• Barwon Coast Committee of Management Incorporated
• Appointed by Victorian State Government – DELWP to manage coastal Crown land
• 15km from 7W Collendina to 42W Connewarre, Victoria - foreshore & beaches of Ocean Grove & Barwon Heads, and includes part of the Barwon estuary
• Harassed
• Injured
• Killed
WHERE IS YOUR DOG NOW?

Keep your dog and others safe from harm
• Barwon Coast, DELWP, City of Greater Geelong, Parks Victoria, Victoria Police, Australian Veterinary Association and Cherished Pets.

• Equitable use for all beach users.
• Dogs off leash
• Population shifts
• Waste management
• Car parking
• Enviro & wildlife
• Signage
1 Dogs off-leash

• Reflected by local and visitors

• 45% negatively impacted their enjoyment of the beach

• 34% impacted by dogs on leash and dogs off leash
Federation University Community Impacts

• Community safety and well being

• Environmental Protection and conservation

• Individual rights and freedom

• Conflicts amongst other beach users.
Federation University Community Concerns

- 27% negative dog-dog or dog-human interactions
- 22.8% dog controls and compliance issues
- 22.3% fouling
- 18.1% safety concerns
- 9.8% environmental impacts
Dogs on beaches was an area of conflict for both dog owners and non-dog owners.

Barwon Coast data

July 2016 – June 2018 totalled 150 reported incidents

- 75 incidents per year or
- 6.5 incidents per month.

- 71.7% agreed restricting activities for wildlife protection.
Barwon Coast reported data showed

- 57 offences in prohibited zone
- 48 general non-compliance across the reserve
- 19 harassing causing nuisance
- 8 wildlife harassment
- 18 wildlife attacks

This does not take into account person injury and harm
Making it Legal

- 2007 agreement with CoGG under Section 26 (2A) Domestic (Feral and Nuisance Animals Act 1994)
- This agreement allowed CoGG authorised officers to enforce our dog orders.
- Councils support for our dog orders were not gazetted until July 2009
TEMPORARY EXCLUSION ZONE FOR THE PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE, HOODED PLOVER BREEDING, CHICK ON BEACH

NO CONTINUOUS ACCESS ALONG THE BEACH BETWEEN ACCESS TRACK 40W AND ACCESS TRACK 42W

- TEMPORARY EXCLUSION ZONE SIGN, NO ACCESS ALONG BEACH
- TEMPORARY EXCLUSION ZONE AHEAD
- NO ACCESS, SIGNS AND BARRIER

BY ORDER OF BARWON COAST COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT INC, CROWN LAND (RESERVES) ACT 1978, REGULATIONS
TEMPORARY EXCLUSION ZONE FOR WILDLIFE PROTECTION ON THIS BEACH

HOODED PLOVER CHICKS ON THE BEACH

NO ACCESS ALONG THE BEACH FROM THIS CAR PARK, 30W TO BEACH ACCESS
31W CYLINDERS

PLEASE USE THE NEXT CAR PARK, 31W CYLINDERS FOR BEACH ACCESS
WALK WESTWARD ALONG THE BEACH

declared by Barwon Coast Committee of Management Inc under the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978, Regulations.
Criteria when making a submission

1. **Access and Equity for all** – does it cater for all beach users: limited mobility, fear of dogs
2. **Simplified Compliance** – is it easy to understand by all
3. **Clear Simplified Signage** – can it be transferred to a sign in simplified and effective language/symbols
4. **Personal Safety** – does it improve personal safety; including safe and equitable access to swimming beaches
5. **Environmental Impacts** – has it enhanced the local environmental values.
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DOGS PROHIBITED ALL YEAR ROUND
PENALTIES MAY APPLY

DOGS ON LEASH ALL SHARED TRAILS, PATHS & CAR PARKS
PENALTIES MAY APPLY

DOGS PROHIBITED 18th DEC - 31st JAN
PENALTIES MAY APPLY
• Responsible Boating – free 5 knot stickers
• Fisheries, Police, Ocean Grove Coastcare, activity providers, community paddlers
How Deep Are Your Pocket
Playing in the Dunes Could Cost You Big

Lighting of Fires - $19,000
Litter - $9,500
Vegetation Destruction - $3,170
Disturbing Wildlife - $3,170
Drunk & Disorderly - $800
Illegal Fireworks - $500
Alcohol in Public Place - $300

Penalty values may change without notice.

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