

Nation's busiest saleyards, they say

- Store cattle to be sold weekly at Leongatha

VLE Managing Director Brian Paynter said a new \$300,000 investment in yards at Leongatha could add holding capacity for an extra 2500 cattle.

NEW holding yards for 2500 cattle will be finished at Victoria's largest saleyards at Koonwarra within the next month.

Part of the Victorian Livestock Exchange (VLE) master plan for the Leongatha saleyards, these holding yards will have soft flooring and feeders on the outside rails.

VLE Managing Director Brian Paynter said this \$300,000 investment will make it easier to transition from sale to transport and provide the complex with additional capacity.

"These yards will make sure VLE Leongatha can handle 6000 cattle at any one time – sometimes even a few hundred more – ideal timing for those farmers looking to transition their cattle

marketing from Pakenham to Leongatha," he said.

"These new yards will have covered feeders along the outside rails which are easily accessible for the livestock and enable easier and faster pen cleaning."

Other changes slated for VLE Leongatha as part of its master plan include an additional 9000 square metres of undercover holding yards, a new four-bay truck wash, truck driver amenities and tea rooms, a truck fuel depot, new livestock agent offices with a board room, new maintenance shed and workshop and a 1500 square metre undercover sheep selling facility.

VLE Leongatha sold 160,000 cattle this financial year – up 26 per cent from

2022/23. Victoria's highest throughput saleyard is planning for even more cattle following the closure of the Pakenham saleyards last week.

Mr Paynter said VLE Leongatha could match the throughput of Australia's largest selling centre, the saleyards at Roma, Queensland if 80 per cent of the cattle sold at Pakenham moves across to Leongatha.

Elders Leongatha Branch Manager Rohan McRae is confident Leongatha's established market can handle extra cattle from Pakenham and said winter was the ideal time for the transition.

"July and August are generally quieter and that gives us time to get the saleyards

settled, with the infrastructure upgrades and work done to handle the extra numbers, before they really begin to arrive in spring and summer," Mr McRae said.

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Youth crime fears fuelled by Leongatha incident

LAST Wednesday, June 26 Leongatha Police along with the Bass Coast Highway Patrol with the assistance of Bass Coast Criminal Investigation Unit arrested a fourteen-year-old in Leongatha South.

According to police, the teen was wanted for questioning in relation to a series of burglaries, theft of motor vehicles, dangerous driving and other property related offending.

The young person was charged and presented before an out of sessions court hearing and was bailed to appear at the Korumburra Children's Court at a later date.

It's part of an increasingly concerning rise in youth crime, in many cases fuelled by notoriety available on social media.

Recently released crime statistics show offences by children aged 14-17 rose by 30 per cent in Victoria in 2023. It was the highest rate of offending by that age group since 2009.

In both Bass Coast and South Gippsland, the number of alleged offender incidents by the 10-17 age group is the equal highest across the age group categories.

In South Gippsland for the year ending March 2024, there were 107 alleged incidents, and 186 in Bass Coast. It was the same figure as the 18-24 year-old group in South Gippsland, and close to the 189 alleged incidents for the 18-24 age group in Bass Coast.

Typically for the other age groups, crime figures were much lower, between 95 incidents in South Gippsland (40-44 age) and 71 (25-29 age) and in Bass Coast between 91 (25-29) and 126 (35-39).

So, the youth crime figures are significant. By comparison, in the Latrobe LGA, police recorded 706 crimes by 10-17 year-olds and 781 by 18-24 year-olds easily the highest rates of any age groups.



Leongatha Police, alongside the Bass Coast Highway Patrol and Bass Coast Criminal Investigation Unit, arrested a fourteen-year-old in Leongatha South on June 26.

Across the state, crimes committed by 10 to 13-year-olds rose by 22.5 per cent last year and offences by 10 and 11-year-olds rose by 65 per cent.

There were 3426 alleged child offenders between the ages of 10 to 14 accused of property offences including aggravated burglary – a rise of 16 per cent compared to the previous calendar year.

In the 15 to 17-year-old age group, there was a 44 per cent jump when it came to teenagers accused of property offences – up from 5515 to 7964.

In a recent article by Danny Tran and Tim Callanan for the ABC, Victoria Police Chief Commissioner Shane Patton stopped short of calling it a youth crime wave, but said the increase was concerning.

"Victoria is largely a very safe state but we have got significant issues with child offending," he told ABC Radio Melbourne.

"A lot of it is to do with the notoriety. The

'look at me', trying to make themselves out as being special."

Chief Commissioner Patton said he was particularly worried about the number of incidents involving youths breaking in to houses to steal car keys.

He said those crimes were often "about notoriety and social media" rather than financial gain from stolen cars.

"We recovered 94 per cent of those cars very, very quickly so it's just being used for [the thrill]."

The Chief Commissioner has also come out against government plans to lift the age of responsibility to 14 years. He said police must retain the ability to deal with youth crime and where necessary to bring the offenders into the justice system.

Police wish to thank the Leongatha community for their assistance with this investigation. They said it was a timely reminder to keep all vehicles and homes secure.



Elders Leongatha Branch Manager Rohan McRae said now was a good time to complete infrastructure works at Leongatha before big numbers of cattle arrive in spring and summer.

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"Good, consistent lines of cattle brings buyers and I'm confident all the major buyers will continue to support Leongatha," he said.

In a letter to the South Gippsland Stock Agents Association this week, Mr Paynter revealed plans to make Leongatha's saleyards the "busiest in Australia".

"We now have the opportunity to build something great at VLE Leongatha, to set up the saleyards complex as the busiest in Australia, by building infrastructure for future generations," Mr Paynter said.

However, in a major new move for Leongatha, agents will alternate selling store cattle fortnightly.

"There is no doubt this time will be challenging but with cooperation, the VLE is confident cattle numbers can be managed efficiently. With this in mind, the VLE has decided that the best way to manage the throughput, particularly store sales, is to split the sales between agents," Mr Paynter said this week.

"Extensive discussions with agents, transporters and all saleyards' stakeholders have led to this decision."

"Agents made it very clear that their business model was built around yarding cattle at store markets on a fortnightly basis. Animal welfare was paramount in this decision."

Starting in August, the store sales will be split along the following lines; Nutrien/SEJ one week and Elders/Alex Scott & Staff/Baw Baw Livestock/Phelan & Henderson & Co and ESB the next.

"The group of five agents will start on the first store sale in August, on August 1. The following week Nutrien/SEJ will sell, on August 8. Sales will continue to rotate on a fortnightly basis."

"Splitting the store markets is the best way to ensure consistent cattle numbers at the yards on a weekly basis," Mr Paynter said.

The change has as much to do with the efficient use of the Leongatha facility and staff as it does with what suits agents. But will store cattle buyers turn up weekly?

Time will tell how successful the new arrangements turn out to be.

Charged with careless driving after crash

A FEARFUL collision, which occurred at the notorious intersection of Soldiers Road and the Bass Highway at Bass last November, had its sequel in the Korumburra Magistrates Court last Thursday when the offending driver appeared to answer a careless driving charge.

According to police, a female driver approached the intersection from Soldiers Road at 9.30am on Monday, November 13 last year, but without pausing to give way, continued on to the Bass Highway, into the path of a red Cooper sedan and a white station wagon.

The front of the offender's car hit the side of the victim's car, sending it spinning across the road and colliding with a pole. The driver of the white station wagon took evasive action and narrowly avoided crashing into the other cars.

The whole incident was captured on the dashcam of a following truck, and

also on CCTV cameras at the nearby petrol station.

The passenger in the victim's car was airlifted to the Royal Melbourne Hospital and both drivers were taken to Dandenong Hospital.

The extent of their injuries wasn't presented to the court but police prosecutor, Acting Sergeant Mick Donoghue said that while there was extensive damage to both vehicles, the incident had the potential to be much more serious than it was in terms of the impact on the people involved.

Sgt Donoghue recounted some of the details of the police interview with the offending driver who claimed she wasn't using her mobile phone, listening to music or otherwise distracted but simply did not see the oncoming cars when she entered the intersection.

"I looked around and didn't see any-

thing. I drive a lot and avoid cars all the time. It was simply an accident," she said.

Legal counsel for the offender, Sean Lineham, provided character references for the accused and notwithstanding the seriousness of the incident, noted that as well as being of good behaviour, his client had never been involved in any other collisions while driving a lot with her employment.

He petitioned the court that a good behaviour undertaking was in range, with a payment to the court fund in lieu of a fine.

Magistrate Duffy agreed, saying there were no aggravating factors and the incident had already had a significant impact on the offending driver. Ms Duffy put the driver on an adjourned undertaking without conviction, asked her to pay \$400 to the court fund and did not suspend the driver's licence.

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IN BRIEF

Heater fire at Leongatha Primary School

LEONGATHA Fire Brigade attended a fire involving an electric heater at Leongatha Primary School just after 7am on Monday.

A heater on the gymnasium wall, above the TV, had visible flames 2nd Lieutenant Phil McIlwaine said of the situation when the callout was received, with the fire out when firefighters arrived.

Two members in Breathing Apparatus used an extraction fan to clear the room of smoke and a thermal imaging camera was used.

There were initial reports of a gas heater fire, the brigade isolating the building's gas connection from the mains.

An unidentified object on the heater, which appeared to be made of plastic, melted.

Grants open to break down barriers to health

A SHARE of \$4 million is on offer to help break down barriers to good health for marginalised Victorians with a Growing Healthy Communities Grant.

"Local community organisations are encouraged to apply for the grants of up to \$150,000 each to deliver programs that will better health outcomes for young people and their families," said The Nationals Member for Gippsland South, Danny O'Brien.

"The scope for these grants is quite wide and I have no doubt that there will be some great ideas across the electorate on how these funds can be used to better the lives of Gippslanders.

"Whether you're a sporting club, creative group, cultural group or any not-for-profit organisation with an initiative that you believe can help improve health outcomes across our community, please consider putting in an application for these grants."

The grants open on Wednesday July 3 and are being administered by VicHealth which lists the following initiatives as examples of what may be funded:

- create new or improved opportunities for community to access, grow and share health, local and culturally appropriate food
- offer sport, recreation, art and active play opportunities to create more active, inclusive and connected neighbourhoods
- make places and spaces more culturally safe.

Mr O'Brien said he is encouraging local groups to think outside the box and consider programs that they can offer to help improve access and participation in activities that promote good health.

"We have so many great programs on offer here in Gippsland South and these

grants can no doubt help make many of those programs more affordable and accessible to some of our more marginalised residents who might otherwise not be able to participate."

An online information session will be hosted by VicHealth on Tuesday July 9 for those seeking further guidance.

For more information on the grants, or to register for the information session visit vichealth.vic.gov.au/funding/growing-healthy-communities-grants.

Mr O'Brien said those interested in submitting an application can also contact him at danny.obrien@parliament.vic.gov.au to discuss arranging a letter of support.

Applications close July 31.

Drugs and knives but no jail

A 37-year-old former Phillip Island man who was busted by police in July last year with personal stashes of methamphetamine and prescription drugs, a flick knife, finger knife, imitation gun, and four tasers in his possession nonetheless walked free from court last Thursday.

He got off with a community corrections order despite also driving a Hertz rental van while unlicensed, acting suspiciously with a co-accused late at night at the Woolamai Racecourse and having prior convictions for similar offending.

But the Korumburra Court heard that the alleged offender, who has since moved to the Frankston area, has got his life back in order after giving up the drugs, securing a permanent job, and reconnecting with his family.

The man's legal counsel made a comprehensive plea, saying her client self-medicated with the illicit drugs after spinal surgery and falling in with the wrong crowd but had since got his life back on track, as evidenced by a glowing reference from his employer.

Police prosecutor, Acting Sergeant Mick Donoghue, told the court that the drugs and weapons offences brought the potential for a combination sentence into focus, including jail and a community corrections order, but he acknowledged it was open to the court to consider a CCO only, together with therapeutic programs treating mental health issues and drug abuse.

Magistrate Alanna Duffy agreed, handing down a 12-month community corrections order with 100 hours of unpaid community work, up to half of which can be used to undertake programs to address the drug use, and if needed, mental health issues.

Inverloch groups reap rewards from FoodWorks

COMMUNITY groups in Inverloch gained a little cash top

up last week as the Inverloch FoodWork's Rewards Program paid out.

The rewards program allows shoppers to earn rewards for every dollar they spend, which they can elect to go to a local community group, club or charity of their choice, or to redeem the points for groceries or an item from the stores showcase.

While this is an annual event that occurs before the end of each financial year, due to some changes to the program last year, there was an accumulation of two years' worth of donations to be handed out.

Store Manager Brendan Leary, said the store was very happy to be handing over the cheques to local community groups in a presentation held at the store recently.

Recipients included:

Friends of Inverloch Library \$571, Inverloch and District Preschool \$136, Inverloch Bowling Club \$642, Inverloch CFA \$1259, Inverloch Cricket Club \$83, Inverloch Football Club \$129, Inverloch Lions Club \$72, Inverloch Netball Club \$34, Inverloch Primary School \$775, Inverloch Rotary Club \$132, Inverloch Scouts \$197, Inverloch Surf Life Saving Club \$826, Leongatha Golf Club \$268, South Gippsland Yacht Club \$191 and Anderson Inlet Angling Club \$31.

For anyone who would like to be involved and see their favourite club or group reap some of the rewards, they can sign up in store.

Tender let for path link

THE 12km shared pathway, to be constructed over an inland route between Inverloch and Wonthaggi has been given the all-clear.

At a recent council meeting, the Bass Coast Shire Council awarded a contract to SR Excavations for the sum of \$3,967,966.46 plus GST to commence work on the project by July 2024.

Completion is expected by March 2026.

Including contingencies, the value of the whole project is listed at \$4,602,841.09.

Councillors praised the cooperation of landowners between Inverloch and Wonthaggi in allowing the shire to come up with a more direct, environmentally sensitive and practical project.

The budget available for the project is actually \$7,700,000.

Council rejects \$54M Inverloch project

IT'S not every day your local shire council knocks back a \$54 million development.

But that day came on Wednesday, June 19 at the most recent Bass Coast Shire Council meeting.

Councillors voted unanimously to reject the application for the development of a caravan park to be located

at 556, 574, 644 and 682 Inverloch-Venus Bay Road Inverloch with one councillor describing it as a "terrible development".

Details of the proposed project include camping and caravan park (144 powered sites) with ancillary food ki-ask/general store and retail space, a caretakers house, 50 x one-and two-bedroom cabins, restaurant, art gallery and museum, a place of assembly (community space), and boat hire and storage.

Cr Brett Tessari said he would describe himself as pro-development but noted that all commercial projects had to display a balance between development and responsible ownership.

"Not a lot has changed about this project since we saw it last time," said Cr Tessari, noting dredging of sensitive areas and the loss of vegetation to make way for the project.

"I'd love to see a \$54 million project but this is a terrible development and I won't be supporting it," he said.

Theft of fuel Inverloch

At 6.05am on June 25 a male was observed in the rear yard of a property in the Woodland Heath estate in Inverloch.

The male was wearing a hooded puffer jacket, jeans, beanie and balaclava.

The male attended a shed at the address and stole a fuel container which contained fuel before leaving the area.

Investigators also believe the same male has attended a business on Wonthaggi Road Inverloch and stole a motorised scooter.

Investigators are requesting any information as to the identity of the male offender. Please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or the Bass Coast Criminal Investigation Unit on 5671 4100.

Residential burglary

A residential property was broken into on Monday morning by two offenders. It's believed the offenders attempted to gain access to the property just after midnight, before returning a couple of hours later and breaking into the property through a side window.

A laptop and undisclosed sum of money was stolen.

Anyone with information is urged to call Cowes Police Station 5952 2037 or Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000.

Setting it straight

CORRECTION: In our article 'Korumburra Lions Club delivers valuable funding' (SGST June 25, 2024, pg. 30) Korumburra CFA's longest-serving current member Kevin McPherson was incorrectly named as Keith. The Sentinel-Times regrets the error.

Coal Creek railway delight with Tiny Towns' funding

FRIENDS of Coal Creek (FOCC) are celebrating a \$50,000 grant to restore the roofs of three train carriages at the tourist park, with the money coming through Regional Development Victoria's Tiny Towns Fund.

FOCC president Roger Powell said the carriages are a focal point when people walk into Coal Creek.

Fellow FOCC volunteer Phil Fowler's hard work in applying for the grant was rewarded, having used an existing report on the carriages to provide the necessary technical details in the application on what needs to be done to restore them.

The carriage roofs have rotted, allowing water inside that has damaged the interior, meaning extensive restoration will be required outside and in to return the carriages to their former glory.

South Gippsland Shire Council will manage the project with assistance from volunteers, with council's Coordinator of Arts, Culture and Visitor Economy Penni Ellicott noting the current discussion that is taking place regarding Coal Creek's future.

"Works won't commence until after we know the outcome of the Strategic Plan, which will be in August," she said, adding there is plenty of time allowed for the restoration project under the conditions of the grant, and pointing out it is not possible to commence before the plan for Coal Creek's future is finalised.

Penni elaborated that the draft Coal Creek Strategic Plan is expected to come before councillors at their July meeting, who would then vote on whether it is ready to be released for public exhibition and feedback.

Should its release occur, the public consultation period would run for a couple of weeks.

In addition to the funding FOCC applied for towards carriage restoration, it also put its hat in the ring for grant funding to fix Coal Creek's railway platform that the carriages sit alongside.

Council has some concerns about access to the carriage roofs with the platform in its current condition, with the carriage work requiring scaffolding.

"We'll talk to RDV, which is the funding body, to work out the best approach," Penni said.

Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh listened to excited FOCC representatives thrilled about the Tiny Towns funding and what it would mean to have crucial restoration carried out.

He said the Coal Creek grant is one of 13 projects funded in South Gippsland through the recently announced round of Tiny Town grants, with 30 across Gippsland as a whole, and stressed that for anyone who applied and missed out another round of applications will be opening, although the date on which that will occur is yet to be announced.



Friends of Coal Creek celebrated with Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh on Thursday after an exciting funding announcement. From left, Penni Ellicott (Coordinator of Arts Culture and Visitor Economy, SGSC), Kevin Cook, Cr Jenni Keerie, Lyn Wilson, Tom McIntosh, Roger Powell (FOCC president) and Nicole and Phil Fowler. A03_2724

While cautious not to pre-empt council's decision on Coal Creek's future, Tom spoke about what the grant could help achieve there.

"It's fantastic that getting this roof right on the train allows the entire train to be restored, which means locals, tourists and all visitors can get in and enjoy it, which just breathes more life into the park," he said.

Full list of South Gippsland recipients:
Tarwin Lower Pony Club Inc. – \$14,740 for facility upgrades.

Manna Gum Community House Inc. – \$9,520 for the Corner Inlet Community Kitchen Upgrade.

Mt Best Community Hall Association Inc – \$6360 for Entertainment Makeover 2024.
Jeetho Hall Inc. – \$19,970 for Jeetho – a town to remember.

Mirboo North Grainstore Committee of Management Incorporated – \$18,845 for the Mirboo North Grainstore Master Plan Development 2024.

Nyora Football Netball Club Inc. – \$11,076 for the purchase of new male and female umpires change rooms.

Sandy Point Community Group Inc. – \$10,000 for a new Sandy Point "Welcome" sign.

Darlimurla Community Association Inc. – \$5840 for the Darlimurla Hall outdoor gathering space and storage expansion.

The (It's No) Drama Productions - \$21,376 to support the Dance of the Leaves performance.

Meeniyen Dumbalk United Football and Netball Club Inc. – \$50,000 for MDU FNC Netball court upgrade.

Friends of Coal Creek – \$50,000 for repairs and replacement of the train carriage.

Loch Memorial Reserve Inc. – \$41,425 for playground renewal.

Strzelecki Public Hall Incorporated – \$44,676 for Strzelecki Public Hall - Project 1 - restumping and internal flooring.

Friends of Coal Creek retain and share history

FRIENDS of Coal Creek (FOCC) president Roger Powell expressed his appreciation of the recently announced \$5000 grant from the Gardiner Dairy Foundation that will enable history to be preserved and made accessible.

"This money is to be used to enable us to digitise the hard copy records, photos and information that FOCC have on file, in boxes and stored in people's houses," Roger said.

He explained the digitised information and images will be uploaded to the new FOCC website, coalcreek.com.au that is already operational, commenting that will enable people to "see how our wonderful park has evolved".

"We are extremely thankful to the Gardiner Foundation for this grant and are looking to put it to good use in the coming months," Roger declared.

Double dog attack causes alarm, injury and heavy cost

THE owner of two Staffordshire terrier-type dogs, which attacked a neighbour's dog on two occasions in Korumburra, in December last year and January this year, has been left with a significant financial penalty, and the loss of one of her dogs, euthanised by the local council.

The Korumburra Magistrates Court heard last week the two unregistered dogs were at large on December 21 last year when one of the dogs attacked a neighbour's dog with only superficial injuries being the result.

But when the dogs escaped from the owners' property on January 6 this year, a more serious attack occurred.

According to a report tendered to the court by a law enforcement officer from the South Gippsland Shire Council, the two dogs 'Missy' and 'Sedge' chased the victim's dog on his property and were seen on top of the dog, attacking it when the owner came outside.

He reportedly struggled with and punched the dogs, trying to stop the attack and ultimately had to close the door of his house on the animals to stop the staffy dogs from coming inside.

His dog was left bleeding on the floor of the laundry, requiring emergency veterinary treatment for injuries and lacerations to the neck and cheek, plus general bruising.

Shire officers were called to the scene and took the offending dogs away.

The cost of veterinary treatment was \$400 but the cost of having the two dogs housed by the RSPCA, on behalf of the council, until the matter came to court amounted to \$8436.

One of the dogs, 'Missy', identified as the instigator of the attacks, was euthanised by the council with the owners' agreement and 'Sedge' was returned to the owner on condition of a management agreement and there have been no further incidents.

Magistrate Alanna Duffy found the charges proven, but expressed concern that the owner of the dog, a single parent, might have trouble paying the significant pound fees.

Ms Duffy asked if the council could offer some relief from the costs, but the officer said that while he understood the circumstances, it was his instructions to seek reimbursement, noting that the council used the services of the RSPCA because they were able to provide a better environment for the dogs and the council would be up for the cost in any case.

With this in mind, Magistrate Duffy found the charges proven, put the owner on a good behaviour undertaking, and instructed that the veterinary fees of \$400 be paid and slightly less than half of the shire's pound costs, amounting to \$4000.

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Mayor's Message



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THIS weekend the Wonthaggi Fire Brigade held their annual dinner. As our region grows, so too, the need for community involvement. I'd encourage people to check out the CFA website and speak with your local members and brigade about volunteer opportunities. You don't have to fight fires, there are administrative and other support roles available for this particularly important organisation that benefits the whole community and beyond.

As you read this message, I am in Canberra with Deputy Mayor, Cr Rochelle Halstead, Bass Coast Shire Council CEO, Greg Box, and council staff advocating for a range of projects within our region with our Federal Ministers.

Federal Government Advocacy

Key priorities we are advocating are around a range of issues and programs within our region including tracks and trails, streetscape projects, roads, coastal erosion and climate action, housing, primary prevention and the Bass Coast Dinosaurs Trail. We hope to have some successful updates next week as we can continue to enhance our diverse community.

Celebrating NAIDOC Week

This week we are celebrating NAIDOC week. NAIDOC Week this year is from July 7 – 14 with the theme Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud.

Bass Coast Shire Council will be acknowledging and celebrating this week with a range of activities and events throughout the region.

To share local First Nations storytelling Council will be hosting a range of free and paid events including the following First Nation's films which will be held at Berninnet and Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre - "Origin", "The Convert", "The Song Keepers" and "The Australian Dream".

Our smart screens outside Berninnet will be playing the Bunurong Land Council "Welcome to Country" video – check out the great stories from our local community.

Over the next couple of weeks Berninnet will also be hosting the live theatre production of "The Sunshine Club" (July 25) as well as Kutcha Edwards and Dan Sultan.

You can check out some of the events happening at Myli in your local library including a discussion on white fragility.

Thanks for the collaboration between Bass Coast and South Gippsland Reconciliation Groups who have organised an exhibition from July 2 to August 11 which showcases the incredible talents of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists. This exhibition will explore a vivid collection of artworks that speak volumes of stories and heritage. I'd encourage everyone to visit this virtual exhibition which is accessible to all.

Don't forget to subscribe to our newsletter Coastell on our website and check out all the projects you can help influence in our region through engagebasscoast.vic.gov.au.



George and Anastasia Parliamentas, residents of the Summerfields Estate, have welcomed the good news about environmental assessment but say it never should have happened in a well-established residential area.

300 Wonthaggi homes given the 'all clear'

A CLOUD of uncertainty has been lifted from a further 312 properties in Wonthaggi's troubled north-east residential growth area.

Last Friday, June 28, Bass Coast Shire Council advised that the first tranche of 291 properties assessed by its environmental contractor PRENSA had been given the all clear with more to follow.

A further 21 properties in Stage 7 of the Parklands Estate have also been cleared by the developer's contractor of any contamination risk.

Homeowners in Cavil Drive in the Summerfields Estate, George and Anastasia Parliamentas, were unaware their property had passed its environmental assessment but were nonetheless pleased and relieved.

"Really? We knew nothing about it. Are they going to send us out a notice to tell us?" asked George Parliamentas.

"We bought this block in 2018 and built soon after that. It's just a crazy situation," he said of the imposition of the environmental overlays.

"But yes, it's a relief. It just proves it never should have happened in the first place," said Anastasia.

"I knew there was no contamination. My garden is thriving," she said.

"My concern now is what impact this will have on Wonthaggi generally and the

people who might have looked at coming here," said Mr Parliamentas.

Preliminary Risk Screen Assessment (PRSA) screens were required after the Victorian Planning Authority retrospectively applied highly restrictive planning overlays to the titles of 627 properties in Wonthaggi's North-East development precinct on January 18, 2024, many of them well-established home sites that had already passed through all of the planning and building approvals necessary as many as five years ago or more.

Having acknowledged the mistake by her actions, if not by her words, the Minister for Planning Sonya Kilkenny has undertaken to introduce separate amendments to the Bass Coast Shire Planning Scheme every time a new tranche of cleared properties comes forward.

The shire says it might take as much as two weeks to have the offending Environmental Audit Overlays (EAOs) removed from titles, but it could come as early as this coming week.

Bass MP Jordan Crugnale has assured those impacted by the unfair imposition of EAOs by the government that the blight on titles will be removed as soon as possible.

"Next week, PRENSA will provide the report for the remaining properties in the balance of Parklands and Powlett Ridge.



Unbelievably, the environmental overlays were applied to established residential properties like these ones in the former Summerfields Estate that had long passed all of planning and building requirements of the day.

I will continue to work to expedite the planning scheme amendment for this tranche and any cleared thereafter," Ms Crugnale said on social media last Friday.

Bass Coast CEO Greg Box issued a statement last week about the latest round of assessments, with a map detailing the affected properties and again thanking residents for their patience.

If you have any questions, contact the shire's planning team at planningapplications@basscoast.vic.gov.au or 5671 2211 during business hours.

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Mine tours open for school holidays

WALKING tours of Wonthaggi's State Coal Mine have reopened for the school holidays.

Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale marked the occasion by joining community volunteers for an underground tour of the former coal mine's once hidden secrets.

The State Coal Mine was drained of water for the 1984 movie Strikebound (1984) and is now the only historic coal mine in the southern hemisphere with underground tours.

The State Government has invested one and half million dollars to restore the famous mine including vital maintenance and upgrades to the rail track, drift car and winch as well as training volunteers to take visitors safely inside the mine.

The State Coal Mine operated from 1909 to 1968 and today is a unique piece of the state's history.

"A beloved community asset offering visitors an unforgettable journey through time, the walking tour provides an up-close look at the coal face and conditions experienced by miners," said Ms Crugnale.

"Since first opening to the public in 1983 Victorians young and old have cherished memories of the mine.

"The restoration works will allow future generations to walk in the footsteps of Victoria's mining pioneers."

The State Coal Mine Café also provides coffee and meals to fuel a day of exploration through Wonthaggi's mining heritage.



Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale about to enter the Lou Storti Tunnel at Wonthaggi's State Coal Mine.

Former miner Ugo Andrighetto took the occasion of the visit by the Member for Bass to reveal a little of the mischief-making by younger miners at the time.

Describing himself as a twenty-year old scallywag Mr Andrighetto told mine visitors about how he would hide one of the mine's many rats under the lid of a box containing spare carbide miner's lamps.

"The lights would go out and when a miner put his hand into the

darkened light box you could hear him right down the mine tunnel."

"Former miners many in their late eighties and nineties maintain a keen interest in the mine and its history" said Ms Crugnale.

"The town of Wonthaggi grew up around the mine."

The Labor Government is proud to support the more than fifty local volunteers who put in hours of hard work to make the State Coal Mine the special place it is.

Supporting tiniest towns

EIGHT new projects in South Gippsland from community halls to local club upgrades have been announced in the first round of the \$20 million Tiny Towns Fund.

Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale has offered "massive heartfelt congratulations to all the community groups, clubs, organisations and councils that applied for the grants showing their wonderful community spirit and true community colours."

Successful grant recipients in the Bass electorate are Archies Creek, River Garden, Blind Bight, Koo Wee Rup, Lang Lang, Newhaven, Tooradin and Warneet.

Fifty thousand dollars has been allocated for stage one of the redevelopment and upgrade of the local Archies Creek Hall, \$39,700 for the construction of a dynamic multipurpose shelter at the River Garden Community Centre at the Bass Coast Landcare Network site and Newhaven has been granted \$29,788 for accessibility upgrades to the Phillip Island Boardriders Club.

Member for Bass, Jordan Crugnale says, "The fund is strengthening community connections and encouraging people to explore Victoria. The first round of the Tiny Towns program is bringing to life more than two hundred projects across our smallest regional towns, each with fewer than 5000 residents.

"The Tiny Towns Fund is about getting fabulous community-driven projects off the ground and making them happen whether it's creating a point of interest, accentuating pride of place, telling a story, beautifying a treasured space or making something more accessible to more of our community.

"The State Government is backing more community-led projects in the tiny towns of the Bass electorate to make our smallest communities even better places to live, work, stay and play," says Ms Crugnale.

"The sky's the limit so start thinking now in the run-up to the next round."

The Tiny Towns Fund is creating stronger communities, more tourism opportunities and supporting more local jobs according to Crugnale "together with the twenty-five-million-dollar Council Support Package which is also helping to get shovel-ready projects off the ground in regional cities and surrounding towns."



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Damon Stynes named new chair of South Gippsland Hospital Board

SOUTH Gippsland Hospital (SGH) Board of Management Chair, Dr David Pollard, has stepped down after nine years of service. He initially commenced in 2016 as an Independent Member of the Audit and Risk Committee, prior to joining the Board where he was chair of the Finance Committee, for many years before taking on the role of Board Chair.

SGH Chief Executive Officer, Paul Greenhalgh, said that since becoming Board Chair in July 2023, David “has led SGH with distinction, supporting the executive team to navigate the complexities of a stretched healthcare system. His governance acumen will be missed”.

Mr Greenhalgh noted several highlights during his time at SGH, including his pivotal role as Finance Committee Chair, where David had oversight of the financial state of the health service, and notably the growth in Community Care services. He also assisted in securing State and Federal government funding for major capital works, most recently ensuring SGH installed three reliable generators and complete switchboard upgrades, through all buildings.

“It’s been such a great honour to have been Board Chair of SGH for the last twelve months and to have worked with the Board and executive, and our generous community, in my various roles. It has been a pleasure to have been part of a successful team that has delivered such important services,” Dr Pollard said. “We have two highly skilled new Directors starting next month, and as such the time has come for me to pursue other interests, such as completing my fourth book, and spending time travelling. I thank our community for their support of SGH. To past and present CEOs, executives, and Board directors, I thank them also for their valuable contributions. SGH remains in good hands.”

Due to the capped nine-year directorship tenure requirement, Deputy Chair, Graeme Baxter, also steps down.

“Graeme has been a huge part of the Board, contributing to the Finance and Audit/Risk Committees as Chair of both at various times, as well as being deputy chair for seven years. His wisdom will also be missed,” Mr Greenhalgh said.

The incoming Board Chair, Damon Stynes joined the Board in 2021 and has been an active member of the Board, as well as the Finance and Planning sub-committees.

Mr Stynes had a background in major Chartered Accounting firms, before being appointed CEO of a leading international relocation firm. These roles entailed advising local and international clients on their international structures, employee relocations, human resources and relocation policies. This experience over a 30-year period involved advising on commercial, financial, audit and risk management, government regulation and marketing. Additionally, he has held Board positions on various private and community organisations.

Having owned a farm in South Gippsland for 18 years he appreciates the integral role the health service plays in the community.

“I am excited to lead SGH through the next chapter and I look forward to serving the South Gippsland Hospital and the community,” Mr Stynes said

Demand increasing for Urgent Care Centre

MORE people are turning to Gippsland Southern Health Service’s Urgent Care Centre (UCC) in Leongatha for help after the introduction of a new medical workforce model.

Numbers attending the centre have risen by up to 50 per cent over recent months, with the UCC now being staffed with a GSHS doctor and registered nurse from 8am-9pm.

GSHS Leongatha Director of Nursing Kylie Ashton said the introduction of the new medical model had enabled GSHS to provide consumers attending the urgent care department with timely access to high-quality medical treatment.

In July 2023, GSHS had 262 Urgent Care presentations for the month, an average of eight per day. In May 2024 that number had risen to 358 people, an average of 12 presentations per day, a 50 per cent increase within the year.

Ms Ashton said there had been a steady increase since January when GSHS started working towards the new model.

“Over the past two months, there has been a steeper curve which shows the value of the new model in making sure we have medical officers to provide medical services when needed,” according to Ms Ashton.



Despite the upswing in numbers GSHS has been able maintain its quick response timeframes at the Urgent Care Centre in Leongatha.

“It is a good system and it is working well for the community.”

The new system replaces a long-standing partnership with Leongatha Health Care GPs who have been staffing Leongatha’s inpatient and Urgent Care Centre.

The increased presentations have been across a wide spectrum of conditions, with chest pain remaining the number one reason for people attending the UCC, followed by falls, viral illnesses, gastro illnesses, sporting injuries and more recently respiratory illnesses.

GSHS has been able to maintain its quick response despite

the upswing in numbers and consistently surpasses mandated timeframes.

“One hundred per cent of our category five, or least urgent, patients are being seen within 60 minutes when the requirement is 120 minutes, and our highest priority category one patients are always seen immediately,” Ms Ashton said.

After 9pm or during very busy times, GSHS uses telehealth systems.

Both Leongatha and Korumburra’s urgent care centres will be introducing the Victorian Virtual Emergency Department (VVED) to their telehealth

model of care in July.

Ms Ashton described VVED as an exciting free public health initiative that treats non-life-threatening emergencies and is accessible to all Victorians.

“The Victorian Virtual Emergency Department is best for people with less urgent conditions and they can access it from home,” Ms Ashton said.

“It will take a lot of pressure off urgent care centres and emergency departments.”

GSHS can support people to access the service but Ms Ashton added that if a situation is life-threatening, people should call Triple Zero (000).

Year 9 scholarships now open for Newhaven College

NEWHAVEN College is excited to announce Year 9 Scholarship places for 2025. The dynamic and dedicated Newhaven Year 9 staff work to shape and enhance the educational journey of our Year 9 students. The program includes specialised curriculum that brings the immediate and wider world to life. The curriculum looks different from the other year levels. Core subjects are continued, and new ones are introduced. All subjects are approached using methods that connect students with the world around them and this innovative program sparks student engagement with learning.

Head of Year 9, Sam Fourra, has been entrusted with fostering an enriching and supportive learning environment, ensuring that students continue to thrive academically, socially and emotionally during this crucial stage of their education.

“Our program aims to challenge students, and build



Head of Year 9 Sam Fourra (centre) with current Year 9 students Myka Sylvio, Ellie Hennessy, Amelia Raso and Kai Cashman.

understanding and expertise through creating meaningful experiential learning opportunities throughout the Bass Coast and beyond,” he says of the program.

Students and faculty are situated in a unique learning space within the specially constructed Year 9 Environmental Centre. The bespoke facility is set away from the

main college campus and features picturesque views of Western Port Bay. The facility is specifically designed to foster outdoor education, sustainability and hands-on learning, all of which lie at the heart of the Year 9 experience.

Newhaven College is calling for applications for all students entering Year 9 in

2025 who can demonstrate outstanding abilities across a broad range of areas including academic, sporting, performing arts, leadership and community involvement.

For additional details about the Year 9 Scholarship, go to the Newhaven College website. Applications close 4pm Monday, July 29, 2024.

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NEWHAVEN COLLEGE





Community College Gippsland CEO Dale Gemmell, Leongatha campus lead Bridget Cornish, student Tayah Souter and principal Russel Praetz celebrate the opening of four new classrooms for year 11 and 12 students. ob02_2724

Growing student numbers sees new facilities for CCG

THE RAPID growth of the Leongatha branch of Community College Gippsland (CCG) saw the cutting of the ribbon last Thursday to celebrate the opening of four brand-new classrooms.

Since 2015, CCG, which also encompasses ECG Secondary College, has expanded from its initial enrolment of just nine students to now accommodating 75 students.

To ensure facilities were fit for purpose and catered to the growth of student numbers,

the independent school spent \$1.5 million to upgrade classroom facilities.

At the opening ceremony, Dale Himmel, CEO of CCG, commented that they have also secured a 20-year lease on the site as well as two five-year extensions.

New Principal Russel Praetz commented that the building will provide a modern and bright inviting space for their students to learn in.

He mentioned that CCG provides optimism for families

who have become disengaged and disenfranchised from mainstream learning and that CCG can offer a bespoke model to ensure connection, success and accomplishment of students.

Year eleven student Tayah Souter provided a testament to this, speaking to attendees about how she struggled in mainstream schools, but since enrolling at CCG the learning style has had a positive impact on her emotional and psychological wellbeing and

has helped her to grow into the individual she is today.

The four new classrooms will accommodate CCG's year 11 and 12 students. A new cohort of year 9 and 10's, which are the first at the college, will go on to benefit from the new facilities.

Dale and Tayah performed the honours and cut the ribbon to officially open the new facilities, to the applause of staff, students, councillors, and members of supportive and associated community groups.

Join in Inverloch RSL's Reserve Forces Day

THE Australian Reserves Forces Day ceremony to be held in Inverloch on Sunday, July 7 showcases the invaluable contributions and crucial role that Reserve Forces play in the overall defence of Australia.

Reserve Forces personnel are a critical component of the Australian Defence Force, providing a surge capability in times of need and bolstering the capabilities of our regular forces. They are often called upon to support peace-keeping missions, disaster relief efforts, and homeland defence operations. Reserve Forces carried out operations in Solomon Islands and East Timor.

In addition to their military commitments, Reserve Forces personnel bring a wealth of skills, experience, and diversity to their civilian careers, enriching the communities in which they live and work. Their service not only benefits our nation's defence capabilities but also strengthens the fabric of our society. We also recognise the employers in the community who support their Reserve employees to release them from work to carry out their important role in Defence.

The Australian Reserves Forces Day ceremony in Inverloch will serve as a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by these brave individuals, their families and in many cases their employers. It is an opportunity to honour their service and express our gratitude for their selfless dedication to protecting our nation.

On Reserve Forces Day, let us remember the importance of supporting and recognising the contributions of all those who serve in the Reserve Forces. Their commitment to defending Australia ensures our nation's security and prosperity, and we owe them our heartfelt thanks and admiration.



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South Gippsland Shire Council News

Winter School Holidays

Welcome winter these school holidays, with a range of family-friendly activities to enjoy right here in South Gippsland. From cosy cafes and shopping spots, to walking tracks and trails, here is a little guide to a wonderful winter mid-year holiday.

As the chill of the season hits our region, you'll find a number of cafes and restaurants offering a warm hearty meal by the comfort of a fire place. The cosy scenery makes for the perfect backdrop whilst you enjoy the soup of the day alongside a delicious beverage.

After fuelling up, head over to one of the galleries or libraries scattered across our region. Become acquainted with the work of local artists or find a corner at one of our libraries to explore an imaginary world. Libraries also host a range of enjoyable

activities for children of all ages.

If you find a gap in the wintery conditions, pop on a coat and embark on an adventure by foot or bike. Our many trails and tracks offer captivating views and a day in the fresh air for the whole family to enjoy.

If you feel like switching up your days on land for a day at sea, why not board an adventure cruise and explore the coast of Wilsons Promontory. You may even spot a whale as they make their way to warmer waters in the north.

Embrace the magic of winter in South Gippsland, where every moment is an opportunity to discover beauty, warmth, and wonder in the heart of regional Victoria.

For more winter activities, please head to: visitsouthgippsland.com.au

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL
NAIDOC Week Activity



South Gippsland Shire Council invites you to celebrate NAIDOC Week.

Join us for a smoking ceremony and art workshop – activity suitable for all ages.

Here are the details:

- Thursday 11 July from 10.00am to 12.00pm at Leongatha Dakers Centre (23 Smith St, Leongatha)

This is a FREE event. To keep count of attendees, please register your attendance below.

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/NAIDOC

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesday 17 July 2.00pm
(Council Chambers, Leongatha)

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

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

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COMMUNITY TRAINING WORKSHOP

South Gippsland Shire Council's upcoming community training workshop is all about learning to create a flyer using Canva.

Canva is a design platform that can help you to create eye-catching graphics, flyers, newsletters, videos, presentations, social media posts (plus much more) for your community group.

This session will walk you through the basics of using Canva and how your not-for-profit group can make the most of this online design tool.

Join us for this FREE session Thursday 11 July from 6.00pm to 8.00pm at the Korumburra Hub (Little Commercial Street).

To register, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/communitytraining

REQUEST FOR TENDERS AND INFORMATION

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

RFT/412 – South Gippsland Shire Council Technology Refresh

Tenders close 2.00pm AEST on Saturday 13 July 2024

RFT/216 – Teams Enterprise Voice Implementation

Tenders close 2.00pm AEST on Tuesday 23 July 2024

RFI/415 – Finance System Review

Tenders close 2.00pm AEST on Tuesday 13 August 2024

Documentation is available from Council's e-Tendering Portal www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/tenders

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Cr Nathan Hersey's call for a councillor to join South Gippsland Shire's Arts Advisory Committee has been supported. A04_2724

South Gippsland Councillor to join Arts Advisory Committee

WHILE achievements of South Gippsland Shire Council's Arts Advisory Committee during its first year of operation were acknowledged at Wednesday's council meeting, a significant change is being made to boost the flow of information it provides to council, with a councillor to join the committee.

Cr Nathan Hersey's motion for that to occur received support at the meeting.

The Arts Advisory Committee advises council in relation to the implementation of the Arts, Culture and Creative Industries Strategy 2022-26 and collaborates with council's Arts, Culture and Visitor Economy team.

Members of the committee represent the shire's creative sector.

The appointed councillor will not be able to act as the chairperson of the committee.

Cr Hersey explained that representatives of the Arts Advisory Committee reasonably requested an easing of onerous minute-keeping requirements, but stressed it remains important for information from the committee to flow to council so it can act when necessary.

He noted there are existing precedents for having a councillor on such a committee.

"That will bring the Arts Advisory Committee in line with our other committees of council that already have a councillor on there," Cr Hersey said.

Cr Sarah Gilligan expressed her appreciation of the work done by the members of the Committee and said its existence reflects council's commitment to celebrating the arts community and engaging with it.

The Committee has actively contributed to the development of both the Arts and Civic Memorabilia Collection Policy and the Public Arts Collection Policy.

It has also played a role in the shortlisting of artists to create murals in the Leon-gatha and Korumburra Railway precincts.

The Arts Advisory Committee has ongoing input into the ArtCubes program, along with continuing advocacy for the promotion and support of arts throughout South Gippsland, and is involved in assessing applications to the South Gippsland Creative Fund.

Cr Adrian Darakai went to great lengths to outline the importance of the arts sector and the fact its significance is at times overlooked, proceeding to highlight the value of the Arts Advisory Committee.

"South Gippsland's creative industry is burgeoning and to have a thinktank of people from our community who can reflect the diversity of what art is and what art can be is a significant social asset to the 30,000-odd people who live in this area," Cr Darakai declared.

During its first year, the committee has met every three months, with plans now in place to increase that to at least six meetings a year, that change is based on feedback from the current committee requesting more meetings, with committee members to attend at least four meetings in a 12-month period.

The Arts Advisory Committee is to have a maximum of 10 and a minimum of six members and, at the conclusion of a two-year term, members may apply to council for an additional two-year term.

Davies content with her time on council

AFTER stepping back into local politics to provide stability and experience following a period of turmoil in South Gippsland Shire, Cr Mohya Davies is delighted she did so, speaking at the June council meeting of her decision not to run in October's election.

While she had already told her hometown newspaper The Mirror she wouldn't seek re-election, Cr Davies confirmed that decision at Wednesday's council meeting.

"My journey in local government has been driven by my pride in my region and the community, and I've loved being a part of South Gippsland Shire Council; it's been a privilege to serve," the Foster-based councillor said.

She was previously a councillor between 2008 and 2016 and has relished working with a variety of councillors over the years and learning a great deal.

The decision to run for election in 2021 was driven by her desire to help return trust and respect to South Gippsland Shire Council after a period of administration.

As the only elected candidate in the new council to have previous experience as a councillor, Cr Davies was the ideal choice for mayor while other councillors found their feet in the first year of the term.

Her leadership undoubtedly paved the way for councillors Nathan Hersey and Cr Clare Williams to take on the responsibility of mayor in the following years.

Cr Davies encourages others interested in representing the community as a councillor to put themselves forward.

"I'm open to having that conversation with anyone and supporting them through the process of standing for election," she said.

Cr Davies stressed it is challenging to put yourself out there and stand for election in your community and then come together with a group of



Cr Mohya Davies speaks during South Gippsland Shire Council's June meeting at which she announced she won't be a candidate at the upcoming council election. A06_2724

individuals who all have different perspectives, and try to move forward to create a better future for South Gippsland.

Underlining her community spirit, before making her personal announcement, Cr Davies paid tribute to The Mirror and the service it has provided to those in Foster and nearby towns, with its final edition having just hit newsagency shelves.

She looks forward to her remaining time on council as she continues to serve those in the Coastal Promontory Ward and across South Gippsland Shire.

After Wednesday's announcement, other councillors acknowledged the contribution Cr Davies has made.

Cr Williams said many community members would be disappointed to see Cr Davies leave the council and commended her for her willingness to help others negotiate the journey to become councillors.

Cr Rae revegetates to save agricultural land

THEATRICALS returned to the South Gippsland Shire Council chambers on Wednesday, with Cr Scott Rae renewing his passion for props, this time sporting a wig as he drew attention to concerns about the negative impacts of some environmental planting schemes.

"Many of you may have noticed I've undertaken a revegetation program, and I would like to highlight not all revegetation programs are a good idea in my opinion," he declared before attacking the loss of valuable productive farming land caused by some environmental planting initiatives.

"Carbon plantings and covenants are forever," he said, contrasting that with "previous failed forestry schemes" where the timber was harvestable.

While acknowledging covenants and tree plantings have a place in the right situations, such as at RAMSAR listed wetlands, he said that is not the case when it forever excludes agriculture from farmable land,



Cr Scott Rae takes on a new look to convey his frustration at agricultural land being sacrificed to make an environmental statement. A01_2724

ultimately leaving a legacy of weeds, pests and fences to be replaced.

Cr Rae stressed the States are effectively supporting a reduction of farmland "by waiving land tax on covenant properties".

He posed the question of what we should eat in the future, labelling locking up productive land in perpetuity for unproductive uses as "treason".

Cr Rae stressed

agriculture is South Gippsland Shire's biggest employer, arguing against chequebook-based acquisition and removal from the production of food and fibre land.

Politicians from State and Federal Governments were invited to join him for a cup of tea and a chat about his concerns, with the colourful councillor partial to a lemon and ginger tea with a bit of local honey.



WHAT an eventful week it has been! On Tuesday, I met with local volunteers and representatives from Emergency Recovery Victoria, Disaster Relief Australia and others who have been supporting the clean-up efforts in Mirboo North. It has been a welcomed sight seeing our region gain support from all levels of government and volunteers from near and far after such a devastating event. The Mirboo North community will be going through the recovery process for quite some time, but they have some terrific support to get it done.

On Wednesday, we had our last Council Meeting for the 2023/24 financial year. It was an important meeting where we adopted the Annual Budget – a responsible Plan that balances the economic climate we are in and the expectations of our community. Thank you to those who provided meaningful feedback during this process.

If you missed the meeting, you can watch it back by visiting: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live

Next week Deputy Mayor Nathan Hersey, Chief Executive Officer Kerryn Ellis and I will be heading to Canberra for the Australian Local Government Association's National General Assembly Conference and to have advocacy meetings with some of our Australian Government colleagues. I'll tell you all about it in my next edition.

Engagement Opportunities

Bass Coast Shire Council has an opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed Gippsland Odyssey Extension. The proposed extension will connect Woolamai to Nyora – a 25-kilometre link that will extend the trail to beyond 1,100 kilometres.

To find out more and provide your thoughts before July 19, please visit: <https://engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/gippslandodyssey>

There is also still time to provide your feedback on South Gippsland Shire Council's Draft Waste and Resource Recovery Plan. Read the draft Plan and provide your feedback here: <https://yoursay.southgippsland.vic.gov.au>

Community Training

Do you want to learn how to make flyers and social media posts look good? South Gippsland Shire Council is running a 'How to Create a Flyer Using Canva' workshop on Thursday, July 11 from 6pm to 8pm at the Korumburra Community Hub. The session will walk you through the basics of using Canva and how not-for-profit organisations can make the most of this online design tool.

To register, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/communitytraining

Strzelecki Ward Councillor Catch Ups

Want to have a chat with your local Councillors? Deputy Mayor Nathan Hersey, Councillor Jenni Keerie and Councillor Mick Felton will be hosting Councillor Catch Ups on Saturday 20 and Sunday, July 21. More details will be coming shortly, so please keep an eye out on Council's Facebook page or website.

School Holidays

The end of another school term has come and our youngest South Gippslanders are home for a few weeks. If you're trying to think of something to do to keep them occupied, why not look for some outdoor adventures to get them active?

There are plenty of walking tracks and trails that are suitable for a range of fitness levels, including the Great Southern Rail Trail which has just received a grant of \$100,000 from the Victorian Government's Council Support Package. The grant will support the activation of one of South Gippsland's greatest assets with more artwork, marketing materials and signage.

If you would rather get out and do some retail therapy, make sure you shop local where possible to support our businesses.

There are plenty of ideas on the Visit South Gippsland website, which you can find here: www.visitsouthgippsland.com.au

The Nature Parks call for community members

PHILLIP Island Nature Parks is seeking community members to join the Community and Environment Advisory Committee (CEAC), an advisory committee to the Board.

If you share an interest in the wildlife, environment, and biodiverse future on Phillip Island (Mallowl), the Nature Parks is keen to hear from you. Current CEAC members have completed a three-year term, and the Nature Parks would like to thank them for their ongoing commitment and contribution to conservation initiatives within our community.

Applications are now open for five community members to join the CEAC.

The committee meets four times a year at a venue on Phillip Island (Mallowl) with each meeting running for around two hours. Meetings are chaired by member(s) of the Board, and you will also hear from the Nature Parks team and special guests.

Catherine Basterfield, Chief Executive Officer at Phillip Island Nature Parks says the contribution of community members, groups and local organisations is highly valued by the Nature Parks Board.

“Over the recent term, this committee has played a crucial role in shaping our future strategic planning and collaborated on initiatives to support threatened flora and fauna on Phillip Island (Mallowl). We recently enjoyed a ‘behind the scenes’ tour at our aviaries to hear about how the Nature Parks is supporting the recovery of bush stone-curlews,” said Ms Basterfield.

Phillip Island Nature Parks offers a diverse range of ecotourism experiences including the Penguin Parade, Nobbies Centre, Churchill Island and Koala Conservation Reserve. The Nature Parks also manages over 1980 hectares of Crown land, which includes a variety of coastal reserves, wetlands, and woodlands.

If you would like to contribute as a community member, please email community@penguins.org.au for an application form.

Applications close Friday, July 12, 2024 with the next committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 4pm on Phillip Island.

South Gippsland finalises Budget for new financial year

SOUTH Gippsland Shire Council’s Budget for 2024/2025, adopted at Wednesday’s council meeting, shows an adjusted underlying surplus of \$4.775 million, with council CEO Kerry Ellis saying while that reflects a sound financial position, rate capping and rising infrastructure costs present significant challenges.

“This financial year the rate cap is 2.75 per cent, which is well below CPI and inadequate to offset rising costs and the cost shift from State to local government that has become increasingly prevalent over the years,” Ms Ellis stated in her Budget message.

The Budget document elaborates on the inflation situation, putting Melbourne’s CPI increase for the December 2022 to December 2023 period at 4.1 per cent, noting the discrepancy between that figure and this year’s allowable average rate increase makes it tough for councils to deliver services for the community.

South Gippsland Shire Council’s total revenue from rates and charges is projected to be \$52.179 million out of an overall income of just over \$94.32 million.

As was the case with the proposed Budget, the adopted document shows a capital works program of just over \$36.3 million for the upcoming financial year, including \$5.34 million of carry-forward projects from 2023/2024, with more than \$19.96 million of capital works funding coming through grants and contributions, \$15.599 million of that being grant revenue.

During Wednesday’s meeting, Cr Nathan Hersey said council’s significant success in obtaining grant funding illustrates it has made good on a commitment to advocate on behalf of its communities to higher levels of government.

Projects fully or partially funded with grant support that are expected to be completed in 2024/25 include:

- Korumburra Streetscape



South Gippsland Shire Council CEO Kerry Ellis is pleased council’s latest Budget reflects a sound financial position but stressed there are challenges for all councils in the current environment. A07_2724

- Railway Precinct Revitalisation Project
 - Meeniyah Community Hub
 - Korumburra Showgrounds Change Rooms
 - North Poowong Road
- With a property portfolio of more than 430 buildings to maintain, council has allocated an additional \$300,000 for building maintenance, to reduce the existing maintenance shortfall.
- While Council’s Community Leadership program received some support during recent public consultation on the proposed Budget, there was also a view expressed that it is unnecessary and funds would be better spent elsewhere.
- Ultimately, the council’s faith in the program and its ability to help locals reach their potential and deliver community benefits saw \$60,000 allocated in the approved Budget towards running the program.
- Over \$460,000, fully grant funded, will be used to progress the implementation of Council’s Coastal Strategy priority actions, such as preparation of a coastal hazards

risk assessment, assessment of seawalls and levees, and progressing natural mitigation approaches.

\$50,000 will go into the establishment of a Memorandum of Understanding with South Gippsland Landcare to help deliver outcomes such as better weed management and tree planting programs, with the same amount allocated to commence the implementation of outcomes from the Coal Creek Strategic Plan.

Cr Adrian Darakai spoke of the importance of \$30,000 to support the Live4Life Program that provides mental health and suicide prevention education to young people in South Gippsland.

Mayor Clare Williams praised the financial responsibility of the Budget and said it puts the council in a strong position to welcome a new councillor group in October, expressing her appreciation of all those involved in the Budget process, including community members who provided feedback.

COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Phillip Island Nature Parks is calling for local community members to join the Community and Environment Advisory Committee, a great opportunity for a two-way communication between the Nature Parks and the local community.

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Submissions on Marinus Link’s EIS/EES and draft PSA are open and can be made in writing to Planning Panels Victoria until **11.59pm on Friday 12 July**.

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A new era for a trusted local investment fund: Gippsreal rebrands to RELI Capital

IN A move that signifies growth and evolution, Gippsreal has officially re-branded to RELI Capital, signalling a new chapter in its storied history.

For over 45 years, Gippsreal has offered first mortgage investment opportunities backed by Australian property security to investors in the South Gippsland community and surrounding Shires.

Now, as RELI Capital, the company is poised to take the next step in its journey whilst continuing its commitment to delivering reliable investments with personalised service.

Founded in Leongatha in 1978, Gippsreal has built a reputation as a reliable and experienced investment fund manager and has a strong track record managing mortgage investments in real estate loans. Over the decades, the company has grown from its regional roots to serve both investor and borrower clients right across Australia. As a result, the name Gippsreal became somewhat geographically limiting.

The team at RELI Capital is led by brothers Justin and David Caporale, as joint Managing Directors. Justin and David were born and grew up in Korumburra, with Justin joining Gippsreal some 20 years ago and completing his bachelor's and master's degrees in the intervening years, and David joining in 2018 after 12 years in the financial planning industry as a qualified financial adviser. Whilst they now live on the Mornington Peninsula with their young families, their parents and grandparents still reside in South Gippsland. David and Justin are ably supported by the company's longstanding and experienced Senior Managers, Karen Kreutzberger and Judi Stubbs, both lifelong South Gippsland locals.



Marking a new era for RELI Capital (formerly Gippsreal) are Judi Stubbs, David and Justin Caporale and Karen Kreutzberger. A05_2724

"The change to RELI Capital not only modernises and updates our branding, but embraces a name that better encapsulates what we do, what we strive for, and what we offer" Justin explains.

"RELI stands for Real Estate Lending Investments which embodies what we do using a simple-to-understand acronym. It is also a play on the word reliable, which is what we strive to be as an investment fund manager. Lastly, the word 'Capital' represents what we offer; in the case of our investors, our aim of capital stability for your investment funds, and for our borrowers, the means of accessing capital in the form of a loan to achieve

their goals."

"What differentiates us from other investment funds is our size and service" David adds.

"Being a relatively small fund manager allows us to be agile in responding to changes in market directions. It also enables us to provide a highly personalised service for our clients; unlike larger fund managers and institutions, our clients are not just another number. Our loyal investor base and repeat borrowers are a testament to this."

For the local community, this transition underscores a long-term commitment to continue providing an investment product not readily accessible in most regional

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Group photo of Safe Sawing in the 'Boo training session participants with TAFE Gippsland forestry educators.

TAFE Gippsland and GCLP partner for Safe Sawing in the 'Boo project

TAFE Gippsland was pleased to provide sponsorship to participants of the Gippsland Community Leadership Program (GCLP) to meet their brief of undertaking a community project by providing free training on the safe use of chainsaws to members of the Mirboo North community recovering from a destructive storm event.

With the clean-up from the freak February event continuing, a syndicate of GCLP participants recognised that women and young people in particular lacked the knowledge of how to operate a chainsaw safely in order to clear storm debris from their properties or to assist others.

TAFE Gippsland worked with the GCLP Syndicate 4 to provide a full day's training for 36 participants on how to safely and confidently use a chainsaw.

Dubbed Safe Sawing in the 'Boo, the project was held over two days, empowering participants with essential chainsaw skills including work health and safety, personal protective equipment, trim and cross-cut trees, and basic chainsaw maintenance.

TAFE Gippsland Director of Educational Delivery, Linda Austin said the organisation was proud to partner with GCLP to provide this important service to assist Mirboo North in its recovery.

"Our responsibility to the community is paramount, and this project showcases our commitment to support, collaborate, and upskill local people of all ages and abilities," she said.

"Our forestry educators including Kevin Nunn, Peter Bowman and Russell Barter are absolute leaders in their field and as an organisation, we were pleased to assist Syndicate 4 to achieve its goal of delivering Safe Sawing in the 'Boo that will leave a lasting legacy to the Mirboo North community."

GCLP Syndicate 4 representative Ella Angarane said feedback from the course was 100 per cent positive.

"The participants appreciated the experienced and supportive TAFE Gippsland staff, with the instructors being very knowledgeable and clearly demonstrated each stage," she said.

"One participant commented that they were a complete beginner and the training was very valuable. They were excited to get back home and feel confident and capable to chainsaw around their property.

"This project was made possible by collaboration with TAFE Gippsland, the Mirboo North and District Community Foundation, the Mirboo North Golf Club and the Mirboo North Storm Cell Volunteers."

Free disaster waste disposal finished

SUNDAY was the last chance residents in Mirboo North and surrounding areas were able to dispose of their disaster waste from the February storm for free.

The scale and impact of the storm saw an extension granted until Sunday, June 30. The Mirboo North Transfer Station will now return to its normal service and operating hours and fees will apply once again.

Many other free services remain in place for locally affected residents and businesses who still require assistance.

Disaster Relief Australia

Disaster Relief Australia (DRA) remain on the ground in the town, continuing with clean-up efforts. This veteran-led not-for-profit organisation will be assisting community members most in need to clean-up storm damage on their properties. To be eligible, the clean-up work must not be covered by insurance. Register by calling the Emergency Recovery (ERV) on 1800 560 760 or visit: vic.gov.au/recovery-support.

Removal of Dangerous Trees

For residents who have hazardous trees on their property, including trees that could fall, or have hanging branches, within 30 metres of their home or main access, can register for hazardous tree removal through ERV on 1800 560 760 or visit: vic.gov.au/recovery-support.

Recovery Support

Recovery support can be as simple as telephone advice on what services are available or connecting people with programs that can help. Residents severely impacted by the storm may be eligible for a Recovery Support Worker. To find out more, call ERV on 1800 560 760 or visit: vic.gov.au/recovery-support.

Council support

Drop into Council's Recovery Centre located at the Mirboo North and District Community Foundation for help connecting to mental health, wellbeing, financial and business advice services. Open: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10am and 3pm.

Free Outreach Legal Service

The free Legal Outreach Service at the Co-Space provided by Gippsland Community Legal Service and Victorian Legal Aid continues every second Thursday from 10am to 3pm (this month July 9). The attending lawyer will assist with any queries, such as insurance delays, tenancy issues or more general queries. They can be contacted any time on 1800 004 402.

Recovery Session

A Recovery Session was held in Mirboo North last month with Rob Gordon, who spoke about the experience of a disaster and how to recover from that individually and as a community. If you missed the session, it can be viewed at: youtube.com/watch?v=jpV0I7WjcJk.

Storm recovery feedback survey

The Mirboo North and District Community Recovery Working Group have closed feedback submissions from the community about the recovery process.

Thank you Party

A Mirboo North 'Thank You Party' will be held to celebrate the response and recovery efforts, meet the volunteers from the local area, as well as the services and community groups involved in the clean-up. Free BBQ, BYO nibbles and drinks. Begins at 5pm with music from 6.30pm at the Mirboo North Shire Hall on Saturday, July 6. Hosted by the Mirboo North Storm Cell Volunteers and the Mirboo North and District Community Foundation. RSVP to 0419 155 504, text or call, ASAP.

Final edition of The Mirror hits the stands

Foster's historic publication, The Mirror, printed its final edition on Wednesday last week, concluding an impressive 134-year run since its establishment on March 28, 1890.

Owner and editor Robert Best, fondly known as Rab, shared his reflections on this significant milestone with local YouTuber Gippsland Flâneur in the days leading up to the final publication.

Robert has dedicated nearly half a century to The Mirror, starting as an apprentice in printing and linotype mechanics in January 1975, after leaving school in 1974.

In 1989, Robert went on to buy the business and ran it continuously through the intervening years, not missing a single edition, even during COVID, when they worked with the local health service to keep everyone informed.

"Which we were very proud of," he remarked.

Reflecting on some of the major news stories The Mirror covered, Robert recalled both manmade and natural disasters that occasionally garnered national attention.

"Over the years there's been house fires and floods, and there was (before I took over), the Western Spruce, a big boat down at Port Welshpool that went up in flames. A lot of local firemen got awards, and I



Robert (Rab) Best, owner of The Mirror since 1989, which saw it's final edition released last week, marking the end of an era.

think there were two or three fatalities. So that was quite big news."

When Robert took over, he turned himself into a self-taught journalist so he could contribute to the paper as well.

"We tried not to be too controversial over the years. I got accused of sitting on the fence a lot.

"But I had to live here and my family and kids grew up here, which people seemed to like that – that we didn't sensationalise things."

Although The Mirror remained predominantly in black and white, Robert introduced colour for special events as coloured ink became more affordable in the 1980s.

"In about 1973, because of

a worldwide paper shortage – they got the paper printed in the Latrobe Valley and that was a lot quicker, different process, and that continued from then."

The Mirror also operated a commercial printing business employing a number of people.

"When I first took over there was probably about eight of us all up, with mainly one or two journalists. But we did a lot of printing back in the day for heaps of businesses all around the area, and so we had apprentices. As they came out of their apprenticeships they stayed around, they kept working. But over the years it got tougher, offset printers and colour were coming in, we didn't do as much printing, so over the

years staff left."

In recent years, The Mirror had one other journalist working alongside Robert, and his long-time colleague, "my off-sider", who had been with the paper since 1979, who also recently departed.

Robert acknowledged the newspaper industry has been in steady decline over the past ten to twenty years, attributing it to a greater number of readers sourcing information digitally.

"Social media and the internet have taken over. The world has changed. You've got to go with it. You can still make a handy income out of the business. Older generations love the paper, they continue to buy it, whereas the younger generation, they are always on their phones."

Despite his efforts to sell the business over the years, deals repeatedly fell through.

"Nearly a couple of times, but all fell through," he said.

"We're not shutting because of the financial side of things, it's just simply because I've had enough and I've had long-term staff who are worn out as well."

Reflecting on the demanding workload of owning a newspaper, Robert responded, "It's never-ending. Deadlines. I'm sick of deadlines. I just want to kick back a bit and enjoy a bit of downtime."

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Develop your career at the JobSkills Expo

THE JobSkills Expo is back on Tuesday, July 23, in partnership with the Department of Education and Latrobe Valley Authority, the expo is double the size – a first for the Gippsland region. The Jobskills Expo has become a major event for schools and industry in our region, targeting Year 9, 10 + VPC/VM students, community members, and young people from training and community organisations in the Baw Baw Shire, Latrobe City, South Gippsland, Bass Coast, Wellington and East Gippsland. The JobSkills Expo would not be possible without the generous financial sponsorship from local organisations and the continued support of exhibitors.

With over 2400 students from across Gippsland booked in to participate, Exhibitors are looking forward to showcasing the various skills and jobs that make up our regional workforce. With a particular focus on “hands-on” activities, organisers are looking forward to seeing some wonderful and creative displays. The Department of Education and Latrobe Valley Authority’s “My Gippsland 2035” pavilion will see a dedicated space for students who identify as female or gender diverse given a chance to learn more about the opportunities available to them in traditionally male dominated industries.

There will also be some exciting displays including emerging industries, allied health, emergency services, defence force, apprenticeships/traineeships, trades and utilities. In addition, TAFE Gippsland will be showcasing a huge array of their training courses, including community services, health studies/nursing/aged care, screen/media/visual arts, beauty, agriculture, automotive, electrical, painting and decorating, bricklaying, carpentry/cabinet making and foundation/transition studies plus many more.

The 2024 JobSkills Expo is proudly made possible through its sponsors, whose support helps make it the successful event it is each year: TAFE Gippsland, Baw Baw Shire Council, Latrobe City Council, Alinta Energy, Federation Uni, Marinus Link, Energy Australia, Monash Rural Health, Community College Gippsland, Star of the South, Latrobe Valley Buslines, Gippsland Water, Lardner Park and AGA Apprenticeships.

Local Rotary Clubs band together to provide fresh drinking water in Timor Leste

IN A landmark achievement for the community of Cailaco, Timor Leste, the installation of a crucial safe water system has been successfully completed at the Salesian Sisters Orphanage and Primary School. Facilitated by Rotary Projects Timor Leste and Disaster Aid Australia, this initiative is set to significantly benefit not only the orphanage and school but also the surrounding community.

This milestone was made possible through generous support and collaboration with South Coast Rotary Clubs, including the clubs of Phillip Island and San Remo, Wonthaggi, Inverloch, Leongatha, Korumburra, and Foster.

It marks a significant step forward in enhancing access to safe water across the region, ensuring over 18,000 individuals, including the residents of Cailaco, now have reliable access to clean water, thanks to the concerted efforts of local South Coast Rotary Clubs.

The Salesian Sisters, integral members of the renowned Don Bosco Schools network, play a pivotal role in Timor-Leste by providing education and opportunities to underprivileged youth. This initiative resonates deeply with their mission to empower young people through education and create pathways for a brighter future.

“We extend our deepest gratitude to all supporters, particularly Rotary clubs, whose unwavering dedication enables us to carry out this essential work and bring the magic of Rotary to communities worldwide,” expressed a spokesperson for DAA.

The completion of this project stands as a testament to the transformative power of collective action in addressing critical humanitarian needs. South Coast Rotary Clubs will continue to work to sustain and expand these life-changing initiatives in the years ahead.

Showcasing hospitality skills with the Gippsland community during special event

CLIENTS from Yooralla’s Leongatha Community Hub have shown off their incredible hospitality skills, during a very special ‘Christmas in July’ event at local establishment – Moo’s at Meeniyen.

This is the fourth time the team at Moo’s have graciously opened up the doors to let Yooralla’s Hospitality program participants take over the restaurant and kitchen, serving up a “delightful array of dishes” to guests from across the Gippsland community.

Yooralla’s Hospitality program gives participants the opportunity to develop hospitality skills and experience – with the aim of future employment in the industry.

The Hospitality team have been preparing tirelessly for this event, collaborating with Marty, owner of Moo’s, over several months to meticulously plan and execute the evening.

“The event was an absolute hit,” said Sharon, Service Manager of Yooralla’s Leongatha Community Hub.

“As always, the Hospitality team excelled, showcasing their exceptional skills both in the kitchen during meal prep and in serving dinner to the guests,” said Sharon.

Around 45 guests indulged in canapes, pumpkin soup shots, and zucchini and corn fritters. The indulgence didn’t stop there however, with guests having the choice between slow-braised brisket with roasted potatoes and broccoli, or ricotta and spinach-filled pasta with passata sauce and salad. The equally decadent dessert options included chocolate brownies or sticky date pudding.

Dan, a Hospitality program participant said that he “loved every single second of the night, one of the most eventful nights of the year.”

“My favourite part of the night was getting all the orders out to everyone,” said Dan.

“The night was incredible but exhausting,” agrees Luke, Yooralla client.

“There were so many people



Yooralla Leongatha Community Hub showed off their incredible skills recently. From left, back, Murray, Michael, Daniel, Eva and Luke. Front, Kim, Kara, Lauren, Marty, Jess and Lucy.



Eva with Moo’s of Meeniyen owner, Marty.



Jessica shows off the delectable treats that were on offer.

to get meals out to. I was part of cooking in the kitchen, which was hard work. I helped cook pasta and put the food on the plates,” he said.

“I am constantly in awe of [the Hospitality program participant’s] professionalism and the impressive skills they bring to the hospitality space, most of them being on their feet from when they arrived at 9am that day,” Sharon added.

“I think we nailed that night, with Marty’s help,” said Jess, Yooralla client.

This event is a testament to the strong ties that Yooralla shares with its community businesses, and the unwavering support provided by the local community.

“I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to Marty for his generous hospitality, welcoming us to take over his restaurant time and time

again throughout the years,” said Sharon.

“This event marks our last collaboration with Marty, as he has sold his business. We wish you the best of luck Marty,” said Sharon.

The Hospitality program is just one of the many programs available at Yooralla’s Community Hubs. Find out more on Yooralla’s website, at yooralla.com.au/services/community-hubs-and-supports

The prestigious Melbourne Cup visits Newhaven College



Members of the Newhaven College Equestrian team, Olivia Berry, Charlee Hevern, Mabel Richardson, Keely Filsell, and Olivia Curtain (holding the Cup).

NEWHAVEN College was thrilled to welcome Representatives from the Victoria Racing Club (VRC) and the prestigious Lexus Melbourne Cup on Friday, June 28. The Year 9 Environmental Centre and grounds provided the perfect venue to view the gleaming Lexus Melbourne Cup while being entertained by Mounted Games demonstrations.

Newhaven College’s very own Mounted Games competitor, Year 12 student Gabe Smith was one of the riders, along with other professional riders. Gabe, and his sister Giselle, have been selected to represent Australia in riding competitions to be held in Italy and France, including the World Individual Mounted Games Championship in La Scuderia, in July. The competitions will run simultaneously with the Paris Olympics.

During their visit to Newhaven College, the Cup and racing legend, and Lexus Melbourne Cup Ambassador Joe Agresta visited various parts of the school, stopping for a while in the Junior School. The young students were fascinated by the stories about the Melbourne Cup and were in awe of the beauty of the gleaming Cup.

The visit of the VRC representatives and the Lexus Melbourne Cup to Newhaven College Centre was more than just a display of a trophy. It was a day of cultural exchange, historical learning and community engagement, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended. The event not only highlighted the prestige of the Melbourne Cup but also highlighted the importance of connecting educational experiences with real world events.

NAIDOC Events

South Gippsland Shire
THURSDAY 11 July, 10.00am to 12.00pm
Leongatha Dakers Centre (23 Smith Street, Leongatha)
Smoking ceremony followed by an art workshop led by Aboriginal artist Kobi Sainty.
It is a free event, however people are encouraged to register at southgippsland.vic.gov.au/NAIDOC

Bass Coast Shire
On Sunday, July 7, Bass Coast Shire Council will be projecting NAIDOC imagery onto Berninnet.
Bunurong Land Council's "Welcome to Country" video will also be played on smart screens at Berninnet.

First Nations Art Exhibition
Venue: Artspace Wonthaggi, The Centennial Centre, 1 Bent Street
Dates: July 2 – August 11
Organised by the Bass Coast/South Gippsland Reconciliation Group, this exhibition showcases the incredible talents of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists. Explore a vivid collection of artworks that speak volumes of stories and heritage. Don't miss the ongoing virtual exhibition, accessible to all.

First Nations Films

Wonthaggi Union Community Arts Centre

- Origin July 2, 10.30am and July 12, 7.30pm
- The Convert, July 4, 4.30am
- The Song Keepers, July 7, 1.30pm (Free event)
- The Australian Dream, July 7, 4.30am

Berninnet, Cowes

- Origin July 2, 4.30am and July 10, 1.30pm
- The Convert, July 9, 4.30pm and July 10, 4.30pm.

Upcoming First Nations Shows

The Sunshine Club
Thursday July 25, 7:30pm – 10:00pm
Berninnet, 91-97 Thompson Avenue, Cowes
basscoastculturalvenues.com/event-details/the-sunshine-club-1

Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud and Proud

THE Bass Coast/South Gippsland Reconciliation Group is proud to announce the 2024 NAIDOC Week First Nations Art Exhibition, set to be a vibrant celebration of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art. Hosted at the ArtSpace Wonthaggi gallery, this annual event is a highlight of NAIDOC Week, providing a platform for First Nations artists to showcase their work and share their rich cultural heritage with the community.

NAIDOC Week, celebrated nationwide, is an opportunity for all Australians to learn more about the cultures, histories, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The 2024 theme, 'Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud and Proud,' encapsulates the enduring strength and vitality of First Nations culture. The fire represents the enduring strength and vitality of Indigenous cultures, passed down through generations despite the challenges faced. It is a symbol of connection to the land, to each other, and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

National NAIDOC Committee Co-Chair, Auntie Lynette (Dr) Riley, highlights the importance of this year's theme: "The resilience of mob, our shared experiences, collective memories and kinship is a source of tremendous pride. We honour the flame of the fire, kindling the sparks of pride and unity, igniting a renewed commitment to acknowledging, preserving, and sharing the cultural heritage that enriches our nation. This year's theme is a clarion call to continued unity and solidarity for all Australians to come together and celebrate."

The 2024 NAIDOC Week First Nations Art Exhibition will run from today (Tuesday, July 2), to Sunday, August 11, with a virtual exhibition launching on Sunday, July 7. This extended period allows ample time for visitors to immerse themselves in the powerful and evocative works on display. The virtual exhibition, accessible at naidoc-art.com.au, extends beyond the physical gallery, reaching audiences far and wide.

The official opening of the exhibition will take place on Sunday, July 7, from 1pm to 3pm. Attendees will be welcomed with a traditional Welcome to



Port Phillip Bay, Naarm by Patrice Mahoney OAM was one of the artworks on display last year.



NAIDOC Week 2023 Indigenous Art Exhibition by Safina Stewart – Honouring Boundary Lines (Pink and Green) Diptych.

Country and Smoking Ceremony. Visitors will also have the unique opportunity to meet the artists and gain insights into their creative processes and the cultural significance of their work.

The artists featured in this year's exhibition are the backbone of the event. Their dedication and talent have made the NAIDOC Week First Nations Art Exhibition a cornerstone of the local cultural

calendar. The Bass Coast South Gippsland Reconciliation Group extends its heartfelt thanks to these artists for their continued support and contributions over the years.

Don't miss this magical and inspiring event, head to AtSpace Wonthaggi to experience the power and beauty for yourself.

For more information about NAIDOC Week and related events, visit naidoc.org.au.

NAIDOC Stories, Songs & Bush Tucker

NAIDOC Stories, Songs & Crafts Bush Tucker Afternoon Tea
Tuesday, July 2, 1pm – 2pm
WaterLine Library, Corinella Community Centre
This special NAIDOC Week School Holiday Program is a fun, free, one hour session celebrating Aboriginal Stories, Songs, Crafts and a Bush Tucker Afternoon Tea. Bookings are required to ensure we have enough supplies for all attendees. Adult carers do need a ticket.

NAIDOC Week Special Story Time*
Monday, July 8, 10am
Korumburra Library

NAIDOC Week Story Time
Monday, July 8, 10.30am – 11am
Wonthaggi Library
Join Myli for stories, songs and craft activities to explore and celebrate NAIDOC Week. Held during the regular weekly story time session at the Wonthaggi Library. Myli's Story Time programs are developed for children 3-5. Younger and older children are welcome to join in the session. These programs are free. Bookings not required.

NAIDOC Week Special Story Time*
Monday, July 8, 11am
San Remo Library

NAIDOC Week Movie
Tuesday, July 9, 2pm – 4pm
Foster Library
Celebrate NAIDOC week with a free showing of Kanopy documentaries exploring music, experience and connection.

Foster Library Painting with Nature
Wednesday, July 10, 10am – 11am
Manna Gum Community House
Join Myli to celebrate Naidoc Week with this opportunity to explore making art with natural materials.

NAIDOC Week Special Story Time*
Wednesday, July 10, 10.30am
Inverloch Library

NAIDOC Week Special Story Time*
Thursday, July 11, 10.30am
Leongatha Library

NAIDOC Week Special Story Time*
Friday, July 12, 10.30am
Foster Library

*Join Myli in exploring literacy, language and culture through First Nations music, stories and songs. This 30-minute special Story Time is catered toward preschool ages, but children of all ages are welcome.



**KEEP THE FIRE BURNING!
BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD**
7-14 JULY 2024



Inviting community to celebrate NAIDOC week with a flag raising and smoking ceremony performed by Christopher Hume

The fire will be lit traditionally with fire sticks

THURSDAY 11 JULY

GIPPSLAND SOUTHERN HEALTH SERVICE

LEONGATHA CAMPUS 10-12.30PM
KORUMBURRA CAMPUS 1.30-3PM

Celebrate the enduring strength and vitality of our First Nations culture – with fire a symbol of connection to Country, to each other, and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Please RSVP by Friday July 5 if you wish to attend by emailing executive.assistant@gshs.com.au



Sentinel-Times

COMMENT

Job well done by the Foster Mirror

IF YOU'LL forgive us a brief indulgence, it was disappointing to see the demise of another South Gippsland newspaper last week with the final edition of the 124-year-old Foster Mirror hitting the streets.

The fact that it lasted that long is a tribute to the efforts publishers Robert and Jenny Best and their team who ran the paper in the true spirit of local newspapers, especially in recent times, mainly as a service to the community.

It's well known that the people at the Foster Mirror have always loved their sports and over the years they've helped teams, clubs and individuals celebrate literally hundreds of triumphs, while also commiserating with the vanquished as well.

But it's not just the sport. They've promoted and covered the performing arts too, including resilient local theatre group FAMDA, the visual arts, crafts, in fact any activity supported by community groups and individuals.

Fundraising efforts, annual events including the fantastic Foster Show, community campaigns, festivals, the hospital, the schools; you name it; they found a place for it all in the Mirror.

Through weekly death notices and funeral notices, they also brought the community together in its grief.

And along the way they've supported local business by bringing the Mirror's readership to the marketplace, highlighting property for sale, groceries, cars, cattle and all the rest.

In fact, that's one of the greatest strengths of newspapers, being able to capture the reader's interest in sports and important news and events, but as they turn the page, introducing them to information, events and advertisers' messages they might not have expected to see.

And it's the advertisers, whether that be business, local government or government departments and agencies that finance the production of local newspapers and the important work of independent journalists.

While we've seen some of the smaller newspapers and niche publications cease production in recent years, in the face of competition from online and other promotion options, many community newspapers are still going strong.

And when the authorities break down as badly as we've seen in recent months, unbelievably applying retrospective planning overlays to hundreds of established homes in Wonthaggi, the local newspaper really comes into its own taking up the cause of individuals against the unseen but all-powerful bureaucracy.

Let's hope they continue to champion the community's causes and celebrate its successes for many more years to come.

Vox Pop

What are your plans over the winter school holidays?



Tania De Freitas
Gurdies

"My children are grown up now, so I'll be working over the holidays at Bassine Specialty Cheeses and making sure everyone gets a beautiful experience."



Tony Petersen
Coronet Bay

"As well as working at Bassine Specialty Cheeses, I'll be taking some time to play guitar, go for a surf and do a few long runs."



Patricia Meers
Glen Forbes

"I'll be working and the kids will be helping on the farm, and we'll head away camping over the weekends."



Katie Dancer
Pioneer Bay

"I homeschool my two children, but yes, they'll be having holidays, nonetheless they'll also be doing some chores at home and on the farm."

Wonthaggi people to be congratulated, he says

THE advice received from the Bass Coast Shire regarding the final assessment on the remaining properties covered by the retrospective Environmental Audit Overlays and the expected lifting of the EAOs from land titles has been warmly welcomed by all those affected and by the wider community.

The removal of the EAOs is certainly unprecedented as a planning scheme amendment usually takes between 12 to 18 months. This is a true indication and recognition that a monumental mistake was made in applying this unheralded, unwarranted blight in the first place and the terrible impact it has caused, a sad, sorry situation that should never have happened. So much angst and anger, so unnecessary!

This incredible backflip has been brought about by the incredible support and action from the Bass Coast residents and friends from the wider community who have banded together to ensure justice prevails.

It has been achieved through intense lobbying, through the media, letter drops, so many letters to Council and Government, meetings with Members of Parliament, attendance at rallies and face-to-face conversations with the community.

The personal stories of how devastating this issue has been on the lives of those affected have been shared and listened to, real stories from real people.

There will be further questions before the issue is put to bed no doubt which is important, starting in parliament at a future time, triggered by over 4000 signatures on the circulated petition.

Thank you again to all who have stepped up to support our action. This pressure has brought the desired change, and it is a great win for people power and common sense. The wonderful spirit of the community wins hands down. Our job is almost done!

John Duscher, Chair Wonthaggi North-East Residents Community Action Group.

Where's our Wally councillors?

As a ratepayer in Bass Coast Shire Council for the last 24 years, I feel I have the right to ask this self-serving group of councillors to justify their existence and the duty they owe to us, the ratepayers, as we are paying their allowances.

I may be naïve or ill-informed, but over the last five months since this EAO was dumped on ratepayers in Wonthaggi, I have not read one item in the local

Sentinel-Times, written by any councillor, or observed any of them at the recent public meetings that have been held to protest this disgraceful act of betrayal.

I did state over a five-month period, but if the true facts are known, they probably knew for some time. One would think that at least our last outgoing Lord Mayor and our new Lord Mayor would have shown some sense of decency and attended these meetings, but unfortunately, they missed the opportunity to demonstrate this, but instead, chose to show their lack of it.

One past Lord Mayor, now our state representative in government, did actually show her face at the first public meeting, but upon sensing the anger and disgust of the ratepayers present, has not returned to any further meetings.

To any aspiring people with intent to run for council positions this year, I say go for it and you will, get many votes, especially mine. I will if need be, refuse to vote for any of our current councillors and will instead, vote for their opponent, whoever they might be, as the devil you do not know cannot be any worse than our current lot.

This EAO debacle has exposed the total lack of concern, respect or consideration that councillors think we ratepayers are entitled to. They keep this for themselves.

The council administration, starting from the top down, needs to be re-evaluated as this recent situation has exposed some serious mistakes in the performance of their duties.

Geoff Moore, Wonthaggi

Editor's note: Cr Brett Tessari attended the first public meeting on Saturday, May 11.

Keeping Wonthaggi whistle clean

AT SOUTH Gippsland Water, we're committed to providing you with the highest quality drinking water.

As part of our regular maintenance program, we'll be conducting air-scouring in Wonthaggi from July to November 2024. This essential process helps us maintain clean and efficient water delivery to your homes and businesses.

What is air-scouring?

Air-scouring is a specialised cleaning method used to remove sediments and mineral deposits from the insides of water mains. By injecting compressed air and water into the pipes, we can scrub the interior surfaces and flush out any build-up. This keeps our pipes clear and enhances the quality of water that reaches you.

When is it happening?

Our air-scouring activities will take place from July 3 and September 30, 2024.

We'll start at 9.30am in the morning.

- North Wonthaggi – July
- Central Wonthaggi and Dudley – August
- South Wonthaggi – September

Please note that while we are working in your area, you might experience temporary disruptions to your water service, including reduced water pressure or short periods without water. We'll do our best to minimise any inconvenience and ensure that service is restored as quickly as possible. Notification cards containing specific date and time information will be delivered to your mailbox by our maintenance staff.

- Residential customers – we will notify you at least three days prior to commencement of air-scouring in your street
- Business customers – we will notify you at least five days prior to commencement

What to expect during and after air-scouring

- Temporary water discolouration: After the cleaning, you may notice some water discolouration and air-bubbles. This is normal and can be fixed by simply running your cold taps for a few minutes
- Water pressure changes: You might experience lower water pressure during the maintenance hours. This will return to normal once the air-scouring is complete.
- Service interruptions: short interruptions in your water service may occur. We recommend keeping some water stored for essential use during the scheduled maintenance times.

How you can help

To ensure the best results, we suggest taking the following steps:

1. Avoid flushing toilets and using large appliances like washing machines and dishwashers during the scheduled maintenance times.
2. Store sufficient water for drinking, cooking, and personal hygiene needs before the maintenance starts.
3. Run your cold taps for a few minutes if you notice any discolouration after the service is completed.

We apologise if any inconvenience this necessary maintenance may cause and appreciate your understanding. These steps are crucial for maintaining the integrity of our water supply and providing you with clean, safe water.

Stay informed

For updates and more detailed information about the air-scouring schedule, please check our website regularly or follow us on our social media channels: Facebook - facebook.com/SouthGippslandWater

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact our customer service team on 1300 851 636 or sgwater@sgwater.com.au

MILPARA COMMUNITY HOUSE

THE new Term 3 Program has launched! We have some lovely new workshops and classes, and of course our many regular offers. Look out on our website and Facebook page for links to the courses and activities.

Enrol in a creative course: Magic of the Hook – Crochet and wool projects – With some magic hook action, you'll learn to transform wool into sample of fibre art.

Sewing for Beginners and Beyond – Join the ongoing group to learn the basics or bring your machine sewing projects and up your skills with a friendly group of sewers.

Or Stay Healthy through Winter:

Yoga Slow Flow Mornings – Alison takes the group through a Yin focused, slow moving deep relaxation.

Tai Chi for Arthritis – Gentle exercise for those

experiencing arthritis issues.

Important Information sessions – Milpara Community House has partnered with NBN Local to present some great talks:

Plan your Online Legacy – Manage your online accounts for post life. Monday, August 5, 2pm

Introduction to MyGov – Learn the ins and outs of your MyGov account. Monday, September 2, 2pm

If any of the above are of

interest to you, please get in touch, we're happy to help.

Milpara Community House – 15 Little Commercial Street, Korumburra, 5655 2524, or email hello@milpara.org.au. Our website is located at milparacommunityhouse.org.au – check it out.



15 Little Commercial St, Korumburra PH: (03) 5655 2524 www.milparacommunityhouse.org.au

WONTHAGGI NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

THE second school term holidays are on now and Mitchell House will still be open and welcoming to you over this two-week period. While the Wednesday community lunches will not be on, the community food pantry will still be available as will the frozen meals and bread for those in need.

The Grapevine Programs will not be at full strength. Here are some of the groups which will be meeting at their usual times:

You may be in holiday mode at this stage, come and try out

chess. The Chess group meet on Mondays from 1pm.

The Craft groups which top and tail the old working week, Mondays is How to make a Quilt from start – finish (the end product will keep you warm over the winter) 9.30am to 12.30pm and the Craft & Cuppa group on Fridays. Start a new project or bring along a current one to work on, they meet 10am to 12noon.

The AA, Al-Anon Family and Friends and the Narcotics Anon groups will continue meeting on their usual days

and times. AA Wednesday 7pm to 8pm, contact Sean 0425 707 480. Al-Anon Family and Friends on Fridays 10.30am to 12noon, call Karen on 0409 354 038 for more information and Narcotics Anon on Mondays 7pm to 8pm, for more information contact Peter on 0456 000 844.

The WNC membership year coincides with the beginning of the new financial year, so now is the time to renew or become a member and get some great benefits when you do. You get discounts to many of our activities and receive a

monthly newsletter plus The Grapevine program which lists groups, dates, days and times for the term. Both can be delivered online or by post, your choice.

Call Mitchell House or visit us on Facebook: Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre at Mitchell House. Or go to our website wonthaggi-neighbourhoodcentre.com.



6 Murray St, Wonthaggi PH: (03) 5672 3731 www.wonthaggi-neighbourhoodcentre.com

YES YOUTH HUB

THOUGHTS from a young person: The Youth Advisory Council is an extremely supportive and accepting community – we host great events, and we're always fun. The YAC is always really accepting and welcomes you just as you are. There's always something happening around here, and it's always fun when you come in and hang out at the Youth Hub.

During the school holidays, the YES Youth Hub will be open on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 2.30pm – 5.30pm. Each Thursday we will be hosting a free film screening for young people aged 12 – 17, please check out the social accounts for how to

book your tickets – registrations are essential, and spots are limited!

The Monday Meals program has been very successful, as have our drop-in sessions with numbers at an all-time high! We look forward to providing more opportunities for community engagement for all young people within the Bass Coast (and if you have an idea for us or want to see something happen in your community – reach out!). A reminder that if you're a young person aged 12 – 25 who needs a little extra support for yourself or your family, drop in and utilise the YYH community pantry and laundry each Monday

– Thursday afternoons.

Upcoming event! Winter BreakOut – generously sponsored by BCSC and delivered by the YYH, FReeZA, Gippsport Streetgames and Bass Coast Y team, will be delivering yet another incredible event for young people aged 12 – 17 on Friday, July 12. This BreakOut event is gonna be massive, and will feature a giant inflatable obstacle course, and a silent disco! Keep an eye on our socials for more info!

We're celebrating success at the YES Youth Hub, with the team having been successful with a Youth Fest grant made available by the Victorian Government DFFH. This will see an

amazing Youth Arts Exhibition take place during the month of September, and we are seeking expressions of interest. If you're a passionate young artist and want to have your art displayed, reach out for a chat! Keep an eye on our socials – IG-NITE! is coming soon!

Big thanks to the YAC Youth Journos – Levi Simon and Oliver Jobe for their valuable contributions to the weekly article, and their ongoing support of the YES Youth Hub.



76 Watt Street, Wonthaggi PH: 0477 224 430 @YESYouthHub

BASS COAST ADULT LEARNING

BCAL has a big Term 3 planned.

Mid-year enrolments are open with a great response to the Horticulture and IT Certificate courses. The Hairdressing course is also open for new enrolments. Participants received their certificates last week and are now on their way to a fulfilling and creative career.

A new course being introduced in Term 3 is Introduction the Health Services. This course recognises that the health sector is a high demand industry with many non-clinical positions available.

Over 10 weeks, participants will learn about available positions, connect with the industry through visiting speakers and excursions, and assess career pathways. All the skills are transferrable to many other industries.

Please visit bcal.vic.edu.au or call 5672 3115 to learn more.

WONTHAGGI COMMUNITY GARDEN

The garden volunteers are looking forward to a good crop of potatoes after a long wait for volunteer/member Kevin's starter tubers to sprout. Kevin planted about 20 spuds into a well-prepared raised plot last week.

Each single tuber should produce multiples, enough for his needs and for sharing around.

There is debate about which sort of potatoes to plant, with some folk favouring seed potatoes, ready to plant from garden suppliers. It will be interesting to see how the garden's crop performs.

There's plenty to plant and harvest at the garden at the moment. For more information about what's happening contact tgordon@westnet.com.au, drop in on a Thursday between 10 and noon, to chat to the volunteers, or call BCAL on 5672 3115.

U3A WONTHAGGI

U3A Wonthaggi is excited to announce that there are still vacancies available for several popular courses in Term 3 and new courses commencing in Term 4.

Term 3 courses include Stretch and Strength exercise, Modern European History, Garden Club, Fitness, Fun and Food, Spanish for Beginners and Travellers, Recorder Consort, Cryptic Crosswords, Barchester Chronicles, Craftaholics, Shakespeare, Let's Sing, and Saturday Book club.

Term 4 courses will feature Health Matters, International Politics and Social Change, Memoir & Autobiography Writing.

Spaces are limited, people are encouraged to register as soon as possible. To view the complete list of courses, class schedules, and descriptions, please visit u3awonthaggi.org.au.

Registration can be done through the website or by calling 0493 471 254 or 0419 220 084

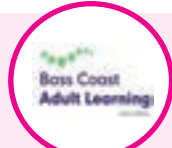
WONTHAGGI WOODCRAFTERS

The Woodies' regular sessions will be continuing through the school holidays. They rarely take public holidays off either. There's no rest for the creative!

To see some of the wonderful creations made in the workshop, and sometimes how they're made, why no follow the Woodies on their social profiles?

Search Facebook for Wonthaggi Woodies or follow [wonthaggi-woodcrafters](https://www.facebook.com/wonthaggi-woodcrafters) on Instagram.

For more information visit wonthaggiwoodcrafters.com.au or visit workshop.



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LIFE Moments



Celebrating 60 years of marriage

TOBY and Georgia Bolding of Lance Creek have celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary this week. The duo were married in St George's Anglican Church in Wonthaggi on June 27, 1964. Since then, they have welcomed four daughters, 14 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren to the family.

The pair celebrated the milestone with a family lunch at the Wonthaggi Coal Mine on Sunday, June 23.

Send your photos to news@sgst.com.au

• FAITH FACTOR

Finding Peace in the Chaos

By Janet Snashall-Woodhams, Inverloch-Wonthaggi Uniting Church

I AM an avid news watcher but have been avoiding it lately because it all seems so distressing. We have made our way out of a global pandemic, only to find the world around us turning itself upside down in so many ways.

What is going on, both close to home and further afield, feels very overwhelming at times.

In the storms of life, it can feel like we have lost control.

In the chaos, it is easy to start to feel afraid.

As the storms rage around we yell out, 'Don't you care?' or, 'It's all your fault, you're to blame!' People of faith get angry at God.

In the midst of the storm, we want someone or something to blame for what is happening.

I hear and see it on the news, radio and social media. People whipping up fear, hate, division, and uncertainty. People fuelling the flames of chaos for their own ego, power and gain.

In the Gospel of Mark, there is a story of Jesus fast asleep in a boat, with his head on a cushion. I just love that little bit of detail in this story. Maybe it is to give the impression that he was very comfortable and peacefully asleep.

Chaos (the storm) whips up and his travelling companions are afraid, so they yell at Jesus. Don't you care about us? We are about to die!! Chaos is called to be quiet, to be still. Jesus wonders why the others in the boat are so afraid. Maybe the story is a metaphor for our time. Chaos and storms will rage, and it is our work as a community to still or calm them rather than inflame them.

We are called to bring about God's peace on earth. Called to live lives of love, inclusion, justice, and grace. If each of us practised that, we can calm and still the storms that rage around us. That is faith in action. And to that, I say Amen – so be it!



Jordy recently held his book launch at Wonthaggi Bowls Club to the delight of friends and family.

Jordy Patullo bringing his story to life

LOCAL Phillip Island footballer and young support worker, Jordy Patullo had a story to share; a story held deep within him, waiting to be released and last month he launched this story – this personal journey of experience and challenges – his very first book, *Walking in Faith*.

Growing up as a Christian, Jordy wrote the book to share a different perspective on life. Revealing his personal experiences with grief and spirituality, offering insights for those facing hardships.

Walking in Faith was a near two-year writing journey with a vision of helping others through tough times.

“The story came easily, I would work throughout the day and then at night I’d sit down and write for hours – sometimes it felt like thirty minutes, but three hours would have passed,” Jordy shared.

Jordy said that he found writing this story simply came naturally to him, with the ideas flowing freely.

“I wrote the first half and then discovered how I wanted it to end – I wrote the ending and filled in the rest to how I envisioned it evolving.”

Writing wasn’t a part of Jordy’s life; he didn’t enjoy English at school and had no prior experience with creative writing; however, he shared that this was a story he wanted to tell.

“Everyone has a story, and I was really passionate about sharing this one to help others,” said Jordy.

Jordy formed characters based on personal experiences and values, with a focus on Christianity.

“You don’t have to be religious to read *Walking in Faith*, it is written to share a different perspective. Having autism, I wrote the character with the challenges that I have faced to a degree,” said Jordy.

“It’s more than just believing in God; it is also about relationships and things that happen throughout our lives.”

Walking in Faith is a tale for anyone, at any stage of life. A story of connection.

Having control of where the story went continued to inspire Jordy’s writing, with him sharing that “it was my journey with self-publishing that I found the most difficult.”

Jordy appointed Samantha Jensen Publishing for support and launched his first book – officially making him a self-published author at the age of 24.

Having been a positive experience for Jordy and with 100 other ideas in his mind to put into words, Jordy is developing his own small business – The Co-Author Collective, his next journey in helping others share their story. For more information on how to become a self-published author email jordy@thecoauthorcollective.com.au

Walking in Faith a story of love, grief and hope is available at Amazon.com.au.

Students celebrate first semester efforts

BASS Coast College held its Year 12 formal at Silverwater Resort on Thursday night.

The formal is an opportunity for the students to celebrate the end of the first semester and is an acknowledgement of the hard work they’ve put in during their unit three studies.

“What we like about it is most of our Year 12 cohort are here and it’s a wonderful opportunity for them to be able to connect with their peers that they don’t always spend time with at school,” McKenzie campus principal Ross Bramley said.

“It’s also a great opportunity for our staff to connect with their students outside the classroom.”

Bass Coast College has more than 190 students studying in Year 12 this year.

More than 150 attended the



Isla Cousins, Eliza Wintle, Millie Tiziani, Ruby Anderson, Jade Ricardo, Ella Orr, Mia Boost and Farrah Sibly enjoyed the Bass Coast College Year 12 formal on Thursday night.

formal on Thursday night.

The night included a photo booth, dinner, trivia and activities, and ended with dancing with a DJ providing the music.

Bass Coast College thanked Silverwater Resort for its on-

going support.

“It’s a massive event to put on. The school just keeps growing and our Year 12 cohort keeps growing, so it’s great for Silverwater to be able to cater for us and put on such a wonderful

night,” Mr Bramley said.

“I’d also like to thank our Year 12 coordinator Vaughn Gleeson for his organisation on the school side of things, and all the staff who put time into making this event possible.”

Slatter holds first solo sculptural exhibition

DYLAN James Slatter from Wonthaggi has been creating sculptures for about 20 years, using a range of materials from plaster and plastic to foam and bones.

Although it’s been a side hobby of his for so long, he has only ever sculpted for himself.

“It’s always been my own way of exploring and expressing various thoughts and emotions. A self-prescribed personal therapy,” he states.

After recently showing the owner of a Melbourne art gallery some images of his work and a number of his pieces together, Dylan was invited to host a solo exhibition.

The exhibition is titled ‘Roetoaiiz Seortez - artefacts of the subconscious’ and his collection of works will be exhibited in the main gallery at the Compendium Gallery in Armadale.

“One part of the concept for my exhibition ‘Roetoaiiz Seortez’ is creating futuristic meteor-styled pieces that open with a fleshy interior, that then birth the larger abstract creature pieces,” Dylan explains.

“The concept for this exhibition came to me while dreaming, I noticed the meteor-looking shape, and that it appeared to have birthed something. The other main sculptures are pretty intense to view, very emotive in a lot of ways.”



The first solo exhibition of a collection of sculptural works from Wonthaggi local, Dylan Slatter will be on display at the Compendium Gallery, Armadale from now until Saturday, July 13.

Many of Dylan’s ideas for his pieces originate from his dreams, nightmares and subconscious imagery. He believes our subconscious is at the forefront of our creative genius, rather than that of the conscious mind, and has a fascination with the sleep state.

“My obsession with dreaming goes deeper into lucid dreaming,” he states.

“It’s an incredible experience, to ‘wake up’ in your dream. I’m so obsessed with it, that I documented it at Monash University a number of years back, at the sleep labs.”

While hooked up to the sleep laboratory EEG monitors, Dylan would clench his jaw five times – the pre-planned signal – if he went into a lucid dreaming state.

“Fortunately, I did it, while in a REM sleep brain wave. The student then put me onto the professor of psychology and psychiatry there, and we continued some studies and eventually went to the brain science institute in Hawthorn to use their brain mapping equipment. It was a really exciting time.”

Dylan is also excited about this exhibition, but he states, it

will also be a bittersweet experience to part with pieces when he sells them.

“I just know whoever adopts them, will appreciate them like I do,” he states.

“I’m not only putting my sculptures on display but also dressing the gallery so it looks like the scene from an abstract film or dream scene. Lots of textures and materials will be added as additional stimuli.”

Dylan hopes he will capture the imagination and offer an ethereal, thought-provoking experience for audiences.

“I want (the audience) to think back the next day and question whether it was a dream or not.”

The exhibition and subsequent sale of work will also allow Dylan to free some space up in his studio and to keep evolving and creating newer pieces. It also opens up uncharted territory.

“I guess in another life I’d have loved to invent/create alien-type creatures for film, but now I’ve been invited to exhibit, this is a new path that I’m excited to explore.”

Roetoaiiz Seortez – artefacts of the subconscious is on at the Compendium Gallery, 909A High Street, Armadale, from now until Saturday, July 13. To see Dylan’s work visit [@dylan_slatter_art_portal](https://www.instagram.com/dylan_slatter_art_portal) on Instagram.

Korumburra artist Fiona Bilbrough wins prestigious award

KORUMBURRA artist Fiona Bilbrough’s artistic journey reached a new pinnacle at the prestigious Camberwell Art Show 2024, where her painting “My Sweet Mariposa” captured the coveted Best in Show award.

Chief Judge Mike Barr lauded Fiona’s work for its exceptional composition and confident execution, noting the effective use of quiet spaces and soft edges that enhanced the painting’s atmospheric quality and visual impact.

“A still-life painting that excels in composition and confident execution of paint. A good use of quiet spots and soft edges allow elements to shine without competing with other objects in the painting. A wonderful example of how even a still-life can project atmosphere and visual drama,” Chief Judge Mike Barr stated.

For Fiona, a seasoned artist

with a career blending teaching and painting since her graduation from Melbourne University with a Bachelor of Education in Fine Arts in 1990, this accolade marks another highlight in her artistic trajectory.

Throughout her career, Fiona’s artworks have found homes in private collections across Europe, including France, Italy, Spain, England, Scotland, and at home across Australia. She has exhibited widely, from prestigious galleries like Victorian Artists Society Galleries in Melbourne to smaller regional venues.

The Camberwell Art Show, established in 1966, has grown into one of Australia’s foremost art events, known for its diverse range of high-quality artworks and strong community support. Congratulations Fiona.



My Sweet Mariposa (oil on canvas) won the 2024 Camberwell Art Show Best in Show.

The countdown is on for Island Whale Festival 2024

THE Island Whale Festival 2024 is this weekend! It has been a busy whale season at Phillip Island with whales spotted almost daily off our shores. The Island Whale Festival celebrates the arrival of these majestic creatures and will feature a range of special events across Phillip Island.

Island Whale Festival 2024 runs from Friday July 5 to Sunday July 7 and is full of activities and events across the weekend, featuring the Festival Experience Hub located at Berninnet in Cowes. The full program can be found at islandwhales.com.au. Tickets to key events are selling fast so pre-book your activities to avoid disappointment!

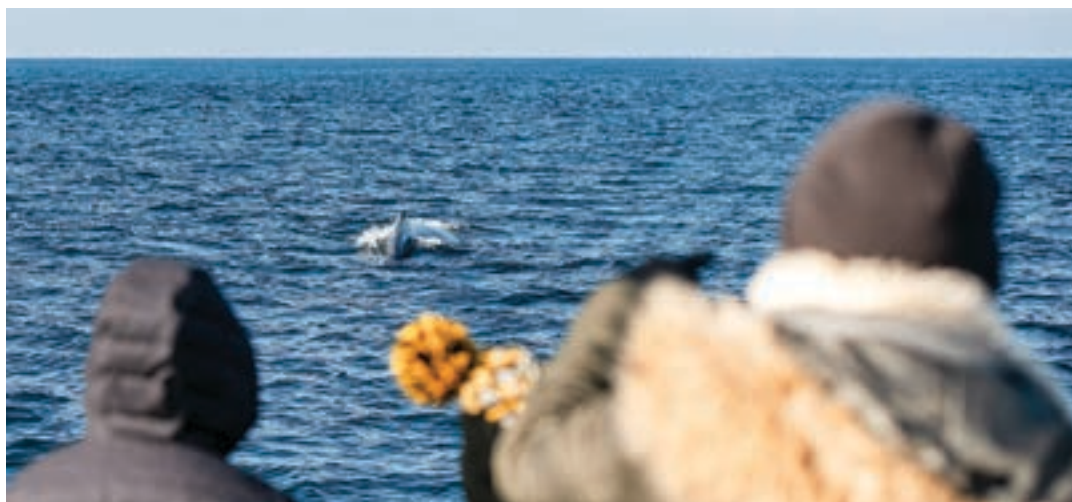
The family friendly Festival Hub will open with a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony presented by the Traditional Owners of the land, the Bunurong people of the Kulin Nation.

A Festival Experience Hub Pass will allow access to four great areas; the Theatre Program featuring interesting talks and presentations, Art Space including a virtual reality experience where you can 'snorkel' on the Southern Ocean Reef, an Under the Sea Immersive Room with sound and visuals featuring whales and marine creatures, and an Activity Space filled with interactive educational exhibits.

Inside the Activity Space will be interactive educational exhibits from Phillip Island Nature Parks, Dolphin Research Institute, Wildlife Coast Cruises, Boomerang Bags, Department of Fisheries, Turn the Page Books, Coastcare, Conservation regulator (DEECA), Deakin University, and University of Tasmania. Festival goers can visit each stall to answer questions and complete their Festival Passport and receive a prize. There will be plenty of kids activities including painting, colouring, drawing and a whale migration art piece where you can create and add your own whale tail.

The theatre program will include a range of talks and presentations covering various topics including, when whales walked and the Megalodon with palaeontologist Ben Franchiselli, conservation projects, the evolution of whales with palaeontologist Ruairidh Duncan, citizen science projects including Common Dolphins, Australian fur seals and Southern Right Whales, nature photography, marine career sessions and more. The Ngargee Dance Group, a collective of First Nations young women living on Boonwurrung Country will perform on Saturday afternoon.

There will be a number of free activities around the festival hub grounds; lawn games, a display from the Historical Society, and roaming constellation whale and sea critter puppets on Sunday, July 7 with



Celebrate the arrival of the whales with activities and events across Phillip Island.



Explore local art at The Nobbies Centre while searching for whales.

two shows – 11am and 12pm. Talented local musicians will perform at the Wildlife Coast Cruises Stage all weekend. See performances from talented local artists including Maddy May, Esta Christensen, Garry & John, Dann Lunn, Damien (Olly) Coombes, Finn Farley and Anna Scionti.

Myli Library will host a series of free sessions across the weekend including origami and hat making workshops, a Whale Tale Huddle and a Sacred Whale Circle.

Additional experiences at the Festival Hub include face painting, creative art workshops with local artist Karen Morton and a How to Draw Cartoon Whales workshop with creator of the Island Whale Festival mascots, artist Zev Landes.

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

Woolamai Beach Life Saving Club at Cape Woolamai will be the home of the Dolphin Research Institute and Two Bays Whale Project who will host Spot A Whale and Whale Tales sessions including a presentation followed by a guided whale-spotting experience with kids' activities. This is one of the best spots on the island to look for whales with its high vantage points. The team will also be hosting a Careers in marine Science session Sunday, July 7, 9.30am to 10.30am.

A Pop-Up Art show will take place at The Nobbies Centre featuring local artists, including

Jacque Chambers, Heather Fahnle, Annette Marshall, Lisa McClure, Elizabeth Allen, Ocean Dreams, Jillian Mitchell and Chris Farrell. Admire and purchase art while you look for whales on Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 3pm.

Thursday and Saturday night will host even events. Multi-award-winning journalist, radio presenter, and podcaster, Natasha Mitchell will host Whales Wine and Wisdom: An Evening of Intimate Insights and Breathtaking Cinema on Saturday, July 6. A panel of whale scientists will share fascinating stories of their research and the future of whale science for a live recording of ABC Radio's Big Ideas with Natasha Mitchell, followed by a screening of documentary The Big Blue with introduction and Q&A with Dr Pete Gill who features in the film.

The Ocean Film Festival will be screened at Berninnet Theatre on Thursday, July 4 at 6.30pm. The captivating lineup of seven awe-inspiring films explores the wonders of the ocean from both aerial and underwater perspectives. View over two hours of the most inspirational, educational and entertaining films related to the ocean from independent film makers around the world.

Several food and hospitality venues have joined the Island Whale Festival celebrations this year with Phillip Island Brewing Co's seasonal Whale of an Ale, Pino's Trattoria have whale artworks displayed in the restaurant throughout the school holidays, Ocean Reach Brewing are offering festival



Dive into a virtual reality snorkelling adventure at the Festival Experience Hub.

weekend specials and whale kids colouring in, and Mello San Remo will host Sip and Paint a Whale on Thursday, July 11.

Visitors and local community members wanting to give back to Phillip Island while visiting for the festival are invited to participate in a tree planting session, hosted by Phillip Island Landcare on Saturday, July 6.

Those wanting to get closer to the marine giants can join one of the Wildlife Coast Cruises whale and dolphin boat tours that circumnavigate the island in search of whales. Whale cruises operate daily until August 4.

Whales can also often be spotted from land along the Phillip Island and Bass Coast Whale Discovery Trail, featuring some of the finest land-based whale lookouts in the region. Rug up, grab your binoculars and head out to one of the fantastic vantage points along the coast and marvel at the area's stunning landscapes along the way.

With lots of excited visitors please remember to look after the coastal environment by watching out for wildlife on the roads and by keeping to the designated tracks.

Program information is available at islandwhales.com.au and bookings are recommended to avoid disappointment.

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Ocean Sounds 2025 line-up released

BIRDS of Tokyo, Boy & Bear, The Cat Empire and more are coming to Phillip Island for Ocean Sounds Festival on Saturday, January 11, 2025!

Join picnic rugs, smiling friends, stunning local wines, gourmet food, the summer-sun softly setting over the ocean and some of Australia's most amazing live music.

Returning for its eighth festival edition, Ocean Sounds is an annual family-friendly, music-lovers' all-day sunset concert series that will take place on the beautiful Phillip Island this summer.

And Ocean Sounds are thrilled to announce that for the first time ever, they will have not one, not two, but three incredible festival headliners!

Together, they have achieved 30 ARIA nominations, 36 triple j Hottest 100 entries and over 700 million streams.

Birds of Tokyo have grown from independent roots to become one of Australia's most popular contemporary rock bands. Songs like "Plans", "Lanterns", "This Fire", "Anchor" and "I'd Go With You Anywhere" have all been top 10 airplay hits and have led to appearances at every major festival in this country, as well as headlining slots at the AFL Grand Final and NRL's flagship State of Origin game.

More than seventy Birds of Tokyo songs have featured on triple j, making them one of the station's three most played artists of this millennium. The band are also the only artist in history to win "Rock Work Of The Year" on five separate occasions at the prestigious APRA Awards.

Boy & Bear have attained a level of staying power that most artists could only dream of; and all whilst maintaining their authentic vision and driving love for their craft. Achieving early career support from triple j Boy & Bear swiftly catapulted onto the world stage releasing their double-platinum debut album Moonfire in 2011, which went on to snag five coveted ARIA award wins. 2013's Harlequin Dream and 2015's Limit of Love strengthened Boy & Bear's expansive presence, with both albums charting at number one, and Harlequin Dream marking the group's second studio album to go platinum. From 2019's Suck on Light to 2023's self-titled full length (both top 10 albums), Boy & Bear have continued to evolve and grow, gaining more and more fans from across the globe.

In addition to their five consecutive top 10 albums and over 250 million streams, Boy & Bear's live show is a uniquely compelling experience and has earned the band the glowing reputation as one of Australia's most outstanding live acts.

Aussie icons The Cat Empire have had an illustrious career, spanning decades and genres. Illuminating stages across the globe, the band are a magnetic force that have captivated millions of adoring fans with their high energy performances and explosive sound and visuals!

With the band's infectious groove and vibrancy, audiences are guaranteed to shimmy, shake, and sing their way through a Cat Empire set.

With a history of multiple platinum records, awards, sold out tours and over 250 million streams, The Cat Empire have officially entered their golden era.

Plus Sunshine and Disco Faith Choir, Jem Cassar-Daley, Cool Out Sun, Ozone Street and a special performance from Milowl Dreaming.

Alongside some of Australia's best live acts, Ocean Sounds will also showcase local wines, cheeses and gourmet food vans. Attendees are invited to bring their family, friends, good vibes and to enjoy a memorable experience of quality music in a relaxed, atmospheric and picturesque environment.

Mark Saturday, January 11, 2025, in your calendar and get ready to sing along with some of Australia's most iconic live acts!

Pre-sale tickets on sale today (Tuesday, July 2) at 8am and general tickets on sale Wednesday, July 3 at 8am.

Tarwin Lower artists' collaborative exhibition

IN CELEBRATION of the local artists who took up a residency in the Tarwin Lower ArtCubes, an exhibition will be held to celebrate and sell their works.

Over several weeks, a variety of artists took to the cubes to bring their gifts, vibrancy, and fun to the small town, including painters, photographers, collage creators, dancers and even a podcaster.

The art show will prove to be unique as it pulls together all of these wonderful creative exhibits in the Tarwin Lower Hall over one great weekend.

Featured artists include Mandy Gunn, Leise Knowles, Kate Stuart, Martine Zajacek, Paul Hastings, Rebekah Robertson and Tracie B Mitchell.

While the Tarwin Lower Primary School displayed their art in the cubes for two weeks, due to the school holidays they are unlikely to be in the exhibition.

Convener of the exhibition and secretary of the Hall Committee, Margaret de Wolff said, "We really wanted to go out with a bang. And show off the amazing people we have in our community."

The committee are also hoping the renovations to the exterior of the hall which have been going on for the past 18 months will also be completed in time for the exhibition so people can check that out as well.

The exhibition will kick off with a special Gala Opening on Friday, July 12, at 6.30pm. Tickets \$10 from Trybooking.

The exhibition will continue through Saturday and Sunday, July 13 - 14, from 10am to 4pm and entry is free.

Alice Anderson and her All Girl Garage are coming to town



GET ready to rev your engines, because Alice Anderson and her All Girl Garage are coming to town as part of the 2024 Touring Services Program! This unique theatrical experience promises a blend of history, comedy, and mystery, spotlighting the remarkable life of Alice Anderson, a pioneering mechanic, entrepreneur, and trailblazer.

Set in the 1920s, "Garage Girls" transports audiences to Melbourne during the advent of the motorcar. Society is grappling with the aftermath of war and a second wave of the Spanish flu, while theatres hum with vaudeville acts and men with an eye for enterprise seize every opportunity to weasel wealth. Amidst this chaos, a small but determined woman defies convention and leaves her mark on history.

Who was Alice Anderson? Alice Anderson was no ordinary woman. She drove her baby Austin all the way to Alice Springs, a feat that would be impressive even today. Her all-women garage crew, dressed in greasy dungarees,

challenged societal norms and sparked curiosity and admiration. Who were these women, and what drove Alice to such extraordinary lengths?

Inspired by actual events and realised for theatre with a healthy dose of magic realism, breathtaking sound design and many colourful characters, played by five actors - Garage Girls is a rollicking ride celebrating a Victorian icon.

Don't miss your chance to experience this dynamic and entertaining show that honours a true Victorian icon. Alice Anderson and her All Girl Garage will be hitting the Regent Theatre, Yarram on July 14 at 3pm as part of their 2024 tour. Step back in time, embrace the spirit of adventure, and celebrate the indomitable spirit of one of history's most inspiring women.

Welcome to Miss Anderson's All Girl Garage—where history and imagination collide for an unforgettable theatrical journey!

LEFT: Book your tickets now, before they sell out!

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Acoustic Music Festival on this Saturday in Wonthaggi

THE Wonthaggi Acoustic Music Festival (WAM) will have the town thrumming this Saturday July 6, when a full day of great local musicians take to the stage and the Davidson Brothers headline an evening concert.

During the day, street band, folk, old time, Irish, blues, flamenco and bluegrass tunes will ring out, entertaining crowds from 9.45am to 6pm.

Local musicians performing include the Invy Horn Jam, run by Strat and Lyndal, who will also be playing on the day, South Dudley Tom will have toes tapping as well as Acoustic All sorts and Keachange, who have actually written a song about Wonthaggi.

There will be singing workshops with Jacqui Paulson and line dancing with Marian Wild, and there will be an opportunity for all musicians to bring along an instrument and have a jam with other attendees.

From 7pm to 10pm an evening concert will be held with Karavana Flamenco and the Bass Coast Pickers supporting the Davidson Brothers – Lachy and Hamish.

The list of awards and



WAM will be hosting brilliant local musicians including Strat and Lyndal, this Saturday in a full day of family friendly festival fun.

accolades the Davidson Brothers have earned is extensive and includes five Australian Country Music Awards.

This is the first event of its kind held in Wonthaggi and was the brain child of local artist Tessa Hubble and her family.

"My family and I have always had a very big background in music and art and culture. So, we've always had a massive appreciation for that."

Tessa has lived in Wonthaggi for the past few years and her parents have recently moved to the town to retire.

They thought it would be nice to have a music festival in Wonthaggi for the locals and to draw people into the town.

"We just thought we'd get some contacts start happening and apply for a grant and hope for the best."

Tessa's contacts include lead act, Lachy and Hamish Davidson, who she grew up listening to after seeing them live as a teenager with her parents.

They were an inspiration for Tessa and she has since befriended them and also painted their portraits to enter into the

Archibald Prize.

While Tessa and her family originally planned for the festival to fall in the summer last year, they unfortunately they didn't get the grant and decided to move it to winter instead.

"We thought, well maybe it'll be really good for winter, so people have something to look forward to when it's horrible."

"We can actually bring people together and if people are interested in wanting to have a good time, dancing and listening to music or just jamming together. It's going to hopefully give people something to look forward to every year."

There are plans to make the event an annual feature for the town with hopes of extending it to a two day festival.

Tickets are available from try booking: trybooking.com/CRJNJ. There are multiple ticket options available and a limited number so book soon.

WAM will be held from 9.45am to 10 pm on Saturday, July 6, at the Wonthaggi Town Hall, 18 Baillieu Street East, Wonthaggi.

For more information go to their Facebook page or email wonthaggiacousticmusicfestival@gmail.com.

What's on these school holidays...

Drama Sports

Tuesday, July 2, 11am
Wonthaggi Library

Wholelife Pharmacy & Healthfoods Grand Opening

Wednesday, July 3, 9am
46 Ridgeway, Mirboo North

Create a Dream Catcher

Wednesday, July 3, 10.30am
Korumburra Library

Here Be Dragons craft event

Wednesday, July 3, 11am
Wonthaggi Library

Island Whale Festival

Friday, July 5 – Sunday, July 7
Islandwhales.com.au for locations

Elders South Gippsland Annual Charity Golf Day

Friday, July 5
Leongatha Golf Club

Daffodil Festival craft

Friday, July 5, 10.30am
Leongatha Library

Leongatha Lyric Theatre "Into the Woods"

Friday, July 5, to Saturday, July 20
Memorial Hall, Leongatha

Children's Book Launch (Cactus Pooptus)

Saturday, July 6, 11am
Wonthaggi Library



Focaccia

By Meg Viney

ITALIAN flat bread – makes two (if you want one, you can refrigerate the other half for a few days)

Ingredients

- 2 ½ teasps yeast
- ½ cup warm water
- 1 ½ cups buttermilk
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 5 cups flour
- 1 teasps salt
- A few chopped herbs (or dry Italian herbs)

Method

Sprinkle the yeast onto the warm water and add a pinch of sugar to activate for 10 minutes.

Add the buttermilk and olive oil.

Then make the bread – use a food processor/breadmaker or your hands – blend and knead until you have a smooth dough.

Allow to rise in a lightly oiled bowl, in a warm place, until doubled.

Cut the dough in half and push it into a round shape on an oiled tray, then leave for about 15 minutes.

Heat the oven to 200 and place a pan of water in the bottom (steam helps the gluten to stretch). Using your fingertips, make little indentations in the dough, drizzle with a little oil and the herbs.

Bake for about 20 minutes, until golden and puffed.

Serve at once.

Vince Jones and Paul Grabowsky reunite for Provenance

FOLLOWING a sold-out show at Berninnet, Phillip Island on July 5, Australian music legends Vince Jones and Paul Grabowsky will be taking to the stage at Gippsland Performing Arts Centre, Traralgon, on Saturday, July 6.

Do not miss the opportunity to see the award-winning duo as they team up once again after decades apart on tour ahead of their second album release, breathing new life into their 2016 ARIA Best Jazz Album "Provenance," a collection of intimate ballads that highlight their unparalleled craftsmanship.

Provenance signifies a return to their roots, rekindling a collaboration that began in the 1980s when Grabowsky served as Jones' music director.

As Vince puts it, Provenance is "a collection of timeless songs with beautiful melodies".

The album features ballads that strip their artistry down to its core, showcasing the essential elements of piano and voice, and occasionally the flumpet – a hybrid of trumpet and flugelhorn.

Halfway through the creation of a follow-up album, Grabowsky and Jones' set will give life to some of the new creations including 'Dear Julian'.

Vince Jones is renowned for his genre-defying artistry, eloquent trumpet playing, and beautiful voice. With a career spanning thousands of gigs worldwide, platinum-selling Jones has never shied away from expressing his idealistic

perspective on the world.

"My father and mother were jazz lovers, the music in the house was jazz or classical," Jones recalled.

"My dad told me he took me to see Louis Armstrong as a young boy sitting on his shoulders in Glasgow. My love for jazz improvisation has flourished as I've gotten older."

Paul Grabowsky, a multi-ARIA-winning pianist, has made significant contributions to the Australian music scene. His accolades include directing prominent arts festivals, composing nearly 30 feature film scores, founding the Australian Art Orchestra, and holding executive roles at the ABC. Currently, he leads the Academy of Performing Arts at Monash

University.

"Provenance" opens with "Rainbow Cake," a track composed by Jones and Grabowsky in the 1980s. The album continues with "Oh My Love," a poignant rendition of the John Lennon and Yoko Ono classic and includes a variety of timeless songs from different genres, as well as several original compositions by Jones. Each track is a testament to their enduring talent and musical evolution.

With its blend of classic and original ballads, Vince Jones and Paul Grabowsky's Provenance Duo show is poised to captivate audiences and remind fans of the timeless nature of true craftsmanship in music.

LAUNCH PARTY!!

Louise B Braumann is launching her debut children's book "Cactus Pooptus"

Wonthaggi Library
23 Murray Street, Wonthaggi VIC 3995
Saturday, July 6, 2024
11am-12pm



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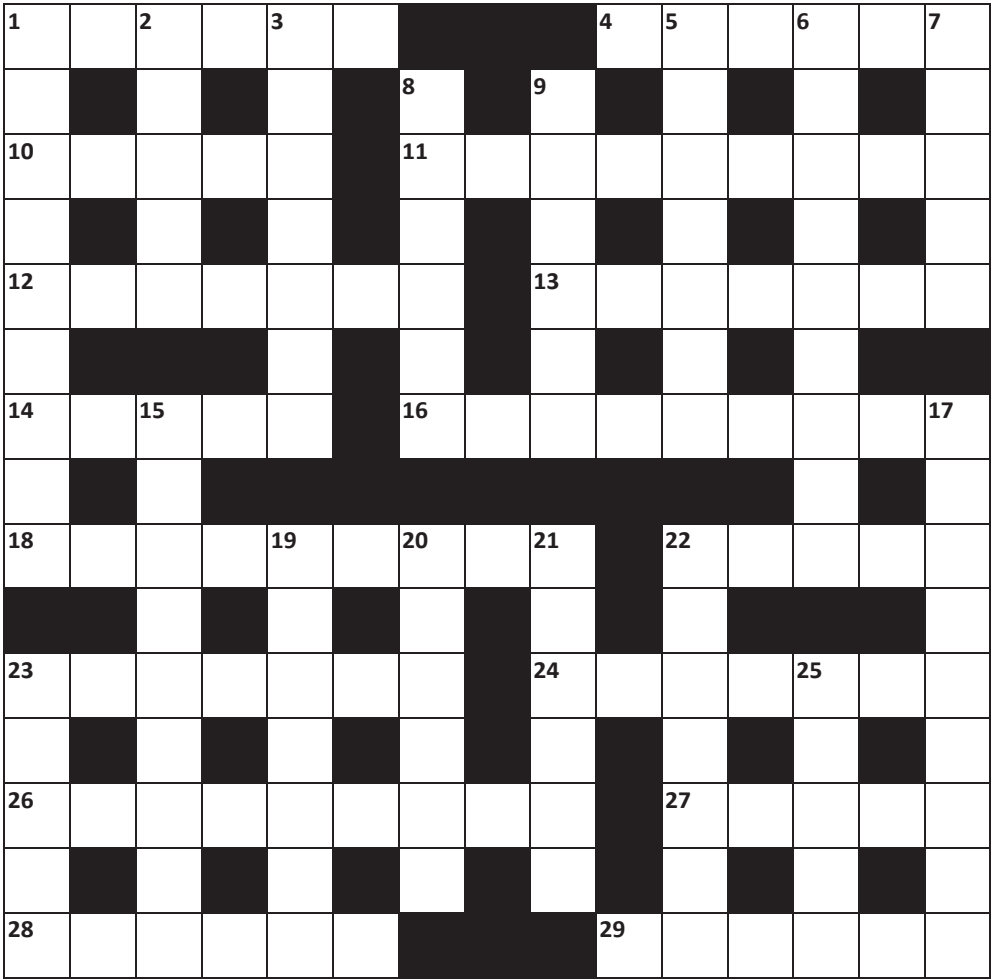
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ACROSS

- 1 In... (6)
- 4 ...an element of makin' Soju, I certs provides a squeezer! (6)
- 10 Protection from colonial elements, for 'head and toe' exercising in (5)
- 11 Element of 10-across, oddly deployed for snagging wattles? (9)
- 12 Disruption of dispersed police department lost lives (7)
- 13 Foodie smashing pie and pickle? (7)
- 14 Quashed sound idea without even a scope. Sad! (5)
- 16 Settles Spooner when he cries, 'Cut ya heads off!' (9)
- 18 Pigeonholes 'kind' Mistofelees' finale in *Cats* (9)
- 22 Drop argument, a little bit (5)
- 23 Make lame excuse for clipper (7)
- 24 She removes feathers, combining boldness with hesitation! (7)
- 26 Another 24-across might do this up late, any parties... (4,1,4)
- 27 ...with yours truly next to applaud even one feather (5)
- 28 Fuel that's limited; i.e., seldom stocked (6)
- 29 Blanchett's roundabout mother (6)

DOWN

- 1 Arrest, when as abandoning restraint, is wrong (9)
- 2 Suckers one off the 15th (5)
- 3 Tipped to finish Epsom debut with first in Derby (7)
- 5 How to get better or how to go down? 50/50! (7)
- 6 Harmer in one in four broadcasts (9)



- 7 Concerning measure of elasticity in Indian capital (5)
- 8 Behaves badly when 'Subject To Council Approval' briefly returns (4,2)
- 9 'Why, why, why?' said, 'Get with it!' (4,2)
- 15 Copy is in bizarre dialect (9)
- 17 No victory deserves to be overturned or set aside (9)
- 19 Cold initial clean takes barely a sponge, for one (7)
- 20 Saw I went, then went faster (4,2)
- 21 Agents back fare type (6)
- 22 Agents back captain in sabotage (7)
- 23 He made love and cried, oddly (5)
- 25 Eminent drummer, once backing Mark M'togo (5)

STRAIGHT CLUES

ACROSS

- 1 An element, symbol In (6)
- 4 Fruit squeezer (6)
- 10 Colonial head protection (5)
- 11 Part of a 10-across (typically oddly placed up, instead of down for its purpose!) (9)
- 12 Lives in or at (7)
- 13 Foodie, gourmand (7)
- 14 Quashed, reversed (5)
- 16 Settles, puts people or data into (9)
- 18 Pigeonholes (v) (9)
- 22 Drop; also, an argument; also, a little bit (5)
- 23 Make lame (7)
- 24 Feather remover (7)
- 26 Make music, as another sort of 24-across might (4,1,4)
- 27 A feather, or a feather-like emission (5)
- 28 A fossil fuel (6)
- 29 Mother, bring into existence (6)

DOWN

- 1 Arrest, or impose into something under way (9)
- 2 Suckers, fools (5)
- 3 Tipped, turned over (7)
- 5 How to get more capable or qualified (7)
- 6 Harmer, damager (9)
- 7 Indian currency or capital (5)
- 8 Behaves badly (4,2)
- 9 Get with it! (coll.) (4,2)
- 15 Copy, spare (9)
- 17 Set aside, replace (9)
- 19 A little sponge for one (7)
- 20 Went faster (4,2)
- 21 Type of meal or fare (6)
- 22 Sabotage, undermine (7)
- 23 Little mythical creator of love (5)
- 25 Eminent drummer, once (5)

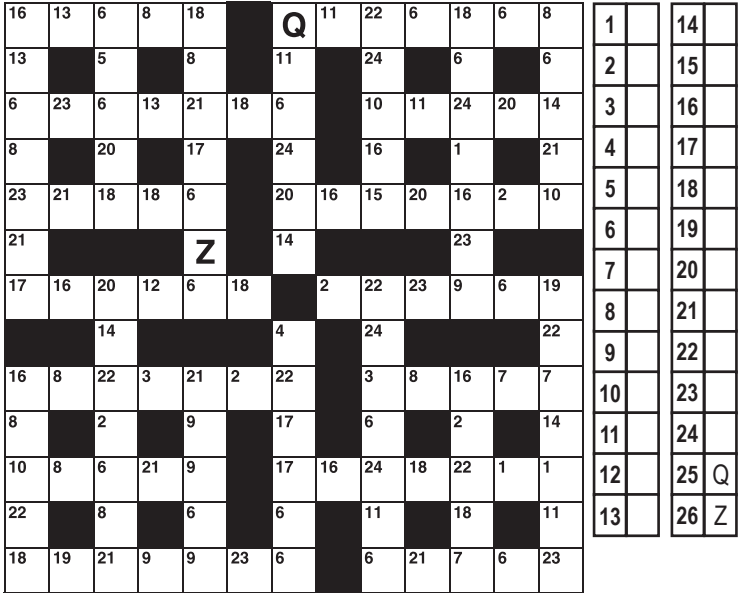
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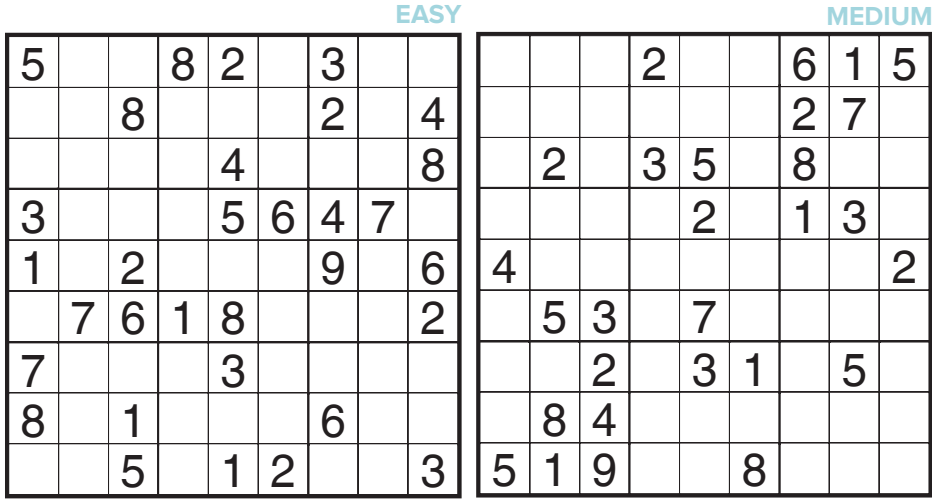
Each number corresponds to a letter of the alphabet. Two have been filled in for you, can you work out the rest?



SUDOKU

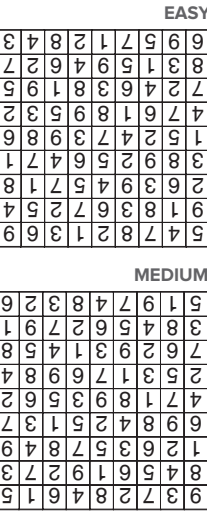
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To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in: each of the nine vertical columns, each of the nine horizontal rows and each of the nine 3 x 3 boxes. Remember, no number can occur more than once in any row, column or box.



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SOLUTIONS



QUICK QUIZ

1. Colloquially, what is a cakewalk?
2. Where is the Bredikhin crater located?
3. For which three films has Daniel Day-Lewis won an Academy Award for Best Actor?
4. In which city was Australian cricketer Usman Khawaja born?
5. To which continent is the kangaroo rat native?
6. During which year was Twitter created and launched?
7. Maleficent is the main antagonist in which animated Disney film?
8. Which motor company makes the vehicle X-Trail?
9. Matt Damon (pictured) stars as a former criminal named Max in which 2013 sci-fi action film?
10. What is a female moose called?



WORD SEARCH

No. 144

Can you find all the words listed? The leftover letters will spell out a secret message.



- ACADEMIC
- ASSEMBLY
- ATTIRE
- AWARDS
- BALLPOINT
- BAND
- BIKES
- CLASS
- DESK
- DRAMA
- ENGLISH
- ERASER
- EXCEL
- FAIL
- FEAR
- FLUNK
- FOOD
- GAMES
- GOALS
- GRADES
- GROUP
- HELP
- HISTORY
- LEARN
- LOCKER
- MARKERS
- MATHS
- MESSY
- NOVEL
- NURSE
- PAPER
- PENCIL
- PLAN
- QUIZ
- READ
- ROLL
- SCIENCE
- SNACK
- SUBJECTS
- SUPPLIES
- TEST
- TOPIC

ANSWERS: 1. Something easy to achieve 2. The moon 3. My Left Foot, There Will Be Blood and Lincoln 4. Islamabad, Pakistan 5. North America 6. 2006 7. Sleeping Beauty 8. Nissan 9. Elysium 10. Cow

SECRET MESSAGE: Don't forget your packed lunch



Marja Olsen and Kaz Pedretti enjoy a return to the 1980s at Meeniyan Town Hall on Saturday night, with Kaz taking on the look of Dolly Parton. A26_2724



Rhys and Sheree Livingstone of Meeniyan are dressed for the 'Back to the 80s' night at their local Town Hall on Saturday night. A27_2724



Bass Coast Shire Mayor Clare Le Serve, Wonthaggi fire Brigade Captain Arnaud Marion, and Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale MP at Saturday's annual dinner. C01_2724



Wonthaggi Fire Brigade's Judi and Garry Wilson took a moment to pose for the camera during Saturday's proceedings.



Wonthaggi Firefighters Ian Stevenson, Ismet Hasanoglu, and Nathan Stebbing enjoyed a night celebrating Ismet's five years of service.



Wonthaggi Fire Brigade's Billy Barber and Michelle Koralewski enjoyed the night's festivities at The Clubhouse.



Ally Farr, Paige Riley and Kira Mascaros at Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal on Thursday night.



Year 12 students Mataya Maloney, Cara Moschetti and Lilly Wookey at the Bass Coast College formal at Silverwater Resort.



Carly Brooks-Lacco, Lauren Ward and Ash Langham rugged up to support the Bass Coast Breakers on Saturday night.

Snapped Out

Pictures of you and your friends at Back to the 80s night in Meeniyan, Wonthaggi Fire Brigade Annual Awards Nights, Bass Coast College Year 12 Formal and Bass Coast Breakers Pride Round.



Kay, Chelsea, Bec, Blueberry and Bruce backed the Breakers during the Pride Cup on Saturday night.



Wonthaggi Fire Brigade 2024 Fire Fighter of the Year Tad Hendry.



Alannah Tonello, Lucy Dean and Louisa Poll attended Bass Coast College's Year 12 formal at Silverwater Resort.



Bass Coast College's Year 12 students Jaxon Foon, Beau Ransom and Caden Dealwis at the formal on Thursday night.



Jason Smith, Linda Angarane and Daisy Billows were at the Dalyston Recreation Reserve to watch the Bass Coast Breakers.



Ella Haines and Sarah Wells showed their support for the Bass Coast Breakers at the Dalyston Recreation Reserve.



Bass MLA Jordan Crugnale and Geoff Ellis donned the Bass Coast Breakers gear in support of Pride Round on Saturday night.



Rural living feel in town – two acres with large shed

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Quality home with views

WITH uninterrupted, north facing views over the surrounding farmland, you will find this spacious five-bedroom family home. Perfectly positioned on a neat three quarters of an acre (approx.), which was once part of the former Mackey State School site which opened in 1913 and closed like so many small schools, in 1958. With the school closed and classrooms relocated, the land was sold off and here we are today with this well-crafted family home.

Built in 2006 by the renowned local builders Considine & Johnston, you can be assured all the quality foundations are in place with this family home.

The spacious sized home is well suited to families, even dual occupancy or perfect if you work from home, with plenty of space and lovely rural views. The home features:

- Open plan living with kitchen, dining, and living
- Sliding doors opening out to the verandah, garden and farmland views.
- Electric oven, hot plate, dishwasher, and plenty of bench space and storage.
- A Nectre combustion wood fire in addition to a reverse cycle air conditioner.
- Double-glazed windows throughout.
- Two additional rooms provide a sitting/lounge and home study/office all with storage.
- Five bedrooms all with built-in robes with the master having a walk-through robe to a dual access ensuite.
- Family bathroom with separate bath, shower, and toilet.
- The laundry once again provides great storage, bench space and easy access inside from the double garage shed.

Externally:

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Unrivalled 482 acres

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The ranch-style four-bedroom home is ideal for comfortable family living, with built-in robes, an ensuite, and open plan living areas. Additionally, a second two-bedroom home with two garages provides ample space for extended family or guests.

Conveniently located just minutes from Wonthaggi, and Inverloch, this property offers easy access to shops, schools, and stunning coastal attractions. Plus, with a 90-minute drive to Melbourne, you can enjoy the peacefulness of rural living while still being connected to the city.

With its two kilometre frontage to Cape Paterson Road, this property presents a rare opportunity for various developments, subject to Council and State Government Planning Approval. Whether you envision a links-style golf course and accommodation, a large-scale caravan park and accommodation complex, or an equine training centre, the possibilities are endless.



636

482 acres

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Contemporary lakeside living

SET on Seagrove Way opposite parklands and the Seagrove Lake, this modern home will suit those looking for value and space.

The rendered brick veneer home is spacious and light filled. Features include a modern kitchen and a huge family room space with wood fire and polished hardwood floors that lead onto a covered outdoor entertaining area and fully landscaped yard.

There is second living area ideal for a quiet space for the parents or a space for the kids and visiting family. There are four big bedrooms with built-in robes and the master bedroom has a walk-in robe and stylish ensuite.

There is secure entry from a double garage into the home.

The home is being auctioned on July 6th at 2pm onsite.

Inspection only by appointment.

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422

778m²

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- Heifers/Vealers
- Cows/Bulls

THURSDAY WEEKLY
STORE CATTLE SALE

9.00am - Commencing Thursday July 11

- Steers • Heifers
- Cows & Calves
- Joined Cows/Heifers
- Bulls

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Dr. Brendan Casey educates and guides Village High School students Sofia, Avalon, Zaffy, Holly and India (absent Corey), who are undertaking work experience to assist the Swamp Skink survive in a more natural habitat.

Students assist Swamp Skink survival

ENVIRONMENTALLY conscious students from Village High School have been clearing areas of weeds in Inverloch to assist the native flora and fauna to thrive, and in particular to help protect the threatened Swamp Skink.

As part of their VCE/VM work-related skills class, a few of the year eleven students were keen to undertake work where they could contribute directly to the local ecology and environment.

Village High School teacher running the project, Therese Carlisle said, "They definitely all have this wonderful kind of moral compass and also an affinity for the environment."

The students have undertaken three working sessions alongside the Gippsland Conservation Society, which organised one of their members, Dr Brendan Casey, to educate and guide the students.

In October last year, Dr Casey identified a new native species in Inverloch – the Swamp Skink, *Lissolepis coventryi*.

Since that time, he has been advocating for the skink to be better protected, as it is becoming threatened due to urban development and weeds overtaking its natural habitat.

"(Dr Casey) was a wonderful source of knowledge," said Ms Carlisle.

"He was amazing in terms of sharing lots of that knowledge with the students and giving them a real sense of purpose as well."

Over the sessions, the students could see the difference they made in removing weeds and allowing the native grasses the opportunity to grow.

"They had three days (on site), and they all worked really, really hard in that time and filled up huge green bags of weeds each time," said Ms Carlisle.

Ms Carlisle commented that it also gave the students purpose and a meaningful experience without expecting anything in return, as they talked about the importance of protecting the fragile ecosystems and biodiversity of the area.

"The work done by the students under Therese's supervision is the single most important action to have ever taken place to try to support the swamp skinks of Inverloch," said Dr Casey.

"The importance of the weed removal by hand in the swamp skink habitat is, in my opinion, likely to give them a chance to persist a bit longer. The students from Village HS are the first and only people in our community to have done something to help. Please let me express my thanks to them again for their brilliant work."

Olsen's walk being rehabilitated with large donation of plants

THE FRIENDS of Korumburra Botanic Park have been busy weeding and planting along Olsen's Walk after receiving a donation of 1300 plants.

Korumburra Landcare donated 1000 plants, a significant contribution due to Korumburra's unique position of having multiple catchment streams that feed into the Tarwin, Powlett, and Bass rivers.

This has been a catalyst for several Landcare groups in the area to foster reciprocal support for plantings and other working bees, such as the recent and first of many, South Gippsland Rail Trail plantings.

While the Friends of Korumburra Botanic Park have previously also been recipients of council grants to go towards plants, they weren't this year, so group members also generously financed another 300 plants.

"We've already had work parties which involved weeding and planting, which has put 650 plants in the ground," explained president/secretary, Ben Ellis.

"We've been trying to attack the weeds in the park – there's a lot of them."

Most of the donated plants are midstory, and on advice from experts in the field, the group will plant these out to rehabilitate the area and minimise future maintenance.

"The idea is for them to grow, and eventually the weeds underneath them will slow down, because they get much less light and sun, and then we will tackle those," explained Ben.

Ben commented the planting will take a few more weeks to be completed due to the conditions and other areas that require spraying.

"One of the problems we've got at the moment is we haven't had much rain, and that does make it difficult to plant because the ground is damp and it's not wet like it usually gets."

"There are some plants that it doesn't really matter, but for others, it does matter. So, we have to be a bit selective where we put things and also when we do it."

Friends of Korumburra Botanic Park are also creating a new bush area near the rotunda, which is on a slope and has been difficult to mow around.

The group plans to create an ornamental display of trees and shrubs not normally found on Olsen's Walk, but that are native to other parts of Gippsland.

The South Gippsland Shire Council have donated sticks and covers to protect some of the more delicate plants.

Friends of Korumburra Botanic Park have also applied for Landcare funding in the next financial year to rehabilitate a section of Coalition Creek frontage.

The group welcomes anyone who would like to help out. There are a range of tasks from light to a bit heavier, and are happy for volunteers to come by even if it's only for one hour.

For more information visit: Friends of Korumburra Botanic Park on Facebook or email: friends.burra.botanic@gmail.com.

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VLE staff at the Leongatha saleyards, George and Kelley, had a busy day last Friday, clearing 3000 store cattle through their facility but the sale process was done and dusted by 12.30pm.

Leongatha shifting to Thursday for stores

AGENTS yarded another good offering of store cattle in a reduced yarding of 3000 head on the final Friday of the financial year at VLE's Leongatha saleyards.

Agents were in and out between 9am and 12.30pm indicating there's further capacity there to absorb numbers from West Gippsland that come Leongatha's way following the closure of Pakenham last week.

A good field of feedlot and processor buyers attended along with

graziers keen to make purchases as pasture growth and feed conditions in the local district continue to be excellent.

The market remained strong in a dearer market for the heavy and feedlot weighted and weaner steers with several pens making well over \$4 per kg. Good Angus heifers improved in price for the heavier end with the best end making \$3.30 to \$3.80 for some excellent types.

Both lighter weighted steers and heifers and

secondary types all improved in price by 10-20 cents and odd sales more.

Crossbreds and dairy types of both steers and heifers sold from "firm" to a "little dearer" than previous sales. Cows and calves continue to sell to around their splitting values.

PLEASE NOTE: The new sale days for the store sales will be weekly on Thursdays commencing from Thursday, July 11. With no sale on Thursday, July 4.

International dairy prices under pressure

THE latest Global Dairy Trade auction decreased 0.5 per cent to USD 3893 on June 18, according to the latest figures from RaboResearch Food and Agribusiness. The preliminary EU average farmgate milk price increased 0.3 per cent MOM in May to EUR 46.22/100kg and the US consumer price index for dairy and related products decreased one per cent YOY in May.

The recent decline in the Global Dairy Trade (GDT) price index follows five consecutive auction-to-auction increases and results in a fall from the highest price the index had reached since early October 2022.

Despite the declining index, butter saw the largest price increase, rising 6.2 per cent setting an all-time record high of USD 7350.

Lactose distantly followed

butter, increasing only 1.9 per cent to USD 801. Skim milk powder grew 0.7 per cent to USD 2766, while whole milk powder declined 2.5 per cent to USD 3394.

Cheddar is now at USD 4205 after falling one per cent. Anhydrous milk fat prices suffered as well, decreasing 1.2 per cent to USD 7317.

The USDA reported a 0.9 per cent decline in May US milk production vs. the year prior, marking the eleventh consecutive month of weaker year-on-year output.

Initially reported to have fallen 0.4 per cent, April volumes have been revised to a 0.6 per cent YOY decline.

Fewer cows and diminishing yields vs. the year prior remain the key drivers.

Despite increasing 5000 head to 9.35m, the US

herd was still down 68,000 head in May compared to one year ago.

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The US consumer price index (CPI) for dairy and related products decreased one per cent YOY in May, marking the ninth consecutive month of dairy deflation in the US.

The final estimate for New Zealand milk production for the 2023/24 season displayed a decrease of 1.1 per cent (on a tonnage basis) in milk supplies on a leap year-adjusted basis.

This marks the third consecutive year in which milk production has declined.

Additionally, milk solids production grew by just 0.2 per cent on a leap year-adjusted basis.

Wellington Shire moves cattle sale days

DUE to changes in sale dates at the Victorian Livestock Exchange in Leongatha and the closure of the Pakenham Victorian Livestock Exchange, the Wellington Shire Council has advised immediate changes to sale days at the Gippsland Regional Livestock Exchange (GRLE) in Sale.

The main sale of the week, the Prime Cattle

Sale will be held on Wednesday, starting July 3 with sheep sales and store sale dates also adjusted.

New sale dates are as follows:

- Prime cattle sale will move to a Wednesday – effective Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 11.30am and will continue weekly
- Sheep sales will move to a Monday – effective

Monday, June 24, 2024 at 12.30pm and will continue fortnightly

- Cattle store sales will move back to the first Friday of the month – effective Friday, July 5, 2024 at 9am

For more information, please contact the Gippsland Regional Livestock Exchange (GRLE) team on 03 5144 4355 or visit grle.com.au.

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Grown Steers

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Kilbar Beef 10 H/Ford	540kg	\$3.55	\$1920
P & A Scott 10 Ang	538kg	\$3.51	\$1890
J Carney 24 Ang	536kg	\$3.73	\$2000
T Waite 18 Ang Strs	522kg	\$3.63	\$1900
O'loughlin Farms 15 Ang	516kg	\$3.99	\$2060
Minaminkah 12 BB	514kg	\$3.61	\$1860
DA & RD Scott 10 Spek PK	513kg	\$3.29	\$1690
Minaminkah 19 Ang	493kg	\$4.13	\$2040
Yeerung Past 17 Ang	479kg	\$4.13	\$1980
Rosebank 15 Ang	476kg	\$4.01	\$1910
D & P Whiteley 11 Ang	447kg	\$3.91	\$1750
Manesuco Investments 13 Ang	446kg	\$3.78	\$1690
W Bullock 25 Ang	433kg	\$4.27	\$1850
Eden & Maund 19 Ang	425kg	\$4.00	\$1700
Balbo & Tan	423kg	\$4.13	\$1750
Seaton View Park 14 Angx	407kg	\$3.22	\$1310
D & P Whiteley 13 Ang	405kg	\$3.90	\$1580
D & P Whiteley 16 Ang	387kg	\$3.95	\$1530
Rosebank 14 Ang	382kg	\$3.69	\$1410

Weaner Steers

Van Dijk & Young 17 Ang & BB	396kg	\$3.88	\$1540
J & P Fleming 16 Ang	364kg	\$3.81	\$1390
Lawson-McCulloch 11 Ang & BB	357kg	\$3.44	\$1230
Lawson-McCulloch 21 Ang & BB	350kg	\$3.94	\$1380
J & S Chown 13 Ang	343kg	\$3.03	\$1040
Medowra Past 21 Ang	340kg	\$3.55	\$1210
Medowra Past 22 Ang	321kg	\$3.42	\$1100
J & L Fiddelaers 15 Ang	320kg	\$3.78	\$1210
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C Farr 17 Ang	297kg	\$3.77	\$1120
Medowra Past 24 Ang	294kg	\$3.74	\$1100
C & S Corrigan 19 Ang	285kg	\$4.21	\$1200
Medowra Past 13 BB	285kg	\$3.47	\$990
Medowra Past 24 Ang	282kg	\$3.47	\$980
Cummins & Little 20 Ang	268kg	\$4.36	\$1170
Medowra Past 23 Ang	262kg	\$3.35	\$880
C Farr 16 Ang	247kg	\$4.41	\$1090
Medowra Past 22 Ang	225kg	\$3.60	\$810

Heifers

Md Currie 15 Ang	468kg	\$3.20	\$1500
Da & Rd Scott 13 Spek PK	462kg	\$2.98	\$1380
Woodbrook 15 Ang	458kg	\$3.27	\$1500
A & S Browne 12 Ang	447kg	\$3.22	\$1440
Woodbrook 15 Ang	440kg	\$3.40	\$1500
Woodbrook 15 Ang	432kg	\$3.47	\$1500
Woodbrook 15 Ang	423kg	\$3.54	\$1500
Woodbrook 15 Ang	394kg	\$3.80	\$1500
Malanda Past 20 Ang	394kg	\$3.42	\$1350
R & K Murray 10 Ang/ BB	390kg	\$3.02	\$1180
Balbo & Tan 19 Ang	384kg	\$3.30	\$1270
B & T McCormack 19 Ang	383kg	\$3.26	\$1250
B & T McCormack 15 Ang	374kg	\$2.94	\$1100
B & T McCormack 18 Ang	358kg	\$3.21	\$1150
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Monday, June 24, 2024

Jersey & Jersey x	\$14 to \$40
Friesian Bulls	\$26 to \$66
Friesian Heifers	\$30 to \$40
Beef Bulls	\$40 to \$90
Beef Heifers	\$30 to \$55

Number of Calves: **163**

Number purchased to rear: **10**

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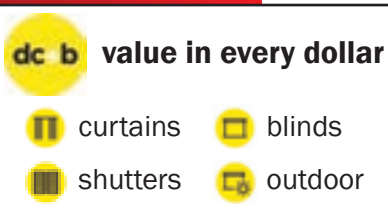
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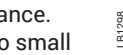
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We are located at 192 Thompson Avenue, Cowes, Phillip Island a short stroll into town for the local beach and shops.

Set amongst beautiful landscaped grounds. Banfields Aged care is a 90-bed residential care facility which provides an extensive range of services.

As a PCA, your responsibilities will be to provide nursing care as directed by a Registered Nurse.

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JAZ2340



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We are seeking motivated and dedicated Registered Nurses and Endorsed Enrolled Nurses to be part of our team.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ACCESS & USAGE CHARGES

1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025

Westernport Water adopted by resolution of its Board, the following charges for the period 1 July 2024– 30 June 2025. This is in accordance with the *Water Act 1989* and the pricing decision handed down by the Essential Services Commission.

Water usage charge (per kL)	\$
Residential	2.4554
Non-Residential	2.4554
Standpipe Variable Charge	3.9792

Water fixed charge p.a.	\$
Residential access charge	445.04
Vacant land - connected	445.04
Unconnected vacant land	222.49
Non-Residential (price varies depending on size of service)	

Wastewater fixed charge p.a	\$
Residential sewer access	704.56
Unconnected vacant land	352.88
Non-residential sewer access	704.56
Non-residential – cistern charge (for each cistern in excess of two)	260.20

Recycled Water (Class A)	\$
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Recycled Water usage (per kL)	1.3266

Pension/Health Care Rebate p.a.	\$
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PUBLIC NOTICES

SOUTH GIPPSLAND WATER

NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS
ANNUAL TARIFFS 2024 – 2025

South Gippsland Water would like to advise customers of new tariffs

WATER SERVICE CHARGE: All serviced areas

	1/07/23 – 30/6/24		1/07/24 – 30/6/25	
	Annual Tariff	Tariff Per Account	Annual Tariff	Tariff Per Account
General Tariff	\$382.13	\$127.37	\$405.84	\$135.28
Vacant Land	\$382.13	\$127.37	\$405.84	\$135.28
Agreements	\$343.95	\$114.65	\$365.31	\$121.77
Concessional	\$306.52	\$102.17	\$325.53	\$108.51

WATER VOLUMETRIC CHARGE: All areas

\$2.3942 cents per kilolitre (1,000 litres) 1/07/23 – 30/6/24
\$2.3817 cents per kilolitre (1,000 litres) 1/07/24 – 30/6/25

WASTE WATER SERVICE CHARGE: All serviced areas

	1/07/23 – 30/6/24		1/07/24 – 30/6/25	
	Annual Tariff	Tariff Per Account	Annual Tariff	Tariff Per Account
General Tariff	\$593.05	\$197.68	\$629.88	\$209.96
Vacant Land	\$335.54	\$111.85	\$356.37	\$118.79

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The UpBeats take people’s minds off the outside chill and transport them to the 1980s, with David Panther, Brett Barons, Kathy Westaway and Bob Hickman having a ball performing. A24_2724

Blast from the past with the UpBeats

PEOPLE were taken back to a past but well-remembered era of music as the ‘Back to the 80s’ night hit Meenian Town Hall, the large audience revelling in the performance of the UpBeats on Saturday night.

The miserable weather outside was quickly forgotten as people took to the dance floor at the Leongatha Rotary event.

As the band performed the ‘Love Shack’, made famous by the B-52’s, this scribe fondly reminisced about hearing the song while seeing out the end of the 1980s at the Fairstar’s moonlight disco.

‘Video Killed the Radio Star’, ‘Friday I’m in Love’ and ‘Turning Japanese’ were among the array of songs performed.

The UpBeats consists of David Panther (singing and guitar), Bob Hickman (band leader, drums and backup vocals), Brett Barons (Bass/lead guitar) and Kathy Westaway (singing and keyboard).

Many of those present dressed for the occasion, sporting 80s looks, including members of a large group celebrating a fortieth birthday, with bright colours a popular choice.

There were prizes for the best dressed male and female and music trivia.

People had so much fun they stuck around despite technical issues with the sound system that curtailed the performance for some time, with the band members maintaining their vi-

brant spirit and pressing on expertly as soon as possible.

“Sometimes you bite off more than you can chew and you just have to chew harder,” David said of how the band responded to the unexpected challenge.

“Everyone had a good time and once we got going again there were lots of people dancing,” he noted, saying the trivia and fashion parade added to the fun.

“We appreciate the audience, and raised a bit of money for charity, so all round it’s a good feeling to be involved in it,” David said.

Ticket sales brought in around \$3500 after expenses that will go to a project to build a shelter on the Great Southern Rail Trail in Koonwarra and towards images of local fossils that will be displayed in the shelter.

Approximately \$700 was raised through the evening’s raffle and will benefit those assisted by the Meenian Community Cupboard.

The raffle prizes were donated, with Leongatha Lyric Theatre, Panthers Menswear, and Saputo providing support.

Incoming president of Leongatha Rotary Club, Jol Dutton, expressed his appreciation of the considerable effort put in by the band, particularly the organisational endeavours of Bob and David.

The UpBeats are happy to make themselves available for other community groups wanting to run similar fundraising gigs.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Water Act 1989

NOTICE OF MAKING OF THE BY-LAW NO 4 WATERWAYS PROTECTION 2024
WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

By resolution of 24 JUNE 2024 the WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY under sections 160, 219 and 287ZC of the **Water Act 1989** made By-Law NO 4 WATERWAYS PROTECTION 2024.

- The purpose of the by-law is to make provisions for –
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 - b) the protection and care of designated waterways and designated land or works; and
 - c) the conservation and preservation of flora, fauna and habitat in designated waterways and designated land or works.

The by-law is made using the Waterways Protection Model By-law made by the Minister for Water under section 287ZB of the **Water Act 1989** on 6 March 2024.

A copy of the by-law is available on the WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY website, <https://wgcm.vic.gov.au/who-we-are/publications/>. A copy is also available for inspection during the ordinary business hours of the Authority, free of charge, at the WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY offices at 16 HOTHAM STREET TRARALGON VICTORIA 3844.

A copy of the by-law is able to be purchased, on demand, at the offices of the Authority during ordinary business hours.

WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
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The 2024 Block Cast, Jesse and Paige, Courtney and Grant, Ricky and Haydn, Kylie and Brad, Kristian and Mimi.

Island Paradise: The Block goes coastal

WE’VE eagerly followed the contestants, crew, and hosts as they’ve dined, shopped, and raced across the island, tackling challenges over the past few months. Now, the grand finale is almost here!

Get ready to celebrate two decades of design, drama, and dazzling renovations when The Block returns for an incredible 20th season in 2024 on the television screens.

In the new season of The Block, five couples from around Australia make the move to Phillip Island to build a new home that could change their lives forever come auction day.

Watch as the Blockheads renovate five luxury family holiday homes – once again designed by longtime Block architect Julian Brenchley – from an abandoned resort just a few minutes’ drive from the town of Cowes.

Host Scott Cam is back for an incredible 18th season and will be joined by trusty co-host Shelley Craft for her 17th season on the show.

“When I drove into the site for the first time I knew it was going to be a big job for our contestants,” Scott said.

“The houses are enormous and when you walk around the site, there are surprises at every turn, including a tennis court and a swimming pool.”

This year there are some big changes on the show. Keith Schleiger steps down from his longtime role as Foreman as he was unable to move to Phillip Island full-time, so Dan Reilly will take on the role as sole Foreman.

Veteran judge Neale Whitaker has also handed the baton on, to real estate director Marty Fox. Marty will join Shaynna Blaze and Darren Palmer to judge the spectacular rooms with the brief of creating a perfect holiday home.

But fans don’t have to worry, both Keith and Neale will be making special guest appearances throughout the season.

The Block couples who have been spotted around the island have finally been announced, and it’s time to meet them:

- Carpenter Jesse (29) and claims specialist Paige (27) – engaged couple from WA
- Electrician Kristian (31) and restaurant manager Mimi (28) – newlyweds from SA
- Plumber Ricky (34) and IT worker Haydn (37) – best mates from VIC
- Events account director and furniture designer Courtney (32) and landscape business development manager Grant (29) – married couple from NSW
- Hairdresser and business owner Kylie (37) and electrician and plumber Brad (32) – married parents from QLD

The 20th season of The Block will also be celebrated with a number of fan favourites returning to the show to lend a helping hand for this monster build. Plus, as

this season builds to the auction, a select group of the Allstars will be helping this year’s Blockheads to create something never seen on the Block before.

The returning Allstar Blockheads include: Steph and Gian (2023), Eliza and Liberty (2023), Jimmy and Tam (2020), Alisa and Lysandra (2013, 2014), Ronnie and Georgia (2020, 2021), Michael and Carlene (2014), Kyal and Kara (2014), Tom and Sarah-Jane (2022), Omar and Oz (2022), Dale and Sophie (2012) and Andy and Deb (2019).

The picturesque backdrop of Phillip Island is the perfect location to celebrate the 20th season of the ratings juggernaut created by Julian Cress and David Barbour.

They have plans to celebrate everything Phillip Island has to offer and show it off to Australia and the world.

“Marking season 20, it felt like we really needed to do something special,” Cress said.

“We weren’t going to settle for just any location as it’s a major milestone, and Phillip Island has exceeded all of our expectations.

“Not only is it the natural beauty of the place, but the warm welcome we were given from the local community made it a very special experience for the entire cast, the crew, hosts and judges.”

As well as the incredible holiday houses being built, this season is no exception to Block drama.

“We set out to build five holiday houses, but it certainly wasn’t a holiday for some of our contestants,” Cress said.

“Without giving too much away, the audience is going to be in for some major surprises across this series.”

Coming after the Olympics to Channel 9 and 9Now.

Follow @TheBlock on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Twitter for more.



The Island Cove Villa site before the Block headed in earlier this year.

Great Southern Rail Trail parkrun success in Korumburra

KORUMBURRA'S Great Southern Rail Trail parkrun is off to a flying start, its event director Nicole Creaser chatting recently about the success of the opening couple of official events, the first on June 15.

She said feedback has been positive, with people praising the scenic course and enjoying the camaraderie with others.

The morning sun on the restored Korumburra Railway Station is one of the visual highlights, with Nicole looking forward to the removal of temporary fencing there in future, which will show off that historic precinct at its best.

The official June parkruns followed a couple of trial runs in May to make sure the course was going to work well and everyone knew the jobs that needed to be filled each week.

Nicole said the trials provided peace of mind and eliminated any concerns.

The first official event on Saturday June 15 attracted 131 participants, with some venturing from the western side of Melbourne and others from its south-east, along with people from the Latrobe Valley and locals, with good support from the existing parkrun community.

More locals joined in the following week, with over 80 people taking part.

Nicole explained that to get the Great Southern Rail Trail parkrun up and going, \$7,000 had to be raised to ensure people can participate for free, and to purchase a defibrillator, with Korumburra Rotary Club's donation specifically for the latter.

A number of other community organisations and businesses also joined the groundswell of support to raise startup funds or contribute in other ways, with South Gippsland Shire Council providing the necessary permit to use the Great Southern Rail Trail.

Koringal Women's Service Club, Korumburra Community Development Association, Kelly's Bakery, Jack Gilchrist – Area Specialist, WEF Accounting, and Korumburra Staying Strong all contributed in various ways.

About 10 volunteers make the new parkrun a success each week, with Nicole explaining what drives them to be involved.

"Being able to help our community become more physically active and look after their health but also mental health and wellbeing in the sense that we're connecting with each other and doing something positive for ourselves," she said of the motivational forces at play.

Nicole added that volunteers head into the weekend feeling good that they've contributed to achieving such benefits, noting it is fun being part of the event, with a great group of people.

Despite the parkrun name, there is no obligation to run, with people welcome to walk, and able to bring prams, and dogs on lead, with Nicole stressing it is not a competition.

She spoke of a positive vibe and the fact everyone is friendly and welcoming.

The Great Southern Rail Trail parkrun is one of 491 parkruns around Australia.

Anyone wanting to join the Saturday morning fun is encouraged to arrive by 7.45am for an 8am commencement, with the start of the course on the rail trail behind Kelly's Bakery.



Formula Vee racing has always been a close-knit affair as the cars have similar horsepower outputs. Driver skill makes all the difference. Photo: Peter Cleeland.

Victorian State Circuit Race Series rips Island

By Peter Cleeland

THE Victorian State Circuit Race Championship featured round three at the Phillip Island Auto Racing Circuit on the weekend from June 28 to June 30. The championship is run over six rounds with events at Sandown, Winton, Calder Park and Phillip Island.

For many aspiring drivers, this level of competition provides an excellent platform for skill development and progression into higher classes of racing. While seasoned veterans and motorsport diehards get to experience firsthand the best racing circuits Victoria has to offer.

Round three featured 127 entrants across five classes including Formula Vee, Formula Ford, HQ, HTC and Saloon, Sports Sedans and Improved Production and E30. Saturday's event program consisted of seven races while Sunday's program saw a further 16 races completed.

The teams got down to business in unofficial practice on Friday which provided fine weather and a dry track to get in some quality practice. Hard-charging HQ Holdens, nimble Beamers classic Camaros and the twitchy handling Formula Fords and Formula Vees dropped the hammer to get some competitive practice times in readiness for Saturday's racing program.

The heavens opened on Saturday and the rain set in to provide an extremely wet tack making drivers understandably cautious in qualifying prior to the commencement of the racing program. In the HQ opening eight-lap race, Ryan Woods showed great skill in the wet to record victory from Rod Raatjes and Andrew McLeod.



Desperate measures with no holds barred. Exciting door handle to door handle racing at the Victorian State Circuit Racing Championships. Photo: Peter Cleeland.

The Historic Touring Cars in event two Adrian Moyle had a win in his classic Camaro by less than a second from Brent Trengrove and Geoff Munday who also piloted the beastly Chevy Camaros.

The hotly contested Sport Sedans race was declared a no-race due to conditions while the Improved Production contest was red-flagged.

In race four the Saloon Car category Jacob Prestipino was a runaway 18-second winner as he cleared out from the strong field. With only 0.7 seconds separating Kerran Pridmore and Travis Lindorff who were also in Commodores at the finish line.

The Formula Ford stoush was a well-strung-out affair with Richard Davison in a Van Dieman RF95 open-wheeler taking a 27-second advantage at the chequered flag from Peter Fitzgerald in a Spectrum and Andrew Torti a further 19 seconds back also in a Spectrum.

Formula Vee racing is well known for its competitiveness and close racing and this event was no different. With drivers suffering from rain and spray lifting from the tarmac visibility was not peach but Ashley

Quiddington in the Sabre greeted the chequered flag 0.18 seconds ahead of an unlucky Nicholas Jones in the Jacer 98 with Damian Spinello piloting the Stinger home in third place to complete the dais.

The weather did not improve for Sunday's outing with heavy overnight rain and frequent heavy showers throughout the day. First up the Garagistic BMW Drivers Cup series cars tip-toed out onto a greasy track with great trepidation. Benjamin Munro had a five-second buffer from Ashley Rogers and Martin Taylor who were only two seconds apart as they crossed the finish line.

Rod Raatjes got the better of Andrew McLeod and first-race winner Ryan Woods in the second HQ event as most of the field struggled with the slippery conditions. Adrian Moyle continued his great form to be a runaway 44-second winner from Geoff Munday and Brent Trengrove who were all piloting Chevy Camaros in the Historic Touring Cars in race 2 of the weekend.

The Sports Sedans race two was a David and Goliath affair with Travis Condon's nimble Toyota Corolla KE70 showing

a clean pair of heels to the bigger horsepower units of Ben McLeod (Holden Commodore) and Dean Camm's well-travelled Chev Corvette. Considering Condon's Toyota caught fire on Saturday getting the car back on the track was an achievement in itself.

The second Saloon Car race was a very close affair with the first three drivers separated by 0.8 seconds as they completed a trying seven laps. Kerran Pridmore, Jacob Prestipino and Adam Lowndes turned on a three-way Commodore duel that could have been anyone's race.

The second Formula Ford race saw Richard Davison take his second win of the weekend from Andrew Torti and Peter Fitzgerald.

In torrential rain, the Formula Vee drivers braved the challenging Island track with Ashley Quiddington showing the way with a 0.2-second winner from Nicholas Jones and Rocco Spinelli a further 0.2 seconds back in third.

The Improved Production race two was a three-way Commodore battle with Kaide Lehmann taking the points from James Atkinson and Jinwook Song.

Despite the less-than-pleasant weather conditions the Victorian State Circuit Race Series round three was an extremely well-run event at the Phillip Island circuit. A lot of the credit for the organisation and administration of the event goes to Mr. Geoff Bull who oversees all facets of the meeting.

Future rounds of this event are scheduled for Sandown on August 23-25, Phillip Island on October 4-6 and Calder Park on October 26-27, so get along to these meets and witness some fantastic racing.

TIDE GUIDE

TIDAL PREDICTIONS FROM
PORT PHILLIP HEADS

Approx. Tide Variations: Seal Rocks, Venus Bay, Waratah Bay and Cape Woolamai (Same), Tooradin +2hrs 45, Cowes Pier +50, Stony Point +40

TUESDAY July 2
▼ 12.56am 0.46m
▲ 8.12am 1.52m
▼ 1.07pm 0.87m
▲ 7.39pm 1.53m

WEDNESDAY July 3
▼ 1.51am 0.43m
▲ 9.18am 1.55m
▼ 2.07pm 0.96m
▲ 8.33pm 1.49m

THURSDAY July 4
▼ 2.52am 0.42m
▲ 10.23am 1.59m
▼ 3.16pm 1.01m
▲ 9.35pm 1.45m

FRIDAY July 5
▼ 3.58am 0.40m
▲ 11.26am 1.62m
▼ 4.31pm 1.01m
▲ 10.39pm 1.44m

SATURDAY July 6
▼ 5.01am 0.39m
▲ 12.25pm 1.66m
▼ 5.40pm 0.97m
▲ 11.42pm 1.44m

SUNDAY July 7
▼ 5.59am 0.38m
▲ 1.20pm 1.69m
▼ 6.38pm 0.92m
▲ 7.31pm 0.85m

MONDAY July 8
▲ 12.39am 1.45m
▼ 6.51am 0.38m
▲ 2.09pm 1.70m
▼ 7.31pm 0.85m

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Jordan Crugnale MP, Wonthaggi United Soccer Club president Marion Bals and Bass Coast Councillor Leticia Laing officially opened the new pavilion at Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve.

Lights, camera, action for Wonthaggi's first night match

THE rain wasn't going to dampen the celebrations at the Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve on Saturday evening as the Wonthaggi United Soccer Club officially opened their new Club Pavilion. The project proudly supported by the Bass Coast Shire Council and Victorian State Government has taken over 10 years and countless hours by dedicated volunteers to make this dream a reality. The purpose-built changerooms and storage give the club a sense of belonging in the Wonthaggi sporting community, whilst having access to canteen facilities also provides the club with a much-needed injection of funds. The new lights included in the project allow full use of both pitches for training to further develop players, building stronger teams for now and the future. As we look towards the future, we can only see the club growing in numbers and this new facility will be a fantastic home for our future Soccer champions. After Jordan Crugnale MP, Cr Leticia Laing and club president Marion Bals officially turned the lights on it was action on the pitch, as the Wonthaggi and Lang Lang teams took to the field for the first-ever fixtured night games at the Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve. It was all Lang Lang in the Men's match with the Wonthaggi team going



Local Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale MP and Cr Leticia Laing took a moment ahead of the match to secure a photo with Wonthaggi United players. down 6-1, the game was not without its excitement with Jason Torrens booting a massive free kick high into the goals to put Wonthaggi on the board. The U12b was a close contest with both teams pushing through the winter downpour, Wonthaggi eventually taking the points with a 5-3 victory. The

highlight of the match was the first goals for both Jedda Tagell and Vivienne Hallam in a strong team performance. The Wonthaggi Women, who have been a little inconsistent this season, proved too strong for the Lang Lang ladies taking the points to finish off a great night of soccer.

Gippsland United U18's night game in Oakleigh

LAST Sunday the under 18's Gippsland United team headed to Jack Edwards Reserve for a 5.45pm kick off to play Oakleigh Cannons, with a few players out we called up Zac Anderson and Ryder Colantuono from the under 16's. From the get-go Oakleigh made it clear that they weren't going to be easy to beat, as they were hungrier to win the ball, although we had our chances, we just didn't have that finishing touch to find the back of the net. Twenty-one minutes in the Cannons fired and went one up from a corner

kick that seemed to bobble around in the six-yard box. United had a few corners also but just couldn't capitalise on that finish. After the half time break Gippsland seemed to take it up a notch and had most of the ball with our defence and midfield linking up well, our forwards seemed to be doing it alone and not capitalising on their shots. Under 16's Zac Anderson's fast pace had the Cannons defence on edge and was unlucky not to score three goals, while Ethan and Monday also had their

chances. Leeton Hili played a great game when moved into defence shutting down Oakleigh's striker multiple times, these efforts won him best on ground, whilst Levi Colantuono and Nick Nardone played well in the centre. Captain Abraham Konyi was also solid in defence and moved the ball forward, Oakleigh scored two more times at the 75 and 81-minute mark. United kept on pressing and had a total of 11 shots at goal we just couldn't get the ball in the net. Final score Oakleigh 3 – Gippsland 0.

Gippsland Soccer League

Round 10 Results

SENIOR Mens:
Lang Lang United 6 d Wonthaggi United 1, Drouin Dragons Maroon 3 d Korumburra City 2, Phillip Island Breakers 3 d Inverloch Stars 0
Senior Womens: Wonthaggi United 14 d Lang Lang United 0, Phillip Island Breakers 4 d Inverloch Stars 2, Leongatha Knights 5 d Mirboo North United 0
Mens Reserves: Drouin Dragons Maroon 6 d Korumburra City 0, Phillip Island Breakers 4 d Inverloch Stars 1, Trafalgar Victory 5 d Drouin Dragons Maroon Yellow 0
Under 17 Mixed: Drouin Dragons Maroon Yellow 9 d Drouin Dragons White 3, Drouin Dragons Maroon 8 d Phillip Island Stingrays 2
Under 14 Mixed: Korumburra City 5 d Drouin Dragons Maroon 3, Phillip Island Penguins 5 d Inverloch Stars 2, Leongatha Knights 3 d Mirboo North United 0
Under 13 Girls: Korumburra City 7 d Drouin Dragons Maroon 1, Wonthaggi United 3 d Leongatha Knights 0, Under 12a Mixed: Drouin Dragons Maroon 7 d Korumburra City 3, Phillip Island Stingrays 6 d Trafalgar Victory 0
Under 12b Mixed: Wonthaggi United 5 d Lang Lang United 3, Mirboo North United 9 d Leongatha Knights 3, Inverloch Stars 6 d Phillip Island Sharks 3, Drouin Dragons Yellow 3 d Korumburra City 0
No MiniRoos, Junior or Senior matches are being played in the Gippsland Soccer League season this weekend. Round 11 is on Sunday, July 14.

United draw at home

By Solomon Nash

AFTER three consecutive away games in a row, Gippsland United's senior men returned home to Baxter Park in match week thirteen of their State League 1 season. United were held at home to a sixth draw of the season. Mazenod FC were United's opponents on the day, a team who they were defeated by in the first half of the season, losing by a single goal to nil, in match week two. Following a first half that ended 0-0, Mazenod opened the scoring not long after the second period of play had commenced. The away side put away a loose ball from an attacking corner after United failed to clear their lines. This go-ahead goal for Mazenod begged the question as to whether they could hold on again to a one goal lead, just as they did in the week two match. It put the onus on United as well to push for an equaliser with their home support right behind them. That equaliser finally came through the ever-reliable source of Rory Wagner.

Gippsland's striker scored his sixth of the campaign, converting a powerful header, direct from a Jobie Heusmann corner kick. The momentum was with United and it was clear to see that the players desperately wanted to find a winning goal. Cooper Coleman came the closest for United towards the end of the game, as his side footed effort hit the left post. The United forward did tremendously well to beat all the defenders with his shot, however the left post came to Mazenod's rescue as the ball rattled the upright and was eventually cleared to safety. But it unfortunately wasn't to be again for United on the day as they failed to find a second goal. Another draw that probably felt like a loss for United, who are now without a win in five matches. Whilst they added a point to their tally, United slipped down the table into eleventh. The fixtures don't come any easier for United's senior men in match week fourteen, as they travel away to face Banyule City Soccer Club who sit second, only having lost twice all season.



Nick Arnold (S), Amanda Bozelle (L) and Wayne Stevens (3) were the South West Gippsland Midweek Bowls Group winners.



Wonthaggi Senior Indoor Bowls' Friday winners were Jan Milkins, Maggie Scapin, Bill Featherston and Jean Wylde.



Runners up for the South West Gippsland Midweek Bowls Group were David Hanlon (S), Robyn Dall (3) and Phil Wright (L).



Winners of the Thursday Social Bowls at Inverloch on Thursday, June 27, were, from left, Judy Parker (lead), Jack Miller (third) and Peter Shaw (skip).



South West Gippsland Midweek Bowls Group's best one game winners were Max Williams (2), Elaine Williams (L), Mark Hanrahan (S) and Michael Saunders (3).



Wonthaggi Bowls Club's Wednesday winners were Rob Westbrook, Frank Seaton and Ken Gage.

INVERLOCH

INVERLOCH and visiting bowlers to the club will no doubt notice, due to its bright orange colours, the windsock, that has been installed, midway along the northern boundary.

This feature will provide a quick reference to bowlers as to their line selection when on the mat and the wind is up and running.

Both Terry's, Orford and Seaward, are to be congratulated on the effort required to instal the windsock – well done, guys.

At social bowls on Thursday, June 27, with the wind steadily increasing as the afternoon wore on, the windsock was consulted on numerous times by most bowlers.

Twelve 'triples' teams contested two games of 10 ends each with the scoring based of games won, ends won and shots up if required to determine winners on the day.

Despite the increasing wind through play, there were three two-game winners.

The 'hard luck' story went to the team of Daryl McStravick (skip), Rob Howard (third) and Jeff Curwood (lead) who scored 31 points from wins of 9/7 and 7/6.

Shots up were then required to determine the ultimate winner of the day.

The runners up, scoring 34 points and six shots up from wins of 8/7 and 11/6 were Nick

van Grunsven (skip), David Turnbull (third) and Karen Orford (lead).

The winners on the day, also with 34 points but with 16 shots up from wins of 10/4 and 14/4, were Peter Shaw (skip), Jack Miller (third) and Judy Parker (lead).

Last Friday, June 28, the club hosted its membership draw evening where \$220 up for grabs by some lucky Inverloch Bowling Club member.

Drawn randomly and electronically, membership number 57 was selected, belonging to Claire Dowling.

Unfortunately, Claire was not in the clubhouse at the time of the draw which means that the jackpot will now be \$240 next time around, July 12.

Ron Burge opted for the road-kill (chicken) in lieu of the wine, the major lucky envelope winners were Ron Burge and Pam Thomason while the winner of the Leongatha RSL dinner voucher was won by Huie Nation.

Congratulations to all the winners, see you all at the next round.

Next Friday evening, July 5, the club will be holding the fortnightly dinner with Jim promising something very special for the evening meal, so if you haven't already done so, get your names down on the board to secure your seat at the table.

MIDWEEK

WHAT a day.

Forty-four of the family of bowlers turned up at San Remo to fight it out for team of the week.

Though it was very cold as they went out to the green to start the day, it wasn't too long till the sun came out and made the day easy to take.

A reasonable breeze was blowing which made for some fun moments throughout the day, but it generally did not interfere with the quality of the games.

The group would like to thank Pauline and John as well as Peter and Luke for arranging everyone for the days play.

A big thank you to Bev and Vern for the kebabs – they were a great surprise and very, very good.

Also thank you to Mark and Michael behind the bar as well as Gwen, Claire, Bob and everyone else who helped in the kitchen.

This week winners on 37 points were Nick Arnold (S), Amanda Bozelle (L) and Wayne Stevens (3).

Runners up on a score of 34 were David Hanlon (S), Robyn Dall (3) and Phil Wright (L).

Best one game this week on 20 points were Max Williams (2), Elaine Williams (L), Mark Hanrahan (S) and Michael Saunders (3)

Next week, the bowlers will be

meeting up for the inaugural day at Loch Bowls Club.

The group looks forward to including such a great club in the competition and hopes it can add new bowlers from Loch into the weekly family.

So, if everyone could show up by 10am so the group can get the teams ready and look professional at the new venue.

Till then, the group wishes all bowlers a safe week.

WONTHAGGI

WEDNESDAY turned out to be good day for bowls with the weather being fine, but cool.

Twenty-eight bowlers grace the greens, with a number of visitors which is always good.

Teams of three and four were the order of the day over two games of 10 ends.

There were two teams that were two game winners, with the winners being Rob Westbrook, Frank Seaton and Ken Gage with a score of two wins and 33 points.

The runners up were Lyn Tagell, Peter Morgan, Michael Raman and Ray Hin with a score of two wins and 31 points.

Saturday was a washout with wind and rain being the order of the day.

Bowls this week: Wednesday social bowls at 12.30pm and Saturday social bowls at 12.30pm.

Friday night is going well with good numbers for a catch up and a chat.

The members draw this week stood at \$240.

The meat trays have proved to be very popular with the members.

Have a good week and good bowling.

WONTHAGGI INDOOR

THE bowlers enjoyed another happy week of bowling and were able to welcome back some previous members – lovely to have you back.

This week, there were 40 players – 18 on Tuesday and 22 on Friday.

Winners on Tuesday with a plus 16 were Jeannie Slocombe, John Postlethwaite and Max Sweetnam.

Runners up on plus four, winning one game only, were Maggie Scapin, Sylvia Mattock and Pam Russell.

On Friday, both teams won two games each the winners on plus 13 were Jan Milkins, Maggie Scapin, Bill Featherston and Jean Wylde.

Runners up on plus 11 were Helen Rook, Jenny Bakker, John Rook and Laurie Culph.

If you would like to join in the fun, no experience necessary, ring Jeannie on 0438 719 082.



Marg Ryan, Marg Johnson and Heather Wintle braved the wintery conditions to enjoy a win at the Wonthaggi Golf Club.



Heather Grist and Trudy Olden were the grade winners at Korumburra Golf Club last Wednesday.



Barb James and Ann Poole were the grade winners at the Woorayl Golf Club.



Foster Golf Club's grade winners were Kylie Collins and Jadrenka Franjic.

FOSTER

THE course is still in great condition, we have preferred lies on the fairways only.

On Tuesday, Trevor Jones (29) 44 points had a win.

NTPs were sixth Robin Smith and 15th Dave Hutchinson.

DTL went to Peter Riedel (21) 38 points, James Marks (21) 36 points and John Collins (16) 36 points.

Thursday's winner was Mick Connellan (18) 35 points.

NTPs were fourth Graeme Watkins and 17th Mick Connellan.

DTL went to Kylie Collins (15) 34 points, John Collins (17) 32 points and John Stone (19) 32 points.

The nine-hole weekly competition winner was Graham Cottam (26) 23 points.

The runner up was Kelly Pruyn (33) 20 points.

DTL went to Chris Buckland (+2) 19 points, David Bligh (27) 19 points, Peter Riedel (19) 19 points, Jake Pilkington (16) 18 points, Dave Hutchinson (11) 18 points and John Collins (16) 18 points.

There were two birdies in the competition - 13th Dave Hutchinson and 17th Graham Cottam.

Saturday turned out a wet day, so the golfers had a nine-hole comp.

The winner was John Collins (17) 17 points.

NTP on sixth was John Stone.

DTL went to Steve Vuillerman (18) 17 points and Leigh Roberts (11) 16 points.

Singles knockout matches are

to be played by the end of July.

This Saturday is Medal Day sponsored by Kiwi.

It is the first round over the Tuer which is a board event.

You have to play July and August medals and the top eight go into Matchplay for the Tuer Trophy.

Good golf, all Kiwi.

Ladies

WEDNESDAY Stableford sponsored by Barb Fuller.

Winner: A Grade Kylie Collins (15) 32 and B Grade Jadrenka Franjic 37 points.

NTP: 17th Jan Best.

BDTL: Michelle Sait Bennett 35 and Barb Britten (18) 31.

Nine-hole competition was won by Alayne McKenzie with 16 points.

Next week, July 10, Stableford.

KORUMBURRA

RESULTS: Tuesday, June 25. Stableford: 20 players.

A Grade: Ray Ludenia (17) 37 points.

B Grade: Pete Wallace (20) 38 points.

NTPs: first Don Hislop, 10th Zach Walker and 13th Wayne Knights.

Thursday, June 27: Stableford: 15 players.

Winner: Brian Clasby (17) 35 C/B.

Saturday, June 22: No competition - rained out.

Ladies

LAST Wednesday, the A Grade winner was Heather Grist (24) 32 points and Johanna van den Heiligenberg (13) was

runner-up, 30 points.

Trudy Olden (33) won B Grade 34 points after a c/b with Kim Enbom (43).

BDTL winners were Lyn Lep-pin (47) 33 points and Maree Wittingslow (41) 32 points.

Betty Thomson won the nine-hole comp with 10 points.

NTPs went to Johanna first and Barb Twite 10th.

The rain and cold weather deterred the women from playing golf on Saturday.

LEONGATHA

TUESDAY, June 25: Stableford.

Tuesday's "choose your own adventure" round saw 61 members/guests taking to the course for this Stableford event with players choosing their preferred coloured tee.

A Grade winner: Nicholas Byrne (13) with a score of 40 points.

A Grade runner up: Josh De Groot (12) with a score of 39 points.

B Grade winner: Lou Fuataga (15) with a score of 38 points on a countback.

B Grade runner up: Peter Read (15) with a score of 38 points.

C Grade winner: Mark O'Dwyer (23) with the high score of the day of 41 points.

C Grade runner up: Jim Cresp (23) with a score of 39 points.

NTP fifth second shot: Chad Clasby at 1.53m.

NTP 14th: Nicholas Byrne at 1.70m.

NTP 16th: Peter Read at 2.66m.

Thursday, June 27: Par.

Thursday's cold start saw 65 members/guests playing a Par event.

A Grade winner: Christopher Leaver (4) with a score of +1.

A Grade runner up: Peter Cling-in (14) with a score of 0 on a countback.

B Grade winner: John French (16) with the high score of the day with +6.

B Grade runner up: Leo De Bondt (16) with a score of -1 on a countback.

C Grade winner: Mark O'Dwyer (22) with a score of +1 on a countback.

C Grade runner up: David Child (21) with a score of +1.

NTP fifth second shot: Ashleigh Hutton at 3.04m.

NTP 14th: Donald Smith at 4.34m.

NTP 16th: Winton Knop at 1.16m.

Saturday, June 29: Stableford.

Saturday was a wet day for the Stableford round with a brave contingent of 29 members/

guests enduring the conditions.

A Grade winner: Sean Munley (28) with a score of 37 points.

A Grade runner up: Alan Starkey (6) with a score of 36 points.

Great score by Craig Hutchinson with an eagle on the 11th hole.

NTP fifth second shot: Ian Moorhouse at 1.00m.

Ladies

EVANS Petroleum sponsored the women's Stableford event last week, providing vouchers for the winners.

Despite the cold start, it was excellent weather for golf and the course continues to have plenty of run - particularly the greens.

Else Gedye (36) had 41 points, the top score for the day.

Wendy Parker (20) also had a 'pearler' finishing with 39 points.

Down the line balls went to Marg Griffiths 35, Jenny Teasdale 34, Kay Dumbleton 33, Jo McNaughton, Jill Moor and Maryanne Gartner all on 32, Ashleigh Hutton 31 and Karen de Groot just making it with 30 points.

Nearest the pin on the 16th was Else Gedye and second shot on the fifth went to Jenny Teasdale.

Jenny Fraser had the highest score in the nine-hole competition, finishing with 22 points and Lynda Bassett earned a ball down the line with 16 points.

MIRBOO NORTH

THURSDAY, June 27: Stableford.

A Grade: T. Bradshaw (11) 37 points c/b.

B Grade: J. McFarlane (18) 37 points.

DTL: S. McKenzie 36, M. Payne 34 and J. Robbins 33.

NTP: fourth J. Smeriglio, sixth M. Payne, 13th R. Matthews and 16th N. Baker.

Birdie: 16th T. Bradshaw.

Saturday, June 29: Stableford.

A Grade: S. Duff (10) 37 points.

B Grade: W. Reynolds (20) 40 points.

DTL: R. Matthews 36, P. Woodall, S. Woodall 35 and G. Shandley 34.

NTP: fourth R. Robbins, sixth G. Shandley, 13th Tim Traill and 16th N. Bickerton.

Birdies: fourth R. Robbins and 16th P. Woodall.

WONTHAGGI

RESULTS: June 27, SR. 71.

Competition: Stableford 18-hole.

Winner: Andrew Hooton-Shandley 36.

Runner up: Philip McCrimmon 34.

BDTL to 31.

Ball sweep: Chris Wilkinson 34, Colin Banks 33, Ian Murrells 33, Glenn Hewlett 33, Jonathon Wade 32 and Ian McNish 31.

Results: June 27, SR. 34.5.

Competition: Stableford front nine-hole.

Winner: Andrew Hooton-Shandley 20.

Runner up: Ian Murrells 18.

BDTL to 15.

Ball sweep: Ray Hender 18, Secondo Tiziani 16, K. Ridout 16 and Paul Cornelis 15.

Results: June 29, S.R 71.

Competition: Par.

Winners:

1: Graham Ryan +3.

2: Secondo Tiziani +1.

3: Sam Horvath +1.

BDTL to -2.

Ball sweep: Andrew Hooton-Shandley -1, Mark Tiziani -1, Garry Bates -1, Peter Hanley -2, Frank Huber -2 and Paul Cornelis -2.

NTP: John Walsh second, Sam Horvath eighth pro pin and Sam Horvath 13th.

1-9 holes winner: Garry Bates +2.

Ladies

LAYERS and more layers were the dress code for the chilly Wednesday golf day for the 22 intrepid players.

Then, the Wonthaggi wind arrived to add another challenge.

Stableford was the event and three grades made.

The scores reflected the degree of difficulty on the day.

The grade winners were A Grade Marg Johnson (14) 32 points, B Grade Marg Ryan (29) 31 points on c/b and C Grade Heather Wintle (39) 29 points.

NTP on second was Karen Sheerin and on eighth was Irene Walsh.

BDL went to Irene Walsh 31, Geraldine Prentice 30, Robyn Wilkinson 29, Merryn Dear 29 and Simone Lindsay 29.

WOORAYL

Ladies

TEN ladies braved the cold morning to compete a Stableford event sponsored by Marg Tuckett.

It was a sunny day with a cold breeze.

A Grade was won by Ann Poole 32 points.

B Grade winner was Barb James 27 points.

BDL went to Anne Grist 29 points and Jenny Riseley 27 points.

NTP on eighth went to Anne Grist, 11th Linda Forrester and 17th Sherrill Winkler.

Thrilling night of darts at Phillip Island

THE Phillip Island and Districts Darts League experienced an exciting and eventful Monday night at the local darts centre, with Round 12 delivering two nail-biting matches and two dominant performances that left the crowd buzzing.

In one of the night's closest contests, Dart Vaders narrowly edged out Mustangs with a 4-3 victory. The match was a tense back-and-forth affair, with both teams showcasing their skills and determination until the very last dart.

Meanwhile, the Vikings overcame a minor technical glitch to secure a decisive 5-2 win against the Breakers. Despite an error in the Dart Connect app initially showing the Breakers as the winners, the league's ladder correctly reflects the Vikings' triumph, ensuring accurate standings.

One of the evening's biggest surprises came from Jaggers, who delivered a stunning 7-0 upset against That's All. This unexpected victory was a highlight of the night, demonstrating Jaggers' prowess and strategic play.

Similarly, Riverboys made quick work of Joes Hornets, cruising to a comfortable 7-0 win. The match showcased Riverboys' consistency and focus, leaving Joes Hornets with little room to manoeuvre.

Before the matches commenced, a heartwarming moment unfolded as captain Laurie presented young Kien-an with his Joes Hornets match shirt. This gesture highlighted the inclusive and welcoming nature of the sport, where players of all ages, sometimes with up to a 70-year difference, compete on equal footing at the oche.

Adding to the night's excitement, multi-talented Peter Murphy from the Breakers emerged victorious in the San Remo Butchers meat tray raffle, much to the delight of attendees. The league extends its gratitude to all its fantastic sponsors for their continued support.

Looking ahead, next week's fixtures promise more thrilling action, with two highly anticipated matches: Vikings vs Storm and the in-form Jaggers facing off against Riverboys. Joes Hornets will have a bye.



Breaker's Peter Murphy scored the nights meat tray.

Zac selected for Kelpies

FORMER Wonthaggi netballer Zac Mabilia was recently announced as the midcourt reserve for the Australian men's netball squad the Kelpies.

He was also thrilled to be listed in the Fast 5 World Series side.

The midcourt player was contacted by head coach Nerida Stewart with news he would attend a training camp for potential selection on April 14, a week after nationals finished.

"She told me I had been invited and I was excited to be part of the squad and be able to get out on court this time – without injury," he said.

"I was really looking forward to the camp and being able to be part of this environment."

Zac attended the four-day selection camp in at the AIS in Canberra, which was a full-on experience with both on and off-court sessions.

"The camp was very intense with everyone going hard, as it was selections," he said.

"Overall, the camp was so much fun – meeting all the players from different states and being able to play against the highest level. It was so amazing to learn from the off-the-court sessions and to understand what it is like to be an athlete in the Kelpies space.

"In addition to this, because I'm still 18, I'm still eligible to be selected into the U20s Aussie men's side or the U23s Aussie men's side. Both of these sides also have their own respective international tours," he said.

The recently selected team will travel alongside the Australian Diamonds for the Constellation Cup Series in October.

For the Kelpies, this match is against the New Zealand Net Blacks men's team in a four-game series.

The venues are in Wellington and Auckland, with two games in New Zealand and two games in Australia.

The Australian venues are yet to be announced.

Zac ran into trouble last year when he suffered stress fractures in his back.



Zac Mabilia has established himself as a skilled midcourt player, now in contention for the Kelpies side. Photo credit: Clusterpix Photography.

He attended the U17s selection camp – as well as the Kelpies selection camp – but was unable to participate due to his injury.

"Sitting at the camps was a pretty tough experience as I wanted to be out on the court, but looking back, the Kelpies camp in particular was an invaluable experience. It exposed me to what that high-performance environment was like and meant that going this year I knew what to expect and how it was going to run," he said.

"This also meant that this year I was a little more comfortable going into camp, as I knew who most of the people were and had a good idea of how it was going to run."

Zac went through six months of rehab, followed by a reloading process to get back on the court.

He is well and truly back in the swing of things with plenty of training.

At the moment, he puts in one to two court sessions per week, as well as one to two strength and conditioning sessions in the gym.

He also plays footy when he can fit it around netball, as well as basketball and tennis.

Zac's netball journey started when he went to Net Set Go with his cousins.

He asked if he could join in and found a love for the sport.

He played at the Wonthaggi Netball Association on Saturday mornings before going on to join Wonthaggi Power's U13 side.

He played for two years and met the cut-off due to his age.

From there, he started playing in the Waverley and District Netball Association in the Saturday competition for the Hartwell Netball Association.

He also played representative netball for Waverley.

He then moved into the Victorian men's netball pathway, trialling for the U17s state team and was a training partner for the reserves side.

Zac played in the U17s for three years.

He went to nationals twice, winning in 2022 and 2023 as captain.

He was the grand final MVP awardee and was named in the All-Star Seven as centre.

In 2022, he was selected into the Australian men's U17 side and toured in New Zealand.

The team won all the round games in the U23s national competition but lost the final game to the New Zealand U20s side by one.

This year, Zac played in the U23s Victorian men's side at nationals and took the title, defeating South Australia in the grand final by nine points.

Zac described it as a "full-on week", playing 11 games.

He was recognised as the All-Star Seven wing attack for the tournament.

Zac was thrilled to be part of the most recent selection process.

"I was excited to get out there and part of it, but was also very nervous," he said.

"Overall, I'm just happy and thankful to be given the opportunity to be there."

Phillip Island Tenpin Bowling

League Finals

PHANTOM:
Phantom breakup will be held on Sunday July 14 at 4pm, whereby winners will be announced, and trophies handed out. Tea/coffee and nibbles will be provided.

2s Company (Monday's):
1st place on 33pts Pinpushers. 2nd place on 25.5pts Tinabe. 3rd place on 24.5pts Jail

Top scores for the season for both men and woman.

202 Raff Merante and 188 Penny Wolswinkel ABL (Wednesday's):

1st place on 169.5pts winning by pinfall Just Bowl Already. 2nd place on 169.5pts Fairlanes. 3rd place on 167.5pts Knackers.

Top scores for the season for both men and woman.

Dean Bacon 267 and Mary Dardha 191

Business Finals

Last Thursday the top four teams from each business league early and late competed in a knockout round to see who would be crowned this season's champions!

With an interesting twist to this season, we rolled upon a draw in the second round.

Woolly balls (Matt Ware, Dave Armstrong and Paul Mills)

S&R Clarke Auto (Steve R Clarke, Peter Wolf and Monika Wolf)

The Beagle Boys (David, Jason Bence and Steve A Clarke)

These three teams competed against each other in the final round, with the Beagle boys collectively hitting over the most pins, crowning them this season's winner!



The Beagle Boys, from left, Jason Bence, David and Steve A Clarke.



2024 WDNA Section 1 grand finalists. Power White, top, from left: Courtney Brann, Olivia Gilmour, Samantha Clark-Smith. Middle: Mia Plenkovich, Libby Hutchinson, Cassidy Bowman (Capt) and Ellie Bates. Absent: Brooke Anderson and Jemma Gilmour. Power Black. Front: Bec Farrell, Annalise O'Halloran, Freya Scapin, Elise DeSantis (Capt), Joanne Duscher, Gypsy Schmidt and Bailey Duscher. Absent: Georgia Slidders and Ava Scapin.

Power White take home the summer indoor netball win

W&DNA concluded their 2024 Summer Indoor Night Netball Season with Grand Finals held on Tuesday June 11. WDNA had its first season in the Bass Coast community three court stadium. It is such a beautiful facility to enjoy Indoor Night Netball and was enjoyed by all players and umpires. We thank the Wonthaggi Secondary College for their assistance.

Section One:

First of all, congratulations to Power Teal lead by Felicity Tack and The Ringins captained by Hannah Taylor for making it into Section 1 Finals, great effort girls. However, it was left to Power White, undefeated all season and Power Black to battle it out, and that they did. The first and third quarter goal scoring was only different by one. The ball was fiercely contested all game, both teams showing excellent skills and athleticism. Congratulations to both teams on a fast and high scoring game. Power White Premiers 56 to Power Black 38.

Section Two:

This was a terrific game. Power 17's came out firing setting up a good lead of 7 at half time. However, The Club turned it on in the third quarter, taking the lead their way by 6. Credit to the awesome young side for re-focusing and fighting back in the last quarter making up four goals. Final siren The Club 41 to Power 17's 39. Congratulations to both teams showing great skills, goals and determination. Well done.

Social:

Social Section saw Bench warmers (captain Libby Barton) play FairNuff. It was a close first half but it was FairNuff's night scoring consistently and stamping their



2024 WDNA Section 2 grand finalists. Premiers The Club, top, from left: Molly Horsfeild, Brogan Tiziani, Emily Turton and Shaylee Digit. Middle: Kasey Teakle, Brianna Pupetti, Sara Gillbee, Anthea Lisis (capt) and Emma Brierley. Power 17's, front: Milly Jobe, Samara Sleeman, Macy Peterson, Chloe Larson, Eva Brown, Sonia Seuren and Laci Gilliland. Absent: Izzy Fitzpatrick and Kiesha Martin.



2024 WDNA Social section winners. FairNuff, back from left: Ella Cargill, Una Curtain (Capt), Mirannda Davidson and Holly Forsyth. Front: Bonnie Einsiedel, Eliza Dickie and Harriet Waugh.

name on the game. It was a well contested and fun game. Congratulations Fair Nuff 32 to Bench warmers 18 Overall Best and Fairest, which was a mean feat considering there were over 100 players involved, was awarded to Macie Gilmour from Power Teal. The first runner up went to Holly Forsyth. The equal second runner up was awarded

to Brooke Anderson (Power White) and Lara Mullins (IK 17's). Congratulations girls on an outstanding season, well deserved. Other players who also had a great season were Ellie Bates, Bec Farrell, Macy Peterson, Sonia Seuren and Sarah Blundell, well done girls. All in all, everybody loved playing in the new venue whilst being a great way to keep fit



2024 WDNA Overall B&F. Holly Forsyth (first runner-up) and Maxie Gilmour (Power Teal)

and practise those skills. It was great to see netball being played in a very friendly and fun, happy manner. The W&DNA committee would like to thank all players, parents and spectators involved, also Abbey and our umpires for doing a great job and all the setting up every week, much appreciated. Winter Indoor Season will commence August 6.



Pat West, Matti Shub, Anne Sommerville and John Quaile were the winners of Grand National Open Teams event.

South Gippsland Bridge Club

RSL Wonthaggi, June 25: nine pairs competing.
Master point winners:
First: Julie Perriam and Anne Gibson 60.42.
Second: Matti Shub and John Quayle 59.72.
Third: Clive Hope and Faye Rowlands 59.72.
Fourth: Alan Johnston and Mike Dooley 58.33.
Inverloch Angling Club, June 28: 11 pairs.
First: John French and Deb Anglim 57.87.
Second: Ian and Julie McPhee 55.73.
Third: Lois Dwyer and Robyn Egan 53.12.
Fourth: Faye Rowlands and John Currier 51.39.
Fifth: Hannah Martin and Ruth Stevenson 49.48.
On June 23, the club held a heat of the Grand National Open Team Teams event with visiting teams competing from Sale Traralgon and Phillip Island. The winning team was the Inverloch-based foursome of Alan Johnston, Clive Hope, Matti Shub and John Quayle with 129.24 points. Runners up were the Phillip Island team of Greg Nicholson, Kaye Douglas, Caroline Shaw and Marnie Myall with 107.77 points. In third place was a Sale team comprising Robyn Hides, Libby Thomson, Lorraine Robinson and Dagmar Wells.

Table tennis results keep fans guessing

WONTHAGGI Table Tennis competition was firing on all cylinders with finals looming and form proving to be a precarious beast. Just like a dog chasing a postie, you never know if it's about to say hello or bite. As soon as Blue firmed as favourite, they lose a tight contest with White. Now the bookies are scratching their heads and sharpening their pencils again. Rob from Team White enjoyed the best win of his fledgling ping pong career, knocking over wily stalwart Fred in a thriller, 13 to 11 in the deciding fifth set carting his team over the line – bravo Rob. Brown rolled Yellow with leader Jolly Kimmins anchoring his team with aggressive thrust and parry. Yellow's Jay stunned the onlookers with new lavender rubbers on his paddle. Every elaborate, swashbuckling flash of purple blade blinded all and sundry like skyrockets at a Mardi Gras. Jay only needs to now don a pair of sequin shorty shorts to become a fully-fledged bling bling ping ponger. Black was convincing against Team Pink with the happy return of Sean Michael finding his old groove quickly and giving the bookies plenty to ponder as finals approach. White defeated Blue 6 to 5; Brown defeated Yellow 6 to 5; Black defeated Pink 7 to 4; Green bye. Ladder: Blue 28, Black 24, Green 24, Pink 24, White 20, Yellow 16 and Brown 16. Leading players: Justin 29, Dirk 27, Sven 24, Brad 24 and Leigh 17.

RESULTS

A GRADE
Tarwin 26 lt Morwell East 57
Yinnar 70 d Boolarra 24
T'dale 23 lt Mirboo Nth 65
Fish Creek 54 d Foster 34
N'borough 62 d Stony Creek 33

B GRADE
MDU 35 lt Hill End 61
Tarwin 23 lt Morwell East 64
Yinnar 28 lt Boolarra 47
T'dale 23 lt Mirboo Nth 64
Fish Creek 33 lt Foster 36
N'borough 55 d Stony Creek 51

C GRADE
MDU 31 d Hill End 23
Tarwin 28 d Morwell East 23
Yinnar 43 d Boolarra 27
Thorpdale 8 lt Mirboo Nth 50
Fish Creek 35 d Foster 33
N'borough 46 d Stony Creek 21

D GRADE
MDU 38 d Hill End 23
Tarwin 29 d Morwell East 27
Yinnar 39 d Boolarra 18
Thorpdale 8 lt Mirboo Nth 64
Fish Creek 49 d Foster 31
N'borough 31 d Stony Creek 24

17 & UNDER
MDU 32 lt Hill End 34
Yinnar 31 lt Boolarra 47
N'borough 39 d Stony Creek 36

15 & UNDER
MDU 42 d Hill End 33
Tarwin 21 d Morwell East 13
Yinnar 25 lt Boolarra 32
Fish Creek 13 lt Foster 28
N'borough 20 lt Stony Creek 29

13 & UNDER
MDU 33 d Hill End 24
Yinnar 35 d Boolarra 8
Fish Creek 39 d Foster 1
N'borough 34 d Stony Creek 10

LADDERS

A GRADE	%	pts
Yinnar	190.78	40
Fish Creek	152.44	38
Morwell East	146.44	38
MDU	131.41	36
Mirboo North	102.22	28
Foster	102.18	28
Newborough	111.93	24
Toora	92.21	24
Boolarra	86.47	20
Stony Creek	76.96	16
Tarwin	60.00	8
Thorpdale	41.61	4

B GRADE	%	pts
Foster	179.40	44
Boolarra	139.12	40
Morwell East	131.91	36
Fish Creek	149.38	32
Mirboo North	115.75	28
Hill End	121.51	24
Stony Creek	115.88	24
MDU	101.44	24
Yinnar	98.14	20
Newborough	95.30	16
Toora	89.69	16
Tarwin	38.44	4
Thorpdale	38.60	0

C GRADE	%	pts
Yinnar	177.61	44
MDU	131.52	36
Morwell East	134.75	32
Toora	132.18	32
Mirboo North	142.25	28
Newborough	124.17	28
Boolarra	110.83	28
Tarwin	114.33	22
Hill End	105.76	18
Fish Creek	87.22	16
Foster	74.19	12
Stony Creek	72.19	12
Thorpdale	16.74	0

D GRADE	%	pts
Fish Creek	181.32	44
Stony Creek	159.49	40
Yinnar	141.67	40
Morwell East	118.96	26
Toora	112.24	26
Newborough	137.33	24
MDU	127.20	24
Tarwin	104.75	24
Mirboo North	116.72	22
Boolarra	83.38	16
Hill End	85.32	14
Foster	65.18	8
Thorpdale	14.38	0

17 & UNDER	%	pts
Boolarra	196.19	44
Toora	181.68	40
Yinnar	159.17	32
Fish Creek	141.94	32
Hill End	86.30	32
MDU	139.08	28
Newborough	58.31	20
Mirboo North	68.68	16
Stony Creek	52.44	16
Morwell East	39.40	4

15 & UNDER	%	pts
Toora	217.79	44
Boolarra	201.70	40
Mirboo North	176.88	34
Hill End	160.59	34
MDU	176.96	32
Yinnar	139.49	28
Stony Creek	95.47	24
Foster	54.13	22
Fish Creek	46.05	16
Newborough	57.61	14
Morwell East	44.18	12
Tarwin	32.35	8

13 & UNDER	%	pts
Yinnar	322.97	44
MDU	151.70	40
Boolarra	145.16	36
Hill End	170.87	32
Newborough	136.36	28
Fish Creek	88.41	28
Mirboo North	113.91	24
Tarwin	83.52	20
Toora	68.71	20
Stony Creek	68.71	16
Foster	14.63	12

SPORT | NETBALL



Jade Leenen has ball in hand for Tarwin during its B Grade defeat by Morwell East. A08_2724



Tarwin's Blaire Bunter gets a pass away early in the B Grade match against Morwell East. A09_2724



Tarwin Goal Keeper Gemma Phillips tries to apply pressure to Morwell East's Alice Mills during B Grade competition. A10_2724



Tiana Blackwood passes the ball up court for Poowong in their a grade clash against Trafalgar. Photo: Jeff Tull.



Heidi Burgess is helped by Mackenzie Fort for Poowong in A grade. Photo: Jeff Tull.



Fish Creek and Foster contest the A Grade match won comfortably by the Kangaroos in Saturday's wet conditions. A15_2724



Foster scores against Fish Creek but the Kangaroos came out on top in A Grade action. A18_2724



Ange Macri defends for Fish Creek as Brylee Angwin sizes up the goal for Foster during the A Grade contest. A16_2724



Fish Creek and Foster battle it out during the A Grade game, with Kangaroo Bella Cocksedge and Tiger Annabel Davies leaping. A17_2724

WEST GIPPSLAND

RESULTS

A GRADE
Phillip Island 37 lt K-Bass 65
Kor-Bena 44 d Dalyston 41
Warragul I. 37 lt T-Dalmore 59
KWR 40 lt I-Kongwak 45
Garfield 33 lt Cora Lynn 40
Nar Nar Goon 31 lt Bunyip 37

B GRADE
Phillip Island 39 d K-Bass 38
Kor-Bena 38 lt Dalyston 58
Warragul I. 26 lt T-Dalmore 39
KWR 39 d I-Kongwak 37
Garfield 29 d Cora Lynn 28
Nar Nar Goon 48 d Bunyip 39

C GRADE
Phillip Island 10 lt K-Bass 31
Kor-Bena 25 lt Dalyston 31
Warragul I. 17 lt T-Dalmore 35
KWR 10 lt I-Kongwak 35
Garfield 15 lt Cora Lynn 31
Nar Nar Goon 37 d Bunyip 22

D GRADE
Phillip Island 27 d K-Bass 19
Kor-Bena 42 d Dalyston 21
Warragul I. 18 lt T-Dalmore 35
KWR 10 lt I-Kongwak 20
Garfield 30 d Cora Lynn 16
Nar Nar Goon 44 d Bunyip 21

17 & UNDER
Phillip Island 34 d K-Bass 9
Kor-Bena 45 d Dalyston 34
Warragul I. 2 lt T-Dalmore 63
KWR 10 lt I-Kongwak 28
Garfield 43 d Cora Lynn 36
Nar Nar Goon 32 d Bunyip 23

15 & UNDER
Phillip Island 46 d K-Bass 10
Kor-Bena 31 d Dalyston 11
Warragul I. 25 drew T-Dal. 25
KWR 21 d I-Kongwak 11
Garfield 6 lt Cora Lynn 36
Nar Nar Goon 64 d Bunyip 12

13 & UNDER
Phillip Island 30 d K-Bass 26
Kor-Bena 27 d Dalyston 5
Warragul I. 32 lt T-Dalmore 35
KWR 6 lt I-Kongwak 17
Garfield 7 lt Cora Lynn 36
Nar Nar Goon 38 d Bunyip 15

11 & UNDER
Phillip Island 20 d K-Bass 4
Kor-Bena 13 drew Dalyston 13
Warragul I. 2 lt T-Dalmore 38
KWR 18 lt I-Kongwak 21
Garfield 4 lt Cora Lynn 27
Nar Nar Goon 19 d Bunyip 5

LADDERS

A GRADE	%	pts
Inverloch-K	155.21	48
Kilcunda-Bass	120.83	34
Tooradin-Dal.	112.20	34
Dalyston	122.22	32
Nar Nar Goon	108.72	30
Cora Lynn	117.47	28
Koo Wee Rup	99.28	26
Kor-Bena	98.85	24
Phillip Island	84.15	12
Bunyip	81.60	12
Garfield	76.96	8
Warragul Ind.	60.52	0

C GRADE	%	pts
Nar Nar Goon	138.90	44
Inverloch-K.	162.03	40
Tooradin-Dal.	136.03	40
Cora Lynn	123.79	40
Kilcunda-Bass	120.00	28
Kor-Bena	95.59	20
Dalyston	93.82	18
Bunyip	93.82	18
Koo Wee Rup	93.05	18
Garfield	88.72	18
Warragul Ind.	60.36	4
Phillip Island	47.52	0

17 & UNDER	%	pts
Phillip Island	174.75	44
Tooradin-Dal.	166.55	42
Nar Nar Goon	136.61	40
Inverloch-K.	154.10	36
Garfield	129.01	28
Kor-Bena	128.09	30
Cora Lynn	100.51	20
Koo Wee Rup	75.20	12
Bunyip	72.73	12
Dalyston	79.95	8
Kilcunda Bass	73.43	8
Warragul Ind.	19.77	0

13 & UNDER	%	pts
Cora Lynn	310.46	46
Nar Nar Goon	238.55	44
Tooradin-Dal.	233.33	42
Warragul Ind.	109.57	30
Kor-Bena	135.19	28
Phillip Island	95.95	22
Inverloch K.	82.92	22
Garfield	74.13	22
Kilcunda-Bass	79.17	20
Bunyip	32.13	8
Dalyston	47.39	4
Koo Wee Rup	25.00	0



Nyora's Tiana Heylen concentrates on her shot in their thrilling one goal win over Lang Lang in B Grade.



Goal attack Tiana Heylen looks for an option in the goal circle as the game was in the balance.



Shannon Heylen directs a pass towards her sister Tiana to create a scoring opportunity.



Heidi Driscoll primed to continue another Nyora forward move.



Nyora B Grade's Hailey Schreurs searches for a long option further down the court.



Jarney Thomas takes a shot at goal for Dalyston.



Olivia Bramley waits by her opponents side, as GK Gemma Thomas holds off Korumburra-Bena's GA.



Power's A Grade Olivia Gilmour takes a great pass against Warrgul. Photo: Paul Landells.



Power's A Grade Jess Blair applies good pressure on Warragul. Photo: Paul Landells.



Ellie Bates of Wonthaggi Power A Grade stretches to hold the incoming pass. Photo: Paul Landells.

ELLINBANK

RESULTS

A GRADE

N-Darnum 71 d Longwarry 36
Ellinbank 39 d Buln Buln 38
Poowong 31 lt Trafalgar 46
Neerim Sth 33 d Yarragon 20

B GRADE

N-Darnum 73 d Longwarry 23
Ellinbank 31 lt Buln Buln 37
Poowong 20 drew Trafalgar 20
Lang Lang 38 lt Nyora 39
Neerim Sth 64 d Yarragon 30

C GRADE

N-Darnum 35 d Longwarry 22
Ellinbank 52 d Buln Buln 18
Poowong 18 lt Trafalgar 25
Lang Lang 57 d Nyora 8
Neerim Sth 35 d Yarragon 28

LADDERS

A GRADE

%

pts

Neerim South172.1744

Nilma-Darnum158.5936

Ellinbank143.0628

Trafalgar110.7824

Yarragon92.5620

Lang Lang92.0416

Buln Buln87.5516

Poowong79.7412

Longwarry63.078

Catani63.884

Nyora0.000

B GRADE

%

pts

Ellinbank171.3940

Neerim South133.9336

Buln Buln127.5536

Nilma-Darnum119.3336

Trafalgar117.9034

Catani103.2624

Lang Lang118.5520

Poowong83.0418

Nyora74.5410

Longwarry51.484

Yarragon67.852

C GRADE

%

pts

Neerim South171.1044

Lang Lang170.6144

Ellinbank191.9240

Catani155.5132

Nilma-Darnum144.0932

Yarragon104.6820

Trafalgar84.9020

Buln Buln86.8616

Poowong70.538

Longwarry74.594

Nyora16.550

17 & UNDER

%

pts

Catani246.8140

Yarragon187.2638

Trafalgar155.1238

Poowong173.4636

Nilma-Darnum163.2832

Longwarry119.2024

Ellinbank75.6620

Lang Lang88.1316

Buln Buln72.9812

Neerim South35.444

Nyora9.810

15 & UNDER

%

pts

Buln Buln188.7646

Catani168.1038

Lang Lang157.0832

Poowong146.3432

Trafalgar109.5928

Neerim South108.4628

Nilma-Darnum107.2424

Yarragon107.1920

Ellinbank64.678

Longwarry58.554

Nyora4.550

13 & UNDER

%

pts

Buln Buln666.6744

Lang Lang252.3840

Poowong214.2940

Yarragon198.6940

Longwarry125.1324

Trafalgar123.3524

Nilma-Darnum97.3316

Ellinbank93.0616

Neerim South69.6412

Catani16.094

Nyora2.630

GIPPSLAND

RESULTS

A GRADE

Drouin 57 d Bairnsdale 37
Morwell 35 lt Moe 51
Wonthaggi 44 lt Warragul 52
Traralgon 43 d Leongatha 37
Sale 40 d Maffra 29

B GRADE

Drouin 55 d Bairnsdale 42
Morwell 38 lt Moe 46
Wonthaggi 52 d Warragul 44
Traralgon 31 lt Leongatha 41
Sale 43 d Maffra 25

C GRADE

Drouin 39 d Bairnsdale 26
Morwell 33 d Moe 27
Wonthaggi 29 d Warragul 17
Traralgon 34 d Leongatha 28
Sale 27 lt Maffra 38

LADDERS

A GRADE

%

pts

Moe169.9848

Drouin142.5340

Warragul121.9036

Traralgon111.8730

Wonthaggi103.7924

Bairnsdale96.5124

Leongatha96.1716

Morwell93.9714

Sale64.006

Maffra46.012

B GRADE

%

pts

Drouin136.6044

Traralgon128.0440

Leongatha153.2138

Moe119.6434

Sale93.2126

Wonthaggi102.8422

Warragul96.7716

Morwell87.1114

Maffra51.876

Bairnsdale70.420

C GRADE

%

pts

Drouin150.8646

Morwell139.7746

Maffra109.0232

Traralgon105.7732

Wonthaggi113.3224

Leongatha103.7524

Moe90.8612

Bairnsdale84.5112

Sale62.838

Warragul65.614

17 & UNDER

%

pts

Traralgon216.1348

Leongatha182.3140

Bairnsdale137.2036

Sale128.4532

Drouin122.0228

Wonthaggi100.7224

Maffra84.8216

Moe56.3112

Morwell55.644

Warragul36.090

15 & UNDER

%

pts

Bairnsdale214.2346

Sale161.6146

Traralgon176.2736

Moe122.4328

Maffra97.4124

Drouin80.2420

Wonthaggi77.3020

Morwell66.4512

Leongatha64.098

Warragul50.630

13 & UNDER

%

pts

Leongatha200.4044

Traralgon200.9138

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Bairnsdale132.7224

Drouin72.9416

Wonthaggi29.3516

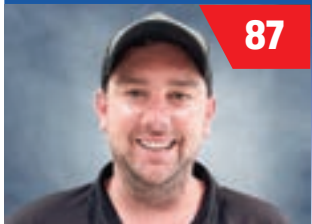
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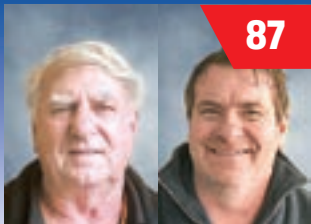
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LAST WEEK'S TIPS 6



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**DAVID
ENGLAND**

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LAST WEEK'S TIPS 5



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LAST WEEK'S TIPS 5



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**PETER
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LAST WEEK'S TIPS 5



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LAST WEEK'S TIPS 3



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GILCHRIST** **JASSY
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Ben Fisher	91
Justin Caporale	90
Carl Lindsay	89
Rod O'Neill	89
Darryl McGannon	88
Ant Cook	87
Keith & Eddie	87
Phil Hardy	87
Phil & Cathal	87
Warren Stewart	87
David England	86
Hayden Poppe	85
Peter Fort	85
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Brad Hodson	81
Kris Baker	80
Shane Cooke	78
Jack & Jassy	77
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Bass Coast Breakers competed in its Pride Round at the Dalyston Recreation Reserve on Saturday night.

Breakers play with Pride

BASS Coast Breakers hosted Tyabb for the Pride Round at Dalyston Recreation Reserve on Saturday night.

The Breakers were thrilled to be part of the night game against old rivals.

“We love it (Pride Round). It’s the round we look for to all year. We take a lot of pride in it. It’s really important to us because part of our values is being inclusive, having fun and being social, and really showing that everyone is welcome. Footy is a game for everyone,” Breakers player Jenna Russo said.

Despite the wet conditions on the night, spectators turned out to watch and enjoy the festivities afterwards.

Tyabb ultimately won the game by 22-points, with the final score being Breakers 0.3.3 to Tyabb 2.13.25.

The Breakers established a fun and friendly rivalry with Tyabb, having met each other a number of time in premier-ship matches.

This is the third year the Breakers have hosted a Pride Round and continue to take it up another notch.

“We aim to keep making it bigger and bigger, and getting more people behind it. After the game, we’ll stick around for some food, music and fun,” Jenna said.

“That’s what it’s all about – having fun, playing the game we love and getting to have a celebration afterwards.”

Match Report

The scene was set for a great night with giant rainbow flags and music creating a great Pride Cup vibe – unfortunately the weather didn’t get the memo.

Tyabb were quick to adjust to the conditions and created an early goal in the middle of a huge downpour. The Breakers soon found their groove, welcoming back Molly Conway who was in and under at every contest. The midfield

led by Sophie McCracken-Evans in her 100th match were working hard to win the ball at the stoppages however the home side couldn’t get it into their forward line.

Nico Randall was kept busy in the second quarter with Tyabb doing all of the attacking. With great contesting and decision making on the last line of defence, conceding a number of behinds and reducing the damage on the scoreboard.

The Breakers came out firing in the third quarter, dominating the play and creating some promising goal opportunities for the first time in the match. Unfortunately, they weren’t able to convert the great play into goals and make any inroads on the scoreboard despite keeping Tyabb scoreless for the quarter.

The wind picked up in the last quarter – unusually favouring the netball court pocket - with the ball getting a large portion of the quarter locked in there. The Breakers did well to concede just one goal for the quarter with Jayde Lamb’s pressure helping to limit Tyabb’s opportunities.

While the final score didn’t go the Breakers way the match was played in great spirits and served as a reminder that sport is about much more than winning with both teams and the community coming together after the match to continue the Pride Cup celebrations.

Final score: Tyabb 2.13-25 def Breakers 0.3-3

Best: Nico Randall, Molly Conway, Tess Angarane, Sophie McCracken-Evans, Jayde Lamb, Gaby Hynes

The Breakers will enjoy a week off before venturing to Red Hill for their last match of the season Saturday, July 13, 12pm.



The Bass Coast Breakers ran through the banner to launch this year’s Pride Round.

Nail-biting game goes to Trafalgar in late battle



The rain didn't dampen Alex Henshall as he secured the mark against his Trafalgar opponent. Photo: Jeff Tull.

By Geoff Wyatt

POOWONG welcomed Trafalgar in all four levels, U/16s, U/18s, Reserves and Senior, on a cold wintry day with rain most of the day and a breeze to the Drouin Road end. The ground stood up well to the conditions and four games.

Poowong made three changes out Mitch Cochrane, Charlie Koscal and Gavan Monson, all unavailable, replaced by Lachie Waters, Anthony Orisini U/18's first Senior game and Andrew Logan back after first son Henry James Logan arrived.

Having a very young side on the ground it was good to see the development of these boys, they all move well and read the play. Rory Nettle has good delivery and long kick, Tom Burgess looks very promising and competitive, Jett Blackwood has good ball handling and is dangerous around the forward line. Pat Dorian makes the most of his opportunities, Aaron Damon showing promising signs and works hard, and Anthony Orisini played well in his first Senior game.

Trafalgar kicked to the Drouin Road end and was on the board early with two goals before Poowong went forward with a point to Jake Cochrane followed by a kick out of bounds. Micah Williames brought up the first major for Poowong from a good snap, Trafalgar went around the boundary to kick their third. Poowong replied with a goal to Jett Blackwood from the boundary for their second. Jack Hazendonk, who was

in everything, found Alex Henshall for Poowong's third.

Both sides moved the ball well in the conditions, Poowong getting back into the game after a slow start. Alex Henshall added a great goal early from the boundary, his second, with Trafalgar adding their fifth from a free kick. Poowong unfortunately lost Jake Cochrane with a hamstring leaving a big hole in the forward line. Poowong's Micah Williames added his second with a great snap and then Poowong added a point from a free kick to go in at half time with a one-point lead 5.2.32 to Trafalgar 5.1.31.

Poowong's pressure was good, they were working well together, the umpires were doing a good job in the conditions and both sides were moving the ball well, the game was up for grabs.

The lights were on for most of the game and Poowong started the third quarter with a great individual goal to Alex Henshall. Alex Henshall added his second for the quarter from a free kick at CHF and then his fourth. Poowong went into the final quarter with a two-point lead.

Poowong and Trafalgar battled closely in the final quarter. Poowong took an early nine-point lead, but Trafalgar quickly responded, narrowing the margin. Both teams exchanged points and goals, with Trafalgar ultimately taking a two-point lead late in the game. Poowong tried hard to get back the lead, but the siren sounded with the ball in attack. Poowong 8.6.54 Trafalgar 9.3.57 down by three points.

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POOWONG FOOTBALL CLUB

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POOWONG	TRAFFALGAR
Poowong 3.1 5.2 7.3 8.6 (54)	Trafalgar 4.1 5.1 7.1 9.3 (57)

GOALS, Poowong: Alex Henshall 4, Micah Williames 2, Jack Hazendonk, Jett Blackwood 1 each
BEST: Alex Henshall, Jack Hazendonk, Micah Williames, Mitchell van't Hof, Anthony Orisini, Mitch De Kleuver
GOALS, Trafalgar: Klay Butler 3, Mathew Devon 2, Cooper Minichiello, Isaac Caroleo, Daniel Baker, Matthew Swenson 1 each
BEST: Darcy Brock, Maclean McInnes, Dylan Farrell, Dylan Gauci, Klay Butler, Jackson Noonan

RESERVES
Poowong 1.0 3.2 3.3 3.3 (21)
Trafalgar 3.3 5.7 7.11 11.11 (77)

GOALS, Poowong: Tarkyn Taylor-Wilton, Jordan Meredith, Todd McWilliams 1 each
BEST: Timothy Gallert, Lachlan Dunn, Caspian Jackman-Riches, Rhys Schulz, Riley Lewis, Daniel McDonald
GOALS, Trafalgar: Luke O'Neill 3, Oliver Hennessy, Josh Moore, Owen McLeod-Agland 2, Brett Cameron, Keegan Tullett 1 each
BEST: Hardy Kenny, Luke O'Neill, Keegan Tullett, Jacob Matthews, Owen McLeod-Agland, Josh Moore

THIRDS
Poowong 3.3 6.7 7.9 8.12 (60)
Trafalgar 0.0 0.1 1.3 1.3 (9)

GOALS, Poowong: Patrick Dorian 2, Rory Nettle, Lachlan Wilson, Jordan Foote, Thomas Burgess, Tarkyn Taylor-Wilton, Bryce Riddell 1 each
BEST: Bryce Riddell, Benjamin Fowler, Hayden Hessels, William Dowel, Tarkyn Taylor-Wilton, Jordan Foote
GOALS, Trafalgar: Toby McCabe 1
BEST: Andrew Daly, Angus Carlson, Brock Gill, Jordan Chapman, Oliver White, Joshua Mills

FOURTHS
Poowong 3.1 5.2 7.6 11.8 (74)
Trafalgar 0.3 0.4 1.5 2.6 (18)

GOALS, Poowong: Cruze Deal 7, Tait Nicolls, William Dixon, Henri Bott, Zachary Sherar 1 each
BEST: Henri Bott, Zachary Sherar, Christian Dorian, George Edwards, Kohen Mandemaker, Cruze Deal
GOALS, Trafalgar: William Mills 2
BEST: William Mills, Oliver White, Wesley Scott, Brodie Gauci, Nate Mccrorey, Hudson Grujic

NYORA FOOTBALL CLUB

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LANG LANG	NYORA
Lang Lang 4.2 4.7 9.10 14.15 (99)	Nyora 1.0 2.0 3.0 3.0 (18)

GOALS, Lang Lang: Marc Holt 3, Bradley Clark, Jesse Hand, Cameron Brown, Chaise Jordan 2, Tyler Guan, Norman Barry, Brett Kirkham 1 each
BEST: Bradley Clark, Dylan Gallasch, Cameron Brown, Daniel Vela, Dylan Wilson, Mitchell Davey
GOALS, Nyora: Samuel Dixon, Jono Hewitt, Lincoln Brock 1 each
BEST: William McGindie, Lucas Lee, Jordan Anderson, Lewis Kennedy, Charlie Moller, Lincoln Brock

RESERVES
Lang Lang 6.2 15.6 21.9 31.13 (199)
Nyora 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 (0)

GOALS, Lang Lang: Tadhg O'Riordan 10, Kurt Batt 8, Rhys Simmons 3, Geordie Well, Nathan Perkins 2, Benjamin Barwick, Bradley Ventura, Devlin Parker, Mark Penn, Ashley Williams, Tyler Falzon 1 each
BEST: Tadhg O'Riordan, Kurt Batt, Trent Harvie, Devlin Parker, Mark Penn, Rhys Simmons
BEST, Nyora: Luke Ferguson, Tyson Shiell, Jye Shaw-Remy, Blake Boyd, Brayden Smith, Mason Koffman

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS
Buln Buln 4.8.32 d Ellinbank 4.4.28
Neerim Sth 17.12.114 d Yarragon 3.2.20
Longwarry 8.4.52 d N-Darnum 8.4.52

RESERVES
Ellinbank 6.6.42 d Buln Buln 4.8.32
Neerim Sth 20.19.139 d Yarragon 2.2.14
Longwarry 8.2.50 d N-Darnum 2.6.18

THIRDS
Ellinbank 8.10.58 d Buln Buln 2.3.15
Lang Lang 8.6.554 d Neerim Sth 4.8.32
Longwarry 19.10.124 d N-Darnum 4.6.30

FOURTHS
Ellinbank 11.5.71 d Buln Buln 4.5.29
Neerim Sth 23.19.157 d Yarragon 0.4.4
N-Darnum 11.9.75 d Longwarry 7.4.46

Lang Lang flex their muscles to deny Nyora

CONTINUING to show improvement the second time around, Nyora was defeated by Lang Lang by 81 points on Saturday.

This was a 60-point improvement on its round two effort.

Playing at Lang Lang, the day was wet, but the ground was in good condition, so it didn't have an impact on the outcome of the game.

Nyora was happy to produce a competitive three quarters against the strong second-placed Lang Lang side but was disappointed the fitness began to lapse by the fourth quarter.

Nyora opened its account in the first quarter and continued to put one goal on the board each quarter for the first three quarters.

The goal-kicking effort was shared between Lincoln Brock, Sam Dixon and Jono Hewitt.

A few turnovers in the centre gave Lang Lang more opportunities to go inside 50, allowing the Tigers to gain a bit of a lead in the first quarter.

Nyora tightened its defence and produced a winning second quarter.

With excellent pressure in the backline, Lang Lang had more difficulty finding easy scoring positions.

William McGindie was dominant in the defence, keeping legendary Lang Lang goalkicker Marc Holt to just three for the day.

Dylan Heylen had an impressive day in the midfield and Charlie Moller battled hard in the ruck.

Lang Lang regrouped in the third quarter and increased the margin, despite Nyora keeping up its intensity.

The third quarter had a heat-

ed conclusion, resulting in a scuffle leading into three-quarter time.

Words were exchanged about Nyora's unsuccessful season, which led to swift reminders Lang Lang has not won a Senior premiership in almost 100 years.

Nyora began to wear down in the fourth quarter and Lang Lang added five more goals to its tally, resulting in the comfortable win.

Nyora will face Poowong in a local derby rematch on Saturday.

The B and C Grade netballers will play their matches on Thursday night, allowing them to enjoy a Ladies' Day at the club on Saturday in support of the children's charity Very Special Kids.

The club is looking forward to a great atmosphere on the day.



Captain Sam Dixon gave his all for Nyora against the Tigers.

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SENIORS					RESERVES					THIRDS					FOURTHS				
	W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	% WON		W	L	%	% WON
Buln Buln	12	0	287.72	48	Ellinbank	11	0	506.64	44	Catani	9	1	186.09	90.0	Ellinbank	10	1	374.04	90.9
Lang Lang	10	2	175.00	40	Lang Lang	11	1	392.69	44	Ellinbank	9	2	222.60	81.1	Buln Buln	10	2	324.42	83.3
Neerim South	9	3	206.59	36	Neerim South	10	2	326.36	40	Poowong	9	2	184.15	81.1	Neerim South	9	3	293.94	75.0
Ellinbank	8	3	169.91	32	Buln Buln	7	5	244.37	28	Longwarry	8	4	167.27	66.6	Poowong	8	4	162.80	66.6
Longwarry	8	4	155.02	32	Nilma-Darnum	7	5	117.37	28	Neerim Sth	6	6	119.19	50.0	Nilma-Darnum	7	5	123.73	58.3
Trafalgar	6	6	86.73	24	Longwarry	6	6	125.67	24	Trafalgar	5	7	104.66	41.6	Trafalgar	4	8	73.95	33.3
Nilma-Darnum	5	7	92.59	20	Trafalgar	6	6	97.43	24	Lang Lang	5	7	68.16	41.6	Lang Lang	3	7	39.22	30.0
Poowong	3	9	71.26	12	Yarragon	4	8	50.68	16	Nilma-Darnum	1	10	37.33	8.3	Yarragon	1	10	20.59	9.0
Yarragon	3	9	55.75	12	Nyora	2	10	22.02	8	Buln Buln	0	12	32.00	0.0	Longwarry	0	12	30.94	0.0
Catani	1	10	47.80	4	Catani	1	10	38.24	4	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0	Catani	0	0	0.00	0.0
Nyora	0	12	20.81	0	Poowong	0	12	11.31	0	Yarragon	0	0	0.00	0	Nyora	0	0	0.00	0.0

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LEONGATHA FOOTBALL CLUB



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TRARALGON				
Traralgon	2.2	3.2	5.4	7.9 (51)
Leongatha	2.1	7.2	10.6	13.7 (85)

GOALS, Traralgon: William Brent, Luis D'Angelo, Chance Doultree, Max Jacobsen, Kade Ruyters, Lucas Tripodi, Liam Willaton 1 each
BEST: Connor Ambler, Liam Willaton, Mitch Membrey, Joel Scholtes, Jackson McMahon, Max Jacobsen
GOALS, Leongatha: Jenson Garnham 3, Julian Callahan, Jackson Harry 2, Nicholas Argento, Tallin Brill, Jack Ginnane, Jacob Lamers, Jarrod Stewart, Benjamin Willis 1 each
BEST: Kim Drew, Sam Forrester, Jenson Garnham, Jackson Harry, Jarrod Stewart, Mitchell Bentvelzen

RESERVES
Traralgon 0.1 2.3 2.5 3.7 (25)
Leongatha 2.0 5.1 7.3 9.4 (58)
GOALS, Traralgon: Beau Locandro, Jaxon Mudita, Bryce Woszczeiko 1 each
BEST: Jarn Macumber, Cohen Ruyters, Jesse Jackway, Tyler Anderson, Fletcher Watts, Beau Hutton
GOALS, Leongatha: Ned Hanily, Trent McRae 2, Jesse Burns, Hayden Lindsay, Flynn Materia, Robert Reardon, Joshua Schelling 1 each
BEST: Noah Fixter, Jesse Burns, Xavier Bolge, Rhett Kelly, Joel Renden, Jaxon Hayes

THIRDS
Traralgon 2.1 2.6 3.8 7.10 (52)
Leongatha 1.4 3.5 4.8 5.10 (40)
BEST, Traralgon: Rogan Rutter, Harrison Pirie, Evan Pass, Jake Zappulla, Lucas Greenhill, Kai Rowley
BEST, Leongatha: Jude Fixter, Finn Donohue, Nathan Skewes, Hayden Bowler, Eli Pitts, Campbell Reid

FOURTHS
Traralgon 8.2 14.5 17.7 21.12 (138)
Leongatha 0.1 0.1 2.3 2.3 (15)
BEST, Traralgon: Blair Roscoe, Lachlan Pass, Jaxon Murdoch, Hudson Anderson, Ford Gore, Brody Stevenson
BEST, Leongatha: Noah Bradley, Angus Livingstone, Frazer Livingstone, Beau Elkin, Harry Whelan

WONTHAGGI FOOTBALL CLUB



51



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WONTHAGGI				
Wonthaggi	0.0	3.1	7.1	8.3 (51)
Warragul	1.2	3.4	4.4	4.5 (29)

GOALS, Wonthaggi: Cooper McInnes 4, Jaxon Williams 2, Brayden Duve, Hunter Tiziani 1 each
BEST: Jakeb Thomas, Jack Blair, Shannon Bray, Kyle Yann, Joshua Schulz, Kaj Patterson
GOALS, Warragul: Jed Lamb 3, Jake Hughes 1
BEST: Isaac Wallace, Liam Serong, Jed Lamb, Jack Lewsey, Mitchell Smart, Riley Senini

RESERVES
Wonthaggi 3.1 5.3 7.4 9.6 (60)
Warragul 0.0 2.0 3.0 3.0 (18)
GOALS, Wonthaggi: Adam Busana 3, Ollie Dawson, Reeve Moresco 2, Adam Pugh 1
BEST: Reeve Moresco, Jarvis Brown, Jorin Joske, Andrew McNeel, Kieran Mohen, Jai Williamson
GOALS, Warragul: Xavier La Frantz, Randall Mitchell, Tyson O'Leary 1 each
BEST: Michael Lynn, Lachlan Miller, Xavier La Frantz, Daniel Ridgway, Jacob Orlicki, Joseph Simpson

FOURTHS
Wonthaggi 2.4 3.7 5.10 6.14 (50)
Warragul 1.0 2.2 3.2 4.3 (27)
BEST, Wonthaggi: Ayden Fawaz, Thomas Macmillan, Connor Macmillan, Jackson Glen, Billy Wyhoon, Edward Coyne
BEST, Warragul: Chase Ingram, William MacLean, Fraser Aubrey, Nate Young, Henry Allsop, Lucas Dalton

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS
Bairnsdale 8.8.56 d Drouin 8.7.55
Moe 11.9.75 d Morwell 8.10.58
Sale 12.17.89 d Maffra 8.12.60
RESERVES
Bairnsdale 6.11.47 d Drouin 0.6.6
Morwell 9.8.62 d Moe 3.4.22
Maffra 10.11.71 d Sale 3.4.22
THIRDS
Drouin 12.19.91 d Bairnsdale 3.4.22
Moe 6.9.45 d Morwell 5.3.33
Maffra 25.12.162 d Sale 2.2.14
FOURTHS
Bairnsdale 8.10.58 d Drouin 2.8.20
Moe 28.9.177 d Morwell 4.1.25
Maffra 15.19.109 d Sale 3.3.21

Power hold its ground



Wonthaggi Power's Cooper McInnes takes the mark against Warragul. Photo: Paul Landells.

A STRONG second half allowed Wonthaggi Power to hold onto the win against Warragul on Saturday.

Power welcomed Warragul to its home ground and went into battle in the wet conditions to win by 22 points.

Both sides went into the game with some key outs, but were determined to put up a good contest.

A scoreless first quarter had Power on the backfoot.

However, Warragul only managed to gain an eight-point lead.

Power regrouped in the second quarter and started to look dangerous.

Power capitalised on its opportunities to add three goals to the tally.

Cooper McInnes led Power's goal scoring effort with a four-goal haul for the game.

Jaxon Williams added two throughout the game, and Brayden Duve and Hunter Tiziani scored one each.

Tiziani and Jye Gilmour are among Power's young guns proving to be real assets in the lineup.

The Power defence, as a unit, applied enough pressure to ensure Warragul's scoring opportunities were restricted to two goals.

Jakeb Thomas played another consistent game, controlling the backline and winning many critical contests.

Power trailed by two points heading into the halftime break.

Overtaking Warragul in the third quarter, Power added four more goals to its tally to create a 15-point lead.

Power looked after the ball and was a lot cleaner down the field, returning to its usual style of play.

Jack Blair had started the game at half back flank, but was moved into the midfield and really turned it on for Power.

Adjusting to a new position in the ruck, Shannon Bray also gave a strong performance and was competitive all day.

Warragul only hit the scoreboard once, but remained competitive, keeping Power accountable.

Scoring opportunities were limited on both sides in the final quarter, but Power kept the game on its terms and maintained the lead until the final siren.

Power will be facing a trial next week, coming up against the top of the table Leongatha Parrots.

Focusing on playing week by week rather than on the ladder, Power is confident it is well positioned to challenge the Parrots and will be playing to win.

Power has been continuing to build its game all season and is looking to head to the Parrots' home ground with a reasonably full squad.

Tiny Towns boost for Nyora Football Netball Club

UMPIRES can look forward to new facilities at Nyora Football Netball Club thanks to a State Government Tiny Towns grant of just over \$11,000, with club officials present on Thursday to welcome Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh.

The funding will be used to provide male and female umpire change rooms and shower facilities behind the existing clubhouse at Nyora Recreation Reserve.

That is particularly important for the increasing number of female umpires who currently lack necessary facilities.

Tom was delighted to hear that having the planned amenities will put the Saints in the running to host finals, which will bring money into the club that can put towards other projects.

He heard about several initiatives the club is hoping to bring to fruition.

The Saints already have planning and building permits for the umpires' change room project.

"It's going to be massive for the club," Nyora president Sam Dixon said, expressing his appreciation for the grant, which came through Regional Development Victoria's Tiny Towns Fund.



Nyora Football Netball Club's Paul Bell, Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh, club secretary Kerryn Heylen, president Sam Dixon and junior president Shannon Gallagher catch up to chat about how the Saints will benefit from their Tiny Towns grant. A02_2724

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SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts	THIRDS	W	L	%	pts	FOURTHS	W	L	%	pts
Leongatha	10	2	170.37	40	Leongatha	12	0	455.31	48	Warragul	8	2	212.39	32	Traralgon	12	0	551.95	48
Traralgon	8	3	118.17	34	Maffra	10	2	246.88	40	Leongatha	8	3	208.31	32	Moe	11	1	321.77	44
Moe	8	4	116.75	32	Bairnsdale	9	3	146.50	36	Traralgon	8	3	173.15	32	Maffra	9	3	309.32	36
Sale	7	5	100.84	28	Traralgon	8	4	217.54	32	Maffra	8	3	171.71	32	Wonthaggi	9	3	174.29	36
Morwell	6	5	95.60	26	Wonthaggi	5	7	66.10	20	Drouin	7	4	133.84	28	Bairnsdale	8	4	94.91	32
Bairnsdale	6	6	106.31	24	Sale	5	7	60.89	20	Moe	4	7	70.73	16	Sale	4	8	64.83	16
Wonthaggi	6	6	100.71	24	Drouin	4	8	65.02	16	Bairnsdale	4	7	64.94	16	Drouin	3	9	49.18	12
Drouin	4	8	82.49	16	Morwell	3	9	65.04	12	Sale	1	9	42.30	4	Leongatha	2	10	38.84	8
Warragul	3	9	77.08	12	Moe	3	9	42.78	12	Morwell	0	10	25.16	0	Warragul	2	10	32.39	8
Maffra	1	11	67.65	4	Warragul	1	11	28.33	4	Wonthaggi	0	0	0.00	0	Morwell	0	12	16.95	0



A versatile Jarrod Stewart took a turn in the ruck for Leongatha at Traralgon on Saturday but also won his share of the ball on the ground in a strong all-round effort.



Traralgon's Josh Hamilton claimed this spectacular mark on the wing, but Leongatha's Jackson Harry took a better one early in the first quarter.

Parrots take charge of Maroons

WHILE Leongatha skipper Tom Marriott, and Jack Hume were among the Parrots remaining out of action due to injury, Kim Drew was a welcome addition, dazzling in his long-awaited return to senior action as the challenge of host Traralgon was seen off.

In a highly anticipated top-of-the-ladder clash, the second-placed Maroons had the chance to knock the Parrots off the lofty perch.

However, after Traralgon took a 1-point advantage to the first change, Leongatha increasingly assumed control of proceedings as the second quarter progressed, with Drew one of those who ensured that occurred.

By game's end he'd racked up 25 disposals, with four marks, 13 clearances and eight inside 50s, justly earning him the TRFM commentary team's player of the day status, the performance also winning praise from his coach Trent McMicking.

"Kim's first game back was huge and he won heaps of contested clearances, and it was great to have him back in the mid-field," he said.

The Parrots had winners around the ground with Sam Forrester another of the brightest lights, playing half back all day and repelling a lot of Traralgon's attacks and keeping Chance Doultree quiet when the Maroon went forward.

Jenson Garnham topped Leongatha's goal kicking for the day with three majors, including a classy effort in the second term when he took the points in a one-on-one contest and snapped neatly.

Jackson Harry and Julian Callahan booted a couple of majors apiece, one of Harry's resulting from a soaring mark during the first term, his emphatic grab

set up by a Callahan kick.

Both sides shared the workload in the ruck.

For Leongatha, Ben Willis (27 hitouts) was well supported by Jarrod Stewart (14 hitouts), with Harry chiming in with a couple, while Traralgon's Max Jacobsen (39 hitouts), Jacob Van Iwaarden (13 hitouts) and Daniel McKenna (5 hitouts) helped keep the ruck contests interesting.

Willis celebrated his first major in a few seasons, juggling a mark and nailing his set shot, only to see fellow big man Jacobsen respond with his own goal shortly after.

Traralgon vice captain Connor Ambler was named his side's best for his 28 disposal game, taking four marks and providing five clearances and three inside 50s.

The Maroons never gave up but Leongatha refused to give them the opportunity to snatch top spot.

Having a competition-wide bye has come at a good time for the Parrots who are confident of strengthening their line up for their next assignment against fierce rival and last year's grand final opponent Wonthaggi.

Cooper Alger who missed the Traralgon contest with injuries to his head and neck is set to return, with Marriott, Luke Bowman, Jack Hume, Aaron Hillberg, Jay Walker and Jesse Burns all in the frame, and important backman Cade Maskell rated a fifty-fifty chance to play.

With Wonthaggi having knocked off Waragul to make it three consecutive wins, Power is building momentum and Leongatha will need to be on its game, but the Parrots are used to being the hunted and are sure to provide formidable opposition at their nest.



Kim Drew was one of the Parrots best on the day at Traralgon, unbeaten at the stoppages all day to provide plenty of drive for the visitors.

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

RND 11

STONY CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB

66

50

NEWBOROUGH	STONY CREEK
Newborough	1.2 5.4 7.5 10.6 (66)
Stony Creek	3.2 4.2 4.6 7.8 (50)
GOALS, Newborough: Kyle Jennings, Josh Pearce 3, Peter Ainsworth 2, Wade Anderson, Nathan Wheildon 1 each	
BEST: Peter Ainsworth, Darnell Grech, Alex Skinner, Nathan Wheildon, Kyle Jennings, Jack Hudson	
GOALS, Stony Creek: Kael Bergles 3, Hayden Bull, Cody Loughridge, Colby Michael, Chris Verboon 1 each	
BEST: Tom Stone, Tully Bernaldo, Sam Marriott, Aidan Simmons, Jai Bright, Tylah O'Connor Linke,	
RESERVES	
Newborough	2.4 6.6 10.8 14.8 (92)
Stony Creek	0.0 1.2 2.2 4.4 (28)
GOALS, Newborough: Matt Rowlings 4, Brodie Burgess, Lachlan Gilroy, Will Troy 2, Jake Bowden, Joel Jacovou, Tyler Peters, Ben van Dyk 1 each	
BEST: Joshua Bland, Jake Bowden, Will Troy, Aaron Fanning, Matt Rowlings, Tyler Peters	
GOALS, Stony Creek: Lucas Byrnes 2, Brad Renden, Mitchell J Rowe 1 each	
BEST: Ryan McKnight, Tyson Davies, Adam Atkins, Ben Heath, Mitchell J Rowe, Brad Renden	

TARWIN FOOTBALL CLUB

44

79

TARWIN	MORWELL EAST
Tarwin	2.0 4.4 4.11 5.14 (44)
Morwell East	3.2 6.3 11.6 12.7 (79)
GOALS, Tarwin: Jason Kennedy 2, Ben Ellen, Kane McCarthy, Matthew Williams 1 each	
BEST: Ben Ellen, Lachie Jones, Travis Krause, Matthew Williams, Joshua Carmody, Tom Vanderkolk	
GOALS, Morwell East: Jarrod Lont 5, Brandon Francis 3, Chris Wangman 2, Michael Diaz, Bradley Kimberley 1 each	
BEST: Jarrod Lont, Bradley Kimberley, Isaac Abas, Cain Iorangi, Brandon Francis, Lachlan Day	
RESERVES	
Tarwin	1.1 1.2 2.3 2.6 (18)
Morwell East	4.4 10.7 13.9 17.11 (113)
GOALS, Tarwin: Aidan Staley, Nick Tucker 1 each	
BEST: George Bountris, Zak Bright, Nick Tucker, Tom Giroud, Nick McRae, Travis Cameron	
GOALS, Morwell East: Nathan-Lee Nikodemski 3, Kaleb Chapman, Shae Duncan, Dustin Heyden, Liam Little 2, Patrick Carte, Corey Hall, Brodie Murdoch, James Quinn, Izayah Terrick, Shannon Winmar 1 each	
BEST: James Quinn, Brodie Murdoch, Liam Little, Jake Birchall, Dylan Pappas, Dustin Heyden	
THIRDS	
Fish Crk/Tarwin	1.0 1.2 4.4 5.4 (34)
MDU	3.4 7.5 7.8 9.10 (64)
GOALS, Fish Crk/Tarwin: Alby Edgelow 2, Lucas Buckland, Jackson Morgan, Joseph Rysko 1 each	
BEST: Joseph Rysko, Wilkie Edgelow, Zak Bright, Tom Piasente, Tommy Bartels, Harrison Watt	

MDU FOOTBALL CLUB

56

38

MDU	HILL END
MDU	3.5 5.8 5.11 7.14 (56)
Hill End	2.2 3.2 4.2 6.2 (38)
GOALS, MDU: Nathan Allen 3, Shaye Walsh 2, Thomas Corry, Lachie Wright 1 each	
BEST: Nathan Allen, Kieran Bohn, Shaye Walsh, Jake Brydon, Joel Leeden, Jake Bromley	
GOALS, Hill End: Jamie Somers 2, Seth Calway, Robert Gillespie, Trent Kearney, Amburupa Uliando 1 each	
BEST: Seth Calway, Harry Moore, Robert Gillespie, Adam Forth, Brodie McLachlan, Aaron Fawcett	
RESERVES	
MDU	5.3 10.8 16.11 19.14 (128)
Hill End	3.1 3.2 3.2 3.3 (21)
GOALS, MDU: Tyson Harris 4, Rylie Checkley, Jack Dunn, Hunter Fennell, Benjamin Maxwell, Michael Smith, Rhys Weaver 2, Matt Harris, Brayden Sellings, Aaron Trease 1 each	
BEST: Matt Harris, Tyson Harris, Jake Skilton, Rylie Checkley, Tadhg Dennehy, Kyra Helms	
GOALS, Hill End: Bradley Gorman 3	
BEST: Jake Schiavello, Bradley Gorman, Joshua Coombs, Brody Hams, Travis Jones, Lincoln Riley	
THIRDS	
Fish Crk/Tarwin	1.0 1.2 4.4 5.4 (34)
MDU	3.4 7.5 7.8 9.10 (64)
GOALS, MDU: Kyra Helms 3, Hunter Fennell, Angus McInnes 2, Joshua Doolan, Billy Trotman 1 each	
BEST: Hunter Fennell, Timothy Hibberson, Kyra Helms, Billy Trotman, Jordan Cleator, Lochlan Webb	



Tarwin's Jason Kennedy moves into block Morwell East's Caiin Iorangi. A13_2724

Hawks dominate with strong third quarter surge

By Rob Popplestone

TARWIN were under no illusions as to the size of the struggle when they welcomed the in-form and fourth-placed Morwell East to their home ground on the weekend.

The Sharks, just a game behind those inside the top six, had set themselves to win one against the odds and in doing so shifted to another gear with so many possibilities still ahead, however, what the Sharks were left with, was one that got away, with the visiting Hawks too good when they needed to be.

Morwell East 12-7-79 to Tarwin 5-14-44.

The Hawks have a nice spread of talent within a group of players that can be moulded around both the opposition and also the playing conditions.

“Our small forwards and hard-working mids were key in wet conditions at Tarwin on the weekend,” Paul Henry, Morwell East coach said.

“It was a tight game, hard to get a run and carry going, but we found ways at times. It was nice to be accurate on goal this week. Same scoring shots after half-time, we just managed to kick straighter.”

That has been the story of the year, not only for Morwell East but for a few other clubs at the top of the table, making the most of opportunities when they present and being cool under pressure, because the pressure is seemingly relentless week to week.

“Having to play

another top-three team in four weeks, we knew we would have to be switched on,” Jason Kennedy, Tarwin’s coach said.

“At the start of the game, we set ourselves a goal to play four quarters with confidence and I feel we did that. Unfortunately, we didn’t maximise our chances in the forward half and as top teams do, Morwell countered and made us pay. We have taken a lot of positives from the game and will continue to look for ways to improve.”

The Sharks are starting to lose touch with the bottom few clubs of the League’s top six, somehow they need to find a way to reach the finish line first, and they need to do it very quickly.



The footy is in dispute as Tarwin's Daniel Houston, Josh Carmody and Jason Kennedy compete with Hawks Bradley Kimberley and Caiin Iorangi. A14_2724

Demons fend off determined Hillsmen

By Rob Popplestone

MDU was probably never going to lose this one against the winless visitors in Hill End on the weekend, but as the season moves closer to the real deal, how sides win becomes a little more important as coaches prepare their sides for much more fierce competition.

The Rovers gave that to the Demons much earlier than what was expected, pushing the home side all the way.

MDU 7-14-56 to Hill End 6-2-38.

The result expected, the scoreline camouflaging a much closer game than anyone would have thought, and an obvious indication that Hill End is moving in the right direction and that the Demons still have some work to do.

“We got the four points in tough, slippery conditions,” Nathan Allen, MDU coach stated.

“Hill end made it difficult for us all day. They were very strong at the contest and their pressure forced a few errors. Still, a lot to work on from our end in converting our opportunities.”

Given their position on the MGFNL ladder, the Demons still have a little room and time to improve, but only just a little of each, as the pressure from the teams below is still very much alive.

Hill End on the other hand have all teams before them, but that sense that a win is getting closer is also starting to get stronger.

“We put up our first four quarter effort for the year. Will never celebrate a loss but the coaching staff and Hill End spectators were very proud of the effort the boys showed,” Ambu Uliando, Hill End coach said.

The Hillsmen are a very tight group and that is obvious in their efforts in one of their most trying seasons, that in itself is a huge win for a club still searching for their first victory.

Dogs hold off lions to secure crucial victory

By Rob Popplestone

NEWBOROUGH had been good, but understood they needed to be better, Stony Creek had been fair and were desperately trying to be good.

The Bulldogs started round 11 in fifth position, two wins clear of the ninth placed Lions, knowing that another victory might be enough to kill off the visitors’ season, and that is what they eventually achieved, but it wasn’t without some early match anxiety for the home team.

Newborough 10-6-66 to Stony Creek 7-8-50.

The win gives the Bulldogs the all-important four premiership points and at this stage of the season that remains crucial but adapting to the different conditions week to week will also become more and more important through winter.

“Wet heavy conditions have not been our strengths, a 350 game milestone for Dylan Zuidema meant the only win on offer was four points,” Craig Skinner, Newborough coach said.

“Jibba Ainsworth had his own footy today and made it look dry. With four points banked we travel to the Toora for four more before our bye.”

Newborough acknowledge their player’s milestone games very well and winning them is also important for the very proud Bulldogs.

Stony Creek had their chance to play the role as a party pooper when they got within a kick late in the game, but in the end it was another close one that got away from the Lions.

“It was the first wet weather game for the year,” Chris Verboon, Stony Creek coach stated.

“We started really well. Using the short kicks and spreading well despite the weather. The second quarter we stopped our spread and played down the line, which favoured Newborough. We got within five points in the last quarter but couldn’t get over the line. I was happy with how we moved the footy in the conditions. We just need to do it for four quarters.”

That may well be the Lions chances of finals gone for 2024, unless from nowhere they can not only string four quarters together but also do it for multiple weeks in a row.



Fish Creek's Damian Scully gets set to dispose of the footy during the Kangaroos' narrow victory over Foster. A22_2724



Thomas Cameron of Fish Creek and Foster's Billy Flavelle are nearest to the footy during a close and low scoring contest won by the Kangaroos. A19_2724

Fishy edges out Foster in thrilling round 11 showdown

AS THE cold of winter starts to settle in, the resilience of the players also starts to be tested, the excitement felt at the start of the year is sprinkled with niggling injuries, training sessions are often in dark and wet conditions and the week ahead seems no easier than the week before.

Welcome to round eleven!

If ever a contest was to fire up players, coaches and supporters it was to be this clash between two of the better footballing clubs in regional Victoria and two of the very best in the MGFNL.

The Tigers arrived ready to rumble and show the progress that they had made in recent months was enough

By Rob Popplestone

to knock over the top-of-the-table Kangaroos.

Fish Creek have always been good, and they had to be every bit as they have been plus a little more to hold off the visitors.

Fish Creek 5-6-36, five-point winners over Foster 4-7-31.

The margin did justice to a fiercely fought contest, where either side could have won, a series of lead changes throughout the afternoon adding to a finals-like excitement.

"It was an epic game and despite being low scoring it was a finals-like atmosphere," Jarrod Walker, Fish Creek

coach said.

"Really proud of our group to grit the teeth and not give up after Foster got on top in the third quarter. The game came to life in the last quarter with a couple of late lead changes and it was great to be on the right side when the siren sounded. Another great story in the Fishy vs Foster rivalry."

Scores were locked away at the first break, it was Fish Creek by a point at halftime before the Tigers led by eight at the end of the third quarter, and as disappointing as the result might have been, at the very least Foster can walk away knowing they have what is needed to take it up to the premiership favourites right

to the very end.

"It was a really good battle all day, we gave ourselves chances to win the game and led at crucial parts of the game. However, we just really let ourselves down by giving free kicks away, not creating repeat stoppage and reward in front of goal," Sam Davies, Foster coach said.

"It was good to see how we measured up against one of the league's best, I'm happy with a lot of areas, just not the result."

Whilst the result is not ideal, which resulted in Foster dropping from third to fourth, there remain plenty more opportunities to write some wrongs before second chances might not be available.

Thorpdale triumphs in rain-drenched showdown

THORPDALE'S 37-point victory at home in the wet over Mirboo North on Saturday was its sixth for 2024 and sees the Blues maintain seventh position on the Mid Gippsland ladder.

Although Thorpdale also won the reserves footy match, Mirboo North retained the annual Bright/St Ellen Memorial Shield, after victories in the four netball clashes between the clubs.

Mirboo North welcomed back its skipper, Hudson Kerr – missing since round two with a broken left arm – as almost constant drizzle, turning to rain at times, prevailed for the afternoon.

Despite the Thorpdale oval's slippery surface remaining firm, some slower and less agile players looked like they

By Rover

were running in wet cement and/or had lead in their boots.

In challenging playing conditions like these – where there is much hunting in packs – implementing an open forward-line game plan policy, is near impossible.

The mighty Tigers' Riley Oddy scored the only goal of the first quarter by either team and added another in the second term for the visitors.

Mirboo North trailed by three points at the main break, after both teams mustered just two majors apiece, in congested, dog-eat-dog, hard-slog, no-beg-pardons, wet-weather football.

Willing bodies from both sides continued to be put on the line in the third term, as

Thorpdale booted 2.4 and restricted Mirboo North to a single behind.

Those consistently in the thick of the action for the Blues included Travis Patten, Gavin Low, Jarrah Burgess and Jordan Ceppi.

Worthy performers for the Tigers were big man, Joe Brooks, Riley Oddy, Kerr and Harry Mahoney.

Sturdy Mirboo North defender, Todd Alexander, wore former Essendon high-flier, Gary Moorcroft, like a golf glove, limiting him to one goal for the match.

At times, Alexander stayed so close to Moorcroft, that there was barely any daylight between the two of them.

Taj Wilkins was another Mirboo North back man who refused to allow his opponent

any elbow room – even when the ball was 100 metres away in the Tigers' forward line.

However, Mirboo North's season-long affliction of being unable to kick sufficient goals to be competitive, continued to plague the Tigers, with Michael McLean recording their third major, late in the final term.

Thorpdale wrapped up proceedings with a four-goal last quarter, that included a 45-metre set shot major from playing coach, Jason Winderlich, that flew as straight as an arrow, directly over the goal umpire's head.

This Saturday, Mirboo North hosts Tarwin in MN-FNC's annual heritage round game at Tigerland, where the Tigers will wear a replica purple and gold jersey from the 1970s and 80s.

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE RESULTS

RND 11

FISH CREEK FOOTBALL CLUB

FOSTER FOOTBALL CLUB



36



31

FISH CREEK	FOSTER
Fish Creek	1.0 1.2 2.3 5.6 (36)
Foster	1.0 1.1 3.5 4.7 (31)

GOALS, Fish Creek: Darcy Berryman 4, Josh Standfield 1
BEST: Thomas Vuillermin, Timmothy Gavenlock, Kairon Dorling, Darcy Berryman, Jarrod Walker, Jake Anderson
GOALS, Foster: Cody Banbury, Jake Best, Billy Flavelle, Jack Rathjen 1 each
BEST: Oliver Callcott, Mitchell Allott, Jake Best, Todd Bastion, Josh Toner, Craig Wray

FISH CREEK	FOSTER
Fish Creek	4.2 5.7 7.13 10.19 (79)
Foster	0.1 1.1 2.2 2.2 (14)

GOALS, Fish Creek: Colin McPhee 5, Toby Redpath 3, Lucas Hateley, Owen Straw 1 each
BEST: Lane Bowman, Brad Pulham, Matthew Pocklington, Travis Manne, Brandon Busuttil, Zack Redpath
GOALS, Foster: Steven Armstrong, Jason Midwinter 1 each
BEST: Eddie Smith, Joshua Albrecht, Patrick Doran, Brayden Hall, Jacob Albrecht, Steven Armstrong

THIRDS

Fish Crk/Tarwin	1.0 1.2 4.4 5.4 (34)
MDU	3.4 7.5 7.8 9.10 (64)
GOALS, Fish Crk/Tarwin: Alby Edgelow 2, Lucas Buckland, Jackson Morgan, Joseph Rysko 1 each	
BEST: Joseph Rysko, Wilkie Edgelow, Zak Bright, Tom Piasente, Tommy Bartels, Harrison Watt	

MIRBOO NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB



59



23

THORPDALE	MIRBOO NORTH
Thorpdale	0.4 2.6 4.10 8.11 (59)
Mirboo North	1.2 2.3 2.4 3.5 (23)

GOALS, Thorpdale: Ray Pickering 2, Jarrah Burgess, Gary Moorcroft, Kayne O'Connell, Travis Patten, Matt Ravenall, Jason Winderlich 1 each
BEST: Travis Patten, Gavin Low, Jarrah Burgess, Jordan Ceppi, James Holland-Burch, Jason Winderlich
GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Riley Oddy 2, Michael Mclean 1
BEST: Joe Brooks, Riley Oddy, Hudson Kerr, Harrison Mahoney, William Jacka, Taj Wilkins

THORPDALE	MIRBOO NORTH
Thorpdale	2.2 6.2 9.3 11.7 (73)
Mirboo North	0.2 0.3 1.6 2.8 (20)

GOALS, Thorpdale: Trent Gibson 5, Simon Lawson 2, Zane Danger, Mark Graeme, Devyn Heusmann, Johnny Pisa 1 each
BEST: Mark Graeme, Trent Gibson, Benjamin Hotchkin, Haydn Edwards, Brandon Watson, Jack Nankervis
GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Angus O'Loughlin, Cameron Young 1 each
BEST: Blake Peters, William Lewis, Andy McCarthy, Cameron Young, Tom McGrath, Charlie Malady

THORPDALE	MIRBOO NORTH
Newborough	6.2 8.5 10.7 14.8 (92)
Mirboo North	0.0 2.0 3.1 3.3 (21)

GOALS, Newborough: Oscar Hanson 7, Macally Brosnan, William Cuthbertson, Brody Young 2, Jackson Shields 1
BEST: Oscar Hanson, Noah Tunks, Macally Brosnan, Jackson Shields, Riley Kunziak, Tristin McGrath
GOALS, Mirboo Nth: Tom McGrath 2, Rory King 1
BEST: Billy Jennings, Zac Jones, Jack Jagusch, Lachlan Poljak, Archie Mahoney, Deacon Moore

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS	Yinnar	13.9.87	d Boolarra	3.7.25
RESERVES	Yinnar	9.6.60	d Boolarra	2.6.18

THIS WEEKEND'S DRAW

SATURDAY, JULY 6

MID GIPPSLAND ROUND 12

Toora v Newborough
Mirboo North v Tarwin
Stony Creek v Fish Creek
Morwell East v MDU
Foster v Yinnar
Hill End v Boolarra
Thorpdale - BYE

MID GIPPSLAND LEAGUE LADDERS					ROUND 11				
SENIORS	W	L	%	pts	RESERVES	W	L	%	pts
Yinnar	9	1	197.67	40	Newborough	10	1	422.55	40
Fish Creek	9	1	190.41	40	Yinnar	8	2	360.32	36
Morwell East	8	2	209.03	36	Morwell East	8	2	289.32	36
Foster	8	2	132.38	36	MDU	8	2	214.55	36
Newborough	7	4	139.86	28	Stony Creek	7	3	225.07	32
MDU	6	4	115.99	28	Fish Creek	6	4	235.12	28
Thorpdale	6	5	110.59	24	Toora	6	6	67.87	20
Tarwin	4	6	77.57	20	Boolarra	6	6	54.29	20
Stony Creek	3	7	103.38	16	Thorpdale	4	7	56.11	16
Boolarra	3	7	77.36	16	Hill End	3	7	32.39	16
Toora	2	8	70.07	12	Tarwin	2	7	63.05	12
Mirboo North	1	9	37.05	8	Mirboo North	2	8	18.30	12
Hill End	0	10	31.08	4	Foster	0	10	17.59	4

THIRDS	W	L	%	pts
MDU	8	0	269.76	42
Yinnar	4	4	141.76	28
Newborough	5	4	76.27	28
Fish Creek/Tarwin	2	6	97.69	18
Mirboo Nth	2	7	39.83	16
Stony Creek	0	0	0.00	0
Hill End	0	0	0.00	0
Toora	0	0	0.00	0
Boolarra	0	0	0.00	0
Thorpdale	0	0	0.00	0
Morwell East	0	0	0.00	0
Foster	0	0	0.00	0

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WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION	
Tooradin-Dalmore	10.17.77 d Warragul Industrials 1.6.12
Inverloch-Kongwak	8.17.65 d Koo Wee Rup 3.7.25
Dalyston	11.15.81 d Korumburra-Bena 5.8.38
Cora Lynn	13.12.90 d Garfield 1.3.9
Phillip Island	13.15.93 d Kilcunda-Bass 8.11.59
Nar Nar Goon	14.23.107 d Bunyip 1.3.9

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WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION RESULTS

RND 12

KORUMBURRA FOOTBALL CLUB

DALYSTON FOOTBALL CLUB

38

81

KORUMBURRA-BENA	DALYSTON			
Kor-Bena	1.1	2.4	3.6	5.8 (38)
Dalyston	0.8	1.9	7.13	11.15 (81)
GOALS, Kor-Bena: Tom Crocker 2, Nicholas Besley, Hugh Gordon, Tyler Newton 1 each				
BEST: Kodie Walker, Byron Walker, Kye Benson, Joel Cuman, Josh Hopkins, Zach Walker				
GOALS, Dalyston: Hayden Wallis 4, Mitch Hallahan 3, Stewart Beaumont 2, William Clarke 1				
BEST: Mitch Hallahan, Kyle Kirk, Benjamin M Lewis, Brad Monson, Koby Brann, William Clarke				
RESERVES				
Kor-Bena	1.2	2.2	5.4	6.6 (42)
Dalyston	1.1	1.3	2.3	2.4 (16)
GOALS, Kor-Bena: Patrick Beadel, William Croatto 2, Liam Oconnor, Alex Walker 1 each				
BEST: William Croatto, Patrick Beadel, Isaak Fox, Colin Terry, Caleb Turton				
GOALS, Dalyston: Jake Gheller, Lochlan Mclean 1 each				
BEST: Troy Alford, John Jones, Ben McRae, Bayley Sungalis, Keyva Kay-Darts, Jake Gheller				
THIRDS				
Kor-Bena	1.1	2.1	2.1	2.2 (14)
Dalyston	3.4	6.6	8.8	10.10 (70)
GOALS, Kor-Bena: Zachary Barrett, Jake Fowles 1 each				
BEST: Tanner Walker, Zachary Barrett, Dallas Walker, Caleb Turton, Bailey Fowles, Evan Belvedere				
GOALS, Dalyston: Campbell Bell, Jesse Dugard, Chase Krause, Noah Shepherd 2, Flynn Peters, Beau Ransom 1 each				
BEST: Chase Krause, Harry Howell, Bailey Anderson, Callum Connell, Beau Ransom, Campbell Bell				
FOURTHS				
No results confirmed at time of printing.				

IN OTHER GAMES...

SENIORS

Tooradin-Dal	10.17.77	d	Warragul Ind	1.6.12
Cora Lynn	13.12.90	d	Garfield	1.3.9
Nar Nar Goon	14.23.107	d	Bunyip	1.3.9

RESERVES

Tooradin-Dal	21.19.145	d	Warragul Ind	0.0.0
Cora Lynn	4.7.31	d	Garfield	2.6.18
Nar Nar Goon	15.9.99	d	Bunyip	1.1.7

THIRDS

Warragul Ind	14.22.106	d	Tooradin-Dal	2.2.14
Nar Nar Goon	13.17.95	d	Bunyip	0.1.1

FOURTHS

Warragul Ind	8.9.57	d	Tooradin-Dal	3.1.19
Nar Nar Goon	5.12.42	d	Bunyip	0.2.2



Conditions were tough for all teams at the Korumburra Showgrounds on Saturday. Photo: Nadine Smith.

Tide turns in favour of the Magpies

DALYSTON retained the Ian Hillberg trophy by defeating Korumburra-Bena with a commanding second half of football that contrasted the dour battle until that point.

Played in conditions only a duck would appreciate – cold, wet and dreary, the Magpies pulled themselves out of their first half doldrums at Korumburra by finding a much needed second gear.

Heading to the town end, Dalyston had the majority of possession from the outset with Kirk and Hallahan both influential and Blake Carew's booming kicks penetrating the Giant's defence. Despite owning the ball and having repeated forward entries their goal-kicking radar was totally off kilter. Shots went left and right with none on target.

They had racked up eight consecutive behinds as the clock ticked down costing them dearly.

Korumburra-Bena tightened the contest with Hopkins and Cuman gaining

headway to allow Tom Crocker the opportunity to goal and leave their deficit just a solitary point at quarter time.

The rain abated for the start of the second, but the ground still reacted like a skating rink.

With both team's defences well ahead, the ball rebounded end to end without reward. The Giants' Tyler Newton broke the scoring drought when his free kick tight on the boundary became a certainty with a 50-metre penalty.

Twenty minutes in, Stewie Beaumont via a blistering Monson pass finally scored the Magpies first. Half-time came without further majors scored leaving the home side holding the slimmest advantage possible.

The fickle weather turned (to rain again), as did Dalyston's demeanour and Hayden Wallis resumed, goaling within thirty seconds.

Will Clarke, alternating in the ruck, was having a real presence and his superb tap work to Mitch Hallahan on the fly resulted

in another quick one, before Clarke then added the next.

Dalyston were on a roll and continued to deliver results, nailing the next three goals in succession. Only a late goal to Crocker slowed their progress as the visitors gathered at the last change 31-points clear.

The lights were on, but there was no hope left in sight for Korumburra-Bena as Wallis scored the next two goals. The miserly Dalyston defence led by Lewis, Alexander and West had held strong all game allowing little opportunity for the Giants to profit from the work up the ground of the Walker boys.

In true Korumburra-Bena fashion, the Giants played it out till the final siren with goals to Besley and Gordon reward for effort.

After the bye both clubs face tough opponents, Dalyston host Nar Nar Goon and Korumburra-Bena head off to the Cobra Dome.

THIS WEEKEND'S DRAW

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Bulldogs maintain control in win over Kilcunda-Bass

PHILLIP Island seniors secured a convincing victory against friendly rivals Kilcunda-Bass in their Round 12 clash at Cowes. The Bulldogs dominated throughout the match, showcasing their strength and skill on the field.

From the outset, Phillip Island took control, kicking 3.5.23 in the first quarter while holding Kilcunda-Bass to just 1.0.6. The Bulldogs continued to extend their lead in the second quarter, heading into halftime with a comfortable 5.9.39 to 2.1.13 advantage.

The third quarter saw Phillip Island maintain their momentum, adding 3.4 to their tally. Despite the Panthers showing signs of life with 2.6 for the quarter, the Bulldogs' lead remained substantial at 8.13.61 to 4.7.31.

In the final term, both teams lifted their scoring, but Phillip Island's accuracy proved superior. The Bulldogs kicked 5.2 to the Panthers 4.5, sealing a decisive 33-point victory. The final scoreline read Phillip Island 13.15.93 defeating Kilcunda-Bass 8.12.60.

Hayden Bruce was instrumental in Phillip Island's success, not only being named among the best players but also contributing two goals. Mark Griffin, Daniel Bourke, Jaymie Youle, Connor Thompson, and Bryce Hindhaugh also delivered standout performances for the Bulldogs.

The goal-scoring duties were well-distributed among the Phillip Island players. Alongside Bruce's brace, Jack Taylor and Marcus Wright also kicked two goals each. Yianni Caffierrri, Alex Duyker, Bryce Hindhaugh, Billy Taylor, Connor Thompson, Max Walton, and Travis Woodfield each added one goal to the tally.

For Kilcunda-Bass, Dale Gawley stood out as both the best player and goal-scorer with two majors. Nathan Foote, Lochlan Scott, Sam Watson, Benjamin Eddy, and John Mentiplay fought hard for the Panthers. Anthony Daraio and Dean McRae matched Gawley's two-goal effort, while Dale Crawford and Timothy Gunn each contributed one goal.



Bryce Hindhaugh lines up a goal for the Bulldogs at the Kennel on Saturday.
Photo: Carol Ratcliff.

After a slow start the Sea Eagles overcome the Demons

DESPITE a sluggish start, a dominant third quarter allowed Inverloch-Kongwak to come home with another win on Saturday.

The Sea Eagles travelled to Koo Wee Rup to take on the Demons.

The conditions were wet and slippery, resulting in a highly contested game.

It was slow going in the first half with both sides struggling to make an impact on the scoreboard.

Both teams looked evenly matched out on the field.

It was Koo Wee Rup who was able to make the most of its opportunities and converted a couple of goals.

Inverloch-Kongwak were not on target and went into the second half with just eight points on the board.

However, after the halftime break, a

new look Sea Eagles side stepped out onto the ground to turn the game around.

The midfield stood up, led by Marcus Toussaint in the ruck.

Oscar Toussaint, Paul Pattison, Lachlan Scott and Andy Soumilas dug deep to get the game back on the Sea Eagles' terms.

Pattison and Scott both managed to score two goals each.

Other goal-scoring efforts were shared between Jobe Scapin, Tate Short, Oscar Toussaint and William Turner.

Scapin – who was debuting in the seniors – kicked his goal in the fourth quarter.

He is one of Inverloch-Kongwak's talented juniors who has been represented in the Gippsland Power side.

Jacob Strickland also played his first

club game in the seniors after a few years in the reserves and reaped the rewards of his efforts.

It was another tough slog to the end of the game, with both sides growing tired and starting to peter out.

Inverloch-Kongwak did what it had to do to battle it out until the end, coming away with a decent 40-point win.

The Sea Eagles will now take a week off for the bye and will start preparing for its next match against the Warragul Industrials.

The Dusties have been a dangerous side at times this season and are currently sitting seventh.

With its season on the line, Warragul Industrials will be endeavouring to make every post a winner over the next few rounds.

WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION RESULTS

RND 12

PHILLIP ISLAND FOOTBALL CLUB

KILCUNDA-BASS FOOTBALL CLUB

93 59

PHILLIP ISLAND KILCUNDA-BASS

Phillip Island 3.5 5.9 8.13 13.15 (93)
Kilcunda-Bass 1.0 2.1 4.7 8.12 (60)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Hayden Bruce, Jack Taylor, Marcus Wright 2, Yianni Caffierrri, Alex Duyker, Bryce Hindhaugh, Billy Taylor, Connor Thompson, Max Walton, Travis Woodfield 1 each

BEST: Hayden Bruce, Mark Griffin, Daniel Bourke, Jaymie Youle, Connor Thompson, Bryce Hindhaugh

GOALS, K-Bass: Anthony Daraio, Dale Gawley, Dean McRae 2, Dale Crawford, Timothy Gunn 1 each

BEST: Dale Gawley, Nathan Foote, Lochlan Scott, Sam Watson, Benjamin Eddy, John Mentiplay

RESERVES

Phillip Island 5.0 8.7 11.9 14.11 (95)
Kilcunda-Bass 0.1 0.1 0.1 2.1 (13)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Ladson, Thomas Niven, Brady Ross, Blake Thompson 1 each

BEST: Thomas Macrokanis, Jay Ladson, Ben Taylor, Kohen Beaumont, Kirby Fuller, Darcy Saw

GOALS, K-Bass: Trent Cartmel, Travis Stuckey 1 each

BEST: Scott Pugh, Angus McGillivray, Dylan Susic, Ashden Grenness, Blake Baker, Trent Cartmel

FOURTHS

Phillip Island 5.2 6.3 12.7 14.13 (97)
Kilcunda-Bass 0.2 2.2 2.3 2.3 (15)

GOALS, Phillip Island: Sam O'Garey 3, Blake Murphy, Tommy Newman, Dean Rizzo, Archie Ross 2, Felix Bathgate, Harrison Carlon, Joe Kelsey 1 each

BEST: Harrison Carlon, Xavier Williams, Sam O'Garey, Tommy Newman, Samuel Schuller, Archie Ross

GOALS, K-Bass: Rhylee Duell, Taye Prasad-Taylor 1 each

BEST: Taye Prasad-Taylor, Rhylee Duell, Riley Eden, Elijah McDonald, Ethan Findlay, Jasper Saunders

INVERLOCH-KONGWAK FOOTBALL CLUB

25 65

KOO WEE RUP INVERLOCH-K

Koo Wee Rup 1.1 2.4 2.5 3.7 (25)
Inverloch-K 0.3 0.8 5.15 8.17 (65)

GOALS, KWR: Dale Alanis, Luke McMaster, Nathan Voss 1 each

BEST: Zak Banks, Dale Alanis, Nathan Voss, Seth Ohehir, Nathan Muratore, Timothy Miller

GOALS, Inverloch-K: Paul Pattison, Lachlan Scott 2, Jobe Scapin, Tate Short, Oscar Toussaint, William Turner 1 each

BEST: Marcus Toussaint, Paul Pattison, Oscar Toussaint, Jordan Bertacco, Lachlan Scott, Andrew Soumilas

RESERVES

Koo Wee Rup 1.1 2.2 3.4 5.4 (34)
Inverloch-K 1.2 2.2 3.2 4.4 (28)

GOALS, KWR: Benjamin Miller, John Ramos 2, David Ramos 1

BEST: Brodie Yapp, Charles Taylor-McKain, Archie Whitta, Jesse Cammarano, Benjamin Miller, John Ramos

GOALS, Inverloch-K: Owen Fitzpatrick, Brayden Hone, Liam O'Neill, Maxwell Scott 1 each

BEST: Reegan Kemp, Dylan Taylor, Barry Withers, Patrick Jobling, Tyler Leonard, Sasha Allen

THIRDS

Koo Wee Rup 1.0 1.1 2.5 2.5 (17)
Inverloch-K 1.2 2.3 2.5 2.7 (19)

GOALS, KWR: Kynen Dore-Wilson, Seth Lawler 1 each

BEST: Seth Lawler, Bodie De La Rue, Jack Hughan, Luke O'Keefe, Kynen Dore-Wilson, Drew Simmons

GOALS, Inverloch-K: Rem Dal Pozzo, Cooper Newman 1 each

BEST: Zak Box, Lucas Allen, Rem Dal Pozzo, Caden De Alwis, Flynn Lomax, Cooper Newman

FOURTHS

Koo Wee Rup 1.1 1.1 1.5 1.7 (13)
Inverloch-K 3.2 4.6 6.7 10.11 (71)

GOALS, KWR: Joshua Saunders 1

BEST: Kynen Dore-Wilson, Jakeb Shuttleworth, Harley Monckton, Charlie Hughes, William Neill, Campbell Wood

GOALS, Inverloch-K: Augustus Finsterer 4, Harrison Foster, James O'Neill 2, Monty Mayman, Cooper Newman 1 each

BEST: Harrison Foster, James O'Neill, Arch Rayner, Frolely Anderson, James Martin, Augustus Finsterer

WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION LADDERS																ROUND 12				
SENIORS					RESERVES					THIRDS					FOURTHS					
	W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	pts		W	L	%	pts av		W	L	%	pts av	
Cora Lynn	10	1	266.98	42	Tooradin-Dal	11	1	682.30	44	Phillip Island	9	0	552.73	4.00	Phillip Island	11	0	841.88	4.00	
Phillip Island	10	1	193.17	42	Nar Nar Goon	10	2	435.02	40	Warragul Ind	8	2	259.51	3.20	Warragul Ind	9	2	277.38	3.27	
Nar Nar Goon	10	2	296.98	40	Cora Lynn	10	2	239.47	40	Nar Nar Goon	7	2	234.67	3.00	Nar Nar Goon	9	2	269.17	3.27	
Inverloch-K	10	2	259.03	40	Inverloch-K	9	3	287.90	36	Inverloch-K	7	3	205.57	2.80	Inverloch-K	8	3	293.87	2.91	
Tooradin-Dal	8	4	192.40	32	Phillip Island	8	4	269.70	32	Garfield	5	4	96.04	2.22	Tooradin-Dal	7	4	191.69	2.54	
Kilcunda-Bass	7	5	103.34	28	Kilcunda-Bass	7	5	147.74	28	Koo Wee Rup	4	6	109.57	1.60	Garfield	4	6	82.14	1.60	
Warragul Ind	5	7	98.50	20	Koo Wee Rup	6	6	121.65	24	Dalyston	4	6	88.01	1.60	Kor-Bena	4	6	76.44	1.60	
Koo Wee Rup	4	8	76.05	16	Garfield	4	8	67.66	16	Tooradin-Dal	3	6	67.58	1.40	Koo Wee Rup	3	8	61.30	1.09	
Dalyston	3	9	69.13	12	Dalyston	3	9	24.98	12	Kor-Bena	1	9	17.01	0.40	Bunyip	2	9	20.48	0.73	
Garfield	3	9	40.99	12	Warragul Ind	2	10	37.62	8	Bunyip	0	10	12.74	0.00	Dalyston	1	9	11.95	0.40	
Kor-Bena	1	11	36.06	4	Kor-Bena	2	10	23.02	8	Kilcunda-Bass	0	0	0.00	0.00	Kilcunda-Bass	1	10	18.00	0.36	
Bunyip	0	12	8.79	0	Bunyip	0	12	4.32	0	Cora Lynn	0	0	0.00	0.00	Cora Lynn	0	0	0.00	0.00	



Aislin secures her ticket for Paris

Aislin Jones is headed for Paris after being announced as part of the official Australian Olympic team on Thursday.

LEONGATHA skeet shooter Aislin Jones is excited to be announced as one of ten shooters to join the Australian Olympic Team in Paris at a ceremony at the Victorian Institute of Sport last Thursday.

It will be Jones's second Olympics after competing in Rio in 2016, however, this year will see her competing in both the Individual Skeet and the new Mixed Skeet Team event with Sydney-based teammate Josh Bell.

Aislin has competed in an exhausting

round of international and Australian events since winning a quota spot five months ago. As the outright winner of the selection series that took place at events in Brisbane, Sydney, Lilydale, Qatar and Azerbaijan Jones secured her ticket to Paris.

In addition to the individual events that secured selection, Jones and Bell won the bronze medal at the Baku World Cup Mixed Skeet teams event and finished just two targets from the finals in the Lonato (ITA) World Cup in June.

Aislin's individual performances in international events this year resulted in her being the only Australian in women's skeet to make the ISSF World Rankings and positioned her well into the top half of the field of 125 women holding ranking points for the Olympics.

Jones won three of the four Australian selection events, including her seventh National Championship.

"It's been stressful five months but I'm really pleased that all of the work I've put in over the last four years has come to

this," said Jones.

"I'm incredibly excited and proud to have made my second Australian Olympic Team! It's been a journey to get here but I've got my ticket and we're headed to Paris!"

And whilst Jones is elated to be competing in the individual women's skeet events on August 3 and 4, Australia is fortunate to have quotas in both men's and women's skeet.

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