

Summer By The Sea 2025, delivered by Coastcare Victoria, on behalf of the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA).

This document is an Event Access Key. It outlines details about the upcoming event, accessibility details and other safety considerations. The Coastcare Victoria team has endeavoured to provide a comprehensive document, however please let us know via the email below if we have left out critical accessibility information.

If you require further support to be able to attend this event, email Coastcare.victoria@deeca.vic.gov.au

Coastcare Victoria acknowledges and respects Victorian Traditional Owners as the original custodians of Victoria's land and waters, their unique ability to care for Country and deep spiritual connection to it. We honour Elders past and present whose knowledge and wisdom has ensured the continuation of culture and traditional practices. DEECA is committed to genuinely partnering with Victorian Traditional Owners and Victoria's Aboriginal community to progress their aspirations.

Event overview

These are snorkelling events provided by Swan Bay Environmental Association & Marine and Freshwater Discovery Centre on:

6th January 10:00am –12:00pm, 12:30pm – 2:30pm

8th January 10:00am –12:00pm, 12:30pm – 2:30pm

14th January 10:00am –12:00pm, 12:30pm – 2:30pm

17th January 10:00am –12:00pm, 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Participants are to meet near the toilet block on Weeroona Pde, Queenscliff, situated on Wadawurrung Country.

Learn more about the Country on which you will be engaging, enjoying and learning

The Wadawurrung Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation (WTOAC) are the Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) with native title rights of this area.

Wadawurrung Traditional Owner Aboriginal Corporation have produced their Country Plan:

Paleert Tjaara Dja: Let's make Country good together 2020-2030. This document outlines Wadawurrung vision for Caring for Country, Wadawurrung Values, threats to Wadawurrung Values, current programs and strategies in place, office locations and contributors.

If you would like to view the plan before attending the event, please follow any of the below links:

The Healthy Country Plan can be viewed in its entirety by clicking [here](#).

A summary version is also available [here](#).

There is also [Healthy Country Plan video](#), which is highly informative and recommended viewing.



Getting there

- Accessible parking nearby
- Public transport via bus from Geelong is available



Arriving at the location

- This event is not wheelchair accessible



Facilities

- Accessible toilets nearby
- No drinking water available, please ensure you bring adequate water for your hydration needs
- Food is not available at the site, however there are food venues within 3km



Quiet time

- Ample outdoor space
- No breaks in agenda



Safety information

All events for Summer By The Sea have appropriate safety planning documentation completed. All staff running events will have Working With Children Checks, and it will be ensured that the ratio of leaders:children at events will be followed.

However, if you have any safety concerns at any point during the event, please alert your event leader or call 000 if there is an emergency.



Summer By The Sea statement

Summer By The Sea is designed to be an inclusive space for everyone in the community to come together to enjoy Victoria's beautiful coastal and marine environments. Coastcare Victoria acknowledges not every event can always be completely accessible, however the Coastcare Victoria team strives to do everything it can to provide a fun, friendly and welcoming time for all.

DEECA has developed an 'Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2024', which outlines DEECA's commitment to supportive, accessible and inclusive spaces for its staff and the wider community. DEECA's vision for diversity, inclusion and belonging is a [culture] that embraces individual differences in all forms and fosters innovation. DEECA lives its diversity and inclusion values when people are connected, embracing different viewpoints, have equal opportunity, feel they belong and know their unique contribution is valued and leverage the experience and ideas of others. To learn more about the 'Access and Inclusion Plan 2021-2024', please follow this link:

<https://www.deeca.vic.gov.au/our-department/diversity-and-inclusion>