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## Amazing support from Yea locals

IN February 2021, Ellie Gay sustained a life-changing spinal injury. Ellie and a friend jumped on a John Deere Gator utility vehicle in the early hours of the morning and went for a drive around the property she owns with partner Craig Wallace.

Ellie said, "If I had been driving, I know the lay of the land. We were just cruising around and apparently we were laughing as we went over the edge of the land straight into the creek. It was just a really silly accident in the end. The friend is very much a wonderful friend and he's still so much a part of our lives."

They've unfortunately found that the NDIS system has been a bit slow. Craig said, "If it wasn't for the Rotary Club and a few other people, we wouldn't have got Ellie home when she did. She would have been in rehab so much longer."

Ellie was not allowed to go home until the compliant facilities were in place, as she had lost the use of her legs.

Rotary became involved in the bathroom project after Ellie's hairdresser, Lisa Watts, wrote a letter to the organisation, asking if they could help. Ellie believes that Terry Cook read the letter out at the Rotary club, which Ellie found out after the fact.

Craig said, "Rotary have been amazing, especially Ian [Sichlau] to start with. He designed the bathroom for us."

Ian had always found Ellie to be an incredibly cheerful person. Following the accident, the Rotary club decided that they would like to help, based on the letter they were sent.

Ian is an architect. He said, "The logical thing is to go out there and look at the house and see what has to be done to get the house up to the appropriate disabled access standards."

When they went to look, they decided that the bathroom needed to be made larger and part of the passageway needed to be demolished because it wasn't wide enough for a wheelchair to turn around.

Ian said, "To cut a long story short, I did some sketches. Ellie and Craig were happy with it and they had a plumbing contact in Melbourne. The club basically said, well what we'll do is we'll pay for all of the fittings in the bathroom."

Some of the items required were very specialised, including the toilet module, handrail, shower heads, tap fixtures and basin, and the other person who had been on the Gator did the building work. "He's helped us out immensely," Craig said.

Since the plans were completed in about April 2021, Ian occasionally popped in to see how things were going. "It was quite extraordinary. I pulled up one day and they had about six tradie vehicles parked outside. All of those people were doing their thing free of charge," he said.



Craig and Ellie. -S

Ellie was in rehab for three months and one day. She was hoping to be out two weeks earlier, but they asked her to extend the stay by two weeks for some physio work.

Ellie was delighted when she got home after such a long time away. "Going from a 20 ward hospital to a 50 acre property, there's no comparison," she said.

Having the bathroom adjusted has had an enormous impact on Ellie's mobility and ability to do things for herself. "I feel like I'm in a five-star resort every morning when I have my morning routine. It's just divine. The ramps, the wide doors, everything."

"We're very lucky," Ellie said. "We've only been here just six and a half years and we feel at home. It is just the most wonderful community. We're blessed to be here and to be part of it, to be honest." The couple formerly lived in Chirnside Park and then Glenburn before arriving in Yea.

Ellie previously worked at Yea Automotive, and at the time she hurt herself, she had taken two days of annual leave. Some of the customers that she met through working at Yea Automotive have become friends. "They've popped in to see me through this journey or they've called, or sent flowers or cards. Again, it's just the people. They're just incredible humans," Ellie said.

Ellie has also been involved with the Yea Camera Club as treasurer, and one of the ladies at the club bought her an extender

grab stick, which allowed Ellie to turn off light switches or pick up things which were higher up. "Just that simple gesture is incredible. I don't know where to start. It overwhelms me, what has come back to us in this instance. We're going to be fine because of who we know. We've got this."

Now that Ellie is back home and has an adjusted bathroom, she's not letting anything stop her. She got her licence back in March this year, and she now needs to purchase a vehicle. This will be the next NDIS battle, as the vehicle needs to fit their rules before they will pay for the modifications to be made to it.

She also has a new job, working at home three days each week for a disability support service, and has been doing a lot of public speaking. "I've kind of grabbed the bull by the horns to be honest," she said.

"I've just got on with it. People do wonder why I'm so happy, but that's just me. Life goes on. You've just got to work out how to do it. I've got amazing therapists. I've got a village of people who have helped me like nothing else. It's just been incredible. I'm super, super lucky."

One of her recent speaking engagements was at the Rotary Club of Yea, where she was able to thank them for everything they have done.

They have a Go Fund Me page to get Ellie an all-terrain wheelchair for use on the farm, because "the NDIS doesn't have much

of an idea about rural," Craig said. The wheelchair that they're trying to get starts at \$55,000 for the base model. They've raised about \$15,000 so far.

If you would like to help, the page can be found at [gofundme.com/f/lets-get-ellie-a-whiz-bang-wheel-chair](http://gofundme.com/f/lets-get-ellie-a-whiz-bang-wheel-chair)

Ian said, "Ellie's personality is quite amazing, I think. She was always cheerful when you went into the store. You always felt happy coming out. She seems to have retained that personality. She's obviously got a lot of inner strength."

He estimated that the total work would have cost around \$20,000 if commercial rates were charged.

"It was the club," he said. "If you ask any member, they'd say that's why we're part of the club, because we're all there to help the community, locally and internationally."

Ian added, "Ellie said it was interesting talking to other people in the ward to find out how they sustained their injury, and the most innocuous little events can paralyse you. Just slipping in the bathroom or something like that. You don't have to be stupid diving into the shallow end of the pool head-first. It can happen to anyone, anytime."

## Murrindindi records drop in crime rate

THE Crime Statistics Agency (CSA) Victorian crime statistics for the year ending March 31, 2022 show the rate of recorded offences decreasing by 11.9 per cent to 7,048.2 per 100,000 Victorians in the last 12 months.

Murrindindi reflected the trend recording 531 offences and a rate of 3545.5 per 100,000 population members, an overall drop of 19.9 per cent.

Locally in the 12 months to March 31, 2022 the alleged offender incidents decreased to 292 in the last 12 months, as did the rate down to 1949.7 per 100,000.

In Alexandra the criminal incidents for the past 12 months were 86, compared to 131 in the previous year. Yea recorded 49 incidents compared with 66, Eildon 63 (65), Kinglake 47 (54) and Flowerdale 32 (48).

The victimisation rate decreased to 314 and family incidents to 229. All property and deception offence subdivisions decreased in the last 12 months.

CSA Chief Statistician Fiona Dowsley said that changes to COVID-19 responses have resulted in fewer breaches of

Chief Health Officer direction offences, driving offences down in the last 12 months.

"Decreases in acquisitive crime such as thefts and deception have also contributed to decreases in key crime measures, following trends seen throughout the pandemic period," Ms Dowsley said.

The CSA data is based on incidents recorded on the Victoria Police database.

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# The long term rental crisis

MUCH of Australia is facing a crisis in long term rental availability, with many blaming the boom in short term accommodation. The lack of long term rentals has a significant impact in attracting workers to the area.

Some councils have been taking action to reduce the numbers and maintain some control of the short stay market.

In Mornington Shire, neighbours are telling council of suspected short-stay accommodation locations which are not registered, for \$300 per year, with the shire. The registration includes codes of conduct, and was first introduced in 2018. People found to be flouting the rule are being fined \$1000.

Brisbane City Council are also lifting rates for short-term rental properties by 50 per cent, in an encouragement for properties to be returned to the long term rental market.

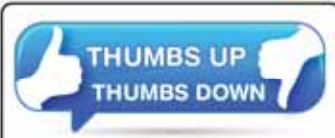
Asked whether Murrindindi Shire Council is considering any changes regarding short stay accommodation, council CEO Livia Bonazzi said, "Unlike Mornington Peninsula Shire Council, we do not require owners of self-contained short-stay rental properties, like houses, cabins or apartments, to register their property with council.

"We understand that Mornington Peninsula Shire Council has introduced a Short Stay Rental Accommodation Local Law in order to ensure property owners are responsible for controlling the conduct of occupants of short stay rental accommodation. We are not aware of any issues in this regard which would warrant such a step within Murrindindi Shire.

"More broadly, there are housing shortages across Victoria. Murrindindi Shire is an area of significant interest for people looking to live and work in the region as well as visit and this is generating pressure to provide appropriate land to enable sustainable residential growth.

"Properties that are known to provide short stay rentals attract a higher commercial rate as they are considered commercial endeavours.

"One of council's important functions is to advocate on behalf of our community. We are actively advocating to the Victorian Government for assistance with strategic planning to create sustainable development opportunities and address the shortage and affordability of housing. We will continue our advocacy efforts on these issues, as it is crucial to the prosperity of our community and our shire."



**THUMBS UP:** As the staff at FoodWorks are always getting a mention for their wonderful customer service, a suggestion for FoodWorks: an Employee of the Month award with a photo at the front of the shop with who it is.

**THUMBS DOWN:** Why is the Murrindindi Shire making it so hard for people to get permits. They should be helping people to get businesses going. Our town should be going forwards not backwards.

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## COVID-19 rule changes

AS part of Victoria's ongoing management of the coronavirus pandemic, Minister for Health Martin Foley has made some minor changes to pandemic orders.

The Acting Chief Health Officer has provided advice that while some key measures can be safely lifted, others should remain until the end of winter. These changes to the pandemic orders come into effect from 11.59pm on Friday, June 24.

Masks must still be worn on public transport, taxis, ride shares, and planes, but in line with the recent Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) statement, will no longer be required at airports. Masks are also still required in sensitive settings such as hospitals and care facilities.

Positive cases must still isolate for seven days from the day they took their test but

may now leave home to drive a household member directly to or from education or work without leaving their vehicle. They can also leave home to get medical care, a COVID-19 test, or in an emergency, including the risk of harm.

To continue to protect the most vulnerable through winter, workers who interact with a vulnerable person will still require three COVID-19 vaccine doses. This includes residential aged care and disability care, healthcare, and custodial and emergency services, including police.

Government imposed third dose mandates in education, food distribution, meat and seafood processing and quarantine accommodation sectors will be lifted. In line with other jurisdictions around Australia, vaccination policies will be the responsibility of individual workplaces.

As almost 95 per cent of Victorians aged 12 and older have had two COVID-19 doses, rules requiring general workers to work from home, unless they are double-vaccinated are lifted. Employers will still be able to set their own workplace conditions.

Visitor caps to care facilities, including residential aged care and disability are removed, with residents able to see any number of people as long as they test negative on a rapid antigen test that day.

If a test is unavailable, a person can only be present for limited reasons such as end-of-life visits. Centres may introduce their own visitor rules to respond to local risk.

The update to pandemic orders was made after consultation with the Acting Chief Health Officer and consideration of their advice. The Minister's Statement of Reasons and the Acting CHO's advice will be published on the Department of Health's website within seven days of the orders coming into effect.

## COMMUNITY DIARY

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## Weekly Weather

June 22, to June 28, 2022

Temperatures may be subject to change from date of publication

Alexandra			Yea		
DAY	LOW	HIGH	DAY	LOW	HIGH
Wednesday	4	11	Wednesday	4	12
Thursday	8	12	Thursday	8	13
Friday	7	11	Friday	6	11
Saturday	4	11	Saturday	4	12
Sunday	7	11	Sunday	6	11
Monday	4	11	Monday	4	11
Tuesday	3	11	Tuesday	3	11

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## RIVER HEIGHTS FOR THE GOULBURN CATCHMENT

STATION NAME	TIME	HEIGHT	TENDENCY	FLOOD CLASS
Goulburn R at Lake Eildon D/S	12.00pm Mon	0.86*	steady	below minor
Rubicon R at Rubicon	12.00pm Mon	0.64	steady	
Acheron R at Taggerty	12.46pm Mon	0.87	steady	below minor
Home Ck at Yarck	10.48am Mon	0.35	steady	
Yea R at Devils Bridge	12.53pm Mon	0.60	steady	below minor
Yea R at Yea	12.46pm Mon	0.88	steady	
Goulburn R at Ghin Ghin	12.00pm Mon	3.39	steady	
King Parrot Ck at Flowerdale	12.00pm Mon	0.56*	steady	below minor
Goulburn R at Trawool	12.00pm Mon	1.05*	steady	below minor
Sunday Ck at Tallaroak	11.45am Mon	0.34*	steady	below minor
Goulburn R at Seymour	1.00pm Mon	1.37	steady	below minor
Whiteheads Ck at Seymour	12.48pm Mon	0.80	steady	

\*ISSUED AT 1.15PM ON MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2022\*\*

## DISTRICT RAINFALL

Alexandra*	N/Amm
Buxton	8.5mm
Eildon (AWS)	11mm
Flowerdale	14mm
Kinglake	27mm
Lake Eildon	14mm
Marysville	N/Amm
Straith Creek	N/Amm
Taggerty	18mm
Yarck	13mm
Yea	8mm

Above details for 7 days to 9am Monday

## LAKE EILDON

Height above sea level this week	283.66m
Capacity as at 9am Monday	80.2%
Metres below full supply	5.24m
Daily inflow	6415ML
Release	400ML
Eildon Pondage (may be subject to rapid change)	59%

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Devlin's Bridge. -S

## No plans for Devlin's Bridge replacement

THERE are no current plans to replace Devlin's Bridge, despite it being an accident hotspot, according to Member for Eildon Cindy McLeish.

Following recent accidents on the bridge where railings were damaged, State Liberal Member for Eildon Cindy McLeish asked the Minister for Road Safety about the safety conditions of the bridge. This included how often routine maintenance checks were conducted, how many accidents occurred on

the bridge, how many repairs the bridge had and when the bridge was due to be replaced.

Ms McLeish said, "Devlin's Bridge is quickly becoming notorious for being an accident hot spot for drivers."

"Motorists want to know if the bridge is sound and safe for the cars, trucks, caravans, and motorbikes that regularly use it."

"After recent accidents occurring on the bridge and the dire state of the Melba

Highway, I can understand motorists concerns for safety."

The Minister confirmed the next structural inspection is due to occur this year but did not say when, and there are no current plans for the bridge to be replaced as it is structurally sound. Over the past five years, 21 routine maintenance activities and 18 hazard type activities have been completed on the bridge.

Over the past 20 years, five accidents have occurred, and

the bridge has been repaired twice due to accidents in the past five years, including the incident which occurred in February 2022.

Ms McLeish continued, "The bridge is part of a major regional highway and needs to be kept up to standard to keep motorists safe."

Devlin's Bridge is approximately 52 years old, with the timber deck being replaced with concrete in 1967.

## Police issue warning to motorists

VICTORIA Police have issued a critical road safety alert as the state enters an especially high-risk period for death and serious injury.

Eighteen lives were lost in just two weeks at the same time last year and police are concerned about a repeat, especially as winter weather reduces visibility and creates hazardous driving conditions.

The alert comes as four lives were lost on Victorian roads on June 15 and 16, including a fatal collision in Buxton.

It brings the state's total lives lost to 113, 18 higher than the same time last year.

Distraction and speed were last year cited as the most common underlying factors in fatal crashes during the period of concern, spanning from June 19 to July 4.

Speed was a contributor in a third of the collisions, with vehicles failing to negotiate the road at speed and collisions with other vehicles at speed the most common.

A quarter of fatalities involved pedestrians, with poor visibility the major contributor.

Collisions between motor vehicles and motorcycles resulted in three fatalities during the period.

Distraction and fatigue were also suspected in several of the fatalities, with some drivers drifting on to the wrong side of the road and colliding with trees or other vehicles.

Police are determined to avoid a repeat of these concerning road trauma trends and are urging motorists to take extra care.

Their plea follows a statewide road policing operation over the Queen's Birthday long weekend which detected more than 5000 traffic offences.

Police will remain highly visible across the state's roads as the school holiday period kicks off next week.

For more information and tips for staying safe on the roads visit the Road Safety page on the Victoria Police website.

Assistant Commissioner Road Policing, Glenn Weir said, "We are entering a high-risk period on Victorian roads that saw 18 lives lost last year. Now is not the time to be complacent when getting behind the wheel."

"Slowing down, remaining alert and being extra cautious when roads are wet or visibility is affected are simple, but life-saving measures all motorists can take to protect themselves and other road users."

"Police will remain highly visible and on the lookout for any risky driver behaviour. We are determined to do everything we can to ensure this period does not become synonymous with road trauma."

## Declaration of the poll in Indi

HELEN Haines was officially been declared the re-elected Independent Federal Member for Indi by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) in Wangaratta on Tuesday, June 14.

It marks the final step in the 2022 federal election in Indi, where Dr Haines was re-elected with a 7.46 per cent swing towards her.

Dr Haines won the final two candidate preferred vote with 58.9 per cent of the vote, while Liberal candidate Ross Lyman finished with 41.1 per cent of the two candidate preferred vote.

Dr Haines received 40.69 per cent of the primary vote, the highest number of first preferences ever received by an independent candidate in Indi, with more than 41,000 people marking a 'one' next to her name on the ballot paper. She received more first preference votes than any other candidate.

"It is an honour to be re-elected as the Federal Independent Member for Indi, to serve and represent everyone across this beautiful electorate," Dr Haines said.

"I am committed to delivering for each and every one of the people of Indi, no matter who they voted for. We are facing some of the most difficult, complex and challenging situations in Australia and I am committed to speaking up for what we need and finding real solutions to our problems."

"Work has already started on the issues the people of Indi have told me are vital, integrity in politics, health care in our region, action on climate change and support for affordable housing and with cost-of-living pressures."

Dr Haines acknowledged the other candidates in the election and their teams of volunteers.

"It is a huge thing to put your hand up to represent your electorate, and a lot of work to mount a campaign. Everyone comes with the goal of making life better for those around them and to participate in the democratic process and that is something to be proud of."

Dr Haines acknowledged the staff of the AEC for their work on the election.

"Thank you to Jenny Essex and her whole team at the AEC here. The work they do is tremendous and important. The AEC makes our democracy possible, and this election posed many new challenges."

Following on from Independent Member for Indi Cathy McGowan, the re-election of Dr Haines is the fourth time the people of Indi have chosen to be represented by an Independent voice in federal parliament.

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# Our history: Fox acquitted in murder trial

The Weekly Times, Saturday, December 2, 1922

HUNDREDS of men and women were turned away from the gallery of the Criminal Court when the third trial of Reuben Fox, 29, sanitary contractor, was resumed before Mr Justice Mann and a jury.

Fox was charged with having murdered Mrs Josephine Jane McLaughlin, at Yea, on or about July 22.

Mr HCG Macindoe prosecuted, and Mr H. Shelton (instructed by Mr T Caples) conducted the defence.

While being examined by Mr Shelton, Fox was absolutely unmoved. He denied having had anything to do with the killing of Mrs McLaughlin. Some of the footprints found on the river bank near where Mrs McLaughlin's body was found, he admitted, might have been his, because he had been

down to the river bank for the purpose of hiding opossum skins.

Fox emphatically denied having spoken to Mrs McLaughlin on the night of the dance.

In his address to the jury Mr Shelton ridiculed the suggestion of the Crown that Fox had deliberately mutilated his fingers to prevent any comparison of prints.

"Oneredherringthat had beendrawn across your trail is that McLaughlin murdered his wife," asserted Mr Macindoe, in his address to the jury.

"A cruel suggestion is not the name for it. There is not a tittle of evidence to support the suggestion."

### Judge Sums Up

Summing up, Mr Justice Mann drew the jury's attention to the fact that of five or six witnesses who testified to having seen Fox on June 26, only one witness, called by the accused, saw blood running or dripping from a wound over his eye.

Fox, when giving evidence, claimed that the bloodstains alleged to have been

found by the police on his clothes after the murder, came from a wound which he had received over the eye on June 26, when in a drunken condition.

Further commenting upon that phase of the evidence, Mr Justice Mann said that none of the witnesses had observed any traces of blood on Fox's clothing. One man stated that he took Fox home and put him to bed without seeing any bloodstained clothing.

Having lived alone, said his Honour, Fox had not the ordinary opportunities of proving an alibi. It had put to the jury that Fox visited McLaughlin's house the day after the murder, and that that was not the action of a guilty man. On the other hand, the Crown said that it was quite consistent with guilt that Fox went there to find out how the land lay.

After the jury retired, Mr Justice Mann, in reply to a point raised by Mr Macindoe, said he was satisfied that there was no evidence in regard to Fox's state of mind that would justify a finding of manslaughter.

### Verdict Cheered

There were loud cheers all over the court, and especially in the gallery, when at 3.20 p.m. the jury brought in its verdict.

It was a tense moment for Fox. But his face brightened in a flash. Facing Detective Bruce, Fox almost shrieked, "How do you like that, Bruce?"

As Fox left the dock several relatives and friends made a wild rush to congratulate him. They were told by the police to keep away.

There was not even stranding room in the court. Outside the court several salvos of applause were heard.

After embracing and shaking hands with his relatives and friends in the corridor, Fox wormed his way through an excited crowd into Lonsdale Street, where he received a further ovation. He walked down the street with a body of supporters and disappeared into a shop.

Fox was found not guilty, and was discharged.

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### This week's Church Services

- ST PETER'S MEMORIAL ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
Cnr Bald Spur/Whittlesea Kinglake Rds, Kinglake.  
Sunday Services, 8.30am Communion.  
Minister: Rev. Ruwan Palapathwala  
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- ST LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH OF YEА**  
Sunday Service time  
11am  
Father Mario Hendricks Ph: 0437 937 433
- CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ALEXANDRA AND YEА**  
Immaculate Conception Parish  
Parish Priest, Father Vinh Nguyen  
Ph 5772 1167  
St Matthews Eildon, Saturday 5pm  
Alexandra, Sunday 8.45am  
Sacred Heart Yea, Sunday 10.45am
- CATHOLIC PARISH OF KINGLAKE**  
Fr Martin Ashe, Parish Priest Ph 9717 6482  
St Mary's Kinglake: Sunday 8.30am
- SCOTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, YEА**  
Station Street Yea  
Colin Whiteway Ph 0419 351 267 / 5799 1295  
Sunday Service 11.15am
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1st and 3rd Sundays 9am, 1050 Main Road,  
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## Out & About

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Glenburn Rural Fire Brigade Biennial General Meeting and

election of office bearers will be held tonight, June 22, at 7.30pm at Glenburn Fire Station. Nominations can be lodged with the secretary by 4pm Monday, June 6, [kab3974@gmail.com](mailto:kab3974@gmail.com)

A community meeting will be held on June 25, at 10am to discuss incorporating and restarting the Yea Pony Club.

Full details are available or to book a seat contact Judith on 0437 800 308 or Chelsea on 0417 177 242.

Marysville Lantern Parade will be held on June 25 from 5.30pm around the lake. All invited. Rug up with a warm coat, hat and gloves. Hot soup will be

available, and there will be performers in the park.

Free hula hoop circus skills workshop will be held on Saturday, June 25 from 10.30am at the Alexandra Shire Hall. To register scan the bar code in this edition of the paper or call the council on 5772 0333.



## Call to end violence against women

WHITE Ribbon Australia is calling for support for community initiatives to end violence against women by donating to its end of financial year Tax Appeal Campaign before 30 June.

On average a man is responsible for the murder of his current or former female partner every 11 days.

White Ribbon Australia National Director Allan Ball said men's violence against women was an ongoing epidemic in Australia, but working together we really can change this grim statistic.

"Social norms that encourage disrespect, sexual harassment and abuse are drivers of men's violence against women. Being a little bit sexist isn't okay - not in the pub, on the sporting field, or in the family home," Mr Ball said.

"As a society we need to change these norms by supporting whole-of-population initiatives that

address beliefs about rigid gender stereotypes and power.

"Through our Community Engagement Programs, White Ribbon Australia is making real change in communities across Australia, helping locally-led initiatives to get off the ground and to get to work. These initiatives work because the groups understand community issues and the solutions required at a local level," he added.

Community Partner Penny Marangos believes that White Ribbon Australia's primary prevention work in communities is the key to addressing the drivers of violence against women.

"As a victim-survivor of gendered violence myself, being a Community Partner has been incredibly empowering," Ms Marangos said.

"It has enabled me to use the knowledge that

I've gained, as well as my personal experience, to go out into my community and start a narrative about the causes of gendered violence and how we can prevent that from happening in future."

End of financial year donations will enable White Ribbon Australia to form and support more Community Action Groups and Community Partners across Australia, allowing primary prevention initiatives to reach new communities.

To find out more, or to make a donation, visit: [whiteribbon.org.au/Get-Involved/Tax-Appeal-2022](http://whiteribbon.org.au/Get-Involved/Tax-Appeal-2022).

Women who are experiencing violence or abuse can call 1800RESPECT for confidential information, counselling and support. Men who are concerned that they may use violence are urged to call the Men's Referral Service on 1300 766 491.

## Bringing creativity to classrooms

ARTISTS and creative professionals have been called upon to bring inspiring learning experiences to classrooms across the state, with applications for the Creative Learning Partnerships program now open.

Celebrating its 40th anniversary this year, the program provides funding to Victorian schools to engage expert theatre makers, musicians, performers, animators and artists to work with students and teachers in a creative residency.

Open to all Victorian schools including government, independent and Catholic schools, the program brings unique learning experiences to students from prep to year 10.

Previous projects have seen artists work with students to create an animated movie about the history of their hometown, large scale puppetry bringing to life ancient ecosystems, projection art displayed on buildings in the local area, and a live game exploring the links and differences between the real and online world.

The program benefits students while upskilling teachers and expanding the knowledge of entire school communities, while providing significant professional opportunities for the participating artists.

Attracting celebrated Australian talent, past participants have included prized author Hazel Edwards, renowned Aboriginal singer and songwriter Kutcha Edwards, media personality Brian Nankervis and actor Daniela Farinacci.

Creative Learning Partnerships is Creative Victoria's longest running grants program with more than 1500 artists working at 1200 schools, bringing creativity to the forefront of learning for 70,000 students since 1982.

For more information, including eligibility and application requirements, visit [creative.vic.gov.au/grants-and-support](http://creative.vic.gov.au/grants-and-support). Applications close on Thursday, August 4.



## Increase to the minimum wage

MANY workers are looking forward to a pay rise that for most will become effective from July 1.

On Wednesday, June 15, the Fair Work Commission announced a 5.2 per cent increase to the minimum wage, bringing Australia's minimum wage up to \$21.38 per hour or \$812.60 per week, effectively an increase of \$40 per week.

Federal Member for Indi, Helen Haines welcomed the decision by the independent Fair Work Commission to increase the minimum wage, saying that the decision is vital in a time of high-inflation.

"With the cost of housing, fuel, energy bills and food all going up inflation has outpaced wages for some time and this puts a serious crunch on household budgets," Dr Haines said.

"Cost of living will still be a major issue for people across Indi and the Government must now take action to address other issues that are contributing to the budget pressure being felt, like addressing the energy crisis and housing affordability," she added.

According to Fair Work Commission president, Iain Ross, the most significant changes since last year's review decision have been the sharp increase in the cost of living and the strengthening of the labour market.

"At the aggregate level, labour market performance has been particularly strong. The unemployment rate has fallen to 3.9 per cent, compared to 5.5 per cent in April 2021, at the time of the last review. The improvement in the labour market is forecast to continue in the period ahead. There has also been a sharp rise in the cost of living since last year's review," Mr Ross said.

At the time of last year's decision, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and the underlying measure of inflation both stood at 1.1 per cent. Today those figures stand at 5.1 per cent for the CPI and 3.7 per cent for the underlying inflation rate.

However, the increase will be delayed until October 1 for certain industries, including aviation, tourism and hospitality, meaning workers in these sectors will face a three month wait.

Also the 5.2 per cent increase only benefits the minority of the millions of Australians on low wages, while the majority will get the more modest 4.6 per cent boost to modern award minimum rates.

According to the Fair Work Commission, 2,659,400 (23 per cent) of employees had their pay set by awards, while 805,200 award reliant employees were 'low paid'.

Australian Council of Social Services Acting Chief Executive Officer, Edwina MacDonald welcomed the increase.

"This increase recognises the particular challenges that workers on low incomes are facing with high inflation, with the lowest paid workers receiving an increase on par with increase in the cost of living over the past year," Ms MacDonald said.



On Monday, June 13, A motorcycle rider was involved in an accident on a farm at Limestone and was conveyed from the paddock to the Yea Ambulance depot by the Alexandra SES and then by ambulance to hospital. -S

## Australian of the Year nominations open

IT'S time to have your say in who will be the next Australian of the Year. Public nominations for the 2023 Australian of the Year Awards are open until July 31.

The Australian of the Year Awards rely on nominations from members of the public to find individuals who are contributing to the nation and who make us proud.

It only takes one nomination for someone to be considered for the awards, but a nomination must be submitted for a person to be in the running.

There are four categories in the awards: Australian of the Year, Senior Australian of the Year (aged 65 years and over), Young Australian of the Year (aged 16-30 years), and Australia's Local Hero.

National Australia Day Council CEO Ms Karlie Brand said nominating someone for the awards was a powerful way to share their story with the nation.

"Nominating a person for the awards brings their contributions or achievements to national attention. It elevates their personal story and allows others to appreciate what they've done," said Ms Brand.

"The Australian of the Year Awards program is based on people appreciating other people. Every announcement of an Australian of the Year started with someone submitting a nomination for them, so the person you nominate could very well be one of our next award recipients.

"Nominating is a very simple process which can be done online. While you don't need to know the individual personally, you do need to be able to tell us a little about what they've done and why they would be worthy of recognition."

Nominations must be for a living person (unfortunately posthumous awards cannot be granted), and they must be an Australian citizen.

When submitting your nomination, consider the selection criteria which includes an inspirational role model for the Australian community, demonstrated excellence in their field, and the Local Hero award acknowledges a significant contribution at local community level.

If you have difficulty speaking or understanding English call the

Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National) on 131 450 for the cost of a local call. TIS National operates nationally and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for over 160 languages and dialects.

The awards program culminates in the national awards presentation in January when four people are announced as Australian of the Year, Senior Australian of the Year, Young Australian of the Year and Australia's Local Hero.

However, the awards program recognises 128 people around the country each year through the state and territory awards process:

Nominate at [australianoftheyear.org.au](http://australianoftheyear.org.au) by July 31.

## Save on your bills

THE Victorian Government is helping drive down the energy costs of Victorians most in need with the bill busting \$250 Power Saving Bonus.

400,000 vulnerable Victorians have already applied for the \$250 Power Saving Bonus, totalling \$100 million in payments.

Eligible concession card holders have until July 1 to access the current Power Saving Bonus. People will need to visit the Victorian Energy Compare site to find a better deal, before they can apply for the new bonus payment.

User data shows that seven out of 10 users can save money by switching energy offers, with typical annual savings of \$330 in the first year of switching alone. Combined with the two Power Saving Bonuses, Victorian households could be up to \$830 better off.

Victorian households and businesses are also able to reduce their energy bill and usage thanks to the Victorian Energy Upgrades (VEU) program, providing both households and businesses with upfront incentives to switch to energy efficient.

Households are eligible for low-cost-to-free VEU products such as energy efficient lighting, door and window sealing, efficient hot water and heating systems, and in-home displays for real-time energy usage data.

In addition, the government's Solar Homes program offers households and businesses discounted solar panels, hot water, batteries and efficient heating and cooling.

Those finding it tough to pay energy bills may also be able to take advantage of the energy concessions program, utility relief grant scheme, Payment Difficulty Framework and Victorian Default Offer.

Victorians who do not have access to a computer or the internet can call the Victorian Energy Compare helpline on 1800 000 832 or receive support from a community outreach partners.

For more information on these programs, visit Victorian Energy Saver at [victorianenergysaver.vic.gov.au](http://victorianenergysaver.vic.gov.au)

# Jaclyn Symes MP

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## JOBS AT COUNCIL

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You will be a self-starter and ready to jump in and learn about what we do and how we work to support our communities. You will have excellent written and verbal communication skills and will have experience in leading a high-performing multi-disciplinary team.

If this sounds like you, and you are looking for a change, or your career is on an upward trajectory and you are looking to expand your skills, please apply now. Flexible work options available.

### Library Service Team Leader (Alexandra Branch)

Council is seeking a new Team Leader to lead Council's library service at its Alexandra Library. The successful applicant will lead and support staff and volunteers to provide a high-quality customer and library experience to the community. The role will actively engage with the community through the planning and delivery of library materials and programs.

### School Crossing Supervisors

Council is looking for School Crossing Supervisors in Alexandra, Eildon and Kinglake to ensure the safety of children and pedestrians crossing the road on their way to and from school. If you enjoy the outdoors and interacting with the public, being a School Crossing Supervisor might be for you.

For more information about these roles and to apply, please visit the 'jobs' section of our website or give us a call.

## TURNING THE PAGE - THE FUTURE OF OUR LIBRARIES

Council's Murrindindi Library Service would like to thank community members who shared ideas and provided their feedback to help shape our draft Library Strategy and Action Plan 2022-2026. We received 174 responses to our survey and some great ideas from the community.

We are currently reviewing your feedback and we'll share the draft Library Strategy and Action Plan with the community for further feedback in July. For more information about this project, visit [theloop.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/turning-page](http://theloop.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/turning-page)

### ALEXANDRA ROTARY PARK AND VISITOR ACTIVITY PRECINCT

We're pleased to announce that the Alexandra Rotary Park and Visitor Activity Precinct contract has been awarded, with construction set to commence later this month, weather permitting. Works are expected to take around six months to complete and will involve installation of new play equipment and footpaths, construction of a pump track and landscaping works. We'll try to keep noise and disruptions to a minimum, while ensuring we complete the project quickly and safely. During construction, Rotary Park and Hec Ingram Reserve will be closed to the public - we'll let you know ahead of time when that will occur.

This \$1.725 million project is possible due to the support from Sport and Recreation Victoria and Regional Development Victoria, which have contributed \$250,000 and \$800,000 respectively to supplement Council's \$675,000 investment. We're grateful for their vision and commitment to the redevelopment of the Alexandra Rotary Park and Visitor Activity Precinct.



### Get in touch with Council

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Holly. -S

## Winter is weed control time

WEEDS, according to screenwriter James L Brooks, are nature's graffiti. They are a problem on both private and public land, and their cost can be measured in lost productivity and their impact on the natural environment.

Because of the threat posed by weeds to the local eco system, we all have a responsibility to manage weeds on our properties.

There are a large number of plants in the Murrindindi Shire being declared as weeds under the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994 and are seen as a major problem due to their ability to compete with native and crop plants.

Chris Cobern, Landcare Facilitator and Project Officer with the Upper Goulburn Landcare Network, says that now is the time to control pasture weeds, including English broom and cape broom before they flower in late winter and early spring and set seed.

"Weeds like Chilean needle-grass is best treated in spring when you can identify it properly from the native spear grass. Blackberry, briar rose, willows, holly and honeysuckle all need to be actively growing so spring/summer is the best time for treating those weeds," Mr Cobern said.

Mr Cobern added there are three levels of noxious weeds in Murrindindi Shire; each with its own requirements for both public and private landholders.

"While winter means a halt to lawn care for a few months, but there's actually a lot that can be done in the garden. Killing weeds in winter can be the best time for active weed control. Because grass goes dormant in the winter, cool-weather broadleaf weeds can thrive," he said.

One option that many people use is to spot-treat these weeds with a weed killer but for those who prefer a non-chemical approach a good method for winter weed control is to apply a winter weed and feed fertilizer to help prevent a lawn weed infestation next winter.

Another prevention strategy that many of us do not consider is to think about what we plant in our home gardens. Is the latest

addition an attractive flower or an invasive plant? Some careful research today will prevent weed problems in the future.

To assist landholders in effective weed management the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority has produced an excellent booklet, *Weeds of the Goulburn Broken: A field guide to the terrestrial and aquatic weeds*. The booklet can be accessed at [gbcma.vic.gov.au/downloads](http://gbcma.vic.gov.au/downloads)

Murrindindi Shire Council has also produced a brochure, *Invasive Plants in your Patch*, to help landholders identify invasive weeds that may be growing in and around their property. A copy can be downloaded from council's website.

Residents can control the spread of weeds by becoming more aware of invasive plants in the garden and maintaining regular weed control techniques such as spraying, slashing, grazing or manual pulling.

For the home gardener there are some simple ways of controlling weeds including stopping them from germinating with cornmeal but take care when you spread it as cornmeal will stop any type of seed from germinating.

Another method is to restrict the room weeds need to grow with the use of weed suppressive ground covers. Also try scalding weeds with boiling water or starving them of light and nutrients by spreading mulch.

Then there is the traditional method of pulling them out by hand. While this may take more time and can be tiring, pulling weeds out by hand can help with avoiding the transfer of seeds to elsewhere within the garden. A good pair of gloves and a garden claw or sharp trowel are the ideal pieces of equipment. Get nice and deep into the soil to retrieve the weed completely by its root to prevent it from growing back.

Under the Catchment and Land Protection Act, councils and organisations like VicRoads are required to manage regionally prohibited and controlled weeds on their respective roadsides. When looking at both left and right hand sides of local roads, Murrindindi Shire Council has over 2000 km of roadside reserves to control.



Blackberry. -S

# School set to start earlier than ever

THE state government will deliver a largescale overhaul of early childhood education and care, with a \$9 billion investment over the next decade to save families money and to support women returning to the workforce.

The typical household is spending up to 20 per cent of their income to cover these ever increasing costs of childcare are just stifling family budgets.

The childcare system is not supporting working families. More dads are staying at home with the kids than ever before, ultimately, it's still mums who do the lion's share of childcare. Having mothers stay home because of the current system is bad for the state as the economy lacks these women's skills and experience. Lack of access to childcare takes almost 26,600 women entirely out of the workforce in Victoria and costs the economy \$1.5 billion per year in lost earnings alone.

When federal childcare subsidies go down as household income goes up, it

makes many families conclude that taking on extra work just doesn't add up when you must pay higher childcare fees. Being a stay at home parent is a legitimate choice as a family decides but it should never be based because of the current childcare system.

The Victorian Government announced that it will expand the Best Start, Best Life program with three major new initiatives being making kinder free across the state, delivering a new year of universal pre-prep for four year olds and establishing 50 government operated childcare centres.

From 2023, any family with a three or four year old will pay nothing for kinder which is a saving of up to \$2500 per child every year.

Three year old kinder is already rolling out across the state, expanding universal access to 15 hours of government funded kinder every week and from next year, it will be free.

Four year old kinder will also be free, providing much needed relief for family

budgets and giving more women a choice to return to the workforce.

With 90 per cent of a child's brain developing before the age of five, early education has a profound effect on the way children develop. Over the next decade, four year old kinder will transition to pre-prep which will increase to a universal 30 hour a week program of play-based learning for every four year old child in Victoria. Pre-prep will be delivered through kinder and long day care centres, creating a high quality, universal program to give four year old kids the opportunity to socialise and learn through play.

It's not just childcare costs that are holding back women and their families. Childcare is difficult to access with some families signing up on waitlists as soon as they find out they're pregnant.

The federal government is introducing better childcare subsidies for families that taper off less drastically as household income increases. In conjunction with the

proposed changes, and to help address the current shortage of available childcare places, the Victorian Government will establish 50 government owned and affordable integrated childcare centres in areas to deliver childcare, kinder and pre-prep. The first of these centres will open from 2025.

The aim is to have the centres be located along with schools to avoid the double drop off, and alongside hospitals, TAFEs and major employers to create convenient access for working parents.

Not every parent has a Monday to Friday, nine to five jobs. Hospitality and healthcare will have more options now with extended childcare centre hours and weekend availabilities to support these needs. Having these centres will make it easier for families to access childcare and with low fees, they'll also make it more affordable meaning it's easier for women to return to work when and however much they want to.

## New laws commence to protect LGBTIQ+ Victorians

NEW laws to better protect LGBTIQ+ Victorians from discrimination at work and in school came into effect on Tuesday, June 14.

The Equal Opportunity (Religious Exceptions) Amendment Act 2021 was passed by the Government on December 3, 2021 as part of the ongoing work to make Victoria fairer for all.

Now that the laws are in place, religious organisations and schools will no longer be able to sack or refuse to hire people based on protected attributes such as sexuality, gender identity or marital status.

Religious organisations and schools will only be able to make employment decisions based on an employee's religious beliefs where these are inherent to the job such as a religious studies teacher,

and the discrimination is reasonable and proportionate in the circumstances.

The bill recognises the rights of religious organisations and schools to continue to practice their faith, provide religious teaching and instill their religious ethos within their organisation. The legislation will not impact how religious bodies can select priests, ministers, religious leaders or their members.

The Victorian Government consulted extensively with LGBTIQ+ groups, education peak bodies, faith leaders and faith-based groups in drafting the legislation to ensure the act meets the needs of communities, respects the independence of religious bodies and strikes a fair balance.

Further provisions of the act will commence in December 2022. These

include ensuring that religious organisations that receive government funding to provide services will not be able to refuse to provide them to people based on protected attributes.

Attorney-General Jaclyn Symes said, "These laws have been a long time coming and it's been a painful journey for our LGBTIQ+ community to achieve these changes."

"These reforms respect the independence of religious bodies while reducing critical gaps in protections against discrimination."

Minister for Equality Martin Foley added, "Equality is not negotiable in Victoria. These changes show how important it is to continue backing the rights of the LGBTIQ+ community in all aspects of life."

## New weather station for Glenburn

THE CFA has unveiled 10 new automated weather stations which will improve firefighter and community safety at incidents and planned burns with hyper-localised weather data, fire spread predictions and community warnings.

Acting Chief Officer Garry Cook joined Emergency Services Minister Jaclyn Symes at the Heathcote Fire station to trial the new equipment.

Seven of the weather stations are portable, and three will be located permanently at Ballan, East Trentham and Glenburn.

The Portable Automated Weather Stations (PAWS) are standalone units which measure surrounding weather and transmit the data to CFA and the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM).

The portable units can be set up in 15 minutes and can record parameters including temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and direction, rain, solar radiation and more.

The data is transmitted remotely using either 4G or satellite iridium technology.

The Remote Automated Weather Stations (RAWS) are permanently installed units which are used extensively in fire management across the US, Canada and many states of Australia.

CFA Acting Chief Officer Garry Cook said



One of the new weather stations, set up in Ballan. -S

the additional weather intelligence will be invaluable to firefighters for not only their safety but also in fire response and preparation.

"Fire is a true force of nature and its behaviour can change in an instant, putting lives and property at risk," A/CO Cook said. "Accurate, localised and up-to-the-minute weather information on a fireground is critical to providing an effective emergency response."

"These portable stations will be used in remote regions where there are no permanent weather stations to provide reliable and accurate weather data."

"The stations will help firefighters understand fire behaviour on the ground during a fire incident, or by measuring the weather conditions of

an area in the lead up to and during planned burn events.

"They have a huge potential to improve our planning and responses, thereby improving firefighter and community safety as well."

The weather stations can also transmit data via satellite to the Bureau of Meteorology which is then accessible to CFA, partner agencies and the general public on the Bureau's website under the Victorian Observations Page Portable section.

An investment of \$680,000 for the ten weather stations and their maintenance was funded from a Victorian Government grant in response to the IGEM 2019-20 Phase 1 bushfire inquiry into the 2019-20 Victorian Fire season.

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### What do you need?

A current drivers licence is essential

Be able to multi task and work as a team member, and take instruction and direction from management

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Strong customer service focus, great interpersonal and communication skills and strong work ethic

Be able to start at 6.45am on Wednesday with 3pm finish.

### How to apply.

To be considered for this position submit your resume and cover letter to [manager@alexandranewspapers.com.au](mailto:manager@alexandranewspapers.com.au) by close of business July 1, 2022.

*Only applicants who are Australian residents or hold a relevant visa are eligible to apply.*

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**The Yea Chronicle**



## Welder Fabricator/ Sheet metal worker

The successful applicant will be tasked with folding, fabricating and welding aluminium/ steel trays and aluminium canopies.

Experience welding aluminium with AC TIG and Pulse MIG is not essential. Training will be provided for the right candidate.

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For any further information or questions please call 0427 937 404



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- \* Position to begin August 15 for 5 weeks then 5 weeks from October 10, 2022

Enquiries to Nigel Lyttle  
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Applications close July 15, 2022



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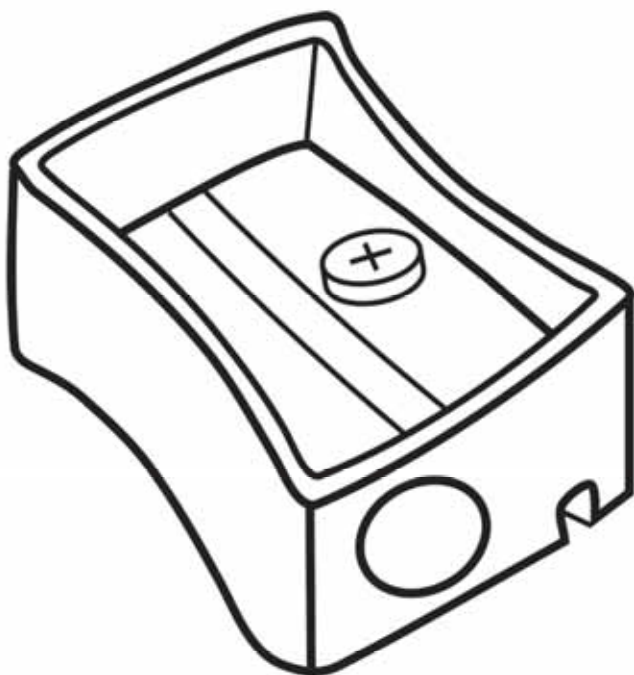


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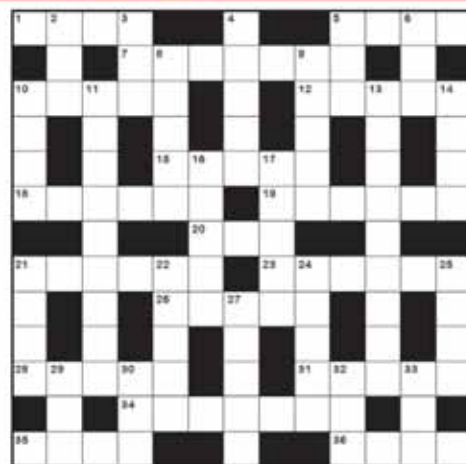
## Crossword

### ACROSS

- Cook slowly and for a long time in liquid.
- Capable of acting or moving quickly.
- Pacify an enemy by granting concessions.
- Something additional of the same kind.
- Pinkish-brown smooth nut with an oily kernel.
- A sudden substantial increase in power.
- A term of endearment for a small child.
- The food served and eaten at one time.
- Beverage made by steeping leaves in water.
- Mentally slow or emotionally insensitive.
- Left without an occupant or any incumbent.
- Woody plants with branches and leaves.
- Melodic subject of a musical composition.
- Musical compositions for two performers.
- Someone chosen to judge a dispute.
- Most suitable for a particular purpose.
- Information about specific and timely events.

### DOWN

- Compulsory payments to the State revenue.
- Waging armed conflict against an enemy.
- A rise in the temperature of the body.
- A fixed charge for professional services.



- A resort with a curative mineral spring.
- Temporarily interrupt an activity for a time.
- An extravagant indulgence of your desires.
- A set of questions that evaluate a skill.
- A corrupt, depraved or degenerate practice.
- Authorisation or permission to come and go.
- The one following after in time or order.
- Express audibly, not necessarily in words.
- A place for the burial of a dead body.
- Prevent from being included or considered.
- Direct one's course in a specified direction.
- Something that departs from the subject.
- Objects made for children to play with.
- A system of moral values and principles.
- A particular shade or gradation of colour.
- A flat pad used to wipe shoes at the door.
- A large vase with a pedestal or feet.
- Pull a broken down car to the mechanic.

## Word Search – Intergalactic Planetary

H	Y	I	S	M	F	V	U	R	A	N	U	S	P	C	Mars
C	P	R	O	A	E	F	W	N	C	V	O	J	L	G	Venus
T	E	O	U	N	G	N	S	R	E	O	F	K	U	X	Earth
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S	G	N	I	R	V	N	M	P	S	D	U	Q	N	C	Uranus
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G	L	A	H	N	R	R	X	A	Z	S	Y	B	T	O	Rings
X	S	C	Z	K	N	L	X	D	B	O	C	X	F	O	Gas
E	N	S	G	Q	R	B	W	R	B	X	N	P	C	F	Sun
R	N	K	M	D	N	U	N	E	T	Y	U	B	N	R	Stars
K	I	O	A	Z	Z	J	G	L	I	I	G	H	L	X	Meteor

## Word Search – Grains

F	Q	J	K	X	G	T	D	N	S	O	E	E	M	E	Oats
Y	F	W	P	D	W	D	L	E	G	M	A	U	U	L	Wheat
D	O	E	E	H	W	G	E	E	X	X	H	T	Y	A	Rye
V	D	P	T	V	H	Y	N	S	P	G	N	R	S	C	Barley
I	Y	O	J	N	E	Y	Q	S	R	S	S	T	F	I	Spelt
W	F	I	W	U	A	O	N	U	F	Q	M	M	P	T	Quinoa
A	A	A	K	M	T	R	O	T	H	S	D	Q	O	I	Sorghum
Q	M	R	U	R	Y	S	D	U	Q	O	I	B	A	R	Buckwheat
A	I	A	O	E	B	U	C	K	W	H	E	A	T	T	Amaranth
O	L	H	R	W	A	J	T	X	R	R	M	W	E	Y	Millet
N	L	U	R	A	Y	E	L	R	A	B	E	C	I	R	Corn
I	E	N	B	K	N	P	D	Q	Z	W	C	H	B	A	Rice
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## Jokes

- Q:** What do you call a belt made of watches?  
**A:** Which knight invented King Arthur's Round Table?



## Sudoku

### Instructions

Fill in the boxes using the numbers 1 to 4. Every row and column and every group of 4 boxes inside the thicker lines must contain each number only once.

		4	
1			
			2
	2		

## Brain Teaser

A farmer has 17 sheep and all but nine die. How many are left?



## Number Block

Fill in the missing numbers

The missing numbers are integers between 0 and 7. The numbers in each row add up to totals to the right. The numbers in each column add up to the totals along the bottom. The diagonal lines also add up the totals to the right.

			5	18	
				11	
			2	9	
				12	
				16	
12	5	13	16	20	20

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC MEETING MOLESWORTH PUBLIC HALL RESERVE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Notice is given of a Public Meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 commencing at 7.30pm at the Molesworth Public Hall. The Purpose of the meeting is to nominate no less than (3) and no more than (9) persons as the Committee of Management for the Molesworth Public Hall Reserve for a term of three years. The current committee's term will expire on August 9, 2022. All positions will be declared open. Nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night. Nomination from women, Aboriginal people, people with disabilities, young people and people from diverse backgrounds are encouraged. Further information, nomination forms and nominee declaration forms may be obtained by contacting your local Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning office or at the meeting. For further enquiries please contact the Secretary, Andy Russell on 5797 6337 or 0428 976 337.

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This program, includes a six-month rotation at Eastern Health (EH) in a general nursing rotation, and a six-month rotation at ADH in the acute services department, working on the general medical/surgical ward and urgent care centre, with opportunities to experience discovery days in perioperative services & primary health. This pathway provides understanding and appreciation for the rewards and challenges of working in a rural health service as well as a metropolitan health service. Both EH and ADH have tailored support available during each rotation to assist graduates in their transition to both clinical settings.

For eligibility / application information or to apply visit [adh.org.au/current-vacancies](http://adh.org.au/current-vacancies).

If you would like more information on our graduate nurse program please contact Natasha Bowater, Manager Training and Development on [Natasha.Bowater@adh.org.au](mailto:Natasha.Bowater@adh.org.au) or phone 5772 0888.

## DEATH NOTICES

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*This is not a work from home role*

**What is the job?**

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**What do you need?**

A current drivers licence is essential

Be able to multi task and work as a team member, and take instruction and direction from management. Fabulous ideas and be able to use initiative and have excellent organisational skills.

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To be considered for this position submit your resume and cover letter to [manager@alexandranewspapers.com.au](mailto:manager@alexandranewspapers.com.au) by close of business July 1, 2022.

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## Bowel cancer on the rise

AUSTRALIAN and international research reveals bowel cancer rates in under 50s has increased considerably over the past three decades.

A recent Australian study involving 28,566 patients between 1990 and 2017, found a disturbing trend in the incidence of young-onset gastrointestinal adenocarcinoma which mirrored international data. The researchers noted the change in incidence rates in younger individuals greatest for bowel cancer and more pronounced in males compared to females.

A 2022 Lancet study noted incidence rates in those younger than 50 years required vigilance from researchers, clinicians and policy makers and a possible reconsideration of screening guidelines.

According to Julien Wiggins, Bowel Cancer Australia CEO, if young-onset bowel cancer is rising in Australia and around the world without an obvious cause, then the approach to screening should be modified.

"All major US guidelines now endorse average-risk bowel cancer screening from age 45, yet Australian guidelines continue to lag, despite screening proven to be cost-effective from this age," Mr Wiggins said.

Researchers found that starting endoscopy in younger women between ages 45-49 lowered the risk of bowel cancer by 57 per cent compared with those who did not receive an endoscopy. They also had a lower risk of bowel cancer when compared to those who started just five years later.

Further research from Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology showed similar advanced adenoma detection rates at first-time screening colonoscopy for the 45-49 and 50-54 age groups.

Bowel Cancer Australia spokesperson, gastroenterologist associate professor John Ding said that screening is the process of looking for cancer or pre-cancer in healthy people, those with no symptoms of the disease.

"With regular screening, most polyps can be found and removed before they have the chance to turn into cancer, and cancers are detected earlier when they are easier to treat. While specific causes underlying the increase in young-onset bowel cancer cases remain elusive, there may be an overlap with older-onset risk factors, including a Western-style diet, which can alter the gut microbiome, as well as obesity and physical inactivity," he said.

"Delayed diagnosis in younger patients and advanced disease upon presentation, underscores the need for greater awareness of bowel cancer in younger people and health professionals," Dr Ding added.

In Australia, over 15,000 people are diagnosed with bowel cancer each year, 1542 of whom are aged under 50. Bowel cancer is the deadliest cancer and the fifth leading cause of death overall for Australians aged 25 to 44.

## Victorian medicinal cannabis facility reaps what it sows

A MILDURA medical cannabis factory is expected to complete its first harvest this month. The cultivation and processing facility is valued at \$115 million, and is expected to employ 40 people by the end of the year.

The site, a former fruit juice factory, has the capacity to produce 70,000 kilograms of dried cannabis, which will then be used to create capsules and oil.

The site includes an automated glasshouse, a testing facility, laboratory and rooms for cultivation.

Cann Group is the business behind the operation, and they are expecting to make their products available both nationally and internationally through pharmaceutical channels.

Their first batch was not as large as will occur in the future, and although they had some challenges, chief operating officer Shane Duncan told the ABC that he was "really happy" with the first batch.

The early batches will be small so that they can ensure that everything is set at the right levels, including lighting, temperature, humidity and fertilisers.

They expect to start ramping up production in July or August.

Cann Group has a manufacturing licence from the Therapeutic Goods Administration.

In Victoria, a medical practitioner can prescribe a medicinal cannabis product if they believe that it is appropriate clinically, and if they have obtained the required state and or commonwealth approvals.

Medicinal cannabis can only be legally accessed through your doctor. Growing your own cannabis, or smoking illicit cannabis for medicinal purposes remains illegal in Victoria.

## Grants for sports uniforms and equipment

THE Victorian Government is helping community sporting clubs win with grants for new uniforms and equipment, training, and club development.

Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence announced applications are now open for the latest round of the Sporting Club Grants Program.

Clubs can apply for grants of up to \$1000 for new uniforms and equipment, up to \$5000 for training coaches, officials and volunteers, and up to \$5000 to better club operations.

The program is part of the government's work to make community sport accessible

and inclusive, stimulate local economies and create opportunities for greater participation.

This round of the program is complemented by the Community Sport Sector COVID-19 Survival Package that provided \$50 million to more than 7500 clubs, leagues, state associations and other organisations across the sector.

The grants are part of the Government's \$1.2 billion investment in community sport and recreation infrastructure since 2014.

For more information and to apply for Sporting Club Grants Program visit [sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding](http://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding)

## Stay safe on the water during the school holidays

WITH school holidays approaching, Goulburn-Murray Water (GMW) is reminding people visiting its lakes dams and reservoirs to be safe on the water.

GMW Water Storage Services general manager Martina Cusack encouraged people to make safety a priority during the holidays.

"Most our storages are at very healthy levels, so we're expecting a lot of visitors in the coming weeks," she said.

"We want everyone to have fun, but most of all we want everyone to return home safely.

"Boat operators should always wear personal flotation devices and maintain a lookout for hazards and other users at all times. Conditions can change quickly, so stay up-to-date with weather reports when heading out."

For boaters, several simple steps can significantly improve their safety. Observe water levels and the potential for submerged hazards. If in doubt, slow to five knots or less. Seek out local knowledge on conditions and hazards. Maintain a good lookout. Ensure the motor kill switch is attached to the driver. Take note of signage at boat ramps. Ensure the vessel is equipped with the required safety equipment and that it is in good working condition and easily accessible. Remember alcohol and water do not mix. Don't drink alcohol on the water. Don't overload the vessel.

Visitors are encouraged read the recreation guides at [g-mwater.com.au/recreation/tourism/recreation-guides](http://g-mwater.com.au/recreation/tourism/recreation-guides) and visit the website to find out what activities are permitted so they can plan their trip accordingly.

Further information on boating safety in Victoria go to [transportsafety.vic.gov.au](http://transportsafety.vic.gov.au)

## Bond system change for renters

THE Victorian Government is making it easier for renters to reclaim their bond money with an overhaul of the Residential Tenancies Bond Authority (RTBA) online system.

The \$9 million upgrade for the new system will include an important update to allow renters to pay their bond money directly to the RTBA, giving them peace of mind that their money is held securely.

Currently, renters must submit their bond to their rental provider or real estate agent, meaning the responsibility of lodging the bond sits largely with the rental provider. Giving renters the option to submit their bond directly will simplify the process and cut red tape for renters, rental providers and property managers.

The government has engaged local business 8Squad to work with the Department of Justice and Community safety on the website upgrade.

The online system will also be integrated with Service Victoria identity verification and seamlessly process bond repayments and bond loans.

Verifying users online means they can change their bond details and claim their bonds without the need for paper forms and signatures.

Integration with the systems used by real estate agents will also make the bond process easier for these businesses, allowing for faster lodgements, transfers and claims.

Updating to a more modern system will also result in long-term financial benefits, with savings of \$3.5 million a year in operational costs over five years.

The new website and system will also be easier to access on mobile devices and have more payment options, making the process of lodging, transferring or claiming a bond simpler for everyone.

Reforms introduced in March 2021 mean renters can now apply directly to the RTBA to have all or part of their bond released without needing to wait for the rental provider or agent to lodge their bond claim.

This means renters are able to make a claim for their bond claim without their rental provider's agreement. Once this occurs, the RTBA alerts the rental provider and other co-renters to the renter's claim, giving them 14 days to dispute it.

Nearly 15,000 bond claims have been initiated by a renter since this new law came in, with more than half paid out directly to the renter.

Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation Melissa Horne said, "We know that dealing with rental bonds can be challenging and inconvenient. We're fixing that to make the process better for everyone involved.

"These important changes are another way we're making renting fairer and easier for all Victorians."

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# Facial recognition discovery for major retailers

CONSUMER advocacy group Choice has discovered major retail groups Bunnings, Kmart and The Good Guys capturing faces of their customers by analysing CCTV footage to create individual profiles without their knowledge or consent.

Choice asked 25 leading Australian retailers whether they used the technology and explored their privacy principles. They found that, "Based on the policies and the responses we received, Kmart, Bunnings and The Good Guys appear to be the only three that are capturing the biometric data of their customers."

Choice surveyed consumers about the use of facial technology in stores and found,

"Most survey respondents (83 per cent) say retail stores should be required to inform customers about the use of facial recognition before they enter the store, and 78 per cent expressed concern about the secure storage of fingerprint data. Nearly two thirds of respondents (65 per cent) are concerned about stores using the technology to create profiles of customers that could cause them harm."

Bunnings chief operating officer Simon McDowell told Choice, "At selected stores our CCTV systems utilise facial recognition technology, which is used to help identify persons of interest who have previously

been involved in incidents of concern in our stores."

He added that they let people know about the use of the technology through signage, and in their privacy policy which is located on their website. He said that the use of the technology is in the interests of maintaining "a safe and secure environment for our team and customers."

Kate Bower from Choice believes that the Privacy Act considers biometric information such as fingerprints sensitive data.

The federal Attorney General is currently undertaking a five year review of the Privacy Act.



## Landcare grants for juniors

LANDCARE Australia and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) are partnering for a fifth year for the 2022 Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grants.

Victorian schools, kindergartens, child-care centres, Scouts, Girl Guides, youth and Junior Landcare groups are invited to apply for grants that provide up to \$5000 for projects focused on Victoria's biodiversity. The grants provide funding of up to \$450,000.

Delivered through Landcare Australia's Junior Landcare program, the grants provide young people with the opportunity to engage in biodiversity focused outdoor, hands-on projects or learning activities that provide both environmental and educational outcomes, as well as health and social benefits.

The grants also contribute to the targets of *Protecting Victoria's Environment - Biodiversity 2037*, the Victorian Government's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment.

"The Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grants play a vital role in empowering young people to take meaningful action for the safe future of their environment," Dr Shane Norrish, Landcare Australia CEO said.

"Through their projects, children are able to develop skills, share knowledge, create experiences and foster connections with place and community."

Project ideas include giving young Victorians the opportunity to get their hands dirty planting an indigenous garden to create habitat for native birds and insects, working in collaboration with a local Landcare group, Biodiversity focused excursions or excursions, and citizen science projects are also eligible.

Since the Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grants were first introduced in 2018, 461 projects have received \$1.68 million in funding from the program.

Grant applications close on Tuesday, August 9. For more information or to apply for a grant, visit [juniorlandcare.org.au/grant/2022-victorian-junior-landcare-and-biodiversity-grants/](http://juniorlandcare.org.au/grant/2022-victorian-junior-landcare-and-biodiversity-grants/)

## GMA pleased with duck season compliance



DURING the 2022 duck season, Game Management Authority (GMA) authorised officers undertook over 641 patrols at 216 individual wetlands across Victoria. They checked more than 1200 game licences and 970 hunter bags.

Most hunters they spoke to were complying with the law and enjoying their time on the wetlands. However, some hunters and protestors were in breach of game hunting and public safety laws.

Breaches detected throughout the season included failure to comply with the season arrangements, hunting without a game licence, entering a wetland without authorisation, littering, possession of toxic shot and one hunter was found to have exceeded the daily bag limit.

As a result, the GMA will have issued 22 infringement notices and is currently conducting 18 investigations. A total of 38 breaches were detected throughout the 2022 duck season.

Three hunters are set to have their Game Licences cancelled for being in possession of toxic shot on a wetland during the season. A total of six firearms related offences were also detected and referred to Victoria Police.

GMA Chief Executive Officer Graeme Ford said the GMA has increased its use of intelligence and its visible enforcement presence to regulate duck hunting in Victoria.

"We have more authorised officers on the ground than ever before, engaging with hunters and communities through education, research and enforcement activities," Mr Ford said.

"The GMA has invested in technology upgrades including equipping all authorised officers with body worn cameras and using drones to monitor wetlands.

"While some people breached game hunting and public safety laws, most people we spoke to were compliant. Thank you to everyone who acted safely and responsibly during the 2022 duck season."

The GMA works in partnership with Victoria Police, the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), the Department of Jobs Precincts and Regions (DJPR), Victorian Fisheries Authority and Parks Victoria to regulate the duck season.

## The health of the Goulburn River

THE Victorian Government is aiming to protect the long-term health of the lower Goulburn River while supporting irrigators' access to water when they need it.

Minister for Water Lisa Neville has announced new permanent trade and operating rules for the Goulburn to Murray, keeping flows lower over summer and autumn, while not increasing delivery risk for irrigators.

Over recent years, there has been increased pressure on the Murray River and Goulburn River to deliver trade and environmental water, which has led to constant high flows in the Goulburn during summer. These high flows prevent vegetation growth and fish breeding and cause erosion and bank degradation.

Two extreme dry years from 2017 to 2019 saw no trade available from the Murrumbidgee system in New South Wales and no in-flows from the Darling, pushing up demand from the Goulburn River to new levels, causing continuous high flows.

Interim trade rules were put in place for the Goulburn River in 2019 and were extended last year. Over the past 12 months, further testing has been conducted and consultation with scientists, river operators, Traditional Owners, environmental waterway managers, irrigators and the community to settle on rules for the long term.

From July 1, the government will be replacing the interim rules with similar long-term trade and operating rules.

In an average year, new trade opportunity will be around 150 gigitalitres, an increase from 130 gigitalitres under the interim rule, while still allowing for extended low flows in summer. This is a similar amount of trade to 2020, and more than seen last year.

Water will be delivered in a smarter, more sustainable way that respects the environmental, cultural and community values. Getting the trade rules right for the Goulburn River is part of the important work the Victorian Government has done to protect existing entitlement holders from increasing delivery risks in the Murray River.

This includes working through the Murray Darling Basin Ministerial Council on deliverability issues and limiting any new extractions in the Victorian Lower Murray region.

The permanent rules include an exemption for tagged water use restrictions for the Lower Broken Creek while trade and water use behaviours on the Lower Broken Creek are monitored over the next four years.

Minister for Water Lisa Neville said, "We are making sure the lower Goulburn River is managed to protect its environmental health and its recreational, community and cultural values while protecting irrigators' access to water."

"The new rules will support irrigators by providing sustainable trade opportunities without impacting other water users or damaging the environment."

## Nominations open for Senior of the Year Awards

THE Victorian Government is encouraging Victorians to recognise and celebrate the community contributions made by seniors by nominating them for Victorian Senior of the Year.

For more than 20 years, the awards have highlighted the role of seniors who inspire others as mentors, educators, role models, leaders, as well as their impact in supporting diverse causes and communities across the state.

Victorians are this year being encouraged to nominate residents aged 60 and above and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Victorians aged 50 years and above.

Categories for the nominations include: Premier's Award for Victorian Senior of the Year for outstanding achievement; Promotion of Multiculturalism Award for promoting the benefits of cultural diversity; Healthy and Active Living Award for helping to create active and healthy communities; Veteran Community Award for exceptional contribution to the veteran community, open to all who work with the veteran community (not only veterans themselves); Ageing Well Award for combatting ageism and promoting ageing well initiatives; and Council on the Ageing (COTA) Victoria Senior Achiever Awards for significant contribution to local communities and Victoria.

Many award recipients last year were nominated for stepping up to support the community during the pandemic.

Anne Tudor OAM from Black Hill won the 2021 Victorian Senior of the Year Award for her dedication to increasing dementia awareness and promoting inclusion and empathy in the community.

Nominations for the Victorian Senior of the Year Awards close on Friday, July 29.

The ceremony will be held in October to coincide with the annual Victorian Seniors Festival. All nominees will also receive certificates recognising their contributions.

For more information or to make a nomination, visit [seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/awards](http://seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/awards)

## SPORT

# The big weekend at Alexandra Speedway with the annual 100 lap derby

by Dean Thompson

THE annual 100-lap Derby weekend at Alexandra Speedway after a Queens Birthday weekend wash out, is once again upon us with more than 90 competitors and over 1500 campers and spectators set to head into town for the end of season event.

The 100 Lap Derby with a variety of different types of race cars competing all in is the big event as it has been for more than forty years. The line-up once again has a long list of potential winners that have to survive each other, have the right strategy, and always have the right amount of fuel to get to the end first.

As usual the event brings thousands of people to Alexandra and the local businesses and attractions can benefit whilst it is also the end of season for the sport and an opportunity for the competitors to have a good time.

A winner can expect a \$2500 pay day and this makes the event one of the most sought after wins each year.

Seventy plus race drivers, at the time of writing, were set to start the qualifying for the 100 Lap Derby with some of the potential winners including Damien Miller the fastest Sports Sedan racer ever at the track, Darren Nelson, Corey Lincoln, and Lennie Bonnici the defending champion who has won the last four Derby's. With Warrick Taylor, Steve Kershaw, Dale Smith, Luke Fallon a four time winner also, Josh Service, Lee Beach, Daniel Scott, Tony Moule, Jamie Lock, Shane O'Brien, and David Donegan amongst others expected to be a potential winner.

This will be the first time in 25 months that the event will take place after COVID-19 restrictions contributed to the last two events being cancelled.

Standard Saloon competitors will compete in the Alexandra Cup event with 25 nominations included. Mark



Josh Service in car 84. Josh is an Alexandra member from the eastern suburbs. -S

Miles has won around seven of these Queen's Birthday weekend Standard Saloon features and he is in the field up against Shane Stewart, Leigh Gooding, Jack Yeoman's, Brodie Ardley, Andrew Miles, Rhys Lansdown, Tracey Ingram, popular Alexandra racer Cory Horter, and Damon and Kacey Ingram.

The Junior Sedan Victorian Short Circuit Championship line-up for up to 1500cc sedans includes Nathan Miles, River and Linken Paterson, Jayden Bryant, Jack Randall and Will Fallon in the field with the winner likely to come from amongst them.

Racing starts from 11am on Saturday and Sunday and finishes early in the afternoon. There will be a Kid's Bike race during the weekend also.



Damien Miller, an Alexandra member from Pakenham. -S

## Mansfield Clay Target

by Marty McLachlan

COMPETITION kicked off at 10.30am with a field of 34 shooters, making up six squads participating in the annual Highland Shield Teams event, Mansfield versus Euroa versus Alexandra. Conditions were ideal with mild sunny weather and no wind.

The four event card commenced with 10 Target Points Score eye opener followed by 30 Target Point score, 30 Target Double Barrel and finally a 20 Target Handicap. Participating visiting shooters attended from Melbourne, Woods Point, Benalla, Wangaratta, Corowa, Yarrawonga, Colbinabbin, Euroa and Alexandra.

Events three and four were combined over five team members representing each club to compete for the Highland shield. Mansfield fielded two squads Alexandra and Euroa one each.

Event one was an eye opener cash divide with lots of perfect scores of 30/30 shot across all grades, in the money were AA grade; Andrew Cameron (Melbourne Cricket Club) and Bill Forrest (Mansfield). A grade; Laurie Fitzpatrick (Euroa), Geoff McLure (Alexandra), Marty McLachlan (Mansfield). B Grade;

Phil Woods (Yarrawonga) and Al Kidd (Mansfield). C Grade; Kim Thompson (Colbinabbin).

This lead straight into the point Score double barrel event, also a cash divide, but this time with only one clear winner per grade. AA Grade; Andrew Fiek (MCC). A Grade; Phillip Desmond (Mansfield). B Grade; Jason Foster (Mansfield). C Grade; Stephen Wilson (Mansfield).

After a quick warming lunch of pastries and hot dogs it was into the 30 Target Double Barrel with some outstanding shooting resulting in a shoot-off between 6 competitors who returned a perfect score. A further 31 targets were shot by Darryl Hunt (Yarrawonga) and Marty McLachlan (Mansfield) to decide a result with Darryl Victorious. Grade winners were 2nd AA; Andrew Cameron 57/58. A Grade; Marty McLachlan 60/61 and Ken Skinner 36/37. B Grade; Jason Foster 33/34 and John King 37/38. C grade; Stephen Wilson 29/30 and David Luelf 30/33.

A delicious afternoon tea was supplied by Ivy Desmond comprising nut Loaf and scones, a big thanks to you Ivy. (She has been invited back whenever she chooses).

The day was rounded up with the 20 Target Handicap. Meterage



The Mansfield Clay Target Club competition. -S

for each shooter determined by their handicap mark. Marty McLachlan was lucky enough to be the only shooter across the line with a perfect score and Darryl Hunt the only shooter with 19/20. A further seven competitors hit 18 targets requiring a shoot-off for third, after seven more targets the last man standing was Michael Cecchetto (MCC).

The total score contributing to the outcome of the Highland Shield was tallied from 5 competitors in each squad. The Mansfield team

made up of Bill Forrest, Marty McLachlan, Phillip Desmond, David Luelf and Ken Skinner took the shield over the other three squads with a score of 224 out of a possible 250.

It was a fun day blessed with great weather throughout with all attendees refereeing and generally helping out to ensure a successful day.

The competition was generously sponsored by Shane Callahan of Callahan Seed.

Mansfield Clay Target Gun hosts competitions the third Sunday of each month; the next monthly program scheduled for Sunday, July 17, at 10.30am. Spectators and new shooters welcome. Grounds located Pikes Road, Mansfield.

The club is very family focused with lunch provided, junior shoots sponsored by the club with all fees waved for all competitions. If you are interested in attending just turn up or phone 0490 702 083.

# Mixed results for Yea juniors

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The Tigers pressed forward again to run the ball through for another point, again just missing. Archie was strong defending the ball in the Tigers forward line, keeping possession and kicking a further two points. Fynn maintained his strong form, tapping out in ruck contests and gaining possessions to move the ball forward to score yet another point, with these near misses costing the Tigers some much needed goals.

The pressure by both teams to move the ball into their respective forward lines was impressive, with Alexandra kicking accurately to score a goal.

Archie took a strong mark and Ollie dodged and weaved around several opposition players in the forward line, but was unable to capitalise, just missing the goals to score a point. Alexandra moved the ball into their forward line to score a great goal.

Izzy earned a great free kick in the forward line but was too far out to score. Austin worked hard to get the ball, and kicked a point also. Ollie, playing a great quarter up forward gained possession and snapped a super goal.

Another great game for the young Tigers, always learning, always working hard to improve and showing great team work and sportsmanship. The players hope Angus and Toby SD are on the mend quickly and look forward to seeing them at training. Thanks to Tom White for umpiring and everyone else who helped out. Special thanks to Goulburn Valley Water for their sponsorship of water bottles for every player, and to Sprout Wellness for donating the water carriers for the bottles and to the weekly sponsors. Tigerland are certainly well looked. Go Tigers.

Marmalades player of the Week; Ollie Skilling. Just Great Coffee great player award; Tahlia Waghorn.

Yarra Valley Gas most improved; Austin Ferris.

Under 13

Yea 1.2-8 defeated by Alexandra 9.11-65

by Nick Fisher

ON Sunday the Yea Tigers under 13s challenged Alexandra at Yea, Alexandra was too strong and took the win. Edison Waghorn kicked Yea's only goal. The weekly awards went to Tander Fairchild and Lachlan Heywood who both played great games. Next week we play Seymour in Seymour.

Under 15

Yea 1.2-8 defeated by Wandin 9.11-65

by D Schickerling

THE Yea under 15s were keen to get the rematch against Wandin underway. Last time the two sides meet the controversial win by Wandin had left a need by Yea to redeem a positive result however Wandin had the same belief. It was Wandin who were more focused and the result showed with a convincing win to the Bulldogs but they didn't have it all their own way with the Tigers winning the last quarter after a spray from Couch Papa. Marmalades player of the Week; Will Ross. Yarra Valley Gas most improved; Mark Simpson.



L. Henwood and T. Fairchild from the under 13s. -S



Encouragement for the under 9s. -S



T. Waghorn, O. Skilling and A. Ferris from the under 9s. -S



Yarra Valley Gas encouragement award winner Issy Webb, Marmalades player of the day award winner Ivy Leatham, and Just Coffee well done award winner Izzy White, all from the under 11s. -S



Yarra Valley Gas Most Improved winner Micayla McGillivray and Marmalade's Player of the Week Maya Cronk, both from the under 13s. -S



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## Mixed results for Yea juniors

### Netball

#### Under 11

##### Yea 8 defeated Alexandra 6

by Rachael DeCaneva

YEA Tigers under 11s hosted Alexandra at home at the weekend, on what was a cold and foggy morning in Yea.

In the first quarter Yea started well with the ball in the second half most of the quarter. Alexandra came out putting pressure on Yea during the second quarter with Grace Lanigan, Kensi Cronk and Lexi Harris defending well.

Yea came out strong in the third quarter with Pippa Butterworth and Charlotte Armstrong in the goals.

The fourth quarter was played strong from both sides. Yea were the winners of the day scoring eight goals to Alexandra six.

Marmalades player of the day award: Ivy Leatham. Just Coffee well done award: Izzy White and Yarra Valley Gas encouragement award: Issy Webb.

#### Under 13

##### Yea 13 defeated by Alexandra 15

by Kelly Harris

IT was great to finally have almost all of the team available for the round eight match against Alexandra at home.

Another tough battle was had between the Tigers and the Rebels. Micayla was back with the team and she was an excellent support in both attack and defence as the Centre player. The game was very tight with scores even at the first break (3-3).

Marley and Sophie shot well in the second quarter while Maya and Flynn kept the Rebels scoring to a minimum with Yea taking the lead into half time (7-4).

The Rebels came out strong in the third quarter and managed to take the lead (9-11). Yea continued to apply pressure in the final



The under 9s with their drink bottles, sponsored by Goulburn Valley Water. -S

quarter with Jemma and Elsie providing great options in their wing positions. It was an intense game that was hard fought until the very end.

Despite the Tigers efforts the Rebels managed to sustain the lead and Yea was defeated 13 to 15. Award winners: *Marmalade's Player of the Week*-Maya Cronk and *Yarra Valley Gas Most Improved*-Micayla McGillivray.

### Football

#### Under 9

by Lyndal Tait

AFTER the long weekend general bye, the Tigers welcomed

Alexandra to Tigerland for the under 9 football at the weekend.

The fog had cleared, but the chill factor was about and the ground was soggy, making for a tough slog. Coach AJ asked players to man up all game and apply pressure at all times.

Fynn tapped out clearly in the ruck at the first ball up and the Tigers pressed forward. Archie attacked the ball well in his usual style. Angus chased forward to gain possession and kicked the opening goal of the game.

There was great pressure and tackling throughout the quarter, especially in the centre of the ground where both teams struggled to move it into their

forward line. Jack applied great pressure and Toby J moved the ball well, and applied great pressure on his opponents. Austin got among it to move the ball forward for the Tigers, but Alexandra pressed into attack to score their first goal.

The second quarter saw Ashton and Ollie start well, taking possessions and pressing forward. A bad clash of heads saw Angus off the ground with a suspected broken nose, throwing the Tigers into a bit of a spin. Shortly after Toby SD come off with a hand injury.

Tayte worked hard across the back line, and continued to play despite a nasty jarring of the hand, the Tigers were being hit hard with

injuries. With two off the ground, the Tigers had to re group and adjust across the ground. Toby J upped the pressure with great tackles and chasing of the ball. Tommy had a great quarter with a ripper goal.

The third quarter, Alexandra moved quickly into their attack, but Ollie took a great mark in defence to stop their run and move the ball out, only for the opposition to gain possession and kick a goal, shortly followed by another on the run.

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## Yea Angling Club presentation winners

by Jacque Garlick

THE last couple of years has been very challenging for the small club but the committee have been so proud of how everyone rallied together to create a great 2021/22 season. The annual presentation and dinner was held at the club rooms on Saturday night, June 18 with approximately 30 people in attendance. The food was great and the company was awesome.

The secretary took the opportunity to thank all involved with setting up, preparation and food, to fill everyone up, wood to keep warm and antics to keep the laughs plentiful.

If anyone would like to join Yea Angling club the AGM is being held out at the club rooms at 7pm on Thursday, July 7, with the normal monthly meeting to follow. They can also be found on social media.

Winners: Junior Champion; Hamish Antrobus. Junior runner up; Cooper Baynes. Biggest trout 3.59kg; Marlee Clifton. Biggest Redfin .821kg; Gareth Antrobus. Heaviest fish 11.62kg; Tim Clifton. Most native fish Hamish/Gareth Antrobus drew with 12 points each. Club runner up 293 points; Gareth Antrobus. Club Champion 353 points; Angus Antrobus. Goulburn Jack Award; Largest Cod caught locally in the Goulburn river; Rod Clements 6.9kg. Best club person voted; Jacque Garlick.



Award winners at the Yea Angling Club Presentation Night. -S