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Red tape hits celebrations

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Developers on the record

A South-East council will start documenting its relations with planning developers, following the July release of IBAC's anti-corruption report, which detailed dealings between former Casey councillors and property developer John Woodman.

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The register will require councillors to list all contact, including phone, email, text, messaging applications, written mail, face to face and the like, with developers within Cardinia Shire in relation to any proposed, current or future planning applications.

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Orchid delight

Hundreds of native and exotic orchids filled Berwick's Senior Citizens Hall over the weekend as the Berwick Orchid Spring Show enticed crowds.

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Siew Bee Lae was awarded for her plant, Cymbidium Orchid Forrest Place Queen's Jewels.

Picture: ROB CAREW

Road fix in limbo

Hundreds of millions of dollars for Clyde Road's vital upgrade are still in limbo almost five months after the Federal Government announced a review into infrastructure.

Reports indicate the minister responsible received the final report of the National Infra-

structure Investment Program Review several weeks ago, yet its consequential findings have yet to be released at this time which is over 140 days after the 90-day review was first announced.

The \$250m for the Clyde Road upgrade,

that's set to alleviate congestion at its busy Princes Freeway intersection, could be on the chopping block.

Local MP Brad Battin has slammed the situation, saying the Federal Government is "joining the chorus to ignore the growth areas and

our communities' need for funding", while describing the necessity for the upgrade to go ahead as "it can take as long to drive from Clyde North to the Monash Freeway as it does from Clyde Road to the city".

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Officer project a 'priority'

By Cam Lucadou-Wells and Eleanor Wilson

Cardinia Shire Council has welcomed the State Government's new housing and planning reform package, which includes a target of 800,000 new homes over the next decade.

Premier Daniel Andrews, days before announcing his resignation, on 20 September announced details of the Victorian Housing Statement, which aims to boost and fast-track housing supply through measures including new state-run planning controls, unlocking government-owned land and introducing a levy for short-stay accommodation.

The reforms also outlined 21 priority planning projects for growing suburbs, including the Officer South Employment Precinct Structure Plan, which is projected to provide 22,000 jobs and 1600 homes.

In a statement, Cardinia Shire Council's general manager of liveable communities Lili Rosic said the council welcomes the announcement to increase the funding and supply of affordable housing.

"We are currently reviewing the extensive housing and planning reforms included in the Housing Statement," Ms Rosic said.

"We are pleased that the Officer South (Employment) Precinct Structure Plan has been identified in the statement, as it will support the housing and employment needs in the shire and the growing South East region.

"In line with council's Social and Affordable Housing Strategy, we will continue to work with developers, community housing providers and other levels of government to increase access to appropriate and affordable housing in our shire, to respond to the needs of our growing and diverse community."

Under the Victorian Housing Statement, Premier Andrews said that a new Affordability Partnership with the property industry would



Premier Daniel Andrews has promised more affordable housing.

boost supply.

"We're not building enough houses right now. We have to have more supply.

"More housing supply means lower prices."

The public-private partnership was signed with the Property Council of Australia, Masters Builders Victoria, the Urban Development Institute of Australia, the Housing Industry Association and Super Housing Partnerships.

Under the changes, developers of \$50 million-plus housing projects will be guaranteed a four-month application process if they provide 10 per cent affordable housing.

The Planning Minister would usurp councils as the arbiter in these cases.

The plan also exempts 'granny flats', shed extensions and car ports from planning permits.

Mr Andrews said the aim was for "good decisions made faster" and to "clear the backlog"

of 1400 planning applications "gathering dust" with councils for more than six months.

Cheaper housing "near to where you work" was a priority – announcing 60,000 homes to be built at 10 activity centres including Moorabbin, Frankston, Chadstone and Ringwood.

Also, 45 unnamed "surplus" government sites across Victoria will be converted to 9000 homes – including at least 10 per cent "affordable" housing.

Other changes include a "modest" 7.5 per cent charge on short-stay rental customers. The levy will apply to about 36,000 short-stay accommodations and replace local councils' similar charges.

All revenue will go to Homes Victoria for building and maintaining social and affordable housing.

He said the reforms would provide 800,000

more homes in the next 10 years – in comparison to a projected 500,000 under the status quo.

It was a "big downpayment" on a target of 2.24 million new homes by 2051. By that time, Victoria's population was predicted to top 10 million.

It may involve expanding the Free Tafe list to provide more building workers, he said.

Mr Andrews also announced rental reforms, including a portable bond scheme to carry a rental bond from one property to another.

There would also be restrictions on allowing landlords to evict tenants in order to "jack up" the rent, and a ban on rental bidding.

A new body will be created for landlord-tenant disputes, replacing the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal's role in this.

Victorian Council of Social Services interim CEO Juanita Pope applauded the "bold and ambitious plan designed to fix the state's housing crisis".

However, Council to Homeless Persons stated it "fell short on social housing commitments".

"We've got tens of thousands of people without a home tonight, sleeping in their cars, couch surfing, living in an unsafe rooming house, or considering returning to a violent relationship," chief executive Deborah Di Natale said.

"We need at least 60,000 new public and community homes to be built in Victoria over a decade. Unfortunately there's nothing like that in these announcements."

Master Builders Victoria welcomed the more streamlined planning system and cuts to red tape. It would need a staggering approach for the industry to meet the 80,000-homes a year target, according to CEO Michaela Lihou.

"Supply issues have eased but builders are still playing catching up," Ms Lihou says.

Op shop customers dig deep to support community

By Eleanor Wilson

The Pakenham Op Shop is celebrating a record year of sales, distributing \$140,000 to community organisations within Cardinia Shire.

Pakenham Op Shop secretary Bev Burley said she was "thrilled to bits" with the total, which is up on the \$85,000 raised by the charity shop last year.

The funds will be distributed to over 40 local organisations, including 19 fire brigades, wildlife shelters, men's sheds and emergency relief charities.

"We're most grateful to the people who donate goods and particularly to our regulars who are always coming to the shop to see what we have available," Mrs Burley said.

"We certainly do thank them because without them we'd be nothing, without do-

nations we'd have nothing to sell and there's no point having a shop full of stuff if you have no customers, it's a complete circle."

Despite a successful year on the books, the store and its volunteers, many of whom are in their 80s, continues to be plagued by opportunistic litterbugs, who use the op shop as a dumping ground for rubbish.

"Just yesterday we had soiled nappies, soiled clothing, household garbage, food waste, packaging, cardboard boxes," Mrs Burley said.

She said she felt the dumping was an insult to the hardworking volunteers of the shop.

"Treat us with respect, what we're doing we're doing because we want and want to do something for the community, but don't insult us with the rubbish."



Pakenham Op Shop vice president Rae Plummer, president Jan Taylor, secretary Bev Burley and committee member Pat Littleton.

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Events buried in red tape

By Corey Everitt

The increasing burdens of risk management and insurance on local organising has claimed another victim, as it was announced New Year's Eve and Australia Day celebrations in Pakenham have been cancelled.

Lakeside Residents Group (LSG), who took on the large events in 2019, reached out to the Gazette to announce their decision to end the two events which have been enjoyed by thousands of residents each year.

These events have been spurred by grants from Cardinia Shire Council and local donors.

But as the years past the requirements on risk management and traffic management have increased to the point where the 10-person volunteer group has felt they have become impossible to continue.

Long time president of LRG and Stan Henwood award winner Wendy Andrews, as well as secretary Tony O'Hara, were excited to continue the events in 2022 after the pandemic, but in that time the requirements had expanded.

"We didn't have it for a couple of years, we were really excited to have it back again last year and it was just so popular, just so many people wanted to come to it because it's a really good family-friendly event," Wendy said.

"But the hoops we had to jump to actually get it to run, it's just the list never ends.

"We are only a small group, 10 volunteers, and it was very onerous what was put upon us to try and get all the requirements ticked off."

The two issues that plagued the large events were the increasing conditions of risk and traffic management.

When it came to NYE, held at Toomuc Recreation Reserve, the once straightforward parking and traffic rules increased.

"Then they told us we had to restrict the traffic on Princes Highway down to 40km/h through the event, we didn't have that in the past," Tony said.

"We had some traffic management, but not to that level."

Wendy added, "it was just directing traffic - now it's extensive traffic management and expensive".

The cost was compounded on the volunteer group as insurance was practically double according to Wendy, similar to the issues that brought saw the end of Yakkerboo's iconic parade earlier this year.

While for both NYE and Australia Day back at the turn of 2022-23, they had to go through a seemingly unending number of issues which resulted in changes that diminished the experience and the resolve of the LRG to keep it going.

The Australia Day celebrations started in 2019 at the Cardinia Cultural Centre where it would join with the Citizenship Ceremony held inside, attracting 3000 to 4000 this year.

Tony explains the seemingly endless hurdles.

"When we started and did the first plan, they came back and we had a site meeting, they said we couldn't have jumping castles on the amphitheatre because a child could run



Lakeside Residents Group president Wendy Andrews and secretary Tony O'Hara.

into a lake," Tony said.

"There is a footpath all the way round the lake that kids run on all the time on bikes, scooters, everything.

"Anyway, so that then meant we had to move stuff off of there, so we did it with a new plan and limited what was down below.

"Then we were told we are not allowed to use the path access we always used in the past, we had to go down a grass ramp, if it was going to rain a couple of weeks before we would not be able to use it.

"Therefore we moved everything out of there, we changed the plan several times. Each time they came up with a problem, we solved it.

"We moved out the front more stuff and they said we can't have jumping castles at the front here because a kid might run past the rocks, past the bushes, over the footpath, through the parked cars and into the road, even though the rides will be facing away and the parents should be with their children."

They applied this to restrict the placement of the animal petting farm for the same reason.

This whole affair would ultimately not matter, as six weeks before Australia Day, the council told them the centre could no longer hold more than 1000 people at a time, including inside and outside in the amphitheatre, and they had no other choice but to move.

The reason was due to the limitations of parking at the centre, even though LRG had got permission from the Lakeside Primary and as well as the church across the lake to use their parking.

While according to Tony they were told not to get permission from local shops.

The celebration would be moved to Toomuc Reserve where its connection to the Citizen-

ship Ceremony was severed.

Similar small issues affected NYE, both events taken together Wendy "up to a dozen or 15 site plans were drawn up" as each problem was raised, some made at the very last minute.

Wendy and Tony don't deny addressing risks and spending many hours addressing the issues, but to an extent their needs to be an understanding of what risks to consider.

"They are all legitimate, but risk management can only do so many things, there has to be some common sense of the reality of life," Tony said.

"Everything is a risk, you walk out this door it's a risk, a plank could fall off this building, it's a risk, unlikely and that's where the trouble is."

Risk management doesn't end here, LRG must consult the council and the police about the Emergency Management Plan which according to Tony and Wendy involves them preparing for violent situations such as a bomb threat or armed individuals.

Wendy and Tony have taken the measures for safety at their events, but it's disheartening why a small group of volunteers organising a community event, rather than established institutions, is responsible for such extreme scenarios.

"For our events like NYE, we had the fire brigade on call to come for any emergencies, police were in attendance as part of their routine, we had security guards," Wendy said,

"But when you are trying to mitigate risk and you get told, 'what are you going to do when you have to front the Coroners Court when someone dies', that really makes you feel like why am I bothering?"

"We are not qualified to deal with this, when we were discussing this with the police, we just said we wouldn't know what to do, it's not our job."

Neither of them wish to point the finger at anyone for the blame, they wish to make clear that the council's event delivery officer, Rebecca Ellis, was very helpful in their correspondence.

While they gave the courtesy to inform the council of their decision earlier in the year and explained they will announce it publicly at a later date.

Rather, they just want to point out that the capabilities for the community to organise in this environment is tough.

"When you consider that all of these events are done for the people at Cardinia and Cardinia Council does contribute to most of that, in a way it's being done for council, for their residents," Tony said.

"So we are a little bit surprised that these big hurdles are put in front of organisations when they are doing their best to make something work for the people of Cardinia."

Wendy added: "We understand the community which is going to be disappointed and we really regret having to do, but we didn't have any alternative."

In response to questioning by the Gazette, Bec Whiting, the council's Coordinator for Risk, Health and Safety said they will continue to work with the group in the future.

"Council respects the Lakeside Residents Group's decision to not proceed with its planned events and has offered to work with the group to plan future events," said.

"Major events on council land must be approved by council and applicants must demonstrate they have insurance and adequate plans and resources in place to manage risks to people and property."

LRG will continue their smaller events on Easter, Christmas and Halloween.

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Daniel Andrews has resigned as Premier and Mulgrave MP, effective from 5pm Wednesday. 324564 Picture: MATT MALE

Premier Andrews resigns

By AAP

Daniel Andrews has resigned as Victoria's premier after almost a decade in the top job.

Mr Andrews will step down as the state's leader and as the member for Mulgrave effective 5pm on Wednesday.

"Nine years ago, I visited Government House to be sworn in as the 48th premier of Victoria - it has been the honour and privilege of my life," he told reporters.

"I'm also proud to think of all that we have achieved over these nine years in good times, and always working hard to do what's right, not simply what's popular."

He made the announcement at a snap press conference at state parliament on Tuesday with his wife Cath beside him.

"Recently in talking to my kids and Cath, thoughts of what life will be like after this job has started to creep in," Mr Andrews said.

"I have always known that the moment that happens, it is time to go and to give this privilege, this amazing responsibility to someone else.

"It is not an easy job being premier of our state, but that is not a complaint that is just fact.

"It requires 100 per cent from you and your family, that of course, is time-limited and now is the time to step away."

Mr Andrews became premier in November 2014, booting out a first-term Liberal government, and led Labor to two more victories in 2018 and 2022.



People gather for the Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony. 362129



Mark Brown and Danny West from the Bunurong Land Council perform the Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony. 362129

Celebrating culture

Local kids were invited to learn and celebrate Indigenous culture and language on Bunurong land in Pakenham, as part of the school holidays.

Held on Monday 25 September at the Pakenham Library, the event was led by Mark Brown and Danny West from Bunurong Land Council, as well as artist N'Dene Riley.

Mark and Danny led the Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony, with subsequent activities including story time and mural painting.

N'Dene led the local kids with the mural painting, while Pakenham Library conducted story time, all of which celebrated and inform about the culture and language of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.



Artist N'Dene Riley with Myli children's literacy librarian Ivy Tucker. 362129



Belle and Occy from Pakenham Upper. 362129

Council flags fresh look for Emerald track

Cardinia Shire Council is inviting local residents and bike enthusiasts to share feedback on a concept design for a bike track upgrade at Pepi's Land in Emerald.

The council has developed a draft design for the bike track, following community consultation on the proposed upgrade earlier this year.

The project has been renamed Pepi's

Land Bike Track Upgrade in response to feedback that the track is not only used by BMX bikes.

A survey seeking feedback on the concept design opened on the Creating Cardinia website and will remain open until 15 October 2023.

The community can also meet the project team and have their say on the concept de-

sign at a local pop-up session to be held on Thursday 12 October at the Pepi's Land Bike Track from 3.30pm to 5pm.

For more information, contact the Parks Planning team at mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au or call 1300 787 624.

Go to creating.cardinia.vic.gov.au/pepis-land-bmx-track-upgrade

Carols by Candlelight home for Christmas

Cardinia Shire Council announced on Monday 25 September the return of Pakenham Carols by Candlelight, scheduled for Saturday 2 December 2023.

Cardinia Shire residents are invited to pack a picnic rug and head down to Toomuc Recreation Reserve in Pakenham for this free event. The official program will begin at 6.30pm with a talented line-up of performers including local school choirs, the Maryknoll Fire Choir, the CPAC Musical Theatre and the Cardinia Civic Concert Band.

To top the night off, there will also be a fireworks display at approximately 9pm.

Pakenham Carols by Candlelight will be an alcohol and smoke free event.

Food and drinks will be available to purchase on-site.

No pets allowed expect for assistance dogs. For more information, contact the Future Communities team at mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au or call 1300 787 624.



Last year's Christmas Carols at Toomuc Recreation Reserve.

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Upgrades in limbo

By Corey Everitt

Hundreds of millions of dollars in road upgrades locally still hang in the balance as the Federal Government has received the final report, but are yet to reveal its findings.

In May, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Catherine King announced the National Infrastructure Investment Program Review which assessed the viability of hundreds of upcoming projects across the country as the \$120 billion infrastructure pipeline had blown out by \$33 billion, according to Ms King.

The start of these projects were halted as the review was conducted for a maximum of 90 days and included in those being assessed were the Pakenham Roads Upgrade and the Clyde Road Upgrade.

Reports indicate the Federal Government was handed the final report of the review in late August or early September.

So far, the Federal Government has been sitting on the findings that could determine the future of vital infrastructure in Pakenham and Berwick.

The Pakenham Roads Upgrade is split into three stages, sharing an overall budget of \$391 million.

Stage 1's beginning slipped in before the review, with extra lanes on the Princes Freeway and upgrades to exits and entry ramps onto Healesville-Kooweerup Road and McGregor Road.

However, stages 2 and 3, which haven't started, could be axed.

These stages are upgrades to McGregor and Racecourse Roads, which include duplicating lanes along stretches of both busy roads, something that has been advocated for locally by Cardinia Shire Council.

These works could be axed, leaving the Pakenham Roads Upgrade two-thirds incomplete. While over in Berwick, the \$250 million



The review that will decide the fate of vital road upgrades in Pakenham has been handed down to the Federal Government, but the findings have yet to be released. Picture: SUPPLIED

upgrade to Clyde Road, which would see improvements along the road's congested intersection with Princes Freeway, could be thrown out entirely.

Berwick MP Brad Battin said the predicament had come from the State and Federal Governments' budget mismanagement, leaving the growth areas behind.

"Berwick, Pakenham, Clyde North and everything in between are sick of Labor Governments ignoring the need for infrastructure that keeps up with population growth," Mr Battin said.

"The Andrews Labor Government is broke and Victoria is now the highest taxing state on developments and to build new homes, yet State Labor are begging Federal Labor to complete projects.

"It is sad now to see Federal Labor joining the chorus to ignore the growth areas and our communities' need for funding.

"This must change, during peak times it can take as long to drive from Clyde North to the Monash Freeway as it does from Clyde Road to the city – this simply is not fair."

Both Clyde Road Upgrade and Pakenham Roads Upgrade were identified by the State Government on 17 May as being set to begin within the general 90 days of the review, meaning they will have to be delayed until their future is determined by the Federal Government.

With the Federal Government sitting on the findings, the 90-day review announced on 1 May still has these projects in limbo on this day of reporting, 27 September, 150 days later.

The Federal Government has yet to detail when the findings will be announced, debriefing with State Governments has been reported to commence in the near future.

The State and Federal Ministers for Infrastructure were contacted for comment.

Meetings on the record

By Eleanor Wilson

Cardinia Shire councillors will begin producing a record of dealings with planning developers after a motion was passed aimed at promoting transparency in planning decisions.

In an 18 September council meeting, Cardinia Shire Councillor Kaye Cameron proposed the implementation of a compulsory developer contact register.

The register will require councillors to list all contact, including phone, email, text, messaging applications, written mail, face to face and the like, with developers within Cardinia Shire in relation to any proposed, current or future planning applications.

Cr Cameron said she decided to move the motion to promote transparency in planning decisions in light of the IBAC report on Operation Sandon: "I moved the motion to establish a Developer Contact Register so our community can remain confident in the integrity of council's decision-making processes. Planning decisions are not made lightly, they have the power to change our communities and so must be made transparently.

"I'm pleased the motion was passed as the Operation Sandon report shows councils must do all they can to reduce risks of corruption and improper influence."

It is understood the contact register will be effective from 1 October and is expected to be updated monthly, appearing on the council website under the Governance and Integrity page. Guidelines will be developed on the recording of contact between councillors and developers relating to planning matters.




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Yabbies hit a six with nets

The Pakenham Upper Toomuc Yabbies Cricket Club can look forward to more time at the wicket, thanks to fresh new practice nets at the Pakenham Upper Recreation Reserve.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Tammy Radford was joined by Pakenham MP Emma Vulin to officially open the new cricket nets, which was made possible thanks to an investment of more than \$230,000 by Cardinia Shire Council and the Victorian Government.

The new practice nets are now state-of-the-art, including a new four-wicket cricket training facility with fully enclosed fencing and retractable netting to allow for a flexible training space for other sports and activities.

One wicket is open permanently to the community, providing a perfect place for locals to enjoy a casual hit of cricket with friends and family, further cementing Pakenham Upper Recreation Reserve as a local sport and recreation hub. Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Tammy Radford said the upgrade will help improve participation in local sport.

“The new practice nets will make it safer and easier for local cricketers and help attract more people to play cricket in their local area,” Mayor Radford said.

Beacon Hills Ward Councillor Brett Owen said the new nets were fantastic for Pakenham Upper and surrounding towns.

“This much needed upgrade will make Pakenham Upper Recreation Reserve a better place to practice and play cricket now and into the future”, Cr Owen said.

Pakenham MP Emma Vulin called the new cricket facility “a game changer for the Yabbies”.

“As the weather warms up, we’re making sure more people can get involved with cricket and that they can find a home and sporting hub here at Pakenham Upper Recreation Reserve.”

“We want all Victorians to have access to high quality facilities so they can reap the benefits of leading a healthy and active lifestyle.”



Pakenham MP Emma Vulin, Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Tammy Radford, Deputy Mayor Cr Jack Kowarzik, Cr Brett Owen and Pakenham Upper Toomuc Cricket Club representatives officially open the new cricket nets. Picture: SUPPLIED



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Tam's mad for the Magpies

By Eleanor Wilson

When people ask Pakenham resident Tam Murphy what her greatest life achievement is, most expect a gushing story about the birth of her child, or a tale about saving her hard-earned to purchase a home.

But for the born and bred Collingwood supporter, it is watching her Magpies win the 2010 AFL grand final, after a torturous 68-point draw the week before.

This weekend, she hopes to join 20,000 fellow members of the Magpie Army at the MCG to cheer on the pies to another premiership flag.

"The biggest love of my life is supporting my football team and watching them every week," Tam said.

Born to Pies-supporting parents, it's a passion Tam has revelled in since her junior years.

Her earliest memories include travelling with the family to the junior supporters club at Waverley Park each Saturday morning.

Since then, her passion for the pies has remained feverish.

You only have to step inside her Pakenham home to see walls plastered with memorabilia - scarves, cups, jerseys, posters, balloons - all of which only multiply during finals season.

A member of the club for 21 years, on Saturday, Tam will don the black and white once again and make the ritualistic journey to the MCG for the opening bounce.

"I love nothing more than to get in my car, drive to Tooroonga [station], get on the train, get off the train, walk to the G, get in my seat, always have a pie and a beer. That's me."

"The butterflies are killing me, I'm so excited.

"I will soak up every bit of that atmosphere and just hope that our boys can believe in themselves and get across the line, because it's not going to be easy."



Pakenham's Tam Murphy has been an unwavering Collingwood Magpies supporter since birth. 363127

Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS

The key to triumphing over the Brisbane Lions, Tam believes, lies in Collingwood's small forwards.

"I think it'll be very very close.

"Our small forwards need to be able to get forward to win this game.

"I do believe Brisbane are a fantastic defensive side and they always get us on a smaller ground, so I'm just hoping that the MCG ground gives us an edge."

When it comes to her team, Tam doesn't pick favourites, instead preferring to support the entire team.

"I love Scott Pendllbury, prior to that I al-

ways supported Tyson Goldsack because he's a Pakenham boy and I wore number six, prior to that it was Brodie Holland.

"Nowadays I just don't want to wear a number, I'm just so proud of my team as a whole."

But she does reserve a soft spot for skipper Darcy Moore.

"Just with the way he handles himself, in the media and everything, you can't go past him."

Collingwood this year broke the AFL's all-time member record, surpassing 106,470 members.

Tam believes the club's supporters hold the key to its success.

"What I love about our club is just the supporter base, just how many people support the team and that's the greatness of it all.

"I love the fact that when we come, we come all. It's not half-hearted, we're all there.

"I just wish all the boys the best of luck, but I do believe that if they believe in themselves, like they have been doing, they can do it."

The 2023 AFL Grand Final will be played between the Collingwood Magpies and the Brisbane Lions on Saturday 30 September.

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Etta and Jozef Nadjmeljkuti with their magnificent display and a Champion Sash for Phalaenopsis Hybrid. 362887
Pictures: ROB CAREW



Siew Bee Lae with a sash for Orchid by an Intermediate Grower for her Cymbidium Orchid Forrest Place Queen's Jewels plant. 362887

Show sees record crowd

By Eleanor Wilson

Hundreds of native and exotic orchids filled Berwick's Senior Citizens Hall over the weekend as the Berwick Orchid Spring Show enticed crowds.

Over 200 flowering plants dazzled on display across Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 September, while more than 500 orchids filled the sales area for avid green thumbs to purchase.

Berwick Orchid Show president Murray Harding said this year's show provided the best crowd the show has seen in a decade.

"It was excellent, the standard of orchids was well above average," Mr Harding said.

"We are back to where we were pre-Covid and if anything better in terms of the plants and the numbers and the enthusiasm."

Over half of the plants on sale, which in-

cluded natives and exotics propagated from members' orchids, were snapped up within the first half of Saturday morning.

Two large flowering Dendrobium striolata, grow by Tam and Lyn Nguyen and Mr Harding, stood as stand outs at the show.

"One of our members has been growing the same plant since 2005 and it is a beautiful plant with hundreds of flowers on it," Mr Harding said.

"I saw her put it into a show in 2011 and I was so impressed with it I decided to grow one myself.

"To see two plants of the quality and size and number of flowers of this variety in one show will probably never happen again."

Phone Mr Harding on 0411 708 313 for more information about the Berwick Orchid Club.



Colin Gillespie holds his sash for champion Cymbidium Specimen. 362887



Cymbidium Orchid Forrest Place Queen's Jewels.



A Regal Princess Devon grown by Colin Gillespie, awarded a sash for Champion Cymbidium Specimen. 362887



Phalaenopsis Keve Lloy Strawberry Red by Etta and Jozef Nadjmeljkuti, awarded a sash for Champion for Phalaenopsis Hybrid. 362887



Tam Nguyen and Lyn Nguyen with a sash for Australasian Native Specimen. Den Striolata (left) and Den Gracillimum (right). 362887

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Search ends in heartbreak

The search for a 1970s Holden Kingswood, stolen from an elderly Pakenham man's home this month, has reached a heartbreaking close with the vehicle located burnt out in Menzies Creek on Tuesday night, 19 September.

The classic car's owner, 84-year-old Ross Costa, appealed for the return of the vehicle just hours earlier, after it was stolen from his Army Road shed early on Friday 15 September.

Mr Costa, who is recovering from lymphoma and battling Parkinson's disease, told reporters that he simply wanted his car back, appealing for the thief to leave it anywhere safe for him to just pick up.

The car was a deeply sentimental possession for Mr Costa, who kept the classic Holden in good condition for over four decades, ever since he bought it in 1979.

The estimated value of such a car was around \$45,000, but as he explained to reporters the memories in the car was what he valued the most.

It was on Friday evening 15 September when the car was stolen from his property on Army Road; at the time Mr Costa was staying with his son Alf.

His neighbour alerted him to his missing car. It was a tough blow for Mr Costa.

"It breaks my heart, I can't accept it," Mr Costa said, as reported by the Herald Sun.

The vehicle was allegedly sighted by members of the public in Drouin and Warragul earlier in the week, before it was located ablaze overnight.

It is understood a member of the public saw a car on fire near parklands near Lake Aura Vale and called Triple Zero about 11.30pm on 19 September.

Emergency services attended the scene and put out the fire, which was identified as the sentimental Holden.

Police have seized the Holden which will now undergo forensic testing.



Pakenham's Ross Costa told media he was devastated by the theft of his beloved 1970s Holden Kingswood. 361984 Pictures: STEWART CHAMBERS



The vehicle was located burnt out in Menzies Creek.



Senior Constable Tanya van Praag. 361984

Police are appealing to anyone who has information about the fire or theft of the Kingswood to come forward.

The car was stolen during a burglary which occurred on Friday 15 September about 5am. Investigations remain ongoing.

Anyone with information or CCTV footage is urged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online at crimestoppersvic.com.au

Driver charged over crash

A Cranbourne man has been charged over a fatal car crash in Berwick on 15 September.

Police say a white Subaru wagon and a blue Ford utility crashed near the corner of O'Shea Road and Kimbarra Drive about 7.50am. The Subaru driver, a 49-year-old Berwick man, died at the scene.

A 24-year-old Cranbourne East woman was taken to hospital with minor injuries.

The Ford driver, 29, was charged with culpable driving causing death.

He was remanded to appear at Melbourne Magistrates' Court on 16 February.

Drivers nabbed

Separately, Cardinia Highway Patrol conducted Operation Redline on Thursday 21 September, catching drivers across the local area.

Through static testing sites, as well as

proactive patrols, police conducted 86 random breath tests and 81 roadside drug tests.

Ten drivers were caught doing the wrong thing, with 13 offences detected.

One motorist tested positive for methamphetamine, with further analysis to come.

Two drivers were caught speeding, one driver disobeying traffic sign, one motorist driving whilst disqualified/suspended/cancelled licence, one unregistered vehicle and four probationary offences.

While two people failed to change their address with VicRoads, and one driver was caught driving the wrong way down a one-way road.

Two defect notices were issued and one vehicle was impounded.

Police say similar operations will be conducted in the future.



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Trisha Portbury with her book *Emotive Fields* and artwork. 362911



Trisha Portbury (bottom row, second from left), as a student at Dandenong Girl's School in 1969. Picture: SUPPLIED

As a child, Pakenham's Trisha Portbury would often mix up her b's and d's, and her p's and q's. It was a struggle that followed the artist, author and teacher throughout her schooling years and eventually into adulthood, when she made the decision to flip the script on her dyslexia to help kids with the learning difficulty access literacy designed for them, as Gazette journalist **ELEANOR WILSON** reports.

Overcoming challenges

It's said that no matter where you place your hands, reiki will flow anywhere in the body to do its work.

For Ascension reiki master teacher Trisha Portbury, the energy healing approach has extended beyond her professional practice.

"Nothing in my life was ever intended, it was just how things unfolded," she said.

"That's how I've lived, I've just gone with the flow."

Learning to adapt to life's curveballs came early for the Pakenham grandmother of six.

In her first year of school she struggled to learn to read - a sign of dyslexia, she would later discover.

The learning difficulty would become a prominent roadblock for Trisha throughout her schooling.

"I thought I knew I was really smart in my head, but the system was frustrating, so I wrote myself off," she said.

In Year 9, she moved with her family from Box Hill to Hallam and began attending Dandenong Girl's High School.

While she had a love for art, her academic capabilities meant Trisha was pushed into the maths and science stream.

"They wouldn't let you do art, I wanted to do art, but they said no you've got to do professions (maths and science) because they were trying to get girls education up."

At about 20, she received an oil paint set for Christmas, sparking the beginning of her artistic career.

About three years later, she started a Bachelor of Education (Arts and Craft) Secondary, melding her passions for teaching and art.

In second year, a supervisor advised "teaching's tough, stay home and make babies".

A third-year lecturer also had harsh criticism: "You can paint but you paint the wrong things and you don't have a definitive style."

She majored in design and went on to teach Visual Communication and Design and VET Multimedia, first at Mount Lilydale Mercy College.

In 2001, she moved to Pakenham to care for her mother, who had been diagnosed with Parkinsons.

She began teaching at St Francis Xavier College and around the same time became the state reviewer for Visual Communication and Design - developing VCE course study designs and course criteria to implement in classrooms across Victoria.

She would continue in this role for over 12 years, in that time implementing Top Designs - a showcase of work from the state's best VCE



Trisha Portbury is a Pakenham based artist, author, ascension reiki master teacher and Rotarian. 362911

“People would cry when they got the book, they just loved it, it helped them understand how their head worked.”

design students.

It was through the teaching faculty at the school that she discovered energy healing technique reiki, which works with hand movements to guide the healthy flow of positive energy through the body.

Trisha admits she thought it was "a bit strange" at first, but soon found a deep connection with the alternative medicine form.

"One of the teachers asked me to accompany her to a reiki session.

"I went along, going with the flow as I do, and I gradually learnt to channel.

"So much in my life has happened like that."

Emotive Fields, published in 2008, was the realisation of Trisha's "dream to make a difference".

"People would cry when they got the book, they just loved it, it helped them understand how their head worked.

"They would say, 'I wish I had this when I was at school!'"

It was around this time that she took a break from the classroom to pursue art professionally.

She presented two exhibitions of her work at Cardinia Cultural Centre, with her paintings exploring themes including the Ash Wednesday Bushfires and mental health.

Then came a second book, *Wisdom Warriors*, in 2010.

It was also in that year that Trisha returned to the classroom, taking up a teaching job at Kew High School, which she would continue until her retirement in 2017.

She marks the achievements of her Year 12 students as some of her proudest moments.

"They would get magically inspired and they all did the best they could, I've had so many perfect scores in VCE from my students, even in multimedia I got the first 50 study score in the state ever."

Upon her retirement, she joined the Rotary Club of Casey and later Pakenham, where she would become club secretary and then steer the ship through the Covid pandemic as president.

She helped establish the popular Holland Festival with her fellow Rotarians, naturally tackling graphics, mapping and permits.

A shy and reserved personality, Trisha initially didn't think she had the 'profile' to be a Rotarian.

"When you look back, I don't know how I've done all of these things, but I have.

"It's a really good thing for people to do, is to be a Rotarian, because you can give back to your community and you don't need money, you need a big heart and generosity of time.

"There's always ways you can help, there's always ways you can make a difference to your community."

Today, Trisha remains involved with her Rotary Club and spends much of her time painting and performing reiki for friends and family.

She hopes to inspire others to persevere through hardship.

"Life will throw curveballs and all sorts but you just have to believe in yourself and keep going."



Jordan Crugnale MP joins students and staff at Kooweerup Primary School to officially celebrate their \$2.5m upgrade.

Picture: SUPPLIED

Millions flow to Kooweerup

Bass MP Jordan Crugnale celebrated an investment trifecta with the Kooweerup Primary School community last week, unveiling new classrooms, funding for new gym facilities and news of an onsite kindergarten.

Ms Crugnale visited the school to officially open its \$2.5 million upgrade this week, which includes modernised classrooms giving students quality learning environments they need to achieve their best.

Principal Ben Zimmerle, teachers, school captains and students from Grade 1 and 2 celebrated on the steps of the building, counted down in Italian and spoke to what they loved about their new space.

The 2018 election commitment from the

State Government was completed by Ducon Building Solutions and Ardent Architects in December 2022.

Alongside the upgrade the school received \$6.872 million in the 2021-2022 budget for a brand-new competition-grade gymnasium.

Baumgart Clark Architects worked closely with the school and recently appointed project builders SJ Higgins are already onsite, area fenced off, site sheds to arrive during the school holidays with works starting thereafter - practical completion is forecasted for August 2024.

Ms Crugnale also announced that a two-room modular kindergarten will be built at the school, creating up to 90 kindergarten

places for local families when it opens in Term 1, 2024.

They will also get more child and family services in one convenient location, with Cardinia Shire Council to run a maternal and child health service from the new kinder.

It is part of a \$1.2 billion 2023/24 budget commitment to build or expand kindergartens across the state.

The funding aims to support the delivery of 15 hours of free three-year-old kindergarten each week by 2029 and 30 hours of free Pre-Prep each week by 2032.

Ms Crugnale said it was a fantastic week for Kooweerup.

“It was such a joy to celebrate with so many very energised students, the amazing school captains and eco captains, principal Ben Zimmerle and his dedicated team – this school lives its values, are welcoming, positive, work together and show such pride of place and connection to Bunurong Country too,” Ms Crugnale said.

“We said we would deliver an upgrade and we have and with the new gym starting construction soon and now kinder on the way – this school is going from strength to strength supporting its school community needs and providing a wonderful learning environment too.”

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A few years back when writing the history of the Nar Nar Goon Football Club I speculated on the motive behind adopting a Weg-style caricature in the club's logo - a proud and stocky man, strong and uncompromising, ball in hand, ready to take on the next challenge.

The logo was designed in the 1970s by co-author Russell 'Buzz' Hughes and in the book's introduction I mused over the various characters from each era that could fit the mould of the Goon Man.

In the early days it could have been any one of the six Cunningham brothers that dominated the all-conquering side, or off-field leaders like founding president Jack Spencer, Ted Thorn or store-keeper Tom Gillmartin.

In the next era it could have been modelled on the likes of Greg Dore, John Isbister or Michael Cahir - and after that on Barry Cunningham, Wally Webster, Bill Brown or one season wonder Bill Drake, or in more modern times Ray Christie, Jim Dore or Nick Collins.

Or those who made their mark off the field like Bill 'Doc' Doherty, Ron Metz, Tom and Des Dore or Royce Collins.

As a relative newcomer to the club, I nominated Patrick Noonan as the modern-day Goon Man.

There isn't a job that Paddy - as he is more widely known - hasn't taken on. He has been club president (several times), general manager, junior coach, league delegate, trainer, bar manager, timekeeper, reserves captain... and the list goes on. On training nights and game days, he's the go-to person. Anyone in need of a spare pair of shorts or socks, medical tape or a whistle to run the boundary is told to 'Go see Paddy - he'll have one'. He's one of the first at the ground of a Saturday and often cuts a lonely figure in the clubroom after the game picking up and packing up while everyone else is reliving the day's events over a beer.

My opinion of Paddy was franked at the presentation night last Friday when he was made only the third Club Legend, following in the esteemed footsteps of Doc Doherty and Ray Coombs. It was a hard-earned and such a well-deserved honour and he sits well in that company.

Sporting clubs are a wonderful environment. They can be hard work but the many volunteer hours are repaid by the camaraderie and lifelong friendships made through the journey.

Most clubs have their own Goon Man (or woman) and as another winter season winds up we should pay tribute to the many thousands of volunteers who dedicate their time to create a safe and happy environment for our kids and grandkids to play their chosen sport.

The focus now switches from the local sporting arenas to the biggest stage - the AFL grand final this Saturday at the MCG. And there are only two words that need to be said about that contest.

Go Pies!

- Garry Howe



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Cat man! At the Officer Rec Reserve, Outer East Grand Final day. 362861

Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS

THUMBS UP THUMBS DOWN



Thumbs up

To the Lions making the grand final for the first time since before I was born!



Thumbs up

To the opening of The Railway Hotel Pakenham!



Thumbs down

For the uneven footpath at the Cultural Centre, I am black and blue and very sore from my trip and fall.



Thumbs up

To Collingwood making the AFL Grand Final. Go Pies.



Thumbs up

To everyone from Pakenham Road Runners training so hard for upcoming events.



Thumbs down

To people who think it's safe to park a car or stop on the freeway in the emergency lane when it's not an emergency. It says it in the name 'emergency lane' and it is actually illegal and dangerous.



Thumbs up

To Cardinia Shire Council for mowing the grass more regularly.



Thumbs down

To people who put hard rubbish out, it's there for weeks sometimes, I have to ring Cardinia Council myself sometimes to prompt the removal.



Thumbs up

Here's to all our local south and central regional competitors who did us proud at the 175th Royal Melbourne Show.



Thumbs down

To people who drive in the right lane of a freeway without overtaking anyone.



Thumbs up

To The Railway Hotel Pakenham on reopening. Great food, great staff and a fantastic sports bar.



Thumbs up

To our tireless volunteers at the Food Store at St Luke's, Cockatoo, who worked so hard yesterday to assist 60 people in need.



Thumbs up

To everyone from Pakenham Road Runners training so hard for upcoming events.



Thumbs down

To listening to all the Collingwood supporters this week.

SOCIALLY SPEAKING

There has been a crushing close to the search for a 1979 Holden Kingswood, stolen from an elderly Pakenham man's home last week, after the vehicle was located burnt out in Menzies Creek.

Tracey Delaney

Terrible news for the gentleman. We know how we felt about our ute being stolen. Just senseless selfishness!

Clare McCormack

Poor fella. Who does this?

Andrea Sara Hocking

Why would you do that? Brainless.

Jennifer Koch has been a lifelong artist in the local area, contributing her own works across Cardinia and beyond, as well as helping others pursue their artist vision.

Nikki Terracall

One talented lady.

Step in right direction

I was speaking to a friend in Garfield the other night and the issue of the Voice to parliament came up in conversation.

Let's say we had strongly opposing views and I thought to myself I really don't want or need an argument.

Like all of us, friendships are extremely important to me.

He asked me if I felt guilty about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people? His question was in the context of - was I going to vote Yes out of guilt rather what he considered voting No out of uncertainty, pragmatism and commonsense.

It was a provocative question - which is why we're friends.

I thought for a moment and replied - yes I do feel guilt. I not only feel guilt but also deep shame for the Third World conditions, illnesses, dispossession, incarceration and early deaths of Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander people.

I feel guilt because whatever we do and have done in good faith to fix things hasn't worked.

Why is that?

Maybe now it's best if they have an opportunity for themselves to have their own say in the decisions that affect them so they can determine their own path.

Lately I've had the privilege of working with local Indigenous people on cultural burns and also become friends with the blokes from Dardi Munwurra who do front line street work with young Indigenous kids.

I have a strong sense that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people carry a deep unresolved pain in their spirit, heart and soul.

It's largely due to the brutality of colonialism, dispossession of their land, stolen children and indeed not even being recognised as a race of people when the Australian constitution was formulated in 1901.

Little wonder they often live on the fringes and don't feel they belong or indeed included in our world.

The Voice came from the Ulu'u Statement of the Heart, not politicians. It's up to each one of us and it's our duty as individuals to decide - not politicians and political rhetoric.

This is a very difficult time for them and all of us as a community as sadly the issue has become so divisive.

Regardless of your voting intentions, I hope that everyone will reflect and find out for themselves the truth of this matter and then respond to what's in your heart.

That's the most important thing.

A Yes vote might not fix everything but it's a good start in the right direction.

**Tony Fitzgerald,
Garfield North**

Leading the way forward

A new chapter has been initiated in the history of Outlook Australia, as they welcome their new CEO, Daniel Findley, who they say will lead the organisation with vision, passion, and commitment to their mission.

Daniel has proven to be an excellent leader, with a focus on driving strategies that take corporations to the next level.

He has earned the confidence of stakeholders, built support among diverse groups, led cross-functional staff and volunteers, and established a positive and enthusiastic corporate culture.

Outlook believes his leadership will inspire all of them to reach new heights as an organisation.

Chair Fran Boyd said together, they will further their mission and make a meaningful difference in the lives of those they serve.

"Daniel has an impressive history of successfully leading non-profit organisations towards growth and success including demanding CEO roles with West Arnhem Regional Council, Masonic Care Tasmania, and Sparkways where he has demonstrated his capacity to lead complex organisations with empathy and focus," Ms Boyd said.

"We are confident Daniel will provide clear leadership as we continue our growth with purpose."

Mr Findley is proud to take on such a role.

"I'm deeply honoured to join Outlook Australia, a pioneering social enterprise with over 50 years dedicated to inclusivity, providing sustainable opportunities for people with

disability," Mr Findley said.

"I'm particularly captivated by Outlook's commitment to purpose-driven growth, its vision for an inclusive society, and its strong support for staff development.

"These elements resonate seamlessly with my leadership philosophy, which is focused on driving performance, engaging stakeholders, and nurturing team talent, thereby adding a rich layer of depth and purpose to my role."

Outlook Australia has been dedicated to creating and facilitating sustainable opportunities for people with disabilities to live, work, and play within our communities for over 50 years.

Outlook has achieved remarkable milestones and positively impacted countless lives in the community.

With Daniel as CEO, Outlook is confident that they will continue to grow and thrive, enhancing reach and impact.

"As I assume the CEO role, I'm eager to build on the robust foundation laid by my predecessor, Sam Sondhi, and the dedicated Outlook team," Mr Findley said.

"My initial focus will be on fostering collaboration by getting to know our team, enhancing stakeholder relationships, and personally visiting all our services.

"Committed to strategic growth and social impact, and backed by a skilled board and committed staff, I'm confident we'll not only meet but exceed our goals, continuing to be a beacon for inclusivity."

Daniel will officially assume the role of CEO on Monday 16 October, 2023.



Daniel Findley has been appointed the new CEO of Outlook Australia.

Picture: SUPPLIED

Roundabout plans flop, section to close permanently

By Eleanor Wilson

Cardinia Shire Council has moved to permanently close a section of Mulcahy Road, near the Pakenham Cemetery.

Council began discussions surrounding the closure of Mulcahy Road between Thewlis Road and Moritz Street 12 months ago, after it was determined that original plans to construct a roundabout in the section would not be feasible.

According to council, The Cardinia Road Precinct Structure Plan indicated Mulcahy Road was to be constructed and become a collector road that would have provided access to the various developments to be constructed in the area, such as the Mt Pleasant Estate.

A roundabout was proposed for the intersection of Thewlis Road and Mulcahy Road, but engineer investigations found there was not sufficient space for a properly designed roundabout that would allow the Thewlis Road/Kenneth Road/Mulcahy Road intersection to function safely.

The roundabout would have required additional land from the cemetery to function properly, which would mean the excavation and relocation of grave sites.

At a council meeting on 18 September, councillors voted unanimously to perma-



The discontinued section of Mulcahy Road is likely to be acquired by the adjacent cemetery.

Picture: ELEANOR WILSON

nently close the western end of Mulcahy Road instead.

The road closure proposal was extended for community and stakeholder consultation last year, with no adverse submissions received.

A traffic impact assessment was also undertaken, determining that the anticipated traffic flow along the road could be redirected along the surrounding road network without

causing impractical capacity.

Motorists wishing to enter the Mt Pleasant estate will be able to do so via Havana Parade and Pointer Drive, council officers said.

There would also be no adverse impact to bus routes or access points.

The Pakenham Cemetery has expressed interest in acquiring the land to expand its operations capacity and is expected to engage in further discussions to formalise proceedings.



Council announced it would permanently close the western end of Mulcahy Road.

Councillor Carol Ryan said the potential acquisition of the parcel of land by the cemetery trust would be a "great outcome".

"The Pakenham Cemetery had been struggling continually for extra land, as there's not much room there, the majority of it is taken up with grave sites now," Cr Ryan said.

"I think this parcel of land, with the interest of the Pakenham Cemetery, hopefully it will go through and they will have that extra land to service our community."

Councillor Brett Owen concurred the decision was a good outcome for the community.

"This is a good outcome to help provide the cemetery trust with additional land, with no adverse impacts of what an upgraded intersection with Thewlis Road would have provided to the cemetery."



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Suburbs join the comeback

By Matthew Sims

Independent real estate analyst Hotspotting has named Casey as the third best performer in sales activity across the country during the previous quarter, with further recovery and resurgence predicted heading into the spring quarter.

Meanwhile, Cardinia Shire has "joined the theme of resurgence" which is being seen across regional Victoria, the report said, which classified Cardinia as "on the fringe of Greater Melbourne".

According to the Hotspotting Price Predictor Index (PPI) for Spring 2023, the City of Casey was prominent in the Greater Melbourne comeback.

Hotspotting director Terry Ryder said that the PPI was a tool based on trends in sales volumes or the number of sales of houses and units.

"The misuse of median prices and price indexes confuses and misinforms more than it enlightens," he said.

"There is no disputing sales volumes data recorded by government departments."

Hotspotting general manager Tim Graham said Melbourne had staged a turnaround in the latest quarter, transitioning from a struggling

market to one showing promise of buoyancy.

"The outer-ring LGAs illustrate the recovery trend," he said.

"The City of Casey in the far south-east, which previously had many declining suburbs, now has three rising and nine recovering suburbs among the 15 in our analysis."

"Growth markets include Botanic Ridge with a median house price of \$920,000, Doveton with a median price of \$590,000, and Endeavour Hills with a median house price of \$800,000."

The most significant change has been in suburbs transitioning from declining or plateau markets to recovering ones, including Cranbourne with a median price of \$645,000, Berwick with a median price of \$865,000 and Clyde with a median price of \$680,000.

Narre Warren South was the only suburb shown to be declining, with a median house price of \$800,000.

Mr Ryder said Melbourne City was the stand-out market in Greater Melbourne, rising on the emerging national trend of buyers opting increasingly for apartments as a lifestyle choice or an affordability measure.

"Of the 10 City of Melbourne suburbs in our

analysis, seven are rising markets, one is a consistency market and one a recovering market," he said.

"Rising markets include Melbourne CBD with a median unit price of \$415,000, East Melbourne with a median unit price of \$850,000, West Melbourne with a median unit price of \$495,000, and Docklands with a median unit price of \$645,000."

Mr Ryder said the changes within the Melbourne market were "quite dramatic".

"Three months ago, we reported a glimmer of recovery but overall, Greater Melbourne was still a struggling market," he said.

"Now the city's markets are pumping, with 73 per cent of suburbs recording positive activity."

Mr Ryder said the rate of price growth in cities and regional markets across Australia was likely to accelerate in the wake of major uplifts in sales activity in many locations.

"The previous edition recorded the first signs of recovery, but this spring survey shows a dramatic upturn in the revival momentum in most market jurisdictions in Australia," he said.

"Without question, recovery and resurgence are the dominant themes with seven out

of 10 locations in the nation now having positive sales activity trends - a massive improvement on the situation three months ago, when we saw the first signs of revival."

Mr Ryder said seven out of 10 locations across Australia now had strong sales activity, an improvement on three months ago when he noted that "recovery is emerging as a dominant theme across Australia".

"We are seeing growth momentum in most corners of the nation," he said.

"Resurgence and growth are the dominant themes.

"It's clear that multiple rate rises have had little impact."

Mr Ryder said their analysis also refuted a number of media reports claiming that the growth in the regions was caused by Covid, when the trend has been underway for much longer and therefore that residents will move back to the big cities.

"We've seen multiple headlines suggesting that demand in regional markets has collapsed and that prices are no longer rising," he said.

"Regional markets remain strong and indeed, we have recorded significant upturn in buyer demand in the regional areas of the eastern states."

Ground-breaking approach to monitoring the platypus

This spring, Melbourne Water is taking proactive measures to help the platypus in Victorian waterways, with Cannibal Creek hosting a small but significant population of platypus.

Environmental DNA (e-DNA) technology is being used alongside routine trapping methods to initiate a comprehensive surveillance program.

Using this ground-breaking approach, Melbourne Water along with other research partners will significantly enhance historical trapping data collected since 1995 and monitor long-term changes in platypus distribution across Greater Melbourne.

In Cardinia, Cannibal Creek has a small but significant population of platypus that was recovered in 2004 after 20 years of local extinction after the Ash Wednesday Bushfires.

Labertouche Creek and Cockatoo Creek have had sightings of platypus, surveying in detail the populations which exist can be vital for further conservation efforts.

This latest innovation supports monitoring and evaluation objectives in the Healthy Waterways Strategy and is an outcome of several years of research by Melbourne Water's Waterways and Wetlands Research Program - an integrated research program that aims to understand opportunities to protect and improve waterway health across Greater Melbourne in the face of future challenges such as urban growth and climate change.

Water samples are collected to capture



Melbourne Water is conducting surveillance projects of platypus populations across the state this spring. Picture: SUPPLIED

eDNA to target a single species or communities consisting of multiple species which helps inform state-wide conservation efforts with considerable accuracy as well as track Melbourne Water's progress towards managing its Healthy Waterways Strategy.

According to Dr Rhys Coleman, manager of waterways and wetlands research, platypus shed DNA such as faeces, urine and mucus naturally, which breaks down into the water environment, and can persist for days.

"The combination of DNA samples and traditional methods can be used to understand changes in the distribution of platypus across Greater Melbourne, major threats to their persistence and opportunities to protect them into the future," said Dr Coleman.

The Healthy Waterway Strategy also recognises the importance of vegetation, adequate stream flows and the management of

urban stormwater across Greater Melbourne, particularly for the preservation of platypus populations.

The presence of vegetation along waterways provides multiple benefits for platypus and the overall ecosystem.

It offers shade, which helps regulate water temperature, and provides habitat for various aquatic organisms that form part of the platypus' diet.

Vegetation also stabilises the banks, preventing erosion and maintaining water quality by filtering pollutants and sediment.

"To achieve the objectives of the Healthy Waterway Strategy 2018, Melbourne Water collaborates closely with its partners, including government agencies, local government, and the community," said Dr Coleman.

"This collaborative approach is essential to achieving what needs to be done to pro-

tect our precious waterways."

Melbourne Water has delivered in partnership with the community, customers and stakeholders, a total of 850 kilometres of established vegetation projects and 8,937 kilometres of managed vegetation projects region wide as part of the Healthy Water Strategy 2018 to protect our priority waterways in Greater Melbourne.

"This achievement reflects the commitment of Melbourne Water and its partners to the conservation and enhancement of these important waterways," said Dr Coleman.

Melbourne Water and its partners employ various strategies to increase the vegetation cover, manage stormwater, improve habitat connectivity, and provide environmental water for a more diverse and resilient ecosystem.

Monitoring and research are essential components of the Healthy Waterway Strategy.

Regular assessments of works along waterways helps track the success of conservation efforts and inform future management decisions.

By collecting data on the condition of waterways and the wildlife they support, Melbourne Water and its partners can adapt their strategies and ensure the long-term sustainability of these valuable ecosystems.

For detailed locations on platypus populations in priority catchment areas, visit the Melbourne Water Healthy Waterways website.



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Shanikas savours success

By Corey Everitt

Shanikas continues to put the South East on the map when it comes to dining, with its quality cuisine and hospitality awarding the venue the title of best Italian restaurant in the state.

On Monday 18 September, the Restaurant & Catering Association held its 2023 Awards for Excellence celebrating the achievements of dining establishments across Victoria and Tasmania.

Berwick's staple of dining, Shanikas, took the category for best Italian restaurant.

Shanikas was the only nominee to be located more than 5 kilometres from the Melbourne CBD, up against big names such as the iconic Brunetti's in Carlton and South Yarra's Thirty Eight Chairs.

Co-owner Damian Krylov went to the ceremony on Monday and was excited simply to be nominated alongside so many big names.

"It's interesting being the sort of little guy from the South East, you're in the city, nice suit, in there with all the big restaurants from Vic and Tassie, it was really cool to be there," Damian said.

"It was nice to actually get there and get some recognition for actually being as good as those kind of guys because you always think that the South East there is not much sort of out this way."

From serving Berwick for over three decades and Pakenham for almost two, Shanikas have known for a while that they can rub shoulders with the best.

"Even though we are all the way out in the South East, we're definitely a destination restaurant where a lot of customers tell us we're up there with the best," Damian said.

"We've always known we are up to the standards of the big city restaurants."

When the winner was announced, it was significant vindication.



The Shanikas team with the award for best Italian restaurant in the state for 2023.

"When they read our name out, I think we all just lost it, the next half an hour was just a nice, energetic, happy blur," Damian said.

"A bit emotional, it's all the hard work all the whole team puts in, we have two restaurants, heaps of staff, a lot of people that work hard for us, it was nice to almost bring it home for them to show that the work you guys do is benefiting the team and what we are trying to do in the future."

Having won the state-level award, Shanikas has a chance to take the top spot in the country for 2023, being nominated for the national awards, to be held in November.

Once the celebrations for the latest achievement have settled, Damian will organise the trip up to Sydney where the national ceremony will be held.

Regardless of potential accolades in the future, for Shanikas this award demonstrates the

commitment they have to providing good service and even better food to anyone that walks through the door.

"It doesn't matter whether you come in for a first date or you been coming in for 30 years we're trying to make sure that every experience, especially in today's day in age where money is a bit tight, even if you are just coming out because you wanna treat yourself because you have been working hard, we here to make sure you have the best you can."

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Top five interviewing tips

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS
IAN ASH



What is the most important decision a business can make? Is it deciding on how to provide the best product or service?

Perhaps which are the best systems and processes to implement, or maybe determining the ideal target market? For me, the most important decision a business can make is hiring the right staff.

As Richard Branson said: "Clients do not come first. Employees come first. If you take care of your employees, they will take care of the clients." So, if you agree with my premise that having the right staff in your company is probably the single greatest determinant of business success, how many businesses do you know actually train their staff in how to interview properly?

I suspect not many, so here are some simple tips to maximise success

1. Write a position description for the role

Often we think they know what we want but it's not until these thoughts are actually put into readable form that the true breadth of the role becomes apparent.

Documenting this allows others to review your understanding of what's required as well as if the position interfaces with many others, getting their perspective is also very valuable.

A good position description will define the responsibilities of the role, the required experience/qualifications and personal attributes.

2. Focus on cultural fit

There is a phrase that states that 'companies hire on skills and fire on fit' and there is a very good reason for this.

Unless properly trained, interviewers will tend to ask questions related to the technical areas of the role that they are familiar with.

However, just about any 'technical skill' can be learnt with sufficient time and invest-



The most important decision a business can make is hiring the right staff, Ian Ash reports.

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ment, but try training someone in initiative, discretion or commitment!

These are all much harder and typically are part of an individual's personality or core values, so checking that these align as far as possible with those of the business is key.

3. Identify three core competencies and prepare about three questions for each

At first sight, this may seem inadequate to fully evaluate a candidate, but when forced to focus on just the three absolute must haves for the role, depth increases and you will find that a full discussion surrounding these will typically yield information from related areas as well anyway.

Conversely, going in with a long list of

questions is likely to result in a superficial response to each.

4. Listen well

May sound obvious, but many interviewers fall into the trap of lining up the next question without fully listening to the response of the previous one.

If listening is done well, then the interview becomes more relaxed and conversational since the next question follows naturally from the previous one and hence more valuable information can be derived.

5. Offer the opportunity for questions at the start and the end

Interviewing these days is a two-way pro-

cess and it's extremely important the candidate receives a positive but accurate, 'warts and all' understanding of the role itself (they won't stay if they find the role is quite different to what they expected when they start).

This is also a great way to gauge a candidate's interest in the role as well.

Someone genuinely interested is highly likely to have a range of questions that they want answered, whereas few questions may imply a lack of desire.

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The school looks to nurture the holistic development of each child at the school.

For the St Clare's family, numeracy and lit-

eracy skills are core elements of education; but so are religious education – developing empathy, social justice, and a strong moral compass.

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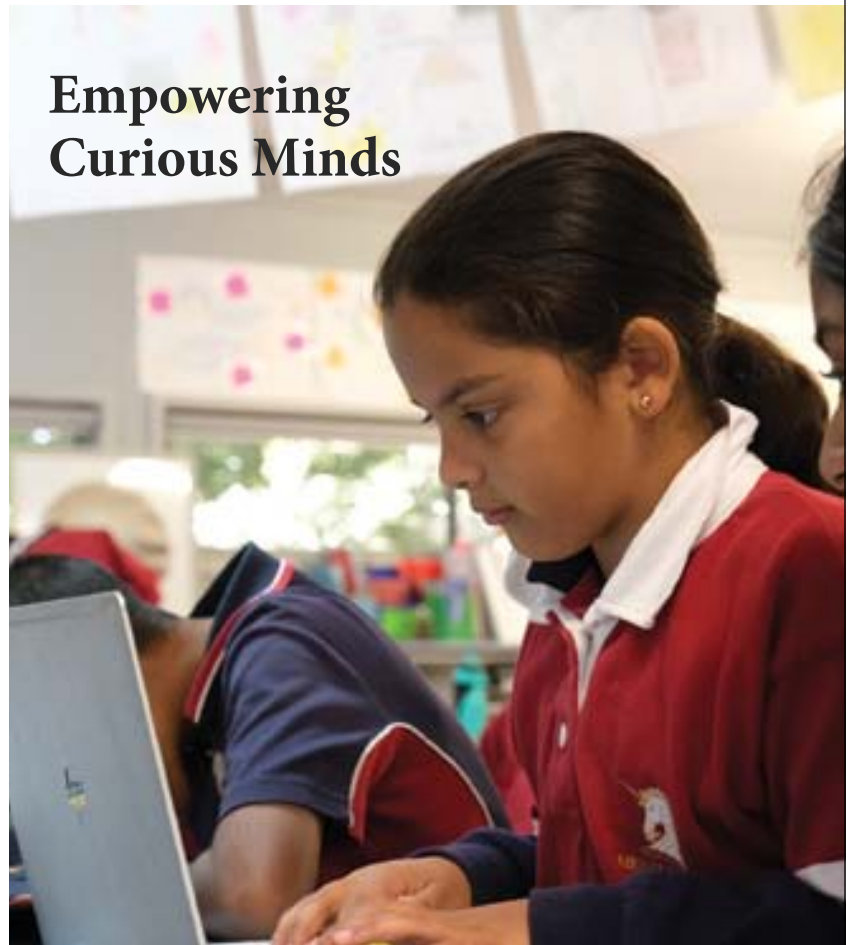
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Stamp for our hero athlete

By Neil Lucas

Australia Post has announced the distribution of a new \$1.20 stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of athlete, and Australia's first Olympian Edwin Flack.

Flack owned a farm in Beaumont Road, Berwick and his remains were buried at the Berwick Cemetery following his death in 1935.

On the centenary of Flack's triumphs in the 1896 Athens Olympics, the first Olympics of the modern era, a statue funded by local residents was erected in the High Street in Berwick.

The statue was unveiled by the legendary athlete John Landy and the vice-chairman of the International Olympic Committee Kevin Gosper - both former Olympians.

Edwin Flack was born in East London, England in November 1873 and as a five-year-old came to live in Melbourne when his father Joseph migrated the family to Australia.

In Melbourne Flack attended Melbourne Grammar School from 1886 to 1892 where he excelled as a student and as the school mile champion.

Upon leaving school Flack joined his father's accountancy firm Davey, Flack & Co whilst continuing his athletics career with some success, winning the mile title at the Australasian Championships in 1893 (during this era the championships were conducted for athletes from both Australia and New Zealand). In the following year Flack won both the mile and half mile at the Victorian Athletics Championships.

Flack's father was keen for young Edwin to progress in his accountancy career and arranged for him to study further in London under his former professional colleague Edwin Waterhouse at the firm Price Waterhouse.

Flack sailed to England via Cape Horn in 1895, visiting Argentina en route, and once settled in London, continued his running, competing regularly with three local athletics clubs.

Flack's running mates became aware of



A statue erected in High Street to acknowledge Australia's first Olympic gold medallist and his connection to Berwick.

Baron Pierre de Coubertin's intention to commence a modern Olympics in the following year and many were making plans to attend.

Flack was also keen to compete in the Games and so took leave and travelled to Greece arriving just five days before the Games commenced. Flack's success at the first Olympics is legendary with him winning both the 800 metres and 1500 metres, competing in the tennis singles and doubles and completing 37 kilometres of the marathon prior to his withdrawal.

Following Flack's first win on the track the Games organisers had some difficulty in raising a flag, initially raising the Austrian flag but having it pointed out to them that Flack was in fact an Australian! (The Australian flag was not created until after Federation and was first flown in September 1901 - the Victorian Flag had been adopted some years earlier in 1870).



Edwin Flack directed that the proceeds of his estate be left in a charitable fund named after him and his sister Marion.

In any event, the officials raised the Union Jack for Flack as Australia was part of the British Empire. An early publication recording the history of the early Olympics records Flack as "G.B." - Great Britain.

Flack returned to Australia to join his father in the accountancy business which was renamed Flack & Flack and they opened branches in Perth and Kalgoorlie in Western Australia. Edwin Flack became the senior partner on his father's death and later the firm joined the large worldwide Price Waterhouse.

Flack acquired a farm "Burnbank" located in Berwick between Beaumont and Buchanan Roads and entered into a partnership with Sir Sydney Sewell who owned the property "Roads End" adjacent to the north of his farm. The partnership ran a dairy herd comprising friesian cattle and achieved great success winning

awards for their butterfat production.

On Sir Sydney's retirement Flack entered into a partnership with the former head of Dookie Agricultural College, William Gamble (Snr) and they leased two additional farming properties - "Ardblair" on the other side of Beaumont Road from "Burnbank", and "Mansfield" which was located on the west side of Berwick-Cranbourne Road between the Princes Highway and southwards to Golf Links Road.

At one time three dairy herds were milked - one at each property. Their champion cow Dominion Iona produced 32 litres of milk in a day - an Australian record. The cow needed to be milked three times each day.

The friesian cattle were shown at local agricultural shows and in one year a special train took the cattle to and from the Royal Show in Ascot Vale. The partnership also established the Burnbank Cheese Factory. The cheese produced was marketed as "Burnbank Cheese" and sold in black and white wrapping representing the black and white friesian cattle.

The partners also established a piggery, importing duroc-jersey pigs from overseas, probably from the USA, where the breed had originated from crossing duroc and Jersey red stock. At one stage the partners also bred and marketed black and white poultry.

Flack lived in East Melbourne and kept a horse in stables at South Yarra often riding along Alexandra Avenue adjacent to the Botanic Gardens. On most weekends he travelled to the farm in Berwick and enjoyed what was then a pleasant country lifestyle.

Records of the Berwick Anglican Church note Flack giving a generous donation to support the church's annual flower show.

Flack directed that the proceeds of his estate be left in a charitable fund named after him and his sister Marion. The fund (Marian and E.H. Flack Trust) continues to this day distributing funds to worthy causes.

NEWS

Prepare now for fire by cleaning up and creating a plan

The Pakenham CFA is encouraging people to reduce fuel loads around their properties as the mercury rises and we edge closer to an earlier fire season.

Victoria can expect a warmer spring, contributing to higher fire risk in parts of the state this season, according to the latest Spring Seasonal Outlook.

There are a number of simple tasks people can complete to reduce their risk this season, and now is the time to start taking action.

Pakenham CFA Captain Christopher Poulton said the community in Cardinia, whether it's in the bush or the suburban centres, should take precautions in this vital time before fire season.

"Everyone in Victoria who lives near dense

forest, bush, grassland or the coast needs to prepare their property for bushfire," he said.

"Fires can occur where the suburbs meet the bush or in urban areas where houses have grass, bushland or parkland around them."

Captain Poulton said reducing fuel loads is something residents can address straight away.

"Well-placed garden beds, firebreaks and reducing vegetation under trees are all ways you can manage fire risk," he said.

"Reducing the vegetation around your home is one of the most important things you can do to keep your home safe in a bushfire."

"Good separation is provided between all trees and garden beds to help slow fire spread. The entire area is irrigated to keep plants lush

over hot summer days."

Captain Poulton said to keep an eye hazards around the house, such as small trees, which can catch embers, and ensure they're kept a good distance from your house.

While actions such as clearing your gutters, picking up loose leaves and twigs, pruning branches and maintaining your lawn are key practices to eliminate hazards.

Captain Poulton says residents should use the resources at their disposal for preparation.

"Residents can head to the CFA website cfa.vic.gov.au and look up how to prepare your property where they can download brochures such as Your Guide to Property Preparation and many others to assist you with planning and preparing before, during and after a fire, as well as organising a Fire Ready Kit."

CFA Chief Officer Jason Heffernan said the CFA encourages everyone to also sit down with your family or household to discuss and practice their bushfire survival plan together.

"CFA has all the information you need on our website to create a clear bushfire plan with your loved ones," he said.

"If you already have one, blow the dust off

it and go over it with your family.

"Practising your bushfire survival plan could save your family's life."

Victorians can learn more about how to prepare their property at cfa.vic.gov.au/prepare, and for more about bushfire survival plan, visit cfa.vic.gov.au/bushfireplan

The CFA asks residents to conduct the following actions to prepare yourself and your property:

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

For any burn-offs, CFA asks residents take the quick and easy registration form so authorities are aware by using the Fire Permits Victoria website at firepermits.vic.gov.au/notify or call ESTA on 1800 688 511. To make sure your household has a Bushfire Survival Plan. Find out how at cfa.vic.gov.au/bushfireplan



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Who's behind the wheel?

Research led by RMIT University has looked at what happens if a driver is suddenly required to take control of an automated vehicle, such as in an emergency.

The series of papers examines how experience and three types of distractions (work, social media and rest) impacted on the driver's ability to respond.

Study lead author in the School of Engineering, Dr Neng Zhang, said authorities need to begin drafting policies to regulate the responsible use of automated vehicles before Level 3 and 4 automated vehicles appear on Australian roads.

While the National Transport Commission has outlined a regulatory framework for automated vehicles in Australia, driver training, licensing and obligations are still being considered.

Laying the road to regulation

There are five levels of vehicle automation. Already, Level 1 and Level 2 are common through features such as lane keeping, automated parking and cruise control. More advanced automated vehicles – what we think of when we say 'driverless cars' – are currently being trialled but are not yet commercially available in Australia.

"In Level 3 and 4 automated driving, the human driver will still need to respond in an emergency, taking control of the vehicle," said Dr Zhang.

"This data is a starting place for regulation and could lead to data-backed legislation that ensures drivers are given enough time to respond quickly and flawlessly to emergency events."

A study of distraction

Using a Level 3 automated vehicle simulation, the researchers tested participants' speed and effectiveness in taking over the vehicle in the event of an emergency.

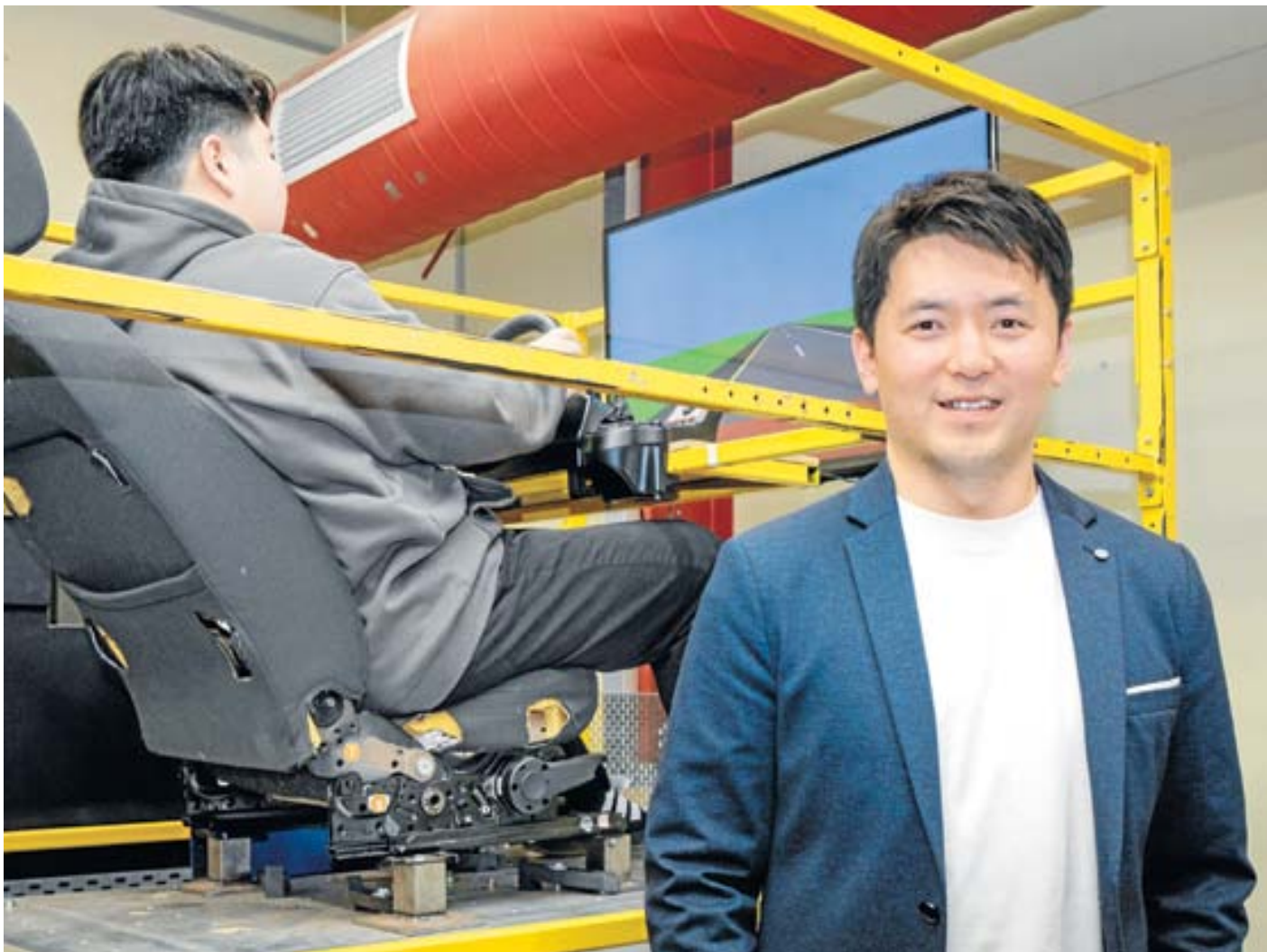
"We had them writing business emails (working condition), watching videos (entertaining condition), and taking a break with their eyes closed (resting condition)," said Dr Zhang.

"These tasks required drivers to invest high, moderate, and low levels of mental workload. We tested their responses after a short interval (five minutes) or long interval (30 minutes) of participating in one of these tasks. All of these tasks worsened the takeover and led to a period of poorer driving.

"We found that resting resulted in the worst takeover response, followed by working. Social media was less disruptive. However, the longer the participant engaged in an activity, the worse their response was to an emergency."

The cross-disciplinary research team brought together RMIT expertise in human body vibration, automotive engineering and cognitive psychology from the School of Engineering, School of Health and Biomedical Sciences and School of Science.

Biomedical researcher and author on the papers, Professor Stephen Robinson, warned that emergencies require a high level



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of cognition.

"As soon as something unexpected happens, such as a child running across the road, we need to be able to use our full cognitive abilities to assess the situation and take appropriate action," said Professor Robinson.

"Takeover requests in automated vehicles occur when the onboard computer lacks the capacity to deal with changed or complex driving conditions. Such conditions are potentially dangerous and require the driver to focus quickly and act decisively to keep our roads safe."

Young drivers to struggle with emergency takeovers

In addition to distractions, the study looked at the experience of drivers with a focus on young people.

"We found that driving experience and takeover performance were highly correlated, with inexperienced drivers (with less than 20,000 kilometres of driving experience) responding more slowly and less effectively. The

distance driven since gaining a driver's licence is more important than the number of years since the licence was issued," said Dr Zhang.

"Our findings highlight the need for vehicle manufacturers and licencing authorities to develop solutions that ensure that conditionally automated vehicles are safe for drivers with varying experience levels."

Driving research to back legislation

The paper, "Is driving experience all that matters? Drivers' takeover performance in conditionally automated driving", with lead author Neng Zhang, was published in the Journal of Safety Research this month.

It builds on "Influence of non-driving related tasks on driving performance after takeover transition in conditionally automated driving" published in Transportation Research Part F: Traffic Psychology and Behaviour in mid-2023.

The team is now investigating how to stimulate alertness and improve effectiveness of driver takeovers.

Engineering expert and author on the papers, Professor Mohammad Fard, explained that seamless and safe transition between vehicle automation and human is the goal.

"The aim of our work is to enhance 'human-automation interaction' for autonomous vehicles and significantly improve the way humans interact with and control these advanced autonomous vehicles, leading to enhanced efficiency and safety in their operation," said Professor Fard.

However, there is a limit to what the engineering and design of autonomous vehicles can achieve. The researchers emphasised that regulations must also address issues such as distraction, alertness and experience before Level 3 automation can be successfully adopted in Australia.

"Governments can effectively safeguard road safety by acknowledging these detrimental effects and regulating non-driving activities in the context of autonomous driving."

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Sikh history in art

A new place for gathering is now open for those within the Sikh community in Casey, with the Bush Diwan exhibition now open in the Bunjil Place Gallery until 12 November, acknowledging diverse stories of Sikh migration and community formation in Australia.

First exhibited at the Benalla Art Gallery last year, curated by Amrit Gill and Reina Takeuchi and developed by 4A Centre for Contemporary Asian Art, the exhibition centres on the story of Siva Singh, an early 20th century regional Victorian resident living at Reef Hills outside Benalla, Sikh community leader and civil rights campaigner.

Across October, a series of talks and workshops will also be held to explore the exhibition's themes and ideas further, including a performance by artist Anindita Banerjee, a poetry workshop and a curator talk.

Using media ranging from screen, stills, sound, performance, sculpture, and textiles, the exhibition shines a light on Sikh history in Australia by exploring identity and the foundations of community.

Ms Gill said as diwan was a Punjabi word

which means gathering or religious event, the local Sikh community responded well to the exhibition during a community ambassador event on Saturday 16 September.

"They felt that it can have a lot of importance in the South Eastern diaspora," she said.

"We took the word diwan' as a starting point for this exhibition."

The artworks include Amardeep Shergill's 'Aussie Phulkari', incorporating the folk embroidery of the Punjab with the Australian colours of green and gold, and a poem named 'Sea, Pilgrim' from artist Manisha Anjali.

Ms Gill said the works deal with themes of how individuals and communities settle and restart, find solidarity within themselves and others and gather in conversations.

"We hope that it might resonate with people," she said.

City of Casey chair of administrators Noeline Duff PSM said providing arts and cultural opportunities which reflect the stories held within Casey's community was an important part of council's responsibilities.

"As one of the most culturally diverse municipalities in Victoria, council is committed to providing a wide range of arts and cultural experiences that bring our community together," she said.

"Bush Diwan is a unique exhibition that allows us to appreciate different forms of cultural expression, foster cultural awareness and build community connection."

Curator Reina Takeuchi said the exhibition does not simply recount Mr Singh's migration journey.

"Instead, it weaves together multiple narratives centered on reconciliation and community building," she said.

"It serves as a window into the wealth of untold Asian Australian migration stories - providing us a valuable opportunity to delve deeper into pivotal moments in Australia's history of migration."

For more information on the exhibition and related public programs, visit Bunjil Place's website at bunjilplace.com.au/events/bush-diwan



Ken Horderm, David Gothard and Roger Barnett from Cardinia Men's Shed Pakenham cooking snags for a free community barbecue at the Pakenham Library as part of the Celebrating Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Stories, Cultures and Languages. 363252



Broadbent dogs Caesar and Luigi having a visit to Aunty Tam Murphy in Pakenham. 363252

Yes campaigners hit the streets

Be prepared for doorknockers this week, Pakenham.

They're not selling you anything, but instead encouraging you to vote yes in the upcoming referendum.

Organisers were seeking volunteers online earlier in the week.

Live from Emerald

A Victoria Police CCTV trailer has been spotted in Emerald. Local residents have seen the mobile camera that has been erected in Paternoster Road as a result of issues raised by the public in relation to speeding vehicles and hoon behaviour in the area.

Jesus over AFL

Gazette reader Linda Watson was out and about when she came across a sign at a church about the AFL Grand Final.

But instead of taking sides, the Camberwell church posted this message: This September, make your goal... Jesus.

Stop the press

Premier Daniel Andrews made a surprise announcement on Tuesday 26 September, announcing his intention to quit after almost a decade in the top job.

He made the announcement at a snap press conference at state parliament on Tuesday with his wife Cath beside him.

A pair of bandicoots

Star News Group photographer Stewart Chambers was met with an unusual sight at a job on Friday 22 September: a pair of human-sized bandicoots with goggles and comical front teeth.

The Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria officially opened the Big Bandicoot Backyard installation at the Cranbourne Botanic Gardens, featuring a sculpture of the cuddly creature from artists Darryl Cordell, Vanessa Ellis and Trina Gaskell.

The event was also the first public event for new Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria chief executive David Harland. While Stewart was trying to get a nice photo of David, theatre troupe Born in a Taxi was putting on a show for the young attendees, with full-sized bandicoots Shazza and Razza delighting the crowd with their loud and proud okka routine. The event was definitely an interesting experience for the Cranbourne Star News' newest reporter Violet Li.

LOOKING BACK

30 YEARS TO 1993

The highlight of ROC Netball Club's presentation night was the granting of a life membership to Tina Tivendale. She became only the third person to earn that honour, joining Pam Boyd and Fay McCoubrie. Tina's record within the club and the WGNA needs little elaboration. Her reputation was further enhanced by winning her 11th A Grade best and fairest award, as well as being runner-up in the association this year. The dedicated Kaye Turner was runner-up to Tina for the senior club award. Kerry Lawler's outstanding performance in defence earned her the award as most consistent. Marita Flynn's best and fairest in B Grade was a sobering reminder of her A Grade potential. Runner-up was Kylie De Roode and Josie Shinnars most determined. The C Grade awards were kept very much in the family, with three old-timers dominating. Pam Boyd won the best and fairest, club president Chris Remy was runner-up and Lynne Vickery, on her return to the club, was the most determined.

20 YEARS TO 2003

The history of Maryknoll has been captured forever thanks to a book written by long-term resident Gael White. She first wrote the book, Maryknoll, History of a Catholic Rural Settlement, 20 years ago at the request of her neighbours and had been waiting for someone to put their hand up to pen a revised edition. When no-one came forward, she did it herself, devoting hundreds of hours to research and interviews. Maryknoll was founded in 1950 by seven catholic families who wanted to form their own community. It was initiated by Father Pooley, a prominent and respected figure who died in 1969. The idea of complete isolation did not last long and the first non-Catholic family bought land in Maryknoll in 1960.



Looking back 10 years to 2013: Chris Drysdale and John McMahon from Berwick Woodworkers Club with some of the items already made from the reclaimed timber from Clyde Road's oak trees.

10 YEARS TO 2013

Berwick's historic oak trees will live on around the town thanks to work of the Berwick District Woodworkers Club. The oak trees along Clyde Road were either cut down or relocated in late 2011 and early 2012 to make way for the \$55.6 million duplication, which was recently completed. The wood was donated to the club to make items to be located around Berwick, including bench seating for Akoonah Park and a possible sculpture park at Monash University Berwick campus. Woodworkers club president

Chris Drysdale said it would be great to see the timber kept in Berwick and used for "unique things". Some of the timber had already been transformed into signs for Akoonah Park, including the Gordon Fyfe Cattle Judging Ring. Seven of the oak trees were relocated to the Old Cheese Factory and Pioneers Park in December 2011 but the community unsuccessfully rallied to save the biggest tree, formerly opposite Genesis gym. It is believed Captain Robert Gardiner planted that oak tree more than 175 years ago when he named the town.

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Make room in the trophy cabinet! The almighty Narre Warren netballers celebrate a dominant day in which they won six of seven grand finals. 362384

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Magpies net historic haul

By Marcus Uhe

Saturday 23 September will live long in the memory of all connected to Narre Warren netball on the back of remarkable success stories through both its senior and junior programs.

All four of the Magpies' senior sides, A, B, C and D grade, claimed grand final victories at Officer, following earlier premiership victories in 15-under and 17-under Blue.

Add to those six, the success of 15-under and 17-under White, the week before at Healesville, and you're left with eight premierships from a possible 10 sides entered into competitions at the start of the season.

All sides other than the 13-under team also topped their respective ladders in the home-and-away season as a show of remarkable consistency throughout the year.

From 72 senior home-and-away games in the four senior grades, the club scooped 66 wins, as D Grade went through the campaign undefeated, only losing a second semi-final by one goal on its way to the premiership.

The C Grade netball side left hearts in mouths, the last senior side to take to the court on grand final day, reeling in a five-goal three-quarter-time deficit to knock-off Olinda Ferny Creek, securing the fourth of four possible senior premierships for the club.

It sparked jubilant celebrations for the Magpies, as players in successful grades - who stuck around to watch the remainder of the afternoon's action - gathered in the middle of the court to sing the club song before the festivities continued back at the Kalora Park clubrooms.

There must be something special about the netball courts at Officer Recreation Reserve, as

it was the scene of the 2016 sweep of the senior grades too in the South East Football Netball League.

B Grade and 17 Blue coach Michelle Mashado said Saturday's achievements will go down as one of the best days in the club's recent history.

"We came away with eight flags in 2023, (so) this had to be one of the best years," she said.

"I think the way we attacked preseason and the girls got around one-another, anything's possible, but we probably could see that they were pretty strong teams going forward."

The commitment and dedication behind the scenes from the likes of Mashado, Treasurer and head of the netball program Kim Tonna, Football Netball Club President Stuart Stephenson and many more, all comes to fruition on days like Saturday, when the flags and cups are presented at the clubrooms with great pride, along with the under 19s and reserves football silverware.

Stephenson said he was extremely proud of the exploits of the netballers and the success of the netball program.

"Led by our coaches and volunteers, we think we have created a great space for our young netballers to excel," Stephenson said.

"Michelle and Kim have created an open and inclusive, culturally diverse club where everyone feels welcome.

"A lot of the senior girls take on the coaching roles of the junior netballers, which I think helps bring them into the club culture and lets them know how important the club is, what volunteering is about, and what brings success."

Mashado believes the successful culture is born through influencing the club's youngest participants and making the club a destination

that people want to be a part of.

"They come in under 13s and they stay with us," she said.

"They just keep getting better and, as the years go on, they filter them up through senior netball and they know the structures and training program.

"I think that's the key to our success, keeping our juniors.

"I think people want to stay because it's such a family orientated club.

"We do incorporate a few events to have the seniors and the juniors together, and I think that's something the juniors look forward to, and the seniors embrace."

Erin Bell's A Grade side provided one of the highlights of the day by securing the championship with a 54-44 win over Wandin.

Despite finishing at the top of the table in the home and away season, her team was forced to do it the hard way in September, losing to the Bulldogs in a second semi-final and having to overcome Mt Evelyn in the preliminary final at Yarra Junction, a side that had beaten them twice in the home-and-away season.

With the pressure on in the final term, a 10-goal run silenced the critics and snatched the momentum to ensure more premiership glory for the club.

"It's an incredible club to be a part of, obviously a really successful club as well," Bell said of Narre Warren.

"It's a credit to everyone who runs it behind the scenes.

"The players want to be there and everyone has that heart.

"It's really nice to be a part of."

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Hirst at the heart of it all

By Marcus Uhe

Cody Hirst described the bond between the playing group at Wandin as a 'brotherhood', and the reality is not too far removed from the analogy.

The midfielder, who was crowned best-afield in the grand final triumph over Narre Warren, had the special distinction of winning a senior premierships with his brother Daniel.

They, along with the Hodgett's (Sam and Patrick) and the Garner's (Joel and Todd) made up more than a quarter of the premiership side on Saturday.

But to simplify a brotherhood to just the legitimate bloodlines would not do the connection within the squad justice.

"To do it with us and the Byrne's, the Hodgett's, we've known each other for years, and the Garners, we all went to primary school together," Hirst said after the game.

"To win one together means the absolute word.

"The whole club, everyone's a real brotherhood and I love it.

"To do it with my brother as well, I'm speechless."

Hirst was the standout among a quality band of midfielders on Saturday, covering the ground with ease and racking up possessions at will, while joining Daniel on the goalkicker's list for the first time this season.

For Hirst, who finished second in the league best-and-fairest behind one of Saturday's combatants in Tom Miller, the domi-



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL BEST ON GROUND - CODY HIRST

nant performance was the culmination of an incredible year for the club, his second in red white and blue.

Things could have gone either way midway through the second quarter, when Narre Warren were landing blow-after-blow after an early Wandin onslaught.

But the Bulldogs had an intangible forged through the fire and hardship of getting to the last day of the season the hard way; belief.

"We talked about it all year and in pre-season we all showed up," he said.

"We had a few little hiccups throughout the year but we dealt with it, overcome them and it's the best feeling in the world.

"We knew the tide was going to change, we knew they were going to come.

"Their midfield is really good, Miller, (Kurt) Mutimer, (Tom) Toner, we knew it was going to happen.

"We knew we had to stick to our process and we knew that we'd be right.

"That game could have gone two ways, it was a bit of a flip of the coin.

"We had the belief. Our footy club is all about belief and we talk about it.

"To the Wandin army, to our supporters who come out, it was like having a 23rd man out there.

"They're a great outfit, so to run over the top of them and get the job done, I'm pretty speechless, I'm so proud of them."



Cody Hirst with his well-earned silverware as the best player on the ground in the grand final. 362388

Picture: ROB CAREW

Enormity hits home as Bruzzese and Hinds join greats

By Marcus Uhe

The enormity of Patrick Bruzzese's achievement was only just sinking in when he was told a special piece of information on Saturday evening.

Now a two-time premierships player after playing as an 18-year-old winger in 2018, the dynamic midfielder has just led his team - made up of largely his best mates - to premierships success at such an early age, a fact he was struggling to come to terms with.

"Someone came up to me earlier and said 'There are only five of us left living,'" said the new premierships captain.

"I'm 23-years-old captaining a premierships side, who does that?"

"For me and Tom (Hinds, co-captain) to put our mark on that is awesome.

"It's pretty wholesome."

Despite his age, the co-captain exudes the maturity of a veteran many years his senior.

So much so that his premierships experience from 2018 remains fresh in the memory, to the point where he can pinpoint differences between this year and then.

Previous iterations of the Bulldogs would have dropped their heads and not responded well to a side kicking a run on, where the Wandin of 2023 carried-on unperturbed, and fought fire with fire in the grand final.

The resilience shown, to go the hard way via the qualifying and preliminary finals, only steeled the resolve, before overthrowing the regional powerhouse, only adding to the satisfaction.

Having pushed the Magpies twice, and knocked them off once already this year, there was a belief that they could do it, instilled by the leaders and the coaching staff and bought into by all.



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL WANDIN CO-CAPTAIN - PATRICK BRUZZESE



Wandin's premierships co-captains, Patrick Bruzzese and Thomas Hinds. 362842

Picture: ROB CAREW

Add the internal drive of all involved, particularly those in the fringes of higher footballing honours, and it's a perfect cocktail of hunger.

"The boys are tight, and they're committed," he said.

"You get Joel (Garner) coming back from VFL and he wants to come here.

"Connor Smith wants to progress in his footy and go up higher, and that's awesome for him, but when he comes back here he gives 100 per cent.

"We've had recruits who just come in and get pay cheques, and it's not it anymore; the boys want to be here and they embrace us.

"Aaron Mullett came in and knew who he was.

"He embraced us, we didn't have to embrace him, he embraced us and got around us.

"I've won a flag with my best mate now, and three blokes I've played junior footy with my whole life."

But to a man, every Wandin person interviewed on Saturday spoke of the club's supporter base.

The 'Wandin Army' as they were colloquially dubbed roared with approval in the forward pocket at the highway end of Officer Recreation Reserve, having made the 45-minute drive through the Dandenong's to cheer their side on.

And you best-believe they could hear it.

"We said on Thursday night that there's going to be 3000 of us here, and they sit in the corner and they're louder than anyone," Bruzzese said.

"It means so much to them and you can tell when they flood the field.

"You get blokes who have been hanging around the club their whole life and some of the older boys, it means as much to them as it does to us."

Joining Bruzzese with two flags for the Bulldogs was Hinds, Daniel Hirst, Harrison Byrne, John Ladner, Patrick Hodgett, Tom Merlino and Clint Johnson.

Outer East Football Scoreboard

OUTER EAST GRAND FINALS

Saturday 23 September, 2023, at Officer

PREMIER DIVISION - SENIORS

Best on ground: Cody Hirst - Wandin.

NARRE WARREN	4.3	7.5	10.8	11.12(78)
WANDIN	4.7	11.10	14.13	21.15(141)

Narre Warren Goals: Will Howe 3, Corey Bader 2, Harrison Brain, Jesse Davies, Peter Gentile, Tom Miller, Riley Siwes, Tom Toner. Best: Cameron Miller, Brad Scalzo, Travis Callahan, Peter

Gentile, Jesse Davies, Joel Zietsman.

Wandin Goals: Aaron Mullett 6, Patrick Hodgett 5, Clinton Johnson 3, Joel Garner 2, Brodie Atkins, Cody Hirst, Daniel Hirst, Jordan Jaworski, Connor Smith. Best: Cody Hirst, Patrick Hodgett, Aaron Mullett, Chayce Black, Joel Garner, Patty Bruzzese.

RESERVES

Best on ground: Matthew Butera - Narre Warren.				
NARRE WARREN	2.2	2.4	5.6	7.7(49)
UPWEY TECOMA	2.1	2.5	3.9	4.11(35)

Narre Warren Goals: Jett Kearney 3, Bailey Howarth, Nicholas Mashado, Nathan Power, Matthew Whitehead. Best: Matthew Butera, Grant Mitchell, Ethan French, Thomas Russell, Jett Kearney, Alexander Nunziante-Sweeney.

Upwey Tecoma Goals: Blake Burrows, Dylan Comber, Liam Comber, Connor Morton. Best: Lachie McGill, Nathan Beacom, Jackson Hannagan, Jordan Tailby, Ethan Wright, Mitch Stokes.

UNDER 19S

Best on ground: Daniel Toner - Narre Warren.

NARRE WARREN	2.1	2.4	5.4	8.6(54)
UPWEY TECOMA	1.2	2.6	4.8	6.10(46)

Narre Warren Goals: Sam Toner 4, Brice L'etang, Daniel Toner, Mitch Toner, Sam Wellwood. Best: Daniel Toner, Jacob Mutimer, Luca Pasuzzi, Sam Wellwood, Alex Dawson, Riley Curran.

Upwey Tecoma Goals: Leigh McVicar 2, Ned Park Jenkinson 2, Sam Murray, Sam Wicks. Best: Zac Orr, Sam Wicks, Ned Park Jenkinson, Regan Freeman, Leigh McVicar, Rory Fox.

Dreamy day for Bulldogs

By Marcus Uhe

When the final siren rung on the Outer East premier division grand final on Saturday afternoon there was only one question on everyone's mind.

Who let the dogs out?

The iconic Baha Men tune may be 23-years-old, but it served as the perfect soundtrack as a river of Wandin fans decked out in red white and blue stormed the Officer Recreation Reserve.

They converged to revel with Wandin Football Netball Club's senior footballers, who had just claimed the ninth senior premiership in the club's history.

Outside of the person responsible for releasing the canines, every question thrown at Nick Adam's side had been comprehensively answered in the 63-point thrashing, dethroning the mighty Narre Warren Magpies in the process after years of dominance.

The final score - 21.15 141 to 11.12 78 - left no doubt in the mind as to who the premier side was on the day, and who deserved to walk away with souvenirs from their visit to Starling Road.

When the Magpies charged, the Bulldogs held firm, and finally took their chances in front of goal, which had been an Achilles heel, in their first taste of success since 2018.

Momentum swung violently in the first quarter that ended with a slight Wandin lead, who threw the all-important first punch with the opening two goals in a red-hot start.

Clint Johnson and Patrick Hodgett landed the initial blows as Narre Warren started slow after its week off, but hit back quickly with the next four in 10 minutes.

It felt like Wandin had to strike early, but inaccuracy looked like it could come back to bite them once again.

A dominant first 10 minutes was eviscerated by the Magpies who hit their stride midway through the quarter, wearing the body blows, while landing some fierce jabs of their own.

Tom Miller and Corey Bader got their sides going with two in quick succession as Wandin began to waver.

An uncharacteristic turnover from Joel Garner in the middle of the park resulted in Harrison Brain gathering and goaling in traffic, before Tom Toner made up for a pair of misses to start the game by converting a set shot.

Narre Warren looked set to take a slight lead into the first break, but goals in red time to Aaron Mullett and Daniel Hirst edged the Bulldogs ahead.

The crowd drew a collective breath when the siren sounded after an absorbing half-hour that only served to whet the appetite for more action.

A rapid first quarter gave way to a much slower and controlled second, as both sides adjusted to the physicality of the occasion.

The first four goals of the quarter were traded, Brodie Atkins' snap under pressure at ground level a highlight for the Bulldogs after absorbing pressure for long stretches.

To this point in the contest, the curly brown hair of Will Howe was yet to be sighted, but as great players do, he willed himself into the contest with the next two majors in the space of three minutes.

In a similar feat to last year's decider on a remarkable day at Gembrook, his double in quick succession looked set to propel the Magpies to the ascendancy.

They led by a point, but with the fatigue set to influence the contest the longer the day continued, there was a sense the Magpies were about to strike.

The next 10 minutes, however, arguably secured the premiership for Wandin with an unstoppable display of class, precision and power.

The Bulldogs took the ball the length of the field after a Magpie miss for Mullett to kick his second, before Hodgett was on the receiving end of two 25-metre penalties to advance him to the goal line.

A resting Joel Garner goaled from the next centre clearance, Hodgett added another, and the over-zealous checking of Mullett at a boundary throw-in saw him kick number four.

In the blink of an eye, Wandin had snatched all the available momentum, a sucker-punch to the gut of the defending champions.



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL PREMIER DIVISION - GRAND FINAL REVIEW



Celebrations begin for the victorious Wandin side. 362388

Pictures: ROB CAREW

Jogging off like a military brigade at the half, flew in the face of their opponents, left shocked, stunned and in unfamiliar territory facing a half-time deficit for just the second time in 2023.

The Magpies needed to make the running early in the second half, but the speed of Connor Smith was overwhelming the Magpies in the middle.

A nine-minute stalemate was broken by a sumptuous Joel Garner goal on the run, the midfielders chaining with hands at a half-forward stoppage before the star midfielder kicked truly from the boundary line on the run to leave everyone in attendance with their jaws on the floor.

When Cody Hirst kicked the next, the margin was suddenly 44 points, thanks to seven consecutive majors from Wandin boots.

Howe responded with his third goal to snap the run, the first Narre Warren major in nearly half an hour.

He laid a big tackle on Harrison Van Duuren at half back minutes later, looking to single-handedly will his side back into the contest.

His goal sparked a promising few minutes for his side, winning the territory battle as Wandin began to tire and put numbers behind the ball to counter the charge.

Kicks from the normally laser-like boots were drifting out on the full while the run from earlier in the afternoon was evidently absent.

Goals to Peter Gentile and Riley Siwes made it three on the bounce for the Magpies and cut the lead to just 23 points, as the sense of a Narre Warren storm began to brew overhead.

But Hodgett steadied the Wandin ship to ensure a 29-point lead at the final break.

It left a simple enough equation on both sides: half an hour to hold on for Wandin, half an hour to further enshrine the legacy of the current squad for Narre Warren.

Like he did in the third quarter, Smith exploded from the contest at the first centre bounce, but this time he kicked truly in what was the perfect start, a major in the first 13 seconds.

Mitch Tonna responded shortly after to cut the lead back to 27, as the Magpies mounted a final charge.

Howe marked on the lead but, with time ticking away, he quickly snapped, falling short of the goal-line.

It was marked by Jesse Davies, who from a tight angle, played on and hit the post.

From there, it was all Wandin, as the celebrations began early.

Jordan Jaworski, Mullett, Hodgett and Johnson all goaled as the minutes ticked away as players shared the footy between one-another,



On a roll...Joel Garner celebrates his second-quarter goal for Wandin. 362388

embracing the glorious Spring afternoon that they'll remember for the rest of their lives.

The Wandin army of supporters, defeated A-Grade netballers, partners, families, reserves and more, estimated to make up 3000 people, quickly flooded the playing field to celebrate the club's first premiership since 2018.

Everything the Magpies threw at them, they had answer.

Going the long way with two extra finals to play? No worries.

They embraced it, and felt better for the challenge.

Not only did the Bulldogs take them to task at home back in round two to set the scene for a mouth-watering series of clashes for the remainder of the season, but the semi-final loss by three points seemed to only strengthen their belief.

Cody Hirst was awarded best on ground, while Mullett finished with six goals and Hodgett five.

Jaworski and Mullett proved to be the perfect additions to the playing squad that fell just

short in 2022, supported by a number of senior heads in the back six in John Ladner, Thomas Hinds and Chayce Black, and an exquisite midfield that oozed quality at every opportunity.

For the Magpies, an early injury to Lachlan Benson forced Jake Richardson into the middle of the ground, and with it a loss in structure ahead of the ball.

Howe and Bader were the only multiple goalkickers for the Magpies, with Cameron Miller, Brad Scalzo, Travis Callahan and Peter Gentile among their top contributors.

With just one loss before the grand final, it will be viewed as a missed opportunity for the black and white, after a season littered with success, in the form of Tom Miller's Shane Smith Medal and Will Howe's leading goalkicker season award.

While they were unable to finish Shane Dwyer's coaching tenure with the win, the man they call "Grubbo" walks away from the job with a senior flag in 2022 to show for his wonderful service in the coaches box.

Mullett overcomes hurdles

By Marcus Uhe

Aaron Mullett has seen plenty in his time in football but - up until Saturday - premierships success had eluded him

A sense of relief mixed with satisfaction emanated from the former North Melbourne and Carlton defender after Wandin's grand final win, with a premierships medallion finally resting against his chest.

Last season was as close as he had come, but a brutal thrashing at the hands of East Ringwood, playing for Mooroolbark, in the Eastern Football Netball League left that box on his career resume unchecked.

Joining a side in need of an extra piece or two to put them 'over the top' and bolster their premierships credentials, Mullett fit the bill like a hand in a glove.

Despite a nasty hamstring injury in round five ruling him out of much of the season, he was as dynamic and influential as anyone in the competition when he took to the park, with bags of nine, six (twice), five and four on his way to 43 goals for the season.

With fellow recruit Jordan Jaworski (40 goals), Mullett, Clint Johnson (52), Tom Merlino (20) and Patrick Hodgett (14) quickly formed the nucleus of an explosive forward mix that left defenders helpless, on the receiving end of sumptuous delivery from the classy midfielders.

His 50-metre bomb with time ticking down in Saturday's grand final, to put the finishing touches on the grand final win, a performance in which he kicked six, was the perfect crescendo on a difficult but ultimately rewarding season.

"I had a bad loss last year with Mooroolbark and I was really keen to finish my career with a flag," Mullett said.

"I was pretty much done after we lost that flag last year, so I thought, why not? Give it one more chance, hopefully enjoy my footy, and it just stemmed from there.

"I knew we were close, knew it was a great group, and they definitely impressed me as



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL AARON MULLETT - A MAIDEN PREMIERSHIP



Aaron Mullett puts the finishing touches on Wandin's grand final masterpiece. 362388
Picture: ROB CAREW

a football club.

"It's a great culture and I just loved being a part of it."

To return to action was a feat in itself for the 31-year-old, as setbacks kept him off the field for 13 weeks.

There were times where he doubted whether he would be able to contribute to the Bulldogs as he battled his way back to full-fitness, and as a result, whether his football career was being snatched away from him without his approval.

For someone whose relationship to the game that has given him so much had become frayed, it would have been a cruel twist of fate, not only for the man himself, but the Bulldog community, who embraced him early in his tenure at Wandin, and made him and his family feel welcome.

"For me (there were) moments 10 weeks ago where I thought, 'this is never going to

happen for me,'" Mullett said.

"I thought my hamstring was done, I was only one or two little setbacks away from missing finals.

"I had times where I thought, that was it, or I thought I was miles off, and then, all of a sudden, in the last four/five weeks, everything started to turn a little bit.

"I put in a heap of work, so to get back, probably the last couple of weeks was the only time it started to feel really good.

"There was a lot of hard work going on behind the scenes, a lot of money spent on my body.

"Financially, it's cost me a shitload to try and get myself up, so it's all made it worthwhile now.

"I've had a lot of injuries along the way but it's times like this where you think 'I can't give it up now, these moments are too special.'"

To watch him in the finals series, without

knowing what it took to get back on the park, you would be none the wiser.

He didn't lack speed, his trademark long bombs didn't lose any distance and his reflexes were cat-like; multiple occasions forced him to collect the ball at ground level at speed, turn and kick, all in the one motion, leaving his defenders gobsmacked and spectators in awe.

For someone that admitted to fighting mental battles before games, he credited the support of the football club in healing the wounds left by the brutal life at the top level.

"I found it really hard, and still do find it really hard to get myself up for games," he explained.

"A lot of the enjoyment got pulled away from football.

"It's a ruthless environment, AFL football, so I've got to always bring it back to players, supporters and why you play local footy, and why it's so important to, not just the players, but the community.

"They get so much enjoyment out of us playing well and me kicking goals, so it's those moments you've got to reflect on.

"It's a bloody hard game and to play it at the highest level for a while, it does take the fun out of it.

"It ends up being a job, and it's a hard balance to flip that and say 'I play for fun now'.

"It's just a balance but I do enjoy it.

"I couldn't have asked for much more, it's a massive reward for effort with our boys, and we've got to enjoy every moment of it."

Whether he goes around again next year is a decision to be made in the coming months, but the results of Saturday's triumph have certainly influenced his mindset from the beginning of the year.

Whatever he decides, the Wandin community will be forever indebted to him for his 10 sensational games that delivered the ultimate reward.

"I did say that if I win a flag, I'll be done, but the group of people here and the community, just draws me in, we'll see how it goes."

Magpies stay strong to secure reserves premierships cup

By Marcus Uhe

Narre Warren's reserves made it two premierships from the first two grand finals on Saturday after the success of the Under 19s earlier in the morning.

Inspired by the heroics of the lower-age group, the reserves held-off a pesky but wayward Upwey Tecoma to secure the premierships flag, winning 7.7 49 to 4.11 35 at Officer.

Just one point separated the two sides at both the first and second breaks, with the ascendancy swapping from black and white to yellow and black, as both sides struggled to convert opportunities - 0.2 to 0.4 in the second term an indicator of the nerves on display.

But the third quarter was where the Magpies kicked into gear, taking their opportunities where the Tigers stumbled.

3.2 to 1.4 saw the Magpies open up a nine-point lead heading into the final quarter, despite the Tigers having as many attempts on goal.

Two goals to one in the final quarter the Magpies' way saw the lead grow to 14 by the final siren, ensuring celebrations continued for those in black and white.

Upwey Tecoma will no-doubt rue the 4.11 final scoreline, but as the old saying goes, bad kicking is bad football.

Jett Kearney kicked three for the Magpies as the only multiple goalkicker on the ground, with singles to Bailey Howarth, Nicholas Mashado, Nathan Power and Matthew Whitehead.

Matt Butera was named best-afield, capping his return to the club from Noble Park in the off-season.

Kearney, Grant Mitchell, Alexander Nunziante-Sweeney and Ethan French were among Narre Warren's best, as were Nathan Beacom, Mitch Stokes and Lachlan McGill for the Tigers.



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL GRAND FINAL REVIEW - RESERVES



Narre Warren's reserves coach Jamie Brown lifts the premierships cup with captain Ryan Patterson (left) and vice-captain Tom Russell. 362387
Pictures: ROB CAREW

Building blocks of success

By Marcus Uhe

Five-minute blocks were the focus of Wandin's attention heading into Saturday's grand final according to newly-minted premierships coach Nick Adam.

You could hardly wipe the smile off Adam's face, or get the premierships cup out of his hands, as he basked in the glory of his first premierships as a senior coach after five years.

From early in the preseason Adam described the club as 'aspirational', sowing the seeds of ambition for higher honours amongst his playing group after the disappointment of last season's preliminary final loss to Woori Yallock.

It all came together spectacularly in the 63-point thumping of Narre Warren, securing the club's ninth senior premierships and etching their names into the honour boards at Clegg Road for eternity.

"It was 2 o'clock and we knew we were going to run out at 2.05, there was almost no noise in the room," Adam said of the initial five-minute period.

"We talked about that five minutes of togetherness.

"Then there was that last five minutes of a game, the first five minutes of the contest, the first five minutes out there afterwards.

"I'll never forget that, that sense of jubilation.

"They talk about it, and maybe it's a cliché, but premierships bind people together across a whole football club and we're really proud of what we are."

The Bulldogs charged out of the gate from the opening bounce, Clint Johnson taking the first shot on goal before people had even found their seat in the outer at Officer, before kicking the opening two goals of the contest.

Having absorbed four goals in 10 minutes from Narre, after the initial Wandin flurry, an intercept at halfback from Harrison van Duuren sparked goals late in the term from Aaron Mullett and Cody Hirst to wrestle-back the lead in time-on.

To close the half, it was two five-minute blocks of dominance that saw a one-point



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL NICKADAM - PREMIERSHIP COACH



Nick Adam has elevated his status to a senior premierships coach. 346052

deficit midway through the quarter become a crushing five-goal lead at the break.

Where Narre Warren heads slumped and players slowly trotted to the rooms to regroup, Wandin bounded past their opponents as a unit, showing no ill-effects of two extra games.

When the Magpies made their run in the third quarter as everyone knew they would, habits ingrained during the week saw the Bulldogs midfielders station themselves behind the ball to plug the gaps ensuring the margin never dipped below 23 points.

Connor Smith, breaking free of the first centre bounce of the final term and nailing a goal on the run, proved an early dagger in the heart, eclipsing the 100-point barrier that the Magpies' sturdy defence had only allowed once in 2023.

Rather than be hindered by the extra time on the field in the finals campaign, the Bulldogs were sharpened, fine-tuned and battle tested for everything the Magpies threw at them, answering the call emphatically time after time.

"We felt like that hardened us," Adam said of the two more finals his side had played compared to Narre Warren.

"Other than the semi against us, they hadn't really been tested for six, seven, eight weeks.

"To get that continuity in-game, it felt like it impacted really in that first five-10 minutes of the game, I think that's when it really stands out, when you have been playing."

While Adam played all the right notes on the day itself, the trust and belief cultivated

in the playing group between teammates and from the coaching group down, over a number of years, meant execution was pristine when it mattered most.

Whether it's allowing a later start to the preseason, on the promise of players ensuring they are right and ready to go in their own time, or fostering the sense of unity through a playing group connected through prior friendships, connections and football experiences, the unity at all levels had them pointing in one direction.

As Adam said on the premierships dais when he thanked the Wandin army, the club comes from a small town but is part of a huge community.

"We have 16 one-point players and we've recruited over the last two years, but every player that's come to the football club has come because of a connection to the playing group," he said.

"I'm really purposeful in trying to build out from that.

"We put them in situations where we want to cultivate that sense of community and togetherness, and in moments like this, it makes it all special."

He credited those behind the scenes who may not receive the plaudits they deserved for the success, in Football Manager Geoff Bartling, to assistant coach Jon O'Brien, Treasurer Nick Crossland and everyone else who make the club tick behind the scenes.

"It's a lot of work to put a side together that can then function the way that this side can," the proud coach explained.

"I'm forever indebted to all those guys who worked so hard to support me over the journey.

"I put a lot of work into what I want to be as a coach, and I know there's a lot of good coaches that haven't been able to experience this.

"It means a lot to me, and it's going to mean a lot for a long time."

Magpies 'premiers and champions' after grinding win

By David Nagel

Narre Warren has earned the unique honour of being premiers and champions in Outer East Under-19s after the Magpies repelled a brave challenge from Upwey-Tecoma at Starling Road on Saturday.

The Magpies eventually prevailed 8.6.54 to 6.10.46 against a Tigers outfit that steadfastly refused to buckle.

Coach Mark Christiansen had led the Magpies to a perfect 17-0 record during the home-and-away season, five games clear of the Tigers in third place.

But a hard-fought 10-point victory in the second semi-final – on the same deck as the big dance – gave a far better indication of the narrowing gap between the two sides.

The Tigers then franked that form by dismissing Officer by 29 points in the preliminary final at Yarra Junction last week.

It was typically tough start to the contest with both sides focussed on defending with real purpose, and not allowing the opposition stars to shine.

Both teams had three scoring shots in the opening stanza, with the Magpies taking a five-point lead courtesy of a 2.1 to 1.2 scoreline.

The Tigers upped the ante in the second term, but frittered away the opportunity to make a real impact on the scoreboard.

The Tigers led by two points at the main break after kicking 1.4 to 0.3 for the term.

Both teams were brilliantly defensively with no quarter given or asked for, with frustrations boiling over right on the half-time siren.

Things became more expansive after the break, with Daniel Toner, Jacob Mutimer and Alex Dawson getting things moving for the



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL GRAND FINAL REVIEW - UNDER 19S



Narre Warren captain Jacob Mutimer and coach Mark Christiansen hoist the 2023 under 19s premierships cup. 362386 Pictures: STEWART CHAMBERS

Magpies, while Zac Orr, Regan Freeman and Rory Fox did likewise for the Tigers.

After a gripping battle, the Magpies took a two-point lead into the last quarter for the season.

While Daniel Toner was instrumental for the Magpies around the ground, it was Sam Toner that made the difference on the score-

board by game's end.

His four goals would prove critical, and along with Lucas Pascuzzi, Sam Wellwood and Riley Curran, would propel the Magpies to their 19th, and most important win for the season.

Daniel Toner was a well-deserving recipient of the best-on-ground medal, while Orr



Zac Orr (29) and Sam Toner were two of the stars in a great game of under-19s football. 362386



Brice L'etang and his Magpie teammates are up and about as the premierships win draws nearer. 362386

could not possibly do more for the Tigers.

Leigh McVicar and Ned Jenkinson kicked two each for the Tigers, who should be immensely proud of their efforts.

But it's the Magpies who are premiers, with a three-goal-to-two final term putting the finishing touches on a combative game of under-age football.

Wandin was the talk of the Outer East Premier Division on Saturday after a devastating grand final performance against perennial powerhouse Narre Warren. Here are the heroes that made the 21.15.141 to 11.12.78 triumph possible.

Wandin's wonderful heroes



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL
WANDIN'S PREMIERSHIP TEAM



1. Connor Smith.



Co-captains Thomas Hinds and Patty Bruzzese hold aloft the 2023 Outer East Premier Division cup with coach Nick Adam. 362388
Pictures: ROB CAREW



3. Aaron Mullett.



5. John Ladner.



6. Daniel Hirst.



7. Thomas Hinds (co-captain).



8. Cole Steiner.



9. Chayce Black.



10. Tom Merlino.



11. Harrison van Duuren.



12. Clinton Johnson.



13. Brodie Atkins.



14. Cody Hirst.



17. Patty Bruzzese (co-captain).



19. Samuel Hodgett.



20. Damien Furey.



21. Joel Garner.



22. Harrison Byrne.



24. Jordan Spencer.



27 Jordan Jaworski.



32. Todd Garner.



40. Leiwyn Jones.



46. Patrick Hodgett.



"Who Lets the Dogs Out" was the tune and theme of the day. 362388



Aaron Mullett celebrates another goal for Wandin. 362388



Clinton Johnson can taste a premiership victory. 362388

It was impossible to wipe the smiles from the faces of players and supporters of Wandin on Saturday after the Bulldogs claimed a memorable victory over Narre Warren in the 2023 Outer East Premier Division grand final. Gazette photographer **ROB CAREW** was on hand to capture all the celebrations.

So... "Who let the dogs out"



OUTER EAST FOOTBALL WANDIN CELEBRATIONS



Clinton Johnson prepares to kick the party into overdrive. 362388



Connor Smith kicks a goal and can't hide his elation. 362388



Senior Premiers Wandin; Back row, left to right; Brodie Atkins, Cole Steiner, Harrison Byrne, Patrick Hodgett, Damien Furey, Daniel Hirst, Jordan Spencer, Leiwyn Jones, Aaron Mullett, John Ladner and Clinton Johnson. Front row; Samuel Hodgett, Connor Smith, Chayce Black, Patty Bruzzese (co-captain), Jordan Jaworski, Joel Garner, Todd Garner, Cody Hirst, Harrison van Duuren, Thomas Hinds (co-captain) and coach Nick Adam. 362388

Pictures: ROB CAREW



Daniel Hirst wears the battle-scars of victory. 362388



It was impossible to wipe the smile from the face of Todd Garner. 362388



Sportsmanship at the final siren, Clinton Johnson and Aaron Mullett console Narre Warren's Cameron Miller. 362388



Teammates converge on Aaron Mullett after his last-quarter goal. 362388



Wandin supporters swamp the Officer Recreation Reserve at the final siren. 362388

Magpies return to the top

By Marcus Uhe

A 10-goal win over Wandin secured Narre Warren the Outer East Football Netball League A-Grade premiership for 2023, washing away any lingering heartbreak from the previous year.

On a special day for the club, in which it secured championships in the four senior grades, under 15 blue and under 17 blue competitions, Erin Bell's side ensured the main prize would make its way back to Kalora Park with the 54-44 win in bright sunshine at Officer.

A first quarter of momentum swings, in which both sides managed five-goal scoring streaks, appropriately finished deadlocked on 14 goals.

A battle of left-handed dominant scorers was quickly developing at either end of the court between the most prolific scorer in the competition, Wandin's Emmalia Blake, and last week's hero for Narre Warren, Clare Vearing.

Blake had too much height for Narre Warren Goal Keeper Anaisis Tupulailei, forcing Bell to move Gabrielle Dwyer to guard her instead, quickly paying dividends with a number of key deflections and interceptions to the signature Wandin high-ball to Blake at the post.

Nerves began to creep in from both teams in the second term, each looking for an opening on their pesky opponents.

The first seven goals went end-to-end before Narre Warren secured a critical break late in the term.

Like she had last week, Chelsea Tonna made way for Jemma Osborne at Goal Attack and made an immediate impact, while Blake's trademark deadly accuracy at the other end was beginning to waver.

The Magpies led by four goals at the long break, but having given-up a six-goal lead at half time in the semi final against the Bulldogs two weeks ago, they knew the job was far from over.

A frustrated Blake was consoled by Wandin captain Maddy George at the half, who was doing everything she could at the other end of the court to launch the drive her side needed as the quarter ticked away.

Bell rung the changes at half time, keen to keep her squad of 10 fresh in the Spring warmth.

Osborne, Sophie Hennessey and Taylah Jencke took to the court, but while the positions changed, Blake's presence under the ring



OUTER EAST NETBALL A GRADE - GRAND FINAL REVIEW



Gabrielle Dwyer and Brittany Tait engage in a mid-air dance for the netball. 362381

Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS

remained the same.

So conscious were the Magpies defenders that a number of penalties were called against them on Blake away from the ball, her goaling teammate Lauren Spinks beginning to show her frustrations with the physicality.

Scoring seven of the final 10 goals of the third quarter, Wandin and their red, blue and white ribbons were on the charge.

Blake missed a shot at the end of the quarter with just seconds remaining, but secured the rebound and scored on the second attempt, as she had at the end of every quarter to date.

Much like the semi final, they outscored their opponents in black and white to be within striking distance at the final change, trailing

by one to set the scene for an epic final quarter.

Tonna and Tupulailei returned to the court for Narre Warren as they looked to close the game with their starting line-up that earned them a minor premiership.

The opening 90 seconds went goalless before Blake broke the tension with the first of the quarter to tie the scores.

Narre Warren answered the call, before Wandin edged-ahead with a one goal lead, thanks to a courageous play from George in the defensive half that saw her collide with a Magpie opponent. But with the scores tied at 43, the Magpies put their foot down.

The next nine goals of the game were scored by the minor premiers in a dominant eight

minutes of netball that all-but engraved their names on the premiership trophy.

Their shooters, led by Vearing, nailed every shot down the stretch, while Dwyer's long arms and leap made life difficult for Blake at the other end of the court.

With the black and white army leading chants of "Narre Narre, yeah Narre Narre," the raucous fans turned the court into a hostile nest of black and white dominance.

Dwyer's performance in defence for Narre Warren earned her best-on-court honours as the Magpies returned the throne of A-Grade netball.

Bell tolls as Narre ends sensational season with a bang

By Marcus Uhe

The fact that Narre Warren was able to rebound so resoundingly from a shock semi-final loss to Wandin came as no surprise to A-Grade coach Erin Bell.

Rather than stew on the result and fear the worst after a successful season, the Magpies regrouped, licked their wounds and responded in the best-possible fashion to clinch the A-Grade championship for 2023 and return to the top of the mountain.

With the game on the line early in the final quarter, with scores tied at 43, the Magpies pulled-away from their opponents with the next nine goals to eliminate any doubt as to who the best side in the competition was.

Bell said she was proud of her team's ability to respond when put to the test, and said the lessons learned from the semi-final loss were invaluable.

"It's so exciting, but in a strange way I felt kind of, confident in the end," Bell said.

"The girls were looking really good and things were starting to fall their way.

"We definitely did a few things differently that maybe Wandin weren't expecting today, which helped.

"I think everyone just played their role and really made an impact when they had their opportunity on court.

"I think we ran out of legs last time we played them, so we rotated our goalers around, our defenders, rotated through the mids, we had to make sure we had fresh legs and especially because it's such a hot day.



OUTER EAST NETBALL NARRE WARREN - COACH ERIN BELL



The victorious Narre Warren A-Grade side come together on the final siren. 362381

Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS

"That's what we did, and that made sure everyone could do what they needed to do, at full intensity."

One such move was the decision to move Gabrielle Dwyer to Goal Keeper to mind Emmalia Blake, a move that netted Dwyer best-on-court honours.

While Blake took the switch in her stride, Dwyer's value came to the fore as the game

continued, as influential as anyone at the death.

"I think Gabrielle got better as the game went on, she worked (Blake) out a bit and got a few crucial balls in the end," Bell said.

"That's what it takes, you've got to grind it down for three quarters and then the rewards come in the fourth.

"That's what happened with Gabrielle, she

was so close early in the game and then got hands on the ball at the end, so credit to her."

Despite finishing the year at the top of the table, Bell said her side grew as the year went on as they responded to challenges thrown at them from the lower rungs of the ladder.

Things could have completely capitulated for the Magpies as they faced their nemesis Mt Evelyn in the preliminary final, a side that got the better of them twice in the home-and-away season.

But the ability to hold on for the victory held them in good stead for a determined Wandin outfit, in Bell's eyes.

"I do believe that it's not always a good thing to win your semi and go straight through, I think last week gave us the confidence we needed for this week," she explained

"Maybe if we had just beat them in the semi and had the week off and came in, it might have been a different ball game.

"I think last week was crucial for us to do what we needed to do today.

"I think in the past, we've really lost our confidence and lost our heads a little bit, but we kept our shit together and were able to get over the line.

"To score 10 goals in the end was amazing.

"Whether it was our belief or we had too much pressure on ourselves, (or) we crumbled a little bit, I'm just really proud that we learned from that and in the last two games, we've absolutely not let that happen."

Soaring to a lofty perch

Narre Warren claimed six of the seven premierships up for grabs on Saturday - including the coveted A Grade title - to stamp itself as the dominant club in Outer East netball. It was a day to remember for the Magpies at Starling Road.



OUTER EAST NETBALL NARRE WARREN - THE PLAYERS



Goal Shooter Clare Vearing gets into celebration mode with her teammates. 362381



Representatives from five of Narre Warren's six netball flags, from left; Brittany Mashado (A Grade), Kate Dowling (B Grade), Rylee Thomas (C Grade), Ruby Mosbey (D Grade) and Jessie Prvulj (17-under). 362384



Anasis Tupuailei has an eye on defending Laurin Spinks. 362381



Brittany Mashado and her mum Michelle are ecstatic after the premiership win. 362381



Erin Bell and her baby Nahla. 362381

Magpies' A Grade heroes build an ever-lasting bond



From left, Narre Warren captain Brittany Mashado and coach Erin Bell celebrate their Outer East A Grade success. 362381
Pictures: STEWART CHAMBERS



Gabrielle Dwyer.



Maddie Maund.



Anasis Tupuailei.



Abbey Barrientos.



Taylah Jencke.



Chelsea Tonna.



Soph Hennessey.



Jemma Osborne.

Outer East Netball Scoreboard

OUTER EAST GRAND FINALS
NETBALL - PREMIER DIVISION
SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER, 2023, AT OFFICER

A GRADE				
WANDIN	14	23	40	(44)
NARRE WARREN	14	27	41	(54)

Best on court: Gabrielle Dwyer - Narre Warren
B GRADE
Narre Warren 43 v Mt Evelyn 39
Best on court: Lupe Fonua - Narre Warren.
C GRADE
Olinda Ferny Creek 31 v Narre Warren 34
Best on court: Ruby Dwyer - Narre Warren.

D GRADE
Olinda Ferny Creek 22 v Narre Warren 32
Best on court: Delainey Brown - Narre Warren.
JUNIORS
17U BLUE
Narre Warren 33 v Seville 28
Best on court: Lupe Fonua - Narre Warren.

15U BLUE
ROC 29 v Narre Warren 38
Best on court: Teale Utber - Narre Warren.
13U BLUE
ROC 31 v Narre Warren 26
Best on court: Tahlia Leary - Narre Warren.

2023 AFL GRAND FINAL

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SUPERQUIZ

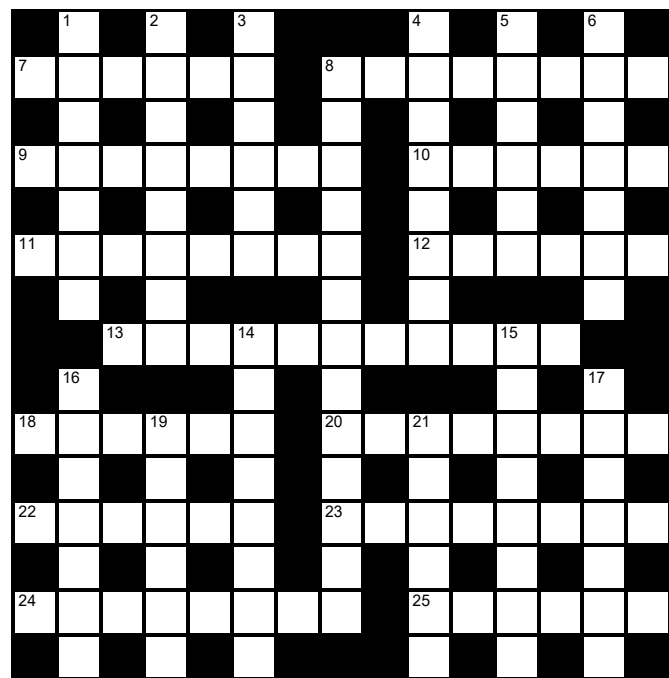
- Geelong won the 2022 AFL Grand Final by how many points?
- Which player won the 2022 Norm Smith medal?
- The Brisbane Lions joined the AFL in 1999 after a merger between Brisbane Bears and which other team?
- In which year did the league change its name from VFL to AFL?
- The International Rules series includes AFL and which other sport?
- Charles Brownlow played for which VFL club?
- How many rounds did the 2023 AFL season have?
- In which year will the currently unnamed Tasmanian team join the league?
- Not including Australia, which two countries have hosted AFL regular season games?
- Which city hosted the 2023 'Gather Round'?
- Which two teams typically play in the Dreamtime at the 'G annual match?
- After the MCG, what is the largest AFL stadium in Australia?
- What was the first non-Victorian based team to make it to the AFL Grand Final?
- In the past decade (2013-2022), how many times has a non-Victorian team won the AFL Grand Final?
- True or false: Collingwood won the replay match of the 2010 Grand Final after the first match ended in a draw?
- Out of the current players in the 2023 season, who has played the most AFL games?
- True or false: Western Bulldogs have never won a minor premiership?
- How many times have Port Adelaide been minor premiers?
- Which team occasionally plays home matches at Blundstone Arena?
- Which artist was the first person to perform at the AFL pre game show and the NFL Super Bowl?
- Since 2008 which cartoonist creates the caricature for the Premiership winners that is published in the *Herald Sun* each year?
- The Alex Jesaulenko Medal is awarded each AFL season for what accolade?
- In 1972, the highest scoring AFL Grand Final was played between which two clubs?
- The Jock McHale Medal is named after a coach from which club?
- The AFL Grand Final is contracted to be held at the MCG every year until when?
- True or false: the 2022 Grand Final was the highest attended league sporting event in the world?
- One Day in September* is a 1980 song written and performed by who?
- Which AFL field umpire has umpired the most games, reaching 500 in July 2023?
- What company has made all the AFL premiership cups since the inception of it?
- Which former AFL player was renowned for a victory handstand?

- 0-9 Wooden Spoon
10-19 Middle of the ladder
20-29 Kicking goals
30 League Champion



ANSWERS: 1. 81 points 2. Isaac Smith 3. Fitzroy Lions 4. 1990 5. Gaelic Football 6. Geelong Football Club 7. 24 8. 2028 9. China and New Zealand 10. Adelaide 11. Richmond and Essendon 12. Optus Stadium, Perth 13. West Coast 14. Once (West Coast) 15. True 16. Scott Pendlebury 17. True 18. Four 19. North Melbourne 20. Sting 21. Mark Knight 22. Mark of the Year 23. Carlton and Richmond 24. Collingwood 25. 2059 26. False (it was the second-highest) 27. Mike Brady 28. Brett Rosebury 29. Cash's Awards and Promotion Solutions 30. Jason Akermanis

CROSSWORD

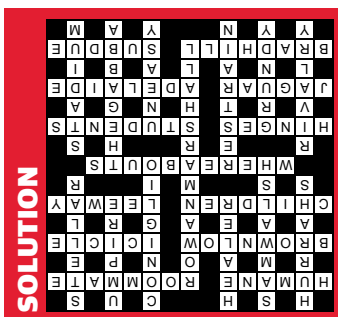


ACROSS

- Showing compassion (6)
- One who shares accommodation (8)
- AFL's best and fairest award (8)
- Frozen formation (6)
- Young people (8)
- Latitude (6)
- Location (11)
- Door features (6)
- Scholars (8)
- Big cat (6)
- Crows club (8)
- Gather Round city (4,4)
- Conquer (6)

DOWN

- Exclamations of joy (7)
- Carlton winner of the 2019 NAB Rising Star Award (3,5)
- Doctor (6)
- GWS player Stephen - (8)
- Referee (6)
- Star quality (7)
- St Kilda ruckman, with the supposed 'best smile in the AFL' (5,8)
- Hold back (8)
- Sports stadium in Brisbane (3,5)
- Opposing team conflict (7)
- Sports-ground (7)
- Melbourne ruckman, Brodie - (6)
- Restless (6)



WORDFIND



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|---------|-----------|--------------|----------|
| AFL | BOMBERS | GEELONG CATS | ST KILDA |
| ARENA | BRISBANE | GIANTS | SUNS |
| ASSIST | BULLDOGS | G-MAN | SWANS |
| BALL | CROWS | HAWKS | SYDNEY |
| BANNER | DEMONS | KANGAROOS | TIGERS |
| BARRACK | DOCKERS | LIONS | |
| BEHIND | EAGLES | MELBOURNE | |
| BLOCK | ESSENDON | POWER | |
| BLUES | FREMANTLE | SAINTS | |

SECRET MESSAGE: When it comes to footy, it's all above the shoulders.

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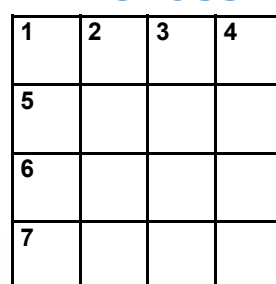
AFL Mascots

- After the Brisbane Lions mascot Bernie 'Gabba' Vegas retired, which brave lion took his place?
A. Ray
B. Roy
C. Rick
D. Rob?
- What kind of bug is the mascot of the Essendon Bombers?
A. Fly
B. Wasp
C. Bee
D. Mosquito
- Which of these team's mascots is not an animal?
A. North Melbourne
B. GWS Giants
C. Sydney
D. West Coast
- What is the name of the fictional house that the AFL Mascots live in?
A. Mascot Manor
B. Footy Farmhouse
C. Costume Casa
D. Happy House



ANSWERS: 1B, 2D, 3C, 4A

4x4 CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Danny Frawley's nickname (4)
- Comfort (4)
- Primates (4)
- Catching a ball within 15 metres (4)

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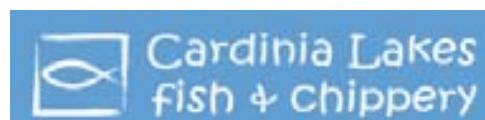
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Emma Watkins and her sister Hayley jet off for **The Amazing Race Australia: Celebrity Edition**

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On top of the world

Former Yellow Wiggle Emma Watkins is no stranger to living out of a suitcase, but nothing could have prepared the children's entertainer, or her sister Hayley, for the challenge of competing on *The Amazing Race Australia*, writes **Siobhan Duck**

WHILE watching the Matildas' heroic performance in the recent FIFA Women's World Cup, Emma Watkins was as captivated by the faces of the children in the crowd as she was the action on the field.

"Seeing the children really love the team - that connection - is really special," she enthuses.

"And that's one of the aspects of being sportspeople that people may not necessarily think about. But that role model aspect for kids is just incredible.

"It's going to change society. It's beautiful."

If anyone knows what it's like to be a groundbreaking woman in a yellow shirt with a crowd of young admirers, it's Watkins.

The entertainer became the first female Wiggle when she took over from previous yellow skivvy-wearers Greg Page and Sam Moran in 2012.

"I do sometimes reflect on when I was first integrated into the Wiggles and how it was so taboo at the time," she says.

"It seemed to be such a big deal for some people, which was ridiculous.

"And now [having a woman in the group], you wouldn't think twice. It shouldn't ever be a question."

It's fair to say that the risk of making Watkins a Wiggle paid off. By the end of her time with the Wiggles, it was estimated that 50 per cent of the group's merchandise sales were related to Watkins. And 80 per cent of the tiny concertgoers would emulate Watkins' costuming by wearing oversized bows.

That experience proved to Watkins just how powerful it is for kids to be exposed to more inclusive entertainment.

And it's been something she's continued to advocate for since leaving the Wiggles in 2021 to forge her own path as Emma Memma, where she has incorporated sign language into her shows.

"My co-performer Elvin - who is deaf - when he is with us on stage I notice so many children responding to him, especially children from



Dream team: Sisters Emma and Hayley Watkins take on *The Amazing Race Australia: Celebrity Edition*.

deaf schools or deaf units," she says.

"For them, instantly being able to communicate with him on stage, you see the power of that relationship. And I think that's really important."

Watkins hopes that with time (just as having women

Wiggles is now universally accepted) sign language will become a more common component of entertainment.

While acknowledging that she is proud of her trailblazing roles both as a Wiggle and now as Emma Memma, the humble star hastens to share that sentiment with her peers.

"I am incredibly proud of anyone who has been part of a place where children can learn from," she says.

"I think that it has an incredible weight to it and a responsibility even though a lot of people think that children's entertainment is not important."

Such is her popularity around the world that Watkins says simply avoiding the colour yellow isn't enough to help her slip around unnoticed by fans.

"It depends on their age whether they're going to recognise me or not, but I could be wearing any colour and still, now, in the shops, I will get recognised," she laughs.

"And it's such a beautiful moment because it's children."

All her years spent travelling the world as a kids' entertainer mean Watkins has become adept at living out of a suitcase.

But even with all that globetrotting under her belt, nothing prepared her for the challenge of competing on *The Amazing Race Australia*.

Watkins, together with her sister Hayley, is among the celebrities taking part in the race this year. The Watkins sisters are competing against the likes of *Real Housewife* Jackie Gillies and her husband, Silverchair drummer Ben; Olympian Jana Pittman and son Cornelis Rawlinson and Bec Judd and sister Kate Twigley.

"It's a show that we've always loved but, in particular, for me, I've been travelling across the world performing for children and families for a very long time and in the last two years, I've really embraced opportunities to be able to try new things," she explains.

"And so, this was really an opportunity to actually travel with my sister, who I really haven't seen that much of in the last decade. So, this was a really special trip."

Like Watkins, Hayley is an entertainer and now performs in the Emma Memma shows.

"But when I was with the Wiggles I didn't get a lot of opportunities to see her," Watkins shrugs.

You'd imagine that *The Amazing Race* offered plenty of opportunities for sisterly fun as well as tension.

But Watkins insists she and Hayley managed to navigate the

entire experience without any spats.

"Hayley and I think we can be really proud of ourselves for working together really well on the show," she smiles.

"I think there is something innate or instinctual about sisters' relationships and we really leant on that.

"It was one of our superpowers. I think, too, that Hayley and I have a stronger relationship since [filming] the show. We just know what we're able to push against. And that's actually been something that's quite unique."

Four years apart, Watkins says she and Hayley weren't especially close when they were children.

"Four years doesn't sound that far but when we were at school we didn't have a lot in common at the time," she explains.

"I was at high school for four years before she got there. By the time she was in Year 7, I was in Year 11 and was already thinking she was way too young [to hang out with]."

"At school, even though we loved each other and lived together, I don't think we had as much to do with each other as we do now. Especially in the past two years and now in the *Race*."

While people will always naturally compare siblings, Watkins says there's never been any rivalry between them.

"We know each other's strengths and weaknesses," she says.

"I call Hayley my Sporty Spice. And because my name is Emma, I have always gravitated towards Baby Spice [like the singer Emma Bunton]."

■ *The Amazing Race Australia: Celebrity Edition*, Wednesday October 4, 7.30pm, 10



Movie Guide

PICK OF THE WEEK

Saturday

FREE GUY

Seven, 7.30pm, M (2021)

A strong concept is at the heart of this Oscar-nominated, effects-laden action comedy set in a video-game world. Ryan Reynolds plays the eponymous Guy, a bank teller NPC (non-player character) in online video game *Free City* who develops self-awareness and unwittingly becomes a major player in his own game. He partners with action-loving avatar "MolotovGirl" (*Killing Eve's* Jodie Comer) as they team up to save their pixelated world. Comer also plays Millie, the real-world programmer who's playing *Free City* to prove its developers stole her source code for their game. Reynolds is his usual affable self, but it's Comer who steals the show in two roles where she can show off both her comedic timing and amazing action skills. ★★★★★



Game on: Jodie Comer and Ryan Reynolds in *Free Guy*.



THE EXPENDABLES 2

Nine, Friday, 10.30pm, MA15+ (2012)

The star power of the ensemble cast in this hard-hitting sequel certainly packs a punch. Featuring just about every Hollywood tough guy you could think of from the past two decades, the film focuses on a mercenary group led by Barney Ross (Sylvester Stallone, pictured) who embark on what seems a relatively easy mission. Soon enough they find themselves seeking revenge on Jean Vilain (Jean-Claude Van Damme) who has the blood of one of their own on his hands. ★★★★★



PADDINGTON

ABC TV Plus, Friday, 8.30pm, G (2014)

The popular British bear makes his first big-screen appearance, voiced by Ben Whishaw. Those familiar with Michael Bond's classic British kids books will know the Peruvian bear's story, but this sweet, quaint tale provides a chance for a new generation of kiddies to follow the adventures of the teddy named after the train station where he was discovered. A sure-fire winner with young 'uns or perhaps just a nostalgic journey, it also stars Aussie Nicole Kidman (pictured) as taxidermist Millicent. ★★★★★



JURASSIC WORLD

Nine, Saturday, 7.30pm, M (2015)

A couple of decades after *Jurassic Park* first scared the bejeezus out of audiences, this new instalment takes the tale of over-eager humans at the mercy of prehistoric animals to a whole other level. *Jurassic World* is a fully functioning dinosaur theme park. But when a genetically modified dinosaur experiment creates Indominus Rex, well, things don't go so well. Bryce Dallas Howard is park manager Claire, while Chris Pratt (pictured) stars as velociraptor trainer Owen. ★★★★★



AD ASTRA

9Go!, Sunday, 9.50pm, M (2019)

Reaching the outer edges of our solar system is something none of us will probably ever do: this unexpectedly stunning and beautiful film lets us somehow experience this unknown. When mysterious power surges threaten Earth, gung-ho astronaut Roy (Brad Pitt, pictured) steps into the footsteps of his presumed-dead father (Tommy Lee Jones) - who has been missing in space for decades after a secret mission - travelling on a lonely odyssey to Neptune to uncover the truth. ★★★★★



SHERLOCK HOLMES 2: A GAME OF SHADOWS

Nickelodeon, Monday, 8.30pm, M (2011)

Director Guy Ritchie yanks Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's famous literary detective out of 221B Baker Street for a second action-packed adventure. This time around, sidekick Dr Watson (Jude Law) is preparing to wed fiancée Mary (Kelly Reilly), and Holmes (Robert Downey Jr, pictured) is despondent over the impending break-up of their detecting partnership. However, there is no time to dwell, as Holmes suspects Moriarty (Jared Harris) has masterminded a spate of crimes around Europe. ★★★★★



ERIN BROCKOVICH

7Flix, Tuesday, 8.40pm, M (2000)

The notion of a "Julia Roberts film" forever changed for the better thanks to her knockout turn as a jobless, single mum of three whose stubborn resolve resulted in one of the biggest class action lawsuits in American history. Under the assured direction of Steven Soderbergh, Roberts (pictured) plays out the heroine's story - based on fact - with bold and sexy assurance. Soderbergh crafts out a rewarding story, with elements of drama, thrills and romance, that's not to be missed. ★★★★★

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THE GRAHAM NORTON SHOW 10, Sunday, 7.30pm

The celebrity guests who drop by this long-running chat show must wonder if there's something in the water they're served up because even the most guarded of A-listers are won over by cheeky Irishman Graham Norton. His group-interview format always seems to elicit candid confessions. Despite the ongoing actors' and writers' strikes somewhat shrinking his Hollywood guestlist, Norton's got a slew of stars and fascinating folk lined up for season 31. Falling under his spell in tonight's premiere are pop superstar Kylie Minogue (pictured), Stephen Graham (*Peaky Blinders*), *Peep Show* star and author David Mitchell, comedian Mawaan Rizwan and Eurovision finalist Mae Muller.

GARDENING AUSTRALIA ABC TV, Friday, 7.30pm

You'd forgive a show entering its 33rd year to be slowing down a bit, but if anything, the *Gardening Australia* empire is only expanding in popularity given the recent debut of spin-off series *Gardening Australia Junior*. Of course, only someone with the energy and enthusiasm of Costa Georgiadis (pictured) would be able to host two shows at once. Tonight, Costa takes a look at a "fern-tastic" sky-high garden, while Jane Edmanson isn't having quite as much fun - she's taking on fungus gnats. With the *Junior* edition proving a hit with all ages and the main show going as strong as ever, it looks like we'll be seeing Costa and crew busy in the backyards of Australia for some time to come.



THE ROOKIE Seven, Monday, 9.15pm

When this popular police drama started out in 2018, Nathan Fillion's middle-aged rookie John Nolan was one of the oldest recruits LAPD had ever seen. Five seasons in and Nolan is now a training officer with a rookie of his own - but *The Training Officer* is a far less catchy title. This week's episode features a case that hits close to home for rookie Celina (Lisseth Chavez, pictured) when a young girl goes missing on the anniversary of her sister's death. While Nolan has been working with Celina on her tendency to let emotions cloud her judgment, her personal connection to this case and its victims proves crucial. It seems former rookie Nolan still has a few lessons to learn.



PICK OF THE WEEK

OLD PEOPLE'S HOME FOR TEENAGERS ABC TV, Tuesday, 8.30pm

Returning after its breakout success in 2022, this heart-warming docuseries sets out to tackle an important issue facing Aussies: loneliness. Annabel Crabb returns as narrator for season two, which has a renewed focus on the isolation teenagers experience in 2023. This innovative intergenerational program, which sees teens spend time with older Aussies aged between 71 to 94, aims to improve the mental health of both generations. In tonight's premiere, a friendship blossoms between shy teen Abi and Dale, who's enthusiastic about mentoring young people. Father-of-six John believes he doesn't have much to learn from a phone-obsessed teen, but is surprised by some words of wisdom from Alix (pictured with Dave).

Wednesday, September 27

ABC TV (2)

6.00 News Breakfast. **9.00** ABC News Mornings. **10.00** Four Corners. (R) **10.50** Q+A. (R) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **12.30** National Press Club Address. **1.40** Media Watch. (PG, R) **1.55** Shakespeare Uncovered. (PG, R) **3.00** Restoration Australia. (R) **3.55** Tenable. (R) **4.45** Long Lost Family. (PG, R) **5.30** Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

SBS (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. **9.00** Make Me A Dealer. (R) **9.55** Living With The Boss. (PG, R) **10.50** Off The Beaten Track With Kate Humble. (PG) **12.00** BBC News At Ten. **12.30** ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. **2.00** Dateline. (R) **2.30** Insight. (R) **3.30** The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (R) **4.00** Great Continental Railway Journeys. (PGs, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (R) **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

SEVEN (7, 6)

6.00 Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) **11.30** Seven Morning News. **12.00** My Kitchen Rules. (PGI, R) **1.45** Surveillance Oz. (PG, R) **2.00** Border Security: International. (PG, R) **2.30** Border Security USA. (PG, R) **3.00** The Chase. **4.00** Seven News At 4. **5.00** The Chase Australia.

NINE (9, 8)

6.00 Today. **9.00** Today Extra. (PG) **11.30** Morning News. **12.00** The Block. (PGal, R) **1.00** Bondi Vet. (PGm, R) **2.00** Pointless. (PG, R) **3.00** Tipping Point. (PG) **4.00** Afternoon News. **4.30** [VIC] Millionaire Hot Seat. **5.00** Millionaire Hot Seat. **5.30** [VIC] WIN News.

TEN (10, 5)

6.00 Freshly Picked. (R) **6.30** My Market Kitchen. (R) **7.00** Farm To Fork. (PG, R) **7.30** Ent. Tonight. (R) **8.00** Everyday Gourmet. (R) **8.30** Judge Judy. (PG, R) **9.00** Bold. (PGa, R) **9.30** Neighbours. (PGa, R) **10.00** Studio 10. (PG) **12.00** 10 News First: Midday. **1.00** Dr Phil. (PGa, R) **2.00** Shark Tank. (PGa, R) **3.00** Ent. Tonight. **3.30** Everyday Gourmet. **4.00** Bold. (PGa) **4.30** Neighbours. (PGa) **5.00** News.

6.00 The Drum. **7.00** ABC News. **7.30** 7.30. **8.00** Hard Quiz. (PG) **8.30** Mother And Son. (Mal) Maya and Arthur grow closer. **9.00** WTFQA. Mitch McTaggart finds out where Summer Bay is. **9.30** Starstruck. (Mdl) Tom lets something slip to Steve and Ian. **9.55** Would I Lie To You? (R) **10.25** ABC Late News. **10.40** The Business. (R) **11.00** Death In Paradise. (Ma, R) **12.00** Annika. (Ma, R) **12.45** The Pool. (PG, R) **1.45** The Great Acceleration. (Final, PG, R) **2.40** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) **3.40** Tenable. (R) **4.30** The Drum. (R) **5.30** 7.30. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG, R) **6.30** SBS World News. **7.30** Bettany Hughes: Treasures Of Turkey. (PGas) **8.30** While The Men Are Away. (Premiere, MA15+) Two women join the Women's Land Army. **9.35** Elvis' Women: Mama's Boy Vs Rock Star. (Mas) Part 1 of 3. **10.35** SBS World News Late. **11.05** Trom. (Mv) **11.50** Cargo. (MA15+v, R) **3.30** Italian Food Safari. (R) **4.00** Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) **4.30** Bamay. (R) **5.00** NHK World English News Morning. **5.30** ANC Philippines The World Tonight.

6.00 Seven News. **7.00** Home And Away. (PGa) **7.30** My Kitchen Rules. (PGI) Hosted by Manu Feildel and Colin Fassnidge. **9.15** Talking Finals: Grand Final Special. James Brayshaw is joined by Tim Watson, Joel Selwood and Trent Cotchin to discuss the AFL Finals. **10.15** Unbelievable Moments Caught On Camera. (PGa, R) **11.15** The Latest: Seven News. (R) **11.45** Autopsy: USA. (MA15+ad, R) **12.45** The Enemy Within. (Mav, R) **1.00** [VIC] Home Shopping. **4.00** NBC Today. **5.00** Seven Early News. **5.30** Sunrise.

6.00 Nine News. **7.00** A Current Affair. **7.30** The Block. (PGal) Hosted by Scott Cam. **8.30** Footy Classified. (M) Hosted by Eddie McGuire, Matthew Lloyd, Jimmy Bartel and Damian Barrett. **9.30** Luxe Listings Sydney. (M) D'Leanne Lewis puts her intern to the test. **10.40** Nine News Late. **11.10** The Equalizer. (Mav) **12.00** The Gulf. (Madlsv, R) **1.00** Chicago Med. (MA15+am, R) **2.00** Getaway. (PG, R) **2.30** Global Shop. (R) **3.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **4.00** Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) **4.30** A Current Affair. (R) **5.00** News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

6.30 The Project. **7.30** Thank God You're Here. (Final, Mdls) Hosted by Celia Pacquola. **8.30** Inspired Unemployed (Impractical) Jokers. (Ma) Four Aussie mates set out to embarrass each other in a public setting by trying their hand at dentistry. **9.30** Five Bedrooms. (Final, Mls) The day of the wedding arrives and Ben is determined to be there for his best mate Simmo and Heather. **10.30** So Help Me Todd. (PGav) **11.30** The Project. (R) **12.30** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) **1.30** Home Shopping. (R) **4.30** CBS Mornings.

ABC TV PLUS (22) **6am** Children's Programs. **5.05pm** Mecha Builders. **5.20** Thomas. **5.30** Kiri And Lou. **5.35** Fireman Sam. **5.50** Circle Square. **5.55** Ben And Holly. **6.10** Interstellar Ella. **6.20** Bluey. **6.30** Piffirates. **6.45** The Adventures Of Paddington. **6.55** Shaun The Sheep. **7.05** Karma's World. **7.20** Bluey. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.00** Vera. **9.30** Savage River. **10.30** Killing Eve. **11.15** Noughts + Crosses. **12.10am** MOVIE: Sweet Country. (2017, MA15+) **2.00** The Romantics And Us. **3.00** ABC News Update. **3.05** Close. **5.00** Kiddets. **5.10** Pablo. **5.25** Pocoyo. **5.30** Pins And Nettie. **5.40** Late Programs.

SBS VICELAND (31) **6am** WorldWatch. **8.40** CBC The National. **9.30** BBC News At Six. **10.00** Shortland St. **Noon** Return Of The Taliban. **1.05** One Armed Chef. **2.00** Monty Python. **3.20** BBC News At Ten. **3.50** ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. **4.20** PBS News. **5.20** Counter Space. **5.50** Forged In Fire: Best Of. **6.40** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Celebrity Letters And Numbers. **9.30** Finding Satoshi. **10.40** MOVIE: The Current War. (2017, M) **12.30am** Monty Python's Flying Circus. **2.40** Letterkenny. **3.30** NHK World English News. **5.00** Al Jazeera Newshour.

7TWO (72, 62) **6am** Home Shopping. **6.30** Escape To The Country. **7.30** Coastwatch Oz. **8.00** Million Dollar Minute. **9.00** Harry's Practice. **9.30** NBC Today. **Noon** Better Homes And Gardens. **1.00** Escape To The Country. **2.00** Sydney Weekender. **2.30** The Bowls Show. **3.30** Coastwatch Oz. **4.00** Medical Emergency. **4.30** Better Homes And Gardens. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Heartbeat. **8.45** Lewis. **10.45** Law & Order: UK. **11.45** Bargain Hunt. **12.45am** My Greek Odyssey. **2.00** Coastwatch Oz. **2.30** Medical Emergency. **3.00** Better Homes. **4.00** Million Dollar Minute. **5.00** It Is Written. **5.30** James Robison.

9GEM (92, 81) **6am** Gideon's Way. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. **8.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **10.30** Pointless. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. **Noon** Days Of Our Lives. **12.55** The Young And The Restless. **1.50** Explore. **2.00** Dr Quinn, Medicine Woman. **3.00** Antiques Roadshow. **3.30** MOVIE: Confession. (1955, PG) **5.30** The Travelling Auctioneers. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** As Time Goes By. **8.40** Midsomer Murders. **10.50** Madam Secretary. **11.50** See No Evil. **12.50am** Living With A Serial Killer. **1.50** Explore. **2.00** Take Two. **2.30** Grand Hotel. **3.30** The Fix. **4.30** Joyce Meyer. **5.00** Danger Man.

10 PEACH (11, 52) **6am** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** Becker. **8.00** Seinfeld. **9.00** Friends. **10.00** The King Of Queens. **11.00** Frasier. **Noon** Becker. **1.00** NBL Slam. (Return) **2.00** Seinfeld. **3.00** The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Murder. **8.30** JAG. **7.30** Bull. **8.30** NCIS. **9.25** Hawaii Five-O. **10.20** NCIS: Hawaii. **11.15** Diagnosis Murder. **12.15am** Home Shopping. **2.15** Diagnosis Murder. **4.05** JAG.

NITV (34) **6am** Morning Programs. **8.45** Bushwhacked! **9.10** The Magic Canoe. **9.35** Toi Time. **10.00** Arabian Inferno. **10.50** Voices To Martuwarra Fitzroy. **11.00** The Point. **Noon** Over The Black Dot. **12.30** Occupation: Native. **1.30** Vanilla: A Caribbean Tale. **2.00** Bamay. **2.30** The Cook Up. **3.00** Motown Magic. **3.25** Thalu. **3.40** Fresh Fairytales. **3.55** Pipi Ma. **4.00** Crazy Smart Science. **4.30** Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** Te Ao With Moana. **6.00** Bamay. **6.40** News. **6.50** Arabian Inferno. **7.40** The Frontier. **8.30** Yokayi Footy. **9.30** Lionel. **11.00** Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) **6am** Oliver! Continued. (1968, PG) **8.35** Three Summers. (2019, PG, Portuguese) **10.25** Mahana. (2016, M) **12.20pm** Bellbird. (2019, M) **2.10** Bye Bye Birdie. (1963, PG) **4.15** Dean Spanley. (2008, PG) **6.10** Dan In Real Life. (2007, PG) **8.00** Shiva Baby. (2020, M) **9.30** Baby Done. (2020, M) **11.10** Freshman Year. (2020, M) **1.05am** My Days Of Glory. (2019, M, French) **2.55** Golden Exits. (2017, M) **4.35** Dean Spanley. (2008, PG)

7MATE (73, 64) **6am** ITM Fishing Show: Best Of The Best. **7.00** Step Outside With Paul Burt. **7.30** Creek To Coast. **8.00** NFL 100 Greatest. **9.00** Motor Racing. Supercars Support Races. Carrera Cup. Highlights. **10.00** American Pickers. **11.00** Pawn Stars. **Noon** Outback Truckers. **1.00** Outback Farm. **2.00** Jade Fever. **3.00** Billy The Exterminator. **3.30** Full Custom Garage. **4.30** Storage Wars: Texas. **5.00** American Restoration. **5.30** American Pickers. **6.30** Pawn Stars. **7.30** Highway Patrol. **8.30** The Force: Behind The Line. **9.30** Mt Hutt Rescue. **10.30** Surveillance Oz. **11.30** Crash Investigation Unit. **Midnight** Late Programs.

9GO! (93, 82) **6am** Children's Programs. **Noon** Top Chef. **1.00** Bewitched. **1.30** Raymond. **2.30** Full House. **3.00** MacGyver. **4.00** Family Ties. **4.30** The Addams Family. **5.00** Bewitched. **5.30** I Dream Of Jeannie. **6.00** Raymond. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** MOVIE: Tower Heist. (2011, M) **9.35** MOVIE: The House. (2017, MA15+) **11.20** Young Sheldon. **11.50** Homeland. **1am** Love Island USA. **2.00** I Dream Of Jeannie. **2.30** Full House. **3.00** Bakugan: Legends. **3.30** Monk Kid. **4.00** The Amazing World Of Gumball. **4.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **5.00** Pokémon The Series: Sun & Moon - Ultra Legends. **5.30** Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens.

10 BOLD (12, 53) **6am** Home Shopping. **8.00** Exploring Off The Grid. **8.30** Pooches At Play. **9.00** Taste Of Australia: BBQ Special. **9.30** Jake And The Fatman. **10.30** JAG. **12.30pm** Star Trek: Voyager. **2.30** Jake And The Fatman. **3.30** Diagnosis Murder. **5.30** JAG. **7.30** Bull. **8.30** NCIS. **9.25** Hawaii Five-O. **10.20** NCIS: Hawaii. **11.15** Diagnosis Murder. **12.15am** Home Shopping. **2.15** Diagnosis Murder. **4.05** JAG.

Thursday, September 28

<p>ABC (2) 6.00 News. 9.00 News. 10.00 Australian Story. (R) 10.30 That Pacific Sports Show. (R) 11.00 Our Dementia Choir. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) 1.30 Would I Lie To You? (R) 2.00 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. (M, R) 2.30 Aftertaste. (M, R) 3.00 Restoration Australia. (PG, R) 3.55 Tenable. (R) 4.40 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)</p> <p>6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30-7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. 8.00 Foreign Correspondent. A look at a billion-dollar illegal drug trade. 8.30 Grand Designs: House Of The Year: Pioneers. Part 3 of 4. Kevin McCloud and the experts explore some pioneering homes. 9.20 Griff's Great Australian Rail Trip: Rawlinna To Sydney - What Is An Australian? (PG, R) Griff Rhys Jones explores Australia by train. 10.10 Art Works. (R) 10.40 ABC Late News. 10.55 The Business. (R) 11.10 The Whiteley Art Scandal. (Mls, R) 12.10 Q+A. (R) 1.10 The Pool. (PG, R) 2.10 Rage. (MA15+adhlsv) 3.40 Tenable. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30-7.30. (R)</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Make Me A Dealer. (R) 9.50 Living With The Boss. (PG, R) 10.45 Off The Beaten Track With Kate Humble. (PG) 12.00 WorldWatch. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Tommy Fleming: 30 Years Of Song. 3.35 Mother Tongue. (R) 3.45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (R) 4.15 World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys. (PGal, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)</p> <p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Great Australian Walks With Julia Zemiro. Julia Zemiro heads to Byron Bay. 8.30 Eva Longoria: Searching For Mexico: Veracruz. (Final, M) Eva Longoria heads to Veracruz, a state that hugs the Atlantic coastline along the Gulf of Mexico. 9.20 Crime. (MA15+d) DI Ray Lennox interrogates sadomasochism den owner Richie Gulliver. 10.20 SBS World News Late. 10.50 Devils. (Premiere, MA15+ad) 11.50 Nine Perfect Strangers. (Mlv, R) 3.20 Italian Food Safari. (R) 3.50 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (PG, R) 4.20 Bamay. (R) 4.50 Destination Flavour: Japan Bitesize. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.</p>	<p>SEVEN (7, 6) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 My Kitchen Rules. (PGI, R) 1.45 Surveillance Oz. (PG, R) 2.00 Korchie's Business Builders. 2.30 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia.</p> <p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) The end is near for Justin and Leah. Tane comes clean. Kirby's solo launch event arrives. 8.30 The Front Bar: Grand Final Edition. (Final, M) In the lead-up to the Grand Final, hosts Mick Molloy, Sam Pang and Andy Maher take a lighter look at all things AFL and catch up with stars of yesterday and today. 10.00 The 1% Club. (PGIs, R) Jim Jefferies hosts a game show where contestants must answer increasingly obscure questions. 11.05 The Latest: Seven News. 11.35 To Be Advised. [VIC] My Kitchen Rules. (R) 1.20 Travel Oz. (PG, R) 1.30 [VIC] Home Shopping. 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>NINE (9, 8) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 The Block. (PGal, R) 1.00 Kenan. (PGI) 1.30 Mr Mayor. (PGs, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 [VIC] Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) 5.30 [VIC] WIN News.</p> <p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30-30 Years Of The Grand Final Footy Show. (Mln) A look back on the last 30 years of the show. 9.00 RBT. (PGdl, R) Follows police units that operate random breath-test patrols around Australia. 10.00 Emergency. (Mm) A motorbike rider takes a tumble. 11.00 Nine News Late. 11.30 Chicago Med. (MA15+am) 12.20 The First 48: A Man's Game. (Mal, R) 1.10 Chicago Med. (MA15+am, R) 2.00 It's All Greek To Me. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>TEN (10, 5) 6.00 Morning Programs. 7.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.00 Bold. (PGa, R) 9.30 Neighbours. (PGa, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGa, R) 2.00 So Help Me Todd. (PGav, R) 3.00 Ent. Tonight. 3.30 Everyday Gourmet. 4.00 Bold. (PGa) 4.30 Neighbours. (PGa) 5.00 News.</p> <p>6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 Gogglebox Australia. TV fanatics open up their living rooms to reveal their reactions to popular and topical TV shows. 8.30 Michael Hing: Long Live The Hing. (MA15+Is) A stand-up performance by Michael Hing who recounts the story of everything that went wrong when he decided to propose to his girlfriend. 9.40 The Cheap Seats. (Mal, R) Presenters Melanie Bracewell and Tim McDonald take a look at the week that was. 10.40 Law & Order: SVU. (Mas, R) A schoolgirl goes missing. 1.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 2.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 3.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
<p>ABC COMEDY (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.05pm Karma's World. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Qi. 8.30 Would I Lie To You? 9.00 Hard Quiz. 9.30 WTFQAQ. 10.00 Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 10.40 Tomorrow Tonight. 11.15 Why Are You Like This. (Final) 11.40 Louis Theroux: Transgender Kids. 12.40am Would I Lie To You? 1.10 Celia Pacquola: All Talk. 2.10 Red Dwarf. 2.40 ABC News Update. 2.45 Close. 5.00 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 10.00 Shortland St. Noon The Kimberley Cruise: The Full Journey. 2.50 Overlooked. 3.20 WorldWatch. 5.20 Counter Space. 5.50 Forged In Fire. 6.40 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Myths: The Greatest Mysteries Of Humanity. 9.30 From North Korea, With Love. 10.25 The Frontier. 11.20 Taskmaster. 12.15am Late Programs.</p>	<p>7TWO (72, 62) 6am Morning Programs. 9.00 Harry's Practice. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Better Homes. 1.00 Escape To The Country. 2.00 Harry's Practice. 2.30 My Greek Odyssey. 3.30 Coastwatch Oz. 4.00 Medical Emergency. 4.30 Better Homes. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Father Brown. 8.30 Miss Scarlet And The Duke. 9.40 Harry Palmer: The Ipress File. 10.40 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GEM (92, 81) 6am Morning Programs. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless. 1.50 Explore. 2.00 Dr Quinn. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: Trent's Last Case. (1952) 5.30 The Travelling Auctioneers. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Keeping Up Appearances. 8.40 MOVIE: Agatha And The Midnight Murders. (2020, M) 10.40 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 PEACH (11, 52) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 Becker. 8.00 Seinfeld. 9.00 Friends. 10.00 The King Of Queens. 11.00 Frasier. Noon Becker. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. 2.00 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 6.30 Neighbours. 7.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.30 Frasier. Midnight Shopping. 1.30 Late Programs.</p>
<p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Going Places. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.40 Fresh Fairytales. 3.55 Pipi Ma. 4.00 Crazy Smart Science. 4.30 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 The 77 Percent. 6.00 Bamay. 6.30 News. 6.40 Arabian Inferno. 7.30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. 8.30 Miniseries: True Colours. 9.30 MOVIE: Love & Basketball. (2000, M) 11.45 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Dean Spanley. Continued. (2008, PG) 6.30 Dan In Real Life. (2007, PG) 8.20 The Umbrellas Of Cherbourg. (1964, PG, French) 10.00 Dancing Arabs. (2014, M, Hebrew) Noon Shiva Baby. (2020, M) 1.30 Oliver! (1968, PG) 4.10 Three Summers. (2019, PG, Portuguese) 6.00 The Mouse That Roared. (1959) 7.30 The Eagle Has Landed. (1976, M) 10.00 Tracker. (2010, M) 11.55 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7MATE (73, 64) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 American Pickers. 11.00 Pawn Stars. Noon Highway Patrol. 1.00 The Force: BTL. 2.00 Jade Fever. 3.00 Billy The Exterminator. 3.30 Full Custom Garage. 4.30 Storage Wars: TX. 5.00 American Restoration. 5.30 American Pickers. 6.30 Pawn Stars. 7.30 The Simpsons. 8.30 MOVIE: Talladega Nights: The Ballad Of Ricky Bobby. (2006, M) 10.45 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GO! (93, 82) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Top Chef. 1.00 Bewitched. 1.30 Raymond. 2.30 Full House. 3.00 MacGyver. 4.00 Family Ties. 4.30 The Addams Family. 5.00 Bewitched. 5.30 I Dream Of Jeannie. 6.00 Raymond. 7.00 Young Sheldon. 7.30 Survivor 45. (Return) 9.00 MOVIE: High Crimes. (2002, M) 11.30 Homeland. 12.45am Love Island USA. 2.30 Full House. 3.00 Bakugan: Legends. 3.30 Monk Kid. 4.00 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 BOLD (12, 53) 6am Home Shopping. 8.00 Exploring Off The Grid. 8.30 Pooches At Play. 9.00 Taste Of Australia: BBQ Special. 9.30 Jake And The Fatman. 10.30 JAG. 12.30pm Star Trek: Voyager. 2.30 Jake And The Fatman. 3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 5.30 JAG. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 NCIS. 9.30 NCIS: New Orleans. 10.30 FBI. 11.30 NCIS: Los Angeles. 12.30am Home Shopping. 2.00 Diagnosis Murder. 4.00 JAG.</p>

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Friday, September 29

<p>ABC TV (2) 6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Makers Of Modern Australia. (PG, R) 10.55 Back To Nature. (R) 11.30 The Pacific. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 The Newsreader. (Mdl, R) 1.55 WTFQAQ. (R) 2.25 Starstruck. (Mdl, R) 2.55 Restoration Australia. (R) 3.55 Tenable. (R) 4.40 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)</p> <p>6.00 The Drum. Analysis of the day's news. 7.00 ABC News. A look at the top stories of the day. 7.30 Gardening Australia. Costa Georgiadis tours a high-rise haven. 8.30 Sherwood. (Malsv) As the hunt for the killer continues, Kevin Salisbury from the MET arrives to assist in the investigation. 9.35 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) Attendees of a party celebrating a sparkling wine launch are endangered when the glasses are laced with slug poison. 11.05 ABC Late News. Coverage of the day's events. 11.20 Silent Witness. (Ma, R) Nikki investigates a private jet crash. 12.20 Harrow. (Mav, R) 1.10 Rage. (MA15+adhlsv)</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) 9.10 Make Me A Dealer. (R) 10.00 Rick Steves' Europe. (Return) 11.00 The Shape Of History. (PGav, R) 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 Mastermind Aust. (R) 3.00 NITV News: Nula. (R) 3.30 Klesha. (PG) 3.45 The Cook Up. (PG, R) 4.15 World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys. (R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)</p> <p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 South America With Simon Reeve: Bolivia To Paraguay. (PGa) Part 4 of 5. 8.40 Ancient Egypt: Chronicles Of An Empire: Pyramids. (PGa) Traces the history of Egyptian tomb architecture and how it has evolved over the millennia. 9.40 Tony Robinson: The Thames At Night. (R) Part 4 of 4. 10.35 SBS World News Late. 11.05 Unseen. (Mals) 12.00 Furia. (MA15+av, R) 3.40 Italian Food Safari. (R) 4.10 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.40 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.</p>	<p>SEVEN (7, 6) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Stop The Wedding. (2016, PG, R) Rachel Boston, Niall Matter, Alan Thicke. 2.00 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 2.30 Border Security USA. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia.</p> <p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Football. AFL Women's. Round 5. Western Bulldogs v St Kilda. From Whitten Oval, Melbourne. 9.15 MOVIE: Father Of The Bride Part II. (1995, G, R) A father, already traumatised by his daughter's marriage, is shocked by the news that both her and his wife are pregnant. At a loss about how to handle the life-changing announcement, he sets out to recapture his youth. Steve Martin, Diane Keaton, Martin Short. 11.30 Armchair Experts. (M) Adam Cooney, Cam Luke and Georgie Parker present their unique analysis of the week in AFL. 12.30 To Be Advised. [VIC] Home Shopping.</p>	<p>NINE (9, 8) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Snowkissed. (2021, G) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 [VIC] Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 [VIC] WIN News.</p> <p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 The Footy Show Grand Final: My Room Telethon. (PG) The Sunday Footy Show joins forces with My Room Children's Cancer Charity for the Footy Show: My Room Telethon. 10.30 MOVIE: The Expendables 2. (2012, MA15+lv, R) A group of mercenaries seeks revenge. Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham. 12.30 Chicago Med. (MA15+am, R) Crockett worries he made a surgical error. 2.30 It's All Greek To Me. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Postcards. (PG, R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. (R)</p>	<p>TEN (10, 5) 6.00 Freshly Picked. (R) 6.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 7.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.00 Bold. (PGa, R) 9.30 Neighbours. (PGa, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGa, R) 2.00 To Be Advised. 3.15 Ent. Tonight. 3.30 Everyday Gourmet. 4.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 4.30 Bold. (PGa) 5.00 News.</p> <p>6.30 The Project. The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. 7.30 Have You Been Paying Attention? (Mals, R) Celebrity panellists compete to see who can remember the most about events of the week. 8.30 The Graham Norton Show. (Ma, R) Graham Norton is joined by actors Claire Foy and Sarah Michelle Gellar, comedian Rob Beckett and director M. Night Shyamalan. Musical guest is Sam Smith, who performs <i>Not Here to Make Friends</i>. 10.30 To Be Advised. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 12.40 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Hosted by Stephen Colbert. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R)</p>
<p>ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.05pm Gardening Australia Junior. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Hard Quiz. (Final) 8.30 MOVIE: Paddington. (2014) 10.05 Noughts + Crosses. 11.00 Killing Eve. 11.45 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 12.35am Unprotected Sets. (Final) 1.20 Auschwitz Untold: In Colour. 2.30 ABC News Update. 2.35 Close. 5.00 Moon And Me. 5.25 Teletubbies. 5.35 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 10.00 Shortland St. Noon United Shades Of America. 1.30 The Story Of. 2.00 Miniseries: The Salisbury Poisonings. 2.55 The Pizza Show. 3.25 WorldWatch. 5.25 Counter Space. 5.50 Forged In Fire. 6.40 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Hoarders. 9.20 Sex Tape Germany. 10.30 While The Men Are Away. 11.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7TWO (72, 62) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Coastwatch Oz. 8.00 Million Dollar Minute. 9.00 Harry's Practice. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Better Homes. 1.00 House Of Wellness. 2.00 Discover With RAA Travel. 2.30 The Great Australian Doorstep. 3.00 Harry's Practice. 3.30 Coastwatch Oz. 4.00 Better Homes. 5.00 Escape To The Country. 6.00 Bargain Hunt. 7.00 Better Homes. 8.30 Escape To The Country. 11.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GEM (92, 81) 6am Morning Programs. 12.55pm The Young And The Restless. 1.50 Explore. 2.00 Dr Quinn. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: Mr Denning Drives North. (1951, PG) 5.30 The Travelling Auctioneers. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 To Catch A Smuggler. 8.30 Locked Up Abroad. 9.30 Underworld Inc. (Premiere) 10.30 Notorious: Happy Face Killer. 12.20am Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 PEACH (11, 52) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 NBL Slam. 8.00 Seinfeld. 10.00 The King Of Queens. 11.00 Frasier. Noon Becker. 1.00 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 7.30 Thank God You're Here. 8.30 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.00 Frasier. Midnight Shopping. 1.30 Stephen Colbert. 2.30 Late Programs.</p>
<p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Always Have And Always Will. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Motown Magic. 3.25 Red Dirt Riders. 3.40 Fresh Fairytales. 3.55 Pipi Ma. 4.00 Crazy Smart Science. 4.30 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 NITV News: Nula. 6.00 Bamay. 6.40 Arabian Inferno. 7.30 MOVIE: Labyrinth. (1986) 9.25 MOVIE: Beverly Hills Cop II. (1987, MA15+) 11.15 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Three Summers. Continued. (2019, PG, Portuguese) 7.40 The Mouse That Roared. (1959) 9.15 Courted. (2015, PG, French) 11.05 Freshman Year. (2020, M) 12.55pm Baby Done. (2020, M) 2.40 Dan In Real Life. (2007, PG) 4.30 The Umbrellas Of Cherbourg. (1964, PG, French) 6.10 The Importance Of Being Earnest. (2002) 7.50 Twist. (2021, M) 9.30 Muru. (2022) 11.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7MATE (73, 64) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 Blokesworld. 10.30 Jabba's School Holiday Movie Special. 11.00 American Pickers. Noon Pawn Stars. 1.00 Simpsons. 2.00 Jade Fever. 3.00 Timbersports. 3.30 Full Custom Garage. 4.30 Storage Wars: TX. 5.00 American Restoration. 5.30 American Pickers. 6.30 Pawn Stars. 7.30 MOVIE: Face/Off. (1997, M) 10.20 MOVIE: Falling Down. (1993, M) 12.40am Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GO! (93, 82) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Top Chef. 1.00 Bewitched. 1.30 Raymond. 2.30 Full House. 3.00 MacGyver. 4.00 Family Ties. 4.30 The Addams Family. 5.00 Bewitched. 5.30 I Dream Of Jeannie. 6.00 MOVIE: Spy Kids 3: Game Over. (2003, PG) 7.30 MOVIE: Zookeeper. (2011, PG) 9.30 MOVIE: Wedding Crashers. (2005, M) 11.50 Homeland. 1am Grimm. 1.55 Love Island USA. 2.50 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 BOLD (12, 53) 6am Home Shopping. 8.00 Exploring Off The Grid. 8.30 Pooches At Play. 9.00 Taste Of Australia: BBQ Special. 9.30 Jake And The Fatman. 10.30 JAG. 12.30pm Star Trek: Voyager. 2.30 Jake And The Fatman. 3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 5.30 JAG. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 NCIS. 9.25 NCIS: Los Angeles. 11.15 Star Trek: Discovery. 12.15am Home Shopping. 2.15 Diagnosis Murder. 4.05 JAG.</p>

Saturday, September 30

<p>ABC TV (2) 6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Rage. (PG) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Midsomer Murders. (PG, R) 2.00 Sherwood. (Malsv, R) 3.00 Becoming Frida Kahlo. (Final, PGa, R) 4.00 Australian Women In Music Awards. 5.30 The Whiteley Art Scandal. (PG, R)</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Designing Paradise With Bill Bensley. 10.00 The Eco Show. (PG) 11.00 Curious Traveller. 12.00 WorldWatch. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Gymnastics. FIG Artistic World Challenge Cup series. Round 5. Highlights. 4.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.30 Gone Fishing With Mortimer & Whitehouse. (PGI, R) 5.40 Secret Nazi Bases. (PG, R)</p>	<p>SEVEN (7, 6) 6.00 NBC Today. [VIC] Home Shopping. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 9.00 AFL Grand Final Brunch. 10.30 AFL Grand Final Countdown. 12.00 AFL Grand Final Pre-Game Show. 2.00 Football. AFL. Grand final. 5.00 AFL Grand Final Post-Game Presentation.</p>	<p>NINE (9, 8) 6.00 Getaway. (PG, R) 6.30 A Current Affair. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 Today Extra: Saturday. (PG) 12.00 Drive TV. (R) 12.30 My Way. (PG) 1.00 The Pet Rescuers. (PGm, R) 1.30 Explore. (R) 1.45 The Block. (PGal, R) 3.20 The Block. (PGal, R) 4.30 The Garden Gurus. 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 Getaway. (PG)</p>	<p>TEN (10, 5) 6.00 Morning Programs. 9.00 GCBC. (R) 9.30 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 Luxury Escapes. (R) 12.30 Well Traveller. (PGa, R) 1.00 10 Minute Kitchen. 1.30 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 2.00 Freshly Picked. (R) 2.30 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 3.00 What's Up Down Under. (PGa) 4.00 [VIC] My Market Kitchen. 4.30 Food Trail: South Africa. 5.00 News.</p>
<p>6.30 Kitchen Cabinet. (R) Annabel Crabb meets Bridget McKenzie. 7.00 ABC News. A look at the top stories of the day. 7.30 Shakespeare And Hathaway. (PG) Frank and Lu are hired to look into the drowning of a former Miss Stratford-upon-Avon. 8.20 Vera. (Mv, R) When the remains of a girl are found half-buried in a Northumberland wood, DCI Vera Stanhope and her team find themselves investigating a 30-year-old mystery involving a miner's missing daughter. 9.50 The Newsreader. (Mdl, R) Helen is plunged into crisis when a gossip columnist threatens to expose her troubled past. 10.45 Shetland. (Mal, R) The team searches for a link between the two bodies. 11.45 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) Music video clips.</p>	<p>6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 MOVIE: Duran Duran: A Hollywood High. (2022) A celebration of Duran Duran's career. Simon Le Bon, Nick Rhodes. 9.10 Rock Legends: Tina Turner. (PGa) Takes a look at the life and music of the late Tina Turner and the impact she made on popular culture. 10.00 World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys: Norway. (R) Narrated by Bill Nighy. 10.50 Rex In Rome. (Mdl, R) 12.40 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 1.40 Bamay. (R) 3.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.00 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.</p>	<p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Border Security: Australia's Front Line. (PGd, R) Drug paraphernalia is found in luggage. 7.30 MOVIE: Free Guy. (2021, Mlv) A bank teller discovers that he is actually a non-playable character inside a brutal, open world video game. Ryan Reynolds, Jodie Comer. 10.00 MOVIE: Unstoppable. (2010, Ml, R) A veteran engineer and a young conductor try to stop a runaway train from crashing into a populated area. Denzel Washington, Chris Pine. 12.05 12 Monkeys. (MA15+V, R) Cole returns to 2043. 1.00 [VIC] Home Shopping. 1.50 Travel Oz. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Get Clever. (R) 5.00 House Of Wellness. (PGa, R)</p>	<p>6.00 Nine News Saturday. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 MOVIE: Jurassic World. (2015, Mv, R) A genetically modified hybrid dinosaur escapes containment and goes on a killing spree at a theme park. Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard. 10.00 MOVIE: Gods Of Egypt. (2016, Mv, R) When Egypt is plunged into chaos and conflict, an unexpected hero rises to overthrow Set, the god of darkness. Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, Brenton Thwaites. 12.20 My Way. (PG, R) Stories of inspirational Australians. 12.50 He Said/She Said. (Ma) Presented by Ben Fordham and Shelly Horton. 1.00 To Be Advised. 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Helping Hands. (PG, R)</p>	<p>6.00 Luxury Escapes. A look at a Mediterranean cruise. 6.30 Bondi Rescue. (Pgl, R) Lifeguards investigate a floating object. 7.00 The Dog House Australia. (PGad, R) Narrated by Mark Coles Smith. 8.00 Thank God You're Here. (Mds, R) Comedians include Kitty Flanagan, Marty Sheargold, Emma Holland and Guy Montgomery. 9.00 MOVIE: Mission: Impossible. (1996, Mv, R) A secret agent sets out to discover who double-crossed him and killed his colleagues. Tom Cruise, Jon Voight, Ving Rhames. 11.00 The Cheap Seats. (Mal, R) Presented by Melanie Bracewell and Tim McDonald. 12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Authentic. (PG) 5.00 Hour Of Power.</p>
<p>ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.45pm The Adventures Of Paddington. 6.55 Shaun The Sheep. 7.05 Andy's Safari Adventures. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.30 Judith Lucy Vs Men. 9.50 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 10.15 Mock The Week. 10.45 Staged. 11.10 Superwog. 11.55 Blunt Talk. 12.25am Veneno. 1.25 ABC News Update. 1.30 Close. 5.00 Moon And Me. 5.25 Teletubbies. 5.35 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 10.00 Shortland St. Noon Kim's Convenience. 12.25 VICE. 1.00 Camel Beauty Pageant. 1.30 8 Out Of 10 Cats. 2.50 WorldWatch. 4.45 Mastermind Aust. 5.55 Monty Python. 6.30 The Secret Genius Of Modern Life. 7.40 When Big Things Go Wrong. 8.30 Dirty Rotten Cleaners. 9.20 Conversations With Friends. 10.30 Bad Education Reunion Special. 11.25 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7TWO (72, 62) 6am Home Shopping. 8.30 Travel Oz. 10.00 House Of Wellness. 11.00 Horses For Courses. Noon Horse Racing. TAB Epsom Day and Grand Final Race Day. 5.00 Border Security: International. 5.30 The Yorkshire Vet. 6.30 Bondi Vet. 7.30 The Yorkshire Vet. 8.30 Escape To The Country. 10.30 The Great Outdoors: Greatest Escapes. 11.30 The Yorkshire Vet. 12.30am My Greek Odyssey. 1.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GEM (92, 81) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Seaway. 8.30 TV Shop. 10.00 Helping Hands. 10.30 Avengers. 11.40 MOVIE: Laxdale Hall. (1953) 1.15pm MOVIE: The Loves Of Joanna Godden. (1947, PG) 3.05 MOVIE: Orders To Kill. (1958, PG) 5.20 MOVIE: The Bridges At Toko-Ri. (1954) 7.30 MOVIE: The Magnificent Seven. (1960, PG) 10.10 MOVIE: Guns Of The Magnificent Seven. (1969, M) 12.20am Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 PEACH (11, 52) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 Seinfeld. 8.30 Becker. 9.00 Neighbours. 11.00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. 11.30 Frasier. Noon To Be Advised. 1.15 The Big Bang Theory. 2.05 The King Of Queens. 3.00 Frasier. 3.30 Becker. 4.30 Seinfeld. 6.00 The Big Bang Theory. 10.15 Friends. 12.15am Home Shopping. 1.45 MTV Cribs. 3.35 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 4.30 Home Shopping.</p>

<p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 9.10 The Magic Canoe. 9.35 Toi Time. 10.00 Barunga Concert Special. 11.50 MOVIE: Blinky Bill: The Movie. (2015, PG) 1.30pm Arabian Inferno. 2.20 The Whole Table. 3.20 Bamay. 4.20 Going Places. 5.50 Amplify. 6.20 First People's Kitchen. 6.50 News. 7.00 Family Rules. 7.30 Black Mamba: Kiss Of Death. 8.30 Alone. 9.40 MOVIE: Blair Witch. (2016, MA15+) 11.20 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Morning Programs. 6.50 Ernest & Celestine. (2012, PG) 8.20 The Importance Of Being Earnest. (2002) 10.05 The Loneliest Planet. (2011, M) 12.05pm Tracker. (2010, M) 2.00 The Mouse That Roared. (1959) 3.35 Lost In Paris. (2016, PG) 5.05 Courted. (2015, PG, French) 6.55 Malcolm. (1986, PG) 8.30 A Hard Day's Night. (1964, PG) 10.10 Sleeping Beauty. (2011, MA15+) 12.05am Late Programs.</p>	<p>7MATE (73, 64) 6am Morning Programs. 11.00 Football. AFL Women's. Round 5. Collingwood v Essendon. 1pm Blokesworld. 1.30 Dipper's Rigs. 2.00 Rides Down Under: Workshop Wars. 3.00 American Restoration. 3.30 Storage Wars: TX. 4.00 Counting Cars. 4.30 Carnage. 5.30 Storage Wars. 6.00 AFL Grand Final Post-Game Show. 7.00 Football. AFL. Grand final. Replay. 10.00 MOVIE: The 5th Wave. (2016, M) 12.25am Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GO! (93, 82) 6am Children's Programs. 2pm MOVIE: 100% Wolf. (2020, PG) 4.00 Everyday Loves Raymond: The First Six Years. 5.00 Sunnyside. 5.30 MOVIE: Richie Rich. (1994, PG) 7.30 MOVIE: Nanny McPhee. (2005, PG) 9.30 MOVIE: Hating Alison Ashley. (2005, PG) 11.30 Dominion. 12.30am Grimm. 1.30 Love After Lockup. 3.30 Beyblade Burst Surge. 4.00 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens. 4.30 Pokémon. 4.50 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 BOLD (12, 53) 6am Home Shopping. 9.00 The Offroad Adventure Show. 10.00 Diagnosis Murder. Noon Escape Fishing With ET. 12.30 Jake And The Fatman. 1.30 JAG. 2.30 Pooches At Play. 3.00 What's Up Down Under. 4.00 JAG. 5.00 Reel Action. 5.30 JAG. 7.30 NCIS. 9.25 48 Hours. 10.20 NCIS. 11.15 NCIS: Los Angeles. 12.15am Blue Bloods. 1.10 Star Trek: Discovery. 3.10 JAG. 5.00 Home Shopping.</p>
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Sunday, October 1

<p>ABC TV (2) 6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Insiders. 10.00 Offsiders: Grand Final Special. 11.00 Compass. (PGa, R) 11.30 Songs Of Praise. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Landline. 1.30 Gardening Australia. (R) 2.30 Shakespeare And Hathaway. (PG, R) 3.15 Grand Designs: House Of The Year. (R) 4.05 Griff's Great Australian Rail Trip. (PG, R) 5.00 Art Works. (Final) 5.30 Antiques Roadshow.</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 DW English News. 6.30 Al Jazeera News. 7.00 APAC Weekly. 7.30 France 24 English News. 8.00 DD India Prime Time News. 9.00 Rugby League. Koori Knockout. 5.30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (PG, R) 5.40 Secret Nazi Bases: Himmler's Occult Castle. (PGa, R) A look at Wewelsburg Castle.</p>	<p>SEVEN (7, 6) 6.00 Better Homes. (R) [VIC] Shopping. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 Morning Show. (PG) 12.00 Jabba's School Holiday Movie Special. (PGv, R) 12.30 Border Security: Int. (PG, R) 1.00 Football. AFL Women's. Round 5. North Melbourne v GWS Giants. 3.00 Football. AFL Women's. Round 5. Hawthorn v Brisbane Lions. 5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Border Security: Australia's Front Line. (PG, R)</p>	<p>NINE (9, 8) 6.00 Fishing Australia. (R) 6.30 A Current Affair. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 The AFL Sunday Footy Show. (PG) 12.00 Sports Sunday. (PG) 1.00 Grand Final Day. 1.20 Rugby League. State Cup C'ship. Grand Final. From Accor Stadium, Sydney. 3.10 Grand Final Day. 3.55 Rugby League. NRL Women's Premiership. Grand Final. From Accor Stadium, Sydney. 5.30 Grand Final Day.</p>	<p>TEN (10, 5) 6.00 Morning Programs. 8.30 Freshly Picked. (R) 9.00 The Chef's Garden. 9.30 Pooches At Play. (R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 Shark Tank. (PGa, R) 1.10 My Market Kitchen. (R) 1.30 Three Blue Ducks. (Pgl, R) 2.00 Freshly Picked. (R) 2.30 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 3.00 Destination Dessert. (R) 3.30 GCBC. (R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 4.30 Taste Of Australia: BBQ Special. (Return) 5.00 News.</p>
<p>6.30 Voices Of Australia. Part 3 of 4. 7.00 ABC News. A look at the top stories of the day. 7.30 Death In Paradise. (Mv, R) A concert pianist is murdered. 8.30 The Newsreader. (Mdl) As Australia's 1988 Bicentennial approaches, Helen is determined to interview a fiery Aboriginal activist. 9.25 Mother And Son. (Mal, R) Maya and Arthur grow closer when Arthur agrees to review the new restaurant. 10.00 Annika. (Mal, R) An author's death is investigated. 10.45 Total Control. (MA15+, R) 11.40 Talking Heads. (R) 12.10 Rage Vault. (MA15+adhlnsv) 2.00 Escape From The City. (R) 5.00 Insiders. (R)</p>	<p>6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Houdini's Lost Diaries. (PGal, R) Explores the life of Harry Houdini. 9.00 Rebel With A Cause: Pat O'Shane. A celebration of the life and career of Pat O'Shane AM, a Yalangi woman from the Kunjandji clan. 10.00 Empires Of New York: Crossing The Line Without Consequences. (Madv) Chronicles the rise of five New York icons. 10.50 Looby. (Mln, R) 12.15 24 Hours In Emergency. (PGa, R) 2.05 Is Australia Sexist? (Mals, R) 3.05 Patriot Brains. (Mals, R) 3.55 Italian Food Safari. (R) 4.25 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: Japan Bitesize. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 Al Jazeera News.</p>	<p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 My Kitchen Rules. (Pgl) Hosted by Manu Feildel and Colin Fassnidge. 8.45 ABBA Silver, ABBA Gold. (PG, R) Follows Swedish supergroup ABBA from the Eurovision Song Contest to present day's CGI performances. 9.45 The Disappearance Of Grace Millane. (Mas, R) The story of the 2018 murder of British backpacker Grace Millane and how her killer was caught. 11.45 Born To Kill? Beverley Allitt. (Mav, R) 12.45 The InBetween. (Mav, R) 1.00 [VIC] Home Shopping. 3.30 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 4.00 My Greek Odyssey. (PG, R) 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>6.00 Nine News Sunday. 6.30 Grand Final Night. Pre-match entertainment. 7.30 Rugby League. NRL. Grand Final. 9.30 NRL Grand Final Post-Match. Analysis and post-match interviews, as well as coverage of the presentation and victory lap. 10.30 Nine News Late. 11.00 Killer At The Crime Scene: Sinead Healy. (Mv) 12.00 The First 48. (Mav, R) 1.00 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything. (PG, R) 2.00 Garden Gurus Moments. (R) 2.15 Rugby Union. Rugby World Cup. Australia v Portugal. 4.30 Rugby World Cup Post-Match. 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>6.30 The Sunday Project. Panellists dissect, digest and reconstitute the daily news, events and hottest topics. 7.30 The Graham Norton Show. (Return) Graham Norton is joined by Kylie Minogue, Stephen Graham, David Mitchell and Mawaan Rizwan. 8.30 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mdv, R) When a US Marine corporal dies in a tide pool after being exposed to fentanyl, the NCIS team must quickly find the source of the drugs. Alex talks about taking a gap year. Ernie reveals some personal news. 10.30 Five Bedrooms. (Mls, R) Ainsley and Simmo's wedding day arrives. 11.30 The Sunday Project. (R) A look at the day's news. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
<p>ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.55pm Shaun The Sheep. 7.05 Andy's Safari Adventures. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 QI. 8.30 Louis Theroux: Under The Knife. 9.30 You Can't Ask That. 10.05 Vera. 11.35 Civilisations. 12.35am Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 1.15 Enslaved. 2.15 ABC News Update. 2.20 Close. 5.00 Kiddets. 5.10 Pablo. 5.25 Pocoyo. 5.30 Sarah & Duck. 5.45 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Small Business Secrets. 10.05 Shortland St. 12.05pm High School Mums. 1.00 Australia Says Yes. 2.05 Devoured. 2.55 Jungletown. 3.45 WorldWatch. 4.10 E-Sports Revolution. 5.10 Inside Sydney Airport. 6.10 Kars & Stars. 6.40 Mysteries From Above. 7.35 Abandoned Engineering. 8.30 The UnExplained With William Shatner. 9.20 The Dyatlov Pass Incident. 10.15 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7TWO (72, 62) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 House Of Wellness. 11.00 Escape To The Country. 1pm The Great Outdoors: Greatest Escapes. 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 The Real Seachange. 3.00 The Bowls Show. 4.00 My Greek Odyssey. 5.00 Heathrow. 5.30 I Escaped To The Country. 6.30 Escape To The Country. 8.30 Call The Midwife. 9.40 Miniseries: The Pembrokeshire Murders. 10.45 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GEM (92, 81) 6am Skippy. 6.30 Amazing Facts Presents. 7.00 Leading The Way. 7.30 In Touch. 8.00 Beyond Today. 8.30 The Incredible Journey. 9.00 TV Shop. 10.00 My Favorite Martian. 10.30 Getaway. 11.00 NRL Sunday Footy Show. 1pm MOVIE: How To Stuff A Wild Bikini. (1965) 3.00 MOVIE: The Big Country. (1958, PG) 6.30 M*A*S*H. 8.30 MOVIE: The Pelican Brief. (1993, M) 11.20 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 PEACH (11, 52) 6am Friends. 10.30 Shark Tank. 11.40 The Big Bang Theory. 12.30pm The Middle. 2.00 Basketball. NBL. Round 1. Adelaide 36ers v Melbourne United. 4.00 Basketball. NBL. Round 1. South East Melbourne Phoenix v Perth Wildcats. 6.00 The Big Bang Theory. 8.30 Thank God You're Here. 9.30 Two And A Half Men. 11.00 Friends. Midnight Shopping. 1.30 Charmed. 2.30 Bold. 4.30 Shopping.</p>
<p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 8.05 Nanny Tuta. 8.10 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 8.35 Bushwhacked! 9.00 Rugby League. Koori Knockout. 5.30pm Going Places. 6.00 Talking Language. 6.30 Songlines On Screen. 6.45 News. 6.55 Animal Babies: First Year On Earth. 8.00 The Australian Wars. 9.00 Rebel With A Cause: Pat O'Shane. 10.00 MOVIE: Beverly Hills Cop II. (1987, MA15+) 11.50 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Morning Programs. 8.25 Lost In Paris. (2016, PG) 10.00 J.T. LeRoy. (2018, M) 12.05pm Twist. (2021, M) 1.45 Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014, PG, French) 3.20 Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015, PG, French) 5.10 Stolen Kisses. (1968, PG, French) 6.50 Flight Of The Navigator. (1986, PG) 8.30 The Frozen Ground. (2013) 10.30 Margot At The Wedding. (2007, M) 12.10am Late Programs.</p>	<p>7MATE (73, 64) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 Counting Cars. 10.30 Storage Wars. 11.00 Pawn Stars. 11.30 Fish Of The Day. Noon Cricket. Women's Twenty20 International Series. Australia v West Indies. Game 1. 3.30 Step Outside. 4.00 Million Dollar Car. 4.30 Bushfire Wars. 5.00 Storage Wars: NY. 6.00 Border Security USA. 7.00 Border Security. 8.30 MOVIE: Transporter 3. (2008, M) 10.40 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GO! (93, 82) 6am Children's Programs. 1.50pm Full Bloom. 2.50 Ben Fogle: Starting Up Starting Over. 3.50 A1: Highway Patrol. 4.50 Abby's. 5.20 Sunnyside. 5.50 MOVIE: The Little Rascals. (1994) 7.30 MOVIE: Arrival. (2016, M) 9.50 MOVIE: Ad Astra. (2019, M) 12.15am Falling Water. 2.05 Ben Fogle: Starting Up Starting Over. 3.00 Teen Titans Go! 3.30 Beyblade Burst QuadStrike. 4.00 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens. 4.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 BOLD (12, 53) 6am Home Shopping. 7.30 Key Of David. 8.00 The Offroad Adventure Show. 9.00 What's Up Down Under. 10.00 Escape Fishing With ET. 11.00 Luxury Escapes. 11.30 Destination Dessert. Noon JAG. 2.00 All 4 Adventure. 3.00 What's Up Down Under. 4.00 Pooches At Play. 4.30 Reel Action. 5.00 Fish. 5.30 JAG. 7.30 NCIS. 10.20 Blue Bloods. 11.15 NCIS: LA. 11.00am Star Trek: Discovery. 2.05 Late Programs.</p>

Monday, October 2

<p>ABC TV (2) 6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Landline. (R) 11.00 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Vera. (Mv, R) 2.30 The Cook And The Chef. (R) 3.00 Restoration Australia. (R) 3.55 Tenable. (R) 4.40 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)</p> <p>6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. A look at the top stories of the day. 7.30-7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. 8.00 Australian Story. Australians tell personal stories. 8.30 Four Corners. Investigative journalism program exposing scandals, triggering inquiries, firing debate and confronting taboos. 9.15 Media Watch. (PG) Paul Barry takes a look at the latest issues affecting media consumers. 9.35 Q+A. Public affairs program. 10.35 ABC Late News. 10.50 The Business. (R) 11.10 The Newsreader. (M, R) 12.05 Space 22. (Final, PG, R) 12.35 Our Brain. (PG, R) 1.35 Rage. (MA15+adhlinsv) 3.40 Tenable. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R)</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 DW English News. 6.30 ABC America This Week. 7.30 France 24 English News. 8.00 DD India Prime Time News. 9.00 Rugby League. Koori Knockout. 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R) Two contestants put their word ingenuity and numerical ability to the test. Hosted by Richard Morecroft.</p> <p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Finding Your Roots: Hollywood Royalty - Isabella Rossellini, Anjelica Houston, Mia Farrow. Hosted by Henry Louis Gates Jr. 8.30 MOVIE: Sheryl. (2022) Charts the life and career of American singer-songwriter Sheryl Crow. Sheryl Crow, Laura Dern, Bill Bottrell. 10.15 SBS World News Late. 10.45 My Brilliant Friend. (M) Elena goes on holiday with her friends. 11.55 The A Word. (Mal, R) 3.20 Italian Food Safari. (R) 3.55 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.25 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.</p>	<p>SEVEN (7, 6) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Love's Last Resort. (2017, PGa, R) Alix Angelis, Jesse Hutch, Thomas Beaudoin. 2.00 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 2.30 Border Security USA. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia.</p> <p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 7.30 My Kitchen Rules. (PGI) The heat is on as the teams try to secure their place in a final. 9.15 The Rookie. (Mav) The team investigates a pattern of kidnappings, which leads them to a discovery that hits close to home. 10.15 The Rookie: Feds. (Mdv) Simone uncovers a trail of bodies. 11.15 The Latest: Seven News. 11.45 Chicago Fire. (Ma) Firehouse 51 puts on a school fundraiser. 12.45 Kochie's Business Builders. (R) 1.00 [VIC] Home Shopping. 1.15 Travel Oz. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>NINE (9, 8) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: My Birthday Romance. (2020, PGa, R) Ali Cobrin, Jesse Hutch, Charles Cottier. 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 [VIC] Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 [VIC] WIN News.</p> <p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 The Block. (PGal) Hosted by Scott Cam. 9.00 Missing Persons Investigation. Detectives in Sydney launch a search for a tourist with life-threatening medical conditions. 10.00 The Trial Of Louise Woodward. (Mav) A look at the trial of Louise Woodward. 11.10 Nine News Late. 11.40 Resident Alien. (Mlmv, R) 12.30 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.30 World's Greatest Engineering Icons. (PG, R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>TEN (10, 5) 6.00 What's Up Down Under. (R) 6.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 7.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 GCBC. (R) 9.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.30 Bold. (PG, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGal, R) 2.00 To Be Advised. 3.15 Ent. Tonight. 3.30 Everyday Gourmet. 4.00 Bold. (PGa) 4.30 Neighbours. (PGa) 5.00 News.</p> <p>6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 The Masked Singer Australia. Another duel beckons as four more masks fight it out to stay secret for another week. 8.45 Have You Been Paying Attention? (Malns) Celebrity panellists compete to see who can remember the most about events of the week. 9.45 Inspired Unemployed (Impractical) Jokers. (Ma, R) Four Aussie mates set out to embarrass each other in a public setting by trying their hand at dentistry. 10.45 FBI: Most Wanted. (Mav, R) Barnes makes a life-changing decision. 11.40 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 12.35 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
<p>ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.05pm Karma's World. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Would I Lie To You? 8.30 Ningaloo Nyinggulu. 9.30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 10.20 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. 10.50 Enslaved. (Final) 11.50 Leaving Allen Street. 12.45am Escape From The City. 1.45 Ghosts. (Final) 2.15 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 2.35 Veneno. 3.35 ABC News Update. 3.40 Close. 5.00 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Small Business Secrets. 10.00 Shortland St. 12.05pm MOVIE: Vinyl Nation. (2020, M) 1.45 Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 1.55 The Inside Story. 2.30 Insight. 3.30 WorldWatch. 5.15 Counter Space. 5.45 Forged In Fire: Best Of. 6.35 Jeopardy! 7.30 8 Out Of 10 Cats. 8.30 Question Team. 9.20 The Change. 10.20 19th Asian Games. Asian Games. Athletics. 12.30am Late Programs.</p>	<p>7TWO (72, 62) 6am Morning Programs. 9.30 I Escaped To The Country. 10.30 Better Homes. 1pm Business Builders. 1.30 The Real Seachange. 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 My Greek Odyssey. 3.30 Coastwatch Oz. 4.00 Medical Emergency. 4.30 Better Homes. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Doc Martin. 8.30 Endeavour. 10.30 Air Crash Investigations. 11.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GEM (92, 81) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Skippy. 8.00 TV Shop. 9.30 Newstyle Direct. 10.00 Danoz. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless. 1.50 Explore. 2.00 Dr Quinn. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: The Captive Heart. (1946, PG) 5.30 The Travelling Auctioneers. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Death In Paradise. 8.40 Agatha Raisin. 10.40 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 PEACH (11, 52) 6am The Big Bang Theory. 8.00 The Middle. 10.00 Friends. Noon Charmed. 1.00 Friends. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 6.30 Neighbours. 7.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.30 Frasier. Midnight Home Shopping. 1.30 MOVIE: Sherlock Holmes 2: A Game Of Shadows. (2011, M) 4.00 Workaholics. 4.30 Home Shopping.</p>
<p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 7.15 The World According To Grandpa. 7.30 Waabiny Time. 7.55 Little J And Big Cuz. 8.05 Nanny Tuta. 8.10 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 8.35 Bushwhacked! 9.00 Rugby League. Koori Knockout. 5.30pm Going Places. 6.00 APTN National News. 6.30 News. 6.40 Arabian Inferno. 7.35 First Australians. 8.30 Living Black. 9.00 Two Laws. 11.25 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Flight Of The Navigator. (1986, PG) 7.40 Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014, PG, French) 9.15 Stolen Kisses. (1968, PG, French) 10.55 In My Country. (2004, M) 12.50pm Look At Me. (2018, M, Arabic) 2.40 Malcolm. (1986, PG) 4.15 A Hard Day's Night. (1964, PG) 5.50 Foxy Legends. (2006, PG) 7.30 Drunken Master. (1978, M, Cantonese) 9.35 Vanishing. (2021, Korean) 11.15 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7MATE (73, 64) 6am Morning Programs. 1pm Seven's Motorsport Classic. 1.30 Rides Down Under: Workshop Wars. 2.30 Motor Racing. Supercars C'ship. OTR SuperSprint. H'lights. 3.30 Motor Racing. Supercars C'ship. Sandown 500. H'lights. 4.30 Storage Wars: TX. 5.00 American Restoration. 5.30 American Pickers. 6.30 Pawn Stars. 7.00 Cricket. Women's T20. Aust v West Indies. 10.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GO! (93, 82) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Top Chef. 1.00 Starting Up, Starting Over. 2.00 Bewitched. 2.30 Full House. 3.00 MacGyver. 4.00 Family Ties. 4.30 The Addams Family. 5.00 Bewitched. 5.30 Dream Of Jeannie. 6.00 Raymond. 7.00 Young Sheldon. 7.30 RBT. 8.30 MOVIE: The Expendables. (2010, MA15+) 10.30 Young Sheldon. 11.00 Homeland. 12.05am Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 BOLD (12, 53) 6am Home Shopping. 8.00 Australia By Design: Architecture. 8.30 Pooches At Play. 9.00 Beyond The Fire. 9.30 Escape Fishing With ET. 10.30 JAG. 12.30pm In The Dark. 1.30 Bull. 2.30 Jake And The Fatman. 3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 5.30 JAG. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 NCIS. 10.20 Blue Bloods. 11.15 48 Hours. 12.15am Home Shopping. 2.15 Diagnosis Murder. 4.05 JAG.</p>

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Tuesday, October 3

<p>ABC TV (2) 6.00 News. 9.00 News. 10.00 Foreign Correspondent. (R) 10.30 Ask The Doctor. (R) 11.00 Becoming Frida Kahlo. (PGa, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) 2.00 Poh's Kitchen Lends A Hand. (R) 2.30 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (PG, R) 3.00 Restoration Australia. (PG, R) 3.55 Tenable. (R) 4.40 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)</p> <p>6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30-7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. 8.00 Kitchen Cabinet. (Final) Annabel Crabb meets Anika Wells. 8.30 Old People's Home For Teenagers. (Return, PG) A new set of teens and seniors come together for an intergenerational experiment. 9.30 Australia After War: Exit Wounds. (Mal) Part 1 of 4. 10.30 ABC Late News. 10.45 The Business. (R) 11.05 Four Corners. (R) 11.50 Media Watch. (PG, R) 12.10 Barrenjoey Road. (Mal, R) 1.10 Rage. (MA15+adhlinsv) 3.40 Tenable. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R)</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.15 Make Me A Dealer. (R) 10.05 Rick Steves' Europe. 11.10 The Last Overland: Singapore To London. (M, R) 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 How The Nazis Lost The War. (PGa, R) 2.55 I Am Emmanuel. (PGa, R) 3.15 Mastermind Aust. (R) 3.45 The Cook Up. (PG, R) 4.15 World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys. (R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)</p> <p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 The Point: Referendum Road Trip. A look at First Nations perspectives. 8.30 Insight. (R) Kumi Taguchi takes a look at the value of pets, with the public spending more on them than ever. 9.30 Dateline: Making A Militant. A look at a deadly militant group. 10.00 SBS World News Late. 10.30 Living Black: Western Australia's "Cultural Genocide". (R) 11.15 Blackport. (Mlv) 12.10 Darkness: Those Who Kill. (Mav, R) 3.50 Italian Food Safari. (R) 4.20 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.</p>	<p>SEVEN (7, 6) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 To Be Advised. 1.45 Surveillance Oz. (PG, R) 2.00 Border Security: America's Front Line. (PG, R) 2.30 Border Security USA. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia.</p> <p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 7.30 My Kitchen Rules. (Final, PG) It is down to the final two teams, who battle it out to prove they have what it takes to claim the \$100,000 prize. 9.30 Ambulance: Code Red. (Mav, R) Follows the work of an ambulance service, giving an insight into the life and death incidents they face. 10.30 The Latest: Seven News. 11.00 Chicago Fire. (Ma) A floater takes an interest in Violet. 12.00 The Arrangement. (Mas, R) Megan figures out her next step. [VIC] Home Shopping. 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>NINE (9, 8) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 The Block. (PGal, R) 1.30 Getaway. (PG, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 [VIC] Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 [VIC] WIN News.</p> <p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 The Block. (PGal) Hosted by Scott Cam. 8.45 Space Invaders. (PGal, R) Laura Byrne and Matty J, stars of <i>The Bachelor</i>, call in the team to help Laura's mum Kim. 9.45 Love Triangle. (Mls) The six original singles go on blind dates. 10.45 Nine News Late. 11.15 New Amsterdam. (MA15+amv, R) 12.10 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.00 Space Invaders. (PGal, R) 2.00 Good Chef Hunting. (PG, R) 2.30 Outdoors Indoors. 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>TEN (10, 5) 6.00 Morning Programs. 6.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 7.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.00 Bold. (PGa, R) 9.30 Neighbours. (PGa, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGal, R) 2.00 To Be Advised. 3.15 Ent. Tonight. 3.30 Everyday Gourmet. 4.00 Bold. (PGa) 4.30 Neighbours. (PGa) 5.00 News.</p> <p>6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 Shark Tank. (PGals) Sabri Suby, Dr Catriona Wallace, Davie Fogarty, Jane Lu and Robert Herjavec are shown inventions. 8.40 The Cheap Seats. (Mal) Presenters Melanie Bracewell and Tim McDonald take a look at the week that was. 9.40 NCIS. (Ma, R) When an NCIS agent turns up dead and Kasie is unaccounted for, the team must work quickly to find the killer. 10.30 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mdv, R) A marine corporal dies in a tide pool. 11.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
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A FLYING START

LOVE IS IN THE AIR
Streaming, Netflix



Sparks fly as singer-songwriter Delta Goodrem makes her return to onscreen acting in this unapologetically formulaic and phenomenally feelgood flight of fancy.

Goodrem plays Dana, a pilot devoted to her work with non-profit airline Fullerton Airways, which provides essential services to the local island communities near her picturesque Far North Queensland home. Her father Jeff (Roy Billing, *Jack Irish*) and best friend Nikki (Steph Tisdell) also work for the airline, but both have a much healthier work-life balance than our headstrong heroine, who is married to her job.

When straitlaced British businessman William Mitchell (Joshua Sasse, *Galavant*) arrives from London for an inspection (his father's company provides hefty subsidies that enable Fullerton to run), Dana welcomes him to the island community; unaware that William's real mission is to prepare the business for closure amid financial struggles.

However, William is soon won over by Dana, finding himself in an impossible position.

Shot on location in Airlie Beach, Whitsunday Airport and Lake Prosperpine, the incredible vistas that double for the town of Fullerton are breathtaking, it's easy to imagine even the most repressed of corporate types falling in love here.

Complete with a tropical cyclone, a literal emergency landing and plenty of figurative turbulence, this schmaltzy romantic comedy might just wing its way into your heart.

- Lauren Mitchell



Up and away: Joshua Sasse and Delta Goodrem star in Netflix rom-com *Love is in the Air*.



C*A*U*G*H*T
Streaming, Stan



A no-holds-barred comedy, this raunchy romp follows the fates of four Australian soldiers (Kick Gurry, Ben O'Toole, Alexander England and Lincoln Younes, pictured) sent on a mission to a wartorn island nation, where they are mistaken for Americans and captured. The quick-thinking foursome team up with their captors to film a viral hostage video.



GEN V
Streaming from Friday,
Prime Video



Set in the violent world of *The Boys*, this superhero spinoff follows the next generation as they're put through their paces at Godolkin University. Jaz Sinclair (pictured) stars as Marie, a "blood-bender" who aspires to be the first black woman in *The Seven*. When dark secrets come to light, she and her peers must decide what type of heroes they want to be.



FLORA AND SON
Streaming from Friday, Apple TV+



In the same vein as *Once* and *Sing Street*, this Irish musical drama hits all the right notes. Flora (Eve Hewson) is a young mother struggling to connect with her teenage son, Max (Orén Kinlan, pictured with Hewson). When Max rejects her gift of a second-hand guitar, Flora enrolls herself in online lessons with hunky muso Jeff (Joseph Gordon-Levitt).



THE LOVERS
Streaming, Foxtel On Demand



When Belfast supermarket worker Janet (Roisin Gallagher) met Seamus (Johnny Flynn, pictured with Gallagher), sparks flew. Trouble is, he has a girlfriend. Four episodes into this unconventional rom-com, and their affair is finally on - with a few restrictions: it can only happen in Belfast and they can't fall in love. At least one of their rules is about to be broken.



ADAM HILLS: GROW ANOTHER FOOT Paramount+
Streaming from Friday, Paramount+

A passionate advocate for disability in sport, Adam Hills (pictured) is intent on levelling the playing field for athletes. In this inspiring doco, the comedian fulfils a lifelong dream by playing rugby at an international level. However, as the inaugural Physical Disability Rugby League World Cup draws closer, Hills is unsure whether to represent England or Australia.



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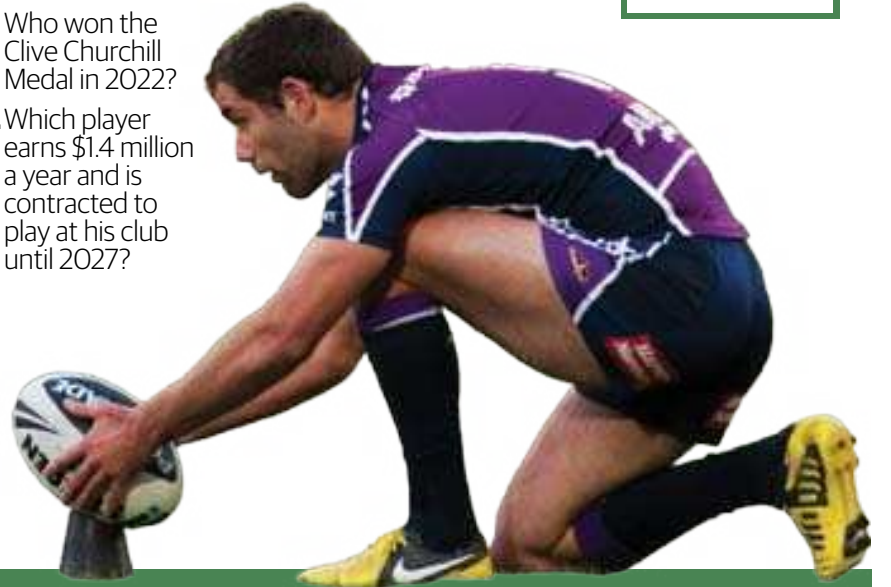
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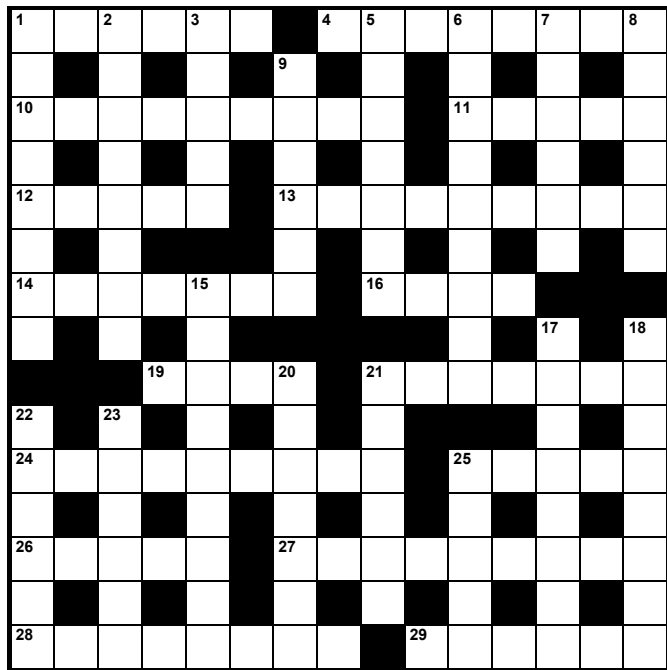
- Which year was the first NRL Grand Final held?
- Who received the 2022 Dally M Medal?
- Since 1999, which stadium has almost exclusively hosted the Grand Final?
- And until which year is the Grand Final planned to be held there?
- Cameron Smith (pictured) has won how many premierships?
- How many times has the Grand Final been held in Brisbane?
- What is the name of the trophy awarded to the Grand Final winners?
- Who was the first recipient of the Clive Churchill Medal?
- And how many players have been awarded the Clive Churchill Medal more than once?
- Since 2015, which company has made the premiership rings given to the winning players and coach?
- How much prize money is awarded to the winning club?
- Which two currently competing clubs have yet to participate in a Grand Final?
- In 2010, which club was stripped of previous wins due to salary cap breaches?
- The club that wins the Grand Final goes on to play which event?
- And which club has won that event the most times?
- In the 2023 season, who was the leading try scorer?
- And which club do they play for?
- Coaching since 1987, who is the longest serving NRL coach?
- Which current player has played the most NRL games?
- In 1920, Frank Burge scored the most tries in a single game: how many did he score?
- Which current player has scored five tries in a game twice?
- Formed in 1908, which NRL team is the oldest in the league?
- Which musician headlined the 2022 NRL Grand Final show?
- In which year was the Grand Final held in August?
- At the 1999 Grand Final, which set a world record for the most attended rugby game in the world, who did Melbourne Storm beat by two points?
- How recently did a team score zero points in a Grand Final?
- Who won the Clive Churchill Medal in 2022?
- Which player earns \$1.4 million a year and is contracted to play at his club until 2027?
- Which team has only made the Grand Final twice, but has won both times?
- Which team has most recently won back-to-back premierships?

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20-29 Nice Try!
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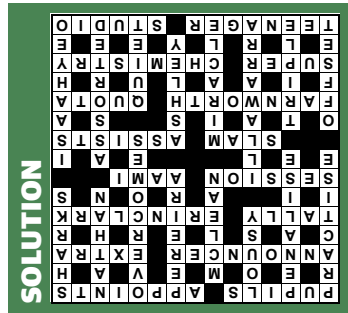
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CROSSWORD



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 - New Zealand-born Gold Coast Titans player (4,5)
 - Congressional gathering (7)
 - Melbourne Storm home stadium, - Park (4)
 - Easy win, - dunk (4)
 - Tracked stats, try - (7)
 - Brisbane Broncos centre, Herbie - (9)
 - Portion (5)
 - NRL fantasy football competition, - Coach (5)
 - Branch of science (9)
 - Adolescent (8)
 - Workroom (6)

- DOWN**
- Train (8)
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 - Winger, Alofiana Khan - - (7)
 - Defeats (9)
 - 2021 Clive Churchill Medal winner, - Cleary (6)
 - Cronulla-Sutherland club nickname (6)
 - North Queensland Cowboys prop, Jordan - (6)
 - Former club, - Steelers (9)
 - Miscellaneous (8)
 - Penrith Panthers co-captain (5,3)
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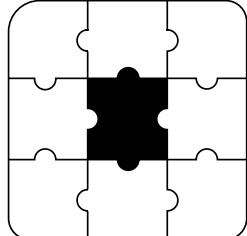


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SECRET MESSAGE: Do you know what they say about rugby? Rugby is a hooligans game played by gentlemen.

EDGEWORD

Place each of the tiles of letters into the blank jigsaw below to create four six-letter words going across and down.



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ANSWERS: FACIAL, ALLUDE, ONSIDE, FALCON

JUMBLE

Can you unscramble the words below? The circled letters will create another word.

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SOLUTION: Break, Field, Crash, Dummy, Wings (SCRAMBLE)

WORD STEP

PLANE
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GREYS

SOLUTION: Plane, Plains, Plays, Preys, Greys



Mercy Ioelu shows a steady hand for the B Grade Magpies. 362383



Bec Potalej cheers on her Narre Warren B Grade teammates. 362383



Delainey Brown shows her class for the Magpies. 362377



Holly Van de Loop steps out of the shadows for the Narre C Grade team. 362384

Lower grades whitewash

By David Nagel

B GRADE

An electrifying first-quarter blitz has propelled Narre Warren to a 43-39 victory over a brave Mt Evelyn in the Outer East B Grade grand final at Officer.

The Magpies came out of the blocks humming, with Tamari Waqanisau (C), skipper Kate Dowling (WA) and Bec Potalej (WD) providing a stack of drive through the midcourt, allowing goalers Mercy Ioelu (GS) and Piuti Laban (GA) to do their thing.

Laban was in particularly good touch in the opening term, scoring 11 goals as the Magpies raced out to a 15-6 lead at quarter time.

Coach Michelle Mashado could not have asked for more from her Magpie brigade, but was brought back down to earth after the Rovers returned fire in the second stanza.

Rebecca Hincksman (GS) became an unstoppable force for the Rovers, scoring all 12 goals for the quarter...as the lead was cut from nine to six at the half-way interval.

Narre Warren steadied in the third quarter, with Lupe Fonua (GK) and Corrina Emery (GD) combining well at the defensive end of the court, not allowing Rovers' shooters Caitlin Hoskin (GS) and Salena Johnson (GA) any space at all.

The Magpies took a 34-27 lead into the final quarter of the season, and despite a brave rally from the Rovers held on to give Mashado multiple premierships on the day.

Michelle also guided the Narre Warren 17-Under team to the flag.

In a unique circumstance, Fonua was named best on court, after earning the same award in the 17-under win over Seville.

Michelle Mashado might owe Lupe an ice-cold soft drink or two!

C GRADE

The best may have been saved for last in Outer East netball this season with Narre Warren producing a miracle comeback to win the C Grade premiership over Olinda Ferny Creek.

The Bloods were the better team for three quarters, leading 26-22 at the final change, before the Magpies ran rampant in the last quarter on their way to a 34-31 triumph.

Olinda Ferny Creek had great drive through the midcourt with Keira Maher, Dana Millwood and Natalia Moraitis matching motors with the Magpies' engine-room of Ruby Dwyer, Ashleigh Hammond and Hannah Blair.

The Bloods won the first three quarters by one, one and two, to set up a 26-22 advantage at the final break.

But the Magpies produced a barnstorming finish, with Alyssa Hunter (GS) scoring eight of her teams 12 goals in the final term, while the switch of Dwyer from centre to goal attack made all the difference in the dying stages.

The Magpies were simply unstoppable with Mackenzie Morrison (GK), Asia Tuiloma (GD) and Rylee Thomas (WD) defending brilliantly to restrict the Bloods to just five goals in the final stanza.

Dwyer was a deserving winner of the best-on-court medal, providing drive through the midcourt before becoming a creative threat late in the contest.

D GRADE

Narre Warren's whitewash of the four senior



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It's party time for the Narre Warren C Grade team. 362384

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Alexandra Stephenson, Lupe Fonua and Verona Kaitani celebrate Narre Warren's B Grade win. 362383



Olinda Ferny Creek wing attack Sarah Kennedy struts her stuff in D Grade. 362377



Ruby Dwyer shows the style that claimed best on court in C Grade. 362384



Savannah Stodal on her way to 23 goals for Narre Warren in D Grade. 362377

premierships on offer on grand final day began with its D Grade team scoring a 32-23 victory over Olinda Ferny Creek.

The Magpies were challenged early, trailing 4-5 at quarter time, with Rebecca Allen (GK) and Rianne Fraser (GD) defending the circle with great intent for the Bloods.

But the second quarter was where the game was won and lost, with the Magpies taking the momentum with a 10-5 term heading in to half time.

Savannah Stodal (GS) stood tall for the Magpies, scoring seven goals alone in the second term, capitalising on some great set-up play from the likes of Delainey Brown (C), Brooke Stanton (WA), Scarlett Trotter (WD) and Sarah

Jacobson (GA).

Leading 14-10 at the half, the Magpies then put the foot down even harder, crushing the Bloods' hopes with a 9-5 third stanza.

It gave the Magpies a 23-15 advantage at the final break...enough to cruise home to premiership glory.

Stodal was superb for the Magpies, scoring 21 of her 23 goals after quarter time, while Olivia Brinkmann (GK) and Kaylee McCubbin (GD) were super-effective in the defensive circle.

Brown won the best on court medal after a great game for the Magpies through the mid-court.



Narre Warren 15-under captain Teale Utber reaches out for a pass. 362379



ROC 13-under captain Raegan Ruddick and coach Laura Quinn. 362378



Seville's Sienna De La Sota sets up the play in the 17-under grand final. 362380

Quick quarter sinks Blues

By David Nagel

17 UNDER

The third quarter is called the 'premiership quarter' for a reason and Narre Warren can thank a dominant performance after half time for its 33-28 triumph over Seville.

The 17-under grand final could have gone either way at quarter time, with scores locked at 8-8 and both teams playing some very exciting netball.

Seville skipper Keeley Thompson (GD) was playing a great game in defence, while Asia Tuiloma (GK) and Lupe Fonua (GD) were making life difficult for the Seville goalers as well.

Seville took the lead in the second quarter thanks to some great play from Sienna De La Sota (C) and Clementine Nicholas (WD) through the midcourt, while Hayley Ray (GS) was also important as the Blues took an 18-15 lead to half time.

But the Magpies would then play an unbelievable third quarter to take control of the contest.

Fonua and Tuiloma allowed just two goals in for the quarter, as the Magpies' midcourt brigade of Ruby Dwyer (C), Taylah Lonza (WA) and Tamari Waqanisau (WD) started to dictate terms.

The Magpies would outscore the Blues 9-2 in the third stanza to take a 24-20 lead into the final term.

Millie Barrientos (GS) was a key figure for the Magpies, scoring seven goals in the last, and 22 for the match, to guide her team to victory.

Fonua won the best-on-court medal, an achievement she would later duplicate in B Grade.

15 UNDER

Narre Warren was jumping for joy on Saturday morning after its 15-under team laid the platform for a day of dominance at Officer with a fast-finishing 38-28 victory over ROC.

This would be the first of six-consecutive premierships for the Magpies, who won every contest from 15-under right through to A Grade.

But the first triumph of the day would not come easy, with ROC matching motors with Narre in the early stages.

The scores were locked at 10-10 after a high-quality opening exchange, with the Magpies gaining a narrow two-goal advantage at



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ROC 13-under defenders Charlie O'Connor and Amelia Pryor do battle with Narre's Lacey McCann and Audrey Raja. 362378

half time.

Skipper Teale Utber switched from wing attack to centre at the start of the second term, and her injection into the pivot turned the tide the Magpies' way.

The Magpies built their two-goal lead to three at the final break, and broke the Kangaroos spirit with a strong start to the last quarter.

Goaler Alomao Siala (GS) netted 10 of her team's 12 goals as the Magpies raced away with a 12-6 final term to race away with the cup.

Meka Simmons (WA) and Alexandra Lucas (WD) were strong through the midcourt for the Magpies, while Utber won the best-on-court medal for her great play in centre.

Katie Strickland (C), Olive Henry (GA) and Keeley Hardy (GD) were solid performers for ROC.

13 UNDER

They say the early bird catches the worm, but it took ROC two quarters to hit its straps in the opening contest on grand final day at Starling Road on Saturday.

The Kangaroos finished top of the ladder in the 13-Under competition and took grand final favouritism after a strong win in the second semi-final two weeks earlier.

But, after two quarters of the grand final, the Kangaroos looked set for a disappointing result to end their season.

It's great credit to the Kangaroos that they would finally hit top gear, resulting in a 31-26 triumph that would appear pretty comfortable on paper...but it was anything but!

The Magpies came to play, leading 9-7 at quarter time with Tahlia Leary (GK) and Isabel McCarthy (GD) giving nothing away at the defensive end of the court.

The Magpies continued to apply pressure, and when the lead extended to 16-12 at half time the top-team looked in trouble.

But the turnaround was swift and impressive, with the Kangaroos turning that four-goal deficit into a one-goal advantage at three-quarter time after a 9-4 third-quarter effort.

The ROC defence became impenetrable, with Charlie O'Connor (GK) and Amelia Pryor



Mia Williams, Makayla Fleiner and Teale Utber come together after Narre Warren's 15-under win. 362379

(GD) shutting the Magpies down in the third stanza.

At the opposite end of the court, Mack Van Duyl (GS) hit her straps, scoring seven goals in the third quarter and another seven in the last to launch the Kangaroos to victory.

Despite being on the losing team, Leary was awarded the best-on-court medal for her outstanding defensive performance.

Teammates now opponents as high-level journey begins

By Marcus Uhe

Saturday's Outer East Under 13 Blue Netball grand final featured a pair of rising Victorian netball stars at both ends of the court.

Fresh off a week in Perth for the School Sport Australia Netball championships as members of the successful Victorian 12 Years and Under squad, Tahlia Leary and Amelia Pryor took to the court for Narre Warren and ROC respectively.

The pair held down the defensive goal circle for Victoria in the national championships as their team went undefeated in the 14-game round robin competition to claim

the national prize between 10-15 September, before going head-to-head at Officer Recreation Reserve.

The two never crossed paths on the court, with both playing defensive positions for their team, as Pryor's ROC claimed the win 31-26.

But Leary did not walk-away empty handed, judged the best player on the court in the loss.

It culminated a big week for Leary, the captain of her Narre Warren side, who won the league best and fairest on Wednesday 20 September with 23 votes, three ahead of Pryor in second place on 20 votes.



ROC's Amelia Pryor (left) and Narre Warren's Tahlia Leary played together for Victoria at the recent School Sport Australia Netball championships. 362378 Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS



13 Under premiers ROC; Back row; Amelia Pryor, Laura Quinn (coach), Raegan Ruddick (captain), Mia Spencer, Macy Van Duyl and Charlie O'Connor. Front row; Stephanie Bowes, Winny Henry, Jessica Linden, Olivia Kaye and Charli Maher. 362378



15 Under premiers Narre Warren; Back row; Alomao Siala, Mia Williams, Isabel McCarthy, Teale Utber (captain), Jemma Osborne (coach), Miracle Leau and Makayla Fleiner. Front row; Kayley McPartlane, Meka Simmons, Alex Lucas and Isla Armstrong. 362379



Best on court, 13 Under; Tahlia Leary - Narre Warren. 362842

Gazette photographers **ROB CAREW** (Football) and **STEWART CHAMBERS** (Netball) were on hand to capture all the glory of the premiership dais at the Outer East Grand Final at Officer on Saturday.

The glory of grand finals



Best on ground, Reserves: Matthew Butera – Narre Warren. 362381



Senior Premiers Wandin; Connor Smith, Aaron Mullett, John Ladner, Daniel Hirst, Thomas Hinds (co-captain), Cole Steiner, Chayce Black, Tom Merlino, Harrison van Duuren, Clinton Johnson, Brodie Atkins, Cody Hirst, Patty Bruzzese (co-captain), Samuel Hodgett, Damien Furey, Joel Garner, Harrison Byrne, Jordan Spencer, Jordan Jaworski, Todd Garner, Leiwyn Jones, Patrick Hodgett and coach Nick Adam, Inset: BOG; Cody Hirst. 362842



Best on ground, Under 19s: Daniel Toner – Narre Warren. 362386



Under 19 Premiers Narre Warren; Liam Spinks, Sam Toner, Hayden Wynd, Logan Hiscock, Sam Wellwood, Jacob Mutimer (captain), Alex Dawson, Aaron Thomas, Mitch Toner, Brice L'etang, Harrison Kristalyn, Brody Thomas, Jayden Bryan, Patrick Manno, Tarkyn Longley-Pakeman, Nikolas Paleokastritis, Mitchell Scriven, Daniel Toner, Sebastian Mangano, Riley Curran, Connor Dowsett, Louis Parker, Joshua Sherlock, Jordan Butera, Luca Pascuzzi, Ben Raines, Jimmy Dwyer, Mikki Nunziante-Sweeney, Tiaan Pereira and coach Mark Christiansen. 362386



Best on court, 15 Under; Teale Utber – Narre Warren. 362379



Reserves Premiers Narre Warren; Jett Kearney, Bailey Howarth, Nicholas Mashado, Nathan Power, Matthew Whitehead, Riley Allan, Matthew Butera, Aaron Crichton, Benjamin Forbes, Ethan French, Matthew Gentile, Kye Howarth, Jake Maxwell-Hough, Bailey Mayworm, Grant Mitchell, Alexander Nunziante-Sweeney, Ryan Patterson (captain), Nathan Power, Thomas Russell, Brayden Sharp, Connor Wilkins, Kyle Wing and coach Jamie Brown. 362387



A Grade Premiers Narre Warren; Back row; Erin Bell (coach), Gabrielle Dwyer, Taylah Jencke, Chelsea Tonna, Clare Vearing, Jemma Osborne and Anasis Tupuailei. Front; Brittany Mashado (captain), Maddie Maund, Abbey Barrientos and Soph Hennessey. 362381



Best on court, A Grade; Gabrielle Dwyer – Narre Warren. 362381



Best on court, B Grade and 17 Under; Lupe Fonua - Narre Warren. 362383



Best on court, C Grade; Ruby Dwyer – Narre Warren. 362381



Best on court, D Grade; Delainey Brown - Narre Warren. 362377



Best on court, 17 Under; Lupe Fonua – Narre Warren. 362380



B Grade Premiers Narre Warren; Back row; Tahlia Emery, Piuti Laban, Verona Kaitani, Mercy Loelu, Corrina Emery, Michelle Mashado (coach) and Tamari Waqanisau. Front row; Alexandra Stephenson, Kate Dowling, Tara Heinze, Bec Potalej and Lupe Fonua. 362383



C Grade Premiers Narre Warren; Back row; Kimberley Mashado, Asia Tuiloma, Alyssa Hunter, Ashleigh Stephenson, Mackenzie Morrison, Holly Van de Loop, Alomao Siala, Tylah Sherritt and Ruby Dwyer. Front row; Ashleigh Hammond, Rylee Thomas, Hannah Blair and Jayde Mashado. 362384



D Grade premiers Narre Warren; Left to right Kaylee McCubbin, Savannah Stodal, Courtney Siwes, Delainey Brown, Brooke Stanton, Olivia Brinkmann, Katrina Skaliaris, Sarah Jacobson, Ruby Mosbey, Kealeigh Brown and Scarlett Trotter. 362377



17 Under premiers Narre Warren; Back row; Caitlyn Bell, Taylah Lonza, Jessie Prvulj, Lupe Fonua, Grace Loelu, Michelle Mashado (coach), Asia Tuiloma and Nefarah Loelu. Front row; Ruby Dwyer, Millie Barrientos and Tamari Waqanisau (captain). 362380



Cranbourne supporters brandishing paraphernalia to cheer their team on.



President Patrick Noonan with his wife Mary after becoming just the third 'Legend' of the Nar Nar Goon Football Club. 363288 Picture: SUPPLIED



West Gippsland legend Bob Utber was at Officer on Saturday supporting his granddaughter Teale, who won the best-on-court medal in Narre Warren's 15-under premiership win over ROC. The trip down from Mildura was well worth it, Bob. 362379 Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS

Shhhh...Collo's the coach



The worst-kept secret in footy is out with WARRAGUL INDUSTRIALS announcing earlier this week that TRARALGON premiership coach Mark Collison will take over from Harmit Singh in the senior coaching role at Western Park. Collison still has some good footy left ahead of him after finishing sixth in the GIPPSLAND League best and fairest this year. A six-time best and fairest winner, two-time premiership player and Team of the Year member on seven occasions, Collison adds a touch of class to the Dusties. Those that have played alongside him, and have been coached by Collison, describe him as an outstanding communicator that gets the best out of his teammates.

Congratulations on a stellar career to CASEY DEMONS star Jimmy Munro, who has announced as a full-time player and co-coach at CORA LYNN in 2024, bringing a close to his state-league career. The loved team-man at the Dees managed 156 games, two league team-of-the-year selections and three best-and-fairests to go with his flag last season. The Cobras have picked up a gun!

Century goal-kicker Nathan Gardiner and stalwart ruck Billy Thomas have tied for the best and fairest award at CORA LYNN. Nathan Villela was runner up, with Tristan Warkuss (Most Determined) and Jett Edwards (Young Gun Award) also recognised for their outstanding seasons. Not surprisingly, Gardiner won the Best Offensive Player Award, while fellow Team of the Year member Lachlyn Peluso was Best Defensive Player.

While on CORA LYNN, the Cobras will be without half-forward Jai Rout in 2024 after the exciting talent signed with his junior club PAKENHAM this week. Rout played footy in Western Australia, while he was over there for work, and has played his football at the Cobradome since returning. Rout will add real excitement to the Lions' front half, and is capable of kicking an extraordinary goal or two. There's still no news on the Lions' senior coaching position, with incumbent Ash Green still in the hunt. A former AFL player, who played in the WGFNC this year, has been interviewed by the Lions over the last couple of weeks.

NAR NAR GOON skipper Trent Armour has taken out the club's senior best and fairest award, from runner-up JJ Peni. Other award winners were Jed Smith (Most Consistent), Nate Picicelli (Most Determined), Jed Murphy (Most Improved), Jake Smith (Coaches Award) and Aidan Picicelli (Best Finals Player). The Goon also inducted four life members on the night, with Shannon Stocco, Scott Murphy, Cec Andrews and Leo Kennelly all now with gold letters on the honour board at Spencer Street.



Traralgon premiership coach Mark Collison will coach Warragul Industrials in 2024. 363289 Picture: SUPPLIED

While at NAR NAR GOON, a fitting honour has been bestowed on football club president Patrick Noonan, who has become just the third 'Legend' of the club, joining legendary figures Bill 'Doc' Doherty and Ray Coombs on the most exclusive list at Spencer Street. The club posted this fitting tribute on social media. "We recognise and thank you for your unwavering passion and commitment to the club over the last 40 years. As a player, captain, coach, trainer, goal umpire, executive committee member, league representative, and key driver of ground and building improvements...your time, dedication and contributions will be remembered forever. Congratulations and thank you Patty." Well said...and congratulations Patrick, one of the great figures in community sport!

The SOUTHERN FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE put on an excellent grand final on Saturday, but there was a farcical moment after Shaun Keenan dished the first goal of the game. The post-goal music continued playing for several minutes after play had resumed leaving some in the crowd bemused. For those wondering, the song of choice was Imagine Dragons' Believer - perhaps a prophecy for Cheltenham to remain in the hunt?

Congratulations to the following local players who all polled well in the Coates League best-and-fairest count, conducted virtually last

Wednesday night: GIPPSLAND's Ash Centra and Zane Duursma finished fourth in the girls and boys counts respectively, with 12 and 14 votes. A strong start to the season had DAN-DENONG's Billy Wilson in the top three after 10 rounds.

And a shout out to those who were selected in Coates League Team of the Year: quick defender Billy Wilson was named in the back pocket, Zane Duursma named at half-forward and left-footer Harry DeMattia named on the interchange for the boys. In the girl's competition, Ash Centra and Stingrays key forward Sophie Butterworth were named in attack, while Mikayla Williamson was named in the midfield.

It was great to see NARRE WARREN defender Ryan Patterson on the premiership dais on Saturday as captain of the Magpies' victorious reserves side. Patterson played 15 of a possible 16 games in the seniors in 2023 before being squeezed out of the side before the semi-final against WANDIN, but got some due reward in the form of a reserves' premiership.

It sounds like OFFICER has been busy on the recruiting front, with a focus on bringing players from higher divisions and competitors to the club for 2024 to play under Daniel Charles. The Kangaroos struggled to beat



Commentator Aidan Miller called the A Grade netball and senior football grand finals on Saturday. 362390 Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS



Bessie Henry was at Officer with her dad Steve O'Loughlin. 362390



A 'record' crowd packed out RSEA Park. More than 3500 came through the gates.

the sides above them on the ladder in 2023 but some key additions will be expected to make a world of difference in a push to return to premier division.

On OFFICER, a massive congratulations on hosting a sensational Outer East premier division grand final day on Saturday. Starling Road was blessed with bright sunshine and it was fantastic to see so many volunteers playing any number of roles, from cooking the BBQ, to serving drinks and everything in-between, while the playing surface was in immaculate condition for an important day of football.

It seems WANDIN duly left an impression on those in the outer at OFFICER not familiar with the Bulldogs' operation. Rival club committee members, who shall remain nameless, were doing the sums in their head and calling club representatives with names and numbers in the hope of luring stars away from the kennel in 2024. After the success of Saturday, however, good luck!

For those wondering why the Outer East A Grade grand final kicked off at 12.10pm on Saturday...we think we have the answer. It's so the Outer East commentary team, spearheaded by Aidan Miller, can call the A Grade netball and senior football games on the same day.

Young Rays show upside

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Talent League boys side Dandenong Stingrays played a brand of footy that allowed a bevy of draft prospects to show their weapons and enabled new names to shine.

Co-captain Harry DeMattia used a strong preseason to launch into 2023 and lead the Stingrays from the front, playing his best footy as a powerful clearance midfielder.

Billy Wilson was earmarked as a player to watch from January and he delivered, playing a part in the national championships and showing off his acceleration to earn himself a state combine invite.

Kade De La Rue also showed upside, bankable throughout the national championships, clean and strong off half-forward for the Stingrays.

Cooper Simpson was excellent between some injuries in 2023, and Kobe Shipp used late season games to prove his strength over the footy and aerially.

"The great thing about our back end to the season is that Kobe Shipp, Ben Hopkins, Riak Andrew, Billy Wilson, Cooper Simpson, Harry were exceptional: all our possible draftables finished strongly," coach Nick Cox said.

"I think Kobe's last three weeks let everyone know his intercept marking and ability to get the ball back in hand is probably the best in the competition when he gets it right."

This season also saw overlap defender Ben Hopkins emerge, with his stability playing a key role, while Jacob Grant's rise from Division 3 of the Southern Football Netball League to Vic Country was an ode to the program.

"The rapidness is very genuine" Cox said of Hopkins.

"He's very raw.

"He was always someone we tracked in local footy and watched closely.

"I remember the first game against Geelong at Colac, and when you watch the tape, he had 12 touches in the last quarter and it showed he wasn't a player who was going to give up when things got tough.

"He had some jobs through the year, including on (Zane) Duursma a little bit and held his own.

"He just got the understanding of the level, and got better, which is what good players do.

"I think what we also have to commend is that in doing exit interviews, every player so far is giving us really positive feedback on how



Tom Payne is one who could get a VFL opportunity. 344545

Pictures: GARY SISSONS



Harry Doughton showed plenty as a forward in 2023.

they've enjoyed it, got better and grown from the experience."

From a team point-of-view, the 'Rays bowed out in wildcard round, unable to find their best footy for long enough stretches in 2023 despite giving plenty of bottom-aged players exposure last season.

Dandenong's wins over GWV in round 4 and Murray in round 16 were highlights as the boys played with freedom and confidence, moving the ball boldly and owning the corridor.

The last quarter comeback from the clouds against Oakleigh was another dramatic point of 2023.

"We probably never got going and then

in the (last round of the home and away season against) Tasmania and (final against) Gippsland lacked a little bit of finishing," Cox said.

"We controlled both games for periods of time but didn't execute well enough, which made a difference.

"At the start of the year, we had a little bit of talent but were a bit unknown and maybe to achieve a little bit further in the finals would have been nice.

"But at the same time, we're still going to have very good representation at the draft."

Competitor Matt Nelson leads a contingent the club are hoping can join Ziggy Toledo-

Glasman on a VFL list in 2024.

Jacob Noble, Jack Wilson, Sam Frangalas, Jacob Noble, Hudson Rigg, Tom Payne and Miller Stewart are others who could get state league opportunities that will exit the program.

Midfielders Harvey Langford and Cooper Hynes, key-position-player Noah Mraz and pressure forward Harry Doughton lead the 2024 draft contingent.

St Kilda father-son prospect Elwood Peckett will also feature, while Noah Hibbins-Hargreaves headlines the 2025 prospects hungry for a look in.

Individuals develop in strong season for Gippsland

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Eight wins and at least five boys firmly in draft contention, as well as Ryan Maric picked up in the mid-season draft, represents a strong season for Gippsland Power in the Coates Talent League.

One of those wins came over Dandenong in a pressure-cooker final, and they were able to back it up with a strong performance over Tasmania in a tight quarter-final loss.

"It played out how it always does for the country clubs," Talent Lead Scott McDougal said.

"We don't have a lot of contact hours early so it takes a little bit of time for our boys to adjust to the cut and thrust of Coates Talent League footy, and through the middle part of the year we lost the top-end talent to play in the national championships, which is awesome."

Zane Duursma, Archer Reid, Lachie Smith and Wil Dawson playing at Vic Country allowed for the emergence of dashing defender Tew Jiath, invited to the state combine.

The brother of Hawthorn's Changkuoth played what McDougal described as a 'game for the ages' in the second last game of the season against Dandenong, amassing 29 disposals, 13 rebound 50s and six tackles, reading the game well.

It was the highlight in a 10-game stretch where he averaged 18 disposals as a bold game-changer to rocket him up draft boards.

Young Tooradin-Dalmore key defender Jehi Esler was another who grasped his op-



Tew Jiath emerged late in the season. 344545

Picture: GARY SISSONS

portunity in the second half of the season, cementing a spot in the lineup.

The bottom-aged player with senior footy experience for the Seagulls played eight games, and sits alongside Xavier Lindsay, Max Donohue, Ricky Mentha and Jasper Alger as 2024 prospects who have had a taste of Talent League footy.

"The boys have had an opportunity to win a really good final against Dandenong, which

was high-level footy on a hot day and really showcased their ability to grind out a win," McDougal said.

"Against Tassie, a bit of luck our way and we would've played Eastern who we beat in-season. "You live and breathe by moments in footy and you can't look back, you can only look forward.

"At the start of the year, we had only two kids recognised as live draft chances; through-

out the year we've had Ryan Maric go number one (in the mid-season rookie draft) and there's high-level interest in another couple of kids, so from our point-of-view it's a tick for the season."

Smith and Dawson were big risers in 2023, with Smith averaging 17 disposals and 19 hitouts for Gippsland, in between taking the number-one ruck mantle for Vic Country.

After starting the season as a forward and relieving ruck, Dawson was moved into the backline when he was identified as a player who could plug a defensive hole.

"In-house we had some really high hopes for Wil preseason," McDougal said.

"He's a kid who grew really late.

"He was playing on-ball two years ago.

"He had huge growth added to what he is, but he was still leading our tackles halfway through the year as a key forward.

"We thought that his natural ability to compete would hold him in good stead as a tall defender."

Mild interest remains in the lively Tom Hanily, who generated plenty of scoring opportunities in the quarter-final loss, but had his season stymied by injury and school footy.

If not selected, Hanily is a player who could return as a 19-year-old to target the 2024 mid-season rookie draft.

His other option is to seek a VFL contract, an opportunity that is also expected to present for skipper and small forward Seb Amoroso, midfielder Lane Ward and 19-year-old Liam Serong.

Untimely outs halt Doves

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Injuries were the stench that Southern Football Netball League Division 2 club Doveton couldn't rinse in 2023.

Going one better than last season felt a tall task from preseason, when East Brighton recruited well, which ultimately propelled it to a comfortable premiership victory.

But Doveton welcomed back a series of old faces, with the hope they could be managed through the home-and-away season, before being unleashed in finals.

The old band was back together in the preliminary final, with Michael Henry, Will Smith and Matt Stapleton all following skipper Shannon Henwood out for combat against Murrumbena.

But that core group made for an old demographic in 2023, which came back to bite them as players missing games caused a lack of continuity.

The Doves would go on to lose that game comfortably, with the four injuries suffered in the first half symbolic of the way the season panned out under outgoing coach Michael Cardamone.

"I still feel like our best was good enough we just unfortunately fell short," Cardamone said.

"You live and die by the sword and unfortunately we probably weren't fit and healthy enough at the right time of the year.

"We rushed them back for the finals and we were pretty close to fully fit on paper – we probably had two missing from our best side every week – but they probably weren't as fit or healthy as they needed to be playing finals football.

"The injury toll was tough but that's just how the cookie crumbles.

"We definitely didn't hit our best football in 2023.

"I believe the best football we played was in the qualifying final and elimination final last year where we hit our straps.

"Everything clicked and we played really well.

"The squad we put out on the day this year was still generally good enough to get the job done, but when you're coming up against your East Brightons and Murrumbenas and you've got four or five missing every week, it becomes a lot tougher.

"You start relying on a few experienced guys too much and eventually after 18 rounds, your body starts to get tired."

Doveton won just one of its first four games of 2023 before going on a seven-game winning streak which contained a victory over premiers East Brighton, the Vampires only loss of the season.

It was unsurprising that Chapman's return



Ricky Johnson's rise was a big takeaway from 2023 for Doveton. 359438

Picture: ROB CAREW

in round 5 coincided with the turnaround of form, but he finished the season banged up as sides targeted the Doveton barometer.

The club had planned to use him in tandem with another ruck this season, which would also have aided the small forward-line, but various reasons prevented that from ever materialising.

Another unforeseen issue which plagued the club this season was Robinson Reserve being out-of-action all season, which became a

major discussion point early in the season.

The rise of Ricky Johnson and Brodie Howie were two major positives for a club lacking a junior program to help organic rejuvenation.

Johnson finished second in the league best and fairest count, building on the platform he provided himself last year after a big preseason, and Howie's first season of senior footy justified the hype that he could be a long-term player.

A tough midfield had sides preparing for a bruising contest when they came up against Doveton, but it at times lacked speed.

As well as a quick midfielder, the Doves will be on the hunt for a full forward, lacking a bail-out option down the line or key target inside 50 this season, which put too much pressure on goal-sneak Cam Williamson.

After having eight mainstays who averaged more than a goal a game in 2022, the Doves had just four in 2023.

Cardamone content after two-year stint with Doveton

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Outgoing Doveton coach Michael Cardamone is satisfied with his stint at the Southern Football Netball League Division 2 club.

Cardamone was at the helm for two seasons, guiding the club to a grand final loss as player-coach in 2022, and backing it up with a preliminary final appearance in 2023.

Also playing as a small forward last season, he contributed 53 goals, which had him second in the league goalkicking.

He says he walks out of the club a better person, ready for the next challenge.

"I felt it was a successful stint there and I've left the club in better hands than before I took over, so I'm happy with that and I wish them all the best," Cardamone said.

"Some ideas and plans I put in place, especially for the young kids coming through I believe set a good culture there: it's a place you want to play your football.

"It's up to the next coach to continue with those standards.

"I'm a passionate guy, I left no stone unturned, I continued striving for success and I'll continue to do that wherever the next club is.

"That's all I could do at the club, I'm proud of the effort, they're a good club."

Speaking about the change from being a player-coach to sideline coach, he said:

"You learn a lot more, you see the game a lot clearer, you've got to make moves on the spot," he said.

"I believe when I was coaching on the bench, I was being quicker to make moves – instead of being reactive, I was proactive to keep us ahead of the game.

"I think of times where if I was playing, I might have been a bit late.

"Would I have loved to play the year out? 100 per cent, my passion was still to have a kick, but I got to do both during my time at the club which is fantastic."

Cardamone is widely expected to walk into another senior coaching role if he wants it, given clarity by the club well in advance of the conclusion of 2023 that his contract would not be renewed.

He said he would not rush the decision and would keep his options open.

Applications for the coaching role closed on Friday, with the club expecting to have a coach announced well before night one of preseason.



Michael Cardamone believes he has left the club in good hands. 359438

Picture: ROB CAREW

Hard in the heat of battle

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Cranbourne suffered a gut-wrenching defeat at the hands of Cheltenham in the Southern Division 1 grand final on Saturday, surrendering a 17-point lead in the dying stages after leading comfortably all day.

While the pain will take a long time to dissipate, several players can well-and-truly hold their heads high after a brutal clash that came all the way down to the wire.

Star News reporter **Jonty Ralphsmith** runs his eye over Cranbourne's best players at RSEA Park.

Brandon Osborne: Josh Fox took two early marks on him, but both were from distance and he wasn't able to convert either. That provided the launchpad for him to fly, but, despite how dangerous he looked, Osborne wore him like a glove. As well as some key spoils, he also won a foot race running towards the teeth of goal, rushing a behind by courageously absorbing contact with the goal post.

Marc Holt: Sets such high standards, and will rue a couple of behinds he kicked, but the reality is Cranbourne's lead would have been extinguished earlier if not for his game. Seized his moment in the first quarter, and finished with 2.2, three assists and was a marking menace. His well disguised kick to set up Jarryd Barker in the second quarter was a show of skill.

Ryan Jones: Looked to get the ball going forward all day, using his leg-speed on the outside, breaking lines and prioritising territory. Reads the game exceptionally well, which was on show. Took an intercept mark in the fourth quarter which started the chain that led to what looked to be the winning



SOUTHERN FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE CRANBOURNE'S BEST



Cranbourne coach Steve O'Brien speaks in front of some of his best players on Saturday. 362400

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Jarryd Barker goal.

Dylan Cavalot: Had a few important moments in the midfield and thrived in the high pressure game. Played his role excellently, and

clearly had the desperation of a player who missed out on having a premierships medallion dangling around his neck last year.

Jordan Bertrand: Had some important inter-

cept possessions, reading the cues to come off his man and impact. Laid a big tackle in defensive 50 in the first quarter which set the scene for what was to come.

Cranbourne the victim of dream Rosellas' comeback

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Continued from FOOTBALL 24

Amid Cheltenham's inaccuracy, which had tongues wagging all game, the Eagles were never able to completely kick Cheltenham out of the game.

The Eagles have scored 28 goals to their opponents' 25 in three tight finals this season.

A slew of crunching pressure and team-first moments in the first quarter formed the allegory that everyone has long associated with Cranbourne.

It was a Glenn Osborne body-on-the-line smother.

Brother Brandon's resilience, challenged, particularly early, to keep Josh Fox to one goal.

Anthony Fischer dropping a simple mark, absorbing contact then laying a bruising tackle.

Jordan Bertrand coming across to provide an extra number.

Ben Pola standing his ground and winning holding-the-ball in front of the Rosellas interchange.

Jake Stephens executing a rugged bump on young Rex Kilburn.

The Rosellas squandered their chances, but it was physical Cranbourne football.

Pressure naturally ebbed and flowed but at fever-pitch.

It felt like if you risked holding on to the ball for more than a second you needed the fleet foot of a whipper or be ready to brace for 'rottweilian' contact.

It was fitting that Dylan Cavalot, so long the defensive enabler that unlocks the Cranbourne midfield, stepped up on the big stage.

Among the myriad of grand final experience, it was a player with none to call on who started the chain that led to the game's first major via Keenan: Jarryd Barker.

Cranbourne extended a 10-point quarter-time lead to 19 points at the half.

Of course, it was the most difficult of Cheltenham's first half shots, a Nick Burke snap over the shoulder from the boundary, that disinfected the goal-kicking plague.

While Fox was potent but well-held down the other end, Holt's hands were the bullseye



Jarryd Barker takes a mark in front of the Danny Frawley Centre grandstand.



Despair. 362400

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for an archer: hit them and it'll go straight in as it has done for the duration of his career.

As well as kicking one goal, he directly set up two of Cranbourne's five in the first half.

It was, however, Fox who opened the scoring in the second half, his only major of the day.

Six goals from four games this season on Osborne.

That battle alone was worth the price of finals admission.

Matt Alister also had a couple of key wins on him in the third quarter.

Cheltenham won the third quarter by a point, finally getting some scoreboard nourishment for their run and rule on patches of the contest.

Holt had his third goal assist three minutes into the final quarter, Barker running into an open goal to extend the margin to 24 points.

Thence it unravelled.

Cranbourne's lead was slowly corroded until it was a musty memory.

Territory was king.

So was goal-kicking.

Cranbourne's was reasonable all day.

Cheltenham's was shocking – except when it mattered most.



Zak Roscoe kicks it inside 50.



Ryan Jones provided run.

SOUTHERN DIVISION 1 GRAND FINAL Saturday 23 September, 2023. RSEA PARK.

CRANBOURNE	2.3	5.5	7.7	8.8(56)
CHELTHENHAM	0.5	1.10	3.13	7.17(59)

Cranbourne Goals: S. Keenan 2, J. Barker 2, M. Holt 2, K. Dickson, Z. Roscoe. Best: B.

Osborne, M. Alister, R. Jones, D. Cavalot, S. Keenan, J. Bertrand.

Cheltenham Goals: O. Moran, T. Davis, D. McComb, J. Fox, N. Burke, M. Cook, R. Kilburn. **Best:** O. Moran, N. Burke, D. Vaughan, D. Rendell, J. Worrell, J. Bloink.

Best on ground medal: Dylan Weickhardt (Cheltenham).

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Heartbreak for Cranbourne

By Jonty Ralphsmith

The final siren to the Southern Football Netball League Division 1 grand final at RSEA Park was greeted by a zephyr, which brought with it a sentence of despondency for the Cranbourne Eagles.

The reigning premiers did not trail until the 24-minute mark of the last quarter, ultimately succumbing in a 7.17 59 to 8.8 56 thriller.

For much of the day, the Eagles led by three goals....the biggest margin was 26 points.

Cheltenham's first 13 shots on goal yielded 0.10.

Among those misses was a running shot from 50 which pitched three metres inside the goal-line and got more turn than a Shane Warne leg-break to deviate off course.

Down the other end later in the quarter, Shaun Keenan bounced a ball over the Cheltenham fullback's head.

Storylines were forming and the footy gods were obeying.

The Rosellas had just one goal on the board at halftime.

20 minutes into the last, they were 4.17: bad kicking is bad football.

Nervous jitters were intertwined with foreboding laughter in the Danny Frawley grandstand as Cheltenham continued to squander opportunities.

If Rosellas watchers didn't laugh, they cried. "You can't trust the bloody Sherrin," cried one supporter as the Eagles appeared to have the eternal rub of the green.

Cheltenham reduced the margin to within two goals at the 21-minute-mark, which fastened the crowd's intrigue.

Cranbourne players, aware of the greatness tag that would surely have followed them if they won, panicked late.

Reactive rather than proactive. Rushed, not composed. Poor decision-making.

A Jarryd Barker strike from outside the arc to Cheltenham's spare in the goal-square, midway through the final quarter, saw the Rosellas slingshot the other way.

It was between the big sticks in the blink of an eye to reduce the margin to less than a kick.

The house erupted one minute later when Tom Davis slotted one from the centre clear-ance.

Cheltenham was in front and had the momentum.

Eagles spectators felt the eerie presence of the 2012-15 ghosts when they lost four consecutive deciders.

Lifted by the howling crowd, Cheltenham held on.

Cranbourne's best chance late came when Ryan Jones, prominent throughout, ran and ran down the wing and kicked towards Luke Bee-Hugo inside 50.

Mate to mate. All that training together, all those games to synergise late in a final.

Cranbourne's number 32 got his hands on the footy and struck it sweetly, but the umpire paid a push-in-the-back.

The whistle was barely audible over the deafening screams but it effectively sealed the result.

Less than a minute later, the siren confirmed Cranbourne's worst nightmare.

Disbelief. Numbness. Hurt.

On several occasions, the usually cool Cranbourne, plucky, tough and experienced, did something stale.

Reputations are forged in finals and moments decide games.



SOUTHERN FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE
DIVISION 1 - GRAND FINAL REVIEW



Numbness on the final siren for Anthony Fischer and his teammates. 362400

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Intercept specialist Bailey Buntine takes a grab.



Cheltenham celebrate the premiership.

Having been the bridesmaids twice in recent years, the Rosellas won the late moments that mattered.

Cheltenham's terrier-like attack and fizzy energy was reminiscent of what was produced against it two weeks ago in Cranbourne's own final quarter avalanche.

Families provided some players mild consolation.

Others drowned their sorrows in each other's tears.

The united melancholy was palpable.

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Cranbourne arm-in-arm pre-game.

Bottled Fruit



Mob rule

Insert Brain Here



Doodley Squat



WuMo



Against the Grain



Bushy Tales



Swamp



Insanity Streak



Ballard Street



Mrs. Neeley's longer compositions take a toll on Tom.

Grin Bin



PUZZLES

SUDOKU

No. 152

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in: each of the nine vertical columns, each of the nine horizontal rows and each of the nine 3 x 3 boxes. Remember, no number can occur more than once in any row, column or box.

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5x5

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Insert the missing letters to make 10 words – five reading across the grid and five reading down.

NOTE: more than one solution may be possible

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QUICK QUIZ



- What condition would you have if ice crystals formed within your skin cells?
- The 80-foot Uniroyal tyre that was used as a ferris wheel at the New York 1964-1965 World's Fair is now located in which US state?
- Which Boston Celtic great was also known as 'The Chief'?
- What type of food is pecorino?
- Who directed the film *Dances with Wolves* (1990)?
- In which country was the world's largest firework lit, on February 8, 2020?
- What is the name of Stan's sister in *South Park*?
- Which English alternative rock band formed in Sheffield in 1978 and was fronted by Jarvis Cocker (pictured)?
- In what year did superhero Spider-Man first appear?
- True or false: the falcon can fly at speeds of over 400km per hour?

QUICK CROSSWORD

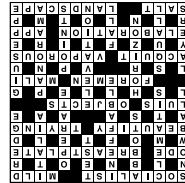
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ACROSS

- One who believes in sharing evenly amongst the community (9)
- Temperate (4)
- Poem (3)
- Armour that covers the chest (11)
- To make more attractive (8)
- Difficult (6)
- Puerto Rican actor, - Guzmán (4)
- Expresses disapproval (7)
- Supervisors (7)
- Landlocked West African country (4)
- Discharge (6)
- Producing haze (8)
- Ornamentation (11)
- Phone program (abbr) (3)
- Preservative (4)
- Visible features of an area (9)
- Heads of a monastery (6)
- Beyond words, indescribable (9)
- Examine (4)
- Roma is its capital (6)
- Dragnet (6)
- Work; use (7)
- Height (9)
- Line dividing the earth and the sky (7)
- Vista (8)
- First name of Italian composer Verdi (8)
- Strata (6)
- Sudden gust of wind (6)
- Indicates (6)
- One of the seasons (US) (4)

DOWN

- Grow rapidly (8)
- A species of buttercup (8)



DECODER

No. 152

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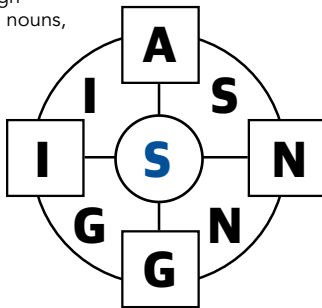
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9-LETTER WORD

Using the nine letters in the grid, how many words of four letters or more can you list? The centre letter must be included and each letter may only be used once. No colloquial or foreign words. No capitalised nouns, apostrophes or plural words ending in "s".

Today's Aim:

- 10 words: Good
- 15 words: Very good
- 20 words: Excellent



ANSWERS: 1. Frobitse 2. Michigan 3. Robert Parish 4. Cheese 5. Kevin Costner 6. The US 7. Shelley 8. Pulp 9. 1962 10. False

WORDFIT

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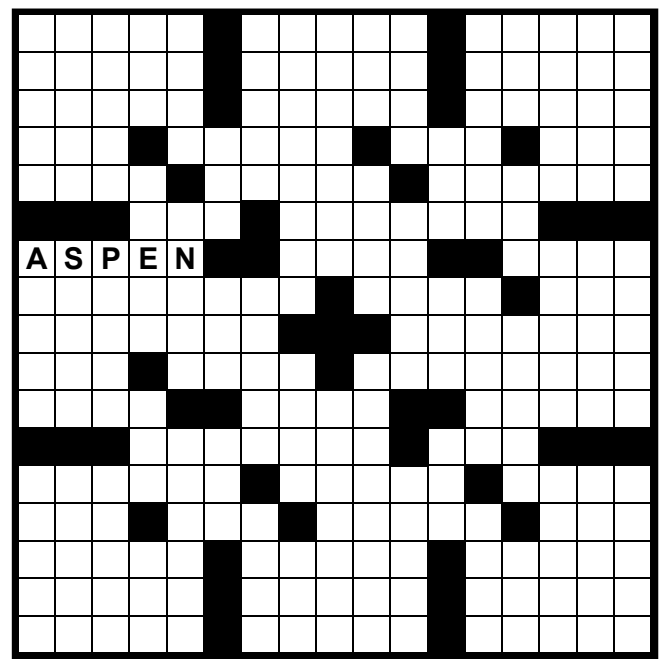
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4 LETTERS

- BATS
- CLEF
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5 LETTERS

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- ACUTE
- ADMIT
- ALIVE
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- ANTIC
- AORTA
- ARENA
- AROSE
- ASHES
- ATLAS
- AVERT
- AWING
- BRUSH
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- PATIO
- RHINO
- SAUTE
- SHAMS
- SHOAL
- SIEGE
- SLEDS
- SNEER
- SPEED
- SPOON
- SPOTS
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- SWEET

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- TILDE
- TOTES
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- WAIVE

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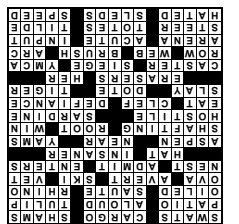
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- ROUTINE
- SARDINE
- TRIBUTE

6 LETTERS

- CASTER
- ENTERS
- REWARD
- STRINE

8 LETTERS

- ALARMING
- DEFIANCE
- DESERTED
- SHAFTING



29-09-23

Your year ahead
With six outer planets still marking time, this week benefits from slowing down and taking a pause to appreciate the rich abundance life never stops offering. And to tune into Mercury joining the sun and Mars in peace-loving, sweet-talking Libra, the sign of gracious communication...



ARIES
(Mar 21 - Apr 20)

In this week's energetic light and shade, the balancing of opposites is Aries' most important ask. Tune into your mentor planet, Mars, who's currently assisting with lessons in how to practice the fine art of diplomatic negotiation, of negotiating solutions with Venusian charm, grace and persuasion.
Best day:
Thursday 5 October



TAURUS
(Apr 21 - May 20)

October warms up to an enjoyably social start with Uranus, currently on staycation in your sign, suggesting you find ways of maintaining your sense of joy and purpose in the face of planetary changes. This week is likely to get better results from agreeing to disagree rather than arguing it out.
Best day:
Sunday 1 October



GEMINI
(May 21 - Jun 21)

This week's astral energetics suggest taking inventory of the people you surround yourself with. And your mentor planet, Mercury, in the sign of relationship, reminds you of the benefits of listening to the other person's viewpoint before leaping to conclusions or expressing your own opinions.
Best day:
Tuesday 3 October



CANCER
(Jun 22 - Jul 22)

If last month was challenging, let's not spoil now with the memories of then. Because this spritzzy spring week's buzzwords are beauty and balance or, more specifically, rebalancing. Is something looking like it's simply not right for you at this time? If in doubt, wait it out.
Best day:
Thursday 5 October



LEO
(Jul 23 - Aug 23)

Let this week's regulating energy guide you in deciding when to push a little and when it's advisable to pull back. The outer planets' slower pace suggests there's no need to race into rush decisions, so take a break and apply yourself to designing a more satisfying work/pleasure balance.
Best day:
Tuesday 3 October

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VIRGO
(Aug 24 - Sep 22)

Nobody's perfect. We're all artworks in progress, so be less demanding of yourself this week. With your mentor planet Mercury in the sign of aesthetic intelligence for the first half of October, you'll bring the voice of reason to any mediation. Pro tip: the most elegant solution is likely to be the best.
Best day:
Monday 2 October



LIBRA
(Sep 23 - Oct 23)

Libran wit Oscar Wilde once observed that the making of a good salad requires diplomacy, as in knowing exactly how much oil to mix with your vinegar. With the radiant sun, passionate Mars and flirty Mercury in your sign, you Venusians should get excellent results from his recipe this week.
Best day:
Wednesday 4 October



SCORPIO
(Oct 24 - Nov 22)

If you're wondering whether this is a good time to have The Talk, astral indications say wait. This week, people are likely to want to keep things light so, if possible, postpone for a couple of weeks till Mercury's in Scorpio and your concerns are more likely to be heard.
Best day:
Friday 6 October



SAGITTARIUS
(Nov 23 - Dec 21)

With Mercury moving into the sign of equity, it's possible that reconsidering a hardline decision might yield better results. Normally your mentor planet, Jupiter, favours candid conversations to discuss differences of opinion, but this week will be more responsive to a less direct, more diplomatic approach.
Best day:
Sunday 1 October



CAPRICORN
(Dec 22 - Jan 20)

This week's artistic star line-up recommends the Beauty Way: the practice of dedicating each day to receiving beauty into your life. To seeing and appreciating the beauty in yourself and others - in a stranger's smile, a flower beginning to bloom, a happy child or animal - and then sharing it.
Best day:
Monday 2 October



AQUARIUS
(Jan 21 - Feb 18)

As collective uncertainty and eco-stress fracture life as we've known it, new ways of contributing and communicating spring up through these cracks. Standing up for causes that support truth and justice has always been the Aquarian way, and this week an important issue calls for your engagement.
Best day:
Wednesday 4 October



PISCES
(Feb 19 - Mar 20)

September stimulated organisation and downsizing; this month's about making life beautiful. And, ideally, doing that with someone else. With October's astral energy in the fair-minded sign of joint ventures and partnering, this week calls for an equitable distribution of workloads and contributions.
Best day:
Saturday 7 October

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Sheryn Harbert, Outer East's finance officer, with Pakenham president Marg Jones at the scorer's table. 362390



ROC's Shane Vincent, Alyssa Breeden and Amy Jones at the barbecue. 362390



Past players John Del Giudice and Josh James cheer home the Bulldogs. 362391



Narre Warren's Taylah Lonza contests the ball with Seville's Clementine Nicholas. 362380

Sunshine at Starling Road

Participants and spectators could not have asked for more on Saturday with beautiful sunshine and a pristine surface providing the perfect backdrop for the 2023 Outer East Premier Division grand finals.

Gazette photographers **ROB CAREW** (Football) and **STEWART CHAMBERS** (Netball) were at the Officer to capture all the colour of the biggest day of the season.



Pakenham footballers Sam Kors and Rhys Clacy were interested spectators at Officer. 362391



Players line up for the national anthem before the senior game. 362391



Upwey-Tecoma supporters at the under 19s, from left, Jessica, Emma and Leanne. 362391



Milla McCann supporting Lacey and the Narre crew at the netball. 362390



Jesiah and Elijah supporting ROC at the netty. 362390



Maddi, Meagan and Maryanne were busy in the ROC netball canteen. 362390



Upwey-Tecoma supporters Chris, Toni, Jess and Bev cheer on the reserves. 362391



Emelia (centre) with her aunty Tahlia and her mum Corrina Emery. 362390



Strike a pose...Alomao Siala, Alex Lucas, Mia Williams, Meka Simmons and Isabel McCarthy after Narre Warren's 15-under win. 362379



Olinda Ferny Creek fans, back row; Chloe, Olivia, Mera and Harper. Front row; Hayley and Taylor. 362390



Wandin B Grade netballers supporting the Wandin seniors; Zoe Teesdale, Madi Rouget and Cass Iedema. 362391



ROC 13-under captain Raegan Ruddick has the premiership glow. 362378



Narre Warren's Delainey Brown is all smiles after the D Grade win. 362377



Netball umpires David, Belinda and Matt. 362390



Ashleigh Hammond jumps for joy after Narre Warren won its sixth netball premiership at Starling Road on Saturday. 362384



Narre Warren premiership player Taylah Jencke with family members Trevor, Jen, Ray, Auiy, Harry, Jacques and Ali. 362390



Wandin women's footballers Maeve, Lydia and Chloe celebrate the senior men's premiership. 362391



Tahlia Leary shows grit, determination and athleticism in defence. 362378



Steve from the ROC netball club cooks up some eggs. 362390



Wandin senior player Samuel Hodgett with his number-one supporter Lachie. 362391

Q&A

with Eastern Victoria MP Renee Heath

Tell us a fun fact about yourself!

So, I just called my younger sister and my life-long best friend and asked for their help on this. They both said, "hmmm, nope, can't think of one". This can't be a good sign!

What do you love about your electorate?

The Eastern Victoria Region is by far the most beautiful region in Australia. We have the best of nature from beaches to mountains. We produce incredible food, produce and businesses but the best thing of all is the people.

What would your last meal be?

Spaghetti bolognese (obviously not cooked by me).

What is your most memorable moment?

Being sworn into Parliament and delivering my maiden speech. It was an incredibly special day. I think serving the people of the Eastern Victoria Region in Parliament will forever be the greatest honour of my life.

What event past or present would you like to witness?

I would go back in time to the steps of the Lincoln Memorial and witness Martin Luther King Jr's 'I have a dream' speech.

Which three guests, dead or alive, would you invite to dinner?

Corrie Ten Boom, Martin Luther King Jr and John Howard.

What are you currently listening to, watching or reading?

I am listening to the audiobook Wild Swans, and I am reading A Heart for Freedom.

If you had to compete on MasterChef, what dish would you cook?

There is absolutely no way that someone with my culinary skills would make it on MasterChef. Would they be happy with canned baked beans on toast?

Where is your dream holiday destination?

Somewhere with sun, pasta, wine, and a pool. Perhaps an Italian villa?

What were you like as a kid?

I asked my friend and sister this one too. Apparently, I was "boisterous", "a complete tomboy" and "highly accident-prone" and then they topped it off with "you were the 'if only she would apply herself' type". I then called



Renee Heath is the Member for the Eastern Victoria region, which includes the Pakenham area.

Mum and her report was much more uplifting with "fun, generous and a people person". Thank God for mums!

What was your first job?

My first job was at McDonalds in Sale. I was a crew member and party host. I absolutely loved it (and remember, if you have time to

lean, you have time to clean).

What are the three most used apps on your phone?

Outlook, News Apps and Duolingo.

What's one question that you have always wanted answered?

Why anyone would ever vote Labor!

THREE ...

Lions and Pies Grand Finals

Collingwood hasn't won a premiership against the Lions in over 100 years. Can the Lions stop them again? Let's take a look at key moments in their premiership clashes.

1 1903
You have to go quite far back to find the first time the Lions and the Pies faced off for the premiership, back when the Lions were Fitzroy and Fitzroy was a very different place than it is today. In 1903 they faced each other for the first time in the biggest game, Collingwood would scrap in on top by a mere two points. Fear not, Fitzroy would bounce back by winning the the flag in 1904 and 1905, the latter was against Collingwood.

2 1922
It was the last time they would face each other for the flag in the 20th century with the Lions coming out on top winning by just 11 points in front of 50,000 at the G, one of the biggest turn outs for footy at the time.

3 2002-03
The next time they faced, they Lions were well and truly established in Brisbane and unfortunately for Collingwood the Lions were in the midst of a legendary period of dominance that would result in a three-peat premiership from 2001-03.

WHAT'S ON

Housing Support and Advice

Are you experiencing homelessness? At risk of having no safe place to live? Living in low-cost accommodation with no support?

Visit the Pakenham Library and have a chat with a support worker to discuss available options and resources.

■ Every Wednesday between 2pm to 4pm. Bookings are not required. If you require more information, please phone Pakenham Library on 5940 6200.

Reservoir meeting

The Save the Beaconsfield Reservoir Action Group together with the Officer and District Community Association will be holding a public meeting on the subject of Saving Beaconsfield Reservoir next month on Wednesday 11 October at 7.30pm.

■ This will be held in the R.G. Porter Social Rooms, Officer Recreation Reserve, 20 Starling Rd, Officer.

Berwick Springs VIEW Club

Affiliated with The Smith Family, the Berwick Springs VIEW Club is a not-for-profit organisation, with the aim to fundraise to support Learning for Life students.

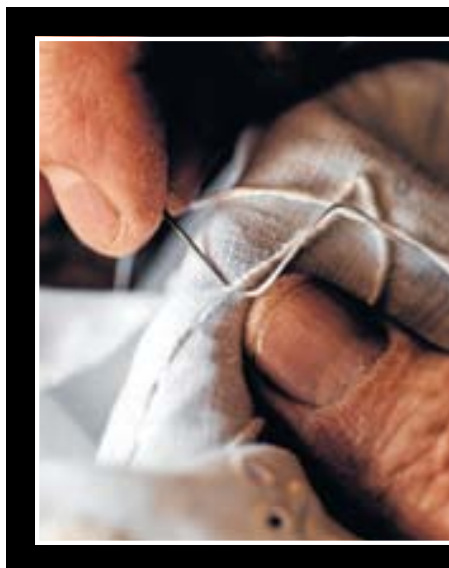
The club currently supports seven students of varying ages with their education expenses and are about to take on an eighth student.

The club meets on the first Monday of each month in the Berwick Springs Hotel function room from 11.30am, where members enjoy a lunch and then host a guest speaker.

Throughout the year, the club has a couple of special fundraisers, as well as casual morning tea and lunch for interested ladies.

The club is always looking for new members in all age groups.

■ For more information, contact Shirley on 0419 878 481 or email berwicksprings.viewclub@gmail.com



Embroidery sessions

Every third Saturday of the month people passionate about craft and embroidery get together sit and sew.

The sessions are in associations with Embroiderers Guild of Victoria and all are welcome to attend, including beginners.

Held at Nar Nar Goon North Hall, the next session will be on 21 October, starting at midday until 3pm.

Entry costs \$3, people are encouraged to bring their own lunch, tea and coffee and afternoon tea are provided. It is advised to arrive via Bessie Creek Road. For further information contact Ruth Hallett 0409 146 131 or rhallett4@bigpond.com.

■ Join the embroidery sessions on the third Saturday of the month.

Picture: UNSPLASH, ELIO SANTOS

Casey Cardinia Life Activities Club

Are you newly retired, or new to the area, or just wanting to enjoy your freedom, or expand your social life?

Casey Cardinia Life Activities Club can offer you stimulating activities such as weekly social/chat activities with low key in line dancing if you want to tap your feet and great afternoon teas, day/short and long trips away via (coach/flights), Weekly Morning Coffee Club, Monthly Saturday Country Pub Lunches, Monthly Evening Din-outs, Weekly Table Tennis Club, Walking Groups, Seasonal Daytime Musical Theatre Outings, and more! We welcome all you gentlemen out there with time on your hands! Ladies, come along, this is your time to meet like minded people and make those new friends.

■ Come along and get to know us by visiting us on a Thursday at 2pm at Brentwood Park

Neighbourhood House or join us on a Wednesday at 10am for a Coffee at Little Sparrow Fountain Gate. Or for more information contact Enquiry Officer Gloria 0468 363 616.

Join Probus

The Probus Club of Casey Combined would be pleased to welcome new members. Short meeting, morning tea, guest speaker and good fellowship. Enquiries: 0406 468 285 (Magda).

■ The club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9.45am at the Old Cheese Factory, 34 Homestead Road, Berwick.

Bush Diwan

In Bush Diwan, six contemporary artists respond to a pivotal moment in Sikh history in Australia by exploring the reclamation of identity, forming, gathering and laying foundations of community.

Illuminating two significant, yet little known, moments in Australian history, this project centres

on the story of Siva Singh, an early 20th century regional Victorian resident, Sikh community leader and civil rights campaigner.

■ Bunjil Place Gallery, Saturday 16 September to Sunday 12 November from 10am to 4pm from Tuesday to Sunday.

Berwick Activities Club

As the club heads into its 31st year it wishes to welcome new members to join in the many activities on offer such as New Vogue Dancing, which will see you moving in no time.

Social Wednesdays where you can join in Carpet Bowls, cards, Scrabble and Table Tennis.

Take the opportunity to make new friends and enjoy yourself.

Membership is only \$10 with a \$5 weekly attendance fee which includes morning tea.

■ For more information phone David on 0433 566 456 or Bruce 0447 554 475.

Berwick Antique & Collectables Fair

Local collectors should mark the date, Berwick Antique & Collectables Fair is back on in October.

A large variety of items sold by friendly stall holders from all over the local area.

It will be held in the Endeavour Hills Leisure Centre, 10 Raymond McMahan Blvd.

■ Running from 9am to 4pm on Sunday 8 October - \$5 entry, children enter for free.

Berwick Pakenham Historical Society

As part of History Month and Seniors' Month the Berwick Pakenham Historical Society is conducting an 'At Home'.

The museum will be open between 10am and 4pm on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 5 to 8 October, located at 85 Princes Hwy, Pakenham.

■ Entry is free and tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

Listen to both Voice sides

Community advocacy group Voices for Monash will next month host a free community information evening about the Indigenous Voice to Parliament.

To be held at Warragul Goods Shed from 7pm to 8.30pm on 4 October, the evening will platform a panel comprised of Indigenous community leaders from both yes and no sides of the debate, as well as an expert in constitutional law.

The Voice Referendum itself is being held on Saturday 14 October 2023, when Australia will be asked to vote “yes” or “no” to whether to amend the constitution to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as the First peoples of Australia and whether to establish an advisory body (a “Voice”) to advise on Indigenous matters.

But Voices for Monash found that many people in the community do not understand what the proposed Voice referendum is about and would like to learn more.

The event is aimed to be a balanced, open and respectful discussion to provide factual information to assist community members to make up their own mind as to how to vote.

This is the second event of this kind run by Voices for Monash, the first being held in Wonthaggi in June.

Former Independent federal candidate Deb Leonard who emceed the event said the first event was a resounding success.

“Panel members explained in clear terms the question the public are required to vote on and how the Voice proposal originated from the Uluru Statement. They also gave a detailed overview of how the Voice would operate and the impact on indigenous and non-indigenous Australians,” Ms Leonard said.

“There were many well thought out and genuine questions from the audience, which our panel members did a great job of answering. It was wonderful to see such an engaged group of community members come together to have a respectful conversation despite many having differing opinions on the topic.”

The panel for this event will include Rue-



Gundtjijmara man and co-chair of the First Peoples Assembly of Victoria Rueben Berg will join the panel for the evening.

Picture: SUPPLIED

ben Berg, Gundtjijmara man and co-chair of the First Peoples Assembly of Victoria, Aunt Cheryl Drayton, local Kurnai Elder and treasurer/director of the Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages and Professor Melissa Castan, expert in Constitutional Law and Indigenous Legal Issues.

Voices for Monash hope that this will assist

people to feel confident with their vote and make an informed decision when the referendum is held on 14 October.

This free event is open to all community members, but due to capacity limitations registration is essential via voicesformonash.org/news-events

Voices for Monash is a community organ-

isation which aims to activate and support the engagement of the community in various political issues.

Voices for Monash is not affiliated with any political party or other organisation but has been inspired by the work in other electorates which promotes citizen democracy in the community.

Probiants take in the sights at Gumbuya

By Pakenham East Probus Club

On Wednesday 6 September, which was a beautiful sunny and warm day, 27 members from the Pakenham East Probus Club visited Gumbuya World at Tynong, where on arrival we wandered up to the Conference Room and enjoyed morning tea, consisting of a hot drink of your choice followed by delicious scones, jam and cream.

While we were partaking of this, we were introduced to some wildlife inhabitants of the park and given the opportunity to hold or pat these animals.

Some very brave members were quite happy to hold the python, while others enjoyed patting the rabbit and admiring the tawny frogmouth that was hand-reared.

Then we went for a walk and a train ride around the park. Unfortunately the train “derailed” and we had to leave the train in an orderly fashion. Some members were allowed to stay on the train while it was returned to the road. Other members were then permitted to board the train and complete a circuit of the park.

Then it was time for lunch. We returned to the conference room for lunch which consisted of fish ‘n’ chips or soup which was most enjoyable. After lunch we were enthralled by the birds in flight: an eclectic parrot called Coby, a macaw, Sirius the tawny frogmouth, and Otis the Southern American yellow-faced parrot. Otis was incredibly talented; he was able to count to 10 and sing the song, ‘How much is that Doggie in the Window?’

He also exhibited his operatic talents, singing opera with his trainer.

A wonderful day was had by all, then it was time to travel home.

Anybody wishing to join us on similar adventures should contact Pakenham East Probus at probuspakenhameast@gmail.com



Ken Rook enjoys handling the snake.



Members enjoyed meeting some of the locals.



Probiants receive a cuddle.



A delicious birthday cake was enjoyed by Pakenham Senior Citizens Club members recently.

Seniors celebrate anniversary

Sixty-two members of the Pakenham Senior Citizens Club enjoyed a delicious cake to celebrate the 56th anniversary of the club recently.

The club was started by civic-minded people in the 1960s who were looking for a congenial meeting place.

The club still enjoys lunch on Mondays followed by bingo or playing cards. Other days, members enjoy Hoi, outings, entertainment and carpet bowls.

Interested people should call in at 38 James Street on a Monday morning or phone 5941 1297.

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It's getting hotter

Farmers for Climate Action is calling for urgent action to limit climate change as it emerges farmers are officially facing an El Niño weather pattern after three years of La Niña.

In September, the Bureau of Meteorology declared Australia is officially in an El Niño weather pattern, meaning warmer drier conditions are more likely for south-eastern Australia, and this will be made more extreme by climate change.

Already some farmers, including Farmers for Climate Action member Peter Lake who farms near Grafton on the NSW North Coast, are officially in drought conditions after battling floods 12 months ago.

"It turned from mud to concrete in a couple of weeks and suddenly everything was just dry. From flood to drought, climate change is making the changes more extreme," Mr Lake said.

Farmers for Climate Action chair Brett Hall, who farms in the Derwent Valley in Tasmania, said many farmers were concerned about the possibility of warmer, drier conditions and increased weather variability for eastern Australia this spring and summer.

"Although some farmers have had reasonable conditions recently, we know things can change in a few months."

Mr Hall said that Australian farmers are great at adapting, but that ultimately "we need



Farmers for Climate Action chair Brett Hall said many farmers were concerned about the possibility of warmer, drier conditions and increased weather variability for eastern Australia this spring and summer. Picture: GOZHA NET ON UNSPLASH

to address the driving cause of climate change - emissions".

"Farmers are always looking three steps ahead to the next event but there are limits to their adaptation. While we adapt and mitigate on-farm, we need to know the rest of the economy is doing its bit to reduce emissions and tackle climate change, which is causing more frequent and severe weather events."

Farmers for Climate Action, an organisation representing 8000 farmers, hosted a webinar "El Niño explained" in July, bringing together a range of speakers, including from the BoM and Birchip Cropping Group to help farmers prepare. The presentation is available at farmerforclimateaction.org.au/portfolio/2023-el-nino-webinar

Quality drop

There were approximately 800 export and 180 young cattle penned at the Pakenham VLE Saleyards on Monday 25 September, representing an increase of 50 head week-on-week.

Most of the usual buying group was present and operating selectively in a cheaper market.

Quality declined with fewer prime cattle and more secondary lots.

Trade heifers eased 15c/kg while secondary young cattle lost more.

Grown steers and bullocks gave back 25c to 30c/kg.

Heavy manufacturing steers slipped 25c to 40c/kg.

Cows fell 40c to 60c/kg while heavy bulls eased 22c/kg.

Vealers sold from 144c to 300c/kg.

Yearling heifers to the trade made between 240c and 266c/kg.

Grown steers and bullocks sold between 204c and 270c/kg.

Heavy manufacturing steers made from 160c to 235c/kg.

Most light and medium weight cows sold from 55c to 127c/kg.

Heavy weight cows made mostly between 90c and 200c/kg.

Heavy bulls sold between 200c and 245c/kg.

- MLA market reporter Brendan Fletcher

THE ROUNDUP

Women on the national stage

Victorian tech entrepreneur Nikki Davey has taken home the 2023 AgriFutures Australia Rural Women's Award, announced at a Gala event at Parliament House in Canberra recently.

Nikki is a co-founder of Grown Not Flown - a digital platform that connects consumers with their local flower growers.

A budding flower farmer based in Glenmore in Central Victoria, she is passionate about sustainable and regenerative agriculture. Identifying a need for technologies dedicated to small-scale growers, Nikki put her skills in business and digital product development into developing a solution that reduces 'flower miles' and supports the local cut flower industry bloom.

Nikki said the award felt like recognition for the challenges she has faced as a female founder working across both the agriculture and technology sectors, and emphasised the value of small-scale growers and their contributions to local economies.

Traceability boost

Australia's livestock traceability system will get a technological boost to meet growing consumer demand.

The Federal Government has awarded a \$22.5 million grant to Integrity Systems Company Limited (ISC) to enhance the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) database and its supporting systems.

The funding, announced in the October Budget, will help to modernise Australia's data capture, storage, and distribution system for tracking livestock and their movements, helping industry and producers adapt to changing consumer and market needs into the future.

The database will deliver significant system-wide traceability benefits for all animal species captured by the NLIS and allow for future additions to the system.

The grant will also support the delivery of a platform that can accommodate additional data inputs from other systems, which will assist in demonstrating Australia's agricultural credentials and compliance with international market access requirements, including sustainability and animal welfare.

Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Murray Watt said the NLIS Uplift Grant was part of the Government's \$46.7 million commitment to work with industry and state and territory governments to improve national livestock traceability arrangements over the next three years.

"Traceability plays a key role in protecting and growing Australian agriculture, and we need the right tools in place to see it thrive," Minister Watt said.

The grant is expected to run until 30 June, 2026. For more information on the NLIS, visit integritysystems.com.au/identification-traceability/national-livestock-identification-system

Live sheep phase out panel extended

An extension has been granted to the independent panel overseeing advice on how and when the government will phase out live sheep exports by sea.

Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Murray Watt agreed to the panel's request for a short extension to enable them to complete their research, deliberations and recommendations.

"My priority has always been, and continues to be, ensuring the phase out occurs in an orderly way, and this includes proper planning," Minister Watt said.

"Since consultation started in March the panel have received more than 800 written submissions and over 3300 survey responses.

"They've also listened to diverse stakeholder perspectives at public forums in person and online.

"With the volume and range of consultation information now known, and the commissioned work now received, the panel has requested a short extension to wrap up the analysis.

"I acknowledge the panel's commitment to providing recommendations on a pathway forward, and I commend their diligence



Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Murray Watt agreed to the panel's request for a short extension.

Picture: AAP IMAGE/LUKAS COCH

to honing the report during the coming months.

Minister Watt confirmed the end date for the phase would not happen during this term of parliament.

"We know farmers and other industry participants need time to prepare for the pathway forward," he said.

"The report is vital to developing a considered and orderly implementation plan that advances animal welfare, examines the needs of impacted individuals, business and local communities and identifies opportunities for future sheep industry growth.

"I thank all stakeholders who provided input into how and when the phase out should be implemented, including what's needed to seize new opportunities, such as expanding onshore processing and exporting more of our high-quality sheep meat to the world."

More information about the phase out of live sheep exports by sea, is available on the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry website.

The independent panel is chaired by former chief executive of the Murray Darling Basin Authority and senior public servant, Phillip Glyde.

The panel also includes Western Australian agriculture expert Ms Sue Middleton, former federal minister the Hon Warren Snowdon, and former RSPCA CEO Ms Heather Neil.

The panel will provide its report to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry by 25 October.

Transition to management phase for Varroa

Following a National Management Group meeting involving industry and government bodies on 19 September, Agriculture Victoria will transition its emergency response to a transition to management phase for Varroa mite.

Victoria's chief plant health officer Dr Rosa Crnov said the NSW Varroa mite outbreak is no longer technically feasible to eradicate despite sustained efforts by government and industry.

"Victoria remains free of Varroa mite, and under the Transition to Management program the focus will be on slowing the spread of Varroa and ensuring our industries are prepared and supported for its arrival," she said.

"The Transition to Management model will support business continuity minimising the impact of varroa on our beekeepers and pollination-dependent industries.

"Surveillance of varroa and keeping track of the movement of bees and beekeeping equipment via our permit system will continue to help us maintain a Varroa-free status in Victoria while we work with industry to adapt to the new model."



Agriculture Victoria has announced it will transition to a management phase for its Varroa mite response. Picture: LUIS ASCUI/AAP

Beekeepers must continue to record any bee movements, regularly test bees for varroa and follow the requirements of the Control Area Order and any permits they are under.

The pause on processing permit applications from NSW will remain in place for an interim period while applications for permits for movements from all other jurisdictions into Victoria will continue to be processed.

Agriculture Victoria will work on develop-

ing the national Transition to Management Plan as part of the Consultative Committee on Emergency Plant Pests (CCEPP) process.

The Plan's focus is slowing the spread of Varroa mite, supporting pollination, building industry resilience and providing management solutions.

Since Varroa mite was found 15 months ago, Agriculture Victoria's world class biosecurity capability has been able to support two successful pollination seasons without the pest entering the state.

Varroa mite is a parasite of adult honey bees and honey bee brood. It weakens and kills honey bee colonies and can also transmit honey bee viruses. Varroa mite does not affect native bees.

For more information on Varroa mite requirements, reporting and permit applications, visit the Varroa page on the Agriculture Victoria website via agriculture.vic.gov.au/varroa

Any suspected cases of Varroa should be reported to the Exotic Plant Pest Hotline on 1800 084 881.



The Beard family includes Isaac, Michelle, Simon, Elenor and Ashleigh. 361152

As many farms continue to sell up or disappear across Cardinia Shire's ever growing urban sprawl, one family is bucking the trend and thriving, as journalist **NICK SINIS** reports.



Tucked away just off Cardinia Road in Officer South, Simon Beard and his family are third generation on their property which has been passed down from his grandfather.

As Officer and surrounds continue to boom with housing developments and new residents, not to mention the traffic, the family has seen an incredible amount of change over the years.

But fortunately it all played into their hand when they decided to start their paddock to plate project in early 2020, and Meat Me At The Gate was born.

After selling their beef to wholesalers for some time, the family was inspired to start the farmgate and sell directly to the public.

"It made a lot of sense to go direct, and on paper, it sounded great," Simon said.

"In early 2020 we started it and Covid-19 hit, but fortunately it was a good thing for us, it put us on the map."

Simon highlighted that during the early months of lockdowns issues with supply chains were becoming increasingly problematic for many everyday items, including meat.

But again, this was another ace up their sleeve, as customers began searching for alternatives besides the big supermarkets.

"We ended up not having enough meat (to sell)," he said.

"Customers ended up loving our product and really jumped on our story."

The majority of cows used for the farmgate are friesian and angus breeds, with just two to three sent off to an abattoir in Warragul and returned to the property where they carve up the



Ready for sale. 361152



Ashleigh, Michelle, Elenor, Isaac and Simon. 361152

“Customers ended up loving our product and really jumped on our story.”

carcasses themselves.

Much of their practices are closely linked to organic farming, with their cows grass fed and given no antibiotics.

Simon believes that consumers enjoy knowing where their product comes from and the accountability that comes with it.

They also put a lot of care into choosing which animals will be sent to the abattoir, ensuring they are in top health and not under any stress when transported.

Besides their fortnightly farmgate opera-

tion, they are also involved with fertilisers.

"We're a glorified hobby farm as you could call it, but everyone helps out on the farm, dad still gets out as well," he added.

When asked if they had any plans to expand into the future, Simon says for the moment it's better to stick to what you know.

"There was some temptation there to get into lamb, but we decided to just stick with what's working," he said.

Simon also discussed the challenges and benefits of being located near the urban fring-

es, as more and more housing estates continue to creep closer.

"There's pros and cons to everything, but the fact that the suburban areas are so close to us as a farmgate is fantastic," he said.

"But the busyness of the roads isn't overly great... probably our biggest headache I suppose with the urban sprawl is the housing developments to the north of us and flooding risks.

"That's our biggest issue, we have a creek that runs through our property and it has definitely changed its water pattern.

"It's changed in volumes the way the water comes down."

But besides that, Simon and family continue to enjoy their lives caught between two worlds.



Isaac keeping a close look on the yearlings. 361152



Simon Beard ensures his animals are well cared for. 361152



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Sustainable practices

In 2022 Agpath was awarded a grant from Sustainability Victoria: "C-12300 - Quantifying mineralisation and biological status from organic amendments and soil".

Dr Mary Cole is the lead researcher. The major participants with Agpath in the grant are University of Melbourne; CORE – Centre for Organic Research and Education – NSW; GRO- Gippsland Regional Organics – Dutton Downs, Vic; Agrisolutions, Vic; Charlton feedlot, Vic; and pasture and horticultural farms in Gippsland.

Problems with use of composted materials that were identified included lack of information around recycling and end use of FOGO – food organics- green organic from the urban waste stream; nutrient levels and mineralisation of organic products in a farming environment; lack of information on the biological status of these products; and information on the biological status of organic products on

the soil and plant health.

The project aims to divert organic material from landfill and transform it into a valuable resource such as feedstock/compost/organic soil amendments. With these products, improve plant and soil health to increase productivity but reduce pest and disease pressure. We hope to give end-users more confidence in products available for soil amendments such as information on toxic contaminants.

Address carbon capture by improving carbon storage in the soil and improving current farming practices to make the farms more resilient to increasing climate variability. We hope to contribute to improved national standards for organic products and determine a cost benefit to the end user. Finally, we aim to reduce energy input into the food production system by replacing energy intensive inputs with environmentally compatible recycled organic materials.



Dr Mary Cole.

CHURCH

Uniting Church Pakenham Regional Mission Area news

"Experiencing the love and life of Christ through vibrant and life changing communities and creative partnerships."

Sunday's service conducted by Rev Robert Elkhuisen was entitled "from grumbling to grace". What do we complain about. Robert asked us to speak to those near us and discuss this issue. Pastor Jo presented a prayer where she asked us to clench our fists and hold our breath and then breath out and open our hands.

The Bible reading from Exodus Ch16 1-15 shows the Hebrews complaining as they had no food. They direct their complaints to God. There are many things we can complain about such as not enough rain, suffering in the world. Can one person make a difference. God reminds of the gifts we have received and what we share. If we bless one person then things become better.

God's generosity doesn't always seem appropriate. The Hebrews were complaining about having no food. God heard the cries of the people. The complaint was justified and so God sent an answer – quails and manna.

In Matthew 20 1-16 the story of the vineyard workers shows God's generosity doesn't always seem appropriate. The landowner went and hired labourers early in the morning and put them to work. When he later in the day hired more workers he paid them the same as the ones who had been working all day. Those who had worked all day were upset and grumbled against the landowner while the landowner said to them that he had the right to pay what he wanted. Workers at this time were paid what was enough for them to live on. Itinerant labourers were vulnerable and the land owner wanted to ensure all had enough so was meeting genuine need.



Picture: UNSPLASH

Are we like this also, grumbling over grace not real need. Our complaints are from different places not real need. Sometimes life appears to be unfair but we do have what we deserve.

Can we be free to live generously for God. The love and generosity of God is the most important.

Please note that Christmas cards are available. See Wendy Rouse.

There will be a number of changes around the church building as we prepare to the Referendum. Pre-polling will begin on 2 October leading up to the referendum on Saturday 14 October.

To remember:

- Tuesday Homework Hub in recess for the holidays
- Wednesday Playgroup in recess for the holidays

- Wednesday 4 October 1.30pm Friendship Group
- Thursday 5 October 4pm Holy Communion
- Tuesday 10 October 1.30pm Beehive Craft at Fiona's
- Tuesday 12 October 10am Elders Meeting
- Thursday 19 October 4pm Holy Communion
"O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples."
Psalm 105 V1

Working towards lasting peace around the world

By Bill Kean Of The Baha'i Community Of Greater Dandenong

The overriding principle facing the world community, whatever their nation, religion, or ethnic origin, is that of laying the foundations of a global society that can reflect the oneness of human nature.

The unification of the earth's inhabitants is neither a remote utopian vision nor, ultimately, a matter of choice.

It is the next required stage in the process of social evolution, a stage toward which all the experiences of the past and present are



impelling us.

Until addressed, none of the problems afflicting our planet will find solutions.

Baha'u'llah, the Founder-Prophet of the Baha'i Faith asserts that "The wellbeing of

mankind, its peace and security, are unattainable unless and until its unity is firmly established."

We must take heart, however, in the knowledge that many dedicated people and organisations, are working on a daily basis to achieve a lasting peace on this planet.

We must also hope that their untiring efforts will bring results, as the turmoil now convulsing human affairs is bad enough and many of its consequences are already enormously destructive.

We must rise above the petty squabbles that persist, and for the sake of our children

and future generations, put all of our efforts into bringing about a unified and peaceful world.

We must practice justice in all we do and see things through our own eyes and not through the eyes of others, and should know through our own knowledge and not through the knowledge of others.

Baha'is believe wholeheartedly that God is actively involved in the world's affairs, working to His own plan, in which we have our individual part to play.

"God leaves not his children comfortless." (Baha'i Writings)



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Seagulls seduce Sweeney

By David Nagel

A long-lasting friendship and the chance to be part of the wonderful culture at the Tooradin Cricket Club has lured Michael and Peter Sweeney to the Seagulls nest this season.

Mick Sweeney will toss the coin for the first time as captain-coach of the Seagulls when the Casey Cardinia Cricket Association (CCCA) comes to life on Saturday 7 October.

Interested in the outcome of the toss will be his younger brother Pete, a left-arm finger-spinner and bat, while former teammate and current-day Tooradin star Tom Hussey will be a member of the first XI.

The first outing together will fulfill a promise the trio made to each other many years ago, with Mick and Pete making the switch to Tooradin after a three-year stint with DDCA Turf 2 club Cranbourne.

"It's been a long time coming to be honest, something we've thought about for a while," Mick Sweeney explained, with the season fast approaching.

"Pete is the same age as Tom Hussey, they went to school together, and I was a couple of year levels above.

"We played at Cranbourne together with Tom, then at Dandenong with him as well.

"I opened the batting with Huss for a couple of years in the twos and some of my fondest memories of playing cricket have been with Tom, in particular one year where we opened together and did really well.

"Tom left and went to Casey, for opportunity, and we've always said we'd play another season together.

"If not now, then I'm not sure when...so here we are."

Mick and Pete arrive on the banks of the Westernport with impeccable CV's after being lured to the great game at a young age in the confines of their family home in Pearcedale.

"Like a lot of other kids, we probably fell in love with the game in the backyard to be honest," Mick said.

"Pete's three years younger than me so as soon as he could get the arm over, we were into it.

"Like every backyard, we had our hitting zones, our out zones...if you hit my sister's pram, you were out, that type of thing.

"We were super-competitive even back then, and then when we were old enough to face a hard ball dad would take us down the



Tooradin president Ben Parrott, centre, welcomes Peter, left, and Mick Sweeney to the Seagulls nest. 362596
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road to the nets at Pearcedale.

"That's where it all began."

Mick played juniors at Cranbourne, from the age of nine through to under 17s, at the same time starting his District career at Melbourne – in the Dowling Shield and fourth XI.

Pete started a couple of years later at Dandenong, with Mick following his younger brother to Shepley Oval after watching him play one day.

Both are now life-members at Dandenong, with Mick making a first-XI century and Pete playing in a flag in 2010/11, with Mick as twelfth man.

There recent time at Cranbourne has proved frustrating, with Mick leading the club to three-consecutive finals appearances

without a flag.

Despite there appearing some unfinished business at Casey Fields, the pair have decided to move on.

"The time just felt right," Mick, a right-hand middle order bat said.

"The committee was great at Cranbourne, and it was difficult telling those people that we were going to leave.

"We finished in good positions all three years, but just couldn't get over the line, and it felt like time for a change.

"I don't have many years left and the lure of playing with Huss has always been there."

Mick said making the switch from DDCA Turf 2 to the synthetic pitches of the CCCA would provide its challenges, with teams such

as reigning-premier Kooweerup possessing a pace-battery to be wary of.

"Turf 2 in the DDCA is quite a unique competition, in the fact that it's dominated by spin," Sweeney said.

"Mostly right-arm finger spin, there were some lefties like Pete, and the odd leggie as well, but very, very spin dependent.

"Pete and I were joking that we haven't played a competitive game of synthetic cricket in over 20 years.

"And we're coming from a spin dominated competition, to a league where it's pretty medium-paced dominated.

"We're expecting the ball to move around a little bit, particularly with the red ball, and the stats suggest that batters go pretty good against the white ball as well.

"For the first time in a long time I'll have to be a fast learner, coming in with fresh eyes and learning about our team and the style and strengths of the opposition."

Mick said expectations were always high at Tooradin, who won the premiership in 2021/22 and finished top of the table last year.

"That is one of the things that is challenging, taking over a club that has always been around the mark," he said.

"That's one of the questions I asked BJ (President Ben Parrott) and Tom (Hussey), like, what do you blokes want from me...you're already a fantastic cricket club...how can I help.

"They let me know a few things they thought we could improve on, but what the club has created there in terms of the culture, that's something I want to be a part of.

"It's difficult in one sense, because they're already a great club and how do you add to that...but I also have full respect for the culture that's already been created and what we're walking in to.

"The environment that Tooradin's got is fantastic.

"Some pre-seasons can be pretty long, but this one hasn't been...I've really enjoyed it alongside blokes who get it, blokes I know, and blokes who are willing to absorb the expectation.

"Going out and enjoying the expectation of winning is fun...so we're looking forward to it.

"And it's all about the people, everywhere I've played, when I've played well and really enjoyed my cricket, it's been the people that have made it special."

Friendly rivals fine tuning their Pennant preparations

Cardinia Waters played a friendly pre-season practice game against Garfield last Tuesday.

These two clubs have a great relationship with village players regularly supporting social games and tournaments at Garfield.

Garfield filled four rinks at Cardinia Waters and both teams had a good workout followed by a pleasant social interaction afterwards.

On the bowling green it was Cardinia Waters who flexed their muscles and played to the home-ground advantage to win on all four rinks.

Three rinks won comfortably by decent margins, but the fourth was a real nail biter.

Cardinia Waters champion Ray Naylor skipped this rink against one of Garfield's best in Alan White.

'Whitey' held sway for most of the early part of the game, but it was the home four-some who finished best winning by just two shots.

Ray played with Jill Naylor, Robert Mitchell and Jim Barrie.

Their final score was 15-13...which followed Alan's rink holding an 8-0 lead after just four ends.

An outstanding result was the game won by Bill Hite's rink, consisting of Denis Patmore, Donny Gibson and Terry Nye.

In this game of 21 ends Bill and his mates won 17, and the final score was a thumping 33-6.



Opposing skips Ray Naylor (left) and Alan White shake hands after their epic battle in the Cardinia Waters v Garfield pre-season game last week. 362721
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John Van Vugt, Del Dance, Len Judge and Cathy Swinkels also recorded a decent win, beating their Garfield opponents by 17 shots.

After leading 12-0 after five ends, John Moore's rink coasted home for a 26-16 victory against Lexi Taylor's four.

John was assisted by Michele Bondfield, Jeni Edmonds and Lorraine Devine.

Next Tuesday the village players will play an away practice game at the Narre Warren dome.

For many Cardinia Waters players this will be their first experience on the under-cover Narre Warren complex.

Those who have experienced these new facilities say they are a great place to bowl.

The Cardinia Waters Bowls Club Opening Day is set down for October 7 commencing at 9:30am.

Club identity Tom Gogan will roll the first Jack, and reigning club champion Ray Naylor will roll the opening bowl.



Len Judge was part of a winning rink for Cardinia Waters on Tuesday.

Ray will no doubt use his new Henselite XG bowls on this occasion.

After a social bowl all attending will enjoy lunch in the village clubhouse.

Cardinia Waters has two more practice games before the season opens.

One is on October 10 at Kooweerup, and the latter at Lang Lang on October 14.

Players are reminded that October 14 is also referendum day.

The first Saturday Pennant game for Cardinia Waters is a home game on October 21 against Upwey Tecoma.

Midweek Pennant starts on the following Tuesday.

-John Moore



Casey trio Mikayla McDonald, Matt Light and Emma Harris pictured at the awards night. 363086
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Matt Light directed from the back half.



Mikayla McDonald controls the play.

Cannons quartet selected

By Jonty Ralphsmith

Casey had four selections in the Vic League 1 men's and women's teams of the year at the Hockey Victoria presentation night on Friday 22 September.

Cannons skipper Matthew Light was the sole men's representative, named in the backline, having toiled hard in a difficult season for his team.

"He always puts in 100 per cent effort," said coach Steve Noney.

"He's always solid down back, and difficult to get through and around.

"He directs the backline and sets us up going forward: he's very dependable."

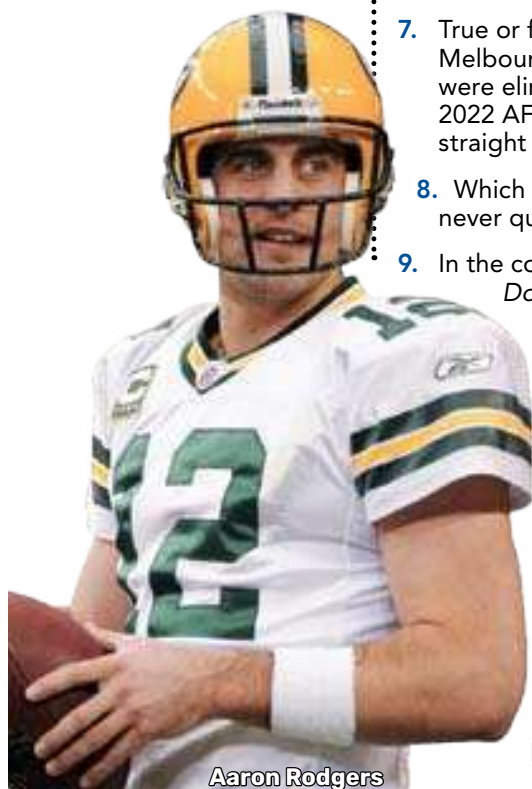
Women's players Emma Harris and Mikayla

McDonald were named as strikers, combining for 21 of Casey's goals.

After immediately rocketing the Cannons up to third on the VL1 ladder in their first season at the level, Jim Galanos was named coach of the year.

SPORTS QUIZ

- Radio personality Chrissie Swan announced that an interview with which former sports star was the 'worst experience' of her career?
- Australian runner Stewart McSweyn broke a 17-year national record at which Diamond League meeting racing event in Brussels?
- Who will Australian Tim Tszyu fight in the highly anticipated fight on October 15th?
- And which state will host the fight?
- Which tennis tournament is returning to the summer season?
- In climbing sports, what does the term 'beta' mean?
- True or false: the Melbourne Demons were eliminated from the 2022 AFL finals season in straight sets (two losses)?
- Which AFL team has never qualified for finals?
- In the comedy film *Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story*, what was the name of the underdog team?
- Matildas goalkeeper Mackenzie Arnold plays for which Super League club?
- Which AFL star is known by the nickname Bazlenka?



Aaron Rodgers

- Which legendary Australian athlete recently had a stand at Sydney's Accor Stadium named after her?
- Which NRL team used to be known by the name Eastern Suburbs?
- Which Australian swimming star is known by the nicknames Arnie and Terminator?
- Jamaica has won 87 Olympic medals in athletics and a single medal in what other event?
- Which soccer coach was recently nominated for Men's Best Coach at the annual FIFA Awards?
- Former AFL star Dani Laidley played for and also coached which team?
- NFL quarterback Aaron Rodgers was injured in his first game with which team?
- The Athletics are a Major League Baseball team based in which US city?
- What nation is currently first place in the FIBA Men's Basketball World Rankings?



Kyra Gooney-Cross

- GWS Giants coach Adam Kingsley played 170 games for which AFL club?
- Which national cricket team did India defeat to win the 2023 ACC Men's Asia Cup?
- Australian golf professional Lucas Herbert hails from which regional Victorian city?
- Matildas midfielder Kyra Cooney-Cross plays for which Women's Super League club?
- Australian mixed martial artist Jack Della Maddalena competes in which UFC weight division?
- How many ACC Men's Asia Cup titles has India won?
- Which Australian golf professional won the LPGA's 2023 Queen City Championship?
- Which national team defeated Australia, for the first time in 69 years, at the 2023 Rugby World Cup?
- By what score did South Africa defeat Australia in their 2023 series of five One Day Internationals?
- Australian middle-distance runner Linden Hall holds the national record over which distance?

1. Sam Newman 2. 2000 metres 3. Brian Mendoza 4. Queensland 5. The mixed team United Cup 6. Any help or advice from another climber in regards to a climb 7. True 8. Gold Coast Suns 9. Average Joe's Adelaide 10. West Ham United 11. Bailey Smith 12. Cathy Freeman 13. Sydney Roosters 14. Arnie Timmus 15. Cycling 16. Ange Postecoglou 17. North Melbourne 18. New York Jets 19. Gold Coast Suns 20. US 21. Port Adelaide 22. Sri Lanka 23. Bendigo 24. Arsenal 25. Weterweight 26. Eight 27. Minjee Lee 28. Fiji 29. 3-2 30. 1500 metres

Let's Talk Sport

WITH DAVE NAGEL, JONTY RALPHSMITH AND MARCUS UHE



Rosellas, rump and Pies

DAVE: Alright boys, local footy season is now officially over after an incredible weekend of grand finals. Jonty, you were at Moorabbin watching Cheltenham get over the top of Cranbourne, and Marcus, you were at Officer to see a high-scoring Wandin take the title away from Narre Warren. Jonty, start us off with your best action moment from the weekend.

JONTY: My best action was just how symbolic certain aspects of the game were. Cheltenham almost kicked themselves out of the game in the first quarter, and first 20 minutes of the second. No matter how hard they tried, they just couldn't get one through the big sticks. Two moments, 10 minutes apart, were so symbolic of this. A Cheltenham player had a shot on goal from 50; it landed just inside the goal-line and took a rip-snorting leg-break into the goal-post. It was like 'what do they need to do to get a goal here.' And then Shaun Keenan from Cranbourne, about seven minutes later, dribbles one over the Cheltenham full back's head. He's standing on the line, ready to sling-shot out, and it bounces over his head for a goal. At that point it felt like everything was going Cranbourne's way.

MARCUS: Didn't Cheltenham kick a goal a bit later from a severe leg-break?

JONTY: Swings and roundabouts I suppose, but Cranbourne definitely had the breaks early.

DAVE: So that's your best action moment?

JONTY: Yes it is.

MARCUS: It's a bit of a stretch for best action moment.

DAVE: It is a stretch, but we'll let it go...it's been a long footy season for the young fella.

MARCUS: That's true, and he was in late this morning.

JONTY: I just can't believe how it finished for Cranbourne to be honest.

DAVE: We'll touch on that shortly mate. Marcus, what was your best action moment?

MARCUS: Mine is similar to yours last week Dave, given that you were in the perfect spot to see Will Hams kick the sealer for Inverloch. Mine was similar, I was on the wing, there was a stoppage around Wandin's half-forward line and they had just chained three or four handballs together. It spits out to Joel Garner, running towards the boundary on his left foot, and he kicks a drop punt that sails through. Everyone around was SAYING 'he can't do this, can he?', and then we all do the head-TILT as it goes through. It was early in the second half and it made it six goals in a row to Wandin. It was just class, and Narre had no hope of coming back if Garner was doing things like that.

DAVE: Question without notice boys...Jonty, tell us your thoughts on the game. Cranbourne was 17 points up at the 18-minute mark of the last quarter weren't they?

JONTY: Correct, and I just feel shattered for Cranbourne. It's a difficult one to assess, because both teams would have felt stiff to lose, but Cranbourne had the running by three or four goals all day. My thoughts are that Cranbourne panicked a bit late, and Cheltenham pounced on that vulnerability in the final stages.

DAVE: Marcus, your thoughts on Wandin and Narre?

MARCUS: It was tight, and then Wandin kicked the last five goals leading into half time for a five-goal lead. It looked like Wandin had been playing all the way through September, while Narre didn't look sharp after a couple of two-week breaks. In my preview I wrote that only four points in total had separated them throughout the year, so whoever won was going to earn it. To do it in such emphatically fashion, winning by 10 goals, it certainly caught a lot of us off-guard. That's because Narre has been a powerhouse, people are familiar with them...but Wandin was simply unstoppable.

THE STAR OF THE DISH

DAVE: Now boys, on Sunday night I shared a



The hero of the dish, Will Hams...with crackle on top. 361011

Picture: ROB CAREW

pic of me cooking a BBQ for dinner and then Marcus fired back with the most magnificent looking barbecued steak I've ever seen in my life...

MARCUS: It was a scotch fillet Dave, and absolutely delicious.

DAVE: That's great to hear. But it also had the trimmings, and it got me thinking...at your grand finals on Saturday who was the hero of the dish. Who was the scotch fillet and who were the trimmings? Marcus, we start with you.

MARCUS: I feel bad for Cody Hirst, given he was awarded best on ground, but I think the scotch fillet for Wandin was Aaron Mullett. He kicked six goals, and the impact he had this season was immense. He kicked 43 goals in 10 games, and every time he played you could see he was a class above the competition. So, he's the scotch fillet, but I also like sauteed onions with my steak, they're the perfect complement, and the perfect complement for Mullett on Saturday was Patty Hodgett. He kicked five, and was the lead up marking player, where Mullett was more buzzing around. The vegetables are the back six, the more experienced guys in the team, like John Ladner, Tom Hinds, Todd Garner, who have played a lot of footy together and just complement each other so well. The fries are Joel Garner, arguably the highlight of the plate, and they need to come in late when they're hot. He came in off the back of some strong VFL form and really added flavour to the Wandin plate. And last, but not least, the garlic butter...for its ability to spread and influence the whole plate...was Cody Hirst and his fellow midfielders.

DAVE: (Applauding Marcus) Jonty, you have massive shoes to fill here after that magnificent description.

JONTY: I've gone a little bit different - I've gone different types of meat. I've gone Dyl Cavalot as the medium-rare rump steak, he's really come into his own as...

MARCUS: You've given him rump steak?

JONTY: Yes, rump steak, and he's so long been the side trimmings at Cranbourne, behind your Barkers and Roscoes, but I thought he really delivered on the big stage on Saturday. Brandon Osborne, the veteran captain, he's the well-done rib-eye, and not the reason why they lost the game. The ball would have come into him and Josh Fox 15 to 20 times in the first half, and Brandon did well to limit his impact. And Ollie Moran and Dylan Weickhardt from Cheltenham are the well-oiled vegetables because they're a big part of a very well-oiled machine.

DAVE: Outstanding Jonty...you boys have taken this to levels I didn't expect.

MARCUS: Pressure's on...

DAVE: Boys, this is easy, I've got a bloke called Will Hams who was best on ground for Inverloch and kicked three goals...he has to be the

star of the plate - a beautifully cooked piece of pork, with the crackle on top.

MARCUS: Is the crackle on top the helmet that Will wears? (Boys all laugh at that one)

DAVE: Nice one Marcus. Will is a bit like Aaron Mullett, just looks a class above with his decision making and disposal at times. Ethan Park, a grunt midfielder who made the Team of the Year, he was your nicely-cooked spuds, carrots and pumpkin.

JONTY: Reliable...

DAVE: Exactly Jonty, reliable. He did everything right; he didn't fumble, he didn't make a mistake, it was the perfect game from an inside mid. Nick Baltas, we need to complement the pork, so Nick Baltas is the secondary hero of the dish...the mint sauce. He puts the finishing touches on another already delicious meal.

MARCUS: Just quickly, when I played under-9's footy with Nick Baltas - 17 years ago - I never thought we'd be comparing him to mint sauce.

DAVE: That's how LTS rolls mate; and Andy Soumilas, five league best and fairests, and now five premierships under his belt, a man who doesn't age...he's the tin of extremely expensive black caviar. A luxurious condiment to the pork, vegetables and mint sauce. Boys, we enjoyed that way too much (boys nod and giggle).

CRICKET TRANSITION

DAVE: Just quickly boys, all three of us have started our cricket previews for this year. Jonty, which team has the highest excitement levels heading into the summer?

JONTY: The club that is most excited by what is to come is Silvertown, in DDCA Turf 3. Speaking to people around the league as well, they carry a lot of intrigue because they've brought in a lot of players. They were quite disorganised last year, but they recruited early and have prepared well. Fountain Gate is in a similar boat, their fitness and fielding...the one percenters...are a lot better this year, and they made top-four last season. The one that is speaking a big game is Doveton North in Turf 3, coming up from Turf 4. They've recruited well, and everyone is expecting big things from them this season. They're in for a baptism of fire in round one, playing Coomoora, who was in the grand final last year. We will know early how they're going to stack up.

DAVE: Very well answered Jonty...Marcus?

MARCUS: You mentioned Doveton North, the team I'm about to mention, Hallam Kalora Park, their spinner Sachith Jayasingha has left for Doveton North. Matthew Cox at Hallam Kalora Park is very excited about what they can bring. A couple of key inclusions; Mahela Udawatte, from Buckley Ridges, he is going to slot in beautifully to their top order alongside Leigh Booth and Jordy Hammond. And they've picked up a spinner, Charith Keerthisinghe, to replace Jayasingha. He was the second lead-

ing wicket taker in the Leongatha and District competition last season, playing two-day cricket for Phillip Island. They got him specifically with his two-day experience in mind. I'm expecting Hallam Kalora Park to take the next step.

DAVE: In Casey Cardinia, I'm looking for improvement for a team outside the regular top four of Kooweerup, Pakenham, Cardinia and Tooradin...although Tooradin can talk a big game because they've got the Sweeney boys from Cranbourne. But Mat Campbell from Merinda Park is the one I was most excited to talk to. They've lost a few, but picked up a heap of recruits this year and they seem really invested in what they're doing this season. Mat spoke about the recruits, but also about the excitement of playing at a new ground - they're moving from Donnelly Reserve to Tony Way - and other things like how many sponsors they've attracted. They're up and about the Cobras, reinvigorated, so it will be exciting to see what they can do when round one comes around.

AFL GRAND FINAL

DAVE: Jonty, our boys, are in the big one this week...what happens, and give me your Norm Smith Medallist?

JONTY: I don't trust Brisbane in Melbourne in September, their record is too brittle, and that's given me confidence. The Dan McStay injury hurts, but I'm tipping Collingwood to win in a close game. And, this is recorded on Monday, but I'm tipping Nick Daicos to win the Brownlow tonight, the premierships on Saturday, and a Norm Smith Medal to boot.

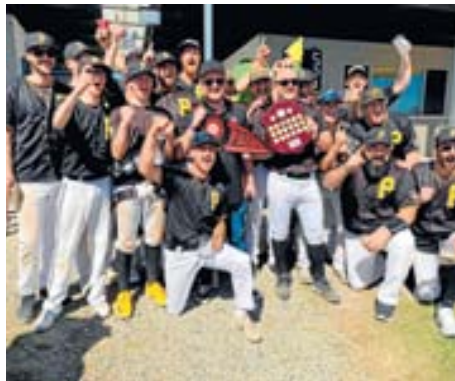
DAVE: Marcus...does a 28-degree forecast help Brisbane.

MARCUS: Yes it does. I'm similar to Jonty here; I think there are doubts on Brisbane's ability to get it done in Melbourne. I think Collingwood are battle-hardened and have done it in close situations every second week. I'm tipping Collingwood, and Jack Crisp for the Norm Smith Medal. I think he's supremely underrated and I think every team would love him in their side.

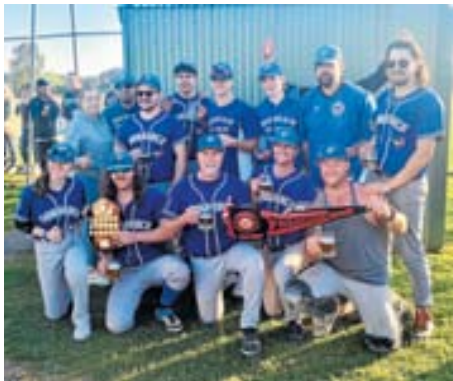
JONTY: And his wife is expecting any day...

DAVE: Well Jonty, great segue, because 55 years ago this Saturday, another lady was expecting, my mum, because on grand final day I turn 55 and my eldest son Jamie turns 30...he was born on the same day. A premierships would be a perfect birthday present for us both. Look, being a Collingwood supporter, you lose more grand finals than you win, but I think this is our year. It's the Pies by 17 points, and Isaac Quaynor will win some key one-on-ones with Charlie Cameron - keep him quiet - and win the Norm Smith Medal.

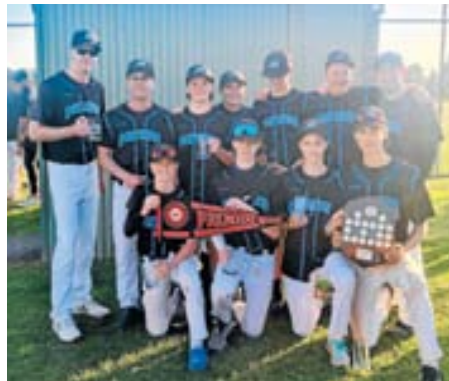
Enjoy boys, and we'll catch you next week for our combined Footy Team of the Year for 2023.



A2 Premiers: Mornington.



B1 Premiers: Bonbeach.



C1 Premiers: Moorabbin.



C2 Premiers: Dandenong.

Pumas...all bases covered

By David Nagel

A dream of the Pakenham Pumas Baseball Club came true over the weekend with the club's facilities at Toomuc Reserve hosting winter grand finals for the Dandenong Baseball Association (DBA).

Big crowds flocked to the weekend extravaganza of baseball, with four games played on Saturday - and the culmination of the season taking place with the A1, A2 and Women's grand finals on Sunday.

The Pumas were represented by the club's C1 team on Saturday, who unfortunately went down 7-5 to Moorabbin after a competitive and hard-fought affair.

The Pumas were thrilled to host the biggest event on the DBA calendar after a frustrating few years.

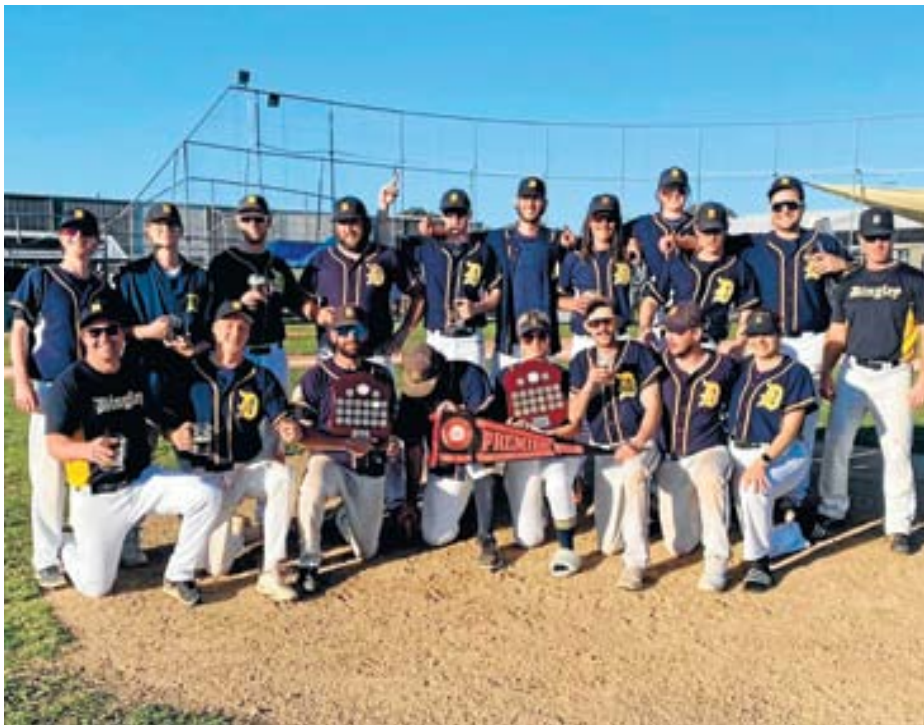
"This was the culmination of a very long journey for our baseball club; the dream to host the DBA senior grand finals after being overlooked for so long and with the weather against us last year," a spokesperson said.

"But this year it all came together.

"We want to thank the Dandenong Baseball Association for the opportunity, the Cardinia Shire Council for its help to get our grounds and facilities looking fantastic, and to all of the clubs and players that made the trip down the highway and provided a wonderful display of baseball for all to enjoy.

"But mostly we want to thank each of the individuals who gave up their own time, both behind the scenes and around the club this weekend, to make the whole thing possible.

"You should all be so proud of how you have



A1 Premiers: Dingley. 363423

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represented our club to the wider baseball community and we are truly thankful."

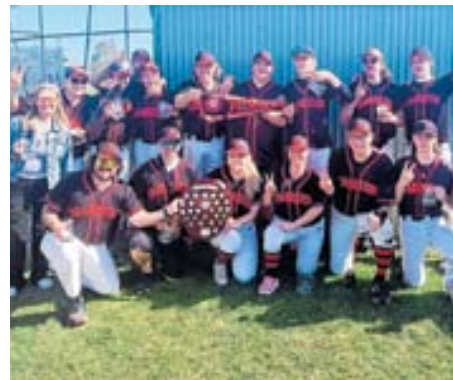
The DBA was thrilled with Pakenham's hosting of its major event.

"Congratulations Pakenham Pumas Baseball Club on a fantastic end to the season...

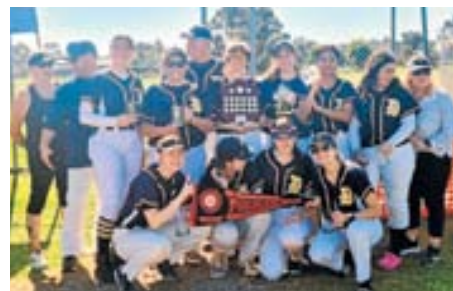
your club and volunteers did an amazing job."

DANDENONG BASEBALL ASSOCIATION Grand Final Results

Saturday
 B1 Bonbeach 11 v Frankston 0
 B2 Chelsea 4 v Frankston 14



B2 Premiers: Frankston.



Women's Premiers: Dingley.

C1 Moorabbin 7 v Pakenham 5
 C2 Dandenong 13 v Chelsea 6
Sunday
 A1 Dandenong 2 v Dingley 9
 A2 Frankston 3 v Mornington 5
 Women's Frankston 5 v Dingley 15

Cheryl wins out in a Stockdale shoot-out at Lang Lang

LANG LANG GOLF

A family feud has almost broken out after a cracking field of 147 players converged on a pristine Lang Lang Golf Club on Saturday for a game of single stableford.

In Division 1, Stephen Rawlings was the winner with 40 points, while Rena Casey scored 39 points to claim second place on a countback from Ray Zammit.

But it was in Division 2 where husband and wife settled down for a shootout, with Cheryl Stockdale scoring 39 points to win by a countback from her husband Keith.

Michael Fahey was just one shot back in third place with 38 points.

Division 3 results.

Winner: Scott Rushby with 41 points.

Runner up: Libby Dehey with 40 points by countback. Third: Andrew McMenamin.

Ball rundown to 36 points

Nearest the pins: 5th Peter Butler, 9th Gary Jollands, 12th Matthew Skinner and 15th Darren Rooke.

Third hole second shot (0-18): Taylor Rae. (19+) Scott Rushby.

■ Tuesday Stableford (Greens renovated) Field of 82

Division 1: Winner: Shaun Mays 43 points. Runner Up: Gary Jollands 41 points.

Division 2: Winner: Chris Kelsall 41 points.

Runner Up: Richard Oldham 39 points.

Ball rundown to 35 points.

Nearest the pins: 5th Thomas Reid, 9th Gary Jollands, 12th Dave Austin and 15th Chris Tuckwell.

■ Wednesday Ladies Stableford (Greens renovated)

Winner: Anne Wedlock 39 points by countback.

Runner Up: Maria Warburton.

Ball rundown to 38 points.

Nearest the pins: 9th Lee Andrews and 15th Maria Warburton.

■ Thursday Stableford - Field of 64

Division 1: Winner: Bill Merrigan with 40 points. Runner up: Perry O'Connor with 36 points.

Division 2: Winner: Peter Moore with 43 points.

Runner up: Ron Constantine with 42 points.

Ball rundown to 35 points.

Nearest the pins: 5th John Scales, 9th Laurie Burgess, 12th Roger Parker and 15th David Chadwick.

■ Sunday Stableford

Winner: Michael Insall with 38 points.

Runner Up: Troy Harrison with 36 points.

With the green renovation now complete the course is in fantastic order.

Competition days and weekends are getting pretty busy with the weather improving so it is always advisable to book in to avoid missing out.

Upcoming competitions include regular comps on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, with a special Stableford competition running on Friday for the grand final public holiday.

-Jodie Mays



Foursomes winners of the South Gippsland Women's Minor Championships, Heather Payne, left, and Megan Barker. 362950
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June Woznica Perpetual Trophy winners from Drouin Golf and Country Club, from left; Anne Neilson, Shirley Roberts and Michelle Fairlie. 362980
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Tom Cowie lets one fly at Garfield Golf Club on Saturday. 330461
Picture: STEWART CHAMBERS

Drouin girls hit peak form

DROUIN GOLF

On Sunday 17 September, Golf West Gippsland held a Three-Person Ambrose event as part of the lead up to the Country Teams competition at Trafalgar Golf Club.

Drouin ladies Shirley Roberts, Michelle Fairlie and Anne Neilson took home the June Woznica Perpetual Trophy in the women's team category with a fantastic nett score of 65. Congratulations girls.

The Country Teams event is being held this week - Monday 25 September to Wednesday 27, hosted by Traralgon, Yallourn and Trafalgar golf clubs. Drouin has three representatives in the women's West Gippsland team - Leanne Pollard, Shirley Roberts and Sharon Rippon (Emergency).

Best of luck girls and to the West Gippsland team in general.

Tuesday 3 October is the Monthly Medal. October 24 is our Drouin Nursery, 4BBB Gymkhana Day, entry forms available at the club.

Drouin Ladies played a Two-Person Stableford Multiplier on Tuesday 19 September.

The winners were Bev Goodwin (35) and Marion Devlin (34) with a score of 84 points.

Runners up were Sharon Rippon (16) and Glenda Warren (22) with 78 points.

Down the line balls went to Michelle Fairlie (30) and Valerie Crow (31) with 70 points.

There were also some great individual scores with Bev Goodwin scoring 44 points and Valerie Crow on 40 points.

Nearest the pins went to 5th Vanessa Campbell (54 cms) earning her the Crow's Nest prize, 8th Judy Dixon, 8th 2nd Shot Val Crow and Leanne Pollard on the 10th and 14th.

Saturday 23 September: 4BBB Stableford winners were Judy Dixon (20) and Vanessa Campbell (27) with 43 points.

Saturday

The Saturday competition at Drouin Golf and Country Club was a 4BBB event with 63 eager pairs competing.

Some great scoring was definitely a theme for the day.

The winning team was Gary Florence and James Wagner who won on a countback with 47 points.

Jensen and Dave Cavanagh finished runner up also with 47 points.

Third place on a countback went to Rob Christie and Mark Klaver with 46 points and fourth place went to Dave Johnson and Andrew Anderson also with 46 points.

Down the lines went to Michael Smith and Garry Burns 45, Pete Daniel and Shane Dehaan 45, Bob Naismith and Mark Stewart 45, Marcus Cameron and Ross Stewart 45, Darren Wolfenbuttel and Duart Perrin 45, Pete Downward and Reg Dixon 44, Benny Wyatt and Daryl Bryce 44 and Pete Jolley and Glenn Bayne 44.

Nearest the pins went to 5th Neil Wyatt (Pro Pin), 8th Rohan Berkhout (Commercial Hotel Warragul), 10th John Hutcheon (Sharkey's Barber Shop) and 14th Dean Jones (Siam Pesto Restaurant).

Target-Hole winner was Dave Cavanagh on the 1st hole.

Sunday's Medley competition was won by Jack McConville with 37 points.

On Wednesday, after early morning rain had cleared, 49 players competed in the mid-week Stableford competition.

A Grade saw Shane Dwyer shoot three birdies in his round to finish with 40 points, winning by five points over runner up Simon Appleby with 35 points. B Grade saw two great scores of 41 points handed in.

Graham Austin blitzed the back nine to win on a countback from Simon Caygill.

The Super Six winner was Blaze Bester with 15 points.

Down the lines went to Bernie Coyle 39, Eric Robbins 39, Ray Haley 38, Laurie Pyle 38, Eddy Van Der Plight 37 and Rob Piner 36.

Nearest the pins went to 5th George Shand, 8th Shane Dwyer, 10th and 14th Simon Appleby.

Upcoming competitions are all stableford... midweek, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

-Glenn Robinson and Sharon Rippon

GARFIELD GOLF

Garfield member Matt Ross has made it a fortnight to remember by winning the 2023 54-Hole Midweek Championship with a three-round total of 112 points.

Coming off two wins last week, Ross fought off the challengers, defeating Trevor Male by a solitary point over the lengthy three-round journey.

A great field of 130 players turned out in glorious weather on Saturday for the day's competition of single stableford.

A final score of 32 points back to a countback was required to finish in the money.

Andrew Hale got the A Grade win by a countback from Richard Perry with a final score of 37 points, whilst Peter Bogart broke a long run of outs to get the B Grade win with a

score of 39 points.

Malcolm Hirt - the man with seven career Garfield Monthly Medals to his name - won the C Grade event by a countback from Martin Dinsdale with a handicap round of 36 points.

Cam McCormick took out the D Grade event also by a countback from Ron Zomer with a score of 40 points.

A total of 22 players were able to play to, or better their handicap for the day.

On a great day for the iron players, a total of 19 birdies were scored on the par threes.

The 11th was most accommodating, giving up six of those.

On Thursday a field of 79 presented for play with Colin Crowle, another recent winner, getting the A Grade win by a countback from Peter Scott with a score of 40 points.

Alan Borch was the best in for the B Grade event with a final score of 39 points, defeating Gavin De Jager and Michael Banger by a solitary point.

A handicap round of 36 points back to a countback was the number to finish in the money.

Bob Calderara continued on with his great form by coming in with a score of 38 points, which included a nearest the pin and two birdies for his round.

A total of 20 players were able to match or better their handicap for the day.

Deanna Hargreaves had the week's best round with a Tuesday winning score of 45 points.

Veteran golfers please take note that the next event is at Mirboo North this Wednesday 27 September. This Saturday is a game of single stableford.

RESULTS

■ Sunday/ Single Stableford/Field of 30
Winner: Jayden Mack (18) 38 C/B, second Clint Williams (8) 38, third Trevor Thompson (14) 36.

Down the lines went to all those with scores of 34 points or better (5).

Nearest the pins went to 4th Harry Elyasie, 8th Heath Barclay, 9th Mark Delaney, 11th Tony Power, 14th Dean Shannon and 16th Clint Williams.

■ Monday/Single Stableford/Field of 59
A Grade: Ron Seamer (17) 42, second Ross Mackenzie (20) 41.

B Grade: Chris James (32) 40, second Glenn Charles (29) 39.

Down the lines went to all those with 34 points or better (11).

■ Tuesday/Ladies/Single Stableford/Field of 19

Winner: Deanna Hargreaves (38) 45.

Nearest the pins went to 4th Kerrie Davey, 8th Jeanette Mitchell, 9th Deb Huyskens, 11th Shirley McGrath, 14th Gail Franklin and 16th Leesa Matthews

■ Thursday/Single Stableford/Field of 79

A Grade: Colin Crowle (13) 40 C/B, second Peter Scott (18) 40, third Ray Phillips (20) 39 C/B.

B Grade: Alan Borch (29) 39, second Gavin De Jager (26) 38 C/B, third Michael Banger (26) 38 C/B.

Down the lines went to all those with scores of 36 points or better back to a count back (14).

Nearest the pins went to 4th Ray Phillips, 8th Malcolm Hirt, 9th Ron Parsons, 11th Bob Calderara, 14th Craig Cousin and 16th Colin Crowle.

■ Mid-Week 54 Hole Championships

Winner: Matt Ross 112, from Trevor Male 11, Ray Pund 109, Terry Bull 109, Tony Mafodda 108 and Craig Cousin 108.

■ Saturday/Single Stableford/Field of 130

A Grade: Andrew Hale (11) 37 C/B, second Richard Perry (10) 37, third Peter Black (12) 36 C/B.

B Grade: Peter Bogart (17) 39, second David Zaffarese (16) 38, third Graham White (17) 37.

C Grade: Malcolm Hirt (21) 36 C/B, second Martin Dinsdale (21) 36, third Andrew Patten (21) 35.

D Grade: Cam McCormick (23) 40 C/B, second Ron Zomer (33) 40 C/B, third Jake Jeffrey (26) 40.

Down the lines went to all those with scores of 32 points or better back to a countback (35).

Eagle: 5th Russ Loughridge.

Nearest the pins went to 4th Brett Dwyer, 8th John Curtin, 9th Scott Hathaway, 11th Peter Johnson, 14th Dean Shannon and 16th Martin Dinsdale.

Second Shots: A Grade: Chris Davies. B Grade: Damien Martini. C Grade: Steve Clark.

■ Saturday/Ladies/Single Stableford

Winner: Bernie Clark (16) 35.

Nearest the pins went to Bernie Clark on the fourth and 16th.

■ Captains Trophy/Match Play/Semi Finals

Clint Williams defeated Peter Marquis 5/4.

Peter McNeish defeated Nick Gray - Extra Hole.

-Terry Webster



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