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## Surf Coast Arts Trail 2024

This weekend Saturday and Sunday 3-4 August, fifty four venues across Surf Coast Shire will open their doors to welcome you.

In 2024 the Arts Trail will showcase over 200 artists' painting, sculpture, jewellery, weaving, photography, print-making, ceramics, and mosaics.

To find out about the artists, visit the Arts Trail website and download your program and map [surfcoastartstrail.com.au/](http://surfcoastartstrail.com.au/)

Look for the pink flags outside our artists' studios and pop in to your neighbours in Buckley, Gherang, Deans Marsh and Bamba.



While Dee Matheson is passionate about painting various subjects such as landscapes, trees and native flora, each offering its unique challenges and rewards, birds hold a special place in her heart. Living on a property surrounded by trees, her garden is always filled with birds providing a constant source of inspiration.

# Donate your bottle and cans refunds at the local container recycling machine to Winchelsea Lions Club

Linda Carter

Winchelsea Lions have made arrangements for you to donate your bottle and cans refunds at the local container recycling machine to our Lions Club. We have named it Winchelsea Lions Community Fundraiser. Our target is to raise \$500 in 12 months to help wherever needed in our community.

Winchelsea Lions are always working hard to raise funds for both local and national needs. See us pictured on Saturday at one of our regular days at Bunnings Torquay. Despite the terrible weather we had another successful and fun day. Many thanks to you all for your constant support it is greatly appreciated. Don't forget our shredded paper bricks to supplement your wood on these chilly days. Available at the paper shed.



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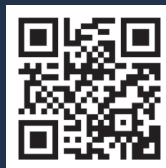
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Textile Artist Gillian Farrow. Photo: Bobby Dazzler Photography





# Winchelsea Community Market

Shire Hall  
9am - 1pm



**Next  
Sunday  
Morning  
4 August 2024**



Look out for Levi who does the 'Call Push Shock' program and can answer questions about Ambulance Victoria



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## 2024 DATES

Sunday 4th August

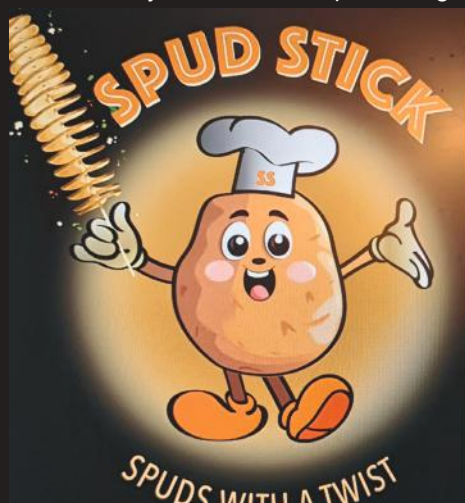
Sunday 1st September

Sunday 6th October

Sunday 10th November

*This is being held 1 week later due to the hall being used for Art Show the long weekend.*

Sunday 1st December



Upcoming attractions for August market are Spud stick and Krazy Koala



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 **Virtual fencing one step closer to reality for Victorian farmers**

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) has welcomed the partnership between Agriculture Victoria and Halter in trialling the use of virtual fencing technology at the government's Ellinbank Smartfarm.

VFF President Emma Germano said "This year the VFF has been engaged in discussions with the Minister for Agriculture to progress the use of virtual fencing on Victorian farms. The VFF has been encouraging the Government to work on regulations required to enable its use commercially. Queensland, Tasmania, Western Australia, and the Northern Territory already have the ability to use virtual fencing, as well as New Zealand, the UK, Canada, and the USA."

Ms Germano said "Virtual fencing has a broad application across livestock sectors, but will also benefit our dairy industry. It will save farmers' time, improve safety for farm workers, better manage pastures and improve environmental outcomes"

"As with any regulatory change, there are complex issues that the government must deal with. This is a slow process, and we are not going to see change immediately."

"There is a strong body of scientific evidence that already supports the animal welfare benefits that virtual fencing creates and we expect the announced trial will add further weight to existing knowledge," Ms Germano concluded.

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 Bernie Perry (18) 30 pts

**Saturday July 27**  
 Stableford

Nick Stone (8) 38 pts  
 Leigh Howard (15) 35 pts  
 NTP: 8/17th Andrew Black  
 Golden Hole: 11th Nick Stone







## Lauren

What a joy it is to meet this incredible young woman.

Lauren (Los to her friends) moved to Winchelsea in 2018 with her partner.

Having lived along the Surfcoast for some years they decided to see what Winchelsea was like as a place to live.

"What a cute town" says Lauren.

A drive down Jackson Street was the sealer, they letter dropped everyone in the street to ask if anyone was selling, they would be keen to buy.

And it happened. Six years later and Lauren has a home and a family and loves Winchelsea as much as anyone could.

Apart from working as a barista in Geelong, Lauren continues to develop her skills as a mural painter.

From small jobs, children's bedrooms and letter boxes, to big jobs, the Winchelsea mural project, she brings joys wherever she does her work.

Lauren reckons the Winchelsea Mural Project was the best job she's ever had.

Involving school children along the way it took over 6 months of planning. Lauren loves the sense of community that Winchelsea has and wants her children to grow up in this beautiful environment.



Picture AAP

## Olympic gold for cyclist from Camperdown

**Cyclist Grace Brown from Camperdown won Australia its first gold medal at the Paris Olympics on Sunday morning, becoming Australia's first ever gold medallist, man or woman, in the discipline.**





# Victorians urged to enrol for upcoming local council elections

Eligible residents and ratepayers are urged to check they are enrolled to vote for the upcoming local council elections by 4 pm Wednesday 7 August.

Electoral Commissioner, Sven Bluemmel, has issued a call ahead of the enrolment deadline: 'If you're 18 or over and you live in or pay rates to a Victorian council, enrol and have your say on the future of your local council.'

Australian citizens who have recently turned 18 or changed address can enrol or update their details online at [vec.vic.gov.au/enrolment](http://vec.vic.gov.au/enrolment)

Anyone on the state electoral roll is automatically enrolled for their current address for these elections. There are also additional council enrolment categories for non-resident owners, occupiers, company nominees and non-Australian citizens who pay rates.

The rules for council enrolment have changed. Property owners who don't live in the council area but may be eligible

to vote because they pay rates should contact their local council for further information.

The 2024 Victorian local council elections will be the state's largest single election program, with a predicted 4.7 million voters participating in 465 individual elections across 78 councils.

Further information on enrolment is available by calling 131 832 or at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au), where voters can also sign up to the free VoterAlert service to receive important election reminders by SMS and email. [visit vec.vic.gov.au](mailto:visit@vec.vic.gov.au)



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# parkrun 21

27 July 2024

Trebeck Reserve, Winchelsea



This week 25 participants completed the course through Trebeck Reserve.

Congratulations to Geoff Wiffen who completed his personal best time for Trebeck Reserve. We welcomed three people who completed their very first parkrun. We had visitors from Mildura Weir, Ocean Grove, Parkville, Point Cook, Rosebud, Exeter Riverside, Wyndhamvale, Main Beach and Albert Park. Well done everyone who walked, ran or volunteered.

This event was made possible by the following volunteers. Don Smith \* Kate McInnes \* Rob McDonald \* Tracey Groves \* Neil McInnes \* Tracey Sanseviero

A summary of this week's results can be found at [trebeckreserveparkrun.com.au/results](http://trebeckreserveparkrun.com.au/results)

Please check out our Facebook page for today's photos and further information.

It takes a minimum of six people each week to safely conduct an event. Please email [trebeckreserve@parkrun.com](mailto:trebeckreserve@parkrun.com) if you are able to volunteer some of your time. Tasks are simple, sociable, fun and very much appreciated.

If you wish to join us any Saturday morning as a walker, runner or volunteer please complete the simple online registration at



[parkrun.com.au/register](http://parkrun.com.au/register). This only needs to be done once and can be used worldwide.

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parkrun was conducted at 495 locations across Australia this week.





# Breath testing drivers all year round

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# Textures and Patterns in Photography

Kathryn Hartley

This photograph was taken in southern France in 1990 and shows several horizontal lines, (boats and streetscape) together with many vertical lines of the buildings like boxes) and an interesting diagonal line of rocks leading the viewer into the composition.

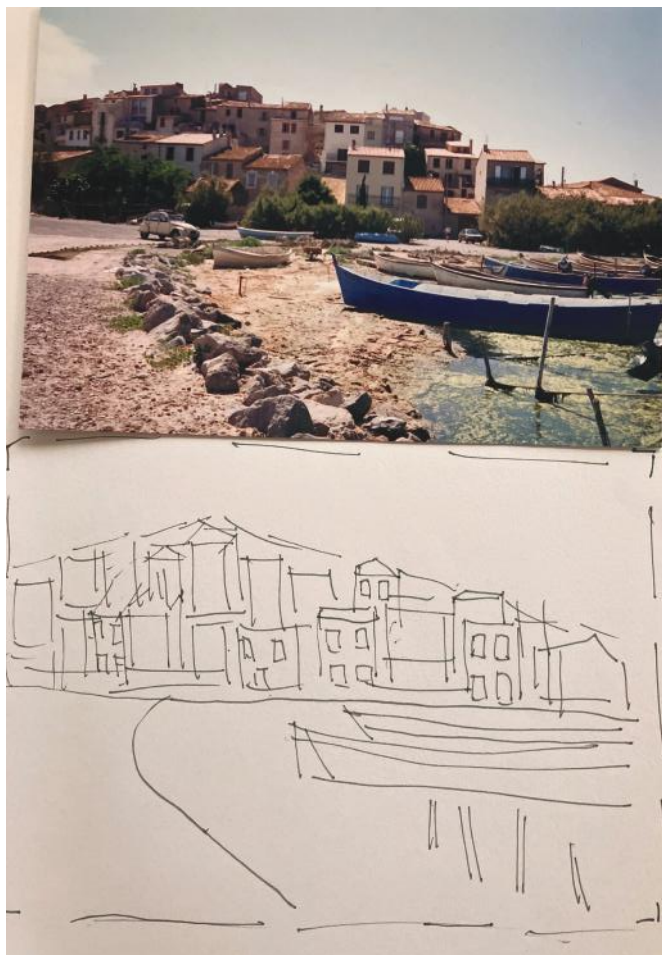
When you go out into any landscape try to include patterns, textures and items of interest when taking photos; learning to see several different patterns, angles, textures and details can help to make your photography more appealing.

I included the area in this photo of the foreground where the seaweed and poles sit; the rocks were also appealing so I moved my position to make them follow an arc of a diagonal line leading along the ground leading to the raised view of the village.

The village is yet another interesting aspect of this photo showing a series of square boxes set at different points up, down and around the hill, framing them into a pyramid shape.

Here is a drawing of how this photo can be broken down into a series of lines and shapes.

The little township of Bages, France, sits on the Narbonne Gulf at the sea. Its history dates back to pre-historical times, some 80,000 years. Tools uncovered in this village date back to Palaeolithic times and later Neanderthal & Cro-magnon man. Later the village was occupied by the Romans who moved to the rocky hilltop and settled there.



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The rose bushes will be pruned, stored and replanted.

As we are aware the community holds these rose bushes close to their hearts, we seek to protect them as we enhance the platform.

If you know more about the story behind the roses we would love to hear that too.

Any advice is welcome.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH	
4 August 2024	6 January 2025
1 Sept 2024	3 February 2025
6 October 2024	3 March 2025
<b>10 Nov 2024</b>	7 April 2025
1 Dec 2024	5 May 2025
	2 June 2025



# The Climate Report

Judy Cameron

## China is installing the wind and solar equivalent of five large nuclear power stations per week

From ABC Science / By technology reporter James Purtil

### In short:

China is installing record amounts of solar and wind, while scaling back once-ambitious plans for nuclear.

While Australia is falling behind its renewables installation targets, China may meet its end-of-2030 target by the end of this month, according to a report.

### What's next?

Energy experts are looking to China, the world's largest emitter and once a climate villain, for lessons on how to rapidly decarbonise.

While Australia debates the merits of going nuclear and frustration grows over the slower-than-needed rollout of solar and wind power, China is going all in on renewables.

New figures show the pace of its clean energy transition is roughly the equivalent of installing five large-scale nuclear power plants worth of renewables every week.

A report by Sydney-based think tank Climate Energy Finance (CEF) said China was installing renewables so rapidly it would meet its end-of-2030 target by the end of this month — or 6.5 years early.

It's installing at least 10 gigawatts of wind and solar generation capacity every fortnight.

Because its large cities of the eastern seaboard are dominated by apartment buildings, China hasn't seen an uptake of rooftop solar like in Australia.

To find space for all the solar panels and wind turbines required for the nation's energy needs, the planners of China's

energy transition have looked west, to areas like the Gobi Desert.

The world's largest solar and wind farms are being built on the western edge of the country and connected to the east via the world's longest high-voltage transmission lines.

These lines are so long they could span the length of our continent.

In Australian terms, it's the equivalent of using solar panels near Perth to power homes in Sydney.

**Workers install electric wires on the world's tallest transmission tower (385 metres) during construction of a high-voltage power line across the Yangtze.**(Getty: Shi Jun/VCG)

### Meanwhile in Australia

The Australian Energy Market Operator's (AEMO) plan to decarbonise the grid and ensure the lights stay on when the coal-fired power stations close requires thousands of kilometres of new transmission lines and large-scale solar and wind farms.

Australia is installing about half the amount of renewables per year required under the plan.

Due to this shortfall, many experts say it's unlikely to meet its 2030 target of 82 per cent renewables in the grid and 43 per cent emissions reduction.

"We need to build 6GW each year from now until each power station closes, and so far we're only bringing online 3GW," Ms Bashir said.

"If we identify some projects are nation-building ... and we need them for transition, we just have to get on with it"

### Bill McKibben from The Crucial Years:

A new study by Cornell University shows "a large decline in the land carbon sink in 2023." The paper—rushed into circulation this week by its alarmed authors—shows that the earth's forests and soils absorbed considerably less carbon than usual last year, because the Canadian wildfires and widespread droughts reduced their ability to soak up the gas from the atmosphere. As Evrim Yazgin explained in Cosmos magazine,

*In other words, the authors suggest, the warming already caused by the emissions of greenhouse gases may be creating a feedback loop in which increased temperatures and dryness are weakening carbon sinks which leads to increased emissions of carbon dioxide (CO2) into the atmosphere.*

*The authors warn: "If very high warming rates continue in the next decade and negatively impact the land sink as they did in 2023, it calls for urgent action to enhance carbon sequestration and reduce greenhouse gasses emissions to net zero before reaching a dangerous level of warming at which natural CO2 sinks may no longer provide to humanity the mitigation service they have offered so far by absorbing half of human induced CO2 emissions."*

As the IPCC says, "every bit of warming matters" and we know that the faster and the more we do this, the better off we'll all be: and by "we" I mean the 99.99999% of people and 100% of nature that is not vastly enriching themselves from digging up, processing, and burning fossil fuels.

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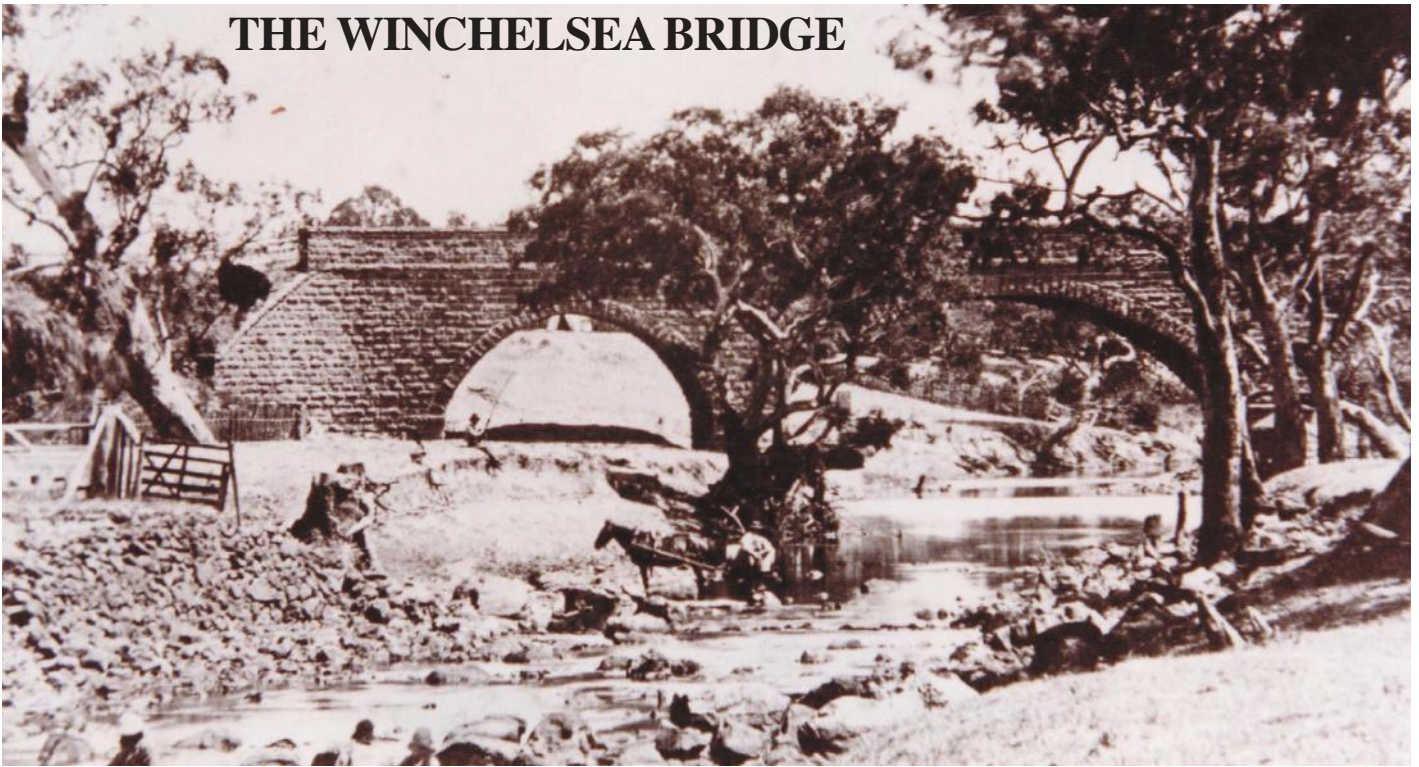
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The first transport carriers route between Geelong and Colac was a natural ford across the Barwon River at a spot known as "Austin's Ford". It was constructed around 1851 and it became the gateway to the Western District.

A wooden bridge was built in 1857 but it was swept away by a flood in 1849. A new one was constructed 25 feet above the waterline and handed over to the District Road Board in 1860.

In 1866 the council wrote to the Lands Department in reference to diverting the main road through the Wesleyan Church block for the purpose of widening the approach to the proposed bridge. (See

photo). Tenders were invited for the erection of a stone bridge. The bridge was opened by His Royal Highness, the Duke of Edinburgh in December 1867. Although the Inspector reported that the work was unsatisfactory, after inspection by the council, they declared it was perfectly safe and with respect to the fault in the curve of one of the arches that it was trivial and the balance of the funds given by the Government be paid. The council determined to refund the Government in the event of its failure.

This bridge has withstood the floods and wear and tear of more than a century in spite of the warning of men who professed to know their job and classed themselves as Engineers!.



View on the Barwon River, Winchelsea 1878  
Fred Kruger Collection, NGA, Colourised by Mitch Pilgrim







## Council boosts commitment to stronger environmentally sustainable design

As part of its ongoing commitment to environmental leadership, Surf Coast Shire Council has adopted an updated policy to drive environmentally sustainable design (ESD) in its assets and infrastructure, aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions, building in climate adaptation considerations, and improving social sustainability.

The Sustainable Design Policy supports the delivery of the Climate Emergency Response Plan 2021-2031. It ensures that the Council's buildings and infrastructure meet environmentally sustainable design (ESD) standards.

The revised policy broadens the scope of the initial policy to include civil works and open space projects and has an increased focus on climate resilience. The policy also aligns with targets and actions in the newly adopted Circular Economy Action Plan.

The policy sets minimum ESD standards for buildings owned, leased, or managed by Council as well as civil works programs and open space projects.

Objectives for the revised Sustainable Design Policy:

- Demonstrate environmental leadership and climate action
- Ensure new Council facilities, upgrades, and renewals generate positive environmental outcomes
- Ensure all new major Council facilities are carbon neutral over their lifecycle

- Promote the efficient use of resources and transition away from fossil fuels
- Reduce ongoing management costs and improve facility user comfort, health, and productivity
- Promote renewable energy generation and best practice stormwater quality outcomes
- Ensure waste avoidance, reuse, and recycling during construction and operations
- Promote innovation in the delivery of Council facilities, civil works, and open space projects.

Cr Mike Bodsworth said, "Council is proud to adopt this revised Sustainable Design Policy as we are keen to increase our environmental leadership."

"This updated policy shows our commitment to environmental sustainability and climate resilience and ensures all Council buildings and infrastructure projects meet higher environmental standards, contributing to a more sustainable and climate resilient future."

This revised policy looks at changing how expenditure and effort have been worked in the past and recognises the significant greenhouse gas emissions related to the construction and operation of buildings.

"This updated policy is designed to ensure Council facilities and infrastructure are designed to meet the challenges of the future, while promoting a healthier, more sustainable environment for our community," said Cr Bodsworth.

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# The Surf Coast Arts Trail Sat 3 - Sun 4 August 2005

Veronica McDonald

So much water has passed under the Winchelsea bluestone bridge since Julie Dyer called for a meeting in Deans Marsh, November 2011, to establish interest in the formation of an Arts Trail within the Shire.

Eighteen enthusiastic people attended and the planning began. August 2012 saw the Riverlee Artists participate in the inaugural Surf Coast Art Trail in the Globe Theatre.

Here we are in 2024 with our Riverlee Artists Dee Matheson, Wyuna Studio (No 42) Gherang and Veronica McDonald, VronxArt Studio (No 52) Winchelsea who will be displaying the pink signs and flying the pink flags on Sat 3rd and Sun 4th August, 10am to 4pm.

Our doors will be open to welcome you.

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Maps available on line and around town or download from the website [surfcoastartstrail.com.au/](http://surfcoastartstrail.com.au/)



"Bay of Fires" Tasmania Watercolour on yupo is Veronica McDonald's favourite for this exhibition. It hangs amongst her tree portraits as a tribute to her love of the ocean.

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## Opinion - Room for improvement in Shire satisfaction

Tony Phelps

At the start of July, this year's "Community Satisfaction Survey" was released for Surf Coast Shire. Carried out by the Department of Government Services, it aims to provide insights into community views on areas including overall council performance, value for money in services and infrastructure, decisions made in the interest of the community, customer service and council direction.

The survey is based on interviews with 600 resident and non-resident Surf Coast Shire ratepayers, one of which was in our household. The report shows not only this year's performance, it also compares it to prior years and also to other similar local government areas (LGAs) and to Victoria as a whole.

What does it tell us this year? Running everything down into a single number out of 100, Surf Coast is 57 against 50 for similar "Large Rural" LGAs and 54 across the state. That's pretty good - but a drop from 58 last year.

The best performing area is waste management at 73 showing a steadily improving trend over the last few years. The worst performing area is council direction at 45 which has been steadily dropping. The report doesn't make it clear what "direction" means though. Presumably different things to different people.

A particular highlight for the Winchelsea area is the dissatisfaction with unsealed roads at a low 39/100. Still better than statewide average of 36 and Large Rural of 34, but reflective of the priority that unsealed road maintenance is given

in spite of the impact it has on people travelling off the tarmac, their vehicles, and encouraging exploration of and investment into our countryside beyond the towns. Only 1% of Winchelsea interviewees thought unsealed roads are very good, 46% saying they are poor or very poor. More positively, this year's rating is a step up from the 34 it was given last year. Let's hope there's a continued focus on timely road maintenance, it's clearly not good enough. Local roads may be expensive but they are also a core council responsibility.

As it happens, Winchelsea gave the lowest scores in 6 out of 9 categories. This would be broadly reflective of a belief that Torquay gets the lion's share of attention and resources. To be fair, the lion's share of people do live in Torquay and Surf Coast Shire is a very coastal-driven area (ie. tourism). All the same, with Torquay and Winchelsea being the designated growth zones I would hope more is going to be put into Winchelsea and the hinterland to improve the situation and reduce the pressure on coastal areas.

Funnily enough, non-residents (eg. holiday home owners) gave highest scores in 7 out of 9 categories so I guess things are generally fine so long as you don't live in the Shire!

Personally, I think this year's report is comparatively positive while highlighting that a return to basics is desired. Communication with us needs to improve more, consultation be more obvious and accessible, and proactive roads maintenance stepped up. I do believe council does a lot of 'stuff' that we only notice when we feel it's wrong, credit is due for being better at it all than most. Let's see what the new Council at the end of this year chooses to put at the top of the list.



VicGrid

# Draft Victorian Transmission Plan Guidelines

Community summary

July 2024

Victoria is delivering a new long-term strategic plan for energy generation and transmission development to support our State's transition to renewables.

Victoria's energy system is changing. Coal-fired power stations are becoming unreliable and are retiring. We urgently need to change our power grid to carry energy from new renewable sources across the state to Victorian homes, businesses, hospitals, schools and other vital services.

The Victorian Government, through VicGrid, is developing and implementing a new statewide approach to renewable energy transmission infrastructure planning, to enable a smooth transition to renewable energy.

This new approach includes delivering a long-term strategic plan for renewable energy and transmission development in Victoria – the Victorian Transmission Plan.



## What areas are we considering for renewable energy generation?


We have undertaken a bespoke strategic land use assessment to identify parts of Victoria for further study for potential future renewable energy development. This is an early step in the process to identify Victoria's future renewable energy zones.

### What is a Strategic Land Use Assessment?

The strategic land use assessment uses a spatial multi-criteria analysis combined with geographic information system tools. This method provides a way of understanding existing land uses and landscape features across the state, using a range of spatial datasets including: land use, engineering, environmental, cultural and social factors.

It brings together more than 60 spatial datasets across environmental, cultural, land use and engineering themes.

The study area shows the parts of Victoria that have the potential to host new energy system infrastructure, such as wind and solar generation, as well as supporting transmission lines. It comprises areas to consider in more detail as we work through how much wind, solar, storage and transmission we will need, where and when.



It is important to note that only a portion of the study area will be needed to host new energy infrastructure. But for planning it is helpful to start with a broader area and then continue to narrow in on the most appropriate areas for renewable energy generation.

## How will we prioritise areas for investigation?

Within the study area we have identified three areas (tiers 1 to 3) that we will use to prioritise our investigations.

Tiers 1 and 2 areas will be prioritised for future investigation based on strong wind and solar generation opportunities and the likely low impact on land values such as biodiversity, agriculture and rural residences. Tier 3 areas present moderate opportunities for energy generation and more constraints. However, some of these areas may

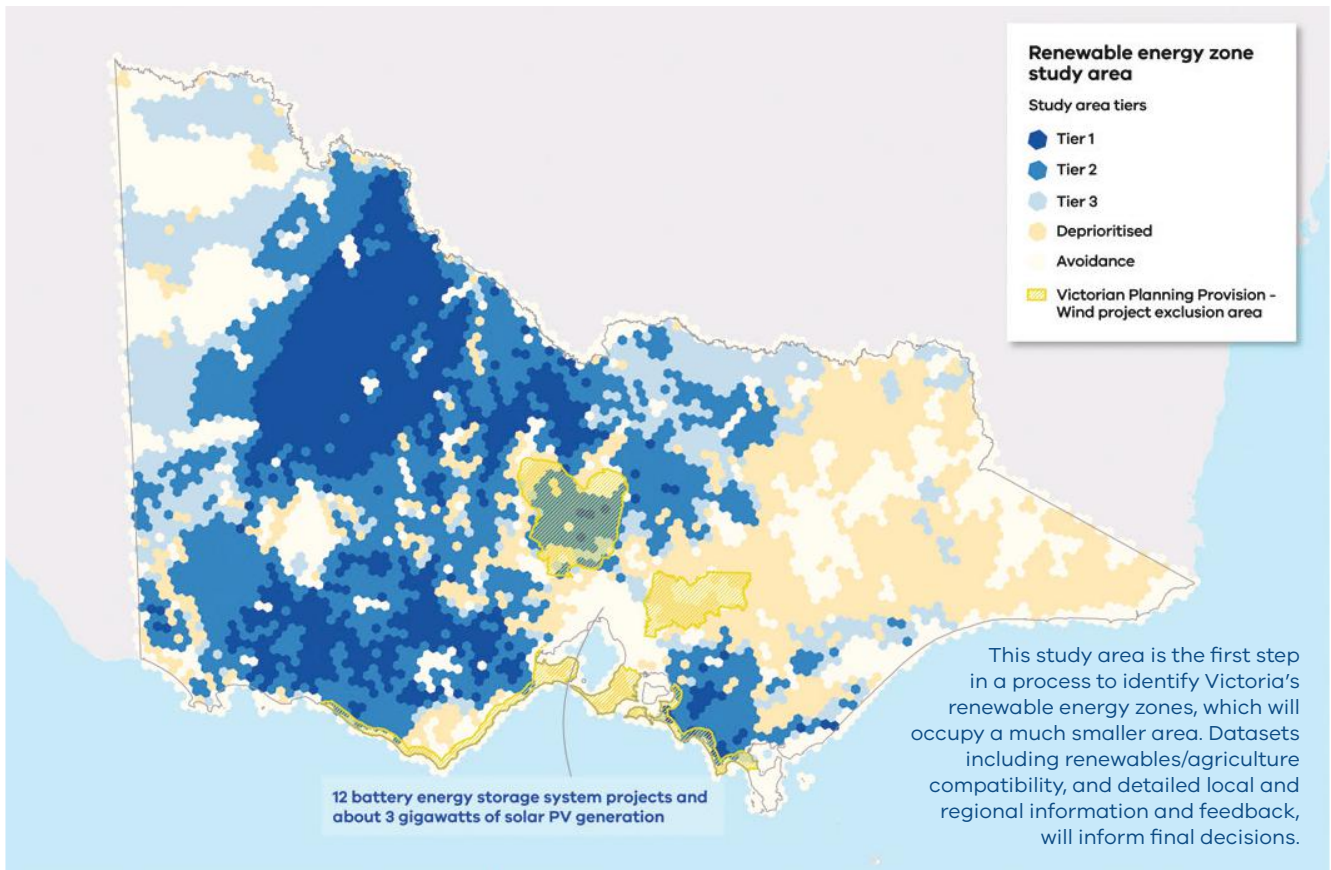
still be required to support overall reliability and security of the power system. Other areas of the state have been deprioritised for reasons such as sensitive or incompatible land uses.

**Partnering with First Peoples, and meaningful engagement with landholders, communities and industry will help us plan and develop renewable energy zones in a way that minimises impacts and maximises the collective benefits.**





**Figure 1: Geographic areas considered for the 2025 VTP (REZ study area)**



A more detailed map of the renewable energy zone study area including key geographic features and towns is available on Engage Victoria at [engage.vic.gov.au/victransmissionplan](https://engage.vic.gov.au/victransmissionplan)

### What do the tiers on the map mean?



**Tier 1**  
**Most suitable for investigation**

We will prioritise these areas to investigate for future renewable energy zones, based on the combination of high opportunities and low constraints for wind and solar.



**Tier 2**  
**Suitable for investigation**

These areas are suitable for investigation based on the combination of moderate-high opportunities and low-moderate constraints. Some of these are close to key locations where wind and solar can connect to the network.



**Tier 3**  
**Available for investigation**

These areas are available for investigation. This tier contains a mix of areas. Some have moderate opportunities and constraints, and others have higher opportunities and lower constraints but are a significant distance from available 500kV transmission lines.



**Deprioritised area**

These areas contain a combination of lower opportunities and higher constraints. We are not prioritising the investigation of these areas for the 2025 VTP.



**Avoidance area**

Avoidance areas highlight early areas to protect and avoid where there are significant sensitive land use and landscape value.

The Victorian Planning Provisions include specific prohibitions for permits to develop wind energy facilities in certain circumstances and locations, which include specific designated locations with high landscape or environmental value. These prohibition areas were introduced into the Victorian Planning Provisions in 2012 and are shown in the study area.





## We're seeking your feedback to help shape development of the 2025 Victorian Transmission Plan

We're seeking your input to help us finalise the Victorian Transmission Plan Guidelines and shape our approach to narrowing the study area to proposed renewable energy zones.

Consultation on the draft Victorian Transmission Plan Guidelines will be open until 25 August 2024.

We are also inviting feedback on the study area until 30 September 2024. This feedback will be considered during the refinement process to identify draft proposed renewable energy zones,

which will be shared for feedback in the draft 2025 Victorian Transmission Plan in early 2025.

The final Victorian Transmission Plan Guidelines will be published by 30 September 2024.

**You'll find the full draft Victorian Transmission Plan Guidelines, study area and more information about how to provide feedback and other engagement opportunities at [engage.vic.gov.au/vicgrid](https://engage.vic.gov.au/vicgrid)**

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# Mindfulness, your body and emotions

**Melissa Tinney, Casuarina Counselling Therapy**

What is it that most of us struggle with every day. Is it our emotions and stress? Do you feel anxious and stressed when you have to speak in public, when you can't sleep at night, or do you sometimes head into work or start the day with a sense of dread? Stress and anxiety are common daily feelings for most people, and most of us have learnt from a young age how to put on a mask and not let anyone else know when we are feeling bad.

Feeling anxiety and managing difficult and painful emotions are common problems and research has shown us a new and helpful way to understand what is going on with our nervous system when this anxiety, fear and dread arise. Polyvagal theory talks about three types of emotional states in our bodies. The autonomic nervous system is run by the parasympathetic and the sympathetic nervous system. The sympathetic nervous system winds our bodies up ready for fight and flight and the parasympathetic calms us down.

Poly vagal theory explains how when we are in a calm and relaxed state, we are able to think clearly, talk to others, enjoy ourselves, be creative and make good decisions. Fight or flight is when the sympathetic nervous system pumps adrenaline into the body to prime us to fight or run away. In this state it is hard to think beyond survival instincts and we are functioning from the primal part of our brain. This is not the time for lifechanging decision making or making new friends.

In the fight flight state, if we are unable to escape from the threat that we are reacting to, we become frozen, like an animal playing dead, and withdraw from our body, shutdown emotionally, become numb, lose hope and basically stop feeling much at all, or being able to think!

So, what does all this mean in daily life? We want to be happy, we try everything to avoid suffering and bad feelings, and often resort to addictions as a way to cope. In the counselling room, learning about the physical reaction to stress is a frequent part

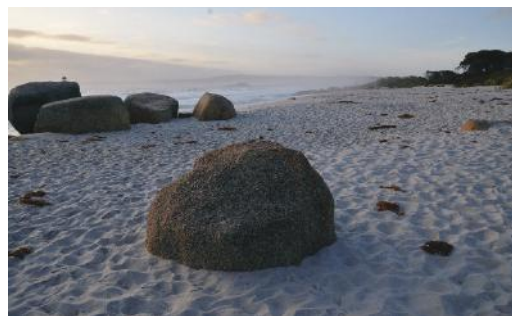
of the therapy. Once we understand that difficult emotions, such as anxiety, fear and dread, are physical reactions, then it makes sense that we may be able to do something physical to feel better.

This is where mindfulness and working with the body comes in.

When stress, anxiety and threat (fight flight) is set off in the body, adrenaline is released to enable us to run away or fight and this creates a feeling of anxiety in the body. In our lives today, in the modern world, we may not respond to anxiety and stress in a physical way, we just sit with or hold tight and put up with it, and therefore the adrenaline stays in the body and is not released. This is not healthy for the body over time.

A way to bring the body back to a calm state is to use the body, when you are feeling anxious, come into your body and breathe deeply. Take a long deep breath, to the count of four, then release slowly to the count of six. Repeat. The breath is able to turn the nervous system down, to take you off threat mode and back to calm. It may not be this easy and doing something physical can help release the adrenaline. Going for a walk, run or ride, dance to your Favorite music, take time out, walk around the block and breathe. Even jumping on the spot or stretching can release the endorphins to make you return to a calmer state. Just remember it happens to everyone and if we could be more honest to each other there might be more dancing in the street and happiness all around.

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## Should I sing in a choir?

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### Is singing good for depression?

Researchers have found that music and singing release dopamine and endorphins, the feel-good chemicals in your brain that makes you feel uplifted and happy, as well as simply taking your mind off the day's troubles, so it's no wonder why it's seen as being a good boost for your mental health.

### What percentage of people can sing?

Did you know that research has showed that only 4 percent of people are tone deaf, meaning they cannot listen to a note and sing the same note back? This means that for the other 96 percent of us, singing is a skill we can learn.



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## New action plan to drive a Surf Coast Shire circular economy

Surf Coast Shire Council has adopted an action plan to help drive a circular economy across the shire - avoiding waste, increasing resource recovery and regenerating nature.

The Circular Economy Action Plan 2024-2027 (CEAP) outlines directions for Council and support for our community, defining key priority areas, actions and targets.

A circular economy avoids waste and keeps valuable resources in use for as long as possible through reusing, repairing, sharing and recycling, in contrast to a linear economy based on a take-make-use-dispose approach.

Council resolved at its July meeting to adopt the CEAP, endorsing its five priority areas for action including:

- Increasing resource recovery – focusing on education, engagement and behaviour change.
- Maximising reuse – keeping materials in use for as long as possible, in Council operations and through community initiatives.
- Innovation and collaboration – working with partners to better understand issues, devise solutions and inspire positive action.
- Driving systems change – embedding circular economy principles in Council documents and improving data collection.
- Advocacy – through Council advocating for government support for meaningful changes supporting circular economy, and empowering community to advocate and actively drive a circular economy.

Factors driving the transition to a circular economy in Surf Coast Shire include Council's strong commitment to climate action and protecting the environment, increasing costs associated with waste management, the closure of Anglesea landfill in coming years, and a growing population leading to more waste.

The action plan includes 25 actions for Council and community and sets a range of targets to enable monitoring of progress.

"This is a proactive step, which will help guide a Council and community-wide transition to a circular economy," Cr Kate Gazzard said. "Though Council has demonstrated a commitment to reducing waste and maximising resource recovery across years, this is our first formal Circular Economy Action Plan.

"We thank community members for their valuable feedback and support on the draft action plan during our consultation period. The action plan will help us to have a far greater impact on reducing waste and increasing resource recovery together. "We now encourage residents to embrace a circular economy mindset in their daily lives."

Actions might include people buying only what is needed, buying items made with recycled content, buying pre-loved items potentially via online platforms, avoiding single-use disposable items, repairing items potentially using community services such as Repair Café Surf Coast, home composting, donating unwanted goods, and using the four kerbside bins at home correctly.

View the plan via [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/CircularEconomy](https://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/CircularEconomy)

## Library of Things to become part of the Surf Coast Shire circular economy

Surf Coast Shire is moving closer to a circular economy with Council making a \$20,000 once-off grant available to enable the set up and running of a Surf Coast Shire Library of Things (LoT), by an existing or new community or business group.

A LoT enables a local sharing economy, where people can loan products and learn new skills, rather than the need for individual ownership of products, especially for products not used regularly. Every LoT offers a different collection of items for loan, with some examples including household tools, gardening equipment and home sustainability items.

A LoT sharing model has many benefits including:

- Reduced consumption and environmental impacts associated with the production of products.
- Reduced waste going to landfill through unwanted or fixed broken items being diverted from landfill to become part of the LoT collection.
- Lowering household costs through loaning items rather than purchasing items.
- Strengthening communities by encouraging trust and uniting the members of the community to work together towards a common goal, leading to a more connected and resilient community.

Supporting local sharing economy initiatives is a key action in the newly adopted Circular Economy Action Plan and also aligns with Council's Climate Emergency Response Plan 2021-2031 as increased waste avoidance and resource recovery helps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

"This is an exciting development for Surf Coast Shire and a great example of Council supporting the development of circular economy initiatives in the community," said Cr Libby Stapleton

"It would be great to see a Surf Coast Shire Library of Things so residents can borrow items and avoid buying new things they may only want to use a few times," she said.

Research conducted by Council officers found that:

- There are many models of LoTs around the world – from online models through to dedicated shop fronts.
- LoTs are traditionally community led, with support from councils. They may involve a collaborative approach and professional groups too.
- The biggest challenges for LoTs are funding, staffing, and finding a suitable venue with adequate storage.
- The recommended first step setting up a LoT is a community survey to evaluate public interest, identify items of interest, and to identify volunteers (noting their skills and availability).

As well as the once-off grant Council can support this initiative by conducting the initial survey, promotions and providing guidance to help the group connect to other grants and community initiative support where available.

Further promotions about this once-off grant will be circulated towards the end of the year with the grant application process likely to run in January/February 2025.

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## Outdoor dining guidelines pave the way for parklets

### Surf Coast Shire

Local hospitality businesses can express their interest in applying for a parklet: an outdoor dining area that transforms kerbside parking into vibrant community spaces.

Surf Coast Shire Council decided at its July meeting to adopt outdoor dining parklet guidelines and incorporate them into Local Law.

It follows a successful Parklet Pilot at Jan Juc's The Beach Hotel which welcomed positive feedback – 97% of respondents in a 185-response survey were in favour of the parklet.

With parklets now able to be installed across the shire, local businesses are invited to submit an expression of interest (EOI) to apply for a permit.

There are various requirements to meet to be eligible for a permit. These include location, design, setbacks, insurance, waste management and maintenance requirements. Parklets will be considered in conjunction with Council's Footpath Trading Policy.

"It's great to see how this initiative progressed," Mayor Liz Pattison said. "Initially it was a Fresh Air Dining Program to support hospitality businesses navigating density limit restrictions in the pandemic. It had such a positive impact in Jan Juc, that community members campaigned for it to be introduced permanently."

Parklets use on-street parking zones adjacent hospitality businesses. They transform kerbside parking into community spaces, offering public seating, street dining or green spaces.

Newly-adopted guidelines ensure parklet designs are sensitive to environmental concerns; foster an accessible and inclusive community; and support local businesses.

"I love the sense of community that the Jan Juc parklet created," Mayor Pattison said. "Extended outdoor dining has the potential to increase time spent in the area, financial viability of the business, and may encourage more slow tourism where visitors linger. "I encourage local hospitality businesses to submit an EOI for a parklet."

To learn more and submit an expression of interest, visit [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/parkletpermit](https://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/parkletpermit).

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# Netball News



Melody Philpott

Saturday 27 July 2024

## U13s

### Winchelsea 10 def by Werribee 11

The girls played a ripper this weekend and ended up going down by only 1 goal! Everybody played so well and the ball movement down the court was amazing. They fought until the very end and stayed composed in the rain. So so proud!

Best: Everyone

## U15s

### Winchelsea 5 def by Werribee 30

In a wet weather affair, the girls continued to lift their intensity as the game progressed. Milla Tute had a great competitive game in centre, with Elle Chittenden having a versatile game across the midcourt and defence.

## U17s

### Winchelsea 13 def by Werribee 20

We started well leading at the first change by 3 goals. We came out of the blocks hard and fast with accurate passes and a solid full court defence. The start of the second quarter we stood and watched. We need to be better than that come finals. A nice lesson that it takes a 4 quarter grind to win hard games. We rested our injured players and look forward to meeting Werribee again in the finals.

## U19s

### Winchelsea 9 def by Werribee 38

The Winchelsea U/19s faced a formidable and well-organised Werribee team. Despite a challenging start, the girls demonstrated significant improvement, a testament to the value of facing teams again in the home and away season. In a gritty match, the team pulled together, showcasing their potential, especially in the final term. Kalarni Boddington's stellar defense made scoring difficult for Werribee, while the absence of Kelsey Lewry was mitigated by the impressive performances of Ash Bell, a 17s player, and Sammi Kutchenmister. The game highlighted the team's growth and determination.

## D grade

### Winchelsea 30 def Werribee 19

D grade welcomed back Holly Worland from holiday for a full 12 player side this week. The Centurions took the first centre pass which was turned over and converted to goal in a sleek start for the Blues. Millie Partridge led the attacking unit, proving a reliable and accurate target in the goal circle. Abbey Todd and Emily Wilson supported each other to provide fresh legs to the Goal Defence position throughout the game. Once Min Czerniawski was injected, the Blues jetted off, adding 13 goals to their haul in the third 'Premiership' quarter whilst limiting the Centurions to just four. D grade now sits equal 3rd on the ladder; could a premiership cup be on the horizon?

## C grade

### Winchelsea 45 def Werribee 29

C grade energy was glowing this week off the back of a productive training session on Thursday night. The Blues were able to put together a consistent four quarters, outscoring the Centurions in each. Sandi Bowen and Leisha Brown combined to show the power of a strong Wing Defence, creating intercept after intercept. The determined defence across the whole court resulted in Centurions sailing passes over the baseline in more scoring opportunities for the Blues. The playing surface was again slippery this week, with a few tumbles shared amongst the Blues girls. Not ones to be put off by the ice rink underfoot, the C grade Blues charged ahead to a comfortable win.

## B grade

### Winchelsea 38 def Werribee 29

First-placed Werribee met hungry fifth-placed Blues - and boy, did sparks fly! Both sides applied the pressure early in this game. Connie Royal exposed the Centurions with her towering defence over attempts at goal. Centurions soon found it hard to find the scoreboard consistently. This small chip in the green and gold armour was all but torn open when Kalarni Boddington joined the game late in the first quarter. Kalarni was a magnet for rebounds which created ample scoring opportunities. Jess Blackmore stood up in the midcourt, and seamlessly linked the defensive unit to the magic combination of Kat Filice and Steph Hicks. By way of court time, Centurions asked their experienced heads to claw back the half time 11 goal deficit; it wasn't enough. In the final term, Blues turned over the first Werribee centre pass in a statement of intent to win. The B grade Blues will take big confidence from this one!

## A grade

### Winchelsea 34 def Werribee 20

A grade was seeking a comfortable win this week after recent close encounters. Uncharacteristic mistakes at the hands of the Blues kept the Centurions motivated and the margin slim in the first fifteen minutes. Katrina Biscan opened the Blues' scoring account in accurate form. Liv Paatsch had a season best performance in a display of long-range goaling prowess. Midway through the game, superstar Rhi Williams took to the bench to rest an unhappy knee, which saw an opportunity for Gemma Stavenuiter and Zoe Tennant to combine in defensive partnership. With Gemma as the voice of constant encouragement and the superb athleticism of Zoe, this combination looked like a well-oiled machine. The Centurions had no answers for our A grade girls, who gained momentum to run away with the win.



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# Blues News

Janet Fletcher

## ROUND 15 – 27.07.2024

Welcome to Blue's News, - last Saturday saw the Winchelsea Blues host Werribee Centrals Football & Netball Club in pretty wet, cold conditions, and the Canteen rostered players for the week were more than happy to be in the warmest place early on at Eastern Reserve.

Speaking of the W.F.N.C. Canteen the Club really appreciates the input of Tania Budge over the season of 2024. Tania and Donna McCallum have truly saved the day with their time and expertise in the Canteen - the Canteen and the Club's Blue's Bistro create the finances that drive the Winchelsea Football & Netball Club Inc. along with our sponsors that continue to be on board as the Club continues to grow amidst challenging times for local sporting Clubs run effectively by Volunteers. Tania and Donna are 6th generation Winchelsea Blues family and continue to do more than their fair share of Volunteer work that is simply what keeps the Club going. Outstanding ladies, and a huge thank you from all at the Club. Scott Mawson & Ash Gemmill who man the Bar at home games & the Club's Social & Catering occasions are another example of the club's Volunteers at "work" ably assisted at times by Josie Kavenagh and Tilly Kelly

Club Volunteers – the Winchelsea Football & Netball Club cannot survive without you !!

Also a big note of thanks to those who continue to support the W.F.N.C. in coming to the games as spectators, attending our Thursday night teas at the Blue's Bistro, & buying our Social Memberships. To the Bowls Club -we thank you for your support and are happy to supply vinegar at the canteen condiments table for those who enjoy, and to the Winchelsea Lion's Club who have given so much support over the years – manning the "Gate" rain hail or shine, lending a hand with advice, being available with their fabulous "Chuck Wagon" and having the knowledge that the Lion's Club will always be there to help out should we need it in what ever form that may be.

Now to the weekends Football Results .....

### RESERVES:

#### Winchelsea 8.7.55 defeated Werribee Centrals 6.9.45

Werribee Centrals have cemented their place at the top of the Reserves Ladder with having only dropped 1 game so far this season, so it would be a real test for the Blues as to where they sit with Finals looming. The Blues came out swinging to hold their own and lead at the first change 1 goal 2 points to 2 points. Both teams lifted in the second quarter and the home crowd could be forgiven if the thought was – hello – here they come! The Blues held on with strong and at times very smart play to hold a lead and scores at half time were 4.6 to 3.3 The third quarter saw the scoreboard swing slightly towards the Werribee Centrals but in the last quarter the Blues stood up and with a little wayward kicking by Centrals Winchelsea got home by 10 points and belted out the Club song loud & proud!!

Great win to players and coaches, runners, trainers and everyone else who goes into making up the effort in getting the Reserves team up and running to achieve such great results.

### GOALS:

Jack Todd 2, Bailey Forssman 2, Hayden Wilson 1, Matt Gillespie 1, Coby Eagle 1, Robbie Gleeson 1

### BEST:

Aaron Cooke, Jack Todd, Rueben James, Jaiden Eagle, Callum Nankervis, Robbie Gleeson.

### SENIORS:

#### Winchelsea Blues 12.19.91 defeated Werribee Centrals 8.9.57

Sitting Third on the G.D.F.N.L. Ladder Werribee was looming as a suspect game for the Blues. Still several key players missing from the side due to injury the Blues had done their home work regarding their up coming match and seemingly the results paid off handsomely.

Seriously cold conditions didn't deter a great crowd of spectators from viewing the opening bounce for the Senior game at 2pm, and the Blues didn't let the crowd down. Winchelsea opened their first quarter score with 5.5 to 1.2 much to the delight of the home crowd. Could the Blues go on with it? They certainly did.

Werribee had several key players out of their side as did the Blues so the ½ time scores of 6.10 to 3.8 looked ominous for Werribee if the Blues could just hold their form. Hold their form they did. Rain affected players in the last half of the game and at the final siren the Winchelsea Blues ran out convincing winners. 12.19.91 to 8.9.57. Great win for the Winchelsea Blues !!

### GOALS:

Jordan Gould 3, Caleb Brown 3, Lachie Gemmill 1, Tom Moloney 1, Tavae Sauni 1, Zedakai Copland 1, Fin Parish 1, Jack Symmons 1.

### BEST:

Harry Nagle, Leigh Ellis, Michael Bourdouvalis, Tom Moloney, Josh Freeman, Caleb Brown.

This weekend will see the Winchelsea teams travel to the Belmont Lions Den – Winter Reserve, to take on the Belmont Lions in Football & Netball, Games are at the usual times.

## GO BLUES!!

### PLEASE NOTE:

The BLUE'S BISTRO will resume this Thursday (1st August) evening with a slightly limited menu. The Club has had to absorb the loss of 2 weeks trading and there is the potential to not have the kitchen fully repaired for another couple of weeks. There fore the Catering Team will do their best to continue to provide meals for the remainder of the time it takes to get the kitchen repairs completed. The heaters will be on, the Bar will be open and we look forward to seeing as many of our loyal patrons back on August 1st.

Thanks to Colin and team at the Barwon Hotel for their help over the last 2 weeks in accommodating the Club.

**The Catering Team are going to do the best they can to get the show back on the road this Thursday night,**



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