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Initiatives in Progress

Ramp Master Plan The Plan aims to upgrade the Corinella Boat Ramp and facilities.



- We did it! Funding for the Corinella Boat Ramp Facilities Upgrade has been confirmed and \$1.41m has been allocated by the Andrews government, including \$250,000 from Victorian Fisheries Authority.
- Treasurer Tim presented a 'cheque' at a media event on 27 June 2018, attended by representatives from the Committee, Corinella Boating and Angling Club, Victorian Fisheries Authority, VRFish, Victorian Fisheries, and Jordan Crugnale the Labour candidate for Bass.
- The committee are now progressing with various approvals needed, which were subject to funding approval. This includes consent under the Coastal Management Act, Park Victoria Works Permit, Cultural Heritage assessment, and Council approvals. These are expected to take up to 3 months to complete.
- A tender will be initiated once approvals have been granted as they will inform some of the conditions of the tender.
- Timeframe for build is anticipated May 2019.
- Check the website project page for updates and/or subscribe on the project page for email updates:

https://www.corinellaforeshore.com.au/rampupgrade.html

Grants in progress

- No news as yet from the Large Grants Program application for stairs at Settlement Point.
- Another grant for funding for weed maintenance has been lodged.

Community Forum

- ❖ A Rabbit Management information will be held on Saturday 25th August 2018 at 1.30pm.
- * Rabbits are a major environmental pest, causing damage to many native animal and plant species. They cause soil erosion and/or weed spread through grazing, ring-barking of trees, eating seedlings and preventing plants from growing.
- * They out-compete native animals for food and compete with livestock for pasture.





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They support the fox population as an available food source.

- ❖ They also cause damage to property by tunnelling under homes and structures, and damaging gardens.
- This session is aimed at residential home owners as well as people with larger rural and agricultural properties and will cover what actions can be taken to help reduce the impact of rabbits.
- For more information and to book for the event, please check the website:

www.corinellaforeshore.com.au/rabbitinfo

Care and Maintenance of the Foreshore Reserve

Boat ramp/Caravan Park/Picnic facilities

- Repairs are in progress on the finger jetties. The western jetty had the step adjusted to tighten a loose board (right).
- Bolts are on order to tighten a few loose pylons on the eastern finger jetty.
- The Esplanade has been sprayed for weeds, ready for the working bee.
- Two piles of mulch have been donated and left at the BBQ/caravan park entrance at the end of Smythe Street (below left).
- ❖ Works have now been completed around the toilet block with a new enclosure to hide the tanks (below centre & right).







Settlement Point

- Rubbish consisting of garden waste, rubble, bits of pipe and wood, old tarps and garbags was dumped by someone at Settlement Point over the Queen's Birthday long weekend (pictured right)
- This has now been cleared away (bottom right).

Southern Precinct

The fence has new been completed, with 2 new strands of support wire fitted.





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Northern Precinct

- The track has been sprayed from French Island Close through to Hamilton Street
- ❖ Weeds have been sprayed from French Island Close to Balcombe Street.

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Photos of interest

This photo taken in the 1930's shows netting in progress near the current boat ramp site. In the background can be seen the original fisherman's cottage (now the Esplanade).





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Guest attendance at Committee Meetings

Did you know that community members can attend committee meetings? There are certain requirements for guest attendance.

Meeting attendance is managed in line with the *Committees of Management Responsibilities & Good Practice Guidelines 2005 (S3.4 "Invited Guests")* which is published by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

"A non-committee member may only attend a committee meeting if invited by the chair or another member on behalf of the committee."

"It is up to the committee to determine the item(s) or part thereof which the invited guest may attend. A non-committee member must not participate in any committee decisions unless requested to do so by the chair and never takes part in any committee decision."

- If you'd like to attend a committee meeting:
 - please contact the Secretary, Corinella Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management by email at <u>corinellaforeshore@gmail.com</u> at least 2 weeks prior to the committee meeting with details of any particular item you're interested in hearing about
 - meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday each month
 - Your attendance and details of the meeting (time etc) will be advised (if approved you'll receive an invitation by email)
- Guests attend as observers
- Guests attend those parts of the meeting where general and community information is covered, but not where commercially sensitive information (such as contractor rates, consideration of contracts, tenders, wages etc) may need to be discussed.