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At Nappers Bridge to discuss the recent decision to dredge Chambers Creek and return the waterway to its pre-flood condition were (from left) Mike Fuller, Berri Barmera councillor David Waterman, chief executive officer Tim Pfeiffer, Mayor Ella Winnall, John Bannear, John Beech and Peter Symens. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Budget talks begin as living pressures grow...

FIRST RATE

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

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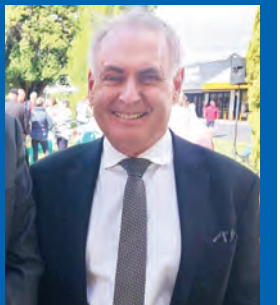
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Sky News host beams local message nationwide...



Sky News host Paul Murray interviews Sarah and John Angove at Angove Family Winemakers' Renmark cellar door facility on Sunday night.

‘We’re open for business’

RENMARK was front and centre when prominent Sky News presenter Paul Murray beamed his Our Town show live from the local town on Sunday night.

Filmed at Angove Family Winemakers’ cellar door before an audience of about 40 people, the hour-long program – a regular feature of the popular Paul Murray Live show – included a succession of local guests, plus several video sequences.

Murray and his crew spent a few days in the region leading up to telecast, and throughout the show the host was lavish in his praise of the Riverland, and particularly Renmark.

“Yes, there was a flood here... but the joint is open, it is thriving... Renmark wants to see you,” he told his national audience.

Murray’s first live interview was with John and Victoria Angove, who spoke about the winery, and the fact that Thomas Angove

invented cask wine, back in 1964.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Peter Hunter and Riverland-based Liberal MLC Dr Nicola Centofanti were next up, and both reiterated the ‘we are open for business’ theme.

Cooltong wine grape grower Jack Papageorgiou and well-known local man Richard Fewster were the final duo interviewed live.

Mr Papageorgiou spoke about the troubles currently plaguing the region’s wine grape industry.

“This is the biggest challenge the wine industry has ever faced, but particularly the grape growers,” he told Murray.

Mr Papageorgiou said growers needed a package from government.

“We need financial support so we can look after ourselves...” he said.

Mr Fewster spoke about the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival, advising viewers the event will celebrate its 30th anniversary later this year.



Sky News host Paul Murray with Liberal MLC Dr Nicola Centofanti in Renmark on Sunday night. PHOTOS: Paul Mitchell

Then followed a segment with Murray enjoying time with River Murray Houseboats, and an item featuring St Francis of Assisi College teacher Layne Fenwick, one of several locals to earn a Catholic Education SA scholarship under a regional teaching program.

Murray also filmed a gin-centric segment at 23rd Street Distillery, before a Zoom-like interview with Renmark-born Academy Award-winning cinematographer Dean Semler wound up the show.

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Riverland council budget talks begin as living pressures continue to grow... First rate

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Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton said cost-of-living pressures were front of mind during his council’s current planning process, with the budget expected to be adopted for public consultation next week.

“Council has at all times strived to keep any rate increases to the absolute minimum, while ensuring core services are not reduced,” he said.

“The rate in the dollar will be adjusted across categories to keep rates per property in line with previous levels despite any valuation increases applied by the Valuer General.

“The only rate increase will be to account for CPI increases to costs and this will be shared across the district.”

Mayor Norton said the incoming budget was about “consolidation of council finances to maintain sustainability”, rather than tackling potentially costly new ventures.

“There are several ongoing major projects, and any new projects now could put undue pressure on the budget and lead to increased operating costs which will directly increase depreciation and household rates,” he said.

“There will also be a focus on repairs, upgrades, and replacement



● Trevor Norton



● Ella Winnall



● Tony Siviour

to existing assets and buildings.

“We still have much to catch up on – especially roads, footpath and kerb maintenance works that were postponed during the flood and recovery.”

Berri Barmera Mayor Ella Winnall said she expected the budget to be completed “slightly later than usual” due to a full review of her council’s 10-year Long Term Financial Plan.

“Due to the significant increases in property values across the Berri Barmera area over the past year, it is likely that council will need to reduce its rate-in-the-dollar in

order to keep the resulting rate rises to a modest level,” she said.

“Council is highly aware of the economic pressures in our community, both with the cost of living, as well as the challenges facing our wine grape growers.

“Council is factoring this into budget discussions both in terms of determining the budget, as well as in considering effective hardship policies for those doing it tough.”

Renmark Paringa Council chief executive officer Tony Siviour said he expected the annual business plan to be adopted in July after public consultation.

“Council is still analysing its valuation data and in particular the valuations on wine grape properties, as well as on the natural valuation growth component,” he said.

“So, it is too early to speculate on the level of rates we need to raise.”

Mr Siviour said council would be guided by its long-term financial, infrastructure and asset management plans.

“The impacts of the 2022 River Murray floods and escalating construction costs are perhaps the biggest cost pressures council is experiencing at the moment,” he added.

The Monash Club recently sold a winning Lucky Lotteries Mega Jackpot ticket to an unknown customer. PHOTO: supplied



Monash Club’s mystery \$200,000 lottery winner

A RIVERLAND community club recently sold a winning lottery ticket to a customer that remains unknown.

The Monash Club on Monday posted on its Facebook page to advise someone had purchased a first-prize winning Lucky Lotteries Mega Jackpot ticket at the club.

As of writing, the winner had yet to return to the club to claim their prize,

which would be \$200,000.

A Monash Club staff member advised the person may be unaware of their winnings.

“It could quite possibly be a bonus ticket,” the staff member said.

“Every now and then they will put out a bonus Lucky Lotteries ticket, so it could be one of those.

“Or they could have purchased a

Lucky Lotteries ticket.”

However, the spokesperson advised the winner may be seeking to maintain their anonymity.

“They don’t have to come to us, or any newsagency, to claim the money,” they said.

“They can go to Adelaide and claim it, and remain anonymous that way.”

Police catch drivers committing offences

RIVERLAND police detected four drivers committing traffic offences over the weekend.

On Thursday 25 April, at about 11.45am, heavy vehicle enforcement section stopped a Prime Mover on the Sturt Highway, at Yamba.

The driver, a 26-year-old man from Black Forest, was reported for a false entry in his work diary and he will appear in court at a later date.

Also, on Thursday 25 April, at about 8.12pm, heavy vehicle enforcement section stopped a Suzuki Swift on the Sturt Highway, at Mundic Creek, travelling at 133km/h in a 110km/h zone.

The driver, a 49-year-old Pike River man, was breath tested and returned a positive result of 0.147 and was reported for exceeding the speed limit and drink driving.

He was issued with a six-month instant loss of licence,

had his vehicle impounded for 28 days and will be summonsed to appear in court at a later date.

On Friday 26 April, at about 11.50am, heavy vehicle enforcement section stopped a Mercedes Benz Prime Mover, on the Sturt Highway, at Monash.

The driver, a 24-year-old man from New South Wales, was reported for a false entry and will be summonsed to appear in court at a later date.

On the same day, just after 5.30pm, police stopped a Mercedes Benz on the Sturt Highway, at Good Hope Landing, travelling at 124km/h in a 110km/h zone, with checks revealing the driver, a 49-year-old Paralowie Man, was driving while disqualified.

The man was drug tested and allegedly returned a positive result. He was issued an indefinite driver direction notice and will be summonsed to appear in court at a later date.

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The Loxton Hospital Complex's helipad will be upgraded through a state government investment. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson



Helipad upgrades for local hospitals

TWO Riverland hospitals will receive funding to upgrade helipads in order to better comply with the new Civil Aviation Safety Regulations.

The Riverland General Hospital and the Loxton Hospital Complex will have their helipads upgraded as part of a \$23.4m investment for helipad upgrades in regional South Australia.

The upgrades will improve the safety of hospital operations, which is pivotal to the transport and care of Riverland residents.

The helipads will be widened to have larger landing areas, allowing the new State-wide Rescue Helicopter Service fleet to be able to use them safely during the day and night.

Pathways from helipads to hospitals will be improved, as will lighting, beacons and navigation equipment.

In some areas, safety zones will also be widened to better protect patients and staff when the helipads are in use.

The Riverland General Hospital and Loxton

Hospital Complex are set to be tendered by mid-2024 and will be completed in 2025.

“Currently we are using a designated alternative landing strip for Loxton close to the township. This will continue until the upgrade is complete,” Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network CEO Wayne Champion said.

“We’re delighted that the hospital helipad will soon be up and running again. It’s fantastic news for patients and for staff.”

Accolade wants to hear grower questions

RIVERLAND grape growers have been encouraged to ask direct questions of Accolade Wines surrounding proposed industry changes.

Accolade last month launched a new website aimed at providing local growers information regarding its proposed industry package, to be voted on by CCW members on 21 May.

Accolade chief supply officer Joe Russo said questions from growers, and responses from the company, would be uploaded to the website.

“This is our final proposal to growers on a modernised supply agreement between us and CCW which they will need to vote on at their AGM on 21 May,” Mr Russo said.

“It includes a voluntary buy-out which we know some growers are seeking.

“I urge growers to familiarise themselves with the proposal via the website and submit any questions they may have.

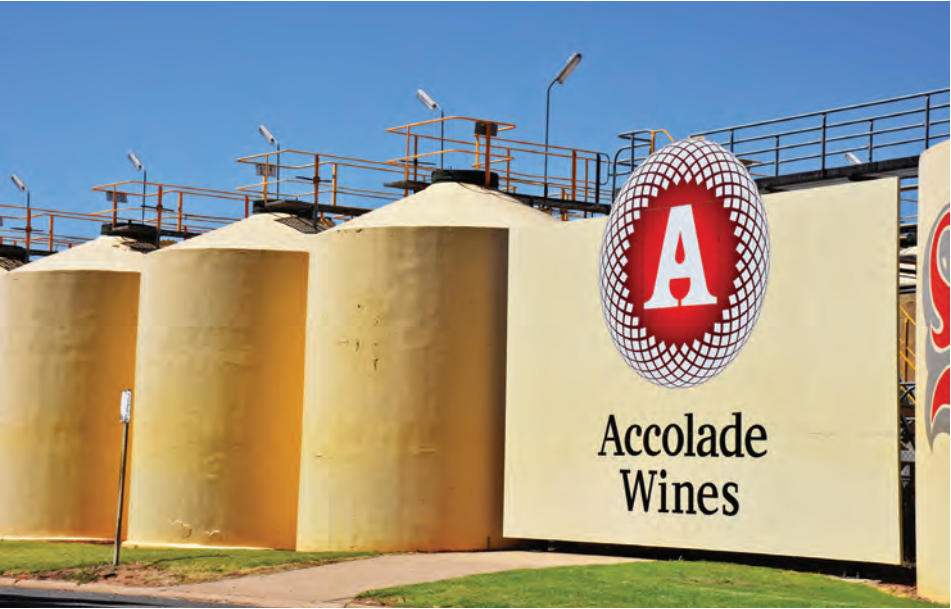
“The website’s Frequently Asked Questions page is being regularly updated, with the full range of questions and answers available on the site.”

It is understood questions answered through the website so far include:

- Are there any other options?
- What is wrong with the current contract?
- Is Accolade trying to split off a group of the largest 100 growers from CCW, as recently claimed in the media?

Accolade has also translated the website for the Riverland’s Punjabi community.

The website can be accessed by visiting (www.sustainableriverlandwine.com.au/).



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Chambers Creek dredging set to benefit boats and Lake Bonney... Go with the flow

NAVIGATION impediments for vessels will be removed and flow into Lake Bonney improved following a decision to dredge Chambers Creek and return the waterway to its pre-flood condition.

The SA government will fund the excavation works, brought about after community members took concerns about the creek's depth to Berri Barmera Council.

A levee – installed to protect infrastructure from the 2022/23 flood – across Chambers Creek at Nappers Bridge was removed by a Berri Barmera contractor, however council said it had since become apparent the waterway was “substantially shallower than its pre-flood condition”.

The community's concerns about the creek were taken to the government, which in turn asked the council to tackle the required remedial works on its behalf.

“As part of this request to council, the State Government has secured the necessary environmental approvals, land owner consent and confirmed that the capital works will be fully funded,” Berri Barmera Council said in a media release this week.

At last week's meeting councilors voted to accept the request, while also asking if the government could remove concrete footings underwater at Chambers Creek remaining from the millennium drought.

“Council is working with the State Government to restore Chambers Creek's depth and functionality...”

“It has not yet been confirmed whether the State Government will include these works within the scope,” the council said.

The removal of the SA government-declared state of emergency, which was in place during the flood, means a return to standard action timelines, as regular approvals must again be adhered to.

Chambers Creek is the sole inlet and outlet of Lake Bonney and council said restoring the waterway to its pre-flood state would benefit the community.

“Council is working with the State Government to restore Chambers Creek's depth and functionality in responding to community concerns,” the council said.

“This collaborative approach will benefit both the environment and the recreational users of Lake Bonney.”



Berri Barmera Council chief executive officer Tim Pfeiffer and Mayor Ella Winnall with community members at Nappers Bridge yesterday to discuss the approved dredging of Chambers Creek. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Renmark rezoning ready for construction of new homes

THE successful rezoning of Renmark land could see up to 10 new homes built in the town.

The State Government on Monday announced a 1.2 hectare parcel of land in Renmark had been rezoned from employment to residential land.

Minister for Housing Nick Champion said creating more housing options in regional South Australia was a priority.

“We are always looking at ways to add housing supply in regional South Australia and this rezoning complements the work we are already doing to increase the supply at all levels of the market,” Mr Champion said.

“Like all our regions, there

is significant stress on the local property market in the Riverland, with an increasing population and incredibly low rental vacancies.

“I hope construction can begin as soon as possible to bring these 10 new homes to the market in a timely manner.”

The parcel of land is located at Lot 4, on Renmark Avenue.

It is understood the proposed rezoning received no objections during a community consultation, which ran for six weeks until 15 November 2023.

It is anticipated the 10 new houses could be built on 350m2 block sizes and can be two-stor





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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

Live from our town

IT’S always interesting to see what story is told when national media visits the Riverland.

A relatively intimate-sized group of locals gathered at the Angove Family Winemakers cellar door, in Renmark, on Sunday night, to see Sky News personality Paul Murray broadcasting live from the town.

Despite the chilly conditions, and a space which could be described as tight, the levels of enthusiasm were high and were quickly demonstrated when the man himself appeared to start the proceedings.

Most are quick to label Murray, correctly, as a holder of right-wing perspectives.

Some might go as far as to describe these perspectives as extreme, divisive, or inflammatory.

Although those are somewhat matters of opinion, Murray has undeniably become a cult hero of the Australian media scene, has built a loyal fanbase and a reputation for not suffering fools.

While doing what he needs to make sure the show is as entertaining for those at home as in the audience, there is also a deliberate balance of views in his weekly shows.

Regular panellist Nicolas Reece would no doubt raise the ire of many viewers from regional areas with his opinions, which may sometimes drift towards being ‘Melbourne-centric’.

This balance was still evident in Sunday evening’s program, where guests from both ends of the political spectrum appeared and were given the chance to praise the region.

And while the discussion, unfortunately or fortunately depending on your way of thinking, avoided many of the bigger political issues, the Riverland’s representatives made the most of the opportunity to highlight the positives.

Maybe a little quizzically for those of us who are experiencing the recovery, a key focus of the program was cementing the Riverland as being over the worst impacts of the 2022/23 flood event.

While this might be re-hashing what locals already know, it is worth considering the relative speed in which metropolitan media outlets ceased the visits to, and coverage of, the region, after the flood peaked.

The program highlighted some of the best aspects of the Riverland lifestyle, and helped promote a major event in the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival to a national viewership.

In further signs of Murray’s down-to-earth approach to his high-profile profession, early in the night he spoke about causing some chaos at Hotel Renmark, and at the end of the show, spent time talking and taking photos with the majority of audience members.



A reflective 100-year-old WWII veteran, bomber pilot Howard Hendrick, Loxton, ANZAC Day 2024, and the Cross of Sacrifice adorned by wreaths, gestures of remembrance and goodwill. The name Anzac, Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, recognises those who served and died in all wars in which the two nations, conjoined as brothers, arose with their respective first nations, but with the same English parentage. The Anzac spirit of mateship is seen as an enduring willingness to give in self-sacrifice, to the ‘laying down of one’s life for a friend’ without loss of a steely sense of humour, nor of bravery under fire. If this was born and first seen at Anzac cove in April 1915, then it was conceived much earlier in the bond of peace as our two nations developed separately yet together, as friends and brothers. Rudyard Kipling’s poem (1897) cried, when the ‘tumult and shouting’ of war subsides, ‘Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet, Lest we forget’. So today, ‘as the years go by’, with Anzac’s like Howard still with us, Anzac Day calls to us, Lest we forget it was ‘because they did what they did, that we can do what we do’. PHOTO: Magarey Collection.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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A quintessential dawn service

WE joined many others on the river bank with the sun rising into a blue sky, the full moon shining in our faces and the birds chirping.

Those gathered, silent and respectful, each with their own thoughts.

The service included all the formalities we expect and diversified into something for everyone. Perfectly presented, loud and clear.

The quintessential dawn service. Thank you Moorook.

It just shows how a small community can arrange and conduct a very successful and impressive event.

Congratulations to all those involved. Bravo.

M NIELSEN
Moorook

Anzac thank you

ON behalf of the Loxton RSL sub branch I would like to say a big thank you to all those people who attended our Anzac Day service here in Loxton.

There appeared to be a substantially larger crowd than normal.

In particular a big thanks to 603 squadron RAAF Cadets for their provision of the catafalque party, the Loxton Scouts for their usual guard of honour, and their significant donation to the RSL, Kenzie King for her valued Anzac Day address, and finally Rod Hondow and his team of volunteers who supplied us with their usual outstanding breakfast.

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all those who attended our annual Anzac Day dinner, in particular the Loxton hospital staff who once again supplied us with an excellent meal, the Loxton High School prefects for waiting on our tables, and our guest speaker Troy for his interesting address.

In these troubled times it was good to see both events well supported.

JIM WEST
President
Loxton RSL sub branch

In reply to Tony’s TV takeaway

I THINK Tony Sharley is asking a lot for irrigators to contribute more water to – in my view – ensure tourism businesses like his can operate (‘Tony’s TV takeaway’, Murray Pioneer, 24/4/24).

Murray-Darling Basin tourism operators enjoy the benefits that the foresight of the pioneers who built the weir systems provided.

They have a weir pool to capitalise on. Pre-weirs there wasn’t much to look at for nine months of the year.

The government pays for the maintenance of this system and if you live in NSW or Victoria, irrigators contribute to the maintenance of the river in its current form that these businesses enjoy.

Tony, you might also want to check the value of tourism. It is minor compared to the export income and jobs that primary production provides.

Don’t get me wrong, I support tourism and have been a tourist myself at times, but I believe tourism businesses like yours enjoy all the benefits of the river system with no cost.

If you want more water in the river, buy some licences, like irrigators have to for their business.

MARK DOECKE
Waikerie

Entertained by the rumours

WOW, what a night at the Berri Hotel on Saturday 27 April when Rumours The Fleetwood Mac Show played and sang their hearts out.

The room was packed with folk of all ages with happy faces,

toes tapping, hands clapping and dancers singing, swaying and laughing.

Thank you for a fantastic evening, including those six wonderful entertainers for getting my nimble, but elderly body on to the dance floor and making me feel young again.

Please come back.

ANN CORNISH
Waikerie

The housing dilemma

AUSTRALIA’S greatest problem is housing.

We have designed a system in which most people are spending most of their money on shelter.

There are good and bad points. The bad news first.

People have given up having children in order to pay rent, so Australia’s future is a child-free zone.

Landlords are sucking the life out of all other businesses, because so many people have to pay so much for rent they don’t spend elsewhere.

So retailers and restaurants are starting to suffer. Our banking industry only wants to invest in the pyramid of our housing scheme, as a result other industries are undercapitalised.

So Australia’s future is a job-free zone.

But there is good news.

Employers won’t have to worry about people working from home, because workers won’t have homes.

Also on the good news front, technology has stepped in to fill the gap. You can now pull up a game and pretend to have a home. Games like Minecraft, The Sims, Fallout, Legend of Zelda, all let you click sadly on your pretend houses. Building and renovating in virtuality.

For those who don’t know, Minecraft is the most popular video game of all time.

How will karma pay us back for intentionally creating a homeless society? I think it will

be when landlords go from their homes into nursing homes, and there are no workers there.

JAKOB GAMERTSFELDER
Morgan

Court ruling cancels SA cancer research

HAVE you heard a federal court has handed down a ruling to end cancer research by Professor Nikolai Petrovsky from Flinders University?

Over 2000 pages of evidence were before the court. This ruling means people in this cancer trial who have terminal cancer have the potential to die soon, rather than have the hope a vaccine specifically developed for their type of cancer. Other previous patients in the trial have lived longer than expected because of this beneficial research.

As this ruling was handed down, a young girl, whose parents took her to China to have brain tumor surgery – to get a sample needed to make a vaccine – will now return to Australia without the hope of the vaccine being made for her specific cancer.

She will not receive it and the potential of death for this young girl is very real. With this ruling, which bureaucrats will be responsible for this girl’s early death?

It appears to me that what is happening is that bureaucrats and a compromised judicial system are shutting down an experienced SA researcher and clinician. The ruling is not only allowing cancer patients to die, but is also leading to the destruction of this man’s research. Why would any court ruling lead to destruction of cancer research that is showing positive results?

That means taxpayers’ money is being spent to destroy research and a cancer trial when cancer rates are exploding?

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- Jakob Gamertsfelder



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not a judicial system working for the benefit of the people.

This appears to me to be a Federal Court, SA Health and Flinders University persecuting a man who has questioned the Covid-19 narrative, a researcher who is truly working for the benefit of cancer patients, and bureaucrats that do not care about the life of ordinary Australians.

We ordinary Australians need to speak up. Cancer is prevalent in our society. We need to support Nikolai Petrovsky and keep his amazing research skills in SA. At present he sees no future in doing research in Australia. He is distraught about the future of his patients in the trail which has been shut down by the federal court ruling.

HEATHER GIBBONS
Robe

Rules to cripple northern Basin

MORE than half a billion dollars a year will be ripped from the local economies of struggling northern Murray-Darling Basin towns under inflated flow targets proposed by the Connectivity Expert Panel.

The flow targets would effectively prevent farmers accessing any water during wet periods under their supplementary and floodplain harvesting licences. At face value, the lost net return from the inevitable hit to food and fibre growing is more than \$520 million every single year. That’s more than half a billion dollars ripped out of the local economies of towns such as Moree, Walgett and Bourke, which are already struggling with entrenched socioeconomic disadvantage, particular in their indigenous communities. The panel admits in its interim report that it does not have the data or modelling to fully assess the potential impacts on upstream users or the benefits to downstream communities of its proposed rules. But that hasn’t stopped it making ill-informed recommendations to impose inflated flow targets that will effectively shut down irrigated agriculture in the northern NSW Basin.

Even after recommending all but shutting down supplementary and floodplain harvesting water access, they want the government to raid farmers’ general security accounts in the public dams if baseflow flows are still not meeting targets.

And just for good measure, there’s an extra kick in the teeth for the Menindee community as well, with a recommendation that it is desirable to minimise



storage in the lakes where possible. This rogue report is cause for alarm across the NSW northern Basin. The NSW Government must distance itself from the connectivity panel now if it is serious about supporting family farms in business and keeping small towns such as Moree and Bourke alive. We cannot afford to continue eroding access to the point farmers can no longer put water aside during wet years to help keep their farms and communities in business during the dry times.

CLAIRE MILLER
CEO
NSW Irrigators’ Council

Nominate local mental health heroes

As co-chairs of the Australian Mental Health Prize, we’re reaching out to Australian communities to encourage nominations for the 2024 prize.

Recent events have underscored the importance of supporting one another during challenging times.

It is also imperative that we have responsible conversations that challenge stigma and misinformation surrounding mental health.

With almost half of

Australians facing mental health challenges in their lifetime, it’s clear that no community is untouched by these issues.

Despite this, mental health funding remains disproportionately low, exacerbating service gaps and leaving marginalised individuals without essential support.

The aftermath of Covid-19 has only intensified these challenges, emphasising the interconnectedness of mental health with broader societal issues. The Australian Mental Health Prize serves as a platform to honour individuals who have made significant contributions to mental health advocacy and service provision.

Nominations for the 2024 prize are open until 8 July, 2024, with winners announced on 23 September.

Categories include Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, lived experience, professional, and community hero.

We urge readers to nominate deserving candidates who have shown outstanding dedication to mental health in their communities.

To nominate, visit the website (www.australianmentalhealthprize.org.au).

Together let’s prioritise mental

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Lucy Brogden and Allan Fels
Co-Chairs
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The climate’s final end?

AS long as planet Earth has been in existence, the climate has been subject to change.

Humans have adapted to climate change to the best of their ability to do so.

The advent of the industrial revolution saw the creation of a new form of climate change, human-induced climate change, caused by burning fossil fuels to create energy.

This has brought into existence a turbo-charged version of climate change, which now challenges all life on the planet.

Big money is involved in burning fossil fuels to create energy.

Will common sense prevail and the practice of burning fossil fuels to produce energy cease?

Or will, the attraction of more wealth rule the day, leading to the final end of life on planet Earth?

Only time will tell.

BRIAN MEASDAY
Kingswood

Looking back...

10 years ago 2 May, 2014



LOW ACT: Members of a local Girl Guide group are “extremely disappointed” flags commemorating deceased servicemen were stolen in a vandalism spree at the Renmark cemetery last weekend. In addition to the stolen flags, various grave sites were tampered with, and a number of metal items and vases were stolen. “Certainly people have been misbehaving out there,” Renmark Paringa Council manager infrastructure Geoff Meaney said.

20 years ago 30 April, 2004



TWO SPORT HALLS PLAN: Berri Barmera Council has committed to funding two indoor sporting stadiums at Berri instead of one state-of-the-art recreation centre as initially proposed. It voted this week to spend \$112,500 helping Berri Primary School build an \$800,000 multi-purpose indoor hall at the school grounds along Sultana St.

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

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Parking in our town is a bit of a joke, Berri Barmera Council, when business owners and workers in those shops are using up parks. Shame on those businesses who are having their cake and eating it, leaving Riverland customers and tourists to go find a park somewhere.

MARIE
Monash

I think all the Riverland guests on Sunday's

Paul Murray Live spoke extremely well and maximised attention for Renmark, and the whole region, in the time they were given. Great work to all.

MARCO
Paringa

We've just had a flood, and plenty of rain in the catchment again this year. With respect to Tony Sharley (*Murray Pioneer*, 24/4/24) and other environmentalists, I don't think the Basin is in

any actual danger of drying or dying. Remember, without irrigators, we're not growing our own food anymore.

CHRIS
Renmark

Indigenous people want to guilt trip others for celebrating Australia Day, but they have a whole week of NAIDOC programs.

KLS
Waikerie

TEXT LINE

Federal Trade Minister says Chinese wine turnaround will be ‘significant’... A fast recovery?

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

AUSTRALIA’S Minister for Trade expects the resumption of wine sales back into China will have “significant” positive impacts for Riverland winemakers and grape growers.

Federal Minister for Trade Don Farrell last week met with Riverland wine industry members and grape growers to discuss current challenges and the reopening of the Chinese market.

Mr Farrell said Australian wine sales into the Chinese market were quickly recovering.

“I’m actually very positive about the future and that’s one of the messages I tried to give to the winemakers and growers,” he said.

“Like the other products that were blockaded into China, we should expect a quick recovery.

“We’re only a couple of weeks out from the opening up of our trade, and already 50 companies are exporting back into China. We’ve sold more wine to China in the last 12 weeks than we did in the previous three years.

“I think what that tells you is there’s a strong demand

for the big, bold red wine we produce in Australia.”

The Federal Government in March announced Chinese tariffs on Australian-produced wine would be removed.

Mr Farrell expected the return of the Chinese market would decrease the current red wine surplus and improve the price for Australian wine.

“There is an issue of price, there’s no doubt about that, but once the surplus gets sucked out of the system, I think we can expect things will return to normal,” he said.

Mr Farrell said positive discussions highlighted the meetings with local industry representatives and growers.

“I was pleasantly surprised,” he said.

“The region has gone through some terrible times... we’re certainly not out of the woods yet by any means, but I think there’s reason to be optimistic and I did sense optimism around the room.

“I wanted to come up here once I knew for certain the Chinese would lift the tariffs. Until I was certain about that, we were still a little in the dark about what the

future looked like.

“I want to try and give some confidence to the industry. It’s easy to be negative about things, and difficult to be positive about things, but I think the turnaround with China will be significant.”

Mr Farrell said the South Australian wine industry had experienced the worst impacts of the Chinese tariffs.

“(Of) the nearly \$1.2bn of exports into China, nearly \$1bn of that came from South Australia, so when those bans were imposed, we were the hardest-hit region,” he said.

“Even if you didn’t export to China, you were affected by the knockdown, as the big companies that did export are now competitive in the domestic market.”

However, Mr Farrell encouraged the local industry to also explore growing opportunities in the Indian, UK and Southeast Asian markets.

“What I particularly encouraged all the winemakers and grape growers... is to never put all your eggs in one basket again,”

“Diversify your trading arrangements.”



Local grape growers and wine industry representatives last week met with Federal Minister for Trade and Tourism Don Farrell. FILE IMAGE

‘Optimism’ from meetings with Don

RIVERLAND grape growers discussed how to maximise export opportunities to China, and potential industry reform measures, with a senior Federal politician.

Local grape growers and wine industry representatives last week met with Federal Minister for Trade and Tourism Don Farrell regarding potential actions to overcome current industry challenges.

Riverland Wine executive officer Lyndall Rowe said the potential benefits of restarting exports to China were highlighted at the meetings.

“The minister emphasised the need for stabilising relationships with China, particularly regarding trade,” Ms Rowe said.

“Despite recent challenges, there was optimism about re-entering the Chinese market. He also confirmed that the Federal Government aims to support regions like the Riverland by exploring alternative and emerging markets such as India.

“With China removing wine tariffs, it’s imperative we strategise how best the Federal Government can extend support to strengthen the Riverland wine industry’s resilience and growth.”

Ms Rowe said the proposal for structural adjustment and the establishment of and industry reform fund by the Federal Government was also discussed with local growers.

“I thank Mr Farrell for taking the time to sit down with wine sellers and grape growers at our request to better understand the challenges and opportunities currently facing the Riverland wine industry,” she said.

“There was consensus in the meetings on the importance of investment, marketing and strategic planning to address challenges and capitalise on opportunities.”

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Clare Scriven said

ongoing communication between growers and the government was necessary.

“I am pleased that (Mr) Farrell has been able to meet with Riverland grape growers and winemakers to hear first-hand the current hardships impacting the region to enable him to advocate for SA growers,” Ms Scriven said.



● Lyndall Rowe

“His visit comes after the recent welcome news of the change to import tariffs on Australian wine into China that he and his federal colleagues have been able to secure, in conjunction with the work done by South Australia to strengthen our state’s relationship with China.”

Ms Rowe said growing international demand for alternative varieties would also present new opportunities for the Riverland wine industry.

“The Riverland is perfectly positioned to take advantage of global trends among emerging and current wine consumers – from varietal mixes, lighter styles of red and low/no alcohol through to unconventional varietals and blends and environmentally friendly packaging,” she said.

“We have the industrial capacity to service rapidly growing markets through our ability to scale up production while remaining competitively priced across a range of categories.

“The critical need for initiatives like the Export Market Development Grant cannot be overstated. Our sales model is intricately tied to the physical presence of our teams on the ground, which emphasises the need for continued support.”

- HUGH SCHUITEMAKER



Renmark Paringa Mayor Peter Hunter with Federal Minister for Trade and Tourism Don Farrell, pictured at last week’s Renmark Paringa Anzac Day ceremony. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

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Winery sale begins

ONE of the region’s largest wineries, which entered administration earlier this year, is now on the market.

Administrators and receivers put Salena Estate Wines on the market last month, with both Elders and Adelaide-based vineyard and winery sales specialist Woodbridge Iles appointed to oversee the sale process.

Elders rural sales executive Adam Chilcott, Elders Riverland sales manager and rural consultant David Kanizay, and Woodbridge Iles’ Russell Iles were appointed joint agents for the sale.

“There’s been some early interest and let’s hope it’s a positive outcome,” Mr Chilcott said.

The “modern, fully-equipped”

15,000 tonne winery features 17m litre tank storage, 206 hectares in total at Bookpurnong and Lyrup, cellar door, restaurant and offices and “significant” warehousing.

The commercial sale also includes a bottling and packing line and fully-equipped laboratory.

Following the business’ collapse in February, \$20m is owed to the main-secured creditor, Westpac, while almost \$4m is owed to a large list of unsecured creditors – a number of which are local businesses and grape growers.

Expressions of interest for Salena Estate Wines closes on Friday 24 May.

- STEPHANIE THOMPSON



Salena Estate Wines is now on the market after the company entered voluntary administration earlier this year. PHOTO: Elders Real Estate

Wedding dress collection exceeds first expectations

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

WHEN a local volunteer recently sat down at the Loxton library to collect wedding dresses to be re-purposed for a worthy cause, she had hoped to get ten.

Instead, 52 wedding dresses were donated by Riverland women to Angel Gowns Australia when Loxton volunteer Rowena Saunders held a special collection day recently.

“I was very much in shock,” she said.

“The Riverland’s wonderful people all came out from everywhere.

“In the first 20 minutes, we had 16 dresses and there were dresses of all different ages, old and new.”

Angel Gowns Australia began 10 years ago and uses donated wedding dresses to create sentimental items for parents to treasure, or bury their baby in.

“There were quite a few women who sat down and had a bit of a chat about when they lost their own child,” Mrs Saunders said.

“There were quite a few tears, but it’s all going for a wonderful and beautiful cause.”

Material from the donated wedding dresses is transformed into gowns, wraps and early loss pouches.

Tulle from donated dresses is crafted into tutus skirts and dress ups which are then gifted to hospitals, charities and directly to families to brighten the day of children who have a serious illness or disability.

Angel Gowns Australia donates items to the Riverland General Hospital, Loxton Hospital Complex and Waikerie Hospital.

Mrs Saunders said the recent collection day was a one-off opportunity, with Angel Gown dress donations currently otherwise closed.

Angel call for local wedding dresses

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

RIVERLAND women who wish to donate their wedding dresses to a worthy cause have the opportunity to do so in the weekend.

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Barmera and Berri pause to remember

ALEXANDRA BULL

OVER 1000 people attended the Garden of Memory Anzac Day Dawn Service at Barmera last Thursday. The service hosted by the Barmera and Berri RSL sub branches, along with support from the Berri Barmera

Council, is often one of the largest attended outside of metropolitan Adelaide. Barmera RSL senior vice-president Neil Cooper said he was “really pleased” with the amount of people who attended the service. “A lot of people came up to me afterwards and said

how much they enjoyed it,” Mr Cooper said. “We have got to remember what our veterans fought and the freedoms they won for us.” Around 200 people also headed back to the Barmera RSL after the Dawn Service for breakfast.



A number of groups, organisations and schools lay wreaths at the ceremony.

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Memorable commemoration at Moorook

AS dawn broke over the water front of Moorook, approximately 220 guests gathered paying their respects to our Anzacs, all who have served and are still serving our nation. A very moving service was conducted by the community, with Adam Brandt’s song The Anzac creating an atmosphere of a service to remember. The Moorook Anzac Day Sub Committee was formed in early March with the aim to unite the local communities of Moorook and Kingston-on-Murray as we commemorate this significant day. A committee member mentioned “the service was one full of pride and gratitude as we honoured all who’ve worn their service

uniform”. “Without a doubt our Anzacs would be overwhelmed with the commitment from everyone, ranging from school students to our veterans, each who stood tall with loyalty, selflessness and courage in their deliverance, the same values instilled in the Anzacs,” they said. Loxton Waikerie councillor Sonya Altschwager presented a commemorative address acknowledging history, our veterans journeys through conflicts and peacekeeping campaigns, and the importance of appreciating all personnel who’ve served and continue to serve our nation. On completion of the service, the communities were offered a complimentary Gunfire Breakfast at the Moorook Community Hall, with commencement of sharing loved ones’ service experiences over a cuppa. Planned community activities continued at the Moorook Bowling Club, with social bowls raising \$200 for Legacy, followed by a great turnout at the Moorook and District Club for the afternoon. Locals and campers enjoyed a volunteer-cooked BBQ while watching the AFL Anzac Day clash. Congratulations to those who organised a great day in Moorook. - Shellbee Pearce

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At the Loxton Anzac Day dawn service last week were Loxton RSL sub-branch president Jim West, World War II veteran Howard Hendrick, Loxton High School 2022 Premier's Anzac Spirit School Prize winner Kenzie King and Loxton RSL sub-branch vice president Robert Manuel.
PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson

Loxton pays its respects

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

THE Loxton RSL president is "in awe" at the bumper crowd that attended last week's Anzac Day dawn service.

Loxton RSL sub-branch president Jim West said about 800 people attended the Loxton service at the Cross of Sacrifice.

"I was really impressed," he said.

Laying a wreath at the Anzac Day dawn service were Loxton Primary School leaders Murphy Yandell and Millah Schwarz-da Silva.



About 800 people attended the Loxton Anzac Day dawn service last Thursday.

"There were substantially more there than last year and there was a really good range of age groups in attendance."

The Loxton Scouts stood guard of honour for the service, with readings from Pastor Jason Sander and Loxton High School student Kenzie King.

Miss King spoke about her great grandfather, World

War II gunner Aza Lenden King.

Miss King was awarded the 2022 Premier's Anzac Spirit School Prize for the written piece.

After the service, attendees were invited back to the Loxton RSL for breakfast.

Mr West said about 150 people had breakfast at the RSL, with proceeds going to Legacy.



Renmark military veterans taking part in the annual Anzac Day march before the town's mid-morning commemoration ceremony. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Huge turnout for Renmark Anzac Day

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

LOCAL support for those who served in the army was showcased by large crowds at Renmark Paringa's Anzac Day services.

More than 1000 people attended Renmark's Anzac Day dawn service and mid-morning ceremony.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Peter Hunter said growing attendance at Anzac Day events illustrated the community's enthusiasm for military history.

"Organisers were very pleased with the numbers," he said.

"Numbers are strengthening rather than decreasing... the support for it appears to be growing, which is fantastic.

"We value that history, and there was a lot of gratitude, which we need to give toward those that served."

Mr Hunter said the addition of a low-flying plane was a highlight of the commemorations.

"I was standing next to Renmark RSL vice president Margaret (Gitsham), and she spoke about what a spine chilling moment it was to hear that plane so low," he said.

"That was a nice touch. I congratulate the RSL on their organisation of the day."

Renmark RSL secretary, and Vietnam veteran, Tony Guster, said support for local veterans remained strong throughout the community.

"Renmark has had a very, very strong representation in the armed forces over the years and a percentage of people that have joined both world wars and Vietnam is one of the highest in the nation so it's a very big thing here," Mr Guster told The Advertiser last week.

"The whole thing has become very important to our culture and it's been very gratifying."

The mid-morning ceremony was also attended by Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone and Federal Minister for Trade Don Farrell.

Mr Hunter said a speech from Renmark High School student Rachel Files – regarding the Australian Women's Land Army – was also well received by attendees.

"It's great to include the youth... because that mix of ages, experiences and backgrounds helps to bring it together," he said.

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Loxton Waikerie councillor Kent Andrew (left), Chaffey MP TimWhetstone, Loxton Waikerie deputy mayor Clive Matthews and Loxton Waikerie councillor Gary Pfeiler at the Anzac Day Service at Waikerie. PHOTOS: Christine Webster



Waikerie's Army Cadets, the local CFS, and veterans from Vietnam and other more recent conflicts took part in Waikerie's traditional Anzac Day march.

Waikerie community honours veterans

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

WAIKERIE's Anzac Day service drew a crowd of more than 500 people of all ages.

The commemorations last Thursday began with a march by Waikerie's Army Cadets, the local CFS, and veterans from Vietnam and other more recent conflicts, along Lawrie Terrace to the corner of Cates Avenue and into the

town's soldiers' memorial park.

Waikerie RSL Sub Branch president Paul Croft said local support for the international day of remembrance was growing.

He said the children and grandchildren of veterans who had passed also took part in the march.

Father David Patterson, from the Anglican Parish, conducted the service and the Waikerie Army Cadets

provided the catafalque party.

Australian Army piper Glenn Verona, from Adelaide, also performed throughout the morning.

National Commander of Australian Army Cadets Brigadier Ben Slaughter spoke at the service.

Waikerie entertainer and musician Darrin Trandafil sang the Australian National Anthem.

Among those who laid wreaths

at the Cross of Sacrifice were Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, Loxton Waikerie deputy mayor Clive Matthews and Loxton Waikerie councillors Gary Pfeiler and Kent Andrew.

Floral tributes were also laid by representatives from the Waikerie CFS, the local RSL, Waikerie Men's Shed and Australian Red Cross-Waikerie.

Students from the Ramco, Waikerie and Waikerie Lutheran Primary Schools, Waikerie Children's Centre, and Waikerie High School also laid wreaths.

Mr Croft said tourists were among those who attended the service.

"People were coming into the club a few days before to check when the service was on," he said.

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Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone last month raised concerns in Parliament regarding a recent inappropriate presentation to year 9 Renmark High School students. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

MP takes Renmark High presentation to parliament

A LOCAL politician has asked for a response from the Department for Education in regard to a controversial presentation made at Renmark High School in March.

In a State Parliament question time on 8 April, Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone asked Minister for Education, Training and Skills Blair Boyer, “how does the Minister respond to concerns raised from my community after a presentation at Renmark High School on March 22?”

The presentation by headspace Berri, made to female year 9 students at Renmark High School, was supposedly about respectful relationships, however students were subject to graphic content and images, with a number of parents

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“Mistakes were made, policies and procedures that are in place for a very important reason were not followed...”

- Blair Boyer

raising concerns.

Mr Boyer said he was “happy to have the opportunity to address the concerns Mr Whetstone rightfully raises”.

“I won’t in any way seek to defend the presentation given to those Renmark High Students. It was inappropriate, mistakes were made, policies and procedures that are in place for a very important reason were not followed, and the reference to bestiality and incest was inappropriate and did not have a place in that presentation,” he said.

Mr Boyer used the opportunity in question time to point out the context in which bestiality and incest was used.

“I might use the opportunity to point out the context they were used in. They were used in an attempt to explain some of the horrific vilification the LGBTQIA+ community has received historically where it was likened acts of incest and bestiality to sex between same sex couples,” he said.

“It has been to explained to me that the effort the presenter was making, it was not done appropri-

ately and it had no place in a presentation to high school students like that.”

Mr Boyer said there were “a number of things the department is seeking to do to make sure this cannot happen again”.

“I understand it was Focus One who sought the services of this person who gave this presentation and they have been suspended,” he said.

“We have done a lot of investigation around whether or not the person they approached to actually give the presentation has done so

in any others of our schools and the advice I have received at this stage is that this has not occurred which is a good thing.

“We have put communications to our schools about the obligation they have to follow the very important policies and procedures that are in place around making sure parents are notified when these sessions are going to occur to give them the ability to withdraw their child from their presentation if they want and making sure that staff are present in the room at all times.”

Councillor critical of Loxton Waikerie’s tree chat

A NEIGHBOURING councillor has added his voice to community chatter over the name change of an historic Loxton tree.

Loxton Waikerie council’s decision last year to change the name – from Tree of Knowledge to Loxton’s Flood Tree of Knowledge – has generated plenty of mostly negative public feedback.

The tree is again in the news after its name was discussed at the council’s meeting last month, when it was revealed that a sign bearing the new name was yet to placed, due to the negative response.

Mayor Trevor Norton effectively ended the discus-



Berri Barmera councillor Trevor Scott has criticised the proposed name change of Loxton’s Flood Tree of Knowledge.

sion by suggesting elected members send any feedback to the Loxton Community

Assessment Panel, which in turn can send its latest recommendation back to council.

Published in last week’s Murray Pioneer, the story again generated plenty of talk when posted to The Pioneer’s Facebook page on the weekend.

Feedback included criticism of the council from Berri Barmera councillor – and former deputy mayor – Trevor Scott.

“Surely there are far more important things to be discussing in council,” Mr Scott said via his personal Facebook account.

“Why change a long-standing name? Goodness me.”

Renmark Paringa keeps same animal fees

A RIVERLAND council will avoid increasing animal fees this year in an aim to promote increased animal registrations.

Renmark Paringa councillors at last week’s general meeting passed a motion to keep 2024/25 animal fees and charges at the same rates as in 2023/24.

A council report on the matter said maintaining the current levels would “help encourage compliance with the requirement to register your dog”.

“Staff have consulted with the other Riverland councils, who have advised they will not be increasing their dog registration fees,” the report said.

Renmark Paringa animal management fees – 2024/25

- Registration – non-standard dog \$70
- Registration – standard dog (desexed and microchipped) \$35
- Concession registration – non-standard dog \$40
- Concession registration – standard dog \$20


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- Working dog – \$15
- Greyhounds – \$20
- Assistance dog – no charge
- Penalty for late registration – \$20
- Business registration (per dog and must comply with section 35 of the Act) – \$25
- Impounding fee – initial seizure \$60
- Impounding fee – each 24 hours or part 24 hours – \$30
- Dog surrender – \$200
- Cat surrender – \$60
- Cat trap hire (bond) – \$55



RMCLHN chief executive officer Wayne Champion recently gave a deputation to Renmark Paringa council regarding actions being taken to increase regional access to mental health support. FILE PHOTO

Local health network targets better mental health support

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

THE Riverland’s peak health network recently told local councillors work is being done to improve access to mental health support.

Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) gave a deputation at Renmark Paringa Council’s March general meeting regarding action being taken towards recommendations from the Review of Rural Mental Health Services in South Australia report, released in May 2023.

RMCLHN chief executive officer Wayne Champion said increasing regional accessibility to mental health support was an ongoing goal.

“On 5 October 2023, the (RMCLHN) launched its inaugural Mental Health Services Plan,” Mr Champion said.

“The five-year blueprint details how high-quality specialist mental health services across the region will be developed which promote dignity, choice, and independence.

“We have already boosted our workforce by employing two additional psychiatrists, a psychologist and mental health nurses to work across the community and our two busiest emergency departments in Murray Bridge and Berri.”

“We have already boosted our workforce by employing two additional psychiatrists, a psychologist and mental health nurses...”

- Wayne Champion

Mr Champion said upgrades of record-keeping processes were also required in regional hospitals.

“We are also taking a lead role in the implementation of South Australia’s state-wide Electronic Medical Record (EMR) across all of regional South Australia,” he said.

“The state-wide EMR will be implemented across hospitals in the Riverland between May and August this year.”

There’s nothing boring about this history

RIVERLANDERS are invited to experience a night showcasing local history with an annual Loxton event.

The Loxton History Sure Ain’t Boring event returns next week as part of the SA History Festival.

The evening – running for its 12th year – consists of three 25-minute presentations based on historical stories from the region.

This year’s guest speakers are:

- Ngarrindjeri elder Sheryl Giles
- John Peterson and Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton

Justine Fogden

The event is being held at the Loxton Sporting Precinct, on Tuesday, beginning at 7pm.

Tickets are available from the Loxton Library & Visitor Information Centre, or at the door.

Renmark Lions supporting kids movie morning

A RENMARK community group has worked with a local supermarket to support an event for children with a disability.

Kidsflix is a program run by The Hospital Research Foundation Group, based in Adelaide. The program provides a free movie morning along with entertainment for children with a disability, special needs, illness and social disadvantage and their carers or immediate family.

The group has been hosting an event in Renmark at the Chaffey Theatre for many years and will next be at the theatre on Saturday. The events are only possible with the support of kind donations from residents and organisations in the area.

Following an approach from Hospital Research Foundation Kidflix program co-ordinator Joy Weil, the Lions Club of Renmark agreed to support this event. The club approached Woolworths Renmark to purchase suitable biscuits for the participants to enjoy as they watch the movie.

Renmark Lions catering co-ordinator, Steve Johnson approached Woolworths Renmark manager Steve Vowles, resulting in Woolies partnering with the club to provide biscuits and fruit at the event.

Renmark Lions Club president Paul Farr said “our members felt that we should support this group on this occasion in response to their request”.

“We are pleased to partner with Woolworths with the provision of food for these special kids and their carers/families as they enjoy the movie,” Mr Farr said.

Storage boost for Waikerie groups

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

WAIKERIE community groups and a business will soon have access to better storage, with a local council finalising leases.

Loxton Waikerie council is building a new five-bay shed at Lot 100, Cliff Street, Waikerie, and offered a five-year lease to Santa’s Cave, and Waikerie and District’s Community Flower Show committee.

Southern Cross Cleaning Company, which is council’s contract cleaner, will also be offered a \$100 per month lease for the term of their existing contract.

Loxton Waikerie council director of commercial and community services Andrew Waters said Christmas decorations will also be stored on behalf of the Waikerie Christmas decoration committee.

“The Christmas decoration group... aren’t an official committee, nor are they volunteers of council or an incorporated body,” he said.

“We’ve said council will hold that bay on their behalf.

“But if they are going in and out, they will probably need to become official volunteers of council and do that paperwork.”

The shed is expected to be completed early in the next financial year.

Waikerie’s Santa’s Cave was offered two bays, while the Waikerie and District’s Community Flower Show Committee and Southern Cross Cleaning Company will share a bay.

The remaining two bays will house the Christmas decorations.

“Essentially we’ve accommodated most people’s needs, I believe,” Mr Waters said.

In a report to councillors, it stated that both council and local community groups are currently storing items in the Waikerie Institute, limiting opportunities for venue hire or renovations.

Loxton Waikerie council purchased the land at Lot 100 Cliff Street in March 2018 for \$88,000, with a plan to extend shedding and storage for council and community purposes.

The Waikerie Community Storage Sheds has a project budget of \$100,000



What does it mean to be a Riverlander? Send us an email, or comment on our Facebook post and we’ll compile a list for next week’s paper.

Are you a Riverland local?

PAST and present locals took to social media and directly to The Murray Pioneer to share how they know they are from Waikerie.

In recent weeks, the Murray Pioneer has compiled lists about each major Riverland town to find out what it means to be a local.

In our final week, we want to find out what it means to be a Riverland local.

This is an opportunity for those from the Riverland’s smaller towns, such as Paringa, Monash, Lyrup, Moorook or Ramco, to get involved.

A list compiling some of the top answers for the Riverland will be published in next week’s Murray Pioneer.

Answers can be emailed to (stephanie.thompson@murraypioneer.com.au), or visit our Facebook page and find the post (facebook.com/TheMurrayPioneer).

Answers must be received by 10am, Monday 6 May.

YOU KNOW YOU’RE A WAIKERIE LOCAL WHEN...

- ☐ You hung out at ‘Rads’ after partying at Oscars.
- ☐ You know where/what the snake pit was.
- ☐ Chucking a lap round the roundabout was the highlight of your youth.
- ☐ You can do a river run before you go to work.
- ☐ You can pronounce the name Waikerie properly.
- ☐ You constantly refer to travelling to other Riverland towns as ‘going up river’.
- ☐ You have come to expect the ‘two head’ jokes.
- ☐ You put your rubbish into orange-shaped bins in the main street for the last 20 years and have to get used to silver moths now.
- ☐ You’ve been on the field thanks to the care of Jon Matthews.
- ☐ You do a ‘river run’ along the best riverfront in the Riverland.
- ☐ You spent your whole childhood bragging that Mark Ricciuto was also from Waikerie.
- ☐ You sneeze and everyone knows.
- ☐ You know you are a local when Nippy’s is right at your doorstep.

SA HISTORY MONTH MAY 2024

The Chaffey Theatre's 40th birthday celebrations feature as part of South Australia's History Festival 2024. FILE PHOTO



Power in Riverland history

SHOWCASING the Riverland's past will be a key aspect of South Australia's History Festival 2024.

Every single one of us has a story. Some of these stories are grand and far-reaching, others are quiet and personal.

Some are handed down as lasting relics, others are broadcast widely or uploaded with fleeting regard for their permanence.

The theme for the 2024 festival, being run by the History Trust of SA, is power.

Riverland History Festival 2024 events include:

- ❑ **A Tale of Two Times, Then and Now**
Throughout May, during opening hours
Berri Visitor Centre, Riverview Drive, Berri
- ❑ **Chaffey Theatre's 40th Birthday**
Sunday 19 May, 10am to 2.30pm Chaffey Theatre, 17th Street, Renmark
- ❑ **Barmera Pioneer Museum Historic Displays**
Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday in May, 10am to 2pm
Rocky's Hall of Fame and Pioneers Museum 1 Fowles Street, Barmera
- ❑ **Barmera Township and Region Historic Photo Display**
Throughout May, 10am to 9pm
Barmera Hotel Motel, 31 Barwell avenue, Barmera
- ❑ **Berri Town Walk**
Throughout May, during opening hours
Berri Visitor Centre, Riverview Drive, Berri
- ❑ **Celebrating 25 Years: Berri Library**
Throughout May, during opening hours
- ❑ **Berri Library**
Kay Avenue, Berri
- ❑ **Chaffey Theatre's 40th Birthday**
Sunday 19 May, 10am to 2.30pm Chaffey Theatre, 17th Street, Renmark
- ❑ **Handmade by Doris: Celebrating a Bygone Era**
Throughout May, during opening hours
Waikerie Library and Visitor Centre 1A Strangman Road, Waikerie
- ❑ **Innovation and Cultural Change: RIT's Channels to Pipes Program 1968-1977**
Wednesday 29 May, 3pm to 4.30pm
Renmark Paringa Library, James Avenue, Renmark
- ❑ **Loveday Internment Camp Display**
Throughout May, during opening hours
Barmera Central, Barwell Avenue, Barmera
- ❑ **Loxton Historical Village**
Every Tuesday to Sunday in May, 10am to 4pm
Loxton Historical Village, Allen Hosking Drive, Loxton
- ❑ **Loxton Library: Past, Present, Community**
Throughout May, during opening hours
Loxton Public Library, 25A East Terrace, Loxton
- ❑ **Power of the Volunteer**
Saturday 4 May, 11am to 12 noon
Olivewood Historic Homestead and Museum, Twentyfirst Street, Renmark
- ❑ **The Power of the Stitch**
Throughout May, during opening hours
Barmera Public Library, 4 Barwell Avenue, Barmera
- ❑ **Through Their Eyes**
Wednesday 1 May to Friday 24 May, during opening hours

Loxton Historical Village welcomes history month

LOCALS and visitors are invited to immerse themselves in all things history at an iconic Loxton tourism attraction this May.

The Loxton Historical Village features the stories of early settlers and their families, with over 40 buildings setting the scene and showcasing exhibits and memorabilia.

The village is open Tuesdays through to Sundays and curator Roselyn Sincock said it embodied the spirit of the South Australian History Festival.

"The village is a great place to visit for history month," she said.

Village visitors are able to view the extensive range of machinery and vehicles, climb aboard a steam engine and take a seat at an original desk in the school.

In addition to the village's fascinating displays and information about yesterday, another annual bus tour will take place.

"The previous two were to Taldra and Taplan, so this one will be to Alawoona," Mrs Sincock said.

"It's invitation only and what we normally do is invite former residents from the particular towns that we go to, to bring along memorabilia and talk about the old times and stories they have."

"It's very popular."

The Loxton Historical Village is open six days a week. For more information, visit the website (thevillageloxton.com.au).



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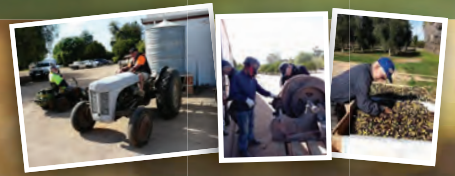
Theme: 'Power of the Volunteer'

Olivewood Historic Homestead & Museum will be launching a "Members Memorial Wall" to honour past members.

They were instrumental in setting up the Renmark Branch of the National Trust which was the first branch in South Australia in 1956.

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SUPPORTING THE CAUSE: Peter Schramm (second from right), of the SA Carp Frenzy organisation group, took part in Sunday's Bloody Long Walk, and on behalf of the group made a donation of \$2000 to the Mito Foundation, PHOTO: supplied



Spoil your mum this Mother's Day

Mother's Day is the perfect time to celebrate how much you love and appreciate your mum, whether that be with flowers, a delicious lunch or just some quality time together.

Mother's Day this year falls on Sunday, 12 May, and with the day fast approaching, now is a great time to start planning how you are going to celebrate the mums in our lives.

The Riverland has plenty of options when it comes to celebrating Mother's Day, including eateries, excellent walking trails and picnic spots, and places to pamper mum.

The Riverland has plenty to offer when it comes to spoiling your mum this Mother's Day.



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Or perhaps visit the Big River Tavern for some lunch before heading out to play some golf if that is what your mum is keen on for her special day.

The Lavender Café will also be open on Mother's Day with a huge variety of breakfast and lunch options. The café will also have live acoustic music on the day, so you will be hard pressed to find a better spot to celebrate your mum next Sunday.

So, whether it's a walk by the river, a meal out or a picnic in the park, the Riverland has plenty to offer when it comes to spoiling your mum this Mother's Day.

Activities for this Mother's Day

- 1. Do what she loves:** Whether it is a walk along the river, a picnic in the park or an afternoon out on the boat, embrace what your mum loves and make it a day for her.
- 2. Keep it simple:** Sometimes less is more, and this Mother's Day, maybe spending a relaxed day at home is just what your mum wants. You can never go wrong with breakfast in bed, a home cooked lunch and a day spent at home with family.
- 3. Make something for her:** Whether it's a homemade card, a piece of artwork or even some jewellery, mums love nothing more than a homemade, sentimental gift that they will love for years to come.

4. Help tackle her to do list: Mums seem to have a never-ending list of things to do around the house, so let mum have a sleep-in and tackle some chores to make her week a little bit easier.

5. Plan a movie night: Sometimes there is nothing better than spending a Sunday afternoon on the couch, so pick your mums favourite movie, grab her favourite snacks and drinks and get comfy for an afternoon of good movies and quality time with mum.

6. Spend quality time with her: Maybe what your mum wants the most this Mother's Day is just a bit of quality time with her family. It might be having a cup of coffee and breakfast with her in the morning, or walking to grab some lunch with her, sometimes the best present of all is quality time.



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Marlie(left), Emily, Grace and David O’Shannessy from Mount Barker stayed in the cabins at Waikerie and were in the region for the True Grit military style obstacle course at Cadell. PHOTO: Christine Webster



Voucher last round boosts Waikerie economy

CHRSTINE WEBSTER

A RIVERLAND West holiday park has received more than \$20,000 in bookings from the South Australian Tourism Commission’s third and final round of River Revival vouchers. A ballot from 19 February to 20 February gave residents in SA and cross border communities in Victoria and New South Wales the chance to win vouchers offering tourism experiences in the state’s River Murray regions. Those who won vouchers were eligible to make bookings during the period of 21 February to 27 March, for tourism experiences from 22 February until 30 June. Edwards Group CEO Stephen Edwards said the Waikerie Holiday Park, which his company owns, received 75 bookings,

“The voucher program has been really important for our business and many tourism businesses within the Riverland...”

- Stephen Edwards

resulting in about 150 guests from the latest voucher program. He said these tourists were from South Australia and mainly from Adelaide. “The voucher program has been really important for our business and many tourism businesses within the Riverland,” Mr Edwards said. “This has been an absolute lifesaver coming out of the floods,” he said. Mr Edwards said the floods had a serious impact on many people and businesses in the region. “The release of the third round of vouchers has enabled us to extend the benefit to more

people to come up and see the Riverland and to see that it is back to its glorious best,” he said. Mr Edwards said tourists staying at the Waikerie Holiday Park would also contribute to the Riverland economy. “It means more spending in the local community at shops, cafes and restaurants,” he said. The Waikerie Holiday Park has received bookings across the entire timeframe the last round of vouchers covered. Mr Edwards said this enabled tourists to experience the area across summer, autumn, and winter, and periods outside school holidays.

He said eight new cabins, installed at the holiday park in Waikerie about two years ago, were welcome additions. “The guests love the higher end type cabins that we have put in, that are more modern and a bit more spacious,” Mr Edwards said. “Cabins are something people are requiring more of these days,” he said. “These people tend to spend more money at the holiday park and in Waikerie as well.” Mr Edwards said during the school holidays this month, the Waikerie Holiday Park was enjoying more than 80 per cent occupancy for its cabins.

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PAGE 25 ‘Lifelong’ Lions



Enjoying the Waikerie Holiday Park’s atmosphere on Friday were: Ava and her mum Simone Ward of Waikerie and Melody Gilroy and her daughter Indiana (obscured) of Mount Barker and Ryder Ward of Waikerie. PHOTO: Christine Webster

Waikerie weather a tourist drawcard

AMONG the tourists enjoying the school holidays at the Waikerie Holiday Park were Melody Gilroy, and her husband and two children, from Mount Barker. It was the second trip to the Riverland in six months for the Gilroys, who were visiting the Ward family, who have moved back to Waikerie after living in Mount Barker. Ms Gilroy said the Riverland was an ideal destination for a family holiday. “The climate is definitely an improvement on Mount Barker, when we left this morning (Friday) it was freezing and raining,” she said. “After we got here, we were then having to wear sunscreen and hats, the climate in Waikerie is usually nice.” Ms Gilroy said her children had enjoyed catching up with their former school friends and the experience of being on the river in a speedboat and donut ski tube. Ms Ward said the holiday park at Waikerie was appealing to families because of its close location to playgrounds, a bike track, and shops. “You can just walk everywhere,” she said.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER

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AG INSIGHT: Waikerie High School year 7 agriculture students checking their wheat seeds as part of the Growing Great Grains investigation. PHOTO: supplied

ac.care invites you to get chatty

A LOCAL support organisation's new initiative is set to help Riverlanders seeking increased social interaction.

ac.care recently announced the launch of the Riverland's first weekly Chatty Café, being held at Sunbake Café Berri, in the Riverland Central Shopping Centre.

Community Connections Riverland support worker Sue Dayman said providing a safe and comfortable social space, and reducing social isolation in country communities, were goals of the initiative.

"Building friendly social connections does not need to take grand gestures, it is often the simple and small things like a brief chat that can brighten someone's day," Ms Dayman said.

"Our Chatty Café pro-

vides that safe, social space where people from all walks of life can come together and chat for a minute or an hour – the choice is theirs.

"We know that forming these connections can take time and that is why we are going to meet weekly on Mondays, allowing people to return or new faces to join in and simply have a chat."

Ms Dayman said other social activities were also held at the Berri Community Centre.

"Everyone is welcome at Berri Community Centre, whether you are coming in for a coffee or to grab some fresh produce, seeking support from our programs or just looking to connect with others," she said.

"We continue to learn more about how social isolation affects mental health

and general wellbeing so we feel it is important to provide regular opportunities for people to come together and meet new people.

"Through our existing programs, it has been rewarding to see people try new things, showcase their own skills or simply just have a good time in company.

"The Chatty Café is another opportunity for our community to form those connections and friendships with local people."

The Chatty Café is held Mondays, from 10am to 11.30am, at Sunbake Café Berri, at Riverland Central Shopping Centre.

For more information contact Ms Dayman on 8580 5300, or visit the ac.care Berri Community Centre at 5 Kealley Street, Berri.



Community Connections Riverland support worker Sue Dayman is ready to chat at Sunbake Café Berri, every Monday, as part of the Riverland's first Chatty Café. PHOTO: supplied

Annual awards recognising South Australia's best for VET

NOMINATIONS are open for a state award program that has helped a local winner "open doors" in the construction industry.

The State Government last month opened nominations for the 2024 vocational education and training (VET) awards.

Berri local Hugo Kregar said winning the 2023 Apprentice of the Year award had provided a foundation for future industry success.

"Being recognised as the SA Apprentice of the Year has brought immense pride to both myself and my family," Mr Kregar said.

"From a young age I had a strong desire to complete an apprenticeship, knowing it was an excellent way to begin my career in construction. As an aspiring apprentice I always looked up to young leaders in the industry, so it is very humbling to be recognised through this award.

"I believe apprenticeships are one of the best ways to begin a successful career and the awards have given me a platform to inspire and encourage others to undertake this pathway.

"Winning the State award along with completing my apprenticeship, has opened so many doors to progress my career. I've taken on a new role as a building estimator, using the skills learnt from my carpentry apprenticeship and my construction manage-

ment degree that I am currently undertaking."

Individual award categories include:

- ❑ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year
 - ❑ Apprentice of the Year
 - ❑ School-based Apprentice or Trainee of the Year
 - ❑ Trainee of the Year
 - ❑ Vocational Student of the Year
 - ❑ VET Teacher/Trainer of the Year
 - ❑ Lifetime Achievement Award
- Organisational award categories include:
- ❑ Industry Collaboration
 - ❑ Small Employer of the Year
 - ❑ Large Employer of the Year

Minister for Education, Training and Skills Blair Boyer said the awards "showcase the talents of training organisations, students and employers who are leading the way".

"The South Australian Training Awards are an important opportunity to recognise the outstanding achievements of apprentices, trainees, training organisations, students, and employers," Mr Boyer said.

"More than ever before, our TAFE and vocational training sector is critical to giving South Australians the skills they need for the jobs they want.

"We have a big job ahead of us to signifi-

cantly increase our skilled workforce to meet the demands of our emerging defence industry and other areas of growth in our state.

"Our investments in the wider skills sector will help us to meet the demands of the exciting period of growth ahead of us and it's important that along that journey, we recognise the outstanding talents of those in the sector."

SA skills commissioner Cameron Baker said improving the skills sector was critical for the state's economic future.

"Through these awards we want to recognise the incredible quality, diversity and ingenuity in VET across our state," Mr Baker said.

"I encourage you to get involved in this awards program by nominating yourself, encouraging others to nominate or simply spreading the word.

"You may know someone who's an outstanding teacher, trainer, or long-serving member of the VET sector, you may be aware of a business committed to building and developing its people through training, or you may be one of our state's outstanding training providers delivering high quality training and shaping our future workforce.

"You might be a passionate apprentice or trainee who's making a positive impact in



● Hugo Kregar

your industry or someone who has overcome challenges and is now thriving because of your training. Now is the time to share your story."

Nominations for the VET awards close on 25 May, with winners to be announced on 25 September.

Further information regarding applications can be found by visiting the website (www.trainingawards.sa.gov.au/).



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The Renmark Paringa Community Museum will on Sunday open its new exhibit dedicated to the history of the ps Industry...



Brenton Beal, Barry Clark and Dave Lawlor at the Renmark Paringa Community Museum's new ps Industry exhibit. PHOTOS: supplied



Denis Smith helping prepare the exhibit.

Ready to launch Industry history

FOLLOWING a discussion between Renmark Paringa Community Museum chairman Wayne Howell and Denis Smith, of the Friends of the ps Industry (FOTI), it was agreed to evaluate the potential of establishing a memorabilia and historical display for the ps Industry within the museum site.

The FOTI Committee gave approval to further evaluate the proposal and subsequently agreed to proceed with the construction.

Denis took on the management of the construction. Funding for the upgrade of

the rotunda, which houses the ps Industry display, was made possible by grants from the Renmark Club, the RAA and FOTI.

Additional sponsors and volunteer assistance is recognised within the display. Among the donations and features of the display were several artworks by Janet Beal, featuring the ps Industry.

With more than 400 hours of work, Denis and his team of Dave Lawlor, Brenton Beale and Barry Clark have reached practical completion of the display.

FOTI extends its thanks

to Denis and his team for their dedication in preparing, collecting and collating material for the display. much of which had been stored in various locations around the area, and putting it into one location for the appreciation of the public.

An official opening of the display is being held at the museum, in conjunction with other events, on Sunday, and coincides with ps Industry passing under the Paringa Bridge at 9.30am on her trip down to the Berri slip for survey and maintenance.

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The exhibit will be opened this Sunday during a museum event.



Janet Beal, whose artwork features in the exhibit, with grand-daughter Sarah.



HART WORKS ROLL ALONG: Landscaping works for the Hart Lagoon Wetland redevelopment were started last week by Loxton Waikerie council. Final touches for earthworks are expected to be complete this week, with a clay liner also installed for the water storage pond. PHOTO: supplied



In 1953 Bessi O'Brien moved from WA to the Riverland, where she met and fell in love with Don Miller. The couple were married on 17 April 1954 and celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary last week. PHOTOS: supplied

Berri couple's diamond anniversary

BERRI couple Don and Bessie Miller celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary last week.

The couple's diamond anniversary fell on 17 April.

Bessie (nee O'Brien) arrived in Berri in 1953 from Western Australia with her girlfriend, to begin an adventure of working and travelling Australia.

She commenced her working life in Berri at the packing shed, where she also boarded.

During this time she met Don Miller, a

former Glossop High School student who lived locally.

They fell in love, married in 1954, then started their married life together by living in Monash. They later moved to Berri, where they have lived and worked ever since.

Don and Bessie had five children (Lorraine, Gary, Carol, Kym and Sandra), 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.



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Ellen Traeger and Lyn Wilkinson were among the local volunteers recognised last year at Renmark Paringa Council’s Volunteer Recognition Morning Tea. PHOTOS: supplied

Help celebrate our valued volunteers

A LOCAL council will again host its annual volunteer recognition event to celebrate contributions of the many volunteers within the community.

Renmark Paringa Council is inviting the community to nominate a local volunteer or group to be recognised at its Volunteer Recognition Morning Tea on Monday 20 May.

The recognition program is part of National Volunteer Week.

Renmark Paringa Council will hold its annual Volunteer Recognition Event at Hotel Renmark later this month as part of National Volunteer Week.

Submissions are now open for the community to nominate local volunteers or group who they believe deserve to be thanked for their service.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Peter Hunter said the recognition program was an opportunity to formally recognise and thank the community’s valuable volunteers.

“We all enjoy our sports clubs, community clubs and community functions,” he said.

“We all appreciate the extra time that is freely given to support student learning, garden clubs, Lions, Rotary and special interest groups, but how often do we stop and reflect on the significant work that volunteers

do to make the sporting season or event successful?

“I call on everyone who is involved in these organisations to look around them and consider nominating a volunteer to be formally recognised and thanked by the Renmark Paringa Council.”

Mr Hunter said the recognition program was significant to the volunteers celebrated as part of the event.

“Volunteers from previous years commented on how humbled they were that someone actually valued their work, their service to the community and took steps to nominate them,” he said.

“Many of them had worked for many years as a volunteer and sometimes felt that their service was expected rather than valued.

“Nominating a volunteer can help to turn this around into positive recognition and feeling good about their service to others.”

Mr Hunter said the contribution from volunteers helps many local events and programs “flourish”.

“There are very few activities within our community that are not supported by volunteers in one way or another,” he said.

“This can be by leading groups, working in the back-



Renmark Paringa Mayor Peter Hunter speaking at the event.

ground (often not seen) or assisting others in their work.

“Service by volunteers is also valuable to the volunteer themselves. For being able to improve what the organisation offers and seeing the community flourish.

“Thank you one and all for your kind contribution and unselfish service for others.”

To nominate a volunteer visit the website (www.engagement.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/renmark-paringa-volunteer-recognition).

Hard-copies of the nomination forms are also available at the Renmark Paringa Civic Centre or the Renmark Public Library.

Nominations close on Monday 13 May.

It’s a plane! Safety check in Renmark

RENMARK residents have been advised a low-flying aircraft will undertake a safety exercise in the town.

The Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) will on Tuesday use an aircraft to conduct flight path safety checks around the Renmark aerodrome.

A CASA statement said the process would ensure instrument procedure flight paths at the aerodrome operate safely.

“Low-level flying is an essential part of the safety exercise, with the aircraft down as low as several hundred feet at times,” the statement said.

“Local residents may notice an uncommon flying pattern, but this is to make sure obstacles are accurately marked on charts and no new obstacles exist.

“Obstacles can be towers, trees, masts or buildings that can be a danger to aircraft.”

A twin-engine Cessna Conquest will be used to carry out the safety checks within an area up to 40km from the aerodromes.

If poor weather or other factors do not allow the safety checks to go ahead on the planned days, it will be carried out as soon as possible.



SHARING THE LEGACY: Riverland-based MLC Nicola Centofanti opened the Legacy Club of South Australia & Broken Hill’s Anzac Day Bowling Competition, held at the Berri Bowling Club. PHOTOS: supplied



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Allan and Sandy Maddocks, of Renmark, have retired from the local Lions Club after being involved with the group for more than 60 years.
PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker



A 'lifetime' connection to Lions

BENEFITTING the community with the support of locals and businesses has been a highlight of a Riverland couple's time in the Lions Club.

Renmark couple Allan and Sandy Maddocks recently retired from the Renmark Lions Club, after a combined 63 years of involvement with the group.

Mr Maddocks – who joined 40 years ago – said the club allowed him to become connected to the community.

"I was working with a gentleman at Berri Estates, and he invited me to come along," Mr Maddocks said.

"It helped teach me public speaking, because you could stand up at a meeting and carry on with confidence.

"It was a bit different to now. You had to wear a suit and tie, and you couldn't sit until the president sat down.

"I gradually became more involved. I joined for community and I've enjoyed it over the years."

Both have held various cabinet roles within the club, with Mr Maddocks also serving as vice district governor, and Mrs Maddocks serving as the first female president of the Renmark Lions Club, and also as zone chairman.

However, Mrs Maddocks – who joined 23 years ago – said support

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from community members and local businesses was vital to the club's operations.

"There's been decades of support from the community, particularly business operators and the general public," she said.

"Without that, the Lions Club would not have been able to have achieved what it has.

"We've raised incredible amounts of funds. In this day and age... who would have thought selling \$1 tickets in a plaza would generate \$4000 in nine days.

"We want to say thank you very much, because it's the generosity of the community that makes it possible."

The pair have been involved with numerous Lions Club fundraisers, while Mrs Maddocks was also president during the construction of the Lions Club shelter at Renmark's Jarrett Memorial Gardens.

Mrs Maddocks said Lions Club fundraising efforts had supported schools and health services across the region.

"The prostate screening machine at the Riverland General Hospital would not exist if it wasn't for the



Mrs Maddocks with former Renmark Paringa Council Mayor Neil Martinson at the 2017 launch of the Lions Club shelter at the Jarrett Memorial Gardens. FILE PHOTOS

“We want to say thank you very much, because it's the generosity of the community that makes it possible...”

- Sandy Maddocks

combined efforts of the Renmark and Berri Lions Club combining funds," she said.

Mrs Maddocks said new members were required to keep Riverland Lions Clubs sustainable.

"For a community such as the Riverland to be so connected with a service club deserves to be highlighted," she said.

"The Lions Club in general... particularly throughout South Australia, works extremely hard.

"The Lions Club is an incredible force in the community, but of late it's been hard to find new members,"

Mr Maddocks said his involvement with Lions had generated numerous long-term friendships.

"You make so many friends over the years, and you might not see them often," he said.

"We've made friends from Darwin to Mount Gambier."

Mrs Maddocks said the couple

would always feel a connection to the club.

"Between the two of us we've accumulated 63 years of community service," she said.

"That's how long we've been married and it's almost a lifetime.

"We may have left the Lions, but the Lions hasn't left us.

"I still believe it's a very necessary force in the community, possibly now more than ever."

The couple have been involved with numerous Lions Club fundraisers.



Mr Maddocks (left), with fellow Renmark Lion Graham Edwards, presenting a donation to the Riverland Christmas Appeal.



The RSL, A Time to Celebrate Anzac Day Exhibition head facilitator Christian Teusner from The EMU Tree at the Waikerie RSL Club on Anzac Day. PHOTO: Christine Webster

History exhibition stirs memories

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE head facilitator of an oral history and photographic exhibition featuring SA war veterans is planning to visit Waikerie again for follow up interviews.

Christian Teusner, from The EMU Tree, Education and Music in Unison, said a steady stream of locals and tourists visited The RSL, A Time to Celebrate Anzac Day Exhibition, held from 24 April until 26 April.

Mr Teusner said the display, at the Waikerie RSL, received an “amazing response”.

“A lot of the people that came stayed for a long time and I had a lot of chats with them about the exhibition,” he said.

“Some of these people were able to relate the exhibition to their own personal parallels that included their parents’ or grandparents’ experiences,” Mr Teusner said.

Podcasts featured in the exhibition include Loxton veterans Howard Hendrick, Robert Manuel and Daniel Pankhurst, and Riverland West veterans Beryl (Lin) Hodgins, of Waikerie, the late James Bennett, from Waikerie, and the late Ernst

Asplin, of Morgan.

Mr Teusner said showing the exhibition during the Anzac Day week had been intentional.

“It was deliberately held then because there would be a heightened awareness about it,” he said.

Mr Teusner said the exhibition would be placed in storage while he endeavoured to interview more people of interest.

“The nature of the project means that time is of the essence,” he said.

“I need to make collecting oral histories my priority.”

Mr Teusner is keen to inter-

view 92-year-old Waikerie resident and former primary school teacher Alison Smith, whose husband served in World War II.

He said Mrs Smith has lived all her life in Waikerie and has many photos.

“I hope to learn about the early years of the town,” Mr Teusner said.

He said Mrs Smith lived on a farm during the days before electricity was available in Waikerie.

“It was another era and I am really keen to hear from her about what the main street was like and the type of shops that existed back then.”

Essays highlight climate impacts on the river

INCREASED monitoring of water resources in areas such as the Riverland is necessary for long-term River Murray sustainability, according to a national report.

The Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering (ATSE) last week released A thriving Murray-Darling Basin in 50 years: Actions in the face of climate change essay series, highlighting the impacts of climate change on the River Murray’s health.

ATSE president Katherine Woodthorpe said co-operation between the State and Federal Government was required to protect the river’s biodiversity, and social and economic importance.

“The Murray-Darling Basin covers one-seventh of Australia’s landscape and is responsible for delivering a significant share of Australia’s gross domestic product,” Dr Woodthorpe said.

“But more importantly, to safeguard and protect this resource for the future, Australia must take urgent action in the face of increasing climate change. To inform evidence-based decision making, we need a central data custodian for all water quantity and water quality monitoring data, which is transparently shared with all stakeholders.

“Managing the Basin effectively will also require a review of institutional arrangements that govern property rights at a territory, state and Commonwealth level for consistency as well as climate-proofing.

“At the heart of this plan, we need to ensure institutional governance benefits rural and regional communities, including addressing the cultural water rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.”

The essays recommend reinstatement of a body to provide independent objective policy advice on national water management, including for the Murray-Darling Basin, more investment in technologies to monitor the river for climate impacts and evolving the agriculture industry to handle decreased water availability and accepted water-sharing policies.

Further information regarding The Thriving Murray-Darling Basin program is available by visiting the website (www.atse.org.au/research-and-policy/publications/publication/a-thriving-murray-darling-basin-in-50-years-essay-collection-summary).



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THURSDAY 2 MAY

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

SATURDAY 4 MAY

Olivewood Historic Homestead and Museum Members Memorial Wall launch. 10am, as part of the 2024 SA History Festival. For more info contact Ann on 0429 040 046.

THURSDAY 23 MAY

Waikerie & Districts Cancer Support Group and Waikerie Rotary Club Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, Waikerie Bowling Club rooms, Sichler Street, 10.30am to 12 noon. Bookings to Virginia 0417 515 210.

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY & THURSDAY

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

MONDAY & THURSDAY

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

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

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

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

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

MONDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

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

TUESDAY - SATURDAY

Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery in the Bonney Theatre

complex open for sales Tuesday to Friday 10am to 2pm, and Saturday 9.30am to 11.30am. Inquiries to Ruth 0428 899 506.

TUESDAY - SUNDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

AA meetings throughout the Riverland. Kingston Institute Hall, Sunday, 2pm. Loxcare, Tuesday, 8pm. Loxton Uniting Church Hall, Thursday, 12.30pm. St Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Berri, Thursday, 8pm.

WEDNESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

U3A Riverland yoga in the CWA

rooms, Loxton. Every Wednesday from 9.30am.

THURSDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

THURSDAY - MONDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

THURSDAY

Sing Australia meets on Thursdays 7pm - 8.30pm in the Monash Hall in school terms. Come and share in the joy of singing. Inquiries Margot 0407 796 508.

FRIDAY

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

SUNDAY

Guided tours of **The Pines Historic House** are held every Sunday at 2pm, at 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. Extra tour inquiries to Marian 0412 649 766.

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Check the event descriptions for more information

MONDAY

8am - 12 noon
8am - 12.30pm
10am - 3pm
1.30pm - 4pm

Berri Community Men's Shed
Barmera Community Men's Shed
Renmark Paringa Community Museum
Card and boards games at the Renmark Lutheran Church
Riverland Concert Brass Band
Rock 'n' roll and partner dancing at the Monash Community Hall

TUESDAY

9am - 10.30am

11am
1pm - 4pm
1pm - 4pm
8pm

Social badminton at the Barmera Recreation Centre
Palms Bingo Club hold a bingo session
Berri Senior Citizens meet
Loxton Senior Citizens Club meet
AA meeting at Loxcare

WEDNESDAY

9am - 4pm
9am - 4pm
9.30am
10am - 3pm
1.30pm - 4pm

Barmera Lake Bonney Quilters meet
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U3A Riverland yoga
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Carpet bowls at the Renmark Lutheran Church

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Renmark Bowling Club bingo
Sing Australia meets
AA meeting at St Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Berri

FRIDAY

10am

10am - 3pm

Meet, Greet & Eat at Loxcare Community Hub
Renmark Paringa Community Museum

SUNDAY

1pm - 4pm
2pm
2pm

Riverland Woodworkers
Guided tours of The Pines Historic House
AA meeting at Kingston Institute Hall

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery

Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 2pm
Saturday: 9.30am - 11.30am

Loxton Historical Village

Tuesday to Sunday: 10am - 4pm

Olivewood Historic Homestead and Museum

Thursday to Monday: 10am - 4pm

MONTHLY & BI-MONTHLY EVENTS

THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

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

FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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

FIRST THURSDAY OF MAY, JULY, SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER

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

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CLOWNIN' AROUND: Rikki Mullin, Mia Malinovski, and Rylee Mullin, all of Renmark, at the recent Renmark Riverfront Markets with Kooka the Clown. PHOTO: Glenda Malinovski



At the Loxton Library and Visitor Information Centre for the holiday program recently was Megan Fisher with children Audrey, 3, and Sam, 17 months, of Noora. PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson



Enjoying the holiday craft at the Loxton Library and Visitor Information Centre were Téana, 7, and Latayha Pass, 9, Bekk Johnston, Blake, 5, and Seth Pass, 10, of Loxton.



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Loxton's Sophie, 3, Cassandra, and Dennis Frahn, 2, took part in the school holiday program at the Loxton Library and Visitor Information Centre recently.

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CHAFFEY ANZAC
COMMEMORATIONS:
Chaffey MP Tim
Whetstone with
Brigadier Ben
Slaughter (back,
centre) and the
420 Cadet Unit, at
Waikerie's Anzac
Day commemoration.
PHOTO: supplied



MARILENA'S RSL HONOUR: Renmark RSL sub branch president Jason Schubert, with long-time Hotel Renmark staff member Marilena Scidone. Ms Scidone was on Anzac Day appointed as an honorary member of the Renmark RSL for "outstanding support" toward the RSL's president and members. PHOTO: Rob Mac



ANZAC
DAY WITH
MATES:
The
Waikerie
RSL Club
was a
popular
place for
morning
tea on
Anzac Day
after the
morning
service.
Pictured is
veteran Bill
Robinson,
of
Waikerie,
87, who
served in
the Malayan
Emergency
in 1956.
PHOTOS:
Christine
Webster



At the Waikerie RSL on Anzac Day were Cadet Under Officer for the 41 Battalion of Army Cadets Zack Imbrogno (left), Waikerie Army Cadets' defence approved helper Angela Lukas, Waikerie Army Cadets' Acting Sergeant Triston Pell and Waikerie Lutheran Primary School acting principal Samantha McCarthy.



Trevor Mackereth (left) and Sombath Douangtavanh, at the Waikerie RSL Club Anzac Day morning tea.



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The Waikerie Army Cadets provided a catafalque party for Morgan’s Anzac Day morning service. PHOTO: Angela Lukacs

Morgan community marks Anzac Day

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE Morgan community marked Anzac Day with a morning service in the town’s RSL Memorial and Remembrance Garden. More than 300 people attended the commemorations on Thursday. Morgan RSL president, and Mid Murray councillor, John Forrester said local families, tourists, and veterans who served in Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan, and other conflicts were among those at the service.

Family members of veterans who live outside the town were also in attendance. Mr Forrester’s daughter, Sheree, read poems and led prayers during the service. He said the oldest RSL member at the service was Korean War veteran Eric Barber, who recently had been in hospital in Eudunda and was transported by his family to attend. The Waikerie Army Cadets provided a catafalque party and one of them accompa-

nied Mr Barber when he laid a wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice. Mr Forrester said he was grateful to Cadell Training Centre officer Rick Steadman, who stepped in as the MC at short notice, as the Morgan RSL secretary had to cancel due to an illness in his family. He also thanked the Morgan RSL committee for helping organise the service and Xross Roads Pantry, in Morgan, for supplying refreshments afterwards.

Cadell community reflects on its war history

THE traditional Anzac Day dawn service at Cadell drew a crowd of more than 200 people, made up of locals, shack owners, and tourists. The Cadell Club co-ordinates the ceremony each year. Master of ceremonies for the service was Lin Petros, from Cadell, who was a former RAAF recruit trainer in Laverton, in Melbourne, and Amberley, in Queensland. Her three brothers have

served in the RAAF for 25 years and her five uncles served in World War II. One of her uncles was captured by the Japanese and spent time in the Changi Prisoner of War Camp. Fifth-generation Cadell resident, and Waikerie High School student, Natalie Mackintosh, 16, whose family has a rich military history, also spoke at the service. The National Commander

of Australia Army Cadets Ben Slaughter was a special guest at the service and laid a wreath at the cenotaph. A catafalque party was provided by the Waikerie Army Cadets, and several wreaths were laid by community representatives at the service. Cadell Club manager Karen Gully said local residents of all ages enjoyed attending the commemoration. “A lot of children attended,

which I thought was really lovely,” she said. “It was good to see people bringing along their kids and teaching them about the importance of Anzac Day to our town and nation and the role played by our defence forces.” Breakfast was served at the Cadell Club after the service and was attended by Brigadier Slaughter, who spoke with many of the locals taking part in the commemorations. - CHRISTINE WEBSTER



Lin Petros from Cadell, a former RAAF recruit trainer based in Victoria and Queensland was the MC at the Cadell Anzac Day service.



The Waikerie Army Cadets during the Cadell Anzac Day service. PHOTOS: Angela Lukacs

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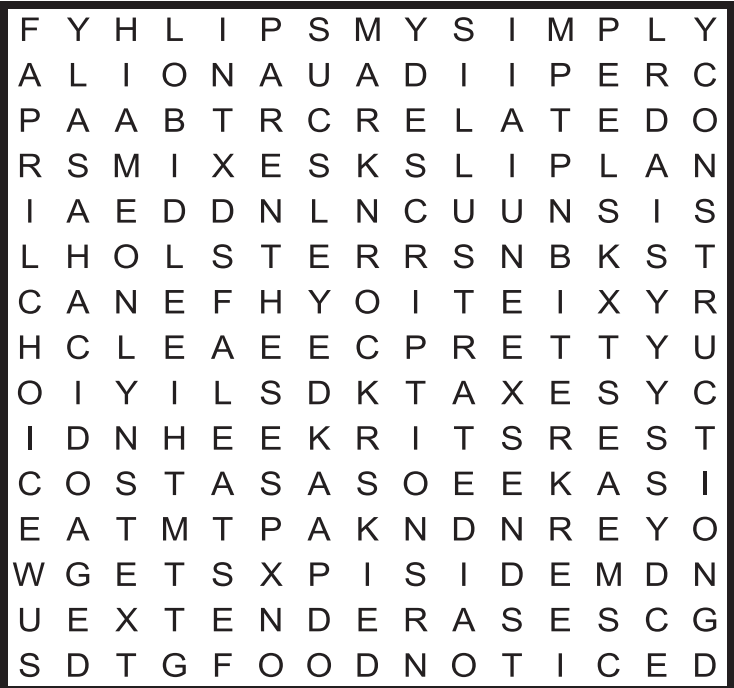
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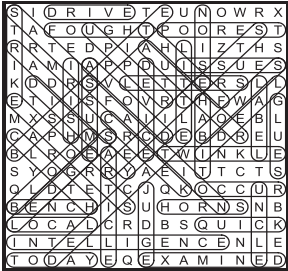
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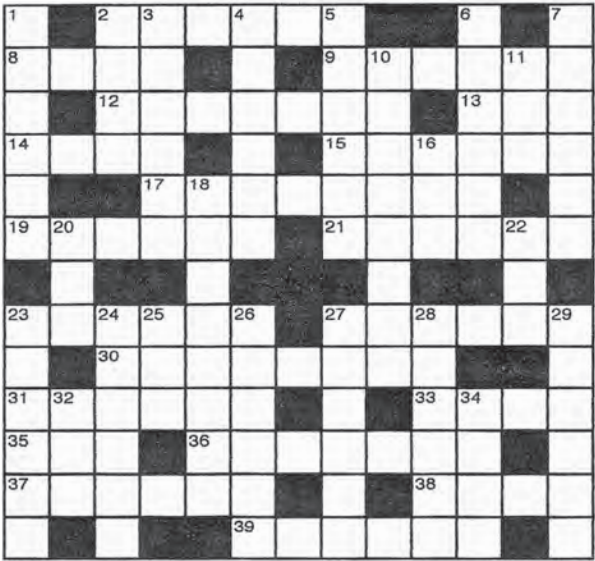
Last Week's Solution



Crossword

ACROSS
2. Delay
8. English river
9. Shore
12. Animal
13. Disfigure
14. Rain in torrents
15. Fears
17. Looming
19. Hawker
21. Nest of eggs
23. Monetary plan
27. Long legs
30. Toughened
31. Walks pompously
33. Equal
35. Dine
36. Couch
37. Pleat
38. Remove
39. Reddish-brown colour

DOWN
1. Desert plant
2. Strong cord
3. Glossy paint
4. Flower part
5. Deepen a harbor
6. Harm
7. Breed of cattle
10. Water
11. Miner's chisel
16. Durable wood from Burma
18. Souvenirs
20. Large bird



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



Join our Buddy Bunyip Birthday List

Mia Malinovski - 2/5/13

Simply contact the Murray Pioneer Office to sign up!
Eligible for kids up to 12 years of age
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THANKS Renmark

Don't forget that if your name appears on the birthday list then you can pick up a voucher from the Murray Pioneer, for a FREE Wholemeal Crispy Chicken Snack Wrap, Apple Slices and 250mL Pop Tops™ Water Happy Meal®.

May 2024 Horoscopes: week 1

- ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)**
A co-worker whom you have not spoken to for a while may suddenly want to put your relationship onto a more friendly footing. You will be surprised by the outcome! **Romance.** Try not to do anything which could cause a disagreement with your partner. They may be a little on-edge at the moment, and will need some time alone.
- TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)**
You will be in need of a change, and will be determined to see things through. A favourable aspect to Jupiter could bring you the success you've been waiting for. **Romance.** A cleaning-up spree will help you to find something which you lost many months ago. You may be in for a few surprises!
- GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)**
A dream will give you insight into a problem which has been bothering you. A positive aspect to Neptune means your dreams are particularly vivid right now. **Romance.** A person who seems a little out of the ordinary will be worth getting to know. This is something you've been waiting for!
- CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)**
This might be a good time to get rid of all your old junk. You will be in a very practical mood, and may find it difficult to relax. **Romance.** A chance encounter later in the week may bring up a memory of an incident you'd forgotten. This may unsettle you but you will be able to use the experience to resolve some issues.
- LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)**
A negative aspect to Mars could stir up some negativity over the next few days. Calm down and let the feelings pass before you do something you might regret later. **Romance.** A person whom you have never met before will be very curious about your life. It will be a while before you get a chance to get to know them properly, though.
- VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)**
A positive aspect to Mercury around the middle of the week will give you the logical thinking and good communication you will need to resolve a difficult situation. Your friends will appreciate your tact. **Romance.** Be careful not to miss a subtle message which tells you everything that you need to know about your partner's mood.
- LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)**
Your boss may be slightly on-edge at the moment: this is not the best time to ask for any favours. A colleague will offer you advice that will be worth following. **Romance.** Don't give a secret away too soon! An air of mystery will make your friends believe that you are hiding more than you really are.
- SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)**
A friend you haven't seen in a long time will make an appearance. This person has an important message for you. **Romance.** A person whom you met some time ago may suddenly take a greater interest in you. A powerful aspect to Venus may cause you some confusion about your own feelings.
- SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)**
Family life will be rewarding, but could also be a little frustrating at times. Set your boundaries clearly and be firm about your needs. You shouldn't always be the one making concessions. **Romance.** You will be a little unpredictable at the moment. Your partner will get confused if they are not sure how you feel.
- CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)**
A positive aspect to Uranus will bring some unusual things into your life. Provided you play your cards right, you could make a useful new contact. It will be a long time before anything further develops, however. **Romance.** A sudden decision may have more logic behind it than you realise. Your partner could need your support.
- AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)**
You may have to go along with your co-workers, even if you don't totally agree with their decisions. Your ability to think for yourself often helps you in life but this week it may be hindering you more than helping you. **Romance.** Your dreaminess may affect your partner: make sure that you are clear about your priorities.
- PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)**
An animal companion may be a little difficult to handle at the moment. He or she might have picked up a feeling of anxiety from you which you are not aware of. **Romance.** Someone whom you see as a figure of authority may be interested in seeing you. Don't be afraid to explore this possibility, but take things one step at a time.

SUDOKU No.477

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

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

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Solution No. 476

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



Almost 80 cars, bikes and vehicles were on display during the recent classic auto river run in Swan Reach. PHOTOS: supplied.



Show ‘n’ shine’s successful return for Swan Reach

THE Murray Mallee Auto Club recently held its Gateway to the Galaxy Accommodation, Swan Reach Classic Auto River Run, in the Swan Reach main street.

Around 400 people attended with 79 individual car, bike, and commercial vehicle owners displaying their cars.

Swan Reach, Gateway to the Galaxy project manager Rocky Warren said it had been several years since an auto club event was held in the town.

He said the Show ‘n’ Shine aimed to showcase the resurrection of the town’s main street that was inundated during the

2022/2023 River Murray flood.

“Not only was there an incredible display of vehicles, but the day featured a band, smells of a BBQ, nice cold drinks and a family atmosphere,” Mr Warren said.

He said support received from classic vehicle owners, and particularly Riverland and Mid Murray auto clubs and car owners, was incredible.

Mr Warren said the event would be held annually in the future on the second Sunday in April.

“Plans are already underway for a bigger and better event in 2025”, he said.

the quiz



1. What is the capital of Serbia?

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2. During World War II, where was the HQ of the English code cracking unit that was set up to decipher the output from the “Enigma” machine?

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3. BCG is a vaccine, the only one currently recognised by the World Health Organisation, for what disease?

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4. Which book broke the record for book sales in July 2007, selling 15 million copies in the 24 hours following its release?

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5. What is the prevailing climate in Uruguay?

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6. What were the Quebec Nordiques known for?

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7. Who first stated the three laws of planetary motion?

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8. In which book of the Christian Bible is the story of Lazarus being raised from the dead?

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9. Where are the Beth Chatto Gardens?

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10. Boris Godunov ruled, first as de facto regent and then as ruler, in which country?

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11. Off which Japanese island would you find the Straits of Soya and Tsugara?

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12. What event took place at Yasgur's farm, New York, on 15 to 18 August 1969?

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13. The Italian cheese called dolcelatte translates into English as what?

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14. Babe Ruth played for which Major League Baseball team in 1935?

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15. What ocean borders the US state of Georgia?

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16. At the end of the 8th century the Emperor of Japan moved his capital to which city?

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17. Where is the House of Keys the governing body, with 24 elected members?

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18. A pink gin is gin mixed with what?

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19. Who was the first US president to travel outside the USA while in office?

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20. Which British sitcom featured Captain Mainwaring's catch phrase “You stupid boy!”

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BONUS QUESTION: What did Emal Frazee invent in 1959 (and patented in 1963)? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Answers on page 41

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BOOK REVIEW May

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Top 10

TOP 10 OCTOBER READS:

White Ash Ridge
by S.R. White

Three-Inch Teeth
by C.J. Box

The School Run
by Ali Lowe

Sanctuary
by Garry Disher

Good Half Gone
by Tarryn Fisher

The Busy Body
by Kemper Donovan

Devil's Kitchen
by Candice Fox

The Cryptic Clue
by Amanda Hampson

The Book Of Doors
by Gareth Brown

The 24th Hour
by James Patterson

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A remote hotel. Five guests. One murder.

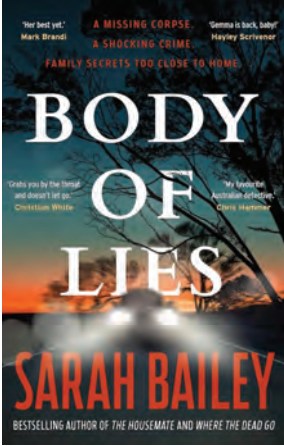
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A rising star of Australian crime fiction SUNDAY TIMES

RIDGE

TITLE:
Body of Lies

AUTHOR:
Sarah Bailey

BOOK REVIEW BY:
Katrina Webber



early to immerse herself into the mystery.

Body of Lies has several side stories that lay the foundation for the big picture. A baby is found abandoned, Gemma’s husband has become secretive, suspicion arises around her mother’s youth, her boss is about to retire, she must report temporarily to her archrival, and her best friend Candy Fyfe, freelance journalist, wants to know all the latest developments.

If you think there’s too much happening to keep track of, there isn’t. It all makes an intriguing, page turning novel.

Body of Lies is the fourth book that features Detective Sergeant Gemma Woodstock. They are not a strict series, so if you haven’t read the others, it won’t matter, but if you enjoy this one, you’ll probably want to.



Loxton Waikerie Library Service

LOXTON Waikerie Libraries have been busy with school holiday craft programs. Many families have enjoyed the sessions and we thank them for their support.

Term 2 has started, and the Loxton Library will recommence their weekly storytime sessions on Wednesday, at 10:30am, for children aged 0 to 5 years. There will be singing, stories and a craft activity at each session.

Loxton has some STEM programs planned, with the first starting on Friday 17 May, at 9:30am. The first session will cover ‘All Things About Sound’. Limited spaces are available so bookings are essential.

Waikerie Library is holding Construction Corner on the second and fourth Monday and Wednesday of the month, from 11am to 11:45am. These sessions involve a basic construction challenge using blocks, connectors, wheels, and bolts, and finishes with a story. These sessions are for children aged 3 to 5 years.

Maths Fun for Under 5s will be held again this term at Waikerie. During the four-week program, children will learn age-appropriate maths concepts that are educational and fun. Bookings are essential, so phone the Waikerie Library to secure your child’s spot.

The South Australian History Festival begins today. As part of the month-long event, the Loxton Library is collecting people’s stories, drawings and photographs of this important service. These items will be collated and merged by Michelle Gray into an artwork to be placed in the new library building. Everyone is encouraged to share their thoughts and memories of the Loxton Library to make this a truly memorable community creation.

The Waikerie Library is celebrating the festival with an exhibition titled Handmade by Doris: celebrating a bygone era. Doris was a member of one of the founding families from Holder Settlement, in Waikerie. She was the Handicraft Secretary for CWA and earned life membership for 20 years’ service with the association. She won prizes for her craft items in local shows and sewed clothing for local ladies to earn extra income. This exhibition will feature early 1900s garments that were sewn and worn by Doris and will open at 2pm, on Friday 3 May.

For more information, or to book into programs, phone Loxton Library on 8584 8051, or Waikerie Library on 8541 0720, or visit the Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100081110905165>).

Elite competitors show grit at Cadell

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

PARTICIPANTS from South Australia, New South Wales, and Victoria took part in the 2024 True Grit SA Challenge at Caudo Vineyard at Cadell last month.

The event attracted 3000 entrants and spectators.

True Grit events director Tom Gilmartin said the elite categories attracted fierce competition.

Entrants had to tackle 36 military-style obstacles.

This year the event raised \$5646 for the Black Dog Institute and \$1093 for Invictus Australia.

Female
First: Emily Steven from Glen Osmond: 1:05:03
Second: Stephanie Wig from East Mount Gambier:1:06:32
Joint third: Kaitlin Smith from Murray Bridge and Talitha Scholtz from Magill: 1:09:14

Male
First: Max Bush from Crafers: 56:32
Second: Mark Halliwell from Hillbank:1:05:52
Third: Luke Kamp from Surrey Downs: 1:05:60



Participants in the True Grit SA Challenge at Cadell each year raise money for charity organisations.



About 2500 entrants took part in the military-style obstacle race in the Riverland.



Pausing for a moment in the mud pit during the endurance event at Cadell.



Local youngsters made circus big tops during a school holiday workshop at the Waikerie library. PHOTOS: supplied

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hugh cooks with hugh

For this edition of Hugh cooks with Hugh, the boys are making the most of the final weeks of Autumn with this simple fish dish that would be best enjoyed at sunset with a glass of white wine.



For mullet and tomato salad

- ❑ 2 mullet fillets
- ❑ 1/2 dozen cherry tomatoes
- ❑ Olive oil
- ❑ Salt and pepper
- ❑ 1 shallot
- ❑ 1/2 avocado
- ❑ 1/2 lemon
- ❑ 1 tbsp mint
- ❑ 4 small radishes

Method

- Season the fish with salt and pepper, drizzle generously with olive oil and cook in a 160C oven for 10 minutes.
- Meanwhile, finely dice the shallot and thinly slice radishes.
- Half cherry tomatoes and finely mince mint.
- Combine mint, tomatoes, shallot and radishes in a bowl.
- Squeeze over lemon juice and leftover oil from cooking the fish.
- Toss to combine the salad.
- Halve and thinly slice the avocado.
- Serve fish on top of avocado with salad.



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THE FAIR-WEATHER GARDENER

HOW fast the seasons are going. One minute I am complaining about the heat and here we are at the end of April, enjoying the best weather the Riverland has to offer.

JOBS

It is a great time to be in the garden as the days are not too hot.

1. Tidying is probably number one on the list.
2. Remove dry and damaged foliage and spent flowers from your summer shrubs and perennials.
3. A good watering and fertiliser will be of benefit to most plants. There is still enough warmth in the sun for them to benefit from a good feed.
4. Don't forget to tidy and fertilise pot plants.
5. Plant new trees and plants.
6. Divide perennials and make new plants from cuttings.
7. Plant spring flowering bulbs.
8. Mulch.
9. Citrus will benefit from a plant food that is specially formulated. Water in well.
10. Keep on top of those weeds.

VEGETABLES

There are a number of vegetables that do well in Autumn.

In most regions it is a good time to sow, and remember you can get a head start with seedlings.

Broccoli, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, endive, Kohi Rabi, leek, lettuce, beans, beetroot, celery, chillies, corn, eggplant, and kale. These are just to name a few.

Check your garden centre, as I have just planted spring onions and English spinach.

I have also planted some marigolds to attract the beneficial insects, so hopefully I won't need to use any sprays.

With all plantings choose a sunny spot, add compost, fertilise and mulch.

They will need a good water as well. Many can be grown in pots, but they need a good potting mix and possibly extra water as pots dry out quickly.

POTS

Herbs do really well in pots, and at this time of the



year you also plant them in the ground.

Some to plant are parsley, thyme, rosemary, coriander (look for one that does not bolt), sage, chives, dill, mint (best in pots as it can be invasive), oregano, basil, borage, fennel (not near dill as it may prevent the bulb from developing), garlic, lemongrass and marjoram. Borage has blue flowers in winter and attracts beneficial insects

LAWNS

Autumn is a great time to plant or restart your lawn.

Lawns improve the value of your home as well as cooling your home in Summer.

You can seed or lay turf depending on your finances. Turf is naturally quicker but both methods require time to prepare the site.

A rotary hoe is an easy option and can be hired. Level the soil and water well. Apply gypsum if the soil is clay.

Use a drought tolerant grass. There are many available.

Both methods require a good fertiliser and watering in.

Sometimes a patchy

lawn will only need over-sowing:

1. Mow the existing lawn as low as possible.
2. Scratch the surface with a sharp rake.
3. Spread the oversow mixture.
4. Rake again lightly and keep moist until the seed germinates.

You will be pleased with your lawn in next to no time.

AUTUMN

As mentioned before it is a perfect time to plant trees and shrubs.

Look in your area for the ones that show the coloured foliage that you love and seek them out, or order from your garden centre.

Plant out some of these:

Stocks, linaria, pansies, alyssum, calendula, snapdragon, marigold, cornflower, viola, cyclamen, Japanese anemone, poppies, aster, cone flower, forget me not, strawflower, allium, anemone and columbine.

Sunshine and soil make everything better. Life's a garden, dig it.

Until next time, happy, safe gardening.



ZOE'S BLOODY LONG WALK

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



ALL FOR ZOE: Approximately 400 people took part in Zoe's Bloody Long Walk, held around Lake Bonney, last weekend, in order to raise funds for the Mito Foundation.



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Our circle of love continues to grow.

80th BIRTHDAY

CARNELL, Pam.

Happy 80th birthday for 2 May to a much-loved sister.

From your sister, Wendy.

DEATHS

ANDISON, Eric Anthony.

8/5/1938—
24/4/2024

Passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, at Riverland General Hospital on Wednesday 24 April, 2024.

Aged 85 years.

Loved husband of Judy.

Beloved father of Peter and Wendy.

Father-in-law to Jenni and Andrew.

Adored grandpa to Patrick, Jack, Ella, Emily and Scott.

Beautiful great-grandpa to Louis, Eleni, Harlow and Coco.

Heartfelt thanks to the SAAS who have attended to Eric.

Thank you to all the wonderful nurses and doctors at the Barmera hospital and Riverland General Hospital.

Eric was privately cremated as per his wishes.

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CURNOW, Trevor John.

17/3/1968—
23/4/2024

Trevor passed away in the Gawler Hospital.

Loved son of Sandra Askill and stepson of Robert.

Loved son of Lawrence Curnow and stepson of Lynette.

Much-loved brother of Leann, Christine, Andrew, Sue, Jenny, and their families.

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DEATHS

HALL, Robert William.

(Formerly of Moorook).

Passed away peacefully at Moonta Nursing Home on Thursday 18 April, 2024.

Aged 82 years.

Beloved husband of Chris (deceased).

Loved father and father-in-law of son Barry and wife Bernardette, daughter Shana and partner Paul.

Loved step-dad of Dianne, David, Brian and wife Leanne.

Cherished poppa of Shaun, Danielle, Hayden, Dylan, Chloe, Jessica, Kylie, Hannah, Corey, Bruce and 7 great-grandchildren.

Brother and brother-in-law of Joan and husband John (deceased) and Brian (deceased).

Best mate of Kym.

~ Now resting peacefully.
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HALL, Robert William.

1/3/1942—
18/4/2024

Dearly loved brother and brother-in-law of Joan and John (deceased), Brian (deceased) and Laurel.

Loved uncle of Jan and John (deceased), Neil and Virginia, and their families.

Brother and best friend for 82 years.

How I miss you but every thought brings a smile.



RULE, Graeme.

4/8/1945—
25/4/2024

Loving husband, father and grandfather.

Passed peacefully on ANZAC Day at Riverland General Hospital.

Forever with us all.

Our sincere thanks to the Palliative Care team at RRH.

DEATHS



RULE, Graeme William.

WOFF, Royal
Australian Air Force,
Service Number
A225587

The members of the Renmark Sub-Branch of the Returned and Services League mourn the death of our esteemed friend and colleague, Graeme Rule.

Graeme died after a long illness in the Berri hospital on ANZAC Day, 2024.

A popular and involved member of our Sub-Branch, Graeme will be sorely missed by us all.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Pam and to all of Graeme's wider family members.

'Lest We Forget'.

RULE, Graeme.

RAFF Warrant Officer, retired.

Good friend and mate.

Gone but never forgotten by Beverly and Ray Hartigan.

STIVAHTARIS, Kaliopi.

Passed away peacefully, at Calvary St Catherine's, on Thursday 25 April, 2024.

Aged 88 years.

Beloved wife of Theodosis (deceased).

Loving mother of Michael and Alex, Andrew and Trudi, Peter and Kathy, Susie and David, and Christopher (deceased).

Loved yiayia of Timothy, Anthony, Poppy, Suzie, Charlie, and Ekaterina.

Precious great-yiayia of Billy.

Always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts.

DEATHS

WADE Denis 'Warren'.

6/12/1934—
25/4/2024

Passed away at Calvary St Catherine's surrounded by family.

Aged 89 years.

Loving husband of Beverley for 65 years.

Loved father of Michael, Peter, Susan, and their partners.

Loved grandfather of Liam, Siobhan, Elise, Emma, Laura, Michelle, and Ashley.

Great-grandfather of 8 great-grandchildren.

Loved brother of Denny (deceased), Judy, Maryann, and Beth.

Forever in our hearts.

WADE, Warren Denis.

Loved brother of Judy and Dennis (deceased).

Uncle of Carolyn, David and Melani, Tony and Tracy.

Great-uncle of Amelie, Matilda, William, and Elliott.

He lived a good life, and we will miss him.

WADE, Warren Denis.

Loved brother of Maryann 'Possy'.

Uncle of Sharron, Geoff and Sarah.

Great-uncle of Caitlin.

We remember all the fun times.

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HALL.

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

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STIVAHTARIS.

Family and friends of Kaliopi Stivahtaris are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service to be conducted at St Dimitrios Greek Orthodox Church, Berri on Tuesday 7 May, 2024 at 11am.

In lieu of flowers if desired, a donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Kaliopi's memory would be appreciated. Donations may be made at the service.

At the conclusion of the service, the cortege will proceed to the Berri general cemetery for the committal.

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IN MEMORIAM

DAVIS, Peter.
35 years have passed but our memories of so many happy times shared together are with us always.
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Merilyn, Narelle, Trenton, Kirrilly, and families.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

WESTERN, Mary Glenys.
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RETURN THANKS

OCIEPA, Joseph 'Joe'.
Maureen, Michelle, Craig and families would like to sincerely thank all the wonderful doctors and nurses at Berri ED and Riverland General Hospital, Dr James McLeod, Dave, Stana and all nurses at Renmark hospital for their care and kindness shown to Joe and us during his time with you.

Thank you also to the doctors, nurses and staff at Calvary Adelaide.

A big thank you to the Royal Flying Doctor Service and all the ambulance officers.

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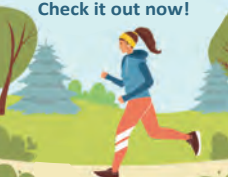
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5pm - Monash St Oswald's
Sunday 5 May
9am - Barmera St Edmund's
9am - Renmark St Augustine's
11am - Loxton The Resurrection
11am - Waikerie St James
Contact:
Fr. David Patterson
8586 3288



Lutheran Church of Australia

BERRI | BARMERA
Sunday 5 May
Barmera 9am
Berri 11am
Pastor Peter Klemm
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LOXTON
St Peter's Sunday 5 May
First Sunday of the month
10.30am Combined
All other Sundays
8.30am Traditional
10.30am Contemporary
64 Bookpurnong Terrace
Phone 8584 5522

RENMARK | PARINGA
Sunday 5 May
Renmark 9am
Paringa 10.30am HC
All Welcome
Pastor Roland Adams
Phone 0460 300 492

WAIKERIE
Sunday 5 May
Lowbank 8.45am
Ramco 8.45am
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Phone 8541 2689



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Saturday
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Sunday
Berri 9am
Loxton 11am
Waikerie 11am
Barmera 6pm
WEEKS 2 & 4
Saturday
Waikerie 6pm
Berri 6.30pm
Sunday
Renmark 9am
Morgan 9am
Barmera 11am
Loxton 6pm



UNITING CHURCH

LOXTON
Sunday 5 May
10am
Ian Forsyth
Contact
Rev Linda Forsyth
0401 815 488

RENMARK
Sunday 5 May
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Renmark West HC
10am
Renmark Ave HC
Rev Linda Forsyth
Phone 0401 815 488



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20-26 MAY 2024
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Council will be hosting two events in Loxton and Waikerie on Monday 20 May 2024:

Waikerie – Morning Tea
10am – 12pm
Waikerie Bowling Club
25 Lawrie Street Waikerie

Loxton – Afternoon Tea
2pm – 4pm
Loxton Retirement Village Community Centre
136 Bookpurnong Terrace Loxton

Please RSVP by Monday 6 May 2024 to council@lwdc.sa.gov.au or 08 8584 8000. We hope you can join us to celebrate all the people that make our district so special.

David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

LZ15765

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AGENDA FOR MORGAN

- **REMEMBER** The Mid-Murray Council has already cost Morgan our Nurse Practitioner.
- Mid-Murray Council wanting to close the Morgan Activity Centre and sell the building, which also houses Morgan CFS emergency vehicles and control room.
- Mid-Murray Council wants to close Morgan library, which the Morgan Primary school uses.
- Morgan has an aging population with no public transport.
- **What next** the Mid-Murray Council Office to be sold and the Morgan Chemist building, Morgan Tourist Infomation Centre.

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ANNUAL SHUTDOWN OF PUMPING

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9pm on Sunday 12 May 2024

Water supply will be restored by approximately:

11.59pm on Friday 17 May 2024

The annual shutdown enables planned preventative maintenance and other works to be completed which cannot be carried out while normal pumping is in progress.

Domestic and industrial water users should maintain storage capable of holding up to 7 days water supply at all times.

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- 1.Belgrade 2.Bletchley Park 3.Tuberculosis
4.Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows
5.Temperate 6.Ice hockey 7.Johannes Kepler
8.John 9.Essex , UK 10.Russia 11.Hokkaido
12.Woodstock Music and Art Fair 13.Sweet milk
14.Boston Braves 15.Atlantic 16.Kyoto
17.Isle of Man 18.Angostura bitters
19.Theodore Roosevelt 20.Dad's Army

BONUS QUESTION ANSWER
(from last week): Billy Swan's 1974 song 'I Can Help' was a number one hit in 12 countries.

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Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Of the Association will be held at the Renmark Paringa Council Chambers, Eighteenth St, Renmark.

Wednesday May 15th 2024, at 4pm.

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RNA ANZAC ROUND

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The opening round of the Riverland Netball Association, also Anzac Round this year, was held last Friday at Berri Toyota Arena.
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GAME OF THE WEEK

BROADCAST

WAIKERIE v LOXTON

This Saturday, from 2.30pm

Tune your radio to

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RIVERLAND A GRADE

RENMARK		WAIKERIE				
						
ROVERS	4.3	7.5	10.5	13.8	86	
MAGPIES	0.0	2.4	5.7	6.9	45	
BEST: Renmark - D. Woolford, N. Gillard, T. Woolford, Z. Gartery, J. Rowe, J. Vater. Waikerie - K. Hilton, A. Liebich, R. Ricciuto, J. Burgemeister, B. Burgemeister, J. Colbert.						
GOALS: Renmark - N. Gillard 5, A. Haynes 3, L. Jackson, T. Woolford 2, J. Rowe. Waikerie - K. Hilton, J. Spencely 2, B. Burgemeister, R. Ricciuto.						

LOXTON NORTH		BERRI				
						
PANTHERS	2.4	5.7	8.8	17.12	114	
DEMONS	2.2	7.2	10.6	11.6	72	
BEST: Loxton North - Z. Wooldridge, J. Worsfold, A. Kudra, S. Lewis, M. Akaso, C. Voumard. Berri - P. Minchella, D. Brauer, R. Moroney, C. Robertson, S. Hawkins, J. Woolston.						
GOALS: Loxton North - Z. Wooldridge 7, K. Fielke, R. Proud 3, C. Koehne 2, S. Lewis, J. Tschirpig. Berri - R. Kruger, C. Robertson 4, S. Hawkins 2, E. Penaluna.						

BARMERA-MONASH		LOXTON				
						
ROOS	1.2	7.7	12.11	15.11	101	
TIGERS	1.2	1.2	4.4	7.4	46	
BEST: Barmera-Monash - F. Dillon, J. Beech, L. Thomas, F. Douglass, J. Whitbourne, P. Spilios. Loxton - L. Evans, J. Will, R. Kennedy, B. Rollins, B. Boughen, C. Lange.						
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - J. Beech 5, M. Middleton, P. Spilios 2, T. Austin, F. Douglass, B. Drogemuller, C. Marks, S. Vanderwoude, M. Wutke. Loxton - L. Harder 2, H. Campbell, J. Evans, L. Evans, R. Kennedy, J. Will.						

MURRAY VALLEY

PARINGA		WUNKAR				
						
SWANS	3.1	3.5	7.6	10.6	66	
BULLDOGS	5.3	8.3	8.3	10.5	65	
BEST: Paringa - A. Herrador, I. Frahn, J. Wood, L. Croft, F. Peters, B. Smith. Wunkar - M. Neumann, T. Schulz, K. Worsfold, L. Worsfold, B. Stone, J. Neumann.						
GOALS: Paringa - C. Gardner, A. Herrador 3, B. Morey, J. Watson, D. Waye, J. Wood. Wunkar - K. Thompson 3, L. Biele 2, T. Durling, J. Neumann, K. Worsfold, L. Worsfold, M. Worsfold.						

RAMCO		BROWN'S WELL				
						
ROOSTERS	2.1	5.3	6.4	10.8	68	
BOMBERS	2.3	3.5	7.7	8.8	56	
BEST: Ramco - N. Hart, N. Birch, A. Weir, B. Fridd, B. Loffler, J. Parfitt. Brown's Well - B. Oxlade, L. Francis, T. Oxlade, B. Hampel, J. Lange, B. Pickering.						
GOALS: Ramco - N. Birch 3, J. Consalvo, B. Durrant 2, B. Briscoe, B. Loffler, K. Sparks. Brown's Well - J. Lange 4, T. McKenzie 3, L. Smith.						

Murrayville d Sedan-Cambrai (forfeit).



Paringa and Wunkar battled it out in round three of the MVFNL. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD

PLAYER	CLUB	TW	TOTAL
N. Gillard	R	5	10
Z. Wooldridge	LN	5	9
D. Woolford	R	3	7
C. Koehne	LN	2	5
C. Lange	L	0	5
J. Beech	BM	5	5

OTHER GRADES

B GRADE

Waikerie 13.4 (82) d Renmark 5.8 (38).
BEST: Waikerie - J. Trandafil, Z. Wood, S. Meredith, B. Venning, S. Trandafil, S. Liebich. Renmark - A. Hem, R. Menz, C. Gartery, K. Pedler, L. Harrington, D. Strongman.
GOALS: Waikerie - B. Venning 6, B. Haynes, S. Meredith 2, H. Mackereth, J. Thomson, Z. Wood. Renmark - K. Pedler 2, A. Dunhill, H. Esam, J. Mason.

Berri 11.11 (77) d Loxton North 4.6 (30).
BEST: Berri - R. Correll, A. Smith, B. Tanner, M. Sumner, A. Page, N. Geyer. Loxton North - J. Wooldridge, C. Ebert, M. Jealous, S. Grummet, M. Trezise, B. Smith.
GOALS: Berri - J. Milburn 3, N. Geyer, J. Hennessy, N. Panagoulas 2, T. Dolling, M. Sumner. Loxton North - details not provided.

Barmera-Monash 9.7 (61) d Loxton 6.6 (42).
BEST: Barmera-Monash - B. Barnes, J. Ricketts, R. Haigh, B. Williams, Z. Galvin, R. Lehmann. Loxton - T. Jackson, M. Thiele, T. Eagle, JJ. Campbell, J. Boughen.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - R. Lehmann 3, B. Barnes, A. Scordo 2, R. Haigh, C. Harris. Loxton - L. Pontt 3, T. Eagle 2, R. Montgomery.



Barmera-Monash players celebrate Jono Beech's return to the Roos.

LADDERS

RFL A GRADE	W	L	D	F	A	P	%
RENMARK	2	0	0	149	73	4	67.11
LOXTON NORTH	2	0	0	196	152	4	56.32
BARMERA-MONASH	1	1	0	129	109	2	54.20
LOXTON	1	1	0	148	155	0	48.84
WAIKERIE	0	2	0	125	168	0	42.66
BERRI	0	2	0	126	216	0	36.84
MVFNL	W	L	D	F	A	P	%
BSR	2	0	0	219	112	8	66.16
RAMCO	2	1	0	200	187	8	51.67
MURRAYVILLE	1	1	0	200	125	4	61.53
SEDAN-CAMBRAI	1	1	0	133	128	4	50.95
WUNKAR	1	2	0	182	251	4	42.03
PARINGA	1	1	0	106	203	4	34.30
BROWN'S WELL	0	2	0	109	143	0	43.25

UNDER 18

Renmark 9.11 (65) d Waikerie 6.7 (43).
BEST: Renmark - H. Papageorgios, C. Goodman, E. McAllister, T. Johnson, I. Morgan, J. Kennedy. Waikerie - H. Glacken, H. Nitschke, S. Trandafil, K. Hahn, T. Edwards-O'Cass, H. Radolovic-Tripodi.
GOALS: Renmark - E. McAllister 3, J. Bentley, J. Kennedy 2, C. Goodman, T. Johnson. Waikerie - K. Hahn, M. Lloyd 2, T. Edwards-O'Cass, B. Loffler.

Berri 12.15 (87) d Loxton North 4.1 (25).
BEST: Berri - C. Erceg, J. Campaign, B. Wenman, C. Lloyd, J. Krendl, J. Dymmott. Loxton North - C. Petch, R. Wooldridge, L. Clayton, M. Hall, D. Walker, D. Venning.
GOALS: Berri - B. Wenman 3, J. Dymmott, C. Lloyd, S. Taylor 2, J. Campaign, P. Dale, B. Reid-Fletcher. Loxton North - W. Simes, R. Wooldridge 2.

Barmera-Monash 21.11 (137) d Loxton 3.0 (18)
BEST: Barmera-Monash - L. Warnett, R. Moore, N. Scott-Richardson, L. Marks, L. Allder, D. Gregory. Loxton - R. Montgomery, A. Edwards, J. Marlor, H. Westbrook, Z. Huddleston, D. Zdanowicz.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - L. Warnett 5, H. Johns, R. Moore 3, W. Nuske, N. Scott-Richardson, B. Scordo 2, M. Dixon, L. Marks, B. Rashleigh, T. Whitbourne. Loxton - A. Giles, R. Montgomery, R. Thiele-Butterworth.

UNDER 15

Renmark 21.16 (142) d Waikerie 1.1 (7).
BEST: Renmark - N. Martinson, S. DePalma, H. Riedel, H. Dring, J. O'Bryan, R. Harding. Waikerie - C. Collins, T. Moxham, J. Taverner, H. Radolovic-Tripodi, E. Lawrance, J. Coombe.
GOALS: Renmark - H. Dring, N. Martinson 5, S. DePalma 4, L. Brown, H. Meuret 2, K. Bronish-Rice, E. Bussenschutt, N. Warner. Waikerie - J. Coombe.

Berri 7.8 (50) d Loxton North 2.2 (14).
BEST: Berri - J. Hunter, R. Hill, T. Ferreira, D. Barr, S. Marsden, C. Kruger. Loxton North - A. Kent, C. Schwarz, D. May, J. Wyatt, W. King, C. Setchell.
GOALS: Berri - J. Hunter 3, P. Jackson, C. Kruger, S. Marsden, C. Staehr. Loxton North - A. Kent 2.

Barmera-Monash 35.11 (221) d Loxton 0.0 (0).
BEST: Barmera-Monash - M. Johnson, H. Banks, J. Norman, D. Marks, S. Humphries, K. Nixon. Loxton - W. Lister-White, B. Duthie, A. Tripp, L. Milton, L. Deren.
GOALS: Barmera-Monash - D. Marks 8, M. Johnson 5, I. Ness, J. Norman 4, T. Allder, S. Westcott 2, H. Banks, J. Doupis, N. Gartner, S. Humphries, E. Johnson, R. Johnson, M. Morris, K. Ogle, R. Scordo, B. Sullivan.



Renmark defeated Waikerie by 41 points on Saturday evening.

B GRADE	W	L	F	A	P	%
BARMERA-MONASH	2	0	158	59	4	72.81
WAIKERIE	2	0	175	68	4	72.01
LOXTON	1	1	120	91	2	56.87
BERRI	1	1	107	108	2	49.76
LOXTON NORTH	0	2	60	170	0	26.08
RENMARK	0	2	55	179	0	23.50
UNDER 18	W	L	F	A	P	%
BARMERA-MONASH	2	0	197	38	4	83.82
BERRI	2	0	152	62	4	71.02
WAIKERIE	1	1	171	72	2	70.37
RENMARK	1	1	85	103	2	45.21
LOXTON	0	2	55	202	0	21.40
LOXTON NORTH	0	2	32	215	0	12.95
UNDER 15	W	L	F	A	P	%
BARMERA-MONASH	2	0	300	4	4	98.6
BERRI	2	0	101	51	4	66.4
RENMARK	1	1	146	86	2	62.9
LOXTON NORTH	0	2	85	93	2	47.7
WAIKERIE	0	2	50	213	0	19.0
LOXTON	0	2	37	272	0	11.9
UNDER 13	W	L	F	A	P	%
LOXTON	2	0	88	29	4	
RENMARK*	1	0	67	40	3	
WAIKERIE	1	1	149	42	2	
BERRI	1	1	93	54	2	
BARMERA-MONASH*	0	1	51	62	1	
LOXTON NORTH	0	2	3	224	0	
* denotes draw						

LEADING GOALKICKERS

PLAYER	CLUB	TW	TOTAL
N. Gillard	R	5	10
Z. Wooldridge	LN	7	10
R. Kruger	B	4	7
R. Proud	LN	3	5
C. Koehne	LN	2	5
J. Beech	BM	5	5

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



9-goal blitz! Panthers get it done in final quarter

LACHLAN DAND

A STUNNING nine goal to one last quarter has helped Loxton North secure a second straight win to kickstart the 2024 RFL season.

The game started slowly for both sides, with just a two-point margin at the opening change, before a five goal to three quarter catapulted Berri to a seven-point lead at the half time interval.

Trailing by 10 points at three quarter time, North flicked the switch with nine goals, as Zac Wooldridge led the way to finish with seven majors.

Panthers boss Dave Higgins admitted that while his side might have had some luck throughout the last quarter, it was a pleasing win.

“We’re pretty confident in our fitness base, and we’d played pretty well throughout the day,” he said.

“Berri were really competitive throughout the day and made us work for it, but we knew if we stuck to what we wanted to do, we could get over the line in the end.

“At the end of the day we

don’t want to have to come from behind all the time because we need to start better.

“It’s pleasing to get over the line twice against two really solid opponents...”

Saturday’s clash was the first time Berri have played at home under new coach Brenton Woolston, and was also the first time the two new coaches have opposed each other.

Higgins said he was impressed with the way the Demons played, in what was an enthralling battle throughout the majority of the afternoon, despite what the final score read.

“I wasn’t surprised with what they brought. They seemed to have a pretty good structure and some super talent, especially up forward,” he said.

“There were a couple of young guys that caused us plenty of headaches throughout the day.

“We didn’t take the game lightly, and we knew it was going to be a serious ask, especially over there at their home ground.”

Duo Regan Kruger and Cohen Robertson were important up forward for



Zac Wooldridge booted seven goals in Loxton North’s come from behind victory. He is pictured firing out a handball to a teammate. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

114		72	MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD
5	Zac Wooldridge	LN	
4	Joel Worsfold	LN	
3	Cohen Robertson	B	
2	Caleb Koehne	LN	
1	Regan Kruger	B	

Berri, making the most of their opportunities, as each finished with four majors.

Patrick Minchella was strong through the midfield, helping feed the ball to outside runners Shay Hawkins and Dion Brauer, who drove the ball inside the forward 50 throughout the afternoon, and worked tirelessly.

Wooldridge’s bag of seven proved to be the difference in the end, and Higgins said having a piv-

otal point of difference in attack has been a pathway to success so far in 2024.

“Having him up forward is a massive positive for our team, and he’s really adaptable around the ground,” he said. “He’s not just a marking forward, we used him on the ball as well to start some of our attacking play.

“We know we can put him anywhere and he’ll play whatever role the team needs him to do on the day.

“There’s no question he finished off ours and his own work really well, so it’s obviously a massive plus to have him in the side.”

North faces off against Renmark this week in its first home game of the season, and Higgins understands the pressure of the match ahead.

“At the end of the day its only been two rounds so the win-loss tally doesn’t really matter coming into the

game,” he said. “We’re just going to do what we can, prepare as best we can, and freshen everyone up from a really tough game and have another crack at it.

“We’ll put our best foot forward and see where we sit at the end of the day.”

Berri will continue the search for its first win of the season, when it faces off against reigning premier Barmera-Monash at the Lakeside Oval.



Ryan Proud kicks truly for Loxton North on his way to a three-goal effort.



Caleb Koehne takes a strong overhead mark for the Panthers in the match against Berri on Saturday afternoon.

Beech bags five as Roos bounce back

LACHLAN DAND

AFTER a round one hiccup, Barmera-Monash has returned to the RFL winners list, following a five-goal haul from star recruit Jono Beech in a twilight clash at Loxton.

It was a low-scoring start to the contest, as has become the norm for the Roos under Fraser Sampson, with nothing separating the two sides at the opening change.

However, Barmera-Monash split the game wide open in the second quarter, booting six goals to none, extending the lead to 41 points at the major break.

The Roos' dominance would only continue into the third term with five goals to three, helping them ultimately run out 55-point victors.

While Barmera-Monash scored over 100 points for the first time under Sampson, he said he was also impressed with his backline.

"It certainly feels better to come away with a win this week and more importantly play a strong game both defensively and offensively," he said.

"I feel like we were able to win more clearance and also our defensive pressure lifted, resulting in us dominating territory in the second quarter.

"Definitely, Jono and Mason Middleton were important targets for us ahead of the ball and were able to win some crucial contests.

"It was great to see a broad spread of goalkickers and show that we have multiple avenues to goal."

Playing coach Luke Harder returned to the A grade lineup for the Tigers, providing an attacking threat with two majors.

Elsewhere, Lachlan Evans provided some dash down the wing throughout the evening, while star midfielder Jesse Will also shone.

"Loxton is always classy and have some really skilful players that can cut you up if you aren't on defensively," Sampson said.

"They showed glimpses of that, but probably just had more lapses than us throughout the game."

Teenager Fletcher Dillon impressed in his A grade debut for Barmera-Monash, showcasing admirable composure.

Elsewhere, Paul Spilios continued his good form, while Jameson Whitbourne found plenty of the football across half back.

The Roos had nine individual goalkickers throughout the evening, with new recruit Tomas Austin among the goal scorers following an off-season move from Renmark.

Barmera-Monash hosts the winless Berri next week at home in a council clash, but Sampson said his side will be expecting a fierce contest.

"Berri have shown that they are really threatening so far this year, challenging both Loxton and Loxton North, so it should be a great game," he said.

Loxton meanwhile tackles Waikerie, and could be without star midfielder Will Gutsche, who came off injured early in the loss to Barmera-Monash.



Barmera-Monash recruit Jono Beech booted five goals in Saturday evening's RFL A grade 55-point win over Loxton. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Tigers star Drew Kassulke takes possession.



Jameson Whitbourne was named in the best following his performance in the Roos' win over the Tigers.



DEXTER THE DOG: Riverland Superdogs player Darren 'Dexter' Kennedy in action against Blackwood at Lyrup on Sunday. The visitors scored a win over the locals. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Three decades of hockey

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE senior coach of Waikerie's B grade hockey team, Matt Wenske, is celebrating 30 consecutive years of playing the sport.

He is estimated to have played more than 500 games, after starting with the club during a season as an eight-year-old.

Wenske, 37, has played several A grade games for Waikerie and also previously represented the Riverland in the under-18 state competition, in Adelaide.

He said unfortunately he was "knocked unconscious", at the start of the first game and was not permitted to play for the rest of the round.

Wenske also spent a season playing A grade for the Mildura Wanderers Hockey Club.

"They had a different style of playing to the Riverland," he said. "We go to the ball, whereas they hang back."

"It was a good experience," Wenske said.

But he said having to travel up to Mildura regularly became a bit difficult to sustain.

In 2015, Wenske was captain of the B grade Waikerie hockey team that won the Riverland hockey grand final, breaking a drought of 22 years.

He is looking forward to his team achieving a hat-trick of grand final victories this year.

"I actually coached the winning B grade team last year and I am coaching it again this year," Wenske said.

He hopes to experience coaching a grand final team "back to back".



Waikerie's B grade hockey men's senior coach Matt Wenske started playing competitive hockey from the age of eight. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



Nick Gillard booted five goals for the second week in a row in the win over Waikerie. He is pictured marking ahead of Magpies defender Sam Chambers. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Waikerie ruckman Bradley Burgemeister fought valiantly in the loss to the Rovers on Saturday evening.



Declan Johnson links up with Harrison Brown to send Renmark inside the forward 50.

Rovers continue winning ways at the kennel

LACHLAN DAND

A FOUR-goal head start and a comfortable win over Waikerie lifted Renmark to two and zip in the 2024 RFL season, as boom recruit Nick Gillard booted five goals for the second week running.

With a 27-point lead at the opening change, Renmark controlled the game for the remainder, helping it run out 41-point victors.

Renmark playing coach Josh Vater said an undefeated start to the season had left an exciting feeling around the club.

“We’re obviously happy with the results, but also with how we’re playing, and taking the game on,” he said.

“It’s a bit different to what we’ve done in previous years with changes we’ve made over the off-season, but we’re very pleased with being two and none.”

Despite Waikerie controlling the ball throughout the early stages of the opening term, Renmark flicked the switch to help gain the ascendancy.

“I actually think in the first 10 minutes of both games the opposition probably had the better of us,” Vater said.

“On Saturday in the second half of that first quarter we were able to get on top, and take our opportunities.

“We were probably just more efficient going for-

ward than what they were, and that was probably the key difference throughout the first half.”

Renmark has conceded just 73 points across the opening fortnight, ahead of the next best defence by a 36-point margin.

Dan Woolford was among the Rovers’ best yet again, while Vater, Tim Blight and Trevor Thorpe continued to show their class.

“We’ve had a few changes to our back six over the last few years, and even this year with a bunch of different players taking on different roles,” Vater said.

“We’ve been careful of getting the mix right between youth and experience and our smalls and tall, and we’re happy with where it’s at right now.

“As the season goes on things will change with injuries and we’ll look to try different things. So far, it’s working, but it’s a long season ahead still.”

Waikerie fought strongly following the Rovers’ opening quarter onslaught, breaking even throughout much of the remainder.

Kade Hilton fought valiantly for the Magpies finishing with two goals up forward, while Reuben Ricciuto has proved to be an important off-season pick-up, providing plenty of forward pressure.

Following changes to the Renmark side throughout the off-season, Alex Haynes has been able to make an

impact as the Rovers’ biggest forward.

His presence ahead of the ball has been significant, booting three goals in the win, and combining well with Gillard.

“We’ve reduced his workload in the ruck this year because the role we had before was really demanding, so I think he’s revelling in the fact he gets to focus on just being a forward,” Vater said.

“He’s looking really fit this year, and he looks really hungry to do well, and if he gets enough opportunity he’ll make the opposition sides hurt.

“He’s had a really good start to the season and we’re super excited with where he’s at and what he can continue to do for us.”

Gillard’s second five-goal haul in as many weeks stole the show yet again, and Vater said it was pleasing to have such an attacking threat forward of the ball.

“It’s great to have him back, and to have him around the group is awesome and obviously he’s bringing plenty on field too,” he said.

“He’s another guy in really good condition, and he doesn’t need many opportunities to make you hurt which is really exciting for us.”

Renmark heads into enemy territory next week to take on Loxton North at Panther Park in a battle of the two undefeated sides.



Renmark veteran Jaryd Rowe continued his strong start to the season on Saturday evening.



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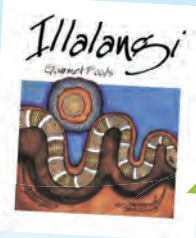


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Round 8

Points margin in
highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday 2 May, 4pm

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

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Round 9

Points margin in
highlighted game:

Entries close Thursday 9 May, 4pm

Carlton	☐	Melbourne	☐
Geelong Cats	☐	Port Adelaide	☐
Fremantle	☐	Sydney Swans	☐
Hawthorn	☐	St Kilda	☐
Essendon	☐	GWS Giants	☐
Richmond	☐	Western Bulldogs	☐
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ROUND 7 RESULTS

Louise Thiel	(7)47	Peter Wieckowski	(8)44
Stephen Matic	(8)46	Mark Kilmartin	(8)44
Elizabeth Steele	(8)46	Kathy Richardson	(8)44
Chris Schutz	(6)46	Trevor Flint	(8)44
Raelene Schutz	(8)45	Adele Johnson	(8)44
Duani Vowles	(8)45	Katelyn Lynch	(8)44
Mark Farley	(8)45	Marlene Schultz	(8)44
David Brindley	(7)45	Rosemary Campbell	(7)44
Barry Seagrim	(6)45	Maria Otero	(7)44
Chloe Brown	(8)44	Joel Stoeckel	(7)44

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Swans secure first win of 2024 MVFNL season

PARINGA has secured its first win of the 2024 Murray Valley Football League season, downing Wunkar by one-point in a thriller at Paringa Oval on Saturday.

Coming off a 98-point demolishing at the hands of BSR the week previous, the Swans got away to a slow start, trailing by three goals at the major break.

However, boom Renmark recruit Adren Herrador inspired the Swans to a second half comeback, as Paringa booted seven goals to two, stealing an unlikely win.

Isaac Frahn found plenty of the football throughout the afternoon, while Herrador’s midfield brilliance allowed him to boot three

goals, along with playing coach Chris Gardner.

Kobi Thompson provided a spark in the forward six for Wunkar with three majors, while Mitch Neumann and Tarquin Schulz both continued their good form for the Bulldogs.

Elsewhere, Ramco continued its winning ways, defeating Brown’s Well by 12 points in a see-sawing affair at the Ramco Sporting Facility.

Brown’s Well took a two-point advantage into the first break, before the Roosters responded with a three-goal to one second term, leading by 12 points at the half.

However, Brown’s Well used the

breeze to its advantage in the third quarter, with four goals to one to hold a nine-point lead at the final break, before a stirring response by Ramco helped it steal the win.

Nathan Birch was impressive for the Roosters with three goals, while Nathan Hart found plenty of the ball, helping the likes of Ben Durrant and Jesse Consalvo boot two apiece.

Meanwhile, Bombers forward James Lange provided a spark every time the ball was near him with four goals, while Bryce Oxlade and Ty McKenzie fought valiantly in the loss.

Sedan-Cambrai forfeited its Murray Valley Football

League game against home side Murrayville on Saturday.

The reigning premier took to social media to explain its actions.

“Unfortunately, due to a number of circumstances out of our control, we have had to forfeit our football game this week,” the club said on Facebook.

Next week sees Wunkar return home for a clash against the in-form BSR which will be fresh off the bye, while Sedan-Cambrai will face off with Paringa.

Elsewhere, Brown’s Well will look to get off the bottom of the ladder when it hosts the high-flying Murrayville in the match of the round.



Paringa recruit Adren Herrador kicked seven goals in his first game for the Swans on Saturday.
PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

AROUND THE GROUNDS

BARMERA-MONASH delivered a crushing 119-point win over Loxton in the RFL under 18s competition away from home on Saturday morning.

The win keeps Barmera-Monash’s winning record intact, following a win over the Rovers a week earlier.

The Roos kicked six goals to one in the opening quarter to help set up the victory, helping themselves to a 21-goal outing.

Lucas Warnett dominated in attack with five goals, while Hayden Johns and Rory Moore each booted two, benefiting from the service of Nicholas Scott and Lachlan Marks.

Ryder Montgomery fought valiantly for the Tigers, finishing with a goal, while Axel Edwards and Josh Marlor also found plenty of the football.

Elsewhere, Berri continued its winning ways with a 62-point win over Loxton North at home thanks to a three-goal effort from Brock Wenman, while Renmark ran out 22-point winners over Waikerie.

The biggest win of the weekend came through the under 15s competition where Barmera-Monash’s 35-goal display propelled it to a 221-point victory over Loxton.

Dillon Marks led the way with a bag of eight goals, while Mitch Johnson also booted five.

Loxton’s only junior victory of the weekend came through the under 13s competition, defeating the Roos by 11 points.

Riverland eightball:

- Division 1**
Just the Tip (Barmera) 9 d DILLIGAF (Lyrup) 7
Barmera Breaking Bad 9 d Lyrup Odd Bunch 7
Lyrup Club Lions 10 d Loxton RSL BC 6
Loxton RSL 11 d Lyrup Club Bushy 5
- Division 2**
Cobbers 9 d Red J’s (Loxton) 7
Monash Club 13 d Loxton Black 3
Waikerie Club 11 d Loxton RSL 5
- Division 3**
Cobby Roos 8 d Cobby Club 8 in blackball shootout
Renmark Aces 8 d Lyrup Club 8 in blackball shootout
Bonney Pelicans (Barmera) 13 d NFI (Barmera) 3
- Division 4**
The Unpredictables (Lyrup) 10 d Monash Rascals 6
Cobby Black Widows 8 d G.O.B 8 in blackball shootout
Cobby Scorpions 16 d Lyrup Lost & Found 0 (forfeit)

Barmera Clay Target Club:

- Event 1**
25 Target Skeet
Winner – Peter Panagoulas 24/25
2nd – Sean Arkinstall 23/25
3rd – Trevor Shaddock 22/25
- Event 2**
50 Target Double Barrel
Winner AA Grade – Sean Arkinstall 49/50
2nd AA Grade – Barry Wimshurst 46/50
Winner A Grade – Trevor Shaddock 49/50
2nd A Grade – Robert Maywald 46/50
Winner B Grade – Jim Pankhurst 39/50
Winner C Grade – Henery Reinders 46/50
- Event 3**
25 Target Continental
Winner – Barry Wimshurst 25/25
Equal 2nd – Trevor Shaddock, Sean Arkinstall 24/25
High Gun – Sean Arkinstall 96/100

Ling wins prestigious yachting trophy

THE prestigious Eb Farmer Perpetual Trophy was awarded to Geoff Ling at the Lake Bonney Yacht Club’s closing race awards ceremony on Saturday afternoon after his efforts on Pushing Limits.

Beau Delaine’s Bandit claimed the club championship award, while both the Club Handicap Series and Westpac Trophy went to Chris Stevens’ Blade. The Westpac Trophy is presented to the competitor with the lowest overall aggregate (under the ‘lower is better’ scoring system).

Due to inadequate conditions and light winds, the Queen of the Lake Race was unable to be held.



Lake Bonney Yacht Club commodore Peter Dunk (left) presents the Eb Farmer Perpetual Trophy to Geoff Ling at the club’s end-of-season presentation day.
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Beau Delaine won the club championship.



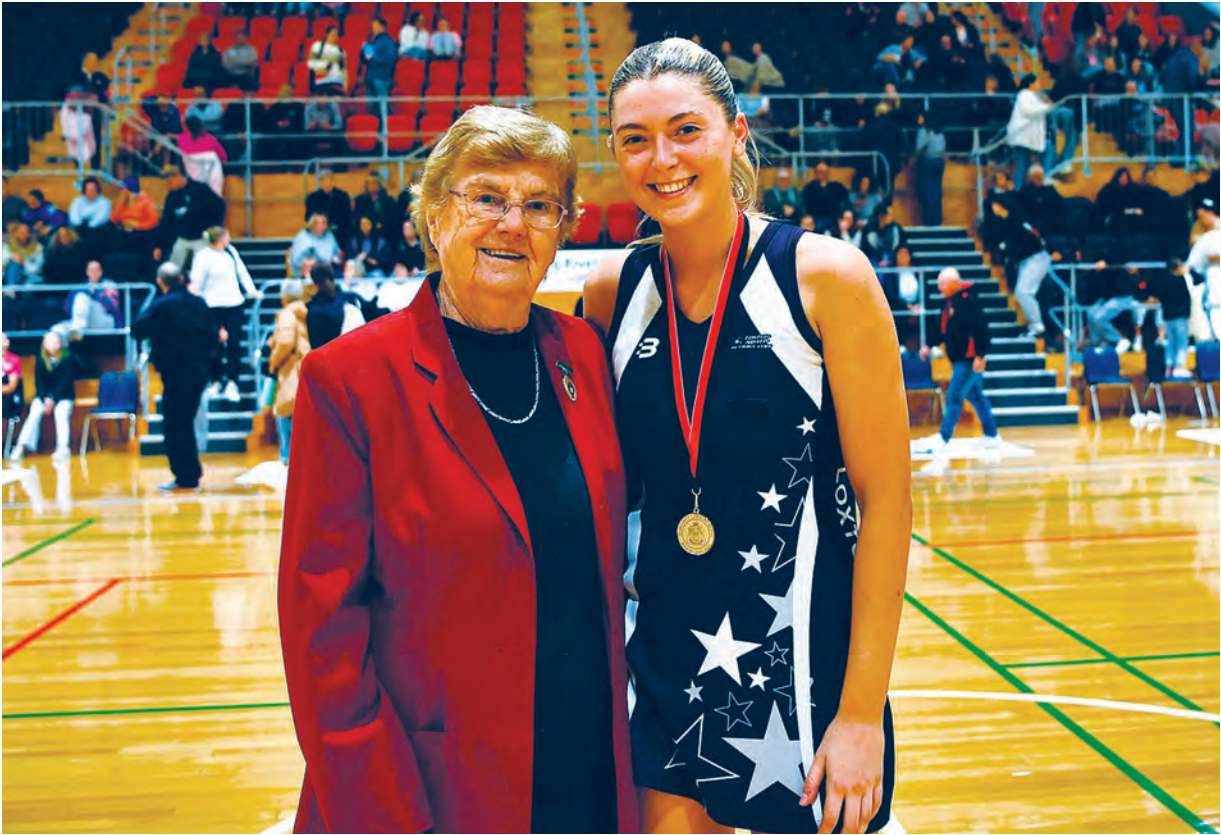
Peter Dunk presents Chris Stevens with the Club Handicap Series award.



Chris Stevens with the Westpac Trophy.



Junior sailors took to the water, despite winds being too light for the club’s Queen of the Lake event to be contested.



Loxton North netballer Ella Anderson took out the Anzac game medal. She is pictured with Riverland netball legend Marg Lambert. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Hogan pours in the points on opening night

A STAR performance from Loxton goal shooter Mackella Hogan lifted the Tigers to an opening night Riverland A1 netball win over Barmera at the Toyota Arena last Friday night.

Four A1 netball sides were present throughout the evening, with Renmark missing due to the bye as the association celebrated its Anzac Round.

Hogan notched up 52 goals in a dominant display in front of the ring, earning her best on court honours, while Bailey Hahn was resolute in defence.

Barmera failed to recover from an early deficit, despite valiant efforts from veteran Sue Whitbourne, and Lacey Hill, who finished with 31.

The Tigers relied upon their expe-

rience and strength throughout the evening, taking a seven-goal lead into the opening break, before extending the margin to 17 points at the half.

Loxton’s fast ball movement and team play proved hard to break down, with young talents Hahn and Skylar Schulz standing tall.

The win helps the reigning premiers get away to a strong start ahead of next week’s bye under new coach Jono Hartley.

Elsewhere, Loxton North proved too strong in a win away from home against Berri, prevailing by 15 goals.

In a fast and physical contest, both sides capitalised on turnovers, creating a seesawing affair throughout the opening stages.

In an efficient display, North shot

away to a 16-goal lead at the half, and never looked back, with duo Maddie Groth and Erin Jacobs in good shooting form.

Jacobs and Berri goalkeeper Taniel Willmott played out an intriguing duel, with Willmott taking home the Ade Correll Memorial Award for her efforts throughout the match.

However, midcourter Ella Anderson proved too strong for her fellow competitors, taking home the Anzac game medal with her strong play, sharing in the wing defence role.

Next week’s fixture sees Berri travel to Barmera in a battle between the two sides yet to taste success, while Loxton North hosts Renmark at The Precinct.



Mackella Hogan scored 52 for Loxton in the opening night win over Barmera.

A1				
LOXTON		V	BARMERA	
LOXTON	17	36	54	68
BARMERA	10	19	30	41
BEST: Loxton - M. Hogan, B. Hahn. Barmera - S. Whitbourne, J. Selfe.				
LOXTON NORTH		V	BERRI	
LOXTON NORTH	13	28	38	45
BERRI	6	12	20	30
BEST: Loxton North - M. Groth, P. Lawrie. Berri - A. Morgan, B. Franks.				

A2 Loxton North 40 d Berri 35. BEST: Loxton North - N. Cappelluti, M. Pfeiler. Berri - K. Mudge, M. Politis.	Renmark 60 d Waikerie 20. BEST: Renmark - M. Poole, O. Gartner. Waikerie - G. Gay, C. Salt.
Renmark 40 d Waikerie 28. BEST: Renmark - S. Esam, A. Koumbarakos. Waikerie - L. West, A. Leuders.	15B Loxton North 45 d Renmark White 8. BEST: Loxton North - A. Dalzell, A. Simes. Renmark White - E. Lang, E. Long.
Barmera 47 d Loxton 33. BEST: Barmera - H. Hodgson, T. Dack. Loxton - C. Doupis, M. Pannell.	Barmera 35 d Loxton 33. BEST: Barmera - L. Parrotta, M. Wegener. Loxton - Z. Reichstein, P. Edwards.
B1 Loxton North 47 d Berri 44. BEST: Loxton North - M. Athanasopoulos, K. Edmead. Berri - N. Bryan, N. Pfitzner.	13A Berri 39 d Loxton North 7 BEST: Berri - E. Cresp, E. Knight. Loxton North - I. Thomas, M. Hampel.
Renmark 41 d Waikerie 29. BEST: Renmark - C. Thompson, T. Putland. Waikerie - R. Sparrow, A. Burns.	Loxton 75 d Barmera 23. BEST: Loxton - N. Uren, M. Schwarza Silva. Barmera - J. Wright, A. Vallelonga.
B2 Berri 43 d Barmera 37. BEST: Berri - C. Grigg, C. Waye. Barmera - P. Tsorotiotis, J. Kropinyeri.	Renmark 42 d Waikerie 31. BEST: Renmark - T. Holmes, N. Gardner. Waikerie - I. Venning, G. Zarmbalas.
Renmark 49 d Loxton North 26 BEST: Renmark - A. Young, T. Steele. Loxton North - B. Spehr, S. Horsnell.	13B Renmark 34 d Berri 10 BEST: Renmark - S. Burnard, A. Tassios. Berri - Z. Verco, L. Marsden.
Loxton North Navy 44 d Cobdogla 43 BEST: Loxton North Navy - S. Pfeiler, E. Clayton. Cobdogla - K. Fletcher, M. Wellington.	Waikerie 20 d Loxton North 0. BEST: Waikerie - C. Collins, I. Nettelbeck. Loxton North - E. Semmler, S. Noack.
C1 Barmera 45 d Loxton 35. BEST: Barmera - M. Hopkins. Loxton - M. Charles, R. Brown.	Loxton Gold 21 d Loxton Black 20. BEST: Loxton Gold - T. Ogle, C. Andriske. Loxton Black - E. Isaacs, H. Edwards.
Loxton North 43 d Berri 14 BEST: Loxton North - K. Nugent, K. Lewis. Berri - A. Whelan, M. Turner.	13C Renmark Blue 21 d Renmark White 17. BEST: Renmark Blue - J. Livingston-Bornholm, W. Tippet. Renmark White - C. Camplin, T. Hansen.
C2 Monash 43 d Barmera 19 BEST: Monash - K. Knight, M. Morris. Barmera - C. Shearer.	Cobdogla 39 d Loxton 3. BEST: Cobdogla - C. Ogle, L. Sanderson. Loxton - T. Stanley, M. Roissetter.
Waikerie 18 d Renmark 17 BEST: Waikerie - P. Collins. Renmark - K. Faehrmann, J. Wolter.	11A Berri 24 d Loxton North 15 BEST: Berri - W. Roger, M. Drake. Loxton North - L. Paull, L. May.
17A Loxton North 61 d Berri 18. BEST: Loxton North - M. Groth, S. Eleftheriadis. Berri - H. Carter, M. Stoneham.	Loxton 46 d Barmera 4. BEST: Loxton - E. Hondow, A. Curtis. Barmera - S. Maleki, C. Parrotta.
Barmera 71 d Renmark 21 BEST: Barmera - J. Kassulke, M. Bourton. Renmark - L. Rothe, M. Baker.	Renmark 18 d Waikerie 7 BEST: Renmark - M. Gardner, E. Malinovski. Waikerie - A. Traeger, C. Golding.
17B Barmera 36 d Renmark White 26. BEST: Barmera - C. Kollias, M. Nagy. Renmark White - M. DePalma, C. Gadaleta.	11B Renmark 24 d Loxton North 12. BEST: Renmark - P. Wolf, J. Davidson. Loxton North - S. Koehne, C. Lynch.
Loxton North Navy 46 d Renmark Blue 28. BEST: Loxton North Navy - R. Inglis, S. Ingerson. Renmark Blue - K. Thiele, H. Teare. Z. Steele.	Loxton 28 d Berri 5. BEST: Loxton - Z. Thompson, P. Arnold. Berri - M. Singh, K. Guihenneuc.
15A Berri 48 d Loxton North 35. BEST: Berri - S. Glen, C. Reid. Loxton North - K. Harman, L. Hutchinson.	11C Loxton 36 d Barmera 5 BEST: Loxton - M. Wehrmuller, O. Curtis. Barmera - Z. Gray, E. Henderson.
Barmera 65 d Loxton 19. BEST: Barmera - M. Kassulke, H. Brattoli. Loxton - A. Pannell, P. Montgomery.	Waikerie 9 d Renmark 0. BEST: Waikerie - S. McDonald, M. Martin. Renmark - T. Greathead.



Taniel Willmott and Maddie Groth battle it out under the ring. Willmott was awarded the Ade Correll Memorial Trophy.

Barmera golfer rides to history while crossing the Nullarbor

LACHLAN DAND

WHEN Barmera Golf Club member Mick Maschotta decided to compete in the Chasing the Sun Golf Tournament across the Nullarbor, not many knew he was on the verge of creating history.

Starting on 5 April, Mr Maschotta took on the 18-hole, 1365km golf course – comprising one hole in each participating town or roadhouse, from Kalgoorlie WA to Ceduna – by motorbike.

The tournament has participants come from across the globe, with celebrities such as golf legend Greg Norman having previously taken on the course.

The 2024 edition featured players from Vietnam, Canada, Germany, New Zealanders and Australia.

Mr Maschotta was introduced to the course through fellow Barmera Golf Club

member Meredith Williams, who has tackled the course on three separate occasions.

“There were a few people at the club who signed up so I thought I’ll jump on board as well, and that’s how it all basically came about,” he said.

“Most people drive to each hole, but I am the first person in its history that has done it by motorbike.

“I’d planned to cross the Nullarbor last year but that didn’t eventuate, so it had been something I wanted to do and the golf event happened to work into the scenario.”

The tournament was run over nine days, with the first two holes played in Ceduna in South Australia, and the last two held in Kalgoorlie.

Mr Maschotta was successful in the nine-hole ambrose event in Ceduna, combining with a Perth representative to win the event.

“Along the way there’s other little competitions, and some of our members did really well and won some events too,” he said.

“Kevin Martin actually won the overall 18-hole Chasing the Sun tournament, which was terrific for the club.

“Out of the nine Barmera golfers that went, six of us cleaned up most of the prizes.”

Mr Maschotta was highly complimentary of the courses that the golfers played on, with each destination having a perfect green.

“It’s an amazing tournament, and it’s nothing like people would imagine,” he said.

“The greens are all artificial turf, and the fairways have rocks, dirt, and bushes right through them so you have to concentrate.

“Due to the delicate nature of the fauna, you aren’t

allowed to hit off the fairways, and you must lift your ball up, so that means you tee it off of something.

“It’s a well organised tournament, and I would strongly suggest anyone going over to the west that is crossing the Nullarbor to get involved because it is a lot of fun.”

While numbers fluctuate each year, 47 entrants took part in the 2024 course, with each participant receiving a certificate of completion.

“Once you complete each hole along the way you get your card stamped at the local roadhouse to verify you’ve done it,” Mr Maschotta said.

“It’s really well done, and people get involved along the way so there is a lot of benefit for people involved.

“It’s an event that has escalated from a dream that a couple of guys had all those years ago into now what is a successful golf tournament.”



Barmera Golf Club member Mick Maschotta with the motorbike he rode to cross the Nullarbor for the Chasing the Sun Golf tournament. PHOTO: supplied

RIVERLAND GOLF RESULTS

BERRI
Wednesday 24 April – Stableford
S. Pitt 35, J. Skinner 35, L. Berry 35, D. Shawyer 35, W. Adams 34, R. Keightley 33.
Saturday 27 April – Stroke

A. Rogers 67, W. Adams 71, S. Breakwell 71, S. May 72, S. Schloithe 73, P. Mudge 74, R. Day 74.
Sunday 28 April – Stableford
L. Campbell 41, J. Smith 36, B. Smith 34, G. Harris 33.

LOXTON
Wednesday 24 April
Men – B. Skinner 40, H. Kara-Ali 38, S. Mills 35, D. Sunman 35, B. Chapman, J. Bentley 34, S. Semmler 34, P. Hamilton 34.

Women – J. Cooney 34, Y. Reynolds 33, S. Pannell 33, L. Rowe 32.
Thursday 25 April – Mundic Cottages Anzac Day Stableford.
Men – P. Hopper 35, D. Sunman 34, D. Tyler 34, G. MacInnes 30.

Women – J. Patching 37, J. Ling 33, Y. Reynolds 31, M. Tyler 26.
Saturday 27 April
Men – S. Semmler 38, G. MacInnes 37, J. Reynolds 35, D. Sunman 33, D. Tyler 32, O. Walkley 32, R. Paige 32, A. Lodge

31, C. Broad (Willunga) 31, G. White 31.
Women – J. Ling 37, J. Burt (Willunga) 36, Y. Reynolds 34, J. Bullock 33, G. Doyle (Willunga) 32, S. Pannell 32.

Rovers exit women’s competition

LACHLAN DAND

RENMARK has officially withdrawn from the Riverland Women’s Football League competition, citing low player numbers as the key reason.

Renmark has been involved in the RWFL since its inception in 2018, but its departure leaves the competition with just three teams in 2024.

The 2024 season will progress nonetheless, with games involving Renmark becoming immediate bye rounds.

RFL chairman Henry Crawford said the league was disappointed with the situation, but had been aware of Renmark’s low player numbers.

“From what we understand they started the season with solid numbers out at training, but it’s just slowly drifted off for various reasons,” he said.

“It’s very unfortunate, but it is what it is and we’ve just got to move on.

“We called a meeting with the remaining clubs on Tuesday night and we decided that we’ll continue the season as best as we can.

“It isn’t ideal for anyone, but at least those girls at the remaining clubs still have a competition, and the Renmark girls that still want to play are encouraged to play at the other clubs.”

Worryingly for the SANFL, women’s football numbers are declining across regional towns all over the state, but Mr Crawford said the local compe-



Renmark’s womens side prepares for its semi final against Berri in 2023. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

tition would continue working hard to support women’s football as best as possible.

“We’re getting feedback from the SANFL that there is an ongoing trend across regional towns of a decline in women’s football as a whole,” he said.

“It could be that girls are losing interest with scheduling, and whatever you do you can’t please everyone.

“Whether the scheduling and making the games on Thursday nights has been a factor for Renmark we don’t know, but it’s something we need to have a closer look at in the future.

“My message is that if people want women’s footy in our region, we need people to participate, and it might not be a

perfect scenario, but if you don’t support it, we’ll lose it.

“It’s certainly a challenge, but we’re working through that, and clubs are working hard to try and recruit, but having said that it isn’t easy in men’s football either.”

Mr Crawford said the RFL’s goal was to build the competition back up to six teams in the future, allowing each club to be represented.

“We’re a long way from where we’d like to be at the moment.

“One of the challenges which we haven’t grasped in the past is fully understanding our pathways,” he said.

“That means building numbers through junior football, and

having them flow through into our senior competitions.

“Women’s footy started with a bang, but as a senior competition we haven’t had the flow-on effect through the junior teams to fill the sides as they come through.

“That’s definitely something we need to have a look at and continue to get better at.

“As a league we’ve set up a more strategic committee to develop a plan for women’s football over the next three to five years.

“That’s going to take some time to work through, but we need to rebuild and relaunch women’s football from a clean slate, and build from the ground up.”



Riverland doubles darts winners Lee Rasheed (left) pictured with Darcy Crane. PHOTO: supplied

Rasheed and Crane take home darts doubles crown

A BIG crowd piled in to the Monash Club for the Riverland Doubles darts competition on Thursday night, with four maximum 180s thrown.

Calib Martin secured the highest peg out of the night with 102, while Darcy Crane threw two 180s, while Broden May and Mark Hammerling each hit the target.

Defending champions Lee Rasheed and Crane had some hard matches but were able to make it through to the grand final.

The pair came up against veterans Darren Parfitt and Jeff Broekers, who came through the repacharge round.

Rasheed and Crane had defeated Parfitt and Broekers earlier in the night, and continued their winning ways in a close match to secure back-to-back championships.

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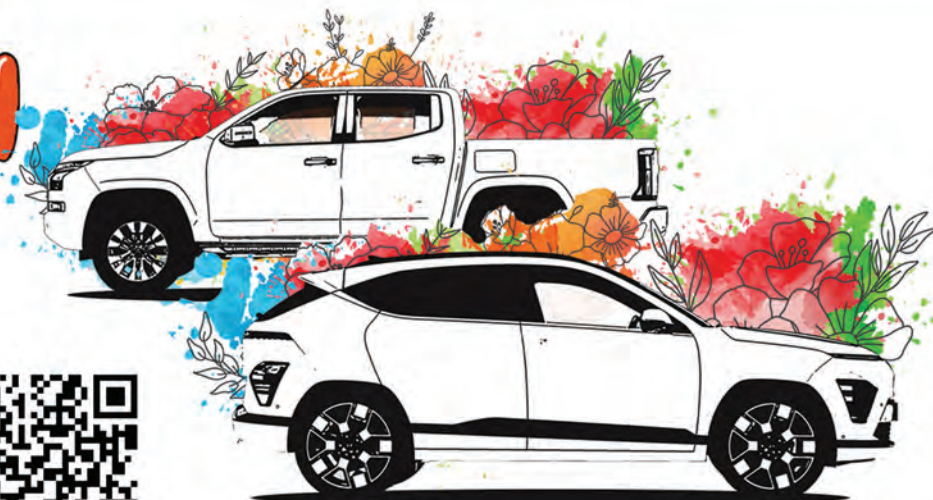
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RENMARK has officially withdrawn from the Riverland Women's Football League competition, citing low player numbers as the key reason. The Rovers have been involved in the RWFL since its inception in 2018, but their departure leaves the competition with just three teams in 2024.

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The now defunct Renmark RWFL side in its round one 2023 clash with Berri. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Soccer returns

AFTER a long off-season, Riverland senior men's soccer returns to the Berri football grounds on Sunday afternoon in what is expected to be an exciting season.

Renmark Olympic took out the league in the 2023 season, but it was Barmera United which claimed victory in the Top Four Cup final.

The season kicks off with a double header, as Berri River Rangers take on Renmark Olympic as the only home side, while Loxton United faces off against Barmera United at 3.20pm.

Junior soccer also returns on Sunday afternoon, with under 10 games scheduled for 12.30pm.

For a full preview on each Riverland Soccer Association side, read the 2024 Game Plan magazine.

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