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Veteran Jess proud to feel and share Anzac Day reverence



Former Royal Australian Navy Lieutenant Jess Sullivan feels a complex rise of emotions during the minute of dense silence at each Anzac Day service.

"There is that unique connection you get from having served, and for me Anzac Day is commemorating the original history, but also the more recent history," the Torquay RSL sub-branch member says.

"Having lost shipmates to mental illness, and knowing a lot of people are still struggling post-service I think it's important that we come together and demonstrate that we recognise what people have been through on behalf of this country.

"People don't look at me and see a veteran. There is this young group of us who have experienced a lot, and it's nice to know that people recognise that."

"That minute of silence, when you've got that many people together and you could hear a pin drop, just the level of reverence that comes from that can be overwhelming."

Jess joined officer training at the Australian Defence Force Academy after having finished school at Wangaratta at 17, motivated in profound part by the example of her mother Trish, who was a proud army reservist.

"She passed away when I was quite young, so there was that desire to understand where she came from. She was with the

transport corps so there are photos of her driving the vehicles, and as a country kid seeing a woman do those things it showed me there was a whole world out there that was possible," Jess says.

"And I guess I had an innate desire to serve in some way. I've always been drawn to those kind of roles."

She did not need to wait long to start seeing the world, assigned to HMAS Tobruk and deployed to the Middle East at barely 18.

"So as a trainee I was driving HMAS Tobruk through the Strait of Hormuz, and we did equipment drops for the guys in Afghanistan," Jess says.

On return to Australia she graduated from the Australian Defence Force Academy. Her nine years of service included time as second in command of landing craft including HMAS Balikpapan before overseeing its decommissioning, and on patrol boats with Operation Sovereign Borders.

After finishing with the Royal Australian Navy, Jess worked in emergency services. She now consults in the disability sector, with focus on leadership and culture, and is a member of the Victorian Government's Disability Worker Registration Board.

She also instructs yoga, at times for veterans. "I've certainly got that resilience lens on when I'm teaching people," she says.

As Anzac Day 2024 approaches Jess is looking forward to again being part of, and feeling, a nation's appreciation for service and sacrifice.

"It is so nice to have people back together again," Jess says. "Amplifying that minute's silence ... goosebumps."

Surf Coast Shire Council supports RSL sub-branch Anzac Day services across the shire.

- **Winchelsea: 10.30am service and wreath laying at Winchelsea Reserve, RSL clubrooms.**
- Anglesea: 9.45am march from McMillan St to Murray St, followed by 10am service at the Anglesea Memorial Hall.
- Lorne: 7am service Anzac Memorial Park, followed by gunfire breakfast at Lorne Bowls Club car park. 10.45am march from Lorne Visitor Information Centre to commemorative service at Anzac Memorial Park.
- Torquay: 5.45am service at Point Danger, followed by gunfire breakfast.

What's happening at Barwon Park Mansion? The CWA ladies cuddled up with Tony Armstrong are certainly not commenting.

Claudette Brennan

While we can't say what's been filmed or give away the plot, I think it's a terrific photo of our Winchelsea CWA ladies and Tony Armstrong.

The program was filmed for 3 days at Barwon Park and will be shown on the ABC early next year.



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Anzac Day being remembered

Linda Carter

In 1982, our daughter Nicole and her friend Louise, students at Corio West Primary school, produced a poster which was chosen to enter the annual competition run by Geelong RSL for Geelong and District Primary Schools. The theme was "Reasons for Anzac Day". Their entry was judged as First Prize.



Nicole and Louise accepting the statuette from Geelong RSL President David Loone

David and Julie Loone's fathers, (Nicole's grandparents) uncles and family members in the services being remembered at Anzac Day.



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Thursday 25 April 2024

**The service will start at 10.30,
at the Winchelsea Reserve, RSL Club rooms.**

All Welcome

**After the service there will be morning tea s
erved in the Hub by the Winchelsea Football and Netball Ladies.**

During the service wreaths will be laid.

All are welcome to lay flowers, r osemary or wreaths.

**The Winchelsea RSL are committed to making this event unique,
something to be a part of. All are welcome to Australia's special day.**

**Look for the RSL members outside the IGA Winchelsea and
buy a badge to support those who served, and those still serving.**

For more information, Chris Alsop 0405449814

Secretary Winchelsea RSL



Enrolments now open for Prep 2025

Victorian State Government

The State Government has opened enrolments for the 2025 intake of Prep students – encouraging families to apply for their preferred school as their children start their primary education.

Students have guaranteed access to their designated neighbourhood school.

Enrolment applications are open until Friday 26 July. Parents and carers will receive offer letters by Friday 9 August. Applications received after Friday 26 July will be considered by schools as they are received.

Families with children in Year 6 will receive a Placement Information Pack in Term 2 which includes an Application for Year 7 Placement Form to be submitted by Friday 10 May.

Families applying for places at their local government school from the start of Term 2 can access the recently updated Find my School website, which gives them information on school zones.

The Find my School website allows families to find their designated neighbourhood government school and other government schools nearby – giving them clarity on options are for their children.

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parkrun 7

**Trebeck Reserve, Winchelsea
Saturday 20 April 2024**

This week 42 people completed the course through Trebeck Reserve.

Three participants ran or walked their personal best time and we had one first time parkrunner. Well done those who walked, ran or volunteered.

We had one visitor from Canberra and another from Sydney to compliment those from Victoria.

This event was made possible by the following volunteers.

* Sandra DIXON * Rob McDONALD * Murray AISBETT
* Kristen CZERKIEWICZ * Kate McINNES * Ann MORSBY
* Kathleen WALLINGTON * Mick O'MARA * Neil McINNES

Special thanks to Kathleen Wallington who travelled from Sydney by train to experience Trebeck Reserve parkrun and complete the pre-event course check. Kathleen is a longtime parkrunner who frequently travels huge distances to experience parkrun events.

Please email trebeckreserve@parkrun.com if you are able to volunteer some of your time. Tasks are simple, sociable and fun.

A summary of this week's results can be found at trebeckreserveparkrun.com.au/results Check our Facebook page for photos and further information.

If you wish to join us any Saturday morning as a walker, runner or volunteer please complete the simple online registration at parkrun.com.au/register. This only needs to be done once and can be used worldwide.

parkrun was conducted at 486 locations across Australia this week.



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Thought for the Week

"God never plows in the soul of man
Without intention, purpose and plan,
for like the farmer, God chooses a field
from which He expects
an excellent yield,
so, rejoice though your heart
be broken in two-
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**John Bader,
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Conquer the Corrugations 24

Robyn Black

April 13-14 saw the return of Conquer, and what an amazing weekend!

The Conquer concept has been around for 10 years in FNQ and is now held in East Arnhem and Victoria, with other states following soon.

‘The Awareness Walk strives to raise awareness of the ‘corrugations’ in life, support and remember those affected, and to remove the stigma that surrounds mental health. A not-for-profit event where the goal is to raise awareness and encourage people to come together as a community and to support one another.’

The weekend saw perfect weather for the over 150 people that took part in the walk over the 2 days.

This event is supported by so many and would never be possible without Community Support.

Firstly I need to thank the Conquer Team who have worked tirelessly throughout the year - Charlie, Kat, Monique, Colleen, Kerryn and Hayley - you are amazing!

Jarod for once again providing support with Kaylene from the CFA, and with back up from the Winchelsea SES. You keep the walkers and road users safe.

Winchelsea Lions Club who make the catering aspect of the walk so easy. It would be an impossible task without you.

Corey and All About Mowers for supplying a Ute and manpower to keep us on track.

Jason and Mick for your driving skills in the Bendigo Bank bus helping weary walkers and transporting people to and from Winchelsea.

Our new partner, Hesse Rural Health for sending staff along to offer free massages for those with sore muscles. Much appreciated by those lucky recipients.

Geelong Coast Hire for supplying the Portable toilets which are essential and well used.

Belgrave Hire for the warm shower to refresh the body for the second day.

Inverleigh Lions for cooking up a delicious egg and bacon breakfast to start the day.

Let’s Talk Colac for our guest speaker and some very special people that walked with us.

Lifeline Geelong for your continued support and team members for joining us.

The Winchelsea Choir for blissful singing on our arrival in Inverleigh.

Dan and Murray for your photography that captured the weekend. Dans clever use of his drone added a different perspective from above.

Emma from the Northern Territory who travelled to support the youth with games and was one of our guest speakers.

Tosh from Toshco music in Colac entertained those that stayed during the evening.

It’s a big job pulling an event like this together and as you can see by all those mentioned above, and happens because we are all passionate about mental health awareness.

Sponsorship keeps Conquer free each year, so a big Thank you to our Sponsors.

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Bendigo Bank	Winchelsea Community House of which we are an auspice group.	

We have so many photos from the weekend on our Facebook page: Conquer the Corrugations-VIC And our Instagram: conquerthecorrugationsvic

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Blues News

Janet Fletcher

Welcome to Blue's News where it has been another big week for the Winchelsea Football & Netball Club. Last Saturday the Blues hosted the Nth Geelong Magpies in the second of the twilight games for the season. 2 twilight games in a row at Eastern Reserve is a big job for the Club's volunteers but as usual they were up to the task, many putting long hours on the day.

Thank you to the Winchelsea Lions Club who took some of the pressure off the Canteen on the day by providing their "Chuck Wagon" at the ground. The Lions Club also man the gate at Eastern Reserve and have done so for many years – another way of supporting the Winchelsea Blues and taking the pressure off the volunteers at the Club. Last week we thank Murray and Don who are always in good form, no matter what the weather conditions present.

Is there anyone who may have accidentally used the Lock Box at Eastern Reserve and taken the key with them? It's very easy to put these keys in your pocket and forget to put the key back.

CONGRATULATIONS:

To Jack and Mairead O'Brian on the safe arrival of a baby daughter, little sister for Eleanor.
All doing well...

RESERVES:

**Winchelsea Blues 7.9.51 defeated
Nth Geelong Magpies 4.11 35**

The game got off to a slow start from the Blues kicking just the 1 goal to 2 goals 4 in the first quarter, and in a low scoring first half managed to peg the Magpies lead back to 6 points at half time. The second half of the game saw the Blues slowly get on top and run out winners by 16 points. Always good to get that first win for the season.

GOALS:

Jarrold Winzer 2, Angus Leigh 2, Zedaki Copland 1,
Ricci Sauni 1, Dan Luers 1.

BEST:

Luke Foot, Jackson Timms, Dan Luers, Matthew Dykes, Ricci Sauni, Angus Leigh.

Great to see so many players returning to where they played their Junior Football, Ricci Sauni and Angus Leigh running around kicking goals at Eastern Reserve. Welcome back boys.

SENIORS:

**Winchelsea Blues 7.9.51 were defeated by
North Geelong Magpies 8.14. 62.**

After kicking the first goal of the game the Blues found the going tough in the first quarter, but after that made a better effort with their team work to be just 2 points down at three quarter time, and at one stage narrowly led on the scoreboard but North Geelong proved to be too strong in the end and ran out winners by 11 points. Frustrating for both players and the Coach to have 3 narrow losses at this point in the season.

GOALS:

Jordan Gould 2, Tom Stephenson 2, Leigh Ellis 1,
Jordan Huff 1, Joshua Freeman 1.

BEST:

Cassidy Parish, Coby Eagle, Fin Parish, Jordan Gould,
Caleb Brown, Tom Stephenson.

The Winchelsea Blues welcomes back to the playing list another former Junior in Cass Parish joining brother Fin playing together – very happy to have both back with the Blues!

This week the Blues will travel to Viva Energy Oval to square off against the Corio Devils at the usual times of Reserves 12pm and Seniors at 2pm. Lets go with a sea of Blue in the crowd on Saturday.

ANZAC DAY 2024:

The W.F.N.C. is privileged to be catering for the Winchelsea R.S.L. on Thursday 25 April in the Bendigo Bank Room after the service which begins at Eastern Reserve at 10.30am.
LEST WE FORGET

THE BLUE'S BISTRO:

This Thursday night's menu we have -

Roast Pork
Flathead Tails
Hamburgers with the lot.
Served with vegetables / salad and chips
Members \$15 Non Members \$20.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL:

Last Saturday saw Junior football kick off. Our Under 10 team started at 8.30am with lots of encouragement from parents and a good crowd of spectators as well. The Blues played very well and came off the ground with a win. There is lots of improvement in this young side from last season.

Well done to everyone concerned.

GO BLUES!!

Tyler's life has been transformed through sport

Charlotte Furness

Sport is a big part of all our lives and for Tyler, who lives with a disability, it's been transformative. Supported by Leisure Networks, Tyler started playing with the Geelong Dragons six years ago. He went on to play state footy and now participates in the Kardinia Park All Abilities FNL.

"Because of footy," said Tyler, "I've met teammates and then gone on to play state footy and met team mates outside of my own footy. Even though we don't see each other every day or even for most of the year, we've got that connection for life."

"I started Auskick about nine or ten, then had a bit of a gap when I was 12/13. It was sort of hard, because after Auskick there weren't any clubs around for people with disabilities – I didn't really have anywhere to go. I tried a mainstream team, but I just knew from the start that it wasn't the right fit for me. In a mainstream club there's so much expectations, I mean in an all abilities league you still want to play footy obviously and have that competitive nature to it, but I think peer pressure is the word – there's less of that I think."

"Tyler's experience is common among young people living with disability," explained David Meade, CEO Leisure Networks. "It's something Leisure Networks has identified across multiple sporting codes. Lots of younger people living with disability are involved in junior sports, up until about 12, toward the end of primary school and as they become teenagers."

And then it becomes hard because there's nothing out there for them. We have been actively working to curb this trend through different programs and supporting local sporting clubs to build capacity for inclusion of all abilities teams. As the Official Inclusion Partner to AFL Barwon, the Kardinia Park All Abilities FNL is just one of the ways we support this."

For Tyler, and his mum Christine, footy has meant so much more than just playing sport. "It does improve your confidence with communicating in everyday life, I think," said Tyler. "It's certainly helped just going out with mates. I know my parents are still around, and they're still there to help, but I'm more confident just to hang out, outside home."

"I can see the progress," Tyler's mum Christine went on to say. "He has the strategies there and he keeps building on it. So, he's happier to give things a go and take a bit more responsibility. I feel that now he's got the skill set, and I know he's a bit more confident, that even if something did come up, I'm more confident that he will know how to deal with that and know what he needs to do. Just from being more involved around the club with teammates."



Tyler and Geelong Dragons Teammates



Tyler with Vic team

Tyler has also spent time volunteering with Newcomb FNL Auskick, and completed a coaching course as part of Leisure Networks School Leaver Employment Supports program.

"I did the coaching course because I wanted to help out people like myself in sports," explained Tyler, "particularly footy but just even in life, I think. Sometimes it can be difficult to navigate life at first but once you sort of find your purpose, I think it makes it a whole lot easier."

Tyler will be putting on his Geelong West Giants guernsey when he takes to the field in Kardinia Park All Abilities FNL Round 1 at GMHBA Stadium on Saturday April 27. He had this to say: "It's exciting and we'll hopefully play in front of a decent crowd. But I'm just looking forward to playing with my team mates again. I think that will be the best part. To have that bonding is a great thing and to experience success together, like on field and off the field as well. You cherish those moments for the rest of your life."

Pollocksford Road bridge closes

The Pollocksford Road bridge, Gnarwarre, has been closed until repairs can be made to the bridge structure. Detours are in place along Merrawarp Road.

Despite a three-tonne load limit and speed restriction of 10 km/h being put in place, heavy vehicles continued to use the bridge, placing the structure at risk.

"We really would prefer not to close the bridge as we know it will be disruptive for those that use it regularly." Surf Coast Shire General Manager Placemaking and Environment, Chris Pike said.

"We apologise for the inconvenience but we can't gamble with people's safety. We're working through the options to repair the bridge as quickly as we can and once we know construction timelines, we'll let people know."

McHarry's, who run the school buses that run along Pollocksford Road, are implementing a new school bus route for Term 2 and have notified affected parents.

Pollocksford Road bridge is on the boundary of Surf Coast Shire and Golden Plains Shire and the two councils are working closely on options.

Find out more at surfcoast.vic.gov.au/PRBridge

Pitch for the planet: Council's Climate Emergency Grants now open

If you're passionate about taking climate action, the Surf Coast Shire Council's Climate Emergency Grants are open until Sunday 12 May.

The Climate Emergency Grants give applicants an opportunity to pitch their projects to their peers, who can vote online or in person at the Pitch Fest event in June. The online voting component introduced this year is designed to give people more opportunities to garner votes.

The funding pool of \$20,000, allocated via a \$5,000 or \$10,000 grant, is awarded to the individual or groups who receive the highest number of votes.

Project ideas can be creative and take different forms, and must either reduce emissions, build resilience to our changing climate and/or mobilise our community to act.

The grant funds local initiatives that enact Goal 5 of Council's Climate Emergency Response Plan to 'empower community-led responses to the climate emergency'.

Councillor Rose Hodge said what makes the Climate Emergency Grants so unique is that the successful applicants are selected by the community. "People vote for what resonates with them, ensuring the winning projects will have the most impact."



Aireys Inlet Community Garden members
L-R Liz Wood, David Huck,
Rod Tucker, Gretel Lamont, Heather McKee



Aireys Inlet Community Garden from above,
showing new solar panels

"We encourage people who are passionate about taking climate action and making a positive impact in their community to apply."

Aireys Inlet Community Garden received a \$5000 grant last year to go off-grid. "We want to become cleaner and greener. With the grant, two members who are electrical engineers, purchased solar panels and a battery that's able to be monitored remotely," president Liz Wood said. "We purchased an electrical mower and line trimmer, and can now host workshops, including food preserving and passata making using power from the panels".

Community members can vote online for their favourite project 22-29 May and in-person at the Pitch Fest event on World Environment Day on 5 June.

Head to surfcoast.vic.gov.au/grants to apply.

VCAT to consider amended planning permit for retirement village

An amended planning permit application for a retirement village in Cypress Lane, Torquay will be considered at VCAT.

Surf Coast Shire Council decided on 16 April 2024 to support amended plans for the development. "We acknowledge the community interest in this proposal," Mayor Liz Pattison said. "The amended plans will be considered as part of the VCAT appeal, lodged by nine joint applicants and objectors following Council's original decision on the retirement village proposal."

The amended proposal - located in a Low Density Residential Zone - consists of 191 independent living units (reduced by five), 334 resident car parking spaces (reduced by 21) and 43 visitor parking spaces (increased by five). Setbacks from the western boundary, which adjoins residential land, have been reduced.

Two buildings in the south-eastern corner bordering Deep Creek have reduced from three-storey to two-storey with a maximum height of 7.39m. "The proposed development has generous boundary setbacks and landscaping plans that capitalise on existing vegetation, to respect the character of the area."

The five-day VCAT hearing is scheduled 29 April 2024.

Council to consider draft 2024-25 Budget

Surf Coast Shire Council is preparing to consider its draft 2024-25 Budget, which has a strong focus on delivering core services and investing in key facilities.

The proposed draft budget - to be considered at the 23 April 2024 Council meeting - features an ambitious \$52.4m capital expenditure program, \$11m of which is on new projects including a Great Ocean Road bike route from Duffields Road to Strathmore Drive in Jan Juc.

The remaining \$41.4m is ongoing capital works, headlined by two exciting facilities: Winchelsea Pool and Surf Coast Aquatic and Health Centre.

There is a focus on local roads and footpaths, with more than \$13 million to make it easier and safer for people to move in and around their communities. As well as sealed and unsealed road renewal across the shire, Coombes Road is planned to be widened from Ghazepoore Road to Messmate Road (\$2.2m) and numerous footpaths have upgrades planned, such as Moggs Creek's Boolooral Reserve, Anglesea's Paringa Nature Reserve, and Willis Street in Winchelsea.

Playgrounds at Moriac's Newling Reserve, Jan Juc's Bob Pettitt Reserve and Torquay's Ocean Acres, and Torquay Skate Park are just a handful of Council's community assets and facilities proposed to be renewed through a total \$19.6m.

There is \$862,000 for local initiatives to deliver Council's climate emergency response. It includes continued rollout of the solar and energy transition program (\$340,000); assessing resilient relief centres to support the community in emergencies (\$35,000); and the inaugural year of the Growing Our Urban Forest program (\$190,000).

The latter is a five-year program with a total \$1m investment that will adapt townships to help withstand the changing climate through tree planting and canopy cover.

Mayor Liz Pattison said the proposed draft budget tackles today's needs while working towards a sustainable future. "Council provides more than 100 services to the local community, and maintains over \$1 billion worth of community assets to support both the growing local population and the 2.5 million people who visit the area annually," Mayor Pattison said. "The budget is a vital annual document that helps guide what we do and why we do it. "I look forward to considering the draft budget with my fellow councillors at our April Council meeting."

The draft budget includes a proposed rate increase of 2.75% - complying with the rate cap set by the Victorian Government. Rate revenue is the major source of funding for core services and key facilities in the 2024-25 draft budget, to support the community now and into the future.

The waste service charge funds the likes of kerbside collections, waste disposal, recyclable material processing, local resource recovery centres, and Anglesea Landfill. The rural charge is proposed to increase by \$34 to \$461, as it gradually aligns to the urban garbage charge (\$495 in 2024-25) given delivery costs and services are on par.

Any proposed introduction or increase to fees and charges is to ensure that they are closer to the true cost of providing these facilities, services and programs, and that they are consistent across the shire.

A net surplus of \$8.8m is forecast for 2024-25. This is a forecast increase of \$18.2 million compared to 2023-24, driven by the transition of parcels of public land to Great Ocean Road Coast and Parks Authority in 2023-24 and an increase in government grants.

Pending Council's decision on 23 April, submissions will be invited on the draft 2024-25 budget. The submission process will be promoted on Council's communication channels and advertised in local media outlets.

View the full April Council meeting agenda and tune in to the live stream of the meeting via surfcoast.vic.gov.au/meetings.



Netball News

Claire Mawson

Winchelsea had a great Saturday evening facing off against Bannockburn in a captivating twilight match. We dedicated our round to Ed Smith who sadly passed around Christmas time last year.

U/13s –

Winchelsea 0 def by Bannockburn 43

The U/13s faced a formidable challenge when they encountered an experienced and top-age Bannockburn team, resulting in a challenging match. Despite their determination and hard work, the difference in experience and skill level was evident throughout the game. Winchelsea 13s resilience and a positive attitude, viewing the match as a valuable learning experience that will help them grow and improve in future games.

U/15s –

Winchelsea 13 def by Bannockburn 38

The girls had some great passages of play against a well-oiled Bannockburn side. Our U15's gave their all for the whole game and there was great defensive pressure across the whole court. Lexi Czerniawski and Elizabeth Humphries were a great team in the defensive circle, providing plenty of turnovers for the team.

U/17s –

Winchelsea 23 def by Bannockburn 33

A well fought out game for our girls today against last year's Grand finalists. There was some great passages of play from winch, and excellent presentations from Millie Partridge (Captain) in the ring. A slightly new look Centre court for winch combined nicely with Ash Bell dominating the centre court. Bannockburn were able to extend their lead gradually each term taking away the win by 10 goals. We haven't been that close to Bannockburn for many years. The girls are excited to have another crack at them in 11 or so weeks.

U/19s –

Winchelsea 12 def by Bannockburn 40

The newly-formed Winchelsea U/19s team, despite not having played together before, displayed moments of brilliant synergy and teamwork during their first match for the season. We continued to give Bannockburn a tough competition within the first half, however Bannockburn's fitness was something that pushed the game out within the second half.. With each game presenting opportunities for growth and cohesion, there's an exciting anticipation of witnessing how this team will gel and evolve throughout the season, promising a bright future ahead.

D Grade –

Winchelsea 38 def Bannockburn 19

Building on their exceptional performance from last week, D Grade once again displayed their determination with a victory against Bannockburn. The team's success was fuelled by strong contributions from key players such as Amanda Hillet, who skilfully controlled and maintained stability in the mid-

court, facilitating seamless feeds into the capable hands of Belinda Czerniawski, making scoring opportunities appear effortless. Chrissie Noble's outstanding defensive efforts proved instrumental, creating significant challenges for Bannockburn's shooters and disrupting their rhythm throughout the game. These standout performances collectively contributed to D Grade's well-deserved win, highlighting the team's depth and skill across different areas of the court.

C Grade –

Winchelsea 23 def by Bannockburn 32

C Grade encountered a formidable Bannockburn team whose experience ultimately proved decisive. Despite Winchelsea's unwavering effort throughout the game, our C Grade side struggled with communication issues and providing the front ball under Bannockburn's relentless pressure across the court. Sandi Bowen and leisha Brown exerted significant pressure on the Bannockburn mid-court throughout the match, disrupting their rhythm and creating turnovers for the Winchelsea team. Despite her young age in the U/15 category, Reani Mawson showcased impressive composure and skill. Her ability to maintain accuracy under pressure highlights her potential and bodes well for both her individual growth and the team's success in future games.

B Grade –

Winchelsea 50 def Bannockburn 21

B Grade swiftly regained their 2023 finalist form with a commanding victory over the youthful Bannockburn team. Kat Filice's performance stood out prominently as she seamlessly integrated with all combinations on the court, showcasing exceptional teamwork and skill. Her contribution played a crucial role in B Grade's convincing win, highlighting her versatility and ability to elevate the team's performance across different playing styles. There's a strong sense of optimism and anticipation for more impressive performances as the season progresses.

A Grade –

Winchelsea 49 def Bannockburn 33

The A Grade team once again demonstrated their consistent excellence with another impressive performance, showcasing a seamless display of skill and teamwork throughout the match. Their dominance on the court was evident as they never seemed to struggle against their opponents. The formidable strength of our main squad was on full display, supported by versatile combinations across all positions that made the team a force to be reckoned with. Meg Royal and Casey Carroll shone brightly in their roles through the centre, orchestrating plays with finesse and precision. Meanwhile, Ebony Berg emerged as the standout goal scorer, exhibiting an incredible 100% shooting accuracy that contributed significantly to the team's success. With such stellar performances from key players, the A Grade team continues to assert their dominance and set high standards for the season ahead.



Our A Grade Team after their win over Bannockburn, wearing our Ed Smith Training tops on a day to remember the young footballer

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Australian National Imams Council and the Australian Muslim community unequivocally condemn attack on Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel

Anic - Australian National Imams Council

The Australian National Imams Council (ANIC) and the Australian Muslim community unequivocally condemn the attack on Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel while delivering a mass at Wakeley's Christ The Good Shepherd Church in Sydney's west.

These attacks are horrifying and have no place in Australia, particularly at places of worship and toward religious leaders.

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We urge the community to stay calm and work together towards the safety and the security of all Australians.



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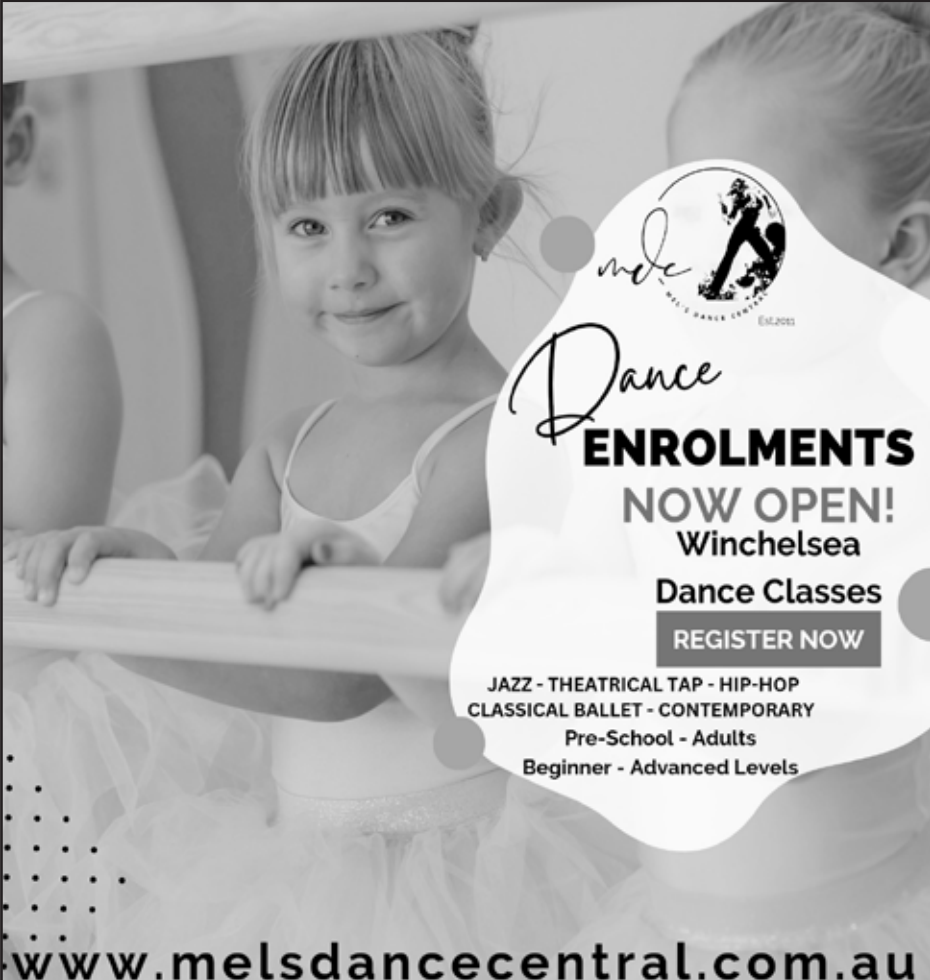
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Farewell to the Winchelsea Water Tower



Sandra Jones

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The tower and its equipment served the area well until 1939 when the river stopped running and water restrictions were imposed. Water was turned on three times per day.

The Geelong Water Board, now Barwon Water, became custodians of the tower and after some consultation decided to sell the land and thus the tower. A plaque would be erected on the site.

The tower was removed in March 1998 much to the disappointment of many locals.

A house was later built on the site after it was sold.

Support for aboriginal-led family violence programs

Victorian State Government

The State Government is making sure Aboriginal Victorians have the resources they need to tackle family violence in a culturally appropriate way.

44 Aboriginal-led projects will share in \$2.2 million to tackle family violence and released the second action plan under the Dhelk Dja: Safe Our Way – Strong Culture, Strong Peoples, Strong Families 10 Year Agreement (2018-2028).

The community initiatives grants will support culturally appropriate, community-led projects that prevent and respond to family violence in Aboriginal communities.

Dhelk Dja Action Groups are made up of Aboriginal community members and play a pivotal role in community-led responses to family violence.

Projects funded in this year's grants include:

- a prevention program that engages young people at risk of family violence and focuses on cultural connection

- women's groups supporting Aboriginal women in refuges or in prison through yarning circles
- an awareness-raising project to address violence against Aboriginal LGBTQIA+ individuals in community
- a program designed to help heal, empower, and culturally connect elders affected by family violence
- a therapeutic retreat for fathers and carers of young Aboriginal children affected by family violence.

The grants align with the strategic priorities under the world-leading Dhelk Dja agreement between Victorian Aboriginal communities, Aboriginal organisations and the Victorian Government which aims to ensure Aboriginal people, families and communities are stronger, safer and live free from the harm of family violence.

The second action plan under the Dhelk Dja agreement was developed by Aboriginal communities across Victoria and endorsed by the Koori Caucus and Dhelk Dja Partnership Forum.

The action plan focuses on Aboriginal culture and leadership, Aboriginal-led prevention, self-determining Aboriginal family violence support and services, system transformation based on self-determination and Aboriginal-led and informed innovation, data and research in addressing family violence in Aboriginal communities.

A full list of funded projects is available at vic.gov.au/aboriginal-cif.



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