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Dinosaur dig

THE MUCH awaited dinosaur excavation at Inverloch has begun with the dig being led by Ms Lesley Kool, of the Palaeontology department at Monash University.

The dig, which is expected to be held during the next three weeks, gained prominence following comments from well-known palaeontologist Dr Tom Rich who stated that the discovery could be the "cream of all such discoveries".

Preliminary work at the Flat Rock site was carried out in 1992, uncovering bones from a number of different dinosaurs, freshwater plesiosaurs and crocodiles.

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The tooth of what is believed to be an ankylosaur has also been discovered, with it being anticipated that the excavation will reveal new and exciting finds.

Ms Kool made the original discovery at Inverloch, with the actual workings of the dig involving the removal of several metres of soil in a small area on the foreshore.

The excavation is not open to the public with it being important that nothing at the dig is removed or touched by anyone not involved with the workings.