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"Freshly Shewn" by Bella Leak , the 1st place winner



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# Prizes awarded in Junior Photography Competition

Growing Winchelsea would like to thank those who attended the opening reception of the Photography competition on Friday the 18th of November. A special thank you to Cr Adrian Schonfelder for officially opening the exhibition and awarding our Junior Photographers.

Bella Leak was the 1st place winner with her image "Freshly Shawn". Bella's image was captured in black and white and featured sheep from a local farm.

Being set in black and white gave Bella's image an olden day feel, created depth and contrast.

Sola Lillie Leitmanis came 2nd with her photo "Wild Lillies". A very beautiful image that captured the peaceful feel of Winchelsea, featuring wild lillies.

Ailani Noguiera came 3rd with her Image "Branching out". Taken along the iconic Barwon River, this images in undoubtedly Winchelsea.

The Growing Winchelsea Photography Competition showcases 151 images that have been captured with our

township. We've had a mix of both professional and amateur photographers enter, we've even had photographers travel from Colac and Ballarat because they wanted to enter our competition.

The most surprising thing about our photography competition, is that some of the most incredible images were taken using a smart phone.

The exhibition is open until Sunday the 27th of November and we encourage everyone to come along to show your support for what we are hoping will be an on going event.





# Surf Coast Shire Council elects new Mayor

Surf Coast Shire Council has elected Cr Liz Pattison as Mayor.

Cr Pattison is excited to take on the role for the one-year term, and will be supported by Deputy Mayor Cr Mike Bodsworth.

“I look forward to representing the community,” Mayor Pattison said after being elected at a Council meeting on Tuesday 15 November. “I enjoy working with and hearing from the community, and I want to empower our community to do more in the fiscally-restrained environment we’re currently in.”

The election of Mayor Pattison marks the midway point of delivering on the Council Plan.

“It’s an important time. I’m excited to keep gaining momentum on the Surf Coast Aquatic and Health Centre

campaign, as we seek the final \$4.5 million in funding needed to make the vision a reality,” she said.

“Achieving the best result for the Karaaf Wetlands, navigating the next steps of the Distinctive Areas and Landscapes Program, learning and growing as part of our Reconciliation commitment, and acting on the Climate Emergency to conserve our local environment stand out as other important goals and projects.

“Thinking about the community’s immediate needs, responding to the recent wet weather impacts to help keep people safe is front-of-mind.”

Outgoing Mayor Cr Libby Stapleton reflected on her two years in the role.

“It has been such a privilege to represent this Council and community. I am grateful for the support from my fellow councillors,



Council officers, and the broader community,” she said.

“As a team, we’ve achieved important outcomes for the shire - from environmental leadership and taking steps on our Reconciliation journey, to advocacy efforts and progressing opportunities for affordable accommodation across the shire.

“I look forward to supporting our next Mayor and Deputy, as they continue to fulfill our vision to leave the Surf Coast better than we found it.”

## Draft Graffiti Policy

**Council has drafted a new policy about managing the graffiti within the Surf Coast. We would like feedback from the community about the principles and the process.**

This policy provides a guide and commitment to minimise the negative impacts of illegal graffiti.

You can review the Draft Graffiti Policy at [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/About-us/Your-Say/Graffiti](https://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/About-us/Your-Say/Graffiti).

To report graffiti on Council property, call **5261 0600** or visit [surfcoast.vic.gov.au/request](https://surfcoast.vic.gov.au/request).

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# Guides raise money for Winchelsea Wildlife Shelter

The local Girl Guides handed over a cheque for \$400 to assist Barb and Bec with their work caring for sick & injured wildlife.

The money was raised from screening the film 'The Wizard of Oz' and they would like to thank all who helped make this venture a success from patrons,

leaders, parents, the Globe Theatre hall committee, the Movie Club and our local branch of the Bendigo Bank.

The Shelter rehabilitates orphaned, injured and displaced native wildlife found in the Surfcoast, Colac Otway and Geelong Regions.

Winchelsea Wildlife Shelter phone 0439 566 129

**Below:**

Back row - L-R Eadie Canavan, Heidi Wilson, Isla McKenzie, Grace Grabham, Bec Price, Barb Reyland, Emily LaPorte (Leader) Chloe Arney

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# Open gardens!

How would you like to have hundreds of people traipsing through your place?

On 13th November five local garden owners opened their places to whoever wanted to come, for the joy of it. They know their places are gorgeous and were open and happy to share that joy. They were also delighted to be open for a good cause: Hesse Rural Health will now have about half of the money they need to purchase the van they have their eye on.

What is it about gardens that brings such delight?

I guess, the abundance of carefully chosen, sometimes unexpected colours, shapes and designs that invite us into the complexities of nature, the challenges that have been overcome to achieve the result, and the ongoing development and promise (gardeners know that their work is never finished!) intrigue and satisfy us. The greenness so restful to the eye, the light and shade to stimulate and cool us, all add to the experience.

I was amazed not long ago to discover that a lot of research has gone into discovering what being in gardens, and nature generally, does for us. It lowers our stress level, blood pressure and heart rate, reduces anxiety and even strengthens our immune system. It is restorative in that it increases our hopefulness and general well-being. It is so physically and mentally helpful to us, that increasingly garden spaces are being introduced to hospitals, not just because they are decorative, but because they are intrinsically healing.

No wonder the first story about humans in the Bible has them in a garden! God saw the world that he had made and found it not just good, but very good.

Those humans are there to enjoy it, but also to work in it, to take responsibility for it, to guard and care for it. These are the God-given tasks of all human beings, making each of us both significant and glorious.

It is interesting that everywhere, and in all cultures, we take responsibility for the web of life in the world that surrounds us.

This is a universally persistent feature of human experience.

We enjoy the world that God enjoys. We recognise our unique responsibility to wisely care for and manage it. In this we are different from all other creatures.

This is being like God, made in his image, though we are constantly frustrated by our failure to do so. When that great responsibility is betrayed, we see it as a crime. We need this fabulous, wondrous world, this abundance, this glory, and the challenge of managing it in difficult times too.

The Open Gardens of Winchelsea generously gave us a taste of that wonder and work. Thank you!

**Rev Lynne Clarke, Acting Minister at St Thomas' Anglican Church, Winchelsea.**





# The gardens were beautiful

On Sunday 13th November, they came with sunhats and gum boots, prepared for all weather conditions to view the Open Gardens of Winchelsea.

But it was the sun that came out as the five gardens all opened their gates to almost one thousand people. The overwhelming feedback from the day was the beauty each garden had to offer, and how different each garden was. Most of these properties you would drive past without a second glance, but once you went down their driveways you entered another world of colour, tranquillity and beauty. Each garden has its own character and triggered something different in their observers.

Five gardens opened their gates, giving you a glimpse into these beautiful worlds. Murdeduke is a pearl of Winchelsea, full of historic charm with its formal garden, lush trees, circular carriage way and beautiful vibrant plants complimenting the numerous sculptures, with a two-storey bluestone homestead as an exquisite backdrop. Narwee is a country garden full of colour and buzzing with life. Combining the perfect balance of edibles and drought tolerant plants, the garden includes an orchard, vegetable garden, roses, iris, salvias, and teucrium, giving you vibrancy from every angle.

Chittering has a tranquillity to it that relaxes you instantly. The trees and cottage garden have slowly grown into a layered escape of serenity. The garden is full of roses, featuring dry climate mediterranean plants, succulents, shrubs, a wisteria clad pergola and vegetable garden surrounding the home. The energy of Coombe Cottage is both new and old. From the moment you step through the gates you see a native garden with an 1860 bluestone cottage, but the journey continues as you turn a corner into a modern wide expanse of lush green grass leading down to a billabong, and garden sculptures that both surprise and delight. Calluna has a private park feel to it, with sprawling lawns, rose arbour, native plants, deciduous trees, shrubs, a productive vegetable garden and orchard with the borrowed vista of the

Winchelsea golf course. All providing a peaceful atmosphere and a haven for those lucky enough to experience it.

The day was an overwhelming success raising over \$25,000 for Hesse Rural Health, toward a new Coaster Bus. The Hesse 19 Seater Toyota Coaster, after 25 years of loyal service and many a fantastic trip for our Social Support and Residential Aged Care clients, was recently retired. Hesse held the Open Garden event to help fundraise for a new bus that will seat at least 20 people and have disability access. Hesse has many and varied social groups that rely on this bus for transport on a daily basis. For some of our clients this bus is a lifeline for a social outing and enables them access to much needed support.

Hesse Rural Health would like to thank first and foremost, the garden owners Lachie & Phoebe Wilson, Lyn & Lou Davies, Pete & Libby Russell, John & Sue Hutton and Jenny Bowker. Thanks is also expressed to all of Hesse's wonderful event sponsors and volunteers who all donated their time and supported this fundraising event, which was really a lovely day for the whole community.

Hesse would like to acknowledge the following people for their assistance in making the Open Gardens of Winchelsea possible: Pat Crosbie, Lesley Christie, Judy & Bruce Wilson, Hesse Hospital Auxiliary,

Lions Club of Winchelsea, Winchelsea Tavern, Colac Hire, Winchelsea CFA, Community Bank of Winchelsea, RAK Davis & Sons, Maguire Butcher Shop, Emeraude Hair Studio, Terry White Chemist Winchelsea, All about Mowers and IGA Winchelsea. As well as the many volunteers: Jocelyn Dodds, Lorraine Stubbs, Lisa Johns, Jen Hill, Fiona Vizard, Kim Allen, Kate Allen, Jo Eckhardt, Christine Smith, Brooke Stein, Kim Johnson, Lucile Peran, Sue Berg, Sarah & Carlo Susic, Paul & Chase Brock, Pam Hastings, Luanne Thornton, Rob Crosbie, Paul Christie, Naida Hutton, Maxxy Campbell, Rob Knuckey, Amanda Patridge, Kylie Parish, Liz Hicks, Sue Ryan, Lucy McEachern, Ian Whiting, Michelle Stocks, Clare Winter- Irving, Carissa Brock and Jess Culhane.

Congratulations is offered to the following Raffle prize winners:

- \$150 RAK Davis & Sons: Fiona
- \$150 Emeraude Hair Studio Pack: Sarah Crozier
- Air Compressor from All About Mowers: Kate Allen
- \$50 Maguire Butcher Shop: Julie K
- Case Pondalowie Shiraz: Ally Mawson
- Case Dinny Goonan Chardonnay: Lucile
- Hamper 1: Kerry
- Hamper 2: Scott Mawson



Hospital Auxiliary Members Cake Stall Judy McCaskill, Pam Kelly and Carol Allardyce

# Winch House

## Manager's Report by Wendy Greaves, Manager



The year started off very slowly with lockdowns still happening and activities and operations all pretty much at a standstill with the exception of our Occasional Care Service which operated throughout the whole covid period.

At the start of 2022 we had hoped to be able to come back to some normality but due to another big covid wave over the summer holidays this was not the case. As the year progressed thankfully things have got a lot better and all groups and activities have now returned to some normality.

Many people have been slow to return but gradually this is changing. It has been difficult over the winter months with everyone being encouraged to stay home with any sign of colds, coughs and flu like symptoms. This makes it difficult to get commitment from participants for term events as they want the option of deciding on the day if they can come or not.

Behind the scenes all our staff, committee and volunteers have continued to work exceptionally hard to keep everything happening and I would like to thank everyone for their commitment and energy even during the very difficult times.

At the start of 2022 we welcomed Jill Evans – our new Community Developer Worker who has taken on the role of bringing life to the Shire Hall. We have had many different events, activities and sessions to date with lots more exciting things to come during the next 2 years. You can read more about this space in Jill's report.

### AUSPICE GROUPS

As at 30th June, 2022 Winchelsea Community House has five auspice groups being:

Winchelsea Men's Shed/Community Garden

Wensleydale Rural Community Group

Winchelsea Youth Leisure Drop-In (WYLD)

Winchelsea Wildlife Shelter

Wurdale & Surrounds Recovery Network

Each of the groups have provided a report which is will be published in coming weeks.

### GROUPS OF THE HOUSE

**Craft Group** - The Craft Ladies were delighted to return to their regular Wednesday catch up in 2022 after 2 very disruptive years. During the year they farewelled Annette Taylor who moved away from Winchelsea to the other side of Geelong. Many projects have been completed this year that have been in the making for many years. It's always good to finish something. The group members have made beanies and blankets for premature babies at Barwon Health and also knitted jumpers for Geelong Mum's. A very productive year indeed!

**Crochet Group** – The Saturday afternoon Crochet group has, over the last few months grown to be up to 10 participants getting together every other fortnight. They share skills, hints and tips with each other, as well as teaching newcomers how to Crochet. They are a fun group who are enjoying their time together, except on Grand Final day! On their next get together (this coming Saturday), 2 of the participants are doing a workshop in Tunisian Crochet, which looks like a mix of Knitting and Crochet, it is in fact a very old form of Crochet probably arising from the Northern nations of Africa. If you are interested in joining the group meet at 1.00PM to around 4.30PM fortnightly on Saturday afternoons. Please call the Community House to find out when next we meet.

**Toy Library**- Our Toy Library continues to operate on a needs basis during normal operating hours. The library has many beautiful toys available to borrow – 2 toys for 2 weeks for \$2. Membership is open to anyone – parents, guardians,

carers and grandparents and there is no membership fee to join.

There are all types of educational and fun toys in our collection for babies up to school age so come and check it out.

### SERVICES

The usual office services are still available here for your convenience – photocopying, printing and scanning to email. If you are in need of a particular form or help with more complex tasks like applying for passports, birth certificates, working with children checks etc we encourage you to make a booking so we can allocate a time to help you. There is again this year a new round of the Power Saving Bonus where all households can claim back \$250. We are happy to assist you with this and you can phone us for a booking.

### VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are a key part of our community organisation and are very welcomed. We have a variety of volunteer roles at Winch House including Toy Library, Occasional Care, Front Desk Reception or being a member of our Committee of Management. We thank our current volunteers for all their hard work during the year.

### OTHER

Our biggest challenges as we move forward are increasing participation in all activities both in the Winch House and Shire Hall spaces and also to increase our revenue streams. You will notice that we have made a loss for the 2021/2022 financial year (which is what we had budgeted for) due to increased costs and lower levels of participation due primarily to covid.

Our funding sources do not go very far at all and a large chunk is taken up in wages which doesn't leave much for anything else.

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# Winchelsea Youth Leisure Drop-in (WYLD) auspice report

by Monique Jacques, coordinator

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Our funding from Department of Fairness, Families and Housing (DFFH) only goes up by a CPI factor each year but does not contribute to the increased wage levels that were set under our Enterprise Agreement 2016. We have had discussions about this with Neighbourhood Houses Victoria – our peak body and they are fully aware of this but like everything trying to get additional increases in funding is very difficult.

In a year that was again very demanding I would like to thank all the staff, volunteers and Committee of Management for all their hard work and more than anything the support that everyone has continued to give each other on all levels. It is a real team here and great to know that everyone cares.

Another year passes and it was another year where isolation and illness pushed the pause button for the group.

WYLD faced the struggles that everyone faced, the planning, rescheduling and the hard cancelling. WYLD has had a break for most of the year. This was due to illness, isolation, and limited mentor volunteer leaders.

So, WYLD has plans to return soon and plans for a full return in 2023. We would also like to recruit more mentor volunteers to support the group.

Our young people in the Winchelsea community need this group to be active and consistent, and we are eager to get back to some group catch-ups, outings and activities soon.

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**BUSINESS VICTORIA**

# Poor behaviour blemishes commencement of early voting

In the first 3 days of early voting in the State election, more than 400,00 Victorians have cast their vote in person, and another half a million postal votes have been mailed to voters.

Electoral Commissioner, Warwick Gately, says that he has been impressed with the number of people getting out early to organise their vote, and that figures were considerably higher than for the equivalent period in 2018.

'We responded to voter feedback for an increased number of early voting centres and increased hours of operation for this election. While expecting higher numbers of early voters, this has surpassed our expectations,' Mr Gately said.

Mr Gately went on to say that while he was pleased with the early turnout, he was extremely disappointed by instances of poor behaviour by some party workers and campaign volunteers at a handful of early voting centres.

'Party and other campaign workers play an important role at elections and have the right to represent the interests of their party or candidate,' Mr Gately said.

'Where I draw the line is when voters, election staff, other volunteers and nearby traders feel unsafe or intimidated when trying to vote, work or play their role in the election. Our people have been trained to ask for collaboration and a harmonious environment. If their requests for cooperation are not met and the safety of others is at risk, I will seek police intervention, restrict volunteer numbers or take other measures open to me.'

'Our primary role is the conduct of a fair and impartial election, not arbitrating altercations. Our people are well-intentioned citizens. It is already very challenging to recruit and train enough election staff, and a common theme in feedback from staff in 2018 was that they would think twice about working at this election given the behaviour issues they had to deal with. I would like all election participants to be patient, respectful and courteous to each other.'

Mr Gately said that the Victorian Electoral Commission has also issued 'cease and desist' notices to a small number of independent candidates and political parties this week on a variety of matters. These notices are formal requests to rectify matters that appear to breach electoral laws.

'We provide extremely comprehensive resources for both parties and candidates that clearly lay out all aspects of electoral compliance. We brief every registered political party more than once, and independent candidates similarly attend an information session ahead of the opening of nominations. Where rules have not been followed we have pursued a constructive compliance approach. We provide advice and request compliance first, and then increase the level of enforcement if breaches of the Electoral Act continue to be ignored.'

Early voting will operate until 8 pm this evening, from 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday and include a night with extended hours next week. Election day is Saturday 26 November and voting will be open from 8 am to 6 pm. For early voting centre locations, or more information on the State election, please visit [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au) or call 131 832.

## Are you ready to have your say in Victoria's State election?

Victorians will head to the polls for the second time this year to elect the 60th Victorian Parliament on Saturday 26 November.

Today, the Hon. Linda Dessau AC, Governor of Victoria, issued the writs for the Victorian State election, ending the 59th Parliament and formally triggering the election process.

The writs will be returned by the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC)

– the independent and impartial umpire responsible for delivering the State election – after all results are declared, with the names of successful candidates published.

The number of people on the electoral roll has increased by about 235,500 people since the last State election in 2018, so nearly 4.4 million Victorians will be casting their vote on or before election day.

'Every vote matters,' said Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately 'Voters should be aware of the voting options available and make a plan if they are unable to vote on Saturday 26 November.'

'An increased number of early voting centres will be open from Monday 14 to 6 pm on Friday 25 November all around Victoria, and at a number of interstate locations,' Mr Gately said. 'You can also apply for a postal vote if you can't make it to a voting centre or you would just prefer to vote by post.'

Telephone-assisted voting will also be available to voters who are blind, have low vision or those who have a physical disability and require assistance to vote from 14 November through to 6 pm on election day.

Voters in areas impacted by floods occurring on or after Thursday 13 October and unable to access a voting centre from Saturday 19 November to 6 pm on Saturday 26 November will also be able to both register and vote using telephone assisted voting.

Voters are also reminded that there is no cut-off age for voting in Victoria. 'Voting is a privilege that all eligible Victorians have, but also a responsibility,' Mr Gately said. 'If you're on the roll, you're expected to vote.'

Victorians have 7 days from today to enrol or update their details, which they can do on the VEC website at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au). The rolls will officially close at 8 pm on Tuesday 8 November.

# Hamilton Highway closure update

The Hamilton Highway remains closed between Inverleigh-Winchelsea Road, Inverleigh and Merrawarp Road, Fyansford as the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) conduct rail repairs following a train derailment on Monday.

Motorists are asked to allow up to 20 minutes extra for the 50km detour using Merrawarp Road, Barrabool Road, Devon Road, the Princes Highway and Inverleigh-Winchelsea Road.

There is currently limited access along the Hamilton Highway for emergency services, buses and local traffic with no alternative access.

The Hamilton Highway is expected to re-open when works are completed mid-this week, weather-permitting.

We encourage motorists to check the VicTraffic website for road closure before commencing their journey, as several nearby roads are impacted by flooding.

The Department of Transport and ARTC thank motorists for their patience as crews work around the clock to reconnect the east-west rail freight corridor.

Real-time traffic conditions are available at [traffic.vicroads.vic.gov.au](http://traffic.vicroads.vic.gov.au) or via the VicTraffic mobile app. The latest public transport information and network status is available at [ptv.vic.gov.au](http://ptv.vic.gov.au) or in the PTV mobile app.

# What's on in Winch

## Singing

Come and join voices with others on Wednesday 23rd November at 5.00pm in the Shire Hall. Gold coin donation is all that's required

## BOOK SALE AND OPEN DAY

Winchelsea Historical Society will be holding a BOOK SALE and OPEN DAY on Saturday November 26, 9am - 3pm.

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

In conjunction with the book sale the History Centre will be open for visitors to have a look at what the Historical Society has available. Historical Society members will be available to answer questions. All welcome.

## Diamond dot last time this year

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# Winchelsea Bowls Club

By Kitty 'n Jack

We have only been able to enjoy some good playing conditions on a few occasions to date this Pennant season, but are certainly looking forward to some improvement in the near future.

## Pennant Results

Tuesday November 8th Winchelsea Midweek Division 1 def Simpson at home, winning all rinks. 80 shots to 44 shots.

Tuesday November 8th Winchelsea Midweek Division 3 def Derrinallum at home, winning 2 rinks. 77 shots to 63.

Saturday November 12th Winchelsea Division 1 def Simpson away, winning 3 rinks. 109 shots to 76 shots.

Saturday November 12th Winchelsea Division 3 def Simpson at home, winning 3 rinks. 109 shots to 74 shots.

Saturday November 12th Winchelsea Division 4 BYE

Tuesday November 15th Winchelsea Midweek Division 1 def Camperdown Golf away, winning all rinks. 77 shots to 55.

Tuesday November 15th Winchelsea Midweek Division 3 were def by Cobden away, winning 1 rink. 53 shots to 93.

There will be no Saturday Pennant on the 19th and no Midweek Pennant on the 22nd. This is due to the week long Victorian Open competition.

## Around the Green

On what is called Super Sunday the 27th of November Annie Walker & David Littler plus Erin Baulch & Jason Armstrong will play in the semi finals and then if successful the final of the CBD Mixed State Pairs commencing at 9.30 a.m. Julie Johnson will play Vicki Brebner in the final of the CBD Over 60's Singles commencing at 1.00 p.m. All these games will be played at Colac Lake Bowling Club. There are also some 4's to be played in the afternoon and Erin Baulch & Pauline Price will play Kathy Leslie & Sue Kerr in the final of the CBD Ladies State Pairs at a date to be notified.

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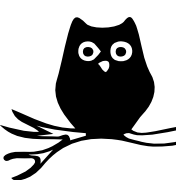
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Following a further 45 millimetres of rain in the region within twelve hours more torrential rain across Victoria, the swollen Moorabool River broke its banks on Monday, inundating thoroughfares and roadways with floodwater from the early afternoon.

The VICSES South Barwon Unit received a Priority One alert at 3.05pm, for floodwater rescue, with a crew of volunteers promptly dispatched to the scene.

Once Victoria Police (VP) activated a multi-agency radio channel, the volunteers could work seamlessly with VP Search and Rescue, as well as VP Air Wing which was dispatched from Essendon.

VICSES volunteers, arriving shortly before the Air Wing, made contact with the distressed driver, who explained to

the team that he had had driven into the floodwater, and his vehicle had been subsumed by a fast-flowing, rapidly rising current.

By the time the crew arrived, the driver had sought refuge on the roof.

The VICSES team were able to get close enough to advise the visibly distressed driver that help - by air - was on the way, and a rope rescue couldn't be undertaken owing to the distance between the volunteers and the submerged vehicle.

With time of the essence, the VICSES South Barwon Unit Controller, Lisa Keys, and VICSES South Brown volunteer Josh Hutton took their places downstream, in case the distressed driver entered the water.

The Air Wing however arrived promptly, with the man winched from the sinking vehicle to the safety of the helicopter.

Flood water rescue is complex and



dangerous and requires crews with specific skills to identify the risks and perform safe rescues. VICSES volunteers accredited in swift water rescue, undertake rigorous training and maintenance to ensure they meet the national standards of accreditation.

This is a timely reminder to never drive through flood water. Before you travel, check if flooding is likely, plan ahead and make alternative arrangements so you are not driving on flooded roads.

If you require VICSES emergency assistance, ring 132 500 or Triple-zero (000) in a life-threatening emergency.

Above: Victoria Air Wing over flooded road adjacent to Moorabool River, November 2022

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**A-Grade** Winchelsea VS Drysdale 9/238  
Match Drawn due to rain

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# 2022 VFF election nominees announced

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) has today announced the nominees for positions to be contested in the upcoming 2022 VFF elections.

VFF Interim CEO and Acting Returning Officer Robert Taylor said elections would be held for a number of positions.

“The VFF is pleased with the level of interest among our membership to take on these important roles to be the voices of the Victorian farming community.”

The elected positions that will be contested and the nominees who will

contest them, are as follows:

**VFF President**

- Emma Germano
- Paul Mumford
- Meg Parkinson

**VFF Vice-President**

- Danyel Cucinotta
- Bernie Free

**VFF/UDV President**

- Mark Billing
- Ian Morris

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- Tom Gooden
- Bradley Venning

Mr Taylor stated that where other elected positions were uncontested, or ineligible nominations were received, those nominees would be contacted.

Election results will be formally announced in December 2022.

Voting in the VFF elections will open for all eligible VFF members on Monday 14 November 2022 and close at COB Tuesday 13 December 2022.



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# Disco Bingo comes to Winchelsea Primary School!

On Friday 4th November, our school hosted a fundraising and parent/carer social event called Disco Bingo.

The event was a huge success with many parents and community members coming along to support our wonderful school and to generate some much needed fundraising dollars.

A total profit of over \$6000.00 was raised by the community. This money is going towards purchasing Lego kits for the school's STEM curriculum.

This would not have been possible without the support from the parents/carers and the local community who donated many items for raffles, silent auctions and on the spot prizes.

We would like to thank Dennis Waterfall for his ongoing support of the event and for the assistance provided to our parents in setting up and managing the refreshments on the night. These nights are not possible with the help from people like Dennis.

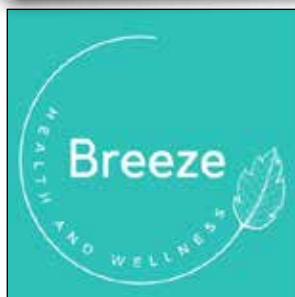
We would like to also acknowledge the sponsors, many of which are from the local community. We are so pleased that local businesses and organisations care so much about our young people. Your

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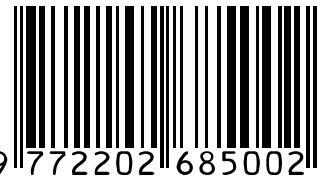
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