

FOSTER. FISH CREEK. TOORA. WELSHPOOL. WILSONS PROM.



# PROM COAST FESTIVAL

2023 PROGRAM

10-12 MARCH 2023



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## EXPLORE OUR GALLERIES

### PROM COAST FESTIVAL – GALLERIES OPEN 10-12 MARCH 2023

**Alison Lester Gallery.** 1 Falls Road, Fish Creek.  
*10 am – 3 pm each day*

**Celia Rosser Gallery.** 1791 Meeniyan-Prom Road, Fish Creek.  
*11 am – 2 pm Saturday and Sunday only*

**Foster and District Historical Museum.** Main Street, Foster.  
*Saturday & Sunday 11am – 3pm*

**Luminous Glass Studio and Shop.** Main Street, Foster.  
*Friday, Saturday & Sunday 11am - 3pm*

**Rare Earth Studio Gallery.** 44 Stanley Street, Toora.  
*10 am – 4 pm each day*

**Ride the Wild Goat.** 5 Falls Road, Fish Creek.  
*Saturday & Sunday 10.30 am – 4.30 pm*

**Sandy Point Galley.** 33 Beach Parade, Sandy Point.  
*9 am – 6 pm each day*

**Stefani Hill Top Gallery.** Keanes Road, Fish Creek.  
*10 am – 5 pm each day*

**Stockyard Gallery.** 1 Main Street, Foster.  
*10 am – 4 pm each day*

**The Handmakers Store.** 17 Falls Road, Fish Creek.  
*10 am – 3 pm each day*

**Wallace & Wallace Sculpture & Photography**  
*19 Falls Road, Fish Creek*  
*Fridays to Mondays - 10am to 4pm*

Celebrating the wonderful  
People, Places & Produce  
of the Prom Coast.  
LABOUR DAY WEEKEND 2023.  
10TH TO 12TH MARCH



*Discover more.*



## WELCOME

Welcome to the 2023 Prom Coast Festival. We acknowledge the Bunurong and GunaiKurnai people as the traditional custodians of South Gippsland and pay respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of Australia.

This is the ninth iteration of the Biennial Festival that began in 2007, and once again we showcase events organised by community groups for the region's artists, creators, performers and produce growers.

As you browse this booklet there will be decisions to make about what to see and when, and what not to miss! We make no apologies for this, as the program is packed with music, food, books, games and lots of fun!

Our thanks to all our sponsors, donors and volunteers who have generously supported this year's event.

Enjoy!

**Prom Coast Festival Committee**

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## FESTIVAL OPENING

This Invitation Only Event celebrates the opening of 2023's Prom Coast Festival! Cheese and small goods supplied by Berry Creek Cheeses. Wine by Corner Inlet Winery and Peg & Bull Prosecco. Golden Creek Olives and Olive Oil. Cider by Gurneys Cidery. Live Music.

**Sponsored by LKD Livestock.**

**6-8pm Friday 10th March 2023.**  
**Foster War Memorial Arts Centre,**  
**79 Main Street Foster.**  
**Invitation Only**



FRI

## WHEELCHAIR RELAY RACE

Come and watch the fun as kids and adults race around the fitness track in wheelchairs! All funds raised go towards providing wheelchairs for kids in developing countries who can't afford their own.

**12pm - 5pm. Friday 10th March 2023.**  
**Foster Primary School, 75 Pioneer Street Foster**  
**FREE Event. Donations welcome.**



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## BOOK CHAT AT FOSTER LIBRARY

Come along and hear library staff chat about their latest and favourite reads. Bring along a book to share and browse our new books! Event is free but places are limited.

**2.30 - 3.30pm, Friday 10th March 2023.**  
**Foster Library, 9 Main St, Foster.**  
**FREE Event. Bookings direct through the library (03) 5682 1735**

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## WELSHPOOL GARDEN SHOW

Welshpool & District Horticultural Society Inc presents their 62nd Autumn Show! Healthy plants for sale from onsite nursery.

**1.30 - 5.00pm Friday 10th & 10.00 - 4.00pm Saturday 11th March 2023.**  
**Official opening at 2pm Friday 10th March 2023.**  
**Welshpool Memorial Hall, 49 Main Street Welshpool.**  
**\$5 per adult. Children free**



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## MELBOURNE SKA ORCHESTRA

### 20 YEARS YOUNG!

From the fun loving humble beginnings in St. Kilda to the international stages of Glastonbury, Istanbul, Montreal, Edinburgh, New York and beyond, the band has steered their ramshackle train into the hearts of many.

Initially formed to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the birth of Ska (1963-2003), their infectious energy soon earned them a coveted slot at Bluesfest and WOMADelaide, a recording contract and accolades from all over the world. Two ARIA award wins cemented their reputation as one of Australia's best live acts, while three of their songs were chosen for a UK feature film about Ska.

The band have matched the appreciation with a work ethic that is second to none. To date they have released 7 albums, including a nigh impossible mission of recording a song a week for a whole year, the ARIA award winning 52 Fridays - One Year of Ska. This record celebrates the first 20-year chapter of a journey that is still going strong.

To celebrate 20 years of Melbourne Ska Orchestra, the band is releasing a limited edition Best of Vinyl and hitting the road to bring their signature International Big Band Ska Sound to stages across the country and is our showcase event for Prom Coast Festival 2023!

**The Prom Coast Festival Committee thanks the South Gippsland Shire Council , Visit Gippsland and FRRR for their sponsorship of this event.**



**7.30pm Saturday 11th March 2023.  
Foster War Memorial Arts Centre, 79 Main Street Foster.  
\$55 per person. Book via QR Code.**





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## NICKY BOMBA - PERCUSSION WORKSHOP

He has been a blazing creative spark in Australian music for decades: drummer in the John Butler Trio on classic albums Sunrise Over Sea, April Uprising and Flesh & Blood; the driving force behind Melbourne Ska Orchestra, the giant brass collective. He is a multi-instrumentalist, producer and songwriter who has played in bands from Bomba to Bustamento and worked with greats like Joe Camilleri (their 2005 album Limestone) and Ross Hannaford (the Bomba-produced 1996 album Ross Hannaford Trio is reissued on Bomba's label Transmitter Records).

**2 - 3pm Saturday 11th March 2023.**

**Foster Secondary College Music Department, 2/10 Pioneer Street Foster.  
Gold Coin Donation to South Gippsland Schools Music Program.**

SAT

## LEARN CARTOONING @WOOF

Come down to the Stockyard Gallery in Foster to participate in a cartooning workshop! Cartoonist Brett Cardwell from Cardytoons will teach you how to draw cartoons of your dog! Pencils and sketchbooks will be provided. Bring a small cushion to sit on!

**Sponsored by the Bendigo Community Bank  
Toora & Foster**

**10am - 11.30am Saturday 11th March 2023**

**1pm - 3.30pm Saturday 11th March 2023**

**Stockyard Gallery, 12 McDonald Street Foster.**

**\$10 per child. Bookings Required.**

**Book via QR Code.**



**FUN EVENT FUN FOR 5+ YRS**

**Learn to DRAW CARTOONS**

with Brett Cardwell from Cardytoons

**@ the 'WOOF' EXHIBITION**

HEY FAMILIES! PENCILS & SKETCHBOOKS WILL BE PROVIDED!

Please bring a small cushion to sit on.

**\$10 Per Child**

**DRAW CARTOONS OF YOUR DOG**

**Saturday 11th March 2023**  
10am-11:30am & 1pm-2:30pm

**WOOF EXHIBITION**  
@ Stockyard Gallery  
12 McDonald St, Foster

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## MEET AUTHOR JANEEN WEBB

Local author Janeen Webb will be at Foster Library to talk about writing fantasy fiction. She will be reading an excerpt from one of her titles and then give us some insight into writing fantasy fiction, followed by audience questions.

**11.30am - 12.30pm, Saturday 11th March 2023.**

**Foster Library, 9 Main St, Foster.**

**FREE Event for Teens and Adults**

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## HANNAH'S GO-GO ZONE

Dance along with Hannah Bradsworth and learn the moves to some of Hannah's favourite songs.

Hannah's Go-go Zone is infectious and a great workout. Baker Boy, The Jacksons, Jessica Mauboy and more! Hannah will bring you her favourite, awesome and fun dance crazes for everyone to copy along and enjoy.

**12pm, Saturday 11th March 2023.**

**Foster Library Entrance, 9 Main St, Foster.**

**FREE Event**

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## DEGUSTATION AT "19" AT FOSTER GOLF CLUB

A real treat overlooking the fairways! Natural oysters with fresh garnish, Gippsland Lamb herb crusted cutlet with pumpkin purée & local greens, Gurneys Cider- infused Amber Creek pulled pork puck and creamy potato Connell, Natural Distilling and Co linalool gin & lavender creme brûlée.

**6pm start, Saturday 11th March 2023.**

**"19" at Foster Golf Club, 7 Reserve Street Foster.**

**\$55 per person. Bookings Essential (03) 5682 2272**



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## TOORA POOL

Come and bring lunch or something to BBQ to the Toora Pool. Inflatable shark will be appearing on the day! This is a weather permitting event.

**12 noon. Saturday 11 March.**

**Pool entry: \$6.80 Adult, \$5.60 Child, Spectator: \$1**

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## MEET THE CIDERMAKER

After an exclusive, behind the scenes tour you will descend into the world's largest, dedicated underground cider cellar (The Arches). Whilst underground, you will have an opportunity to taste a variety of our limited release ciders and our new Apple Brandy spirit while gaining a deeper understanding of the Gurneys' story.

**11.00 - 11.50am Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th March 2023.**

**Gurneys Cidery, 343 Fish Creek - Foster Road Foster**

**\$35 per adult (18+ only). will include a \$25 tasting (max 2 standard drinks)**

**plus 1 x \$20 discount on our new release 7 Yr old Apple Brandy. This discount is not available in the cellar door and only offered to participants.**

**Bookings required. <https://gurneyscider.com.au/tours>**

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## CELEBRATIONS OF PROM ROAD @ WARATAH HILLS VINEYARD

Relax overlooking grape vines in the Waratah Hills. Live Music with grazing plate and Waratah Hills wines.

**1 pm - 4pm, Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th, March 2023.**

**Waratah Hills Vineyard, 20 Cottmans Road, Fish Creek.**

**Tickets available via Waratah Hills Vineyard - (03) 5683 2441**





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## SUNSET SIPPERS @ ONE TREE HILL

Lockie's Coffee Lookout at One Tree Hill offers spectacular 360° views of Wilson's Prom, Corner Inlet, Bass Strait and the Strzelecki Ranges. So once you have visited Agnes Falls continue up the dirt section of Agnes River Road to One Tree Hill. Visitors are welcome to bring a rug and a picnic. Please shut the gate and beware of sheep on the drive.

**4pm until sunset, Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th, March 2023.**  
**One Tree Hill, 185 Agnes River Road, Hazel Park**  
**FREE Event available to Prom Coast Festival Participants**  
**For more details call John 0417 332 413**

SUN

## PROM COAST PACK RUN

Meet at Foster Rail Trail Station and choose between a 5km and 10km run.

**8.30am start, Sunday 12th March 2023.**  
**FREE Event**

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## DEVONSHIRE TEA

South Gippsland Hospital Auxiliary's delicious Devonshire Tea, served in a garden with extraordinary views of Wilsons Prom and Corner Inlet. Event to raise funds for South Gippsland Hospital.

Gluten free available (please advise when booking).  
Parking available (gold coin donation).

**1:30, 2:30 or 3:30pm, Sunday 12th March 2023**  
**Monkey Hill, 891 Promontory Road Foster**  
**\$10 per person. Bookings essential. Book via QR Code.**





# HIDDEN TALENTS

This is the beginning of your story...



## HIDDEN TALENTS

Hidden Talents is a combined adult and children's writing and illustrating workshop hosted by South Gippsland's published author, teacher and lecturer Michael Hyde and nationally renowned illustrator Craig Smith.



In this free event participants will search for their hidden stories and emerge with the beginnings of their own story. They will be shown tricks of the trade and how to develop stories both written and illustrated. Plus there will be an exhibition of 331 stories written for the Fishy Stories Writing Challenge in 2022.

Introducing your hosts:

Michael Hyde writes mainly for children, adolescents and Young Adults. He has published 40 books over a 35 year writing career. Some of his novels are MAX, Tyger Tyger, Hey Joe, Surfing Goliath, Footy Dreaming - all critically acclaimed. His Change the Game Sports Series on AFL, Basketball and Soccer sold 20,000 books. He recently wrote with his partner, Gabrielle Gloury, the popular, Girls Change the Game. They are currently writing a sequel. His most recent YA novel, Morrison and Mr Moore, about an unlikely friendship between a soon-to-retire school Principal and a rebellious 17 year old student – was placed on the Children Book Council of Australia Notables list for 2022.

Craig Smith has illustrated more than 400 books for children over 40 plus years, working with many of Australia's most experienced writers and editors. He has been fortunate to have worked as a book illustrator his entire working life. His pathway to illustration came through reading, a love of humour and through drawing people. Craig loves stories. He loves being in a story – by that we mean really inside the story, thinking about the characters, what they might be doing, how to picture that? And, what technology to use? Pencil, paper, paint and ink certainly. Somewhere in the process digital tools and software.

**Sponsored by the Bendigo Community Bank Toora & Foster**

**11am - 2pm Sunday 12th March 2023.  
Fish Creek Hall, 13 Falls Road Fish Creek.  
FREE Event**



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## TROS WALK AT WILSON'S PROM

### TIDAL RIVER OPEN SPACES PROJECT. WALK TO MILLERS LANDING

Meet at Vereker Car Park at 9.15am to be ready for setting off at 9.30am. An easy 4km walk. Fabulous morning tea to finish.

**9.30am start, Sunday 12th March 2023**

**Gold coin donation.**

SUN

## YARRA ARTS PIANO TRIO

**VIOLIN** - Shelley Heath, **CELLO** - Anna Daniel, **PIANO** - Edith Ellis

The Prom Coast Festival Committee, with private sponsorship, is excited to feature the Yarra Arts Piano Trio who has wowed audiences with their unique style and presentation of the best of Piano Trio repertoire since they formed in 2020.

The performance will be in an extraordinary private home nestled in the hills near Agnes Falls. Shelley and Anna (well known to South Gippsland audiences) are joined by Edith, an outstanding pianist, to perform an exciting program full of passion, variety and pizzazz. The program will include works by Dvorak, Beethoven, Schubert and Australian composers Elena Kats-Chernin, Miriam Hyde and Sarah Hopkins.

In addition to their busy performance program in 2022 the YAPT has proudly raised over \$15,000 through charity concerts for the Tonga and Ukraine Appeals and Breast Cancer.

**2.30pm Sunday 12th March 2023**

**50 Caughey's Road Hazel Park**

**\$50 per person. Tickets limited. Book via QR Code.**





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## YouSingToo WITH ALEX BURNS & LOCAL MUSICIANS

A unique opportunity to join Melbourne music legend Alex Burns and Local Musicians as they perform classic songs - and a few of their own - in the relaxed and friendly atmosphere of one of Toora's many historic buildings. Drinks at bar prices, Max seating 50.

**3.30pm, Sunday 12 March 2023**  
**Toora RSL Club, 28 Stanley Street, Toora**  
**Tickets \$20. Call 0408 871 379 or call in to**  
**Rare Earth Studio Gallery Toora Fri-Sun 10.30-4pm.**  
**Or book via QR Code.**



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## THE COAST CABARET

Fish Creek Carnival sail back into the Fishy Pub with an all new, cheeky & outrageous cabaret. Surf the wave of circus and frivolity for one night only on March 12th.

Coast along for another night you won't forget with world class circus and variety performers. All on stage, once again at the Fish Creek Hotel. You don't want to miss this board, all aboard!

If you'd like to net your table early, join us for dinner anytime from 6.15pm onwards and stay put for the show. Dinner bookings are exclusive for Cabaret guests and can be made at checkout!

**Dinner from 6.15pm followed by Cabaret at 8.30pm**  
**Sunday 12th March 2023.**  
**Fish Creek Pub, 1 Old Waratah Road Fish Creek**  
**\$55 Bookings Required via QR Code**





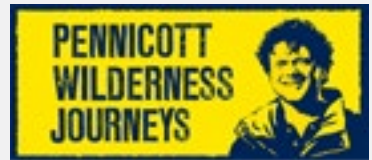
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## IMMIGRATION TO SOUTH GIPPSLAND

Celebrating the many nationalities that make up our Prom Coast community. As well as our comprehensive displays on the history of South Gippsland our current exhibition titled "Immigration to South Gippsland" is also open over the Prom Coast Festival long weekend. The exhibit contains portraits and short written profiles of 75 migrants who have come to live in South Gippsland over a 170 year period. The group consists of 32 different nationalities.

**11.00am - 3.00pm.**  
**March 11th - 13th 2023.**  
**Foster Museum,**  
**9 Main Street Foster.**  
**\$5 Adult**  
**\$4 Concession**  
**\$10 Family**

## 2023 FESTIVAL SUPPORTERS



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# PROM COAST FESTIVAL PROGRAM

**FRIDAY 10TH MARCH**



**FISH CREEK**



**FOSTER**

**Immigration to  
South Gippsland**  
11.00am - 3.00pm

**Wheelchair Relay Race**  
12.00 - 5.00pm

**Book Chat at Foster Library**  
2.30 - 3.30pm

**Festival Opening**  
6.00 - 8.00pm



**WELSHPOOL**

**Welshpool Garden Show**  
1.30 - 5.00pm

**TOORA**



**PROM COAST**

Please note: Details in this program are correct at the time of printing.

# MARCH 10TH TO 12TH 2023

## SATURDAY 11TH MARCH

**Celebration of Prom Road  
@ Waratah Hills Vineyard**  
1pm - 4pm

**Brett Cardwell Cartoonist Workshop**  
10.00 - 11.30am & 1.00 - 3.30pm

**Meet the Cider Maker @ Gurneys Cidery**  
11.00 - 11.50am

**Immigration to South Gippsland - 11.00am - 3.00pm**

**Meet Author Janeen Web - 11.30am - 12.30pm**

**Hannah Go-Go Zone - 12pm**

**Nicky Bomba Percussion Workshop - 2pm - 3pm**

**Degustation at "19" at Foster Golf Club - 6.00pm**

**Melbourne SKA Orchestra - 7.30pm**

**Welshpool Garden Show**  
10.00 - 4.00pm

**Toora Pool - 12pm**

**Sunset Sippers @ One Tree Hill - 4pm**



## SUNDAY 12TH MARCH

**Hidden Talents**  
11.00am - 2.00pm

**Celebration of Prom Road  
@ Waratah Hills Vineyard**  
1pm - 4pm

**The Coast Cabaret**  
6.15pm Dinner  
8.30pm Cabaret



**Prom Coast Pack Run**  
8.30am

**Meet the Cider Maker  
@ Gurneys Cidery**  
11.00 - 11.50am

**Immigration to  
South Gippsland**  
11.00am - 3.00pm

**Devonshire Tea**  
1:30, 2:30 or 3:30pm

**Yarra Arts Piano Trio**  
2.30pm

**YouSingToo - 3.30pm**

**Sunset Sippers  
@ One Tree Hill - 4pm**

**TROS Walk at Wilsons Prom**  
9.30am

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