, Jordan Staley, Lochlan Scott, Aiden Lindsay, Tom Davey

RESERVES

Wonthaggi 2.5 5.9 6.13 17.14 (116)
Traralgon 0.0 2.1 4.3 4.3 (27)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Jye Gilmour 4, Tyson Andrigietto, Mitchell Davey 3, Ry Ennoss, William Lenehan, Wayne Luke, Thomas Murray, Elliot Staley, Jaxon Williams 1 each

BEST: Jye Gilmour, Thomas Murray, Jack Steinfurt, Joshua Schulz, Mathew Ware, Kieran Mohen

GOALS, Traralgon: Lachlan Davison, Joshua Palmer, Kade Ruyters, William Brent 1 each

BEST: Kade Ruyters, Rick Battista, William Brent, Joshua Palmer, Tyson Tangi, Tarquin Crosby

THIRDS

Traralgon 3.0 4.5 6.9 12.9 (81)
Wonthaggi 3.0 3.2 3.3 5.5 (35)

BEST, Traralgon: Cooper Brown, Baxter Kennedy, Tom Said, Rhyley Guiney, Jesse Siddle, Tyler Anderson

BEST, Wonthaggi: Ethan Dickison, Hunter Tiziani, Kyle Yann, Cade Brown, Jai Williamson, Matrix Chisholm

» IN OTHER GAMES

SENIORS

Bairnsdale 19.11.125 d Drouin 10.10.70
Maffra 11.11.77 d Morwell 9.12.66
Sale 10.13.73 d Moe 8.13.61

RESERVES

Bairnsdale 11.14.80 d Drouin 3.4.22
Maffra 14.7.91 d Morwell 6.7.43
Sale 10.4.64 d Moe 5.4.34

THIRDS

Bairnsdale 7.12.54 d Drouin 8.5.53
Maffra 7.11.53 d Morwell 3.10.28
Sale 8.11.59 d Moe 7.11.53

FOURTHS

Drouin 6.7.43 d Bairnsdale 4.9.33
Maffra 16.16.112 d Morwell 4.6.30
Sale 9.6.60 d Moe 7.14.56

The ball was fiercely contested all day with Wonthaggi Power's Troy Harley getting first hands on the ball but with Mitch Membrey trying to spoil.



Traralgon's Dylan Lopreste caused problems for Wonthaggi Power early, kicking their first two goals and having a hand in others as he got free around the flanks.

Traralgon refloats season at Wonthaggi's expense

WHEN the Traralgon Creek burst its banks in June last year, sending more than a metre of muddy water cascading through the Maroons' clubrooms, it was the last straw after two COVID-ravaged seasons.

It wasn't until last Saturday's match of the day against Wonthaggi Power, with the clean-up complete and portable facilities in place, that they were able to run out of their own rooms again for the first time in nearly 12 months.

And Traralgon celebrated a return to some sort of normality with a hard-fought victory over Wonthaggi, who nonetheless had plenty of chances of win.

Jordan Staley marked and played on for the first goal of the game, but it wasn't until halfway through the last quarter that the Power hit the front again such was the perseverance of the home side.

Jarryd Blair and Travis Krause were back in for Jye Gilmour and Josh Schultz and Blair's trademark in-and-under work was immediately evident.

Wonthaggi's forwards were applying good forward pressure with the likes of Mitch Hayes, Jack Hutchinson, Troy Harley and Jakeb Thomas in the play, but Traralgon soon equalised through a lively Dylan Lopreste who snapped the team's first on the run.

Wonthaggi's Steven Scott had his hands full with Lopreste who received a pass from Tom McMahon for his second a few minutes later



Wonthaggi Power ruckman Toma Huther rises high to take this mark in a tightly-contested match against Traralgon on Saturday.

and Traralgon stayed in front for the next three quarters.

Mitch Hayes was providing the visitors with plenty of drive on the clubrooms' wing, getting caught with the ball at one stage but making up for it with two contested possessions soon after.

After a collision between players, which left Traralgon's Tye Hourigan con-

Lindsay and Sparkes faced off against Hamilton, Collison, a creative Luis D'Angelo and Schneider.

At the first change, Jarryd Blair stressed the players needed to control the ball better when they were in possession and warned the forwards to be aware of Traralgon dropping numbers back.

There were no goals in the first 12 minutes of the second quarter with Wonthaggi's defenders much better organised; Fergus O'Connor on Forrest or Hamilton, Tim Knowles on his opposite number, Lochie Scott on Northe, Steve Scott much tighter on Traralgon playmaker Lopreste and Dean McRae covering the dangerous Brett Eddy.

But it was Traralgon who broke through with the next goal, to D'Angelo before Mitch Hayes answered, and just when it looked like Wonthaggi were getting on top in general play, Traralgon finished the quarter with three more goals to open up a handy lead... a winning lead.

Wonthaggi actually hit the front at the 15-minute mark of the last quarter and had two gilt-edged chances to extend their lead from set shots, but it was the home team which took its chances to score the winner late in the day; the margin four points in Traralgon's favour.

For Wonthaggi, it was definitely 'the one that got away' and the important loss leaves them exposed to the chasing pack of Traralgon and Maffra.

GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS

ROUND 6						ROUND 6						ROUND 6					
SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	pts	FOURTHS	W	L	%	pts			
Leongatha	6	0	271.49	24	Maffra	6	0	190.11	24	Traralgon	5	0	433.07	20			
Maffra	5	1	159.72	20	Warragul	4	1	280.14	16	Maffra	5	0	252.30	20			
Sale	4	2	102.27	16	Traralgon	4	2	166.17	16	Bairnsdale	4	2	208.59	16			
Wonthaggi	3	2	115.74	14	Bairnsdale	4	2	112.95	16	Warragul	3	2	226.26	12			
Traralgon	3	3	146.20	12	Moe	4	2	70.80	16	Moe	2	4	87.18	8			
Maffra	3	3	115.79	12	Leongatha	3	3	75.22	12	Leongatha	2	3	72.49	8			
Morwell	2	4	75.97	8	Drouin	2	4	90.81	8	Drouin	2	3	45.84	8			
Warragul	1	4	62.21	6	Morwell	1	5	76.59	4	Sale	1	4	43.64	4			
Bairnsdale	1	5	57.90	4	Traralgon	1	5	68.35	4	Morwell	0	6	16.52	0			
Drouin	1	5	51.97	4	Drouin	1	4	38.08	4	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0			



Traralgon Reserves players Ollie Turnbull and Ben Gafa show the height of muddy floodwaters from the Traralgon Creek which broke its banks last June, damaging hundreds of homes and the football-netball clubrooms.

Why it was 365 days between drinks

THERE'S a toilet and one shower that the Traralgon footballers aren't supposed to use, left in their old rooms.

The netballers, let's be honest, have never had decent facilities at Traralgon so the catastrophic Traralgon Creek flood of June 2021 could end up being a blessing in disguise for them.

But, after clearing away the mud and mess left in and around the dilapidated player facilities at the Whittakers Road Reserve, adding a village of potables, and getting the necessary approvals, sport was back at the Traralgon Recreation Reserve last Saturday.

It had been exactly a year, 365 days to be precise, since the players had been able to run out of their own rooms and they celebrated with a

hard-fought, four-point win over Wonthaggi.

But the battle's not over, according to Traralgon FNC President Kevin Foley, who spoke to the Sentinel-Times after umpiring the Reserves' game on matchday.

"The floodwaters came up to here," he says, showing the level, almost a metre up the wall of the players' rooms.

Filthy mud and slush cascaded past players' lockers, through the whole facility, leaving a building that might have been, should have been condemned.

"The whole project's going to cost \$10.2 million. We've only got \$4.75 million so far, including the \$2.75 million from the State Budget but no amount of local fundraising is going to bridge that gap," he said.

"We'll probably launch an appeal for extras later, but it needs a contribution from the Federal Government now."

Mr Foley said the '\$10 million Traralgon Flood Recovery' project brief included a flood-proof multi-use pavilion, where the Tony Lane Stand and changerooms was presently located at the Traralgon Recreation Reserve and a new community hub and events space at Glenview Park.

"You've seen what we've had to do to get the football and netball back here again. The project is desperately needed."

But, despite the fact that it's a 'shovel-ready' flood-recovery project, neither side of Federal politics has so far pledged the money, only days out from the election.

Westy plays game 200

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"Everyone's staring at me, everyone's calling my name," he was thinking as he waited for his opportunity to celebrate the occasion in style.

He was delighted with the win, saying he couldn't have asked for anything more, before adding that a goal would have been nice.

"It just never curved enough," Westaway said of his now famous behind.

He reckons it's probably 10 years since he notched the last of his three senior goals.

Westaway has played all his footy for Leongatha, starting in the Under 12s.

The occasion of his 200th built from the eve of the game as Westaway was inundated with messages of congratulations, and running though his milestone banner was a special moment.

"They're just fantastic people and it makes me want to keep coming back," he said of everyone at the club.

Westaway plans to continue pulling on a Parrots jumper for as long as his



Sean Westaway is the centre of attention during the Leongatha club song. A20_2022

body holds up, so there may be some more noteworthy milestones on the horizon.

While the scoreboard appeared to lose all relevance by the last term, it recorded a handsome 68-point win for the still unbeaten Parrots.

Jake van der Pligt and Tom Marriott were named the winner's top performers, with Westy squeezing onto the best players list.

Justin Pellicano continued to have an impact up

forward, booting another three goals for the Parrots, a contribution matched by teammate Jack Ginnane.

While the home crowd's focus was on the bloke who almost kicked a goal, Warragul's Jed Lamb played a gallant hand up forward, booting the Gulls' entire six majors, continuing his outstanding season.

At Parrot park, though, memories of Westaway's famous near miss and his storied contribution to the club will last much longer.



Stony Creek's Hayden Funnell gets his boot to the ball despite pressure from Morwell East's Eric Semmler, Patrick Carte and Isaac Abas. Photo courtesy of Gerard Bruning

Stony Creek look to improve

THE Lions returned to their home ground just seven days after taking the scalp of a finals contender in Yinnar on the Magpies' home ground.

Their weekend clash against a bird of another kind in the Hawks was going to be every bit as tough as any they had played this year.

Morwell East, after an early season stumble, had already shown improvement were on the way, but at various times their coach had been frustrated with what he saw his side do and what he knew his side was capable of doing.

The Hawks 5-10-40 to Stony Creek 4-9-33, was a result that was satisfying but still a way off where they wanted to be.

Back to the start though, and with dark clouds in the sky and some light rain earlier in the day, both teams were hoping to come out of the gates strong, with a strong show of force for two clubs vying for positions on the ladder.

Stony Creek looked like it would open the scoring up early, with shots on goal coming a plenty, but missed opportunities and some strong defensive work from Morwell East able to keep them at bay. After a brief early play in the Stony Creek forward 50, the game turned into to-and-fro between the arcs, with most of the play through the middle. Morwell East were able to capitalise in front of goal and go into quarter time 6 points ahead.

The second quarter was much of the same as the first, with the arm wrestle between the 50s, and low scoring the result, with both sides only adding a single goal to their accounts, and the margin staying the same as the teams headed into the rooms for half time, both understanding that it was anyone's game.

Both teams showed they were willing to work hard, after the main break, with the weather clearing and turning into prime football conditions. The scoreboard reflected this as both teams showed determination in the back halves to keep scoring low, and pressure high. A late goal to Morwell East put them two goals up heading into the last change, but it was still up for grabs.

A quick opening goal to Morwell East pushed the scores out, and it looked like all was lost for Stony Creek. But a reply came soon after, with still two goals being the difference. Both sides midfields working overtime to snatch the game from the clutches of the other team. A late goal to Dylan Zuidema from Stony Creek looked to put the

game well into the balance, but it was too little too late.

Morwell East coach Devon Soutar said: "It was a real grind in the first half with an inability to complete the play going forward and our turnovers fuelling opposition opportunities. We were able to break away in the third and that breathing room allowed us to control the game and speed in the closing stages."

For Stony Creek, after some very clear improvement this season, the loss put a stop to real momentum the Lions had been starting to build.

Stony Creek coach Jai Accardi said: "We were pretty much outplayed, outworked and out coached by Morwell East. At times, we worked our butts off to get the ball and then we handed it straight back to them with either poor disposal or poor decision making; there is plenty to work on with a week off before we take on an in-form Foster."

The week off might be a blessing for a team that has a lot to offer and as coach Accardi has pointed out, also gives them every opportunity to bounce back in a fortnight's time against Foster.

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» STONY CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB



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Morwell East 1.3 2.4 4.8 5.10 (40)

Stony Creek 0.1 1.4 2.6 4.9 (33)

GOALS, Morwell East: Nicholas Grainger 3,

Matthew Cunningham,

Robert Michaelides 1 each

BEST: Brandon Francis, Lucas Towns,

Shaun Barnes, Robert Michaelides,

Patrick Quinn, Dylan Field

GOALS, Stony Creek: Ossy Brennan, Cooper

Cary, Darren Granger, Dylan Zuidema 1 each

BEST: Hayden Funnell, Matt Brown,

John Phillips, James Monaghan,

Mitchell Nicholas, Anthony Dyke

RESERVES

Morwell East 2.0 7.1 7.1 10.3 (63)

Stony Creek 2.2 4.5 7.8 7.9 (51)

GOALS, Morwell East: Ben Marks 4, Zac Brown,

Brayden Darby-Lock, Brad Gibson,

Dustin Heyden, Bailey Nikodemski,

Shannon Winmar 1 each

BEST: Jake Birchall, Brayden Darby-Lock,

Rhys George, Ryan Carlson, Brad Gibson,

Kaleb Chapman

GOALS, Stony Creek: Jakeb Pronk,

Ash Zuidema 2, Glenn Gray,

Andrew Richardson, Nick Svenson 1 each

BEST: Glenn Gray, Nick Svenson, Jakeb Pronk,

Player, Ash Zuidema, Angus Wright

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

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» MDU FOOTBALL CLUB


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MDU HILL END

MDU 1.2 2.4 5.6 6.7 (43)
Hill End 3.4 4.7 4.8 5.12 (42)

GOALS, MDU: Michael Smith 2, Thomas Corry, Timothy Harris, Stephen Hawkins, Jake McMillan 1 each

BEST: Toby Goss, Ryan Giliam, Tyson Findlay, Samuel Wilson, Michael Smith, Fraser Kelly

GOALS, Hill End: Jay Ladson, Chase Saunders 2, Luke Mulqueen 1

BEST: Harrison George, Ben Kerrigan, Luke Mulqueen, Jay Ladson, Bayley Paul, Aaron Fawcett

RESERVES

MDU 2.2 5.4 5.4 7.9 (51)
Hill End 1.4 2.5 4.6 5.9 (39)

GOALS, MDU: Benjamin Heppell 3, Max East, Jacob Proctor, Yani Zorzos, Aaron Trease 1 each

BEST: Aaron Trease, Travis Ruedin, Daniel Campbell, Jacob Proctor, Matt Olden, Wayne Stewart

GOALS, Hill End: Nicholas Roberts, Lachlan Answer, Bailey Stewart 1 each

BEST: Joshua Hammond, Liam Cumiskey, Michael Van Weel, Matthew Van Tilburg, Bailey Stewart

THIRDS

MDU 7.3 13.4 15.8 22.10 (142)
Hill End 1.0 2.1 5.3 6.3 (39)

GOALS, MDU: Jesse Helms, Rhys Weaver 4, Kyra Helms, Brody McEwan 3, Angus Kemper 2, Eddie Colwill, Tadhg Dennehy, Lachlan Hibberson, Jacob Whiteside 1 each

BEST: Jesse Helms, Brody McEwan, Thomas Neal, Finn Dunn, Harry Avison

GOALS, Hill End: Liam Cumiskey 3, Nicholas Roberts 2, Darcy Rees 1

BEST: James Balfour, Mark Ferguson, Oscar Robinson, Matthew Balfour, Nicholas Roberts



MDU secured a narrow victory in the Mid Gippsland Football Netball League at the weekend. Photos: Phil Smith.



It was a close contest all-day between MDU and Hill End on Saturday.

MDU secures narrow win



MDU's win at the weekend could be season-defining for the Demons.

MDU had been keen to return to their home ground and show a healthy home crowd what they were capable of against one of the better sides in the competition.

Just seven days earlier, the Demons had given a start to Mirboo North and fallen just points short after chasing hard for most of the day.

This week the plan was to put the pressure on the visitors from the first bounce and try to keep them at arm's length for the afternoon and that is exactly what happened, with MDU 6-7-43 edging out Hill End 5-12-42, the win by just a point, maybe season-defining for the Demons.

MDU coach Peter Harris described it as a cracking contested game of football from both sides.

"Our boys stuck to our game plan and were then able to execute it in the last half," he said.

"It was nice to finally be on the right side of a close one."

Pre-season premiership favourites Hill End realise that this season is as tough as it gets, and playing your best football sometimes isn't enough; somewhere, somehow, clubs are going to have to find more than they currently have.

Hill End coach Mike Santo said: "We played some superb footy early and then believed we were better than we were currently. Credit to Peter and his side, they had a game plan and beat us the next three quarters. They spread well from stoppages and took away our strengths and they deserved the win. Our inaccuracy and lack of discipline is becoming a real issue for us, hopefully it's a wakeup call."

There won't be the opportunity for too many second chances for Hill End, or for any side for that matter.

Ferocious Sharks prove comfortable winners

UNBEATEN, on top of the ladder and at home, the Sharks strolled into the weekend confident another win was on its way.

Tarwin is just one of a handful of clubs slowly making the improvements necessary to have success both on and off the field, and it was also keen on not letting Thorpdale stand in the way of what they want to achieve especially at Shark Park.

Tarwin comfortable winners 26-12-168 to the Blues 6-9-45.

The Sharks actually trailed at quarter time before they really turned on the afterburners, kicking 10 goals in the second quarter, eight in the third and finishing the game off with six more goals in the last in a truly dominating performance.

Tarwin coach Troy Hemming said it was a great team effort from the boys, with ev-

eryone playing their role and smiles all-round.

The Sharks should be pleased with themselves too, unbeaten in their first four matches of the season and sitting on top of the MGFNL ladder, it's been a dream start for the new coach and the Tarwin club.

Thorpdale, it seems, still have some work to do. They have been gallant even in defeat and would have gone into this match believing they were

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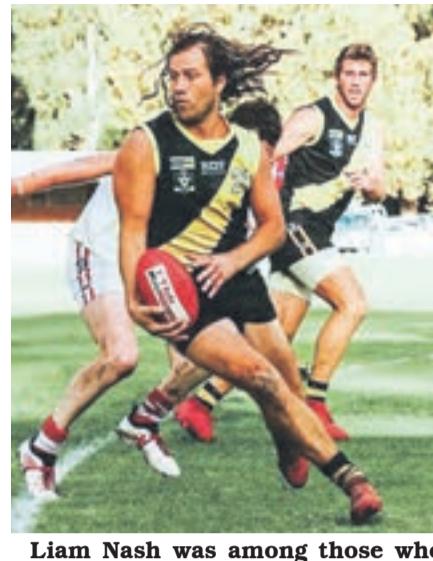
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Josh Taylor in action for the Mirboo North Tigers against Fish Creek. Photos: Annie Holland.



Liam Nash was among those who helped keep the Kangaroos at bay. Photos: Annie Holland.

Tigers prevail by 3 points in thriller

AFTER knocking over MDU the previous week by four points, Mirboo North prevailed against Fish Creek by three points at Tigerland on Saturday — in a match containing more twists and turns than a cheap garden hose.

To add to the atmosphere, a bumper crowd came to the game and although there was heavy cloudiness, the wind and rain obligingly stayed away.

As pressure built throughout the contest and the ball went hither and thither within the oval, those who dithered, simply withered on the vine.

It was the mighty Tigers' fifth victory by four points or less from their past 16 home and away encounters since 2019.

The vagaries of Mid Gippsland's 13-team competition saw Fish Creek on the road again for a third consecutive week and Mirboo North hosting three clashes in a row.

As with all footy matches, mistakes were due to human error, with a bit of bad luck thrown in for good measure.

Fish Creek started unassurably after recent travails at Meeniyan and Morwell East — with three of Mirboo North's four opening quarter goals

By Rover, Mirboo North FNC

coming via free kicks, that included two 50-metre penalties.

Although Mirboo North established an early 18-point advantage, Fish Creek readjusted itself and closed the gap to five points by quarter-time.

Talented teenager, Beau Peters — who makes football look so easy to play — was brilliant in defence for Mirboo North with four outstanding overhead marks and several ground ball intercepts during the first term.

Other Tigers helping to keep the Kangaroos at bay were Rhys Kratzat, Joel Lambourn, Joe Brooks, Liam Nash, Harley Foat and Jacob Blair.

Mirboo North's accuracy in front of the big white sticks was exceptional and by the long break the Tigers had booted seven goals without a miss.

As well, the home side was frequently combining intrinsic transitioning with precision foot passing, directly into teammates' bread baskets.

Just when Mirboo North seemed to have Fish Creek's measure, Sam McGannon, booted the Kangaroos' fourth goal and a narrow miss from

Adam Bright reduced the Tigers' half-time lead to 15 points.

The third term began with Hudson Kerr slamming through Mirboo North's eighth straight goal, but soon after, disaster struck for the Tigers.

Tempers became frayed near the scoreboard, that resulted in Lambourn being yellow-carded until three-quarter time.

After the Tigers' on-field stocks were reduced to 17, the Kangaroos, with a spare player on the loose, immediately hopped into action, quickly gaining the momentum and trailed by two points at the last change.

Fish Creek's accountability in defence, creative innovation through the midfield and fast contested ball breakaways had halted Mirboo North's forward thrusts.

Two Fish Creek goals quickly came off Darcy Berryman's boot from a 50-metre penalty, then a free kick — before Bright sensationally snapped the Kangaroos' seventh major from a near-impossible angle.

With Kairon Dorling, Tom Cameron and Jack Hayes seizing the initiative, Fish Creek's dominance was in-

creasing and the Kangaroos' confidence became problematic for Mirboo North.

When Berryman — one of the Kangaroos' engine room prime movers — brilliantly outmanoeuvred two opponents and kicked his third major on the run, Fish Creek hit the front 11 minutes into the final quarter.

Then, in a rearguard foray, Kerr found Ethan Woodall with a precise left-foot pass and the youngster's gun-barrel-straight 45-metre set shot, restored Mirboo North's lead.

It was followed by the Tigers' 10th and last goal from Lambourn — courtesy of a 50-metre penalty and Mirboo North was eight points clear after 15 hectic minutes.

Play was stopped for nearly five minutes when Fish Creek's Owen Schnoor was crunched in a pack and stretchered from the ground, after injuring his back.

With no one left on its interchange bench, Fish Creek bravely battled on with a closing goal coming from Jack Hayes following another 50-metre penalty, that saw the Kangaroos fall agonizingly short of victory.

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» MIRBOO NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB

» FISH CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB



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MIRBOO NORTH

FISH CREEK

Mirboo Nth 7.0 8.1 8.1 10.3 (63)
Fish Creek 4.3 7.5 7.5 9.6 (60)

GOALS, Mirboo North: Hudson Kerr, Liam Nash, Josh Smith 2, Joel Lambourn, Josh Taylor, Shane Peters, Ethan Woodall 1 each

BEST: Beau Peters, Liam Nash, Hudson Kerr, Rhys Kratzat, Joe Brooks, Harley Foat

GOALS, Fish Creek: Darcy Berryman 3, Adam Bright 2, Jack Hayes, Trevor Hooker, Sam McGannon, Jordan Shaw 1 each

BEST: Kairon Dorling, Thomas Cameron, Jack Hayes, Jarrod Walker, Adam Bright, Lachlan Gale

RESERVES

Fish Creek 3.0 7.0 9.3 10.3 (63)
Mirboo North 1.4 5.5 6.6 8.7 (55)

GOALS, Fish Creek: Anthony Wilson 4, William Brydon Waldren, Ben Corrie 2, Liam Howard, Bradley Perks 1 each

BEST: Owen Straw, William Brydon Waldren, Liam Howard, Nicholas Buckland, Max Howard, Bradley Perks

GOALS, Mirboo North: Andrew Soplakow 4, Patrick Aveling, Seth Cropley, Lachlan Dight, Jake Brown 1 each

BEST: Lachlan Dight, Benjamin Leach, Patrick Lewis, Andrew Soplakow, Rory Peter, Jesse Peters

THIRDS

Mirboo North 4.6 7.11 9.12 13.12 (90)
Tarwin/Fish Ck 0.1 0.2 2.2 4.2 (26)

GOALS, Mirboo North: William Lewis 6, Ethan Woodall 3, Tarmah Little 2, Daniel Masters, Reid Melbourne 1 each

BEST: Beau Melbourne, Reid Melbourne, William Lewis, Daniel Masters, Beau Kratzat, Harrison Reville Gent

GOALS, Tarwin/Fish Ck: Zak Bright 2, Shea Griffin, Jackson Morgan 1 each

BEST: Lane Bowman, Joseph Rysko, Brandon Bell, Archie Moore, Max Maverick Woodham, Jackson Morgan

» FOSTER FOOTBALL CLUB



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FOSTER

YINNAR

Foster 4.1 5.1 6.1 10.1 (61)
Yinnar 2.2 3.5 6.5 7.7 (49)

GOALS, Foster: Billy Flavelle 3, Will Mattingley, Lachlan Rathjen 2, Matthew Clark, Michael Green, Mitchell Green 1 each

BEST: Billy Flavelle, Will Mattingley, Todd Bastion, Matthew Clark, Craig Wray, Oliver Lemchens

GOALS, Yinnar: James Dowling 2, Ben Cheffers, Matt Dyke, Dean Johnson, Dean Linton, Harrison McColl 1 each

BEST: Nathan Rowley, Ned Marsh, Matt Dyke, Matt Williams, Damian Yates, Jack Deen

RESERVES

Yinnar 6.5 11.9 14.13 19.19 (133)
Foster 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 (0)

GOALS, Yinnar: Shane McColl 6, Patrick McGrath 4, Josh Bugeja 3, Tige Renwick 2, Peter Duncan, Matthew McCafferty, Stuart Patten, Mitch Renwick 1 each

BEST: Luke Linton, Shane McColl, Thomas Russell, Tige Renwick, Patrick McGrath, Daniel Yates

BEST, Foster: Jai Prain, Caeleb Garlick, Zach House, William Cashin, Jason Midwinter, Lee Hulse

THIRDS

Foster 1.3 4.6 6.6 8.9 (57)
Yinnar 1.2 3.2 5.4 6.5 (41)

GOALS, Foster: Harrison Garlick, Reghan Lewis, Will Roffey 2, Leevi Lidstone, Kurtis Storr 1 each

BEST: Harrison Garlick, Khy Davy, Darby Hoskins, Lachlan Lewis, Caeleb Garlick, Flynn Lomax

GOALS, Yinnar: Parker Mason, Will Xerri 2, Ethan Sultana, Keegan Zielecki 1 each

BEST: Ryder Makepeace, Ethan Sultana, Flynn Schill, Zac Schill, Parker Mason, Clancy Mills

» IN OTHER GAMES

SENIORS

Newborough 9.12.66 d Boolarra 7.8.50

RESERVES

Newborough 12.14.86 d Boolarra 3.6.24

Tough win for Foster on their home deck

LEADING into round 5, sitting ninth and seventh on the ladder respectively, Foster and Yinnar are a perfect example of two sides that could finish anywhere from top three to bottom three depending on a series of fortuitous wins or conversely a number of unfortunate losses.

On the weekend, it was a confident Tigers at home coming off a win over Newborough confronted by a Magpies side desperate to

bounce back into the winners' circle after a most disappointing loss at the hands of Stony Creek.

The home side, with their radar in place, was almost perfect in front of goals, which proved to be the difference.

Foster was too good, winning 10.1-61 to Yinnar 7.7-49.

Foster coach Sam Davies said: "It was a tough win against good opposition who really challenged us and were

on top for half the game, a really important win in such an even competition."

It's a win that now puts Yinnar on the back foot and with some work to do before they can gather some momentum moving forward.

Foster coach Daniel Taylor said it was a tough day.

"To Foster's credit, they had the game on their terms, we got to work throughout the second and third quarters and felt like we were the

better side, but to Foster's credit we were still unable to play our brand, and one undisciplined act late in the third quarter changed the momentum for the rest of the game.

"We're just not good enough for long enough at the moment, which is disappointing."

And that's the point: it takes only one act, one bad decision and not only can a club lose a match, it can affect a season, and that's MGFNL 2022.

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS

ROUND 5

SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	pts
Tarwin.....	4	0	200.49	20	Newborough.....	5	0	429.27	20	Mirboo North.....	5	0	296.63	20
Morwell East.....	3	1	132.57	16	Tarwin.....	4	0	424.47	20	MDU.....	4	1	235.71	16
Hill End.....	3	1	137.56	14	MDU.....	5	0	307.63	20	Foster.....	3	2	168.98	12
Boolarra.....	2	1	103.98	14	Yinnar.....	4	1	385.21	16	Yinnar.....	3	2	160.00	12
Newborough.....	3	2	140.00	12	Morwell East.....	3	1	258.45	16	Hill End.....	0	5	24.53	0
Stony Creek.....	3	2	106.93	12	Toora.....	3	1	237.24	16	Tarwin/Fish Creek.....	0	5	21.47	0
Foster.....	2	2	104.52	12	Boolarra.....	2	2	81.82	12	Stony Creek.....	0	0	0.00	0
Yinnar.....	2	3	128.01	8	Fish Creek.....	2	3	52.94	8	Newborough.....	0	0	0.00	0
Fish Creek.....	2	3	116.08	8	Stony Creek.....	1	4	48.30	4	Toora.....	0	0	0.00	0
MDU.....	2	3	114.09	8	Hill End.....	1	4	45.06	4	Boolarra.....	0	0	0.00	0
Mirboo North.....	2	3	62.50	8	Foster.....	0	4	7.39	4	Thorpdale.....	0	0	0.00	0
Thorpdale.....	1	4	49.90	4	Mirboo North.....	0	5	30.14	0	Mirboo East.....	0	0	0.00	0
Toora.....	0	4	31.51	4	Thorpdale.....	0	5	16.32	0					

ELLINBANK & DISTRICT LEAGUE RESULTS

RND 6

» POOWONG FOOTBALL CLUB



Poowong 5.9 9.18 18.22 27.26 (188)
Nilma Darnum 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.1 (7)

GOALS, Poowong: Alex Henshall 7, Steven McInnes 5, Jack Hazendonk 4, Alex Doria 3, William Robertson, Cody Loughridge 2, Kurt Newton, Thomas Robertson, Jayden Sullivan 1 each

BEST: Alex Henshall, William Lumby, Joshua Harvey, Cody Loughridge, Mitchell Vanthof, Jed Benham

GOALS, Nilma Darnum: Korey Garrison 1

BEST: Korey Garrison, Sebastian Crowle, Jeremy Jarred, Harley Lacunes, Brady Einsiedel, Oxley Huson

RESERVES

Poowong 2.1 5.5 6.6 12.9 (81)
Nilma Darnum 0.0 1.0 1.0 2.2 (14)

GOALS, Poowong: Brian Kelson 4, Mitchal Whiting 4, Brian Jefferis 2, Cole Attenborough, Gavin Broad 1 each.

BEST: Gavin Broad, Mitchal Whiting, Tarkyn Taylor-Wilton, Reece Attenborough, Noah Peacock, Brian Jefferis.

GOALS, Nilma Darnum: Harrison Moore, Kyle Robinson 1 each.

BEST: Corey Wright, Brandon Rose, Justin Dessent, Harrison Moore, Dane Johns, Aaron Maynard.

» NYORA FOOTBALL CLUB



Neerim South 3.4 6.6 13.8 20.14 (134)
Nyora 1.4 1.4 2.5 4.5 (29)

GOALS, Neerim South: Kody Wilson 5, Lachlan Bambridge, Josh White 3, Luke Kinder 2, Cooper Clancy, Rhys George, Ashley Lockett, Eddie McGillivray, Josh Morrison, Tyssen Morrow, Chris Urie 1 each

BEST: Kody Wilson, Josh White, Tyssen Morrow, Cooper Clancy, Alexander Johnston, Ashley Lockett.

GOALS, Nyora: Jesse Heylen, Adam Jamieson, Max Mattock, Scott Pugh 1 each

BEST: Kallan Rigby, Brodie Anderson, Jack Rosenow, Dylan Heylen, Max Mattock, Angus McGillivray

RESERVES

Neerim South 3.5 9.8 14.11 19.16 (130)
Nyora 0.3 0.3 1.3 1.3 (9)

GOALS, Neerim South: Mitchell Sayburn 5, Chris Saunders 3, Toby Bayne, Mathew Churchill, Harry Notman, Thomas Pollard, Henry Tyers 2, Timothy Beaureain 1

BEST: Chris Saunders, Harry Notman, Toby Bayne, Mitchell Sayburn, Christian Robertson-Edgar, Mathew Churchill

GOALS, Nyora: Shaun Lamb 1

BEST: Joel Anderson, Lincoln Brock, Shaun Lamb, Marvin Sellars, Daniel McDonald, Jacob Zwiersen

» IN OTHER GAMES

SENIORS

Trafalgar 11.5.71 d Yarragon 7.15.57
Ellinbank 12.7.79 d Buln Buln 5.12.42
Longwarry 13.13.91 d Catani 7.6.48

RESERVES

Trafalgar 16.10.106 d Yarragon 3.6.24
Ellinbank 12.8.80 d Buln Buln 8.7.55
Longwarry 17.22.124 d Catani 2.4.16

THIRDS

Neerim South 13.25.103 d Longwarry 0.2.2
Ellinbank 11.16.82 d Buln Buln 3.3.21

FOURTHS

Longwarry 4.11.35 d Neerim South 2.3.15
Ellinbank 7.11.53 d Buln Buln 3.5.23
Yarragon 12.9.81 d Trafalgar 3.5.23



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Magpies demolish Nilma Darnum

By Geoff Wyatt,
Poowong FNC

POOWONG travelled to Nilma Darnum on the weekend.

The ground and conditions were excellent for football. There were no juniors as Nilma Darnum does not field juniors.

Poowong added Lachie Green to their side to replace Jameel Knecht, who was unavailable.

Poowong Seniors played four quarters of disciplined football, working hard all day to kick their highest score for many years 27.26.188 to Nilma Darnum 1.1.7 - a 181-point victory to help the club's percentage.

Poowong's forwards' discipline was good with nine goal kickers: Alex Henshall 7, Steven McInnes 5, Jack Hazendonk 4, Will Robertson and Alex Doria three each, Cody Loughridge 2 and one each to Jayden Sullivan, Tom Robertson and Kurt Newton.

A great effort by all players across the ground and a real confidence booster to tackle undefeated Neerim South at Poowong this coming Saturday.

Nilma Darnum battled hard on the day but could not match Poowong Seniors.

The good news: Nilma Darnum was able to field Seniors and Reserves teams - a good sign for the future.

Poowong Seniors are fifth on the ladder, four points behind Longwarry, but we have a better percentage after round 6 so a big game this week against Neerim South.

The Reserves with a few new faces defeated Nilma Darnum 12.9.81 to 2.2.14.

The Reserves worked hard in a team effort; keep up the good work.

The Netball came up against some good Nilma Darnum sides. They got the better of us on the day but there was one surprise result. Great to see Dee Chivaroli awarded 'Volunteer of the Week' for her work with the netballers. Well done, Dee.

Local footy scores online do not work as efficiently as previously; are we trying to promote country football or bury it? Come on, without the local papers you would not know the games are being played.



Caspian Jackman-Riches disposes of the ball before this tackle from a Nilma Darnum opponent in the Reserves. Photo: Jeff Tull.

Saints work hard against very heavy odds



Aidan Simmons in action for the Nyora Saints. Photo: Sheryl Walters.



Jesse Heylen sends the ball flying despite an approaching Neerim South opponent. Photo: Sheryl Walters

ELLINBANK & DISTRICT LEAGUE LADDERS

ROUND 6

SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	pts	FOURTHS	W	L	%	pts
Neerim South	5	0	376.16	20	Neerim South	5	0	1193.48	20	Neerim South	5	0	1505.88	20	Longwarry	5	0	686.96	20
Trafalgar	4	1	220.87	16	Ellinbank	5	0	273.55	20	Ellinbank	4	0	257.69	16	Yarragon	5	1	305.70	20
Buln Buln	4	2	162.74	16	Lang Lang	4	1	328.10	16	Yarragon	2	3	69.34	8	Neerim South	3	2	170.07	12
Longwarry	4	1	120.66	16	Trafalgar	4	1	238.07	16	Buln Buln	2	3	41.33	8	Ellinbank	3	1	102.19	12
Poowong	3	3	213.36	12	Longwarry	3	2	234.41	12	Longwarry	1	3	52.89	4	Lang Lang	1	3	36.88	4
Lang Lang	3	2	182.74	12	Nyora	3	3	68.53	12	Lang Lang	0	5	33.89	0	Trafalgar	1	3	33.65	4
Ellinbank	3	2	132.68	12	Buln Buln	2	4	156.17	8	Poowong	0	0	0.00	0	Poowong	1	3	29.27	4
Yarragon	2	4	108.05	8	Poowong	2	4	68.04	8	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0	Buln Buln	0	6	34.72	0
Nyora	2	4	51.24	8	Yarragon	2	4	54.70	8	Yarragon	0	0	0.00	0	Catani	0	0	0.00	0
Catani	0	6	23.81	0	Catani	0	6	9.21	0	Catani	0	0	0.00	0	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0
Nilma Darnum	0	5	12.55	0	Nilma Darnum	0	5	7.28	0	Nilma Darnum	0	0	0.00	0	Nilma Darnum	0	0	0.00	0

Goon's winning streak continues

NAR Nar Goon successfully maintained their unbeaten start in 2022 as they convincingly outplayed Dalyston in their Round 6 clash.

In cool but fine conditions the Goons, with the benefit of 3 to 4 goal wind, quickly cranked into gear with Brendan Hermann jagging a goal with a long roost in the first 45 seconds.

Fielding a taller and more robust line-up they were up and about early and consecutive goals to Mitch Homfray and Hermann with his second had them looking very settled ten minutes in.

Dalyston battling hard, had their own share of possession only to be denied time and again by James Cairns who was marking everything at centre half back.

Despite not posting a score in the first term the home team seemed to have quelled the Goons. Young Louie Armstrong was strong in defence while Clay Tait and Chris Murfett had plenty of the ball. However, when Troy McDermott, third in line, marked and goaled late, it took some polish off the Magpie's efforts.

With the change of ends came Dalyston's chance to make some impression. Initial forward thrusts went unrewarded before Clay Tait playing on from outside 50 threaded a ripper for his team's first.

The Magpies pressure and tackling was very good but went mostly unrewarded as the umpires were happy to let both teams battle it out.

For the first fifteen minutes the Goons had found it just as difficult to contend

with the wind but finally their Pakenham recruit, Dermie Yawney using his nous broke the deadlock with a running goal. And further goals to McDermott and Homfray resulted through Nar Nar Goon working the ball by hand to the teeth of goals.

Six plus goals down, Dalyston knew things wouldn't be any easier in the second half. Doggedly their defence repelled the Goons early forays. Hayden Wallis used as full-back for the day alongside Brendan Walsh and Omar Oshkar were keeping the Goons honest.

An arm chop rewarded Matt Homfray the Goon's first goal of the third and big Yawney added his second. Nar Nar Goon had a clear margin now and there would be no miracle comeback.

To the Magpie's credit they dried up most of their opponent's scoring opportunities conceding only two further goals for the game.

Unenviably in Round 7 they now face the might of the all-conquering Phillip Island at their kennel. While the Goons will look to chalk up their season's seventh consecutive victory against The Industrials at Warragul.

TOP RIGHT: Mooman Amin takes a mark under pressure in the first quarter with Dalyston yet to score against Nar Nar Goon. Z15_2022

BOTTOM RIGHT: Nar Nar Goon's Brendan Hermann was a handful all day for Dalyston. He was the Goon's early catalyst, kicking two first quarter goals. Z16_2022



WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION RESULTS

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» DALYSTON FOOTBALL CLUB



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NAR NAR GOON

DALYSTON

Nar Nar Goon 4.2 7.3 10.5 11.7 (73)
Dalyston 0.0 1.1 1.1 2.5 (17)

GOALS, Nar Nar Goon: Mitchell Homfray 3, Brendan Hermann, Matthew Homfray, Troy McDermott, Dermott Yawney 2 each

BEST: James Cairns, Brendan Hermann, Trent Armour, Sam Blackwood, Matthew Homfray, Brent Hughes

GOALS, Dalyston: Clay Tait, Mooman Amin 1 each

BEST: Hayden Wallis, Louis Armstrong, Lachlan Wright, Jye Loughridge, Michael Marotta, Clay Tait

RESERVES

Nar Nar Goon 3.1 5.7 5.8 8.14 (62)
Dalyston 0.3 1.3 3.3 3.3 (21)

GOALS, Nar Nar Goon: Cooper Pursell 3, Nicholas Bransgrove 2, Ryan Doolan, Tom Ferrari, Kayne Somers 1 each

BEST: Euan Grierson, Ryan Orridge, Nicholas Bransgrove, Kayne Somers, Ben Cross, Jeffrey Poels

GOALS, Dalyston: Blake Carew, Joshua Wright, Shoab Akbar 1 each

BEST: Robert Davey, Joshua Wright, John Armstrong, Andrew Magro, Jack Legione

THIRDS

Nar Nar Goon 4.7 10.10 13.16 16.20 (116)
Dalyston 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.1 (1)

BEST, Nar Nar Goon: Brody Allen, Riley Sutherland, Mason McGregor, Hammer Berreen, Bayley Tytler, Sam Coleman

BEST, Dalyston: Leit Bellaart, Ryda Kay-Darts, Keyva Kay-Darts, Noah Martin, Jett Orpin, Harry West

FOURTHS

Dalyston 2.1 5.2 6.3 9.4 (58)
Nar Nar Goon 2.0 2.0 2.2 2.3 (15)

BEST, Dalyston: Noah Forrest Mabilia, Max Connell, Riley Brinkman, Edward Wines, Lincoln Harris, Heath Womersley

BEST, Nar Nar Goon: Toby Cramer, Jack Tyler, Chace Parker, Mason Walker, Sebastian Ladbrook, Sam Bonadio

» KILCUNDA-BASS FOOTBALL CLUB



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WARRAGUL IND

KILCUNDA-BASS

Warragul Ind 6.2 10.7 14.12 22.13 (145)
Kilcunda-Bass 2.0 4.2 5.5 7.6 (48)

GOALS, Warragul Ind: Mason McGarry 10, Kyle Beveridge 3, Anthony Bruhn, Michael Debenham 2, Todd Beck, Will Gibson, Jackson Mockett, Kyle Staples, Luke Walker 1 each

BEST: Mason McGarry, Kyle Beveridge, Nic Visser, Matthew Herbert, Will Gibson, Michael Ablett

GOALS, K-Bass: Marcus Baxter 4, Dale Crawford, Nathan Foote, Dale Gawley 1 each

BEST: Nathan Foote, Thomas West, Marcus Baxter, Cam McKenzie, Dale Crawford, William Speed

RESERVES

Warragul Ind 6.5 14.9 19.15 22.20 (159)
Kilcunda-Bass 0.1 1.2 1.3 2.8 (20)

GOALS, Warragul Ind: Harmit Singh 10, Troy Kneebone 4, David Andriwon 3, Todd Watson 2, Shane Ingham, Tyler Irving, Noah Glen 1 each

BEST: Harmit Singh, Todd Watson, Jack Commodoer, Lachlan Willis, Shane Ingham, Noah Glen

GOALS, K-Bass: No players named.

BEST: No players named.

FOURTHS

Warragul Ind 5.2 9.4 13.6 16.12 (108)
Kilcunda-Bass 0.0 0.1 1.1 1.2 (8)

GOALS, Warragul Ind: Declan Burton, Arli Flemings, Alixander Tauru 3, William Brewer, Benjamin Smith, Cameron Thompson 2, Regan Awty 1

BEST: Declan Burton, Campbell Gibbons, Cody Templeton, Tom Cornwall, Alixander Tauru, Cameron Thompson

GOALS, K-Bass: Jye Sutherland 1

BEST: Jye Sutherland, Finn Russell, William Campbell, Oliver Feather, Thomas Bartels, Angus Rosenow



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Panthers outpaced in the gloom at Warragul



That was pretty much the story of the day, Kilcunda-Bass often matching it with Warragul Industrials in general play but not having the legs to go with them when the packs broke. Here Dusties' Wilson McGillivray shows his opponents a clean pair of heels.

KILCUNDA-Bass found Warragul Industrials to be a fit, fleet-footed outfit when they met them at Western Park Warragul on Saturday and it was inevitable that the home side would ultimately run away with a big win.

And running in waves during the last quarter in particular, they often left the Panthers in their wake as they added eight goals to two in dark, overcast conditions to win by 97 points.

But, up until half time at least, even if the scoreboard didn't reflect the situation, Kilcunda-Bass had made a good contest of it.

They might not have finished their work off as well as Warragul, especially with the Dusties' defenders including Ablett, Herbert and McGillivray constantly clearing the ball with ease, but they certainly matched them at the stoppages and in contested situations.

Onballers Nathan Foote and William Speed in particular competed strongly with the likes of Visser, Gibson, Oldham and Brewster and even when the traffic was all one way in the last quarter, Nathan Foote kept running

passing to Marcus Baxter 'laces out' for a goal.

He then buttered up for a goal on the run after fine work by Cam McKenzie. They were good signs.

And it provided a lesson, according to coach Leigh Rowe, that improving fitness will see Killy-Bass in with a chance of winning more games in the later part of the season.

"I think we contested pretty well up until half time, but they had the superior fitness, and the margin blew out at the end," he said afterwards.

"But yes, for sure, we were up for the fight and battled the game right out which was pleasing."

Speaking in the rooms after the game, Rowe challenged his players to lift the level of their preparation during the next six weeks.

He said it was clear the team had the skills and determination to match it with the other sides, and by improving their fitness, they would be in more contests for longer.

"You can see what the problem is," he said.

Kilcunda-Bass have Cora-Lynn, IK and Bunyip before meeting Korumburra-Bena at Bass on June 11.

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» INVERLOCH-KONGWAK FOOTBALL CLUB

INVERLOCH-K 105 **BUNYIP** 46

Inverloch-K 2.4 6.8 12.12 15.15 (105)
Bunyip 0.1 1.5 1.6 6.10 (46)

GOALS, Inverloch-K: Oscar Toussaint, William Turner 4, Jamieson Soumilas 3, Xavier Hughes, Thomas Wyatt, Hayden Lindsay 1 each

BEST: Shem Hawking, Oscar Toussaint, Thomas Wyatt, Dylan Clark, Lachlan Johnson, Lachlan Scott

GOALS, Bunyip: Ashleigh Allen, Alexander Dijkstra, Dylan Gallasch, Xavier Kinder, Dylan Quirk, Jason Williams 1 each

BEST: Riley Rundell, Ryan Quirk, William Papley, Dylan Cann, Dylan Quirk

RESERVES

Bunyip 2.1 3.2 8.4 8.6 (54)
Inverloch-K 1.0 1.2 2.2 4.4 (28)

GOALS, Bunyip: Paul Carmody 3, Daniel Wright 2, Jake Buckingham, Dean Fitzgerald, Tom McLean 1 each

BEST: Anthony Haddrick, Ben Stewart, Paul Carmody, Daniel Wright, Dean Fitzgerald, Campbell Knight

GOALS, Inverloch-K: Mitch Hewitson, Tyler Leonard 1 each

BEST: Jacob Strickland, Player, Mitch Hewitson, James Lee, Stuart Kilsby, Emmet Taranto

THIRDS

Inverloch-K 3.3 9.7 12.10 12.10 (82)
Bunyip 1.0 1.1 1.1 1.1 (12)

BEST, Inverloch-K: Lucas Harmer, Isaac Seuren, Jed Rosenham, Callan O'Flynn, Rem Dal Pozzo, Ashton Hewitson

BEST, Bunyip: Branden Thompson, William Grummisch, Nate Vandenbroeck, Billy Jones, Finlay Pinkster, Matthew Interlandi

FOURTHS

Inverloch-K 0.2 4.4 6.6 7.9 (51)
Bunyip 0.2 0.2 1.6 1.6 (12)

BEST, Inverloch-K: Zac Mabilia, Player, Jobe Scapin, Zak Box, Rem Dal Pozzo, Patrick Dwyer

BEST, Bunyip: Samuel Grummisch, Kain O'Dwyer, Ethan Cooke, Alexander Bern, Tarrant Millar, Callum Kennedy

THIS WEEKEND'S DRAW

SATURDAY, MAY 21

» ELLINBANK ROUND 7

Trafalgar v Nilma Darnum
Poowong v Neerim South
Nyora v Lang Lang
Ellinbank v Yarragon
Longwarry v Buln Buln
Catani - BYE

» GIPPSLAND ROUND 7

Bairnsdale v Traralgon
Drouin v Moe
Maffra v Leongatha
Morwell v Wonthaggi
Sale v Warragul

» WEST GIPPSLAND ROUND 7

Bunyip v Korumburra-Bena
Kilcunda-Bass v Cora Lynn
Koo Wee Rup v Garfield
Phillip Island v Dalyston
Tooradin-Dalmore v Inverloch-Kongwak
Warragul Industrials v Nar Nar Goon

» MID GIPPSLAND ROUND 6

Boolarra v Mirboo North
Fish Creek v Tarwin
Hill End v Foster
Morwell East v Newborough
Toora v MDU
Yinnar v Thorpdale
Stony Creek - BYE

WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION

Cora Lynn 17.18.120 d Korumburra-Bena 4.7.31

Nar Nar Goon 11.7.73 d Dalyston 2.5.17

Tooradin-Dalmore 24.14.158 d Garfield 4.8.32

Inverloch-Kongwak 15.15.105 d Bunyip 6.10.46

Phillip Island 11.20.86 d Koo Wee Rup 5.10.40

Warragul Industrials 22.13.145 d Kilcunda-Bass 7.6.48

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Debutants dominate

By Aiden Box

INVERLOCH KONGWAK bled under 18s duo Will Turner and Hayden Lindsay and looked to get back on the winner's list against the travelling Bunyip.

The hosts started well, winning the first centre clearance and pushing the ball forward, although the slippery conditions made it tough to finish their work early.

Xavier Hughes finally broke through after multiple forward entries to claim the game's first major.

Kicking with a slight wind advantage, the Sea Eagles were inaccurate despite generating plenty of scoring chances.

The Bulldogs showed fight throughout the first term, repeatedly surging the ball forward, but were unable to break past Shem Hawking who was superb in defence.

The ball was locked in the 'dead pocket' where the wind blew for much of the quarter, making it tough for the hosts to score although their forward pressure was immense.

IK took a 15-point lead into the first break, having kicked the only two goals of the match through Hughes and Tristan Van Driel.

The Sea Eagles began the second term with fast ball movement through star midfielder Lachlan Scott, but again were unable to convert.

Bunyip amped up their pressure through the midfield and mounted a drive of their own, although the inaccuracy became contagious as they missed also.

Having missed last round, gun ruckman Marcus Toussaint picked up right where he left off, dominating the ruck contests around the ground and giving the IK midfielders first use.

Inaccuracy in front of goal continued to plague both sides, despite the slick, high-quality ball movement.

The visitors were able to create repeat forward entries through pressure and their wind advantage, with Will Papley cutting off a kick out, but his flying shot missed left.

Bunyip continued to press hard but could not find a major to show for their efforts.

Oscar Toussaint sparked a Sea Eagles transition thanks to a clever play, kicking the ball off the deck to clear



Sea Eagles debutant Hayden Lindsay gets pressured by Will Papley.

congestion, eventually finding the run of Joe Soumilas.

Soumilas placed it nicely into the hands of Van Driel who converted his set shot against the flow to kill the Bulldogs' momentum.

The debutants combined to get the hosts moving again, with Will Turner's smart handpass the highlight of the play, finished off by Oscar Toussaint in front of goal.

IK's defence was sensational again in the second, Bunyip held goalless through much of the term.

Another Sea Eagles entry almost ended in Turner's first, as Soumilas made sure of it at the goal line.

The hosts began to find their groove in the second, moving the ball from defence with ease thanks to two excellent contested grabs from Dylan Clark and Van Driel.

The latter was starting to be a problem for the visitors at centre half forward, racking up the score involvements and taking some telling marks.

The IK midfield was also giving the Bulldogs headaches, as Michael Eales showed his great ability in the ruck, and Turner continued to be dangerous inside forward 50.

Finally, late in the quarter Bunyip were able to work it down the grandstand wing and find their first goal of the afternoon through

Xavier Kinder on the run.

The late major cutting the Sea Eagles lead to 33 at the main break.

Third quarter scoring got underway thanks to a great shot by Thomas Wyatt from deep in the 'dead pocket'.

The hosts executed their forward press to perfection for much of the contest and Clark's tackle inside forward 50 led to Lachlan Johnson's first.

It worked again and Turner received a holding the ball free kick, giving him a chance to kick his first senior goal.

He converted from the pocket and flexed both arms in the air as his teammates swamped him from all angles in what was a magical moment in the match.

He didn't wait long to bag his second either, igniting the crowd and his teammates.

The IK pressure never receded, and Oscar Toussaint slotted another goal on the run thanks to a heads up tap from Turner.

Hawking kept up his scintillating form down back, taking another intercept possession and hitting Clark on the wing with an absolute pearly of a kick.

Clark found Toussaint for his second in a row and the hosts started to put the foot down as the lead grew to 72 going into the final break.

IK came out hard once

again in the fourth but were inaccurate early until a brilliant play from Soumilas and Turner in transition led to another Van Driel goal.

Conditions dried out and the ball movement accelerated, the ball pinballing between the 50 arcs.

Ashleigh Allen broke the stalemate with the Bulldogs' second major, sparking a resurgence in his side.

Through their own forward press the visitors were able to punch on four unanswered goals to trim the lead back to 54 points.

The Bulldogs dominated play in the final term, young gun Will Papley doing all he could to keep his side in it.

Turner's third goal broke the 'Dogs' run and absolutely delighted his mates behind the goals, extending the lead back to 60 points.

Bunyip managed to answer, but it was all too late for the visitors.

Turner was magnificent on debut, kicking four goals playing as a small forward showing he is comfortable at the level.

IK collecting the four points with a solid 59-point victory.

Their task will be harder this week as they travel up the highway to face unbeaten ladder-leaders Tooradin-Dalmore.

As for Bunyip, they will be back at home for a matchup with Korumburra-Bena.

Bulldogs run out 46-point winners

A TRIP up the road to Koo Wee Rup awaited the Phillip Island Bulldogs this week to visit the home of the Demons.

Whilst ladder positions show some gaps, the Demons always put up a hot, devilish contest, and nothing different was expected this week.

With several significant 'outs' both on and off the field, the Bulldogs entered the main game with two first-gamers (for the season) being Jack Opitz and Jesse Patullo. Oh dear, how do we tell these two Patullos apart again? One in defence and one in the forward line helped!

Backing up from the 18s for his first gig as runner, Brody Ross looked set to round-up players as and when required. He was to have a busy day!

After having seen an exceptionally tough encounter for at least the first half in the Reserves, a similar welcome was expected from the Demons Seniors.

A tricky wind favouring the scoreboard end prevailed in the mostly dry conditions. And a hot welcome indeed.

The Demons jumped out of the blocks and dominated the first quarter. With the defence under the pump led by Daniel Pearce, it was the defensive group that kept the Island boys within striking distance.

The second was just as fierce and the footy was hot! The Voss boys led the Demons and mid-way through the second the locals still had



Max Blake and Mark Griffin crunch their Demons' opponent in a marking contest. Photo: Carol Ratcliff/Phillip Island Football Club Images Facebook page.

the lead. A solid collision for Jason (Sauce) Tomada midway through the quarter saw the 'claret' flow, and a hasty patch up from the Bulldogs trainers followed.

A couple of late goals to the Bulldogs generated from excellent mid-field play from Eli Richards again dominating and combining with Captain Youle, and the Bulldogs led by six at the main break.

With the breeze still favouring the scoreboard end, a see-saw battle took place in the third. The Bulldogs

kicked the first scores, with the coach's bench relaxing ever so slightly. But then the Demons applied the heat again, kicking a couple of goals and entering time-on with scores locked together.

To reinforce how tough it was in the defensive quarter, another heavy collision saw the trainers busy with another round of 'claret' clean-up. A late goal to the Bulldogs, and a slim six-point lead at three-quarter time.

The last stanza started well with the Bulldogs at

last beginning to dominate and move the ball with some trademark precision into the forward line.

Enter Jordy Patullo and Jack Taylor. With Jordy kicking goals from long distance, and Jack creating opportunities across the forward line, combined with central heat from Zak Vernon and Cam Pedersen, the Bulldogs took over. Peppered the goals with five goals 11 in the last, the Bulldogs ran out 46-point winners over a fierce and gallant Demons effort.

Cora Lynn give the Giants a thumping

KORUMBURRA Bena toiled hard for its four goals in a tough away game against Cora Lynn, with the home side claiming an 89-point win.

The Giants went in undermanned with midfielders Bailey Patterson and Jay Walker unavailable due to injury.

Further setbacks occurred during the match with key defender Josh Westerman dislocating a shoulder late in the first term, and key forward Paul Fermanis suffering a hamstring injury around half time.

Korumburra Bena football operations manager Mat Walker said Cora Lynn came

out hard looking for its first win of the season and capitalised on the wind in the first quarter.

The Cobras built a 34-point lead during that period, holding the Giants goalless.

However, it was Cora Lynn's work against the wind that put the match all but out of the Giants' grasp by the half-way stage.

"They defended really hard in the second term," Walker said.

The Cobras not only restricted the visiting Giants to just 1.2 for the quarter, but created a number of oppor-

tunities against the breeze, managing 2.4 for that period.

With Korumburra Bena's depleted bench, a confident home side, and a seven-goal deficit, it was always going to be a battle in the second half.

Still, the Giants soldiered on in the third term, notching three goals, but couldn't score in the final quarter.

Small and quick midfielder Josh Hargreaves stood out for the beaten side.

Although normally a key backman, Darcy Hargrave battled hard through the mid-field being another Giant who could hold his head high.

Matthew Lello and Nick Besley were stoic in an undersiege backline.

Daniel Brown, Byron Walker, Bailey Nation and Fermanis were the Giants who got their names on the goalkickers list.

Jaxon Briggs and Nathan Gardiner evenly split eight goals between them for the victorious Cora Lynn.

Gardiner's wayward kicking helped prevent the margin blowing out further, with the Cobra spearhead at one stage having 3.9 against his name.

Cobra Chris Johnson was best afield.

WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION LADDERS

SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	pts av	FOURTHS	W	L	%	pts av
Tooradin-Dal	6	0	329.79	24	Tooradin-Dal	6	0	1946.81	24	Inverloch-K	6	0	1690.91	4.00	Inverloch-K	5	0	413.79	4.00
Nar Nar Goon	6	0	228.03	24	Phillip Island	6	0	386.43	24	Garfield	4	1	229.17	3.20	Warragul Ind	5	1	332.68	3.33
Phillip Island	6	0	211.30	24	Bunyip	5	1	220.79	20	Tooradin-Dal	3	1	327.21	3.00	Phillip Island	4	1	303.97	3.20
Inverloch-K	5	1	218.94	20	Nar Nar Goon	5	1	204.59	20	Cora Lynn	4	2	100.99	2.67	Garfield	4	2	119.31	2.67
Warragul Ind	4	2	157.02	16	Inverloch-K	3	3	122.18	12	Nar Nar Goon	3	2	111.97	2.40	Koo Wee Rup	4	2	114.46	2.67
Bunyip	3	3	123.94	12	Koo Wee Rup	3	3	115.99	12	Phillip Island	2	2	100.00	2.00	Kor-Bena	2	3	148.73	1.60
Koo Wee Rup	2	4	62.03	8	Warragul Ind	3	3	100.77	12	Koo Wee Rup	2	3	112.28	1.60	Dalyston	2	4	66.28	1.33
Cora Lynn	1	5	68.31	4	Cora Lynn	2	4	89.02	8	Kor-Bena	1	4	32.90	0.80	Kilcunda-Bass	2	4	34.89	1.33
Kilcunda-Bass	1	5	48.84	4	Dalyston	1	5	49.49	4	Bunyip	0	5	32.00	0.00	Bunyip	1	4	82.87	0.80
Dalyston	1	5	45.83	4	Garfield	1	5	32.84	4	Dalyston	0	5	7.52	0.00	Nar Nar Goon	1	4	44.06	0.80
Kor-Bena	1	5	38.97	4	Kilcunda-Bass	0	6	22.55	4	Kilcunda-Bass	0	0	0.00	0.00	Tooradin-Dal	0	5	6.84	0.00
Garfield	0	6	27.69	0	Kilcunda-Bass	0	6	12.12	0	Warragul Ind	0	0	0.00	0.00	Cora Lynn	0	0	0.00	0.00

WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION RESULTS

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» PHILLIP ISLAND FOOTBALL CLUB

	86		40
PHILLIP ISLAND			KOO WEE RUP

Phillip Island 1.2 4.6 6.9 11.20 (86)
Koo Wee Rup 2.3 3.6 5.9 5.10 (40)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Jordy Patullo 4, Cameron Pedersen, Jack Taylor 2, Harry O'Brien, Zak Vernon, Marcus Wright 1 each

BEST: Daniel Pearce, Jaymie Youle, Mark Griffin, Zak Vernon, Eli Richards, Cameron Pedersen

GOALS, Koo Wee Rup: Jason Wells 2, Bailey Galante, Kyle Nunn, Nathan Voss 1 each

BEST: Nathan Voss, Cosi Anagnostou, Matthew Voss, Nathan Muratore, Mitchell Davey, Archie Whitta

RESERVES

Phillip Island 1.3 1.6 5.9 11.13 (79)
Koo Wee Rup 2.0 2.1 2.3 2.4 (16)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Levi Robinson 5, James Nicolaci 2, Blake Christopher, Finlay Cousins, Coby Olarenshaw, Will Taylor-Eagles 1 each

BEST: Will Taylor-Eagles, Tarquin McMillan, James Nicolaci, Blake Christopher, Luke Glossop, Kirby Fuller

GOALS, Koo Wee Rup: Mitch Molloy, John Ramos 1 each

BEST: John Ramos, Ryan Wilby, Tyson Twite, Matthew Drommel, Player, James Lucas

THIRDS

Phillip Island 3.1 3.4 8.11 9.17 (71)
Koo Wee Rup 2.3 3.4 3.5 3.7 (25)

BEST, Phillip Island: Henry Peppard, Brayden Kleverkamp, Tully Dickie, Dylan Susic, Blake Olarenshaw, Jack Papas

BEST, Koo Wee Rup: Zane Stanton, Tyler Dalgleish, Lachlan Bonner, Tyler Evans, Liam Simpson, Charlie Hobson

FOURTHS

Phillip Island 3.4 5.11 7.15 12.19 (91)
Koo Wee Rup 1.1 2.1 2.1 2.2 (14)

BEST, Phillip Island: Cooper Walton, Finn O'Brien, Will Peppard, Noah Muller, Leo Savona, Yianni Caffieri

BEST, Koo Wee Rup: Zak Banks, Mack Brown, Ethan Neill, Kyran Nicholls, Lachlan Bertone, Luke Briganti

» KORUMBURRA-BENA FOOTBALL CLUB

	120		31
CORA LYNN			KOR-BENA

Cora Lynn 5.6 7.10 17.18 (120)
Kor-Bena 0.2 1.4 4.7 (31)

GOALS, Cora Lynn: Jaxon Briggs, Nathan Gardiner 4, Jett Edwards 2, Heath Briggs, Gus Da Costa, Luke Foreman, Chris Johnson, Cory Machaya, Tristan Warkuss, Brady White 1 each

BEST: Chris Johnson, Jaxon Briggs, Tristan Warkuss, Heath Briggs, Thomas Stiglich, Brady White

GOALS, Kor-Bena: Daniel Brown, Paul Fermanis, Bailey Nation, Byron Walker 1 each

BEST: No players named.

RESERVES

Cora Lynn 14.23 (107)
Kor-Bena 0.3 (3)

GOALS, Cora Lynn: No players named.

BEST: No players named.

GOALS, Kor-Bena: No players named.

BEST: No players named.

THIRDS

Cora Lynn 3.4 3.4 5.4 5.8 (38)
Kor-Bena 1.2 3.3 4.4 4.7 (31)

GOALS, Cora Lynn: Kade Perkins 2, Thomas Exposito, Logan Fox, Connor Gilbertson 1 each

BEST: Benjamin Baird, Jacob Percy, Max McDermott, Flynn Abdallah, Kade Perkins, Ryder Milne

GOALS, Kor-Bena: Hamish Boys, Cooper Wolfe, Max Donohue, Bryce Riddell 1 each

BEST: Max Donohue, Player, Ben Fort, Charlie Moller, Braith

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Westy plays game 200

SEAN Westaway was the centre of attention in his 200th game, with Leongatha teammates going all out to help the usual backman boot a final quarter goal in the Parrots' comfortable win over Warragul.

With Leongatha 61 points ahead at the final change, and to the delight of the home crowd, Parrots' coach Trent McMicking swung Westy forward.

However, he had a few nervous minutes on the bench at the start of the last term to endure first.

Once he took the field, almost every pass into the Leongatha's attacking arc then headed his way.

One teammate apologised to the popular clubman for kick-

ing a goal rather than dishing the footy off to him.

"He was right behind you," he told Westy, explaining his opponent was waiting to pounce.

After some near marks, Westaway managed a juggling effort, with the umpire confirming the mark.

An air of expectation hung over the Parrots' nest as he lined up his set shot and let the Sherrin fly goalwards.

A raised Westaway finger celebrated the golden moment as the ball sailed toward goal, only for it to slam into a goal post.

While slightly disappointing at the time, the moment mattered little after the match, with Westaway chaired from the ground through a guard of honour of teammates and a re-

spectful Warragul opposition.

In the rooms, the milestone man was doused in liquid during a raucous version of the club song and was then mobbed by Parrots, being completely enveloped.

Afterwards, it was time to catch his breath, enjoy time with those nearest to him and reflect on a special milestone.

The achievement was made more meritorious by the fact Westaway has lived for 12 years in Melbourne, where he is a teacher, but continues to travel to represent the Parrots.

He said the day became bigger as it went along and the magnitude of the occasion really hit him during his six minutes on the bench to start the final stanza.

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Sean Westaway acknowledges the home fans as players from both sides applaud his 200 game milestone.

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