

Learn from the past

The people of Mallacoota are right to be concerned about the impending loss of their beautiful foreshore due to the construction of a breakwater (Letters, 21/11). Breakwaters constructed at St Kilda, Brighton and Sandringham in the 1950s in a badly researched rush to provide harbours for recreational boating destroyed at least nine kilometres of beaches. It deprived everyday Joes of enjoyment of these precious assets.

Rod Bryant, Cheltenham

And another thing...

Indonesia

If it's OK to monitor the phone of the president's wife, Tony should allow a reciprocal arrangement.

Carl Ross, Hernes Oak

To seek an apology for the Balibo murders would be quid pro quo.

Peter Knight, St Arnaud

Tony, it's time to stop digging. The hole is deep enough.

Ray Jones, Box Hill North

"Indonesia suspends military ties" (21/11). A future headline: "Australia suspends aid. Saves millions."

