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Winchelsea Lions Club working hard again for the community. This time our monthly stint at Torquay Bunnings.

Linda Carter

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From the Editor

There is plenty in this week's Winchelsea Star, with stories that reflect the people, places and activities that make Winchelsea a special place to live.

Hardyal Singh takes us behind the scenes of Community Bank Winchelsea, looking at the difference its support has made to local organisations and community projects over the years.

Thank you Alice Cloake for a tempting selection of potato recipes, and Judy Cameron for pointing out the positive effects gardening can have on our wellbeing.

Sport features strongly in this edition. Congratulations to the Winchelsea A Grade netball team on its impressive 43-32 elimination-final win over Thomson, and best wishes to our football Seniors and Reserves as they continue their finals campaigns.

Thank you to Janet Fletcher for the latest Blues news, Brian Vagg for his parkrun report, Rachel Boddington for the results from the Golf Club, and Fletcher Allen for keeping us up to date with the new season of the Tennis Club. A special thank you to Jason Nogueira for the great photographs that bring our sports pages to life.

We also remember Roger "Splinter" Mathison, whose long association with the Winchelsea Football Netball Club touched so many people. His contribution as a player, umpire, administrator, volunteer and Life Member will be remembered with great affection. Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this sad time.

And thank you to our readers and advertisers for supporting your local newspaper.

Enjoy this week's Star.

Bird Flu cases confirmed in Surf Coast Shire

Surf Coast Shire

Council is advising the community to follow the advice and directions of Agriculture Victoria, following the first confirmed cases of H5N1 avian influenza (bird flu) within the Surf Coast Shire.

H5N1 avian influenza is a viral disease that affects birds and wildlife.

It was confirmed on Wednesday that two deceased birds reported at separate locations in Torquay have tested positive for the disease.

While the risk to human health remains low, Agriculture Victoria – the lead agency in the response to the Victorian outbreak – advises people not to touch sick or dead birds or wildlife, and to report suspected cases as soon as possible.

What to do if you find a dead or sick bird

Agriculture Victoria advises to:

- Avoid touching or handling sick or dead birds or wildlife;
- Avoid direct contact with birds and their droppings;
- Record what you see, including the location and the number of birds affected;
- Report clusters of five or more sick or dead wild birds of any species; and
- Report even a single sick or dead seabird, waterbird, shorebird, bird of prey, seal or dolphin.

Reports can be made online via Agriculture Victoria's wildlife reporting form or to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.



Winchelsea Farewells 'Splinter'

Lesley Mathison

Last week a huge crowd gathered at the Hub at Eastern Reserve to celebrate the life of Roger Mathison, fondly known as 'Splinter' or 'Splint' to his friends.

Aaron Hille, celebrant from Tuckers Funeral Services, welcomed everyone and spoke about Roger's life - born in Geelong on 1st April 1948, growing up on the family property, Kirriemuir, with his 3 older siblings, attending Wurdi Boluc primary school, then Belmont High School and going on to do Wool Classing at the Gordon Institute. He loved motor bikes, cars and was often seen in his red F100 or multi coloured Zephyr around Winchelsea, often with his beloved border collies hanging out the back!

Aaron amused the crowd when he spoke about some of Splinter's antics and practical jokes, as he always liked to make people laugh. As well as his wool classing, he had many other jobs - chicken grower, truck driver, fencer, cleaner. In 1976, he met Lesley (Winzar), a teacher who had come from Melbourne to teach at the Winch Primary school, at the Winchelsea Football Club presentation night at the Globe Theatre. They travelled overseas together in 1980, were married at Kirriemuir in 1982 and had four children - Leah, Byron, Cara and Eliza.

He loved his family dearly and was a very proud father and Pa, to his 5 grandchildren.

His other love was the Winchelsea Football Netball Club, where he was a player, boundary umpire, administrator, cleaner, fruit supplier and Life Member. Many remember him in his white shorts and T-shirt, bare feet, long hair flowing, running the boundary. He loved watching his girls representing the club playing netball and Byron playing football in both juniors and seniors. He was super proud when Byron (Bozz) was chosen in the GDFL team of the millennium at the recent 150th celebration.

His brother Stewart spoke about life growing up on the family farm, riding bikes to scouts, young farmer's days and helping care for their father Russell when his health deteriorated. His daughters Eliza, Cara and Leah spoke about their loving and devoted Dad, some of his 'unique and often cryptic' Dad jokes and some of his quirky, often OCD behaviours!



Roger 'Splinter' MATHISON

1/4/1948 - 12/8/2026

Some of Roger's favourite music played as an array of photos from early days through to later years we're displayed on the big screen.

It was a beautiful celebration of a life well lived and the family is so grateful to the many wonderful friends, the whole community and the Winchelsea Football Netball Club for the overwhelming support of their Dad, Husband, Pa and good mate!

He will be remembered always as a gentleman, well mannered, a generous and kind soul, who enjoyed a good joke a laugh and a beer! He will be dearly missed by his family and the entire Winchelsea community.

Rest In Peace Splinter

Both Reserves and A-Grade win their Elimination Finals at St. Albans Reserve

Photos: Sharon

NETBALL RESULTS

WFNC A Grade defeated Thomson with a final score of 43 to 32

FOOTBALL RESULTS

WFNC Reserves defeated Bannockburn FNC with a final score of 9.7 (61) to 6.8 (44)



Have you got a fire plan?

Kaylene Stocks
Winchelsea Captain

A message to our community
from our Fire Captain

One thing I've noticed is that many people in town don't have a fire plan. They often believe it's something only people living in heavily forested areas or on rural properties need to think about.

But recent fires around the world have shown us that entire towns can be affected.

If a fire threatened our community, would you know what to do? Would your family? Would your neighbours?

You could be at work, your partner could be elsewhere, and your children could be at school. Having a plan in place before an emergency happens is one of the most important things you can do.

Please take the time to sit down with your family and talk through your options. A well-thought-out plan could save lives.

For information and guidance, visit the CFA website and start building your fire plan today.

**AT HOME**
What will you do?
Where will you go?
What will you take?

**AT WORK**
Do your work
colleagues know
your plan?

**SCHOOL**
Do you know the
school's emergency
plans for your kids?

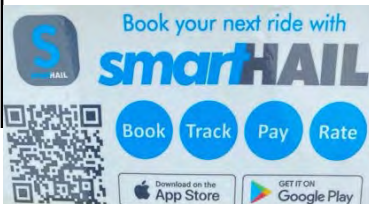
**NEIGHBOURS**
Have you talked to
your neighbours?
How will you look
out for each other?

Winchelsea Taxis is now Surfcoast Taxis

Our fleet of vehicles are growing to all late models and we are covering an extended area including Winchelsea, Colac, Bannockburn, Inverleigh, Great Ocean Road and Geelong.

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ANNOUNCE**

**DR ALICIA BARRETT WILL
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LEAVE ON**

MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

Alicia will be available
Mondays & Tuesdays 9am - 3pm
To book call 52672071
www.winchelseadental.com.au



Local News Spotlight

Applications open for Community Bank grants

Hardyal Singh

Winchelsea community groups and not-for-profit organisations are being urged to apply for the latest round of funding from the Bendigo Community Bank.

Applications opened this month for those seeking grants to support worthwhile projects or initiatives that benefit the local community.

Corangamite Financial Services, the company that operates Community Bank Surf Coast and its branches in Winchelsea and Anglesea, has provided more than \$4 million in funding for community projects over the past 20-odd years.

It's a proud history for a bank that was established purely as an effort to restore banking services to Winchelsea.

"Winch was a bit of a classic community bank story, where two existing major banks here in the town left it pretty well at the same time, which was in the early 2000s," senior branch manager Jeremy Morris said.

The closures left Winchelsea without a bank at a time when physical banking remained an important part of everyday life.

"Things weren't as digital in those days, so people were coming to the banks to cash their wages and do their deposits, and there was a lot more cash and requirements for physical banking," Ms Morris said.

"People from Winchelsea had to then travel to Colac and Geelong to do their banking, which put a big hole in the retail landscape

because they took their retail dollar with them, so other shops were suffering as a result."

A group of local residents familiar with Bendigo Bank's community banking model decided to bring the model to Winchelsea.

More than two decades later, the bank says it has returned more than \$4 million to the community through grants, sponsorships and other investments.

One of the bank's early major contributions came through a partnership with Hesse Rural Health, helping support the expansion of dementia care in Winchelsea.

A 2010 media release says the bank underwrote a loan and contributed \$100,000 to help ensure local residents had access to allied health and nursing services. The partnership helped provide the Winchelsea community with 10 additional hospital beds for dementia patients, and also supported a new medical centre in Moriac.

Former chairman of the community bank board John Tebbutt said the hospital approached the bank when it was struggling to secure funding for the dementia wing. It had a license to operate 12 beds for a dementia wing but risked losing it if the necessary work was not completed within a certain timeframe.

"They didn't have enough funding, and they couldn't get any funding from the federal or the state government," Mr Tebbutt said.

The hospital asked the fledgling community bank for \$300,000 to help construct the facility, but the amount was difficult for the bank to provide in its early years.

Instead, the bank offered \$100,000 each year for three years as an alternative.

FACT BOX

What you need to know to apply for Community Bank funding

Funding priorities:

- Community Resilience and Development
- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Economy and Innovation
- Environment
- Digital Empowerment

To apply you must be:

- An organisation with an ABN/ACN or an incorporated association (unincorporated bodies need to be auspiced by an incorporated body) located in the areas surrounding our branch network within the Surf Coast region.
- Or an organisation with a project partner (if it is not an incorporated organisation). A project partner is an incorporated community group or not for profit organisation that is willing to enter into the funding agreement on your behalf and help you to deliver the project.
- Bank with Community Bank Surf Coast (Winchelsea & Anglesea Branches), unless exempt under state government

legislation or be prepared to move your banking to one of our branches.

You can't apply if you are:

- Individuals or unincorporated organisations without an eligible project partner.
- For-profit organisations.
- Organisations without a direct connection to the local area.
- Individuals.

How much can you apply for:

- Contact the Community Engagement Advisor, Volunteer Directors or Branch Managers for guidance on how much you should apply for.

What can funds be used for:

- Funds can be used for projects which align with the areas of priority or are for the betterment of the community.
- You must provide details in the application of how the funding will be used.
- Funds can not be used to support operational expenses.
- The funding must be used for a specific program or project that has clear objectives and benefits.

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"That then guaranteed the build, the dementia wing got built and I think it cost us \$200,000. They didn't need the extra hundred (thousand)," Mr Tebbutt said.

Former member of the Hesse Rural Health board and a founding director of the community bank, Jenny Mathison, said the bank's contribution had a long-term impact.

"The bank's involvement in the last-minute (government) changes for the new dementia wing at Hesse will forever be appreciated," Ms Mathison said.

The bank has continued to invest in local organisations, with one of its largest recent contributions going to WinAngLo Inc and its Winchelsea Community Village.



Key stakeholders at the retirement village the Winchelsea Community Bank helped to fund.

Photo: Supplied by Winchelsea Community Bank

The community village, which opened in October 2025, includes 10 retirement properties.

Victorian Parliamentary documents suggest the Surf Coast Shire Council sold WinAngLo a 3100sqm vacant block of land in the heart of Winchelsea for \$1 in January 2022 and the State Government provided \$500,000 for initial feasibility assessments, planning processes and cultural heritage works. John Knuckey, chairperson of WinAngLo and chair of the executive committee for the Winchelsea Community Bank, said the community bank provided \$1 million to the project.

The investment is an example of how the community bank model allows locally generated profits to be directed towards projects within the community.

Not all projects have to be as big as the retirement village or dementia wing – smaller community initiatives can be eligible for funding.

Branch manager Matilda Pink said the Winchelsea branch operates as a franchise of Bendigo Bank, but its ownership ultimately sits with local shareholders.

The model also determines how profits are distributed.

"We receive 50 per cent of the profit that we make off each product. We pay our own bills as a franchisee, and then after we've got everything sorted, the rest of the money goes back into the community," Ms Pink said.

To apply for a grant, or to find out more about sponsorships or scholarships, go to: <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/vic/community-bank-winchelsea-district/>

'Don't buy a regret' Used car campaign

Victorian Government

'Don't Buy a Regret' Consumer Affairs Vic advertising campaign has been launched to raise awareness of motorists' rights when buying a used car.

More than two thirds of young Victorians have bought a used car, and many are unaware of what to check before they buy, or what to do if something goes wrong after the sale.

More than half used car sales are made through private sellers, and private purchasers often have no protections such as a statutory warranty that may apply when buying from a motor car trader.

Nearly a third of used cars are advertised online with odometers wound back at least 25,000 kilometres. Now traders will be required to check the odometer before sale.

The reforms also create a single point of contact for Victorians who've been ripped off and tighten the rules on auction houses.

For more information on the campaign visit consumer.vic.gov.au/buying-a-used-car.

PopUp Cinema

Gremlins

Fri Sept 11th 6.30pm

At The **The Globe Theatre** Winchelsea

Tickets @ geelongdrivein.com.au/tickets

Presented By **Geelong Drive-In & Movies on the Move**



Services & Groups

VLIN TRAIN SERVICES

TO MELBOURNE:

Mon - Fri 6.41 (coach) 08.07 11.07 14.03
16.57 19.15

Sat - Sun 8.29 10.28 14.02 16.55 19.14

TO WARRNAMBOOL:

Mon - Fri 8.56 11.50 14.44 17.30 (coach)
18.42 20.52

Sat - Sun 9.42 11.40 14.45 18.37 20.37

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION



7pm second Wed of month
Winchelsea Senior Citizens'
36 Harding St Winchelsea

Winchelsea and District

PROBUS CLUB

Senior Citizens Rooms,
36 Harding St Winchelsea
New members welcome.
Lorraine 0417 467 927



SURF COAST MOBILE LIBRARY

Cnr Princes Highway & Hesse St,
Fridays 2pm-5pm

Parked in Hesse Street (outside Shire Hall)
Fridays 2:00 - 5:00pm NOT Public Holidays

WINCHELSEA TRANSFER STATION

55 Cressy Road, Winchelsea

Tuesday 2pm-4pm

Saturday 1.30-3.30pm

Thursday 2pm-4pm

Sunday 9.30-12.30pm

Closed Christmas Day, open public holidays.
www.surfcoast.vic.gov.au/disposalsites

WINCHELSEA PLAYGROUP

Every second Thursday 10am-12pm
St Thomas Anglican Church Hall
cnr Barwon Tce & Hopkins St, Winchelsea
Danni Menzies 0432019944
winchelseaplaygroup@gmail.com
Facebook - Winchelsea Playgroup 2019
New families welcome

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Girls 6yrs-15yrs Welcome!
Mondays 4.30pm-6pm (school terms)
Catholic Church Hall, Harding St
*Fun, friendship, adventure. Teamwork,
leadership skills, achieve goals, improve
communities and grow in confidence.*
3 FREE sessions to come along and try.
Yvonne 0448 672 630



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Email editor@winchelseastar.org.au or
leave a note at Winchelsea IGA

WINCHELSEA COMMUNITY OP-SHOP

The Winchelsea Community Op Shop
will be taking a 2 week break,
re opening on Friday 28th August.
Short break for our volunteers to re charge
for the rest of the year.
Please do not leave any donations
out in the street.

1ST MODEWARRE SCOUT GROUP

Exciting programs for Joeys,
Cubs and Scouts.
Vacancies at Joey and Cub levels,
and plenty of room at Scouts.
Marie McPadden 0409 330 147

PHOTOS WANTED

Volunteers to take photos at the Blues
games for the rest of the year for our
Winchelsea Star articles

DIAMOND DOT DAY

Saturday 12th September
11.00 am till 4pm
Senior Citizens Rooms
Harding Street Winchelsea
See you there

BBQ'S OUTSIDE WINCHELSEA IGA

Starting again on the first Saturday of
September, 9 - 12pm, and every first
Saturday over the spring summer
period. Come along and support these
hard working people
and our local community.

PINE CONES FOR FIRE PITS \$5

Winchelsea Lions Club
Contact Ray 0406 371 239

WINCHELSEA PICKLEBALL

Leisure Time Centre, Gosney St.
Wed 7 to 8-30pm, Thurs 10 to 11 am.
Great fun, everything supplied,
good cardio workout.
Please wear sneakers.
Lesley Mathison 0438 672 197
Mary Parish 0428 887 219

IGA NOTICE BOARD

Volunteers keep the
IGA Notice Board up to date.
Anything you wish to promote
please leave at the IGA.
Please limit to no larger than A4.
Displayed for a month,
other than business cards.

STITCH IT, DON'T DITCH IT

Finished articles for sale in the Display
Cabinet at Reception Winch House.
The Group meets every Wednesday
9am-2pm at Winchelsea House.

ABC NEWS REGIONAL CONTENT SHARING

Please note the Winchelsea Star
has been accepted into a ABC News
Regional Content Sharing pilot which
allows up to 40 local news providers in
regional Australia to republish digital
articles relating to public emergencies.



**DEFIBRILLATORS
IN WINCHELSEA**
Accessible to the public
24 hours a day

Winchelsea Lions Club
has compiled a list of public access
defibrillators in Winchelsea.
If you know others, please contact
Linda Carter 0439 817 263.

- Ambulance Victoria 33 Willis St
- Bendigo Bank 11 Main St
- Globe Theatre (Side) 17 Willis St
- Hesse Rural Health 8 Gosney St

- Men's Shed 51 Hesse St
- Modewarre Hall (Porch)
- Netball Courts Hopkins St
- Senior Citizens Club 36 Harding St
- Uniting Church 33 Hesse St
- Winchelsea Bowls Club Hesse St
- Winchelsea Golf Club 13 Anderson St
- Winchelsea Primary School Main St
- Wurdale Memorial Hall 220 Wurdale Rd

Calling all nature lovers – be part of our 2027 calendar!

Trust for Nature

Thank you to the photographers featured in this year's 2026 calendar, and to the hundreds of voters who helped select the final images. We were inspired by the fantastic array of entries from echidnas and wallabies to landscapes and fungi.

This year, we again invite you to share your photos to help celebrate the remarkable natural environments on your property and across Victoria's private land.

From wonderful wildlife sightings to spectacular scenery, we are looking for images that reflect the character and diversity of Victoria's natural landscapes on private land that we're working together to protect forever.

Whether you are an experienced photographer or hobbyist, we encourage you to capture your connection to nature and share it with us, we'd love to see your take on Victoria's natural wonders. We will then accept votes from across the Trust for Nature community to determine the final selections for the 2027 calendar that best reflect Habitat Forever.



How to Enter:

Entries open: Wednesday 5 August, 2026

Entries close: Monday 31 August, 2026

Submit your entry using the form online <https://trustfornature.org.au/2027-calendar-competition/>

Photos must be high resolution and suitable for printing:

- Landscape format
- Minimum dimensions 297 x 210 mm (approx. 2480 x 3508 pixels)
- 300DPI

New train timetable on the Warrnambool line!



MONDAY to FRIDAY

SATURDAY, SUNDAY

Winchelsea to Colac/Warrnbl	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	COACH TO COLAC	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN
Winchelsea 23/8/26	8.56	11.50	14.44	17.30	18.38	20.51	9.42	11.40	14.45	18.37	20.37

MONDAY to FRIDAY

SATURDAY, SUNDAY

Winchelsea to Geel/Melb	COACH TO W/PONDS, GEELONG	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN	TRAIN
Winchelsea 23/8/26	6.41	8.07	11.07	14.03	16.57	19.15	8.29	10.28	14.02	16.55	19.14

Join us.

A role for everyone



Nationally accredited training to help our community.
Pop in to meet your crew **Wednesdays 7:30pm**

Winchelsea Unit

325 Mousley Drive

132 500



JUNIOR COME AND TRY DAY

 Sunday
30th August

 From
11am

 Eastern Reserve
Winchelsea

We are looking to recruit players for the U11 & U13 competition. Boys and Girls welcome!

For any questions, please contact Heather on 0434 021 064

 Register via the QR code or on the day!

Sausage Sizzle provided

Business Support on Offer

Surf Coast Shire

Business owners from Winchelsea and surrounds can receive expert advice and training at an action-packed day on **Wednesday 9 September**.

Organised by Surf Coast Shire Council's **Business Support team**, local business operators are invited to participate at Winchelsea Shire Hall:

- **Small Business Bus** Book a 45-minute confidential session to receive tailored advice to help you start, build or transform your small business. 10am and 4pm.
- **Social Media and Content Marketing workshop** For small business owners and entrepreneurs who will develop a social media and marketing plan with compelling content to attract more customers. 9.30am - 12.30pm. Limited to 30.
- **Chat with the Surf Coast Business Support team** Drop in to talk with Council's Business Support officers about how Council can help you: from networking opportunities and grants programs, to permit advice. 8.30am - 9.30am.

There is no cost to attend. Registrations are essential via surfcoast.vic.gov.au/business.

Business owners are invited to the next workshop in Council's Better Business Skill series 'The Turning Point: finding your path to growth'. The interactive session will be presented by mentor and consultant Adrian Jobson.

Surf Coast Shire Council Torquay on Thursday 3 September 9am - 12.30pm. There is no cost to attend.

Winchelsea Community Op Shop Donations

Chez Mawson



10 Willis Street, Winchelsea 5267 1200

When making a donation, please check in with the main shop volunteers who will assist.

We accept clean, undamaged and usable items.

Non acceptable items Televisions, computers and keyboards. A list is provided near the storage shed.

At times we need to put a hold on certain items, and /or the amount of donations per donar, this is due to a glut of stock at the time and is only temporary.

We cannot accept dirty, damaged or incomplete goods. Rubbish removal for us of these items is costly and decreases the funds available to support the community projects.

A big Thankyou to everyone who has supported our op shop over the years.



Community PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS EVENING

Wednesday 9th September 2026

6:30pm – 9:00pm
Finger food from 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

Where: Geelong High School Hall
corner Garden & Ryrie Streets East Geelong

Come along, bring your partner / friends, and hear about early prostate cancer detection from medical experts and local men – it's free!

Geelong Prostate Support Group

Proudly affiliated with Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia





Victorian Skills & Careers Expo

Wednesday 26 August 2026 ·
10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Melbourne Convention & Exhibition
Centre, 1 Convention Centre Place,
South Wharf VIC 3006

The Victorian Skills & Careers Expo brings together over 50 Registered Training Organisations, TAFEs, and employers under one roof. Discover apprenticeship opportunities, speak with industry professionals, and find out how VET can launch your career. Ideal for school leavers, career changers, and parents.

National Skills Week: Showcasing diverse education pathways

“This year ‘Life Changing’ is the theme of National Skills Week which provides an important focal point to address the severe labour shortages in residential building by raising the profile of Vocational Education and Training,” stated Housing Industry Association Managing Director Jocelyn Martin.

“To build the homes Australia needs we must elevate the status, value and profile of vocational education and training. Misconceptions about trade and skills-based careers must be challenged and the diverse education pathways showcased. National Skills Week is an opportunity to address industry needs by challenging perceptions, highlighting diversity and empowering individuals.

It also means highlighting the broad range of career pathways available, from traditional trades to emerging fields such as green energy, modern methods of construction and prefabrication.

She Builds the Future is a HIA initiative that encourages more women and girls to explore rewarding careers in the residential building industry. Through education, industry engagement, events and training opportunities, the program showcases the diverse career pathways available in construction and inspires the next generation of talent to consider a future in the sector.

Swooping season ahead

DEECA

Heading into spring, take simple steps to stay safe around magpies and other swooping birds.

Swooping is a natural and temporary behaviour that some native birds use to protect their eggs and chicks during the breeding season. It is their way of telling you to keep your distance.

While being swooped can feel unsettling, it is rare for birds to make contact, with incidents occurring in urban and rural areas, including parks, gardens, playgrounds, roadsides and shared walking and cycling paths.

Some birds within a species are more aggressive than others. The presence of magpies or other birds commonly associated with swooping does not necessarily mean you will be swooped.

The behaviour is usually short-lived and ends once young birds have left the nest.

Report swooping incidents to Victoria's interactive swooping bird map at <https://www.wildlife.vic.gov.au/managing-wildlife/swooping-birds>.

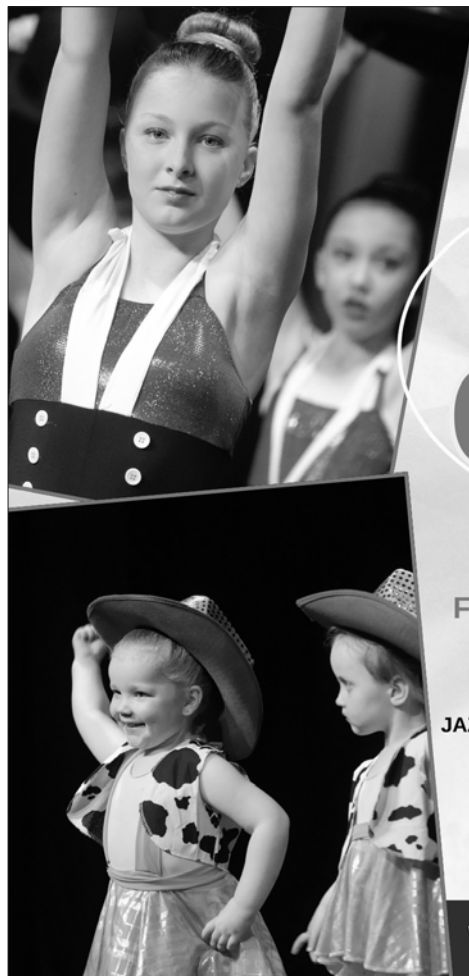


Reduce the risk of being swooped by:

- avoiding known swooping hotspots
- moving quickly and calmly through the area rather than running
- wearing protective head and eye coverings when needed
- avoiding harassing birds, which can increase defensive behaviour
- not feeding birds or disturbing nests.

All native wildlife is protected under Victorian law. Harassing, harming or disturbing native birds and other wildlife is illegal and penalties apply.

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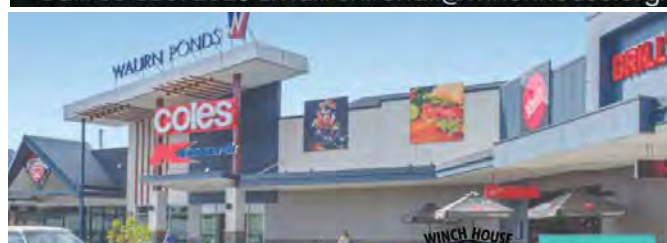
Hesse Street, Winchelsea

Register here: <https://shortcoursesau.edu.au/onsite-responsible-service-of-alcohol-winchelsea-community-house-24919>

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Questions? Contact Peter: 0407 844 643.



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Winchelsea Movie Club

Judy Cameron

I attended my first Winchelsea Movie Club event last Thursday evening watching 'Rachel's Farm', a documentary about actress and director Rachel Ward's personal journey from conventional farming to championing regenerative agriculture on her property in Nambucca Valley after the devastating 2019 bushfires.

There is something special about watching a good movie with a group AND discussing it afterwards with a delectable supper including wine.



Movies are shown on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Globe Theatre 17-19 Willis Street Winchelsea.

Come early — the club recommends being seated before the 7:30 pm start.

The next movies: (with an extra on Oct 1st)

September 17th	The Book Thief
October 1st	Gifted Hands
October 15th	Mr Burton
November 19th	My Favourite Cake
December 10th	Thelma

Contact the club via
movies@growingwinchelsea.com to find
out how to join.

FACT BOX

Winchelsea Movie Club is good value:
10 movies for the year: \$70
Health Care Card concession: \$65
5-movie season: \$40
Health Care Card concession: \$35
Guests: members can bring up to two
guests a year; suggested donation \$10
per guest.

The price includes the movie and the light
supper afterwards, including tea/coffee
and wine.

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Kaylene ♥



This is a place for passionate foodies. Here we celebrate local produce, seasonal ingredients, simple yet remarkable recipes we've tried, tested and loved.

Alice Cloake



If you have a recipe you'd like to share, a local product to shout out or a suggestion for an upcoming ingredient of the month - we'd love to hear from you.

Email editor@winchelsea.org.au.

August Ingredient of the month Potato



Potatoes are that wonderful type of ingredient that requires little fussing to make delicious. This week, we finish our month of potatoes with two simple recipes. One is from the Chez Panisse Cafe Cookbook and the other is from a copy of the 'Winchelsea Star Recipe Book', printed in 2000 and generously gifted for contribution here.

CRISPY PAN-FRIED POTATOES

from Chez Panisse Cafe Cookbook
Serves 4 to 6.

Ingredients

3 pounds medium-size Yellow Finn or russet potatoes
2 cups clarified butter, duck fat, or peanut oil
Salt and pepper
1 garlic clove, peeled
Small handful parsley sprigs

Method

Peel the potatoes and cut them into $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch cubes. Boil them in a large pot of generously salted water until they are tender when pierced with a knife, but still retain their shape. Drain and cool.

Warm an 8-inch cast-iron pan over medium heat. When the pan is hot, add 1 cup clarified butter and heat until the surface of the butter just begins to ripple. Add enough potatoes to cover the bottom of the pan and fry them undisturbed until they begin to brown.

Carefully turn the potatoes and continue to cook, shaking the pan occasionally, until they are golden on all sides, about 10 minutes.

Drain on absorbent paper and keep warm in a low oven. Repeat the process for the second batch of potatoes.

Just before serving, finely chop together the garlic and parsley. Pile the potatoes onto a warm platter, sprinkle with salt, freshly milled pepper, and the garlic and parsley, and serve.

PINK-EYE POTATO CRISPS

from Winchelsea Star Recipe Book
Serves 4

Ingredients

4 medium (425g) pink-eye potatoes
cooking oil spray

Method

Slice unpeeled potato thinly, rinse well, pat dry with absorbent paper.

Line oven trays with baking paper, place slices in single layer on trays. Spray with oil.

Bake in hot oven about 20 minutes or until crisps are browned and crunchy.



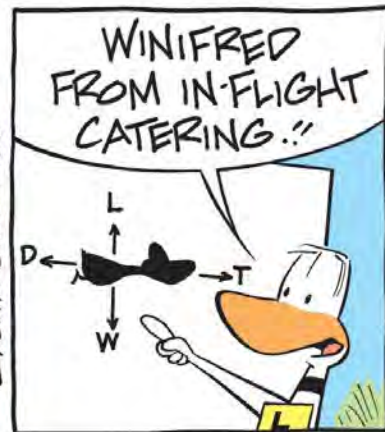
Pink Eye Potato

The potato is a starchy tuberous vegetable native to the Americas that is consumed as a staple food in many parts of the world.

Wild potato species can be found from the southern United States to southern Chile. Genetic studies show that the cultivated potato has a single origin, in the area of present-day southern Peru and extreme northwestern Bolivia. Potatoes were domesticated there about 7,000–10,000 years ago.

The Spanish introduced potatoes to Europe in the second half of the 16th century from the Americas. Following centuries of selective breeding, there are now over 5,000 different varieties.

Wikipedia



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Camping in the Flinders Ranges & Lake Eyre

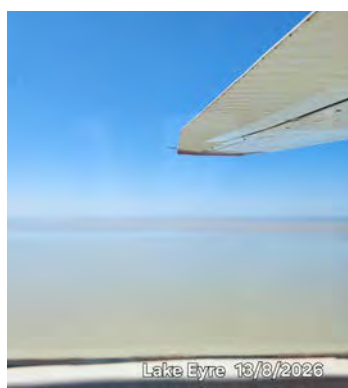
Julia Holohan

We recently had a week camping at Rawnsley Park station in the Flinders Ranges. Arriving with the flash flooding that caused the closure of most of the roads in the area, Sunday 9th August.



We had driven through fog and rain to be greeted by a fast flowing flooded creek to cross! The station had a fellow on the other side to guide us through with hand signals - right, left & a curling of his hand towards him for us to keep straight & move forward so, it was into 4WD and away we went with the muddy water splashing well up the sides of our car. With the water rising around 2 inches each half an hour it wasn't long before they closed the crossing until the waters subsided a little, 24hrs later. The rest of the ranges roads were closed for a week or more.

We had booked a flight over Lake Eyre for the Thursday, now the waiting game began. It was, foggy, cold, wet, windy and rain. With our fingers crossed that the weather would clear enough for our flight we spent the few days before taking the walks we were allowed to take within the station, the rain had made some walks too dangerous & were closed.



Such a beautiful sight with the native bushes beginning to show their spring blooms. Hop bushes flowering pale red / pink colours.

Yellow cassia, blue Vervain, mauve sessifolius & yellow acacias from their prickly leaves to those with a smoother leaf.

The purple flowers of "Patterson's Curse" happily growing along the moist waterways. In South Australia it's known as "Salvation Jane" where the farmers are happy for it to grow as it can be a source of food for their stock in the dry seasons. In Victoria, it's referred to as "Patterson's Curse" as it can take over good pastures here.



Plenty of creek crossings, hopping from rock to rock and hoping to make it across without a wobbly rock & plonking your foot in the water!

Groves of the native Cypress Pines and lichen covered rocks to admire. All with a magnificent rugged backdrop of bluffs and mountains, sometimes with a veil of fog descending around their peaks.



Not many birds, maybe because of the excessive rain and wind. We did have a camp bird, an apostle bird, picking up any loose crumbs. A couple of maggies with their beautiful morning warbling and a few parrots which I think were the Colourful parrots, with pale green to yellow tones.

Thursday was perfect weather for our flight, for four of us and the pilot in a tiny little plane.

Seeing the ranges from above was spectacular especially with the waterways rushing through them. Then across the flat desert area which was turning shades of green rather than the usual browns. Over mining areas, outback towns & small hamlets, roads; long and straight then, the sight to behold of Lake Eyre and its coloured waters. Salt, tiny micro organisms & evaporation causes the changes in colour; greens, blues & pinks.

We could spot a pelican colony and were above them as they flew in formation. Their island colony is protected so we couldn't get close but, strained our eyes for a better look at the black & white dots below.

Lunch at the Williams Creek pub then, just as many stunning sights on the flight back to camp, sorting all the photos we took and relishing the memory of that flight to take back home with us.

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Digi Tech



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Our Prep to 2 students have completed their Online Safety unit, exploring ways to make positive, responsible and safe choices when using digital technologies. To wrap up the unit, our Grade 1/2 students prepared their own video news bulletins to educate others about the best ways to stay safe online.

In Grades 3 to 6, students have begun exploring User Interface Design. Grade 3/4 students are focusing on app design, learning about user interfaces and how they can help users navigate an app and complete tasks effectively. Grade 5/6 students are taking on the challenge of designing their own theme park website. They have been using spreadsheets to research and compare existing theme park websites, as well as developing user profiles to help guide their design decisions.



PLEASE JOIN US AT WINCHELSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR OUR PREP 2027 PARENT/CARER SESSIONS.

These sessions are created for all guardians of our incoming Prep cohort. Listen to our Leadership Team give insight into what to expect socially, emotionally and academically in the first year of school for your child.

PREP AT WINCHELSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSION

- Understand what a school day looks like for your child.
- Hear from our Learning Specialist about the important learning that takes place in Prep.
- Explore the programs and teaching pedagogies in place at WPS.
- Meet our Wellbeing Leaders to listen to the adjustments that are made to create our inclusive environment at WPS.
- Discuss the social and emotional complexities of beginning school for your child and family.



SESSION INFORMATION

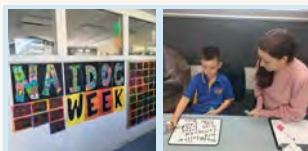
Session One - NIGHT:
Thursday 26th November
5:00pm-6:00pm

OR

Session Two - DAY:
Friday 27th November
8:45am-9:45am

at
Winchelsea Primary School
(Coffee/Tea provided).

Parents/Carers are required to attend one of the available sessions (not both sessions).



Please call the School Office 5267 2134 to confirm your attendance. We are looking forward to supporting you and your child in the transition to Winchelsea Primary School for 2027.

2027 PARENT/CARER SESSIONS



PREP 2027

Our Dates



Friday 30th October @WPS:
Session 1 @ WPS 8:45am-10:30am



Friday 13th November @WPS:
Session 2 @ WPS 8:45am-10:30am



Friday 27th November @WPS:
Session 3 @ WPS 8:45am-11:15am



Tuesday 8th December @WPS:
Transition Day @ WPS 8:45am-3:00pm with class teacher for 2026.



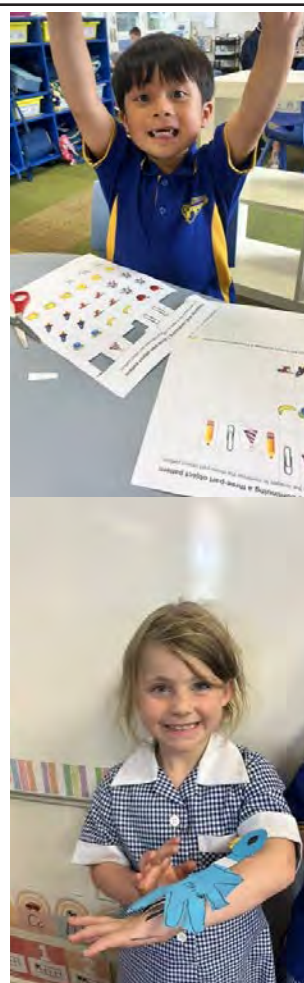
Wednesday 9th December @WPS:
Parent Entry Interviews with your child's class teacher. Time slots to be confirmed.



Kinder Buddy Visits @ HMK & JEL:
Students in Grade 6 2027 will be visiting all Winchelsea kinder groups throughout the year, making connections to their new Prep buddies. Buddies will be confirmed by Transition Day.

**BE SAFE BE KIND
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Winchelsea Primary School
Office hours - 8:30am-4pm
Phone - 5267 2134
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winchelsea.ps@education.vic.gov.au



1st Modewarre Scout Group

Marie McPadden OAM, Group Leader
mcpadden630@bigpond.com



Snow Day at Joeys

A few weeks ago, our Joeys arrived at the hall to discover a blizzard had hit INSIDE the hall. There was great excitement with snow fights immediately the order of the day.

Of course we did Snow Angels, and had toboggan races, threw snowballs and made snow men. Mostly, we just played.

One of our Joeys, Ruby, said that she had actually been to the snow, caught the ski lift on her own and skied back down. So that deserved a badge.

Then Bowie said he was going to the snow the following weekend. We expected a report of snow fun, but he was way more impressed with their accommodation – the most comfortable beds he had ever slept in, the softest pillows – like clouds, the amazing food!

It took a while to find that he did do enough snow activities to earn his badge, but they didn't rate very highly.



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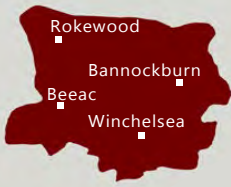
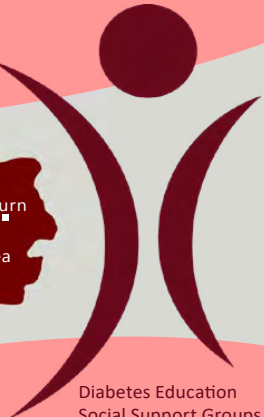
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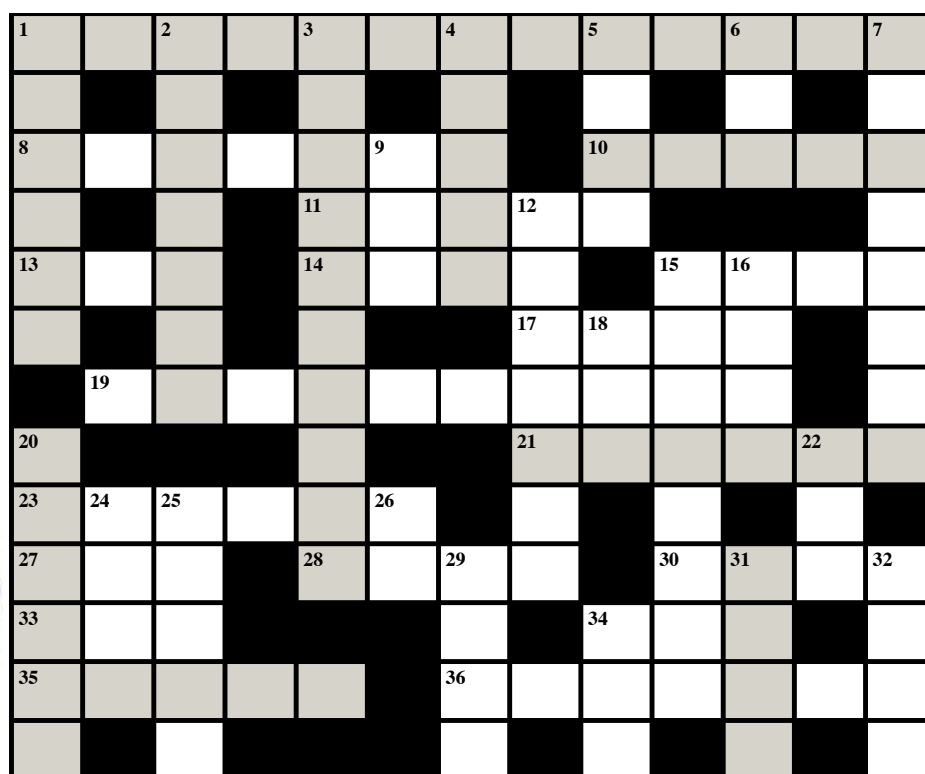
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Winchelsea Crossword No 8 Set by Greg Ware

Grey squares relate directly to Winchelsea. Solution p.32



ACROSS	DOWN
1 What has been obscured from the attached pic. (6,7)	1 Small street amongst the shops in Winch
8 Satan	2 Locality east of Winch
10 Winch petrol brand	3 & 21 ac Current usage of the pictured building
11 Proprietor	4 Beach town south of Winch
13 Fish	5 Tolerate
14 Encounter	6 Viper
15 Crush an insect	7 Christmas period
17 Detest	9 Female sheep
19 Out of control emotionally	12 Morally acceptable
21 See 3 down	15 Quality
23 Decouple	16 Red, raised skin mark
27 Female forename	18 High card
28 Christmas	20 Locality NW of Winch
30 Upon	22 Brazilian city (abbrev)
33 Ventilate	24 Spike
34 Prefix meaning either forward or in favour of	25 Water bird
35 See 31 down	26 Boxing outcome (inits)
36 Forward movement of a boat	29 Reverberate
	31 & 35 across Other prominent building beside 1 across
	32 Settles a debt
	34 Wadding

What's on

MONDAY-FRIDAY

WINCHELSEA TOY LIBRARY

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MONDAY

1ST MODEWARRE SCOUT GROUP

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Mon-Cub Scouts 8-11yo 6:30-8pm (sch term)
Venturers 15-18yo hosted by
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TUESDAY



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36 Harding St, Winchelsea
Elaine Atkinson 0458 009 616

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Tues-Joey's 5-8yo 5-6pm (sch term)
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MAT PILATES

6.30pm \$25
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28 Hesse St, Winchelsea 5267 2028

WEDNESDAY

WINCHELSEA MEN'S SHED

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Ray Atkinson 0407839139
winchmenshed@gmail.com

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE

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Jean Shinnars 52672263, 0427672263
jeanshinnars@gmail.com

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Secretary Winchelsea Mens Shed

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Venturers 15-18yo hosted by
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SURF COAST SHIRE BUSINESS SUPPORT TEAM

Wednesday 9 September
Winchelsea Shire Hall
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Zinaida Campion

‘Longing’ returns by popular demand!

There are some concerts that you finish performing and immediately think, “I’d like to do that again.” Longing was one of those concerts. When we presented it in Winchelsea on 2 May, the response was so warm that bringing it back has felt like a very natural thing to do. So, by popular demand, Longing is returning on Saturday 5 September, this time at St Paul’s Anglican Church in Geelong.

The programme is really at the heart of this concert. Longing explores that wonderfully complicated human feeling through music that moves between song, opera, operetta, musical theatre and some very familiar favourites. Helen Ling and I will be singing the exquisite Flower Duet from Delibes’ Lakmé, the beautiful Barcarolle, Puccini’s O mio babbino caro, as well as Over the Rainbow and music from The Sound of Music. It is a programme full of colour and contrast: romantic, tender, playful, nostalgic and, at times, wonderfully dramatic.



We are joined again by pianist David Stewart, whose musicianship was such an important part of the first performance. This time there is also an extra-special guest: my sister, Patty George, who will be making her Geelong concert debut. Patty is already known around town for her wonderful work playing piano for residents at Hesse Rural Health, and for playing at Sunday services at St Thomas’. She has a lovely way of connecting with people through music, and I am particularly excited to have her joining us for this performance.

St Paul’s is also a very special place to make music. The acoustics are beautiful, and there is something quite different about hearing two sopranos in that space. We are anticipating that the combination of the voices, piano and the natural resonance of the church will make this performance every bit as special as the first.

To share your stories and inspire the community, please contact Zinaida. 0428 403 784 zinaidacampion@gmail.com



For me, though, there is something bigger behind bringing Longing to Geelong. Rural Arts Victoria exists because I believe regional audiences deserve access to wonderful artists and meaningful cultural experiences. Supporting rural and regional arts cannot be stressed enough. It is not simply about putting on concerts. It is about creating opportunities for artists, developing audiences, activating beautiful spaces and making sure that exceptional music is not something people have to travel to Melbourne to experience.

And perhaps most importantly, it is about creating a culture in which people expect great things to happen in their own communities.



That is what I hope Longing will be: a beautiful afternoon of music, shared between artists and audience in a beautiful old church. If you came to the first performance, I hope you will come back and hear it again. If you missed it, this is your chance.

And if you are simply curious, come and listen. You might find yourself longing for the next one.

Ciao!

Zinaida Campion is a classical soprano, vocal coach, artist and model raised in Winchelsea. She is an alumna of VOYCE Victorian Opera, a Windfire Vocal Scholar, Co founder of Cecilia’s Daughters, Vice President of Geelong Opera, Artistic Director of the Winchelsea Music Season, and founder of Rural Arts Victoria. A keen arts writer, she has a strong background in languages and a love of local history. She is dedicated to working with the local community, and has an all-consuming passion for promoting the arts in rural areas.

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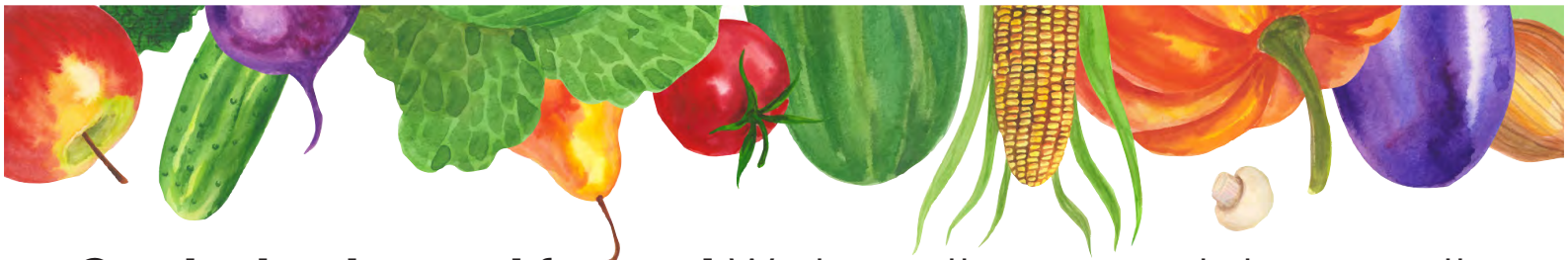
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From *Gardens Illustrated* <https://www.gardensillustrated.com>

We're only just beginning to understand how the heady mix of so many different sensory signals in our gardens can affect us. In her book *Good Nature*, Professor Kathy Willis explores these.

The verdant green of our surroundings, the shapes and patterns in the landscape, the scented aromatic chemicals released by plants and soils, the sounds of birdsong and leaves rustling in the wind, the impact of touching wood, leaves, water, as well as the richness of the microbiome that fills the air, all combine to enhance our cognitive state, increasing both our focus and cerebral capabilities, at the same time as relaxing our minds.

Delaying dementia

Dementia is less likely in cohorts of gardening adults. The Dubbo Study in Australia showed that activities including gardening can delay its progression, and, for those with established dementia, symptoms of stress and anxiety are diminished when time is spent in, or even simply looking at, a natural environment. Sacks noted that often patients with dementia find joy in connecting with the long-remembered rituals of garden tasks, in much the same way that they can do with music. Stress and agitation are reduced in care-home residents with dementia on the evenings after gardening sessions, such that staffing levels can even be reduced.

So, there's plenty of evidence of the benefits to gardening for our brain-health and cognitive well-being.

From *The Gardeners Friend* <https://thegardenersfriend.com/blogs/gardening-tips-tricks/>

The Link Between Gardening and Brain Health

Your brain is a muscle; it requires regular exercise to function better. Gardening is a powerful and enjoyable mental workout, especially for seniors.

Multi-sensory stimulation: Gardening engages most of your senses:

- Touch, smell, sight, and even sound. Each sense activates different brain pathways, keeping them engaged and strong
- Physical movement with thought: Your body and brain coordinate with each other when you perform activities like digging, planting, and watering

Promotes Problem-Solving Skills

Every garden throws challenges at you: Dealing with pests, weeds, and weather changes are some of them. Finding effective solutions to these challenges sharpens your reasoning. This involves:

- Choosing which plants suit the season
- Rotating crops when the soil is tired
- Adjusting water levels during hot days

And more

This decision-making builds your problem-solving ability.

Gardening focuses your thoughts. Even the simplest of tasks requires patience and attention to detail. These include:

- Pulling weeds one by one
- Watching seedlings sprout
- Checking soil moisture before watering

You can think of it like mindfulness meditation; it draws you into the present moment, which can improve focus and mental clarity.

Judy's Suggestion for Seeds that we can propagate now for the Vegetable Garden



Beans - Broad & Bush;
Beetroot, Broccoli, Brussels sprouts, Cabbage, Capsicums, Carrots, Cauliflower, Celery, Chicory, Chives, Choko, Cress, Cucumber, Endive, Kale, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Melons, Onions, Parsley, Parsnips, Peas, Pumpkin Radishes, Silverbeet, Spinach, Swedes, Sweetcorn, Tomatoes, Turnips And crowns of Asparagus & Rhubarb

Encourages Lifelong Learning

Gardening can be fun and interesting; plus, there's always something new to discover. For instance:

- Learning about plant types and their specific needs (When to plant them and how much water they need, for example)
- Experimenting with composting or fertilizers
- Exploring how seasons affect different crops

However, you need to be curious enough to ask questions and continuously learn new things as you tend to your garden.

Strengthens Executive Functioning

Executive functioning is your brain's ability to plan, organize, and complete tasks; gardening naturally supports this. It involves:

- Planning gardening layouts
- Tracking planting calendars
- Organizing tools and seeds

Gardening involves creative thinking and imagining. You can design layouts, mix plant colors, and try new themes to engage your imagination. Here are some ideas:

- Flower patterns stimulate creative thinking
- Mixing textures and colors engages the imagination
- Planning a "theme garden" (like butterfly-friendly plants) adds fun challenges

All that creative thinking keeps your mind flexible and encourages out-of-the-box thinking.

Stress Reduction and Improved Cognitive Performance

Stress impacts brain performance; gardening supports better mental function by reducing your overall stress. Here's how it helps:

- Digging and planting can calm your mind
- Being outdoors in nature lowers cortisol, your stress hormone
- Relaxation improves memory and focus

So give it a go if you haven't already. Tip: Start with a small garden to avoid overwhelming tasks and expand slowly.



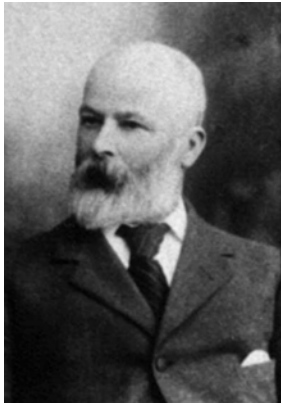
history of winchelsea

Robert Gosney's house, 59 Main Street Winchelsea

The Gosney family, and particularly Robert Gosney (1847-1911) contributed much to community life in early Winchelsea.

Robert was the Shire Rate Collector and later Shire Secretary. He was born on 16 December 1846, in City Road St Matthew, Middlesex, England, United Kingdom. His father was James Russ Gosney and his mother was Phoebe Vowles.

Robert married Mary Eliza Trigg in 1873, in Victoria, Australia. They were the parents of at least 8 sons and 2 daughters.



Robert Gosney



Arthur Gosney

Their Son Corporal Arthur John Gosney Served in Gallipoli and France and was Killed in Action on 9/8/1918 He is buried at Heath Cemetery, Picardie, France. Arthur would also have lived in this house growing up.

Robert held several positions in the Winchelsea community in the late 19th and early 20th centuries including Secretary to the Public Library, correspondent to the Winchelsea State School and Grand Master of the Ancient Independent Order of Oddfellows in Victoria, a role also held by William Stirling who we explored here in previous articles, among other notable Winchelsea founding names.

Robert Gosney was in the original Winchelsea Cricket team.



Winchelsea Cricket team

He died on 17 December 1911, in Winchelsea, Victoria, Australia, at the age of 65, and was buried in Geelong. Robert left £2624 to his widow and children.

James Gosney, probably a relative of Robert, also lived in Winchelsea in the 1860s was the local undertaker, and played in the Winchelsea Brass Band.

Gosney Street, where Hesse Rural Health and the local school are today, was named after the Gosney family, whose descendants have always lived in Winchelsea and are still here today.

Meme Gosney married into the Levey family, who bought the General Store from Findon Murrell.



The Gosney's family home was at 59 Main Street. The home has local significance for its associations with the Gosney family.

Possibly built in c.1869-70, with additions in c.1885 and again in c.1890-91, the dwelling is an early example of a Victorian style, the early alterations probably reflecting the growth in the Gosney family in the late 19th century.

Overall, the dwelling appears to be in fair condition and although altered from the original design, the early additions also contribute to the significance of the place.

The dwelling demonstrates a number of original and early design qualities of a Victorian style. From the street, the passer-by can see how the West side of the building, featuring a gable roof, tripartite window with a curved hood above, and the decorative timber bargeboards and turned timber finial and pendant was clearly added later (c.1890-91), than the original 1860s building.

Possibly the most notable thing about the building today is its interesting paint work on the western extension.



Micheál P O'Dhonnabháin has lived in the Winchelsea area since 2010.

Michael completed a Bachelor in History and Anthropology and a Master of Cultural Heritage at Deakin University, then went on to complete a PhD at Federation University, focusing on colonial and European collections of Indigenous Australian Cultural Heritage. Michael lectured at Federation and Monash Universities, lecturing in World History, Folklore Studies, Indigenous Studies and literary studies. Michael has worked in museums and cultural collections across Victoria, and can usually be seen in and about Winchelsea with his wolfhound.



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Winchelsea Bowls Club



Julie Johnson

Winchelsea make a defining move and join the Geelong Bowls Region in 2026/27

In what has been close to twelve months of meetings, research and commitment from our Board of Management, Coach and Members, we will commence both Midweek and Saturday Pennant from the 13th of October in a new region. We see this as an opportunity to further grow our club in skill, strength and membership in a far broader and stronger competition. This will offer circumstances and experiences which were generally outside the range of West Coast Region. It also can be considered a strategic move to retain very highly skilled players, acquire more through the culture and spirit of the Winchelsea Club and to use the benefits of the many more levels to enable more members to play.

We have already acquired four transfers from other clubs and are developing several new bowlers through the Winter competition and weekly practice and drill sessions. Practice is well underway on a Thursday evening from around 5.00 p.m. with soup afterwards and this will shortly change to practices in rinks of players in early September. There are several practice matches set down during September and early October against other clubs, some away and some at home.

As with all major change there will be challenges such as the green surfaces quite a few of which are grass and can be much slower early in the season. We are also moving from basically country based clubs to mostly a metropolitan area where many of our members do not know any of the players as they did in West Coast Region hence social adaptations as well. It is definitely going to be different and we should adjust well if we carry on with our philosophy of being friendly, supportive and welcoming to visitors, each other and being there for the club whenever we step up to play.

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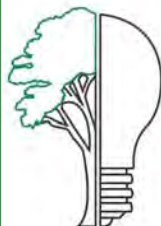
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Fixing Signage Isn't Complicated. So Let's Fix It.

Last week I raised the issue of outdated and missing signage around Winchelsea — from old business listings to the complete absence of RVFriendly Town signage at our entrances. Our community members notice these things, they talk about them, and they wonder why nothing ever seems to change.

So this week, let's shift from identifying the problem to outlining what a solution actually looks like.

Because the truth is, signage isn't complicated. It's not a multi-year infrastructure project. It doesn't require consultants, feasibility studies, or major capital works. It requires coordination, a process, and a commitment to keeping information current.

Here's what would make a real difference:

1. A simple audit of existing signage. Walk the entrances, the main streets, the community precincts. Note what's outdated, what's missing, and what's no longer relevant. Half a day's work would give council a clear picture.
2. A clear pathway for organisations seeking directional signage. Right now, groups who need signage — community organisations, visitor services, even local facilities — can't get it approved or installed. A transparent process with time-lines would solve that instantly.
3. RVFriendly Town signage at all entrances. We meet every CMCA requirement. We have the dump point. We have the free camping area. We have the amenities. What we don't have is the signage that tells travellers any of this. A town can't benefit from RV tourism if visitors don't know they're welcome.
4. Way finding to the dump point and camping area. This is basic visitor infrastructure. It's also a courtesy to the people who choose to stop here, spend money here, and recommend Winchelsea to others.
5. A commitment to updating signage annually. Businesses close. Services move. New groups form. A once-a-year review would keep everything current without becoming a burden.

None of these steps are difficult. None require major funding. What they do require is attention — and a recognition that signage is part of how a town presents itself to the world.

Winchelsea is growing. We're attracting new residents, new businesses, and new visitors. Our signage should reflect that momentum, not lag behind it.

If we want to show pride in our town, we should start with the things people see first.

So let's talk about another signage problem that's quietly been building for years.

Across Winchelsea we have directional and business signage that simply isn't current anymore. Some signs still point to businesses that closed long ago. Others list organisations that have moved, merged, or no longer exist. Meanwhile, groups that do need directional signage — community organisations, visitor serving facilities, and local services — can't get new signage approved or installed. The result is a patchwork of outdated information that doesn't reflect who we are today.

And here's the part that really matters: Winchelsea is officially an RVFriendly Town. We meet all the CMCA requirements — we have a dump point, a free camping area, and the amenities travellers expect. But you wouldn't know it from our entrances. There is no signage welcoming RV visitors, no indication of where the dump point is located, and no way finding to help travellers find the facilities we've worked hard to provide.

In other words, we're doing the work... but not telling anyone.

This isn't about embarrassing council. It's about follow through. Signage is one of the simplest, most visible ways a town communicates with residents, visitors, and potential investors. When it's outdated, missing, or inconsistent, it sends a message — and not the one we want.

Winchelsea is growing. Our community groups are active. Our visitor economy is strengthening. But our signage still reflects a version of the town that no longer exists.

It's time for a coordinated update: entrance signage, directional signage, RV signage, and a clear process for organisations seeking new or replacement signs. None of this is complicated. It just needs attention.

If we want to present Winchelsea as a town that's moving forward, our signage should move with us.

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Fire season preparedness

Victorian farmers and rural landholders are invited to attend a webinar on Wednesday 2 September at 7 pm to help prepare for the upcoming fire season.

Agriculture Victoria Land Management Extension Officer Kylie Macreadie said managing the risk of bushfire on your farm is essential. "Whether you are a livestock producer, equine property owner, small landholder, hobby farmer or new to farming planning now for the fire season can help reduce stress and ensure your people, property, animals and business are prepared."

More information on preparing farms for the fire season, as well as a link to download the Farm Fire Preparedness toolkit, is available at [Preparing your farm for bushfire](#)

To register, visit www.agriculture.vic.gov.au/events

New Network for Kids and Teens Pelvic Pain

Victorian Government

A dedicated Kids and Teens Pelvic Pain Clinical Network is now available at the Royal Children's Hospital for those experiencing painful periods, pelvic pain conditions and endometriosis to get the specialised care and support they need.

A special Nurse Navigator will triage and connect patients with the right care, closer to home. This care will be delivered via a network of clinicians across Melbourne and regional Victoria. It includes specialist GPs, physios, dietitians, occupational therapists, nurses and gynaecologists. For complex cases, the RCH will continue to provide specialised care.

The Nurse Navigator will also provide three-month check ins to follow up on patients' experience and treatment outcomes.

A new website with dedicated, easy-to-understand online resources will be available for young people, families and health professionals to improve their experience in accessing care.

This new service is one of 20 Women's Health Clinics across Victoria and responds directly to Victoria's Inquiry into Women's Pain.

100 days until the 2026 Victorian state election: What you need to know

With just 100 days left until Victorians head to the polls on Saturday 28 November 2026, the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) is urging all eligible voters to check their enrolment details and be ready to have their say in this year's election.

Almost 4.7 million Victorians are expected to cast their vote in November in what will be the state's largest and most complex election yet.

Voting is compulsory for all Victorians who are Australian citizens aged 18 and older. First-time voters who will turn 18 on or before Saturday 28 November should also make sure that they are enrolled, as this may not have happened automatically. Enrolment for the state election will close at 8 pm on Tuesday 3 November, Melbourne Cup Day.

'The election is an opportunity for every eligible Victorian to have your say and make your vote count,' Electoral Commissioner Sven Bluemmel said.

'With 100 days to go, now is the time to check your enrolment matches your current residential address so that you can make your voice heard in November.'

The VEC published its final 2026 state election service plan today, which outlines the services available for this election and how these will be delivered.

'There are many ways you can vote – you may vote on election day, vote early, by post or with extra support. Plan ahead and choose the best option for you,' Mr Bluemmel said.

'We are mailing more than 3 million EasyVote guides to Victorian households to help voters understand their voting options and how to make their vote count.'

This year's state election services also include:

- approximately 1,700 voting centres on election day and 200 early voting centres across the state
- approximately 400 mobile voting services in aged-care facilities, hospitals, homeless shelters and prisons
- low sensory mobile voting for voters who are neurodiverse in all 88 districts, including dimmed lighting, reduced noise and additional space
- voting services at interstate and overseas locations for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic
- the expansion of electronic roll mark-off across election venues to provide a quicker mark-off process for voters, and to deliver improved real-time data on voting centre activity, including patronage and ballot paper use
- more than 300 education sessions across the state to help inform voters in the community about participating.

Check and update your enrolment at vec.vic.gov.au/enrolment.

Voters can also sign up to the free VoterAlert service at the VEC website to receive important election reminders by SMS and email.



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By David

- 1 Judge me, Yahweh, for I have walked in my integrity.
I have trusted also in Yahweh without wavering.
- 2 Examine me, Yahweh, and prove me.
Try my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your loving kindness is before my eyes.
I have walked in your truth.
- 4 I have not sat with deceitful men, neither will I go in with hypocrites.
- 5 I hate the assembly of evildoers, and will not sit with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, so I will go about your altar, Yahweh,
- 7 that I may make the voice of thanksgiving to be heard and tell of all your wondrous deeds.
- 8 Yahweh, I love the habitation of your house,
the place where your glory dwells.
- 9 Don't gather my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men
- 10 in whose hands is wickedness; their right hand is full of bribes.
- 11 But as for me, I will walk in my integrity.
Redeem me, and be merciful to me.
- 12 My foot stands in an even place.
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First Weekend of Finals

Welcome to Blue's News readers where we find ourselves in the very good position of having our Reserves & Senior Football sides playing Finals Football at St. Albans which was always the aim of Coaches Jared Messenger (Reserves) and Ben Moloney (Seniors)

SENIORS:

Winchelsea Blues 36.19.235 defeated the Geelong West Giants 2.7.19

The Senior side has earned a week's rest after finishing as Ladder leaders after the relentless 4 quarters of football against the hapless Geelong West Giants put the Blues ahead of Werribee Centrals on percentage.

What a way to finish off the home & away games in front of a huge local crowd and for anyone who missed that score the Winchelsea Blues 36.19.235 defeated the Geelong West Giants 2.7.19.

Helping in that almighty 4 quarter effort was an outstanding 45 possessions by Fin Parish – a first time ever for a Winchelsea Blue. 45 possessions. just let that sink in for a moment, it has capped off a great season for "Dorsal" in the home and away games.

That four quarter effort also produced the Winchelsea Football Club's second highest score in the history of the Club.

A 13 goal haul by Cameron Primmer was enough to earn him the GDFNL'S leading goal kicking award for the home and away game series. A wonderful achievement in the Club's 150th year.

GOALS:

Cam had plenty of help with Indi Parish booting 5, Sam Adams 4, and Jude Coverdale 3, Cass Parish 2, Jordan Gould 2, Fin Parish 2, Reuben James 2, Ryan Williams, Jack Sampi, and Harry Nagle 1 goal.

Now comes the reset for finals.

RESERVES:

Winchelsea Blues 9.7.61 defeated Bannockburn Tigers 6.8.44

Last Sunday the Reserves Elimination was held at St Albans at 12 pm and at quarter time the scores were level 2 goals 1 behind apiece. The Blues had the wind in the second quarter and did well in a very close tussle going in at the half time break with a lead of 5 goals 5 behinds to Banno's 4 goals 2 - still very close with neither side being able to break the game open.

The third quarter break saw Bannockburn regain the lead by 2 points – Winchelsea 5 goals 6 to 5 goals 8.

The stage was set for the Blues to get the job done if they were good enough and they were. Missing a couple of key players injured during the game the Blues stood up to Bannockburn and took the 4 points in a great win for the Club. Well done to everyone concerned!

GOALS:

Patrick Dench 2, Jude Coverdale, Jack Todd 2, Dustin Baker 1, Tom Kennedy 1, Will McNeil 1.

BEST:

Luke Henry, Zach Ross, Jackson Smith, Blake Gardam, Josh Freeman, Tom Rouget.

This was a great win for the Reserves and they will play again next week at St. Albans.

***The Reserves will play East Geelong Eagles at St. Albans on Sunday 30th at 12pm. Let's go again Blues!

SENIORS:

Winchelsea Seniors finished Minor Premiers after beating the Giants by 216 points in Round 18, so they will go straight into the semi-final rather than playing an elimination final.

This week will see the Blues start their Finals Campaign at 2pm on Sat 29th August at St. Albans against East Geelong Eagles.

Get there if you can in the Navy Blue to support the Winchelsea Blues who are aiming to go all the way in this special celebratory year – MAKE SOME NOISE for the team who earned the right to finish on top of the League Ladder and want to bring that Premiership Cup home to Winchelsea.

GO BLUES!!

THE BLUE'S BISTRO:

This week the Menu will feature Roast Beef, Chicken Schnitzel / Parmi's and Sea Food Baskets – served with vegetables or salad and chips

DESSERT : To be announced ... check the Club's Social pages later in the week, or the Menu board on Thursday night.

Roger Mathison

It was a privilege for the Club to cater for the Memorial Service of Roger "Splinter" Mathison at Eastern Reserve last Friday 21 August.

It was a beautiful and fitting afternoon for the family, friends and colleagues and the Winchelsea Football & Netball Club, a well-respected man within the Club and his community.

Rest peacefully Roger.

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Brian Vagg

The morning started out with a fresh 9 degrees and some showers before the event. Thankfully, the rain stayed away and allowed the 40 participants to remain dry whilst completing the course through Trebeck Reserve.

A warm welcome to Koby Kee, Dylan Kee, Elijah Kee, Bec Delaforce, Dani McLaren, Nicole Mellis, Sophie Campbell, Andrea Booth (Jells Parkrun) and Patrick Lijnders who all completed their very first Trebeck Reserve Park Run. Alos welcome to the other younger Kee family who also participated. You are all an inspiration!

A big "Thankyou" to the seven volunteers made this Park Run event possible. Thanks, from all the Park run community, to our volunteers Neil McInnes, Kate McInnes, Brian Vagg, Liz Bennett, Murray Bennett, Sammi Kuchenmeister. Run director, Brian, reiterated the need for all to volunteer at any time to ease the burden on others and to give everyone an opportunity to run or walk.

We had new runners from Shepparton, Glen Waveley, Melbourne, Armstrong Creek, Winchelsea and Geelong. Welcome all!

Full details of this week's results can be found at trebeckreserveparkrun.com.au/results or check out our Facebook page for more photos.

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Rachel Boddington RESULTS

WEEKLY COMPETITION RESULT Stableford, NTP 2/11

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R/Up: Alan Redmayne 37
BDL: Peter Finch 35
NTP: Max Bubb

QUARTERLY MEDAL RESULTS Stroke and Putting Comp

Winner: Tim Parish 103-26-77
2nd: Alan Redmayne 91-13-78 CB
BDL: Rod Batson 78
Golden Hole (8th) Jackpot
NTP 6th & 15 th, Club
Puts: Rod Batson 29
FISH David Lewis 12th

WEEKLY COMPETITION RESULT Stableford, NTP 6/15

Winner: Neil Hickman (14) 32 pts
R/Up: Max Bubb (14) 31 pts
NTP: Club

SATURDAY RESULTS Stableford, NTP 6/15 and Golden Hole 8th

Winner: Mary Parish (41) 39 pts
R/Up: Neil Hickman (14) 35 pts
BDL: Steve Harvey 30 cb
BDL: Shayne Moor 30, cb A. Wight
NTP: Don Cutler
Golden Hole: Aaron Wight

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