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# Inspiring voices



By Pam Kiriakidis

**WHITTLESEA** recently hosted another inspiring edition of **Beyond Your Now** – a conference that continues to empower women to share their life experiences.

Each year, founder Christina Matthews finds a lineup of speakers who share their personal stories, shedding light on important issues such as domestic violence, divorce, marriage, mental health, the loss of children, and other related topics.

In its fourth year, this year featured new voices on stage, including Suzie Botross, Helena McNeill, Debra Charles, and Nikki Simos, who embraced the theme 'Trusting Through Life's Trials.'

Ms Matthews expressed her hope that attendees would leave feeling uplifted.

"I hope that the way I've presented and done it, that people can walk out going, 'they were heavy stories, but I can be encouraged,'" she said.

"These words behind me, encourage love, support and community are really what it's about every time."

Ms Charles, a mother of seven children, shared her journey of grief and empowerment across various stages of life, particularly reflecting on her experience of losing a child to an illness, and her separation from her husband just 18 months ago.

Ms Charles said she hoped her story helped someone in the audience.

"I feel like there's probably a few women who may be in that predicament or just have left, and so if we can share and say, 'yes it's tough, but you can move forward', I think that's a great encouragement for them," she said.

"Particularly as women, we can put on a mask and go 'everything's good, I'm okay' ... you just need one or two people that you feel that you can share with, who can help direct you, whether that's a counsellor or speaking to your GP."

Ms McNeill, a creative storyteller and musician, made her debut at the conference.

The audience was treated to a performance from Ms McNeill, who shared a poignant account of her life over the past five years, starting with a divorce that preceded the onset of COVID.

Not too long after, Ms McNeill experienced another grief in her life – losing one of her twin daughters, who was born prematurely, and lived with a disability.

Ms McNeill emphasised the importance of simplicity in moving forward – taking

one day at a time and seeking support from friends and counsellors.

"For me, being my daughter's carer, that was really a tricky thing because I lived on adrenaline and having to be her carer, so that's been a really big life lesson to learn how to take care of myself," she said.

"I think allowing yourself to express your emotions and tears ... are really good therapy as well, and it's necessary. It's not a weakness, its wisdom, and it's part of the healing journey."

On the day of the event, Wallan author Ms Simos expressed her story through a compelling video presentation while an intuitive painter brought her words to life with strokes on a canvas.

Final speaker, Ms Botross left the audience with valuable tools for resilience, encouraging others to embrace their challenges and acknowledge their emotions.

As a cherished tradition of the conference, Ms Matthews invited her daughter Jaymee to close the event with a heartfelt rendition of Christina Aguilera's 'Beautiful.'

Ms Matthews and the team will take a break to reimagine its new location and program, as **Beyond Your Now** will be relocating to Torquay for October 10, 2026.

Ms Matthews thanked the community for getting on board, emphasising that their support has been vital in creating a space for connection and healing.

**TRULY MOVING:** The Beyond Your Now conference was held over the weekend. Pictured is Debra Charles, left, Helena McNeill, and Christina Matthews.



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**HELPING OTHERS:** Epping Meadows Care Community resident Dianne gives back to her community each week.

**Dianne's heartfelt impact**

By Pam Kiriakidis

If there was a resident of the year award, Dianne would undoubtedly be the frontrunner for her dedication to the wider community.

A resident at Epping Meadows Care Community, Dianne devotes her time to covering children's books with contact for Meadowglen Primary School – a school not too far from Epping Meadows.

What began as a side project for all the residents has become a point of pride for Dianne. She completes nearly 100 books in preparation for the school's librarian Jess Marcy, who comes in to collect them at the end of each week.

It all started when the school contacted Epping Meadows Care Community to include a few residents in helping the primary school. But now Dianne has claimed the project, and always does her best to surprise Ms Marcy, and the team at Epping Meadows Care Community with her skills and commitment.

Epping Meadows Care Community's Well-being Manager Alice McWilliams said Dianne had always loved supporting others.

"When Dianne isn't doing activities or helping us with other things such as decorating for events, Dianne sits outside my office throughout the day backing books [from] Monday [to] Friday – she treats it almost as if it's her job," she said.

"She's always loved helping with activities and helping in general. Whenever we have an event, she'll come and decorate with us or make things. It's a meaningful engagement for her because she loves to help people, and she knows that she likes helping the children.

"She's also built a really good relationship with the librarian Jess, and she loves seeing her come in ... it definitely makes her day."

Ms Marcy said Dianne had been an absolute lifesaver for the school.

"It seemed like an impossible task to get them ready for circulation, but Dianne came to our rescue with her hard work and dedication," she said.

"She has been so amazing with her support and the students and teachers at Meadowglen are so appreciative to have access to the books that she has covered.

"I love coming in to see Dianne each week as she has the biggest smile on her face while showing me the hard work she has done. She is an angel."

Dianne is looking forward to a visit from Ms Marcy and the primary school students soon, who makes thank you cards and certificates for her.



**EXCITING:** Member for McEwen Rob Mitchell opened the newly completed Middle School Building at Mernda Hills Christian College.

# Better facilities

## MERENDA Hills Christian College can now make use of the newly completed Middle School building which was completed in July.

Officially opened this month by Member for McEwen Rob Mitchell, the new building supports the school's secondary students, featuring eight new classrooms with interactive screens and large windows that capture the surrounding Mernda hills.

The facility also includes breakout spaces for individual learning and group

activities, meeting rooms, staff offices, and a light-filled staff room with a fully equipped kitchen.

Lorden Vella and Kneeler Design Architects brought the project to life.

Principal Kristin Hankins emphasised the school's excitement of the new building.

"This completed build is one of the steps in our

five year strategic plan to provide exceptional educational opportunities and foster a vibrant school community," she said.

"We are excited about the positive impact this facility has on the learning opportunities for our students as well as being part of our vision to create a Christ-centred environment where every student can thrive."

Mr Mitchell said work on the development project was delivered with support of Australian Government funding of \$1.2 million through the Capital Grants Program.

"A lot of work has gone into this project which

has delivered general learning areas, meeting rooms, amenities and a staff room," he said.

"These new facilities will provide school staff, teachers and students at Mernda Hills Christian College with better, more modern spaces in which to work, teach and learn.

"The Australian Government is committed to providing all schools with appropriate funding so that all students, including those at Mernda Hills Christian College, Mernda, get the best possible education."

Mr Mitchell said the new facilities would benefit the students currently at

Mernda Hills, as well as the many students who will follow in future years.

"The teachers, staff and students at Mernda Hills Christian College have built a strong and positive school community and these new facilities will further enhance our local educational opportunities," he said.

"The Albanese Government strongly believes in providing the best possible resources so that local students can realise their potential and develop the skills they need to go on to further study or to find a job."

## Celebrating 80 years of service

KINGLAKE Fire Brigade marked their 80 years of services alongside families and friends at Lawsons Restaurant earlier this month.

Having missed their 75th milestone during COVID, the occasion was highly anticipated and one that allowed for many reflections.

Newly appointed Captain Paul Buck said although Kinglake Fire Brigade have a dinner

every year with Service Awards presented, the evening was a great deal of reflecting.

"It was a great night to all get together and touch on the highs and lows the brigade has been through over the years," he said.

"We had a photo slideshow that led to many conversations from the long-serving members who fondly recounted the memories on screen."

Mr Buck mentioned that navigating the aftermath of the 2009 Black Saturday bushfires, which caused significant devastation in the township and resulted in 120 lives lost, was a compelling experience.

"The response and loss have had such a long-lasting effect on the community, and the brigade, and it will continue to do so. It's something that is always talked about – you can't forget what happened," he said.

"You see the members that drifted away initially, then those that were here at the time start to get on in age or slowly take a step back, or worse, pass away."

On the morning of February 7, 2009, strong winds brought down powerlines in Kilmore East. That afternoon, it had spread right through to Kinglake National Park before merging into the most significant fire – the Kinglake Fire Complex.

"We're very mindful of the long-drought conditions that lead into that year and although we're not in that situation now, we do talk about it in our preparations for the upcoming fire season," Mr Buck said.

"Although the northern part of our district like Yea and Seymour dry out a lot earlier, it's hard for us to tell people to prepare when



**CELEBRATING:** Country Fire Authority Board Member Tony Peake with Kinglake Fire Brigade Captain Paul Buck.

they're still cutting green grass rather than bailing hay.

"By the time we're drying out, we're in the middle of the Christmas period and into January."

Over the last 18 months, the brigade has commenced on a recruitment drive, leading to five new operational firefighters who have completed their general firefighter training.

"We're hoping with more numbers this season we can really start to engage more with the community to get us all prepared for the season," Mr Buck said.



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Alternatively, attendees can connect with one of the various local wine tour companies and relax knowing they are in-experienced hands.

Participating wineries will include Attwoods Wines at Mount Monument, Cleveland Estate, Cold Acre at Hanging Rock, Double Oaks Estate, Glenhope Vineyard, Hanging Rock Winery, and much more.

With so many wineries to choose from there is a wide range of food, music and art offerings to provide the perfect accompaniments to everyone's weekend.

From pizzas, tapas and paella through to home-grown organic sausages and BBQ beef sliders, there is sure to be something for everyone.

This year the Budburst bus loops have already sold out, but

Budburst have partnered with some of Victoria's leading wine tour companies to help attendees explore the many wineries over the weekend.

Attendees can create their own bespoke Budburst tour by contacting one of the tour companies, including Cool Climate Tours, Journey Through the Ranges, Wine Tours Victoria, Kangaroo Hopping Tours, Day-

lesford Wine Tours, Blue Wren Shuttle, and Kimco.

Budburst festival tickets start from \$39, including a Macedon Ranges tasting glass to remember the experience, a festival passport featuring information about the wineries and the weekend, as well as all your tastings at Budburst wineries across the weekend.

A weekend pass will cost \$49, while a Sunday only ticket will

be available at \$39. Designated drivers and children will be free of charge.

For information about what the wineries will have to offer over the weekend, visit [www.macedonrangeswineandfood-fest.com.au/participating-wineries-2024](http://www.macedonrangeswineandfood-fest.com.au/participating-wineries-2024).

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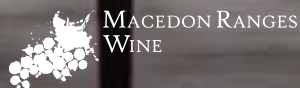
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## Farewell to Mitchell Shire's Brett Luxford

MITCHELL Shire Council Chief Executive Brett Luxford has announced he will step down at the end of 2024.

Mr Luxford, who commenced his role in August 2020, said after careful consideration he was moving on to explore new opportunities.

"This decision has not been made lightly, but I believe now is the right time for both myself and the organisation to enter the next chapter of leadership," he said.

"It has been an honour to lead this incredible organisation, and I want to thank the staff and the wider community for their unwavering support.

"The passion and dedication of the people working within this organisation are what make it truly special. That passion is



**MOVING ON:** After four years of leadership, Mitchell Shire Council Chief Executive Brett Luxford has announced his decision to step down at the end of 2024.

at the heart of Mitchell Shire Council's success, and I encourage everyone to continue to embrace it moving forward."

Under Mr Luxford's leadership, Council has reached significant milestones, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Despite the disruptions, Mr Luxford led the organisation through remote operations.

During his tenure, Council upheld a strong financial standing and implemented key infrastructure projects.

Mr Luxford played a pivotal role in securing major infrastructure investments, including the Camerons Lane Interchange project, and the Seymour Community Wellbeing Hub.

Additionally, Mr Luxford's leadership during the October 2022 and January 2024 floods showed his commitment to supporting the community during times of crisis.

His focus on emergency preparedness and rapid recovery efforts helped the Shire navigate difficult periods with resilience, making sure that critical infra-

structure repairs and community support were prioritised.

Another major highlight of Mr Luxford's tenure was the development and adoption of the Mitchell 2050 Community Vision, shaping the strategic direction of the Shire for the coming decades.

This vision has been integrated into key plans, including the Health and Wellbeing Plan and the Long-Term Financial Plan.

Mitchell Shire Mayor Councillor Louise Bannister said Mr Luxford's leadership and positivity during the past four years at Mitchell Shire was to be commended.

"Brett led the organisation incredibly well through some very difficult times, including the pandemic and both major flooding events. His dedication to the role and commitment to the values of Mitchell Shire is admirable," she said.

"He has worked hard to improve our community member's interactions and experiences with Council and has advocated strongly, with significant success, for major infrastructure across our Shire.

"Brett has been a true asset to Mitchell Shire and has put the Council in good stead for future. On behalf of the Councillors, I wish him and his family all the best for the future."

Mr Luxford will remain in his position until the end of the year, ensuring a smooth transition as new Councillors are inducted following the 2024 local government elections.

He will also work closely with the new Council to support the process of selecting the next Chief Executive.



**BRILLIANT WORKSHOP:** Ladies, fear no more! The cost of mechanical repairs has been minimised thanks to a Mechanical Workshop held at Mitchell Shire Council's Wallan Customer and Library Service Centre last Friday. Pictured is Akwele Acquah, left, Cheryl Hall, and Facilitator Richard Bergami.

## Major road blitz across regional Victoria

**THE Hume Freeway will be among the key routes included in the State Government's new \$964 million road maintenance initiative.**

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne launched the road maintenance blitz earlier this month, rolling out a major road initiative to rebuild, repair, and resurface roads across Victoria.

Over the next nine months, crews will complete thousands of road projects across Victoria, ranging from road rehabilitation, resurfacing, patching potholes and maintaining bridges, traffic lights, signage, and road infrastructure.

The blitz will see an army of road workers delivering the equivalent of \$2.6 million worth of works, with around 70 per cent of funding going towards regional Victoria.

In Macedon, the maintenance efforts will focus on several roads including, Gisborne-Kilmore Road, Kilmore-Lancefield Road, Heathcote-Kyneton Road, and Tylden-Woodend Road.

Targeting the state's busiest travel and trade routes, works are also set to be delivered on the Goulburn Valley Highway, Princes Highway, Surf Coast Highway, and the Western Highway.

The package also includes flood recovery works, with priority given to repairing regional Victoria's flood-damaged roads.

The final list of flood recovery projects will be confirmed in the coming months.

Extended periods of warmer, drier weather are crucial for undertaking significant projects such as road rebuilding and rehabilitation, as most of the work is planned between now and May next year.

Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas said the road maintenance blitz was helping people on roads.

"We're getting on with fixing the roads that country people drive on every day," she said.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne said the initiative was connecting communities.

"We're investing nearly a billion dollars to rebuild and repair the roads that Victorians depend on every single day — from the highways connecting our major centres to the local roads that keep our communities moving," she said.

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Applications close 5pm on Monday 4 November.



## Nominations Closing!

### Mitchell Youth Awards

The Youth Awards for Excellence in Community recognise and celebrate the exceptional contributions of young individuals who have made a meaningful impact within Mitchell Shire.

Open to individuals aged 12-24. Nominations close:

- Monday 4 November [mitchellshire.vic.gov.au](http://mitchellshire.vic.gov.au)



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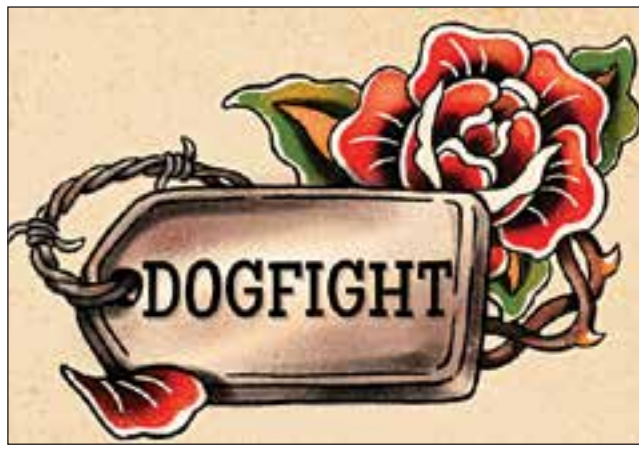
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# Ready for a Dogfight

**FOLLOWING** their fabulous Avenue Q production, the Seymour Performers Workshop (SPW) held auditions for their end of year musical *Dogfight*. Final rehearsals are underway with opening night on Friday, November 9 at the Seymour College Arts Centre.



The SPW *Dogfight* cast of 16 was announced in June and includes a mix of veteran and emerging talent, including the male lead role of Corporal Eddie Birdlace played by Charlie Mustoe, while the female lead role of Rose Fenny is played by Laura Hogan.

Ms Hogan also played the lead role in the SPW production as Vivienne in *Legally Blonde*.

*Dogfight* is based on the 1991 Warner Brothers film and has since been adapted for the stage. The musical performance will take the audience on a romantic and heartbreaking journey staged during the Vietnam War, and it begins with a brash group of young marines who play a cruel trick on young ladies to win a bet.

When the marines learn they have one more night of

freedom before returning to the conflict, they decide to play up, and when Eddie sees a shy waitress in a diner quietly playing her guitar, he invites her on a date.

Rose Fenny has no idea that Eddie and his marine mates-Sergeant, Gibbs, Factor, and Stevens have cruel intentions.

Directors Madeleine Lezon and Lucy Pennington are excited to bring this production to the stage, along with 2022 SPW Honorary Life Member Paul Lejins who will be making sure everyone's pitch is perfect.

Choreographer Kimberley Read is running the cast through their final moves in the lead up to opening night, and the production team are working on setting the scenes for San Francisco in 1963.

Once again, the modern Seymour College Arts Centre, with its dynamic indoor space fits the bill for regional people to see live theatre close to home, with ample parking and all abilities access to all areas. The tickets are just \$35 each and you might want to get in early for this one.

Evening performances will be held on Saturday, November 9 and Saturday, November 16 from 7.30pm-10pm. The daytime shows are Sunday, November 10, and Saturday, November 16, and also Sunday, November 17 from 2pm-4.30 pm.

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# Victorian Tourism Awards announced

## TWO businesses within the Mitchell Shire have been selected as finalists for the 2024 Victorian Tourism Awards.

For 37 years, the Victorian Tourism Awards have showcased the state's leaders in tourism excellence and plays

an integral role in acknowledging business excellence, innovation, professionalism, and collaboration.

Known for its luxury accommodation and dining in the Trawool Valley, The Trawool Estate is nominated

in two categories, including restaurant and dining, and accommodation.

Marketing and Media Manager Amanda Smith said she was proud of the team

"[I'm] really proud of the team for performing so well

during the judging period," she said.

"At the hotel, we're always striving to do better and improve and its great recognition for the area. It's really, really exciting and great for the golden region.

"We try to bring new ideas and bring new experiences to the area as much as possible ... trying to think of new ways to get people from the city to come out and see this beautiful part of the world."

Ms Smith said it was an honour to be recognised next to major businesses in Victoria.

"We're really happy that the region is getting this recognition, and hopefully brings more people out to see how beautiful it is out here," she said.

Tastes of the Goulburn was also named a finalist for its food and wine festival that occurs in Seymour's Station Street every year.

Established in 2002, Tastes of the Goulburn is a not-for-profit event managed by a committee of dedicated, experienced and creative volunteers.

Tastes of the Goulburn Co-Chair Anna Rogan said the recognition was a tribute to all the hard work over the years.

"Over the past few years, we have worked hard to transform Tastes from a great day out to a flagship regional food and wine festival for locals and visitors alike," she said.

"The event is now a wonderful showcase of the food, wine, culture and people of the Goulburn Valley that drives genuine investment in the region and creates a sense of pride and excitement in our communities."

The 2024 Victorian Tourism Awards Gala Ceremony will be held on November 21 at the Palladium at Crown.

## Inland Rail bridges the gap

### WORK on the Inland Rail project has reached another milestone with the installation of the bridge beams over the rail corridor at Seymour-Avenel Road.

The last of six concrete beams was lifted into position by contractor McConnell Dowell late this month, enabling the remaining critical

works on the 35-metre-long bridge to continue.

Each beams weighs around 85 tonnes and was lifted into place.

At Seymour-Avenel Road, Inland Rail is replacing the existing bridge with a higher bridge in the same location to allow sufficient clearance for double-stacked freight trains to pass safely.

The new bridge is 3.2 metres higher than the existing structure and flanked by 170,000 tonnes of locally sourced soil to create the approach embankments.

Inland Rail is a nation building project that will transform how goods are moved around Australia, first connecting Beveridge, Victoria to Narromine in New South Wales, by 2027 before later connecting to Kagaru in Queensland.

In Victoria, Inland Rail work will be delivered at 12 project sites between Beveridge and Albury to enable double-stacked freight trains to pass safely and ensure everyday products can be delivered faster.

Inland Rail Delivery Director Beveridge to Albury Ed Walker emphasised the importance of installing the beams at Seymour-Avenel Road.



**GLORIOUS DAY:** On Saturday, glorious weather blessed the Kilmore Men's Shed annual open day event. Plant sales went through the roof and the popular beefeater tomatoes were sold out by 10.30am. Pictured is KMS member J.B. and his customers Bev Carman and Dorothy Rae with KMS member Dennis Rae.

"The installation of the bridge beams at Seymour-Avenel Road is another important step forward on the project," he said.

"The first four Inland Rail sites including, Seymour-Avenel Road, Barnawartha North, Wangaratta and Glenrowan are progressing well and are on track to be completed in the new year.

"Preliminary and design work is ramping up on the next eight sites at Broadford, Wandong, Euroa, Benalla, and the Hume Freeway, Tallarook, and Seymour, with construction work set to begin next year.

"We thank the community for their patience and understanding as we press ahead with this nation building project."



**PROGRESS:** The Inland Rail project has reached a new milestone with the installation of bridge beams over the rail corridor at Seymour-Avenel Road.

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## Burning-off precautions

**COUNTRY Fire Authority (CFA) is urging Victorians to take extra precaution while burning-off ahead of the Fire Danger Period (FDP) to prevent penalties and reduce the strain on emergency services.**

Last year, CFA responded to 819 callouts for escaped burn-offs between January and December, with 396 incidents occurring in September, October, and November alone.

This troubling trend occurs to be ongoing in 2024, with CFA already having responded to 37 incidents between September 1 and 20.

CFA Chief Officer Jason Heffernan said the number was increasingly high and highlighted the widespread impact escaped burn-offs have.

“We are aiming for a significant reduction in escaped burn-off incidents this season as we head towards the FDP,” he said.

“Last year’s numbers, especially during Spring, placed an unnecessary strain on CFA crews, neighbouring properties, and the community.

“Letting a burn-off escape during the FDP can result in severe penalties, including heavy fines and liability for damages caused.”

Under the CFA Act, penalties for allowing a burn-off to escape during a declared FDP

can include fines up to \$23,710, 12 months of imprisonment, or both. The penalty is doubled if an escape occurs on a Total Fire Ban Day.

Before conducting a burn-off, it’s important to ensure compliance with CFA regulations and local council laws, and to notify neighbours if your activity will produce fire and smoke.

In addition to following regulations, it’s important to check the weather forecast for the day of the burn and the days that follow, to establish a fire break by clearing at least three meters of flammable material around the area.

Lastly, remember to notify Triple Zero Victoria before beginning your burn.

Register online through the Fire Permits Victoria website, or if you wish to start your burn-off immediately, or do not wish to utilise the online form, you may register your burn-off by calling Triple Zero Victoria on 1800 668 511.

Complete the Burn off Notification Form and email the form to [burnoffs@triplezero.vic.gov.au](mailto:burnoffs@triplezero.vic.gov.au).



**BETTER PREPARED:** With the fire season around the corner, now is the time to start preparing your property.

# It’s fire season preparation time

**BETWEEN now and summer is the best time to prepare yourself and your property from increased bushfire risks.**

**Take the following actions to prepare yourself and your property:**

- Move your winter woodpile away from the house or sheds.
- Prune tree branches so they are not overhanging the roof or touching walls.
- Clear your gutters and keep grass shorter than 10 centimetres.
- Remove leaves and twigs from around your property.
- Test anything that is part of your fire plan such as sprinklers, pumps and generators.

Make sure your household has a Bushfire Survival Plan. For more information, visit [www.cfa.vic.gov.au/bushfire-plan](https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/bushfire-plan).

The AFAC seasonal outlook for Spring, released last month, predicts an increased fire risk in west and southwest Victoria, following a notably dry Autumn and Winter.

Across the rest of the state, Victorians can expect a warmer-than-average spring with an uncertain rainfall outlook. While the fire risk is considered normal, it’s important not to be complacent. Fires can still occur anytime and anywhere when temperatures rise and vegetation is dry.

Country Fire Authority (CFA) is urging residents to prepare their properties ahead of the fire danger period, with areas of Victoria facing an early start to the fire season.

Considering the outlook, CFA Chief Officer Jason Heffernan emphasised the importance of early preparation this spring.

“An earlier start to the fire season means community members need to start preparations now,” he said.

“By removing light and heavy fuels around your home, you’re protecting your property and helping firefighters defend it.

“Simple tasks such as clearing gutters, pruning overhanging branches, maintaining grass at a safe height, and moving wood piles away from your house or shed can greatly improve your property’s chances of withstanding a bushfire.”

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# FIRE SEASON PREPARATION



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# Weather warning

**THE Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) has recently announced a severe weather season between October-April 2025 with severe thunderstorms, tropical cyclones, flooding, heat waves and bushfires.**

Over the warmer months, Australians will have an increased risk of severe and extreme heatwaves with hot nights making it harder to recover during the day. The hot weather systems can bring a higher fire danger risk, and the weather conditions influence the size, intensity

and speed of bushfires and how dangerous they can be.

Dry grass, parched native shrubs, dead leaves and twigs are a fire's basic fuel, and during droughts and in hot, windy weather, even large logs, the green leaves and smaller branches of large trees can become dry and flammable. Strong winds

cause a fire to spread faster across the landscape, and a change in wind direction alters the course of the fire and broadens the fire front.

In some parts of Australia, lightning can precipitate bushfires.

The winds during thunderstorms can also make it difficult to predict the behaviour and movement of a bushfire, and large fires can also create their own thunderstorms. These thunderstorms can also cause more intense and dangerous bushfire behaviour.

While heavy rain might put out a fire, it can also make

it difficult for firefighters to access burnt areas. Where fires have been intense, or happened over steep terrain, heavy rain might cause severe erosion and affect water quality when rivers carry ash and sediment.

The BOM provides regular forecasts and warnings through their free website and app.

It's easy to stay up to date with warnings, simply download the BOM Weather app and set up warning notifications to your phone or tablet.

For more information, visit [www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings](http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings).

# Sneezing up a storm

PARAMEDICS are reminding Victorians to update their asthma action plans to stay safe during spring, and with warmer weather expected soon.

Asthma can affect people of all ages and, if unmanaged, can develop into a serious health concern.

Adults should update their asthma action plan yearly, while every six months is recommended for children.

Victorians are advised to see their general practitioner (GP) if they may have hay fever and have also experienced asthma symptoms such as wheezing, breathlessness, shortness of breath, coughing and chest tightness.

Ambulance Victoria (AV) Director Emergency Management

Justin Dunlop said putting together an asthma action plan was an easy and potentially lifesaving step.

"It's simple – visit your GP and they can create a plan with you," he said.

"Everyone's asthma action plan will look different, and it will help you manage your condition, ensuring you don't find yourself in an emergency."

Mr Dunlop said taking preventative action would make a difference for busy paramedics.

"Follow your asthma action plan, and most importantly, if a person is having difficulty breathing and their reliever medicine is not working, don't delay in calling Triple Zero (000)," he said.

AV is also encouraging Victorians to know where to go for timely medical care and health advice to help save Triple Zero (000) for emergencies.

The Victorian Virtual Emergency Department (VVED) is available at [www.vved.org.au](http://www.vved.org.au) and is a free 24/7 online service, connecting people with emergency doctors and nurses from anywhere in the state.

People can also visit an Urgent Care Clinic, which provides GP-led care to those who need urgent care, but not an emergency response. To find your nearest one, visit the Better Health website.

Other options for care include GPs, pharmacists and NURSE-ON-CALL, who can be reached on 1300 606 024.

To learn more about asthma action plans, visit the Better Health website at [www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/conditionandtreatments/asthma-action-plans](http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/conditionandtreatments/asthma-action-plans).

# Farming and climate change

**THE South West Goulburn Landcare Network is hosting a presentation to help farmers to prepare and protect their crops from climate change.**

The evening event will include a visit from Agriculture Victoria's Seasonal Risk Agronomist Dale Grey, who will share an understanding of how seasonal climate forecasts impact crop farming.

Mr Grey has worked with Agriculture Victoria for 24 years, and is based in the regional Victorian Bendigo Branch. Until recently, he was the producer of a news-

letter that assisted Victorian farmers to make better use of seasonal climate forecasts, and now produces *The Very Fast Break*, a version of the newsletter which is available to stream for free on Youtube.

To view, visit [bit.ly/3Nz-tgM4](http://bit.ly/3Nz-tgM4).

After the presentation, the South West Goulburn Land-

care Network group will hold its committee meeting, with the group extending a warm invitation to any residents interested in their work to attend.

The presentation will be held on Monday, November, 11 at the Golden Reign room at Kilmore Trackside, starting at 7.15pm. The presentation will start at 7.30pm, and tea and coffee will be provided.

For more information, email Vanessa at [sugland-care@gmail.com](mailto:sugland-care@gmail.com) or text Margi Rhodes at 0429 772 177.



**TUNE IN:** Agriculture Victoria's Seasonal Risk Agronomist Dale Grey is presenting a weather forecast at the Golden Reign room at Kilmore Trackside on Monday, November 11 at 7.15pm.

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# A bigger stage

By Pam Kiriakidis

**AMBRAYA**, also known as Amber Sindoni, elevated her artistry this year, earning her place in the knockout round on Channel 7's *The Voice*.



**PERFORMER:** Ambraya, also known as Amber Sindoni, was on Channel 7's *The Voice* this year. Source: Channel 7

Ms Sindoni has performed multiple times in the Mitchell Shire, collaborating with BBGROUPAU which was founded by her best friend Benjamin Gregory.

Last year, the two friends released their book titled *I'm Safe, Happy and Healthy*, dedicating the story to Mr Gregory's late mother.

Stepping on a much larger stage, the national reality show changed its judging panel, with coaches LeAnn Rimes, Kate-Miller Heidke and Adam Lambert to join Guy Sebastian this season.

Taking on Demi Lovato's big powerhouse song 'Anyone', Ms Sindoni turned two chairs before choosing American singer LeAnn Rimes as her coach – an inspiring figure for Ms Sindoni.

Ms Sindoni admitted that she 'blacked out a little' during her blind auditions considering how big the production was.

"It's really interesting because it doesn't feel real, people I know that have also been on the show compared it to being on a video

game, and that's exactly what it feels like," she said.

"They opened the doors, and it is a set, but ... every step I took, I knew the weight of the moment and how many people will eventually watch this moment.

"I was able to express myself freely within the song. As scary as it was, the first time performing on that stage ... [the song] felt the most authentic to me and just the stylistic choices."

The most competitive round on the show, Ms Sindoni needed to impress her coach in the battles.

Ms Sindoni was partnered with Natalie Colavito in the battle round, making Hozier's 'Take Me To Church' as their own.

"It's never been covered by two females before like on television, so I really wanted it to be like a powerhouse moment, and absolutely rip into it," Ms Sindoni said.

"It was mixed emotions to be honest [after I had won the battle]. I wasn't really expecting it."

Advancing to the next round, Ms Sindoni made her exit in the knockout round, where she performed Rihanna's 'We Found Love' in the young girls' voices theme.

Despite the different stylings, Ms Sindoni remained proud of her journey.

"It's been a lot of self-reflection ... and what my next step in my career is. I think there's so much more that I feel I have to give," she said.

Sharing more of her talent in the Shire, and across the world, Ms Sindoni plans to release more music and will be performing at Camp4Cancer next month.

# Come all ye spooky

By Jo Kubeil

THE Kilmore Community Centre warmly invites curious young ghosts, ghouls, and witches in the Mitchell Shire to trick or treat with them and the U3A ukulele group this Halloween.

With the rise in popularity of Halloween in the Mitchell Shire, varied opinions have surfaced about its cultural relevance and even the financial burden the occasion bears on families doing it tough. But more importantly, debate has flared about the dietary and safety risks involved for young children, and that is why the Kilmore Community Centre has decided to invite the community to trick or treat with them.

Organisers Zoe Collings and Zienna Hedges will be dressing up in their spooky costumes and stated

there would be age-appropriate art and craft activities, including making a spider headband and pasting materials onto a cardboard pumpkin. For the older children, there is a weaving activity with recycled wool, and if they choose to, they can decorate their creation with spiders.

The Wallan U3A ukelele group will also be performing.

"The kids love dancing to the ukeles. [U3A] did 'Baby Shark' last year, and the children couldn't get enough ... so they played it again, and again, and again," Ms Hedges said.

"This is like an introduction to Halloween, and this is a way kids can enjoy it but not actually be filled with sugar. Here they will be interacting with kids."

The organisers hope that parents and caregivers can relax while their wards experience the tradition without the anxiety of them knocking on a stranger's door.

The centre holds a playgroup every Tuesday so they are no strangers to keeping children safe from traffic, and boast a child safe front yard and gate.

Centre Manager Rose Colombo said Halloween, just like any other festival, was a time for the community to come together and embrace diversity and traditions.

"Kids can come and trick and treat and leave, they don't have to do the art and craft. We just want to foster an environment of safety and inclusivity for us all," she said.

There will be a sausage sizzle, and lots of sugar-free treats, including ice cream made with a Diabetes Australia recipe. A small donation is required to cover costs.

The place to be this Halloween is the Kilmore Community Centre, at 38 Victoria Parade, from 4pm-6pm.

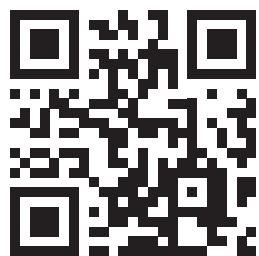
For more information, call Rose Colombo on 5782 2319.



**SPOOKY:** Organisers Zienna Hedges and Zoe Collings are excited to introduce Halloween to young people in a safe and inclusive setting at the Kilmore Community Centre.

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## Letters

### To our year 12 students

Dear Editor,  
As our local Year 12 students prepare to sit their final exams, I wanted to take a moment to address our future leaders and wish them the very best of luck.

The next few weeks will undoubtedly be challenging, but I urge you to remember that these exams are just one part of your journey. While they are important, they do not define you, your worth, or your future. Whatever happens, you should be proud of all that you have achieved so far and excited about what the future holds.

Once again, I wish you the best of luck. You've got this! I also want to congratulate and acknowledge those who have recently competed VCAL or chosen to complete unscored VCE, and those who have already entered the workforce. Whether you will be commencing a traineeship, apprenticeship, first year of university or even a gap year, I wish you well!

Anabelle Cleeland  
Member for Euroa

### Keep Watch

Dear Editor,  
With spring bringing warmer weather, Royal Life Saving – Australia is asking all owners of backyard pools to check their pool fences and pool gates as a matter of urgency.

Children under five are curious and fearless, and their love of water puts them at risk of drowning.

Tragically, every year in Australia we lose on average 20 young children to drowning, with half of all drowning deaths in young children occurring in backyard swimming pools. The majority are aged just one year old. This

is because the risk of drowning triples at the age of one year, when children become more mobile.

We know that eight times the number of children who die go to hospital after a non-fatal drowning incident. That is more than 150 children aged under five each year, some of whom will be left with life-limiting disabilities.

While active supervision is the best protection against childhood drowning, no parent or caregiver can watch a young child 24 hours a day.

Ensure that you have a functioning and compliant pool fence and working gate as an additional barrier between young children and water for all those moments when life intervenes – the phone rings, the doorbell rings, another child needs your attention – can literally be life saving.

Wet weather conditions can wash away topsoil and weaken fences. Check no fence posts have come loose from the ground. Make sure the gate is still self-closing and self-latching and is never left propped open under any circumstance. Pack pool toys away so they are not an overwhelming temptation, and empty portable pools when not in use. It is also a good time to brush up on CPR skills ahead of summer.

Keep Watch and protect the littlest members of your family.

Justin Scarr  
Chief Executive Officer, Royal Life Saving Society - Australia

### Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,  
For too long, those affected most by the transition to renewables haven't been given a voice. The Nationals are bringing it back. Locals will come first – ahead of multi-national corporations and the insatiable appetite for rushing through renewables projects.

## From the Archives



THE FREE PRESS, NOVEMBER 4, 1992: Kilmore Bowls Club ladies celebrated their 40th anniversary. A highlight was the presentation of a special plaque from the Victoria Ladies' Bowling Association.

When in government, the first move will be to restore the "third empire" and return the right of appeal to VCAT. Right now, the lack of an avenue of appeal for landowners deeply affected is simply unAustralian.

We will also institute a default 2km buffer zone around proposed wind towers to minimise the impact on residential properties and nearby communities. And importantly, we will advocate to the Commonwealth that any compensation received by landowners for hosting major transmission lines, or for impacts caused by such projects, is exempt from taxation. Not only are we giving communities a voice, but we are also protecting them. Locals should always come first.

Peter Walsh MP  
Leader of the Nationals

### Critical warning on mental health

Dear Editor,  
I write on behalf of the not-for-profit Mental Illness Fellowship Australia to highlight to readers that if you or someone you know is facing a mental health issue reach out. Help is out there.

It is absolutely critical that there is much more action from all governments to support people in your area who have severe mental health issues.

We are completely focused on getting rid of the stigma around severe mental illness in particular. It is time we all realised people who are affected need our support.

A huge number of people, who have a severe or complex

mental illness, are getting no community support whatsoever for their condition. It is critical to end the massive neglect of people who have mental illness in Australia.

Thousands and thousands of Australians with mental health issues are ending up in our local hospitals and emergency departments because they believe it is the only option for them.

We are highlighting as part of this new awareness campaign that the current system unfortunately actively channels people into emergency and hospital services, placing massive extra pressure on the system. So much trauma is involved with this process.

We urge people in your area to realise recovery is unquestionably possible. We have a key not-for-profit network called Finding North which has become a growing community on the internet, to link people with mental health issues with others in a similar situation so they can share their experiences.

To get more information, just go to [www.findingnorth.org.au](http://www.findingnorth.org.au). It is a powerful tool for readers to easily access.

Yours sincerely,  
Tony Stevenson,  
National CEO - Mental Illness Fellowship of Australia

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- Master suite with spacious ensuite and walk-in robe.
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- Contemporary kitchen with high-quality stainless-steel appliances.
- Open plan living and dining areas.
- Double-car garage with internal access.



4 2 2 2 424m<sup>2</sup> (approx.)















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**7 WILLOW COURT KILMORE**

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**125 WALLAN HEIGHTS ROAD, WALLAN**  
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- Semi Rural location, just minutes from Wallan
- Versatile floor plan, kitchen with walk in pantry
- Full ensuite with double vanities and a sumptuous bath

**5 CLOVER PLACE, KILMORE**  
\$390 P/W – AVAILABLE  
21ST NOVEMBER

3 🚗 1 🚗 1 🚗

- 3 cozy bedrooms providing ample space, Master with walk in robe
- Well-appointed bathroom
- Thoughtfully designed layout maximizing space and functionality
- Spacious backyard

**37 ALBERT STREET, KILMORE**  
\$420 P/W – AVAILABLE  
30TH OCTOBER

3 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- Neat three bedroom brick veneer home with lots to offer
- Master bedroom with ensuite and walk in robe
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- Lovely decked veranda, ducted heating and double garage complete this home.

**20 GREENFIELDS AVENUE, KILMORE**  
\$520 P/W – AVAILABLE  
11TH NOVEMBER

4 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- 4 bedrooms, main with ensuite
- Top quality home with well appointed kitchen
- Two living areas
- Ducted heating and cooling, alarm system

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- 4 well-sized bedrooms. Master with WIR, ensuite and retreat
- Double garage with extra storage space

**3 CHRYSOBEL WAY, KILMORE**  
\$420 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- Three bedroom home, master with ensuite
- Ducted heating throughout
- Open plan kitchen and living
- Double garage

**8 MEDALLION AVENUE, BEVERIDGE**  
\$420 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 2 🚗 1 🚗

- Spacious and stylish low maintenance property
- Three bedrooms, two with built in robes
- Ensuite and large main bathroom
- Open-plan living/dining area

**10/6 EDEN PLACE, WALLAN**  
\$400 P/W – AVAILABLE  
31ST OCTOBER

3 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- 3 spacious bedrooms
- 2 modern bathrooms
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- Double car garage

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**2/140 DUDLEY STREET, WALLAN**  
\$390 P/W – AVAILABLE  
4TH NOVEMBER

2 🚗 1 🚗 1 🚗

- 2 bedroom unit
- Open plan living and kitchen
- Single garage

**30 COTTAGE CRESCENT, KILMORE**  
\$480 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- Separate Loungeroom, ideal for relaxation and entertainment
- 3 Spacious bedrooms
- Renovated ensuite and main bathroom
- Rear access

**20 AMBROSIA WAY, BEVERIDGE**  
\$420 P/W – AVAILABLE  
1ST NOVEMBER

3 🚗 2 🚗 1 🚗

- Light-filled open-plan living/dining area
- 3 bedrooms, 2 with built in robes, main with ensuite
- Ducted heating
- Single lock up garage

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**COMMERCIAL**

**1/107 BENTINCK STREET, WALLAN**

- 340m<sup>2</sup> approx, 8 allocated parks
- 2 toilets and kitchenette
- Side roller door access, Open layout

**20 COMMERCIAL DRIVE, WALLAN**  
\$62,500 + GST + OUTGOINGS PER ANNUM – AVAILABLE NOW

- 533m<sup>2</sup> warehouse, with 80m<sup>2</sup> rear fenced yard
- Office, lunchroom, 2 toilets
- 8 allocated parking spaces, prime location

**6 COMMERCIAL DRIVE, WALLAN**  
AVAILABLE NOVEMBER 2024

- 340m<sup>2</sup> warehouse
- Includes office, kitchenette and amenities
- 134m<sup>2</sup> approx hard stand to rear, 11 allocated carparks to front
- Inspection by appointment only

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**11/31 BROADHURST STREET, KILMORE**  
\$400 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

2 🚗 1 🚗 1 🚗

- Low maintenance
- Quiet location
- Ducted heating

**6 WEATHERGLASS STREET, WALLAN**  
\$480 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

4 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- New flooring throughout
- Freshly painted
- Low maintenance

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**RESIDENTIAL**

**66 MELBOURNE STREET, KILMORE**  
\$375 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

2 🚗 1 🚗 2 🚗

- Central location
- Large yard with shed
- Wall heater

**47 SPRING STREET EAST, PORT MELBOURNE**  
\$650 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

2 🚗 1 🚗

- Private Courtyard
- Split system + Ducted heating
- 5 min drive to Port Melbourne beach

**1/16 CHURCH STREET, KILMORE**  
\$400 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 1 🚗 1 🚗

- Low maintenance yard with shed
- Ducted heating and split system
- Close to local schools

**9 XAVIER STREET, KILMORE**  
\$500 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 2 🚗 2 🚗

- Ducted heating and split system cooling
- Second living area
- Undercover outdoor area

**5 SITUATION WAY, MERNDA**  
\$470 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 2 🚗 1 🚗

- Low maintenance Garden
- Alarm System
- Close to nearby park

**12/27 GREEN STREET, KILMORE**  
\$400 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

2 🚗 1 🚗 1 🚗

- Low maintenance yard
- Close to local amenities

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**RESIDENTIAL**

**25 WHITE STREET, KILMORE**  
\$380 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 1 🚗

- Large backyard
- Secure shed
- Close to nearby parks & walking tracks

**52A PINNIGER STREET, BROADFORD**  
\$420 P/W – AVAILABLE NOW

3 🚗 1 🚗 1 🚗

- Decked alfresco area
- Great sized yard
- Close to public transport & freeway entry

**COMMERCIAL**

**1/34 FREEWAY DRIVE, WALLAN**

- \$920p/w – available now
- Brand new warehouse
- Floor area 388m<sup>2</sup> approx
- 2 year initial with further terms

**36A SYDNEY STREET, KILMORE**

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**WANDONG | 29 Mathiesons Road**

Big, Beautiful and Bespoke

- Nestled on a leafy allotment with frontage to Broadhurst Creek this high-quality six-bedroom home offers relaxed country living less than an hour from Melbourne's CBD
- Constructed by a well-respected local builder, quality and attention to detail are evident at every turn
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FOR SALE



713 m2

4 2 3

**KILMORE | 3 Ariel Court**

Exceptional Family Lifestyle

- Beautifully appointed four bedroom plus study home in a peaceful court location including an oversized triple garage and additional off-street parking space for a caravan etc
- Designed for modern living with a light and airy open plan living and meals area adjoining a quality kitchen with island bench and walk-in pantry

**FOR SALE**  
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FOR SALE



6100m2 (approx)

5 2 3

**KILMORE | 3 Hanover Court**

Space and Charm

- This large five-bedroom family home in a quiet court location blends modern features with Edwardian charm
- Quality finishes throughout, spacious family room with cosy wood fire and reverse cycle split system adjoining a lovely country-style kitchen with stone benchtops
- Town water, water tanks and a 14x7m shed with office

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**WALLAN**

**FOR SALE**

**18 Galah Chase, Beveridge**

**\$749,000 - \$825,000**

**BRAND-NEW PREMIUM 27 SQUARE APPROX HOUSE IN BEVERIDGE WITH**

4  3  2 

Enjoy the tranquility of the Ooranya Estate while being within easy reach of shops, schools, and parks. Step inside to a world of sophistication. The spacious, open-plan living area is bathed in natural light, creating a welcoming atmosphere for entertaining or relaxing. The gourmet kitchen, equipped with European-style appliances and a large island bench, is a chef's dream. Imagine preparing delicious meals while overlooking the stunning backyard.



**WALLAN**

**FOR SALE**

**13 Franklin Close, Wallan**

**\$820,000 - \$880,000**

**FAMILY HOME ON A HUGE BLOCK OF OVER 2000 SQM**

3  1  4 

When you need the room, you need the room, and this property, located in one of the quietest and safest parts of Wallan, has plenty of room for your boats, caravans or other toys. The house has three spacious bedrooms and two bathrooms. All the bedrooms have built-in robes - master features an ensuite bathroom and the other two bedrooms are serviced by a full family bathroom.



**WALLAN**

**FOR SALE**

**10 Twining Street, Wallan**

**\$585,000 - \$620,000**

**VERY WELL-PRESENTED AND AFFORDABLE FIRST HOME OR INVESTMENT**

4  2  2 

A beautiful family home located in the heart of Wallan. This very well presented property offers the perfect combination of style, space, and comfort, making it the ideal choice for growing families. With its modern design, open-plan living, and convenient location, this home is sure to impress. Step inside and be greeted by the spacious and light-filled family-meals area that provide the perfect setting for relaxation and entertaining.



**HIDDEN VALLEY**

**FOR SALE**

**24 Knight Way, Hidden Valley**

**\$1,000,000 - \$1,100,000**

**LARGE FAMILY HOME WITH EXCELLENT VIEWS - LESS THAN FIVE YEARS OLD**

4  2  2 

Welcome to 24 Knight Way, Hidden Valley. This stunning four bedroom, two bathroom house is perfect for a growing family. With two spacious living areas plus a study, and with the contemporary design and being in a prime location, this property offers so much. Step inside and be greeted by the stylish interior with wood paneling and dado rails and neutral colours throughout.



**WANDONG**

**10 Dry Creek Crescent, Wandong**

**\$360,000 - \$385,000**

**'OCCUPY, DEVELOP (STCA)'**

2  1  4 

We are absolutely honoured to present this property to the market. A huge block of approximately 868 m2 with two road frontages, in the pretty town of Wandong with great access to the Hume Freeway, or travel via train direct to Melbourne CBD (approx. one hour). A great little dwelling with new hot water service, comprises two-bedroom, study, lounge / dining area, bathroom and kitchen with new free standing electric stove. Including three sheds, (one powered).



**WALLAN**

**FOR SALE**

**62 King Street, Wallan**

**\$520,000 - \$550,000**

**START YOUR JOURNEY HERE**

3  1  2 

Whether you're a first-time buyer or looking to renovate to create your dream home, seize the chance to maximize the potential of this expansive 654m<sup>2</sup> (approx.) allotment. As you explore the spacious front and back gardens, you'll discover a welcoming ambiance. Unwind in one of the three cosy bedrooms, or prepare to entertain in the backyard. This solid brick home provides a strong foundation for a range of buyers, and we're excited for you to make it your own. Ideally for developers or first home buyers.

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## Timeless Elegance

- Desired corner allotment of approximately 358m2
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- Low maintenance landscaped gardens

Land size  
358m2 approx.

**NEW LISTING**

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## Your very own Private Oasis

- Large allotment of approximately 5 acres
- Sleek kitchen with double Miele ovens
- Private Tennis court, Salt-chlorinated Pool, Spa & Sauna
- Fully enclosed undercover entertaining

Land size  
2.03ha

**NEW LISTING**

\$1,700,000 - \$1,850,000



**BIANCA THOMAS**

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12 Fitzroy Street, **KILMORE**

3 1 2

## A Sought After Street

- Brick veneer home
- Great central location
- Established gardens
- Large concreted double shed

Land size  
720m2 approx.

**SOLD**



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7 Walnut Grove Court, **KILMORE**

3 2 1

## Mannagum Living

- Spacious allotment of 1105m2
- Brand new Kitchen
- New floating floors and freshly painted throughout
- Undercover decked veranda

Land size  
1,105m<sup>2</sup> approx.

Price guide

\$610,000 - \$660,000



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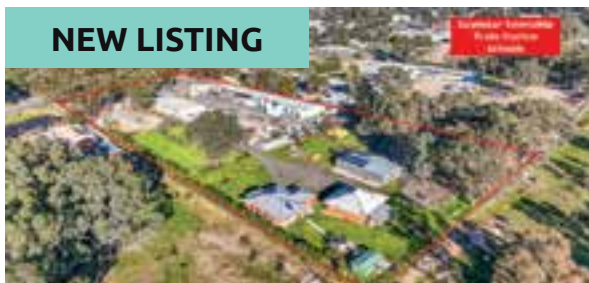
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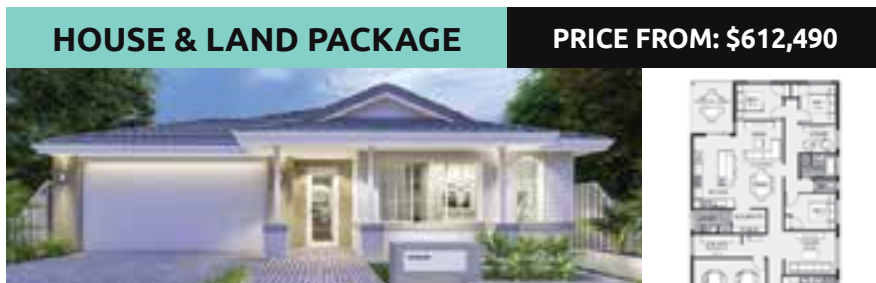
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**3** **1** **1**  
Land Area: 23,500 m<sup>2</sup>



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**4** **2** **2**  
Land Area: 798 m<sup>2</sup>



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**4** **2** **2**  
Land Area: 508 m<sup>2</sup>



**HOUSE & LAND PACKAGE**

**PRICE FROM: \$530,990**

**15 Yattarna Court Broadford**

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**3** **2** **2**  
Land Area: 425 m<sup>2</sup>



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# Family Fun

## Winner

**Congratulations to Takdirdeep Kaur Gill of Wallan for winning last week's colouring competition**

## Jokes

**Q. How does a witch make icecream?**  
**A. In a coldron**

## Birthdays

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Mukil Mauvannan</b><br>Beveridge, 30 October | <b>Mia Ajesh</b><br>Broadford, 1 November      | <b>Thea</b><br>Beveridge, 2 November            |
| <b>Alex Segreto</b><br>Wallan, 31 October       | <b>Kevin Zugaro</b><br>Broadford, 1 November   | <b>Hunter Ison</b><br>Wallan, 4 November        |
| <b>Willow Coleman</b><br>Wallan, 31 October     | <b>Paddy Hellings</b><br>Broadford, 2 November | <b>Patrick Corrone</b><br>Wallan, 4 November    |
| <b>Steele Tweedie</b><br>Wallan, 31 October     | <b>Allegra Turco</b><br>2 November             | <b>Giovita Goci</b><br>Eden Park, 4 November    |
| <b>Indii Webster</b><br>Broadford, 1 November   | <b>Eamon Leahy</b><br>Wandong, 2 November      | <b>William Alexander</b><br>Kilmore, 4 November |

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## Puzzles



- | ACROSS            |                   | DOWN           |                    |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Dog (6,7)      | 8. Exhausted (5)  | 9. Warning (7) | 10. Missive (6)    |
| 11. Tell (6)      | 12. Belief (5)    | 14. Keen (5)   | 18. Gear (6)       |
| 20. Standing (6)  | 23. Neglected (7) | 24. Din (5)    | 25. Amnesty (7,6)  |
| 1. Rook (6)       | 2. Box (5)        | 3. Beg (7)     | 4. Bag (4)         |
| 5. Entertain (5)  | 6. Copy (7)       | 7. Tarry (6)   | 13. Sale (7)       |
| 15. Feeler (7)    | 16. Powerful (6)  | 17. Behind (6) | 19. Subsequent (5) |
| 21. Attempted (5) | 22. Effigy (4)    |                |                    |

### CRYPTIC PUZZLE NO. 8992

**ACROSS**  
 1. Calling for the rascal (6,2,5). 8. He takes the wood back again (5). 9. Laying off the rough stuff. (7). 10. Shouted "Are covered by a gun" (6). 11. "In view of the fact that ones opened ones eyes (6). 12. Say at most fifty per cent were fed (5). 14. Age about forty-nine and not muscle-bound (5). 18. A stock holder (6). 20. Helping the party to get back, voting (6). 23. Reason why you shouldn't only cheer (7). 24. Suitable position; pleasant but hard to get into (5). 25. A dislike of the dark shades? (4,9).

**DOWN**  
 1. Give her a call about the fruit (6). 2. Unusual having a degree in music (5). 3. Are breaking up the home and that's serious (7). 4. Get rid of, somehow, to bring us in (4). 5. Caught long after in the hiding-place (5). 6. First endorse it (7). 7. Promise to take on in a fight (6). 13. He took a recent trip east (7). 15. The adult dog returns just about worn out (5-2). 16. Calm while the pal goes off to get the police (6). 17. Look! The river in it is rising fast! (6). 19. A bouquet makes a romantic start (5). 21. Cold, I got a fire going outside, which is permissible (5). 22. Zone where drivers drive too fast? (4).

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## Family Quiz



- What are the names of the three Sanderson sisters in the movie 'Hocus Pocus'?
- Who are the two famous brothers in the popular American series 'The Vampire Diaries'?
- Who wrote the 1818 classic book "Frankenstein"?
- What does a magician say when performing a magic trick?
- Are pumpkins technically a fruit or vegetable?
- What is having a fear of Halloween called?
- Edward Cullen is a vampire in what popular movie and book series?
- What animal is considered to bring bad luck on Halloween?
- In the movie, '13 Going on 30', Jenna Rink saves the office party by getting everyone to join her rendition of a famous dance routine to which spooky song?
- Who wrote the famous novel 'The Shining'?
- Pop star Katy Perry has a song named after which friendly alien?
- In which American state did the infamous Salem witch trials of the 1690s take place?
- Which TV series features the beloved characters Fred, Velma, and Daphne?
- What is a group of witches called?
- What can Dracula transform himself into?

**ANSWERS:** 1. Winifred, Mary, and Sarah 2. Stefan and Damon Salvatore 3. Mary Shelley 4. Abbracadabra 5. Fruit 6. Samhainophobia 7. Twilight 8. a black cat 9. Thriller by Michael Jackson 10. Stephen King 11. E.T. 12. Massachusetts 13. Scooby-Doo 14. a coven 15. a bat

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Solution No 4317

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Down - 1. Castle 2, Chest 3, Entreat 4, Sack 5, Assume 6, Intense 7, Linger 13, Anxious 15, Anxious 16, Strong 17, Astern 19, Late 21, Third 22, 100%

**CRYPTIC PUZZLE NO. 8992 - SOLUTIONS**

C-H-22, B&H  
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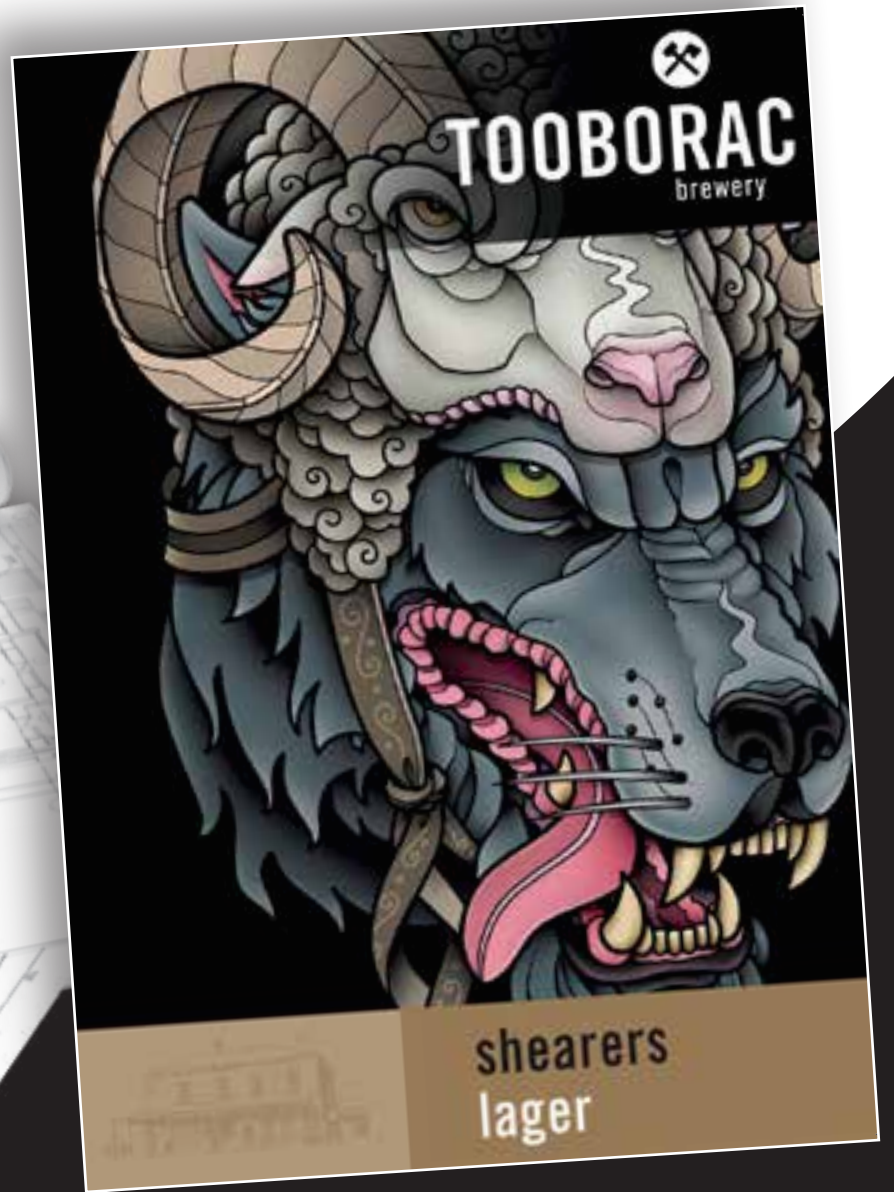
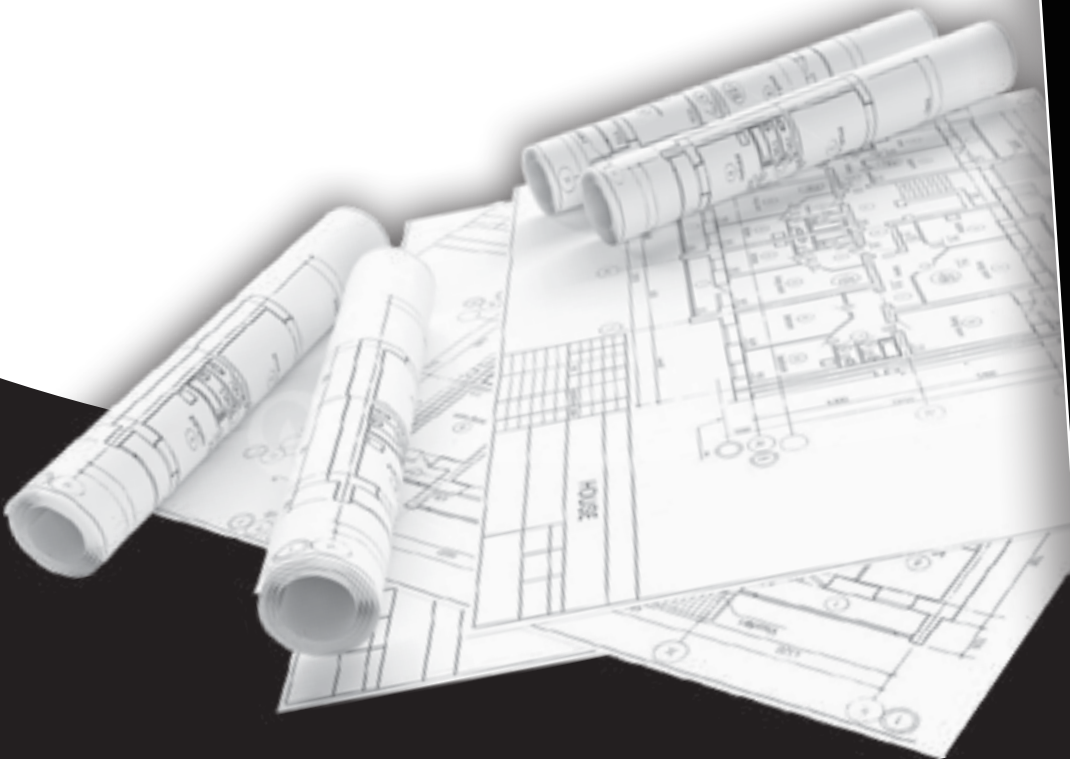
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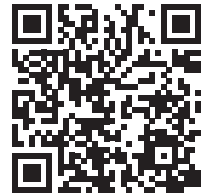
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- Yea Railway Market 8.30am-12.30pm.

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- Tallarook Farmers Market 9am-1pm.

### 2ND SATURDAY of the month

- Sunbury Village Market 9am-2pm.
- Wallan Old Time Market 9am-2pm.

### 2ND SUNDAY of the month

- Avenel Market Jubilee Park, Avenel. 9am-1pm.
- Romsey Arts & Craft Market Lancefield-Romsey Lions Club, Romsey Skate Park. 9am-1pm.

### 3RD SATURDAY of the month

- Riddells Creek Farmers Market 9am-1pm.
- Trackside Market Kilmore Trackside, 10am-2pm.

### 3RD SUNDAY of the month

- Seymour Rotary Market 9am-1pm.

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### 4TH SUNDAY of the month

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#### How to register your interest

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### MCINTYRE CUP FIRSTS

**BROADFORD 10/135** - 1-15 Joshua Nolan, 2-44 Connor Stute, 3-53 Braden Hickey, 4-53 Riley Nolan, 5-74 Jeremy Bradshaw, 6-111 Sikander Sharma, 7-118 Taylor Shell, 8-132 James Ingham, 9-133 James Jones, and 10-135 Blake Jones *Defeated by* **WOODEND 2/138** 1-108 Xav Tadd, and 2-111 Harry Lawson.

**ROMSEY 6/247** - 1-54 Jed Richardson, 2-73 Matthew Milne, 3-115 Taylor Stevenson, 4-182 chris burkett, 5-191 Adam Frost, and 6-212 Thomas Boyer *Defeated* **MACEDON 10/210** - 1-5 Will Bobetic, 2-26 Gareth De Rosayro, 3-56 Alex Browne, 4-68 Ivan Bobetic, 5-68 Player, 6-125 Ethan Raynor, 7-165 Matthew Stonier, 8-204 Harry Pender, 9-209 Gabriel Yow Yeh, and 10-210 Henry Bobetic.

### JOHNSTONE SHIELD FIRSTS

**EASTERN HILL 7/187** *Defeated* **KILMORE 10/98**

**WALLAN 6/186** - 1-23 Reuben Rode, 2-84 Matthew Clayton, 3-95 Nathan Fowler, 4-126 Ryan Cumberland, 5-128 Jack Mifsud, and 6-163 Archie Moore *Defeated by* **EAST SUNBURY 7/187** - 1-57 Spencer Paton, 2-57 Evan Wilkins, 3-70 Alec Nichols, 4-115 Liam Williams, 5-117 Alec Boorsma, 6-141 Hammad Rashid, and 7-163 Jay Brockman.

## CRICKET

### MCINTYRE CUP SECONDS

**BROADFORD 10/152** - 1-29 Liam Withers, 2-41 Aaron Culpin, 3-45 Samraat Sharma, 4-48 paul mcdonald, 5-112 Kyle Hopkins, 6-143 Kane Toohey, 7-148 Aaron Gleeson, 8-148 Blake Benham, 9-152 Michael Mirabella, and 10-152 Bryce Fleming *Defeated by* **WOODEND 0/156**.

### JOHNSTONE SHIELD SECONDS

**EAST SUNBURY 10/71** *Defeated by* **WALLAN 1/75**

**EASTERN HILL 8/192** - 1-4 Josh Speechley, 2-69 Peter Speechley, 3-99 Michael Brown, 4-148 Hayden Szczykalski, 5-172 Michael Hard, 6-172 Riley Graham, 7-176 Tyler Peacock, and 8-181 Brendan Page *Defeated* **KILMORE 10/86** - 1-11 Ryan Knight, 2-15 Callum Partridge, 3-17 Brent Proctor, 4-19 Tony McNicholas, 5-19 Timothy Peggie, 6-20 Zac Osmond, 7-59 Lachlan Peggie, 8-85 Callum Peggie, 9-85 Rowan Pollock, and 10-86 Hayden Proctor.

### ROUND 3

#### JENSEN SHIELD FIRSTS

**LANCEFIELD 2/66** - 1-26 Cameron Osmond, and 2-30 Jack Crosland *Defeated* **WALLAN 10/63** - 1-11 Chris Vecchie, 2-15 Robbie Fowler, 3-23 Jason Dodd, 4-38 Daniel Young, 5-43 Haseeb Masroor, 6-57 Andrew Avola, 7-59 Robbie Graham, 8-59 Jedda Hubbard, 9-62 Joe Barry, and 10-63 Jett Ladewig.

## CRICKET

**HARKNESS 9/385** - 1-15 Baljinder Singh, 2-31 Gurmeet Sandhu, 3-69 Simarjeet Singh, 4-227 Jagjivan Singh, 5-232 Rubal Singh, 6-277 Narayan Singh, 7-324 Vamsi Krishna Budhavarapu Ayyavaru, 8-355 Harry Sandhu, and 9-356 Jaipaul Reddy Kankana *Defeated* **GISBORNE 6/179** - 1-5 Tom Mousley, 2-102 Simon Shaw, 3-160 Jack Shaw, 4-160 Ryan Muller, 5-164 Jason Gruevski, and 6-173 Patrick Gray.

### JENSEN SHIELD THIRDS

**SUNBURY KANGAROOS 5/140** - 1-11 Brad Stuart, 2-14 Jakob McCubbin, 3-73 Nathan Hole, 4-112 Jay Patel, and 5-112 Robert Walker *Defeated* **KILMORE 5/136** - 1-0 Rohan Audehm, 2-25 Rhys Ferraro, 3-25 Glen Fairweather, 4-81 Adam Ciacia, and 5-127 Mathew Arnott.

### SUNDAY 27

#### KOOKABURRA WOMEN'S LEAGUE

##### ROUND 3

**DARLEY 4/81** - 1-7 Emma Betts, 2-25 Ebony Beck, 3-65 Maddison Scott, and 4-79 Tameeka Morrissey *Defeated* **KILMORE 4/80** - 1-1 Rebecca Maycock, 2-32 Taylah Logie, 3-39 Catherine Mogridge, and 4-70 Renee Randall.

**MACEDON 6/124** - 1-14 Amber Smajila, 2-51 Hannah Smajila, 3-53 Lola Coppin, 4-67 Emma Coppin, 5-74 Amelia Harrison, and 6-115 Kym Riley *Defeated* **WALLAN 3/123** - 1-8 Kia Montgomery, 2-103 Felicity Vance, and 3-103 Susan Leeson.

## CRICKET

**BACCUS MARSH 2/167** - 1-129 Ashley Gillard, and 2-167 Stella Blaikie *Defeated* **GISBORNE 7/96** - 1-1 Ava Hynes, 2-4 Ruby Watts, 3-41 Macy Geisler, 4-58 Ninna Harbinson, 5-86 Stephanie Jones, 6-91 Belinda Bunn, and 7-91 Ellie Kays.

## GOLF

BROADFORD GOLF CLUB

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23

### 2 PERSON AMBROSE

Jase Crook and Matt Lauder 61.5  
Graeme Hogg and Grant Bilton 63.25  
Norm Edge and Des O'Connor 63.75

NTP: Grant Bilton 4th  
Joe Mirabella 9th  
John Wanneck 11th  
Graeme Hogg 16th

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26

### 100 YEAR CELEBRATION

#### 4 PERSON AMBROSE

Steve Raynor, Dennis Austin, Terry Dobson and Dave Sutherland.  
Rod Gale, Chris Spencer, Lindsay Beeson and Shane Daly.

## GOLF

LANCEFIELD GOLF CLUB

TUESDAY OCTOBER 22

### LEGENDS STABLEFORD

Allen Collins 40  
Ross Farrar 38  
Denis Davenport 36 c/b

WEDNESDAY 23

### MEDAL OF MEDALLISTS

Sandra Matthews 67  
Kaylene Cruise 77  
Sheena Flentjar 78c/b

### 9H AMBROSE

Ros Jensen and Bev Beaumont 51

### TWILIGHT - 10 H STABLEFORD

Dave Morgan 23

THURSDAY 24

### 18H STABLEFORD

John Leefe 34  
Denis Davenport 32c/b  
Stewart Stevens 32c/b

SATURDAY 26

### STABLEFORD

Barry Flentjar 41c/b  
Denis Davenport 41  
Stephen Draper 38c/b

## GOLF

HIDDEN VALLEY GOLF CLUB

TUESDAY 22

### LADIES STABLEFORD

Carol Gibbons 40  
Jan Foot 38  
Jane Taylor 33

WEDNESDAY 23

### A GRADE

Brian Jansz 40  
Usman Naseer 39  
Vincent McNamara 38

### B GRADE

Gary Foley 44  
Phillip Gobbons 42  
Peter Chalkey 37

NTP: Brian Jansz 9TH  
Gary Foley 18th

SATURDAY 26 - STROKE

### A GRADE

Oliver Halton 69  
Jimmy Dee 71  
Enzo Laferlita 74

### B GRADE

Travis Pegler 74c/b  
Glenn Kambouris 74  
Geoff Martin 75

### C GRADE

Steven Stavrinou 73  
David Riddell 74c/b  
Glen Conway 74

SUNDAY 27 - STROKE

### A GRADE

Matt Bell 72  
Mohammed Yunus 73  
Barry Brooke 74

NTP: Barry Fitzmaurice 4th  
Graeme Torney 16th

KILMORE GOLF CLUB

WEDNESDAY 23

### LADIES STROKE

Bea Lay 74c/b  
Helen Dennett 74

NTP: Dianne Dixon 10th  
Sophie Bannon 17th

MEN'S STABLEFORD

Barry Archbold 36  
Ian Wood 34c/b

NTP: Rick Campbell 10th  
John Roberts 17th

SATURDAY 26

### LADIES STABLEFORD

Jill Bannon 37  
Andrea Boland 36

NTP: Andrea Boland 10th  
Bea Lay 17th  
D&P: Andrea Boland 12th

MEN'S STROKE

### OVERALL WINNERS

Anthony McGregor 65  
Mark Boland 66

WINNERS: Tracy Hedditch 67c/b  
Barry Archbold 67  
Cyril Anderson 70

D&P: Michael Roberts 72c/b  
Dennis Whitfield 8th

NTP: Musgrave Lindsay 7th  
Mario Maddalena 10th  
Mark Boland 12th  
Ian Wood 17th

## TENNIS

BROADFORD DISTRICT JUNIOR TENNIS ASSOCIATION

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26

ROUND 3

### SECTION 3

WALLAN - Kokkinakis 0 sets  
*Defeated by* YEA 6 sets.

### SECTION 4

HIDDEN VALLEY 1 sets *Defeated*  
*by* WALLAN Barty 5 sets.



YOUNG GUN: Blake Jones, 14, made his A grade debut for the Broadford Cricket Club at the weekend.



GOLF REWARD: A very excited Sandra Matthews, left, was presented with the Ladies Medal of Medallists Trophy 2024 by Captain Di Rohde at the Lancefield Golf Club last Wednesday.

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# Sport

## Sulky snippets

By Len Baker

### Local winners at Kilmore Trots

KILMORE Harness Racing nine-card event was held last Thursday with most events even and open.

In the MC Security Pace over 1690 metres, Nanneela breeder and owners Col and Michelle Godden, were successful with 5Y0 Changeover-Starlit Orion gelding Epic Orion. Trained by Godden and driven by Kialla based Tasmyn Potter, Epic Orion began best from the pole to lead throughout, and kicking clear on the final bend to register a 2.9 metre winning margin over Burning Tickets who ran from gate two along the sprint lane from three pegs. Littleblabbermouth ran from gate three to place 4.7 metres after trailing the winner. The mile rate, 1-57.9.

In the 2180 metre O'Brien Electrical Pace, Potter ran up a double after driving the Julie Douglas (Strathfieldsaye) trained 4Y0 Betting Line-Picobello gelding Ozzie Punter to a tough victory, and racing exposed for most of the trip from the extreme draw, Ozzie Punter outstayed his rivals to prevail by 1.6 metres in 2-00.4. Coming second, Rocco Americano, running from gate three first up since January 2022 led after moving around City Rockstar. He ran from gate five shortly after the start, and he finished third, 3 metres back.

In the Happy Birthday Shelly Wicks Pace returning event, 7Y0 Sportswriter-Perfect Katie mare Hand Writer, snared the 1690 metres with a mile rate of 2-00.8 with Bendigo Driver Liam Older. Hand Writer started from gate two on the second line and settled mid-field in the moving line as Marianna Bromac led from the pole. Following up the well supported Friends (one/two) three wide in the last lap, Hand Writer was lucky to avoid trouble when Amber Alert in the breeze locked wheels with Friends outside him prior to the home turn causing a chain reaction to those following. Finishing best, Hand Writer scored by 3.6 metres over Marianna Bromac and Self Exclusion which followed the winner home from the tail a head away. The mile rate, 2-00.8.

In the TAB Pace over 1690 metres, Heathcote trainer Jim O'Sullivan combined with son Sean aboard 6Y0 Auckland Reactor-More Glory gelding Atomic Glory and ran home first. Beginning fast to lead from gate two, Atomic Glory was eased to allow Olly Odd Potts who ran out of gate four to take over giving him the run of the race. Using the sprint lane, Atomic Glory was too slick at the finish to record a 1.7 metre victory over Olly Odd Potts and Royal Edard raced exposed from outside the front line battling away for a 1.9 metre third place. The mile rate, 1-59.8.

## From the boundary



By Ray Carroll

### Cometh the hour

In the long history of cricket in Australia, a real star comes along just about every twenty years. A new prodigy is desperately needed as our ageing test player's fade. Cricket fans will be hoping young NSW batsman Sam Konstas may be the one.

The nineteen year old highly talented player hit a century in each innings against South Australia a week ago in only his fourth shield appearance. Sam emulates two Aussie champions who hit twin centuries as teenagers. They were Ricky Ponting and Archie Jackson. Ponting achieved this feat in 1993. Archie Jackson did the "double" way back in 1929 against South Australia. He also hit a majestic 154 in his test debut against England. Tragically, he died of tuberculosis in 1933 aged only 24 like the legendary Victor Trumper who died in 1915 and Phillip Hughes, 2015, Jackson remains forever young.



Sam Konstas.

★★★

Meanwhile, the old enemy England has produced its next great batsman. Yorkshire's Harry Brook, 24, has just hit a majestic 317 against Pakistan in Multan. Brook is rated by United Kingdom veteran cricket writers as the best since Peter May and Ted Dexter. Aussie fans will see Brook in action when the Ashes saga resumes in this country a year from now. I already have written some time ago that I saw a 15 year old Brook score a brilliant century in Yorkshire College cricket in 2015 when I went to the renowned Sedbergh school to meet up with a longtime friend.

### VARIA

Levi Casbault has retired after playing 198 games with Carlton and Gold Coast Suns. He kicked 156 goals. He is known as a fine person and family man. Son of Launceston senior police officer, Levi is married to former Assumption College Kilmore (ACK) student Hayley Comerford. The couple have four lovely children. Hayley was a great help with the sports program whilst a boarder at ACK a decade and a half ago.

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Mary DeMelo of Smeaton Place, Kilmore, passed away a week ago after a long and stoically brave health battle. A dignified and kind person, Mary was an avid book reader and tennis fan. She was much loved by her devoted daughters Tanya and Natasha – and grandchildren Seamus, Charlotte, Sienna and Abbey – young Kilmore school children.

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I caught up briefly with Cheryl Stephens' dad the other day. Cheryl was for some years a

highly regarded ACK teacher and for a lengthy period since has done outstanding work in education in East Timor. She was prominent among the massive crowd of close to three quarters of a million at Pope Francis' recent mass in Dili. In a role, too, at the mass was much loved former ACK principal Brother Paul Gilchrist.

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The last Marist Brother at Kilmore, Brother Xavier Collins, is enjoying retirement at Mercy Bethlehem in Bendigo. A devoted teacher and sports coach, he taught in four states and spent two lengthy stunts at ACK. A talented footballer and cricketer himself, and fine teacher, he gave great service not only at Assumption, but also at New Norca, Western Australia, Sacred Heart College, South Australia, and Forbes and Broken Hill, NSW. An avid swan's fan he was very disappointed with their grand final effort against Brisbane Lions.

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### Melbourne guests

United Kingdom actor and model Liz Hurley and son Damien will be guests at the Melbourne Cup Carnival. For some years Liz was fiancée of late cricket legend Shane Warne. Damian is also a model and actor and a committed Christian. Shane Warne and Liz Hurley were friends of Simon and Rebecca O'Donnell and on a visit to the latter's Willowmavin horse stud, paid a brief visit to a cricket game at ACK.

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### Summer is coming



The young lady pictured is enjoying the warmer days of spring after the long cold winter and she is happy summer is not far away. There is no doubt the global warming company has not got Kilmore's address. Meanwhile reports that are not doctored tell us the poles are okay, the seas are not rising, polar bears are thriving, and the worlds crops have never been better. And if we want to know where the most student alarmism comes from – just follow the money trail, apparently many thousands of Europeans, Asians, Americans (and some Australians) have doubled, even trebled their fortunes from the "Industry".

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### College cricket

College cricket is underway once again and ACK enters its 67<sup>th</sup> AGSV season, hoping to maintain the strong showings of the past two summers which saw young Romsey bat Lucas Cavigan emerge as a future star. With several centuries for ACK, he joined the dark and light blues list of prolific run scorers. Names like Simon O'Donnell, Peter Ryan, John Bahen, Neale Daniher, Jon Henry, Jason Smith top the list of college centuries. Assumption joined the prestigious grammars competition in 1959. Prior to then it had enjoyed much success over the decade in the local area senior competition.



The Kilmore Men's Shed 3Y0 Maiden Pace over 1690 metres was a blow out for punters when Yankee Babe at odds of \$26.00 defeated \$81.00 chance Altius in a mile rate of 1-59.3, in a race that changed complexion in the last lap after Watching Over Us who ran from gate six after racing uncovered, raced past the front runner My Uptown Girl who ran from gate five which had crossed Lombook who ran from gate two. Yankee Babe came with a strong burst along the sprint lane from the tail on turning to blouse Altius (three pegs) along the sprint lane by a half head only in a thrilling finale, with Lilstrepo also coming from the rear to be third 2.2 metres away. A daughter of Yankee Rockstar and Mary Mon trained at Henty (NSW) by Brooke McPherson and

driven by partner Tom Gilligan. Yankee Babe returned a mile rate of 1-59.3.

In the C + M Build Group 4Y0 and Older Maiden Pace-1690 metres, Wallan mother and son Ruth (trainer) and Chris Shinn (driver) scored a well overdue victory with 4Y0 Sweet Lou-Elenora gelding Alamo Bred and raced by husband Noel, Alamo at start number 21 after going forward from gate five was able to cross polemarker Waltzing With Nana shortly after the start before leading throughout to greet the judge by a half neck in a rate of 1-59.9 from Goodtime Mae which raced outside him from gate six and wouldn't relent. Waltzing With Nana held third 2.5 metres back.

In the 2180 metre Jet Roofing 0-2 LTW Pace, Goornong's

Peter Salathiel was successful with Always B Miki-Foxy gelding Kitsune in a mile rate of 1-59. Going forward from gate four to lob outside the leader Shazza Love who ran from gate three. Kitsune ended up three back in the moving line as both Vince Lombardi who ran from gate five and Lenie who ran from gate seven went forward to take turns in occupying the position outside the pacemaker. Easing four-wide on the final bend, Kitsuni ran home stylishly to register a 1.1 metre margin over Lenie which took over prior to the home turn and fought on bravely. Half Price Bride (four pegs from the extreme draw) used the sprint lane for third 4.9 metres back in a mile rate of 1-59. Peter received all of the spoils in the

race as he bred, races, trains and drives the winner.

In the Buds and Branches Florist Pace, heavily supported Sweet Lou-Sapphire Lil filly Bubby To Base despite racing exposed from gate five outside the short priced poleline leader Pete Mitchell, was too tough at the finish. Trained by Tayla Nicholson and driven by husband Zac Phillips they have only recently moved into the Kialla training base. Bubby To Base travelled beautifully, recording an easy 6.8 metre margin over the pacemaker. Sports Narrator- three pegs from gate six, was third a half head away after flashing late along the sprint lane. The mile rate, 2-00.5.

In the evening's final race, the 2180 metre Broadstead Kilmore Pace, 10Y0 free legged Art Major-Markleigh Princess

mare Markleigh Caz proved too good for her rivals in a mile rate of 2-02. Trained at Charlton by Michael Gadsden and driven by James Herbertson, (who had to wait for the last event to notch up a winner), Markleigh Caz was taken back at the start from outside the front line to settle at the rear with last start Shepparton winner Fremont Street leading from gate two. Moving four wide on the final bend, Markleigh Caz swamped her rivals as the post drew close, winning easily by 8.4 metres from Favouritehighlight, one/one and a three wide home turn, with Japanese Miki a game third 2.7 metres away after racing uncovered from gate three.

Kilmore harness races will return on November, 14.

# Mixed results all around

By Pam Kiriakidis

## THE Wallan Panthers Men faced a doubleheader in round four of the Country Basketball League (CBL), while the Seymour Blaster Men missed the victory mark.

Wallan made their return to the season in the last round with a doubleheader, and although the side did not defeat the Blasters in their season opener, the side bounced back impressively in the second

match, triumphing over the Shepparton Gators with a dominant 90-56.

In round four, the Panthers welcomed the Albury Cougars to 'The Jungle' on Saturday.

Right from jump ball, it was clear that Wallan was on their way to a successful match.

The Panthers made an early start on the scoreboard, with Wallan's Ryan Philippe already contributing three points, soon adding another two to the team's tally.

The Cougars began to show progress shortly after and wrapped up the first quarter with three points on the scoreboard, while Wallan held a 10-point lead.

Maintaining the pressure, Wallan added 16 points

onto the scoreboard in a low-scoring second quarter for the Cougars, who only put seven points.

But the Cougars rallied in the third quarter, demonstrating their score ability with 21 points, while Wallan contributed 23 points.

Wallan kept its ongoing defeat till the end of the fourth quarter with a 78-65 win.

In their second match on Sunday, the Panthers delivered an impressive performance, taking home a 111-67 win

against the Mansfield Eagles at the Alex Pullin Stadium.

Unfortunately, the Seymour Blasters Men didn't share the same success as Wallan in round four.

After defeating Wallan and Echuca in round three, Seymour travelled to Wodonga to take on the Wodonga Wolves.

Seymour excelled in the first quarter, making progress with a nine-point lead.

However, Wodonga surged ahead, sneaking two points

in the remaining 14 seconds of the second quarter.

The two-point contribution had a significant impact for Wodonga, but Seymour kept challenging the side with their impressive basketball.

Both teams fought fiercely for every point in the fourth quarter, but the better team was Wodonga with a 63-57 win.

In round five, Seymour will play at home against Mansfield Eagles, while Wallan will take a break and return in round six at home against the Shepparton Gators.

### Women

It turned out to be a low-scoring game for the Wallan Panthers at the weekend.

The Panthers made their season comeback in round three, starting the CBL season with renewed energy and determination after claiming a 17-point win against the Shepparton Gators.

Facing the Albury Cougars in round four at 'The Jungle', both teams found it difficult to establish their flow, resulting in missed baskets in the first quarter.

The Cougars shifted their performance at the start of the second quarter, scoring back-to-back baskets to finish the quarter with a commanding 33-10 lead.

The Panthers began scoring more in the third quarter, with Wallan's Maddison Delbridge consistently giving two points onto the scoreboard.

But the match ultimately remained in the Cougars' control, with the final score at 70-41.

Wallan will have a bye in round five but will return the weekend after with a home game against the Shepparton Gators.



# Cricket's a hit

By Jo Kubeil

## SUNNY days greeted the cricket teams over the weekend. The Gisborne and District Cricket Association (GDCA) fixture featured ten clubs competing in their divisions and at the Harley Hammond Reserve in Broadford, their McIntyre Firsts challenged Woodend.

Woodend Captain Marcus Stewart won the toss and elected to bowl first, and Broadford Captain Jack Connell put Connor Stute on to bat first, with Joshua Nolan at the other end. Each

player made 11 runs, and Stute held his nerve facing 40 fresh bowls.

Next in the batting order was Braden Hickey and Sikander Sharma. Together, they lifted the running rate as they faced the Woodend bowling

duo, Joe Monk and Harry Lawson. Hickey made 24 runs, and hit five 4s before he was bowled out by Lawson on the first ball of the 17<sup>th</sup> over.

Sharma faced 55 balls and made 34 big runs for the Broadford side during his innings, which ended on the fourth ball of the 35<sup>th</sup> over after he was caught by Monk. In between, Lawson claimed an early duck with Riley Nolan out unfortunately after two balls. Taylor Shell found the middle of the bat and accumulated 22 runs before he was caught by Harrison Shehan in the middle of the 39<sup>th</sup> over. Connell was still on the pitch when the innings ended 10 out for 135 runs.

In the fielding Broadford's bowling duo Nathan Wood and Hickey could

not force a mistake from Woodend's first batter, Marcus Stewart, and he finished his innings 72 runs off 71 balls and not out. Shell caught Xav Tadd out with help from a nifty bowl from Sharma on the third ball of the 23<sup>rd</sup> over, and Broadford bowler Nolan was assisted by Nathan Woods to catch Harry Lawson out after two runs.

Woodend caught up with Broadford's score at the end of the 30<sup>th</sup> over and finished with seven batters on the bench, 2 out for 138 runs and finishing in front by three runs.

Next week, the Broadford will travel to Gisborne to play at Snakey Reserve at 1pm for the first innings of a two day match.

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## Cricket's greatest moment

AT the weekend, the Diamond Valley Cricket Association club's played round three in sunny conditions. The Whittlesea Cricket Clubs second XI team played the Eltham 5<sup>th</sup> XI team at the A.F Walker Reserve in Whittlesea on Saturday.

Eltham won the toss and elected to bat first. Steve Allen walked onto the crease first with Liam Allen at the other end. Whittlesea on the other hand chose Manju Thanthulage to bowl first and he quickly dismissed Allen after six runs with help from Ruwan Hewa

Malawige who caught the heavy ball. Despite great fielding, Eltham increased their run rate when their third batter who stepped into his crease. Oliver Hibbert made 22 runs before Malawige took another sound catch for Whittlesea.

The excitement hit fever pitch when Whittlesea Captain Dinesh Arachchige bowled and caught out Luca Klaic after he had made 35 runs for his team. There were 35 overs in the innings and Eltham finished with one of

their fill in players still on the pitch, 8 out for 147 runs.

Having had a great day on the field, Ruwan Hewa Malawige appeared first in the batting order for Whittlesea. Unfortunately, he went out for a duck when the umpire called leg before wicket (LBW), and shortly after, Sanjeewa Liyanage, on five runs, was bowled out by Steve Allen. Arachchige joined him on the bench after he was quickly caught out by fielder Joshua Hibbert.

Next, in the Whittlesea batting order, two ducks were lodged when Vice-Captain Tharanga Thantrige was caught out by Kye Wilson Whelan, while Steve Allen took another LBW wicket from Polwatthe Weeraman. In between, Manju Fernando had a long and satisfying innings and retired at 50 runs, not out. Lachlan Heaney, fifth in the batting order, hit 41 big runs and remained in the game until the final ball of the final over. The Whittlesea team ran out of overs and the game finished at 35 overs, 6 out for 142 runs defeated by Eltham by 5 runs.



**SALUTE:** Manju Fernando had a long and satisfying innings and retired at 50 runs, not out.



**SHAKE:** The captains shook hands before the game at the weekend.



**TEAM:** The Whittlesea Cricket Clubs second XI team played on Saturday at the A.F Walker Reserve in Whittlesea.



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