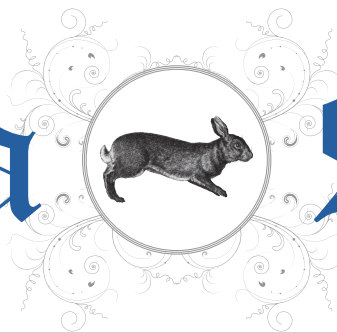


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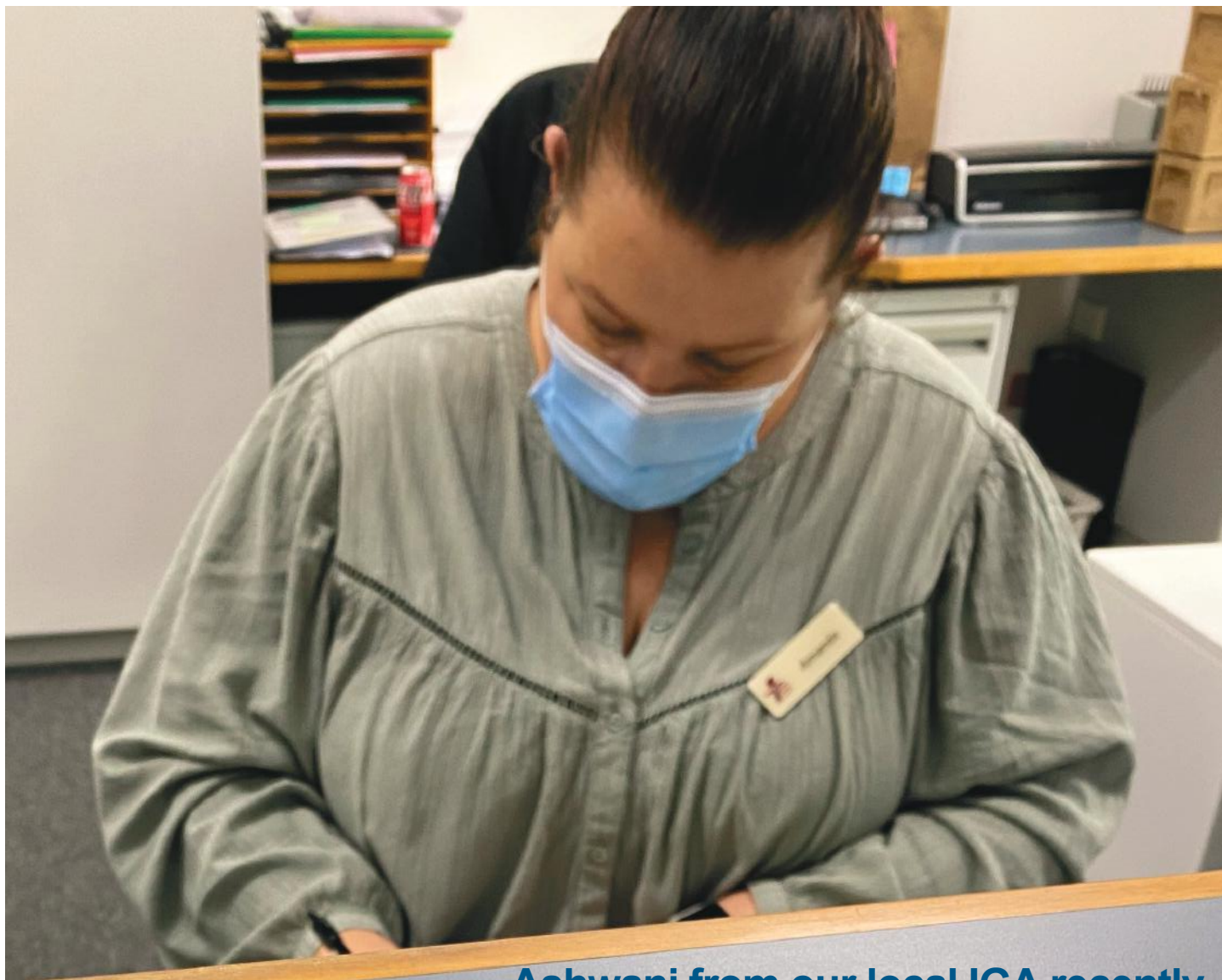
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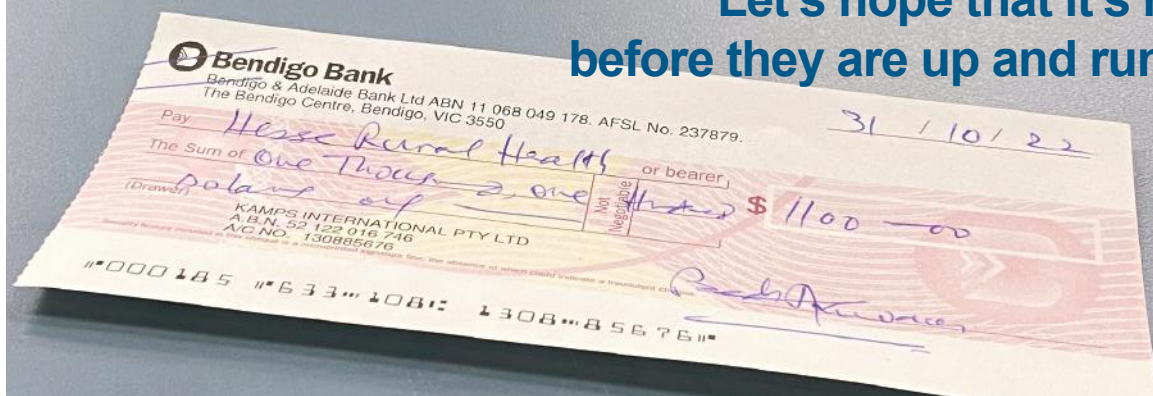
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Other policies that will benefit the people of Winchelsea include building more accessible, affordable and sustainable public homes, limiting rent increases and regulating the short stay industry to free up housing for people who want to live and work in our community. More bike infrastructure, EV chargers and increasing public transport will allow us to rely less on our vehicles.

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Richard Riordan Member for Polwarth



As a lifelong local I am committed to our amazing region and my vision for Polwarth is: A sustainable and economically diverse region with healthy people and a resilient environment.

Winchelsea residents and those in surrounding areas tell me they want safe roads, fit for purpose community facilities, better health and aged care services, lower taxes, reduced costs of housing and living, amongst a range of other issues.

I am committed to a fairer share for Winchelsea and country Victoria. A Liberal Government has a 25% of infrastructure commitment to be spent in the country, not the 10% or less it has been under Labor. A Liberal Government will shelve the \$35b Box Hill train, and instead spend an extra \$10b over 10 years on increased State roads maintenance as well as an extra \$18m over the next 4 years for Polwarth Shire roads. A commitment to a new women's and children's hospital in Geelong with accessible parking will be a huge benefit to the Winchelsea community.

The Liberals plan for a Geelong metro train service will see \$2 return trips to Geelong, and six services a day from Geelong to Colac. A four-year halving of V/line fares will see Winchelsea more affordably connected to the rest of Victoria.

If re-elected I have also committed \$2.5m to build a new community pavilion at the Birregurra Recreation Reserve and \$250,000 for the Victorian Lakes Pipeline Project Study, supporting agriculture, tourism and recreation in the region, by bringing reclaimed water back to Winchelsea and Lake Modewarre.

I have also committed the Liberals to bringing reform to local Government. Many country Victorians want a fairer and more transparent rates system that treats all homeowners, businesses, and farmers fairly. Its time to end the uncertainty in our yearly rate notices.

This November I respectfully ask for your vote.

Hutch Hussein Labour for Polwarth



Hutch Hussein wants to deliver a better future for the people of Polwarth including Winchelsea residents. She's standing as the Labor candidate because she wants to be a direct voice to government for the many people in the region who've been neglected by poor local representation.

At this election, as a marginal seat, Polwarth residents have the opportunity to elect a direct voice and advocate to Government - someone who won't just promise, but actually be able to deliver a better future for Polwarth.

Hutch lives in Torquay with her young family. Trained as a social worker, Hutch has spent her working life, spanning more than two decades, empowering young people, those experiencing family violence and people from refugee backgrounds.

Hutch has held senior management roles, including as a Deputy CEO, in leading community organisations and charities as well as serving as a Ministerial Policy Adviser. Locally, she serves on her children's School Council, convenes the Surf Coast Rainbow Families Group and sits on the Executive of Dyslexia Support Victoria.

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For Winchelsea in particular, Labor has already announced exciting news for residents, businesses and visitors, through a \$330,000 grant for Surf Coast Shire Council to undertake Stage 2 of the Barwon River Loop Walk. The final stage of this 2km walk will connect the four quadrants of Winchelsea together and deliver health benefits for locals by increasing physical activity and use of the Barwon River. It will also improve the visitor experience at one of the region's key tourist stopping points and increase economic activity locally.



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Victoria currently has no mandatory welfare standards that racing trainers, owners and industry workers must follow, despite research indicating 76% of voters[1] support their introduction.

RSPCA Victoria CEO Dr Liz Walker said surveys show animal welfare is a priority for voters in the upcoming election and more must be done to address public concerns about racehorse welfare.

“Currently in Victoria, legal protection for racehorses is limited to the minimal requirements under Victoria’s animal welfare legislation. While there are industry-regulated rules of racing, they are not sufficient to protect the welfare of racehorses throughout their lifecycle and are not enshrined in legislation so can be changed by industry at any time,” said Dr Walker.

“We currently have a non-mandatory code under the Prevention of Cruelty to

Animals Act (1986) but it only outlines provisions for the needs of horses in general not the very specific needs of horses participating in the racing industry. This contrasts with other areas such as farming and animal research where specific welfare standards must be met.

“Furthermore, horses can live for a long time – long after they finish their racing careers, and presently the industry is not responsible for racehorses after they finish racing.

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Winch House Chair's Report

**Tony Phelps,
Oversight Committee Chair**

It was great to be able to hold this year's AGM in-person. I'd like to start with a note of gratitude for 2 sets of people;

Firstly – those who work & volunteer at Winch House, and who have worked through, around, and with all the restrictions, disruptions and difficulties that came from staff shortages, constant Covid testing, occasional isolations, the normal leave & holiday time off, and now the reintroduction of colds and flu! Although much better than last year, there have certainly been times when it has been a struggle to keep Winch House operating – no different to many other workplaces. I'd like to especially thank our Manager, Wendy, for a contribution well and truly above and beyond anything we would expect or ask for.



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Secondly – our Committee members who have all enthusiastically participated whenever they could. Amanda, Vee, Simone, Robyn, Monique and new Treasurer Madeline. It's a group that has come together in a definite 2+2=5 kind of way. You can be confident that the ship called Winchelsea Community House is having its path through these 'interesting times' set by a capable and passionate Committee. I have genuinely been thrilled with how each Committee member has had an effect on where we're headed.

Our biggest change for 2022, and our biggest challenge, is our expansion into the former Winchelsea Shire Hall, aka the Tearooms. As planned, 2022 has

been our year of experimentation, consultation, trying to find out what that space can successfully and sustainably accommodate. I'd like to make sure that everyone is aware that the Shire Hall has a 3-year subsidy courtesy of the Surf Coast Shire ratepayers, during which time we need to learn how to be certain that all associated costs for occupying the Shire Hall will be covered. The largest element of that is someone to handle and promote the space – I'm sure you will have come across Jill who has taken on that role. Jill has made a wonderful start, all I can say is ... "Watch this space"! There is much more to come for the Shire Hall.

As per tradition, I will close with a big "Thankyou" to the people and organisations that enable Winch House to be what it is. Committee, staff, volunteers, all those who visit and participate, Surf Coast Shire, state and federal agencies, charities and grant funders. Special mention to the Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal and their donors The William Buckland Foundation and Equity Trustees, for a \$9,000 grant towards renovating the Shire Hall kitchen. We are hoping to have a commercial coffee machine going again in the very near future!

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Other activities include the 2022 Pollinator Photography Competition,



Pollinator Picnics and Bee School, along with webinars on Powerful Pollinators, the Discover Bees campaign, Pollinator Photography and Bee Friendly Gardening, plus activities including bee hotel workshops, a native bees book launch and more.

Australian Pollinator Week was founded by Dr Megan Halcroft and is dedicated to raising awareness of Australia's unique pollinators and the role they play in supporting our local ecosystems.

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Voices of Wannon - helping voters decide

Voices of Wannon, a community group established to promote participatory democracy in the Federal Electorate of Wannon, is helping voters decide how to vote in the State election by publishing candidates' information on its website.

Jim Gifford, a "Voices" Committee member said, the Group is committed to improving the connection between voters and their elected representatives". "Democracy is best served when voters know their elected members understand community needs and are committed to addressing them."

In the May 2022 Federal elections, Voices of Wannon endorsed Alex Dyson as its independent candidate. A strong local campaign saw Wannon change from a safe Liberal seat to a marginal electorate.

Mr Gifford said that the Group was formed within the Federal electorate boundary and had decided not to endorse candidates in the State electorates it overlaps. Instead, it is helping improve communications between voters and candidates. The Federal seat of Wannon covers all or part of the State electorates of Lowan, Polwarth, Ripon and South West Coast.

Voices of Wannon has already hosted a very successful candidates forum in Port Fairy for South West Coast, the only state electorate falling fully within

Wannon, with six candidates and 60 members of the community attending the respectful and informative event.

As a further initiative, candidates in the four South West Victorian electorates have been invited to provide information for publication on the Voices website at voicesofwannon.net

Most candidates have already provided information and it has been published.

"Candidates were asked to explain how they will address the five policy priorities identified by Voices for Wannon" Mr Gifford said. The five priorities were identified through Kitchen Table Conversations with residents across Wannon during 2021. They are:

1. Real and urgent action on climate change
2. Improving integrity and transparency in government
3. Treating refugees and people seeking asylum with compassion
4. Increasing the availability of affordable and social housing
5. Improving access to health services, in particular mental health services.

A report on the Kitchen Table Conversations and the policy priorities, titled "What Wannon Wants" is published on the Voices of Wannon Website.

For more information, please call Jim Gifford, spokesperson, Voices of Wannon on 0428 248 824.

Overseas and interstate voting options for holidaying Victorians

Victorians who will be interstate or overseas on election day – Saturday 26 November – should check voting services available to them.

Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately urged voters to act now to avoid missing out. Applications for postal voting in the November election are available online.

Voters who are interstate can request a postal vote online and have it mailed to their interstate location. If they prefer to vote in person, they can attend any interstate electoral commission from Monday 14 to Friday 25 November.

Voters who are travelling or living overseas will also be able to apply for a postal vote and can request to receive their ballot pack by email. Completed ballot papers can either be mailed back to Victoria, or dropped at one of several overseas locations for a faster return via diplomatic pouch. Overseas drop-off locations can be found on the VEC's online Voting Centre Locator maps. vec.vic.gov.au/elections

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A large variety of books (including novels and non-fiction) will be available for purchase at \$2 per book. EFTPOS will be available.

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DHJP Calls for Free Council Registration for Sup-Pawt Dogs

State Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (DHJP), Stuart Grimley MP, is calling for the Victorian government to take action to exempt all psychiatric assistance dogs from registration fees. If the Government reject the policy, DHJP will seek to pass a Private Members' Bill if they are elected.

Currently the only exemption from dog registration fees in Victoria applies to guide dogs and dogs for the hearing impaired, under the Domestic Animals Act (the Act).

The issue with this is that this does not explicitly include all assistance animals. Such animals are widely accepted in the community and are providing many

people valuable support for varied reasons. This includes those with physical disabilities and veterans of the Australian Defence Force and Victoria Police who are suffering with PTSI* and related mental health conditions. In some circumstances, these dogs have been credited with saving lives.

Section 7 of the Act specifies only guide dogs and dogs for the hearing impaired as being eligible for exemption from registration fees. Those, for example, who have dogs to assist them with their PSTI, are discriminated against.

A select few councils in Victoria already provide zero registration fees for accredited psychiatric assistance dogs, including Mornington Peninsula Shire, Horsham Rural City, Port Philip City and Wodonga Councils.

A simple language change referring to

the broader category of 'Assistance Animals' is what is required in the Act. New South Wales have already made such a change, exempting all assistance animals from registration fees.

Rather than take action to fix this now, the government says it wants to wait to see the outcomes of a whole-of-government working group. This working group has been in place for some time already with no date set to deliver its report. The Humans Rights Commission pointed out these discriminations against some disabled people as far back as 2016.

If re-elected, the Private Members' Bill will be drafted and presented to the Parliament within the first year.

*using the term Post Traumatic Stress Injury as opposed to 'Disorder' reduces the stigma associated with PTSI

ADF appoints Stephen Sheridan as CEO

Australian Dairy Farmers (ADF) welcomes Mr Stephen Sheridan to the role of CEO.

Mr Sheridan has an extensive background in agriculture with a career spanning 30 years in both corporate and non-for-profit (NFP) agricultural management positions. He is a former CEO of the Victorian Farmers Federation and a current director of Rural Financial Counselling Service Victoria West.

Growing up on a mixed cropping, livestock and irrigation property, Mr Sheridan's love for all things dairy and agriculture was fostered from a young age.

"Stephen has breadth and depth of corporate and NFP experience, as well as expertise and vision that align with where our Board wants to see ADF in the future," says Mr Gladigau.

"I am eager to better understand and meet the challenges faced by the sector, including the immediate impact of current flooding in eastern states, biosecurity risks such as foot-and-mouth and lumpy skin disease, increasing costs of production and equitable pricing, through to the challenges faced



by us all to reduce our carbon footprint and improve our environmental stewardship."

Mr Sheridan says his priority is to "engage with our farmers, members, industry groups and government to understand these immediate and longer-term challenges and opportunities".



"My goal is that ADF is an effective advocacy organisation, focused on the sustainability of Australian dairy farmers supplying the dairy products we know and love," he says.

An extensive search was conducted across the second half of 2022, revealing a substantial number of applicants from within and external to the dairy sector.

SES and EPA work together on floodwater contamination research

The Victoria State Emergency Service, the Environment Protection Agency and Natural Hazards Research Australia are actively working together to better understand and characterise possible contamination issues that may be presented by Victoria's continuing flood emergency, and any associated pollutants.

Since Monday 31 October, VICSES members have been collecting samples of floodwaters from impacted regions and waterways across Victoria, to further understand the level of risk to human health and the environment.

EPA have prioritised testing these samples for bacteria (E. coli, an indicator for faecal contamination) and a range of trace elements (such as metals and metalloids) and contaminants (organic chemicals such as pesticides, perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), and petroleum hydrocarbons).

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Leila Isobel Forster

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Leila passed away in Queensland . She was living with her daughter Kerry.

Leila lived in Wurdale with her parents, brother Nelson and sister Shirley (Worland). All deceased.

Leila married Ron on 20-4-50. They had two children Trevor and Kerry, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Ron passed away in 2001.

Leila lived a very busy life, her church was an important part of it, she helped when Bill Schroeter ran a catering service for the district for the C.O.E. She and Ron also played tennis for the church.

When she finished up she played for Winchelsea in polworth which became coastal association.

At that time there was 6 junior and 6 senior teams and mid week. Leila did all the recordings for the club for many years, also helping with juniors. She was a life member.

Winchelsea Shire started home care and meals on wheels. Leila was first co-ordinator.

Repertory, Leila was prompt for the plays right from the beginning.

She also took cubs for a time.

Senior Citizens. Leila was treasurer from 1991- 2013 and a life member.

What a busy life she led.

Kerry is bringing her ashes down to be with Ron and everyone is invited.

The date is

**Thursday December 1st.
10am at the cemetery, then
back at the Senior Citizens.**

**The family would like
to say Hello.**

A Tribute to John Bumford

With the sad passing of our friend and valued member of the Men's Shed we would like to acknowledge the work he did for us and pass on our deepest sympathies to his family.

The Winchelsea Men's Shed

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Friday 10.00 am - Know Your Bible.

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Baptism preparation is on the first Tuesday of the month at St Mary MacKillop Church, Bannockburn.

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Thought for the Week

Let your tears flow forth honestly within your own soul, with trusted persons, and before God.

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John Bader (Lay Preacher)
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Accessible walk an important step for local carers

Local carers are invited to take part in the inaugural Surf Coast Pathways for Carers - a free walking event that offers carers an opportunity to connect with each other, connect with nature, and learn about services and supports available to them.

The first Pathways for Carers event will be held in Anglesea on Monday 21

November, as part of Surf Coast Shire Council's recognition of the 2022 International Day of People with Disability.

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Increased recycled water storage lagoon levels are due to the combination of extreme weather and high winter rainfall, with Birregurra and

Winchelsea each receiving more than twice their average rainfall during October.

At Winchelsea, the maximum daily inflows during October this year have doubled compared to the same time last year.

Barwon Water will manage the amount of Class C recycled water that will enter the river without causing downstream impacts with current river water levels.

Class C recycled water will be released at a ratio that ensures it effectively disperses into the river water as it travels downstream, a minimum dilution rate of 1 in 100.



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November 18th-27th.

November 18th

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Opening reception, by Adrian Schonfelder.

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November 19th-26th.

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November 27th 4pm-

6.30.

Closing Reception

Awards presentation ceremony.

Printed images will be available for purchase.

Awards.

All Ages

- Best photo.
- Best Pet.
- Spirit of Winchelsea.
- Peoples choice.

Junior

- 1st prize.
- 2nd prize.
- 3rd prize.

ENTRIES CLOSED

November
4th 2022

Dont Put Up With Headaches ... What You Can Do

Do you suffer from Headaches?

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- Drinking 2 litres of water for every 30 kg you weight.
- Minimising social media /computer time and having correct posture during this time.

Did you know HEADACHES are a symptom not a diagnosis? If these three things have not worked for you then its likely that tension and misalignment through your neck and spine are the cause.

What does this mean? Well it means we may be able to help. It means that instead of accepting them as a normal part of life and suffering or covering them up with potentially harmful medication, we can investigate their potential source?

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COVID-19

Chief Health Officer Update

There were 16,636 COVID-19 cases reported in Victoria this week, an increase of 63.1 per cent on the previous week. The average daily number of new cases this week was 2,377, up from 1,461 last week.

The number of active cases in Victoria on Friday was 15,653, up from 9,607 the same time last week.

The seven-day rolling average of patients with COVID-19 in Victorian hospitals is 274, an 18.1 per cent increase when compared to the same time last week. There are currently 277 COVID-19 patients in Victorian hospitals, including 8 COVID patients in intensive care and 1 cleared case in intensive care. There is 1 COVID-19 patient on a ventilator. The seven-day rolling average of patients in intensive care in Victorian hospitals is 11.

In the past three months, 3,365 COVID-19 patients were hospitalised in Victoria. 42.3 per cent of those patients had not received their third vaccine dose. 1,017 (30.2 per cent) were unvaccinated, 25 had received one dose, 383 had two doses, 851 had received three doses and 1,089 had received four doses.

Of Victorians aged 50 to 64 years, 79.8 per cent have had their third dose and 29 per cent have had their recommended fourth dose. Of those aged over 65, 90.7 per cent have had their third dose and 66.7 per cent have had their fourth dose. 70.1 per cent of people aged 16 and over in Victoria are up to date and have had three doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

A total of 41 COVID-19 related deaths were reported to the Department in the past week. An average of 6 deaths were reported each day in the past week. There has been a 46.7 per cent decrease in the number of COVID-19 related deaths in the past month when

compared to the previous month.

In the past three months, there have been 795 COVID-19 related deaths in Victoria. Of those deaths, 48.2 per cent had not received their third COVID-19 vaccine dose. 314 (39.5 per cent) were unvaccinated, 3 had received one dose, 66 had two doses, 151 had received three doses and 261 had received four doses.

The total number of COVID-related deaths in Victoria since the pandemic began is 5,900. The number of COVID-related deaths recorded in Victoria so far this year is 4,291.

COVID-19 epidemiological summary
Reported COVID-19 cases and hospitalisations increased again this week, driven by the emerging Omicron subvariants including BQ.1 and XBB.

There is currently no evidence to suggest these subvariants cause more severe disease. However, hospitalisation rates are likely increasing due to waning immunity from past vaccination and the ability of these new subvariants to escape immunity from past infection.

Cases increased this week across all age groups.

The overall number of COVID patients in intensive care remains low, however the daily average has increased by more than 50 per cent when compared to last week.

The BA.4 and BA.5 subvariants, which have driven the previous wave, are no longer dominant, accounting for 48.1 per cent of clinical genomic sequences in the week ending 2 November. They have been replaced by the continued growth of multiple subvariants including BQ.1, XBB and BF.7 over the past 5 weeks, which now show a combined prevalence of approximately 24 per cent and BA.2.75 a prevalence of 25.3 per cent in clinical samples. BF.7 is another rapidly growing subvariant of BA.5.

Surf Coast Shire's annual report shows a year of achievement

From taking important steps on the reconciliation journey and delivering valued new community spaces, to environmental leadership and key advocacy campaigns - Surf Coast Shire Council's recent achievements have been highlighted in the 2021-22 Annual Report.

Surf Coast Shire Council Mayor Libby Stapleton said the report reflected Council's many achievements during the past 12 months, along with the challenges ahead.



"The 2021-22 period saw the delivery of some key community projects including Lorne's Stribling Reserve Pavilion, Winchelsea's refurbished Shire Hall, the Deans Marsh Festival Stand and the Jan Juc Yellow Gums Performance Space, just to name a few," Cr Stapleton said.

"Concept plans for the Surf Coast Cultural Centre and Surf Coast Aquatic and Health Centre were finalised, and advocacy campaigns seeking funding for both were initiated and continue to gain momentum."

The Annual Report also highlights Council's deep commitment to its reconciliation journey through dedicated events and by working closely with Traditional Owners on projects and education programs.

Sustainability gains for Council are outlined, with 2021-22 recorded as Council's first full carbon-neutral year for corporate operations under the national Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard.

Other steps forward include Council's adoption of an emissions reduction target of zero by 2030 for its corporate operations, excluding the Anglesea landfill.

The 2021-22 period also featured Council's resolution to seek urgent investigation into the health of Anglesea River, and the impacts of groundwater extraction, land use and climate change on its catchment.

Upper Barwon Landcare and Kathy Gabriel introduce Horse and Livestock-Focused Land Stewardship Workshops

Upper Barwon Landcare Network are hosting their Horse and Other Livestock Owners Workshop Series Introductory Session on 15 November, 6:30pm at RGR Arena as part of the Small Blocks Big Dreams project to empower small landholders to become land stewards.

Young farmer Kathy Gabriel will be in attendance as a guest speaker to share her experience and knowledge as a regenerative farmer.

Miss Gabriel manages a Hereford beef property in High Country Victoria who combines her love of horses with her passion for agriculture.

She has also participated twice in the Mongol Derby, most recently in 2022, the world's longest and toughest horse race, racing 1000km across Mongolia on semi wild horses.



Small landholders in the Corangamite region now have the chance to be land management champions just like Miss Gabriel, with Upper Barwon Landcare and project partners working to deliver this new land stewardship project.

Upper Barwon Landcare Network Facilitator, Andrea Montgomery, says these workshops are what horse and other livestock owners across the region need to learn about how best to keep their land, horse/s and livestock healthy.

The information session will highlight what participants will learn throughout the series of four workshops on topics such as pasture, soil and water management, weed control and more.

The Horse and Other Livestock Owners Workshop Series is one landholder group out of three that are part of the Small Blocks Big Dreams project with the workshops to run from February to April 2023.

First Ever Native Stubble Quail Count in Victoria Finds Only 101 Birds Hunting regulator accused of bias - extrapolates number to over 3 million

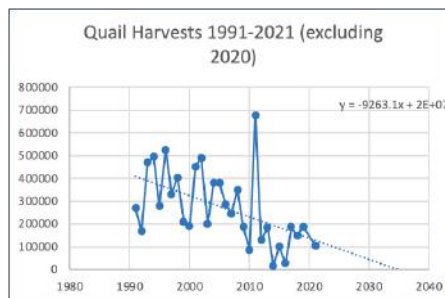
For 25% of each year in Victoria, little native Stubble Quail are pummeled with shotgun pellets in the name of recreation, despite government data on harvest estimates showing a worrying long-term decline in the bird's numbers.

Game Management Authority (GMA) arranged a first-ever count of the birds in Victoria early this year, and the resultant report it assisted in drafting, has recently been published.

The report's authors have admitted only 101 birds were counted, yet the figure was extrapolated via complex methodologies up to an extraordinary estimate of 3.1 million.

Regional Victorians Opposed to Duck Shooting inc, (RVOTDS), believes the report is not only unreliable, but clear evidence the "independent" regulator is biased and unable to effectively do its job.

"For a start, the report says quail



shooting is "popular", when less than 0.03 percent of the population participate in it" says Elizabeth McCann, Campaign Director RVOTDS. "In our group alone we have far more supporters than that who are vehemently opposed to the pastime, believing it cruel and destructive. Aside from hunter trespass issues, who wants toxic lead pumped around their paddocks?"

As for accuracy, the report's authors have previously stated that a coefficient of variation should not exceed 15% for results to be acceptable. (Abundance estimates of game ducks in Victoria, Ramsey and Fanson 2022, p 14-15). However in this quail report, there's a

coefficient of variation of 29%, in other words, the estimate of 3.1 million quail is unreliable.

To support its claims of bird numbers, the report references a survey in SA which found the stubble quail to be "abundant". But the report fails to mention that survey was performed by members of shooting clubs, and was described as lacking scientific vigour.

In an email exchange late September, the regulator advised "Long-term harvest records show no ongoing decline in harvest, which can be used as a proxy to monitor abundance". But data published on government websites (see graph), shows long term harvest decline.

The regulator has been quick to publish the report's estimate for stubble quail population, failing to detail its shortcomings, suggesting it could be an underestimate. No answer has been forthcoming from the regulator about why it couldn't also be an overestimate given its acknowledged inaccuracy. The report has not been subject to an independent peer review.

People's Choice winner announced for 2023 Surf Coast Community Arts Calendar

Karen Harding's Sunrise Beach Walk has been voted the People's Choice cover winner for the 2023 Surf Coast Community Arts Calendar.

Both in-person and online votes were tallied to determine which local artist's work would land the cover of next year's community calendar.

The 12 artists who will feature in the calendar were determined by a judging panel.

Ms Harding is an artist whose work is inspired by shapes and colours in the local environment. She has recently started experimenting with landscapes, having previously focused on portraiture. "I used a palette knife in a playful way to show the colour and movement in the cloudy sky reflecting the vibrant colours on the rippling waves," she said of her submission, which took out the People's Choice award with 86 votes.

About 450 people had taken the opportunity to visit Anglesea Art Space to experience in-person the work of the 96 artists, while more than 5,000 viewed the exhibition online.



The 13 artists to feature in the 2023 calendar are:

- Karen Harding – People's Choice cover winner - Sunrise Beach Walk (oil)
- Emilia Bennett – Point Addis (watercolour)
- Archie Sullivan – Sunset Boxing on our Land (collage)
- Tony Digger Gilson – Bunyip (carved sculpture)

- Daniela Rodriguez – Impermanence (photograph)
- Clancy Morrissey – Peace Dove (collage)
- Shane Jacobsen – The Joyful Spinner (mixed media)
- Kim Layton – Winter Solstice Swim (pastel)
- Pat McKenzie – Aireys' Cliffs (watercolour)
- Marion Smith – Blue Gum (sterling silver)
- Bridie Murphy – A Quiet Time (watercolour)
- Peter Day – GasBoy is the Nervous Type (Found Object Sculpture)
- Meaghan Shelton – Self Made Woman (acrylic)

The 2023 Surf Coast Community Arts Calendar will be available at outlets across the shire in the first week of December, including Council office in Torquay, visitor information centres, Anglesea Art Space, township post offices and general stores.

Busiest month on record for VICSES Volunteers

October 2022 has been the busiest month in history for the Victoria State Emergency Service (VICSES), with volunteers responding to a staggering 13, 705 RFA's (requests for assistance).

It's almost a 28 percent increase on the previous record of 10,740 requests, set in June 2021.

SES volunteers have been tirelessly working to provide emergency assistance during October's significant and extensive flooding rains, storms, and destructive winds.

The busiest volunteer units during October have included: Shepparton and

Tatura (over 1,600) Echuca (650 RFAs), Bendigo (482), Rochester (462) and Kerang (232).

It follows two of the three busiest years on record for VICSES with 2020-21 the busiest financial year in the organisation's history which included the response to the June 2021 storm.

VICSES Chief Officer, Operations, Tim Wiebusch says he's incredibly proud of the resilience and dedication of the five thousand SES volunteers across Victoria.

Victorians are incredibly grateful for the effort and commitment of both local and deployed SES volunteers during this record-breaking month. The role of their employers and families who enable our volunteers to respond to emergencies is also invaluable.

Victoria SES operates 150 units across six regions. Rochester Unit Controller, Tim Williams, says in his years living in

the region, he has never encountered anything like it. Tim and his team kept working to ensure the safety of others while knowing that his own property was at risk.

The record-breaking month is a timely reminder for Victorians to download the VicEmergency app for warning and advice messaging and check the VicTraffic mobile app or website before travelling for updates on road closures, hazards and to consider alternative journeys.

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Safe and high quality healthcare for all Victorians is a priority of the Department of Health. Applicants must be able to demonstrate and provide evidence in support of the capabilities they identify in their applications.

The Department of Health is committed to ensuring boards, and committees, reflect the rich diversity of the Victorian community. We encourage applications from women, people of all ages, Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and from lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, gender diverse, intersex and queer people.

Applications close at **Midnight Monday 21 November 2022.**

Further information including how to apply, please visit www.health.vic.gov.au/board-applications

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