

Welcome to our 108-page whopper

WELCOME to a whopping 108-page Murray Pioneer, featuring – among other things – the acclaimed Farmer magazine inserted free inside.

Farmer provides extensive coverage of primary industries throughout the region, including Kingston-On-Murray mulberry farmer Peter Szabo (pictured).

Also inside today's edition is a special Loxton Lights Festival supplement, timed to coincide with the launch of the town's much-loved Christmas festivities this Saturday.

INSIDE Farmer magazine

INSIDE Loxton Lights lift-out

POWER OUT: Council sells solar farm

BERRI Barmera Council has lost tens of thousands of dollars on a shovel-ready solar farm at the site of the former Berri racecourse, after finalising the sale of the project.

Council sold the project's development rights and existing intellectual property to Victorian-based Flow Power for \$300,000, plus a section of land on the racecourse site on Moritz Road for \$200,000, with details of the deal made public in last night's council meeting agenda.

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Swapping uniforms for prom outfits

IT'S prom week and Riverland year 12s will hit the dancefloor in style to celebrate the end of their schooling, with one group of students farewelling more than each other.

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Riverland clinic's direction to unvaxxed patients: WAIT IN YOUR CAR

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

UNVACCINATED patients will be forced to wait in their car before seeing a doctor at one Riverland clinic, while another local facility will only offer end-of-day appointments.

South Australia yesterday opened its borders to interstate visitors and in response the Renmark Medical Clinic

announced changed conditions, including all unvaccinated patients being offered "telephone or video call consultations" and face-to-face patients being forced to wait in their vehicles.

In addition, the Waikerie Medical Centre yesterday announced unvaccinated patients would also be offered telephone or telehealth appointments, and that any face-to-face appointments

would only be conducted at the end of the day.

Renmark Medical Clinic's "additional screening" includes patients exhibiting any of a long list of ailments – including a cough, sore throat or fatigue – being refused entry.

In a post on Facebook this week, the Waikerie Medical Centre said its patients would have to provide proof of their

Covid-19 vaccination status upon entry, while Renmark patients will be asked about their vaccination status, plus other questions, including "Are you feeling well today?"

The Waikerie facility said if a face-to-face appointment was required by an unvaccinated patient, an appointment at the end of each day would be offered.

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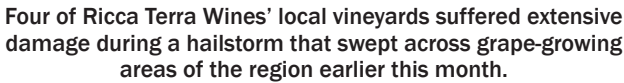
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Mr Macrae advised Riverland growers to avoid heavy watering on damaged

The full Australian Wine Research Institute Bouncing Back From Hail conference can be viewed by visiting the website (www.youtube.com/watch?v=YGA3I-kmY_Y).

They in fact finished one minute ahead.



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- ELYSE ARMANINI

A young man and woman in school uniforms are standing on a green lawn in front of a dense line of trees. The woman, on the left, is wearing a white polo shirt with 'Year 12' embroidered on the chest, a long plaid skirt, and white sneakers. She is holding up a pair of black high-heeled shoes. The man, on the right, is also wearing a white polo shirt with 'Year 12' on the chest, grey shorts, black socks, and black and white sneakers. He is holding up a pair of brown leather shoes. Both are smiling at the camera.

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The Waikerie Medical Centre is among some SA clinics minimising face-to-face contact with unvaccinated patients to protect their staff and vulnerable patients.

New rules for unvaccinated at local GPs

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“Waikerie Medical Centre has introduced this policy to provide a safe work environment, for all our staff and for the safety of all our patients, some of whom are vulnerable,” the Facebook post said.

However, the Berri Medical Clinic said it would continue to see both vaccinated and unvaccinated patients, although it recommended all patients receive a Covid-19 vaccination.

The Berri Medical Clinic also requested anyone with potential symptoms of the coronavirus to not attend the clinic.

“We will provide phone and carpark consultations to people that have any symptoms,” it said.

The Australian Medical Association’s federal vice president, Chris Moy, said other medical centres, including private practices across SA, were introducing similar measures to the Riverland clinics to protect their staff and vulnerable patients.

Dr Moy said encouraging telephone and telehealth appointments to unvaccinated

patients was not discriminatory, but doctors also had an ethical responsibility to treat patients.

“This is not discrimination, this is really trying to, based on risk... balance the needs of everybody, while keeping everybody as safe as possible,” he said.

“Doctors should not abandon patients particularly in an emergency.”

Dr Moy said some private clinics lacked the personal protection equipment of public medical clinics.

“Sometimes the public clinics have much more resources,” he said.

“It is a lot harder in private clinics because of the cost.”

He said encouraging unvaccinated patients who required face-to-face consultations to book at the end of the day also was minimising the risk of an outbreak at a medical centre.

“Unvaccinated patients pose not only a greater risk to staff and other patients,” he said, “but also a greater risk of closing a place down.”

Local hospitals ready to treat Covid patients



The Riverland General Hospital is ready to care for Covid-19 patients if required, according to the region’s local health network.

JOSH BRINE

THE region’s local health network say plans and resources are in place to care for Riverlanders requiring Covid-19 hospitalisation locally where possible, instead of transferring them to Adelaide.

In a statement, a Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) spokesperson said health services would be “well-prepared to manage and care for Covid-19 positive patients in their local community, as part of our transition to living with Covid-19”, after state borders reopened yesterday.

“More than 85 per cent of people over 16 years have had their first dose of Covid-19 vaccine and over 75 per cent have had their second dose, and for this reason it is expected that the majority of people can be cared for at home if they contract Covid,” they said.

“We are working to boost resources to support testing, quarantine and Covid-19-related care in our hospitals and are training staff on the care of Covid-19 patients.

“We are also linked in to SA Health resources should we need them.

“We will be able to provide

virtual care for people in their home if they have contracted Covid through remote monitoring using technology supported by our community health teams.”

The spokesperson said the RMCLHN’s two major hospitals, the Riverland General Hospital in Berri and the Murray Bridge Soldier’s Memorial Hospital, were both “Covid-19 receiving hospitals that can assess, stabilise, treat and transfer Covid-19 patients in need of care”.

“Both hospitals have dedicated wards (negative pressure rooms) that have been designed for this purpose,” they said.

“Acutely unwell Covid-positive patients will continue to be transferred to the Royal Adelaide Hospital for treatment as per existing healthcare processes.

“Each of our hospitals have protocols in place regarding the treatment of Covid-19 patients, including specific spaces separate from people who do not have Covid, along with personal protective equipment and Covid-19 related cleaning protocols.”

Opposition health spokesperson Chris Picton said country hospital clinicians

were “overworked and understaffed as it is”.

“Now that the government has apparently changed the plan and expecting these hospitals to manage Covid patients, Steven Marshall must reveal what the plan is for how they can do that,” he said.

“So far all the Covid beds the Liberal Government has promised have been in the broader Adelaide region. What help will country hospitals get on staffing? On infection control? On training? On ventilation?

“If the Government expects country hospitals to manage their own Covid patients, they need to provide those hospitals with an immediate resourcing boost and support developing Covid response plans.”

The RMCLHN said it wanted to “reassure the community that our emergency services will remain available” and encouraged locals to get vaccinated.

“People can get vaccinated at some pharmacies, GP practices, the Riverland Plaza vaccination hub, and keep an eye on the Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network Facebook Page for details on our mobile vaccination clinic,” it said.



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ac.care to host vaccine clinic this week

A LOCAL non-profit organisation is preparing to host another pop-up vaccination clinic later this week.

ac.care is partnering with the Country SA Primary Health Network to hold the clinic at its Berri site at 5 Keally Street this Friday, November 26, from 9am to 3pm.

Anyone is welcome to book an appointment to receive the Pfizer vaccine at no cost.

While the clinic has been established to support clients of ac.care, including its Riverland Homelessness Service, the service is being made available to anyone in the region.

“It’s one way we are contributing to ensuring all South Australians, especially vulnerable people in country areas, are able to access to the vaccine,” said Riverland Homelessness Service manager Michelle Story.

ac.care previously held a vaccination clinic in late October. Call 8580 5300 for more information or to book an appointment.



Checking out the progress of the Taplan Road sealing last week were Loxton Waikerie council’s road construction and capital projects co-ordinator, deputy mayor Trevor Norton, councillors Sonya Altschwager and Peter Walker, Barker MP Tony Pasin, council’s director of infrastructure services Greg Perry and councillors Michael Vowles and Terry Wheeldon. Taplan Road recently had 17kms prepared and bituminised under phase two of the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program. Last week, an additional \$1.65m as part of phase three was announced. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

More cash for Loxton Waikerie

LOXTON Waikerie council will benefit from \$1.65m in funding in a bid to support local jobs, businesses and boost the economy.

Barker MP Tony Pasin announced the latest funding as phase three of the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program while in the region last week.

“Every single project we support makes a huge difference to our local community,” he said.

“That is why we have moved quickly to approve this stimulus funding.

“Partnering with the District Council of Loxton Waikerie to ensure we deliver these projects for local communities will not only support jobs, construction businesses and economic growth across Barker, it will also improve road safety and bolster the resilience of our local road networks, helping Australians get home sooner and safer.”

Under phase one of the program, council received \$825,615 for Taplan Road and Enduro Road resheeting and reconstruction.

Under phase two, Loxton Waikerie council received \$859,096 for toilet upgrades, a sealed walking trail from Snake Island to Bookpurnong Terrace, and upgrades to

Loxton and Waikerie townships, including lighting and new street furniture.

Phase three projects are yet to be determined by council, however construction will take place between January 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.

Combined, the program’s three phases have seen \$3.33m delivered to Loxton Waikerie council.

“I’m looking forward to receiving the council’s list of phase three projects noting that the Federal Government has provided a further \$1,651,230 to the District Council of Loxton Waikerie for additional economic stimulus under that phase.” Mr Pasin said.

Loxton Waikerie Mayor Leon Stasinowsky said Taplan Road was currently being sealed, thanks to the program.

“This project has been 50 years in the making, with half funded by council and half by federal government, under the Heavy Vehicle Safety Productivity Program (HVSPP),” he said.

“A special thank you goes to Mr Tony Pasin, of whom this project could not have been completed without.”

Yamba’s gateway to cross-border freedom



Victorian caravanners were among those making their way into South Australia yesterday morning after the border opened at midnight. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

THE Yamba checking station was the place to be at 12.01am yesterday, with cars and caravans lining up to get into South Australia when the border officially opened to interstate travellers.

A Mildura woman on her way to Adelaide yesterday morning said she passed through the border “without a problem”.

“I thought we would be there for hours,” she said.

“I’m from Mildura, which is basically an extension of the Riverland, but we’ll stop in Loxton for a little while to stretch our legs.”

Around 9am yesterday, it seemed police were randomly stopping cars as they passed through the fruit fly checking station, however most were waved through within minutes without police checks.

The woman running the Yamba service station said a lot of cars stopped for petrol as they entered the state, but she expected the road to become busier as the day progressed.

Monday afternoon saw almost 30,000 registrations from across Australia submitted to enter the state through the EntryCheck SA website.

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

Extraordinary school year

FOR those from a certain era, the first reaction to Schoolies Week is often ‘tut tut’, while the much-hyped high school proms – or formals – might elicit a raised eyebrow or two, given the fuss and expense often involved. But if ever a year 12 cohort deserved a chance to celebrate, it is the class of 2021 – and the class of 2020 also.

The extraordinary circumstances of the past two school years have made their year 12 journeys different to their predecessors. Covid-19 has affected what they can and cannot do, and last year several rites of passage were simply scrapped for the greater good.

Therefore is it reassuring to hear a senior Riverland high school student say – in today’s Murray Pioneer – that the extra challenges posed by Covid-19 restrictions have served to draw students even closer together.

Hopefully that is correct and the adversity this group has stared down serves them in good stead, cancelling out any negatives arising from their interrupted learning over the past two years.



Veitch General Store and new EJ Holden, 1964: Veitch was a small railway siding 27km south of Loxton. From 1864, the site was part of Thurk pastoral station and was apparently named after a Scotsman, Veitch, who dug the well there. Veitch is where the road crosses the Alawoona-Loxton railway that opened in 1914. The post office opened the next year. Subsequently there were 11 postal agents. Longest serving were John Heinicke, 15 years from 1918, and Albert Engel, 20 years from 1933. John Kelly, nine years from 1972, says the mouse plague of the 1980s was a boon for the store. To help the struggling farmers, he sold mouse bait at cost-price. This brought many farmers to the store, where they discovered and bought from the full range of farm supplies. These sales were “life-saver” for the store. The store sold various fuels, Goodyear Tyres, Bushells tea and other groceries, plus windmill and other farm items. Keith Munchenberg recalls that following the boom years in the early-1920s, the 1970s and 1980s saw farm profits decline, farms and farm-machinery grow bigger and farm populations grow smaller. Slowly but surely the little Mallee town declined until, in 1983, the store closed. PHOTO: Perc Munchenberg

Vaccine protestors deserve better

The critics will likely emerge after today’s Pioneer’s story on Barmera man Con Doupis and his participation in last weekend’s Covid-19 vaccination march in Adelaide.

They believe such opinions should not be given oxygen, and that reporting on such matters is irresponsible and promotes ‘vaccine hesitancy’ and/or anti-vaccination viewpoints.

Indeed, some may be affronted to consume anything other than the pro-vaccination messages they have become accustomed to from Australian media.

However, denying – by omission – that marches took place across Australian capital cities last weekend, or downplaying the crowd numbers, as many news outlets have done, strays into propaganda territory and can have something of a reverse effect.

If those involved believe the mainstream media is treating them poorly, and their views are being ignored or twisted – such as conflating anti-vaccine mandates with anti-vaxxers, as the NT Chief Minister disgracefully did this week – they are less likely to seek views beyond their own circles, and their distrust of mainstream media and its reporting will only fester.

As a local example, Adelaide’s Sunday Mail could barely contain its disdain for the protest and those involved, shunting coverage of the event to page 14 and failing to mention the astonishing crowd numbers in a simultaneous event in Melbourne, where the estimated attendance was up to 300,000 people, prompting some to claim it exceeded the Vietnam protest marches.

The views of attendees may or may not ultimately be proven ‘wrong’, but treating them in this manner, and highlighting only the handful of crackpots that any large gathering inevitably attracts – and presenting their views as representative of the entire group – is manipulative, disingenuous and simply poor form.

Had last Saturday’s protests been staged by Black Lives Matter or a climate change group the ‘news’ coverage and its prominence would have been much different.

Like it not, the numbers of those marching, while well in the minority, are significant and only by airing views in the public arena can honest debates be had, and opinions be changed or reinforced, and any false claims debunked.

Hands off Loxton’s jacaranda trees

SHAME on the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee of the Loxton Waikerie council for contemplating removing the magnificent jacaranda trees that have been part of our main street for many years.

Take a good look at them. They may be straggly – though a good prune at the right time will fix that – but they are flowering profusely at the moment.

They are complementing the lush green lawn under them, the recently renovated memorial rotunda, and the soon-to-be heritage-listed library/visitor information centre building.

Even the two recent storms couldn’t disturb them. They remain tall and stately.

In our hot, normally dry climate, the whole area, including the jacaranda trees, is conducive to improving our mental health and mindfulness as we go about our daily business and admire the trees’ beauty.

Some special attention might be all they need. They are an important part of our heritage.

MARIAN WOODBERRY
Loxton

CO2 claims taking us for a ride?

DR Patrick Moore was a founding member of Greenpeace and if you want to hear some interesting, real science logic about the relationship between CO2 and climate make the effort to YouTube or Google two or three of his lectures and seminars.

Interestingly he believes atmospheric levels of CO2 have been diminishing over the past few millions of years to dangerously low levels with respect to healthy plant activity.

Like the rest of us he agrees the climate is changing. It always has and always will, but as he puts it “atmospheric levels of CO2 are not the control knob for climate”.

If Dr Patrick Moore is right in his interpretation of climate science and others are not, then we are all at risk of being taken for the biggest ride of all time.

JEFF KNISPEL
Mooroork

Council’s relationship with the local hotel

OVER recent weeks there have been a couple of very interesting letters regarding the Berri Barmera Council and the Berri Community Hotel Group.

Through its actions regarding the supposed auctioning of the land on Riverview Drive, the council has eroded all trust of the community to do the right thing.

How it can justify going against its own publicly stated edict on how the auction would be handled beggars belief. I doubt it can justify that action.

With the exception, I believe, of one councillor, the rest owe the ratepayers an explanation as to their actions.

Then we have the purchase of a building for \$450,000 done apparently in secret and allowing another \$50,000 to fix it up, then having the CEO say she’s not sure what it will be used for.

What was so secretive about this purchase?

Like many in the area, I have often thought the community hotel board has had far too much influence on decisions made by council supposedly for the benefit of the people of Berri.

The last one – changing Riverview Drive from the intersection of Vaughan Terrace up past the hotel – turned out to be a very bad decision and has cost

us, the ratepayers, dearly.

The council needs to realise that this board does not speak for the majority. Is it only wanting to feather its nest?

To imply that they would withhold grants/sponsorship to get what they want is a low act.

Like a number of people in the area, I am ‘for’ having a Liquorland open up in the Riverland Central Plaza and indicated that in a phone survey.

Of course the hotel would be against it, that’s only natural. However, it would make life a lot easier for me on the rare occasions I purchase alcohol and the competition would be good for the existing two bottle shops.

I agree with the writer of one letter who said that the fact it is too close to the high school really has no bearing on the issue, as staff would be trained to ask for ID before selling to possibly underaged young people.

Another thing councillors need to remember is that they got voted in but they can also be voted out.

J.L. CHAMBERS
Berri

In stormy times, we need faith

THANKS for the cartoonist’s comment on November 10 concerning the storms.

He said: “Hello God. We aren’t impressed with what you have been delivering lately.”

It reminds me of a quote from the Bible, in Psalm 130, where the writer expresses despair to God: “Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.”

He had a similar reaction to some tragic event.

Thankfully we can call out to God. He listens and helps.

He is not obliged to send us the good weather we want,

though he often does. If it comes to obligations, we are obliged to treat him well and treat him as the God he is.

He is a kind, loving, merciful and forgiving God, even though he allows us to go through tough times.

Sometimes he uses hard times to get our attention, though there are also other reasons.

When things go well we often forget him, which is our loss.

To know him is to know someone wonderful. In hard times he listens and helps us. He is open to us expressing our feelings to him, including despairing ones.

Psalm 130 also says: “If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins; O Lord, who could stand? With you there is forgiveness.”

It invites us to put our hope in God, “for with him is unfailing love”.

CHRIS GEORG
Loxton

Modelling for Covid, and Basin Plan

IT has been interesting to watch the response from Australia’s federal and state governments to the Covid-19 pandemic, in particular the constant changes to their so-called ‘roadmaps’.

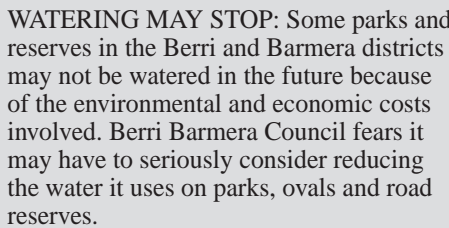
Recent reports tell us the modelling around infection number forecasts was on the pessimistic side, and as a consequence the number of people catching Covid-19 and requiring either treatment or hospitalisation has been less than predicted.

As a consequence we have seen numerous alterations to ‘roadmaps’ (apart from Western Australia).

This is sensible politics. All scientific modelling is just that, modelling. It’s a prediction that is not exact.

So, why don’t governments adopt this same approach to

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Council finalises long-awaited solar project sale... Power down

JOSH BRINE

BERRI Barmera Council has lost tens of thousands of dollars on a shovel-ready solar farm at the site of the former Berri racecourse, after finalising the sale of the project.

Council sold the project’s development rights and existing intellectual property to Victorian-based Flow Power for \$300,000, plus a section of land on the racecourse site on Moritz Road for \$200,000, with details of the deal made public in last night’s council meeting agenda.

Since the 2016/17 financial year, council spent \$557,532 on the project, including legal fees incurred during the sale process, losing more than \$50,000 plus the Moritz Road allotment in the deal.

Council decided to sell the project rights after Accolade Wines reneged on a proposed power-purchasing agreement in 2019.

Council CEO Karyn Burton,

who took the lead on the project during the sale process after a preferred bidder was selected, said selling the project was “never the intention” when it was first conceived.

“It was intended to be a project that was going to return quite a significant amount of commercial revenue to council, but that’s not how it panned out,” she said.

“Councils aren’t in the business of building solar farms or providing power, and that was why once Accolade pulled out of the project it was no longer viable for council to continue...

“We’ve done the best we can to recoup those costs and make sure something did eventuate from that whole process.”

The original decision to construct a 10-megawatt solar farm was passed unanimously at a January 2017 council meeting, following a recommendation by then-CEO David Beaton.

The project was expected to cost \$25m, with \$20m loaned from the Local Government Finance Authority and \$5m from the state government – all since returned.

Council initially announced agreements with Accolade and the Central Irrigation Trust to purchase power from the solar farm once it was completed.

However, after Accolade pulled out of the deal, council resolved to seek expressions of interest for the project rights, having already spent \$345,000 and planning to spend a further \$155,000 for an SA Power Networks connection.

Following this process, council shortlisted four interested parties, with Flow Power selected as the preferred bidder in February 2020.

Negotiations concluded in March 2021, with both parties signing a “term sheet”.

“Right from the outset council had always said the project would only be viable if we had that pow-



Berri Barmera Council mayor Peter Hunt, at the site of the proposed solar farm project in 2018.

er-purchasing agreement in place with someone like Accolade,” Ms Burton said.

“When that didn’t occur the project was no longer viable.

“We looked at a few different scenarios and in the end the best course of action with the least risk to council was to sell the project to a business that is in the business of solar.”

Council also engaged a lawyer to produce a full probity report on the sale process.

“It’s assurance for council that we have done the process correctly to ensure transparency and that all our resolutions were followed correctly, so that anyone who may have had misgivings as to our processes were satisfied they were above board,” Ms Burton said.

“I’d have hated for something to have happened during that process that was incorrect and have the whole thing unravel towards the end.”

Ms Burton said Flow Power is expected to begin construction on the project by the end of this year.

Flow Power was contacted for comment, but failed to respond in time for print.

Chop chop for the Loxton jacarandas

LOXTON’S long-standing main street trees will have one last summer before being removed next year.

Loxton Waikerie councillors voted unanimously to remove the trees, following a recommendation by the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee.

Speaking at the meeting, councillor Sonya Altschwager said it was time to “bite the bullet”.

“I know this is probably going to be a sensitive topic in the community, but I think it’s really important that we be brave and plant for the future,” she said.

“At one point, the jacarandas were beautiful and healthy, but like everything, they get old.”



Councillor Jody Flavel questioned when the 13 jacaranda trees would be lopped.

“Such as they are, at least it’s a bit of a shade tree during the summer months,” he said.

Council’s director of infrastructure services Greg Perry said while an arborist’s report

into the condition of the jacarandas was yet to be completed, the trees would be lopped in autumn.

“I was hoping to have an arborist’s report ready for today, but unfortunately he couldn’t get there,” he said.

“So hopefully in the next week or so we will get that.”

Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee recommended that the jacaranda trees be replaced with established Chinese elm trees, using surplus street tree funding of \$20,000.

Councillor Deb Thiele questioned the replacement tree choice.

“There is no doubting that (the jacaranda trees) are pretty sad looking,” she said.

“I wouldn’t automatically say Chinese

elm, but a more suitable tree.”

Councillor Michael Vowles said the ill health of the jacaranda trees became apparent in 2015.

“We have pollarded them several times to try and reinvigorate them, we’ve upped the water, taken the lawn back around the bottom and I think council has done a good job to try and bring them back to life,” he said.

“(However), 2009 and 2010 knocked them back and they never recovered.”

Cr Vowles encouraged fellow councillors to view examples of Chinese elms at the Riverland General Hospital car park or the new ones planted in the Loxton Woolworths overflow car park.

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GOING DOWN: Loxton Waikerie council agreed to remove the jacaranda trees surrounding the East Terrace rotunda at its meeting on Friday. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Council's new-look pool making a splash

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

SOLAR heating for pools, shaded areas, and improved access are part of extensive renovations completed at a Riverland town's swimming centre.

Renmark Paringa Council representatives, Barker MP Tony Pasin and members of the Vitor Renmark Swimming Club, attended an opening ceremony for the renovated Renmark Swimming Centre last week.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson said the redeveloped pool – which was originally opened in 1975 – would be used for next year's swimming SA Country Championships.

"We now have a community asset which has been restored to its former glory and will provide much recreational fun to our community and visitors," Mr Martinson said.

"While much of the work done was behind the scenes, I'm sure the community will agree with me in saying how fantastic the pool looks.

"We're looking forward to this coming swim season and Renmark hosting the Country Championships. The centre looks great and we hope those who use it enjoy it."

Council is set to hold an official opening day for the centre on Sunday, December 19.

The Renmark Swimming Centre project had a budget of \$3.5 million, with \$500,000 funding coming through the Federal Government's



Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson (left), showed Barker MP Tony Pasin the completed renovations at the Renmark Swimming Centre last week. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Community Sport Aus Program.

Barker MP Tony Pasin said the project had employment and social benefits for the wider community.

"I know how important these developments and upgrades are because I recognise the social and community benefits that come from modern and safe local sporting facilities," Mr Pasin said.

"These upgrades transform a tired facility into one in which people of all ages and abilities can swim in safety.

"I am pleased to partner with the Renmark Paringa Council to ensure projects like the

Renmark Swimming Centre works:

❑ A new compliant filtration system to keep the pool operating more efficiently.

❑ Wet deck edges on the 50m pool with upgraded hobs to competition standard, and new diving blocks.

❑ Solar heating for the learn to swim and toddler pools,

and a solar blanket for the 50m pool.

❑ New access ramp, and new concourse around the 50m pool.

❑ New liner inside the pool.

❑ New shade shelters on the northern and western sides of the 50m pool.

Renmark Swimming Pool redevelopment are undertaken to support jobs in our local communities, but more importantly to make the Riverland an even better place to live, work and

raise a family." Works for the Renmark Swimming Centre project were undertaken by Adelaide-based contractors Hydrilla and Southfront.

Submissions open for swimming club lease

RESIDENTS of a Riverland town have been invited to provide feedback on a local sports club's potential new lease.

Renmark Paringa Council last week opened public submissions regarding a proposed new lease for the Vitor Renmark Swimming Club.

The leased area – located within the Renmark Swimming Pool grounds – would cover clubrooms and a storage shed.

Submissions on the proposed lease can be sent by mail and email, or by hand, to Renmark Paringa Council before 5pm on Wednesday, December 8.

Further information is available by contacting council on 8586 3000.



Riverland youth arrested for graffiti

A RIVERLAND youth will face court on several charges of spray-painting graffiti in a local town last week.

Police received several reports of graffiti damage to cars and buildings in Derrick Street, Loader Street and the Riverland Central Plaza on Kay Avenue – all in Berri – between 9am on Monday, November 15, and 7am on Tuesday, November 16.

Police said damage from the graffiti is estimated at thousands of dollars.

Following an investigation a 16-year-old local male was then arrested by police around 11am on Wednesday, November 17, and charged with five counts of marking graffiti.

It is understood the man was bailed and will appear in the Berri Youth Court on December 22.

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Loxton Lutheran School will benefit from a federal grant program, with classrooms and a staff office to be built, and play areas improved. Pictured are students Levi Milton, Clara Reid, Sam Williams and Trinity Nitschke, with principal Brad Williams and Barker MP Tony Pasin, who delivered the good news. PHOTO: supplied

Loxton Lutheran’s 600K learning boost

A RIVERLAND school will benefit from federal funding for new facilities, including classrooms and a staff office, plus improved play areas.

Loxton Lutheran School will receive \$600,000 in funding towards the project as part of the Capital Grants Program.

Barker MP Tony Pasin said the

school’s learning environment would be enhanced by the new facilities.

“Students and staff at Loxton Lutheran School will benefit from the project to construct four new classrooms, a learning common, a breakout space, withdrawal rooms, a staff office and verandas,” Mr Pasin said.

“Students and teachers thrive when their schools have modern and up-to-date facilities.

“I congratulate Loxton Lutheran School on their successful grant application and look forward to seeing the positive impact these new facilities will have on the school community.”

Principal Brad Williams said the

school was pleased to receive the funding.

“This application process was very competitive,” he said.

Loxton Lutheran School has increased to about 200 students in recent years and Mr Williams said the new facilities would be well used.

“We don’t have a spare learning

space here at the moment,” he said.

“All of our classrooms are full or being utilised.

“We are seeing strong interest and growth in the school and to be able to accommodate that, we needed some extra rooms.”

Mr Williams thanked the school board and community for their continued support.

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TERMITES: Calls for better maintenance of institute...



Termites have damaged the kitchen floor in the Waikerie Institute making the area unsafe for the Santa's Cave Shop this year.
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A termite infestation in the Waikerie Institute's former projector room.
PHOTO: supplied

Santa's Cave in the clear

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A WAIKERIE historian is urging the Loxton Waikerie council to better maintain the Waikerie Institute following the discovery of termites in the building.

A cloud hung over this year's Waikerie Santa's Cave last week, until a thermal pest inspection of the roof – organised by the council – confirmed the roof over the institute hall was safe.

Members of the Waikerie Santa's Cave committee discovered the termites in the floor of Waikerie Institute's kitchen two weeks ago, when they started setting up the iconic Waikerie Christmas attraction.

Waikerie District Historical Society chairwoman, Julie Webber, said it was a relief Santa's Cave could continue following the inspection on Thursday.

However, she remained concerned the termites were not discovered earlier and that the Waikerie Institute had been allowed to deteriorate.

Ms Webber said six-monthly inspections for termites were insufficient and said the pests had been discovered there before.

"It hasn't been maintained as it could have been," Ms Webber said.

"Perhaps someone has not done their job as accurately as they should have, or as efficiently as they should have."

Following the discovery, inspections of the building were carried out by a local pest control company, a local builder and a structural engineer.

The inspections found termites in the northern end of the building, in the kitchen, former projector room, and a store room used by Santa's Cave.

Ms Webber said more also needed to be done to repair the building's salt damage and cracks.

She said the building – officially opened in 1921 – had significant historical value to the town, as it was the venue for balls, local theatre and school performances, weddings, and movie screenings.

Ms Webber said she hoped the council would learn from the deterioration of the Waikerie Institute and do more to maintain other historic buildings in the town.

Waikerie Santa's Cave committee president, Lizzie Platten, also called for more regular inspections to keep the termites at bay.

She said their discovery in the kitchen meant the Christmas shop had to be scaled back this year and instead placed in the hall, reducing the number of scenes that could be displayed.

"We used to have a separate Santa's Shop, but the good thing is we managed to incorpo-

rate it into the hall," she said.

"But it is reduced, based on the termites."

Loxton Waikerie Council's director of commercial and community services, Andrew Waters said the Waikerie Institute's preservation and maintenance was a council priority.

"It is an iconic and beautiful building in such a prominent location in the CBD," he said.

Mr Waters said it was important to ensure the Institute was maintained to enable community groups can continue using the building.

He said the Institute hosted events including Waikerie Santa's Cave, the Waikerie and Districts Community Flower Show and Riverland West Citrus Fest.

Mr Waters said spraying of the termites in the northern part of the building began two weeks ago and an ongoing baiting program would also be implemented.

He said the Waikerie Institute would be checked for termite activity every two weeks.

Loxton Waikerie Council's Waikerie Deliver's Committee has formed a working group to investigate the current usage profile of the Waikerie Institute and identify future opportunities for the building.

Mr Waters said the committee would consult the community on how the building could be used in the future.

"They will talk with the community and come up with ideas for the building," he said.

"(They will) bring this back to council to have a plan moving forward."



Incoming Loxton Police Station sergeant Steve Hunter is pictured with outgoing sergeant Mark Howie. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Changing of the guard

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

LOXTON has a new police sergeant, with Sgt Steve Hunter stepping into the role.

Former Loxton Sgt Mark Howie has taken up a new position at Berri police station and said Sgt Hunter would be an asset to the Loxton community.

"Steve has been a sergeant for a long time and has worked in a lots of different areas, so he's going to be no worries," Senior Sgt Howie said.

While new to the Loxton station, Sgt Hunter is no stranger to the Riverland, having worked from Berri since 2012.

Sgt Hunter also served in Whyalla from 2001 to 2012 and said the Riverland was now home.

"I like the lifestyle of the river, skiing, getting outside and going camping," he said.

Sgt Hunter urged locals to report incidents promptly to police.

"Ring us when things happen," he said.

Meanwhile, after six years in the top job, senior Sgt Mark Howie thanked the Loxton community for its support.

The Loxton Police Station is open Monday to Friday, 1pm to 5pm. However, station hours may vary due to police patrols.

In an emergency, call 000. For police assistance, call 131 444, or to contact the Loxton Police Station directly, call 8584 7283.



Fruit Fly Update

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- **Cook** your fruit – preserve, bake, juice, blend or freeze it.
- **Call** the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 if you suspect fruit fly. Seal the fruit in a plastic bag.

A fruit fly outbreak resource kit is now available, with assets for use at events and community gardens. It includes key messages, posters for outbreak areas and community gardens, bin signage and videos.

We encourage you to use these resources to help raise awareness of the fruit fly outbreaks currently impacting your area.

The full resource kit can be found at fruitfly.sa.gov.au/promo-kit

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Workers in healthcare facilities in Barmera, Berri and Loxton have taken part in work bans over the past two weeks. PHOTOS: supplied




‘Safety, job security’ trigger health strike

JOSH BRINE
RIVERLANDERS working in healthcare facilities have taken industrial action, expressing concerns over job security and infection control as the state reopens its borders.

United Workers Union (UWU) members, including cleaners, catering staff and aged care workers, at the Berri and Barmera hospitals undertook “work bans” last Thursday due to claims of lapses in cleaning and infection control procedures.
The union cited an alleged incident at the

Barmera Hospital where workers had been unknowingly entering the room of a resident receiving chemotherapy for two years, risking exposure to cytotoxic drugs.
The UWU has also alleged repeated failures at the Riverland General Hospital to notify catering workers entering the rooms of infectious patients.
A Riverland UWU delegate, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said workers were “definitely worried” about infection control in the event of a possible local Covid-19 outbreak.
“I don’t really know how the hospital’s going to handle it actually because it only has a small area (for Covid-19 patients),” they said.
UWU public sector co-ordinator Paul Blackmore claimed the failures were the result of an under-resourced and understaffed healthcare sector.
“Understaffing is very general but when you think about having understaffing with cleaners you’re not able to clean all the areas and facilities, which is quite concerning,” he said.
“We’ve got these processes which aren’t being followed where precautions need to be put on rooms where there have been infectious patients or infection risk and that hasn’t been occurring.
“Staff are doing as much as they can with the resources they have, but there is concern for the potential risk of cross-contamination for staff, patients and the entire community.”
Two weeks ago, UWU members in Berri, Barmera and Loxton also participated in work stoppages, seeking better job security amid ongoing enterprise bargaining with the state government.
“The government want to remove provisions from the agreement that protect jobs from privatisation,” Mr Blackmore said.
“Our workers really have been on the frontline of the Covid pandemic, keeping

our community safe and we say that the government is treating these workers with contempt.
“It’s continuing with its agenda to make it easier to cut their jobs and privatise services.”
The local UWU delegate said essential healthcare workers were “at breaking point”.
“Here’s a message to Premier (Steven) Marshall – everything is not okay,” they said.
“We’re sick and tired of having corners cut, not being heard in our workplace, being understaffed, not knowing if our jobs are secure at the end of the day and having no work-life balance.
“We as UWU members in the Riverland will stand in solidarity, we will fight for our rights and we will get the respect, fair wages and job security we deserve.”
Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) CEO Wayne Champion said he was “happy to work directly with the United Workers Union to discuss any concerns they may have”.
“The safety and wellbeing of our staff and patients is our number one priority,” he said.
“We are aware of an incident of signage not correctly displayed outside a patient room, however this has been investigated and found there was no impact on patient or staff and a solution has been put in place to ensure it does not occur again...
“Our staff always have access to the correct PPE (personal protective equipment) for their clinical duties.
“We are always looking at ways to improve our services in the Riverland and consult with a wide range of stakeholders for ongoing feedback and ideas.”
Workers at 45 other healthcare facilities in South Australia also participated in the industrial action.
The UWU said work bans were “carefully designed” to avoid compromising patient safety.



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Barmera man Con Doupis and his son, Jesse, 11, at Saturday's Covid-19 vaccination protest in Rundle Park, Adelaide. PHOTO: supplied

Riverland families at Covid-19 ‘freedom’ protest in Adelaide

BARMERA father-of-three and local fruit grower Con Doupis says he was among a number of Riverlanders to attend last Saturday’s anti-Covid-19 vaccination and anti-mandate march in Adelaide.

Accompanied by his family, Mr Doupis took part in the peaceful protest, which attracted a crowd of between 10,000 and 50,000 – depending on who was making the estimation.

“I bumped into about four Riverland families there,” Mr Doupis said.

“The TV news that night said about 10,000 people, but it was a lot more than that. I would think about 40,000

“It would nearly have filled the Adelaide Oval. It was unbelievable.”

Mr Doupis, who described the mood as “passionate, but calm”, said claims the protest comprised exclusively anti-vaxxers were inaccurate.

“There was a lot of us who don’t want to be vaccinated, but also lots of vaccinated people there,” he said.

“Many of the vaccinated people there are against vaccine mandates.

“They say people shouldn’t be pushed to be vaccinated and that was spo-

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ken about a lot on the day.”

Mr Doupis said including speeches at Rundle Park and a march through the city, the entire exercise took over two hours. He said vaccination side effects was a key topic.

“What was mainly spoken about were the injuries from vaccines that are being kept quiet,” he said.

“Everyone knows people who have been affected after getting vaccinated, but they don’t get reported.

“The other topic was vaccine passports.

“They’ve got their target of 80 per cent, so why do they need passports? They keep moving the goal posts.”

Mr Doupis said many in the crowd were upset at what they claim has been incorrect media reporting on the protests, including crowd estimations.

“It doesn’t fit the media’s agenda to give accurate crowd numbers, because they want everyone to get vaccinated at all costs,” he said.

“Melbourne on Saturday

was massive, one of the biggest marches ever, but a lot of people probably wouldn’t know that.”

South Australia officially opened its borders to interstate visitors yesterday and in response a number of SA venues, including Adelaide Oval, have placed a blanket ban on unvaccinated patrons.

In addition, SA has introduced a mandatory vaccination policy requiring all teachers and education staff to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 from 2022 onwards.

As of yesterday, over 77 per cent of South Australians were double-vaccinated, but Mr Doupis said the numbers at Saturday’s protest left him feeling less isolated.

“I felt very positive because it was confirmation that there are way more people out there who want to stand for their freedoms...” he said.

“‘Don’t feel alone’ is my advice to other people who feel the same as me. The media is lying when it says there are very few of us.”

Last weekend’s rally was the second Mr Doupis had attended in Adelaide.

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Local myocarditis adverse reactions stay ‘confidential’

JOSH BRINE

DETAILS on whether any Riverlanders have had adverse reactions to Covid-19 vaccinations, including myocarditis, will remain out of the public’s eye due to “patient confidentiality”.

A federal Department of Health spokesperson said the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) “does not comment publicly on details of individual adverse event following immunisation reports that have been submitted in order to protect patient confidentiality”.

“The TGA publishes detailed information about our monitoring of Australian myocarditis cases in the Covid-19 vaccine weekly safety report,” they said.

“The TGA does not publish information on the state and territory of cases of myocarditis.”

SA Health and Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone earlier this month refuted claims circulating online that a group of Riverland school students had developed myocarditis after receiving the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine.

SA Health said it was “not aware of a group of myocarditis cases in the Riverland region”.

The Department of Health said myocarditis was a rare effect on the heart that may occur after vaccination with the mRNA vaccines.

“Cases typically occur within 10 days,

Tim calls out ‘false’ myocarditis rumours



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and usually resolve after a few days following treatment and rest,” they said.

“In Australia, myocarditis is reported in about one out of every 100,000 people after receiving the Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine.

“While it is more commonly reported in young men and teenage boys after the second dose (four to seven cases in 100,000 people) it remains rare.

“Myocarditis is seen much more commonly in people who become infected with Covid-19 than in people who are vaccinated.

“The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) continues to emphasise that the protective benefits of the mRNA vaccines far outweigh the rare risk of these side effects in all eligible age groups.”

People are encouraged to report suspected adverse events following vaccination to the TGA.

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Waikerie improvement committees to merge?

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

TWO Waikerie committees dedicated to improving the local community’s facilities will likely merge after councillors agreed to review both groups.

At Friday’s Loxton Waikerie council meeting, councillor Peter Walker requested that council review the purpose of both Waikerie Delivers and the Waikerie Ramco Recreation Grounds Committee with a view to a merger.

“Waikerie Delivers was put in place to aid the prosperity strategy, (but now) Waikerie Delivers itself has moved on from that,” he said.

“I struggle to understand what they are actually doing. They are taking up staff resources.

“There is enough councillors here to look after Waikerie’s interests.”

Councillors have questioned the role of both committees at recent meetings following a

number of overlapping items between the two.

Waikerie Delivers was established in 2017 as a result of the Waikerie Prosperity Strategy and aimed to bring community leaders and councillors together to advise the council on the implementation of the strategy.

Council’s director of infrastructure Greg Perry said current committee numbers supported the merge.

“We actually advertised for a position for the Waikerie Ramco Recreation Grounds Committee vacancy, but we didn’t get anyone to apply for it,” he said.

“We just had another resignation... so we are down to eight members for the rec and grounds committee.”

CEO David Beaton said a lot of what Waikerie Delivers was established for “has been delivered”, while previous Waikerie Delivers chairperson and councillor Kym Webber said a merger would be a “good move”.

Carp Frenzy award recognition

A RIVERLAND event has won a state-recognised award for making significant contributions to regional South Australia.

SA Carp Frenzy was presented with the Community Empowerment award at the annual Regional Showcase program in the Adelaide Hills Convention Centre last Friday.

Since its inception in 2013, the SA Carp Frenzy – the state’s biggest carp fishing competition – has removed more than 29,000 European carp from the Murray Darling Basin, mainly from Lake Bonney, but also Loch Luna and Chambers Creek, while also raising \$90,000 to help community organisations such as the Barmera Scout Group and the Lake Bonney Yacht Club.

More than 800 fishers caught a total of 2277 carp and raised \$18,838 at this year’s Carp Frenzy event on Saturday, March 13.

Next year, the event will be held on Saturday, March 5.

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Celebrating the Community Empowerment win at the Regional Showcase awards recently were Kay and Kym Manning. Mr Manning was one of two people to come up with the idea for Carp Frenzy. PHOTO: Facebook

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Speakers will be Senator Penny Wong, state MLC Dennis Hood, on behalf of Premier Steven Marshall and Treasurer Rob Lucas, and Opposition Leader Peter Malinauskas.

Dr Ash Hocking, from the Doug Henderson Asbestos Research Centre, will talk about her work and two family members will relate the impact of losing a much-loved grandfather.

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Cup runneth over with Ebert memories

LAST weekend on 5RM Sports Saturday, Loxton man Bill Ebert joined us on-air to share some memories of his younger brother Russell.

The week before, my co-host Lachie Winnall shared one from his father, who had bought a squash racquet from Russell when he was a partner in the Adelaide Sports Store, Ebert & Western.

At the dinner table during that week my wife recounted her mother Jean, then not quite a teenager, babysitting a three-year-old Russell while his father Albert was shearing at her family's farm in Alawoona.

Like the many people Russell met and influenced, I too have a memory and story, albeit very long ago.

It was in 1972 at a junior football carnival at the Loxton Oval.

Russell was the reigning Magarey Medallist, having won the award in 1971 in just his third season in the SANFL. He would go on to win three more in almost 400 games for Port Adelaide.

He was the first Magarey Medallist from Loxton (also Waikerie) and was at the footy carnival to present trophies and talk with the junior footballers.

I was playing full back for the Loxton under 13 Bs and because we were easily beaten, I got plenty of the footy and a kick every time Wunkar scored a point.

After the match I was fortunate enough to be judged the best player for my team and was presented a set of four coffee mugs.

The trophy could have been a King's Bakery pasty and a Hallmark soft drink for all I cared, it was Mr Ebert, the Magarey Medallist, shaking my little mitt with his giant hand and a "well done lad" that was everything to me.

In a state of euphoria and a rush to get home to show Mum and Dad I mounted my bike with my prize hastily stowed in my footy bag. Going too fast, I clipped the front gate post entering our drive way and was



soon spreadeagled on the front lawn. I was unscathed apart from a small graze, my trophy not so. Only two mugs survived and they remained in my mum's care until she died.

They now sit atop our Saeco Magic coffee machine and are put into service daily – as a matter of fact as I type this text, I am sipping from one. I remember him and that day and smile every morning.

Russell Ebert was much more than the best footballer ever produced in the Riverland, he was one of the best people and will be forever remembered as a great ambassador for our region.

Vale Russell Ebert.

○ 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.



Waikerie Santa's Cave Committee members: Sandra Davis, (left), Lizzie Platten and Jan Centofanti eagerly waiting for Santa who was unable to visit last year due to Covid-19 restrictions. INSET: Children will be kept busy trying to count all the elves at Waikerie Santa's Cave this festive season. PHOTOS: Christine Webster

It's a Covid-safe Santa's Cave at Waikerie this year

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

WAIKERIE Santa's Cave is ready to welcome visitors in a Covid-19-friendly environment, which includes a brand-new chair for the jolly man in the red suit.

Last year the Covid-19 pandemic meant Santa's visits to the cave were cancelled, but the committee was determined for him to return this year.

Waikerie Santa's Cave committee president, Lizzie Platten, said members successfully applied for funding from Loxton Waikerie Council for a Covid-19-friendly chair.

Santa's new chair on the stage of the Waikerie Institute can easily be wiped down with sanitiser after each of his shifts.

Ms Platten said the cave's previous chair had seats on the side for children to sit, but this has been replaced with two small seats on either side of his new chair.

The \$3770 grant also covered the cost of painting the rails of a ramp leading to the stage to ensure it could be easily cleaned to meet Covid-19 sanitisation requirements.

Ms Platten said more of Waikerie Santa's Cave's magical Christmas displays could be set up this year.

"We are nearly back to full capacity," she said.

The popular Ferris wheel is operating again at the cave, after being repaired by the Waikerie Men's Shed, while Anthony Leske has brought back his wooden toy-making machine.

The machine can now be operated by a foot pedal, which has been added to make it Covid-19 friendly.

Ms Platten said children would also be able to count more elves this year around Waikerie Santa's Cave.

She said committee members were already "having a wonderful time caretaking the cave" until opening day.

Each year, about 1500 hours of volunteering goes into the setting up and operation of the cave.

"Without our strong volunteer support, we would not be such a success for our community," she said.

The volunteers include a group of local men who have helped put up the lights and the magnificent Christmas tree.

They have also helped the elves find a place to hide, and placed other decorations on the roof for more than 20 years.

The Waikerie Santa's Cave committee then "moves" in and the cave comes alive.

Ms Platten thanked the Rotary Club of Waikerie for its strong support, which includes allowing its shed to

be used to store Christmas scenes.

She also thanked Loxton Waikerie Council for helping move displays back into the Waikerie Institute.

The tradition of Waikerie Santa's Cave has been running since 1996 and has made the town a popular Christmas destination for tourists and locals.

The famous honey biscuits will also be available for purchase at the cave, with 4132 biscuits baked in early October by the committee.

Ms Platten said the Christmas shop featuring handmade items, freshly made products and toys had also returned.

"There is something from 20c right through to over \$10, for all ages," she said.

"A lot of children actually come in to do their Christmas shopping for their family," she said.

"We have lucky dips, and our \$1 raffle this year gives those who purchase a ticket the opportunity to win three great prizes including a barbecue this year as first prize."

All money raised ensures the tradition of Waikerie Santa's Cave is available for everyone to enjoy. To book a group tour of Waikerie Santa's Cave contact Ms Platten on 0419 817 538.

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Artist Meliesa Judge spent “all winter” designing this leadlight window, which was recently installed in the Calvary St Catherine’s Retirement Community in Berri. PHOTOS: Elyse Armanini

Window into river memories

ELYSE ARMANINI

A NEW leadlight window inspired by the Murray River was installed in a Berri retirement community recently.

The cross-shaped window – standing 2.7m high and 8m wide – was installed in the Calvary St Catherine’s Retirement Community chapel on November 7 and 8.

The leadlight design depicts features of the Murray River surrounding an abstract figure of Christ on the cross.

Artist Meliesa Judge said she spent all winter designing the artwork to fit the space, taking strong inspiration from the Murray River and surrounds.

“I wanted to get those cliff lines; the eroded sandstone cliffs, the sense of reflection down into the water and the dense groves of trees that sit right on the edge,” Ms Judge said.

“We tried to capture the colours, but it’s very hard to get the ‘Murray River green’ in glass.

“We had some completely different ideas to bring light into this room but I think the river was the solution we needed. To be in Berri, it needed to include the river.”

Calvary regional director of mission for South Australia, Mark McCarthy, said he thought the design was “stunning”.

“We’re hoping that a lot of the residents here who lived their life along the river – but can’t get to the river anymore – will come in here and have lots of good memories, which



Carved using timber from the river cooba tree and created by Riverland artist, Jason Johnson, the serpent carving is another new art installation at St Catherine’s.

is really powerful,” Mr McCarthy said.

Mr McCarthy said the leadlight evokes churches and chapels around the world, inviting “prayer and reflection”.

“Light coming through the window brings warmth and colour to the space,” he said.

“The image of Christ at the centre of the river scene reminds us that God is present in our midst of creation as a healing presence and St Catherine’s staff express this in their daily care of residents.”

Another piece of art was also recently installed in the facility, acquired with the support of the River Murray and Mallee Aboriginal Corporation.

A serpent carving using timber from the river cooba tree with tradition motifs by First Peoples, created by Riverland artist Jason Johnson, takes “pride of place” along the main hallway.



The cross-shaped leadlight window, depicting the features of the Murray River, stands 2.7m high and 8m wide.

Riverland’s digital inclusion lagging

NEW data shows Riverland and regional SA is lagging behind the rest of the nation in digital inclusion.

The recently released 2021 Australian Digital Inclusion Index (ADII) shows SA is behind the national average for digital inclusion with all regional local government areas scoring below the state average.

Digital inclusion is about using digital technologies to improve skills and enhance quality of life and wellbeing.

It is monitored to ensure all Australians are able to make use of digital technologies to access work,

education, online businesses and services, and to contact family and friends.

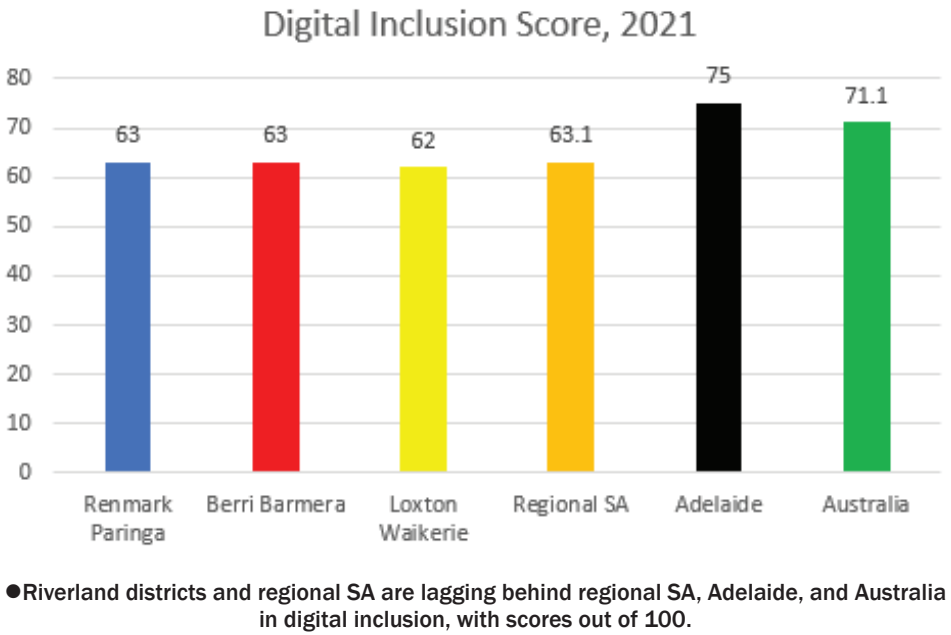
The ADII measured the extent of digital inclusion, with a total score of 100, under three broad headings – access, affordability and ability to use digital technologies – and the Riverland region fell below the state average by six points, despite all districts scoring 92 in the affordability category.

Digital inclusion reflects and compounds other areas of disadvantage and shows demographics which are likely to be least included, such as people with lower income, older people and

people living with disability.

“Digital inclusion is important in general because commerce, employment, education, social interactions and government services and information are all online, so being online is necessary to fully participate in society,” said South Australian Council of Social Service CEO Ross Womersley.

“In regional South Australia it is increasingly essential and basic because digital technology can help overcome social isolation and distance from all sorts of vital services and markets.”





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Our Town's big plans for Berri

ELYSE ARMANINI

A BERRI community group has big plans for the future, creating partnerships with local schools and other community organisations to benefit the town.

Our Town Berri (OTB), which recently became an incorporated body, is made up of volunteers with the aim to develop wellbeing activities for the Berri community.

Funded by the Fay Fuller Foundation as part of the South Australian Our Town initiative, OTB has already received \$100,000 towards various projects.

The Fay Fuller Foundation and Our Town initiative were recognised at the Philanthropy Australia Awards last week and received the Better Philanthropy Award for looking beyond traditional charity methods.

Current initiatives by OTB include partnering with Volunteers SA, local organisations and Berri Regional Secondary College to bring generations together through volunteering; bringing Raise, a mentoring program, to Berri in 2022 to strengthen community relationships; Nunga Driving, a program designed to assist Aboriginal school leavers by helping them learn to drive; and partnering with Barmera-based Parts of Things in a story-telling project.

Community steward Julie Ahrens said OTB could fill a gap in the Berri community.

“We haven’t really had a small incorporated body that can work as a group of citizens looking for grants and doing things for the community,” she said. “Now we can do that, we can work with organisations in the town and ask ‘What are some wellbeing things we can do?’ and then go after grants.

“It’s really positive that we have a group of citizens that want to do this, are volunteering and coming together to build (Berri’s) pride and identity.”



Around 220 cars, along with several motorbikes and trucks took part in the 2021 Riverland Auto Street Party, held on the shores of Lake Bonney recently. INSET: One hundred years of Ford was celebrated at the Auto Street Party. PHOTOS: supplied



A Ford and accompanying caravan.



A group of Volkswagens at the Auto Party.

Dramatic end to successful auto party

A DRAMATIC end to the day failed to dampen the success of the 2021 Riverland Auto Street Party, held on the shores of Lake Bonney, Barmera, earlier this month.

Around 220 cars, several motorbikes and

even a couple of trucks took part in the event, which coincided with the November 6 hailstorm that wreaked havoc on some sections of the Riverland.

“We were a little concerned the way the day started, with overcast skies and light showers,” said Bill Sweet, president of both organising clubs, Riverland Customs & Classics and Riverside Rodders.

“Then it cleared up to beautiful warm sunshine, only to see the day finish early when the major storm warnings were issued by the Bureau of Meteorology.

“Fortunately, only a handful of entrants and others were on hand as the storm hit and we are just thankful that no one has reported any damage to vehicles or equipment.”

The event attracted vehicle owners from across the Riverland, Port Lincoln, Eudunda, Morgan, Mount Gambier, Adelaide and the Barossa Valley.

A tribute to 100 years of Ford featured as part of the event, with a 1921 T Model Ford, a 1971 XY Falcon GT and a 2021 Mustang GT on display, including information boards outlining a comparison of the production time, drive line and horsepower for each.

Other attractions included the Shannons Insurance Super Rig, a children’s magician show, food, drink and market stalls, plus

local band Meta4.

“The street party atmosphere was certainly captured, not only for the entrants with their vehicles, but also the public who attended in considerable numbers rotating through the various Covid-19 check-in sites,” Mr Sweet said.

“Also on hand were volunteers for the Royal Flying Doctor Service as the event was offered by the car clubs as a fund-raising opportunity and resulted in \$2500 being raised on the day.”

Special VIP awards were sponsored by Livin’ the Dream Garage, but unfortunately were unable to be presented as planned so were recorded and uploaded to Facebook later.

WINNERS WERE:

- People’s choice – Peter Hampton, 1953 FJ Holden
- Policeman’s choice – Malcolm Kalms, 1973 LJ Holden two-door Torana
- MP’s choice – Paul Atkins, 1964 Ford Mustang Coupe
- Shannons’ choice – Brian Dearman, 1926 Chev Tray Top
- SRM’s choice – Ray Burgess, 1970 Ford Capri V6 GT
- Mayor’s choice – Dave Franklin, 1929 Ford A Dual Cab Pick-up
- Club manager’s choice – Rob and Irene Ward, 1948 Plymouth Cranbrook Sled
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After 25 years, Symo throttles down

PAUL MITCHELL

SIX people enter Symos Auto Know during owner Peter Symens’ 15-minute reflection on his soon-to-close Barmera business.

Two collect previously ordered items, others inquire about available products, including one hopeful soul looking for a clutch cord for a 2014 model 4WD.

Unsurprisingly, none are on hand, and nothing new is being ordered, given the Barwell Avenue store is staging one of those everything-must-go sales before Peter closes the doors for the final time on November 30, ending a 25-year era.

“Retail has become harder, mainly because everything is done for you these days,” he says during a brief break in service duties.

“If you order it online, it comes to your door, so old-fashioned service is what you need to dish out to get customers coming back.

“It’s all about repeat customers.”

Despite being on the home stretch of his working life, on this day 69-year-old Peter remains as friendly – and informal – with his customers as ever, quickly identifying two men as out-of-towners and asking about their home towns, then chatting to another who has no intention of buying anything.

He says the time is right to retire, and that he plans to indulge in several activities not conducive to being a sole proprietor, including travel, his corrugated iron artwork, lawn bowls and spending more time with his five grandchildren.

Clearly, the business has been ticking over well enough, but unfortunately Barwell Avenue – not unlike main streets in other regional towns – is a shadow of its former self, with more empty shops than is desirable.

Peter has witnessed a massive turnover in Barmera’s main street businesses during the past quarter of a century, and says a premises next door has variously housed a curtains business, op-shop, pizza bar and cake shop.

In addition to the Barmera Bakery, which has been handed down from one generation of the Boase family to the next, he is one of the very few Barwell Avenue survivors from when his doors opened in September 1996.

“I think all the rest have changed owners at some time, though some businesses (like the Barmera Newsagency and Barmera Hotel) are the same,” he says.

“I know when I first came here and we had our first country music weekend, both sides of Barwell Avenue were check-a-block, with belt buckles being sold and who knows what else going on,” he said.

“But shops in the main street have been deteriorating left, right and centre and it’s just a sign of the times. Dress shops, shoe

“It’ll be a strange feeling when the doors close...”
– Peter Symens



Barmera man Peter Symens contemplating the final weeks of his operating his Barwell Avenue business, Symos Auto Know, which will close on November 30, ending a 25-year era. PHOTO: Paul Mitchell

shops, things like that, people buy that online these days.

“Money goes out of the area, and it doesn’t get recycled. I don’t know, but (in future) a lot of the sporting clubs might find it hard for sponsorship because there’s less businesses.”

Peter’s path to setting up Symos Auto Know started when he landed a job in spare parts at Spriggs Brothers, in Barmera, as a teenager.

A subsequent short stint at Motor Traders preceded another stretch at Spriggs, followed by a servicing job in town at BP, at the request of well-known Barmera resident Brian Caddy.

Peter and his wife Jessie then tragically lost a daughter to leukaemia in 1993, before the next turn in his working life.

“‘Woody’ came along and asked me to set up a spare parts (outlet) at Woody’s Variety on the Sturt Highway (in Barmera),” he says.

“I was there for a couple of years, then I had enough confidence in myself to open my own business.

“I always treated the people I dealt with as my own customers because that’s what you got to do.”

Twenty-five years after leaving Woody’s, Peter is now facing the daunting task of cleaning up his packed store, ahead of the next week’s closure.

For his sake, hopefully he sells plenty of stock.

“There’s a couple of little things to dust off, you could say that,” he quips.

“But yeah, it’ll be a strange feeling when the doors close.”

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Council backs local business network

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

FUNDING provided by a Riverland council is set to help a local business network explore new revenue opportunities.

Renmark Paringa councillors passed a motion at last month's general meeting to provide a cash contribution of \$30,000 to the Renmark Paringa Network (RPN), to assist the group in recovering from the economic impacts of Covid-19.

RPN chairperson Clint Lewan said the funding, and an opportunity to run Renmark's river-front markets, would ensure the group was sustainable next year.

"The grant will assist the running of RPN projects and initiatives for this financial year," Mr Lewan said.

"It will give us a bit more surety to be able to provide services and opportunities for our members.

"Council have also given us the opportunity to run the river-front markets, and we'll be running our awards night again.

"I don't think we'll get to



a market before the end of this year, but there will definitely be markets next year."

Mr Lewan said an unsuccessful attempt earlier this year to secure funding through the Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program meant the group required council assistance.

"Council applied for some grant funding (last year) and some of that was to be set aside for us," he said.

"They had a meeting with the people that administered the grant funding, and apparently the projects we put forward didn't meet the criteria.

"So, essentially money we had been hoping to know about since May, we didn't get an answer on until September, which left

us in a bit of a bind."

Mr Lewan said a potential for the network to take over the organisation of the wine and food event Rivafest – which had been cancelled for 2022 due to Covid-19 restrictions – was also raised by council.

"We've been given these markets as a bit of a trial to see if we can make successful community events," he said.

"If we can take these river-front markets and run them successfully, then there will be further chance of the RPN taking over (larger) events in the coming years.

"We would be up for that... it would be an ongoing revenue stream for the RPN and would ensure we're sustainable."

“It will give us a bit more surety to be able to provide services and opportunities for our members...”

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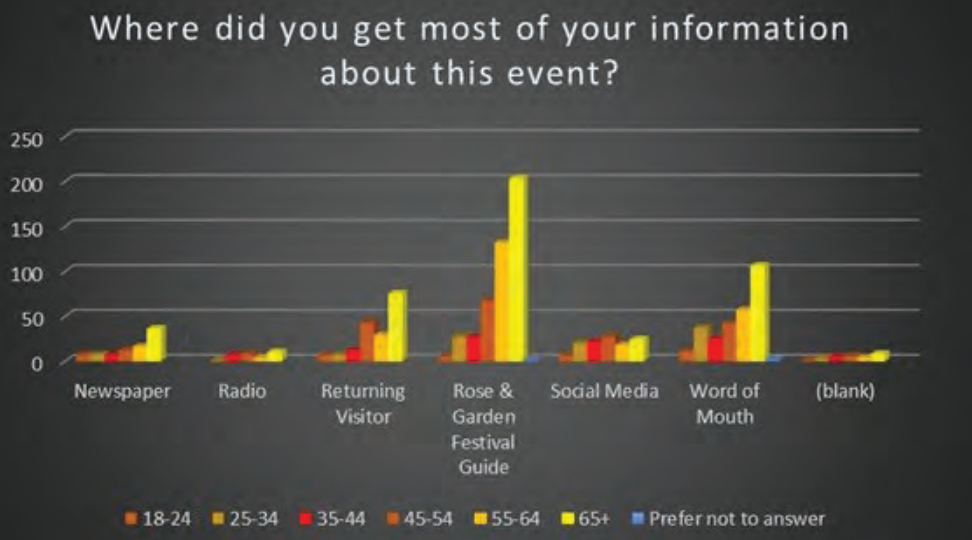
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●A graph showing how people learned about this year's Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

Visitors get festival info from program & Pioneer

THE Murray Pioneer and the official Riverland Rose and Garden Festival Program were the key drivers to attracting people to last month's hugely successful event.

Newly released data tracking how attendees learned about the festival shows the overwhelming majority got their information from the official program, published by The Murray Pioneer, and inside the newspaper itself.

The program was inserted free inside the Pioneer in the lead-up to the festival, while the newspaper carried a number of stories before, during and after the event.

The data was collected via a QR survey tool, introduced at festival venues for the first time this year.

Of the 1100-plus people who took part in the survey when leaving a venue, around 200 indicated that the program was their main information source. This figure outstripped the combined numbers of 'word of mouth' and 'returning visitor'.

The survey also showed that the Pioneer was well ahead of both radio and social media as an information source.

"This underlines again the reach and effectiveness of print media in the



This cover of this year's Riverland Rose and Garden Festival Program.

Riverland," said Taylor Group Media managing director Ben Taylor.

"The 2021 Riverland Rose and Garden Festival was a spectacular event, and will only get bigger, so it's great to know that so many people got their information about it from the festival guide – which was published by the Pioneer – and The Murray

Pioneer itself.

"We're so pleased to have such a close and efficient relationship with festival organisers and I'm sure our advertisers will also be rapt.

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Survey says rose festival a winner

A UNIQUE QR survey run in conjunction with the recent Riverland Rose and Garden Festival has shown overwhelming praise for the expanded and rebranded 10-day annual event.

The survey was conducted at more than 35 open gardens and festival attractions using a new QR monitoring system developed jointly by the festival committee and PIRSA regional co-ordinator, Barbara Cowey.



Over 1100 visitor responses were recorded using the new electronic tool, compared to just 74 last year using a manual system, and festival spokesperson Richard Fewster said the results indicated “very strong support” for the event.

“Most of the visitor feedback we had was amazing,” Mr Fewster said.

“People loved this year’s festival and many indicated their intention to return next year, and bring some more people with them.”

The success of the QR survey system and the sentiments it reflected present as a double-win for the festival committee.

“The QR reader allowed visitors to log onto a site and answer 12 simple questions, including where they had come from, their experience during their visit, how they had heard about the festival and any another comments they wished to share,” Mr Fewster said.

“The results showed that just under 14 per cent of those who attended the festival had come from outside of the region.

“So the system has been a success, giving us all this extra information, and the responses we received showed that people are loving the festival.

“It really gives us extra encouragement heading into next year’s festival.”



Visitor feedback for this year’s Riverland Rose and Garden Festival – captured via a new QR code initiative – was overwhelmingly positive. Pictured with the monitoring system is festival committee member Jo Panic. INSET: The QR code as it was presented to festival goers last month. PHOTOS: Deirdre Graham

QR tool delivers a deluge of data

UP to 20 people would be required to collect the same amount of information harvested by the Cowey Survey Tool during the 2021 Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

Jointly developed by festival committee and local Barb Cowey, the tool used QR codes to collect visitor experiences from multiple event sites, with each event given a unique QR code.

When exiting events visitors were invited to swipe the QR code with the camera in their mobile phones.

This action took the visitor to 12 questions, answers from which were unloaded for analysis.

Examples of feedback:

“This is a great event which has been organised and held during very difficult times with Covid.”

“Want to come next year with extra friends.”

“Loved the tranquility and slower pace. The people I met all had time and warmth to share.”

“My first festival but will look forward to more.”

“Without the Cowey Survey Tool it would be almost impossible to collect the data without having a team of 20-plus people to gather the information from each venue,” said festival spokesperson Richard Fewster.

“Because of its simplicity and ease of use, respondents were able to answer the 12

simple questions in just over one minute.

“From that point of view, it was completely unobtrusive and in fact drew favourable comments from several people who used it.

“From a data collection point of view and with its internal analytical capability it can provide an almost limitless series of reports and responses.”

The festival committee intends to make the system available to other similar bodies and believes it will change how organisers report the success or otherwise of their functions, including for example the Riverland Dinghy Derby.

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Inquest finds Theo's death 'preventable'

THE state's deputy coroner has found Cooltong man Theo Papageorgiou's death by suicide in 2016 was "preventable", making a number of recommendations to improve the provision of mental health care in the Riverland.

The findings of a coronial inquest into Mr Papageorgiou's death were released earlier this month, with Deputy State Coroner Anthony Schapel concluding that had "adequate care and management had been bestowed upon Theo, his treatment would have been more effective".

In his findings, Mr Schapel said the management of Mr Papageorgiou's mental health "lacked leadership and cohesion" and that he experienced "inadequate continuity of care" due to "the transience of staff in the mental health services in the Riverland" and a "lack of mental health care resources" in the region.

Mr Schapel also found that in terms of mental health resources, "the situation does not appear to be appreciably different from what it was in the Riverland in 2015 and 2016".

Mr Schapel directed four key recommendations to Minister for Health Stephen Wade, chief psychiatrist Dr John Brayley and SA



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Health chief executive Dr Chris McGowan.

These included an emphasis on continued professional development of rural GPs in mental health care and a "comprehensive review" into clinical resources for rural mental health services.

Mr Papageorgiou's parents Jack and Poppy began calling for a coronial inquest into their son's death in January 2018, and have advocated for reform of regional mental health services.

If you or someone you know may be struggling, contact Lifeline on 13 11 14 or Beyond Blue on 1300 224 636.



Rotarians Jack Gibb (left) and Pamela Stagg installed the first street library at the Renmark Guides Hut. PHOTO: supplied

Street library hits Renmark

THE first in a series of street libraries in Renmark was installed at the Renmark Guides Hut recently, as part of a local Rotary Club initiative.

Street libraries have been adopted in regions around Australia, and now the Rotary Club of Renmark has taken on the project for the town.

Project co-ordinator, Pamela Stagg, said she was delighted with the result.

"It has been a real team effort between the club and the Renmark Woodworkers to build this and we've had tremendous support from Formula Paints and other local businesses," Ms Stagg said.

Six street libraries will be installed throughout Renmark, and Ms Stagg said the concept "couldn't be simpler".

"Take a book and leave a book," she said.

"We've been well-supported by the Renmark Paringa Library, and Dymocks at Hyde Park, with donations of high-quality books to get us started."

Renmark Rotary Club president, David Crouch, said the libraries would be a "great asset" for the town.

"This is a great example of what can happen when someone who is passionate about a project has the support of a club like Rotary," Mr Crouch said.

The Rotary Club of Renmark meets Tuesday nights at the Renmark Hotel function room and welcomes community members to join.

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Christmas Story: And the winner is...

RIVERLAND kids have submitted their Christmas stories – and next week the winner will be revealed.

Last month The Murray Pioneer invited local children to enter the 2021 Riverland Christmas Story Writing Competition, starting with this paragraph:

“This is the story of the best Christmas ever! I woke with a startle. What had woken me? I listened hard. Yes, there it was again! Bells! I could hear jingle bells!”

Entries are now closed and the competition winner will be



named in The Murray Pioneer’s Christmas Gift Guide magazine, and take home a TH Books gift goodie pack, a McDonald’s family meal voucher, a Toyworld \$100 voucher and a Chaffey Theatre movie pass for the family.

“A massive thank you to all the boys and girls who entered

our Christmas writing competition,” said Murray Pioneer advertising sales consultant, Glenda Malinovski.

“We certainly have some creative kids in the Riverland, maybe even some future journalists or fiction writers.

“We loved reading all your

Christmas tales and we’re excited to announce the overall winner next week in our Christmas Gift Guide magazine.

“Be sure to get your copy of The Murray Pioneer next week containing our full-gloss Christmas magazine with the winners story published inside.”

The runner-up will win a family movie pass to the Chaffey Theatre, while a third prize will also be awarded.

“Thank you for your entries and a Merry Christmas.”

NOTE: The Murray Pioneer will print a selections of entries in next week’s edition.



Berri Barmera Christian Churches will host the annual Carols by the River in Berri on Sunday, December 5.

Building turtle populations during National Turtle Month

NOVEMBER is the perfect time of year to catch a glimpse of female turtles in the Riverland as they find suitable local nesting sites during National Turtle Month.

National Turtle Month, launched at the start of November, is aimed at increasing awareness of freshwater turtles under threat from predators and declining habitats.

Freshwater turtle numbers in the Murray-Darling Basin have declined significantly over the past 40 years, with two of three Murray River species at risk of extinction.

A new national project – 1 Million Turtles – was launched recently to try and boost the number of turtles in Australia’s waterways.

Turtle expert Mike Thompson said many Australian fresh water turtle species were under threat due to rapid declines in population numbers.

“The number of eastern long-necked turtles in Victoria declined by 91 per cent between 1980 and 2010 and we know that



The 1 Million Turtles campaign hopes to restore turtle populations during National Turtle Month. PHOTO: supplied

figure is substantially greater in South Australia,” Mr Thompson said.

“Foxes are the single biggest threat facing Australian freshwater turtles, but road traffic and habitat changes are (also) contributing to population declines.

“The 1 Million Turtles campaign will

restore turtle populations by enabling one million eggs to survive and their hatchlings to enter Australian waterways each year.”

Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board citizen science project officer, Dr Sylvia Clarke, encouraged South Australians to help improve the future of the state’s turtle populations.

“Turtles nest over such a large area of South Australia, (so) we really need everyone’s help to let us know when they see turtles and where they find evidence of nesting,” Dr Clarke said.

“Uploading turtle and nest sightings on (free smartphone app and website) TurtleSAT helps us to locate nesting hotspots and enables us to target future conservation efforts, which people can be involved with as well.”

More information about turtle conservation and how to become involved in the new project is available at 1millionturtles.com.

Berri river-front carols to return

BERRI residents are getting ready to ring in the Christmas season, with the town’s annual Carols by the River set to be held on Riverview Drive along the Berri river front on Sunday, December 5.

This year’s carols, put together by the Berri Barmera Christian Churches and supported by council, will feature a number of guest artists, including 2019 The Voice contestant and Zimbabwean cricket player Henry Olonga.

The event will also include a children’s puppet show, called The Best Gift Ever, backed by a band and carollers.

Coffee, ice-cream and drinks will be available to purchase, with attendees encouraged to bring along their own picnic, a chair or picnic rug.

Everyone is welcome to take part in this year’s carols, which kick off at 6pm for a 7pm start.

SAPOL warns of online travel scam

RIVERLANDERS have been advised to avoid scammers using fake websites and social media advertisements to impersonate legitimate travel agencies following the opening of domestic borders.

A SAPOL spokesperson said the scammers typically make initial contact with victims through social media, then send a quote over separate messaging platforms.

“This is then followed up with a phone call to confirm itinerary details – adding a sense of legitimacy to the purchase,” the spokesperson said.

“The victim is then asked to make payment via bank transfer and providing copies of passports.



“Unfortunately, the companies do not exist and people lose their money.

“In addition to this, there is the potential for future victimisation resulting from identity theft.”

The spokesperson recommended locals “conduct their own independent research and use reputable travel agencies where possible”.

“Never trust reviews on the website or contained within the social media post itself and remember – if it appears too good to be true, it probably is,” the spokesperson said.

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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Enjoying the *Kick Off Ya Boots* production last month were Belinda and Simon Odell, of Adelaide.
PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson



Loxton's Lois Bock and Jocelyn Georg were at the performance.



STRAWBERRY FETE: Julie Hill, Janet and Darryl Summerton at the Alawoona Strawberry Fete held earlier this month. PHOTO: Nola Schulz



Catching up at the production were Anna Cozens, Lynley Seaman, Kerrie-anne Hughes, Sonya Altschwager, Skye Hampel and Tanya Fielke.



Enjoying dinner and a performance as part of *Kick Off Ya Boots* were Tom Fielke, Ryan Seaman, Tom Cozens and Jason Hughes. PHOTO: supplied

South Aussie musician Andrew Clermont to be honoured

DO you know what **John Schumann, Carole Sturtzel, Peter Combe, Bev Harrell, Archie Roach, Trev Warner, Dave Gleeson, Gary Burrows, and Jimmy Barnes** all have in common?

They are just a few of the 127 who have been inducted into the Adelaide Music Collective – SA Music Hall of Fame, since its inception in 2014.

Andrew Clermont will be inducted and receive his HOF medallion this Friday night at the Wirrina Bluegrass & Acoustic Festival at Wirrina Park.

A multi-instrumentalist, though most renowned for his fiddle prowess, this 60-year-old seems to have been around forever.

Andrew has received national and international recognition, and is renowned in many genres of music, not only country.

He left his handprint in the SA Country Music Hall of Fame in the Riverland in 1999 and National Hands of Fame at Tamworth in 2003. He is a triple Australian Bluegrass Guitar Champion, did numerous tours with Brian Young including the world's longest chartered flight concert tour, and was a member of the Golden Guitar winning band, **Three Chord Wonders**.

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Here's a look back at the Song of the Year Golden Guitar winners from 1973 through to 2021, and you may get a bit of a surprise as to who wrote some of these songs.


1973: *Lights On The Hill* - **Joy McKean**, recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1974: *Goondiwindi Grey* – **Wallas/Hauritz**, recorded by **Tex Morton** (Essex).

1975: *Biggest Disappointment* - **Joy McKean**, recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1976: *Santa Never Made It To Darwin* - **Bill Cate**, recorded by **Bill & Boyd** (Fable).

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1977: *Three Rivers Hotel* - **Stan Coster**, recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1978: *Indian Pacific* - **Joy McKean**, recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1979: *Beat Of The Government Stroke* - **Tom Oliver/Joy McKean**, recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1980: *Three Empty Bottles* - **Dave Pincombe** (Astor).

1981: *One Armed Bandit* - **Allan & Brian Caswell**.

1982: *His Spurs Are Rusty Now* - **Rex & Colin Dallas** (Hadley).

1983: *Used To Be A Gold Song* - **Allan Caswell & Keith Potger** (Country Man).

1984: *I Was Only 19* - **John Schumann** (CBS).

1985: *Queen In The Sport Of Kings* - **John Williamson** (Festival).

1986: *The Garden* - **Allan Caswell** (Albert).

1987: *He's A Good Bloke When He's Sober* - **Stan Coster** (recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1988: *The Old Time Tent Shows* - **Barry Forrester**, recorded by **Alan Hawking** (RCA).

1989: *We've Done Us Proud* - **Graeme Connors** (Recorded by **Slim Dusty**, EMI).

1990: *Kimberley Moon* - **James Blundell/Doug Trevor** (EMI).

1991: *Blue Heeler* - **James Blundell** (EMI).

1992: *Things Are Not The Same On The Land* - **Bill Chambers**, recorded by **Slim Dusty** (EMI).

1993: *Boys From The Bush* - **Garth Porter/Lee Kernaghan** (ABC).

1994: *Three Chain Road* - **Garth Porter/Lee Kernaghan** (ABC).

1995: *Songs From The Homeland* – **Graeme Connors** (Panama).

1996: *The Great Australian Dream* – **Graeme Connors** (Panama).

1997: *The Road Less Travelled* – **Graeme Connors** (ABC/Panama Music/Rondor).

1998: *Living In The Circle* - **Richard Porteous** - recorded by the **Dead Ringer Band** (Massive).

1999: *Last Man Standing* - **Adam Brand & Clive Young** - recorded by **Adam Brand** - Festival (Rondor/Peer Music).

2000: *They Don't Make 'Em Like That Anymore* – **Troy Cassar-Daley** - written by **Troy Cassar-Daley, Garth Porter & Colin Buchanan**.

2001: *Good Things In Life* – **Adam Brand** - **Adam Brand & Graeme Connors**.

2002: *Not Pretty Enough* - **Kasey Chambers**, recorded by **Kasey Chambers** (EMI).

2003: *Born To Survive* - **Troy Cassar-Daley** (Essence).

2004: *Raining On The Plains* - written by **Sara Storer, Garth Porter & Doug Storer**.

2005: *Real People* - written by **Melinda Schneider and Michael Carr**.

2006: *Lonesome But Free* - written by **Troy Cassar-Daley and Paul Kelly**.

2007: *Poster Girl (Wrong Side Of The World)* - written by **Beccy Cole**.

2008: *Land Cries Out* - written by **Sara Storer**.

2009: *Rattlin' Bones* - written and recorded by **Kasey Chambers & Shane Nicholson**.

2010: *Big Big Love* – written & recorded by **Troy Cassar-Daley**.

2011: *Little Bird* - Written by **Kasey Chambers**.

2012: *Bad Machines* - written & recorded by **Shane Nicholson**.

2013: *Home* – written and recorded by **Troy**



Andrew Clermont and Angela Easson

Cassar-Daley.

2014: *Lady of the Land* – written by **Luke O'Shea & Drew McAlister**, recorded by **Luke O'Shea**.

2015: *Three Brothers (The Great War)* - performed and written by **Luke O'Shea**.

2016: *Freedom Ride* - Songwriters - **Troy Cassar-Daley & Paul Kelly**.

2017: *Call Me Crazy* - **Travis Collins** - Songwriters **Travis Collins & Damien Leith**.

2018: *Our Backyard* - **Travis Collins & Amber Lawrence** - Songwriters **Amber Lawrence, Travis Collins, Matt Scullion**.

2019: *Ain't Seen It Yet* - **The Wolfe Brothers**|- Songwriters: **Tom Wolfe, Nick Wolfe, Brodie Rainbird, Erik Dylan**.

2020: *Chain Of Joy* - **Felicity Urquhart** - Songwriters: **Felicity Urquhart & Kim Richey**.

2021: *The High Price Of Surviving* - **Shane Nicholson** - Songwriters: - **Shane Nicholson, Leyon Milner**.

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COMPETITION WINNER: Foodland Waikerie's Jane Haese (second from left) hands a new coffee machine to Leanne Ohlmeyer, winner of a recent Foodland competition. Pictured with them are Leanne's sons. PHOTO: supplied



SKILLS: Print DNA Renmark apprentice Kelsey Wade, with Print DNA owner Ian Andrews (left), was welcomed to parliament house in Adelaide to honour her recent win at the World Skills Awards by Minister for Education John Gardner (second from left) and Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone. PHOTO: supplied

ST JOSEPH'S: Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone hosted students from St Joseph's School Barmera on a tour of Parliament House recently. PHOTO: supplied



At the Mannum District Hospital Centenary celebrations last month were Ian Arnold (left), of Waikerie, and Peter Arnold, of Barmera, who are the great-grandsons of Captain Johan Georg Arnold, who founded Mannum Hospital and was the inaugural chairman. PHOTO: supplied

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
Every Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm, and Saturday from 9.30am to 11.30am, the Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery, on Barwell Ave, is open for sales. Inquires: Ruth 0428 899 506.

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

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

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

WEEKLY
Meet, Greet & Eat at Loxcare Community Hub, 13 Drabsch St, Loxton, every Friday in November, at 10am. Come and enjoy cake/scones/biscuits, coffee/tea and a chat. Inquiries phone 8584 6954. Good food, good people, good times-

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25
Loxton Charity For All Bingo this

week at the Loxton Club is for Rotary Mardi Gras Entrant Angel Hockey. Eyes down at 7pm and all welcome. Supper and raffles available.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26
The final meeting of the Waikerie and Districts Cancer Support Group for 2021. Please join us at The Carpenter's Daughter for coffee and a chat. 1 Francis Street, Waikerie, from 10am.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27 and SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28
A Time To Celebrate photography exhibition. Waikerie RSL sub-branch, 10 Thompson St. 10am to 2pm on Saturday and 12.30 to 3pm on Sunday. Free entry.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5
Carols by The River, 6pm, Riverview Drive Berri - Carols and guest artists featuring special guest artist Henry Olonga 2019 The Voice contestant. coffee, ice cream, drinks to purchase.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5
Barmera Cemetery Memorial Christmas Tree 2021. Between 10am and 11:30am. Bring along a decoration to put on the Christmas tree in memory of your loved ones. Inquires to Monique Gillespie on 0414 381 110.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11
Mega Xmas market. Set up 7am, market 8am until 1pm, cost \$20 a stall. Bookings Trish 0409 900 380. Berri Church of Christ, Old Sturt Highway.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12
Loxton Charity For All Bingo are holding their Christmas Bingo at the Loxton RSL Hall Tobruk Terrace Loxton. Eyes down at 2pm doors open 12.30pm. Delicious afternoon tea and lots of raffles and bar facilities available. Phone Mandi for bookings 0408 846 124.



Waikerie Lutheran Primary School year 2 and year 3 students performing an action song, Tony Chestnut, at the school concert, earlier this month. PHOTO: supplied



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VENOM: LET THERE BE CARNAGE (M)
FRIDAY DECEMBER 10 AT 8PM (3D)
SATURDAY DECEMBER 11 AT 8PM
SUNDAY DECEMBER 12 AT 2PM
THURSDAY DECEMBER 16 AT 7PM



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THURSDAY DECEMBER 16 AT 2PM

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Warning to look out for ‘spiteful’ khaki weed

RIVERLANDERS are again being encouraged to be on the lookout for active weeds this summer, particularly the “spiteful” khaki weed.

Khaki weed is a small, thick groundcover with the potential to spread into a dense mat, and has reddish stems and green, oval-shaped leaves.

Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board (MRLB) district officer, Brenten Miller, warned landholders should be wary of prickly summer weeds starting to pop up in the region.

“We are fortunate as khaki weed is not yet widespread in the Riverland,” Mr Miller said.

“This is our opportunity to prevent another weed becoming established in our region.”

Mr Miller said to beat the weed,



control measures needed to commence now, before the weed flowers and prickles appear following recent rain and warm weather.

“The majority of known sites are located in the Renmark and Renmark West area,” he said. “These are monitored by the district team who follow up with landholders to ensure early weed control.

“We have had great support from the Renmark Paringa Council works staff who are also keeping an eye out for new infestations.”

The small prickly burrs turn golden in colour when the plant

matures and cover the weed, which can cause injury to people or animals, contaminate crops, degrade wool, and be transported via people, animals and machinery.

The weed can remain viable in the ground for many years, with a deep, thick tap root that can make control difficult.

Mr Miller said the burrs make the weed easy to spread, so early detection and action was vital.

Landholders are asked to contact the Berri MRLB office, about any plants suspected to be khaki weed, on 8580 1800.



Landholders and community members are encouraged to be on the lookout for and help control summer weeds, particularly the khaki weed. PHOTO: supplied

Riverlander Tanya steps up for drought mentoring support

A RIVERLANDER will take on the role of mentor to help build drought-resilient leaders in regional communities across Australia.

Tanya Lehmann – a member of SA Health’s Health Performance Council – was among 250 mentors selected nationally to take part in round one of the Future Drought Fund’s Drought Resilience Mentoring Program.

Ms Lehmann, of Bookpurnong, will have the opportunity to share knowledge and experiences about farming operations and

the agriculture sector with selected proteges.

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said the program would bring participants together.

“We are partnering with the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation (ARLF) to create a new generation of drought resilient leaders,” Mr Pasin said.

“The mentoring program joins farmers, and those with a close connection to agriculture, with experienced industry professionals for a chance to learn about drought preparedness from those who have lived and worked

through the issue themselves.”

ARLF chief executive, Matt Linnegar, said the mentoring program was a chance for those involved to “connect experience and innovation with ideas and opportunities”.

“The Drought Resilience Mentoring program provides participants with the opportunity to learn from one another and those with experience and expertise in the areas of climate science, resilience, wellbeing and agricultural practice,” he said.

Ms Lehmann was also recently announced as the program lead for the Murraylands in the federal government’s Drought Resilience Leadership Development Program.



Riverland local Tanya Lehmann is among 250 mentors nationally to be selected for the first round of the Drought Resilience Mentoring Program. PHOTO: supplied

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Local’s call to drought-resilience program

SUCCESSFUL applicants to a drought resilience program will develop skills and knowledge to lead communities into the future, according to a Riverland program leader.

Community members can still apply to be part of the Drought Resilience Leadership Development Program, with the application deadline extended to Sunday, December 5.

Riverlander and program leader for the Murraylands, Tanya Lehmann, said participants would take away a number of benefits from

the experience.

“Successful applicants will participate in a learning experience that will challenge and support them to develop knowledge, skills, mindset and networks to lead their communities into the future,” Ms Lehmann said.

“They will also be eligible and supported to apply for Community Development Grants of up to \$4000 to support activities that share the skills, knowledge and ideas developed through the program with their community.”

Delivered by the Australian Rural Leadership

Foundation, the program is designed to support rural communities adapt to challenges associated with drought and bushfires.

Anyone over the age of 18, who wants to understand the region, develop or maintain strong relationships within the community, and influence community resilience to adapt and manage uncertainty can apply to the program.

The program will run over three sessions – two in person and one virtual – over eight days from early March to mid-April 2022.

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Commanding River Views

Situated in the tightly held Wombats Rest area you will find a 2 bedroom Sarah home with commanding views of the river.

The property is steeped in history and appears in the Murray River Pilot publication with the iconic tree house over the river.

The open plan living areas of the home with large floor to ceiling windows allows the views to be enjoyed from the comfort of the lounge, having a meal or while entertaining on the front balcony.

The main bedroom is located at the front of the home and also has the advantage of the ever-present wonderful water views to be enjoyed when you open the curtains.

A 3-way bathroom including vanity area, bathroom with shower alcove and bath and a separate toilet ensures privacy when required.



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6m x 6m shed with concrete floor, lights and power provides undercover storage for water toys and workshop space.

There is boat ramp located a short drive from the property and is for use by the Wombats Rest property owners.

Climate control during any season is catered for with the ducted evaporative air conditioner and slow combustion heater for the cooler months. Solar system that has been installed assists with lower energy costs.

The Wombats Rest area has a true communal atmosphere where enjoying the river and what it has to offer is very important to all the property owners.

If you are looking for a lifestyle change to the river for either full time living or holiday home, please contact us to arrange a personal inspection of this wonderful river property.

Open: By appointment | Address: 76 Wombats Rest Road, Morgan
Price: \$459,000 | Agent: Marschall First National | Phone: 8541 2777
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CADELL SA

Saturday 4th December 2021

at 9.30am

ON-SITE AUCTION

Inspection from 8.00am

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Turn off at Molo Road

New Holland Hay Rake, New Holland 471 Bale Loader, Tedder Rake, Horwood 12 Leaf Harrows with Good Points, Wiles 8 Disc Plough, Linkage Bucket – Heavy Duty, Hay Forks 3PL, Sheep Handler, Roll of Large Mesh, Connor Shea 3PL Disc Combine, Jib 3PL, Gates, Shop Press, Iron, Oxford Mower – No Motor, Fuel Tank, Air Rater, Sunbeam Little Wonder Shearing & Crutching Plant, Hydraulic Pipe Bender, Steel Cabinets, Host of Welding Rods, Shelving, Grader Blade 3PL 6ft, Sigma Rotary Hoe 3PL – As New, Carry All 3PL – As New, Cattle Troughs, Old Boat Motor, Push Bikes, Loader Frame, Old Massey 1085 Loader in bits, Old Caravan, Water Tank, Off Set Slasher 5ft, Fahr K24CR Disc Mower, New Holland 57 Rake 3PL, Bull Dozer Wreck, Host of Sundries, Tools, Nuts, Bolts, Scrap & Lots, Lots More.

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LOAN \$	3.5%	4%	4.5%	5%	5.5%	6%	6.5%
100,000	230.95	243.49	256.40	269.66	283.26	297.20	311.45
125,000	288.68	304.37	320.50	337.07	354.08	371.50	389.32
150,000	346.42	365.24	384.60	404.49	424.89	445.80	467.18
175,000	404.16	426.11	448.70	471.90	495.71	520.10	545.04
200,000	461.89	486.99	512.80	539.32	566.53	594.40	622.91
225,000	519.63	547.86	576.90	606.73	637.34	668.69	700.77
250,000	577.37	608.73	641.00	674.15	708.16	742.99	778.63
275,000	635.10	669.60	705.10	741.56	778.97	817.29	856.50
300,000	692.84	730.48	769.19	808.98	849.79	891.59	934.36
325,000	750.58	791.35	833.29	876.39	920.60	965.89	1012.22
350,000	808.31	852.22	897.39	943.81	991.42	1040.19	1090.09
375,000	866.05	913.10	961.49	1011.22	1062.23	1114.49	1167.95
400,000	923.79	973.97	1025.59	1078.64	1133.05	1188.79	1245.81
425,000	981.52	1034.84	1089.69	1146.05	1203.87	1263.09	1323.68
450,000	1039.26	1095.72	1153.79	1213.47	1274.68	1337.39	1401.54
475,000	1097.00	1156.59	1217.89	1280.88	1345.50	1411.69	1479.40
500,000	1154.73	1217.46	1281.99	1348.30	1416.31	1485.99	1557.27
525,000	1212.47	1278.34	1346.09	1415.71	1487.13	1560.29	1635.13
550,000	1270.21	1339.21	1410.19	1483.13	1557.94	1634.59	1712.99
575,000	1327.94	1400.08	1474.29	1550.54	1628.76	1708.89	1790.86
600,000	1385.68	1460.96	1538.39	1617.95	1699.58	1783.19	1868.72
625,000	1443.42	1521.83	1602.49	1685.37	1770.39	1857.49	1946.58
650,000	1501.15	1582.70	1666.59	1752.78	1841.21	1931.79	2024.45

Calculated on a 25-year repayment plan. This chart is a guide only. The Murray Pioneer takes no responsibility for the accuracy of these figures. Please seek professional financial advice before advancing further.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 TO TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

WEDNESDAY						
	6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Invisible Wars; 11:00 Monty Don's Japanese Gardens; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 National Press Club Address; 1:35 Media Watch; 2:00 Parliament Question Time; 3:15 ABC News Afternoons; 4:10 Think Tank; 5:05 Grand Designs Australia 6:00 The Drum 7:00 ABC News 7:30 7.30 8:00 Hard Quiz 8:30 Gruen 9:10 Preppers 9:40 QI 10:10 Adam Hills - The Last Leg 10:55 ABC Late News 11:10 The Business 11:25 Universe with Brian Cox 12:25 Media Watch	5:05 Five Minutes More; 5:10 Sarah And Duck; 5:20 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:10 Hey Duggee 6:20 Bluey 6:25 Shaun The Sheep 6:40 Andy's Safari Adventures 7:00 Dino Dana 7:15 Odd Squad 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 Would I Lie To You? 8:30 Art Works 9:00 Jaimen Hudson 10:05 The Sound 10:35 Doctor Who 11:15 Books That Made Us 12:15 Love On The Spectrum 1:10 Louis Theroux 2:10 Community 2:30 Parks and Recreation	6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Missing At 17; 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 8:30 Code 1 - The Bourke Street Mall Tragedy 9:30 America's Got Talent - SF Performance & Results 12:30 The Windsors 1:30 God Friended Me 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 A Sister's Obsession; 1:30 My Way; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News 6:00 Nine News 7:00 A Current Affair 7:30 Mega Zoo 8:30 Love Island Australia 9:30 Botched 10:30 Nine News Late 11:00 New Amsterdam 12:00 Tipping Point 1:00 A Current Affair 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 2:30 Global Shop 3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 5:00 Nine News Early Edition 5:30 Today	6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy Encore; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Bachelorette Australia Encore; 3:15 Judge Judy; 3:45 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First 6:30 The Project 7:30 The Bachelorette Australia 8:30 Bull 9:30 Lie With Me 10:30 Bull 11:30 The Project Encore 12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1:30 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS Mornings	5:00 France 24 Feature; 5:15 NHK World English News; 5:30 Deutsche Welle English News; 6:00 France 24 English News First Edition; 6:30 Al Jazeera English News; 7:00 BBC News; 7:30 Italian News; 8:10 Filipino News; 8:40 French News; 9:30 Greek News; 10:30 German News; 11:00 Spanish News; 11:30 Turkish News; 12:00 Arabic News F24; 12:30 ABC America; 1:00 PBS Newshour; 2:00 The Mosque Next Door; 3:00 Dylan Alcott Meets Julia Gillard; 3:40 The Cook Up with Adam Liaw; 4:10 The Kennedys; 5:05 Jeopardy!; 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Scotland's Sacred Islands 8:30 Could You Survive On The Breadline?
	6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 Gardening Australia Presents; 11:00 Prince Charles Inside The Duchy Of Cornwall; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Hard Quiz; 1:25 QI; 2:00 Parliament Question Time; 3:15 ABC News Afternoons; 4:10 Think Tank; 5:10 Grand Designs Australia 6:00 The Drum 7:00 ABC News 7:30 7.30 8:00 Following The Drug Money 8:30 Q+A 9:35 Doctor Who 10:35 You Can't Ask That 10:50 ABC Late News 11:05 The Business 11:25 Pilgrimage 12:25 Parliament Question Time	5:05 Five Minutes More; 5:10 Sarah And Duck; 5:20 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:10 Hey Duggee 6:20 Bluey 6:25 Shaun The Sheep 6:40 Andy's Safari Adventures 7:00 Dino Dana 7:15 Odd Squad 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:30 Mock The Week 9:00 Hard Quiz 9:30 Gruen 10:10 Doctor Who 10:55 You Can't Ask That 11:25 David Attenborough's Galapagos 12:20 Tick F***ing Tock 1:15 Community 1:35 Parks and Recreation 2:00 Reno 911!	6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Seeds Of Yesterday; 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 8:30 The Front Bar 9:30 America's Got Talent 11:30 World's Deadliest Weather 12:30 Black-ish 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 Mega Zoo; 1:00 Desperate Housewives; 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 Paramedics 9:30 A+E After Dark 10:30 Nine News Late 11:00 New Amsterdam 11:50 The Fix 12:40 Tipping Point 1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 2:30 Global Shop 3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping 5:00 Nine News Early Edition 5:30 Today	6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy Encore; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Bachelorette Australia Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First 6:30 The Project 7:30 The Bachelorette Australia 9:00 Hustlers 11:10 The Project Encore 12:10 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1:00 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS Mornings	5:00 France 24 Feature; 5:15 NHK World English News; 5:30 Deutsche Welle English News; 6:00 France 24 English News First Edition; 6:30 Al Jazeera English News; 7:00 BBC News; 7:30 Italian News; 8:10 Filipino News; 8:40 French News; 9:30 Greek News; 10:30 German News; 11:00 Spanish News; 11:30 Turkish News; 12:00 Arabic News F24; 12:30 ABC America; 1:00 PBS Newshour; 2:00 The Mosque Next Door; 3:00 Woven Threads Stories From Within; 3:10 Dylan Alcott Meets Kevin Sheedy; 3:45 The Cook Up with Adam Liaw; 4:15 Secrets Unearthed Medieval Cathedrals; 5:05 Jeopardy!; 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind 6:30 SBS World News 7:35 Wonderful World Of Chocolate
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November 2021 Horoscopes: week 5

How many words can you find?

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Last Week’s Solution

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Crossword

ACROSS

3. Fruit

9. Arbiter

10. Drink

11. United States emblem

12. Soaks

15. Gusty

18. Saw-edged

21. And not

22. Predictor

23. Platform

25. Beneficiary

27. Eastern temples

29. Baby carriage

31. Metal container

32. Predetermined

35. Twilled fabric

37. Recollection

38. Hall

40. Flood

41. Apparel

42. Tapering part of a steeple

DOWN

1. Conjecture

2. Orb

3. Ready

4. Smallest amount

5. Wire measure

6. Diving bird

7. Italian title equivalent to mister

8. Tax

13. Having left a will

14. Soon

16. Meantime

17. Member of a band

19. Expunge

20. Dowry

24. Musical composition for seven

26. Miner's wedge

28. Belt

30. Lack of oxygen

33. Smudge

34. County in Wales

35. Flank

36. Ova

39. Corded fabric

LAST WEEK’S SOLUTION

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ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)
A positive aspect to Neptune will give your powers of intuition a boost. A subtle piece of behaviour will tell you everything you need to know about a new colleague. **Romance.** Your partner may be looking at recent events in a very different way from the way you do. A sensitive approach will help you to find a compromise.

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)
Inactivity will not help you to get to grips with a problem which has been dominating your thoughts for the past few days. You need a positive attitude and the courage to deal with the matter head-on. **Romance.** Be careful not to let a relative try to interfere in your relationship. This person won't understand the issues, and could end up doing more harm than good.

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)
Consider all your options carefully before making a final choice. You have an important decision coming up and must get it right, even if it takes time. **Romance.** A mysterious phone call which you miss may be the key to the whole week's events. This person will contact you again in a few days.

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)
A challenging aspect to Pluto later in the week will bring a few secrets to the surface. Do your best to maintain a clear head and deal with each new issue as it arises: don't hide anything. **Romance.** Make sure that your partner doesn't feel left out of any social activities which you are planning.

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)
A powerful aspect to Neptune could make you a little impractical at times. Make sure that you don't get into a situation which is difficult to get out of – you may not see the downside until it is too late. **Romance.** A person who is extremely keen on you may be more genuine than you think. Ignore a friend who tries to put you off.

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)
Contact from a friend overseas will cheer you up. You will be relieved to hear from this person and to find out how things have been going over the past few weeks. **Romance.** A powerful aspect to Mars could make you a little tense at times. Do your best to avoid getting into an argument with your partner.

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)
This should be an excellent period for any ventures which involve a certain amount of risk. If you make the right moves you could win a lot of money. **Romance.** A compromise will help you to bury the hatchet and move on to more important matters. Both of you will need to make concessions, however.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)
A misunderstanding with a neighbour may come to a head this week. This person has views which are quite different from your own, but don't underestimate how much common ground you have. **Romance.** Your love-life might be going through a barren patch at the moment. A meeting later in the week will improve the situation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)
A kind suggestion will help you to smooth things over with a colleague who is being difficult. This person is much more insecure than they seem and will respond well to flattery. **Romance.** You will be pleasantly surprised at how popular you are with members of the opposite sex.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)
An open discussion of views will help you to see recent events in a much more positive light. Try to "read between the lines" to work out what really happened. **Romance.** You may be sorely tempted to take up a recent offer from a long-term admirer. A meeting with this person later in the week will be worth looking forward to.

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)
A strange dream will help you to make sense of recent changes in your life. Although not much has changed on the surface you may be wary about what could happen next. **Romance.** Be careful not to let a disagreement over money spill over into other areas of your relationship.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)
A message from a person in authority will help you to understand your options a little more clearly. You may have more freedom to do what you want than you realise. **Romance.** A meeting with a person you were once very fond of may rekindle some of your old feelings towards them.

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No.354

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

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

Level of Difficulty: Medium

Solution No. 353

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CHILDREN’s entertainment will be the highlight of the Lions Club of Waikerie’s Christmas Fair on Friday.

The community organisation is spending \$5000 to run the event, which replaces Waikerie’s annual Christmas pageant.

Waikerie Lions Club president, Pam Stendara, said Covid-19 restrictions meant the pageant could not be held this year, as a Covid-19 marshal would have been required for every 100 metres along the route.

She said the fair would feature a jumping castle, a computer game with coloured lights to press, a magician, circus entertainers on stilts and penny-farthings, and a fairy floss machine.

Food vendors will include Spuds and More, Thai cuisine, a free sausage sizzle, and an ice-cream van.

Waikerie Lions Club mascot, Leo the Lion will also be there and Santa will visit on a fire truck.

Adults will be able to spin a Chocolate wheel for prizes, which include hams, chickens, Christmas puddings and several items donated by local businesses.

Mrs Stendara said it was important for Waikerie to have a Christmas event this year as last year the pageant was also cancelled.

“We had nothing last year because of Covid and you still need something for the children and the families to look forward to,” she said.

The Waikerie Lions Club has also organised three mail boxes in the town for children to post letters to Santa.

Co-ordinator of the Santa’s Mailbox in Waikerie, and Waikerie Lions Club member, Athalie Verrall, said the mail boxes were placed at the Ramco and Waikerie Primary



Waikerie Lions Club member Athalie Verrall with one of Santa’s Mailboxes, which will be at the Christmas Fair at Waikerie this Friday. PHOTO: Christine Webster

Schools and Waikerie Lutheran Primary School.

She said almost 30 letters had been received so far from children in the town and as one of Santa’s helpers she has enjoyed reading the letters.

Mrs Verrall said children can also send a letter to Santa at the Waikerie Lions Fair on Friday.

She said a mail box would be located next to the Lions Food Van at the Waikerie Christmas Fair on Friday.

“With this they will need to put an email on the letter, so that they can receive a reply, as Santa won’t know where to find them,” she said.

The fair on Friday starts at 4pm and runs until 8pm.

WELCOME to the festive season of 2021. In one week it will be the first day of December and despite the interruptions, cancellations and concerns of the Covid-19 virus throughout the year, I hear people saying “Hasn’t this year gone quickly?”. As we welcome December with optimism and a time to share with families, friends, work colleagues and our communities, we can reflect and give thanks for the progress that our Riverland region has achieved in the past year and look forward to what next year will bring.

This week the excitement in our region begins in earnest. Wherever you are living, may your community share this festive time together in the weeks to Christmas and New Year. This Friday, November 26 from 4pm until 8pm will be an evening at the Waikerie Lions Park. It’s a chance to enjoy a get together – especially the little ones – as again we are unable to have a Christmas Pageant this year, due to Covid-19 restrictions. Thanks to Waikerie Lions Club members for presenting this festival event for the community.

Our residents give thanks to Christmas Decoration Committee members who have over the weekend transformed our town of Waikerie into a Christmas delight, with red ribbons bows on the trees, fairy lights and such Christmas splendour for all to enjoy. Thank you to all those local community groups, be they businesses, schools, church, sporting or individual families, who have contributed to the success of the Christmas Tree Trail again this year. For some, it may be the first time and we trust you will enjoy participating in this special event.

We are excited that Santa will be in residence at the Waikerie Santa’s Cave every day, from this Saturday November 27. Opening hours will be 10am to 4pm daily.

For those who enjoy a little extra special treat with friends, share the latest initiative at the Waikerie Hotel Motel. Every day from 11.30am until 5pm a ‘high tea’ is available. So, head to the Waikerie Hotel, relax and enjoy with your friends.

The Rotary Club of Waikerie provided refreshments for the Riverland Community

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH **GWEN WEBBER**



gwenwebber21@gmail.com

Suicide Prevention Network on Saturday morning. Group members were visiting reflection seats throughout the Riverland, acknowledging the loss to suicide within communities. The club contributed funds toward a reflection seat along the Cliff Top Walk that was dedicated with the group present. Loxton Waikerie councillors, Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone and patrons of the Riverland Community Suicide Prevention Network and invited guests attended.

Waikerie RSL members welcome interested residents to their forthcoming annual general meeting this Sunday, November 28 at the RSL clubrooms in Thompson Street at 11am. All committee positions are open for election. Nominations close on November 25.

Waikerie RSL members are pleased to advise a statewide travelling photographic exhibition featuring veterans, war widows and partners will be open to interested residents on Saturday, November 27 from 10am to 2pm, Sunday, November 28 from 12.30pm to 3pm at the RSL clubrooms.

It must be the time for AGM’s as the Adelaide Crows Riverland Supporters Group members held its meeting at the Loxton Club on the weekend. Committee members were all re-elected for the forthcoming year, with Peter Marks continuing as president, and Jenny Sindos as secretary. We look forward to seeing the program for the AFL season 2022. That will determine what we can do to give our supporters group social activities and coach trips to Adelaide Oval during the AFL season.

Thought for the week:
“If we don’t help each other, who will?”
- Barbara Mandrell



ROCKING FOR A CAUSE: Participants of the Waikerie Car Cruise Rock ‘n’ Roll fundraiser on October 24, Dean Schubert (left), of Blanchetown, Graeme Ward, of Waikerie, Sheri Schubert, of Blanchetown, and Michelle Ward, of Waikerie, with the event organisers, Judy Maskell and Peter Ward.



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At the Riverland Rumble Poker Spectacular at the Berri Hotel last month were Bill Kanakaris, Todd Rivers, Mick Sparrow and Matt Elson. PHOTOS: Deirdre Graham

Poker players rumble in Riverland

SOME of the best poker players from across South Australia converged on the Riverland last month for the latest round of a rich series.

Presented by Southern Poker Tour, the Berri Hotel hosted the four-day Riverland Rumble II, which comprised eight tournaments, including a main event offering \$13,000 for first place alone.

Local player Bahri Ozbiricik won the main event, and also the Player Of The Year Award for his results across the past 12 months, while Adelaide professional Jerry Zhang won back-to-back Player Of The Series awards.

“It started in Barmera last October,” explained organiser and co-owner Todd Rivers.

“We did a \$57,000 series, then went to the Barossa and did a \$91,000 event, then to Victor



POKER FACE: The ‘high rollers table’ at the Riverland Rumble.

Harbor for a \$120,000 series.

“The last one preceding the Riverland return was at Hahndorf for a \$150,000 series, with all state borders still closed.

“We are now the best known poker provider in the state, and will release details of our new event in the coming days on our social media sites.”

Mr Rivers described the Riverland Rumble II as “very successful”, more than doubling the last series. He said local and visiting players all enjoyed the weekend, with a new game known as Survivor – which is a cross between poker and the TV show – being the most popular along with the tag team event.

Tegan’s 2020 look in a book

JACK HUDSON

REGULAR Riverland visitor Tegan Tiss has put pen to paper on a new book called ‘2020: Why We Needed It’ going through the challenges of last year.

Ms Tiss – who travels to Loxton regularly for work and whose parents own property in Morgan – answers the question ‘Did we need 2020?’ with the education and learnings from the hard experiences of people across the world.

“Deaths, illnesses, tragedies, adversities, suffering, cancelled events, changed plans and hardships aside, did some positives come from (2020)?” she said.

“In a world where we have lost our ability to communicate with others, ourselves, and society in general, did Covid-19 bring us closer together?”

“In a world where we predominantly think of ourselves, did it force us to think about others?”

“In a world where we are too busy to slow down and think about where we are going and why we are going there, did it provide us with the opportunity to pause and reassess our lives?”

Ms Tiss highlighted when people go out, they sit on their phones, or use self-serve checkouts at the supermarket and much more.

“We have departed so far from our ancestry as human beings that we don’t even realise it,” she said.

“Issues such as anxiety, depression, lack of human connection and the health of businesses and environment, were all intensified and exaggerated during Covid-19, giving us a glimpse of our potential future if we didn’t change.



2020: Why We Needed It by Tegan Tiss.



Author Tegan Tiss. PHOTOS: supplied

“But we could also see what would happen if we did change.

“By reflecting on these changes as I experienced in South Australia during 2020 – when the pandemic first became global – along with a brief outline on how far humans have departed from the time spent as hunters and gatherers, it is hoped that people can read the book and improve their lives for the better.

“The events of 2020 would be more tragic if we learnt nothing from them and simply moved on.”

The book is available online and in book stores.

the quarantine quiz



1. In how many countries did the new ABBA album ‘Voyage’ enter the charts at number one in its first week?
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2. Who starred as Arnold Schwarzenegger’s twin in “Twins”?
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3. What city is the executive capital of the European Union?
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4. What is the name of the good witch in “The Wizard of Oz”?
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5. How many is four score and seven?
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6. What type of volcanic stone is commonly used during pedicures?
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7. What is the most populous island in French Polynesia?
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8. Who was Pinocchio’s conscience?
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9. If a person is “guapo” in Spanish, what are they in English?
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10. What sport does the term “en garde!” come from?
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11. What type of animation was used to make “Gumby” and “Wallace & Gromit”?
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12. What animal is the closest relative of the bonobo?
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13. What is the word for the last car on a freight train?
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14. What was Geri Halliwell’s alter-ego as part of the Spice Girls?
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15. If a birdie is one under par, what is two under par?
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16. What medical symptom can be described as a yellowing of the skin?
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17. What type of liquor is also known as “white lightning”?
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18. In what city is Coney Island located?
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19. What mythological figure emerged from sea foam?
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20. Who was born in Kentucky, grew up in Indiana, started his career in Illinois, and died in Washington D.C?
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BONUS QUESTION:

How many people signed the American Declaration of Independence? Answer in next week’s Quiz.

Answers on page 39

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POSITION VACANCY

IRRIGATION MAINTENANCE WORKER

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The Trust is seeking an enthusiastic and flexible Irrigation Maintenance Worker. This position is a full-time position. You will enjoy maintaining and managing the day to day water delivery and drainage system infrastructure in Renmark.

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- General maintenance tasks as required
- Undertake Certificate III training in Engineering - Mechanical Trade

Skills and Experience:

- Be self-motivated with a can-do attitude
- Completed a minimum of year 11
- Sound general mechanical and engineering knowledge and aptitude
- Excellent problem-solving skills
- Current Drivers licence and reliable transport
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

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Applications close Tuesday 30 November 2021

2022 Vintage

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To increase your chance of gaining employment you are encouraged to submit your application as soon as possible.

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Cellar Hands perform various tasks that contribute to the production and dispatch of wine. This position will suit you if you enjoy working in a team along with being outdoors and physically active. Experience in general cellar activities will be highly regarded although not essential. You will possess basic literacy and numeracy skills. A current forklift and HR licence will be considered an advantage.

Vineyard Operators

Vineyard Operators are responsible for performing safe vineyard operations including tractor and tote bin driving, observing and mechanical harvesting activities. This position will suit you if you enjoy working in a team along with being physically active outdoors. Experience in harvesting operations and/or general tractor experience is preferred.

Laboratory Technician

Laboratory Technicians are responsible for accurate and timely analytical testing, calibration reporting, data entry and trade sample preparation. Ideal applicants will possess excellent attention to detail and effective literacy, numeracy, communication and analytical skills. Relevant experience or qualifications in the laboratory environment is preferred but not essential as training will be provided.

Weighbridge Operators

Weighbridge Operators are responsible for receiving grapes delivered to the Winery, sampling, entering data and liaising with internal and external stakeholders to ensure the effective coordination of deliveries. This position will suit you if you demonstrate strong attention to detail, accurate data entry and a can-do attitude, are proficient in the use of Microsoft applications and can liaise effectively with people to resolve issues that impact deliveries.

Truck Drivers

Truck Drivers are responsible for the safe cartage of grapes and grape juice within the Riverland region. This position will suit Truck Drivers looking to work consistent hours close to home. Grain carters are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be willing to undertake shift work and possible weekend work. A current HC or MC drivers' licence and experience driving a semi-trailer is essential.

Vintage Intake Scheduler

The Vintage Intake Scheduler supports the Grower Relations/Technical Advisor to coordinate and schedule grape supply into the winery from company vineyards and external growers. This position will suit you if you possess accurate and high-speed data entry skills, are proficient in the use of Microsoft applications, have a commitment to meeting deadlines and can liaise effectively with people. Experience within a similar role or in a supply chain position will be considered an advantage.

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**Applications Close:
Friday 26th November 2021**

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RENMARK
IRRIGATION TRUST

POSITION VACANCY

APPRENTICESHIP - ENGINEERING
- MECHANICAL TRADESPERSON
(FITTER)

The Renmark Irrigation Trust (the Trust) has a long and proud history of underpinning the wealth and wellbeing of the Renmark area by providing irrigation water and drainage services. The Trust is also committed to rehabilitating local floodplains and is the first irrigation entity in Australia to receive the Alliance for Water Stewardship Platinum Certification, confirming the Trust's status as a leader in water related practices.

The Trust is seeking an enthusiastic worker with a desire to join the Trust team as an apprentice mechanical tradesperson (fitter). This position is a full-time position. You will enjoy learning and working as part of a team, assisting in maintaining and managing the day to day water delivery and drainage system infrastructure in Renmark.

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- Highly motivated, reliable, strong work ethic, empathetic, mature nature, and responsible with a can-do attitude
- Ability to take responsibility and follow tasks through
- Previous experience in Reception would be an advantage
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Applications close 26th November 2021

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The District Council of Loxton Waikerie is pleased to offer the opportunity of 2 Traineeships in Certificate III Business. These traineeships will be full time positions based in the Loxton Council Office over a 12 month period.

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Duties will include:

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It is essential that the successful applicant must have:

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- Community orientated spirit
- Willingness to learn and take on a variety of administrative tasks
- Professional presentation

If you are willing to commit to a 12-month training contract to achieve a Certificate III in Business, we look forward to hearing further from you in your application.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Applicants must submit a resume', cover letter and complete the Employment Application form (obtained from our website www.lwdc.sa.gov.au) when applying for this position.

All applications must be emailed to Council's email - council@lwdc.sa.gov.au

Further enquiries regarding the position may be obtained by contacting the Human Resources Officer on 8541 0700 or the Loxton Office Manager on 8584 8000 during business hours.

Applications will be received up to 12 noon on Friday 10 December 2021

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David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

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REQUIREMENTS

- Cooking, creating and preparing meals
- Food safe handling, cleaning and good hygiene
- Assisting head Chef with day to day kitchen duties
- Flexible hours with main shifts Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

For more information contact Joel Sheehan-Chairman of the Club or the Head Chef Andre'a at the Waikerie Club
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To apply, please email your resume inclusive of 2 to 3 referees and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the role to the Administration Manager, bernie@loxtonirrigation.com.au

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If you're a people person, and organisation, accuracy, and motivation drives you, please provide your resume' to the following:

- office@finpathsa.com.au; or
- The Director, PO Box 88 BERRI SA 5343.

Applications close 30 November, 2021

Renmark Club

The Renmark Club Committee would like to announce the

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on

MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2021

commencing at 7.30pm sharp

at the Renmark club

Nominations for board will close on Monday 29th November at 5pm.

LOXTON NORTH Sports Club

PANTHERS

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Junior Football Club AGM: 6.00pm onwards

Sports Club AGM: 6.30pm onwards

Football Club AGM: 7.00pm onwards

at the Loxton North Sporting Club

HAPPY HOUR FROM 6PM-7PM

Enquiries or Apologies to:

Jnr Football Club to Leonie - 0428 255 896

Sports Club to Michelle - 0407 697 340

Football Club to Vicki - 0458 810 469

RENMARK NETBALL CLUB

Annual General Meeting

will be held on

Monday, December 6, 2021, 7.00pm

at the Renmark Paringa Council Chambers.

Nominations for Executive or Committee positions can be emailed to the Secretary prior to the date on renmarknetballclub@gmail.com

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2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 29th November at 7pm – Renmark Club

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It will be held at the Day Options Venue, 28A Kay Ave Berri, light refreshments will be provided

Please RSVP for seating and catering purposes to 8582 3110

Members of the community are invited to attend. Due to Covid-19, RSVP's are a must

Mid Murray Council

Naming of Roads and Public Places Policy

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting on 9 November 2021 Mid Murray Council resolved to adopt an altered Naming of Roads and Public Places Policy pursuant to section 219 of the Local Government Act 1999.

A copy of the policy is available for inspection on Council's website, www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au or at any of the Council Offices: 49 Adelaide Road, Mannum, Main Street, Cambrai or Cnr Fourth & Eighth Streets, Morgan.

Written comment to be received no later than 5:00pm 16 December 2021 via postbox@mid-murray.sa.gov.au or PO Box 28, Mannum SA 5238.

Ben Scales
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Australia Day

Citizen of the year Awards

Renmark Paringa Council

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Who makes a difference in your community?

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year

We look forward to seeing your submissions and celebrating the success of our community.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON 5 DECEMBER 2021

To nominate, please visit www.citizenoftheyear.com.au/nominate/ and complete a nomination form.

BARMERA CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Barmera Christmas Pageant event has been modified due to Covid-19.

There will be no pageant this year, but there will be a pop up parade and fireworks will still be occurring at 9:15pm on Friday the 10th of December. The fireworks will be released on Lake Bonney directly out from the Barmera Jetty. Whilst it is very disappointing that the pageant is not occurring this year, we can only hope that it will be bigger and brighter next year.

Any enquires please contact the Barmera Visitor Information Centre on 8588 2289.

District Council of Loxton Waikerie

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LOXTON WAIKERIE

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie hereby exercises the power pursuant to Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 and Clause "F" of the Instrument of General Approval of the Minister dated 12 March 2001 to:

- Pursuant to section 33 (1) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that the following schedule of roads be closed to traffic between 8.00am and 4.00pm from Friday 26 November to Sunday 5 December 2021 for the Loxton Light Up events.
 - Drabsch Street Crossover closed for the Loxton Light Up events Saturday 27 November 2021 from 9.00am - 7.00pm
 - Murray Street Crossover closed for Ferris Wheel 12 noon Friday 26 November to 7.00pm Sunday 5 December 2021
- Pursuant to Section 33 (1)(b) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that persons taking part in the Event be exempted (in relation to the roads) from the duty to observe Australian Road Rules 230 and 238.

For further information contact Greg Perry 8584 8000 gperry@lwdc.sa.gov.au

David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

Close of Roll for Supplementary Election

Mid Murray Council

Due to the passing of a member of the council, a supplementary election will be necessary to fill the vacancy of Councillor for Eyre Ward.

The voters roll for this supplementary election will close at 5pm on Tuesday 30 November 2021.

You are entitled to vote in the election if you are enrolled on the State electoral roll for the council area. If you have recently turned 18 or changed your residential or postal address you must complete an electoral enrolment form available online at www.ecsa.sa.gov.au

If you are not eligible to enrol on the State electoral roll you may still be entitled to enrol to vote if you own or occupy a property in the council area. Contact the council to find out how.

Nominations to fill the vacancy will open on Thursday 30 December 2021 and will be received until 12 noon on Thursday 13 January 2022.

The election will be conducted entirely by post with the return of ballot material to reach the Returning Officer no later than 12 noon on Monday 21 February 2022.

Mick Sherry
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GILGEN, Linda Kaye (nee Newcombe).
All the best for Thursday, November 26.
All our love, Mum and Bob Gilbert; Dad, Jo and Brendon; Mack and Tayla; Paul, Amanda and boys; and all the family.

DEATHS

BURTENSHAW, Nance (nee Greenslade).
12/4/1936 – 16/11/2021
Passed away peacefully.
Wife of Graham for 63 years.
Mother and mother-in-law of Sue and Philip, David and Helen.
Cherished nan of Liam and Jack.
Always a Renmark girl.

HRONOPOULOS, Dimitra.
Passed away peacefully with family present on Wednesday, November 17, 2021.
Aged 75 years.
Loved wife of Panagiotis (deceased).
Loving mother and mother-in-law of Sophia, Katherine, Chris and Renee.
Loved yiayia of Peter, Dimitri, Zacharias; Keelyn, and Tehya D.
Forever in our hearts.

DIMITRA'S funeral was held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at St. Dimitrios Greek Orthodox Church.



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DEATHS

SANSOM, Graeme.
Passed away peacefully on November 21, 2021.
Aged 60 years.
Son of Kay Tucker (deceased) and William Thomas Sansom (deceased).
Brother to Russel, Michael and Jane.
Loved father of Steven and Kelly, father-in-law to Shona.
Cherished poppy of Kaleb and Dominic.
Soulmate of Lisa. Forever my love.
Dad to many, cherished by all.
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SCHUBERT, Irene Doris (nee Schiller).
Aged 95 years.
Passed away November 14, 2021, at Pioneer Haven, Waikerie.
Loved wife of Wally (deceased).
Loving mum of Bev and Neill, Roy, Judi and Graham.
Treasured nanna of Steven and Anthony, Sirelle and Kristen (deceased), Sarah and Nathan and their partners.
Dear granny of Delaney, Vivienne and Ivy, Olivia, Charlotte and Mackenzie, Mal, Marni and Caleb.
Resting peacefully in God's loving care.
Irene's funeral was conducted on Monday, November 22, 2021 in the Waikerie Lutheran Church, followed by a committal in the Waikerie and Districts Cemetery.
If desired, donations in memory of Irene, to Lutheran Media; Reply Paid 65735, 197 Archer Street, North Adelaide SA 5006, would be appreciated.



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SHORROCK, Kim Maxwell 'Kimbo'.
Passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Friday, November 19, 2021.
Aged 68 years.
Loving husband of Lynne.
Proud father of Dan and Sally, Cindy and Arron, Matt and Chloe.
Loved and adored poppy of Mia, Jack, Harry, Eddie, Macy, Max, Brock and Jaxon.
Rest easy now, Kimbo.

DEATHS

SHORROCK, Kim Maxwell 'Kimbo'.
RIP Big Bother. Kimbo/Uncle Kim.
Your hat lies still hanging on the kitchen wall.
Your sunnies still attached and they will never fall.
Your kids all gathered there and it has become a symbol to us all.
You lived and cared for your family year after year.
Working hard and playing hard without any fear.
Along with Lynne you raised a beautiful family of kids and grandkids and you are already missed by everyone.
You were taken too soon to enjoy but you are at peace now.
So wherever you are, sit back, have a drink and relax, I will see you in the next roundup. xo
Love Deb and family. Max and Caitlin.
'The next shout is on them.'

SHORROCK, Kim Maxwell 'Kimbo'.
Dearly loved brother and brother-in-law of Rusty and Lyn.
Loved uncle of Brett, Shane and Jodi, and Brad.
Loved great-uncle of Zoe and Will, Amber, Jay and Lilli.
Forever fishing.

TWIGDEN, Lester John Francis.
Passed away peacefully in his sleep on November 17, 2021.
Aged 72 years.
Beloved father of Frank, Lance, Kate and Wesley.
Husband to Julie.
Brother to Trevor and Greg.
Son of Kevin and Margaret (both deceased).
Loved beyond words. Forever in our hearts.
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FUNERALS

SHORROCK.
Relatives and friends are advised that Kim's funeral service will be conducted in its entirety at the Riverland Funeral Chapel, 231 21st Street, Renmark, on Friday, November 26, 2021 at 11am.



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IN MEMORIAM

LACEY, Christopher.
25/11/2020
It's been a year since you quietly slipped away. Always in our thoughts, and missed every day.
No longer in our lives to share. But in our hearts, always there.
Loved and always remembered.

RETURN THANKS

ZANKER, Keith.
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CHRISTMAS trees (cut) for sale at the Paringa Christmas Tree Farm, 21715 Sturt Highway, Paringa (Wonuarra GPS). 1 - 2 metres, \$50 - \$60. Choose your own tree. Native pines and Aleppo pines available. Open 8am - 8pm every Saturday from November 27 - December 18. Contact Ed 0408266776 or Marg 0428674295.

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GLOSSOP Hall - MacGillivray Road. Saturday, November 27, 9am - 1pm. Clothes, electrical, arts, books and more. Plus raffle. Riverland Gem and Mineral Club.

GLOSSOP - 54 Jones Road. Saturday, November 27. 8am - 2pm. New child's playpen, outdoor chairs, JVC camera/computer bags, gardening, dog/cat carrier, 3" galvanised fence wire, plenty more, low prices.

LOXTON - 8 Hayward Terrace. Saturday, November 27, 7.30am - 12 noon. Christmas trees, bird houses, planter boxes, garden tools, signs, lawn mowers. Lots more including the kitchen sink.

LOXTON North - 249 Edwards Road. Open Friday, November 26, Saturday 27 and Sunday 28, 10am - 4pm. Plant sale. Large selection indoor/shade house plants. Punnets: flowers and vegetables 3 for \$10; In stock now: Crepe myrtles, avocados, persimmon, alstroemeria and more now available. Phone 85841205.

MONASH - Bollenhagen Road. Saturday November 27 and Sunday 28, 8am - 4pm, signs out. Big downsizing sale, everything must go. Furniture, plants, adult clothes (16 - 26, xl - 7xl), homewares, electrical, books, block and irrigation gear.

RENMARK - Lions Club of Renmark Fundraising Bazaar. Undercover in the W.E. Wood Pavillion No.2 oval. Saturday, November 27, 8am - 12 noon. Lots of unusual bargains. Furniture, white goods, bric-a-brac and lots more. Something for everyone. Covid-19 government restrictions still apply. BBQ and donuts will be available. Be early and grab a bargain. This Bazaar is our last one for this year. Christmas decorations on sale. Thank you for your support during 2021. Eftpos available. All proceeds will be donated to the RFDS. Further information contact Colin 0419801996.

RENMARK 18th Street. Saturday, November 27, from 7am. Homewares, plants/garden, toys, clothing, shed items and furniture.

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Pastor Dean Mills
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LOXTON

First Sunday of Advent
Sunday, November 28

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10.30am HC
Concordia 10am HC
da Costa Confirmation
Myrla 9am
Lay reading
New Residence
Bookpurnong 8.30am HC
da Costa Confirmation
Rest Home Wed, Dec 1
10.30am HC

Lutheran Ministry Centre
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Sunday, November 28

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Riverland Volunteers

A fitting final tribute to original Cooltong settlers

Just a few weeks ago ALICE CRESP provided the following article about her memories of the original COOLTONG SETTLEMENT, explaining that she wanted the recollections to be recorded somewhere, as she was “the lone survivor of those wonderful years”. Alice passed away on November 14 at the age of 99.

IN 1949 my husband Joe Cresp received notice of his successful application for land at Cooltong, under a government Soldier Settlement scheme for returned servicemen. On March 11, 1950, we moved to our allotment number 278, which was about in the middle of the settlement. It was a sandhill with a two-bedroom cottage, bare floorboards and windows. It was a case of everything from scratch and on a government allowance of four pounds a week. There were three families there already: the Mannings, the Newsteads and the Loxtons. We were the fourth. We moved into a new life, with no electricity, phones, water or roads, but we were bursting with happiness and enthusiasm. Now, 70 years on, I find myself the lone survivor of those wonderful years, and feel I cannot pass without paying tribute to the gallant

men and women who made Cooltong into a flourishing fruit growing area. The friendship, shared activities and different talents and knowledge were just outstanding when you realise that a group of people previously unknown to each other could build a community with pleasure, enjoyment, determination and hard work. The very early days were tough. The road to our block was almost 12 months in the making. Our cottage had a wood stove and fireplace, and water came from a drum at the back door. Most families moved into Nissen huts until their war service homes were built, and the men who were already there gained employment with the contractors with these constructions. Just the one road went through the settlement, giving rise to the blocks being regarded as top or bottom blocks – depending on which side of the road the block sat. Top blocks grew stone fruits and citrus, bottom blocks grew vines and citrus. A side road went in eventually. It went to a pump station on the Ral Ral Creek, and from that station a pipe ran up to the settlement. From one point water was then collected using horse and cart to fill water tanks for both households and irri-



Alice Cresp’s late husband, Joe, driving the water cart with his horse, Happy. PHOTO: supplied

gation use. Before the Cooltong store was established families offered their homes to be “drop-off points” for the mail, which came daily, and bread, which came twice a week. Meat was delivered by Lindners butchers weekly, while Greenslades delivered groceries weekly, after the order was submitted the week beforehand. There were no handouts or free gifts in those days. It was do it yourself or go without. DIY I’m sure was born in Cooltong. Fruit properties started from scratch, paddocks were transformed with horse and plough and long handled shovels, and watering was done with horse and cart. We had no say in what our plantings were and chemicals used, so things didn’t always go to plan, due to faulty stock from nurseries and experiments with chemicals.

(No warnings or protective clothing). Water for irrigation did come, eventually, and I remember when the channel ran past our place, towards evening heading out with soap and towel to take a bath – as I’m sure many others did as well. Eventually, irrigation was done with Pope portable sprinklers that were very heavy and had to be shifted every four hours. Later, overhead sprinklers were installed, and eventually under-tree sprinklers. Everyone had been so busy trying to get settled there hadn’t been much time to socialise or get to know one another. About 12 months in, Jean George – who later developed a beautiful garden – invited the ladies and their kids to afternoon tea to meet each other. From this get together many lasting friendships were forged

and I remember a wonderful Christmas gathering in the stone quarry. Around this time an idea was suggested of building a community hall that we could all use. It meant more hard work, but with so much pleasure, firstly fundraising, then when the actual building of the hall went ahead. It was a place where many celebrations, meetings and Christmas parties were held. AV (Jack Harrington) was a wiz with a welder and once electricity was connected, he offered to teach the men how to weld and build their own trailers. These would be of great benefit, carting wood for stoves and fires as well as general block use. In 1956, when the flood came, it was more hard work, with men up all night building flood banks, and the women baking cakes and biscuits to keep them all fed. It was cash crops – over several years – of peas and tomatoes, with many late nights out in the shed bagging and sewing up. That gave us a few extra bob to be able to afford a Fordson tractor, hot water system and a new car. The ‘good life’ had arrived. Probably one of the darkest memories of my Cooltong life was to witness the Maralinga “mushroom cloud”. I remember it clearly visible from the top of our

block coming from the Monash area across to Berri and Loxton way. It reminded me of Hiroshima, and to me filth, disease and suffering. I do often wonder if it was the cause of so much cancer in the Riverland. In total there were 48 war service properties granted for the Cooltong area. I have not mentioned each family from the settlement by name. There are so many memories – of good times and bad – that united the community we built. I just wanted to pay tribute to those men and women who laid the foundations of the Cooltong settlement, and made it the flourishing community I remember. For the lasting friendships and all those never-to-be-forgotten days that stemmed from the generous hearts and hard work from each other. Cooltong was forged by men who had already given themselves to their country in service in the Middle East and Pacific, bodies already flogged. It was born with guts and determination and the support of their wives. Cooltong is where my children grew up in happiness and safety. It is a lifetime of many wonderful stories and happy memories. May all your good deeds go before you, and may you all Rest in Peace.

New motorbike licensing scheme to boost road and rider safety

YOUNG and inexperienced motorcycle riders in South Australia transitioned to an enhanced licensing scheme this week to boost road safety. Minister for Road Safety, Vincent Tarzia, said the Department for Infrastructure and Transport issued notices to riders last month to explain the Graduated Licensing Scheme

(GLS) and changes. “Our significant changes for motorcycle riders will save lives because the enhanced licensing system boosts road skills over a longer period,” Mr Tarzia said. A major change includes the minimum age for a motorcycle learner’s permit increased from 16 to 18, however 16-year-

old regional residents travelling for education, work or sport can still hold a permit. “We’re giving young and novice motorcycle riders the time they need to hone their skills on our roads,” Mr Tarzia said. “That additional time on a motorcycle means more road experience and gives riders a far greater chance to arrive home safe and

sound. Rider Safe is a compulsory motorcycle training course for novice riders that provides tuition for basic and advanced skills necessary for safe road use.” GLS legislation passed Parliament in March this year. For more information on the GLS or the Rider Safe program visit mylicence.sa.gov.au.

RIVERLAND CAMERA CLUB

The Riverland Camera Club is one of the oldest in South Australia and meets twice a month. Below are some of the winning shots for the past month.



‘Breakaway’, by Pam Griffin.



‘Overland backwater’, by Dean Lines.



‘Catch it’, by Pam Griffin.



‘Hat away’, by Pam Griffin.

Big week for Barmera

IT was a big week for Barmera’s division one men’s team, with two wins in four nights taking the Lakers from third to top in Riverland basketball.

On Thursday night, Barmera easily accounted for fifth-placed Berri by 35 points, with Jack Sullivan leading the charge.

Sullivan scored 21 points to dominate the game for Barmera, while Dillon Millard (16) and Riley Haigh (14) also had good games.

For Berri, Joel Szalbot scored 15 points and Heath Campbell scored 11.

Then in Monday night’s catch-up game, the Lakers held on for a thrilling victory over top team Loxton by four points.

Barmera led all night, but when back-to-back baskets from Jack Oates put the Supercats in front by two, the Lakers were in trouble.

Enter Dillon Millard, who scored six of the Lakers’ final eight points, including a triple, to guide Barmera home.

Millard finished the night with 17 points and had plenty of support from Campbell Marks (16) and Sullivan (14).

Brandan Tregeagle was Loxton’s top scorer with 15, with Rogan Kennedy and Oates each compiling 14 points.

Back to last Thursday’s games and Renmark upset Waikerie by 16 points.

Declan Johnson continued his good form to score 16 points for Renmark, with Judd Hansen adding 15, while Shaun Smyth and Jack Parfitt each scored 10 for Waikerie.

Thursday’s division one women’s games saw Barmera defeat Berri by 10 points.

The second quarter proved the difference between the sides, with the Lakers outscoring Berri 16-9.

Chelsea Wutke finished with 18 points for Barmera, with sister Ashlee scoring 13.

Lana Gregoric led all scorers with 20 for Berri.

The other match saw Waikerie comfortably take on Renmark, 71-42.

After a close first half, Waikerie pulled away in the second half for an easy win.

Sienna Lehmann scored 21 points, with Khaleisha Barnett adding 20 for the victors.

Shenae Rucioch was the only Steamer to reach double figures with 16.

RESULTS MEN

DIVISION ONE				
Barmera	15	35	52	67
Loxton	11	32	47	63
Points: Barmera – D. Millard 17, C. Marks 16, J. Sullivan 14, L. Phillips 8, K. Wright 8, A. Smith 4. Loxton – B. Tregeagle 15, R. Kennedy 14, J. Oates 14, C. Lange 8, J. Will 5, T. Wagner 5, L. Francis 2.				

Renmark	5	28	54	61
Waikerie	9	18	29	45
Points: Renmark – D. Johnson 16, J. Hansen 15, C. Gartery 7, W. Stockman 5, A. Haynes 5, R. Curtis 4, B. Rover 4, Z. Gartery 3, J. Brine 2. Waikerie – S. Smyth 10, J. Parfitt 10, B. Fridd 7, L. Exton 7, K. Ling 5, D. Leuders 4, M. White 2.				

Barmera	28	45	63	77
Berri	6	17	34	42
Points: Barmera – J. Sullivan 21, D. Millard 16, R. Haigh 14, A. Smith 10, L. Phillips 8, C. Marks 4, K. Wright 4. Berri – J. Szalbot 15, H. Campbell 11, H. Campbell 10, J. Marr 3, O. Hunyadi 2, R. Tieste 1, P. Dale 0.				

DIVISION TWO
Berri 43 d Barmera 38; Waikerie Black 35 d Supercats 17; Allstars 46 d Loxton 37; Tigers 42 d Waikerie White 34; Loxton 31 d Berri 23.

DIVISION THREE
Barmera 50 d Berri 31; Steamers 107 d Chaffey 34; Warriors 21 d Loxton 17; Waikerie White 26 d Berri Red 15; Blazers 24 d Supercats 22; Waikerie Black 46 drew Renmark 46.



Waikerie’s Sienna Lehmann lays the ball up in her side’s win over Renmark last Thursday night.

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

DIVISION FOUR
Supercats 33 d Blazers 25; Loxton 35 d Berri 24.

WOMEN
DIVISION ONE
Waikerie 17 32 54 71
Renmark 9 21 31 42
Points: Waikerie – S. Lehmann 21, K. Barnett 20, H. Lehmann 13, A. Curtis 6, Y. Liu 5, T. Fridd 2, C. Turner 2, S. Campbell 2. Renmark – S. Rucioch 16, D. Johnson 7, P. Roberts 7, Z. Siviour 5, M. Newman 5, F. Rowett 2.

Barmera	18	34	53	65
Berri	16	25	43	55

Points: Barmera – C. Wutke 18, A. Wutke 13, L. Hill 10, K. Phillips 9, T. Dillon 9, T. Hill 6. Berri – L. Gregoric 20, C. Schupelius 12, A. Westley 10, A. Morgan 6, E. Eleftheriadis 4, C. Gates 2, E. Westley 1.

DIVISION TWO/THREE
Barmera 53 d Berri 31; Catsstars 59 d Supercats 20; Renmark 42 d Waikerie 5; Allstars 33 d Steamers 25; Tigers 37 d Wildcats 13; Lakers 57 d Loxton 11; Loxton 33 d Waikerie 32.

DIVISION FOUR
Tigers 41 d Allstars 15; Waikerie 33 d Berri 31; Loxton 41 d Supercats 22; Renmark 41 d Barmera 13.

BOYS
UNDER 18 (div 1): Barmera 40 d Waikerie 34; Loxton 48 d Renmark 44.
UNDER 18 (div 2): Berri 43 d Barmera 33; Renmark 47 d Waikerie 22.
UNDER 16 (div 1): Barmera 42 d Waikerie 40; Renmark 53 d Loxton 50.
UNDER 16 (div 2): Loxton 24 d Renmark 21; Tigers 47 d Waikerie 23; Supercats 64 d Barmera 19.
UNDER 14 (div 1): Renmark 62 d Loxton

20; Barmera 51 d Berri 16.
UNDER 14 (div 2): Lakers 19 d Renmark 12; Loxton 18 d Barmera 16.
UNDER 12 (div 1): Berri 37 d Waikerie 23; Loxton 34 d Barmera 10.
UNDER 12 (div 2): Loxton 18 d Barmera 16; Waikerie 24 d Supercats 16.

GIRLS
UNDER 18: Renmark 44 d Loxton 11; Berri 37 d Barmera 25.
UNDER 16: Barmera 49 d Waikerie 9; Berri 31 d Renmark 28.
UNDER 14 (div 1): Renmark 35 d Waikerie 28; Barmera 33 d Berri 29; Loxton 54 d Steamers 11.
UNDER 14 (div 2): Barmera 20 drew Supercats 20; Waikerie 30 d Loxton 16.
UNDER 12 (div 1): Berri 52 d 18; Loxton 28 d Waikerie 16.
UNDER 12 (div 2): Supercats 10 d Waikerie 9; Loxton 16 d Barmera 2.



Renmark’s Zoe Siviour and Waikerie’s Khaleisha Barnett fight for the ball.



Toby Johnson dribbles the ball up the court for Renmark’s division three men’s side.

Top women’s eightball trio flex muscles in round seven win

THE top three sides showed their strength in last week’s round of Riverland women’s eightball.

All matches were won by comfortable margins, with the results showing the current gap between the top sides and the rest.

Monash Club DV8s and Lyrup Club Odd Bunch had the biggest winning margins, each triumphing 12-3.

DV8s defeated Lyrup Club and Odd Bunch defeated Barmera Hotel Unpredictables.

Waikerie Club defeated Barmera Pelicans 11-4, while Lyrup Lion Cubs won their match against Barmera Hotel Cue-Ts on forfeit.

Players are reminded that the mystery doubles event will be on Monday, November 29, at the Lyrup Club, starting from 7.30pm.

RESULTS
Monash Club DV8s 12 (S. Garrett, T. Stieler) d Lyrup Club 3 (E. Hoffmann, J. Campbell).
Lyrup Club Odd Bunch 12 (C. Knight, T. Knight) d Barmera Hotel Unpredictables 3 (J. Greenhalgh, K. McAvaney).
Waikerie Club 11 (J. Mackereth, M. Briscoe) d Barmera Pelicans 4 (L. Wuttke, K. Leersen).
Lyrup Lion Cubs 15 defeated Barmera Hotel Cue-Ts 0 (forfeit).

TABLE (AS AT NOVEMBER 15)					
	W	L	F	A	Pts
Mon Club Dv8s	6	1	72	33	12
Waikerie Club	6	1	69	36	12
Lyr Club O/Bunch	5	2	75	30	10
Barmera Pelicans	4	3	53	52	8
Lyrup Club	3	4	50	55	6
Bar Hotel Unpred.	2	5	40	65	4
Bara Hotel Cue-Ts	1	6	33	72	2
Lyrup Lion Cubs	1	6	28	77	2

Ultra good event set to return

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

IMAGINE running 6.7km on the hour, every hour for 38 hours straight on the weekend – for fun.

That was the reality for Western Australia’s Phil Gore, who took out the inaugural Hysterical Carnage Backyard Ultra in Loxton over the weekend.

Former local and event director Shaun Kaesler said the support for the event was “amazing”.

“That’s as close to perfect as an inaugural event could ever be, I think,” he said.

“It was incredibly successful.”

The event began at Habel’s Bend at 10am on Friday morning, with 51 competitors running the 6.7 loop up the ‘Heaven’ cliff-side, down Sophie Edington Drive, through a walking trail, around the Loxton Historical Village and back

along the river front.

The event continues each hour until the last runner ‘taps out’, with the race finishing when Gore ran his last lap at midnight on Saturday night.

“The numbers of competitors were bang on what we were hoping for,” Mr Kaesler said.

“By the time we came to 24 hours, we still had nine runners in.”

Locals Deanna Hutchins, Naomi Miatke and Nadene Gillett all took part in the event.

Renmark’s Hutchins finished after nine laps and 60km, while Loxton’s Miatke and Gillett both finished after 16 hours, running a total of 107km and placing equal second in the women’s category.

“I was so impressed and actually, I was very proud,” Mr Kaesler said.

After a successful event, Mr



Competitors began a lap of the Hysterical Carnage Backyard Ultra in Loxton on Friday afternoon.
PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Kaesler said he was looking forward to bringing it back to Loxton, with planning already under way.

“We will commit for at least the next five years,” he said.

“Next year, the runners are going to run through the historical village.”

Mr Kaesler thanked the Loxton Waikerie council and locals for supporting the inaugural event.

“It was pretty amazing,” he said.

Mr Kaesler said he was proud to call himself a former Loxton local.

“We’ve never had that sort of welcome party anywhere,” he said.

“I’ve never had that much gratitude and appreciation of bringing an event to a regional area.

“When you have the welcome you do for an event like that, why wouldn’t we want to come back?”

Next year’s event will be held on Friday, November 11.

Sexting incident another public relations fail

FORMER Australian test cricket captain Tim Paine’s recent public fall from grace will forever be marked as another fail in the sporting authority’s inability to manage the message, one you’d think by now would be well versed.

Paine’s well-documented 2017 sexting actions between himself and a then-Cricket Tasmania staff member can only be described as shocking, and you don’t need to find another word to describe the subsequent actions from Cricket Australia.

Paine’s career has a lot of elements. From rising to form in the mid-2000s, the Tasmanian wicket keeper was hitting form at the right time, playing for the Apple isle when Australia’s greatest keeper, Adam Gilchrist, retired in 2008.

While Brad Haddin initially

By **LACHLAN WINNALL**
Riverland Broadcasters

took the gloves from Gilchrist, Paine got his chance in the Aussie side in 2010.

Early form looked promising, however a finger injury shortly afterwards saw him in the cricket wilderness, with many questioning if Paine would ever don the baggy green again.

A recall to the national side seven years later came from left field, however Paine held his own behind the stumps and proved to be a steady hand in a team featuring some elements of instability.

On a South African tour in 2018 when three genius Australian cricketers thought using sandpaper on a ball was

a good idea, Paine’s comeback went into hyper-drive when he was made the fill-in captain.

The final test of that South African series Australia was comprehensibly thumped. However, it was clear Cricket Australia wanted Paine at the helm of the new-look side, not knowing at the time of his sexting activity.

When the lewd messages were brought to the attention of Cricket Tasmania, and subsequently Cricket Australia in 2018, the fact that Paine remained at the helm until last Friday is staggering, even for the most non-cricket follower.

While it’s said an investigation was carried out and the then-captain was exonerated, the fact that staff at Cricket Australia knew and didn’t think the story would surface displays a sense of arrogance, or even a deluded sense of reality.

Sadly, this is something seen all too often in sport.

To coin a cricket phrase, getting on the front foot originally may have saved face somewhat in this situation for Cricket Australia.

However, the incident will now be placed in the seemingly growing textbook of Australian sporting authority public relations fails.

Credit must be given to Paine for leading the side after the incidents in South Africa, and restoring some faith in the national side – until the events of last week.

As for Paine saying he will still be available for selection, the astute cricket observer might say Tim’s glove work may be limited to Sandy Bay, rather than the SCG.

Cycling champ’s winning week

CLUB champion Lee Stevens enjoyed another outstanding week of riding, taking out the Riverland Cycling Club’s Monash criterium race last Wednesday, then backing up on the weekend by winning the mountain bike race.

At Monash, Stevens was simply too good for his rivals, with Phil Pfennig and Brett Anderson filling the placings.

Monash criterium races are held every Wednesday starting 6.30pm sharp. Stevens also won 80km mountain bike race last weekend.

Eight riders tackled the 2km circuit. The club will stage its Winkie road race this Sunday.

Monash criterium (17/11/21):
A grade – 1. L. Stevens, 2. P. Pfennig, 3. B. Anderson, 4. L. Rasheed, 5. S. Hardwick. B grade – 1. W. Champion, 2. K. Pietrolaj, 3. M. Gray, 4. S. Lahainer. C grade – 1. R. Strout, 2. M. Ryan, 3. B. Pfennig, 4. A. Ylia, 5. J. Stevens.

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60 off stick wins ambrose

AN excellent score of 60 off the stick, or 12 under par, was the winning mark at the Loxton Hotel Motel ambrose event held on the weekend.

A field of 18 teams from Berri, Barmera, Waikerie and Loxton took to the course, with the rain disappearing just as tee off was to commence.

The winning team – which managed birdies on holes 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 and 18 – comprised: Kym Rivett, Corey Foreman (Berri Golf Club), Ramon Thorne (Stirling Golf Club) and Shaun Harris (Loxton Golf Club).

AMBROSE RESULTS:

Winners: Kym Rivett, Corey Foreman (Berri Golf Club), Ramon Thorne (Stirling Golf Club) and Shaun Harris (Loxton Golf Club).
Runners-up: Steve Palat, Matthew Lewan, Greg Shields (Barmera Golf Club), Greg Morrison (Berri Golf Club) with a 62 off the stick.
A grade handicap winners: P. Morris, B. Paige, B. Palat, D. Tyler 64, nett 57.75. Runners-up: C. Wooldridge, Z. Wooldridge, A. Lodge, L. Gray 66, nett 59.25.
B grade handicap winners: A. Hutcheon, R. Kemble, M. McDonald, M. Kroehn 67 nett



Winners of the Loxton Hotel Motel ambrose event held last weekend Kym Rivett (left), Ramon Thorne, Shaun Harris and Corey Forman, with Shane Semmler, deputy chair of the Loxton Hotel. PHOTO: supplied

57.87.
Runners-up: J. Fisher, B. Butson, C. Voumard, B. Uren (Barmera Golf Club) 67 nett 58.87.
NTP: 5th R. Thorne, 12th T. Sawade , 15th A. Golding.
Long drives: Men’s A grade – R. Hogan. B grade – S. McKenzie. Women’s – J. J. Patching
Stableford, Saturday, November 13:
Winner, A grade J. Bently 39pts, runner-up K. Martin 38, M. Taylor, B. Proud 36, H. Kara-Ali 34. B grade, Chris Dittmar (Grange GC) 42, P. Andison 41, B. Albrecht 39s, C. Voumard, T. Pontt, G. Mudge, P. Rohrlach 37. NTP 2nd P. Steele 105cm, 5th C. Wooldridge 376cm, 12th M. Maczkowiack 432cm, 15th S. Semmler 133cm. Women, winner J. Sawade 38, runner-up S. Pannell 37. NTP S. Pannell 910cm.
Stableford, Wednesday, November 17:
Winner, P. Campbell 45, runner-up K. Martin 41, D. Forbes 39, G. MacInnes, P. Richardson 38, B. Rollbusch 37, A. Giles. NTP 2nd D. Unferdorben 361cm, 5th D. Forbes 180cm, 12th P. Campbell 277cm, 15th P. Campbell 17cm . Women, winner, M. Tyler 80, net 69; runner-up S. Grien 86, 72; S. Pannell 90, 73; Y. Tatt 110, 75. NTP D. Harman
Stableford, Saturday, November 20:
Women’s winner, S. Grein 37.

Lieven takes top Barmera golf honours midweek

BRUCE Lieven produced one of his finest rounds to win Barmera Golf Club’s mid-week stableford event last week.

Bruce, an ardent Carlton supporter, overcame the disappointment of losing full back Liam Jones to retirement earlier in the week, to post 41 points and win from long-time colleague Gino Tognon from Berri.

Tognon had 38 points on his 28 handicap to finish one ahead of Tyson Swanbury, who had 75 off the stick on his four handicap for 37 points.

Glenn Millard and Paul Wenman were next best on 36, just ahead of visitors Corey Foreman, ‘Rock’ Paige and Leo Price, as well as Colin Gladwin and Jason Bowers.

Poor weather reduced the field on Saturday significantly.

Bob Mudge won the event with a net 74, two ahead of Matt Morrell.

Trevor Hansen returned to form on Sunday with 37 points, just ahead of the in-form Morrell who had 36 and the returning Kym Sampson on 35.

Renmark, Barmera’s tight result highlights Wednesday pennant season

THE closeness of the Bowls Riverland Wednesday pennant season continued last week, with three of the four division one games going down to the wire.

A draw between Renmark and Barmera saw the former drop to second on the ladder, while Barmera moved from fifth to third on the table.

Cathy Topperwien led The Lawns to a 17-shot win over Monash and into top spot on the ladder.

Monash dropped from second to fourth. Bottom team Lyrup recorded an upset eight-shot win over Berri to keep its slim finals hopes alive, while Loxton defeated

Waikerie to move into fifth spot. The top two teams – The Lawns and Renmark – do battle today in round nine.

DIVISION ONE

Barmera 56 drew with Renmark 56.
G. Burns 17 lost to J. Trezise 23; C. Shugg 20 drew with S. Schulz 20; K. Melton 19 d J. Cooper 13.
The Lawns 72 d Monash 55.
C. Topperwien 31 d R. Potts 13; J. Knight 19 lost to J. Barnett 22; M. Spano 22 d S. Elsdon 20.
Lyrup 58 d Berri 50.
S. Lloyd 16 d K. Treloar 13; B. Howe 21 lost to M. Miller 24; R. Smith 21 d K. Tanner 13.
Loxton 59 d Waikerie 56.
M. Schutz 23 d D. Boehm 18; L. Kimber 15 lost to C. Davies 20; B. Mattner 21 d J. Strauss 18.

Wet weather hits top division

WET and wild weather forced last weekend’s entire round of Bowls Riverland Saturday pennants to be called off.

Some matches were abandoned in other divisions.

Renmark currently leads the division one table, ahead of Waikerie, while 2021/22 improvers Barmera and Berri round out the top four.

Loxton RSL, The Lawns Red and Loxton all remain well in the finals race.

In division two, Monash scored an upset 15-shot win over top side Waikerie.

RESULTS

DIVISION ONE

All matches abandoned
Points: Renmark 143; Waikerie 124; Barmera 95; Berri 79; Loxton RSL 64; The Lawns Red 56; Loxton 55; The Lawns 8.

DIVISION TWO

Lyrup 62 d Loxton 48.
S. Munro 21 d P. Kimber 14; L. Recchia 28 d H. Appleton 15; J. Wrigley 13 lost to T. Thurston 19.
Monash 70 d Waikerie 55.
M. Wood 24 d M. Boehm 16; S. Voigt 29 d R. Davies 16; S. Elsdon 17 lost to D. Thompson 23.
Berri 83 d Loxton RSL 39.
L. Knight 31 d S. Charles 11; J. Cresp 24 d E. Eagle

Loxton clubmates upset midweek frontrunners

LOXTON White got the jump on intraclub rival Loxton Red in Bowls Riverland midweek triples last Wednesday.

The 19-shot win moved Loxton White to four wins from eight games, while Loxton Red dropped to third spot on the ladder with just its second loss of the season.

Other winners on the day were Lyrup, Berri Blue, Barmera, Renmark Gold, The Lawns Red and Waikerie.

Lyrup 81 d Berri Red 72.
G. Jenke 22 d A. Gapco 17; L. Recchia 20 d L. Knight 17; C. Gamble 14 lost to J. Cresp 21;

12; W. Couzens 28 d P. Smith 16.
Barmera v The Lawns, Moorook v Renmark – matches abandoned.
Points: Waikerie 144; Lyrup 127; Moorook 117; Monash 111; Berri 107; Barmera 80; Renmark 69; The Lawns 69; Loxton 68; Loxton RSL 18.

DIVISION THREE

Renmark 68 d Loxton White 54.
R. Burns 20 lost to K. Brandsma 22; P. Symens 18 lost to J. Vaughan 24; G. Burns 30 d T. Altschwager 8.
The Lawns v Renmark, Lyrup v Waikerie, Berri Red v Berri Blue, Monash v Loxton Red – matches abandoned.
Points: Waikerie 138; Barmera 127; Loxton White 120; Loxton Red 97; Lyrup 93; Berri Blue 91; Renmark 84; Berri Red 69; Monash 46; The Lawns 45.

DIVISION FOUR

Waikerie Regents 48 d Loxton 28.
G. Lloyd 26 d N. Milich 10; C. Voigt 22 d D. Vaughan 18.
Barmera 54 d Waikerie Hornets 34.
T. Daelman 34 d E. Loughhead 10; K. Brown 20 lost to B. Nicholls 24.
Renmark v The Lawns Red, Moorook v The Lawns – matches abandoned.
Points: Barmera 129; Waikerie Regents 128; The Lawns Red 104; Loxton 82; Moorook 65; Renmark 63; The Lawns 51; Waikerie Hornets 50.

Waikerie 79 d Barmera Pelicans 76.

T. Strauss 16 lost to B. Tamblyn 19; D. Morely 19 drew with I. Lloyd 19; R. Mortimer 20 drew with R. Hams 20; N. Harcombe 24 d H. Robinson 18.
Loxton White 93 d Loxton Red 74.
R. Coombs 28 d G. Schulz 11; W. Harrison 22 lost to P. Kimber 29; T. Murch 13 lost to T. Thurston 19; D. Kimber 30 d G. Cockshell 15.

Points: The Lawns Red 201; Barmera 164; Loxton Red 162; Lyrup 140; Berri Blue 134; Renmark Gold 140; Waikerie 111; Loxton White 110; Berri Red 86; Loxton Blue 73; Renmark Green 65; Barmera Pelicans 65; Monash 64; The Lawns 63.

C. Pickering 21 d B. Warren 13; M. Szabo 26 d C. Vriends 25.
Waikerie 46 d The Lawns Red 27.
L. Burnett 21 d R. Christie 14; N. Dellazoppa 25 d M. Williams 13.
Loxton RSL 40 d The Lawns 27.
J. Smith 21 d L. Pinyon 12; A. Wall 19 d C. Haar 15.

Ladder	W	L	D	Agg	Pts
Berri Red	6	2	0	103	142
Moorook	6	2	0	94	141
Berri Blue	5	2	1	62	130
Barmera	5	3	0	-29	118
The Lawns	4	4	0	-19	96
Loxton	3	5	0	-1	76
Waikerie	3	5	0	-59	70
Loxton RSL	2	6	0	-27	53
Renmark	2	6	0	-72	52

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Local duo's 'big picture' footy role

TWO well-known locals are among the foundation members of a new football advisory body that aims to ensure the sport's sustainability in the region.

Trevor Norton and Martin Hill are among six people appointed to the SANFL's Regional Council for the Riverland, Murray and Mallee area – known as the Eastern Zone.

The council aims to look at "big picture" issues affecting local football, but also provide support for local leagues and clubs.

The local appointees were described as "quality candidates" by Riverland-based SANFL football operations co-ordinator Shane Uren.

"It's great to have those two on board," Mr Uren said.

"All six guys have been on commissions, have been presidents of club, and sit on different business boards and those sorts of things.

"We wanted to get some community-minded people together who understand community sport, predominantly footy, and the impact it has on the broader community, beyond the sporting sphere.

"So to have all these guys involved is pretty exciting."

Mr Norton is deputy mayor of the Loxton Waikerie council, but his



Locals Trevor Norton (inset, left) and Martin Hill are among the six members of a new football council charged with the responsibility of ensuring the sport remains sustainable. MAIN PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

football background includes being secretary/treasurer of the Riverland Junior Football League from 1997 to 2006, and president of the Moorook-Kingston Football Club from 2000 to 2008.

Co-host of 5RM's Sports Saturday since 2008, he has also been an RFL delegate, RFL independent commissioner and RFL tribunal

commissioner.

Mr Hill was Barmera-Monash Football Club president for eight years and was on the board for 11 years until 2017.

Mr Uren said the new group would meet for the first time in Murray Bridge next month, and that he and Riverland-based SANFL game development co-ordi-

nator Nick Dillon would attend all council meetings.

"We'll be there as non-voting officials," he said.

"At the first one the guys will elect a chair and we'll get the ball rolling from there.

"The group is tagged as being in an advisory capacity for the Community Football Commission, so

anything that supports the SANFL's strategic priorities and visions...

"But it will also be a resource for each of the affiliated leagues. So those leagues can go to the council and look for a bit of guidance... and take their recommendations on board."

Other group members are Mallee-based Andrew

Johnson, and River Murray Football League figures Mick O'Hara, Peter Dalwood and Shane Snell.

Mr Uren said the new council could have up to nine members.

"So if there's anyone out there still interested on getting on, they can certainly apply," he said.

- PAUL MITCHELL

Bulldogs unite under one logo

WUNKAR football and netball fraternities have further united under a new logo.

The Wunkar Football and Netball Club last week officially unveiled the new design, which features the words 'football' and 'netball' and will be used for the 2022 season onwards.

"We have been a football and netball club for a few years now and we thought it was time to have a logo that represented that," said club spokesperson Marc Worsfold.

"We pride ourselves on being inclusive out at the kennel, so making sure our logo involved all parts of our club was very important to us.

"We can't wait for next season to kick off and to be out representing our club with this new logo."

The RFL Independent competition has been under siege in recent times, with the withdrawal of Cobdogla for the 2022 season the latest setback. However, Mr Worsfold says Wunkar remains positive about the future and keen to embrace changes to ensure the club and the competition survive and thrive.

"The independent competition is looking at ways to be innovative (and) to be more family friendly is something our club is keen to be a part of," he said.

"We also have continued renovations to our kitchen to improve meals and game-day experiences."

Tom Wood will again coach Wunkar's football side in 2022 and Mr Worsfold said



●The new logo to be used by the Wunkar Football and Netball Club. IMAGE: supplied

the Bulldogs were keen to improve on their third-place finishing position this year.

"We want to get a taste of the ultimate success, especially after getting knocked out in the preliminary (final) in the last few years in the footy," he said.

"And coming up short in the grand final in the A grade netball."

Shelley Mawdsley is coaching Wunkar's A grade netball team, while Teresa Reichstein is doing the B grade.

In the Independent competition, football and netball fixtures are played at the same venue.

- PAUL MITCHELL

Demons land gun recruit for season 2022

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Joining Hodge at Berri in 2022 will be Eudunda-Robertstown star Jake Egel, who moved to the area recently to manage Reece Plumbing.

The 27-year-old forward also played at

Pooraka, where he won a club champion award and made the team of the year in 2018.

Berri Football Club recently appointed Clint Ridgway as its new senior coach for the 2022 season, replacing Brian Gates, who stepped down.



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Students take part in SAPSASA softball carnival

COMBINED teams from Renmark Primary and Renmark West Primary led the way at the recent Riverland SAPSASA district softball carnival.

Held at Glassey Park last Friday, Renmark and Renmark West entered combined teams in the event and lost only one game across the boys and girls divisions.

Berri’s boys team was the only team to account for the Renmark-based side, winning 25-15, but failed to win enough games to challenge for top spot.

Teams batted for 15 minutes each per match, started with loaded bases and scored

points both for their runs and opposition outs, resulting in some high scores.

Local senior players helped umpire on the day, while Riverland coaches Beth Hueppauff and Sue Jungfer were on hand on the day to keep an eye on any talented players for Riverland trials next year.

Loxton’s Joseph Bewley, Renmark’s Oliver Jabs, Berri’s Charli Muller and St Joseph’s Renmark’s Ajaad Arkan won Good Sport awards on the day.

BOYS
St Joseph’s Renmark One 17 d Berri 14.

Renmark/Renmark West 25 d Loxton 22.
St Joseph’s Renmark One 19 d St Joseph’s Renmark Two 13.
Berri 26 d Loxton 19.
Renmark/Renmark West 20 d St Joseph’s Renmark Two 19.
Loxton 21 d St Joseph’s Renmark One 17.
Berri 25 d Renmark/Renmark West 15.
Renmark/Renmark West 21 d St Joseph’s Renmark One 16.
St Joseph’s Renmark Two 17 drew with Berri 17.
Loxton 16 drew with St Joseph’s Renmark Two 16.

Ladder	W	L	D	F	A	Diff
Renmark/Renmark West	3	1	0	81	82	-1
Berri	2	1	1	82	68	14
St Joseph’s Renmark One	2	2	0	69	69	0

Loxton	1	2	1	78	84	-6
St Joseph’s Renmark	0	2	2	65	72	-7

GIRLS
Renmark/Renmark West 17 d Berri 11.
Berri 11 drew with Loxton 11.
Renmark/Renmark West 18 d St Joseph’s Renmark 9.
Berri 12 d St Joseph’s Renmark 9.
Renmark/Renmark West 14 d Loxton 13.
Loxton 13 d St Joseph’s Renmark 8.

Ladder	W	L	D	F	A	Diff
Renmark/Renmark West	3	0	0	49	33	16
Loxton	1	1	1	37	33	4
Berri	1	1	1	34	37	-3
St Joseph’s Renmark	0	3	0	26	43	-17

High scorers in futsal spotlight

A NUMBER of standout individual efforts on the court highlighted the latest round of Riverland futsal last weekend.

In the men’s competition, ABCDE FC continued its momentum with a dominant 18-4 win against That’s Cooked, with Evan Wade hitting the net five times.

It was a similar story in the women’s competition, with Parris Drakopoulos also scoring five goals in Chicks n Kicks’ 10-2 win against The Devil’s Avocado, while Tessie Mitchell recorded four in Banana Slug’s 8-1 win over BHC.

RESULTS MEN
ABCDE FC 18 d That’s Cooked 4.
Best: ABCDE FC – T. Pipinis, E. Wade. That’s Cooked – M. Rayner, C. Mitchell.
Goals: ABCDE FC – E. Wade 5, T. Pipinis, M. Barber 4, own goal 2, K. Barber Jr, R. Verrall, J. Pintilie. That’s Cooked – C. Ebert 2, S. Crouch, T. Mitchell.
The Wannabes 2 d Owens and the Gang 0.
Best: The Wannabees – J. Sandhu, L. MacKinnon. Owens and the Gang – J. Botten, E. Hoffmann.
Goals: The Wannabees – A. Johal, own goal. Owens and the Gang – nil.
The Other Mob 5 d Young God FC 0.
Forfeit.

WOMEN
Chicks n Kicks 10 d The Devil’s Avocado 2.
Best: Chicks n Kicks – R. Hronopoulos, P. Drakopoulos. The Devil’s Avocado – D. Ebert, C. Formby.
Goals: Chicks n Kicks – P. Drakopoulos 5, J. Grace 3, L. Quinn 2. The Devil’s Avocado – R. Payne 2.
Banana Slugs 8 d BHC 1.
Best: Banana Slugs – S. Maheswaran, T. Mitchell. BHC – I. Coleman, J. Lewis.
Goals: Banana Slugs – T. Mitchell 4, M. Mitchell, G. Skilton 2. BHC – C. Turner.

MIXED
It Just Got Messi 8 d Tastes Like Chicken 7.
Best: It Just Got Messi – R. Verrall, C. Turner. Tastes Like Chicken – C. Mitchell, M. Rayner.
Goals: It Just Got Messi – M. Barber, R. Verrall 3, C. Turner. Tastes Like Chicken – C. Mitchell, T. Mitchell 2, M. Rayner, J. Mitchell, T. Mitchell.
The Odd Mob 8 d Banana Slugs 2.
Best: The Odd Mob – M. Lockwood, R. Payne. Banana Slugs – P. Cooper, A. Coombe.
Goals: The Odd Mob – R. Payne 3, J. Kim, A. van

Pamelen 2, M. Lockwood. Banana Slugs – J. Coombe, R. Skilton.
Pimms Parade 7 d Purple Reign 0.
Best: Pimms Parade – E. Wade, P. Drakopoulos. Purple Reign – A. Garoufalis, S. Atkins.
Goals: Pimms Parade – E. Wade 3, P. Drakopoulos 2, T. Schrapel, B. Guppy. Purple Reign 0.

UNDER 16
Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets 17 d Fake Madrid 5.
Best: Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets – T. Mitchell, C. Ebert. Fake Madrid – A. Son, K. Kahlon.
Goals: Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets – C. Ebert 11, T. Mitchell 5, R. Milne. Fake Madrid – A. Son 4, K. Kahlon.
Malcolm 18 d Nerds FC 5.
Best: Malcolm – S. Vallelonga, C. Battams. Nerds FC – H. Smith, L. Perram.
Goals: Malcolm – R. Verrall 9, S. Vallelong 4, C. Battams 3, M. Eleftheriadis, N. Vallelonga. Nerds FC – Z. Hronopoulos, L. Perram 2, T. Faehrmann.

UNDER 14
Indoor Ballers 11 d McChicken Nuggets 1.
Best: Indoor Ballers – S. Williams, M. Perre. McChicken Nuggets – M. Bourton, L. Perre.
Goals: Indoor Ballers – M. Perre 5, S. Williams 2, J. Perram, B. Tsakarellos, S. Perre, W. Marks. McChicken Nuggets – M. Bourton.
Hatrick Swayze 5 d The Red Devils 4.
Best: Hatrick Swayze – J. Krendl 3, D. Hronopoulos, B. Pankhurst. The Red Devils – B. Lock, N. Meimetis, A. Robertson, L. Ivanovic.

UNDER 12
Blues Brothers 15 d Wild Fire 1.
Best: Blues Brothers – E. Vincent, J. Hunter. Wild Fire – J. Peltz, K. Krendl.
Goals: Blues Brothers – J. Hunter 5, J. Garoufalis 3, J. Sweet, E. Vincent 2, K. Ogle, J. Ingerson, E. Bascomb. Wild Fire – B. Walkley.
Block It Like It’s Hot 19 d Black Cats 2.
Best: Block It Like It’s Hot – Z. Hronopoulos, R. Kiposkgei. Black Cats – L. Perram, B. Perram.
Goals: Block It Like It’s Hot – R. Kiposkgei 10, N. Vallelonga 3, Z. Hronopoulos, A. Ielasi, P. Efthimiou 2.

UNDER 12 GIRLS
McChicken Nuggets 15 d Blue Bombers 0.
Best: McChicken Nuggets – M. Mitchell, L. Perre. Blue Bombers – M. Pitt, T. Hunt.
Goals: McChicken Nuggets – M. Bourton, M. Mitchell, L. Perre 4, A. Perry 2, H. Beames. Blue Bombers – nil.
Rebels 4 d Tomato Pugs 3.
Best: Rebels – C. Formby, G. Abela. Tomato Pugs – R. Wishart, B. Kaur-Mavi, A. Kondoprias.
Goals: Rebels – C. Formby 2, M. Lock, K. Bertram. Tomato Pugs – B. Kaur-Mavi, G. Kaur.

Pirates youngsters come of age

THE young Riverland Pirates came of age in Riverland baseball on Friday night, with the development team picking up a terrific come-from-behind win over Renmark.

After Renmark piled on six runs in the opening innings, the young Pirates team could have been forgiven for throwing in the towel.

However, three runs of their own at the bottom of the first kept the Pirates in the game and a scoreless second innings for both teams saw them grow in confidence.

A six-run third innings, featuring hits to Hayden Johns and Jamie Frazer, saw the Pirates charge home for a 9-6 victory.

Friday night’s other game saw Berri overcome a 4-7 deficit to win by a solitary run.

After Berri Blue scored three runs in the fourth and final inning, Berri Red trailed by three but stormed home.

Earlier, Jesse Stemberger pitched well for Red to give them the early lead, but a change on the pitching mound for Blue changed the game as Steven Goldspink kept things close.

Tony Halupka picked up a triple for Berri Red, while Stemberger hit a double.

RESULTS

Inn	1	2	3	T
Renmark	6	0	0	6
Pirates	3	0	6	9

Safe hits: Pirates – H. Johns, J. Frazer. Renmark – N. Kombarakis 2, H. McDonald, J. Rudd.

Inn	1	2	3	4	T
Berri Blue	2	0	2	3	7
Berri Red	3	1	0	4	8

Safe hits: Berri Red – C. Vowles, J. Stemberger, C. McKinnon, T. Halupka. Berri Blue – J. McGregor, K. Taylor, L. Sutherland, D. Heinicke.



Steven Goldspink pitched well for Berri Blue.
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Demons land gun recruit

BERRI Football Club has landed a recruiting coup, signing former under 18 All-Australian Matthew Hodge for the 2022 RFL season.

Hodge is a multiple SA Country representative who played a couple of league games for South Adelaide, and trained with AFL club Port Adelaide.

He toured Ireland with the national under 18 side in 2002, but injured his thumb in a tour match, harming his chances of playing at AFL level.

Announcing the news on the weekend, Berri said via social media it was “extremely excited” to welcome Hodge, who was described as a “high flyer” when winning Jervois Football Club’s best and fairest award several years ago.

His footballing CV is impressive. It includes winning a River Murray Football League medal, three A grade premierships at Morphet Vale, four club best and fairest awards, captaining Victor Harbor Football Club and being named SA Country captain.



Highly credentialled Matthew Hodge will line up for Berri in the 2022 RFL season.
PHOTO: Berri Football Club

“‘Hodgey’ is an extremely well-credentialled footballer who spent last year playing at Nangiloc Football Club,” the club stated.

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Ultra successful event to return

ORGANISERS are thrilled with the success of the inaugural Hysterical Carnage Backyard Ultra in Loxton last weekend, when competitors had to cover 6.7km an hour.

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Hysterical Carnage Backyard Ultra competitors make their way up the Cliffside of ‘Heaven’ at Loxton. About 50 competitors began at 10am on Friday morning and the last runner finished at midnight on Saturday. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson


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New Listing



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Christmas in Loxton

ALREADY known as the Riverland's Christmas town, Loxton will take its festive spirit to the next level this year.

This year, the Loxton Lights Festival is celebrating 30 years and promises to be a celebration of fun and colour.

Its month-long festival will feature activities galore, brilliant lights

displays and extended trading hours for all your Christmas shopping needs.

As part of the Loxton Lights Festival, which runs from November 27 to December 31, old favourite fixtures like Christmas Wonderland, Santa's Walk and Bike the Night will delight locals and visitors yet again.

A special feature this year will

be the Shine event, which is a fully illustrated and animated Christmas lights spectacular to be projected onto St Peter's Lutheran Church.

Take a wander down East Terrace and be enchanted by the street's trees lit up with a magical light show. Or take a walk around town and see how the Loxton community fulfils its mission to beautifully

decorate local homes.

Christmas Wonderland is always a highlight and a favourite among families from across the entire Riverland.

Santa's Walk comprises dozens of homes decorated to perfection and well worth a visit.

So, make sure you spend some time in Loxton this Christmas.



Light Up Day

Shops will be open from 9am to 7pm, while Father Christmas will also be in town for children to share their Christmas wishes.

The Ferris wheel will return to East Terrace from 10am right through until 10pm, while the library will house story and craft sessions at selected times. The firework spectacular will get under way at the Loxton Oval at 9pm, with gates open from 7pm.

Christmas Wonderland

With illuminated displays and festive light stretching over 250 metres, Christmas Wonderland is exactly as wondrous as it sounds. This privately-owned display draws visitors from all over the Riverland and beyond. Experience the magic and create lifelong memories with your family during the festive season. Christmas Wonderland is a 'must see' while in Loxton.

8.30pm to 11pm every night from November 27 to December 31.

Shine, Little Town Christmas

St Peter's Lutheran Church will be home to a beautiful Christmas feature. Shine is a fully-illustrated and animated Christmas Lights spectacular, projected onto the face of the church.

From 8pm every night from Friday, December 17 to Friday, December 24. The projection will be on rotation, while the event will feature food and market stalls, artistic displays and music.



Santa's Walk

A group of locals have long lit up the streets of Loxton, leading to what is now known as Santa's Walk. Families can experience the captivating Christmas lights along Hilbig Street - where the trail begins - and its surrounds.

Community Carols

Get the family together for Loxton's very own Carols by Candlelight. The combined churches of Loxton invite you to come together and sing along to your favourite carols at the town oval on Bookpurnong Terrace.

From 7pm on Sunday, December 12. BYO chairs, rugs, candles, lanterns and torches. Event will be cancelled in the case of inclement weather.

Bike the Night

If you're looking for a different way of viewing all the wonderful Loxton lights display then look no further than Bike the Night. Bring your family to Heritage Park to decorate your bikes or scooters (and yourself) with free glow sticks before riding off to explore the streets in and around Santa's Walk. Then return to enjoy refreshments from Little Miss Daisy Pop Up Caravan. Weather permitting. Sunday, December 19, from 8pm.

Christmas Nostalgia

Take a step back in time and re-live Christmas traditions over many decades at the Christmas Nostalgia display in the Loxton Newsagency. It is a colourful, historic display of all things Christmas, from goose feather and novel trees to unique decorations and toys. Permanently displayed in the Loxton Newsagency, 12 East Terrace, during normal trading hours.

Festival Ferris Wheel

What better way to experience the magic of Loxton than from a Ferris wheel? To celebrate the first week of the Christmas Lights Festival you can ride the Ferris wheel in East Terrace. Take in the unique and spectacular views of the Murray River and surrounds by day, or enjoy the romance and magic of Loxton's Christmas lights by night.

Murray Street crossover, East Terrace from Saturday, November 27, to Sunday, December 5. 6pm-10pm weeknights, 10am-late on weekends.

Peace, Joy and Merry

Three giant words that capture the meaning of Christmas are lit up every night creating a gorgeous 'photo-worthy' addition to the centre of town. East Terrace lawns, above the Sturt Memorial. Best viewing times are between 8.30pm to 11pm, November 27 to December 31.

Loxton Light Show

The avenue of trees in the centre of East Terrace become the feature of a magical light show every night. Thirty large spotlights illuminate the trees, creating a beautiful sequence of colour and movement. Viewing times are 8.30pm to 11pm every night from November 27 to December 31.

Craft Fair

The Christmas Craft Fair will feature a variety of local, handcrafted and baked goods. Unique Christmas gifts are a specialty at the fair. Loxton RSL Hall, Tobruk Terrace. Admission is free. Sunday, November 28, 10am to 3pm.

Christmas Tree Festival

Celebrating 25 years, the Christmas Tree Festival is a delightful display of trees, decorated by local community groups and schools.

Gold coin entry. CWA Hall, Kokoda Terrace. Open daily from 11am to 4pm, November 27 to December 12.

Santa's Workshop

Children can visit Father Christmas in his magical workshop and receive a free gift. 9am to 7pm Saturday, November 27. Also, from 10am to 2pm on Sunday, December 5, Sunday, December 12 and Sunday, December 19. Riverland Motor Group, 1 East Terrace, Loxton. Professional photos available on Light Up Day.

Shop local this Christmas

The Loxton Chamber of Commerce invite you to shop local this year and enjoy Loxton's bustling shopping precinct. Regular shopping hours Monday to Friday and Saturday to midday. Special Sunday trading on the 5th, 12th and 19th from 10am to 2pm. For further information visit the website (loxtonchamber.com.au).



2021 Loxton LIGHT UP DAY

SATURDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

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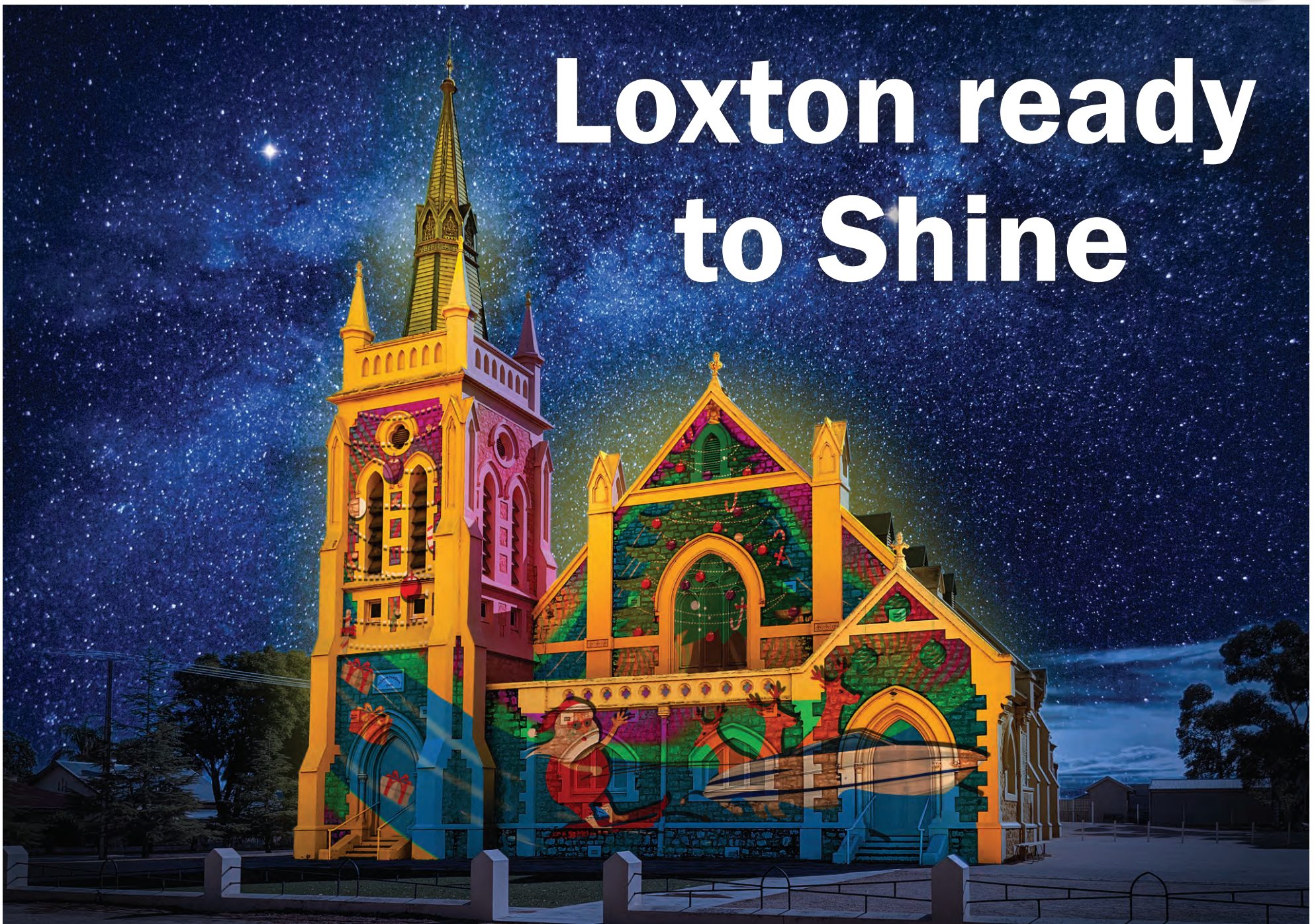
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Loxton ready to Shine



Loxton's Christmas celebrations will get an extra boost this year with a special festive animation for all to enjoy.

Little Town Productions will present Shine, a large-scale animated projection at St Peter's Lutheran Church in the lead-up to Christmas.

Little Town Productions' John Gladigau encouraged people to view the animation, which will begin on Friday, December 17 and be held each night until Christmas Eve.

"It's a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community and get out and celebrate Christmas and everything the region has to offer," he said.

"In that eight minutes (of the animation), we've gone out of our way

to make sure it is really reflective of Loxton and the Riverland region.

"People are going to be so proud to see something so amazing that we've been able to do in Loxton that you'd normally have to travel to a city to see."

Mr Gladigau said the event was perfect for current circumstances.

"Everyone gets to stand outside and social distance, but still get to share the Christmas message and celebrate everything that Loxton is about at the same time," he said.

"We have been doing a major Little Town Production every couple of years and I think partly because of Covid, we knew couldn't do the type of production that we have done in the past."

Little Town Productions held its first

production in 1999, with a number of Easter and Christmas performances since.

Mr Gladigau said Shine would be a testament to Little Town Productions' history.

"Little Town has always been about identifying skills, elevating talent and allowing people to showcase them," he said.

"We are using local artists who have been part of the project and our musical director from Little Town, Karyn Skewes, is the musical director for Shine as well.

"She has actually created the whole music for the whole eight minutes of the show."

Desiree Frahn, who is a principal

artist to State Opera South Australia, starred in Little Town as a teenager and assisted with Shine.

"One of Little Town's favourites from over the years, Desiree Frahn, actually features on the Shine soundtrack," Mr Gladigau said.

As a free community event, Shine will create a spectacular finale to the 30th anniversary of the Loxton Lights Festival.

The Shine experience will include food and market stalls, artistic displays and musical entertainment before and after each of the multiple projections each night.

Shine will be held each night from Friday, December 17, to Friday, December 24. Gates open at 8pm.

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Shop in Loxton this Christmas



AFTER a tremulous year for many, locals are being reminded about the importance of shopping locally – now more than ever.

Loxton offers a variety of shops, which are local and independently owned in its village-style precinct.

Loxton Chamber of Commerce president Deb Petch said she has no doubt that all Christmas shopping can be done in Loxton – even for hard-to-buy-for people.

“Light Up Day marks the start of the Christmas Lights Festival, but it also marks the start of seven days of trading in Loxton until Christmas,” she said.

“We would love it if everyone could just buy one more Christmas gift from a local store.

“That makes a huge difference if you just buy one more gift locally than outside the region. It would really help the town and the Riverland.”

Ms Petch said Loxton is a dynamic shopping hub.

“We need to support our own small businesses,” she said.

“There are lots of parks and you can grab something to eat too.”

On Light Up Day on Saturday, November 27, shops will open from 9am right through to 7pm.

“Shoppers will be able to get some great ideas for Christmas,” Ms Petch said.

“Because most of our shops are independently run and family owned, you get

really unique Christmas gifts.

“You shouldn't be afraid to ask them to get something in.”

For hard-to-buy-for family and friends, Ms Petch said the Loxton Gift Voucher was a popular option for all occasions.

“You can use the voucher at any of our chamber member stores – that's over 150 shops to choose from,” she said.

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SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE LOXTON GIFT VOUCHER, NEARLY \$500,000 HAS BEEN INVESTED BACK INTO THE LOCAL ECONOMY...

“Not many vouchers can give you that much freedom of choice. They are really handy.

“The most important thing is that all of that money goes back into our member businesses, which is really great, especially at this time of year.”

Since the inception of the Loxton Gift Voucher, nearly \$500,000 has been invested back into the local economy.

Vouchers are available to purchase from the Loxton Library and Visitor Centre, or on the Chamber's website (loxtonchamber.com.au).

The non-refundable vouchers are valid for three years and are accepted on the basis of 'one voucher, one store, one purchase'.

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Celebrating 30 years

LOXTON is celebrating 30 years of its locals decorating their homes for the festive season.

In the late 1970s, Doug and Heather Falland (now both deceased), began decorating their 80ft TV tower with lights and also created a Christmas display in the front of their Hilbig Street home.

The Fallands' enthusiasm was infectious and before long their neighbours began decorating their homes and gardens as well.

The enthusiasm grew from there, with more and more people throughout the town starting to light up their homes and creating garden displays.

Each year there is always something

new to see and currently over 350 garden and light are displayed.

Locals and visitors alike can soak up the festive atmosphere by a drive or a walk around the town.

In the mid-1980s, Peter Mangelsdorf was inspired to start a small Christmas display known as Christmas Wonderland.

The 250m frontage of Mr Mangelsdorf's property is filled with a magnificent display of Christmas lights and images, ranging from Bethlehem scenes to popular characters dressed for the festive season.

In 1991, due to a large influx of visitors during this festive time, the

Loxton Christmas Lights Committee was formed. It co-ordinates many of the Christmas events, along with the Chamber of Commerce.

The committee works throughout the year, planning and maintaining a large majority of the displays.

Loxton Christmas Lights Committee secretary Connie Dziwoki said Loxton is well-known for its festive spirit.

"There's just so many volunteers and so many people in the community that really contribute to the event," she said.

"The community all put in their own efforts with lighting up their houses that just brings everything together to create Loxton as the Christmas town."

Ms Dziwoki said Loxton's community spirit enabled the success of the event each year.

"It's not just about one committee putting out pictures," she said.

"It's about others decorating the streets, people putting up the Christmas tree in the middle of the roundabout, the shops decorating their own windows and people decorating their houses.

"All of these efforts create such a significant event and attraction for our town."

Past and present members of the Loxton Christmas Lights Committee will gather on Friday night to celebrate the 30-year anniversary.



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Keep the kids occupied (and happy) this festive season

LOXTON will have plenty for children to see and do this festive season to ensure the magic of Christmas lives on.

While there will be plenty to see and do on Light Up Day, the Christmas spirit will continue right through December.

Children can visit Father Christmas in his magical workshop and receive a free gift.

Father Christmas will be available at his Riverland Motor Group home all day on Light Up Day, as well as Sundays in December from 10am to 2pm.

Bike the Night will be on again this year and offers a great way to see the Loxton Christmas lights.

Children and their families can meet at Heritage Park and decorate bikes or scooters with free glow

sticks, before riding off to explore the streets in and around Santa's Walk.

On return, refreshments from the Little Miss Daisy Pop Up Caravan, including smoothies, milkshakes, ice-cream, coffee, cakes and doughnuts, will be available.

The event will take place on Sunday, December 19, from 8pm.

Throughout the month-long festival, wander through the Christmas Tree Festival and see the display of trees decorated by local community groups and schools.

This year's theme is 'Christmas Magic... What I love about Christmas'.

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Light Up Day returns

SATURDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

LOXTON'S Light Up Day will make a welcome return this year, with plenty of colour and fireworks promised.

After a one-year hiatus due to Covid-19, Loxton's Light Up Day is returning to celebrate 30 years of the festival.

Loxton Chamber of Commerce business and events manager Sonya Altschwager said this year's fireworks spectacular would be held at the Loxton Oval, making it easy to comply with Covid-19 regulations.

"We just really felt it was important to give the community an opportunity to come together, especially at this significant time of year," she said.

"We have captured all of the things that people love about Light Up Day."

The day will kick off with Loxton shops opening from 9am, and trading right through until 7pm.

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WE JUST REALLY FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO GIVE THE COMMUNITY AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME TOGETHER, ESPECIALLY AT THIS SIGNIFICANT TIME OF YEAR...

Loxton is home to a thriving, village-style main street and local shops are sure to have gifts for the special people in your life.

While wandering through the independent and family-run businesses, Father Christmas will also be in town from 9am.

Children can visit Father Christmas in his magical workshop at 1 East Terrace,

Loxton (Riverland Motor Group) and receive a free gift.

"You won't be able to sit on Santa's knee, but you will still absolutely be able to tell him what your Christmas wishes are and what you'd like for Christmas," Ms Altschwager said.

The Ferris wheel will also return this year and is sure to be a family favourite once again.

People are also encouraged to take up a special offer to celebrate Light Up Day.

If you shop local on Saturday, November 27 and show your receipt, you get two tickets for the price of one.

The Ferris wheel will be at the Murray Street crossover from 10am to 10pm on Light Up Day and at various times in the following week.

"We are pleased to have the Ferris wheel back for the first week of the festival," Ms Altschwager said.

A Christmas story and craft session will be held at the Loxton Library and Visitor Centre with sessions at 10.30am and 11.30am, with bookings essential.

Last but not least, Light Up Day will finish with a fireworks spectacular, marking the start of the Loxton Lights Festival.

This year's fireworks will be held at the Loxton Oval.

Exciting new entertainers Boomstars will be entertaining the children this year and are sure to be a hit with all ages.

The event is ticketed and gates will open at 7pm, with entertainment from 8pm and fireworks at 9pm.

Tickets are essential. For more information, visit the website (loxtonlights.com).



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✚ Hospital

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East Terrace is a vibrant and thriving village-style main street with a diverse range of speciality shops and services. Many independent and family-run small businesses offer a unique Christmas shopping experience.

During Sunday trading days you can also visit Santa in his workshop or enjoy the Christmas Craft Table in the Loxton Library & Visitor Centre.



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