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Former Renmark Paringa councillor Trevor Loxton says converting 180 Murray Avenue into open riverfront space fulfills the reason council initially purchased the building. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

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## Advice to start pulling vines as wine industry outlook still grim...

# THE BELL TOLLS?

### HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

LOCAL growers of certain grape varieties, expected to remain unprofitable for "some time", have been advised by a senior Riverland politician to consider pulling out their vines or risk financial collapse. Riverland winegrape growers are

currently facing "enormous pressure" due to a combination of over-supply, market access, increasing production costs and supply chain challenges. Riverland-based MLC Nicola Centofanti said "solutions and opportunities" for growers needed to be a priority.

"Diverting financial hardship to productivity and success is far better for our farmers, our state food security and for the land, but producers cannot go it alone," Dr Centofanti said in a Letter to the Editor inside today's Pioneer. "We need a program that supports our growers to exit the wine

industry with dignity. "In doing so, it is critical that we continue to keep the land productive to ensure that we maintain our capacity to grow the best produce and our regional communities continue to not only survive, but thrive."

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An artist's impression of how the new home of the Waikerie Football Club will look. The Waikerie Community Hub will be the home of the Magpies, but will also be a multi-use venue for meetings, conferences and other events. IMAGES: JBG Architects

# Football club's budget blowout

A MAJOR Waikerie project was given the final tick of approval on Friday afternoon when a local council – and therefore its ratepayers – agreed to pick up the remaining cost due to a “significant increase” in the initial budget.

Loxton Waikerie councillors met on Friday afternoon, unanimously agreeing to provide an additional \$600,000 from council funds – in addition to a \$1m interest-free loan – to the Waikerie Football Club (WFC) for its Waikerie Community Hub project.

District Council of Loxton Waikerie (DCLW) CEO David Beaton said the project received \$3m in both federal and state government grants in 2021, with the build needing to get underway to satisfy grant guidelines.

“The council had to help out with the funding to make sure that sort of investment

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wasn't lost,” he said.

Mr Beaton said the recent flood had also delayed the finalisation of the project.

“The original scope of the project was \$3m, which has now increased over the last three years to \$4.6m due to the change in location and scope of the building along with price escalation,” he said.

As part of the special meeting on Friday, Loxton Waikerie councillors delegated Mr Beaton to finalise and sign the contract.

Mr Beaton expected the contract to be signed this week, with building to commence within the month, while trees within the new build site were cleared in recent days.

Council will reallocate \$400,000 of left-over funds from the Waikerie Recreation Centre roof to assist with the funding.

Council will also take on the project's landscaping to help keep costs down.

As part of including the \$4.6m plan into the DCLW 2023/24 budget, council acknowledged Waikerie Football Club was at its “financial capacity”.

“The ability to fund this building falls disproportionately on the ratepayers via the request of council,” Mr Beaton said.

“The risk now and into the future sits with the council.

“The WFC have a problem that they are laying at the feet of the council to solve.”

In a report to councillors in May, Mr Beaton said a \$600,000 gift from council funds was “not recommended because of the extraordinary precedent that it would set”.

“There are multiple sporting clubs in the region who would like those terms and council has its own infrastructure to fund,” he said.

However, Mr Beaton said the new Waikerie Community Hub will be a valuable asset for the Riverland West community.

“It will give another space for community functions,” he said.

“The location is right next to the river.”

In a letter to council, WFC redevelopment chairperson Brendan Sidhu said the venue will be used for meetings, conferences, weddings and other social events.

“The building will become an essential asset to Waikerie that can benefit the community for generations to come,” he said.

“This will be an incredible addition to our community, having many flow on economic and social benefits.”



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# Local wine industry bells start tolling?

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Dr Centofanti has recommended the implementation of a program offering a per-hectare price – capped at a certain number of hectares – for growers to convert vineyards to other crops.

“Growers (would be) able to diversify their business and crop production, providing a pathway for producers to continue to keep their land, and keep it producing food and fibre,” she said.

Riverland Wine executive officer Lyndall Rowe said changing market and industry conditions had impacted a previous “competitive advantage” in local production.



“The global oversupply of red wine will not resolve in the short term,” Ms Rowe said in an industry update, dated July 7.

“Red wine is under pressure at all price points, especially commercial red wines and specifically shiraz, cabernet and merlot.

“If you are considering what to do with your shiraz, cabernet and merlot vines, now is the time to act.

“Do whatever you can to preserve your equity because these varieties are unlikely to be profitable for some time.”

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# Demo day at Murray Ave

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

A LOCAL council’s demolition of a notable Renmark riverfront building is fulfilling the reasons the site was purchased, according to one of its ex-councillors.

Renmark Paringa Council on Monday began the process to demolish the former Westpac building at 180 Murray Avenue.

Former Renmark Paringa councillor Trevor Loxton said plans to convert the site to open riverfront space met the original intention behind the building’s purchase.

“There was no question about why council bought the building,” Mr Loxton said.

“It was only to push it down and try to bring it up to the same standard as the rest of the riverfront.

“It was always about locals and tourist being able to see the river and get to it. What can you see with that building in the way?”

Mr Loxton said council’s designs for the open space area would benefit both locals and tourists to Renmark.

“The end result will tell the story,” he said.

“It’s coming down, and it’s going to be part of what we wanted to do for the riverfront all that time ago.”

Renmark Paringa Council has encouraged members of the public to provide feedback regarding the project at Saturday’s Renmark Riverfront Markets, between 9am and 2pm.

Further information regarding the community consultation can be found by visiting the council website ([www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/services/major-projects/180-murray-avenue](http://www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/services/major-projects/180-murray-avenue)).

## Voucher program expanded for Guides and Scouts

# Voices heard

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Renmark Girl Guide leader Sue Schubert and guides Eve, 9, Ingrid, 13 and Millie Hendry, 7, are excited for the Renmark Guide hall to undergo improvements, and happy to be included in the 2024 round of the State Government sports voucher program.

PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

THE inclusion of Girl Guides and Scouts in a state government voucher program from 2024 is set to see local members benefit after years of asking to be recognised.

The State Government announced late last month the groups would be included in the \$100 Sports Voucher Program for the 2024 calendar year.

Children from reception to year 9 can receive the subsidy once a year, and as many as 3000 Scouts and Girl Guides across the state are expected to benefit from the expanded rollout.

Girl Guides SA Riverland region manager Julie Ahrens has been a staunch advocate for the inclusion of the organisation in the sports voucher program for several years, and said she was “ecstatic” when the news was announced.

“We are absolutely delighted, and very pleased that our voices have been listened to,” she said.

“We know that this could make a big difference to our membership numbers, both for us and Scouts SA.

“At the end of the day, its more opportunity for young

people to join our organisations which we know offer incredible opportunities for leadership, wellbeing and young people’s development.

“For some people who only do scouting or guiding as their recreation, they were locked out (of the voucher program) before whereas now they can use it.

“For young people who have disabilities and don’t have a sport they can access, guiding and scouting is a self-paced program where people work at the level they’re able to. Everybody can come – we’re a very inclusive organisation.

“(The vouchers) also take the pressure off volunteers and fundraising. We don’t like to turn anyone away, so if they weren’t able to afford to come, we would fundraise or get sponsorship to help them cover the cost of their fees.”

So far in 2023, 53,886 vouchers have been redeemed

from 891 providers, saving families more than \$5.4m.

SA Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing, Katrine Hildyard, said scouts and guides “offer children a chance to get outdoors, be active and be connected with community”.

“They include young people in communities across our state, giving many a sense of belonging and purpose,” she said.

“For many families across the country, cost of living pressures can be a challenge. This initiative will help more South Australian families, ensuring they won’t need to make a decision that sees their child miss out on being active and spending important time with their peers.

“The Scouts and Guides community have been calling for this expansion. I am so proud that we are listening and positively responding.”

## Council grant to help improve local Guide hall

ELYSE ARMANINI

A LOCAL organisation is set to begin improvement works on its hall thanks to council funding.

The Renmark Girl Guides hall will undergo small structural repairs, a fresh coat of paint and general improvements after receiving \$4000 in Renmark Paringa Council’s Community Grants.

Girl Guides SA Riverland region manager Julie Ahrens said the building, which is owned by the organisation, needed “some freshening up”.

“It’s an older building, and it’s structurally fine,” she said.

“We’re going through a process at the moment in Renmark where we’ve sold off some surplus land from multiple titles.

“We’re using some of that money along with the council funding, and any other grant funding, to bring the hall up to scratch, with physical repairs being the main thing.”

Ms Ahrens said the grant would allow “a couple of things” to be started at the hall, located on Sixteenth Street.

“We’ve developed a bit of a project plan, and our goal ultimately is to have it not only as a really up-to-date, modern place for people to meet, but to also make it really attractive for hiring,” she said.

“If it’s a hireable resource, that brings us revenue which helps us run guiding.

“We have a list of things to get the hall how we want it, because it is a good building.

“It’s a beautiful old hall, and it has a lot of history to it.

“We’re very grateful for council to support us in this way, because it helps us work through getting the hall even better for our community.”

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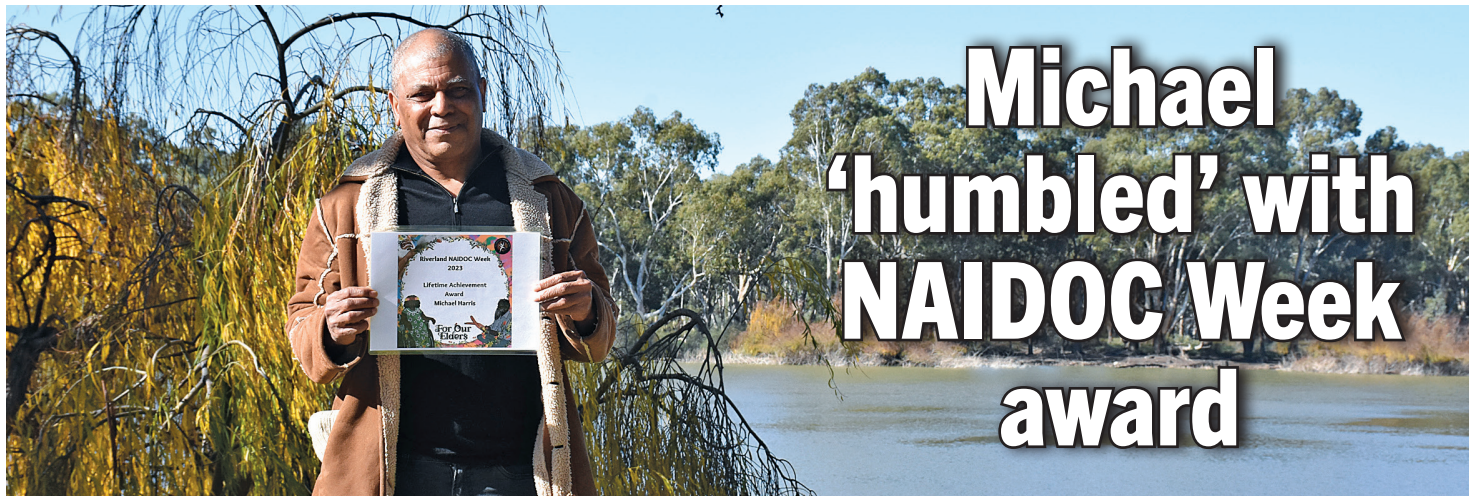
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Michael Harris received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2023 Riverland NAIDOC Week awards presentation last week.

PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

## ELYSE ARMANINI

MICHAEL Harris was recognised for decades of work in government departments, and his on-going community work with an award last week.

Mr Harris, a Kurna and Narungga man and Berri local, received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2023 Riverland NAIDOC Week awards presentation.

"I was the first to get an award," he said.

"I got up, and I had to try to keep (my speech) short because I can go on a bit. A lot of things come to your mind.

"I am quite humbled by it because I wasn't expecting it. It is nice to be recognised, but the work still has to go on – it never ends.

"NAIDOC was originally a day of mourning, but now it's a chance to celebrate and showcase Aboriginal achievements.

"What I'd like to see here is not just the services that work with Aboriginal people, but more of the private sector, engaging with things."

Growing up in "mainstream, regional towns" with a non-Aboriginal step-father, Mr Harris said his higher learning changed his perspective as an Aboriginal man.

"In 1968 I got into the Aboriginal college, which was the first one in SA," he said.

"We got a little more opened up because some of the lecturers were non-Aboriginal and some were Aboriginal, and you got this perspective of what has really gone on since European settlement.

"The college spurred me on to look at rather than protesting, what can you engage with that contributes towards change. That was the start of my journey I guess."

Throughout his career, Mr Harris has been part of some monumental government policies, and has worked under high-profile people.

From 1969 until 1994, Mr Harris was involved with:

□ The State Government as a youth worker, working prominently with Aboriginal youth, for six years.

□ Social work and working within different government areas around Aboriginal policy.

□ Developing the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle.

□ The Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody as an associate of Royal Commissioner James Henry Muirhead and Elliott Johnston. Part of Mr Harris' role was to engage, on behalf of Mr Muirhead, with families and communities of those who died in custody.

□ The Bringing Them Home

report and the Stolen Generation.

□ Aboriginal self-management within the State Government, looking at community issues such as care of children and young offenders.

He moved to the Riverland in 1995, and with a separation package from the government, started fruit picking, and conducted workshops in local schools.

For 10 years, he has worked for Relationships Australia as a family dispute resolution practitioner.

"In the 25 years I've been here I've worked with four different organisations," he said.

"Things at the forefront of my mind now are being part of, and contributing to, things being better for our people – our independence and sense of belonging.

"Those are critical to Aboriginal people."

## Locals recognised in NAIDOC awards

A LARGE crowd gathered for the NAIDOC Week march and award ceremony held in Berri last week.

Hundreds of community members marched to the riverfront for a flag-raising ceremony before some made their way to the Berri Senior Citizens hall for the awards presentation and an acknowledgement of the return of three decoy ducks.

Riverland NAIDOC Week 2023 award winners were:

- Lifetime Achievement Award – Michael Harris
- Person of the Year Award – Chris Laxton
- Male Elder of the Year Award – Uncle Max Roberts
- Female Elder of the Year Award – Kellie Matthews
- Artist of the Year Award – Chloe



Riverland NAIDOC Week award winners Alan Garbutt (back left), Jed Millington, Isaac Morgan, Marlene Abdulla, Michael Harris (front left), Heidi Zielke, Kellie Matthews and Chloe Shorrock. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Shorrock

■ Scholar of the Year Award – Alan Garbutt

■ Youth of the Year Award – Isaac Morgan

■ Sportsman of the year Award – Adrian Abdulla Jr.

■ Caring for Country Award – Heidi Zielke

■ Non-Aboriginal Person of the Year – Jed Millington

■ Apprentice/Trainee of the Year – Marlene Abdulla

The celebrations continued into the week, with activities such as fishing, a family fun day, arts and crafts, youth disco and more occurring throughout Renmark, Berri and Loxton.



## Esma's going to the Chaffey Theatre

A MALLEE family will have the chance to see an iconic children's story performed on stage thanks to The Murray Pioneer.

Pinnaroo woman Esma Niejalke was recently named as winner of the Pioneer's Cat in the Hat competition.

Ms Niejalke, who will receive a family pass to the performance, said she would bring her grandchildren to the show, which is being performed at Renmark's Chaffey Theatre next Wednesday.



## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

### SELECT COMMITTEE ON HUNTING NATIVE BIRDS

A Select Committee of the Legislative Council has been established to inquire into and report on the Hunting of Native Birds, with particular reference to:

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- (b) Cultural, social and recreational aspects;
- (c) Sustainability, environmental and animal welfare aspects of native bird hunting;
- (d) Economic considerations;
- (e) Perspectives of First Nations;
- (f) How native bird hunting is managed in other jurisdictions; and
- (g) Any other relevant matter.

The Select Committee will be travelling to the Riverland from Wednesday 23 August to Thursday 24 August 2023 to hear evidence and conduct site visits.

Any person or organisation wishing to register an interest in presenting oral evidence to the Committee in the Riverland is invited to do so by Friday, 4 August 2023. Expressions of interest should be addressed to the Secretary to the Committee, C/- Parliament House, GPO Box 572, Adelaide 5001, or by e-mail at [scnativebirds@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:scnativebirds@parliament.sa.gov.au) For any queries, or for information on attending the hearings in the public gallery, please contact the Secretary by telephone on (08) 8237 9498 or as above.

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

## At the point of no return?

AS a reporter, it never brings any pleasure to construct headlines like we see about the wine industry in today’s Pioneer.

For our local wine grape growers, 2023 has so far brought largely nothing but financial pain as a combination of oversupply and lack of market access finally reaches a boiling point.

Leading into the previous vintage, the region’s largest grower co-operative had provided some incentives to transition away from red varieties such as shiraz and cabernet sauvignon, or to mothball patches entirely.

Less than 12 months later, these warnings have escalated and the advice from Riverland MLC Nicola Centofanti, who is no stranger to the grower lifestyle, is for wine grape producers to perhaps start exploring other crop options.

This is echoed by one of our peak local industry bodies, who have advised the outlook for shiraz and cabernet is bleak, to put it mildly.

Indeed, it looks like even a possible early end to Chinese tariffs on Australian wine – hopes of which were somewhat buoyed by the announcement of a future visit to China by Peter Malinauskas – would fail to offer a solution now.

While the issues the Riverland industry is facing were simmering behind the scenes – and perhaps not discussed enough in the open – over the past few years, the challenges, and tough decisions facing growers, could shape the future of primary production from our region.

Will many wine grape growers attempt to persevere through what could be very financially tough times ahead? Or seek to transition into new crops?

## Taking the high road?

IT has been a somewhat rollercoaster last few weeks for the District Council of Loxton Waikerie.

The news inside today’s Pioneer that council had agreed to provide extra funding – to the tune of \$600,000 – on top of a previous loan for the Waikerie Football Club’s community hub project carries little of the possible councillor divisiveness that was apparent in the previous weeks regarding the development of the new Loxton Library and Visitor Information Centre.

With even numbers from both towns present for last Friday’s vote, Loxton-based councillors could have made it quite a challenge to pass the motion and allocate the extra funding toward the, admittedly important, development.

Waikerie residents would have perhaps been looking at The Precinct in Loxton and wondering when a similar-level facility would be built in their town. Few would argue an upgrade to the football club is needed based on current condition.

However, it is worth noting that The Precinct is largely available for community use, while the proposed community hub in Waikerie would be operated by the football club – and available for some use by the surrounding community – that has also contributed just a small fraction of funding for the project.

Council will hope the now expanded budget is enough to complete the development, and this co-operative vote between councillors is a sign of things to come.



**Taplan Institute at its opening, July 1923, 100 years ago this month:** The area now known as Taplan was long isolated, Mallee scrubland, typical of many other locales across the Northern Mallee. South Australia, proclaimed a colony in 1836, soon became a net producer of cereals earning export income. Although agriculture expanded rapidly, it took 71 years before the first cereal farmers ventured into the loneliness of the Mallee scrub near Taplan to farm wheat. Otto Graue undertook this in 1907, and shortly after likewise came the Vogelsang brothers. They were far from a reliable source of drinking water but being resourceful and tough, they made good and others came. In 1913, the SA Government provided a railway connection to Adelaide and piped water from the Murray, 45km away. This brought a flurry of other settlers and in 1923, 16 years after Otto arrived, Taplan had developed so much that a church was built for worship and an Institute Hall for education and social events. Developments in agriculture with larger machinery led to a gradual decline in the local population. The hall, and the church, once significant community facilities, are now private residences. PHOTO: Taplan Collection

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Keep our land productive

A RANGE of global factors including oversupply, market access, supply chain issues as well as increasing costs of production have led to enormous pressures on our wine industry right across the state.

Most major Australian wineries have storage tanks full of past year’s vintage, which they are unable to shift, and this is impacting on the purchase of grapes from growers in a number of wine regions.

Combine this with Tanya Plibersek and the Federal Government’s move towards water buybacks, and there is a real risk of viability of some of these regions such as the Riverland.

The Riverland has always been a productive fruit-growing region, with hundreds of vineyards scattered around the district and there are plenty of orchards as well.

Our success in tourism, while growing, comes off the back of these industries and we cannot forget that.

Rather than focusing on the problem resulting from a side-effect, we must look towards solutions and opportunities.

Diverting financial hardship to productivity and success is far better for our farmers, our state food security and for the land, but producers cannot go it alone.

We need a program that supports our growers to exit the wine industry with dignity. In doing so, it is critical that we continue to keep the land productive to ensure that we maintain our capacity to grow the best produce and our regional communities continue to not only survive, but thrive.

A price per hectare – capped at a certain number of hectares – per grower, to convert their vineyards to other crops, would see growers able to diversify their business and crop production, providing a pathway for producers to continue to keep their land, and keep it producing food and fibre.

It is critical that education be part of this program – to guide

growers through the process, providing information about crop choices and consideration of annual or biennial crops.

This idea is not new, in fact we have seen these types of packages before, most recently in the way of the Water for Fodder Program during the drought in 2019, in which the Federal Government funded the turning on of the South Australian Desalination Plant to allow extraction of water upstream, stipulating that the water could only be used for fodder and pasture.

I call on the Minister for Primary Industries Clare Scriven to support our farmers.

While this is important for not only maintaining productivity of our food producing regions and ultimately securing our regional communities into the future, it is critical for the individual growers and for the retention of family-owned farms, their livelihoods and their mental health.

**NICOLA CENTOFANTI MLC**  
Leader of the opposition in the Legislative Council  
Opposition spokesperson for regional South Australia

### Who is more sustainable?

ON June 7 I attended the Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI)/Freshcare registration and training day for sustainability.

In my opinion, if AWRI/Freshcare are allowed to inflict this on the industry it should be called ‘documentary proof of theoretical sustainable considerations’.

This is just one more pointless stick to beat the grower with.

In previous work lives we have all taken part in expensive box-ticking and compliance exercises that add nothing to the bottom line or improve the product.

These are usually the brain child of an under-employed and overpaid academic, or naïve PhD student.

It is a sad fact that a crop or product that is fit for purpose and meets all the criteria is not considered proof of sustainability.

A grower could be certified sustainable, produce the worst grapes in the district and have then be refused delivery at the winery.

But you should see the paperwork, it says sustainable.

In conclusion, if this fad was to be inflicted on an already struggling industry, we the growers would be deemed to be sustainable in what one could argue is an unsustainable industry.

This wasted money and effort should be directed to sales, product development and marketing.  
**RAY HARTIGAN**  
Renmark

### Reason for concern

“CONSERVATIVE evangelicals always have inhabited a fantastical world different from that occupied by the rest of humanity.

In this fantastical land, a charismatic, powerful preacher with no theological education will be granted more authority on global warming, Covid, immigration and abortion than a room full of PhD scientists, historians and philosophers.”

This is from Baptist News Global.

As a rational humanist I find the quote above concerning.

**PETER MOLLER**  
Loxton

### A bending of the rules?

I THOUGHT the run out by Australia in the second test was a bit average – within the rules but not very ethical.

I guess our standards are not high, when we still field two convicted cheats in the team.

A bit disappointed in the captain though – when the oil protestors took to the field, I thought he would support them.

I hear that he is anti-fossil fuels.

**JOHN SELGA**  
Renmark

### Small step, a big journey

IN Tony Pasin’s piece about the Voice referendum (The Murray Pioneer, 14/6/23) he

rightly celebrates the wonderful opportunity his parents had in 1977 to become Australian citizens.

However, he is way off target when he claims his parents were ‘as Aussie as Albert Namatjira’, the renowned Aboriginal artist.

Albert Namatjira (1902-1957) was a proud Arrernte painter from the MacDonnell Ranges in Central Australia, but like all Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory at the time he was a ward of the state.

So, while he was technically an Australian citizen, he was denied many of the rights of citizenship which Tony’s parents enjoyed.

Under the Welfare Ordinance 1953, the director of welfare had authority over the property of all wards, his consent was needed for wards to marry, and wards were not allowed to live with a “non-ward” unless they were related.

The Director could authorise police to remove children from their parents, and put children into institutions, including interstate.

Because of his fame as an artist both in Australia and overseas, Mr Namatjira was encouraged to apply for full rights of citizenship at 55 years of age, allowing him to vote, own land, build a house and buy alcohol unlike other Indigenous Australians in the Northern Territory.

He was then exempt from classification as an Aboriginal for the purposes of the Welfare Ordinance 1953.

But this didn’t stop him from being convicted and sentenced to six months in prison for supplying alcohol to another Aboriginal (he had left a bottle of rum on the back seat of his car which was taken by another man).

If he had lived in Western Australia, his hopes of enjoying the rights of Australian citizenship would have been even less.

There, Aboriginal people still had to apply to be recognised as an Australian citizen. This was part of the Natives (Citizenship Rights) Act of 1944.

To apply to a magistrate, Aboriginal people had to prove they had:



**“Rather than focusing on the problem resulting from a side-effect, we must look towards solutions and opportunities...”**

- NICOLA CENTOFANTI MLC



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- ☐ severed all ties with their Aboriginal family and friends
- ☐ were free from disease
- ☐ could speak English
- ☐ been ‘civilised’ in behavior for two years
- ☐ could manage their affairs
- ☐ were industrious in their habits.

Once this was granted, a person was often no longer considered to be an Aboriginal. It was seen as impossible to be both an Australian citizen and an Aboriginal person.

Tony Pasin argues the referendum will create two classes of Australian citizens. The reality is that there have been two classes of Australian citizens ever since Australian citizenship was introduced in 1948.

The Voice referendum, if successful, might just offer another small step in the journey towards ensuring that all Australian citizens enjoy the full legal and social benefits of that citizenship.

DAVID BADGER  
Barmera

## MPs betraying us

IT pays to know who the friends are of influential politicians.

Like the Federal Treasurer Jim Chalmers, whose friend Anna Bligh is a former premier of Queensland and now president of the Australian Bankers Association.

Mr Chalmers says he values the opinion of Ms Bligh, who is vigorously promoting a cashless society by using selective statistics to support the closure of bank branches.

There are lies, damn lies and then there are statistics, so they say.

Bligh and her association would also like to persuade the treasurer that the parliament should give up the as yet unused power of the Australian Government to override decisions of the Reserve Bank of Australia.

They’re afraid the government might actually use them.

(Well, the Senate Inquiry into Regional Bank Closures in Australia travelling round Australia did influence Westpac to reverse branch closures recently in towns where they were planning to visit.)

The Treasurer and Prime Minister keep distancing themselves from the RBA interest rises, declaring the RBA independent of government.

Well, it will be if bankers get their way.

We need to phone and/or email Mr Chalmers, shadow treasurer Angus Taylor and local



MP Tony Pasin and demand they drop any plans to remove the power of the treasurer to override RBA decisions. Declare it a betrayal of the Australian people.

The facts are that banks have more new charges to profiteer on customers. Have you noticed your ATM has changed its name and now charges you for making cash withdrawals?

When you put your hard earned money in the bank it becomes the bank’s money.

On 14 February 2018 the parliament rushed legislation through – before a cross-bench amendment could be checked – to exclude savings and business accounts, and experts say it will allow banks to bail-in (steal) your money to prop up failing banks.

The government says it guarantees up to \$250,000 of bank’s customers savings. What, all of them?

People with money are allegedly hoarding billions of dollars in cash. We may wish we could.

A person I know said she was scammed last year and when she went to change her card the teller told her it could have been worse had she done online banking. As it turned out the bank refunded the cost but not the foreign exchange fee.

Power outages abruptly stop commerce, as happened to people around Barmera in recent memory.

A friend rang asking if we might have a jerry can of petrol to get him through till the service station pumps could operate again.

We’ve heard of places where power outages lasted days, and where internet is patchy where interruptions last many hours. Petrol and gas and cash are still needed to drive life in the bush.

The need for a government bank, operating through Australia Post offices, to force major banks to compete on service is clear, lest Westpac reverses its decision again after the senate inquiry is over.

So, contact Treasurer Chalmers (phone 02 6277 7340 or email jim.chalmers.mp@aph.gov.au), Mr Taylor (02 6277 4362 or Angus.Taylor.MP@aph.gov.au) or Mr Pasin (8531 2466).

Demand they drop any plans to remove the power of the Treasurer to override RBA decisions because you want to live in a democracy, not a banking dictatorship and you want the RBA to be used to benefit all Australians not just to profit the private banks.

JEANETTE STAEHR  
Barmera

## Plan to help council

THERE is a strategy group being formed and its mission is to get Mid Murray Council out of a

chief executive officer.

PD  
Loxton

To the guy in the red flannelette shirt, sporting a red beanie, who took the football from the oval last Thursday after Waikerie FC neglected to collect it following training on Wednesday night, I hope you and the teenager with

\$17m debt.

I put my hand up to be ignored for this mission, but nevertheless I will put some thought into the task.

For me, the strategy revolves around action over time. If we look at the time frame and say can we complete the task in one year, then the questions become easier.

What do we have to do to achieve that?

If we make the time frame 10 years, then we may as well not have a strategy. Not only will the interest cost be over \$5m, but the continuity of control will be gone.

In 10 years there would be two new councils and innumerable new council staff.

Once we have the time frame decided, then resourcing is the question. You need people to do things, specific to the strategy.

So yes, the mission is possible.

May I suggest a one-year time frame and two people to do what needs doing. And we are done.

Or we can go for the pretty, primary-coloured wall chart with 30 overlapping objectives and no resources, which means we then cut staff, raise rates, reduce services, raise fees, and let the roads rot.

I have a different plan.  
JAKOB GAMERTSFELDER  
Morgan

## Looking back... 10 years ago July 12, 2013



### VIC move a win-win: hotel

**CAUTION** Council gets the opportunity to get the hotel out of the way, but the move is a win-win for the hotel and the council. The hotel is a prime location for the council's new office and the council is a prime location for the hotel's new office.

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VIC MOVE A WIN-WIN: The Berri Resort Hotel manager says the venue is committed to promoting Riverland tourism ahead of serving its own agenda. Addressing criticism of Berri Barmera Council’s proposal to shift the Berri Visitor Information Centre (VIC) to the hotel, Shane Roberts described the possible arrangement as a “win-win”, citing ratepayer savings, extra exposure for tourism operators and extended opening hours. “Council gets the opportunity to half its expense, which has got to be a positive for all ratepayers,” he said.

## 20 years ago July 11, 2003



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**NEW RIVER LAWS:** New horticultural and industrial developments which impact on the river will need ministerial approval under the State’s River Murray Act. South Australian Parliament this week passed the act, which has become the first piece of legislation in Australia specifically designed to protect the River Murray. A spokeswoman for the minister said yesterday that the act stipulated that certain new developments within so-called protected areas would require ministerial approval.

All letters must carry the full name of the writer. We do not accept nom de plumes. An address and phone number must be included for checking purposes. The editor reserves the right to edit all letters.

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Here’s hoping all the East Murray boys and girls had a nice evening celebrating the good old days on Saturday night. Fantastic to see a club’s history celebrated even though its playing days are long gone. Would be nice to see some of the old clubs back in action one day... perhaps Cobby next year?

ROBERT  
Berri

A simple answer for KAW of Waikerie. The vote on the Wednesday was to accept a preferred tender, in which the councillor had a conflict. The vote on Friday was for a totally different motion to give the CEO the power to award a tender. No conflict there. Perhaps Friday’s vote showed the lack of confidence some councillors have in their

chief executive officer.

PD  
Loxton

To the guy in the red flannelette shirt, sporting a red beanie, who took the football from the oval last Thursday after Waikerie FC neglected to collect it following training on Wednesday night, I hope you and the teenager with

you plan to return it.

GARY  
Waikerie

Youth crime on the rise. It should be two strikes and you are out. Maybe boot camp for six months might be the fix. No more slaps on the hand.

LINDA  
Renmark



# Jetty designs spark flood of feedback

CONSULTATION on the Barmera Jetty redevelopment will go back to the public for a third time, as the local council prepares a cost/benefit analysis for ratepayers on preferred options.

The second phase of consultation over a three-week period in April and May received 926 responses, far exceeding normal feedback levels and underlining community interest in the initiative.

Of the 926 responses, 53 per cent voted in favour of a curved horseshoe-like design (known as ‘option 2’), while 42 per cent preferred the traditional design (‘option 3’) and just 5 per cent wanted the straight pier-style design (‘option 1’).

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At its ordinary meeting last month, Berri Barmera Council voted to endorse the development of a professional business case based on design options 2 or 3 and undertake further consultation.

The business case – expected to cost between \$5000 and \$7000 – will include a cost/benefit analysis for the preferred options.

The current cost estimates for options 2 and 3 are \$6m and \$7.162m respectively and Berri Barmera’s place, space and activation project manager Chloe Drogemuller – who described the

consultation response as “incredible” – said any council decision on a design would consider the cost for ratepayers.

She also pointed out that a green light for the project would ultimately depend on council sourcing external funding.

In her report to last month’s council meeting, Ms Drogemuller said it was “evident the wider community is invested in the process and outcome of this significant asset”.

She said a new jetty would have major economic benefits for Barmera and the Riverland.

“Lake Bonney is well known for many reasons and carries with it a proud history,” she said.

“The jetty enhances a unique

experience for a variety of demographics, both physically and visually.

“A new jetty will be a boost for the region and will be a key feature for the town of Barmera, (its) residents, and the broader community, but will also bring new opportunity for tourism on a much larger scale.”

Ms Drogemuller told The Murray Pioneer that while council was “eager to progress the next step of the jetty replacement”, it was a long-term project.

“The process for a project of this scale will take some time, and council wants to ensure it is taking the appropriate steps to be responsible and realistic, given the significant cost and proposed invest-

ment,” she said.

During last month’s meeting, councillor Bruce Richardson had expressed concern for the redevelopment costs, saying “no thought has been given to the economic impact of this project”.

Cr Kassebaum said the jetty “would want to be good” for the suggested spend on the two preferred options.

To date, expenditure of the Barmera Jetty redevelopment consultation is \$60,268 from an \$80,000 allocation.

Berri Barmera Council started public engagement on the plans to replace the jetty earlier this year, after it was damaged in 2022. Stability concerns had previously seen the jetty closed to the public.

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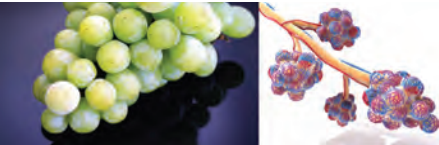
by Loxton Garden Club

The Loxton Garden Club hold monthly meetings on the 4th Sunday of the month. Meeting will be held at The Loxton Club – Woolshed Room at 2pm. For further information contact Jacque Schulz 0402 158 759 or Ian Cass 0428 876 220. Email: loxtongardenclub@gmail.com

There is a saying that “You are what you eat”, but did you know that it can mean literally. An article I recently read mentioned that food we eat and how they benefit parts of our bodies they resemble. Here are just a few.

### Grapes – Lungs

Undoubtedly, grapes look like the alveoli of the lungs. The alveoli are sacs that allow blood and oxygen to move between the bloodstream and the lungs. With that, consuming grapes can reduce the risk of lung diseases.



### Kidney beans – Kidney

Kidney beans got its name because of its resemblance to the organ. Aside from that, kidney beans are high in fibre which is vital in gastrointestinal function.

### Sweet Potatoes – Pancreas

Sweet potatoes’ oblong shape makes them look like a pancreas. Sweet potatoes are rich in Vitamin A in the form of beta-carotene, which is an antioxidant that protects all tissues of the body, like the pancreas, from damage.

### Carrots – Eyes

Chop carrots crosswise and you’ll see the resemblance of it to eyes. Carrots are rich in vitamins and minerals like beta-carotene, which is important in maintaining a clear vision. It makes sense now why carrots are always labelled as good for the eyes.

### Walnut – Brain

They say eat nuts, especially walnuts, before taking an exam. It’s labelled as “brain food”. It is no coincidence that it looks like a brain too. Walnuts are high in omega-3 fatty acids, essential for proper brain function.

### Celery – Bone

The long and lean stalks of celery resemble the bones. They’re actually good for the bones too! Silicon can be obtained from celery. Silicon gives bones their strength as it is an important part of the bones’ molecular structure.

### Tomato – Heart

Tomatoes are red, and so is the heart. The insides of tomatoes also look like the chambers of the heart. Tomatoes have lycopene, which reduces the risk of heart disease for those consuming it.

## Quote of the month

“The best and most efficient pharmacy is within your own system.” – Robert C. Peale

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At yesterday’s community unveiling of Barmera’s new multisport changeroom facility, part of the Barmera Oval precinct redevelopment, were Berri Barmera Council manager of infrastructure and operations David Pluckhahn, Barmera-Monash Football Club (BMFC) board member Bryce Morelli, Barmera Bowling Club’s Di Dodd, BMFC players Jess Linsell and Harry Banks, Barmera Bowling Club’s Trevor Marshall, BMFC vice-president Mark Henwood, Berri Barmera Mayor Ella Winnall, Barmera Bowling Club president Kelvin Carter, Barmera Netball Club junior Sophie Sampson and Riverland-based SANFL Community Football operations co-ordinator Shane Uren. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

# New changerooms unveiled to local sports

BARMERA’S new \$800,000 multisport changerooms have been unveiled to the

town’s sporting community.

Boasting a modular unisex change facility, incorporating toilets, showers and warm-up area, the new building is part of a \$1.2m upgrade of the Barmera Oval precinct, including new light towers, installed late last year.

The local football, lawn bowls and netball clubs will be among regular users of the changerooms, situated behind the scoreboard, alongside a freshly created unsealed carparking area.

Toilets – for use by sporting participants on match and training days – on the eastern side of the new building face onto the bowling club, with the netball club just a short walk away.

The completed changerooms represent the final major step in the precinct’s upgrade, co-funded by all three tiers of government, including Berri Barmera Council, which recently signed off on the new building.

The old changerooms have been used to create an umpires’ changeroom and gym.

“The previous sports lighting and changerooms at the Barmera Oval and sports precinct were in very poor condition,” said Berri Barmera Council’s manager of infrastructure and operations, David Pluckhahn.

“The Berri Barmera Council was able to upgrade the facilities thanks to a combination of funding...

“We’re very pleased with the final result, and we’re sure the local sporting club users and wider community will be too.”

Mr Pluckhahn said user groups are keen to use the new changerooms, with the Barmera-Monash Football Club to utilise the facility for the club’s home game against traditional rivals Berri this weekend.

Barmera-Monash Football Club vice-president Mark Henwood said the Roos had been eagerly anticipating the new changerooms.

“We’re extremely excited that we’ll be able to bring a brand-new facility to the area,” Mr Henwood said.

“It’s been a long time coming and I’m sure the opposition teams will be pretty excited, instead of being in the old changerooms out the back.

“Our players have been asking for a while now about when it’ll all be ready, so they’re very happy too, and looking forward to this weekend.”

The changeroom facility was designed to meet AFL standards, but the precinct is also an asset to the wider community, Mr Pluckhahn said.

“The design of the new changerooms was to have functionality so that multiple user groups can use the facility relatively independently of each other.

“Importantly, it also allows for easy expansion to larger, single-use options when required.


“In addition, the design includes a strong connection to the surrounding sports facilities that allows for easy and logical access.”

Last year new light towers were erected around Barmera Oval, with the quartet of 28m LED lights providing an average of 150 lux of luminescence across the oval.

Mr Pluckhahn said following completion of the multisport changeroom and oval lighting, work on the final stage of the project, upgrading the streetscape and beautifying the area, would take priority.


Berri Barmera Council will stage an official opening of the Barmera sporting precinct later this year.

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Elders Riverland real estate manager and property consultant David Kanizay says the region will continue to see moderate growth. PHOTO: supplied

# Riverland real estate continuing growth

**ALEXANDRA BULL**

A LOCAL real estate agent expects the Riverland housing market to continue to grow over the next 12 months.

Elders Real Estate Riverland real estate manager and property consultant, David Kanizay, said we could continue to see moderate property growth in the next 12 months and beyond.

“It’s all about supply and demand,” he said.

“Demand continues to exceed supply and this is what will drive the growth in the short and mid-term.

“We don’t see house prices going backwards at all.”

The July PopTrack report revealed despite a monthly decline of 0.28 per cent, prices in regional South Australia are still notably up compared to a year ago.

Regional South Australia has also seen the greatest annual growth of the regions, up 8.93 per cent from June 2022.

With the Covid-19 pandemic allowing more people to work from home, Mr Kanizay said many people saw that as an opportunity to move to regional South Australia, resulting in increased demand for properties in the Riverland.

“Demand for rentals also increased significantly, which then drove rental returns upwards and attracted more mum and dad

investors; they were saving more, and interest rates were the lowest we have seen in a generation,” he said.

“The travel restrictions meant more people were travelling within SA, many said they didn’t realise how beautiful the Riverland region was, and we are seeing more people who traditionally holidayed in this region, wanting to retire here.

“The buoyant property market enticed buyers to sell their metro home and reduce debt by moving to the country where property prices are still relatively affordable.

“The end result is that in the past two years we have had, and continue to have, a very low supply of housing.

“There is still not enough property to service market demand today.”

Mr Kanizay added that 12 months ago, the Riverland housing market was still at its peak.

“That was the strongest market I’d ever seen in my 17 years of Riverland real estate,” he said.

“More recently we have seen a shift in buyer behaviour, they seem to be more price conscious, concerned about the amount they have to borrow and paying too much.

“Interest rates do have an effect on buying power, for example, a couple who may have been able to borrow \$300,000 a year ago, may only be able to borrow \$250,000 today.”

**“Demand continues to exceed supply and this is what will drive the growth in the short and mid-term...”**

- David Kanizay

Elders Real Estate Riverland real estate manager and property consultant

## River Revival Vouchers deemed successful

A SURVEY of first-round River Revival Voucher users has revealed the initiative had strong economic benefits for the region.

It is estimated the first round injected \$3.1m into the River Murray, Lakes and Coorong and Riverland visitor economies.

The South Australian Tourism Commission (SATC) surveyed people who redeemed a voucher in round one, with results showing the program had an “immediate economic boost” for tourism operators impacted by the River Murray flood event.

The beginning of the second round booking peri-

od has already generated around \$2m in bookings value alone.

Minister for Tourism Zoe Bettison said the vouchers “are doing their job”.

“They are not only significantly boosting visitation and expenditure in our River Murray regions that would not have occurred otherwise, but they are also driving awareness of the diverse and exciting experiences on offer,” she said.


To date, more than 2200 bookings have been made, and houseboat companies are “overwhelmed” with the strong response from consumers.

“Houseboat operators

have been pleasantly surprised as to the volume of enquiries they have received, most of which are converting to bookings,” said George Bolton, Boating Industry Association SA manager business support.

“Whilst seeing bookings targeting mainly September onwards, there has been reasonable bookings so far in July and August.”


Round two bookings close on July 25, with a second-chance draw held on July 27 which will see unused vouchers cancelled and reissued to ballot entrants to drive further bookings.




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# Community contribution for veteran camp

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

A CAMPSITE in Alawoona dedicated to the wellbeing of veterans has received an upgrade thanks to a group effort from Loxton locals.

Camp Andrew Russell, located just outside of Alawoona, recently had a large disability ramp installed thanks to the Rotary Club of Loxton and Ricki and Terry Hammerstein.

In a special presentation at the site, Vietnam Veterans Federation South Australian Branch president Mal Thiele thanked those who supported the project.

“Thank you for all the hard work in producing this wonderful disability-friendly access to the toilets and showers,” he said.

“Before we had some uneven bricks laid down, but it wasn’t much good.

“It’s all fantastic. It’s always great to see new things happening here.”

Camp Andrew Russell began in the early 2000s by the Vietnam Veterans Federation South Australian Branch, on land offered by local man Don Viney.

The campsite is dedicated for the use of the veteran community as a place of peace and was named after Andrew Russell, who was the first Australian killed in Afghanistan.

Camp co-ordinator Bob Haslett said the site was well-used and supported by the



At Camp Andrew Russell in Alawoona with the new disability ramp were Vietnam Veterans Federation South Australian Branch president Mal Thiele, Rotary Club of Loxton’s Tom Shannon, Terry and Ricki Hammerstein, and local man Neil Schlein, who organised the project.

PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson

veteran community.

“We’ve had blokes staying here for three months,” he said.

“We’ve got one person, who in Adelaide sleeps for four to six hours a night, but up here, he sleeps for 12.

“It doesn’t look much, but it is just the

atmosphere and the serenity of the place.

“My total aim is, if I can save one bloke’s life, it’s done its job.”

Mr Haslett said the camp is open to all ex-service personnel and their families.

“A lot of blokes just come up with a sleeping bag,” he said.

“All you need to do is bring your food, your bedding and whatever liquid you want.

“Everything else is here.”

The camp features a fully-equipped kitchen, toilets and showers, a dormitory and a memorial site.

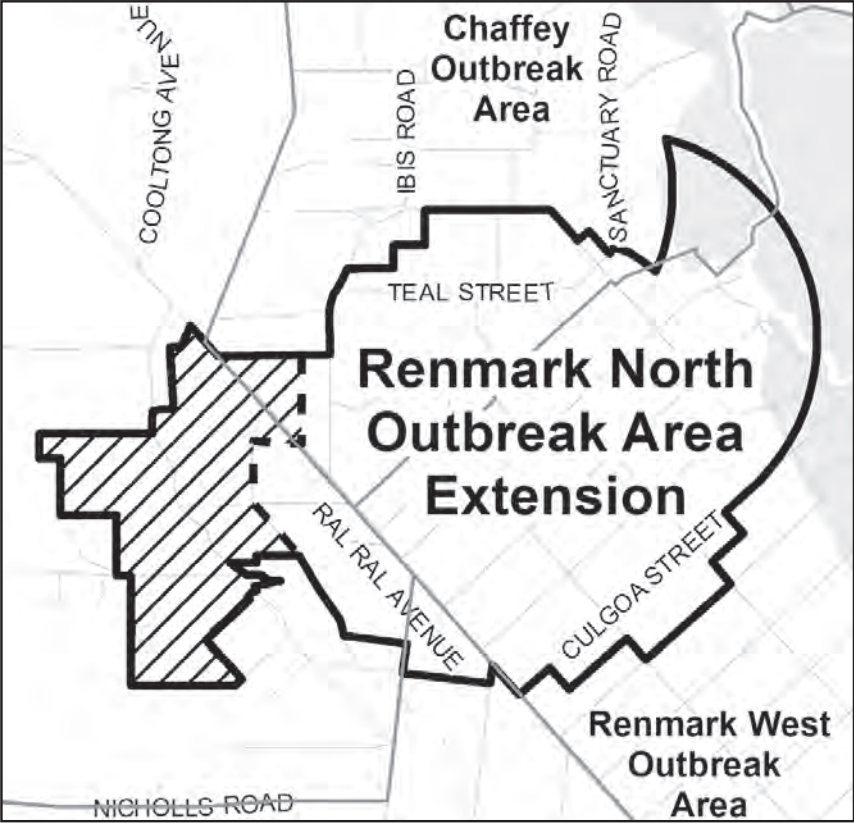
The disability access ramp project was orchestrated by Loxton man Neil Schlein.

Mr Schlein thanked Santos Concrete for its contribution to the project.



The memorial at Camp Andrew Russell, located just outside of Alawoona.

## FRUIT FLY OUTBREAK RENMARK NORTH



Queensland fruit fly has been found in Renmark North causing an extension to the existing Renmark North outbreak.

A 1.5 km radius outbreak area has been established for Renmark North.

If you live in the area, visit [fruitfly.sa.gov.au](http://fruitfly.sa.gov.au) to understand the restrictions in place.

Some fruit and vegetables cannot move from properties in the outbreak area.

An eradication program has begun in the area. PIRSA field staff will be carrying ID and entering properties to apply organic fruit fly bait and check fruit.

Discuss special arrangements for moving commercial produce from the Renmark North outbreak area by calling the industry hotline on **1800 255 556**.

What you need to do:

- **Keep** fruit on your property – do not share, sell or give it away.
- **Provide** access to your garden so we can do our work quickly and efficiently.
- **Pick** your ripe fruit and vegetables.
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- **Check** your fruit for blemishes and maggots.
- **Call** the Fruit Fly Hotline on **1300 666 010** if you find any maggots in fruit, seal the item in an airtight bag and arrange collection.

Don’t let fruit fly under the radar, visit [fruitfly.sa.gov.au](http://fruitfly.sa.gov.au) or call **1300 666 010**.



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## Hume Dam water releases increase

HIGHER than average storage levels have forced water releases from a dam utilised by Riverland irrigators.

The Murray-Darling Basin Authority last month increased releases from Hume Dam to gain more air-space.

MDBA senior director river management, Joe Davis, said releases

from Hume Dam “may be increased if rainfall and inflow forecasts strengthen”.

“Adjusting release volumes in this manner is both effective and routine for the MDBA to mitigate flood risk while delivering on our primary role of keeping the dam safe,” Mr Davis said.

Mr Davis said the releases were “important to help mitigate the risk of flood-

ing in the weeks and months ahead”.

It is understood both Hume and Dartmouth dams are currently at 97 per cent capacity.

Further information regarding current River Murray conditions can be found by visiting the website ([www.riverdata.mdba.gov.au/system-view](http://www.riverdata.mdba.gov.au/system-view)).



IT’S PUB BUSINESS: Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, Federal Opposition treasury spokesperson Angus Taylor, and Federal Opposition health spokesperson Anne Ruston at a recent Politics in the Pub session held in Adelaide. PHOTO: supplied





Renmark Paringa councillors passed a motion at last month's general meeting to provide mooring fee rebates for houseboat owners unable to use their vessels during the River Murray flood. FILE PHOTO

# Rebates to flood for mooring owners

A RIVERLAND council is set to provide financial relief to local residents unable to use their houseboats due to the recent flood.

Renmark Paringa councillors at last month's general meeting passed a motion to provide council houseboat mooring holders with a Crown Licence – at Lock 5 and Ral Ral creek – a rebate for an equivalent portion of their licence fee for 2022/23, or for the part of that financial year for which the permit was held.

All council houseboat mooring permit holders, excluding those in a lease arrangement, will receive a rebate of up to \$699.99 for the equivalent of

their council mooring fees during the period from November 1, 2022, to January 31, 2023.

Renmark Paringa acting manager infrastructure services Shannon Baxter said the decision considered the length of time moorings were inaccessible during the River Murray flood.

"This assessment considered the investment and efforts that council took to protect the houseboats in council managed moorings to the impending flood, which resulted in no houseboats being lost or beached," Ms Baxter said in a council report.

"The administration has developed a proposed council

flood rebate which is applicable for houseboat permit holders on council moorings.

"This has been established with consideration to the length of time the moorings were inaccessible."

Lock 5 mooring holders will receive a \$692.97 rebate, with those at Ral Ral Creek to receive a \$960.10 rebate.

However, councillors also voted to avoid reinstating the power supply at the Ral Ral Creek houseboat moorings.

Ms Baxter said council's electrical contractor had estimated the costs of reinstating power to be at \$18,150.

"The scope of works isn't as

straight forward as the reinstatements at Lock 5 Moorings as a portion of the infrastructure is not compliant with the current standards and cannot be energised without being compliant," she said.

"In review of the long-term objective for this land to become an off-river marina, it should be considered if the power supply should be reinstated as this infrastructure could be redundant in less than five years.

"The conditions of the mooring permits at this location are on a month-to-month arrangement pending the commencement of the Jane Eliza Development."



An historical image of the burying of the Taplan Hall time capsule in 1973. The capsule will be unearthed as part of an event this month celebrating the hall's 50th anniversary. PHOTO: Loxton Historical Village

## Taplan's history to be unearthed

THE history of Taplan will be celebrated when a time capsule is raised later this month.

The time capsule commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Taplan Hall.

It was relocated to the front of the Institute in the Loxton Historical Village on October 9, 1994, as a result of the closure of the hall earlier that year.

The plaque indicates that the time capsule is to be recovered on July 28, 2023.

The time capsule will be raised at the Loxton Historical Village at 10.30am on Friday, July 28, with morning tea to follow.

RSVP by Friday, July 21, to Leanne on 0427 791 987.

For more information about the event, contact Peter Magarey on 0418 808 296.

# Veterans homeless in our backyard 'unacceptable'

PAUL MITCHELL

A RIVERLAND ex-serviceman has welcomed the release of alarming data that shows the extent of veterans' homelessness in Australia.

The Give Me Shelter: Leave No Veteran Behind study found that if left unaddressed, the cost of homelessness to the Australian economy will reach \$4.6 billion in the next 30 years.

The RSL has demanded urgent community attention to the report and the incidence of veteran homelessness it exposes, with the issue now costing Australia \$344 million a year due to veterans not participating in the economy or employment, and veteran deaths by suicide.

Renmark-based former army member Roger Edmonds wants Riverlanders to be more aware of the issue, and said past examples of veterans' homelessness have occurred locally.

"There were a couple blokes around Lake Bonney but they have moved on somewhere," Mr Edmonds said.

"It is very prevalent in the cities but (this report) may make the public a bit more aware so they can keep the heat on the pol-

lies on all sides.

"It is a sad state when our young returned soldiers are committing suicide at the rate they are and living rough on the streets."

RSL Australia president, Greg Melick described the numbers and costs as "unacceptable".

"Many of these veterans have risked their lives for our country and to protect our way of life, experiencing events that impact their mental health," he said.

"We need to house these veterans not only because it makes economic sense, but importantly, because it is the moral thing to do."

Conducted by professional services firm RPS, the Give Me Shelter: Leave No Veteran Behind study identified several risk factors contributing to veteran homelessness, including being single, unemployed, experiencing financial strain, physical injuries, disabilities, mental health issues, limited social connections, and a higher number of lifetime traumatic events.

The veterans most vulnerable to becoming homeless are those transitioning out of the armed forces, and those aged 35 or under.

Close to 6000 or 5.3 per cent of Australia's half a million current and former

## Veteran homelessness:

**\$344m annual cost**

**6000 people affected in past year**

**30% higher suicide rate (males)**

**107% higher suicide rate (females)**


service personnel experienced homelessness in the past year, a rate nearly three times higher than that of the broader population.

However, the research found that only 1.1 per cent of veterans access homeless support services, in contrast to 3.4 per cent of the general population.

Give Me Shelter: Leave No Veteran Behind also revealed that the suicide rate among female veterans is 107 per cent higher than the general population, and nearly 30 per cent higher for men, while the financial cost of all veteran suicides is estimated to total \$140 million annually.

**“We need to house these veterans not only because it makes economic sense, but importantly, because it is the moral thing to do...”**

- Greg Melick  
RSL Australia president



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# ‘Extreme concern’ over visa changes

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

A FOUR-time increase to the cost of a visa utilised by backpacker workers has been described as “extremely concerning” by a senior Riverland horticultural industry figure.

Changes that took effect at the beginning of July saw the cost of a Working Holiday Maker (WHM) visa rise from \$130 to \$640.

Citrus SA chair Mark Doecke said the changes could result in a shortage of available labour for local growers.

“(The Federal Government) initially promised an increased number of people under the ASEAN farm workers visa scheme, but this program has since been scrapped,” Mr Doecke said.

“The PALM Scheme was a good option, but the latest changes are making that unworkable for many in the industry.

“Backpackers have always offered a great short-term solution, so changes to this visa would be very disappointing.”

Barker MP Tony Pasin said numerous Riverland horticultural employers relied on backpacker workers.

“At a time when regional communities are crying out for workers, increasing the cost of

the visa, and considering reducing its length to one year and removing the regional work requirements just beggar’s belief,” Mr Pasin said.

“Backpackers play an important role in regional economies, filling labour gaps in hospitality and agriculture in particular.

However, Federal Minister for Immigration Andrew Giles said “quick and efficient visa processing” was a priority.

“We’ve made the investments necessary to get our system moving, and that’s been particularly important when it comes to backpacker visas, which are now being turned around in two days,” Mr Giles said.

“To make sure that we continue to deliver this service we are making the necessary investments to ensure we’ve got a migration service that’s fit for purpose.

“What we are determined to do is to make sure that we’ve got those rules right to ensure that we have a migration system that operates efficiently, that turns visas around.

“We are confident that there are many things that will continue to attract working holidaymakers to Australia. We’ve got so much to offer.”



Citrus SA chair Mark Doecke says increases to the costs of WHM visas could see Riverland citrus growers left with labour shortages. PHOTO: Christine Webster

“Backpackers have always offered a great short-term solution, so changes to this visa would be very disappointing...”

- Mark Doecke  
Citrus SA chair

# 2000+ so far lobbying for dual-lane Truro bypass

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A WAIKERIE man has collected approximately 2000 signatures for a petition, calling for the construction of a dual-lane bypass at Truro instead of a single-lane road, in just three weeks.

Vin Dowd travels from the Riverland to Adelaide regularly for medical specialist appointments and is concerned planned modifications to the Sturt Highway would fail to improve its safety.

He is hoping to collect up to 10,000 signatures to ensure state parliament will have to refer the petition to the bipartisan Legislative Review Committee.

Federal and State Governments have jointly committed \$202m to design and construct the bypass to divert heavy traffic along the

Sturt Highway and out of Truro’s main street.

The State Government’s plan is to construct a single-lane road instead of a dual-lane bypass.

It also plans to shift the alignment closer to the existing Sturt Highway, near the quarry at Truro, and introduce three new overtaking lanes, two westbound and one eastbound.

Mr Dowd said the new bypass would see about 350 trucks coming out of the quarry at Truro in the future.

“They also want to encourage travellers to come into Truro,” he said.

“They will want to get on and off the bypass, so to have a single lane is almost crazy.”

Mr Dowd said a dual-bypass was especially needed from Truro through the Accommodation Hill area as

it was a dangerous spot for motorists.

He said two lanes would make it much safer for drivers of cars to overtake in situations where a road-train and a B-double were in front of them.

Mr Dowd has distributed more than 120 petition folders to retail businesses and caravan parks across the region and has also left them at 45 truck depots.

He is requesting people who sign the petition include their signature and town of residence to ensure their support is considered valid.

Mr Dowd is also seeking volunteers to help collect signatures from spectators at Riverland sporting events.

For more information contact Mr Down on 0403 120 294.

Land allocated for potential dual-lane bypass

THE state government has confirmed land has been allocated to allow for a potential duplication of a bypass at Truro in the future under the present State and Federal Governments.

The current concept design includes two westbound overtaking lanes and one eastbound overtaking lane to provide safe overtaking opportunities.

A State Government spokesperson said the bypass project would divert heavy traffic on the Sturt Highway out of Truro’s main street, improving amenity, local safety, and freight efficiency.

“A planning study was commissioned in mid-2020, under a previous government, to investigate a suitable bypass for the Sturt Highway around the Truro township,” the spokesperson said.

The planning study investigated current and projected traffic volumes, which showed that a single-lane bypass was

considered appropriate.

The spokesperson said the project’s scope was established by the previous State and Federal Governments and the funding allocated to the project was therefore based on a single lane in each direction.

He said funding for the Truro Bypass Project was still included in the state budget.

“Eighty per cent of the \$202m allocated to the project was funded by the Federal Government,” the spokesperson said.

In May, the Federal Government announced a review of the national Infrastructure Investment Program.

The State Government said scope and delivery timelines would be confirmed following this process.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER



Waikerie has been named among the 10 finalists for the 2023 South Australia Ag Town of the Year award. FILE PHOTO

# Waikerie again in top 10 agriculture towns

FOR a second-consecutive year Waikerie has made it into the final 10 for the Ag Town of the Year award.

In order of voting Myponga, Waikerie, Jamestown, Bordertown, Orroroo, Strathalbyn, Wudinna, Eudunda, Ardrossan, Crystal Brook , and Yunta have been chosen as contenders for the award.

State Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, Clare Scriven, said given two towns came in at 10 with equal votes, the top 10 was in fact a top 11.

These towns will now be invited to provide written submissions to be reviewed by a panel of inde-

pendent judges, who will select three finalist towns.

The award highlights the importance of developing and maintaining a strong and vibrant agriculture sector in South Australia.

It recognises towns excelling in agricultural practices, strengthening their region, and supporting a vibrant and resilient community.

Ms Scriven said having a top 10 was a new innovation as the Ag Town of the Year award evolved.

She said it provided the opportunity to widen the recognition and appreciation of the towns, their surrounding regions and of course their respective communities that make them such dynamic and wel-

coming places to live.

“Our regions contribute \$29bn to the state’s economy each year and their contribution deserves to be celebrated,” she said.

“Congratulations to our top 11 towns and all the best for the next stage in what is a very rigorous process to become our very worthy Ag Town of the Year for 2023.”

The finalists will soon be visited for assessment, with one to ultimately be proclaimed the South Australian Ag Town of the Year for 2023.

The winner will be announced at the Regional Showcase Awards celebration evening on Thursday, November 9.



# Riverland Enduro set to remember Waikerie legend

**CHRISTINE WEBSTER**

AN iconic off-road Riverland Racing event at Waikerie this weekend will recognise much-loved racing legend and local, the late Wally 'Toby' Francombe.

The Riverland Enduro is being held in honour of Mr Francombe, who lost his life in April.

The former Waikerie Club chairman, gifted mechanic, and community identity was considered a natural born off-road racer.

Waikerie Riverland Off-road Association (WRORA) president James Lochert said Mr Francombe, who was a member, contributed to the club's success.

"He had a skill of being a driver and racer of almost anything," he said.

Mr Lochert said this year marked 42 years since the event began and coincidentally Mr Francombe raced under the number 42.

He said recent rain and working bees had ensured the track was "looking good" for the event.

"With the moisture the soil will be in good condition for racing," he said.

"Hopefully we will have some sun and not too much rain and it will be close to perfect conditions."

The Waikerie racing event in the past has traditionally attracted about 3000 visitors to the region.

Mr Lochert said the aim was to re-establish the event on the national enduro racing calendar.

"We are looking forward to that reputation being restored."

By late last week, 20 entrants had registered.

Mr Lochert said other enduro events had encroached on the date of the one held in the Riverland.

A national event was run in NSW last weekend, and

one will be held in Loveday in a fortnight.

Mr Lochert said the timing of the annual Waikerie event would likely be changed.

In 2021, the WRORA relocated from its previous Enduro Road track, near Murbko, to its New Well site.

Last year, the event was cancelled due to delays in receiving approval from Loxton Waikerie council to hold it at the site.

This only gave the off-road racing association two weeks to call for entries.

Mr Lochert said once WRORA's development application for the site was approved, events would be able to go ahead each year without having to obtain special approval.

The Riverland Enduro's prologue and short course begins on Saturday, at 11am, and enduro racing on Sunday gets underway at 8.30am.



The late Wally 'Toby' Francombe from Waikerie who contributed to the development of Riverland off-road racing with his daughter Maree who was his co-driver. PHOTO: supplied

## Terry's Take debut

TODAY'S edition of The Murray Pioneer sees the debut of a new locally written feature.

Remark man Terry Marter has recently received numerous online plaudits for his humorous limerick poems.

Now Mr Marter will use his observations of local events and topics covered in The Pioneer as the basis for a regular limerick.

Let us know your thoughts on Terry's Take by email (editor@murraypioneer.com.au) or by text on 0439 261 337.

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At the Loxton Neighbourhood Watch meeting earlier this month were volunteers who have served 35 years and guest speakers. Pictured at the meeting were back (from left) Peter Steele, Elvio DeMichelis, Hans Lueth, District Council of Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton and council representative Sonya Altschwager, Loxton Sergeant Steve Hunter and Norm Winn. Front: Elizabeth Steele, Lois Rathjen, Christine Smith and co-ordinator Leith McDonald. PHOTO: supplied

## 35 successful NHW years

LOXTON Neighbourhood Watch held a successful annual meeting recently, celebrating 35 years of the community group.

Special guests included District Council of Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton, former Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinators and the co-ordinator from Lameroo.

Guest speaker was original volunteer Elvio Demichelis, who explained the history of

the formation and work involved in setting up Neighbourhood Watch in Loxton 35 years ago.

Certificates and badges were presented to those original zone leaders for 35 years of volunteering, plus others for 20, 15 and five years.

Loxton Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator Leith McDonald thanked Lois and the late Eric Rathjen for their 35 years of service.

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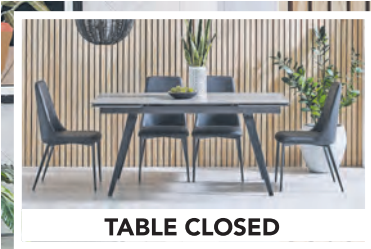


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Renmark Paringa councillors last month endorsed a 75 per cent reduction for the RWI's lease at the old Renmark High School craft building. Pictured are group members Luke Bihun and Brian Lock. FILE PHOTO

# Council's helping hand to local woodworkers

A RIVERLAND council has reduced the costs a community group pays to lease its workshop to ensure members can continue benefitting the local area.

Renmark Paringa councillors at last month's general meeting passed a motion for the Riverland Woodworkers Inc's (RWI) lease at the old Renmark High School craft building to be reduced to \$1600, plus CPI, for the remainder of its current agreement.

Renmark Paringa acting manager community development Laura John said the reduction was important to the group's ongoing sustainability.

"Leasing and licencing fees for sporting and community groups are not typically a form of revenue rais-

ing for council," Ms John said in a council report.

"It is appropriate for council to reduce the lease fee for the RWI in order to be fair and equitable and to ensure the RWI can sustain operations including adherence to work health and safety requirements into the future."

Council entered into a five-year sub lease agreement with the RWI for the site on September 29, 2021.

An initial report regarding a lease fee reduction for the group was tabled by Renmark Paringa councillors in March.

It is understood lease fees in the Renmark Paringa Council area are currently set "on a solely individual basis, taking into consideration a range of factors spe-

cific to the individual site and lessee".

Ms John said developing a leasing structure consistent for all community groups was a future goal for council.

"While it is important for council to move towards a formal leasing and licencing policy to provide consistency and transparency, there is insufficient resourcing to commence this project currently," she said.

"The collation of a leasing and licencing policy will require specific knowledge, direction from executive, extensive research, consultation with elected members and the community and will mean that this is a complex policy to develop."



Newly appointed District 9510 board governor Craig Dowling (second from left), and wife Kiki (left), with Waikerie Rotarians: District Centenary chair Rachel Wills and District 9510 secretary and board member Maureen Phillips. PHOTO: supplied

# Local Rotary Club's district representation

RIVERLAND Rotary clubs will be well represented on the 2023/24 District 9510 board.

Craig Dowling, of the Loxton Rotary Club, was inducted as the District Governor for the area encompassing most of SA, Sunraysia, Alice Springs and Broken Hill.

He and wife Kiki attended the induction ceremony at Sfera's Convention Centre in Adelaide recently.

The club's publicity director Marcus Wills said "on behalf of the club, we wish Craig and Kiki all the best as they embark

on this exciting journey".

Mr Wills thanked District 9510's past district governor Paul Thomas and wife Kathryn for their dedicated service over the past year.

The Waikerie Rotary Club's Maureen Phillips was also appointed District 9510 secretary and board member.

Rachel Wills, from the Waikerie Rotary Club, will serve as chair for the District Centenary.

The Waikerie Rotary Club had a strong presence at the induction ceremony with 11 of its members attending.



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WE have all seen the plane at least once in our lives, either flying through the sky or as a simulator at a local event.

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**RFDS SA/NT began in 1939. The organisation provides services such as:**

- **Emergency aeromedical evacuations** – a 24/7 service for outback Australians who are seriously ill or injured and require urgent medical attention, such as a farmer trapped under a tractor, a child with a snake-bite, or a motor vehicle accident on a remote dirt road.

# A call out from local RFDS supporters

## HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

A VACANCY for a notable role in a community health group presents interested Riverlanders the chance to have a direct positive impact on the lives of fellow locals.

The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Riverland Support Group is currently seeking a new secretary.

RFDS Riverland Support Group president Alan Eckermann said organising the operation of local fundraisers and events was a main aspect of the role.

"Each secretary has their own style to a degree," Mr Eckermann said.

"We have a bi-monthly meeting, and if there's any events coming up, they organise people to sit on our stalls.

"It's general organising of anything that will be done for the RFDS.

"I don't put any pressure on it, because all the secretaries I've had were different in some way."

The RFDS Riverland Support Group is also currently seeking new and younger local members.

Mr Eckermann said being part of the group had ongoing personal rewards.

"That many people have come to me saying they've saved a family member's life over the years," he said.

"We've been averaging between 600 and 700 landings in the Riverland.

"The RFDS has a direct impact on the lives of so many families in this area.

"The community in the Riverland are magnificent and give support to us left, right and centre."

For further information, or to register interest for the vacant secretary role, contact Mr Eckermann by phone on 0427 955 124, or by email (alan.eckermann@hotmail.com).







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- **Outback community health** – the RFDS is committed to delivering whole-of-life community health services to help outback, rural and remote community members live happier and healthier lives.
- **Mental health and wellbeing** – supporting adults and young people in outback regions, providing short or long-term support for times of mild distress, or more in-depth support and

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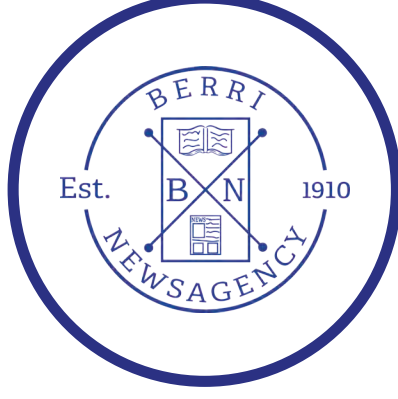
- **Inter-hospital patient transfers** – the RFDS transfers 20 patients a day from country hospitals to metropolitan hospitals for treatment and higher levels of care.

The not-for-profit organisation relies on government support and community fundraising or donations to bridge the gap

in financing aircraft, medical equipment and major capital initiatives, such as the Patient Transfer Facility to be built in Renmark.

Members of the public can contribute to fundraising efforts for the Renmark Patient Transfer Facility by visiting the website ([www.flyingdoctor.org.au/sant/ra22](http://www.flyingdoctor.org.au/sant/ra22)), or by contacting RFDS Riverland Support Group president Alan Eckermann on 0427 955 124.

Note: A percentage of advertising spots sold will be donated to the Royal Flying Doctor Service by The Murray Pioneer to assist with further fundraising efforts.





## Renmark Saturday markets delayed due to wet weather

RENMARK Paringa district residents will this weekend have the opportunity to provide feedback on a major local development project after weather forecasts forced a regular community event to be rescheduled.

Renmark Paringa Council last week advised the Renmark Riverfront Markets, planned for last Saturday, had been postponed due to a severe weather warning.

The markets will instead be held at the Renmark riverfront, this Saturday, from 9am to 2pm.

Renmark Paringa chief executive officer Tony Siviour said “the safety and wellbeing of our residents, visitors, vendors and staff remain our top-most priority”.

“We must act responsibly under circumstances that could potentially pose risks,” Mr Siviour said.

“We understand the anticipation and excitement around the Renmark Riverfront Markets, and we thank our stallholders, activity providers, and the community for their understanding during this unforeseen circumstance.”

It is understood council’s event management severe weather policy was enforced following Bureau of Meteorology forecasts for strong and damaging winds.

Mr Siviour also advised the “highly anticipated community consultation stall” regarding the development for 180 Murray Avenue would also be held this Saturday.

Further information regarding the community consultation can be found by visiting the council website ([www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/services/major-projects/180-murray-avenue](http://www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/services/major-projects/180-murray-avenue)).



TRILITY’s Max Gray judged entries for the Plastic Free July initiative, which includes the School Recycling Challenge, supported by Berri Barmera Council. All entries are on display in the Berri Community Pavilion this month. PHOTOS: supplied



Berri Primary School’s winning entry alongside the Riverland Special School’s second-place display.

## Berri Barmera schools hit recycling jackpot

SIX schools recently took part in a council-developed recycling challenge, with entries on display in Berri this month.

The Berri Barmera Council (BBC) School Recycling Challenge – sponsored by Riverland Water – was developed in conjunction with the annual Plastic Free July event.

Since 2001 Berri Barmera Council has been involved in the annual Plastic Free July initiative, which aims to celebrate and promote the benefits of recycling.

Local schools were approached and community workshops were held at Berri and Barmera libraries to produce creative projects using a variety of recycled materials.

Council received 64 entries from Berri Primary School,

Glossop Primary School, Cobdogla Primary School, Our Lady of the River School, Riverland Special School and Rivergum Christian College students.

Judging was conducted by a Riverland Water/TRILITY representative on June 30 and prizes were awarded in three categories:

**Reception to year 4**  
First: Berri Primary School – \$2000

Second: Riverland Special School – \$1000

**Year 5 and 6**  
First: Our Lady of the River School – \$2000

Second: Rivergum Christian College – \$1000

**Participation (sponsored by BBC)**  
Glossop Primary School – \$500

Cobdogla Primary School – \$500

“Children are naturally curious,” said Vincent Tremaine, Riverland Water chairman.

“They love learning about how things work and enjoy being helpful.

“This is precisely why Riverland Water partnered with council to engage the region’s students encouraging them to recycle and teaching them about sustainability.

“Learning the importance of being sustainable shows students that the environment is important. It also helps create responsible adults and deepen their understanding of our planet’s resources and the role sustainability plays.

“The Berri Barmera Council

recycling program does exactly that; it actively encourages a child’s curiosity and encourages them to participate in household and school waste and recycling efforts, something Riverland Water actively supports.”

Entries from the school challenge and community workshops will be on display in the Berri Community Pavilion on Vaughan Terrace for the rest of July.

Opening times are:  
☐ Thursday, July 13: 3pm-4.30pm

☐ Monday, July 17: 2.30pm-4.30pm

☐ Thursday, July 20: 9.30am-12 noon

☐ Tuesday, July 25: 9.30am-11.30am

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# Design code changes to prevent flood damage

THE SA government is consulting the public as part of its plan to amend the planning and design code for River Murray communities impacted by the summer flood.

The government said updating planning policy to ensure new homes and buildings were more resilient to floods was an important part of supporting community through the recovery process.

As part of this process, staff from Planning and Land Use Services will be running community information sessions at Morgan and Mannum this week.

Improvements to planning requirements included in the draft River Murray Flood Resilience Code Amendment include:

- finished floor levels for dwellings and other valuable buildings to mitigate risk of

- inundation in future flood events
- greater flexibility in building height allowances
- updated resilient design and materials for underfloor structures
- maintain open space areas around storage areas
- streamlined assessment for sheds, carports and garages located behind a riverfront dwelling, removing previous red tape
- rezoning flood-affected

shack settlements, including Paisley and Murbko, to assist development applications and rebuild efforts

Information sessions at the Morgan Sports Complex will be held today, from 4pm to 6pm, and tomorrow, from 9.30am to 12 noon.

For more details visit ([yoursay.sa.gov.au/river-murray-flood-resilience](https://yoursay.sa.gov.au/river-murray-flood-resilience)), or phone 1800 752 664.

# Police operation had high impact

A STATE-WIDE SAPOL operation held in areas including the Riverland across the month of June resulted in more than 3000 drivers being caught for speeding.

Operation High Impact had a particular focus on the 'Fatal Five' factors identified as contributors to road trauma and death, including drink and drug driving, speeding, distraction, failing to wear a seatbelt and dangerous driving.

During the month-long operation a total of 3438 motorists were caught speeding, 296 drivers returned positive readings for alcohol from 43,234 breath tests, and 288 drivers returned positive readings from 3469 drug tests.

SAPOL issued 161 fines for seatbelt offences, and detected 406 distraction offences, with the majority of drivers using their mobile phones.

Additionally, 1174 drivers were driving while either disqualified or unlicensed, and a further 1613 were found to be unregistered and/or uninsured during the operation.

As a result, 380 drivers had their cars impounded, with 2001 defects issued.

SAPOL officer in charge, traffic services branch, Superintendent Darren Fielke, appealed to all drivers to take care on the roads and show consideration for one another.

"We ask everyone to stick to the speed limit, not to drive after drinking or taking drugs, to keep their eyes on the road at all times, to ensure that everyone in their vehicle is wearing a seatbelt and to drive with regard for the road rules," he said.

"Drivers are also urged to drive to conditions, particularly during this wintry wet weather.

"Turn on your headlights to see and be seen, especially at dawn and dusk, and slow down and take extra care if roads are slippery or visibility is poor."

Renmark Lions Club outgoing president Allan Maddocks (left) and new president Paul Farr at the group's annual handover dinner and AGM, held earlier this month at Hotel Renmark.

PHOTOS: Hugh Schuitemaker



Renmark Paringa Council Mayor Peter Hunter speaking at the handover dinner.

# Renmark Lions Club 2023 AGM and handover dinner report

THE Lions Club of Renmark Inc held their annual AGM and handover dinner for president Allan Maddocks to president elect, Lion Paul Farr at the Hotel Renmark Function Room on Saturday, July 1, 2023.

Approximately 45 members and partners, and invited guests attended on the night.

Invited special guests in attendance on the night included past district governor (PDG) Ron Sargent OAM and his wife, Lion Kath,



Renmark Paringa Council Mayor Peter Hunter and wife Sue, 1st Vice District Governor Elect Carolyn Kilpatrick and husband Roger, Lion Cheryl Pedler, District Cabinet Secretary Elect and member of Berri Lions Club, Past District Governor Lion Dave Thomas OAM, and the new The Murray Pioneer editor Hugh Schuitemaker.

Mr Maddocks, the outgoing president, spoke of the club's achievements and activities during the year and thanked all members and partners for their support to him during his terms as president.

He presented certificates of appreciation to selected club members for their efforts throughout the year, and to Elder's Renmark in recognition of their support to our Lions Club during the past year.

A highlight of the night was the induction of new member Niki Dolan by PDG Ron, who also conducted the handover and induction of new president Farr and the Board of Directors for 2023/24.

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# Federal funding program applications open

RIVERLAND councils and not-for-profit groups have been encouraged to apply for a new grant program aiming to deliver community and economic benefits in regional areas.

The Federal Government last week opened appli-

cations for the Growing Regions Program.

A Federal Government spokesperson said the funding – split across two \$300m rounds – would be focused on regional infrastructure and community projects.

Further information regarding the Growing Regions Program can be found by visiting the website ([www.infrastructure.gov.au/territories-regions-cities/regional-australia/regional-and-community-programs/growing-regions-program](https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/territories-regions-cities/regional-australia/regional-and-community-programs/growing-regions-program)).

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**TERRY'S TAKE**  
BY TERRY MARTER

In Morgan, the medical centre, is sorely in need of a renter. MMC's bitter pill (An increase in the bill) Has become the town's healthcare preventer.

**Costly chlorine compliancy**

BOTH Loxton and Waikerie swimming pools will receive a costly chlorination upgrade in order to be compliant. At last month's meeting, the District Council of Loxton Waikerie agreed to changeover from gas to liquid chlorine with initial estimates that the conversion will cost \$76,000 per pool. A report to councillors stated the current gas chlorine system was non-compliant. "The systems require an installation of an auto-chlorine shutdown system and an auto-dialler that would call a designated number to advise that there is a fault/leak with the system," the report said. "Having an automatic gas chlorine safety shut down system will significantly increase the safety of the system not only for staff, contractors and all patrons on site, but meet the new Australian standards." However, councillors were also given the option to convert to chlorine liquid. The report stated that the liquid option is more user friendly, safer and cost effective. It is also predominantly the system used in other public pools.



Medical students Laura Schultz and Alice Quigley with MDRS Program Administrator Jenni Thiel. PHOTO: supplied

**Teddy Bear Hospital benefitting Riverland's students**

FLINDERS University MD Rural Stream (MDRS) students had the opportunity to connect with a local kindergarten through a Teddy Bear Hospital. Nearly 60 students from the Loxton Preschool Centre brought in their teddy bears last week to be examined and diagnosed by Flinders medical students, Laura Schultz and Alice Quigley, who are based at the Loxton Health Centre this year. The aim of the Teddy Bear Hospital is to familiarise students with health care environ-

ments and medical treatments in a fun and interactive way and overcome fears or anxieties children may have concerning hospitals, clinic environments and health professionals. The Teddy Bear Hospital program also plays an important role for future young doctors in developing interactive skills, which are required to engage successfully with young children. Ms Quigley said engaging with the students made for a "really enjoyable morning". "The kids were so energetic

and engaged," she said. "I enjoyed how elaborate some of the teddys injuries were. "I hope we were able to alleviate some of the anxiety associated with visiting the doctor." The session was followed by mock medical consult scenarios, in which students brought their teddy bear or soft-toy to the Teddy Bear Hospital for a check-up. Students were given a Teddy Bear Health Certificate with the patient's name, owner name, symptoms and treatment, which

was then signed off by the student doctor. Fellow MDRS student, Laura Schultz, echoed Ms Quigley's sentiments. "It was such a great morning, meeting all the kids and their teddy patients, I think we met some excellent doctors to be," she said. "We hope having a chance to introduce the children to medicine and doctors in a fun, and relaxed way means their future experiences with us can be really positive ones."

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**COMING CLOSER TOGETHER:** Mission Australia's Sam Mitchell recently met with council staff to have a 'yarn' about reconciliation. Mr Mitchell spoke about his "journey, stories and connection", while council staff shared their understanding on the ideas of reconciliation. PHOTO: supplied

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## New career tool helping students

A NEW resource to help students find emerging career options has been unveiled by the State Government.

MyCareerPortal, developed for South Australian government schools by online company Year 13, aims to give students better careers education and information about growing industries to pursue available opportunities in the state.

"Improving careers education is something that is often raised with me – and this new tool for students will go a long way to giving the better support needed," said Blair Boyer, SA Minister for Education, Training and Skills.

"Quality career education and guidance programs in schools empower students to explore career pathways and make meaningful choices for their lives beyond high school."

The portal provides:

- ❑ Information about key industries, such as required VET and higher education pathways and average salaries. This includes a new virtual job experience hub to better understand different industries.

- ❑ Easier access to employers to take on work experience opportunities.

- ❑ A diagnostic tool to assess personality and learning styles to key careers.

- ❑ A new career planning tool to better help students into their desired pathway.

The planning tool will focus on promoting careers in defence, such as engineers, coders and cybersecurity, in advanced manufacturing roles including electricians, boilermakers and gas fitters, and in-demand fields including early childcare, construction or education.

"Now is the time to start giving students better careers advice and information about the defence industry given the high-quality, secure jobs that will be available for the next generation of South Australians," Mr Boyer said.

"It's important to recognise that university is not the only option for students leaving school – there are a myriad of options for our young people, we just need to make them more available and accessible."

**This new tool for students will go a long way to giving the better support needed...**

- Blair Boyer



● Blair Boyer, Minister for Education, Training and Skills.

## Learning practical skills on education placements...



Finders University student Jessica Midgley spent term 2 learning practical skills and knowledge while on placement at Riverland Special School. She is pictured with principal Natalie Coote and mentor teacher Cindy Krause. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

## Teacher feature at RSS

ELYSE ARMANINI

A FLINDERS University student spent 10 weeks with a local school as part of a scholarship program to undertake teaching placements in regional areas.

Jessica Midgley is currently studying a Bachelor Degree in Primary Education and Special Education, and was one of 37 university students across the state successful in the Department for Education's Country Professional Experience Scholarship.

She joined Riverland Special School (RSS) at the start of term 2 to begin her placement, supported by principal Natalie Coote and mentor teacher Cindy Krause.

Ms Midgley, 25, said her placement – which finished last week – helped to change her perspective on what working in a special education setting was like.

"Everyone has been really sup-

portive and welcoming," she said.

"What I've learned will... definitely help with teaching next year and beyond. I've enjoyed it and working in a special school is something I would consider for the future.

"I'm really grateful to Natalie and Cindy, and two other early career teachers, who took the time to have lunch with me and show me around the school on the Sunday before I started."

Originally from Broken Hill, Ms Midgley moved to Adelaide for university and said she was excited to return to a regional setting for her placement.

"I think everyone should do a regional placement, and city students should take the opportunity to apply for incentives like this scholarship," she said.

Ms Coote described the placement as "really successful" and said she was pleased to have placement interest from someone outside of the Riverland.

"It's nice to have someone

who is open to coming to a special education environment to build their skills, knowledge and understanding around what teaching students with differentiated needs looks like and how to adjust their teaching, their learning and the curriculum to accommodate for what our students need," she said.

"We have many similarities to a mainstream school, but we are very individualised and targeted in our teaching of students. We set pre-service teachers up to learn the skills to teach in that individualised way, to support them when they graduate.

"Jessica will be able to take skills she has learned here into any context she teaches in the future.

"The benefit for the school is being able to provide students with the experience and exposure of someone who is learning to become a teacher.

"Plus high-level mentoring to support students with a disability

and additional learning needs, which we do with the teachers we have on site.

"It's great that the Department for Education has linked with universities to create these opportunities for pre-service teachers."

SA Department for Education chief executive, Martin Westwell, said the scholarship allows students to "really experience country living and become immersed in the local community".

"I've been able to meet and speak with many of the people who will be working in our regions, and it was great to hear their excitement for the opportunity," he said.

"Through these scholarships, we will support these university students to build their network within the profession, while connecting to our workforce who contribute so much to public education in country South Australia."



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OUR GREAT LIONS: Outgoing Berri Lions Club president Cheryle Pedler, Stephen Brown and Pieter Stuffers — who received the Lions International James D Richardson award — and new president Rob Cook at the group’s handover luncheon event, held earlier this month at the Berri Hotel. PHOTO: supplied

SCENES FROM A FLOOD: Rain Moth Gallery committee members Karen Richardson, Michael Cox and Nina Dellazoppa at the Flood exhibition opening. The exhibition continues until the end of August. PHOTOS: supplied



Artists Liz and Clint Frankel, whose Flood exhibition — especially the creative use of real yabbies in this one-off piece — has “created lots of interest”.



HISTORY TOUR: Dick Fogden and Barry Rollbusch were among a group of 30 people on the Loxton Historical Village’s bus tour in late May. PHOTOS: supplied



Judy and Trevor Falting on the bus tour.



Rose and Chip Mawby.



Rosie Hahn and Vicki Williams.



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Governor of South Australia Frances Adamson (left), at the Loxcare office in Loxton where a new mural was recently painted. She is pictured with Loxcare co-ordinator Bev Scarfe and District Council of Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton. PHOTO: supplied



LONG ROW: Claire Smith, of the Renmark Rowing Club, accepting her five-year achievement certificate from Ms Adamson at the Renmark Long Row event presentation last month. PHOTOS: Hugh Schuitemaker

Members of the Renmark Rowing Club committee with Governor of South Australia Frances Adamson at the Long Row dinner, held at the Hotel Renmark.



## COMMUNITY DIARY

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

### WEEKLY

Guided tours of **The Pines Historic House** are held every Sunday at 2pm, at 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. Extra tour inquiries to Helen (0421 601 903).

### WEEKLY

**Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery** in the Bonney Theatre complex open for sales Tuesday to Friday 10am to 2pm, and Saturday 9.30am to 11.30am. Inquiries to Ruth (0428 899 506).

### WEEKLY

**Palms Bingo Club** hold a bingo session every Tuesday at the Monash Club. Doors open at 11am and eyes down at 11.30am. Lunch and drinks available from the bar.

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

Line dancing at the **Monash Club** every Thursday, 11am to 2pm. Lunch and drinks available.

### WEEKLY

**Renmark Bowling Club** on Cowra Street would like to welcome you to bingo. Every Thursday night from 7pm.

### WEEKLY

**Loxcare Community Hub** free mobile phone/tablet/computer questions and answers on the third Friday of each month from 10am. Enjoy a cuppa and learn about your devices as part of the Be Connected Network.

### WEEKLY

Social badminton at the **Barmera Recreation Centre** Thursday evenings, 6.30pm to 8pm, and Tuesday mornings, 9am to 10.30am. Racquets available and all welcome. For more information contact Judy (8588 8000).

### WEEKLY

Ukulele every Thursday during school terms, from 5.15pm to 6.45pm at the **Monash Hall** supper room. Inquiries to Margot (0407 796 508). Beginners welcome.

### WEEKLY

**Berri Senior Citizens** welcome anyone over the age of 55 to attend the BSC Hall at 4 Draper Road, Berri, each Tuesday, 1pm to 4pm. Activities include bridge, cards, games, pool, computer use and socialising.

### WEEKLY

The **Barmera Community Men's Shed** is open Monday and Thursday from 8am to 12.30pm at the Bruce Oval. All men are welcome. Not open on public holidays.

### WEEKLY

**Barmera Lake Bonney Quilters** meet every Wednesday 9am to 4pm at the Riverland Field Days site. Friendly group. All welcome, beginner or experienced. Contact 0438 837 307.

### WEEKLY

The **SACWA Loxton District Branch** meets every Thursday, from 10am-2pm, at its hall on Kokoda Terrace, Loxton. Come along and enjoy a cuppa, companionship and craft.

### WEEKLY

**Riverland Woodworkers** at the old Renmark High School, Ral Ral Avenue, Wednesdays 9am to 4pm, Sundays 1pm to 4pm. Any skill level welcome. For more information contact Luke Bihun (0400 253 572).

### WEEKLY

Meet, Greet & Eat at **Loxcare Community Hub**, 13 Drabsch Street, Loxton, every Friday at 10am. Come and enjoy morning tea and a chat. For inquiries phone 8584 6954.

### WEEKLY

Rock 'n' roll and partner dancing at **Monash Community Hall** Mondays from 7pm to 10pm with the River Rock Dance Club. \$5 entry, visitors welcome to come along and

enjoy great music, dancing and a friendly atmosphere.

### WEEKLY

**U3A Riverland** yoga in the CWA rooms, Loxton. Every Wednesday from 9.30am.

### WEEKLY

The **Renmark Senior Citizens Club** meet every Tuesday at their clubroom, 75 Ral Ral Avenue. New members welcome. Please call Marina (8586 3331).

### WEEKLY

**Loxton Historical Village** open Tuesday to Sunday, 10am to 4pm, and public holidays. Pet friendly. Phone 8584 7194 or visit the website ([www.thevillageloxton.com.au](http://www.thevillageloxton.com.au)).

### WEEKLY

The **Loxton Legacy Widow Group** meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 10.30am at the Loxton RSL hall.

### WEEKLY

The **Berri Community Men's Shed** is open from 8am to 12 noon on Mondays and Thursdays. New members welcome. Inquiries phone 0428 215 114.

### WEEKLY

**Loxton Senior Citizens Club** meet every Tuesday from 1pm to 4pm at RVCC, corner of Bookpurnong Road and View Street. New members welcome. Please phone Jean (8584 7313).

### WEEKLY

**Riverland Concert Brass Band.** Monday nights 7pm to 8.30pm, except public holidays. 1 Verran Terrace, Berri. All musicians welcome.

### WEEKLY

**Mainly Music** for children aged 0 to 5 at Rivergum Christian College. Every Thursday, 10am to 11.30am during school terms. \$5 per week, per family. Cost goes towards morning tea for adults, pack a snack for your child. Come and try your first session free.

### WEEKLY

**Barmera Library** school holiday Mexican fiesta of activities, Tuesdays and Fridays

from 2pm. Build themed Lego (July 14), make a mini piñata and maracas (July 18) and enjoy an Animals Anonymous visit (July 19, 11am).

### THURSDAY, JULY 13

**Charity for All Bingo** at the Loxton Club. Raising funds for Loxton Lights Up. Doors open at 6pm, seated by 6.30pm for eyes down at 7pm. Don't be late to join in the fun.

### SUNDAY, JULY 16

**Renmark Garden Club** meeting at the clubrooms, 12 noon. Hot and tasty soup and bread roll lunch, followed by sweets and hot tea and coffee. Members please bring a sweet or slice to share. Visitors are always welcome to attend meetings.

### TUESDAY, JULY 25

**Christian Women Communicating International (CWCI)** ladies' dinner at Waikerie Hotel function room, 6pm. Safari ministry. Guest speaker. Buy own dinner. Donation box. RSVP by July 19 to Carmel (0432 307 014) or Janelle (0429 609 338).

### SATURDAY, JULY 29 & SUNDAY, JULY 30

**Riverland Orchid Society** Winter Show at Barmera Primary School. \$3 entry. Saturday 9.30am to 4pm and Sunday 9.30am to 3pm. Orchids displayed, potting demonstrations, plant sales, raffle, fully catered. All welcome. Inquiries call Marianne Lynch (0439 688 483).

### SUNDAY, JULY 30

**Renmark Lions Club** 'fundraising bazaar' 8am to 12 noon at Renmark No. 2 Oval - W. E. Wood Hall. Many bargains. EFTPOS available, barbecue, hot doughnuts. Contact Colin (0419 801 996).

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

**Zonta Club of the Riverland** monthly meeting at the Berri Hotel 6.30pm. New members welcome. Phone Dianna (0419 834 804) or Merylyn (0457 460 799).



# Flying fox incoming for Cobby students

STUDENTS at a local primary school will soon be flying across the playground with a new piece of equipment to be installed later in the year.

Cobdogla Primary School announced the approval of the new playground equipment – the Flyaway Double 25 from Adventure+ – in its week 10 newsletter earlier this month.

Principal David Ness said the goal over the last few years had been to “improve students experiences at school and to increase physical activity in the yard”.

“In previous excursions to playgrounds, the students had indicated that they liked going on the flying fox and that they would love to have one at our school,” he said.

“The risk-benefit analysis clearly showed great benefit for our students and their well-being, such as increased problem solving, social interaction and creative play through challenge.

“The Governing Council fully supported the procurement of the new equipment unanimously and discussed the many benefits to our school community.”

Featuring two zip lines and measuring 25m long, the equipment is expected to “provide unique benefits such as balance, coordination and strength”, according to Mr Ness.

By  
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“With two zip lines, more students can utilise it and engage socially,” he said.

“It is 25m and will be long enough for the students to feel like they are flying.

“The students are really excited and can’t wait to have the thrill of using our very own flying fox at recess and lunch time.

“We are looking forward to seeing the students eyes light up as they fly through the air faster than the wind, then running back to do it all over again.”

Fundraising throughout 2022 and this year helped contribute to the purchase of the Flyaway Double 25.

“(The school community) has raised over \$6000...” Mr Ness said.

“The Parents and Friends Group has been a wonderful support to the school in reaching our fundraising goals for the new Flyway 25.”

Delivery of the new equipment is expected in September (term 3), with installation to be completed for student use early in term 4.



MAIN PHOTO: The area at Cobdogla Primary School where the new playground equipment will be installed later this year. PHOTO supplied. INSET: The Flyaway Double 25 features two zip lines and spans 25m. IMAGE: Adventure+



Bailey, Harley, Leo Sav and Leo Sven enjoyed their visit to Barmera Primary School last month. PHOTOS: supplied

## Kindergarteners learning at Barmera Primary

BARMERA Primary School last term hosted local pre-school students and staff for a whole-day visit.

The visit allowed Barmera Kindergarten children to experience a variety of activities atypical of school life, while learning, playing and socialising with primary students.

Kindergarteners used laptops, carried out

science experiments, interacted in music lessons and worked with other ‘buddy’ students to write numbers and their name using a learning writing board.

A Barmera Primary School spokesperson said the students “loved the experience, helping the younger students and showing them lots of special activities that happen at school”.



Barmera Kindergartener Mason (left) with his Barmera Primary School ‘buddy’ learning to write his name.



Rivergum Christian College students Jake and Teal as Willy Wonka and Charlie Bucket in the “glass elevator” performing *The View From Here* (left) and Jake performing *Pure Imagination* during the show. PHOTOS: Jannette Fulham, Riverland Commercial Photography



## Students hitting sweet notes on stage

ELYSE ARMANINI

IT was a whole-school affair when local students took to the Chaffey Theatre stage to perform a popular musical last week.

Fittingly performed the night before World Chocolate Day, Rivergum Christian College’s (RCC) two-act, 13-song production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory drew a full crowd last Thursday.

RCC principal Jessica Clark said she was

“blown away” by the school community.

“Every student participated in our school musical, from running the lighting and sound on the night, to making the props and organising the sets backstage,” she said.

“Our talented actors and actresses were just incredible. We also had all staff committed to making this event so spectacular. I’m just so proud of them all.

“An enormous thank you to our extremely talented musical director, Jenni Sander. It is such a blessing to be part of such a talented and inclusive school community.”

Mrs Sander said all credit “goes to the students” for the successful performance.

“I cannot express the level of effort and commitment that students put in,” she said.

“A special acknowledgement to Jake (Willy Wonka), Teal (Charlie Bucket), and Anakin (Grandpa Joe) – thank you.

“Your performances were outstanding, giving the audience laughter and joy, and tears from me backstage.

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TV GUIDE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12 TO TUESDAY, JULY 18

WEDNESDAY



6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Four Corners; 10:45 Great Australian Stuff; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 National Press Club Address; 1:40 Media Watch; 1:55 Summer Love; 2:30 The Cook And The Chef; 2:55 Gardening Australia; 3:55 Antiques Roadshow; 4:55 Australian Story; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 Utopia  
8:30 Gruen  
9:10 Gold Diggers  
9:35 Queen Of Oz  
10:10 Adam Hills - The Last Leg  
10:55 ABC Late News  
11:10 The Business  
11:25 The School That Tried To End



5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Andy's Baby Animals; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Octonauts  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 Vera  
9:30 We Hunt Together  
10:15 Killing Eve  
11:00 The Cry  
12:00 Strictly Ballroom  
1:30 ABC News Update



6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Hailey Dean Mysteries; 2:00 Border Security; 2:30 Highway Cops; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 Home And Away  
7:30 Animals Aboard With Dr. Harry  
8:30 The Front Bar  
9:30 Ambulance  
10:30 Seven News  
11:00 Death Row  
12:00 The Goldbergs  
1:30 Travel Oz  
2:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise



6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Rush; 1:15 Explore; 1:30 Good Chef Hunting; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News  
6:00 Nine News  
7:00 State Of Origin  
10:30 Wimbledon 2023  
2:30 Drive Tv  
3:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 Good Chef Hunting  
5:00 Nine News Early Edition  
5:30 Today



6:00 Freshly Pick ed With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 MasterChef Australia; 3:10 Entertainment Tonight; 3:30 Judge Judy; 4:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 The Dog House Australia  
8:30 Riptide  
10:30 So Help Me Todd  
11:30 The Project  
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert



5:00 World News; 7:00 Tour De France 2023; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Paul O'grady For The Love Of Dogs; 11:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 1:00 World News; 2:00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 2:05 Insight; 3:05 Mastermind; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:35 History Of The Sitcom  
8:25 Rainbow Warrior  
9:20 Tour De France 2023  
1:30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
2:00 Cheyenne & Lola  
4:00 Food Safari

THURSDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Back Roads; 10:30 That Pacific Sports Show; 11:00 The Chemical World; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery; 1:25 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL; 2:00 Aftertaste; 2:30 The Cook And The Chef; 3:00 Gardening Australia; 3:55 Antiques Roadshow; 4:55 Australian Story; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 A Life In Ten Pictures  
8:50 Grand Designs New Zealand  
9:40 One Plus One - The Elders  
10:10 Art Works  
10:40 ABC Late News  
10:55 The Business  
11:10 The Black Hand

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Andy's Baby Animals; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Octonauts  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 QI: Sensational  
8:30 Would I Lie To You?  
9:00 Gruen  
9:40 Penn And Teller  
10:20 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
11:05 Doctor Who  
12:05 Tomorrow Tonight

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Hailey Dean Mysteries; 2:00 Border Security; 2:30 Highway Cops; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
6:50 AFL  
10:00 AFL Post Game  
10:30 Seven News  
11:00 Fantasy Island  
12:00 Rites Of Passage  
2:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Love & Where To Find It; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News  
6:00 Nine News  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 Rbt  
8:30 Paramedics  
9:30 Wimbledon 2023  
2:30 Hello Sa  
3:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 A Current Affair  
5:00 Nine News Early Edition  
5:30 Today

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 The Dog House Australia; 3:00 Entertainment Tonight; 3:30 Judge Judy; 4:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly  
8:30 Law & Order  
9:30 The Cheap Seats  
10:30 Law & Order  
11:30 The Project  
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen

5:00 World News; 7:00 Tour De France 2023; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Paul O'grady For The Love Of Dogs; 11:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 1:00 World News; 2:00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 2:10 Great Escapes With Morgan Freeman; 3:00 Mastermind; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Inside Sydney Airport  
8:30 Stanley Tucchi - Searching For Italy  
9:20 Tour De France 2023  
1:35 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
2:05 Dignity  
4:05 Italian Food Safari

FRIDAY

12:10 Beyond The Towers  
6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 War On Waste; 11:00 The Poles Revealed; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Limbo; 2:35 Gruen; 3:15 Gardening Australia; 3:55 Antiques Roadshow; 4:55 Australian Story; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 First Weapons  
8:00 Death In Paradise  
9:00 Utopia  
9:30 Gold Diggers  
10:00 ABC Late News  
10:15 The Split  
11:15 Why Didn't They Ask Evans?  
12:15 rage

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Andy's Baby Animals; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Octonauts  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
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7:30 Spicks And Specks  
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8:30 Would I Lie To You?  
9:00 Gruen  
9:40 Penn And Teller  
10:20 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
11:05 Doctor Who  
12:05 Tomorrow Tonight

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 The Office Mix-Up; 2:00 House Of Well-ness; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 AFL  
10:00 AFL Post Game  
10:30 Armchair Experts  
11:30 TBA  
1:00 Travel Oz  
1:30 Harry's Practice  
2:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Million Dollar Minute  
5:00 NBC Today

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 A Price-less Love; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News  
6:00 Nine News  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 Country House Hunters Australia  
8:30 Emergency  
9:30 Wimbledon 2023  
3:30 Good Chef Hunting  
4:00 Postcards  
4:30 Global Shop  
5:00 Home Shopping  
5:30 Skippy - The Bush Kangaroo

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 To Be Advised; 3:00 Entertainment Tonight; 3:30 Judge Judy; 4:00 Every-day Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 Location, Location, Location Australia  
8:30 Have You Been Paying Attention?  
9:30 The Graham Norton Show  
10:30 The Graham Norton Show  
11:30 The Project  
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen

5:00 World News; 7:00 Tour De France 2023; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Paul O'grady For The Love Of Dogs; 11:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 1:00 World News; 2:00 Mastermind; 3:00 Ntv News - Nula 2023; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:35 World's Most Scenic River Journeys  
8:30 Paris  
9:30 Tour De France 2023  
1:20 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
1:50 Nine Perfect Strangers  
3:40 Italian Food Safari  
4:40 Bamay

SATURDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 rage; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Death In Paradise; 1:30 The Durrells; 2:15 Louis Theroux Interviews Dame Judi Dench; 3:05 Grand Designs Revisited; 3:50 Landline; 4:20 Mamirikuwi; 4:35 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery; 5:30 The Black Hand  
6:30 New Leash On Life  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 Sister Boniface Mysteries  
8:15 Vera  
9:45 Limbo  
11:25 Marriage  
12:25 rage Guest Programmer  
5:00 rage

5:00 Moon and Me; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Octonauts  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
8:50 Live At The Apollo  
9:35 Robot Wars  
10:40 Unprotected Sets  
11:30 Staged  
11:55 All My Friends Are Racist  
12:15 Doctor Who  
1:05 Days Like These with Diesel

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Border Security; 12:30 The Crows Show; 1:00 SANFL; 4:00 AFL  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 AFL  
10:00 TBA  
12:30 Celebrity Obsessed  
1:30 Harry's Practice  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 Get Arty  
5:00 House Of Wellness

6:00 Getaway; 6:30 A Current Affair; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Today Extra - Saturday; 12:00 Surfing Australia Tv; 12:30 The Pet Rescuers; 1:00 Great Australian Detour; 1:30 Middle School; 3:30 Rush; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Getaway  
6:00 Nine News Saturday  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 Something'S Gotta Give  
10:00 Wimbledon 2023  
1:30 Surfing Australia Tv  
2:00 The Incredible Journey Presents  
2:30 Home Shopping  
5:30 Helping Hands

6:00 Reel Action; 6:30 Leading The Way With Dr. MichaelYoussef; 7:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 7:30 Escape Fishing With ET; 8:00 iFish; 8:30 What's Up Down Under; 9:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 9:30 Farm To Fork; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 MasterChef Australia; 1:10 My Market Kitchen; 1:30 Hungry; 2:00 Pooches At Play; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 3:00 What's Up Down Under; 4:00 My Market Kitchen; 4:30 Farm To Fork; 5:00 10 News First  
6:00 To Be Advised  
7:00 The Dog House Australia  
8:00 NCIS  
11:00 The Cheap Seats  
12:00 Home Shopping  
5:00 Hour Of Power

5:00 World News; 7:00 Tour De France 2023; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Barkley Manor; 11:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 1:00 World News; 2:00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 2:05 Treasures Of Malta; 3:05 Treasures Of Greece; 4:00 Trail Towns; 4:30 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 5:30 The Rise Of The Nazis  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
8:30 Amazing Railway Adventures Nick Knowles  
9:30 Tour De France 2023  
1:35 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
2:05 Witch Hunt  
3:55 Italian Food Safari  
4:55 Destination Flavour - Japan

SUNDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 Insiders; 10:00 Offsiders; 10:30 The World This Week; 11:00 Compass; 11:30 Songs of Praise; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Landline; 1:30 First Weapons; 2:00 Movin' To The Country; 2:30 Sister Boniface Mysteries; 3:15 A Life In Ten Pictures; 4:10 Grand Designs New Zealand; 5:00 Art Works; 5:30 Fake Or Fortune?  
6:30 Compass  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 Restoration Australia  
8:30 Bay Of Fires  
9:25 The Beast Must Die  
10:10 Why Didn't They Ask Evans?  
11:10 Small Axe  
12:20 rage  
3:05 The Heights  
5:00 Insiders

5:00 Moon and Me; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Octonauts  
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6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
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7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 You Can't Ask That  
8:30 Louis Theroux  
10:30 Vera  
12:00 David Attenborough's Kingdom Of Plants  
12:55 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces  
1:40 ABC News Update

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show; 12:00 House Of Wellness; 1:00 The Replacements; 3:30 Border Security; 4:00 Better Homes And Gardens; 5:00 Seven News Adelaide; 5:30 South Aussie With Cosi  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 Dancing With The Stars  
8:55 7NEWS Spotlight  
9:55 Seven News  
10:25 Born To Kill?  
11:30 Autopsy USA  
12:30 All Together Now  
2:00 TBA  
3:30 Million Dollar Minute  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Fishing Australia; 6:30 A Current Affair; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Sunday Footy Show; 12:00 Sports Sunday; 1:00 Drive Tv; 1:30 Taronga - Who's Who In The Zoo; 2:30 Iconic Australia; 3:30 Rush; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Hello Sa  
6:00 Nine News Sunday  
7:00 60 Minutes  
8:00 The Murder of Lyn Dawson  
10:00 Wimbledon 2023  
2:30 Great Australian Detour  
3:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 Take Two  
5:00 Nine News Early Edition  
5:30 Today

6:00 Mass For You At Home; 6:30 Turning Point With David Jeremiah; 7:00 Joseph Prince; 7:30 Waltzing Jimeon; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 9:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 9:30 Australia By Design; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 MasterChef Australia; 1:30 Cook With Luke; 2:00 Luxury Escapes; 2:30 My Market Kitchen; 3:00 The Offroad Adventure Show; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 Farm To Fork; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Sunday Project  
7:30 MasterChef Australia  
9:30 FBI  
10:30 NCIS  
11:30 The Sunday Project  
12:30 Home Shopping  
4:30 CBS Mornings

5:00 World News; 7:00 Tour De France 2023; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Barkley Manor; 11:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 1:00 Speedweek; 3:00 Planet Reef; 4:00 Trail Towns; 4:30 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 5:30 The Rise Of The Nazis  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Hindenberg  
9:20 Tour De France 2023  
2:20 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
2:50 Exit  
3:45 Italian Food Safari  
4:45 Bamay

MONDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Landline; 11:00 Fake Or Fortune?; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Queen Of Oz; 1:30 Vera; 3:00 Gardening Australia; 4:00 Antiques Roadshow; 4:55 Australian Story; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 Back Roads  
8:30 Four Corners  
9:15 Media Watch  
9:35 Jonestown  
10:15 China Tonight  
10:50 ABC Late News  
11:05 The Business  
11:20 The Beast Must Die  
12:05 The Split  
1:05 rage

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Andy's Baby Animals; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
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6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 David Attenborough's Kingdom  
8:50 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces  
9:40 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery  
10:10 Escape From The City  
11:10 The Making Of David Attenborough's Kingdom Of Plants  
12:00 Adam Hills

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Hailey Dean Mysteries; 2:00 Border Security; 2:30 Dog Patrol; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 Home And Away  
7:30 Dancing With The Stars  
9:25 9-1-1  
10:30 Seven News  
11:00 The Blacklist  
12:00 Total Stranger  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Charm Of Love; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News  
6:00 Nine News  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 Rush  
8:55 Police Rescue Australia  
9:55 Nine News Late  
10:25 Footy Classified  
11:25 Mr Mayor  
11:50 Black Widow  
12:40 Tipping Point  
1:30 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
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6:30 The Project  
7:30 Hunted  
9:15 Have You Been Paying Attention?  
10:15 Just For Laughs Australia  
10:45 FBI  
11:35 The Project  
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert

5:00 World News; 7:00 Tour De France 2023; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Paul O'grady For The Love Of Dogs; 11:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour; 1:00 World News; 2:00 Great Escapes With Morgan Freeman; 3:10 Inferno; 3:05 Mastermind; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Tour De France 2023 Bonjour Le Tour  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Robson Green's Weekend Escapes  
8:40 The Great House Revival  
9:40 24 Hours In Emergency  
10:35 SBS World News Late  
11:05 My Brilliant Friend  
12:05 Nadia  
1:40 Gomorrah

TUESDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Foreign Correspondent; 10:30 Outback Ringer; 11:00 Fight For Planet A; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Grantchester; 1:55 Nigella's Cook, Eat, Repeat; 2:25 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery; 2:55 Gardening Australia; 3:55 Antiques Roadshow; 4:55 Australian Story; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 New Leash On Life  
8:30 The Dark Emu Story  
9:55 Louis Theroux Interviews Yungblud  
10:40 ABC Late News  
10:55 The Business  
11:10 Four Corners  
12:00 Media Watch  
12:15 Marriage

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Andy's Baby Animals; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Hey Duggee; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Octonauts  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep: Bitzer's New Whistle  
7:05 Andy's Wild Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:30 Adam Hills  
9:15 Ghosts  
9:45 Gold Diggers  
10:10 Blunt Talk  
10:40 Would I Lie To You?

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Hailey Dean Mysteries; 2:00 Border Security; 2:30 Dog Patrol; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 Home And Away  
7:30 Million Dollar Island  
9:00 The Rookie  
11:00 Seven News  
11:30 The Blacklist  
12:30 S.W.A.T.  
1:30 Travel Oz  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Rush; 1:30 Getaway; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News  
6:00 Nine News  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 Rush  
9:00 Travel Guides  
10:00 Nine News Late  
10:30 Chicago Med  
11:20 See No Evil  
12:10 Court Cam  
12:40 Tipping Point  
1:30 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 A Current Affair  
5:00 Nine News Early Edition  
5:30 Today

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 To Be Advised; 3:45 Entertainment Tonight; 4:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
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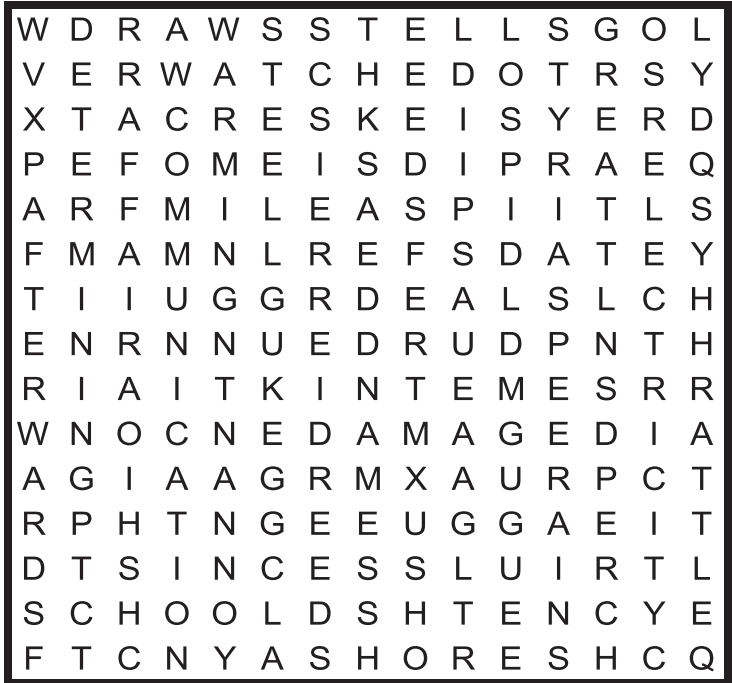
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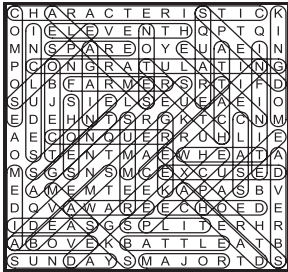
# Word search

## How many words can you find?

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COMMUNICATION  
CONGRATULATED
- DAMAGED  
DEALS  
DESIRES  
DETERMINING  
DIARY  
DRAWS  
ELECTRICITY  
EXAMPLES  
FADED  
FIRING
- FORTS  
GOING  
GREAT  
GUEST  
INTEREST  
LOYAL  
MAGIC  
MULES  
NAMES  
PERCH
- PICTURES  
PITCH  
RADIOS  
RAINS  
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REGRET  
RESIST  
SCHOOL  
SINCE  
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TELLS  
THANKED  
THING  
UNLIKE  
WARMING  
WATCHED



Last Week's Solution



Crossword

ACROSS  
1. Declare strongly  
5. Tours  
8. Worship  
10. Challenge  
13. Lay waste  
15. Active  
16. Excavates  
17. Equipped  
20. Levels  
22. Monetary  
23. Put on  
24. Linger  
27. Insurgent  
30. Church official  
31. Of sound mind  
32. Wink  
34. Cessation of a custom  
36. Newspaper chief  
37. Cooking odour  
38. Same  
39. Birds of prey

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

10 11 12 13 14

15

16 17 18 19

20 21 22

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24 25 26 27 28 29

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34 35 36

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38 39

DOWN  
2. Bridge  
3. Extraneous  
4. Stories  
5. Vestiges  
6. Speed an engine  
7. Use money  
9. Beginning  
10. Cover with wax  
11. Counsel  
12. Ova  
14. Subtle emanation  
18. Emphasising  
19. Instead  
21. Farewell  
22. In favour of  
23. Repudiated  
25. Rowing implements  
26. One of two glandular bodies in the throat  
27. Attack  
28. Pulsate  
29. Ogle  
30. Avoid  
31. Cubic metre  
33. Convey  
35. Single-sailed boat

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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A R R I V E T R I A L  
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B A T I S T E T O G A  
N I S E S C A L A T E  
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## July 2023 Horoscopes: week 2

**ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)**  
You have a lot to do, and won't want to be held up. Stay calm but firm and you'll get through your workload sooner than if you get caught up in an argument. **Romance.** A dream about your partner will not bear much relationship to real life. In some ways, they are better in real life than in your dream!

**TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)**  
A chance encounter later in the week may give you an opportunity to break out of your routine. Don't allow yourself to get in a rut! **Romance.** The Moon/Mars Midpoint moving through your sign could make you a little tense at times. Your partner may be wondering what the problem is.

**GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)**  
A dream later in the week will contain an important message: it may be a while before you manage to work out what it was really about. You will understand its significance just in time! **Romance.** A personal remark will help you to understand the intentions of the person concerned. You may have to make a decision about this person.

**CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)**  
The people around you will have to adapt, as you are not going to slow down! You will be able to achieve more than usual this week. **Romance.** A relationship that has been developing may be going through a turbulent patch. Try to get the advice of a friend whom you respect.

**LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)**  
You might be concerned about a health problem. It will solve itself, provided you get more exercise and improve your diet. Don't let your heavy workload get in the way of a healthy lifestyle. **Romance.** A few unexpected upheavals could threaten to spoil the good atmosphere at home.

**VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)**  
Strike out by yourself this week: don't let other people push you in the wrong direction. You will be able to get a lot done, so long as you are allowed to go at your own pace. **Romance.** A powerful aspect to Venus and to Neptune this week will combine to give you powerful intuitive ability this week. You will get an insight into a developing relationship.

**LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)**  
Don't take all the credit for something which another person helped you with. Be generous sharing out the praise and you'll earn this person's loyalty. **Romance.** Be careful not to say the wrong thing. A comment that you make in jest may be misinterpreted. Your partner may be over-sensitive at the moment.

**SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)**  
Spending time with a colleague at work could take much longer than you expect this week. You may be tempted to mind your own business in future! **Romance.** This will not be a good week for calm, collected thought: avoid making a rash decision. A challenging aspect to Mercury could mean you make the wrong choice.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)**  
You might not appreciate a recent decision by your boss. They may have reasons that you are not aware of, however. A difficult aspect to Mercury this week is getting in the way of clear communication. **Romance.** Some unexpected compliments will take you by surprise.

**CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)**  
You will be too wild for your own good this week. A few careless remarks may cause more of a stir than you expect. A difficult aspect to Mars is creating all sorts of trouble this week. You may need to watch what you say! **Romance.** Someone you meet may try to get between you and your partner.

**AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)**  
Your energy will help you to achieve what you are after and people around you will be energised by you. A problem which has been troubling you recently will soon be forgotten about. **Romance.** Don't try to change your partner: do your best to accept them just as they are. Remember what attracted you to each other in the first place.

**PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)**  
You will be shocked how frank a colleague is this week. Normally this person is quite secretive about their feelings. **Romance.** Your partner will appreciate the extra attention which you give them this week. A romantic evening together will help bring the two of you closer together.

SUDOKU No.436

To solve a sudoku puzzle, fill the empty cells with the numbers 1 to 9

Each number only appears once in each row, column and 3 x 3 box.

Level of Difficulty: Easy

Solution No. 435

1	4	8			7		
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Run Rabbit Run's director Daina Reid (left) and screenwriter Hannah Kent, from the Adelaide Hills, whose parents grew up in Waikerie. PHOTO: Netflix



Adelaide born and internationally acclaimed actor Sarah Snook delivers a gripping performance in Run Rabbit Run which ranked third globally on Netflix during its first week of showing. PHOTO: Sarah Enticknap/Netflix

# Waikerie captivates audiences in psychological thriller

THE Riverland landscape and majestic cliffs of Waikerie are being shared with audiences across the globe in a psychological thriller film written by SA screenwriter Hannah Kent.

Run Rabbit Run, starring Adelaide-born actor Sarah Snook, premiered at the iconic Sundance Film Festival in the United States in January and was also featured in last month's Sydney Film Festival.

The film, which premiered on Netflix on June 28, reached number three globally and was ranked in the top 10 films in the US, Canada, Europe, Africa and Asia during its first week.

During this period it also had 6,000,000 views.

Ms Kent, who is based in the Adelaide Hills, said she always had Waikerie in mind when developing the film's script.

"The landscape was so firmly entwined with the narrative from the outset," she said.

"I love the cliffs and the river and they haven't really been featured that much in a lot of films."

"It is so visually striking and I thought it would be nice to explore the connections between characters and the landscape."

Ms Kent's parents – Alan and Pam – also live in the Adelaide

Hills but grew up in Waikerie and were childhood sweethearts.

Her grandfather, the late Eric Urlwin, was a well-known community identity and Waikerie real estate agent.

Ms Kent said her family connections with Waikerie and regular visits during school holidays as a child influenced her writing of the film.

She also sought advice from her parents about locations that were featured.

"I asked them to take me to areas where I hadn't been previously," she said.

"It was then that I started to pay attention to everything from the

sheaoks, the lignum down at the flats, Hart Lagoon, Ramco and of course the cliffs."

Ms Kent said when the SA border was closed to Victoria during Covid-19, the film's director Daina Reid attempted to find cliffs along the River Murray.

"When she described what she was looking for, everyone said 'You have to go to Waikerie for that'," she said.

Ms Kent examines the challenges of familial relationships in the thriller film.

"We didn't specifically set out to write this film to explore those issues," she said.

"The writing process for me is always character focussed."

Kent said once she develops characters in her writings, it then becomes apparent that she has brought up particular themes or issues.

"We certainly had long conversations about motherhood and being a daughter and a sister," she said.

"We also discussed trauma and the idea of someone feeling like they are a monstrous mother."

Kent said it was touching to hear how Waikerie locals welcomed the actors and crew into the town and agreed to close the town pool to enable filming.

## the quiz



1. Which New York Island was declared a National Historic Site in 1964?

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2. Which country "outlaw" sang To All The Girls I've Loved Before with Julio Iglesias?

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3. Which aviation pioneer was flying with Frederick Noonan when they disappeared?

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4. Who was born first, Sharon Stone or Meg Ryan?

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5. Which politician said, "You let a bully come into your front yard, and the next day he'll be on your porch?"

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6. In which state was Michael Jackson's Never Land Ranch?

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7. Which rank did actor James Stewart reach in the US Air Force?

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8. Which language does the word ombudsman derive from?

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9. Vehicles from which country use the international registration letter N?

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10. Which colour appears with blue on the UN flag?

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11. Which late rock star said, "When you're dead you're made for life?"

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12. In WWII, what was called Operation Dynamo?

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13. Who created and introduced the TV series The Twilight Zone?

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14. Which toy was the brain child of Ole Kirk Christiansen of Denmark?

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15. Which country is known as Suomi?

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16. Who was the Roman Emperor in 41-54 AD?

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17. Which sea separates Egypt from Saudi Arabia?

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18. How many lines are in a limerick?

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19. What is the national animal of Argentina?

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20. Which veteran pop singer has the first names Roderick David?

.....

**BONUS QUESTION:** What is Chang Cheng better known as in English? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Answers on page 32

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The Riverland Vintage and Classic Car Club held its annual Bunyarra run recently, this time hosted by members Barry and Judy Mangelsdorf. PHOTO: supplied



## Riverland car run continues at new spot

AN annual vintage car club run still went ahead last month, despite a change in location. The Riverland Vintage and Classic Car Club holds an annual run to Bunyarra, which is a working farm just outside Alawoona. Due to a family bereavement, car club members Barry and Judy Mangelsdorf kindly hosted the event. An event spokesperson described the attendance as “excellent”, with a range of club vehicles taking part. The oldest was Richard and Carolyn Wood’s 1925 Dodge Tourer.



Local landholders can receive discounts on native seedlings and planting supplies through the MRLB Trees for Life initiative. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

## Seed support for flood-affected landholders

RIVERLAND landholders affected by the 2022-23 River Murray Flood can receive a 50 per cent discount on native seedlings to help revegetate flood-affected landscapes. The offer extends to seedlings, tree guards and stakes ordered through the 2023 Trees For Life tree scheme. The initiative, supported by Trees For Life and the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board (MRLB), provides a 50 per cent discount for up to 500 seedlings, and 500 stakes and guards per property, per planting season, for the next three years. Deputy Premier and Minister for Climate, Environment and Water, Susan Close, said “supporting post-flood recovery works is an important focus of both Trees For Life and the MRLB”. “The expert knowledge of Trees For Life staff can assist landholders plant seedlings native to their location which are more likely to be successful in local conditions and be of benefit to the plants and animals on individual properties,” she said. The scheme offers the right native seedlings for the right location, collecting seed from 42 different provenance zones across the state, and advice about the correct species choice. Trees For Life revegetation services manager, Vicki-Jo Russell, said “Trees For Life is really pleased to be partnering with the MRLB”. “Revegetating can be valuable after a flood as it can prevent further soil erosion, boost the soil’s ability to absorb water, stabilise embankments, recreate habitat for local wildlife and improve the look and feel of the site which can be an important motivator when rebuilding after a natural disaster,” she said. “Flood recovery takes time, and we’d encourage flood-affected landholders to take advantage of the discount to revegetate a little each year so the benefits start to grow around them.” The 2023 tree orders are open until Thursday, August 31, with more information available at (<https://treesforlife.org.au/>).



Waikerie Medical Centre staff Judy Sparrow (left), Nicole Sandy, Marilyn Hahn, Kimberly Higgs, Leanne Lawrie, Jo Traeger, Di Fulwood and Dr Kellie Mibus all recently took part in Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Global Awareness Day. PHOTO: supplied

## Waikerie’s medical staff boosting MND awareness

STAFF at the Waikerie Medical Centre (WMC) recently took part in Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Global Awareness Day. Each year on June 21, communities across the world take part in the event to raise awareness about MND. WMC practice manager Marilyn Hahn said participants all purchased beanies and socks from FightMND, a not-for-profit organisation established in 2014, to find treatments and ultimately a cure for the illness. Ms Hahn said staff regularly took part in awareness campaigns about diseases and important social issues. “So far this year we have supported Crazy Socks 4 Docs Day, which boosts public awareness about the need to support doctors’ mental health, and Harmony Week,” she said. “We will also be doing Daffodil Day, Jeans for Genes, Breast Cancer Awareness Day and Red Nose Day.” Ms Hahn said it was important for staff in rural medical practices to take part in awareness days to educate the community about health issues. “Small country towns are often neglected in the advertising of these events,” she said.

**“Small country towns are often neglected in the advertising of these events...”**  
- Marilyn Hahn  
Waikerie Medical Centre practice manager

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Renmark Men’s Probus Club news

IN my first edition of the Renmark Men’s Probus Club monthly report, I mentioned we had 30 or so members, whereas we actually now have 46 members.

Our club is just one of a very strong contingent of Probus Clubs throughout the Riverland, made up of men’s, ladies and combined clubs.

We take this opportunity to congratulate one of our members, namely Gary Bornholm, who after 15 years of dedicated service in the role of looking after the club regalia, will at our next meeting be relinquishing the role. Well done Gary.

At our last meeting in June the guest speaker was John Angove, chairman of the board of Angove’s Family Winemakers, who gave a most interesting and absorbing presentation for an hour detailing the long history of the Angove dynasty.

The next meeting is set down for Monday, July 17 with our guest speaker to be Richard Mast, who will speak about his interest in the

history of Renmark and photos thereof.

As an added bonus our club arranges one-day trips visiting various places of interest, or other events are arranged on a day other than the usual meeting days.

Several of these events are also being organised in conjunction with other Probus Clubs, some of which include a bowls day at the Renmark Bowling Club, set down for Thursday, August 17 and a combined friendship get together with other Riverland Probus Clubs, at the Barmera Club, on Thursday, August 31. Organisers are encouraging present and former club members, plus partners, spouses, and prospective members to attend.

If any of these activities sound interesting to you and you are retired, then feel free to contact one of our members for further information, or come along to the Hotel Renmark Entertainment Room at 10am on the third Monday of the Month.

- Alan Maddocks

Help find lost Riverland treasures

RIVERLANDERS with a passion for historic vehicles, farm equipment and other items have an opportunity to join a South Australian organisation focused on highlighting collectables.

The Australian Restorations and Pickers group are currently seeking to recruit a Riverland-based team member for their



state-wide initiative.

An Australian Restorations and Pickers spokesperson said the organisation focused on uncovering hidden, and sometimes forgotten, items

of value in regional South Australian communities.

“We require an energetic, enthusiastic mature person with a potential strong interest in collectables, antiques and gems from our past history found in local fields, sheds, garages and backyards,” the spokesperson said.

“We know there are all sorts of hidden gems, col-

lectibles and historic vehicles all across the beautiful Riverland that are waiting to be uncovered.

“Shining a light on the history of the region is what we’re planning to do.”

Further information regarding Australian Restorations and Pickers is available by emailing (ptpower10@yahoo.com.au).



A FRESH COAT: A new mural was recently completed at the Loxcare building, in Loxton. PHOTOS: supplied

HERE we are in mid-year winter with the wind and rain. Are you like me waiting for those earlier morning sunrises? However, I was looking forward to the month of July as Julie had planned to head to the SA outback, to go to Farina when the underground bakery was open.

Some of you may say where? After the many recent TV and radio programs telling the story of this outback town, you may already know what our experience would have been like. Several people I know had been there, most when the underground bakery and shop were open, which is during June and July every year now. This icon of a town is completely looked after by dedicated volunteers, there are 50 volunteers every week for those winter months giving service to the travellers.

The volunteers of the Farina Restoration Group Inc come from all over Australia and gather there from May ready to welcome the hundreds of travellers who visit the historic remains. The Farina Restoration Group Inc was formed to restore and rebuild some of the broken homes of those early years of our Australian history, from 1880 to the 1960s. The historic underground bakery is known throughout the country and was restored by volunteers in 2010, which was 80 years after it all closed down. There is so much to see in the outback, including walking and vehicle trails that take you to the well-equipped camping grounds, the War Memorial, the Railway Precinct,

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cricket oval, and the remains of several important buildings such as the police station, post office, and Transcontinental Hotel. There is so much to learn of this town, but I can tell you the bread, cakes and pastries are all top quality. What really impressed me was all the great local Nippy’s products there for sale.

Thursday night at the Waikerie Institute was an amazing success, with thanks to the Adelaide Guitar Festival’s On the Road event. The attendance was outstanding with approximately 150 people enjoying an outstanding concert, with the support of Rachel Lawson opening the night’s entertainment. The talented artists from Adelaide Guitar Festival all had a story with their items and they took us on their journey with them.

For me and many others who were there on Thursday evening it was a pleasure to be in the Waikerie Institute enjoying an event and thinking of the years gone by, when there were regular concerts with great entertainment to enjoy and how much these bring our community together.

Here is another reminder of the Country on Tour with Allan Webster and Ian ‘Bidge’ Boyd, presented by Music on the Deck, in Waikerie at the bowling club on Friday, August 18. For further details and Bookings contact Susan Santella on 0417 854 972.

Do you want to see the Adelaide Crows at Adelaide Oval when they meet the Gold Coast on Saturday, August 5, at 1.40pm? The Riverland Crows Supporters Group will have a day trip arranged for you. Contact Lyn, on 0428 463 004, ASAP to get further details.

The Riverland Crows Supporters Group welcome supporters to join them at the Big Screen Viewing, at the Loxton Club, on Sunday, July 23, at 2.50pm. You might be lucky and win a Crows guernsey! Afternoon tea will be served at half-time. To assist with catering contact Lyn on 0428 463 004.

Great News this week for our community as Waikerie is now in the top 10 finalists for the Ag Town of the Year award. We now wait for the next stage of the competition results.

Waikerie is the place to be!

Thought for the week:

“It is not the events in our lives that are wholly significant, but more importantly how we deal with theses events, that make us who we are”

- Sara Henderson



Farina Bakery baker David, and Gwen Webber. PHOTOS: supplied



Ms Webber at the entrance to the historic bakery.

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Copies of the LOXCARE Inc. Mission Statement and Co-ordinator's Job Description are available on request from LOXCARE Chairperson Tania Klix 0419 036 828.

Applications are required, along with two referees. Mark applications CONFIDENTIAL, and addressed to:

**The Chairperson  
Loxcare Management Committee  
PO Box 685  
Loxton SA 5333**

**Or email to [tklix@bigpond.net.au](mailto:tklix@bigpond.net.au)  
Applications close Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July**

LZ15013



**PARTICIPATION OFFICER**

This is an exciting opportunity to join UnitingSA's team as the Participation Officer covering areas such as Loxton, Renmark and Berri.

The Participation Officer will provide case management services to families with multiple and complex needs, with the goal of breaking the cycle of intergenerational unemployment through engagement with training, education and employment activities alongside social participation.

For a confidential discussion, please contact Steven Urbank, Program Manager on 08 8259 2900.

**A full job description can be located via our website: <https://unitingsa.bigredsky.com/page.php?>  
Applications close Friday 28th July 2023.**

RZ12396



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**ESSENTIAL CRITERIA**

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BZ12523



**SA Water**

**"My team is really supportive, I love the work I do."**

**Construction and Maintenance Worker**

**Work Type** Full time, 12 month maximum term  
**Location.** Lake Victoria

The successful candidate will be required to live at the lake private self-contained accommodation is provided and will also be required to share in regular rostered weekend overtime as well as some out of hours work.

For a position description and to apply go to, <http://careers.sawater.com.au>

**Please upload a copy of your application before Monday 17 July 2023.**

WT18090

We believe innovation and great outcomes for our customers are best delivered by a diverse and inclusive workplace that reflects our community. That's why we encourage people from all backgrounds, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, as well as people seeking flexible working arrangements to apply and join our team.



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SA Water



**SECONDARY TEACHER**

1.0 FTE Permanent

*We're looking for a Christian teacher who is eager to engage with students, mentor their creativity, celebrate their strengths and scaffold their learning from a Christian worldview.*

For a position description and to learn more about our College, visit [rivergum.sa.edu.au/employment](http://rivergum.sa.edu.au/employment)

Submissions should include an application form (found on the website), cover letter, CV and TRB SA certificate.

**Application close Monday July 24**

BZ12509



**PRIMARY TEACHER**

1.0 FTE Permanent

*We're looking for a Christian teacher who is eager to engage with students, mentor their creativity, celebrate their strengths and scaffold their learning from a Christian worldview.*

For a position description and to learn more about our College, visit [rivergum.sa.edu.au/employment](http://rivergum.sa.edu.au/employment)

Submissions should include an application form (found on the website), cover letter, CV and TRB SA certificate.

**Application close Monday July 24**

BZ12508

**RENMARK PARINGA INDEPENDENT LIVING**

**SECRETARY**

**We are looking for an Efficient, Genuine & Caring Secretary with an Understanding of & Empathy for the Elderly - who choose to live independently.**

Renmark Paringa Independent Living exists to enable local Renmark Paringa Residents to have low cost, quality housing designed to suit their needs. Currently, we have 102 individual units, supporting over 120 people with their accommodation.

We have a 25 hour position with a mix of fixed and flexible work times - to best support our residents.

**Written applications, with two referees, as per the Job & Person Specification will close at 5pm on Wednesday, 19th July, 2022.**

**INFORMATION:**

**Peter Hunter** via email in the first instance: [rpilposition22@gmail.com](mailto:rpilposition22@gmail.com)

BZ12378



**WE ARE HIRING MECHANIC**

**Permanent full time - \$69,824 - \$71,531 p.a. + super**

We are seeking a skilled Mechanic to join our Infrastructure Services team to ensure the functionality and reliability of Council's plant and machinery.

**About the role**

General responsibilities of the role include:

- scheduling and undertaking repairs and maintenance to Council's vehicles, including mobile plant, trucks, utes, trailers, effluent pump stations, small plant, hand tools and equipment
- ordering parts and troubleshooting reported problems
- checking and testing for road worthiness and safe operation
- accurate record keeping of plant maintenance and daily work logs

**As the successful candidate you will receive:**

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To enquire please visit our website or contact Katrina Bell on 08 8576 3002. Submit applications via email to [vacancies@southernmallee.sa.gov.au](mailto:vacancies@southernmallee.sa.gov.au) by 5pm on Friday 28 July 2023

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Please submit your resume to:  
JMA Engineering  
Email: [michelle@jmaeng.com.au](mailto:michelle@jmaeng.com.au)

RZ12500-V2



**FRIENDS OF THE P.S. INDUSTRY**

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Wednesday 2nd August, 2023**  
**at 7:30pm**  
**Function Room Renmark Hotel**

Business of Meeting  
Financial Report  
Election of Committee Members

Enquirers contact Helena Whitman 0407 772 299

RZ12350



Notice is hereby given that the 65th AGM of the Cobdogla & District Club will be held in the Special Functions Room, at the Club on October 23rd at 7.30pm.

### AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of Previous AGM
4. Committee Report
5. Financial Report
6. Election of Committee
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. Appointment of Accountant
9. Fix remuneration of Committee
10. Determine the Annual Subscriptions for the ensuing year
11. General Business items

**All Members Welcome**

Financials available at the club prior to the meeting

**Apologies By Phone: 85887092**  
**Email: [cobbclub@bigpond.com](mailto:cobbclub@bigpond.com)**

BZ12564



## Water Joey

Century Orchards is an Almond Farm located 8km from Loxton township. We are currently looking to add two Irrigation assistants to our team due to expansion.

### ABOUT THE ROLE:

The role entails General Irrigation duties such as;

- Irrigation Maintenance
- Fertiliser Applications
- Checking and fixing of irrigation systems
- Other roles including harvest and tractor work when required

You will be working as part of great team with on farm training provided and the opportunity to complete offsite training as the role develops.

Above award rates and penalty rates, rostered weekend work throughout peak irrigation/harvest season. Driver's license a must.

**Please email through your resume or any queries to the Assistant Manager:**  
**[jason@centuryorchards.com.au](mailto:jason@centuryorchards.com.au)**  
**Office Number: 8584 4777**  
**Applications close: 4th August, 2023**

LZ15067



**1.Five states 2.Pirouette 3.India 4.Alice's Adventures in Wonderland 5.Two months 6.The Tale of Peter Rabbit 7.Gerald Ford 8.New Zealand 9.Argentina 10.212 degrees 11.His right arm 12.Fulham 13.Morpheus 14.Saints 15.Four teeth 16.Yugoslavia 17.Frankfurt 18.INXS 19.Acrobat 20.Rabbits**

**BONUS QUESTION ANSWER (from last week):**A phillumenist collects matchbox labels.



## Payroll & Administration Officer

Angove Family Winemakers is one of Australia's most respected family owned and operated wine and spirit producers. We take pride in offering a wide selection of quality wines and spirits, backed by exceptional, personalised customer service.

We are seeking an experienced payroll professional to join our finance and HR team based in Renmark South Australia. The Payroll & Administration Officer is responsible for the accurate maintenance and timely preparation of two fortnightly payrolls, including uploading, data entry and checking of time keeping records, processing leave records, wage rate changes, employee details changes etc. and the provision of information to employees, managers, statutory and non-statutory bodies.

In addition to payroll functions the Payroll & Administration Officer will assist the Finance, HR and Quality teams with finance and administrative activities.

Applications (resume and covering letter) should be forwarded to:  
Raj Kaur  
HR & Safety Manager  
PO Box 12 Renmark SA 5341  
[HR@angove.com.au](mailto:HR@angove.com.au)


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## Berri Barmera Recreation and Playspaces Blueprint

Berri Barmera Council recognises the importance of recreation and playspaces for our community. Council is aiming to understand current and future needs to deliver well planned community spaces and facilities that are practical and sustain community use.

A core component of this process is developing a blueprint that will identify types of playspace, optimal use of informal recreation areas and priorities for improvement.

You are invited to share your views through the following opportunities:

### Community Information Session


- **Thursday 20 July 2023**
- **10:00am to 1:00pm Drop-in**
- **Venue: Berri Community Pavilion, Vaughan Terrace, Berri**

### Recreation and Playspaces Survey

- **Opens Wednesday 12 July and closes Friday 4 August 2023**
- **[www.surveymonkey.com/r/BBCPlayspaces](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BBCPlayspaces)**



Should you have any immediate questions or comments regarding the project, or the community information session, please contact: Berri Barmera Council  
(08) 8582 1922  
[bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au](mailto:bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au)



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BIRTHDAY**



**COPELAND, Rita**  
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loving and much-loved  
Mum and Grandma.  
80 years young  
on July 9th!  
May the Lord bless  
her with many more.  
With love from  
John and Robyn,  
Julie and Gerard,  
Jess and Cody,  
Josh and Sophie.

**90th  
BIRTHDAY**

**NITSCHKE, Ronda**  
Dulcie (nee Dutschke).  
16/7/1933  
Mum, on your 90th  
birthday, we want to  
thank you for lighting  
and always guiding  
our way.  
We are so proud  
and very blessed  
to have a mum,  
grandmother and  
great-grandmother  
who is so loving  
and strong.  
Today we hope you  
feel the love of all who  
adore you, with peace  
in your soul, laughter  
in your heart, and  
smiles all around you.  
Thank you for  
choosing us as  
your children.  
You are forever loved  
and appreciated.  
God bless you, Mum.

Love always and  
forever, your specially  
chosen children,  
Andrew and Cheryl.  
Only granddaughter  
Lauren and Pete,  
and only  
grandson, Brayden.  
Great-grandchildren  
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Malekai, Izaiah and  
Aaliyah-Amarni.

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**DEATHS**

**BROOKE, Keith.**  
Passed away  
peacefully on  
July 4, 2023.  
Aged 95 years.  
Loving husband  
of Emily.  
Loving husband  
of deceased  
wife Janet.  
Cherished father  
of Petria, Peter,  
Cathy, Tim, Richard  
and Christopher.  
Loved father-in-law  
of Peter, Ann, Bill,  
Kay, Leanne  
and David.  
Adored grandpa of  
17 grandchildren  
and 9 great-  
grandchildren.  
In God's hands.  
Forever in  
our hearts.

**FOLEY, Franklin**  
Harvey 'Lyn'.

Passed away with  
family by his side.  
Aged 80 years.  
Loved by his  
wife Robin.  
Daughter Sherie  
and son Leigh.  
Son and  
daughter-in-law  
Ian and Mon.  
Grandsons Sebastian  
and Alexander.

Special thanks  
to all the staff at  
St Catherines for  
their compassionate  
care for Lyn over  
many years.



**KOCH, Judith Dawn**  
(nee Zimmermann).

Passed away  
peacefully on  
July 7, 2023.  
Aged 82 years.  
Dearly loved and  
loving wife of  
Kevin (deceased).  
Loving mother and  
mother-in-law of  
Anthony and  
Juli-Anne;  
Julie and David  
(Wells);  
Sharon and Paul  
(Avers).  
Adored nana of  
Damien, Natacha,  
Brandan, Alexander,  
Lochlan, Bethany  
and Trinity.  
Great-nana of Abby,  
Harrison and Isaac.

**DEATHS**



**OBST, Patricia Mary.**  
Passed away  
peacefully at Cogan  
Wing on Wednesday  
21 June, 2023.  
Aged 92 years.  
Loved former wife of  
Gordon (deceased),  
from Moorook.  
Loving mother  
of Barry and  
Christine (deceased),  
Christine and Mike,  
Kevin, Keryl and  
Peter (deceased).  
Nanna and grandma  
of their families.

Sleeping peacefully.

Patricia was  
privately cremated.

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**RATHJEN, Eric Arthur.**

Passed away  
peacefully at the  
Loxton hospital on  
Thursday 6 July, 2023  
with family by his side.

Aged 93 years.  
Dearly loved husband  
of Lois for over  
68 years.  
Loving father of  
Peter and Sue,  
Kaye and John,  
Julie and Peter,  
Ian and Gleny,  
Mark and Andrea.  
Adored Papa of 19  
grandchildren and  
their partners.  
"Chook" Papa of 31  
great-grandchildren.

Gloriously alive in  
Jesus!



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**DEATHS**

**SCHWARZ, Kenneth**  
Gordon.

Passed away  
peacefully at home,  
with family by his  
side, on Wednesday  
5 July, 2023.

Aged 76 years.  
Dearly loved husband  
of Daphne for 52  
loving years.  
Special father and  
father-in-law of  
Prear and Dale,  
Simon,  
Malini and Paul.  
Adored poppa to  
Amelia, Madison,  
Mikaela, Cameron  
and Tyler.

Now resting peacefully  
with his Lord.

**SCHWARZ, Kenneth**  
Gordon.

Passed away  
peacefully on  
Wednesday 5 July,  
2023.

Aged 76 years.  
Loved and respected  
brother and  
brother-in-law of  
Warren and Julie.  
Uncle of Janine, Brian,  
Robert (deceased),  
and families.  
Now with his  
Lord in Heaven.

**SCHWARZ, Kenneth**  
'Ken'.

The members of the  
Loxton Squash Club  
are saddened by the  
passing of  
Ken Schwarz.

A respected life  
member and six times  
club champion of  
the club.

Ken played at a very  
high level over the  
five decades he was  
a player, playing well  
into his seventies, a  
true champion and  
gentlemen, both on  
and off the court.

Always fair, tenacious,  
crafty, and resilient  
on the court, Ken was  
the true meaning of  
a good sport, and an  
inspiration to all those  
who knew him.

He will be sadly  
missed around  
the club.

Our deepest sympathy  
to Daphne and  
his family.

**DEATHS**



**WILKINSON, Phillip**  
'Rubber'.

Phillip 'Rubber'  
Wilkinson passed  
away, in the care  
of his family, on  
the morning of  
July 6, 2023.

Aged 67 years.

Brave and determined  
to the end.

Phil will be  
privately cremated.

In the meantime,  
spare a thought for  
Rub next time you're  
down the green or at  
the pub with  
your mates.

You were loved.

Family and friends  
of Phillip 'Rubber'  
Wilkinson are invited  
to attend his wake at  
the Monash Bowls  
Club, Friday 14 July,  
from 2pm to 5pm.

In lieu of flowers,  
a donation may be  
made to the Riverland  
Palliative Care team  
at the wake.

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**FOLEY.**

The family and  
friends of Lyn Foley  
are respectfully  
invited to attend his  
funeral service to be  
conducted entirely at  
the graveside in the  
Berri Lawn Cemetery  
on Thursday 13  
July, 2023 at 11am.

In lieu of flowers if  
desired, a donation  
to St Catherines in  
Lyn's memory would  
be appreciated.  
Donations may be  
made at the service.

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**KOCH, Judith Dawn**  
(nee Zimmermann).

Family and friends of  
the late Mrs Judith  
Koch are respectfully  
informed that her  
funeral service will  
be conducted at the  
Holy Trinity Lutheran  
Church, Mildura on  
Tuesday 18 July, 2023  
at 10.30am.

At the conclusion of the  
service the cortege will  
proceed to the Murray  
Pine Lawn Cemetery,  
Mildura South.

Please refer to  
"Funerals" at www.  
mcglynnhuntfunerals.  
com.au to leave  
condolences and  
tributes.



**RATHJEN, Eric Arthur.**

Relatives and friends  
are advised that  
Eric's funeral service  
will take place after  
his committal in the  
Cambrai Cemetery.

For those wishing to  
attend, the committal  
will take place on  
Monday 24 July, 2023  
at 9am followed by the  
funeral service in the  
Concordia Lutheran  
Church, Bookpurnong  
Terrace, Loxton at 1pm.

The funeral service  
will be live-streamed  
and available on the  
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**SCHWARZ, Kenneth**  
Gordon.

Family and friends  
are advised Ken's  
funeral will be  
conducted at St Peter's  
Lutheran Church, 64  
Bookpurnong Terrace,  
Loxton on Thursday 13  
July, 2023 at 11am.

Following the  
service the cortege  
will proceed to the  
Bookpurnong Pilgrims  
of Zion Lutheran  
Cemetery, Nitschke  
Road, Bookpurnong for  
the committal.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**FIELKE, Helen.**

9/1/1962 –  
15/7/2022

Loved and missed  
every day.

Barry, Nathan, Erin,  
William, Saxton  
and Evelyn.

**LEHMANN, Melvy.**

11 years Friday that  
we said goodbye.  
Goodbyes are  
not forever,  
Goodbyes are  
not the end.  
They simply mean  
we'll miss you,  
Until we meet again.

See ya Nanna...  
Yep, catch ya.

Forever loved  
and missed.

Rashelle, Colby  
and Haylee.

Dear Mum,  
We can not bring the  
old days back,  
When we were  
all together.  
The world changes  
from year to year,  
Our lives from  
day to day,  
But the love and  
memory I have of you  
will never fade.

Miss you  
so much, Mum.

**RETURN  
THANKS**

**KENYON, Donald**  
Keith.

Lorraine, Darren and  
Lindy, Joy and Brett,  
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support on the death  
of Don.

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**AGM** - The Waikerie Horse and Pony Club Inc. is being held on Sunday, July 30, 2023. Sausage sizzle from 11.30am with AGM at 1pm. Curtis Road clubrooms.



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**LOXTON** - 47 Luther Road. Deceased and moving garage sale - massive. Saturday 15 July, 8am start, no early birds please. Never had a sale in 50 plus years, come and see what's in the shed! All must go, cash only.

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**CONVEYANCER** Cynthia James-Martin. Phone 0419801655.



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Riverland CHURCH NOTICES



**BERRI | BARMERA**

**Sunday 16 July**  
Barmera 9am  
Berri 11am  
Pastor S Trautwein  
All Welcome  
Phone 0493021960

**RENMARK | PARINGA**

**Sunday 16 July**  
Renmark 9am  
Paringa 10.30am HC

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Pastor Roland Adams  
Phone 0460 300 492

**WAIKERIE**

**Sunday 16 July**  
Lowbank 8.45am  
Ramco 8.45am  
Waikerie 10am

All Welcome  
Phone 8541 2689



**Saturday 15 July**

**5pm - Monash St Oswald's**

**Sunday 16 July**

**9am - Barmera St Edmund's**  
**9am - Loxton The Resurrection**  
**11am - Renmark St Augustine's**  
**11am - Waikerie St James**

**Contact:**  
**Fr. David Patterson**  
**8586 3288**

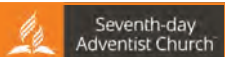


1025 Old Sturt Highway

**Sunday 16 July**  
**10am**

**All Welcome**

**Phone 0419 783 779**



*Riverland*  
19 Sunrise Court, Berri  
Bible Study 10-11am  
Worship every Saturday (Sabbath) Now 11.15am

All Welcome

**Pastor Andy Krause**  
**Ph: 0418 617 582**



**Sunday 16 July**  
**10am**

**Loxton Senior Citizen Hall**  
**25 Tobruk Terrace**

**Ps Red Elliott**  
**0439 507 096**

**Ps Sheryl Giles**  
**0423 884 002**



**Catholic Church Mass Times**

**Our Lady of the River Catholic Parish**

**WEEKS 1, 3 & 5**

**Saturday**  
Morgan 6pm  
Renmark 6.30pm

**Sunday**  
Berri 9am  
Loxton 11am  
Waikerie 11am  
Barmera 6pm

**WEEKS 2 & 4**

**Saturday**  
Waikerie 6pm  
Berri 6.30pm

**Sunday**  
Renmark 9am  
Morgan 9am  
Barmera 11am  
Loxton 6pm



**UNITING CHURCH**

**BERRI / BARMERA**

**Sunday 16 July**  
Sundays at 10am  
Berri, Denny Street  
Barmera, Nookamka Tce  
[berribarmerauca.org.au](http://berribarmerauca.org.au)



**LOXTON**

**Sunday 16 July**  
**10am HC**

**Contact**  
**Rev Linda Forsyth**  
**0401 815 488**

**RENMARK**

**Sunday 16 July**  
**8.30am**  
Renmark West  
10am  
Renmark Avenue

**Rev Linda Forsyth**  
**Phone 0401 815 488**

Volunteers Notice Board FREE SERVICE

Looking for Volunteers?

The Murray Pioneer, can help.

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**ads@murraypioneer.com.au**  
**Fax: 8586 4333**

and we will print your request

**Free of Charge!**

Renmark Paringa Community Museum...

The Museum is looking for volunteers who would be interested in the following roles, for mechanically minded we have 70 vintage engines that need to be run and a few repaired along with general maintenance, gardeners and administration volunteers. Contact Wayne on 0407618311

Loxton Mardi Gras...

Loxton Mardi Gras Inc are seeking the volunteer services of a Secretary. Mentoring will be provided by our Secretary of many years. We are a small committee who will provide help and support when required. Please email [loxtonmardigras@gmail.com](mailto:loxtonmardigras@gmail.com) if you are able to help our 67th Annual Family Festival take place either as Secretary or a committee member or phone Liz 0418 803 650

Wilabalangaloo (Berri Branch of National Trust)

are seeking able bodied volunteers to help with maintaining walking trails, weed control, pest control, revegetation & other projects. If you enjoy the outdoors please contact Gordon on 0427847896 for more information.

The Pines...

Loxton's Historic House and Gardens are looking for volunteer gardeners and tour guides to inform visitors of the amazing history of this beautiful house and gardens built in 1909. Training provided. Contact Helen 0421 601 903.

Meals on Wheels

There's a volunteer in all of us! Meals on Wheels have a variety of volunteering opportunities in kitchen, delivery and administration, at a number of locations across the Riverland. If you have some time to put to good use, please contact Rozz on 0409928248 (or the Renmark kitchen on 85866040) and see if Meals on Wheels tickles your volunteering tastebuds!

Riverland Red Cross...

are looking for volunteer drivers and we would love to hear from you. Please contact Narelle 1800 334 882 or search (Berri <https://volunteering.redcross.org.au>.)



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# PUBLIC NOTICE

## CLAIM GROUP MEETINGS for the FIRST PEOPLES OF THE RIVER MURRAY AND MALLEE REGION #2 NATIVE TITLE CLAIM



South Australian Native Title Services Ltd (SANTS) is facilitating two important meetings of the First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region #2 Native Title Claim Group (SAD184/2019) at the dates, times and location below:

FIRST MEETING:

**When:** Friday 28 July 2023, starting at 11am  
**Location:** St Martins Lutheran Hall, 80 Cliff St, Mannum SA

SECOND MEETING:

**When:** Friday 28 July 2023, starting immediately after the First Meeting; and  
Saturday 29 July 2023, starting at 10am to 3pm  
**Location:** St Martins Lutheran Hall, 80 Cliff St, Mannum SA

Who may attend the first meeting

The first meeting is open to all members of the **First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region #2 Native Title Claim Group (the Claim Group)**, being those Aboriginal people who:

1. Are the biological descents of the following ancestors:

a) “King” John and his wife “Queen” Monarta. Children of this union include Jerry Mason (also known as King Jerry Mason) whose wife was Jinny Christmas (also known as Jenny Christmas);

b) The unnamed mother of Jinny Christmas;

c) Charles Nattoon (also written Netoon, Natoon) whose wife was Lizzie;

d) Annie Disher, the mother of Sam and Richard Disher, including:

i. The children of Sam Disher and Annie Perry; and

ii. The children of Richard Disher and Annie McLean, who was the sister of Jack McLean, and together were the children of John McLean;

e) Tommy Bookmark (also known as Bookmark Tommy) whose known wife was Ellen Bookmark. Children of this union include Mary Jane, who is known to have married George Beck;

f) The unnamed mother of George Lindsay, Bella Lindsay and Ted Lindsay;

g) John Perry;

h) Nelly Perry;

i) Willie Robinson/Scrubber, whose partner was Emily Turvy;

j) James Wanganeen (also known as James Moore);

k) The children of John Mack;

l) The unnamed mother and father of Fanny Pennyfather (also known as Halfpenny);

m) Frank Fletcher and his wife Esther;

n) The children of Winnie Murray (nee Reed);

2. are identified and accepted as **First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region** under traditional law and custom on the basis of descent from a **First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region** person; or

3. are accepted by those listed in paragraph 1 above as being adopted into **First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region** community under traditional law and custom.
- The purpose of the first meeting
- The purpose of the first meeting is to consider a proposal to authorise the Applicant to remove “James Wanganeen (also known as James Moore)” from the Claim Group description in the Form 1 Claimant Application. The removal of James Wanganeen as an apical ancestor is a condition required by the State Government for settling the **First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region #2 Native Title Claim** by consent.
- Who may attend the second meeting
- The second meeting will only take place if the Claim Group agrees to remove James Wanganeen as an apical ancestor. The second meeting will be open to all the members of the Claim Group as described above, **but** amended to remove “James Wanganeen (also known as James Moore)” from the Claim Group description.
- The purpose of the second meeting
- The purpose of the second meeting is to consider proposals to:
1. authorise the Applicant to negotiate with State Government a Consent Determination for the claim that complies with certain key terms of settlement, the details of which will be presented at the meeting;

2. authorise a new Applicant group;

3. nominate a Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) for the native title claim.
- Assistance and registration for the meeting
- Assistance with the travel costs of attending the meetings will be available for Claim Group members in accordance with SANTS Policy. The following chartered bus services are available to all members travelling from Adelaide or the Riverland to Mannum:
- 28 July 2023
1. Depart SANTS at 345 King William Street, Adelaide at **9.30am**

2. Depart Hotel Renmark (Murray Ave) at **8.30am** and Berri Hotel (Riverview Drive) at **8.45am**
- 29 July 2023
1. Depart St Martins Lutheran Hall, Mannum at 3pm, arrive at SANTS 345 King William Street, Adelaide at 4.30pm

2. Depart St Martins Lutheran Hall, Mannum at 3pm, arrive at Berri Hotel (Riverview Drive) at 5.15pm or Hotel Renmark (Murray Ave) at 5.30pm
- Accommodation is available at Mannum for the night of 28 July upon request and subject to availability. Lunch and refreshments will also be provided during the day.
- If you require a seat on one of the abovementioned buses or accommodation at Mannum, we kindly request that you contact Jodie Martin at SANTS on 1800 010 360 or at [JodieM@nativetitlesa.org](mailto:JodieM@nativetitlesa.org). Please contact Jodie to arrange travel assistance **before 19 July 2023**, to ensure we can adequately accommodate your requests.
- ## MAP OF THE FIRST PEOPLES OF THE RIVER MURRAY AND MALLEE REGION #2 NATIVE TITLE CLAIM AREA
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Berri Regional picked up its first win in the boys football over Mount Gambier since 2018 last week. INSET: Berri Regional’s MVPs from the exchange - Abby (left), Chelsea, Ayden, Francesco and Millie. PHOTOS: supplied

# School spirit on full display at BRSC

**BEN LENNON**

AN event allegedly started as an excuse for two mates to catch up, and turned into one of the longest running traditions in South Australia, took place for the 78th time last week and involved one Riverland school.

The final week of term three saw Berri Regional Secondary College travel to Bordertown to take on Mount Gambier High School in a series of sporting contests as part of the annual exchange.

It is one of the most anticipated events on the calendar for students of both schools, but exchange co-ordinator and BRSC teacher Josh Vater said the event wasn’t born out of competition.

“It was set up by two former principals, one from Mount Gambier High and one from what was then Glossop High,” Mr Vater said.

“Basically, the two principals were mates and they wanted an excuse to catch up each year, and I don’t know if this is just folklore or what, but they decided to have their two schools do an exchange.

“We used to billet students as well but then stopped when Covid hit, but we still wanted to keep some kind of connection.

“It’s been going for a long time so this year, not being able to billet, we decided to do a one-day carnival at Bordertown.”

The proceedings kicked off with a virtual debate between the two schools on Tuesday before the on-field action took place on

Wednesday last week.

Mount Gambier took the chocolates in this year’s debate, but BRSC would have its revenge the following day, taking home the sports shield following a 4-3 overall victory.

“It’s a massive day. We get to Bordertown at about 8.30am, so we left at about 5am and then got back at 6.30pm,” he said.

“We won the boys football for the first time since 2018, which was when we last hosted it, and the girls soccer was the final event to finish it off, and we won 8-1 to win the cup.

“We haven’t won the sporting cup since 2018 either.

“Because it’s all open-aged sport, some of the younger ones probably don’t understand it as much, but the buzz around the place after we won was massive.

“We had kids saying ‘I haven’t won since I’ve been here’ and things like that, so it does mean a lot.

“It’s live streamed as well and we pair up the program so the netball and football run at the same time, so if you’re not in those teams you’re watching them.

“Then the soccer and basketball run at the same time, so everyone is over there watching too, so it’s an awesome day.”

The exchange has typically extended beyond the sporting field, with the relationship between the two schools off-field as strong as ever despite billeting complications.

Mr Vater hopes the event can

return to its original format one day because of the strong relationships that are forged through the exchange.

“Ideally we get back to that, but it purely hinges on the school community,” he said.

“We had really low numbers of interest to host at the start of this year for whatever reason, so it won’t return unless there’s some community support to make it happen.

“Both schools are really keen to keep the connection and as much as we play sport and debate, really it’s a cultural exchange.

“There’s heaps of stories of people that are now long-time friends and family friends, and people billeting with the people their parents billeted with.

“There’s even been a couple of marriages I think.

“I struggle to see it getting back to the full billeting, but we’ve compromised to keep the rivalry and connection going.”

## RESULTS

### Debate

MGHS d BRSC.

### Girls

#### Netball A

BRSC 26 lost to MGHS 27.

#### Netball B

BRSC 25 d MGHS 20.

### Basketball

BRSC 26 lost to MGHS 30

### Soccer

BRSC 8 d MGHS 1.

### Boys

#### Football

BRSC 54 d MGHS 30.

### Soccer

BRSC 1 lost to MGHS 2.

### Basketball

BRSC 48 d MGHS 28.



Berri Regional scored a win in the B grade netball but went down to Mount Gambier in the A grade netball.



It was another tight comntest in the girls basketball that saw Mount Gambier run out four-point victors.

# Eagles, Ones the teams to beat in Riverland darts

A PAIR of big wins headlined last week’s Riverland darts results, with the competition’s top two sides further establishing their dominance.

Cobby Eagles continued their hot run of form to take down Expendables 14-1 in a one-sided affair, with some of the Eagles’ heavy hitters

in full flight.

Jeff Broekers and Allen Hargreaves stood tall for the top side, both notching maximum 180s in the win, while Graham Norman was the standout for Expendables.

Meanwhile, R C Ones kept the heat on the ladder leaders with a clean sweep of Lyrup Lion Cubs in a

commanding performance.

Darcy Crane was again on top of his game for the Renmark-based side, picking up a maximum 180 and a high average of 25.05.

Monash Wanderers scored a victory over Lyrup Lionhearts but made hard work of it, struggling on their peg-outs throughout

the evening.

Jason Willett top-scored for the night with a maximum 180, with the Wanderers running out 12-3 victors.

## RESULTS

Cobby Eagles 14 (A. Hargreaves 180, 140, 100 x 3, J. Broekers 180, 121, 114, 100 x 3, N. Peatey 125, 121, 103, D. Coombe 121,

114, 100 x 2, R. Stemp 121, 100 x 4, G. Dyer 127) d Expendables 1 (G. Norman 140 x 2, 122, 100, D. Roessel 134, 127, S. Lockwood 134, 100, A. Barnes 120, 116, 100 x 3, A. Brown 100). R C Ones 15 (D. Crane 180, 140 x 4, 136, 13, 100, L. Rasheed 140, 100, L. Platten 121, 100 x 2, N. Flack 100 x 4, W. Schwartzkopff 100 x 3, C. Wagner 100) d Lyrup Lion Cubs nil (J. Strother 115, 112, B. Kenefick 101, 100, D.

Heinicke 117, D. Strother 109, C. Fletcher 101). Monash Wanderers 12 (J. Willett 180, 140 x 2, 111, 100 x 2, C. Martin 140 x 4, 123, 121, 100 x 5, W. Bonham 140 x 2, 120, 100 x 4, A. Martin 121, 100 x 3, D. Martin 100 x 3, M. Hayes 121, D. Hayes 112, K. Hayes 105) d Lyrup Lionhearts 3 (M. Rechia 125, 116, 100 x 3, R. Burgess 116, 100 x 2, J. Francis 100 x 5, T. Josephs 100 x 2)



# Netty, set, go for Riverland youngsters

**BEN LENNON**

A LONG-standing event on the Riverland netball calendar came to the fore once again last fortnight, with dozens of teams of juniors from across the state taking to the court.

The Loxton Junior Netball Carnival has been a permanent fixture in the Riverland since the 1980s, and current carnival co-ordinator Joanne Hondow has been involved for well over a decade.

Ms Hondow was pleased with the 2023 edition, and said that it was the “biggest carnival to date” for the club.

“Overall we had around 340 players,” Ms Hondow said.

“(A total of...) 176 from the Riverland, 69 from Country SA, 72 from Adelaide and 20 from Interstate,” Ms Hondow said.

“We had 38 teams nominate and unfortunately, due to court capacity, we had to turn a couple of teams away, which was really disappointing.”

“We had three new clubs join us this year in South Mildura, River Murray and the Coorong Cats and it’s always nice to see new teams join our carnival.”

Not only is the event a chance for young netballers to strut their stuff, but it brings a large number of people into the region and Loxton in particular.

“We are estimating approximately 900 to 1000 people attended the day,” Ms Hondow said.

“We had a number of teams and families who booked accommodation and supported local businesses during their stay.”

“We always have people men-

tion what a lovely town we live in, and that they look forward to coming back each year.

“Hopefully this encourages families to come back and holiday in our beautiful region.”

“Loxton is extremely lucky to have The Precinct. It is a wonderful facility to host events such as ours.”

Teams from Loxton, Waikerie and Berri all did well across a number of divisions, but it was the Hills sides that reigned supreme, picking up wins in the under 11s, 13s and 15s.

Ms Hondow thanked the carnival committee for their work in helping the event take place, as well as local business that continue to support the club.

“Nothing was too hard, everyone pitched in and there were plen-



The Hills ran out victorious in all three Loxton Netball Carnival divisions. PHOTO: Facebook

ty of laughs along the way,” Ms Hondow said of the committee.

“We also had the support of the Loxton Netball Club committee, Belgravia, Loxton Waikerie District Council, Loxton Apex Club, Little Miss Daisy, Paul Kaesler and Greg Coombs.

“Seeing the success of the carnival and hearing the thoughtful, positive comments we received makes all the hard work worthwhile.”

Regular programming will resume for Riverland junior netball on Saturday, July 22.



Captains Chris Kropinyeri (left) and Adrian Abdulla Jr exchanged gifts from each club prior to the match.

## NAIDOC week nailbiter

AS the cricket world fixates on a gripping Ashes series, a local club has returned to the pitch, albeit with winter in full swing, to battle it out for a historic shield.

The annual NAIDOC Abdulla-Rankine Shield, contested by Riverland club Gerard and the Ngarrindjeri Swans, took place in Murray Bridge on Saturday, 8 June.

The 20/20 contest has become a permanent fixture on the cricket calendar in recent years, and the 2023 edition served up a nail-biting contest.

The home side won the toss and elected to bat, with Chris Kropinyeri the star of the show, blasting 71 runs as the Swans compiled a respectable total of 113.

Jarrade Abdulla was the pick of the bowlers for the travelling Gerard side, finishing the innings with three wickets to his name.

A shaky start saw the



Gerard Cricket Club contested the Abdulla-Rankine Shield against the Ngarrindjeri Swans last weekend. PHOTO: supplied

Riverland side behind the eightball, before Timmy Abudlla and Jarrade Abdulla combined for a partnership worth over 50 runs.

It came down to the wire, with Gerard losing its final wicket just one run short of the Ngarrindjeri target, finishing the innings on 112.

All-rounder Jarrade Abdulla was named the Abdulla-Rankine Medalist, provided by the SACA, with the state’s governing cricket body also providing a number of giveaways for children in attendance.

The Gerard Cricket Club thanked its players and supporters for making the journey to Murray Bridge, along with the Swans for hosting the day on Ngarrindjeri land.

Gerard will host the 2024 edition of the match.



BACK TO THE FUTURE: The Berri Basketball Club and Berri Netball Club came together to erect a history display earlier this month at the Toyota Arena, showcasing uniforms, photos and trophies from years gone by. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



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2023 AFL FOOTY  
TIPPERS DRAW

Round 18

Points margin in highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday, July 13 at 4pm

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Melbourne		Brisbane Lions	
Collingwood		Fremantle	
Gold Coast Suns		St Kilda	
Carlton		Port Adelaide	
Geelong Cats		Essendon	
Adelaide Crows		GWS Giants	
North Melbourne		Hawthorn	
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T&C'S APPLY

ENTRY LOCATIONS

Renmark Plaza Newsagency  
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Barmera Newsagency  
Loxton Newsagency  
Viewpoint Cafe & Service  
Station, Waikerie  
Murray Pioneer (Renmark)

ROUND 17 RESULTS TOP 100

1. Deb Griffiths ..... (8)106	35. Chris Schutz ..... (8)97	69. Tom Petch ..... (8)91
2. Mark Kilmartin ..... (8)104	36. Michael Grosse ..... (7)97	70. Pat & Ivan Marschall ..... (7)91
3. Duani Vowles ..... (8)103	37. Brayden Coombe ..... (7)97	71. Gwen Webber ..... (7)91
4. Jasmine Harris ..... (8)102	38. Barry Phillips ..... (7)97	72. Jim Baldock ..... (7)91
5. Kathy Richardson ..... (8)102	39. Chris Evans ..... (6)97	73. Yvonne Scutter ..... (6)91
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14. David Brindley ..... (7)100	48. Baker Boys ..... (5)96	82. Melissa Greer ..... (7)88
15. Raelene Schutz ..... (7)100	49. Noah Warner ..... (8)95	83. Graham Gates ..... (7)88
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19. Tony Milgate ..... (8)99	53. Nigel Stoeckel ..... (7)95	87. Geoff Armanini ..... (6)87
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Loxton Olympian Grant Schubert, pictured between brothers Clinton (left) and Daniel following the former Hockeyroo's return to the Riverland on Saturday afternoon. PHOTOS: Deirdre Graham

# Wholesome Loxton hockey homecoming

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A LOCAL legend returned to the region on Saturday afternoon for a true family affair, donning his hometown hockey colours for the first time in a long while.

In town for a pair of family birthdays, Olympic Gold Medallist Grant Schubert got involved in some local hockey action for the Loxton Hockey Club B grade on Saturday afternoon.

"It's school holidays in Perth at the moment, so I just thought it would be a good opportunity to bring my family back to Loxton, and then my little brother asked if I could play a game of hockey," Schubert said.

"I haven't played in two years, so it was a bit tough on the legs, and it's been about 25 years since I have had a hit on grass and not turf.

"It was good fun to get out there and have a run around with my brothers for the first time ever."

Schubert made an impact for the side but failed to steer the Loxtonites to a win over Berri, and brother Daniel even pipped him to best-on-ground honours.

The result was far from the



Schubert in action for the Loxton B grade, who went down to Berri by a goal.

most important thing on the day, as Schubert said he was "just happy to be back home".

"I was obviously really happy to come back to Loxton, where I played all my junior career, and just see the club again and some old faces, and have a run around," he said.

"Loxton is where I began my career at under 11s. I was here until I was 18 and I finished school and that early development playing in the Riverland was the basis of all my career.

"You have probably seen a little bit lately with the old AFL players going back and playing in country leagues and that sort of stuff, so it was good to see a good crowd of the old guys that I used to play with.

"Hopefully I will catch up with a few of them, have a drink and chat about some old times.

Schubert stayed after the match to swap stories with locals and take photos with youngsters in what was a successful day for Riverland hockey.



Schubert was on hand to take photos with locals after the match, including this snap with Loxton junior player Kendall Row (9).

# Loxton star at the double as local hockey continues

A CRUCIAL double from a Loxton star helped secure the points for the home side in last weekend's round of Riverland A grade hockey.

Playing on the grass fields at Loxton, Liam Richardson netted twice to help his side to a 3-1 win over Berri.

He was named best for the home side, while Caleb Schaefer also etched his name onto the scoresheet with a vital goal.

Berri stalwart Brett Stokes was the lone goalscorer for his side, while goalkeeper Jason Bowers was named

best for the visitors.

Waikerie completed a 7-0 rout of Renmark in the reserves, while Berri out-scored Loxton by a goal in a thrilling contest, with Olympian Grant Schubert in action for the losing side.

Meanwhile, Berri comfortably defeated Renmark in the women's A grade, with a Maddy Watkins hat-trick helping inspire an 8-0 win.

Renmark scored an impressive 1-0 win over Loxton in a close encounter in the B grade, while

Waikerie secured the points in the girls under 18s.

## RESULTS

### MEN

#### A GRADE

**Loxton 3 d Berri 1.**

Best: Loxton - L. Richardson, H. Button, C. Schaefer. Berri - J. Bowers, W. Stokes, T. Gollan. Z. Heinrich.

#### B GRADE

**Waikerie 7 d Renmark 0.**

Best: Waikerie - C. Willoughby, B. Kroehn, C. Thiele, A. Nitschke. Renmark - T. Berends, D. Cabucos, T. Heimann, D. Grenfell. Goals: Waikerie - C. Willoughby 4, M. Wenske 2, B. Kroehn. **Berri 5 d Loxton 4.** Best: Berri - R. Vallenga, Z.

Arruzollo, D. Heuzenroeder, J. Passmore. Loxton - D. Schubert, G. Schubert, T. Schubert, C. Schubert.

Goals: Berri - M. O'Callaghan 2, C. Hayer, J. Bowers, A. Segue. Loxton - D. Schubert, G. Schubert, T. Schubert, K. Burgemeister.

#### UNDER 18

**Waikerie 1 drew with Berri 1.**

Best: Waikerie - Z. Plantado, C. Gogoll, C. Thiele. Berri - D. Schmidt, Z. Heinrich, I. Schaefer, C. Hennig, S. Martin. Goals: Waikerie - C. Thiele. Berri - H. Martin.

#### WOMEN

#### A GRADE

**Berri 8 d Renmark 0.**

Best: Berri - M. Watkins, M. Martin, H. Crowhurst. Renmark - L. Hoffmann, A. Schubert, B.

Newmarch, K. Pick. Goals: Berri - M. Watkins 3, D. O'Callaghan 2, A. Herbert, H. Crowhurst, M. Martin.

#### B GRADE

**Renmark 1 d Loxton 0.**

Best: Renmark - A. Cordy, P. Richardson, L. Hoffmann, K. Barton. Loxton - B. Geraghty, R. McDonald, C. Marchant, B. Knowles.

#### UNDER 18

**Waikerie 3 d Berri 1.**

Best: Waikerie - J. Kroehn, E. Kratopoulos, S. Kroehn. Berri - A. Kennedy, A. Dale, M. Stokes, O. Vallenga, C. Camilleri. Goals: Waikerie - J. Kroehn, S. Kroehn, E. Kratopoulos. Berri - A. Herbert.

#### MIXED

#### UNDER 14

**Waikerie 1 drew with Berri 1.**

Best: Waikerie - E. Kratopoulos, S. Coote, L. Lawson. Berri - L. Gray, D. Schmidt, A. Dale, H. Martin. Goals: Waikerie - A. Edwards. Berri - W. Stokes.

#### UNDER 12

**Berri Red 3 d Waikerie 0.**

Best: Berri Red - S. Coote, A. Bowers, G. Boon, J. Boon. Waikerie - J. Isaacson, E. Ahmed, M. Palin.

Goals: Berri Red - A. Bowers, S. Coote, J. Boon. **Berri Blue 8 d Loxton 0.** Best: Berri Blue - A. Walkley, C. Camilleri, H. Martin, C. Camilleri. Loxton - T. Burgemeister, R. Geraghty, E. Waters, K. Row. Goals: Berri Blue - C. Camilleri 4, A. Walkley 2, H. Martin, C. Camilleri.



# Tiger tales told at East Murray

A GATHERING at a former Riverland football club has been deemed “nothing short of magnificent” by the event’s chief organiser.

Upwards of 150 people attended the ‘last drinks’ of the East Murray Tigers on Saturday afternoon, with a club stalwart in awe of the turnout.

“I was quite shocked to arrive there at 3pm and the car park was already full,” event co-ordinator Fred Zadow said.

“I think we fed about 140, including the kids, and had about 20 walk-ins that just came for the entertainment, so around 160 through the gate.”

The festivities involved plenty of story swapping from past players and club stalwarts, with the netball faction of the club also on hand to celebrate its storied history.

Zadow himself played the role of host in an on-the-couch style interview with a number of the club’s most famous names.

“The on-the-couch segment was extremely well received,” he said.

“It kept the crowd entertained and we went through the generations from where it started to where it finished.

“I interviewed my father, Colin Zadow, Dave Francis, one of our most decorated players, as well as Peter Lines and Damian Berger, and the girls did a bit of a session as well and celebrated



Premiership players from both the football and netball factions of the club gathered to relive cherished memories.

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their milestones.”

The club last took to the field in 2013 and a return to the playing arena remains unlikely, but for Zadow, being able to reminisce with some familiar faces made the effort of putting on the event worthwhile.

“It was very well received and I saw some people I hadn’t seen in an extremely long time,” he said.

“It makes it all worthwhile when the people come.

“We had quite a number of apologies, so there would’ve been another dozen or so there if it was possible.

“An acknowledgement has to go to Brenton Henschke and his band of helpers from the Wunkar Football Club.

“The meal was magnificent and the two lads sat in that bar for eight hours.”

The club now returns to its relatively inactive status, but with a “parcel of funds” still remaining, Zadow is hopeful more events will occur in the future that bring the East Murray community together.



Father and son duo Colin (right) and Fred Zadow entertained the crowd at the recent East Murray Tigers ‘last drinks’ event. PHOTOS: supplied



# Renmark Olympic on the rise

THE balance of power in the Riverland soccer men’s division has shifted after a blockbuster weekend last time out.

Renmark’s 5-0 rout of Loxton was enough to bring Olympic into pole position on the table, after Berri scored a shock result against Barmera.

The reigning champs were down 3-1 in the second half, before two late goals rescued a result for the Pelicans, but the singular point failed to keep the side in top spot.

Renmark’s eighth win of the season sees them move into first, two points clear of the Pelicans with four rounds remaining in the regular season.

Talisman Chris Miller starred, netting a hat-trick in the win over Loxton, while Callum Lechie-Hefford was also named in the best players.

Meanwhile, Renmark’s women’s side also secured a win, defeating Loxton 3-1 thanks to three individual goalscorers in Maggie Lock, Angela Pavlomanolakos and Jasmun Kahlon.

A Matilda Mitchell hat-trick helped Barmera to victory over Berri, with the Pelicans still the team to beat in 2023.

Meanwhile, Renmark and Berri both picked up comfortable wins in the under 16s, while five goals to Anwen Dalzeil helped Loxton to victory in the under 14 girls.

## RESULTS MEN

**Renmark 5 d Loxton 0.**  
Best: Renmark – C. Miller, C. Lechie-Hefford. Loxton – C. Mitchell, N. Mitchell-Cocks.  
Goals: Renmark – C. Miller 3, D. Clark, G. Tsolomitis.  
**Barmera 3 drew with Berri 3.**  
Best: Barmera – N. Boucher, J. Tsonis. Berri – M. Eleftheriadis,

F. Vallelonga.  
Goals: Barmera – J. Tsonis, J. Wallace, K. Zois. Berri – M. Cawse, C. Ebert, D. Greer.

## WOMEN

**Renmark 3 d Loxton 1.**  
Best: Renmark – J. Kahlon, K. Whiting. Loxton – all played well.  
Goals: Renmark – J. Kahlon, M. Lock, A. Pavlomanolakos. Loxton – M. Greer.  
**Barmera 3 d Berri 0.**  
Best: Barmera – S. Lees, M. Munchenberg. Berri – R. Hronopoulos, R. Kenefick.  
Goals: Barmera – M. Mitchell 3.

## UNDER 16

**Renmark 8 d Loxton 0.**  
Best: Renmark – details not provided. Loxton – N. Mitchell-Cocks, J. Bertram.  
Goals: Renmark – H. Dedes 3, G. Tsolomitis 2, N. Meimetis, N. Burgess, B. Lock.  
**Berri 2 d Barmera 0.**  
Best: Berri – A. Lange, C. Vallelonga. Barmera – C. van der Woude, G. Patsis.  
Goals: Berri – C. Vallelonga 2.

## UNDER 14 GIRLS

**Loxton 6 d Renmark 1.**  
Best: Loxton – E. Tsakarellos, A. Dalzeil. Renmark – S. Pitman, S. Searle.

Goals: Loxton – A. Dalzeil 5, C. Formby. Renmark – M. Lock.  
**Berri 1 d Barmera 0.**  
Best: Berri – R. Wishart, G. Kaur. Barmera – A. Perry, A. Martin.  
Goals: Berri – N. Koutouzis.

## UNDER 14

**Renmark 10 d Loxton 1.**  
Best: Renmark – N. Meimetis, J. Hoffmann. Loxton – J. Ingerson, S. Perre.  
Goals: Renmark – N. Meimetis 5, J. Cartwright, J. Curtis 2, D. Kernich. Loxton – L. Perram.  
**Berri 3 d Barmera 0.**  
Best: Berri – D. Heuzenroeder, A. Kent. Barmera – A. Liddell, J. Doupis.  
Goals: Berri – D. Heuzenroeder 2, Z. Hronopoulos.

## UNDER 12

**Loxton 4 d Renmark 3.**  
Best: Loxton – B. Perram, H. Lynch. Renmark – R. Maywald, J. Clark.  
Goals: Loxton – H. Lynch, L. Perram, H. Turner, S. Williams. Renmark – R. Maywald 3.  
**Barmera 2 drew with Berri 2.**  
Best: Barmera – L. Bascomb, Y. Kalogerias. Berri – J. Endermann, C. Kregar.  
Goals: Barmera – Y. Kalogerias, K. Sweet. Berri – C. Kregar 2.



Renmark junior Lachlan Keynes featured prominently in the SA Country under 16s side that finished second at a recent national tournament. PHOTO: Facebook

# Riverland’s best on the big stage

A PAIR of Riverland basketballers have spent the past fortnight testing themselves against the nation’s best as part of a national carnival.

Bailey Hahn and Lachlan Keynes travelled to Western Australia with the South Australian Country sides to contest the 2023 National Championships.

Hahn played point guard for the girls’ side that bowed out in the earlier stages of the tournament, while Keynes and the boys came close to a memora-

ble victory.

The side won its way through the pool games before finding itself up against Victoria Metro in the grand final.

The two sides traded buckets down the stretch, but the Victorians eventually proved too strong for their SA opponents.

Keynes played a vital role in the side’s silver medal run, scoring over seven points-per-game en route to the final and averaging over five rebounds.



Renmark-born Georgie Pater (left) has been selected as one of five train-on players with Port Adelaide's AFLW side for the upcoming months. PHOTO: supplied



# Pater headed for the top, top, top

A FOOTBALLING journey that started in the Riverland has landed a former Renmark star a spot on an AFLW training list for the coming months.

Renmark-born Georgie Pater has been selected as one of five SANFLW stars set to join Port Adelaide as a train-on player, as the club builds towards its second season in the AFLW.

Pater's selection comes off the back of her most consistent season in the SANFLW to date for West Adelaide, with the 20-year-old featuring in nine games for the Bloods.

The Port Adelaide selection will see her train with the Power once per week and take part in practice matches against the Crows reserves in the next few weeks.

Pater was "excited" for her first training with the squad, which took place last week.

"I was pretty nervous when I first went out there but the girls are so welcoming and super chill, so it was easy to slip right in," she said.


"It wasn't surreal until I was out there and I realised 'oh I'm training with the AFLW right now'.

"It was a hard session, like 11km or something and it was a three-hour training so it was pretty hefty, but it was good."

West Adelaide has struggled for wins in recent SANFLW seasons, something Pater hopes to rectify in 2024.

Pater is looking to learn as much as she can in her time with Port Adelaide,

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and take as much knowledge as she can back to the Bloods.

"I'm definitely looking at the professionalism side of things, as well as leadership on and off the field," she said.

"Hopefully I can take that back to West Adelaide and help them. We've had a couple of bad seasons so hopefully I can take the leadership back and help them improve.

"I started in under 16s there and then progressed into the senior side.

"I wasn't playing any league games until last year, and I was still in and out of the team, but then I solidified my spot this year."

Playing predominantly off the half back flank, Pater averaged over 10 disposals-per-game in the 2023 season, running at 72-per-cent disposal efficiency for the year.

Utilising her height, Pater took over three marks-per-game and was able to help the Bloods launch into attack from defence.

Her stellar season also earned her a spot in the under 23 state side, rewarding her continued effort over a number of years.

"When the women's competition started up in Renmark I was in the midfield because I was a bit fitter and

mum was coaching, so she would just chuck me wherever I was needed," she said.

"I had one season up forward at Westies and the rest has been in the backline.

"This year was one of my best years at Westies and I've definitely improved over the years."

Pater is midway through completing the final year of an agricultural science degree, having moved to the city to undertake her studies after growing up in Renmark.

A lot has changed in the Riverland women's footy landscape since she left, and Pater believes the future looks bright for the region, with some promising youngsters coming through.

"You go back to the days where you had to play in a boy's league and you couldn't play under 18s," she said.

"Now there's a women's competition, so that's pretty cool to see and you get future stars like Molly Petersen and Sarah Campbell coming through.

"It's very good to have it up there now and every girl should take the opportunity to play in that league, and Westies will look after you and point you in the right direction."

Pater said her "ultimate goal" was to make it into the AFLW, with time on her side as the women's draft has seen players drafted well into their 30s in the past.

She is hopeful the train-on selection can help get her "foot in the door" when it comes time for AFLW sides to take on new players.

# Spirited Superdogs clash

ROUND seven saw Riverland Superdogs host the Great Southern Superjets at Lyrup.

The Superjets arrived with a strong line-up and kicked the day off in great spirits, with a donation of footballs to the Riverland team after hearing of the recent break in.

The Riverland again had to field an undermanned side but still managed to have quality well spread across all lines.

The first quarter had the SuperJets running over the top of the Superdogs early on, getting some quick scores on the board.

Late arrivals of players for the Riverland team proved vital to even up the contest.

A late long goal from Mick Foster proved to be the only score for the Superdogs at quarter time, while the SuperJets managed four goals for the term.

The Superdogs went out with a renewed focus and up against a much larger ruck, Greg Schloithe was giving a contest, allowing the midfielders in Dale Lellmann, Chris Minnerds and Matt Recchia to go to work and get on top in the clearances.

Mick Foster capitalised on the ball being forward with strong contested marking and ending the quarter with three goals.

The third quarter had both teams settle in for tight contest.

The backline was well served by Stan Lowcock,

along with the support of Darren Tieste, who was like a lightweight winning a heavy-weight battle in defence.

The Dogs began to hit a groove, with strings of play fluently moving the ball from deep in defence to the forward line, resulting in three goals for the quarter and some of the best ball movement of the year.

The first three quarters of free-flowing football were played at a great pace that started to take a toll on the players.

This shifted the focus to winning the contested football and surging the ball forward for field position, with Ian Forsyth working his way into great areas to provide a strong target along the half forward line and providing a link up for the midfield to the forward line.

The Dogs fought the game out valiantly, but the numbers caught up with the Dogs, with the SuperJets getting a hard-fought win.

The game was overall very competitive and played in great spirits with both teams and all players walking off the ground having a great hit out and enjoyable day.

The Dogs are in action again this Sunday at Lyrup Oval from 1pm against Pooraka.

**RESULTS**  
**Superjets 14.7 (91) d Riverland 8.6 (54).**  
Best: M. Foster, D. Lellmann, R. Romeo, D. Kennedy, C. Minnerds, D. Tieste.  
Goals: M. Foster 5, G. McDonnoll, D. Lellmann, J. Butson.

**RIVERLAND GOLF RESULTS**

**LOXTON**  
**Monthly Medal**  
Men: A grade – D. Tyler, G. MacInnes 72, A. Lodge 72. B grade – S. Polymiadis 73, G. Polymiadis 73, B. Semmler 74.  
Women: S. Grein 72, C. Arndt 73, M. Tyler 74.  
**Wednesday, July 5**  
Men: A grade – M. Howie (Berri) 38, K. Martin 37, S. Palat 37, P. Morris 37. B grade – B. Skinner 35, A. Hucks 35, S. Smart (Barmera) 34, M. Cash 33.  
Women: L. Rowe 31, S. Grein 31, M. Thomson 29.  
**Friday, July 7**  
Men: A. Hume (+2) 33, A. Lodge 29, P. Morris 28.  
**Saturday, July 8**  
A grade: A. Pfeiler 34, H. Kara-Ali 34, K. Martin 34, H. Brown 33.  
B grade: M. Cash 36, T. Williamson 35, C. Harman 35.  
**BERRI**  
**Wednesday, July 5**  
Stableford: W. Adams 36, L. Campbell 36, R. Keightley 34, W. Hocevar 34, S. May 33, S. Schloithe 32.  
**Saturday, July 8**  
Monthly Medal: S. Breakwell 70, N. Flack 70, M. Hughes 71, A. Wade 72, L. Campbell 72, M. Boon 73, P. Mudge 73, G. Leyson 73, R. Knight 73, D. Gregoric 74, R. Day 75.  
Ladies Medal: E. Hughes 62, M. Hughes 65, AM. Crease 79.  
**Sunday, July 9**  
Stableford: G. Tognon 34, M. Kubank 34, M. Kosturjak 33.

# Swans storied history on show

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A LOCAL football club is set to showcase its history in front of past players and sponsors at a special event on Saturday afternoon.

This weekend's Murray Valley Football Netball League fixtures sees Paringa host Brown's Well, with the Swans donning a club-favourite heritage guernsey with a storied past.

Past players and sponsors are encouraged to come down to the oval and cheer on the current day Swans, who will be plying their trade in a guernsey that has a remarkable history.

The red-collared white strip dates back to the 1960s, and was passed onto the Riverland

club by a legend of the game and a South Melbourne/Sydney Swans stalwart.

"It's important for the club that we celebrate that we started in 1960 with a guernsey that was given to us by the South Melbourne footy club," club president Kevin Eckermann said.

"Peter Frankcom knew Bobby Skilton pretty well, so he rang him up and told him they were starting a new club called the Swans that was going to be red and white and he asked if Bobby could help them out.

"Bobby said 'no worries I'll arrange it and get you a set of guernseys', and that's how it all started, which is why it's so special to those that wore it."

The club is hoping for a strong number of supporters in attendance as the side aims to pull off an upset against the high-flying Bombers.

"It's really important to us and we're keen to get as many people there as we can," Mr Eckermann said.

"It should be a pretty good game and I think we should give Brown's Well a run for its money.

"We're getting close to our best team together and they're playing a bit better.

"It's great to have the sponsors and past players there, and I know they'll all be reminiscing when they have a look at the white guernsey, and all the current players realise the significance of it."



Paringa will once again don its heritage guernsey this weekend, when the Swans take on Brown's Well in front of a crowd of past players and sponsors. PHOTO: Facebook



# Beauty and the East

FOR the first time in 15 years, the SA Country Football Championship belongs, in part, to the Riverland, with three of the region's finest helping Eastern Zone to a drought-breaking win last weekend in the Barossa.

The victorious Eastern Zone side, made up of players from the Riverland Football League, the Hills Football League and River Murray Football league, conquered all before it on Saturday afternoon before taking down Central in Sunday's grand final.

The championship win was the first in Eastern Zone's history, and the second time the Riverland has been part of a victorious team, with the Murray Mallee side emerging on top at Barmera in 2008.

Renmark duo Zac Gartery and Dan Woolford featured prominently across the two-day competition, as did Barmera-Monash skipper Sam Butterworth.

The Roos' skipper said the trio "all contributed in their own ways", and was delighted with the record-breaking win, crediting a team-first mentality as the catalyst for victory.

"We hadn't had more than one win at the carnival in about 10 years or something, so to come out on top, especially probably not getting a big wrap going in...", he said.

"It's a funny thing because sometimes it just clicks straight away.

"It has to happen quickly in this case because we only really had two trainings and then we played, and not everyone makes the trainings, so it was pretty incredible really."

Butterworth plays a key role in the Roos' midfield on a weekly basis in the RFL, but was used across the half backline by Eastern coach Adam Klun during the carnival.

Despite going from being one of the star players back home to more of a role player in the zone side, Butterworth said he aimed to approach his football the same way as he always does.

"I think you still try and play the same style of footy because that's how you play your best footy," he said.

"You probably don't have to work as hard, but you get the same amount of footy because purely due to the talent and skill level out there, you know it's going to work out most of the time.

"It costs you a lot quicker if

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you do stuff up as well, though. If you're playing backlines and you miss a mark or a kick or whatever, it can get kicked over your head pretty quickly."

Klun was impressed with all three of the Riverland's representatives, with Gartery in particular catching his eye across the weekend.

"He was our number one ruckman, and to be honest he could have easily been in the team of the carnival," Klun said of the Renmark star.

"He did not lose many hit outs and we used him as our main ruckman."

Woolford's attack on the football also stood out to Klun, who was named Coach of the Carnival following his side's victory.

"There were times when he won the footy in a pack, that you didn't think he would win," he said of Woolford.

"He is just tough over the footy, and definitely played his part.

"Sam (Butterworth) played mainly on the half back flank and was excellent.

"He defended really hard, he used the ball well, he was composed, and he had an excellent carnival too."

Meanwhile, the Eastern Zone women's side went down in a nailbiting grand final contest, also against Central Zone, after winning the two qualification games on Saturday.

The side, featuring Riverlanders Faith Violet-Morgan, Amy Shapley, Kayla Mudge and Sarah Campbell, fell just three points short of Central in the decider.

Shapley kicked three majors in the win over Northern in the second game of the carnival, with Campbell named among Eastern's best players in the same match.

The quartet featured prominently in the side, which played prior to the Eastern men's match on both days.

Butterworth was impressed with what he saw from the women's side and cited the format of the competition, which sees teams play two halves-per-game on Saturday and four-quarter matches on Sunday, as a potential hurdle.

"Luckily they were before us



Riverland trio Dan Woolford (left), Zac Gartery and Sam Butterworth helped the Eastern Zone side to a historic Country Championships victory last weekend. PHOTOS: SANFL/Peter Argent



The Eastern Zone women's side, including Riverlanders Amy Shapley, Sarah Campbell, Kaylee Mudge and Faith Violet-Morgan, pieced together an impressive tournament, finishing second overall.



Amy Shapley booted three goals in East's second match of the carnival. PHOTO: Mark Liebich



Renmark star Zac gartery dominated in the ruck for East across the two-day carnival. PHOTO: SANFL/Peter Argent

every game we had, so we got to watch some of it," he said.

"In the final they must've done pretty well.

"We went in for our pre-game stuff and they were down by a couple of goals, and when we came

out they were level-pegged with the other team.

"I think they just had some good parts and bad parts, and I think that comes down a bit to only playing halves on the Saturday, where if

you start well you normally go on to win it, compared to the four quarters on the Sunday."

Photos from the junior inter-league carnival, also held at the Barossa, will be included in next week's Murray Pioneer.

Barmera-Monash skipper Sam Butterworth is hopeful more RFL players put their hand up to play representative footy in the future. PHOTO: SANFL/Peter Argent.



## Other RFL stars set to pick up the Zone?

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IN the wake of Eastern Zone's history-making Country Championships win, one RFL star has put the call out to others to join the cause in the years to come.

Barmera-Monash skipper Sam Butterworth played a key role for the victorious Eastern side, alongside two fellow Riverland representatives in Zac Gartery and Dan Woolford of Renmark.

Butterworth, who has represented Eastern on three occasions now, hopes

a stronger Riverland contingent will feature in the future.

"I thrive off of playing this sort of footy and to get the result we did was amazing," he said.

"I think with us winning, it might push a few other blokes to get involved because the Riverland has so much to offer.

"There's a few of us having a crack at it, but it would be amazing to see more.

"I think River Murray had about half of the side, so you want a good repre-

sentation from your league.

"It'd be good to bring our best of the best to the park and see what we could do."

The return of the Riverland-only Interleague side earlier this year sparked a renewed interest in representative football that had been lacking during the years of the combined Riverland-Mallee side.

Now, the stage is set for greater representation in the years to come from what is one of the strongest and oldest country football leagues in the state.



# Indigenous match to headline RFL return

FOLLOWING a successful 2022 edition, the Riverland will once again celebrate Indigenous culture in the wake of NAIDOC week, with Berri and Barmera-Monash set to contest an Indigenous Round match this Saturday in the RFL.

Players will don Indigenous guernseys and take part in a smoking ceremony prior to the match.

At the end of the contest, the winner will receive a trophy, and best-on-ground medals will be presented to each team.

The result of the match will have major consequences on the RFL A grade ladder, as competition resumes following the second bye of the home and away season.

Just five rounds of action remain, with Berri still rooted to the bottom of the table having gone winless across the opening 10 rounds of the season.



This year's event will see players wear guernseys specifically designed for the occasion.

The Roos, who host the Demons on Saturday, sit in fourth spot currently, equal on points with third-placed Renmark.

A grand final rematch awaits the Rovers, with the reigning

premiers set to travel to Waikerie in the match of the round on Saturday.

Meanwhile, Loxton welcomes the high-flying Loxton North, as the Tigers look to get their season back on track.



Berri and Barmera-Monash will once again take part in an Indigenous Round match - a tradition that returned to the RFL last year. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



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The victorious Eastern Zone side, made up of players from the Riverland Football League, the Hills Football League and River Murray Football league, conquered all before it on Saturday afternoon before taking down Central in Sunday’s grand final.  
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