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Reconciliation Week: Be Brave, Make Change

Organised by the Bass Coast Reconciliation network, over 120 people attended Sorry Day at the Nobbies, the start of Reconciliation Week events across the shire. At the smoking ceremony, Joseph Eiszele from the Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation and Meg Humphrys. Turn to page 21 for more Reconciliation Week coverage.

New community hospital plans well underway

Planning for the new Phillip Island Community Hospital is in its final stages.

Bass Coast Health CEO Jan Child said plans are in the final detailed design stage, and anticipates they will go on public exhibition within eight weeks.

The new community hospital on Phillip Island was pledged by the current state government prior to the 2018 state election, as one of ten new facilities to be built across Victoria.

A \$640 million overall budget was allocated.

Ms Child said a Community Consultation Committee (CCC) was established by the government as an advisory group for the development of the new hospital.

Representatives from this group have worked closely with the Victorian Health Building Authority and Bass Coast Health staff over the past two years on the project, Ms Child said.

The new double storey hospital is to be built adjacent to the Health Hub in Cowes, and has been described as a game changer when it

comes to the delivery of health services for Phillip Island.

Plans show chemotherapy and renal dialysis facilities and specific dedicated areas allocated for both mental health and paediatric patients.

A radiology precinct is included, enabling CT scans, Ultrasound and general X-ray services to be carried out in Cowes.

"That's the biggest game changer for us," Ms Child commented this week.


"We have to send a lot of patients from the

Health Hub across to Wonthaggi, particularly over weekends, out of hours and during holiday periods."

A much-expanded urgent care centre, and a pharmacy (not retail) is included in the design and the hospital will also have dedicated ambulance access and entry space.

A new main reception area will be created connecting clients to public meeting rooms, which health groups can access for education and other purposes.

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Oscar takes the plunge

Football mad 11-year-old Oscar Tuchtan is taking the plunge to raise funds to FightMND.

The grade 6 student at Newhaven College is on the field every Saturday afternoon umpiring in the WGFNC Seniors Competition for South Gippsland Umpires Association.

On Sunday June 12 he is taking his football dedication one step further.

Dressed in his umpire uniform and with whistle in hand, Oscar will take to the Big Freeze ice slide, as part of the community event being organised by the San Remo Hotel to raise vital funds for MND research.

His aim is to raise \$1000 for the cause and you can make donations at: hub.fightmnd.org.au/diy-big-freeze-8/oscar-tuchtan.

He's hoping everyone will jump on and support him and help FightMND.



Scan this QR Code to go direct to Oscar's fundraising page



Football fanatic, 11-year-old Oscar Tuchtan is taking the plunge to raise funds to FightMND on June 12 and is hoping the community will support his fundraising efforts.

A Big Freeze in San Remo

There will be ice-slides and footy auctions when the San Remo Hotel hosts the Big Freeze to raise money for MND on Sunday June 12.

While there'll be loads of fun, it's for a very serious cause, and manager Daniel Mock and his team are hoping to raise a lot of money to help find a cure for the devastating Motor Neurone Disease.

The San Remo Hotel is hosting the Big Freeze on Sunday, June 12 from 2pm - 5pm, to raise money to help find a cure for Motor Neurone Disease.



All the action will take place from 2pm - 5pm on the hotel's Bridge Lawn.

Around 3pm, footy fans will be bidding for a Melbourne jumper signed by Christian Petracca, and a Collingwood jumper signed by the whole team.

That will be followed by the main event - an ice slide that will see people plunge into an icy pool, all to raise money for this worthwhile cause.

Nominations for who will get the "Big Freeze" are still to be revealed, but we have it on good authority that manager Daniel and hotel owner Peter Williams will be making a chilly appearance!

Throughout the day there will be a barbeque, Karma Keg and a raffle, with MND beanies for sale.

So come on down to the San Remo Hotel and lend your support to this great cause.

The Big Freeze is organised by FightMND, co-founded by former AFL legend Neal Daniher.

The Big Freeze 8 returns to the MCG on Monday June 13, including a celebrity slide, during the Collingwood Melbourne clash.

It's time to Beanie On, Play on. fightmnd.org.au/



The new streetscape project builds on recommendations from the 2015 Cowes Activity Centre Plan (pictured) and involves a redesign of the Cowes commercial area and visitor activity hub in Thompson Avenue, from the Esplanade through to Church Street.

Major plans for new Cowes streetscape

Bass Coast Shire Council is about to embark on a new Cowes Streetscapes Master Planning project.

Hansen Partnership consultants were appointed by council early this year to draw up and develop a master plan for what will be a major project for Cowes.

The project builds on one of the recommendations to come out of the 2015 Cowes Activity Centre Plan and involves a redesign of the Cowes commercial area and visitor activity hub in Thompson Avenue, from the Esplanade through to Church Street.

Business operators in the Cowes commercial area were briefed on the streetscape project, and shown preliminary plans by consultants, at a meeting last week.

As key stakeholders, those present were asked to provide feedback on the initial concepts presented.

The feedback will inform further planning, and an opportunity for the community to provide feedback on the Masterplan will be available in late 2022, a council spokesperson said.

The Bass Coast Shire Council website describes the four major aims of the Cowes streetscape master planning project as:

- Connecting the township of Cowes to the foreshore area

- Reinvigorating the character of Cowes

- Connecting the two ends of town (The Esplanade to Olive Justice Place to the redeveloped Cowes Cultural and Community Centre which will open in 2023).

- And changing the transport modal hierarchy in favour of the pedestrian and sustainable mobility.

It comments that the streetscape redevelopment will respond to population and tourism growth by delivering an attractive social, dining and retail environment, prioritising pedestrian use, and generating investment and creating jobs.

engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/streetscapes-cowes

San Remo CFA takes up the challenge

San Remo Brigade is taking part again in this year's Push Up Challenge.

The Push up challenge is to raise awareness for mental illness and Push for reducing lives lost to suicide.

Five members from the brigade have taken up the challenge including team organiser Andre Chiaradia, his son Finn and brigade captain Mark Thiele, as well as brigade members Tim and Jack.

Between them, they've already completed 1929 push-ups!

The brigade put out a call

on its Facebook page, asking the community to help support its members who will "Push for better" and complete over 3000 Push ups in June, to represent the lives lost in 2020 to suicide.

You can support their efforts by heading to their fundraising page at www.thepushupchallenge.com.au/fundraisers/sanremofirebrigade

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New community hospitals plans well underway

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Another exciting, new (for Phillip Island) and very welcome facility will be the establishment of a public dental service in the new hospital.

"There are long waiting lists across the state for dental services, and we will have two dental chairs," Ms Child commented.

Publicly delivered services a priority

The day therapy centre where chemotherapy and renal dialysis will be delivered, is planned for the second floor at the rear of the site, with hopes that patients may even be able to enjoy a view of the bay.

Chemotherapy and renal dialysis services will be provided in an integrated unit, designed to make the most of the space available.

It is envisaged that services will run on alternate days, maximising the number of patients able to be treated.

An integrated unit could treat 16 cancer patients in four chemotherapy chairs on one day; and eight renal dialysis patients in two morning and two afternoon sessions the next.

Renal dialysis will also be available for holiday makers, enabling dialysis patients from elsewhere to enjoy time away and travel.

Radiation therapy will not be available at the new hospital, because the infrastructure requirements to safely deliver this treatment are extensive with underground bunkers etc, and the cost is prohibitive.

Ms Child said hopefully this service will be available in the future, in Wonthaggi, as the government establishes new sites in rural areas.

"We hope to position Wonthaggi Hospital as one of those sites. Our Clinical Services Plan considers this as a value add for our community in the longer term."

Two operating theatres are part of the plans, to accommodate an extensive day procedure program which will include colonoscopy and gastroscopy procedures, ophthal-



Minister for Health Martin Foley, with Jan Child – CEO Bass Coast Health, Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale, Don Paproth – Bass Coast Health Board Chair and Mim Kershaw – Bass Coast Health Board Member, at the site of the future Community Hospital in April last year.

mology and dermatology work, among other non-complex operations.

Currently local residents must travel long distances to access this level of health care.

A Central Sterilising Department will also be established to service both theatres and the dental unit downstairs.

Services maintained

Ms Child said all of the specialist services currently delivered at the Cowes Hub will be maintained.

She said most of the private specialist services delivered at the Hub have been converted to public services, so no out of pocket expenses are incurred by patients, and this will continue to be progressed across all specialty areas.

"A private specialist routinely involves out of pocket expenses.

"We are trying to convert all of our private specialist services to public services, as out of pocket expenses can be beyond the means of many in the community.

"As an example, all of our cancer and cardiology specialists are now publicly available.

"Our goal is to get all specialist services publicly available for the community by the time the new hospital opens in 2024."

The new dental service to be established

at the hospital will be a public service for healthcare card holders and disadvantaged community members.

Opening date

Ms Child estimates the hospital will open in late 2024.

The project has run to schedule to date, and she sees no reason for this not to continue.

Once the hospital is up and running, some of the current space at the Health Hub will be reconfigured to accommodate increased family violence and mental health services for Phillip Island, most of which are currently delivered in Wonthaggi.

A ground floor courtyard is planned to bring the outside in and for ambience.

"Covid has taught us a lot about utilising and connecting outdoor space," she commented.

She also said consultation had taken place with First Nation groups, to ensure the hospital design and landscaping is empathetic and is going to provide a culturally safe environment.

Geotechnical work will also be undertaken to ensure facilities on the hospital's ground floor are on the same level as the Health Hub, to ensure ease of access, especially for the disabled.

Plans advanced but no budget breakdown

Prior to the 2018 election, \$640 million was pledged for the construction of the ten new community hospitals, including Phillip Island.

However that announcement was without any individual breakdown.

When it comes to costings for the Phillip Island Community Hospital, Bass Coast Health CEO Jan Child said the individual budget is not known to the individual hospitals.

If the funds were to be evenly distributed, that would equate to roughly \$64 million for each new health facility. But costings are not explicit for each site.

Ms Child said of the ten hospitals, three or four were progressing more quickly than the others and the island facility is fortunate to be in the more advanced group.

"That side of the project is being fully managed by the Victorian Health Building Authority (VHBA)," Ms Child said.

"One thing I do know is that we have not missed out on getting anything that we have identified as needed for this area. Throughout the planning stages we have stated what is important to the community, and it is all delivered in these plans.

"We are designing a highly functional building that contains all our requested services, and we have asked the consulting team to focus on maintaining the scope of services rather than giving us an expensive flashy façade."

Ms Child said roughly 50 new health care jobs will be created when the new hospital opens.

The new hospital will be located next to the Health Hub in Church Street.

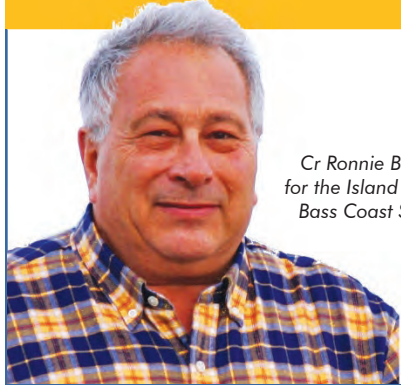
Bass Coast Council sold the land where the Phillip Island Community and Adult Learning Centre is currently situated to the state government for the hospital, and purchased a vacant site in Warley Avenue to relocate PICAL into new premises.

The VHBA is keen to get work on the hospital project started in August, but the new premises promised by council for PICAL look unlikely to be ready by then.

VHBA and PICAL are working together to address this problem, Ms Child said, with goodwill from PICAL enabling geotechnical work to go ahead.

"We are ready to get started in August, but we do not want to inconvenience PICAL. They are no less important than we are. The services they deliver are very important. We will keep working together to find a way forward to keep PICAL services and to start the work on the Community Hospital."

Don't hesitate to contact me, I am here to help.



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Deadly storm in Bass

WARNING: Some people may find details in this story distressing

A fierce storm ripped through Bass Coast on Tuesday night, bringing hail, thunder and lightning, with deadly consequences.

Kiana Eden and her partner, racehorse trainer Ricky Maund live on a property at Bass, which was at the centre of the storm.

Kiana believes their yard took a direct lightning hit which led to the death of one of their precious horses.

"The Bass football club light tower was struck by lightning, and we live just up the road from there," Kiana explained.

"We think it also hit our backyard."

She said the noise from the thunder was deafening, the ground shook and sparks came out of the power points in the house when the storm was at its peak.

Then an emergency call came from Kiana's dad Kent, who has a farm about one kilometre away, saying some of his horses had been hurt.

Ricky raced out to his vehicle, then discovered the devastation in his own yard.

Promising young racehorse Wildwood Road was dead in the driveway.

It's unclear if the thunder so frightened the two-year-old colt that it went through the fence, hitting it headfirst, or if a direct lightning hit threw the colt into the fence, breaking its neck.

Despite their own heartbreak, Ricky and Kiana, as well as her brother and sister all raced to her father's farm.

"My brother Shea, who lives in Corinella, is also a horse trainer and he agists some horses on dad's property," Kiana explained.

Arriving at the farm, they discovered their father's filly had broken her back colliding with the fence. The horse had to be put down.

Six other horses were badly injured while several more had superficial injuries.

The family spent the next four hours, trying desperately to get over a dozen frightened animals to safety, while the storm continued to rage around them.

One horse was so badly tangled in the fence wires it couldn't move.

In the wind and rain, the family worked desperately to free the tangled horse and then get all the horses under cover, so they could bandage the wounds and try to reassure and calm the terrified



Two-year-old colt Wildwood Road, was killed after lightning hit horse trainer Ricky Maund's property at Bass.

animals.

"It was really dangerous. We're out there trying to help a 500-kilo animal. There's the noise (of the thunder), it's dark, they're hurt," Kiana said.

"But once the adrenalin kicks in, you put your own safety on the back burner."

"Racing cops a lot of criticism, that we don't care for our horses. But we all risked our lives trying to save these horses that do mean the world to us," Kiana said.

Once the horses were under cover, Ricky and Shea worked until 2am, cleaning and bandaging the wounds, to keep the horses as safe as possible until the vet could treat them.

When the vet arrived the following morning, it took six hours to stitch up the injured animals, with the vet discovering several of the horses' hair had been singed by lightning.

Some of the injuries are potentially life-threatening, due to infection.

"They require ongoing care. We're changing the bandages two times a day and giving them pain relief," Kiana explained.

"The vet is coming every couple of days."

In shock

The ferocity of the storm and the extent of the damage, has left the family in shock.

"Dad has been a farmer at Bass his whole life," Kiana explained.

"He's never experience anything as bad as that. We've mainly had cattle, which don't take fright like horses."

"We were shocked at the devastation."

While Ricky and Shea are both professional trainers,

Kiana said the horses are more than a business to the

family.

"The horses do become part of your life, so losing one, especially to die in such horrific circumstances, has been devastating," Kiana said.

Particularly for the couple's three children, aged eight, 12 and 14, all students at Ne-whaven College.

"The kids have taken it really, really hard," she said.

"They see the horses every day and have had them around for so many years."

"The kids want to know why did it have to be our horses? There's a lot to work through."

The loss of the filly at her dad's farm has also hit hard.

"She was only a yearling and dad had gone through the process of getting the mare in foal, picking out the breeding."

"There's a lot of emotion when you foal them down yourself. You see them born and grow up."

As well as the trauma of witnessing the death and injury of their beloved horses, the family then had to notify the owners.

Wildwood Road was bred and owned by Michael Christian, an ex-AFL footballer, at Longwood Farm, and was just starting his racing career.

"To know a horse had potential and then to lose them, it's a shock to the owners."

"People love their horses, and it's always tough to break the news that a tragic accident has happened."

Many come with a big price tag – one of the injured horses cost \$180,000.

And even if the horses overcome their injuries, there is a cloud hanging over their racing future.

"The next morning, as we went around to feed them, they were very traumatised, and very spooked by anything happening around them," Kiana said.

"These horses may never race again."

For now, the injured horses will remain under the watchful eye of the vets from Station Street Veterinary Clinic in Koo Wee Rup.

They'll also be lavished with love by the family.

"As much as it is a business, at the same time, the horses mean the world to us," Kiana said.

"We like to look after them to the highest possible standard."

"Our horses have a dentist, a chiropractor, they get warm rugs on them in winter."

"It's a genuine love and bond."

Winter starts with a bang!

There was thunder, lightning, wind, hail and rain as winter turned it on last week.

According to the Bureau of Meteorology, we started June with an overnight temperature of just 4.8 degrees degrees and 36mm of rain. That's close to the entire rainfall of the previous month in 24 hours!

In fact, during the first five days of June, 47mm fell, more rain than in all of May.

And the cold temperatures also kicked in right away. So far, it has barely registered above 14 degrees, with two of the first five days between four and six degrees colder than last year.

Perhaps part of the icy shock was also due to a stint of warm weather in mid-May, including May 15 where the temperature almost reached 20 degrees.

Rainfall

Farmers had been praying for a wet autumn to set them up for winter, after the island recorded one of its driest Februarys on record.

In late April Ventnor sheep farmer and weather watcher Martin Grachan said farmers were hoping for decent au-



As the winter weather kicked in, strong winds brought down this Cypress tree branch in Thompson Avenue last week.

tumn rain in March to ensure pasture growth.

"We had a big hit one day in early March and then nothing," Martin said.

"We have been told rain is coming but we have been missing out quite a lot. Geelong gets it, Pakenham, and Leongatha but not here on the island."

Martin said an autumn break at this time of year was crucial: once cold temperatures hit pastures do not grow well or have nutrients.

"An autumn break usually gets everything going ready for winter, with seeds estab-

lishing. But if we miss that and the soil goes straight to cold then in winter it just gets waterlogged, and nothing grows. Grass will be green but won't have any goodness."

At the time, Martin said farmers were hoping for about 50mm before the end of April to turn the season around, and fortunately the weather gods delivered with 67.2mm falling that month.

After good rain in April – 67.2 mm compared to mean rainfall of 60.1mm – May rainfall was well below average. Just 40mm fell, compared to the mean rainfall of 75.2mm.

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So whether you just bought your house and you're new to chimneys, or you're an old hand at wood heaters, remember keeping it clean is an important part of chimney ownership.

Also, regular maintenance is going to prolong the usage of the appliance.

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No one wants to have to spend large amounts of money on chimney repairs, so when you think about the



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cost of a chimney inspection, remember it is much more expensive to have to repair it down the road, says Richie.

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Fox problems continue

The creation and maintenance of a buffer zone of low fox density around San Remo and the Anderson Peninsula to minimize the risk of foxes migrating on to Phillip Island has been in place for a number of years.

And obviously it is paying dividends. But it caused consternation for San Remo resident Paula Davidson last week, when she found a dead fox carcass on her three-acre property, almost certainly killed by 1080 bait.

Paula was aware through signage erected that 1080 bait was being used on the nearby San Remo foreshore as part of a fox eradication program.

She is also aware that it can pose a lethal threat to anyone who comes in contact with it, and to domestic animals and wildlife.

Concerned for her pet Labrador in particular, and the Wedge-tailed eagles that live in her vicinity and regularly hunt on her property, Paula wanted the carcass removed.

Assuming an authority baiting foxes in an urban area would be responsible for the immediate disposal of contaminated carcasses, she set about accessing this service.

By day three, with Parks Victoria unable to help and Bass Coast Shire Council not returning her call, the carcass was finally removed by the firm responsible for laying the baits.

Paula is pleased the carcass is gone and no longer poses a threat, but wishes local responsible authorities had responded more quickly.

Her Labrador had to be kept inside for two days and she was kept busy hunting away the Wedge-tailed eagles which are regularly over the property, for their own protection.

Fox alert

Foxes have been in the news of late, with Phillip Island on high alert after 24 hens were killed at Bimbadeen farm in Ventnor last month, shattering the island's fox free status,



San Remo resident Paula Davidson was relieved when help finally came to remove a 1080 contaminated fox carcass from her property.

achieved back in 2017.

Phillip Island Nature Parks rangers swiftly responded, and infrared surveillance cameras set up at the farm detected the fox again on the following night.

Prints and a scat were also found, confirming Reynard's presence.

Since then, traps have been deployed, and nighttime and detection dog surveys have been undertaken across the surrounding area, to try and locate and remove the predator.

The fox has continued to make its presence felt at Bimbadeen with repeated attacks including one where another seven hens were killed.

And it was spotted a week ago, just before

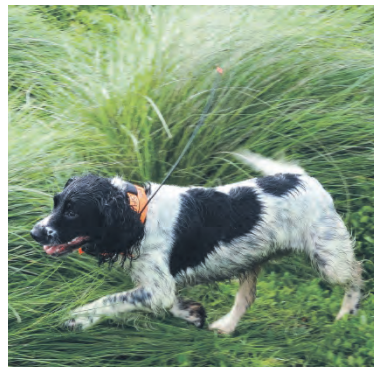
down in the Back Beach Road area.

The race is on in earnest to find it, with foxes the greatest land-based threat to the penguins on Phillip Island, and the island's annual lambing season starting this week.

Stuart Murphy, Vertebrate Pest Program Manager at the Phillip Island Nature Parks, said after the first attack PINP has been monitoring the Summerland Peninsula regularly to ensure the safety of the colony and there has been no evidence of fox presence in the area to date.

The community has been asked to report any fox sightings by calling 0419 369 365.

"A combined effort between the



Jazz the dog used by PINP rangers to track down foxes is being kept busy, with a fox loose on Phillip Island at the moment.

Nature Parks and the community will help us to capture this fox and remove the threat it poses to our little penguins, local wildlife and livestock, as quickly as possible," he said.

Phillip Island was declared fox free in 2017, after around 25 years of dedicated effort.

Ongoing measures since 2017 include establishment of a fox control buffer zone on the mainland at San Remo to reduce the threat of re-invasion.

A Foxcam was erected on the San Remo Newhaven bridge and it remains operational.

"While we don't know how the fox arrived on Phillip Island, we do know the Foxcam is operating well, and would have detected a fox crossing the bridge from the mainland."

Foxes have been known to swim significant distances in search of new territory and food, and it would not have been impossible for a fox to swim between San Remo and Phillip Island.

There have been historical accounts over the decades of this happening.

Tell us what you really think

According to recent research by Deakin University for the Australian Research Centre, people love their local newspapers, even those that don't read them!

The researchers surveyed people on Facebook and found that 64.5 per cent of people surveyed thought a printed copy of the local paper was an essential service.

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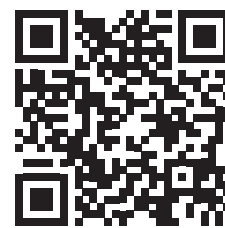
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Sand removal concerns at Anderson Road boat ramp

Local residents are alarmed at the huge amount of sand being removed from the beach near the Anderson Road boat ramp.

Bass Coast Shire Council is currently overseeing sand removal from the area which is being trucked to the Cowes East foreshore “as part of renourishment works to replace sand lost to erosion”.

Sand is regularly removed from the Anderson Road Boat Ramp Council CEO Ali Wastie said.

“This sand would normally be removed from the boat ramp and the directly abutting beach, below the high-water mark, as part of routine works to maintain sand from the boat ramp asset,” Ms Wastie said.

“Without this work there is a risk that boat ramp users would become bogged and the ramp could become unusable.”

Ms Wastie said the sand was being moved to the Cowes East foreshore where the new seawall is being constructed.

However residents say the amount being removed is far bigger than normal.

Michelle has lived in the street for over a decade and said she’s never seen anything like the current level of sand removal.

“The work starts about 7am in the morning and it’s been going on for two to three weeks,” she said.

“There is truck after truck. We are losing so much sand. When the tide comes in, the beach is eroding even more and it’s affecting the sea grass.”

She said residents were used to seeing work to clear the boat



Bass Coast Shire Council is currently overseeing sand removal from the Anderson Road beach, but residents are concerned the removal is excessive and potentially damaging the environment.

ramp, but what was happening now was “stripping the whole beach”.

“I’m concerned that this is causing environmental damage down our end – we are losing our beach.”

Michelle said she had contacted the council and was told someone would be in touch.

She wants to know if any study was undertaken on the amount of sand being removed.

“I don’t believe what they are doing could be good for the environment.”

“We have literally lost metres of sand off our beach. It is dug out so far – right back to the vegetation.”

Ms Wastie said there had been a significant build up of sand in the beach and dunes near the boat ramp over the past 10 years. “This has seen the edge of the

vegetation advance seaward by up to 18 metres, resulting in the development of a new sand dune and elevation of the beach level.

“Last week there was a storm surge event which saw the natural loss of a very small amount of the most seaward dune grasses. Given the ten-year period of sand build up, we are not currently concerned about impacts of wave erosion at the site.”

Fencing furore hosed down

Farmers will not need a permit for post and wire fencing under the new DAL Statement of Planning Policy.

In response to claims by Aaron Brown, who is running as the Liberal candidate for Bass in the November state election, the current Member Jordan Crugnale said there would be no such requirement.

In an article in last week’s Advertiser, Mr Brown said the proposed landscape planning controls for rural land were “unfair, unjustified and amounted to an attack on farmers”.

Mr Brown had described the post and wire fencing requirement as “city-centric bureaucracy at its worst”.

“The government plan not only covers new fences on farms but even covers fences which are falling down and in need of replacement,” he stated.

However Ms Crugnale refuted the claim.

“It is well known by Mr Brown and Victorian Farming Federation Bass Coast members that at the April 14 meeting I organised for them with DELWP representatives, that a drafting error was confirmed and that there is NO requirement for a permit for post and wire fencing up to 1.8 metres.

“Post and wire fencing will continue to be exempt, and this will be reflected in the final planning policy,” Ms Crugnale said.

“This was reiterated at the public briefings as well and I take umbrage with Mr Brown’s comments, fuelling an issue that does not exist.

“Let’s be clear that what is proposed is a planning permit for fences other than post/wire and post/rail up to 1.8 m in an SLO (Significant Landscape overlay).

“All the feedback from the DAL is being considered and we absolutely understand the important role of farming and value our farmers here Bass Coast.”

Ms Crugnale said the DAL was about protecting the unique characteristic of Bass Coast, ensuring clear town boundaries, as well as protecting vital agricultural land from development.

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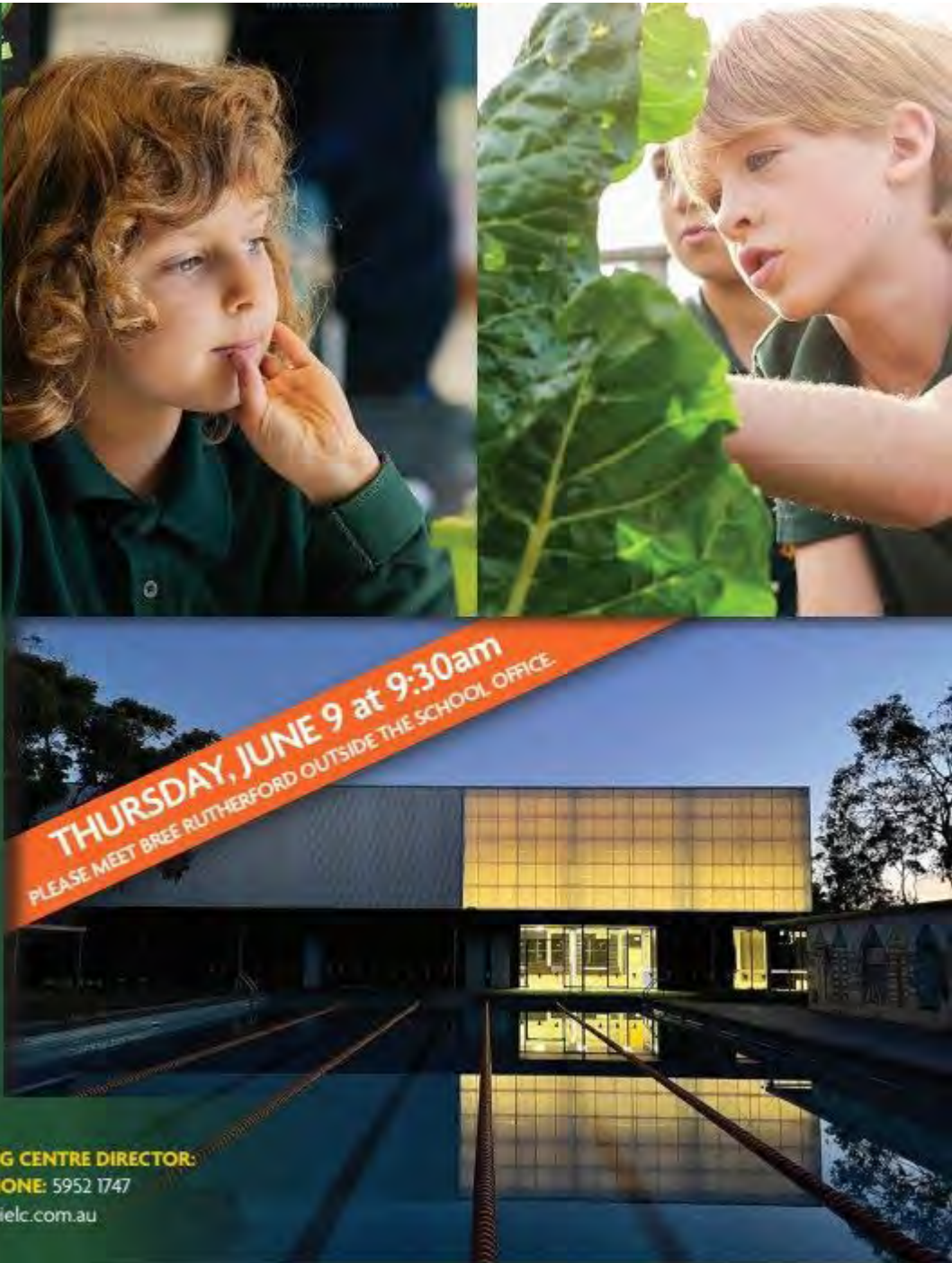
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A global public health hero

Phillip Island resident, Kylie Lindorff is the winner of a prestigious World Health Organization (WHO) award announced last week on World No Tobacco Day, for her work on tobacco control.

Kylie and her husband Brendan, who have owned a home in Silver-leaves for the last ten years, are well known locally as the new owners of the Turn the Page Bookshop in Cowes.

What is not as well known is she has a very successful career in global public health and still works part time (remotely) in this field – for Cancer Council New South Wales as the Senior Adviser, National and International Tobacco Control Policy.

Kylie was nominated by her global peers, but had no idea until WHO contacted her last week to let her know she'd won the award for the Western Pacific region.

Awardees were announced on the same day for the six official WHO regions around the world Africa, America, Europe, Eastern Mediterranean, South East Asia and the Western Pacific, for their accomplishments in tobacco control.

The awards are competitive and prestigious – with Kylie the only individual to receive one from the Western Pacific region.

Paul Grogan, a former chair of Cancer Council's national Tobacco Issues Committee, speaking this week, said Kylie's work in public health as a policy expert and advocate has saved tens of thousands of lives.

"Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death worldwide and is on track to cause one billion premature deaths this century since mass-production of tobacco products began," Paul said.

"People like Kylie Lindorff need to be recognised for what they do to



Public health hero Kylie Lindorff, of Turn the Page in Cowes, is the winner of a prestigious World Health Organization (WHO) award, in recognition of her work promoting plain packaging for cigarettes, and advising governments and non-government organisations in many countries about effective policies to reduce the death toll from tobacco use.

bring down that terrible death toll.

"When the Australian Government decided it would lead the world on plain packaging, the Department of Health recruited Kylie to work on the policy – because of Kylie's reputation for hard work, expertise and devotion to tobacco control.

"Kylie has since travelled the world promoting plain packaging

and advising governments and non-government organisations in many countries about other effective policies to reduce the death toll from tobacco use.

"On sheer numbers of lives saved, tobacco control is every bit as important as vaccines, sanitation, road safety and all the other things people tend to think of as public health.

"Kylie Lindorff is a public health hero and her efforts should be celebrated."

25 years fighting for tobacco controls

Kylie's career in tobacco control began 25 years ago and during that time she completed a Masters Degree in Public Health in Melbourne.

Kylie started in tobacco control in the late 90s working for the Heart Foundation in Northern Territory, focussing on the high smoking rates in Aboriginal communities. Since then she has worked in government and non-government organisations, state and federal health departments, for the Cancer Council and the Heart Foundation, always with a focus on tobacco control.

In 2010 she was seconded to the Federal Department of Health, eventually leading the team to develop Australia's then recently announced tobacco plain packaging laws. Kylie worked at the Department of Health in Canberra for 18 months on the legislation and continued to be integral to the legislation's success over the following years as the tobacco industry mounted various legal challenges.

It was incredibly intense, Kylie recalls.

"We knew the tobacco industry would come after us, that the plain packaging legislation would be strongly challenged. That it had to be watertight.

"It was a stressful time and there was enormous pressure to get it right.

"The world was watching, wanting a successful precedent so they could follow suit."

The Australian government faced three major legal challenges backed by the tobacco industry over the next 10 years against the legislation

... and won them all.

Australia led the way with the introduction of tobacco plain packaging ... and the world followed.

For five years after its introduction in Australia, Kylie worked intensely helping other countries, keen to follow Australia's lead.

She provided expert advice to France, England, Norway, Ireland, New Zealand and Canada to get their own plain packaging legislation up and running.

As of March this year, 23 countries have now implemented similar legislation.

It has made a huge difference.

An Australian government report estimated that in the first three years alone after plain packaging was introduced, Australia had around 108,000 fewer smokers.

When two out of three long term smokers will die early from tobacco caused disease ... that is a lot of lives saved in one country alone in a short period of time.

"It is pretty amazing to be involved in something like that," Kylie told the Advertiser.

"Plain packaging will save hundreds of thousands of lives around the globe. But there's still a long way to go in tobacco control.

"What people don't realise is that death from tobacco is still the leading cause of preventable deaths in this country, and the leading cause of cancer deaths."

E-cigarettes

The biggest threat to tobacco control is the tobacco industry, which now includes e-cigarettes, Kylie comments.

"They are predatory. They need to addict another generation of young people to continue to generate profits.

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These boots are made for walking

A \$42.2 million strategy could see a new network of walking, cycling and riding trails established across the shire.

The Tracks and Trails Strategy from Bass Coast Shire Council has identified 38 new trail opportunities to expand the existing network.

The council is now asking for community feedback.

The existing tracks are located in both coastal and urban environments. With 272 trails, covering 167km, the council said there are many opportunities for walking and cycling within the Shire.

According to the strategy, demand and appetite for trails is growing rapidly, particularly over the past two years, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Bass Coast Shire Mayor, Cr Michael Whelan said the draft Strategy aims to help council create township connections through its network of tracks and trails, to enhance the experience of residents and visitors in Bass Coast.

“The Strategy focuses on the identification of the existing trail network and any missing gaps it might have,” Cr Whelan said.

“In Bass Coast, we want to offer a connected and accessible trail network that supports active and healthy communities, showcases and protects the natural environment and encourages increased visitation to the region.

“Throughout the development of this Strategy, importance has been placed on trails that provide connectivity, health and wellbeing outcomes, accessibility, tourism and connection to nature.”

The Strategy has assessed the current network of tracks and trails throughout the shire and has identified 38 new trail opportunities to expand the local network and developed a priority framework.



A \$42.2 million strategy could see a new network of walking, cycling and riding trails established across the shire and Bass Coast Shire Council is calling for feedback on the draft proposal by July 1.

New trail projects were assessed based on set criteria and the overall score each trail received, determined the priority order and whether trails were classified as high, medium or low priority.

Island expansion

According to the report, Phillip Island currently has 20 shared use trails (43.3km), eight walking trails

and 102 beach access trails.

Expanding the trail network presents several challenges, including balancing environmental considerations and the lack of publicly managed land where new trails could be built.

The strategy also states a “large portion of the current trail network” is located and managed by other public land managers, such as Phil-

lip Island Nature Parks and Parks Victoria.

A foreshore trail from Cowes to Ventnor is one of four high priority projects listed in the strategy.

Medium priority projects for the island and surrounds include shared trails at The Esplanade in Surf Beach, Grossard Point to the Nobbies, Back Beach to Phillip Island Road in San Remo, Berrys Beach to

Summerlands, joining Phillip Island Road to the George Bass Coastal Walk in San Remo, Coghlan Road to Redwood Drive in Cowes, The Colonnades to Woolamai Beach Road in Cape Woolamai, Grossard Point to Cowes, Cowes to Pyramid Rock, Anderson Road to Thompson Avenue, Smiths Beach car park to YCW, Ventnor Road to Smiths Beach Road and Pump Track.

Trails like the Churchill Road coastal access, Grossard Point Coastal Access, Newhaven loop, Rhyll Inlet to Cowes-Rhyll Road and Berrys Beach Road/Troutmans Track were considered low priority.

The strategy states funding for the \$42.2 million project could potentially be sourced from grants from Regional Development Victoria, Sport and Recreation Victoria and the Federal government’s Building Better Regions Fund or Stronger Communities Program.

The cost estimates include a breakdown showing \$21.4 million for high priority projects, \$17.3 million for medium and \$3.5 million for the low priority projects.

According to the report, the shire has a “significant number of quality trails”, however improving the network would contribute to community health and wellbeing, as well as provide an extra tourism incentive.

“We want to hear from you, to make sure that we have the right processes in place to improve and enhance our existing network of tracks and trails across the Shire,” Cr Whelan said.

“Engagement with the community is crucial to this project and any feedback we receive will be critical in shaping the future of paths, tracks and trails within the Shire.”

You can see the full report and make a submission at www.engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/ttstrategy. Feedback closes on July 1.

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Islanders being left in the dark

Cowes residents are up in arms saying they're being left in the dark.

Peter Pillar lives in the Shearwater Estate and said he has been battling since last October to have the streetlight in front of his house repaired.

He said while AusNet responded promptly to his concerns, he was told some components of the light had to be repaired by Bass Coast Shire Council.

According to Peter, the parts were taken to a council workshop and have not yet been returned.

He said numerous attempts to contact the council have

had no results.

"I have continually contacted AusNet, only to be informed they are waiting on Bass Coast Council to repair components," Peter said.

"Recently I almost hit a pedestrian on the foot path in the early morning when reversing from my driveway.

"So again I contacted council reporting the incident and again no one was available to talk to and no call back as again requested."

On the weekend, Peter voiced his frustration in a post on the Phillip Island Community Noticeboard and attracted a flood of comments.

Residents reported lights out in Ventnor, Cape Woolamai, Thompson Avenue and San Remo, while an argument raged over whether the council or AusNet was at fault.

Peter told the Advertiser that an AusNet manager spoke with him and said Bass Coast Shire Council "don't care about streetlights" and there was a long list of streetlights not working, which were waiting on repairs to components by the council.

An AusNet spokesperson told the Advertiser while the company was responsible for maintenance of some streetlights on the island, "many new residential developments have non-standard lighting that is maintained by Council".

"AusNet does patrol Phillip Island for maintenance, but we encourage residents to report any streetlight faults to AusNet via our website: www.ausnetservices.com.au/en/Outages/Report-Streetlight-Faults.

"If the fault is within our network, we will work on fixing the issue as soon as it is reported to us."

Bass Coast Shire Council said it had contacted Peter direct and would not be commenting publicly on the issue.

Ongoing issue

In a letter to the editor this week, frequent visitor Corin Tay asked if "we are entering the dark ages", saying they were struck by the huge number of streetlights out in the area when they visited in late May.

In February this year, Cowes resident Vincent Smith accused AusNet of leaving the community in the dark, saying there were approximately 20 lights blown along Thompson Avenue between the Jetty

and the Phillip Island RSL.

At the time, AusNet said an inspection in December 2021 recorded 10 lights out along Thompson Avenue, most of which were repaired in early February, with the remainder

due to be completed by the end of the month.

Lights out can be reported online at www.ausnetservices.com.au/en/Outages/Report-Streetlight-Faults or by calling 13 17 99.



Cowes resident Peter Pillar said this light outside his house has been broken for eight months, with some components awaiting repairs by Bass Coast Shire Council.

Council Update



Draft Bass Coast Tracks and Trails Strategy 2022-2032

The draft Tracks and Trails Strategy aims to help Council create township connections through its network of tracks and trails, to enhance the experience of residents and visitors in Bass Coast.

The Strategy has assessed the current network of tracks and trails throughout the Shire and has identified 38 new trail opportunities to expand the local network. A connected and accessible trail network supports active and healthy communities, showcases and protects the natural environment and encourages increased visitation to the region.

Feedback received from the community will be critical in shaping the future of paths, tracks and trails within the Shire. For more information on the project and to make a submission visit www.engage.basscoast.vic.gov.au/ttstrategy.

Council Meeting - 15 June

Council's next meeting will be held at 1.00pm, Wednesday, 15 June 2022 in the Council Chamber, Bass Coast Civic Centre, Baillieu Street East, Wonthaggi.

In the interest of community health and safety, the Council Chamber will open to the public by RSVP only. Please RSVP to c.wilson@basscoast.vic.gov.au. The meeting will also be livestreamed. Join here: www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/2022meetings.

The agenda is released on Council's website on Friday, 10 June 2022 at www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/meetings. There is an opportunity in the Council meeting for public questions. If you would like to ask a question please submit your questions in writing no later than 1.00pm Monday, 13 June, 48 hours prior to the meeting.

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Annie Coleman's work on diversity and inclusion, including founding the WBSLSC's Pink Patrol was recognised with a special contribution award.

Lifesavers celebrated during National Volunteer Week

Life Saving Victoria (LSV) has recognised members from Bass Coast, Gippsland and the Peninsula for their outstanding achievements in operations, club services, development, training and sports during season 2021-22 at its Valuing Volunteers events.

Woolamai Beach Surf Life Saving Club's Annie Coleman received a special contribution award for her work with the club's Pink Patrol.

The celebration, which was one of three across the state, took place at Cape Paterson Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) on Saturday May 28 and was part of National Volunteer Week, an initiative by Volunteering Australia that recognises the invaluable contributions of volunteers across the country.

This included the gold, silver and bronze 100-plus patrol hours awards, which saw members recognised for the top 20 per cent (gold), 30 per cent (silver) and 50 per cent (bronze) of volunteer patrol contributions across the season.

Victoria's eastern clubs contributed 56,563 of the state's 169,164 patrol hours for the season, equating to 2356 days of patrolling the region's beaches!

Volunteers were also presented with special contribution awards. Woolamai Beach SLSC member Annie Coleman, received a special contribution award for membership and leadership development, for her work in diversity and inclusion, such as being one of the founders of Pink Patrol, which celebrates the significant contribution of women in lifesaving, as well as other inclusive patrol initiatives.

"I am incredibly proud of our work at Woolamai Beach SLSC to not only help keep the community



Volunteer lifesavers put in hundreds of hours each summer to keep the community safe. Members of Woolamai Beach Surf Life Saving Club were recognised, along with volunteers from Cape Paterson, Inverloch and Waratah Beach

safe on and around water, but also to build an inclusive space for our members so everyone can feel welcome at our club regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, race or background," Ms Coleman said.

"It is a privilege for me to receive this award, which is a reflection of the work of everyone at our club to recognise and value the importance of diversity and balance.

"I am so proud and thankful of the work my club has done this past season and look forward to what we do next."

LSV acting president Adam Alsbury congratulated all the eastern winners and thanked them for their efforts this season.

"It was wonderful to come together and celebrate the exceptional efforts of our volunteers and to put on our Valuing Volunteers event at

Cape Paterson SLSC to say thank you to them all," Mr Alsbury said.

"LSV's volunteers fill countless roles. From those in the red and yellow patrolling the beach, the people in administration working behind the scenes, the nipper instructors encouraging the volunteers of the future, to those flipping sausages on the barbecue every weekend, we couldn't save lives every summer without the collective efforts of every one of our 43,000-strong community.

"Although the winter marks a shift for our lifesavers, many of them will continue their training, planning and involvement all year round, so we thank everyone for their continued dedication to lifesaving."

Gold patrol hours were awarded to 13 Bass, Gippsland and Peninsula members, with 20 awarded Silver and 25 receiving Bronze awards.



Enjoying the volunteer appreciation afternoon tea held by Bass Coast Health were volunteers (from left), Robert Wyckelsma, Bonny Schalken, Chris Schalken and John Adamson.

Bass Coast Health celebrates volunteers

Bass Coast Health honoured its 197 volunteers at a volunteer appreciation afternoon tea at Silverwater Resort in San Remo last month.

The annual celebration was held during National Volunteer Week to recognise the volunteers who enhance the health services programs and grow its services.

Volunteers assist BCH in many ways: from auxiliaries to the San Remo Opportunity Shop, to transport driving, concierge services, fundraising and soon to commence, visiting, pet therapy and garden programs.

BCH CEO Jan Child said volunteers were treasured contributors to the health service and the community.

"We value our volunteers so much and are so excited to be returning more volunteer services after we placed these on hold during the Covid pandemic," she said.

BCH's auxiliaries include the Phillip Island Health Hub auxiliary, San Remo Opportunity Shop auxiliary, Inverloch Art Show auxiliary, Ladies auxiliary, and Inverloch Fundraising auxiliary.

"The 73 members of our auxiliaries raised a combined total of \$420,000 last financial year, working tirelessly to provide medical equipment for theatre, cancer services and our specialist clinics, along with food boxes for those in need in the community," Ms Child said.

Other volunteer roles include the Transport Team taking people to medical appointments and Meals on Wheels.

Concierge volunteers are the newest addition to the BCH volunteers, with 23 friendly volunteers meeting and greeting as clients enter BCH facilities.



Bass Coast Health Board Chair Don Paproth presents an award to volunteer Julie Kilgour in recognition of her 40 years of service to the organisation.

Volunteers also sit on the Community Advisory Committee and Consumer Health Information Committee.

"Their direction and advice on strategic matters is invaluable," Ms Child said.

Service awards were presented at the afternoon tea.

10 years: Fay Azzopardi, Nancy Brain, Rod Cameron, Cath Holman, Janine Morris, Denise Jefferies, Judy Newton, Christine Taylor, Sandra Thorley, Hilary Nicholson and Red Rodgers.

15 years: Jill Butler, Margaret Hender, Greg Main.

20 years: Elaine Inglis.

40 years: Julie Kilgour and Frank Garry.

If you are interested in joining this dynamic team please contact the Volunteer Support Team on 5671 3372 or email Mandy.Gilchrist@basscoasthealth.org.au.

Support for our volunteers

As recent coverage in the Advertiser has shown, volunteers are the lifeblood of the community and many services and organisations would not be able to function without them.

The state government has now launched a new volunteering strategy, which it says will help recruit volunteers across the community.

Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers Anthony Carabine said the volunteering strategy, backed by an investment of \$1.3 million would help recruit new volunteers following a 50 per cent decline in participation in 2020 due to the pandemic.

Volunteering is vital to the delivery of everything from essential services to grassroots sport.

"Volunteers are the backbone of our community," said Minister Carabine. "The volunteering strategy is a great step forward in creating a structured, long-term pathway for encouraging more Victorians to volunteer.

"There are thousands of volunteering opportunities available right now and there has never been a better time to give it a go."

Before the pandemic, about 2.3 million or 42.1 per cent of Victorians, volunteered with organisations in their communities.

In 2019, the economic value of volunteering was \$58 billion, with an average of 224 hours donated per volunteer.

As well as focusing on recruitment, the government said the strategy would help provide training, professional development and support and help provide volunteers with the same opportunities as paid staff.

Grants of up to \$80,000 are available to support local partnerships to re-engage volunteers, broaden the volunteer base and strengthen volunteering in local communities.

For more details and to apply visit volunteer.vic.gov.au/grants.



At Phillip Island Health Hub Auxiliary's Trivia Night during the members raffle draw were, from left, Amanda Drennan, Auxiliary President Wendy Williams, Secretary Gill Scrase, Treasurer Joan Gaunt, and Committee members Louanne Caldwell, Cheryl Overton and Peter Paul.

Nothing trivial about fund raiser

The Bass Coast Health Phillip Island Health Hub Auxiliary was thrilled with the success of its recent Trivia Night held at the Phillip Island RSL.

The event raised \$1145 for Phillip Island medical services.

The Auxiliary Committee said it was excited with the community support and is looking forward to

hosting more events over the coming months.

An Auxiliary spokesperson said its members are passionate about the new Phillip Island Community Hospital and will donate all profits from the fundraiser towards providing medical services and resources to the community hospital and the Health Hub.



This is a stunning property with an abundance of space, four bedrooms and two spacious living areas.

Family entertainer in prime beachside location

Rarely are homes listed like this one! Located in exclusive Chillingworth Road on an allotment exceeding 1600 square metres, this family home will suit those looking for quality and space just 180 metres from the protected bay beach.

This is a stunning property with an abundance of space and a long list of features (including NBN and north facing roof solar panels).

The property has four large double bedrooms, the master bedroom offers a full ensuite complete with spa and double vanity plus a large walk-in robe. The remaining three bedrooms have built in robes and are adjacent to a family bathroom, separate toilet and generous laundry. A home office could easily double as a fifth bedroom or nursery.

This well-proportioned home has two spacious living areas, a formal lounge and a sizeable open plan kitchen and family room with north facing windows. This light filled area

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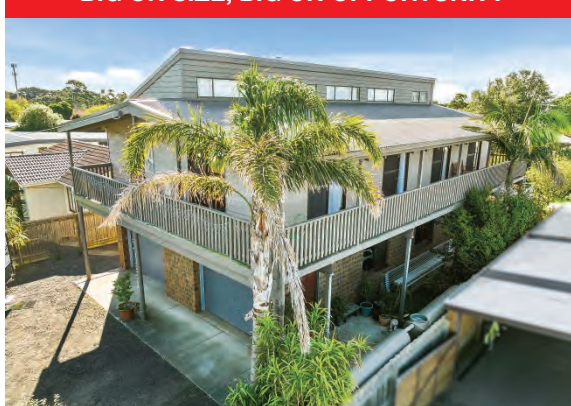
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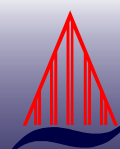
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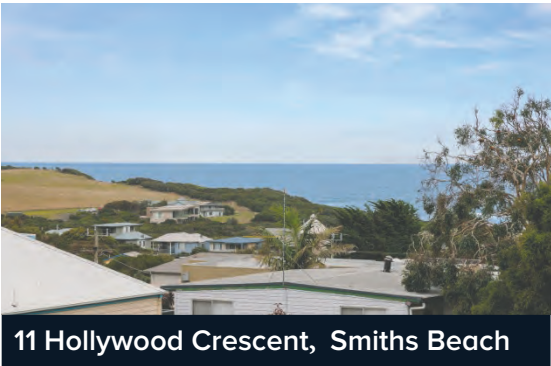
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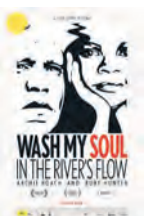
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Funding splash for community-based causes

Applications for sponsorship are invited from community groups, not-for-profit organisations, committees of management and sports clubs under Westernport Water's 2022-23 Community Support Program.

The annual program aims to strengthen communities by providing funding support for local events, activities or projects focused on the key themes of healthy people, healthy communities and healthy planet.

"We believe it's important that the initiatives and projects we support make an impact to our region, and support improved health and wellbeing outcomes for our people and the environment," said Dona Tantirimudalige, Managing Director of Westernport Water.

"Our Community Support Program has supported some great community causes, events and sustainability projects over previous years and I'm excited to announce that

we're making available a further \$35,000 under the program next financial year."

Westernport Water is accepting applications up to July 15, for projects to be delivered between July 1 2022 and 30 June 3 2023. Successful applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application in August 2022.

Recipients from previous years are welcome to apply; to be eligible you must have completed your previous project, including the required acquittal form.

Information on how to apply, including eligibility criteria, FAQs, application tips and details of past recipients can be found on the Westernport Water website.

"Westernport Water is a proud member of the community and over the past two years we have supported community-based causes with over \$70,000 under this program," Ms Tantirimudalige said.

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Phillip Island Early Learning Centre received sponsorship for their Bush Tucker Garden and Tank Installation in 2020-21.

Hope for the planet, at World Vision book launch

Phillip Island World Vision Club is holding an afternoon tea and book launch at the Newhaven Yacht Squadron on June 17.

The special event, from 2pm, is to launch "The Forest Underground: Hope for a Planet in Crisis" by world-renowned agronomist Tony Rinaudo.

Tony will be at the launch, sharing more stories of his work. Signed copies of the book will also be available to purchase.

Many locals attended a special World Vision lunch at the Bowls Club last winter, where Tony described his method of regreening land by reviving damaged trees rather than planting new ones.

It's a technique that not only alleviates poverty and soaks up carbon, but also costs almost 36 times less than planting trees from scratch.

This is not some green fantasy, said World Vision President Lynne Kharanda.

"Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) has, from small beginnings, already regreened more than 18 million hectares in 27 countries, reduced our carbon footprint and transformed millions of lives and livelihoods.

"The Forest Underground offers tangible hope for climate change, as well as a deeply moving account of one man's faith-journey.

"In a seemingly hopeless crisis, this is the good-news story that will move hearts and hands to care for the planet."

Phillip Island World Vision will provide a delicious afternoon tea.

All funds will be donated for Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration through World Vision.

Tickets are \$15. For tickets please contact Krishna Methven 0427 601 689 or Lynne Kharanda 0432 945 204.

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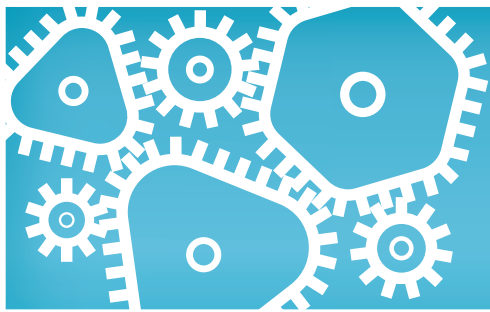
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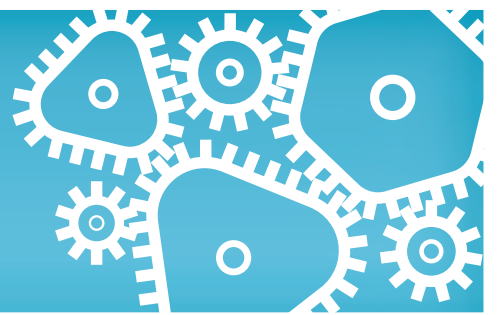
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A global public health hero

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“There’s a lot of online marketing. E-cigarettes are made in many fruit and lolly flavours, along with really appealing packaging and cool names, all designed to appeal to young people.

“We are currently trying to make sure the next generation of kids do not become nicotine addicts by being targeted and conned by the tobacco and e-cigarette industries.”

Kylie’s work currently involves lobbying government hard to further restrict the sale of e-cigarettes and to better enforce existing laws, which currently are poorly policed.

“Major supermarkets don’t sell them, but they can be found in many tobacconists, small outlets and on line.

“Most of those type of places are either knowingly, or naively, selling illegal products they should not be.

“There needs to be further restrictions on who can sell these products and much better enforcement of the laws already in place.

“Lack of enforcement is a huge problem.”

Kylie said in Victoria, responsibility for enforcement falls across a number of agencies, but none are doing enough.

“They are not prioritising this, and they should be,” she says.

“If kids were online ordering another type of illegal addictive drug in bubble gum or berry flavours, there would be outrage. There’s no difference.

“Authorities should be putting far more effort into enforcement of existing laws.”

The fight continues

A review is underway of major Australian tobacco laws, Kylie says, and there is a team of experts working on tobacco control in Australia.

“I work with amazing colleagues here and around the globe as well. “It is a huge team effort.”

Kylie said that she is fortunate throughout her career to have worked alongside committed and expert colleagues, and they have been able to save hundreds of thousands of lives through their effort.

She said eight million people around the world die annually of tobacco related deaths, around 20,000 of these in Australia.

Her work continues.

She is currently Chair of the Board of the global non-government tobacco control organisation, the “Frame-

work Convention Alliance” (FCA) which has its head office in Canada.

FCA works around the globe, with 350 member organisations, to encourage implementation of the WHO formal treaty the “Framework Convention on Tobacco Control” which was developed in recognition of the massive burden tobacco places on health globally.

Australia is a signatory to the treaty, Kylie says.

“Our job is to support our members to go back and work with their governments to assist with treaty implementation.”

Kylie loves her role and the work involved.

While it is “really rewarding” she also feels extremely disheartened at times, watching the tobacco companies continue to market and promote their deadly products, and fiercely fight any protective controls and legislation.

“It’s wrong, and I will keep fighting,” she says.

“I have no plans to give up. There is too much yet to be done. I would love to put myself out of a job. But that won’t be for some time.”

Turn the Page

Kylie and Brendan are thoroughly enjoying their new venture at Turn the Page, which they took over in January.

Brendan was a career secondary school teacher of 30 years standing in Melbourne, and was ready for a change of pace.

Kylie will continue her tobacco control work remotely, but on a part time basis.

“It’s working. It’s a nice change of pace.

“We both love books and reading. We jumped at the opportunity to take over the book shop.

“We enjoy the interaction with customers in our shop.

“We make people happy when they walk out of the shop with a good book under their arm.

“It’s very different to fighting for ten years to have legislation approved,” she smiles.

Kylie will celebrate her WHO award in Sydney in the near future with her colleagues at the NSW Cancer Council.

“It is an honour to have been given the award and lovely to have it recognised and to get a chance to bring people’s attention to the ongoing challenges, particularly with e-cigarettes.”



Last week’s Cowes Coastcare working bee completely cleared the foreshore from Mussel Rocks to the Cowes Yacht Club of the invasive sea spurge weed. From left: Andrew Cornthwaite, Regina Fox, Maurice Schinkel, Sharon Cornthwaite, Brian Carroll, Marilyn Shaw (Co-coordinator), Heather Liney (Co coordinator) and Luke Fricke.

Getting rid of sea spurge

Members of the newly formed Cowes Coastcare group were out braving the elements last month ... their mission to remove the notorious sea spurge weed from along the Cowes foreshore.

The group’s first project is the removal of this invasive weed, to allow the natural vegetation that has been choked out to recolonise.

Target area was the stretch of foreshore between Mussel Rocks and the Cowes Yacht Club ... and after a lot of effort, it was mission accomplished there.

The group plan to focus on the foreshore west of the Cowes Yacht Club at their next working bee, and say anyone who would like to help out or become a member is most welcome.

The group is well equipped, thanks to a Bass Coast Shire grant

which has enabled the purchase of equipment including spades, a shade structure, first aid kit and large sign advising that a working bee is in progress.

Protective glasses are also supplied as sea spurge can cause eye irritations through its milky latex sap.

Sea spurge is described as a significant environmental weed along many coastal areas in southern Australia, and it negatively affects native species.

However, it can be eradicated, as efforts to remove it from the Red Rocks foreshore about five years ago have proven successful.

Native species such as grasses, banksia and wattles are beginning to regenerate.

Co-coordinators Marilyn Shaw and Heather Liney say the project will be ongoing, as there is a lengthy

area to tackle, and vigilance will be needed in coming years to spot seedlings that will pop up.

They are inspired by the results at Red Rock, which they are now working to emulate.

They say sea spurge has been building up on local beaches, overcoming natural vegetation, since the 1930s.

The group has teamed up with Landcare to apply bio control to a small area, to observe the effect this may have on the weed and to evaluate its potential use along the local foreshore in the future.

They would love to welcome new members to help with their important coast care work.

If you are interested, call Heather Liney on 0414 880 146. You can also check out the group on its Facebook page.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



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Congratulations Jessica

I would like to take this opportunity of congratulating Jessica O’Donnell on her campaign and the results.

There appears to me to be a misconception within the seat of Monash that the Independent is responsible for the seat becoming marginal. Nothing could be further from the truth because if there had been no Independent standing those votes would not have gone to Russell Broadbent but to Labor which means that Labor could have won the seat but it also means that Labor made the seat of Monash marginal.

Well done Jessica.
Pauline Taylor, Cowes

In the dark

As a regular visitor to the Bass coast area, I wondered if we are entering the dark ages. Recently, arriving onto Phillip Island after dark, I could not help but notice the huge number of streetlights that are out. The Anderson and Newhaven roundabouts have lights out. The Newhaven roundabouts centre light pole has been laying in front of the Westernport Water office since my last visit some months back. The light over the pedestrian crossing on Thompson Avenue has not operated for many months. The V/Line stops at Newhaven, Kilcunda and Dalyston are in darkness. The highway entrance into

Wonthaggi has four lights in a row out; one pole was knocked over some years ago, they even removed the old pole, so no one notices?

There are many other lights throughout the district that are in darkness, does no one check? Is there not a duty of care by the supply authority to maintain the lights for the community?

Is it time for some action to keep the community safe and have lights maintained that the Bass Coast Shire Council, that is the ratepayers, are paying for?

Corin Tay, Melbourne

Reach out for mental health help

I write on behalf of the Mental Illness Fellowship of Australia to urge readers who are impacted in any way by mental health issues to reach out and get help.

It is now estimated there are least at 150,000 people nationwide with a severe mental illness who are not actually getting the critical support they need.

One in 100 Australians now lives with schizophrenia. A massive 50 per cent of people with schizophrenia don’t get the help they need.

Too many of these people end up in emergency departments. They also end up at a very serious risk of homelessness, poverty and social

isolation.

Recent research reveals people who live with psychosis experience higher rates of heart and kidney disease, stroke, epilepsy, diabetes, arthritis and more.

People with mental health issues are some of our most vulnerable Australians. We are calling for more community mental health support. It is badly needed.

We have a key network which is free of charge and works to help people. It’s simply called The Finding North Network. It’s a place where people with first-hand experiences of mental illness can connect as a community. It is a place to share experiences and discuss ideas. It is safe and secure. It’s a growing on-line community of people who want to help others.

To find out more, go to finding-northnetwork.com.au.

We want to stress, there is help available from GPs, psychiatrists, allied health professionals and community mental health organisations. There is still way too much stigma around the topic of mental health. It needs wiping away.

We all need to accept severe mental health conditions should be viewed like any other illness. They are ultimately an illness and help is out there.

Tony Stevenson, CEO, Mental Illness Fellowship of Australia

Not on the fence

Two months ago, the state government distributed a draft Bass Coast Statement of Planning Policy clearly outlining proposed landscape planning controls. Many of the government proposals will adversely affect farmers in Bass Coast and as a local farmer and fencing contractor I have taken a close interest in the government’s proposals.

The document was drafted by officers from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and without doubt, this document would have received close scrutiny by government prior to release.

Amongst issues of great concern to farmers was the following on page 22 and I quote direct from the document: “A permit is required to construct a fence. This does not apply to a post and rail fence up to 1.8 metres in height” On May 18 the major rural paper in Victoria, the Weekly Times ran a front-page story headlined, Farms Under Fire and highlighted amongst other things, the requirement for farmers to gain a permit before building a fence on the Bass Coast. Many concerned farmers in Bass Coast contacted the Liberal Party Candidate for Bass Aaron Brown asking him to take up the matter on their behalf which he certainly did. As a result, the present local Labor MP for Bass Jordan

Crugnale responded by saying that the requirement to obtain a permit for a farm fence was, and I quote, “A drafting error”. It was no drafting error. Knowing Jordan Crugnale is under serious challenge, the government have clearly moved to kill off their clumsy attempt to make farmers obtain a permit before building a farm fence and in doing so have effectively thrown the public servants from DELWP under the tractor. How pathetic. Instead of effectively accusing DELWP public servants of making a “drafting error” she should have been honest enough to admit the government have withdrawn this totally unreasonable proposal. This is not the end of the matter and I understand Mr Brown is pursuing the other issues of great concern to local farmers. Well done Mr Brown, keep up the good work.

Tim Richards, Glen Alvie

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Acknowledging the past for a brighter future

In a show of solidarity, the community came together for National Sorry Day to share stories, learn, heal, and explore how to move forward in truth and understanding.

Organised by the Bass Coast Reconciliation network, over 120 people attended the event on Thursday, May 26, at the Nobbies Ocean Discovery Centre to acknowledge the strength from survivors of the Stolen Generations and their families who carry with them grief and ongoing impacts with them today.

The event was opened by Traditional Owner Auntie Sonia Weston and Joseph Eiszele from the Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation with a personal introduction to country and a customary smoking ceremony to cleanse bad spirits from the past for a better future.

The inaugural National Sorry Day was held in Australia on May 26, 1998, one year after the first "Bringing Them Home" report, an inquiry into the past policies that led to the removal of children from their families and communities.

While this date carries great significance for the Stolen Generations and their families, it is also commemorated by Australians right around the country.

Event host Patrice Mahoney OAM, said Sorry Day is the hardest day for Aboriginal people apart from January 26, explaining that Sorry Day is like the "funeral" and National Reconciliation Week is like the "wake".

"This day is about you coming into our space; this is a culturally safe space, a space held by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples, and today is about you coming into our space and listening to our life experiences and history, which can be hard to voice," said Patrice.

Uncle Anthony Egan, Auntie Doseena Fergie, and Auntie Beverly Munro, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, bravely shared their life experiences of racism, losing their connection to family, identity, and culture. Grief that continues today.

"At 61, I'm still learning about my family lineages and connections to my grandmother, who I finally found out about last week, after 20 years of searching," said Uncle Anthony.

"The importance of getting mob together is how I finally confirmed the

last part of my family tree, of a multi clan family, Bunurong-Trawlwoolway.

"Self-taught about culture from eight years old, my mother feared as I did school projects and drew pictures of boomerangs, spears and Aboriginal people."

Auntie Bev Munro said generations of her family have been impacted by the Stolen Generations.

"My great-great grandmother was taken in the 1850s and some of her children were also Stolen Generation including my great grandmother. From my mother's generation, there was a denial and trying to hide their Indigenous heritage, I didn't know that I had Indigenous heritage until I was 15," said Auntie Bev.

"Help us make everyone else aware that there are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in this community who are brave, resilient, and very strong. I thank you all for being here and supporting us, and I ask that you continue to support us and join us on our journey, as I said, we are all on this journey together," said Auntie Bev.

Gunaikurnai Aboriginal singer/songwriter Paul Patten performed at the event and shared his own family story.

"This is an original song about my grandmother who passed, it's called 'Strong Black Woman'. The words Strong Black Women represent the women in our community, they are our matriarchs, our aunts, our sisters, and mothers who keep our families together and strong."

This year, the National Reconciliation Week (NRW) theme is Be Brave. Make Change a challenge; to Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation and to Make Change for the benefit of all Australians, change starts in your daily life – where you live, work, play, and socialise.

The Sorry Day event was put together by members of the Bass Coast Reconciliation Network in collaboration with the community.

The Network invites who invite everyone to come together this NAIDOC week in July, for a Reconciliation Bridge Walk that was postponed during National Reconciliation Week due to poor weather.

For more information: www.bass-coast.vic.gov.au/reconciliation



More Reconciliation Week photos at pisra.com.au

In a show of solidarity, the community came together for National Sorry Day to share stories, learn, heal, and explore how to move forward in truth and understanding. Back: Ewan McLeod, Thomas Nixon, Anne Eggleton, Safina Stewart, Michelle Isles, Sonia Weston, Suzie Besterbreuer, Leslie Adams, Paul Patten, Patrice Mahoney, Geoff Russell, Jenny McMillan. Middle: Florence Hydon, Auntie Doseena Fergie, Auntie Ada Hume, Auntie Bev Munro, Uncle Anthony Egan, Dr Marg Lynn. Front: Camille Monet, Sally O'Neill, Kate Adams, Rosanna Martino.



Rebecca McIntosh, Safina Stewart and Sorry Day host, Patrice Mahoney OAM.



Dona Tantirimudalige MD Westernport Water, Meg Humphrys, Geoff Russell and Jess Deery.

Newhaven College's Reconciliation Week

Students and teachers at Newhaven College came together to recognise National Reconciliation Week with a series of events and activities.

The College said, at its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians. The National Reconciliation Week 2022 theme, "Be

Brave. Make Change", is a challenge to all Australians to Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can Make Change for the benefit of all Australians.

At Newhaven College Reconciliation Week was recognised by a number of events throughout the school including assembly items, pledges and activities. This was highlighted by a school wide Long Walk on

Thursday morning as a sign of support and solidarity for the reconciliation movement. Newhaven College has a dedicated Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) committee, led by Grade 4 teacher Fiona Smart, and is committed to ongoing efforts to embed the principles of reconciliation and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.



Billy Kimber, Luca Cohoe, Coco Russo, Mila Potter and Reagan Welsh proudly display their heart pledges that symbolise an individual commitment to achieving reconciliation in Australia.



Ella Sibson and Ruby Pedersen lead the way as students from all year levels participated in Newhaven College's Reconciliation Week Long Walk last Thursday.



Newhaven College students from all year levels participated in the Reconciliation Week Long Walk.



Seb and Memphis listening to a Reconciliation Week play list featuring Indigenous music



Chilli & Charlotte contributing to the Reconciliation Walk banner, which will be carried at the walk in July.

San Remo campus acknowledges Reconciliation Week

Bass Coast College San Remo Campus has acknowledged Reconciliation Week in their classrooms, mentor groups and lunchtime activities.

Some of the activities included students exploring indigenous musicians and analysing the messages in the lyrics.

All students contributed to creating a banner for the Reconciliation Bridge walk which will now be carried at the walk in July.

The Reconciliation Week theme continued in the school library, with indigenous authors and stories featured and Indigenous movies shown at recess and lunch.

Mentor groups worked on activities based on the purpose of Reconciliation Week and ways in which it can be celebrated. Students decorated the rooms with handprints and messages about the importance of reconciliation.

On June 16 Bass Coast College will hold a Campfire Conversation for Indigenous families and their supports.

The focus of this discussion is Self-determination in Education.



Scarlett, Rebecca and Heidi with the Reconciliation Week banner.

Exploring our past during Reconciliation Week

By Amy Woolford and Mackenzie Luz, students at San Remo Primary

This past term we have been learning about First Australians and Reconciliation Week. In grades 4/5/6 we have been looking at a variety of things such as, The Wave Hill Walk Off, a book called The Rabbits, songs, a book called Digger J Jones, and researching facts about the Stolen Generation.

Lately we have been listening to songs. One of them is called "From Little Things Big Things Grow" by Paul Kelly. It is about the Wave Hill Walk Off and Vincent Lingiari and Lord Vesty. Two hundred Gurindji stockmen, house servants and their families "walked off" the Wave Hill Station. The strike protested the poor conditions Aboriginal workers had experienced for years.

A couple of weeks ago we started reading a book called Digger J Jones which is set in 1967. It's about an Aboriginal boy whose brother died in the Vietnam War. Digger has to deal with racism at school and in his town. He lives up in Melbourne and his dad is white and his mum is black. In the book Digger and his family march to make Aborigines proper citizens in the 1967 referendum.

On National Sorry Day we listened to "They Took the Children Away" by Archie Roach. It was about the Stolen Generation and how the white people took the indigenous children. We also watched and listened to "The Children Came Back" by Briggs and Gurrumul which is a continuation and it is a much happier song. We looked up a famous Aboriginal person mentioned in Briggs' song.

My group looked up Gavin Wanjaneen. Other groups looked up Cathy Freeman, Adam Goodes, Les Briggs. Paul Briggs, Fitzroy, Doug Nicholls, Archie Roach, Jimmy Little, William Cooper and heaps more. We found out loads of facts about each person.

We read some other books too like "Somebody's Land" which was about when the white people came and called Australia Terra nullius. We also read a book called "The Rabbits" which was about when the white people came and took over the land. In the pictures the white people were the rabbits because rabbits were invaders.

All students in our classes have really enjoyed learning about First Nations people and Aboriginal culture through stories, songs and videos.



Amy Woolford and Mackenzie Luz hold artwork that will go on bins at San Remo Primary School.

'It's Okay Not to Be Okay'

B Grade

This week the Tooradin FNC were having an 'It's Okay Not to Be Okay' round, raising awareness for mental health.

This particular cause has significant meaning to the B Grade girls with vice-captain Tessa Johnston having family connections to the organisation, making the game that little bit more meaningful.

Going into the game, the Island girls knew they were up for another challenging game.

Angles were cut, don't argues were given and fabulous sherbet fizzes were devoured post game.

The girls worked hard at training on set plays, aggression for the ball and strong passages of play down the court.

It was fantastic to see them play out with accuracy and patience several times during the game.

The girls fought hard each quarter, making it a battle right till the end.

Unfortunately, Tooradin were able to get a small break and come away six goal winners at the final siren.

The girls should be so proud of the way they approached the game, putting into practice all that they have been working on.

We are going to continue to grow each week which is incredibly exciting as we enter the second half of the season.

Next week will be Mental Health round where awareness, education and conversations around this important topic will be highlighted at training and on game day.

The B Grade girls would like to remind others that it's okay not to be okay and to please check in on your mates and reach out if you need support.

Final scores: Tooradin 53 def PI 47.

Best on awards: Lily Huther, Janelle Smyth, Maddy Taylor and Amber Formosa.



C and D Grade netballers. C Grade had a good win and D Grade just lost by three points against Tooradin on Saturday.

C Grade

Even though the sun was shining, it was a fresh morning at Tooradin Football Netball Club.

As both C and D Grade were playing at the same time this week, we were able to warm up all together.

It was lovely to have fun and get ready for competitive games with the PIFNC C/D FUN Squad!

C Grade took the court with a big and firm pep talk from our Team Manager, Pete.

The Island girls knew if they want to be finals contenders, they have to go out there and win the game.

The young gun, Bella Santorini, starting off in GA.

Despite the physical start to the game, Bella more than held her own.

The scores were close by the end

of the first quarter, so there were no changes to the side, and the team knew they had to kick it up a notch.

Rose Van Rooy was in WA playing what could be her best game of the season.

Rose was attacking the ball, applying defensive pressure, and working so hard on the ring!

The defensive pressure down the court, and especially in the Islands defensive end was incredible, and it was great to see Chloe Moxey (GD) and Abbey McCaughan (GK) finding their groove and working so well together.

The superstar Nikki Williams had so many intercepts throughout the game in WD, which was symptomatic of our great intensity and pressure.

The C Grade, Captain Steph Krain-

er (C), never disappoints with her defensive pressure and ability to attack the ball.

Steph's ability to bring the ball into the ring is such an asset to the side.

The graceful GS, Katelyn Jones, just moves and adjusts to whomever she is shooting with.

Katie's ability to catch balls that aren't always to her advantage really is a sight to see!

Chloe Kalis (GA) and Ruby Formosa (GD) came in during the third quarter, and both adjusted to the play, and how the team was working. C Grade is so fortunate to have such a versatile team!

The final scores were PI 33 def Tooradin 14.

Best on: Niki Williams, Chloe Moxey, Rose Van Rooy, and Isabella Santorini.

D Grade

D Grade came out firing.

A close contest and some very exciting play.

With goal for goal changing the leader's minute by minute.

In the final quarter we let Tooradin sneak in front with the final score 38 Tooradin - 33 Phillip Island.

The best players were Maya, Lilly, Hayley and Grace.

U15s

It was a competitive first quarter, with Tooradin defence super strong. Tooradin overturned passes and kept our shooters working hard.

At the end of the quarter Tooradin took the lead by one.

With a bit of a shuffle with positions in the second, our girls found more confidence and settled their play.

Still a close game, however we ended up with the lead by two at half time.

Third quarter the Island girls found great momentum and our goals dropped nicely.

Everyone connected perfectly and the Island took a prominent lead by 12.

The fourth quarter continued with more great play; our strong defence kept Tooradin score to a minimum.

Beautiful court linkage brought the ball through the mid and into the shooting circle.

A great team effort win 32/13.

U11s

The Phillip Island under 11s played a really tough game against Tooridan.

Scores ended up being Phillip Island 4 Tooridan 15.

All the girls did such a great job out on the court and tried their best.

The award winners this week are Ciara Santorini and Macy Piera.

Amazing job again girls.



From left: Harvey Paterson (11), Jarvis McDonald (12) and Myles Cromie (12) of Newhaven Primary School. Jarvis came across in 9th place and will represent at State Level July 14 at Yarra Glen.



Kate McCausland from Cowes Primary School had an amazing result and came first in 11 girls Regional Cross Country last week and will be competing in the State level event in July.



From left: Jarvis McDonald (Newhaven Primary) placed 9th, Lukah Fawaz (Newhaven College) placed 17th and Myles Cromie (Newhaven Primary) placed 30th, in the very fast paced 12/13 years category out of 48 competitors.

Regional Cross Country

Regional Cross Country was held last week in muddy conditions, but under sunny skies, at Lardner Park.

The top 12 runners from each age division at May's Divisional meet competed, with the top 11 place getters today going through to State Level competition in the Yarra Valley on July 14.

With a strong race pace in all age groups, there were three first place wins: Baia Pugh from Bass Coast Secondary College (15yrs), Autumn of Bass Valley Primary (9/10yrs) and Kate McCormack from Cowes Primary

(11yrs). A second place to Finn of Bass Coast Secondary College (12/13yrs) and a third to Toby Chaliner of Bass Coast Secondary College (17yrs+), with 19 students going through to represent our local schools at the state level event.

State level will be held at Yarra Racing Club in Yarra Glen on July 14.

Amazing results and congratulations to all that competed at this high level.

Local results

Girls 9/10yrs PS 2km: 1st Autumn - Bass Valley PS,

6th Ella - Cowes PS and 12th Ivy - Newhaven College.

Boys 9/10 PS 2km: 9th Ferguson - Cowes PS and 14th Jett - Newhaven College.

Girls 11yrs PS 3km: 1st Kate - Cowes PS.

Boys 11yrs PS 3km: 14th Jarrah - Cowes PS and 20th Harvey - Newhaven Primary.

Boys 12/13 PS 3km: 9th Jarvis - Newhaven PS and 30th Myles - Newhaven PS.

Girls 12/13yrs SC 3km: 6th Mabel - BCC and 11th Coco - BCC.

Boys 12/13yrs SC 3km: 2nd Finn - BCC, 6th Archie - BCC and 11th Jasper - BCC.

Girls 14yrs SC 3km: 8th Maeve - BCC and 15th Abbey - BCC.

Boys 14 yrs SC 3 km: 8th Billy - BCC.

Girls 15yrs SC 3km: 1st Baia - BCC and 5th Macy - BCC.

Boys 15yrs SC 3km: 4th Noah - BCC, 5th Oliver - BCC and 18th Jesse D - BCC.

Girls 16yrs SC 3km: 14th Allanah - BCC and 18th Courtney - BCC.

Boys 16yrs SC 3km: 6th Fletcher - BCC and 8th Calum - BCC.

Boys 17-20yrs SC 5km: 3rd Toby - BCC.

Phillip Island Bridge Club results

Monday, May 30 was the third and final week of the club pairs champions.

Winners on the day were Hannah Martin and Maureen Stiles with an impressive 69.27 per cent.

Moya Crowley and Michael Dooley followed with 60.42 per cent and Anne Gibson and Lois Dwyer came third with 59.38 per cent.

Over all champions for the event were Deb Anglim and Greg Nicholson on 61.82 per cent.

Anne Gibson and Lois Dwyer came second on 53.28 per cent, and Moya Crowley and Michael Dooley finished

third on 49.77 per cent.

Wednesday, June 1 saw winter arrive with a blast, so what else to do but play bridge.

Five tables of players braved the elements.

The top three pairs on the day all achieved above 60 per cent.

Leng Haggith and new member Caroline Shaw came first on 65.74 per cent.

Greg Nicholson and Paul Waylen were second on 62.96 per cent.

Third place went to Marion Wellwood and Moya Crowley on 60.65 per cent.

A big thank you to Moya for filling in for Marion's partner who was ill.

Tenpin results

Current ladder 2s Company: 1st on 26pts Him & Her, 2nd on 24pts Ally Cats and 3rd on 22pts Pinheads.

ABL (Almost Bowling Legends): 1st on 173pts Pin Pals, 2nd on 170.5pts Just Bowl Already and 3rd on 167pts Storm.

Business Early: 1st on 13pts Turkey slappers, 2nd on 11pts Happy Hour and 3rd on 11pts Ballz Deep.

Euchre results

Ladies Winner: Phyllis Staples 7 wins.

Men's Winner: Les Walton 7 wins.

Encouragement Award: Tony Fallon

Please contact Bob Hee for

Business Late: 1st on 14pts Holy Splits, 2nd on 12pts Coles Cows and 3rd on 10pts S&R Clarke Auto.

Phantom: 1st on 23pts Falcor, 2nd on 21.5pts Blondie and 3rd on 21pts Strike it Lucky.

Top scorers this week: Women: Falcor 178, Jacque Kent 166 and Tricia Niessink 150.

Men: Justin Porthouse 232, Rob Wilkinson 217 and Matthew Clarke 213.

Island girls back on track

Almost back to full strength this week and playing at home with Phillip Island Blue and the Veterans, the Island girls were keen to put on a good show for the crowd.

Welcoming Miki Leary in for her first game the Island girls were up and about early. Ahlee Penry was dominant in the ruck giving the Island girls first use of the ball from the centre. Lexi Walton was everywhere and getting great support from Bella Gude.

A number of Island girls were helping out the opposition by playing for them and Alaska Dixon was winning plenty of ball for the other team.

The Island girls had plenty of attempts in the first quarter but were struggling to hit a target up forward.

They were dealt an early blow when Jorja (Jorga) Newman went down with an ankle injury and Ash Weisse came off second best in a tough tackle. Both players sat out the remainder of the game.

In the second quarter Lexi Walton was moved forward to help drive the ball a bit deeper into attack and it didn't take long to pay off with Lexi driving the ball through the big sticks for the Island's first goal.

The game then seemed to open up and the Island piled on two more goals for the quarter, with a silky snap from first year player Lily (Elbow) Bow.

Keeping warm was hard to do on a day like this so the girls were rotated around into a number of different positions to keep warm.

Kara (Sweaty) Moschetti, Bella Gude, Zoe Carr and Qiarshi (Q) Adams continued their



The Youth girls had a huge win on the weekend and enjoyed playing on their home ground.

great form providing plenty of run and link up play for the team.

Mackenzie Wain and Jade Ricardo dominated the play all over the ground, cutting off numerous attacks and continually driving the ball forward.

The final quarter saw the girls really assert their dominance.

Sienna Steiner having a run up forward continued her great form from the previous week, while Gisele Smith, Alaska Dixon and Mia Boost provided great forward pressure to keep the ball in the forward fifty.

Highlight of the game was a strong mark

from Macey Stubbs in front of goal. Macey then casually kicked truly for her first goal of the season.

This was a great team effort today and a real team lifting win after some tough games this season.

Final Score: Phillip Island 8.8.56 def Moe 0.0.0.

Best: Lexi Walton, Jade Ricardo, Ahlee Penry, Mackenzie Wain, Gisele Smith, Bella Gude and Macey Stubbs.

Goals: Poppy Marshall 2, Ahlee Penry, Alaska Dixon, Jade Ricardo, Mia Boost, Lily Bow and Macey Stubbs.



Winners from left to right Errol Broadford, Eric Wild and Neville Stevens.



Runners Up from left to right, Reg Excell, Elaine Severino and Michael Haack.

Social Bowls

Twenty players took to the green for a great social game.

It was a close finish with two teams having 2 game wins but it came down to a one shot difference for the winners.

Winners: 2 games +34 Errol Broadford, Eric Wild and Neville Stevens.

Runners Up: 2 games +33 Reg Excell, Elaine Severino and Michael Haack.

A big shout out to Lynne Thomas who is one of our new bowlers this year. She competed in her first indoor singles competition at Narre Warren Club for the Women's Victorian Indoor Championships this week and played extremely well. Well done Lynne and to her coach extraordinaire George Mol.

Audika 2-4-2

A cold wet day here on the island on Saturday for the Audika sponsored 2-4-2 competition but 20 brave members put themselves out there for the first week of the competition.

Winners for the day were Alan Beddowes and Monika Poole with a +18. Runners Up were Patrick Ryan and Steve Williams +1.7.

Best First Game: Serge Castel and Annie Allen.

Best Second Game: Steve Farrelly and Glenda Grazules.

Also it was with great sadness this week that we lost one of our long time members Bill Giles.

Bill was a man who was very welcoming and helpful to new members to the club and apart from being a great contributor to the day to the day running of the club, he was also a past member of the Board.

He was a bricklayer by trade and always had a yarn or two to tell about his days as a Union representative.

South West Gippsland Midweek Bowls results

Thursday June 2 Midweek Bowls was played at San Remo with 20 brave bowlers.

Sadly the last few days of terrible weather scared many of our members off.

But the day turned out to be lovely with just a little breeze and the sun was out most of the day, which made for a very pleasant day of bowls and good company. Although we had more than a few wayward bowls, the green was in excellent condition.

As usual high scores were recorded.

Winners 36 points, runners up 34 points, one game winners 18 points.

Some wrong bias were recorded and the culprits gave gladly to the RCH donation tin.

Thank you to Gwen Jeffrey for looking after the kitchen and also for her beautiful home-made scones for the free raffle table.

Thank you to Peter McWilliams for tending the bar and to the members who brought items for the free raffle table.

One of our members Elaine Williams had a fall last week. Sending our best wishes to her and hope she will join us again soon.

Next week we play at Koo Wee Rup, 10am at the club for a 10.30am start. BYO lunch, please be on time.

Please pass the new time on if you see any of our members.

For more information contact Peter McWilliams on 5678 5974.

Everyone welcome. See you on the green.

Breakers go down to Karingal

With Bass Coast and Karingal sitting even on the ladder in third and fourth the home side we were expecting a good contest.

Due to Covid the Breakers fielded a new look team with three former players Hannah Mills, Jaz Garry and Emma Jackson along with first gamers Zara Hooper, Bernie Fitzgerald and Teaghan Whitham taking the field to help the team.

With a strong wind blowing to the rail trail end, Karingal won the toss and kicked to advantage.

However, despite the wind advantage, a solid defensive effort lead by Stacey Poke, Hannah Mills and Courtney Fletcher across the half back line and Georgia Slavin at full back saw Karingal held to 1.2 for the term.

Unfortunately, the Breakers didn't capitalise in the second term only managing four points despite the strong breeze and most of the play in their forward half.

A great start to the third saw Breakers maintain possession with short kicks and controlled advancement – exactly what Breaker's stand-in coach Ella Angarane had asked of the team.

After a solid ten minutes of limiting the visitor's opportunities, Karingal managed to take advantage of the ball and wind to score three late goals and take a four-goal lead into the last break.

With the wind still strong in the last quarter, the Breakers pushed forward and scored two goals via set shots from O'Neill and Bradford but this was enough to peg back the lead.

Despite the loss there were lots of positives

with pulled together team coming together well with the first gamers quickly getting involved and familiar faces (and voices) picking up where they left off.

Sophie McCracken-Evans continued her dominance in the ruck while Zara Hooper in her first game for the Breakers was a handy inclusion and adapted to the senior competition with ease.

The Breakers also celebrated another mile-

stone with Kate Caughey playing her 50th match.

The Breakers will enjoy a week off before their next game against Devon Meadows Sunday June 19, 11am at Dalyston.

Final Score: Karingal 4.5-29 def Breakers 2.6-18.

Goals: O'Neill, Bradford.

Best: Poke, Brisbane, Russo, Mills, Hooper, Fletcher.



Kate Caughey celebrated her 50th match with teammates.



Jenna Russo breaks free of a pack.



Coach Harry Hermans with the U12A soccer teams award winners: Kavish, Myles, Leo and Georgia.

First home game of the season

U12A

Our U12A team hosted Mirboo North for our first home game of the 2022 season.

It was a cold morning with strong wind.

The Breakers kicked with the wind in the first half and definitely took advantage with a massive 8-0 score at half time.

The team then had to hold off a strong attack from Mirboo North in the second half but managed to hold strong defensively as well as keep up attack, extending the lead to a 10-1 final score.

It was a great team effort, with multiple goal scorers.

Also, down three players, due to illness, Leo Ubavin and Kavish Cunairun stepped in and took a half each in the goals, both did an amazing job.

With less players, there was less rotations, however the entire team ran the game out until the end.

Goal scorers: Georgia MacDonald 2, Jakob Storey 2, Riley Goodwin 2, Jarvis McDonald 1, Myles Cromie 1, Charlotte Turcinovich 1 and Kaylan Cunairun 1.

Today's awards: Leo Ubavin and Kavish Cunairun (fill in goal keepers), Myles Cromie (strong defence, midfield and goal) and Georgia MacDonald (scoring her first 2 goals of the season).

U17s

Under 17's hosted Inverloch for their first home game, and points up for grabs in the Gippsland Soccer

League Cup.

With Inverloch having a few players out they could only field seven players, Phillip Island coach Andrew Dean had 10 players and decided to play even numbers on the pitch, meaning Breakers had the luxury of players on the bench (a rare occasion).

Right from the first whistle the Islanders were on the attack with a blustering wind advantage, although Inverloch were strong in defence and their Keeper stopping several shots.

At the 11-minute mark it was Xavier Godena who put the Island one goal up.

This seemed to set the wheels in motion as the boys moved the ball around to perfection, the next goal came from Adam Dean at the 12-minute mark, at the half time whistle we were up 8-0 with goals to Adam Dean 4, Xavier Godena 2, Jad Ellaz 1 and Jacob Liatos 1.

Second half: with a huge head wind now blowing into the players faces, it was going to be a challenge to score.

Liam Fuery who had a clean sheet in the first half moved out from goals, and into the midfield, and Cadel Tsioulakis played well in defence donned the gloves on, with a lot of run and short passes the Breakers managed to keep the ball at their feet and move forward, the team were working well together.

Balian Prendergast was presenting himself well up forward and also added his name to the score sheet.

Inverloch's Hamish Gillespie got a fast break away and managed to sneak one past the keeper with the final whistle blown.

The Phillip Island Breakers had a great win 15-1.

Goal scorers were Adam Dean 5, Xavier Godena 4, Jacob Liatos 3, Jad Ellaz 1, Bailey Leed 1 and Balian Prendergast 1.

Women's soccer

The Island hosted Mirboo North with a bitterly cold north westerly wind blowing across Newhaven Park.

A colder Sunday afternoon for soccer at Newhaven in recent years, could not be recalled.

After a fantastic win against Wonthaggi and coming off a two-week break, the ladies were very keen to take to the pitch for the match.

The Island knocked the ball around well early on and Pauleen was unlucky to strike the ball against the post from a nice cross from Kelly.

Island had most of the play but couldn't seem to beat the keeper, the post, or the cross bar, finding all three on multiple occasions despite many nice strikes.

The Mirboo keeper was quite dynamic, well positioned and refused to be beaten.

Pauleen playing up front, held the ball up very well, playing it back to our midfielders to keep possession and allowing Island attacks to build from passing and possession in the forward third.

Eventually Kelly dribbled past the last Mirboo defenders and slipped one past the keeper (for 1-0) and the flood gates opened.

Mirboo refused to give up and eventually scored a well-deserved goal for themselves.

Great sportsmanship was on display from both sides which helped to make it a thoroughly enjoyable match for all players.

Final score: Island won 14-1. Goals: Kelly-5, Abi-5, Pauleen-1, Finley-1, own-goals-2.

To read more of this report go to pisra.com.au.

Men's Reserves

With the wind still howling and a few of the Reserves men unavailable, we managed to conjure up 13 players.

The Breakers won the toss and opted to go with the wind in the first half. The Breakers managed to put three passed the keeper in the first half to Leongatha 0.

The second half saw Leongatha score three past the keeper Tommy, however the Breakers put another two in the net as well.

Final scores 5-3 another win on the board for the Breakers.

There's no soccer on next week for the long weekend, then the Reserves hit the road again to Leongatha.

After that they have a great run of home games leading up to the finals.

The Phillip Island Breakers wish Harry Hermans and his family safe travels on their new adventure and hope to see them back soon.

U12A coach bids farewell

By Harry Hermans

Finally, as many of you are aware, Wilhem and I, together with our family, are leaving the Phillip Island Breakers Soccer club to embark on a new journey.

So, this home game win was extra special for us.

From a coaching point of view, for a team that started off the 2022 season as mostly first year players, they have all formed a great connection and a great understanding of the game, the rules, the skills and they all show great respect for their team mates as well as their opponents each and every week.

This team will go a long way, this year and beyond, and we look forward to continuing to follow them throughout the remainder of the season.

I would also like to thank all the parents who help out behind the scenes each and every week with linesperson, marshall, oranges and photography duties and for their efforts getting their children to training and games every week.

A special thank you to Megan MacDonald for her tireless work behind the scenes to keep the team ticking over, including the goal scoring, the rosters and the team sheets.

Finally, thank you to Adam for taking over as the U12A coach.

I'm sure he will do well, and the players will do him proud.

Congratulations on the great win on the weekend team and good luck for the remainder of the 2022 season.

Phillip Island golf results

Thursday June 2 Open Stableford

18 Hole Stableford
Division 1: Winner Wayne Morris (13) with 40 points. Runner up Jeremy Westaway on (3) with 38 points.
Nine Hole Stableford
Winner Kym Cooper (40) with 20 points. Runner up Anthony Pullan (34) with 19 points.

Saturday June 4 Monthly Medal

A Grade Mens winner Matt Brown (10) 72 points on c/b to Nev Thurgood (6) 72 points.
B Grade Mens winner Greg Holland (18) 74 points on c/b to Geoff Daff (16) 74 points.
C Grade Mens winner Rod Wadey (21) on 74 points, runner up was Mick Wysenbeek (19) on 75 Points.
NTP: 5th Peter Cartwright (hole in one), 7th Peter Cartwright, 10th John Shaw, 17th Mark Haringsma.
Ladies winner Liz O'Neill (32) on 35 points. Runner Up was Janice Baker (33) on 32 c/b.
Ladies NTP: 5th, 7th and 10th Karen Green, 17th Liz Gleeson.
Nine-hole competition winner Jan Daff.

TIDE GUIDE

Tidal predictions for Stony Point, Cowes -0.09 Newhaven -0.31 | HIGH TIDE IS MARKED IN BLACK

WED 8 JUN	THU 9 JUN	FRI 10 JUN	SAT 11 JUN	SUN 12 JUN	MON 13 JUN	TUE 14 JUN
HIGH 6:00 am 2.50 m	LOW 12:24 am 1.10 m	LOW 1:03 am 1.04 m	LOW 1:49 am 0.95 m	LOW 2:44 am 0.85 m	LOW 3:45 am 0.73 m	LOW 4:53 am 0.59 m
LOW 11:41 am 0.87 m	HIGH 6:46 am 2.47 m	HIGH 7:42 am 2.47 m	HIGH 8:47 am 2.52 m	HIGH 10:00 am 2.62 m	HIGH 11:14 am 2.78 m	HIGH 12:25 pm 2.96 m
HIGH 6:37 pm 2.83 m	LOW 12:21 pm 0.99 m	LOW 1:10 pm 1.12 m	LOW 2:07 pm 1.26 m	LOW 3:15 pm 1.38 m	LOW 4:32 pm 1.44 m	LOW 5:51 pm 1.44 m
	HIGH 7:12 pm 2.77 m	HIGH 7:52 pm 2.70 m	HIGH 8:40 pm 2.63 m	HIGH 9:37 pm 2.58 m	HIGH 10:42 pm 2.56 m	HIGH 11:49 pm 2.57 m

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A muddy affair for junior footy

U10s Red

We travelled out to Fish Creek today to take on Corner Inlet in wet cold and windy conditions.

Unfortunately, illness had decimated the team leaving us with 12 willing players.

Corner Inlet showed great sportsmanship in lending us players so the game could go on.

Even though we had an undermanned team the boys took it in their stride and showed great determination in trying conditions.

We moved the ball with accuracy and efficiency across the large ground and took some of the best marks we have seen so far this season.

Max 'The Raging Bull' Robinson was at it again, exploding out of packs and keeping the ball moving forward.

Nash Hornsby-Ramage had a huge impact on the game and played smart, in front football while Ziggy Wagner was everywhere and showed great courage playing on after a heavy knock.

Louis Brodie was the General down back taking big marks and setting up the midfielders with clearing kicks.

The boys never took a backward step and attacked the contests all day.

Reef Elliot laid a bone crunching tackle in the square to save a certain goal to the opposition.

Flynn Wright had his best game for the season reading the play and giving us a great target through the middle.

Very proud of the team effort today and every single player had great moments within the game.

A well-earned rest with a bye next week as we head into the run home.

U10s Blue

The Blue Pups weren't phased by the chilly weather. After Captain Jaxon Summerfield delivered a motivating pre-game address, they were keen to get muddy and have some fun



Flynn Riley U10s Blue Pup enjoying getting muddy on Sunday before the game.

in the wet.

The two teams were evenly matched making each other really work hard for the goals.

The Doggies moved the ball down the field well as a team, tackling was great and came away feeling positive and triumphant.

Special mention to the bubble queen Tess Larsson showing support for her brother's teams by filling the field with bubbles during the quarter breaks.

Goal kickers were William Patton, Archie Dallinger, and Flynn Riley.

Awards went to Ruby Parsons, William Patton, Jaxen Marshall, Jaxon Summerfield, Reece King and William Hosking.

U12s Blue

Conditions at the kennel were cold windy and wet for round 8.

The Phillip Island Blue Pups, led by their captains Maddison Leed and Bailey Parry, took on Wonthaggi Power.

And powerful they were but the Doggies put up a strong fight and did not make it easy for them.

The first quarter was high pressure

with the two evenly matched teams not able to score at all.

The Power managed to penetrate the PI defences in the middle of the game while the Doggies finished strong, though not managing to recover a lead.

The game ended with Wonthaggi three goals ahead with a final score of 1-1-7 to 4-1-25.

Subway award was given to Zane Mathews who performed well in the ruck and stopped a few goals. Ten pin bowling award went to Gemma Fischer who ran hard the whole game.

The Gumbuya World award went to Ryan Hughes who did well in both the forward and back lines. And the last award was to Brady Van Steensel who also did well all over the ground.

Best on ground points were awarded to Mason Paxton, Dustin Naismith, Jackson Allan, Brydon Marshall, Archie Williams who kicked a goal today, and Maddison Leed.

U14s Blue

A freezing day awaited the U14s Phillip Island Bulldogs Blues at the kennel on Sunday, as they hosted Wonthaggi.

A much-anticipated match it was, with first and second on the ladder meeting each other for the first time this season.

The game started evenly, and the pressure was constantly applied by both teams.

After quarter time, the Bulldogs took it up a notch and the midfield worked their magic, setting up to get the ball out quickly and fluidly.

Once again, the whole team played their part and the way they adjusted to the wet weather was exceptional.

Well done to the team, taking home the win 60 to 8.

Best mentions to Harrison Carlon; Darcy Opitz, Jack Mascaros and Xavier Williams.

Goals to Heath Bowan (2), Nathan Patch (2), Duke Lawrence, Jack Larson, Felix Bathgate, Darcy Opitz and Austin Finlayson.

U14s Red

The Bulldogs travelled all the way to Fish Creek on Sunday to play Korumburra Grey team.

The game was definitely one sided. The U14s dominated in cold wet conditions and had another successful win for the season.

Final scores: Phillip Island 9-6-60 to Korumburra Grey 0-0-0.

Goals: 4 Thomas Macmillan, 2 Blake Murphy and Connor Macmillan, 1 Max Nicka, Harry Bentley, and Sunny Steiner.

Best: Thomas Macmillan, Max Nicka, Connor Macmillan, Ethan Tilley, Harry Bentley, Ethan Rhee.



Jeremy Kelly keeping his head amid the pressure and helped to lead his team to a convincing win against Wonthaggi.

Seagulls flock feast on Bulldogs run

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The Bulldogs were trying hard to stem the onslaught but were not able to trouble the scoreboard while the Seagulls had most slammed home four goals for the term.

After the main break, the Bulldogs regrouped and took the fight right up to the home team with Jack Papas leading from the front ably assisted by Beau Davies and Tully Dickie.

A goal to Jett McMillan and another to Matt Sandie showed a great fighting spirit even when the chips were down, the Bulldogs refused to throw in the towel.

After the break, Tooradin attacked their goal relentlessly, but the Bulldog defence held firm led by Koen Beaumont and Jack Johnstone.

Blake Olarenschaw continued to do some great work while goals to Lucas Chihotski and Tully Dickie put some respectability into our score line.

Scores:
Tooradin: 5.0.30, 9.3.57, 10.4.64, 12.8.80.
Phillip Island: 2.1.13, 2.2.14, 4.3.27, 6.3.39.

Goals – Phillip Island: Brady Ross, Dylan Susic, Lucas Chihotski, Jett McMillan.

Best Players – Phillip Island:

Brady Ross, Blake Olarenschaw, Tully Dickie, Finn Cashman, Jack Papas, Beau Davies.

Under 16s

The U16s travelled to Tooradin this week in what was very cold conditions and put on a bit of a show for the spectators.

It was a goal after goal affair for the Bulldogs.

Although Tooradin managed to keep constant pressure on the Island throughout the entire game, the great teamwork from the boys kept Tooradin scoreless.

Another big win on the scoreboard for the Bulldogs.

Scores:
Phillip Island: 6.4.40, 11.6.72, 15.10.100, 22.12.144.
Tooradin: 0.0.0, 0.0.0, 0.0.0, 0.0.0.

Goals:
Phillip Island: Jack Huther, Max Arceo, Noah Muller 4, Cooper Walton 3, Leo Savona 2, Charlie O'Garey, Ben Chohotski, Jai Coulton, Jasper Cashman, Finn O'Brien 1.

Best Players:
Phillip Island: Darcy Thompson, Noah Muller, Jack Huther, Max Arceo, Cooper Walton, Yianni Caffieri.

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Veterans victorious

Phillip Island Footy Club Veterans team member Rod McKenzie welcomed former PIFNC seniors coach and player Nathan Pirouet to his first match playing for the island's Over 35 veteran team on Sunday. In freezing conditions, the Phillip Island veterans team defeated Neerim South.

THIS WEEKEND DRAWS		LADDERS	
WEST GIPPSLAND COMPETITION		SENIOR FOOTBALL	
Phillip Island v Bunyip Saturday, June 11		RESERVES FOOTBALL	
SOUTHERN GIPPSLAND JUNIOR FOOTBALL COMPETITION		THIRDS FOOTBALL	
BYE		FOURTHS FOOTBALL	
YOUTH GIRLS FOOTBALL COMPETITION		NETBALL	
BYE		A-GRADE	
		B-GRADE	
		C-GRADE	
		17 & Under	
		D-GRADE	

TEAM	PTS	%	W	L
Tooradin-Dalmore	36	298.04	9	0
Nar Nar Goon	32	194.37	8	1
Phillip Island	32	188.39	8	1
Inverloch-Kongwak	28	206.99	7	2
Warragul Industrials	24	138.69	6	3
Cora Lynn	16	117.38	4	5
Bunyip	16	111.89	4	5
Koo Wee Rup	16	83.36	4	5
Kilcunda Bass	8	48.32	2	7
Dalyston	4	39.10	1	8
Korumburra-Bena	4	38.29	1	8
Garfield	0	31.73	0	9

TEAM	PTS	%	W	L
Tooradin-Dalmore	36	1271.11	9	0
Nar Nar Goon	32	250.78	8	1
Bunyip	28	263.60	7	2
Phillip Island	28	226.64	7	2
Koo Wee Rup	24	183.33	6	3
Cora Lynn	20	151.48	5	4
Inverloch-Kongwak	20	120.92	5	4
Warragul Industrials	12	75.08	3	6
Dalyston	8	50.60	2	7
Garfield	4	37.67	1	8
Korumburra-Bena	4	14.93	1	7
Kilcunda Bass	0	10.62	0	9

TEAM	PTS	%	W	L
Inverloch-Kongwak	3.50	28	648.36	7
Garfield	3.00	24	262.84	6
Cora Lynn	3.00	24	142.69	6
Tooradin-Dalmore	2.86	20	291.59	5
Nar Nar Goon	2.29	16	109.51	4
Phillip Island	2.29	16	87.18	4
Koo Wee Rup	1.14	8	81.76	2
Korumburra-Bena	1.00	8	46.44	2
Bunyip	0.57	4	37.82	1
Dalyston	0	0	6.53	0
Kilcunda Bass	0	0	0	0
Warragul Industrials	0	0	0	0

TEAM	PTS	%	W	L
Inverloch-Kongwak	4.00	32	788.30	8
Warragul Industrials	3.56	32	425.82	8
Phillip Island	3.50	28	423.45	7
Korumburra-Bena	2.50	20	224.61	5
Garfield	2.50	20	99.06	5
Koo Wee Rup	1.78	16	65.27	4
Bunyip	1.50	12	109.90	3
Dalyston	1.00	8	51.30	2
Kilcunda Bass	1.00	8	30.10	2
Nar Nar Goon	0.50	4	32.59	1
Tooradin-Dalmore	0	0	4.70	0
Cora Lynn	0	0	0	0

PLAYER OF THE ROUND	PTS	GA
Charlie Ross - A Grade.	32	182.61%

TEAM	PTS	GA
Inver-Kongwak	32	182.61%
Nar Nar Goon	32	136.39%
Tooradin-Dalmore	32	135.31%
Bunyip	28	192.86%
Dalyston	24	137.55%
Phillip Island	20	125.00%
Cora Lynn	12	92.98%
Korumburra Bena	12	83.29%
Warragul Industrials	8	64.18%
Garfield	4	67.32%
Koo Wee Rup	4	43.22%
Kilcunda Bass	0	0.00%

TEAM	PTS	GA
Tooradin-Dalmore	36	179.75%
Nar Nar Goon	32	190.04%
Bunyip	32	189.80%
Phillip Island	28	132.67%
Inverloch-Kongwak	24	122.40%
Dalyston	16	107.25%
Korumburra Bena	10	78.88%
Koo Wee Rup	10	64.85%
Garfield	10	56.52%
Kilcunda Bass	8	90.02%
Cora Lynn	6	64.16%
Warragul Industrials	0	44.92%

TEAM	PTS	GA
Bunyip	36	381.82%
Garfield	32	150.00%
Dalyston	28	190.38%
Nar Nar Goon	28	155.25%
Inverloch-Kongwak	24	158.67%
Phillip Island	16	102.90%
Cora Lynn	14	89.58%
Tooradin-Dalmore	14	85.07%
Koo Wee Rup	12	62.83%
Korumburra Bena	4	64.83%
Kilcunda Bass	4	45.05%
Warragul Industrials	0	28.60%

TEAM	PTS	GA
Phillip Island	32	219.07%
Dalyston	32	217.61%
Korumburra Bena	32	205.14%
Inverloch-Kongwak	24	164.57%
Bunyip	24	141.59%
Cora Lynn	16	121.08%
Tooradin-Dalmore	16	99.30%
Koo Wee Rup	16	86.54%
Nar Nar Goon	8	72.46%
Kilcunda Bass	8	62.54%
Warragul Industrials	4	34.72%
Garfield	0	14.92%

TEAM	PTS	GA
Inver-Kongwak	32	261.48%
Bunyip	24	232.82%
Dalyston	20	216.36%
Nar Nar Goon	20	194.07%
Kilcunda Bass	12	85.59%
Tooradin-Dalmore	12	67.17%
Garfield	8	76.34%
Phillip Island	8	54.04%
Cora Lynn	4	64.32%
Koo Wee Rup	4	36.34%
Korumburra Bena	0	0.00%
Warragul Indust	0	0.00%



Ben Taylor and Jaymie Youle battle it out on the field against Tooradin in a senior's game that the Bulldogs will choose to forget.

Seagulls flock feast on Bulldogs run

A relatively uneventful week for the Bulldogs in the lead up to the second major clash in a string of three – the one against fellow undefeated Tooradin-Dalmore.

The weather continued its somewhat cold and nasty turn, with rain forecast and cold blustery winds prevailing.

Looked perfect for Seagulls, and one where Bulldogs should stay at home perhaps?

Seniors

From the opening bounce, the Seagulls took control of the game. Despite kicking to the scoring end in the first, the Bulldog machine was unable to click into gear.

The locals through man-mountain ruckman Piva Wright combining with onballers Brett McCaffer and Blake Grewar took control.

The Bulldogs' defence was hammered in the first, but stood up to the constant barrage, with Daniel Pearce again leading the charge.

The second was even uglier for the Bulldogs than the first, with the Seagulls now kicking to the scoring end and continuing to dominate all aspects of the play.

Stewart Scanlon began feasting on the constant forward-50 entries in the forward line for the locals, kicking goals from everywhere, despite receiving strong but fair attention from the Bulldogs backs.

The visitors finally managed a goal late in the second through the tireless Cam Pedersen, but a 62-11 score-line at half time was representative of the tide of play.

The Seagulls couldn't continue this near faultless display after the main break, could they?

The Bulldogs responded in the third.

Looking more like the team of previous weeks, the mid field began to assume some control,



Eli Richards puts himself in the midst of it all in the senior's match against Tooradin.

with the on-ball group of Jaymie Youle, Zac Vernon and Billy Taylor lifting and bringing Jack Taylor and the forwards into the game.

The backs were under less pressure and were able to assume some control.

Unfortunately for the Bulldogs, scoreboard pressure didn't evenuate from this dominance with a string of six gettable goals going begging for behinds, and a solitary goal to show for the quarter.

Meanwhile, the Seagulls were able to score two goals against the flow, and scores remained with the same 51-point margin at the last break.

The final was paradise for the Seagulls.

Having managed to withstand the third quarter Bulldogs' onslaught, the locals steadied with that man Scanlon running riot again.

Precision ball movement returned, and despite hard work and considerable effort, the Bulldogs were unable to hold the locals off.

A final margin of 74 points pret-

ty much reflected the gulf between what was clearly the Seagulls best, against what was clearly one to forget for the Bulldogs.

Scores:
Tooradin: 4.5.29, 9.8.62, 11.8.74, 15.14.104.

Phillip Island: 0.2.2, 1.5.11, 2.11.23, 3.12.30.

Goals – Phillip Island: Cam Pedersen 2, Jordy Patullo 1

Goals – Tooradin: Stewart Scanlon 8, Brady Egan 3, Piva Wright, Matthew Livermore, Julian Suarez, James Trezise 1.

Best Players – Phillip Island: Daniel Pearce, Jack Taylor, Max Blake, Cam Pedersen, Billy Taylor.

Best Players – Tooradin: Matthew Livermore, Jordan Kelly, Stewart Scanlon, Steven Robb, Dylan Wilson, Piva Wright.

Reserves

The reserves travelled down the Bass Highway to face a Tooradin side in red hot form with a percentage of over 1500 per cent.

The boys started well, bringing plenty of intensity to the contest but were unable to fully capitalise

the great work on the scoreboard.

The arm wrestle continued throughout the day. Jack Opitz, Blake Christopher and Alex Redmond battled incredibly hard through the midfield, and Will Taylor-Eagles and Levi Robinson applied plenty of pressure in the forward line.

It was Matthew Jackson and Arie Cook holding up the defence all day long.

Ultimately Tooradin found a few too many avenues to goal and rounded out the win by five goals.

Scores:
Tooradin: 2.2.14, 4.5.29, 7.6.48, 7.9.51.

Phillip Island: 0.0.0, 1.3.9, 2.6.18, 2.6.18.

Goals – Phillip Island: James Nicolaci, Tom Officer.

Goals – Tooradin: Adam Splatt, Jason Kestle 2, Jake O'Donnell, James Wheeler, Joshua Trezise.

Best Players – Phillip Island: Jack Opitz, Alexandrew Redmond, Levi Robinson, Blake Christopher, Will Taylor-Eagles, Matt Jackson.

Best Players – Tooradin: Lauchlan Gregson, Brett Coffey, Johnny Duff, Bailey Webb, Thomas Bethune, Jason Kestle.

Under 18s

It was clear from the opening bounce that Tooradin wanted to put their stamp on the game and within minutes had registered a goal from a free kick.

The Bulldogs were applying good pressure in the contest, but the opposition responded despite the good work of Finn Cashman and Sunny Mattock.

Goals to Dylan Susic and Brady Ross capped off some good play by the Bulldogs.

Tooradin started the second term as they did in the first, a goal from a free kick and were creating the loose man to perfection with great discipline.

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