

# The Yea Chronicle

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Ladies from the Yea CWA at their craft afternoon on July 19 - back row Kaye Baynes, Margaret Kilmartin and Kerry Letson-Gaff and front row Pat Wilks, Liz Cuckson and Shirley Burch. More on page 7. -RS

## Introducing the community bank's new manager Rebecca Taylor



New manager at Yea community bank, Rebecca Taylor. -S

REBECCA Taylor has begun her tenure as the manager of the new community bank of Yea.

Ms Taylor, who prefers to be known as Bec, started on Monday, July 17 and has hit the ground running, working across the two sites in Yea and Alexandra.

Bec has more than a decade's experience in banking and finance, having previously worked at another Bendigo Bank branch, the National Australia Bank and for a mortgage broking firm.

She left her previous role at Bendigo Bank in February to spend some time with her young son and to help her husband set up his electrical contracting business.

Bec was attracted back to work partly because this new role is close to her husband's family in Eildon, so she already spends a lot of time in the area. Bec and her family plan on moving into the neighbourhood soon, from where they now live in the outer eastern suburbs.

Banking services are available in Alexandra by appointment. Call the Yea branch on 5797 2188. Cash deposits and withdrawals are still available at the Alexandra Newsagency. In Yea, the bank is open on Monday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 3.30pm.

## The Yea Historical Society needs help

by Yea and District Historical Society

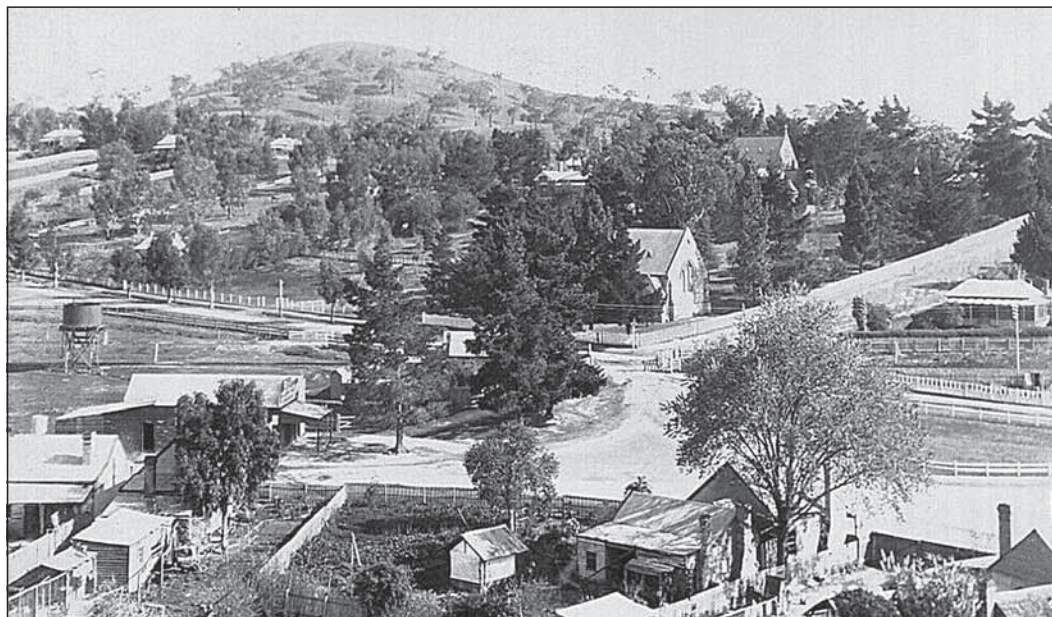
THE Yea and District Historical Society has been operating for over 20 years and has amassed a fascinating and very precious collection of Yea and District history.

Their dream is to open a museum in Yea and they are continually exploring options to achieve this.

The club would dearly love to have their collection on permanent display for the whole community to enjoy and have tried many options over the years but each time have been thwarted. They are currently pursuing avenues to build. With skyrocketing real estate prices, the dream of purchasing an historic site in town is now beyond their reach.

The club continually receives amazing and treasured items to add to their collection. Thanks to the assistance of the Murrindindi Shire Council, the club is able to store these in rooms at the Yea Shire Hall which are recognised as a 'Place of Deposit' by the Public Records Office of Victoria.

The biggest task is cataloguing these items, a never-ending job as items come in as fast as they are working. Not only is it important to catalogue the collection for general information on who donated, what the item is related to in our history, and naming people for posterity, but it is also vital in finding and accessing these items



This photograph, taken around 1896, was from the top of the Yea Shire Hall looking towards The Parade. -S

quickly and efficiently from the many filing cabinets and storage boxes, etc.

The historical society is desperately in need of someone to assist with cataloguing. They are hoping there may be a retired person in the district with good computer skills and the time and inclination to spend a couple of hours a week cataloguing in the rooms. The club uses the 'In Magic DB/Textworks'

cataloguing program recommended by the Royal Historical Society of Victoria, have Windows 10 on their computer and a printer and photocopier to assist with cataloguing. If you are a person interested in history, you will find the work fascinating.

Please contact president Nola Yorston, secretary Elaine White on 0431 752 367 or cataloguer Joan Canning for more details.



# COMMUNITY DIARY

## Local Radio Frequency



UGFM	88.9	Yea / Highlands
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UGFM	94.5	Kinglake Ranges

## WEEKLY

Thu	Town Club, RSL Hall, 6-8pm. Ph 5797 2179
Sun	AA Anglican Church, Alexandra 7pm PH 1300 222 222
Sun	Alanon Recovery Anglican Church, Alexandra 5.30pm.

## MONTHLY

1 <sup>st</sup> Mon	St Lukes Seniors St Lukes Church Ph 0407 972 099
1 <sup>st</sup> Thu	Yea Hospital/Rosebank Aux 2pm. Ph 5797 3057
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	Alex Repair Café 1-3pm @ Embassy of Ideas 0422 225 801
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	Molesworth Crafty Critters, Molesworth Hall 10am-4pm.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thu	Yea Garden Club Yea RSL Hall 1.30pm Ph 0439 870 315
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4 <sup>th</sup> Thu	Yea CWA Yea RSL Hall, 1.30pm Ph 0458 808 603
Last Fri	Yea-Kinglake RSL, 11.30am RSL Hall, Ph 5796 9353



For a \$5 annual fee for online, your club or organisation's regular meeting dates will be listed each week. Not only is this a reminder to your regular members but also a good source of what groups are available in the community, when they meet and a contact phone number.

Young Carer Bursary will offer 1592 grants nationwide, with each grant providing a young carer with up to \$3768 to assist them with the costs of education in the 2024 academic year. With high inflation on groceries and bills, soaring rents, a housing crisis and low wages growth, funding is vital to help to support these young people to carry out their important carer roles.


Young carers help with many tasks like household chores, paying bills, personal

Carers Australia is the national peak body representing Australia's carers, advocating to influence policies and services at a national level.

Grant applications are now assessed quarterly, except for Quick Response Grants, which are assessed monthly and Special Purpose Grants which are assessed

Mayor John Walsh said, “The new program was designed to be more flexible and responsive to the diverse needs and aspirations of the Murrindindi Shire community. We recognise that our community is full of creative and passionate people who have great ideas and initiatives

that can make a positive difference in our region. The new program offers a range of funding options that cater to different types of applicants, projects and events. I encourage anyone who has an idea or a proposal that aligns with the program's objectives and guidelines to apply for funding. We are looking for projects and events that enhance the quality of life of our residents and visitors and celebrate our unique natural and cultural heritage, that foster social inclusion and diversity and promote innovation and sustainability."

















# Weekly Weather

July 26 - August 1, 2023

Temperatures may be subject to change from date of publication

## Alexandra

## Yea

DAY	LOW	HIGH		DAY	LOW	HIGH	
Wednesday	3	14		Wednesday	3	14	
Thursday	3	14		Thursday	3	14	
Friday	7	13		Friday	7	13	
Saturday	6	14		Saturday	5	14	
Sunday	5	13		Sunday	5	14	
Monday	6	13		Monday	5	14	
Tuesday	3	12		Tuesday	4	12	

THE ALEXANDRA: KILDON, MARYVILLE  
**Standard**

*The Yea Chronicle*

DISTRICT RAINFALL	
Alexandra .....	N/Amm
Buxton .....	12mm
Eildon (AWS) .....	9mm
Flowerdale .....	12mm
Kinglake .....	5mm
Lake Eildon .....	9mm
Jamieson .....	13mm
Taggerty .....	11mm
Yarck .....	3mm
Yea .....	3mm
Above details for 7 days to 9am Monday	
LAKE EILDON	
Height above sea level this week .....	287.99m
Capacity as at 9am Monday .....	96.4
Metres below full supply .....	91cm
Daily inflow .....	4000ML
Release .....	12000ML
Eildon Pondage (may be subject to rapid change) .....	70%

# The Yeal Chronicle

## DEADLINES

Real Estate	Thursday noon
Trades & Services	Thursday noon
Early General News	Thursday 5pm
Classifieds	Monday noon
Editorial	Monday 9am
Sports Editorial	Monday 10am
Letters to the Editor	Monday 9am
Thumbs up/down	Monday 10am

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## Vigil held in Yea

WEDNESDAY, July 19 marked 10 years since offshore processing and detention of asylum seekers and refugees arriving by boat was reinstated by the Rudd Labor government.

The Yea branch of Rural Australians for Refugees held a vigil outside the supermarket on Wednesday to call for it to end.

Rural Australians for Refugees members spoke to locals about their position and invited people to contact federal parliamentarians if they shared RAR's concerns.



*The Regional Australian for Refugees table outside Yea FoodWorks. -S*

## Could you win with your fist entry at the Yea Show?

MARLENE had never attended an agricultural show or entered any cooking competitions until attending and entering at the Yea Show in 2019. She was ecstatic at receiving a first prize for her 'Jar of Pickled Vegetables', which in 2019 was a cucumber relish.

After a bumper crop of beetroot in 2022, she decided to try making beetroot pickles, and this won the 'Jar of Pickled Vegetables' at the 2022 Yea Show. Marlene loved the whole concept of her first agricultural show and winning a prize at her first attempt was the culmination of a great day.

Marlene Mason moved to Yea with her husband Greg in 2018. Their first priority, after building the house, was to establish their vegetable garden. "I can't live without a vegetable garden," Marlene said. "I have always been interested ever since I was a little girl helping my parents grow varied and interesting vegetables."

Marlene has a large and thriving vegetable garden and loves collecting seeds and growing a large variety of in-season vegetables and experimenting with new varieties. Marlene is trying gherkins and cornichons this season. Not only does Marlene love growing but also cooking and enjoys trying unusual or rare recipes. She has always enjoyed the bottling and

preserving side of vegetable gardening, and now with the children no longer living at home, she is always looking for new ways to preserve excess crops.

There is no show without the participation of the local community. The entries are what makes the show. Those who enter, no matter what age or gender, have the added excitement of anticipation of a win and those who do, love to show off their prize cards. Show schedules will be out in early October. Pick one up and see what you could enter.

The cookery and preserves section of the show has a new home and will now be located at the Yea Tennis Clubhouse. With head steward Jan O'Neil taking over last year, many new attractions were added to the cookery section including a speaker giving hints on successful jam making, a pastry cooking demonstration and a special hands-on cooking activity for children.

For the 2023 Yea Show, Jan and her team have many exciting new attractions including a dietician speaking on gut-health and healthy Mediterranean cooking demonstrations and another children's hands-on activity. With more space and a shaded outdoor area, it is planned to have afternoons teas on sale there as well as a table of pre-loved cookery books. Make

sure you visit the cookery section at the Yea Tennis Club pavilion to see the beautiful range of home-made cakes, preserves and many other exciting new activities.



*Marlene's show win. -S*

## Regional tourism package announced

PREMIER Daniel Andrews has announced a \$170 million regional tourism package that will build on the tourism sector.

With visitor expenditure in Victoria at a record \$35 billion annually, this new package will help build tourism infrastructure projects that improve visitor experience and increase visitor spending across the state, creating new jobs, benefiting tourism operators and regional communities.

The \$150 million Regional Tourism and Events Fund will ensure that the regional tourism offering continues to be the very best by supporting

new events, new attractions and more accommodation for visitors.

The fund includes \$70 million for regional events that will help Visit Victoria bring the biggest and best events to our regions, bringing visitors and dollars to communities right across the state.

Attracting visitors to key destinations and supporting tourism businesses like wineries, breweries and distilleries to add much needed accommodation to their offering is so important, so the government will invest \$60

million for Regional Tourism Infrastructure.

To assist Victorian primary producers, they will also invest \$10 million to grow food and fibre exports and encourage more Australians to buy Victorian.

They will also invest \$5 million for regional multi-cultural festivals to support towns across regional Victoria to hold multi-cultural festivals such as Tet, Chinese New Year and Nyepi.

In addition, the government is also investing \$20 million for regional tourism marketing, to

ensure our outstanding regional offering is marketed across the state, the country and the world.

The final design and make up of the package will be subject to consultation and engagement with industry.

In addition to the tourism package, the \$150 million Regional Worker Accommodation Fund will provide grants for projects that will increase the supply of workers' accommodation in regional Victoria, to reduce pressure on the rental market and helping businesses to attract the workers they need.

## Services Australia bus rolls in

DO you need help with Centrelink claims, Medicare registrations or assistance in accessing online services?

Services Australia's Mobile Service Centre Blue Gum is travelling through the region in coming weeks, offering locals easy access to Medicare, Centrelink, National Disability Insurance Scheme and Department of Veterans' Affairs services.

Mobile Service Centres are 20 tonne trucks operated by staff from Services Australia, providing regional and rural Australians with friendly face-to-face service and tailored support.

The bus will be at the following locations:

Yea near the Swimming Pool, High Street, Wednesday, July 26 from 9am to 4pm.

Alexandra near the shire hall, Perkins Street, Tuesday, August 1 from 9.30am to 4pm.

Eildon near the shopping complex, Main Street, Wednesday, August 2 from 9am to 4pm.

Marysville near the information centre, Murchison Street, Thursday, August 3 from 9.30am to 4pm.

Kinglake near the Kinglake Hotel, Aitken Crescent, Wednesday, August 9, 9am to 4pm.

For more times and locations visit [servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobile-service-centres](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobile-service-centres)

## Strath Creek community meeting

AN Open Community Meeting will be held in Strath Creek so people can talk directly with Murrindindi Shire councillors about issues or ideas that are important to people and the community.

The event is being held at the Strath Creek Public Hall, 10 Ferguson Street, Strath Creek, on Wednesday, August 30 from 5 to 7pm.

People will each have five minutes allocated to talk directly with Murrindindi Shire councillors about issues or ideas, and people may be speaking in front of members of the public, as well as council officers.

If you, or your community group, would like to speak to council, you are invited to attend the meeting. Prior registration is not required.

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Sunday Service time  
 11am  
 Father Mario Hendricks Ph: 0437 937 433

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 0459 402 547  
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 Alexandra, Sunday 8.45am  
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# Out & About

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### WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

Alexandra District Health invites you to join them for their 2023 Open Board meeting. To be held at 4pm at the Alexandra RSL. Tea and coffee provided. RSVP to *Jennifer.creed@adh.org.au* by close of business on Friday, July 21.

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### SATURDAY, JULY 29

A farewell party is being held at Christ Church Marysville for Val Cockerell, Heather Mills, Sue Moss and Ada O'Flaherty. You are invited to drop by anytime between 12.30 and 3.30pm. For catering RSVP by July 24, to 0400 838 149 or 0427 633 489.

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### SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

Book now for Sass & Secrets at Yarck Hall. Dinner and show or just enjoy the show. BYO drinks. Online booking at *trybooking.com.au/CISXY*. For full details contact 0467 413 767.

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### MONDAY, AUGUST 7

Yea & District Historical Society Inc AGM will be held at 2pm at Yea Shire Hall supper room. New members welcome.

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### TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

Alexandra Garden Club AGM will be held at 2pm at the Uniting Church Alexandra.

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Friends of the Library Yea will hold their AGM at 2pm at the Yea Council Chambers. All bookshop volunteers are invited to attend and new members are welcome.

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### SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

Eildon Events Inc will hold their AGM

at Morning Mist, Back Eildon Road at 10.30am. For further details contact 0400 715 319.

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### TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

Eildon Action Inc will hold their AGM at Eildon VIC. Everyone is welcome. Nominations can be submitted on the night.

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### MONDAY, AUGUST 21

UGFM will hold their AGM via Zoom at 7.30pm. For a meeting link or to nominate for committee contact *info@ugfm.org* or phone 5772 2722.

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### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Goulburn Fishing Festival 2023. Free event at Eildon. 10am-4pm. Lions Park, Riverside Drive. Live music, market stalls, Snobs Creek Hatchery tours, Vic Fish Kids clinics and more. Fireworks at 7pm. *yfa.vid.gov.au/goulburnfishfest*

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Guy Haston from Merton in the hotseat. -S

## Merton man wins on Millionaire Hotseat

GUY Haston from Merton is \$11,000 richer after winning *Millionaire Hotseat* on Wednesday, July 19.

Guy and his partner live in Merton on a 75 acre farm in a 160 year old cottage with their cats Cabernet and Sauvignon.

As regular viewers would be aware, contestants are asked to tell an amusing tale from their life when they're on the show, and Guy's story was about Sauvignon.

Guy said that one day, Sauvignon decided that his laptop keyboard looked like a comfortable spot to relax and decided to take a nap upon it. Somehow, this caused the deletion of the entire contents of his laptop, which was never able to be retrieved.

It was Guy's first attempt at *Millionaire Hotseat*, and his win came nearly a year and a half from the time he applied to go on the show.

"It was the very first time for me, being about 18 months from when I applied to when I got the phone call," Guy said.

As he applied during the COVID-19 lockdowns, the auditioning process was different to usual.

"Normally you would go in and sit in a group situation, but because it was COVID-19, we did it by Zoom," he said.

It didn't even occur to Guy that he might win. "I wasn't expecting it. I was just going for the experience," Guy said.

Despite lots of time to plan, Guy went in without a strategy. "It's very hard because you don't get a choice for where you're seated, and unfortunately I was seated in the sixth seat. So by the time it all got around to me again the second time, I was the only person left standing," Guy said.

Guy also won fastest finger first, so he already had a thousand dollar cheque in his pocket by the time he got to the hotseat. But he knew he wouldn't be taking home a million.

"By the time I got around me again at the very end, there was only 10,000 left and two questions to go," he said.

Guy will be using his winnings for a very special purpose. His brother has been battling several different cancers over the last couple of years, so Guy is putting the money towards an adventure for the two of them. They're going to Africa.

"We will be heading off to the Serengeti and doing Safari next year," Guy said.



Guy with Eddie Maguire and his winnings, cheques totally \$11,000.



# Fera answers some questions about the proposed wind farm

DISCUSSIONS about the Seymour wind farm have been ramping up, with meetings occurring with farmers who may choose to play host to wind farm turbines across a large area, including Caveat, Dropmore, Terip Terip, Ruffy, Yarck and Highlands. Molesworth and Whanregarwen may also be impacted by the installation of transmission lines.

## Fire risk

Wind turbines are a well-known fire risk. There are estimates that approximately one in 2000 catch fire each year. A large proportion of the proposed wind farm turbines are within bushfire management overlay areas.

Contacted about the issue, a CFA spokesperson advised, “CFA has a role to play in providing advice on any potential infrastructure development or project in relation to potential fire risk impacts. Should this project progress, CFA expects to be engaged to ensure that bushfire risk is considered in regard to the location and design of the proposed project. CFA has standard fire safety measures for proposed wind energy facilities such as fire protections systems, water storage tanks and automatic shut-down capability to ensure ground and air crews can safely respond to incidents in these areas, should they occur. CFA has experience in firefighting in and around wind farms, including the use of aircraft.”

Fera advised that in the case of a fire, “wind turbines are halted, reducing the potential for collisions with helicopters and increasing the access for aerial firefighting. Each wind turbine will be in open space, aerial firefighting will not be restricted by the turbines.”

Following analysis of bushfire response in the area of the Waterloo wind farm, the South Australian Country Fire Service (CFS) found that the access roads acted as fire breaks.

The CFS also commented that with the turbine blades halted, and strong wind conditions, the turbines were easily identified and did not pose a flight risk, adding that guy-wires on met masts should include aerial friendly identification as they were more difficult to identify. Appropriate high visibility orange buoys will be installed on all wind mast towers across the project.

Fera also stated that the improvement of local roads access will increase accessibility for emergency vehicles for fire management and increase evacuation efficiency. Improved telecommunications will further improve the response to bushfires and any emergency within the area.

## Impact on wildlife

Wind farms are known to kill or injure large numbers of birds and bats each year. Fera was asked what plans they have in place to reduce the impact on wildlife.

They responded that they are “working with Biosis Australia, leading experts for ecology and cultural heritage. Biosis have been commissioned to conduct detailed studies into the project’s ecology. Commencing with a desktop flora and fauna assessment (completed) to summarise the key biodiversity values across the site, including ecological vegetation classes (EVCs), threatened ecological communities (TECs), and threatened flora and fauna listed under the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) and Victoria’s Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 (FFG Act). Biodiversity values will be summarised separately for the WEF study area, and transmission easement.

“To ensure that the programs for birds, bats and all key vegetation is assessed on the ground, each of these studies are being run through each of the seasons and the site vegetation will be conducted over the next six months.

“Prior to finalising the studies, we will continue our meetings with the local Landcare and environmental groups to add their input into the studies and ensure that the studies and investigations cover all the area’s sensitive flora and fauna. We are also working with the local land council to ensure the cultural heritage elements across the project area are identified and inform the final design of the project. The information collected will then be used to finalise the final turbine and transmission infrastructure for the project.

“The largest extents of remnant native vegetation within the study area are represented by the Black Range State Forest, Caveat Nature Conservation Reserve, Yarck Nature Conservation Reserve, Molesworth Bushland Reserve and Dropmore G46 Bushland Reserve. Vegetation along waterways including the Goulburn River, Crystal Creek, Johnson Creek, Spring Creek, Hughes Creek, Reedy Creek and Running Creek (public land). Significant tracts of native vegetation do remain on private land within the Strathbogie Ranges in the study area.”

Biosis is starting the survey work to detail the flora and Fauna of the road reserves, farm-based nature corridors and the forest areas. This work will be used as we plan the final locations of the turbines together with the other studies and feedback from landowners.

## Clearance areas around turbines and transmission lines

Fera was asked about the size of the foliage clearance areas around the turbine, and around each of the transmission line types. The plan is now to have multiple substations, each with a 132kV transmission lines to

the grid connection point. It is argued that having multiple transmission lines running in different routes to the grid connection point would cause even more disruption. Fera was asked whether this is accurate, and whether they will be above-ground instead of underground.

Fera advised that, “Nearly all turbines will be built in open farmland. Access to each turbine will require roads and tracks to be upgraded. These will typically be developed with each farm to create roads that have long term value to each landowner... The width of each road is approximately 6m. At each turbine site a laydown area will be created, approximately 50 metres wide by 100 metres long.

“With respect to the transmission lines, the easements vary in width depending on the size of the transmission lines,” they said. They are investigating two options, the connection of the project via a single high voltage 330kv tower connection between a substation and the national transmission line with a second option that groups the turbines in clusters of 15 to 20 turbines and connects them to the national network via 132 single pole HV lines.

Fera said, “The second approach is more complex, but it remains the preferred local solution based on feedback from our discussion with landowners. In terms of width, the single pole approach, we will look to use existing alignments for local transmission along road reserves and on private land. With regard to the single high voltage transmission line the easement would be circa 60 metres wide, largely through private land.”

They added, “The transmission lines will be underground between turbines, so there is no change to this approach. Where possible we will look to design the transmission lines to be underground. The single poles are circa 29 metres high (this is similar to the tree canopy height),

whereas the lattice towers are circa 35-40 metres high (this is five to 10m above the typical tree canopy height).”

## What will happen to the towers once they have become obsolete?

Fera was asked about what will happen to the towers once they become obsolete. Fera responded that, “The turbines will be 100 per cent recycled at the end of life. The key area being developed at present is focussed on the composites and glues used in blade

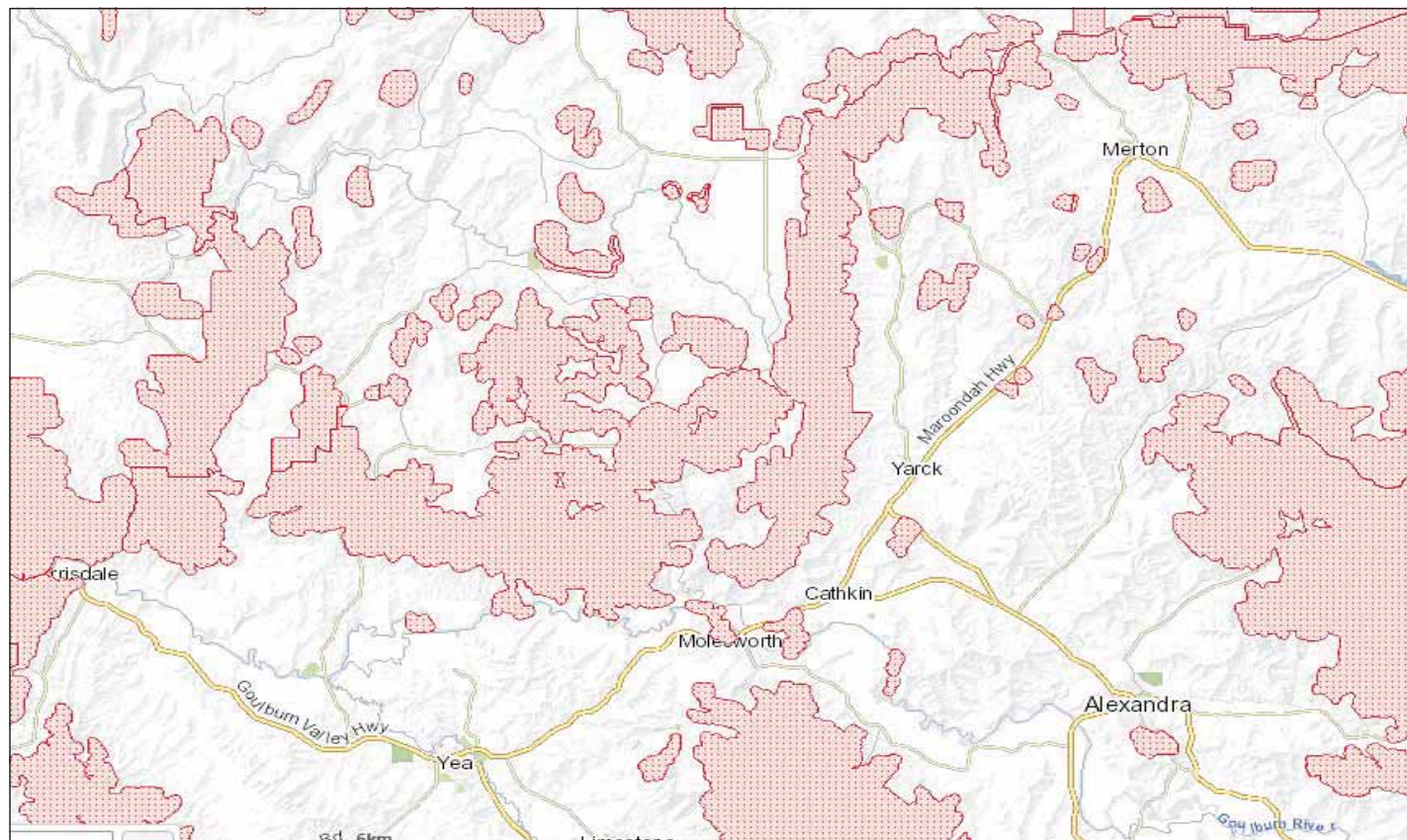
manufacture. These are being investigated to ensure that they can be broken down at their end of life and recycled. The nacelle and masts are all 100 per cent recycled.

“Depending on the company supplying the turbines they will have a manufacturer’s warranty of between 25 and 30 years. Fera expects that they will have a further five to 10 years of life in addition to the warranty period.

“Contracts with all landowners and the planning

proposal for the project ensures that provisions are made for the turbines and associated infrastructure to be removed to a level of 0.5m below ground. Money is placed in a fund to ensure turbine and tower removal, importantly 100 per cent of the turbines and towers will be recycled at the end of their productive life.”

For further information about the project, visit [feraaustralia.com.au/seymour-2/](http://feraaustralia.com.au/seymour-2/)



The red areas are the locations where bushfire management overlays are in place. -VicPlan

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# Murrindindi’s future after native timber harvesting ends

MURRINDINDI Shire Council was asked how the decision to cease native timber harvesting is changing the planning for Murrindindi’s future.

Andrew Paxton, Director Community and Development responded, “The Victorian Government’s decision to accelerate the cessation of native forest timber harvesting will have a significant impact on community, businesses, and the economy across Murrindindi Shire, with the transition now scheduled to be completed by January 1, 2024.

“This decision has accelerated the planned forestry transition by seven years, immediately impacting dozens of local workers in the sector and their families, the flow on effects to the local economy and supply chains, as well as indirect impacts more broadly across the shire. The sudden announcement has come as a shock for our community.

“Council is seeking advice from the Victorian Government as to what additional assistance will be made available to support the much earlier closure of the industry. Council recently facilitated a meeting between impacted logging and haulage contractors and senior government officers, to ensure a shared understanding of the impacts of this decision. Council will continue to advocate for and support short- and medium-term initiatives within Murrindindi Shire.

“Council is also continuing its advocacy for immediate and short-term support for all impacted contractors and employees, while also strongly advocating for a program of support to help our communities and businesses transition. We are very aware of the intergenerational implications to small communities and urgently seek commitments to support this change.

“This decision also makes it even more important that our community gets behind the Shaping Murrindindi’s Future project, to work towards options for future industries and opportunities.

“Council has been advocating for a number of months to Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action for a more sustainable approach to delivering the Local Development Strategy, named Shaping Murrindindi’s Future. We are requesting more viable timeframes to work within, to receive a greater share of funding to efficiently represent our impacted communities and seeking additional funding to rapidly pull together shovel ready projects which will create jobs and provide an immediate economic benefit to families and business across our shire.

“Council will support community through continued advocacy efforts as well as supporting the acceleration of the ‘Shaping Murrindindi’s Future’ project.

Blue green algae warning removed for Lake Eildon

Goulburn Murray Water (GMW) has now removed the blue-green algae warning for Lake Eildon following a significant decline in algae levels.

GMW announced the blue-green algae warning for Lake Eildon on April 21, 2023. It remained in place for 88 days.

GMW will continue to undertake water quality monitoring and if blue-green algae reach levels deemed unsafe by national health guidelines, a warning will be issued. The removal of this warning along with the ones at Newlyn Reservoir and Hepburn Lagoon means there are currently no blue-green algae warnings in place at any GMW storages.

To keep up to date with current blue-green algae warnings, phone 1800 013 357 and select the BGA information option, or visit the Blue-Green Algae page on the GMW website at [g-water.com.au/news/bga](http://g-water.com.au/news/bga).

Customers are reminded water supplied by GMW is not suitable for human consumption without first being properly treated. For more information, head to the Water Quality page on the GMW website at [g-mwater.com.au/water-quality](http://g-mwater.com.au/water-quality)

How has Shaping Murrindindi’s Future changed?

ALLISHA Milestone, Project Manager, Shaping Murrindindi’s Future, was asked, is the early cessation of Native forest timber harvesting impacting plans for Shaping Murrindindi?

She responded, “Shaping Murrindindi’s Future is a community-led project uniting and connecting locals who care about the future of their community. The project is assisting communities who are directly affected by the transition away from native timber harvesting, particularly the areas of Marysville, Buxton, Taggerty and Alexandra, to identify and develop opportunities for economic diversification.

“The Victorian Government recently announced that all native forest timber harvesting will cease by the end of this year. This announcement has brought forward the planned forestry transition by seven years. We understand that this announcement is causing concerns and anxiety within the community.

“This announcement has not impacted the funding that is available to deliver the Shaping Murrindindi’s Future project over a two-year period.

“As part of Phase One of the project, we are focusing on identifying strengths, unique assets and innovative ideas, together with community members and industry, which might support future economic growth in the area. This work will feed into a full Context Analysis report, which we expect to complete by November 2023.

“From there, we will move into the second phase of the project and establish working groups to develop project plans and pilots for viable innovation ideas. We expect to deliver the Local Development Strategy by March 2025, which will identify key priority projects, and the sources of funding required to deliver these projects. It will also outline the ongoing governance arrangements to enable the strategy to be led by the community.”

“This project is made possible through funding from the State Government’s Forestry Transition Plan. For more information relating to the updated forestry transition timelines and additional support please visit [vic.gov.au/forestry](http://vic.gov.au/forestry) or alternatively call the Forestry Information Support Line 1800 318 182.

You can also visit [shapingmurrindindisfuture.com.au](http://shapingmurrindindisfuture.com.au) for more information on project timelines, or email Allisha Milestone at [amilestone@murrindindi.vic.gov.au](mailto:amilestone@murrindindi.vic.gov.au)

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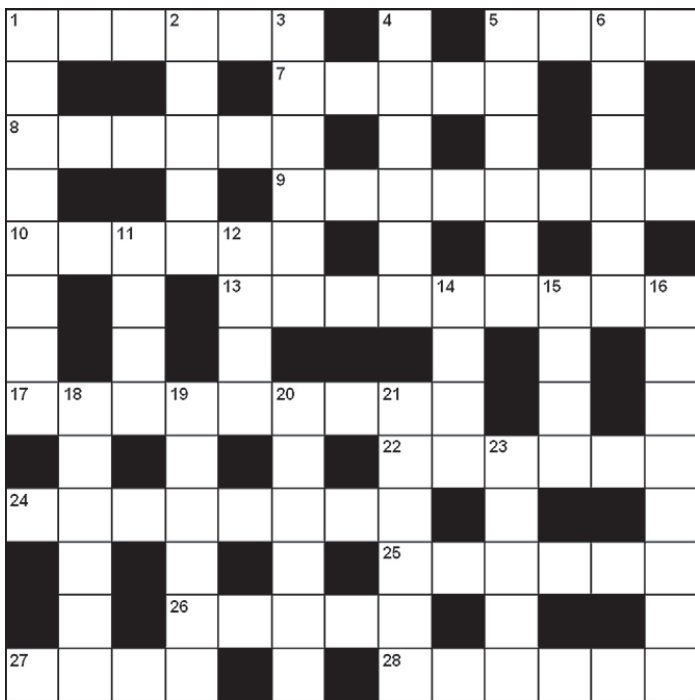
## Crossword

### ACROSS

- With honesty.
- Eat like a bird.
- Fourth month of the year.
- Hold on to.
- Jumping herbivorous marsupial.
- Loose sleeveless cloak.
- Waiter of the Second Coming.
- Upset stomach.
- Produce buds.
- Mixed letters word games.
- Showing favouritism.
- A fleshy fruit.
- Elaborate song for solo voice.
- Sprinkled lightly.

### DOWN

- A long and mournful complaint.
- A distinguishing characteristic.
- Pulled with a jerk.
- Copper and tin based alloy.
- Easily altered.
- Joyful religious songs.
- Birds projecting beaks.
- Wash with soap and water.
- A less than average tide.
- Transmission of knowledge.
- Rocked back and forth.
- Distant but within sight.
- An Asian temple.
- Annoy continually.
- Given out.
- Gaps between cloud masses.



## Word search – Winter

- Blankets  
Freezing  
Gloves  
Heater  
Scarf  
Skiing  
Snow  
Snowman  
Temperature  
Toboggan

U J F T H H A X R J Q B N K X  
I E S N O W M A N E R Y T R J  
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## Criss Cross Word Puzzle

Use the clues to fill in the words.

Words can go across or down.

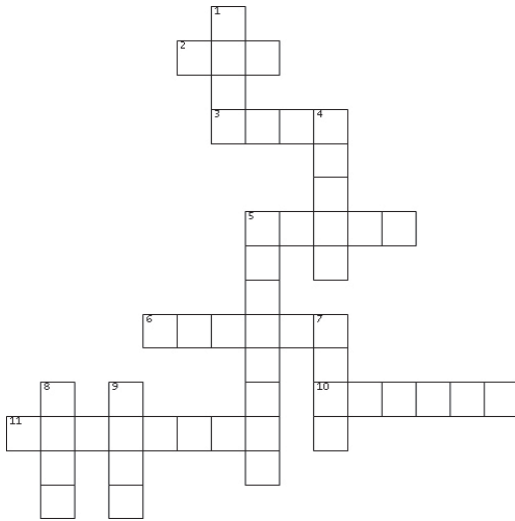
Letters are shared when the words intersect.

### ACROSS

- Electric
- Donkey
- Eagle
- Cold
- Crossword
- Glossy

### DOWN

- Window
- Barbecue
- Program
- Skipping
- Rat
- Lion



## Maths Squares

Fill in the missing numbers.

The missing values are the whole numbers between 1 and 25.

Each number is only used once.

Each row is a math equation.

Each column is a math equation.

Remember that multiplication & division are performed before addition and subtraction.

2	×		-		+		8
+		+		-		×	
	+		-		-		-3
×		+		+		+	
	+		×		+		17
+		+		+		+	
	+	15	+		-	16	16
79		34		12		57	

## Sudoku

Difficulty: Hard

Fill in the boxes using the numbers 0 to 9 and letters A to F.

Every row and column and every group of 16 boxes inside the thicker lines must contain each number and letter only once.

F				1	C	5	7	0
2	E				1	3	F	0
6		A	8	9		B		1
1	5	C		7	3	D		2
E	7	4			6	5		D
		2	4	C	B	6	1	D
B		1			A	E	7	3
A	6		F	7		C	3	2
	C	7		D		2	4	
	9	5	A	8	7	C		2
		E	6	1		9	3	0
A	8				2	D		9
			9			F	2	E
4	3	0		2			9	1
F	D		1	C	5	8		
2	1	9		6		8		F

# YEA CWA resurgent

MEMBER numbers had been falling at Yea Country Womens Association, and there were fears the group may fold.

But with a bundle of new members and a committee determined to keep it alive, the YEA CWA are resurgent.

They now have around 20 active members, but they are still keen for others to join.

“I think the CWA is really important in every country town and it’s very important that we have our own in Yea,” Yea CWA President Kaye Barnes said.

“It’s nice for women to be together. It’s coming together collectively and leaving everything else at the door,” she said.

Yea CWA has a craft session every third Thursday of the month and a business meeting every fourth Thursday of the month. They also engage in a variety of other projects and activities in the community. They’re currently planning an afternoon tea fundraiser for the Navy band.

CWA Yea are resolved to confound perceptions that it is an aging institution.



Plate made by Yea CWA's expert mosaic maker Kerry Letson-Gaff. -RS

“The CWA is not just for old women, it’s for all women,” said Mrs Barnes.

If you’re interested in joining, or would just like to know more, you can contact President Kay Barnes on 0400 424 888.



Yea Country Women's Association members Shirley, Margaret and Kaye busy at work on their mosaic projects. -RS



A mosaic pot made by the Yea CWA ladies. -RS



## How Soil Nutrition Affects Grass Tetany in Beef Cattle

by Stuart Foy, Graduate Agronomist,  
Nutrien Ag Solutions

DURING the cold winter months and early spring, some cattle farmers will experience grass tetany in their herds that can lead to, in some cases, death of their livestock. It is crucial to address the significance of maintaining appropriate soil nutrition to prevent the emergence of grass tetany in cattle.

Grass tetany, scientifically known as hypomagnesemic tetany, presents a significant risk to the health and productivity of cattle.

Understanding grass tetany and its effects is a great way to arm yourself with the skills to notice early symptoms and employ management strategies to negate the associated risks.

Grass tetany is a metabolic disorder characterized by low magnesium (Mg). This condition, if left untreated, can lead to serious health implications, including muscular spasms, reduced milk production, weight loss, reproductive issues, and even death in severe cases. While several factors contribute to the development of grass tetany, the most critical component lies beneath our feet, the nutrition of the soil. Grass tetany usually occurs in late winter/early spring when the grass has higher than normal potassium levels which interrupts magnesium absorption by the rumen. This problem can be accentuated by the inappropriate use of potassium fertiliser.

Soil nutrition serves as the foundation for plant growth, indirectly influencing the health and nutrition of grazing animals. Magnesium is a crucial mineral for cattle, as it plays a vital role in nerve and muscle function. Unfortunately, the natural supply of Mg in Central Victoria's soil can often be inadequate for sustaining optimal livestock health. Subsequently, the grasses cattle graze upon may lack sufficient levels of magnesium, thereby increasing the risk of grass tetany.

To moderate the threat of grass tetany, farmers in Central Victoria must prioritise soil nutrition management. By employing the following key practices, you can promote optimal mineral levels in the soil and safeguard the well being of your cattle.

### Soil Testing

Regular soil testing ensures a comprehensive understanding of nutrient levels and pH balance in your pastures. Aim for a pH level between 6.0 and 6.5 (CaCl2), as acidic soil reduces the uptake of magnesium. Other soil elements, magnesium, calcium, sodium, potassium, and nitrogen play a vital role in dictating the risk of grass tetany.

Fertiliser applications: The application of well balanced fertilisers, rich in minerals like magnesium, phosphorus, and potassium, is vital to correct nutrient deficiencies. The concentration of phosphorous in the rumen is also very important, the higher level of phosphorus the better magnesium absorption. A soil test can identify these deficiencies before they become a health concern to stock.

### Mineral Supplementation

In addition to soil nutrition management, directly supplementing livestock feed with magnesium rich minerals is crucial during periods of increased risk. Various magnesium supplementation options are available, including powered supplements and mineral blocks. Cattle that are also deficient in salt (sodium) are at a greater risk of contracting tetany. Introducing blocks with a high sodium content is advised.

### Pasture Management

Rotating pastures and implementing diverse species can help maintain a consistent nutritional profile. Forage species such as clover provide higher magnesium and

calcium levels, offering a natural solution to soften grass tetany risks. Having weeds like capeweed isn't necessarily a bad thing in relation to grass tetany. Capeweed is a good source of energy that cattle can source to alleviate the risks of getting tetany.

Recognising the critical role that soil nutrition plays in guarding against the emergence of grass tetany in Central Victoria's pasture systems. A comprehensive approach encompassing soil testing, fertilisation, mineral supplementation, and pasture management will set the foundation for healthy and productive livestock. By prioritising soil nutrition management practices, the well being of the producers' cattle can be ensured.



## Sudden horse deaths across the state

AGRICULTURE Victoria is working to investigate the cause of multiple sudden deaths in horses which have occurred on separate properties since Tuesday, July 4.

To date, there have been 13 confirmed horse deaths on five separate properties to July 20. The properties are located on the Mornington Peninsula, south east Melbourne, Ballarat and Colac, with no common links immediately evident. The affected horses reportedly died quickly with short term non-specific signs of illness or no observed illness.

The investigation involves owners, private veterinarians, and a range of experts, including the Australian Centre of Disease Preparedness and the University of Melbourne. While the investigation is in early stages, testing for a number of infectious diseases has to date been negative. Potential toxicities are also being explored. Unfortunately, the investigators currently have access to limited suitable diagnostic samples.

Several informal reports of further affected properties are being investigated, with a number of instances of false information identified to date. Anyone

aware of speculated further cases is asked to encourage official notification. Please do not share unconfirmed information online or on social media.

Agriculture Victoria is asking for notification of any sudden horse deaths in Victoria since July 1, 2023. Notifications can be made via EAD Hotline on 1800 675 888 for new cases or via [cvo.victoria@agriculture.vic.gov.au](mailto:cvo.victoria@agriculture.vic.gov.au) for past cases (since July 1) that have not yet been reported.

Timely engagement is critical for obtaining good quality diagnostic samples.

Although samples to date have tested negative for Hendra, each call out should be considered on a case by case basis and may not be connected to this incident, therefore Hendra precautions should be taken. Practitioners should consider rushed testing for Hendra (facilitated by Agriculture Victoria) in acutely ill or dead horses and prior to any invasive investigations or treatment. When contact is unavoidable, use of full PPE, including impervious boots such as gumboots, overalls and gloves, safety eyewear and P2 respiratory mask is of critical importance in case of Hendra or other zoonotic diseases.

Horse owners are reminded to make sure their Property Identification Code (PIC) details are up to date. PICs are free and easy to get on the Agriculture Victoria website.



Sudden horse deaths have occurred across Victoria in recent weeks. -Betty Wills

### SAVE THE DATE

**August 3** - Straun  
Straun to Victoria, Producer and AgTech Tour  
- PIRSA

**August 13-15** - Wagga Wagga  
Thriving Women Conference  
- AgriFutures

**September 22** - Wagga Wagga  
Adapting in agriculture - accessibility in agricultural enterprises- Ability Agriculture Business Network

### UPCOMING CATTLE SALES DATES

**Aug 4** Combined agents store sale

**Sept 1** Combined agents store sale

**Oct 6** Combined agents store sale

**Nov 3** Combined agents store sale

**Dec 1** Combined agents store sale



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## PHOTO COMPETITION


Each month we are running a photo competition with a theme. The theme for the month of August is 'WINTER'.

Simply send in your name, address, phone number and date of birth with your photo to [manager@alexandranewspapers.com.au](mailto:manager@alexandranewspapers.com.au) (files cannot be smaller than 1mb or exceed 10mb and must be of printable quality), or PO Box 5 Alexandra Vic 3714 or you can drop it off at Alexandra Newspapers located 43 Grant Street Alexandra.

The winner will receive a \$50 voucher from Embling Rural in Alexandra. Entries need to be received by August 31, 2023. Please do not submit photos that have been edited in any way, any photos that have not been taken by you, any photos not taken in the last 12 months or any more than 3 photos per month.



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### COCONUT JAM SLICE

by Margo Galloway

**BASE**  
125g butter or margarine, softened  
125g (1/2 cup) sugar  
1 egg  
185g (1 1/2 cups) self raising flour

**FILLING**  
90g (1 cup) desiccated coconut  
125g (1/2 cup) sugar  
1 egg  
2 tablespoons jam

**METHOD**  
Base: Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the egg and fold in flour. Press mixture into a 20cm (8 inch) square baking tin lined with baking paper or foil  
Filling: combine coconut, sugar and egg in a bowl and mix well.  
Spread the jam over the base then spread the coconut mixture evenly over the top. Bake in a hot oven at 200C for 15 minutes or until golden brown. Cool in the tin and cut into squares. Makes 25 pieces of slice.  
Note: Traditionally this is made using raspberry jam but any other jam or marmalade can be used. My personal favourite is lime marmalade. You know like the old song 'You put the lime in the coconut...'



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*Fox and dog bounties are again being offered. -Miki Yoshihito*

## Fox and dog bounties

Participants in the Victorian Fox and Wild Dog Bounty are reminded that the system is now digital.

Agriculture Victoria introduced the new system last year to streamline the application process, reduce wait times at collection centres and allow participants to keep track of bounty applications.

To register for the digital system visit [agriculture.vic.gov.au/biosecurity/pest-animals/victorian-fox-and-wild-dog-bounty](http://agriculture.vic.gov.au/biosecurity/pest-animals/victorian-fox-and-wild-dog-bounty)

For assistance, please chat to bounty collection staff on collections days or call the customer service centre on 136 186.

The nearest collection points are in Mansfield at the depot located at 128 Highett Street from 2 to 4pm on Wednesdays, July 26, August 23, September 20 and October 18, and in Broadford (fox only) at 5 Mollinson Street, Broadford from 10.30am to 12.30pm on Thursdays, July 27, August 24, September 21 and October 19.

## VFF lobbies for road maintenance

THE Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) says it was a missed opportunity to not redirect any money from the cancelled 2026 Commonwealth Games to Victoria's crumbling regional road network.

VFF President Emma Germano welcomed the funds from the \$2.6 billion earmarked for hosting the games being spent in regional Victoria, but says it was a mistake to not spend any on crumbling regional roads.

"Our country roads are the lifelines of regional Victoria, supporting the backbone of our regional economy. Redirecting funds to fixing these roads would have made sense and would have delivered a benefit to every regional Victorian.

"Time and time again our roads have been left to crumble and now the only legacy the Andrews Government risks being remembered for in regional communities is the neglect of country roads," she said.

Noting the Victorian Government's commitment to provide funding for sporting infrastructure, social housing and tourism, Ms Germano said the government has a responsibility to deliver positive outcomes for all regional Victorians.

"Sports stadiums in Bendigo, Ballarat and Geelong are little comfort to regional Victorians stuck on the side of the road with a bent wheel and blown out tyre.

"Tourists won't visit regional Victoria if it has a reputation for having the worst roads in the country.

"Our broken country roads are compounding cost of living concerns for all Victorians who are facing unexpected and unbudgeted repair bills to keep their cars on the road.

"The additional costs to farmers and transporters is only adding to the cost of doing business and the cost of food on the supermarket shelves.

"Daniel Andrews has let slip a golden opportunity to make a difference to regional Victoria pass by. Real investment in country roads would have had a tangible impact for everyone and the VFF will keep pushing for regional Victoria's fair share of road funding," Ms Germano said.



## Looking after your animals and yourself

MURRINDINDI Shire Council and Agriculture Victoria are hosting a free workshop for all farmers on Thursday, July 27 in Molesworth, talking about how looking after your animals and yourself.

This is an opportunity for farmers across Murrindindi Shire, whether experienced or new to the industry, to hear from the two guest speakers about animal health issues that the district may be facing, and about mental health information and support available.

Delatite Vet Services principal vet Anna Manning will discuss current animal health issues and how to respond. Knowing how to deal with liver fluke, worms, lice and clostridial diseases can be important for this time of year.

Dr Rob Gordon is an expert in supporting people impacted by floods and other natural disasters. He will discuss methods and strategies to help manage yourself in prolonged disasters and managing continuing stressful situations.

The event will take place at the Molesworth Public Hall, 4355 Goulburn Valley Highway, Molesworth, on Thursday, July 27 from 7.30 to 9.30pm.

A free supper will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, contact Toni Dakis from Agriculture Victoria on 0428 975 728 or email [toni.dakis@agriculture.vic.gov.au](mailto:toni.dakis@agriculture.vic.gov.au)

## Flood recovery pop-up hubs

MURRINDINDI Shire Council is running a series of pop-up hubs for people to meet the flood recovery team. This is an opportunity to share your story and to find out what support is available to you.

Next pop-up times are:

Molesworth Hall on Wednesday, July 19 from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Alexandra Library on Thursday, July 27 from 10am to 1pm.

Yea Library on Tuesday, August 1 from 5 to 6.30pm

Yea Library on Wednesday, August 2 from 10am to 1pm.

Dates are currently being planned for the Flowerdale, Kinglake, Glenburn and Buxton communities. A meeting was previously held on July 13 in Thornton.

The flood recovery team will also be attending the Yea Cattle Sales each month to offer information and support to farmers. They will be in attendance on Friday, August 4 from 10.30am to 3pm, and Friday, September 1 from 10.30am to 3pm.

For more information about resources available for your ongoing recovery, visit the Flood Hub. This hub has information on available grants, infrastructure updates, and support services available. It can be found at [murrindindi.vic.gov.au/floods2022](http://murrindindi.vic.gov.au/floods2022)

Murrindindi Shire Council received funding from the Victorian Government through Emergency Recovery Victoria's Community Recovery Hubs grant program in response to the October 2022 flood event which impacted Victorian communities.

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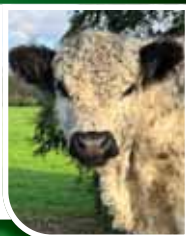
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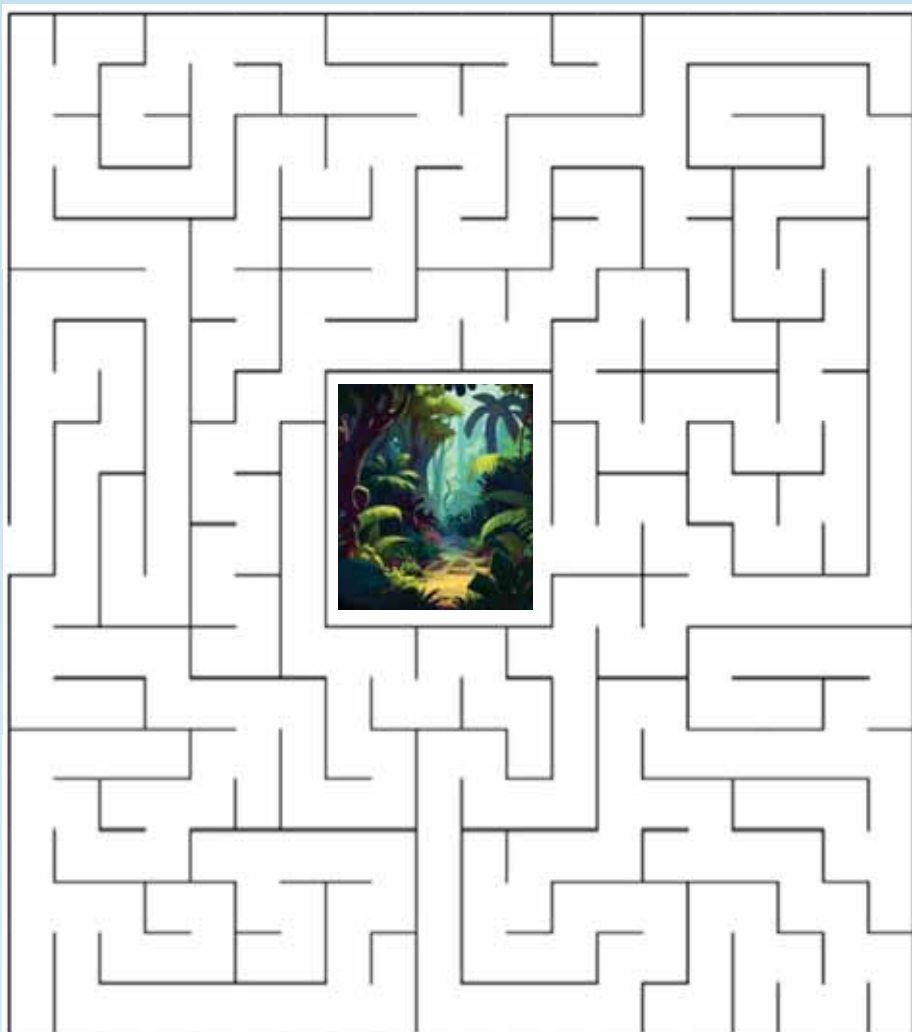
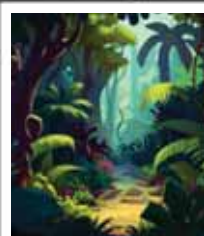
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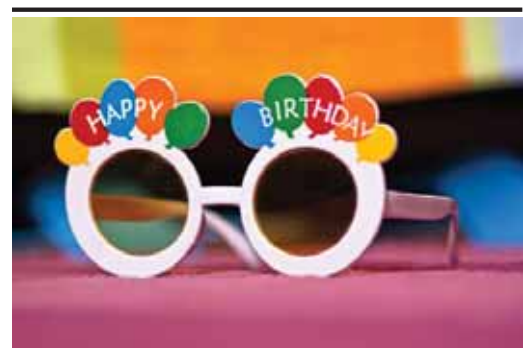
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The Board of Directors of Alexandra District Health  
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## DEATH NOTICES

### GILMORE, Alan

We are saddened to announce the peaceful passing of Alan 'Bull' James Gilmore (77 years) on July 21, 2023.

Loved father of Catherine, Ross (dec), Louise and Gary. Loving Grandfather to Zoe, Maya, Nathan and Nicholas. Father in-law to Warwick and Sarah. Son of Jim (dec), and Win (dec). Brother to Marie and Judy.

We're left filled with fond memories of him teaching us paddock bashing on horses, dirtbikes and in old 'Gilmorized' cars, fishing and hunting, nature appreciation, and choosing a good piece of wood. He will be deeply missed by family and friends, his jokes and laughter forever resonating in our hearts.

## FUNERAL NOTICES

### GILMORE

The service to celebrate Alan's life will be held at the Thornton Hall on Thursday, August 3, 2023, commencing at 1pm.



## MEETINGS

### EILDON ACTION INC

will hold its Annual General Meeting on August 15, 2023 at 5.30pm at the Eildon Visitor Information Centre. Everyone welcome. Nominations for committee and committee positions can be made on the night or submitted prior to the meeting. Nomination forms are available from the Visitor Information Centre or on the night.

## MEETINGS



### Upper Goulburn Community Radio

Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, August 21 at 7.30pm via Zoom. For a meeting link or to nominate for committee contact secretary via email [info@ugfm.org](mailto:info@ugfm.org) or PO Box 270, Alexandra, Vic 3714 or call 5772 2722

**YEA & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC** Annual General Meeting Monday, August 7, 2023 at 2pm at Yea Shire Hall Supper Room. New members most welcome.

**ALEXANDRA GARDEN CLUB AGM** will be held at 2pm on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at the Uniting Church Alexandra.

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The team at AAMI Stadium where they laid hybrid turf. -S

# The green green grass of home at the FIFA Women's World Cup

THE FIFA Womens World Cup kicked off on Thursday, July 20 in Auckland and local business HG Turf have had a big part to play in this huge world event.

HG Turf have supplied the hybrid grass for eight of the 10 stadiums. Hybrid grass is a state of the art product which contains 95 per cent natural grass and five per cent artificial grass.

Hamish Sutherland, managing director at HG Turf, said hybrid grass is "still a natural grass but the synthetic grass in it helps with stability and durability. It protects the natural grass and more importantly helps with consistency.

"By having hybrid grass, it's a consistent field for ball rolling, bouncing, players turning and sliding. This is important for soccer because it's a lot of ball surface interactions whereas in sports such as AFL and rugby, they carry the ball.

"The hybrid grass (HERO) is grown locally in Alexandra along with other states. It's a knitted hybrid grass system where the vertical fibres are knitted to an underlying grid and it is grown in the sand. This results with a system where it can be rolled up on farm and transported to stadiums. As soon as the grass is laid down, players can play on it straight away.



The turf being prepared for use. -S

"The sand layer is quite thick, coming in at 40mm and weighing in at 80kg per square meter, so players can't move it. This is what stadiums need, especially for multipurpose use. You need to use sand in the product because its high performance in terms of drainage and aeration," he said.

The team at HG Turf have been working with this technology for 25 years. They started off with the MCG contract in 1998 and are continuing to supply the stadium. Over the years they have seen what has worked and what hasn't worked, and have had to innovate over time.

HG Turf has also supplied its product to the Sydney Olympics in 2000, the Rugby World Cup in 2003, 2011 and 2019, and the Commonwealth Games in 2006 and 2018.

Hamish said, "To have a FIFA World Cup is just huge. Two billion viewers. It's such a huge event. We are very humbled and proud to be part of it."

Gavin Sutherland, co-founder and director of HG Turf, said, "It's been a group effort, the staff all the way from mechanics to the field and the office staff have all contributed. We really are very lucky to have the staff that we have to make it work."



Growing the turf in Murrindindi. -S



# The end of the road for bouncing pillows at caravan parks?

WITH the recent changes to public liability insurance for caravan parks, owners aren't feeling very buoyant with the news that the jumping pillows must be removed in order to have public liability insurance for their park.

Cameron Blanchard, manager of the Marysville Holiday Park, has recently had to remove the park's jumping pillow after having at least five different liability insurance companies advising that they won't insure the park while the jumping pillow is there.

"We had to remove it or not have public liability. This is for all caravan parks across the board," Cameron said.

When it comes to insurance premiums, caravan parks are also feeling the brunt of the rising costs. Extreme weather events such as floods and fires have contributed to price hikes for insurance premiums.

Cameron said, "It's gone up leaps and bounds each year despite no claims. It's a rising cost with no signs of it turning around anytime soon. Unfortunately, it forces operators to put their fees up and the consumer is wearing it.

"We have been working closely with the Murrindindi Shire Council regarding the insurance and they have been very supportive."

A spokesperson from the Insurance Council of Australia said, "Insurance globally is currently in a 'hard' market, which means capital is scarce, reinsurance is more difficult to obtain, and risk appetites are low, all of which can impact the cost of premiums locally, particularly those sectors that represent a higher insurance risk.

"Since 2019, the caravan park sector has been impacted by the hard insurance market and has resulted in some insurers withdrawing from this sector of the market.

"Caravan parks located in areas of high extreme weather risk and/or which have installed guest facilities that may impact underwriting risk, for example pools, water slides, jumping pillows, trampolines and licensed bars are particularly affected by this as these facilities present more risk and have been a source of public liability claims."

Scott Parker, Chief Executive Officer from Victorian Caravan Parks Assoc Inc. (VicParks) commented on the current climate that caravan parks are facing.

"Very few, if any, insurance companies are now covering jumping pillow risk. This is despite there never being one caravan park jumping pillow claim for customer injury for as long as anyone can remember.

"Some insurers are seemingly convinced that jumping castles are the same risk as a jumping pillow. They are entirely different

**More support for women in the workforce**

A NEW report from Women Rising reveals a looming talent crisis as women weigh up career prospects with current employers. One in two women are considering career change and one in five non-retirement age women are contemplating leaving the workforce.

New data from women's leadership company, Women Rising, shows an urgent need to address issues facing women at work as an alarming divide among women to either step into new roles or step out of the workforce emerges.

Women Rising surveyed 1200 women from various industries and roles about their experiences and goals in the workplace. The resulting report, *The Voice of Women at Work 2023*, shows that career development is key to retaining women, however the impacts of poor confidence, bias, burnout and a lack of leadership has many unsure of their future career path.

"Employers should be concerned by these findings. Women are leaving jobs and even whole careers behind because of leadership gaps that could be easily addressed," says Women Rising Founder and CEO, Megan Dalla Camina.

According to the report findings, 50 per cent of those surveyed have considered switching careers in the past 18 months, 34 per cent have thought about reducing their hours and a third (33 per cent) have contemplated taking a less demanding job. Shockingly, 21 per cent of non retirement age women have pondered leaving the workforce altogether.

Promisingly, the report shows there's no lack of ambition among women. One in two (50 per cent) have thought about

products with an entirely different risk profile, yet underwriters refuse to acknowledge that and include jumping pillow cover in premium renewals. Of course, these renewals are scarce even with jumping pillows excluded and it is extremely difficult to find property insurance cover as well.

pursuing a promotion in the last 18 months, 44 per cent have considered asking for a pay rise, and almost a third (31 per cent) are looking to amplify and progress their careers by taking on a stretch assignment. However, less than one in ten (8 per cent) are thriving in their job and almost two thirds (63 per cent) don't believe they are fulfilling their potential at work.

Confidence, burnout and wellbeing were cited as major challenges for women at work, with more than half (53 per cent) expressing feelings of self doubt, 78 per cent experiencing burnout in the last 18 months and 40 per cent impacted by stress or time pressure.

"While women are suffering from a lack of mentorship and sponsorship, they're not sitting idly by waiting for their careers to happen. Many are ready to take action," says Megan.

Here employers should take note, 24 per cent of the women who changed jobs in the last 18 months cited a lack of opportunity to advance as their reason for leaving. Furthermore, 74 per cent stated they will leave their employer if there's no investment in their career development.

"What's clear is that organisations risk losing talented female employees if they do not move the needle on career and leadership development," says Megan.

According to The Voice of Women at Work 2023, 84 per cent of women agree that support from their manager is what they need to thrive at work. Disappointingly, less than half (49 per cent) have a supportive career mentor and worse still, one in five (19 per cent) state they have an unsupportive manager. Worryingly, just 40 per cent of women feel that their leader is inclusive all

"This is a clear case of market failure, and we are calling on the Victorian Government to intervene or we will find caravan parks being unable to continue to operate. These risks burdening the state with even more homeless people and reducing the availability of affordable holidays for hundreds of thousands of Victorians every year."

the time and a mere 18 per cent agree their leader matches company rhetoric on gender diversity.

For women to reach their full potential, and for businesses to thrive, organisations must invest in women's leadership development that works.

"Providing women with direct support and mentoring is just one part of the solution. Modern leadership models require male leaders to develop the skills and knowledge to be more effective allies for women in the workplace," says Megan.

Women Rising's framework has been developed to fast track women's career success. Of the 5500 graduates to complete the program since 2021, 96 per cent report having new tools to progress their careers and increased opportunities. Furthermore, 82 per cent feel more confident that there is a career for them with their current employer.

Key to future business success is the Male Allies program which runs in parallel to ensure men understand the critical role they play in breaking down barriers and promoting gender balance.

"In order to better support women in their journey towards success, it is crucial for us to understand the challenges and opportunities that women face today. The Voice of Women at Work 2023 will not only help organisations understand the unique challenges faced by women in the workplace but aims to empower women to live, work and lead with clarity, purpose, confidence and authenticity," concludes Megan.

For more information, to download the report or join the upcoming Women Rising research briefing webinar, visit the Women Rising at [womenrisingco.com](https://womenrisingco.com)

## Household numbers declining over time

ACCORDING to a new report from the Australian Institute of Family Studies (AIFS), based on the latest Census data, more Australians are living alone than ever before.

One in four (26 per cent) of households are now occupied by one person. This is up from 24 per cent in 2016 and 18 per cent in 1981.

The average Australian household has shrunk from 2.6 people in 2016 to 2.5 people in 2021, this is the first decrease in household size since 2000. Household sizes have been falling since 1910, when the average size was 4.5 people.

Of people living alone, 55 per cent were women and 45 per cent were men. Half of women living alone were aged 65 years or older, compared to one third (32 per cent) of men living alone.

Senior researcher, Dr Lixia Qu, said the decrease in household size is due to more

couples having fewer children or no children, plus an increase in people living alone.

"We're seeing many more households with older couples as Australia's population ages, and more young couples without children. In previous generations that wasn't as common."

AIFS Acting Director, Liz Neville, said the findings come at time when people are being encouraged to "live with others" and increase household sizes.

"We know that we have a major housing challenge in this country and people are being urged to share homes with family and friends, to decrease the demand and lower house prices," Ms Neville said.

"Meanwhile, this data shows that more people than ever are living alone, indicating that strategies must be responsive to latest trends in household size."

The report also showed that Australia's households have become more diverse over time, with increasing proportions of First Nations and immigrant households. More than one third of Australian households are now immigrant households. This number climbed from 28 per cent of all households in 1981 to 35 per cent in 2021.

Dr Qu said both Asian and African countries have become a key source of immigrants in recent years.

"While we're seeing drops in households with people born in the UK and Ireland, the proportion of Australian households with people from Asian and African backgrounds is on the rise," Dr Qu said.

The proportion of households with reference persons from Asian countries increased from less than two per cent of Australian households in 1981 to 13 per cent in 2021.

## Access to medical abortion improving

THE Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) has welcomed the changes to improve access to medical abortion across Australia, particularly for women living in rural and remote communities.

The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) decision removes a number of restrictions for health professionals who prescribe and dispense MS-2 Step, including removing the requirement for GPs to undertake mandatory training and registration every three years. The changes also mean that all pharmacies will now be able to stock and dispense medical abortion medication like any other prescription.

The move is in line with recommendations in the Senate Inquiry into Universal Access to Reproductive Health Care report, including those made by the RACGP.

RACGP President Dr Nicole Higgins said it was a significant step forward to improve access to holistic reproductive care.

"This is a huge step forward to improve access, particularly for those living in rural and remote communities," she said.

"As a GP in a regional centre, I know all too well that there are significant barriers to reproductive care in rural and remote areas. These services are vital, and they must be affordable and accessible for everyone who needs them.

"The TGA's changes will enable greater access to medical abortion for women throughout Australia and will reduce unnecessary red tape for the GPs who provide these essential services.

Dr Higgins said GPs will be even better placed to provide the holistic support, counselling and follow up that is required with medical abortion.

"GPs are often the first port of call for people seeking support for unplanned pregnancy, because they know and trust their GP, and more so in rural communities where the local GP is often the only health service available.

"It is extremely important, access to safe medical or surgical abortion services for women is part of a holistic approach to reproductive health. This is essential, regardless of a woman's income or where she lives," she said.

The RACGP made a submission to the Senate Community Affairs Committee inquiry into universal access to reproductive healthcare. Dr Higgins and Professor Mazza AM also appeared at a public hearing and both are special advisors to the National Women's Health Advisory Council.



## Protect yourself from number plate theft

SERIOUS offenders have been using stolen plates to avoid identification when committing illegal offences such as petrol theft, drug trafficking and burglary.

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Marmalade's player of the day award went to Gemma Anstey and the Yarra Valley Gas encouragement award went to Lola Leatham. -S

# Under 13 netball

by Racheal DeCaneva

THE sun favoured our Under 13 Tigers against Alexandra Black on Sunday. Last time they met, Alexandra Black were victorious so the Tigers went into this game hungry to prove themselves. Both sides showed a good amount of pressure and were evenly matched. In our goals, Ruby and Charlotte communicated well and they

were able to create space providing opportunities for a shot at goals. Throughout the game, Lily and Grace were a constant and reliable pair, teaming up in defence and fighting hard to push the ball back down the mid-court where Lola, Ivy and Gemma passed strongly into our goal circle. Pippa's accuracy in goals continued this match and she was able to showcase her

skills during the third quarter. When it looked like it could become Alex's game, Abbey assisted the team in pushing the ball forward so that our final score reflected just how hard the team had played. Yea came away with the win.

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## Yea golf report

by Alan Pell

NINE teams of three participated in the Ambrose Event on Saturday, July 22. The course was really good considering the rain we've had over the last few weeks. The winners with 73 off the stick nett 61 1/3 were Anthony Coleman, Penny Brittain and Sharon Grogan. Second were Phil Armstrong, Rob O'Halloran and Judi Newman with 76 off the stick nett 61 5/6. Third were Paul and Jo Clayton and Di Holdsworth with 75 off the stick nett 64 1/2. Fourth with the best gross of 72 nett 64 5/6 were Rick Willis, Wayne Rowe and Kevin Coghlan. There was no nearest the pin on the 18th and the Club Award winners were Alan Pell, Michael Spagnolo (good to see him back) and Tony Rule with 75 nett 68 1/2.

Chooklotto results saw Rick Willis win 2kg of poultry and Trout the stubbie holder.

On Thursday, July 20 at Dalhousie Veterans at Avenel GC Vicki Clements won the day at the par three event with 48 points. There were 27 participants who played the sand scrapes which is a different game to conquer. Well done Vicki.

Wednesday Golf Event was Four Ball Best Ball. Nine teams of two contested the day with Anthony Coleman/Paul Clayton winning with 43 points from Martin Lowe/Adrianne Anglin with 40 points. Third were Phil Armstrong/Penny Brittain with 38 points. Nearest the pin for the men was Anthony and Adrianne for the Ladies. The Club Award went to Mic Sheather and Di Holdsworth.



Sharon Grogan, Anthony Coleman and Penny Brittain. -S

## Winter tennis report for round eight

by Rhonda Carpenter

IT was an unusually glorious day for tennis on Monday, July 17 when Mansfield Black hosted Moglonemby, Euroa welcomed Mansfield Blue and Terip met Seven Creeks. Mansfield Red won on forfeit from Benalla who were unable to field a team last minute when illness intervened.

Mansfield Black's Liza Karras and Jenny Bell took it right up to Moglonemby's Deb Seach and Marlene Hanrahan in their opener, ultimately unlucky to lose in tiebreak. Robyn Johnston and Lyn Johnson defeated Rhonda Carpenter and Di Bergelin 8-3 in another hard-fought set.

The next sets were tight, but Moglonemby won both, and then took a final one 8-1. Black's Bell and Carpenter refused to let the visitors steal the show by winning theirs 8-2 in a lengthy battle. Moglonemby won 5-42 defeating Mansfield Black 1-28 and moved into second spot on the ladder.

Over at Terip Cindy Hayes, Frances Lawrence, Bec Little and Phoebe McDermid outclassed Seven Creeks taking every set convincingly. Rowena Ellis, Kerry Hewlett, Nicola Enright, and Jill Hayes secured 10 games in their contest. Terip 6-48 defeated Seven Creeks 0-10.

Match of the round was between Euroa and Blue which included two tiebreakers. Openers went one each way with Mansfield Blue's Michelle Pigdon and Karyn Fraser winning the tiebreak set against Euroa's Sue Vaughan and Lyndall Bigland. Ros Doxey and Ruth Nolan took theirs 8-4 for the home side.

Pigdon combined strongly with Clare Beecham to win 8-5 while Bigland and Doxey took theirs in another breaker. The stage was set for a final set showdown and again these were split one each way. When scores were checked a rare draw was the result. Euroa drew with Mansfield Blue 3-37.

Mansfield Red won on forfeit against Benalla.



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## The sun shines on the Yea junior footballers



*S Heyen and N Demarco from the under 12s. -S*



*Farewell to the Jolly family. -S*



*E Jolly, Z Fairchild and T Jolly from the under nines. -S*



*J Johnston, S Duncan, T Johnston and D Tait from the under 10s. -S*

### Under 10

by Lyndal Tait and Claire Geeson

THE sun was shining as the Tigers travelled to Alexandra for this round, keen to take it up to a team that was strong opposition last time they played each other. Luke and Ashton started strongly in the centre with Ashton rucking, and tapping to Luke who moved the ball quickly to Sienna. Fynn and Angus were tough at the ball in defence, and Izzy at the opposite end presented well and went in hard to gain possession in attack, feeding the ball to Charlie who snapped at goal, just missing to score a point. From the kick in, Charlie again gained possession and kicked another point. Darby and Izzy combined well to defend the ball and keep it in the Tigers forward zone. Darby delivering to Charlie who then returned to Darby, who kicked to Ashton, then back to Darby, the Tigers working the ball forward, to score another point. Alexandra responded with a quick goal. The Tigers set themselves up in the centre ball up with Ashton tapping to Sienna. Luke, Fynn and Sienna combining in defence, with Sienna taking a quick run with the ball to kick to Darby, who then kicked to Izzy, to Angus, then a kick and mark to Charlie who kicked a lovely goal. The Tigers applied great pressure across the ground, shutting down the opposition all quarter, with Alexandra responding late to score a second goal. The Tigers heading into the first break confident but wanting to make the most of their scoring opportunities in the next quarter.

The second quarter started with the Tigers again dominating the centre ruck contest and taking the ball forward. Ashton burst through the pack with the ball to deliver a great kick, Charlie worked hard to hold the ball, and Fynn cleared the ball, kicking deep into the Tigers forward zone. Toby J ran hard and took a great mark, kicking it to Fynn, who then kicked directly to Luke who kicked a great goal. The Tigers were quick to move the ball from the centre bounce back into their forward line, with Luke tapping the ball to Toby G, and back to Luke to kick his second goal of the quarter. Izzy was strong both attacking and defending and stepped up to ruck when needed. Angus applied a strong tackle to win a free kick, saving a near goal by the opposition. The Tigers

moving the ball into attack and scoring a point via Toby J. Darby applied a terrific tackle, preventing Alexandra from scoring, and Charlie fought hard in ball ups to win the ball and kick to Ashton. A very evenly contested quarter by both teams, with lots of support from spectators on the side lines.

At half time, Coach Al spoke to his players about their game so far. He emphasised what had worked and what needed improvement. He changed some key positions, and gave some instructions for the third quarter, asking his players to man up, chase hard, be quick when in attack and to support each other when their teammates have possession of the ball. Luke started in the ruck, tapping to Toby J who kicked directly to Sienna, who turned and snapped a ripper goal. Fynn tapped from the centre ball up to Luke, then on to Toby J then back to Fynn, who kicked the Tigers long into attack again. The Tigers worked hard to keep the ball in their forward zone, but Alexandra moved it quickly to their attack. Charlie worked hard in defence, as did Jonah and Judd. Izzy took a strong mark, kicked to Fynn who marked and then kicked to Sienna who kicked a super goal. A great passage of play by the Tigers. Luke again worked hard in the ruck to get the ball out to his teammate Fynn, who kicked forward to Ashton, who narrowly missed goals to score a point. The Tigers kept the ball in their forward zone, with Sienna working hard to gain possession and turn to kick another ripper goal, her third for the quarter. Luke Miller was strong all quarter, applying strong tackles and chasing down loose balls. Charlie worked hard in defence to stop the opposition from gaining ground.

At the final break, Coach Al congratulated the Tigers for following through with his instructions, and that their hard work had shown in the great football they had played. Some more position changes for the final quarter and the Tigers were keen to finish off the game in great form.

The centre ball up was tapped out by Sienna, who kicked directly to Jonah, who kicked to Charlie in front of goal where he took a solid mark. He set himself up, took his time, lined up and kicked a lovely, measured goal for the Tigers. Sienna ran her opposition ragged throughout the final quarter,

getting numerous possessions, and kicking long to the Tigers advantage. Angus earned a free kick and sent the ball into the Tigers forward zone. He then ran on to gain possession again and fired off a sneaky kick for a great goal. Fynn worked hard to gain possession, following up with long kicks forward, delivering into Charlie's hands for a mark, that he converted into an amazing goal. Oscar playing up forward this term, took a screaming mark, and his measured kick fell just short of goal for a point. Jonah, Judd and Angus kept the ball moving for the Tigers, and Angus took a shot at the big ones, but just missed for a point. Alexandra took possession and moved the ball into their forward line, and scored three goals for the term, but the Tigers were ferocious, fighting hard for every ball and chasing down the opposition. Toby J ran and ran all quarter as per usual. Izzy had a strong quarter in defence, keeping her opponent quiet with strong tackles and body work. Darby was measured in his disposals, and Luke and Ashton stood up tall in the ruck, supported by Fynn. A really terrific game by the Tigers against a tough opposition, that was thoroughly enjoyed by all who watched.

We only have two games left of the season now, both at home, and we would love to have a great crowd come down to Tigerland to support us next Sunday.

**Awards:** Marmalades Player of the Day - Sienna Duncan. Yarra Valley Gas Most Improved - Jack Johnston. Duncan's Panel & Paint Red Hot Go - Darby Tait. Yarra Valley Gas Best Orange Boy - Teddy Johnston

Under 12

by Claire Geeson and Lyndal Tait

OUR under 12's are a super crew of young girls and boys. Each week they turn out for training and games and give it their all. It's fair to say, they have had a tough season, but the score boards certainly don't reflect their commitment, team spirit or love of the game. Today against Alexandra was no different. They took to the field confident and committed and started strongly with Jackson applying a tough tackle and Jack locking in the ball to stop the run of the opposition. Nevaeh tackled to win a free kick, but Alexandra

got a run on and kicked the first goal. Supported by a number of under 10's players stepping up for a second game, the Tigers applied themselves to the game at hand. Sienna tackling and running hard, Max G using his body to bump out the opposition, and Hunter using his height in the Ruck. Ashton and Benji defended hard in the backline, locking the ball up and preventing Alexandra from scoring on a number of occasions. Jack J tackled hard, Sammy took a strong mark and kicked to Ashton who sent the ball into the Tigers attacking zone. Archie was in and under the ball and tackling anyone within his sight. Cooper smothered the ball, and Hunter and Jack tackled well to stop the ball in the centre. The Tigers efforts to keep Alexandra contained were shown on the score board at quarter time, Yea 0, Alexandra 2 goals.

Coaches Cam and Marc were impressed by the Tigers first quarter and the strength they had shown around the ground to stop Alexandra's run and to limit their scoring opportunities. The message was to continue with this style of play and commitment, along with the great teamwork. Hunter kicked off the second quarter with a great tap out in the ruck, followed by a kick into the Tigers forward zone. Jack J tackled and won a free kick. Sienna was always on the move, quick to the ball and quick to clear it. Ashton was strong across half back. Hunter worked hard to lock the ball in and Toby J and Ollie pushed the ball through for a behind. The Tigers were competitive for the entire quarter, running strong and manning up, not allowing their opposition to get many clear opportunities. Hunter was a standout in the ruck, and Sammy (back from a couple of weeks off) was a great presence around the ground gaining possessions and directing traffic. A solid quarter from the Tigers.

After the half time break, the Tigers were slightly caught off guard with Alexandra quick off the mark, and getting the ball to their goals, but the Tigers applied defensive pressure and the ball was rushed through for a behind. Hunter continued to dominate the ruck. Jack J and Archie were hard at the ball. Tyler chased down the opposition and Sammy was strong in the last line of defence. Sienna marked cleanly, as did Jack J, but

Alexandra managed to score a goal, despite the strong Tigers defence. Archie's ongoing pressure saw him receive a free kick, and he kicked into the Tigers attacking zone. Benji tackled hard, and the Tigers just fell short at some moments to score. Sammy took a strong mark deep in defence. Ashton, Archie, Toby J, and Sienna all worked hard together to keep the ball in the Tigers forward third. The Tigers defence forcing three consecutive balls across the line for rushed behinds to Alexandra. Despite the low scoring game, it was exciting football to watch.

In the final quarter, the Tigers were showing no signs of letting their guard down. Ashton took the ball out of the centre for the Tigers, and Max G grabbed the ball and came out of the pack with possession, to deliver to Hunter. He kicked on to Cooper who snapped from the pocket to score a magnificent goal for Yea, to much celebration on an off the field. Darby and Lucas combined to gain possession and kick the ball forward. Lucas ran on into the pack and came out the with ball. Sienna continued to run all day, gaining possessions and valuable kicks. Sammy was strong in defence, and Toby J ran all game. Hunter was strong in the ruck, and Archie's attacking and tackling was great. This was another great game by the Tigers, who just keep on improving each week and remain focussed on learning and developing their football and enjoying the game. With only two games to go for the year (both home games) we are confident they can be rewarded for their hard work with a win before season's end.

**Awards:** Marmalades Player of the Day - Sammy Heyen. Yarra Valley Gas Most Improved - Nevaeh Demarco

### Under 14

**Alexandra 8.8 - 56  
defeated Yea 6.8 - 44**

by Nick Fisher

Last Sunday the Yea Tigers U14's challenged the top of the ladder, Alexandra in Alexandra. The team came out strong and it was a close battle right to the end. Alexandra ended up winning by 2 goals in the final quarter. Next game is in Yea against Seymour.

**Awards:** Hamish Antrobus and Louis McAlpin.