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# me claim 'vexatious' says CEO

A REQUEST to review the renaming of a local town's riverfront area is "vexatious", was "made to cause annovance" and should be rejected by elected members, a local CEO says.

Back in January, "Waikerie Riverfront" was officially adopted as the title of the river-front area, part of which was formerly known as Lions Riverfront Park.

The decision has infuriated former Waikerie Lions Club member Joe Vikor, who has subsequently sought an internal review of the decision.

Loxton Waikerie CEO, David Beaton, says Mr Vikor's application included allegations that two councillors had conflicts of interest that should have precluded them from voting at the January meeting. In his report to council, due to be presented this Friday, Mr Beaton recommends elected members refuse the application "on the basis that the application is frivolous or vexatious".

"Apart from not agreeing with the decision, Mr Vikor has not provided new information that was not available to the council at the time it made the decision," Mr Beaton says in his report.

"As Mr Vikor has alternative avenues to pursue conflict of interest considerations that therefore are not subject of the review, I believe that the application is vexatious, (and) that it is made to cause disruption, delay or annoyance."

In a wide-ranging letter sent to Mr Beaton and the Murray Pioneer on February 17, Mr Vikor claims response to a petition calling for the Lions name to remain attached to the area, when combined with nominations council received regarding the name change, were overall against adopting the new title.

Mr Vikor also claims the council's Community Award Program Assessment Panel is dominated by Loxton-based members and that the imbalance impacted the decision.

"The Loxton members of this committee do not have any idea what Waikerie residents would like to have done in this town," Mr Vikor said.

However, the panel had previously carried the recommendation unanimously, as did the council at its January meeting.

The CEO's report also says that Mr Vikor is "no longer a member of the Lions Club and the club has distanced themselves from his views" – a statement verified by the Murray Pioneer with the club this week.

Mr Beaton's report says the Lions moniker will be acknowledged at the newly named area.



David Beaton

"Council, in considering signage for the area, wants to still recognise the contributions to the older area by Waikerie Rotary with the Rotary Walk, the Waikerie Nature and Waterplay Park, and the Lions BBQ and playground areas," he said.

Councillors will vote on Mr Beaton's recommendation at their monthly meeting in Waikerie this Friday morning.

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## When Prince Philip visited the Riverland

AS the world mourns the death of Prince Philip, some older Riverlanders may remember the Duke of Edinburgh's visit to the Renmark in 1954.

Accompanied by Queen Elizabeth, Prince Philip was warmly welcomed by locals, with Renmark buzzing from the royal visit.

An astonishing 28,000 people flocked to the town the get a glimpse of the royal couple.

The Murray Pioneer - published on Thursday, April 1, 1954 - reported that "a record crowd of about 28,000 people came from miles around for this greatest occasion in the region's history".

"Some 15,000 including an assembly of 5000 school children (were) thronging the Renmark Oval and another 13,000 lining the route of the royal progress through the streets."



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Berri Barmera Council Mayor Peter Hunt (left) and Berri RSL president Chris Ware are looking forward to Sunday week's reinstated Anzac Day commemorative service at Barmera's Garden of Memory. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

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"When I saw the article in the paper that the dawn service wasn't going ahead, I knew council had to do something," he said.

"We wanted to do whatever we could to assist both RSL branch-

es because not only is Anzac Day important to them, it's important to all Australians."

Berri RSL president Chris Ware said although he would miss hosting a traditional dawn service, he was grateful for the council's assistance to make the commemorative service feasible.

"I would've loved having the traditional service at 6am but it would be hard supervising people in the dark and making sure they follow protocols," he said.

"Instead, we have encouraged people to take part in 'light up the dawn', which involves people standing in their driveway with candles and torches at 6am.

"After that, they can join us all at

the Garden of Memory.

"Having the council support both RSL branches has been truly incredible and we are all so grateful

"We missed having the dawn service event last year and this is the closest we can do under the circumstances.

"It will be nice seeing everyone come together."

Mr Ware said he and Barmera RSL president Jim Rolfe expect a healthy crowd.

"We have six schools and all up about 30 community clubs and businesses putting down wreaths this year," he said.

"We have more wreaths this year than we've had in the past.

"It's great to see so many people paying their respects and acknowledging those who served our country and sacrificed their lives for us."

To pre-register for the service, visit the Berri Barmera Council chambers, Berri Barmera Library, Barmera Public Library, Berri RSL sub-branch or Barmera RSL sub-branch.

Tickets can also be sourced online via the Berri Barmera Council website (https://www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au) or via Eventbrite (https://bit.ly/3a67Y5o).

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# **Riverland Events Centre takes on COVID** recovery

**JOSH BRINE** 

A BARMERA venue is in negotiations to host several large-scale events expected to bring millions of dollars to the region over the coming years, as it recovers from a year lost to COVID-19.

Riverland Field Days executive manager Tim Grieger spoke to the District Council of Loxton Waikerie at last month's ordinary meeting about the past, present and future of the Riverland Events Centre.

"The result of what we have been doing is attracting more events - like in 2018 when we had the Ulysses Club AGM and Rally which was huge," Mr Grieger told the Murray Pioneer.

"We had over 2000 people on site and in the region, and a lot of the participants stayed in local hotels and motels as well.

"We now are expanding that to attract more events.

"We just locked in the National Caravan Clubs Rally for 2022, and we are talking with the CMCA (Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia) for a possible national event next year as well, and its the biggest club of its kind in Australia.

'We've had state rallies as well and smaller events, and we're talking with a national panel van group about having a rally here possibly next year as well.

"That's why I wanted to explain to the council that the value of the site to the region is huge – the estimated spend from that Ulysses event was about \$4 million and the estimated spend from the caravan rally will be about \$2 million.

"We get more permanent use from the RiderSafe training program, the Riverland Dog Training Club and the Barmera Quilters Group, and then we get extra bookings like the CCW AGM next

"I'd like to see events every week, be it a birthday party or an organisation doing a workshop or a business doing a product launch.

"These are the kind of events (the centre) was designed for and works well for – it's now just about getting it known."

Construction of an \$850,000 pavilion at the site in 2017 and 2018 resulted in the Field Days committee taking out a \$190,000 loan with the Berri Barmera Council and a \$240,000 overdraft guaranteed by the council, with the committee keeping up with repay-

"Prior to building the function pavilion we had no debt, so we extended ourselves significantly to be able to achieve that and we're managing that well, but then COVID came along and mucked it



following widespread cancellations in 2020. PHOTO: TM Aerial Applications

up a bit, as it did for everybody," Mr Grieger said.

'We're working around that and we are certainly grateful for the support of Berri Barmera Council who helped us work through that.

"Looking into the future, once we are well established with these facilities, it's a matter of managing it so it is self-sustaining.

"By the end of next year we will be halfway through our loan commitments with only four more years to go and that will be all

"We'll build a strong base for our group to work into the future."

Mr Grieger said the Field Days received a \$70,000 grant last year to help cover ongoing costs following the cancellation of events due to COVID-19 restrictions.

"It didn't cover everything, but it took us a long way to getting through," he said.

"There are high costs associated with power for irrigation, water, insurance, cleaning and security, plus operating costs - you're looking at something close to \$100,000 just to keep operating.

'With a Field Day event, those costs are well covered and we have a surplus out of that, but obviously we didn't have that last year.

"But we made it through and are looking forward to having a great Field Days this year and with the

bookings coming through for the events centre we are looking forward to a great future."

The Field Days committee is currently pursuing a grant through the Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program to construct more shower facilities on the site.

"To attract events, we have to have shower facilities on site, and at the moment we have eight," Mr Grieger said.

"For big events we need double that, so we are trying to convert two toilet blocks that we don't require to showers, and that's where we are looking for a bit of help to get there."

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Helen Connolly

the consultation process.

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Small grants to facilitate conversations with children and young people in their community are now available. PHOTO: provided



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Applications close Friday 30 April, 2021.

\* For full details visit ccyp.com.au/community-conversations-grants

# Berri Barmera joins race for food and wine centre

#### **JOSH BRINE**

THE Berri Barmera district is preparing to throw its hat in the ring to house a proposed multimillion-dollar wine and food centre.

At last month's ordinary meeting, the Berri Barmera Council voted to establish a working group to liaise with Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone to discuss the State Government's planned Riverland Wine and Food Centre.

Deputy mayor Cr Ella Winnall proposed the motion following a deputation by Mr Whetstone.

"When Ernst and Young did the consultation for the feasibility study, they called on anyone who had any interest," Mr Whetstone said.

"I approached all of the councils back when I made that pledge for the region. Berri Barmera Council wasn't interested.

"I spoke to the then-CEO (Andre Stuyt) and he wasn't really interested.

"I spoke with all of the councils, including Mid Murray and they gave me some level of interest.

"I spoke then with small working groups in the different areas.

"Loxton have a working group,

Riverland West have a working group, Renmark have a working group, and I've had approaches from Swan Reach from a small working group down there.

"The invitation was there to everyone to be a part of it."

Mr Whetstone told elected members the district could "absolutely" still put together a working

"If we are going to look at a food and wine centre or a food and wine museum, it has to be truly representative of the Riverland, so it either needs a backdrop of horticulture or the river, and they were the two calls in the public engagement," he said.

"Basically, anyone who wants to put a working group together and put forward a submission or idea, I'm all ears.

"(But) it's not just something the Government are going to tip a lot of money into and it's just going to pop out of the ground. There has to be a level of commitment from the community wherever it goes."

A business case for the proposed centre, a State Government election promise, released last year, found the facility could cost up to \$19 million and create more than 100 jobs.



Concept designs for the proposed Riverland Wine and Food Centre released last year. Berri Barmera Council elected members voted to create a working group to liaise with Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone about bringing the centre to the







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#### **EDITORIAL**

#### BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

### **Barmera Anzac** backflip welcomed

THANKFULLY, sanity has prevailed and Barmera will again host an Anzac Day commemoration this year.

The town's cemetery hosts one of South Australia's biggest Anzac Day ceremonies each year, with bumper crowds flocking to the Garden of Memory to pay their respects.

Given uncertainty about COVID-19 last year, the widespread decision to cancel Anzac Day dawn services was given a broad, if begrudging, tick of approval by the populace - notwithstanding some baffling inconsistencies surrounding public events considered safe or unsafe.

Those irregularities cropped up through much of the past 12 months, and was noted by a surprisingly small percentage of Australians who dared question the wisdom of authorities.

But after everything the public has witnessed in 2020 and through the start of 2021, including our nation's COVID-19 mortality rate, many Australians were unwilling to settle for Anzac Day being effectively cancelled for a second successive year.

The Berri and Barmera RSL sub-branches acted in good faith in making their original decision, concerned that stringent safety measures would make staging the shoulder-toshoulder dawn service impractical. Sub-branch members - and indeed community group volunteers across the nation – have had little experience with such matters until 2020 and remain on less-than-sure footing.

Hats off, therefore, to Berri Barmera Council for stepping in to ensure Barmera's event goes ahead on Sunday week – albeit in a COVID-19amended form.

Many Australians have inherited their respect for Anzac Day from their families and for them it remains the most important day on the calendar. Similarly, Australian school children have retained a great appreciation of what the day means, although that may or may not extend to knowledge of the world wars themselves.

But in the modern world, traditions and customs built on sound principles can be eroded swiftly, particularly if the sensible majority stand by and let it happen.

A couple of years ago Australian writer/ comedian Catherine Deveny tweeted to her 30,000 followers that Anzac Day is "Bogan Halloween" and a celebration of Australia's "fetishism of war and violence".

If allowed to build momentum without proper and respectful criticism, such opinions can soon take hold and become the norm.

Just another reason why staging local Anzac Day services, like the one in Barmera this year, is so important.

### **Questions on wine** and food centre

BERRI Barmera Council is the latest Riverland council to put its hand up for the proposed regional wine and food centre.

And why not? Berri and Barmera are pretty much the Riverland's geographical centre, plus everyone else is having a crack.

Among the questions some Riverlanders might want answered is upon what criteria will a final decision be made, and how will the efforts of these working groups be assessed?

Also, has the centre been discussed at the tricouncil Riverland Local Government Forum? Or is it every council for itself?

And what is Destination Riverland's position on the best venue? Does it wish to be the Switzerland of the process, or is it well-placed to offer some insight and expertise?

Or will the decision come down to the idea's proponent, Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone?





The Girl from Galga, Julie Anthony, with the inaugural Great South Australian Award, 1982: Julie Anthony, born in August 1951, is the second child to Les and Betty Lush, formerly of Parilla, near Lameroo. In 1959, the family moved to Galga, an isolated northern Mallee farming district 75km south-west of Loxton. The Lush family, including Julie's older brother Steve, played tennis for Galga while Les, a former SANFL Glenelg player and Steve, played football. Julie played netball. Their main social entertainment was a local Saturday night dance. When still a teenager, Julie was invited to sing in a Waikerie band. This prompted the bandleader to encourage Julie to enter an Adelaide talent quest. She won, Success then followed success. Now one of Australia's most-awarded singer/entertainers, Julie received the OBE in 1980 and AM in 1989. She was three times voted Entertainer of the Year and 11 times Best Female Vocalist in a career from 1967-2007. She produced six singles and 14 albums and memorably, with Human Nature, sang the Australian National Anthem at the 2000 Sydney Olympics Opening Ceremony. Having "walked with kings" in Australia, USA and Britain, this country girl from Galga has not "lost the common touch". PHOTO: The Galga Story

#### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

#### **Excellent service** from local ambos

AFTER reading your article regarding ambulance waiting time (Murray Pioneer, 31/3/21), I experienced the need for help not one hour later.

After a serious fall hitting my head on a heavy door, I was fortunate to be wearing a Call Direct button, which I never thought I would need.

After pressing it the response was great.

Thinking that I had some serious injuries, the ambos – after arriving quickly – immediately started to work on me with care and assurance.

They quickly assessed the situation and called for further assistance. Once I was stabilised I was carefully transported to the Riverland Regional Hospital in Berri, where again I received the very best attention.

Thankfully my injuries were not as serious as first thought, but had it not been for the quick response from these dedicated teams my outcome could have been quite a different one.

I am so grateful and cannot thank these people enough for their care and attention. I shudder to think of what would have happened if they were not available when I needed help so desperately and quickly.

Interestingly, an hour or two later when I was waiting for results of scans etc. the same team of ambos arrived with another patient and one came to ask me how I was feeling.

This is an example of how much these people are needed in the Riverland and how there is a need for more not less.

I thank them all.

R. SINCOCK Loxton

#### Why we mourn **Prince Philip**

THE Australian Monarchist League mourns the passing

of His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, who died aged 99 at Windsor Castle.

Ever since he knelt before the Oueen and swore to be Her Majesty's "liege man of life and limb" at her Coronation in 1953, the Duke worked tirelessly as a steadfast, principled patron of the people of Great Britain, Australia, and all of the Commonwealth realms.

The Duke's commitment to the armed forces, informed by his years of active service in the British Royal Navy, was pro-

The Duke was a Companion (Military Division) and later a Knight (General Division) of the Order of Australia, as well as holding the honorary military positions of Admiral of the Fleet of the Royal Australian Navy, Field Marshal of the Australian Army, Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, Colonelin-Chief of the Australian Army Cadets and Marshal of the Royal Australian Air Force.

The Duke was a beloved husband of 73 years and a loyal consort of 69 years. He was a father of four, a grandfather of eight, and a great-grandfather of ten and family was of the utmost importance to him.

The Duke served as a patron of more than 800 organisations, devoting enormous energies to causes close to his heart, such as the environment, industry, sport and education.

Over 775,000 young people aged 14 to 24 have participated in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in Australia since its establishment in 1956, together with the youth of more than 130 countries around the world. Its values of responsibility, engagement with community, and perseverance are a lifelong gift.

His Royal Highness was the longest-lived male member of the British royal family and his time as royal consort exceeds that of any other consort of the British royal family.

Alongside the Duke's royal

commitments, His Royal Highness was also known for his enjoyment of polo, carriage driving, flying, painting and good humour.

It should be noted that the Duke only retired from his royal duties on August 2, 2017, aged 96, having completed 22,219 solo engagements since 1952.

This is a time of deep sadness for Her Majesty the Queen, HRH Prince Charles and his siblings, as well as their children and grandchildren.

Australians join with those mourning around the world in remembering the Duke with gratitude for his lifetime of public service. The thoughts and prayers of the Australian Monarchist League are with the Royal Family and all those who mourn at this time of grief.

PHILIP BENWELL National chair Australian Monarchist League

#### Scam calls are just a war of words

WORD are like weapons, they wound sometimes.

We all have that vulnerability of needing to belong, of wanting to be loved.

So words should be treated carefully, but at the same time, we want to be honest, be true to who we are.

Which is why I tend to prefer the printed word.

We don't get all the visuals and the dramatic sound effects of TV and radio in a newspaper.

But we still have to be careful. Some newspapers tend to use words that provoke conflict and a sense of excitement, they use words like "shock" and "slam", as if conversation about Australia is a wrestling match complete with sweat-stained journalists duking it out.

Currently Australia is in a war of words with China.

But if we look inwards we can see Australians are also in another war of words: scam phone calls.

I have friends who do not answer any numbers from NSW or Victoria. They see 02 or 03 and they do not answer.

Others do not answer any unknown phone number at all, which must mean scam artists are doing amazing business.

They are using words to wreck the whole dialogue of Australia. They are shutting down communication in Australia, which I think is worse than the billions of dollars they steal and store overseas.

Obviously there is no money in policing scammers, who are all overseas practising their English scam scripts.

It's much simpler to police a speed camera.

Scammers provide a lot of income for telecommunications businesses too. Meanwhile Australians sit around at barbecues, look at their phone when it rings, and put it down unanswered.

And everyone knows without words that it was a scam phone call attempt.

JAKOB GAMERTSFELDER

#### We're officially free of citrus canker

AUSTRALIA has been declared officially free from citrus canker following remaining restricted areas in the Northern Territory (NT) being lifted this week.

I thank NT and Western Australia (WA) for their immense efforts in leading the national response to citrus can-

Citrus canker is a serious bacterial disease of citrus which affects the leaves, twigs and fruit causing leaves to drop and fruit to fall to the ground before it ripens.

Citrus canker was first detected affecting potted citrus plants in April 2018 in Darwin NT and May 2018 in Kununurra and Wyndham, WA in a small number of properties with potted plants originating from the NT.



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If left untreated it could have been detrimental to our \$800 million citrus industry.

WA was declared free from citrus canker in November 2019 after eradication activities were completed in the Kununurra and Wyndham areas.

The nationally co-ordinated response to locate and remove all traces of citrus canker in the NT has been successful and all eradication activities are now complete, thanks to the support of the NT community.

This milestone is great news for the Darwin community and Australia more broadly as it allows residents and businesses in the former restricted areas to reintroduce, grow and cultivate citrus plants on their properties.

It also allows unrestricted domestic movement and trade of citrus fruit and leaves into and out of the former restricted areas.

This is an important example of the significant biosecurity risks that Australia faces and why it is so important to follow our biosecurity conditions relating to the introduction of plant material.

Protecting Australia from exotic pests and diseases is everyone's responsibility.

Our world-class biosecurity system continues to allow us to respond swiftly and effectively to potential biosecurity risks like this, to safeguard our vital agriculture industries and environment.

Citrus canker was not detected in commercial orchards in Australia and was restricted to non-commercial residences in WA and NT.

Citrus canker has been found in Australia previously, and successfully eradicated. The last outbreak occurred in Emerald, Queensland in 2004 and was declared eradicated in January 2009.

DAVID LITTLEPROUD Minister for Agriculture

#### 80th anniversary of Allied campaigns

ON April 6, 2021, we commemorated the 80th anniversary of the Allied campaigns in Greece and Crete, when German forces attacked both within a short time

The Greek campaign, in which Australian, British and New Zealand troops supported

# You've gotta be joking!'

Cartoon comment by Tony Hersey



Greek forces against a German invasion, was one of the toughest of World War II.

The Allies were unprepared for the German attack and the British Commonwealth force found itself outnumbered and unable to deploy sufficient troops to halt the German advance. Instead, they conducted a series of withdrawals which slowed the Germans, offering brave and sometimes successful delaying actions.

The fall of Crete followed a similar story.

The Germans wanted Crete as a base for operations against North Africa, and while Britain had already established a garrison on the island, after the fall of Greece it was clear that Crete's garrison would need to be strengthened.

Reinforcements arrived but only in the shape of some 26,000 troops weary from the withdrawal from Greece.

In May 1941, an operation codenamed Merkur (Mercury) saw some 9500 German paratroopers land on Crete. While initially suffering heavy losses, the Germans managed to secure

one of the airfields, allowing further German troops to be flown in, which eventually led to them gaining control and forcing the Allies to evacuate.

Sadly in Crete, the British Commonwealth losses numbered more than 1700 killed, over 2220 wounded, and around 11,370 taken as prisoners of war. In Greece, around 320 Australians were killed and some further 2065 became prisoners of war.

On April 6 we remember the service and sacrifice of the Anzac Corps and the Greek service men and civilians who assisted our troops in the defence of Greece and Crete.

Lest we forget.

**DARREN CHESTER** Minister for Veterans' Affairs **Minister for Defence Personnel** 

#### Why you shouldn't buy a dog or cat

THE only thing worse than being homeless would be to finally find a good home, and then be kicked out again.

That is the situation for thousands of dogs and cats as the post-COVID "new normal"

sends people back to work and leaves them no time to look after the new family member obtained during lockdown.

Shelters are filling to capacity, with the RSPCA in NSW reporting recently that they are at 95 per cent capacity for dogs and 125 per cent for cats.

Some of these animals will have been adopted, while others will have been bought from unscrupulous breeders. Puppy farms were keeping dogs and cats pregnant to cash in, and now the payoff is misery for the animals.

Around 200,000 dogs and cats are euthanised in Australia every year, simply for lack of good

If you can find space in your home and your heart to look after a new arrival, and you have the time and resources to devote to him or her, please consider adopting.

And please never buy a dog or cat, because buying a puppy or kitten is a death sentence for a dog or cat in a shelter.

MIMI BEKHECHI Campaigns strategist **PETA Australia** 

### Looking back...

10 years ago April 15, 2011



Suicide warning follows nightmare grape harvest

War and the presentation of the second

BUS STOPPED: Barmera Primary School is fighting an uphill battle to keep its school bus. After operating for 29 years, the service is due to be terminated mid-year, effectively stranding 10 students who travel to and from Barmera each school day.

20 years ago April 12, 2001

# The Murray Pioneer



GONE: Riverland Fruit Co-op appears to be beyond salvation after receivers sold the second of its core assets this week. Three Loxton fruitgrowers have bought RFC's citrus packing operation. Tom Quirke, Bill Lekakis and Peter Lindner formed Oz Fruits International less than a week ago to buy the operation, which includes packing sheds at Berri and Loxton.

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Spot on Bob (Text Line, 8/4/21). There is no reason for council rates to rise above inflation - other than inefficient laziness. These people wouldn't survive in private enterprise. Like the old proverb, those of us who are too busy to get involved in politics are punished by being governed by people dumber than ourselves.

Renmark

Great to see so many people around the Riverland over Easter. Lots of police too, but if you weren't doing anything wrong you had nothing to worry about.

**CHRIS** Renmark

Tony Hersey's cartoons in the Murray Pioneer are consistently better than the ones that appear in the Advertiser every day. He is a

**Barmera** 

Why couldn't Glossop High School keep its name and its colours (Murray Pioneer, 8/4/21)? Plenty of places have moved location but retained their identity. I think all

that history and culture of Glossop High is just being flushed down the toilet. There's nothing wrong with green and gold colours. Plus the new name, Berri Regional Secondary College, is awful, in my opinion. It's very sterile and not very exciting. Fail.

MP Loxton

Suck eggs you leftist republican so and so's. You couldn't get a much more graphic display of love for the

Waikerie

Here come the Pacific Island workers ('Project Paringa, 8/4/21). Why can't some of the able-bodied unemployed around here take some of these jobs? It's time we got a bit tougher on people who can't be bothered working.

Renmark

Well done to Berri and Barmera RSL sub-branches for showing some common-sense and allowing people to have an Anzac Day dawn service (Pioneer, 8/4/21).

Barmera

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# Community safety still a priority as workers arrive...

# **LOCKED-DOWN**

THE first harvest workers arriving at the Paringa Resort quarantine facility – under a State Government initiative to prevent 'devastating impacts' to Riverland growers - have begun their two-week quarantine period.

A group of 216 workers - flown in from Tonga - arrived last Friday at the Paringa Resort, where they are undergoing two-weeks isolation from the community before beginning harvest work in the region.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development David Basham said the workers would be vital for Riverland citrus growers preparing for harvest.

"South Australia's primary industries are worth \$14.1 billion a year to the state economy and with citrus season upon us it is critical we deliver a safe solution to fill our seasonal worker shortages to ensure our state's crops are harvested," Mr Basham said.

"Our plan will be able to cater for up to 1200 seasonal workers across three months and will help support thousands of local jobs across South Australia's agricultural industries.

"If fruit doesn't get picked it would have devastating impacts across the entire supply chain which is why these workers are needed now."

Workers arriving under the initiative will stay in eight-person cabins equipped with beds, a kitchen, living room and bathroom.

Dinner meals will be delivered directly to the cabins and residents will be required to do their



SAPOL officers utilise 360-degree security cameras and thermal cameras to monitor the Paringa Resort quarantine facility. PHOTOS: Peta-Marie Philippou

own laundry.

The quarantine facility is monitored on-site 24 hours a day by a team of security guards, along with SAPOL officers, using 360-degree security cameras and thermal cam-

Mr Basham said co-ordination between PIRSA, SA Health and SAPOL would minimise any risk of COVID-19 being spread.

"Pacific Island nations have seen very low case numbers of COVID-19 but it is crucial we keep South Australians safe and strong," he

"The next group of around 200 workers is due to arrive in two weeks' time, with the quarantine facility to be deep cleaned between each group."

The workers will be required

to undertake saliva tests on every other day, which is a higher level of testing than for returning travellers in Adelaide's medi-hotels.

The Murray Pioneer understands harvest workers from Vanuatu recently seen in Renmark - were flown in from Tasmania and had previously completed their twoweek quarantines.







The eight-person cabins at the Paringa Resort, currently occupied by harvest workers from the Pacific islands, are equipped with beds, a kitchen, living room and bathroom.

# District Council of Loxton Waikerie ready for office move

THE District Council of Loxton Waikerie Institute building on East Terrace. will move its principal office into a new building next week, due to "ongoing environmental concerns" at the former

From Monday, April 19, the council's office will be situated at the Findex building, located at 35 Bookpurnong Terrace, Loxton, with all existing services available from the new office from that date.

leave the East Terrace office last year, after discovering unsafe levels of mould and spore build-ups caused by water damage. Council CEO David Beaton told the

Murray Pioneer last July that the lease on the Findex building would run for five years at \$45,000 per annum. Mr Beaton said capital works on the her-

itage-listed Institute building, which are estimated to cost up to \$400,000, would likely be lengthy and costly but would not strain the council's budget or general finances.

For further information, call council on 8584 8000 or visit www.lwdc.sa.gov.au.



The District Council of Loxton Waikerie will move its principal office from the former Institute building on **East Terrace** (pictured) to the Loxton **Findex** building on Bookpurnong Terrace. FILE РНОТО



#### ACCC INQUIRY INTO WATER MARKETS IN THE **MURRAY-DARLING BASIN – FINAL REPORT**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) released its final report for the Murray-Darling Basin water markets inquiry on 26 March 2021.

The ACCC is now holding public forums where stakeholders can hear directly about the ACCC's findings and recommendations. The public forums are an opportunity to hear firsthand from the ACCC why the 29 recommendations in the final report have been made, and how these recommendations (if adopted) will benefit the water markets.

The ACCC encourages all interested parties, including irrigators and water market participants with an interest in the use and trade of water in the Murray-Darling Basin, to attend and join the discussion.

Date: Tuesday 20 April 2021

**Time:** 10.00 am

Venue: Renmark Club, 160 Murray Avenue, Renmark, SA

To assist with catering and COVID Safe planning, we encourage you to register your attendance at www.accc.gov.au/waterinquiry. You can also find out more about the final report of the Murray-Darling Basin water markets inquiry at www.accc.gov.au/waterinquiry or by emailing

waterinquiry@accc.gov.au



# Postie delivers his last letter

#### PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU

A LOCAL postman who served Australia Post for almost 50 years will soon deliver his final letter

Renmark's Charlie Lloyd began working for Australia Post in 1973 in Kingston, South East, before moving to Renmark in 1983.

The 64-year-old, who started the job at age 16, said the position came at a "perfect time".

"I left school in 1972 and was in the post office in Kingston, South East, in January," he said.

"Before I got the job, my dad saw a note on the post office door that said 'help wanted'.

"For two months there was no interest, so I came along, took the opportunity, and I have been with the company ever since.

"Before moving to Renmark, I travelled around a bit for work, but eventually I moved here, got married and started a family."

Mr Lloyd said getting "out and about" was one of many highlights of the job.

"I loved how I was

outside a lot on my bike and not stuck inside all day," he said.

"Delivering letters and parcels to people directly was great because I met so many wonderful people and had many great chats.

"I love interacting with people but nowadays you don't get to meet as many as you used to... it's changed over time and it's just not the same."

Mr Lloyd said he looks forward to retirement.

"As I got older, getting on and off the bike has been harder and my body is telling me to stop," he said.

"My wife has also recently retired, so together we will both spend more time with each other, our family, and have freedom to spend our days doing whatever we like."

Mr Lloyd said he will miss the staff at the Renmark office.

"Over the years I've worked with fairly good people," he said.

"Everyone at the Renmark office gets along and are very friendly, it was a great environment to work in."



Renmark postman Charlie Lloyd will soon retire after 48 years of service. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou



Technology, safety, service and operation of Renmark's driverless bus will be among the topics of discussion at a focus group session tomorrow.

# **Driverless bus** opinions wanted

LOCALS have been invited to share opinions regarding the trial of a driverless vehicle currently being used in a Riverland town.

Renmark Paringa Council, in conjunction with Flinders University, will hold a focus group session examining Renmark's driverless bus service – known as Murray – at the Renmark Club tomorrow.

A Flinders University spokesperson said the session would focus on the technologies, safety, service configuration and operation of the driverless bus.

"Research outcomes will be used to advise on improvements to the service and to ensure successful future driverless bus deployments," the spokesperson said.

The Renmark Driverless Bus Mobility and Health Study Focus Group Session will be held at the Renmark Club tomorrow from 10.30am to 11.30am.

A morning tea will be provided, with participants also being entered into a draw for a \$100 Renmark Club gift card.

For further information, or to register, contact Dr Nick Holyoak by phone on 0400 201 231, or email (nicholas.holyoak@flinders.edu.au).

# Barmera next up for EV charger?



Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt at the opening of the NRMA electric vehicle fast charger in Berri last December. PHOTO: Josh Brine

#### **JOSH BRINE**

A NEW electric vehicle (EV) charging station could soon be installed in the Riverland, with a local council exploring funding options for a new site.

At last month's Berri Barmera Council meeting elected members passed a motion, introduced by Cr Adrian Little, to provide in-principle support for additional EV chargers in the district, particularly in Barmera, and to investigate the relevant costs.

The decision comes as the Department for Energy and Mining seeks expressions of interest for prospective sites for a statewide EV charging network, with the State Government set to invest up to \$13.4 million to expand the network.

Council chief executive officer Karyn Burton said staff would consider lodging an application for Barmera to be part of the network.

"We'll look into whether we will put an expression of inter-

est in under this prospectus to see if we can progress that in Barmera," she said.

An EV fast-charging station, fully funded and operated by the NRMA, was installed in a carpark on the corner of Ahern and Gilbert Street in Berri last

The charging speed of the station will depend on its location and surrounding electricity infrastructure.

"The NRMA one in Berri is a fast charger that takes about 30 minutes for a charge," Ms Burton said.

"If it's a slow charger you can put it on overnight, and would probably be a cheaper installation"

The Department for Energy and Mining's list of potential sites for chargers include shopping centres, supermarkets, carparks, town centres, councilowned sites, public amenities and accommodation providers.

About \$25 million will also be invested into the EV charging network by the private sector.







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# Nursing students honoured with Kirsty Boden scholarships

TWO Riverland mature-aged students have been awarded scholarships, named in honour of Loxton-born nurse Kirsty Boden, to help them complete their nursing degrees locally.

Third-year Flinders University students Tammy Stephenson and Hollie Bullock were chosen as the 2021 recipients of the Kirsty Boden Nursing Memorial Scholarship, granting them \$10,000 towards their studies at the university's Renmark campus.

The annual scholarship is supported by a grant from the State Government and named in honour of Kirsty Boden, who tragically died in the London Bridge terror attacks in 2017.

Ms Stephenson, of Monash, said she felt "completely humbled" to be granted the scholarship named after Ms Boden, who she said demonstrated that "caring for people is not a profession but a value".

"I feel this is a realisation I have come to over the past few years of nursing study, that is, you can be taught nursing principles but the care you apply to people is

something that doesn't leave you when you're not on shift," she said.

"It's a part of who you

Ms Bullock, of Loxton, said she was honoured to receive the scholarship and remembered the sorrow within the local community following Ms Boden's death.

Ms Bullock started her nursing studies after spending 12 years as a dental assistant, and becoming a mother of two children, now aged five and seven.

"I reached a point in my career after completing my family where I wanted more of a challenge," she said.

"There are so many different aspects and career choices being a registered nurse, therefore I can always challenge myself by changing what area I work in or continuing to study."

Both Ms Bullock and Ms Stephenson – whose daughter Alana was a scholarship recipient in 2020 - have experienced the real world of nursing, having completed various work placements including a four-week stint in the Northern Territory.

Ms Stephenson spent





LEFT: Kirsty Boden Nursing Memorial Scholarship 2021 recipient Tammy Stephenson, of Monash, with her daughter Alana, who was awarded the scholarship in 2020. RIGHT: Hollie Bullock, of Loxton, also received the scholarship. PHOTOS: supplied

time in the remote town of Tennant Creek and was exposed to child health care, family health care and community nursing.

"I enjoyed becoming part of the local community and meeting the local Warrumunga people as many of the women shared some of their special places and stories with me which was such a privilege," she said

"These placements are essential in putting theory into practice.

"They also provide you with a broader understanding of how broad nursing can be and therefore

expand your ideas of career options.

Flinders University nursing course co-ordinator Associate Professor Pauline Hill said students who completed their degrees at the Renmark campus reaped the benefits of rural practice.

"Regional nurses have

greater responsibility and are exposed to a variety of patients and scenarios within a multidisciplinary team of health workers," she said.

"Our Renmark students also become registered nurses who are more autonomous and in touch with their community.'

# Classic car run coming to Swan Reach this weekend

THE annual Swan Reach Classic Car River Run will be held in the riverside town's picturesque Len White Reserve this Sunday from 10am to 3pm.

Presented by the Swan Reach Progress Association and the Murray Mallee Auto Club, the event will feature live entertainment, food stalls, bar facilities and classic cars on display.

"The magnificent Swan Reach Car Gallery will be on show with an amazing collection," a spokesperson said.

Entry is via gold coin donation. For further event information visit the website (www.swanreach.sa.au).



classic cars will be on display Sunday during Swan Reach Classic Car River

# Riverland POLICE NEWS

#### **Driver caught** 60km/h over on highway

AN interstate motorist has licence after being found speeding by more than 60km/h in the Riverland.

Officers from the Heavy Vehicle Enforcement Unit detected a Ford sedan travelling east on the Sturt Highway – near Murbko – at 172km/h in a 110km/h zone, around 5.30pm on Monday, April 5.

The driver – a 37-yearold man from Homebush in New South Wales - was issued a \$1780 fine for exceeding the speed limit, and given an instant sixmonth loss of licence.

#### **Drink driver caught** in Riverland

A MOTORIST has lost his licence for 12 months after being found driving at more than five times the legal alcohol limit in a Riverland

Police stopped a car driving on Coombe Terrace, in Waikerie, around 9pm on Tuesday, April 6, when the driver alleged returned a positive alcohol reading of

The 49-year-old male driver, from Truro, was reported for drink driving and issued a 12-month instant loss of licence.

It is also understood his car was impounded for 28

## Temporary closure of Morgan ferry

THE Department for Infrastructure and Transport has advised of a temporary closure of the Morgan Ferry service tomorrow, from 10am to 11am, weather

The disruption is for programmed maintenance.

Alternative crossings will be upstream, via the Cadell Ferry and downstream using Blanchetown Bridge.



### Fundraising bazaars dates changed

THE dates of a number of the Renmark Lions Club's fundraising bazaars have changed, due to circumstances beyond the club's

The next event will be this Saturday followed by Saturday, May 8, as previously advised on Saturday,



Government of South Australia

#### **CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS** OF INTEREST FOR THE **SACE BOARD OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

The SACE Board of South Australia is an independent statutory authority of the South Australian Government responsible for issuing the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). The Board is responsible for the approval of senior secondary subjects that gain credit towards the SACE and for the quality of assessment in these subjects. It further recognises the achievement of students in vocational education and training that may also count towards the requirements of the SACE.

From 1 July 2021, all Board positions will become vacant.

The Minister for Education, Hon. John Gardner, MP, is calling for expressions of interest from individuals with the necessary abilities, knowledge and experience, to fill these vacancies, for a term not exceeding three years and commencing on 1 July 2021.

criteria outlined in the position statement and provide a curriculum vitae with at least two referees.

Copies of the position statement and application coversheet are available on https://www.sace.sa.edu.au/careers or by request from amanda.probert@sa.gov.au

Phone enquiries may be directed to Ms Amanda Probert, Executive Support Officer, on (08) 8115 4735.

The successful applicant will be required to gain a DHS child-related employment screening prior to commencing their appointment.

Closing date: Monday 3 May, 5:00 p.m.

DARTMOUTH DAM Current storage: 64%

This time last month: 63% This time in 2020: 47%

# A 'special' return for wedding gown parade

#### **HUGH SCHUITEMAKER**

A LOCAL community organisation has invited Riverlanders to view a slice of the region's bridal gown history at an annual fundraising event this weekend.

The SACWA Riverland Evening Branch will hold its annual Brides through the Ages fundraiser at the Renmark Hotel function

Branch president Julie Brand said the inclusion of local radio personality Matt Stephens as host was one of many new additions for this year's event.

"We're very excited to see all our planning come into being, and we've added to a lot of the things we were going to do last year," Mrs Brand said.

"In the planning, people have come up with new ideas that will make it that touch more special, so it's going to be pretty awe-

"We've got an MC for the day, (and) we've collected even more dresses than we

# **Fruit Fly Update**

As of 31 March 2021, the fruit fly eradication response had:

- committed nearly \$20 million to the eradication
- buried nearly 80,000 kg at-risk Riverland fruit
- released more than 21 million sterile (SIT) flies in the Riverland since April 2020.

Primary producers impacted by current fruit fly outbreaks have access to the State Government's free Family and Business Support (FaBS) program.

Fruit fly impacted growers can have an informal, confidential and independent conversation with a local Riverland mentor - by phone, or in person.

Our trained local mentors work closely with other service providers such as Rural Financial Counselling and local health networks, as needed.

To find out more call the PIRSA Recovery Hotline 1800 931 314 or visit fruitfly.sa.gov.au/ industry-support

Don't forget it is very important to remove fruit from your trees and pick up fallen fruit in your yard to break the fruit fly life cycle and help to eradicate this pest.

The impact of the outbreaks is in your hands. Find out what you need to do - visit fruitfly.sa.gov.au



had on the list last year, including some from the 1800s.

"There's possibly also going to be some multicultural garments included, which will really add some interest to the parade."

Mrs Brand said more than 40 wedding dresses - collected from across South Australia and interstate - would be displayed.

"We have gowns from across the region, but we also have gowns coming from other areas of South Australia, and even some from over the border," she said.

"Different ladies who promised their own have said their sister's was beautiful and wanted that included as well.'

Mrs Brand said tickets for the event which was cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions – had nearly sold out.

"It's going to be a very special event and something the community will really enjoy,"

"(For) the hotel function room we're hoping to sell 120 tickets, and we've only got about 20 left.

"It's going to be a bigger event, and we'll be able to raise more funds due to that."

The SACWA Riverland Evening Branch's Brides through the Ages fundraiser will be held this Sunday, at the Renmark Hotel function room, from 1pm to 4pm.

Tickets cost \$40 per person, and include a silver service high tea, plus complimentary champagne and orange juice.

Further information can be found by visiting the group's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/rivergems/).



A bridal gown worn by Hester Wilson Fiddaman for her wedding to William James Burns - in 1937 - is one of more than 40 set to be displayed at the SACWA Riverland **Evening Branch's Brides through the Ages** fundraiser at the Renmark Hotel this weekend. PHOTO: supplied

# Riverland businesses still uneasy despite a start to vaccine rollout

#### **JOSH BRINE**

LOCAL businesses remain worried about the threat of snap border closures, despite the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine beginning in South Australia.

Business SA CEO Martin Haese said without a broadly vaccinated population, South Australian businesses remained at risk of border restrictions and snap lock-

"We must do everything we can to get everyone vaccinated as soon as possible," he said.

"If that means opening further vaccine sites, bringing more staff online, (and) implementing innovative ways of getting the job done including through businesses, then so be it."

Renmark Paringa Network membership and marketing co-ordinator Georgie Vermeeren said business owners had expressed some concerns with the border clo-

"I think there's still a bit of concern, particularly with markets and businesses coming in and out of Mildura given it's a Victorian town,"

"People are wondering when trade is going to return to normal between Victoria and South Australia because we have that closeness to the border.

"We were talking about holding markets the other day but a lot of our stallholders could be from Mildura and it's not clear whether they can still come over and do that.

"They couldn't last year, and we missed out on lot of that last year, so is it going to be the same this year?

"Are we going to lose that connection or is it going to go back to normal? We don't really know what to expect and how that is going to affect the economy between the two towns.

"Obviously, there are a lot of businesses in town that have contact with people and customers in Victorian towns, so that is where there is that concern."

In a letter to the state and federal health ministers, Business SA called for greater visibility of the overall vaccine rollout to provide clear and accurate timelines to the business community.

"Both levels of government need to take a businesslike approach to co-ordinating the vaccine rollout, doing everything possible to avoid



Georgie Vermeeren

ongoing financial pain for those businesses still impacted by COVID restrictions," Mr Haese said.

"We are also calling for a joint federal-state delegate to be a single source of truth."

Ms Vermeeren also said the end of the JobKeeper payment scheme last month may result in easier recruitment for local businesses. with junior and casual workers picking up more hours.

"I know that the ongoing payments of JobKeeper were causing problems with businesses being able to recruit," she said.

"People were finding the JobKeeper payments meant people weren't picking up extra hours, or they were finding that people were getting paid more to not work and stay at home instead.

"The impact it will have now that it's gone is not something I've heard from local business owners."

torage leve **HUME DAM** Current storage: 49% This time last month: 48% This time in 2020: 14% **LAKE VICTORIA** Current storage: 29% This time last month: 30% This time in 2020: 34% **MENINDEE LAKES** Current storage: 17% This time last month: 17% This time in 2020: 16% **CURRENT FLOWS** 5400ml per day **THIS TIME LAST MONTH** 6100ml per day **THIS TIME IN 2019** 4100ml per day

TOTAL MDBA active storages reduced by 20GL over the last week to 3896GL (46 per cent capacity).

At Dartmouth Reservoir the storage increased by 1GL to 2456 GL(64 per cent capacity) and the release, measured at Colemans, targeted around 250ML/day this week.

Over the past week the Hume Reservoir storage decreased by 31GL to 1431GL (48 per cent capacity).

The Hume release increased from around 8000ML/day to 16500ML/day this week to meet downstream demands.

Releases are expected to gradually reduce over the coming days.

Menindee Lakes total storage has slightly increased from 300 to 305GL (18 per cent capacity) this week.

The release from Weir 32 is currently around 300ML/day.

It is estimated that 400 to 600GL of inflow may reach Menindee Lakes as a result of flow in the Darling River.

This estimate will be revised in the coming weeks as flows move towards Menindee Lakes.

The storage level at Lake Victoria increased by 9GL to 203GL (30 per cent capacity) this week. During April and May, the storage will

increase as water from upstream is captured to reach the end of May target of 350 The flow to South Australia averaged

5400ML/day for the week and is forecast to decrease to around 5300ML/day over the coming days.

The flow includes South Australia's normal monthly entitlement flow, small volumes of consumptive trade and water for the environment.

Downstream at Lock 9 the weir pool continues to vary just below FSL. The Lock 8 and Lock 7 weir pools are currently at around 40cm below FSL.

In the second half of April, the Lock 7 weir pool will gradually increase to around 55cm above FSL to facilitate increased

At Wentworth Weir, the weir pool level continues to be managed around FSL.

The downstream flow reduced during the week to the current rate near 7200ML/ day after peaking at 7600ML/day last

# Students put local schools on the map

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

THREE local schools have been put on the map after a number of their students excelled in a global language competition recently.

Students at Renmark North School, Renmark and Glossop High School participated in the annual Language Perfect competition in week 8 of term 1.

Years 4, 5, 6, and 7 students at Renmark North focused on Greek while students at Renmark High and Glossop High received awards from multiple languages.

Renmark High placed first globally in its category and Spanish and French teacher Jasmine Sotiroulis said she was proud of her students.

"Renmark came first out of 201 schools," she said.

"Although I teach French and Spanish, I encourage students to try other languages.

"I let the kids go to make their own choices and it gives them the opportunity to learn a language they may not necessarily have exposure to.

'Some children are inspired when they learn another language and decide to take it further and as a language teacher, that's just a reminder of how special languages are and how committed and dedicated my students are."

Renmark High School siblings Meegan, year 8, and Lachlan, year 10, placed first and second in the school and Lachlan said his parents were "extremely proud".

"We could work on Language Perfect at home so my sister and I were on it every night and there was a lot of rivalry in our household," he said.

"Meegan focused on French while I did French, Italian and

"Mum is trying to get us to speak French at home now and teach her what we know.

"Meegan and I want to travel in the future and Language Perfect has taught us so much about languages and culture... by the time we're ready to travel we might be



Renmark High School came first in the Language Perfect competition recently. Back: Arman and Lachlan, both year 10, Mason, Anja and Dallas, all year 8, Rachel, year 9, Fletcher, Zahlee, Mikayla and Meegan, all year 8. Front: Saraya, Roni and Stephen, all year 8.

speaking French in France."

Fifty-seven students from Renmark North School participated in the competition and two of the highest scorers came from non-Greek backgrounds.

Year 7 student Jayda came first in the world for Greek under her category and said it felt "amazing".

"I love Greek because it's different to other languages," she said.

"It's challenging but I love it.

"I've been at Renmark North since kindy so I've learnt Greek the whole time and it's lots of fun.

"Language Perfect taught me some new words and I learnt a lot about the culture.



Renmark High School siblings Lachlan, year 10, and Meegan, year 8, placed first and second in their school for the Language Perfect competition

"I hope to take Greek further and travel to the country one day."

Renmark North School Greek culture teacher Kim Axon said her students put Renmark North "on the map".

"I had a feeling the students were going to do well, but I wasn't expecting them to do this well,"

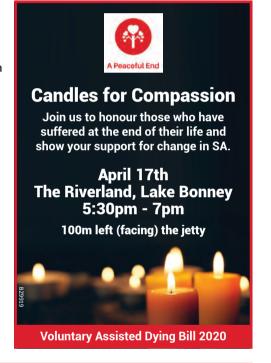
she said.

"I'm extremely proud and so is their Greek teacher Patty Panagiotopoulos. The kids love Greek and have worked very hard.

"It's a great competition to participate in and we are excited for what's to come with the state competition soon."



**Renmark North** School excelled in the Language Perfect competition recently. Pictured are students (back, left) Chloe, Leon, John, Owen and Jack, all year 7, and Michael, year 6. Middle: Jemma. year 6, Spiro, year 5, Kayden, year 6, and Justin, year 5. Front: Alissa and Ocea, both year 6, Jayda, Sienna and Nita, all year 7. Absent: Jasmine, Apostoli and Brando, all year 7. PHOTOS: Peta-Marie Philippou



























# 'Neglected' ram rescued from a Moorook paddock

pleaded guilty to animal cruelty charges after a "chronically neglected" merino ram was found with an overgrown horn rubbing against its right eye and a chain embedded in flesh around its leg.

Finalised in the Berri Magistrates court recently, the case saw the 64-year-old owner plead guilty to charges of ill treatment of an animal and placed on a \$500, two-year good behaviour bond.

The RSPCA has described the case as a "graphic reminder of the potential consequences of leaving farm animals untended in paddocks".

Responding to a cruelty report, an RSPCA South Australia inspector found the ram in a paddock at Moorook in July 2020. The RSPCSA said the ram's owner was given opportunity to remedy the situation but failed to do so.

"As a result, the ram and a meri-



A 64-year-old Riverland man no ewe were seized, crutched and the chain removed with bolt-cutters from the ram's leg," the RSPCA said in a statement.

"An angle grinder was used to cut the horn that had curled across the ram's eye."

RSPCA South Australia's chief veterinarian Dr Brad Ward said the surface of the eye had significant opacity due to inflammation, resulting in reduced vision.

Dr Ward stated the ram would have suffered significant, unrelenting pain caused by the "very hard horn" rubbing on the eye's cornea, and that the animal had endured this pain for at least nine months.

Three weeks after the removal of the section of horn covering the ram's eye, the inflammation and opacity had almost completely resolved and the ram had recovered near full-sight.

Dr Ward estimated the chain had been embedded in the ram's leg for between 10-20 days, with the animal suffering "significant pain, because the chain had split the skin, leaving the underlying soft tissues exposed".

Fortunately, once the chain was cut off the injury healed completely. Both sheep have now been

In court, the defendant stated that he had simply not gotten around to removing the horn from



Photos taken by the RSPCA prior to rescuing this neglected ram in Moorook show a chain embedded in the animal's flesh (above) and one of its horns rubbing against its right eye (left). PHOTOS: RSPCA

the ram, and that he failed to realise the chain around the animal's leg was too tight.

RSPCA South Australia's chief inspector Andrea Lewis said the defendant displayed ignorance of basic sheep husbandry requirements that had resulted in his animal suffering considerable, long term and easily avoidable pain.

"It is not good enough to put animals in a paddock, close the gate and leave them to fend for themselves," Mr Lewis said.

In addition to his good behaviour bond, the defendant has been prohibited from owning any livestock until further order. He was also ordered to surrender any livestock to RSPCA South Australia within seven days.

# Eulogies to memorialise those lives well-lived and remembered

A EULOGY or obituary is an account of someone's life shared at a funeral, memorial service or as a tribute.

When that someone has lived a full life of more than nine decades, their eulogy becomes more than a statement of gratitude, respect and admiration.

It becomes a slice of the life lived by most during this period. It is everyday trials, tribulations and triumphs recorded in a perspective of experience – and a chronicle of day-to-day life including the milestones of our developing society.

The passing of Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, on the weekend has seen many such tributes from across the globe, but most interesting for me has been the archival and



historic account of life during his life time of 99 years.

On Monday I had the privilege of listening to a well-crafted eulogy during the funeral of a local legend whose life spanned an almost identical period.

Far from British aristocracy, she was born in New Residence and lived for the most part within the immediate district at Moorook.

A champion to many, a friend to most, and queen and matriarch of her family, it was both a full life and one well-lived.

Like the organised person she was, her eulogy had been shaped by some of her own accounts of events and the music she both loved and played for all. Family members also contributed and reflected on how she had shaped and touched their lives as well.

History, they say, belongs to those who write it, but in the case of eulogies or tributes, this task can fall to those who remain and their recall and perspectives.

They all aligned on Monday, meaning the regard for her was shared by all, even if in differing perspectives of a child, grandchild

or friend.

How you are remembered is not something you can control completely but, how you treat others will have an effect and that is well within one's self.

After the service my wife asked me what music I would like played at my funeral. She also went one step further and asked me to perhaps start writing my own eulogy because how was she going to remember everything?

On reflection, to be remembered will be enough and hopefully those who do, keep me in their heart for a while.

O Trevor Norton is deputy mayor of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie and co-host of 5RM Sports Saturday, but has provided the above comment as his own opinion.



# Ricca Terra's 'ground-breaking' new award

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

A LOCAL winery received a "groundbreaking" award in a nationwide competition last month that highlighted the importance of vineyards in Australia.

Barmera's Ricca Terra winery received the Vineyard Innovation Award - dubbed 'The Ground-breaker' - at the inaugural Young Gun of Wine Vineyard of the Year Awards.

After a six-month search, which included multiple rounds of judging and site inspection, Ricca Terra proved it fit the winning criteria: strong leadership, ability to improve regional challenges and produce topquality wine.

Ricca Terra director Ashley Ratcliff said it was an honour to receive the award.

"When we found out we had won, we were pretty excited," he said.

"The judging hap-

pened over a Zoom meeting but the announcements happened in person... we had someone from the business come visit our office in the Barossa and tell us the fantastic news.

"Ricca Terra was the only South Australian vineyard to be awarded a trophy, and only four in total were presented, so it felt pretty special."

Mr Ratcliff encouraged other wineries to go for the award.

"The Riverland has a great reputation, both nationwide and worldwide, for being an amazing wine region and this award really puts the region on the map," he

"There are some amazing wineries and winemakers in the Riverland and people all over the world love what the region produces.

"There's a bright future ahead for all Riverland wineries and



Ricca Terra director Ashley Ratcliff with the Vineyard Innovation Award the winery won recently through the Young Gun of Wine Vineyard of the Year Awards. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

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## Biosecurity risks a high 'priority' for South Australian wine industry

A NEW report from a national wine industry body is aimed at reducing potential biosecurity risks for South Australian wineries and grape growers.

Vinehealth Australia last month released its Strategic Agenda 2021 to 2026 report, highlighting the organisation's role as a biosecurity expert for the grape and wine industry.

Vinehealth Australia chair Dr Prue McMichael said ensuring resilience in the wine industry was a priority.

"Our new plan identifies five priority areas," Ms McMichael said.

"We will create solutions across the supply chain, we will minimise pest impacts, we will shape the regulatory environment, we will continue to work closely with all stakeholders and we will

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cement our capacity and capability to lead.

We look forward to working with industry on delivering this plan and continuing to evolve and set the biosecurity agenda for the industry."

Vinehealth Australia CEO Inca Lee said it was vital to protect Riverland wineries and vineyards from biosecurity risks.

"Biosecurity threats are increasing, and South Australia's biosecurity status is under significant pressure," Ms Lee said.

"In our new Strategic

Agenda, we provide a clear vision for biosecurity management across the grape and wine industry in South Australia."

Ms Lee said more than 2400 registered vineyard owners across Australia were contracted to provide feedback for the report.

"The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, and suggestions received were carefully considered in creating the final version of the Strategic Agenda," she said.

"We will work closely with the South Australian and national grape and wine industry on delivery of this plan over the next five

The Vinehealth Australia Strategic Agenda 2021 to 2026 can be accessed by visiting the website (https://bit. ly/2Oxpt7m).

# **Eighth Riverland Wellness Festival** says 'Experience something new'

DISCOVERING natural ways to live a healthy, balanced and peaceful life are a number of skills locals can experience at an annual wellness event next month.

The eighth Riverland Wellness Festival will take place at the Renmark Hotel on Saturday, May 1, and Sunday, May 2, from 10am to 5pm on both days.

Riverland Wellness Festival director Sue Shaw said the festival was a "great way" to enjoy some pampering and self-care.

"Bring your family and friends, stay for lunch and enjoy treating yourself in a welcoming and friendly environment," she

"There will be many local qualified health and wellbeing professionals showcasing their products and services, such as wellbeing and holistic therapies, ecofriendly products, natural and organic skincare, aromatherapy and essential oils, psychic readings, massages, hypnotherapy sessions and more."

Entry is \$5 per day and free for children under 15.

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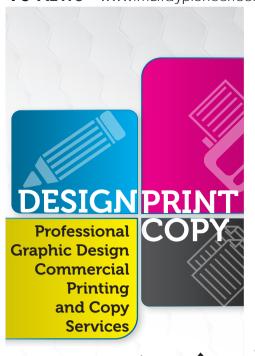
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# **Armstrong Siddeleys on the way**

RIVERLAND automobile enthusiasts will have the chance to see motoring history at a vintage car club's annual showcase next

The Armstrong Siddeley Car Club of Australia will hold its 52nd annual rally in Renmark on Saturday, May 1.

A club spokesperson said approximately 80 travellers, and 40 Armstrong Siddeley vehicles produced between 1919 and 1960, were expected at the event.

"We will be enjoying some of the many attractions on offer in the Riverland and locals will no doubt see us around the town," the spokesperson said.

The Armstrong Siddeley Car Club of Australia's annual rally Concours d'Elegance and display will be held at the Renmark Hotel on Saturday, May 1.

More information can be found by visiting the website (armstrongsiddeleycarclub.org).



The Armstrong **Siddeley** Club of **Australia** will hold its 52nd annual at the Renmark Hotel next month. PHOTOS: supplied

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## Students invited to name South Australia's satellite

PRIMARY and secondary students statewide have been invited to put forward name ideas for Australia's first state satellite, which will be sent to low-earth orbit to collect data.

Potential names for the satellite must reflect South Australia's heritage and rich cultural and linguistic diversity, with the winner to be announced at the 12th Australian Space Forum later this year.

The data collected as part of the SASAT1 Space Services Mission will help everyday South Australians, aid farmers in monitoring water levels so they can more accurately predict future crop yields, and support emergency services personnel to monitor, manage and even mitigate emergencies like bushfires.

Premier Steven Marshall said the naming competition presents an "extraordinary opportunity" for the next generation of space leaders to contribute to the milestone South Australian space mission.

"What better way to reflect the future of South Australia in our own space mission than to have a South Australian school student name the satellite itself?" he said.

"The SASAT1 Space Services Mission represents a leap forward in our state's already thriving space ecosystem and demonstrates my government's commitment to delivering on progressive, innovative ideas in partnership with South Australian industry.

"There is a universe of careers

emerging from the space sector, and one of our priorities is developing a targeted space education program aimed at inspiring our young stars; the SASAT1 Space Services Mission is a wonderful example of this action."

The small satellite will be designed, built and tested in South Australia by local company Inovor Technologies while Adelaide company Myriota will provide Internet of Things services for the mission, collecting the data and returning it to Earth.

The SmartSat Cooperative Research Centre will lead the mission as well as application prototyping.

The satellite will be launched from South Australia in 2022, spending three years in low-earth

Minister for Education John Gardner said the competition was "a fantastic opportunity" for South Australian students to participate in a landmark moment in the state's expanding space industry.

"The education system is geared up to support students to pursue careers in this important sector and I am sure this exciting opportunity will inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers to aim for the stars," he said.

Information packs for the naming competition including educational resources will be supplied to every South Australian school early in term

For more information, visit saspacemission.com.au.



# Blessed (and ready) is our new school building

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

A NEW learning space at St Joseph's School Renmark was officially opened and blessed recently by the newly appointed Port Pirie Diocese bishop at a liturgy and ceremony.

Bishop Karol Kulczycki and Catholic Education Diocese of Port Pirie director Nichii Mardon joined the St Joseph's School Renmark school community on Friday, March 19, at its new Tenison Woods Centre.

St Joseph's School Renmark assistant principal: religious identity and mission (APRIM) and inclusive education co-ordinator Michael Slagter said the school was "excited" to welcome the special visitors.

"We were definitely excited to welcome Bishop Karol and Nichii to our school," he

"Opening a new facility at the school was wonderful and to have the Bishop of the Port Pirie Diocese and the director of Catholic education for the Port Pirie Diocese join us was incredible."

Mr Slagter said the new centre can be used for a range of subjects.

"It is designed as a multi-purpose room, with a focus on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and maths)," he said.

"We have visual arts lessons in one half each week, and the other side is used for technology and language lessons as well."

Mr Slagter said the building has "many features".

"The building has a commercial kitchen in one side, and an open space in the other," he said.

"It can be opened up to be a large room for performances and visitors, as well as fit two separate classes at a time in individual lessons.

"We have a green screen installed and hope to teach students how to use this as part of media tech lessons.

"The students are already making great use of the space and love the opportunities that it creates.

"We have already had families and chefs join us to help with food tech lessons and food preparation.

"Having a building with so many possibilities means we have a great resource going forward."

Mr Slagter said the building was named after a strong Catholic figure.

"We named the building after Father



At last month's opening of St Joseph's School Renmark's new Tenison Woods Centre were (from left) Father Paul Bourke, St Joseph's School Renmark principal Don DePalma, Port Pirie Diocese Bishop Karol Kulczycki, Catholic Education Diocese of Port Pirie director Nichii Mardon, and Renmark Paringa Council Mayor Neil Martinson. PHOTOS: Peta-Marie Philippou

Julian Tenison Woods, who along with St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, founded the Sisters of St Joseph – the order who founded our school in 1919," he said.

"He later became the first director of Catholic education in Australia.

"He had a great love for science and the arts, working for three years as a scientist in Malaysia, Borneo, Hong Kong, Japan, on Royal Navy survey vessels and in the Northern Territory."

Mr Slagter said the school is slowly expanding.

"We have recently bought the block next door to the school and are busy preparing this for a new classroom," he said.

"With our enrolments steadily increasing, we need to make sure that we have great learning spaces around the school that cater for all of our students."



St Joseph's School Renmark opened its new Tenison Woods Centre recently. The building has a commercial kitchen for students to use.

# South Australian gel blaster amnesty comes to an end

RIVERLANDERS have been advised to surrender any unregistered gel blasters after a SAPOL amnesty period ended last week.

A six-month amnesty period for gel blaster owners to apply for a firearms licence – and to register their firearms – came to an end last Thursday.

SAPOL officer in charge of

the firearms branch, Detective Superintendent Billy Thompson, said 460 firearms licence applications were lodged during the amnesty period.

"Those who have applied for a firearms licence but have not been able to complete the course and therefore obtain the licence are allowed to continue to retain their gel blaster firearms until their application for a firearms licence is finalised," Supt Thompson said.

"Gel blaster firearms must be secured and not used during that

"Although the gel blaster amnesty has finished, those still with gel blaster firearms in their possession can still surrender them at a police station under the general firearms amnesty."

Gel blasters were declared as imitation firearms by SAPOL from October 8, 2020.

Further information about South Australian gel blaster regulations can be found by visiting the website (www.police.sa.gov. au/sa-police-news-assets/front-page-news/gel-blaster-firearm-amnesty-ends#.YG-cbOgzaUl).



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#### Have you thought about growing a crop that helps your

Legumes are characterised by the split shell, such as those easily recognised in peas, beans and peanuts. The shells or pods contain the seed of the plant. In the case of such foods as green beans, the pod is edible. Many legume seeds are small with a hard outer skin and require extensive cooking, as with kidney beans and chickpeas.

#### What is an advantage of growing legumes?

Legumes draw nitrogen from the surrounding air and use this for their nitrogen needs, when the plant dies and breaks down in the soil, it supplies the soil with this essential nutrient. This nitrogen fixing aids in the health of the soil, particularly for subsequent crops such as broccoli and cabbage, both heavy nitrogen feeders.

Legumes may be grown as a green manure crop. Green manure is the term applied to a crop turned into the soil after flowering but before the plant sets its seed. In the case of legumes, the high nitrogen content of the foliage revitalises soil that has been depleted by previous crops.

#### Time to plant legumes now

There is nothing better than a feed of fresh peas direct off the plant in spring or if you would like a different challenge try peanuts sown just after the frosts have finished in late spring for eating late summer.

Peanuts grow a plant on the surface but like a potato the important part takes place under the soil from stalks that grow down from the plant and the peanuts form on the end of each stalk. After they flower it is time to pick the crop by digging up the entire plant or like potatoes, you can raid a few by following the stalks down and digging a few peanuts up as you want them.

Seeds for peanuts can be obtained by buying fresh uncooked peanuts from health food

#### **Quote of the month**

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# Lions clubs hear students roar



THREE Glossop High School students participated in this year's Lions Youth of the Year awards under the Berri district banner.

Cameron Dixon, Bianca Feher and Erin Wood, all year 12, took part in the event which is designed to help students improve citizenship qualities before entering the workforce.

The trio competed at the Berri Lions Club final on February 24 at the Berri Hotel, with Bianca receiving the public speaking award and Cameron taking home the overall win.

Cameron went on to compete at the C2 District Final in Goolwa - where he came runner up – and will now go to the state final at Golden Grove High School in Adelaide this Sunday to compete against other district finalists statewide.

Cameron said the competition helped him improve his leadership, personality, sportsmanship and public-speaking qualities.

"The opportunity came up through school to participate in the local competition, which I saw was a great way to express my voice and opinion on a topic that has given me so much," he said.

"The competition expressed leadership and how others can implement it into their daily lives.



The Berri Lions Club hosted round one of the Lions Youth of the Year awards at the Berri Hotel recently. Pictured are (from left) Dr Adeline Premanand, Glossop High School year 12 students and participants Erin Wood, Bianca Feher and Cameron Dixon, and Berri Lions Club's Allan Dand. PHOTOS: supplied

"I learnt that everyone is a leader in their own way and sometimes without knowing it, you could be influencing others and that's really special."

Cameron said he was grateful for the opportunity.

'The Berri Lions Club, Glossop High School and my teacher Mrs Lindner have given and still give me so much support with this endeavour," he said.

"I look forward to what's



Glossop High School's Cameron Dixon will compete at the Lions Youth of the Year **State Finals** this

# SA set to launch mentoring program for veterans

TWO new pilot mentoring programs designed to support those with military experiences in South Australia were announced this week.

The State Government says research shows a successful mentor-mentee relationship encourages and empowers personal and professional development and helps mentees identify, plan and work towards future goals.

The pilot program is a first for South Australia with nominations now open before the official program launch in early

"Those with military experience add an unparalleled level of diversity and experience to any

workplace or organisation and this mentoring program is specifically designed to further build the capacity of those who have served to continue to lead active and full lives in our community post their military transition," Premier Steven Marshall said.

"The program will connect veterans to local leaders from a range of different sectors to share industry knowledge and support mentees ongoing professional and personal development."

Mentors are being sought from all sectors of the community, with the program initially targeting female veterans who have transitioned from the Australian Defence Force as well as veterans who have transitioned out of the military over the last three to eight years as non-commissioned officers.

The programs will be facilitated by Veterans SA, the South Australian State Government agency supporting veterans and their families, and will run for a period of six months.

Veterans SA director, Catherine Walsh, said she hoped the program would be beneficial to both veterans and the wider South Australian community.

"We talk about the veteran community existing within the wider South Australian community and we hope this mentor program can show those who have recently transitioned out of the military that the community is here to support them," Ms Walsh said.

"We know over the last five years over 70 per cent of those who have transitioned in South Australia have been non-commissioned officers.

"Nothing like this program has been done before in South Australia and I am very eager to see how a program like this can have a positive impact on those with military service."

Nominations for Mentees and Mentors opened on April 12 and close off May 17, and May 31 respectively.

For more information or to apply head to the Veterans SA website www.veteranssa.gov.au.



Renmark RSL social officer Ray Hartigan (second from right) launching the group's Anzac Youth Leadership Award program, with St Joseph's School Renmark year 6/7 teacher Steph Hocking (left), year 7 student Matthew, principal Don DePalma and year 7 student Amy. PHOTO: Deirdre Graham

# Local RSL looks to inspire our kids

#### **HUGH SCHUITEMAKER**

A NEW award program being run by a Riverland RSL branch is aimed at inspiring "integrity, honesty and loyalty" among local youth.

The Renmark RSL sub-branch last month launched the Anzac Youth Leadership Award, allowing local schools and community groups to highlight young Riverlanders with leadership qualities.

Renmark RSL social officer Ray Hartigan said encouraging and rewarding young community leaders was a priority for the local sub-branch.

"The role of the RSL is changing," Mr Hartigan said.

"It's vital that commemoration is a major role, because our pledge is lest we forget, (but) the members of the RSL see the youth as our future.

"At the (Anzac Day) ceremony over the last few years, the guest speaker has not been an old soldier... it's been a young person.

"The president and members of the RSL in Renmark are quite progressive in their ideals, because not only do they want commemoration to happen, they want education."

St Joseph's School Renmark year 6/7 classroom teacher Stephanie Hocking said

the initiative would build connections between students and the RSL.

"St Joseph's School and the year 6/7 students feel fortunate to be involved," Ms Hocking said.

"These awards help the students to understand the importance of the characteristics that forged our national identity and gives them the opportunity to connect with Australia's formative history.

"The invaluable leadership qualities the students are developing will enable them to become the future leaders of our community."

Recipients of the awards will receive a

certificate and monetary prize.

Mr Hartigan said young Riverlanders possessing leadership traits – including a sense of equality, a non-discriminatory attitude, a belief in fair play and a strong sense of mateship – should be nominated.

"The legend of the Anzac spirit is embodied by all those things," he said.

"Instead of just words and a pat on the back, there is a meaningful amount of money that also goes with it.

"In the future, when the last returned serviceman who has seen combat is gone, we're hoping one of these people will be running the dawn service, and the Remembrance Day service

"That way we would not have forgotten."

#### Renmark RSL ANZAC Youth Leadership Award prizes:

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#### Deadly bat virus reaches SA

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"ABL is a rabies-like disease that can be transmitted to humans if they are bitten or scratched by an infected bat and if treatment is delayed until after the onset of symptoms, the condition is invariably fatal," said Dr Louise Flood, of the Department for Health and Wellbeing's communicable disease control branch.

"While only 1 per cent of bats usually carry ABL, these two recent exposures are concerning and are an important reminder that bats should only ever be handled by appropriately trained and vaccinated animal handlers.

"While the development of ABL from bat bites or scratches can be prevented through prompt wound management and postexposure prophylaxis, it is important to avoid contact in the first place."

The department advised people to contact a doctor or hospital emergency department if bitten.

# Local skate park 'canvas' for new indigenous mural

A RIVERLAND skate park will become the canvas for a "bold" mural created by Aboriginal youth - guided by professional and emerging artists – next week.

Contemporary Aboriginal artist Scott Rathman will visit the region from Adelaide to work with local young people in a three-day workshop to create street art at the Renmark Skate Park focused on the First People of the Murray River and Mallee

He will be supported by Riverland artists Daniel Giles and Aunty Sheryl Johnson, who will help facilitate the project and ensure it is culturally appropriate to the region, as well as developing their capacity to deliver another public mural as a follow-up initiative.

Regional agency ac.care

has led the school holiday project after youth worker Nicole Honey identified the mural opportunity with users of the Darnley Taylor Park

She said local Aboriginal young people would be key contributors to the project, putting forward design ideas as skate park users and helping create the street art.

As a key driver of the project, she has worked to provide opportunities for young people, particularly in the arts, and hopes the school holiday activity will also create valuable mentoring opportunities for local Aboriginal artists, while enhancing public spaces to be more welcoming and

"The project will create a vibrant mural for the skate park and another Riverland location, while providing meaningful activity for local

Aboriginal young people over the school holidays, developing their art skills and confidence," Ms Honey said.

"We hope the project will enhance the sense of belonging young people feel in this community space, feeling more connected with their community and a sense of cultural pride."

Mr Rathman is an Arrernte descendant who has lived the majority of his life in Adelaide, but was born in Loxton and spent his formative years growing up in Berri, continuing to visit family in the region regu-

The rich design in his work is a tribute to his grandmother, who was a member of the Stolen Generation, and his curiosity to explore and understand his cultural background is the passion that drives him to continue to look at new tions of his heritage with designs of the present day.

Mr Rathman enjoys creating artworks in public places as a reminder Aboriginal people are still here and their culture is still as important today as it has always been.

Recognised as the 2019 NAIDOC Awards Riverland Non-Aboriginal Worker of the Year, Ms Honey is involved in ac.care's Opening Doors and STAY (Service to Aboriginal Youth) support programs for young people in the region.

The project was made possible by the Australian Government's Regional Arts Fund, which supports the arts in regional and remote Australia, and was the recipient of a Country Arts SA Step Out Grant.

Renmark Paringa Council has also supported the skate park project.





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**Probus members** visited Waikerie scrap metal artist Brian Coats' home during their recent annual general meeting for a tour of his artwork, including an eagle at the driveway entrance. PHOTO: supplied

Waikerie Ladies

### Scrap metal art on show in Waikerie

A WAIKERIE scrap artist recently hosted a local group for a tour of his workshop and scrap metal art.

Waikerie Ladies Probus members held their annual general meeting at the venue.

Secretary Chris Hoffmann said members enjoyed a visit to Brian Coats' home, where he gave a tour and presentation on his artwork

"Brian's tour and talk was a great reminder that life after retirement can be extremely fulfilling," she said.

"He wholeheartedly enjoys giving scrap metal new life, and his creations include emus, squirrels, goannas, dragonflies, an eagle, and many more.

"After a morning tea, Probus members and visitors had a lovely time wandering around Brian's garden admiring his creations, then returned to the Waikerie

Bowling Club for a delicious luncheon."

The group's committee remaining unchanged at the annual general meeting.

Members will travel to Rocky's Hall of Fame and Pioneer Museum, the Barmera tourist office, Bonney Theatre, and Bella Lavender Estate on April 27.

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#### **HOLIDAY FUN:**

No plans these school holidays? The Renmark Paringa Council has put together an April school holiday program, which is available at the Renmark Paringa Public Library. Activities include cooking, Lego, and lantern workshops, while EnviroEdu is bringing some wildlife for kids to experience and PS Industry cruises will take place. Visit the council website or the library to have a look at all the fun activities happening and book

now.

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#### **LION KING JR:**

The Young Riverland Musical Society will present its production of Lion King Jr this weekend at Barmera's Bonney Theatre. The show unfortunately was postponed last year due to COVID so we're in for an exciting weekend. Tickets are only \$10 each and seating will be checkerboard formation due to COVID restrictions. For more information or to purchase tickets to one of the four shows, visit https://www.trybooking.com/BPIOR.

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Monash's Elaine Schulz took this shot recently.

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ALLEGRA'S AWARD: Barmera Primary School student Allegra won a NAIDOC Week 2020 short story competition recently. The competition was open to all students in years 3 to 6 statewide. Students were asked to write about an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person who inspires them. Allegra wrote a piece on Olympian Cathy Freeman. Allegra is pictured with Barmera Primary School Aboriginal education teacher Sarah Wright. PHOTO: supplied



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Libby, year 3, at the annual Loxton North **School Harvest Festival and Great Stomp** recently. PHOTOS: Peta-Marie Philippou

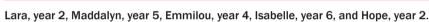


Waikerie Lutheran Primary School (WLPS) student Jaisnav during the school's recent colour run. PHOTOS: supplied



WLPS students (from left) Addison, Adele, Marni, Kiara and Callie creating rangoli to celebrate the Holi Festival.







Keanu, school, and Penelope, reception.



Will and William, both year 5.

Glossop High **School** students at the Berri Easter **Parade** earlier this month. PHOTO: Peta-Marie





Ramco Primary School reception and year 1 students travelled to Illawonga, which is based at Swan Reach, for an overnight camp recently. Pictured is Brandt. PHOTOS: supplied



Blake.



Nicholas.



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# SCHOOLYARD SOCIALS



Barmera Primary School students scored some new personal bests at the SAPSASA athletics event in Waikerie recently. Pictured are (from left) Shaya, Bailey and Ella Mae, all year 6, and Kaitlyn, year 5. PHOTOS: supplied



Ocea, year 6.



Sophie, year 7.



Jordan, year 5.



Bailey, year 6.



Luke, year 6, Noah, Durell and Mason, all year



Kaleigh, year 5, Mia, year 4, Jordan, year 5, and Sienna, year 4.



Lazara, Gypsey, Mia and Sophie, all year 7.



Indi, year 6, Isabelle and Heidi, both year 7, and Alyra, year 6.



Harry and Mitchell, both year 6, Nate, year 7, and Toby, year 6.



Mason and Asher, both year 5, Nate, year 4, and Jimmy, year 5.



Mason, year 5.



Sophie, year 7.

# OUT & ABOUT



#### HAVE SOME SOCIAL PICTURES TO SHARE?

Send your photos with captions to: editor@murraypioneer.com.au and we'll feature them on this page



Lexie Haynes, 4. and Madison Ritter, both of Berri, at the Berri **Traders Easter** Carnival earlier this month. PHOTOS: Peta-Marie Philippou



The Waikerie Horse and Pony Club held its Waikerie Easter Show over three days recently. Pictured are Terry Hocking and Ace during fashions on the field. PHOTO: supplied



Waikerie Ladies Probus members visited local artist Brian Coats' home recently for a tour around his workshop and garden, where many of his scrap metal pieces are arranged. PHOTOS: supplied

Representing Rivergum Christian College and the Berri Church of Christ at the Eastern Carnival were Clarissa Lemon. 10, Denika Clark, 12. and Kaniesha Miller, 13.





Members Waikerie Ladies **Probus** admiring large scrap metal artwork created by Brian Coats.

# Upcoming documentary on Australian country music singer Wanita

THE world premiere of a documentary on an Australian country artist is to make its debut at the Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival this

I'm Wanita, the Matthew Walkerdirected documentary, is produced by Carolina Sorensen, Clare Lewis, and Tait Brady with support from Screen Australia, Screen NSW and the ABC. It is Matthew's debut feature and follows the Aussie self-crowned "Queen of Honky Tonk", Tamworth-based artist Wanita Bahtivar. It will screen as part of the Artscapes strand of the festival, a program that features work exploring creativity in the performing and visual arts.

This doco, which was filmed over five years, follows **Wanita** from our Aussie country music capital, Tamworth, to Sun Studio in Memphis, through to streets and studios in New Orleans, and to America's 'music city', Nashville.

Interestingly, a theatrical release for the work is planned for later in 2021 via Label Distribution, before being aired on

A quote from Carolina Sorensen:

ROBYN **MCINTOSH** 



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"Wanita and her unique story have been overlooked up to this point, but we are thrilled that Hot Docs, with its ongoing commitment to diversity and inclusion, is giving this film and woman the platform they deserve."

Hot Docs will run online from April 29 to May 9, with a slate of 219 films from

Known as a dynamic performer, Wanita is a popular act at the Tamworth festival and always gives it her all.

Former South Aussie entertainer Bill Chambers has been captured on canvas by Norfolk Island artist Adam Jauczius. who will be heading to Sydney with the painting for submission into the 100th

Archibald Prize Adam met Bill on Norfolk Island in 2008 at the annual country music festival, when he and his family were festival

They soon found that they could quite easily have met in the 1980s, when Adam and his wife spent two years on the Nullarbor while Adam had worked at the Forrest Weather Station for two years and at Eucla for 10 years.

While out exploring one day, Adam and Jenny came upon a fox hunter's campsite, stopping to take photos of feral cat skins hanging in a meat chiller and the absent hunter's motorbike, before returning to Forrest.

This camp was, of course, the Chambers camp, and it wasn't until Adam told Bill about living out on the Nullarbor and showing him some photos of his time out there that Bill recognised their

Nullarbor campsite among them.
The Chambers family first went to Norfolk Island in 1996 with the Island capturing their hearts. It has been their favourite winddown getaway place ever

It was where *Living in the Circle* (the **Dead Ringer Band**'s 1997 album) and Kasey Chambers' 1999 solo release, The

Captain, were conceived.

It was while discussing their lives in the outback that Adam mentioned Desert Blood. Desert Blood was duly written and recorded, with Bill giving Adam a songwriting credit for the idea.

This is not Adam's first country music portrait, as in 2016 he painted charismatic singer-guitarist Matt Zarb, followed in 2018 by Arrernte elder and country music performer Warren H Williams, and in 2020, The Bushwackers madcap fiddler Mark Oats.

With a good reaction from Bill's family, friends and fans, we wish Adam all the

best in these prestigious awards. Adam Jauczius is also a great landscape artist, so check his work out on the Norfolk Art Facebook page

The Country Music Association of

Australia has announced that the residential Academy of Country traditional residential courses will continue in July 2021 for juniors and January 2022 for seniors COVID-19 restrictions permitting.

For the next two years the online

AcademyX program will run in addition to this, thanks to the support of a \$41,652 grant from Regional Arts NSW over the next two years.

Restrictions had forced the CMAA to adjust its Academy of Country Music program from a face-to-face experience to online delivery this past January.

This was to maintain the vital career development program that has traditionally been delivered for aspiring senior students in January, and juniors and parents in July each year.

The Academy kicked off in 1997, firstly known as The CMAA College of Country Music, and later as The CMAA Academy of Country Music.

The Academy currently runs the senior and junior residential courses, mentoring and nurturing the careers of hundreds of young performers from every corner of Australia and New Zealand.

Included in the fee is all accommodation, meals, mentoring, workshops, tuition and performances for the duration of the course, which is held at Calrossy School in Tamworth.

#### COMMUNITY DIARY

A guide to what's on in the Riverland and Northern Mallee for community non-profit events. Email: editor@murraypioneer.com.au with an event description in 30 words or less.

#### **WEEKLY**

Every Sunday at 2pm - guided tours of The Pines Historic House, 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. COVID guidelines in place. Extra tour inquiries, Charmaine 0438 844 717 or Mike 0427 820 815.

#### **WEEKLY**

U3A Riverland have vacancies in the following activities held in the U3A clubrooms on Strawbridge St, Berri. Indonesian Mondays - 1-2.30 pm, card making with a difference - third Wednesday of the 1.30-3pm.

Chainsaw and garden tool maintenance contact Brent 8586 5253.

#### **WEEKLY**

Every Monday, even long weekends, 1pm to 4pm. Card and board games at Renmark Lutheran Church, 62 Seventeenth Street Renmark. Phone Roz Frazer 8595 1560.

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14**

U3A Riverland invite you to attend a working bee at the Clubrooms on Strawbridge St on from 10.am. Sausage Sizzle lunch to follow. RSVP Tony. 0447 781 820.

#### **FRIDAY, APRIL 16**

Card luncheon 11am, Waikerie Hospital day care centre. Groups of four. Two-course lunch.

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 17**

Renmark Lions Club Fundraising Bazaar 8am to 12 noon at Renmark No2 Oval - W E Wood Hall. Lots of bargains. EFTPOS, BBQ, Donuts. Covid-19 protocols apply. Contact Colin 0419 801 996.

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 18**

The PS Industry will steam dur-

ing school holidays on Sunday for information 1300 661 704. April 18th 2021, for one hour trips, at 10.30am, 12.30pm and 2.00pm. www.discoverrenmark.com.au for bookings, or for information 1300 661 704.

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 27**

Waikerie Ladies Probus upriver bus trip. Seats still available. Chris 0428 412 495.

#### **SUNDAY, MAY 2**

The PS Industry will steam during school holidays on Sunday May 2nd 2021, for one hour trips, at 10.30am, 12.30pm and 2pm. www.discoverrenmark.com.au for bookings, or

#### **SUNDAY, MAY 23**

Open Day Olivewood Historic Homestead. 10am to 4pm. Dedication to Argo Barge and volunteers at 2pm. Market stalls. Event coincides with SA History Festival and National Volunteers Week.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Chaffey Rose Club 25th birthday celebrations on September 10, 11 and 12. Ring secretary Dale on 0420 383 948 for inquiries.

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Step outside and you have a high pitched outdoor entertaining area which overlooks the manicured lawn and gardens. The yard is split into two levels proving further space to create something at the rear or maintain the existing established gardens. Situated at the rear of the property is the Colorbond shed which includes an enclosed office, ideal for those seeking further space to work from home or even those wanting a man cave.

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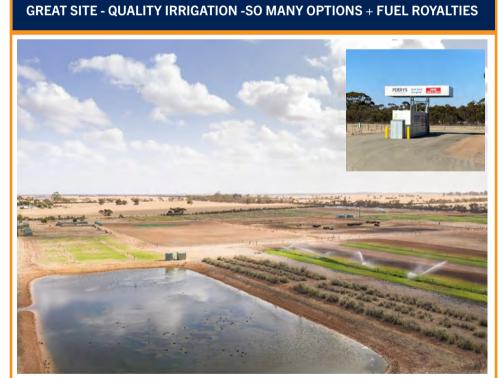
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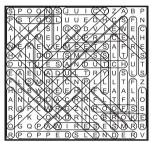
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### **April 2021 Horoscopes: week 3**

#### ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)

Help a colleague who needs your advice. This person may be going through an unlucky patch at the moment. Romance. A powerful aspect to Venus early in the month will give your love-life a boost. Try to find time to relax with your partner by doing something which you both enjoy.

#### TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)

A favourable aspect to Mars could make you a little restless at times. Make sure that you find a new outlet for all your enthusiasm before it gets out of hand. Romance. A person whom you met recently may be having a much stronger effect on your life than you realise. Don't be afraid to make your feelings known.

#### GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)

A powerful aspect to Jupiter will help to give your confidence a major boost. At times you may be a little full of yourself. However, if you focus your energy constructively you will get a lot done. Romance. Don't take any risks with your relationship. An offer which seems too good to be true could create tension.

#### CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)

Don't consider a major change to your career for the time being. A move which might seem to make sense now could soon go the wrong way. Romance. A recent dream will help you to make a decision which has been on your chest for some time. Follow the message in the dream as closely as you can.

#### LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)

You might be in the mood for some changes. A powerful aspect to Uranus will help you to come up with some good ideas. You need to see your present situation from an entirely new angle. Romance. An expensive outing may end up being less romantic than you had been hoping for.

#### VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)

Ask for advice if necessary. Listen to what your friends have to say and then make your own mind up. Romance. Make sure you understand the consequences of a forthcoming decision before you take the plunge. There may be easier ways to get what you want.

#### LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)

A decision should not hinge on the advice of a single person. You need to ask as many people as possible and work out your best strategy before you make a move. Romance. At times you can be too shy to tell your partner how much you care about them.

#### SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)

A string of bills may have thrown your finances off balance. You need to find ways of saving money, even if this means cutting down on luxuries for a while. Romance. A plan to improve your love-life will be successful, so long as you start soon. Don't expect instant results, however.

#### SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)

Don't keep on making the same mistakes over and over again. You may be relying on assumptions which are incorrect. Romance. You won't want to be bossed around by anyone at the moment! Your relationship will stay on track so long as your partner doesn't try too hard to control you.

#### CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)

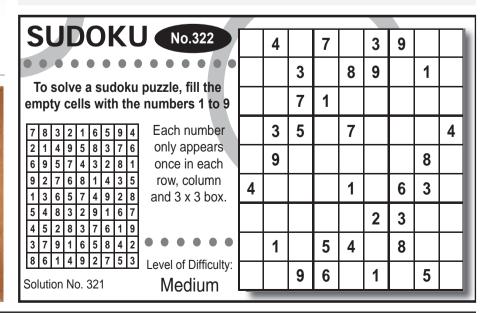
A visit later in the week will help you to get your social life back on track. A friend whom you had forgotten about will soon be back in your life. Romance. You will be very sensitive to other people's feelings at the moment. This would be a good time to try to understand your partner a little better.

#### AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)

A positive aspect to Mars early in the week will help to give your energy levels a boost. Push ahead with a plan which you have been waiting to get started on. Romance. A get-together with a colleague from work will change your relationship with this person. Be careful not to take things too

#### PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)

A pleasant surprise will help to make up for a recent let-down. You may be beginning to lose faith with this person - but don't give up yet. Romance. A romantic dinner will help to draw you to your partner - you have had other things on your mind recently and may have been drifting apart.





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# Hon. Tim Whetstone MP Member for Chaffey

#### **Chaffey Community Column**

#### **Easter tourism boost**

The Easter period saw perfect weather and thousands of visitors flock to the region. National parks, reserves and many accommodation operators were at capacity over the four days. providing a welcome boost to the local economy. I would like to commend those local councils and organisations who put on great events to entice everyone, locals as well as visitors.

#### A time to honour our ANZACs

In just under two weeks the Riverland and Mallee communities will come together at ANZAC services around the region to honour those who served our country. This year will be special given services in 2020 were forced to cancel due to COVID-19. ANZAC Day is a time to reflect on an important part of our nation's history by coming together at these events. I will be present at several ceremonies around the region and I encourage you to attend your local ANZAC Day service

#### Karoonda Farm Fair

On Friday and Saturday, I attended the Karoonda Farm Fair. It was great to see the event back after last year's hiatus and it was another success story for the organising committee. Thousands of people attended the event, highlighting not only the importance of the agriculture sector to our State but also the important role country shows play in our regional areas



#### **Advance Together Grants**

I am encouraging multicultural organisations to apply for the Advance Together Grants, administered by Multicultural Affairs within the Department of the Premier and Cabinet. These grants provide one-off funding to eligible multicultural organisations to develop projects that improve their governance and strengthen their capacity building skills. Grants of up to \$5,000 are available with applications closing 30 April 2021 at 5pm. For more information please visit www.dpc. sa.gov.au/responsibilities/multicultural-affairs/ grants/advance-together-grants.

#### **Grassroots Grants**

The Grassroots Grants program supports and individuals who work at a local level on a not for profit basis to help in the management of the Murraylands and Riverland region. All projects must contribute to one or more of the Board's regional priorities and focus areas. For more information please visit www.landscape.sa.gov.au/mr/getinvolved/funding-opportunities/2021-22\_grant\_ programs.



### Waikerie triathlete among the winners as hundreds converge...



WELL DONE: Waikerie's Sarah Kuchel won the 45-49 age group event at the 2021 Murray Man triathlon held at Lake Bonney on the weekend. **PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff** 

# Sarah conquers Murray Man

#### **BRENDAN LINES**

WAIKERIE triathlete Sarah Kuchel won the women's 45-49 event at the Murray Man triathlon held at Lake Bonney, Barmera, on the weekend.

Kuchel was part of the field of more than 400 competitors taking on the gruelling 113km long course involving a 1.9km swim in Lake Bonney, a 90km cycle and 21.1km run.

The event has enjoyed great success in recent years and the throng of visitors pump significant money into the local economy.

A contingent of three Riverland Triathlon Club members, Kuchel, Dale Engler and Mark Pfennig, were joined by former Waikerie resident Craig Wilson, testing their mettle in the four-hour plus endurance event, held in less-than-ideal conditions. Despite the weather, a large contingent of locals turned out to watch the event.

Mark Pfennig, president of the Riverland Triathlon Club, said the breezy conditions around Lake Bonney made the bike leg challenging

"The wind really started blow-

ing in on the bike leg, it was quite breezy and a tough day on the bike," he said.

Kuchel completed the course

in a time of five hours and 59 seconds, exceeding her expectations. "She had a target time of five

hours and 30 minutes..." he said.

In his first attempt at the longcourse Engler placed third behind Wilson in the 35-39 event.

Engler said the breeze mixed up the field on the bike leg.

"Overall it was a pretty tough race," he said.

'Coming back into a 20 kilometre an hour head-wind around the lake was bit of a grind.

"It made some people's day a bit harder."

Wilson, a veteran of the Hawaiian ironman event in Kona, finished 37 seconds ahead of

Engler had the measure of Wilson on the bike leg leading into the run, but Wilson reeled in Engler to claim second on the final lap of the run.

The open category was taken out by 2019 Challenge Vietnam podium-finisher Sam Tebeck, of Adelaide, in a time of 04:09:13.6.



Competitors plunge into cold Lake Bonney for the start of the 2021 Murray Man on Sunday morning.



Breezy conditions made the bike leg particularly challenging this





Barmera man Andrew Hague during his run leg of the Murray Man on Sunday. Around 400 competitors took part in the annual event this vear.

### THE FAIR-WEATHER GARDENER

AREN'T we lucky to live in the Riverland in autumn, where the weather is so beautiful?

I hope you took advantage of it over Easter.

It is also perfect weather to be gardening and as usual there is plenty to do and to enjoy.

#### **JAPANESE WINDFLOWER**

One of the stars of autumn gardens is the perennial flower known as the Japanese windflower, anemone hybrida.

These elegant flowers actually originated in China.

They come in shades of pink and white, in single or double rows of petals. The single white form is possibly the most elegant, as the flowers hover like exotic moths above the foliage.

"Honorine Jobert' is a single white form and 'Whirlwind' is a semi-double white variety.

They grow quite well in our area, preferring a part-shaded position. They appreciate reasonable watering and organic-enriched soils.

Propagation is usually by root cutting or division. They respond well to an organic fertiliser.



#### **INDOOR PLANTS**

The best way to ensure a happy and healthy indoor plant is to make sure it gets the light it needs.

As our sunlight hours decrease you may need to look at the amount of light your indoor plants are receiving.

If, like me, you have moved them further away from the windows in summer, so as to prevent burning, you will need to move them closer to the light

It is also a great time to do any repotting and fertilising, especially if they have outgrown their pot.

Make sure you use a good quality

A soaking of Seasol or similar will be beneficial for all of your pots.

Don't forget to keep them away from heaters and draughts.

Plants make people happy and indoor plants have been proven to be good for our health.

The act of caring for and looking after indoor plants is rewarding and on a cold, miserable, wintry day this can lift our spirits.

#### **PLANNING and JOBS**

1. Many bare-rooted plants for our gardens are not available until June. Now is the time to order the ones you want, such as fruit trees, ornamentals, grapes and roses.

2. Plant flowering annuals such as poppies, calendulas, snapdragon, ageratum and lobelia.

- 3. You still have time to sow sweet peas. Once established water fortnightly with a soluble flower fertiliser.
  - 4. Deadhead and fertilise roses.
- 5. Clip hedges of rosemary and lavender to tidy up for winter.
- 6. Cut back catnip (nepeta) and seaside daisy (erigeron glaucus), and trim to shape summer flowering native such as melaleuca and bottlebrush.

You can divide strappy-leafed plants such as liriope and dianella and take cuttings of the Japanese sacred bamboo (nandina domestica).

Top up your mulch to reduce weeds and water loss.



There is so much to do at this time of the year, but if plants don't exist, neither do we. That's a pretty strong reason to surround ourselves with

Until next time stay safe and well.

OUR country is again united, this time with all of the Commonwealth countries, with the sadness of the passing of H.R.H. Prince Philip, much-loved husband of our Queen Elizabeth.

The couple were married for 73 years. Both Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip have visited Australia many times and they visited Renmark in 1974. Riverland residents who were there will always remember that special occasion. I was privileged to have had the honour of meeting Prince Phillip on two occasions at the Adelaide Town Hall as the Riverland region co-ordinator for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. As I have mentioned before, when introduced as from Waikerie he quickly responded "Yes Waikerie, the home of the world gliding championships". Australia hosted a Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Event in 1979, and one of the groups for SA did a canoe trip down the River Murray. We at Waikerie welcomed those young adults from other countries participating into our homes. Some of them are still in contact with their visitors after all those

We give thanks and congratulations to Mrs

#### **KEEPING IN** TOUCH WITH GWEN WEBBER



gwenwebber21@gmail.com

Joan Rogers upon a very special milestone with childcare. Joan has shared her love and care for 20 years to the little ones in Waikerie and is now caring for the next generation.

Would you like to enjoy a morning at the movies? It will be the heart-warming Peter Rabbit 2 on Thursday, April 22 at 10am. Coach leaves the Waikerie Uniting Church car park at 8.30 am. Coach donation is \$10 (subsidised by Waikerie Uniting Church). Tickets to Chaffey Theatre for the movie are \$12.50, with lunch at Renmark Club

at own cost. Invite a friend or two go with you, or if you have a grandchild who would love to go with you, because it will be in the school holidays, contact Jan Pearson on 0448 893 055 for further

Adelaide Crows Riverland Supporters Group had a get together at the Waikerie Hotel on Sunday to watch the game against North Melbourne on the big screen. It was very successful event, particularly as despite slipping a little in the third quarter, the Crows stormed home to win in the fourth quarter. Thanks to the members who travelled from the other towns to share the event, and thanks to the Waikerie Hotel for its excellent service to our supporters group.

Are you a talented quilter, needle worker or enjoy patch working? The ABC's Landline program - which is very popular with regional Australians - is celebrating 30 years. To celebrate this event they are asking rural residents to participate with the making of huge patchwork quilt. Those with the talents of quilting, knitting, crochet, felting, weaving, dyeing, applique, spinning or lace making are asked to create a square 15cm x 15cm, maximum 2cm thick, with finished edges. The theme is 'life on the land' which could mean animals, vehicles, landscape, fields of produce, or whatever regional or rural areas mean to you. For more info visit: https://ab.co/3m74hRT

Great news: the popular Waikerie Hospital Card Days with lunch are re-commencing this Friday, April 16, from 11am to 3pm at the Waikerie Hospital's activity room. Come and enjoy the day with friends, enjoy the delicious lunch knowing you are supporting your local health services. Cost is \$10 per person.

Don't forget Candles for Compassion, this Saturday, April 17, from 5.30pm to 7pm at Lake Bonney, Barmera. Come and join with the group as we honour those who have suffered, and show your support for change in South Australia.

Thought for the week: You're never a loser until you quit trying.

- Mike Ditka





1.	What layer in the atmosphere is responsible for
	filtering out solar radiation?

- What name did Jacques Cousteau call his main research vessel?
- Elton John wrote the song "Philadelphia Freedom" as a tribute to which tennis star?
- Dubai is a major city located in which Arab
- What villainous role did comedian Jim Carrey play in "Batman Forever"?
- ••••• Which country did NATO bomb in 1999 to try to end the war in Kosovo?

**BONUS** 

QUESTION:

- How many noses does a slug have?
- What was the lifespan of a Tyrannosaurus Rex?
- On a common ladybug, what colour are its spots?
- 10. How big is the diameter of a basketball hoop?
- 11. What letter is not included in any of the 50 U.S. state names?
- 12. On which hand did Captain Hook have his hook?

- ..... 13. What is a haboob?
- •••••• 14. What is the warmest sea on Earth?

- 15. What is the only major city located on two continents?
- 16. Which nut is used to make dynamite?
- 17. What is the only edible food that never expires?
- 18. What is a chef's tall hat called?
- 19. What is the fastest snake in the world?
- 20. What was the first car that was mass-produced?

**Answers on page 36** 

TOM TRIFONOFF

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**BROUGHT TO YOU BY OUIZ MASTER** 

Who said, after watching cricket for an hour, "This is great, but when does it start"? Answer in next week's Quiz.

# Unhealthy truckies in spotlight, but local says drivers are...



Local business owner and former National Transport Commission member Barry Fletcher says support for the mental and physical health of truck drivers has improved in recent years. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

#### **COURTNEY BURKE**

UP to 70 per cent of truck drivers are having a near miss on our roads every week due to poor mental and physical health, a new study

Monash University has released figures around truck driver health that show 80 per cent of drivers are overweight or obese, one in five suffer from depression, over 70 per cent live with chronic pain and almost a third have multiple chronic health conditions.

However, local business owner, truck driver and former National Transport Commission member Barry Fletcher said the study "looks like something that's from 10 years ago, when things hadn't changed".

"In the last few years what's available has significantly changed in terms of drivers talking about their problems with the employer," he said.

"I think employers have (support) available these days, it's whether the employees hold their hand up and say 'Hey, I need some help'. Ten years ago, no one spoke to anyone about it, they just put up with it and that's the way it worked."

Mr Fletcher, 63, has been in the transport industry since he was 16 and said the current outlook is a vast improvement.

"It's a healthier lifestyle than ever now," "I've got half a dozen drivers and not one

of them is obese. "A lot of our drivers take their own food

with them. (Firstly) for their lifestyle and (secondly) because it's cost affective.

"I carry around a little gas barbecue, pots, pans and I take some packs of meat."

The study found that 13 per cent of the 400 surveyed reported having a crash in the past year and 70 per cent of drivers reported having a near miss on average one per week.

"I think poor health issues don't contribute to truck drivers' near misses with other trucks, I think it's near misses with other cars," Mr Fletcher said.

"Going from Berri to Barmera at the Monash T-intersection there – that worries me every time I have to go along.

"I wonder if that car or that truck is going to stop because we're going straight through and you have to keep worrying about it every

"'Has the person in the car seen me?' You just don't know until you get there. It's something to get used to."

Half of those surveyed work 41 to 60 hours per week and 37.5 per cent work over 60 hours per week. Mr Fletcher said that up to 60 hours) was often "normal".

"In a seven-day period you can drive 12 hours a day for six days and on the seventh day you must have a 24-hour break," he said.

"Driving 12 hours a day is fine. You have breaks and our drivers are allowed to do 14 hours a day with basic fatigue management (BFM).

"You can do a course on it and we put our drivers through BFM. To me, it makes life easier getting to your destination.'

Mr Fletcher said it would be uncommon for a driver to go over the "normal" hours considering how expensive the fine is for breaching the number of hours you can legally drive.

"You go through cameras all the time and you've got your law enforcement out there, checking on drivers who are coming through and looking at your log book or your work diary," he said.

"We're talking about a \$2000 to \$2500

Mr Fletcher said transport workers who are struggling right now should "talk to somebody".

"There are people there who specialise in doing that sort of work and that never used to be available and it's available now," he

"Take advantage of it and go and talk to somebody."

National secretary of the Transport Worker' Union (TWU), Michael Kaine, who partnered with the study, says that the evidence should put pressure on the Federal Government to address the problems in road transport linked to driver health.

Steering Healthy Minds, a project aimed at training transport workers to support colleagues with mental health problems is being rolled out nationally.

I think employers have (support) available these days, it's whether the employees hold their hand up and say 'Hey, I need some help'...

- Barry Fletcher Former National Transport Commission member

# THE TEAM

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# The Lion King Jr finally hits stage

AFTER a one-year, COVID-enforced delay, the Young Riverland Musical Society will finally perform The Lion King Jr this weekend.

The show will feature 47 young performers, drawn from across the Riverland and representing most local schools.

The show will be performed four times this weekend - twice on Saturday and twice on Sunday, at 1pm and 3.30pm both days – at

Barmera's Bonney Theatre.

Director is Jodi Smith, musical director is Gretel Jericho and choreographer is Olivia Vivian.

"COVID-safe seating applies," a spokesperson said.

"All patrons will need to check-in but no masks are necessary."

Tickets are \$10 each and are available online (https://www.trybooking.com/BPIOR) or 45 minutes before each show at the door.





Local performers will take to the stage this weekend for the Young Riverland Musical Society's performance of The Lion King Jr. PHOTOS: Italo Vardaro





# AFL FOOTY DRAW

# Round 5

Points margin in highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday, April 15 at 4pm

St Kilda	Richmond	
<b>West Coast Eagles</b>	Collingwood	
Western Bulldogs	Gold Coast SUNS	
Sydney Swans	<b>GWS</b> Giants	
Carlton	Port Adelaide	
Brisbane Lions	Essendon	
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# **ROUND 4 RESULTS**

Frank Drougas	(7)	29
Betti Katsaitis	(7)	28
Nancy Battams	(8)	27
Des Drogemuller	(8)	26
Kosta Kourtis	(8)	26
Jasmine Harris	(6)	26
Chris Schutz	(8)	25
Karen Brown	(7)	25
Gaylee Drogemuller	(7)	25
Deb Griffiths	(7)	25

Barry Phillips(7)	25
Trevor Flint(6):	25
Kathy Richardson(6)	25
Stephen Greer(6)	25
Sam Koskinas(6)	25
Pat Portolesi(6)	25
Ken Wingard(6):	25
Paul Frangoulis(7)	24
Betty Butterworth(6):	24
Sandy Hampel(6)	24

### CONGRATULATIONS

#### TO OUR TOP TWO TIPSTERS

Des Drogemuller and Kosta Kourtis

#### **BONUS VOUCHERS**

Teresa Mapey and Betty Butterworth

#### **WEEKLY WINNERS**

Top 2 tipsters plus 2 bonus meal vouchers drawn every week.

If there are more than two winning tipsters, then it will be decided by the points margin. Winners announced in Wednesday's edition. Voucher amounts may vary.









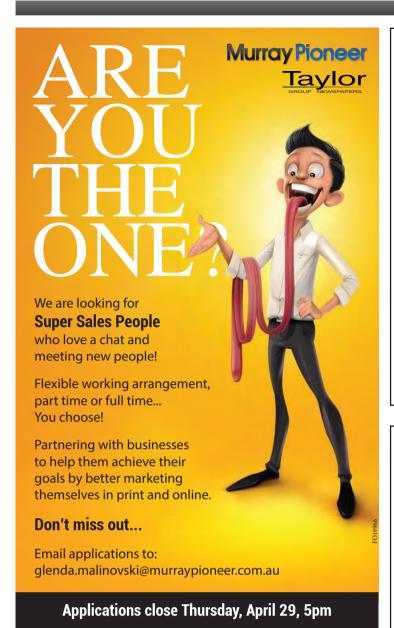






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#### **EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**







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#### **CELLARHAND**

We are seeking multiple Cellarhands to join our dynamic team, reporting to the Cellar Coordinator.

Duties will include all aspects of winery and cellar work including wine transfers, additions, filtration, machinery operation, cleaning, and vintage duties of crush, press and fermentation management.

The successful applicants will be expected to be highly motivated, possess excellent communication skills, have an excellent work ethic and have the ability to work well in a team environment. Shift work will be required in this position.

Experience in a Cellarhand position is desirable and will be highly

A Licence to Perform High Risk Work (forklift) will be considered an

For further information, or to forward an application please contact

Cindy Kroehn Compliance / HR Coordinator 85 410800 cindyk@growerswinegroup.com.au

Applications Close: Friday, April 23, 2021



#### **Cellar Supervisor**

Growers Wine Group is based at the western edge of the Riverland, in close proximity to Adelaide and the Barossa Valley. The winery has a long and illustrious history in excess of 100 years. The winery is now operated by a young, dynamic company with a clear focus on building a successful wine business. Producing wines from our own vineyards and from across the state, we are an adaptable and innovative company.

We are seeking an experienced Cellar Supervisor to join our team. The successful applicant will be responsible for coordinating cellar activities and plan and schedule resources to meet production requirements and maximise efficiencies. This position will report to the Cellar Manager.

The successful applicant will have experience in a Cellar leadership position such as leading hand, coordinator or supervisor. The applicant will also have excellent organisational skills and have a very high level of attention to detail.

#### **Essential Functions**

- Ensure day to day production requirements from Winemakers are achieved within set timeframes
- Coordinate cellar staff, to ensure work schedules are met and outcomes achieved
- Ensure the cellar has adequate supplies and resources to operate
- Help coordinate the receipt and processing of winegrapes to company specifications
- Create weekly roster for staff and actively encourage cellar skills development through education and training
- Coordinate equipment repairs and issues with the Maintenance department
- Ensure all operations are performed in a safe manner, following company procedures
- Participate in a rotating shift, which is 24/7 during vintage
- Explore opportunities to improve cellar function
- Demonstrate integrity, character and strong leadership capabilities

#### **Position requirements**

- At least 5 years' hands on experience in a Supervisory role
- Certificate III in Food Processing (Wine Industry Operations)
- Frontline Management (or similar leadership qualification) is preferred but not essential. A willing to undertake this study is required
- Experience with Ezy Wine management system
- Proficient in use of Microsoft Outlook, Word, and Excel
- Ability to prioritise, but also able to adapt quickly to changing priorities
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to foster innovation and a positive work culture
- Current Forklift and driver's license

Duties and Salary will be based on applicant's experience

Application forms are available from Growers Wine Group, 12918 Sturt Highway Waikerie or by contacting:

> Cindy Kroehn Compliance / HR Coordinator 85 410800

cindyk@growerswinegroup.com.au

Applications Close: Friday, April 23, 2021

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#### **Waikerie Lutheran Primary School**



Applications are being sought to join our vibrant team for the position of:

#### **Learning Support Officer -**Literacy

#### Position Advertised:

Contract for 2021; 16 hours per week (29 weeks),

#### Job Purpose:

The Learning Support Officer will:

- Work with all students from Foundation to Year 7 in a literacy capacity
- Work individually and in small groups to facilitate language encoding and decoding skills (Prior Learning in educational support will be an advantage)
- Specifically be trained and use the Speech Sound Pics program (prior knowledge of this program would be an advantage)
- Maintain the positive ethos and core values of the school, both inside and outside the
- Contribute to constructive team-building by supporting teaching staff, non-teaching staff and parents;
- Has an interest and passion for IB PYP pedagogy

A position description and information package are available from our Administration Officer Melissa Schmidt; Ph: 08 85412 344;

Email: melissas@wlps.sa.edu.au.

Applications close on Thursday, 22nd April 2021.

#### **SDPR Insurance Brokers**

#### **INSURANCE BROKER/ BROKER ASSISTANT**

DPR Insurance Brokers is a boutique insurance broker with offices located in SA, QLD, NT and VIC and part of the Ausure and Steadfast Broker Networks.

An exciting opportunity has become available for an Insurance Broker or Broker Assistant in our Riverland office located in Loxton.

Whilst previous experience is not essential the ideal candidate is to be proactive with a commitment to excellence in their work. A passion for learning with the ability to prioritise workload within given time frames and industry regulations is preferred.

The role will include the accurate and timely production of insurance documentation, including quotes, new business, renewals, endorsements and claims management.

Building and maintaining strong relationships with team members, clients and underwriters will play an integral part of the position.

Insurance and/or financial services exposure in a processing role with Tier 2 qualifications would be advantageous, but is not essential.

The successful applicant will be required to complete a Diploma in Insurance Broking and continue to develop their technical expertise in all areas of retail and wholesale insurance.

#### Confidential enquiries are welcome on 0417 190 615.

Applications for this vacancy must be directed to the Managing Director, Dennis Rebbeck, at dennis.rebbeck@ausure.com.au



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**BONUS QUESTION ANSWER (from last** week): Tottenham Hotspur were the first British football club to win a European trophy (1963 Cup Winner's Cup)

#### **Driver Wanted**

#### Experienced truck driver required.

- HC License essential (MC Preferred)
- Must have good attitude and work ethic
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#### **Childcare Educators** Relief Staff (Casual)



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#### To be eligible you will need:

- A valid Working with Children Check (or equivalent)
- Child Safe Environments for Children & Young People training
- Current First Aid (HLTAID004) & CPR (HLTAID001)
- A Diploma or Certificate III (or actively working towards) in Early Childhood Education & Care (or equivalent).

We do not discriminate against race, age, gender identity, or sexual orientation and do not tolerate anyone who does in our organisation.

To enquire please visit our website or contact Katrina Bell

Submit applications via email to vacancies@southernmallee.sa.gov.au by 5pm on Friday 30 April 2021.

www.southernmallee.sa.gov.au

# gillainey hand-picked south australian fruit

Gillainey Packing, situated in Paringa, is a local family-owned citrus packer. We are looking for confident, approachable people with a great work ethic to join our team for the 2021 citrus season. Work is available from late April/early May until November/December. Ongoing work may be available for the right people. Own transport is essential. All employees are expected to be reliable and punctual.

We have a strong focus on providing a safe work environment.

#### **FORKLIFT OPERATORS**

Forklift operator positions available. A current forklift licence is essential. Experience in a warehouse or packing shed environment would be an advantage. **GENERAL SHED HANDS** 

We are looking for general shed hands. Tasks will include palletising, carton constructing, cleaning and general hand duties. Physical fitness is essential. PALLET COUNTER

#### **Attributes:**

- Ability to work independently within a small team.
- · Ability to work under pressure and time constraints.
- High level of accuracy & attention to detail. • Results-orientated, enthusiastic and highly motivated to
- succeed and improve processes.

- Numeracy skills
- Excellent problem-solving skills.
- Excellent English communication skills both written and verbal.

Experience preferred, but not essential for the right candidate. On the job training will be provided

#### DISPATCH QC

- Ability to work independently and within a small team.
- Capable of working in a fast-paced environment.
- · Strong work ethic.

#### Skills:

- · Excellent problem-solving skills.
- High level of accuracy & attention to detail.
- Sampling of products and maintaining accurate documentation.
- Assist with storage and maintenance of reference and retention samples.
- Excellent English communication skills both written and verbal.
- Applicant will require a reasonable level of dexterity and physical fitness.

Experience as a QC, preferably in the citrus industry would be ideal, but not essential. On the job training will be provided.

Applications available from the office at 162 Murtho Road, Paringa or by emailing accounts@gillainey.com.au



#### **Experienced Full Time Local MC Driver**

Based in Loxton you will be responsible for the pickup of produce throughout the Riverland 5-6 days a week.

Fork lift licence essential.

#### **Experienced Interstate** MC Driver Riverland to Sydney/Goulburn

Must have BFM or willing to obtain.

To apply email resumes to operations@sizetrans.com.au Or deliver to Sizetrans Express 104 Trenenerry Ave, Loxton

**Enquiries to Operations 8584 6264** or Steve 0417 103 991



#### **Vineyard Manager** Required

#### **Immediate Start Available**

Salena Estate Wines has been producing wine for over 20 years and incorporates, vineyards, winery and bottling activities, on 208 hectares Located between Berri and Loxton in the Riverland

Salena Estate Wines is seeking an experienced Vineyard Manager for an immediate start. Considerable Vineyard experience will be essential to this role.

The role requires knowledge of computerised irrigation and programming these systems. Tractor knowledge is also essential as well as the use of vineyard machinery. We are seeking a good team player with the ability to manage

Interested parties should contact Michael at michaelc@salenaestate.com.au

#### **ELEVATING WORK PLATFORM TRAINING**

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#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 20th, 2021 Growers Services, Old Sturt Highway, Berri**

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#### **EXCAVATOR PLANT ASSESSMENTS** (Duty of Care)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21st, 2021

#### **Growers Services, Old Sturt Highway, Berri**

8.30am - 4.30pm — Full Fee: \$540 (incl. GST)

PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE This is for assessment only. If you require training, and assessment please enquire at the RTCSA office.

> Phone: 0417 725 339 Email: courses@rtcsa.training



### **EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**

# THE Cadell CLUB INC

#### **GAMING & BAR ATTENDANT**

A position is available for a casual gaming and bar attendant at the Cadell Community Club. A minimum of 15 hours per week is offered for immediate start.

Working hours are flexible and may vary from week to week with some weekend and night work required.

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA**

- Demonstrated recent experience at either Hotel or Club venue.
- Advanced Gaming, RSA & Responsible Person Badge Required.
- High level Interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work with a small team in a community minded environment
- Experience in opening and closing pro-

All applications will be treated confidentially by the Club Committee.

Applications addressing the position's Essential Criteria should be emailed to cadellclub@bigpond.com. Phone enquiries to Dianne Jobst on 0418 804098.



#### Citrus Harvest -**Tractor Forklift Operators** & Quality Control Officers

We're Costa. Australia's leading grower, packer and marketer of premium quality fresh fruit and vegetables.

On the land, in distribution centres, and out on the roads – Costa people work hard to bring the freshest produce to tables across Australia. We are seeking applications from experienced

Tractor Forklift Operators and Quality Control Officers for our upcoming citrus harvest on our farms across the Riverland region.

The tractor forklift operator role will mainly involve the loading and unloading of trucks and the moving of citrus bin in and out of the orchard.

To be a successful applicant you must be able to demonstrate experience in tractor driving and have the ability and preparedness to undertake work in the outdoors in varying weather conditions

The Quality Control Officer role will mainly involve the in-field inspection of pickers including the fruit they have harvested as well as their safe work practices. This includes a significant amount of walking.

To be a successful applicant you must have the ability and preparedness to undertake work in the outdoors in varying weather conditions.

Both roles require the applicants to work with people from various cultural backgrounds and to work weekends. A driver's license and good communication skills are essential.

There are positions available at our Renmark, Murtho and Loxton Farms, with work commencing in May with the potential to continue until November.

To apply, please Submit your application by going to https://costagroup.currentjobs.co/Job

#### Applications will close 4pm on Friday 23 April 2021

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Loving mother and mother-in-law of Margaret (deceased), Dianna and Ian, Veronica and Danny, Debra and Clarrie.

> Loved nanna of 7 grandchildren and 12 greatgrandchildren.

Gone but not forgotten.

#### **DIXON, Maureen.**

A beautiful and caring mum and mum-in-law to Debra and Clarrie.

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DIXON, Maureen Margaret.

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will wipe away, But the love in my heart is there to stay.

Until we meet again.

Love you always Mum (Nana), Diana and Ian. Lisa and Jim. Dwayne and Mel, Renae and Barry, and families.

#### MENZEL, John Angas.

14/1/1948 -10/4/2021

Loved and loving husband of Anne.

Father and father-in-law of Brenton and Jane, Mark and Jess.

Grandfather of Eliza and Annabel.

Son of Melvin (deceased) and Pat.

Brother of Peter (deceased), Raelene, Janine, Christine and Craig.

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#### MENZEL.

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RENMARK

10am

8.30am

Renmark West

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5pm - Berri

St Alban's HC

Sunday, April 18

9am - Loxton

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9am - Barmera

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Fr. Paul Devenport

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Sunday, April 18 Paringa 10.30am HC

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Sunday, April 18 Waikerie 10am Lowbank 8.45am Ramco 8.45am

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Two regional funding

Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board's grants program 2021-22.

The grants support local-level community projects and this year will be delivered differently with two programs available: The Grassroots Grants Program and Agricultural Knowledge Grants Program.

The Grassroots Grants Program supports not-for-profit community-based organisations while the Agricultural Knowledge Grants Program supports agricultural and horticultural groups.

Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board chair Dianne Davidson said the board was committed to providing support to community groups and individuals who want to make a difference in managing the region's landscape and natural assets.

"Our regional grants program ensures there are more dedicated funding opportunities for locals working in the region," she said.

"They support our diverse communities to play a significant role to help sustainability manage our region."

Minister for Environment and Water David Speirs said the Grassroots Grants Program was aimed at local projects that contribute to improved management of the environment.

'The State Government's Landscape SA legislation is an historic reform of how we approach natural resources management in South Australia," he said.

"It's all about a back-to-basics approach and giving local communities a greater say in how we manage our natural environment.

"The Grassroot Grants could be used to kickstart a new project or build upon an existing one for activities such as weed treatment, pest or disease management, fencing, erosion management, revegetation and community education

For more information or to apply, visit the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board website (www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ mr/get-involved/funding-opportunities).

### Drought tools to be developed by Deloitte

AN international agribusiness specialist is set to develop a new framework to support Riverland primary producers battling drought.

The Federal Government last month announced Deloitte had been awarded the tender to develop a \$3 million Drought Resilience Self-Assessment Tool under the Future Drought Fund.

Minister for Drought David Littleproud said Riverland farmers and growers required continued technological support through drought conditions.

"While our farmers are highly skilled at managing climate variability, the intensity and frequency of drought is a challenge that requires additional support," Mr Littleproud said.

"The tool will enable farmers to selfassess their resilience against a range of environmental, economic and social indicators, as well as identify their future risk exposure under climate scenarios.

"It will assist farmers to make climatesmart business decisions and identify management approaches that can improve their resilience to drought.

"Deloitte will work closely with primary producers to co-design the tool to make sure it is fit-for-purpose and delivers actionable insights.'

Mr Littleproud said a prototype of the tool - intended for "extensive end user testing" - was expected to be available by mid-2021.

Further details regarding the Future Drought Fund can be found by visiting the website (www.agriculture.gov.au/ag-farmfood/drought/future-drought-fund).



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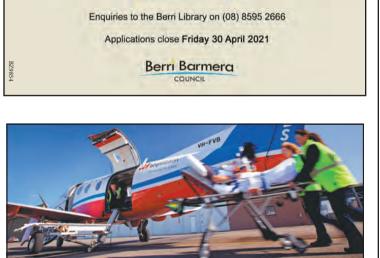
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### District Council of **Loxton Waikerie**

#### **WE ARE MOVING!**

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie wishes to advise the community that due to ongoing environmental concerns at 29 East Tce Loxton, it will be relocating its Principal Council Office.

From Monday 19 April 2021, the Principal Office will be situated at 35 Bookpurnong Terrace, Loxton. All existing services will be available at the new office from this date.

The doors will be closed on the current building at 29 East Terrace, Loxton, effective from 5pm Friday 16 April 2021.

We thank the community for their patience during this transition time.

Further information: P: 08 8584 8000

W: www.lwdc.sa.gov.au E: council@lwdc.sa.gov.au

**David Beaton** Chief Executive Officer

District Council of **Loxton Waikerie** 

#### **DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LOXTON WAIKERIE** TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie hereby exercises the power pursuant to Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 and Clause "F" of the Instrument of General Approval of the Minister dated 12 March 2001 to:

(1) Pursuant to section 33 (1) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that the following schedule of roads be closed to traffic between 7.00am and 10.00am on Sunday 25 April 2021 for the 2021 Waikerie Anzac Day March;

- Burns Street from Jemison Street to Lawrie Terrace
- McCoy Street Northern roundabout to Stanley Street
- Jemison Street from Burns Street to Cates Street

(2) Pursuant to Section 33 (1)(b) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that persons taking part in the Event be exempted (in relation to the roads) from the duty to observe Australian Road Rules 230

> For further information contact Greg Perry 8584 8000 gperry@lwdc.sa.gov.au

David Beaton Chief Executive Officer

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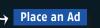
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THE regular season will eligible to play in the kick off April 24 — the same weekend as the RFL — and be played across eight minor round games.

Each club will play each other twice, with two Sunday rounds scheduled at a single venue hosting both games.

The RWFL competition is open to all players who are over 15 years old on January 1, this year.

Shane Uren said younger players will have other opportunities to play in

"Those girls who are under 15, they are still Riverland Junior Football League," he said.

However, Uren said 'come and try' days would be held throughout the season for under 15 girls, to boost participation in junior female grades.

The league will be coordinating with the SANFL to run girls-only Auskick mornings across the season.

As the competition emerges from hibernation, the drive for player numbers has been a rocky road for clubs like the Loxton Catters.

Last week, Catters'

call out to female players in an effort to fill numbers on the Catters' list.

Hogg underlined that females should not be deterred by their lack of experience or skill level.

In an effort to help struggling clubs' numbers, Uren said the SANFL would "be encouraging player shar-

ing".
"If more affluent clubs, player wise, come up against a side that is struggling a little bit, it's just about getting the girls out there and getting a kick," he said.



(From left): Emma Hogg (Loxton Catters), Melissa Blanck (Berri Demons) and Della Havnes (Renmark Rovers) will be lining up for the RWFL 2021 season. PHOTOS: Peta-Marie Philippou

Most valuable player award winner Wesley Marks (Barmera) with runner-up Jai Pfitzner (Berri), Nick Dillon (left) and Shane Uren (SANFL) at the SAPSASA football carnival held at Loxton Oval. PHOTO: supplied



#### **Loxton undefeated at SAPSASA carnival**

LOXTON was the undefeated winner of the Riverland SAPSASA football carnival held at Loxton Oval last week.

Five teams comprised of students from schools in each district took part in the

Loxton's undefeated run was nearly overshadowed by Barmera's thrilling onepoint win over Renmark to decide second and third place for the event.

Wesley Marks, of Barmera, was awarded most valuable player.

Marks polled 10 of a pos-

sible 12 votes on the day ahead of Berri's Jai Pfitzner, who polled seven votes.

Riverland year 6 and year 7 squads will be named in the next week ahead of the respective state carnivals to be held from May 31 to

### St Joseph's dominates SAPSASA netball carnival



ST JOSEPH'S School Barmera dominated pool A of the Riverland SAPSASA netball carnival held at Loxton stadium on April 6.

Across the Riverland 16 schools competed at the event in two pools.

St Joseph's went undefeated in pool A ahead of Berri's Our Lady of the River, and Barmera Primary School in third.

Pool B was a hotly contested affair, which resulted in a draw between St Albert's Catholic School Loxton and Berri Primary

Best players for each

pool were voted by the coaches on the day.

Saskia Gibbs, from Loxton Primary School, and Arabella Pannell, from Loxton Lutheran School, were both awarded best player in pool A.

In pool B best player was awarded to Hailey Arnold from Waikerie Lutheran Primary, while runner-up was Elise Cameron from St Albert's.

The 2021 event marks the end of year 7 students at the carnival, as year 7s will compete at high school events from next year.

### Kennedy takes eightball opener

PETER Kennedy won the Riverland Eightball Association's annual Rex Weaver Memorial event, held at the Lyrup Club last week.

The event doubles as the association's open-

An association spokesperson said organisers were pleased with the number of competitors, with 51 players taking part.

**SEMI-FINALS** Shawn Salmon 2 d Glen

Carter 0; Peter Kennedy 2 d Brian Heward 0.

#### **FINAL**

P. Kennedy 3 d S. Salmon



Peter Kennedy took out the Rex Weaver Memorial event last week. PHOTO: supplied

### Hopkins out-shoots national benchrest champ

THE second round of the Renmark Small Bore Rifle Club's Ken Knight Trophy was held at 90 metres on April 8.

Colin Hopkins won the hand-

icap event and newly crowned 50-metre benchrest national champion Mark Cresp won the off-rifle event.

#### RESULTS

C. Hopkins 98.3, 92.1, (3) 193. M. Cresp 98.2, 98.1 (0) 196. R. Ward 95.0, 90.3, (3) 188.

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# Prestige Medley weekend wraps up



Region four North East men's team (from left): Peter Gaegler, Peter Merrit, Gerin Jenke, Wayne Collins, Terry Curtis, Len John, Steve Roberts, Jono Voigt and Matt Short.



Region four North East women's team (from left): Margaret Schutz, Sue Lloyd, Kerry Treloar, Judy Strauss, Kate Argent-Bowden, Mel Morrow, Julie John, Gail Frohm and Michelle Atkins.

RIVERLAND men's and women's bowls teams placed equal-third overall in their respective events at the 2021 Prestige Medley held in the Riverland on the weekend.

The best country and metropolitan players representing 12 regions across the state converged on The Lawns, Loxton and Loxton RSL bowling clubs over two days of competition.

The women's event was hotly contested, with all six teams in contention for the final going into the fifth round.

The Riverland's region four North Eastern women's team was at the pointy end after an undefeated run in section one, sitting on four wins from four matches and accumulating 40 points at the top of the table heading into the final and fifth round.

The Riverland women faced-off with

Metro East in the fifth round.

Metro East was too good winning fours, triples and pairs match-ups across all rinks, picking up 12 points from its 24-shot win.

Despite going down in the final round, North Eastern's tally of 40 points was enough to claim third in the overall women's

Metro East went on to face Eyre Peninsula under lights in the final.

Eyre Peninsula won the pairs and triples rinks to post a three-shot win over Metro

North Eastern's men's team placed second in their section after five rounds (two wins, two losses, one draw) earning 36 points, just missing out progressing into the final.

Metro West won the men's event undefeated after picking up 52 out of a maximum 60 points.

# 2021 Riverland Ladies pennants season into full swing

LOXTON and Barmera's round two Riverland golf ladies' pennant game ended with both teams square for the match.

The 2021 season features a five-round fixture culminating with the top two teams playing off in the sixth week.

This year, Waikerie has fielded a combined team with players from Berri, Barmera and Loxton Golf Clubs.

#### LADIES PENNANTS RESULTS ROUND ONE

Loxton 3.5 d Berri 1.5.

S. Grein d T. McHugh 2/1, S. Pannell d A. Thiel 3/1, J. Sawade d L. Berry 2/1, W. Hocevar d K. Nolan 3/1, J.

Cooney square B. Hartshorne.

#### Barmera 3.5 d Waikerie (combined) 1.5.

W. Featherston d L. Gosse 6/4, M. Williams d U. Hayes 5/4, G. Strauss d Y. Reynolds 5/4, S. Brock square T. Worsfold, J. Pearson d C. Pickering 2 up.

#### **ROUND TWO**

Loxton square Barmera.

S. Grein square W. Featherston, S. Pannell d M. Williams 6/4, P. Hamood d K. Nolan 2 up, J. Cooney d Y. Reynolds 6/5, S. Thomas d Y. Tatt 2 up.

#### Berri 3 d Waikerie (combined) 2.

B. Tyler d A. Thiel 6/5, L. Berry d L. Gosse 4/2, W. Hocevar d U. Hayes 7/6, T. Worsfold d L. Dawson 2/1,

B. Hartshorne d S. Brock 5/3.

#### **BERRI**

Stableford, Wednesday, April 7: W. Thiele 42 pts, C. Foreman 39 (cb), L. Mudge 39, E. Dawson 38, R. Knight 36, R. Day 35 (cb), C. Hyde 35. Birdies: J. Coombe 1st, C. Hude 1st, C. Foreman 16th, D. Dawson 16th.

Stroke, Saturday, April 10, Men's medal: S. May 70, P. Martin 71, I. Bradshaw 73, S. Wade 74 (cb), I. McHugh 74, W. Thiele 75 (cb), D. Dawson 75, T. Jolly 75, S. Smith 76, C. Berry 76, R. Burn 76. Birdies: C. Berry 6th, P. Martin 1st. Ladies Medal Round: K. Wyman 70, D. Ramsay 71, M. Heuzenroeder 75, A. Thiel 76. Stableford, Sunday, April 11: K. Wyman 38, P. Cummins 33, A. Brand 32. S. Jennings 31.

#### LOXTON

Red tees, Monday, April 5: Winner C. Wooldridge 69 nett 71, runner-up A. Hume 70 nett 74 Mens A Grade, white tees, Wednesday, April 7TH: Winner K. Martin 39pts, runner-up D. Unferdorben 39.

Mens B Grade: Winner M. Rumball 37pts (from Barmera), runner-up R. Branson 35 (from Whyalla). Ladies: Winner S. Pannell 34pts, runner-up J. Bullock 31.

White tees, Friday, April 9: Winner M. Dane 38 pts (from Riverside Golf Club), runner-up A. Hume 34. 4 ball better ball, Saturday, April 10th: Winners P. Campbell (20pts from 10 holes), H. Campbell (27pts from 8 holes) 47pts, runner-up P. Harman (19pts from 8 holes), A. Giles (25pts from 10 holes) 44pts. Individual scores, A grade: K. Martin 40pts, B grade: T. Schubert 40pts, Ladies: J. Conney 37pts.

# Eagles claim a mystery doubles round victory

THE Riverland darts winter season kicked off with the Monash Club mystery doubles last Thursday night.

Cobdogla Eagles' Danny Coombes and Allen Hargreaves beat Paul Cooper (R C Ones) and Allen McCauley (Eagles).

High scores for the night went to Jeff Broekers (Eagles), Wayne Bonham (Wanderers) and Calib Martin (Wanderers), all throwing a maximum 180.

Paul Cooper hit the high peg-out 91 for the evening.

Over the off-season, Double Jacks gained the services of former Barmera Rebel Noel Peaty.

Peaty is joined by fellow Rebels' summer season premiership teammates Corey Wagner and Darcy Crane at Double Jacks.

Wanderers' Alan Weidenhofer completes the new-look line up of Double Jacks.

Meanwhile the winter season minor round commences tomorrow night.

#### RESULTS

Monash Club Mystery Doubles: Winners A. Hargreaves, D. Coombe, runner-up A. McCauley and P. Cooper.
High Scores: J. Broekers 180, 140 x 2, 121, C. Martin 180, 140 x 2, 120, W. Bonham 180, D. Coombe 140, 125, 121, L. Rasheed 140, 140, 121, A. Hargreaves 140, 125, K. Hayes 132, G. Dyer 130, L. Platten 125, 123.

# President's ace toast of the Barmera clubhouse

BARMERA Golf Club president Paul Keane bought the drinks at the clubhouse after hitting A hole-in-one on the 17th recently.

Club captain Jordan Wright said the ace came after a joke among the players.

"Paul's playing partners were telling his son-in-law Kym that anyone that has a hole-in-one has to share the jackpot with those they play with," he said.

After the famous last words, Keane stepped up to tee-off with his trusty nine iron in perfect conditions. Hitting truly, the president sailed the ball home on the 140-metre par three.

Keane's ace comes after hitting a hole-in-one in 2019.

Keane pocketed a handy \$712 for his efforts, though the prize money may be a little short after a few drinks at the clubhouse.



Barmera Golf Club president Paul Keane hit a hole in one on the 17th hole. PHOTO: supplied

# Thunderbirds set to land in Berri

#### **BRENDAN LINES**

THE Adelaide Thunderbirds are just days away from landing for their highly anticipated Super Netball League preseason clash with the West Coast Fever in Berri this Friday night.

The Thunderbirds tackle the Riverland match dubbed the Mighty Murray Clash - fresh off a win against the Melbourne Vixens in Ballarat on Sunday.

For Thunderbirds' stardefender Shamera Sterling the preseason road trip brings the Jamaican to the Riverland for the first time.

"I've been looking forward to giving as many people as possible a look at netball who don't live in Adelaide," Sterling said.

Sterling will play a feature part in the club's coaching clinics coinciding with the visit, to be held at Toyota

Arena this Saturday morn-

The 25-year-old said she "did not have the privilege" of coaching clinics in her home country as a junior netballer.

"Jamaica is not a country where players will come out to teach often," she said. "I started going to netball (training) when I started watching the Sunshine Girls (in Jamaica) and I joined the under 16 team."

Sterling said the hands-on coaching clinics would be a chance to give back to juniors and teach some "tricks" of the trade.

"It's something I have a lot of interest in and I'm looking forward to... it keeps the sport going," she said.

"They'll definitely learn from me something about defending and some of the tricks that I have."

The Commonwealth



Latanya Wilson (left) and Shamera Sterling are making the trip to the Riverland for the Thunderbirds' Mighty Murray Clash with West Coast Fever.

Games bronze medallist said despite the Thunderbirds being in preseason matchwinning form there is still work to be done.

"The environment within the squad is quite good and we gel well together," Sterling said.

"Our ball movement is very good compared to the other years I've played.

"But thankfully this is preseason. What we haven't got right, we will now hopefully get it right by the start of the season.'

Chrissy Eleftheriadis, coach of the Berri Netball Club, said junior netballers still had plenty of opportunity to attend the coaching clinics.

"Registrations are still

open for the netball clinic on Saturday morning," she said. 'It's open to all players in

the Riverland. "Players from five to 13 years old can register online via the Thunderbirds' web-

site." The Mighty Murray Clash will feature an under 17 'North versus South of the River' curtain raiser between composite teams of players from Renmark, Berri, and Barmera (North) against Loxton, Loxton North and Waikerie (South) netball clubs.

The 'North versus South of the River' match begins at

The Mighty Murray Clash kicks off 7pm at Toyota Arena this Friday.



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# RWFL's new-look for season 2021

#### **BRENDAN LINES**

THE Riverland Women's Football League (RWFL) is back for 2021 with a new-look competition aimed at growing women's football in the post-COVID era.

After the cancellation of Riverland football in 2020, SANFL football operations co-ordinator Shane Uren said taking a "flexible" approach would help the five-team competition find its feet again.

"In 2021, there will be five clubs competing with varying numbers available," he said.

"It's going to be very flexible each week... we could go down to as low as nine-a-side games and anywhere right up to 16-a-side games."

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