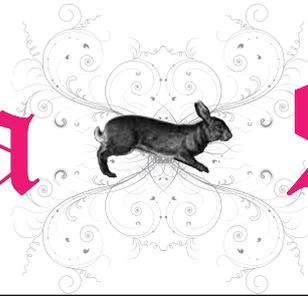


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Students of Mel's Dance Central Winchelsea danced their way down the parade on their colourful float at the Colac Kana Festival last weekend

Opening Celebration for the Winchelsea Station Precinct Mural



Wednesday 27 March 2024, 11.45am – 12.30pm

Railway Ave, Winchelsea Station Precinct.

Please join us to celebrate the completion of this wonderful new mural by local artist Lauren Green and to acknowledge its supporters.



Exciting things happening at the Winchelsea Shire Hall

Jill Evans

Fermenting in the Shire Hall kitchen

On Saturday 16 March four lucky people were treated to the most amazing fermenting course with Dim (Longevity Olive Oil).

We learned the benefits of fermenting and the relatively easy process to make our own Sauerkraut. The benefits of fermenting vegetables means our stomachs (gut) are much healthier. Dim has perfected the method and ran an informative and enjoyable session. I highly recommend you put your name down for the next session as there are only four spaces available.

Samantha Wittaker exhibition.

The James Street Gallery is bringing Samantha's work to Winchelsea over Easter. Come and have a look, catch up with Samantha and her friends, buy a tea towel with Samantha's artwork on it (they will make excellent gifts). The opening is at 5.00pm on Wednesday 27th March.



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Greetings
from
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Artwork by Sam Whittaker, James Street Gallery

An exhibition all about the wonderful town of 'Winch' by local artist Sam Whittaker and her fellow art friends, Natalee Anderson, Christine Ericksson, Kyra Keenahan, Linda Francis and John Stewart from genU's James Street Gallery.

The exhibition opens with an afternoon tea supplied by the Winchelsea CWA on Wednesday 27th March at 5pm at the

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Work progressing on Winchelsea Pool redevelopment, river loop design



Winchelsea Pool redevelopment render

Redevelopment of Winchelsea Swimming Pool is continuing, with demolition of former facilities underway and expected to be complete by the end of March.

Construction of replacement 25-metre and leisure pools and a new zero-depth splash park will start as soon as demolition is complete and take several months.

The redevelopment will also include renewal of pool concourses and drainage and construction of a new amenities building at the south-east end of the site, creating a more central entry point off Barwon Terrace and better connection with adjoining Adventure Park.

The much-loved former pool had reached the end of its serviceable life after having provided summer refreshment, exercise and fun for families and visitors since 1963.

Input from community engagement and a Community Reference Group has helped inform designs for the redevelopment and decide on elements for the splash park.

Work on stage two of Winchelsea's Barwon River Loop is also progressing, with construction expected to start mid-2024.

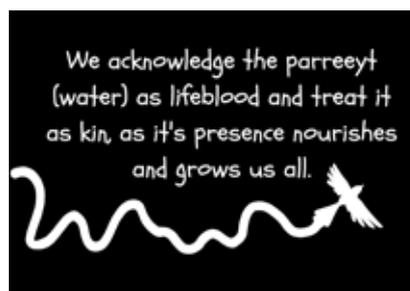
Stage two north of the Princes Highway bluestone bridge will link with the previously completed stage one to create a two-kilometre path connecting Winchelsea's four quadrants, better connecting the community with the river environment.

A pedestrian bridge will replace an existing culvert crossing near Armytage Street, and viewing platforms will be installed on both banks of the river between the two bridges.

The western bank of the Barwon River is Eastern Maar Country, and the eastern bank is Wadawurrung Country.

A Cultural Heritage Management Plan is now in place for stage two and Council is working with Eastern Maar Guldjian artist Ebony Hickey and Wadawurrung artist Billy-Jay O'Toole who have each designed artwork to feature on steel cut panels on the viewing platforms.

Visit surfcoast.vic.gov.au/WinchProjects for Winchelsea project updates.



Section from Eastern Maar Guldjian river viewing platform design by Ebony Hickey



Section from Wadawurrung river viewing platform design by Billy-Jay O'Toole



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Event details

DATE: TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2024
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 Followed by dinner
COST: FREE
LOCATION: Inverleigh Public Hall,
 71 High St, Inverleigh VIC 3321



Key focus areas



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This program is supported by Western Victoria Primary Health Network under the Australian Government's Primary Health Networks Program.



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Winchelsea Bowls Club

Presentation Night Saturday 23rd March

Julie Johnson

This year Presentation Night was held at the Winchelsea Hotel with great representation across the playing groups and many sponsors of the club in attendance.

President Geoff Orchard and Coach Rhys Jeffs presented the club events winners and runners up with their prizes.

Geoff presented each of the Grand Final winners with a laminated colorful memento of that special day on the green.

Rhys presented some well deserved coaches awards to Erin Baulch, Rob Walters, Alex Heaton-Harris and Marcia Brandenburg.

Winchelsea Blues Bowls were then proud to introduce new Life Member Peter McConachy. Twenty three years of continuous work for the club in all the areas of administration, sponsorship, tournaments, fundraising and maintenance was rewarded in an emotional Presentation Night. Peter's love of the sport his representation of Winchelsea at tournaments across the region and his accreditation as an umpire were also noted.

The certificate was presented by President Geoff and Coach Rhys and Peter was supported by 2 of his children and other family members. Richly deserved, congratulations Peter.

May the bowls be with you!!



Rhys Jeffs, Peter McConachy, Geoff Orchard



Ava, Emily (Bartlett), Peter, Mark, Claire and Harry McConachy

Have your say about our unsealed roads



HAVE YOUR SAY



Council is reviewing the maintenance and renewal of unsealed roads in the Surf Coast Shire.

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Little Wing Puppets present:
School Holiday Performance & Workshop



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Make sure to also book in for our *Puppetry of Paper Workshop* following the show!

Monday, 8 April 2024

10.30 am

Ticket \$15, Concession \$14, COPACC 2024 Member \$12



Little Wing Puppets present:

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Scrunch, rip, twist, tear!

How many things can you do with a piece of paper? This workshop is based on *Bunraku*-style puppetry, a traditional Japanese form of theatre which involves multiple puppeteers working closely together to operate one puppet.

Workshop participants will start by making a unique puppet out of paper before learning techniques for bringing their puppet to life, either as individuals or as a team.

Loads of fun for young and old alike as well as everyone in between.



Monday, 8 April 2024

11.45 am

Ticket \$5 with performance ticket (A little bit of Blue)

Parklet Pilot to end after Easter



Surf Coast Shire is trialling a Parklet with the Beach Hotel in Jan Juc.

A Parklet Pilot has been in place since mid-January and finishes on Sunday 7 April (when daylight savings ends).

What is a parklet?

A parklet offers public seating and opportunities for street dining or green spaces. Kerbside parking adjacent to a hospitality business, is transformed into a vibrant community space.

Beach Hotel with the support of Surf Coast Shire Council is utilising three car parks during this pilot period.

What's the reason for this pilot?

The pilot will help inform if a permanent parklet program, and guidelines should be incorporated into Council's Local Law. It will also influence if more of these outdoor spaces should be considered across the shire.

Share your thoughts

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Sue Marshman
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Alyson Burchell
Funeral Director

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Amy Fisher is a regular key note speaker and will present what can be a complicated subject in a clear and easy to understand way.

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This event was made possible by the following volunteers.

Sandra DIXON * Murray AISBETT * Don SMITH * Neil McINNES * Kate McINNES * John HUTTON * Karen RICHENS * Mick O'MARA * Kevin GREEN

Special thanks to Karen and Kevin who were visiting our parkrun and volunteered their time. Thanks to the Lions Club for their help

Summary results can be found at trebeckreserveparkrun.com.au/results Check our Facebook page for photos and further information. If you wish to attend, please complete the simple online form at parkrun.com.au/register this only needs to be done once and can be used worldwide.

parkrun needs volunteers to conduct each event. Tasks are easily learnt, sociable and fun. Please contact us if you are able to help out, either one off or more regular.

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

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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 on 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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Hooked on Bridge

Elaine Atkinson

Following a successful campaign to encourage interest in the establishment of Winchelsea's own Social Bridge, the group commenced the first beginners class on Tuesday 12 March 2024 at the Senior Citizens Club in Harding Street.

"Learning the history of Bridge and understanding the terminology was a good introduction to the game," said Jean Shinnars, Secretary of Winchelsea Senior Citizens Club and a new beginner to the game.

"Finding out about the early days of Bridge was fascinating but I am still trying to get my head around the Finesse an important concept in play. There is much to learn but I am finding the beginners class an excellent format - I am hooked," continues Jean.

The Beginners Class is structured to take you from knowing nothing to being a novice player in eight weeks – step by step with practice hands and notes to help.

"Bridge is never boring - every hand is different. It's a fun and friendly way to keep the grey matter active now that I am no longer working, said Veronica Levay a novice player with the Colac Bridge Club. Veronica wanted to get back to basics to improve her game.

"I really appreciated the opportunity to come to Winchelsea and meet other interested players. I hope that eventually we may be able to enjoy a two town competition as interest grows to not only foster some friendly rivalry but to meet new friends," continues Veronica.

Winchelsea is taking up Bridge with students enjoying the mental stimulation they get from every hand of Bridge. They are playing not only for the enjoyment but to keep the brain active - use it or lose it!

"Bridge offers me a good social life and creates opportunities to meet new friends," said Elaine Atkinson, Coordinator of the Beginners Class. Since moving to Winchelsea in July last



Veronica Levay, Russell Brown,
Jean Shinnars & Maureen Gunsson



Arthur Robbins

year I have loved getting involved with the community and the support I have received has been fantastic. The Senior Citizens Club is a great venue and the committee was very interested in establishing further social opportunities for the community. I thank them greatly for their assistance and also the Winchelsea & District Community Bank Branch of Bendigo Bank for their donation of pens. With their combined support let's hope many more community members will get hooked on Bridge, " concludes Elaine.

Victoria's top apprentices compete at Worldskills Competition

Victoria State Government

Victorians will make up more than a third of the 33 young apprentices, trainees, and students representing Australia showcasing their vocational skills at the WorldSkills 47th International Competition in France this September.

Minister for Skills and TAFE Gayle Tierney extended her congratulations to all the students selected for Team Australia – named the Skillaroos – who will join 1,500 participants from 75 countries competing in Lyon.

The competition gives thousands of apprentices and trainees the chance to demonstrate their talent across more than 59 disciplines. Over four days, they complete practical tasks set by industry experts to assess their knowledge, competence and employability skills against a set of strict criteria.

The 12 Victorians in the event this year make up the largest Victorian contingent of Skillaroos since 1995 – when the

competition was last hosted in Lyon. These are the top apprentices and trainees in their fields – which include traditional skills like carpentry, heavy vehicle mechanics and plumbing, and new skills in areas like cloud computing, additive manufacturing and mechatronics.

Before heading to France, the Skillaroos will have a final training exercise at the 2024 Global Skills Challenge in Victoria in May, hosted at various TAFE campuses that will simulate the conditions of the international competition.

Since 2014, the Labor Government has invested more than \$4 billion to repair the broken TAFE system brought to its knees by the former Liberal Government and introduced Free TAFE in 2019 – helping more than 157,500 students gain the skills for the jobs they want, while saving \$436 million in fees.

To find out more about WorldSkills and see the Victorians selected for Team Australia, visit www.worldskills.org.au.

Dance students attend Kana Festival

Melanie Dobrovoljni

The students of Mel's Dance Central danced their way down the parade on their colourful float last weekend at the Colac Kana Festival.

Dressed in bright and colourful dance costumes, dancing with silver pom poms, it was nothing but spectacular!

Mel's Dance Central love that they can provide their students with opportunities like these, where the students can showcase their hard work and perform at local events. It was such a fantastic day had by all.

Congratulations dancers!



Expanding newborn screening for Victorian babies

Victoria State Government

Victorian newborns will now be screened for two additional rare but serious health conditions, helping identify babies at risk and making sure they get the lifesaving treatment they need sooner.

The Newborn Bloodspot Screening Program will now test for spinal muscular atrophy and severe combined immunodeficiency. Commonly referred to as the heel prick test, the addition of SCID and SMA will see the program test babies for 29 uncommon conditions.

Weakening the immune system, SCID affects the body's ability to fight infections due to compromised white blood cells, but early diagnosis and stem cell treatment before three-and-a-half months can be lifesaving. Identifying newborns with SCID will enable access to new gene therapy trial delivered by the Murdoch Children's Research Institute.

SMA is a serious disease-causing progressive muscle wastage and weakness that is life threatening without treatment. While there is currently no cure, early intervention and new treatments are improving outcomes.

The program is offered to the parents of all newborns within their first 72 hours of life, at no cost. In 2023, more than 73,000 Victorian newborns were screened.

Winchelsea Golf Club Results

WOMEN: Wednesday 20.03.2024
Quarterly Medal, Stroke, Putting
Winner: Robyn Vesey (21) 77
R/Up: Sue Cuthbert (30) 80
Putting: Robyn Vesey 30 putts

MENS: Midweek Comp 20.03.2024 Stableford
Winner: Nick Stone (10) 38pts
R/Up: Doug McLennan (25) 36pts
NTP: Stephen Cole

Mens: Saturday 23.03.2024
Greg Drayton Memorial 4BB
Winners: Don Cuttler & Stephen Cole 45pts
R/Up: Matthew Beauchamp & Stephen Cole 44pts
NTP: 6/15th Don Cuttler
Golden Hole 11th Evan Partridge

It's not often that someone puts a score in under their age....off the stick.
Don Cuttler probably did that on Saturday.
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Sue Cuthbert

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Child Care First Aid Course

(Includes free CPR)

Do you work at at Childcare center, Family day care or school, then the Childcare First Aid course is for you contact us
We run local weekly childcare First Aid courses



Teddy Bears Picnic at Hesse Rural Health

Danni Menzies

The Winchelsea Playgroup went mobile this week to go and visit some very special residents at Hesse Rural Health.

It also coincided with Playgroup Victoria's very special 50 year of celebrations of being open and the theme was all around a Teddy Bears Picnic.

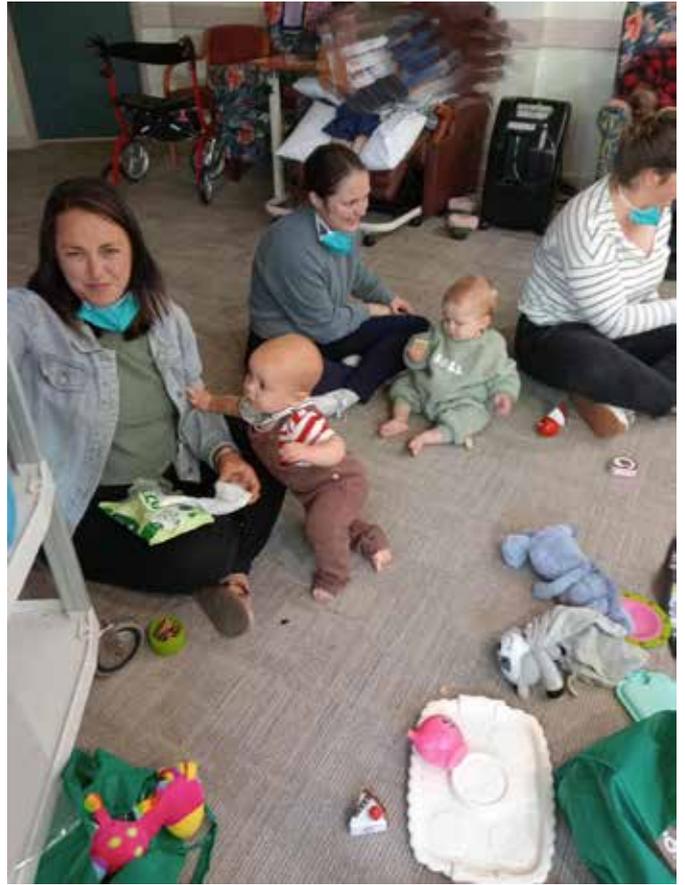
We took all sorts of toys and things to do, like drawing and making pretend cups of tea for the residents. We also welcomed some new faces to our playgroup gang which was so lovely.

The children thoroughly enjoyed chatting to the residents and showing them what they could do. We had lots of laughter and imaginary morning tea complete with pretend Easter eggs and carrots.

There were crayons for colouring, musical toys for banging and lots of children's chattering and laughter. It was so lovely to be able to do this for the residents.

Our playgroup wants to mention a special thank you to the lifestyle coordinators at Hesse Rural Health for allowing this to happen, and for being so open to bringing the children to engage with the residents it truly was a special session.

We can't wait come and visit again in Term 2!



We'd love to see you!

WINCHELSEA PLAYGROUP

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Playgroup Leader - Danni Menzies

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27TH JUNE



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Council's 2025 kinder applications open 2 April

Surf Coast Shire

Parent Courtney Weybury is excited her family has started another chapter with Torquay Kindergarten, after watching her first daughter thrive at the service.

Surf Coast Shire Council will open its 2025 kindergarten applications on 2 April 2024, offering three-year-old and four-year-old programs across the shire.



Goldie Sheehan has enjoyed her start at Torquay Kindergarten

Torquay resident Courtney reflected on the positive outcomes that two years of kinder. "My first daughter Hazel, now in year one, did three-year-old and four-year-old kinder at Torquay," she said. "My youngest Goldie has started three-year-old this year. It blows my mind the activities and opportunities the kids get exposed to: from beach and bush kinder and visits from Melbourne Museum, to cooking, science experiments and learning about Country. It is such a wonderful place."

Torquay Kindergarten on Grossmans Road is one of six Council-run kindergartens, including Anglesea Kindergarten, Helen M Kininmonth Kindergarten in Winchelsea, Jan Juc Pre-School, Kurrabee Myaring Kindergarten in Torquay, and Lorne Kindergarten.

"We thought sending the girls to Torquay Kinder would be a good opportunity to get to know kids they might go to school with," Courtney said. "We've loved the kinder community, and we've made wonderful friendships. Also, the teachers are so patient, caring and knowledgeable. From day one both girls felt safe and happy."

Councillor Kate Gazzard said Council's kinder programs are free, thanks to the Victorian Government. "The formative pre-school years are so important to children's development, when they learn faster than at any other time in their life."

Applications for 2025 open Tuesday 2 April 2024. For further details and how to apply, visit surfcoast.vic.gov.au/kinder.

Families are encouraged to apply before Sunday 16 June 2024, when first round applications close. The application form will remain open for second and third round offers.

More funding for local environmental projects

Victoria State Government

The State Government is boosting funding for community-driven environmental projects to protect and restore Victoria's precious natural environment into the future.

Environmental volunteer groups can now access \$3.55 million through the 2024 Victorian Landcare Grants program – supporting more projects that protect and restore the state's iconic natural assets.

These grants are open to environmental volunteer groups and networks, including Landcare groups and networks, Friends groups, Conservation Management Networks, Committees of Management, Coastcare groups and Aboriginal groups.

Project grants up to \$20,000 are available for on-ground works and community-based projects focused on preserving native vegetation and wildlife, waterways, wetlands, soils, and other natural habitats and ecosystems.

Support Grants up to \$500 is available to assist with costs such as insurance, incorporation and operational expenses, or events, community engagement, websites, and other communications.



Cultura_planting

Last year, these grants funded more than 240 projects - from planting pollinator corridors for bees in the Mount Alexander region to restoring rainforest in the Yarra Ranges – helping to strengthen protections through vital on-ground natural environment improvement works and community-based education and engagement initiatives.

Applications for the Victorian Landcare Grants will close at 5pm April 30.

For more information and to apply, visit www.environment.vic.gov.au/grants/victorian-landcare-grants.

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Services 9.30am Sundays

Thought for the Week

"Deal only with the present,
Never step into tomorrow.

For God asks us just to trust him
and to never borrow sorrow,
for the future is not ours to know,
and it may never be.

So let us live and give our best
and give it lavishly."

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Easter is more than just bunnies and eggs

Rev'd Phil Jacobson

Easter is just around the corner, and you know what that means – chocolate bunnies, brightly wrapped Easter eggs, and, of course, a long weekend. But hold on a minute before you dismiss it as just another commercialized holiday. There's more to Easter than meets the eye, and it's worth taking a moment to look at its deeper significance.

First things first, let's address the bunny in the room – the Easter Bunny, that is. While hopping bunnies and egg hunts are undeniably fun traditions, they're actually based on ancient pagan festivals celebrating spring and fertility. So, how did they end up associated with Easter?

Well, it turns out that Easter, for Christians, is about something entirely different – it's the celebration of Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead. Now, I know what you might be thinking – "Wait, who's this Jesus fellow, and why should I care?" Fair question. Let's break it down.

According to Christian belief, Jesus was a historical figure who lived over two thousand years ago. He was a teacher, a healer, and according to his followers, the Son of God. His teachings focused on love, forgiveness, and compassion – pretty good stuff, right? But things took a dramatic turn when the authorities of his time crucified him.

Now, crucifixion wasn't just any form of execution – it was reserved for the worst of the worst, the rebels, and troublemakers. So, you can imagine the shock when Jesus' followers claimed that he had risen from the dead, just three days after his death. This event, known as the Resurrection, is what Easter is all about for Christians.

But why is it such a big deal? Well, for believers, the Resurrection is seen as proof of Jesus' divinity and his victory over death. It's the foundation of the Christian faith, symbolizing hope, renewal, and the promise of life beyond death.

Now, I get it – this might all sound a bit far-fetched if you're not into religion.

St Thomas
Anglican Church
Winchelsea



Children's Easter Service
Friday 29th March
5pm

St Thomas Church
Barwon Terrace
Winchelsea
All Welcome

And anyway, scepticism is healthy. But whether or not you enter into the whole thing concerning resurrection, Easter still has something valuable to offer – a message of hope and renewal.

In today's world that's really not a bad message as we're reminded that even in the darkest of times, there's always the promise of new beginnings. Easter invites us to embrace change, to let go of the past, and to look forward with optimism.

So, whether you celebrate Easter for its religious significance or simply as an excuse to indulge in chocolate, take a moment to think about what it represents – a reminder that even in our darkest moments, there's always the promise of light. And who knows, you might just find a little hope springing up in the most unexpected places.

In the end, Easter is more than just bunnies and eggs – it's a celebration of life, love, and the eternal human quest for meaning. So, however you choose to mark the occasion, may your Easter be filled with joy, hope, and maybe just a little bit of chocolate.

Our Easter Services, at St Thomas, :-

- Maundy Thursday 7.00pm, incorporating a "Tenebrae Service".
- Good Friday Combined Churches Service 10.00am at St John's Catholic Church.
- Easter Sunday. 10.00am, incorporating the renewal of baptismal vows.



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St Thomas' Anglican Church – 7pm

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Easter Vigil Saturday 30th March

St John's Catholic Church 6pm

Easter Day Sunday 31st March – Services

St Thomas Anglican Church 10AM

Winchelsea Uniting – combined at

Grovedale Uniting Church 9.30am

(272 Torquay Road, Grovedale)



EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL

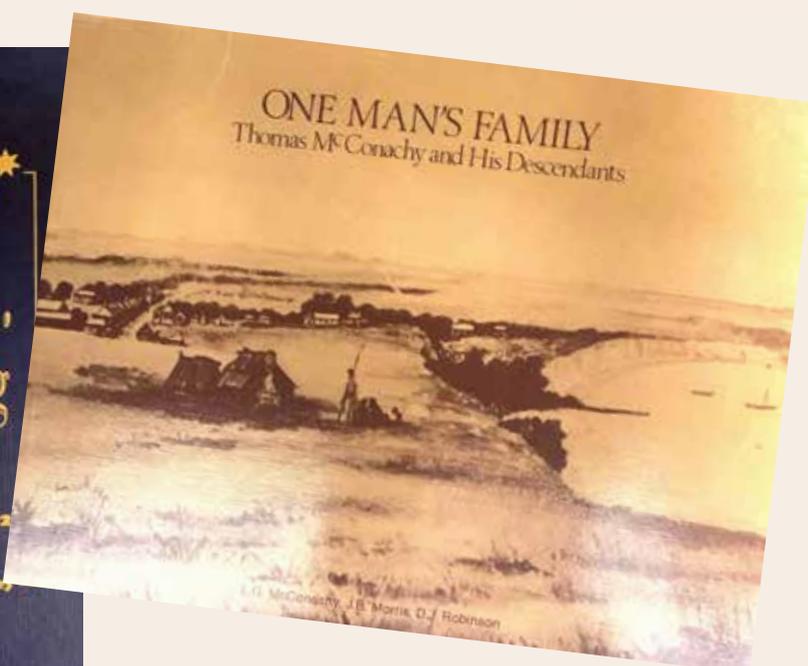
WINCHELSEA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Winchelsea family history

The following list is a list of family histories in our collection. Other histories would be most welcome.

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Letter to the Editor

I was perturbed by the opinion piece in the last week's Winchelsea Star headed "An alternative Climate report" claiming renewable energy projects would overtake 70% of agricultural land in Victoria!

While there was no references to prove this claim there are benefits to farmers in helping the urgent move to cheaper renewable energy to ease climate change.

Brett Hall of Farmers for Climate Action said farmers making good money from renewables projects weren't hard to find. "Income during drought is vital when you're trying to run a family farm and renewable energy delivers that. Typical payments being offered to farmers by wind companies are now more than \$40,000 per turbine per year, and many farms host dozens of turbines whilst still farming sheep or cattle. Solar companies are now offering farmers around \$1500 per hectare per year rent."

Horsham grain farmer Susan Findlay Tickner has five wind turbines on her family farm as well as five and a half kilometres of transmission (14 transmission towers).

"The wind brings us stable income, locked in regardless of whether we have a huge harvest or a poor one," Mrs Findlay Tickner said.

"We've been farming under transmission for 50 years without issue. We run harvesters under them and farm around them just like we farm around trees. Some people claim you can't fight fires near turbines but I have photos of aerial bombers extinguishing a fire between ours."

Wellington NSW fine wool farmer Tony Inder's sheep graze under solar panels at a solar farm.

"The sheep I graze under the solar farm produce better wool, I think because there's more even nutrition given the panels create shade in summer and provide a wind break in winter. My sheep are part of a study investigating this. Farming helps renewables and renewables help farming."

My final quote is from António Guterres, secretary-general of the United Nations "Climate change is moving faster than we are, but we don't give up because we know that climate action is the only path."

Judy Cameron, Bambra



Wind Tower



Barwon Park Farmer Ewan Peel, National Trust Interim CEO Philip Martins, Barwon Water Project Manager Gurvinder Kaur who led the project, and Barwon Water GM Seamus Butcher

Barwon Water and the National Trust preserve the past by stepping into the future

Barwon Water and the National Trust of Australia (Vic) are preserving the past by stepping into the future, with recycled water infrastructure installed and commissioned to irrigate farmland surrounding Barwon Park Mansion.

Barwon Water General Manager Planning, Delivery and

Environment Seamus Butcher said an underground recycled water pipeline has been installed to connect the Winchelsea Water Reclamation Plant to Barwon Park. The new, 1.8-kilometre pipeline now supplies Barwon Park with recycled water to irrigate farmland. Construction began in mid-August 2023 and has just been completed.

In addition to the permanent pipeline from the Winchelsea WRP to Barwon Park, Barwon Water supplied and installed a new pivot irrigator at the Barwon Park site. A new pump station at the Winchelsea WRP was also constructed to supply the water to the irrigator, while the power at Barwon Park was upgraded to run it.

"Partnering with the National Trust has delivered a win-win for both our organisations through the beneficial allocation of 80 million litres of recycled water for agricultural use at the Barwon Park property," Mr Butcher said.

Barwon Park farmer Ewan Peel said the 48 acres of land surrounding the Barwon Park Mansion was primarily dedicated to growing crop fodder and that the installation of the irrigation system meant the site could become even more productive and attractive to visitors.

"The proceeds from the sale of these crops will contribute to maintaining the mansion and grounds."

Mr Butcher said Barwon Water's significant investment in this project demonstrated the organisation's commitment to putting recycled water to productive reuse to preserve precious drinking water supplies and protect the environment.

"We're very appreciative of the National Trust's vision and cooperation in enabling this project to happen."



<i>Southern Victoria planting</i>	Apr	May
Asparagus crown		x
Beans, Broad	x	x
Broccoli*	x	x
Cabbage	x	x
Cabbage Kai & Bok Choy	x	
Carrots	x	x
Cauliflower	x	x
Cress	x	x
Endive	x	x
Garlic, cloves	x	x
Onions	x	x
Onions, Spring	x	x
Parsley	x	
Parsnips	x	
Potatoes		x
Radishes	x	x
Salsify	x	
Shallots, cloves	x	x
Spinach	x	x
	Apr	May

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A qr code for a donation

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The raffle will be drawn at 6 pm on Good Friday at Kara Kawna, the East end of Karamarra Road. Gherang – come and bear witness!



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Eleven breeders added to GA honour board

Genetics Australia

Eleven Australian farmers whose bulls have made a huge contribution on the national herd and many herds across the globe have been added to the Genetics Australia Honour Board.

Six Jersey, three Holstein and two Australian Reds breeders received the honour during the GA 2024: Today, Tomorrow and Beyond conference in Geelong on March 18, joining an elite group of master breeders.

Genetics Australia (GA) CEO Anthony Shelly said the honour board, which takes pride of place in the GA boardroom, features Australian as well as several overseas breeders who have bred bulls that made a significant mark on genetic improvement in Australia.

“Our latest breeders added to the list thoroughly deserve this accolade,” Mr Shelly said. “While they have different approaches to their breeding, all have made a massive contribution to the growth and genetic improvement of their respective breeds in Australia.”

Traditionally, selection to the honour board was based primarily on proven bulls but today it is a broader combination of genomic and proven bull successes.

Conference shows genetics holds key to sustainable beef and dairy cattle industries

Genetics will play a critical role in making Australia’s beef and dairy industries more environmentally sustainable and profitable, a major conference has been told.

The GA 2024 Today, Tomorrow and Beyond conference hosted by Genetics Australia in Geelong on March 18-19 featured national and international speakers and farmers discussing emerging developments in the dairy and beef sectors.

The conference highlighted the success of the Australian genetics industry and its growing reputation on the international scene.

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South-west farmers see how their futures could evolve

DemoDairy

Young south-west Victorian dairy farmers have seen how their farming futures could evolve during a New Zealand study tour.

The five-day WestVic Dairy - Young Dairy Network NZ Dairy Study Tour, supported by DemoDAIRY Foundation, introduced nearly 20 young farmers to five different farming systems in the Waikato and Bay of Plenty areas.

The tour focused on maximising pasture and forage utilisation for profitable milk production, adapting to changes in environmental legislation and using technology to improve efficiency – including Halter virtual fencing.

Lenise Mantell, 24, and Billy Buckingham, 27, were among those participating and both say the experience was invaluable.

Lnise, 24, who works for Reggie and Tanya Davis' Lilydale Dairy Farms near Cobden, joined the Young Dairy Network after moving from NSW to meet new people. "I've only been in the industry for three years and wanted to see a different style of farming," she said. "It was a great opportunity. It's expensive in New Zealand and I can see why they have to be on top of their game."

A third generation-farmer from Jancourt East who farms with his father and uncle, Billy wanted to see how other farms operate and what he could implement on the family farm. "Every system is different; there's no wrong or right way to do things, but we can all learn."



Billy was surprised New Zealand farmers don't feed grain through their dairies, but learnt how they had to import grain and instead turn to palm kernel for feed. "They do a lot of maize and get ridiculous growth because of the higher rainfall and soil temperature," he added.

Billy has returned home with a lot of topics to discuss, including feed pads, grass management, effluent management, virtual fencing and once-a-day milking. "The effluent side really interested me," he said. "I feel like the regulations they are facing now will be in Australia in the next 10 to 15 years. It made me think we need to get proactive and have things in place so it won't be a big shock to the system if we have to do it here."

Visit the DemoDAIRY Foundation website <https://www.demodairy.com.au> or contact DDF secretary Ian Teese on 0427 358987 or itag@bigpond.com for more information on DDF or the Powell Legacy Fund.

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- Is difficult to control when ablaze, due to the high radiant heat.

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Created by the Victorian Gorse Taskforce (VGT) with support from the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and Landcare Victoria Inc.



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Blues News



Janet Fletcher

Last Saturday 23rd March was the Winchelsea Blues Season Launch at the Barwon Hotel. Not quite the great attendance as in the last couple of seasons but none the less those that attended had a great time.

Winners of the Season Launch Raffle are as follows:

- 1st prize \$150 P & L Maguire Butcher Voucher won by Elizabeth Leak
- 2nd prize \$100 L & H Poultry Voucher won by Harry Kelly
- 3rd prize Hamper from the Garden of Eden – Colac won by Caroline Wojtowicz
- 4th prize Wine & Chocolate Hamper won by Connie Royal
- 5th prize Foxes Den Vouchers won by Norm Banham
- 6th prize – W.F.N.C. Team scarf won by Lachie Gemmill

Congratulations to all those who bought tickets to support the Winchelsea Blues and congratulations to all those taking home a prize.

Thanks go to all who sponsored this Season Launch Raffle and continue to support the Club throughout the Season.

Not long to go until the opening bounce of Round 1 Season 2024 which will take place on the 6th April at the Godfrey St Oval Thomson. Last years Grand finalists Thomson are always tricky to play on their home turf but the Reserves, Seniors and Netballers will travel and have a real crack at the Thomson Tigers.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to the Winchelsea Bowls Club – what a finish to their season -

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Parents/guardians are required to remain with their child / children during the session and Auskick is a great way for family sporting involvement to take place.

Winchelsea Auskick will again be run on a Thursday .Ages 5 – 12, girls and boys are welcome to learn and improve general motor skills in a family sporting environment. Friends, brothers and sisters take that home and practice what they are learning as fun and games!

Winchelsea Auskick already has more registered for 2024 than last year with more enquiries coming, which is great in our rapidly growing community. Ideally taking the sessions would be shared around by interested parents with a basic knowledge of AFL skills, but also a great way for those parents who aren't aware of some of the basic skills to jump on the Auskick website and have a look at the fun activities available in the Auskick programme. Sharing taking the lead at Auskick training also lessens the pressure to commit every week if held up at work, or unwell.

Winchelsea Auskick would like to thank Mark Sosthiem and the other parents who did such a great job last season. Mark has moved from Winchelsea and will be unable to take part this year.

Colleen Trehwella 0421 210 401 is happy to take care of registrations etc.

Winchelsea Auskick is affiliated with the Winchelsea Football & Netball Club Inc.



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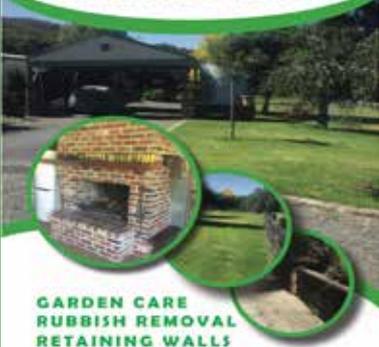
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