

Warning for all Australian premiers

Saturday's by-election loss by the Labor Party is a lesson for all future State premiers. Listen to the votes or risk the consequences.

The people were telling Roger Cook they didn't want the racetrack, the imported football team and million-dollar horse races. Cook paid the penalty by losing a safe seat.

The question remains, does the Secret Harbour train station go back on the backburner?

Cameron Bell, South Perth

Will Albo ignore this?

So far, Anthony Albanese hasn't taken the slightest notice of the will of the people.

This Secret Harbour by-election in the deep heart of Labor territory has returned a devastating swing against the incumbent.

Is this result likely to reflect Albo's attention? Probably not.

I would back the old chestnut



Roger Cook

"State issues have nothing to do with Federal issues" to be his mantra. Good luck with that.

John Bandy, Scarborough

A corner turned?

The wise men from the east woke early yesterday morning to find that the west had seceded to One Nation, as had SA previously, rather than against the usual Eastern States trend.

Unlike a full election,

by-election rules allowed us to communicate by phone, while the west was still voting for two hours, to get an early result.

That's convenient as the secret of Secret Harbour now is that one can live most anywhere while an unsuccessful major party candidate, but can not vote for oneself.

Victoria's turn is next for a State election on November 28, then for the undeclared Federal election by about May 2028.

Will the one national One Nation trend prevail?

Malcolm Cameron, Camberwell, Victoria

Change in the weather

Prime Minister Anthony Albanese et al. please beware. A massive wind of change has hit the west coast. Moving slowly, predicted to hit Victoria in November 2026 and New South Wales in March 2027.

John Bell, Claremont

