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Looking forward to the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival later this year are Barmera's Vi Johnson, and Glenys and Graham Matthews. Mrs Johnson, 95, regularly helps out at her daughter and son-in-law's garden. PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson

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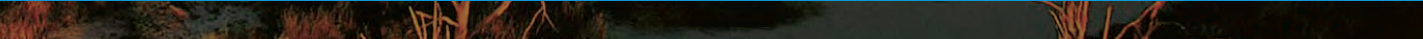
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A photograph showing a body of water with a prominent green algal bloom in the foreground. The water is calm, reflecting the surrounding environment. In the background, there are reflections of trees and buildings along the shoreline. The algal bloom is a dense, green layer on the water's surface, with some darker patches visible beneath it.

Blue-green algae is expected to reach South Australia in the coming days. FILE IMAGE

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“While council is reducing the rate in the dollar, most property types will still experience a small increase in council rates which is broadly in line with inflation.”

The overall rate increase across all rateable properties is around

4.7 per cent, slightly above the current inflation rate of 3.6 per cent, but well below the total valuation increase of 13.82 per cent.

The soaring valuations meant council needed to reduce its rate in the dollar to keep rate rises down, with a blanket 8 per cent cut employed across all land use codes.

Mr Pfeiffer said despite reducing the rate in the dollar, other savings would help rein in council spending in 2024/25.

“Council was initially projecting an operating deficit of \$669,000,” he said.

“(However), instead of further raising rates, this has been addressed through making savings, which has reduced the projected deficit to \$216,000.”

Council has sent its draft annual business plan out for public consultation, after the document was discussed at last week’s monthly meeting.

“A key focus of Berri Barmera Council in 2024/25 will be accelerating flood recovery works, whilst delivering essential capital works and providing high-quality services for its residents and rate-payers,” Mr Pfeiffer said.

“Council is currently undertaking a range of advocacy actions in relation to the wine industry and has also resolved to increase the value of the rate remission for wine grape-growing properties in 2024/25, with clearer eligibility criteria.”



● Tim Pfeiffer

General rates raised in 2024/25 are estimated to be \$10.036 million, or just over 73 per cent of council’s operating revenue.

In its draft document, council says its plan was influenced by a long list of factors, including the downturn in the wine grape sector, the additional staffing needed to comply with increased statutory requirements, increased regulatory standards such as workplace safety, and the higher cost of goods and services like electricity, insurance, waste management and other operating expenses.

It also notes ongoing economic effects of the 2022/23 River Murray flood.

Employee costs are proposed to increase by \$610,000 in 2024/25 to a total of \$6.428 million.

The draft plan also outlines details of projects to be delivered in the coming financial year, including those that will carry over to 2025/26 and beyond.

The plan is out for public consultation for 21 days from today.



China no wine industry saviour, says MP Pasin

SUGGESTIONS China’s removal of tariffs on Australian wine will rescue the industry, including ailing Riverland growers, have been described as “gross dishonesty or rampant ignorance” by a local MP.

Speaking in Federal Parliament on Monday, Barker MP Tony Pasin accused the government of failing to support the industry and misleading growers into “believing their future lies in the wine markets of China”.

“The reality is that the current surplus of Australia wine is about 10 times what we sold to China pre the Covid peak, and the market today is very different than it was then,” Mr Pasin said.

“Wine consumption in China is about half what it was pre-Covid – in fact, around the world there are

fewer drinkers and they’re drinking less wine.

“The Australian wine industry can’t trade its way out of this crisis.”

Referencing the Riverland, Mr Pasin accused Agriculture Minister Murray Watt of ignoring the industry’s call for assistance.

“The minister doesn’t even know the calls exist,” Mr Pasin claimed.

“The government has not only hamstrung an industry that wants to move forward sustainably but turned its back on regional communities like those in the Riverland.”

In an opinion piece in today’s Murray Pioneer, Mr Pasin asked for Mr Watt and Prime Minister Anthony Albanese to “drop the spin and help our wine grape growers now”.

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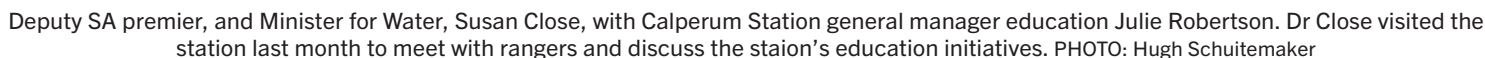
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Call for local gardens come October festival

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

KEEN local gardeners are being urged to consider opening their pride and joy to the public for a Riverland festival’s special milestone later this year.

In October, the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival will celebrate its 30th anniversary and committee member Graham Matthews encouraged locals to take part.

“If you are proud of your garden, show it to other people,” he said.

“It’s an important year being the anniversary.”

Mr Matthews, together with his wife, Glenys, began developing their Barmera garden about six years ago.

“We opened the garden for the first time in 2018,” Mr Matthews said.

The couple has since opened their garden, known as Nookamka Gardens, four more times and are looking forward to this year’s festival.

“Every year, people come back to see what you’ve done,” Mr Matthews said.

“You get to share ideas and plants.

“When people come, they ask, ‘Can I have a cutting of this and can I have a cutting of that?’”

Mr Matthews said the benefit of opening up your garden included team work and setting goals.

“There’s always stuff you want to get finished before an open,” he said.

“I come up with an idea and then bounce it off Glen.

“We always work together. That’s part of it.”

The couple are also assisted by Glenys’ mother, Vi Johnson.

Mr Matthews said it was a misconception that gardens should be in pristine condition and completed to open up to the public.

“People say, ‘It’s a lot of work’,” he said.

“We will spend six to eight weeks beforehand making sure the weeds are done and the beds are re-mulched so it looks right.

“But if there’s a weed, who cares?

“Although some visitors point them out.”

This year’s festival will take place from Friday 18 October to Sunday 27 October.

Interested gardeners will need to register interest by early August.

For more information about opening up your garden as part of the festival, visit the website (riverlandrosesandgardens.com.au), or call Michelle Dominic on 0419 421 594.



Glenys and Graham Matthews’ Nookamka Gardens in Barmera will open up again later this year as part of the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival’s 30th anniversary.
PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson



Riverland residents whose homes were impacted by the 2022/23 River Murray flood event are still able to access Recovery Pods. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Recovery Pods still available for flood recovery

RIVERLANDERS whose homes were impacted by the River Murray flood event can still access Recovery Pods.

SA Minister for Housing and Urban Development Nick Champion said the pods keep users closer to home as their permanent residences are rebuilt or repaired.

“These Recovery Pods will help property owners and their families to rebuild after the River Murray floods, and make it possible for people to remain on their property as they do so,” Mr Champion said.

“We know that commuting daily to a property from rental accommodation or staying with relatives while rebuilding is both costly and time-consuming, so these pods provide a short-term living solution to make a difficult time a bit easier.”

The pods – made from converted shipping containers – are fully self-contained, equipped with a water tank, and operate on mains power with a back-up generator.

They include a toilet and shower, a small kitchen with a fridge, plus up to four internal beds.

Federal Minister for Emergency Management Murray Watt said providing “targeted support” was key for those still recovering from the flood event.

“Our Governments are continuing to work together to get these pods to families that need them to support their current phase of recovery,” Mr Watt said.

“We’re pleased to support this request from the Malinauskas Government and I hope it provides some much-needed peace of mind and assists families to rebuild.

“I’d encourage any landowners who would benefit from the program to get in contact.”

To be eligible for a Recovery Pod, a recipient must be the owner of land where their principal place of residence has been destroyed or is uninhabitable.

They must also demonstrate the capacity to rebuild or repair their home and commence the rebuild process within 12 months of receiving a Recovery Pod.

For further information on the Recovery Pod application process please email (emergencyrelief@sa.gov.au).

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

The rate balancing act

THE month of June traditionally provides regional newspapers with go-to front page stories about a topic important to every household in the local area: council rates.

Recent issues of The Murray Pioneer have not deviated from this path. We’ve seen announcements of proposed increases of 8.54 per cent for Mid Murray Council, 3.5 per cent for Loxton Waikerie, and now 5.68 per cent for Berri Barmera residential properties.

Nobody could be blamed for feeling a little nervous about increases to their council rates this year, with everyone carrying a bit more economic weight from high energy bills, or fuel and food costs.

What has been positive to see is that those cost-of-living pressures are in the minds of local council staff and elected members. All three Riverland councils seem aware of the impacts higher rate bills will have on households across their communities, and are attempting to keep rises to minimal levels.

Further afield, Mid Murray Council is contending with some other economic challenges, including ongoing effects from the 2022-23 flood, but is still sending out a strong message that community sustainability is a priority.

What council decision-makers cannot stop though, particularly in the current climate of demand, is increasing property valuations. Although reflective of the ongoing growth of Riverland communities, the skyrocketing valuations are the main driver behind rate increases.

The reasoning behind the increase does not prevent the bills from coming, however, and any further additions to household expenses will be felt on some level. How will the region’s wine grape growers, already being pushed to the financial brink, handle this year’s rate increases? Will the impacts also extend to local businesses?

It remains up to councils to ensure the costs of growing the community do not overwhelm its residents.



Celebrating Pyap’s 100th year, 1894 to 1994. Thirty years ago (15 May 1994) the Pyap-New Residence Centenary Celebrations were held at Pyap’s Horse and Pony Club Ground. The day included a pooled luncheon and a bus tour of Pyap. Event organisers, locals Bruce Tonkin, Nola Schulz, Nikki Voigt, Noelene Milich and Maureen Rosenzweig, and the Pyap community, welcomed 250 visitors that day. A photograph and memorabilia display was assembled and a Historical Record publication was on sale. Former teacher Arthur Riggall supplied photographs he had taken in the mid-1930s, when he and wife Gwen rode the paddle steamer on their travel from Adelaide to Pyap. Sixty years later (1994), aged 87, he returned for the event. He recalled his three years (1935-1937) at the New Residence School teaching primary and secondary students, enduring freezing classrooms, drought and isolation. Descendants of the first families to arrive at the New Residence Village Settlement included the Ziersch family four generations since 1900. Other locals pictured in The Loxton News (Vol 35: 7, 18 May 1994) included Leo Arnold, Betty Roberts, Anne Bormann, Gloria Milich, Laurie Arnold, Ethel Kassulke, Hilda Reimann, Peg Ziersch and Marj Schmidtke. PHOTOS: Celebratory name tag: Maureen Rosenzweig (left). Iconic Chimney for the Pyap Pump: Magarey Collection (right).

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor are those of the writers, and not those of the Murray Pioneer.

Thank you for morning tea success

OUR 2024 Biggest Morning Tea event raised an amazing \$2414.

Thank you to Jess at 5RM, the Riverland Respite & Recreation Service, and the ladies who did amazing baking and worked in the kitchen on the day, to Trevor and Alan for setting up the tables, for Sue on the raffle. Also a big shout out to all who attended our morning tea.

Thank you all once again.

Nancy Murdoch
Secretary
Cancer Council Riverland branch

Poor Connections across Paringa

RECENTLY I was in the Paringa Bakery and was amused when one of their employees was walking around with the Eftpos machine at the front window, pointing in various positions to try to get a connection.

When I went up to pay, the staff member was relieved to see we had cash.

I have noticed this previously and when I asked the staff member about the ‘issue’ they said it was a reoccurring problem.

I’ve been in Paringa’s main street when my mobile connection dropped out and now I try not to use my mobile when there.

I also volunteer at the Renmark Paringa Community Museum and phone coverage is sometimes very poor, particularly on the north side of the museum.

My understanding is that the main tower for Paringa is up the hill, with the main street being in its shadow. Therefore, why wouldn’t Telstra put a repeater station down the hill to overcome the ongoing problems?

WAYNE HOWELL
Renmark

Praise for Southern Mallee dinner

ON the weekend of 4-5 May we towed our caravans to Lameroo and set up in the lovely little caravan park.

We went to Lameroo simply on a whim to go to the Taste Australia Southern Mallee

Producers Dinner.

What a great weekend; we had a fantastic time.

The dinner was a combination of art and food.

Everything was excellent, from the entertainment by the singer, to the artwork, the involvement of the local kids introducing each course, and much more.

And of course the menu selection, the presentation and the local wine was all tasty, unique and interesting.

The evening went very quickly.

Then on Sunday morning we went for breakfast to the Mallee Spirits distillery.

We haven’t been to a distillery for breakfast before.

We stayed three nights in Lameroo and look forward to doing it again next year.

To the people who organised the event, artistic director Morrison Polkinghorne and head chef Robert Carmack, plus everyone else involved, a hearty well done and thank you.

GRAEME and HELEN ADCOCK
GRANT and ROSEMARY MOYLE
KYM and LEANNE THOMAS
Adelaide

SA health system worse than ever?

ELECTIVE surgeries in South Australia have been cancelled again.

Why? Because the Malinauskas Government has failed to fix the ramping crisis that is crippling our health system, regardless of what they promised South Australians ahead of the 2022 state election.

For many South Australians who have been waiting for life-changing elective surgery, some in pain for significant periods of time, this decision by the Malinauskas Government will be a devastating blow.

Elective surgeries are anything that isn’t deemed an emergency – a surgery that could help cure chronic pain, like a critical joint replacement, gall bladder surgery or even laparoscopy surgeries that help women suffering from endometriosis.

I am concerned about the long-term effect this cancellation of elective surgeries will have on South Australians and our

health system.

Peter Malinauskas promised to fix ramping, but on his watch our health system is worse than ever.

If you have a story you’d like to share of your experience with our healthcare system, or if you have been impacted by the cancellation of elective surgeries, please reach out to my office and my team may be able to help advocate for a better outcome.

DAVID SPEIRS
SA Liberal Party leader

Urgent need to address healthcare

IN our lifetime, most rural families have benefitted from access to country hospitals, but sadly, we are now witnessing firsthand the deterioration of these crucial services given the heavy reliance on a dwindling number of general practitioners and nurses.

We were both born in a country hospital, and we remain determined that none should close.

In reality, we are seeing a shift in the delivery of healthcare from regional areas to metropolitan Adelaide.

This centralisation has not resulted in a more efficient system. On the contrary, it has led to ramping, overcrowded emergency departments, delayed care, excessive travel and time away from home for regional residents, and worse health outcomes for regional based patients.

South Australia is facing a healthcare crisis, particularly in regional communities.

From 1 July, the State Government’s decision to impose payroll tax on GP clinics – despite exempting bulk-billing appointments – is expected to penalise our country hospital on-call GP’s and increase costs for private patients.

Regional South Australia has the lowest number of psychiatrists per capita in the country and mental health facilities are lacking. Our country towns are desperate for doctors and nurses, but without better government incentives on offer like other states, we will lose our medicos across the border.

Securing the workforce is one challenge, but they also need

proper facilities. Our country hospitals are in dire need of upgrades, yet government funding extends more to marginal or independently held seats.

What is worse, most upgrades that Labor promised at the election haven’t even commenced. Litigation and insurance risks have also led to more patients being transferred to city hospitals, causing regional doctors and nurses to lose their practical skills.

To ensure the long-term sustainability of the sector, it is crucial to secure not only the workforce, but also the necessary infrastructure and expertise.

We will not forget that Labor promised to ‘fix’ the health system. They promised to fix ramping, and they asked each and every South Australian to vote Labor like your life depends on it. Our question for Peter Malinauskas and his Labor Government is: where is that urgency now?

PENNY PRATT
Opposition spokesperson for regional health services
NICOLA CENTOFANTI
Riverland-based MLC
Opposition spokesperson for regional South Australia

Budget priorities for the elderly

SUPPORTING older people in regional South Australia to age well is among the top priorities outlined in COTA SA’s State Budget submission, ahead of its release tomorrow.

The state’s peak body for older South Australians has focused on health, housing security and regional South Australia in its key recommendations to invest in addressing the needs of the 700,000 South Australians aged over 50.

More than 165,000 South Australians, or a quarter of the state’s population, aged over 50 are living in regional areas, and need adequate transport and access to virtual healthcare services to age well.

There are a number of important challenges to be addressed to enable older people to live well in regional South Australia.

Most older people living in our regional areas feel lucky to be there and want to stay in their community as they age. Many

Our historic channels

THERE was just about enough room for the number of locals attending last week’s Renmark Irrigation Trust (RIT) history event at the Renmark library, all keen to hear about a project that shaped the town’s future.

The topic was the conversion of Renmark’s irrigation channels to a pipe network, with guest speakers being former RIT staff member Ray Najar, alongside long-time blockies Phil Sims and Robert Tucker.

The event being nearly booked-out, with attendees of all ages, illustrates the passion for local history that exists among the community, and no doubt the occasions provided many the chance to reminisce on their own memories of swimming in a channel, or seeing a pump being run on their property for the first time.

It is the second year RIT has hosted an event for history month, and its popularity shows it should probably become an annual tradition. It is so important we gain as much knowledge as possible from the previous generations of Renmark residents, some so important to the town’s continual development, while that is still possible.

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are business owners and employees, while others are older residents who play a key role in their communities by volunteering and improving the lives of others.

It is vital that we keep them connected with others through transport options and bridge the healthcare gap with adequate mobile connectivity to help them access services virtually.

Adequate transport is fundamental for older people to be active and maintain purposeful and independent lives connected to family, friends, services, and other interests.

Unfortunately, many of South Australia’s regional towns do not have adequate, appropriate, or affordable transport options, creating a barrier to older people’s independence as many older people rely on community transport to get to an appointment in their town, in a nearby regional centre, or further afield to Adelaide.

Part of COTA SA’s submission is to offer affordable transport options to older people to maintain their independence and not rely on driving if they feel unsafe or unconfident in doing so. The State Government will soon commence a transport review, which could undertake a gap analysis of regional transport demand and current infrastructure.

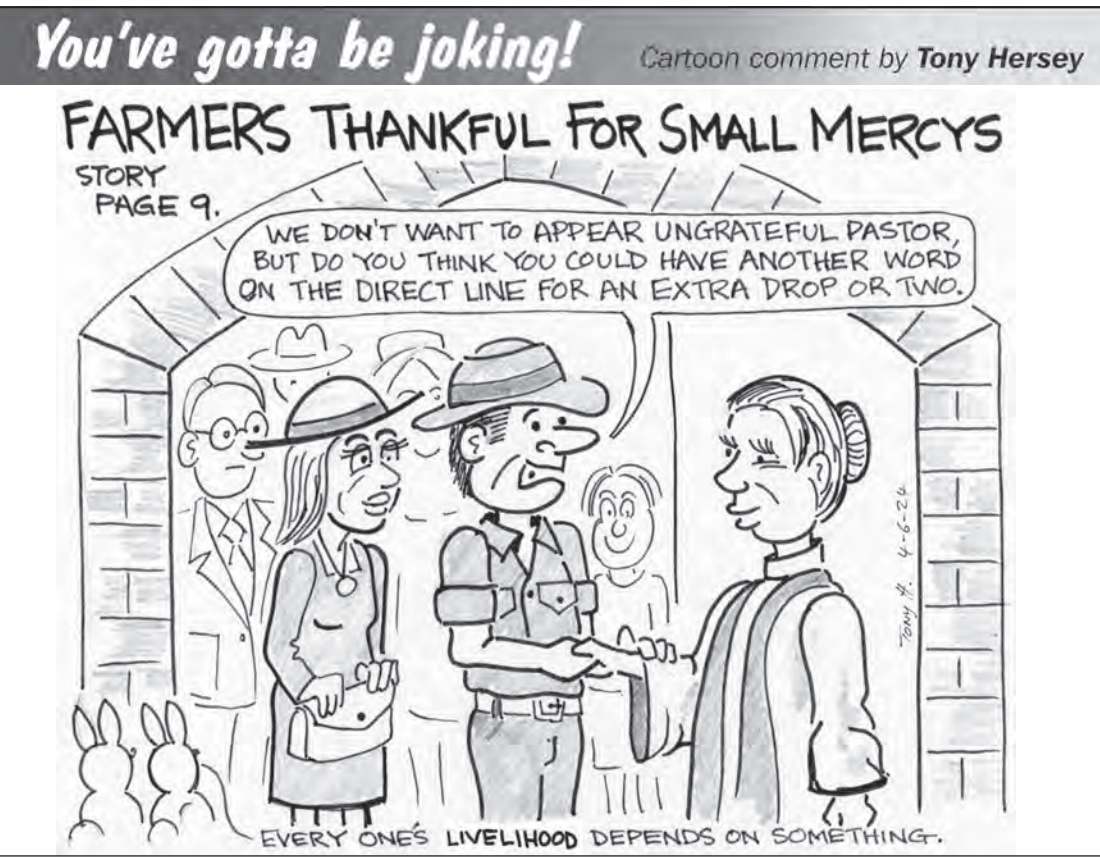
Off the back of the gap analysis, COTA SA proposes an innovative, place-based pilot to test the feasibility of different transport solutions in regional areas. This may look like a hop-on, hop-off service, rideshare, or re-deploying school buses during school hours.

To make it easier for older people to find information about current transport options, COTA SA is also recommending that the Department of Infrastructure and Transport develop a register, detailing transport options by regional area that provides information such as eligibility, travel routes, schedules, connection points, and options if a service is missed.

Another recommendation is access to virtual healthcare, which plays an important role outside of the hospital system and allows older people to access this service without travelling.

South Australia is one of the least digitally included states and some of our oldest regional areas by demographic, significantly lag behind metropolitan Adelaide.

With the increased demand for online literacy and digital infrastructure, due to the closure of face-to-face community facilities



and services such as banks and post office branches in country areas, it is fundamental for older people living in regional South Australia to have access to technology and devices and understand their use.

We believe the State Government should address the digital infrastructure gaps to support online and mobile connectivity to access these services. Furthermore, adequate programs to support older people to use their digital devices with confidence would support this.

COTA SA is looking forward to seeing what the 2024-25 State Budget has to offer and will continue to strongly advocate to shape the rollout of state government initiatives so that the voices of older South Australians are heard.

MIRANDA STARKE
Chief executive
COTA SA

Not too late for your flu vaccine

WITH winter right around the corner, Australian families are reminded it is not too late to vaccinate their children for the flu.

To date, flu vaccine uptake across Australia in children is low, despite young children being among the most vulnerable to the virus.

With one in three cases of flu across Australia in 2024 reported in children less than 15 years of age, and vaccine uptake lagging, clinicians at The Royal Children’s Hospital (RCH) are encouraging Australian families to book in their flu vaccines as

winter approaches.

As of 28 May 2024, there have been over 20,000 flu cases reported in children aged under 15 years, accounting for one in three (32 per cent) reported cases in Australia.

Many cases of the flu can be prevented by vaccination, but vaccination rates among children are low heading into winter, with less than one in seven children aged under 15 years vaccinated. More than half of parents do not know that the flu vaccine is recommended for all children aged six months and over every year.

One in three parents are not aware that healthy children can get seriously unwell with the flu.

Low levels of vaccination uptake mean that many children are susceptible to catching the flu this year, and becoming seriously unwell.

The flu vaccine is particularly important for young children as their immune systems are still developing, which means they are more vulnerable to the flu and its complications.

As many parents know, children are more at risk of illness as they spend so much time with other children in school, childcare or early learning centres, increasing their risk of exposure to the flu and other viruses.

The flu vaccine remains one of our best defences, as it not only lowers the chances of catching the flu but also reduces the severity of symptoms.

The low uptake of the flu vaccine this year could in part be due to misunderstandings

around the severity of the flu in children.

Our RCH National Child Health Poll on flu found some concerning gaps in knowledge, with one third of parents not aware that flu can cause serious illness in otherwise healthy children.

The flu is the leading cause of vaccine-preventable hospitalisation for children aged under five and can cause serious illness and even death.

If any family is still unsure, they should chat to a healthcare professional so they can feel reassured they are making the best choice for their child.

In many cases, families may simply have not gotten around to getting their flu vaccination. Now is the time for parents to act and get their children protected for winter.

And the sooner the better, as the numbers are telling us the flu season is well and truly upon us and the peak of the season is still to come.

The flu vaccine is recommended annually for all children, and free for all children aged six months to five years. Each year there is a different strain of the virus that can cause infection.

The protection also wears off with time, so last year’s vaccine will no longer be effective.

More information from The Royal Children’s Hospital on influenza and the flu vaccine can be found on the Kids Health Information website (www.rch.org.au/kidsinfo/).

Dr Anthea Rhodes
Director
RCH National Child Health Poll

Looking back...

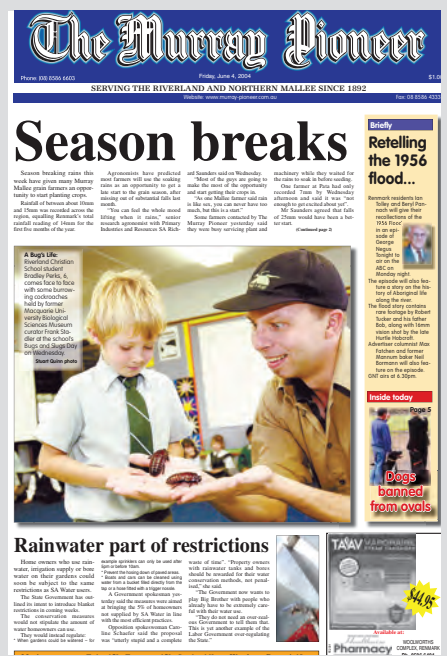
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CHAFFEY SAVES A SEAT FOR ERIC:

Much-loved theatre buff and Waikerie man Eric Frost’s legacy will continue to impact Renmark’s Chaffey Theatre via a memorial award to be presented in his name. Mr Frost, who died in a car accident while travelling back from a theatre event in 2012, attended more than 1000 shows in his lifetime – many of them at the Chaffey Theatre.

20 years ago 4 June, 2004



SEASON BREAKS: Season breaking rains this week have given many Murray Mallee grain farmers an opportunity to start planting crops. Rainfall of between about 10mm and 15mm was recorded across the region, equalling Renmark’s total rainfall reading of 14mm for the first five months of the year. Agronomists have predicted most farmers will use the soaking rains as an opportunity to get a late start to the grain season, after missing out of substantial falls last month.

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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TEXT LINE

I would like to thank *The Murray Pioneer*, 5RM, and the ABC, as well as the wider community, for their support in getting the word out to locate the Cobdogla Football Club 1984 premiership flag. I am glad to say it has been found and can now be displayed at our 40th reunion. Thanks again.

DEAN D
Loveday

To the person who has taken two pots of pink chrysanthemums in front of my Bookpurnong Terrace home, Loxton, please may you have the heart to return them. I have just lost my son and the flowers were for me. No action will be taken, I just want them back. Thanks in advance.

GLORIA P
Loxton

How disappointing that the Riverland Foodie

magazine in last week’s edition did not feature the finest – and only – fresh coffee roaster in the Riverland. No need to say who they are, or how popular they are. Why were they not featured? Maybe buying a spot wasn’t necessary, but all the same, promoting Riverland food venues and leaving this one out surprised me.

BERYL
Renmark

Heritage group to look after The Pines

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

TWO of Loxton’s historical tourism attractions are now under the same management, with a local heritage group signing a new agreement this week.

The Pines, Loxton’s Historical House has previously been under the management of Loxton Waikerie council, but will now be overseen by the Loxton Community Heritage Group, which also takes care of the Loxton Historical Village.

Loxton Community Heritage Group chairperson Paul Kaesler signed the new Memorandum of Understanding on Monday.

“Loxton Community Heritage Group was set up to manage the history side of Loxton in any way it had to,” he said.

Mr Kaesler said plans are already under way to

link the two sites for tourists and locals.

Built in 1909, The Pines was bequeathed to the people of Loxton by the late Ella Kingdon in 2002, with a council section 41 committee established in 2010 to oversee its management.

The Loxton Community Heritage Group began managing the Loxton Historical Village four years ago.

Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton said the partnership made “perfect sense”.

“It means our volunteer groups are coming together to collaborate,” he said.

“In this day and age of volunteers becoming fewer and fewer, we need to make sure we make them all happy to do what they do.”

Mayor Norton thanked the Loxton Community Heritage Group.

“It’s really good to have a lead group,” he added.



Signing the new memorandum of understanding for The Pines, Loxton’s Historical House, was Loxton Community Heritage Group chairperson Paul Kaesler and Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Dormant Loveday land to be used for solar farm

ALEXANDRA BULL

A RIVERLAND woman has leased 15 acres of her dormant land.

Cathy Kruger, of Loveday, said her 17-acre plot was lying dormant due to water trading prices, meaning farming the land

was unaffordable.

Ms Kruger has now leased 15 acres to Adelaide-based Green Gold Energy, as part of a deal to build solar panels on the land..

She purchased her property over 20 years ago when she was a single mum with three

young sons and a horse, having returned to the Riverland a year before the purchase after living in Broken Hill for several years.

“My horse was being kept on a property next door to the property I now own,” she said.

“The house was empty and very run down, and I worked hard and my boys went without until we could save for a deposit.

“Luckily I was able to find out who the owner was and made her an offer, which she accepted.”

As Ms Kruger’s career as a veterinary nurse became more demanding on her time, she was without available time to spend on her horse, so she sold him to a new home, which left her with 17 acres and her house.

“I had many thoughts on how I could make the land useful. I contacted a conveyancer to see if I could subdivide the land for housing but I was informed that it was just outside the acceptable zone,” she said.

Several years later, Mrs Kruger was contacted by a real estate agent, advising her the original company who leased the land was interested in leasing her land for a solar farm.

“The initial contract was for 40 years with the first five years being an option period which meant they were able to do all the ground work to make sure the land was viable for purpose,” she said.

“They had all sorts of people come to look at the property. They did flora studies, Fauna studies, soil studies, all the applications they needed.”

Another reason Ms Kruger was unable to use her land was the price of water, along with the ground being extremely rocky.

“At just 17 acres there wasn’t enough land to have animals, and with no water, you can’t grow any produce, so the land was really just sitting there,” she said.

“It’s taken a long time, about five years, to get the solar farm actually up and running, but it’s been life changing and even one of my neighbours has been desperately trying to get the company to take his land too.”

Ms Kruger still has close to three acres herself around the house, which allows her to have an enclosure for her recuse Kangaroos.

“Would I recommend other families to lease their land? Absolutely without question, if you are lucky enough and think your land may be of interest to a solar company, chase it up,” she said.

“To me, this is like winning the lotto. The farm itself is not ugly, it does not impact on the love I have for my little Loveday house.

“I have no complaints and none of my neighbours have complained. With any luck, they may be able to get added to the farm in the future if further stages are developed.”

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David Schmidt says around 12mm of rain was recorded on his Lowbank property during last week’s rainfall event. Mr Schmidt says the falls failed to constitute the long-awaited “break” in the season. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Rain arrives, but below average falls still predicted

AN average of about 11mm of rain was recorded in towns across the Riverland and Mallee last week.

A senior forecaster with the Bureau of Meteorology Chris Kent said the rain fall was widespread across both areas.

“Quite a large swathe of SA picked up rainfall,” he said.

“Around the western Murraylands and near the Mount Lofty Ranges not much was received there, only about 2mm.”

Mr Kent said most of the rain fell on Thursday and Friday.

The Bureau of Meteorology said in the week up to 9am on Monday, Glue Pot Station, near Waikerie, recorded 11mm, Loxton received 10mm, Renmark had 11.4mm and Lamerook recorded 12mm.

Mr Kent said dry conditions were expected over the next week in the Riverland and Mallee.

He said winter also was expected to be fairly dry in both areas.

“There is a low chance of getting above average rainfall,” Mr Kent said.

He said similar conditions were expected to continue from July until the end of September.

“The Mallee may have a slighter chance of getting a bit more rain,” Mr Kent said.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER

Rain brings hope to farmers

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

LOWBANK farmer David Schmidt is feeling more optimistic about the grain growing season after the end of a dry spell spanning more than four months.

Some rain finally arrived in the region on Thursday and more showers fell on Friday.

Mr Schmidt owns a 10,000ha property, east of Waikerie, with his father Glynn and brother Anthony.

He said 12mm of rain was recorded across their property over the two days.

But Mr Schmidt said this amount of rainfall was short of the break in the season that farmers across the Riverland and Mallee were looking for.

He said farmers across the region were keen for more follow up rain.

“You would not classify it as an official break in the

season,” Mr Schmidt said.

He said farmers in the area would need to receive about 25mm of rain within about a week for an official break in the season.

“If we could receive another 12mm or 13mm, to the 12mm we received over this week, it would be considered a break,” Mr Schmidt said.

“This rain will bring up a lot of crops that have been dry-sown throughout the district.

“In certain soil types, the crops will definitely come up.

“But I would not classify this rain as a good general break in the season.”

Mr Schmidt said the arrival of some wet weather provided farmers with more confidence in the season ahead.

“The Bureau of Meteorology is forecasting a

wetter spring and prices have lifted in the past month or so,” he said.

“I am still reasonably optimistic about this.”

The last time the Schmidt’s recorded rain before last week was on 17 January, when they received 23mm.

The fourth-generation farmer and member of Mallee Sustainable Farming started dry-sowing wheat, barley, and some vetch about a month ago, in anticipation of rain.

Mr Schmidt said the slow start to the season meant his family would modify their planting season, but he said last week’s rain would make a big difference.

“What is in the ground will come up,” he said.

He said some of the paddocks on the farm might be used for sheep feed this year instead of grain.

Mr Schmidt said after the recent rain, he and his family were waiting for the weeds to germinate, so they could be removed, before the planting of more wheat and barley this week.

He said similar conditions were expected to continue from July until the end of September.

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Safety ‘blitz’ at local aged care homes

PRACITICES in Riverland aged care facilities will be included in a state-wide audit seeking to increase safety.

SafeWork SA will this month undertake compliance checks on how aged care facility staff are using equipment and other techniques to move residents with limited mobility from one location to another.

Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector Kyam Maher said checks could cover the transferring of residents from a bed to a chair or bath, from a wheelchair to a toilet, or repositioning them in their bed.

“Residential aged care workers play a vital role in our community and it’s important to protect them from injury,” Mr Maher said.

“Workers need the right skills, processes and equipment to move residents safely.

“The campaign will also help protect aged care facility residents who are particularly vulnerable.”

Equipment commonly used to move residents in aged care facilities include

ceiling hoists, patient lifters, stretchers, wheelchairs and slide sheets.

A SafeWork SA spokesperson confirmed “plans to conduct compliance audits of a number of residential aged care facilities in the Riverland”.

SafeWork SA Executive Director Glenn Farrell said the initiative was aimed at reducing risks of injury to residents and staff.

“SafeWork SA will work with facilities so they can deliver long-term improvements to the way equipment is used to handle people,” Mr Farrell said.

“The audit will focus on both educating the industry on their obligations and ensuring compliance, requiring any improvements to be implemented within specific timeframes.”

SafeWork SA inspectors will provide education, operational guides and checklists to ensure staff follow correct procedures.

Facilities found to be non-compliant may be issued with compliance notices to remedy the matter within

a specified timeframe if it cannot be addressed while the inspectors are on-site.

The long-term campaign will look at:

- ❑ Staff having appropriate training
- ❑ Equipment that is accessible and adequately maintained
- ❑ Facilities adequately controlling risks associated with hazardous manual tasks.

United Workers Union lead organiser-aged care, Donna Douglas, said “aged care staff and the older Australians they care for deserve to work and live in a safe environment”.

“Lack of quality and sufficient equipment in the sector is a concern for our members,” Ms Douglas said.

“Workload and not having enough staff to safely care for the residents is both dangerous and heart breaking for our members.

“We look forward to the outcome of the audit.”

New scholarship program helping Riverland veterans

RIVERLAND military service veterans and their partners can now access support to undertake training or higher education study that improves job prospects.

The Veterans SA Tertiary Scholarship Program, offering financial support to veterans and partners of current and former Australian Defence Force (ADF) members, was launched last week.

Veterans SA acting director Rebecca van Reesema said supporting applicants to pursue study and training opportunities that furthered career aspirations was a goal.

“Ensuring South Australia has a strong, vibrant, and well-supported veteran community is a key priority for Veterans SA and we know that the financial aspect of higher education can be a barrier for veterans and partners to seek out new opportunities,” Ms van Reesema said.

“This pilot program is designed to reduce those barriers and help equip veterans and partners with the skills needed to thrive in their future careers.”

Through the scholarship, eligible veterans and partners can apply to receive up to 75% of their out-of-pocket education expenses, capped at \$5000 per applicant.

Australian Army veteran, and Flinders University professor, Ben Wadham said

higher education was “a great pathway for veterans to draw upon their unique skills and experience”.

“One of the challenges in engaging in higher education after service is supporting yourself or your family,” Prof Wadham said.

“Higher education scholarships can help secure your passage through university and into civilian employment.

“Personally, my studies helped me understand my service, remake myself as a civilian to find new purpose in a different field of endeavour, and become part of a new community. Overall, it was an empowering and liberating experience.”

Scholarship funds can be used by applicants to support costs such as tuition, textbooks, resources and required course equipment for study.

Higher priority will be given to applicants who seek to develop their skills and knowledge in the State Government’s priority skills areas of construction, defence and space, and early childhood education.

Applications for the Veterans SA Tertiary Scholarship Program are open until Tuesday 18 June.

For further information, or to apply, visit the website (www.veteranssa.sa.gov.au/tertiary-scholarship-program).



WALKING THE WALK: A large number of Renmark North Primary School students and staff participated in last month’s Walk Safely to School Day. PHOTOS: supplied



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INDUSTRY ON LAND: Robyn McIntosh provided these photos of the ps Industry dry docked in Berri to undergo maintenance. PHOTOS: Rob Mac



The District Council of Loxton Waikerie is unlikely to sell the Loxton Riverfront Holiday Park anytime soon, according to the council's CEO. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Park sale on back burner

THE sale of the Loxton caravan park is now likely to be years away, according to Loxton Waikerie council's CEO.

At the recent District Council of Loxton Waikerie 2024-25 draft Annual Business Plan public consultation, Loxton's Des Schliebs questioned why the selling of Loxton Riverfront Holiday Park was without mention in the budget.

"Is there something happening there? What is happening with that?" he asked.

Council CEO David Beaton said the park needed to have repairs completed before it could be sold.

"We (want to) get it into a better position, more profitable and then we can sell it," he said.

"We haven't put it in this year (the annual business plan)

because it may well be that the following year or the year after that, that everything is up and running... so that it can be sold."

The Loxton Riverfront Holiday Park requires repairs to the lower section of the park following in the 2022-23 flood.

Mr Beaton said a "lot of easements" needed to be created, in addition to the repair works,

before the park could be sold.

Mr Schliebs asked about the timeframe for the lower section of the park to be usable again.

Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton said "as soon as possible".

"The camp kitchen is currently being worked on and being repaired under insurance and the like," he added.

The stairway that connects William Street and the Loxton river front has only recently been assessed following damage during the 2022-23 flood. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson



Loxton riverfront stairway update

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

A PUBLIC stairway in Loxton – which has been out of action for over 18 months – is one step closer to being fixed.

At the recent District Council of Loxton Waikerie 2024-25 draft Annual Business Plan public consultation, Loxton man Trevor Fielke asked about the state of the staircase at the bottom of William Street, which connects pedestrians to the riverfront.

Council's infrastructure services director Greg Perry said the stairway was damaged during the 2022-23 River Murray flood.

"We managed to get an engineer there about four weeks ago," he said.

"We just couldn't get anyone to do the testing so we can claim it through insurance.

"They've come back with a plan on how to actually fix it."

Mayor Trevor Norton conceded that the stairway has been unusable for "too long".

TERRY'S TAKE

A LIMERICK BY TERRY MARTER

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Hugo Kregar was a recent finalist at the Channel 7 Young achiever Awards. FILE PHOTO

Hugo recognised for his outstanding achievements

HUGO Kregar was recently presented as a finalist at the Channel 7 Young achiever Awards. The Berri resident was one of four finalists in the Skills SA Outstanding Apprentice Award, with the award going to Sophie Orrock of Bordertown. Hugo began his construction journey with a passion, leading him to seize every opportunity to learn and grow from labouring on-site during school holidays to completing the Doorways2Construction program.

Starting his carpentry apprenticeship in 2020, he excelled, mastering technical skills and demonstrating resilience and leadership, earning him the title of 2023 South Australian Apprentice of the Year. Beyond the work site, Hugo emerged as a leader, safety officer, industry ambassador and advocate, driving mental health initiatives such as 'MATES in Construction' and serving on the Apprentice and Trainee Training and Safety Committee.

Local Chidokan Dojo celebrates milestone

ALEXANDRA BULL

A RIVERLAND martial arts studio has recently celebrated 40 years at its current location. Chidokan Dojo, in Renmark, notched up the milestone at the end of April, celebrating 40 years at the Renmark Institute after it moved in to the upstairs room in 1984.

Chidokan is a true form of traditional Japanese karate, with students learning the ways of karateka, self-defence and the ways of inner strength.

Head instructor Chris Pearce reminisced on his time at the upstairs Renmark Institute room.

"I started out in a church hall here in about 1972 and then the library used to be empty, and it had a big jarrah floor, toilets, showers and doors that opened go into the park," he said.

"We hired that for about six years and then council said they were going to turn it into the library and I thought 'Oh no, what am I going to do?' because I had about 300 students at the time.

"I had five dojos in the Riverland and we used to have students come from



Renmark's Chidokan Dojo recently marked 40 years of being in the Renmark Institute. FILE PHOTO

Loxton and I would bring in guys from overseas to come and train.

"The mayor at the time suggested the room above the institute and nobody knew about it, so I went and had a look upstairs and I thought 'this should be alright'.

"So we signed up to take it on and we moved in April 1984 and we have been there ever since."

Currently, Mr Pearce has 13 kids who train twice a week, as well as eight adults who also train with him.

Mr Pearce, who has been training in martial arts for 54

years, said the sport is "all-encompassing".

"It teaches you not to fight, it teaches you self-discipline, self-esteem, respect for yourself and health benefits," he said.

"It gives you a very strong physical, mental and spiritual outlook on life.

"I have had an 84-year-old from Loxton join once, it's there for anyone and it gives you good health and a good outlook on life.

"Just give it a go." For more information contact Chris Pearce on 0418 832 132.

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Driver fined over crash

A VICTORIAN man has been fined for driving without due care after a recent two-car crash on Dunstone Drive near the Sturt Highway at Waikerie.

Police said the incident involving a white Toyota Hilux and a grey Nissan Maxima sedan occurred just after 11.30am on Thursday

30 May.

Two people were in each of the cars.

A police spokesperson said the driver of the Nissan was a 77-year-old Victorian man.

He said no one was seriously injured.

The roads were affected for about two hours before traffic returned to normal.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER



None of the four people involved in a two-car crash at Waikerie recently were seriously injured. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Emergency services were called to the site of this crash on Lawrie Terrace, in Waikerie, on Monday. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Local police investigate collision

POLICE and emergency services were called to Lawrie Terrace in Waikerie on Monday after reports of a two-car crash.

The incident occurred at about 3.30pm.

Police said the female driver of one of the cars suffered minor injuries and was treated by paramedics at the scene.

Local police are investigating the collision and anyone who witnessed the crash is asked to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

\$40,000 to transform local gardens – and lives

A RIVERLAND project aimed at transforming gardens into interactive, sensory experiences – to ultimately improve the lifestyle of older local residents – has been awarded \$40,000.

Through a series of 10 workshops to be held across the Riverland, the Better Home Project will give participants the knowledge and skills to design and modify their gardens to provide shade, decrease temperature, provide food, increase privacy and improve connectiveness to neighbours.

It also aims to “trigger positive memories” and become a haven for butterflies, birds and natural fragrances.

The SA Government’s Ageing Well Community Grant was provided to Berri Barmera Landcare, which will deliver the program.

“It will enable us to live with nature at our doorstep,” explained Berri Barmera Landcare general manager, Sharon Schrapel.

“It stops us from living within the confines of our four walls, whilst decreasing

our utility bills, and providing us with a reason to get up and go outside each and every day, and therein live a better life.”

More than 50 South Australian organisations will share in \$750,000 in Ageing Well Community Grants and Impact Research Grants for Ageing Well.

SA Minister for Seniors and Ageing Well, Nat Cook, said initiatives funded through the grant’s programs would support more than 39,000 South Australians to “age well, safeguard their rights, challenge ageism and create more age-friendly communities”.

“This year we received more than 130 diverse applications for our range of Ageing Well Community and Research grants,” Ms Cook said.

“We were able to fund 54 of these, with 28 grants awarded to organisations in regional areas and just over 95 per cent of successful applications set to assist people experiencing loneliness and improve social connections.”

Barker MP TONY PASIN has provided the following OPINION PIECE regarding a need for the Federal Government to economically support local wine grape growers...

Our wine industry needs real help now

GLOBALLY there are fewer wine drinkers and they are drinking less wine. That is the cold hard reality facing the world’s wine regions and the communities they support.

It’s the reason the governments of France and the US are assisting growers in Bordeaux and the Napper Valley to restructure.

It’s the reason Australia has over two billion litres of wine in storage, representing a sales-to-inventory ratio of 2.7, meaning that even if we didn’t pick a berry for more than two and a half years, we would still have wine to sell.

The global wine industry is in crisis. While other great wine nations of the world, and importantly their governments understand it, last month’s Federal Budget confirms that the Albanese Labor Government either doesn’t, or worse still doesn’t care.

Instead, they remain steadfast in their attempts to hoodwink Australians into believing this global

crisis was caused by the Chinese Communist Party’s illegal decision to introduce antidumping duties on Australian wine, effectively banning the export of Australian wine into China.

I believe Australian growers deserve the truth. The stark reality is that improved terms of trade with China, or any trading nation for that matter, will not solve this crisis.

That is why I have been calling for more than 18 months for the Federal Labor Government to step in and assist growers. They need meaningful help and they needed it 18 months ago. In response to my many calls for assistance, Minister for Agriculture Murray Watt directs me to the availability of the Farm Household Allowance (FHA) which, while welcomed by eligible recipients no doubt, won’t help the industry transition.

The FHA is a fortnightly payment intended to assist primary producers through temporary difficulties like



price commodity shocks or drought, not situations like the one facing the Australian wine industry that involves a global structural disequilibrium.

That’s why I felt certain the Labor Government would heed the call of the industries peak national body, Australian Grape and Wine, and provide the financial support they sought on behalf of growers in the Federal Budget.

But that request has fallen on the same deaf ears as the requests I made previously.

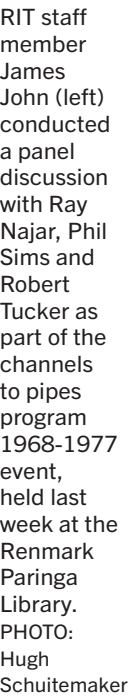
Growers have a right to be angry at the Labor

Government’s decision to turn their back on the wine industry.

Labor’s lack of action and worse their attempts to ‘spin’ the origin of this crisis and provide false hope with their rhetoric on China is an insult to the thousands of the multigenerational growers across our nation working their guts out to keep their businesses afloat.

Prime Minister Albanese and Minister Watt, drop the spin and help our wine grape growers now.

- TONY PASIN
Barker MP



ENTHUSIASTS of irrigation and Riverland history had the chance to reflect upon a project that shaped Renmark's future. Renmark Irrigation Trust (RIT) last Wednesday hosted its Innovation and cultural change: RIT's channels to pipes program 1968-1977 panel event at the Renmark Paringa Library.

Guest speakers at the event included former RIT Rehabilitation

Project senior design draftsman Ray Najar, plus fruit block owners Phil Sims and Robert Tucker.

Mr Najar said by the 1960s, inefficiencies in the channel system meant upgrades were necessary.

“RIT” to me was an amazing adventure, because we were the first in Australia to convert what was an old and dilapidated channel system into a pipeline system with metering, and a beautiful and brand

new pump station,” Mr Najjar said.

“The best part of it all... was that we were able to encourage growers to put pipelines in as soon as we possibly could.”

Mr Sims spoke about his experiences of growing up alongside the 34-foot channel, which crossed his Arumpo Street property.

His block was one of the last to be changed from channels to a pipeline in 1979.

Mr Tucker spoke about his property being linked to the pipeline network in 1971.

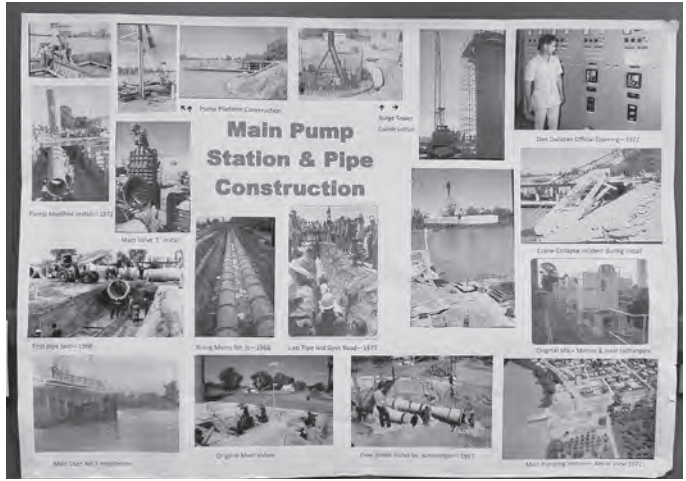
Mr Najar said the benefits of converting to the pipeline network allowed Renmark to economically grow.

"It was a really great move politically, socially and economically for everybody, because growers gained a lot more land to plant on," he said.

“They got rid of the channels, and increased their acreages by up to 10 per cent, but the best part was the massive saving in water that we never had.

“All of those things have been a fantastic advantage to the district, to the environment and to the productivity of the district.”

The event was held as part of the 2024 SA History Festival.



SA power bill drop confirmed

RIVERLAND homeowners and small business operators will see lower power bills beginning next month.

The independent Australian Energy Regulator last month confirmed cuts to South Australian electricity bills had been locked in from July.

Average household power bills will fall by 2.8 per cent, or \$63, while small businesses will see a cut of 8.8 per cent, or \$512.

Minister for Energy Tom Koutsantonis said assisting “vulnerable households manage the cost of living” was an ongoing priority.

"We are building a cleaner, more affordable and reliable energy system and these cuts to consumer bills prove we are getting it right," Mr Koutsantonis said.

“It will take time to fix Australia’s vulnerability to price shocks, a legacy of the Liberal National Coalition in Canberra’s decade-long failure to settle on an energy policy.

“The complacent Marshall Government bet everything on connecting SA to NSW – where wholesale prices are higher and reliability concerns are bigger and more urgent.

“In contrast, we are making SA more resilient by supporting new renewable generators and batteries.”

Politicians jab over interconnector delays

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

THE State Government says South Australia needs increased “capabilities to provide its own power”, while an opposition figure is pointing to delays in an energy infrastructure project – that runs through the Riverland – as adding to cost-of-living pressures.

The Australian Energy Market Operator last month released an update to its 2023 Electricity Statement of Opportunities.

Opposition spokesperson for energy Stephen Patterson said delays in completing the power interconnector between SA and NSW were impacting energy reliability.

“The year-long delay to Project EnergyConnect is extremely disappointing and energy reliability across the country will be worse off as a result,” Mr Patterson said.

“We also know that any thermal generation being removed from the grid is significant, and in the midst of a cost-of-living

crisis, less electricity being made available can only make electricity prices worse.

“South Australian households and businesses are paying some of the highest power prices in the world for a grid that is becoming increasingly less reliable.”

Work on the interconnector – known as Project EnergyConnect – that runs through the Riverland from Robertstown to Wagga Wagga began in 2022.

NSW-based network operator Transgrid last month announced the project's second stage – delivering the full transfer capacity – had been delayed and was now expected to come online in July 2027.

Minister for Energy Tom Koutsantonis said South Australia's component of the interconnector had been completed.

“We warned the former Liberal government that pinning all their hopes on an extension



cord to NSW while selling off our reserve generation would only hasten the closure of our existing gas generation, and that is what has happened," Mr Koutsantonis said.

“Now, there are delays on the NSW side of the interconnector – the SA section was completed last year.

“But when it is completed it is connecting us to a system in

NSW that has a shortfall next financial year of 270 megawatts, (and) the following year of 1400 megawatts.

“So South Australia should have its own sovereign capabilities to provide its own power, and yet the Liberals sold our generators and put all our money and hope into an extension cord to New South Wales and it hasn’t paid off.”

Loxton art duo's cultural immersion

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

TWO local art teachers recently returned from an overseas trip, gaining hands-on experience and learning about cultural art practices to enhance wellbeing for students.

Loxton High School teacher Penny Gill last year won the Minister's Arts Education Award and used the \$8000 professional development to recently visit Kuala Lumpur and Singapore with fellow art teacher Kate Simes.

"Wellbeing is a big push in all year levels," Mrs Gill said.
"It's something I feel really passionate about and interested in doing more with and learning more about."
"We are looking forward to sharing some of this new-found knowledge through what we were able to find in Singapore and overseas."
Mrs Gill said the trip focused on both traditional and modern art concepts.
"One of the best things that is most readily

applicable is what we found in the Singapore National Gallery as they've got a program for teenagers," she said.
"It's about their way of integrating their collection and getting kids to unpack the meanings behind these works to lead to their own emotional intelligence and get them to process emotions."
"That program is six weeks and I was lucky enough to meet with the program director."
"She was able to give me all their resources

to participate in training and development if I wish."
The duo visited numerous exhibitions and public art displays.
"Singapore was just so progressive and interesting," Mrs Gill said.
"There were so many fabulous things and lots of incidental things, which we really hadn't overly planned, but were the golden nuggets of the trip."



One of the exhibitions the Loxton High School duo visited at the Ilham Gallery, Kuala Lumpur. PHOTOS: supplied



Loxton High School art teachers Kate Simes and Penny Gill recently returned from a trip to Kuala Lumpur and Singapore, where they learnt about different cultural art practices.



Mrs Simes and Mrs Gill took part in a batik workshop while at Kuala Lumpur.

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Waikerie year 12 student Ellen Kroehn has received the 2024 Nathaniel O'Brien Class of Cabaret Scholarship. PHOTO: supplied



Ellen mastering the art of cabaret

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A WAIKERIE High School student will perform in the Adelaide Cabaret Festival later this month after being awarded a prestigious scholarship.

Year 12 student Ellen Kroehn is a recipient of the 2024 Nathaniel O'Brien Class of Cabaret Scholarship, funded by the Adelaide Festival Centre Foundation.

She began the highly sought

after Class of Cabaret program in February and is one of 16 participants, and the only one fortunate to receive a scholarship.

"The scholarship gives rural students the opportunity to go to the city and study music there," Ellen said.

"It provides them with more opportunities."

The scholarship is a tribute to the memory of Nathaniel O'Brien, a talented musician from regional

SA who passed away in 2015.

He was a participant in the Class of Cabaret program in 2013.

The Adelaide Festival Centre Foundation said O'Brien's passion for music continues to inspire young cabaret performers.

Valued at \$6000, the scholarship covers travel to Adelaide, accommodation, and vocal tuition throughout the program.

Ellen has been busy putting together a six-minute set to per-

form as part of a showcase performance by her class at the Adelaide Cabaret Festival, on 22 June.

The 17-year-old has written a song using her guitar and will also sing some covers.

"My set will centre on an overarching theme about being a country kid from the Riverland," she said.

The program also involves Ellen taking part in the Adelaide Festival Centre's centrED program

that provides a teacher to guide her through assessments to earn accreditation towards her South Australian Certificate of Education.

"It involves master classes with professional artists, learning about the industry and singing and vocal lessons," Ella said.

Her two mentors throughout the program include Adelaide cabaret artist and singer song writer Millicent Sarre and State Opera South Australia artist, Mark Oates.



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Endometriosis info session next week

JOIN the Berri Barmera Health Advisory Council (HAC) for their upcoming Endometriosis Information Evening from 7pm to 9:30pm, on Tuesday 11 June, at the Berri Hotel.

It's a great opportunity to hear from experts and community members, learn about endometriosis and find out about services and supports available to women in our region.

Speakers include:

- Dr Larissa Hendry, General Practitioner (GP) at Berri Medical Clinic
- Shelley Morris, Campus Operations Manager
- Country at South Australia Medical Imaging (SAMI)
- Elizabeth Eske, Womens Continence and Pelvic Health Physiotherapist
- Felicity Morrell, Dietitian at Riverland Balanced Nutrition
- Dr Kerrienne Harvey, GP at Loxton Medical Clinic.

You will also have the opportunity to hear from local women about their personal experiences living with endometriosis.

What is Endometriosis?

Endometriosis affects at least 1 in 9 females and

those assigned female at birth in Australia.

Endometriosis is a painful chronic condition that can be hard to diagnose. It occurs when tissue similar to the lining of the uterus grows outside of the uterus. It most commonly occurs in the pelvis and can affect reproductive organs.

While it can be painful and debilitating, there are effective treatments that may relieve symptoms. If you are experiencing symptoms, speak to your doctor.

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LAAS's Bronwyn Smith (left) and Kelly Leigh with the two trophies their organisation won in the 2024 RWCC Business Awards. PHOTOS: Paul McCormick



The Murray Pioneer's managing director Ben Taylor and advertising sales manager, Glenda Malinovski at the RWCC Business Awards.

Local community support service provider honoured

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A RIVERLAND disability support organisation has won two prestigious award categories in this year's Riverland West Chamber of Commerce (RWCC) Business Awards.

Lifestyle Assistance and Accommodation Service (LAAS) won the Best Community Organisation and Best Business People's Choice awards.

The trophies were presented to the service provider's human resources co-ordinator Bronwyn Smith, and human resources and administration assistant Kelly Leigh, at a recent presentation dinner at the Waikerie Club.

LAAS general manager Shelly Knight said such recognition was a testament to the quality of support services being provided by her staff.

"It is so exciting, and I am just so proud of the entire team," she said.

"We are very thankful to the RWCC for putting on such an amazing presentation evening and for the people who voted for us."

"It was a fantastic opportunity to hear about and recognise the wonderful work local businesses do in our community."

LAAS was established in 1986 to provide services to people in the region with a broad range of intellectual and physical disabilities.

Ms Knight said four sets of parents of children with disabilities lobbied for government funding to set up the organisation.

She said the parents were concerned that no services were available in the region for their sons and daughters after they left the Riverland Special School.

"They did not want to send their children to Adelaide to receive the support they needed."

"It was a big community effort in terms of lobbying government and bringing funding to provide these services to the Riverland and the organisation has really grown from there."

Ms Knight said the services LAAS provided were predominantly through the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The type of assistance it offers includes

“ It is so exciting, and I am just so proud of the entire team... ”
- Shelly Knight

supported independent living, short-term accommodation and respite, a group activities program at Loxton, and in-home support and community access services.

LAAS has a five bedroom home at Waikerie providing accommodation services to those who need support.

"It assists people to live independently in their own home and short-term accommodation is also available," Ms Knight said.

"Those accessing this service may need some respite or extra assistance following an event in their life, such as coming out of hospital."

Ms Knight said a sensory room had been established at their Loxton office.

She said to enable clients from other parts of the region to access this service some transport could be provided.

An open day will be held at LAAS' Loxton office on Tuesday 9 July from (checking times)..

"We want to welcome the entire community into our organisation, whether you are involved with someone with a disability or not," Ms Knight said.

She said LAAS was keen to find out what other support services were needed in the Riverland.



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The Murray Pioneer managing director Ben Taylor congratulates Angela Lukacs from ALERT First Aid & Training for winning the Best Service Business award at the 2024 RWCC Business Awards.
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Foxtale Houseboats owner Jodie Reynolds with the trophy her business won for Best Tourism Business.

Riverland West businesses shine at the annual awards

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

JUDGES were impressed with the high standard of entries in the 2024 Riverland West Chamber of Commerce’s (RWCC) Business Awards.

Lifestyle Assistance and Accommodation Service (LAAS) won both the Best Community Organisation and Best Business People’s Choice awards.

The winners were announced recently at a presentation dinner, at the Waikerie Club, attended by about 60 people.

Among those attending were business owners who entered, their staff, and sponsors of the awards.

The awards have been running for four years.

Managing director of The Murray Pioneer, Ben Taylor, was the guest speaker at the awards.

RWCC chairperson Angela Lukacs said businesses in the area were feeling generally positive as the region continued its recovery from the 2022-23 River Murray flood.

“Businesses in the Riverland West area are hoping for a catastrophe-free year ahead,” she said.

“The cost-of-living pressures are very demanding at the moment.

“I am sure the awards help the businesses to realise they are valued by peers and the community in general.

“We love it that some of the staff of the businesses entered in the awards also attended, as well as the business owners.”

Judges for the awards included Renmark Paringa Network chair Clint Lewan, who was represented at the presentation dinner by Clint Binder, Mid Murray councillor Jen Davis, Loxton Waikerie councillor Ian Light and The Murray Pioneer advertising sales manager, Glenda Malinovski.

The Murray Pioneer was the major sponsor of the event.

Ms Lukacs said it was the second year the media organisation had sponsored the event.

“We look forward to a continued relationship with The Murray Pioneer for future events,” she said.



Rollbusch Quality Meats owner Nigel Rollbusch won the Best Retail Business trophy in the 2024 RWCC Business Awards.

Ms Lukacs said hopefully more businesses would enter the awards next year.

“We would love to have more entries and the success of the People’s Choice category means we will run this again,” she said.

“I think the awards do provide encouragement and support of the businesses and the chamber.

“We will look at better and easier ways for businesses to participate next year.”

- RIVERLAND WEST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS AWARDS WINNERS**
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 - ❑ Best Community Organisation (sponsored by McKay Business Services) – LAAS
 - ❑ Best Trade Business (sponsored by ALERT First Aid & Training) – Hansen Electric
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- RIVERLAND WEST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS AWARDS HONOURABLE MENTIONS**
- ❑ Honourable mention – Best Retail Business- Wills & Co Mitre 10
 - ❑ Honourable mention – Best Service Business- McKay Business Services
 - ❑ Honourable mention – Best Trade Business- Waikerie Crash Pty Ltd
 - ❑ Honourable mention – Best Tourism Business- Rivergum Cruises



Hansen Electric owners David Neindorf (second left) and Sandy Neindorf celebrate winning the Best Trade Business category.

June long weekend



Looking for Riverland’s best-dressed pooch

BARMERA’S popular regular community market will celebrate the Riverland’s four-legged friends over the long weekend.

This weekend’s Barmera Markets will include a new Best Dressed Dog competition to emphasise the event’s pet-friendly atmosphere.

Market organiser Helen Morgan said a large number of attendees enjoyed bringing their pet to the market.

“We’re expecting to be a busy market, and with so much going on in and around Barmera itself, that will bring in lots of locals and tourists,” Helen said.

“The markets are a pet-friendly event, and we always get lots of people bringing their dogs.

“So to celebrate the Sheep Dog Trials on the weekend, we’re going to have a Best Dressed Dog competition. We’re encouraging everyone to dress up their best friends and to bring them to the market.”

To enter the competition, simply bring your dressed-up furry friend to the Green Market Van, located in Sargent Park, by the lakefront.

Photographs will be taken of each dog – which can optionally be uploaded to Facebook – before a winner is chosen.

For our Best Dressed Pupper there’s a basket of dog-friendly goodies, including vegan dog treats from Rosie’s Home Made Dog Crackers, a Snuffle Mat from 321 Play, a room fragrance from Frenchie Love Candles, a dog planter from M & M Creations , and a little something sweet for the owners, which have all been donated by some of our awesome stallholders.

Further information regarding this week’s markets can be found by visiting the Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Barmera.Markets).





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SA Sheepdog Trial organiser Bob Clark on Barwell Avenue, where the popular RFDS 'Running of the Sheep' event will be held.
PHOTOS: Alexandra Bull

Sheep dog trials baaa-ck this week

A MUCH-loved Riverland June long-weekend tradition is back for another year.

The Barmera Sheep Dog Trial kicks off today and will run until Sunday 9 June, with plenty of action across the five days at Barmera Oval.

What was once a three-day event has now turned into a five-day event due to increased patronage, with interstate competitors often praising Barmera as the best sheep dog trail in Australia.

These trials showcase the bond and trust that exists between the handler and their dog, as they partake in different challenges to test the dog's skills.

The Barmera Sheep Dog trials provide a great long weekend activity for the whole family, but also promote a wide interest in the working sheep dog amongsheep breeders and the general public.

It also encourages, develops and maintains a high standard of working sheep dogs.

Part of the Saturday will also be dedicated to the popular Royal Flying Doctor Service 'Running of the Sheep' event down the main street of Barmera.

This unique event attracts an enormous crowd, with a skydiving display at Barmera Oval to follow.

For more information contact Bob Clark on 0418 473 169.



Paul Doherty of SA Working Sheepdog Association Inc. and Bob Clark.

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Riverland's packed June long weekend

DESPITE the chilly conditions seen around the Riverland recently, the June long weekend is packed with activity and entertainment options for both locals and visitors to the region.

Barmera will host the ever-popular annual Sheep Dog Trials, alongside the community market crammed with the offerings of local stallholders.

Or, if you're looking for a great meal and casual drink with friends or family, the Loxton Hotel is sure to please all customers.

No matter where you are in the region, you're also never far from the river and the possibility for a scenic stroll or boat ride.

Whether you're looking for something new to experience in the region, or visiting for the long weekend, make the most of it.

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Elders team members ‘Simmo’ and ‘Bubba’ at the expanded facility in Loxton, where the organisation’s second Ag Expo event will be held next Thursday. PHOTO: supplied

Elders expo back for 2024

ALEXANDRA BULL

The Elders Annual Ag Expo is back again next Thursday for another year.

With 30 plus vendors attending the expo, there is something on offer for everyone, including horticulture, agriculture, animal management, crop chemicals and general merchandise.

The second Ag Expo provides an opportunity for clients to come in and speak with representatives directly with any queries, and check out the latest products, with plenty of expo-exclusive deals.

The expo will also feature live demos throughout the day, along with free service offers from Elanco and Heiniger.

Elders Loxton sales support officer Eliza Thiel encourages everyone to come along and check it out.

“We are not just about large-scale producers. We have a wide range of products to explore from the home, garden, to farm, orchard and vineyard also including live demonstrations and free service offers,”

she said.

“You can see the products in action and we have got some great deals on the day.

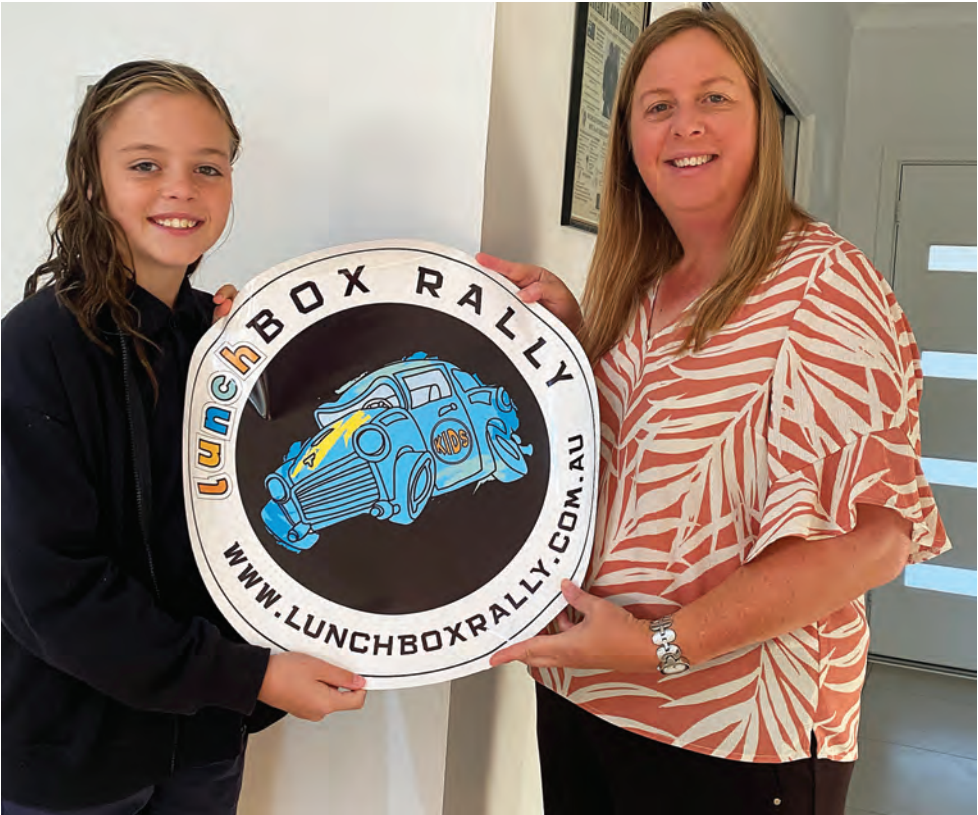
“We will have all our Elders experts in one place, which includes livestock production advisor, district wool managers, finance, insurance, water broker, real estate and property management.”

The Wunkar Football Club will also be providing a \$10 warm roast meat and vegetables for lunch, with the money going back to the football club. Refreshments are also available.

There will also be a door prize on offer, with a UE Boom speaker up for grabs for one lucky attendee. Check out Elders Loxton Facebook page for a sneak peak of the catalogue.

The Elders Loxton Annual Expo will be held on Thursday 13 June from 12pm to 5pm at 23 Badcoe Road, Loxton.

For more information contact Eliza Thiel on 8584 4500 or (eliza.thiel@elders.com.au).



Loxton’s Trini Hale, and daughter Sharla, 10, will take part in the 2024 Lunchbox Rally event. PHOTOS: supplied

Trini and Sharla rally for cancer research

A RIVERLAND mother and daughter are set to take part in a national cancer fundraiser, hoping to ease the burden for other families battling the disease.

Loxton woman Trini Hale and daughter Sharla, 10, will in September participate in the 2024 Lunchbox Rally, raising money for cancer research.

“I never got to meet my pop because my pop died from brain cancer before I was born, (and) I want no other family and friends to die of cancer...”

- Sharla Hale



Each team’s aim is to raise at least \$3000.

Box Rallies founder and CEO James Freeman said the event provided a “very unique opportunity for kids to see outback Australia in a safe, friendly and community environment”.

“For years, kids around Australia have only heard the many rally stories from those adults lucky enough to have taken part, until now,” Mr Freeman said.

Donations to team Double Trouble can be made by visiting the website (www.2024.lunchboxrally.com.au/double-trouble), or by using the attached QR code.

other children that want to do the Lunchbox Rally in future years.”

The Lunchbox Rally event – held from 27 September to 1 October – will see teams of an adult driver and a side-kick aged between 7 and 15 travelling for three nights and four days across regional NSW, in cars worth \$1500 or less.

Sharla said her aim was raising “much-needed funds for research to make this awful disease a little less painful for families”.

“I’m going on the Lunchbox rally to raise money for the cancer council,” she said.

“I never got to meet my pop because my pop died from brain cancer before I was born, (and) I want no other family and friends to die of cancer.

“I was really sad when I found out that my pop died. I think me and my mum’s team Double Trouble will be a good influence for any



The pair will travel through Hay, Pooncarrie, White Cliffs, and Cobar, in NSW.

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Primary kids embrace Reconciliation Week

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

STUDENTS at a Riverland primary school embraced the ideas behind Reconciliation Week.

Renmark Primary School last Thursday held a Reconciliation Week breakfast celebration.

Renmark Primary School aboriginal community educational officer Chris Laxton said students had approached the topic of reconciliation with enthusiasm.

“The kids embraced the whole week,” Ms Laxton said.

“It was great and we had activities each day of the week.

“Every class made a commitment to what reconciliation meant to them, and each individual made a commitment for something they could do toward reconciliation.

“Some of the statements were pretty powerful, and it shows the kids are taking it on

board. They were very curious about the week, and I think they took away from it ideals to be inclusive and to be open to other people’s cultures.”

Calperum Station’s team of rangers also attended the event and held a presentation for students.

Ms Laxton said participating in Reconciliation Week provided an insight into the Riverland’s indigenous culture.

“We’re quite a diverse community and

(this) was another way of acknowledging that,” she said.

“The school is quite community oriented, so it just seemed natural to include the community as part of that celebration.

“The kids were absolutely in awe when they saw the rangers from Calperum Station come in... they asked lots of questions.

“These are the role models for our kids, and they’re unsung.”



Renmark Primary School students enjoyed a Reconciliation Week breakfast celebration last Thursday, which included a presentation from Calperum Station rangers. PHOTOS: supplied



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Woodworking for a good cause

ALEXANDRA BULL

Community Living Australia is currently looking for locals with wood-working experience to volunteer with the Engage Program and support people living with a disability.

The program, which runs every Monday from 9.30am to 12 noon, hosted by the Riverland Woodworkers Club at the old Renmark High School, has been going since September 2022.

Volunteers will need to be knowledgeable in the area of wood working and have a keen interest in sharing their skills and expertise with others.

“It’s a very heart-warming activity and program to be a part of,” Community Living Australia fundraising and engagement officer Sonia Hein said.

The Engage Program runs 5 days a week with different skill building, independent living or social activity planned each day.

“The Engage Program’s main goal is to connect our clients with their local community and we do this by providing a range of different programs and activities that are based at community venues or with community organisations, like the



Community Living Australia is seeking volunteers to support the Engage Program being run at the Riverland Woodworkers Club. PHOTO: supplied

Woodworkers Club.”

Community Living Australia local team leader Mark Coats said the group does various woodworking projects to help build fine motor skills, with their creations often displayed and sold at markets around the Riverland.

“We have also branched out and put in a few garden beds at the woodworkers club so when clients have had their fill of doing their woodworking they can pop out and do a bit of gardening as well,” he said.

“We have currently got 14 people with a disability in the program at the moment, so we’re hoping to find some volunteers with an interest in wood-

working and community, to come in and share their time, skills and ideas with our group.

“Our involvement with Riverland Woodworkers has allowed us to build a very good relationship with the volunteers within their group, which has led to them very generously offering the use of one of their rooms throughout the week.

“This has allowed us to expand our programs to also include a men’s group on Thursdays, where our clients have also been building skills in furniture restoration and also tending to the garden.”

For more information or to get involved in volunteering contact Kirsty Bolto on 8536 5888.



The Berri Combined Churches Welfare Shop is seeking for items and goods to be donated for the Winter months. PHOTO: supplied

Berri Combined Churches Welfare Shop seeks donations

THE Berri Combined Churches Welfare Shop is a volunteer-based business situated in Vaughan Court Complex, opposite Woolworths, in Berri.

The group was established 60 years ago and has operated continuously in various locations in Berri.

Local resident Kath Materne remembers volunteering as a young mother and enjoying the camaraderie and support network among the volunteers, with those values still applying to this day.

All goods donated through the Blue Bin and front of shop are sorted at the back by volunteers. The clothing and miscellaneous goods are cleaned and prepared for sale in the shop.

Participating church groups are rostered on a monthly basis to run the front of shop, which opens Wednesday to Friday, from 10am to 2pm, and on Saturday, from 9.30am to 11.30am each week.

Profits from the shop are distributed twice yearly to local charities. Recently donations were made to:

- ❑ Berri Lions Club to provide personal toiletry bags for homeless and in-need persons
- ❑ Riverland Domestic Violence Unit
- ❑ Foodbank for their community-based programs

In addition, the church groups receive a donation for their individually chosen welfare programs.

The income for this shop relies solely on the sale of clean, good condition pre-loved clothing and miscellaneous goods, excluding electrical items.

Donations are no longer being received through the Blue Bin, but are welcomed at the shop during opening hours or by prior arrangement. Suitable donated items are vital for the future of this shop and its ongoing financial support to community groups.

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Funds raised by The Riverside Rodders, and Riverland Customs and Classics car clubs at the 2024 Riverland Auto Street Party were recently donated to the RFDS Riverland Support Group. PHOTOS: supplied

Car show efforts boost RFDS

THE Riverland Auto Street Party, held in early March on the lakefront at Lake Bonney, experienced the effects of the 41.3C day but was still hailed a success by the organising clubs.

The Riverside Rodders, and Riverland Customs and Classics car clubs event committee put nine months of planning to the test and while it was hot, came up with the goods following a few changes made after the outstanding success of 2023.

Riverside Rodders president Graham Matthews said “we outlaid additional funds on A-frames and signage to assist the traffic flow through registration, increased the variety and number of awards from 13 to 23 and made

a few other little tweaks here and there”.

Unfortunately the number of entrants and spectators was down roughly 50 per cent on 2023, which impacted on the total funds raised for the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Riverland Support Group.

But the event received very strong support from local and other sponsors and partners, which complimented the fundraising and contributed to the resulting total donation after expenses.

Sunday 12 May saw the clubs hold a Mother’s Day Coffee and Cars meet where a couple special raffles and an auction were held prior to announcing the total sum raised for the RFDS.

Riverland Customs and Classics president Bill Sweet thanked all who contributed to the success of the Street Party, especially the sponsors and partners, organising committee and those members who put in on the day under extreme weather conditions.

The total sum of \$4000 was then announced as the donation to the RFDS from the 2024 event, followed by the raffle winners and auction of the Street Party promotional signs.

The total raised on the day from the raffles, with a top up from club funds, was \$500 and as it was Mother’s Day, the clubs chose to donate that to Centacare for the Riverland Domestic Violence Service.



Increase for road funding program

SOUTH Australian councils – including those in the Riverland – will have access to increased funding aimed at improving local roads.

The Federal Government last month announced South Australian councils would receive an extra \$395m in Roads to Recovery program funding over the next five years.

Minister for Infrastructure Catherine King said the program “directly impacts the quality of our local roads, allows for pot holes to be filled, pavements to be repaired, culverts to be installed to improve drainage and keep roads open during bad weather, and helps makes sure we all get home safely”.

“The Albanese Government is committed to ensuring local government road funding is stable, predictable and fair into the future,” Ms King said.

“Local Councils are our trusted delivery partners and they know where the work on local roads is most needed to improve safety.

“That is why we have increased the funding provided through the Roads to Recovery program,

delivering on our commitment to improve road safety across Australia.”

Minister for Regional Development Kristy McBain said working toward “better safety outcomes for all road users” was a priority.

“Our government understands that many Australians spend most of our driving lives on local roads near where we live and work,” Ms McBain said.

“Councils across Australia have consistently asked for more support so that they can better maintain and upgrade their road networks, especially with the severe weather events that have so heavily impacted local infrastructure in recent years.

“We have listened to local councils’ calls for more support and will significantly increase the funding available to them – making it easier for councils to progress priority road projects that their communities are calling out for.”

Further information is available by visiting the website (www.investment.infrastructure.gov.au/about/local-initiatives).

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Minister for Infrastructure Catherine King

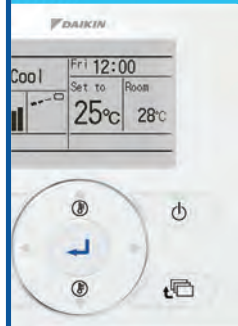


Riverland councils will have access to increased funding aimed at improving local roads. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

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A new curriculum for South Australian public schools, such as Renmark High, will be focused on English, mathematics, arts and languages subjects. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull



First look at new SA school curriculum

SOUTH Australia’s public school curriculum will be overhauled to ensure students – including those in the Riverland – are best equipped “for a changing world”. The State Government last month released the first four subjects of the new South Australian Curriculum for Public Education. Minister for Education Blair Boyer said English, mathematics, arts and languages were all key areas of the curriculum. “We have listened to industry, students and teachers about what the South Australian curriculum needs – and this curriculum brings together what we want students to

know, what they need to be able to do, and who we want them to be,” Mr Boyer said. “South Australia led the nation with our focus on phonics. Now we’re leading the nation with a focus on maths improvement – and that means making sure students have the numeracy and financial literacy skills for everyday life. “The arts and languages are also important because they teach students how to think about the world around them and their place within it. In the updated arts curriculum for example, we want to teach students about being creative, empathetic, respectful and

confident – all qualities they will need in other areas of their lives. “This important work will support teachers in delivering teaching that connects across multiple curriculum areas, and in a way that’s engaging for their students, rather than delivering rigid blocks of information.” Key changes of the curriculum include:

- ❑ A bigger focus on reading in English – inspiring students to read more and use their literacy skills on a daily basis.
- ❑ Teaching students the important life skills they need for everyday life through a strong focus on financial literacy in mathematics.
- ❑ Decluttering the curriculum to give teachers the time they need to teach topics in depth.
- ❑ Adding important qualities such as resilience and empathy into each subject area for the first time – qualities employers are increasingly demanding of graduates.
- ❑ A stronger focus on the process of art creation in the arts curriculum to strengthen students’ techniques and skills.

 Department for Education chief executive Martin Westwell said the new curriculum was developed in response to feedback from students, teachers and employers. “The release of Version 9 of the Australian Curriculum, in tandem with the depart-

ment’s new strategy for public education, has provided a timely opportunity to adapt the curriculum for South Australian public schools,” he said. “This is a significant step and means we can focus on what is most important for our children and young people to learn, enhancing student agency, and enabling them to apply their learning to real world situations. “Subject learning remains crucial, but the emphasis needs to shift from the passive reproduction of processes and facts to capabilities, both general and subject specific, conceptual understanding, deep thinking and the ability to apply knowledge across various situations. “We have been working with teachers and leaders to understand what is important to them, and have also engaged with Educators SA, the South Australian Primary Principals Association and the South Australian Secondary Principals Association on our consultation process.” The first four subject areas will be made available through a newly developed website that will be a hub for teachers, allowing them to provide feedback and support pilot work. The adapted curriculum, developed for Reception to Year 10 in 8 learning areas, will be introduced and refined in a phased approach, expected to be completed in 2027.



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Waikerie legal services get new boost

A NEW state-wide initiative is helping increase the efficiency of legal services in a Riverland West town. The State Government earlier this month announced Waikerie would be included in a new Regional Duty Solicitor Scheme, introduced by the Legal Services Commission, allowing private legal practitioners to take on legally aided work. The new scheme allows for a rostered panel practitioner to act for the client and retrospectively claim payment from legal aid for the work undertaken. Attorney-General Kyam Maher said the scheme would provide a “cost-effective solution to address service delivery gaps in the regions”. “The State Government commends the Legal Services Commission for its work in reviewing regional service delivery and identi-

fying gaps and unmet legal need in regional SA,” Mr Maher said. “This new scheme will improve service delivery for people living in the regions and will help tackle court backlogs. The State Government appreciates the work of the legal practitioners who are undertaking this work, as it will make a positive difference to the operation of our regional courts.” Under the previous scheme, clients eligible for legal aid would have to have their matter adjourned and wait for a legal aid application to be processed. Legal Services Commission CEO Gabrielle Canny said the scheme was already having an “impact in the regions”. “This new scheme will help close gaps in regional services, and should result in fewer unrepresented defend-

ants appearing before the courts in regional areas of the state,” “Under the previous scheme, where a client may have been eligible for legal aid, their matter would have been adjourned to allow the client to apply for aid and for the application to be processed. “Now, a rostered panel practitioner can act for the client there and then and retrospectively claim payment of legal aid for work undertaken. Matters to be funded in this way include guilty pleas from custody and bail applications. “While the scheme has only recently been implemented, we’re already receiving positive feedback from clients and the courts, with signs of improvement in court lists appearing, helping to address court backlogs and wait times for clients.”



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SUNDAY 9 JUNE

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon at **The Pines Loxton' Historic House and Garden** with guided tours and afternoon tea at 1.45pm and 2.30pm. Special price \$20. Enquiries to Marian on 0412 649 766 or email (woodduck32@gmail.com).

TUESDAY 11 JUNE

The Berri Barmera Health Advisory Council is holding an information evening on Endometriosis in the Berri Hotel. The evening will run from 7pm until 9.30pm and cover the diagnosis and current treatment options available. Contact presiding member Josie Nelsson on 0400 291 311.

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY & THURSDAY

The **Berri Community Men's Shed** is open from 8am to 12 noon on Mondays and Thursdays. New members welcome. Inquiries phone president Ian Campbell 0418 839 963.

MONDAY & THURSDAY

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.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

Visit the **Renmark Paringa Community Museum** and watch the Paringa Bridge lift most days at 2.30pm. Preserving the past, more than 70 vintage stationary engines. Contact Wayne 0407 618 311, open Mon/Wed/Fri from 10am to 3pm.

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

Card and boards games every Monday, even long weekends, 1.30pm to 4pm. Carpet bowls every Wednesday, 1.30pm to 4pm. Renmark Lutheran Church, 62 Seventeenth Street, Renmark. Phone Yvonne Kruschel 0428 963 195.

MONDAY

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

MONDAY

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.

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

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.

TUESDAY - SATURDAY

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.

TUESDAY - SUNDAY

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).

TUESDAY

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.

TUESDAY

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.

TUESDAY

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.

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

AA meetings throughout the Riverland. Kingston Institute Hall, Sunday, 2pm. Loxcare, Tuesday, 8pm. Loxton Uniting

Church Hall, Thursday, 12.30pm. St Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Berri, Thursday, 8pm.

WEDNESDAY

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.

WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY

Riverland Woodworkers at the old Renmark High School, Ral Ral Avenue, Wednesdays 9am to 4pm, Thursday 6pm - 9pm, Sundays 1pm to 4pm. Any skill level welcome. For more information contact Luke Bihun 0400 253 572.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Riverland Bridge Club, 9am to 1pm, Loxton Bowling Club, Bookpurnong Road. New members always welcome. Need to register first, phone John 0438 391 232.

THURSDAY

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.

THURSDAY

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

THURSDAY - MONDAY

Olivewood Historic Homestead and Museum open Thursday to Monday, 10am to 4pm and on public holidays. Pet friendly. Inquiries call 8586 6175.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Moorook Club, at 624 Kingston Road, Moorook, is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Meals Friday nights, for bookings contact Chad 0447 021 238. Children's play area. Family friendly club.

THURSDAY

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.

THURSDAY

Thursday evenings 6.45pm at the Monash Memorial Hall. Singing as a group with **Sing Australia Riverland**. Fun, relaxing evenings for everyone. Come and try. Ph: 0438 839 691

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

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.

SUNDAY

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 Marian 0412 649 766.

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Check the event descriptions for more information

MONDAY

8am - 12 noon	Berri Community Men's Shed
8am - 12.30pm	Barmera Community Men's Shed
10am - 3pm	Renmark Paringa Community Museum
1.30pm - 4pm	Card and boards games at the Renmark Lutheran Church
7pm - 8.30pm	Riverland Concert Brass Band
7pm - 10pm	Rock 'n' roll and partner dancing at the Monash Community Hall

TUESDAY

9am - 10.30am	Social badminton at the Barmera Recreation Centre
11am	Palms Bingo Club hold a bingo session
1pm - 4pm	Berri Senior Citizens meet
1pm - 4pm	Loxton Senior Citizens Club meet
8pm	AA meeting at Loxcare

WEDNESDAY

9am - 4pm	Barmera Lake Bonney Quilters meet
9am - 4pm	Riverland Woodworkers
9.30am	U3A Riverland yoga
10am - 3pm	Renmark Paringa Community Museum
1.30pm - 4pm	Carpet bowls at the Renmark Lutheran Church

THURSDAY

9am - 1pm	Riverland Bridge Club
8am - 12 noon	Berri Community Men's Shed
8am - 12.30pm	Barmera Community Men's Shed
10am - 11.30am	Mainly Music for children aged 0 to 5
10am - 2pm	SACWA Loxton District Branch meets
12.30pm	AA meeting at Loxton Uniting Church Hall
5.15pm - 6.45pm	Ukulele at the Monash Hall supper room
6pm - 9pm	Riverland Woodworkers
6.30pm - 8pm	Social badminton at the Barmera Recreation Centre
6.45pm	Sing Australia meets
7pm	Renmark Bowling Club bingo
8pm	AA meeting at St Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Berri

FRIDAY

10am	Meet, Greet & Eat at Loxcare Community Hub
10am - 3pm	Renmark Paringa Community Museum

SUNDAY

1pm - 4pm	Riverland Woodworkers
2pm	Guided tours of The Pines Historic House
2pm	AA meeting at Kingston-on-Murray Institute

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery

Tues to Fri: 10am - 2pm | Sat: 9.30am - 11.30am

Loxton Historical Village

Tues to Sun: 10am - 4pm

Olivewood Historic Homestead and Museum

Thurs to Mon: 10am - 4pm

Moorook Club

Thurs: 4.30pm - 7pm | Fri & Sat: 4.30pm - 10pm

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MONTHLY & BI-MONTHLY EVENTS

THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Berri Barmera Garden Club meets every third Sunday of the month at the Riverland Central Church on Mortimer Road, Berri at 1.30pm. New members welcome. Phone John 0409 885 811.

FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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

FIRST THURSDAY OF MAY, JULY, SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER

Ostomy Support Group Riverland. First Thursday of May, July, September and November at Renmark RSL, 91 Fifteenth Street. 10am till 12 noon. All Ostomates and partners welcome. Contact Neville Sharp 0419 849 822.

FOURTH SUNDAY EACH MONTH

Loxton Garden Club hold monthly meetings on the fourth Sunday of the month. Next meeting's at The Loxton Club-Woolshed Room, 2pm. Contact Jacque Schulz on 0402 158 759, or Ian Cass on 0428 876 220. Email (loxtongardenclub@gmail.com).

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REFLECTING ON THE PAST: Catching up at the septuagenarian reunion at the Waikerie Hotel recently were: Andrew Thomson, Michael Hammerton and Graeme Thompson. PHOTO: supplied



CATCH OF THE DAY: Bruce Schultz, of Barmera, caught and released this beautiful Murray cod in the river at Cobdogla last week. PHOTO: supplied



HIGHLIGHTING VOLUNTEERS: Celebrating National Volunteers Week at a morning tea at the Waikerie Bowling Club on Monday were Loxton Waikerie councillor Ian Light (left) with Waikerie and District Historical Society members Gwen and Julie Webber, and Yvonne Burnell. PHOTO: Christine Webster



A MILESTONE RUN: Renmark local Danielle Hallam (middle) recently completed her 100th parkrun on her birthday. Friends and family members turned out for the event to support her. PHOTOS: supplied



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IT'S IN THE CARDS: The Riverland Bridge Club last month raised \$613 for the Biggest Morning Tea, and celebrated member Brent Morrell's 80th birthday. Pictured are Jan Sunstrom (left), of Renmark, Helen Smith, Bev Dalzell and Lynn Schmall, of Loxton, Rob Chabrel, of Barmera, Graham MacInnes and Sandy Miller, of Loxton, Mr Morrell and Francie Marlor, of Renmark, Kevin Smith, of Berri, Jean De Caux, of Loxton, Ed Cottam, of Barmera, and Bob Strachan, of Renmark. PHOTO: supplied



HISTORY ENTHUSIASTS: Bevan Clifford, Sue McDonald, Merv Gladigau and Roger Johnston were among attendees of the Loxton Historical Village's bus tour to the Alawoona area last month. PHOTOS: supplied



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Former Loxton residents and Loxton Historical Village volunteers toured Alawoona and the surrounding landmarks last month. PHOTOS: supplied



Historical Village tour to Alawoona

THE Loxton Historical Village conducted its annual History Month bus trip to an outlying district on Monday 20 May.

Preceded by trips to Bookpurnong, Bugle Hut and Taldra in 2022, and Nangari, Nadda and Taplan in 2023, this third trip focused on the history of Alawoona and surrounds.

A total of 30 former residents and Loxton Historical Village volunteers travelled by bus and car to Alawoona via Malpas. After viewing historical sites at Malpas the group arrived to enjoy morning tea, provided by the Alawoona Hall committee members in their notably attractive and well-maintained hall.

Alawoona was once home to a much-larger population bolstered, in earlier years, by the railway workers stationed there. A

trip around town revealed sites of a thriving town with a bakery, bank, boarding houses, three churches, tennis courts, oval and a school in existence. Beyond the town the cemetery and Vietnam Veterans Camp sites, still in use, were visited.

Returning to the hall, local residents joined the tour group for lunch. Memories of this vibrant, resilient community that lived through the challenges of life in the Mallee with its rabbits, dust storms and droughts, continued to be shared.

Travelling back to Loxton via Veitch and Pata, recollections of schools and halls, along with services in these communities, were shared. Railway access for passengers and goods from 1914 supported the growth of these two railway sidings.

The ongoing vitality of these small communities into more recent times is evidenced by John Scholz's many responsibilities when he moved to Veitch in 1963. He assumed responsibility for running the store, post office, school bus run, rabbit chiller and wheat and barley agencies prior to bulk handling.

A visit to the site of the experimental farm at Veitch, funded by the government to run cropping and other trials from 1913 to 1930, was of particular interest.

All agreed that the opportunity to share memories and keep the history of these communities alive is a worthwhile exercise.

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At the launch of 'The Speedway Life of Macky' on Saturday were former Waikerie speedway enthusiast Ken I'Anson of Waikerie (left), former Waikerie speedway course clerk and secretary Robert Pickett, Waikerie author Trevor Mackereth, retired super modified car racer David Moore of Two Wells and retired state super sedan racer David Gwynne of Waikerie. PHOTO: Christine Webster

Waikerie's fusion of arts and speed car racing

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

FOLK music, fine art, history and car racing were all celebrated at the Rain Moth Gallery on Saturday with an exhibition opening and the launch of Waikerie identity Trevor Mackereth's second book.

About 100 people attended the double event.

The From Folk Music to Fine

Art 2024 exhibition features a collective of SA artists whose common thread is steeped in the music and traditions of the state's folk music scene.

Artists in the exhibition are Chris Alway, Patti Bee, Linda Boothertone-Bick, Alannah Cheshire, Kari Cooper, Anne Green, Tony Pinson and Karen Plisko.

Ms Plisko is also a talented musician who performed during

the exhibition and book launch.

Waikerie author Mr Mackereth also officially launched his second book The Speedway Life of Macky.

The book offers an insight into his childhood dream of racing, through to his love of Classic Super Modified racing cars and the distance travelled both interstate and overseas to fulfil his passion.

His first book launched two

years ago was a sell-out.

Stories about his racing at the Waikerie speedway and its history are featured in Mr Mackereth's latest book.

The book is on sale at the Waikerie Rain Moth Gallery, and the art exhibition runs until the end of July.

For more details visit the Rain Moth Gallery Facebook page.



About 60 people attended the opening of the art exhibition and book launch of 'The Speedway Life of Macky' on Saturday.

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- ACTORS
ADAPT
ALARM
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BEGGAR
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- BOMBS
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Last Week's Solution

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Crossword

ACROSS
1. Town in New South Wales
5. Nipa Palm
9. Stagger
10. Accessible
11. Dye
12. Journey
13. Plaster of Paris
14. Narrow street
16. Insects
18. Vestige
20. Apartment
21. Soak
24. Plenty
25. Endure
28. Prevalent
30. Gaels
31. Repasts
32. Unbleached linen
33. Mean dwelling
35. Fall in drops
36. Cheerful
37. Chimney passage
38. Prod
39. Domestic animals
40. English county

DOWN
2. Choice
3. Dismount
4. Mystic symbols
5. Book of the Bible
6. Strangle
7. Type of tree
8. Milk curdler

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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June 2024 Horoscopes: week 1

ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)
Your co-workers won't understand recent events as well as you do yourself. It may be best to go it alone for the time being, rather than asking for their input. **Romance.** Discussions could become more intense than you expect this week. Try to stay away from problem areas and it should be smooth sailing.

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)
Everyone will be carried along by your enthusiasm. You will be especially good at motivating people to do chores which they would rather put off! **Romance.** You will be surprised how much emotional energy you have at the moment. A romantic get-together later in the week will go well.

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)
A powerful aspect to Jupiter will make this an excellent time for financial deals. Take advantage of your streak of good luck before it passes! **Romance.** A dream will help you to sort out the conflicting feelings you've been experiencing. A second dream later in the week will give you an even deeper insight.

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)
It may be better if you plough ahead by yourself this week. A friend who wants to help you will be less help than they think! **Romance.** Your partner will appreciate the extra attention which you give them. This might be a good time to bring up an issue which has been bothering you.

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)
Don't spend much of your time dwelling on the past. Recent changes will soon start to take effect. **Romance.** Keep an alert frame of mind this week, and you could easily prevent spats with your partner. Try to avoid being tempted by another person whom you have not seen for many years.

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)
Don't be too hard on yourself. You were not to blame for recent events and should not let others try to make you feel guilty. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Venus later in the week will help to bring you closer to your partner. A shared chore will give you time to discuss recent events.

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)
Don't be surprised if you have more energy than your co-workers this week. You might not want to be the one who has to motivate the others, but you are surprisingly good at it!. **Romance.** Someone whom you met recently may be quite a lot older than you think. They may not be acting their age.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)
Pay close attention to your dreams. A powerful aspect to Neptune may make you a little unrealistic at the moment, but an idea which comes to you out of the blue will help you to make up for lost time. **Romance.** This week try to make amends to your partner after a recent disagreement.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)
Don't expect opportunities to seek you out. You will have to take the initiative if you are to get what you are looking for. Push ahead and see what happens! **Romance.** A get-together with your partner will go well, so long as you forget about a recent let-down.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)
If you keep your eyes open this month, you won't miss a thing! Your strong observation skills will help you in the workplace. **Romance.** Try not to be too sensitive to your partner's whims. Stand firm because your needs are just as important as theirs!

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)
A friend whose values are very different from your own may need some delicate treatment. A little more sensitivity than normal should do the trick nicely. **Romance.** Your love-life will be in good shape. You may be a little surprised at how easily you can influence your partner.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)
A meeting with friends will be interesting. You will be surprised at how popular you are! A powerful aspect to Jupiter will help to give your confidence a boost over the next few days. **Romance.** Your ability to understand what your partner is thinking will help to bring you closer together.

SUDOKU No.482

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

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

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Solution No. 481

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Riverland pair Jan Pearson and Sue Franke had the opportunity to attend a recent Adelaide Crows sponsors function. PHOTOS: supplied

Local faces get Crows insight at Adelaide Oval

LOCALS Sue Franke and Jan Pearson represented the Adelaide Crows Riverland Supporters group at a function held for sponsors at the Adelaide Oval, on Tuesday 21 May.

We were greeted with drinks and nibbles in the Southern Plaza of Adelaide oval. They split us into three groups where we took turns being shown different areas of the oval and grounds, with the focus being on game day.

Riley O’Brien addressed us in The Bunker where he took us through typical player preparation, both physical and psychological, explaining that routine is very important even when travelling. The players have access to everything from yoga, the gym, pilates and traditional training processes to sports psychologists.

We then went down to the warmup room, where the players sing the song after a win, where Matthew Nicks explained the behind-the-scenes player and game analysis, both pre and post-game. There are hundreds of KPIs studied and analysed, and hours of game footage viewed, to assess both the Adelaide Crows and the opposi-

tion’s strategies, strengths and weaknesses.

We walked through the locker room and into the area where they strategise with the players. A mock oval was set up on the floor, with movable buttons to discuss hypothetical game play.

We then finished with a walk up the race and onto the oval, where we were met by Ben Keays. Ben took us through the atmosphere on game day, and what it feels like to run up the race with the sound of the crowd, the music and the lights. We sat on the bench, with Ben telling us about the organised chaos that goes on in and around the bench on game day, including how statisticians, medical staff, trainers, players, line coaches, and player exchanges are all managed.

It was a great insight into the ‘Inner Sanctum’ of the Adelaide Football Club. The players, coach and ancillary staff gave up their time to give us an experience which made us appreciate all of their efforts to make the club successful, all of which wouldn’t be possible without the help of our sponsorship.

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Loxton Waikerie Library Service update

LOXTON Waikerie Libraries have had a successful South Australia’s History Festival during the month of May. The history of the Loxton Library was captured and documented as people were encouraged to dress in their period costume, capture the moment with a timeless photograph, and reminisce in the library’s rich history.

The Waikerie Library has displayed the Handmade by Doris exhibition, put togeth-

er by Waikerie’s branch of the National Trust. The exhibition showcased 1900s garments sewn and worn by Doris Odgers, her sewing box and machine, lace and hats, fashion magazines of the day and many other historical items of interest.

Organisers wish to thank everyone who came into both libraries to view the historical displays.

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) was celebrated on Wednesday

22 May. This year’s book, called Bowerbird Blues, by Aura Parker, was read at the Loxton Library as part of their regular storytime session. Waikerie Library celebrated the event by reading the story and providing a craft activity to all children at the Waikerie Children’s Centre.

Now in its 24th year, NSS is a fun event to celebrate Australian authors and illustrators and help promote the value of reading.

BOOK REVIEW JUNE

LOXTON
WAIKERIE
LIBRARIES'
Top 10

TOP 10 OCTOBER READS:

Safe Haven
by Shankari Chandran

Think Twice
by Harlan Coben

First Lie Wins
by Ashley Elston

The Radio Hour
by Victoria Purman

Secrets of Riverside
by Mandy Magro

Clive Cussler's The Heist
by Jack Du Brul

It Had to be You
by Mary Higgins Clark & Alafair Burke

Ten Seconds
by Robert Gold

Milking Time
by Rachael Treasure

The Shadow King
by Harry Sidebottom

TITLE:
Shadow at the Door

AUTHOR:
Jo Dixon

BOOK REVIEW BY:
Kim Schiller



Australian author Jo Dixon has followed up her bestselling debut novel The House of Now and Then with another gripping psychological thriller. Her latest book A Shadow at the Door delves into the sins of greed and desire where people will stop at nothing to get what they want.

The story follows Remi Lucan, a former TV star who, after a brutal attack and the breakdown of her marriage, retreats to Hobart to restore and renovate her beloved sandstone cottage. Her home stands as a symbol of her independence and resilience. Remi considers it her greatest achievement, far surpassing her fleeting acting career and her time as Simon’s trophy wife.

However, when financial troubles arise and there is mounting pressure from her conniving ex-husband to sell the property, Remi resorts to taking in tenants to help with the spiraling costs. A series of unsettling ‘accidents’ soon follow that leaves Remi wondering whether she is just being paranoid, or are they just coincidences? Her questions are answered as her house is set on fire when she is home alone for the night, confirming they are more than just random pranks. Someone has a calculated plan and is determined to destroy her.

The novel is a slow-burn, building tension

from domestic drama to an edge-of-your-seat thriller. Dixon’s portrayal of mature-aged share-housing amid a cost-of-living crisis adds a relatable and contemporary layer to the narrative.

The multiple points of view, including those of Remi’s new housemates, Josephine, and Emerson, create a web of intrigue and suspicion. Dixon’s skillful navigation of these perspectives keeps readers guessing, with shifting alliances and doubts that linger until the shocking conclusion.

A Shadow at the Door is not only a masterful thriller, but also a story about female friendship, starting again at any age, finding purpose, and overcoming trauma. It is a novel that invites readers to immerse themselves in the characters’ lives and explore their aspirations and regrets. With its captivating plot and complex character exploration, this book offers both heart-racing suspense and profound reflections on life’s challenges.

For those interested in a thriller that is rich in character and setting, A Shadow at the Door just could be your next read.

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Riverland TAFE restaurant returns

LOCAL students will once again run a pop-up restaurant to gain new skills and experience.

The Training Restaurant at TAFE SA Berri Campus has been described by many customers as one of the best-kept secrets in the Riverland.

Steady patronage over the past 35 years of operation has been the result of a 'word of mouth' promotion, with many customers visiting regularly and returning with friends, family and colleagues.

The Training Restaurant seats up to 40 guests for dinner and 30 guests for lunch. In addition to the pleasant environment the venue offers, visitors are fascinated by the enthusiasm of the students and their eagerness to exhibit and practice their newly-learned skills.

The Training Restaurant is designed to mirror industry practice as closely as possible. This practical activity is designed to allow students the opportunity to further enhance and develop skills learnt in the class room. The range of skills include: communication, customer contact, food and beverage service, food preparation, problem solving and teamwork.

The restaurant will be open between 12 noon and 1.30pm on the following days:

- Tuesday 18 June
- Wednesday 19 June
- Thursday 20 June
- Tuesday 25 June
- Wednesday 26 June
- Thursday 27 June

Bookings will open to the general public and tafe sa staff on Tuesday.

The Sing Australia Riverland group is currently seeking a new piano player. PHOTO: supplied



Local Sing Australia group seeking new piano player

SING Australia Riverland, a local singing group, is looking for a pianist who might like to accompany them for regular singing evenings.

This person may like to assist by playing piano weekly, fortnightly or even just once a month on a Thursday evening.

The group will provide a piano and keyboard, accompanist song books and a stipend each week as a small payment.

If you think you might like to give this a try, please call 0438

839 691 for more details. If you know someone who plays piano and may enjoy an outlet for their playing, please mention this article to them.

We also welcome new members to the group anytime. Sing Australia is not about being a good singer, it's about getting together with other like-minded people to enjoy singing together on a weekly basis or whenever you want to participate. It's also a wonderful opportunity to make new friends and participate in an

activity that is fun, not expensive and great for the health and well-being of everyone.

The group is also available to sing at Riverland events and in the past have sung at Anzac Day, Australia Day, aged care homes, Christmas events and participated in gatherings with other Sing Australia members from all across Australia.

It is always a lot of fun and everyone is welcome, women, men, older or younger people and anyone who enjoys singing

in the car or shower.

Sing Australia meet weekly on Thursday evenings from 6.45pm in the Monash Memorial Hall, Randall Terrace, Monash. Please call 0438 839 691, or go to our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/SingAustraliaRiverland) if you want to find out more.

You are most welcome to come along on a Thursday night to see if this is something you'd like to try.

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THE SUPPORT OF LIONS: Foodbank Riverland regional manager Peter Smith (centre), recently accepted a \$5000 donation from the Berri Lions Club, presented by members Bill Quirke and Karin Knowing. The donation will support Foodbank's School Breakfast Program. PHOTOS: supplied



Berri Lions also recently donated chairs and a coffee table to Berri Cottage Homes.

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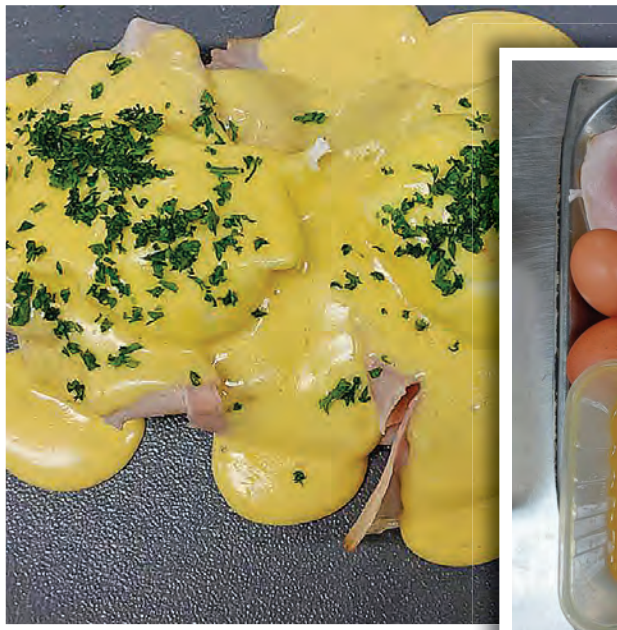
For this edition of Hugh cooks with Hugh, Hotel Renmark executive chef Hugh Hazelwood has given us some brunch inspiration with this classic eggs benedict. The rich combination of hollandaise, with smoked ham, is sure to please anyone.

For eggs benedict (serves 1)

- ❑ 125g butter, melted
- ❑ 2 egg yolks
- ❑ 1/2 tsp vinegar
- ❑ 1/2 tsp lemon juice
- ❑ 2 whole eggs
- ❑ 1 English muffin, toasted
- ❑ 1 tbsp fresh parsley
- ❑ 4 slices ham

Method

1. Create a double boiler by placing a metal bowl over a pot 1/2 filled with boiling water.
2. Add egg yolks, vinegar and lemon juice to bowl. Whisk until pale and thick.
3. Remove from heat and add melted butter. Whisk until sauce thickens.
4. Fill a pot with water and bring to a rapid boil. You want to see lots of little bubbles.
5. Crack eggs into a small bowl or ramiken and add individually into the boiling water.
6. Poach for 3 to 5 minutes.
7. Add ham slices over halved English muffin.
8. Top with poached eggs, hollandaise and parsley.



the quiz



1. Which two land masses does Palk Strait separate?
.....
2. From 1922 to 1937, what name was given to the area of Ireland that was more independent than the rest of the island?
.....
3. Who wrote the song with which the Rolling Stones had their first top 20 hit in the UK?
.....
4. In which Australian state was former Prime Minister Bob Hawke born?
.....
5. In baseball, what is the name of the position where the pitcher stands to throw the ball to a batter of the opposing team?
.....
6. With which country does Russia have its shortest international border?
.....
7. Which 1960s sitcom family lived at 1313 Mockingbird Lane?
.....
8. Which journey by James Lovell, John Swigert and Fred Haise in 1970 almost ended in disaster?
.....
9. In the "Batman" film released in 1989 who played the villain called "The Joker"?
.....
10. What was the first Olympics to be boycotted by nations that had previously competed?
.....
11. What country was Ben Johnson representing when he was stripped of his gold medal at the 1988 Olympics for taking banned steroids?
.....
12. Which military academy was established in 1802 on the Hudson River, USA?
.....
13. The US state of Virginia was named after which queen?
.....
14. Which sport was developed in 1895 when the Rugby Union refused to allow professionalism?
.....
15. In which country is the town of Gorgonzola?
.....
16. What sport was Peyton Manning, who retired in 2016, best known in?
.....
17. What make of car was founded in 1963 in a tractor factory in Sant'Agata Bolognese, Italy, and is now a subsidiary of Volkswagen?
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18. How is a Venetian gondola propelled?
.....
19. In darts, what is the next in the sequence 7, 16, 8, 11, 14?
.....
20. Who was Madonna's first husband?
.....

BONUS QUESTION:

The Empire State Building has how many stories above ground? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Answers on page 41

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Bandwagons, Eggs and Baskets, a poem written by Brent Morrell

THEY came in numbers
from the old country
To Chaffey's Nirvana,
the state of the free
California repeated,
water the key
Use the Murray 'ere, it
flows to the sea
Each brave pioneer
chose his ten-acre patch
They banded together,
their plans to hatch
What will thrive, what
will sell, we have no clue
Experienced growers
were far too few

Cleared the land, salt-
bush, mallee and box
Ploughed it true,
removed all the rocks
Arteries and veins, fol-
low the contour
We will plant some-
thing, but what we're not
sure
Apricots, gordos, sul-
tanas to dry
Orange, peaches, give
them a try
We'll plant them all
and see what survives
Give them a go, hope a
market arrives

And so was born the
fruit salad block
Always something to
sell, something in stock
Most everything sent
back to old blighty
Take Sunday off to
thank the Almighty
It stayed this way, a
generation or two
Tractors arrived and
the properties grew
Always something to
do, pick, prune and spray

Even cut apricots upon
Christmas Day

All good things must
end, cue Common
Market
English contracts
swept under the carpet
Then things got worse,
a disaster of sorts
The shops were flood-
ed with cheap imports
What do we do? Let's
have a think
A region in crisis, it
would drive you to drink
That's it, they've
spurned our fruit on the
vine
They don't want it
dried, we'll make fine
wine

Pull out the trees,
racks've had their day
Plant shiraz, cab sav,
and chardonnay
Berri Estates, Angoves,
Renmano too
Please crush our
grapes, we're relying on
you
Well they tried their
best, the Barossa as well
Produced more wine
than they could sell
In no time at all,
there's a bloody great
glut
Again the growers got
a kick in the butt

The wineries said, "The
tanks are all full"
Blockies screamed,
"We need a vine pull."
So they pulled a heap
out, and wouldn't you
know

Exports of wine started
to grow
Now the winemakers
called on guv'mint too.
"We need tax incen-
tives, what can you do?"
Guv'mint delivered an
accountant's dream
They produced a
"managed investment
scheme"

Smart money rushed
in, don't worry 'bout facts
You promised we will
save millions in tax
Thousands of hec-
tares, from east to west
coast
But good old Riverland
still has the most
More sav blanc, cab
sav, shiraz, chardonnay
Exports to China
increase every day.

But then growers
copped another blow
From the PM himself,
wouldn't you know
He said out loud what
we all knew
"China, that Covid, it's
all down to you"
The Chinese took
umbrage, I don't know
why
But they soon came
back with a stern reply
Crush your grapes,
their juice will ferment
But to sell to us, add
220 per cent.

I asked an old timer,
what should I grow?
Apricots, oranges,
maybe gordo

It was an ordinary day until, a short story by Anne Chase

IT began as an ordinary day. Georgie had slept in. On weekdays her alarm was set for 6am and she'd meet her friend Victoria to do some laps of the oval or go to a class at the gym. But today was Saturday so a slow leisurely start was her intention. Her boyfriend Tim had to do some over-time at work, so Georgie planned to clean the flat and then enjoy her new library book. In the evening she and Tim were going to a 21st party. However after breakfast Tim phoned. "My boss has just rung and the work has been postponed until next Saturday, so I'd like to take you out for a picnic lunch. Can I pick you up at 12 midday?" Georgie scurried through the clean-



ing, got ready for her lunch date and even had time to start the first chap-ter of her book before Tim rang the doorbell. As they drove to the lake they noticed the glorious autumn colours in the gardens and vineyards. After lunch Tim sug-gested a walk. They walked for a few minutes when he said "Just sit on this bench for a moment while I take a stone out of my shoe." Georgie sat but Tim got down on one knee, took a small box out of his pocket and said "Will you marry me?" An ordinary Saturday changed into a memorable day that Georgie would tell their children about.

What makes you a local? A poem by Di March

"WHAT makes you a local?" he asked with a grunt
"Do you remember the cable-drawn punt?"
That cost you a three-pence to cross with your car
The queues some-times stretching ever so far
Remember the leech-es that attached to your skin
The bloodsucking par-asites, when you jumped in
But a lighter or salt was always nearby
To get rid of the suck-ers, no need to cry
A ride on the dipper, then push it uphill
The steeply-stepped slide gave you a thrill
A twirl on the rounda-bout, laughing out loud
No matter the day... always a crowd
No thought of harm as

you rode the fox down
Or dug in the sandpit, behaved like a clown
Grant Telfer in overalls, sparkling white
Always barefoot... always a sight
We all walked to school, uphill and down
No whingeing or whin-ing, not even a frown
Tar on your shoes as Fiedler Street melted
Summers so hot, with-out air we sweltered
The cannery provided hundreds of jobs
Too hard to talk as the machinery throbs
Blockies grew apricots, nectarines and peach
Stolen by children, when not out of reach
The storefront of Coombes attracted attention
Of bypassers glimpsing the latest invention
The TV we watched, despite all the snow

Even the test pattern put on quite a show
Mr Eitzen sold shoes while Mr Tape baked bread
Mr Rosenthal chose to sell Holdens instead
Mrs Hensel sold clothes to ladies refined
While Tschirpigs sold fireworks of every kind
Mr Knight's lolly boxes kept out of reach
One penny, one half-penny, sums it did teach
We carefully chose but then changed our mind
For a grumpy old man he was exceptionally kind
"What makes you a local?" he asked once more
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BUCHANAN, Reitta Loris.
Passed away peacefully at Calvary St Catherine's, Berri on Thursday 30 May, 2024.
Aged 92 years.
Loving wife of Lance (deceased).
Loved mother and mother-in-law of Marlene and Bob, Donald and Ros, Beverley and Nick (deceased), Joan and Geoff.
Cherished gran of 12 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.
~ Our thoughts are always with you, Your place no one can fill. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still ~
GRAY, Clifton Kent 'Kent'.
20/9/1934 - 27/5/2024
Aged 89 years.
Dearly loved husband of Lillian (deceased).
Father of Lee-Anne, David and Nicole.
Father-in-law of John, Anne and Wayne.
Grandad to Anthony, Steven, Matthew, Lachlan and Joshua, Ben and Sam, Jesse and Gemma.
Our family would like to thank the staff at Rose Court Infinite Care for their love and care of Dad.
At peace in God's care.
KOCH, Delphine (nee Viney).
Loved sister of Murray (deceased).
Dear Del, our bond has been very special being a sister and friend, through life together.
Love Jean.
Your love of family will be with us always.
Now at peace.
Wayne, Colleen, Sharon, Leanne, and families.

DEATHS

KOCH, Delphine Dorothy.
The players, supporters and committee of Loxton North Football Club are saddened by the recent passing of Delphine.
Del was a life member of our club and in her later years she remained a loyal supporter and sponsor.
May Del rest in peace, who is now reunited with Don.
Our sincere condolences to all Del's family.
PLUCKHAHN, Jason Matthew 'Plucka'.
Passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday 29 May, 2024.
Aged 52 years.
Loved son of Gloria and Kevin (deceased).
Loving father of Hannah, Ashlee and Bradley.
Brother of Michael and David.
Loved pop to Lilly and Alice.
Special friend of Vicki.
Taken too soon.
Jason has been privately cremated in accordance with his wishes.

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DEATHS

PLUCKHAHN, Jason Matthew.
Aged 52 years.
Much-loved son of Gloria and Kevin (deceased).
So very caring, so much missed.
Loving father of Hannah, Bradley and Ashlee.
Proud pop of Lilly and Alice.
Beloved brother to Michael and David.
Appreciation and recognition to partner Vicki.
Never apart, always in heart.
Gone fishing with Dad.
PLUCKHAHN, Jason 'Jake'.
Sincere condolences to Jake's family.
No more pain.
RIP.
Thoughts are with you all and will be sadly missed.
Trenwith family.

VANBELCOM, Raelene June (nee Stead).
Passed away peacefully 30 May, in Darwin.
Aged 75 years.
Wife of John.
Dearly loved sister and sister-in-law to Kev and Kaye.
Mother to Tania and Brad.
Cherished memories.
Foregoing our hearts.

DEATHS

WALLIS, Mervin Keith.
Passed away peacefully in Melaleuca House, Loxton on Monday 3 June, 2024.
Aged 96 years.
Loved brother to Hurtle, Les, Lila, Roma, Glen and Junice (all deceased).
Loved brother-in-law to Judy and uncle and great-uncle to many.
Merv will be sadly missed by all who knew him.
Funeral details to be advised.

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BUCHANAN.
Family and friends of Reitta Buchanan are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funerals Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri on Friday 7 June, 2024 at 1pm, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.
In lieu of flowers if desired, a donation to Cancer Council SA in Reitta's memory would be appreciated. Donations may be made at the service.

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GRAY, Clifton Kent 'Kent'.
Relatives and friends are advised that Kent's graveside funeral service will be conducted at the Loxton Lawn Cemetery on Friday 14 June, 2024 at 2pm.

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MARKHAM.
The family and friends of Steven Markham are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funerals Chapel, 231 Twentyfirst Street, Renmark on Friday 14 June, 2024 at 11am, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.

IN MEMORIAM

ASHWORTH, Corina.
20 years ago, our world was shattered, You never said I'm leaving, You never said goodbye. You were gone before we knew it, And we know the reason why. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still, And in our hearts, you hold a special place that no one else can fill.
Brett, Tania and family.

MILLER, Tyson Hewitt.
8/10/1969 - 6/6/2021
Dear Dad, every day without you has been hard.
We miss you so much. Always on our minds. Forever in our hearts.
Love always your girls, Temika and Chantelle xx

IN MEMORIAM

MILLER, Tyson Hewitt.
8/10/1969 - 6/6/2021
Dearly loved son of Gloria, loved brother of Saul and Vicki.
Uncle of Jordan.
Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten.
SCHULZ, Shane.
9/6/1990
Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear.
Loved son and brother of Ken, Elaine and Joanne.

RETURN THANKS

COSTELLO, Paul Anthony.
Maureen, Brenton, Cheryl, and families would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, cards, calls, flowers and for attending Paul's service.
We would especially like to thank Dr Torome and the wider medical community, including SAAS, for their never-ending support and care for Paul.
Please accept this as our personal thanks.

Mark Andrew Westley
Taken Eve of 11/5/24
WESTLEY, Mark Andrew
Left us too soon. Sadly missed by John, Chris, Craig, Tarlee, and Lowan.
A Kind heart at peace.
Lord he may wiggle a bit, But take my only Brother in your arms and tell him that you Love him.
Tears Every Day.

RETURN THANKS

STIDIFORD, Jeffery.
Grace, Jeff and Debbie wish to thank you for the generous contribution in Jeff's honour.
It will make a difference in one way or another in the end.
Having your support helped us all.
Also thank you to the Cobby Club and all who helped remember Jeff.

THANKS

PLUCKHAHN, Jason 'Jake'.
Special thanks to Dr Bartel, palliative care team Helen and Karen, Country Connect team Tori, Maisy, Tanya and Sarah, family and friends for all their support.
From Vicki and family.

VITHOULKAS.
Jim and Kathy Vithoulkas would like to thank the Renmark Nursing Home and all of the staff for taking care of our mother Georgia Vithoulkas.
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Renmark West
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Ian Forsyth
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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
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Waikerie 10am
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Sunday 9 June

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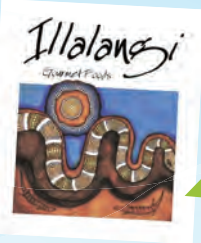
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Round 13

Points margin in highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday 6 June, 4pm

Adelaide Crows	☐	Richmond	☐
Western Bulldogs	☐	Brisbane Lions	☐
Hawthorn	☐	GWS Giants	☐
West Coast Eagles	☐	North Melbourne	☐
St Kilda	☐	Gold Coast Suns	☐
Sydney Swans	☐	Geelong Cats	☐
Essendon	☐	Carlton	☐
Collingwood	☐	Melbourne	☐

BYES: Fremantle, Port Adelaide

Name.....

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Round 14

Points margin in highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday 13 June, 4pm

Brisbane Lions	☐	St Kilda	☐
Western Bulldogs	☐	Fremantle	☐
Richmond	☐	Hawthorn	☐
Adelaide Crows	☐	Sydney Swans	☐
North Melbourne	☐	Collingwood	☐
GWS Giants	☐	Port Adelaide	☐

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ROUND 12 RESULTS

Stephen Matic.....(3)77	Adele Johnson.....(3)72
Chris Schutz.....(3)76	Marlene Schultz.....(3)72
Maria Otero.....(3)76	Darren Schultz.....(3)71
David Brindley.....(4)75	Joel Stoeckel.....(3)71
Con Pipinis.....(5)73	Tom Petch.....(2)71
Chloe Brown.....(4)73	Mark Kilmartin.....(2)71
Peter Wieckowski.....(4)73	Raelene Schutz.....(1)71
Barry Seagrim.....(3)73	Brayden Coombe.....(4)70
Ross Summer Jnr.....(4)72	Chris McConnell.....(4)70
Mark Farley.....(3)72	Barry Phillips.....(3)70

CONGRATULATIONS

TO OUR TOP THREE TIPSTERS

Anthea Durdin, Tyson Lange & Con Pipinis

AND BONUS VOUCHER WINNERS

Rosie Harrington & Scholz Family

WEEKLY WINNERS

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



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MAGPIE MILESTONES



WAIKERIE celebrated three milestones in the fixtures against Renmark on Saturday afternoon. Defender turned forward Steven Braun reached 200 games in the Gill/Lehmann Cup fixture with Renmark, while Jim Thomson (300 games), and Bradley Johnston notched up milestones in the B grade's 30-point win. PHOTOS: Paul McCormick



WATER TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS LOXTON TO MORGAN 08 - 10 JUNE 2024

Notice is given that pursuant to Section 26 of the Harbors and Navigation Act 1993, the Department of Planning, Transport, and Infrastructure has granted an Aquatic Activity Licence to the Marathon Canoe Club of South Australia Inc to conduct the 36th Riverland Paddling Marathon from Saturday 08 June 2024 to Monday 10 June 2024 on an area of the River Murray as follows:

Sat 08 -Loxton to Moorook 10.30 am to 5pm.
Sun 09 -Devilins Pound to Waikerie 10.30 am to 4.30 pm.
Mon 10 -Caudo Vineyard to Morgan 10.30 am to 4.30 pm.

The licensed area will be indicated by motor vessels displaying a red flag, one ahead and one behind the race fleet.

For safety reasons, vessels and persons other than those participating in the events are prohibited from entering the above areas of water whilst the fleet progresses past the area between the hours specified on each day.

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Copies of the Draft Annual Business Plan are available by contacting Council's principal office on 8582 1922 or access via Council's website www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au.

There are numerous ways for you to have your say including:

- In person at our offices on Tuesday 18 June 2024 between 12.30pm and 2.00pm
- In person at the Berri Plaza on Thursday 20 June 2024 between 5.00pm and 7.00pm.

Submissions may also be made in writing to the Council and must be received before 5.00pm, Wednesday 26 June by post, online or in person.

Attention:

"Submission – Draft Annual Business Plan"
Chief Executive Officer
Berri Barmera Council
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- 2.Irish Free State
- 3.John & Paul McCartney
- 4.South Australia
- 5.Mound
- 6.North Korea
- 7.The Munsters
- 8.Apollo 13
- 9.Jack Nicholson
- 10.Melbourne 1956
- 11.Canada
- 12.West Point
- 13.Elizabeth I
- 14.Rugby league
- 15.Italy
- 16.NFL-American football
- 17.Lamborghini
- 18.The operator stands and uses an oar
- 19.9
- 20.Sea Penn

BONUS QUESTION ANSWER
(from last week): The first nation to recognise the USA as an independent nation was Morocco.



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mslagter@olor.catholic.edu.au
0433 291 009

Applications close
Friday 21 June, 2024.

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Technical Officer
Full time

Century Orchards invites applications for the above position.

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The Technical Officer is a graduate role, responsible for Orchard monitoring including soil, leaf, hull and kernel collection and interpretation. Pest and disease management. General data entry and record keeping. Report writing. Designing and implementing field trials. Irrigation maintenance and implementation of fertigation and tree spray programs at a level that is consistent with best practice.

The Technical Officer will be responsible for the achievement of orchard production goals: sustainable yield, quality, and product specification within approved budget guidelines.

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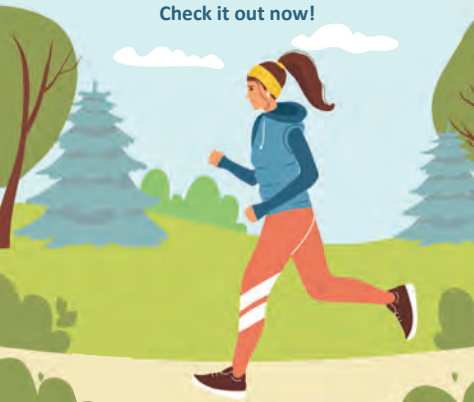
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ASSISTANT FARM MANAGER

Department of Primary Industries and
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Loxton Research Centre, Loxton

Full time contract

Vacancy ID: 595487
\$66,590 to \$70,968 (OPS3)

We are seeking an Assistant Farm Manager to join our team at the Loxton Research Centre within the Department of Primary Industries and Regions. This role involves providing skilled technical support for cropping, research, demonstration, and extension activities across the farming operation. The ideal candidate should have a strong understanding of horticultural farming practices and research methodologies, with a proactive approach to adopting new technologies in agriculture. Your Professional and Technical Knowledge Attention to Detail and Planning and Organisational Skills, will be a welcomed addition to our team; head to I Work for SA to read the role description and follow the instructions to apply. Applications will only be accepted through I Work for SA.

Initial enquiries to:
Gary Grigson (Farm Manager);
0423 024 203; Gary.Grigson@sa.gov.au

To apply and for more information visit the I WORK FOR SA website: www.iworkfor.sa.gov.au and search by vacancy number.

Applications close:
11:45 pm, Thursday 6 June 2024

The South Australian Public Sector promotes diversity and flexible ways of working including part time. Applicants are encouraged to discuss the flexible working arrangement for this role.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

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- Coordinate grape harvest operations, ensuring timely and efficient delivery to the winery.
- Lead (along with being hands on), train, and motivate a team of vineyard workers and contractors to achieve operational excellence.
- Implement quality control measures to maintain grape quality and consistency.
- Oversee maintenance and operation of vineyard equipment, ensuring reliability and efficiency.
- Ensure compliance with regulations and industry standards related to environmental, labour, and food safety.
- Foster collaboration with other colleagues and partners, including winemaking, marketing, and sales.
- Co-ordinate and maintain, along with present the property including conservation, plant and equipment.

Qualifications:

- Drivers Licence required.
- Proven experience in vineyard management.
- Strong leadership, communication, and interpersonal skills.
- Knowledge of viticulture practices, grape varieties, and vineyard management techniques.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and relevant software applications.
- Ability to work independently and make decisions.
- Willingness to work extended hours and weekends during peak harvest season.

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WATER LICENSING OFFICER

Department for Environment and Water
Adelaide, Berri, Mount Gambier
Merit pool, up to 12 months
Vacancy ID: 597939
\$66,590 min – \$70,968 max p.a. (ASO3)

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Head to I Work for SA to read the role description and follow the instructions to apply. Applications will only be accepted through I Work for SA.

Initial enquiries to:
Christine Fiebig, Manager, Customer Service and Regional Service Delivery;
christine.fiebig@sa.gov.au 0427 813 850.

To apply and for more information visit the I WORK FOR SA website: www.iworkfor.sa.gov.au and search by vacancy number.

Applications close:
11pm, Tuesday 11 June 2024.

The Department for Environment and Water is committed to building a diverse and inclusive workplace. We encourage applications from people with diverse backgrounds including all ages and gender identities, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, people with disability, culturally and linguistically diverse and LGBTQIA+.

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Murray Pioneer JOURNALIST

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The successful applicant should have the demonstrated ability to pitch, research and deliver high-quality, engaging content, and be deadline-driven and highly organised. The role requires a tertiary qualified journalist (or near completion) who has strong ethics and a desire to cover breaking news as well as generate original stories. A significant amount of responsibility is involved, so newsroom experience would be looked upon favourably.

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What the role involves

- Generating, researching and developing engaging stories on a wide range of issues.
- Delivering content that is relevant to existing audiences and attracts new readers.
- Meeting strict deadlines in a fast-paced environment without sacrificing quality or accuracy.
- Using initiative to find new stories and identify fresh angles to take issues further.
- Taking high-quality photos to accompany stories.

Qualities you need

- Tertiary qualification in journalism and on-the-job experience.
- High-level research and communication skills, with the ability to build rapport easily.
- Intrinsic motivation to pursue challenges and exceed expectations.
- Strong news judgement, with a commitment to ethics and accuracy.
- Self-motivation and high levels of organisation and time management.
- An eye for detail and ability to remain calm and focused under pressure.
- Current Australian driver's licence and reliable car.

Benefits you'll receive

- Working in a creative, collaborative and close-knit team.
- Opportunities to make a difference in the community as part of a reputable newspaper group.
- The chance to develop your career at a proven training ground for many successful journalists and editors.

Who we are

The Murray Pioneer is one of several mastheads published by Taylor Group Media across South Australia. We continually strive to be a reliable and trusted independent source of news, community views and information.

Your next steps

To apply for the journalist position, submit a formal cover letter (no more than one page) explaining why you are a suitable candidate, your resume (no more than two pages) and examples of your written work.

Please forward your resume and cover letter by Monday 10 June.

EDITOR
P.O Box 832, Renmark, SA, 5341
or email: editor@murraypioneer.com.au

All enquiries will be treated confidentially.



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Murray Pioneer ADVERTISING SALES CONSULTANT

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RIVERLAND A GRADE



PANTHERS	5.3	7.5	9.5	11.5	71
DEMONS	1.1	3.4	3.4	4.9	33

BEST: Loxton North - Z. Wooldridge, C. Voumard, J. Nelson, J. Worsfold, J. Proud, M. Scott. Berri - B. Rosenzweig, H. Martinello, J. Marr, P. Minchella, I. Woolston, E. Penaluna.
GOALS: Loxton North - J. Proud 4, N. Paull, Z. Wooldridge 2, K. Fielke, R. Proud, J. Worsfold. Berri - R. Kruger 2, A. Dayman, P. Minchella.



ROVERS	3.3	6.6	7.9	12.10	82
MAGPIES	4.2	5.4	6.7	9.8	62

BEST: Renmark - R. Garrett, T. Woolford, M. Jenke, J. Rowe, M. Woolford, M. Edwards. Waikerie - M. Hahn, K. Hilton, B. Smith, J. Bee, S. Braun, J. Spencely.
GOALS: Renmark - C. Gartery, M. Jenke, T. Woolford 2, T. Blight, A. Haynes, L. Jackson, D. Johnson, J. Vater, M. Woolford. Waikerie - K. Hilton 4, M. Hahn 3, S. Braun, T. Sheldon.



ROOS	2.3	4.4	6.7	10.9	69
TIGERS	0.0	0.1	3.4	7.5	47

BEST: Barmera-Monash - B. Drogemuller, S. Butterworth, M. Wutke, A. Lyon, J. Austin, P. Spilios. Loxton - R. Walton, C. Lange, J. Will, J. Evans, R. Kennedy, D. Kassulke.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - J. Austin, B. Drogemuller 2, C. Bonney, T. Ogle, M. Pietrolaj, F. Sampson, D. Westley, M. Wutke. Loxton - N. Flight, R. Kennedy 2, K. Evans, L. Harder, B. Yeomans.

MURRAY VALLEY FOOTBALL LEAGUE



BLUES	7.1	11.4	17.4	21.6	132
MAGPIES	2.2	5.4	6.7	7.7	49

BEST: Murrayville - B. Martin, B. Watson, N. Wright-Bramfit, C. Sporn, S. Magnisalis, G. Franks. Sedan-Cambrai - H. Clarkson, J. Grieger, R. Loffler, L. Cabot, B. Nicolai, M. Taylor-McDonald.
GOALS: Murrayville - S. Magnisalis 5, D. Hill, R. Watson, N. Wright-Bramfit 3, K. Gohl, B. Watson 2, G. Franks, J. Hoffmann, K. Wilksch. Sedan-Cambrai - J. Grieger 3, L. Cabot, H. Clarkson, L. Graetz, J. Underwood.



BOMBERS	3.0	7.4	11.5	15.9	99
REDBACKS	2.1	3.4	7.4	7.4	46

BEST: Brown's Well - L. Francis, J. Kelton, B. Oxlade, H. Chandler, T. McKenzie, B. Hampel. BSR - C. Horstmann, A. Sparks, M. Speyer, J. Howcroft, B. Webster, J. Hodge.
GOALS: Brown's Well - H. Chandler 7, L. Francis, B. Oxlade, L. Smith 2, M. Fitzgerald, J. Lange. BSR - J. Howcroft, J. Martinson 2, J. Dahlitz, C. Daniels, S. McMahon.

RWFL

Barmera-Monash 9.13 (67) d Loxton North 1.0 (6)
BEST: Barmera-Monash - E. Johnson, S. Albrecht, E. Carmichael, A. Kennedy, H. Taylor, J. Benson-Richards.
Loxton North - details not provided.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - J. Benson-Richards, E. Johnson, S. Albrecht 2, K. Britten, E. Carmichael. E. Doughty-Casey. Loxton North - S. Charles.

MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD

PLAYER	CLUB	TW	TOTAL
J. Beech	BM	0	18
N. Gillard	R	0	15
J. Vater	R	0	13
M. Hahn	W	1	13
Z. Wooldridge	LN	4	13
L. Harder	L	0	11

OTHER GRADES

B GRADE

Berri 12.9 (81) d Loxton North 2.5 (17).
BEST: Berri - M. Mcrae, T. Dolling, C. Bland, D. Greer, M. Voigt, I. Edwards. Loxton North - J. Albrecht, T. Wagner, A. Cook, J. Wooldridge, B. Thompson, K. Hewitt.
GOALS: Berri - M. Mcrae 6, T. Dolling, M. Sumner 2, D. Centofanti, T. O’Rielly. Loxton North, K. Hewitt, J. Wooldridge.

Waikerie 7.4 (46) d Renmark 2.4 (16).
BEST: Waikerie - C. Radolvic-Tripodi, F. Twigden, J. Thomson, Z. Wood, C. Miller, T. Wood. Renmark - R. Curtis, R. Perry, R. Menz, B. Henderson, L. Harrington, C. Munn.
GOALS: Waikerie - J. Thomson 3, B. Venning 2, B. Haynes, C. Wilson. Renmark - R. Jennings, O. Spring.

Barmera-Monash 11.10 (76) d Loxton 6.5 (41).
BEST: Barmera-Monash - A. Scordo, J. Selfe, N. Hamood, J. Millington, S. Mitchell, A. Norman. Loxton - T. Eagle, B. Salmon, B. Wehrmuller, J. Boughen, R. Montgomery.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - R. Lehmann 3, J. Millington, A. Scordo, D. Weetra 2, J. Selfe, M. Wilden. Loxton - L. Zdanowicz 2, Talyn Eagle, Taylor Eagle, O. Joerin, L. Pontt.



Loxton North players celebrate a goal in the win over Berri on Saturday afternoon. PHOTO: Tracy Proud

LADDERS

RFL A GRADE

BARMERA-MONASH	6	1	0	532	314	12	62.88
RENMARK	5	2	0	512	327	10	61.02
LOXTON	4	3	0	501	443	8	53.07
WAIKERIE	3	4	0	438	404	6	52.01
LOXTON NORTH	3	4	0	432	517	6	45.52
BERRI	0	7	0	292	702	0	29.37

MVFNL

BSR	6	1	0	596	393	24	60.26
MURRAYVILLE	4	3	0	614	376	16	62.02
BROWN'S WELL	4	3	0	559	430	16	56.52
RAMCO	3	3	0	404	428	12	48.55
SEDAN-CAMBRAI	2	4	0	369	520	8	41.50
WUNKAR	2	4	0	329	490	8	40.17
PARINGA	2	4	0	311	545	8	36.33

UNDER 18

Berri 13.17 (95) d Loxton North 0.3 (3).
BEST: Berri - L. Watson, B. Wenman, C. Robertson, J. Dymmott, C. Lloyd, H. Campbell. Loxton North - L. Clayton, R. Wooldridge, E. Obst, J. Badran, S. Uzzell.
GOALS: Berri - B. Wenman 4, C. Lloyd, L. Watson 2, H. Campbell, J. Dymmott, B. Pankhurst, C. Robertson, S. Taylor.

Waikerie 9.8 (62) drew with Renmark 9.8 (62).
BEST: Waikerie - S. Trandafil, H. Glacken, M. Lloyd, R. Fridd, A. Kuchel, E. Lawrance. Renmark - A. Schumann, J. Kennedy, C. Goodman, J. Clark, O. Lang, J. Rothe.
GOALS: Waikerie - R. Fridd, 3, H. Nitschke, S. Trandafil 2, M. Camerlengo, K. Hahn. Renmark - J. Clark 4, E. Evans 2, C. Goodman, T. Lowe, T. White.

Barmera-Monash 14.14 (98) d Loxton 4.1 (25)
BEST: Barmera-Monash - T. Whitbourne, L. Marks, B. Scordo, H. Johns, C. Marks, L. Allder. Loxton - J. Gum, J. Marlor, D. Zdanowicz, M. Sexton, C. Rankine, A. Edwards.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - C. Marks 3, L. Allder, T. Drogemuller, L. Marks 2, M. Dixon, H. Johns, W. Nuske, B. Scordo, T. Whitbourne. Loxton - M. Sexton 3, R. Montgomery.

UNDER 15

Loxton North 14.15 (99) d Berri 0.3 (3).
BEST: Loxton North - T. Meaney, A. Kent, C. Schwarz, T. Singh-Rai, W. King, L. Jaeschke. Berri - D. Barr, J. Hunter, T. Ferreira, W. Marsden, N. Vallelonga, C. Kruger.
GOALS: Loxton North - M. Obst 4, T. Singh-Rai 3, A. Kent, C. Ling, C. Schwarz 2, T. Meaney.

Renmark 18.18 (126) d Waikerie 0.1 (1).
BEST: Renmark - J. O’Bryan, N. Martinson, H. Riedel, H. Dring, G. Morgan, H. Pitman. Waikerie - J. Ebert, A. Kafexholli, C. Collins, E. Burgemeister, T. Price, N. Camerlengo.
GOALS: Renmark - K. Moxham, N. Warner 3, D. Bonner, L. Brown, H. Leesue, N. Martinson 2, A. Dillon, M. DiCerbo, C. Phillips, H. Riedel.

Barmera-Monash 15.18 (108) d Loxton 0.1 (1).
BEST: Barmera-Monash - K. Ogle, D. Marks, A. Liddell, N. Gartner, E. Johnson, T. Nettle. Loxton - B, Sylvia, W. Lister-White, B. Duthie, A. Flavel, L. Milton.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - D. Marks 7, I. Ness, J. Norman 2, A. Liddell, K. Nixon, R. Scordo, S. Westcott.



Byron Sumner emerges through traffic for Waikerie in the Gill/Lehmann Cup loss to Renmark. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

B GRADE	W	L	F	A	P	%
BARMERA-MONASH	7	0	594	154	14	79.41
WAIKERIE	6	1	445	257	12	63.39
LOXTON	4	3	377	299	8	55.76
BERRI	2	5	328	351	4	48.30
RENMARK	2	5	250	474	4	34.53
LOXTON NORTH	0	7	161	620	0	20.61
UNDER 18	W	L	F	A	P	%
BARMERA-MONASH	7	0	646	129	14	83.35
BERRI	5	2	482	211	10	69.55
RENMARK*	4	2	441	258	9	63.09
WAIKERIE*	3	3	411	409	7	50.12
LOXTON	1	6	163	660	2	19.80
LOXTON NORTH	0	7	123	599	0	17.03
* denotes draw						
UNDER 15	W	L	F	A	P	%
BARMERA-MONASH	6	1	856	76	12	91.84
RENMARK	6	1	690	134	12	83.73
LOXTON NORTH	4	3	374	387	8	49.14
BERRI	3	4	186	512	6	26.64
LOXTON	1	6	145	589	2	19.75
WAIKERIE	1	6	117	670	0	14.86
UNDER 13	W	L	F	A	P	%
LOXTON	7	0	357	83	14	
WAIKERIE	5	2	367	133	10	
BARMERA-MONASH*	3	3	241	156	7	
RENMARK*	3	3	227	174	7	
BERRI	2	5	194	270	4	
LOXTON NORTH	0	7	41	611	0	
* denotes draw						

LEADING GOALKICKERS

PLAYER	CLUB	TW	TOTAL
J. Beech	BM	0	21
N. Gillard	R	0	21
R. Kruger	B	2	18
Z. Wooldridge	LN	2	17
M. Hahn	W	3	14
L. Harder	L	1	12

Panthers keep in touch with top four

LACHLAN DAND

FOLLOWING a recent run of losses, Loxton North returned to the RFL A grade winner's list following a 38-point victory over Berri on Saturday afternoon.

North's most recent win came in round two against the Demons, but has since been defeated by Renmark, Loxton, Barmera-Monash and Waikerie.

The Panthers' win on Saturday afternoon was set up through a five-goal opening quarter, which opened up a 26-point advantage at the first change.

Loxton North coach Dave Higgins said he was pleased with his side's attack on the ball, having made the start of the game a focus throughout the week.

"We did a lot of the little things well and I was pleased with the way the boys responded to my messaging," he said.

"We stuck to the plans we put in place, and being able to execute really well. There was good intensity throughout, and energy was high throughout the day.

"Breaking the run of losses buoys the group, and the whole club, and everything we did on the weekend worked really well for us."

Berri fought to get back into the contest throughout

the second term, but North bootied goals at important stages to respond.

Brad Rosenzweig pieced together his most consistent performance of the 2024 season, while Hayden Martinello from Adelaide Footy League club Lockleys made an impact.

"We're very aware of how dangerous they are, so there was a focus there from us to get our hands on the ball," he said.

"That way we're able to get the ball into the forward line, and away from their dangerous areas."

Loxton North's forward line potency has been one of its greatest strengths throughout 2024, with many players hitting the scoreboard.

Justin Proud bootied four majors to lead the way, while Noah Paull and Zac Wooldridge's two each proved pivotal.

Wooldridge is currently sitting in fourth spot in the competition's leading goalkicker award, and Higgins said having a wide variety of goalkickers was a pleasing aspect for his coaching group.

"We know we have a lot of talent we can roll through the forward line who have an impact up there," he said.

"They all play different roles week to week, and it's really pleasing to see different names pop up and help us

out when required."

Panthers captain Codi Voumard has put together yet another consistent season, and was among the best again in the win over the Demons.

Higgins said he was pleased with Voumard's season, and that it is reward for the hard work he puts in.

"He's super trustworthy, and brings his best every week, and presents in every game he plays," Higgins said.

"He leads from the front, and it's an absolute privilege to coach him and have him as a real strong point in the team.

"He's highly respected, and leads with his actions more so than his words, and the boys fall into line behind him."

Following the interleague match this weekend, Loxton North's next fixture is against Renmark on 15 June at the kennel.

Higgins said his side is looking to be more prepared heading into the clash with the Rovers, following the 35-point loss in round two.

"We highly respect Renmark and the way they go about it, and they showed us that last time at our ground. They dominated us.

"We need to do a lot right, which is our aim, but we'll be worried about us, and making sure we do our best in what is a big game for us."



Loxton North ruckman Matt Hampel in action during his team's 38-point victory RFL A grade win over Berri last Saturday.



71	33
5 Codi Voumard	LN
4 Zac Wooldridge	LN
3 Justin Proud	LN
2 Brad Rosenzweig	B
1 Josh Nelson	LN

MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD

Codi Voumard was important for Loxton North in the win over Berri on Saturday being adjudged best on ground in The Murray Pioneer Writers' Award. He is pictured marking in front of Berri champion Peter Safralidis. PHOTOS: Tracy Proud

Hoffmann stars as Loxton downs River Rangers

A STAR performance from Jasper Hoffmann helped Loxton United secure a 4-0 victory over the Berri River Rangers in Riverland soccer's A grade men's competition on Sunday afternoon.

Facing off against the River Rangers in enemy territory, three of Hoffmann's goals came in the second half, backing up his strike at the 30-minute mark.

Josh Krendl and Mitch Cawse provided some resistance for Berri, but were ultimately outclassed by United duo Sabastian Cocks and Crispin Mitchell.

Elsewhere, in a game littered with controversial moments, Renmark continued its winning ways with a 4-1 victory over the Barmera Pelicans.

In-form forward Linus Johnston netted twice, while Hari Sahota and an own goal was enough to do the damage.

Ryan Verrall provided the Barmera fans with hope on the back of a first half strike, while James Wallace and Mitch Ryaner's performances proved important.

The biggest win of the weekend came through the under 16s competition, where Renmark slammed home a whopping 13 goals against Barmera.

Jacob Cartwright slotted six, while John Callery's hat trick was supported by Billy Tsakarellos who netted twice.

Following this weekend's competition-wide bye, Riverland soccer will return on 14 June at the Bruce Oval when Barmera United faces off against Berri, while Loxton United takes on Renmark Olympic.

MEN
A GRADE
Loxton 4 d Berri 0
Best: Loxton – S. Cocks, C. Mitchell. Berri – J. Krendl, M.

Cawse.
Goals: Loxton – J. Hoffmann 4.
Renmark 4 d Barmera 1
Best: Renmark – L. Johnston, K. Kahlon. Barmera – J. Wallace, M. Rayner.
Goals: Renmark – L. Johnston 2, H. Sahota, (OG). Barmera – R. Verrall.
B GRADE
Renmark 3 d Loxton 1
Best: Renmark – G. Tsolomitis, J. Hammond. Loxton – S. Cocks, E. McKee.
Goals: Renmark – G. Tsolomitis 2, H. Dedes.
UNDER 16
Renmark 13 d Barmera 0
Best: Renmark – A. Khaira, A. Watkins. Barmera – details not provided.
Goals: Renmark – J. Cartwright 6, J. Callery 3, B. Tsakarellos 2, A. Cartwright, J. Van Dyk.
UNDER 14 MIXED
Loxton 4 d Berri 0
Best: Loxton – C. Setchell, H. Martin. Berri – L. Endermann, R. Wishart.
Goals: Loxton – C. Schwarz, C. Setchell, L. Perram, B. Perram.
Renmark 11 d Barmera 1
Best: Renmark – G. Ivanovic, H. Strout. Barmera – T. Skilton, N. Drewitt.
Goals: Renmark – J. Curtis 5, B. Altundag 4, N. Meimetis, D. Atsaves. Barmera – details not provided.

UNDER 12 MIXED
Berri 6 d Loxton 0
Best: Berri – B. Gates, S. Romeo. Loxton – O. Formby, A. McCleary.
Goals: Berri – H. Cooper, B. Gates 2, S. Romeo, I. Sullivan.
Renmark 7 d Barmera 2
Goals: Renmark – N. Albanese, K. Atsaves. Barmera – W. Cassereto, L. Stark.
Best: Renmark – I. Atsaves 5, N. Albanese, K. Atsaves. Barmera – J. Lewin, K. Sweet.
WOMEN
Loxton 2 d Berri 0
Best: Loxton – M. Greer, J. Grace, M. Lockwood. Berri – G. Kaur, M. Harwood.
Goals: Loxton – M. Greer, M. Lockwood.
Renmark 4 d Barmera 0
Best: Renmark – A. Pavlomanolakos, J. Kahlon. Barmera – A. Perry, M. Rayner.
Goals: Renmark – A. Pavlomanolakos 4.
UNDER 14
Loxton 3 d Berri 1
Best: Loxton – S. Angeleski, S. Santini. Berri – details not provided.
Goals: Loxton – A. Dalzell, K. Bertram, E. Tsakarellos. Berri – C. Camilleri.
Renmark 1 d Barmera 0
Best: Renmark – G. Ivanovic, B. Lock. Barmera – A. Perry, H. Newman.
Goals: Renmark – G. Ivanovic.



Josh Krendl lines up the free kick for Berri in the loss to Loxton United on Sunday evening. PHOTO: Lachlan Dand



Renmark Olympic defeated Barmera United on Sunday afternoon in Riverland A grade men's soccer. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

RIVERLAND EIGHTBALL:

RIVERLAND eightball held its Riverland Doubles event on 29 May at the Lyrup Club, with 16 pairs competing.

Quality was on show throughout the

night, before Peter Kennedy and Glen Carter took the honours by defeating father son pair Andrew and Ryan Hill 3-0 in the final.

The consolation plate was won by Colby

Knight and Bill Ling, who defeated Jaymee Geue and Shelley Garrett.

Riverland eightball resumes its home and away season tonight following a break.

MONTHLY column

DURING the month of May members travelled to Adelaide to see games and attend a function arranged by the Adelaide Crows football club. Two Supporters Group members attended the Adelaide Crows Inner Sanctum event on 26 May which was informative.

Current Crows Supporters group co-ordinator Mark Bickley attended the April Riverland Crow Supporters Committee meeting. A large number of club members also attended the evening, where Mark spoke with all members, plus addressed the forum and presented two life memberships.

Mark is now getting involved with Club Supporters group members who may or may not be able to attend home games at Adelaide oval.

In May the Riverland Crows Supporters Group gathered at Loxton to view Collingwood vs Adelaide Crows on the big screen. These Sunday afternoon screening days are normally held when a game is played interstate.

In June, the group will travel by bus to Adelaide Oval to see the Crows play Sydney swans in the Saturday evening timeslot. The bus collects supporters from various Riverland towns, travels to the Cross Keys Hotel for lunch and then to the Meridian Motel to book in and have a happy hour, before the bus takes them to Adelaide Oval for the game. The bus will also collect them after the game and return them to the Meridian Motel. Breakfast the next morning is held at the Meridian before the bus leaves and returns to the Riverland. During the bus trip there can be a lot of talk about the team members, and a chance for travellers to be involved in gameday quiz.

The Riverland Crows Supporters Group have a committee member in each Riverland town. To find out who the representative person is for your town, contact the Riverland Crows supporters Facebook page, which will give you contact details for all persons on the committee. The information they provide can be just to find out how to become a member, or find out when the Riverland Crows Supporters members group are holding a function.

Now that the second part of the football program has been allocated the committee is now able to schedule some new events for members to be involved in.

Ages of members in the Riverland Group are rising and not many younger persons are signing up to be members. Older persons may not be able to present personally, but can still have an interest in the local functions. The group is like most other organisations who are wanting to have young people attend functions.

- RAELENE FULLER

Riverland Crows Supporters Group publicity officer



Jake Spencely bursts through traffic in Waikerie’s RFL A grade loss to Renmark. PHOTOS: Paul McCormick



Tim Woolford takes a strong intercept mark for Renmark in the Gill/Lehmann Cup victory.

Renmark retains Gill/Lehmann Cup

LACHLAN DAND

THE Gill/Lehmann Cup remains in Renmark for the third year running, following the Rovers’ gritty 20-point RFL A grade victory on Saturday afternoon.

Despite trailing at the opening change by five points, Renmark quickly shifted into top gear, and held the lead at every break, before a five-goal final term was enough to prove the difference in the match.

Renmark playing coach Josh Vater said he was pleased with the response of his side, following back-to-back defeats.

“We weren’t necessarily focused on the fact we were coming off two losses, it was more around playing for the Gill/Lehmann Cup,” he said.

“We spoke about the rivalry we’ve had with Waikerie during the week and before the game, about what that means to us as a football club.

“It was pleasing to get a win and the fact it came over a four-quarter effort, and we were able to wrestle back the momentum after they got the jump on us in the first quarter.”

Vater said one of the keys to overcoming the opening quarter deficit was maintaining structure, and making an impact on the scoreboard, which has been one of Renmark’s faults across recent weeks.

“They kicked the first four goals inside 15 minutes, but the most pleasing thing for me was the way we came back into the game without me needing to really say anything,” he said.

“The players were able to adjust, and dig

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5	Tim Woolford	R	MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD
4	Ricky Garrett	R	
3	Kade Hilton	W	
2	Mitch Jenke	R	
1	Mitch Hahn	W	

deep, and wrestle some goals back and that was really pleasing.”

Renmark defeated Waikerie by 42 points at the kennel in round two in a dominant display, but Vater said his side didn’t use that result a lot prior to Saturday’s encounter.

“The only factor we addressed was that we felt they controlled a lot of the ball in that game, and we were lucky they didn’t capitalise,” he said.

“We went in and approached it like any other game. They had a lot of personnel changes and so did we, and we know that a lot can happen.

“The competition is relatively even amongst a lot of teams, and anyone can beat another on any given day.”

Kade Hilton gave Magpies supporters plenty to cheer about in a four-goal effort, having spent time in the middle of the ground, while Mitch Hahn’s three-goal effort was noteworthy.

Vater said the pair were difficult to match up on.

“Hilton played on the ball for a while, and so when he’s running forward and kicking goals, that becomes really challenging and a

real weapon for them,” he said.

“Hahn is a classy player that doesn’t need much opportunity to make you hurt, so it’s clear they have a lot of dangerous players.

“They’re all small to medium-sized players, which can pose as challenges to match up on, and in the first quarter they had the jump on us.

“It was nice for our boys to be able to respond and tighten the screws, and then put goals on the other way.”

Renmark had several strong contributors throughout the afternoon, with Tim Woolford leading from the front with two goals from the middle of the ground.

Woolford was well supported by both Caiden Gartery and Mitch Jenke, who also booted two, while Ricky Garrett and Matt Woolford were other good performers.

The Riverland Football League has a competition-wide bye this weekend for inter-league, and Vater said the bye has come at a good time for his group.

“We’ll give the guys Thursday night off training, and let them have a bit of an extended break away from footy,” he said.

“Most players are feeling pretty good, but we have had a few injuries throughout the year so it will be good to give the guys a few extra days to rest the bodies.

“It’s a mental refresher for a lot of players, and I think the boys will really relish having the break at this time of year.”

Round eight sees Renmark return home when it faces off against Loxton North, while Waikerie is on the road to do battle with Loxton at Tigerland on 15 June.

Blues return to form in Murray Valley Football League

AFTER a disappointing loss at the hands of Paringa, Murrayville bounced back in the Murray Valley Football League competition on Saturday afternoon.

Facing off against Sedan-Cambrai, the Victorian-based club got away to a 29-point lead at the first break, and never looked back, extending the lead to 63 points at the final change.

The Blues continued to pile on the pain in the final term,

booting four goals to one to secure an 83-point victory.

Full forward Sam Magnisalis was the star of the show for Murrayville, finishing with five majors, while Dean Hill, Randall Watson, and Nathan Wright-Bramfit all finished with three.

Jacob Grieger finished with three majors in a strong showing for the Magpies, while Harry Clarkson, and Russell Loffler’s two goals were important.

Elsewhere, Brown’s Well reclaimed bragging rights over BSR, recording a 53-point win, responding to the loss two weeks previously in the reverse fixture.

The Bombers put BSR to the sword late in the game on the back of a four-goals to quarter to run out significant winners.

Harrison Chandler finished with seven goals in a strong showing, while Levi Francis, Bryce Oxlade and Lane Smith

all kicked two.

Cameron Horstmann and Allen Sparks both found strong form for the Redbacks, while Jamie Howcroft and Jed Martinson each kicked two.

Following the competition-wide bye, Brown’s Well faces off against Wunkar, Sedan-Cambrai plays off against Ramco, and Paringa tackles BSR, with some clubs set to come off a two-week rest.

AROUND THE GROUNDS

NOTHING could split Waikerie and Renmark in the RFL under 18s competition on Saturday, finishing 62 apiece.

In a game which was close at every break, Waikerie held the lead by four points at the final break.

However, the Magpies were somewhat wasteful throughout the final term, allowing Renmark to capitalise and level things up.

Jake Clark booted four goals for the Rovers in a strong performance in attack, while Ethan Evans’ two goals proved important.

Alex Schumann and John Kennedy provided the Rovers with strong opportunities in the forward half, while Charlie Goodman also fought well.

For Waikerie, Reily Fridd was important with three goals, while Harrison Nitschke and Sam Trandafil each kicked two.

Harry Glacken and Malachi Lloyd fought hard for the Magpies, but the mountain was ultimately too great to overcome.

Meanwhile, a comprehensive display saw Berri record the biggest win of the weekend in the under 18s competition, finish-

ing victorious to the tune of 92 points against Loxton North.

Brock Wenman booted four goals for the Demons, while Callan Lloyd and Liam Watson also hit the scoreboard with two apiece.

Lachlan Clayton and Rhys Wooldridge fought valiantly for the Panthers along with Ed Obst, as they continue the search for the first win of 2024.

Elsewhere, Barmera-Monash proved why it is sitting atop the ladder, scoring a 73-point win over Loxton.

Just two points separated

the sides at the opening break, before a five goal to one second term split the game wide open.

Campbell Marks finished with three for the Roos, while Lucas Alder, Tony Drogemuller and Lachlan Marks each booted two.

Michael Sexton’s three majors provided a target in attack for Loxton, which only managed two goals following the first break.

The biggest win of the weekend came in the under 15s competition, where Renmark ran away with a 125-point victory against Waikerie.

Roos flex their muscles at home



Barmera-Monash forward Ben Drogemuller was awarded the Brave for Dave trophy by his sister Chloe Drogemuller-Fiebig and her kids Duke and Banks as the most courageous player in the RFL A grade win over Loxton last Saturday. PHOTO: Facebook



Barmera-Monash defeated Loxton by 22 points on Saturday afternoon. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

BARMERA-MONASH extended its winning streak to six-in-a-row on the back of a 22-point victory over a previously red-hot Loxton outfit at the Lakeside Oval on Saturday afternoon.

The first half proved to be the difference in the match, and although the Roos only booted four majors themselves, they were able to hold Loxton to one point.

The remainder of the contest proved to be somewhat of a slog, and in an even second-half, Barmera-Monash did enough to secure victory.

Roos forward Ben Drogemuller was awarded the Brave for Dave trophy as the most courageous player on the day, on his way to booting two majors.

Drogemuller was well

supported by key forward Jack Austin who continued his strong form with two goals, while Max Pietrolaj also hit the scoreboard in his first A grade game since round one.

Sam Butterworth showed his class yet again, shaping as one of the favourites for the Whillas Medal, while Aedan Lyon's shutdown role on the dangerous Loxton forwards failed to go unnoticed.

For the Tigers, Nathan Flight booted two along with Rogan Kennedy who returned to form, while Luke Harder, Kaiden Evans and Ben Yeomans kicked one apiece.

Riley Walton and Che Lange were important across the Tigers' backline, repelling at every opportunity,

particularly throughout the first half, while Jesse Will and Drew Kassulke helped Loxton break even in the midfield battle.

The loss is Loxton's first since round three, and gives the side work to do in order to surge into the top two following Renmark's win in the Gill/Lehmann Cup over Waikerie.

The Tigers host Waikerie on 15 June following the competition-wide bye this weekend due to interleague, hoping to better its 30-point loss in round three against the Magpies.

Meanwhile, Barmera-Monash takes on arch-rivals Berri at league headquarters, hoping to continue its winning streak.



Barmera-Monash is currently sitting on top of the RFL A grade ladder with a 6-1 win/loss record.

PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Riverland Superdogs reach milestone

LACHLAN DAND

THE Riverland Superdogs AFL Masters side is commemorating its 40-year milestone in 2024, celebrating 280 'dog years.'

The Superdogs most recently competed in Gawler, with the next fixture scheduled for this Sunday 2 June at Lyrup against the East Hectorville Demons.

Former president of the Superdogs, Neville Ebert, reflected on his time with the team, and said joining was one of the best things he has ever done.

"I joined the team in 1997 and I was there until 2004, and a lot happened throughout the time," he said.

"We had a medal count at the end of each year which we named the 'dog tag' medal which started in 1999.

"Peter Fisher was the coach when I first started, and then it moved through to Des Klingbiel, but he moved to Broken Hill, and throughout the early 2000s we played games against a team out there.

"Rick Schild came in after that following his

time at Berri and he was the ultimate clubman, and helped organise the footy trips at the end of the season."

Mr Ebert said he joined the team following a conversation with Fisher, who encouraged him to come out and join the Superdogs, and Ebert said he thought it was a great concept.

"I've always loved the game of footy, particularly locally, and so I wanted to stay involved in any which way I could," he said.

"We didn't really seek media attention when I was initially involved, but Lance Gum changed a lot of that by taking that role on for the paper.

"Matt Clifford went on the radio in latter years and boosted our coverage as well, so it was a case of everyone taking on different roles.

"My best memories were the away trips we'd do, because a lot of the teams were in Adelaide so we'd have to go down there.

"We played teams in Clare and Murray Bridge, and that was always a good trip to go up there,

and you'd form a great sense of camaraderie with the rest of the team."

Mr Ebert said the most challenging aspect of his time with the Superdogs was the lack of player numbers, particularly for non-Riverland games.

However, throughout home game weekends, the playing group would differentiate between training venues.

"Sometimes we'd only go away with 12-15 players which obviously isn't enough," he said.

"Most teams were really good and would lend us a couple of extra players so we'd always get a game going.

"We'd train at all the RFL clubs when they didn't have trainings on, and they'd put a meal on for us so it worked well.

"The best thing about it was playing with people who had played a lot of A grade games, so you'd build a great sense of connection and learn a lot from them.

"They played a lot of representative footy at SANFL and VFL level and then they played Masters rules and really enjoyed it."

Waikerie springs a hockey upset

A PERFECT start to the Riverland A grade men's hockey season came crashing down for Berri on Friday night, when it suffered a disappointing four-nil loss to Waikerie.

Berri was undone by Waikerie duo Daniel Schmidt and James Smith who each scored twice, while Nathan Schmidt and Josh Ridley performed well in the comprehensive victory.

The win continued Waikerie's strong form, following a win over Sunraysia in its previous outing.

Elsewhere, Sunraysia scored a bounce-back win over Loxton, as the reigning premier's drought continued.

Matt Wickham, Lachlan Kelly, and James Perry each found the back of the net for Sunraysia, while Liam Richardson scored a consolation prize in a disappointing defeat.

The biggest win of the weekend came through the under 14 mixed competition, where a remarkable four goals from Charlize Camilleri aided Berri to a 9-1 victory over Renmark.

The only yellow card of the weekend came through the B grade women's clash between Renmark and Waikerie, where Kylie Beer committed a pro-

fessional foul in the Blues' loss to the Knights.

RESULTS ROUND 6

MEN

A GRADE

Waikerie 4 d Berri 0

Best: Waikerie - D. Schmidt, N. Schmidt, J. Ridley, A. Hocking, L. Hocking. Berri - details not provided. Goals: Waikerie - D. Schmidt, J. Smith 2.

Sunraysia 3 d Loxton 1

Best: Sunraysia - details not provided. Loxton - K. Radloff, L. Richardson, T. Botten. Goals: Sunraysia - M. Wickham, L. Kelly, J. Perry. Loxton - L. Richardson.

B GRADE

Renmark 2 d Waikerie 1

Best: Renmark - T. Berends, D. Beer, B. Harding. Waikerie - S. Traeger, C. Thiele, D. Brewer, N. Gogoll. Goals: Renmark - B. Gutts, D. Grenfell. Waikerie - C. Thiele.

Berri 4 d Loxton 1

Best: Berri - L. Russack, R. Hill, K. Stokes, M. O'Callaghan. Loxton - details not provided. Goals: Berri - M. O'Callaghan 3, K. Stokes. Loxton - R. James.

UNDER 18 MEN

Renmark/Loxton 3 d Waikerie 1

Best: Renmark/Loxton - I. Schaefer, T. Botten, C. Vowles. Waikerie - E. Rayner, K. Schiller, S. Coote, G. Matulick. Goals: Renmark/Loxton - F. Hayes, H. Kempthorne, E. Schaefer. Waikerie - K. Schiller.

WOMEN

A Grade

Berri 2 d Waikerie 1

Best: Berri - A. Herbert, H. Crowhurst, B. Kelly. Waikerie - A. Matulick, T. Schmidt, S. Kroehn. Goals: Berri - H. Crowhurst, A.

Herbert. Waikerie - A. Edwards.

Sunraysia 7 d Loxton 0

Best: Sunraysia - B. Wakefield, S. Wakefield, A. Wilson. Loxton - A. Waters, S. Robinson, A. James. Goals: Sunraysia - B. Wakefield 3, A. Wilson 2, S. Wakefield, A. Nyabonda.

B GRADE

Waikerie 2 d Renmark 1

Best: Waikerie - J. Isaacson, A. Matulick, B. Smith. Renmark - J. Packer, K. Barton, K. Beer. Goals: Waikerie - J. Isaacson, S. DeMarco. Renmark - R. Keynes.

UNDER 18

Waikerie 4 d Renmark 1

Best: Waikerie - A. Edwards, J. Kroehn, Z. Schiller, D. Brewer. Renmark - C. Reay, E. Pick, B. Kimberley, E. Grenfell. Goals: Waikerie - Z. Schiller 2, J. Kroehn, A. Edwards. Renmark - C. Reay.

MIXED

UNDER 14

Waikerie 7 d Loxton 0

Best: Waikerie - Sarah Kroehn, J. Gogoll, L. Lawson. Loxton - H. Coste, N. Burgemeister, R. Geraghty, S. Lambert.

Goals: Waikerie - Sarah Kroehn 4, Sophie Kroehn, J. Gogoll, L. Lawson

Berri 9 d Renmark 1

Best: Berri - details not provided. Renmark - B. Livingston, L. Cook, A. Schubert.

Goals: Berri - C. Camilleri 4, S. Coote 2, L. Vallelonga, W. Stokes, L. Bowers. Renmark - L. Cook.

UNDER 12

MIXED

Waikerie 1 drew with Loxton/ Renmark 1

Best: Waikerie - details not provided. Loxton/Renmark - K. Row, F. Waters, E. Waters, M. Griffin. Goals: Waikerie - R. Willoughby. Loxton/Renmark - C. Nitschke.



Reilly Fridd kicked three goals for Waikerie in the under 18s battle with Renmark. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Sam Trandafil soars high for a mark against Renmark. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Malachai Lloyd takes an intercept mark at half back for Waikerie. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Waikerie players celebrate a goal in the under 18s clash with Renmark. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Clayton Schwarz sends the Panthers forward. PHOTO: Michelle Gray



Berri and Loxton North battled it out in the under 13s competition. PHOTO: Michelle Gray



Waikerie and Renmark played out a thrilling draw in the under 18s competition. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Jake Clark intercepts the ball for Renmark. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



Aston Burgess sends Loxton North into attack. PHOTO: Michelle Gray



Loxton North under 18s captain Will Nitschke in action. PHOTO: Michelle Gray



Berri defeated Loxton North by 46 points in the under 13s competition. PHOTO: Michelle Gray



Connie Doupis played an important role for Loxton in the win over Barmera in Riverland A1 netball last Friday night.
PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Tigers continue perfect start

WITH six rounds of Riverland A1 netball in the books, Loxton is emerging as the team to beat yet again, currently holding an undefeated record, and extending its winning streak on Friday night against Barmera at the Barmera Recreation Centre.

Loxton burst away to an 11-goal lead at the opening break, and when the margin was extended to as much as 20 by the final change, the damage was done.

The Tigers finished the game strongly too, scoring 18 goals to nine to record a 29-goal victory, and prove they are the team to beat yet again.

Mackella Hogan again starred in the goal shooter position with 58 to her name, while Elise Foulds’ run through the centre of the court was

too dominant for Barmera.

Leah Uren also played a crucial role in the goal keeper position in an entertaining duel with the in-form Jenna Selfe, holding her to 23 goals.

Ayla Gilgen also fought valiantly for Barmera, making vital plays in the wing defence position, and sending her side forward at every opportunity.

Elsewhere, Loxton North held off a spirited comeback from Berri in the final quarter, finishing with a six-goal victory at The Precinct.

North got away to a strong start in the opening half, bursting away to an eight-goal advantage, which was enough to hold off a fast-finishing Berri outfit.

Maddie Groth and Brooke Pietrolaj were dominant in midcourt, providing Loxton North with run

and energy, enabling it to bring the ball forward at every opportunity.

Groth finished with 20 goals on the night, combining well with Helen Schober, who recorded 28.

Amelia Morgan fought hard for Berri, and helped drag the side back into the game with a strong showing across the defensive half of the court, while Brooke Franks’ 31 goals gave the visitors some hope.

This weekend sees the SA Netball Country Championships take place with three Riverland sides competing at the SA Netball Stadium on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.

Riverland A1 netball makes its return on 14 June, when Berri takes on Barmera at the Toyota Arena, and Renmark hosts Loxton North at the Alan Coulter Recreation Centre.



Barmera’s Hallie Hodgson takes a shot despite pressure from her Loxton opponent. PHOTO: supplied

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	LOXTON NORTH	V	BERRI		
LOXTON NORTH	12		25	37	48
BERRI	8		17	30	42
BEST: Loxton North - M. Groth, B. Pietrolaj. Berri - A. Morgan, B. Franks.					
	LOXTON	V	BARMERA		
LOXTON	21		31	51	69
BARMERA	10		20	31	40
BEST: Loxton - E. Foulds, L. Uren. Barmera - J. Selfe, A. Gilgen.					

A2 Loxton North 64 d Berri 48. BEST: Loxton North - L. Sandland, J. Barry. Berri - C. Reid, M. O’Leary-Fletcher.	15B Loxton North 46 d Renmark White 14. BEST: Loxton North - K. Sheffield, M. Lloyd. Renmark White - E. Lang, C. Munn.
Barmera 52 d Loxton 41. BEST: Barmera - K. Tsorotiotis, K. Schwertfeger. Loxton - Z. Duthie, R. Lambert.	Loxton 33 d Barmera 31. BEST: details not provided.
Renmark 59 d Waikerie 39. BEST: Renmark - T. Moldovan, L. Gardner. Waikerie - S. Glacken, J. Kuchel.	15C Loxton North 47 d Barmera 4. BEST: Loxton North - P. Size, A. Miller. Barmera - details not provided.
B1 Waikerie 69 d Renmark 25. BEST: Waikerie - L. Bevan. Renmark - S. Thompson.	Berri 46 d Renmark 8. BEST: Berri - C. Wilson, A. Wenman. Renmark - I. Burgess, W. Tippet.
Loxton North 53 d Berri 35. BEST: Loxton North - M. Athanasopoulos, K. Edmead. Berri - N. Pfitzner, N. Pitt.	13A Berri 39 d Loxton North 13. BEST: Berri - E. Cresp, S. Heward. Barmera - I. Miller, I. Williams.
B2 Loxton North Navy 49 d Waikerie 30. BEST: Loxton North Navy - S. Drogemuller, C. Oldman. Waikerie - S. Paschke, A. Wurst.	Loxton 72 d Barmera 14. BEST: Loxton - M. Gum, M. Schwarza Silva. Barmera - A. Vallelonga, M. Hughes.
Renmark 44 d Berri 42. BEST: Renmark - S. Tippet, A. Young. Berri - L. Dayman, C. Waye.	Renmark 42 d Waikerie 28. BEST: Renmark - S. Gill, J. Webb. Waikerie - I. Venning, G. Zarmbalas.
Cobdogla 49 d Barmera 33. BEST: Cobdogla - K. Fletcher, K. Hallam. Berri - J. Kropinyeri, R. Ponsonby.	13B Loxton Gold 42 d Berri 18. BEST: Loxton Gold - T. Ogle, M. Cozens. Waikerie - Z. Verco, M. Ryder.
C1 Loxton North 62 d Berri 23. BEST: Loxton North - A. Pavlich. Berri - K. Rapisarda, R. Sullivan.	Loxton Black 38 d Barmera 7. BEST: details not provided.
Loxton 38 d Barmera 33. BEST: Loxton - A. White, R. Brown. Barmera - details not provided	Renmark 40 d Waikerie 8. BEST: Renmark - R. Phan, L. McConchie. Waikerie - N. Cartledge, C. Collins.
C2 Monash 46 d Barmera 31. BEST: Monash - K. Knight, S. Coulthard. Barmera - E. Ivanovic.	13C Renmark Blue 18 d Renmark White 14. BEST: details not provided.
Waikerie 43 d Renmark 29. BEST: Waikerie - P. Collins, E. Richardson. Renmark - L. Elliott, E. Smith.	Cobdogla 32 d Loxton 12. BEST: Cobdogla - C. Ogle, M. Trigg. Loxton - S. Santini, I. Walkington.
17A Loxton North 58 d Berri 31. BEST: Loxton North - I. Drake, S. Hentschke. Berri - T. Hunt.	Loxton North 25 d Berri 22. BEST: Loxton North - E. Bradtke, A. Stone. Berri - E. Wilson, K. Nugent.
Barmera 70 d Renmark 21. BEST: Barmera - details not provided. Renmark - L. Rothe, L. Webb.	11A Loxton North 22 d Berri 14. BEST: Loxton North - L. May, L. Paull. Berri - W. Roger, M. Drake.
17B Loxton North Navy 54 d Renmark Blue 32. BEST: Loxton North Navy - H. Beames, K. King. Renmark - E. Mouton, H. Teare.	Loxton 21 d Barmera 3. BEST: details not provided.
Barmera 38 d Renmark White 32. BEST: Barmera - details not provided. Renmark White - A. McDonald, E. Singleton.	Renmark 32 d Waikerie 8. BEST: Renmark - E. Hammond, L. McLeod. Waikerie - C. Golding, R. Paschke.
15A Berri 53 d Loxton North 46. BEST: Berri - S. Glen, A. Heward. Loxton North - L. Hutchinson, I. Drogemuller.	11B Loxton 31 d Loxton North 7. BEST: Loxton - A. Hansen, Z. Thompson. Loxton North - S. Koehne, C. Lynch.
Barmera 60 d Loxton 15. BEST: details not provided.	Renmark 15 d Berri 6. BEST: Renmark - I. Taylor, A. Arkan. Renmark - C. Drake, M. Singh.
Renmark 32 d Waikerie 24. BEST: Renmark - M. Poole, M. Lock. Waikerie - G. Gay, K. Gore.	11C Loxton 21 d Barmera 5. BEST: Loxton - O. Curtis, M. Wehrmuller. Barmera - I. Roberts, M. Millard.
	Waikerie 10 d Renmark 4. BEST: Waikerie - L. Gosse, E. Waterson. Renmark - N. Seekamp, M. Shorrock.



Loxton North and Berri faced off in Riverland A1 netball on Friday night.

River represents South Australia

LACHLAN DAND

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River has etched his name in the Rivergum Chrisitan College school folklore, having set several athletics records.

“When he goes to school functions he receives a lot of accolades for his many efforts,” Ms Dowling said.

“He holds records for the long jump, high jump, 100m and 200m in his age group for the school.

“He went to Adelaide and won a lot of awards, and he just loves it and every kid likes accolades so it’s a great reward.”

Currently, River is training for the beginning of the Athletics Australia Interclub meets, as well as the SA League Gifts Series.

He plans to travel interstate for gift competitions later in the year, and Ms Dowling said River prepares for each race at a high standard.

“The Pacific Games next year is one of his upcoming goals to compete in, but we’re also heading across to Tasmania at the end of the year to compete in the gifts they have over there,” Ms Dowling said.

“He won the under 14s event at

the Loxton Nippy’s Gift in 2022, and he’s got a good idea of how they work and he quite enjoyed it.

“Everyone enjoys winning on their home turf, so it was great for him to win that and get that sense of pride.

“He’s dedicated with his diet and exercise, and follows everything his coaches say to him and carries them out.

“Fitness is a daily thing, both in the morning and afternoon with weight training or time running.

“He knows his other competitors’ times and running styles, as well as following the athletes on TV, so he’s really dedicated to what he does.”

River receives coaching when he is in Adelaide and Mildura, however, he has spent significant time with local coach Arshpinder Singh.

Singh helped take River to gym sessions, and is someone Ms Dowling has seen as crucial to his journey thus far.

“Flinders Academy have a great set of coaches, who have trained some of the best athletes in the world, and they’re great for the mental side of it too,” Ms Dowling said.

“Arsh has been great, and even



Renmark’s River Dowling recently represented South Australia.
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though he’s a little bit older than River, it’s something which has worked out really well.

“He’s been great in River’s ability to go out on the track and train out in Renmark, or help out in the gym on the treadmill.

“Even though he doesn’t realise it, he’s been a big part of River’s journey up until this point.”



The Lake Bonney Yacht Club began its winter season on Saturday afternoon. PHOTOS: supplied

Winter racing hits the Lake Bonney Yacht Club

THE first weekend of winter brought about the start of the Lake Bonney Yacht Club’s winter racing series.

Sailors were greeted with a five-to-eight knot south-easterly breeze in warm conditions.

Race one results after corrected yardstick times calculated saw ‘Viper LD’ in first place, skippered by Geoff Ling, Beau Delaine’s ‘Bandit’ in second spot, and John Eshman’s ‘Maniac’ round out the top three.

The race two result saw ‘Viper LD’ in top spot, ‘Bandit’ finished in second spot, and Lake Cullulleraine’s Andrew Giles round out the top three on ‘Tijuana Taxi’.

New member Joel Edson competed well on his Laser “Clean Slate” finishing in the mix, in a positive start to the season.

The next race day is on 6 July, with a start time of 12.30pm.

Berri Golf Club correction:

A DETAIL contained in last week’s Murray Pioneer story headed ‘Berri Golf Club reaches milestone’ was incorrect.

The story stated that Kym Traeger is the current course superintendent at the Berri Golf Club.

In fact, Robbie Vagg is the current course superintendent.

McKinnon takes Riverland darts latest event

RIVERLAND darts held its double start double finish event at the Lyrup Club in front of an enthusiastic crowd last week.

Waikerie Vipers’ Shane McKinnon put in a strong display to reach the final, closely followed by Cobdogla Eagles’ Allen Hargreaves.

McKinnon bounced back in the final following a strong start by Hargreaves to claim the final and take home the title.

Lyrup Lionhearts’ Russell Burgess had the highest peg of the night with 110, while Ray Stemp hit the 120 mark twice.

Meanwhile at the Riverland Gawler Challenge held at the Barmera Club, the Riverland men’s teams were able to come away victorious.

The first division men set up the win in the doubles by leading 7-2, and increased the margin throughout to record a 27-20 victory.

The Riverland will travel to Mt Gambier this weekend to play in the SA Country Championships.

The competitive team will comprise Shane McKinnon, Calib Martin, Jason Willett, Allen Hargreaves, Noel Petey, Wayne Bonham, Mark Hammerling, Kendall Hayes and Michelle Hayes.

RIVERLAND GOLF

BERRI
Wednesday 29 May – Stableford
M. Cartwright 38 pts, D. Shawyer 36, S. Pitt 36, C. McKinlay 36, M. Menz 34, M. Boon 33, J. Skinner 33.
Saturday 1 June – Men’s and Ladies Foursomes Championships
Men’s Champions B. Eckermann/P. Mudge, Runners up W. Thiele/M. Howie
Nett D. Gregoric/J. Staunton, Runners up R. Vagg/D. Dawson
Ladies Champions AM Crease / K. Wyman, Runners up W. Hocevar/J. Curren
Nett L. Smith/G. Mack. Runners up A. Thiel/J. Day
Sunday 2 June - Stableford
G. Tognon 34 pts, C. Berry 34. L. Berry 33.

LOXTON
Wednesday 29 May
Men – K. Wagnitz 42, D. Unferdorben 40, S. Alexander (Barmera) 37, A. Hume 36, D. Marsland 35, E. O Callaghan 34, G. White 33, P. Harman 32.
Women – M. Thomson 40, S. Pannell 36, S. Trumper (Phillip Island) 35, B. Rollbusch 32.
Saturday 1 June
Monthly Medal Winners – Men – A. Lodge nett 67. Women – Y. Reynolds, nett 74.
Men A – A. Lodge nett 67, S. Palat 73, B. Proud 73, D. Unferdorben 74, B. Whitelaw 74, A. Hume 74, B. Chapman 74, P. Harman 75, M. Koch (West Lakes) 75, M. Maczkowiack 75.
Men B – G. Polymiadis nett 71, G. White 74, P. Hopper 75, K. Wagnitz 75, J. Davies (Berri) 77, A. Ling 77, J. Koch 77.
Women – Y. Reynolds nett 74, M. Thomson 76, S. Pendle 77, J. Ling 79.



SAASTA ABORIGINAL POWER CUP 2024: Riverland SAASTA Academy members spent last week at Alberton Oval for the football carnival, careers expo, and cultural immersion. PHOTO: Facebook

Table tennis top two on a roll

THE top two sides in the Riverland table tennis competition have pushed further ahead on the ladder, as round four saw Desperados defeat Crushers, and Bit Edgy prove too strong for A Team.

The first fixture saw Desperados push off a valiant Crushers outfit, with Dennis Robinson holding off the charge, helping secure a 13-11 victory.

Having won five of the eight doubles rubber fixtures, Desperados built a lead too great to peg back, despite Barry Williams' strong efforts for Crushers.

Elsewhere, Bit Edgy recorded a percentage-boosting 17-7 victory, with A Team managing just a singular doubles match victory.

Frank Sullivan was in strong form for Bit Edgy, in an intense battle with A Team's Rylan Coppin, with the third rubber's margin proving the difference.

RESULTS
Desperados 13 d Crushers 11
Doubles
D. Robinson/P. Haenen lost to D. Nitschke/B. Williams; M. Rose/A. Hughes d B. Heuzenroeder/A. Lau; D. Robinson/M. Rose d D. Nitschke/B. Heuzenroeder; P. Haenen/A. Hughes



Dennis Robinson focuses on a return shot.



Frank Sullivan in action in the latest round of Riverland table tennis. PHOTOS: supplied

lost to B. Williams/A. Lau; N. Dyer/J. Schwarz lost to C. Ward/L. Cheng; L. Harris/J. Livingston-Bornholm lost to S. Dixon/G. McIntosh; N. Dyer/L. Harris lost to C. Ward/S. Dixon; J. Livingston-Bornholm/C. Georg lost to G. McIntosh/L. Cheng.

Singles
D. Robinson lost to D. Nitschke; P. Haenen d D. Nitschke; D. Robinson d B. Williams; P. Haenen lost to B. Williams; M. Rose lost to B. Heuzenroeder; A. Hughes lost to B. Heuzenroeder; M. Rose d A. Lau; A. Hughes d A. Lau; N. Dyer lost to C. Ward; J. Schwarz d C. Ward; N. Dyer d L. Cheng; J. Schwarz d L. Cheng; L. Harris lost to S. Dixon; J. Livingston-Bornholm lost to S. Dixon; L. Harris d G. McIntosh; J. Livingston-Bornholm, lost to G. McIntosh.

Bit Edgy 17 d A Team 7
Doubles
R. Coppin/P. Rogers lost to F. Sullivan/S. Watson; P. Reid/C. Carson d D. Badger/

E. Li-Guo; R. Coppin/P. Reid lost to F. Sullivan/D. Badger; P. Rogers/C. Carson lost to S. Watson/E. Li-Guo; S. Adamczyk/D. Badram lost to C. Gaskin/M. Chappell; B. Livingston-Bornholm/N. Johnson lost to A. Harris/S. Adamczyk; S. Adamczyk/B. Livingston-Bornholm lost to C. Gaskin/A. Harris; D. Badram/N. Johnson lost to M. Chappell/S. Adamczyk.

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Found: Eagles reunited with their '84 flag

THE mystery of Cobdogla Football Club's missing 1984 premiership flag may has solved.

In The Murray Pioneer last week, and other local media, the club put out a plea for anyone with knowledge of the flag's whereabouts to come forward, ahead of a 40-year premiership reunion next month.

Reunion spokesperson Dean Drogemuller has told The Pioneer that the precious possession has since been locatd.

"I am glad to say it has been

Missing: One premiership flag



●Last week's Murray Pioneer

found and can now be displayed at our 40th reunion," Mr Drogemuller said.

Coached by RFL legend Roger Nettle, the star-studded Cobdogla side – featuring many well-known local faces – upset Brown's Well by 37 points to claim the RFL Independent title in 1984.

SMALL BORE RIFLE CLUB:

RESULTS from last week's Renmark Small Bore Rifle Club's Geoff Pearce Memorial Trophy shoot:
50m shoot: R. Ward 100.9, 100.10, 100.8, 99.8, 100.4, 99.3, 598; M. Cresp 97.4, 100.7, 99.6, 100.7, 100.8, 99.8, 595; B. Lacey 98.5, 100.8, 98.5, 98.7, 99.6, 98.7, 591.

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ROVERS KEEP CUP



LACHLAN DAND

RENMARK defeated Waikerie by 20 points in their RFL A grade clash to claim the 16th edition of the Gill/Lehmann Cup on Saturday.

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Renmark took home the Gill/Lehmann Cup with a 20-point victory over Waikerie on Saturday afternoon. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

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