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Mr Albanese, meet our new PM, Mr Albanese

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However, pronunciation of the PM's surname puzzles the local.

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SA Farmer **INSIDE TODAY**

Valuation rise to impact Berri Barmera Council rates

BALANCING ACT

JOSH BRINE

A LOCAL council expects to collect an extra \$800,000 in general rates due to valuation rises in the next financial year – and collect up to 12 per cent more from individual ratepayers – despite proposing to

keep its rate in the dollar the same.

Residential property valuations across the Berri Barmera Council district have risen more than 11 per cent in the past year, resulting in an expected 9.4 per cent jump in general rate revenue compared to 2021-22, according to council's draft budget.

In the budget, presented at last night's ordinary meeting, council proposed a rate-capping system to ensure property owners pay no more than 12 per cent more on rates in 2022-23 compared to the previous financial year.

"This is the third consecutive

year council has elected for a zero increase (in the rate in the dollar) ..." said Berri Barmera Council CEO Dylan Strong.

"At the end of the day, council doesn't control the increase in capital values."

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SAPOL officers were forced to use road spikes to help stop this stolen RAV4 on Monday, before the occupants were later arrested in a nearby distillery. The matter was related to a weekend stabbing in Mildura that saw a man lose his life. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker



Waikerie's Covid testing site to reopen

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE Waikerie Health Services' Covid-19 PCR testing service has been temporarily closed at a time when sectors of the local community have been reporting significant levels of cases.

SA Health told The Murray Pioneer on Monday that due to unplanned leave and the unavailability of alternate testing staff at Waikerie Health Service, the Covid PCR testing service had been temporarily closed since May 16.

The service usually operates from Monday to Friday.

A spokeswoman said the service at Waikerie would recommence today when additional staff would be available onsite to provide PCR testing services.

She said a temporary Covid-19 testing and vaccination clinic service would operate from 8.30am to 2.30pm today, tomorrow, Friday and Saturday.

The spokeswoman said PCR testing was also available at the Riverland General Hospital at Berri via a high-capacity, drive-through testing site.

She said people who are close contacts, but are minus symptoms can access free rapid antigen tests at collection sites at Glossop, Berri, Murray Bridge, Meningie, Pinnaroo and Lameroo.

PCR tests can be booked at the Waikerie Health Service by phoning 8541 0555.

PAGE 11 Waikerie Covid wave

Renmark arrest follows Mildura stabbing

TWO people who led police on a chase through a Riverland town have been arrested in relation to a weekend Mildura stabbing.

Police used road spikes during the pursuit of a stolen Toyota RAV4 on the Sturt Highway, at Paringa, on Monday morning, however the car continued driving until the tyres came off and it came to a stop in Renmark.

Two occupants – a 23-year-old man of no fixed address and a 24-year-old woman from Gulfview Heights – ran from the car into a nearby distillery, where they were arrested a short time later.

The male was interviewed by both SAPOL and Victorian Homicide Squad detectives, and was charged with theft of a motor

vehicle and driving dangerously to escape police pursuit.

The female was arrested on interstate charges and will be extradited back to Victoria.

The arrests follow an incident where a 36-year-old Mildura man was taken to a Mildura hospital with suspected stab wounds at 4.45pm last Saturday, May 21.

He passed away a short time

after and an investigation remains ongoing.

A 20-year-old man also involved in the situation had been arrested in Mildura on Monday morning, following an alleged carjacking.

Riverlanders with any information relating to the matter are encouraged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.



Winter Farmer inside today's Murray Pioneer

IT'S a huge Murray Pioneer today – 98 pages in fact – with Taylor Group Media's quarterly SA Farmer magazine inserted free inside today's paper.

The 50-page winter edition of SA Farmer magazine provides extensive coverage of agricultural news, plus stories of primary producers throughout regional South Australia.

This edition includes topics such as Coolong-based stocklift manufacturer Rod Holland, pictured reading the latest SA Farmer magazine.

RIVERLAND WEATHER

	WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY		MONDAY	
RENMARK		20° 12°		20° 11°		18° 10°		19° 7°		18° 7°		16° 8°
	SHOWERS		CLEARING SHOWER		MOSTLY SUNNY		MOSTLY SUNNY		MOSTLY SUNNY		POSSIBLE SHOWER	
WINDSPEED	9am NE18	3pm N17	9am WNW10	3pm WSW14	9am SW10	3pm SW12	9am NW8	3pm W13	9am N13	3pm NNW23	9am NW31	3pm WNW36
LOXTON		20° 12°		21° 10°		19° 8°		18° 6°		19° 6°		15° 8°
	SHOWERS INCREASING		FOG THEN SUNNY		FOG THEN SUNNY		FOG THEN SUNNY		LATE SHOWER		THUNDERSTORMS	
WAIKERIE		20° 12°		21° 10°		19° 8°		18° 6°		19° 6°		15° 8°
	SHOWERS INCREASING		FOG THEN SUNNY		FOG THEN SUNNY		FOG THEN SUNNY		LATE SHOWER		THUNDERSTORMS	

WATER REPORT

	TEMPORARY ALLOCATION: \$105 PER MEGALITRE										FLOW INTO SA		
LEVELS (METRES)	LOCK 6	19.25	LOCK 5	16.29	LOCK 4	13.18	LOCK 3	9.81	LOCK 2	6.13	LOCK 1	3.25	25688 MEGALITRES PER DAY
SALINITY (EC UNITS)	LOCK 6	230	LOCK 5	242	LOCK 4	231	LOCK 3	221	LOCK 2	242	LOCK 1	244	

Renmark gets the top tourism gong

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER and JOSH BRINE

RENMARK tourism businesses deserve credit for the Riverland town being recognised as SA's number one tourism destination, the local mayor says.

Renmark was last week named South Australia's Top Tourism Town for 2022 at a ceremony held at Government House, in Adelaide.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson said the award reflected contributions of all the town's tourism business operators.

"The award represents the strong and innovative tourism collective we have in our district," Mr Martinson said.

"We are fortunate to have progressive local operators, a diverse range of experiences, a naturally stunning river environment and a structure that supports and promotes the visitor experience."

Renmark is set to receive an extensive marketing and development package for winning the award, including advertising features from Adelaide, FIVEaa, and the Adelaide Airport, an article in SA Life's June edition, and a training package from Shop Local SA.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone said

Riverland tourism was integral to the South Australian economy.

"I am thrilled that the resilience and innovation of our local tourism operators have been recognised in this way," Mr Whetstone said.

"We have our own little slice of paradise on the Murray here and it doesn't take long for visitors to fall for the charm of the Riverland region.

"It is a wonderful opportunity to put South Australia's best regional tourism destination on the national stage and have our region recognised for the fantastic visitor destination that it is."

BIG4 Renmark Riverfront Holiday Park manager Gayle Gudgeon said the award was "well-deserved recognition" for the often "overlooked" tourist destination.

"I think we've been a little hidden gem for a very long time and we haven't been recognised for what the area has to offer," she said.

"We've been renowned for our agriculture and the produce that comes from this region, but I think tourism is second only to agriculture in the Riverland.

"It's a wonderful recognition of something we all knew and hopefully it does open up the area to more new visitors."



Renmark Paringa visitor services co-ordinator Sue Whitbourne (left), and visitor information officer Emma Mullin, jumping for joy after Renmark was announced as South Australia's Top Tourism Town for 2022. PHOTOS: Deirdre Graham

Tourism Industry Council South Australia chair Eoin Loftus said Riverland towns had maximised intrastate tourism potential generated by Covid-19 travel restrictions.

"Our regions overall have attracted significant visitor expenditure throughout this Covid period, proving their resilience and

important contributions to our state's economy," Mr Loftus said.

"It is fantastic to be celebrating and recognising our state's tourism towns."

Renmark will now represent South Australia at the national Top Tourism Town awards later this year.

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- Gayle Gudgeon
Big4 Renmark Riverfront Holiday Park manager



Celebrating Renmark's Top Tourism Town award were (back, left) Boats and Bedzzz Houseboat Stays owner Deanne Flaherty, Renmark River Cruises operator Matt Voight, 23rd Street Distillery venue manager Jasmine Morgan, BIG4 Renmark Riverfront Holiday Park manager Gayle Gudgeon, Renmark Hotel general manager Darren Baker and Mallee Estate winemaker Jim Markeas, with (front) Renmark Paringa visitor information officers Renae Harman and Emma Mullin, Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson, Sue Whitbourne, and visitor information officer Kirsty Crack.



Emma Mullin and Sue Whitbourne accepting the award at Government House, with Adelaide's Lauren De Cesare. PHOTO: supplied

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DEMOCRACY IN ACTION: The scene in Loxton around lunchtime last Saturday, when short lines formed to vote in the 2022 Federal Election. PHOTO: supplied

Barker MP targets party's SA leaders

CALLS from senior SA Liberal, Senator Simon Birmingham, for the vanquished federal party to further embrace climate change action have been shot down by Barker MP Tony Pasin.

In a stinging rebuke of the Liberal Party's senior SA members, Mr Pasin – re-elected for a fourth term on Saturday – said the election results proved that conservative faction MPs fare better with electorates than pro-

gressive candidates.

"It's clear that conservative members like myself did exceptionally well and that's a message that I think the Liberal Party should heed very strongly," Mr Pasin told The Murray Pioneer.

Speaking on ABC TV's Insiders on Sunday, Mr Birmingham highlighted climate change "action" as among the policies the Coalition needed to get right in order to return to power.

"We acknowledge the need for Australia to play a leading role in action around the world and that we get our language as well as our policies right in that space," he said.

However, Mr Pasin said the results of the recent State Election, along with last Saturday's route, showed change was necessary within SA Liberal leadership team, and that being "Labor lite" was a plan

doomed for failure.

In addition, while speaking to ABC Riverland this week, Mr Pasin had some pointed advice.

"I was critical of the state Liberal Party at the last state election, but my comments were directed at the operational wing of the Liberal Party in SA," he said.

"That operational wing was the same operational wing that took us into this election, and I should say, has lost us the seat of Boothby and taken an otherwise strong seat of Sturt right to the line in a white-knuckle ride.

"The reality is... in terms of the Liberal Party in South Australia, there needs to be change, and the people that are leading the Liberal Party in South Australia at the moment – I'm a member of parliament, I'm not leading the Liberal Party in South Australia – need to consider their position really seriously.

"Because we can't continue to cede ground to the Labor Party, particularly where I'm able to maintain a really strong position in Barker, but others seem to be crab-walking backwards, which is a bad outcome."

Mr Pasin's close friend, Liberal Senator for SA, Alex Antic, shared Mr Pasin's view on Sky News this week.

"Ultimately the Liberal Party has to be the Liberal Party – not an imitation of Labor and The Greens," he said.

- PAUL MITCHELL

SA Covid laws 'out of step', say local duo

PAUL MITCHELL

THE Riverland's two state politicians say the SA Government's new Covid-19 laws, which include potential jail terms for serious breaches, are out of step with Australia's new direction.

With the support of the Greens and SA Best, Premier Peter Malinauskas rammed the public health legislation changes through parliament last week, enshrining maximum penalties for pandemic breaches of two years' jail or a \$75,000 fine for businesses and a \$20,000 fine for individuals.

While the changes also allowed SA's emergency declaration to be scrapped yesterday, the retention of heavy punishments has been criticised by Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone and his Liberal Party colleague, Legislative Council Member Nicola Centofanti.

"The Covid-19 legislation pushed through by the SA Labor Government is not in step with where Covid is today," Mr Whetstone said.

"We are in a new era of Covid, our communities have done the hard yards by getting vaccinated and complying with social reforms.

"Some penalties were necessary during the unknown phase of the pandemic; however, we have moved passed this and the excessive penalties are not in line with the rest of the country."

The Public Health Act enforces Covid isolation, plus vaccine mandates and mask use in high-risk settings, such as nursing home and hospitals.

Ms Centofanti said while the Liberal Party supported moving out of emergency declaration, the fines and potential jail terms were "disappointing", and ongoing intrusions on personal liberties

were worrying.

"In addition, the removal of several key special principles regarding rights and liberties from this Covid-19 Amendment Bill that are adhered to under the Public Health Act is extremely concerning," she said.

"Fortunately, some amendments to the Bill were successful, including a Covid response oversight committee, as well as a 'disallowance' mechanism that effectively allows the parliament to cancel legislation it does not agree with.

"Given orders can be made that intrude on people's liberties, it is important that the government demonstrates the evidence on which they are made.

"These amendments occurred because the Liberal Party refused to sacrifice common sense and just tick and flick this important legislation."

One Nation's inaugural SA Legislative Council Member, Sarah Game, said Labor, the Greens and SA Best were "not interested in protecting the basic rights and freedoms of the South Australian people".

"Instead of wielding power on behalf of the South Australian people as they're supposed to do, they want to wield power over the South Australian people," Ms Game said.

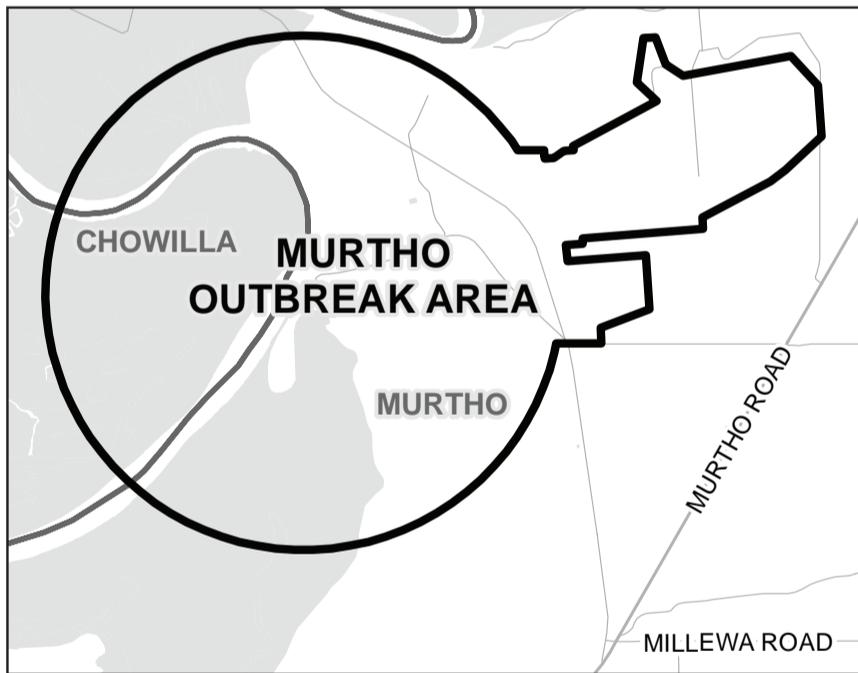
Meanwhile the state government yesterday also lifted the requirement on SA school students to wear masks, effective next week.

However, masks will still be "strongly recommended" for years 3 to 12 students, plus all adults on school grounds.

"This is a very positive step forward for students and teachers," Mr Malinauskas said in a statement.

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FRUIT FLY OUTBREAK MURTHO



Queensland fruit fly has been found at Murtho.

A 1.5 km radius outbreak area has been established which takes in the localities of Murtho and Chowilla.

This will apply until at least 22 December 2022, if there are no further detections.

If you live in the area, visit fruitfly.sa.gov.au to understand the restrictions in place.

Once purchased or picked from the garden, some fruit and vegetables cannot move from properties in the outbreak area.

An eradication program has begun in the area. PIRSA staff wearing orange overalls and carrying ID will be entering front and back yards to apply organic fruit fly bait and check fruit.

Call the industry hotline on 1800 255 556 to discuss special arrangements for moving commercial produce.

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Pasin's eye on higher honours

PAUL MITCHELL

TONY Pasin hopes his record as Barker MP – during the past three terms and at election time – can lead him to higher honours in the new Coalition shadow ministry.

Despite the Morrison Government being swept from power at Saturday's Federal Election, Mr Pasin retained his seat for a fourth term with one of the strongest remaining Liberal majorities in the nation – approximately 65-35 under the two-candidate preferred system.

While new Labor Prime Minister Anthony Albanese was being sworn in this week, the Coalition was surveying the damage and preparing to elect a new leader, almost certain to be Queensland-based conservative Peter Dutton.

Mr Pasin was reluctant to speculate, but hinted that his long-held ambition to scale the Coalition ladder remained intact.

"I'd love to be given an opportunity to join shadow cabinet, but those are matters for other people," he said.

"I certainly won't be taking a backward step (and) I hope others assess my performance over the course of

1ST PREFERENCE %	
53.29	T. Pasin (LIB)
20.77	M. Braes (LAB)
7.22	M. Braes (LAB)
6.44	M. Braes (LAB)
4.16	M. Braes (LAB)
3.09	M. Fry (IND)
2.48	J. Pietzsch (NAT)
1.82	V. Pannell (IND)
0.74	K. Hanton (AFP)
TCP %	
65.15	T. Pasin (LIB)
34.85	M. Braes (LAB)

eight and a half years, and particularly what we were able to achieve in Barker in the last three years.

"I note that (despite) significant swings all around the country, we managed to retain all but around 2.5 per cent of our two-party-preferred vote in Barker, which is a bit of a bright light on a dim night.

"But whatever is in store for me is a matter for others and I'll serve my electorate in any way that I'm asked to."

Mr Pasin, who described Mr Dutton as "a good bloke", is more factionally aligned with the re-elected Member for Dickson than former PM Scott Morrison.

Meanwhile the Barker election went as expected, with the 3.79 per cent two-

candidate preferred swing against Mr Pasin well below the national figure of around 5.7 per cent.

Mr Pasin was again elected on first-preference votes alone, notching 53.29 per cent of the vote, a swing away from him of 4.59 per cent.

Candidate Mark Braes oversaw had a 0.74 per cent swing against Labor in Barker.

Greens candidate Rosa Hillam polled the third highest first-preference votes and effected a small swing her way (0.38 per cent), well below the nationwide swing to the Greens of 1.5 per cent.

From a standing start, One Nation's Carlos Quaremba polled 6.44 per cent of the vote, following on from the party's strong showing in Chaffey in the March State Election.

Of the 95,334 votes counted for Barker so far, 6335 – or 6.64 per cent – were informal, fractionally above the national average of 6.62 per cent.

Mr Pasin said his willingness to work across his entire electorate, which stretches from the state's South East to the Riverland, across to the Barossa Valley, and to Murray Bridge, con-



Re-elected Member for Barker Tony Pasin casting his ballot at Mount Gambier High School on Saturday with wife Fiona Lee and their girls, Bella and Aria. PHOTO: supplied

tributed to his re-election.

However, Mr Pasin said the overall result had left him with a feeling of "sadness" for what he claimed was a good government in difficult times.

"I know lots of people who have lost their roles, but that's democracy in action," he said.

"The party will need to regroup federally, we'll need to choose a new leader, and we'll need to campaign strongly.

"It's a difficult day because I acknowledge and respect the will of the Australian people, but these have been very difficult times.

"And for a moment I'd just like to say I think the government has handled the fires, the floods and the pandemic incredibly well and positioned Australia very well for a strong economic future. I hope the newly elected government doesn't do anything to (hinder) the recovery."

Mr Albanese, meet your new Prime Minister, Mr Albanese

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ister, after Anthony Albanese led his Labor Party to a crushing election victory.

However, while the spelling of the Italian surname is identical, the new PM and the national media differ in their pronunciation to the local clan.

"I'm always intrigued when he's called Alba-nee-zee, because we've always called it Albanese," Sam said.

"I'm not sure, but maybe his background is from a

different region in Italy and they say it a bit differently."

Sam is unaware of any family connection with the Prime Minister, but says the name is commonplace in Italy.

"Albanese is quite a popular name in Italy," he said.

"It's not quite as common as Brown or Smith here, but there's even a region in southern Italy called Spezzano Albanese, which is a municipality in Consenza, Calabria."

Sam, 65, is more certain that his late father, Dominic, was the original Albanese to call the Riverland home. His dad arrived in post-war Australia around 1952, spending time in a Melbourne internment camp before being sent to Morgan to chop wood for steam trains and boats.

After repaying his fare, Dominic journeyed to Renmark, eventually working for the Rudiger and Heading families, before

buying a property at Pike River.

Sam says his father travelled to the Riverland with three other Italian men: two Albanese cousins and a Catalano.

Remarkably, his parents were married in separate countries, with Dominic's brother standing in for him in Italy, opposite new bride Maria.

"Mum had to be married before she could go anywhere, including join-

ing Dad in Australia," Sam explained.

"Dad was one of the original Albaneses, but there's a lot up here now."

Meanwhile Sam is ready for his surname to dominate Australian media for at least the next three years.

"Well, I've got no choice," he joked.

"But I just hope he does a good job, because that's what it's all about."

- PAUL MITCHELL

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

No safe seats in council elections

STRAP yourself in for a third election in 2022.

Yes, in November local government elections will be held across South Australia.

An increasing number of people bemoan living in a safe seat, like we occupy in the Riverland, both federally and at state level in Barker and Chaffey respectively.

However, on the latter, it was only as recently as 2010 that sometime Nationals MP Karlene Maywald was the state Member for Chaffey, while also a minister in the Rann Labor government.

But since then state and federal elections have been largely predictable fare for Riverland voters, even allowing for the 2018 Chaffey election, which saw SA Best candidate Michelle Campbell emerge as some sort of threat to sitting Liberal MP Tim Whetstone.

Further, as re-elected Barker MP Tony Pasin pointed out this week, suggestions he has taken his electorate for granted and failed to lobby for funding are demonstrably false. He labelled an ABC report that suggested as much "an insult".

That aside, local government elections are always marginal and all locals yearning for a live contest will have their wish fulfilled in just a few months.

So, now is the time to become more engaged with council, its decisions and its elected members, many of whom will be putting their hand up for re-election.

And they need your vote.

Annual budgets are currently being released and council plans unveiled. Much of it will affect many Riverlanders.

The message is clear: take an interest in what your council is doing. And when the elections roll around, request answers from these candidates.

Local politics is infinitely more accessible than the other two tiers of government, and councillors – particularly here in the Riverland – are acutely aware they serve local ratepayers.

Now is the time to question and query your local councillors. And to remember their answers when it comes time to vote.

Are you happy with the developments in town? Do you think your rates notice is fair enough, particularly given the much-talked-about inflation figures hogging news headlines during the Federal Election campaign? Or do you think the rate increases are out of line with community expectations?

Those doubting the impact councillors can make need only think back a few months, when Renmark Paringa's elected members voted to demolish the old Westpac building in Renmark rather than develop the site, as was favoured by some council staff.

If you have strong feelings on that decision either way, and others around your town, remember that you have a chance to truly engage with the political process and help elect candidates you probably know personally.



Centenarian Leslie Voigt (pictured in 2013): Les was born into a farming family at Robertstown in March 1922. Aged five, he daily walked three-and-a-half miles to school. Not liking shoes, he and siblings often would remove and hide them in a bush until on their way home. In 1941 Les enlisted in the Army. He was transport driver in Northern Territory but became a saxophonist in the Army Band. Discharged in 1946, Les married Muriel (Mickie) in December that year in St Paul's Church, Port Adelaide. They had met the train to Cheltenham after a dance at Blackwood. The couple had four children. Les was a truckie before in 1963, the family moved to Bellevue Heights during the children's school years at Blackwood. Les and Mickie then worked on the production line at Chrysler's, in St Mary's. In 1990, the couple moved to Loxton, enjoying community activities including Probus, lawn bowls, and latterly, Men's Shed, in between many caravan holidays. Mickie died in 2008. In 2013, sponsored by the Loxton Uniting Church, Les won Loxton's Mardi Gras Senior Ambassador title, discovering that even in his 90s, he could play an active role in the community. Les died on May 12, aged 100. PHOTO: Loxton Mardi Gras

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Enviro vandalism at Loxton Hospital

I WRITE to protest the appalling environmental vandalism at the Loxton Hospital Complex.

A grove of 10 mature gums behind the hospital, near the nurses quarters, was recently removed, as were two magnificent specimens on the lawns in front of the hospital.

These trees had diameters of up to 90cm, or three feet.

Leaf litter and danger from branches could have been minimised by a judicious lopping of suspect branches.

Shade has gone and bird habitats destroyed.

It was an outrageous act of goodness-knows-what cost to the hospital and SA Health's budget.

I know it's hard to find willing board members and Loxton's chairperson is able and hard working, but fair suck of the sauce bottle.

DAVID KIMBER
Loxton

Nationals did well, should think hard

WELL, one would assume Malcolm Turnbull, Christopher Pyne and Julie Bishop would be happy with Albo winning Saturday night.

It saves them the trouble of putting the knife further into Scott Morrison's back.

It was extremely poor strategy by the Liberal Party. Even a blind man could see they had Buckley's chance of winning the election and a second miracle was a wish too far to the right.

It's interesting how the National Party never lost one seat across the country. This indirectly confirms 'climate change' was not what the punters were about, when they were openly discussing the advantages of fossil fuels, especially with the Russian/Ukraine war, and its dire effect on European energy situation.

PM Morrison had several issues where he went against what the electorate thought were key conservative points.

The National Party needs to market itself independently from

the Coalition.

Or at least be similar to the eastern states' Teals, by not aligning themselves with any major party until after the results are called.

After all it doesn't appear an issue with the regulatory body, the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) that the Teals were in fact a unified party, targeting all Liberal-held seats.

IAN KENT
Renmark

For sovereignty sake

SO, the cost of living has people worried

Have you noticed how the card fees mount up? Pay in cash and you could get rounded up 2 cents. Pay with card and could get a card fee of 22 cents.

Bank fees mount up and small businesses have to recoup it somehow.

Our grandparents grew up being taught to 'look after the pennies (cents) and the pounds (dollars) will look after themselves'.

But they've already done away with cent coins. For people in financial stress cash is a budgeting tool.

But banks are pushing hard for a cashless society. They are fighting fiercely against an Australia Post bank. Banks have even cut payments to Australia Post for servicing banks' customers.

Major banks are large donors to major parties, so no major party seems prepared to consider legislating for a national postal bank for fear of losing banks' donations. So much for 'by the people for the people' democracy.

If only governments had the courage to take on vested interests and establish a national postal bank to take back some political independence and restore some sovereignty.

JEANETTE STAEHR
Barmera

'Missing' village sheep merely moved

I AM replying as per the report in The Murray Pioneer regarding the missing sheep from

the Loxton Historical Village ('Loxton Village sheep missing', 4/5/22).

I can assure you that they are not missing, but they have been moved to a retirement farm.

The confusion came about when one of the two people responsible for the sheep management didn't communicate with the other or the board.

A decision for looking after the sheep had to be made, believing that due to their temperament lately they were becoming a public health risk. Also due to some animal husbandry issues in the past, we believe better care can be given to them on their retirement farm.

We are sorry for the misunderstanding and the fact that we no longer have sheep at the Village, but our primary business is a museum, and with all the animal husbandry rules now believe the better decision has been made.

Who knows, maybe in the future, the sheep will return.

PAUL KAESLER
Chairman
Loxton Historical Village

My connection offer to local hospitals

I AM writing to thank the staff of Renmark Paringa Hospital for taking the time to invite me to come and do a presentation about Riverland Rainbow Connection Incorporated.

The staff members who attended where very interested and showed this by asking questions about what Riverland Rainbow Connection Incorporated did, where and when the group meet, and the number and age range of members.

They also asked about the type of activities that the members participates in, the cost of membership and members' monthly trips, where members go on those trips, and when the group breaks for Christmas.

Unfortunately Renmark Paringa Hospital was the only local hospital to respond to my letter, and I contacted all the local hospitals offering to come and do a presentation about Riverland Rainbow Connection

Incorporated. I am still willing to go to the other local hospitals and give a presentation.

My phone contact is 0499 328 244.

J. M. HUTCHISON
Co-ordinator
Riverland Rainbow Connection
Incorporated

Fruit fly making our harvest challenging

OVER recent weeks we have seen a number of new outbreaks of fruit fly in our community.

South Australia has a strong record of effectively managing fruit fly, but the complex nature of biosecurity threats means that from time-to-time outbreaks do occur. It has long been a priority of our state to contain and eradicate fruit fly outbreaks.

I would like to acknowledge the amazing work that PIRSA, key industry stakeholders and growers continue to do in response to these outbreaks.

PIRSA has implemented an eradication program that includes inspecting fruit trees, organically baiting, releasing sterile flies, and establishing suspension zones around detections.

Suspension zones impose restrictions on fruit movement, which can be an inconvenience and challenge for the community. However, restricting fruit movement is an effective and practical way we can prevent fruit fly from being unintentionally transported across neighbourhoods, regions or to an unaffected part of the state.

When you live in an outbreak zone it is important not to share or move any homegrown fruit or fruiting vegetables from your property.

All Riverlanders are encouraged to visit the PIRSA website at www.fruitfly.sa.gov.au and learn whether their residence is in an outbreak or suspension zone and the restrictions that may apply.

By containing fruit fly in outbreak and suspension zones, PIRSA can utilise specific tools such as releasing sterile flies to target wild flies in and around these areas. Sterile flies are a proven technology and an important tool in any government's

“It was an outrageous act at goodness-knows-what cost to the hospital and SA Health’s budget...”

- DAVID KIMBER



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fight against fruit fly as it interrupts the lifecycle of the wild flies.

While these programs are critical to eradicate the current outbreaks and protect our fruit-fly-free-status, it is also important that there is community co-operation when it comes to fighting this pest.

I want to thank everyone living in outbreak or suspension zones for following the fruit restrictions and stripping backyard trees of homegrown fruit and fruiting vegetables. These measures aim to remove the host material where fruit flies breed.

With the community’s co-operation, the number of breeding locations for fruit fly will be significantly reduced, enhancing the effectiveness of PIRSA’s baiting SIT programs.

Unfortunately, many Riverland growers who are currently in an outbreak or suspension zone face a challenging harvest.

To get their produce to market requires expensive treatment that is not typically required in the South Australian horticulture industry.

South Australian growers need our support now to overcome these fruit fly outbreaks.

Together, as a state and as a community, we can eradicate the fruit fly outbreaks and ensure that the Riverland and our growers continue to enjoy the premium market advantage of being a fruit-fly-free state for decades to come.

DR NICOLA CENTOFANTI
SA Liberals
Legislative Council Member
Berri

Happy to be lab rats?

PEOPLE pretend to be horrified about orphaned children and animals being used and abused in experiments.

But, here we are in 2022 and the very same people that protest about animal and human experimental abuses probably want to jab their own children with an experimental mRNA jab that has

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On Friday, while travelling through your area, we stopped to admire the painted water tower at Paringa. No sooner had I got out of the car with my small dog, on a leash, when a big dog came bounding down the embankment and attacked my dog. In fact it had her pinned down. I screamed and a couple came to my assistance as did the friend I am travelling with. My dog and myself were both traumatised by this episode and we put Molly back in the car out of harm’s way. She has teeth marks on her, but fortunately no skin was torn. Both my companion and the other couple approached the man who was chatting with the local workman and he said “not my problem”. Over the years I have stopped in Renmark many times but yesterday was the last time and will advise anyone I speak to avoid the town.

CHRISTINE
Bathurst

I had an appointment at a Riverland surgery yesterday. I have only had one Covid-19 vaccine.



God knows what in it.

Are you people for real?

ZARA BELLA
Loxton

SA continues its export success

SOUTH Australia’s exporters have continued to rise above the challenges presented to them by Covid-19, with exports reaching a record \$13.7 billion.

The latest ABS statistics for the 12 months to March 2022 show South Australian goods exported overseas were up 16 per cent when compared with the 12 months to March 2018 – the final month Labor were last in government.

It’s a testament to the support given to exporters by the former Liberal state government. We accelerated the growth of the South Australian economy by supporting exporters to grow

their businesses and create jobs.

The former Liberal government established a network of overseas trade offices across the globe – including in Tokyo, Seoul, New York and Dubai – providing support and assistance to exporters where they need it the most.

South Australian exporters have been incredibly resilient through some very challenging times and these record figures show the former Liberal government’s focus on exports in key growth sectors has allowed many to not only survive but thrive.

Our great desire is to see this trend continue, but the Malinauskas Labor Government can’t simply ride on our coat-tails.

South Australia is home to some of the country’s best producers, manufacturers and businesses but Labor didn’t take any trade and export policies to the

election.

We are calling on Peter Malinauskas to commit to continuing to operate and expand trade offices to allow South Australian businesses to export more products and services around the world.

Some sectors are doing it tougher than others. Our wine industry is still being impacted by the high deposit tariffs on Australian wine imported to China.

Peter Malinauskas said he has “turned his mind” to what the government can do to support this industry. Now is not the time to just think, but to act.

Peter Malinauskas needs to come up with a plan to continue to grow South Australian exports.

HEIDI GIROLAMO
SA Liberal spokesperson for trade and investment

Houseboats was the contact person for Travel Guides who helped co-ordinate their weekend here. This helped put Renmark on the map. The write up failed to mention her business or her name.

C & L
Renmark

After reading *The Murray Pioneer’s* sports section last week, once again the Riverland Football League seems to be using some obscure method of calculating the premiership table percentages for each team. Comparing results with both AFL & SANFL tables the percentages recorded by the RFL are grossly overstated. Why?

BARRY
Barmera

Of course I opened my *Pioneer* this morning to a wonderful positive headline about a new development in Renmark after two weeks of negative headlines about Berri. The people involved usually don’t bother us when going about our business in the Berri town centre. They also deserve our concern and support, not

negative newspaper headlines. The positive things happening in Berri are in the middle of the paper. Congratulations to all of our wonderful volunteers who continue to support our local community.

DI
Berri

So we have Tony Pasin saying he wants bigger trucks and bigger roads, whereas John Hill from the Transport Action Group (*Murray Pioneer*, 18/5/22) states that passenger and freight rail are far more environmentally friendly, safer and cost-effective than alternatives. Tony needs to get out there and compete with these monsters, then he might change his mind.

GARY
Waikerie

ABC Riverland twice reporting a “swing” to One Nation in Barker. One Nation didn’t run a Barker candidate last election, so its 6 per cent vote was no swing.

ROB
Berri

Looking back...

10 years ago May 25, 2012



CYCLIST’S DEATH NOT SUSPICIOUS: Police have confirmed the death of a 57-year-old Barmera cyclist, whose body was found on the side of the road on Wednesday night, is not suspicious. The man was found with his bike and wearing a helmet next to Nookamka Terrace, Barmera, at about 8.30pm. He had minor facial injuries and a SAPOL spokesperson said that at “this early stage there is no evidence of a crash involving another vehicle”.

20 years ago May 24, 2002



ALL GONE... FIRE FORCES FAMILY TO START FROM SCRATCH: Mother-of-two Leanne McKay lost almost everything when her home was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night. The Barmera Woman’s three-bedroom Thiele Rd house was gutted by the blaze, which started in the ceiling due to a faulty chimney flue just before 6pm. Three Barmera Country Fire Service units arrived at the fire within five minutes of being called but the blaze was already well involved. It took a massive effort to extinguish the blaze, involving 30 firefighters using breathing apparatus and 30,000 litres of water.

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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Valuation rise to hit Berri Barmera residents' 2022-23 rates...

Balancing act at BBC

JOSH BRINE

A LOCAL council expects to collect an extra \$800,000 in general rates due to valuation rises in the next financial year – and collect up to 12 per cent more from individual ratepayers – despite proposing to keep its rate in the dollar the same.

Residential property valuations across the Berri Barmera Council district have risen more than 11 per cent in the past year, resulting in an expected 9.4 per cent jump in general rate revenue compared to 2021-22, according to council's draft budget.

In the budget, presented at last night's ordinary meeting, council proposed a rate-capping system to ensure property owners pay no more than 12 per cent more on rates in 2022-23 compared to the previous financial year.

Properties that have changed ownership since January 2020, increased in capital value due to improvements worth more than \$10,000, or changed land use are ineligible for rate capping.

An owner with a residential property worth \$200,000 in 2021-22 could pay as much as \$150 extra for rates in the 2022-23 financial year if their valuation has increased by 12 per cent or more.

Berri Barmera Council CEO Dylan Strong, who took over the role prior to council's final budget meeting, said the proposed rate modelling was the "most balanced approach", with council wary of "over-manipulating" through capping.

Residential property capital value	General Rates	CWMS Service Charge	Waste Service Charge (3 bin)	Landscape levy	Proposed Total 2022/2023	Total 2021/2022	Proposed Increase p.a.
\$100,000	\$655.00 *	\$779	\$240	\$20.80	\$1,694.80	\$1,671.80	\$23.00
\$200,000	\$1,274.40	\$779	\$240	\$41.60	\$2,335.00	\$2,314.00	\$21.00
\$300,000	\$1,911.60	\$779	\$240	\$62.40	\$2,993.00	\$2,974.00	\$19.00
\$400,000	\$2,548.80	\$779	\$240	\$83.20	\$3,651.00	\$3,634.00	\$17.00
\$500,000	\$3,186.00	\$779	\$240	\$104.00	\$4,309.00	\$4,294.00	\$15.00

●Berri Barmera Council's proposed residential rate and service charges for 2022-23. The proposed increased per annum does not take into consideration property valuation rises.

"Council has taken a very responsible approach to rate raising in previous years and leading in to this one," he said.

"This is the third consecutive year council has elected for a zero increase (in the rate in the dollar)..."

"At the end of the day, council doesn't control the increase in capital values."

Mr Strong said council was "not immune" to inflation and the increased costs of general services and project delivery.

"As an example, our input costs into infrastructure at the moment are in some cases 30 or 40 per cent more than pre-pandemic levels," he said.

"It's just the reality of the current operating environment."

"While council needs to accommodate those costs and pressures, I think the approach from council again this year is to balance that with avoiding an unnecessary burden on people's hip pockets."

Council has also proposed increasing the remission for ratepayers on fixed incomes such as pensioners and self-funded retirees, from \$20 to \$50 per year for general rates.

Waste service charges have increased 2.5 per cent to \$240 for three bins and \$203 for two bins, while the Community Wastewater Management Service charge will also

increase 2.5 per cent to \$779.

The rate in the dollar for industrial properties will drop about 1.6 per cent to match the rate in the dollar for commercial properties.

Council has also allocated funds to undertake a range of projects including \$200,000 to plan the relocation of the Berri Library, \$500,000 for streetscaping in Berri, and a \$1.2m grant-funded upgrade of changerooms and lighting at Barmera Oval.

The Barmera Oval upgrades, along with nine other projects, have been carried over from the 2021-22 financial year.

Mr Strong said he was "confident" council could deliver its project list, despite contractor and material shortages.

"I think the opportunity with me coming as new CEO and having a different perspective on things has allowed us to take stock of where we are at with projects that are behind where we'd ideally like to be when it comes to delivery," he said.

"We've been able to put a line through or put on hold a number of projects that we were not confident we were going to have the capacity to deliver, and that in turn gives us the ability to tackle what's proposed and deliver it confidently."

Council is currently projecting an overall operating surplus of \$270,904.



by Loxton Garden Club

The Loxton Garden Club hold monthly meetings on the 4th Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be held at The Loxton Club – Woolshed Room at 2pm.

For further information contact Jacque Schulz 0402 158 759 or Ian Cass 0428 876 220. Email: loxtongardenclub@gmail.com

Meeting held on 22nd May 2022 the club held the AGM.

Incoming committee

- Ian Cass – President
- Liz Dymmott – Vice President
- Jacque Schulz – Secretary
- Janine McAllister – Vice Secretary
- Jessica Griffin – Treasurer
- Judi Duffield – Vice Treasurer
- Glenda Cass – Publicity Officer
- Erika Davey – Public Officer

Lizards and their benefits in our gardens.

Since lizards are vulnerable to pollutants, their mere existence in the garden indicates low levels of pesticides and heavy metals. This ensures food grown in the garden will also have low levels of these particles.

For lizards to take up residency in the backyard, they need an adequate habitat. Creating the right environment is essential for making lizard-friendly gardens. Begin by learning which species of lizards are native in your area. Find out where they lay their eggs, what they eat, and which environmental elements they prefer. The following tips will help gardeners make a safe haven in their garden for lizards:

Avoid using chemical pesticides. Avoid using weed killer, especially on the lawn. Spot treat weed problems rather than using widespread application of weed killer in the yard. Mulch the garden, if not only deters weeds, but also conserves moisture and creates a humid environment for lizards. Give lizards plenty of hiding places. Lizards are low on the food chain, providing protection from their natural predators ensures their continued existence. Plant bushy perennials, create a rock or brush pile, or use man-made items like stacks of bricks or pipes. Include areas for lizards to sun themselves, like large rocks, concrete blocks, or a stone wall absorbs and retains daytime heat for those cool, late summer nights. Provide water, creating a pond, water feature, or even by using a small bowl, include rocks or sticks as a ramp for lizards to access the water.

Quote of the month

'Keep love in your heart. A life without it is like a sunless garden when the flowers are dead.'

- unknown

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WALKING SAFELY TO SCHOOL: More than 100 students from Loxton Primary School laced up their shoes and hit the pavement last Friday for National Walk Safely to School Day. Students met at Loxton Oval on Friday morning and made their way to the school, accompanied by four local police cars. Now in its 23rd year, National Walk Safely to School Day highlights the importance of road safety and regular exercise, in conjunction with National Road Safety Week (May 15 to 22). PHOTOS: supplied



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Mildura tourism expert to lead Riverland body

A NEW general manager to lead the Riverland's newly rebranded peak tourism body started working in the region this week after several years in regional development in Mildura.

Destination Riverland (DR) appointed Pamela Canavan as its new general manager, with outgoing GM Ben Patten due to finish on June 3.

Ms Canavan worked for the past seven and a half years at Mildura Regional Development in various

roles including social and digital communications officer, tourism and economic development project officer, and industry and marketing support officer.

"I'm honoured and excited to be appointed as general manager," she said.

"The Riverland is a special place and I'm looking forward to fulfilling an important role in tourism in my new home."

DR chair Brenton Pankhurst welcomed Ms Canavan to the region.

"We look forward to her continuing the strong, collaborative performance that DR and our stakeholders have achieved over the past two years," Mr Pankhurst said.

Ms Canavan was employed on a full-time basis and will work in DR's Berri office with tourism coordinator Kate Gillespie.

Mr Patten announced his resignation from DR in April, after accepting an offer to become Barossa Australia's head of destination.



Pamela Canavan has commenced as Destination Riverland general manager after seven and a half years working for Mildura Regional Development in various roles related to the visitor economy. PHOTO: supplied

Dog days as council's aerodrome ban revisited

ALEXANDRA BULL

A RECENT council ruling that saw dogs banned from Loxton and Waikerie aerodromes is set to face public consultation to potentially reverse the decision.

After a complaint was received in April about dogs at the Waikerie aerodrome, Loxton Waikerie council recently declared – without public consultation – that Loxton and Waikerie aerodromes would be dog-prohibited areas.

The decision has received

backlash from several parties, prompting a formal public consultation.

At last Friday's Loxton Waikerie council meeting, a number of councillors admitted they should have undertaken further consultation with a wider group of people.

Councillor Deb Thiele said she acknowledged she should have spoken to more people.

"We need to have a few more discussions about it with a wider group of people than what is represented in here," she said.

Councillor Trevor Norton

agreed with Cr Thiele, saying he was apologetic about not considering more consultation.

"However, I was working on a theory that I did not want anything running around and I still hold that view," he said.

"I think with the extra information and a consultation it might be still that anything air-side should be on a leash and controlled."

Council's manager of environmental services Cheryle Pedler said council had two options.

"It is recommended that council should acknowledge the original report and that both aerodromes remain dog-prohibited areas," she said.

"However, it is also recommended that council acknowledges the report, revokes the original decision and undertakes public consultation on the proposal to declare the Loxton and Waikerie aerodromes as dog-prohibited areas or dog-on-leash areas."

Council is yet to indicate when it will begin public consultation.



This map of the Waikerie aerodrome shows where dogs are prohibited due to a recent council decision. PHOTO: supplied

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Plea to road users ahead of Fatality Free Friday

RIVERLAND drivers are being urged to focus on road safety to drive down road deaths, after new research indicated an alarming level of ignorance and arrogance towards road safety.

According to the Australian Road Safety Foundation (ARSF), 100 per cent of South Australians claim to be safe road users, but 68 per cent are breaking road laws.

ARSF said "the juxtaposition highlights an urgent need for a renewed focus on road safety across the state".

ARSF issued a plea to road users last week, as it released the South Australian research from its annual Fatality Free Friday initiative.

A total of 99 people were killed on South Australian roads last year.

According to the research, the top two reasons for South Australians breaking road rules were losing focus on the road (50 per cent) and believing it was safe to do so (23 per cent).

ARSF founder and CEO, Russell White, said the research had raised a number of red flags.

"Just over half of South Australians say they have taken a risk on the road, and yet we have a significantly higher portion who are breaking laws – laws that have been put in place for safety," Mr White said.

"This is not just about you as an individual, but all the people around you whose lives you put in jeopardy every time you fail to focus on road safety.

"We cannot afford to be complacent when the price is somebody's life."

Fatality Free Friday will be held this Friday, May 27 and operates on the belief that if South Australia can go one day without a death on the road, ARSF can demonstrate the impact a focus on road safety can have each and every day of the year.



Laneways 'accident waiting to happen'

Waikerie man, Richard Huhn, 90, travelling along what he considers to be a dangerous laneway between Edwards Crescent and Coombe Terrace. INSET: The entrance into the footpath on McCoy Street from Francis Street in Waikerie where an elderly man nearly flipped his gopher last month. PHOTOS: Christine Webster

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A FOOTPATH connectivity plan for both Waikerie and Loxton will be developed by Loxton Waikerie council, amid calls by a 90-year-old Waikerie man for immediate action.

Richard Huhn has written to council complaining about two laneways between Edwards Crescent and West Road (Coombe Terrace), and Edwards Crescent and Mary Starr Drive.

Mr Huhn said it was the third time in two years he had approached council about the two "unsafe" laneways. He considers the two pathways so unsafe that he uses his car instead of his gopher to travel to the shops.

"It is too dangerous and uneven," he said.

"I don't want to fall over."

Mr Huhn said the laneway leading to West Road, which turns into Coombe Terrace opposite the Waikerie Primary School, is too narrow to allow both an elderly person on a gopher and a pedestrian to use it at the same time.

Families with young children live in the area around Edwards Crescent and Mary Starr Drive and often use the laneway leading to Coombe Terrace to walk to school and the shops.

"Does somebody have to have an accident before anything gets done?" Mr Huhn asked in his letter to Loxton Waikerie council CEO David Beaton.

At the side of the laneway from Edwards Crescent to West Road/Coombe Terrace is a steep descent.

Mr Huhn said both laneways should be paved to make them safer for elderly people on gophers and pedestrians.

He said the council needed to ensure other parts of Waikerie were maintained, beyond the river front.

"They pave everywhere in Waikerie where you can see," Mr Huhn said, "but where you can't see they ignore it."

The council's director of infrastructure services Greg Perry said the footpath connectivity plans for Waikerie and Loxton would examine safety issues.

"The plan will identify the high-use areas that people frequent and the footpaths they used to get there," he said

"These areas will include places such as the main street and the adjacent businesses, hospital, medical centres, and schools."

Waikerie-based advocate for older Australians Brent Bennett said most of the footpaths leading to facilities such as the bowling club, medical centre, Warrawee Lodge retirement village, and the CBD were substandard.



Mr Huhn wants the two laneways from Edwards Crescent paved, including this one leading to Mary Starr Drive.

He said many of the footpaths were unsuitable for gophers.

"As soon as you have an uneven surface people driving gophers are at high risk of tipping over," he said.

"They need to create better footpaths, which are paved."

He said last month he witnessed an elderly man almost tip his gopher backwards when entering the McCoy Street footpath after crossing Francis Street adjacent to Foodland.

"As he went up into the little cut through into the footpath, his gopher tipped backwards about 20 degrees," he said

"I honestly thought he was going to tip over."

"It was quite a dangerous situation."

Mr Perry said the footpath connectivity plan would consider the current condition of footpaths and whether they meet the town's needs.

"It will also determine the estimated costs to upgrade the footpaths and how the works might be implemented," he said.

"This type of strategic planning will better inform future budgeting and allow proposed works to be undertaken in a way that may finish an area before moving on to another."

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Waikerie's Covid-19 wave

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE Riverland West area appears to be experiencing a Covid-19 wave.

In recent days a significant number of cases has been reported among local school children and their parents, Waikerie Hotel staff, and the Cadell Training Centre.

Senior doctor at the Waikerie Medical Centre, Dr Ian Gartley, said while he was without access to official data, it was evident the virus had become prevalent in the area.

He said a large private social function at Waikerie earlier this month resulted in "quite a lot of Covid positive cases".

Dr Gartley said he was also aware of Waikerie netball teams finding it hard to source players because of Covid-19 absentees.

He said over the past few weeks the level of Covid-19 cases appeared to be "fairly constant".

"I do not have access to official numbers because a lot of people are doing it by self-reporting RAT tests or they are going to the Waikerie Hospital or to Berri to get a PCR done," he said.

"We don't get the results of those (however), my impression is that certainly there is a significant level of cases in Waikerie.

"Everyone seems to know at least someone who has got it or had it recently."

Dr Gartley said he was aware of a number of Waikerie parents who had contracted Covid-



Waikerie GP Dr Ian Gartley says the Covid-19 pandemic is far from over. PHOTO: Christine Webster

19 because their children had brought it home from school.

However, he said he was uncertain about the number of cases among school students at Waikerie.

"We have to remember the proportion of five-to-11-year-olds who have been immunised is nowhere near the level of immunisation as their parents," he said.

"There is still a significant pool of unimmunised children who go to school."

Dr Gartley said people who thought the Covid-19 pandemic

was over were mistaken. He said even though the SA government had eased Covid-19 restrictions and mask wearing requirements, people should still consider taking precautions.

"Cautious people would still be wearing masks, practising social distancing and practising good hand hygiene," Dr Gartley said.

"It is certainly far from over."

SA is consistently recording over 3000 new Covid-19 cases daily.

Meanwhile, the Cadell

Training Centre has confirmed last Friday that 18 of its inmates were Covid positive.

A Department for Correctional Services spokesperson said the first case, detected on May 6, had since recovered.

"The management of prisoners is supported by the SA Prison Health Service at each prison and the Communicable Diseases Control Branch," she said.

"This reflects a level of community equivalence with operations largely continuing as usual."

Hotel's Covid spike forces staff reshuffle

COVID-19 has caused a staff shortage at the Waikerie Hotel, with 10 of 38 staff so far testing positive this month.

Waikerie Hotel Motel manager Andrew Tyson said the biggest problem was when three out of five chefs simultaneously contracted the virus earlier this month.

He said the two chefs who dodged Covid-19 worked a six-to-seven-day week to ensure the dining room remained open.

"We were running two sittings to limit the pressure on the kitchen," he said. "We were able to stay open throughout that time by utilising everybody from other departments helping out in the kitchen with the two chefs cooking."

Mr Tyson said the first cases began at the start of the month in the food and bar area. He said multitasking by staff has enabled the hotel to stay open.

"It has just been a continual shuffling of rosters, shuffling of departments and making things work," Mr Tyson said.

"We haven't had to limit any of our opening or closing times or close down any of our departments. We have struggled through and the staff have been very stoic and fantastic through this period to jump in and help a community hotel."

Mr Tyson said the influx of Covid-19 amongst his staff and Waikerie was inevitable.

Mr Tyson has encouraged his staff to get vaccinated against Covid-19 and to also get immunised against the flu.

Staff at the Waikerie Hotel Motel are also provided with rapid antigen tests.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER

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Cheers to our volunteers

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

THE important role of volunteers throughout the local community was highlighted by a Riverland council last week.

Renmark Paringa Council held a ceremony at the Renmark Club to recognise the district's volunteers, as part of National Volunteer Week.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson said volunteers were integral to the operation many local commu-

R Renmark Paringa Council

nity groups and organisations. "It's very important that council recognises volunteers," Mr Martinson said.

"Although we only had a small number of certificates presented, there's hundreds more within our community that volunteer for various organisations, be it sporting clubs or service clubs.

"It's really fantastic just to recognise those people who

do a lot of work around the town."

Mr Martinson said council would continue to hold the volunteer awards ceremony in future years.

"We've been recognising our own volunteers... however, it's important to get everyone involved," he said.

"This was the start of trying to get clubs to nominate someone specifically.

"We feel it's important to recognise all volunteers within our community."



Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson (back, second from right) presented certificates of appreciation to local volunteers. Pictured are back (from left): Karen 'Kazza' Frahn, Tony 'Charge' Richards, Allan Langley, Rob Knight and Mark Hazlewood. Front: Sandra Daniel, Sue Jenke, Lesley Baldock, Craig Poulton, Denise Bihun, and Beryl Jungfer. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker



Ken Karpany pictured in *The Murray Pioneer* after the Berri Football Club's epic 2002 RFL grand final victory over Waikerie.

Club mourns, but remembers grand final heroics

TWO unforgettable chapters in the Berri Football Club's modern history have been relived in recent weeks, as the club mourns the death of one of its favourite sons and arguably the most successful Riverland indigenous athlete of his generation.

The death of Ken Karpany Sr late last month shocked and saddened the region's sporting community.

Karpany was an outstanding sportsman who excelled in football, but was also a supremely talented cricketer and later ten-pin bowler, among other sporting pursuits.

He will go down in Berri Football Club folklore as something of a legend, after playing key roles in the club's memorable premierships of 1992 and 2002.

As a youngster, Karpany lit up Waikerie Oval in the 1992 grand final against the Magpies with a blistering six-bounce run from deep in defence midway through the last quarter.

Karpany finished off his game-breaking



Ken Karpany in action for Berri against Loxton.

dash with a neat pass to Whillas Medallist Robbie Kent, who in turn found teammate Jon Simpson and resulted in the Demons kicking the sealer. Karpany's solo effort sat perfectly alongside his four crucial goals in what was an epic grand final, highlighted in part by Berri coach Brian Leckie successfully recalling injured star Allan Brand for his first and only game of the season.

Karpany was named third best in Berri's 20-point grand final win. He finished equal sixth in the Whillas Medal that year, and made his first Murray Pioneer Team of the Year.

Ten years later Karpany and Robert Price were the sole remaining Berri players from the 1992 flag to line up for the Demons in the 2002 grand final, also against Waikerie.

It was an equally epic decider, with Berri - playing at home - falling 44 points behind the Magpies in the second quarter.

Karpany copped a heavy knock in the third quarter, was carried from the ground and expected to take no further part in the game. Remarkably, he returned to the field in the final term to kick two goals and help Berri - under the guidance of coach Tim Jackson - seal an incredible 22-point victory.

Like 1992, Karpany kicked four goals in the grand final, with teammate Luke Taylor best on ground.

Club stalwart and former president Bob Warland said Karpany left an indelible mark on the Demons.

"(He was) blessed with lightning pace and outstanding skills," Mr Warland said.

"Who can forget a young Kenny's scintillating run down the wing with multiple bounces in the '92 grand final, a pass off and goal.

"Or the 2002 grand final when he was knocked into the boundary fence and went off injured, to return and kick crucial goals to seal the game for the Dees...

"Kenny was, sadly, keen to return for the reunions in July this year. He left us too young."

All up, Karpany played 146 A grade games for Berri in two stints with the club (1991-1995 and 1997-2004), kicking 276 goals. He also played seven B grade games to tip him over the 150 mark, and played at several other local clubs, including a successful stint with Lyrup.

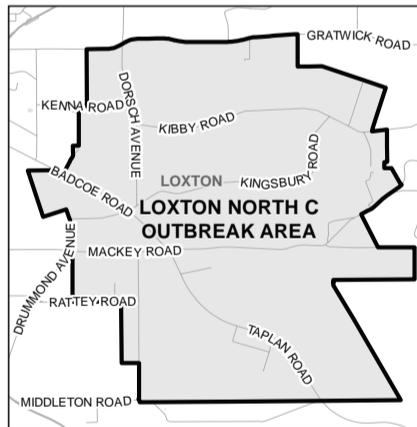
In addition to his feats on the football field, Karpany was a star cricketer, who remains the only player outside of the A grade competition to be named Riverland Cricketer of the Year.

He achieved the feat while playing for Gerard's B grade team, when the award winner was calculated on results (runs, wickets, catches) from both senior grades. A slippery opening bowler and big-hitting batsman, Karpany won the award despite B grade performances being weighted significantly less than A grade performances.

In addition, when Bowland was operating in Berri around a decade ago, Karpany quickly established himself as one of the best ten-pin bowlers in the region.

- PAUL MITCHELL

FRUIT FLY OUTBREAKS LOXTON NORTH



Queensland fruit fly has been found at Loxton North.

The detections constitute two new fruit fly outbreaks, called Loxton North B and Loxton North C.

These outbreaks are separate to the existing Loxton North fruit fly outbreak, now called Loxton North A.

1.5 km radius outbreak areas have been established at Loxton North B and Loxton North C.

These will apply until at least 20 December 2022, if there are no further detections.

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

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

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

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

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

What you need to do:

- **Keep** fruit on your property - do not share, sell or give it away.
- **Give** us access to your garden so we can do our work quickly and efficiently.
- **Pick** your ripe fruit and vegetables.
- **Collect** fallen fruit, seal it in a plastic bag and call the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 to arrange collection.
- **Check** your fruit for blemishes and maggots.
- **Call** the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 if you find a maggot. Seal the fruit in a bag.



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"(He was) blessed with lightning pace and outstanding skills..."

- Bob Warland, former Berri Football Club president



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● Josh Pyke

Read a book with the nation

RIVERLAND families are invited to join the National Simultaneous Storytime event being held this morning.

The national live reading event, held at the National Library of Australia in Canberra, will be livestreamed via the Scholastic Facebook page at 10.20am ACST.

Award-winning Australian singer-songwriter and children's book author Josh Pyke, with illustrator Ronojoy Ghosh, will read Family Tree – a story about family, belonging, community and love.

The book was written by Josh and illustrated by Ronojoy, and published by Scholastic specifically for this year's National Simultaneous Storytime.

The event, held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA), aims to connect 1 million readers to a picture book written and illustrated by an Australian.

Local couple Sam Atkins and Abbey Richards last month competed in the ICN Adelaide 2022 bodybuilding event, and earlier this month at another competition in Brisbane. PHOTOS: supplied

Abbey and Sam feel the power

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

TWO locals tasted success at a recent bodybuilding event despite it being their first time at competition level.

Riverland couple Abbey Richards, 26, and Sam Atkins, 28, last month entered an I Compete Natural (ICN) bodybuilding event in Adelaide, followed by an event in Brisbane earlier this month.

Ms Richards – who placed third in the Ms Fitness Model First-timer and Ms Sports Model Open classes, and fourth in Ms Fitness Model Open – said the couple had motivated each other to participate.

“Sam had wanted to do it for a while and had spoken about it a few times, but I had never really wanted to compete myself,” Ms Richards said.

“One day I said he should give it a go... and he asked me to do it with him.

“We did the first two weeks by ourselves, with

the help of my boss who’s a nutrition coach, then I found myself a coach.

“There’s so much to it. Having that person to keep you accountable, and someone who’s been in the industry competing in bodybuilding, was definitely an upper-hand.”

Mr Atkins came first in the Men’s Physique First-timer and Men’s Physique Open classes, and second in the Men’s Physique Novice class.

However, Ms Richards said a 19-hour journey had negative effects on their performance in the ICN Brisbane competition.

“The Brisbane event was crazy compared to Adelaide,” she said.

“Not only the number of competitors, but the arena where it was held was huge... that was really cool.

“Unfortunately from the travel we were both a little bit ‘fluffier’ than we were in Adelaide. We assume it was

excess water retention from the travel.

“(But) it was awesome. It was so upbeat, with so much energy, and there was never a moment where nothing was happening.”

Ms Richards said nutrition and prioritising training had been key to the pair’s preparations.

“You have to stick to your diet 100 per cent,” she said.

“There’s no going off track where you can have a sneaky treat... it was to the dot every single day.

“We’re both very social people, but when you’re doing something that takes that much energy, physically and mentally, you’ve got to learn to say no.

“Time management was important to fitting everything in.”

Ms Richards – who currently manages the Riverland Fitness Centre – expected herself and Mr Atkins would continue competitive bodybuilding.

“We were only thinking about doing it the once, but I think we will both compete again now,” she said.

“I’ve already had a lot of interested people wanting to

be coached, but it’s definitely not for the faint-hearted.

“The mental battle that comes with it is huge. Being ready for that is important as well.”

At the Centenary of Girl Guides in Waikerie exhibition last week were former Girl Guides state commissioner Jan Forrest OAM (left), former Girl Guides regional and district commissioner for the Riverland Margaret Potts, 90, former Girl Guides regional and district commissioner for the Riverland Gwen Webber, and Waikerie Queen's Guide and Waikerie District Historical Society chairperson Julie Webber. PHOTOS: Paul McCormick



Tradition of Girl Guides on display

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

AN exhibition celebrating the centenary of Waikerie's Girl Guide movement has attracted more than 300 visitors to the Waikerie Institute.

Girl Guides began in Waikerie in 1920 and ended in the 1990s.

Waikerie District Historical Society chairperson Julie Webber, who coordinated the display, said most of those who attended were from outside the town. "We had a lot of visitors who were in the district at the time and people who specifically came for the exhibition," she said.

The display, which began on Mother's Day (May 8) and concluded on Sunday, was part of the South Australian History Festival.

Ms Webber said it was a popular outing for mothers



A tent and camping display were featured at the Waikerie Girl Guides Centenary exhibition at Waikerie, which ran from May 8 until last Sunday.

and daughters who were involved with Girl Guides at Waikerie.

"(Mother's Day) was one of our busiest days," she said.

"I thought it might be with daughters coming home to Waikerie for Mother's Day and having the opportunity to have a look."

Ms Webber said among those who attended were former Waikerie Girl Guides and Brownies, and their parents.

She said a group of 24 Berri and Barmera Girl Guides with their leaders and parents also visited last week.

Ms Webber said former Girl Guide leaders and friends also held their monthly social luncheon at Waikerie last Tuesday to coincide with the exhibition.

She said from 1959 to 1977, 45 Girl Guides from Waikerie received the Queen's Guide Award, which recognised their achievements in developing skills in leadership, communication, craft, and camping.

Ms Webber said being a Girl Guide was a family tradition for some local families, with groups of sisters often joining together.

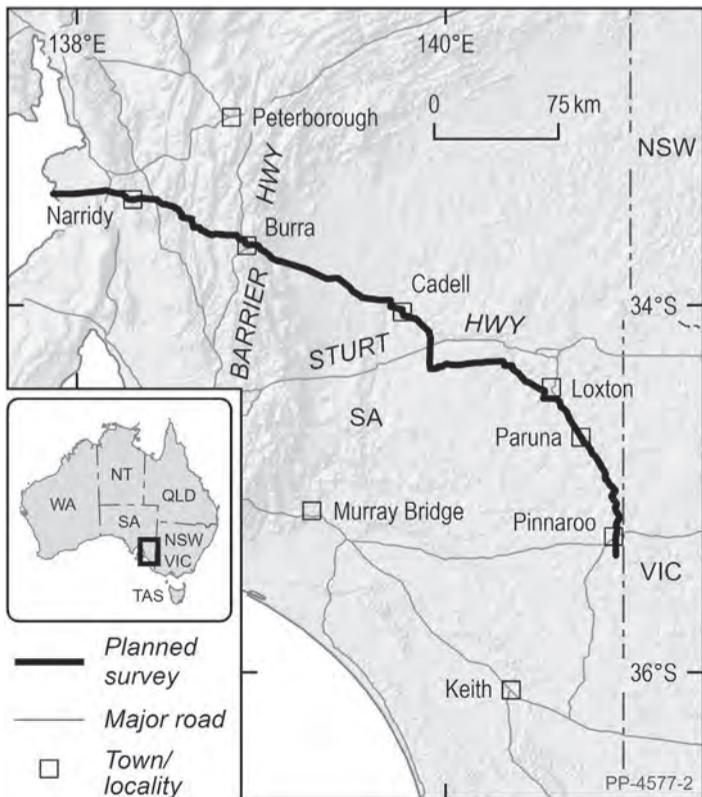


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REFLECTION SEISMIC SURVEY

Geoscience Australia, in collaboration with state agencies, is conducting a reflection seismic survey in South Australia as part of the Exploring for the Future program. The survey will pass through areas near Crystal Brook, Burra, Loxton, and Pinnaroo.

The survey will be carried out along public roads from May to July 2022. This will involve a number of heavy and light vehicles working within the road corridor. No lasting ground disturbance or damage to infrastructure will occur.



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Riverland graduates (finally) honoured at Government House

THE academic achievements of five Riverland students were recognised at Government House last week.

Three Loxton High School and two Renmark High School graduates received subject merits at the SACE Merit Ceremony, held last Thursday and Friday.

Subject merits are awarded to students who achieve an overall subject grade of A+ and demonstrate "exceptional achievement".

Riverland students honoured with subject merits were:

- ☐ Amelia Magiarapis (Loxton High School) – Research Project B
- ☐ Hayley Inglis (Loxton High School) – Mathematical Methods
- ☐ Lily Gunn (Loxton High School) – Food and Hospitality
- ☐ Charlee Webb (Renmark High School) – Psychology
- ☐ Madelyn Long (Renmark High School) – Creative Arts

SACE Board interim chief executive Michaela Bensley congratulated the high-achieving students from the class of 2021.

"We are delighted to be celebrating this special event with SACE merit recipients and their families," Ms Bensley said.

"These students remained dedicated to their studies regardless of the challenges they faced. They remained resilient and flexible and continued their learning.

"They received guidance from their teachers and were supported by their families, which helped them to reach the pinnacle of academic success.

"With the completion of their SACE, graduates have a world class qualification that opens up opportunities for future success."

Premier Peter Malinauskas, South Australian Governor Frances Adamson and Minister for Education, Training and Skills Blair Boyer were all in attendance to present certificates.

More than 1000 students from across the state were recognised, with a collective achievement of 1282 subject merits.



Loxton High School's Lily Gunn. PHOTOS: Facebook



Loxton High School's Amelia Magiarapis.



Loxton High School's Hayley Inglis.



Renmark High School's Charlee Webb. PHOTOS: supplied



Renmark High School's Madelyn Long.



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Pasin doubles down on extra 450GL warning

RE-ELECTED Barker MP Tony Pasin has doubled-down on his crusade against water buybacks following last weekend's Federal Election.

Prior to the election Mr Pasin was something of a lone voice among the Liberal Party in insisting that an extra 450GL of environmental flow allocated for South Australia should not be delivered at the expense of primary producers.

His viewpoint contrasts that of Labor and the Greens, and the public stances made by most of his party colleagues.

However, Mr Pasin predicted the election of an Anthony Albanese-led Labor government could spell trouble for Riverland irrigators.

"I'm worried very much about the potential for buybacks," he said.

"I made it very plain during the campaign that this question is real and I think it's a real concern for



Local growers, mayor, react to federal Labor's water policy... (Buy) Back-off

people living in the Riverland, that the interests of metropolitan South Australians will be placed above those who live inside the Basin and in our river communities.

"But from my perspective I can assure them that I'm reasonably adept at banging the table on behalf of communities all through my electorate, including the Riverland.

"I wasn't always popular with my Liberal ministerial colleagues, because I was demanding outcomes. Nothing will change. I'll continue to demand outcomes, it's just that that different people occupy those ministerial offices now."

- PAUL MITCHELL



I think it's a real concern for people living in the Riverland...

- Barker MP Tony Pasin

Albo urged to appoint water minister from SA

MAKING a South Aussie the nation's next water minister would protect the River Murray, a Greens senator says.

SA Greens' Sarah Hanson-Young has called on the new Albanese Government to appoint a water minister from South Australia in Labor's new cabinet.

"I have a new found hope for our Murray River now that the National Party's reign over the water portfolio is finally over," Ms Hanson-Young said.

"But while Barnaby Joyce and the Nats are no longer in charge, the water wars between the Basin states are set to continue.

"I urge Prime Minister Albanese to appoint a South Australian water minister which will be the biggest signal Labor can send that they won't let the upstream states rule the river's roost any longer.

"A South Australian water minister will be our best chance of ensuring the best interests of the Murray are represented, not those of upstream corporate irrigators."

Ms Hanson-Young said the Greens would use their position in balance of power in the Senate to fight for the delivery of the additional 450GL of environmental flow "promised to South Australia" in the Murray-Darling Basin Plan.



Murray-Darling Basin Authority director riparian and environmental assets, Natalie Dando, with DEW major projects engagements and communications officer, Ellee Eleftheriadis, at the SARFIIP 10-year celebration event in Berri last weekend. INSET: One of the feature displays. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Local celebration of enviro success

A DECADE-long initiative that funded the construction of environmental infrastructure at Riverland sites has ended.

The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) on Saturday held a function at the Berri Rowing Club to celebrate the completion of the South Australian Riverland Floodplains Integrated Infrastructure Program (SARFIIP).

DEW spokesperson Dr Glen Shimmin said the program - which ran for 10 years - was aimed at restoring the health Riverland floodplain areas that had "rapidly declined" due to the Millennium Drought.

"Species such as frogs, turtles, and birdlife have really been thriving since regular environmental watering has taken place at the floodplains via the SARFIIP infrastructure," Dr Shimmin said.

"The frequent environmen-

tal watering is bringing the floodplains back to life.

"Throughout the landscape the smaller understorey vegetation and other plants, such as lignum, have responded extremely well to the watering, with many turning bright green and with new growth developing.

"(Last) weekend's celebration (was) about acknowledging the support of the community and to thank those staff and contractors involved in delivering the SARFIIP program over the past 10 years.

"(It was) a great day for those responsible for delivering the works to come together and celebrate the success of the program and the benefits it's brought to the Riverland, both environmentally and economically."

A video documenting the results of the program can be viewed by visiting YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHSVof9fMWI>).

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Talking 'bout five generations



Joseph and Jean Bell have five living generations of family all over Australia, but the couple – who have been married for 63 years – call Renmark home. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

ALEXANDRA BULL

FEW people can say they are part of a family with five living generations, but being part of a big brood is the norm for Renmark couple Jean and Joseph Bell.

In addition to nine kids, Jean and Joseph also have 35 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

Jean, who celebrated her 80th birthday on Friday, May 13 said she is blessed to have five generations of family.

“Honestly, I wake up in the morning and I think ‘Oh my gosh, it is so special having such a big family,’” she said.

Both Jean and Joseph come from large families in England and Scotland, and married when Jean was 17 and Joseph was 23.

They originally lived in Victoria before

moving to Adelaide to raise their small army, then made the move to Renmark 30 years ago.

“We met through our fathers in Australia. It was always meant to be – he is my soulmate,” Jean said.

“We are so different, yet we are so close.

“I think the main thing you can teach your children as they are growing up is to love one another and to love others who a worse off than you.

“It makes me feel so blessed that I have all these children and they have got all these morals (and) look at somebody who is worse off than them and help them.

“That’s the way we have lived our lives and that’s the way they have lived their lives too.”

One of the couple’s daughters, Robyn Ward, gushed about what it was like growing up in such a big family.

“To sum it up, it was amazing,” Robyn said.

“It’s like someone said ‘The more children, the less drama’...

“We are all a very close family. It’s lots of fun and there is always reliability and trust between one another.

“I always think what an amazing childhood I had and what amazing people I have around me.

“I’ve always got someone. We all have.” Robyn, who now lives in Queensland, said her parents were supportive of the entire family.

“It is so hard being away from that warmth and love and I always long to see them,” she said.

“When they decided to retire here, everyone started following them.”

Having lived in Renmark since the early 1990s, Joseph told Jean he wanted to retire in the town – and they did precisely that.

“We always used to come to the Riverland for holidays before we moved here,” Joseph said.

Jean described her time in the Riverland as “awesome”, while Joseph said the couple loves the Murray and the people in the region.

“It’s a completely different vibe from the city,” he said. “I love the country, because you get to know people.”

Jean and Joseph have always made sure the five generations running around are taught to be kind and authentically themselves.

“It carries on – Joe and I teach our kids, they teach their kids and after we are gone, it’s going to carry on,” Jean said.

“If your children live that way, then you’ve got it made.”



Divided by politics, united by football

FOR more than two years Australia has been divided by the Covid-19 pandemic, mostly due to states having differing restrictions and living conditions to combat the spread of the disease.

We were locked off from the rest of the world by international quarantine and interstate seclusions, as state premiers and territory chiefs micromanaged their own security in an era benign of federation.

Just when these interstate separations seemed past, a federal election loomed and during the past six weeks of the campaign the country has again been subjected to broad division.

It is a division driven by two major political parties’ supposed different beliefs on how our lives should be governed. Throw in a plethora of independent candidates, plus Climate 200 contenders, and a real political amalgam of conflict was rife.

Saturday’s ballot, while changing the government, has done little to stop disunity in the short term.

The former Coalition government is in a blame game, wrestling internally. Liberals and Nationals are reportedly unsure of whether to remain together on opposition benches, an unfamiliar place for almost a decade.

Further to this and perhaps a driver to a Coalition split, is the tussle between moderate and conservative Liberals. It is a broad church teetering and in danger of crumbling if the foundations are not urgently underpinned by footings of common belief.

Large swings to now elected Independent candidates in traditional blue-ribbon Liberal seats have thrown a cat among the pigeons, while an almost 6 per cent national loss of support adds further blame to the moderates.

The new government is also scathed by this phenomenon, with Labor failing to increase its vote and in peril in some areas to the Greens.

With so much division swirling around us how comforting it was to go to Loxton Oval on Sunday and the comfort of community.

The Russell Ebert Tribute Match between the late, great’s former club, Port Adelaide, and our zone team West Adelaide was as fitting tribute to his memory as it was an endorsement of the host community, Loxton, and the Riverland region.

It was a marvellous effort by all involved – from Ebert’s former local footy clubs Loxton and Waikerie, to the District Council of Loxton Waikerie, to West Adelaide, the RFL, the SANFL and Barker MP Tony Pasin and his (former) government for providing core funding.

The problem with attempting to single out contributors is you always miss someone. But to all involved I say, ‘job well done’.

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



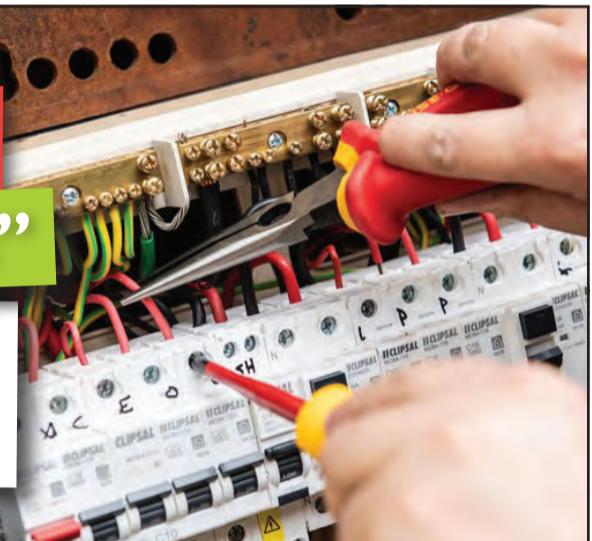
West Adelaide and Port Adelaide did battle in the inaugural Russell Ebert tribute match in Loxton last Sunday.

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The Optimum (and Bumblebee) lifestyle awaits in Paringa...



MAIN PHOTO: Transformers Optimus Prime and Bumblebee stand tall outside a Paringa house, currently the number-one listing on realestate.com.au INSET: The rear of the property. PHOTOS: supplied

More than meets the eye

ELYSE ARMANINI

A PARINGA house is currently the number one viewed property on an Australian selling website – for two unique reasons.

Standing guard in the front yard of 6 Panorama Court, Paringa, are statues of Transformers Optimus Prime and Bumblebee, which have been instrumental in the property listing's popularity.

Ray White selling agent Darrin Trandafil said he thought the Transformers statues would "put people off" but the interest had instead been "enormous". "It's been on every website and people are sharing it everywhere," Mr Trandafil said.

"Currently, it's the number one viewed listing for Australia on realestate.com.au. It's just huge."

"It is a beautiful, magnificent home. It's got everything you want, but reality is the



ROBOTS IN DISGUISE: An image from the Transformers movie series.

Transformers have just created a buzz."

Listed for a cool \$3.35m, the 3406sqm property boasts six bedrooms, four bathrooms and five parking spaces, among a list of luxurious features many homebuyers could only dream of, including:

- professional indoor cinema and surround sound

- large glass-walled gym and workout room

- outdoor entertainment areas including basketball and handball courts

- in-ground pool with waterslide

Mr Trandafil said comments about keeping or having the Transformers removed were about 50-50 from interested buyers.

"I've got a Melbourne couple that are quite keen and the husband would love them to stay, and the

wife would want to get rid of them," he said.

"However, she did say they caught her eye and they were why she had a look and fell in love with the property.

"The (current) owners would love to have the Transformers again, it's just that they are semi-concreted in at the front. They love them and they will take them if no one wants them."

The property has been

on the market for three weeks, and Mr Trandafil said it might not stay on the market for much longer.

"It's in a price range where it's not an overnight sale, and it definitely will be a unique buyer," he said.

"We do believe it will be an interstate buyer, whether it's for a holiday home or a retirement place we're not 100 per cent sure. But it's got a lot of interest from Melbourne and WA."

Mr Trandafil said the Transformers house is "definitely the most unique" he has been the selling agent for, despite seeing some unusual items in houses for sale.

"Everyone knows what they are, they're an icon and everyone knows straight away when you say Bumblebee and Optimus Prime," he said.

"But at the same time, the fact they've created so much interest (in the house) is definitely one of a kind."

Police seek info on 2000-litre fuel theft

INVESTIGATIONS are ongoing into the theft of fuel and farming equipment from a local property earlier this month.

The outbuildings of a property on Sandalwood Road – between Halidon and Karoonda – were entered sometime between Thursday, May 12, and Saturday, May 14, with 2000 litres of diesel, shearing hand pieces, generators and tools stolen from the premises.

It is understood investigations into the matter are ongoing.

Riverlanders with any information that may assist police are asked to contact Crime Stoppers – anonymously – by phone on 1800 333 000, or by visiting the website (www.crimestopperssa.com.au).

Further information regarding farm security can be found by visiting the website (www.police.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0014/2660/Farm-Machinery-Security.pdf).

SAPOL warning of 'sextortion' scam

RIVERLANDERS have been warned against the sharing of private images online following the detection of an extortion scam in South Australia.

SAPOL has identified recent reports involving people sending intimate images or videos, then being threatened into paying money to stop offenders from releasing the material.

These offences – known as 'sextortion' – have seen victims as young as 16 targeted on social media through random friend requests.

Offenders then request intimate images or videos, and threaten to distribute these to the victim's family and friends unless a payment is made.

A SAPOL spokesperson said victims also receive emails claiming they have been filmed visiting adult websites, or performing intimate acts while online.

"To give some legitimacy to the claim, the email can contain an old password or username of the victim, that has been previously compromised," the spokesperson said.

"The victim believes the filming exists, although this is almost never true."

Police have encouraged members of the public:

- to stay safe online
- to avoid sending intimate images and videos online
- to refuse demands for payments
- to report these criminal offences to authorities online

□ for young people to speak to a trusted adult for support

Further information on scams currently affecting South Australia can be found by visiting the website (www.police.sa.gov.au/scams).

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The "famous" farmers' breakfast stall will run from 8am to 12 noon.

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AN inaugural farmers market celebrating all the good things the Earth provides is coming to the Sunraysia region next month, offering free entry, demonstrations, food options, live music and activities to fill your day.

Around 120 stalls will be set up at Jaycee Park, Mildura for the first Sunraysia Farmers Market Good Earth Fare on Saturday, June 11 from 8am to 3pm.

Market co-ordinator Kylie Dew said it will be a "super-sized market" with different stalls and demonstrations on display throughout the morning.

"We'll have lots of different stalls from here and away," Mrs Dew said.

"We'll have lots of community stalls too. There will be demonstrations held to focus on those groups and put their name out there to help the community understand what they do.

"We've got woodturners, the Mildura branch of Greening Australia, the Christie Centre, which does a lot of work for the disabled community, the gardening club will be doing demonstrations of flowers and letting the kids join in...."

Mrs Dew said the inaugural Good Earth Fare was a way to bring the community and market stallholders back together following the impacts of Covid-19 in the region.

"The focus was to try and do something that would bring attention to our market and the community groups," she said.

"I was talking with a number of organisations who were saying they've had their membership numbers plummet. We were trying to find

something that could work for all of us."

A must-try for any market-goers is the "famous" farmers' breakfast stall, which will run from 8am to 12 noon.

"It showcases what our stallholders can grow and produce," Mrs Dew said.

"We try to make that a really pleasurable experience so people can come, have a taste, then go off and buy the produce from the various stallholders.

"They're able to come and taste, enjoy and say, 'Ooh yeah, I actually want a bit of that'."

Gourmet food trucks will be available for eating options later in the day, starting from 12 noon.

Special guest speaker Jamie Durie will make an appearance from 11am to 1pm, and Mrs Dew said she hopes he will give an insight into what people can do better from a sustainability point of view.

"He's got so many different feathers in his cap, so it will be really good to just let him talk about all the things he's been involved in," she said.

"I think it will just be a really interesting conversation. He's certainly an expert in his field."

Other highlights include:

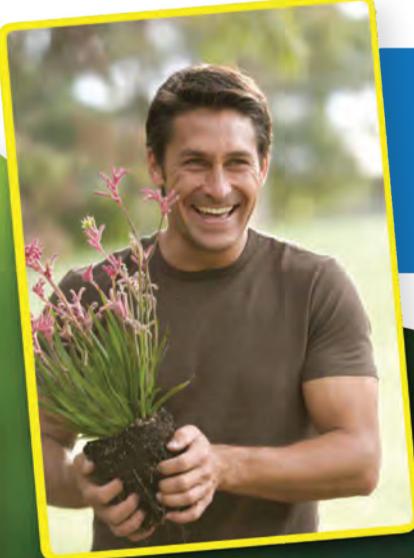
- Live music throughout the day from Shared Affair and the Bluesberries
- A farm animal petting zoo
- Pumpkin noughts and crosses
- A perspex beehive from Monson's Honey
- Vintage tractor display
- A roaming woodland faery, created by an award-winning cosplayer.

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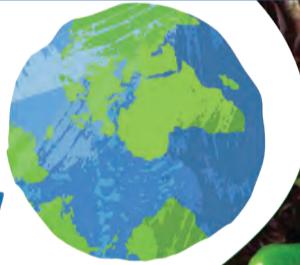
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Riverland among just four spots picked for Australia-wide environment plan...

Loxton hub for Basin's future



The Loxton Research Centre will be home base for one of four regional hubs being set up across Australia for a new consortium aimed at developing and commercialising opportunities for Australia's irrigated agriculture and rural water industries to be "more productive, resilient and sustainable".

LOXTON will house one of just four regional hubs being set-up Australia-wide to help safeguard the environmental and commercial future of the Murray-Darling Basin.

A \$50 million grant from the federal government's Cooperative Research Centre Program and another \$106.5 million from 85 partners will fund the newly announced One Basin Cooperative Research Centre (CRC).

The body will create and assess new sustainable water and agricultural solutions, plus drive adoption by water managers and farmers to increase agricultural output and improve environmental outcomes.

The Lower Basin Hub will be based at the Loxton Research Centre and will play a key role in "identifying and realising future opportunities for the Basin".

"The Lower Basin Hub will build on existing collaborations in the region to work on local priorities that inform outcomes for the entire basin," said Loxton Hub interim leader Kym Walton.

"The hubs will be the focal point for place-based research and the demonstration

of new technologies and education and training activities, all of which will provide the knowledge and skills to support the prosperity of local communities into the future."

Over its 10-year term, One Basin CRC's activities will be concentrated across four regional basin hubs located at Loxton, Mildura, Griffith in south-western NSW and Goondiwindi in southern Queensland.

The Loxton hub will include a consortium of local industries, plus partners and collaborators of the Goyder Institute, including the University of Adelaide, Flinders University, the South Australian Research and Development Institute, the CSIRO, the Department for Environment and Water and the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA).

Those behind the consortium believe the regionally based research and development will support innovation and adaptation by farmers and communities, resulting in more resilient farms and diversified income streams. They are adamant regions will benefit via subsequent job growth and socio-economic improvements.

Interim CEO, Professor Mike Stewardson, said the One Basin CRC would pave the way to transform irrigation regions across Australia and internationally through innovation of water, agriculture and energy technology, enhanced forecasting and decision-making capacity, and pathways to adoption and commercialisation.

"Australia's irrigation regions are the powerhouse of Australia's agricultural sector, producing 50 per cent of Australia's agricultural profits, with the Murray-Darling Basin being the focus of two thirds of that irrigated agriculture," Prof Stewardson said.

The University of Adelaide's Professor Seth Westra, a lead researcher with the new body, said the group would "bring welcome benefits not only to South Australia but the entire Murray-Darling basin".

He will head up the Technology and Opportunities program: one of the three programs of the CRC.

"I'm incredibly excited by this once-in-a-generation opportunity to build genuine partnerships between local communities, First Nations groups, governments, industry

and research organisations, and collectively shape a more resilient and productive future for the Basin," he said.

The national consortium also includes: the University of Melbourne; the Goyder Institute for Water Research and its affiliates; the Australian National University; Charles Sturt University; Hort Innovation; the Murray-Darling Basin Authority; Sensand Technologies and the University of Sydney.



The now-destroyed Berrivale Community mural will be showcased at an SA History Festival event this weekend.

Berri's history on show this weekend for SA festival

BERRI community murals will be on show this weekend as part of the South Australian History Festival.

Berri, Our Town Our Stories is a free, three-day event, show-

casing Berri's historically significant town murals:

- the Berrivale Community mural
- the embroidered panels of children's picture book Possum

One, made by Riverland Girl Guides

- the Berri Bridge Ngurunderi Dreaming mural.

The display will be held at both the Berri Town Hall and

the Berri Bridge this Friday to Sunday, from 10am to 3pm daily.

The event is a collaboration between Our Town Berri, Berri Barmera Council and Part of Things.

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Russell will never know his influence on us tomboys



A letter from yesterday

written by Pat Mickan

THIS column is dedicated to tomboys.

The Oxford Dictionary describes a tomboy as “a girl who enjoys rough, noisy activities traditionally associated with boys”.

Many girls like me often heard this description of us, mostly from adults who meant no harm, but who themselves had lived conventional expectations of females.

I quietly wrestled with it, not having the answers, but wondering why an active girl was thought of in boy terms. It felt unwanted.

Having said that, it did help having brothers, because there was a lot to learn.

Walking along the road one day with the boys, yet another contest fires up; the first one to hit the telegraph-pole with a rock from 10 yards.

Kym demonstrated that the elbow comes through first, essential apprehension for later ball sports, javelin throwing and the divine art of stone skipping.

Rocks didn't help with spoggies – and spoggies around ripening stone-fruits was a problem. So, after haplessly trying scare-guns, scarecrows, and those flitting silver pieces, fathers allowed their kids to use slug guns.

The gun was first nestled against the shoulder then the sights lined up. For a so-called tomboy, I now happily report that most spoggies fluttered around our block, occasionally startled by a slug zinging past, some six inches away.

Once TVs emerged, sports-loving families like ours devoured the SANFL coverage, all in black and white, with Jimmy



INSPIRATION: The late Russell Ebert in his playing days for Port Adelaide. PHOTO: SANFL

Deane and Ian Day featuring among the commentators.

Billie Jean King once said, “You have to see it to be it”.

And since she and Margaret Court were the only sportswomen we saw, once a year at Wimbledon, I turned my mind to the raw power of Port Adelaide centreman Russell Ebert, the Riverland's Russell Ebert, our Russell Ebert.

On our front lawn, I wanted to be like him, mark the footy like him and effect the ‘droppie’ like him. If the stab-kick was timed like Russell's were, the ball would fly flat and direct.

Bouncing the footy was also an inspired art, firstly bouncing it nose down so it came

back, then doing it while walking and then jogging.

Dad took us kids to many SANFL grand finals at Adelaide Oval, the girls as keen as the boys. We were there in 1973 with 55,000 others, when Graham Cornes, socks down, took that flying screamer to put Glenelg in front in the dying moments.

Years later, The Advertiser covered my appointment as a Crows' specialist coach. Brother Mark, then a Crows' assistant coach, was quoted as saying, “She's the best dropkick I've seen”.

But he swears that he said to the journalist, “She's got the best dropkick I've seen”.

Oh well!
In summer, front-yard cricket with brothers was downright demanding; either bowl straight or be consigned to wicket-keeper. “Arrogant,” I thought, but they held all the cards, the challenge made clear.

Kym was such an attacking leg-spinner that I felt under constant duress facing him, refusing to give up the bat when out, as I hadn't even hit the ball yet.

Standing one's ground became essential against the boys' competitive drive.

If not searching for cricket balls among the orange trees, there were Cowboy and Indian wars. First rule, when shot you dropped to the ground and counted to 20, the last 10 finished with indefinable, impatient speed.

Not being a tree-climbing ‘tomboy’, nor finding joy in spotlighting or rabbit trapping, the pleasure was in physical expression.

So, Russell Ebert will never know his influence for girls like us. I'm indeed grateful to him, as I am now, that females are role models too, for girls and boys.

All, as the term tomboy slowly fades away.



Locals with gardens “of any size” are urged to get involved in the 2022 Riverland Rose and Garden Festival. Organisers are looking for more open gardens this year. PHOTO: supplied

Seeking gardens for Rose Festival

THE next Riverland Rose and Garden Festival may be four months away, but now is the time to decide to enrol your garden in the program.

The Riverland Rose and Garden Festival Committee is looking for locals to participate in this year's festival, which runs from October 14 to 23.

“You don't have to commit to opening for the whole of the festival,” said open gardens co-ordinator Michelle Dominic.

“If you only want to open for one weekend, or a couple days during the week, we would be more than thrilled to have you participate.”

Mrs Dominic said participants can decide their level of commitment.

“It's up to you and the committee is here to help support gardeners in the logistics of opening their gardens to the public,” she said.

“Such as, we supply the open gardens roadside signs, we have your garden listing in the official festival program, and we are here to answer your questions you may have.”

Mrs Dominic said the festival would be unable to function without the support of local gardeners, “from Renmark to Waikerie, Loxton to Morgan and everywhere in between”.

“We have been so fortunate that since our humble start in 1994 as Renmark Rose Festival, we have had tremendous support, and we want that to continue,” she said.

“People who have opened their gardens in the past have said what a wonderful experience it was, as they have met a lot of fantastic people through the process and have made friends with many, going on to visit the others' gardens.

“One gardener who opens regularly says ‘It's not all hard work’.”

The committee is looking for different types of gardens.

“You don't have to have a large garden to be involved,” Mrs Dominic said.

“We are looking for anyone who has a garden they love, of any size, to open it up and share it with likeminded people who enjoy gardening.

“No garden is too large or too small.”
Anyone interested in learning is urged to call Michelle Dominic (phone 0419 421 594 or email michelle@dominicwines.com).

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Mid Murray flags 6% average rate rise

THE Mid Murray Council has proposed a 6 per cent average general rate increase in its Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget for 2022-23.

The council released the draft business plan and budget, plus its draft long-term financial plan for 2022-23 to 2031-32 for community consultation last week.

The plan proposes raising additional rates income due to the creation of new assessments and new/additional building development.

Mid Murray Mayor Dave Burgess said council had carefully considered both the financial challenges facing its own operations and those of the Mid Murray community in setting the draft budget.

"In the past year alone we've

seen significant cost of living increases – from the CPI of 1.5 per cent, we initially budgeted for to over 5 per cent," he said.

"The cost of items like fuel and construction materials have risen dramatically.

"That, combined with reduced rate increases over recent years to support our community from the economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, has placed additional strain on council's sustainability and long-term financial planning."

Mr Burgess said council understood households and businesses faced increasing costs, but said it could no longer carry that cost burden without increasing rates or cutting necessary services and infrastructure spending.

"We will be looking at ways we can increase efficiencies and reduce costs without impacting on the delivery of essential services that our community relies on," he said.

He said Mid Murray Council needed to ensure the capital investments it was undertaking to strengthen its local economy were not jeopardised.

Mr Burgess said council also wanted to support local businesses as they continued to recover from the impact of Covid-19.

"We will also continue to offer relief options for ratepayers who are struggling by implementing a rates hardship policy or postponing rates for State Seniors Card holders on their principal place of residence," he said.



Council said its plan was based on a 3 per cent CPI increase in line with federal government projections.

It said this also took into account an additional 1 per cent, to cover the associated cost increases from the current financial year due to the unexpectedly sharp CPI rise over the past year.

The council said a further 2 per cent was included in line with the council's draft long-term financial

plan for 2022-23 to 2031-32 to ensure the council remained financially sustainable into the future.

It said the total proposed 6 per cent general average rate increase was equivalent to an overall average of an additional \$84 per existing assessment for the year.

However, it said the actual increase payable for any individual property may be more or less than that figure, depending on the value and movement in the capital valuation of each property.

Community consultation on the council's business and financial plans closes at noon on June 2.

For more information, or to have your say, visit: www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER

Vocal Locals to spread wellbeing messages through Loxton

A NEW initiative aimed at spreading positive mental health and wellbeing-related messages among the Loxton community has been unveiled.

Vocal Locals – an initiative of Loxton locals and the successful online farmer wellbeing program ifarmwell – will see 10 prominent Loxton community members participate in the program in the coming months.

The project is supported through the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) through funding from the federal Future Drought Fund. At least half of the 10 participants will be farmers, and will complete free, evidence-based online ifarmwell modules, plus a face-to-face mental health workshop, which community members are welcome to join.

Founder of ifarmwell, Dr Kate Gunn, said the project reinforces the messages of the popular Kick Off Ya Boots production, written by Loxton grain grower John Gladigau.

"Kick Off Ya Boots was all about celebrating rural life, exploring challenges commonly faced by farming families, such as succession planning, and demonstrating practical ways that farmers can effectively manage in



Loxton-based grain grower and writer of the *Kick Off Ya Boots* production John Gladigau with ifarmwell founder Dr Kate Gunn at the 2021 Kick Off Ya Boots event in Loxton. Mr Gladigau and Dr Gunn will lead the way in a new initiative to spread positive mental health and wellbeing messages in the Loxton community. PHOTO: supplied

difficult circumstances," Dr Gunn said.

"Vocal Locals will build on that by continuing the conversation, strengthening social connection and showing others the value of taking time to look after their own wellbeing."

Mr Gladigau will serve as the Vocal Locals local co-ordinator, while Riverland local Tanya Lehmann will be the Vocal Locals wellbeing coach.

Dr Gunn said ifarmwell research through the University of South Australia's department of rural health highlighted the fact farmers prioritise looking after their farms

over looking after themselves.

The research also found farmers can be hesitant about engaging with mental health services which are perceived as failing to understand the unique challenges farmers face.

"Importantly, this research has also indicated that rural community members are willing to consult known local community members and to engage in health and wellbeing initiatives that they perceive as culturally appropriate," she said.

"Normalising conversations about mental

health and demonstrating the importance of investing time in maintaining wellbeing will help break down stigma and stoicism that is characteristic of Australian farmers and can make it difficult for them to invest in themselves, and to use mental health services.

"We are also hoping that Vocal Locals will help to open up conversations on social media that deepen and strengthen social support networks within the community, and empower Loxton locals to help each other with maintaining or improving their wellbeing."

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Heading north? There's always a country music show somewhere

By **ROBYN MCINTOSH**

MY KIND OF COUNTRY



NORTHERN NSW and Queensland seem to be the way to go if you want to catch some country music entertainment.

The Yellow Belly Country Music Festival is being held from Monday, June 27 through to Sunday, July 3, with walk-ups from Monday to Friday, and free admission until Friday night when a \$5 charge applies.

Saturday and Sunday entertainment is \$25 per person, each day.

Camping at the grounds is \$15 for a powered site (per night), or \$12 for an unpowered site (per night), with tickets for shows to be purchased on entry to the grounds

For non-campers, tickets can be purchased at the door on the day you attend.

This event is held at the St George Showgrounds and guests artists appearing on the weekend are **Brian Letton, Jeff Brown, Kylie Castle, Graham Parfit, Gary Fogarty, Ray Essery, Alisha Smith, Keith Jamieson, Caitlyn Jamieson, Buddy Thompson and Lynne Bennett.**

As you may have heard, some of the artists attending festivals are getting Covid-19, so at times there is a change to the line-up.



If travelling to the Northern Territory, **Chris Callaghan** is resident entertainer at the Outback Caravan Park, Tennant Creek, performing nightly from 4pm, so call in or stay a while and mention that you are from the Riverland.

Also from June 1 until July 31, five nights a week, you will find **Peter Coad & The Coad Sisters**, plus **Jim Hermel** presenting The Country Rock & Roll show at Territory Manor Motel & Caravan Park, Mataranka.



Tracy Coster – *Southerly Change* was recorded during lockdown and Tracy thanks all the musos and backing singers for putting the effort into making this happen, as it was produced in multi studios.

The final product was produced, mixed and mastered at ENREC Studios at Tamworth by **Steve Newton**.

The title track is from **Glenn Ford's** pen and it is a good choice to kick off the album, as it leaves the listener wanting to hear more.

Tracy has written *Dreams Don't Come True*, *Beer I Bought For Dave*, and *Perfectly Me*, and co-written *Patti's Place* with **Steve Newton**, and *She's Forgotten How To Smile* with **Chris & Angie Pritchard**.

One of my favorite tracks is *The Man In The Colourful Suit*, a co-write by **Tracy Coster, Glennys & Ian Muir**, and **Allan Caswell**. It's a beautiful tribute to a bonza bloke, the one and only **Chad Morgan**.

An Eastbound Train, is a duet with **Peter Denahy**, and written by **Tracy Coster/Stan Coster**.



Tracy Coster with fellow bush balladeer Jeff Brown at her album launch. PHOTOS: Robyn McIntosh

Ian Quinn is the writer of *Common Sense*, while *See You When I'm Looking At You Mate* is penned by **Simply Bushed** songwriters, **Paul Grierson/Chris Rieger**.

Lloyd Jansen wrote *Things Are Looking Up*, while *Barcoo Water* was penned by **Wally Brummell**.

I feel that his is the best album that Tracy has recorded in a long time, and I appreciate each of 13 songs in their own right.

Southerly Change is on Gidgee Records label, and can be purchased for \$25 on Tracy's website (www.tracycoster.com.au). While on the site check other available albums from Tracy or her father Stan Coster.



I have had numerous inquiries regarding the Mildura Country Music Festival.

The re-established September festival, now the Mildura Wentworth Country Music Festival, starts on September 23, and runs through until October 1.

Some class artists have already been named: **Rodney Vincent, Paul Costa, Don Costa, Justin Standley, Bec Hance, Andrew Swift, Ged & Trudy Hintz, The Redlands, Sara Leete, Wayne Horsburgh, The Sullivans, Nev n Toni, Jarred Shaw, Sandie Dodd, Gretta Ziller, Rob Breeze, Gina Timms, Anthony Tenace, Lance Birrell, Caitlin Drew, Jarrod Shaw, Graeme Hugo, Neil McArthur, Dwayne Elix, and John O'Dea**.

I will give a full artist and venue listing as I am notified, as well as some other info, in future columns.



Recently word came through that both **Nev Nichols**, and **Bev McShanag** had passed away, and I will bring you more on these two country music entertainers in a future column.



In the absence of the SA Country Music Festival, I've heard that there will be some country music entertainment at Barmera and Cobdogla leading up to and during the June long weekend.



Enjoying a trip with Waikerie-based Rivergum Cruises recently were Karen Collins (back left), Gus Evans, Wayne Collins, Bev Evans (front, left) and Chloe Collins. PHOTOS: supplied



Riverland locals Dean Schubert (back left), Brett Hull, Peter Ward, Lilli Hull, Michelle Ward, Levi Hull, Beth Ward, Sheri Schubert (front left), Amanda Hull and Graeme Ward enjoying a Rivergum Cruise.



Senior Waikerie CFS member Bryan Jenke, who initiated the idea of returning Waikerie's first fire truck last month to the old fire station on Peake Terrace. PHOTO: supplied



Buskers, The James Brothers, whose set-up caught Robyn McIntosh's eye on Peel Street at Tamworth. "Interesting props," she said.



CORPORATE CUP: A total of 17 teams and 68 people, comprising a mix of Adelaide and Riverland companies, took part in Big River Golf and Country Club's successful Corporate Cup 2022 recently. Pictured are participants Darren Schwartzkopff, Brodie Beaumont, Josh Sandland and Chris Bonney. PHOTO: supplied

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BIGGEST MORNING TEA: Enjoying a cuppa at the Biggest Morning Tea at Berri Town Hall last week were members of the Cancer Council Riverland branch Harriet Lacey, of Berri, Leanne Christopher, Helen Darling and Audiene Scheer, all of Loxton. PHOTOS: Alexandra Bull



Doreen Owen, Helen Shaw, both of Barmera, Nancy Murdock, Lorna Peterson, Mary White, Sally Forward and Mary Cox, all of Berri.



CELEBRATING VOLUNTEERS: Renmark Paringa Council held a ceremony last week at the Renmark Club to recognise local volunteers as part of National Volunteer Week. Pictured is Karen 'Kazza' Frahn with Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson. PHOTOS: Hugh Schuitemaker



Pat Watts, of Lyrup, and Marg Lambert, of Berri, at last week's Biggest Morning Tea event.



Allan Langley with Mayor Neil Martinson

Epic journey of self-discovery

AN award-winning South Australian playwrights newest creation is heading to Renmark for one night only.

Cathedral by Caleb Lewis presents an ode to the Limestone Coast's underwater world, in a play particularly inspired by the Piccaninnie Ponds in the small town of Wye.

The play will be performed at the Chaffey Theatre on Friday, June 3.

Presented by the State Theatre Company South Australia and Country Arts SA, Cathedral will take audiences on an immersive deep-sea dive using soundscape and multimedia under the direction of Shannon Rush.

A thriller, family drama and epic journey of self-discovery, Cathedral is a life-affirming piece of storytelling that asks the question: Do we turn away from our pain, or dive right in?

Lewis said Cathedral follows a diver still haunted by the loss of his mother and still lost in the deep and the dark.

"The play asks how do you grieve without a body, why do some of us sink when others swim, what draws us down there and what calls us back into the light?" he said.

Rush said the creative team is building an "immersive sensorial experience" for the audience.

"Cathedral utilises an evocative aural form that calls on its audience to really lean in and listen," she said.

"I feel privileged to be bringing Caleb's powerful story to life with an extraordinary storyteller, Nathan O'Keefe, and an outstanding cast of voice actors."

Country Arts SA chief executive Anthony Peluso said audiences will be captivated by



Cathedral is showing for one night only at the Chaffey Theatre on Friday, June 3.

PHOTO: supplied

a South Australian story.

"To have a regional story told from a regional perspective travel the breadth of the state is truly exciting for us and local audiences," he said.

"Cathedral is a suspenseful and beautifully told story that will captivate everyone who sees it."

To book tickets visit the Country Arts SA website (www.countryarts.org.au/events/cathedral/).

1927 in Renmark this weekend

AUSSIE rockers 1927 – who had a string of hits in the late 1980s and early 1990s – will perform at Renmark's Chaffey Theatre this Saturday night.

The band was best known for ARIA hits like That's When I Think of You, You'll Never Know, and their biggest song, the power ballad

If I Could.

All three came from their debut album Ish, which topped the Australian charts.

After disbanding in the late 1990s, the band – including lead singer Erik Weideman – reformed in 2009 and has toured regularly ever since.

"I love touring,"

Weideman said.

"There is nothing like getting on stage with a bunch of guys, playing for 90 minutes and having the room to breathe.

"None of us are perfect musicians. I reckon I probably muck up once a night, everyone does, that's the beauty of live music."

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Berri Seniors meet every Tuesday from 1pm-4pm at the club rooms at 4 Draper Road, Berri. Pool, cards, games, computer or just socialise. Everyone welcome.

WEEKLY

Palms Bingo Club hold a bingo session every Tuesday at the Monash Club. Doors open at

11am and eyes down at 11.30am. Lunch and drinks available from the bar.

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Tennis Doubles at the Berri Tennis Club. Every Saturday afternoon at 1.30pm and also Thursday mornings at 9.30am during school terms 2 and 3. All welcome.

WEEKLY

Meet, Greet & Eat at Loxcare Community Hub, 13 Drabsch Street Loxton, every Friday at 10am. Come and enjoy morning tea and a

chat. Inquiries phone 8584 6954. Good food, good people, good times.

WEEKLY

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea at Waikerie Bowling Club starting at 10am. Entry is \$5 and will feature a raffle and spinning wheel. All welcome.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

U3A Riverland public presentation of The Role of LoxCare in the Community. With more than 65 volunteers, LoxCare is more than just a well-organised op shop. Everyone welcome to the clubrooms from 1.30pm.

THURSDAY, MAY 26

U3A public presentation in U3A Riverland Clubrooms at 1.30 pm. Guest presenter Bev Scarfe, co-ordinator of Loxcare in Loxton, will speak on the role of Loxcare in the community. All welcome.

THURSDAY, MAY 26

CFA Bingo at the Loxton Club are raising funds for Loxton Retirement Village Committee. Eyes down at 7pm. All welcome. Supper and raffles available.

FRIDAY, MAY 27

The next meeting of the Waikerie and Districts Cancer Support Group will be held at the RSL Hall, in Waikerie, from 10am. Fundraising for the Biggest Morning Tea with a teapot and teacup display.

SATURDAY, MAY 28

Australian Red Cross Community Vaccination Day at Berri Vaccination Clinic. Free transport available but registrations are essential. Phone 1800 334 882.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 and SUNDAY, JUNE 12

Book fair at St Edmund's Anglican Church Hall, Langdon Terrace, Barmera. Wide range of books available – fiction, non-fiction and children's. Open 10am to 4pm both days. Cash only.

Winter weather warning for Riverlanders

RIVERLANDERS have been urged to prepare for severe weather ahead of the coming winter months.

The SA State Emergency Service (SASES) is reminding people to be proactive and act now to prepare for severe weather ahead of the coming winter season.

Robert Charlton, SASES state duty officer, said preparing for extreme weather can minimise the impact on communities and individuals.

"Nobody wants to see water running down their walls inside their house or be without power because a tree or branch has fallen through their roof," Mr Charlton said.

"The SA State Emergency Service will always be available to help the community in times of emergency, but prevention is always better than cure.

"We are asking the people of South Australia to work with us to better understand what they can do before an extreme weather event strikes and contribute to building resilient communities."

Mr Charlton said developing an emergency plan with house members was an important first step.

"People should be asking themselves do they know what to do if a flood or storm warning is issued? Or where to go for safety and how to get there?" he said.

"Many of the risks can be reduced or avoided by spending a little time planning and getting your property storm ready.

"Our major emergency event in the state's north and west coast regions earlier this year showed us how homes and communities can quickly become isolated.

"It also showed how people are willing to take unnecessary and dangerous risks by driving through floodwaters. During a flooding event, driving through flood waters is the number one cause of death."

The SASES advises the following, to get ready for winter:

- ❑ Trim trees or branches that overhang buildings.
- ❑ Check your insurance policy is current and adequate.
- ❑ Inspect and fix any damage to your roof.
- ❑ Check your gutters, downpipes and drains are clear.
- ❑ Put together an emergency kit.
- ❑ Ask your local council if your area is prone to flooding.
- ❑ Monitor the local conditions by following emergency services or Bureau of Meteorology social media.
- ❑ Call 132 500 if you need SASES assistance. Call Triple Zero (000) if the matter is life threatening.
- ❑ Check the ses.sa.gov.au website for further advice on how to prepare for severe weather.

Kylie Egan from the Bureau of Meteorology said SA has an above-average chance of above-median rainfall for winter.

"This is linked to the chance of a negative Indian Ocean Dipole developing, which can result in higher rainfall for the state," he said.

"South Australia usually experiences a number of damaging weather systems such as cold fronts during winter, which can bring heavy rain, thunderstorms, hail and damaging winds."

Many of the risks can be reduced or avoided by spending a little time planning and getting your property storm ready...

- Robert Charlton
SASES state duty officer



St Joseph's School Renmark won the Innovative Program award at the first SA Catholic Education Awards on Thursday, May 12 for its wellbeing program. Pictured with the award are Chrissie Grocke (inclusive education co-ordinator, left), Emma Warner (school board chairperson), Don Depalma (principal), Linda Lawton (wellbeing co-ordinator) and Kirsty Johnson (counsellor). PHOTOS: supplied

Student wellbeing program earns state recognition

ELYSE ARMANINI

A RENMARK school was recognised for its student wellbeing program at the inaugural South Australian Catholic Education Awards night earlier this month.

St Joseph's School Renmark won the Innovative Program award for its wellbeing program, which was nominated by the school board's chairperson, Emma Warner, on Thursday, May 12.

The program provides support to children, families and the wider community to develop mental and emotional health, physical wellbeing, and provides connections to assist with hardships.

St Joseph's principal Don Depalma said the award "means a lot".

"It's recognition of the work, effort and initiatives we've been trying to establish over recent years," Mr Depalma said.

"It's good for our staff, and our community, to know what we're doing is being validated.

"It was really good to be recognised in the country. Sometimes we need to do things a little left-field to support our community. We don't want to be seen as disadvantaged because we're in the country.

"(The award win) cer-



Charlie, St Joseph's School Renmark's therapy dog, spending time with students.

tainly brings to the front of everyone's mind that wellbeing is an important aspect for children, families and staff."

Key aspects of the program, which has been running for four years, include:

- ❑ strengthening support through an enhanced wellbeing team
- ❑ the creation of a wellbeing room
- ❑ the introduction of a cavoodle named Charlie, the school therapy dog
- ❑ the introduction of a wellbeing hub website
- ❑ a unique partnership with a local GP

External support services, such as an occupational therapist, speech pathologist,

physiotherapist and psychologist, visit the school regularly.

Mr DePalma said the program has evolved since it began, and he has already seen many positive outcomes.

"Whether it's diagnosed needs, anxiety, they're just having a bad day, or friendship issues... we have platforms to support the children," he said.

"Charlie, our therapy dog, has added a wonderful dimension. The way he calms classes, supports children with needs, the way he promotes empathy, kindness, care... he's been an amazing resource."

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WEDNESDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Four Corners; 11:00 Scottish Vets Down Under; 11:30 Space 22; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 National Press Club Address; 1:40 Media Watch; 2:00 Poldark; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:55 Long Lost Family; 4:40 Tenable; 5:30 Hard Quiz; 6:00 The Drum; 7:00 ABC News; 7:30 7.30; 8:00 Hard Quiz; 8:30 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering; 9:00 You Can't Ask That; 9:35 QI; 10:05 Would I Lie To You?; 10:35 ABC Late News; 10:50 The Business

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World; 6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom; 6:20 Bluey; 6:25 Octonauts; 6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures; 7:00 Dino Dana; 7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines; 7:30 Anh's Brush With Fame; 8:00 Art Works; 8:30 Days Like These with Diesel; 9:30 Space 22; 10:00 The Hollow Crown; 12:15 Louis Theroux; 1:20 Parks and Recreation; 2:00 Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency; 2:55 TBA

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Murder At 1600; 2:15 World's Deadliest Weather: Caught On Camera; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 Home And Away; 7:30 Big Brother; 9:00 Britain's Got Talent; 10:15 The Latest: Seven News; 10:45 Outrageous Weddings; 11:45 Absentia; 12:45 The Goldbergs; 2:00 Home Shopping; 4:00 NBC Today; 5:00 Seven Early News; 5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 1:30 Great Australian Detour; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 6:00 Nine News; 7:00 A Current Affair; 7:30 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 9:10 Travel Guides; 10:10 Nine News Late; 10:40 Footy Classified; 11:35 Prison Girls; 12:30 Tipping Point; 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 2:30 Global Shop; 3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory; 4:30 A Current Affair; 5:00 Nine News Early Edition

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 MasterChef Australia Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First; 6:30 The Project; 7:30 MasterChef Australia; 8:30 Five Bedrooms; 9:30 Bull; 10:30 This Is Us; 11:30 The Project Encore; 12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert; 1:30 Home Shopping; 4:30 CBS Mornings

5:00 World News; 9:00 Make Me A Dealer; 10:00 Paddington Station 24/7; 11:00 Legacy List (US); 12:00 BBC News At Ten; 12:30 Abc World News Tonight With David Muir; 1:00 PBS Newshour; 2:00 Dateline; 2:30 Insight; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling - Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022; 6:00 Mastermind; 6:30 SBS World News; 7:35 Tony Robinson - WWII By Drone; 8:30 Big Ben Restoring the World Famous Clock; 9:25 Cobra; 10:25 SBS World News Late; 10:55 Cycling - Giro D'Italia 2022

THURSDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 That Pacific Sports Show; 11:00 Palazzo di Cozzo; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Hard Quiz; 1:30 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering; 2:00 Poldark; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:55 Long Lost Family; 4:40 Tenable; 5:30 Hard Quiz; 6:00 The Drum; 6:55 Sammy J; 7:00 ABC News; 7:30 7.30; 8:00 Foreign Correspondent; 8:30 Q+A; 9:35 Rosie Batty's One Plus One; 10:05 ABC Late News; 10:20 The Business; 10:35 The Family Court Murders; 11:35 Scottish Vets Down Under

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World; 6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom; 6:20 Bluey; 6:25 Octonauts; 6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures; 7:00 Dino Dana; 7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines; 7:30 Spicks And Specks; 8:30 Would I Lie To You?; 9:00 Hard Quiz; 9:30 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering; 10:00 QI; 10:30 Insert Name Here; 11:00 Would I Lie To You?; 11:30 Parks and Recreation; 12:15 Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Lies In Plain Sight; 2:00 Kochie's Business Builders; 2:30 Highway Cops; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 Home And Away; 8:30 The Front Bar; 9:30 The Latest: Seven News; 10:00 2 Guns; 12:15 Dying On The Edge; 2:30 Home Shopping; 4:00 NBC Today; 5:00 Seven Early News; 5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 1:45 Talking Honey; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 6:00 Nine News; 7:00 A Current Affair; 7:30 Rbt; 8:30 Emergency; 9:30 New Amsterdam; 10:30 The Equalizer; 11:20 Nine News Late; 11:50 Urbex; 12:40 Tipping Point; 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 2:30 Global Shop; 3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory; 4:30 A Current Affair

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 MasterChef Australia Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First; 6:30 The Project; 7:30 MasterChef Australia; 8:30 Law & Order; 10:30 To Be Advised; 11:30 The Project Encore; 12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert; 1:30 Home Shopping; 4:30 CBS Mornings

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FRIDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Q+A; 11:10 Grand Designs; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Barons; 2:00 The Leunig Fragments; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:55 Long Lost Family; 4:40 Tenable; 5:25 Hard Quiz; 6:00 The Drum; 7:00 ABC News; 7:30 Gardening Australia; 8:30 Keeping Faith; 9:30 Agatha Raisin; 10:20 ABC Late News; 10:40 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering; 11:10 You Can't Ask That; 11:40 rage

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6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Jodi Picoult's Salem Falls; 2:00 House Of Wellness; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 AFL; 10:00 AFL Post Game; 10:30 Armchair Experts; 11:00 TBA; 12:50 The Goldbergs; 2:00 Home Shopping; 4:00 Million Dollar Minute; 5:00 NBC Today

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Dying For The Crown; 1:50 Garden Gurus Moments; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 6:00 Nine News; 7:00 A Current Affair; 7:30 Take Me Home; 8:30 Jack Reacher; 11:05 Good Kill; 1:00 Great Australian Detour; 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 4:00 Take Two; 4:30 Global Shop; 5:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 5:30 A Current Affair

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Living Room Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First; 6:30 The Project; 7:30 The Living Room; 8:30 To Be Advised; 11:30 The Project Encore; 12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert; 1:30 Home Shopping

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SATURDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 rage; 10:30 rage Guest Programmer; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Midsomer Murders; 2:00 Father Brown; 2:45 War On Waste; 3:45 Grand Designs; 4:40 Landline; 5:10 Magical Land Of Oz; 6:10 Griff's Canadian Adventure; 7:00 ABC News; 7:30 Father Brown; 8:15 Call The Midwife; 9:20 Barons; 10:15 The Good Karma Hospital; 11:50 rage Guest Programmer; 5:00 rage

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Guess How Much I Love You; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World; 6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom; 6:20 Bluey; 6:30 Rusty's Mobile Rivet Lab; 7:00 The Adventures Of Paddington; 7:10 Shaun The Sheep; 7:20 Bluey; 7:30 Spicks And Specks; 8:00 QI; 8:30 Live At The Apollo; 9:15 Sammy J; 9:20 The Stand Up Sketch Show; 9:45 Whose Line Is It Anyway?; 10:10 Would I Lie To You?; 10:40 Gavin And Stacey; 11:10 Schitt's Creek; 11:35 The Young Offenders

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Border Security: International; 12:30 The Crows Show; 1:00 AFL; 4:00 Better Homes And Gardens; 5:00 Seven News Adelaide; 5:30 Discover With RAA Travel; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 AFL; 10:00 AFL Post Game; 10:30 TBA; 12:00 The Disaster Artist; 2:00 TBA; 4:00 It's Academic; 5:00 House Of Wellness

6:00 Easy Eats; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Today Extra - Saturday; 12:00 Our State On A Plate; 12:30 The Rebound; 1:00 Great Australian Detour; 1:30 Outback & Under; 2:00 Taronga; 3:00 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 4:30 The Garden Gurus; 5:00 Nine News: First At Five; 5:30 Getaway; 6:00 Nine News Saturday; 7:00 A Current Affair; 7:30 Jurassic World; 9:55 Godzilla; 12:15 Labour Of Love; 1:05 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything; 2:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 4:30 Global Shop; 5:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping; 5:30 Wesley Impact With Stu Cameron

6:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 6:30 Leading The Way With Dr. Michael Yousef; 7:00 Escape Fishing With ET; 7:30 The Offroad Adventure Show; 8:30 My Market Kitchen; 9:00 Australia By Design; 9:30 Studio 10; Saturday; 12:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 12:30 The Living Room Encore; 1:30 Healthy Homes Australia; 2:00 Buy To Build; 2:30 Roads Less Travelled; 3:00 What's Up Down Under; 3:30 All 4 Adventure; 4:30 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn; 5:00 10 News First; 6:00 Bondi Rescue; 6:30 Isuzu UTE A-League Men; 10:00 To Be Advised; 11:00 Ambulance Australia; 12:00 Home Shopping; 5:00 Hour Of Power

5:00 World News; 9:00 Love Your Garden; 10:00 Great Canal Journeys; 11:00 Paul O'grady For The Love Of Dogs; 12:00 BBC News At Ten; 12:30 Abc World News Tonight With David Muir; 1:00 PBS Newshour; 2:00 Motorcycles Superbike World Championship; 2:55 Football - Countdown To Qatar 2022; 3:30 Ultimate Bowls Championship 2022 Part 2; 4:30 Cycling - Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022; 5:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 5:35 Nazi Megastructures; 6:30 SBS World News; 7:35 Worlds Most Scenic Railway Journeys; 8:30 Secrets Of Royal Gardens; 9:25 Secrets Of The Tower Of London; 10:20 Cycling - Giro D'Italia 2022; 1:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo

SUNDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 Insiders; 10:00 Offsiders; 11:00 Compass; 11:30 Songs of Praise; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Landline; 1:30 Gardening Australia; 2:30 The Great Acceleration; 4:30 Back To Nature; 5:00 Art Works; 5:30 Antiques Roadshow; 6:30 Compass; 7:00 ABC News Sunday; 7:40 Grand Designs; 8:30 Barons; 9:25 Life; 10:25 Harrow; 11:20 Agatha Raisin; 12:10 The Bikes Of Wrath; 1:30 Classic Countdown; 2:30 rage; 4:10 Tenable; 5:00 Insiders

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Guess How Much I Love You; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World; 6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom; 6:20 Bluey; 6:25 Octonauts; 6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures; 7:00 The Adventures Of Paddington; 7:10 Shaun The Sheep; 7:20 Bluey; 7:30 Compass; 8:00 You Can't Ask That; 8:30 Louis Theroux; 9:30 The Family Court Murders; 10:30 Days Like These with Diesel; 11:30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces; 12:15 Charlie's Country; 2:00 ABC News Update

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 House Of Wellness; 1:00 Highway Cops; 1:30 SANFL; 4:00 AFL; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 The Voice; 8:55 7NEWS Spotlight; 10:00 Jimmy Barnes: Working Class Boy; 12:15 The Blacklist; 1:15 The Wall; 2:30 TBA; 3:30 Million Dollar Minute; 4:00 NBC Today; 5:00 Seven Early News; 5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Easy Eats; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Sunday Footy Show; 12:00 Sports Sunday; 1:00 Drive Tv; 1:30 Take Me Home; 2:30 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 4:00 Travel Guides; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Hello Sa; 6:00 Nine News Sunday; 7:00 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 8:40 60 Minutes; 9:40 Nine News Late; 10:10 The First 48; 11:10 5 Mistakes That Caught A Killer; 12:00 Unspeakable Crime; 1:00 Drive Tv; 1:30 Tv Shop -Home Shopping; 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory; 4:30 Take Two; 5:00 Nine News Early Edition; 5:30 Today

6:00 Mass For You At Home; 6:30 Turning Point With David Jeremiah; 7:00 Joseph Prince; 7:30 Joel Osteen; 8:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:30 The Living Room Encore; 9:30 Studio 10; 12:00 MasterChef Australia Encore; 2:30 My Market Kitchen; 3:00 Destination Desert; 3:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn; 5:00 10 News First; 6:30 The Sunday Project; 7:30 MasterChef Australia; 9:00 FBI; 11:00 The Sunday Project Encore; 12:00 Home Shopping; 4:30 CBS Mornings

5:00 World News; 9:00 Love Your Garden; 10:00 Great Canal Journeys; 11:00 Paul O'grady For The Love Of Dogs; 12:00 APAC Network; 12:30 Abc World News Tonight With David Muir; 1:00 Motorsport: ProMX Championships 2022; 4:00 Football: Countdown To Qatar 2022; 4:30 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022; 5:30 The Rise Of The Nazis; 6:30 SBS World News; 7:35 Tutankhamun With Bettany Hughes; 8:30 Conspiracy In The Harem; 9:30 Pompeii: After The Eruption; 10:45 Cycling: Giro d'Italia 2022 Stage 21; 1:20 Going Places With Ernie Dingo; 1:50 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown; 2:45 Gourmet Farmer

MONDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Landline; 11:00 Antiques Roadshow; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Mum; 1:25 Vera; 2:55 Grand Designs Australia; 3:50 Long Lost Family; 4:40 Tenable; 5:25 Hard Quiz; 6:00 The Drum; 7:00 ABC News; 7:30 7.30; 8:00 Australian Story; 8:30 Four Corners; 9:20 Media Watch; 9:35 India Now; 10:05 ABC Late News; 10:20 The Business; 10:40 Q+A; 11:40 Keeping Faith; 12:40 Poldark; 1:40 rage

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World; 6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom; 6:20 Bluey; 6:25 Octonauts; 6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures; 7:00 Dino Dana; 7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines; 7:30 Earth's Amazing Islands; 8:30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces; 9:20 Restoration Australia; 10:20 Employable Me Australia; 11:20 QI; 11:50 Whose Line Is It Anyway?; 12:15 Parks and Recreation; 12:55 Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 The Alleged Abduction; 2:00 Criminal Confessions; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 Home And Away; 7:30 Big Brother; 9:00 9-1-1; 11:00 The Latest: Seven News; 11:30 The Resident; 12:30 A Confession; 1:30 Emergency Call; 2:00 TBA; 4:00 NBC Today; 5:00 Seven Early News; 5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 1:45 Garden Gurus Moments; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 6:00 Nine News; 7:00 A Current Affair; 7:30 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 9:10 Million Dollar Murders; 10:15 Nine News Late; 10:45 Footy Classified; 11:45 Manifest; 12:35 Tipping Point; 1:30 Tv Shop -Home Shopping; 2:30 Global Shop; 3:00 Tv Shop -Home Shopping; 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory; 4:30 A Current Affair; 5:00 Nine News Early Edition

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5:00 World News; 9:00 Make Me A Dealer; 10:00 Paddington Station; 11:00 Legacy List; 12:00 BBC Weekend News; 12:30 Abc World News Tonight With David Muir; 1:00 Al Jazeera News Hour; 2:00 First Australians; 3:10 Bamay; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022; 6:00 Mastermind; 6:30 SBS World News; 7:30 Saving Lives At Sea; 8:35 24 Hours In Emergency; 9:30 737 Max: Ten Mistakes; 10:25 SBS World News Late; 11:00 Medici - The Magnificent; 3:15 Going Places With Ernie Dingo; 4:50 Destination Flavour Scandinavia Bitesize

TUESDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Foreign Correspondent; 10:30 India Now; 11:00 Grand Designs; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Call The Midwife; 2:00 Poldark; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:55 Long Lost Family; 4:40 Tenable; 5:30 Hard Quiz; 6:00 The Drum; 7:00 ABC News; 7:30 7.30; 8:00 Space 22; 8:30 The Family Court Murders; 9:30 Our Brain; 10:30 ABC Late News; 10:45 The Business; 11:00 Four Corners; 11:45 Media Watch; 12:05 Vera; 1:35 Poldark

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6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 My Neighbor's Secret; 2:00 Police: Hour Of Duty; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia; 6:00 Seven News; 7:00 Home And Away; 7:30 Big Brother; 9:00 The Good Doctor; 10:00 The Rookie; 11:00 The Latest: Seven News; 11:30 The Resident; 12:30 Black-ish; 2:00 TBA; 4:00 NBC Today; 5:00 Seven Early News; 5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 1:45 Garden Gurus Moments; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 6:00 Nine News; 7:00 A Current Affair; 7:30 Celebrity Apprentice Australia; 9:10 Matt Wright's Wild Territory; 10:10 Nine News Late; 10:40 Law & Order; 11:30 Murdered By Morning; 12:20 Tipping Point; 1:10 The Rebound; 1:30 Tv Shop -Home Shopping; 4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory; 4:30 A Current Affair; 5:00 Nine News Early Edition; 5:30 Today

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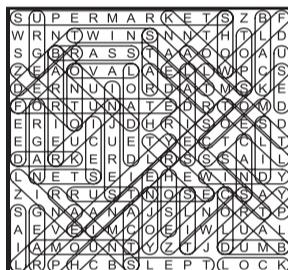
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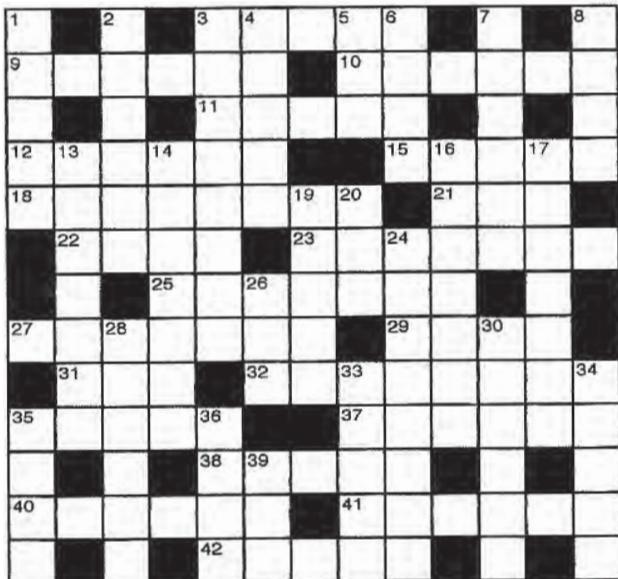
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Last Week's Solution



Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Brief
 - Royal residence
 - Polite
 - Scope
 - Arachnid
 - Composition
 - Moved to another country to live
 - Number
 - Those people
 - Scroll-shaped
 - Parted
 - Type of cheese
 - Roman emperor
 - Night before
 - Discolouring
 - Facade
 - Epistle
 - Fire crime
 - Capital of Austria
 - Rating of motor fuel
 - Cutting implement



- DOWN**
- Sudden convulsion
 - Snow vehicle
 - Screached
 - Vital organ
 - Warm covering
 - Woody plant
 - Breed of hound
 - Repudiate
 - Jug
 - City in Germany
 - Pupil

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



- Windflower
- Turn inside out
- Beetle
- Clemency
- Duct
- Educes
- Liturgy
- Stand-offish
- Avarice
- Number
- Armoured vehicle
- Took part in a race

ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)

A favourable aspect to Neptune later in the week will give your powers of intuition a boost. A subtle sign will tell you everything that you need to know about a new colleague. **Romance.** Your positive energy will help to draw the right person to you. You mustn't be too passive: make a move when the opportunity is presented to you!

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)

You have a lot on your mind at the moment and need some guidance from somebody whom you can trust. **Romance.** Calm down and give yourself a chance to take things easy for a while. You have been under a lot of stress recently and need to relax.

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)

Do your best to avoid a dispute which doesn't really affect you. You might be a little tense at the moment and could easily damage your relationship with an important person in your life. **Romance.** A positive aspect to Mercury at the beginning of the week will help to improve communication with your partner.

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)

You won't be feeling very sociable at the moment: you may even feel like avoiding some of your friends for a while. **Romance.** A difficult aspect to Mars later in the week could make you irritable at times. If you are able to use your extra energy in a positive way you will achieve a lot.

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)

You might be a little impractical at times. Getting into a difficult situation later in the week will be an important lesson for you. **Romance.** At times you may feel that you are not clear exactly what it is that your partner expects from you. Don't be afraid to ask the right questions - you may be surprised by the answers!

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)

A strange dream later in the week may surprise you. Try to remember the details, as they will help to guide you over the coming weeks. **Romance.** Your partner may seem to be a little more critical than usual at the moment. Do your best not to get upset, but make sure that you stick to your limits.

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)

Your powers of observation will be especially strong at the moment. So long as you are subtle you will get what you want. **Romance.** A recent change in your relationship will have a positive aspect as well as a negative aspect. It will be a while before you can see a complete picture.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)

Your relationship with your colleagues may be a little strained. You won't be feeling quite as sociable as usual, and will appreciate the chance to spend time by yourself. **Romance.** A chance remark may not be quite as negative as it seems. Make sure you understand the context before you react.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)

So long as you can take the rough with the smooth all will be well. Don't try to stop a change which is inevitable, however, as you will not succeed. **Romance.** An original approach will help to make a positive impression with a person whom you are strongly attracted to.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)

A positive aspect to Mercury early in the week will help you to focus your thoughts on an area of your life which needs some attention. This will be a good time to make some positive changes. **Romance.** You will have a lot of extra energy at the moment.

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)

Conflict with other members of your family needs to be resolved before it escalates. Listen to what everybody has to say and do your best not to take sides. **Romance.** Your partner may be a little over-sensitive to criticism at the moment. This is not a good time to change habits which have become deeply engrained.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)

A positive aspect to Jupiter will give your confidence a boost towards the end of the week. You will want to make your own decisions, and won't appreciate being told what to do by other people. **Romance.** A phone call will clarify your feelings towards a new person in your life.

SUDOKU No.378

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

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

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

Level of Difficulty:

Medium

Solution No. 377

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BUDDY BUNYIP BIRTHDAY LIST



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

Adelle Vallelonga - 28/5/11

Interested in appearing on Buddy's Birthday list?
Contact: Murray Pioneer
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Community made Berri Easter a success

ELYSSA THURMER
Berri Traders member

WELL, Easter was just over a month ago, and the 2022 Berri Easter Markets and free breakfast sponsored by 5RM and Berri Rotary were a great success.

We had about 600-700 people attend the morning's events, with such a beautiful day adding to this very popular celebration.

All stall holders attending on the day were happy with the morning, and already three have committed to the event next year.

The fashion parade was a huge success. Donna Safralidis compered the show, being thrown in at the last minute, and she was exceptional.

We thank those that volunteered their time in parading the clothes from Salvos and Cottage Road. Models on the morning – ranging from six to over 80 years old – had an absolute ball.

Thank you to Hentschke Transport for the truck that set the stage for the morning so we could showcase local talents Velvet Glove and The Bower Birds.

A popular children's performance by Simon and Mr P from the Berri Church of Christ was enjoyed by both the children and adults alike, bringing to the crowd the real meaning of Easter.

Thank you to Kiwi the Clown, Emma Face



Kiwi the Clown with the Easter Bunny at the 2022 Berri Easter Markets earlier this year. PHOTOS: supplied

Painting and Easter Bunny for appearing. The children were delighted by their appearances and face painting was a huge success again this year.

We would like to say a huge thankyou to our 2022 sponsors, ensuring that the Easter Carnival was able to go ahead: Berri Barmera Council, Berri Hotel, Berri Riverside Caravan Park, Roly's Automotive, Riverland Funerals, EKM Accounting, Ray White Berri/Barmera/Loxton, Rosenthal Automotive, Greg Beech Freight, Riverland Steel, Andrew and Dale,



Nicola Centofanti MLC at the fashion parade held as part of the markets.

Riverland Health Foods, Berri Newsagency, Body Essentials by Cilla.

Pharmacists welcome SA vaccine move for kids

THE Pharmaceutical Society of Australia's (PSA) SA branch has welcomed news that pharmacist immunisers in SA can now administer

influenza vaccines to children aged five and over.

PSA SA branch president, Robyn Johns said last week's announcement would

"significantly improve vaccine access for young people across SA". "Influenza vaccinations are as important as ever this year..." she said.



Girl Guide Grace, Girls Guides SA Berri official Diana Sully, Girl Guides Adela and Amelia, with Berri Hotel's Jeremy Sweet and Big River Golf & Country Club's Penny Tastanellis, after the local group was presented with \$1500 as an inaugural recipient of a donation through the Eat Local and Support Local initiative. PHOTO: supplied

Dine out and support Berri's local groups

RIVERLAND community groups have been urged to volunteer for a rewards program driven by dining out.

The Eat Local and Support Local initiative is being run by the Berri Hotel and Big River Golf & Country Club, and offers patrons a chance to support worthwhile community causes.

Launched earlier this year, the program allows diners to vote for one of three community groups each time they order a meal.

At the end of each quarter, \$1500 is donated to the community group with the most votes across the two venues, \$800 to the runner-up and \$700 to the third-placed group.

Bonus votes are available when diners order dishes that have been prepared using Riverland produce, with both venues having recently introduced a range of locally sourced 'specials' to menus.

The initiative is open to any not-for-profit group supporting the people of Berri that welcomes participants from all corners of the local community.

The first three groups to benefit from the new initiative are Girl Guides SA Berri, Berri & Barmera Little Athletics, and Berri Primary School-Riverland School Sports.

"Girl Guides SA Berri is a non-profit group, run exclusively by volunteers," said

Julie Ahrens, of Girl Guides SA Berri.

"Donations and sponsorship from local businesses allow us to continue our work to engage and benefit the local community. We are very thankful to Berri Hotel and Big River Golf & Country Club for allowing our girl guides to benefit from this great program."

Chair of Berri Hotel Group, Paul Stewart, extended an invitation to Berri's other community groups to express their interest for the remainder of the 12-month period. Interested groups should contact Berri Hotel Group by email (info@berrihotel.com.au).

the quiz



- Who was the lead singer of the Police?
- What neutral country was invaded by Germany in 1914 and again in 1940?
- What pseudoscience tries to explain human events by the movements of the planets and constellations?
- What major European city is named after the goddess of wisdom?
- What are helium, neon, argon, krypton, xenon, and radon known as?
- In what English county would you find Sherwood Forest?
- What soft drink, invented in Texas, claims to have 23 flavours?
- Three men in a tub sailed out to sea, one was a baker, one was a butcher. Who was the other?
- What type of wood rhymes with "chic"?
- What type of machine is also known as a one-armed bandit?
- What country does Haagen-Dazs ice cream come from?
- What actress has adopted children from Cambodia, Ethiopia, and Vietnam?
- What fictional barbarian was portrayed by Arnold Schwarzenegger?
- What is the term for a person who eats no meat except for seafood?
- What is the name for a lounge where performers wait before going onstage?
- Which former Australian cricketer died in car crash recently?
- What seed, commonly found on muffins and bagels, can cause one to fail a drug test?
- What is the name for water that has been blessed by a priest?
- What war was the subject of "The Iliad"?
- What is a polygraph test more commonly known as?

Answers on page 33

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QUIZ MASTER
TOM TRIFONOFF

BONUS QUESTION: Who is the only person to have five stars on Hollywood's Walk of Fame-one for each of movies, TV, theatre, radio and music? Answer in next week's Quiz.

LOOKING BACK AT 130 YEARS



Bet Leads To a Bike Race

Paringa Hotel bar patrons ran their own Tour de France bicycle race on Monday afternoon.

A few beers, a game of darts and a larger-than-life story led barman Geoff Quin challenging Craig 'Snow' Rice to a race – from the Renmark Hotel to the Paringa Hotel.

Patrons from the Paringa Hotel, despondent after Paringa's loss in the Independent A Grade game on Saturday, livened up the challenge with about \$500 in

side bets.

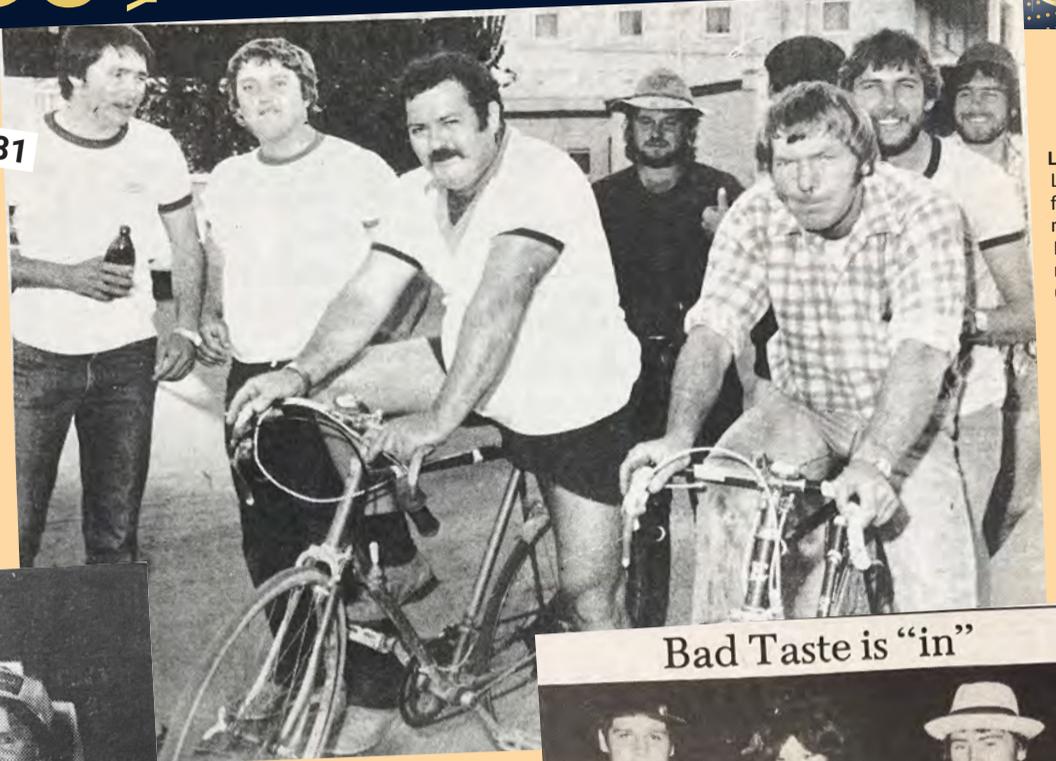
Rice was named the favourite at 7 to 10, with Quin even.

A quite crowd left their space at the Renmark Hotel's back bar late Monday afternoon to witness the "great race".

The boys were soon off and the 36-year-old Quin surprised everyone by running out an easy winner.

Rice, for his troubles, got a bucket of water over his head to cool off.

1981



LEFT: Lining up for the big race are Renmark residents, Geoff Quin, left, and Craig 'Snow' Rice. Some of their supporters are pictured standing behind them.



1982

LEFT: A jubilant Berri Estates team celebrate their win, at the Riverland Wine Options game, at the Renmark Hotel on Tuesday night. They are from left, John Pendrigh, Ian McKenzie, Kym Milne and Rick Scott.



Bad Taste is "in"

1983

ABOVE: Bad taste was the name of the game at a party held in Monash on Saturday night to celebrate the 21st birthdays of twins Neville and Trevor Henwood. In the right gear for the occasion were, from left, Rick Young, of Monash, Mary Kregar, of Winkie, and Andrew Viney, of Berri.



1996

ABOVE: Three locals, back to front, Haidyn Dunn, of Waikerie, Wayne Kiely, of Monash, and Graham Parker, of Berri, who was also the overall winner of the sports class, led SA to victory in the teams event at the national sports and two-seater gliding championships at Renmark last week.



1983

ABOVE: Enjoying a refreshing cool drink at the Berri Blue Light disco on Saturday night were, Renmark teenagers, Michelle Rankin, Jayne Milne, Tania Walker and Natalie Murphy.



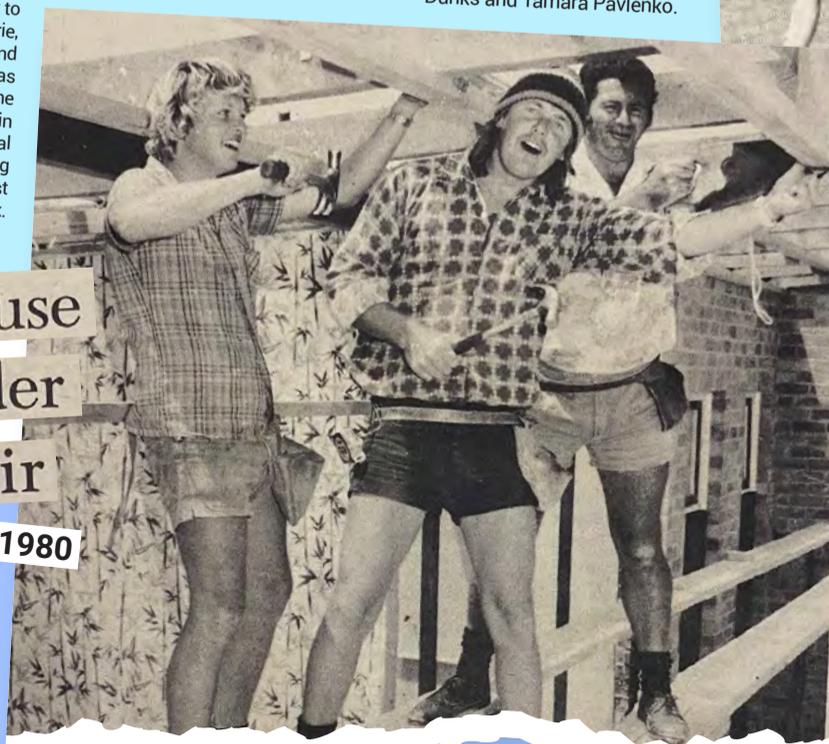
1983

RIGHT: Stepping out in style after winning a gold medal are the members of the Riverette Midget marching girls team. From left, Vanessa Gaylard, Charmain Williams, Cassandra Lynch, Joanne Pavlenko, Rene McFee, Linda Kohler, Anne-Marie Schilling, Natasha McGregor, Kelly Dunks and Tamara Pavlenko.

Roadhouse under Repair

1980

RIGHT: Nailing up the rafters of the Golden Fleece, Renmark, are C. O. Juncken employees, from left, Brian McFarlane, of Renmark, Ken Best, of Barmera, and Mike Owens, of Monash.



2001

Enjoying lunch at the Berri Tavern on Mother's Day were Craig and Naomi Wutke, of Monash, with children Jaidan, 2, and Ashlea, 4.

Fears district-wide tourism body will neglect Morgan

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

MID Murray Council is establishing a Mid Murray Heritage and Maritime Committee to promote and maintain its historical and maritime assets, however at least one council member has concerns with the plan.

The new section 41 committee replaces the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism board and the Mannum Dock Museum Board, which were also section 41 committees.

However, Mid Murray councillor and Eyre Ward representative, John Forrester, is concerned Morgan will be neglected following the board's disbandment in March.

Cr Forrester, the board's former chairperson, claimed the council's decision to establish the Mid Murray Heritage and Maritime Committee would mean less attention for Morgan's historical tourism sites.

Cr Forrester believes council's decision to form a district-wide tourism committee was due to him repeatedly raising concerns about the condition of Morgan's historical assets and buildings.

"I believe it is about the issues I kept raising about Morgan with council every two months," he said.

Cr Forrester told The Murray Pioneer last

week he had been raising concerns about the condition of Morgan's historical assets and buildings for the past three and a half years.

He is especially concerned about the condition of Morgan's former railway station buildings and railway carriages.

Termites have also been found in the Morgan Craft Shop building, while the town's former railway ticket office and the historic railway carriages need to be repainted.

Cr Forrester said he expressed his concerns about the plans to disband the Morgan organisation at previous Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism board meetings.

He fears forming a section 41 tourism committee with Mannum will mean the Morgan community's calls for ratepayer-owned heritage assets to be maintained will continue to be ignored.

Mid Murray Council CEO Ben Scales said the Mid Murray Heritage and Maritime Committee's role would be to drive the strategic direction of council's maritime and heritage assets.

He said under the committee, key operations groups would be established in both Morgan and Mannum, to look after historical assets in both towns, which in Morgan included both the PS Canally and



Mid Murray councillor John Forrester wants Morgan's historic railway site to be repaired and treated for termites. PHOTO: Christine Webster

Morgan Museum.

"The committee has been put in place to make sure we are utilising volunteers and the knowledge and experience of the people involved," Mr Scales said.

"We want to really strategically drive and

look after the historical and maritime assets across the whole area.

"They need to have passion and commitment for the maritime and heritage assets across the district, whether that be in Morgan or Mannum."

Waikerie Cancer Council fundraiser today

WAIKERIE community members are being encouraged to raise money for Cancer Council SA by taking part in a Biggest Morning Tea at the town's bowling club today.

Waikerie breast cancer survivor Maureen Howell co-ordinates the event each year and prepares it with a

group of friends who are also cancer survivors or whose family members have had cancer.

"I am repaying my gratitude to the Cancer Council by organising these morning teas," she said.

Supermarkets in the town have donated cakes and bread to today's event.

Ms Howell said people attending can purchase raffle tickets and take part in a spinning wheel event to raise funds. She said the Waikerie community has donated prizes for the event.

The morning tea begins at 10am and entry is \$5.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER



BIGGEST MORNING TEA: Jan Gaeta (left), Sue Short, Dot Kleinig, Cheryl Davies, Maureen Howell and Pauline Kalms at last year's Biggest Morning Tea event at the Waikerie Bowling Club. The event is on again today.

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THIS will be an extra busy week as we acknowledge and support as many of the Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for cancer research events that we can. We give thanks to the many groups throughout our region that year after year continue to do so. Many of our readers have already made reservations for those to be held this week.

If you cannot attend one of this week's events, then this one may interest you. A Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer fundraiser will be held at the Riverfront Art Gallery, 92 Nitschke Road, at the Good Hope Landing home of Liz and Clint Frankel, on Friday, June 3, from 10.30 am until 12 noon.

Attendees can take in the views from the deck and check out the artwork in the studio. Entry is \$10 per person. Proceeds from all gallery purchases on the day will be donated to the Cancer Council. The event will include a morning tea of freshly baked goodies and a cuppa and /or a glass of bubbles, plus raffles and prizes. Bookings are limited so please RSVP (phone 8589 3132 or email art@frankel-glassandbooks.com.au.) If you are unable to attend please donate by going to the official fundraising page (<https://www.biggestmorn->

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH GWEN WEBBER



gwenwebber21@gmail.com

ingtea.com.au/fundraisers/lizfrankel/biggest-morning-tea-sa).

Like so many families that have been profoundly touched by cancer we give thanks to Liz and Clint Frankel for this special event.

Most roads on Sunday led to Loxton as the Riverland region paid tribute to one of our most favourite sons, legendary Russell Ebert, who gave so much to others. The testimonial football matches at Loxton will be great memories for those who were there watching, alongside Russ's loved ones, and for those who played in those games. We each have our special memories of Russell. Mine are with the Mighty River Run. We always had a chat when the boats arrived at Waikerie. It was via the commitment to the Novita Children's Services fundraising committees in our region that our members became aware of Russell's involvement. Our thoughts are with his family.

Thanks to those who

have attended the Waikerie Districts Historical Society's successful SA History Festival event celebrating 100 years of Girl Guides in Waikerie. The reaction from those who have attended has been overwhelming and appreciative with so many memories being re-lived. Many of the former Waikerie girls returned and enjoyed what they saw in the display. Thanks to Nippy's for fruit juices which we gave to visiting Waikerie Scouts and Guide groups from Berri and Barmera.

We are looking forward to seeing again this week in Berri the embroidered artwork designed and made by Riverland Girl Guides from all towns in 1988 that has been displayed previously at the Chaffey Theatre and the Festival Theatre Adelaide. The display of Berri, Our Town Our Stories, will be at the Berri Town Hall this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Our thoughts are with those who are unwell and we trust that all will be better as each day comes.

Quote of the week:
"The life we want is not merely the one we have chosen and made. It is the one we must be choosing and making."

- Wendell Berry

The declared weed African boxthorn is taking advantage of the recent cooler weather and moisture across the Riverland. It is looking green and healthy, which offers the ideal time for control as the weed is easily seen.



Spotlight on controlling African boxthorn weed

THE Riverland's cool, damp weather means a declared weed has been thriving, but has also exposed itself to be controlled.

The African boxthorn will currently look green and healthy, which offers "the ideal time" for control as the weed is easily seen, according to Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board's Riverland district manager Hannah Spronk.

Ms Spronk said the season change and different weather conditions dictate what plants grow and weeds are no different.

She said African boxthorn remains a focus pest weed for control in priority locations across the region.

"Infestations left uncontrolled can invade roadsides and native vegetation," Ms Spronk said.

"Their thorns can be rather nasty if you get too close, and the plants can provide shelter for pest animals such as foxes and rabbits..."

"While probably not their first choice, when there aren't too many other options around the small red berries of the African boxthorn offer refuge for fruit fly. This supports the fruit fly to stay long enough in our environment to attack other fruit crops.

"Roadsides and properties are a priority, especially any heavily infested areas and those with remnant native vegetation. Each winter district staff work with landholders and contractors on control in priority areas, and while the majority of efforts are effective, there are always new plants sneaking into the landscape.

"Now is the time to follow up and do targeted control of any new plants or regrowth."

Ms Spronk said district officers were always looking for any declared weeds that may need control work.

The most effective time to control African boxthorn – declared for control under the Landscape South Australia Act (2019) – in the Riverland is generally during the cooler, wetter months while the plant is actively growing.

This will improve the uptake and effectiveness of herbicide if used, and will be easier to manually remove plants with damp soil.

For advice on identification and control options or assistance with other pest plant or animal issues, landholders are encouraged to contact the Riverland Landscape Board office in Berri (phone 8580 1800).

Storage levels

DARTMOUTH DAM
Current storage: 93%
This time last month: 93%
This time in 2021: 64%

HUME DAM
Current storage: 88%
This time last month: 86%
This time in 2021: 45%

LAKE VICTORIA
Current storage: 51%
This time last month: 54%
This time in 2021: 40%

MENINDEE LAKES
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Berri Barmera COUNCIL

BERRI HARD WASTE COLLECTION

A Hard Waste Collection is fast approaching, and Council is now encouraging residents to organise their hard waste in preparation of collection and disposal.

WHEN DO I PUT MY ITEMS OUT?
Wednesday 1 June – Sunday 5 June 2022

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?
Individuals who reside within the Berri township area. *conditions apply

NEED MORE INFO?
Brochures with further information will be sent via post to Berri residents in the upcoming weeks. The brochure will also be uploaded to the Council website.

NOTE:
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For further information please visit the council website at:
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Riverland DINGHY CLUB
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WATER TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS RENMARK SATURDAY 28 MAY 2022

Notice is given that pursuant to Section 26 of the Harbours and Navigation Act 1993, Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) has granted an Aquatic Activity Licence to the Riverland Dinghy Club Inc to conduct Dinghy Racing on the River Murray at Renmark as follows:

An area of water on the River Murray at Renmark 100 meters downstream of the Woolshed Brewery Cutting to 100 meters up stream of the Box Creek entrance, including Box Creek, and Amazon Creek between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm on Saturday 28 May 2022.

An access corridor with a maximum speed of 4 knots will be maintained in the mainstream of the river to allow nonparticipating vessels passage through the area between events.

For safety reasons, vessels and persons other than those participating in the events are prohibited from entering the above area of water between 8.00 am and 4.00 pm on Saturday 28 May 2022.

Riverland Dinghy Club Inc RZ11241

Riverland Christian School Incorporated Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 31ST MAY, 7.30PM
Berri Church of Christ
1025 Old Sturt Hwy, Berri SA 5343

CALLING ALL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS TO ACTION

We strongly encourage all members to attend this highly important meeting, correspondence from the College will follow in the coming days.

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the quiz answers

1. Sting
2. Belgium
3. Astrology
4. Athens
5. Noble gases
6. Nottinghamshire
7. Dr Pepper's
8. Candlestick maker
9. Teak
10. Poker/slot machine
11. USA
12. Angelina Jolie
13. Conan
14. Pescatarian
15. Green Room
16. Andrew Symonds
17. Poppy seeds
18. Holy water
19. Trojan War
20. Lie detector test

BONUS QUESTION ANSWER
(from last week): The patron saint of televisions and computer screens is Saint Clare.



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- Internal and external warehouses to ensure export consignments are loaded on time and comply with protocol requirements

The key functions of the role include:

- Collaborate and communicate with internal and external stakeholders involved in export shipments
- Coordinate container pickups, releases and arranging late receivals
- Track shipping costs including additional costs incurred such as late receival fees and deliveries not meeting country requirements
- Liaise with sheds and freight forwarders in relation to container loading and distribution
- Daily support to sales staff
- General assistance such as administration support for the Renmark office

ABOUT YOU

The ideal candidate will have:

- Knowledge of shipping and transport operations
- Intermediate level Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook
- BSM experience desirable

ABOUT COSTA

Costa is Australia's leading grower, packer and marketer of premium quality fresh fruit and vegetables. From this market leading position, we work incredibly hard to keep improving the quality of our produce and the service we deliver to our consumers. Our produce is supplied to all major Australian supermarket chains, as well as independent grocers and a range of food industry stakeholders. We also export to Asia, North America and Europe. People are the heart of Costa. Our employees enjoy some of the best benefits and conditions in the industry. From competitive pay to health, wellbeing, and further learning and development opportunities. No matter the role, you'll always benefit from a caring environment that encourages and supports you to thrive, grow and connect.

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RZ11237



Chief Executive Officer

Part time, flexible role

Lead innovation to deliver industry services. Regional Victorian location.

A unique opportunity in a highly regarded national organisation. Dried Fruits Australia (DFA) based in Mildura, Victoria is the national peak industry body representing growers, processors and stakeholders for the Australian dried grape industry. DFA aims to increase the profitability, productivity and sustainability of the dried grape industry. DFA represent the interests of the dried grape value chain to the community, State & Federal Governments, and other relevant organisations on a range of issues including research & development, biosecurity, marketing, sustainability, water policy and key factors facing members and the industry in general.

About the role:

DFA is seeking a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to provide effective leadership and management to:

- Inspire our collaborative small team
- Deliver and maintain member services
- Represent the organisation to members and the community.

The CEO will also:

- Act as a representative of DFA and the dried grape industry in various forums including the National Farmers' Federation ? Hort Council, Plant Health Australia, Hort Innovation and any others as required
- Collaborate with other Peak Industry Bodies on national and state policy developments and plant health issues as required.
- Support the Chair and Board in ensuring sound corporate governance and setting strategic directions.

The Person:

Ideally professionally qualified or experience in horticulture or agriculture, economics, marketing or other relevant discipline. Horticultural or agricultural policy experience preferred.

For more detailed information please see a copy of the position description which can be found on the website:
<https://www.driedfruitsaustralia.org.au/applications-open-dried-fruits-australia-ceo/>

Applications will be received via email to mark@driedfruitsaustralia.org.au or addressed to:
Chairman, Dried Fruits Australia
PO Box 5042, Mildura, Vic, 3500
Applications close on Friday 17, June 2022

RZ11239



CLINICAL CARE CO-ORDINATOR

.6 FTE (Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday)

The Clinical Care Co-ordinator is the primary resident admission Registered Nurse and makes residents and their representatives feel welcome and at home at Riverview whilst providing ongoing support to residents and their families to optimise resident health and wellbeing.

Is part of the Riverview Clinical Management team and is the Riverview Wound Care expert responsible for wound care plans, reviews and education of other staff on best practice wound care practices, conducts weekly wound reviews, supports Nurses in relation to incident management and weights ensuring appropriate interventions are in place and effective, coordinates referrals as required.

The Clinical Care Co-ordinator is an experienced clinician who mentors, supports, and assists Registered and Enrolled Nurses to optimise resident health and wellbeing. In consultation with the DON, sources, and coordinates education programs to ensure the delivery of best practice clinical care.

The Clinical Care Co-ordinator role is also required to support and assist the Director of Nursing and work with the Clinical Management team to optimise the health and wellbeing of residents.

A copy of the Job and Person Specification can be found on our website under About Us, Employment Opportunities.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON
Sunday 29th May 2022 and can be emailed to hr@riverviewresthome.com.au

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BAKERS ASSISTANT RENMARK

We are currently seeking a Bakers Assistant to join our team with the possibility of a Baking Apprenticeship for the right applicant.

As a Bakers Assistant, you will receive on the job, ongoing training and development in the baking industry. The position would be predominantly day shift, although some afternoon shifts may be required.

Your key roles and responsibilities will include:

- Working with other bakers to ensure a high standard of product quality and range is achieved
- Excellent organisational and communication skills
- Achieving a high standard of cleanliness and safety

If you have a passion for cooking and baking or have a real interest in learning this field of work then send a cover letter and a resume marked job position to: greg@renmarkbakehouse.com.au



Painter/Handyperson

Position required on a casual basis over the next 5 months to paint the outside of buildings and cabins.

Previous preparation and painting experience preferred.

Required midweek hours only.

Please send resume to: manager@big4renmark.com.au

RENMARK CHILDREN'S CENTRE INC

Integrated service offering long day childcare and preschool.

Positions available for:
ADMIN SUPPORT OFFICER
15 hours per week

Further information and Job and Person Specifications available for collection from the Centre.

CASUAL QUALIFIED CHILDCARE WORKERS
Certificate 3 or Diploma Level

Please submit your current resume with a cover letter to: Director, Renmark Children's Centre 204 Eighteenth Street, Renmark 5341 or by email dl.6541_leaders@schools.sa.edu.a

To be received by Friday 10 June 2022



Seeking hand pruners for the months of June, July and August.

Vineyards to be pruned are located in Barmera and Loveday.

Pay is above award rates and good working conditions are provided.

Call Shelley on 0410699640

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Shop Assistant

The Country Bakehouse - Loxton, is looking for a shop assistant to join our team.

- ✓ Up to 30 hours per week
- ✓ Available Weekdays & Saturdays
- ✓ Available to work early morning or late afternoon
- ✓ Team player
- ✓ Highly motivated & energetic
- ✓ Loves people
- ✓ Enjoys a fast-paced environment
- ✓ Shows attention to detail
- ✓ Flexible

To Apply

Email your resume to Julie: cbake@riverland.net.au

Applications close 5pm Tuesday May 31st 2022



Administrator - Loxton

- Long term career opportunity
- Loxton location
- Exciting and supportive environment

About us

We are Viterra, we connect Australian growers with domestic and international consumers through our world-leading, fully integrated agriculture network.

Viterra operates a storage and handling network of strategically located sites and port terminals spanning key growing regions in South Australia and western Victoria. We receive growers' grain into our network, store it and move it to international and domestic markets.

Our unique culture empowers our employees to think innovatively and develop their careers in an exciting and supportive environment.

About the role

Viterra is seeking a permanent part time administrator to join our regional office in Loxton. Reporting to the Senior Administrator, this role will ensure all data is recorded and processed accurately and timely, whilst administration tasks are completed efficiently.

Duties

- Responsible for efficient and courteous customer service, including telephone answering
- Processing accounts and setting up purchase orders in SAP
- Providing effective administrative support for day to day running of the office
- Effective maintenance of all electronic and manual filing and record systems within the office
- Professional solutions focussed approach to internal and external customers
- Entry of training records into VETtrak
- Stock data entry
- Administration process of Harvest Employee Recruitment

About you

- Microsoft Office suite, advanced skills in Excel and Word desirable
- Computer literacy and the ability to learn new internal systems
- Excellent written and interpersonal communication skills
- Professional customer service experience
- Ability to work in a busy environment and multi-task

Benefits

As well as providing an empowering culture, Viterra promotes a range of employee benefits including:

- Employee assistance programme - access to confidential and free support
- Corporate health insurance funds, financial services and gym membership discounts

How to apply

To apply or to see a detailed position description, please visit the careers page of our website viterra.com.au, or for further information please contact Senior Administrator Ruth Taylor on 8114 2762.

Applications close **Sunday 5 June 2022.**

Please note we are not accepting recruitment agency applications at this time.

GENERAL LABOURER

Located in Berri

Riverland Fencing Contractors are looking for a labourer for up to 38 hours a week on a casual basis. Experience in fencing, paving and retaining walls is desired, but not essential.

There will be a 3 month trial period and a drivers licence is essential.

Must be available for immediate start.

Phone Jim on 0438 255 073 to arrange an interview.



APPRENTICE PANEL BEATER - LOXTON

We are seeking to recruit a new or existing Apprentice Panel Beater within a well-respected and established Crash Repairer in Loxton. Working in a great environment, you will have the opportunity to achieve a Cert III in Automotive Body Repair Technology.

If you are an existing Apprentice in this field or see yourself as an Apprentice or a School Based Apprentice, we would love to hear from you.

Please call Jess 0458 053 331 for more information.



Construction office based in Berri with works co-ordinated in South Australia and interstate.

Operations Assistant

The Operations Assistant plays a vital role in bringing our works together.

From booking cranes for onsite work or assisting with client's needs,

To ensuring equipment is serviced in conjunction with industry standards and codes

They are a key contact between clients and contractors.

You will be responsible for:

- Customer service: you represent JMA in all crane hire and transport communications
- Team leadership and communication: you manage a small, but busy team
- Scheduling: client and site work and equipment maintenance.
- Logistic records: invoicing, service history, logbooks and purchase orders
- Maintenance: you understand equipment maintenance and have good working relationship with maintenance contractors.

Position description available at jmaeng.com.au/employment-opportunities

Contact Tony for a confidential chat on 0408 822 989 or tony@jmaeng.com.au



Grounds Assistant

Waikerie Lutheran Primary School is seeking an experienced grounds assistant to join our team. The position involves responsibility for maintenance of the school's grounds and facilities to ensure a safe, clean and visually appealing environment for the community.

The grounds assistant will work with the Finance team and report directly to the Principal.

This position encompasses the Key Outcome Areas of:

- Grounds Maintenance - Turf, Gardens, Grounds
- Capital Projects
- General Repairs and Property Maintenance

The successful candidate will be suitably experienced, will honour the Christian ethos and possess the ability to implement the School's values, policies, practices and objectives.

This is 15 hours per week.

Please contact Tania Fragnito, principal@wlps.sa.edu.au, to obtain a copy of the job description.

Applications consisting of a CV, cover letter addressing the Key Outcomes, and the names and contact details of three referees are to be emailed to principal@wlps.sa.edu.au by **5pm, 3 June 2022.**

Duties

- Responsible for efficient and courteous customer service, including telephone answering
- Processing accounts and setting up purchase orders in SAP
- Providing effective administrative support for day to day running of the office
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Applications close **Sunday 5 June 2022.**

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

Community Support Worker

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DIAMOND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



ROSENZWEIG, Neville and Maureen.

On Saturday, May 26, 1962 Neville Rosenzweig (Pyap) married Maureen Paschke (Waikerie) at St Paul's Lutheran Church, Lowbank.

With much love on your special day from your daughters, Erica, Julie and Teresa.

Son-in-laws Tim and Norman.

Grandchildren Simone, Zachery, Michael, Sarah, Lily, and partners.

DEATHS

HAMDORF, Valma.

To our beautiful grandma/great-nan, you will always be in our hearts and mind, always a kind and a loving woman who has been our role model over the years...

May you rest in peace.

Love from Dan, Leela, Anika and Blake. xxx

HAMDORF, Valma.

Taken from us too soon, we weren't ready to say goodbye.

Our hearts are broken, you were the most kindest and gentle grandma/great-nan and we were so lucky to have you in our lives.

Life will never be the same without you in it.

Until we meet again.

Love you always and forever.

Chad, Teresa, Sienna, Ezra and Oakley.

DEATHS



RULLO, Elvira.

Passed away peacefully at Berri Regional Hospital on Sunday, May 22, 2022.

Aged 89 years.

Loved wife of Serafino.

Loving mother and mother-in-law of Maria and Rick, Tony and Dianne, Lena, Peter and Tracy.

Loving nonna of Samuel, Sarah, Angela, Brandon, and Ryan.

"Our angel now in Heaven."

SCHWARTZKOPFF, Audrey Clare.

Passed away peacefully at Renmark Residential Aged Care on Friday, May 13, 2022.

Aged 88 years.

Loving wife of Ted (deceased).

Dearly loved mum of Millie, Ian, Rose, Julie, and Peggy.

Cherished nan of 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Sleeping peacefully.

Audrey was privately buried, with family present, in the Renmark Lawn Cemetery.

Riverland FUNERALS

Berri and Renmark 8582 1333 Member AFDA



DEATHS



SERAFIN, Valma Gwenneth.

Aged 86 years.

Passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones.

Loved wife of John (deceased).

Loving mother of David, Chris, Jenni, Angela, Jo, Anthony, Nikki and their families.

Much-loved nanna to 13 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Will be forever in our hearts and memories.

Now the angels have taken you home.



VOIGT, Leslie Clarence 'Les'.

Members of Loxton RSL Sub-Branch acknowledge the sad passing of our late life member, Les.

We pass our condolence onto his family.

Lest We Forget.



VOIGT, Leslie Clarence 'Les'.

Loxton RSL Sub-Branch Members attention is drawn to the passing of our late life member, Les Voigt.

We extend our condolences to his family.

President, R.I. Manuel, Secretary, L.S. Masters

Lest We Forget.

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DEATHS

WHELLUM, Elizabeth.

April 23, 1923.

Passed away peacefully at the Waikerie Hospital, on May 20, 2022.

Beloved wife of Joseph Whellum (deceased).

Dear Elizabeth, thank you for being part of our lives. You are a very special person, loved by your families in both Australia and Germany and by your many friends.

FUNERALS

POPE.

The relatives and friends of the late Glenda Pope are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service to be conducted entirely at the graveside in the Kingston-On-Murray cemetery, Setterburg Road, Kingston-On-Murray, on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 10.30am.

Riverland FUNERALS
Berri and Renmark 8582 1333 Member AFDA

RULLO.

The relatives and friends of the late Mrs Elvira Rullo are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service to be conducted at Saint Mary's Catholic Church, 8 Crawford Terrace, Berri on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 3pm.

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

Elvira's private committal service will be conducted at Two Wells at a later date.

Riverland FUNERALS
Berri and Renmark 8582 1333 Member AFDA

FUNERALS

SERAFIN, Valma Gwenneth.

Val's family and friends are respectfully informed that her funeral service will begin at 11am on Thursday, May 26, 2022 in the Waikerie Lutheran Church, 11 Cates Avenue, Waikerie, followed by a committal in the Waikerie Cemetery.

In the care of **SA Kleemann FUNERAL SERVICES** Waikerie | 8541 2743 Accredited Member Australian Funeral Directors Association

WHELLUM, Elizabeth.

Liz's family and friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service which will begin at 10.30am on Friday, May 27, 2022 in the SA Kleemann Funeral Chapel, 10 Cates Avenue, Waikerie.

This service will be followed by a private cremation.

In the care of **SA Kleemann FUNERAL SERVICES** Waikerie | 8541 2743 Accredited Member Australian Funeral Directors Association

IN MEMORIAM



NATRASS, Sharron.

9/11/1956 - 22/5/2018

Those special memories of you will always bring a smile. If only we could have you back for just a little while.

Then we could sit and talk again just like we used to do. You always meant so very much and always will do too.

The fact that you're no longer here will always cause us pain, But you're forever in our hearts until we meet again.

Love always, Neville, Josh, Ben, Kylie, Todd, Sahira, and Taylah.

IN MEMORIAM

PARKES, William 'Bill'.

31/1/1935 - 23/5/2017

I think I'll miss you forever, like the stars miss the sun in the morning skies.

We love you today, tomorrow, and always.

Love from Laurel, Sharon, Sean and your little squirt, Caitlin.

PROUD, Philip Craig.

23/1/1965 - 26/5/2017

Five years ago we had to say goodbye to you.

Not a day goes by when you aren't lovingly remembered and missed so much.

We were so privileged to have you as a husband and father and we will love you always.

Liz, Sam and Jessi, Abby, Adam and Sophie.

IN MEMORIAM



SPARKES, Peter.

26/5/1973 - 26/5/2013.

To no longer see your face breaks us every day.

So suddenly you were taken that we didn't get to say;

Just how much we love you and that you were our life. The hurt we felt when you passed, cut us like a knife.

We will never be complete again. We will never be free from this grief, a solid thing deep inside of us.

We wear a mask of coping but are in complete despair. We cannot mend what is broken, our hearts are beyond repair.

We will smile if we have to but that's just a mask, And we will say that we are okay, when people kindly ask.

But we cannot be happy, it is something that we lack, We will never be whole again for we cannot get you back.

Happy birthday Pete.

Love always Mum and Dad.

SPARKES, Peter.

Always on our minds. Forever in our hearts.

Love always, Jason, Sally, Jessie and Zoe.

SPARKES, Peter John.

Happy birthday to our Daddy for Thursday.

We wish you were here with us, and you'd be so proud of our daughters with what they have achieved so far in their lives.

Miss you everyday and you'll always be in our hearts.

So, on Thursday we'll come and celebrate your birthday with you.

Love from Charli and Jade.

DEATHS

HAMDORF, Valma.

Passed away peacefully in the ICU at Flinders Hospital on Saturday, May 21, 2022.

Aged 87 years.

Loved wife of Alf (deceased).

Devoted mum of Denise, David; Darryl and Greg (deceased).

Gone too soon, always in our hearts.

HAMDORF, Valma.

Grandma/great-nan we are so lucky to have had you in our lives.

Your strength, kindness and generosity will be remembered always.

We weren't ready for you to leave us, we wanted to add to the beautiful memories already made, but Heaven had other plans.

Now you are with Grandpa and Uncle Greg, we will miss and love you on earth, until we meet again.

Love Hayley, Simon, Chloe and Austin.

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IN MEMORIAM

SPARKES, Peter.
Our hearts still break, Pete, when we realise we will never see your contagious cheeky, shrewd smile and hear your joyful laugh. The world is a lesser place without you. Miss you every day. Forever 40.
Mick and Pauline.

TOPPERWIEN, Andrew.

14/10/1947 - 23/5/2020
It is hard to believe that it has been two years since you left us. Not a day goes by that you are not in our thoughts. Greatly missed by Cathy, Katrina and your loving grandchildren.

FOR SALE

ALUMINIUM bow ladders, 2 year guarantee, 3 leg picking ladders, Pinyon Engineering. Phone 85866057.

BOAT - 12ft Pelican on trailer. Canopy and safety equipment, new 15hp Yamaha used one tank of fuel, been shedded. Price \$4200. Phone 0428835837.

BOOKS - approximately 50 James Paterson books, approximately 30 assorted books and DVDs aswell. \$150 for the lot negotiable. Phone 0439272499.

CAMPER trailer, \$7500; chainsaw, \$1100; bow arrow, \$500. Negotiable. Phone 0498543982.



CARA LPG gas stove. Rarely used. Ex caravan. In immaculate condition. 51cms deep x 53cms wide x 60cms high. Any offer considered. Phone 0418823633.

CARAVAN Viscount Sea Breeze. 16ft 4in long. Poptop, awning, 2-way inverter Carrier airconditioner, double bed, new 3-way fridge with 3 years warranty, tools to suit. Always on blocks in shed. Ready to go. Registered until October. Price \$9500. Phone 0428835837.

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GARDEN sprayer, 30lt on wheels. 12v battery included. DC pump 3.8lt per minute. Excellent condition, rarely used. Property sold. \$270. Phone 0418823633.

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FOR SALE

LOUNGE chair. Rocking action, body massaging, legs and feet foot rest. Chair in very good order. \$250 (\$500 new). Phone Ken on 0409387606.

MERITS 4-wheel mobility scooter, model Fende, full suspension, secure and lockable compartment under seat, near new, 12volt socket for phone or GPS, high-back swivel seat, 30km range, 136 carry weight, excellent condition, can deliver. \$3400. Phone 0438253986.

ROSES - Brad's Roses. New arrivals of roses are now available. Phone 0417855014.

STORAGE - 24/7 keypad entry, CCTV and monitoring. Various site sizes available. Phone 0488050482. Renmark Central Storage.

WALNUTS - new season. \$70 per 10.5kg bag. Renmark North. Phone 0433244309.

MOTOR VEHICLES

FORD 2008 FG 1 tonner, e-gas, 8 years left on tanks, very good ute, mechanical A1, 3 months registration. S950AYJ. \$6500 ono. Renmark. Phone 0433244309.

SUBARU Liberty RX25 Sports, 2002, all-wheel drive. Excellent condition. Registration WTD271, price reduced, now \$5500 ono. 4 months registration remaining. Phone 0417882378.

TRACTORS AND MACHINERY



HARVESTER Flory, 1996. Almonds, pecans, walnuts - all nuts. Self-propelled pick-up/harvester in good working order with new pick-up belt, twin rod dirt chain worth \$15,000 alone. 5137hours. All up \$65,000. Phone 0419833517.

PACKING plant - Single phase. Previously used for sorting apricots and apples. 5 sizing bays. Price \$7500. Phone 0418853921.

PUBLIC NOTICES

ROYAL Flying Doctor Service raffle winners. 1. K. Datson - Waikerie. 2. Bernice Lemmey - Paringa. 3. Brent Wickham - Renmark. 4. Margaret Johnston - Wagga. 5. E. Mikolajek - Renmark.

GARAGE SALES

LOXTON - 3 Acacia Avenue. Saturday, May 28, from 8am. Lots of items. Many antique tools.

LOXTON North - 249 Edwards Road, open Friday, May 27, Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th. 10am - 4pm. Plants - just arrived. Proteas and leucadendrans. 20% off all shadehouse stock. Bales of straw \$5 each. Phone 85841205.

RENMARK Lions Club Fundraising Bazaar, undercover in the W.E Wood Pavilion, No. 2 oval, Renmark. Saturday, May 28, 8am - 12 noon. Lots of the usual bargains. Furniture, bric-a-brac and lots more. Something for everyone. Covid-19 government restrictions still apply. Be early and grab a bargain. BBQ and donuts will be available. EFT-POS available. Further information contact Colin 0419801996.

WANTED TO BUY

CANOPY fibreglass to fit a Ford BA 2003 model. Flat tray. Inside measurements 2170mm long, 1770mm wide. Lameroo. Phone 0400900082.

FOR HIRE



RIVERLAND Trailer Bins. You throw it - We tow it. For all your rubbish removal needs at competitive prices. Great alternative to skip bins, range of sizes available. Book a trailer bin today! Contact David 0400576230.

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GARDENER and Handyman. All types of gardening, pruning and lawn mowing. Happy to fix locks or doors, build or paint. A man that cares! Call to chat about what you would like done. Great prices and quotes. Past references available. Pensioner rates. Call Adrian 0448831169.

Riverland CHURCH NOTICES



BERRI | BARMERA
Sunday, May 29
Berri 11am Combined
Pastor Dean Mills
All Welcome
Phone 8582 1853

LOXTON
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 29
St Peter's 8.30am HC
10.30am HC
Concordia 10am
Lay reading
Myrla & New Residence 9am
Lay reading
New Residence
Bookpurnong 9am
Lay reading
Rest Home Wed, Jun 1
10.30am HC

Lutheran Ministry Centre
Phone 8584 5522
Pastor Darrin Kohrt
(Concordia and outlying)
Pastor Jason Sander
(St Peter's)

RENMARK | PARINGA
Sunday, May 29
Renmark 9am
Paringa 10.30am
All Welcome
Pastor Roland Adams
Phone 0460 300 492

WAIKERIE
Sunday, May 29
Waikerie 10am
Lowbank 8.45am
Ramco 8.45am
All Welcome
Phone 8541 2689

Catholic Church Mass Times

Our Lady of the River Catholic Parish
WEEKS 1, 3 & 5
Saturday
Renmark 6.30pm
Morgan 6.00pm
Sunday
Berri 9.00am
Loxton 11.00am
Waikerie 11.00am
Barmera 6.00pm

WEEKS 2 & 4
Saturday
Berri 6.30pm
Waikerie 6.00pm
Sunday
Renmark 9.00am
Morgan 9.00am
Barmera 11.00am
Loxton 6.00pm

Seventh-day Adventist Church
Riverland
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Bible Study 10-11am
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Pastor Andy Krause
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LOXTON
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10am
Darryl Knowling
Contact
Rev Linda Forsyth
0401 815 488

RENMARK
10am
Renmark Ave
8.30am
Renmark West
Rev Linda Forsyth
Phone 0401 815 488



Sunday, May 29
9am - Berri
St Alban's
9am - Barmera
St Edmund's
9am - Loxton
The Resurrection
9am - Renmark
St Augustine's
Contact:
Fr. David Patterson
8586 3288



1025 Old Sturt Highway
Sunday 10am
Ministers
Clinton and
Trish Wardle
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Riverland Volunteers



Lauren Collins (right) and Sonja Modlinski (left) put in another strong performance in the goal circle as Renmark solidified its spot on top of the Riverland A1 netball ladder. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Renmark alone at the top

RENMARK retained its mantle as the competition's team to beat when it defeated Barmera by 13 goals in last Friday's round of Riverland A1 netball.

The victory was marred by what looked to be a serious knee injury to star mid-courter Dani Woolford, with everyone in the netballing community hoping for the best.

Both sides went into the clash with notable absentees; Barmera missing key defender Khaleisha Barnett and Renmark without wing attack Shenae Rucioch.

The match was played like a grand final and the contest was hot early, with both sides looking to make an impact on the scoreboard.

Renmark pushed away to an early lead but its momentum was halted when Woolford went off injured in the second quarter.

Barmera took advantage and was able to reduce the deficit to just five goals at the main break, but Renmark stood up under pressure.

Renmark's defensive height proved difficult for Barmera to deal with, while down the other end the defending champions started to have it their own way.

Lauren Collins shot the lights out in a strong display, with her creativity inside the goal circle allowing her

team to get good looks at the ring.

Ashleigh Haigh and Tahlia Dillon put in strong showings for Barmera but it was not enough to topple Renmark, with the home side running out 13-goal victors.

Elsewhere, Loxton put Waikerie to the sword in a ruthless display, beating the A1 newcomers by 52 goals at the Precinct.

Leah Uren starred for the home side while Mackella Hogan shone in the goal circle, scoring 53 times in the win.

The young Waikerie side struggled to put a stop to the Loxton onslaught, with Chelsea Helbig and Alicia Curtis the best in a tough match.

Loxton North and Berri played out a tense match to finish off round five, with Loxton North emerging on top by 16 goals.

The scoreline failed to tell the story, with neither side giving an inch across the four quarters.

Loxton North got off to a flyer, piling in 21 goals in the opening term and it proved to be the difference between the two as Berri remained strong down the stretch.

Giorgia Whitehead continued her impressive form in the loss, while Ellie Thomas and Georgia Brown were best for Loxton North.

North will do battle with Barmera



Fleur Rowett filled in for the absent Shenae Rucioch in the wing attack position for Renmark.

next week in what should be an entertaining contest, while Berri travels to Waikerie as it aims to bounce back.

Loxton will be looking to become the first team to beat Renmark this season as it welcomes the reigning premier to The Precinct on Friday night.



Renmark will be without star player Dani Woolford for the foreseeable future, after the mid-court veteran suffered a knee injury on Friday night.



Tahlia Dillon (above) and Ashleigh Haigh (below) starred for Barmera in the side's 13-goal loss.



A1

RENMARK	V	BARMERA
RENMARK	16	30
BARMERA	9	25
BEST: Renmark - L. Collins, Z. Siviour.		Barmera - T. Dillon, A. Haigh.

LOXTON NORTH	V	BERRI
LOXTON NORTH	21	34
BERRI	10	20
BEST: Loxton North - E. Thomas, G. Brown.		Berri - G. Whitehead, C. Foulds.

LOXTON	V	WAIKERIE
LOXTON	17	32
WAIKERIE	6	11
BEST: Loxton - L. Uren, M. Hogan.		Waikerie - C. Helbig, A. Curtis.

A2

Renmark 56 d Barmera 34.
BEST: Renmark - T. Moldovan, K. Schumann. Barmera - M. Bourton, G. Tsoriotiotis.

Berri 48 d Loxton North 38.
BEST: Berri - A. Morgan, W. Peters. Loxton North - M. Pfeiler, N. Cappelluti.

Loxton 42 d Waikerie 25.
BEST: Loxton - T. Tickle. Waikerie - N. Afford, H. Wotton.

B1

Loxton 52 d Cobdogla 42.
BEST: Loxton - A. Wehrmuller, J. Hondow. Cobdogla - K. Hallam, K. Fletcher.

Loxton North 51 d Waikerie 42.
BEST: Loxton North - R. Williams. Waikerie - N. Liebich, D. Haynes.

B2

Barmera 39 d Renmark White 28.
BEST: Barmera - H. Manning, T. Cesaro. Renmark White - H. Manning, T. Cesaro.

Loxton 40 d Renmark Blue 34.
BEST: Loxton - E. Flavel, B. Hopper. Renmark Blue - H. Ranson, Z. Binder.

Loxton North 55 d Waikerie 36.
BEST: Loxton North - H. Baker, B. Charles. Waikerie - E. McDonald.

C1

Barmera 42 d Renmark Blue 31.
BEST: Barmera - P. Tsoriotiotis. Renmark Blue - A. Byrnes, T. Iskra.

Loxton 48 d Renmark White 27.
BEST: Loxton - C. Nitschke, T. Mitchell. Renmark White - Details not provided.

Berri 51 d Loxton north 25.
BEST: Berri - N. Bryan, K. Reid. Loxton North - I. Braddock, E. Kinnaird.

C2

Berri 39 d Loxton North 27.
BEST: Loxton North - J. Falland, S. Moore. Berri - Details not provided.

Renmark 44 d Waikerie 20.
BEST: Renmark - A. Cregan. Waikerie - S. Gore, A. Trandafil.

Monash 43 d Cobdogla 8.
BEST: Monash - S. Coulthard, H. Potts. Cobdogla - Details not provided.

17A

Barmera 42 d Renmark 42.
BEST: Barmera - P. Lawrie, G. Tsoriotiotis. Renmark - J. Crook, K. Schumann.

Berri 36 d Loxton North 17.
BEST: Berri - L. Fenwick, A. Morgan. Loxton North - L. Meaney, J. Inglis.

Loxton 41 d Waikerie 36.
BEST: Loxton - E. Gum. Waikerie - F. Arnold, C. Helbig.

17B

Renmark Blue 33 d Renmark White 31.
BEST: Renmark Blue - P. Martinson, P. Holmes. Renmark White - S. Thompson, A. Gabell.

Berri 43 d Loxton North 22.
BEST: Berri - S. Clemow, T. Clemow. Loxton North - A. Gilgen, J. Slade.

15A

Barmera 38 d Renmark 30.
BEST: Barmera - J. Kassulke, L. Moore. Renmark - L. Burnnard, K. Watkins.

Loxton 66 d Waikerie 14.
BEST: Loxton - K. King, A. Pannell. Waikerie - P. Steinert, A. Kafexholli.

Loxton North 52 d Berri 32.
BEST: Loxton North - S. Gibbs, M. Groth. Berri - S. Glen, A. Kargas.

15B

Renmark Blue 25 drew with Barmera 25.
BEST: Renmark Blue - M. Goody, M. Matulick. Barmera - C. Kollias, E. Jordan.

Renmark Purple 33 d Loxton North 23.
BEST: Loxton North - J. Haenen, L. Ferber. Renmark Purple - Details not provided.

Renmark White 68 d Cobdogla 12.
BEST: Renmark White - C. Hodgson, A. Teakle. Cobdogla - J. Pike, K. Molkner

13A

Loxton 51 d Waikerie 11.
BEST: Loxton - K. Rudd, A. Pannell. Waikerie - A. Arnold, C. Salt.

Loxton North 46 d Waikerie 12.
BEST: Loxton North - K. Harman, E. Abbott. Waikerie - C. Salt, K. Gore.

13B

Renmark 39 d Cobdogla 31.
BEST: Cobdogla - L. Bowers, M. Wegener. Renmark - Details not provided.

Berri 23 d Loxton North 16.
BEST: Berri - T. Glen, A. Heward. Loxton North - H. Terekia-Evans, M. Andriske.

13C

Renmark White 9 drew with Barmera 9.
BEST: Renmark White - L. Parrotta, E. Golding.

Renmark Blue 24 d Loxton 11.
BEST: Renmark Blue - G. Wegner, Z. Preece. Loxton - H. Jaeschke, K. Schutz.

Loxton North 31 d Waikerie 17.
BEST: Loxton North - K. Sheffield, S. Hall. Waikerie - L. Valentine, S. Salt.

11A

Barmera 26 d Renmark 17.
BEST: Barmera - J. Wright, G. Trigg. Renmark - A. Roberts, J. Webb.

Berri 42 d Loxton North 5.
BEST: Berri - A. Roberts, J. Webb. Loxton North - P. Bates, E. Williams.

Loxton 46 d Waikerie 8.
BEST: Loxton - M. Schwarz-da Silva, M. Thiele. Waikerie - P. Zarmbalas, I. Venning.

11B

Waikerie 18 d Loxton North 5.
BEST: Waikerie - N. Cartledge, S. Golding. Loxton North - E. Bradtke, S. Edwards.

Berri 22 d Loxton Tigers 0.
BEST: Berri - I. Knowling, E. Knight. Loxton Tigers - M. Roissetter, A. Curtis.

Loxton Black 25 d Renmark White 10.
BEST: Loxton Black - E. Hondow, L. Loxton. Renmark White - Details not provided.

Loxton Gold 12 d Cobdogla 10.
BEST: Loxton Gold - L. Rudd, L. Williams.

Renmark Blue 9 d Barmera 2.
BEST: Renmark Blue - J. Davidson, A. Lindner. Barmera - Details not provided.

Goals galore as home side shines in Renmark

RIVERLAND soccer fans were treated to a goal-fest as the back of the net bulged 55 times across nine games in Renmark last Sunday.

Of those 55 goals, 22 came in the open men's competition, with Renmark and Barmera recording comprehensive victories.

Barmera put in the most dominant performance of the season so far as it showed no mercy to Loxton, the final result 15-0.

Plenty of Barmera players were among the goals, none more so than Jacob Trudigan who found the back of the net on six occasions.

Loxton battled but to no avail, as Martin Barber, Jon Pentile and Josh Tsorotiotis recorded doubles of their own. Olympic continued their resurgence after an opening round defeat to Barmera, stringing together their second consecutive win, this time over Berri.

The home side was on the back-foot early but managed to hold up under pressure, before dynamic forward Chris Miller broke the game open.

Berri's defence was helpless as Miller poured in the goals, finishing with six of his own, with Hari Sahota chipping in with one to complete the 7-0 rout.

It capped off a strong day for Renmark, with the home side victorious in each of its five matches, including a 5-0 win in the women's division over Loxton.

Emily Jordan starred, netting a hat-trick, while Amelia Koumbarakos scored twice.

Son-of-a-gun Alex Cartwright was named best in Renmark's 5-1 win over Berri in the under 16s division, with Dimitri Hronopoulos the lone goalscorer for the travelling side.

Elsewhere in the under 16s, Barmera picked up a 3-0 win, with Nick Mitchell-Cocks, Ryan Verral and Jude Bourton all on the scoresheet.

This week sees the competition head to Loxton, with Renmark and Barmera to do bat-

tle again in the open men's competition in a round one rematch.

In the women's competition, Loxton will attempt to bounce back against Barmera.

RESULTS

MEN

Renmark 7 d Berri 0.

Best: Renmark - C. Miller, A. Cartwright. Berri - C. Ebert, D. Greer.

Goals: Renmark - C. Miller 6, H. Sahota.

Barmera 15 d Loxton 0.

Best: Barmera - J. Trudigan, T. Mitchell. Loxton - A. van Pamelan, T. O'Shaughnessy.

Goals: Barmera - J. Trudigan 6, M. Barber, J. Pentile, J. Tsorotiotis 2, N. Mitchell-Cocks, T. Mitchell, R. Verrell.

WOMEN

Renmark 5 d Loxton 0.

Best: Renmark - E. Jordan, J. Kahlon. Loxton - Details not provided.

Goals: Renmark - E. Jordan 3, A. Koumbarakos 2.

UNDER 16

Renmark 5 d Berri 1.

Best: Renmark - A. Cartwright, K. Curtis. Berri - K. Krendl, D. Hronopoulos.

Goals: Renmark - H. Dedes 2, A. Son, A. Cartwright, N. Adam. Berri - D. Hronopoulos.

Barmera 3 d Loxton 0.

Best: Barmera - S. Beams, N. Mitchell-Cocks. Loxton - S. Martin, J. Perram.

Goals: Barmera - N. Mitchell-Cocks, R. Verrall, J. Bourton.

UNDER 14

Renmark 4 d Berri 0.

Best: Renmark - J. Alexandropoulos, L. Drogaris. Berri - H. Lange, O. Muller.

Goals: Renmark - L. Ivanovic 3, B. Altundag.

Loxton 1 drew with Barmera 1.

Best: Loxton - D. Schwarz, L. Perre. Barmera - M. Bourton, A. Liddell.

Goals: Loxton - J. Perram. Barmera - M. Bourton.

UNDER 12

Renmark Black 6 d Renmark White 3.

Best: Renmark Black - K. Wenn, N. Meimetis. Renmark White - L. Brown, J. Curtis.

Goals: Renmark Black - N. Meimetis 4, J. Parker 2.

Renmark White - L. Brown, J. Curtis, I. Atsaves.

Loxton 2 drew with Berri 2.

Best: Loxton - C. Setchell, A. Dalzeil. Berri - K. Krendly, G. Maitianos.

Goals: Loxton - L. Perram 2. Berri - K. Krendl.



Renmark Olympic forward Chris Miller (right) was the standout performer in his side's 7-0 win over Thomas Pipinis' (left) Berri, in last Sunday's round of Riverland open men's soccer. PHOTOS: Hugh Schuitemaker



Olympic player Hari Sahota also found his way onto the scoresheet in the emphatic victory that saw Renmark solidify second spot on the table.

Waikerie's winning ways continue at Glassey Park

WAIKERIE notched another win in its impressive start to the season, seeing off a gallant Renmark in last week's round of Riverland A grade men's hockey.

The top-placed side in the competition continued its unbeaten run, thanks largely to an impressive performance from James Smith.

He put the ball past Jacob McKenzie twice in the 5-2 win and proved to be the difference on the day, with some assistance from Mitchell Rayner and Zak Brewer.

Despite McKenzie conceding five goals, he remained a giant in the Renmark goal, ensuring his side remained within touching distance for much of the match.

It took three quarters for it to happen, but Waikerie broke the shackles in the latter part of the match and was able to pull away from Renmark.

Elsewhere, Loxton bested Berri by two goals in a hotly contested affair.

Joel Hopper was the hero, netting twice in the victory, but it was Caleb Schaefer that was the standout for Loxton down the stretch.

Berri offered resistance in the form of a Dan Sawyer goal, but it was not enough to keep Loxton at bay.

Renmark took the chocolates in the sole women's A grade fixture of the weekend as it ran out one-goal victors over Waikerie.

Despite the best efforts of Alana Matulick and Karen Roberts, Renmark's singular goal, courtesy of Kylie Barton, was enough to separate the two sides.



Berri skipper Riley Burgess (left) in hot pursuit of Loxton star Caleb Schaefer (right) during last week's round of Riverland men's A grade hockey. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopf

Goals: Loxton - J. Hopper 2, C. Schaefer. Berri - D. Sawyer.

Waikerie 5 d Renmark 2.

Best: Waikerie - J. Smith, M. Rayner, Z. Brewer.

Renmark - R. Radloff, J. McKenzie, D. Beer.

Goals: Waikerie - J. Smith 2, D. Schmidt, M. Rayner, L. Hocking. Renmark - N. Hocking, B. Cutts.

B grade

Loxton 1 drew with Berri 1.

RESULTS

MEN

A grade

Loxton 3 d Berri 1.

Best: Loxton - C. Schaefer, J. Mische, C. Gow, C. Hennig. Berri - Details not provided.

Best: Loxton - C. Hennig, C. Morgan, J. Micken. Berri - A. Stiles, H. Eske, L. Russack.

Goals: Loxton - T. Cass. Berri - K. Stokes.

Waikerie 4 d Renmark 0.

Best: Waikerie - B. Kroehn, E. Johnson, N. Gogol, M. Johnson. Renmark - M. Shugg, K. McDonald, D. Grenfell, J. Redloff.

Goals: Waikerie - R. Edwards 2, L. Ebert, E. Johnson.

Under 17

Loxton/Renmark 5 d Waikerie 3.

Best: Loxton/Renmark T. Botten, J. Everett, D. Fitzpatrick, J. Botten. Waikerie - E. Kroehn, L. Ebert, A. Blyth, J. Ebert.

Goals: Loxton/Renmark - J. Everett 3, J. Botten, C. Hennig. Waikerie - G. Matulick, L. Ebert, O. Ebert.

WOMEN

A grade

Renmark 1 d Waikerie 0.

Best: Waikerie - A. Matulick, K. Roberts, L. Duffield.

Renmark - Details not provided.

Goals: Renmark - K. Barton.

B grade

Loxton 0 drew with Berri 0.

Best: Loxton - D. Othams, S. Robinson, M. Gillett, A. Hundertmark. Berri - C. Marsden, A. Kennedy, M. Watkins, R. Hronopolous.

Waikerie 1 d Renmark 0.

Best: Waikerie - C. Waye, B. Smith, A. Kroehn. Renmark - L. Fourie, J. Packer, K. Barton, K. Beer.

Goals: Waikerie - S. Kroehn.

Under 17

Berri 6 d Loxton 0.

Best: Berri - C. Camilleri, A. Herbert, M. Stokes, A. Kelly. Loxton - E. Schaefer, M. Gillett, A. King, E. Barnes.

Goals: Berri - C. Camilleri 4, A. Herbert, M. Stokes.

Waikerie 2 d Renmark 0.

Best: Waikerie - D. Brewer, T. Jolley, E. Kroehn, A. Edwards. Renmark - S. Golding, B. Kimberley, H. Keynes.

Goals: Waikerie - Z. Schiller.

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Under 14

Waikerie 2 drew with Renmark 2.

Best: Waikerie - G. Matulick, C. Gogoll, J. Ebert. Renmark - Details not provided.

Goals: Waikerie - C. Gogoll, O. Ebert. Renmark - J. Everett, A. Preusker.

Under 12

Waikerie 6 d Berri Red 0.

Best: Waikerie - C. Loffler, J. Gogoll, M. Ahmed, S. Kroehn. Berri Red - E. Bascom, B. O'Callaghan, J. Boon, G. Boon.

Goals: Waikerie - E. Ahmed, C. Loffler 2, J. Gogoll, S. Kroehn.

Berri Blue 1 drew with Renmark 1.

Best: Berri Blue - S. Coote, A. Dale, L. Gray, H. Martin. Renmark - D. Everett, L. Cook, L. Sanders, J. Hardwick.

Goals: Berri Blue - A. Brewster. Renmark - D. Everett.

Wayne crowned Champion in Mildura race

A NUMBER of Riverlanders featured prominently at the recent Mildura Cycling Club Autumn Classic road race, with Wayne Champion emerging on top.

The 13 competing riders were split into four groups, with two distances of 75km and 95km and Champion was able to cross the line in first position.

Dave Priest took out second place, while Shaun James rounded out the podium.

Champion wasn't the only Riverlander to taste success at the event, with Clint Bambrick posting the fastest time for the day and being crowned the best scratch rider.



Wayne Champion (left) collecting his trophy after taking out the Mildura Cycling Club Autumn Classic. PHOTO: supplied

RIVERLAND EIGHTBALL RESULTS

RESULTS

DIVISION ONE/TWO

Barmera Balls Deep 14 d Monash Club 2; Paringa Bushy 8 drew with Loxton RSL BC 8; Lyrup Odd Bunch 10 d Barmera Bowling Club 6; Lyrup Club Muppets 11 d Monash Club Bandits 5; Muncie Yabbies 9 d Renmark Bowling Club 7; Loxton 11 d Cobbers 5. Points: Barmera Balls Deep 16, Lyrup Club Muppets 15, Monash Club Bandits 13, Monash Club 10, Muncie Yabbies 10, Loxton RSL BC 9, Loxton 8, Cobbers 7, Paringa Bushy 5, Barmera Bowling Club 5, Renmark Bowling Club 4, Lyrup Odd Bunch 4.

DIVISION THREE

Barmera Pelicans 12 d Cobby Scorpions 4; Cobby G.O.B 8 drew with Cobby Club 8; Loxton Black 9 d Lyrup Club 7; Titko Radlyanko 10 d Renmark Bowling Club 6. Points: Loxton Black 18, Titko Radlyanko 16, Barmera Pelicans 12, Cobby Club 10, Cobby G.O.B 8, Lyrup Club 6, Renmark Bowling Club 2, Cobby Scorpions 0.

DIVISION FOUR

Lyrup FarQ 15 d Riverland Respite 1; Cobby Eagles 9 d Cobby Roos 7. Points: Lyrup FARQ 16, Lyrup Club Blue 10, Cobby Roos 9, Bourbon Legends 8, Cobby Eagles 7, Riverland Respite 4.

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Cohen Battams(7)64	Mark Kilmartin(7)62
Thiel Boys.....(7)64	Tony Milgate(7)62
Trevor Flint(7)63	Jasmine Harris(7)62
Ross Cambell.....(7)63	Marlene Schultz(6)62
Dianne Morgan.....(7)63	Nancy Battams.....(7)61
Frank Drougas(6)63	Chris Schutz(7)61
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RIVERLAND A GRADE

	RENMARK	BARMERA-MONASH
ROVERS	4.4	7.9
ROOS	2.0	2.2
BEST: Renmark - M. Woolford, F. Sampson, J. Austin, Z. Gartery, T. Woolford, M. Jenke. Barmera-Monash - D. Klingbiel, J. Smith, T. Eleftheriadis, S. Butterworth, J. Millington, M. Mock.	13.19	15.20
GOALS: Renmark - M. Woolford 3, J. Austin, A. Haynes, J. Rowe 2, T. Charlton, M. Jenke, B. Rover, W. Stockman, J. Vater, T. Woolford. Barmera-Monash - J. Freeman, T. Packer, J. Smith, A. Norman.	110	30

	LOXTON	WAIKERIE
TIGERS	3.3	6.5
MAGPIES	3.1	5.2
BEST: Loxton - D. Kassulke, W. Gutsche, B. Hill, J. Bates, J. Will, H. Campbell. Waikerie - J. Burgemeister, S. Hausler, L. Nitschke, J. Spencely, B. Smith, J. Pillion.	9.8	11.10
GOALS: Loxton - N. Flight 3, T. Eagle, W. Gutsche 2, L. Pontt, B. Tregeagle, R. Romeo, H. Campbell. Waikerie - M. Spencely 4, D. Gordon, A. Lo Iacono, B. Moon, L. Nitschke.	76	53

	BERRI	LOXTON NORTH
DEMONS	4.6	6.9
PANTHERS	1.2	1.4
BEST: Berri - J. Westley, M. Hodge, L. Teasdale, J. Grieger, B. Thompson, M. Voigt. Loxton North - W. Schultz, C. Koehne, T. Kent, K. Wilksch, B. Romeo, J. George.	11.12	19.16
GOALS: Berri - J. Westley 6, M. Hodge 4, R. Moroney 3, M. Voigt 2, T. Finlay, J. Grieger, P. Minchella, J. Hennessy. Loxton North - M. Hampel, T. Kent, C. Koehne.	130	24

INDEPENDENT

	PARINGA	BROWN'S WELL
SWANS	16.6	102
BOMBERS	12.5	77
BEST: Paringa - I. Frahn, H. Sanford, C. Baptie, D. Hill, C. Gardner, H. Schultz. Brown's Well - D. McNeil, B. Edmonds, J. Shannon, H. Chandler, B. Hampel, M. Fitzgerald.		
GOALS: Paringa - D. Hill 9, C. Gardner, J. Hanlon 2, D. Giles, H. Sanford, H. Schultz. Brown's Well - H. Chandler, M. Fitzgerald 3, D. McNeil, B. Victor 2, D. Ireland, J. Shannon.		

	BSR	WUNKAR
REDBACKS	3.1	10.6
BULLDOGS	3.0	4.0
BEST: BSR - C. Horstmann, M. Clark, A. Bajsz, J. Medhurst, D. Oakley, S. Tanner. Wunkar - M. Worsfold, J. Wiseman, K. Petch, J. Wood, N. Henschke, R. Taylor.	15.7	17.10
GOALS: BSR - J. Medhurst 9, M. Clark 3, A. Crothers 2, D. Gribble, R. Hartley, J. Verrall. Wunkar - T. Renshaw 2, S. Atkinson, L. Biele, J. Jeffery, H. Kelly, T. Schulz, J. Wood.	112	50

	SEDAN-CAMBRAI	RAMCO
MAGPIES	3.7	10.9
ROOSTERS	1.2	1.5
BEST: Sedan-Cambrai - J. Grace, C. Thompson, S. Kain, A. Falkenberg, J. Voigt, J. Atze. Ramco - M. Baddack, C. Allen, N. Hart, J. Mackereth, B. Hawke, D. Kalusche.	18.13	20.19
GOALS: Sedan-Cambrai - J. Grace 9, C. Thompson 5, S. Kain 4, A. Falkenberg, J. Roesler. Ramco - M. Baddack 2, J. Mackereth, J. Moxham, J. O'Callaghan.	139	41



MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD

PLAYER	CLUB	TW	TOTAL
M. Spencely	W	0	17
W. Gutsche	L	5	13
M. Hodge	B	3	12
M. Woolford	R	5	11
T. Kent	LN	0	10
F. Sampson	R	4	10

OTHER GRADES

B GRADE
Renmark 20.16 (136) d Barmera-Monash 2.1 (13).
 BEST: Renmark - D. Johnson, M. O'Loughlin, C. Gartery, M. Edwards, M. Smith, A. Lloyd. Barmera-Monash - J. Kleinig, K. Riley, D. Bates-Weetra, J. Pascoe, J. Kilsby, N. Scadden.
 GOALS: Renmark - D. Johnson 8, M. O'Loughlin 3, L. Roberts 2, J. McGrath, E. O'Neil, H. Pearce, A. Prokopec, D. Strongman, T. Wilkinson, M. Smith. Barmera-Monash - M. Abdulla 2.

Loxton 10.11 (71) d Waikerie 4.1 (25).
 BEST: Loxton - B. Falting, J. Loxton, R. Liddle, N. Uren, P. Portolesi. Waikerie - L. Exton, N. Lloyd, J. Sutton, J. Trandafil, T. Lambe, F. Twigden.
 GOALS: Loxton - R. Liddle 3, B. Falting, K. Hewitt, B. Rollins, M. Thiele, N. Uhren, B. Wehrmuller. Waikerie - Details not provided.

Loxton North 9.4 (58) d Berri 6.7 (43).
 BEST: Loxton North - B. Martin, S. Meneghetti, M. Arnold, K. Worsfold, M. Trezise, B. Butson. Berri - W. Frankel, J. Staunton, R. Bromley, A. Dayman, T. Dolling, G. Eisenberg.
 GOALS: Loxton North - S. Meneghetti, R. Proud 3, R. Hammerstein, J. Nelson, L. Worsfold. Berri - M. Barber 2, T. Dolling, Z. Joannou, T. Newton, M. Toogood.

UNDER 18
Renmark 8.8 (56) d Barmera-Monash 6.2 (38).
 BEST: Renmark - B. White, J. Kroemer, R. Curtis, L. Harrington, N. Stockman, M. Singh. Barmera-Monash - M. Pietrolaj, T. Ogle, L. Marks, M. Eleftheriadis, H. Carter, B. Bagguley.
 GOALS: Renmark - L. Harrington, T. Johnson 3, N. Stockman 2. Barmera-Monash - L. Alder 2, L. Marks, I. Richardson, N. Richardson, R. Singh.

Waikerie 5.12 (42) d Loxton 6.3 (39).
 BEST: Waikerie - F. Andrew, T. Brand, J. Trandafil, J. Pillion, L. Nitschke, C. Radolovic-Tripodi. Loxton - L. Zdanowicz, D. Rothe, B. Salmon, K. Evans, N. Katsaitis, J. Boughen.
 GOALS: Waikerie - R. Turner 2, J. Pillion, C. Radolovic-Tripodi, J. Trandafil. Loxton - L. Zdanowicz 5, T. Blaser.

Loxton North 9.9 (63) d Berri 7.6 (48).
 BEST: Loxton North - D. Petch, J. Koehne, T. Psarakis, K. Miller, C. Petch, K. Fielke. Berri - D. Westley, H. Campbell, D. Greer, T. Varbai-Heward, M. Kaurirai, R. Kruger.
 GOALS: Loxton North - T. Psarakis 5, Z. Zimmermann 2, T. Hobby, K. Miller. Berri - R. Kruger 4, H. Campbell, M. Foulds, E. Singh-Abdulla.



UNDER 15
Barmera-Monash 14.3 (87) d Renmark 8.4 (52).
 BEST: Barmera-Monash - B. Rashleigh, F. Dillon, T. Drogemuller, H. Westcott, B. Scordo, H. Ness. Renmark - L. White, A. Leesue, I. Morgan, C. Goodman, Z. Blacksell, O. Lang.
 GOALS: Barmera-Monash - T. Drogemuller, H. Westcott 4, H. Ness 2, S. Carne, F. Dillon, M. Richter, B. Scordo. Renmark - L. White 5, C. Goodman 2, I. Morgan.

Loxton 8.5 (53) d Waikerie 4.1 (25).
 BEST: Loxton - K. Evans, M. Sexton, C. Rankine, R. Thiele-Butterworth, R. Tripp, A. Roberts. Waikerie - M. Lloyd, R. Fridd, A. Hashemi, T. Edwards-O'Cass, C. Collins, E. Carter.
 GOALS: Loxton - M. Sexton 3, K. Evans 2, A. Roberts, R. Thiele-Butterworth, H. Westbrook. Waikerie - F. Andrew, B. Carter, M. Lloyd, C. Scott.

Berri 5.9 (39) d Loxton North 1.6 (12).
 BEST: Berri - A. Peltz, Y. Exarheas, D. Hronopoulos, P. Efthimiou, L. Watson, B. Reid-Fletcher. Loxton North - L. Clayton, J. Hutchinson, K. Serafin, R. Woodbridge, J. Badran, J. Woodbridge.
 GOALS: Berri - M. Cawse, P. Efthimiou, B. Reid-Fletcher. Loxton North - C. Jaeschke.

UNDER 13
Barmera-Monash 4.9 (33) d Renmark 1.5 (11).
 BEST: Barmera-Monash - N. Gartner, M. Johnson, K. Ogle, H. Banks, M. Rashleigh, K. Nixon. Renmark - H. Riedel, S. DePalma, H. Dring, L. Thiel, L. Brown, R. Harding.
 GOALS: Barmera-Monash - N. Gardner 2, D. Marks, M. Rashleigh. Renmark - J. Tregeagle.

Waikerie 9.12 (66) d Loxton 1.1 (7).
 BEST: Waikerie - J. Taverner, A. Wood, E. Lawrance, H. Radolovic-Tripodi, Z. Micke, A. Rankin. Loxton - B. Duthie, D. Mayes, P. Biele, W. Lister-White, L. Milton, S. Polymiadis.
 GOALS: Waikerie - J. Taverner 3, E. Lawrance, C. Scott 2, A. Rankin, A. Tregenza. Loxton - W. Lister-White.

Loxton North 14.7 (91) d Berri 3.4 (22).
 BEST: Loxton North - T. Meaney, A. Kent, L. Jaeschke, C. Setchell, D. May, C. Schwarz. Berri - C. Blanck, S. Marsden, P. Jackson, T. Ferreira, P. Efthimiou, C. Blanck.
 GOALS: Loxton North - T. Meaney 3, L. Jaeschke, A. Kent, M. Obst, C. Schwarz, W. King, C. Setchell, S. Williams. Berri - C. Blanck, P. Efthimiou, D. Philp.

***ALL RESULTS MUST BE POSTED ONLINE BY MONDAY MORNING TO BE INCLUDED**

LADDERS

A GRADE

	W	L	D	F	A	P	%
RENMARK	5	0	0	387	219	10	176.7
LOXTON	3	2	0	382	286	6	133.5
BERRI	3	2	0	404	307	6	131.6
WAIKERIE	3	2	0	343	291	6	117.8
BARMERA-MONASH	1	4	0	258	431	2	59.8
LOXTON NORTH	0	5	0	233	473	0	49.2

INDEPENDENT

	W	L	D	F	A	P	%
BSR	5	0	0	463	216	10	215.3
SEDAN-CAMBRAI	4	1	0	569	257	8	221.4
WUNKAR	3	2	0	378	375	6	100.8
RAMCO	2	3	0	322	387	4	83.2
PARINGA	1	4	0	255	503	2	50.7
BROWN'S WELL	0	5	0	287	537	0	53.4

B GRADE

	W	L	F	A	P	%
LOXTON	5	0	457	127	10	359.8
RENMARK	3	2	368	212	6	173.5
BERRI	3	2	348	209	6	166.5
LOXTON NORTH	3	2	286	248	6	115.2
WAIKERIE	1	4	188	412	2	45.6
BARMERA-MONASH	0	5	99	538	0	18.4

UNDER 18

	W	L	F	A	P	%
WAIKERIE	5	0	264	186	10	141.9
RENMARK	3	2	287	197	6	145.6
LOXTON NORTH	3	2	318	231	6	137.6
BERRI	3	2	262	230	6	113.9
LOXTON	1	4	108	293	2	36.8
BARMERA-MONASH	0	5	192	294	0	65.3

UNDER 15

	W	L	F	A	P	%
BERRI	5	0	219	90	10	243.3
RENMARK	3	2	391	170	6	230.0
BARMERA-MONASH	3	2	281	217	6	129.4
LOXTON NORTH	2	3	232	235	4	98.7
LOXTON	2	3	185	251	4	73.7
WAIKERIE	0	5	68	413	0	16.4

UNDER 13

	W	L	F	A	P
BARMERA-MONASH	5	0	453	25	10
RENMARK	4	1	297	78	8
WAIKERIE	3	2	223	197	6
LOXTON NORTH	2	3	260	279	4
BERRI	1	4	85	322	2
LOXTON	0	5	44	461	0

RWFL LADDER

	W	L	F	A	P
BERRI	4	0	294	14	8
RENMARK	2	2	188	117	4
BARMERA-MONASH	2	2	153	105	4
WAIKERIE	2	2	125	157	4
LOXTON NORTH	0	4	36	403	0



RWFL RESULTS - Round three

RESULTS

Renmark 7.5 (47) d Barmera-Monash 2.4 (16).
 BEST: Renmark - E. Fry, F. Morgan, C. Kenyon, S. Coombs, S. Beer, G. Hodder. Barmera-Monash - D. Troy, S. Albrecht, R. Sullivan, S. Priest, B. Caddy, H. Sharrad-Jones.
 GOALS: Renmark - S. Beer, F. Morgan, G. Peberdy 2, T. Bragg 1. Barmera-Monash - R. Sullivan, D. Troy.
Berri 19.16 (130) d Loxton North 0.0 (0).
 BEST: Berri - S. Geyer, P. Tieste, M. Wishart, K. Kregar, D. Riddle, E. Hinge. Loxton North - G. Rover, T. Smith, T. Mitchell, L. Pickett, C. Pannell.
 GOALS: Berri - S. Geyer 11, E. Hinge 3, M. Katsaitis, K. Kregar 2, T. Bromley.

Streak continues for Vater's Rovers

BEN LENNON

RENMARK bested a depleted Barmera-Monash by 80 points to maintain its unbeaten start to 2022 in last Saturday's round of Riverland A grade football.

The Roos became the latest side to fall victim to Covid health and safety protocols last week, with upwards of eight players missing out on the weekend's action across both grades.

The lack of numbers gave several youngsters the opportunity to test themselves against the best, but Renmark was able to prove that it is just that.

Despite the convincing win, Renmark coach Josh Vater said his side still has work to do in a number of areas as it enters the middle rounds of the season.

"We're really happy to be 5-0 and definitely would've taken that if we were offered it at the start of the season, but we've got heaps of improvement to do throughout the rest of the year," he said.

"You can look at every phase of the game and I feel like we've got a lot to work on."

"We've had guys that have started okay, not badly, but they'll continue to improve as the season goes on."

The win was the first time Renmark has been able to break the shackles and kick away to a commanding victory this year.

It wasn't the only major margin of the round, with Berri also handing Loxton North a hefty loss and Vater said that although it was nice to kick a solid score, the competition has been better off without seeing massive losing margins.

"Up until this round it's been nice to see there haven't been any blowouts, although there were two on the weekend," he said.

"Clubs have been Covid affected so hopefully it's going to be an even playing field but, on the flipside, hopefully clubs like Barmera-Monash don't get too hammered with Covid and injuries at the same time."

"They had a lot of young players, four debutants I think, but they still had a lot of quality players, particularly around the stoppages."

"For us we can only beat who's in front



Fraser Sampson starred in Renmark's win over Barmera-Monash last Saturday.

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

of us and it's nice to be able to do our thing and keep a decent score."

Matt Woolford was untouchable in the win, racking up plenty of disposals in all areas of the ground and helping himself to three majors for the day.

Brother Tim also featured prominently, as did Fraser Sampson who continued his strong run of form across half back and also spent a brief period on the forward flank early in the game.

Ruckman Zac Gartery performed well against Mason Middleton in the middle of the ground all day, while for Barmera-Monash, Jake Smith was again in the thick of things.

The contested ball featured heavily, particularly in the early stages of the game, while Dylan Klingbiel also impressed after a strong performance on the wing.

The win for Renmark means it has been able to claim victory over all five rival clubs, but for the streak to continue, it will need to emerge on top against Loxton next week.

Vater knows the threat that the Tigers bring, mentioning that they are "flying" after an impressive win over Waikerie and this weekend will be another test for the Rovers.

Barmera-Monash returns home to face Loxton North, the only side the Roos have managed to topple so far this season.



Matt Woolford (left) is embraced by Renmark player/coach Josh Vater as the Rovers picked up the win over Barmera-Monash last Saturday.

110		30		
5 Matt Woolford	R			
4 Fraser Sampson	R			
3 Zac Gartery	R			
2 Dylan Klingbiel	BM			
1 Jake Smith	BM			



Renmark ruckman Zac Gartery put in another dominant display for the Rovers in what was the side's biggest victory of the season.



130		24		
5 Jason Westley	B			
4 Luke Teasdale	B			
3 Matt Hodge	B			
2 Brody Thompson	B			
1 Will Schultz	LN			

Berri breaks the shackles against young Panthers

BERRI became the first team to crack the 100-point win barrier in last Saturday's round of RFL A grade football, with a convincing win over Loxton North.

The Panthers had enjoyed an improved start to 2022, despite not yet picking up a win, but failed to stay in the contest against Berri, falling to a 106-point loss.

Loxton North competed hard early but failed to hit the scoreboard in any meaningful capac-

ity, stranded on just eight points at quarter time, with Berri already out to a 22-point margin.

As the match went on, the bigger bodies of the Berri midfield began to cause Loxton North's young brigade more concern.

Matt Hodge was again in the thick of it, with the highly-credentialled recruit booting four goals in the victory and playing a key role in the middle of the park for the Demons.

He was partnered by Luke Teasdale, who put in a strong performance and amassed plenty of the ball in a typically hungry performance.

The duo was fed well all day by Brody Thompson, who stamped his authority on ruck contests throughout the day.

Jason Westley kicked six goals in the win, including a number of efforts that wowed the crowd, continuing his strong forward half play

from the week prior.

Tyson Kent was again one of the leaders of the Panther resistance, alongside Will Schultz and Caleb Koehne, who both put in strong performances in the heavy loss.

Kent and Koehne hit the scoreboard for North, along with ruckman Matthew Hampel, but it proved to be in vain as Berri used its hard outside running to great advantage yet again.

The win ensures that Berri

remains in touch with the chasing pack behind top side Renmark, with the Demons now level on wins with Loxton and their opponents next week, Waikerie.

Loxton North remains winless, but will have its best opportunity at picking up a win since round one next week when it travels to Barmera-Monash to take on the Roos.

The two did battle in round one, with the Roos emerging victorious.

'One week at a time' for the Tigers

BEN LENNON

IN front of a bumper crowd at Loxton Oval on Sunday, the home side took the points with an impressive 23-point victory over Waikerie.

The match, billed as a curtain raiser for the SANFL game that followed, lived up to expectations and created a logjam in the middle of the RFL ladder, with three sides now locked on three wins.

Despite the win having major ramifications on the make-up of the premiership table, particularly now that all sides have played each other, Loxton coach Dillon Millard insisted his team would continue to take it "one win at a time".

"We take every game as it comes really," he said.

"We don't try and say 'we're going well now so let's keep it going' we more just say 'this is our task for this week' and then go and do the job.

"We try and win every game and every game is a big game. We try and get better each game and that's the task.

"If we can do that then hopefully we can go and win a premiership which is what we really want to do."

Millard's side has endured a number of hurdles already this season, with Millard himself missing the opening game of the year against Renmark with Covid.

The latest to suffer an injury for the Tigers is midfielder John Fisher, who hurt his ribs the week prior and will miss the next two games.

Also with an injury cloud over him is experienced recruit Luke Harder, with Millard saying it's up to him to return when he's ready after suffering from some hamstring soreness.

"He hasn't pulled anything, he just had some soreness," Millard said.

"Last year he had some hamstring issues so we're trying to just manage him a bit but he's not out for any lengthy period of time.

"There's no timeline on it really. We'll just get him back training and whenever he feels ready, he can come back in."

As for Waikerie, the loss is a setback in what has been a topsy-turvy season so far.

Coach Shayne Stevens has recently admitted that his side has "flown under the radar" in terms of the players it has missing and it was again a young side that



Loxton playing coach Dillon Millard gets a handball away under heavy pressure from Waikerie's Jake Spencely. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



The win means the Tigers are now level on points with Waikerie and Berri as the RFL season continues to heat up.

took to the park on Sunday.

Matt Spencely impressed again, kicking four goals in what has become a productive 2022.

His brother, Jake, put together a robust performance that saw him earn a spot in the best players, while Jack Burgemeister was named best for the Magpies in what is proving to be a breakout season.

Loxton was without a sole standout contributor, with Millard

lauding his team's effort across the board, but the veteran did heap praise on youngster Harley Campbell.

Campbell is a bottom-age under 18 and West Adelaide representative, and with a number of Westies coaches in attendance, he put on a show.

"He's come up and he uses the ball better than us," Millard laughed.

"I can't say enough about that

kid; he's pretty special and he's going to have a big footy career."

Loxton now turns its attention to Renmark in this weekend's round one rematch, with the Tigers set to play their second consecutive home game.

They will attempt to be the first team to take points off of the league leaders this season, while Waikerie aims to bounce back against a Berri side that continues to go from strength to strength.

Swans finally sing their song

PARINGA climbed off the bottom of the RFL Independent ladder last weekend when it bested Brown's Well by 25 points away from home.

Both sides went into the clash without a win on the board for 2022 and it was the Swans that came out on top, thanks largely to Dean Hill's bag of nine goals.

Hill had ample supply, with Paringa's midfield group of ruckman Isaac Frahn and centreman Haimish Sandford both standouts in the win.

Brown's Well remains the only team without a win in the Independents, with next week's fixture against Wunkar an important one if it wants to avoid the wooden spoon.

Bombers coach Aaron Bullard will be buoyed by his side's improvement on a difficult 2021 campaign, with the performances of Digby McNeil and Blake Edmonds in recent weeks giving supporters something to smile about.

Elsewhere, Sedan-Cambrai made a statement in a rematch of last season's grand finale, handing reigning premier Ramco a 98-point defeat.

The Magpies have hit their stride in 2022, with Jack Grace again putting in a standout performance, booting nine majors in the comprehensive win.

Chris Eaton's side now sits in alone in second place on the ladder, just one win behind the undefeated BSR in first.

Ramco trails behind in fourth, having won just two of its opening five games this season.

Finals is still certainly on the cards for the Roosters, but if they are to defend their crown, improvement looks to be needed.

Meanwhile, BSR continued its winning ways in style, picking up a 10-goal win over third-placed Wunkar at home.

The Redbacks were aided by strong showings from gun recruit Cam Horstmann and his midfield partner Matt Clark, with the two dominating proceedings in Blanchtown.

Jake Medhurst joined the nine-goal club alongside Hill and Grace, with the forward having it his own way in the Redback forward line.

The loss is a setback for the Bulldogs, who are now two games adrift of BSR in the premiership table.

Marc Worsfold was the best performer in a lacklustre performance from Tom Wood's side, with a win over Brown's Well next week now crucial to stay in touch at the top.

Other fixtures next week include Paringa's date with Ramco as Peter Siddall and the Swans look to make it two in a row, while BSR heads to Cambrai to take on the Magpies.

Busy time for Superdogs

RIVERLAND Superdogs have enjoyed a busy couple of weeks, with the Masters Aussie rules team beating Gawler at Lyrup Oval, then having the honour of playing in a curtain-raiser for the Russell Ebert Tribute Match at Loxton on Sunday.

On the weekend, the Superdogs suffered a narrow loss in a low-scoring game against the visiting Peninsula Magpies.

A Superdogs spokesperson said Loxton Oval was in "superb" condition and that players enjoyed the atmosphere for the match.

In the lead-up to Sunday's excitement, the Superdogs

beat Gawler by 39 points at Lyrup Oval in their round four clash.

The home side had the match stitched up by half-time, leading by 35 points, after strong performances from Dale Lellmann, Rob Romeo, Dean Schumann, Matt Recchia and Bruce 'Spanner' Barnes, who enjoyed his rare stint in the forward line and kicked three goals.

Riverland Superdogs 10-7 (67) d Gawler 3-10 (28).

RIVERLAND BEST: A. Rothe, D. Lellmann, R. Romeo, D. Schumann, P. Glassey, G. Schloithe.

RIVERLAND GOALS: J. Sutherland, B. Barnes 3; R. Courtney 2; D. Lellmann, R. Johnstone.



Riverland Superdog Dean Schumann dishes out a handball during the match against Peninsula Magpies at Loxton Oval last Sunday. Schumann, a former RFL star, was named in the 2021 AFL Masters National Carnival All Australian "50s" team following the annual event in Perth late last year. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Ebert match a 'success' on and off the field

BEN LENNON

HISTORY was made on Sunday afternoon when Loxton hosted an SANFL match for premiership points in the name of the late Russell Ebert, with 3756 people in attendance.

The match between West Adelaide and Port Adelaide was preceded by two Riverland curtain raisers, with Riverland Superdogs taking on Peninsula Pirates in an over 35s masters match, and Loxton doing battle with Waikerie in RFL A grade.

It saw several of the region's biggest names return home for a match on Riverland soil for the first time in years, with Kaiden Brand and Jono Beech both featuring prominently for Westies in the side's four goal loss.

Port held the ascendancy early, before West Adelaide mounted a third quarter comeback that saw the margin reduced to just two goals.

But, strong performances from Russell Ebert Medallist Xavier Duursma, mercurial forward Charlie Dixon and AFL up-and-comer Marty Frederick ensured the Magpies walked away with the points.

Westies defender and Berri native Kaiden Brand was "disappointed" with the loss but said that the day was a worthwhile experience.

"It was good to enjoy the whole experience and get back to the Riverland for a game," he said.

"Obviously the result didn't go our way but it was good to get out there on a Riverland deck and play in front of friends and family.

"The boys loved it and felt like the Riverland embraced us and really enjoyed the whole experience.

"It's amazing. I think in our last premiership team, half of them were ex-Riverland and Mallee players, so for us going forward, it's super important to keep that relationship going strong."

The tall defender is no stranger to large crowds and top-notch facilities, having played 48 games in the AFL before returning to Westies, but said that Loxton Oval stacked up nicely.

"Everything was in fantastic nick and the facilities were second to none," he said.

"That was the first time I've seen it since it's all been done up and it was amazing. It makes it a lot easier coming down from Adelaide when you get to play at a ground like that."

Off-field, the ground teamed with supporters from all parts, with a who's who of Riverland footy looking on among SANFL club officials and diehard supporters who made the journey up the Sturt Highway for the match.

The woman behind the operation was



Riverland-born Kaiden Brand (left) enjoyed a physical battle with Port Adelaide forward Charlie Dixon in last Sunday's Russell Ebert tribute match. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

West Adelaide CEO Conny Wilson, who was seen running around ensuring everything went to plan throughout the entirety of the day.

After a demanding weekend, Ms Wilson described the day as a "fantastic success".

"One of our life members, Robert Day, sent me a text Sunday night saying 'I felt proud Conny' and he's a stalwart of the club so for him to say that, I was rapt," Ms Wilson said.

"I heard Loxton sold out of grog and meat, and Les Lange was over the moon, so overall it was a fantastic day.

"I've said this before but I'm committed and I'm not letting the Riverland go like it was let go four or five years ago.

"We know we need to keep doing this. For us it ticked a lot of boxes and it was a great opportunity for us to give back to the



Xavier Duursma became the first recipient of the Russell Ebert medal for the best player on the ground. PHOTO: Facebook

there was not a cloud in the sky, with Conny thanking a pre-match ceremony for such good luck throughout the afternoon.

"It was really nice and important to have Uncle Barney to do a welcome to country and get rid of all the bad spirits and wish well on everyone," Ms Wilson said.

"It's their land at the end of the day and for him to be able to do that in front of a crowd that size was significant for us to acknowledge that our story didn't start with settler blocks.

"It started way, way back and if it makes people think a bit, I'm all for it."

Talks have already begun surrounding next year's edition and Ms Wilson has assured that the club will return for a match in 2023, as well as continuing to hold clinics and visit the Riverland community in the coming months.

Riverland community."

Not only did the Riverland produce a massive crowd and a "fantastic" venue, but



Port Adelaide captain Cam Sutcliffe (centre) is presented with the Russell Ebert Tribute Match trophy by Russell's wife Dian (left) and son Ben (right). PHOTO: Facebook



Duursma picked up 28 touches and kicked two goals in Port Adelaide's four-goal victory over the Bloods in front of a packed crowd at Loxton Oval. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



All in attendance observed a minute's silence for the late, great Russell Ebert in Loxton on Sunday at the first installment of the Russell Ebert tribute match between West Adelaide and Port Adelaide. PHOTO: Ben Lennon

Riverland delivers a fitting tribute

BEN LENNON

THE first edition of the Russell Ebert Tribute Match in Loxton last Sunday has been deemed a "fitting tribute" by members of the Ebert family, after three matches were played in honour of the late Port Adelaide great.

The festival of footy was played in front of a packed house of both supporters and distinguished guests, including a number of the Ebert family who sat in the grandstand as the Riverland and footy public paid tribute to Russell.

Russell's nephew and Port Adelaide and West Coast Eagles champion Brad Ebert was among those in attendance and described the event as a "fantastic day".

"It was a fantastic way to celebrate Russell's contribution to the Riverland, football in general and the wider community that he reached," he said.

"It was really well put together and well run by Westies and the way Loxton put on the show, was a great tribute.

"I thought it was a good way to showcase SA footy, and to be able to put it on in the town where there are still plenty of us Eberts around the place was fantastic."

People came in their droves from both the Riverland and the city to honour the legacy of Port Adelaide's greatest ever player.

The event showcased how much he meant to the region, with Brad detailing how mutual the feeling was.

"Russell loved the Riverland and the Riverland loved him," he said.

"I think a lot of the time you probably didn't understand how far-reaching Russ was in that respect until the last year or so.

"Being able to do round two in the city with the AFL was great, but to take it back to where Russell grew up and where so many of his family and friends still live

was great.

"Russ the footballer was good and he did what he did on the field, but his humility he showed off the field is what put him on that sort of level.

"He had a willingness to help out in any situation, he had the ability to transcend any sort of group and gave people the respect they needed."

The Loxton grandstand was packed with Ebert family members and friends of Russell, with plenty of tales told about his exploits.

West Adelaide CEO Conny Wilson detailed how important it was for the club to be able to honour his memory and is looking forward to doing it year after year in the place where he grew up.

"It's often the way when people are no longer with us, but they (the crowd) really did it for Russell," she said.

"He touched so many people in the Riverland and some of the stories that came out around the ground, it was a lovely vibe.

"I had a chat with Tammy Kernig (Russell's daughter) and she said the family really appreciated the gesture."

Brad Ebert echoed Ms Wilson's sentiment, recalling bumping into some people who knew Russell growing up following the game.

"There was such a broad spectrum of mates and I even met a couple in the takeaway joint in Loxton on Sunday night," he said.

"There were plenty of people who probably couldn't make the trip down for the AFL game earlier in the year in the city that still wanted to pay their respects.

"My dad and uncle were all there and they were chuffed to be able to chat to all these people they grew up with, so it was great for us."



A bumper crowd packed in to Loxton Oval to witness three games of footy played in honour of the Port Adelaide champion. PHOTO: Paul Mitchell



Local juniors jumped at the chance to have a kick on the oval at half time of the match. PHOTO: Ben Lennon



VIPs and distinguished guests were treated to food and drinks both before the SANFL match and at half time in the newly-built Loxton Precinct. PHOTO: Ben Lennon

Port Adelaide saw off a spirited third-quarter comeback from Westies to take home the Russell Ebert Tribute Match trophy. PHOTO: Ben Lennon





TRIBUTE MATCH: Riverland-born Jono Beech was honoured for his lengthy West Adelaide career after bringing up his 200th game earlier in the season. PHOTOS: Ben Lennon



Uncle Barney Lindsay delivered a stirring welcome to country prior to the first bounce between West Adelaide and Port Adelaide. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

The West Adelaide cheerleaders also made the journey out to the Riverland and performed ahead of the SANFL clash. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



RIVERLAND TENNIS ACES: The Mallee Bulls took home the top honours in the 50+ Group A category. From L-R: Dave Pruckner, Mick Luke, Dave MacDonald (C), Murray FitzClarence and Dave Watson. Absent: Peter French and Brian Neilsen. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

All tied up in Renmark table tennis

LAST week's Renmark table tennis action squared the ledger, as all four teams competing now sit equal with one win apiece.

Double Fish bounced back from its opening-round loss to claim victory over Top Guns by four matches.

Alda Ward was the standout for her side, picking up wins in all of her matches on the second night.

Top Guns will get a chance to regroup as it has the bye this week before coming back to face The Shooters in the following round.

Shooters took care of Crushers in round two, with the match-up ending with the same 13-9 scoreline as the other match of the round.

'Table Tennis Dennis' Robinson maintained his strong form from last year's competition, picking up wins in each of his matches.

Loxton crowned kings of the course

LOXTON was crowned champions in both the A and B grade divisions when the Riverland pennant golf season finished in Loxton last weekend.

The Andrew Hume-led team convincingly beat reigning titleholders Barmera 4-1 to avenge their close loss in last year's A grade final.

Big-hitting lefthander Peter Johns recorded Barmera's only win over Corey Foreman, but Loxton's top liners in Hume and Craig Wooldridge, along with veterans Kym Rivett and Brett Proud, were too steady on

their home track.

Loxton also beat Barmera to win the B grade pennant 3-2 and Berri's experienced line-up was too steady for Barmera in the C grade.

Barmera president Nev McPherson paid tribute to the Loxton and Berri for their success.

"We were outplayed, simple as that," he said. "We were very proud to get three teams through to final but it is great to see some high-class competition in local pennants.

"The commitment of the best players from the clubs makes the pennant competi-

tion really strong and if you don't have a good day, there is every chance you are going to get beaten.

"Loxton were clearly very keen to make amends for last year. Our boys will need to regroup and set our sights on going again next year."

Barmera had won five of the past six A grade finals, but Loxton was clearly on a mission this season recruiting Foreman from Berri and developing much-needed depth through its B grade.

Barmera also fell narrowly short in the C grade competition, going down 3-2 to Berri

in the grand finale.

RESULTS

A GRADE

Loxton d Barmera 4-1.

A. Hume d G. Shields 5/4, C. Wooldridge d T. Swanbury 2 up, C. Foreman lost to P. Johns 2/1, K. Rivett d D. Johns 1 up, B. Proud d M. Jericho 2/1.

B GRADE

Loxton d Barmera 3-2.

A. Pfeiler lost to M. Lewan 1 dn, D. Forbes d S. Pietrolaj 1 up, A. Lodge d C. Neilsen 4/3, B. Chapman d T. Wood 5/4, J. Henwood lost to G. Blythman 5/3.

C GRADE

Berri d Barmera 3-2.

B. Eckermann 3/2, M. Jennings lost to P. Selve 3/1, A. Giles d R. Wickstein 3/2, P. Jealous lost to S. Knight 4/2, W. Thiele d A. Kariuiki 3/2.

Bown blitzes Barmera

THE effervescent Dave Bown produced one of his finest rounds in recent times by posting 41 points to win Saturday's stableford competition at Barmera Golf Club.

The handicapper will have hard look at his 24 handicap as the Barmera Open nears.

In form Ady Selve was runner up with 37 points on a countback from Katherine visitor Anthony Adams.

Retired builders Eddie van Hensbergen and Nev Hamood were next best

on 36 points.

A large number of visitors resulted in more than 50 players taking part in the competition, despite a swag of members supporting our pennant teams at Loxton.

Long-serving paramedic Graham Walsh returned from heart surgery to win last week's Wednesday stableford with 41 points. The former Port Adelaide ruckman finished two ahead of president Nev McPherson and the ever reliable Paul Keane.

Loxton Basketball Club's failed AGM attempt a 'downer'

BEN LENNON

A SHORTAGE of volunteers has plunged one of the Riverland's most successful basketball clubs into short-term turmoil, with Loxton unable to hold its annual general meeting (AGM) earlier this month.

The meeting failed to muster a quorum, with less than nine people in attendance, leaving the club no choice but to reschedule.

Outgoing president Jason Hughes was disappointed with the turnout, particularly given the size of the club on the court.

"The reality is that we're a club with over 300 players but we couldn't even get 10 people to an AGM," Mr Hughes said.

"It's a bit of a downer when you have such a large and robust club and you can't get enough people and nobody seems to want to help out."

The club has enjoyed a fruitful nine years under Mr Hughes' leadership, with a steady increase of numbers and several on-court successes.

Mr Hughes and a number of regular fixtures on the committee are ready to move on, but their departure is being held up due to nobody stepping up to replace them.

Hughes believes the committee's steadiness in the past decade is partly why people are reluctant to help out.

"We've had a stable and constant committee over the last ten years, so it's a real changing of the guard I guess," he said.

"There's lots of people that have been around for a while coming to the end of their time and what we haven't had has been that growth.

"We've had a strong committee, but it's been the same committee.

"We've built the club from 28



The Loxton Basketball Club has been forced to postpone its AGM, after failing to gather a quorum earlier this month. The next attempt will be on Wednesday, June 1.

PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

teams to 40 in that period and moved into a new venue...

"Like a lot of clubs, people are forgetting that it takes volunteers."

Hughes has put the call out to the Loxton basketball community and is hoping to attract more people to the rescheduled meeting on Wednesday, June 1.

If a quorum is still unable to be attained, then Mr Hughes will again reschedule the meeting, with outgoing members of the commit-

tee steadfast in their view of now being the time to move on.

He said that the committee has been so successful because it has been able to "spread the load" across a number of members.

"We've rescheduled it for June 1 so we'd love for people to come along and talk to us, reach out and ask some questions," he said.

"As a club we probably need another six to eight people to come on to the committee to take on the

roles so we can spread the workload.

"For the president's role, while you're consulted on a lot of issues, you have others doing the work.

"We have people looking after the coaches, people looking after the stadium booking, someone else will do sponsorships and someone else does uniform.

"That's what makes a successful club: a lot of people doing a little bit rather than a few people doing a lot."



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TRIBUTE TO A LEGEND

FORMER Riverlanders Kaiden Brand and Jono Beech took part in the inaugural Russell Ebert tribute match on Sunday against a stacked Port Adelaide line-up.

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Thousands flocked to Loxton to witness the first ever Russell Ebert Tribute Match between West Adelaide and Port Adelaide on Sunday.

PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



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