

Houseboat owners told to make way for council development

NO MOOR TIME LEFT

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

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One of last year’s Apprentice of the Year winners, Madison Lailey (centre), presented Renmark-based graphic designer Kelsey Wade (left) and Loxton-based electrician Riley Thomson with the trophy at the Riverland and Mallee Vocational Awards last Friday night. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

Award win a fair share

ELYSE ARMANINI

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The other major award, the Trainee of the Year, was won by former Loxton resident William Gillett, who worked for Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone last year.

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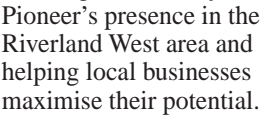


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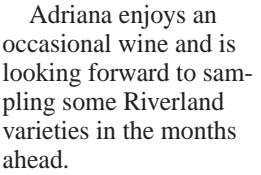
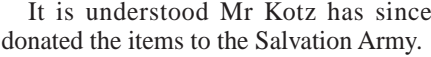
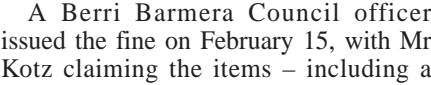
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Sports day cancelled again

Waikerie High School's Haylee Gore competing in the high jump at the 2021 Riverland interschool athletics carnival. The 2022 carnival, scheduled to be held at Loxton High School this Tuesday, has been cancelled, due to Covid-19 concerns.

FOR the second time in three years, Covid concerns have forced the cancellation of the Riverland interschool athletics competition.

Parents and caregivers were notified of the event's cancellation via a statement released by the Riverland Secondary Schools Alliance (RSSA) this week.

Involving all four Riverland senior schools, the annual Interschool Sports Day was due to be held at

Loxton High School on Tuesday, April 5.

Despite community sporting events continuing, an increasing number of Covid-positive staff, students and school leaders across the Riverland, plus the need to avoid the spread of Covid-19, were the main reasons given for the cancellation.

"We have received advice from our department that, for the

remainder of this term, work can be paused that takes us and our staff away from teaching, supporting students and children, addressing urgent parent/caregiver matters, or staff wellbeing," the RSSA statement read.

"In consultation with our education directors we have made the decision to cancel the forthcoming Riverland interschool athletics competition.

"The main consideration in arriving at this decision was the health and safety of our students and staff.

"We regret this decision as we understand that our school communities look forward to the Riverland interschool athletics competition. However, as it would bring hundreds of students, staff and parents together from across our region, it is deemed to be a high-risk activity.

"Keeping our schools open and maintaining continuity of learning is seen as being our highest priority."

The event was last cancelled in 2020 when the Covid-19 pandemic began, but was successfully held last year at Waikerie High School, where Loxton took out its 41st consecutive championship shield win.

This year's event has not been rescheduled.

Riverland councils agree to help fund union battle

RATEPAYERS across two local government areas will pay almost \$6000 to assist two metropolitan councils with legal fees for a case that could ultimately have far-reaching impacts for all SA councils.

The cities of Mitcham and Unley made a joint application for assistance – via the Local Government Association (LGA) – to defend an industrial dispute with the Construction Forestry Maritime Mining Energy Union (CFMMEU), with the Australian Workers' Union also a party to the proceedings.

Both Loxton Waikerie and Berri Barmera councils agreed to assist

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the city councils.

In a report to councillors, Loxton Waikerie CEO David Beaton said the CFMMEU is seeking to establish its right to represent outdoor employees of the two metropolitan councils in enterprise bargaining negotiations.

"The CFMMEU is also seeking that the councils recognise it as a party to enterprise negotiations in respect to its proposed agreement applying to employees covered by

the Local Government Employees Award," he explained.

"If the matter is found in the CFMMEU's favour, this would mean that the union would be entitled to have rights with regards to enterprise bargaining, rights of entry to any council, and to influence and dictate changes to the affected industrial awards.

"The cities of Mitcham and Unley contend that freedom of association is a core principle of the South Australian industrial relations system, pursuant to the Fair Work Act 1994 (SA)."

Mr Beaton said if the CFMMEU was found to be entitled to represent outdoor workers in local

government, all councils would be required to consult with the union for various disciplinary, work health and safety, policy and procedure reviews, plus workplace change matters.



"It is posited that this will likely result in an increase in industrial disputation and the costs associated with employment of the outdoor workforce within the sector," he said.

In a letter to both councils, LGA

CEO Clinton Jury said the invitation for "voluntary contributions" was due to potential impact for all councils and to ensure the matter is "appropriately defended".

Loxton Waikerie council was asked to consider a contribution of \$3008, while Berri Barmera was \$2636.

At Loxton Waikerie, the motion to support the application was carried, while at Berri Barmera, the vote among councillors was tied.

It then went to a mayoral vote, with Mayor Peter Hunt voting in favour of supporting the application.

Meanwhile, Renmark Paringa Council is yet to discuss the matter.



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\$63k Riverland Wine program now open

LOCAL wineries have been encouraged to apply for a new industry program set to boost the profile of the Riverland wine region.

Riverland Wine – in partnership with the South Australian Wine Association – has encouraged applications for a \$63,000 program targeted at increasing the demand for, and sales of, Riverland wine.

A Riverland Wine spokesperson said the program – which involves media training, workshops, and a scholarship to May’s ProWein fair in Dusseldorf, Germany – was aimed at “wineries and grape-growing businesses who are ambitious about growing their market outside of South Australia”.

Expressions of interest for the program are now open, with details to be finalised by Friday, April 8.

William’s ‘humbling’ trainee honour

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LOXTON’S William Gillett was announced as the 2021 Trainee of the Year at the Riverland and Mallee Vocational Awards last Friday night.

Mr Gillett recently completed his one-year traineeship in the electorate office of Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone and said it was “very humbling” to receive the award.

“Obviously there were so many fantastic finalists there,” he said.

“I know quite a few of the other trainees, and I know how hard they work in their jobs too. I thought any of them could have won the award.”

Mr Gillett, 19, said he was pleased to get the recognition and looked forward to using the skills he learned during his time as a trainee in his future endeavours.

“It’s very nice just to be recognised and to have those events around for the chance to be recognised as a finalist,” he said.

“Obviously you don’t do it for the recognition, you do it to gain more experience and learn more skills.

“I definitely got that out of my traineeship. It’s given me so much, and I hope I’ve been able to give back a bit and do some good work in the electorate office.”

Mr Gillett moved to Adelaide last month to study a Bachelor of Business, Economics, Finance and Trade at the University of



2021 Trainee of the Year, William Gillett (right), spent his year-long traineeship in the office of Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone (left). PHOTOS: Elyse Armanini

South Australia.

His time in the electorate office “without a doubt” helped him prepare for his university study and future career.

“I think that gap year worked really well for me,” he said.

“Getting to take that year to do some work while being able to understand the good working habits, like organising my own lunches and making sure I’m at work nine to five every day, has set me up for my future.

“With the traineeships, you still have to complete the qualification, so you’re still doing that bit of study.

“Working in the electoral office, you learn something new every day.”

Mr Gillett said Mr Whetstone was “very happy” for him.

“He was very pleased to see that I was able to win the award,” Mr Gillett said.

“Tim and (office manager) Cassie Bye have both been

great mentors and great support throughout the past year. Everyone in the office was, but especially those two.

“The time and effort they put into the trainees to give us the most opportunities as possible is pretty incredible.

“I haven’t spoken to any of the trainees that have worked there that haven’t enjoyed the experience.”



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Electrician and graphic designer share the annual Vocational Awards spotlight...

Kelsey Wade accepted the Print Communication Industry Award, presented by Barker MP Tony Pasin. PHOTOS: Elyse Armanini



Nick Baker (left), Tania Bee, Danica Bee and Andrew Platten, all of Waikerie.



Riley Thomson accepted the Electrotech/Engineering/Air Conditioning Industry Award, presented by Print DNA owner, Ian Andrews.



Jarrod Cranmer (left), Jeremy Pippas, both of Loxton, Ashley Polst, Stacey Polst, both of Berri, Heidi Crawford, Abby Casey and Nathan Casey, all of Barmera.

2021 Apprentices of the Year

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Riley Thomson and Kelsey Wade shared the 2021 Apprentice of the Year title at the Riverland and Mallee Vocational Awards, presented at the Berri Hotel.

Mr Thomson, an electrician with LecLogix in Loxton, said he was "very surprised" to win the award, despite earlier in the evening being announced the Electrotech/Engineering/Air Conditioning Industry Award winner.

"I've spoken to people who have been in the awards before, and they made mention that if you do happen to win your category there is a good chance to win the big one," he said.

"So, once my name was called out for the category, I was definitely eager to see what happened at the end."

Mr Thomson was prompted to say a few words after being named the first of the joint Apprentice of the Year award winners, and thanked his employer and family.

The 22-year-old finished his apprenticeship capstone at TAFE SA in Adelaide on Friday, before making his way to the awards in the evening. He expects to receive his qualification by the middle of this year.

Mr Thomson said winning the awards was

a "good feather in the cap" and gave him more confidence for his future career.

"It'll look good on the resume, that's for sure," he said.

"It also puts into perspective all the different things you've had to go through to get to where we are now.

"It gives you the ability to back yourself in and have a go."

Ms Wade, a graphic designer with Print DNA in Renmark, has enjoyed much award success recently, however none of her wins had been shared.

"It's quite gratifying to share an award with another Riverlander who has a fierce competence, passion and dedication, like I do," she said.

"Riley is an outstanding example of success, and I am honoured to share this spotlight with him and stand together as proud examples of vocational and industrious excellence."

Ms Wade, 22, was also announced as the Print Communication Industry Award winner in the lead-up to the announcement of Apprentice of the Year.

"To add a humorous note to the conversation, I did have quite the competition for the industry award... I was the only one eligible for it this year," Ms Wade said.

"However, I believe receiving this award still establishes a sense of accomplishment

for myself, and that I'm continually being recognised for my efforts."

Ms Wade, who completed her apprenticeship last September, said winning the award "reinforces my skill and capability as a young leader in my industry and gives me passion to keep growing and striving for bet-

ter" as she looks to the future.

"I'm focusing on my role as the current competitor and Australian representative in Graphic Design Technology in the upcoming WorldSkills International competition in Shanghai, China,"

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

Different outcome from Jane dispute

AMBIENCE, the preservation of open spaces, river views, the value of sticking to a pledge made 20 years ago.

Renmark Paringa councillors’ decision to demolish the old Westpac building was essentially ‘pro’ all these things, and residents will assign a certain amount of value to each of them.

But most would agree the decision was, by definition, anti-development.

The chance of developing that building and/ or that chunk of real estate has been dashed.

The elected members have spoken, seemingly backed by public sentiment.

Those championing development at the council now face a battle on another front, in the form of houseboat owners told to leave their moorings within three months, to allow for further development of Jane Eliza Estate.

Many casual observers will again see both sides of the issue. Indeed, the houseboat owner who spoke to The Murray Pioneer was sufficiently balanced to concede the council was compelled to develop its district.

Most would acknowledge that housing is in short supply in Renmark, like the rest of the Riverland, and that Jane Eliza represents an opportunity to address that issue and generate substantial funds, immediate and ongoing, for the council’s coffers. Nothing wrong with that aspiration.

Likewise, few would argue that essentially being evicted – albeit from the river front – is a tough pill to swallow, particularly for long-term residents. Some of these river-side dwellers have invested their own money to set up a low-cost, simple and quiet lifestyle, and would have been happy to stay there indefinitely.

While the Westpac decision is done, the pro-development arm of council knows it must – and surely will – succeed in getting the Jane Eliza plan completed.

In forming their opinions on the matter, other Renmark Paringa residents and ratepayers may well balance what the group of houseboat owners broadly bring to the town against the bigger picture of what this major development could mean for Renmark and its future.

On that score, the houseboat owners may find the public response supporting their cause somewhat less vocal than the enthusiastic backing of the Westpac building decision.

Barker challenger raises questions

THE symbolism of the first confirmed Barker opponent to sitting Liberal MP Tony Pasin being from a conservative party may only become apparent after the May federal election.

David Swiggs represents billionaire Clive Palmer’s United Australia Party and conservative parties with some degree of profile are popping up all over the place.

One Nation’s SA Election results in gaining an upper house member for the first time surprised most, while the party’s Chaffey candidate Sab Feleppa gained the third-highest number of first-preference votes in the March 19 ballot.

The Liberal Democrats are also increasing their profile, although whether that equates to any additional electoral success remains to be seen.

However, one of the many fascinating factors of the upcoming federal poll will be the impact these conservative parties have on the Coalition’s vote. Some argue the Liberal Party has never been further away from its conservative roots and if enough people feel that way, its primary vote could experience a similar slide as the SA Liberals witnessed.

Ironically, Mr Pasin is a conservative and might find himself nodding along – albeit privately – with some of the motherhood statements made by Mr Swiggs and others of his ilk.



Thiele’s first motor vehicle in Loxton? When Skipper Thiele or his son, Fred, bought a ‘horseless carriage’ in 1910, it seems it became the district’s first. The vehicle was an International 18/20 Motor Buggy. A caption declared this was “Fred driving ...the first motor buggy in Loxton”. It had registration #933. Interestingly, two Pyap residents of similar age as Fred bought motor buggies at a similar time: JTW Milich’s buggy had registration #932 and Fred’s brother-in-law TH Zeppel’s was #1009. So, the Milichs’ vehicle was technically the first in the district, but the Thieles’ the first in Loxton. It was said that driving these vehicles was hazardous. “These vehicles ran along quite smoothly (though a) stiff pinch of sand would hold them up. Then the passengers would get out and with spades and ropes (part of the equipment), set to work to extricate the ‘bus’. The engine was noisy, which was an advantage for those driving in (horse-drawn) buggies. They could hear the motorists a long way off and prepare their horses for the moment of passing. They generally managed to get well off the track, right into the mallees, with the horses’ heads turned in.” PHOTO: Rosemary French

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Paying twice for pets

IT may not be an important issue to most people, but I’m sure someone can understand how ridiculous this ongoing annual dog registration fee truly is.

My question, why do councils force all pet owners to microchip their dogs, which us responsible ones have, then continue to send all of us annual registration fee charges?

It makes no sense. If I lost my dog for any reason in any state of Australia, it would be found and returned to me, thanks to the microchip, which is under the skin and cannot fall off or be lost.

I sincerely believe this registration fee is unnecessary and I believe it needs to be reviewed.

ZARA BELLA
Loxton

Dissecting Chaffey’s election numbers

NUMBERS regarding the Chaffey Electorate result at the 2022 State Election have been reported as a strong result for the Liberal Party’s Tim Whetstone.

Here is a candidate standing for his fourth term. He should have runs on the board, particularly considering his party was in control for the past four years.

I have always been a strong Liberal voter, but like many South Australians I became very disillusioned by the direction of the Liberal Party and in particular their disregard to and neglect for the regional, rural areas and in particular Chaffey.

I do not believe Labor can neglect us any more than we have been.

I voted One Nation. Mr Whetstone was up against five other candidates, all first time candidates.

All but one lived outside the electorate and were involved in a very short campaign period:

- Jo Sutton, Labor. A non-local with about a four-week campaign.

- Sab Feleppa, One Nation. A non-local, with a three-month campaign.

- Trevor Schloithe, Greens. A local, with a campaign of a cou-

ple of months. - Damian Buijs, Nationals. Another non-local who campaigned for a couple of months. - Mathew Francis, Family First. Didn’t campaign.

The informal vote was five per cent. Added to the above group of five candidates it comes to 49 per cent of the total vote.

Is this a protest to how the Chaffey electorate has been treated and a poor performance by a certainty?

But Chaffey was not brave enough to show a real protest, and a protest does not mean we had to vote Labor.

We were always going to be an electorate in opposition. Are we frightened of change after being bitten on the bum by National-turned Labor minister Karlene Maywald?

Mr Whetstone now can put in an exceptional effort, with no concern at upsetting his Liberal hierarchy, because they have gone.

I am sure he will have strong support from Liberal MLC Nicola Centofanti and One Nation’s Jennifer Game, who is a strong advocate for the rural areas.

Premier Peter Malinauskas spoke at a forum prior to the election and stated that he was going to build five new technical colleges around the state. Two areas had been earmarked and a further three were to be decided.

Here is a challenge to Mr Whetstone: Get one in the Chaffey area, with a curriculum based on primary production and associated industries/vocations. There is a campus currently vacant ideal for such a facility.

Chaffey is now looking for strong leadership in difficult times.

IAN PENNO
Winkie

Council’s dump vouchers

THERE have been a lot of complaints around about people no longer getting dump vouchers from the Mid Murray Council.

I am classed as rural. The dump hours are not even thought about, because who wants to go

to a dump at 11am on a Sunday in the heat etc.?

I contacted the council about the charge of \$190 for domestic waste bin collection.

I got a letter back saying if you have a liveable dwelling you were copping the charge with no opt-out option.

But, I have not used my bin since the bins were left at the gate.

I even rang council and told them I didn’t want a bin.

But instead they said lock it up so nobody can take it.

Now, the council is crying tears about the river front being damaged by boats etc.

Maybe if they did the job properly in the first place they would not be sitting with their head in their hands?

In my opinion, all councils think about are their back pockets and how to get money from ratepayers.

I believe we had a law passed here that people going out to the dump had to have their loads covered or there would be a fine?

The prices to go to the dump with items is out of reach for some people.

I believe the council only want gear it can sell, but where does that cash go?

People of Morgan, you have a voice. It is your town, so speak up. Small things add up.

HOPE CLARK
Morgan

Homeless are from all backgrounds

GARY Mitchell’s support in the Murray Pioneer is much appreciated (‘Let homeless stay by the river’, 23/3/22).

However, the origins and ethnicity of the homeless people with problems vary.

We find those with mental and substance abuse problems from all backgrounds and all walks of life.

They are all simply God’s children, fellow citizens needing help regardless of what they are identified as.

God loves them all, and tells us to do the same.

MALCOLM TUBB
Renmark

We are blessed with our local hospitals

I RECENTLY had a medical procedure at the Riverland General Hospital at Berri and an overnight stay at the Renmark Hospital.

The nurses at the Riverland General Hospital could not have been more caring, putting me at ease, keeping me happy when I had to wait and being most caring when I came to from the anaesthetic.

Owing to the fact that my family lives in Sydney and my friends were otherwise engaged, I stayed at the Renmark Hospital overnight so that they could keep a check on me after having the anaesthetic.

The nurses were so friendly, caring and made my stay so comfortable.

In this day and age when there are constant complaints about most things, I thought this letter might make the world a little happier with these wonderful people looking after us. We are truly blessed in the Riverland.

PAT GLENIE
Renmark

SA voters reject attack on values

PEOPLE of faith across South Australia have had their say at the ballot box on MPs who attack their fundamental values.

Our faith is important, it impacts how we live, where we send our children to school, and how we vote.

As the ABC has recognised in its State Election coverage, Christian voters cannot be taken for granted by the Coalition.

We saw very clearly the impact of religious freedom as a key issue in the 2019 Federal Election, and once again it seems that a government perceived by many people of faith as not sharing their values is reaping the consequences.

How MPs vote on issues of conscience matters. Proposing Bills, such as the Equal Opportunity (Religious Bodies) Amendment Bill 2020 (SA) that would strip protections for religious bodies including Christian

Houseboat owners told to make way for major development... No moor time left

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Renmark Paringa chief executive officer Tony Siviour said alleviating pressure on housing availability, and attracting new commercial opportunities for the community, continued to be a priority for council.

“Council endorsed a houseboat management plan in 2019 following consultation with the commercial houseboat industry, government departments, the general public and houseboat owners,” Mr Siviour said.

“The management plan identified council’s intentions to relocate Houseboats from Ral Ral Creek as well as to pursue attracting a development partner for future stages of the Jane Eliza.

“With net zero rental availability, and housing and land supply continuing to be tightly held, coupled with the genuine interest received throughout the expression of interest process of securing a developer for the Jane Eliza, nothing has changed.

“We have engaged with Ral Ral Creek mooring holders, wrote to them in September and December 2021 and again in March 2022 outlining our intentions to not renew their 12-month mooring permit.”

However, Renmark Paringa Houseboat Collective spokesperson Jenny Troeth – speaking to the Murray Pioneer on behalf of Ral Ral Creek mooring holders – said local and visiting houseboat users generated substantial economic benefits for the Riverland.

“There are people down there who have put their life savings into those boats, and that’s their home,” Mrs Troeth said.

“They don’t own residential property, and a lot of them are on limited incomes. They are using their super,

or their pensions, to live within their means on those boats.

“They have used their retirement plans to fund these houseboats, so they would be able to comfortably enjoy their retirement years.

“There are boats down there that are purely recreational, and a lot of them are from out of town. So those boats are bringing large amounts of money into the town.”

Mrs Troeth said fears were growing among numerous owners that no alternative mooring options would be provided.

“You’re going to have boats with nowhere to go (and) displaced people, because you can only stay on crown land for 21 days,” she said.

“There may not be a written obligation, but I believe as a council they have a moral obligation. They’ve collected mooring fees from those people for years.”

The cost of a Ral Ral Creek mooring spot rose to \$2700 last year.

Mrs Troeth said council should avoid prioritising potential high-value residential properties at Jane Eliza.

“I don’t think there’s anyone out there that’s opposed to development from a residential perspective,” she said.

“I applaud them for it... but all they can see with that development is the dollars in rates down the track.

“I applaud their foresight for the future development of the town, but it should not come at the cost of an integral part of the community.”



A new concept image of the Jane Eliza Estate Development Project, which will force current Ral Ral Creek houseboat mooring owners to relocate. IMAGES: supplied

Fighting the mooring battle

A RIVERLAND council’s intention to relocate approximately 25 mooring spots overlooks the economic contributions made to the area by houseboat users, says the representative of a local group of concerned owners.

Adelaide woman Jenny Troeth last year helped to establish the Renmark Paringa Houseboat Collective, following concerns surrounding Renmark Paringa Council’s plan to relocate Ral Ral Creek mooring spot owners due to the upcoming Jane Eliza Estate Development.

Mrs Troeth – who travels to Renmark numerous times each year with her husband – said both local and visiting house-

boat owners continually supported small businesses.

“We as boat owners bring a lot into the town as well,” she said.

“We’ve spent over \$1000, or more, staying in the Riverland (last) week.

“Every time we come to the Riverland we leave \$500 or more behind, and we’re doing that all year. We’ve had three vehicles at JVS Bodyworks before.

“The houseboat industry, and the presence of houseboats in Renmark, are an integral part of the community and tourism in the area.

“So it’s got to work both ways.”

– HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

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Amy Shark says ‘hi’ to the Riverland

ARIA award-winner singer songwriter Amy Shark is coming to the Riverland.

Shark will perform at Renmark’s Chaffey Theatre on Saturday, July 30, as part of a 42-date regional tour of Australia.

Shark burst onto the music scene in 2016 with her six-time platinum single Adore, which peaked at number three on the ARIA charts. Her 2018 song I Said Hi reached number six in Australia and also made the Billboard top 40 in the USA.

“I’m the happiest when I’m on stage performing and I can’t wait to travel further into Australia where I’ve never



Amy Shark will perform in Renmark this July. PHOTO: Jess Gleeson

been before, to explore some of these towns and meet everyone,” Shark said yesterday.

“It’s going to be a fun one.”

The 35-year-old’s Love

Monster was the highest selling album by an Australian artist for 2018.

Tickets for the Renmark gig are on sale from 10am today (amyspark.com).

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Fruit fly begins spreading again?

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

FRUIT fly quarantine restrictions have been imposed on another Riverland town, after the detection of larvae in backyard fruit caused a new outbreak to be declared.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) last week declared an outbreak of Queensland fruit fly at Loxton.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone said quarantine requirements would have economic impacts on local growers throughout winter.

“These detections are disappointing as we know that fruit fly is one of the world’s most destructive pests and the Riverland horticulture industry has spent decades working to achieve and maintain a fruit fly free status,” Mr Whetstone said.

“The fruit fly detections trigger suspension zones and growers in these suspension zones cannot get their fruit to market without expensive treatment.

“I cannot stress enough the importance of the community’s co-operation in preventing the further spread of fruit fly, and I encourage everyone to visit the PIRSA website for suspension zone information and what your responsibilities are during this outbreak.

“I urge the incoming (state) government to continue to support this fight against fruit fly. The economy of a premier food bowl region like the Riverland relies on the fruit fly-free status and the government must maintain this status.”

Fruit fly outbreaks are also ongoing at Renmark West and Pike River.

PIRSA fruit fly response general manager Nick Secomb said it was vital all members of the community followed restriction guidelines.

“Our teams in orange overalls are contacting residents with information about what to do now they are in a red outbreak area, and will be regularly applying organic bait to suitable foliage in properties, as well as checking fruit for signs of fruit fly,” Mr Secomb

“If you are in a red outbreak area, please keep your fruit and vegetables on your property and don’t share, sell or give them away. Search your address on the map on the fruit fly website to check if you’re in a red outbreak area.

“I urge everyone in the region to keep gardens and properties tidy. Collect fallen fruit and don’t let fruit rot on the ground – this is essential in fruit fly prevention to stop the lifecycle.



Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone (right), pictured with Citrus SA chair Mark Doecke (left), Summerfruit Australia board member Jason Size, and Riverland-based MLC Nicola Centofanti, has urged Loxton residents to follow fruit fly quarantine guidelines such as removing fruit from backyard trees, in the wake of another local outbreak.

“These actions are an essential tactic, in combination with the work of our field teams, to protect South Australia’s \$1.3 billion horticulture industry at risk from fruit fly and the tens of thousands of jobs it represents.”

Local primary producers impacted by the fruit fly outbreaks are encour-

aged to contact the Family and Business Support program by phone on 1800 931 314, or by visiting the website (www.pir.sa.gov.au/fabs).

Further information regarding fruit fly outbreaks in the Riverland can be found by visiting the PIRSA website (www.fruitfly.sa.gov.au).

RIVERLAND QUARANTINE DATES IN PLACE UNTIL:

- Renmark West – Queensland fruit fly – 17, November 2022
- Pike River – Queensland fruit fly – 17, November 2022
- Pike River West - Queensland fruit fly - 17, November 2022
- Loxton - Queensland fruit fly - 22, November 2022.

“ I cannot stress enough the importance of the community’s co-operation in preventing the further spread of fruit fly...
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Motorists must stop and give way to students when the orange flags are present.

School crossing reminder

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

MOTORISTS are being reminded to be careful around a Riverland primary school, following a change to its road crossings earlier this year.

Loxton Primary School recently had its school crossings on both Drabsch and Pyap streets upgraded to ‘emu’ crossings, meaning motorists must stop for

pedestrians when orange flags are present.

Loxton Primary School’s Leigh Kruger said while most motorists were doing the right thing, some were causing potentially dangerous situations for students.

“There’s a couple that drive straight through,” he said.

“The law says that when the flags are out, cars need

to give way to the pedestrians crossing.

“If a child is waiting to clearly cross the road then they must stop at the stop bar line until they have crossed the road.”

Mr Kruger said the school zone speed limit also applied at all times.

“If students are here, but the flags aren’t out, it’s still 25km/h regardless,” he said.



Loxton Primary School now has ‘emu’ crossings, meaning motorists must stop and give way when children are or about to cross the road when orange flags are present. With the orange signs are students (from left) Hunter Lipacis, 9, Xavier Jackson, Indi Thomas, both 10, and Marlia Serafin, 9. PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson



Berri Barmera Council has not received complaints about intersections near Berri Regional Secondary College despite the council’s previous concerns.

Berri roads holding up despite student surge

JOSH BRINE

TRAFFIC near a Riverland high school appears to be flowing without complaint, despite significant concerns previously aired by the local council.

Berri Barmera Council’s acting CEO Peter

Bond said council “haven’t had a lot of feedback” about traffic around the new Berri Regional Secondary College, even though the number of students at the campus had increased significantly.

“We were concerned that with the escalation in traffic numbers down the adjacent roads that we’d have some major problems, but my compliance officers haven’t pointed to anything in particular at this stage,” Mr Bond said.

“Obviously it’s only early days... so we’ll continue to monitor that.”

Under previous CEO Karyn Burton, council began lobbying the state government to address its concerns for the Kay Avenue/Fenwick Road and Fenwick Road/Burgess Drive intersections surrounding the school in 2019.

“We were probably disappointed there wasn’t more attention shown by the state government in that precinct, but that’s the nature of how they approach things – they do look a bit internally,” Mr Bond said.

“We’ve probably moved on from that now and are just trying to do a master planning exercise around that and tie it in with our Glassey Park development as well.”

Elected members attended a confidential briefing session last Tuesday to discuss the Glassey Park master plan and the district-wide growth strategy, plus regional waste.

Mr Bond said both plans were expected to be released for public feedback soon.

“Members are comfortable with the Glassey Park plan, which will be coming out for community consultation shortly I would imagine,” he said.

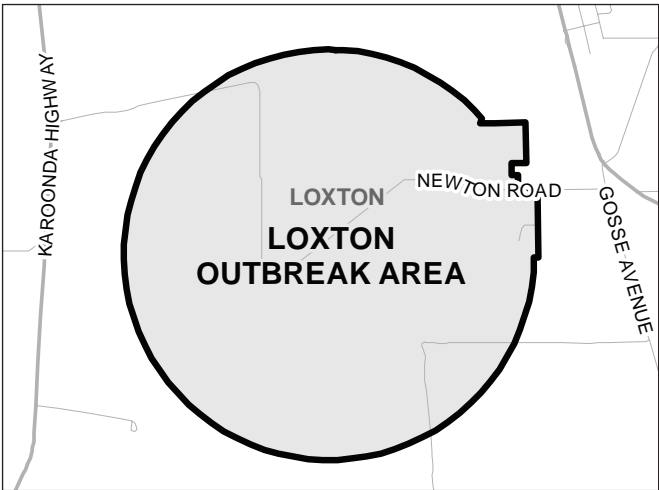
“The broader Berri Barmera growth strategy is in the final stage and just getting that right for consultation as well.

“Obviously all the council were involved in providing feedback to the consultants to get those right before they go out for community consultation.”

“We were concerned that with the escalation in traffic numbers down the adjacent roads that we’d have some major problems...”

– Berri Barmera Council acting CEO Peter Bond

FRUIT FLY OUTBREAKS LOXTON AND PIKE RIVER WEST



Queensland fruit fly has been found at Loxton and Pike River West. A 1.5 km radius outbreak area has been established at each location, which includes surrounding localities.

The Pike River West detections change the Pike River and Renmark West outbreak end dates to 17 November 2022. The Loxton outbreak will end on 22 November 2022, providing there are no further detections.

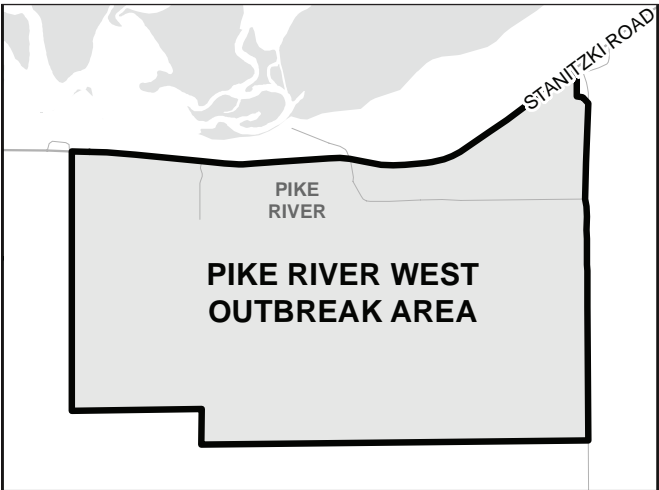
If you live in the area, visit fruitfly.sa.gov.au to understand the restrictions in place where you live, work or go to school.

Once purchased or picked from the garden, some fruit and vegetables cannot move from your property within the outbreak area.

Special arrangements need to be put in place for the movement of commercial produce. Call the industry hotline on 1800 255 556.

An eradication program has begun to keep your area fruit fly free and help protect our state’s important horticultural industries.

PIRSA staff wearing orange overalls and carrying ID will apply organic fruit fly bait and check fruit in the area.



- What you need to do:
- **Allow** easy access to your property so PIRSA staff can do their work quickly and efficiently.
 - **Pick** up all fallen and over-ripe fruit in your garden as well as remove any remaining fruit from fruit trees. Seal the fruit in a plastic bag and call the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 to arrange collection.
 - **Don’t move** fresh fruit, fruiting vegetables or garden waste from your property.
 - **Check** your fruit regularly and if you find a maggot or suspect fruit fly, seal it in a plastic bag and contact the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 to arrange collection.



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Encephalitis spreads to local piggery

THREE more South Australian piggeries, including one in the Riverland, have detected mosquito-borne Japanese encephalitis (JE), the state government announced last week.

The detections were recorded in the Loxton Waikerie, Murray Bridge and Coorong local government areas and brought the number of SA piggeries where JE has been detected to four.

South Australia's Chief Veterinary Officer Dr Mary Carr said JE in pigs and horses could be prevented by controlling mosquitoes and protecting animals from mosquito bites.

“PIRSA (Department of Primary Industries and Regions) urges all pig and horse owners to reduce the risk by controlling mosquitoes on your property, through eliminating breeding areas and using chemicals responsibly,” she said.

“Prevent mosquitoes biting pigs and horses and protect yourself, your staff and your family.”

Chair of Pork SA Andrew Johnson said that industry was working closely with PIRSA and SA Health and welcomed the government's “prompt response”.

“There are staff on the ground conducting mosquito and disease surveillance, including further test-

Japanese encephalitis virus cases double

RIVERLANDERS and visitors are again being asked to “tighten the loop” after the number of cases of a rare mosquito-borne virus in the state doubled to eight, including six cases which contacted the clinic locally.

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

“We can confirm that one of the additional cases included the person who was previously reported last week,” Dr Loe 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 close observation, using mosquito coils and using insect sprays to reduce the risk of mosquitoes biting.

“The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Affairs is currently undertaking surveillance measures within SA to monitor for JEV and continue to work closely with the Department for Health and Wellbeing.

The normal lifecycle of JEV is between waterbirds and mosquitoes, which may die in hospital, still in



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ing and providing information and advice to farmers,” he said.

“There are no food safety issues associated with eating pork meat or pork products due to this disease.

“Shoppers are encouraged to support local farmers by continuing to buy Australian pork.

“Valuable information on mos-

quito control for piggeries has been developed by the Japanese Encephalitis Vector Management Group, and this can be found on the PIRSA website.”

Japanese encephalitis is a notifiable disease, and any suspect cases must be reported.

PIRSA urged animal owners to report any cases of unexplained pig deaths, especially piglets, or unexplained horse illnesses, to a vet or the Emergency Animal Disease Watch Hotline on 1800 675 888.

PIRSA and SA Health are working together, alongside industry and with interstate counterparts to understand the implications, and

to communicate to farmers how they can reduce the risk of human exposure.

PIRSA is also urging anyone who owns more than one pig or horse to register for a Property Identification Code (PIC).

“Having a PIC ensures PIRSA can contact you if there is an animal health event such as JE or another livestock disease outbreak, or bushfire or flood,” Dr Carr said.

Eight human cases have also been detected in South Australia, including one fatal case.

For more information, visit pir.sa.gov.au/je-virus and outbreak.sa.gov.au.

I’m changing how Labor interacts with country SA

By **PETER MALINAUSKASI**
SA Premier



LABOR’S victory at the State Election marks a change in how a government based in the Adelaide CBD interacts with country South Australia.

I have made it very clear, throughout the election campaign, just how important our regions are to the state.

They are home to 30 per cent of our population, contribute about \$25 billion to our economy, and produce more than 50 per cent of our overseas merchandise exports.

I am the first to acknowledge that our regions haven’t always received the attention they need and deserve, but that will change under a government I lead.

We have committed nearly a billion dollars in new investment to our regions in health services, education, training and skills, public housing, major infrastructure projects such as the new hydrogen facility and in regional industries such as forests and fishing.

I have also committed to ensuring the ongoing viability of our regional newspapers by committing that 10 per cent of all government advertising is spent in regional media.

To support our ongoing focus on regional South Australia, I have two cabinet ministers with direct regional links and responsibilities.

Minister Clare Scriven with responsibility for Primary Industries, Regional Development and Forests and Independent MP Geoff Brock, with responsibility for Regional Roads.

Labor understands that each of our regions are unique, with their own challenges but also their own strengths and opportunities.

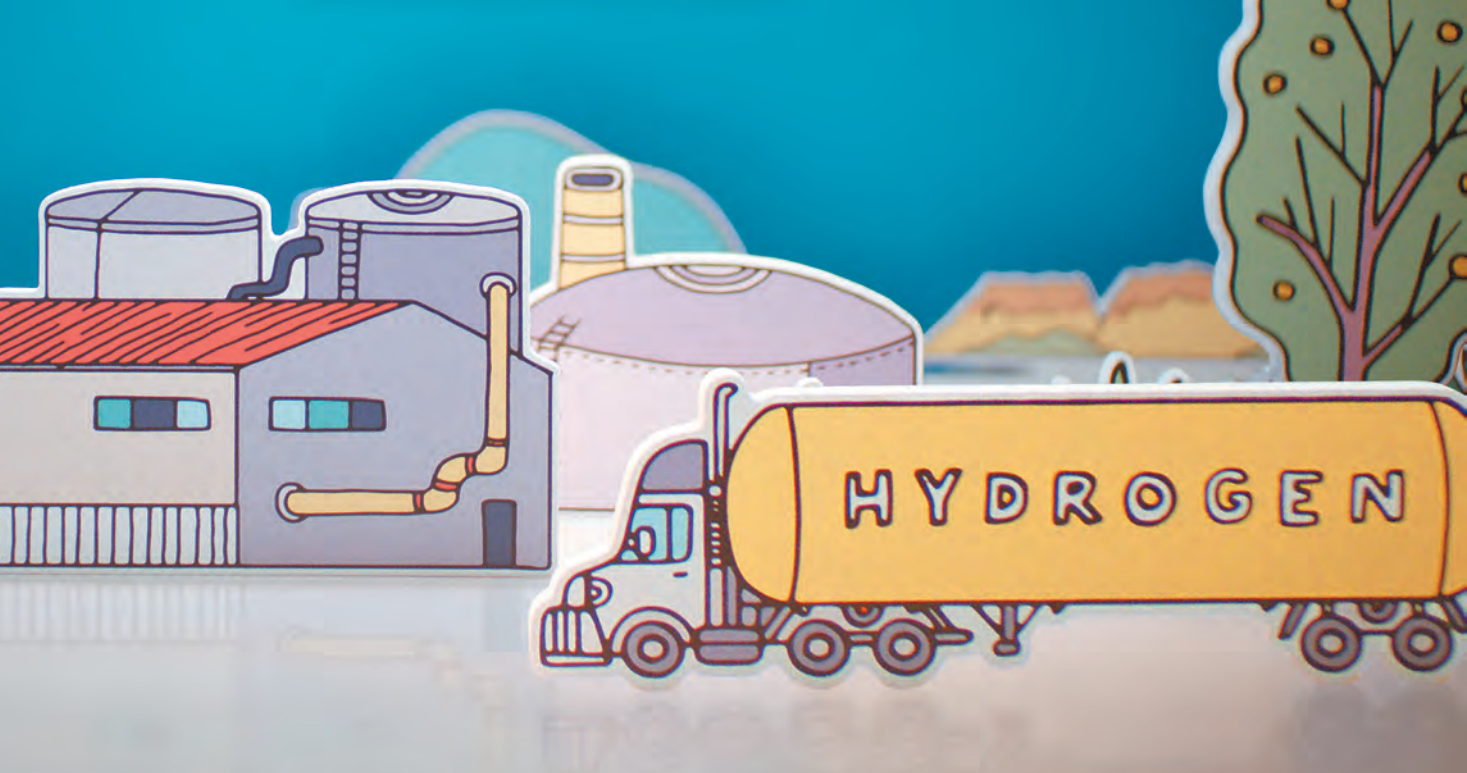
I will be taking our cabinet back into the regions on a regular basis so we have an opportunity to talk face to face.

LGA welcomes local government minister

THE Local Government Association has welcomed some of the new SA Labor Government’s ministerial appointments.

The LGA SA made special mention of new Minister for Local Government Geoff Brock, among others. LGA president Angela Evans said South Australia’s councils were central to creating thriving communities and having someone so well-acquainted with local government would be an asset to build on the existing partnerships between the state government and the sector.

“We know Minister Brock understands the central role that councils play in regional communities, and we think that’s a great perspective to bring to the portfolio,” she said.



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Covid rule changes to ease iso burden

RIVERLANDERS are expected to spend less time in isolation due to Covid-19 following the significant easing of Covid-19 rules announced by the state government last week.

Household close contacts will only have to quarantine for seven days instead of 14, people who have had Covid-19 will not be considered close contacts until 12 weeks after the end of their isolation, and people will only be considered close contacts after spending a cumulative four hours with a confirmed case during their infectious period instead of 15 minutes.

The newly formed Emergency Management Council also

resolved to work towards removing mask mandates in public places from Thursday, April 14, with the exception of high-risk settings.

The state's Emergency Management Declaration is also expected to be removed on or before June 30, unless there is "a substantial change of circumstance".

At a press conference on Friday, Premier Peter Malinauskas said the council had made changes to "help bring our state into line with the rest of the nation".

"These changes have been supported by chief public health officer Professor Nicola

Spurrier and will form the basis of directions from state co-ordinator (and Police Commissioner) Grant Stevens," Mr Malinauskas said.

"Strict isolation requirements have placed significant strain on workplaces across the state.

"Easing these rules will help ensure more people can return to work, while also easing pressure on our schools.

"South Australians have overwhelmingly followed the rules throughout the Covid-19 pan-



● Peter Malinauskas

demie and this further easing of restrictions is further reward for everyone's efforts."

The Emergency Management Council also received a briefing regarding "urgent work" currently under way to increase hospital capacity and testing capacity, and plans for a campaign to increase vaccination rates, particularly third dose rates.

Work has also begun to prepare for the rollout of a fourth dose of the Covid-19 vaccination for high risk groups from Monday, April 4.

PAGE 18 Hospital centenary plans postponed



With the new SA government lacking "horticultural experience", local government needs to step up its advocacy of fruit fly measures, Trevor Norton says.



Sending fruit fly message to new SA government

QUEENSLAND fruit fly continues to scourge Riverland horticulturalists and residents.

Last week another outbreak of the devastating pest was declared at Loxton, in addition to those recently declared at Renmark West, Pike River and Pike River West.

These outbreak areas and surrounding growing districts will be affected by restrictions until mid to late November this year.

Similar outbreaks throughout the Riverland last year make the latest restrictions no surprise. Once again, we are in the midst of the investigation and control procedures becoming all too familiar.

The fruit fly prevention and control program has been well supported by our state government over recent years at a cost of tens of millions of dollars.

Our local MP, Tim Whetstone, has always been very active in this space; even more so in his stint as the minister responsible.

His zero tolerance of host fruit at road block entries into South Australia was a serious step in the right direction, even if unpopular with those fined for transgressing it.

More recently his former government imposed a complete prohibition on the transport of any host fruit, home grown or retail purchased, into the Riverland pest free area (PFA).

Both of these measures have been best practice in controlling the pest and very important to maintaining access for our produce to overseas markets.

This latest series of outbreaks has again prompted local grower groups to seek more effective measures of fruit fly prevention.

From their perspective, too much restriction would not be enough and most have called for more involvement by Riverland local government.

However, not many have come with workable suggestions – most for restrictions which cannot be achieved under current legislation and with no budget consideration.

The control and eradication of fruit fly in the Riverland is, to me, the single most important local issue. A \$2bn horticultural industry and treatment-free way of life makes this emphatic.

A new government is only a week old and needs to be made aware of this, if it is not already appreciated.

Something that has not been suggested by anyone to me, but must become the starting point is this: We cannot afford to have anything less than present and we do not need to expend more effort justifying it or on alternate ways to fund it.

Without much horticultural experience evident in the newly elected government, it is advocacy that local government is in place to do unequivocally.

○ 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.

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'Freedom fighter' new Barker candidate

PAUL MITCHELL

HE talks to Clive Palmer, champions freedom of choice and intends to spend the coming weeks campaigning against vaccine mandates.

Meet Barker candidate David Swiggs.

Mr Swiggs is standing for the United Australia Party at the 2022 Federal Election and signed up a couple of Riverland members during a recent trip to Waikerie, where he met around a dozen locals.

The Mount Gambier-based "conservative at heart" admits having the financial backing of the party's billionaire founder makes it easier for UAP contenders like him to spread their largely libertarian views.

"Clive's initial sizeable investment in our campaigns will go a long way to making voters aware there is a third, viable option when it comes time to vote," he said.

"People living in this country should be able to freely go about their business of supporting and nurturing their families, and not be impeded by government overreach and control.

"I stand for bodily autonomy and the right to choose. The UAP is all about abolishing unjust, and immoral mandates, and restoring our democratic freedoms, recently lost to poor leadership and unelected bureaucrats."

Mr Swiggs is passionately opposed to Covid-related lockdowns and any form of vaccine mandates.

"Over two years into mandates and lockdowns, the hard-working people of Australia are still losing their jobs, families and relationships, and enduring extreme hardship because of these draconian measures," he said.

"Big business, corporates and other large organisations are running roughshod over everyday Australians and placing them in financial hardship and worse."

The one-time share farmer and former furniture retailer has most recently worked in the banking industry, spe-



United Australia Party founder Clive Palmer.

cialising in retail, commercial and agribusiness banking.

He said the introduction of Covid-19 restrictions brought about a realisation that his "core values" align with the UAP, ultimately sparking his decision to stand for Barker at the upcoming poll.

"I believe in the inalienable rights and freedoms of all people and maintaining full democracy as our preferred method of governance," he said.

"I have lived and worked in the Barker electorate all my life and have deep connections with country South Australia.

"I am a strong representative and advocate for regional communities and the Australian way of life.

"Last year, I witnessed a crisis unfolding in our local communities with the introduction of mandates and lockdowns. I started to wonder to myself, 'What can I do to change this?'..."

Mr Swiggs described his party's often-controversial founder as a "highly credentialled, successful businessman" and argued Mr Palmer's leadership is "urgently needed".

"I have spoken to him a few times," he said.

"We both believe the mandates are so destructive to jobs, communities and relationships, and they need to go, not just in some areas, across the board."

Mr Swiggs, 51, said he plans to be a regular Riverland visitor during the remaining weeks before the 2022 Federal Election – tipped for mid-May – and



Barker UAP candidate David Swiggs (right) met Riverland West irrigator Mark Doecke, among other locals, during his recent local visit. The duo discussed concerns about the management of the Murray-Darling Basin during drought years. PHOTO: Christine Webster

is in the area today and tomorrow.

"The response from Riverlanders so far has been one of overwhelming support for change," he said.

"With water security, cost-of-living pressures, rent affordability and mandate madness just a few of the main concerns people have, I will be back in the Riverland in a couple of weeks to discuss the United Australia Party's vision for our country."

Mr Swiggs recently met the UAP's leader Craig Kelly, and said the former Liberal and independent MP had an "honest, down-to-earth approach of where our country is headed and what needs to be done to save it".

Mr Swiggs also said a taxation plan that would see regionally-based Australians pay 20 per cent less tax than their metropolitan counterparts was among the UAP's key policies, along with advocating for the manufacturing industry and small business.

Mr Swiggs joins sitting Liberal Barker MP Tony Pasin as confirmed candidates for the local seat.

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RIVERLANDERS who travel to Adelaide via Karoonda will ultimately benefit from recently announced major road upgrades, jointly funded by the state and federal governments.

Karoonda Highway will receive \$10m – comprising \$8m from the federal government and \$2m from the SA government – to complete a raft of upgrades.

These include pavement treatment to fix wheel rutting and skid resistance, shoulder sealing and full width road sealing to achieve 3.3m lanes, and installation of auto tactile line marking on edge and centreline.

Meanwhile more SA road funding was announced in yesterday's 2022-23 Federal Budget.

Key rural SA projects funded through the Budget include:

□ An additional \$10m for the Rural Roads Package-Safety Package, bringing the total federal government commitment to \$124.4m.

□ \$60m for the South Eastern Freeway.

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Our Loxton veteran celebrates 100 years

A LOXTON man celebrated his 100th birthday on Monday, surrounded by family, friends and neighbours.

Les Voigt said it felt special to reach the milestone and he “never” imagined he would reach 100 years old.

“There’s been a lot of highlights,” he said.

A party for Mr Voigt was held at the Loxton Uniting Church hall on Monday morning, when a number of guests spoke about the centenarian.

Mr Voigt was raised in Robertstown and served in the Australian Army during World War II, enlisting in 1942.

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STEPHANIE THOMPSON

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Soon after the war, he married Muriel (‘Mickey’) and the couple had four children.

The couple lived in Robertstown, then Adelaide and Wellington, before settling in Loxton.

Mr Voigt will be in the lead car of the procession for the Loxton Mardi Gras parade early next month.



Loxton man Les Voigt celebrated his 100th birthday with family and friends on Monday. He is pictured with his daughter Sharyn Ridgwell and sons Brad and Ken. PHOTO: supplied



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Well-known Moorook man Geoff Battams.

Moorook mourns a true town stalwart

THE Moorook community is mourning the death of town stalwart Geoff Battams.

A well-known figure in sporting (particularly tennis), social and business pursuits, Mr Battams passed away last Friday, aged 91.

Mr Battams was born in Moorook and remained a lifelong resident of the river town.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Norma, and the couple’s four children, plus grandchildren.

His funeral service will be held in Moorook next Wednesday, April 6.

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Disco fever silent not deadly

ELYSE ARMANINI

A RIVER Fringe event held in Waikerie and Loxton recently has proved successful among a variety of age groups, encouraging fun and exercise.

The silent disco event was organised by 16-year-old local musician Joey Haenan, in partnership with Riverland Youth Theatre (RYT) and the District Council of Loxton Waikerie.

"I was approached by Ella Winnall at the Loxton Waikerie council and she was asking me, 'We bought these silent disco headphones, what's something we can do?'" Joey said.

"I mentioned doing some walking tours through Waikerie and Loxton during the Fringe week, and she thought it was a great idea. Ella asked if there was someone I wanted to help out with it all and I said, 'Fleur at

RYT is amazing, maybe we should get her on board'."

The silent disco sessions were held over two weekends: Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13 in Waikerie, and Friday, March 18 to Sunday, March 20 in Loxton.

Each session had a different theme, including pop party, kids' dance party, river rock, and the funk and soul stroll, with attendees able to "pick the party" they wanted to be part of.

"Over the two weekends, we would have easily had over 200 people," Joey said.

"We had kid ones on Saturday mornings, and we had about 40 kids show up to each disco, so that was a really good turnout.

"People really enjoyed the Friday nights, which was the pop party theme. I did lots of '80s pop."

Music played from Joey's phone to all the headphone

users through Bluetooth, and each group walked about 3.5km around the towns.

"I dressed up in my purple lycra, people put on some headphones and everyone listened to the same music," Joey explained.

"We just went on a big walk. We went through the pub, through the bottle-o... we danced for people, we sang for people..."

"I can talk to people through my headset too, so I could tell people to do silly things and have a dance with me."

Joey said similar events in the future were possible, thanks to the popularity and success of the silent discos.

"I've already had a few schools asking me if I can come do their school discos through the year," he said.

"Sonya Altschwager at the council is pretty keen to get me at Loxton Lights Up doing a few discos, so I



Joey Haenan and Fleur Kilpatrick dancing with children at the Loxton kids' dance party silent disco, held at the Loxton Historical Village during River Fringe. PHOTOS: Glenda Malinowski

think there will be a lot more use of the headphones coming in the near future.

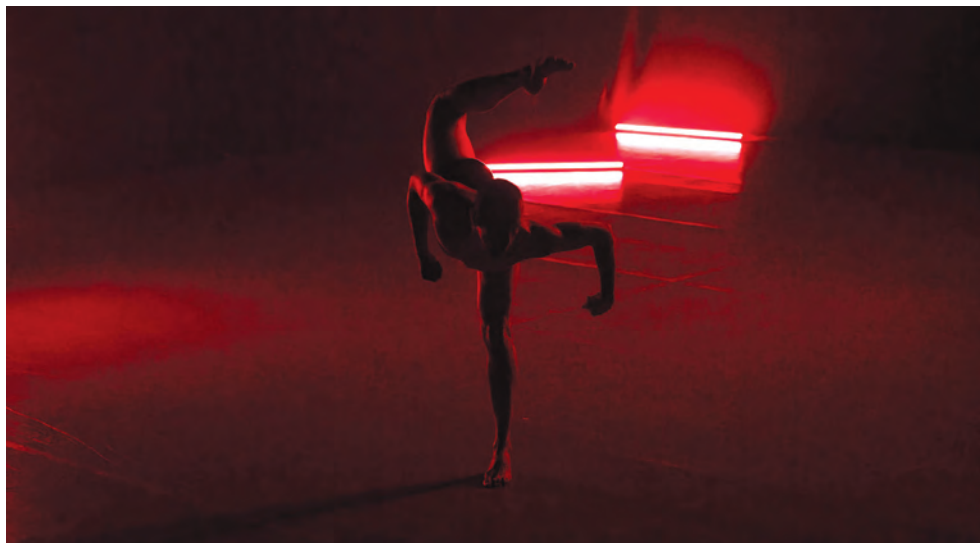
"I've had a few people, parents mainly, coming up and telling me that it was

amazing and they thought it was a really great way to get some exercise.

"Especially coming out of Covid, it's a great way to bring some joy to the Loxton

and Waikerie communities.

"To be able to all dance and celebrate together in what seems to be some dark times at the moment is a welcome distraction."



Contemporary dance choreographer Lewis Major will perform the shows *Unfolding* and *Satori* at the Chaffey Theatre on April 9. PHOTOS: supplied

'Acclaimed' double dance bill at the Chaffey

RIVERLAND performance enthusiasts are invited to see two upcoming shows from an "internationally renowned" contemporary dance artist.

Lewis Major Projects – in partnership with Country Arts SA – will perform the contemporary dance works *Unfolding* and *Satori* at the Chaffey Theatre, in Renmark, next month.

Choreographer Lewis Major said the shows com-

bined light, sound, and dance, to "reveal the poetic possibilities of universal rhythms and cycles in relation to the human form".

"These shows began as a company lockdown project during the global pandemic," Mr Major said.

"Determined to continue creating together, even from a distance, we carried on with the idea that maybe one day, the resulting pieces would get to meet an audience.

"To be sharing something together in such a time is an incredible privilege.

"I'm honoured to be able to show my community the work we have put into these two performances."

Audiences are advised the shows contain haze, smoke, strobe lighting, loud noises and simulated nudity.

The *Unfolding* and *Satori* shows will be performed at the Chaffey Theatre, on Saturday, April 9, from 7pm.

New SA water minister's multiple roles

DEPUTY premier Susan Close is the new SA Water Minister, in a role often crucial to Riverland irrigators.

After the election victory of SA Labor on March 19, Dr Close has become the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water.

However in her crowded portfolio, she is also

the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, as well as Defence and Space Industries.

South-East based MLC Clare Scriven is the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, while Independent MP Geoff Brock join the Cabinet

and holds the portfolios of Regional Roads, Local Government and Veterans Affairs.

SA Premier Peter Malinuskas said bringing Mr Brock into the ministry was a reflection of "his strong connection to regional South Australia and previous ministerial experience".

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Declared pest weed's Riverland summer love

WET summer weather across the Riverland provided the “perfect” growing conditions for a declared weed, according to the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board (MRLB).

Activities to control African lovegrass along roadsides and highway verges in the region continued throughout the summer months.

The pest grass germinates easily on road sides, where it benefits from water run-off, and threatens grazing properties as it prevents native grasses from growing.

MRLB district officer Jamie Courtney said African lovegrass infestations are continually monitored and inspected in the Riverland.

“The recent weather conditions have been perfect for this summer growing high seed-producing grass. We are now seeing a high increase in germination and growth,” Mr Courtney said.

“Dense unrecorded infestations have been found while undertaking control work along the Sturt Highway between Paringa and the Victorian Border, Ral Ral Avenue in Renmark, and along the Goyder



The Riverland's wet summer created nearly perfect conditions for increased infestations of the declared weed, African lovegrass. PHOTO: supplied

Highway near Barmera, Taylorville and the western side of Morgan.

“While weather conditions have been favourable for weed growth, they have been unfavourable for weed control, which means that suitable spot spraying days have been limited.

“Spraying with the right weather conditions is vital to increase the target weeds’ ability to absorb the herbicide. It also eliminates the risk of spray drift on non-target species.

“We would like to thank our community members who have already contacted

us requesting assistance. We have helped identify the declared weed and suggested suitable control options available for their circumstances.

“I would encourage landholders to get in touch with their local district officer so we can work together to monitor and control African lovegrass.”

Control site signs are installed in areas of high density to help people identify the pest grass.

Sightings of African lovegrass are to be reported to the Riverland district team in Berri by calling 8580 1800.



Students from Room 6 at Loxton North School helped pick the grapes from the Petch family's row of grapes, grown just for the school's Harvest Festival, on Friday morning. PHOTOS: supplied

Another grape Harvest Festival

ANOTHER year and another successful Harvest Festival event staged by Loxton North School.

The Harvest Festival is the school's major fundraiser for the year and helps to raise money for class sets of musical instruments.

Staff, students, families and members of the school community joined together in the Harvest Festival fun last Friday night.

Thanks to donations, raffle ticket purchases and supporters of the fundraising event, \$5100 has been raised so far.

“It was a great night seeing many families come along and support the fundraiser,” said principal Vanessa Wainwright.

“Students loved making family members stomp with them and the grape toss was popular as well.

“We thank our sponsors and school community for making the Grape Night Out a success.”



Winners of the Grape Stomp competition at the Loxton North School Harvest Festival were Jarrod Walker, Brock Walker, Chase Walker and Pauline Hennig.



STUDENT LEADERS: Renmark North Primary School student leaders for 2022. PHOTO: supplied



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Paringa beautification plan

RESIDENTS of a Riverland town have been encouraged to provide submissions for a major upcoming development plan.

Renmark Paringa Council recently opened a public survey regarding the Paringa Beautification Project.

A council spokesperson said locals would have numerous opportunities to provide suggestions and feedback for the project.

“The first stage of this project in 2021-22 includes Council consulting with businesses/community to review the Paringa main street area for upgrades, new additions/alterations to beautify the area,” the spokesperson said.

“Council has engaged the services of Jensen Plus who have extensive experience with our council and the community.

“They will collate these ideas and create a draft plan of the area. Further consultation will then be carried out enabling the community to view these draft plans and provide further feedback.

“This feedback will be taken to Council for final endorsement of the final plan.”

Implementation of the plan would then be carried out in 2022-23.

Locals interested in providing council with ideas for upgrades, or new additions and alterations to beautify the area, can complete a survey – to remain open until 5pm on April 7 – by visiting the website (www.surveymonkey.com/r/paringaproject).



Renmark Paringa Council is currently seeking community feedback regarding the Paringa Beautification Project.

Too cold for a dip, say locals

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

COLD temperatures at a Riverland swimming pool are dissuading locals from using the facility, despite the recent addition of heating equipment, it has been claimed.

A number of Renmark residents have recently raised concerns regarding use of the thermal heating blanket for the main pool at the Renmark Swimming Centre.

A local woman – speaking on the condition of anonymity – said low water temperatures in the pool had discouraged some from using the facility.

“There’s been a couple of times when it’s quite cool,” the woman said.

“It’s too cold for most of the recreational swimmers. I would usually take my grand-kids every weekend, but they didn’t want to go in for the last month.

“If you’re swimming flat out it’s okay, but otherwise it’s cold... I changed from swimming in the morning to the afternoon.”

Council installed the thermal blanket as part of the Renmark Swimming Centre project, which was supported by \$500,000 in funding through the federal government’s Community Sport Aus Program.

Renmark Paringa director of corporate and community services, Tim Pfeiffer, said weather conditions, and staff shortages caused by Covid-19 could impact use of the thermal blanket.

“The pool blanket is usually used on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and weekend nights,” Mr Pfeiffer said.

“Situations when the pool blanket is sometimes not used include: on very hot summer nights, as the water can become too warm for the swim clubs; when the wind is above 25km/h, in line with manufacturer specifications; (or) when there are staff shortages due to Covid-19, as a minimum of two staff are required to operate the equipment.”

Potential upgrade for tourist toilet

A WAIKERIE service club and a local council will combine funds – subject to ongoing costs – to upgrade a toilet stop for tourists.

At this month’s Loxton Waikerie council meeting, councillors agreed to allocate \$5000 to upgrade the toilet located at the Waikerie silo art, subject to a report on maintenance costs.

The Rotary Club of Waikerie will match council’s contribution.

Loxton Waikerie council will allocate the funds out of the remaining 2021/22 budget.



The toilets near the Waikerie silos could be upgraded, subject to a report on maintenance costs. Loxton Waikerie council and the Rotary Club of Waikerie agreed to fund the project. PHOTO: Christine Webster



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Fancy a chin wag during smoko?

RECENTLY I saw the word ‘nice’ written somewhere and it triggered an old primary school memory. Funny how these things stick. In grade 4 composition, Mrs Richardson outlawed the word; the flower wasn’t nice, it was beautiful, colourful or striking, but not nice. Neither was the BBQ nice, but it could be tasty or fun. Friends are nice, but they’re also kind and helpful.

It was less of a curriculum directive and more that Mrs Richardson was exasperated at ‘nice’ being sprinkled so frequently throughout her grade 4s’ story writing. ‘Got’ was similarly discouraged, Mrs Richardson demanding we sacrifice the ordinary in pursuit of greater creativity. Furthermore, no sentence could begin with ‘and’. And was a joining word, never a sentence starter. So, it got (apologies Mrs Richardson) me thinking about expressions and sayings of an earlier era that have since largely submerged. There’s conjecture about the fashion rule, ‘Red and green should never be seen’, or was it ‘blue and green’? I’m told it was the latter, but the former seems more right to me. Less gently, ‘rack off’ was directed at brothers who incessantly teased sisters and this needs no explanation. Admittedly, ‘gutless wonder’ was popular in our household also. And to ‘twist someone’s arm’ didn’t mean the Chinese burn variety, the more painful version being quite common in our teenage family too. I’m suggesting that words today have a harder edge, for example, sloshed or sozzled now contrast with hammered, smashed or wasted. Having said that, ‘good riddance to bad rubbish’ wasn’t the kindest thing to say about someone back then. Contrastingly, I remember ‘rip snorter’ or ‘humdinger’ having a certain uplifting effect. And there were others which harmlessly existed for no clear reason: I beg your pardon Mrs Harden, there’s a chicken in your garden! If something in Dad’s day had gone ‘hay-wire’, we’d sometimes hear a shout from the block of ‘hell’s bells!’ Similarly, it’s possible that ‘sing out if you need a hand’ originated in country life, where



neighbours would quickly respond to a loud call from a neighbour in need. Even after the first day of apricot cutting, our legs were ‘cactus’ and, unusually, we were ready to ‘hit the hay’ early. Despite its drudgery, every apricot season was a kid’s chance to earn a motza or heaps of dosh. For unknown reasons, animal themes were common. On wintry Saturdays, Aussie men, fit as a Mallee bull, played aerial ping pong. A wild goose chase had zero to do with geese, and neither was barking up the wrong tree about a confused canine. Spurred on by nosiness we’d have a gander, but then curiosity killed the cat. How come no one flies into aerodromes anymore? Even Renmark, which hosts only private planes and the Royal Flying Doctor Service, has an airport. And apart from reasons of Covid, very few of us go ‘abroad’ anymore. More commonly used in the theatre and stage musicals, why on earth would a song be a number? Either we’re lazy or friendly or both, but Aussies love abbreviating things like servo, vego, smoko, arvo, and of course Steve became Stevo and Sharon Shazza. Even though the term itself is bizarre, a chin wag always seemed a pleasurable thing, meanwhile, ‘you can say that again’ has been abbreviated to ‘absolutely’. Since the breathalyser has been instituted, ‘one for the road’ has disappeared which is surely a good thing. So, if you’ve given something a burl lately or talked on the blower, you’re probably a baby boomer. Hooroo. Seeya later chip potato. I’ve gotta choof off now.



Waikerie Hospital Guild's Norma Modistach (left) and Cheryl Mortimer have been preparing for the town's hospital and hospital guild's celebrations since March last year. PHOTO: Christine Webster

Hospital's big centenary celebrations postponed

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

CELEBRATIONS planned for April 1 to mark the centenaries of the Waikerie Hospital and the Waikerie Hospital Guild have been postponed until November due to uncertainty created by Covid-19.

The hospital officially turns 100 on April 1 and the guild celebrates its centenary on April 26.

Waikerie Hospital Guild secretary and treasurer Cheryl Mortimer said the Waikerie Hospital Guild, SA Health and the Waikerie District Health Advisory Council have decided Covid-19 restrictions would hamper the scale of the celebrations if they went ahead next month.

She said preparations for the celebrations began in March last year.

As part of the festivities, memorabilia and historical photographs of the hospital and guild members will be displayed.

Mrs Mortimer said she was researching the history of the hospital, its doctors, nurses and other staff.

The Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) in a statement said it has had discussions with the Waikerie



Hospital Guild to organise the Waikerie Health Service's 100th anniversary in late November.

It said planning was under way for the event, including involving community groups and service clubs as part of the celebration.

“We will keep the community updated once details are finalised,” the statement said.

The RMCLHN said a lot had changed since the Waikerie Health Service officially opened its doors on April 1, 1922.

But it said “the same warm, welcoming, and caring approach still shone through its staff”.

“In these unprecedented times, the work of our clinical staff has played a vital role in the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, and we thank them for their continued commitment and dedication

to protecting our community,” the RMCLHN said.

“We are proud of the important role that the Waikerie Health Service has and will continue to play in our local community and we look forward to the next generation continuing this commitment into the future.”

The Waikerie and Districts Health Advisory Council's presiding member Justin Loffler said it was important to have the centenary celebrations at a time when schools and local service clubs could be involved in the celebrations.

“It will ensure the community itself is able to have a look at displays to see what the hospital was like 100 years ago,” Mr Loffler said.

“This will enable them to recognise how things have changed over the years and we believe it has changed a lot for the better.”

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Business SA executive director David Slama (left), with Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson, and Renmark Paringa Network chair Clint Lewan, at the Riverland Strength and Success Summit, at the Renmark Club, last Thursday. PHOTO: supplied



Fresh round of airport funding

IMPROVING the operational capacity of Riverland airports is the goal of an ongoing federal government funding program. Applications opened last week for round 3 of the government's \$29m Regional Airports Program (RAP).

Barker MP Tony Pasin said the funding would be targeted at "vital safety and accessibility upgrades".

"This \$29 million funding injection will deliver vital upgrades and improvements to keep regional airports and aerodromes operating at their full capacity," Mr Pasin said.

"I am proud to see we are delivering more funding through an additional round to ensure our regions are better and more safely connected.

"I encourage airports and aerodromes in Barker to consider applying for funding that will make a real difference for their operations, their workers and our communities."

Under the program, grants of between \$20,000 and \$5m are available to cover up to 50 per cent of eligible project costs.

Upgrades to the Renmark Airport, and sealing of the Loxton airfield runway, were funded through the RAP in 2021.

Applications for round 3 of the RAP will remain open until May 17.

Further information regarding the initiative can be found by visiting the website (<https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/regional-airports-program-round-3>).

Helping businesses reach new summits

SUPPORTING the growth of Riverland small businesses was the aim of an information session staged by Business SA in Renmark last week.

The Renmark Paringa Network, in partnership with Business SA, last Thursday held the Riverland Strength and Success Summit at the Renmark Club.

Renmark Paringa Network chair Clint Lewan said services provided by Business SA had been tailored to help local businesses "grow and thrive".

"As the local chamber, we don't always have access to the resources that a statewide chamber like Business SA has, so we work closely with them to bring their knowledge and information to our

local businesses," Mr Lewan said.

"The Renmark Paringa Network encourages local business owners to participate in these events.

"It is an excellent opportunity for our friends at Business SA to come out to the region.

"It's much better to have these events here in the Riverland than travelling or attending a webinar.

"Our local businesses do not have to feel like they are on their own anymore. Renmark Paringa Network and Business SA have filled those gaps for the (small and medium-sized enterprise) business owner."

Renmark-based Riverfun Houseboats owner Kym Seymour said the session had inspired

attendees to "keep working to improve our business and utilise the toolkits Business SA and the Renmark Paringa Network have to offer".

Business SA executive director David Slama said business strategies to increase sales plus information regarding payroll taxes were aired at the session.

"We shared the latest in industrial relations requirements, including wages and contracts," Mr Slama said.

"Employers need to get this right so we're pleased that we can give them the latest information and make it easier to be compliant.

"We've also talked about increasing your sales using social

media, and improving the wellbeing of your workplace. These are important for business owners and employers.

"We advocate strongly for our regional members and the broader regional business community.

"One important issue is regional payroll tax and the impact this has, particularly on businesses close to the borders like those here in the Riverland.

"Being present is key to understanding local challenges and helps us determine which support tools and services are needed, here, now and in the future.

"That is why we came up to the Riverland and continue building our relationship with the RPN and with their local businesses."

Federal Budget cash for NBN upgrades

FUNDING targeted at "significantly" upgrading NBN wireless services is set to improve the operation of Riverland businesses.

The federal government last week announced \$480m would be invested into the NBN through the 2022-23 federal budget.

Barker MP Tony Pasin said improving NBN coverage in the Riverland was necessary to support the growth of local businesses.

"Having access to reliable and high-speed internet can really make a difference for people in our community, whether that be families connecting with loved ones,

to business owners selling goods here and overseas," Mr Pasin said.

"This upgrade will see NBN offer new higher speed services to the fixed wireless network to nearly 36,000 premises in Barker.

"With faster internet and more data available, these improved services will directly benefit premises already using NBN fixed wireless and satellite services, and particularly the regional businesses with active fixed wireless services in Barker, producing exten-

sive economic opportunities."

The upgrades would result in increases to network speed – from 6mbps to 50mbps – during heavy use times around 8pm.

Minister for Communications Paul Fletcher said the upgrade would "extend the coverage range from a tower, and allow higher speed services to everyone served by the tower".

Further information regarding the NBN network can be found by visiting the website (www.nbnco.com.au/learn/network-technology/fixed-wireless-explained).



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Among the acts as the recent Riverland Cabaret at Kingston-On-Murray were Waikerie Belly Dancers group members (from left) Connie Little, Sarah Tucker-Boehm, (instructor), Joanne Stockl, Shelby Strauss, Dawn Boehm, Sarah Kuchel and Jenni Searle. PHOTO: supplied

A gut feeling for belly good times

THEY come from a diverse range of backgrounds, united by their enjoyment of belly dancing.

The Waikerie Belly Dancers were a hit at the recent Riverland Cabaret, held in Kingston-On-Murray, and principal teacher Sarafina said it was a mutually beneficial experience.

“Having events like this to aspire to allows dancers to use skills learnt in classes and put them to use in the performance space, building confidence and professional performance etiquette,” she said.

“It was a great experience all round.”

Staged as part of the

River Fringe Festival, the Riverland Cabaret variety show featured nine acts, including musicians, school bands and a magician.

Event co-ordinator James Young’s previous exposure to the Waikerie group led to members performing at the Kingston-On-Murray Hall event.

Belly dancing has taken Sarafina, aka Sarah Tucker-Boehm, all over Australia to train and perform. When she met and fell in love with a Waikerie local she moved to the Riverland and naturally wanted to continue dancing – hence the opening of the belly dance school in Waikerie.

After a successful ‘come

and try day’ in 2015, classes have run weekly in Waikerie – during school terms – ever since.

“Some of the dancers featured in the Riverland Cabaret have been learning belly dance since the very beginning and others joined the troupe later,” Sarafina said. “Most have been dancing for a minimum of three years.

“The Waikerie Belly Dancers come from a diverse background of education, farming, government, retail and local Waikerie business owners.

“Classes are creative and fun and the students all practice hard for special events like the Fringe.”



Berri Lions Club president Bill Quirke (right) presented Riverland Foodbank’s Peter Smith with a \$4000 donation, which will be matched by Adelaide Airport Limited, to go towards a Riverland school breakfast program. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

Lions’ donation for school breakfasts

ELYSE ARMANINI

A RIVERLAND Lions club has donated \$4000 to a local organisation to help continue an important school program.

The Lions Club of Berri donated the funds to the Riverland Foodbank branch to go towards Foodbank’s Riverland school breakfast program.

“We give something every year, and it’s certainly a worthy cause,” said Berri Lions Club president Bill Quirke.

“This donation came from our activities account, which involves our sausage sizzles at Bunnings.

“Foodbank is one of our regular recipients. Last year we also donated \$4000.”

Riverland Foodbank’s Peter Smith said Foodbank spends about \$10,000 on food for the school breakfast program.

“This donation will go a long way towards program, and it’ll help to buy cereals, milks, bread and spreads,” Mr Smith said.

“We’re guided by the government and the health people with no added sugar and things like that... but in the Riverland here I sneak a bit of extra stuff in.

“Spaghetti, baked beans... spaghetti on toast, the kids love it.

“Some of the kids don’t eat all day.”

Adelaide Airport Limited has agreed to match the donation, dollar for dollar, bringing the total donation towards the Riverland program to \$8000.

My Aged Care specialist coming to Berri

FACE-to-face specialist aged care services are being rolled out across the country, with a specialist officer set to service the Riverland.

Through the federal government’s \$18.3 billion aged care reform package, the new personalised My Aged Care service aims to deliver a system built on respect, care and dignity for senior Australians.

Barker MP Tony Pasin said an aged care specialist officer would be available at the Berri Service Centre to provide senior Riverlanders and their families with personalised support to help navigate the aged care system.

“Planning for aged care can be overwhelming for many older Australians and their families,” Mr Pasin said.

“This is why I am so committed to ensuring that senior Australians in Barker have more choices and clear information when it comes to the services they access.

“Having face-to-face service allows seniors and their representatives to sit down with a service specialist and talk through their

aged care needs as well as other health and social services, all in the one location.

“This new initiative builds on the... My Aged Care website and call centre, making it easier for senior Australians and their loved ones to make decisions about care as they age.”

Berri is one of 33 service centres offering the aged care specialist service.

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MARDI GRAS LOXTON

Mardi Gras back for April event

A LONG-STANDING Loxton event will take place next week, bringing together locals to showcase the town's community spirit.

The 65th annual Loxton Mardi Gras Family Festival will be held at the Loxton number two oval on Saturday, April 9, following on from the event's success last year.

Loxton Mardi Gras chairperson Liz Dymmott encouraged all locals to get involved, with "something for everyone".

"We are hoping for good weather and good float numbers," she said.

The Loxton Mardi Gras was formed 64 years ago with the aim of fostering community growth and volunteering.

The event is usually held on the last weekend in February, but was rescheduled for Saturday, April 9, due to high Covid numbers throughout the state earlier in the year.

The parade will be officially opened by Loxton's current Citizen of the Year Denis Hann, while this year's flag bearers are Melvin Fielke and Allan Hucks, representing the Loxton Historical Village.

This year's event will again be held at the Loxton No. 2 oval – instead of the town's main street – to comply with Covid regulations.

Loxton Mardi Gras publicity and events co-ordinator Chris Sheahan

said while the event still requires a Covid management plan, it will not be a ticketed event.

"We still require compliance with Covid rules, so social distancing and hygiene," he said.

"We still require masks for indoor places and congested areas, so bring a mask just in case it's needed from a congestion point."

Mr Sheahan encouraged everyone to attend.

"There will be parking for seniors and disabled, with entry via Mill Corner," he said.

"We are going to have viewing from both sides of the main parade route on the grass, so there will be plenty of room for people to spread out."

Mr Sheahan said this year's Loxton Mardi Gras Family Festival would mark an important milestone.

"It's our 65th year and we have not cancelled once," he said.

The event will run from 9am to 3pm on Saturday, April 9, at the Loxton No. 2 oval and feature market and stalls, car displays, bands, Patsy the Clydesdale, the parade, the Nippy's Great Underarm Orange Bowling Competition and winner announcements.

For more information, or to enter a float, visit the website (loxtonmardigras.org.au).



FLOAT ENTRIES

THERE is still time to enter a float in this year's Loxton Mardi Gras Family Festival, with applications closing this Friday.

This year's theme is 'celebration' and float entries can win prizemoney in a number of categories.

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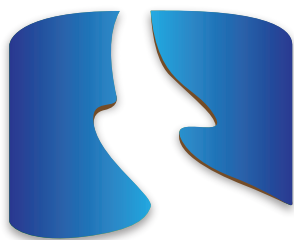
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3.00pm Mill Corner Historical Precinct

Unveiling of Railway Memorial

Sunday 10th

Mardi Gras Appreciation Service

8:30am At the Rotunda

- with Her Excellency
the Honourable Frances Adamson AC
Honouring WWII Nurses
Presentation to Flag Bearers



MARDI GRAS LOXTON

ADVERTISING FEATURE

Time to remember

THE upcoming Loxton Mardi Gras ‘appreciation service’ will have a special touch: recognising past, present and future nurses.

Loxton Mardi Gras’ Peter Magarey said the appreciation service would feature guest speakers, including local nurse Hollie Bullock and

SA Governor Frances Adamson.

“We will be talking more generally this year than a specific nurse,” he said.

This year marks 80 years since the Bangka Island massacre, with many of Loxton’s streets named after nurses who were executed in 1942.



As part of the appreciation service, Mardi Gras parade flag bearers Melvin Fielke and Allan Hucks will be recognised for their

community involvement. The service will be held in East Terrace, Loxton, near the rotunda, at 8.30am on Sunday, April 10.

SA Governor’s local connection

THIS year’s Loxton Mardi Gras Family Festival will have a special guest, with the SA Governor accepting an invitation to attend.

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC will attend this year’s event, following a connection to the township of Loxton.

Loxton and Loxton North settlement areas have north-south roads named in honour of military nurses who died during World War II and east-west roads named after Victoria Cross recipients since World War I.

One of Loxton’s roads, Cashmore Avenue, is named after Sister Patricia Cashmore, of whom Ms Adamson is a descendant.

Loxton historian and Loxton Mardi Gras parade co-ordinator Peter Magarey said that once he established the connection, he sent an invitation to Ms Adamson.

In addition to the parade on Saturday, Ms Adamson will attend and speak at the Loxton Mardi Gras ‘appreciation service’ on



Sunday, April 10.

“We thought we’d get the governor to talk about Patricia,” Mr Magarey said.

Sister Cashmore trained as a nurse in Port Pirie and then in midwifery in Melbourne, before returning to the Port Pirie Hospital as a staff nurse.

She left for England to further her studies when World War II broke out.

In 1944, she was en route to Ceylon (Sri Lanka) when the troopship was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine.

Sister Cashmore, 38, died at sea while in the service of her country.

Ambassadors are what Mardi Gras is all about

DESPITE Covid-19 restrictions and social changes, Loxton Mardi Gras ambassadors should be proud of their efforts, according to chairperson Liz Dymmott.

Many fundraising events for the 2022 Mardi Gras were rescheduled or altered to accommodate Covid restrictions, however Mrs Dymmott said she was still expecting a successful ambassador program, with significant funds raised.

“I think they have done reasonably well,” she said.

Loxton Mardi Gras publicity and events co-ordinator Chris Sheahan said following the parade, the ambassadors would be crowned and recognised for their fundraising efforts.

“It’s the culmination of a year-long program for the ambassadors,” Mr Sheahan said.

“I like to see the personal development of the ambassa-

dors through the year.

“There are two main aims of the ambassador program: to foster social skills and personal development, and to provide a public platform for organisations to raise funds for the community and themselves.

“Entrants develop a strong sense of self-worth and community poise and if it wasn’t for them, Mardi Gras wouldn’t be possible.”

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COMMUNITY AMBASSADOR ENTRANTS



KEIRA FIELDING
The Loxton Club

Keira said she is looking forward to being actively involved in the community. Keira is currently studying psychology and aimed to raise awareness about mental health through her role as an ambassador entrant.



ANGEL HOCKEY
Rotary Club of Loxton

Angel said she set herself a goal to get involved with a community organisation before she was approached by Rotary. "I remember growing up as a girl and watching the Mardi Gras parade and it being such a wonderful family day," she said.

SENIOR AMBASSADOR ENTRANTS



JO HENTSCHKE
Eternal Yoga and Wellness

Jo decided to become an ambassador entrant after falling in love with Loxton and its people. After relocating to Loxton a few years ago, Jo said she became an ambassador to give back to the community.



RAY EDWARDS
Mill Corner Historical Precinct

A desire to raise the profile of the Mill Corner Historical Precinct saw Ray Edwards step up as an ambassador entrant for the third year in a row. Ray said the Loxton Mardi Gras was one of the many things he loves about the town.

JUNIOR AMBASSADOR ENTRANTS



NATALIA BURGEMEISTER
Little Town Productions

Age: 12
Hobbies: Gymnastics, cooking and performing



ELIZA ALBRECHT
CS Accounting

Age: 11
Hobbies: Gymnastics, dancing, tennis, drawing and reading



ANWEN DALZELL
D&C Dalzell Avocados

Age: 11
Hobbies: Soccer, basketball, football, singing, playing piano and water skiing



HANNAH HAMPEL
Brown's Well Football Club

Age: 11
Hobbies: Reading, writing, thinking and swimming



AMELIA SEMMLER
Mammoth Fitness

Age: 11
Hobbies: Art, dance and netball

A nod to the Mallee's rail history

FOLLOWING the festivities of the Loxton Mardi Gras Family Festival on Saturday afternoon, a railway memorial will also be unveiled.

The memorial will be held at Mill Corner, Bookpurnong Terrace, Loxton, in close proximity to the festival.

Loxton Mardi Gras' Peter Magarey said the memorial would commemorate the role of rail in the northern Mallee.

"It's located right in the former rail yards of the Loxton railway station," he said.

The memorial will feature a number of dignitaries and begin at 3pm.

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Paringa WAB members Sandra Daniel and Marg Duggin, Yurgo secretary Beryl Clothier, WAB state president Narelle Scott, of Keppoch, with Sally Black and Heather Everingham, of Paringa. PHOTO: supplied

Paringa WAB celebrates with WAB Yurgo branch

HEATHER EVERINGHAM

THE foundation members of WAB (Women in Agriculture and Business) Yurgo branch always held their monthly meetings on nights with a full moon.

Narelle Scott, WAB state president, told this story recently at the branch’s 90th birthday and said “there was nothing ‘witchy’ about it”, but was common-sense when most had arrived by horse and sulky, and faced a safer journey home in moonlight instead of darkness.

Members of the Paringa branch of WAB travelled to Karoonda Institute to celebrate with the Yurgo branch at a luncheon, where many interesting stories were shared and past members recalled.

Yurgo branch was formed on March 7, 1932 when the movement’s early ethos was to support rural wives and mothers in isolation; to share skills, offer advice and make lifelong friendships.

After the formal acknowledgement of the Ngarkat people, speeches of welcome were made by president of the Yurgo branch Johanna Siecker, Karoonda East Murray Mayor Caroline Phillips (former general manager of Destination Riverland for five

years) and CEO of the District Council of Karoonda East Murray Martin Borgas.

Yurgo was established as a railway station after World War I on the Karoonda to Peebinga line which had opened in 1914.

A school built in 1926 was closed in 1946 and the post office, also opened in 1926, was closed in 1969. Today the Yurgo platform and railway remnants can be seen in the Karoonda Pioneer Park, while a rock with plaque denotes the former railway site. WAB members chose to retain the name and hold their meetings in nearby Karoonda.

Yurgo member Beryl Clothier, in her 90th year, joined WAB in 1970 and has lived in the Mallee her entire life, running the family farm with her son during the long illness of her husband. Beryl received a 50 year award – 36 years served as secretary to the present day – from state president Narelle and had the honour of cutting the birthday cake. Beryl missed just one meeting in 10 years, and that was due to a hospital stay.

The afternoon concluded with the state president informing guests that this year’s WAB state conference would be held in Mannum in August with the promise of interesting speakers and a trip on the ps Marion.



Waikerie and Districts Garden Club members Carole Walker, Karen Draper and Barb Hall at the club’s recent annual plant sale and mini fete, staged as part of the River Fringe event. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Gardening enthusiasm growing in Waikerie

By **CHRISTINE WEBSTER**
Riverland West reporter



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THE WAIKERIE and Districts Garden Club is optimistic about attracting new members this year following its annual plant sale and mini fete last week.

The event, held as part of the River Fringe festival in the region, drew a steady stream of people through the gates.

But Waikerie and Districts Garden Club publicity officer Carole Walker said last year, the plant sale and fete, which was held after a Covid-19 lockdown, attracted a bigger crowd.

She said being part of the River Fringe helped promote the garden club, but the event failed to draw the numbers organisers expected.

Mrs Walker said the hot weather and the fact the region had so many events on over the same fortnight probably contributed to the drop in attendance.

“We were on the tail end of the markets, the basketball was on the same day, and the school formal and election was on the day before,” she said.

Mrs Walker said the annual fete started three years ago to enable gardeners in the Waikerie district to sell plants they propagate to the public.

“A lot of the garden club members like to propagate plants and have all these nurseries at their homes,” she said.

Mrs Walker said to make it more of a fun occasion stall holders have been invited to join in on the plant sale.

The mini fete featured hand-crafted jewellery, soaps, candles, Easter eggs, home-made

cordials and condiments made from local produce, and freshly made biscuits, breads, and pies.

Ramco Primary School students also demonstrated their culinary skills at the event, which is a major fundraiser for their community.

Mrs Walker said the students prepared sandwiches, a salad featuring locally grown produce and “beautifully presented” cakes with coffee.

The event also resulted in the recruitment of three new members.

Mrs Walker is expecting more people to join the Waikerie and Districts Garden Club, which presently has about 35 members.

“We have a lot of new people moving into the town lately, I am staggered by how many people and new faces turn up,” she said.

“People are saying they are moving into the town, and they want to join something where they can meet people.”

The Waikerie and Districts Garden Club meets every second Tuesday of the month at the Ramco Hall at 7.30pm.

For more information contact Mrs Walker on 0417 414 102.

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‘Acknowledgment of country’ introduced by local council

AN ‘acknowledgement of country’ will now feature as a permanent part of every District Council of Loxton Waikerie ordinary meeting.

The now-common custom acknowledges the traditional indigenous owners of a piece of land, and is usually delivered as part of a welcome and housekeeping at meetings and events. Loxton Waikerie council has introduced an acknowledgement of country at the beginning of each monthly meeting, and also on the council’s website.

The motion to introduce the custom was moved by councillor Tracy Altschwager and seconded by councillor Trevor Norton at this month’s meeting, and subsequently carried.

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HIGH TEA: The Pines Historic House and Garden Loxton hosted a high tea event recently in aid of Loxton 2022 Mardi Gras senior ambassador Jo Hentschke. Five Loxton Mardi Gras junior ambassadors were officially introduced to the visitors at this event. Pictured enjoying the event were Michelle Armfield, Carolyn Fielke and Sue Skinner. PHOTO: Nola Schulz



VOCATIONAL AWARDS: Around 200 people enjoyed the Riverland and Mallee Vocational Awards at the Berri Hotel last Friday, including Norma Allen (left), Sally Vasey, both of Loxton, Helen Markeas, of Renmark, and Marian Woodberry, of Loxton. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

WEEKLY
Every Sunday at 2pm – Guided tours of the Pines Historic House, 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. 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
Palms Bingo Club hold a bingo session every Tuesday at the Monash Club. Doors open at 11am and eyes down at 11.30am. Lunch and drinks available from the bar. Some Covid restrictions still apply.

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 con-

tact 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, 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.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16
Hop into Loxton from 10am to 11.30am for a free Easter Saturday picnic. The Loxton Chamber of Commerce invite you to enjoy an egg-cellent morning with kids’ craft activities, face painting and an egg hunt ‘with a difference’. Free hot cross buns, Riverland freshly squeezed orange juice and Easter eggs from the Easter Bunny. Loxton’s vibrant shopping precinct will be open from 9am to 12.30pm.

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Ann Noack and Margaret Howie at the The Pines Historic House and Garden Loxton's high tea event, held recently in aid of Loxton 2022 Mardi Gras senior ambassador Jo Hentschke.



"Boy helpers" at The Pines high tea Michael Hentschke and George Spanos.

A little more on the history of the Golden Guitars

By **ROBYN MCINTOSH**
MY KIND OF COUNTRY

THE following is about four Golden Guitar pioneers who each played an important role in starting the awards that are celebrating 50 years in 2022.

The Australasian Country Music Awards – as they were known as in 1973, now known as the Golden Guitar Awards – event was the original core event around which Radio 2TM built the festival in later years.

The four pioneers were:
As **Mr Hoedown** on Radio 2TM, **John Minson** was the voice of Country Music Capital until he retired in 1988. In 1973 he played a key role in planning and promoting those first Awards. John and wife **Ann** later relocated to Coffs Harbour, but made a nostalgic trip back to Tamworth for the 30th anniversary event, with Ann having recently moved back to Tamworth to be closer to family.

Kevin Knapp, a broadcaster and promotions man, ended up as the compere of the event and he stayed in that role. He hosted the presentations until 1988. Kevin lived in Tamworth, retaining an involvement in the Australian Country Music Foundation for many years.

As group general manager of the New England Network in the 1970s, **Warwick Higginbotham** gave the go ahead for the station's ambitious country music projects and maintained a hands-on involvement with the Awards for many years.

As station manager of 2TM and chief executive of the Awards in 1973, **Max Ellis** was the organising and marketing mind and driving force behind the event.

Max left 2TM in 1984 to set up his own marketing consultancy, but took over the organising of the Awards again in 1992 as secretary of the newly formed Country Music Association of Australia. He remained heavily involved as CEO, Awards chief executive and vice president of that organisation until 2003. (Unfortunately Max is the only one of the four still alive, and is still involved in the festival to this day.)

Working with 2TM staff members, including radio announcers **George Arklay**, **Bill Gleeson**, **Bob Lipman**, **Del Foote**, **Eric Scott** and junior announcer **Mark Collier**, the above quartet spear-headed the foundation of an event which is now firmly ingrained in the Australian consciousness.

The Golden Guitar Awards grew out of a push by Radio 2TM to establish Tamworth as Australia's country music capital in the late 1960s. This followed the success of *Hoedown* on 2TM and a number of live shows promoted by the station in the now famous Tamworth Town Hall.

Today's country music festival was originally developed over many years by 2TM (through its subsidiary BAL Marketing) around the highly successful Australasian Country Music Awards.

As with most things, the awards venue has changed over the years. Venues have included the historic Tamworth Town Hall, a big top on the No 2 Oval, the Jakab Ambulance works, Tamworth Workers Club, Tamworth High School, Calrossy Hall, the Show Ground Rodeo Arena, and then finally into the newly constructed TREC (Tamworth Regional Entertainment Centre), now known as TRECC (Tamworth Regional Entertainment and Conference Centre).

After a campaign of 20-plus years, the move into the TREC happened in 1998.

I have only been to shows in six of those venues, but have attended the Golden Guitar Awards at four of them: the high school, Calrossy, Rodeo



Four of those involved in the "birth" of the Golden Guitar Awards were Max Ellis, Eric Scott, Kevin Knapp and John Minson. The quartet are pictured with the statue of Smoky Dawson on Peel Street, Tamworth, in 2012. PHOTO: Robyn McIntosh

Arena, and the TREC/TRECC.
Even though the powers that be in the entertainment industry of the day thought the awards should be staged in Sydney, these four pioneers of the festival stood their ground.

I am eagerly awaiting my copy of the **Max Ellis**-compiled book, *Stars, Hurrays and Golden Guitars 2.0: The Story of Country Music Capital*, which is an updated version of the original 2012 publication.

You can order this book through the Tamworth Country Music Festival website, or if going to the April festival it will be available at Collins Book Store, the Australian Country Music Hall of Fame, and the Tamworth Regional Gallery.

While I'm on the subject of books, don't forget that the **Smoky Dawson** book, *Smoky Dawson: A Life*, updated edition, with the extra info added by Glenn T. If you go into Google and type in "Smoky Dawson: A Life" you will find where it can be purchased, either online or in a book store near you.

the quiz



1. What falling fruit supposedly inspired Isaac Newton to write the laws of gravity?

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2. Which two South American countries share the Iguazu Falls?

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3. London's Trafalgar Square lions, installed in 1868, are crafted from bronze which has been re-claimed from melted cannons. True or False?

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4. Who wrote the best seller A Tale of Two Cities?

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5. Who was the last Queen of Egypt?

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6. Who wrote the Da Vinci Code?

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7. Who became South Australia's 47th Premier after the state election on March 19th 2022?

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8. With over of 37 million residents, what is the most populous city in the world?

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9. Where was Australian bushranger Ned Kelly's last stand?

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10. If you were eating du Barry, what would you be eating?

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11. Globe and Jerusalem are types of what?

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12. Which country invented the Skype software?

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13. What year did Cyclone Tracy hit Darwin?

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14. In which country does the Blue Nile start?

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15. What names were given to the three escape tunnels in the movie, The Great Escape?

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16. In which country is the Nobel Peace Prize awarded?

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17. Who were the Prime Ministers of Australia and the United Kingdom for most of WWII?

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18. Which plant has flowers but no proper leaves?

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19. How many bones are in the adult human body?

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20. What country owns and runs the Bermuda Islands?

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BONUS QUESTION:

In which American state was singer Madonna born? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Mid Murray's new tourism manager



Mid Murray Council's new tourism manager Andy Glen has decades of experience in tourism. PHOTO: supplied

MID Murray Council's newly appointed tourism manager will focus on continued growth for the district's tourism industry.

Andy Glen has decades of experience in the tourism industry and is looking forward to working with council and operators to boost the Mid Murray region's visitor economy.

"This is an area full of untapped potential," Mr Glen said.

"I can't talk enough about the natural landscapes, cliffs, wildlife, and of course the mighty Murray River.

"There are also attractions like the River Murray

International Dark Sky Reserve, the incredibly special cultural heritage sites of our traditional custodians in the Ngaut Ngaut Conservation Park, and our unique historic riverboats."

Mr Glen is Mount Barker District Council's former tourism development manager. He was responsible for tourism marketing and visitor servicing through the Hahndorf Visitor Centre, plus community and major events within the Mount Barker area.

Mid Murray Council CEO Ben Scales said Mr Glen would be a "valuable asset" to council, complementing the existing tourism team.



WAIKERIE HIGH SCHOOL FORMAL: Aaliyah Loffler and Riley Taylor at Waikerie High School's formal earlier this month. More formal photos will feature in *The Murray Pioneer* next week. PHOTO: Connie Little

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ACTIVITIES have relaxed a little, but there is always a list of things to do in regional areas. We are enjoying perfect autumn weather, which is great for getting busy out in the garden or taking lunch down to the river.

Warrawee residents welcomed members of the Waikerie Men's Shed to a morning tea last week in appreciation for the support that they give to the residents at Christmas time.

A most successful Music on the Deck event was held on Thursday evening, when those who enjoy country music were there to see and enjoy the talented Felicity Urquhart and Josh Cunningham.

We congratulate Robert Lochert, who was inducted into the Citrus Hall of Fame at the recent Citrus Australia Awards. Robert was recognised for his success to the citrus industry. We give thanks to the Lochert families who continued and expanded their business in the citrus industry that their pioneering families began all those years ago. The Lochert family business has created workplaces for so many locals who were appreciative of the industry and the management of the successful company.

Registrations have opened this week for the forthcoming annual Waikerie Show 'N' Shine, which has a new venue this year. The event will be held at the Waikerie Community Sports Centre's playing fields on Saturday, April 30. Please enter the venue via Smith Drive, Waikerie. If you are planning to enter your popular car or motorbike, instructions for registrations – and registration forms – can be found at the website (riverlandwestchamber.com.au). Send them to waikerieshownshine@gmail.com or PO Box 753 Waikerie SA 5330. For further details phone Sandra Schober (0418 886 910). Activities start 9am and close at 2pm. Organisers are hoping to exceed last year's record entries of 158 cars and 19 motorbikes, so get your nominations in early.

All the action will be at Waikerie that weekend from the Friday night when the Rock N Roll Festival begins. The Waikerie Rotary Club

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Markets are on the Saturday, along with the Show 'N' Shine spectacular, then other events follow on the Sunday.

This weekend we say farewell to daylight saving on Saturday night until October 2. Having that extra hour in bed on Sunday will be a little luxury, unless your dog barks for you to take it for a walk.

People might already be thinking about the Easter long weekend. You may be having friends here for Easter or you may be packing up the camping gear for an outdoor camp at the river. Whatever you are planning, please make it safe for you and your loved ones.

Waikerie friends of Greg Blazinic were pleased to catch up with him while he was at home visiting his family for a couple of weeks. Greg lives and works on the other side of the world as a captain of a luxury cruising yacht and hasn't been home since the Covid-19 pandemic began. So there was great excitement at the Waikerie Hotel on Friday night when Greg's name was called out during the members' draw as he was there enjoying a night with friends.

Waikerie RSL members welcome you and your friends to their clubrooms on Thursday nights for a fellowship and fun night playing bingo. For further information phone the RSL (8541 3988).

Thought for the week: You never know how strong you are, until being strong is your only choice.

- Bob Marley



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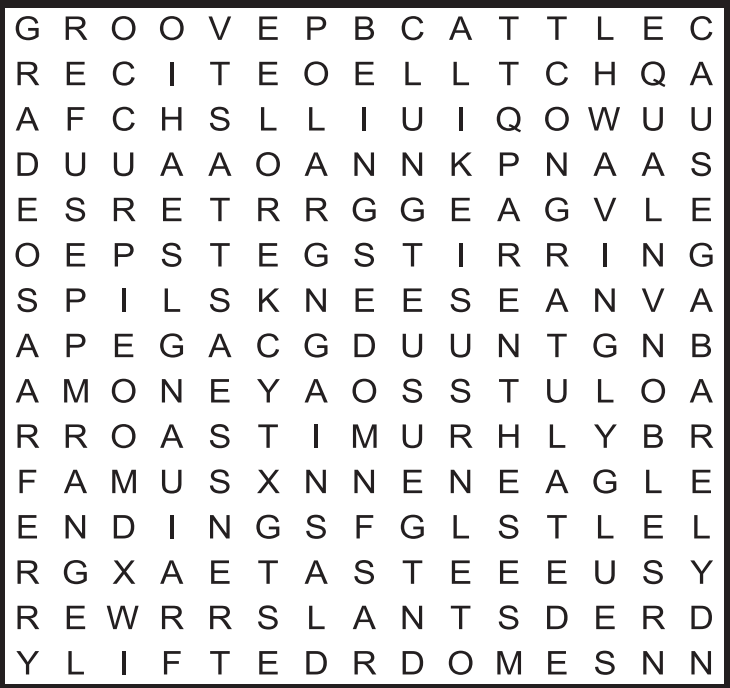
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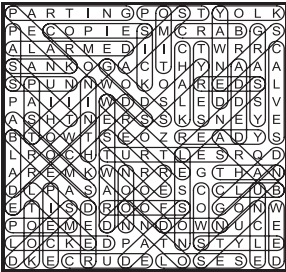
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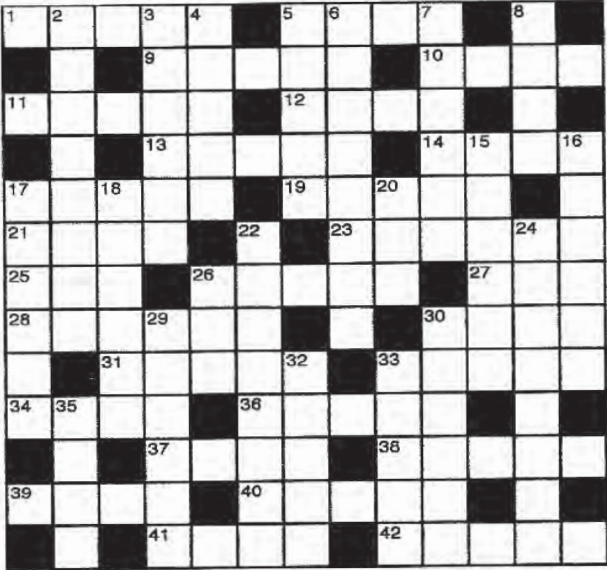
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Last Week's Solution

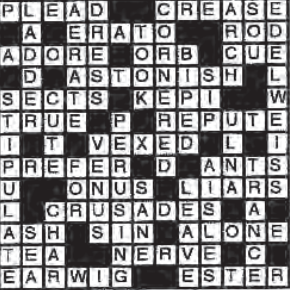


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24. Calamitous
26. Long in existence
29. Reserved
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



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
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March 2022 Horoscopes: week 5

ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)

Don't let events at work spill over into your domestic life. You have enough to contend with as it is. **Romance.** You will be amazed how sympathetic your partner is when you really need them. An incident around the middle of the week will put recent difficulties in your relationship into perspective.

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)

A dream will help you to understand a close friend a lot better. You will be seeing much more of each other over the coming weeks. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Venus will help to give your love-life a boost. Don't be shy about grabbing an opportunity which may not come again.

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)

A challenging aspect to Neptune later in the week could make you a little vague. This won't be the best time for making decisions, especially if they involve large sums of money. Be careful not to let another person lead you astray. **Romance.** This will be a very good time for romance.

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)

A favourable aspect to Jupiter will give you the confidence you need to deal with a difficult situation at work. Follow through with your plans, even if you find that other people are against you at first. **Romance.** Don't let stress from work affect your love-life.

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)

A risky venture will pay off, so long as you stop at the right point. Don't carry on throwing good money after bad. **Romance.** An emotional outburst may affect you more deeply than you realise at the time. You need to make your feelings known, but you should do your best to calm down first.

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)

Time spent away from work will help you to catch your breath and relax. Don't feel guilty about taking it easy. **Romance.** Be careful not to be too passive. You have a number of issues to sort out and need to be very proactive about finding solutions.

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)

A difficult aspect to Saturn could leave you quite negative: you must do your best to see things in a better balance. Be careful that you don't dismiss a worthwhile opportunity. **Romance.** A chat with your partner will help you to understand a recent problem in your relationship more clearly.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)

A relative who admires you greatly will be able to support you during a difficult time. This person understands your strengths and also your weaknesses. **Romance.** A meeting which has seemed for a long time to be beyond your reach will suddenly become possible. A get-together won't disappoint you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)

You can't go back in time and avoid a mistake which has already happened. Just make sure that the same thing doesn't happen again. **Romance.** Don't make premature judgements about a new admirer. This person's appearance may not be the best thing about them.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)

Your co-workers will appreciate your honesty in dealing with an issue which has created tension between you in the past. You need to look at this in a new light. **Romance.** A person whom you have recently met may have a much stronger emotional hold on you than you realise.

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)

A favourable aspect to Neptune will help your powers of intuition. You will need to trust to your gut instincts in order to solve a recent mystery. **Romance.** Your love-life will be a little quieter than usual over the next few days. A phone call later in the week will help to get things moving.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)

An acquaintance may not be quite as straightforward as you have been lead to believe. A chance remark will help you to see through their deception. **Romance.** Don't allow financial issues to come between you and your partner. An expensive get-together later in the week will not be a waste of money.

SUDOKU No.370

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

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LOOKING BACK AT 130 YEARS

SOCIAL PHOTOS

CELEBRATING 130 YEARS 1892-2022



1987

RECORD WINNER: Singer John Williamson (right) is presented with two gold records at the recent Tamworth Country Music Festival by Barmera country and western personality Rocky Page (centre), while John's brother poses as Ned Kelly. John was also named male vocalist of the year at the awards.



2007

GIANT COD: Emma Kruger (left) and Krisoula Nikolis, both of Renmark, with a 1.3 metre Murray cod caught locally last week. The pair said it was "fantastic to catch and release such a beautiful creature and great to see they really do exist around here."

Happy Onion Peelers



1980

Eyes must become accustomed to onion peeling as only the photographer's eyes were watering when this photo was taken on the onion-peeling line at the Riverland Fruit Products cannery recently. Onions are used extensively at the cannery for flavouring as well as pickling. Frank Kaponits, of Renmark, is about to tip some onions onto the peeling line. At work are Margaret Griffiths (centre), of Berri, and Val Aracic, of Paringa.



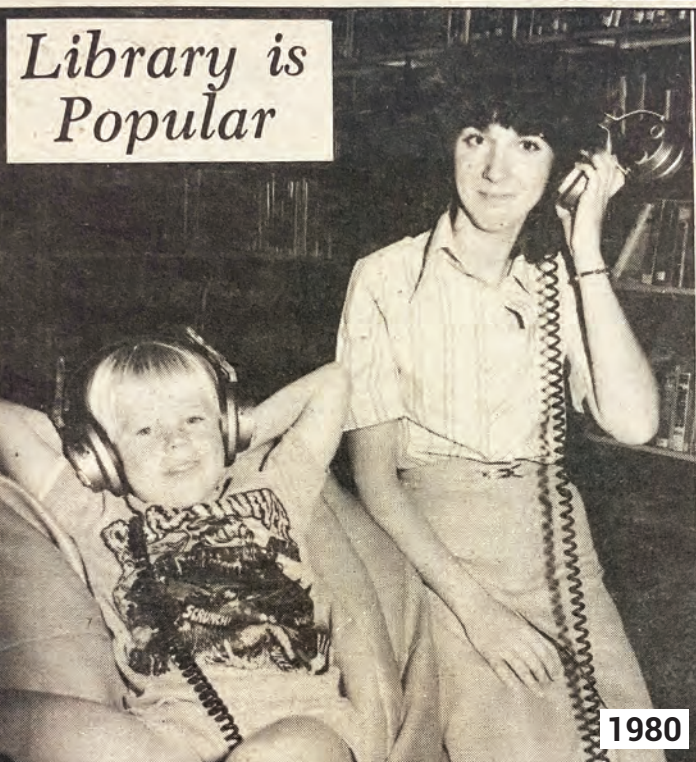
1981

Tiny Amanda Brand, of Berri, happily bounds along in a sack race, held at Our Lady of the River school's recent sports day.



2000

Cynthia Wilson, left, with her children, Stacey, 7, and Travis, 6, and Loretta Newchurch, all of Berri, at the Riverland Rodeo on Saturday.



1980

The Berri Library which opened in June, now has more than 2000 subscribers. Librarian Jenny MacLeod said many visitors to the town come in to have a look and most of their comments were favourable. She said the audio visual facilities were especially popular, and children could always been seen curled in bean bags throughout the library, quietly

listening to tapes. Over 9000 items are house in the library and a cassette rack and paperback stand were among the most recent purchases, aimed at taking some of the weight off the shelves.

RIGHT: Greg Bates, 6, of Berri, listens to a collection of stories with librarian Jenny Macleod at the Berri Library last week.

Motorbike rides at Kindy Fete

Among the entertainment provided for children at the Renmark Kindergarten Fete on Saturday was motorbike rides around the local primary school oval. All aboard and ready to commence a circuit are (from left) Linley Lott, 10, with Mr Trevor Schulz, Angela Graham, 6, with Mr Phillip Warnock, and Susan Rosenthal, 8, with Mr Don Glen. The motorbikes on the left and right are special wide-tyred three-wheel vehicles for travelling over wet or sandy soil. Saturday's fete raised a record of \$650.



1987



1984

Relaxing in the sunshine between events at the Waikerie Lions Club's seventh annual ski-a-thon on Saturday were (from left) Andrew Lehmann, 11, and Jude Rogers, both of Waikerie, Murray Bridge visitors John and Robyn Johnson, and Julie Whitbread, of Waikerie.

U3A activities galore

A DOZEN or more U3A activities are currently being shared by U3A Riverland group members.

All tutors offer their time for free and members can join in as many groups as they would like, for an annual membership fee of \$30.

"We don't take ourselves too seriously, and tutors don't need to have teaching skills to share their craft," said Riverland U3A committee member Ute Young.

"Because we are the retired generation and are often on the move, there is no pressure to attend all classes in your chosen activity."

Ms Young said the most popular groups are art classes (for

beginners to advanced), creative writing, tai chi, card making, book club, knitting, yoga, card games and languages (German).

"As new people join and want to share their skills other subjects will emerge," she said.

"Classes are mostly held in our clubrooms in Berri, in the old RSL building. Some are at private homes or other venues. Some classes run all year or a term, or less.

"If you have a skill you'd like to share or would like to join us, contact Shirley Sims (0413 189 377)."

For all current activities check the website (www.u3ariverland.org) or collect a schedule from any town library.



Riverland U3A founding member Ellen Traeger (right), of Renmark, recently held a yeast baking class for fellow members (from left) Peggy Inch, Anita Nikodem, Di and Geoff Marsh, and Bev Hartigan. PHOTO: Ute Young

Murray Pioneer BOATS AND BEDZZZ HOUSEBOAT STAYS

2022 AFL FOOTY TIPPERS DRAW

Round 3

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Entries close Thursday, March 31 at 4pm

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Murray Pioneer (Renmark)

ROUND 2 RESULTS

Melissa Greer.....(7)13	Ron Harvey.....(5)12
Baker Boys.....(6)13	Cohen Battams.....(5)12
Butch Liebich.....(6)13	Jim Baldock.....(5)12
Noah Warner.....(5)13	Jean Marks.....(4)12
Thiel Boys.....(5)13	Greg Richards.....(7)11
Elise Schaefer.....(5)13	Yvonne Scutter.....(7)11
Bob Taylor.....(7)12	Craig Tranter.....(7)11
Frank Drougas.....(6)12	Curtiss Lynch.....(6)11
Chris Schutz.....(6)12	Nancy Battams.....(6)11
Jasmine Harris.....(6)12	Deb Griffiths.....(6)11

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Melissa Greer and Baker Boys

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Rosie Harrington

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SCHOOL SERVICES LIBRARIAN

Berri Library is a joint-use library service that incorporates the Public Library and Berri Regional Secondary College (BRSC).

Do you have a passion beyond books?

The School Services Librarian is a fantastic opportunity for you to demonstrate your ability to proactively seek and develop new innovative ways to provide resources, services and facilities to support teaching, learning and research to BRSC staff and students. As part of your role, you will also work closely with the community to provide Council's public library services that boosts our communities' health, prosperity, connectedness and belonging.

You will bring to this role your passion and excellence in exceptional customer service. To be successful you will need to possess an appropriate degree or graduate diploma and knowledge of a range of secondary school library operations. A working with children check will also be required.

The position is offered as a part time (FTE0.7) contract up until 30 September 2022.

To apply visit www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au

Applications close Monday 4 April 2022, 12noon

Enquiries can be made to Peter Ison, Library Manager on 08 8595 2666.

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APPRENTICE IN IRRIGATION TECHNOLOGY

Loxton Irrigation Centre is currently seeking a full-time person to complete a 3 year Apprenticeship in Irrigation technology at our store at Loxton.

Loxton Irrigation strives to be the Riverland's most innovative irrigation solutions provider. We do that by listening to our customers, providing value, being responsive and respecting our relationships.

The applicant will be required and supported to complete a Certificate 3 in Irrigation Technology, a nationally recognized trade level certificate as part of a 3 year program.

Loxton Irrigation Centre is an equal opportunity employer and provides a supportive team environment that is innovative, respects the customer and are responsive.

The successful applicant will have a good work ethic and be a team player with a focus on customer service.

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide friendly and efficient counter service.
- Assist customers to problem solving technical issues.
- Assist with irrigation system maintenance and servicing.
- Assist with individual irrigation design.
- Work well within a strong team culture.

To find out more information, please email Richard James at rjames@loxtonirrigation.com.au or call 0418 808 873.

To apply please email your resume with contactable references to bernie@loxtonirrigation.com.au

Application will be accepted until COB, Friday 8th April.

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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:
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by 7 April 2022


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MWK Electrical is a family owned and operated business located in BERRI, SA.

We are seeking a full time and or part time qualified electrician to join our team in providing reliable, friendly and prompt service to our clients.

Tasks and responsibilities will include domestic and commercial projects of all sizes, maintenance works, the ability to supervise and train apprentices, to carry out fault finding and problem solving. You must have the ability to work unsupervised or as a team.

The successful applicant will have a Certificate III in Electrotechnology, White Card, drivers licence. Be willing to gain National Police Check, Working with aged care and children check and willing to work after hours (if required).

MWK Electrical will offer uniform, vehicle and ongoing training.

3rd or 4th year apprentices will also be considered and are welcome to apply.

If this position is of interest to you please forward your CV to Mark at mwkelectrical@live.com.au.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE
Friday 15th April, 2022 at 5pm.**

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MECHANIC

Fantastic opportunity for a Mechanic or mechanically minded person to become part of our automotive dismantling team in our fun and dynamic work environment. Being part of this family owned and run small business can offer you above award rates, use of the workshop and facilities for your own projects and flexible working hours. No weekend work is required so you can spend time with your family or go fishing if your family annoy you!

Your daily roles will be varied and exciting, you will need to show a clear ability to problem solve. Daily tasks include removing and replacing of major mechanical parts, diagnosing faults in vehicles, inspecting parts for condition before dismantling, using tools and equipment in safe manner, use scan equipment to determine issues, preparing and packing parts ready for freight Australia wide and internationally. Telling Darran his jokes are funny, and he is cool isn't a requirement but probably an advantage!

To be considered for this role, mechanical qualifications are an advantage however aren't necessary. You must have professional experience working mechanically with vehicles including using scan tools and diagnosing faults. You will be able to show clear and calm problem solving under pressure, communicate information clearly, be able to prioritize jobs and coordinate with the team.

To apply for this role or for more information, please email your expression of interest and resume to sales@rmaw.com.au

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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:

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Applications close 3/04/2022

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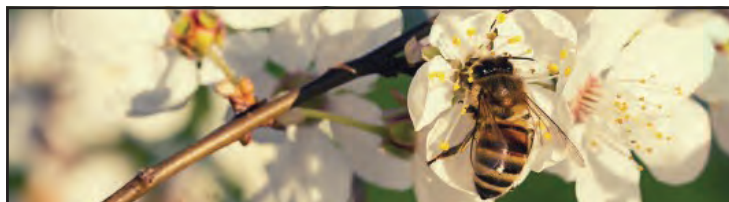
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SELECT HARVESTS LIMITED IRRIGATION 2IC

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



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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



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 by date 4th April 22

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Riverview
Lutheran Rest Home Inc

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 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

- Previous experience in an aged care setting

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 and close on Sunday, April 3rd, 5pm.

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18th
BIRTHDAY



WADE, Evan.

Happy 18th birthday, Evan!

We are so proud of you and wish you all the best.

Love always
Dad, Mum and Kimberley. xxx

80th
BIRTHDAY



MILICH, Blue.

Congratulations on your 80th birthday on April 3, 2022.

Enjoy your celebrations.

Love and best wishes,
Noeleen, Tanya, Tom, Emerson and Kye.
Scott, Lisa, Ava and Darcy.

RETURN
THANKS

BROWN.

The Brown family wish to sincerely thank the staff at Berri Hospital and Renmark Hospital for their genuine care shown to Phillip Ronald Brown.

Forever in our hearts.

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TRENWITH, Roger and Judy.

Happy 60th wedding 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

BATTAMS, Geoffrey.

Passed away suddenly at Riverland General Hospital surrounded by his family on Friday, March 25, 2022.

Aged 91 years.

Dearly loved husband and friend of Norma for 61 years.

Adored father of Craig, Nicole, Nigel and Danielle.

Loved father-in-law of Sue, Tom, Kerry and Will.

Adored pa of Joshua, Ainslie, Bella and Cohen.

Special pa-in-law of Rex.

His wife, children and grandchildren were the pride and joy of his life.

Geoff's kind spirit, passion for sport and zest for life will be sorely missed.

BATTAMS, Geoffrey.

Dear brother-in-law and friend of Robert and Barbara (deceased).

Loved uncle of Debbie, Sharan (deceased), Tracey, Jake, and families.

Fond memories of many great times shared.

DEATHS

BATTAMS, Geoff.

Much-loved brother and brother-in-law of Ernie (deceased) and Nancy.

Uncle to Kathy, Annie, Wes, and families.

Fondly remembered.

BROWN, Phillip Ronald.

Passed away peacefully at the Renmark Hospital on Monday, March 21, 2022.

Aged 87 years.

Beloved husband of Julie.

Loved father of Phillip and Robert.

Father-in-law to Nurul.

A much-loved grandfather of Phillip Jnr., Kyle, Lachlan, Ethan and Mikayla.

Rest in peace.

Phillip's private family funeral was held on Friday, March 25, 2022 as per his wishes.

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CARTER, Valerie Lorraine (nee Robinson).

Passed away March 27, 2022.

Aged 86 years.

Dearly loved mother to Raelene, Barbara, Ken, Judy, Peter (deceased), and their partners.

Adored nanna of 13 grandchildren.

Great-nanna of 26 and great-great-nanna of 1.

Now wrapped in the arms of the angels, never to be forgotten.

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DEATHS

CARTER, Valerie Lorraine.

Passed away at the Waikerie Hospital, March 27, 2022.

Dearly loved and loving sister of Shirley.

Sister-in-law of Harold (deceased).

Loved and loving aunty of Geoffrey and Sandra, Sherrilyne and Kingsley, Vicki and Glen, Raymond and Michelle, and families.

God saw that you were weary, The hill too steep to climb. He took you in His loving arms, And whispered come to me and I will give you eternal rest.

We laughed together, We cried together.

Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day.

If love was a staircase and memories a lane, I would walk to Heaven and bring you home.

Rest easy, Val, with our parents and sisters.

FUNDAK, Craig Steven.

Aged 55 years, as a result of a rock climbing accident.

Treasured son of JJ (deceased) and Margo.

Loving brother to Karen.

Devoted dad to Taj and Jack, Ben and James.

Adored uncle to Marnie, Chloe and Hayley.

Reunited and having a beer and chat with JJ. xxx

Her 'Craigyboy' will be forever missed by Mum. xxx

Craig, I don't know what I'm going to do without you – my heart is broken.

Missing you so much, it hurts. Love sis. xxx

We will remember our dad for his sense of adventure. Sir Ernest Shackleton, the great Antarctic explorer, conjures Dad perfectly with "I believe it is in our nature to explore, to reach out into the unknown."

We treasure our adventures with Dad. He is dearly missed. Love Jack and Taj. xxx

We'll miss your banter, Uncle Craig. Hope you're making everyone laugh up there, just as you did with us.

No-one had a backhand slice like you 😊.

Love Marnie, Chloe and Hayley. xxx

DEATHS

FUNDAK, Captain Craig.

Treasured nephew of Robyn, loved cousin of Danny and Lisa.

So adventurous, Craig achieved all that he set before himself.

A great dad to his sons Taj and Jack, doting son to his mother and most loving brother to Karen and her girls.

There is a time for everything.

Our grief is a statement of how much Craig was loved and part of our lives for 55 years.

From the Raeder family.

FUNDAK, Craig.

Beautiful nephew of Aunty Joan and Uncle John.

Loved cousin of Andrew, Lynley, Nicci and partners.

Tragically taken doing something he loved.

Much love to Margo, Karen, Marnie, Hayley, Chloe, Taj and Jack.

GEYER, Lyn.

Passed away peacefully surrounded by her family in Renmark, on Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

Aged 62 years.

Loved wife of Grant.

Loving mother of Alicia, Jonathan and Carly, Chrystal and Gary, Emma and Harry, Olivia and Corey, Michaela and Wade, Adele and Josh.

Cherished grandma of Noah, Gurnaaz, Oliver, Kolter, William and Aurora.

Loved daughter of Joy and Harry Kowald, and sister to Chris and Charmaine.

Please celebrate the life of Lyn Geyer by wearing bright colours.

In God's care you rest above, In our hearts you rest with love.

GEYER, Margaret Lynette (nee Kowald).

Passed away surrounded by her loved ones.

Loved daughter of Harry (deceased) and Joy Kowald.

Now at peace, remembered with love.

DEATHS

GEYER, Margaret Lynette (nee Kowald).

Passed away March 22, 2022.

Loved sister and sister-in-law of Chris, Charmaine and Phill.

Loved aunty of Desiree, Chanelle and Tarquin.

God has you in his keeping, We have you in our hearts.

KOURIS, John.

Passed away peacefully with family by his side on Friday, March 25, 2022.

Aged 87 years.

Loved husband of Ekaterini.

Loving father and father-in-law of Irene and Michael, Angela and Jim, Angelos and Hrisanthi, Mary and Ignatios.

Loved papou of Theo, Eva and Tim, Johnny (deceased), George and Rebecca, Johnny and Maria, Sava, Tayla and Niko, Dimitri and Grace.

Great-papou of Arianh and Kamilla.

Memory eternal.

PEAY, William 'Rob'.

Passed away peacefully at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital on March 22, 2022.

Aged 79 years.

Loved father of Richard and Sonia and father-in-law of Kally and Craig.

Loved grandad of Scarlett, George and Zohdi.

Loved Uncle Rob of Tina, Ken, Kirsty and Chris.

Too dearly loved to be forgotten.

DEATHS

SCHLOITHE, John Robert (formerly Chegwiddden).

5/8/1946 – 18/3/2022

We are so thankful for the life of John.

Tho' we will miss him; we rejoice that he is now with his Heavenly Father.

Much-loved husband of Robyn.

Father of Christine and Alex, Steven, and Craig.

Grandfather to Blake and Tina, Ashleigh, and nearly a great-grandpa.

Brother to Mark and Ann.

Forever in our hearts and finally at peace.

The family would like to thank the staff at the nursing home for their care, compassion and humour, shown to John over 3 years.

Also, thanks to Dr Eske and Dr McLeod.

John was privately cremated and a memorial service will be advised at a later date.

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SWEET, Joylene Mae.

29/6/1934 – 22/3/2022

Joy's earthly struggle ended unexpectedly, but peacefully as she slept.

Devoted and loving wife to John (deceased).

Loved and cherished mum of Don and Leeanne, Chris and Lloyd, Sharyn and Rod, Robyn and Terry, Bill and Tanya, also to Vicky (deceased) and Brian.

Beloved grandma of Leon, Stephen (deceased), Allan; Hayden, Dion, Justin; Shane, Darryn, Colin; Joni, Kari; Alyce, and McCartney.

Precious great-grandma to Jake, Kobe, Mikaila, Bailey; Kaiden, Wyatt, Alisa, Delilah; Louenna, Alija, Charles; and Victoria.

Loved mum, grandma, and friend to many who she has taken under her wing and supported in various ways.

Safe in the arms of her Lord.

Reunited with John.

Loved and remembered every day.

QUINLIVAN, Leonard 'Splitpin Henry'.

Passed away peacefully March 12, 2022.

Dearly loved and sadly missed by Chris, Len, Matthew and family.

Trevor, Betty and many other friends.

We will say goodbye at a later date.

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BATTAMS, Geoffrey.

Relatives and friends are advised that Geoff's funeral service will be conducted in its entirety at the Moorook Cemetery on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 11am.

In Geoff's memory, donations to the Royal Flying Doctor Service would be appreciated.

Envelopes will be available at the service.

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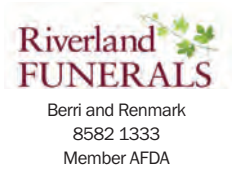
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FUNDAK.

Friends and family of Craig Fundak are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funeral Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 2pm, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.

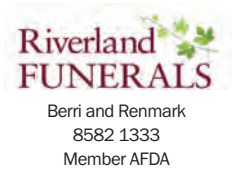


GEYER.

The relatives and friends of the late Mrs. Lyn Geyer are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service to be conducted at the Uniting Church, 76 Renmark Avenue, Renmark on Friday, April 1, 2022 at 10am.

In lieu of flowers if desired, a donation to Cancer Council SA in Lyn's memory would be appreciated. Donations may be made at the service.

At the conclusion of the service the cortege will proceed to the Renmark Lawn Cemetery for the committal.

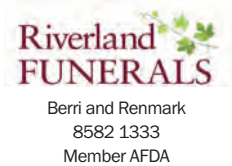


KOURIS.

The relatives and friends of the late John Kouris are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted at St. Dimitrios Greek Orthodox Church, Mortimer Road, Berri on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 11am.

In lieu of flowers if desired, a donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service in John's memory would be appreciated. Donations may be made at the service.

At the conclusion of the service the cortege will proceed to the Barmera Lawn Cemetery for the committal.



FUNERALS

PEAY, William 'Rob'.

Relatives and friends are advised that Rob's funeral service will be conducted in its entirety at the Loxton Lawn Cemetery on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 11am.

In Rob's memory, donations to LOXCARE would be appreciated. Envelopes will be available at the service.

At family request, please wear jeans or bright casual clothing.

The service will be livestreamed. The link will be available on our Facebook and website later in the week.



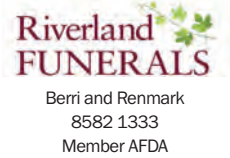
SWEET.

Friends and relatives of Joy Sweet are invited to attend a celebration of her life, to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funeral Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at 10am, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.

Please wear colourful, cheerful clothing to this celebration.

In lieu of flowers if desired, a donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Joy's memory would be appreciated. Donations may be made at the service.

Covid rules no longer require a cap on numbers, but there will be limited undercover seating due to the size of the extended family. For those unable to attend or who wish to review the service, a recording will be available by contacting a family member.



CLUSE, George.

16/11/1944 - 29/3/2012

Although it's been 10 years since you left us, our hearts are still broken.

Loved by Warren, June, Karen, Paul, Michelle, John, Rhys and Gabby.

IN MEMORIAM



FUS, Marilyn.
26/3/2021

The world changes from year to year,
Our lives from day to day.

But the love and memory of you,
Shall never pass away.

We love you always and forever in our hearts.

Priscilla, Robbie, Brodie, Jett and Clayton.

KASSULKE, Ethel 'Missy'.

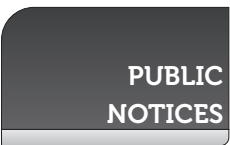
Dear God,
In your Heavenly Garden,
Is a beautiful, perfect rose.

Please give it to our mother,
And tell her it is the one we chose.

Let her know we really miss her,
So much more than we can say.

This rose of love is just for her,
Until we meet again, someday.

In loving memory,
Maureen, Jimmey and Scott.



AGM - Wunkar Community Soldiers Memorial Hall. Will be held on Wednesday, April 13 at 7pm at the hall. All welcome. Apologies to Jody 85874115.

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CAMPER trailer, \$7500; chainsaw, \$1100; bow arrow, \$500. Phone 0498543982.



CARAVAN 21ft, 2016, Adventura "Indulgence" luxury van with ensuite. In near new condition and a host of extras. Low kms. Along with the necessary appliances. It has diesel heater, extra water tank and pump, generator and storage boxes, awning, washing machine, solar, ESC etc. Genuine reason for selling. \$59,000. Located in Waikerie. Phone 0427815003.

CARAVAN Island Star, Tandem Poptop. as new, 2010. 3-way fridge, gas stove, queen bed, air-con, microwave, TV/DVD/CD player, electric brakes, roll-out awning etc. Registered until 7/2/2023. Price \$36,000. Phone 0468474857.

DINGHY - 8hp, 15hp and 18hp, all in good condition, no further use. Priced to sell. Phone 0418839383.

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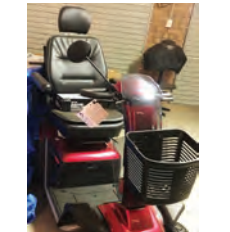
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MOBILITY scooter, 4-wheel Invacare Pegasus. Recent new 50amp batteries and service, excellent condition, high back swivel seat and charger. Carry weight 136kg. Can deliver. \$2500. 0438 253 986.



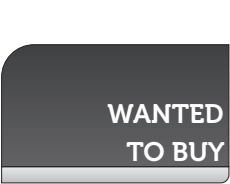
MOBILITY scooter, Pathfinder 140XL, red 4-wheel. Brand new, never used. Purchased 2021. Need gone. Price \$4500 ono. Contact Nikki 0421143214.

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BARMERA - 5 Wamsley Road. Saturday, April 2, from 8am. Large selection of household items. Too much to list. No early birds.

BERRI - 6 Verran Terrace. Saturday, April 2 and Sunday 3rd, 8am - 3pm. LG washing machine, lockable letterbox, various camping gear, star droppers, many other odds and ends.

LOXTON - 9 Hall Crescent. Saturday, April 2, 8am - 3pm. Moving sale including Ford wagon WJT619, queen bed ensemble, furniture, tumble drier, mower, 2 BBQ's, compressor, grinder, ladders, tools, plenty of sundries.

LOXTON North - 249 Edwards Road. Friday, April 1, Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd, 10am - 4pm. Plant Sale. New season flower and vegetable punnets have arrived. Large selection of shadehouse plants available. Phone 85841205.

MONASH - 245 Nixon Road. Saturday, April 2 and Sunday 3rd, 9am - 3pm. Shed items, shelving, wheels and tyres, hand tools and some household items.



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BERRI | BARMERA

Sunday, April 3

Berri 11am
Barmera 9am
Pastor Dean Mills

All Welcome
Phone 8582 1853

LOXTON

Fifth Sunday In Lent

Sunday, April 3

St Peter's	8.30am 10.30am
Concordia	10am HC Georg
Myrla	11am HC Moorook da Costa
Meribah	8.30am HC da Costa
Bookpurnong	8.30am HC Georg
Rest Home	Wed, Apr 13 10.30am HC

Lutheran Ministry Centre
Phone 8584 5522
Pastor Darrin Kohrt
(Concordia and outlying)
Pastor Jason Sander
(St Peter's)

RENMARK | PARINGA

Sunday, April 3

Renmark 9am
Paringa 10.30am HC

All Welcome
Pastor Roland Adams
Phone 0460 300 492

WAIKERIE

Sunday, April 3

Waikerie 10am
Lowbank 8.45am
Ramco 8.45am

All Welcome
Phone 8541 2689

Catholic Church Mass Times

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
Renmark 9.00am
Morgan 9.00am
Barmera 11.00am
Loxton 6.00pm



UNITING CHURCH

BERRI / BARMERA

Berri, Denny Street
Barmera, Nookamka Tce
Sundays at 10am
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LOXTON

Sunday, April 3
NO WORSHIP
Combined Riverland at Berri

Contact
Rev Linda Forsyth
0401 815 488

RENMARK

10am
Renmark Ave
8.30am HC
Renmark West

Rev Linda Forsyth
Phone 0401 815 488



Anglican Church Riverland

Saturday, April 2

5pm - Monash
St Oswald's

Sunday, April 3

9am - Barmera
St Edmund's
9am - Renmark
St Augustine's
11am - Loxton
The Resurrection
11am - Waikerie
St James

Contact:
Fr. David Patterson
8586 3288

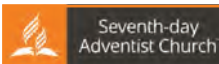


Sunday, April 3
10am

Loxton Senior
Citizen Hall
25 Tobruk Terrace

Ps Red Elliott
0439 507 098

Ps Sheryl Giles
0423 884 002



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The successful candidate will:

- Undertake day-to-day broiler chicken farm hand activities
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- Operation of plant & equipment
- General maintenance duties
- Accurately record data
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- Have a flexible commitment towards working hours as part of a team
- Be self-motivated and able to complete tasks efficiently with minimal supervision
- Maintain a safe work environment
- Preferably have experience in poultry farming, although not essential

Candidates are asked to email an application letter and resume to
The General Manager, crizmicpoultry2@baonline.com.au

Applications close Friday, April 15, 2022

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REFRIGERATION & AIR CONDITIONING MECHANIC

A vacancy exists for an experienced Refrigeration & Air Conditioning mechanic at Roe-Aire Riverland in Renmark SA.

This job involves diagnosing, repairing, servicing and installation of new units in both commercial and domestic applications.

Applicant must be reliable and trustworthy and able to work as part of a team as well as individually.

Applicant must have:

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- Arctick Refrigeration license
- White card
- Electrical Workers registration

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As a Quality Control Inspector, you will:

- Conduct product assessments against internal specifications
- Enter results into our internal computer system
- Escalate discrepancies
- Initiate corrective actions as necessary
- Calibrate equipment
- Conduct weight and metal detector checks
- Maintain records for stock control, traceability and customer certificate of analysis

Skills & Experience:

- Experience working in a quality role (preferred but not essential)
- Computer literate
- Confidence in making decisions
- Attention to detail
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Have a safety conscious attitude
- Able to follow instructions and work well in a team environment

Job Environment:

- Shift work – predominately day shift but able and willing to work afternoon shift when required
- Early starts and Saturday work required during peak periods

To apply for this position, send your resume and cover letter to: andream@almondco.com.au
Applications close Sunday, 10 April 2022.

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EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING
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ORCHARD OPERATOR/FARM HAND AT KEITH'S GROVE, LINDSAY POINT

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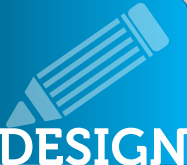
Property Manager
CMV Farms – Lindsay Point
PO Box 707, Renmark, S.A. 5341

Alternatively, email applications can be sent to tim.preusker@cmv.com.au

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District Council of Loxton Waikerie

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LOXTON WAIKERIE TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie hereby exercises the power pursuant to Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 and Clause "F" of the Instrument of General Approval of the Minister dated 12 March 2001 to:

Pursuant to section 33 (1) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that the following schedule of roads be closed to traffic between 8.30am and 2.00pm on Saturday 9 April 2022 for the 2022 Loxton Mardi Gras Parade;

Closed for event preparations, the Parade and subsequent events:

- Raymont Avenue from Bookpurnong Road to Starcevic Road
- Mill Road from Raymont Avenue
- AW Traeger Drive from Pine Avenue and Coral Street intersections

Pursuant to Section 33 (1)(b) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that persons taking part in the Event be exempted (in relation to the roads) from the duty to observe Australian Road Rules 230 and 238

For further information contact
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David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

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PUBLIC NOTICES



Notification of Road Works – Road Sealing


Council wishes to advise residents that sealing works will commence on Vaughan Terrace, Ahern Street and Wilson Street/ Kay Avenue roundabouts from 4 April to 8 April 2022.

Works may cause disruptions to traffic movement in those areas. Utilising alternative routes is recommended whilst works are underway.

Council will endeavour to minimise any inconveniences these works may cause. For further enquiries, please contact the Works Coordinator, Ron Millington, on 0429 643 271.

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Renmark Paringa Council

Public Consultation

Draft Infrastructure and Asset Management Plan and Long Term Financial Plan

Renmark Paringa Council is currently seeking feedback on its Draft Infrastructure and Asset Management Plan and the Long Term Financial Management Plan which outlines how Council will effectively manage its assets and finances over the next 10 years.

Feedback on the Draft Plans will be reviewed and presented to Council to assist in determining priorities for managing infrastructure in the future. A copy of the document can be obtained by visiting Council's website
<https://www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/council/consultation> or by visiting the Council office at 61 Eighteenth Street Renmark.

Written submissions are invited from the public and should be directed to Renmark Paringa Council, PO Box 730 Renmark SA 5341 or emailed to council@renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au by close of business Wednesday 20 April 2022.

For further information relating to this document, please contact:

Stephen Whitehead
Director Infrastructure and Environmental Services
P 8580 3000

Tim Pfeiffer
Director Corporate and Community Services
P 8580 3000


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RENMARK IRRIGATION TRUST


PAYMENT OF WATER SUPPLY CHARGES

Payment of third quarter charges (January to March 2022) are due by: **Thursday 31 March 2022.**

Penalty interest will apply to all amounts not received by the due date.

R Auricht, General Manager

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District Council of Loxton Waikerie

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LOXTON WAIKERIE

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie hereby exercises the power pursuant to Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 and Clause "F" of the Instrument of General Approval of the Minister dated 12 March 2001 to:

Pursuant to section 33 (1) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that the following schedule of roads be closed to traffic between 7.30am and 10:30am on Sunday 10 April 2022 for the Mardi Gras Appreciation Church Service.

- Eastern carriageway of East Terrace from Drabsch Street to the intersection of Edwards Street
- Western carriageway of East Terrace from Edwards Street to the intersection of Drabsch Street

Pursuant to Section 33 (1)(b) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that persons taking part in the Event be exempted (in relation to the roads) from the duty to observe Australian Road Rules 230 and 238

For further information contact

Greg Perry 8584 8000
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David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

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LOXTON RSL SUB-BRANCH

2022 ANZAC DINNER

The President and Members of Loxton RSL Sub-Branch cordially invite you to their

2022 ANZAC DINNER

Saturday 9th April, 2022
6pm for 6.15pm
Loxton RSL Sub-Branch
15 Tobruk Terrace, Loxton
\$45 per person for a 2 course meal.


Tea and Coffee available
Catering provided by the Loxton Hospital Complex

GUEST SPEAKER - Peter Higgs

RSVP by 1st April, 2022 to Lorraine Masters - 0473 364 881

Neat casual dress. Medals and decorations (miniatures) to be worn.
Raffles and Lucky door prize.

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Berri Barmera COUNCIL

ROAD CLOSURE ORDER

MURRAY MAN TRIATHLON

The Berri Barmera Council exercise power delegated to it by the Minister for Transport under Section 11 of the Road Traffic Act and through the Instrument of General Approval, part 1, Clause G: Delegation of Power to Close Roads and Grant Exemptions for Road Events to:

- Declare the Murray Man Triathlon to be held within the Barmera area as an event to which Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act applies.
- Hereby make an order –

- To close the Road specified in the Schedule (below) to traffic including bicycles and scooters excluding motorised wheelchairs as provided in Section 33 (1) (a) of the Road Traffic Act

THE SCHEDULE

Location	From	To
Come n Try Lakeside Drive from the Yacht Club including Dean Drive and Queen Elizabeth Drive to Foot Avenue, Barmera.	10.00am Saturday 9 April 2022	3.00pm Saturday 9 April 2022
Murray Man – Bike Course Lakeside Drive from the Yacht Club including Dean Drive and Queen Elizabeth Drive to Morgan Road, left along Morgan Road for 2km, Barmera.	6.00am Sunday 10 April 2022	3.00pm Sunday 10 April 2022
Murray Man – Run Course Partial Road Closure - Dean Drive including Queen Elizabeth Drive, to Bluebird Café Barmera with speed restrictions applying.	8.00am Sunday 10 April 2022	3.00pm Sunday 10 April 2022

- 2) Exempt persons in these areas when they are closed to vehicular traffic from Road Rules 230 (crossing a road) and 238 (pedestrians travelling along the road).

For further information please contact the office on 8582 1922 or bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au

PETER BOND
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LOXTON WAIKERIE

LOXTON AND WAIKERIE


SWIMMING POOL SEASON CLOSURE

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie and the Belgravia Leisure wishes to advise residents that the 21/22 pool season at the Loxton and Waikerie Swimming Pools closure has been extended by 1 week with the closure now occurring from Monday 4 April 2022.

We thank you for your patronage this season and look forward to seeing you all again next season.

David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

LZ13897



Waikerie medical Centre

The Centre for the Health of Women, Men & Children

2022 FLU CLINICS

Waikerie Medical Centre will again be providing clinics for Influenza vaccinations

- The peak period of Influenza circulation is typically June to September in most parts of Australia
- While protection is generally expected to last for the whole season, optimal protection against influenza occurs within the first 3 to 4 months following vaccination
- Influenza vaccine is recommended in every pregnancy and at any stage of pregnancy


Eligibility for influenza vaccines funded by the National Immunization Program (NIP)

- Annual influenza vaccination is recommended and NIP-funded for all children 6mths to <5yrs and all adults >65yrs. It is also recommended for all people aged 5->65yrs of age, but only NIP funded in specific populations in this age group due to their increased risk of complications from influenza. These populations include:
 - All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
 - People who have certain medical conditions which increase the risk of influenza disease complications as follows
 - Cardiac Disease
 - Chronic Respiratory conditions
 - Chronic Neurological conditions
 - Immunocompromising conditions
 - Diabetes and other metabolic disorders
 - Renal disease
 - Hematological disorders

Clinics will commence Monday 11th April and run weekly; bookings are essential.

Please phone 8541 3500 to arrange an appointment.

WZ10122



District Council of Loxton Waikerie

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS WORKING GROUP

MEMBER RECRUITMENT

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie are seeking 6 enthusiastic and passionate district-wide community members to join Council's Historical Collections Working Group.

The purpose of this new working group is to:

- Collect preserve and display items that relate to the history, character, and development of communities within the council area, and
- Build and preserve historical resources that will protect the district history for the present and future communities of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie by caring for the collection to the best possible standard and within its capabilities.


Members of this group will meet the following criteria:

- Expertise or proven historical interest
- Primary residence in the Loxton Waikerie district
- Knowledge of conservation and historical issues affecting the district
- The ability to access heritage or other community networks/stakeholder groups
- Familiarity of a variety of historical areas, including (but not limited to) war, sport, industry, events, towns, politics and people of interest
- Computer literacy across different platforms and digital archiving systems

Applications close 5pm Friday 8 April 2022.

An application form can be found on Council's website or available upon request at the Loxton and Waikerie Council Office reception desks.

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Berri Barmera COUNCIL

Community Development Grants

NOW OPEN


Information kits available at either the Berri or Barmera Council offices or via our website at www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au/grants.

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APPLICATIONS CLOSE 20 APRIL 2022

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the quiz answers

1. An apple
2. Brazil & Argentina
3. True
4. Charles Dickens
5. Cleopatra
6. Dan Brown
7. Peter Malinauskas
8. Tokyo
9. Glenrowan, Victoria
10. Something made with cauliflower
11. Artichoke
12. Estonia
13. 1974
14. Ethiopia
15. Tom, Dick and Harry
16. Norway
17. John Curtin (Australia), Winston Churchill (United Kingdom)
18. Cactus
19. 206 bones
20. United Kingdom

BONUS QUESTION ANSWER (from last week): The first artificially refrigerated ice rink opened in London, England.

Loxton crowned A grade premiers

LOXTON proved too strong for Renmark North in the Riverland A grade cricket grand final last Saturday, with the Tigers clinching the win in the dying overs of the game.

The Bluetongues got things under way with bat in hand at Loxton Oval and began well, with openers Liam Jackson and Ben Files proving to be difficult to remove for the Loxton bowlers.

The duo defended well and ensured Renmark North remained none down at the drinks break, but the travelling side had scored just 44 runs in the opening session.

Still, the Bluetongues were happy with how things were going and with wickets in the sheds they were able to accelerate in the second half of the innings.

Files eventually fell to Jake Albrecht in the 27th over, but Jackson continued to pile on the runs.

It had been an up and down year with the bat for the Renmark North skipper, but he was able to cash in on the biggest stage, hitting his way to 83 before finally falling to Albrecht, who picked up his second wicket.

Tarque Williamson provided some middle-order hitting and Renmark North found its way to just shy of 150 in its 40 overs.

Runs are a valuable commodity in finals cricket so the Bluetongues were happy with the total, but it was now up to their bowlers to try and restrict a very deep Loxton batting order.

Loxton started swiftly, with Jake Albrecht taking 11 runs from Bradley Grant's first over, but he fell soon after to Williamson.

His opening partner, Tyler Hobby, was joined by the mercurial Josh Deren and the two began to get to work, Deren in particular striking the ball well.

Hobby held up an end while Deren punished the Renmark North attack before falling for 37 but at 2/85, Loxton was on top.

Liam Jackson gave his side a chance with his off-spin picking up wickets in the middle overs, but the damage was already done.

Hobby eventually fell for a match-winning 40 and Will Gutsche was able to finish the job, seeing Loxton over the line in the 39th over.

Renmark North's B grade side also fell at the final hurdle on the opposite oval against Wunkar.

The two teams played off in the semi-final a fortnight ago and it was Wunkar that won well, dismissing the Bluetongues for a low score.

History repeated itself last Saturday as Renmark North was sent in to bat and failed to fire, with no batsman able to reach double digits in the scorebook.

Luke Harder was the chief destroyer, with his left arm around-the-wicket pace proving difficult for the Renmark North batsmen to handle.

He finished with six wickets from seven overs, while youngster Kaiden Evans picked up two of his own from the opposite end.

The Bluetongues struggled to a small total of 62 and despite two early wickets from the preliminary final hero Deakin Aston, never looked likely to restrict Wunkar to less than that.

Wunkar's captain for the day Talyn Eagle took the game away from the visitors with some clean hitting and Wunkar passed the Renmark North total in the 21st over of the innings, with eight wickets still in hand.

RESULTS

A GRADE

Grand final

Renmark North

L. Jackson	.....c Deren b Albrecht	81
B. Files	.....c Hoffmann b Albrecht	32
D. Mills	.....stumped b Hoffmann	3
T. Williamson	.....not out	21
T. van Dyk	.....not out	0
Extras	.....	7
Total:		3/147

Bowling: J. Norman 6-2-0-16, L. Zdanowicz 8-2-0-17, B. Lynch 7-2-0-19, J. Durdin 5-0-0-22, B. Hoffmann 7-1-1-36, J. Albrecht 7-0-2-30.

Loxton

J. Albrecht	.....c Mills b Williamson	15
T. Hobby	.....c&b Jackson	40
J. Deren	.....c Bradbrook b Jackson	37
B. Hoffmann	.....run out	10
W. Gutsche	.....not out	30
M. Gutsche	.....c Mills b Jackson	0
T. O'Shaughnessy	.....not out	12
Extras	.....	5
Total:		5/148

Bowling: B. Grant 8-0-0-28, T. Williamson 8-1-1-36, S. Bradbrook 3-0-0-10, C. Packer 8-0-0-31, L. Jackson 8-0-3-24, Z. Gallo 4-1-0-17.

Loxton won by 5 wickets.

B GRADE grand final

Wunkar 2/65 (T. Eagle 32no, M. Leigh 17no, D. Aston 2/9) d Renmark North 62 (L. Harder 6/19, K. Evans 2/12, R. Smith 1/6, K. Smith 1/14).



Loxton youngster Tyler Hobby starred in the Riverland A grade cricket grand final, top scoring for his side at the top of the order.



Riverland B grade cricket premiers Wunkar. Back row: Dylan Voigt, Callan Voigt, Luke Harder, Kale Smith, Matthew Leigh and Mick Eagle. Front row: Todd Pontt, Talyn Eagle and Kaiden Evans. Absent: Lincoln Evans, Ryan Smith. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

The Lawns clubmates Bette Symonds (left) and Ron Adam took out their respective champion of champions singles events earlier this month.
PHOTO: Facebook



The Lawns still leading the way with champion of champions double

RIVERLAND Bowls held its champion of champion events earlier this month and The Lawns recorded an impressive double-win.

Ron Adam won the champion of champion men's singles event after a tight final against Andrew Fulwood of Waikerie.

Adam went into the final end down by two shots but was able to pick up three, meaning he finished on top by a single shot.

His clubmate Bette Symonds was also triumphant in the women's event over Loxton champion Lyn Kimber.

Adam and Symonds will now head to Adelaide to compete in the statewide singles championships.

Symonds teamed up with Jeannie Kelly in the doubles event but fell at the final hurdle to Monash Club duo Rosie Potts and Sandy Elsdon.

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The Independent football competition will no longer fall under the RFL's banner as of season 2023.
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Times are changing

BEN LENNON

TWO key changes to the Riverland football landscape took place last week, with the RFL announcing new Covid-19 protocols and the SANFL officially separating the Independent competition from the RFL banner as of 2023.

The RFL and Independent competitions will now be required to follow new bylaws, introduced by the SANFL for the 2022 season and beyond, that related to Covid management.

The bylaws stipulate that if a team is affected by Covid and is missing players, the game will be able to be played with both sides having less

people on the field than usual, with 16 being the lowest it can go.

If one club has been severely affected and cannot play the game then the two teams will get a share of the points and percentage.

The move has been made to ensure that as many games as possible go ahead and SANFL Riverland co-ordinator Shane Uren believes it will benefit those involved in local footy.

“The stress that has been put on league and club volunteers as well as players and families due to not knowing if they’re playing week to week has been huge,” he said.

“For juniors, they’ll be able

to share players as well so we get as many kids playing football as we can.”

Fielding A grade sides will remain a priority, with clubs required to fill an A grade side first, using regulars from lower grades if necessary.

Meanwhile, the RFL’s push to remove its responsibilities for the Independent competition was given the green light by the SANFL last Friday.

From 2023 onwards, the Independent competition will have its own identity, with office bearers of each of the six Independent clubs sitting for a meeting last night to discuss the direction of the competition.

Magpies swoop to sign former Tiger Helbig



Former Richmond AFL player and West Adelaide SANFL premiership star, Bradley Helbig, has committed to the Waikerie Magpies for the 2022 RFL season.
PHOTO: Facebook

WAIKERIE has landed a massive off-season signing in its bid to return to the top of the RFL ladder, with former Richmond and West Adelaide player Bradley Helbig returning to the club in 2022.

Helbig was taken at pick 47 in the 2010 AFL draft by the Tigers and went on to play 15 games over four years on the Tigers’ list.

After his stint in the AFL, he returned to his SANFL club, West Adelaide, and played a major role in the side’s 2015 premiership win.

Now 31 years old, he brings a wealth of high-level experience to a Waikerie side that is on a mission to go one step further after finishing runners-up in the 2021 RFL season.

Speaking to the Marks Up podcast, Waikerie coach Shayne Stevens said he is

“pretty excited” about Helbig’s inclusion.

“Brad’s got high expectations on himself and on the club. He’s got a fiancée now and she’s got a daughter and they just want to be involved with a family football club and we hope that we’ll provide that,” Stevens said.

“Hopefully he’ll play some really good football for us. To the younger lads hopefully he’s going to set an example on the playing field of how he goes about it and the expectation of how you train.

“You’re not just an A grade footballer, you’ve got to behave like one and train like one so I’m pretty excited about it to be honest.”

At 185cm, Helbig’s size and mobility makes him a valuable acquisition for the Magpies, with his ability to play a number of positions a welcome commodity for Stevens and his side.



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RFL ALL GRADES DRAW 2022

STARTING TIMES U13 8.45AM U15 9.58AM U18 11.20AM B 1.00PM A 2.40PM WOMEN'S 5.15PM

1 SATURDAY APRIL 23

Renmark v Loxton
Berri v Waikerie
Loxton North v Barmera-Monash

2 SATURDAY APRIL 30

Waikerie v Renmark
Barmera-Monash v Berri
Loxton v Loxton North

3 SATURDAY MAY 7

Loxton v Berri
Renmark v Loxton North
Waikerie v Barmera-Monash

4 SATURDAY MAY 14

Barmera-Monash v Loxton
Loxton North v Waikerie
Berri v Renmark

5 SATURDAY MAY 21

Renmark v Barmera-Monash
Loxton North v Berri
Junior & B Grade Loxton v Waikerie

SUNDAY MAY 22

Loxton v Waikerie
A Grade and State League Game

6 SATURDAY MAY 28

Loxton v Renmark
Waikerie v Berri
Barmera-Monash v Loxton North

7 SATURDAY JUNE 4

Renmark v Waikerie
Berri v Barmera-Monash
Loxton North v Loxton

BYE SATURDAY JUNE 11

INTERLEAGUE

8 SATURDAY JUNE 18

Berri v Loxton
Renmark v Loxton North
Waikerie v Barmera-Monash

9 SATURDAY JUNE 25

Loxton v Barmera-Monash
Loxton North v Waikerie
Renmark v Berri

10 SATURDAY JULY 2

Waikerie v Loxton
Berri v Loxton North
Barmera-Monash v Renmark

11 SATURDAY JULY 9

Renmark v Loxton
Berri v Waikerie
Loxton North v Barmera-Monash

BYE SATURDAY JULY 16

SA COUNTRY CHAMPS

12 SATURDAY JULY 23

Waikerie v Renmark (Gill-Lehmann Cup)
Barmera-Monash v Berri (Fisher Cup)
Loxton v Loxton North (Proud Cup)

13 SATURDAY JULY 30

Berri v Loxton
Loxton North v Renmark
Barmera-Monash v Waikerie

14 SATURDAY AUGUST 6

Loxton v Barmera-Monash
Waikerie v Loxton North
Renmark v Berri

15 SATURDAY AUGUST 13

Waikerie v Loxton
Loxton North v Berri
Barmera-Monash v Renmark

SATURDAY AUGUST 20

1ST SEMI FINAL @ Loxton North

SATURDAY AUGUST 27

2ND SEMI FINAL @ Renmark

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3

PRELIMINARY FINAL @ Waikerie

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RFL INDEPENDENTS DRAW 2022

STARTING TIME A 2.30PM DOUBLE HEADER ROUNDS – FIRST GAME 12.00PM SECOND GAME 2.30PM

1 SATURDAY APRIL 23

BSR v Sedan-Cambrai
Brown's Well v Wunkar
Paringa v Ramco

2 SATURDAY APRIL 30

Ramco v BSR
Wunkar v Paringa
Sedan-Cambrai v Brown's Well

3 SATURDAY MAY 7

BSR v Paringa
Sedan-Cambrai v Wunkar
Ramco v Brown's Well

4 SATURDAY MAY 14

Brown's Well v BSR
Paringa v Ramco
Wunkar v Sedan-Cambrai

5 SATURDAY MAY 21

Sedan-Cambrai v Ramco
Brown's Well v Paringa
BSR v Wunkar

6 SATURDAY MAY 28

Sedan-Cambrai v BSR
Ramco v Paringa
Wunkar v Brown's Well

7 SATURDAY JUNE 4

Paringa v Wunkar
Sedan-Cambrai v Brown's Well
BSR v Ramco

BYE SATURDAY JUNE 11

LONG WEEKEND

8 SATURDAY JUNE 18

Paringa v BSR
Wunkar v Sedan-Cambrai
Brown's Well v Ramco

9 SATURDAY JUNE 25

BSR v Brown's Well
Ramco v Wunkar
Sedan-Cambrai v Paringa

10 SATURDAY JULY 2

Paringa v Brown's Well
Wunkar v BSR
Ramco v Sedan-Cambrai

11 SATURDAY JULY 9

BSR v Sedan-Cambrai
Paringa v Ramco
Brown's Well v Wunkar

BYE SATURDAY JULY 16

SA COUNTRY CHAMPS

12 SATURDAY JULY 23

Ramco v BSR
Wunkar v Paringa
Sedan-Cambrai v Brown's Well

13 SATURDAY JULY 30

BSR v Paringa
Wunkar v Sedan-Cambrai
Ramco v Brown's Well

14 SATURDAY AUGUST 6

Brown's Well v BSR
Wunkar v Ramco
Paringa v Sedan-Cambrai

15 SATURDAY AUGUST 6

Brown's Well v Paringa
BSR v Wunkar
Sedan-Cambrai v Ramco

SATURDAY AUGUST 20

2ND SEMI FINAL @ Cambrai

SATURDAY AUGUST 20

1ST SEMI FINAL @ Cambrai

SATURDAY AUGUST 27

PRELIMINARY FINAL @ Wunkar

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3

GRAND FINAL @ Ramco



Under 18 boys division 2 basketball premiers Berri – Back: Jayden Butler, Seth Johns, Harry Campbell, Isaac Humphrey, Cohan Drogemuller and coach Shane Phillips. Front: Cohen Harris, Aden McNab and Mackey Eleftheriadis. PHOTOS: Paul McCormick



Under 16 boys division 2 premiers Loxton - Back: Will Schulz (assistant coach), Luke Noack, Jakodi Lehmann, Cameron Rankine, Darcy Slagter and Connor Lange (assistant coach). Front: Michael Sexton, Ethan Lawson and Archer Lloyd. Absent: Erin Hughes (coach).



Under 14 boys division 2 premiers Lakers - Back: James Goodman (coach), Riley Johnson, Reece Clark, Max Rashleigh, Aiden Pedersen and Brody Nagy (coach). Front: Logan Bowers, Tyson Burford and Cooper Klingbiel.



Under 14 girls division 2 premiers Supercats – Back: Sharona Edwards (coach), Dakota McPharlin, Imogen Drogemuller, Kiana Sheffield, Tahlia Vowles and Piper Edwards. Front: Piper Montgomery, Annalise Tripp, Yasmin Westbrook and Tilly Groth.



Under 12 girls division 2 premiers Waikerie – Back: Alira Cryer, Madison Palin, Peyton Fitzgerald, Elise Collins and Julia Golding (coach). Front: Jessica Mibus, Skye Golding, Ivy Nettelbeck, Constance Zarmbalas and Samrath Brar.



Under 12 boys division 2 premiers Loxton - Back: Andrew Tullett (coach) Jesse Tullett, Kayden Cripps, Murphy Yandell and Cruz Miegel. Front: Angus Milton, Jax Uren, Ned Portolesi and Jordan Cass.

The victorious Riverland under 16 girls basketball team from last weekend's state country championships. Back row: Coach Michael Trussell (left), Hallie Hodgson, Summer Smith, Bella Gates and Sienna Lehmann. Front row: Kiara Harman, Bailey Hahn and Chelsea Wutke. PHOTO: Facebook



Riverland takes out SA country title

BEN LENNON

THE Riverland under 16 girls basketball team can now officially call itself the best country side in the state after winning the division one title in Adelaide last weekend.

The side was coached by Michael Trussell, who has been involved with this group for some time, and they took on a familiar foe in the final.

"We knew going into the carnival that we were number one in the state and Port Augusta were number two," Trussell said.

"These sides have had some great battles over the years beginning in under 12s and have played in the grand final every second year with under 12s then under 14s and now under 16s and the Riverland girls have won each time."

The team played four games

in the minor round and the Riverland side had no issues, winning all of them by double digit margins.

The side then ran in to Eastern Hills in the semi-final and once again was able to win comfortably, with the final margin 28 points.

Port Augusta got the jump on the Riverland side early, with its tall players causing Trussell and his side a number of headaches.

Three quick baskets following a timeout allowed the Riverland girls to head into halftime with some momentum, with the margin cut to just two points in favour of Port Augusta.

A strong third quarter saw the Riverland side up by five points at the final break before a late-game free throw from Bella Gates clinched the win.

"The grand final lived up to expectations and was a great game between two evenly matched teams," Trussell said.

"We played Port Augusta in November in their carnival and beat them twice by two points and then 10 points in their grand final so we knew we had their measure."

Amazingly, the Riverland side didn't make a single substitution for the entire grand final, with the starting five playing the full allotment of minutes.

Trussell explained that because of a Covid situation, two of the original squad had to miss out, meaning that Hallie Hodgson and Kiara Harman were drafted in at the last minute.

Both girls played heavy minutes in the buildup to the grand final but didn't feature in the

big dance, which was part of the plan all along.

"The five girls that played that whole game were incredible," Trussell said.

"The only reason they could do that was because of the other two players we had spent lots of minutes on court in all the other games which allowed these five players to rest for the grand final which we knew we were going to play.

"We didn't have any stand-out performers as they all played really well as a team. You can tell they have played for Riverland teams since under 12s as they gel really well together.

"They were an easy group to coach; they know what to do and never gave up even though they started sluggish in the grand final. I couldn't be more proud."

Eightball charity events

THE Riverland Eightball Association held two events last week as the winter season kicked into gear.

Saturday saw 21 teams of two compete in the Sharron Nattrass Memorial tournament.

Sharron Nattrass played for the Riverland Women's Eightball Association for around 25 years for The Lyrup Club and served on the committee as treasurer.

She passed away after a battle with lymphoma cancer in 2018, so the Riverland associations hold a joint memorial event in her memory for members and the public.

The duo of Ray Pash and Colby Knight came out on top ahead of Tahlia Rice and Tom Smith in this year's event, but a spokesperson said the real highlight was the generosity on show from the eightball community.

The association set a goal of raising \$500 for Lymphoma Australia and thanks to some strong donations was able to achieve that.

Teams from across the region returned to tables for the regular season on Wednesday night, with round one taking place at a number of venues.

Lyrup Club Muppets were the standout in division one, defeating Loxton 16-0, while Barmera Balls Deep and Monash Club Bandits also put in strong showings.

- RESULTS**
- Grade one/two**
Barmera Balls Deep 14 d Renmark Bowling Club 2.
Lyrup Club Muppets 16 d Loxton 0.
- Grade three**
(Details not provided)
- Grade four**
Lyrup Club Blue 9 d Cobby Roos 7.
Bourbon Legends 12 d Monash Rascals 4.
Lyrup FARQ 10 d Cobby Eagles 6.



The Sharron Nattrass Memorial mixed pairs winners Colby Knight (left) and Ray Pash. PHOTO: supplied

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Senior softball premiers Loxton. Back row: Alison Stokes (coach, left), Noah Paull, Kellie Lawson, Kellie Holland, Delta Venning, Rachel Wagner (coach), Sarah Peltz and Tracy Townsend (scorer). Front row: Evan McAllister (left), Amy Halupka, Kathy Johnson, Cora Johnson and Kerry Geraghty. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Loxton's best on ground Noah Paull being congratulated by teammate Kathy Johnson while crossing the home plate during Saturday's grand final at Glassey Park.

Softball saves the best for last

LOXTON edged out Cobdogla in a thriller of a senior grand final that brought the Riverland softball season to a close last Saturday afternoon.

The game began with a bang, with Loxton star Noah Paull scoring a four-bagger with one on board the bases and before long, the eventual champions were out to a four-run lead.

Cobdogla refused to go away though and clawed its way back into the game off the back of some impressive hitting.

Jade Pech picked up an RBI triple-hit and Chloe Thompson put a four-bag hit on the board for the Eagles and suddenly it was game on again, with the scores tied halfway through the seventh inning.

It came down to the wire with Loxton needing two runs from its final bat and it delivered just that, with two runs securing the title for the Strikers.

Supporters were treated to what Riverland Softball Association secretary Monica Haaja called "one of the best games of the year".

Noah Paull backed up his best-and-fairest winning season with a strong performance in the final game of the year.



C grade softball premiers Cobdogla Blue. Back row: Michelle Hayes (coach, left), Di Passmore (assistant coach) Wendy Leckie, Jade Pech, Joshua Peltz, Ebonee Pech, Monica Haaja, Heidi Kassulke (scorer) and Marianne Smith (scorer). Front row: Kendall Hayes (left), Jan Cook, Vanessa Cook, Dallas Fitzpatrick and Gloria Dyer.

He picked up best-on-ground honours and featured in Loxton's best players list alongside Evan McAllister and Delta Venning.

Cobdogla didn't go home empty-handed though, with clubmates Cobdogla Blue taking out the C grade championship.

The competition has produced high-

lights all year, often showcasing some of the younger talent that the region has to offer.

The grand final between Berri and Cobdogla started with the young Berri side mounting a challenge against the more experienced Cobdogla Blue.

Berri shot out to a narrow lead, but after

the first innings Cobdogla Blue found its rhythm and began to connect with some big hits, surging into the lead.

Ebonee Pech registered a four-bagger RBI in the middle of the fourth innings but it didn't count on the scoreboard as Cobby had already reached the limit of seven runs in a single inning.

Berri fought back through some strong hitting from Sophie Sampson and Kelsey Goldspink, but it proved to be too little too late as Cobdogla Blue was already out to an unassailable lead.

Vanessa Cook of Cobdogla Blue was named best on ground, but it was Gloria Dyer, Ebonee Pech and Joshua Peltz that featured in the side's best players list.

RESULTS

Seniors

Loxton 8 D Cobdogla 7

Best: Loxton – N. Paull, E. McAllister, D. Venning. Cobdogla – D. Passmore, B. Smith, H. Kassulke. Best on ground – N. Paull (lox)

C grade

Cobdogla Blue 18 d Berri 6

Best: Cobdogla Blue – G. Dyer, E. Pech, J. Peltz. Berri – K. Goldspink, S. Sampson, M. Bristow. Best on ground – V. Cook (cob)

Local golfer Louise lands first 'ace'

LOCAL golfer Louise Berry nailed her first hole-in-one at the Berri Golf Club recently.

Berry's ace was on the 16th hole (par 3) and was her final shot of the day.

"There was a gusty wind and the 16th required two clubs to be added," she explained.

"The shot was played with a low-punched three hybrid that landed just short of the green and rolled directly at the pin.

"We all thought that it had stopped just short of the hole as we didn't have a clear view from the tee.

"As we approached the green the ball had disappeared – it had fallen into the front of the hole."

Berry has been playing golf on and off for 30 years and has been a member at Berri for around seven years.

Her hole-in-one was achieved at the Berri Golf Club's recent 2022 opening day, when 58 members took part in the annual Neville 'Nifty' Wait Memorial Stableford.

This day is sponsored by life members Cynthia and the late Neville Wait. Club president Wayne Thiele commenced the day by hitting the first ball of the season.

Winners were Matthew 'Doc' Clifford and Sara Ormsby, while Allan Thurmer and Braydon Eckermann were runners-up.



Louise Berry had her first hole-in-one at the Berri Golf Club's recent opening day. PHOTOS: supplied



Winners and runners-up of the Berri Golf Club's recent 2022 opening day event, the annual Neville 'Nifty' Wait Memorial Stableford, back (from left) Allan Thurmer, Matthew 'Doc' Clifford. Front: Braydon Eckermann, with sponsor Cynthia Wait, and Sara Ormsby.

RIVERLAND GOLF RESULTS

BERRI

Wednesday, March 23

Stableford: D. Dawson 38 (cb), E. Dawson 38, R. Burn 37, P. Mudge 36, J. Schmidt 35, C. Berri 34, B. Rosenthal 33, M. Wilksch 32 (cb), T. Shearer. Birdies – L. Berry, C. Berry 16th, C. Hyde 13th.

Saturday, March 26

Men
Stroke: B. Eckermann 67, D. Dawson 70, R. Burn 71 (cb), J. Trinder 71, S. Hawkins 72 (cb), P. Martin 72, P. Mudge 72, G. Chisholm 73 (cb), G. Calgie 73, L. Campbell 73, S. Clayton 74 (cb), S. Schloithe 74, S. Renfrey 74. Birdie – J. Trinder 16th.
Women
Stroke: M. Heuzenroeder 74 (cb), L.

Seddon 74, L. Mudge 74, E. Dawson 74, G. Nunn 75 (cb), S. Gore 75.

LOXTON

Wednesday, March 23

Men
Stableford: D. Sunman 39, D. Peberdy 37, G. Leyson 36, G. MacInnes 35, B. Yeomans 35, B. Davies 35, J. Reynolds 35, D. Zelfiff 34, D. Johns 34, P. Frahn 33. NTP – 2nd B. Skinner 189cm, 15th B. Davies 390cm. Birdies – 2nd W. Wilson.
Women
Stableford: M. Tyler 33, S. Grein 32. NTP – 2nd S. Pannell 407cm.
Saturday, March 26
Four-ball better ball
Men

Stableford: A grade – L. Kruger 43, D. Sunman 41, D. Forbes 47, H. Kara-Ali 40, A. Lodge 39, D. Pfeiler 36, R. Koch 36, P. Drew 36, K. Wilksch 36, S. Harris 35, J. Nelson 35, M. Deans 34, C. Voumard 34. B grade – P. Steele 40, D. Johns 38, B. Skinner 38, C. Golding 34, P. Fogden 34, O. Walkley 34, A. Baker 34, G. Schultz 34, P. Andison 34, L. Fogden 34, E. Harrison 34. NTP – 2nd E. Harrison 350cm, 5th P. Morris 211cm, 12th K. Wagnitz 650cm, 15th D. Sunman 38cm. Birdies – 5th P. Morris, 15th L. Kruger, D. Sunman, B. Skinner.
Women
Stableford: J. Ling 37, J. Fogden 36, S. Pendle 35, J. Patching 35. NTP – 15th C. Arndt 420cm.

Col glad to win Barmera's midweek stableford

COLIN Gladwin had 37 points to win Barmera Golf Club's midweek stableford by two points from the club's celebrity of the month, Mohinder Ubhey.

Mohinder proved that the hole-in-one earlier in the month was no fluke when he accumulated 35 points to be runner-up by one shot from Phil Selfe and Barry Whitehead. Nev Hamood was best of the rest with 33 points.

Willunga visitor Stephen Selfe won the club's stableford on Saturday with 43 points.

He finished four ahead of veteran Ian Girdler and six ahead of Adi Selfe and fast-improving Brandon Uren.

Another Saturday morning regular Sally Minns was the best of the ladies with 35 points.

Others to feature at the top of the leaderboard were Tyson Swanbury (4 hcp-34pts), Andy Kariuki (21-33) and Nick Jones (21-33).

Club stalwarts Nev McPherson (net 74) and Trevor Hansen (net 75) filled the top placings in Sunday's stroke after working tirelessly on Saturday to host 70 visitors from various groups. The assistance provided to host so many visitors was greatly appreciated by the club.

Meanwhile Barmera Golf Club course superintendent Dave Hastwell has completed the construction of a new green on the 12th hole.

The new surface has been seeded and will be almost three times the size of the previous green. Work will soon commence on installing new dual-line irrigation systems on the practice fairway and the 12th fairway.

The on-course improvements have been combined with the upgraded amenities in the clubhouse.

'Nervous' wait tonight for Loxton United soccer players

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

A LOCAL soccer club is seeking A grade players and a coach to ensure its 2022 season goes ahead.

The Loxton United Soccer Club is seeking players for its men's A and B grade sides, following a mass exodus due to university leavers and player retirement.

Club president Matt Perram said

he was a "little bit nervous", with the potential shortage to become clearer after tonight's first senior training.

"Some of the B grade might be able to step up, but we just won't know until Wednesday onwards on the type of numbers that are thinking of showing," he said.

"(Out of) on-pitch players of 11, we have probably eight that have left.

"We are hoping there's a few inter-

ested people through the high school and we will get a few players back from last year."

Mr Perram said all are welcome to tonight's training.

"Come and give it a go," he said.

"There are lots of juniors and it's a good family club."

The Loxton United Soccer Club's senior training kicks off tonight at the Loxton Oval from 6.30pm.



KARTS ACTION: Loxton Kart Club held its 125 Joker Day last weekend, with strong numbers in attendance.

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Mystery darts duo triumph

DARCY Crane and Michelle Hayes took out the Riverland Darts Association mystery doubles tournament last Thursday night at the Monash Club in front of a strong crowd.

The duo defeated Allen Hargreaves and Kendall Hayes in the first round final before facing off

against them again in the overall final.

Crane and Hayes were too strong and took out the title, with Crane picking up the highest score of the night with a maximum 180.

The winter darts season will commence on April 14 with another mystery doubles night at the Monash Club.



Darcy Crane (left) and Michelle Hayes were victorious in the Riverland Darts Association mystery doubles tournament last week. PHOTO: Facebook

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Tigers pounce on premiership



Riverland A grade cricket premiers, Loxton: (Back, from left): Ben Hoffmann, Travis O'Shaughnessy, Luke Zdanowicz, Brian Lynch, Jake Durdin, Michael Gutsche, William Gutsche and Josh Norman. Front: Josh Deren, Jake Albrecht and Tyler Hobby. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

LOXTON was able to cap off a dominant season in Riverland A grade cricket by defeating Renmark North in the grand final in Loxton last Saturday.

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Loxton pitcher Evan McAllister was among the best players in last Saturday's softball grand final. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Loxton lands title

LOXTON edged out Cobdogla in a thriller of a senior grand final that brought the Riverland softball season to a close last Saturday afternoon.

The game began with a bang, with Loxton star Noah Paull scoring a four-bagger with one on board the bases and before long, the eventual champions were out to a four-run lead.

Cobdogla was able to peg it back to an even scoreline but runs in Loxton's final inning were enough to give the Strikers the 2022 senior premiership.

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