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Re-elected Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone celebrating his State Election success at his home on Saturday night with (from left) his daughter Eliza Whetstone, partner Della Brinsley, mother Judy Coombe and sister Jenny Veitch.

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## High school takes cautious approach to rise in positive cases...

# Covid classroom closures

**ELYSE ARMANINI**

A RIVERLAND high school has closed year 11 and 12 classes for three days following a "significant" rise in Covid-positive cases among students and staff.

In a statement released on Monday night, Berri Regional

Secondary College principal Emily Griggs informed parents and caregivers of ongoing positive cases and the consequent need for a short "circuit breaker" from Tuesday to Thursday this week.

"Monday morning, I was presented with the information that we had a significant number of cases

that came through positive from the weekend," Mrs Griggs said.

"Considering the local contextual information about the number of large community events that happened over the weekend, I was in conversation with the Department for Education and SA Health, and we made the decision together to

put this circuit breaker in place."

The decision for students to return to school this Friday, rather than take the rest of the week off and return Monday, March 28, was directed by the Department and SA Health.

"We don't want to interrupt learning any more than what we

need to, and they felt three days was appropriate," Mrs Griggs said.

Explicit teaching will not be provided during the circuit breaker, however Mrs Griggs said year 11 and 12 students were being encouraged to continue with school work at home.

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# Council votes to move forward on Jane Eliza Estate development proposals... 'Premium' spots

A RIVERLAND council has moved a step closer to selecting a developer for a large-scale project aimed at constructing "premium" housing, plus new commercial and entertainment outlets.

Renmark Paringa Councillors – at a special meeting held on March 10 – passed a motion to request detailed proposals from selected developers for the Jane Eliza Estate development in Renmark.

A Renmark Paringa spokesperson said the opportunity council is bringing to market would ideally include "780 premium residential allotments, a nationally significant and enlarged marina – with aligned

industries – and a new commercial and entertainment precinct".

Council's stated vision for the site is to:

- Provide a high-quality mixed-use master planned estate and address current housing supply constraints.

- Support the long-term population and economic growth opportunities of Renmark, including driving further demand from new residents to relocate to the region.

- Facilitate investment in a nationally significant mixed-use marina and marine precinct as a key tourism infrastructure asset.

- Deliver a superior level of amenity for the township and

surrounding region including high-quality public realm and diverse recreational attractions for both locals and tourists.

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It is understood developers have been given approximately 10 weeks to prepare detailed proposals for the project, with council to then consider the proposals over a four-week period.

Further information regarding the Jane Eliza Estate development can be found by visiting the council website ([www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/build-invest/investwithus/jane-eliza-development](http://www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/build-invest/investwithus/jane-eliza-development)).



A concept design for the redeveloped Jane Eliza Estate marina area. IMAGE: supplied

## RPC says trees have to leave

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

A RIVERLAND council is set to remove numerous trees from a main street due to safety risks posed to the local community.

Renmark Paringa councillors passed a motion at last month's general meeting to remove two olive trees overhanging a walkway over Ral Ral Avenue – between Cowra Street and Murtho Street – in order to minimise a risk of tripping in the area.

A council report on the matter said olives from the trees – which had previously been harvested by locals – were falling onto the walkway.

"Council staff have raised concerns with 10 olive trees located on Ral Ral Avenue, Renmark that are emitting bad odours from the dropped olives when they are mowed over and causing a slipping hazard on the walkway connecting footpaths on Ral Ral Avenue," the report said.

"In previous years the olives were harvested by a couple of volunteers on a gentleman's agreement with council. In recent years this has not been occurring.

"As the olive trees are no longer being harvested and causing hazards and odours, council staff recommend that two of the olive trees be removed.

"Staff will monitor smells from mowing



Renmark Paringa Council

over olives on the ground from the remaining trees and re-evaluate in due course."

As part of the motion, a eucalyptus tree located at 20197 Renmark Avenue will remain in place, while five eucalyptus spathulata trees along Ral Ral Avenue – between Cowra Street and Thurst Street – will be replaced.

The council report said damaged caused to the footpath by tree roots had created a safety hazard.

"Council staff can repair the footpath though this will cause significant damage to the five eucalyptus spathulata trees in this area," the report said.

"Council staff recommend the removal of five eucalyptus spathulata trees, repairing the footpath and planting a more suitable variety, *geijera parviflora*, which will also create uniformity in the vicinity."



Renmark Paringa Council will remove two olive trees overhanging the walkway over Ral Ral Avenue, between Cowra Street and Murtho Street. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

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# Nicola’s back for eight more years

PAUL MITCHELL

SAFELY ensconced in the state’s upper house until 2030, Riverlander Nicola Centofanti says she will focus on regional health, agriculture and horticulture in her new term as Liberal MLC.

As expected, the Liberals won four Legislative Council seats at Saturday’s 2022 State Election, meaning Ms Centofanti earned two terms in the upper house, after being placed third on the Liberal Party ticket.

Despite describing her party’s election defeat as “extremely disappointing”, Ms Centofanti said she remained proud of the Marshall government’s achievements and determined to continue working for SA regions.

“I think that as a government we achieved a great deal in four years for the state that we can be proud of,” she said.

“Things like massive upgrades to regional roads and infrastructure, upgrades to a significant number of hospitals and emergency departments, reaching a well-overdue agreement with country GPs to provide better pay and conditions, and abolition of the small business payroll tax to name just a few.

“But the people of SA have spoken and I respect that.

“I’m keen to advocate for regional issues going forward. Agriculture and horticulture are certainly some of my key focus areas, and regional health.”

Ms Centofanti ascended to the Legislative Council in April 2020, filling a casual vacancy caused by the resignation of Andrew McLachlan.

The former local vet said she spent election night with her children “sitting around the TV”. Ms Centofanti campaigned in the Elder, Waite and Kavel seats over the past weeks.



Liberal Legislative Council Member Nicola Centofanti at the Berri pre-poll centre last Friday, ahead of Saturday’s State Election. PHOTO: supplied

## ‘Why did Labor go missing on Saturday?’

LABOR’S lack of presence across Chaffey during the State Election campaign and again on election day is cause for concern, re-elected MLC Nicola Centofanti says.

Labor’s Chaffey candidate Jo Sutton failed to appear in the electorate during the campaign, while Labor helpers were scarce across Chaffey polling booths last Saturday, sparking suggestions the party – which swept to government on the back of a mas-

sive, near-statewide swing – ignored locals.

“I started my stint on election day at the Berri polling booth and we didn’t see the Labor candidate, nor did we see any Labor volunteers,” Ms Centofanti said.

“There weren’t actually any Labor how-to-vote cards there.

“Again I think that’s indicative of what we’ve come to expect with Labor, particularly in a number of

Liberal seats.

“They knew Chaffey wasn’t a seat they would pick up, and because of that we didn’t see a whole lot of promises in our area. Again that’s pretty disappointing, but certainly we’ve got an excellent member in Tim Whetstone who will continue to do his best to advocate for our region.

“I will certainly be doing that from the upper house.”

- PAUL MITCHELL



Former Liberal member for Chaffey Kent Andrew handing out how-to-vote cards at the Ramco Hall polling booth on Saturday. PHOTO: Christine Webster

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## Pasin tees off at SA Libs

TONY Pasin has weighed into the SA Liberals’ State Election loss, saying decisions made over the past four years were “at odds” with the party’s ideology.

Mr Pasin, the federal Member for Barker, was critical of his party’s performance in SA, and outlined to the ABC a list of decisions that he believed proved costly, including retaining the Covid-19 state of emergency declaration for too long, land

tax changes, cancelling the Adelaide 500 V8 Supercars race, and decriminalising abortion.

Mr Pasin also told the ABC that the party’s decision to deny some membership applications from Pentecostal Christian in 2021 was another misstep.

“They were decisions that were at odds with the ideology of the Liberal Party but they were symptoms of a

deeper cause and that deeper cause was the failure to ensure balance in our party,” he said.

“There are some people who were elected on the weekend who, I think, will need to consider whether they are likely to be part of the team in four years’ time and the years after that and, if they’re not, they might need to consider what’s in the best interests of the Liberal Party.”



The scene at the Lutheran Peace Hall in Loxton on Saturday morning as locals flocked to vote in the 2022 State Election.



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Mr Whetstone admitted his was fearful of what an SA Labor government could mean for the state's regions, but said he was prepared to give the Malinauskas-led team a chance.

"If they are true to form, the regions will be almost cut off," he said. "But the only way we'll get favourable outcomes is if I have a considered approach and a working relationship with not only Peter Malinauskas, but his government."

"My call to him first and foremost is to honour the recurrent spending that was committed to Chaffey."

"I have a reasonable relationship with Peter Malinauskas and I'll continue to work on that."

Mr Whetstone said programs announced during the Marshall government's term in office were important for the Riverland and needed to be retained.

"There were programs like retaining and training doctors, and particularly the road funding that

directly impacts people in Chaffey, like Sturt Highway safety upgrades, as well as the Truro bypass," he said.

"We need to have a commitment from the incoming government that they are going to fix and maintain our roads, not just reduce speed limits, as they previously did."

For the second time in a week, Mr Whetstone also referenced a pre-election comment about the Riverland made by Mr Malinauskas, using it to highlight his concerns.

"(Mr) Malinauskas suggested the Riverland regularly relied on those in Adelaide for economic support," Mr Whetstone said.

"That's fair enough, but what he forgot to say is that Adelaide needs us. We put food on their tables, as a community we are a tourism destination, and we are an economic powerhouse of South Australia."

"And the Riverland's brand is part of SA's iconic 'clean green' food label that goes onto international tables."

"Mr Malinauskas needs to be focused on programs that will help drive people into the regions for employment, so that we can continue to grow, harvest and market the food."

Mr Whetstone said the Covid-19 pandemic had played a role in his party's heavy defeat.

"We potentially tried to fix everything up in the first term, as well as dealing with the pandemic," he said.

"And we had to fix up a lot of Labor's mess."



Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone voting in Renmark on Saturday. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

## Deputy option?

A SHOT at the role of deputy leader of the State Opposition could be on the cards for Tim Whetstone, but a spot on the shadow cabinet remains his main goal.

Former premier Steven Marshall stepped down as SA Liberal Party leader this week, after his party's resounding defeat at Saturday's State Election.

Re-elected for a fourth term as Chaffey MP, Mr Whetstone ruled out a run at the top job, but said the second-in-command position held some appeal.

"I'm not inclined to be a leader of an opposition," he said. "I'm much more of a team player, whether it's sport, politics or business – so a deputy leader potentially, but I'll let that pan out."

"Deputy is more about helping and protecting the leader, but shadow cabinet is my main focus."

## Chaffey rare bright spot for Libs

TIM Whetstone's showing at last Saturday's 2022 State Election was a rare bright spot for the SA Liberals.

On a dismal day for the outgoing Steven Marshall-led Liberal government, Mr Whetstone's first-preference count in Chaffey was up 6.7 per cent on his 2018 numbers, while the crucial two-candidate preferred count saw him drop just 1.2 per cent, well below the statewide 7.6 per cent swing against the Liberals.

With 64 per cent of the vote counted, Mr Whetstone led Labor's Jo Sutton 66.4 per cent to 33.6 per cent.

It was the fourth straight election win for Mr Whetstone, who entered parliament in 2010 after unseating former Nationals member-turned Labor minister Karlene Maywald.

The surprise packet of the 2022 Chaffey count was One Nation candidate Sab Feleppa, who polled over 10 per cent of first-preference votes, believed to be the second highest figure in the state for the Pauline Hanson-founded party.

Mr Whetstone's strong showing bucked the statewide trend, which saw Labor swept to power after just four years in opposition.

"I think Chaffey voters saw what a

### FIRST PREFERENCE VOTES

8427	Tim Whetstone (LIB)
3167	Jo Sutton (ALP)
1659	Sab Feleppa (ONP)
940	Trevor Schloithe (GRN)
884	Damien Buijs (NAT)
604	Mathew Francis (FFP)

### TWO-CANDIDATE PREFERRED

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### INFORMAL VOTES (Chaffey 5.1%) Major booths

Barmera	2.2%
Berri	7.0%
Loxton	5.2%
Renmark	6.7%
Waikerie	5.6%

Liberal government did for this area," Mr Whetstone said.

"People were appreciative and they voted that way."

Chaffey again had one of the highest informal votes in the state of 5.1 per cent.

Meanwhile by Monday morning Labor had officially eclipsed the required 24 seats to form government.

- PAUL MITCHELL



Tim Whetstone at the Riverland pre-polling facility last week with friend and Liberal Senator for SA Anne Ruston. PHOTO: supplied

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

## Rating our six local candidates

SATURDAY’S 2022 State Election rates as a good day personally for re-elected Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, but a terrible day for his party, again cast into political exile after just one term in power.

Mr Whetstone’s vote remained rock solid and many would see it as reward for his steady-as-she-goes approach, notwithstanding a mid-term mishap that brought about his demotion from ministry.

Now back in opposition, it is not unreasonable to expect the Liberals and whoever leads them to elevate Mr Whetstone to a prominent role within the party. The agriculture and water portfolios spring to mind, and even the position of deputy leader.

As a contest, it was a mostly uninspiring Chaffey campaign, mainly because of the lack of a visible, viable Labor alternative.

One Nation provided the only real surprise packet, harvesting over 10 per cent of the local vote.

Mr Whetstone has suggested, more than once, that a good portion of One Nation’s vote leaked from Labor, but given Labor’s vote actually increased, albeit slightly, even though the party essentially ran dead in Chaffey, not everyone would agree with that viewpoint.

One Nation candidate Sab Feleppa evidently knows lots of people in the Riverland, and that surely accounted for some of the 10 per cent of the first-preference votes he landed.

On a state level, One Nation looks a real chance of grabbing an upper house seat, which would be a remarkable achievement from this polarising party. It again suggests a splintered conservative vote.

Nationals Chaffey candidate Damien Buijs would be disappointed with his relatively poor showing at the polls. His 5.6 per cent of first-preference votes failed to reflect his campaign effort, particularly his availability to the media.

Unfortunately, unfairly or otherwise, the Nationals brand is on the nose in SA, and running against the Liberals defies logic, given the two form a national coalition. One gets the feeling the SA Liberals would be pleased if the Nationals faded back into obscurity in our state.

The Greens also polled poorly in Chaffey, well below the party’s state figure.

Good on Trevor Schloithe for having a go, and at the very least he was a truly local candidate – as pointed out by Mr Whetstone during the campaign.

Mr Schloithe would be the first to admit he strides the spotlight uncomfortably, but he will be better prepared next time around, should he again step forward.

We didn’t see the Family First candidate, which was a shame, but at least upper house candidate and former state Labor MP Tom Kenyon made an appearance at the Australian Christian Lobby forum in Loxton.

And finally to Labor and its Chaffey candidate Jo Sutton.

Probably the best that can be said about her candidacy is at least it existed, giving diehard Labor voters somewhere to park their vote.

However, we trust her non-appearance is anything but a portent to what lays ahead for Chaffey under Labor in the coming four years.

New SA Premier Peter Malinauskas is an impressive individual, who campaigned strongly and enters his premiership carrying few battle scars and even less questions hanging over his character.

We hope, for the state’s sake, he is a fair and wise premier, who has Chaffey well and truly on his radar at all times.

From Mr Whetstone’s viewpoint, getting outcomes from outside government may be harder, but it is familiar territory, having spent his first two terms in opposition.



**Sue Rayson and Teresa Dansie, 1982 Loxton Mardi Gras:** Sue Rayson, sponsored by Apex, was Silver Jubilee 25th Mardi Gras Queen and Teresa Dansie (Loxton Primary School), was Charity Queen. Both titleholders won holidays to Alice Springs, sponsored by TAA and Ansett, and a \$100 Commonwealth Bank travel voucher. The girls were crowned by Diana Fisher, ABC TV panellist from The Inventors. Diana had interviewed each entrant including Genevive Dalzell (Rotary), Joanne Henderson (Aquatic Club), Diane Lindner (Rural Youth) and Heather Wright (Lions Club). The Princess winner was nine-year-old Amanda Richardson, of Paruna. Guest MC was John Ovenden, ABC newsreader who compered Friday night’s SA Police Band’s concert at the Loxton High School theatre. The 1981 Loxton Citizen of the Year, Frank Henschke, received his award from Mayor Peter Jackson. The 11 committee members included: Wally Schollar (chair), Connie Kelly and Dianne Biddle (Queen event co-ordinators), Shirley Neale (Princesses), Roy Harvey (soap box derby), Robert Turner (pageant), Murray Viney (stalls), Felix Fielke (council rep), Bob Prettejohn (community centre) and Don Petch (treasurer). SA Premier David Tonkin opened the parade with the SA Police Cadre and Police Band leading. Other bands included The Highland Band, and Renmark Citizens’ Silver Band. PHOTO: Mardi Gras Archives

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### The blame game

IT’S the war. It’s climate change. It’s the government’s fault. My cousin’s washing machine broke down. Quick, put up the price of fuel.

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As soon as there is a trace of consumer blood in the water the corporate outlets smash out a shark-inspired feeding frenzy.

Please look after the “little man” because they are the epitome of the core values we need to be decent people.

JON BERRY  
Monash

### Secure Westpac site against future plans

THE decision of the elected members regarding the Westpac site in Renmark is to be applauded.

They have remained steadfast in their process, were not excited by proposals, and honoured the original intent to open the river front, against some strong pressure from sectional interests.

Well done for their resolve to

represent the broader community opinion.

It is a pity that this proposal reduced to a discussion about a large-scale accommodation facility.

It is agreed by both sides of the debate that development of high-end, river-front accommodation is sorely needed. This debate is about the suitability of the Westpac site in particular for this, as the place with the very highest social value to the residents of Renmark.

There are several challenges remaining, however.

The first is to deploy the site to achieve the goal of attracting and holding people in the centre of our town, perhaps with the target demographic being complementary to that for the Taylor Park, young families, so extending the appeal of both sites.

This can be much more than “lawn”, as described by Tim Whetstone (Murray Pioneer 19/2/22), without losing the views of our river front.

It would be fantastic if the venue could be lowered into the landscape so the view of the river is not impeded by any development. This also needs to be done collaboratively with the Renmark Club.

Imagine an outdoor eatery at water level or a promenade deck below the eyeline, with online app of food ordering from all hospitality venues in Renmark, similar to those that line many waterways around the world.

There are many possibilities, but we are presented with a great opportunity for Renmark.

The second is to identify alternative sites for accommodation development, with parameters of river views and being close to the centre of town.

The idea of developing the south side of Murray Avenue has appeal. The model of the Renmark Hotel works well, with both residents and tourists able to enjoy our great river front.

There are many other potential sites – reclaimed land between Patey Drive and the Sturt Highway, shop redevelopment on Murray Avenue, the Jane Eliza are some – with walking corridors into the centre of the

town and hospitality venues.

The third is for Renmark Paringa Council to develop a river-front development policy that seeks at every opportunity to secure river-front property for the community and considers the river front holistically rather than in a site-by-site way.

This avoids the current pattern of repeated divisive argument. Ideally, this would be a long-term policy of 100-plus years that covers Goolwa Street to 28<sup>th</sup> Street or more, transcending the Urban Design Framework.

The model where development is set back from the river’s edge, as in the Jane Eliza Estate, is one I strongly support because all stakeholder groups can enjoy the benefits arising from the river – a repeating theme.

There does not need to be competition for these sites between public amenity advocates and developers, not either/or but both. With strategic planning, all interest groups can continue to enjoy the amenity of the river and enjoy the benefits of economic development.

In this regard, it is a great pity that there was not the foresight to acquire the Angove land, retain the beautiful river-front portion, and release the rest to either residential or tourism development or both, in a similar model to the Jane Eliza. This would secure a river-front walk from the caravan parks to the centre of town and beyond, and it further highlights the need for a river-front policy.

Lastly, we, the community, need to secure the Westpac site against future proposals for inappropriate development: large scale, intrusive on the landscape, exclusive of the local community.

I urge the council to return the site to the Community Land Register. With the site being used as open space, it will become unimaginable to future Renmarkians that the site be developed.

This is certainly true for the other three sites secured by previous councils and other open river-front parks, namely the RFGC building (now Taylor Park) the bowling greens

between the Renmark Club and Visitor Information Centre, and other open river-front, such as Jarrett Memorial Gardens and more.

We have had great benefit from these spaces since they were acquired and there is little doubt we, residents and tourists, will be looking back in future and repeating this appreciation for the Westpac site. However, there is a security in knowing that future councils must consult with ratepayers before this land can be sold/developed, because we do not know how future councils may view this argument.

The community must be vigilant too, about the possibility of a “stacking” of council from powerful sectional interests at upcoming local government elections and exert pressure on the Renmark Club to maintain a pro-community approach and seek developments that are compatible with community opinion.

This goes beyond a desire to develop accommodation on the carpark site, perhaps by including a second story on the existing footprint.

Now that the decision has been made it is time to think about the possibilities for this site that enhance our greatest asset, for all to enjoy.

DAVID CROUCH  
Renmark

### Let homeless stay by the river

MALCOLM and Kathleen Tubb are spot on when they claim that tighter restrictions on some Riverland camping grounds have created problems (‘Camping ban hurts the needy’, Murray Pioneer, 16/3/22).

Although Malcolm and Kathleen may be referring to the less fortunate indigenous people, the problem reaches further than that.

I personally have friends who, through no fault of their own, have been through the family court system and have therefore been robbed of a roof over their head.

With little hope of ever renting or owning a home, they have



# “At what stage will councils back off and realise that the river is not theirs?”

- GARY MITCHELL



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bought second-hand caravans and have become completely self-sufficient with toilets and showers.

Caravan parks charge almost the same as a rental property, so these people consequently camp on the river or near the sea, wherever there is water.

Water is a natural resource, owned by nobody, and the River Murray is also a natural resource yet councils continually harass these people regardless of the fact that they obey all the necessary rules.

At what stage will councils back off and realise that the river is not theirs?

Why not have a permit that would need to be displayed so that my friends and others would be recognised as “in need” and be given a little leeway and support?

The little amount of money these people get is spent in the towns they stay near, so what is the big deal?

GARY MITCHELL  
Waikerie

## People still lining up to get the job

REMEMBER when everyone knew pro wrestling was fake and they didn’t care, they continued to watch it anyway? We are now there with politics, the media and Covid.

Senator Alex Antic revealed all via FOI, with documents from the politicians’ decision-making meetings that were based on medical advice.

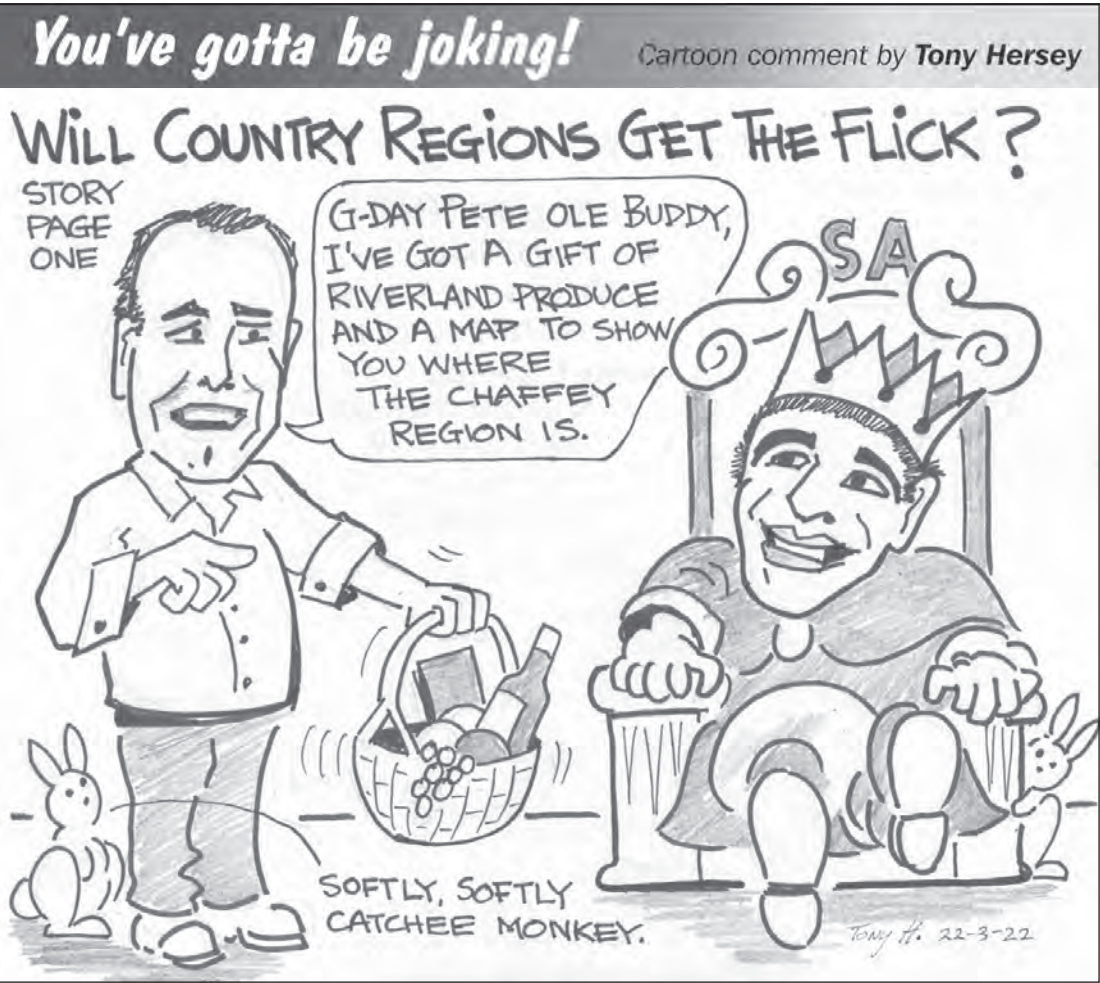
There are no medical facts or evidence that support the tyrannical restrictions, lockdowns or mandates. Yet people are still lining up to be tested or jabbed?

ZARA BELLA  
Loxton

## Confident in 2022 U3A memberships

I DON’T know about you , but as I get older, the time seems to go faster as we try to fit in family events, appointments and other activities.

Already we are past mid-



March and our first term activities are well under way.

There are a couple of new activities this term to add to our list of 16: cryptic crosswords, macramé and birdwatching. French conversation and card making programmed for the future.

According to our treasurer Shirley Sim’s statistics, despite events out of our control, we still have 159 financial members for 2021 and I am confident that 2022 will be similar.

It is interesting to note membership from individual Riverland council areas.

Renmark Paringa is 77, Berri Barmera is 55, Loxton Waikerie is 26. A few from the other small towns make up the numbers.

The average age of our members is 72.8 years. The youngest is 54 and the oldest a wonderful 95.

We have a very healthy bank

balance, thanks to our amazing grant officer Tony Guster. This allows us to keep the membership at a very low \$30 per annum.

The U3A Riverland AGM was held in early March and it was our pleasure to welcome Tony Pasin as our guest.

Mr Pasin was aware that we are an apolitical group and his address gave us an insight into his family background/heritage, his childhood and his pathway to his years as in politics.

It was quite inspiring and made him seem like a real person, not someone in the media trying to convince us to vote for them.

Of course we were thrilled to be presented with a cheque for \$8520: our Connecting Communities grant.

We have purchased a defibrillator, first-aid kit, and a new financial program for our treas-

ure. The remaining money will go towards airconditioning for the clubrooms.

After a delicious morning tea, with scones provided by Ellen Traeger, we gathered around the computer to hear and learn from U3A Adelaide member John Travers on how we could utilise Zoom as a group and as individuals at home.

At the conclusion of the meeting, thanks were given to retiring secretary and one of our founding members Daina Braddock, and retiring committee members Bev Hartigan and Meredith Dunn.

Enjoy this autumnal weather and as always you are reminded of the U3A motto and encouraged to “stay active physically, mentally and socially”.

MARIAN WOODBERRY  
Riverland president  
U3A

## TEXT LINE

are supposed to brush this off as a mistake? How do you reckon I would go working for a business claiming expenses I was not entitled to? At the least I would be out of a job.

THEO S  
Renmark

I read the front page story about fuel prices and Lyrup, and then I saw some people calling for a cut to the fuel tax taken by the government. As Peter Malinauskas said last week, it would make only a few cents difference per litre. It’s about the price of crude oil.

TOM  
Renmark

I love the Warburton’s Butcher ads in the *Pioneer* each week. They give me a smile. And yes, I do shop there now.

CHRIS  
Renmark

Lucky Waikerie doesn’t get much rain. The plant boxes that are clogging up footpaths are

already rusted. Instead of these monstrotities, shade should have been made for cars at the Waikerie river front.

KAY  
Waikerie

Not a bad effort by our local member last week with his face in *The Murray Pioneer* – 11 times. At least we won’t forget what he looks like.

DAVE  
Loxton

Just wondering whether the owners of the Renmark Square shopping centre could seriously look at deposits for trolleys? In our lovely town – from opposite the 21st Street distillery in a big, empty piece of land, over to Tolarno Street, the town area and beyond – there are so many laying around or in people’s yards. I think you would find a big effort by some to return them if money was involved.

DJ  
Renmark

## Looking back... 10 years ago March 23, 2012



Adelaide CBD deal another headache for Riverland businesses

## Public holiday pain

By VANESSA BLOOM, RIVERLAND BUREAU REPORTER  
The week’s public holiday trading has been a mixed bag for businesses in the Adelaide CBD. While some have seen a boost in sales, others have reported a decline. The Adelaide CBD has been hit hard by the public holiday trading ban. Many businesses have reported a significant drop in sales. Some have even reported a complete loss of business. The Adelaide CBD has been hit hard by the public holiday trading ban. Many businesses have reported a significant drop in sales. Some have even reported a complete loss of business.



ADELAIDE CBD DEAL ANOTHER HEADACHE FOR RIVERLAND BUSINESSES...PUBLIC HOLIDAY PAIN: This week’s public holiday trading deal aimed at filling Adelaide shops is likely to hurt Riverland traders. Under the deal, struck in the state’s Upper House, there will be two new public holidays from 7pm on Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve. The length of the public holidays was scaled down from a previous plan, which had them starting at 5pm on both nights.

## 20 years ago March 22, 2002



## Plaza plans revamp minus Target



PLAZA PLAN REVAMP MINUS TARGET: New plans to expand the Riverland Plaza shopping centre at Berri will be unveiled at a meeting of mall retailers on Monday night. The revised upgrade will not include a Target department store as originally proposed. Plaza property manager Justin Dangerfield said on Wednesday that the centre would be remodelled to include up to six specialty shops and one new major retailer.

At 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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Berri Regional Secondary College year 11 and 12 students will undergo three days of learning from home, in response to a number of Covid-19 cases at the school.  
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## Covid cases cause classroom closures

Continued from page 1

“The year 11 and 12s have a range of different skills around independent study, and by (not providing explicit teaching) we also provide opportunity for teachers to take on the reliefs that are needed within the school,” she said.

“Students have plenty of work they can continue on with and they have been provided with that information through our learning management system.”

The circuit-breaker process could be used again in the future if the classroom closure proves successful in reducing the spread of Covid-19.

“That (will be) at the discretion of individual local information and communication that I have with the Department and SA Health,” Mrs Griggs said.

“We just look to work together with what we think is best to mitigate the risk for our schooling community, but also the wider community.”

The school has received a level of “generalised feedback” about the implementation of the circuit breaker from parents.

“I’m encouraging any parent or student that needs specific help to reach out to us as a school individually and we’ll be able to help each individual person that comes through,” Mrs Griggs said.

All Berri Regional Secondary College students are strongly encouraged to monitor for symptoms and if symptoms develop, obtain a PCR test as soon as possible.

Meanwhile all year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students are free to attend classes if they do not exhibit symptoms, with the school continuing to monitor the situation.



Berri Barmera elected members last month heard council has the financial capacity to take on more new projects. Pictured outside the council chambers is Mayor Peter Hunt.

## Berri Barmera keeping ‘strong financial position’

JOSH BRINE

A RIVERLAND council has the financial capacity to take on more new projects, according to the chair of its audit committee.

Berri Barmera Council Audit Committee chair Tim Muhlhauser gave a deputiation to elected members last month to provide an update on council’s financial sustainability.

Berri Barmera acting CEO Peter Bond said council had asked Mr Muhlhauser to speak about where he saw its financial position.

“He’s got a reputation right through South Australia as a great advisor and being very knowledgeable about financial management,” Mr Bond said.

“We’re in a strong financial position and able to deliver our services to the community.”

Mr Muhlhauser told elect-

ed members that council’s long-term financial plan showed it was both financially sustainable and could “afford to maintain existing service levels”.

He also said council had “some financial capacity for new projects in the future”, but that these projects “must be strategic projects supporting (the) Strategic Community Plan”.

Mr Muhlhauser found council’s financial sustainability ratios were “mostly strong”, though he hoped to see “sustained improvement” in council’s asset renewal funding ratio – which indicates whether council has the capacity to fund asset renewals when required.

About 77 per cent of council’s revenue comes from its own sources – Mr Muhlhauser said 80 per cent was “considered strong” – while a further 15 per cent of

income comes from financial assistance grants.

Council’s cash and cash equivalents are projected to remain positive through the end of the 2030-31 financial year, increasing in the later years.

Meanwhile, council held its first meeting for discussions about the 2022-23 budget last Tuesday night.

Elected members had their first deliberations about \$9.6m of capital projects presented by council staff as budget bids.

Council will hold its next budget meeting on March 29, with draft financial statements and rating models to be presented.

A possible return to council’s normal 12 per cent cap on rate increases for residential properties will also be discussed, after council lowered the cap to 1.5 per cent for 2021-22.

“We’re in a strong financial position and able to deliver our services to the community...”

- Tim Muhlhauser  
Berri Barmera Council Audit Committee chair



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### Queen Elizabeth ‘Looking Back’ visit correction:

A DETAIL on a page in The Murray Pioneer last week was incorrect.

The Looking Back at 130 Years page (page 36) contained the following small headline: ‘Special royal visit of Queen Elizabeth II on March 25, 1945’.

It should have been 1954.

PAGE 35 Looking back



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# Excitement surrounds return of Field Days

ORGANISERS of the Riverland’s biggest agricultural showcase are “full of energy” for the event to return in September, following a two-year hiatus.

Preparations have begun for the 2022 Riverland Field Days, after Covid-19 restrictions forced the event’s cancellation for the past two years.

Riverland Field Days chairman Anthony Fulwood said committee members were confident eased restrictions on travel and social events would allow the event – which attracts between 8000 to 10,000 patrons – to be held this year.

“We’re six months away still from holding the event, and hopefully in six months’ time we should just about be back to normal,” Mr Fulwood said.

“The borders being closed was a big issue last year, because we couldn’t get a lot of the exhibitors and the public to come into the state.

“(But) I think Australia is in a situation now where we won’t have any more closures.”

Riverland Field Days executive manager Tim Grieger said plans for last year’s event had been adapted for 2022.

“The committee is really enthusiastic about putting on a great event,” Mr Grieger said.

“We had the whole event pretty much planned and ready to go last year, then we unfortunately had to cancel at the last minute.

“We’ve taken all that work and planning we did last year, and the

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arrangements put in place, and we’ve brought that forward to this year.

“We’ll be communicating with all the exhibitors that rolled forward... it’s been a great start for this year, and we’ve never had so many exhibitor applications in so early.”

Mr Grieger said the work of volunteers had been crucial to maintaining, and improving, the Riverland Field Days site, just outside Barmera.

“The volunteer team is what makes it all happen, and they’ve really missed the opportunity to do what they want for the last two years,” he said.

“Their focus is on giving to the community, and presenting the event.

“We’re quite confident and we’re looking forward. We’re full of energy and focusing on September now.”

Mr Fulwood said the Field Days provided an opportunity for local and interstate agricultural businesses to directly communicate with potential customers.

“The event brings a lot of outside exhibitors to the region, who are going to stay here for at least two nights,” he said.

“It’s a great boost for the economy.

“It’s the best place to see demonstrations of agricultural machinery... there’s nothing like being able to sit in a tractor and feel if it’s comfortable.”



Riverland Field Days organisers say many arrangements made for last year’s ultimately cancelled event have been adapted for 2022. PHOTO: supplied

**“We’re six months away still from holding the event, and hopefully in six months’ time we should just about be back to normal...”**

- Anthony Fulwood  
Riverland Field Days chairman

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# Diesel bandits striking again

POLICE are investigating possible links between numerous instances of fuel theft from Riverland and Mallee residents recently.

Diesel was stolen from a property at Oakvale Station, around 140km from Renmark, on Monday, March 14.

Thieves also entered and stole diesel from a property at Walker Flat, near Swan Reach, on Thursday, January 13.

Diesel was also stolen from a Karoonda property between Friday, January 14, and Monday, January 17, and from proper-


## Sponsors sought for cemetery seats

A RIVERLAND council is seeking locals interesting in sponsoring memorial seats at two new gazebos installed at cemeteries in the district.

The gazebos were installed at the Berri and Barmera cemeteries last year following a decision by the Berri Barmera Council's Cemetery Committee in 2019.

The works were completed with a budget of \$39,330.

Last November, the committee voted to install eight



**seats at the gazebos.**

Council said it hoped "the gazebos can be utilised by the community to gaze across the area while reflecting fond memories of lost loved ones".

The committee also put out a call on social media for "those wishing to sponsor a memorial seat with plaque in memory of their loved ones".

Council has also complet-

ed several vaults in the Berri Cemetery to be purchased for burials in the future.

At a meeting last Thursday, the committee discussed an extension of the Barmera Cemetery due to its general section nearing completion, and the installation of a memorial for 19 unmarked suicide graves located outside the Berri Cemetery.

For more information about the memorial seats, contact council's office on 8582 1922.

- JOSH BRINE

# School's focus on wellbeing

ELYSE ARMANINI

STUDENTS at a Loxton primary school have shared their appreciation for a well-being program that teaches them about positive mental health strategies.

As part of the wellbeing focus at St Albert's School Loxton, The Resilience Project teaches students about gratitude, empathy and mindfulness, and emotional literacy.

St Albert's Resilience Project co-ordinator Alison Uren said the school was looking at a wellbeing program last year to use for students in reception to year 6.

"The Resilience Project has been something we've seen a lot of in the media over the past couple of years," Ms Uren said.

"The resources have been amazing, they're so easy to use and the students have responded really well.

"The program really encourages students... to pay attention to the things that we have and to just always be grateful.

"Empathy teaches them to understand how other people feel in certain situations... and what their body language is telling them."

Ms Uren said an increase of students visiting the counsellor, or talking to other staff, had resulted, with students feeling more comfortable since starting The Resilience Project.

"They talk about how they recognise at times they do feel quite anxious, and have realised that they're not the only ones," she said.



St Albert's School Loxton students Piper, Chloe and Ellena with their Resilience Project posters, with quotes about positive mindsets, gratitude and empathy.

"Now they've become more aware that there's a lot of people who are feeling anxious at certain times."

Weekly homework tasks are set for students to take what they learn during the lesson each Tuesday and see how they can put them into practice outside of the classroom.

"In one of the first weeks, the students had to look at how they can do kind things for others and what kind acts people might show them," Ms Uren said.

"They were very aware of all the kind things that their parents do for them, but they weren't so aware of the things that they could do for their parents.

"So that became their homework task for the week: to do some random acts of kindness for their parents and to see if their parents noticed."

St Albert's students shared what they enjoyed learning about most throughout the

first seven weeks of The Resilience Project.

"I've enjoyed learning about kindness, and I've tried to show that at home by helping Mum with the laundry," said year 6 student Piper.

Learning about mindfulness helps to reduce stress, tension and anxiety, according to year 6 student Nyah.

"We do breathing exercises," she said, "with deep breaths and scanning our body to find tensions. We do it in class at the start of the lesson."

Year 6 student Thomas said he was enjoying learning about gratitude.

"I've been thinking about things that I'm grateful for," he said. "We have a gratitude box. At the end of the day we get a sticky note and write one thing we're grateful for. It helps."

To learn more about The Resilience Project visit the website (<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/>).

## First NAPLAN results hit My School website

THE My School website has been updated for 2022 with new data, including the first NAPLAN results and attendance data in two years.

The cancellation of NAPLAN for 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic meant there was no NAPLAN data

last year, but with NAPLAN successfully undertaken across the country in 2021, the My School website has now been updated with school-level NAPLAN data.

"My School is an excellent resource to help parents, schools and governments

understand the performance of schools," said Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) CEO, David de Carvalho.

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Locals and visitors to the Riverland are being asked to remain vigilant and to "fight the bite" as Japanese encephalitis cases double, including six locally acquired cases.

# Japanese encephalitis virus cases double

RIVERLANDERS and visitors are again being asked to "fight the bite" after the number of cases of a rare mosquito-borne virus in the state doubled to eight, including six cases which contracted the illness locally.

Four more cases of Japanese encephalitis virus (JEV) were confirmed last week, after the first cases ever-recorded in South Australia were announced earlier this month.

Six of the cases contracted the virus in the Riverland and Murray Mallee regions, according to The Advertiser.

The Department for Health and Wellbeing's Dr Chris Lease said people planning activities around the River Murray should be "especially vigilant, particu-

larly between dusk and dawn when mosquitos are most active".

"We can confirm that one of the additional cases includes the person who we previously reported had sadly passed away earlier this month," Dr Lease said.

"Of our eight total JEV cases in SA, five remain in hospital and two have since been discharged.

"Two people in hospital with encephalitis remain under investigation.

"It is crucial that we all continue to take extra precautions against mosquitoes and continue to 'fight the bite'."

Dr Lease recommended applying insect repellent, wearing long, loose-fitting and light-coloured clothing,

using mosquito coils and using insect sprays to reduce the risk of mosquito bites.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) is currently undertaking surveillance measures within SA to monitor for JEV and continues to work closely with the Department for Health and Wellbeing.

The normal lifecycle of JEV is between waterbirds and mosquitoes, which may then accidentally spill over to pigs and horses, with owners reminded to remain vigilant.

For more information on how to 'fight the bite', visit [www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/fightthebite](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/fightthebite) and to find out more about JEV in pigs and horses, visit [www.pir.sa.gov.au/je-virus](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/je-virus).

## Fruit fly battle to rage into November



A NEW detection of fruit fly in a Riverland backyard means local growers will be dealing with the pest into summer 2022/23.

PIRSA last Friday announced fruit fly restriction dates at Pike River and Renmark West had been extended until November 22.

PIRSA fruit fly response general manager, Nick Secomb, said fruit fly maggots had been detected in backyard fruit at a Pike River West property.

"Our teams in orange overalls have been working directly with the property in the new red outbreak area to apply insecticide at the detection site, deploy further traps and check fruit for signs of fruit fly," Mr Secomb said.

"This is a good reminder to all residents living around Pike River and Renmark West to promptly pick any ripe home-grown fruit and vegetables that are at risk from fruit fly – for example apples, pears, limes, strawberries, and

stone fruit.

"Collect any fallen fruit and put it in your green bin – do not compost it. Clearing up fruit this way is critical to break the fruit fly life cycle, because any maggots in fallen fruit will dig into the ground to transform into flies.

"Keep fruit and vegetables on your property and don't share, sell or give them away. Check on the fruit fly website to learn what fruit and vegetables are at risk."

Local primary producers who have been negatively impacted by fruit fly outbreaks are encouraged to contact Family and Business Support by phone on 1800 931 314, or by visiting the website ([www.pir.sa.gov.au/fabs](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/fabs)).

Outbreak restrictions will remain in Pike River and Renmark West until November 16 without any further detections.

Further information regarding fruit fly outbreaks in the Riverland can be found by visiting the PIRSA website ([fruitfly.sa.gov.au](http://fruitfly.sa.gov.au)).

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Loxton Lutheran School has seen a significant increase in enrolment numbers in recent years. Pictured with principal Brad Williams are reception students Hugo Singh, Ruby Nickolai, Chet Beauchamp and Isabel Pannell. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

A LOCAL school is thriving, with its enrolment numbers significantly increasing in recent years.

The Loxton Lutheran School is about to undergo renovations to accommodate the significant increase of students.

School principal Brad Williams said enrolment numbers had increased from 143 students in 2018 to 201 this year, without year 7s for the first time.

“We’re in a nice position where we’re not

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experiencing a downturn in numbers,” he said.

“Part of the growth has come through word of mouth.”

Mr Williams said he believes the way the

school teaches literacy is “on par with any school across the state”.

“We have a very consistent approach to the way in which we teach literacy here,” he said.

“I think a lot of parents within the Riverland still value that.”

Smaller class sizes and additional support are other key factors, according to Mr Williams.

“Our biggest class is 26 and most of our junior primary classes are between 18 and 23, so they are good class sizes,” he said.

“For the first time this year we gave all reception parents the option of participating in occupational therapy screening for their children and later this term we have speech (therapy) that we are paying for if parents want to take it up.

“The earlier we start identifying red flags, the better positioned we are to help support and meet the needs of the children and therefore the staff.”

The school has two buses, which service a

large portion of the Riverland.

“We have one that goes through Moorook, Barmera, Glossop and Berri,” Mr Williams said.

“The other one services Lyrup, Loxton North and maybe Loxton east area a little bit.”

Mr Williams said while the school is based on Lutheran values, students from all backgrounds are welcomed.

“For those families who aren’t (Lutheran), they still really like our end product because... spiritual education helps develop the whole child,” he said.

“The values we live out and try to model in all our interactions with children really resonate strongly with families and they like that about our school.”

The school’s early learning centre is also at capacity, with a waiting list for next year.

Mr Williams attributed the success to the school’s staff, “supportive” board and parenting body.

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## Loxton’s night of nostalgia coming up

LOXTON’S annual history night will return in May, with locals encouraged to mark the date in their diaries.

Loxton History Sure Ain’t Boring will return on Tuesday, May 3, for its 10th

annual event.

The history event showcases a range of well-known speakers with interesting backgrounds, who share their local stories with attendees.

The event will take place at The Precinct, Loxton, at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

More details of the upcoming event, the speakers and their topics, will be released in coming weeks.



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# Bigger, noisier ripples ‘life savers’

Audio-tactile line marking ripples between Berri and Renmark. PHOTO: Deldre Graham

**PAUL MITCHELL**

**BIGGER**, noisier safety ripples popping up on Riverland roads are potential life savers, and have little impact on a vehicle’s stability, locals have been reassured.

Audio-tactile line marking – or ATLM – aims to reduce rural road crashes by providing a noise and vibratory warning to road users who may stray due to fatigue, poor visibility or inattention.

They have recently been installed along various stretches of Riverland roads and the RAA says they are effective in reducing the likelihood of head-on and run-off road crashes.

“(They) can reduce crashes by as much as 15 to 25 per cent, which is substantial given the very low cost compared to other safety treatments,” an RAA spokesperson told The Murray Pioneer.

“Between 2016 and 2020,

70 per cent of crashes resulting in serious injury/death on high-speed regional roads – speed greater than 80km/h – were single-vehicle run-off road crashes.”

The spokesperson dismissed suggestions the ripples could impact the on-road stability of motorbikes, but nonetheless urged motorists to avoid running over them.

“Studies have found that ATLM is not particularly detrimental to a motorcycle’s

stability,” the spokesperson said.

“However, all motorists should treat them as they would other line marking and avoid intentionally running over them.”

The spokesperson said small cars would also be unaffected.

Earlier this year, Murray Pioneer readers debated the merits of road safety barriers recently installed on Riverland roads, with some questioning their place-

ment. Some readers suggested the barriers were at seemingly random locations, however placement of ATLM ripples is deliberate, according to the SA government’s Department for Infrastructure and Transport.

“The department’s current policy is to install ATLM abutting edge lines on key high-speed arterial roads,” the department says on its website.

“This is based on the pre-dominance of single-vehicle,

loss-of-control/run off road crashes on rural roads.”

The department said ATLM ripples are considered “a highly effective countermeasure, with a high benefit/cost ratio in most cases”.

“ATLM provides superior wet weather delineation,” the department says.

“Drivers tend to focus on the edge line for guidance when traffic is approaching at night to avoid being dazzled by headlights.”

## Healthy Rivers funding finally dries up

A GRANT program – aimed at improved management of the River Murray system – that funded six Riverland-based projects has ended.

The federal government on Monday announced the \$20m Healthy Rivers Program had been fully expended.

Minister for Water Keith Pitt said Riverland-based projects would receive over \$1.7m from round 2 of the program.

“The last tranche of projects is worth a combined \$6m and supports individuals and groups to protect and promote native species by improving habitats – whether that’s making farm dams more attractive to native birds or re-snagging large stretches of river,” Mr Pitt said.

“In total Healthy Rivers is collectively funding activities to plant about 300,000 native plants, install 230km of fencing to protect 2000 hectares of riverbanks and undertake weed control on about 30,000 hectares.

“All these activities contribute to good

river health outcomes – although they don’t directly contribute to increasing flows.”

Mid Murray Landcare and the Australian Landscape Trust – which manages Calperum Station – received funding under both rounds of the initiative.

Mr Pitt said the funding had been targeted at projects that would generate environmental and economic benefits for the region.

“These grants put money into local businesses, creating jobs and strengthening recreational amenities and tourism offerings,” he said.

“These sort of community-driven activities have a real impact on river health – and just as importantly – a real impact on regional economies.”

Further information regarding the Healthy Rivers Program can be found by visiting the website ([www.awe.gov.au/water/policy/mdb/programs/basin-wide/healthy-rivers-program](http://www.awe.gov.au/water/policy/mdb/programs/basin-wide/healthy-rivers-program)).

## \$100k grant to reduce river salinity

A LOCAL project to reduce salinity in the River Murray has been awarded almost \$100,000 in funding.

Barker MP Tony Pasin and Minister for Resources and Water Keith Pitt announced on Monday that Flinders University’s Bookpurnong project would be funded through the \$20 million Murray-Darling Healthy Rivers Program.

The project will use a solar-powered enhanced evaporation pond system for in-situ salt extraction.

Mr Pasin welcomed the funding and said it would allow locals to use their knowledge to care for the environment across the Riverland.

“This grant puts money into local businesses, providing employment and strengthening recreational amenities and tourism offerings,” Mr Pasin said.

“Flinders University will use its \$99,984 to design and install a new salt extraction system to reduce the salinity of water entering the River Murray from Bookpurnong Floodplain.

“The solar-powered system will remove an estimated six tonnes of salt from the river each year, improving water



Barker MP Tony Pasin has welcomed almost \$100,000 in funding for Flinders University’s Bookpurnong project to reduce salinity in the River Murray. PHOTO: supplied

and soil quality nearby and downstream.

“Importantly these Healthy Rivers grants support Basin economies, with successful applicants committing to buying local.

“These Healthy Rivers projects bring people and organisations together to work on practical, on-ground projects that protect the Murray-Darling Basin’s vital waterways.

“The Healthy Rivers Program forms a key part of the Australian Government’s Murray-Darling Communities Investment Package, which is putting communities back at the heart of the Basin Plan.”

Mr Pitt said the grants were designed to help communities deliver on-ground projects to improve the health of local rivers and wetlands.

“Across the Basin, the Healthy Rivers Program is funding activities to plant about 300,000 native plants, install 230 kilometres of fencing to protect 2000 hectares of riverbanks, and undertake weed control on about 30,000 hectares,” Mr Pitt said.

“That’s making a real difference to river health and regional economies.”

Under all rounds of the program, Barker has received \$2.55 million in funding.

### RIVERLAND HEALTHY RIVERS PROGRAM PROJECTS

#### ROUND 1

- Berri Barmera Landcare (\$50,000) – Improving habitats for threatened species in the Riverland
- Mid Murray Landcare (\$46,600) – Conservation of the regent parrot in Murray-Darling Basin
- Australian Landscape Trust (\$11,253) – Engaging community volunteers in the restoration of the Calperum Floodplain

#### ROUND 2

- Australian Landscape Trust

- (\$1,560,083) – Restoring the Riverland Ramsar site through streambank erosion control, increased connectivity and fish passage
- Flinders University (\$99,983) – Solar-powered enhanced evaporation pond system for in-situ salt extraction at Bookpurnong
- Mid Murray Landcare (\$95,612) – Breaking the chokehold of yellow water lily and other invasive weeds on the River Murray



# Drug dealer, 22, gets prison term

A 22-YEAR-old River-lander described as “a very busy, persistent, well-organised” drug dealer is set to spend almost five years in prison.

Berri man Jak Bailey Noack was earlier this month sentenced to four years and three months in jail after pleading guilty to five counts of drug trafficking and possessing prohibited weapons.

Police searched Mr Noack’s home on February 15, and located 100g of loose cannabis, cannabis seeds, equipment involved in the sale of illegal drugs, \$1900 in cash, and prohibited weapons including numerous knives and a crossbow.

Judge Simon Stretton said Snapchat messages found on Mr Noack’s phone indicated he had sold cannabis, MDMA, cocaine, psilocybin, LSD, Xanax, Valium, Oxycodone, Seroquel and dextroamphetamine.

“You made 294 posts in the group over that eight-month period, including images of controlled drugs, videos of controlled drugs being advertised for sale and photographs of cash,” Mr Stretton said.

“As of 15 February, 2021, 85 persons with individual Snapchat accounts were members of your private group.

“You sent and received messages from more than 60 individual accounts organising the sale of a range of controlled and prescription drugs.

“You published price lists for a range of drugs in a range of quantities. You were operating a very considerable business.”

Mr Stretton said Mr

Noack – whose parents had separated when he was seven – was exposed to drug and alcohol use from a young age.

“You regard your childhood as being average but possibly worse than that experienced by other children,” he said.

“You described your relationship with your father as good, although he himself has a history of issues with drugs and alcohol.

“Your stepfather was a heavy drinker.”

Mr Stretton said Mr Noack had no previous history of offending.

“You also say that the birth of your son last year has made you realise the wrongfulness of your actions,” he said.

“You have a limited history of employment... you have not worked for a period of time until very recently when you secured vineyard work.

“You and your partner together financially support each other and your child. If your income were lost, your partner would be unable to meet the financial obligations by herself.”

However, Mr Stretton said Mr Noack’s ongoing use of cannabis posed a risk, and required him to be sentenced as a serious repeat offender.

“While ordinarily your circumstances, age and antecedents would justify a merciful non-parole period, and I would otherwise impose one, unfortunately... your offending is far too serious for there to be good reason to suspend it,” he said.

Mr Noack will be eligible for parole in three years and six months.

**“ You sent and received messages from more than 60 individual accounts organising the sale of a range of controlled and prescription drugs... - Judge Simon Stretton**



Morgan resident Jakob Gamertsfelder is calling on the Mid Murray Council to install proper footpaths in the town’s central business district. PHOTO: supplied

## Council paths divide opinion

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

MORGAN’S CBD and certain residential areas lack proper footpaths, it has been claimed.

Morgan resident Jakob Gamertsfelder, who was defeated in the recent Mid Murray Council’s Eyre ward supplementary election, said it was unacceptable to be without sidewalks in the main street. Mr Gamertsfelder said most of the businesses in Morgan’s central business district had dirt paths.

“The best sidewalk in that street is coincidently just outside the council office,” he said.

“That is concrete, but they upgraded it three times to get it just perfect, they wanted a better shade of colour.

“They weren’t happy with the first one.

“It is in the main street and you can see the split between council people getting their own sidewalk and the residents getting nothing.”

Mid Murray Council chief executive officer Ben Scales said if any resident or ratepayer had safety concerns about footpaths in Morgan, they should raise

their concerns with council.

“That will then be considered in line with our footpath plan,” he said.

Mr Gamertsfelder said outside the community craft shop, Something Different In Morgan, the dirt had simply been flattened. He said the community-run business paid its rates and deserved a “proper” footpath.

Mr Gamertsfelder said in a town where tourists regularly visit, concrete or paved footpaths should be essential. He said the lack of solid footpaths was also causing safety concerns, especially for the town’s elderly residents.

Morgan resident Olive Wilksch, 92, who is legally blind and can only distinguish the shapes of people in front of her, said she walks on the road because the dirt pathways in her area are littered with sizeable stones.

Ms Wilksch said council placed crushed gravel on the path where she puts out her rubbish bin after one of her carers contacted it several years ago.

But Mrs Wilksch believes the path is still unsafe and said her rubbish bin has to be placed on a slant.

She said she has repeatedly raised

her concerns about the lack of proper footpaths in Morgan, but little action has been taken.

“Whether the people that work here at council pass it on, I don’t know,” Mrs Wilksch said.

Mr Scales said Mid Murray Council had a long-term financial plan and its aim was to ensure that every town in the district was provided with the same resourcing in line with council’s asset management plans.

He said due to financial constraints the council was unable to place concrete footpaths in all areas of Morgan.

“We have thousands of kilometres of road verge throughout the district, and we would love to have footpaths in all areas,” Mr Scales said.

“But council needs to focus having concrete footpaths in key areas of townships.

“Concrete footpaths in Morgan are in key precincts around 8th St and 4th St.”

Mr Scales said the council was also considering using other materials such as bitumen, rubble or paving to construct more footpaths around Morgan.

## Cutting the fuel excise won’t be much help for price pain at the bowser

I TOOK another step forward last week, when after six weeks of recovery I got my driver’s licence returned.

But the joy quickly became a harsh reality when I pulled up at the bowser to fill up with diesel.

In my short time off the road, prices have jumped to \$2.20 per litre, about 25 to 30 cents higher.

No wonder there is a conga line of state MPs calling for the federal government to act; mostly to temporarily reduce the fuel excise.

Before embarking on some explanation and history of this tax it is most important to point out that the government does not control fuel prices. We live in a market-driven economy where prices are set by this market, dictated by supply and demand.



The fuel excise is a flat sales tax levied by the Australian government at the pump.

It is currently 44.2 cents per litre and revenues collected are used to pay for the construction and maintenance of roads across the nation.

This excise has not increased with the recent price hikes, only the GST has increased.

A GST increase on 30 cents is less than

three cents – without this, the price of my diesel would still be \$2.17 per litre.

History tells us that this tax was adjusted by Prime Minister Howard facing an election in 2001, when he decided to freeze CPI increase on the excise but did not reduce it.

The proposed increase at the time was only about half a cent but it is important to note that less than a year earlier he had added a 10 per cent GST.

The excise at this time was around 36 cents and GST was 9 cents as the fuel price hovered around a dollar per litre.

The government’s take then was 45 per cent of every litre, compared to today’s 30 per cent on \$2.20 per litre retail price.

The New Zealand government has just reduced its fuel excise by 25 cents a litre for the next three months to alleviate retail fuel

prices of three dollars per litre.

Our cross-the-ditch neighbours will still pay excise of 55 cents, GST of 30 cents and an additional 15 cents for an emissions trading scheme for every litre – hence the reason for some tax relief.

With a federal budget due next week, an election soon after and a prime minister behind in the polls, perhaps even moribund, all panic buttons will be glowing red.

A one-off cost-of-living payment to everyone, similar to those in the Global Financial Crisis or more recently during Covid-19 times, may be a more universal measure, and less complicated or difficult to unwind.

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



# Local ecotourism trailblazers win silver

**JOSH BRINE**

A RIVERLAND tourism operator has been recognised as having one of the best ecotourism experiences in Australia at a national awards night last week.

Renmark's Murray River Trails, owned and operated by Tony and Susie Sharley, took home the silver award in the ecotourism category at the 2021 Qantas Australian Tourism Awards in Queensland last Friday night.

It was the second time the business had finished second in the category, having previously taken silver at the 2017 awards.

Sales and marketing manager Sam Sharley said it was "fantastic to be representing the Riverland on the national stage".

"We've been there four times and not brought anything home twice, so to win a silver was fantastic," he said.

"Back when we won the silver the first time, we were just Murray River Walks.

"We've now expanded... so it's the first time we've won a silver at the nationals as Murray River Trails.

"Obviously we've got a few new things that have changed in the last 12 months and we're building a new boat for the tours which allows us to offer ensembles, plus new tour offerings."

Mr Sharley said it was "amazing" to be recognised as one of the top operators in the ecotourism space.

Mr Sharley said the business,



Murray River Trails' Kaila Willis and Sam Sharley with the silver award in ecotourism at the 2021 Qantas Australian Tourism Awards in Queensland last Friday night. PHOTO: Facebook

which relies predominantly on interstate visitors, had been significantly impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic, and described 2020 as

"a complete write-off".

"We just had to shut up shop and reschedule guests for the following year," he said.

"In 2021 we kicked off our walking season in May and, within about six weeks, Victoria and New South Wales had been locked down.

"So, 2021 started strong and petered out.

"But, we're very excited about the year ahead with open borders."

Tourism Industry Council of South Australia CEO Shaun de Bruyn congratulated the state's eight medallists from the night.

"Our tourism businesses have had a difficult two years," he said, "and this is a testament to their commitment to business and service excellence."

## School's Harmony Day fun-draising

STUDENTS at St Joseph's School Renmark participated in Harmony Day fun and helped to raise over \$1000 for a special cause last week.

Year 6 students worked with teachers to develop their leadership skills by organising stalls and activities for other year levels to enjoy, including coloured hairspray, ice cream and spiders, a disco room, noodle tag and more.

Students raised \$1235 for Caritas Australia's Project Compassion, which helps children and families living in vulnerable communities

around the world.

St Joseph's principal Don DePalma said students learned about Harmony Day (March 21) and how the colour orange represents the freedom of ideas, mutual respect and social communication.

"At St Joseph's the day is also used to respect and celebrate diversity of cultures that are present at the school," Mr DePalma said.

"This theme continued throughout the week and the students learnt how to show kindness, care and respect for each other."

Mr DePalma said students also learned about the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (March 18) and how to keep each other safe and happy.

"The students recited a school pledge at our special assembly to take action with Bullying No Way and made a promise to build harmony to create a better world," he said.

"The day proved a great success with real-life learning experiences and important messages of kindness, care for others, empathy and gratitude."



As part of Harmony Day events, St Joseph's School Renmark leaders Ruby and Emmerson ran a colourful hairspray stall, which was popular with many students. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini



Annie and Georgie enjoyed ice cream and spiders at St Joseph's School Renmark's Harmony Day event last week. PHOTO: supplied

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# Santa says seeya later to his beard



BEFORE AND AFTER: Barry Galliford and Kymm Alderson at last weekend's shave for charity. PHOTOS: supplied



THE Riverland's Santa Claus sacrificed his beard for charity on Saturday. Barry Galliford, regularly seen around the region in a red suit each December, took part in the World's Greatest Shave for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Over \$1000 was raised on the day for the charity, with donations still coming in this week.

"I am personally comfortable with that, because while I set a goal of \$2000, I signed up before the floods in NSW and Queensland in particular, and there have been other calls for people to open their pockets," Mr Galliford said.

"I did find that many of my contacts have friends affected by cancers and several are already supporting their friends in various ways.

"It was important for me to do something beyond the sad face emoji put on a Facebook post, and commenting that 'my thoughts and prayers are with you'.

"I had to put the beard where my mouth is."

The shaving duties were carried out at the Berri Church of Christ by Kymm Alderson, of Kymm's Mobile Hairdressing.



Waikerie Lions Club members Athalie Verrall (left) and Linda Lamey helping clear out the Lions Den during the clearance auction on Saturday. PHOTOS: Christine Webster

# Waikerie Lions clearance sale

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE Waikerie Lions Club auctioned off some of its key items on Saturday in preparation for its relocation from a historic building on the river front to the former Apex Club shed at Penaluna Drive.

In December last year, Loxton Waikerie council agreed to evoke the Riverland West service club's lease of the former Bond Store with a view to seeking expressions of interest for commercial development of the site.

The council has indicated it would prefer a tourism and hospitality focus for the building, which for the past 30 years has been known as "The Lions Den".

Waikerie Lions Club president Pam Stendara said the club had no choice but to relocate to the former Apex Club shed by April 19 as per council's request.

She said the March auction, which attracted a good number of bidders, was delayed by a week to enable the service club to sort through its items and decide what it should sell.

The items up for grabs included a bain marie, grill,



roll warmer, two kitchen tables, crockery, kitchen utensils, and glassware.

Mrs Stendara said the 50-year-old club still wanted to keep a lot of its belongings.

"We are trying to keep as much as we can of what is useful," she said.

"We have all our old photo items and historical things as the Lions have been in that building for 30 years."

She said having to vacate their den was a sad way to celebrate the service club's half a century milestone.

More items from the river-front building will be on auction on April 9.

Mrs Stendara said council has indicated a second shed across from the former Apex Club headquarters could be used to house the Waikerie Lions Club's food van.

She said for the time being council has given members permission to park their food van outside the former Apex Club shed, which is too small to house it.

Mrs Stendara said the Waikerie Lions Club would miss the convenience of having its headquarters on the river front.

"We could just pull out the food van from the den for the auction and push it back inside afterwards," she said.

Mrs Stendara said the service club would possibly have to reduce its use of the food van after it moves to the former Apex Shed.

"We used to get permission from council to sell fish and chips on the river front," she said. "I don't think we will be doing this as often."

Mrs Stendara said the Lions Den was the group's regular gathering place and after moving next month, the club would have to book the Waikerie Community Meeting room near the Waikerie Men's Shed.

She said the members would miss the opportunity of meeting and hosting a dinner whenever they wished.

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# Learn, Share, Laugh, Grow





Henry Mortimer, who was a Waikerie Lions Club member for 36 years and the 2017 Riverland Citizen of the Year, died peacefully in his sleep at Pioneer Haven in December last year.

PHOTO: supplied

## Henry Mortimer: True Waikerie servant

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

HENRY Mortimer served the Waikerie community tirelessly and is missed by those who loved him, and had the opportunity to volunteer or play bowls alongside of him.

He lived and breathed Waikerie and there was no other place he wanted to be.

Mr Mortimer was farewelled with a celebration of his life at the Waikerie Lions Park at Waikerie on December 10, 2021 after passing away peacefully in his sleep on December 3, 2021 at Pioneer Haven.

The 2017 Riverland Citizen of the Year and 2016-2017 Waikerie Citizen of the Year was born at the Waikerie Hospital on December 26, 1938.

He was the third of seven children born to Lucy and Harry Mortimer.

Mr Mortimer started school at Holder, requiring him and his two sisters and neighbouring children to walk across the river flat, then row across the river to school.

He always said the communication was good back then, because if any of the children did anything wrong at school, the news would always reach home before they did.

Mr Mortimer preferred

helping his father with the farm work instead of attending school and especially enjoyed riding horses and working with sheep.

He left school to work on the family's wheat and sheep property on the Northshore in Taylorville.

Mr Mortimer married Cheryl in 1970. The couple raised three daughters: Jacqui and Nicole, who live in Adelaide, and Julieanne, who lives in Melbourne.

In 1997, he retired from dryland farming after 40 years and moved with Cheryl into Waikerie, where he became busier with community work.

Mr Mortimer was a Waikerie councillor from 1978 to 1982 and Waikerie Health Services chairman for six years.

He was a member of the Waikerie Lions Club for 36 years, serving twice as president and six times as vice-president.

Mr Mortimer was a zone president of the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) for at least five consecutive years, and recipient of the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship Award presented by the LCIF.

After becoming a "towny" he decided to follow his younger brothers John and Robert and take up lawn bowls.

His pastime of being a penciller for a bookmaker prepared him well for taking on the role of Waikerie Bowling Club's bar manager.

With Mr Mortimer behind the bar, there was never a dull moment and everyone who visited received a sincere welcome.

His bowling days came to an abrupt halt after he suffered a stroke in 2016.

But he was a regular visitor to the club and enjoyed travelling there on his gopher. In 2019, he was awarded life membership to the Waikerie Bowling Club.

Mr Mortimer was chairman of the Waikerie Meals on Wheels board for four years and a volunteer with the organisation for many years.

He also donated his time to drive Waikerie's community car and bus and volunteered for the Australian Red Cross, and the Waikerie High School Breakfast Club.

In 2005, when his sister and brother-in-law's property at Wanilla on the Eyre Peninsula was burnt out by the bushfires, he spent two weeks helping them mop up and rebuild fences.

He is missed by his wife Cheryl, his three daughters and their husbands, his six grandchildren and his siblings and extended family.

## Program to connect people and overcome social isolation

NEW opportunities will be provided to help isolated country people connect and build positive relationships in the Riverland through ac.care's Community Connections program.

"It is estimated one in 10 people experience social isolation and that figure is likely to have grown significantly as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic," ac.care Community Connections manager Sue Watt said.

"It is well-known social isolation has a negative impact on people's mental and physical health, along with their ability to participate in the community.

"We want to help connect the disconnected by providing opportunities to bring people together in positive ways."

Community Connections will be delivered by ac.care as a community partner in the Riverland, Limestone Coast and Murraylands, replacing the former Home and Community Care Program.

"Community Connections is all about supporting people to increase their independence in the home and build stronger social and community connections," Ms Watt said.



Cindy Koolmatrie, ac.care Community Connections support worker, is working to connect people in the Riverland affected by isolation or loneliness to local support groups, community activities, social opportunities and other services. PHOTO: supplied

"Strong social connections can improve quality of life and provide better health outcomes."

The program was developed by the Department of Human Services South Australia and recently won the Public Sector Values category in the 2021 South Australian Premier's Excellence Awards.

Community Connections involves short-term support for up to 12 weeks and help connecting people with longer-term support where required.

Support may include facilitating opportunities for people to become involved in local community activities, find new support

groups, meet neighbours or benefit from extra help at home.

South Australians aged 18 to 64 who are not eligible for Federal Government programs such as the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and My Aged Care may qualify for the program.

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said.

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"Business and management is something we well and truly understand regional communities need, so if you jump on our website, the 'apply now' buttons are open."

Attitudes towards careers in trades are changing, and the need for electricians in different industries throughout the Riverland is growing, which is why an electrical apprenticeship, for example, can kickstart

a fruitful career.

"In the Riverland, there's quite a strong electrical contingent," Ms Lance said.

"Because the Riverland has industries like horticulture and irrigation – with things that require pumps, motors, refrigeration, and air conditioning – plus the nature of the climate, and the distance from metropolitan Adelaide, a lot of industries and trades need to grow local people to be local employees.

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- ❑ Include up-to-date contact information. Use personal email addresses, but avoid using it if it sounds unprofessional and create a new one with your first and last name. Links to professional websites, portfolios, LinkedIn and relevant social medias can also be included.

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You are not only contributing to their profession and the local economy but you are providing important guidance, educa-

tion and training the next generation.

Creating jobs, generating economic opportunities and boosting the skills of workers right across Barker is at the heart of the Morrison Government's plan to restore our economy past the coronavirus pandemic and keep Australians in work.

TONY PASIN  
Member for Barker

## GrowSmart helping people into work in primary production industries

GROWSMART Training is working with local industry, government, and other key service providers to develop career pathways to recruit and develop people wanting to work in local primary production industries within the Riverland.

VET in schools has a renewed focus in the past 12 months and GrowSmart is offering Certificate II in Horticulture at the Renmark Farm Centre as a career pathway into jobs in production horticulture industries including almonds, citrus, stonefruit, avocados, wine grapes, potatoes and other irrigated crops.

This program also can lead onto jobs in horticulture with councils, grounds and amenities curators and golf course superintendents.

Certificate II in Conservation and Ecosystem Management (CEM) is also offered for school VET student in partnership between GrowSmart and

Calperum Station.

This program is a great start leading onto careers in eco-tourism, native food production, park rangers, and other careers in ecology and conservation.

To further support CEM career progression, GrowSmart offers a Certificate III in CEM for people working in industry to gain further skills through a traineeship.

In February 2022, a two-year Diploma of CEM started, with live-in camps at Calperum Station planned each quarter.

This allows students to achieve their qualification while working with ecologists on real conservation projects, while developing a network of peers through the conservation industry.

Another new initiative is a 12-month Horticulture Traineeship provided in collaboration with GrowSmart Training, Regional Development Australia, Murraylands Training and Employment

Association of SA, and the Department of Innovation and Skills.

This program is designed to offer continuity of otherwise seasonal and disjointed work with a Certificate II in Horticulture for people wanting to work in primary production and horticulture businesses in the region.

Employers can benefit by taking the headache out of recruiting and managing HR issues with option to employ program members directly if they find a good match for their business.

Certificate III in Production Horticulture remains a key focus of GrowSmart Training that provides trade qualifications for people starting or developing their careers in the irrigated crop industries that are so vital for our regional economy.

While the fundamental skills needed in this industry haven't changed, GrowSmart Training has invested further

to develop and refine its training products to meeting industry demands and adapt to new technology and practices.

With all these exciting initiatives in progress, it's little wonder that GrowSmart has grown in recent times and there's now capacity to recruit additional training staff to join the team.

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**TONY PASIN**  
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NPWS will conduct a number of prescribed burns in the Riverland throughout autumn 2022.



## Prescribed burns fire up for autumn

IMPROVING the management of native vegetation and protecting Riverland biodiversity are the goals for upcoming prescribed burns in the region. National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) will conduct 43 prescribed burns across South Australia during autumn. NPWS director of fire management, Fiona Gill, said the burns would only be started during “safe and practical” weather conditions. “The number of prescribed burns that can be safely and effectively completed in any season is always subject to a window of prescribed weather conditions and we will never burn unless we can achieve a safe outcome,” Ms Gill said.

“The program of burns are part of a rolling three-year program and extra burns are planned which gives us flexibility to move burns to another season or year according to the conditions. “Autumn is a time when larger, unbounded burns in more remote parks will go ahead as the cooler overnight temperatures and increasing relative humidity help suppress the fire. “By creating strategic, low bushfire-hazard areas in the landscape, on our reserves and some strategically chosen private land, our autumn program helps manage the intensity and extent of future bushfires, and provides safer access for firefighters.” A total of 47 burns were completed during spring 2021.

Ms Gill said the fire management team would work with local industry representatives – such as grape growers and winemakers – to ensure the current harvest was unaffected by prescribed burns. “As with last year, the mild summer has led to an overlap with wine grapes not yet harvested and suitable conditions to conduct prescribed burning,” she said. “NPWS continues to work with industry groups to address any concerns and plan burns appropriately. “NPWS takes opportunities to burn as soon as it is safe and practical to do so.” A map of the planned prescribed burns set for the Riverland can be found by visiting the website (environment.sa.gov.au/fire-management).

# Thoughts wanted on new carryover improvements

RIVERLAND irrigators have been encouraged to attend an information session tomorrow surrounding potential changes to key water allocation regulations. The Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board (MRLB) will hold a public consultation meeting – at the Berri Bowling Club – regarding its updated Draft Water Allocation Plan and proposed changes to the private carryover policy. An MRLB spokesperson said the changes would

“remove rollover and forfeiture of carryover volumes and will allow carryover to be used in the year that it is granted”. “Consultation is now under way and the MRLB would like to hear your views on the proposed changes to the carryover policy,” the spokesperson said. The Berri drop-in session will run from 3pm to 6pm, with presentations at 3.30pm and 4.30pm. Public submissions regarding the Draft Water

Allocation Plan – which remain open until 5pm on Thursday, April 14 – can be made by visiting the website (www.surveymonkey.com/r/8C27SCZ), or by email (rmwap.feedback@sa.gov.au). The full Draft Water Allocation Plan can be viewed by visiting the MRLB website (https://cdn.environment.sa.gov.au/landscape/docs/mr/2022-RM-WAP-private-carryover-amendments.pdf).

### ADVERTISEMENT



Sam Doecke, of Waikerie's Hansen Electric, was recently named the PEER Refrigeration and Air-conditioning Student of the Year. PHOTO: Christine Webster

## Sam takes home prestigious PEER prize

WAIKERIE apprentice Sam Doecke was awarded a prestigious PEER Refrigeration and Air-conditioning Student of the Year Award earlier this month before an audience of over 450 industry guests at the Adelaide Convention Centre. PEER, a not-for-profit organisation, employs, trains, mentors and supports students in plumbing, electrical, engineering, data communications, and refrigeration and air-conditioning trades at its Port Road, Albert Park trade training centre. Chief executive officer Peter Nolan says the night is an opportunity to recognise SA's best apprenticeship talent and celebrate the achievements of students who have completed their training and are embarking on their trade careers. Sam, 28, has been working at Waikerie's Hansen Electric for 11 years and is proof that you are never too old to go back and do an apprenticeship. Sam started out as an apprentice electrician at Hansen Electric, where he worked in electrical for a couple of years, before completing a Certificate III in Telecommunications and Certificate IV in Leadership. He then decided to go back and complete the refrigeration and air-conditioning trade apprenticeship. He spent four years learning both trades, a testament to his commitment and tenacity. Hansen Electric is a Daiken dealer and is responsible for the installation of domestic, commercial and industrial air-conditioning units. Sam works on commercial projects for schools and local businesses and often gets called out to fix breakdowns and complete services of air conditioning units and cool rooms. “Living in the country means we have to be across both trades well,” Sam says. “You never know what you will get each day. Every day is different.” Sam has lived in Waikerie all his life and attended Waikerie High School.

His managers at Hansen Electric, David and Sandy Neindorf, were rapt to hear of his win. “It's absolutely fantastic and totally well deserved,” they said. “Sam has a very energetic work ethic, loves learning, has great organisational skills, is polite with excellent customer service, and is a very good role model to our staff, especially the apprentices. “Sam takes great pride with all he does at work, at home, with his family, and in the community.” Sam said his trade has plenty of appeal. “I enjoy the challenges of both areas of the refrigeration and electrical cycle and how they both tie in together,” he said. “It really makes me think a lot and I'm able to problem solve well.” Sam has commended his trade training at PEER. “I enjoy the well-equipped, real-life simulated workshop the most, plus the classrooms, and the amount of equipment I can use to train and learn my new skills,” he said. “The layout of the place is so good, from the placement of the ducted air-conditioning units, to the cool room, refrigerators, the split systems and even an ice machine. “The facilities at PEER are fantastic. My PEER trainer Andrew Snow is one of the best. He is knowledgeable, experienced and easy to learn from.” Sam said he highly recommends PEER as the best way to gain the necessary skills and qualifications to get into the refrigeration and air-conditioning trade. He also said he was grateful for the registered training organisation's celebration of its apprentices at its annual graduation and awards night event.



Sam with his award. PHOTO: supplied



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The Loxton Show has a new president, secretary and treasurer for 2022, with the event to be held in early October. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

# Ian takes the reins for Loxton Show

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

THE Riverland’s last remaining country show has welcomed several new faces at the helm.

After 40 years of involvement, Ian Cass has stepped up to become the show’s new president, while Rosalyn Kambouris and Denise Vaughan were appointed secretary and treasurer respectively.

Mr Cass has previously served on the management committee, along with being a steward, then convenor of the sheep section.

“I am definitely not a ‘newbie’ by any means,” he said.

“I’ve been around the show for a long time and in that time, I’ve only missed one show, which was the year we didn’t have a show.”

After four decades of involvement, Mr Cass said he was looking forward to taking on the top job.

“I really wanted to put something back into the community,” he said.

Mr Cass said he was looking forward



● Rosalyn Kambouris



● Ian Cass

to working with Ms Kambouris and Ms Vaughan, who both bring experience to the roles.

Meanwhile, outgoing secretary Linda Wiltshire will stay on as assistant secretary and treasurer.

“She really knows the ropes and has been involved with the Loxton Show for 46 years,” Mr Cass said.

This year’s Loxton Show will be held on Sunday, October 2, and Monday, October 3.

## Wunkar to host PIRSA livestock forum

WUNKAR will host one of three livestock forums being held across regional SA next week.

The event aims to improve the productivity and profitability of farmers’

flocks and herds, while also exploring the applications of best practice livestock management.

Four guest speakers will feature at the forums, also being held in Mount

Gambier and Murray Bridge.

The Wunkar event is at the Wunkar Football Club on Thursday, March 31, from 12.45pm to 5pm.

To register visit: [www.pir.sa.gov.au/livestock-forums](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/livestock-forums).

## Barwell Boys 100 years on

THIS year marks the centenary of the first shipload of Barwell Boys, many of whom were sent to work on farms in SA, including the Riverland.

In June 1922, 100 British boys aged between 15 and 18 were the first of more than 1500 post-war migrants in the South Australian Farm Apprenticeship Scheme.

The scheme was launched by Premier Henry Barwell to develop the state’s agricultural industry after the losses of World War I.

Two days after arriving in Adelaide – after spending six weeks at sea aboard the SS Largs Bay – the Boys were sent to

employers in remote areas all over the state, including the Riverland.

The accommodation was basic, with no facilities, and the work was arduous, the Boys spending long days in the heat and dust.

Annual reunions of the Boys, their children and grandchildren have taken place in Adelaide since the 1970s.

This year’s reunion to celebrate and remember the challenges faced by a previous generation will take place at The Highway in Plympton on Wednesday, March 30.



**LOXTON NORTH SCHOOL**  
*Harvest Festival*

The Murray Pioneer is proud to donate the profit from our logo support to the Loxton North School.

Thanks to the generous support of local businesses that took the opportunity to give to the school.

## A grape night for a stomp

LOXTON North School’s Harvest Festival returns this week and will this year raise money for musical instruments.

“Harvest Festival is about our families coming together to connect after a busy harvest,” said principal Vanessa Wainwright.

“Due to Covid-19 we’ve had to scale back this event to just our families of the school.

“This has now created a new tradition where all children can stomp, and we have family stomp teams.”

Ms Wainwright said older students “love pruning the grapes” from the Petch family, who grow a row of grapes for

Loxton North School.

Local businesses provided cash donations for the raffle, plus produce to be used for dinner.

“Pike River Wine Centre are great supporters of the event... in return we promote their produce,” Ms Wainwright said.

“There has been so much support for our school by the wider community, and we thank them.”

Scan code to see the Wine Centre fundraiser

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# Carers SA are here to help

**WHO is an unpaid Carer?**

An unpaid Carer is a family member or friend who looks after someone with:

- A disability
- A mental illness
- Dementia
- A long-term health condition
- An illness that is terminal
- An alcohol or drug-related problem; or
- Someone who is frail due to age

People become Carers in different ways. Sometimes they start helping someone out bit by bit. Sometimes it happens suddenly, because of an accident or illness.

Carers can be any age. Parents, grandparents, partners, siblings, friends and neighbours may all take on a caring role at some point in their life. There are more than 245,000 Carers in South Australia.

**What is the Carer Gateway?**

The Carer Gateway is an Australian Government initiative which provides services and support to unpaid Carers across Australia. Carers SA is the local Carer Gateway provider in South Australia for the provision of these services. Carer Gateway services are focused on supporting Carers and they complement the existing services that may be available through other supports such as My Aged Care or NDIS.



**Can Carers who receive Centrelink Carer Payments access services through Carers SA?**

Yes. In fact Carers who do and do not receive Centrelink Carer Payments are both eligible to access services from Carers SA. The services are not income tested.

**Does a carer need to live with the person/s they care for to be eligible for services through Carers SA?**

No. Carers may or may not live with the person/s they care for and can still access support.

**Is there a cost to register with Carers SA?**

No. Carers SA offers a variety of free services to support Carers in their caring role.

**I live in country South Australia can I connect with Carers SA?**

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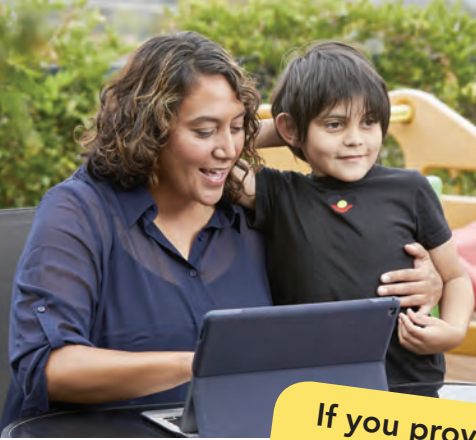
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**How can I find out more?**

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## Carers SA - Here for you



Carers SA is the local Carer Gateway provider in South Australia. The Carer Gateway is an Australian Government initiative which provides services and support to unpaid Carers across Australia.

For over thirty years now, Carers SA has been providing support to unpaid Carers across South Australia. Carers SA offers a wide range of personalised services, packages and information to support Carers from all backgrounds and cultures at no cost to you.

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- **Peer support** - where Carers can meet with people in similar caring situations.
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# New rules set to keep boarders in school

**JOSH BRINE**

RIVERLAND students boarding in Adelaide are now subject to less severe Covid-19 close contact rules, following significant backlash from SA parents – including locals – earlier this year.

SA Health advised the education sector earlier this month of new “test-to-stay” measures to allow boarders to attend school despite having Covid-19 positive students living in their boarding house.

Previously, boarders would have to isolate in their rooms or return home – a six-hour return trip for Riverland parents – when they were determined to be close contacts.

An SA Health spokesperson said the changes were made “following consultation with the Department for Education, Association for Independent Schools SA, and Catholic Education SA”.

“To support schools in minimising disruption to students, boarding schools can implement ‘test-to-stay’ for close contacts, where boarders must complete a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) at the start each day for seven days since their last contact with a positive case,” the spokesperson said.

## ‘Unworkable and unfair’

By PAUL MITCHELL  
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“UNFAIR” and “unworkable” Covid-19 close contact rules for boarding school students are forcing some Riverland parents to make snap six-hour return trips to Adelaide – and could ultimately impact their children’s learning and mental health.

Under an SA Health policy, boarding school students are effectively regarded as household members of any Covid-19-positive boarders, meaning affected students are sent home or immediately isolated in their rooms as close contacts.

Parents of boarders believe the requirements discriminate against their children’s day students.



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“If the RAT is negative, boarders can continue to attend school.

“If the exposure occurred from shared sleeping quarters, boarders can participate in onsite activities at the school but not extracurricular activities offsite.

“If exposure occurred in a different setting (not shared sleeping quarters), boarders can participate in onsite activities at the school and extracurricular activities offsite.

“The earlier requirements were necessary to allow SA Health to assess the impacts of Covid-19 cases in boarding school settings and while rates of vaccination were increasing, especially third doses and childhood vaccines.”

Renmark mum Merridy Crook told The Murray Pioneer last month she had made four trips to Adelaide to collect her Covid-free

daughter in less than three weeks.

“My personal issue... is that the school doesn’t want students there who are unwell to stay within the boarding house,” she said.

“Pre-Covid, students would be managed as they would at home: see the doctor, get treated and rest in their rooms.

“I have driven to Adelaide four times in less than three weeks for minor illnesses, not Covid-related.

“I have told the boarding home staff that I cannot keep doing this.

“It is ridiculous.”

Barker MP Tony Pasin also wrote to SA Education Minister John Gardener calling for changes to the close contact protocols for boarders, describing the former rules “unworkable”.

SA Health advice regarding isolation of cases is unchanged at this time.

## School nurtures its own tree of kindness

STUDENTS at a local school recently created a “tree of kindness”, currently on display to highlight two important calendar days.

Renmark Primary School students, with AECEO teacher and tree of kindness co-ordinator Chris Laxton, created the tree for the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA) and Harmony Day.

The theme for this year’s NDA, observed last Friday, March 18, was ‘Kindness Culture – It starts with you’, while Harmony Day is observed annually on March 21 and was marked across the nation this week.

Renmark Primary students wrote what they think kindness means on the leaves, with some adding drawings and extra colour.



Renmark Primary School students Navannah (year 3), Jared, Delaney (both year 1) and Matty (year 3) in front of the “tree of kindness”, on display in the school’s front office. PHOTOS: Elyse Armanini



Students wrote what they thought kindness meant on the leaves of the “tree of kindness”.



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## Lions BBQ for cancer

AN annual fundraising event will take place in Renmark this weekend to raise money for childhood cancer research.

The Lions Club of Renmark will host its Biggest BBQ to raise funds for the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF).

Throughout 2022, 1200 Lions Clubs from across the country will host Biggest BBQ events to raise \$250,000 for cancer research.

“We encourage and hope our community will take the opportunity to join us at this event. Our club has supported ALCCRF for many years,” said Renmark Lions president Allan Maddocks. “Our members felt that with the success of our monthly fundraising bazaars enjoying tremendous community support, it would be a good platform to raise funds for this very worthwhile cause.”

Renmark Lions will hold its Biggest BBQ this Saturday, together with its monthly fundraising bazaar, at Renmark’s No 2 Oval from 8am to 12 noon.

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LEFT: Vickie Williams, Helen Hobbs and Roselyn Sincock at the Loxton Historical Village's River Fringe event, Artful Weekend at the Village, earlier this month. PHOTOS: Nola Schulz



Enjoying the launch of the River Fringe weekend at the Loxton Historical Village recently were Carmel Jackson and Sandy Schmidt, both of Loxton.



Barmera Primary School students enjoyed swimming lessons at the Hayden Stoeckel Pool in Berri recently. Pictured are Koa and Marietta. PHOTOS: supplied



Zara, Kylah, and Kyra



**BUSY PROBUS MEETING:** The Ladies Probus Club of Loxton held its AGM on March 8, when outgoing president Beverly Latham-Stephens inducted five new members. A new committee was subsequently elected, including a new president. Pictured at the meeting are inductees Cathy Hunter and Karen Stiller, outgoing president Beverly Latham-Stephens, and new inductees Raelene Reichstein, Wendy Walker and Janet Summerton. PHOTOS: supplied



New Ladies Probus Club of Loxton president Sandy Sheahan with outgoing president Beverly Latham-Stephens.

## COMMUNITY DIARY

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

**WEEKLY**  
Every Sunday at 2pm – Guided tours of the Pines Historic House, 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. Extra tour inquiries to Helen 0421 601 903.

**WEEKLY**  
The Berri Community Men's Shed is open Mondays and Thursdays 9am to 12 noon. Men welcome.

**WEEKLY**  
Every Thursday & Friday 9:30am to 3:30pm, and Saturday 9:30am to 11:30am, the Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery on Barwell Ave is open for sales. Inquiries to Ruth 0428 899 506.

**WEEKLY**  
Every Monday, even long weekends, 1pm to 4pm. Card and board games

at Renmark Lutheran Church, 62 Seventeenth Street, Renmark. Phone Roz Frazer 8595 1560.

**WEEKLY**  
Bingo at the Loxton Club every Thursday. Eyes down at 7pm, supper and raffles available. All welcome.

**WEEKLY**  
Social badminton is played at the Barmera Recreation Centre every Thursday evening from 6.30pm to 8pm, and Tuesday mornings from 9am to 10.30am. Racquets are available and all welcome. For more information contact Judy 8588 8000.

**WEEKLY**  
Riverland Brass Monday nights 6.30pm to 8.30pm. 1 Verran Terrace, Berri. All welcome.

**WEEKLY**  
Tennis doubles. Every Saturday afternoon at the Berri Tennis Club at 1.30pm there is social tennis. All welcome.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 25**  
The next gathering of the Waikerie & Districts Cancer Support Group will be held at The Carpenters Daughter, 1 Francis Street, Waikerie.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 26**  
Renmark Lions Club 'Fundraising Bazaar' 8am to 12noon at Renmark No. 2 Oval - W E Wood Hall. Lots of bargains. EFTPOS, barbecue, hot donuts. Contact Colin 0419 801 996.

**MONDAY, MARCH 28**  
Riverland Philatelic Society - Stamp Club, meets at the Berri Library, 10am. All Welcome. Note: No meeting on April

25, but May 2.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1 - SATURDAY, APRIL 2**  
SPELD SA free parent workshops at Barmera Primary School. Topics include: Dyslexia, numeracy, executive functioning skills, building resilience & self-esteem, and general literacy.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16**  
Alive Day at the Loxton Historical Village. Blacksmith operating, bakery open and baking fresh bread in the wood-fired oven, shearing and whip-cracking demonstrations, horse and cart rides, food and craft stalls, Devonshire tea, coffee van, free Kid's art and craft activities, stationary engines, 32 Volt display, tractor parade and much more! Open 10am to 4pm, including Easter Monday.



# U3A looking cool with its new grant

UPGRADING the headquarters of a Riverland community group, through an ongoing funding initiative, will ensure the organisation remains “vibrant and sustainable into the future”.

The federal government earlier this month announced U3A Riverland would receive an \$8250 grant – through round 7 of the Stronger Communities Program – for the installation of a new air-conditioner at its building on Strawbridge Street, in Berri.

U3A Riverland grant officer Tony Guster said replacement of the building’s heating and cooling systems would ensure members could use the facilities throughout summer and winter.

“The grant will enable U3A Riverland to install modern, efficient heating and cooling appliances in our building in Strawbridge Street, Berri,” Mr Guster said.

“These air-conditioners will be very supportive of our purpose. Uncomfortable con-

ditions currently experienced in both winter and summer are not conducive to maintaining the health and wellbeing of our members and adversely affect their involvement in the activities we offer.

“The modern appliances are many times more efficient and technologically advanced than the older ones and can be used strategically to make the rooms comfortable for our use and reduce our power bills.”

Barker MP Tony Pasin said the work of U3A volunteers resulted in social and economic benefits for the Riverland.

“Local organisations such as U3A Riverland are so important to the fabric of regional communities,” Mr Pasin said.

“This grant enables U3A to replace the existing old and unsuitable heating and cooling with energy efficient air-conditioning that will allow year-round accessibility in two activity rooms of the U3A building.



Barker MP Tony Pasin (centre) presents U3A Riverland members an \$8250 grant, that will be used to install a new air-conditioner at the group’s building in Berri. PHOTO: supplied

“The facility is run by volunteers and utilised to assist seniors to lead an improved, energised and independent life by providing learning and interest-based activities per year.

“I have seen the impact volunteering

makes in communities throughout the electorate and I’m hopeful this grant, together with others like it will go some way to making volunteering easier for the thousands of volunteers who regularly volunteer their time selflessly for the benefit of others.”

## Former Renmark identity with Pioneer history

LONG-SERVING former Murray Pioneer employee and well-known Renmark man Ron Rosenberg died last month, aged 101.

Mr Rosenberg spent 34 years working as secretary for the Taylor family’s local newspapers, including The Pioneer, The River News and The Loxton News, plus JC Irving printers.

He was born in Orroroo and grew up in several rural SA areas, before enlisting in the Army in 1940 and spending three years in Darwin.

After moving to Renmark, where his parents lived, in 1946, he worked for engineering firm Dix and Son. He married Dorothy Brocksopp in 1949, before accepting the position at The Murray Pioneer.

Mr Rosenberg lived in



Ron Rosenberg

Renmark for 58 years, and was a keen sportsman, particularly enjoying bowls and golf, and in the early years, tennis and cricket. He was also an enthusiastic fisherman and had a great love of the river.

He was a community-minded citizen, and was involved in many committees, including being sec-

retary of the Renmark and District Ambulance group, eventually being awarded life membership.

Dorothy died in 1996 after a long illness, ending 47 years of marriage.

Mr Rosenberg left the Riverland in 2004 to live in a retirement village at Hove, in Adelaide.

At his recent memorial service he was described as having “integrity”.

“He was a most remarkable man and true gentleman who loved being organised, to the nth degree, firm but fair, but very dignified and brave up to his final days.”

Mr Rosenberg is survived by his daughter Ann, stepson John, four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

## Council’s new Aboriginal advisory group

A NEW advisory committee will bring together members of the Mid Murray Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community to give them a stronger voice in shaping the district’s future.

The Mid Murray Council is establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee to “better engage, collaborate and build stronger relationships with the district’s traditional custodians”.

The new group will play a key role in assisting the Council to implement its first Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan to guide cultural awareness, policy development, activities and initiatives that “foster reconciliation and recognise the district’s significant cultural heritage”.

Expressions of interest are now open for people who want to join the Mid Murray Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee.

To apply, complete the online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ATSIAdvisoryCommitteeEOI>, or phone the council on 8569 0100.



Expressions of interest close Friday, April 1.

The council says the Mid Murray has a “proud and rich” Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage and continuing culture, with people connected to several Aboriginal Lands in the district including those of the Nganguraku, Ngar-rindjeri, Peramangk, Ngaiawang, Ngadjuri and Ngarkat peoples.

Two elected members and five community members will make up the new committee.

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## Art group’s tribute to special member



Glen Eshman on the Bonney Theatre stairs for the Cavalcade of Colour opening exhibition in October 2009. PHOTO: supplied

A LOCAL art group has paid tribute to the unique contribution of one of its long-time members who died recently.

The Barmera Art and Craft Gallery officially began on March 12, 1976, and local woman Glen Eshman joined on June 20, 1982.

“Glen was a talented artist and craft person, sewing dolls’ clothes and Barbie doll outfits, which sold very well in the gallery,” said group member Glenys Frost.

“Glen was also a talented writer of poems and a mem-

ber of the Riverland Writers Group, which published a section of poems titled First Vintage in 1984.”

Mrs Frost said Mrs Eshman would recite her poems, rather than reading them.

“She was incredible,” Mrs Frost said.

“And because her mother ensured she had elocution lessons in her young years, Glen had a very clear and expressive voice.”

Over the years Mrs Eshman held several positions on the committee, including publicity officer and secretary for the launch

of the Barmera Gallery Sketch Book in April 1991. She was also secretary of the committee for a number of years up until the early 2000s.

“Glen was an active member of the Barmera Book Club from 2004,” Mrs Frost said.

“So, the Art and Craft Gallery members, plus the people whose lives she touched, will miss her talents, sense of humour, and enquiring mind, which we all enjoyed when she was an active member.”

Mrs Eshman passed away in January, aged 96.



Organisers Jess and Jason Ackland’s Sandman panelvan will be on display during the Australian Van Nationals Easter event in Barmera. PHOTOS: supplied

## Old school vans event returning to Riverland

AN annual event coming to Barmera this Easter is expected to draw more than 200 old school vehicles to the Riverland, while also raising money for two charity organisations.

The 46th Australian Van Nationals event, Back to the Riverland 2022, will celebrate and display vans such as the iconic Sandman panelvan, Ford Escorts, Drifters, Bedford vans, Combi vans, newer millennium-style vans and wagons, plus many more.

The event will be held at Field Day Drive, Barmera, from Friday, April 15 to Monday, April 18 for van entrants.

A public entry and show day on Saturday, April 16, from 10am to 4pm will include a local show and shine for Riverlanders who wish to display their vehicle, of any age or type.

The event fundraises for selected charities, and this year the Riverland Make-A-Wish branch will be supported, plus a second charity, Donate Life.

“In 2018, we supported the Riverland

branch of Make-A-Wish, an organisation which helps bring much needed joy and reprieve to kids dealing with life threatening medical conditions, through the wishes they bring to life,” said organiser Jess Ackland.

“We raised just under \$20,000 for Make-A-Wish, which brought three wishes to life for three Riverland kids.”

The decision to include a second charity for the 2022 event came from Mrs Ackland’s personal experience with organ donation.

“I’m a double lung transplant recipient due to cystic fibrosis, and know firsthand how important organ donation is, and the roll Donate Life plays,” she said.

“The support Donate Life gives to donor families, and the donor recipients and their families is what we want to support.

“Our goal is to host another successful, memorable event, showcase the Riverland, and at the end have two mighty big donations to give to Make-A-Wish, and Donate Life.”



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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 TO TUESDAY, MARCH 29

WEDNESDAY	<div>ABC1</div> <p>6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Four Corner; 11:00 Don't Stop The Music; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 National Press Club Address; 1:40 Media Watch; 2:00 Press; 3:00 ABC News Afternoons; 4:00 Escape From The City; 5:00 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One; 5:25 Hard Quiz 6:00 The Drum 7:00 ABC News 7:30 7.30 8:00 Hard Quiz 8:30 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL 9:00 Starstruck 9:25 QI 9:55 Adam Hills 10:35 ABC Late News 10:50 The Business 11:10 Killing Eve</p>	<div>ABC2</div> <p>5:05 Little Princess; 5:15 Hoot Hoot Gol; 5:20 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 School Of Roars 6:05 Octonauts 6:20 Bluey 6:25 Shaun The Sheep 6:40 Andy's Safari Adventures 7:00 Dino Dana 7:10 Andy And The Band 7:30 Anh's Brush With Fame 8:00 Art Works 8:30 Tate Britain's Great Art Walks 9:15 Fake Or Fortune? 10:20 Keeping Australia Safe 11:20 Louis Theroux 12:20 Community 12:45 Parks and Recreation 1:10 ABC News Update 1:15 ABC TV Plus Programs Re-sume At 7.30pm</p>	<div>7</div> <p>6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 I'll Be Watching; 2:00 Autopsy USA; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia 6:00 Seven News 7:00 Home And Away 7:30 Warnie 8:30 The Front Bar 9:30 The Latest: Seven News 10:00 Unbelievable Moments Caught On Camera 11:00 Autopsy USA 12:00 Splitting Up Together 1:30 Harry's Practice 2:00 Home Shopping 4:00 NBC Today 5:00 Seven Early News 5:30 Sunrise</p>	<div>9</div> <p>6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Married At First Sight; 1:30 My Way; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News 6:00 Nine News 7:00 A Current Affair 7:30 Married At First Sight 9:00 Under Investigation 10:00 Nine News Late 10:30 Footy Classified 11:30 Grand Hotel 12:20 Tipping Point 1:20 Talking Honey 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 2:30 Global Shop 3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory 4:30 A Current Affair 5:00 Nine News Early Edition</p>	<div>WIN</div> <p>6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 To Be Advised; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 Left Off The Map; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First 6:30 The Project 7:30 Ambulance Australia 8:30 Gogglebox Australia 9:30 To Be Advised 10:30 This Is Us 11:30 The Project Encore 12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1:30 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS Mornings</p>	<div>SBS</div> <p>6:00 France 24 Feature; 5:15 NHK World English News; 5:30 Deutsche Welle English News; 6:00 France 24 English News First Edition; 6:30 Al Jazeera News; 7:30 Italian News; 8:10 Filipino News; 8:40 French News; 09:30 Greek News; 10:30 German News; 11:00 Spanish News; 11:30 Turkish News; 12:00 Arabic News F24; 12:30 ABC America; 1:00 PBS Newshour; 2:00 Dateline; 2:30 Insight; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:40 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:10 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys; 5:05 Jeopardy!; 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Michael Mosley's Health Intervention 8:30 Life On The Outside</p>
	<p>6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 Gardening Australia Presents; 11:00 The Wildlife Revolution - A Catalyst Special; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Hard Quiz; 1:30 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL; 2:00 Press; 3:00 ABC News Afternoons; 4:00 Escape From The City; 4:55 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One; 5:25 Hard Quiz 6:00 The Drum 6:55 Sammy J 7:00 ABC News 7:30 7.30 8:00 Foreign Correspondent 8:30 Q+A 9:35 Rosie Batty's One Plus One 10:05 Scottish Vets Down Under 10:35 ABC Late News 10:50 The Business</p>	<p>5:05 Little Princess; 5:15 Hoot Hoot Gol; 5:20 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 School Of Roars 6:20 Bluey 6:25 Shaun The Sheep 6:40 Andy's Safari Adventures 7:00 Dino Dana 7:10 Andy And The Band 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:30 Penn And Teller: Fool Us 9:10 Hard Quiz 9:40 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL 10:10 QI 10:45 Gruen 11:20 Live At The Apollo 12:05 Would I Lie To You? 12:35 Community 1:05 Parks and Recreation 1:30 Plebs</p>	<p>6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Pay It Forward; 2:30 Dog Patrol; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia 6:00 Seven News 6:50 AFL 10:00 AFL Post Game 10:30 The Latest: Seven News 11:00 TBA 12:00 Air Crash Investigations 1:00 Travel Oz 1:30 Harry's Practice 2:00 Home Shopping 4:00 NBC Today 5:00 Seven Early News 5:30 Sunrise</p>	<p>6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Married At First Sight; 1:30 Driving Test; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News 6:00 Nine News 7:00 A Current Affair 7:30 Rbt 8:30 Australia Behind Bars 9:30 A+E After Dark 10:30 Nine News Late 11:00 New Amsterdam 11:45 The Horn 12:35 Tipping Point 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 2:30 Global Shop 3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory 4:30 A Current Affair 5:00 Nine News Early Edition</p>	<p>6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 Australian Survivor Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 Left Off The Map; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold &amp; The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First 6:30 The Project 7:30 Football - Socceroos V Japan 10:00 Law &amp; Order 12:00 The Project Encore 1:00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 2:00 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS Mornings</p>	<p>6:00 France 24 Feature; 5:15 NHK World English News; 5:30 Deutsche Welle English News; 6:00 France 24 English News First Edition; 6:30 Al Jazeera News; 7:30 Italian News; 8:10 Filipino News; 8:40 French News; 09:30 Greek News; 10:30 German News; 11:00 Spanish News; 11:30 Turkish News; 12:00 Arabic News F24; 12:30 ABC America; 1:00 PBS Newshour; 2:00 North America With Simon Reeve; 3:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:40 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:10 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys; 5:05 Jeopardy!; 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Every Family Has A Secret</p>
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# Word search

## How many words can you find?

- ADDED

AIMS

ALARMED

ARAB

ATOMS

BLADE

BREAD

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COPIES
- COWS

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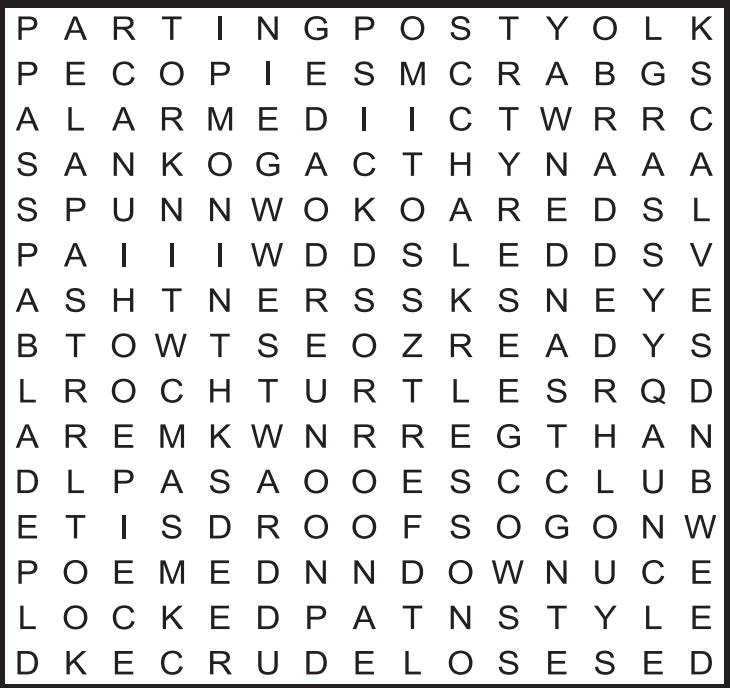
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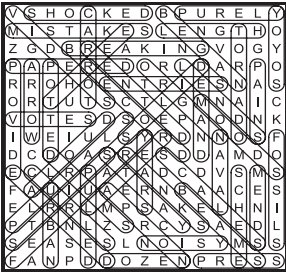
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Last Week's Solution



Crossword

ACROSS

1. Implore

5. Fold

9. Muse of lyric poetry

11. Measure of length

12. Idolise

13. Globe

15. Hint

16. Amaze

18. Cults

20. Peaked forage cap

21. Genuine

23. Fame

25. Annoyed

26. Favour

28. Insects

30. Responsibility

32. Prevaricators

33. Religious expeditions

34. Fire residue

36. Wrongdoing

37. Solitary

38. Cricket match recess

39. Pluck

40. Insect

41. Chemical compound

DOWN

2. Climbing device

3. Charge with gas

4. Garment

5. Trapped

6. Cunning

7. French coin

8. Type of flower

10. Captured

14. Two-footed

17. Drink in small quantities

18. Specify

19. Attractive

22. Reading

24. Forearm bone

25. Planet

27. Pro

28. Church parts

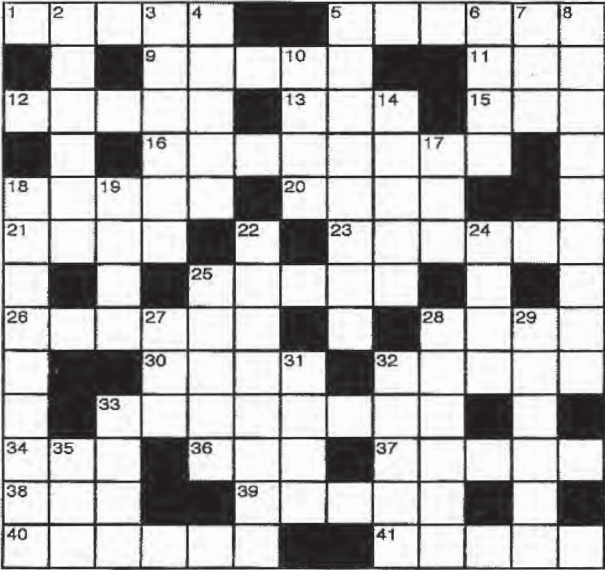
29. Catalepsy

31. Level-headed

32. Permission

33. Burn

35. Mass of salt water



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



BUDDY BUNYIP

BIRTHDAY LIST

Don't forget that if your name appears on my birthday list then you can pick up a voucher from the Murray Pioneer, for a FREE Popcorn Chicken & Orange Juice, compliments of KFC in Renmark!

Interested in appearing on Buddy's Birthday list?

Contact: Murray Pioneer 8586 8000

## March 2022 Horoscopes: week 4

**ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)**  
A dream which gives you insight into recent events may not give you all the facts. You will need to drill down to find out another level of meaning within the dream. **Romance.** An unfortunate comment from your partner could cause you to go off the handle. Hold back before you say too much, however.

**TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)**  
A powerful aspect to Jupiter will give you the confidence you need to make some changes in your life. Don't be afraid to push ahead with an idea which many people say is not going to work. **Romance.** You may find it difficult to work out what it is that a new acquaintance really thinks about you.

**GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)**  
You might be feeling a little self-conscious at the moment. Don't try too hard to create a good impression: people will judge you by what is inside, not on your appearance. **Romance.** A positive aspect to Venus will help to put your relationship into better shape.

**CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)**  
A letter which goes astray later in the week could create problems for somebody whom you care about. Do your best to double-check all important details before you rely on them. **Romance.** Don't let a slight frustration degenerate into an argument. A subtle approach will be much more effective.

**LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)**  
A positive aspect to Jupiter will help to give your luck a boost this week. Do your best to capitalize on any gains. **Romance.** Make sure that you deal properly with an issue that has come between you and your partner. You must be clear in your own mind about what you want and must express your needs clearly.

**VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)**  
Getting through other people's money is always easier than spending your own. Make sure that you make responsible decisions, however. You may be short of cash later in the week. **Romance.** You will need a lot of support from your partner. Unfortunately, they may be a little hard to pin down at the moment.

**LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)**  
Thinking over your plans for the future will help you to come to a sensible decision. Use your intuition and trust to your gut feelings about what you should do next. **Romance.** A dream will give you an important message, which you should do your best to take seriously. It will be a while before you finally understand it, however.

**SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)**  
Try not to let your boss push you into doing more work than you can manage. You have done a great deal recently and need time to relax. **Romance.** A powerful aspect to Mercury later in the week could lead to misunderstandings. Be especially careful to avoid criticising your partner.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)**  
Fresh air will help you to see recent events in a much more positive light. You need a broader perspective on the situation in order to make the best decision. **Romance.** A person who holds you in high esteem will give your confidence a major boost. This friend can appreciate a side to you which other people sometimes miss.

**CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)**  
You might find it difficult to do tasks which require a lot of discipline at the moment. You will be able to stick to tasks which you enjoy, but may find it harder to motivate yourself to do work which you don't normally like. **Romance.** A recent kindness will not go unrewarded.

**AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)**  
A positive aspect to Mercury early in the week will help you to think clearly and logically. Your powers of intuition may not be running at full speed, but this will be an excellent time for dealing with a problem that requires more analytical thought. **Romance.** This will be a very good time for romance. Your partner might prefer it if you calmed down a little, however.

**PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)**  
A co-worker who suddenly becomes much more helpful than usual may have an ulterior motive. Do your best to work out what is behind this before you get too deeply involved. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Venus will help to give your love-life a huge boost. If you are patient you will be rewarded.

## SUDOKU No.369

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

8	7	2	4	6	1	5	3	9
9	4	3	5	7	8	6	2	1
5	6	1	3	2	9	4	8	7
2	8	7	6	1	5	9	4	3
3	5	4	7	9	2	1	6	8
6	1	9	8	4	3	7	5	2
4	9	8	2	5	7	3	1	6
1	3	6	9	8	4	2	7	5
7	2	5	1	3	6	8	9	4

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

Level of Difficulty:

Easy

Solution No. 368

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A full range of crossword and sudoku magazines are available from the Loxton Newsagency East Terrace, Loxton - Phone 8584 7750



# Loxton temporary headquarters for SA CWA members

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

ABOUT 125 South Australian women gathered in Loxton earlier this month for a special meeting.

The South Australian Country Women’s Association (SACWA) hosted its state council meeting at The Precinct Loxton, with president Davina Quirke describing the two-day event as “brilliant”.

“The location was fantastic and everyone enjoyed being in

Loxton,” she said.  
“There were 125 people, who came from across the state. We have 107 branches, with many of them represented.  
“It was a great time for people to get together.”  
Ms Quirke said the meeting covered various topics, with reports from committees and an emphasis on friendship.  
The meeting was officially opened by Loxton Waikerie Mayor Leon Stasinowsky.

““ The location was fantastic and everyone enjoyed being in Loxton...  
– SACWA president Davina Quirke



At the South Australian Country Women’s Association state council meeting earlier this month were Loxton district branch’s Kath Gillard and Ann Dunbar, state president Davina Quirke, Loxton president Carol Beswick and deputy president Sharyn Muller. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

THE State Election is over and South Australia has a new premier. Peter Malinauskas and his Labor team will now be leading our state. Congratulations also to Tim Whetstone, who will continue to represent the people of Chaffey.

The River Fringe event closed at the weekend. It featured several opportunities for locals to enjoy the performances. We are grateful that our region was given the experience to participate in this exciting state event. Thanks to Loxton Waikerie council for its involvement.

Caudo’s Vineyard & Cellar Door was the venue at the weekend when life members, former members and volunteers of the previous Waikerie Speedway Club had a get together to reconnect and reminisce of days gone by. It was interesting to hear of those early days and the commitment of those enthusiasts who were passionate about getting the speedway track to the standard of state titles. In the early years racing bikes and cars competed on dirt tracks on private properties and paddocks in the area. The group plans to reach out and invite those who were involved in the Waikerie Speedway

Club to contribute in collating memorabilia so that the history of the club can be recorded and shared to others. For further details contact Merald Neal (0428 208 542) or Gwen Webber (0408 609 304).

This Saturday, March 26, the Adelaide Crows Riverland Supporters Group welcomes members and supporters to the Waikerie Hotel to watch the Crows versus Collingwood MCG game on the big screen at 1.15pm. Membership forms will be available for those who wish to join the group. Yearly membership is \$25 per person. Afternoon tea will be provided at half time, while lucky door prizes will also be a feature of the day.

Congratulations and happy birthday to one of our much-admired senior citizens who celebrated her 93rd birthday recently. Eileen Thompson, we trust you enjoyed the day with your family.

If you want a pleasant evening of entertainment tomorrow (Thursday, March 24) get your ticket now for Music on the Deck at 849 Taylorville Road, to enjoy the talents of Felicity Urquhart and Josh Cunningham. Chairs are pro-

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vided in marquee setting. Please BYO nibbles and drinks. It’s a 7pm start, with the cost \$35 per person. Bookings with Susan (0417 854 972). Do yourself and friends a favour, get your tickets today – and there maybe even be a tune or two from Highway One.

The Ramco Hall and surrounds was a busy area on Sunday for the plant sale and mini fete organised by the members of Waikerie Districts Garden Club. Thanks to all the enthusiastic gardeners who had such a varied array of plants for sale. Many other variety stalls were kept busy throughout the day. The extensive range of products on display and for sale inside the

Ramco hall were well displayed and of high quality. I was impressed with the face painting and watching with interest were several little ones waiting their turn.

Tomorrow (March 24) from 7pm, members of the Waikerie District Flower Show committee welcome all interested residents to their annual general meeting, at the Ramco Hall.

The Waikerie Lions Club will support a free skin cancer screening on Saturday, April 9, from 9am until 3.45pm and Sunday, April 10, from 9am until 2.45pm. Appointment bookings are essential (phone Pam 0427 074 145). The Lions mobile screening van will be at Waikerie Civic Centre, near the library.

For those getting up in the mornings to find it still dark, we only have a week to go and daylight saving will be over for another year.

Thought for the week:  
Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.

- George Bernard Shaw

## the quarantine quiz



1. How many nations are part of the Commonwealth?

2. Sailors from years past suffered from scurvy due to a lack of what?

3. Kiwifruit are indigenous to what part of the world?

4. “We’ve got to have rules and we’ve got to obey them. After all, we’re not savages” comes from what novel?

5. What year did Australia last host the Commonwealth Games?

6. Which famous drink originated in the Raffles Hotel in Singapore?

7. Which famous statue by Michelangelo is in the Italian city of Florence?
8. What type of seaweed grows up to 100 metres in length?

9. Which flower does the spice saffron come from?

10. In which city is the CN Tower?

11. Who was Australia’s ‘golden girl of athletics’ during the 1950s?

12. Who was the host of the American travel and food show called No Reservations?

13. In 1967, Australian Prime Minister Harold Holt died, presumably drowned at which Australian beach?

14. Which 1989 movie has the following line “Carpe Diem. Seize the day, boys. Make your lives extraordinary.”?
15. Which famous English ice dancing duo in 1984 at Sarajevo became the highest scoring Olympic competitors of all time?

16. Who in 1667 wrote the epic poem Paradise Lost?

17. The Alfred Hitchcock movie, Rear Window (1954), starred which male American actor?

18. What leaves does a silkworm prefer to eat?

19. What famous movie does this line belong to: “My mama always said life is like a box of chocolates”?

20. What state in Australia will you find the ‘Big Lobster’?

**BONUS QUESTION:** The first artificially refrigerated ice rink opened in which country? Answer in next week’s Quiz.

Answers on page 41

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# LOOKING BACK AT 130 YEARS

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## DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO REACH THE BALL



1972

Dakota defender Jan Tiller makes a soccer-like attempt to reach the ball during the Waikerie basketball women's A Grade grand final on Friday night, between Dakotas and Cherokees.



1997

The victorious Loxton Supercats A grade women's team. **Front from left**, Lyn Sweeney, Sarah Pfeiler, Jill Lange.

**Middle row**, Kelly Moore, Renee Hammerstein, Tanya Milich, Lisa 'Sam' Fielke.

**Back row**, Carlee Patterson, Shannon Davis.



1997

**ABOVE THE PACK:** There was plenty of high-flying action when Renmark faced Berri in Big River League under 18 basketball recently.



1997

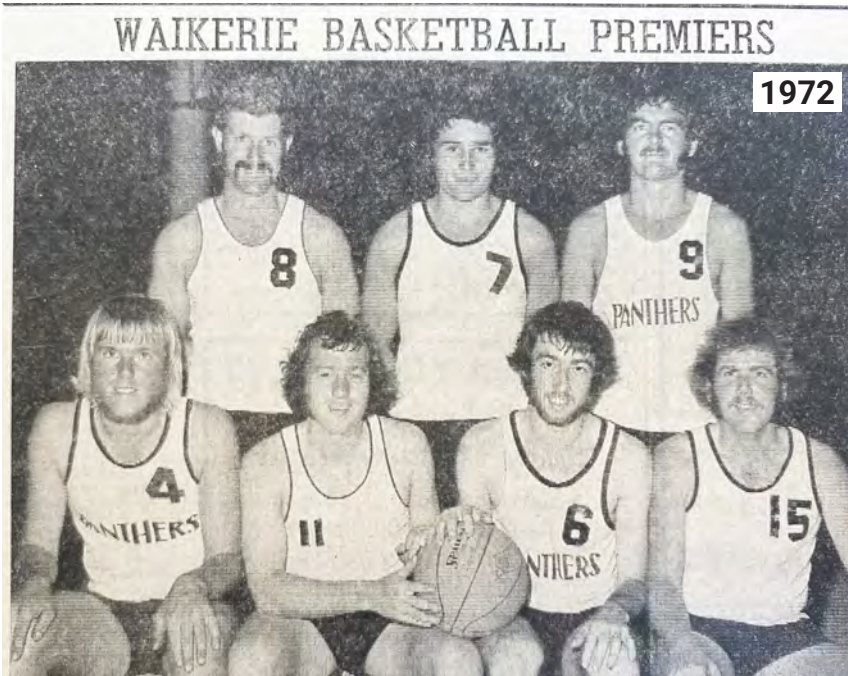
**TOP:** Berri's Kristen Hargreaves reaches over Bamera's Renae Maddern-Book for a rebound. Looking on is Bamera's Sally Mostert, right, and Berri's Sarah Ormsby (No. 30).

**BELOW:** Bamera's Kym Gilgen grabs a rebound in front of a team-mate Andrew Webber, and Berri opponent Matthew May.



1987

**PASS BY CHRIS:** Joanne Van Hensbergen, of Saints I (No. 4) tries to block a pass by Chris O'Leary, of Demons, in A Grade women's Bamera outdoor basketball last Thursday. Also in the photo are from left, Joanne's sister Martine Van Hensbergen, of Saints I and Jill Rivers, of Demons (No. 6).



1972

## WAIKERIE BASKETBALL PREMIERS



1997



**TOP:** Charmaine Seekamp, of Renmark, holds the trophy she won as best and fairest player in the women's A Reserve competition at the recent SA Country Basketball Carnival in Adelaide.

**FAR LEFT:** Panthers team, men's A Grade premiers of Waikerie basketball. Back row (from left): Ken Morley, Terry Ryan, Gary Pursche. Front: Ian Miller, Robert Thurmer, David Holman, Lawrie Gibson.





# New 2022 SA industry leader grants open

A STUDY grant scheme – that has previously helped employees at places like Amaroo Select Harvests and Angove Family Winemakers – is now open for 2022 applications.

The SA Industry Leaders Fund invites high-achieving business leaders and aspiring executives to apply for up to \$50,000 each to develop their professional potential.

Successful recipients join an influential 237-member network which has collectively created 2954 South Australian-based jobs since the scheme began in 2010 at an average grant dollar cost of \$700, down from \$800 last year.

ILF chief executive Geoff Vogt says the job creation cost compares favourably with worldwide benchmarks and the \$2500-a-year spent by the state’s Job Accelerator Grant Scheme, for every job generated.

“It shows that we are an effective scheme, wholly funded by private enterprise, which supports innovative industry leaders to grow their business, nationally and globally, as well as their workforce,” Mr Vogt said.

Now in its 13th year, the ILF program has awarded 237 grants totalling \$2.86 million and adds a new Seeley International Imagineering Award this year, to be given to the scholar with an innovative engineering approach to manufacturing business in their career to date.

Applicants should visit the Industry Leaders Fund website (<https://industryleaders.com.au/>) for eligibility criteria before applications close on Tuesday, May 31.



## \$5k community grant applications

RIVERLAND not-for-profit organisations, schools, registered charities and community groups can apply for community-orientated grants up to \$5000, with applications open now.

The SA Power Networks Community Grants program was created to assist communities to make a difference in their local area.

To be eligible, applicants must deliver an activity, event or program that supports the local community within 12 months of the date of the application.

Activities, events or programs need to make a positive impact in one or more of the following areas:

- Keeping the community safe
- Supporting our customers and community
- Growing a sustainable SA
- Supporting innovation for future growth

Applications close Monday, May 2 at 5pm.

For more information, or to download an application form, visit the SA Power Networks website ([www.sapowernetworks.com.au/about-us/community/communitygrants/](http://www.sapowernetworks.com.au/about-us/community/communitygrants/)).

I can work in a multi-disciplinary team which helps me to get the best results for my clients. I am part of a supportive and caring team environment, where my colleagues are my best friends. There are many opportunities to diversify my role and continually challenge myself to improve the lives of country people and their families.


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### Full-time Retail Sales – Fishing Tackle and Outdoors

Spot On Fishing Outdoors Berri is seeking a suitable motivated person to join our team. A full time position exists after a 3 month probation period for a person that is committed to a high level of customer service and has the capacity to handle daily operations of our retail departments.


You will need to have an outgoing personality, enjoy customer sales & service, have experience in merchandising and daily use of a point of sale system. A current driver's licence is essential and a forklift licence will be advantageous.

An interest in fishing and outdoors is highly desirable together with the ability to work within our seasonal requirement guidelines. (Including rostered weekends and public holidays). We will provide on job training for aspects of retailing where required.

Please send your application detailing relevant experience and skills together with personal particulars marked "In-Confidence" to:

The Proprietor  
Spot On Outdoors  
8 Denny st,  
Berri SA 5345

Applications close 3/04/2022



## DIRECTORY DISTRIBUTORS WANTED

### EARN EXTRA \$\$\$\$

Distribution of the Renmark Yellow Pages telephone directory is due to commence on **26th March 2022** and we are seeking reliable distributors to assist us with the deliveries.

Excellent opportunity for Individuals and Families to earn some extra cash and Community, School, and Sporting Groups to raise some extra funds.

Must have a suitable vehicle (ute, van or trailer preferred). Full instructions and support given.

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## Branch Coordinator

### About Us

Meals on Wheels is South Australia's largest community-based volunteer organisation and is responsible for 84 branches, 7000 volunteers and 100 staff delivering 4000 daily meals and supporting 11,000 people annually.

### About the Role

The Branch Coordinator role is both hands on and also provides training and supervision to ensure that volunteers produce quality, nutritious and well-presented meals, delivered safely to our customer's homes.

### We currently have two positions available:

- 1 x 20 hours a week based in Renmark
- 1 x 15 hours a week based in Waikerie.

Positions are permanent part time 5 days a week

### We are looking for a Branch Coordinator who can:

- Demonstrate excellent supervisory skills and the ability to coach and develop people.
- Has the ability to maintain positive team relationships with volunteers, staff and other stakeholders.
- Possess an effective operational understanding (or ability to quickly learn) of Meals on Wheels operations.
- Has coordination, organisation, time management and logistic skills.
- Has an ability to prioritise and organise work to meet conflicting demands.
- Provide administrative assistance to support the branch & maintain database

Cooking experience desirable

All Meals on Wheels SA employees must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19

Please direct any inquiries to Freecall 1800 854 453 & ask for Rosslyn or email resume to [rosslyn@mealsonwheelssa.org.au](mailto:rosslyn@mealsonwheelssa.org.au)



## Personal Care Attendant

Riverview is currently seeking Permanent Part-Time Personal Care Attendants.

### Qualifications and Requirements:

**Essential**

- Certificate III Individual Support (Aged Care)
- Holds and maintains satisfactory police check/NDIS Worker's Clearance no more than 3 years' old
- COVID-19 Vaccinations
- Current Influenza vaccination

**Desirable**

- Previous experience in an aged care setting
- Certificate IV Aged Care

A copy of the Job and Person Specification can be found on our website under About Us, Employment Opportunities

Applications to [hr@riverviewresthome.com.au](mailto:hr@riverviewresthome.com.au) and close on Sunday, April 3rd, 5pm.

## Enrolled Nurse – Casual

Riverview is seeking to employ a Casual Enrolled Nurse.

### Qualifications and Requirements:

**Essential**

- Registered as a Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and holds a current Annual Practising Certificate
- Holds and maintains satisfactory police check/NDIS Worker's Clearance no more than 3 years' old
- COVID-19 Vaccinations
- Current Influenza vaccination

**Desirable**

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**REMARK  
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## ECOLOGIST Graduate Entry Level

Renmark Irrigation Trust has a long and proud history of underpinning the wealth and wellbeing of the Renmark area by providing irrigation water and drainage services. The Trust is also committed to restoring local floodplains and is the first irrigation entity in Australia to receive the Alliance for Water Stewardship Platinum Certification.

The Trust is seeking an enthusiastic person with a relevant degree level in the social science of environmental studies, natural resource management or related discipline, to be responsible for delivering the Trust's environmental watering program. This includes planning and co-ordination, monitoring and reporting, and compliance. The position is also responsible for initiating, planning, co-ordinating and participating in, related floodplain restoration activities and engaging with the community and other stakeholders. Initially, this new full-time position is for a 2 year fixed term.

Key to success in this role will be a passion for the riverine environment and the ability to develop and implement projects and activities that maximise the health of our floodplains for the benefit of the community.

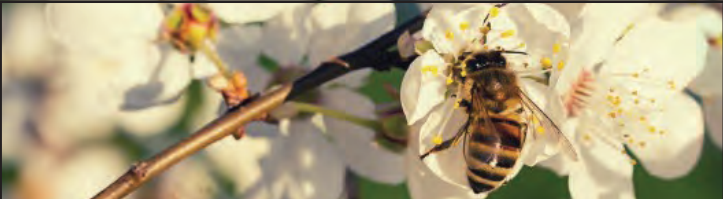
Further information, including a Position Description, may be obtained by emailing: [jobs@rit.org.au](mailto:jobs@rit.org.au)

Applications close on Monday 4 April 2022

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## SELECT HARVESTS LIMITED IRRIGATION 2IC

**An exciting opportunity exists at our Amaroo Orchard for a 2IC Irrigation Manager which is an excellent opportunity to grow within our business and the within the Almond Industry.**

This position will support the Irrigation Manager & Irrigation team in operations and infrastructure upgrades, while optimising irrigation and fertiliser applications and maximising tree growth on the Amaroo Orchards. This is an exciting opportunity to either further your career in Irrigation or commence in this important field and develop skills in the Horticultural industry.

Our Amaroo Orchard is in Paringa SA and is 1,131 ha.

### In this position you be responsible for;

- implementing fertiliser & irrigation programs
- monitoring and maintaining soil moisture
- maintain the farms irrigation equipment
- identification of wet areas and undertake correct action
- administrative support and maintenance if irrigation records/reports when required
- support the management & training of new staff
- working as part of a collaborative team on farm
- the irrigation 2IC will directly support the Irrigation manager & assist with management of the rest of the team

In exchange for your experience, commitment to safety and results, you will join a fast-growing industry and company. We offer a safe, collaborative culture with a multi-cultural team, community focus. You will be provided with training, career and development opportunities.

Applications close April 15, 2022



**For more information about the position and to submit an application please contact NATHAN FOO, Farm Manager on 0428 853 178 or send your application to [nfoo@selectharvests.com.au](mailto:nfoo@selectharvests.com.au)**

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## Front Office Manager

This position will work to assist current management with the operation and management of front office. Previous management experience essential. Experience with RMS or similar reservation system is preferred but not essential. Excellent computer skills essential. Excellent communication, time management and customer service skills also essential. Rotating full-time hours includes some weekends and public holidays.

**Please send your resume to  
[manager@big4renmark.com.au](mailto:manager@big4renmark.com.au)**

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## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Berri Cottage Homes are looking for an administration person to attend the office at the Cottage Homes.

### Duties include:

- Administration
- Computer skills
- IT skills
- Minute taking
- Answering phone

Job description available on request.

**Please submit your  
cover letter and resume to:  
[admin@berricottagehomes.com.au](mailto:admin@berricottagehomes.com.au)  
by 7 April 2022**

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**Electrical  
Laser**

## Administration Support Officer TRAINEESHIP POSITION

**Laser Electrical Renmark** is expanding, we have a very strong client base with a reputation for excellence in all that we do. We have been servicing the needs of rural, commercial, and industrial clients in the Riverland for over 20 years. We are a proud local family run business made up of quality-focused trade service professionals in the Electrical industry. In addition to the wealth of experience and knowledge within our teams

### About the Role:

An excellent opportunity has become available for an enthusiastic and motivated person to join our Administration Team full time. This is a fully supported role.

We are looking for candidates with a happy and positive attitude, who will thrive in a fast paced role.

- General office administration + front reception duties including answering the telephone
- Customer service + assistance

### Skills required:

- A genuine desire to undertake an Administration Traineeship
- Experienced computer literacy
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Sound organisational skills, the capacity to prioritise, and to maintain attention to detail

If you are a self-starter, highly motivated and energetic individual with strong work ethics, looking for a challenge and to make their mark on the growth of a successful award-winning company, then we would like to hear from you.

**Please email your resume and application letter to Paula Butters at  
[renmark@laserelectrical.com.au](mailto:renmark@laserelectrical.com.au) by date 4th April 22**

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## ADMINISTRATOR- EXPORT

Costa is Australia's leading grower, packer and marketer of premium quality fresh fruit and vegetables. We nurture our people, cultivate our growing sites and invest in ongoing research and development. All of the products we grow, and sell are fresh, nutritious, unprocessed and grown on our very own farms or those of our partner growers. On the land, in distribution centres, and out on the roads – Costa people work hard to bring the freshest produce to tables across Australia. But joining our team is about more than just hard work. It's about picking a meaningful, sustainable job that's good for you, and for Australia. Due to continued export growth in the business, Costa is looking for two (2) Export Documents Administrator's to join our team. This role is responsible for the coordination of the end-to-end export documentation processes for the category. A key component of this role is maintaining strong relationships and delivering exceptional customer service to our partners and key stakeholders. Key Responsibilities include:

- ☐ Support Costa's culture of care for People, Product and our Community
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- ☐ Customer invoicing and debtor recording
- ☐ Coding and checking invoices from accounts payable
- ☐ Working with management to continually develop and improve current reporting processes to meet the needs of the business
- ☐ General assistance and administration support for Renmark office

### Key Attributes and Experience:

- Strong understanding of the workings of an international supply chain
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- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Strong attention to detail and ability to prioritise effectively

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**Administrative Assistant (ANZAHPE)**

**JR0000003886**

**About Flinders**  
Our bold vision, captured in our Strategic Plan: Making a Difference: The 2025 Agenda, is to be internationally recognised as a world leader in research, an innovator in contemporary education, and the source of Australia's most enterprising graduates.

We recognise the key to our success is exceptional people and we're seeking an outstanding individual to join the team of our transformed university.

**About the Position**  
The Australian & New Zealand Association for Health Professional Educators (ANZAHPE) is a not-for-profit member organisation and is the peak body for practitioners involved in the education and training of health professionals in Australia and New Zealand. The ANZAHPE office is hosted at Flinders University as part of an agreement between Flinders University and ANZAHPE.

Under routine direction the Administrative Assistant (ANZAHPE) will provide administrative support to the Executive Officer, Committee of Management, ANZAHPE journal board, Fellowship and Professional Development Committees, and ANZAHPE members.

The position may be located at any Flinders Rural Remote Health Campus in South Australia or metropolitan site, but responsible for working across a geographically dispersed team which will require an understanding of working within the remote context.

**Key Position Responsibilities**  
The Administrative Assistant is accountable for:

1. Provide administration support to the ANZAHPE Executive Officer and Committee of Management.
2. Working within a framework of established policies and work systems to:

- Provide administrative support for the ANZAHPE journal including correspondence associated with journal submissions, and liaison with the Editor and Editorial team
- Provide administrative support to the ANZAHPE Fellowship scheme
- Assist with ANZAHPE website updates and maintenance
- Assist with preparation and publication of the ANZAHPE e-Bulletin
- Assist with written and verbal communications for ANZAHPE members and relevant parties associated with ANZAHPE
- Provide support and assistance for ANZAHPE Events
- Provide support and assistance for the planning and organisation of ANZAHPE Committee meetings

*Any other responsibilities in line with the level of the position as assigned by the Supervisor and/or the ANZAHPE Committee of Management.*

- **College of Medicine and Public Health**
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**VOIGT, Les.**

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the lucky few.

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have you in our lives.

Wishing you a special  
day that honours your  
100th birthday and  
everything you have  
done for your family  
over the years.

Enjoy your day.

Happy 100th birthday  
Dad, Pa and Les.

Lots of love from  
Sharyn and Craig,  
Ken and Cameron,  
Regi and Jaz,  
Brad and Helen.

## APPROACHING WEDDING

**MILICH - HOLT,**  
Anthony and Wendy.

Congratulations  
on your upcoming  
marriage on  
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**TRENWITH, Roger and  
Judy.**

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anniversary for  
March 31, 2022.

Something  
truly special to  
commemorate your  
diamond anniversary.

A rock solid  
relationship which  
we all aspire too.

Lotsa love,  
Deb, Vicki, Fred  
and families.

Hoping you get  
to celebrate  
many more. xo

## DEATHS

**EBERT, Neil John.**  
21/10/1950 –  
18/3/2022

Son of Murray  
(deceased) and  
Gladys (deceased).  
Brother of Ian.

Father of Andrew,  
Brian, Rachel,  
Belinda and Carolyn  
and their partners.

Grandfather to 18 and  
great-grandfather of 2.

Psalms 73:26

My flesh and  
my heart may fail,  
but God is the  
strength of my  
heart and my  
portion forever.

Passed away  
after a courageously  
long battle with  
pancreatic cancer.  
Aged 71 years.

We would like to  
thank Dr. Kelly Mibus,  
and the nurses  
and staff at the  
Waikerie Hospital  
for caring for him.

Thank you also to  
all those who have  
cared, prayed and  
supported Neil and  
his family during this  
challenging time.

## DEATHS

**ECKERMANN, Kathleen** Frances (nee  
Blascheck).

Born in Kimba on  
October 18, 1944.

Passed away  
peacefully after  
a short illness on  
March 15, 2022.

Loved daughter  
of Franz and  
Avis Blascheck  
(deceased).

Sister to  
Juleen (deceased),  
Velma and Steven.

Beloved wife of  
Alan for 60 years.

Much-loved mother  
and mother-in-law of  
Sharon and Mark,  
Lyn, Kym and Karen.

Loved Nanna E of  
Jade, Aaron, Hayley,  
Kaitlyn, Braydon,  
Trent, Shaelea  
and Taneisha.

Loved Great-nanna E  
to Seth, Axel, Hayden,  
Abbie, Ryder, Rhylan,  
Hadley, Zoe and Levi.

“Gone fishing.”

Kathleen was  
privately cremated  
as per her wishes.

If friends or family  
are considering floral  
condolences, the  
family would like you  
to consider donations  
to the Royal Flying  
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lieu of flowers.

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**ECKERMANN, Kath.**

Dear sister,  
sadly missed.

Now at rest.

Miss you,  
Steve and Matt,  
and the  
Blascheck family.

**KENT, George**  
Alexander.

Passed away  
peacefully with family  
present at Melaleuca  
House on Tuesday,  
March 15, 2022.

Aged 88 years.

Loved and loving  
husband of Phyll.

Loved and  
loving father of  
Paul, Michelle,  
Roger and Greg.

Loving grandfather  
and great-grandfather.

Great memories  
of a gentle and  
caring man.

At peace in  
God's care.

## DEATHS

**MIATKE, Dorrain**  
Pauline.

Passed away  
peacefully on Friday,  
March 11, 2022.

Aged 83 years.

Loving wife of  
Lloyd (deceased).

Dearly loved  
mother of Paul,  
Ian and Ayshen,  
Kym and Janelle.

Cherished nan of  
Matthew, Aaron,  
Bradley, and Alex.

Reunited with Lloyd.

Dearly loved and  
sadly missed.

Dorrain's funeral  
was held yesterday,  
Tuesday, March 22.

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**PAWLYK, Josefa.**

Passed away  
March 13, 2022.

Aged 95 years.

Survived by daughters  
Sonja and Rosemarie,  
son Greg,  
grandchildren and  
great-grandchildren.

Her burial was  
conducted in the  
Waikerie cemetery  
on Monday,  
March 21, 2022.

In memory of Jose,  
donations can be  
made to Cancer  
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c/o Reply Paid 929,  
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## DEATHS

**PETERSON, Ronald**  
Roy.

Passed away with  
family present at  
Hawdon House,  
Barmera on Friday,  
March 11, 2022.

Aged 94 years.

Loved husband of  
Win (deceased).

Loving father  
of Barry,  
Lou and Garry,  
Judy and Rupert,  
Michael and Ruth,  
Susan, and Daryl  
(deceased).

Proud poppa of  
10 grandchildren  
and 14 great-  
grandchildren.

Reunited with Win.

**WILLISS, Josh.**

To watch you grow  
from a baby to the  
wonderful man you  
became was  
a privilege.

That kind heart  
you always had  
is now at rest  
and I will hold  
your memory in  
mine forever.

Auntie Bethany.

**WILLISS, Josh.**

Andrew, Liz and Riley.

Our thoughts and our  
love are with you.

Lyn and Mark.

## FUNERALS

**EBERT, Neil John.**

Family and friends of  
the late Mr. Neil Ebert  
are respectfully invited  
to his funeral service  
which will commence  
at 2pm on Saturday,  
March 26, 2022 in  
the Waikerie Lutheran  
Church, 11 Cates  
Avenue, Waikerie.

This service will  
conclude with a  
burial in the Waikerie  
Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers,  
donations to pancreatic  
cancer research  
(Pancare Foundation;  
Reply Paid 92017,  
Heidelberg VIC 3084),  
would be appreciated.

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will be available at the  
service.

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## FUNERALS

**KENT.**

The relatives and  
friends of the late  
Mr George Kent are  
respectfully invited  
to attend his funeral  
service to be conducted  
entirely at the Riverland  
Funeral Chapel, 32  
Hughes Street, Berri  
on Friday, March 25,  
2022 at 2pm, followed  
by a private cremation  
at the Riverland  
Crematorium.

In lieu of flowers if  
desired, a donation  
to RFDS in George's  
memory would be  
appreciated. Donations  
may be made at the  
service.

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**PETERSON.**

Family and friends  
of Ron Peterson are  
respectfully invited to  
attend his interment  
service to be conducted  
entirely at the Barmera  
General Cemetery on  
Friday, April 8, 2022  
at 2pm.

Ron and Win's ashes  
will be interred in the  
grave of their son, Daryl.

In lieu of flowers if  
desired, a donation  
to the Royal Flying  
Doctor Service in Ron's  
memory would be  
appreciated. Donations  
may be made at the  
service.

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## IN MEMORIAM

**HASHEMI, Myra.**

Myra Hashemi was  
tragically taken to  
an everlasting life  
as a result of a  
car accident on  
March 26, 2019.

Loved and loving wife  
of Sayeed Hashemi.

Cherished and  
caring mother of  
Arian and Sayde.

Missed deeply  
by many relatives  
and friends.

Myra, your love lives  
on in our hearts.

## 100th BIRTHDAY MEMORIAL

**STANFORD, Dorothy**  
Emily May 'Dorrie'  
(nee Warner).

Born in Beverley,  
March 27, 1922.

Daughter of the  
late Hurtle and  
Sara Warner.

Loving wife of the  
late Eddie Stanford.

Mother of Annette  
and the late Brian.

Mother-in-law of Rudi.

Loved nanna of  
Tiffany and Erika.

United with your dear  
Eddie for eternity.

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE



**HURST, Sidney** Leslie.

A celebration of  
Sidney's life will be  
held at Bert Dix Park,  
Paringa on Saturday,  
March 26, at 12 noon.

All welcome.

Thank you from  
Douglas and Marilyn.

## RETURN THANKS

**HAYWOOD, Jeffery**  
'Jo'.

Many thanks to our  
many friends for their  
condolences, offers  
of help and continuing  
support after the  
very sad loss of Jo in  
January. Your kindness  
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**RENMARK** Lions Club Fundraising Bazaar, undercover in the W.E Wood Pavilion, No. 2 oval, Renmark. Saturday, March 26, 8am - 12 noon. Lots of the usual bargains. Furniture, white goods, bric-a-brac and lots more. Something for everyone. Covid-19 Government restrictions still apply. BBQ and donuts will be available. This month the Lions catering team will be supporting Childhood Cancer at the Biggest BBQ. Be early and grab a bargain. Eftpos available. Further information contact Colin 0419801996.

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Barmera 11am  
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### LOXTON

#### Fourth Sunday In Lent

**Sunday, March 27**  
St Peter's 8.30am  
10.30am

Concordia 10am  
Lay reading  
Baptism  
Kohrt

Myrla 9am  
New Residence  
Lay reading

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Lay reading

Rest Home Wed, Apr 6  
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Pastor Darrin Kohrt  
(Concordia and outlying)  
Pastor Jason Sander  
(St Peter's)

### RENMARK | PARINGA

**Sunday, March 27**  
Renmark 9am HC  
Paringa 10.30am  
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Pastor Roland Adams  
Phone 0460 300 492

### WAIKERIE

**Sunday, March 27**  
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**Our Lady of the River Catholic Parish**

### WEEKS 1, 3 & 5

**Saturday**  
Renmark 6.30pm  
Morgan 6.00pm  
**Sunday**  
Berri 9.00am  
Loxton 11.00am  
Waikerie 11.00am  
Barmera 6.00pm

### WEEKS 2 & 4

**Saturday**  
Berri 6.30pm  
Waikerie 6.00pm  
**Sunday**  
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Morgan 9.00am  
Barmera 11.00am  
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### LOXTON

**Sunday, March 27**  
10am  
Ian Forsyth

**Contact**  
Rev Linda Forsyth  
0401 815 488

### RENMARK

10am  
Renmark Ave  
8.30am  
Renmark West

**Ron Harris**  
Phone 0401 815 488



### Saturday, March 26

**5pm - Berri St Alban's**

### Sunday, March 27

**9am - Barmera St Edmund's**  
**9am - Loxton The Resurrection**  
**9am - Renmark St Augustine's**  
**11am - Waikerie St James**

**Contact:**  
Fr. David Patterson  
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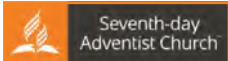


**Sunday, March 27**  
10am

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The District Council of Loxton Waikerie and the  
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the Flies 5.2018-Gold Coast 6.Singapore  
Sling 7.Statue of David 8.Giant kelp  
9.Crocus 10.Toronto, Canada 11.Betty  
Cuthbert 12.Anthony Bourdain 13.Cheviot  
Beach 14.Dead Poets Society 15.Torvill &  
Dean 16.John Milton 17.James Stewart  
18.Mulberry leaves 19.Forest Gump  
20.South Australia

**BONUS QUESTION ANSWER (from last  
week): Henry III was nine years old when he  
became King of England in 1216.**



A new playground, enhanced river-bank  
area and new connecting paths will be  
constructed at Len White Reserve.

# Swan Reach river front revitalisation

THE construction of a new playground,  
enhanced river-bank area and new  
connecting paths are all part of plans by  
Mid Murray Council to improve Swan  
Reach's Len White Reserve.

A tender for the project is set to go out  
soon.

The improvements to the reserve are  
part of the council's Swan Reach River  
Front and Len White Reserve Masterplan,  
which was developed following extensive  
community consultation.

Designs for the river-bank reclamation  
and jetty removal have received develop-  
ment approval and are included in the ten-  
der, along with both stage one and two of  
the new playground and access paths to  
Nildottie Road.

The project will be part-funded by a  
grant of \$224,970 from the federal govern-  
ment's Building Better Regions Fund's  
infrastructure projects stream and \$44,310  
from the state government's Open Space  
and Places for People Grants program.

The new pathways are being provid-  
ed as links to the Murray Coorong Trail  
under the Murray Darling Basin Economic  
Development Fund.

The replacement of the existing public  
toilets at Len White Reserve has been allo-  
cated an extra \$110,000 through phase two  
of the Federal Government's Local Roads  
and Community Infrastructure program.

The replacement toilet works have  
already been tendered, and onsite works  
are expected to begin mid-year, with  
the project to be complete by the end of  
August.

The new facilities include three cubicles,  
with one to be a disability access compli-  
ant cubicle.

Mid Murray Mayor Dave Burgess said  
it was exciting to see the project progress.

"Council staff have been working with  
the Swan Reach community throughout  
this project to ensure they remain updated  
and have input as the plans progress," Mr  
Burgess said.

"Now that we've reached this stage after  
a few years of talking and planning, it's  
exciting for the community to have these  
projects to look forward to this year," he  
said.

A concept outlined in the Swan Reach  
Riverfront and Len White Reserve  
Masterplan for a new pedestrian bridge  
near the River Reserve Road traffic bridge  
has been shelved due to its significantly  
above estimated cost.

Mid Murray Council will instead inves-  
tigate what other minor investments can  
be made to create a safe shared space for  
pedestrians and vehicles in the area.

The council said funding set aside in the  
plan for the pedestrian bridge would be  
invested into other aspects of the master-  
plan such as completing the playground in  
full (rather than in stages) and a proposal  
to replace barbecue shelters in the reserve.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER



# Lack of player numbers threatens season for Riverland hockey powerhouse... Getting the short end of the stick

DEIRDRE GRAHAM

THE high-flying Renmark Hockey Club could be unable to field an A grade women's team this season, due to a shortage of players.

The club has won the past three A grade women's premierships, but has been forced into a "rebuilding" phase, said club president – and nominal women's A grade coach – Nick Hocking.

"We are down in numbers due to a lot of juniors moving away for school, going into year 12 and university, as well as (several) being injured," Mr Hocking said.

"We are meant to know (about numbers) within the next week or so, so hopefully that

happens but at the moment it is not looking too hopeful.

"The only training (the club) has done has been as an A men's squad so far.

"As far as the women go, we haven't moved past whether we will be nominating a team or not.

"Last year we had a grand final win, and that was the third year in a row for a premiership. (But) if we go ahead this year, we would be looking at a rebuilding stage."

In better news for the club, Renmark will field a men's A grade side this year, after failing to do so in 2021. Mr Hocking said the turnaround was thanks to some new recruits from Mildura and Adelaide.

"Obviously we have to work around with what we have got, and go from there," he said.

The 2022 Riverland Hockey Association season is due to commence on Friday, April 29.



Low player numbers could mean Renmark Hockey Club is unable to field an A grade women's side in the 2022 season. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



**CROWS**  
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WELL, round 1 of season 2022 is over. Adelaide Crows played well in second half, but Freo was just too good in the end. It is going to be an interesting year with our young recruits, they have talent. How are your tipping results after round 1? I hope I have better results in round 2.

Thanks to all the Crows supporters who attended the recent dinner in Waikerie with Adelaide Football Club chairman John Olsen, CEO Tim Silvers, and engagement executive Sam Jacobs. Congratulations to Rosie and Paul Pfennig who were acknowledged for their many years of support since the group began. To Joy Hennig, Warren Schwarz and Grant Taylor, we congratulate and give thanks for your commitment to the group over many years. Members and supporters are welcome to the Waikerie Hotel this Saturday to watch the game against Collingwood on the big screen from 1.15pm. The day will feature lucky door prizes, afternoon tea during half time, and if you want to join the group membership forms will be available. Membership is \$25 per year. There will be another big screen day at the Renmark Hotel on Sunday, April 10, at 12.40pm.

We have a day trip planned for April 30 to Adelaide Oval when the Crows play GWS. Bookings with Lyn Appleton 0428 463 004. We have planned a getaway weekend trip on May 14 to see the game against Brisbane Lions. It's an overnight stay, returning May 15. Bookings with Lyn Appleton (phone 0428 463 004).

We have a bingo night planned for Tuesday, May 10 at the Barmera RSL, so write that date in the diary now. The committee looks forward to seeing you at our social get togethers.

Go the mighty Adelaide Crows. #weflyasone

## Men's eightball back in business

RIVERLAND men's eightball returned last Wednesday when the Rex Weaver Singles event was held at the Lyrup Club.

The traditional opener signals the start of the season each year and in 2022 a total of 55 players entered the competition, with Glen Carter the last man standing.

The knockout event saw players square off in a best-of-three games series, with the final round a best of five series.

Carter, who plays for Barmera Balls Deep in the regular season, took on Shawn Salmon of Lyrup Muppets in the final round and defeated him 3-0.

This season the Association is trying something new, with the first and second divisions set to merge for the first 11 rounds before splitting into two competitions for the final 10 rounds.

Another new initiative will see all first and second division teams com-



Shawn Salmon (left) and Glen Carter featured in the Riverland men's eightball Rex Weaver Singles final last Wednesday, with the latter coming out on top in a three-game clean sweep. PHOTO: supplied



**GIRLS BACK IN ACTION:** This week saw the RFL under 15 girls competition head to Renmark, with Waikerie taking on Berri and hosts Renmark playing Barmera-Monash. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff







Sheree Loffler (middle) with her two daughters, Latia (left) and Aaliyah after a successful sports day campaign that saw records tumble at Waikerie High School. PHOTOS: supplied



Sheree Loffler was unable to hide her pride, even smiling while feigning anger after Aaliyah broke her mum's 25-year-old 400m record last week.

# The Riverland's fastest family?

RIVERLAND athletic records tumbled last week as two sisters hit the track hard, with one even surpassing her mother's own record in a true family affair.

Waikerie High School students Latia and Aaliyah Loffler are fast becoming prevalent sporting names in the region.

Both are state representatives in hockey in their respective age

groups, captains of their school house, Cadell, and now they have running records to add to their resume.

Latia competed in the 1500m race on March 11 as part of Waikerie High's sports day and obliterated the 32-year-old record by almost seven seconds, crossing the finishing line after 5:19.77.

Just 14 years old, Latia is

part of the Riverland Athletics Development Squad and represents Northern Districts in senior athletics down in Adelaide each weekend.

It wasn't long between drinks for the Loffler kids as Latia's sister Aaliyah followed suit, breaking another running record last Wednesday.

Competing in the 800m under

20s division at just 17, Aaliyah managed to break Anne Fulwood's 48-year-old record, recording a time of 2:36.52.

She wasn't done there though, and later that day broke another record, this one belonging to her mum, Sheree Loffler.

Sheree broke the 400m record in 1997 and held it until last week, when Aaliyah ran a time of

1:05.80, edging out her mum by just under a second.

Despite losing her own record, Sheree was incredibly proud of her daughters who continue to hit new heights.

"They train hard five nights per week," she said. "It just goes to show that hard work really does pay off."



WESTIES IN TOWN: The West Adelaide Football Club academy took to Loxton North Football Club last week for its first country session of the pre-season. PHOTO: Facebook

## Monash Wanderers clinch darts premiership

MONASH Wanderers edged out RC Ones in a nailbiter to take home the Riverland darts championship at the Monash Club last Thursday.

RC Ones went into the match following a week off, having finished on top of the table at the conclusion of the regular season, while Wanderers had to win their way into the grand final against Double Jacks.

The two sides were neck and neck down the stretch of the grand final, with neither side able to grab the lead after the doubles round.

Wanderers jumped ahead in the singles but RC Ones clawed its way back into the contest, bringing the match back on level terms heading into the teams game.

RC Ones couldn't com-



Monash Wanderers took out the Riverland darts title last week. Making up the team were Dave Martin (left), Darcy Crane, Wayne Bonham, Calib Martin, (Absent: Michelle Hayes, Darrel Hayes). PHOTO: supplied

plete the comeback as Wanderers showed their class, running out 6-5 winners after victory in the teams game.

Darcy Crane was at his brilliant best, throwing two maximum 180s, while his Wanderers teammate Dave Martin picked up the highest

peg of the night (70).

**RESULTS**  
Monash Wanderers 6 (D. Crane 180 x 2, 140 x 2, 123, 100 x 8, W. Bonham 10, 132, 125, 123, 100 x 2, D. Martin 127, 116, 100 x 3, C. Martin 117, 100 x 6) d RC Ones 5 (N. Flack 140, 125, 121, 100 x 3, W. Schwartzkopff 140, 125, L. Rasheed 125, 100, T. Stoneham 100).

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# Back-to-back Ward wins

ROB Ward has done it again, taking out top spot in another week of rifling in Renmark. The Renmark Rifle Club held a 90-metre shoot last Wednesday and Ward took out the off-rifle and handicap events ahead of Arthur Markeas in second.

RESULTS: 90-metre shoot: R. Ward 100.1, 99.1 (8), 200, A. Markeas 100.1, 96.1 (12) 200, M. Cresp 100, 99 (1) 200, N. Lloyd 99.0, 97.1 (1) 197, B. Lacey 99.0, 97.2 (0) 196.



MOTOCROSS: The Morgan Motorcycle Club held the opening day (round 1) of its 2022 season on the weekend, with plenty of motocross enthusiasts in action. The club races next on Easter Monday. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

## RIVERLAND GOLF RESULTS

**BERRI**  
Wednesday, March 16  
Stableford: S. Wade 38, A. Giles 38, S. May 37, P. Mudge 37, E. Dawson 36, G. Mack 34, T. McHugh 33, R. Nagy 32.  
Saturday, March 19  
Four-person ambrose: Team Blackley 54.125, Team Sandford 56.5, Team Wood 56.75.  
Sunday, March 20  
Stableford: G. Tognon 36, L. Berry 35, AM Crease 35, E. Dawson 35. L. Seddon 32.

**LOXTON**  
Wednesday, March 16  
Women  
Stroke: L. Rowe (22) 73/95 (e), J. Sawade (21) 73/94 (e), M. Tyler (10) 75/85 (+2), J. Patching (23) 76/99 (+3). NTP – 2nd J. Sawade.  
Saturday, March 19  
Men  
Pinehurst: A. Lodge/A. Pfeiler (6) 70/76 (-2), S. Patching/M. Patching (9.38) 70.62/80 (-1), M. Maczkowiack/B. Proud (4.88) 71.12/76 (-1), L. Kruger/

M. Thiele (7.88) 72.12 (e), B. Paige/B. Palat (9) 73/82 (+1), G. MacInnes/B. Skinner (12.38) 73.62/86 (+2), J. Walker/B. Albrecht (13.13) 74/87/88 (+3), M. Taylor/S. Palat (6) 78/84, J. Sandland/B. Whiteclaw (11.25) 79.75/91 (+8), A. Baker/C. Golding (16.13) 85.87/102 (+14), T. Flight/B. Oxlade (12) 86/98 (+14).  
Mixed  
Pinehurst: S. Pannell/S. Harris (10.5) 70.5/81, M. Tyler/R. Koch (9) 73/82 (e), S. Grein/O.Walkley (11.63) 76.37/88 (+4), J. Goldsworthy/J. Ling (16.88) 77.12/94 (+5), P. Rohrlach/S. Pendle (13.5) 77.5/91 (+5), J. Bullock/D.Tyler (13.13) 78.87/92 (+6), J. Reynolds/Y. Reynolds (15.38) 79.62/95 (+7), J. Patching/H. Kara-Ali (14.25) 79.75/94 (+7), P. Fournaros-Carney/D. Peberdy (16.13) 81.87/98 (+9), T. Arndt/C. Arndt (13.5) 84.5/98 (+12).  
NTP: Men – 2nd T. Arndt 339cm, 5th B. Palat 13cm, 12th B. Proud 433cm, 15th L. Kruger 113cm. Women – 2nd S. Pannell 1029cm, 15th C. Arndt 239cm.



# 2022 AFL FOOTY TIPPERS DRAW

## Round 2

Points margin in highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday, March 24 at 4pm

Western Bulldogs		Carlton	
Sydney Swans		Geelong Cats	
Collingwood		Adelaide Crows	
Essendon		Brisbane Lions	
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North Melbourne		West Coast Eagles	
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# ROUND 1 RESULTS

Jean Marks .....(8)8	Ron Harvey .....(7)7
Thiel Boys.....(8)8	Chloe Brown .....(7)7
Noah Warner .....(8)8	Robert Randall .....(7)7
Elise Schaefer .....(8)8	Jasmine Harris .....(6)6
Sam Koskinas .....(7)7	Ivan Marschall .....(6)6
Jim Baldock .....(7)7	Chris Schutz .....(6)6
Baker Boys .....(7)7	Paul Reid .....(6)6
Butch Liebich .....(7)7	Frank Drougas .....(6)6
Ron McLean .....(7)7	Duani Vowles .....(6)6
Cohen Battams .....(7)7	Tony Milgate .....(6)6

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TOP TWO TIPSTERS

Jean Marks and Thiel Boys

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Karen Brown

## WEEKLY WINNERS

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**Barmera's division one men's basketball championship winning team.** Back: Matt Sullivan (coach, left), Liam Phillips, Danny Millard, Aaron Smith, Campbell Marks, Riley Haigh. Front: Dillon Millard (left), Kenny Wright, Jack Sullivan, Kye Stokes, Sam Alder. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

# Lakers crowned kings of the Riverland

**BEN LENNON**

BARMERA defeated Loxton to take home the Riverland men's division one basketball crown last Friday night in Berri.

The Lakers were defensively sound, keeping renowned shooter and Riverland men's MVP Jesse Will to just three points for the night.

First-year coach Matt Sullivan was "very impressed" with his team and said that the defensive effort is something they had been working on as a group for a long time.

"At the start of the season we were very focused on our defence and our main goal was to be the number one defensive team in the competition," Sullivan said.

"(Liam) Phillips coming into our side from Loxton has added so much defence to our team and I'm pretty certain we got that status as the best defensive team and proved it several times.

"Before the semi-final Loxton gave us an absolute bath and beat us by quite a lot because defensively we weren't there and they took advantage of that, so it's definitely the key."

Barmera's road to the championship was fairly straightforward as it had to face just one opponent, defeating Loxton in both the semi-final and the grand final.

Sullivan believes that playing the same opposition twice and securing that extra few days' rest was a massive part of the Lakers' success on Friday night.

"Going into the game we knew Loxton was a bit tired after playing Renmark on Wednesday night, so we knew the boys would just have to try and run them off their legs basically," he said.

"We got 28 points up on them in the semi and then they came alive in the last quarter. They threw everything at us so we sort of knew what they had.

"It was good to go straight through because we knew either Waikerie or Renmark were going to be really tough, which they were against Loxton.

"We've got players that have been around for a while so that week's rest was really good and it meant we didn't have any disruptions with availability."

Barmera's star was veteran

Dillon Millard, with last Friday's win bringing his Riverland championship tally into double digits.

Sullivan said that Millard brings plenty to the team and had been "a fantastic help" for him in his first year of coaching.

"Dillon was quite emotional after the game because that's his 10th grand final win (and) I knew how important it was to him," Sullivan said.

"On and off the court he impacts and drives everything and he was our X-factor in the end.

"Having me doing the subs and calling time-outs at certain times, it's something that Dillon hasn't had in the past and he wanted someone there to be able to do that.

"I've learnt a lot in my first year and I think it was a pretty good

time for me to jump in and do it."

Sullivan's son Jack was another standout, with the youngster equaling Dillon's tally of 16 points in the grand final.

"It was very special for me because he's chosen the basketball path," Matt Sullivan said.

"He's moved to Mount Barker now for school and he's training with NBL1 as well and his intentions are to move across for college. So, to get that year with him was so special for me."

In the men's second division, Allstars completed an undefeated season by taking down Berri in the grand final by just three points.

Loxton took out the boys under 18s crown while Renmark pulled together an impressive win over Berri in the girls under 18s.

# Warriors victorious in final battle with berri

**BEN LENNON**

TEAM defence and a terrific effort from Sienna Lehmann guided Waikerie to a second consecutive Riverland women's basketball division one title in last Friday's grand final.

The Warriors took on Berri in the final game of the season after defeating Barmera two days earlier and managed to hold the Blazers to just 43 points.

Riverland MVP Claire Schupelius topped the scoring charts for Berri but the Blazers found it hard to score, with Schupelius the only player able to hit double-digit points.

Head Waikerie coach Daniel Leuders was thrilled with his team's performance and heralded their ability to work together as one of the driving factors behind the win.

"We didn't just rely on our best two or three players, as good as they are," he said.

"It was our depth that was the key because it's hard to stop everyone.

"We focused on not giving them second chance opportunities and we knew Ellee (Eleftheriadis) likes to drive hard to the paint, so we tried not to give her any cheap fouls.

"They had a lot of fastbreaks where we were there but we wouldn't over-contest it and give them any free points.

"The girls' defence to hold them to 43 was

the real dagger for us."

Waikerie spent the majority of the season on top of the table before injuries and unavailability to some key players saw it lose its top-two position on the eve of the finals.

It meant that the Warriors had to play extra games, including an overtime win against Loxton, in order to get to the final hurdle. However, Leuders believes it stood them in good stead.

"We had a few hurdles to get over but I think it made the other girls more accountable," he said.

"The game that went to overtime taught us that we can't take our foot off the pedal. We were up by around 15 or 16 at half time and we almost gave it all back within five minutes.

"We realised we've got to play full games and not let up because the competition is so even.

"At half time on Friday night we were up by 20 but we made sure that we started fresh as if it were 0-0 in the second half."

Sienna Lehmann had 24 points in the grand final but it was her mum, Hannah Lehmann, who took home the award for best-on-court.

The duo have been dynamic all season and Leuders was keen to heap praise on the mother-daughter one-two punch. He hinted at the potential of one more year out of one



**The mother-daughter duo of Sienna (left) and Hannah Lehmann was vital in Waikerie's division one women's basketball win.** PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

of the Riverland's best.

"She can get a bit frustrated with her mum but her maturity as far as not trying to do everything herself is the standout," he said of Sienna.

"She's going to go far and hopefully she goes on to bigger and better things but just her maturity and ability to read plays instead of trying to do it all herself is so impressive.

"Hannah's the biggest driver of this whole thing. Because of work I rarely get to training on time and she really steps in there.

"She pushed all of the fitness stuff in the

pre-season and got all the girls out there early and up to scratch.

"It'll be interesting to see if she goes around again but she's a very competitive person so I'd be surprised if she doesn't come back."

Cat Stars edged out Barmera in a thriller in the women's second division, with the result coming down to the final seconds as Cat Stars ran out winners by a single point.

Renmark managed to claim the under 18s premiership after keeping Berri to just 23 points for the match.





Division 2 men: Allstars – Back: Mark Lueth (left), Matt Hutchinson, Craig Todd, Thomas Smart. Front: Andrew Tullett (left), Nick Uren, Kai Miller, Joel Worsfold, Grant Fisher. PHOTOS: Bella Gates and Meg Oleary Fletcher



Division 2 women: Catstars – Back: Melody Pfeiler (left), Amy Lange, Cara Venning, Lydia Schwarz-Johns. Front: Hollie Bullock (left), Helen Drake, Kirrilee Norman, Jill Lange, Lyn Sweeney.



Barmera triumphed over Loxton in the division one men's grand final. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

# Riverland basketball finals results

**MEN**  
**DIVISION ONE**  
**PRELIMINARY FINAL**  

Loxton	16	32	47	65
Renmark	21	33	44	53

Points: Loxton – B. Whitelaw 25, T. Wagner, C. Lange 13, J. Will 10, B. Tregaele 3, J. Hutchinson 1. Renmark – D. Johnson 16, B. Rover, R. Curtis 10, C. Gartery 8, A. Haynes 4, J. Brine 3, Z. Gartery 2.

**GRAND FINAL**  

Barmera	13	30	47	59
Loxton	12	22	34	46

Points: Barmera – Dillon Millard, J. Sullivan 16, A. Smith, R. Haigh 9, L. Phillips 4, Danny Millard 3, K. Wright 2. Loxton – R. Kennedy 10, J. Oates 8, C. Lange 6, B. Whitelaw, T. Wagner 5, B. Tregaele, L. Francis 4, J. Will 3, L. Stephens 1. **Best:** Jack Sullivan (Barmera).

**Division two:** Allstars 34 d Berri 31. **Best:** Craig Todd (Allstars).

**Division three:** Blazers 38 d Steamers 31. **Best:** Chris Bland (Blazers).

**Division four:** Loxton 40 d Supercats 30. **Best:** Tallyn Eagle (Loxton).

**WOMEN**  
**DIVISION ONE**  
**PRELIMINARY FINAL**  

Waikerie	16	28	46	59
Barmera	9	15	38	49

Points: Waikerie – S. Lehmann 15, H. Lehmann, Y. Liu 12, A. Curtis 8, C. Turner 7, K. Barnett 5. Barmera – T. Dillon 19, A. Wutke 14, C. Wutke 8, K. Stavrou 5, L. Hill 3.

**GRAND FINAL**  

Waikerie	26	43	57	74
Berri	15	22	34	43

Points: Waikerie – S. Lehmann 24, K. Barnett 15, H. Lehmann, T. Fridt 9, Y. Liu 8, C. Turner 5, A. Curtis 4. Berri – C. Schupelius 10, L. Gregoric 9, E. Eleftheriadis 6, B. Gates 5, E. Westley, A. Westley 4, C. Foulds 3, C. Gates 2. **Best:** Hannah Lehmann (Waikerie).

**Division two:** Catstars 26 d Barmera 25. **Best:** Kayla Tsorotiotis (Barmera).

**Division three:** Berri 35 d Steamers 18. **Best:** Lauren Westley (Berri).

**Division four:** Loxton 24 d Berri 18. **Best:** Kate Westbrook (Loxton).

**BOYS**  
**U18 (div 1):** Loxton 59 d Renmark 39. **Best:** Jonty Koehne (Loxton).  
**U18 (div 2):** Berri 36 d Loxton 31. **Best:** Macey Eleftheriadis (Berri).  
**U16 (div 1):** Loxton 66 d Renmark 40. **Best:** Jasper Hutchinson (Loxton).  
**U16 (div 2):** Loxton 30 d Supercats 28. **Best:** Jimmy Badran (Supercats).  
**U14 (div 1):** Renmark 42 d Barmera 31. **Best:** Samuel Depalma (Renmark).  
**U14 (div 2):** Lakers 27 d Renmark 10. **Best:** Logan Bowers (Lakers).  
**U12 (div 1):** Loxton 35 d Berri 23. **Best:** Samuel Hucks (Loxton).  
**U12 (div 2):** Loxton 34 d Waikerie 11. **Best:** Jessie Tullett (Loxton).

**GIRLS**  
**U18:** Renmark 35 d Berri 23. **Best:** Breea Martinson (Renmark).  
**U16:** Barmera 48 d Loxton 30. **Best:** Jessie Priest (Barmera).  
**U14 (div 1):** Loxton 41 d Barmera 19. **Best:** Kiara Harman (Loxton).  
**U14 (div 2):** Supercats 29 d Loxton 26. **Best:** Piper Montgomery (Supercats).  
**U12 (div 1):** Berri 45 d Loxton 29. **Best:** Mackenzie Pitt (Berri).  
**U12 (div 2):** Waikerie 20 d Loxton 19. **Best:** Isobel Miller (Loxton).



Division 3 men: Berri – Back: Michael Vought (left), Craig Seekamp, Christopher Bland, Rob Wright. Front: Dave Binney (left), Aaron Smith, Peter Safralidis, David Centofanti.



Division 3 women Berri – Back: Zali Pankhurst (left), Giorgia Whitehead, Lauren Wesley, Molly Nelsson, Taniel Willmott. Front: Elise Franson (left), Tia Efthimiou, Cassidy Rossack, April Sim, Parker Sim.



Division 4 men: Loxton – Jack Jeffrey (left), Tallyn Eagle, Kobi Thompson, Boyd Hampel, Cody Schutz, Lane Smith.



Division 4 women: Loxton – Back: Joanne Hondow (left), Trish Wright, Raelene Schutz, Andrea Athanasopoulos. Front: Tammie Ebert (left), Michelle Pannell, Kate Westbrook.



Under 18 boys division 1: Loxton – Back: Jasper Evans (left), Lachie Stevens, Tyler Curran, Noah Paull, Che Lange (coach). Front: Jack Oates (left), Rogan Kennedy, Jonty Koehne, Kai Miller.



Under 18 girls division 1: Renmark - Back: Derek Martinson (coach, left), Jade Crook, Alice Esam, Kiera Schumann, Breea Martinson. Front row - Georgia Kennedy (left), Paige Roberts, Heidi James. Absent - Mijanou Newman, Maiya Rice.





Under 16 girls: Barmera - Back: Neil Bourton (coach), Ebony Johnson, Jemma Kassulke, Hallie Hodgson, Macy Bourton, Riley Haigh (coach). Front: Jess Priest, Layla Moore, Meg Kassulke. Absent: Chelsea Wutke.



Under 16 boys: Loxton - Back row: Jasper Hutchinson (left), William Nitschke, Koen Serafin, Connor Lange (coach). Front row: Mackenzie Hall (left), Hunter Westbrook, Josh Wooldridge. Absent: Will Schultz.



Under 14 girls: Loxton - Back row: Coach Matt Hutchinson (left), Kaitlyn Ferris, Layla Hutchinson, Eira Dalzell, Sophie Tullett. Front row: Kiara Harman (left), Arabella Pannell, Lisa Marie Perre. (Absent: Abbey Hughes).



Under 14 boys: Renmark - Back row: Noah Meimetis (left), Noah Martinson, Matt Martinson (coach) Hugh Riedel, Jack O'Bryan, Rebecca Keynes (team manager). Front row - Cody Phillips (left), Harrison Keynes, Archie Preusker, Samuel DePalma.

Under 12 girls: Berri - Back row: Kenzie Sweet (left), Elysia Cresp, Mackenzie Pitt, Evelyn Isaacs, Lily Marsden. Font row: Tia Safralidis (left), Madison Ryder, Ellie Seekamp, Ally Sweet.



Under 12 boys: Loxton - Back row: Coach Jill Lange (left), James Ferris, Brock Buhagiar, Samuel Hucks, Ollie Portolesi. Front row: Brock Kakoschke (left), Nate Harman, Ryder Harman.



Riverland Basketball Association women's division one MVP winner Claire Schupelius of Berri. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



Riverland Basketball Association men's division one MVP winner: Jesse Will (Loxton). PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



# Bluetongues keep their double dream alive

RENMARK North booked its spot in not one but two Riverland cricket grand finals last Saturday, with victory in both the A and B grade competitions.

The A grade preliminary final took place in Berri and it was the Demons that looked to take the initiative, winning the toss and electing to bat first.

Bradley Grant opened the bowling for the Bluetongues and struck immediately, dismissing Nathan Scadden with the final ball of the first over.

Brad Rosenzweig joined Evan Penaluna at the crease for Berri but their partnership was short-lived, with Grant striking again and claiming the prized Rosenzweig wicket.

Penaluna battled hard as wickets fell around him, with Josh Fielke the only other Berri batter to pose any sort of meaningful total.

Renmark North was relentless. A run-out to Sam Bradbrook, dismissing Fielke and opening up the Berri batting order for Zac Gallo and Colin Packer to bowl at, proved crucial.

Wickets were shared fairly evenly but Colin Packer was the pick of the punch. His three wickets included an impressive caught and bowled as Berri was dismissed for 111 in the 36th over.

Despite the modest total, Berri remained confident, having beaten Renmark North on multiple occasions throughout the regular season.

The opening partnership that dominated the semi-final the week prior was broken for just 20 runs when Rosenzweig claimed the wicket of Liam Jackson.

Drew Mills came to the crease and took the game to Berri, blasting his way to 42 before giving Rosenzweig his second of the day.

Mills left the crease with the majority of the damage already done, but Tarque Williamson put the result beyond doubt, punishing the Berri bowlers and hitting four sixes in his 31 not out to ice the game for the Bluetongues.

Renmark North now travels to Loxton on Saturday for a chance at the A grade premiership and the senior side will be joined by their B grade clubmates who will take on Wunkar on the adjacent oval.

The Bluetongues started strongly in the B grade, heading into drinks having lost just two wickets against a potent Monash bowling attack.

Things turned sour after drinks for Renmark North when its middle order collapsed and the side managed to post just 81 runs in the first innings.

Monash looked set to go through to the grand final but Deakin Aston produced one of the performances of the season with the ball, picking up six wickets in a devastating spell.

The travelling side continued to lose wickets at a rapid rate and were eventually bowled out for just 32 runs shortly after the drinks break.

## RESULTS

### A grade

Renmark North 3/114 (D. Mills 42, T. Williamson 31no, B. Files 12, L. Jackson 10, B. Rosenzweig 2/16, C. Smith 1/11) d Berri 111 (E. Penaluna 45, J. Fielke 27, C. Packer 3/16, Z. Gallo 2/16, B. Grant 2/25, S. Bradbrook 1/17).

### B grade

Renmark North 81 (J. Wood 24, D. Hill 16, B. Henderson 15, B. Lennon 12, P. Elliot 4/23, B. Fridd 2/13, K. Gillespie 2/17, M. Smith 1/10, J. Roberts 1/13) d Monash 32 (D. Aston 6/16, D. Hill 1/1, J. Smedley 1/2, B. Lennon 1/7).



Youngster Deakin Aston (right) pictured with his dad, Kaine Aston, after producing a match-winning spell for Renmark North in last Saturday's Riverland B grade preliminary final against Wunkar. PHOTO: supplied



Renmark North opening bowler Bradley Grant (right) picked up the prized wicket of reigning cricketer of the year, Brad Rosenzweig, in last week's preliminary final.

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



The Bluetongues will now travel to Loxton on Saturday to take on the Tigers for the Riverland A grade premiership.

# ‘Family’ cricket club Gerard entering its 50th year

## BEN LENNON

LOCAL Aboriginal cricket club Gerard is heading into its 50<sup>th</sup> season in 2022 and, for those involved, it's all about family.

The side recently competed in the Riverland Turf Cricket Association season, as it has done for many years, and despite up and down numbers due to Covid-19, the club is still going from strength to strength.

Gerard entered the SA Aboriginal Cricket Carnival a fortnight ago and respected club and community member Sam Mitchell said such opportunities are vital for helping the game grow in regional indigenous communities.

“With the carnival, we’re playing to win and have fun but it’s different when we’re playing against our cousins and brother boys – you don’t want to get out for a duck because they’ll hang it on you,” he laughed.

“It’s really competitive and serious because you want the bragging rights but it’s also a good chance to meet up with family and people you haven’t seen for a while.

“The idea of the carnival is to try and find that next Jason Gillespie and to create those pathways, especially for the country kids who don’t have as many opportunities...”

After a successful carnival, the greatest victory from Mitchell’s point of view was the smile on the face of young Eugene Singh-Abdulla, who picked up his first cricket wicket down in Adelaide.



Members of the Gerard Cricket Club with former test cricketer Jason Gillespie at the SA Aboriginal Cricket Carnival in Adelaide. PHOTO: Facebook

“He’s 16 and he came out for his first year and he was pretty unsure about cricket,” Mitchell said.

“But he’s grown and developed over the year.

“When he first bowled he bowled a few wides and a couple off the pitch so when we gave him the ball in Adelaide he said, ‘Remember what happened last time?’, but then he got this wicket and you could not get

the grin off of his face.

“He batted well too in the last game so he’s keen for next year.”

The club is now approaching its half-century and Mitchell has big plans in store for 2022/23.

An enhanced focus on bringing Aboriginal youth into the sport is high on the agenda, as is recognising those that formed the club back in the 1970s.

“Growing and developing those young people is important and our club is about having a place for us to go that’s ours,” he said.

“We’re one of the state’s only predominantly Aboriginal clubs and when it was started in the ’70s, prior to that we weren’t considered human beings, so our uncles created that place for us to go.

“Sometimes we meet for funerals which is obviously a sad time but this is something positive. We try and be positive while we’re there and have fun. It’s about other young people seeing Eugene and thinking that they can do it too.

“We’re hoping to gather a whole lot of old photos and host a dinner to honour the original team and learn from their stories as well so the younger ones can learn about the older generation.”

The club wore playing tops designed by one of their own, Josh Abdulla, with 16 black U-shapes on the front representing the 16 original members of the Gerard Cricket Club.

With 2022/23 a massive season, Mitchell put the call out to anyone that may like to lend a hand.

“If any young people want to play next year and if any local businesses or anyone that wants to lend a hand in our 50th year, send a message through to our Facebook page,” he said.



Senior grade best and fairest Cara Venning (left) and runner-up Kathryn Johnson. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



C grade best and fairest winner Leanne Johnson (right) with runner-up Sophie Sampson.



# Cobby sets up shot at softball double

COBDOGLA flexed its softball muscle in last weekend's Riverland preliminary finals, with both the seniors and C grade winning their way into this weekend's grand finals.

The senior division saw Cobby take on Berri and with neither side at full-strength, it made for a tight affair.

It was a shootout early with both sides going run for run in the opening few innings, but Cobdogla was able to break away and by the fourth inning, had established a comfortable and ultimately crucial lead.

Berri blitzed its opponents in the fifth inning though and managed to regain its grip on the match, with Amanda Sampson nailing a grand

slam four-bagger to centerfield.

Cara Venning also stepped up and capitalised on Cobdogla's fielding errors, picking up a four-bagger of her own.

Eventually, Cobdogla's experience shone through as it did enough to hold on and run out winners by three runs.

The game was a marathon, lasting seven innings and taking almost two and a half hours to reach its conclusion.

The Cobdogla Blue C grade side also managed a win in its preliminary final against Loxton Green.

Blue paced itself early, warming into the game but managed to pile on the pressure midway through the match, with a grand slam from Jan Cook and a triple two RBI bat

from Monica Haaja.

The strong Cobdogla Blue side ran out winners by 12 runs and set up a clash with Berri in this week's grand final.

Cobdogla's win against Berri in the senior division has given the club a chance at a rare double, with the senior team taking on Loxton this Saturday in the last match of the year.

Meanwhile, the Riverland Softball Association held its annual presentation night last week, with a few new awards on the list.

Leanne Johnson (Loxton Blue) made it back-to-back years of winning the C grade best and fairest, while Cara Venning of Berri took out the ultimate prize, winning the seniors best and fairest.

Kathy Johnson finished runner-up and was named as the pitcher in the team of the year, alongside clubmates Noah Paull, Evan McAllister and Cora Johnson.

**RESULTS**  
**C GRADE**  
**Cobdogla Blue 16 d Loxton Green 4.**  
Best: Cobdogla Blue – D. Fitzpatrick, K. Hayes, G. Dyer. Loxton Green – E. Hogg, J. Hansen, B. Paull.

**SENIORS**  
**Cobdogla 16 d Berri 13**  
Best: Cobdogla – J. Gregory, C. Thompson, J. Pech. Berri – C. Venning, A. Sampson, S. Sampson.

**AWARDS**  
**C grade B&F** - Leanne Johnson (Loxton Blue). **Runner-up** - Sophie Sampson (Berri).

**Seniors B&F** - Cara Venning (Berri). **Runner-up** - Kathy Johnson (Loxton). **Umpire of the year** - Denise Moldovan. **Best First year umpire** - Broden Townley. **Rising star, female** - Ebonee Pech (Cobby Blue). **Male** - Zy Heindrich (Berri Red). **Rookie of the year** - Wyatt Nuske (Berri). **Fastest Base runner, female** - Sophie Sampson (Berri). **Male** - Evan McAllister (Loxton). **Fastest team** - Berri.

**TEAM OF THE YEAR**  
**Pitcher** - Kathy Johnson (Lox) **Catcher** - Noah Paull (Lox) **1st Base** - Colleen Smith (Cob) **2nd Base** - Joanne Gregory (Cob) **3rd Base** - Jane Howe (Ber) **Short stop** - Evan McAllister (Lox) **Left Field** - Cora Johnson (Lox) **Centerfield** - Darcy Venning (Ber Red) **Right Field** - Deanna Collard-Campbell (Ber) **Utilities** - Cara Venning (Ber), Di Passmore (Cob), Jade Pech (Cob)

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Under 12 premiers: Block it like it's Hot – Nate Vallelonga, Royan Kipkosgei, Antonio Ielasi, Noah Memeitis, Zach Hronopoulos. PHOTOS: Tammy Verrall



Women: Chicks 'n' Kicks – Back row: Jess Grace (left), Parris Drakopoulos, Renee Hronopoulos. Front row: Paris Tieste (left), Emma Flavel, Peris Misoy.

# That's a wrap for Riverland futsal season

THE Riverland Futsal premiership season is officially done, with the association holding its awards night last Saturday in Berri. ABCDE FC was crowned as the men's champion for an astounding fifth year in a row after dominating the division, losing just one game.

Jay Botten took home multiple trophies, picking up the golden gloves and best and fairest awards in the men's division. Chicks 'n' Kicks took out the women's competition, while Virginia Mitchell was voted the division's best and fairest player after an outstanding campaign.

Pimms Parade rounded out the senior premiership winners, finishing first in the mixed division, six points clear of second-placed Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets (5). Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets tied on points with Malcolm in the under 16 competition, but its mammoth goal difference of

+171 was enough for Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets to secure the title. Callum Isaacs received the President's Award for his outstanding efforts and professional manner refereeing senior matches throughout the season.

Men's premiers: ABCDE FC – Back row: Thomas Pipinis (left), Kev Barber Jr, Jon Pintilie. Front row: Ryan Verrall (left), Kev Barber Sr, Marty Barber.



Mixed: Pimms Parade – Samara Nield (left), Lara Quinn, Tyson Schrapel, Nathan Scadden, Callum Cassell.



Under 16: Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets – Matilda Mitchell (left), Shaylee Miller, Mitchell Rayner, Cooper Ebert, Tony Mitchell, Mikayla Rayner.



Under 14: Hatrick Swayze – Dimitri Hronopoulos, Josh Krendl, Brayden Pankhurst, Mitchell Cawse, Constantine Vallelonga, Oscar Muller.



Men's best and fairest: Jay Botten. PHOTOS: Tammy Verrall



Women's best and fairest: Virginia Mitchell



President's award: Callum Isaacs





Tennis SA's Troy McNeil (right) presented the Australian Tennis award and trophy for Most Outstanding School to Riverland tennis identity John Pick, Cobdogla Primary School students and principal David Ness (middle). PHOTOS: supplied



Cobdogla Primary School students participated in coaching sessions with Troy McNeil from Tennis SA following the award presentation.

# Cobdogla's award wait over

COBDOGLA Primary School was this week presented with the prestigious tennis award it won last year.

The school was announced as the Most Outstanding School at the 2021 Australian Tennis Awards last December.

Tennis SA's Troy McNeil presented the award and trophy to the school at the Cobdogla tennis courts on Monday and fol-

lowed the presentation with coaching sessions for the students. A spokesperson described the session as "very successful".



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# WAIKERIE WOMEN WIN IT ALL



AFTER a tumultuous final few weeks of the regular season, Waikerie has pulled it all together to take out the division one women's basketball championship.

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Waikerie has taken out the division one women's basketball title, defeating Berri by 31 points last Friday night. Back row: Daniel Leuders (coach), Alicia Curtis, Khaleisha Barnett, Sienna Lehmann, Cody Turner, Hannah Lehmann. Front row: Thaleisha Fridd (left), Renee Hahn, Ya-Wen Liu. (Absent: Sarah Campbell). PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



## Lack of numbers threatens hockey powerhouse side

DEIRDRE GRAHAM

THE high-flying Renmark Hockey Club could be unable to field an A grade women's team this season, due to a shortage of players.

The club has won the past three A grade women's premierships, but has been forced into a "rebuilding" phase, said club president – and nominal women's A grade coach – Nick Hocking.

"We are down in numbers due to a lot of juniors moving away for school, going into year 12 and university, as well as (several) being injured," Mr Hocking said.

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