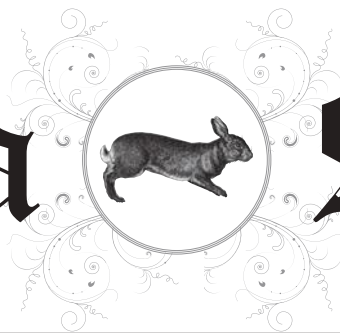


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# Celebrate Positive Ageing Month this October

*Learn, Love, Live your best life and join the fun!*

## WINCHELSEA AND DEANS MARSH

You're invited to various free local events and activities to celebrate Positive Ageing Month, including:

### WISER WALKER, WISER TRAVELLER COURSE OPEN TO ALL

Learn about a wide range of transport options and support services to ensure you remain mobile, travel confidently and stay connected to community.

**Friday 6 October, 20 October and 27 October  
10am to 2pm**

📍 Council office — 1 Merrijig Drive, Torquay

**Bookings:** info@surfcoast.vic.gov.au or 5261 0600

### MOVIE, MUSIC AND AFTERNOON TEA AT DEANS MARSH (PLACES LIMITED)

Enjoy afternoon tea and a screening of documentary *The World At Her Feet*, which shines a spotlight on locally-born and raised international opera star Marjorie Lawrence. Emerging local musician Bella Reynolds of *Ciao Bella* will perform.

**Thursday 12 October, 2.15pm to 4.30pm**

📍 Deans Marsh Hall — 10 Penny Royal Valley Road

**Bookings:** cottage@deansmarsh.org.au or 5236 3388

Attendees will be asked to make a gold coin donation to Deans Marsh Community Cottage

### WINCHELSEA MEN'S SHED OPEN DAY

Learn what the men's shed is all about with a tour of the shed, and a wander through the community garden. A sausage sizzle will be held from 11.30am to 2pm.

**Wednesday 18 October, 9.30am to 3.30pm**

📍 Winchelsea Men's Shed - 51 Hesse Street

**Bookings:** Ray 0407 839 139 or  
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### HINTERLAND MOVIE CLUB PRESENTS THE BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL (PLACES LIMITED)

A combined event with Deans Marsh and Moriac communities, hosted by Winchelsea Movie Club. Watch *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* and enjoy afternoon tea.

**Monday 23 October, 1.30pm to 4.30pm**

📍 Winchelsea Shire Hall - 28 Hesse Street

**Bookings:** Lyn Batson 0419 500 353 or  
lbato@bigpond.com or Jenny Mathison 0409 672 054

A shuttle bus driven by a Shebah/Ridesafe driver will do a pick-up (1pm) and drop-off (4.30pm) from Moriac Community Centre.

Attendees will be asked to make a gold coin donation to Winchelsea Op Shop.

Full details and calendar of events:  
[surfcoast.vic.gov.au/PositiveAgeingMonth](http://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/PositiveAgeingMonth).

*Positive Ageing Month aligns with Surf Coast Shire Council's work towards an age-friendly community, where older people are valued, respected and actively supported to participate in their community.*





# Modewarre Cubs visit new Modewarre Fire Station

**Marie McPadden**  
Group Leader – 1st Modewarre

Members of the recently opened Modewarre Fire Station in Moriac hosted an excited group of Cubs.

The Cubs were taken into the briefing room, where Andrew Allery (4th Lieutenant, Senior Training Officer and Junior Co-ordinator) and Ash McPhee (2nd Lieutenant) explained the workings of the Modewarre brigade.

They were also shown the different personal gear worn for different types of fires. The Cubs asked thoughtful questions and received great answers.

Then it was time for a look at the firetrucks. The Cubs were allowed to explore the big truck, and have a look at the gear on board.

With lights flashing the truck was driven outside to the back of the station where the Cubs experienced the fun, and difficulty, of aiming the big hoses at targets.

The Cubs had a great night, hopefully taking on board some messages about fire safety and looking forward to joining the brigade as Junior Fireys when older. Both Cub Leader Amy and Youth Leader Will are junior members of the brigade.

It's important that we keep younger people interested and training, as the local CFA brigades are so important to our communities.



Local Legend Ian Convery, right, with Friends of Taylor Park



## Nominate a legendary change maker!

**It's easy!**

**All you have to do is consider someone who has made a difference creating change in the Surf Coast Shire and nominate them as a Local Legend.**

For example, here's Ian Convery, Local Legend 2023 recipient. He stepped up to ensure the Friends of Taylor Park continued to connect with locals and improve the park.

Visit [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/locallegends](https://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/locallegends) for more details and to complete the online nomination form.

Nominations are open between 12 September and 30 October 2023.

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**CATtitude**

## 24-hour cat curfew to start 30 September

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**Are you prepared for the 24-hour cat curfew?**

Now's the time to get ready for the new cat curfew, which requires all cats within the shire to be confined to their owner's property boundary unless the cat is appropriately restrained.

According to Animal Welfare Victoria, cats that are confined to your property live three times longer than those that are allowed to roam. You can keep your cat in the house or flat with you, or in the garage or shed at night. Other options include buying or building a cat enclosure for your yard, or installing cat-proof fencing.

Learn more: [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/CatCurfew](http://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/CatCurfew) or call 5261 0600



# Calling all Artists young and old!

Community Arts Calendar Competition registrations close Friday 15 September.

**Get your entries in now!**

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Artwork: Gasboy is the nervous type, Peter Day



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Scan the QR code to find out how you can help.



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For more information or to make an appointment contact Sue on 5221 4788

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## Probus trip to the Shrine

Story Linda Carter  
Photos Anne Phillips

On Thursday last week 19 Probus members climbed aboard one of Hutchinson's luxury coaches, very capably driven by Jason who set us all at ease ? by stating it was the first time he had driven into Melbourne!!! A fact that couldn't have been further than the truth!! He did an absolutely amazing job of negotiating the more than chaotic traffic over the West Gate Bridge and the new tunnel development to get us safely and promptly to the Shrine.

There has been many changes since I last visited. A new visitor centre which takes you in on the lower level instead of climbing the majestic steps at the front, bringing you in on the level of the crypt which you used to have to climb

down to. A lift now can take you to the level of the stone of remembrance. Many school groups were led by guides. I was very impressed by one who took his group to one side, asked a student to read the Ode and then had them observe a minutes silence. Our young people need to know and respect that this building pays homage to all those who have given up their lives or fought for us to be able to live freely in this wonderful country.

Some bravely climbed the three flights of stairs to the balcony only to be rewarded with a wonderful view of our marvellous city and gardens.

Being there brought back memories for my husband John of the times he has stood guard at the top of the steps on Anzac Days during his time in RAA 5 Battalion Infantry resplendent with rifle

and full kilt uniform. Sadly no photos remain.

A museum depicting photos and artefacts from all of Australia's theatres of conflict is truly amazing and quite moving.

Then it was onward to the Royal Oak Hotel in Richmond for a delicious 2 course lunch, after negotiating a traffic snarl due to a broken down tram. Luckily all cleared before our return.

A wonderful day, many thanks to Anne for organising, we really appreciate the effort you went into to make the day perfect. And I know you will be requesting Jason for all our trips from now on, he even rescued Jenny from a runaway bee, (superhero)

Look forward to our next trip to Queenscliff and Van Loon's Nursery.



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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](mailto:editor@winchelseastar.org.au)



# Our Winchelsea Neighbours



Apple Cake



Lemon and Yoghurt Gugelhupf



Marble Chocolate and Vanilla Gugelhupf



Double Chocolate Gugelhupf



## Silke McManus

Silke was born in East Germany and moved from Berlin to Australia 19 years ago. Footy brought her and her Australian husband Paul together, and they were married in Torquay. Silke and Paul and their son moved to the Green Estate in Winchelsea a few months ago.

Silke likes the feeling of smallness in Winchelsea. People she has met are quite friendly. But to be honest, she does not like the noise from the trucks going through town. She also thinks it would be nice to have some local events where the community can come together.

Silke likes decorating, growing fruit and vegetables in her garden and DIYing.

Most of all though, she likes baking. It's in her blood. Her grandfather was a pastry chef but unfortunately, he could not teach her as he lived across the East German border. Both of her sisters in Germany love baking too. She started selling her bakes from her home kitchen at the end of 2021.

Silke likes to share cakes that Berliners eat every day. Yes - they have a slice of cake for breakfast, morning or afternoon tea, with or without coffee or tea, everyday or at celebrations. On birthdays they bring cake to work to share.

### Sharing everyday German cakes with friends and neighbours



Silke's bakes are mostly everyday cakes. However, they are also easily decorated to fit a celebration. You can also order smaller versions, perhaps two of them or 6 little ones.

Silke bakes to order, and likes a couple of days notice. Delivery in Winchelsea is FREE. You can order on her website <https://silkesgermanbakes.square.site/>

Most of the cakes last several days and leftovers can be easily frozen. They are a nice lunchbox treat.

Silke plans to keep adding German cakes to the list. Some are also seasonal, like her Christmas Gugelhupf. However, if there is a German cake you would like, get in touch. It might already be on her list to test bake and then add to the list.

Instagram and Facebook: @silkesgermanbakes



# Winchelsea Star COMMUNITY Noticeboard

## FREE ADS

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Email  
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## DANCING

**9th Sept 2023**

It's on again,  
Dancing at Wurdale Hall.  
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## Celebration

### Trevor Green 70th Birthday Party

1 - 5pm 22 October 2023  
The Member's Room at The Hub  
Family and Friends Invited  
RSVP 7 October 2023  
Contact 0408 520 877  
or 0410 165 346

## Winchelsea Land and Rivercare

### Working Bee

First Saturday of the month.  
9am - 10.30

September 2 October 2023

Meet at Guye Reserve,  
Barwon Terrace

Come and join us and help do some  
weeding of this year's planting

## Winchelsea Community Market



Shire Hall  
9am - 1pm

## MARKET DATES 2023

8th October  
5th November  
3rd December

## SEACH, Donald 'Don'

Family and friends are  
invited to attend a Service  
to Celebrate the Life of Mr  
Donald 'Don' Seach to be  
held at Tuckers Chapel, cnr  
Torquay and Pioneer  
Roads, Grovedale on  
FRIDAY (8th September)  
at 2.00pm prior to  
interment in the  
Winchelsea Cemetery, 205  
McConachy Street,  
Winchelsea.

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## SEACH, Donald William

29 Apr 1932  
24 Aug 2023  
Aged 91 years

With heavy hearts we  
announce the passing of  
our beloved DON.

Husband of 60 years to  
Pat (dec). Father of Gayle,  
Debbie (dec), Wendy, &  
Don.

Grandfather of Luke &  
Drew, Glenn, Dean, Mark,  
Leigh, & Jess (dec). Damian  
& Joel, Ashleigh,  
Morgan, Brodie, Grace,  
Luke and Hollie. Great  
Grandfather to thirteen.

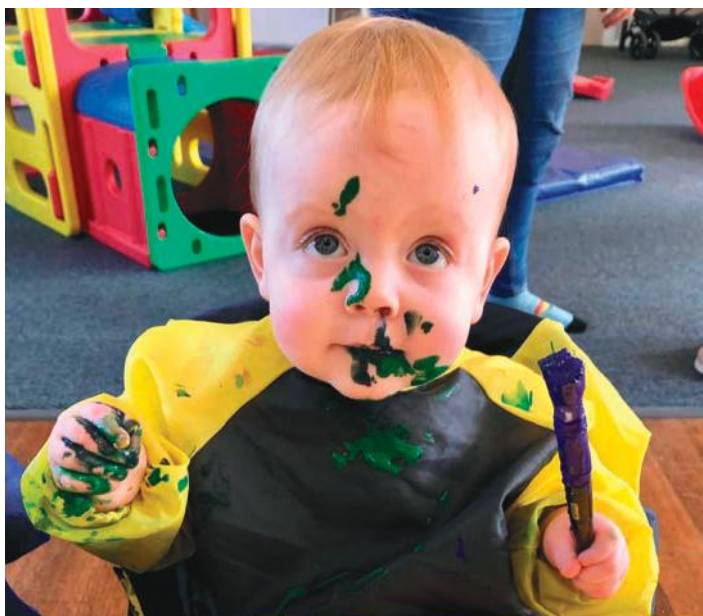
Greatly missed and in our  
hearts forever xx

## SEACH, Don

29 Apr 1932  
24 Aug 2023

Much loved Father &  
Father in law of  
Don & Allison.  
Grandfather of Ashleigh,  
Morgan, Brodie, Grace,  
Luke & Hollie.  
Dad you were one of a  
kind always offering  
help & support.  
Sadly missed,  
always remembered





## Happy Father's Day from Winchelsea Playgroup!

Our Thursday 24th August session had our children eagerly preparing for Father's Day.

We painted plaster "I Love Daddy" and "World's Greatest Daddy" plaques in bright yellow, green, red and purple paint ... with a couple of children also painting their noses, cheeks and hands! It's all part of the fun - lucky we wear art-smocks though.

The children also enjoyed colouring in Father's Day themed colouring sheets - even a few mums joined in this activity.

And, especially for those Dads that love the odd pun or two, our colouring sheets had messages like "Dad, you're out of this world" with an alien picture, and "Dad you're Dino-mite!" with a dinosaur.

Our next Playgroup session is Thursday 7th September, 10am-12pm at St Thomas Anglican Church Hall.

Our theme is "Ice Cream" - come dressed in ice cream colours eg. Mint, Chocolate, Lemon; and join us for some ice cream craft and activities (no "real" ice cream on the day, just fun and play).

\$5 per family, bring a piece of fruit to share and please enter through the Hall's front doors.



# Fairer fares for taxi passengers

Victorian taxi passengers will soon have more certainty about what they pay when hailing or catching a cab from a rank – and more confidence they can get a taxi when they need one – when drivers become required to use the taxi meter for unbooked trips.

The Government will update the regulations governing the commercial passenger industry, meaning drivers can no longer negotiate a price with customers above the regulated maximum fare and must use their meters for trips from ranks or when hailed on the streets.

The changes, set to come into effect from 28 September, come in time for the spring and summer major events seasons as a result of industry and community feedback.

The updated regulations will make sure for unbooked trips drivers always use the taxi meter to calculate the maximum regulated fare – strengthening protections for passengers, particularly at times of high demand and will remove any confusion over fare rules

The amendments will apply to unbooked trips from a taxi rank or hailed from the street in Melbourne, Geelong, Ballarat and Bendigo.

No changes are being made to pre-booked taxi or rideshare services.

The Labor Government regularly monitors and consults with passengers, drivers and booking service providers to improve the industry and these changes reflect recent feedback about unbooked taxi services.

The changes build on the improvements made with the deregulation of the industry - which has increased competition, delivered better services and value for money since the reforms were introduced.

# Review of Barwon River waterway rules is underway

The Corangamite Catchment Management Authority (CMA) is reviewing the waterway rules for the Barwon River through Geelong stretching from Orana Road to the Lower Breakwater (just upstream of Lake Connewarre).

The Corangamite CMA identified a need to review the waterway rules for the Barwon River following Barwon Water's planned removal of four spans of the Ovoid Sewer Aqueduct in Breakwater. The removal of the spans opens the opportunity for the public to access the lower part of the river for the first time in many years as this has been an exclusion zone for safety reasons.

As the existing river rules have not been reviewed since 1991 (32 years), the renewed access to the river around the sewer aqueduct provides the Corangamite CMA the opportunity to review the waterway rules, not just for the lower part of the river, but for the entire stretch from Orana Road to the Lower Breakwater.

Geelong is one of the fastest growing regions in Australia with the Northern, Western and Armstrong Creek Growth Areas combined projected to ultimately provide approximately 60,000 new homes and over 160,000 new residents.

With population growth comes greater demand for access to the river for recreation and enjoyment of nature with the number and variety of river users likely to significantly increase.

Waterway rules are designed to provide a safe operating environment, to cater for a wide range of boating and water activities, to separate different activities where needed based on safety, and to reflect local conditions.

Any changes to the rules will be based on the following principles:

- Managing vessel activities and movement, moorings and berthing locations, and navigational aids that identify regulations and hazards, anchorage and dredging areas
- Minimising the risk of environmental damage from the operation of vessels



- Allowing for the safety and equity of on-water use on the Barwon River for a broad range of users
- Cultural Heritage management and consideration
- Ensuring compatibility of waterway use with surrounding land

The Corangamite CMA is currently in consultation with the main user groups of the Barwon River and key agency stakeholders including the Geelong Water Ski Club, Geelong Canoe Club, Association of Geelong and District Angling Clubs Inc, Barwon Valley Water Ski Club, Geelong Rowing Association Inc, Geelong Cross Country Club, Geelong Field Naturalist Club, Geelong Dragon Boat Club and the Geelong Outrigger Canoe Club. The public will be asked for its feedback on the draft river rules later this year.

No decisions about the rules, including the times that stakeholders have access to the river, will be made while this targeted consultation is underway and until the public has provided feedback.

Corangamite CMA's General Manager Community and Catchment Services Sarah Holland Cliff said, "Targeted consultation is still underway, and we have further meetings scheduled with user groups".

"The aim of any rule changes is to foster greater inclusivity and safety for all on-water users, enabling a broader range of individuals to enjoy the Barwon River," continued Ms Holland Cliff.

After the consultation period, the draft river rules will be publicly displayed for four weeks to gather feedback from the community. "Through the public consultation process, we aim to consider the perspectives of all river users and establish new rules that accommodate a wide range of recreational activities," Ms Holland Cliff said.

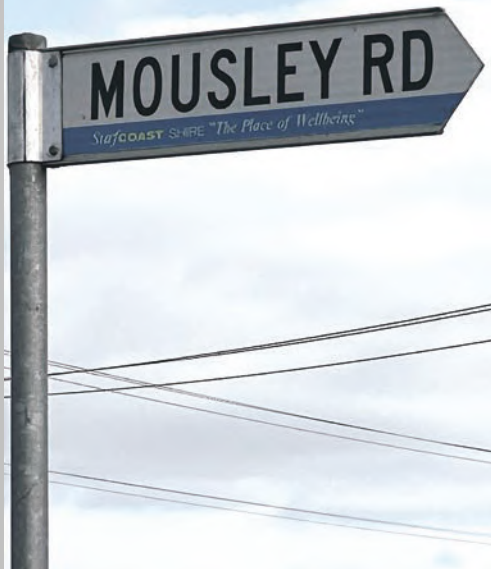


# Winchelsea and District Historical Society

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## Mousley Road

This road now leads to the Shire Depot, named after Shire Foreman Ivan Mousley, an employee of Winchelsea Shire for 44 years.



Page 38, ECHO, Tuesday, December 12, 1989

## Golf honor for Joe

By FLORENCE VESEY

THE presentation of a Life Membership capped off a long association with the Winchelsea Golf Club for Ivan "Joe" Mousley.

The award was presented at the recent presentation evening held at the club house.

Joe has played golf with the club for 25 years and has served on the committee for 20 years. During those years he has been president for three consecutive years and vice-captain for two years.

A Winchelsea Shire employee for 25 years, Joe retired as foreman early this year due to ill health and does not participate in the playing side of golf now but has, for the past 15 years, worked diligently around the course mowing and maintaining it in top condition.

He now acts as "resident manager", tending to the needs of the club in general, collects green fees and is always ready to "put the kettle on" or produce a "coldie" for local and visiting golfers, making all feel welcome.

In 1978 ideas began to form within the club to replace the sand scrapes on the nine hole course with greens. Now, 11 years later, Joe is delighted to see that dream become a reality.

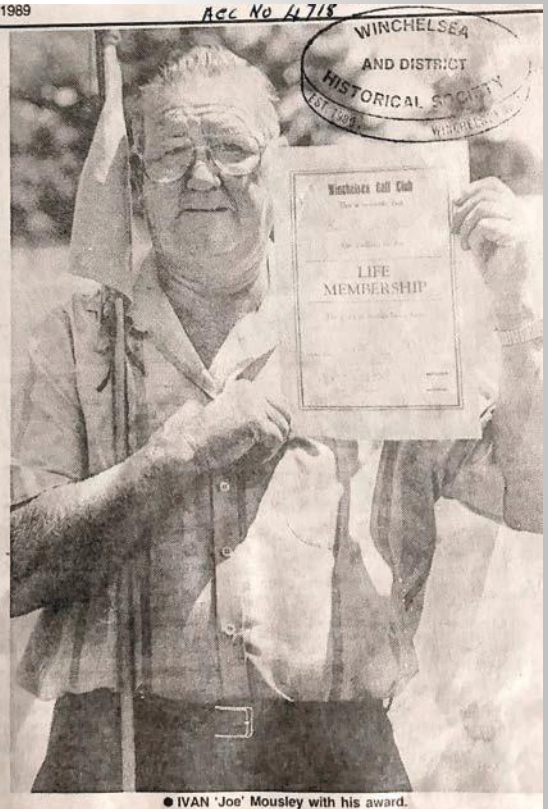
Though he is reluctant to take too much credit for the condition of the course, his pride is obvious to all.

"I think it must be an asset, not only to the club but to the town in general", he said.

On the subject of the Life Membership, Joe said after the initial shock he felt extremely proud.

"I feel very honored and was quite emotional at the time," he said.

Club members agreed that it was a popular and most deserving award.



● IVAN 'Joe' Mousley with his award.



## The Climate Report

Judy Cameron

### Long-range forecast overview from the Bureau of Meteorology

For Sept to Nov, above median maximum temperatures are very likely (greater than 80% chance) for almost all of Australia. For Sept to Nov, warmer than median minimum temperatures are likely (60 to 80% chance) to very likely for most of western and southern Australia.

### **Warmer and drier spring forecast after warmest winter on record**

Issued: Thursday, 31 August 2023

### **The Bureau's long-range forecast for spring 2023 shows below average rainfall is likely for most of Australia along with warmer than usual temperatures.**

The warmer spring forecast comes as winter 2023 looks to be Australia's warmest winter on record. The national mean temperature for winter is currently tracking to be 1.54°C above the 1961–1990 average, which would make it Australia's warmest winter since 1996.

Bureau of Meteorology climate services manager Dr Karl Braganza said

unusually warm days are likely for almost all areas over spring, especially Western Australia and parts of the south-east. "Spring is forecast to be warmer than usual across the country," he said. "This spring, the forecast shows most areas have a high chance of below average rainfall, and many areas have an increased chance of an unusually dry spring."

Areas with the highest chance of an unusually dry spring are the south-west and parts of the east.

There is always the risk of dangerous and destructive fires in Australia during spring. Australia's fire agencies have identified an increased risk of fire this spring for regions in New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and the Northern Territory as part of their Spring 2023 Bushfire Outlook. Communities in these regions are urged to prepare and review their bushfire plans.

Global sea surface temperatures have been the highest on record for the months of April to July 2023. The oceans play an extremely important role

in global climate, including the climate of Australia.

Bureau of Meteorology senior hydrologist Dr Masoud Edraki said the global climate system is looking very unusual right now. "Record high warm sea surface temperatures in all of the global oceans are likely to continue to impact the weather we experience for many months," he said, "We know that a warmer climate does increase the risk of extreme weather including heatwaves and drought."

We are already seeing longer fire seasons, and an increase in the number of dangerous fire weather days over most of Australia. We don't know yet how global warming, and particularly the increased warmth in the oceans, is affecting our typical climate drivers. We'll continue to monitor this closely and how it is likely to affect Australia's climate forecast. Our climate forecast model is consistent with international climate forecasts that show Australia is trending dry and warm for the coming season, particularly in the south-west and much of south-eastern Australia."





Angie Mawson

## A grade

### A grade taking the scenic route



After finishing the season as minor premiers, we earned the week off last week and met last year's premiers in the semi on Saturday.

Winch started strong with a 10-2 lead in the first few minutes, Gemma Stavenuiter and Kat Biscan getting rebounds off the inaccurate East goalers and sending the ball back into attack with force.

Meg Royal was strong through WD/C and Liv Paatch worked well in GA.

Winch led at every break looking to be the powerhouse coming through until the last quarter when things fell into place for East and fell away for Winch. East staged an amazing comeback whilst Winch went into panic mode and things fell away for us. East deserved this win coming from 3 down to win the game by 5 and the Winch girls will be all fired up to take on the loser of

Tomorrow's game in next week's preliminary final. Regroup, reset, refocus. We are not done yet!

## B grade

### B grade make it in a thriller



B grade was our final game for the weekend. East Geelong were always going to fight hard and they came out swinging. Izzy Ryan, Abbie Floyd and Connie Royal were amazing in defence applying pressure to the East goalers for 4 quarters. Izzy combined well with Jade Lane in WD and with rotating Sarah Hampshire, Emma O'Keefe and Claire Mawson through Centre created the "legs" we needed on a hot day. Katrina Filice and Steph Hicks were instrumental with accurate shooting and strong rebounds. Kelly Woods was again a match winner through WA and the use of our rolling sub Leisha Brown giving Kel a rest to reset when required. Joey Botholio also gave drive and patience through the centre court when she had the opportunities.

Winch 32 def East 30

They are also through to the Preliminary final next Saturday.





## C grade

### C grade

#### march into the final dance!



C grade smashed their way into 2023 C grade Grandfinal after a thrilling 1 goal win over Corio in the semi on Saturday. Corio finished on top of the ladder giving them a week off last week.

The devils led from the start taking the lead out to 8'goals in the third quarter, but winch never ever gave up. Our centre court was instrumental all day with strength and composure getting turnovers and setting up the attacking goaling end with opportunity after opportunity. Sandi Bowen and Haylee McCallum used their experience to calm our younger members and kept everyone in the game when it mattered.

Bronte Middleton and Rose Huymys were great in defence and Belinda Czerniawski was amazing in GS

We can't wait to see who these girls will come up against in the Grandfinal.

## Under 15s

### WFNC 15s

#### are into the prelim!



Our baby blues led from the start of the game against Werribee in the 2nd semi on Sunday. We had been beaten by Werribee through the home and away season, but the girls were focused and ready for the challenge.

Millie Partridge was amazing in GS against a very physical GK, and was able to adjust her game to suite the clever defensive end. Millie has shown all finals why she has finished 2nd in the league goal scoring with over 85% accuracy. Reani Mawson created a lot of space with her constant high work rate and was instrumental in the turnovers through the centre court.

Jayde Walker was outstanding in GD proving it's not the size of the dog in the fight. Sienna Nelson and Abi Kuchenmeister shared GK role all day and both played their parts well.

Keeley Smith, Bella Leak and Ash Bell controlled the centre court with balance and calm keeping our girls focused on the job. A great team effort from all girls today, including the girls on the bench. We are very very proud of all of you so far.





## Netball Juniors

### WFNC Netball Juniors



Over the last decade thanks to some dedicated parents and senior club members WFNC has had a strong focus on junior development of our netball section.

Running development training programs (NetSetGo) for ages 5-7 year olds, and 7-11 year old, and competition for 7-11 year olds, along with all-year round competition for all junior age groups all coached by accredited Netball coaches.

Winchelsea Football Netball Club netball section is the strongest we have ever been and looking to continue this development in the future.

If you or your child is interested in being part of this program our summer season is due to start at the end of October 2023.

Please contact Claire Mawson on 0478 839 842. We will have 2 x 11&u teams, 13&u, 15&u, 17&u. All entry costs will be paid by WFNC (excluding insurance), club dresses and uniforms can be hired or purchased.

Thank you to Shae Callahan, Jayde Walker and Elizabeth Humphries for coaching NetSetGo and our 11&u through the winter season.

All our girls have improved and are looking forward to marching into summer season.





# Streamlining teacher recruitment

The State Government is attracting more teachers to work in Victorian government schools with a new recruitment process – making it easier to connect talented teachers with the right job.

Minister for Education Natalie Hutchins today launched the Teacher Recruitment Initiative, which will streamline recruitment processes and reduce the time it takes for local schools to match and fill teaching vacancies.

The initiative makes it simpler for schools to connect with teachers through an easy-to-use centralised recruitment platform that matches applicant preferences and availability with teacher vacancies.

Under the new platform, teachers can create an online profile in the Job Opportunities Pool outlining employment preferences such as their desired location and then be considered simultaneously for vacancies, reducing the need to manage multiple applications.

The Job Opportunities Pool matches applicants' skills and work preferences,

providing a ready-made list of potential hires for school recruiters.

Selected graduates are also eligible to receive one of 400 financial incentive packages of \$5,650 to start their employment at a government school.

Through the Victorian Budget 2023/24, the Labor Government has invested \$12 million to get returning teachers back to the classroom through the Teacher Re-Engagement Initiative, giving paid placements of up to 40 days in schools alongside mentoring supports to help build teachers' readiness to return to the workforce.

In addition, the Labor Government is running a \$4 million targeted recruitment campaign to attract and retain high-quality teachers in government schools.

The Victorian Budget 2023/24 includes a further \$32.2 million to support pre-service teachers undertaking placements in rural and regional schools and \$9.5 million to enhance flexible and job-sharing working arrangements for school leaders.

## Council draws on community knowledge and passion to help improve health of Karaaf Wetlands

Community knowledge and care for the Karaaf Wetlands are being drawn on to help develop solutions to address the impact stormwater is having on the culturally and environmentally significant saltmarsh.

The Karaaf Wetlands Community Reference Group, which held its first meeting in May, is working collaboratively with Surf Coast Shire Council along with other stakeholders to help ensure the future health of the Karaaf Wetlands is the best it can be.

Karaaf Wetlands Community Reference Group Chair Jeff Rigby said the group brought together 11 passionate, committed and like-minded volunteers from the local community to work with Council and consultants on a program of projects and initiatives to reduce the volume and improve the quality of stormwater that flows into the Karaaf Wetlands from north Torquay.

"The future of the Karaaf Wetlands is dependent on positive and proactive action that is founded on sound science

and engineering, the goodwill of all stakeholders involved and a committed and unified approach by all," Mr Rigby said.

The group's first priority is providing input on key projects including:

- Developing stormwater diversion options.
- Improving stormwater quality and monitoring in the existing constructed wetland system.

"We are really fortunate to have so many locals who care about the Karaaf Wetlands, and the community reference group allows us to make the most of the different skillsets and passion in our community," Surf Coast Shire Mayor Cr Liz Pattison said.

"We know that stormwater systems are complex, solutions can be expensive and we want to get it right, so the more information we have the better. We must make sure any diversion or improvement works are carefully considered to ensure there aren't any unintended impacts."



## Winchelsea Pram Walks

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## Thought for the Week

"Let your tears flow forth.  
Honestly within your own soul,  
with trusted persons,  
and before God.  
Releasing your tears opens."

**John Bader,**

Former U/C Accredited Lay Preacher

# Country Women's Association (CWA)

## Winchelsea Branch

### Jean Shinnors

Did you know Winchelsea has a CWA branch? No! well we do, and we hope to highlight each month who we are, what we do and how we support our Winchelsea community.

Let start by telling you about CWA Victoria in general. The Country Women's Association of Victoria was formed 12 March 1928 and today has approximately 5,000 members of women whose main purpose is to support women, children and families right across Victoria.

It's a vibrant, volunteer philanthropic organisation with a focus on friendship, personal development and advocacy.

There are day, night, virtual and weekend branches that hold gatherings to cater for everyone's needs.

Members are encouraged to support each other, make a difference in their communities and advocate on community issues, sustainable development and the protection of the environment, and social issues.

The Country Women's Association of Victoria awards education grants and scholarships to non-members and members, while providing training and leadership opportunities to members.

We have a monthly get together where we cook, we craft, we advocate for change whilst always striving and challenging ourselves to stay relevant.

**Our local Winchelsea branch meets at night @7pm on the second Wednesday of the month at the Senior Citizens Hall.**

We are part of the wider group of Polwarth along with other branches in Irrewarra, Birregurra, Colac and Barongarook.

We have 15 active, fun members of different ages, backgrounds and skills. Our local focus is on having fun, making friends, sharing our skills and raising funds which we put towards supporting lots of different things within the Winchelsea community (believe it or not you don't have to know how to cook or craft others can teach you or not! just come along for a chat!).



Our main fundraiser is the local market, you may have seen us there and purchased from us. If you have Thankyou and know that your money will be directly spent within our community.

Last year we supported a number of local people with vouchers or care packs, and some local organisations, such as the Winch Community House, Winch Playgroup, Wensleydale Hall project and philanthropy funds via Winchelsea Chemist.

If CWA sounds interesting to you, come chat to us at the Winchelsea Community Market, contact us on FB, call our President Kim (See number in the Community Pages) or just come along on the night!

Next meeting Wed 13 September 2023 – we are doing machine sewing basics!

## Recipe of the Month

We're happy to share a Recipe of the Month (Requests taken, let us know)

### Winter Leek and Potato Soup

#### Ingredients

60ml olive oil,  
1 brown onion chopped,  
1 clove garlic crushed,  
4 medium (700g) Desiree potatoes cut into small cubes,  
2 leeks pale section only thinly sliced,  
1.25l vegetable stock,  
125ml cream,  
Fresh chives,  
Croutons and black pepper to serve.

#### Method:

Heat oil in large saucepan add onion and garlic, cook for 3 minutes until softens. Add potato and leek, cook for 5 minutes until leek softens. Add stock and bring to the boil. Reduce heat to medium and gently boil uncovered for 20minutes or until potato is soft. Cool for 10 minutes.

Blend with stick or jug blender until smooth. (You could use a potato masher, but it will be a bit lumpy in texture) Add cream and return to a medium heat for 5 minutes. Serve with croutons and chives or just chives and pepper. And crusty bread. Yum!

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#### *Knitting Group*

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#### *Chatty Café*

When: Friday mornings 10.30am-12 noon  
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#### *Singing Group*

When: Wednesday afternoons  
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When: Alternate Saturday afternoons  
1.30pm, Winchelsea Community House Space  
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#### *Responsible Service of Alcohol*

When: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2023  
Approx 6pm-10pm (further details coming)  
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This will be a free session so save the date!

#### *First Aid and CPR Refresher*

When: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2023  
Winchelsea Shire Hall  
CPR Refresher – 8.30am-10.30am (approx.) Cost \$70  
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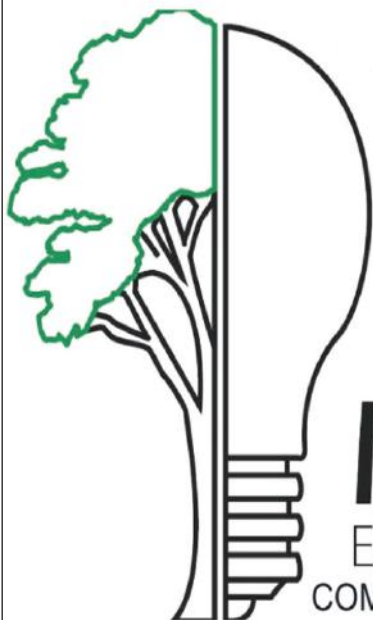
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