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Exciting news.
Meet Sandy Locke,
new owner of
the Black Pearl

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Our Winchelsea Neighbours

Sandy Locke

Sandy says the support of the community so far has been wonderful and she looks forward to serving the wider community. She is truly grateful to have some good friends living in Winchelsea and they are excited for her to be here as they can just come into the shop to see her for a cuppa now and not go into Geelong!

If she gets spare time, Sandy loves to row and she is a member of the Corio Bay Rowing Club. She also loves to garden, travel, sketch, eat out - and generally enjoy life.

Sandy Locke has been a trade qualified Chef for approx 40yrs. She always knew that eventually she would open a shop - she just never thought it would be a pizza shop in Winchelsea!

But, after her friends telling her in conversation that Winch needed a good takeaway with more options besides just having a fabulous pizza shop, she thought she would ask Joe if he wanted to sell his business - and when he said yes, she couldn't believe it (She doesn't think that he could either, judging by the look on his face!)

She thought she would make it her own by adding in things that she knows people will like such as different pastas, souvlakis in homemade wraps, really good burgers, a weekly specials board and some different cakes and desserts which are extremely popular with her customers. They are what she is known for. All will be made on the premises - and of course Joe's Coffee (Kazbah) as it is the best on our region. It is a best seller in Sandy's coffee van Sweet Sandy's Cafe de Wheel's.

The business has continued operating as usual with no hiccups, it just had a transfer of ownership. Sandy has kept the staff on, as good experienced staff are one of the best assets you can have. Her team are fabulous, as they are excellent workers as well as being really good people. She says she is truly blessed.

She will also be changing the operating hours to include Sundays, so Thursday-Sunday 12.00pm until 8.00pm, with a 9.00pm closing time in summer depending how busy they are and of course, staffing.

Sandy is excited for the future and is looking forward to building strong business relationships, as well as friendships, along with successfully growing her business in Winchelsea. She looks forward to meeting all the Winch locals.

Sandy has travelled to many countries, Peru and Jordan (the Dead Sea is an interesting experience!) being two of her favourite countries.

She has also been to the Falkland Islands, a wildly rugged spectacular place full of wildlife, including King, Rockhopper and Magellanic penguins. She went to visit the Falklands on her way back from Antarctica in 2018.

The Falklands are still under British rule and even to this day they refuse to have anything to do with Argentina. They have all their food flown in from the UK. If they need specialist medical treatment, they are flown back to the UK in an Airforce jet as there is a base on the Islands. Their food is sold frozen in the supermarkets and they grow their fresh vegetables in hot houses attached to their homes.

In 1992, Sandy was living and working in England when she met the then Prince Charles. Having shaken his hand and made a bit of chit chat, she believes he is a lovely man and is going to make a great compassionate King.

Sandy has also worked in Corrections at HM Prison Barwon, as Victoria's first female Industry Supervisor. She managed the kitchen with a crew of 22 prisoners and 4 staff, as well as a swag of casual staff members. The prisoners were trained in Cert 1, 2 & 3 in Hospitality, so they could get a job when they were released. She says she trained them well and they were really good cooks.



Some of you may have met Sandy Locke already at the monthly Winchelsea Community Market, when ordering food and a coffee through the window of the little red and white caravan at the entrance to the rows of stalls.

Here she is serving man-around-town Mick O'Mara at last Sunday's Market.



Mick O'Mara

Mick's early childhood was spent to the south-west of Melbourne. Back then the Hightt-Cheltenham area was a market garden and dairy farming area. The land on which they used to graze their horses and cows ran down to a Catholic boys' home that is now Southland. The house that they lived in no longer exists.

The best story he can remember from that era was a horse called Jenny that his sister had. Jenny was an ex-steeple-chaser who could jump almost any thing. One day he was going to jump a blackberry bush. When Jenny was a few millimetres away from the blackberries she decided she wasn't going to jump it after all! However he was committed. It was quite a disaster!

Mick's ancestors were the first non-indigenous people to live in that area. When they were teenagers my many greats grand father and his brother sailed their five metre fishing boat from Hobart to Port Phillip in the 1830s. They settled on the cliff top above the beach at what has become Sandringham. The chimney of their house is still there. The nearest non-indigenous neighbour was at what is now St Kilda. Unfortunately for the present day O'Maras, they didn't do a Winchelsea's Thomas Austin and select from Sandringham to Dandenong to run their farm. They were fishermen and made their living from Port Phillip.

Mick's early dream was to be a dairy farmer. His father decided he was to be a "scientific" farmer and sent me to Dookie Agricultural College.

At Dookie he discovered their dairying techniques were very old. They didn't even have "walk-through" bails. With all the arrogance of a 16 year older, he decided that Dookie had nothing to teach him and he simply enjoyed life without putting any effort into his studies. At the end of the year the Dookie Principal decided he wasn't good farming material - and booted me out.

Mick says the exit from Dookie was the best thing that could have happened to him. He found work as a builder's labourer working with jack hammers on the high rise buildings in Melbourne Central. Pay was very good but, when he looked around, there are no old builders' labourers. In those days he was too old for an apprenticeship so he had to do night-school to get academic qualifications.

That meant new jobs. First was clerking at the Agriculture Dept. and then Lab Technician at Melbourne Uni. The Uni job was wonderful. It exposed him to the academic world that he had never experienced before, and he decided to become a teacher.

By pure luck Mick's partner Prue found a beautiful house at Winchelsea. When they looked at Winchelsea they found everything they wanted. A great school, beautiful pool, close to a big town and a stone house on the Barwon for \$14000. How could they not buy it? Winchelsea had everything they wanted.



Our Winchelsea Neighbours



Mick O'Mara and Peppa

Would you like to be next week's Winchelsea Neighbour?

It's a simple thing you can do to grow our community.

Shoot us an email editor@winchelseastar.org.au and we'll send you a few quick questions to answer.

Seniors, children, busy mums and dads, long time resident or new to town - we are part of the wonderful community that is Winchelsea.



The Star asked Mick a few get-to-know-you questions:

If you could change places with anyone for a day, who would it be?

The President of the USA, whoever that happens to be at that time. There is so much going wrong with our world; Climate Change, the possibility of nuclear war, poverty - the list is never ending. The USA President is one of the few people in this World with the power to fix these problems. The task is to get a President who is prepared to do this.

What would you change about Winchelsea?

Probably nothing. I am completely happy with the way things are. Because I am used to having plenty of space around me, I would be unhappy living in some of the Estates with small blocks of land, but I accept that many people are happy with their small blocks and large houses.

Who is your football team?

I belong to a football family. My father and most of my uncles played for Sandringham in the VFA days. When we were cleaning out my father's house we found a team photo of the Sandy footy team from the 1890's. My great grandfather was Sandy's Coach at that time. We gave the photo to Sandy.

As a teenager I played with Moorabbin Reserves. When St Kilda took over the Moorabbin ground and Moorabbin Football Club disbanded, I was too busy with night school and didn't ever play football seriously again. Football was great when you moved from one small country town to another - you instantly knew a whole lot of that town's people

What is your favourite sport?

My favourite sport was athletics. I ran A Grade at Olympic Park. I was a 400 metre person. One of my great memories is when our manager said, "We haven't got any one for the Three Miler. Can you do it?" I turned up at the start line and found I was running against Ron Clarke, the World Record holder. Sure, Ron lapped me, but I had run against Ron Clarke! When I went up the bush, my running career finished.

What is a trip that has changed you?

When I had to finish up teaching because of industrial deafness, (probably from my builders' labouring days), I took up delivering boats. I decided to do the Sydney to Noumea yacht race. I was navigator. For ten days all I saw was 1 ship and 2 flying fish. I need more to occupy my time more than that, so my dream of sailing around the world went out the window, (or porthole).

Do you have a pet?

Since Prue first got a Labrador as a present from her parents, we have had Labradors. At first we bred our own, but now we have other peoples' "Needs a good home" dogs. Our current one Peppa, (who is reminding me it is past tea time) came from Korumburra. She is simply a beautiful dog!

Winchelsea Community Market

Sunday 6 August 2023



Judy Cameron

We had a beautiful day for the August Market – which was a little different as it was also the Surf Coast Arts Trail weekend and the Rivalee Winchelsea Artist Collective were exhibiting in the Shire Hall. So the undercover stall holders were accommodated in the Neighborhood House for the day.



Acting Town Crier, Jody Earl (R) had the task of ringing her bell and directing people, while Lesley Christie (L), the Growing Winchelsea rep, lent a hand.

Dogs are always a delight to see at the Market and I have heard a rumour that the market organisers might include a dog show in the coming months. That is something to look forward to.

Christine and Chihuahua Angel were there with Angel's new puppy playmate Divine.



Jessamy and Callum (L) with Irish Wolfhound Hermes and Lindsay Willmott (R) of Richmond with Aggie a black Saluki.

This was Lindsay's first time at the Winchelsea Market. He usually comes down on a week day to Skenes Creek. Winchelsea is 1 3/4 hours from home, so a handy spot to take a break. He likes to buy lunch at the Bakery and take it down to a River spot to eat. Lindsay also appreciates McGuire's Butcher Shop and stocks up there on the way through.





Cat curfew drop-in sessions

Are you a cat owner?

Now's the time to prepare for the 24-hour cat curfew, starting in the Surf Coast Shire on 30 September.

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2pm to 3pm

From 30 September, Council's revised cat confinement order requires all cats within the municipality to be confined at all times to the owner's premises unless the cat is appropriately restrained.

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Local artists on the Surf Coast Arts Trail

Judy Cameron

We hope many of you were able to enjoy the Surf Coast Arts Trail on the weekend with 58 venues across the Shire open with a diversity of items on show and for sale.

I visited some local ones.



Dee Matheson



Shrek Gallery



Shrek cows



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We want the Star to inform, engage, inspire, and interest the residents of Winchelsea and surrounds. And we need your writings to get there.

The Star has no actual reporters or designated writers - we publish what you send us. If you have some news, an opinion, an interest or perspective, or a story - we'd love you to send it in for publication.

The Star loves to hear anything of direct interest to the Winchelsea community. The more local content we can put in, the better!

How much can I write?

You can write just one article. You can start a new column about something you're interested in. You can send us a series of articles following a theme. What would **you** write about?

Your article can spread over 1 or 2 pages (approx 850 words), or you can write longer pieces and split them across multiple editions.

Add a photo or two, an article title and author's name (preferably).

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We look forward to hearing from you.
 Simply email editor@winchelseastar.org.au



The Climate Report Judy Cameron

António Guterres, UN Secretary General 27 July 2023

"The era of global warming has ended; the era of global boiling has arrived. Leaders must lead. No more hesitancy."

Richard Denniss, 4 Aug 2023 The Australia Institute

"The UN Secretary General may think 'the era of global boiling' has just arrived, but here in Australia the era of subsidised fossil fuel expansion is already in full swing.

Just one new LNG project being facilitated by the \$1.5 billion of public money we have given to the 'Middle Arm Sustainability Precinct' in the Northern Territory could result in lifecycle emissions of 81 million tonnes a year - the equivalent of 12 coal-fired power stations."

The Guardian, 6/7/23 How fossil fuel lobbyists at the heart of US politics influence the fight for our climate:

"There are more than 1,500 paid state-level lobbyists in the US that work for fossil fuel interests as well as climate-concerned institutions – again highlights the breadth of the fossil fuel industry's influence and how deeply embedded it is"

The Conversation, 19 August 2022 How to deal with fossil fuel lobbying and its growing influence in Australian politics:

"Lobbying regulation in Australia is particularly scant. It currently takes the form of a public lobbyist register and a code of conduct. The secrecy and lack of integrity around fossil fuel lobbying stems directly from the shortcomings of federal lobbying regulation.

Safeguarding democracy is imperative in the climate crisis and to the functioning of government overall. Robust lobbying regulation is an essential measure to ensure that all are protected."

Veterans Card offers discounts for Australian Defence Force members

The State Government is supporting veterans now and into the future with the launch of the Veterans Card - an Australian-first initiative.

The state Government will invest more than \$36 million over four years in the digital card, which has already been taken up by more than 6,000 veterans.

The Veterans Card provides eligible veterans with discounted registration for one light vehicle, free trailer and caravan registration, a marine (boating) licence, free public transport on Anzac Day and Remembrance Day, a fishing licence exemption, and access to the Victorian Government veteran-specific employment programs.

Anyone living in Victoria who has served or is currently serving in the Australian Defence Force is eligible for the Veterans Card – Victoria.

All eligible members of the veteran community can apply through either the Service Victoria website or the Service Victoria app on their smartphone.

For more information on the card, or to apply visit service.vic.gov.au/services/veterans-card-victoria.

Barwon Water calls for nominations for its Customer Advisory Committee

Barwon Water is calling for customers who are passionate about their community to share their insights and make a positive impact in the region.

Nominations for the water utility's Customer Advisory Committee are now open and individuals are asked to step forward and fill vacancies in the established group which represents Barwon Water's customers and community.

Interim Managing Director Shaun Cumming said that the committee seeks to be representative of Barwon Water's customer base and the diverse communities in the region, and he hoped the process would attract people of all ages from a range of locations, backgrounds and interests.

Mr Cumming also encouraged First Nations customers to apply and said Barwon Water values the perspectives of First peoples who have shared a strong connection to Country and Waterways for tens of thousands of years.

Membership of the CAC is for a three-year period, after which time members will be invited to reapply. Meetings will be conducted on a quarterly basis. The committee meets in-person and online; and committee members are invited to participate in excursions to Barwon Water facilities where they enjoy a unique behind-the-scenes view of the infrastructure we all rely on daily.

Applications are open until 1 September 2023.

Learn more on our website, or by phoning Community Engagement 1300 656 007. To register your interest in applying for the Customer Advisory Committee, send a short email expressing your interest to projects@barwonwater.vic.gov.au.

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Saving ambulances for those most in need

Ambulance Victoria's massively expanded Secondary Triage service is now supporting more than 500 people every day get the appropriate care they need – freeing up hundreds of paramedics to care for the Victorians who need them the most.

Established 20 years ago, the State Government has massively expanded the service, which since 2021 has tripled in size to more than 270 highly skilled nurse practitioners and paramedics.

Since 2016, the service has connected more than one million Victorians that did not need an emergency response, with alternative care freeing up paramedics to respond to urgent patients, reducing demand on emergency departments and saving hospital resources for the sickest Victorians.

It's estimated that about one in five calls to 000 don't need a lights and sirens response, with 37,825 callers being diverted to the Secondary Triage team in the first three months of 2023.

This has seen patients connected to non-emergency patient transport providers, telehealth services, their GP or an after hours doctor, and the Victorian Virtual Emergency Department.

With an additional \$13.1 million invested in the Victorian Budget 2023/24, Victoria is now home to the largest ambulance led triage in the world.

To keep the pressure off paramedics and other first responders, for non-emergencies, Victorians are urged to visit their GP, local pharmacist, or GP Respiratory Clinic.

If in need of urgent care, Victorians can access the VVED from the comfort of their own home, attend one of the 27 Priority Primary Care Centres across the state, visit one of Victoria's 24/7 Supercare Pharmacies, or call NURSE-ON-CALL 1300 60 60 24 for immediate, expert advice.

More than 2,200 new paramedics have been recruited, with \$277 million invested in this year's Budget to recruit more paramedics, deliver better training and support innovative models of care.

Digital games market comes to Melbourne

The State Government is backing the state's growing digital games industry to take locally made games to the world, through a major new marketplace event – Play Now Melbourne.

Play Now Melbourne is set to connect local developers and studios with international games heavy weights.

Australian game developers are invited to apply to be part of the event where they can pitch their games to international publishers, platform holders and decision makers with the aim of securing career-changing deals and selling their games on the global market.

Play Now Melbourne is being delivered by VicScreen and will be part of an action-packed Melbourne International Games Week (MIGW) this October, with games industry leaders from around the world converging in Melbourne.

Leading global publishers and platform holders such as Kepler Interactive and Meta are already confirmed to attend the market with more announcements to come.

In recent years, Victorian made games such as Cult of the Lamb and Kinder World have taken the global games industry by storm, and Play Melbourne will help our next slate of games level up.

Play Now Melbourne adds a local post to the calendar of international games industry trade events, including GamesCom in Cologne, Germany and the Game Developers Conference in San Francisco, USA, and will support Australian developers to build international relationships without leaving home.

Created by the State Government and curated by Creative Victoria, Melbourne International Games Week 2023 runs from 30 September – 8 October. Play Now Melbourne, taking place on 5 October, adds to the range of industry conferences, awards, showcases, and public events.

Expressions of interest are now open for Australian developers who are seeking a career, for more information visit vicscreen.vic.gov.au/playnow

'Read the Play' program promotes spirit of teamwork

Congratulations Bella Leak for being awarded 'Read the Player' of the match.

Angie Mawson

'Read the Play' is a program that promotes awareness of Mental Health Issues offering free programs and information to all footballers and netballers aged 15-17 across Geelong.

This program is completely free and is aimed to create discussions amongst this age group about their feelings.

This week all football and netball 15s competition participated in read the play round.

Winchelsea hosted Corio and the girls played amazing in the spirit of team work, mateship, courage and respect.

Congratulations Bella Leak who was awarded Read the Player of the match displaying the values of Read The Play.

Bella is an outstanding team mate every week.





For the complete newcomer to lawn bowls, looking for a sporting activity that promises much fun and enjoyment with a competitive element, then the friendly, welcoming atmosphere of our Bowling Club is be the place to be.

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Facebook.com/Winchelsea-Bowls-Club-533783333344345/

What can you do to make a difference?

A new campaign will showcase the everyday actions Victorians are taking to help protect our state against pests and diseases.

Biosecurity Victoria Executive Director Katherine Clift said 'Whether you're from a farm, live in the city or love the great outdoors – we all have a role to play when it comes to biosecurity,' Dr Clift said.

Passionate gardener Eva shares tips on the daily biosecurity practices she carries out in her suburban backyard. 'I go outside first thing in the morning, wander around and pick all the dead leaves off the plants I find and take the weeds out,' she said.

Sheep farmers Jane and Mick from Harrow in Western Victoria describe how good biosecurity is essential to the survival of their farm. 'If we don't manage risks on our farm, whether it be Mother Nature or biosecurity, we can't be sustainable as a family,' said Mick.

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ROUND 16

Welcome to Blue's News – it's been a big week in local football.

Last week the Blues hosted the Corio Devils at Eastern Reserve. Corio have been the most improved in the 2023 G.D.F.N.L. season, so both Reserves and Seniors were wary of any upsets that might be had at this stage of the year.

This week the Winchelsea Blues travel to Geelong West Giants, this will be the last "away" game for the Blues. This season the Club has had great support in both Football and Netball spectators at the home and away games. No matter what the weather there is always plenty of Navy Blue in the crowd – big thanks to everyone!!

READ THE PLAY:

Angie Mawson, Tilly Kelly and Janet Fletcher were pleased to respond to the invitation for the W.F.N.C. Inc. to attend the inaugural Fund Raising Breakfast at Kardinia Park for the Read the Play organisation in regards to the Well Being and Mental Health of our Junior sports participants ages 14 through to 17. Read the Play had small beginnings some years ago with the backing of Kempe Engineering in Geelong and the movement has evolved and reached out to the broader Football and Netball Communities. The early breakfast commenced 6.45am, with 268 in attendance, was superbly compered by Read the Play Ambassador Cameron Ling. Guest speakers included Neil Balme and his son William, and Read the Play Ambassadors.

These are entirely voluntary positions, and the services that Read the Play offer are free. There is no Government funding - State or Federal. The Winchelsea Blues are proud to be associated with the movement, and Vice President Meg Royal is the Club's official Welfare Officer. On game days you can find Meg donning her light blue polo shirt, just another hat Meg wears for the Winchelsea Blues. The Read the Play organisation are wanting to expand across other sporting codes in the Geelong region, and this is widely appreciated by other sporting codes.

COMMUNITY DAY:

Saturday August 19 is the last home and away match for season 2023 and the Winchelsea Blues invite the Community to come to Eastern Reserve with no charge at the gate. There will be an Animal Nursery at the ground, face painting available, the Canteen will be closed for the afternoon with the Lion's Club famous Chuck Wagon making food available as well as at least one other food truck as well. The Bar will be open as usual, and our opposition Club for the day is Anakie.

BLUE'S BISTRO:

The Blue's Bistro will continue through until October as usual This week the menu will be SEAFOOD BASKETS, and back by popular demand CURRIED SAUSAGES, & ROAST CHICKEN. Our Volunteers do their best to have meals up and running by 6pm, this is occasionally more challenging due to factors beyond our control – deliveries etc.

Thanks to everyone last week for the patience and good humour shown! Looking forward to seeing everyone Thursday night.

RESERVES:

Winchelsea Blues 19.11.125 defeated Corio Devils 1.1.7

Corio were clearly undermanned last Saturday but the scores don't really imply the intensity of the game at times. The Blues started really strongly and had a great, fairly accurate first quarter. The second saw much of the same and the hapless Corio went in to the long break scoreless. Blues – 12 goals 6 behinds 78 points.

The Devils were able to slow the scoring rate by the home side but were not able to make any real mark on the scoreboard themselves. The Blue's saw the game out in a ruthless but sporting manner. This was a great percentage booster for the Reserves in what is a seriously tight Reserves Competition this season. Jarrod Winzer having a day out kicking 7 and Dustin Baker back to his best with a B.O.G. A couple of injuries soured the win, one being a hamstring injury to Ollie Mahncke, everyone at the Club hopes nothing too serious with any of these injuries. All in all it was a great display by the Winchelsea Reserves who have a very realistic chance at participating in the Finals series. Good job !

GOALS Jarrod Winzer 7, Dustin Baker 3, Coby Eagle 2, Shaun Morris 2, Heath Walsh, Robbie Gleeson, Luke Carmichael, Callum Nankervis, Josh Freeman all 1 goal.

BEST: Dustin Baker, Jarrod Winzer, Will McNeil, Damien Tabakovic, Matt Gillespie, Jack Todd.

GO BLUES!

SENIORS:

Winchelsea Blues 11.11.77 defeated Corio Devils 7.11.53.

The Seniors also started in good fashion in their first quarter of Football. In a low scoring scrappy first half of footy the Blues had the lead at half time 3.6.24 to Corio's 1.9.15.

Clearly both Coaches had a few things to say in the half time break with the result of a better cleaner third quarter from both sides, the Blues prevailing on the scoreboard. The last quarter belonged to Corio outscoring the Blues but the home side got over the line with a comfortable win when the final siren went.

The Blues were still without a few of their regular side including Lachie Kendall who is so important for the Blues floating up and down on the wing week in week out. All hoping a speedy return for Lachie in the next coming weeks. Leigh Ellis kicking 5 for the second week in a row. Lachie Gemmill being best on for the Blues in a solid 4 quarter display.

GOALS: Leigh Ellis 5, Tom Rouget 2, Tavae Sauni, Caleb Brown, Jordan Huff, Ed Smith all one goal.

BEST: Lachie Gemmill, Luke Henry, Jonty Scott, Fin Parish, Ed Smith, Caleb Brown.



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I'm loving the new layout of the Star - it looks really fresh
and clean. Good job!

Cathy Cheadle

Thanks for the latest editions of the Winchelsea Star.
It is looking really great.

**Lesley Chrisite and Kim Johnston
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Blues News, Winchelsea Star

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This event is to help raise funds to maintain the station.

Relax in front of a warming open fire whilst enjoying
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You will be welcomed into the historic station building
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Around 5 pm, Hors D'oeuvres, a hot two course roast dinner
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New families welcome

Will you do your bit for the RSPCA Cupcake day?'



RSPCA Victoria is calling on all animal lovers to get baking this August for its tastiest annual fundraiser, Cupcake Day.

Sweet or savoury, all treats will be welcomed in offices, schools, and homes across the state with hundreds set to join the fight against animal cruelty by hosting their own event.

Bakers can host a Cupcake Day anytime in August, with hosts encouraged to register their event online to receive host tools and resources to promote their event and get people involved, plus they will go into the running to win from an exciting list of prizes.

Hosts and participants will be baking the world a butter place for thousands of animals, as they're encouraged to raise vital funds to support RSPCA Victoria's ongoing work to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome neglected, abused, and homeless animals.

RSPCA Victoria CEO Dr Liz Walker said every dollar raised helps fight animal cruelty across the state. "Animals make our lives better, and what easier way to help them than to share good treats with friends, family and colleagues while raising money for animals in need," Dr Walker said.

"Our community provides funding for 90% of the RSPCA's work in the state. Events like Cupcake Day are one way we can help care for our shelter animals, investigate reports of cruelty, provide community outreach programs to support pets and their people, and improve animal welfare."

Those who lack confidence in their baking can still help fight animal cruelty by purchasing a 'pupcake' from major sponsor Ferguson Plarre, with \$1 from every 'pupcake' sold from 1st August until 2nd September donated to RSPCA Victoria.

Ferguson Plarre Director and Chief Executive Officer Steve Plarre said the company has proudly signed on as a major Victorian sponsor for Cupcake Day for the fourth year in a row.

"We're a family of animal lovers, so the ability to combine that with our passion for baking makes Cupcake Day even sweeter," said Steve Plarre.

"Everyone at Ferguson Plarre is so proud to have the chance to support RSPCA Cupcake Day for the fourth time. It's wonderful to know that every Pupcake sold during August helps to safeguard animals across our state and we know it's something our customers love to support too."

How donations through Cupcake Day make a difference:

- \$36 provides an animal with a warm bed, love and care for one day in our shelter.
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- \$90 helps transport injured and abused animals to get medical care.
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To register, visit www.rspcacupcakeday.com.au



A new look branch for Winchelsea Community Bank

Kelly Turner

As we enter our 20th year of operation in Winchelsea the time has come for a major renovation.

The banking and finance industry has changed drastically over the past 20 years, we have made small changes to our branch through the years to adapt with these changes. This year we are due for an overhaul with a redesigned new look and feel, whilst bringing our electrical wiring and plumbing into the 21st century. We have designed all changes to ultimately provide a better banking experience for our customers and staff.

Unfortunately all good things take time, and the branch will be required to close for 5 weeks while the renovations are

completed. We understand the impact a closure of this length has on our customers and community and will do everything we can to accommodate our customers digitally and remotely.

Our Winchelsea Branch is owned and operated by Community Bank Surf Coast and our staff will be working from our other branches in Anglesea & Lorne, with our phones being operated by our Winchelsea staff working off-site. Our customers can also bank at other nearby Bendigo Bank sites such as the Colac Branch and Waurn Ponds Branch.

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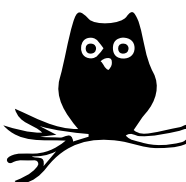
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How one was kept and one given away?'*

Local company Theatre of the Damned (TOTD) are bringing Willie Russell's 'Blood Brothers' to Geelong. Once again showing off lesser known musicals to Australian audiences, TOTD presents this wonderful musical set in Liverpool.

'Blood Brothers' premiered in 1983 in London's West End, and won the Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Musical. The musical enjoyed a 24 year long run in London's West End as well as a successful 2 year Broadway run starring Petula Clark.

In this contemporary 'nature versus nurture' story, fraternal twins Mickey and Eddie are separated at birth and grow up, unaware of their bond, in two different families, one rich and one poor. They meet on the street as children, discover they share a birthday and become 'blood brothers.' We get to know the seven-year olds playing on the streets, the fourteen-year olds getting into trouble and falling in love, and finally the twenty-somethings coming to terms with adulthood.

When the brothers fall in love with the same girl it causes the fatal rift in their friendship leading to a desperate, tragic climax. We get a glimpse of the English class system of the times, the poverty, opulence, hardship, education systems and the inequalities of life, as we are swept along with the Johnstone and Lyons families side by side.

In the spirit of community, Torquay Theatre Troupe have donated their set from a recent production of 'The Lonesome West' which may otherwise have ended up in landfill. Assisted by members of both theatre companies, the set was dismantled, loaded onto Tony's trailer, and transported to Geelong.

Those familiar with Russell's other work most notably 'Shirley Valentine' and 'Educating Rita' will enjoy this poignant musical.

If you would like to see this show, support local theatre, and have a unique night out, get your tickets through Trybooking, : <https://www.trybooking.com/CFSQB>

Tony Dahl

These two boys will make you laugh and cry telling the story of the Johnstone twins

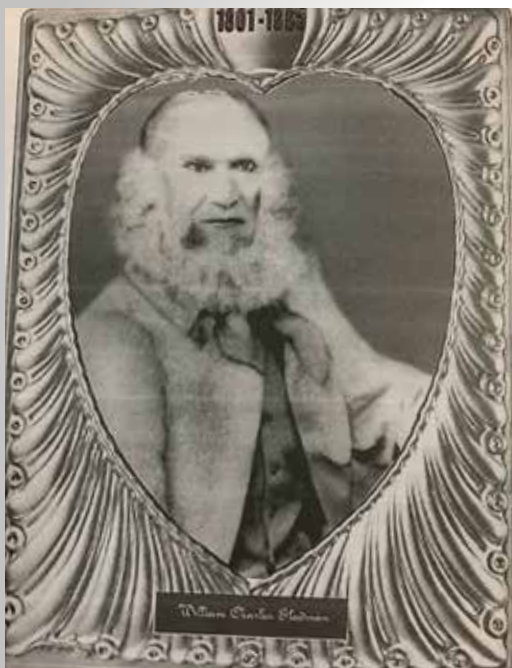
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Real Estate agents who underquote get caught

Real estate agents who tried to dupe Victorians by underquoting on properties have been found out by a taskforce established by the State Government to protect buyers.

The Consumer Affairs Victoria underquoting taskforce tracked hundreds of sales campaigns in 2022-23, attending auctions and inspecting agents' premises, often after receiving tip-offs from members of the public.

Minister for Consumer Affairs Danny Pearson said unscrupulous agents were on notice and the results produced by the taskforce showed businesses looking to take advantage of home-buyers were playing a high-risk game.

In the 12 months to June 30, Consumer Affairs Victoria inspectors issued 48 underquoting infringement notices totalling more than \$520,000 and issued 37 official warnings to 29 estate agencies.

Underquoting distorts the property market and can waste time and money for people looking to buy a home.

It is illegal to advertise or advise a price that is less than the seller's asking price,

the agent's current estimated selling price, or price in a written offer already rejected by the seller. Agents must update the price information they provide to buyers if any of these things change during the sales campaign.

Agencies that do the wrong thing face penalties of more than \$36,000 and the loss of sales commissions.

Underquoting can also result in penalties under the Australian Consumer Law of up to \$10 million for corporations and \$500,000 for individuals.

Data collected from complaints submitted to the Consumer Affairs Victoria website enables the taskforce to identify the locations and agents with the highest amount of suspected underquoting, with inspectors increasing their compliance activities in those areas by attending auctions and inspecting agent sales files.

Victorians can report suspected cases of underquoting to Consumer Affairs Victoria by visiting the website or calling 1300 55 81 81.

For more information, visit consumer.vic.gov.au/housing/buying-and-selling-property.

Petition to halt Transmission projects

The Victorian Farmers Federation has launched a petition to the Victorian Parliament calling for VNI West and Western Renewables Link transmission projects to be stopped.

VFF President Emma Germano said "We're hoping to deliver a message to government from hundreds of people that these projects must be stopped and reassessed, before it's too late."

"It's clear the Victorian Government has failed to adequately plan for the transition to renewable energy and this will have big impacts on food and fibre production and regional communities."

"What's worse is the appalling treatment of farmers and regional communities and the failed consultative approach undertaken by energy authorities and the government."

"We want to see the planning powers of the Australian Energy Market Operator rescinded and for the government take full responsibility for planning of transmission infrastructure."

Ms Germano said government must look at all alternatives to the current projects, including the plan set out by the Victorian Energy Policy Centre.

Aged Care Taskforce principles welcomed by National Seniors

National Seniors Australia welcomes the announcement of the Aged Care Taskforce draft aged care principles.

Chief Advocate Ian Henschke said these guiding principles will help drive the much-needed reforms and reflect what our members and the wider community have been telling us for years.

"Older people tell us they want to stay in their own home and not go into an aged care home, so we're pleased this is one of the key priorities," Mr Henschke said.

"We also have long called for a simpler, fairer, more transparent system. This is now listed as a key part of the way forward. Most importantly, accountability for all funding received is now enshrined, so taxpayers and recipients of care can have confidence in the system they pay for.

"These principles are a good way to start the funding reform process, along with the commitment to community consultation. Older people, their families and the community should have their faith restored in aged care, which is a fundamental part of Australia's health care system."

- 1 The aged care system should enable and encourage participants to remain in their home for as long as they wish and can do so.
- 2 Aged care funding arrangements and their outcomes should be fair, simple, transparent and sustainable.
- 3 Government is and will continue to be the major funder of aged care. Government funding should be focused on care costs. Personal contributions should be focused on

accommodation and everyday living costs with a sufficient safety net.

- 4 Government and participant contributions should be sufficient to provide quality and appropriate care delivered by a skilled workforce, allowing and encouraging innovation by the health, hospital and aged care systems.
- 5 There should be accountability for funding received from government and participants, how it is spent, and the quality of the services provided.
- 6 The residential sector should have access to sufficient, and new, capital to encourage the development of new accommodation and upgrades to existing accommodation.



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Could virtual fencing be an option in Victoria?'



Momentum is growing for a national animal welfare code that could pave the way for virtual fencing across Australian farming businesses.

Each state has its own animal welfare code and while virtual fencing is allowed in other states, it is outlawed in Victoria and South Australia.

With support from the DemoDAIRY Foundation, several South-west Victorian dairy farmers recently learnt about the potential benefits of virtual fencing to manage herd grazing and movement during a New Zealand study tour.

One of the farm consultants leading the SW Farm Business Discussion Group, Angus Drummond, said there was a lot of interest in a farm using a Halter collar app for virtual fencing, prompting a suggestion to lobby the State Government to allow their use in Victoria.

Virtual fencing was also highlighted during a recent dairy innovation day at Mount Gambier. Dairy Australia Principal Scientist, John Penry, said a study completed in 2021 into virtual fencing was positive about the technology. "Dairy Australia's role is to point to the evidence base and that four-year study is still relevant. Whilst today's technology might be a slightly differently designed collar, the premise for how it works is still the same. Based on overseas and Australian experiences, it's a reasonable option."

Since completing the study, the commercial company involved has focused on applications in the northern beef industry. "Unfortunately, animal welfare codes differ between states," Dr Penry said. "Presently any virtual herding technology relies on an electrical pulse and audible warning. This technology can be used in other states but not Victoria and South Australia because it doesn't fit within their animal welfare codes," Dr Penry said.

Halter representatives and a farmer in their testing program attended the South Australian dairy innovation day, creating strong interest. "There is definitely interest around how farmers could use that sort of technology to make grazing management simpler and less time consuming, particularly during the calving period," Dr Penry said. "The technology by and large seems to work and there are relatively few animals that can't be trained on it. A next step for Australia would be to get a more homogenised between-states animal welfare code".

Dr Penry said Dairy Australia believed it would be in the country's best interests to have uniform animal welfare codes between the states. "That's not specifically about virtual fencing but as a general principle," he said.

DemoDAIRY Foundation is keen to support south-west Victorian dairy farmers to improve their knowledge and advance their careers. More information about support from the DemoDAIRY Foundation can be found at <https://www.demodairy.com.au/scholarships-and-grants/> or from DDF secretary Ian Teese on 0427 358987 or itag@bigpond.com.

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